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See what's happening with Jeff and Polly's clan. (Reunion pictures from Bev Hatfield; newsletter edited by Trey Wright, Joy Kay Hatfield, and Hord Tipton.)



t will be a first at the 40th Jeff and Polly Hatfield Reunion in 2025. Co-Chairs Kelly and Cory Craig—with their muse Charlotte Craig—will host the Big 40 celebration at the General Butler State Park in Carrollton, Kentucky.

Jenny Wiley State Park officials informed the family in March that they could not accommodate our 2025 Reunion because the Lodge would be filled with victims of spring floods and first responders. Joy Kay Hatfield, with representatives from family branches, worked to find an alternate location on extremely short notice for a group our size. While it will not be Jenny Wiley, General Butler State Park is more accessible to many members of

our family and offers a fresh venue to celebrate our 40th Reunion. We will keep activities the same, but some adjustments will be made based on a new venue. Most important is our time together.

Activities will kick off with a **NEW KIDS THE BLOCK** Welcome Party at the General Butler Pool on Thursday evening at 7:00 PM. Friday is a day to lounge before the **Ferris Bueller's Cornhole Tournament** and **DUNDEE Hillbilly Horseshoes** commence at the Stone Shelter at the Park. The tourney is followed by the always popular Gölden Girls **Picnic** at the Stone Shelter. Please bring your table service, drinks, and any dish to share.

ALF's Auction is how the Hatfield Reunion has funded its activities and taken care of special family projects like contributing to the care of the Anderson Hatfield Memorial Cemetery. The auction offers a wonderful array of items contributed by family members.

Family members will convene after the picnic and auction at the General Butler Mezzanine for THATS WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR CATHERING.

Saturday starts off with an 8:00 AM tee for the for the TOP GUNE Colf Tournament. The venue will be the Sugar Bay Golf Course for our 35th tournament. At 1:00 PM. everyone will enjoy the Games.

on Jeff and Polly's granddaughters, particularly two of the oldest ones: Josephine Anderson and Pauline Morgan. Everyone is invited to the Mezzanine to share your favorite story in this continuation of the preservation of our oral history.

At 6:00 PM the family will gather for Jeff & Polys Celebration at the General Butler Stone Shelter for pizza and family treats. We will have a short business meeting after dinner and before the 40th Party with all the games and activities that are planned to engage the entire family. After the 40th Party we will adjourn to the Mezzanine for the After Party.

The 2025 Reunion T-shirt will be available on Friday night. Information about ordering a T-shirt is on p. 36. **Please order by July 11** by emailing or texting Michelle Hatfield to assure that the shirts can be printed and transported to the Reunion on time.

If there are address or email changes, name changes, or family status changes, please contact Nina Rose Hatfield at haloninal@verizon.net or 703.945.3335. She will update the Jeff and Polly Hatfield family tree and address list.

Jeff & Polly's Seventies Show

he Jeff and Polly Hatfield Family celebrated its 39th Reunion at the Jenny Wiley Lodge with a blast from the past, as Co-Chairs Lisa Rader and Emily Howard transported us back 50 years with Jeff & Polly's Seventies Show.

We gathered on Thursday evening for a JUNK FOOD Junkies get-together starting at the Jenny Wiley Pool and migrating to Dewey's inside the Jenny Wiley Lodge.

On Friday afternoon, Phyllis Blackburn, Teresa Craig, Sharon Blackburn, and Kim Blackburn hosted ted

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Lisa Rader and Emily Howard chaired a funky 2024 Hatfield Reunion

heat, the picnic was held at the Pines Building instead of the Dewey Lake picnic shelter. As always, the homemade goodies contributed by family members made the picnic exceptional.



Reunion

events. Due to the

A Hatfield family clock was donated by Sharon Blackburn for the auction.

For more than 25 years, Jeff and Polly's family has had an auction to pay for family activities, including projects at the Anderson Hatfield Memorial Cemetery. The 2024 was no exception, as family members contributed \$2,900 to the operate the Reunion and

to support the AHMC. Among other treasures were a knitted afghan by Jeanne Hatfield, a stack cake made by Phyllis Blackburn, an array of homegrown hot pepper items by Hord Tipton, and HoHo cake contributed by Sharon Blackburn. (See page 26 for a chart from our Treasurer, Steve Caudill, of funding since 2007.)

After the picnic, family members returned to the Jenny Wiley Lodge for which Lovies and which turned into one of our best Friday



Ethan Blackburn and Maddie Noonan beat Sharon Blackburn and Nina Rose Hatfield at Hillbilly Horseshoes

evenings. Among other games, Jeff Hatfield and Cory Craig hosted the **Happy Days Corn Hole** tournament, won by Tyler Wright and Jack McQueary. In a new innovation, in part driven by the heat, the traditional horseshoe game was replaced with Hillbilly Horseshoes, con-

sisting of throwing bolo balls at a ladder. This very competitive game drew participants of all ages and was won by cousins Ethan Blackburn and Maggie Noonan.

led his team of Evan Kilkenny and Wyatt Hatfield to to a one stroke victory over two teams: (1) Ryan Noonan, Roger Blackburn Sr., and Nina Rose Hatfield and (2) Roger Blackburn Jr., Jacob Young, and Sarah Young. A positive was five Hatfield women played in the event, which is a recent record.



Tyler Wright and Jack Mc-Queary celebrate their Cornhole victory

Cory Craig won the longest drive for the men and Nina Rose Hatfield won the women's longest drive. Cory also won the closest tee shot to the pin.



Front (L-R) Nina Rose Hatfield, Roger Blackburn Jr., Jeff Hatfield, Roger Blackburn Sr., Tyler Wright, Wyatt Davis, Eliza Craig, Stacy, Sarah Young, Jackie Hatfield; Back (L-R) Jack McQueary, Trey Wright, Ryan Noonan, Evan Kilkinny, Jacob Young, Kelly Craig, Cory Craig, Tom Hatfield

On Saturday afternoon, Charlotte Craig and Brittany Blackburn lead teams, which

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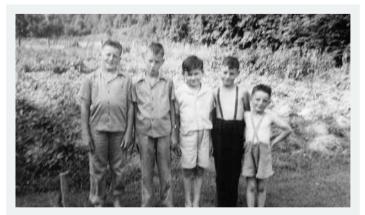
Wyatt Hatfield and Brooke Hatfield don their '70s clothes to swim in the pool games.

included both younger members of the family and adults in the **The**

Games. In one game the teams were in a relay in which they had to deliver '70s style clothing as an errand.

