

A good friend laughs at your worst jokes, puts up with your worst moods, goes along with your worst ideas.... and always see the best in you

Recently a pool of people in New York City showed that 80 percent of them wouldn't want to live anywhere else in the world. Besides, it was reported, it would violate the terms of their parole.

Did you hear about the doctors on strike against the huge managed care network? HMO officials said they'll find out what their demands are—as soon as they can get a pharmacist to go over there and read their signs.

A sign on Washington Route 8, featuring an illustration of a police car with lights flashing, reads, "If you drink and drive, we'll provide the chasers."



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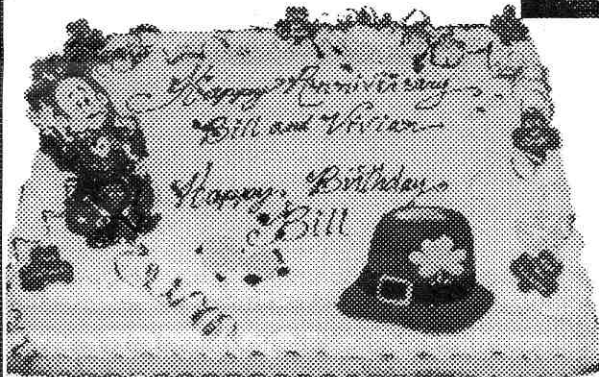
Three celebrations— one hell of a party!

This year Bill and Vivian's 55th Anniversary, Bill's 77th Birthday and St. Patrick's Day fell on Saturday, the actual holiday. I think this was a first.

And a heck of a party we had. The clan came early and stayed late. Eight of Bill and Viv's family joined in the celebration. We were at the High Hat



Bill & Vivian seal 55 years with a kiss.

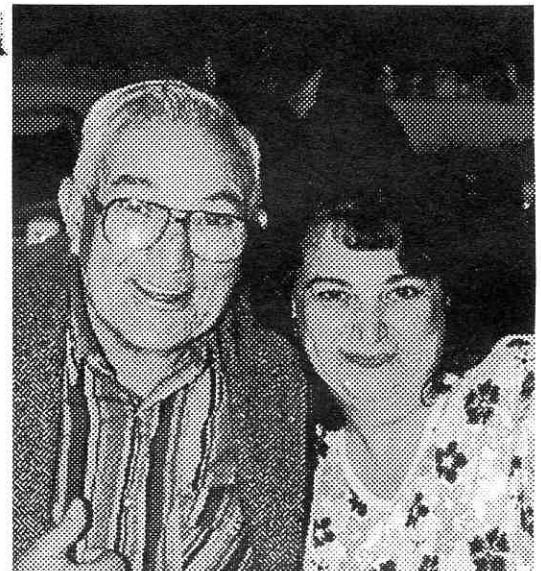


The dreaded birthday sheet cake

Chinese restaurant as usual. (A crazy place for St. Patricks, but the room and the food (six course) was terrific and copious as always.) There were plenty of doggie bags. Toodles had a steak treat and Aggie had Chinese. We had the same waitress that we have had every time we celebrated there. She did her usual bang up job of serving our needs at the table and the bar. Many worked the room as cameras flashed and the visiting was superb. Many lies were told about those not present. Ken gave us the dates for the Glen Ayer outing in June. (15-17) details elsewhere in this issue. We learned that John and Liz had another goat named Ernie. They changed Boris' name to Bert. I hope to have a picture before this Bait Box comes out.

Coming from afar were Fred and Helen

from Seattle, Ken and Jo from Olympia. Larry from Clarkston (He's sporting chin whiskers again.), Don and Hazel from Elgin, Gerry, Dorothy and daughter, Bobby Lu, Carol Bailey, her sister, Iris Reilly and daughter, Margo Clark, all from Madras. John and Liz from Kalama and Pete, Dick and Marilyn from



Gerry and daughter, Bobby. How can such an O.F. have such a pretty daughter?



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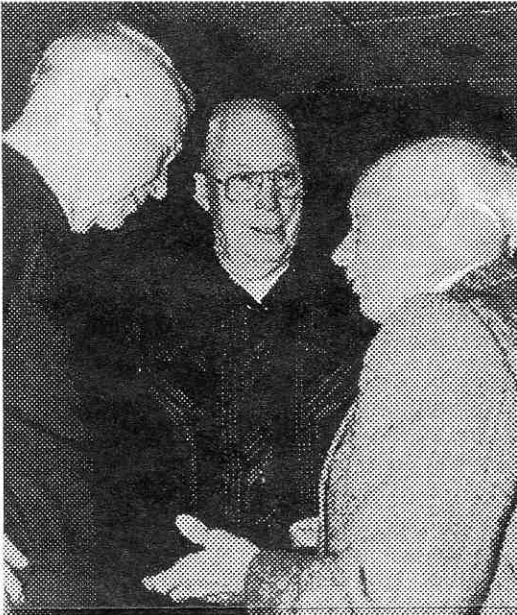
More pictures from the party.

Estacada, Pete, Patty and Hunter from Brightwood.

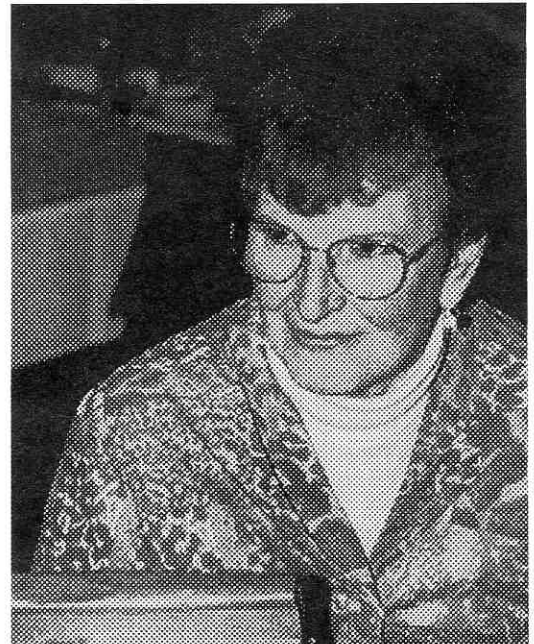
The Watters contingent included son Michael, Grandson Vincent, our youngest grandchild Becky, daughter Judy and her husband Dick and their two boys, Dave and Scott and Scott brought Stephanie, his girl from Seattle. Scott works for Intel and Steph works for a brokerage company in Seattle, so they keep the roads busy on the weekends.

Ollie Wilcox and Doris Marra joined in the fun. So did Leo and Cherie and their neighbor, Wally. Double D and Dorothy brought Monty and Opal. Jean let Harry come as did the ugly brother-in-law, Bob and Melba with Gib and Blondie. King Richard and Carolyn. Dave and Louise were joined by daughter, Kathy and Larry. My daughter, Gayle came as my guest.

If I counted correctly I believe we had 54 Dipsea Netters. Chauncey was sidelined with a throat infection and Bob had a better offer. I had to collect the money and this year we came out even. It did cut me short on the visiting. Wally brought pictures from his old Pan Am days for Ken and pictures of the annual slug races at the Brightwood tavern on Mt. Hood.



King Richard telling it like it is to Gib and Old Don. Wonder if he sold them?



Doris Marra, looking pretty as always. Isn't it nice we have such good looking gals?



Another case in point. Here are Helen and Jean. There are no flies on these two gals either.



Melba, Jo and Blondie visit while Hunter, Pete And Patty are in background. Can that be Harry at the bar?



Wally and Leo discuss the good old days they spent with Volkswagen.



