

TYNER ALUMNI NEWS

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Scholarship Fund Balances

The **Vera R. Klinedinst** Memorial Scholarship Fund had a Balance, as of 2/28/2015, of \$41,961.99.

The Scholarship Recipient in 2014: was Cole Jacobson attending the University of Notre Dame and Majoring in Actuarial Science.

The **Wilma Martin** Scholarship Fund, as of 2/28/2015, had a Balance of \$6,502.47.

No one qualified for the scholarship last year.

Tyner Community Building to be Open

The Community Building in Tyner will be open from noon until 4:00 pm on the day of the Alumni Banquet for anyone who wishes to view the photos and other memorabilia from Tyner.

Tyner Website

Don't forget to Visit the Tyner Website created and maintained by Alan Burkholder at: www.tyner.org. There are lots of interesting photos and articles relating to Tyner as well as other items of interest.

Man: Hey, nice earring. How long have you been wearing an earring?

Second Man: Ever since my wife found it in the car.

A new law in Kentucky says if a man dies, his widow can't claim the inheritance until she turns fourteen.

A state trooper in Arkansas pulls over a car for speeding. He approaches the driver and asks "Got an I.D.?" Driver replies " 'Bout whut?"

When I first started publishing this newsletter I was having 700 copies printed by my local Office Depot. Most of those copies were mailed. For the past ten or so years I have been printing the newsletter myself which means I can print exactly as many as I need. That original number has been dropping in the past few years to where it looks like I will be printing and mailing about 450 copies. Most of that drop in numbers has been due to deaths of alumni members coupled with the fact that people can receive their copy of the newsletter via the Internet.

In fact, I have a list of over 70 individuals who have agreed to receive their copy that way and I would like to get as many more alumni members as possible to do the same. Each copy of the newsletter costs 49 cents just for the postage. The paper, labels and envelopes add additional cost. Then there is the labor of printing, folding, stuffing envelopes and affixing labels (2) and stamps to each one.

So, if you have a computer and have access to the Internet for web browsing or email, please consider requesting your newsletter be delivered via the Internet instead of via U.S. Postal Service. You will receive it earlier than those who get the hard copy and you will be able to read it on your computer screen, print it and read it and/or store it on your computer where you will have access to it whenever you wish.

Also, for those who may not be aware, we have a Googlegroups Alumni Email list with about 100 members. It is where the members exchange information regarding the Tyner Alumni and the Tyner community in general. It is open to anyone with an interest in Tyner and/or the alumni. The list does not generate a lot of traffic and we try to limit any discussions to Alumni/Tyner related items so there is no need for concern about having your mailbox overwhelmed.

Please let me know if you wish to take advantage of either or both of these options.

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2014 Tyner Alumni Banquet Minutes

The 97th Tyner High School Alumni Banquet was hosted by the Class of 1964 and was held at Christo's Banquet Center, Plymouth, Indiana.

Registration and Social Hour was from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Donna (Schmeltz) Wood welcomed the 166 Tyner Alumni and friends.

The Invocation was given by Mike Matz. We were served a delicious meal family style. After the meal Donna Wood served as Master of Ceremonies.

Donna Wood asked for a time of Silence to remember deceased alumni and friends who have passed away this year; the list was in the 2014 Newsletter.

Dewey Cowen introduced those present from the 50th year Honor Class of 1964. He also named their spouses/friends.

Barbara (Stull) Milligan

Joan (Morris) Labadie & husband Chuck

Tom Leininger & wife Susan

Sharon (Roush) Grady-McKay & dau Heather

Emma Mae (Creech) Brown

Wayne Rough & wife Sandy '66

Donna (Schmeltz) Wood

Mike Matz

Ann Lynn (Baughman) LeHue

Rosetta (Kling) Harrell & husband Bill

Nenneth (Howell) Klinedinst

Dewey Cowen & wife Sharon

Arlene (Holm) Keb

Dennis Burch & wife Linda

Larry Barden & wife Judi

The Class of '64 was also pleased to welcome former classmate Tom Brubaker and wife Kathleen.

The Tyner Class of 1954, 60th year, was introduced by Bill Smith.