In the always exciting **ALL IN THE FAMILY HISTORY HOUR**, we continued creating an oral history of Jeff and Polly's family. We focused on Jeff and Polly's oldest

tier of grandsons: Arnold Norman, Paul Morris, Ted Hatfield, Bill Morris, TJ Hatfield, Robert Hatfield, Don Hatfield, and Lowell D. Hatfield.



(L-R) Arnold Norman, Paul Morris, Ted Hatfield, Bill Morris, and TJ Hatfield



(L-R) Bruce, Robert, Quentin, Lyle, Don, Lowell D, and Leslie Hatfield, sons of Robert and Virginia Hatfield

They all followed the pattern of *Jeff and Polly's Migration Generation* (https://www.jeffand-pollyhatfieldfamily.com/post/jeff-and-polly-s-migration-generation). They were educated in Kentucky, but left Pike County to seek jobs in other loca-



Tyler Wright, Evan Kilkinny, and Wyatt Hatfield took home the trophy for the 2024 Golf Tournament

tions: Arnold moved West Virginia; Paul, Ted, and Robert relocated to more populated areas of Kentucky; Bill and TJ joined a Hatfield enclave around Columbus, Ohio; Don moved outside of Baltimore, Maryland; and Lowell D. migrated to Indianapolis.

Saturday evening's **SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER** activities at the Jenny Wiley Lodge, starting with the **Be Trans on Be Square Diagon,** followed by a **JIVE TALKIN**' business meeting and awards. Among the items discussed were:



Anderson Hatfield Memorical Cemetery entry sign

- The need to replace the sign Steve Hatfield and JB Bowe put at the entrance of the Anderson Hatfield Memorial Cemetery (AHMC). Joe and Chris Bowe plan to replace the sign.
- Nina Rose Hatfield will update the AHMC inventory made by Jeff and Polly's family that is on Jeff and Polly's family website.
- There was a discussion about putting some short videos on the website--both the public facing and in the Family Arena--with targeted content for a "Hatfield History Channel." For example,

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LeEttie Hatfield Norman explaining how Jeff and Polly chose some of their children's names could go on the public side of the website, while some of the many stories that are captured in the history session about family members would go in the password protected area. In both cases, members from that branch of the family would be consulted before the videos were uploaded. The family agreed this is a way of sharing family stories more quickly than a long-form movie format.

- The family discussed the need for a continuity plan for tasks related to the family and the Reunion. Janet Bowe and Nina Rose Hatfield agreed to Co-Chair a discussion.
- · Kelly and Cory Craig agreed to co-chair the



Joy Kay Hatfield attended the **HISTORY HOUR** and other Reunion activities remotely 8 months after her liver transplant.

agreed to co-chair the 2025 Hatfield Reunion-only if Charlotte Craig agreed to heavy lifting!

After JIVE TALKIN' the family engaged in the fun of several '70s games and capers in a **Slammin' Party!** In addition to Family Feud, everyone played the ever-popular games of Twister, Jacks, Ping Pong, Ring Toss, and Hula Hoop. Added to team scores from the horseshoes, corn hole, and golf, The Jeffersons

beat the other teams to be the Jeff & Polly's Seventies Show champions.



(L-R) The Jeffersons team of Jeff Hatfield, Cory Craig, Maggie Blackburn, Roger Blackburn Jr., Michelle Hatfield, Steve Caudill, Esther Benitez, and Wyatt Hatfield, beat The Waltons, All in the Family, and Happy Days in games through the weekend.



(L-R) Paris and Phyllis Blackburn, Janet Bowe, Hord Tipton, Nina Rose Hatfield, Bev Hatfield, and Jeanne Hatfield represent Jeff and Polly's grandchildren at the family picnic.



Roger Blackburn Sr., in the hat and the oldest kid in the room, scrambles with the youngsters for candy after Eliza Craig broke the piñata.



(L-R around table) Maggie Blackburn, newly graduated from the University of Kentucky, enjoys the picnic with Kayce and Jason Mays, and Evan Kilkinney.



The Guy and Lilly Hatfield Family













Janet Bowe, Marlene Adams, Nina Rose Hatfield, Bentley Adams, Jeanne Hatfield, Bev Hatfield at the oral history session





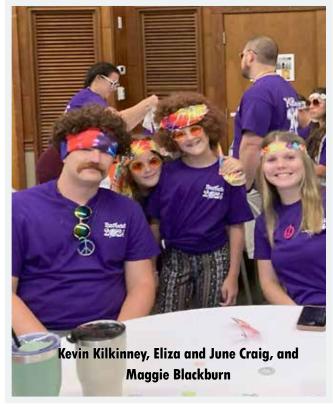












Clan Chatter

A Cousin and Her Appalachian Dulcimer

Carol Leigh Hatfield received a mountain dulcimer a handful of years ago from her father, Lowell D. Hatfield. That particular dulcimer was made by Elmo Allen of Prestonsburg, Kentucky. Although Carol does not know the story behind its purchase by Lowell D., she did enjoy playing it for a while, but then put it away as she moved to other music projects—first a classic rock duo, then a trio, called Encomium Ensemble, with which she plays a bass continuo. The Ensemble performs early music, so many of the pieces they play are melodies recognized now as popular old hymns.

Two years ago a friend named Greg passed away, and Carol obtained a stunning mountain dulcimer made by Kurt Simerman of Kentucky. The dulcimer, one of only 800 made, absolutely called to Carol—it jumped into her hands and she hasn't stopped playing it since! This special dulcimer started her on her mountain dulcimer path, for which she is very thankful.

The Appalachian dulcimer, or mountain dulcimer, originated in the mountains as a distinct descendant of early string instruments, but it appeared in the Appalachian mountains in the early 19th century. It



Carol Leigh Hatfield and her Kurt Simmerman mountain dulcimer (photograph by Larry Gindhart)

was unique from earlier instruments in other countries. It is speculated that the dulcimer is simpler than some

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Passages

Leslie Darnell Hatfield

Leslie Darnell Hatfield, one of seven sons of Virginia Frances Ratliff and Robert Ward Hatfield, passed away on February 21, 2025, at 80. Leslie was born February 24, 1944, at McCarr, Kentucky.

