

NORTH & SOUTH Hagerstown High Schools Class of 1957 Online Newsletter



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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS





AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

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Frank & Becky Scuffins Reel



Gary & Pam Stenger



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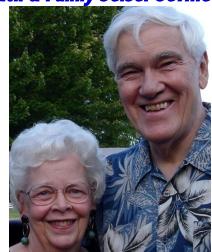
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CLASSMATE ACTIVITIES

Jone Burket



Jone served on the San Mar Children's Home board for 6 years. In 2006, San Mar constructed a 12 bed shelter for girls. There were many generous donors, including Jone Bowman. That facility has recently been named after Jone in honor of her years of service and her generosity in helping the girls at San Mar.

Editor's Comment: Congratulations Jone, you make us proud!



Can you ID the above classmates? Give it a go and if anyone knows first young lady on the left in the front row, please let us know. We figured out all the other young ladies in the photo. Send your "guess" to bobcianelli@verizon.net. (Ernie Barnhart shared the pic.)

Ron Amos



I donated a 1977 Harley to the "The Wheels Through Time" motorcycle museum in Maggie Valley, NC. Photo is Dale Walksler, the Curator, and myself beside the bike. The machine was originally owned by Stanley Sieja Jr., who rode it around the world in 2006, then gave it to me. It was too neat a bike to sit around in my garage so I donated it. Google Stanley Sieja Jr. and read about this interesting guy. He also sailed around the world in a 26 foot wooden sailboat, flew around the world in a 1948 Piper single engine fabric covered airplane and walked over all of South America with a backpack. He has several manuscripts which I have read and he hopes to get them published,

Dolores Marquiss



I moved to Florida right after college, met my husband Frank and raised my family here. Each generation seems more enjoyable, more fun and less work. My 2 great grandkids, Cameron is 3 and Carson is 2. They are the joy of our lives. I retired 5 years ago after almost 40 years at Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne

I still love Hagerstown and call it home. It was a great place to grow up. There is something about the mountains you never quite forget and also the memories of your high school years.

Jan Roth

This past week I worked on the vacuum. Noticing that the machine was rated at 7 lbs I noticed that it weighed 12.7 lbs. So I changed the bag. Had to read extensive instructions but managed the job. Now there was another catch. It would not suck up the dirt. I completely disassembled the machine and found an artificial holly leaf in the tube. I then did high tech work by cleaning windows that had been designed by the Chinese for us. So that is what I have done for the week. Next week I will go to Hagerstown and look for a house as we wish to locate there and leave Southern Maryland as it is becoming so crowded with Washington DC workers.

Editor's Comment: We even have comedians in our class.

Anne Snyder

Geyer's been busy with family and friends most of the summer. The bad thing we have had rain every day in July. Good thing we live up high on a mountain called Carriage Park in Hendersonville, NC. We have lived here for 18 years and love it. We will be coming to Hagerstown in September for Marty's class reunion. We enjoy the reunions and seeing many friends. Look forward to the delicious blue crabs. Have a great summer.

Becky Goetz

Walt and I went camping at Outdoor Worlds Pennsylvania Dutch Campground in Manheim, Pa., the second week of June, where they were joined by an old friend for a few days. It's good to renew old friendships. They then went camping at ODW's Sturbridge campground in Sturbridge, MA., the last week of June, and their daughter Lori and her family joined them for a few days, and fun was the order of the day!

In July, Becky and Walt went camping at ODW's Gateway to Cape Cod, for a week and a half. Their daughter and her family joined them for a weekend. We have also attended many American Legion functions and ceremonies in and around camping. We are looking forward to August and September's camping trips, and picnics with the class of 57. The pictures are from Sturbridge.



Vangie Baer

You really don't want to know what my wife Vangie did to help me this week, while my son Craig and his family (his wife is our Office Honcho) were in Mexico. All hell broke loose and we worked. It always happens when we are short handed.

Editor's Comment: We all want to know what Vangie did! If you tell me, you can count on me to keep it a secret.

Doris Holsinger

All our grandchildren have birthdays in August and we are expecting our fourth grandchild on August 8th. Lily Ann will be 4 on August 3rd, Aaron will be 15 on August 6th and Adam will be 17 on August 23rd. In addition, our son Master Gunnery Sgt. Michael Hilton's birthday is the 20th of Aug. and his wife, Joi, is the 19th of Aug.

