

OCTOBER '96 NEWSLETTER

Dear Cousins,

If you didn't receive the April '96 newsletter, please let me know. A problem with my printer caused the ink to completely smear off of some of the labels over time. Several family members attempted to decipher the "ghost writing" on those that were returned; we figured out some and re-mailed them, but I'm sure there were others we missed.

The Klingstedts and Turners are doing fine and we'll soon be sharing the semi-annual task of folding the newsletter, stuffing, labelling, and sealing by whatever family members we can gather, followed by a meal to dispel the glue taste.

We had already mailed the October '95 newsletter when Pam and Kirk welcomed their 5th son (and my 6th grandson), Kirk Nicholas Gusse, who was born on the 13th; and I neglected to include this news in the April edition. Not that he can read yet, but he's starting to walk and gabbling like he'll be making words any day now!

Mother June had either a slight stroke or a "bleed" (depending on how technical you want to get) shortly before the August 1st trip she was truly irked about missing. She rallied soon, though, and just returned from a trip to spend several weeks with a friend in Wyoming whom she hadn't seen in 45 years, followed by a visit to her brother Art and sister-in-law Helene in Denver.

I'm still trying to find ways to make this cover letter more meaningful for everyone but haven't received much in the way of suggestions. Any ideas would be welcome.

I realize that not everyone has the books so that they can refer to the numbers when sending family info; I will try to research them if you request it. In these cases, full names are a must; there are many listings of common names, most with multiple references. If anyone knows the numbers for William Worthington Hoopes and/or Genevieve Gallagher Hoopes, please let me know.

I'll try to print large segments submitted in their entirety rather than split them up among several newsletters. I squeezed two major chunks in this time, because I didn't get many shorter items. I should be able to get your family information in the next issue, Patricia. Helen, I also hope to include your directions to the Yorkshire home of Joshua Hoopes.

Our '98 family reunion is only a few newsletters away; someone please send info! How has it been handled in the past? What needs to be done? etc...

Sincerely,
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