



JUNE 2012

DEXTER REUNION 2012

Thursday, July 19 at 4:00pm to July 22 at 1pm

Devils Lake, Lincoln City, OR

DEXTER FAMILY

Early arrivers:

- Billie & Chuck Wednesday
- Klancee Wednesday
- TC & Nicole Always
- Derryll Wednesday

Family Potluck Saturday 4pm. Main dish (Pulled Pork Sandwiches) to be furnished.

Sunday Breakfast: French Toast, Sausage, Orange Juice, Coffee

Devil's Lake Sunrise Painting by Chuck Taylor to be raffled off on Saturday night.

Raffle tickets are \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5 or 14 for \$10.

Family Auction on Saturday at 6pm with co-auctioneers Klancee Call and Larry Lanig. Please let Billie know if/what you are planning to put in the auction.

(541-499-0951 or bjtaylor554@hotmail.com)

Anybody interested in a **jam session** (bringing instruments to play) around the campfire? Please let me know – perhaps Friday and/or Saturday night? Bring copies of lyrics of your favorite songs to share as well.

Reservations have been made for the following sites (the ones we know about – there could be others):

Hotels being used (so far):

Comfort Inn and Suites, 541-994-8155 / Econo lodge 541-994-5281 / Motel 6 – 541-996-9900

RV B18	-----	Fellowhip Site
RV A32	-----	Orina & pets
RV B4	-----	Larry & Lori
RV B5/Boat slip 8	-----	Terry & Lisa
RV B6	-----	Sheila& Dan
RV B14	-----	Rich & Crystal
RV B15	-----	Ken and Lynda
RV B16	-----	Chuck & Billie
RV B20	-----	Jackie (May stay with Orina or Sheila)
RV B22	-----	Klancee & cats
Yurt B17	-----	Ralph & Derryll
Yurt B19	-----	TC & Nicole
Yurt C36	-----	James & Maria

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Why do we wash bath towels?
Aren't we clean when we use them?

Memories, something beautiful.

A childhood memory for me would have to be going on camping trips with momma and daddy. There were actually many trips. I remember going to the Owyhee Mtns, and Jackie and I made little "people" out of sticks and flowers, who hasn't made girls out of hollyhock flowers and toothpicks? Jackie was good at that. We would go to the Oregon Coast from Eugene in the old Buick station wagon (the one that grew mushrooms on the wooden trim). We did dangerous things such as passing our friends in the other car, and hiding behind a building, or down a side road, and then coming upon their rear later on down the road. We always honked loudly in every tunnel. Daddy always sat at the table with a pen and paper, he'd make long columns of calculations, probably trying to make ends meet. When he was making a point to us kids, he'd either write it down, draw it, or use the pen to tap on the paper (or the back of our hands), so we'd "get the point." I too make long calculations and lists to this day, it's comforting to me.

—Derryll

LAYMAN'S 10 COMMANDMENTS

Someone has written these beautiful words. Must read and try to understand the deep meaning of it. They are like the ten commandments to follow in life all the time.

1. Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout.
2. Why is a Car's WINDSHIELD is so large & the Rear view Mirror is so small? Because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. Look Ahead and Move on.
3. Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes few seconds to burn, but it takes years to write.
4. All things in life are temporary. If going well, enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either.
5. Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold!
6. Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, sweetheart, it's just a bend, not the end!"
7. When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
8. A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
9. When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
10. WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES, it takes away today's PEACE.

Derryll's Family:

Crystal and Rich are in Bend, happy to still be in their home. Their 10th anniversary is during this reunion. Rich drives a large 18 wheeler Volvo truck, delivering Geld-Wen doors all up and down I-5 and Hwy 97 from Chiloquin, in Southern Oregon to the Canada border in Washington. He has lately been doing a "run" over to Idaho. It's been 4 years now and he is away from home too much, but manages to get home every weekend where "honey-do" lists and chores are never ending.

Ashley turns 21 in August, she has her massage therapy license and a medical endorsement. She works for Hand and Stone in Vancouver, WA. She says "I can heal people now"--Rock on girl--get it?

