



The Miner Tremor



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31st Edition

Shullsburg High School Alumni News

Fall 2009

2009 Annual Meeting To be Held October 3rd

The sixteenth annual banquet and meeting of the Shullsburg Alumni Association will be held Saturday, Oct 3, 2009 at the Wheel In, Shullsburg with a social hour starting at 6:00 p.m. The Class of 1959 is planning to attend as they celebrate their 50th class reunion. Members celebrating their 45th, 40th, 35th, etc reunions will also be recognized.

We hope many of you will join us at the banquet. **A form to make your reservation is included with this newsletter. Please fill out the form and return it with your payment to the Shullsburg Alumni Association, PO Box 595, Shullsburg, WI by September 23, 2009.**

Tickets for the 50/50 raffle that supports the alumni newsletter are also included. Thank you for your continued support!

Welcome to our newest members: Dorothy (Hebenstreit) Jorgenson (46), Menomonee Falls, WI, Jim & Mary Ann Reilly, Shullsburg, Joyce (Gerlach) Paquette (42), Clear Lake, IA, Chris Byrne (80), Oregon, WI, and Susan (Shepherd) Torstenson (61), Darlington, WI.

New members from the Class of 2009: Bryce Blackbourn, Brittany Cullen, Chris Dammen, Nick Doyle, Briana Hinzman, Colton Laird, Brooks Lutes, Paige Monahan, Samantha Morrissey, Sam Moyer, Kala Nielsen, Julia Rebmann, Rachel Schwartz, Stephanie Spillane, Art Stocker, Katelin Teutschmann, Brooke Wedige and Courtney Woodward. (Memberships were given as gifts from Stacey Gardiner, Bob Boyle and Jerry Callahan)

CLASS of 2009

Shullsburg High School held commencement exercises for the Class of 2009 on May 22, 8:00 p.m. in the new gym. Receiving diplomas were Bryce Blackbourn (UW-Platteville), Peter Byrne (SWTC), Omar Cervantes (work), Brittany Cullen (work), Chris Dammen (Black Hawk Technical College), Nick Doyle (UW-P), Shianne Ferguson (work), Dylan Gile (SWTC), Amber Gleason (work), Duane Harker (work), Briana Hinzman (NICC-Peosta), Colton Laird (UW-P), Brittnee Larsen (work), Brooks Lutes (UW-Madison), Paige Monahan (UW-Richland Center), Samantha Morrissey (UW-Whitewater), Sam Moyer (UW-P), Max Muehleip (Concordia College), Ben Murphy (SWTC), Kala Nielsen (NICC-Peosta),

Blaine Nolte (work), Julia Rebmann*, Ashley Rood (UW-P), Rachel Schwartz (SWTC), Stephen Smith (work), Stephanie Spillane (Clarke College), Art Stocker (UW-P), Katelin Teutschmann (work), Brooke Wedige (UW-P), Karen Welsh (UW-P), Ashley Wiegel (UW-P), and Courtney Woodward (UW-P). *German exchange student

Brooks Lutes was honored as valedictorian and Max Muehleip as salutatorian. Max Muehleip was in Germany and not able to attend the ceremony.

Calendar of Events – 2009

September 19 – Fall Gathering Days

September 19 - Class of 1969 Reunion at the Wheel In

September 25 - Pep Rally at the Pit, 8:00 p.m.

September 26 - Homecoming Day, parade at 10:30 a.m., games with Benton/Scales Mound kicks off at 1:00 p.m.

September 26 - Class of 1964 Reunion at the Wheel In, contact Judy Hawthorne.

October 3 - Shullsburg Alumni Banquet and Meeting at Wheel In, social hour at 6 pm, dinner at 7 pm

October 3 - CHEESEFEST, Free entertainment, Hayrides, Arts & Crafts, Food & Refreshments

November 14 & 15 – Cabin Christmas

November 27 thru 29 - Bit Of Yesteryear Christmas “Home for the Holidays”, Open House on Water Street

November 28 - Holiday Tour of Homes, Lighted Christmas Parade, Fireworks



Fall Gathering Days

Fall Gathering days encompasses the whole town on Saturday September 19th. In the Gazebo Park, they will be serving brats, root beer floats, host vendors, a farmers market, pumpkins and lots of fall items. Canned goods, homemade foods, baked goods and the Amish Farmers Market round out the goodies available. Remember Mum is the word on Water

Street on September 19th. There will be a display of breathtaking mums available to purchase or to just enjoy viewing.

