

# CRADDOCK CONNECTION

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR

And another one bites the dust! I hope the past year has been a good one for all and that the upcoming year will be a better one yet. Don't forget to eat your blackeyed peas.

I asked some folks to tell what the highlight for 1989 was for them. Here are some of the answers I got.

W: Winning the pitch trophy at the family reunion. He also sends out a challenge to Reg and Dave to come this year, and says if they will, he'll lighten up a little on his pitch laying.

Mark: The family reunion. He says, one thing that stands out in his mind is, Onis wearing legal gloves in the horseshoe tournament. How bout it Onis, you want to comment on that?

Lathan: Getting \$20. Also moving to Blinger Hill, after the first few weeks, cause him and Josh fought for the first few weeks.

My year was a good one. Having such a wonderful family, how could it be anything but good. Not to say that we don't have troubles and trials as everyone else does, but you can just get through it all so much better when you know you're not alone. So how can you lose? If God is for you, and that He is, and you have a great big fun loving family like I have, then you're a winner. So I just plan to enjoy 1990 even more than I did 1989. Happy New Year to each and everyone of you.

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## Happy Anniversary

3th	Aubry & Fay Finley	56 Yrs.
3rd	Donald & Paula McDougale	8 Yrs.
8th	Marty & Tammy Morris	7 Yrs.



Two are better than one because they have a good return for their labor. For if either of them falls, the one will lift up his companion. But woe to the one who falls when there is not another one to lift him up.

Furthermore, if two lie down together they keep warm, but how can one be warm alone?

And if one can overpower him who is alone, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not quickly torn apart.

Ecclesiastes 4: 9-12

## Happy Birthday

4th	Tera Jo Morris	1977
4th	Justin Ray Morris	1980
5th	Nona Marie Kennedy	1959
10th	Raymond Craig Morris	1975
12th	Dan Delmar Craddock Sr.	1945
12th	Leonard Ray Craddock	1958
13th	Joyce Ann Craddock	19?
13th	Judy Lavern Smith	1957
15th	Joshua DuWayne Morris	1981
18th	Fay Geneva Finley	1917
18th	J. W. Craddock	1943
20th	Deana Marie Morris	1982
22nd	Rene' Finley Sanders	1959
22nd	Chanda Rae Miller	19?
24th	Paula Carol McDougale	1964
27th	Roni Marie Kolling	1989
28th	Bill Craddock	1944
30th	Steven John Kennedy	19?

Please let me know if I have dates wrong or if I have left someone out. I have a list of 143 birthdays and I know this is only a drop in the bucket. I have a list of only 19 anniversaries and I know there are more married couples than this in the family. Write your families birthdays and anniversaries on a postcard and drop it in the mailbox. I also need some addresses of your grown children not living with you. Don't you think they might enjoy a newsletter too?

## bits & pieces

It seems Joe and Debbie Craddock had a bit of misfortune while doing some fishing in sunny Florida. A reliable source reports that their windshield was busted out of their pickup. Take warning, Leonard and



halsy, if you're down in Florida, be sure to watch your vehicle while you're casting out in the deep.

Notable mention goes to Justin Morris of Seminole, Tx. He won an "Outstanding" award in P.E. and Conduct. He was given The Golden Tomahawk Award, which is awarded monthly. He also recieved a letter from the school principal and had his picture in the "Seminole Sentinel." Totally rad, dude.

Larry Morris is Boy Scout Leader now, look out Larry, those boys may turn out to have more energy and ideas than you do.

And it seems, Mommy Linda Morris is just sitting around gaining weight and wasting her time til the new baby comes. Rest while you can dear, for the time comes when there will be no rest.

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DEAR GABBY,

Can you help me? You gave me advice once before concerning my water bed. It's not actually the bed this time but, it's the sheets for it. They are sewn together at the end and when I try to sleep on my back, (my favorite position) they hold my toes down. I've tolerated this to some degree but, I stuck a nail in my big toe recently and now it's very sore. Last night I just finally had to get out of bed to get some relief. The sheets had my toes all tied down and my foot bent so that I was miserable. Do you have a solution to my problem?

signed BIG TOE TROUBLES

DEAR BIG TOE,

Fortunately for you, I came from a family with big feet and have heard similar complaints quite often. There is a danger involved if this situation is not taken care of soon. Chronic curved toes have resulted from this problem. This in turn necessitates custom shoes.

There are several things you might try, among them are, cutting out holes in the sheets for your feet, (you have to wear thermal socks in the winter and mosquito netting in the summer if you select this option) If you have any tendency to be either pidgeon toed or duck footed then you may be able to lay your feet to one side or the other, another possible answer is putting takes under your sheets as in a tent. The only other way that might solve this problem, and if you don't mind sleeping with your head covered, try sleeping at the foot of the bed.

truly, Gabby

P.S. Since you have so many waterbed related problems, may I suggest that you consider a pallet on the floor? Another thing that has been mentioned of you is that you certainly are not Hindu if you can't walk on just one nail without difficulties.

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J.W. was seen at a Senior Citizen Christmas dinner here last week, all this time I thought he was one of my younger brothers.

The children are deliriously happy tonight, the snow is falling at long last. (Dec. 15) The ground is already covered after only a short while, so it will probably be a good one. Lots and lots of snowmen.

I know this is a little early for the newsletter but we are almost into school vacation and I don't seem to get much done when the kiddos are home. So, I thought I'd just get it sent out early, so I can devote my full attention to the kids. They need a full time referee and cook.

Aunt Fay took a plane to Washington to visit Uncle Glen and Aunt Carrie last week. She says Uncle Glen is not feeling very well but he's home, and Aunt Carrie, with the help of a visiting nurse, is tending him. We love you, Uncle Glen.

After the holidays, we're hoping that things will slow down enough for Aunt Fay to get back to her "Craddock History" article. We sure do like your little glimpses into the past, Auntie.

This may be a little bit premature but, Red Rock Canyon, Hinton Okla. has been mentioned as a possible site for the family reunion this year. They have some pavillions for reservations.

David thinks we should all come to Florida. I'd love to. Gay said she wasn't coming if the women couldn't enter the pitch tournament. Come on Gay, the women WILL get to participate in any event they want to.

It would help if everyone would make known their preferences as to when and where.

At any rate, sometime, somewhere, we will be getting together for fun and games again. I hope that more of you will be entering in the talent show this year.

Just like 1989, it's almost time for me to sign off. So until next time, and as John always says, be excellent to each other and party on dudes. Over and out and I love you.

