



2022 Martini Newsletter

The annual Reunion of the Charles & Eva Martini family was held on Sunday, August 22, 2021 at Fernbank Park on the Ohio. There was a large turnout despite a very warm day. The families of Uncles Epp and Andy did a great job as usual in providing lots of activities for everyone including games and crafts for the little ones and the usual games for the adults. Despite the occasional river breeze and several large fans, the heat got to me and I ended up leaving early so the following information was provided by my self-proclaimed "Secretary", Arlene! Thanks, Sis!

I think two tiny ones should share the title of youngest ones present as they were so close in age!! They are Shaun (7/21), son of Cathy and grandson of Rosemary and Lucas (7/26), son of Hannah and great-grandson of Mike & Mary Ann. Our Max took over as the oldest one present, a title which Paul had claimed for several years. The brother/sister duo of Jessica Johnston & Brandon Martini were Corn Hole Champs while aunt/niece team of Arlene & Terry Haney won the egg toss with a bouncy, no-breaking egg!:) Margie correctly guessed 255 pieces and so took home the large Martini glass filled with candies.

The CUZ had their usual activities throughout the year. Margie & Jeanne started off the Christmas season by hosting a delicious brunch followed by themed games and a White Elephant exchange which is always fun & interesting. It's true that "one person's trash is another's treasure!" The summer picnic was cancelled once due to the heat and when rescheduled, Margie generously offered her lovely new home as an alternate to the park for the same reason. Secret Cousins were revealed and new ones chosen for the coming year. It's great that we keep in touch this way and also via the monthly lunches.

*As usual, I sincerely appreciate the quick and many responses to my request for news and updates; couldn't do this w/o them.

JOE: Joe says everything's the same with them and hello to all. He added he's still kicking at 92☺ Take care and keep doing what you're doing, Joe!

FRANK: Only good news from this front ~ the weddings of Bob's granddaughter, Katie Knochelmann to Tyler Wichmann on 10/22/21 and Joe's granddaughter, Kayla Brennan to Robert Colon on 7/16/22. Best wishes to the newlyweds!

CHARLEY: It was great that we had our reunion over Labor Day weekend. About 48 were able to attend but distance and other commitments prevented others from coming. Chic continues to deal with his chemo regime which everyone knows can be rough so prayers are still appreciated. He and Claire are expecting their first grandchildren



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this winter as both of Rick & Lynne's daughters are expecting girls in November & December☺.

Our son, Ron married Shelley Medina on 7/28/22 and look forward to getting into their dream home next year. Shelley's daughter, Jada, is a sophomore at U of Louisville.

Dave & Tina's granddaughter, Kailey, is a sophomore at Seton while her brother, Steve is a freshman at Elder. Hats off to Dave & Tina for doing a terrific job in raising their "2nd family!"

As per Arlene, there's lots of romance going on in their family with 3 weddings planned for '23! Rob Doerger & Kendra Summer plan to tie the knot in Michigan in May; Emily Corso & Sam Richardson are planning their July wedding in Louisville while Abby King & Tyler Sansom will wed locally in Alexandria in September! Megan Corso & Kyle Ward are engaged but no date set. Jessica King has followed her Mom's vocation and is a nurse at Childrens'. Arlene & Bob feel blessed as their grandkids move forward in their lives, each following a different and exciting path.

Mark's wife, Maureen (Mo) still lives in Memphis is doing fine and was able to come to our reunion. Her son, Nick and grandson, Brooks, from Nashville came with her. Finally got some news from their branch☺. Christine & Pete still reside near Seattle. Their son, Brad, attends the U of San Diego, Bridget is at Cal-Poly and David is a Jr. at Bellevue HS. Nick & Mary's Ella attends the U of Arkansas, Brooks is a Jr. at Montgomery Bell Academy, Lucy is in 7th grade at St. Cecilia while Millie is a 4th grader at St. Henry. Matt & Stephanie are still in Ellicott City, MD and their son, Jack is a Jr. at Mt. Hebron HS, his sister, Charlie Grace is a 7th grader at the City Middle School. We all wish we would see them more often but the distance makes it hard to get together☺.

ANDY: Received Mary Jo's report as I was writing this so am just going to paste it here:

Donald's Family: Ginny and Matt Beckenhaupt will be blessed with two grandchildren in December 2022. Daughter Meredith and her husband Raymond Abital are expecting their second child. Their son Jared and wife Katie are also expecting number. I heard they are due a week apart.

Chris & Ben & family mourned the death of his older sister, very sad to lose a sibling as we all know.

The rest of Don's offspring are just busy with their various lives.

Urb's Family: We had a surprise visit from Linda Skidmore, Marge and Urb's nephew Rick, at our fall camping in Sept. It was nice catching up with her family.

Richard's Family: Janet gave me a list of their births in 2022. Rick and Diane's daughters both had babies Jenna and Hayden had a boy Sullivan Richard born March 31, 2022. Daughter Kayla and husband Mike were blessed with a girl Sawyer Kay made her appearance also in 2022.