Live Music from 11 to 3 by Equal time. They are great entertainers and musicians. Dance your socks off and laugh until your belly hurts at their quick wit and great humor.

Join us in Shullsburg for a fantastic Fall Day plus don't miss the great shopping in all of our unique retail spots. Be sure to stop in at one of the restaurants. Fantastic food and beverages available every day!



Mary O'Leary's Second Annual Cabin Celebration on September 19th. Visit an 1850's Historic Cabin and stroll thru antiques, Hand duds, Folk Artists, pumpkins, gourds, food, music and artisans on the grounds. The Fever River Band will provide music to your ear. Pick out an heirloom pumpkin and enjoy a fall day in the country. Take County O north of Shullsburg then turn left on Silverthorn Road.



Cheesefest

The Cheesefest tradition continues on Saturday, October 3. Cheesefest 2009 sees the return of great crowd pleasers. Our annual event takes place on Historic Water Street. Our free, family entertainment continues throughout the day on our main stage. The crowd will enjoy the return of TOM BLACK for another year. Tom is a local favorite who performs at various venues. His version of New York, New York should not be missed. TOM HACKL will join the lineup this year to add more variety to the stage. ERNIE HENDRICKSON has the musical resume of a seasoned veteran. Hendrickson has had the pleasure of opening for and sharing bills with artists such as Jon Scofield, Victor Wooten, Leftover Salmon, Tim Reynolds, The Jerry Garcia Band, Merl Saunders, and Particle, along with playing the most prestigious of venues and festivals. We haven't forgotten the younger generation. DAVID LANDAU performs for the children. David's unique style will keep the kids entertained.

The Fire Department will host their breakfast beginning at 7:00 a.m. What a great way to start the day! Participate in the 1 Mile, 5K & 10K Walk/Run beginning at 8:30 a.m. The Arts & Crafts Market will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue throughout the day. There is something for everyone. Many local clubs and organizations offer fresh baked goods and other treats. Stop and explore then enjoy your treats as you stroll down Water Street and enjoy the free entertainment.

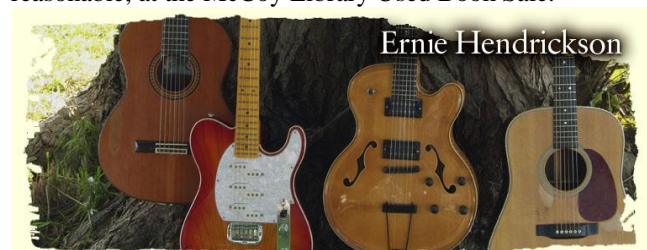
The Roelli Cheese factory on Highway 11 just a few miles east of town will host visitors interested in cheese making. The factory viewing area is the perfect spot to see the transformation from milk to yummy cheese. Chris will be happy to explain the process. Be sure to get there early as cheese makers start early in the morning. You'll want to grab a bag of the squeaky fresh cheese curds. Sara Kaufman will be on hand at the Shullsburg Creamery carving 40 lb. blocks of cheddar.

The "Taste of Shullsburg" Cheese Baking Contest will be held at the Community Center. Bring your favorite recipe that includes any type of cheese. Categories include appetizers, main dishes and desserts. Prizes will be awarded.

Join in the fun at the Cheese Curd Eating Contest. There's nothing better than fresh, squeaky cheese curd. Bring your friends and join the competition.

Local residents are busy planning their Cheesefest themed scarecrows. Take a hayride around town to view their creativity. You'll be sure to find a favorite.

Search for a new book, or choose several, as the prices are reasonable, at the McCoy Library Used Book Sale.



Ernie Hendrickson will be performing at Cheesefest in the afternoon and again at the Wheel In that evening after the Alumni Banquet. Ernie is the son of Dean & Beth (Aurit) Hendrickson (both 72). Come to the banquet and stay for the music afterwards!

Cabin Christmas



Mary O'Leary's Cabin will be open on Saturday, November 14, and Sunday, November 15th to celebrate the upcoming holiday. Look for more information on their website at <http://www.tailingscountryside.com>

"A Bit of Yesteryear" Christmas

Home for the Holidays

Shullsburg is busy making plans for our Holiday weekend! Merchants and restaurants on Historic Water Street will be ready with Christmas greenery and lighted shop windows. Our traditional events will be part of the weekend. With so many families getting together for Thanksgiving, they are adding new family events to our weekend.