Ken Allen

George Killian

Patty (Killian) Schultz

John McGovern & wife Judy

Joanne (Keller) Chandler

Evelyn (Norris) Shilts

Carl Steinke

Bill Smith & wife Sue Kay

David "Lewis" Sarber

Jane (Keck) Hogue

The members of the honored classes of '54 and '64 were each given a carnation from the head table.

Donna Wood then introduced the two former teachers present; Miss Mary Ellen Hission and John Drews and wife Colleen.

Donna introduced the rest of the alumni present by naming the graduation year and having members stand or wave.

Max Haag made a motion to accept the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports. Tom Leininger seconded. Last years Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports were accepted as published in the Newsletter.

The Very R. Klinedinst Scholarship recipient for this past year was Cole Jacobson. Cole received a \$1000 scholarship and will be attending Notre Dame.

The Wilma Martin Scholarship was not given out this year as no one was planning on becoming a teacher.

Donna thanked Nenneth (Howell) Klinedinst, Ann Lynn (Baughman) LeHue and Dewey Cowen for working with her on the Banquet Committee. She also thanked several of the class of 1964 for helping with the banquet. A big thank you to Noral Baughman for sending the Banquet invitations along with the annual Tyner Newsletter and keeping the alumni addresses current. Please send your email addresses to Noral to save time and money on next year's mailing. Thanks to Betty Berkeypile for printing the programs.

Gene Reese and Linda Struble have agreed to chair the 2015 Alumni Committee. The Banquet has been set for June 6, 2015 at Christo's Banquet Center, Plymouth, Indiana.

The Banquet came to a close with former Tyner cheerleaders leading in the school song.

Submitted by,

Sharon (Roush) Grady-McKay

Jim Huffman, Class of '59 Teaches and Travels

Jim Huffman is teaching history (3 courses, on colonialism, revolutions, and World War II) on the University of Virginia's Semester at Sea program. They departed San Diego on January 5 and will end up in Southampton, England on April 29. There are about 625 students and 40 faculty members aboard. Jim teaches classes every day while at sea, then spends anywhere from one to six days in the ports that they visit in Hawaii, Japan, China, Vietnam, Singapore, Myanmar, India, Mauritius, South Africa, Namibia, and Morocco.

Jim wrote me recently from Namibia where he had been on a camping trip into the Namib desert.

"Right now, we're in Namibia. I've never seen anything like this before. The three camping days were spectacular. I've never seen such emptiness: such overpowering and wonderful emptiness. We drove over four hours without seeing a building. Coming back took 8 hours, seven of those on unpaved roads. Sometimes the landscape was nothing but flat sand, sometimes sand filled with desert scrub, sometimes sand dunes, sometimes rolling, rocky mountains. The variety was stunning. From time to time we would see oryx, zebras, ostriches, or springboks.

"Camping itself was fun, with terrific campfire meals. And the highlight was a sunrise hike in Soussusvlei, where the sand dunes were about 800 feet high and the packed valley floor was dotted with twisted trees that had been dead for more than 600 years. The hard ground looked like a Roman mosaic. We asked how old some of the human footprints were and they said, 'They're new because it rained 3 years ago and made the ground impressionable for a little while that day.' There was something quite spiritual about the whole place.

"The whole voyage has been filled with things that make one realize what an amazing globe we inhabit. Tonight, we're off for 12 straight days of sailing and classes before Morocco, and on April 30 I get home."

How do you know that a dog is man's best friend? Try this experiment: Lock your dog and your spouse in the trunk of your car and drive around for an hour. Return home, open the trunk lid and see which one is glad to see you.

Les Edgerton, Class of '61 Continues to Write & Publish

My 18th book came out this year, a black comedy crime caper titled, *THE GENUINE, IMITATION, PLASTIC KIDNAPPING*. Earlier in the year, New Pulp Press published my noir novel, *THE BITCH*. I'll be the keynote speaker at the annual Oklahoma Writer's Federation in Oklahoma City, OK, and will be appearing at three writing events in Texas in May. An appearance at the San Antonio Writer's Club on May 12, working as a staff member/presenter at the Writer's Retreat Workshop at the Oblate Retreat in San Antonio from May 14-21. I'll be presenting an all-day workshop in Austin for the Writer's League of Texas on May 16 and participation in an all-day panel and book-signing at the BookPeople Bookstore in Austin on May 23. Later in the year, I'll participate in a panel at the annual Bouchercon Conference in Raleigh, N.C. Lots of other stuff, but those are some of the main events.

