



NORTH & SOUTH
Hagerstown High Schools
Class of 1957
Online Newsletter



February 2012 Edition

55th Anniversary Year! – North & South Hagerstown High Class of 1957
See you on September 7th & 8th at our gala 55th reunion!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Dick Knode



Norma Jean Hull



Carl Gearhart



Gordie Sanders



Frit Hill



Judy Iseminger



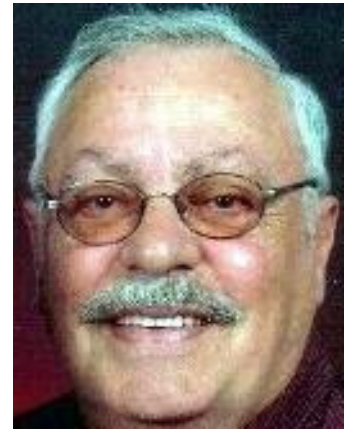
Alice Ann Lindsey



Nancy Minnich



Bob Moats



Phil Brader



Barbara Locke



Elaine Finniff



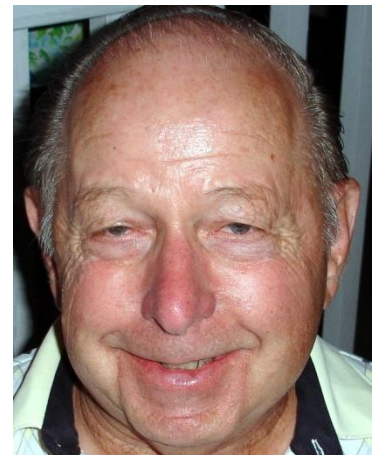
Don Kephart



Judy Statler



Don Smith



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Don & Jone Burket Bowman



Arthur & Ann Corderman Helton



Gene and Brenda Smith



GUESS WHO BABY CONTEST

January Babies

Baby #1-Jim Carnes



Baby #2-Alice Ann Lindsey



Baby #3-Polly Fitz



Baby #1 was easy everyone got it correct. Baby #2 was more difficult, only had one correct answer. Baby #3 was a no-hitter, no correct guesses.

February Babies

Baby #4



Baby #5



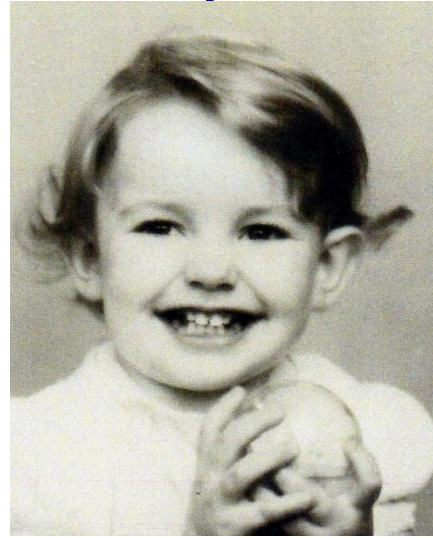
Baby #6



Baby #7



Baby #8



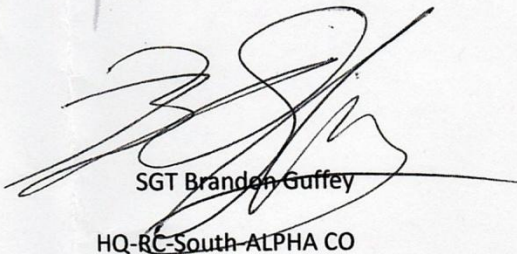
Editor's Comment: Once again, a couple of the pics are no brainers.

CLASSMATE ACTIVITIES

Nancy Minnich

Dear Williamsport Elem school

Thank you for all the supporting letters and the care package that were sent to me. I am a soldier serving in Kandahar Afghanistan. It means a lot to us to know we are thought about while we spend many months away from our Families. To tell you a little bit about me I am 28 yr old Sergeant in the US Army I have been in the Army for 10 years. I am married and a Father of two young girls who I miss greatly. Thank you again for all your Support and letters. Please feel free to write back if you wish I will do everything I can to write you. Please know if I do not reply right away it is due to the mission I am conducting here it takes up most of my time. Thank you again for everything.


