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To my former classmates of dear old BBCH S I extend a very warm welcome to our 40th class reunion. Held at the Kings Court, Sept 19th 1981.

As I promised in our letter I will endeavor to bring you up to date on the happenings of our former classmates. So please bear with me as I intend to type this news as I receive those little file cards that I sent you.

First to answer (and wouldn't you know it) was Wanda Hurts Hop. 5888 Boot Lake Rd. Eagle River Wisc. 54521. Wanda & Henry will be married 40 years on Feb. 20th 1982. Son Terrence lives in Jeffersonville, Ind. Daughter Laurie Regas in KKK. One grandson Nick is age 10. Wanda is retired Mgr. of Manpower Inc. "We are enjoying our retirement. We spend 5-6 months at our home in Wisc. and 3-4 Mo. in Fla., so we have the best of both worlds. Henry is a retired Land Developer. Hello to all of you & sorry we can't be there. We will miss it & be thinking of all of you." (A special thanks of Wanda for all the years she kept up the correspondence for our class.)

Next to answer was Sue Stubblefield Neely. One of our Senior class sponcers. Ms. Neely lives at 16288 Cunningham Rd. Pecatonica, Il 61063. Husband Harold is retired. Daughter Susan works for Pub. Aid in Rockford. Son George lives in Rockford also. Son Leland in Memphis Tn., is in advertising for CoverGirl. The Neely's are avid Barger shop singers and Sue is completing her 30th year. She signed her letter "Sing-cerely."

Now if you think I can put Opal Bisping Marchbanks two type written pages in one paragraph, you are crazy. Ernest and Opal live at 438 Clarence Lane, Escondido, Ca 92025. They live on a small ranch with avocados and citrus and a lovely view of the mountains. Daughter Cholly & family live 2 miles away and raise appaloosa horses. They have four sons and one daughter. The granddaughter is 13 years old and is said to look like Opal. Son Chip has a 2 1/2 year old son. He lives in Fountain Vally and teaches at Golden West College. Opal is a volunteer at a hospital and misses her working, but has flowers to tend and collects antiques. Especially china. Ernie would like to retire from his work as a litho-artist and just do fine art and sculpting or tend to his garden and trees. They keep a mobil home and boat on Lake Mead, where all the family enjoys water skiing. They are also only an hour out of Las Vegas where Opal says even if she does win, Ernie ends up loosing all of it anyway. But she thinks he is a real winner in all other respects. The rest of her letter was a real trip down memory lane. One that we will all be taking on Sept 19th. (Opal says she is a frustrated writer.)

Mark Marlaire says, "40 year reunion, you have to be kidding, it can't be that long ago." Heloise and Mark live at 3222 37th Ave. Rock Island, Il 61201. Mark left A. O. Smith in 1957 to join American Air Filter Co, in Moline. They manufacture heating and air condition equipment. Oldest son Mark is at Univ. of Wisc. working on his doctorate in American History. His wife is working for doctorate in Sociology. They have 3 boys. Michele is graduate of Drake Univ. in Iowa. She works for a travel agency. Micheal received his masters in June from SIU. His wife Ruth is a graduate of SIU also. She is teaching Science and Chem. They have a 3 1/2 year old boy named Justin. (Let's see now, that's 4 grandsons, will Mark you still have time to get a basketball team together.)



How happy I was to catch up with Emily Bushey Moore, and what a busy lady she is. Paul Moore is the young man that Emily met while she was a senior at BBCHS. They serve at Church of the Nazrine, 1304 W. Broadway, Mt Pleasant, Mich 48858. They have three sons, two of them are ministers, and the youngest is still in school studying communications. The Moores have three grandsons. Two are identical twins, which Emily says she can't tell apart.

What does she do? Besides being a pastors wife, she is District Missionary President. She has 5 books published for their denomination. This past year she and her husband spent 3 weeks in ministry in the West Indies. She says, "it was a terrific experience, and trust we were a blessing. Sorry we can't attend the reunion."

