

Copy of Hurt Family Bulletin Board Postings between Jan-1999 and Jan-2003
AKA – Jan's Bulletin Board

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Item	Posted By	Bulletin Information
1	1/12/2003	jan

I had a great Christmas! What about you? We'd love to hear how and with whom you spent Christmas and any other Holidays. It's a good way to get news of the other family members; then we don;t have to wait 'til the once-a-year Reunion to catch-up on the news about each other. Christmas Eve Day, Jon and Matt left the Chicago area enroute to Casey when they were about 20 minutes into the trip the snow storm hit. Proceeding at about 40 mph they arrived at my house at 10.30 PM after over a 6 1/2 hr. trip. We had Christmas dinner at Phillip/Imogene's house. Jon had edited onto a CD Phillip's years of home movie movie reels. Great reminiscing!

2	1/11/2003	jan
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Doris Sweet had a bad fall 12/28/02 in the local grocery store, breaking her nose, cutting her lip and other body bruises. The ambulance took her to Emergency and she was able to return home. As she was getting an item from the shelf, a stockgirl came around the corner with a high-piled cart, not seeing Doris until they made contact resulting in Doris falling. She has had a face of many colors; black, then many hues, red, purple, blue, green. As of today 1/11/03 her face is practically back to normal. What a gall! She doesn't let anything get the best of her.

3	2/20/2002	jon
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Hello, if you haven't yet heard about theFamilies WebSite, please check it out at theFamilies.bravepages.com.

Sign the guestbook to share your email addr with others who visit the site. If you have your own website -- click on share a link and let everyone know about it. If you have an interesting topic to share, then click on the Message Forum and let us all know what's news. If you have pictures -- upload them where we can all see them by clicking on the photo album link.

Finally, PLEASE, use the form at the very bottom of the page to add yourself to theFamilies mailing list so you'll get a mail message about changes to the site.

4	1/28/2002	jon
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Wallace Family has a new website -- if you would like to visit the URL is: thor.prohosting.com/~jwallace/jon

Enjoy...

5	8/25/2001	jon
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Anybody still out there? I ordered a telescope: Meade ETX90-RA which I hope to have by the time we come down to Casey next Saturday. The night sky's are great there when it isn't cloudy. The scope uses a 90MM objective and has a 1250MM focal length -- so its images should be bright and clear for night time star-gazing.

6 7/8/2001 jon

I'm retiring Friday the 13th (unlucky for Lucent, I'm sure). Company offered a 5+5 (age + service) enhancement to entice folks into taking early retirement. Result is I'm at 24+ years and get an extra chunk of money -- so its goodbye to Lucent.

7 6/10/2001 jon

Doris is now using stereo hearing aides (both ears) and the results are, I'm told fantastic. She is pretty much back to normal conversational level of hearing ability -- these new devices are pretty potent.

Anyone using this bulletin board anymore? I never see any posts....

8 4/22/2001 jon

Jan has a new website - with 20 new pictures. Bookmark [Jan's HomePage](#).

9 2/1/2001 jan

Phillip called me this morning and said that Onawa has given birth to a son; weighing in at over 8 lbs. Birth was by Caesarian Section.

At the time of this mail, Phillip and Imogene hadn't yet talked with Onawa. They'd gotten a call from Mary, Onawa's mom.

10 12/23/2000 jon

Phil is online!

11 11/18/2000 jon

Matt's assignment in Atlanta has ended early. He won't get to winter there -- the contract with Southern Energy was recently terminated; I don't know the details, but it sounds like there was a dispute between his company and Southern Energy over unpaid changes Southern demanded late in the product delivery. TenFold management decided not to pursue delivery of the additional capabilities, and will probably sue for billed/unpaid services.

Anyway, Matt's returning to the Tenfold Chicago offices to take on a new assignment in the energy trading markets. I expect to be apartment hunting with him over the next few months.

Pat, Matt, Kathy, and myself plan to visit my mom in Casey over Thanksgiving -- hope to see

some of you there too!

12 9/20/2000 jan

Here is a few news items of family members: EdnaBelle & Dick just returned from a 7 day Carribean Cruise and reported really enjoying it!

Katherine Shelby broke the little finger on the right hand recently when she and the ladder she was on suddenly parted company unexpectedly. Little Finger, hurry and get well!

Loistel&Dave Summerville are spending 2 weeks visiting Suzy and Tim in Las Vegas, to return 9/23.

SEND YOUR NEWS TO BULLETIN BOARD!

13 9/15/2000 jon

OK -- got some pictures from the reunion. Go find yourself (If you were there) by clicking On: the picture page

14 8/30/2000 char

Hi to all that read the bulletin board. Tom & I will not be at the reunion this year. We are going to visit Lisa/Tim/Maggie & Drew who now live in Cleveland, OH. Lori & Jeremy are planing to come though. All of us moved this summer. I don't have my address book at work (where I am now) to give you Lisa/ Lori's address but ours is 2424 Salem Dr. Charleston, IL 61920.

The latest news on Maggie & Drew are 14 Mo. old now and started walking just before their 14th Mo. Lisa is already having them set time out for discipline. We're going to miss seeing all of you that come to the picnic.

15 8/24/2000 jon

Glad to hear Loistell is going to bring some of the Geneology info she's been putting together to the reunion; I hope we can get it web-linked at some point, so all the rest of us can browse the info.

Matt and Therese plan to come to the reunion (they'll drive down from U of I Sunday). Kathy is coming down with Pat and I, probably Friday night.

Saw Ron's name as a panelist/speaker for the DCI busines portals forum -- now that he's moved from CTO at GM to CEO at XML, I was wondering if he'll still talk about GM's vertical portal effort at the conference. Lot's of fun stuff to talk about when we all get together!

16 8/24/2000 loistel

Looking forward to the reunion...It is so nice to see everyone.

I hope to have part of OUR genealogy to show but still have a long way to go. I also hope to have some pictures none of you have seen to go with our history.

We will miss Edna Belle & Dick this year as the last I heard they wouldn't be able to stay for the reunion.

Sandra & Jim are remodeling their house this summer and they will tell us all about what they have gotten done.

I took a peek at my last message and had quite a laugh at the spelling so I took it off, I hope. I thought I had checked spelling and mistakes!

17 8/19/2000 jon

Again -- the Procom server was denying private CGI scripts to run for about a week. I know my mom and Charlotte both got server 500 internal error reports -- so I again asked Procom to check their server policy and again we're back on line.... sorry for the inconvenience -- not much I can do about this I'm afraid.

18 8/1/2000 jon

You may have noticed the BB was unavailable for 3 days. My scripts were disabled by the free-cgi server -- but after a little email with procom everything has been restored... or maybe nobody noticed anything because nobody ever logs in anymore?