SGT Brandon Guffey
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Editor's Notes: Maggie Barnes', class at Williamsport Elementary sent letters and packages to this soldier who was serving in Afghanistan. He kept in communication with the class and thanked them for their kindness and effort.

Big shout out to Maggie and all her classmates!

(Maggie is Nancy Minnich's granddaughter.)

Jewel Smith

The pencil sketch below was done by Michael Mann in July of 2009. Michael is Jewel's nephew. It has been reproduced on personal cards. Unfortunately, Michael's life ended in his prime.



EDUCATION CORNER

Vague Numbering System to be Taught in High School

In a move that indicates that mathematics is keeping up with the modern world, the Vague Numbering system is to be taught in high schools.

"Basically," said Juan Tuthre, head of Modern Math at Oxford's Queen College, "Vague numbering is the method of assigning rough estimates to numbers. So we would have one, a couple, a few, some, quite a few, a lot, and many for example."

Thanks to work by Fields Medallist, Tuthre, this numbering system can now be used for basic math.

"Basic addition, such as some plus a lot is many becomes possible under the new scheme," he said. "Simple subtraction is also possible. If you take a lot from many you get some."

The vague numbering system has advantages over traditional math, in that it reflects how people use math.

"You go to the shops for some peas, a couple of toilet rolls and a few cases of bottle beer," he said. "It also simplifies calculations, in that a shedload plus a shedload is also a shedload."

The math curriculum is being altered for the coming school year to allow students to get to grips with the new system.

"Students will be able to fractionalize in the system by the end of the school year, with quantities such as some of many, or a couple of a few. They will even be able to do multiplication. Most of the answers to multiplications is many."

Education watchdogs are alarmed by the new curriculum, calling for it to be scrapped.

"It is yet another way of simplifying the whole education system," said Doctor Doreen Little. "With exams getting easier every year, math was the one hold out. This is how they've overcome that hurdle. Only a few students will learn some math now. Many will only learn a bit. It's not good enough, I and a few like-minded individuals are going to organize quite a lot of protests!"

Remembering Mom's Clothesline



You have to be a "certain age" to appreciate this one....

(But you YOUNGER ones can read about "The GOOD ol' days"!!)

I can hear my mother now.....

THE BASIC RULES FOR CLOTHESLINES:

(If you don't even know what clotheslines are, better skip this.)

1. You had to hang the socks by the toes... NOT the top.
2. You hung pants by the BOTTOM/cuffs... NOT the waistbands.
3. You had to WASH the clothesline(s) before hanging any clothes - walk the entire length of

each line with a damp cloth around the lines.

4. You had to hang the clothes in a certain order, and always hang "whites" with "whites," and hang them first.

5. You NEVER hung a shirt by the shoulders - always by the tail! What would the neighbors think?

6. Wash day on a Monday! NEVER hang clothes on the weekend, or on Sunday, for Heaven's sake!

7. Hang the sheets and towels on the OUTSIDE lines so you could hide your "unmentionables" in the middle (perverts & busybodies, y'know!)

8. It didn't matter if it was sub-zero weather... clothes would "freeze-dry."

9. ALWAYS gather the clothes pins when taking down dry clothes! Pins left on the lines were "tacky"!

10. If you were efficient, you would line the clothes up so that each item did not need two clothes pins, but shared one of the clothes pins with

the next washed item.

11. Clothes off of the line before dinner time, neatly folded in the clothes basket, and ready to be ironed.

12. IRONED????!! Well, that's a whole OTHER subject!



There is one thing that's left out. We had a long wooden pole (clothes pole) that was used to push the clotheslines up so that longer items (sheets/pants/etc.) didn't brush the ground and get dirty.