As for me, Doris Christensen Dixon, Horace and I live at 740 Jonette, Bradley We were married 1-14-73. My husband is maintenance mechanic at Sun Chemical. Me, I just recently retired from Samuels after 28½ years. I did about every thing that has to do with running a womens retail clothing store. I want you to know this is an early retirement, as the store closed. I plan to take a vacation, visiting Isreal and possibly Egypt if it can be arranged. Then I will probably look for some kind of a part time job. My family, Sherry is Director of Nursing at Hilman Hospital, grand-children are Lela 19, and Rusty 17. Jackie will be moving back home from Texas, but granddaughter Julie now 18 will be staying in Houston. The boys, Larry in Franklin Tenn, as Supr. of undergrown Cable and Kevin at home works as a guard. (932-3805 - phone)

Francis and Anne Marie Du Voisin were married 3-10-52. They live at 259 Le Vasseur, Bourbonnais, Il 60914. We know it as the Perry farm. Fran lists his job as "still a farmer and have lived here on the Perry farm for 57 years. We have one son who is married. A daughter who has given us a granddaughter and a grandson. The youngest daughter is going to Eastern Univ."

Harriet Tambling Topliff lives at 3835 Camelot Circle Apt #16 Decatur Il. 62526. Harriet has a son and a daughter, also two granddaughters. She is still employed as asst Underwriters Insurance.

Eldon Saltsider 1472 D. Hawksnest Dr. St Charles, Mo 63301 Who else would list under wife; "had three and looking?" Eldon has two daughters Diane 21, Donna 19. His two sons are James 20 and Steven age 17. If you can get him to talking about his family, you will find that he is very proud of his children. You know Salty does a lot of traveling in his job as Sales Mgr. of Dynapar Corp. I think he should be nominated for a Public Relations award. He sure keeps track of every one.

William Ponikvar 495 S. Grand, Bradley. (933-4305) Willie was married to Verna Cotter for 23 years. Verna passed away in 1968. She and Willie had four daughters. Kathy a teacher at BBCHS. Mary a housewife has one child.. Nancy is also a housewife and part time clerk. And Julie a student (4) year at Eastern Univ. Willie has completed 39 years with the railroad. Starting out with the old New York Central and now Con Rail. He is just starting his 4th term on the Bradley Village board. (Willie has been my biggest booster and much help with this reunion. Special thanks for the use of the "BRADLEYAN" monthly and years books.)



Edward Osenga PO Box 33 Point Lookout, Mo. 65726 (417-334-6411) Ed and Joan were married 35 years on Aug 17th. (8-17-46). They have 4 sons and one daughter, also 3 3/4 grandchildren. Rick is with Continental Telephone. Tom is with Missouri Water Patrol. Annette is enrolled in Cox Med. Center-Burgh School of Medicine & Nursing. Dan is with Army Intelligence in Berlin, Germany. And James is a Jr. in H.S. this year. Ozark College is fortunate to have Ed as Treasurer of the School for the past 14 years. He evidently did something right, as he will assume the position of Treasurer and Vice. President of Finance in June of next year. Congratulations SLIM. Ed says he's not slim anymore, but he still has hair, even if it is gray. They have lived in the Branson, Mo. tourist area forover 20 years. (Fishing, Silver DollarCity and Country Music.) He invites any one to stop by for a visit if they are in the area.

Mildred Hartman Corlett and husband Francis have a new address. As of Aug. 10th they have retired to 104 W. Parrott Dr. Port Richey, Florida 33568. Millie spent 13 years with G. F. Promotional Center until June 19th of this year. She and Frankie have a beautiful home with a small yard and citrus trees. They are just 10 min from the beach. Millie says she will think of us when the snow flies and feel bad. The Corlett family consists of two boys, Duane and Dennis. Their are four girls, Debora, Dawn, Darcy and Dena. Grandchildren number seven.

Connie Mulligan Moilan and her husband Jim live at R # 3 Box 62 Kankakee. 933-6322. They have been married for 17 years. Connie is a book-keeper at Blitz Electrical Supply Co. Daughter Lauren Marie La Cost is 26 years old, She is their pride and joy. Lauren has finished college and has decided to take time off to join the Pro-Bowling team. Watch for this little gal, she is a real winner.

Mark Larimer R# 102 Bourbonnais Il 60914 - 932-9297. Mark and Claire were married on 7-1-50. The Larimer's have 9 children and 6 grandchildren. Mark is an accountant, his busniss is on Broadway and he specializes in Income Tax. Got a tax problem? See Mark.