19 7/22/2000 jon

I heartily recommend Glen Ellyn's "Le Deux Gros"! We had a four-course meal which took 3 hours to complete and left us both totally sated. I left \$185 bucks on the table, and don't think I'll ever be hungry again (well at least until tomorrow).

One thing that is very nice about restaurant courses is that you can carry on an extended conversation at the table and still have time to eat. There's a lot to be said for this style of eating. Bon Appetit.

20 7/22/2000 jon

Pat and I will celebrate our 28th Anniversary tonight by going to Le Deux Gros, which I believe is French for "the two fatties" (the chefs there are rather rotund). And even better, the tab will be on Lucent, since they promised those of us who did Y2K duty over New Years Eve a dinner for two on the company. I'll give you my critique of the cuisine after we've dined.

Hey, haven't seen much posted on the bulletin board lately, except me, Jan, and Loistell; what

are all you dead-beats out there doing these days? If you've forgotten your password let me know and I'll send you email. Au Revoir!

21 7/5/2000 jon

Hi-- Mike rode in the Casey 4th of July parade. Here are three pictures I snapped as he went by: Coming up the street.

Very Military - Seen any Injuns?

22 6/2/2000 jan

I haven't made any entries for months I don't know if anyone is checking the board or not. Anyway, I've been having a lot of dental work done since March and recently had eye surgery (inflammation & cataract) so I haven't used the computer much- So I hope that those of you that have a password for the bulletin board will tell us about your activities! Loistel has been very busy with geneology(sp?) and has a picture of Eli Hurt - my grandpa, or my Dad's Dad. Maybe she'll put it on the B.Board, also, has my Grandma, i.e. my mother's mother, Ally Coon Wood. (Patsy Allyson, you were named after her.

23 5/15/2000 jon

Hi -- Matt graduated from UIUC on May 13th. I took a few pictures and have put them on Jan's Web site --- you can go there from this posting by clicking here

When you get done playing there - you can close that window and you'll be right back at the bulletin board.

Oh, in case your wondering why all these advertisements started showing up on our bulleting board, its because I'm using a netserver host that doesn't charge a monthly fee for me to run this CGI script based bulletin board -- so they put their adds in my scripts to make it worth their while.

Seems like a fair trade -- if you see any stuff that looks interesting, just click and explore.

24 4/15/2000 jon

Matt has accepted a job with TenFold, a company that markets software solutions for business' use. He will start 7/1, with about a month's training in Nevada, then return to the Chicago headquarters and begin supporting the customer teams as they configure their software applications for various customers.

Matt thought this job would give him an opportunity to travel and see the "inside" operations of a number of client corporations. They also got his attention with the stock option plan, which I hear has become a common tie-breaker among companys shopping for talent these days.

We wish hime well -- I'm sure it'll be an interesting experience.

25 2/22/2000 jon

Matt is graduating May 10th, with a BA in Business and Finance; his area of interest has been in marketing and related operations. Anyway, he's been doing interviews over the last month, and has two invites to do follow up visits at Zenith (Glenview, IL) and Target Stores Corporate (Minneapolis, MN).

He said the interview activities were taking up so much of his time that he probably would not be able to go anywhere over spring break at the end of March.

He is planning on taking several weeks right after he graduates to visit with friends at Myrtle Beach, SC; so he should be very rested when he finally starts the 9-5 thing.

Kathy is in her second semester at UIC, and seems to be doing well. She is an undeclared major in the liberal arts, but seems to be gravitating toward journalism and foreign languages. I think she is also looking forward to summer vacation.

Maybe I'll take a summer vacation soon, who knows, it sure sounds like fun.

26 1/31/2000 jan

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, BRENDA!

27 1/30/2000 jan

Great to hear all your families' news, Char. I e-mailed Lori good wishes on her engagement and spring wedding, and congratulations to you and Tom. Never a dull moment in your household, it seems, and now a wedding to plan for!

EdnaBelle&Dick returned to Florida the middle of January, both leaving Illinois with respiratory problems and not they are recovering, EdnaBelle, from pneumonia: Dick, from bronchitis. Latest report, upand around but still taking medication.

We're okay here in Casey. I started volunteering 2 days/week helping 4th grd. reading.

28 1/28/2000 char

Hi to all who read this.

The news just keeps coming. Our year of 2000 is becoming quite eventful. First let me talk about Maggie & Drew. They turned 7mo old on Jan.21. Drew popped his first tooth just before his 6mo birthday and a 2nd one has been showing for several weeks. Maggie's 1st tooth is just now coming through. They are both setting up but Maggie is pulling herself up to stand up. She may be crawling real soon. Drew can go from laying down to sitting up. Im sure you all are just so

excited to hear all this. Well, label me a excited Grandma.

Tim has accepted a job with National City Bank and will start Aug. 14 in Cleveland, OH. So, Lisa & Tim will be moving this summer. Tim will be in training for aprox. a year and then could be transfered to another location. This move will be an emotional moment for us because it will be a 8-9 hr. drive to see them.

I'm not finished with news. . . Lori became engaged on Monday, Jan 17 to Jeremy Morton. She has a beautiful ring and the most excited countenance with all that is happening in her life. Jeremy is working towards becoming a Pastor. He works at KalkKan in Mattoon in the lab dept for now until his traing is complete to become a Pastor and has a church to Pastor. Lori is very thrilled with this.

She is busy with wedding plans as they have set a date to be married on May 13, 2000. Yes, that is less than 3mo. away. Things are hopping around our house. Lisa & Lori's Birthdays are Feb. 5 & 6 and Lisa is coming that weekend for their birthday. Lisa will be 34 and Lori will be 27. Love to all of you. Char

29 1/18/2000 jan

Loistel's Retirement Reception was a super "Whingding"! Many people attended, and there were some really neat recognition speeches - then the local paper carried a 4 page spread covering pictures and write-up of it all. It was a fitting recognition for Loistel's 31 years as Librarian and all the extra-special things she did there.

30 1/8/2000 jon

Just a note -- I believe Loistel's email address is lsummerville@rr1.net, instead of tsummerville@rr1.net as indicated in Jan's email of 12/31.

31 1/5/2000 char

We had a very eventful Christmas break! We watched Lisa's dogs while they drove to N.Y. and were gone until Mon.the 3rd. The dog news is: Blue the little dachshund went out for bathroom duty and didn't come back. She was missing all night & it was the coldest night in long time. To make a long story short She was turned in to the dog pound & we called the next morn.to discover she was there. About a week later she ate a bag of balloons (15) in all and a trip to the vet saying to just watch her. She did ok. We watched her eliminate those balloons 1 or two at a time and I don't think all came out. Montana the Lab had a 5 minute seizure while she was with us. Something we had never experienced. She has been on meds for this.