Danica, at 8 years old, is finishing 2nd grade, and looking forward to a summer camp in late June as well as the reunion in July.

Ralph is counting the days until he gets to retire...January 2014...remember to ask him how many months and days when you see him...Sturgeon season this year is 2 weekends, and there isn't enough fishing channels on Dish network—these are his sadnesses.



Diann French with Brett Marshall French 2012

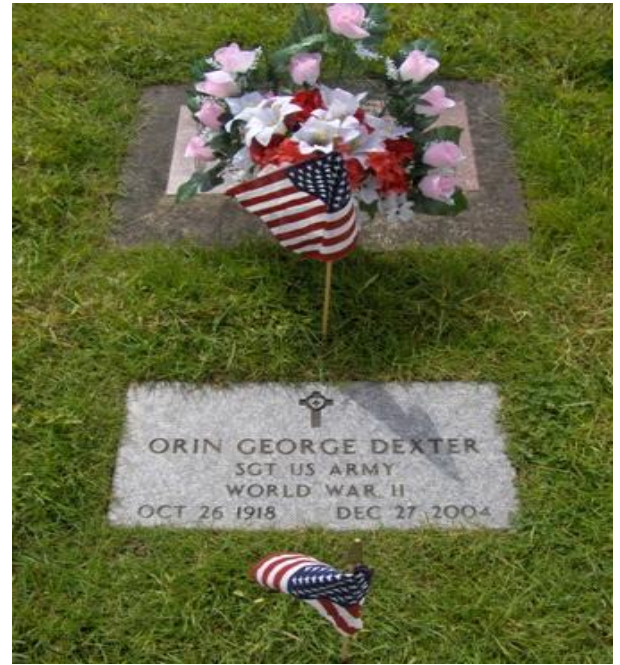
I went to visit Chuck and Billie and Cody and his girlfriend April were there so in all I visited with Chuck Billie Darcie, Cody April and Chyna and Leo. Eva came over dailey so I was able to visit with her also. It was a good visit and I am glad I went, I needed to have that time with them.

I came back to Sun Valley and Orina came here and has stayed three weeks now and wow we are enjoying the time. She will be leaving on the 11th. She stayed so she could take Leia a new puppy she has to puppy training classes.

I have built a larger deck on the back of my home, it now goes all the way across the back of the house, well most of the way. I love it. I built it, and James had to come and point out a couple of things I didn't do right, so I had to take care of it, well it wasn't wrong it just needed to be changed.

I am looking forward to the reunion. See you all there. —Klancee

MEMORIAL DAY 2012. THANKS TO JACKIE AND LARRY, TERRY, AND SHEILA



Orin and Syafiq, Ft. Worth, TX, 2012



Orina's corner:

I left Fort Worth on April 6th and spent 2 weeks in Alamogordo NM. I had my brakes done on all four wheels and one new rotor. Gak! I have a friend there I like to see when I can. Then I went on to Al Gadones, Mexico for a week where I had my teeth worked on. I was actually outside of Yuma, AZ. I had to have tires balanced and rotated, and the gear box tightened. Then on to Las Vegas where I visited a niece on Mom's side. Then on into Reno at Klancee's. I took training with my new puppy for the Master & puppy. I plan to leave to Chuck & Billies for a visit on May 11th (5 weeks here in Reno). After that, I'll play it by ear,—I should know more when next we meet dear family. Life has been really good, I cannot complain. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion. Orin, Zabaidha and Syafiq are "chillin" in Ft. Worth. They look to be adoring their pool and BBQs in their new home with friends and family. Orin works for Lockheed. Zee works for Marriott. Syafiq is 5.

Derryll's corner:

My sister-in-law Ruby Gibson (on Ralph's side) responded first to my asking on facebook for family to write something "memorable" about a relative. Although she's not "dexter", I would like to share what she wrote:

"I remember the times that I would be hugging my Granddad while he was drinking coffee and hearing it as he swallowed it. It sounds like a ridiculous thing to remember but I loved that sound and the hug. My Grandmother had a separate drawer for her grandchildren that she kept filled with color books and other activities for us to do when we were there for a visit. I in turn keep a drawer filled with things to do for my grandchildren. We also were fed with her special cookies and other foods that she knew we enjoyed. I also enjoyed going to church on the weekends because I would get to sing in the choir with my granddad and I would also get to see and visit other relatives. These are just a few special memories."

