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LINCOLN HIGH NEWSLETTER

This week's topics:

1. Anybody affected by the recent flooding in Wisconsin?
2. Memories of band and choir - you played what instrument? You sang bass?
3. Remembering teachers - Who's the first teacher that comes to your mind? Why?
 4. Sports Letter Club initiation - Did you have one? What was it like?
 5. I just can't get my head around the fact that.....
6. Were you on a bowling team? What team? Who else was on it?
7. Ever have a nickname? What is/was it? How did you get it?

and responses:

Toni Weller Olsen - LHS '64 - tonicrafty@gmail.com

3. Remembering teachers: Mrs. Hayward was our senior class English teacher at Lincoln, and she helped me to love reading. She seemed so dynamic and interested in her students. Did she assign "Moby Dick"? Never could get into that book, but I plowed through it. I didn't care if Captain Ahab got the white whale or not.

Another wonderful teacher was Mrs. Natwick, Jim's mother. Back in the early 60's, there was a vocational school attached to Lincoln High. I think "shop" classes and home economics were taught there in the daytime. At night there were other classes like sewing and knitting taught in the vocational school. I wanted to learn to knit, so I took Mrs. Natwick's beginner knitting class. The class was probably once a week, and I learned a hobby which I love to this day. I'm currently knitting a sweater for myself and have made many sweaters for babies. So Jim Natwick if you're reading this, please know that your mom's teaching meant a lot to me.

Candace Caylor - klorkatz@att.net

I played clarinet in band all 4 years. We had a lot of fun and made great friends. I remember playing "scales" which determined what chair we would sit in. [I never could beat Jeanne Irving]. I also remember memorizing solos for state competitions. I hated getting up in front of the judges and was scared to death [to the point of nausea] when I did. I did enjoy ensemble and band competitions tho. We had a lot of fun traveling to the competitions. Mr. Hornig, the band

director, expected near perfection [if not perfection] and led the band like a drill sergeant. He did get great results from the band because of this.

I remember Bill Cammack who loved to goof around and play jazzy music on his clarinet— much to the displeasure of Mr. Horning. I loved to hear him play like that and he didn't care what Mr. Hornig's response was. We always received medals when we competed. In my senior year, I finally could not bear to do a solo in competition or do a good job in the scales competition. I guess I just hit the wall. Needless to say, Mr. Hornig was not pleased with me.

Bill Cammack - billcammack@hotmail.com

I had great times in band. I played clarinet in concert band and bass drum in marching band.

Roger Hornig frequently gave me "time out" for my disruptive antics. That being said, Roger was my favorite teacher.

If our rolls could have been reversed, I think I would have considered expulsion rather than time out!!

Gene Hafermann - genehafermann@charter.net

Affected by the recent flooding in Wisconsin? - Not much, except it has been hard to keep up with mowing at our house and on hunting land. And I'm not getting much roll on the golf fairways this year.

2. Memories of band and choir - I have many fond memories of singing tenor in choir, especially my senior year doing duets with Judy and quartets with my twin sisters and Bob Dent.
 3. Remembering teachers - Mr. Winters because I was in his American History class the day Kennedy was assassinated. But close behind are Alice Heyward and Coach Cleworth because what I learned from them had the most impact on my professional and recreational life.
 4. Sports Letter Club initiation - I earned several letters, however, I don't remember any initiation and awards like those as well as medals for singing really weren't a big deal to me. What I learned about teamwork in both venues is what I remember and value.
 5. I just can't get my head around the fact that.....a. Some people abuse people and animals
b. Anyone would vote from Trump or Walker
 6. Were you on a bowling team? - I was on a bowling team when attending my first 2 years of college at the University of Wisconsin Center - Marathon County. I don't remember the name for our bowling team, but the other guys were Aaron, Lenny, Jerry, and Dave. I do remember the name of my intramural football team = SMERSH (look it up).
 7. Ever have a nickname? - I have had 2 nicknames I remember. At an early age working on my uncle's farm they called me "half-a-sack" because I weighed about half what a sack of ground up oats weighed. As I got into sports, my uncle George started calling me Geno and that has stuck to this day.
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Don Wylie - donw@ssec.wisc.edu

Two teachers have always stuck in my mind - Mrs Broker in English who gave me a lot of extra help with writing which eventually worked years after I left LHS and the other was Mr Wagoner's math class who taught me some of the basic math I continually used in my profession - vectors and trigonometry.

I've talked to highschool kids about weather and told them 'I learned that stuff where you are right now in high school'.

Susan (Rice) Hammel - gourmay1@gmail.com

2. Flute. Ugh. Marching with rollers in my hair because of the humidity. Don't think I ever got past fourth chair. Wanted to play oboe, but Phoebe beat me to it.

7. Bill Heilmann nicknamed me "Irene" because that is my middle name. He still calls me by it!

Thanks Kent,

Irene

Kent Vasby - kvasby@smallbytes.net

3. Memories of band and choir - Played clarinet for 3 years and bass drum for awhile. Sang bass in choir. Remember one day in choir when another "bass" was flirting with my girlfriend! I leaned over and whispered "Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's ---" He stopped!

8. I just can't get my head around the fact that.....Here we are on a little blue ball traveling around a thermonuclear explosion at 17 miles a second! And, last week, at the doctor's office I looked at the full length picture of the human skeleton on the back of the door and marveled at the shape of all those bones and how they got in the right place from the joining of a microscopic sperm and egg.

HOW TO KEEP A HEALTHY LEVEL OF INSANITY

1. At lunch time, sit in your parked car with sunglasses on, point a hair dryer at passing cars, and watch them slow down!

2. On all your check stubs, write, 'For Marijuana.'

3. Skip down the street rather than walk, and see how many looks you get.

4. With a serious face, order a Diet Water whenever you go out to eat.

5. Sing along at an Opera.

6. When the money comes out of the ATM, scream 'I Won! I Won!'

7. When leaving the Zoo, start running towards the car park, yelling, 'Run For Your Lives! They're Loose!'

8. Tell your children over dinner, 'Due to the economy, we are going to have to let one of you go....'

9. Pick up a box of condoms at the pharmacy, go to the counter and ask where the fitting room is.

AND THE FINAL WAY TO KEEP A HEALTHY LEVEL OF INSANITY:

10. Go to a large Department store's fitting room, drop your drawers to your ankles and yell out, "There's no paper in here!"