From: <u>The Vasbys</u>

To: <u>Bill & Shirley (Black) Hartley</u>

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Editor's Prayer Request

Wife, Judy Hanneman, was walking daughter's dog and dog suddenly jerked her leash causing wife to fall down. She was in severe pain but called me and I took her to the Fort Atkinson ER. They had to give her pain-killers so they could take x-rays of her arm and shoulder. No diagnosis at this time. Daughter is with her now. PLEASE keep her in your prayers!!

This week's topics:

- 1. Describe the most beautiful place or country you've been to.
- 2. What was the best decade to live? Why?
- 3. What do you find funny?
- 4. Cheerleader memories?
- 5 Are we alone in the universe? Why or why not?
- 6. Ever get your kicks on Route 66? When? Any memories?

- 7. Piano lesson memories. Still play?
- 8. Flowers for marriages and funerals. Is there a correlation?
- 9. You your brother's keeper? How?
- 10. Whatever else you'd care to write about.

and responses:

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- 1. We were in Aruba and the color of the water was wonderful. I also love my home ,it is always good to walk in the door, and relax.
- 3. I find my husband's dry sense of humor funny. Some times I have to get him out of trouble because someone does not get it.
- 5. I am sure there are others out there, but when they see our wars, they stay away.
- 6. I have been on RT 66, when I was a tour director we did the whole route. It comes and goes as the highways let it.

At the last reunion, some of us decided that it would be fun to get together every first Wed. of the month. Last time we met at a restaurant in Rapids, the month of Nov. we are going to meet at the Stevens Point Country club on Wed. the 3rd at 11:15. The idea is come when you can, and we will go back and forth between Rapids and Point, coming up with a new place now and then. We had women and men at the first get together so we hope to see more people and new people. There is no sign up so just come. By the way, you do not need to be a member of the S P club to join us, like most places they take cash or credit cards. We will let the Vasby's news letter know the time and place in the future. Hope to see you there.

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Hi everybody, Sorry I have never responded before but thanks Kent, I enjoy reading it. The cheer-leading memories got to me. Every part of cheer-leading was great fun

for me but the best cheer was "The Clap Cheer". Anyone remember that? Only used during basketball season as we used the whole gym floor and drums from pep band played. Everyone stomping on bleachers, drums beating, the whole place rocked. Can't imagine why they ever stopped using that cheer. Then again, maybe it was to save the bleachers and gym floor. Ha! Great fun. One of many great memories from high school.

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- 2. What was the best decade to live? Why? Definitely the 50's...simple and innocent time. The beginning of the 60's was similar and then things started to change and not for the good.
- 5 Are we alone in the universe? Why or why not? Definitely NOT! I think God had a grand plan and it isn't just us! There are too many unexplained things throughout the world from early recorded history to Today.
- 6. Ever get your kicks on Route 66? When? Any memories? I lived in Oklahoma for 27 years and spent many years driving route 66. Visit the round barn outside Oklahoma City and Pops. It has a gigantic soda bottle which is visible on 66 again by OKC. Many mom and pop stores and restaurants are still in operation. I know that Bill Hartley is an expert on the road!
- 7. Piano lesson memories. Still play? Don't play but Mrs Teske tried hard to make me better but to know avail. My fingers weren't nimble enough. Her son reminded me of Liberaci!

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Route 66. In 1966 I was stationed at Ft Leonard, Missouri. Route 66 was the main East West route that ran just north of Ft Leonard, now interstate 44. I was stationed there with my friend Larry Johnson. For a weekend pass we would hitch either West to Springfield or East to St. Louis and points in between. On one particular trip we were with a army buddy who was from California, Pomroy, a surfer. Upon getting back on 66 to hitch a ride back to the fort, Pomroy stayed on the West bound side of 66. Encouraging him to cross the Highway East bound he said "I'm going to California to surf!" Probably some other choice words. The next time we saw Pomroy was several weeks or maybe more being escorted into our barracks by the

Military Police to clean out his locker. That had already been taken care of by his fellow GI's. That's the last time we saw Pomroy!

My other adventure on 66 with my friend Larry was the spring or summer of 1967. We both pulled a 3 day pass, decided we should hitch back to Wisconsin Rapids, about 700 miles. Route 66 to Bloomington, IL, Hwy 51 to Plover. We made it back in a day with time to spare to grab a beer at one of the Plover taverns, Larry's brother, Gordy picked us up in Plover for our final ride of the day. No, we did not hitch hike back.

Since that time I have covered most of 66 or what remains of it. Five years ago Larry and I followed the same route on a road trip to find our non deceased friend Mike Brusoe, who was alive and well and living in Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

I've had unforgettable memories and times through each of the 8 decades I lived, seemed like The 1950's always brings a smile, what I remember of it. Early sixties also, latter sixties I'm not sure as a portion of it was spent serving my country in SE Asia along with my hitching buddy Larry. At least I was never into surfing ????

As a final note Larry and I just returned from a road trip to Washington DC to visit the newly created National Army Museum at Ft Belvoir, VA. We did not hitch hike!