



OCTOBER 2011

DEXTER REUNION
JULY 19, 20, 21, 2012

*Devil's Lake State Park
Lincoln City, Oregon*

Devil's Lake Sunrise by Chuck Taylor

This painting (size 18 X 24) will be raffled off on Saturday night.
Raffle tickets are \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5 or 14 for \$10.

Chuck Taylor's clan and Klancee Call will be hosting the 2012 Dexter Reunion being held in Lincoln City, OR at Devil's Lake State Park. The dates will be July 19, 20, 21, leaving the 22. Very close to lake AND ocean.

Reservations will need to be made no sooner than October 19th to secure your site. Devil's Lake has tent sites for \$21 per night, yurt sites (sleeps 5) for \$40 per night, and RV sites for \$28 per night. Reservations are made by phone, 1-800-452-5687, or online through www.oregonstateparks.org. You can go to the web site to see more about the park and map of the campsites. Just a note; yurts sleep 5 and can be shared cutting cost. Also, every RV site can accommodate a tent. There are also many hotels in Lincoln City. You can view a good list at http://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotels-g51947-Lincoln_City_Oregon-Hotels.html. FYI; The Comfort Inn is just around the corner from the campground (walking distance).

Yurts go **very** fast. Klancee will try to reserve B17 for our fellowship site. You'll need to contact her if you need/want her help making your reservation (435-733-1868).

Family Potluck Saturday 4pm. Main dish (meats) to be furnished.

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 & voices to play) around the campfire? Copies of words to your favorite songs could be fun o share as well.

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DEXTER FAMILY

Hello, it is now late in the year and I have done a lot and nothing to brag about. We came home from Arizona in March—me to my home in Reno, Eric to his home in Utah. I had so much yard work to do and weeds to kill I felt like killing myself would have been easier, especially because I don't use pesticides, herbicides, or insecticides, and suicide and homicide are out of the question. I was pulling them out by the roots to get them all.

Eric sold our big house in Utah and he moved into a smaller place in a town 30 miles away. It is a nice piece of property and has some good established trees. Eric put in a septic and had a well drilled and is having a shop and an RV cover put on the place. I was there from early June till early of October.

I split my time between Reno and Utah and in the winter about November we head to Arizona. We love to get out of the weather, and although it gets cool there, it's never like Utah or Reno (and Reno isn't as cold as where we lived in Utah.)

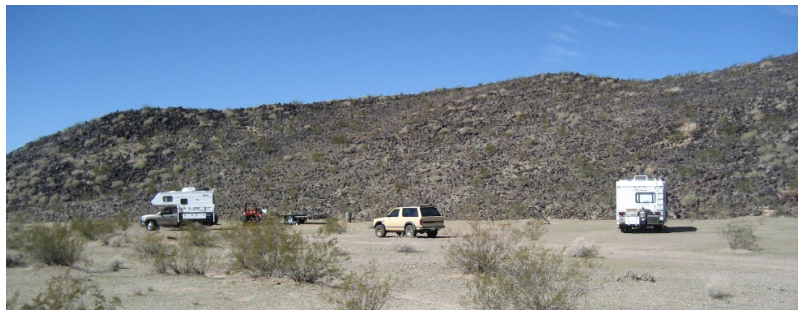
My son James is still at the same job and doing really well, he and Maria remodeled some on their house, and Maria's mother is staying with them for a year. Melissa is going to school to be a legal secretary. George is still working with James and Aldo is taking his time finding the right job. Eric's son Chris and his daughter Dina have good jobs, Dina and Bailey (Eric's granddaughter) went to New Orleans this year and had a wonderful trip and the pictures they showed us made me want to go there again.

I am sending along a picture of what Eric looks like with his load when he goes to Arizona. Every mans dream. And also a picture of our property where we dry camp quietly all winter.

So love to you all and I really hope to see you at the 2012 reunion in Lincoln City in July.



Why is the third hand on the watch called the second



Orina's corner:

Fort Worth is the place where my son Orin, his wife Zubaidah and their son Syafiq have settled. They seem to be thriving. I am fine also, my days are spent watching Syafiq, what a joy and so bright (of course he's mine) then turns around and shows his age as a 4 year old.