Leslie wore several hats in his lifetime, the first



Leslie Darnell Hatfield

of which was being a wonderful father, grandfather, husband, and brother. His path began in the Vietnam War where he earned the Bronze Star. He went on to excel in many other positions but found his most rewarding job was caring for his grandson, Caleb. Leslie dedicated the last 13 years of his life as the sole caretaker of his special boy, Caleb.

Leslie was a devout member of the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church in Ransom, Kentucky, where he was their clerk for over 20 years and a deacon. He was instrumental in helping to preserve Hatfield family history by providing information about that church, so integral to our ancestors.

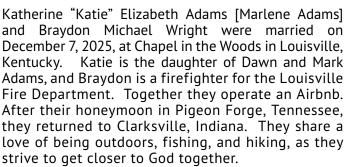
Leslie is survived by his children, Jason (Crystal) Hatfield and Anthony (Dencie) Hatfield; three stepchildren, Rhonda Epling Voorheese (James Roehrick), Ronnie (Gypsy) McClanahan and Johnathan (Melanie) McClanahan; 13 grandchildren; two brothers, Bruce (Linda) Hatfield and Quentin (Lynn) Hatfield; and a slew of loving nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Robert (Gracie and Patsy) Hatfield, Donald (Mary) Hatfield, Lowell D. Hatfield, Douglas Carlyle (Linda) Hatfield and his loving wife, Glenna (Gooslin) Hatfield.

Leslie was soft-spoken, like his father, and he exuded warmth, intelligence, and devotion to family and God. He is missed.









Abbey Michelle Bowe [Janet Bowe] married Kevin Michael Hupp on June 21, 2025, at Spindletop Hall in Lexington, Kentucky. After their wedding, they honeymooned in Hawaii. Abbey, an associate with the McDermott Will & Emery law practice in Washington, DC, is the daughter of Chris and Michelle Bowe. Kevin runs his own media marketing business in the District of Columbia area. They live in Alexandria, Virginia.

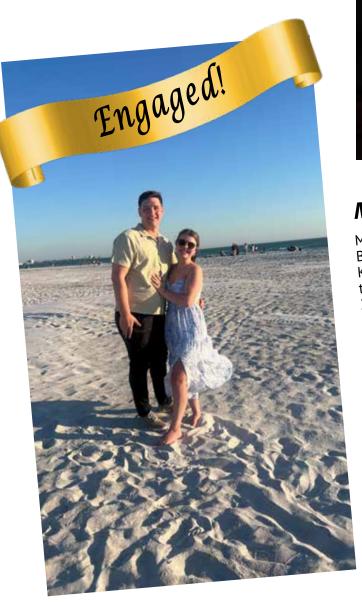


George Thomas Hatfield [Steve Hatfield] and Husna Kahn were married February 8, 2025, in Covington Kentucky. They met in August of 2020 in Virginia where Husna was born and raised. They now live in Clarksville, Tennessee, outside of Fort Campbell, where George is stationed. Husna works as a registered nurse and pharmacy technician. George is a drone pilot with the Army's 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment. George is the third generation of his family to serve in the Army following his grandfather Steve and his father Stuart.

Guy Thomas Hatfield [TJ Hatfield] married Erin Samantha Williams on October 18, 2024, at the Beverly Mansion in Marengo, Ohio. Guy, the son of Tom and Jackie Hatfield, met Erin while they were at the Big Walnut High School in Sunbury, Ohio. Guy and Erin honeymooned in Portland, Maine. They have now been together for over 10 years. Guy is a firefighter/EMT in the BSTG Fire District in Sunbury, Ohio. Erin, who studied at the Mount Carmel College of Nursing, is an RN Staff Nurse at Ohio Health. Guy and Erin are living in Sunbury, Ohio.



Samuel Houston Howard [Ted Hatfield] married Kaitlyn "Kait" Danielle Thacker on October 20, 2024, at the Elliottville Baptist Church in Elliottville, Kentucky. Samuel, the son of Barbara and Rodney Howard, and Kait live in Sandy Hook, Kentucky. They are the parents of Eva Mae Howard, Lane Axton Howard, and Ellison "Ellie" KayAnn Howard. Kait is a licensed practical nurse (LPN) at Ridgeway Nursing and Rehabilitation in Owingsville, Kentucky. Samuel is with Kiewit Power Construction.



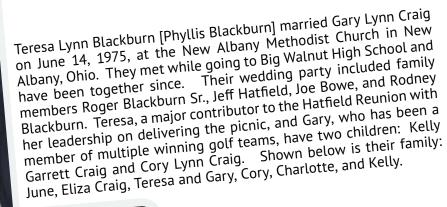


Maggie and Evan

[Phyllis Blackburn "Maggie" Lillian Blackburn] is engaged to marry Evan Charles They met while both were attending the University of Kentucky. Maggie graduated in Kilkinney. 2024 with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and Evan graduated in December with a degree in Respiratory Therapy. They became engaged on a Sarasota beach while vacationing there in March. Planning is underway for a September 2026 wedding. Maggie is working at The Ohio State University as a nurse in their Neo-Natal Intensive Care Unit in Columbus, Ohio, while Evan plans to work in Central Ohio. Maggie is the daughter of Rodney and Kim Blackburn.

Evan has already made his mark on the Hatfield Reunion. He has been on the winning golf team for the last two years (see p. 4).









for the record

Jordan Alexandra Organ Bowe [Janet Bowe] finished her internship with the Florida State Hospital in Tallahassee, Florida, and her postdoctoral residency at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston (MUSC), which completes her doctorate of clinical psychology. Jordan has accepted a full time position at MUSC, so she and husband Adam Bowe will be staying in Charleston for the near future. Adam remains a co-founder and the CEO of Cake, a marketplace for independent insurance agents, which has continued to grow under his leadership.





Riley Weston Adams [Marlene Adams] graduated from Boyce College at the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, on May 8, 2025. Riley, the son of Mark and Dawn Adams, earned a degree in Biblical Counseling. Riley plans to return to Southern for graduate school to pursue his Masters of Divinity in the spring of 2026. His goal is to provide counseling support to Missionary families.