Why do you press harder on the buttons of a remote control when you know the batteries are dead?

Hello Family, from the **Wanda clan**,

Wanda is doing okay considering her age. Still on her feet and doing some things for herself. Makes her bed each day and takes care of most of her personal hygiene. Her mind is still slipping.

Marolyn still works for Sonitrol Pacific and was named Employee of the month again this spring. She recently received a dollar an hour raise! Good Job!

William is still recovering from a serious case of shingles that he came down with in the fall. Needs bunches of rest but is functioning. Carolyn still plugging along taking care of home things and helping with AWANA during the school year.

Wannetta and Bill just returned from Germany where they met their new grandson, Brantley. Bill's oldest daughter, Seliena, gave birth to the new member of our family in April. He was little but doing well now. Jeanetta is still living in South Carolina with her fellow. She will be

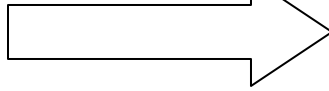
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attending the reunion.

We don't hear much from our other granddaughters but we do know that Michelle is receiving her college diploma in August.

Photo of Brantley

—Submitted by Carolyn



Andy's Clan

Sheri and Andy say "Hi Y'All" from Atlanta, Georgia. We are very lucky to be able to travel and see the world. We got the note about the newsletter just after arriving at our Granddaughter Nikkie and her husband's beautiful new home in Atlanta. They have shown us a grand time. We have walked on top of Stone Mountain, the second biggest rock in the world and a tour of the biggest aquarium in the world. Atlanta is doing things first class. Not only are the attractions great, but the associated and support organizations are also first class. An example is the dolphin show at the Aquarium. The dolphins didn't do anything more than others, but the associated light show, water fountain show and the singer were all top drawer. We have been totally impressed. Riding the tram to the top of Stone Mountain and seeing the carving of Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and Jefferson Davis carved into the face of the rock so big that at the completion of the carving, the artist hoisted a dining room table and chairs to the back of one of the horses and had dinner. The carving covers three acres.

Last month we took a ten day cruise from San Francisco to the Mexican Riviera with seven friends, visiting two Mexican ports, San Diego and Santa Catalina Island. We enjoy cruising and enjoy all the functions on the ship. The Star Princess has eighteen decks with a lounge out over the stern with windows all around. One can look straight down and see nothing but water. The food was great and I gained about six pounds. I am almost back down to what I weighed before leaving.

This summer we plan to attend the Dexter reunion, then to Vancouver Island for a North Marion HS reunion. Later in the summer we host a Navy reunion in McMinnville, Oregon, home of the Spruce Goose. So for all of my family coming to the Dexter reunion, if you have not visited the Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum in McMinnville, I consider it a must.