I am building my capability to handle the physical aspect. Being here is not much different than N.M. It is just further away. Orin, who grew up in Las Vegas, and Zubaidah, who grew up in Singapore, are not used to so much "cowboy" mentality (for lack of a more political word)—it is legal to carry weapons in plain sight. I went for blood work and a guy walked in with a pistol. There had been a sign on the outside of the door to 'please leave your gun in your car!' Orin and Zee's friend from the Air Force moved here from Idaho so he feels pretty much at home—having grown up on a cattle ranch.

No promises of course, but I will "try" to come to the reunion in July. If not, I will sure miss you all.



Photo compliments of Jackie



Derryll's corner:

Klancee, thanks for the photo of your trek to Arizona. Jackie, the below photo kinda says it for most of us. Anybody read the Andy Clan note from Nikkie? "Hot Pops" how precious. I am officially on the public dole. I will have to learn to not guilt myself on Mondays about needing to be "doing something." I am still working 2 1/2 days on Tuesday through Thursday for pay to pay for my insurance. But I have handed over most of my duties at The Next Door, Inc. to a younger person who needed a job. That's the rationale, get out of the way so younger people can run the world. I hope to see many of you in July, and I hope to be able to afford to travel a little bit anyway, I've never seen Ft. Worth, nor any other part of Texas for that matter. I guess Texas is another country after-all.

Orina's story is a bit unnerving. Billie, what *genious* to raffle the painting, instead of auctioning it. I hope to purchase a lot of raffle tickets myself. It's so beautiful—here it is in the frame that comes with it.

Wanda Clan,

Wanda is still very healthily in her body and she gets up every day and gets her self ready for the day. She is less steady on her feet now days and we need to help her bath now as we are afraid of her falling. She does fall now and then but so far only bruises and no breaks. We praise God that so far no broken bones. Her memory goes a little more all of the time. Pete was in Portland in September and she came by for over night before going up to see the rest of her family. We very much enjoyed her stopping by and even though Mom had to ask who she was every now and then Mom

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was so very happy that Pete came by to see her. Any of you are welcome to stop by and see Mom if you get a chance. She may not always remember your name but when we tell her who you are she is always so happy to see you. She remembers all of you, when you were young but then that is long term memory. I went to my 49th class reunion this last summer and we all decided what we want to for the 50th. Hard to believe it has been that long. Carolyn and William took 10 days and went to Carson City to see Wannetta and Bill and just have a few days away from the stress of home. They said they had a nice time away. Wannetta and Bill are still working for the State of Nevada and are happy together. Jeanetta has moved to North Carolina and she is engaged and seems to be happy when I hear from her. Don't know when the wedding will be maybe she will let everyone know when we have our reunion. We are busy with home and church and happy that we still have our Mother with us. We do plan on being at the reunion next summer but I am still trying to decide if I want to bring Mom for over night or just come on Saturday. That decision will have to be made later when we see how Mom is doing. We pray that all of you are well and we look forward to hearing how you are and to seeing you in the summer. May God bless each and every family. Marolyn

Andy's Clan

The last six months have been busy for Sheri and Andy. Many of you knew Sheri's family and in February we learned her sister-in-law had stage four cancer. We knew she had only a few months so we visited her in Tacoma every chance we got. We were packed and walking out the door to go to our Navy reunion in Omaha when we got the call that she just had a few hours and we had promised her we would be with her in the end. We called the airlines and hotel and cancelled our Omaha trip. We repacked, loaded the car and headed north. Julie passed a few days later. We are now getting ready for another trip to Tacoma for the memorial.

We also hosted Andy's 55th North Marion High School reunion at Broadacres. Getting reacquainted with old classmates and seeing the old school was a real treat. The reunion was held just a mile

from the old farm site that no longer exists. All the farm buildings are gone. The Broadacres elementary school is now a church; I believe it is Russian Orthodox. The tavern and store are still in business.

We also made trips north for Debi and Mike's wedding and another for a cruise to Alaska. We are getting very acquainted with US5.