Casey Elizabeth Coleman [Lyle Hatfield] graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of the Cumberlands in Williamsburg, Kentucky, in 2025. She has degrees in Elementary and Special Education, which should serve her well in her new position as a first grade teacher at Mercer County Elementary School in Harrodsburg, Kentucky. In addition, Casey, who was a basketball player in high school and the University of the Cumberlands, will be the Head Girls Basketball Coach at Mercer County Middle School. She is the daughter of Debbie and Adam Coleman.





Jack Steven Caudill [Janet Bowe] graduated with honors from the University of Kentucky in Lexington, Kentucky. Jack had a double major in Political Science and Anthropology. He has worked for the Kentucky State Senate Minority Caucus, which has allowed Jack to follow his passion for public service—so much so that he has continued to work with them since his graduation. Jack is the son of Steve and Cassie Caudill.

Bennett Grace Caudill [Janet Bowe], the daughter of Cassie and Steve Caudill, graduated with honors from New Albany High School in New Albany, Ohio, in the spring of 2025. Bennett, here with Steve, was a soccer standout all through school. At UK she will study neuroscience on a path toward medical school.

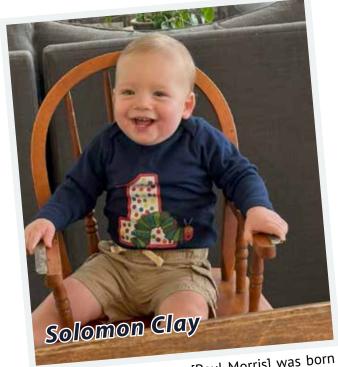




Madeline "Maddie" Rose Noonan [Phyllis Blackburn] graduated in May of 2025 from the Thomas Worthington High School in Worthington, Ohio. Maddie graduated with honors and was a member of the Honor Society and Student Council. She was also a Worthington High School cheerleader. Maddie has chosen to attend the University of Connecticut in Storrs, Connecticut, to pursue a medical career. Maddie is the daughter of Tracy and Ryan Noonan.



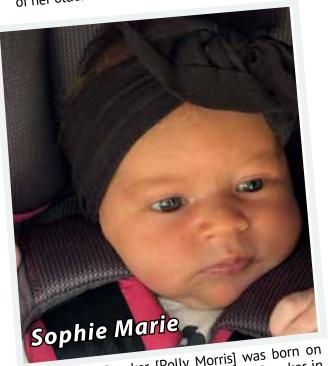
Blakely June Johnson [Marlene Adams] was born May 19, 2025, to Sydnee and Dylan Johnson. She weighed 7 pounds and 12 ounces and was 21 3/4 inches long. Blakely is living in Orleans, Indiana, and is the first grandchild of Suzanne and Bryan Johnson.



Solomon Clay Covington [Paul Morris] was born March 13, 2024, in Danville, Kentucky. Solomon, a Biblical name in the Covington family, is the son of Jacob and Kellsie Covington. He is also the first grandchild of Veronica and Joe Covington.



Langley Tate Bentley [Sheryle Sullivan] was born on October 14, 2024, in North Carolina, to Brianna and Cole Bentley. Tate is named after her great-grandmother, Katherine Langley Hatfield Scott. She has the constant entertainment of her older brother, Beau Maverick.



Sophie Marie Brooker [Polly Morris] was born on April 10, 2025, to Matt and Samantha Brooker in Arkansas. She was 6 pounds and 4 ounces and 18 inches long. She has two older sisters, Adalyn, 5, and Olivia, 2, to keep her out of trouble.



Beckett Brooks Hatfield [TJ Hatfield] was born October 13, 2024, in Dublin, Ohio, and has captivated his parents, Wyatt and Brittany Hatfield. He is full of giggles, bounces, and should be crawling soon. Beckett is moving to a new house in Sunbury, Ohio, this month.



Everett "Rhett" James [Arlene Huff] is the first child of James Clayton "Clay" and Alyssa Spears. Rhett was born on December 3, 2024, to the delight of his grandparents, Anne and Jamie Spears. Rhett, Alyssa, and Clay reside in Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

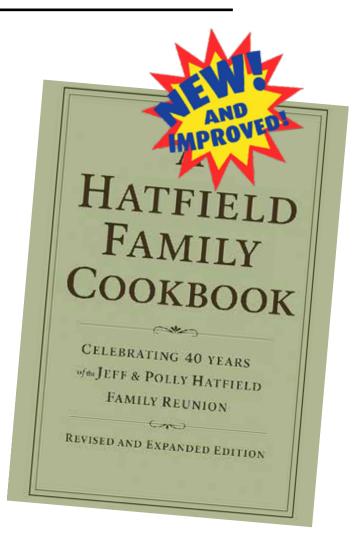
Hatfield Family Cookbook Under Renovation

Mitch and Michelle Hatfield are extending the bridge between today and earlier generations by updating and expanding the Jeff and Polly Hatfield Family Cookbook. The Cookbook will include older recipes and *your* newer recipes.

Please send new and updated recipes to Mitch and Michelle by July 14, 2025, to have it incorporated. In addition to recipe pictures and stories, they want recipes for sections on:

- Appetizers, Starters, Snacks, & Beverages
- Soups, Salads, & Sauces -
- Breads, Rolls, & Pastries -
- Vegetables & Sides -
- Main Dishes & Casseroles -
- Desserts, Pies, Cakes, Cookies, & Candies -

Send materials to mitch@hummelhatfield.com or 859-466-6285. Information to order your cookbook is available on p. 39.





Averi Blackburn [Phyllis Blackburn],

11, has developed into a winning equestrian, following a long line of horse lovers in the Hatfield family. Averi has been riding Hunt Seat with her barn in Johnstown, Ohio, since 2021. She competes on their middle school Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) team and also loves attending shows with her horse Capone. This past fall she was Reserve Champion in equitation in the crossrails (jumping) division and was first place in several trips (pictured above) to the Midwest Indoors show at the World Equestrian Center in Wilmington, Ohio. Averi brought home a 1st and 2nd place ribbon from her November Horse Show and she was the Overall winner for the entire show in her class. Averi is the daughter of Brittany and Roger Blackburn Jr. It is rumored that when her grandfather, Roger Sr., attends Averi's shows, he has to be gagged because you can't clap or cheer or make any noise.





