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Lincoln High Newsletter

Memories of then! News of now!

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Editor's pet peeves!

#1 - Readers that hit the "reply to" button when they have the newsletter on their screen! Please don't send me back the same newsletter that I sent to you! Too many bytes tying up the net and it takes forever to download when I'm in Cambridge with a "dial-up" ISP! Send your separate reply to kvasby@wctc.net or kvasby@smallbytes.net instead!

#2 - Readers that don't include their name, maiden name, or graduation class when they write to me! With 1800+ foks receiving the newsletters that I send out, it would really help me out if you included them! Trying to make out who sent what with just an e-mail address gets very tedious! Please also include the name of the city where you are living now! That will enable Alums in "your neck of the woods" to contact you!

#3 - Readers that send me "forwarded, forwarded, forwarded" e-mails to the Nth degree! I have to open 1, 2, 3, 4+ messages to finally get the "message"! Go to the original and forward that if you think it important! **Editor now automatically deletes any message with with more than "one" forward!**

Editor's note: Judy and I celebrated our 35th anniversary last Saturday.
Gee, I wish both of us looked the same today as when we got married!



I was instantly attracted to her when we met! This is the girl I want to marry ! And I relentlessly pursued her until she said, "Yes"! We met in February of 70 and got married in August!

Then and now!



Bob Schmidt (65) 1chopper@charter.net writes:

Hi Vasbys, and all:

Just a couple of thoughts regarding comments in the most recent newsletter of 8/4/05.

Linda Mitchell, you weren't the only one that was told, "you don't have it". The counselor you're thinking

of may have had the last name of Johnson, and he told me to not think about going to "Madison" , "based on what you've shown us so far", have you thought about going to "Barber School". As I left his office, Francis Mcnarin? pulled me aside and said I hope you're going **on** to school - which I did and the rest is history. Today, more than ever, kids don't know their potential. The worst thing we can do is to tell them to be safe and "aim low".

The second memory I had from the last news letter is for **Roger Fritz**. Do you remember - "how can you forget"?, being decked by another guy with the last name of Fritz in Buzz's bar one night. Sorry Rog, but it was one of those unforgettable moments when I just happened to be leaning against the bar, facing outwards and surveying the pool tables when he cold cocked you and you had a great "hang time" and then dropped like a rock. Looking forward to the reunion **Bob Schmidt**

Editor sent the note to Linda Mitchell and Roger Fritz for a response. They replied:

I honestly don't remember that happening?? The only other Fritz I knew then was Mike Fritz and I always had a good opinion of Mike. Something like that would have likely changed my opinion of him. I do remember Arnie Tucs giving me a good shot once but that was in the stomach and at the hang out next to the Wisconsin Theater (the name eludes me at the moment) I kept my feet but suddenly lost my appetite. I'll need to talk to Bob about this. Maybe I have more dead brain cells than I thought?

Roger

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Hello Kent,

Thanks for the fwd from Bob Schmidt. If my counselor was Johnson I wonder if he made a habit of discouraging those who weren't high performers in high school. (Some of us just didn't have home lives that allowed for study time at night. For me additionally, I was awakened many times at night with "Linda, come down here, I am dying, I'm dying". Doesn't make for much rest and ability to be attentive at school!)

Heard from a '64 grad who is living in San Diego. Look forward to talking with her soon.

Already have heard from a classmate with info on things to do/places to eat in the Flint area. (Hope I don't gain 10 lbs in the week of traveling before I get to the reunion (smile).

What a nice turn out for the reunion! Hope more locals will come. (Thursday night we should all start dialing and have multiple classmates on the phone calling each local asking them to come -smile. Making them know how much they are really wanted!) ("You can lead a horse to the water but you can't make them drink- but my Dad always said, 'ya, but you can sweeten the water to make it more tempting." smile

Till next time, Blessings! **Linda**

Gene Hafermann's (65) genehafermann@charter.net daughter has a website - <http://www.hollybrookmusic.com/>

Kent, Linda (Mitchell) Leitzke wrote in last week's paper looking for a place to see on her trip back to Wisconsin. One interesting place to see if she has not seen it is **THE HOUSE ON THE ROCK** down by Madison at Spring Lake.

CHUCK HETZE (65) hetze@alaska.net

Paul Miller (65) paul_miller@sympatico.ca writes:

Hi Kent,

My email service has been down for the last week and more. We were gone last week so I was not able to fix it. It is up and running now.

We visited family for a short while in Rapids. I took some pictures of things that have made an impression on me.



This is a photo of the stone wall that goes along First Street from the dam to the Elks club. An incredible amount of work and skill went into the building of that wall. According to Dave Engel, there were factories and businesses along there at one time. We can remember the block where J.C. Penney and the Sugar Bowl were. I am looking into finding out more about when and by whom the wall was actually built.

Paul Miller

Editor's note: The Fort Atkinson Class of 65 had its 40th reunion last weekend. As you all know, the Editor writes a newsletter for Fort High Alums from the Classes of 50 thru 65 (1200 readers in all). Anyway, one of the attendees at that reunion wrote the following for the Fort Newsletter. Judy and I both thought it had literary merit and we are including it in this week's LHS Newsletter as an example of the thoughts that a reunion of high school friends can foster.