Ron & Pat's son Ron and wife Allison gave birth to their second girl Gloria Suzanne on 5/11/2022.

Andy and Sarah recently sold their property in Saylor Park to become Indiana residents.



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Kim and Mike are busy working and enjoying their lives.

Tony's Family: Barb, Barb last reported Tony is OK she takes him out usually to their daughter Trish's place when she has the grandboys, he likes to watch them play. Their son David and Gayle's daughter Jessica and husband are the proud parents of Landon Kole Harbert born July 12 2022.

Mary Jo's Family: Steve and Krista's daughter Cheanel gave birth to Calli May Kelleher on 6/21/2022.

Michelle and Dan and their family with son Will at the University of Alabama third year, drew at Mason High School as a Senior, sister Maddie.

Dave and Laura enjoying life and each other.

Dave and I are loving life. Till next year.

Well that was easy! It's as written though I condensed a few dates to preserve space.

RAY: Maxine's niece, Sandy Green, noted several corrections to their page on the tree which will be made on the master copy. Also, Bob's grandson, Leonard & Daniella, welcomed son, Benjamin on 12/19/19. Thanks, Sandy!

MARTHA: Good to hear from Barb. She still takes meds for the blood clot in her leg which are working as she is still among us☺! Audrey is also fine and dandy. They hope to visit Amish Country in October. All their news comes from the Groeschen family. Julie Groeschen Baumann's daughter Jennifer wed Joseph List on 5/14/22 and her son, Michael married Joseph Lese on 6/25/22. Mike is a professor at Marion Univ. and Joseph is an architect. Congrats to all! Lisa's daughter, Marie & Cole Musial have another daughter, Juniper Lynn, on 12/9/21. Anyone else notice her BD is a palindrome???

BUD: Larry & Marge are visiting family in Atlanta & Charleston and then on to Hilton Head so unable to be with us this year. They look forward to making up time with them as Covid delayed trips the last few years. They celebrated several graduations this year. Jules & Doug's daughter, Ella, graduated from Georgia State and Mike & Alisha's son, Graham from Maryland Institute of Art & Design. Their daughter, Hayes, is a freshman at the College of Charleston. Congrats to all. Also safe travels to Larry & Marge; hope to see you next time.

EPP: Diana still enjoys every day of being retired! Her daughter Lisa still works from home and her daughter, Sophie is in 4th grade at St. Antoninus. She keeps busy with cheerleading, volley and basket ball!!! Ginny's grandson, Austin, has 2 years of school left before joining the workforce. His Mom, Laura is in her 24th year of teaching science, the last 13 at the same cyber school. We could surely use more dedicated teachers like her. Dale's granddaughter, Kaitlyn, is a frosh at Seton.

STEVE: Steve & Marty's grandson, Zach, was married on 10/2/21 to Jessica Koons.



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Lou's granddaughter, Carley, is on Seton's golf team; he enjoys going to her tournament play and also playing. Seems our family is well represented at Seton! He said there's nothing else exciting in his family.

Jeanne & Frank's family continues to flourish! Daughter Lori was married to Jake Tierney on 5/21/22. An added bonus is his daughter, Dallis!

Ray, Mike, Tim, Mike Reilmann, Margie & Denny report all is well with their families.

PHIL: Phil and Mary Louise had no news to report.

At our luncheon, the CUZ were discussing the upcoming reunion and ways to simplify it for the host family. Many families are down to one or two on whom the responsibility falls. One suggestion is to eliminate all games except for corn hole and the ever favorite egg toss!! It is difficult to plan especially for children's games as one never knows how many will be in attendance. This would begin with the '23 reunion which just happens to be our turn ~ Charley's family. Any/all suggestions are welcome; just relay them to one of the CUZ and we'll figure out if and/what changes should be implemented. The bottom line is we aren't getting any younger and at some point this may come to an end as our children become more involved with their own families.

SO, we come to the end of another report. As always, I appreciate your input and also the kind words and prayers for Chic. I will send out the family tree when additions and corrections are made. Please let me know when you find errors in it as the old mind and fingers don't work as well as they used to and proof reading one's own work doesn't always go so well!!

Until next time, I'll leave you with something to think about:

"Memory is what you forget with"!

Also came across the following which I thought was interesting, maybe you will too!
Have a Good Year! Take Care and God Bless.

Later. Love. L



Ancestral Mathematics

In order to be born, you needed:

2 parents
4 grandparents
8 great-grandparents
16 second great-grandparents
32 third great-grandparents
64 fourth great-grandparents
128 fifth great-grandparents
256 sixth great-grandparents
512 seventh great-grandparents
1,024 eighth great-grandparents
2,048 ninth great-grandparents

For you to be born today from 12 previous generations, you needed a total of 4,094 ancestors over the last 400 years.

Think for a moment – How many struggles? How many battles? How many difficulties? How much sadness? How much happiness? How many love stories? How many expressions of hope for the future? – did your ancestors have to undergo for you to exist in this present moment...