

FAMILY TIES

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As some of you were forewarned, this issue is a little late -- all the Midland Millers had a regional family reunion -- and as my house was the host house, for all six kids and families, I wasn't able to get the Newsletter out on time! I would apologize, but it was so wonderful having all my kids at home at one time, I really can't!! We all had a wonderful time and, as usual, with all the commotion, activities, and just catching up, time flew!

Carol Miller

THE FAMILY KEEPS MOVING!!

As usual, various members are on the move again! We sure do get around . . . and around . . . and around! The following are new addresses:

Pat Walker
12660 Midfield, #105
Houston, Texas 77082

Michael & Carol Dickson
3763 Lake St. [correction]
Lansing, Illinois 60438-2436

Andy & Tami Walker
5101 Blue Glen
The Colony, Texas 75056
214/625-0901

Denise McDonald
2110-C N. Hudson
Chicago, Illinois 60614

Aileen Miller
1720 S. Lakeshore Blvd, #240
Austin, Texas 78741
512/442-4495

Tommy Miller and Rae Irvine
Bremo Bluff, Virginia 23022

AND ADD:

John Monahan
7 North Highland Avenue
Aurora, Illinois 60507

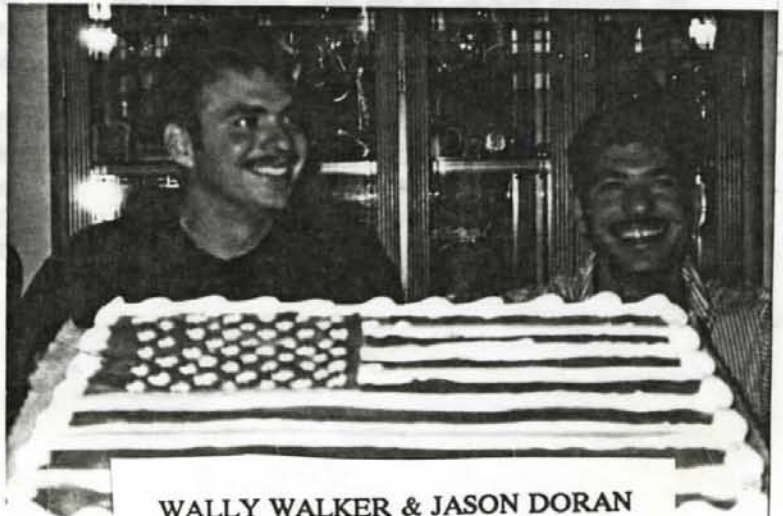
DESERT STORM FAMILY MEMBERS RETURN HOME!!

After many long months and many prayers, Wally Walker and Jason Doran returned home safely from the Desert Storm in the Middle East. Both were in Dallas with their families and were honored with a homecoming party April 27th. Our house was wall to wall family and friends coming to welcome them home and to say thanks for their service to and for our country.

Wally met his 7-month old son, Joshua, for the first time on his return. It didn't take long for them to get to know each other, although I don't think Joshua is too keen on sharing his Mom, Jean!

Jason, Alma, Wally, Jean and Joshua, we are grateful for what you all endured. May God bless and keep you close in a very special way.

Susie Aki



WALLY WALKER & JASON DORAN

GRIFF ON THE MEND

Griff Griffin is recuperating from a heart attack he suffered on June 14. He is doing well and celebrated his birthday at the hospital with many family members present. We will keep him in our prayers for a speedy, complete recovery.

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GUESS WHO'S JOCKEYING!?

We have a jockey (the kind that rides racing horses) in the family now -- guess who? Hint: It's a she and she has six children. You right! CC Parker rides with the wind now. She is training with her first horse now. Place your bets now!

MADD MOTHER MOVES

Denise McDonald has moved in with a friend whose youngest goes away to college this fall. Denise and friend are now a cross between "Kate & Allie" and "Golden Girls." (Note address change for Denise in this Newsletter). Denise has been very busy with her work with MADD traveling around Illinois and hopes to be in Dallas in November.

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ANOTHER BIG MOVE IN THE WORKS

John and I are still in Colorado, but not for long. John's orders for Germany have come up again! We didn't go the first time because of the war, so if there are no major world crises within the next few months, we'll be on our way. John has to be there October 15th, and I'll follow a few months later. If anyone wants to visit, we'll be in Mannheim.