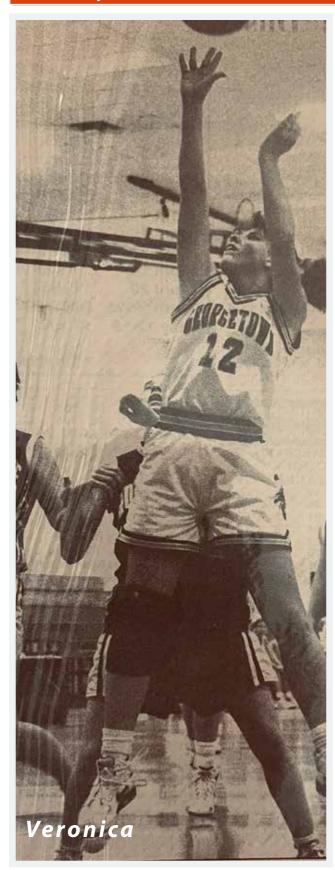


Ava Tschaenn [Phyllis Hatfield Blackburn], 9, continues to be a standout as she plays softball in Sunbury, Ohio, for the Big Walnut Eagles. She lives and breathes softball as she plays on two travel softball teams this summer. Ava's team brought home 2nd place in a tourney to win rings for their efforts. In addition, the opposing teams voted Ava back-to-back MVPs for her play. Ava will be entering the fifth grade at Big Walnut in Sunburn, Ohio, where she will also play.



Tyler and Griffin

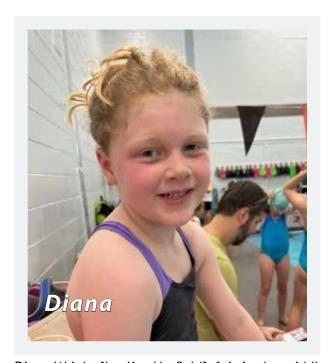
In 1991 Tyler Wright (inset) was the starting third baseman for Cincinnati Country Day when they won the Division IV Ohio State Championship. One of his teammates was Noah Allen. This spring Tyler coached his son Griffin's baseball team, and they ended the season playing against Noah and his son, Micah, since Micah and Griffin are the same age. In addition to baseball, Griffin played soccer, basketball, and more soccer this year. He made Madeira's local select soccer team and will play with that team next fall. He continues to enjoy all things sports—and loves to read and learn about teams and player stats with Tyler. Tyler, in preparation for defending being on the 2024 championship team (see p. 4), golfed The Ocean Course at Kiawah Island where Roy McIlroy won the 2012 PGA and Phil Mickelson won the 2021 PGA.



In a blast from the past, Veronica Covington [Paul Morris] goes up for two points as a member of the Georgetown College Lady Tigers in Georgetown, Kentucky. Veronica was a forward on the team that made it to the Final 8 in Portland, Oregon. Veronica played for the Lady Tigers from 1989-1993.



Ethan Blackburn [Phyllis Blackburn] had an exciting season in both football and basketball this past year at Big Walnut in Sunbury, Ohio. His basketball team—coached by his dad, Roger Blackburn Jr.—made it all the way to the championship game in their division. In football, Ethan split time primarily on the defensive side of the ball, playing both Defensive End and Outside Linebacker, and also saw some action at Tight End on offense. He's been attending summer conditioning and team practices to get ready for his 7th grade season, which kicks off in August. He's pumped to hit the field again!



Diana Wright [Joy Kay Hatfield], 6, is in the middle of her first season as a competitive swimmer. In her first meet, she competed in the back stroke, free style, and free style relay, and was delighted to be awarded three ribbons.



Eliza Craig [Phyllis Blackburn] is warming up for the golf tournament at the 40th Reunion by working on her golf game. Eliza played with her dad, Kelly, in a Dad and Daughter tournament. In addition to golf, Eliza has done very well in school and was inducted into the National Honors Society.



The Tom and Jackie Hatfield family [TJ Hatfield], found an energetic way for family togetherness as they trained and participated in the 2025 Flying Pig Marathon on May 4 in Cincinnati, Ohio. Jacob, Guy, Tommy, and Sarah all finished the race, while Jackie rooted them on. The Hatfields run to honor Sidney Heiden, their daughter and sibling, who fought bravely against brain cancer.



Lisa Rader [Margaret Rader] and Jack McQueary were in for a surprise when they stopped to buy libations in Lexington, Kentucky. They found PGA great John Daly, winner of two PGA majors, waiting to sign an autograph for them. In addition to work and collecting autographs, Lisa and Jack spend time at Dale Hollow fishing and boating.



June Craig [Phyllis Blackburn], 10, played both basketball and soccer this year and her basketball team won their division. June is also in an acting class and celebrated her 10th birthday with a trip to San Francisco.

Corner



Michael Tibbitts [Janet Bowe], here with Kyle, Scout, Chelsea, and Murphy Joy, is the offensive line coach at Southlake Carroll High School. He is coming off a State Championship Runner-Up season and looking to make a push to win the State Championship this season. He also started an adaptive physical education program at school and really enjoys that endeavor.



Three generations of Blackburns [Phyllis Blackburn]—Roger Blackburn Sr., Roger Blackburn Jr. (not pictured), and Ethan Blackburn shared a special moment court-side at Rupp Arena, cheering on the Kentucky Wildcats as they took down Vanderbilt! After the game, they met new head coach Mark Pope, snapped a photo, and got his autograph. A great way to pass down the Big Blue tradition!



Chris [Janet Bowe] and Michelle Bowe's family did a little dance with University of Kentucky's head football coach, Mark Stoops, while in Lexington for Abbey's wedding (see p. 12). (L-R) Chris, Michelle, Adam, Jordan, Mark, Abbey, Asher, Anderson, and Kevin Hupp.

Harper

Poppy Roger's Pond

Cousins Alex Noonan [Phyllis Blackburn] and Gabriel and Grayson Tschaenn have found their grandfather Roger Blackburn Sr.'s pond to be bountiful as they fished. Alex, the son of Tracy and Ryan Noonan, made the honor roll with a 4.0 GPA, in addition to playing basketball and baseball. Gabe and Gray, sons of Katie and Larry Tschaenn, have been running the football field playing flag football in addition to fishing. Gabe's first love is basketball, while Grayson graduated from pre-school.