And now a **POEM** ...

A clothesline was a news forecast, To neighbors passing by,

There were no secrets you could keep, When clothes were hung to dry.

It also was a friendly link, For neighbors always knew
If company had stopped on by, To spend a night or two.
For then you'd see the "fancy sheets", And towels upon the line;
You'd see the "company table cloths", With intricate designs.
The line announced a baby's birth, From folks who lived inside,
As brand new infant clothes were hung, So carefully with pride!
The ages of the children could, So readily be known
By watching how the sizes changed, You'd know how much they'd grown!
It also told when illness struck, As extra sheets were hung;
Then nightclothes, and a bathrobe too, Haphazardly were strung.
It also said, "On vacation now", When lines hung limp and bare.
It told, "We're back!" when full lines sagged, With not an inch to spare!
New folks in town were scorned upon, If wash was dingy and gray,
As neighbors carefully raised their brows, And looked the other way.
But clotheslines now are of the past, For dryers make work much less.
Now what goes on inside a home, Is anybody's guess!
I really miss that way of life, It was a friendly sign
When neighbors knew each other best... By what hung out on that line.

COMEDY CORNER

Men Strike Back!

Top 50 Reasons Why Beer is Better Than a Woman

- 1. You can enjoy a beer all month.
- 2. Beer doesn't mind football season.
- 3. You don't have to wine and dine a beer.
- 4. Your beer will always wait patiently for you in the car.
- 5. When beer goes flat you toss it out.

- 6. Beer is never late.
- 7. Hangovers go away.
- 8. A beer will not insist that those odious Michelin commercials with the babies are "cute".
- 9. Beer labels come off without a fight.
- 10. When you go to a bar, you know you can always pick up a beer.
- 11. Beer never has a headache.
- 12. After you have a beer, the bottle is still worth a dime.
- 13. A beer won't get upset if you come home with beer on your breath.
- 14. You can have more than one beer a night and not feel guilty.
- 15. You can share a beer with your friends.
- 16. Beer doesn't demand equality.
- 17. You rarely (if ever) find beer labels on the shower curtain rod.
- 18. Beer looks the same in the morning.
- 19. Beer doesn't have a mother.
- 20. Beer always listens and never argues.
- 21. Beer labels don't go out of style every year.
- 22. Beer doesn't whine, it bubbles.
- 23. Beer doesn't have cold hands/feet.
- 24. Beer doesn't demand legality.
- 25. Beer is never overweight.
- 26. If you change beers, you don't have to pay alimony.
- 27. Beer won't run off with your credit cards.
- 28. Beer doesn't have a lawyer.
- 29. Beer doesn't need much closet space.
- 30. A beer won't make you eat some experimental vegetarian meal that tastes like STP Oil Treatment.
- 31. Beer doesn't complain about the way you drive.
- 32. Beer doesn't mind if you fart or belch.
- 33. Beer never changes its mind.
- 35. Beer never asks you to change the station.
- 36. Beer doesn't make you go shopping.
- 37. Beer doesn't tell you to mow the grass.
- 38. Beer doesn't mind seeing Chuck Norris and Charles Bronson flicks.
- 39. A beer will *never* make you turn off "Fists of Fury Theater" on channel 5 on Saturday afternoons.
- 41. Beer doesn't pout or play games.
- 42. A beer is always ready to leave on time.
- 43. A beer won't raise a fuss about a little thing like leaving the toilet seat up.
- 44. Beer never complains when you take it somewhere.
- 45. Beer doesn't need to go to the 'powder room' with other beers.
- 46. Beer doesn't mind getting dirty.
- 47. A beer doesn't think baseball is stupid simply because the guys spit.
- 48. Beer doesn't complain about insensitivity.
- 49. Beer doesn't use up your toilet paper.

- **50. Beer doesn't live with its mother.**