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Hello there,

I've been watching the martin bird house for the scout bird that supposedly comes in advance of the others. J.W. can see the bird house better than I can and I have asked him to keep an eye open for the arrival of the scout, he threatened to shoot it if he did, but somehow, I just don't think he really means it.

Carl is really looking forward to climbing up there and cleaning out the bird house and I bet Joe Bob wishes he could be here to help. I'm lucky to have all these guys so willing to help out with the little birds. Ha, ha, ha.

Joe has a little project of his own going right now. He has grafted about 16 different kinds of fruits and nuts into his oak tree. That might be worth waiting around for.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1 st	Kathryn Gail Douglas	1953
5th	Pamela Paulette Morris	1961
10th	April Marie Craddock	1972
11th	Kristy Kay Olinger	1972
15th	Cindi Upchurch	1956
15th	Kaci Upchurch	1980
17th	Leonard Edwin Craddock	1928
19th	Carl Martin Morris	1965
25th	Peter Ray Black	1973
26th	Dale Edwin Morris	1957
26th	Dan Delmar Craddock Jr	1965
26th	Kandice Marie Craddock	1989
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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

4th	David &	Sheila Thomas	6yrs.
8th	Quentin	& Laurie Brent	1 yrs.
17th	Roger &	Pam Morris	11 yrs.

Incidentally, if there's any one out there who has never prepared chicken fried steak for their husband, an anniversary would be a good time to do it.

Dear Gabby,

Remember me, the fella with the waterbed, well, same problem. Actually it's not the same problem but the source is the same. That's right, it's the waterbed. Lately my wife has been getting up alot during the night. No problem there, but when she comes back to bed she just sort of dives in, and her being a little on the hefty side, that poses a big problem. Honest, she gave me whiplash the other night. What in the world can I do? Signed Seasick-

Dear Seasick,

First let me say it is so good to hear from you again. If not for your waterbed, I, perhaps would get no letters at all. However if you recall, I did advise you to get a less troublesome means of sleep. Since you insist on keeping this silly bed I suggest that you try a waterslide with an incline just before entering the bed. This may slow down her momentum and allow a calmer entry. Another possible solution would be to install a lift and have her lowered, slowly, into bed. If none of the above works, get a lawyer. You got a good case there with that whiplash.

yours truly, Gabby

"Yours Truly " a newly formed band, made their debut at Teen Town, Friday night, March 9th. The group, featuring Rodney Craddock, lead singer and guitar picker, Erik (cool) Craddock, also playing the guitar, sometimes lead, Pete Black, bad on the drums, and last but certainly not least, John Morris with his own style on the bass. The boys began practicing about six months ago and are getting pretty good. They are calling their group "Yours Truly". Eat your heart out "New Kids."

O God, Thou art my God; I shall seek Thee earnestly;

My soul thirsts for Thee, My flesh yearns

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In a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Thus I have beheld Thee in the sanctuary,

To see Thy power and Thy glory.

Because Thy lovingkindness is better than 1990

My lips will praise Thee.

So I will bless Thee as long as I live;

I will lift up my hands in Thy name.

My soul is satisfied as with marrow and fatness.

And my mouth offers praises with joyful lips.

Psalms 63: 1-5

I had a telephone call from a good looking nephew (Dan Delmar Craddock Jr) in Memphis Tennessee a few days ago. He says he enjoys the newsletter very much and would like to add his daughters, Kandice Marie, age one, and Crystal Ann, age 3, to the birthday list. Danny is going to college and learning electronics and computers, and plans to start his own cash register business very soon. He hopes to be able to attend the family reunion and is going to learn how to play pitch since it is almost a family tradition. Lookin forward to seeing you Danny. I appreciate your call.

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If you happen to notice that the Mr. and Mrs. are missing from your name on the address label, don't be offended. I did it to everyone, with no disrespect intended. It makes it easier for me to keep track of whos who, and who belongs to who, and besides it makes it more personal.

Those little percentage signs are cute aren't they?