John Casino 1384 Circle Dr. N.E., Kankakee, Il 60901 - 933-6536. John and Lucy were married in June of 1946. They have 2 children and 2 grandchildren. Lucy works at General Foods and John is in construction.

Howard Duchene 447 Hilltop, Bradley, Il 60915 - 932-9297. Beverly and Howard were married on 1-17-53. They have one married son. Howard is Service Manager for Home Appliance. Bev works for Dr. Kline.

Doris Englehart R# 5 Box 68 Kankakee, Il 60901. Doris was with the IC Trainmaster until the office closed. The past 10 years she was with Transeas Travel Agency. Now she manages the new Bourbonnais Travel Center. Congradulations. Doris.

Rita Mae Hays McCleary 312 N. Michigan Bradley, Il 60915 - 933-3933. Rita and Hal were married 5-10-43. They have a daughter Kathy and a son Kevin. Also one grandchild. Rita is secretary at Bradley East Elementary School. Hal is with Ropers.

AnnAlhstrom Stowe R# 8 Box 461 Lockport, Il 60441. She and Shirley were married - 11-22-42. They have 5 sons and 1 grandchildren. Ann works in Chicago for Jewish Embassy and Shirley in construction.



September 13th - Time is getting short.

2 Lillian Sneigoski Hopper R# 1 Kankakee, Il 60901 - 933-4938. When Lillian married Emmerly she inhearted 2 daughters. They gave them 6 grandchildren and one great-great- grandchild. Lillian works at Imperial Learning.

Would you believe that the next file card I planned to type was from Modonna, when the telephone rang and it was her. Calling from San Diego saying that she was comming to the reunion. This is her first. (See why below.)

3 Modonna Bleau 8450 Scarf Place, San Diego, Ca 92119 - 714-464-0526. John and she were married 6-6-46. They just celebrated their 35th anniv. They have 3 children, Mike, Terry and Cecilia. There are 5 grandchildren. Modonna says that she isn't any taller but just a little bit wider. We shell see. They have lived in Illinois, No. Car., Washington, California and over-seas in Italy, Germany and Trieste. Now do you see why she has never been to a reunion before.

3 Loretta Bass Sweeney 4503 W. 66th St. Des Moines, Iowa 50322. She and Howard have been married since Nov. of 1945. They have 3 daughters. Two are married (no grandchildfen yet), One daughter is still at home. Loretta is a nurse and her husband is an Accountant.

2 Adeline Wasetis Toca 15425 Golden West Apt # 37A Huntington Beach, Ca 92647 A Widow Adeline works at a school in Huntington in the printing room. She had two boys.

2 Richard Thompson <sup>14221 South Bluff Rd.</sup> Rockton, Il 61072. Dick and Janice were married in 1954. They have a boy Scott and girl Ann Elizabeth. Dick works for Beloit Corp. since 1955. A machinery installing company. Maint. Forman 26 yrs.

2 Edward Kiedzorck 295 S. Washington Ave. Bradley, Il 60915 - 932-9575. Ed and Leota were married 9-21-40. They have 2 children and one grandchild. Ed works at Ropers.

2 James Kolwelter R #1 Bourbonnais Il 60914 - 932-2862. Jim and Isabelle were married 6-17-50. They have 2 children and 3 grandchildren. Jim is also with Ropers.

Thelda Mulligan-Tangiers, Morocco. Thelda has lived in Morocco for over 8 years now. She was at home in May of 1978. We had a get-to-gether in her honor. To date I haven't heard from her. Although she has sent cards to different one of us over the years.

Last but not the least I have saved space for our own "Foo", Hearing that he wasn't feeling too well, and knowing that he had a deep desire to see all of his friends. I still had hopes that he would be able to attend the reunion. Last night 9-13-81 he called Johnnie and said he would attend if at all possible.

Virgil Marlaire 4980 N. Marine Dr. #137 Chicago, Il 60640. 312-784-7922. Foo has worked for the Bell Telephone Co. and Ropers. His job in Chicago I do not know.



The James Laffey's live at 723 S. Wildwood, Kankakee, Il 60901 - 932-4549  
Our Coach and class sponcer. Pete is retired from Bradley Roper. He has  
not been feeling to well the last couple of years. But is looking for-  
ward to being at the reunion if at all possible.