The major mind boggler for the break was Lori has made some major changes in her life. She was not feeling enthused as she has all these years about her missions work in Mexico. That went on for several months. She couldn't under stand why this feeling was overwhelming her so much. She really prayed, & prayed about this and wanted to know if she was meant to go or if the Lord was puting in her heart to stay. After a long struggle and to make another long story short., she felt lead by the Lord to not pursue her mission opportunity in Mexico. She is staying in the area and pursuing the ministeries she has started here.

To further make our heads spin is the fact that Lori has met a guy whom she has been friends with but since they found out Lori's path has been changed to stay around have pursued a relationship on a deeper level. They are very serious.

So that was our Christmas break in a nut shell. We are still absorbing all these changes. It takes a while. What a way to start a new year. Anyone else have an exciting Christmas & New Year?

32 12/31/1999 jan

Loistel is now officially retired from her thirty plus years as Casey Township Librarian She is getting much recognition in appreciation for all she has accomplished in those thirty-some years. Among other activities, a recognition tea is being held for her on 1/9 in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church, sponsored by the Women's Club of Casey and the Library Board. Loistel is especially pleased that Tim will be flying in from Las Vegas for the weekend to attend the tea along with the other family members.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT, LOISTEL!

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Casey, IL 62420

33 12/31/1999 jan

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:
LARRY HURT - 1/9 - No online address
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Casey, IL 62420

RON SHELBY - 1/14 - ronshelby@yahoo.com
Box 707
Northville, MI 48167

BRENDA SUMMERVILLE - 1/30 - l914@fgi.net
809 Oxford Dr.
Chatham, IL 62629

KATHERINE SHELBY - 1/31 - IndyLeigh@aol.com
6844 Willow Rd.
Indianapolis, IN 46220

34 12/30/1999 jan

Phillip & Imogene were hosts to a delicious buffet dinner for the family on Wednesday, 12/22; their beautiful Holiday Decorations (both inside and out) were a DELIGHT! - Those present were Loistel, Dave, Char, Tom, Larry, EdnaBelle, Dick, Doris, Me (Jan), Phil Alan,

and Patsy Allyson, who spent a week with Imogene and Phillip. Lots of good visiting!
****See Char's 12/17 entry to hear about Char, Chris and Larry's Christmas plans.--
****See Jon's 12/25 entry & pictures-about their Christmas. Loistel&Dave spent
Christmas Day with Mike&Brenda, Then home to spend Christmas evening with Scott, Linda, &
and Greg. *****Jon made a special drive to Casey Thursday to bring me a Christmas
present--They gave me a monitor with a 21" screen! Jon had to come in order to get it
hooked up. I'm really enjoying it The bigger size makes a such a difference!

35 12/30/1999 jan

Family News: EdnaBelle & Dick drove back to Illinois, arriving at Doris' 12/20, then,
taking Doris with them on 12/23, drove to Indynapls (to Katherine's) staying there thru
Christmas morning, then on to Beth/Terry's for Christmas Day. They returned to Casey on
Monday, 27th, so Doris could keep a Dr. appt the next day. Now, they are at Katherine's
and plan to spend New Year's Eve and Day with Ron, Susan and Richard in MI. Doris decided
to stay in Casey to see the New Year in.

EdnaBelle has knee surgery scheduled on 1/5, in Indnpls. Best Wishes for a SPEEDY
RECOVERY, EdnaBelle!

36 12/25/1999 jon

Merry Christmas all, here are pictures of my mom with her new 17-inch monitor, and the
rest of us doing Christmas morning in Glen Ellyn: pic01, pic02, pic03, pic04, pic05, pic06,
pic07, pic08, pic09

37 12/18/1999 jon

Ho-Ho-Ho, and a verry Merry Christmas from the Wallaces. I had two trees removed back
in November. I took some before and after pictures of the front and back yards;

Front with pine ,

Front without pine ,

Back with Maple ,

Back without Maple ,

And of course Christmas wouldn't be complete without a picture of our Christmas tree (we
just put it up today)

38 12/17/1999 char

Merry Christmas to All my family reading this. Lisa and Tim will be driving to N.Y. for Christmas
to spend time with his parents and brother. So, Lisa & Tim are at our house this Thur, Fri. and

going back Sat. We are have our Christmas with them while they are here. Tom, Lori & I will go to Gibson City for Christmas at his brothers house. The brother that has twin boys that are 3 1/2. All the Royal kids get together at one of our houses each year. We will be going to Chris & Beckys house on the 26th and spend the day with them. I received a e-mail card from Jon & Pat at work where lam connected with internet. But I couldn't retrieve this. Thank you anyway Jon & Pat.

Loistell, congratulations on your big decission on the Big R. Im sure you wont't be sorry. There are too may things you can and want to do.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, FAMILY! I LOVE YOU. Char

39 12/4/1999 jan

Edna Belle's recent e-mail was not "happy" news. When she returned home after being in Illinois for a month and a half, helping Doris recover from the pneumonia, she and Dick found the refrigerator ice maker had decided to start leaking and ruined 3 cabinets. In addition,for some time Edna Belle's knee had bothered her when she put weight on it. She has just learned, after having a recent MRI that cartilage was torn and surgery was recommended to correct it.

We're thinking of you, Edna Belle, and are sending our good wishes, along with the thought that there will be a happy ending to these problems!

40 12/2/1999 jan

I just had e-mail from Patsy Allyson that she had made flight reservations so she could spend Christmas with Phillip & Imogene, December 20th through the 29th.

Dick & Edna Belle are planning to drive to Illinois arriving 12/18. The plans now are for Doris, Dick & Edna Belle to spend Christmas Day at Beth & Terry's. So far, that is the only Christmas plans of the family that I know of.

Notice on the December Birthday/Anniversary list, I listed the e-mail addresses - I want to encourage you to send e-mail greetings on the special days --

41 12/2/1999 jan

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Linda Summerville - 12/6

Sherry Morris - 12/12

sherry3k@juno.com

Jon Wallace - 12/14

wallace47@aol.com

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Patsy Allyson & David Beck - 12/30

David db_beck@wt.net

Patsy Allyson abeck@mga-law.com

42 11/18/1999 jon

Got a call at 1:30 AM this morning from an Ameritec Cellular person, telling me the Champaign police had possession of a cell phone belonging to me. The police wanted the phone's owner to call them, so they could follow up on its possible theft. So, I call Matt, being all worried that he's OK, but he answers and I ask him to talk with the police. Turns out someone stole the phone out of his pick-up truck that night, and the police saw this guy acting suspicious and chased him. As he fled, he dropped the phone, which was not damaged it appears. The truck was unlocked, so the guy didn't break anything getting into it.

