

# LEWIS FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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**H**as it really been three months since our last newsletter? Time really flies when "you are having fun" or as, my Daddy used to say "you're as busy as a one legged man at a butt kicking contest". For those of you who knew my Daddy, he did not use the word "butt", he used a three letter word describing the same location on the human anatomy.

Anyway it is always a pleasure for us to write you family members with our update on the things of mutual interest to all of us. Namely, the Robinson Point Cemetery, Our Reunion Plans, and News of Our Family Members and Friends.

We are sad to report that Margaret Lewis Scoggins, daughter of James Miles "Bud" Lewis died March 8, 2000 in Miami, FL. "Uncle Bud" was the second son of "Coot" Lewis, the youngest child of Jesse Lewis. Some of Margaret's next of kin are, Bill and Edwin New, Katy Edwards, Joyce Nelson, and Betty Duffield, all of whom have attended our reunions. Our condolences go to all the family of our cousin Margaret.

Ann and I are looking forward to a visit from four of Ann's nieces the weekend of May 26. We are planning on a pontoon boat/fishing trip on the bay. Hope we have plenty of sun, sun tan lotion, good weather, and luck.

*"Lead your life so you won't be ashamed to sell the family parrot to the town gossip".*

## CEMETERY REPORT

We continue to have one of the few places on the shore of the Blackwater/East Bay system where we, the public may visit and enjoy the serenity of a

few moments of reflection on our past. A visit will take you back in time and it is easy to see why our ancestors settled in this area. If you have not visited our RPC, you are encouraged to do so.

The Cemetery continues to be well kept. We make sure that we water the plants every now and then.

We will plan a trip to RPC when all of you join us at our Reunion in July.

*"To the world you might be one person, but to one person you might be the world".*

## FINANCIAL REPORT

We continue to be in good financial condition. Our bank account as of May 1 was \$291.14 and our CD account has \$8010 with interest being credited quarterly into the checking.

As mentioned in our last newsletter, our CDs provide sufficient income to maintain the RPC. We do not, however, have sufficient income to cover the costs of publishing the newsletter.

We proposed, in our last newsletter, that contributions be made to a "RPC Newsletter CD Fund" which would go to providing necessary income to continue mailing the newsletter without having to ask you good folks for money. To date we have received one donation from George and Joy Lee. The "RPC Newsletter CD Fund" is a good idea and we encourage you to make your contribution today.

*"Your worst days are never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God's grace. And your best days are never so good that you are beyond the need of God's grace."*

## REUNION UPDATE

Let me remind you again, our Reunion is July 28 & 29, 2000.

Our plans call for a Dutch Treat breakfast at Reggie's on Friday, July 28 at 8:30 AM. (We need you to let us know if you plan to attend so we will know how much space to reserve).

Following breakfast we will visit Robinson Point Cemetery because those buried in RPC is the reason we are all here and enjoying our family ties.

From RPC we will visit Henry Botts' Country Western Museum. This is a place you will long remember and enjoy, even if you are not a fan of Country & Western Music.

After our visit to the Muscum, we will have free time until 5:30 PM, at which time we will again gather at the Milton Garden Club, 100 Alabama St. for our catered dinner, complete with entertainment.

On Saturday, July 29, we will gather at the Navarre Pavilion on Highway 98 in Navarre for our family picnic. All you have to do is bring a covered dish, your favorite beverages, a lawn chair (if desired), and your appetite. All paper products, utensils, ice, etc. will be provided.

To me this sounds like a great weekend. However, in our last newsletter we included a "Reservations" clip out urging your payment for the Friday dinner so we could order your meal.

To date it looks like **ONLY** Fred & Edith Bonifay and Rodney & Ann Rollo are the **ONLY ONES INTERESTED**. I can't believe we have reserved the Garden Club, which seats over 100, just so Fred & Edith and Rodney & Ann can have a Lewis Family Reunion.

I urge you to complete the "Reservations Clip Out" and return it along with your check to cover the costs of your meals. **PLEASE JOIN US!!**

## AREA MOTELS

Following is a partial list of Motels in the Milton area:

Emerald Sands, 6436 Highway 90, Milton. Phone No. (850) 623-3821

Ashbury Suite & Inn, Gateway Plaza, Highway 90, Milton. Phone No. (850) 623-2296

Comfort Inn 4962 SR 87 South. Milton. Phone No. 800 228-5150 or (850) 623-1511

Holiday Inn Express, SR 87 and I-10, Milton. Phone No. (850) 626-9060

Comfort Inn, 8680 Navarre Parkway, Navarre. Phone No. 800 222-5150 (850) 939-1761

All of these are very nice places with reasonable rates.

**Make your plans now to attend our Lewis Family Reunion on July 28 & 29, 2000.**

**Complete, Clip out, and mail your RESERVATIONS!!**

**PLEASE DO IT TODAY!**

*"Real friends are those who, when you feel you've made a fool of yourself, don't feel you've done a permanent job."*

Til July, Rodney & Ann