Begin your day with the Holiday Tour Of Homes. Tickets are available at the Shullsburg Community Townsend Center. Guests this year will be visiting the new lodging in town. Hempstead Lodging, part of the Tailing Country Store building, will be on tour for the first time. Donna (Corley) Shepherd (69) has converted part of the popular Tailings Country Store into warm and welcoming lodging. Be the first to see this new lodging in Shullsburg. You can enjoy Christmas in the country at the home of Cliff & Teresa Burgess. Their family invites you to their new home decorated for the Holidays. Erik (94) & Lori (Teutschmann) Kudronowicz (96) are ready for the Holidays in their ranch style home in Shullsburg. Join them to celebrate the Holidays. They are still working on the Holiday tour so be sure to check the website, www.shullsburgwisconsin.org for updates.

Our new "Home For The Holidays" theme will add family friendly events to this wonderful Holiday weekend in Shullsburg. We encourage families to join us for our new events – decorating Christmas cookies, making Christmas cards and ornaments. These are hands on projects and everyone will be able to take their masterpieces home to enjoy for years to come. Except the cookies, of course! They should be enjoyed soon after they are made. Children must be accompanied by an adult. A nominal fee will be charged. What a great way to make memories with your children and grandchildren!!

The Shullsburg Community Development Corporation will feature a Red Wing Pottery cherry band pitcher this year as part of its Red Wing collection of pottery pieces offered over the past several years. The numbered, limited edition pitcher will be available at the Shullsburg Townsend Community Center. There are only 100 available so you won't want to miss this opportunity to add to your pottery collection.

When it's time for lunch, stop by the Methodist Church for a piece of homemade pasty. The ladies continue the tradition of offering pasty (a hearty meat & potatoes pie) found in the lunch box of the local miners. If pasty is not to your liking, the many restaurants on Water Street offer a varied menu of delicious dishes.

Spend the afternoon shopping or visiting with family and friends, have dinner in one of our fine restaurants and end the day enjoying our ever popular lighted Christmas parade. Following the parade, red and green fireworks light the sky. A perfect ending to a perfect day in historic Shullsburg!

In our Neighborhood



Barn Quilt Blocks Appear in County

A group calling itself Barn Quilts of Lafayette County is promoting a project to paint and install 8 foot by 8 foot painted "quilt blocks" on local barns and sheds. So far 13 quilt blocks are in place with 29 more on a list to be completed. The group is looking for volunteers to help paint and mount the quilt blocks. The group plans to print a brochure this fall so people can travel through the county on a "barn quilt tour". For more information call the Lafayette County UW-Extension office at 608 776-4820 or go to their website <http://lafayette.uwex.edu/BarnQuiltsOfLafayetteCounty.html>

Reunions

We would like to have a record of reunions held so if you have a handbook, pictures, a DVD or PowerPoint presentation used for your class reunion, etc. please send us a copy either electronically or in print for our archives.



The Class of 1974 held their 35th class reunion on July 3, 2009 at the Wheel In, Shullsburg. Those present were:

1st Row: Dick Hendrickson, Lori Burns, Mark Wiegel, Debbie (Stoycheff) Deuvell, Sue, (Leahy) Doyle, Karen Ryan, Janet (Sanderson) Glasgow

Brad Mowry, Janet (Allendorf) Bussan, Cindy (Ubersox) Anderson, Sandee (Webster) Schunk, Jackie (Byrne) Curry-Folley, Debbie (Herbst) Sargent, Chris Teutschmann

Randy Laird, Donnie Gile, Dave Teasdale, Mick Schwartz, Ted Teutschmann, Mark Fields, Tony Averkamp, Emmett Reilly, Dennis Edge, Dave Schollmeyer, Pat Heim, Jeff Russell

Class of 1984



The Class of 1984 held their 25th class reunion on July 3, 2009 at Frank's Place, Shullsburg. Below is a photo from the reunion. Those pictured in the front row are: Chris (Fick) Lacke, Kelly (Kremer) DiTulio, Angie (Aurit) Alexander. Back row: Jim Edge, Melissa (Webster) Niemiera, Lisa (Webber) Temple, Paula (Probst) Holland, Teri (Herbst) Brennan, Monica Engels, Maxine (Troy) DeYoung. Not pictured, Mick Lacke and Mike Moyle. A slide show and unique trivia game were enjoyed by all. We look forward to our 30th Reunion to be held homecoming weekend in 2014!