I went to visit with Aunt Fay and Uncle Aubry for a couple of hours the other day, (don't you get mad at me, Uncle Gilbert, they live a lot closer than you do) She said Ansel's grandson, Canaan Sanders, not quite three, had been seriously ill with pnuemonia and had to be hospitalized. Canaan is home now and doing much better but still has some recovering to do. He's still verv weak. Get better, Canaan.

Aunt Fay also equipped me with some wise old adages, this one, says she, came from her dad. " If you always float along like a dead log, you'll be swept away by the ourrent." She added, " swim upstream and fight the current." She also says, " If you don't let your branches bear fr you'll be

pruned down to one little limb" Uncie Aubry was looking great and went out to dig a drainage ditch in his garden while I was there, the river had recently overflowed and flooded his garden spot.

J.W. sends a out a challenge to Dave more to come enter the pitch once tournaments this year. He says that a trip to Jerusalem, just to keep from losing is rather going to the extremes and he hopes Dave won't do anything that rash this year.

Reginald reports that -Lonnie and Stubart have been seen running with a herd of wild hogs down in the Ocala Swamps in Florida. Lonnie, are you going to sit still for that?

Brad and Faith Archer writes that they are enjoying the newsletter and have moved from Grandbury to Denton, Tx. Thank you, Brad and Faith. Good to hear from you.

I hear that Daisy Craddock was having some problems with her knee and hip. Hope you're better, we're looking for you to come flying in around June 29th or so and your wings need to be in good shape for that.

We're going to set the reunion date for June 30th and if there's anyone that can't make it let us know soon and we'll work something else out. Onis, what about you and Betty? You can't miss out on this you know. Betty, we're fixing to clean out the pool, get your swimsuit out of the mothballs.

Lonnie, this may be the only chance you get to take a picture with all of your brothers and sister. (I will be in this picture if I have to have one taken alone and graft it on) Let Stubart take care of the wild hogs until you get back.

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The martins came, they saw, they left. I hope they come back.

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If you find yourself in need of a friend, check yourself out, maybe you need to be more friendly. If you think nobody loves you; well, are you a lovable person? Try doing something for someone, or giving encouragement or cheer to someone daily; even if you have to go out of your way to do it. You might be surprised how much better you'll begin to feel.

Love, Adla

Please fill out this form, fold 3 ign Smple of Tapand return as soon as possible. It will help us to plan the reunion. (Sorry I Coulan't gum the edge)
I will be able to attend the reunion June 30th. 1990. Yes No I cannot come at that time but could make it July 4th Yes 2.1 will do the following act in the talent show
 3. I plan to enter the pitch tournament. Yes No 4. I plan to enter the horseshoe tournament. Yes No 5. I plan to enter the fishing tournament. Yes No 6. I will bring a video camera and take pictures of the activities and maybe get some behind the scenes, unexpected good stuff. I will make copies of the video to anyone who asks, but I will need to charge the price of the video cassette and postage for this service. Yes No 7. I will take responsibility of keeping a record of names of everyone who attends. Yes No 8. I will be responsible for reporting the news on that day (to be printed in the newsletter)
Yes No 9. I won't keep track of all the news but I will report about
List below any suggestions you have or if there is anything you would like to do, PLEASE DO. Aunt Fay is in charge of the talent show, Larry Dean is in charge of the pitch. Roger & Pam Morris are doing horseshows and some contests and games for the youngsters. Dan has not committed to the fishing yet but I'm fixing to pressure him. Paul has donated an (almost new, used

about once)\$80 rod & reel to the one with the biggest catfish caught from the bank. (no boats) He says this will give the younger and the ones who don't have boats a chance to win something. This bass tournament winner will get a trophy and Dan will be making the rules for that one. What do you think about having a junior pitch division this year for sixteen and under? Whatever you can do and will do to make this a fun year we want your ideas. It's your party I Leonard & Daisy it won't be complete without you. Lonnie, be there!

10.1 have the following suggestions and comments and I volunteer to do the following;

?S. Reg and MARTHZ CRAddock are the proud PARENTS of a "beautiful baby girl." Jacquelin MARie was born MARCH 26. MARTHA Says she has more hair than Reg

Signed