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Lincoln High Newsletter

Memories of then! News of now!

E-mail address changes:

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Editor's note: Got "zero" input for this week's newsletter! Will try to find some "filler"! Perhaps the **Class of 64** would be interested in this URL about **Susan (Rice) Hammel (65)** rohammel@usmo.com which they haven't seen! [What a husband!](#)

http://www.ikidney.com/iKidney/Community/PatientProfiles/Tab_2/HammelSusan.htm

From the newsletter of one year ago!

Editor's note: I finally got to see the film "*Escanaba in da Moonlight*". It was available as a rental in the local video store here in Wisconsin Rapids. It's about a "yooper" that has yet to shoot his first buck and he's 43 years old! Rather non-sensical at times but if you're from Wisconsin or the UP and are a deer-hunter, you'll probably enjoy it. Best viewed with a 6-pack of Leinenkugel or a bottle of brandy! See: <http://www.escanabathemovie.com/> **Editor's wife thought it was funny!**

Hi,

Greg and I also were at the Harley 100th Anniversary celebration last weekend and what a great event it was. The city went all out to welcome all the Harleys home and our friend said it best, "It was like a big love fest." It put new meaning to the term "The Brotherhood of Man". It's hard to say what was the best about it. We were also at the parade and at the Sunday night party. The fireworks were phenomenal, the sky looked like it was raining gold. The fitting end was coming into Libertyville at 1:30 am in the rain and being the only people on the road. We felt like the stealth riders - pretty cool. My husband and I have been raving about what fun we had ever since. Harley Davidson is truly the epitome of a successful company. What a family they have created.

Faith Curtis (65) faith@thepersonalpowercoach.com

From the newsletter of two years ago!

Judy (Ehlert) Brown JBbeachshells@aol.com writes:

Hi Kent & Classmates,

After enjoying reading about so many of my classmates, I am finally going to take the plunge and write a few words about my life.....and will try to keep it as brief as possible.

Bill Brown and I were married right after graduating from High School. After 14 years, (???? one loses track!) and 3 children later, we divorced. Our oldest daughter, Kristine is married to Karl Ginter and lives in the Town of Grand Rapids. She has 2 children, Ryan (8) and Brianna (3). Kris has just recently accepted the position of Town of Grand Rapids Treasurer, but will be the Deputy until April....so you people that live in the Town will probably see her when you pay your taxes!!

Dawn (33) is married to Curt Strouse and just moved from IA to Appleton, WI. She has 2 children, Lucas (10) and Lauren (7). Dan (33) is unmarried and has found life to be quite a challenge. He unfortunately has made some bad choices in his life and as of this writing is in the Portage County Jail in Stevens Point - not sure for how long. In fact, maybe some of you will see something in the newspaper, and let me know the whole story.....

After years of working at Consolidated Papers in the Transportation Department, I decided I wanted more out of life and went to college. I attended Alverno College, (private, all female school) in Milwaukee, WI. They had a nice weekend program that allowed me to keep working full time and go to school full time, so after 3-1/2 years of going to school every other weekend and actually living in a dormitory on those weekends, I graduated with a double major - BA in Business Management and Professional Communications. (A few years ago, I went back to school again and am also a licensed nail tech and am certified to do "permanent makeup" in WI and FL - guess I haven't figured out what I want to be when I grow up!) I eventually ended up spending most of the rest of my time in WI working for Conway Central Express as an Senior Account Executive which translates into "sales". By that time I was living in Appleton, WI and was on the road in my designated territory everyday.

I eventually met my fiancée, Tom. He and I bought a home together in Sheboygan, WI and lived there for almost 10 years. During those 10 years, we vacationed every winter on Captiva Island, FL. We loved it there and it was our "paradise". Every year it became harder and harder to come back to WI and the cold. Finally, in November 1999, we decided to look for employment here in FL. We found jobs, went back to WI and put our house up for sale. It sold in 3 days which told us this move was meant to be - everything was falling into place. We moved in January of 2000 and started out managing a motel in Fort Myers. It wasn't exactly what we wanted to do, but it got us to FL! After a year of the motel business, we moved to Naples, FL and are now managing an 80-unit condominium on the beach. What a great place to live! I walk the beach or do water aerobics in the pool "almost" every night! We went from the corporate world of having to wear dress suits, to our "new and improved" world of shorts and golf shirts! We are working for considerably less money, but the quality of our lives has improved so much - no more of the rat race, being on the road, getting up at 4 am, getting home at 10 p.m., meeting deadlines, quotas, etc.....That stress is gone from our lives!

Tom is still my fiancée. We have been engaged for 12 years. We have no wedding plans (no reason to rush into anything!), but am sure we will get there at some point in time. We are still die hard Packer fans and have purchased Direct TV so we can get all the games here in FL. We "suit up" in our green and gold for every game and cheer them on. Probably one of our most memorable experiences was the opportunity to go to New Orleans for Super Bowl XXXI and see the Packers beat New England. What an awesome experience. Two years ago, we went to Miami to see them play, but they lost :(to the Dolphins. We are still hoping to get tickets for a Tampa/Green Bay game one of these years...

After reading all the other life stories, I know realize, how hard it is to put your life in a "nutshell" - I feel

like I've rambled. Oh well, I finally did it! Hope some others will take the time and let us know where they are, where they've been and what they are doing. I think our next Class Reunion will be the best because of the work Kent and Judy have done to get us all together. I also keep my "Ahdawagam" close to the computer to look up names and faces - what fun!

Keep up the good work!

Judy