

## **APRIL 2016**

We are planning a weekend with a variety of fun options for kids of all ages and the back up option of just enjoying the company of, and getting to know more of our family!

As we get closer to the reunion I will post more info on our family reunion page on Facebook.

Please remember to bring your family t-shirts, something for the auction and pot luck dinner.

We have plans to have some light meal options throughout the weekend. Hotdogs, corn on the cob, and other camp side fare, s'mores kits and an ice cream social!

There are many things to do within the park and we are planning to have some games and fun competitions to keep things lively.

I sure hope we have our musicians show up to lead the family sing-a-long, it has become a family tradition over the years!

Sincerely, Debi & Jessica, 2016 Hosts

See last page of this publication for Information on ordering T-Shirts.

Hotels near Silver Falls! (Star rating next to name

\*ROOM INFO IS FOR 2 ADULTS, 2 QUEEN SIZE BEDS\*

☆☆☆Silverton Inn & Suites

503-873-1000 \$95.00 per night + \$15 per adult 310 N. Water St. Silverton, OR.

(17.4 miles from Silver Falls)

**☆☆☆Oregon Garden Resort** 

503-874-2500

\$109.00 per night / \$98 for AAA Members 895 W. Main St. Silverton, OR. (18.3 miles from Silver Falls)

**☆☆☆Bird & Hat Inn** 

503-769-7817 \$85.00 per night 717 N. 3rd Ave. Stayton, OR. (15.8 miles from Silver Falls)

**☆☆Rodeway Inn & Suites** 

503-769-9579 \$90.00 per night 300 SW Sublimity Blvd. Sublimity, OR. (14.6 miles from Silver falls)

# We need a co-auctioneer

#### **GETTING THERE:**

FROM THE NORTH... On I-5. Travel time 75 minutes.

Take I-5 south to the Woodburn exit (25 miles). Take Highway 214 through Woodburn and follow signs on Highway 214 to Mt. Angel (7 miles). Go through Mt. Angel on Highway 214 to Silverton (6 miles). From Silverton follow the signs to Silver Falls State Park on Highway 214 (15 miles).

FROM THE SOUTH... On I-5. Travel time 75 minutes.

Take I-5 north to the Highway 22 exit. Go east to Highway 214 and follow signs to Silver Falls State Park.

FROM THE EAST... On Highway 22. Travel time 3 hours.

Take Highway 20 northwest from Bend to Highway 22 and follow north to Highway 214 exit. Follow signs to Silver Falls State Park.



### The Gramma Lamp

18" tall ceramic "thing-ga-ma-bob"

Kenny wrote up 3 pages of rules for it, but Lynda took charge and cut them down. they are:

- 1. It must be prominently displayed in your home.
- 2. You must help update the diary with information about you and your family.
- 3. It must be brought and passed on at the next reunion.
- 4. the lamp possessor will be fined \$5 of found in violation of the above rules, and the fine will go to the family fund.

The lamp has been displayed in these homes:

- 1. 2004 LaVerne (Klancee)
- 2. 2006 Wanda
- 3. 2008 Debi
- 4. 2010 Jeanetta
- 5. 2012 Pete
- 6. 2014 Derryll
- 7. 2016 TBA

#### **EDITOR DERRYLL SAYS:**

- ⇒ The reunion is Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, but there are lots of folks that come early, Debi, Klancee, and Derryll will be there from Wednesday on.
- ⇒ Lunchables and drinks purchased by the family fund will be available in the group area on Friday so we can just sit and enjoy one another.
- ⇒ I can't stress enough for everyone to bring seating. Picnic tables are extremely hard to move. And at the end they are hard to put back when the crowd has diminished.
- ⇒ Klancee and Ken bring your canopies please.
- ⇒ Ken, will you assist again at the Ice-cream social?
- ⇒ Klancee and Derryll have discussed making a breakfast.
- ⇒ Debi will post a schedule of events: pot luck , auction , photo taking, family meeting, crafts and activity opportunities

#### Family meeting at Devils Lake 2014.

- Family loves the coast, though it's cool, as Ken said it's easier to dress warmer than cooler. Let's keep going to the beach.
- We want to do more communal stuff. Auction will continue. Planning to provide lunch and snack items for the group site on Fri & Sat. There's enough in the family fund to do this.
- Everyone needs to continue to encourage participation.
- More tables so the kids have a place to sit and eat rather than them having to balance food on their laps.
- More lawn chairs.

### WANDA'S CLAN

Dear Family,

Hope all is good for you and yours. We do not have much contact with any one except on face book. Thanks for posting, especially the photos. Hope to see you all in July.

Wanda is doing pretty well considering she is ninety five and broke her hip last spring. She gets around with the walker which she tries to ditch whenever she can! She really thinks she is still thirty five! We will try and bring her the reunion for Saturday. Marolyn still works in North Portland which is a long commute every day. Wm and I are still functioning just a lot slower now. Same old complaints. Nothing new to report.

Sherry and Andy have come to visit twice in the past months. It is always good to see them. Also Wannetta and Bill as well as Jeanetta have traveled to see us. Netta and Bill still work for the Nevada DMV and live in Carson City. Jeanetta also lives in CC and works and attends college. She is doing very well with her schooling.