While living in the Republic of the Philippines, we made a trip to Thailand where we purchased a three-dimensional tomb rubbing and had it framed when we returned to our home base. We were later transferred to Washington D.C. while Martha and Clayton lived there. We could hardly wait to show our treasure to them and when we unpacked it Marty looked at it and said, "That is the ugliest thing I ever saw!" We still liked it, but when we bought our new home in Napa the

decorating motif did not accommodate the rubbing and it was relegated to the garage where it hung for thirty years. During September Nicole and husband Dustin (photo below) came to Napa from Atlanta, Georgia to celebrate Sheri and Nicole's birthdays. When Nicole saw the rubbing in the garage she asked about it. Sheri told it's story and added that we couldn't use it but couldn't discard it either. Nicole became excited and said she loved it, we told her it was hers and we wrapped it up before she had a chance to change her mind.. The rubbing now hangs in a place of honor in her and Dustin's new home in Atlanta, Georgia.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in July 2012

**If all the world is a stage,
where is the audience sitting?**



Nikkie Feagin

Hi All!

Hotpop, aka Uncle Andy, told me to send you a photo.

Here is a picture of me and my husband, Dustin. Dustin and I will be celebrating our 6th wedding anniversary this Christmas, in our very first home that we purchased this August here in Georgia.

Hope you're having a wonderful autumn! Take care!

Debi

I guess it's about time I start putting in my 2-cents . This covers the high points at least.

This year has been a whirl wind of change with quiet pools of peace placed strategically enough to keep me from going crazy. Mike Garland and I have been together for 4 years and official for 6 months. We finally got married in a little local bar and grill on April 7. No honeymoon because we had already booked a cruise in June to Alaska (with Wanetta and Bill/ Shari and Andy) We had a great time.

My grand daughter, Baylee is growing like a weed and a joy to be around. Jessica has a very relaxed and nurturing parenting style. Which might be why the baby is so easy going. Jessica continues to work hard and take good care of herself and her daughter.

Emily has had some obstacles to overcome this year, but she is getting it together, going back to school, and working hard.

With the new husband I received a delightful gift: 2 new daughters! I now have 5 daughters and 1 grand daughter.

They are Jenna 22 and Sarah 25, beautiful, smart and fun. Jenna just started college and is working at a bank loan office. Sarah is working on a degree in Education and is a technical writer.

All the kids are old enough to accept our relationship with joy and each other without jealousy or competition... So far at least!

Hello Dear Family!

LOUGENA'S CLAN

I hardly know where to start. It has been quite a while since I've been in contact, but I want you to know that you are often in my heart and in my mind and in my dreams.

Life is good. My lovely granddaughters are growing up. Hannah's daughter, Maecy, turned 8 last week. She is in her second year with Oregon Children's Choir (www.occc.org). Their first concert of the year will be in December at Our Lady of the Lake church in Lake Oswego, OR. If you are nearby and would like to attend let me know and I will send information about the time, place and tickets.

Adrienne's older daughter, Nancy, will turn 9 in December. Her big news is that she started 3rd grade in a school which emphasizes science. She is a figure skater at the Sherwood Ice Rink and performs in their seasonal reviews. Her sister, Norah, will turn 5 this year on our shared birthday. She is looking forward to starting preschool this year. I am truly blessed to have them all so close to me. Spending time with them is my greatest joy.

Their mothers are wonderful also. Hannah continues to work for the City of Hillsboro. She and I are talking about running a craft/gift fair next holiday season. Sounds like fun to me.

Aaron, Adee's husband, works for FEI in Hillsboro and helps me by proofreading my blog before I post too many faux pas. We've discovered that Adee has a condition known as idiopathic gastroparesis. I wonder if any of you know of anyone else in our family afflicted with the same? The symptoms include feeling hunger and nausea at the same time, feeling full after only a bite or two of food, not digesting food in a timely manner, unexplained, prolonged vomiting and general malaise. We first became aware of it because she would begin vomiting for no apparent reason and not stop. After many trips to the emergency room for re-hydration she was diagnosed and is now working to create a lifestyle which will allow her to avoid more ER visits.

Brett's mother is ill so he is making many trips to Eugene to make sure she and her husband have all that they need. He has finished the first part of a very big project at work and is moving on to the next step. His ability to take life one day and one step at a time gives me a feeling of love and safety that I would like to share with all of you.

And for those of you who know Kevin, my "ex," and my daughters' father, he married a lovely woman about a year ago. They still live in McMinnville and would love to hear from you if you are ever in that area.

