

The Bullitschek Bulletin

A newsletter for the Bolejack, Bolerjack families, and all descendants of Joseph Ferdinand Bullitschek, a Moravian immigrant, born in 1729 in Bohemia, who came to America in 1754 and lived in Pennsylvania and North Carolina.

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REUNION 2002 June 20th - 23rd in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Check in time at the Courtyard by Marriott hotel was 3 P.M. Thursday. The early arrivals gathered in the hospitality room, visited and welcomed each new arrival. At 5:30 we headed for the Santa Fe Steak House where we enjoyed a delicious meal. Following dinner, we returned to the hotel and gathered in the hospitality room at 7:00 to visit and catch up on the latest news. Everyone introduced himself and briefly stated where they fit in the family tree and what had happened the past year. During the evening the question was asked, "How many pastors and how many teachers are present." A show of hands revealed 7 pastors and 17 teachers present. WOW, what a family!

Friday morning we gathered in the hospitality room to begin the wonderful entertainment our coordinators, Ruble and Myrna Garner had arranged for us. We began with a trolley tour of the downtown area and historical sites of Oklahoma City. This was followed by a lunch in Bricktown at Zio's on the balcony next to the canal. The weather was warm, and the food was good, as was the service. The waiters did a fine job of taking care of such a large group all at once.

Following lunch we walked to the nearest trolley stop to continue touring. Most opted to visit the Murrah Memorial and Museum, the site of the tragic bombing, where 169 people lost their lives. While others decided to visit the Crystal Bridge Tropical Conservatory or return to the hotel to rest or go shopping.

We gathered once again in the evening to go to dinner and returned to the hospitality room at 7 P.M. for Arline Bolerjack's famous "hat" story and the annual auction to raise money for the cemetery in North Carolina where Joseph Bullitschek is buried. Bob Emmel graciously agreed to be the auctioneer and did a fantastic job. We raised \$200.00 to help defray the expenses of moving and upkeep of the cemetery. Thanks to all who brought things for the auction and those who purchased the "treasures & white elephants." A laughing, teasing good time was had by all.

Saturday morning we met for breakfast and our annual business meeting at the hotel.

Marilyn Blackburn welcomed all and acknowledged the first time attendee R. T. Bolerjack, Pat Bolerjack, Alex Bolerjack, and Sara Estell of Oklahoma City. The other first time attendees were Cynthia & Randall Palmer, Susan & John Lawson and Mark & Betty Bolerjack also of Oklahoma City. Forty-Four were officially registered at the reunion with a total attendance of 53. In addition Oklahoma City residents Steve, Tricia, and Mariah Garner and Troy & Laura Estell attended various activities. The states represented were Oklahoma, Kansas, Oregon, New York, Kentucky, New Jersey, Indiana and Texas.

The minutes of the last reunion held in Lititz, Pennsylvania were read and approved. A discussion was held as to where next year's reunion should be held and a motion was entered to select Winston-Salem for the third weekend in June 2003, Thursday June 19th – Sunday 22nd, 2003. The motion carried.

We remembered those who had gone on. Evan Bolerjack of North Carolina was acknowledged and Marilyn Blackburn read his obituary. Evan was instrumental in establishing the Association and organizing the first reunion. Reba Wright from Oklahoma was also remembered. Reba was the organizer of the first reunion in 1983 and the first president of the Family Association. Janice Estell, her Daughter, recalled the life of her

mother. Reba was the 3rd of 7 children. Her father died young and they moved constantly, resulting in erratic schooling. But, they were always a loving, Christian family. Daughter Barbara Jones referred to her mother as a "legend." Juanita Baker recalled that after having met Reba at a Nazarene church convention, Reba invited her to her mother's 90th birthday in Bristol, Oklahoma. Reba then suggested that the family hold a yearly reunion and published in 1984 the first Bullitscheck Family Bulletin.

Barbara Frazier gave personal remarks of September 11 in New York City and related the personal heroism of friends and acquaintances and losses of friends.

Everyone gave a big thanks to Myrna & Ruble Garner for hosting and coordinating this year's reunion. They did a great job! They asked to be relieved of the duty to publish the newsletter as they had done it for 7 years but they would continue if no one else volunteered to do it. They were elected to continue as no one else volunteered during the meeting. Election of officers was held and is published at the end of the newsletter. {After the meeting Gerald & Susan Bolerjack Volunteered to relieve the Garners as editors of the news letter. Please send them any information you would like to be published in the next newsletter such as births, deaths, stories/reminisces and milestones.}

Arline Bolerjack of Joseph and Charlotte Bullitscheck, the source of this wonderful family gave a remembrance. A benediction was read at the close of the business meeting. We sang "Faith of Our Mothers" & "Faith of Our Fathers" as we always do and the meeting was adjourned. Saturday afternoon was free to do what ever we chose.

Saturday Evening 23 went to the Stockman's Steak House located in the stockyards and had a wonderful time.

Sunday morning church service was available at The Crossing Church for those who wished to attend. The pastor acknowledged the family during the service and stated that a Bolerjack helped in founding of the church.

Dear Bullitscheck Cousins:

We are filled with gratitude for the wonderful reunion we enjoyed in Oklahoma City. If you weren't able to attend, you missed a lot of fun and laughter, great sight seeing and food. Thanks to the efforts of Myrna and Ruble Garner the 2002 reunion was a success.

I am grateful to serve another year as president of our wonderful family association. Only through the efforts of many cousins is this organization able to function effectively. All the officers and members want to thank the Garners for serving as newsletter editors for the past seven years. They did a superb job and we all owe them a debt of gratitude. We are happy that Gerald and Susan Bolerjack are willing taken over this responsibility. We hope you will supply them with family information for inclusion in the January newsletter.

We are excited about next year and know you will not want to miss our annual reunion, which will be held in Winston-Salem North Carolina.

Again, it is such a privilege to be a part of the Bullitscheck clan and to count each one of you as cousins.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Bolerjack Blackburn

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2003 REUNION

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Thursday June 19 – Sunday June

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Coordinators:

Smith & Wanda Bolejack

Ruby Boyles

2002 REGISTERED ATTENDEES

Barbara Frazier, New York, NY
 Marilyn Blackburn, Haddonfield, NJ
 Janice & Troy Estell, Mustang, OK
 Laura Estell,
 Sarah Estell
 Areline Bolerjack, Blackwell, OK
 Myrna & Ruble Garner, Oklahoma City, OK
 Cynthia & Randall Palmer
 Steve & Tricia Garner, Oklahoma City OK
 Mariah Garner
 Jeffery Boyland, Oklahoma City, OK
 Bryce Boyland
 Taryn Boyland
 Francis & Virginia Bolerjack, Okla. City, OK
 Alex Boler jack, their grandson

Geneva Bolerjack, Bethany, OK
 Naomi & Bob Emmel, Oklahoma City, OK
 R. T. & Patricia Bolerjack, Oklahoma City, OK
 Susan Lawson, Oklahoma City, Ok
 Angela Lawson
 Mark & Betty Bolerjack, Oklahoma City, OK
 Juanita Baker, Duncanville, TX
 Mary McDaniel, Zionsville, IN
 Naoma Casto, Oklahoma City, OK
 Gerald & Susan Bolerjack, Broken Arrow, OK
 Lula & Bill Walker, Beaverton, OR
 Virginia & Joe Logan, Lexington, KY
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