Upcoming Reunions

September 19, 2009 – Class of 1969, Wheel In – contact Sandy Necolins

September 26, 2009 – Class of 1964, Wheel In – contact Judy Hawthorne

October 3, 2009 – Class of 1959, Wheel In – Alumni Banquet

Music in the Park

The Music in the Park series was another success in 2009. The four Thursday billings started out on July 16th with The Resistors. The Fever River Band featuring local artist Jim Leitzinger (73) along with the Shullsburg Community Development Corp. Ice Cream Social filled the second night with bluegrass standards, ice cream and memories of days gone by.

The third week featured the Wundo Band (Platteville) who warmed the crowd with a mix of old rock n roll songs and old country standards. The crowd pleasuring performance of Tud Bowden on “electric hand saw” brought the crowd to it’s feet asking for more. The food was provided by Frank’s Place and Water Street Place. The final week was the Lion’s Club Chicken Dinner. The dinner was well attended. The music was provided by Cruise. They played a mix of rock n roll songs.

Shullsburg Music in the Park, Inc organization is looking to continue the series again in 2010. The series is paid for with donations from the crowd and community organizations. If

you would like to make a donation to Music in the Park, please send your donation to Music in the Park, **????**, Shullsburg, WI 53586.

Did You Know...?



Shullsburg has been the home of some interesting people at times. One of them was William Law. He was born in County Tyrone, Ireland in 1809. His family immigrated first to Pennsylvania then to Canada. He grew up in the Toronto area, marrying 19-year-old Jane Silverthorn in 1833. In 1839 missionaries visited the area. William and his wife were baptized and then traveled by wagon to nearby Kirtland with a group of converts. There the Laws met Prophet Joseph Smith, the founder of a still fairly new sect that called themselves "The Church of the Latter Day Saints", more commonly known today as Mormons.

William Law became known for his education, writing ability and great energy. Law and his wife traveled to Nauvoo, Illinois along with other members of the Church. There Law became a wealthy mill and storeowner. He must have made quite an impression on Joseph Smith. On January 19, 1841 Joseph Smith "received a revelation in which the Lord named William Law to become a Counselor in the First Presidency." Law began moving within the inner circles of the Church hierarchy, working closely with Smith. He also served on the City Council of Nauvoo and as a registrar of the City's University.

However, it wasn't long before Law was at odds with the teachings of the Prophet, questioning the validity of "continuing revelation" and refusing to accept Plural Marriage (polygamy). It has been rumored that Joseph Smith invited Jane Law to leave William and become one of his (Smith's) wives, which may have been the final straw for William.

Law set up a newspaper called the *Nauvoo Expositor*, printing information to expose Joseph Smith's lesser-known teachings such as plural marriage and control of local politics by the Church, which caused great dissention among the church membership. Smith (who was the elected Mayor of Nauvoo) retaliated by inciting a mob of church members to destroy Law's printing office and press shortly after the first edition was printed.

Through various mechanisms of the Church, Smith pressed to remove Law from the Church membership, considering him "a Judas in our midst". He accused Law of scheming to plan his murder. His efforts found success in April 1844 when William Law was officially excommunicated from the Church on the charge of "apostasy" or defection from the faith.

Law attempted to form his own church calling it "the True Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints", but was unsuccessful. However, as a result of articles printed in Law's newspaper and public unrest incited by the Prophet's

teachings, the Governor of Illinois declared Joseph Smith and his brother, Hyrum "dangerous men, guilty of treason" and ordered the Illinois Militia to arrest them. The Smith brothers and two other elders of the Church surrendered themselves to authorities in Carthage, IL and were jailed on June 24, 1844. Three days later an angry mob of armed town militiamen attacked the jail. Both Joseph Smith and his brother, Hyrum, died of multiple gun shot wounds. The other two elders lived to pronounce Joseph Smith a martyr of the Church.

William Law and his family left the area after some accused him of being present in the mob at the time of Smith's murder. He eventually settled in, you guessed it, Shullsburg, Wisconsin. Where, according to a Mormon historian, "he lived a long life and died in well-deserved obscurity still filled with hatred and bitterness on January 19, 1892." According to local information, Law practiced as a medical doctor in Shullsburg and was well liked and respected. William and Jane Law are buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Shullsburg.