Editor's Comment: December must be a very cold month where Doris' and now her children live.

Bob Westphal

My grandson starts college this year, and last fall I went out to California to see him (and family). Along with his very sweet girlfriend, who took this photo from above us, we climbed about 2500 feet or so out of the John Muir Woods (redwoods) just north of San Francisco for a grand view of the Pacific. On the way up, we found a banana slug, a hallmark denizen of those parts. I was told I had to kiss it for good luck. I did. I'm still waiting, but I guess that in itself is good luck!





Editor's Comment: Guess we all have kissed some slugs at one time or another.

This spring, I underwent a severe separation occasion, necessitated by the fact that my spinal stenosis and leg problems are advancing faster than my PT exercises. Just can't split and stack wood anymore. I miss it very much! Have one that looks like it, sort of, but it's gas. The way of all flesh, they say, or at least Samuel Butler did.

Incidentally, I finally made it to a class luncheon this summer, a really very good time. Hope to see you all next year. It's just too far and bad timing for the picnic in September because I'm off to Idaho for some fishing!

Alice Ann Lindsey

LIFE CHANGES

You can read this one of two ways. As a title, Life Changes, and as an absolute truth – yes, life does change. It's changing for all of us 1957 graduates of HHS and especially for John and me.

Last year in July we went to an open house at a retirement center here in Baltimore. We didn't know much when we went, but thought we knew a lot when we left the open house. However we were sadly mistaken.

We joined for a nominal fee so we could use the facilities, enjoy the programs, and eat in the dining rooms on occasion. That, we thought, would give us a good idea of the place. It did and we decided to take a trip to some out of state communities to make comparisons or as John says, "We've got to turn over more stones!"

We decided to look at only non-profit Continuing Care facilities so checked out the accredited communities on the web (CARF- CCRCs). After choosing three communities we made our first stop in Williamsburg, VA at Williamsburg Landing. What a beautiful community. It was about the same size as the Baltimore community, but in a very different setting. The Williamsburg style appealed greatly to me, the dining room was excellent, and the entry fee about the same as in Baltimore. The monthly fee was much lower and included many of the same amenities. I loved it. It wasn't a fit for John.

The second community was Carolina Meadows in Chapel Hill, NC. Another lovely community with a more expensive entry fee, with a stellar equity advantage that returns 100% of the entry fee to your estate! The monthly fee was similar to Williamsburg Landing. It was a fit for John, but too far away from family for me.

We had previously scheduled a stop in Brentwood, TN to see The Heritage and make a visit to good friends so we kept our appointment. Entry fees were comparable to Williamsburg Landing, but monthly fees were high. The main drawback for us was that the whole community was under construction. We had a great time with friends and chalked it up to experience and fun!

When we returned to Baltimore, we went back to the drawing board. After all both of us needed to be excited and pleased by the community we would choose.

We found Shenandoah Valley Westminster-Canterbury in Winchester, VA that looked very promising. We scheduled a visit.

Just 43 miles from Hagerstown and a little over an hour from our home in Baltimore it was in the right location. The entry fee was a bit higher as was the monthly fee, but there were so many positives. The campus was beautiful, the people friendly and fun. The food was good. The fitness center and pool all checked out. There was an excellent library, an art studio, and a woodworking shop. Their Lifecare option was well designed. We toured the assisted living and skilled nursing sections. We found them to be exceptional. Had we found the right place?

We decided to put our names on the waiting list for a 1600 square foot cottage or one of the lovely 1800 square foot two bedroom apartments. Probably a two year wait at least. Translation – two more years of dealing with leaves in the fall, snow in the winter, and in the spring and summer large gardens (which I love, but can't really handle anymore). John says, "Let's look some more even though we're on the list." I sigh and get to work.

Hmmm. We heard about this place in Lancaster, PA called Willow Valley. I check out the website. My goodness, it looks really good. We schedule a visit.

Guest quarters check out positively. Dining room is lovely and food good. We meet friendly people who are so open and willing to help us experience Willow Valley. It's the largest community we have visited, yet it has a warm atmosphere. The fitness center is the best we've seen. The pool too. And there is a Day Spa for pedicures and massages. Nice. The beautiful landscaping is the icing on the cake. But there is a two to three year wait for the places we like.