As to the rest of our family:

Seliena and family live in Houston Texes. Seliena has blessed us with four great grand-children, Sarah, Ethan, and two new great grandchildren in recent years, Brantly and Adelyn. And Sarah Jean has added to the list by giving us great grandson Jasper. I do not know how Bill's other two daughters, Diana and Michelle, are as we are not in contact with them.

Autumn lives in Pendleton, married her fellow and Arbogast is now her last name. She is the mother of three children, Marcus, Madelyn, and Megan and is expecting number four. Sarah Megan is now a MItchell, lives in Walla Walla and is the mother of three children, Hunter, Samantha and Gunner.

Yes, we are now great grandparents of ten and great, great grandparents of one. The family has grown by leaps and bounds! Looking forward to July.

God Bless, Carolyn

### EUGENE'S CLAN

#### Violet Dexter 3/29/1937 — 2/29/2016

My mom was a sweet classy lady, always dressed sharp, her long hair was in bobby pins every night before bed, next day flowing waves, such a beautiful striking woman always putting herself last, everyone else first, not a taker but a giver. She was strong but gentle, asking for little but giving all she had. I say goodbye to my best friend. I loved mom very much.

Today, March 29<sup>th</sup>, is my mom's Birthday, she would have been 79yrs old, I miss her but I don't cry for my loss but celebrate the 55yrs she was in my life as my Mother. I'll remember her as a beautiful and loving woman who loved all her Children equally and without judgment.

I remember her when I was kid she never sat still, always working around the house never stopping to rest. She'd do her workouts in front of the TV set during Soap Operas, stopping only to watch the commercials. She couldn't sit through a movie only short sitcoms—for her there was always too many things to do and not enough hours in the day to do them. She always hugged me and said I love, and she did. I'm keeping those memories of my Mom because that's the real Violet Dexter.

Marcie Dexter



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### ORIN'S CLAN

Orina says she will fly to Fort Worth (Boyd), Texas May 3 -28th. She is excited to see Orin, Zubaidah, and Syafique after nearly 5 years. They are expecting a girl in May and Orina will be there for that. Her name is to be Saafia (our Sophia). Orina is not sure she will be coming to Oregon in July, but will be with us in spirit.

Jackie went to her property in Arizona this winter for a few weeks. Klancee was there at the beginning of her visit, and Orina lives there. Cousins on mom's side Skip and wife Mary were also at their place which was owned by Skip's dad and mom, and share a border having once been one lot. Vivian and Helen (our moms) were sisters.

Derryll was in Arizona too, in December. Helped Orina muck out her storage shed and attend the park-wide yard sale. It was nice sitting around catching up on gossip and what not with neighborhood folks who came by on their various ATV's.

Chuck and Billie are in Medford, they are also not sure of attendance this summer—Sure hope they can come.

Klancee will be leaving Reno in mid-June—Bend and Hood River and Silver Falls, then back home to Reno by way of the Oregon coast and Medford to see Chuck & family. (Klancee tells me this is not set in stone)

## **Information for T-Shirts, Sweatshirts**

You can order the t-shirts and sweatshirts that are on the paper brochure that is included in this newsletter. The order form is also on Dexter website too www.dexter.us.com

I am ordering the shirts from

## http://www.queensboro.com/home

so if you want to go to the website and find something else you can do that, but to have the "Dexter logo" on it you will need to order it through me.

Send me the number of the item, the price, and the size and color you want.

You can contact me through my email: klancee.dextercall@gmail.com, or call me 435-733-1868, Or send it US mail, check and order to

LaVerne Call 45 Franks Lane, Sun Valley, NV 89433

Please get your orders to me by June 1st, that gives me a month to get them made and sent back to me, before I leave to go to Oregon.

Thank you LaVerne Dexter

Crystal, Rich and Danica are all still at home in Bend. Rich stopped driving 18 wheels in Spring 2015—just a year ago—after 8 years. Danica is in 6th grade (12 YO) and mom has stopped volunteering at her school. Crystal now works at Bend Bed and Bath. It keeps her busy, folding, stocking, and flying from one end of the store to the other helping customers find what they need. Wish I still had that kind of energy.

Ralph fishes every day, he had a catching summer and fall, he came home almost every other day with fish. It has slowed down for him right now, but Salmon season just reopened, so maybe it will be catching not fishing again. Everyone we know in Hood River mentions seeing him down on the banks of the rivers shoulder to shoulder with other retirees.

I am making silver jewelry, silversmith (I make fire), working 4-6 craft fairs a year to get rid of it, and glad I have something to keep me busy. This is not a get rich endeavor, merely a retirement hobby to keep active.

Ashley (25 this summer) is planning a fall wedding (Oct 28th). You have all met the other half—Corey who has been coming to the reunions with her since they started dating—I think 5 years ago—so, 2 reunions maybe? She talks of opening her own business and buying a house this year too. three major life changes in one year, a boat load of stress is on her shoulders. They live in Vancouver, WA.