Excerpted from *William Law: Biographical Essay, Nauvoo Diary, Correspondence & Interview by Lyndon W. Cook and History of the Church-Mormon Research Ministry.*

Bits and Pieces

Alumni Updates

30's

Elva (Glindinning) Harker (37), Shullsburg, celebrated her 90th birthday on June 11, 2009.

Margaret (Fisher) Mulcahy (37), Shullsburg, celebrated her 90th birthday on August 16, 2009 with an open house.

60's

Charlie Sargent (65), Benton, WI was inducted into the Tractor Pullers Hall of Fame during the 2009 Lafayette County Fair held in July. He was recognized for contributions to the sport and to the organization.

70's

Michael and Shari (Woodworth) Comeaux (76), Scottsdale, AZ, are celebrating their daughter, Alexandra's graduation from Notre Dame Preparatory High School in Scottsdale. The ceremony took place on May 19, 2009. Alexandra will attend Barretts Honor College at ASU in Tempe, AZ this fall.

80's

Rev. David Hoppenjan (82) was ordained on June 8, 2009 at the First United Methodist Church in Montgomery, AL. David is a 1987 graduate of UW-Platteville, and a 2006 graduate of Asbury Theological Seminary. David is currently serving as executive pastor at Shalimar United Methodist Church in Shalimar, Florida. He and his wife, Jennie, and sons Andy and Michael reside in Shalimar.

90's

Roxanne Boardman (90) was named to UW-Platteville's Chancellor's List and Dean's List for the spring 2009 semester where she is working on a Broad Field Science degree.

Brock Gill (97), Apple River, IL, was named to the Dean's List at Loras College, Dubuque, IA for the spring 2009 semester where he is working on his master's degree.

Amanda (Troy) Williams (98) earned her Master of Science in Education at UW-Platteville in August 2009.

00's

Mariah Diedrich (04) was named to UW-Platteville's Dean's List for the spring 2009 semester. Mariah graduated during the summer commencement with degree in business administration.

Named to UW-Platteville's Chancellor's List and Dean's List for the spring 2009 semester were Justin Crotty (07) and Johanna Doyle (06).

Named to UW-Platteville's Dean's List for the spring semester were Patrick Harker (06), Kari Hill (06), Brittany Foley (04), and Andrew Moyer (06).

Nick Schoenhard (04) graduated from UW-Stout during the spring commencement with a degree in engineering technology with a production operation concentration.

Adam Brown (05) graduated from UW-Madison during spring commencement with a degree in business, finance and banking. He was also named to the Dean's List for the 2009 spring semester.

Lindsey Russell (05) graduated from UW-Eau Claire with a degree in English during the spring 2009 commencement ceremony.

Whitnie Schwartz (05) was named to the Dean's List at UW-Whitewater for the spring 2009 semester.

Kelly (Popp) Altfillisch (05) graduated from Loras College, Dubuque, IA during the spring commencement. She has earned a degree in athletic training with a minor in coaching.

Alicia Carrier (06) was named to the Dean's List at UW-Oshkosh for the spring 2009 semester.

Lori Ann Schoenhard (07) received academic honors at UW-Green Bay for the spring 2009 semester. She also received the Thomas and Grace Stevenson Jones Scholarship for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Samantha Peacock (07) was named to the Dean's List at UW-La Crosse for the spring 2009 semester.

Brooke Wedige (09) was awarded the UW-Platteville Community Scholarship for SHS. Brooke is a freshman majoring this fall in pre-physical therapy.

Wedding Anniversaries

Richard and Marian (Wiegel) Kelly (59), Darlington, WI celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house held Sunday, July 26th at the Wheel In, Shullsburg. They were married July 22, 1959 at Our Lady of Hope Church, Seymour. The couple has seven children: Diana Michek, Donna Seman, Dennis, Dorothy Kent, Dan, Dale and Doug. They also have 15 grandchildren.



John (59) and JoAnn (Gensler) Weiskircher (58), Shullsburg, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 25, 2009. The couple was married at St. Matthew's Catholic Church, Shullsburg. They have four daughters, Jackie Leitzinger (78), Shelly Rennert (79), Becky Lange (81), and Kelly Dzurka (82). They also have 16 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Randy and Julie (Teasdale) Gill (both 69), rural Shullsburg, celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on June 8, 2009. The couple has 4 children, Brett (95), Brad (97), Brooke Fennell (00) and Brittany Lyne (02). They also enjoy their eight grandchildren (all under age 5).