All the same, those AM calls that involve police are scary. I liked it better when my kiddies were home in bed in the AM instead of miles away. Glad it all had a happy ending.

43 11/12/1999 char

Hi to everyone, Well, the twins are 4 1/2 mo old. Lori & I had the day off yesterday and drove to see them. Drew can stand on his legs as you hold his hands but Maggie is still wobbly and can't keep her knees to stay study. She does roll around more than drew. They are certainly precious. They both have sweet but different personalities. Tom & I were able to take a cruse to the Fl. Keys & Cosemel,Mx. the 1st wk. of Nov. The weather was wendy coming back and the ship was rather rocky. We didn't get sick but we were still rockin even after we got back home. The realization of Lori leaving hit home when she reached over 90% of the funds she needs to go on the mission field to Mixico City.

Still not 100% yet but I don't think it will be much longer. She has some obligation to share her missions in some churches in December. Possibably the first of the year. Her heart is just a little sad thinking of leaving Maggie & Drew and not seeing them for a long while. (She didn't seem to be so bothered to leave Mom & Dad) That our latest news. Love Char

44 10/26/1999 jan

Doris was dismissed from the hospital today after being in for 13 days. Ednabelle is still with her. Doris is clear of the pneumonia, but it will take a few more days for her to get back all her strength.

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Loistel & Dave returned from their car trip to Las Vegas to visit Tim & Suzy and other trip hi-lights. I hope Loistel will have time to share with us on the BB some of the things they did, and news of Tim and Suzy.

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I just had an e-mail from Sherry saying that she was working 10 to 12 hour days hauling grain from the farmers' harvests.

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45 10/22/1999 jan

Doris is still in the hospital, having been moved to the "rehab" section. She is feeling better but still no dismissal date being projected. EdnaBelle is still spending every day with Doris, coming to Casey to Doris' house to sleep over night. Dick is still working on getting cleaned up after the rain and wind of the last hurricane did roof damage, broke windows and dumped water in the house. He has the house dried out and rugs dried and stretched, but is still waiting on the workmen to repair the roof.

46 10/15/1999 jan

Loistel & Dave left Tuesday 10/12 for a two week vacation by car to include a visit with Tim and Suzy in Las Vegas. According to their E=mail today, they arrived at Tim & Suzy's this morning-Friday.

Thurs. 10/14, Doris' doctor put her in the hospital-(Terre Haute) when she complained of difficulty breathing due to throat and upper chest mucous. EdnaBelle came in yesterday evening. I have heard no specific diagnosis. I talked to Doris on the phone today and she said she thought she could come home Sunday. GET WELL SOON, DORIS!

47 10/13/1999 jan

Loistel finally did it! She has turned in her resignation as Librarian, effective the last of December. This I know - She will certainly be missed, because they are not likely to find anyone else to equal all that Loistel did for the library during her time there! Enjoy your retirement, Loistel!

Ednabel & Dick (newly retired) returned home 10/7 after spending more than a month in this area. They plan to return to spend Thanksgiving here, too.

Sandra & Jim returned to Mississippi after a months vacation here. They bought a house in Casey while here. No retirement plans tho.

48 10/6/1999 jan

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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Alexis Delp - 10/11 - (Her 16th)

71 Rolling Hills

West Milford, NJ 07480

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Taylor Hurt - 10/23 - (His 12th)

316 Forest Hill Dr.

West Lafayette, IN 47906

49 9/30/1999 allyson

Happy Birthday Dick and Richard! We hope your day is very special!

There's not a whole lot going in Houston. The weather has finally turned-off nice and we are truly enjoying the break from the heat. Daytime highs are 80's and nighttime lows are 50's. Perfect.

David is still looking for a new job. He's hoping to land a network administrator assist. position. Meanwhile, his schedule has changed to 4, 10 hr. days with 3 days off He works M-T and has every Sat.Sun&Mon. off! Needless to say he is really enjoying his new-found time.

Til later.

50 9/27/1999 allyson

Hello everyone! I enjoyed seeing you all at the reunion. It was great cathing-up and meeting cousins I've never met before (or, if I had met, I don't remember meeting). Jon posted some pics (thank you Jon) that I took at the reunion and from our trip to Natchez, MS the weekend after the reunion. Natchez was a great town. Tons of history and beautiful antebellum homes and plantations. The pic of the plantation with the oak trees is Oak Alley in Vechere, LA. We made a 2 hour detour on our return trip to Houston from Natchez just to see this plantation. It was worth it! Thanks Sandra Lee for recommending that we stop to see Oak Alley! Kathy, your slot cannon pics were wonderful! I hope to visit that part of the country some day. Till Later.

51 9/19/1999 jon

Hi Folks,

For those of you who were waiting for family reunion pictures (mine and Allyson's) are now viewable from a temporary web-site I put up for their viewing: [click here](#) and then bookmark the webpage I've linked this bulletin into.

52 9/13/1999 pat

Thanks to all for making my Mom feel so welcome at the reunion. The turnout was wonderful. Jon took some great digital pictures, I think. He had to return to work on Tuesday the 7th after a two week vacation, so I've not actually seen them--but he promises to get them loaded and up for all to view soon.

I have only a run-of-the-mill bad cold to offer as excuse for missing the first Sept. birthday: sorry, Ednabelle. You'd think with both kids finally in college and our 'nest' considerably emptier, I'd be more organized. Alas, the reverse seems to be true. I am just in time, however, to wish Allyson a great day.

53 9/9/1999 jan

Phillip & Imogene Hurt hosted the annual Pearl & Tell Hurt Family Reunion on Sunday, 9/5. A "Special Thank You" to them for sharing with us their home and their lawn with its canopy of oak trees.

Those attending were, Loistel Summerville, Sandra & Jim Stumborg, Mike & Brenda Summerville, Lang Hawes, his friend, Robin, Lang's 3 children Shasta, Cori and Zachary, Sherry Morris, Travis Morris, Ron Hildebrand, Chris & Becky Hurt, Nathan Hurt, Taylor Hurt, Tom & Charlotte Royal, Lori Royal, Lisa Clancy, and her nearly 3 month old twins, Drew and Maggie Clancy, (they were adorable), Doris Sweet, Dick & Ednabelle Shelby, Ron & Susan Shelby, Richard Shelby, Katherine Shelby, (Thanks, Katherine, for setting up the projector to show us the slot canyon slides from your recent visit to Arizona), Jan Wallace, Jon & Pat Wallace, Matt Wallace. Kathleen Wallace, Rose Anderson, Phillip & Imogene Hurt, Phil A. Hurt, David & Patsy Allyson Beck, Onawa Hurt & friend Todd, and Al & Jeannie Seford, for a total of 45.