Class of 1965 Plans Reunion

The class of 1965 will be having, a 50 year reunion, on June 5th 2015, at Shiloh Woods, just east of Tyner on Quince road. We will enjoy a full meal, share lots of memories, photos, memorabilia and the fun times at Tyner High School.

It can't be 50 years already !! Just seems like yesterday that we were walking the halls and making plans to attend anything that was going on at school. Living in the Tyner area, school was where things happened. We belonged to clubs like Sunshine, 4H, FFA & etc. Our winter highlights were our basketball games. And of course checking with friends about their plans.

Class of 1955 Will Get Together

The class of 1955 will meet Friday, June 5th at the Tyner Community Building at 2:00 p.m.

Class members are encouraged to bring pictures and hobby projects to display.

Refreshments will be catered later in the afternoon.

Anyone who attended elementary school or high school with the 1955 class is invited.

Why was there only bread and wine at the Last Supper?
Because it was a potluck and only men were invited.

Tyner/Polk Township Area Deaths

Thanks to Ben Burger for helping maintain this list.

Roy Lamar Burch	5-14-31	1-20-14	82	Class of 1949
Paul Swanson	6-08-30	1-23-14	84	Class of 1949
F. Devon Grenert	7-18-39	1-24-14	75	Class of 1957
Larry D. Clark	2-11-45	1-31-14	68	Lived in Teegarden, NLHS
Mary E. Stoneburner	10-19-21	2-01-14	92	Polk Twp Resident
June Huffman	6-13-19	2-02-14	94	Bob Huffman's wife
Lucille Schmeltz	9-11-25	2-05-14	88	Gene's wife, PT resident
Martin C. Steinke	10-23-31	2-17-14	82	PT resident
Scott A. Brovold	8-04-59	2-23-14	54	PT resident, JGHS graduate
Adolph P. Leininger	9-21-17	3-10-14	96	Former PT resident
Myra L. (Foster) Marker	5-13-47	3-26-14	65	Class of 1965
Joan C. Henderson	2-11-30	3-27-14	84	Former PT resident
Genova Arlene Kaser	4-27-22	4-04-14	91	Former PT resident
Laura M. Hathaway	9-26-23	4-28-14	91	Former PT resident
Violet (Bass) Schoof	2-21-21	5-03-14	93	Class of 1939
Jack Norman Preston	5-06-50	5-08-14	64	PT resident & Tyner School
Patricia (Long) Boggs	??	5-12-14	68	Class of 1964
Janis Eileen (Eckstein) Vancza	6-29-41	5-16-14	72	Class of 1959
Jean Lowry	3-14-42	5-22-14	72	PT resident, Joe's wife
Wanda (Spaid) Balsey	7-10-23	6-12-14	90	Class of 1941
Edna (Piper) Snyder	5-14-16	6-16-14	98	Class of 1932
Doris Jane (Kinney) Berger	3-20-40	7-21-14	74	Class of 1959
Dorothea Lee (Newcomb) Stoffer	10-16-31	8-02-14	82	Class of 1949
Betty (Long) Geible	2-08-23	8-08-14	91	Class of 1941
Norman Klinedinst	8-12-31	10-01-14	83	Class of 1949
Barbara Pedersen	6-08-29	10-04-14	85	Wife of former coach
Art Brock	5-22-27	10-05-14	87	Former teacher at THS
David Miller	6-03-26	10-26-14	88	PT resident
Ned Haag	10-09-33	10-31-14	81	Class of 1951
Julia Fern Hurford	3-01-31	11-04-14	83	PT resident
Carol Parker	8-23-48	11-13-14	66	PT resident
Carol Ann Sarber	2-23-34	11-29-14	80	PT resident
Mary Ellen Lowry	12-07-34	12-27-14	87	Former PT resident
Marjorie Struble	7-14-25	1-02-15	89	Former PT resident
Raymond C. Cole	6-30-30	1-11-15	84	PT resident
Rodger G. Philbrook	12-24-46	1-18-15	68	Class of 1964
Alfena (Kazlas) Norville	4-07-29	2-10-15	86	Class of 1947
Brett Halsey	7-06-60	2-20-15	54	Bus Driver Ray's son
Bea Drake	5-29-22	2-24-15	92	PT resident, Keith's wife
Steve Perschbacher	1-24-42	2-25-15	73	Husband of Janet Baughman
David Thompson	4-04-44	2-26-15	70	Class of 1962
Don Adams	??	3-02-15	76	Son of Mary Adams Martin
James E. McCombs	3-02-26	3-02-15	89	Class of 1944
Woody Cochran	5-26-38	3-27-15	76	Class of 1956
Edna L. Cowen	11-5-25	3-27-15	89	Children Attended THS
Fredonna (Lemert) Bergstrom	10-11-21	4-12-15	93	Born in Tyner, lived in area