See y'all in July, Love Sheri and Andy

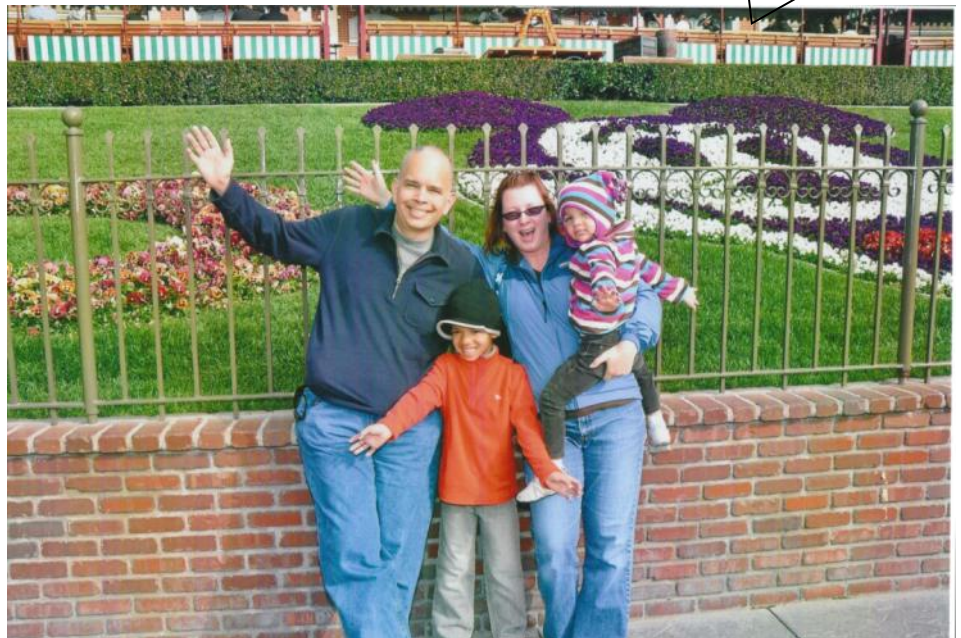
Hello

Kim, Greg, Dexter and Zada!

Hello from the Beyrers - We celebrated Dexter's 7th and Zada's 3rd birthdays and the first anniversary of our "forever family" at Disneyland (see attached picture). It was an adventure! We'll miss the family at the reunion, but send our love.

If you are cross-eyed and have dyslexia, can you read all right?

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JIM'S CLAN

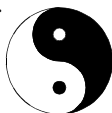
Facebook—4/2/12.

I went to the cowboy rodeo fund raiser tonight. I was thinking about it and two things came to mind. Thirty five or so years ago when I moved here,...

- I wouldn't have ever dreamed that I would ever be at something like this, and have FUN.
- While the alcohol was flowing freely, I had two cokes, no booze.

I Met Shane Proctor the PBR bull riding champ from 2011 (he went to school here w/Jimmie) and he asked about Jimmie. He also wanted Jim's phone number. How times change as we get older. I know I don't post much. But some things just make you feel good inside and I thought I'd share with all my friends and family.

Kenny



Chuck Taylor Clan

This reunion will indeed be a celebration for this clan! Chuck has been having chemo treatments for Non Hodgkin Lymphoma since January. The PET scan done May 14th showed no cancer meaning he only has 2 cycle treatments left (2 are required after a clear scan) and will be completely done by reunion time. Yea!

Tracey (TC) and Nicole: Still live in Lincoln City and TC is a personal trainer at 101 Fitness. Nicole is a minivan mom running between their 3 kid's involvements in school and sports (Sam 15 yrs, Ariel 9 yrs, Austin 6 yrs).

Darcie lives in Medford, and works in Grants Pass, she is on a bowling league with her boyfriend Don and they are planning on getting married in 2014.

Cody has moved to Medford with his girlfriend Apryl and her 2 kids (Chyna-Noel 7 yrs and Leo 5 yrs). They are planning on getting married – date TBA. He is working at Harry and David. It's been great having him, and them, back home.



News on Aunt Violet:

Violet, Uncle Eugene's first wife, fell New Years Eve and broke her hip. She had a plate screwed over the break on January 1st and she is recovering nicely. She is living with Marcie in Spokane now.