Nina Rose

Nina Rose Hatfield carded her first hole-in-one at Ardea Country Club in Oldsmar, Florida, on January 10, 2025. It was her first round of the new year and with a brand new 6 iron.

Adding to her excitement was a renewal of her golf sponsorship by her husband, Hord "Tip" Tipton. Needless to say, she was ecstatic.



Harper Vlasik [Quentin Hatfield], the daughter of Tonya and Sergiy Vlasik, had another exciting season this year playing elite hockey with her Glenview Stars team in Germantown, Wisconsin. Her team was the State Runner-Up, and they ended the season 15th in the nation with three tournament wins and one tournament silver. In addition, Harper was selected for an elite hockey team from Madison, the Capitols. She is playing in Finland for 10 days.

SM Candid Camera



Warren Wright [Joy Kay Hatfield], 21 months, already has mastered the "what are you going to do" gesture when explaining to older sister, Eliza, 4, how he got mud all over his face. Warren and Eliza live in Cincinnati, Ohio, close to their JoJo (alias Joy Kay).

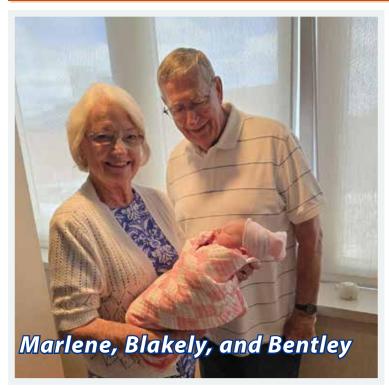
Rowan Tschaenn [Phyllis Blackburn], 2, is preparing for a construction career. Rowan loves to play in the dirt and ride the 4-wheeler and tractor with his grandfather, Roger Blackburn. Rowan is the son of Katie and Larry Tshcaenn.





Kacye Mays [Racine Hamilton] celebrated her 21st birthday on January 21, 2025. She marked the occasion with a trip to Miami Beach, Florida, with her father, Jason. Not

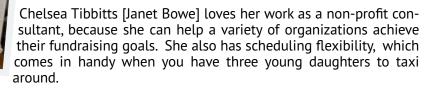
only did she celebrate turning 21, but she had a short vacation from her nursing studies at Heartland Community College in Normal, Illinois.



Marlene and Bentley Adams, here with their newest great-grandchild Blakely (see p. 19), have been extremely busy with family. They have been helping out with their two-year-old twin great-grandsons, Parker and Sawyer. They also worked in a trip to Granger, Indiana, to help Ashley and Ryan Aldridge, with their new home and have been to Arkansas to visit Polly Jane Breeze and her family. They vacationed in Florida in April.

Harry Wright [Joy Kay Hatfield] celebrated rocking the first grade in Madeira, Ohio, with his mother, Kate. His first grade teacher remarked about Harry, "He's a whole vibe!" Harry also enjoyed participating in science club, soccer, and baseball this spring. In August, Harry plans to be rocking the Hatfield Reunion! In addition to chauffeuring Harry and his siblings, Kate is a speech therapist in the Milford School District in Milford, Ohio, an enthusiastic hostess for family gatherings, and an outstanding pillbox filler for Joy Kay.



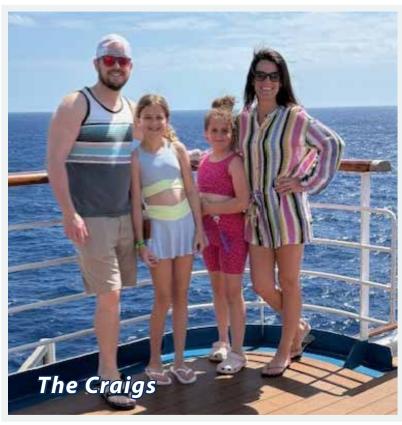


Kyle, 9, is starting the 4th grade and is the definition of a "coaches kid" (see p. 25) with early mornings, countless hours in the field house, and being around football players all the time. She participated in dance this spring and in the fall will start her first year as a Dragon Youth Cheerleader.

Scout Ryan, 5, will start kindergarten in the same school as her big sister, which she is excited about. Scout played tee ball and this fall will be trying her hand at flag football, since she is fearless. She has become guite the swimmer in Joe and Karen Bowe's pool.

Murphy Joy, 2, is changing daily. Her vocabulary continues to grow and she is thriving at daycare with her letters, numbers, and colors! She is enjoying being the lone Tibbitts girl at her daycare and doing cannonballs into the pool with her grandparents, Joe and Karen.





Kelly [Phyllis Blackburn] and Charlotte Craig are busy preparing to lead the 2025 Reunion (see p. 2), but they took some time to take daughters, Eliza and June, to the Bahamas for a little vacation. The Craigs live in North Carolina.



Daphne Anne Wright [Joy Kay Hatfield], 4, is the daughter of Kate and Tyler Wright. It is reported that she is up to her usual business—getting sugars from her Dad (and everything else she wants), while trying to keep up with her two older brothers, Griffin and Harry. When Joy Kay asked Daphne about her occasional behavioral snafus with her mother, Daphne acknowledged that "it's tricky."



Nora Kay Wright, [Joy Kay Hatfield], 5, danced in her first recital in May. Nora, who is in a dance tumbling tapped her way to roses and to celebrate her achieve-In addition to her dance, Nora loves going to the Cincinnati zoo with her siblings, Eliza and Warren. She and Eliza played soccer this spring. Nora is the daughter of Spencer and Ashley Wright.

Brianna [Sheryle Sullivan] and Cole Bentley have their hands full with Beau, 2, and Langley Tate (see p. 19), who is now 8 months old. Cole recently received a promotion to Area Manager for the ICG Division of Pulte Homes, which is one of the largest public home builders in the US. The Bentleys live in Calabash, North Carolina, where Beau and Tate are becoming beach babies, according to their grandmother, Sheryle.

Nora

("A Cousin and Her Mountain Dulcimer)" continued from p. 11) of those instruments because of the lack of more sophisticated tools in early mountain communities.