The Ruel Halls live at 1051 S. Nelson ave, Kankakee, Il 60901 - 932-2434  
I think the Halls have attended every one of the reunions. As principal  
of dear old BBCHS he can relate many a story about all of us. Both good  
and bad. The Hall's have 2 children and grandchildren.(At last count).

ABOUT THE PROGRAM: We will be using the Ruby color for out decorations.  
This is the color for 40 years. Our class flower was the red rose - the  
American Beauty. This was our 10th reunion. Our motto was "Face the  
Future With A Smile". It was our Junior Prom that had as our theme -  
"Hitch Your Wagon to a Star".

We will give prizes for the following;

First Reservation - Class of 1941 -  
- Class of 1937 -

Traveled Farthest - OPAL

Longest Married -

Most Children - OPAL LAMBERT

Most Grandchildren-

Fellow with least <sup>hair</sup> - VIRGIL MAILLAIRE

Lady most preserved- OPAL

Classmate who has made the biggest change -

Guess the number of children produced by the class of 1941? - "74"

"AMBASSADOR OF GOOD WILL" - person who travels & keeps in touch the most.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS; Nomonating committee was; Connie Molian, John Casino  
and Howard Duchene.

They presented the following for officers;

President; Willie Ponikvar  
Vic. Pres; Mark Larimer  
Sect-Treas; Doris Dixon

We would like to thank all who helped make this reunion a success; and  
especially to Connie for running off all these sheets that make up this  
news letter. Don't forget if there is a change in your family, drop me  
a line and let me know.

Your friend,

Doris Dixon.

*Doris Dixon*



Allen, Mary - Pray  
 742 Webster Cir.  
 Kankakee, Il 60901  
 932-1886  
 Mary - Rail Road  
 Melvin - Sales Mgr. Amberg  
 Children - 1 daughter

Fitzgerald, Thompson  
 387 So Evergreen Ave  
 Kankakee, Il 60901  
 939-9089  
 Tom - Paint Contractor  
 Violet - Sales Aldens  
 Children - 2 Daughters - 4 G.C.

Amiot, Theresa - St Aubin  
 435 E. Broadway  
 Bradley, Il 60901  
 932-0098 (Theresa-25 yrs. Electro  
 Metal)  
 Armond - Mobil Chemical  
 Children 3 G. Children 4

Freeman, Leona - Boudreau  
 260 So. Cleveland Ave  
 Bradley, Il 60915  
 933-5470 - Leona works at River  
 side in Laundry.  
 Jerome - Ropers Bradley  
 Children - 6 children 18 GC

Bilyard, Doris - Rice  
 950 W. Perry St.  
 Bradley, Il 60915  
 933-7002  
 La Verne -  
 Children - 4 Children 9 GC

Grant, Eugene  
 Manteno Twp  
 Manteno, Il 60950  
 468-8773  
 Will be spending his vacation  
 with his family in Maryland

Bradecich, Eli - Sonnie  
 Philadelphia, Penn  
 Eli -  
 Wife -  
 Children - 2

Hack, Leonard  
 R #2 27 Berry Lane  
 Bourbonnais, Il 60914  
 939-4410  
 Len -  
 Wife -  
 Family

Brouillette, Ann - Hopper  
 2425 Woodroff Lane  
 Arcadia, Ca. 91006 - 213-447-1835  
 Ann - Sells Real Estate  
 Cleo - Electronic  
 Children - 5 children 8 GC

Harrington, Opal - Wheeler  
 R #2  
 Koshkorong, Mo 65692  
 Opal - Widow - (Cook)  
 Children 5 daughters - 9 GC

Burr, Wilma - Nolte  
 253 N. Fulton Ave  
 Bradley, Il 60915  
 932-0091  
 Frank - Ropers  
 Children - 1 Daughter 1 G. Doug

Heisler, Genevieve - Cuzick  
 R #1 Box 256  
 Channahon, Il 60410  
 815-467-5839  
 Gen - Widow

Howlette, Leafa - Green  
 171 No. Fulton Ave  
 Bradley, Il 60915  
 933-6804  
 Peggy - House wife  
 Thomas - Crown Cork & Seal  
 Children - 1 Daughter, 1 G.D.