Tyner Alumni Treasurer's Report

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Beginning Balance 16 Apr 2014	3224.99	3224.99
Deposit 30 May 2014	3853.00	7077.99
Christo's Down Payment	-500.00	6577.99
Christo's Balance Due	-3096.23	3481.76
Betty Berkeypile Programs	-40.00	3441.76
N. Klinedinst Expenses (Flowers/Supplies)	-69.42	3372.34
Marshall County Scholarship	-150.00	3222.34
Meals Paid For At The Door	208.00	3430.34
ENDING BALANCE (1 Jul 2014)		3430.34

Submitted by: *Nenneth Klinedinst*

TYNER DAYS AT SEBRING, FLORIDA FEBRUARY 21, 2015

There were 51 people that came to celebrate Tyner Days at Homers Restaurant. That was the number that Ken Allen and Joe Bottorff agreed upon. Vickie Burger and Linda Burkholder counted 48. The signup sheet indicated 40 people so there were a few that did not sign the register.

Those who signed in are as follows:

Ken and Marty Allen
Joe and Sally Lemert Bottorff
Dennis Burch
Ben and Vickie Burger
Gene Burger
Ron and Linda Burkholder
Ralph and Joanne Keller Chandler
Sandy Cochran Jr.
Woody Cochran
Terri Bottorff Dixon
Duane and Sue Drake
Glenn and Lorie (Lorraine Mullet) Jacob
Terry and Joyce Morris Kaser
Janis Keller Lockwood
Roger and Arlene Fouts McCan
Nilas and Bev Miller
Richard and Jeannie Miller
Dale and Cathy Peterson
Glen and Joby Petry
Jim and Sandy Pontius
Cheri Bottorff Sauer
Bob and Evelyn Pontius Smith
Phyllis Shank Smith
Don and Marlene Bottorff Swank

Some people who attended Tyner Days in years past:

Betty Burger (Mrs. Gene Burger) is fighting a cold,

Susie Brubaker Weybright reported that her husband, Bill, is recovering from an aneurysm that happened on January 19th.

Ted and Deanna Jacobson sold their house in Florida and opted to stay in Indiana.

Ben Burger agreed to serve as President of Tyner Days and make arrangements for the meeting at Homers each year.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY 20, 2016 MEETING OF TYNER DAYS AT 11:00 A.M. AT HOMER'S RESTAURANT. DINNER AT NOON.

A NEW RELATIONSHIP WITH A TYNER PAST

Pete Booz (1954 graduate of Bourbon High School) and Jarda Kay Long (1959 graduate of Tyner High School) became fast friends when they began commenting on "Fond Memories of Bourbon"; the bonding continued with their commitment to be together the rest of their lives when they moved into their apartment in Escondido, CA last December 2014.

Not only did they have the memories to recall of their growing up years in Bourbon but Pete's grandfather, Delph McKesson, was born and raised in Tyner. "D. L.", as he was known, took over Tyner H. S. in 1901 and remained until his last class graduated in 1906 when he accepted a position at Plymouth where he was Principal at Webster School until 1911. In 1911 D. L. passed the bar exam and became a lawyer thus ending his career in education. He would remain in Plymouth the rest of his life becoming a prominent and respected citizen and businessman.

There must have been a lot of McKessons in the Tyner area at that time for if you look at the accompanying photo the girl by D. L.'s right elbow was his sister Ethel; the girl by his left elbow his future wife Rachel; and to her left a youngish looking boy who was D. L.'s 1st cousin, Theodore McKesson. Pete's grandmother, Rachel Jones, was in this graduating class and a student of Delph's. They married in 1907 and eventually moved to Plymouth where they had three children one of which was Pete's mother, Fern McKesson.

