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Lincoln High Newsletter

Chad Lewis chad.a.lewis@comcast.net writes:

Here's a pic of my daughters, son-in-law and I "Steampunking" at the Dragoncon convention in Atlanta over Labor Day weekend with 30,000 other slightly demented souls. I'm the one on the right, in case you haven't figured that out. Please note the stained-glass fairy wings on my daughters. If you don't know what Steampunk is you can Google it.



Hi Kent,

It's funny you should ask about old phone numbers. I have a terrible memory, but I remember those numbers very well and use them as my passwords in some combination all of the time.

All of us kids on 14th Avenue North wore roller skates that clamped on with a key and skated up and down the cracked sidewalks day after day. I continued to skate at rinks throughout my adult life. It was one of our favorite things to do when I first met my husband. My kids loved it too, but were way more into speed than I was. I'll never forget how proud I was when I learned to skate backwards. Skating at the old wooden rinks was also a favorite pastime for my dad, who was a very good skater.

I remember the Fourth of July parades on Grand Avenue. Sometimes my mom would rent us costumes and we would take part in the parade. I remember my brother as Uncle Sam and a neighbor of ours as the Statue of Liberty. For some reason, I was Raggedy Ann, I guess cuz the costume was red, white and blue. My younger sister has cerebral palsy and has been in a wheelchair all her life. She was very frightened of parades (the loud bands and fire engines mostly) and also of fireworks.

So we spent a lot of time comforting her during the parades. I also remember marching in the parades in the high school band in those hot red wool blend coats and white pants, oh, and the tight hat. But we were always proud to be in the awesome Lincoln High marching band.

Thanks for triggering some great memories once again. I was thinking maybe my recall was getting to be almost as good as Chuck Hinnners until I realized that one of the signs of dementia is increased long term memory and deprivation of short term. What did I have for lunch 3 days ago? Hmmmmm.....

Love and blessings to all....

Mary (Dhein) Bauss (65) - marybauss@yahoo.com

Just want to say what a great class reunion in Aug. It was wonderful to see so many faces and talk to so many people..Lenore you did a really good job..Hope to see everyone at the 50th...That can't be possible everyone looked to young.....

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Susan (Rice) Hammel Gourmay1@gmail.com responds to this week's topics:

1. **Odors/smells** that bring back memories. This is so random I hate to even mention it, BUT.....I swear the basement (Fellowship Hall) in every Methodist church I have ever attended smells the same.....which is like, my Gramma Rice's little tiny Methodist church in Negaunee, Michigan (UP)..... I think it is a combination of saffron buns and pasties. Ed note: Just leftover "Church of the Casserole" smells - or is that a trademark of Lutheran churches?
2. **First love, first kiss, first break-up.** Probably hard to write about. Would be for me. All is still vivid in my mind. No comment :)
3. **First car accident.** My husband taught me to drive, don't remember first one, haven't had many though
4. **Helping your dad if he was self-employed.**
5. **Prom dresses.** Still got yours? Still fits? My mom made me a two piece brown gingham dress.....for sure no one had one like it.....
6. **Your favorite baby sitter was?** She let you get away with murder? Rich and I had an "ancient" woman who would put 4 peanuts (from the blue can) in her mouth and chew them all night to make sure she didn't choke.
7. **Ironing clothes.** Does anyone do that any more? Editor ironed & starched his own USAF uniforms (505's) back in the early 60's before they switched to "wash n wear 1505's". I iron most everything, my girl's don't own one (and they look like it) Did Ron's white "corporate" shirts all those years because I was too cheap to send them out!
8. **Rolling Stones concerts** or other rock concerts you attended back in the 60's. Janis Joplin, Denver, 1967.....that's all I am saying.

Chuck Hinners chuck@crgfinancialconsulting.com writes:

Baby Sitters

I guess part of the disadvantage of being an only child was needing a "sitter". My mother knew that left to my own devices I would eat all the candy in the house, then try to bake a chocolate cake, oatmeal raisin chocolate chip cookies, leave the oven on, and burn the house down. I'd say helluvanaccomplishment for a third grader.

Enter Nellie Ann Trewyn, older sister of Tom Trewyn who would have been LHS 65 had he not moved to Joplin, Missouri on May 29, 1957 when his father Vic was transferred to run HFC's southwest Missouri office.

Nellie Ann was 7 years older than we were and probably hot had I known what that meant at age 9. Her sister Patsy looked more like her red-headed brother and had pigtails to boot. The Trewyn family lived in the house at the corner of 9th and Chestnut on the east side of 9th Street. When they moved out Natwicks moved in.

Nellie Ann helped me understand high school math which my next door neighbor, Jerry Mrochek tried to teach me. Jerry was a math geek and also was a "sitter" from time to time when my mother had a church meeting and my dad

decided to head to Rollie's for a "little" drink. I watched Jerry doing square and cube root extractions on paper and bugged him to teach me until he relented. Since Jerry is way smarter than me, I needed a little extra help and Nellie Ann filled in admirably. She also taught me how to do compound interest problems which she no doubt learned from her dad.

Jerry graduated with a Math degree from CSC (Stevens Point) and taught math at Middleton High School for 30+ years. He and his wife Mary still live in Middleton as far as I know.

When the 5 Trewyns piled into their Buick on May 29, 1957 my dad told Vic "Nice to know you" and they drove off into the sunset. Anyone ever heard from any of them since?

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PS Why does spellchecker question all the Rapids names. What about Szelagowski? Knolinski? Pryzbyla? Trzbiatowski? Yep-gets all of them too. Probably can't do cube roots the hard way though.

If you're not familiar with the work of Steven Wright, he's the famously erudite scientist and comic who once said: 'I woke up one morning and all of my stuff had been stolen and replaced by exact duplicates.' His mind sees things differently than most of us do ... to our amazement and amusement.

Here are some of his gems:

- 1. I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize**
- 2 - Borrow money from pessimists -- they don't expect it back.**
- 3 - Half the people you know are below average.**
- 4 - 99% of lawyers give the rest a bad name.**
- 5 - 82.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.**
- 6 - A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.**
- 7 - A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.**
- 8 - If you want the rainbow, you got to put up with the rain.**
- 9 - All those who believe in psycho-kinesis, raise my hand.**
- 10 - The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.**
- 11 - I almost had a psychic girlfriend.....but she left me before we met.**
- 12 - OK, so what's the speed of dark?**
- 13 - How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?**
- 14 - If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.**
- 15 - Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.**
- 16 - When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.**
- 17 - Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.**
- 18 - Hard work pays off in the future, laziness pays off now.**
- 19 - I intend to live forever.....so far, so good.**

- 20 - If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
- 21 - Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
- 22 - What happens if you get scared half to death twice?
- 23 - My mechanic told me, 'I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder.'
- 24 - Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?
- 25 - If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.
- 26 - A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
- 27 - Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- 28 - The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
- 29 - To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
- 30 - The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.
- 31 - The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.
- 32 - The colder the X-ray table, the more of your body is required to be on it.
- 33 - Everyone has a photographic memory; some just don't have film.

And an all time favorite-

- 34 - If your car could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?