Randy (74) and Donna (Graham) Laird (77), Shullsburg, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on June 23, 2009. The couple has two children, Ryley (05) and Colton (09).



Dan and Sue (Harker) Morrissey (both 82), Shullsburg, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on July 21, 2009. The couple has two daughters, Stephanie (02) and Kimberly (06).

Weddings



Scott Foley (92) and Natalie Holland, both of Anchorage, Alaska were united in marriage on July 3, 2009 in Las Vegas, NV at the Mandalay Bay Wedding Chapel. Scott is a chiropractor with Curzie Chiropractic Center and Natalie is a middle school teacher in Anchorage. Their home is at 213 Fawn Court, Anchorage, AK 99515.



Brooke Foley (02) married Gary Butts at Centenary United Methodist Church, Shullsburg, on July 18, 2009. Their reception was held at the Sports Page, Belmont, WI. Brooke has degrees from Southwest Technical College in Fennimore in supervisory management and marketing. She is employed by Walgreens. Gary, a graduate of Belleville High School is also employed by Walgreens.



Jessica Lyne (98) married Nicholas Birkett on June 6, 2009 at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Hazel Green. Jessica is a surgical technician at Mercy Medical Center, Dubuque, Iowa, and Midwest Regional Medical Center, Galena, IL. Nicholas is a 2009 graduate of UW-Platteville in Business Administration and Management.

Josh Woodworth (01) married Carmen Hernandez at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, Phoenix, AZ, on May 23, 2009. The couple's home is at 10934 West Pierson Street, Phoenix, AZ.

Births

Joe (97) and Julianne Ubersox, rural Shullsburg, are parents of a son, Brady Schilling, born July 1, 2009. Brady joins a brother, Nolan, 5.

Tim Appell (94) and Wendy Hicks, Shullsburg, are parents of a son, Remington Wayne, born May 25, 2009. Remington joins a sister, Jada.

Jason (92) and Holli Johnson, Darlington, WI, are parents of a daughter, Anyka Helen, born July 13, 2009. She joins a brother, Kyler and a sister, Alyza.

Bob (99) and Katie Schoenhard, Reedsburg, WI, are parents of a daughter, Caroline Mae, born April 8, 2009.

Casey and Brooke (Gill) Fennell (00), Brodhead, WI, are parents of a son, Colton John, born May 19, 2009.

Matt (03) and Laurel (Steger) Hartung (04), Shullsburg, are parents of a daughter, Anna Jean, born April 28, 2009.

Ashley Wiegel (09) and Eric Reeder, Shullsburg, are parents of a son, Noah Bradley, born May 27, 2009.



Phillip and Katie (Weiskircher) Curry (00), Darlington, are the parents of a son, Charlie David, born July 5, 2009.

Obituaries



Bergen (Tink) Townsend (30), Shullsburg, died May 15, 2009 at the age of 95.

Bergen lived in Shullsburg all of his life. He married Gertrude Gile in 1935. He worked for the Pet Milk Co. & AMPI Receiving and Testing Station in Shullsburg for 40 years, 34 of which he was a station manager, retiring in 1975.

Bergen was an avid sports fan and will be especially remembered for his baseball abilities. He was a catcher for Shullsburg, Galena and Apple River city teams until he was 37 years old, and a faithful fan of the Chicago Cubs for many years. He also has been mentioned in a recently released book titled, "Galena's Baseball Legacy," written by Don Korte. Bergen had served as a regional commissioner for Southwest Wisconsin District Semi-Pro Baseball for several years. He was also an "unofficial" local historian.

Surviving are his wife of 72 years, Gert, at home; their children, Ken (Bernadine) Townsend (54), of rural East Dubuque, IL, Jim (Carol) Townsend (56), of Bellevue, IA,

Dick (Donna) Townsend, of Moline, IL, Betty (Dave) Thompson, of Caledonia, IL, Tom (Nerrie) Townsend (62), of Arlington Heights, IL, Harry (Pat) Townsend (68), of Cuba City, and Diane (Judd) Jones (73), of Montgomery, IL, 23 grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; a great-great-granddaughter; and a sister, Kathleen Davison (42), of Shullsburg.



Marian (Farrey) Thompson (41), Shullsburg, died June 18, 2009. She married Paul Thompson in 1943 in Dubuque, IA. They made their home on a farm east of Shullsburg. Marian was an excellent baker. She enjoyed crossword puzzles, playing the piano, and reading. Her children, Glenn Thompson (62) and

Eunice Burkholder (72), three grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter survive her.