Have to give special recognition to Patsy for food organization, to Phillip's grilled bratwurst, David's sweet-sour bratwurst accompaniment, Doris' fried chicken, Brenda's meatballs, Imogene's peach cobbler along with all the other casseroles, salads & desserts! GREAT FOOD - GREAT CONVERSATION - WE ALL HAD a GREAT TIME!

54 9/6/1999 jan

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS;

EdnaBelle Shelby - 9/7
105 Forest Park Dr.
Vero Beach, FL 32962

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Patsy Allyson Beck - 9/13
David Beck - 9/16
4154 Lanark Lane
Houston, TX 77025

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Chris Hurt - 9/28
316 Forest Hill Dr.
West Lafayette, IN 47906

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Dick Shelby - 9/30
(See EdnaBelle's address, above)

Richard Shelby - 9/30
Box # 707
Northville, Michigan

55 9/6/1999 jan

Tony & children, Alexis and Brandon, drove in from New Jersey to Loistel/Dave's on Sunday eve. (8/22), for a 5 day visit. Sandra drove in from Mississippi to stay at Loistel/Dave's. Then, on Thursday (8/27) Loistel/Dave hosted a fish fry (Dave's Speciality) along with Loistel's casserole's and salads. It had been 2 yrs since Tony and children were in Illinois, so there was lots to talk about, Those enjoying the get together were: Tony, Alexis (now a very attractive teenager of 15), Brandon (reminded us of Tony in his pre-teen yrs.) Mike, Brenda, Sandra, Phillip, Imogene, Phil Alan, Doris, Jan, Loistel & Dave.

56 8/3/1999 jon

Pat, Strider, and myself will be spending the week of August 22nd at a lakeside cabin near Lodi, Wisconsin. We picked the place because they allow dogs in the cabin and in the lake.

We plan to swim, boat, and walk. The site is near the Wisconsin Dells.

Glad to hear Ednabelle and Dick are doing the retirement thing. Haven't heard much from the Shelby's for a while -- any of you folks still checking the bulletin board??

We plan on coming down over the Labor Day weekend, and will be at the reunion. Hope to see everyone there.

57 8/1/1999 jan

PEARL & TELL HURT FAMILY REUNION

PHILLIP AND IMOGENE are hosting the family reunion on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend, September 5th.

Hope to see you all there! Phillip plans on grilling bratwurst - soda pop, ice tea and paper plates, etc. will be on hand.

The word is that Ednabel & Dick are both retiring on 8/2 and plan on being in Illinois in September, so hopefully they will be able to attend the reunion. Also, it will be great if the Mamas & Daddies come with the 3 new babies, Karsyn Leigh, Maggie Rose and Drew Thomas.

58 7/31/1999 jan

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Mike Summerville - B.D. 8/6
809 Oxford Dr. Chatham, IL 62629

Suzy Summerville - B.D. 8/16
6302 Crespo Court Las Vegas, Nevada 89122

Becky Hurt - B.D. 8/27
316 Foresy Hill Dr.
W. Lafayette, IN 47906

Lisa & Tim Clancy - Wedding Anniversary
(8/18/1990)
1932 S. Oakdale W. Dr.
Bloomington, IN 47403

Imogene & Phillip Hurt - Wedding Anniversary
(8/25/1946)
325 N. Washington St.
Martinsville, IL 62442

59 7/5/1999 jan

Doris & I celebrated the 4th of July by attending Casey's 10 AM parade. We found a cool shady spot to put our folding chairs along the parade route. It has been years since I've attended any type of parade, so I found I really enjoyed the floats, marching & riding bands, clowns, antique cars, horses, etc. Mike Summerville rode his horse. Mike wore a Civil War uniform, including saber, making a striking appearance. Also Kim and her kids on their horses rode in the parade.....Then in the evening we joined Loistel, Dave, Brenda & Mike for a fish fry supper. Dave catches, fillets and cooks the fish. It was delicious- Loistel always complements the fish with just the right things: salads & casserole. The rest of the 4th of July weekend we enjoyed our AC.

60 7/5/1999 jan

Imogene's sister, Mary Litterly, passed away on Friday, 7/2. Mary lived in the Decatur, Il. area.

Imogene, hoping that it may be a bit of comfort to you, I send my heartfelt sympathy.

For those of you who want to send cards, here is Imogene's address: Imogene Hurt, 325 N. Washington St., Martinsville, Il 62442

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES
DAVE SUMMERVILLE - 7/22
2205 US Route 40
Casey, IL 62420
(I listed Dave's BD as being in June, last month. Sorry, Dave.

27th Wedding Anniversary for Jon & Pat, 7/22
Jon & Pat Wallace
153 S. Park Blvd.
Glen Ellyn. IL 60137

61 7/3/1999 jon

Wow -- both my kids have jobs now! Kathy is working this summer (5 days a week) at the neighborhood Denny's as a waitress. I think they are both getting pretty grown up; they come home to sleep, and take their phone messages, but otherwise they are pretty much in separate social circles from me and Pat these days. Every once in a while we all get together and go out to eat, or some other "family" activity... but I'm definitely starting to see the birds getting out of the nest.

62 6/28/1999 allyson

Welcome to the world Karsyn, Maggie & Drew! We can't wait to meet you all in September.

Wow! It seems everyone is soo busy this summer. Kathy, your trip sounded great! If you can, bring some print photos to the reunion in Sept. Jon, I loved the old pics. Loistel, I'll believe your retiring when it happens. Yahoo street cam too neat! I'm sure you had a great time Pat.

Dave and I doing fine. Today we have are under a heat advisory. 95 degrees, 105 humiture. Yuck! I despise this heat and humidity.

We spent the weekend celebrating birthdays in David's family. His aunt Virginia's 78th and sister Susan's 39th. David's cousin, Susanna moved-in with us. She will be with us until Sept. 15th when she leaves for the Univ. of Nottingham to get her LLM. She's been with us for two weeks now. So far, so good. She's a great cook!

Things are really heating up at work. We have a couple very bad cases (death cases) in very bad jurisdictions (South Texas) which are nearing their trial dates. We (defense - General Electric) rarely win in these jurisdictions, but we maintain the belief that the next verdict will be for the defense. We'll see.

Have a happy 4th of July everyone!

63 6/27/1999 katherine

I've enjoyed reading all of the news of the family, and am so happy that Maggie and Drew have safely arrived in our world.

Ron and I visited with Grandmother Sweet, Beth, Terry, Brock, Heidi, Karsyn, and Rich yesterday. Karsyn still is a happy baby. She sleeps and eats and eats and sleeps. She was 1 month old yesterday.