Carol has other dulcimers in her "stable" now, and she plays them all the time. She practices every day and has writing tunes and songs. She is inspired write many Carol and Lowell D in 1977 things, but the biggest inspira-



tion that started her writing music was the memories of

Bob and Virginia

being at Grandma (Virginia) Hatfield's house on Blackberry Creek in Pike County, Kentucky. These memories very powerful ones of family, the mountains, the creek, the love, and the good times. Carol explained, "Those mountains live in my blood, and the dulcimer, to me, represents them beautifully and gives them a voice.

Carol started posting videos of her tunes and songs on her YouTube page [https://www. youtube.com/@ carolhatfield2900/ videos], and performs them publicly when possible. "The dulcimer has me spellbound, and I will gladly remain in the magic of that spell!"

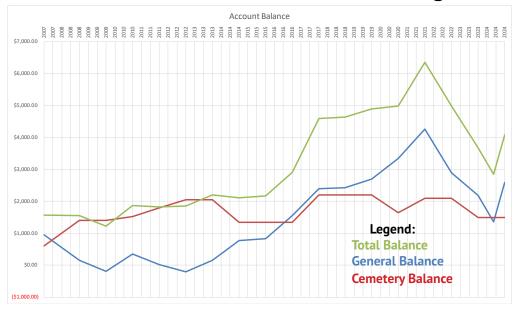


Carol, Lowell D., Virginia, and Tiffany in 1971

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Reunion Funding



Steve Caudill, who has served as the Hatfield Reunion treasurer since 2007, has charted our funding since that time. The Reunion partitioned the money to: (1) fund Reunion ventures like renting space for Reunion activities such as the picnic, purchasing food and drink, and general items; and (2) set aside specific funds for projects related to our family at cemeteries. Those funds have been used for projects voted on by the family like placing benches at the Anderson Hatfield Memorial Cemetery (AHMC) and purchasing a

plaque to commemorate the life of Parmelia Emeriah Lowe Runyon [Polly Margaret Runyon Hatfield's mother], since her grave is only marked by a rock. In addition, the Reunion pays for flowers at the AHMC for Jeff and Polly and their children who do not have families (Earl, Ethel, Anderson and William Jefferson Jr.). All the funding to date has been generated by the annual auction and family member donations.

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Ted and Bonnie

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After eight years in The Villages, Florida, Ted and Bonnie moved to Lexington, Kentucky, at the end of June. Although they enjoyed the golf cart lifestyle of The Villages, they were ready to cart lifestyle of The Villages, they were ready to return to their home state. As Nina Rose Hatrelm of Every land the occafield explained, "They are exchanging the occafield explained, "They are exchanging the snow and sional, gentle winds of Florida for the snow and ice of Lexington, Kentucky." This brings them ice of Lexington, Kentucky." This brings them full circle from meeting in Louisville while Ted had his medical practice there, to Missouri for had his medical practice there, to Kentucky. a number of years, and, now, back to Kentucky. They are looking forward to new friends and catching up with family.

Sheryle (in the red cap) and Bill Sullivan, with the help of their friends, Kinzie and Kim Jackson, manned a water stop for the annual Hatfield McCoy Marathon on June 14. Their stop is a famous stop along the way, since important Hatfield—McCoy Feud events took place right over their shoulders. Anderson "Preacher Anse" and Polly Runyon Hatfield lived where the cabin is in the background, which is also the location of the Hog Trial preceding the Feud.

Both Sheryle and Bill are still working, although Bill is considering the possibility of retirement later this year.





Debbie

Debbie Coleman [Lyle Hatfield] shouts from the rooftops, "I am RETIRING!!" She has spent 33 years of service in public education and retired effective June 30. Over those years, Debbie has served as a high school social studies teacher; a middle school and high school girls basketball coach; an elementary, middle, and high school principal; assistant superintendent; and athletic director. In her next career, Debbie will be moving into educational consulting and working with pre-service teachers. Debbie is retiring as Casey begins her teaching career (see p. 17), which Debbie describes as the cycle of life!

Tom

In 2024, Tom Hatfield [TJ Hatfield] retired from ATT in Columbus, Ohio, after 38 years. He is the last of a long line of Jeff and Polly's descendants to work for ATT in Columbus. Others included Paris Blackburn, TJ and Jeanne Hatfield, JB Bowe, Bill Morris, Joy Kay Hatfield, Jeff Hatfield, and Kim Blackburn. Tom has started a second career with E2 Optics working on a new data center in New Albany, Ohio. Jackie, in the meantime, is the JV golf coach at Big Walnut Middle School in Sunbury, Ohio. Tom and Jackie spent time with Guy and Erin, Jackie, and Brooke Hatfield and Sarah and Jacob Young, during a trip to Sarasota, Florida.





Randy

Randy Morris [Bill Morris] retired in October 2024 after twenty years at Thermo Fisher Scientific, a science and health care provider. Randy worked in Raleigh, North Carolina, and was a Director of Information Technology when he retired. Randy has moved to Mooresville, North Carolina, where he is enjoying boating on Lake Norman so much that "he has lost track of the days!" Randy also sports a New York Yankee cap in a nod to his dad, Bill, who was a huge Yankee fan and would entertain his cousins on Blackberry by imitating legendary Yankee broadcaster, Mel Allen.



Trey [Joy Kay Hatfield], Helen, Anna, and Diana Wright journeyed to Costa Rica after the girls finished forest school for the summer. This was Diana and Helen's first international trip and first trip to the ocean. Highlights included hiking through the rainforest canopy at the Mistico Hanging Bridges; enjoying a nighttime hike at Chilamate Rainforest Eco Retreat to see tree frogs, snakes, and lizards; swimming in the Pacific Ocean at Manuel Antonio National Park; swimming at several waterfalls; and eating the freshest pineapple they've ever had! Meanwhile, back in Tennessee, Helen, 3, helps her mom with their honey bees.



Phyllis Blackburn joined Paris to celebrate his 94th birthday in Columbus, Ohio, this May. Paris and Phyllis, the Hatfields' longest married couple at 72 years, were joined by their family, Roger and Sharon Blackburn, Teresa and Gary Craig, and Rodney and Kim Blackburn.



