

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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2007 Reunion Knoxville, TN June 21-23

Residence Inn by Marriott Knoxville Cedar Bluff has 78 spacious guest suites with fully-equipped kitchens & free breakfast buffet served daily. This hotel is nonsmoking. High-speed internet is available. It is located at: 215 Langley Place at North Peters Road, Knoxville, Tennessee 37922. Phone: 1-865-539-5339, Fax: 1-865-539-0030. Email:

www.marriott.com/TYSRI

Cedar Bluff is located approximately 11 miles southwest of downtown Knoxville and 15 miles from McGhee-Tyson Airport.

Room rate is \$99.00 plus tax. When registering let them know you are with the **Bonnie Bolejack Group, code BBJR/Reunion**. 25 rooms have been blocked out for our reunion, dates: Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Last date to register before rooms are released is May 31.

Dear Cousins Everywhere,

I'm so excited to be hosting our family reunion next month! It will be great having you meet my immediate family and showing you a bit of East Tennessee. More importantly, I have tried to build in lots of time to spend together—time to catch up on our lives and to get to know each other better.

I extend a special invitation to those of you who haven't ever come to a reunion or who have missed coming lately. My sister, Nancy Wiman, and I attended our first reunion year before last at Branson, Missouri. I can tell you it was like coming home! Our father Edgar Bolejack had three brothers and three sisters. Out of that large family, there were no male children; so, the Bolejack family name will end with me—that's why I kept my maiden name when I married Alan Griswold. It's so reassuring to know that there are family members who will be annually celebrating all that has made our larger family great.

I would love to have some of you with younger children come to Knoxville for the reunion. The area is a vacation Mecca with lots of natural beauty and attractions—not the least being Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Knoxville has a wonderful zoo, art museum, the Women's' Basketball Hall of Fame, a Cubs minor league team and much, much more. I will have tourist information available when you get here. We are ending the reunion late afternoon Saturday in scenic Cades Cove in the Smokey Mountains National Park. This way your family may make vacation plans to continue your good time in Tennessee. We have also scheduled a visit to historic Oak Ridge, Tennessee which is fifteen minutes

from my home. While there, we are visiting the Museum of Science and Energy and ending at the International Friendship Bell. We will be remembering our current and past family members who have served in the armed forces. If you are unable to attend the reunion and would like to have us include your loved ones in this tribute, you may email me at bcbolejack@aol.com with the word "Veteran" in the subject line. Please let us know the name, branch of service, and any other information you would like to share about this family member.

If you play a musical instrument (that's portable!), bring it with you. That means you, Roger! Friday night we'll be at home for dinner, and maybe we can make a little music together! My home is handicapped accessible and hopefully, I'll have some fresh vegetables to share with you from the garden!

I look forward to seeing you in June—"Lord willing, and the creek don't rise!"—as we Appalachian Bolejacks like to say! Until then, *peace be with you....*

Bonnie Bolejack

Send any items you wish to be included in the "Bullitschek Bulletin" to:
Gerald & Susan Bolerjack
Phone: 918-258-1275
Fax: 918-258-5025

We're looking for news items such as Births, Weddings, Deaths and Accomplishments!

I'm looking for someone with Web Site Expertise to help keep the Bullitschek.com web site updated. (Of course with donated time!) If you are interested please contact me to see if we can make the arrangements needed. Currently I have to pay a young man that goes to our church to do it. Check out our web site at <http://www.bullitschek.com/> for more information about the reunion.

If you sent us information that is not included in this newsletter please accept our apology. We had a thunderstorm a couple of weeks ago and it fried our computer. We had saved information on it under the Bullitschek folder. It was wiped out! Please resubmit and we will include it next time. We just got our new computer on May 14.

MARRIAGES

Kari Lynn Bryant and Kevin Ronald Kirsch were united in marriage on July 29, 2006. Kari is the daughter of Virginia Bryant and granddaughter of Wilma Bolerjack Sheperd.
Furnished by Wilma Shepard, 822 Co Rd 365E, Norris City, IL 62869

DEATHS

Addie Lee Dugger Harris, Born July 13, 1908, Died March 06, 2007

She was the daughter of Marion Madison and Amanda Francis Dugger, granddaughter of James Madison and Mary (Pollie) Phips Francis, great granddaughter of Samuel and Sibba Southwood Francis, great great granddaughter of William Francis and Maria Eliza Bullitschek Francis. Addie is the last of the nine children of Marion Madison and Amanda Susan Francis Dugger. Burial is in Resthaven Cemetery in Corbin, Kentucky. She was an aunt to Bob Jones, Virginia Logan, Phyllis Cox, Doris Foster, Jack Davis and many other nieces and nephews.

Submitted by Bob Jones

Betty Lou Boyles Bolejack, Born September 30, 1928, Died May 10, 2007

She was preceded in death by her parents Homer Blake and Myrtle Hall Boyles and her husband Byron S. Bolerjack. She is survived by her daughter, Susan Bolejack Nichols, her sons Smith Bolejack and his wife Wanda, Stephen Bolejack, grandson Spencer Bolejack and his wife Melody, granddaughters Amy Gottholm and Anna Jenson, her sister Joann Holcomb and many friends.

Submitted by Ruby Boyles

(Ruby would love to attend the reunion this year but has no way to get there. She really misses everyone and wants everyone to have a good reunion. You may contact her at 202 Pleasantview Dr., King NC, 27021)

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I would like to recognize someone who has been very faithful to our Bullitschek Family for many many years. This wonderful lady has been the treasurer since the reunion was formed in 1981. She has attended every reunion and has been on the board as the treasurer of the reunion without complaining, always has a smile and is willing to help anyone. Juanita Bolerjack Baker is a real

treasure and needs to be commended for the job she is doing.

Juanita has developed a program to keep the records of payments, addresses and email addresses on her laptop computer. She brings it to the reunion each year and updates information on the spot.

Juanita feels that it is time for her to retire from this duty and let a younger person take over the responsibility. She has not asked me to publish this but I feel it's time for someone to step up and let her have a rest. It would be great for someone who attends the reunion this year volunteer for this important position to be the treasurer.

There are many more people that have put in many hours and have made the reunion what it is today and we do appreciate them also.

Thank you Juanita!!!!

Gerald Bolerjack, Co-editor

TIME TO PAY YOUR 2007 DUES

To pay your 2007 annual dues (\$8.00) & continue to receive the Bullitschek family mailings, clip the following and send your check to Juanita Baker.

If you are attending the reunion and have not paid yet you can pay then.

If you do not want to receive the mailings of the Bulletin send Juanita a card and let her know and your name will be removed from the mailing list.

NAME: _____
Use Bullitschek descendant's name

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Spouse: _____

Email: _____

Make Check to: BULLITSCHEK FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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