Finally me. I am doing very well. The transplant doctors say that I should live a long and happy life if I will just keep taking all those pills. And I will. My work has changed some. I am no longer working for someone else. For the last year I've been laying the groundwork to go back into private practice. However, I've discovered that I love giving workshops using conference calling and online connections. My next one will be November 5th about how to create the holiday season you really want without killing yourself with stress. Let me know if you would like to attend or know someone who could benefit from it.

Well, dear hearts, all my gratitude, love and respect for all the good work you do in this world.

In Love's Presence,
Given/Gwen/Wendy etc.

GROUP HUG



Why does "fat chance" and "slim chance" mean the same thing?

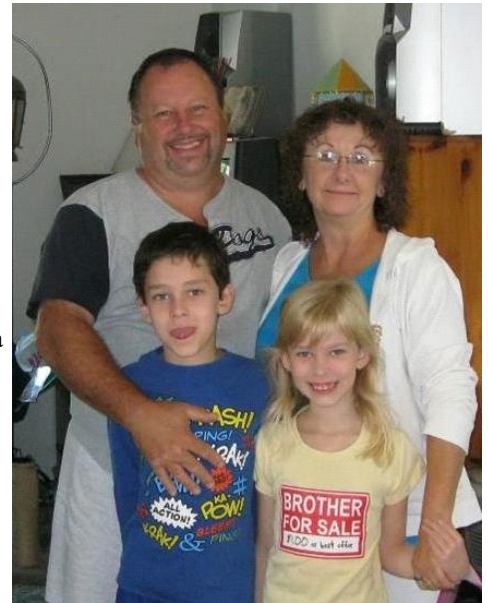
Jeri & Merle Fowler
in beautiful Benton City Washington.

We are grandparents,—WOO—HOO!!! Tara and Steve Clemm are the proud parents of Miss Morgan Clemm she is a healthy little girl. For being grandparents on Jeri's side, we have Jeremy age 5 and Andrew 9 months old—WOW all of a sudden I am really a grand father—did I say, WOW ?!

In August Pete was here from Florida for a few days she left panties and socks (guess she must be coming back soon—LOL). We also did some local tourism stuff but mostly Pete and Jeri sat around drinking wine and Pete telling lies about me growing up—LOL. Also in August Jeri had a school reunion in Coos Bay that we went to.

In September Jeri and I went on an Alaskan cruise it was our honeymoon trip—we were married 11 months ago and its been great!!—it was a great trip and we would like to go back sometime.

Aubree and Kennedy are very excited about the next family reunion so they can see Danica and Phoenix.



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JIM'S CLAN

K & L DEXTER [KALDEX@HOMENETNW.NET]

We look forward so seeing you at the reunion.

Our world, wow, we live to work and work to live. No I suppose this isn't what you want to hear me go on about....

Lets see, Jason came home in December and stayed until the end of August. He finally got a job in Moses Lake that he likes and is house sharing with a couple other guys (saves lots of money).

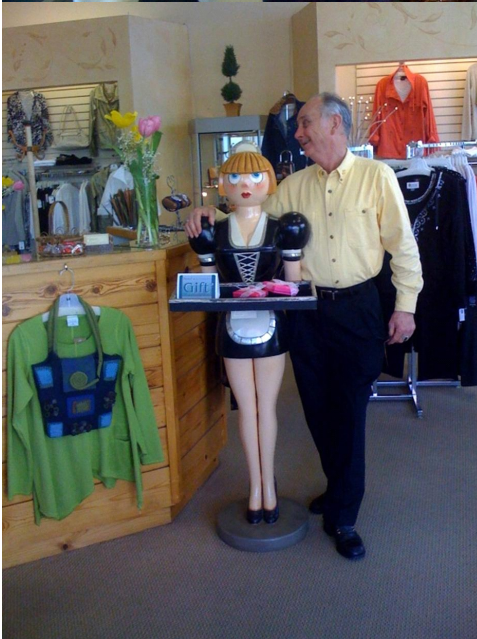
Jenee has been here since the end of March, so our little house has been full. The "furry" kids are still here. We replaced Roscoe (I still miss him) with Toby a lausaopso (spelling) he is quite a character. Baby is going blind and deaf (She will be 15 in March). Miss Angel kitten is now 10 and doesn't really care for her new brother dog. He is a little too rough, but they do play instead of actually fighting most of the time. We enjoy keeping in touch on face book. It reminds me how much I miss everyone. Not much else, we do plan on tenting instead of motel. Motels are nice but I miss the late night visits and early morning coffee chats. :) Love to all—We'll see you next summer— Lynda and Ken