Hord "Tip" Tipton, a bridge life master, has taken on the task of teaching Nina Rose Hatfield to play. Despite those trials and tribulations, Tip has become of the president of the Clearwater Duplicate Bridge Club in Clearwater, Florida. He and Nina Rose were recognized in December for their contributions to the Club.



Madelyne Still [Bill Morris] is a rising senior at Summerville High School in Summerville, South Carolina. She will be attending technical college in Charleston, South Carolina, this fall to get a head start on her college education. She plans to transfer to the University of South Carolina for a bachelor's degree in physiology. After that, Madelyne will pursue law school with a goal of practicing family law.



Michael Blackburn [Phyllis Blackburn] and Jewels Taverna just returned from a six-month physical therapy rotation in Dallas, where they spent a lot of quality time with the Joe and Karen Bowe family. They have returned to North Carolina for the summer after a trip to Mexico where they swam in an underground cave.



The Texas extension of Jeff and Polly's family traveled to Lexington, Kentucky, for Abbey Bowe's [Janet Bowe] wedding (see p. 12). (L-R) Ryan and Emily Bowe joined Joe and Karen Bowe and Chelsea and Michael Tibbitts in attending the wedding in June. The Bowes and the Tibbitts all live in the Dallas-Ft. Worth metroplex, where Joe and Karen enjoy the close proximity to their children and grandchildren. Karen retired from American Airlines at the end of 2024, so they have been settling into to a one-half retired life style with their next adventure being attending the 40th Hatfield Reunion.

Ryan and Emily bought a new home in Dallas this spring and are spending a lot of their energy settling into their new digs.

The Johnsons

It has been a very eventful year for Suzanne [Marlene Adams] and Bryan Johnson. Their first grandchild, Blakely June was born in May (see p. 19). Suzanne has been spending time with Blakely on multiple days to "help" Sydnee and Dylan. Ashley and Ryan Aldridge, who have just celebrated their first anniversary, have also bought their first home. They had help from Bryan and Suzanne, as well as grandparents, Marlene and Bentley, in getting it ready. Although Suzanne and Bryan are still working, they have taken time to go on some trips to get away, including to her aunt, Polly Breeze, in Arkansas and to the Kentucky Derby this year. The whole family is going to Charleston, South Carolina, for a vacation.





Rodney [Phyllis Blackburn] and Kim Blackburn had their entire family on a vacation in Sarasota in March. [L-R] Devin and Zach Blackburn, Evan Kilkenny, Maggie Blackburn (see p. 14), Kim, Rodney, Michael, and Jewels Taverna ny, Maggie Blackburn (see p. 14), Kim, Rodney, Zach and Devin are exenjoyed the sun and sand for a welcome getaway. Zach and Devin are expecting a baby girl, Charlie Lynn, to join them in July. She will be Kim and Rodney's first grandchild.



Siblings and Cousins Everywhere



Steve and Cassie Caudill have had a busy year juggling the activities of their two children, Bennett and Jack. Bennett graduated from New Albany High School (see p. 18) and Jack graduated from the University of Kentucky (see p. 17), where Bennett is headed. They took some time off to cheer for the University of Kentucky football team.



Denise [Ted Hatfield] and Bill Cooper gathered their expanding family in Lake Norris, Tennessee. (L-R) Blake and Laura Graham, who live in Louisville, Kentucky, Bill and Denise, who live in Texas; Iris Graham, Samantha Cooper holding Charlotte Cooper, and Clay Cooper. The Coopers live in Knoxville, Tennessee. In the front row Cooper holding Charlotte Cooper, and Clay Cooper. Blake and Laura expect a baby girl to arrive (l-r) are Haley and Olivia Graham with Daniel and Calvin Cooper. Blake and Laura expect a baby girl to arrive (l-r) are Haley and Olivia Graham with Daniel and Denise are leaving Texas to head back to Knoxville, just before the 40th Reunion. In the meantime, Bill and Denise are leaving Texas to head back to Knoxville, Tennessee, where Denise will bleed blue and Bill will bleed orange!



Nina Rose Hatfield and Hord "Tip" Tipton (not pictured) were in Lexington during Kentucky Derby week from Florida. It was a perfect time for a relaxing meal with Myron Rader, Lisa Rader, Margaret Rader, and Jack McQueary. Margaret and Myron live in McKee, Kentucky, while Lisa and Jack live in Lexington. Lisa also traveled to Florida in March to surprise Tip for his birthday on St. Patrick's Day.

Janet Bowe, center, enjoyed some quality time with six of her grandchildren in Lexington, Kentucky, recently. It has been an eventful year with three graduations and a wedding. (l-r) Jack Caudill (see p. 17), Adam Bowe (see p. 16), Abbey Bowe (see p. 12), Janet Bowe, Anderson Bowe, Bennett Caudill (see p. 18), and Asher Bowe. Anderson is following in the footsteps of her parents, Chris and Michelle Bowe, by studying at the University of Kentucky. Asher, in some wayward fashion, is at the University of North Carolina.





Spencer and Ashley Wright [Joy Kay Hatfield] are busier than ever as Warren started to walk and Nora and Eliza entered more activities. They visited Nina Rose Hatfield and Hord "Tip" Tipton in Florida. Nora, as she was leaving Florida in 2024, told Nina Rose, "Don't worry. I'll be back next year." She is a woman of her word as she brought her family back in June. Spencer continues in his accounting position with a private firm. The Wrights live in Cincinnati near Joy Kay and Tyler, Kate, Griffin, Harry, and Daphne Wright so that there are plenty of opportunities for the cousins to get together.



2025 T-Shirt Order Form

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General Butler Stone Shelter (Jeff Hatfield and Cory Craig)

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General Butler Stone Shelter

table service, drinks, and any side dish you would like to (A main course will be provided. Please bring your own share.)

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TOP GUNEGOIF Tournament

Saturday, August 2

8:00 a.m.

Jeff and Jeanne Hatfield) Sugar Bay Golf Course

Miner Pool Games

1:00 p.m.

(Charlotte Craig and Brittany Blackburn) General Butler Pool

STAND BY ME HISTORY HOUR General Butler Mezzanine (All family members)

4:30 p.m.

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6:00 p.m.

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Dinner

Business Meeting and Awards (Kelly Craig and Cory Craig)

40th Party

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8:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 3
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