Casino, Fannie - (Francis Lormand)  
 183 So Washington Ave  
 Bradley, Il 60915  
 933-4085  
 Fran - lives with her father  
 Children - 1 daughter - 1 GC

Demarrah, Beatrice - Schlaeger  
 4504 Staffordshire Dr.  
 Wilmington N. Car 28403  
 Bea -  
 Herman - Internal Revenue Retired  
 Children - 4 daughters - 5 Grandchildren

La Gesse, Doreen - Cote  
 2950 Glenoak Ave Lot 151  
 Clearwater, Fl 33515  
 Arnold -  
 Children



La Gesse, Ronald  
548 Drummond  
Bourbonnais, Il 60914  
932-2108  
\* Ronnie - Roper Mfg  
Betty - Married 35 years  
Children-3 boys-2 girls-4 GC  
and 1 dog

Lambert, Orell  
R #2 Box 468  
Bourbonnais, Il 60914  
932-5985  
\* Orell - Farming  
Wife - Mary - Married 12-2-44  
Children - 6 Boys 7 girls  
2 Grandchildren

Le Duke, Jeanette - Schultz  
R #2 Box 524  
Bourbonnais, Il 60914  
933-8987  
Husband - Bill (1946)  
Children- 3 girls 2 boys 8 GC

Martin, Paul  
417 E. Broadway  
Bradley, Il 60915  
933-1555  
Wife - Eunice  
Has a Barber Shop  
Not interested in attending

Meyers, Marion - Burson  
R #7 Box 167  
Kankakee, Il 60901  
932-0946  
\* Marion - Cashier for city of KKK  
Blaine - Meat cutter A & P  
Children - 2 Grandchildren - 4

Milazewski, Wanda, - Zaucha  
383 So Prairie Ave  
Bradley, Il 60915  
933-8361 (Married 9-24-36)  
Casimir - Supyr Roper KKK  
Children Early retirement  
1 daughter 1 g. Son

Menard, Bernard  
417 Beaudoin  
Bourbonnais, Il 60914  
932-3280  
Wife - Shirley  
Has a disability - can't attend

Nicklas, Joe Wife Cathern  
R #1 Bonfield, Il 60913  
Joe - 33 years - Mobil Chemical  
Children - 6

Outsen, Dorothy - Smith  
1012 Plum Hollow Ct  
\* Naperville, Il 60540  
Alan - Advertising  
Children - 6

Patnaude, Alberta - Savarino  
399 No Adams  
\* Kankakee, Il 60901  
932-5636  
Widow of James  
Children - 3 sons - 2 daugh  
4 GC

Potrzebski, Ted wife Angeline  
212 N Quincy Ave  
Bradley, Il 60915  
933-2462  
Ted - Night Supt Roper  
Children

Ritchey, Barbara Coleman (Widow)  
354 McKinley, Kankakee Il  
2 Children 6 GC, 1 GG GC

Senesac, Lionel wife Maxine  
1132 No Diamond  
So Bend, Ind 46628  
Lionel - Sales  
Children - 5 and 1 Grandchild

Stefanich, Bernadette, - Kresovich  
4811 So La Crosse Ave  
Chicago, Il 60638  
Marko - 45 Years on Burling-  
Married - 2-8-55 RR-retir  
Children-3 - 2 Grandchildren

Tibbie, Mae - Taylor (Supv O.B.  
7858 Delmar Ave Ingalls Mem)  
Hommond, Ind 46324  
219-845-3639  
Donald - Married 36 years  
Children - Son & Daughter  
1 G. Child

Trudeau, Melody - Mc Coy  
\* 489 Old Oak Apt #6  
Bourbonnais, Il 60914  
933-9884  
Melody - Office Boorum & Pease  
Children - 2 daughters 4 GC

Walters, Harold wife Dorothy  
159 N Michigan  
Bradley, Il 60915  
933-1938  
Harold - Early retirement  
Children - 4 and 3 GC

Stuckey, Mary - Taylor \* Clarence  
1006 Rose St - Piedmont Ca  
Doctor Cancer Rec.  
Children 3 Girls - 3 GC