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Bonnie (Turner) Zeman (FAHS 65) writes about the 40th reunion of the Class of 65 held this past weekend:

It was great to see all my old friends at the Reunion. What a great time. We looked in one another's faces and eyes and made a guess about who each one was.

It was too much fun. The anticipation seemed overwhelming for me from time to time. They were all so precious to me! Each one coming home and sharing their lives for 3 days!!! I appreciated that effort.

Rich Lenz gave me great joy when he had to check out my butt and see if it was the one he used to watch back in the days when "hormones were everything". It was still pretty good he said. He was so slick about it. It was official when Rich said it. He is so cute and he kissed nice when we were little and I did not throw away the ring he gave me.

Faces stand out as I recall the Reunion.

Ricky Schackett was fun to watch as he seemed overwhelmed with fun and joy from time to time. Something healing about watching him. He was my neighbor for years in Fort.

It was nice to see John Tuttle happy. Such a pretty little wife he has. We will always miss Diane and so happy for the years we had her. But John looked well and restored. It builds us all up when one comes through the storm and is happy again. It felt..."Life giving" to see him smile.

Barby Bell has NO YEARS on her....NONE. How did she do that?

Sue Ciaglo took over and at the OLD SCHOOL TOUR as she remembered the most about where everything used to be. She was so good at it that it seemed right that she should do it and we began to follow her. But I was the only one that remembered where the office used to be. DAMN!

Jack Barnes looks exactly the same in the face. He's kinda' like Eor or however you spell it. You know the little donkey that is so cute with Christopher Robbins. He still has that little whine "nothing ever works out for me". Cute as hell and it just makes you want to hug him and tell him "everything is going to be okay...you just wait and see".

Cutest of all was Ralls Mallotte. I just wanted to take him home in my suitcase and tell everyone that I found him. Finders - Keepers! I would just ask my husband if I could keep him for the rest of the summer and then give him back. He had such great laughter and he was so kind and gracious. He looked like a man but I just saw this little guy inside him and he made me laugh.

Penny Parker and Ellen Pattow are still buds and I'm glad. Ellen needs Penny and Penny needs Ellen. Like "mutt and jeff". "Nord" and I are still fighting the good fight. Some people are together forever. She knows all my secrets and to fight with her would be dangerous.

Mike Busse was an incredible philosopher and funny. Just gems of fun dripping from him. Light and caring...never wounding. He and Mike Vandre were such a pair. I find myself stopping to think each time they speak. "Now what did he just say...really?" Mike Busse just has a way of looking at things that's different and turns you around. I can't believe he's an accountant. What on earth for? Why not try "stand up humor"?

Some of my classmates had passed on and when we were saying goodbye, I felt hurt like it could be the last time for me or them. The connections are so deep. Five years is a long time.

My class made my life MORE. They gave me health emotionally when I was growing up. It was their laughter that healed me when I hurt. They went on each day as if they had every right to do so and that made me "keep on keeping on".

Jeff Humbach is a blessing. A committed man of God. He had my respect. Monica Heintz is a woman of the cloth also. I admired her.

Mike Vandre was cute but his wife was a little dickens. I know why they are together. You are blessed Michael!

There were those classmates who came in and gathered "the ones" about them and searched the room looking for someone more important to talk to. There was a time when that would destroy me but now I KNOW what that all means. A narrow and painful life of strife. Worry, fear and regret is at the end of that. You can see it in their faces. Sad, almost makes me cry. Life is never enough for them. No beauty or gratitude for the days, just strife.

Looking for someone noble....

Then I immediately thought about Bonnie Bullock and how she lives her life "out loud". Her journey has been "life-giving" to all. God bless you my sweet sister. I hope you find health for your life as you have everything else.

Pete Draeger....quiet and gentle. A man of peace. I wonder if it's peace at any price. Just wondering. (The reason I wonder is that he used to put up with an awful lot of crap from me!) I love you Pete.

Leaving for Chicago..this time I'm taking my shoes and jewelry. No shoes at my reunion!

Just more stuff!

Bonnie Turner
"Skipper"

Cary Winegarden writes:

Hi Everyone, This will be my last broadcast before the big event. I will be traveling to Rapids on Monday,

August 15th. Remember, you can still sign up for the Banquet, but will need to call me on my cell phone (214) 403-8440 after Sunday, August 14th. Before that you can still email me at winegaca@lavonweb.net If you get voice mail, leave your message and what you would like for your main course, steak or chicken, then bring your registration fee to the banquet and pay at the door. We want everyone to come. Remember also the "cash" events, which do not need a reservation: 1) the Golf Happy Hour Friday, 5-7 PM at the Ridges "Bunker" and 2) the Farewell Brunch Sunday 10:30 AM to about 12:30 at the Chalet Restaurant on 8th Street South. Come out and say hi to your classmates. They would like to see you.

Take Care, Stay Healthy and Live Well,
See you soon,
Cary Winegarden

PS. We have over 160 attendees registered so far. Great turn out !! Should be fun and memorable !!

Medical Minutes

Cinnammon can help control Type 2 Diabetes -

<http://www.ba.ars.usda.gov/research/cinnamon.html>

Eat Indian food and avoid Alzheimer's - <http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/health/1668932.stm>