Research begun and concluded in March of this year brought out some interesting inter-relationships which the principals of this story were completely unaware! Pete's great-grandmother was one Romanza Oren who married George Jones in 1882 in Wabash County. Romanza and George Jones had four daughters, Goldie, Rachel, Stella, and Mary. Rachel was born in 1886 in Roann, IN which is in Wabash County. In 1899 Romanza remarried one "W. H. F. Banks" in Polk Twp. so George had probably passed and by 1900 so had Mr. Banks. The 1900 Census has Romanza in Tyner with her four daughters. Pete's grandmother Rachel Jones had a sister four years her junior, Stella, who was Bill Killian's grandmother making Pete and Bill second cousins! They just met each other a few weeks ago in Tucson AND Jarda was Bill's Senior Prom date in 1957.



**98th ANNUAL
TYNER HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI BANQUET**

You Are Cordially Invited To Attend the 98th Annual Tyner Alumni Banquet on
Saturday, June 6th 2015 at
Christo's Banquet Center, 830 Lincoln Way East, Plymouth, IN
Registration & Social Hour: 5:00–6:00P.M.
Dinner: 6:00—7:00 P.M.—General Meeting Starting at 7:00 P.M.

FIFTY-YEAR HONOR CLASS OF 1965

Martha (Baughman) Derf	Gene Reese
Allen Capes	Janice (Rennells) Myers
Regina Dipert	Gloria Replogle (d)
Linda (Drews) Benjamin	Joe Ross
Frank Erdelyi (d)	Norm Ross
Larry Ernsberger (d)	Shirley Ross
Myra Foster (d)	Janet Rough (d)
Steve Frazier	Jerry Schmeltz (d)
Darold Hathaway	Linda (Shank) Underwood
Claudia (Henderson) Sailor	Sharon (Skiles) Cole
Phil Jacobson	Delmas Stiles
Jim Jordan	Linda (Stiles) Fleck
Norman LaMunion	Marge (Stoneburner) Ecker
Judy Lowry	Linda Struble
Fred Miller	Sandra Thomas (d)
Lyle Miller	Linda Warren
Garry Norton (d)	Linda (Whitaker) Waldrop
Hal Patterson	Dale Wringer (d)
Mary Ann (Pugh) Mullins	Lee Zumbaugh
Trudy (Ream) Graham	

SIXTY-YEAR HONOR CLASS OF 1955

Norma (Barden) Donzero	Carol (Lamunion) Huebner
Betty (Baughman) Metcalf	Sally (Lemert) Bottonoff
Beverly (Capes) Strang	Wanda (Lowry) Anderson (d)
Sandra (Carlson) Dunn	Jean (Lowry) Hoefling (d)
Patricia (Close) Pearish	Beulah (Miller) Bozenski
Arlene (Fouts) McCan	Richard Morris (d)
Winifred (Gardner) Smith	Victor Newberg (d)
Joel Haag	Virginia (Rough) Rough-Morris
Adele (Holm) Shinholt	Janice (Shank) Carrico
Ted Jacobson	Phyllis (Shank) Smith
Sue Ann (Jacobson) Fontanes	Connie (Smith) Godlevski (d)
Keith Kaiser	Merril Sue (Smith) Harris
Janis (Keller) Lockwood	Rotraut (Weilandt) Lippke
Chuck Killian	Jerry Zehner
Shirley Kirkham	Gene Zink
Norma (Klinedinst) Haworth	

DINNER MENU SERVED FAMILY STYLE

Roast Chicken & Dressing, Swiss Steak, Fresh-Mashed Potatoes, Butter Egg Noodles, Green Bean Almondine, California Blend, Rolls & Butter, Salad w/Ranch/French/Poppy Seed Dressing, Peppermint or Vanilla Ice Cream, Coffee, Water, Hot Tea, Iced Tea, Lemonade.

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**Please Return Reservations by
May 22nd
Make Checks Payable to
"Tyner Alumni Association"**

Total Number of Reservations (@ \$23.00 ea.) _____ Total Amount Enclosed _____
Name _____ To Be Seated with Class of: _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
Phone _____ email: _____

If spouse/guest wishes to be seated with a class different from above, please indicate below:

Name: _____ Class of: _____