Ron will be joining Susan and Richard in London this weekend, and then they are going to travel to France and Germany, returning a couple of weeks later. I hope visit their new home in Michigan in late July or early August. Maybe Grandmother and I can make it up there this time.

My trip to Arizona was wonderful. It was a very challenging photographic workshop. We would have breakfast at 7 am and be in the field all day taking photos of the slot canyons, returning at 10 at night. Some of the slot canyons that we visited are "secret," i.e. very limited access.

All of the slot canyons are on Navajo land. Most of them we walked into from ground level. However, one of them (Lower Antelope Canyon) requires you to walk into a slit in the ground that is about 2 feet wide and then climb down ladders. It was my favorite. All or the slot canyons are sandstone that have beautiful shapes carved by the wind and water. I have my slides back and was able to get some great photos. Unfortunately, I do not have the capability to put them on the Internet. Maybe by September, I will have some prints made from the slides!

After the workshop, I went to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon and enjoyed the blizzard. It was snowing so hard there that we could not see off of the Rim. Now I know why they don't even open the road to the North Rim until May 15.

I miss Arizona very much. The low humidity is wonderful.

Hope that you all have a great July 4th. Planning on seeing you in September (Labor Day??) for the family reunion. Mom and Dad will be here for it this year, as they are planning to retire in early August.

64 6/25/1999 jan

Charlotte asked me to post the GOOD NEWS on the bulletin Board:

Lisa & Tim's twins arrived June 21, (Monday) at 4:30 P.M. Maggie was first, weighing 7lbs. 6 oz., 21 in. long: Then, Drew, arriving feet first, weighing 6lbs, 13 oz., 19 in. (I hope I got the statistics right!) Mother and babies are all home-since Wednesday and are doing fine!

CONGRATULATIONS; LISA & TIM Grandma Charlotte & Grandpa Tom

65 6/25/1999 pat

Just got the word in email from Jan that Lisa's twins arrived safely on Monday! A healthy pair, Maggie weighed in at 7lb.6oz., followed (feet first) by Drew at 6lb.13oz. Charlotte says all are doing fine. Congrats and we're dying to see pics of all these next generation babies (including Heidi's).

66 6/24/1999 jon

Hi All, good news Matt got a job! I know, it doesn't sound like much to those of you who are already employed -- but its hard these days getting a "white collar" (does anyone still wear those) job for the summer.

Pat's flying to visit her sister over the weekend (one of those 150 dollar round trip deals she couldn't pass up). Her mom's going with -- so they'll all have a great time over the weekend (Sat - Tues). Guess I get to baby-sit the dog.

Till Lisa we're waiting for the good news!

67 6/4/1999 jan

Heidi has a baby girl which arrived Saturday, 5/29. Beth and Terry sent 5 pictures to great, great grandmother Doris (via Jan's computer). According to the pictures she is a real doll! Aunt Katherine is on a trip to Arizona this week- (I think this is the time that she was doing the slit-canyon photo trip). I hope when Aunt Katherine gets back she will post all the details.

68 5/25/1999 allyson

Hello everyone! I really enjoyed my trip to IL last week. Dad's B-Day party was great and it was so nice to catch-up with family. I had the pleasure of speaking with Brock and Greg during our Mother's Day Luncheon at TheFarm. I really do not recall ever talking with them before. Phil's accident gave us all quite a scare, but we are glad he's now up and

walking and appears to be healing nicely.

This month we (David, me and two other host couples) are preparing for this month's HOGS (Houston Original Gourmet Society) dinner which will occur on June 5th on Galveston Bay. The theme is the Cannes Film Festival and the food of provence. Southern Living magazine will be there to do an article and photo shoot about our group. The article will be about private clubs, friendships, etc. The menu for the dinner was completed and mailed to the club members this weekend and the decorations (my assignment) ideas are settled upon. I'll let you all know when the article comes out!

David still working 60 - 90 hr. weeks with no reprieve in sight. He plans to stick with this until August (his pension vestiture date) and then will begin looking for something that will allow him to have more of a personal life. I can't wait.

Like Pat, I too cannot wait to see the new arrivals to the family at the reunion in September.

It's getting hot, hot, hot in Houston. Summer is here!

69 5/19/1999 jan

5/17/99 - We enjoyed Patsy Allyson's Illinois visit the week of 5/7 thru 5/15. She was able to spend Mother's Day with Imogene and to help Phillip celebrate his 72nd birthday on 5/13.--We went to Richard's Farm's Mother's Day Buffet dinner. there were 11 of us-Phillip, Imogene, Patsy, Phil Allen, Vicky, Beth, Terry, Greg. Brock, Doris and me. Loistel and Dave went to Mike and Brenda's and Larry went to Charlotte and Tom's in Charleston, where Lori prepared dinner for them,-- Imogene and Patsy had the birthday dinner for Phillip treating us to grilled jumbo shrimp, baked chicken and lots of other goodies. Doris baked one of her angel food cakes. There were eight of us to sing Happy Birthday to Phillip-Patsy, Phil A., Vicky, Imogene, Loistel, Dave, Doris and me. Larry was not able to come.

Last Friday, 5/14, Phil Allen was practicing the barrel race on his quarter horse, Betty, at the Casey Horse Show before the event started. Betty slipped, throwing Phil Allen and the horse then fell on Phil. The damage to Phil was 3 broken ribs, pulled muscles and stiff and sore. If you would like to send him a get- well card his address is Phil A. Hurt, 22 N. Elm, Martinsville, IL 62442 Box 294. No damage to Betty. Well that covers the news from this "neck of the woods"

70 5/1/1999 pat

We made it to London! ...and back. Funny, I think I've had jetlag longer than we were there. The trip was great, we were exemplary "typical tourists". (I can prove that, because we have at least 20 pictures of Big Ben from all angles and perspectives!) Jon will put some pictures up once we get organized (but not ALL of the 200+ we took). We definitely will require a return trip since we only had the briefest opportunity to skim the surface of London.

Matt is home now too, and officially an adult at 21. So what did he want/receive for this landmark birthday? A new baseball glove. Right now the glove is in the early breakin stage--slathered with shaving cream to properly soften it. Kat is approaching graduation eagerly. She got an important matter settled last night...she purchased her prom dress (red; very, very red). College choice will surely follow soon, but right now, she's favoring her Dad's alma mater, UIC (Univ. of IL-Chicago).

It's good to hear that both moms-to-be Lisa and Heidi are doing well. Can't wait for the September reunion to see this newest crop of babies!