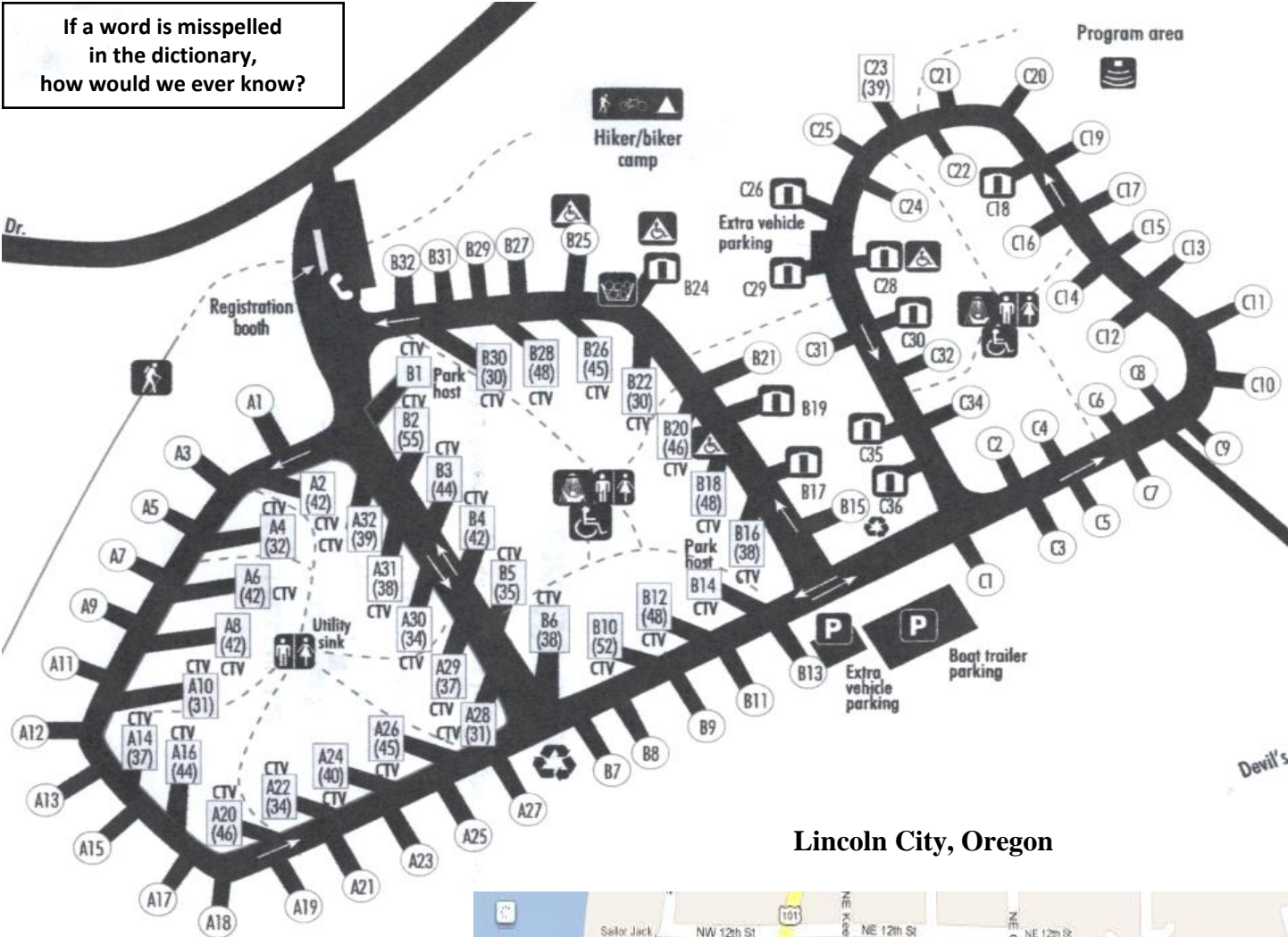
Thanks for this update Sheri and Andy, we do want to keep abreast of those we have loved over the years.
—Derryll.

Derryll and Ralph:

In case you don't follow me on facebook (yuk,yuk), my retirement is going pretty well, I recently worked more than bargained for at The Next Door while they were without I.T. tech support (redundant?). But I am back on track and working only 10 hours there and 5 each for my other 2 little bookkeeping jobs. Also, my big trauma this year is the loss of the art studio. The owners are retiring for the 2nd time and they can't find a buyer for the ceramics side of the shop where I cut glass and make jewelry. . I mean, come on folks, this is my home away from home. Hee hee.

June 14th, I fly to ABQQ to spend 5 days with 5 other women for our annual "wild women wetweat." We have been doing this since the year I turned 40, this will be our 24th year, we really look forward to it and in about January each year, the e-mails get going, really ramping up in the final 2 weeks before gathering. We laugh, cry, sing, dance, craft, have experiences and traditions with one another just like all families. One of the gals was Crystal's step mother when she was 5 or 6 years old, I've known her for nearly 40 years.

If a word is misspelled
in the dictionary,
how would we ever know?



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