We also got some sad news about John's mother. She found out last July that she had lung cancer. She has been doing chemotherapy for the past 8-9 months. The doctors in Alaska say the cancer has

spread and that she has until July-September to live. Please say a prayer for her and her family.

I will be going to Midland the end of June to participate in a Midland family get together. We haven't all been in the same room in almost five years! I can hardly wait. Hope everyone has a great summer!

Ann Achenbach

The more we empty ourselves, the more room we give God to fill us.

Mother Teresa

TRIDATIONS*

Just like "Fiddler on the Roof" our families have Tridations -- to know where we came from (and hopefully where we are going).

Here's one to share: Charles Lundquist, Jr. has been making Chili Sauce for years. Where did he get the recipe?? Why, from Mama Lundquist!! She made it for years! Where did she get the recipe?? Just like "Fiddler on the Roof" -- we don't know.

We do know Charlie has for years -- every spring - - gone to the market and bought bushels of tomatoes (well, maybe one bushel), onions, peppers, etc., etc., come home, washed and cooked all the ingredients in a big vat-like pot -- ground up same and added seasonings for the secret whow!! taste and pour into quart and pint size jars.

Every year he does this ritual -- every year he and Betty go through the laborious routine -- and every year the kids (now grown) just eat until there is no more.

This year, 1991, the kids wanted to know the secret of making Chili Sauce -- So Tridation -- they all made it together -- Charles, Betty, Charlie III, Lisa, Charlie IV, Eric, Mandy, Brian, Victoria, Kate, David, and Christopher. Now, everyone knows

"how to." I do believe they all have a new appreciation of Chili Sauce after the laborious task of making it.

But it's worth it!! For Tridation!!

For all who want it, the recipe follows -- or just go to Charlie's next spring.

CHILI SAUCE

- 10 large ripe tomatoes
- 3 sweet green peppers
- 3 large onions
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1-1/2 cup vinegar
- 1 teaspoon each of:
 - white mustard seed
 - allspice
 - cloves
 - cinnamon
- 2 or 3 pieces of celery
- little red pepper

Chop (or coarsely grind) vegetables and mix all together. Boil until tender and thick. Put in sterile jars and seal.

*This could be a feature column. Everyone has "Tridations!!" Let's share. Maybe we will find some of us have the same Tridations.

Marianna Van Gilder

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NOTE!!! -- SUSIE AKI TURNED 49 -- THAT'S RIGHT -- 49, ON JUNE 18!! NO ONE CAN BE THAT OLD!! But we have to give Susie her due -- she does age well!! -- she only looks about 48.

LUNDQUIST WORKS ON SPACE PROJECT

Did you pay any attention to the Shuttle launch last April? The EVA (Extra-Vehicular Activity) that the astronauts did where they were playing around with all that hardware in the payload bay

was EDFE (EVA Development Flight Experiment), the experiment Charlie Lundquist III worked on for a year. It was very satisfying for him to watch the culmination of all that work. In his new assignment, Charlie is the deputy project manager for ASEM (Assembly of Station by EVA Methods), which will be building a small piece of space station to prove that astronauts can build up there in space. Charles has six engineers working for him directly and about 35 more indirectly working on the project. So far things are going pretty well.

Little Charlie (the IV) is into law and order-- should end up being a judge. He seems fascinated with the concept of cops and robbers, cowboys and Indians, soldiers, etc. He's getting to where he is quite a help inside and outside the house too. He is in pre-school now and loves homework. Lisa wants to sign him up for a gymnastics class since he is so nimble and agile. Charles III and Lisa will probably give the boys swimming lessons this summer, since half the people in their neighborhood have swimming pools and there's too much opportunity for the boys to get in one.

Eric is into mud, bugs, frogs, snakes, etc. and his passion is going to the beach or zoo -- his other passion is eating. He's only two, yet he eats as much as Lisa.

Charlie and Lisa Lundquist, III

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ANOTHER FAMILY MEMBER LOCATED!

We are so pleased to have found an address for John Monahan [see address additions in this Newsletter], the son of Evelyn (Evie) and John Monahan. John is an assistant building manager for three rooming houses and also works for a large newspaper in Aurora. It's so wonderful to locate more family. A big hello and welcome to the Family Newsletter, John!

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It's not how much we do that is pleasing to God, but how much love we put into the doing.

M. Teresa