71 4/23/1999 pat

If all goes well in the next four and a half hours, we'll be taking off for London then from O'Hare. (And what can go wrong???) It's strange getting ready for a trip when you aren't packing anything. We'll report in when we return on Monday...(or maybe Tues. if we're too exhausted!) Thanks for all the cards and emails wishing us a good trip. Talk to you soon....

72 4/22/1999 katherine

Just a brief note to say hello to everyone. I am enjoying this fine spring weather, especially the flowering trees. Heidi had another ultrasound. The baby still appears on ultrasound to be a girl. She weighs over 7 pounds already. Beth may not go with me to Ron & Sue's in mid-May because of the expected arrival of her first grandchild. Speaking of grandchildren, Doris' oldest great grandson, Greg Goodrick, will be 30 tomorrow. Incroyable!! (His email address is GSG42@aol.com).

73 4/19/1999 pat

A very happy birthday to you, Loistel. I do miss those family dinners, and all the great dishes everyone always brings.

Matt checked in via postcards from Italy. He says he's seen more art than you can shake a stick at. Amazingly, he is really enjoying it...with a special mention of the splendors of the Sistine Chapel at the Vatican in Rome. Whatever happened to the boy who used to live here who only had eyes, ears, and attention for sports?? He'll get home on the 27th, just in time for his 21st birthday on the 28th. Hmmm...that must be a typo? My son cannot possibly be 21!

Jon made a CD of old photos that he and Jan dug out during his visit to fix her computer (which he had broken the week before!). I'll try to bug him to get them up on the web, they are really fun to look at! Remember if you send us pics (either by email or snail mail) we can put them up for all to share. Talk to you after we return from our London weekend...

74 4/11/1999 jan

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:
Loistel Summerville - 4/19

Roxanne Summerville - 4/24
Matt Wallace - 4/28

75 4/10/1999 jon

HI -- I've got my mom back on line -- by basically reloading her browser software;
so all is well in wonderland now.

76 4/10/1999 jon

Just a bit of news... I visited my Mom in Casey last Easter weekend. Doris, myself, and Mom went to Richard's Farm for Easter Brunch and had a very nice time. Phil and Vicki met us there as well.

I noticed from Katherine's posting that Heidi is thinking of the name Hannah for her expected daughter... a Palindrome (spells the same left of right)! I like the name.

I managed to break the browser application on my mom's machine last weekend, I'm trying to download an upgrade and get it to her (maybe this weekend)... so if you've sent email to Jan in the last week and gotten no reply the fault is mine, not hers!

77 4/4/1999 katherine

Hi everyone. Thought I would let you know that I am recovering well from my sinus surgery. I am certainly glad that my parents were here, as I needed their support and help. They leave tomorrow evening, and I will miss them. I still will have a few movement restrictions for another week, so I have a good excuse not to do house or yard work for awhile. We had a great birthday celebration with Grandmother Sweet. All three of her grandchildren were there. Her great-granddaughter, Heidi, is expecting her first child on May 24. Soon thereafter we will have photos of the 5 generations. (Grandmother Sweet, Mom, Beth, Heidi and Heidi's daughter) This will be the 3rd generation that we have had 5 generations on the Hurt side of the family!! Heidi believes that she will have a girl -- as a result of ultrasound -- and the current chosen name is Hannah Leigh. That could change, however, before May 24. We will keep you posted. We are all very happy that Jan is doing well, and hope that she continues to do well.

78 3/31/1999 pat

Hi folks, thought we should update you. Jan is home and annoyed that she'll have to fuss with doctors for a while to figure out how to put this arrhythmia problem behind her. Jon will be down over the Easter weekend... everyone in the Casey area has been a big help... THANKS!

I'm scrambling to get this blitzkrieg London trip of ours organized. I'm busy scouring the internet for a hotel, and plan to make reservations to see the Royal Shakespearean Company's production of The Winter's Tale. I'd promise to send postcards to everyone, but that might take our whole stay to accomplish! We'll post some pics, I'm sure.

79 3/27/1999 jon

My Mom has been feeling kind of punky of late. She checked into Sarah Bush Lincoln Hospital Friday last, complaining of fatigue and shortness of breath. They diagnosed her as having an arrhythmia (that's where the heart action is not sequenced correctly). Most everyone has arrhythmia at one time or another, the concern for my mom is whether this is a chronic condition that demands treatment. She expects to be back home this weekend.

On a lighter note, I took a bunch of pictures last week with my digital camera. Here's a link to a web-page from which you can view them. I suggest you look at the picture links under "At Jon & Pats" which are pictures I took at our house.

Here's the link to the pictures

80 3/26/1999 allyson

Hello Everyone! What an exciting for you Jon & Pat! I too have been looking at the internet deals. The specials now are incredible! Particularly overseas. For the travelers in the group, I recommend checking-out bestfares.com for "snooze alarm" airfare specials for both domestic and international flights.

Jan - thank you for handwritten note re computer problems. It was so nice to receive mail from you. I sure hope you are up and running soon!

Planning a visit to IL in May. Mom's day is May 9th, Dad's B-day is May 13th.

81 3/23/1999 jan

Dick & EdnaBelle write that they are flying to Indpls. (to Katherine's) on Thursday, 3/25. They will be here for grand-daughter Heidi's baby shower and Doris' 89th birthday (3/28) to be celebrated at Beth and Terry's house in Williamsport and to be with Katherine the next week for a scheduled sinus operation.-----My computer keyboard has kept me from sending e-mail (though I can receive) so apologies to those to whom I owe mail. Pat said she ordered me a new one and sent it last night.

82 3/20/1999 pat

Hi folks...I'm actually glad to hear that Mayo found nothing extraordinary wrong with Phillip. Tho it's appealing to think of having 'something' for docs to fix, they also seem to mess things up enough, rather like auto mechanics.

Jon & I have decided to do something a bit crazy. Matt's English adventure finally ends when he jets home 4/27. But, he has too much luggage. Rather than pay the hundreds in excess baggage fees, we're going to fly over there 4/23-26 and pick up the extra stuff. We got pretty good fares by surfing the internet: \$390 round

trip each. I know I'll go crazy only having 48 hrs to sample the wonders of England. I think we'll both relish the excitement, tho.

83 3/16/1999 allyson

Phillip & Imogene arrived home last Saturday following their trip to MN. The doctor did not seem to give Phillip a real definitive answer to his arthritis problem other than to double-up on the medication he is currently taking and to keep his eyes peeled for new arthritis drug therapy innovations on the horizon. I think it was a bit disappointing to hear this, but all other tests (EKG, cholesterol, PSA, etc. were all good). I guess no news is good news sometimes.

Jan, I'm sorry your computer is acting up, I hope you are up and running again soon.