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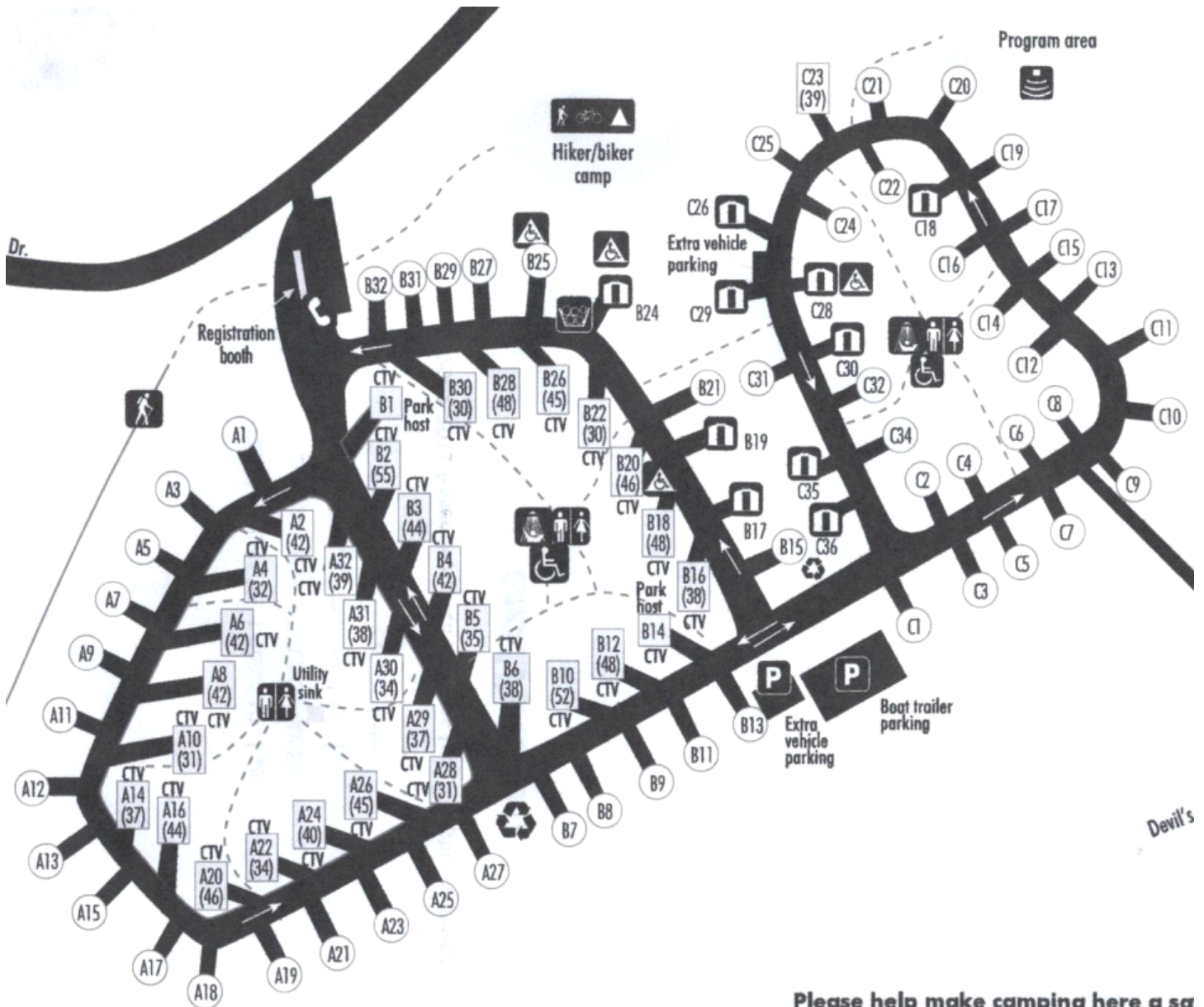
What other time of the year do you sit in front of a dead tree and eat candy out of your socks?

Zada joined our family through adoption

~finalized on February 18, 2011~



Forever Family



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