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Chuck Hinners chuck@crgfinancialconsulting.com writes:

Kent

Miss Sisley looks younger than I remember her in High School! As to the businesses on First and Second Street from the 50s and 60s, it will take more digging. Let you know later.

The Editor invited **Kathy (Wittenberg) Rutkowski** and **Jill (Fletcher) Studinski** and their spouses to **Conley's in Kellner** to celebrate their common birthday with the Editor's wife, Judy - **Sept. 27th, 1947**. Kathy and her husband couldn't make it but Judy and the Editor had a great time with Richard and Jill Studinski! Here's a pic of the birthday gals!



Jill is a ceramics artist and gave Judy and the **Editor** this lovely gift in celebration of Autumn and the common b-day.



The "fine print" under "punkin" has both our names - Judy & Kent. **Thanks, Jill!**
Jill can create "special occasion" ceramics for you! You can contact her at rstudinski@g2a.net

May as well do a "restaurant review" of Conley's Fish Fry while we're at it! The four of us all had baked fish with salad bar - \$8.95. Salad bar was worth the extra two bucks over the regular price of \$6.95 with cole slaw. Waitress was very attentive and got everyone's order right - even tho some ordered extra lemon, "hold the butter", tartar sauce please, etc.

Fish was a trifle overcooked but not to the point of being "chewy"! Editor had the "cheesey" hash browns while the rest had baked potatoes. Hash browns were "not exactly" hash browns as we commonly know them, but appeared to be an "oven baked" shredded potato covered with cheese and a hint of garlic. Tasted good, nonetheless!

Before dinner and after dinner drinks from the bar were excellent! Editor's "Brandy and 7" used good quality brandy and was not "watered down"! The "after dinner Grasshoppers" (pictured above) were huge and more than the gals could eat/drink! Conley's doesn't take reservations (which you all probably know!) so you'll have to check in with Mark when you get there to get a table and then sit at the bar for about a half hour! Can't blame them! Bar is where they make their profit!

Editor's note:

If any of you live in the Eau Claire area, be sure to visit the **Downsville Creamery!**

<http://www.creameryrestaurant-inn.com/>

The Editor's daughter, **Heather Remington**, works there in the gift shop!

Judy and the Editor went to visit the Alexander House art gallery and mini-museum in Port Edwards last Tuesday.



Currently, the Alexander House is featuring the art of **John Heath** - a wildlife and landscape artist from Skandia, MI

and the whimsical welded creatures of **Clyde Wynia** of Marshfield, WI thru Oct. 14th. Definitely worth seeing! The Alexander House is open Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 1 to 4 PM.

Editor liked one of the Heath prints so much that he bought it! Here it is! Great winter scene with blowing snow. Editor can really identify with the pic! Brought back many, many memories! Guess that's why I

bought it! Will probably bring back winter memories to many LHS alums who "rode the bus" back to their homes and farms after school!



For more of Clyde Wynia's "welded whimsies" see: <http://www.jurustic.com/>
If the Editor can find appropriate room for a "rusting" sculpture, he might go back and purchase something similar to the next pic next week! The head and tail are mounted on springs and if you touch them, they continue moving for many minutes! The sculpture brings a smile to anyone that sees it! Well worth the cost! Wynia sculptures are remarkably affordable for the work involved!
From \$10 for a mosquito to \$3500 for a 500 lb. turtle "bell!"
Most sculptures are under \$100!
Great gifts for Christmas and will probably be on the "Antiques Road Show" in another 50 years!
You heard it here first!



Editor's note: Wisconsin weather sucks! Went from "heat" & a drought a couple of weeks ago to "November weather" this week. Wonder where autumn went to? They say that the drought and the statewide freezes on Tuesday and Wednesday nights this week will result in "next to zero" autumn colors.

Sue & Lynn DeLong (64) n0cvi@amsat.org write:

We are on a schedule of every other week going on an adventure.

Just got back to Tucson from a trip to NE Arizona. First stop was at Tonto National Monument (<http://www.nps.gov/tont/>); we hiked up to the Pueblo ruins and back. From there to the Salt River Canyon, a beautiful valley cut through the rock. Next, into the White Mountains <http://www.whitemtns.com/>

with a stay over at Show Low <http://www.showlowchamberofcommerce.com/index.shtml>; we headed into the mountains with the highlight being close-up photos of elk (a bull and three cows). After a side trip to Greer <http://www.greerarizona.com/>, we headed down the North Fork White River Trail <http://www.wmonline.com/attract/streams.htm#w>; down in the valley was a fantastic cool break. We headed back to Show Low and surveyed the area of the Rodeo-Chediski Forest Fire <http://www.wilderness.org/OurIssues/Wildfire/Rodeo-Chediski.cfm> <http://csf.colorado.edu/envtecsoc/2002/msg00380.html> and ate some fajitas.

From the White Mts, we headed north. Stopped at the Petrified Forest (<http://www.nps.gov/pefo/>) and onto the Painted Desert for a few short hikes. From there to the Thunderbird Lodge and sunset and sunrise at Canyon de Chelly (<http://www.nps.gov/cach/>). We trekked around the canyons and ended the day by starting south. Before leaving NE AZ, we stopped at the Hubbell Trading Post and made some purchases <http://www.nps.gov/hutr/>.

After Pizza and an overnight at Springerville <http://www.springerville.com/>, we headed to Alpine <http://www.wmonline.com/cities/alpine.htm> and started a trip to Blue (AZ) and by following the Blue River <Red Hill Road > <http://www.wmonline.com/attract/streams.htm#b> went through temperatures from 30's to low 100's (Sue's normal operating range). Near the end of the trail, the sun disappeared. We then headed out on Red Hill Road to the Coronado Trail <http://www.arizonahandbook.com/coronado.htm>.

Once out of the woods, we learned that Hurricane Marty was responsible for covering the sun. We continued south on the Coronado Trail to end at North America's largest copper mine at Morenci. The next day we went to mine but the fog and haze cut the light for taking photos of the mine but Sue got pix of some Mountain Goats.

We headed next to Safford via the Black Hills Scenic Backroad By-Way
<http://www.travelbooksusa.com/az02.htm>.

We started planning for our trip back to Safford/Mt Graham while in Safford and then headed back towards Tucson via Old Spanish Trail with a stop at Saguaro National Park <<http://www.nps.gov/sagu/>>. We found the Mountains around Tucson hidden by clouds so up we went for some terrific views of the Rincons and the Santa Catalinas being eaten by "Tropical Depression Marty." On the Mountains, the rain was gentle but ample enough to get the waterfalls running and the our cameras clicking.

Seven days and 68 rolls of film later, we are settled in for six days in Tucson. Then, our next adventure is to the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta <http://www.balloonfiesta.com> via the Gila National Forest http://gorp.away.com/gorp/resource/us_national_forest/nm_gila.htm <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/gila/content.htm> and <http://sidecanyon.com/attraction/nmexico1.htm> with a check in for new arrivals from the north Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge <http://southwest.fws.gov/refuges/newmex/bosque/index.html>.

May your paths bring you joy to all your senses,
Sue and Lynn DeLong