84 3/11/1999 allyson

Phil & Imogene are up in Rochester, MN holed-up in a motel across from the Mayo Clinic. They made it up there just before the big snow storm hit so are safe and warm. (Dad is up there to see about his arthritis.) They checked-in to the clinic when they arrived on Sunday. They signed-in, were given a beeper and told they would be paged when they could get in to see a doctor. They were paged yesterday morning and Dad said he spent the whole day doing tests. He says they ran every test imaginable. He said he needed to go back this morning for a few more and then they have an appt. with the doctor again on Friday at 4:00p. The doctor will go over all the results with them then.

85 3/11/1999 allyson

Happy Birthday Tom & Jarrod!

Pat, we are so sorry to hear the news of the loss of your father. I remember meeting him at your wedding and remember him fondly. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jon, I checked-out your pics. Very cool! No pun intended. It sounds and looks like your having fun with your new toy. Put more pics on the board. We'd all love to see them!

The 50th anniversary party for Dave's parents was this past weekend. We are very proud of the job we all did. We received many, many compliments, everything from how perfectly everything was timed to how elegantly the food was displayed. The bride and groom were beaming (we got video too) and to hear Mrs. Beck say that the whole church was "abuzz" about the party at services on Sunday made the hard work more than worth it.

My friend Allen and I as food and service coordinators respectively) received a great deal of help from David's brother & sister but also feel that Allen and my past experiences working together (this was our 5th party to cater together) may have contributed to our success. We are feeling confident enough that we are putting the word out that we are interested in pursuing catering jobs on a part-time basis (weekends only, so we won't quit our days jobs so to speak). We'll keep you posted on how it goes!

86 3/10/1999 jan

I am glad to have known Chuck Anderson (Pat's Father). I remember him as one who enjoyed the family get-to-gethers, and his warm smile, his being a great conversationalist and his wonderful sense of humor. - My thoughts are with you, Pat.

87 3/7/1999 pat

Sadly, I must share that my father passed away tonight at 5:30 p.m. He had just grown too frail to climb one more mountain. My Mom, sister, niece and I were with him when he slipped quietly away. We are never really ready to let go, but I'm thankful he has found peace and release. I know he'd be most grateful if you'd raise a glass in his honor. To paraphrase Shakespeare...what a piece of work was this man! I know all of your kind thoughts will be with my family.

88 3/1/1999 pat

Charlotte: Tell Lisa I really like the names they've chosen for the twins. My Kathy's middle name is also Rose (after my Mom). Your mention of Jarrod's birthday reminds me that I've wondered if Chris, Becky & the kids have an internet connection? I'd love to keep in closer touch than just at reunions thru this board and email.

89 2/27/1999 pat

Welcome back, bulletin board! Sounds like the Becks are busy in Houston. Save some anniversary cake for us...

90 2/25/1999 allyson

David and I are busy getting ready for his parent's 50th wedding anniversary party on March 6th. David's brother and sister, their spouses and the grandkids are doing the set-up, food, flowers, etc. Being a natural organizer, I volunteered to coordinate our efforts. So far 115 people have RSVP'd! The rental items have been ordered and now we wait till the evening of the 5th when we will have to do a whole lot of work reeeaaal fast. It's been a lot of fun so far and we are really looking forward to the celebration. David's parents will be celebrating their anniversary party in the same church they were married in 50 years ago! Wish us luck!

91 2/17/1999 jon

I couldn't wait any longer, techie that I am, I ordered a Kodak DC 220 digital camera yesterday about midnight. I'd been cruising the net looking for good buys; and came across a really nice looking operation that had the camera in stock, at a fair price -- sooo... soon I hope to be posting some cool pix on the web-sites; along with sound bites (the camera does sequence stills and allows sound overlays to be recorded. It also allows timed photos so you can set up a tripod and take pics every 5 minutes of a flower blooming -- then put them together in an animated GIF or AVI format to make a nice "bloom" sequence. Ah the wonders of technology. I'm sure glad I wasn't born last century (or any other century for that matter). Do any of you own digital cameras? I'd be interested in hearing about some of the tricks you've learned, etc. if you are

using them.

92 2/11/1999 pat

It's wonderful to see so many family members checking in with news! Be sure to send on email addresses of other family members and we'll get them hooked in with a password. We have good news to report: Jon has just accepted a promotion to technical manager in his department at Bell Labs. He'll be coaching (the new corporate-speak term for supervising) 20 members of technical staff. I think he'll really enjoy the new challenge. Matt is still enjoying his London experience (we assume), it's getting hard to get a hold of him these days. Kat is actually beginning to believe she really is graduating from HS in June...wow, never thought it would really come. And I'm having a great time at my new job at the car wash AND my new car is getting cleaned weekly. Keep those posts coming!

93 2/6/1999 allyson

Phillip, Imogene, Pedo & Tinkerbell left Houston this morning at 7:30 a.m. They plan to overnight somewhere in Arkansas and will arrive in Martinsville sometime Sunday p.m.

David and I doing well. We've just booked a cruise for December to the Southern Caribbean Friends we met on a cruise last year will join us. We can't wait! And what a long wait it will be. The weather here is sooo summer-like. It's almost hot! 80-some degrees with high humidity. We're going to have to mow the yard because it's begun to grow again! This is my first entry on the family bulletin board. It's so exciting to be able to keep-up with everybody. Thanks Jon, Pat & Jon for setting this up for all of us to share.

94 2/2/1999 pat

Charlotte Royal has checked in for a password, and will soon be sharing news from the Earl Hurt branch of the family. She reminded me that daughter Lisa Clancy also has a February birthday, on the 5th. So a big Happy Birthday to both the Royal girls!

95 1/30/1999 katherine

Hi everyone. I just checked out the bulletin board for the first time today. What fun! I am celebrating Birthday No. 45 today. Talked with Grandmother Sweet last night, Ron, Sue and Rich and Mother this morning and am going to Beth's this afternoon. It is good to see and talk with the whole family! Mother's broken arm is healing well. She does her therapy exercises (aka torture) every day.

Ron, Sue and Rich are going to Arizona in two weeks. Lucky, lucky people! I am going to Arizona in May with a small group and professional photographer to photograph the Slot Canyons. Cannot wait. Well, bye for now.

96 1/30/1999 pat

We're over at my Mom's, showing off the board. We just brought her a 17" monitor, a big improvement over the 14"-er she had!

97 1/30/1999 pat

True to Jon's word, I've sent the promised passwords. Remember, you don't have to limit your contributions to when you win a Nobel prize. But if you should, I do expect to read it here first!

98 1/17/1999 jan

Charlotte and Tom Royal's Lisa is expecting twins in June. Congratulations, Lisa & Tim, as well as Grandma Char and Grandpa Tom!