John "Jack" Alexander (48), Benton, WI, died June 13, 2009. He married Pauline Kearns in 1947. He worked for Caradco Company in Dubuque, IA and later at John Deere Tractor Works in Dubuque from 1961-1971. After managing the Cole Acres Country Club for a year in 1972, Jack began a 35-year career with New York Life Insurance Company, becoming one of their top agents.

Jack excelled in athletics during his high school years. He loved sports all his life and was an ardent fan of the Benton Zephyrs. He was a member of the Benton Fire Department, serving as chief and helping to build the current fire station. Jack was elected to the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors from 1992-2008, serving as committee chairman for Law Enforcement, the Health Department, and the Lafayette Manor. His wife, Pauline, survives him as well as his children, Linda Alexander, Alan, David, JoAnn, and Patti. 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren also survive him.

Elizabeth "Betty" (Logan) Homrich (51), Galena, IL, died August 14, 2009. She married Louis Homrich on March 20, 1969. Together they raised two daughters. Betty loved the outdoors, gardening, and birdwatching. She enjoyed being a homemaker and spending time with her family. Her husband, Louis, her daughters Ann Wienen and Sue Einsweiler, her brother Bob Logan (51), and four grandchildren survive her.

Gordon Rees (63), Darlington, WI, died June 21, 2009. He married Lana Wray in 1969. They farmed near Darlington for many years. Gordon also worked for People's Oil Company since 1969. He loved hunting, fishing, sports, riding and repairing motorcycles and spending time with his family.

His wife, Lana, his children Chuck, Justin and Lori Myers, and four grandchildren survive him. His seven brothers, John, William, Robert, Graham, Sam, Roger, and Grant and his six sisters, Jeanne Norton, Beth Pack, Geri Leith, Sherry Groom, Rosie Jakalot, and Donna Reddington also survive him.



Darrell C. Laird (69) of Leadmine, WI, passed away on May 5, at home following a courageous battle with cancer. Darrell served our country in the Army and was a Vietnam veteran. He loved to fish, hunt and ride his motorcycle. Prior to his illness he was employed by Farm & Fleet in Platteville and Truck Country in Shullsburg as a mechanic for many years. Darrell is survived by his son, Brad (00) of Iowa City; sister Connie (75) of Platteville; brother, Randy (Donna) (74), Shullsburg, two nephews, Ryley (05) and Colton (09), and his former wife Naomi (Bowman), Salt Lake City, Utah.

SCHOOL NEWS

Staff Notes

Scott Matye has been hired on a one year contract as Athletic Director at SHS, a position open due to Bob Boyle's recent retirement. Matye is the industrial arts instructor and varsity football coach at SHS.

Former SHS principal Doug McArthur has accepted the position of principal at Darlington High School starting July 1, 2009.

"Miner Tremor" Online

The Miner Tremor is a biannual publication designed to keep SHS alumni and friends informed of activities, changes and events happening in Shullsburg. This publication is funded using monies generated by the SHS Alumni Association.

Letters to the editor are welcome, as are suggestions for articles and alumni updates.

We highly encourage all members to gain information about the publication of the newsletter via email. All 29 previous issues of the *Miner Tremor* are now available online. If you'd like to view any of them go to <http://www.shullsburg.k12.wi.us/> under Alumni Association and/or <http://home.centurytel.net/genslers/tremor.html>. You'll be asked for the password, it is student teacher (all lower case, with a space between the words). If you are receiving this and would be willing to get information via email, please contact us shullsburgalumni@live.com or mary.gensler@centurytel.net. Policy for newsletters can be found in the Spring 2009 edition.

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Gene Alderson (49), Santa Ana, CA - \$45
Jack (63) & Susan (Poppy) McCoy (62), Madison, WI - \$200
Steve (65) & Mary (Harty) Ubersox (64), Cherry Valley, IL - \$15
Norma (Bertram) Steele (37), Bloomington, IL - \$25
Robert (45) & Mary (Gile) McCoy, Las Vegas, NV - \$200
Larry Jackson (73), Raleigh, NC - \$5
Anna (Keyes) Vosberg (51), Platteville, WI - \$10
Community Foundation of SW Wisconsin - \$25
Robert Byrne (76), Dubuque, IA - \$10
Nancy (Shepherd) Schleicher (72), Lake Geneva, WI - \$10
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