We return a second time for another tour. There are 42 new 1980 square foot villas. Most are finished, but even the ones that are just barely underway are sold. There are three left. One

will back up to the pool and clubhouse, one backs up to a rather busy road, the third we loved. It is under roof and will be completed in October. So – our house in Glyndon will be on our realtor's website Thursday or Friday (www.heidikrauss.com). IF we have a sale by October we will be in our new house in November!! Now we are praying for the pieces to come together and our downsizing project to be completed on time!! I'm thankful we turned over the "stones." We'll be at Willow Valley eventually even if this hurry up move doesn't work. What a relief; what a joy!!

EDUCATION CORNER

A FEW USEFUL IDEAS and/or TIPS



































STATES AND WHAT THEY ARE FAMOUS FOR (DID YOU EVER IMAGINE)

ALABAMAWas the first state to have 9-1-1, started 1968.
ALASKAOne out of every 64 people has a pilot's license.
ARIZONAIs the only state in the continental U.S. that does not follow Daylight Savings Time.
ARKANSASHas the only active diamond mine in the U.S.
CALIFORNIAlts economy is so large that if it were a country, it would rank seventh in the entire world.
COLORADOIn 1976 it became the only state to turn down the Olympics.
CONNECTICUTThe Frisbee was invented here at Yale University
DELAWAREHas more scientists and engineers than any other state.
FLORIDAAt 874.3 square miles, Jacksonville is the largest city in the U.S.
GEORGIAlt was here, in 1886, that pharmacist John Pemberton made the first vat of Coca-Colainteresting!
HAWAIIHawaiians live, on average, five years longer than residents of any other state.
IDAHOTV was invented in Rigby, Idaho, in 1922.
ILLINOISHas a Governor in jail, one pending jail, and is the most corrupt state in the union! And where our president is from.
INDIANAHome to Santa Claus, Indiana, which gets a half million letters for Santa every year.
IOWAWinnebago R.V.s get their name from Winnebago County. Also, it is the only state name that begins with 2 vowels.
KANSASLiberal, Kansas has an exact replica of the house in "The Wizard of Oz".
KENTUCKYHas more than \$6 billion in gold underneath Fort Knox.
LOUISIANAHas parishes instead of counties because they were originally Spanish church units.
MAINElt is so large that it covers as many square miles as the other five New England states combined.
MARYLANDThe Ouija board was created in Baltimore in 1892 Bet you didn't know

that!

MASSACHUSETTS......The Fig Newton is named after Newton, Massachusetts. MICHIGAN.....Fremont, home to Gerber, is the baby food capital of the world. MINNESOTA......Bloomington's Mall of America is so big, that if you spent 10 minutes in each store, you'd be there almost four days. MISSISSIPPI.....President Teddy Roosevelt refused to shoot a bear here... that's how the teddy bear got its name. MISSOURI.....ls the birthplace of the ice cream cone. MONTANA A sapphire from Montana is in the Crown Jewels of England. **NEBRASKA......More triplets are born here than in any other state.** NEW HAMPSHIRE......Birthplace of Tupperware, invented in 1938 by Earl Tupper. NEW JERSEY.....Has the most shopping malls in one area in the world. NEW MEXICO.....Smokey the Bear was rescued from a 1950 forest fire here. NEW YORK......ls home to the nation's oldest cattle ranch, started in 1747 in Montauk.....Surprised? NORTH CAROLINA.......Home of the first Krispy Kreme doughnut. NORTH DAKOTA...... Rigby, North Dakota, is the exact geographic center of North America. OHIO.....The hot dog was invented here in 1900. OKLAHOMA.....The grounds of the state capital are covered by operating oil wells. OREGON......Has the most ghost towns in the country. PENNSYLVANIA......The smiley:) was first used in 1980 by computer scientists at Carnegie Mellon University. RHODE ISLAND.....The nation's oldest bar, the White Horse Tavern, opened here in 1673. SOUTH CAROLINA......Sumter County is home to the world's largest gingko farm. SOUTH DAKOTA......ls the only state that's never had an earthquake.

World.

