

# CRADD DOCK CONNECTION

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## Love Never Fails

Are the berries ripe? I couldn't begin to tell you how to make wine, nor do I drink it, but I'm told this recipe is very delicious and I'm sure the alcohol contents would be cooked out of it. I don't know where to tell you to get your wine, I'm hoping to get a cupful from the same person who gave me this recipe. You'll have to find your own.

### Blackberry Wine Cake

White Cake Mix

Small Box Blackberry Jello

1 Cup Oil

3 Eggs

1 Cup of Blackberry Wine

Mix together, cook in bundt cake pan, 45 min. at 350 degrees. Remove from oven and while the cake is still hot, poke holes in it with a fork. Mix together 1/4 cup wine, 1 cup sugar and 1/4 cup melted butter or margarine. Pour this mixture over cake and into holes in the cake.

## happy birthday

3rd	Angela Rose Wall	1966
5th	Samie Dee Lauray Craddock	1953
7th	David Glen Craddock Jr.	1963
13th	Laura Kay Bowes	
23th	Brandy Lynn Foster	
25th	Jared Dean Morris	1983
25th	Alan Craddock	1988
26th	Leesa Lyn Morris	1979
30th	Roy Glen Crutchfield	
30th	Thomas DeWayne McIntosh	
30th	Brandon Lee Morris	1982

The other day I came across a booklet of poems that my 10 year old daughter had put together. Some of the poems were written by Walter De La mare, Carl Sandburg, and other famous names. Then I came across a beautiful little poem and was

surprised to see the author was my very own little Leesa. I want to share it with you if I may:

### RAINBOWS

After it rains I look for a rainbow,  
Every color means something to me.

Love, hope, dreams and friends.

At the end of every rainbow,  
there's a pot of gold.

Every piece of gold means happiness  
and joy.

by Leesa Morris

I just can't resist putting the other one  
in too.

### BOYS

Some are cute, some are funny,  
and some are big, little, and shy.  
But anyway, God loves them all.

by Leesa Morris

ALWAYS pray for the clown, you  
never know when his smile might be hiding  
a tear.

Set high goals, low man on the totem  
pole has everyone on his head.

Several weeks ago, Judy Morris ask me  
to alert my readers to the future  
environment of our children. She has sent  
some tips along, such as buy goods in  
containers that can be recycled or that will  
decompose easily. Sort your trash to be  
recycled, from that to be dumped. Thank  
Judy, I agree that our children's future is  
important. (physical and spiritual)

Onis and Betty Craddock paid us a  
surprise visit. We were very glad to see  
them. They will not be able to be here for  
the reunion as Onis could not get a vacation  
for that time. Their visit was short but we  
had a good time with them. Betty and I let  
them beat us the first three games of pitch  
(knowing how they can't hardly stand to  
lose) then we thought they might be able to



stand us winning one, alas, when the score was 1 to 16, our favor, they both found excuses to quit, right in the middle of the game. By the way Onis, Betty didn't smoke your cigar, I found it under the microwave table. Why did you put it there?

I have made a major mistake and I ask your forgiveness, Reg, Martha and new baby girl, Jacquelin. I said Jacquelin was born March 26th, she was born on March 28th.

Kathryn Gail Douglas, I'm sorry about the mistake I made concerning your year of birth, Reg informed me that you were born in 1954 not 1953. That sounds better, huh?

Also I have been withholding news submitted by Reg and he has sent a letter asking, one last time before canceling his subscription to the Craddock Connection, so I will print his list of complaints.

#1 Jacquelines birthday: March 28th.

#2 " This should be a special edition, David and I have exposed one of the biggest hoaxes in Craddock History. Last week we were fishing the Oklawaha river near Slimsville. We heard someone playing & singing (Old Shep). We cautiously approached because we had heard tales about a wild man in this area. We sighted a figure sitting on a log amidst a pile of half eaten swamp cabbage. Being very suspicious, because he sounded like Lonnie, we jumped him before he could run, Stubart! Yes, it was Stubart! David noticed a string on back of his head. He pulled it and alas, it was a mask. Now I know why Lonnie and Stubart are always seen in the same area. Yep, it was Lonnie. I'm glad to put an end to this cruel hoax and stop the thousands and thousands of dollars the family has spent in search of Stubart." (Editor's Comment: I won't call any names but I first heard of Stubart from a person living in Florida)

#3 "I have almost recovered from the attack from Gay saying, I looked more pregnant than Martha, I still cower at the mention of her name and Dave's involuntary eye twitch has slowed down, we'll both be allright someday."

#4 " I can just hear Aunt Fay laugh about telling me she would send me a recipe for watermelon rind preserves. I realize now that this was a malicious joke. The watermelons are gone and all the rinds have rotted. Does anyone have a recipe for green acorn preserves? "

#5 "Gail called and said she beat Ronnie fishing, no surprise."

#6 " I have not forgiven the editor for not

printing all of the news I gave her last month."

Reg adds: " P.S. My hair is longer than Jacquelines." Martha says " His hair may be longer, but her's covers more area !"

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This would be a good time to make sure that everyone understands my position as editor does not mean that yours truly necessarily agrees or takes the views and opinions of the contributing news reporters I also maintain the right as editor, to edit.