TEXAS — Dr. Penner was invented in Waco in 1885. The hamburger was invented in Arlings.

TENNESSEE..........Nashville's Grand Ole Opry is the longest running live radio show in the

TEXAS......Dr. Pepper was invented in Waco in 1885. The hamburger was invented in Arlington in 1906.

UTAH.....The first Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant opened here in 1952.

VERMONT......Montpelier is the only state capital without a McDonald's.

VIRGINIA......Home of the world's largest office building, The Pentagon.

WASHINGTON.....Seattle has twice as many college graduates as any other state.

WASHINGTON D.C......ls the first planned capital in the world

WEST VIRGINIA.....Had the world's first brick paved street, Summers Street, laid in Charleston in 1870.

WISCONSIN......The ice cream sundae was invented here in 1881 to get around Blue Laws prohibiting ice cream from being sold on Sunday. Also the American Water Spaniel was created there and is the state dog.

WYOMING.......Was the first state to allow women to vote.

For those who understand, no explanation is needed. For those who do not understand, no explanation is possible.

One day I had lunch with some friends. Jim, a short, balding golfer type about 80 years old, came along with them---all in all, a pleasant bunch.

When the menus were presented, we ordered salads, sandwiches, and soups, except for Jim who said, "Ice Cream, please. Two scoops, chocolate. I wasn't sure my ears heard right, and the others were aghast. "Along with heated apple pie," Jim added, completely unabashed.

We tried to act quite nonchalant, as if people did this all the time.. But when our orders were brought out, I didn't enjoy mine.

I couldn't take my eyes off Jim as his pie a-la-mode went down. The other guys couldn't believe it. They ate their lunches silently and grinned.

The next time I went out to eat, I called and invited Jim. I lunched on white meat tuna. He ordered a parfait. I smiled. He asked if he amused me.

I answered, "Yes, you do, but also you confuse me. How come you order rich desserts, while I feel I must be sensible?"

He laughed and said "I'm tasting all that is Possible. I try to eat the food I need, and do the things I should. But life's so short, my friend, I hate missing out on something good. This year I realized how old I was. (He grinned) I haven't been this old before. So, before I die, I've got to try those things that for years I had ignored.

"I haven't smelled all the flowers yet. There are too many trout streams I haven't fished. There are more fudge sundaes to wolf down and kites to be flown overhead.

"There are too many golf courses I haven't played. I've not laughed at all the jokes. I've missed a lot of sporting events and potato chips and cokes.

"I want to wade again in water and feel ocean spray on my face. I want to sit in a country church once more and thank God for His grace.

"I want peanut butter every day spread on my morning toast. I want un-timed long distance calls to the folks I love the most.

"I haven't cried at all the movies yet, or walked in the morning rain. I need to feel wind on my face. I want to be in love again.

"So, if I choose to have dessert, instead of having dinner, then should I die before night fall, I'd say I died a winner, because I missed out on nothing. I filled my heart's desire. I had that final chocolate mousse before my life expired."

With that, I called the waitress over.. "I've changed my mind," I said. "I want what he is having, only add some more whipped cream!"

Be mindful that happiness isn't based on possessions, power, or prestige, but on relationships with people we like and respect. Remember that while money talks, CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM SINGS!

COMEDY SECTION

I LOVE YOU, SWEETHEART (Effect of these 4 words)

A group of women were at a seminar on how to live in a loving relationship with your husband. The women were asked, "How many of you love your husband?"All the women raised their hands. Then they were asked, "When was the last time you told your husband you loved him?" Some women answered today, some yesterday, some couldn't remember. The women were then told to take out their cell phones and text their husband: "I love you, sweetheart."

The women were then told to exchange phones and to read aloud the text message responses. Some of the replies follow.

- 1. Who is this?
- 2. Eh, mother of my children, are you sick?
- 3. I love you too.
- 4. What now? Did you crash the car again?
- 5. I don't understand what you mean?
- 6. What did you do now?
- 7. ?!?
- 8. Don't beat around the bush, just tell me how much you need?
- 9. Am I dreaming?
- 10. If you don't tell me who this message is actually for, someone will die.
- 11. I thought we agreed we would not drink during the day.
- 12. Your mother is coming to stay, isn't she??