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I'm getting confused, Reg claims he and David have exposed Stubart as Lonnie in disguise and this morning I received one of the Craddock Connection Questionnaires that was sent out with the last issue of the newsletter and guess who it was from. That's right, Stubart. He won't be coming to the reunion but on the other hand he indicated he would be in the talent show as the invisible man. He didn't give a return address and the letter wasn't postmarked so I don't know his location, but it surely seems to prove his existence. Hey, Stubart.

Keith Finley sent his questionnaire back. He's entering the horseshoe and fishing tournaments. Let me remind everyone of the picture a few months ago of the fella with the big fish. That was Keith. Fish big everyone. Keith has graciously offered to judge our talent show. It would be nice to have one or two more folks help with that. Thanks Keith, for your cooperation.

Paul Craddock also sent his questionnaire to us. Paul is entering the three main events, pitch, horseshoes and fishing. I'm somewhat disappointed that he will not be in the talent show. He admits that he probably has talent, but claims God hasn't shown him what it is yet. We want Paul! We want Paul! We want Paul! You better come up with something. Carolyn what do you plan to do in the talent show?

ATTENTION! ATTENTION!

LADIES WILL BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN THE PITCH, HORSESHOES AND FISHING TOURNAMENTS. THEY WILL ALSO BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE IN ANY OTHER EVENT OR CONTEST THAT IS PART OF THE FAMILY REUNION GAMES AND FUN ON JUNE 30TH.

Several ladies seemed to have been under the impression they were excluded from these events and I just wanted to clear this up. Not since ERA, look out fellas.

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## WANTED

Woman to cook and clean, fish, dig worms and make lures. Must have good boat and motor. Please enclose a picture of the boat and motor. signed Ronnie (with a little help from his Dad.)

It is the editor's opinion that he had a lot of help from his Dad. Like maybe Ronnie didn't even have to do any of the work of putting this ad together. Ha ha

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You can eat an elephant, one bite at a time. The problem is having enough time.

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News from Leonard and Daisy confirms our fears that they will not be able to attend the reunion. Daisy said they enjoyed visiting with us when they were here. We enjoyed it too, but we're still gonna miss you at the reunion.

They also said Uncle Glen is not doing very well and we're real sorry to hear that. We send our love to you Uncle Glen and Aunt Carrie.

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## IT'S A GIRL!

Larry & Linda Morris have a new member in their family. A baby girl, born Monday, April 16th and weighing 6 lbs. and I forgot the ounces. They named her April D' Lynne. This makes a grand total of 23 grandkids for us. We're lookin' forward to seeing you at the reunion April.

I heard some bad news about Cory Morris. Somebody told me he got his foot in the back wheels of a Harley. The good news is that he is doing ok now. Grandma's gonna have to get you some motorcycle boots.

## A MESSAGE TO LONNIE D. CRADDOCK

Lonnie D. Craddock, if you are out there reading this newsletter it's about time for a phone call or letter. I hope you are doing fine. One of your friends in Anadarko wrote a poem I want to share with you.

## ~ Deep In My Heart

I have a longing deep in my heart,  
It lasts through the day into the dark,  
I wake in the morning with a start.  
For you're always there...

Deep in my heart.

Keep in touch and take care of yourself.

Ronda Ann, 303 W. La., Anadarko, Ok 73005

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Yes, Rhonda, I will be more than happy to send the newsletter to you. Herb Craddock and Fay Finley always said, "Once a Craddock, always a Craddock."

Whatever happened to Judy Smith?

According to her papa, Reg, she is somewhere down in Florida. Watch out for the gators and drop us a line Judy.

Dan stopped by for lunch a couple of days ago. He says he might take charge of the fishing, but he will discuss the rules with all of the ones who want to fish. He's concerned that someone might think he cheated when he brings in the biggest fish. He also says he will enter the pitch tournament but not the horseshoes commenting that Lonnie will take the trophy for that. According to Dan, Lonnie practices horseshoes all the time and holds the championship in Slimsville. Dan and BJ will also be singing in the talent show.

We have had an exciting weekend here on the hill. Nathan Craddock had a wrestling match with a bicycle and the bicycle won. Nathan got a deep cut on the back of his leg from the bicycle pedal. The hot fudge sundae from Braum's, helped to comfort him after leaving the Dr.'s office.

Leesa decided to make some donuts while I was absent from the house and some grease got too hot and caught on fire, along came, not Jones, but John with some water to douse the flames, needless to say the flames flared. Fortunately, Leesa was not burned too badly, but she did get some splatters on her arm and hand. She says she will never cook again. The ceiling and cabinets have taken on a smoky appearance. Viola was nice enough to wash my cabinets for me, she said "because she is taller than I." Thanks whatever the reason, Viola.

Joshua doesn't want his school to be out in 2 weeks. He says he won't get to see his girlfriend.

Aunt Fay, we are missing the Craddock History. Maybe next month?

## TALK ABOUT AWESOME

For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will hardly die for a righteous man though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him.

Romans 5: 6-9

Now that's awesome. Until next month love ya.

*Ada Morris*