




Friskes celebrate their golden anniversary

Donald and Betty (Lee) Friske celebrated their 50th anniversary on Feb. 20. They were honored at their home by family members.

The couple met in San Antonio, Texas and were married in Sunburst, on Feb. 20, 1953.

Donald Friske was born in



DONALD AND BETTY Friske were married on Feb. 10, 1953.

of Orem, Utah, Gaye Friske Bailey of Provo, Utah, Donald T. Friske of Buda, Texas, and Marla Friske of Kalispell. They also have 39 grandchildren, and 28 great-grandchildren with three more on the way. They reside in Rollins.

Half Moon, Mont. He worked on the family ranch until he was enlisted in the U.S. Army. Betty Jane Lee was born in Columbia, S.C., later moving to San Antonio. Betty was working as a carhop when she met Don, who was stationed in San Antonio during the war. They dated, then returned to Sunburst to be married where Don's family was living after they had sold the ranch in Half Moon.

Donald worked in construction, building chapels for the Church of Latter-day Saints for many years. He also owned his own construction business in Spokane and worked in construction for the state of California.

The couple has four children, Lynne Friske Thompson

Gelinases mark golden anniversary

Raymond A. and Sylvia A. Gelinas Sr. recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Kalispell. A dinner and reception, hosted by their son and daughter-in-law Tim and Donna Gelinas, was held in their honor at the WestCoast Kalispell Center Hotel.

The reception was attended by 47 friends and relatives. The evening included champagne toasts and fond memories of the honored couple given by children, grandchildren and close friends, and through letters sent by those who were unable to attend. The dinner was followed by the cutting of a replica of their wedding cake, and dancing.

Ray and Sylvia were married on Jan. 24, 1953, at Our Lady of Sacred Heart in Springfield, Mass. Both were born and raised in Massachusetts. They moved to Kalispell in 1964. Ray is a retired electrician and black-



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smith. Sylvia worked in social services.

They are the parents of eight children, Raymond A. Gelinas Jr., Mary E. Randall, Matthew R. Gelinas, Laurie A. Gelinas,



A RECEPTION was held to honor the Gelinases on their 50th anniversary.

Lucinda M. Tkach, Timothy P. Gelinas, Sara E. Gelinas and Rebecca Gelinas Rader. They also have 16 grandchildren.

They attend the World Wide Church of God.

Glaziers celebrate 50 years together

Howard and Laura Glazier of Kalispell celebrated their 50th anniversary by going back to the site of their honeymoon.

The couple were married on May 31, 1953, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Kalispell. Tiny and Viola Marquardt stood up for them on their wedding day.

The couple met in 1951 at a 4-H camp. He left for two years in the Army shortly after they met.

Two years later, he married his sweetheart, Laura Marquardt.

They still reside at their ranch in the Boorman community.

Their children are Laura Lee Buckallew, Frances Smith,



HOWARD GLAZIER and Laura Marquardt were married on May 31, 1953.

Audrey Vetrone, Shelly Stickney and Harold Glazier, all of Kalispell.



THE GLAZIERS went on a second honeymoon trip for their 50th anniversary.

They also have 15 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Guys celebrate golden anniversary

Edward and Sallie Guy recently celebrated their 50th anniversary with their six children, spouses and 17 grandchildren who came from Montana, Washington, California, Texas, Germany and South Africa.

Edward James Guy and Sallie Neil Krieg were married at the First Methodist Church in Oklahoma City on July 24, 1953.

They moved to Great Falls in 1956 where they lived for nine years. They later moved to Billings with their six children, where they lived for 33 years.

After spending many wonderful summers in the Flathead Valley, they retired to Bigfork in 1988.

Edward and Sallie continue to enjoy "the life God has given them" by bicycling, painting, gardening and traveling and frequent visits from their children and grandchildren.



EDWARD AND Sallie Guy were married on July 24, 1953.



THE GUYS recently celebrated their 50th anniversary.

Linds celebrate golden anniversary

Arnold "Arnie" and Flora Lind of Kalispell celebrated their 50th anniversary at an open house and family dinner hosted by their children. The event was held on Feb. 15 at the Christian Center in Kalispell.

The couple were married on Feb. 14, 1953.

He was born and raised in Iowa. He moved to Kalispell during the summer of 1952.

Mutual friends introduced them to one another. He insists that their friends were recruited by Flora to bring him to Kalispell to sweep her off her feet.

He worked as a tractor mechanic all of his life; to this



AN OPEN HOUSE and family dinner were held to mark the Linds' 50th anniversary.

day he still tinkers on his beloved tractors.

She was born in Havre and moved to Kalispell in 1950. She owned and operated a day care in their home for 27 years.

The Linds have six children, Arnold and wife, Laura, of Tumwater, Wash., Lois and husband, John Cummings, and David and wife,



ARNOLD AND FLORA Lind were married on Feb. 14, 1953.

Renal, both of Kalispell, Dolores and husband, Jord Thomas, of Escondido, Calif., and Janet and husband, Dale

Sparks, of San Clemente, Calif. They have six grandchildren with the seventh on the way.

Arnie and Flora wish to thank all their friends and family for helping them celebrate their special day.

Odegard

Ken and Pat

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Odegards celebrate 50 years of marriage

Ken and Pat Odegard recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by having a family reunion in Albuquerque, N.M., during the 2002 Christmas holiday. The event was hosted by their youngest son, Tom, and his wife, Mimosa Finley. Their five children were all in attendance to celebrate the special occasion. Leah Ann and husband, Dave, of Washington, Carol and husband, Rex, of Colorado, Ken of Nevada, Sue and husband, Steve, of Nevada, and Tom and wife, Mimosa, of New Mexico. Their seven grandchildren also joined the reunion, Adrienne, Mackenzie, Allison, Morgan, Samara, Shelby and Duncan.

Ken and Pat had a second celebration on Jan. 15 with many of their longtime friends at their winter home in Surprise, Ariz.

Ken and Pat (born Delores Bellmore) were married Jan. 15, 1953, in Kalispell, at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church with the Rev. Harry Baker officiating. They lived on and ran



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the family farm in Kalispell until 1971. They moved to Bozeman, in 1971, and were the first owners and operators of



THE ODEGARDS marked their golden anniversary with a family reunion.

the Taco John's restaurant in Bozeman where they worked for 20 years. They retired in 1990 and moved back to the family farm in Kalispell in 1995. The couple spends their summers in Kalispell working on numerous projects and entertaining all their family that returns home for summer visits. During the winter, they head south to spend time with their friends in Arizona.

Parker

Jerry and Shirley

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50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The family of Jerry & Shirley Parker wish to invite you to an open house

Sat, July 12, 2003
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Hampton Inn
Kalispell, MT

NO GIFTS PLEASE

Phillipses mark golden anniversary

David and Lois (Hanson) Phillips of Kalispell celebrated their 50th anniversary at an open house hosted by their daughters, Martha Oursland and Joy Gregory. The event was held at Central Bible Church in Kalispell.

The couple were married on May 26, 1953, in Sumas, Wash. Both grew up in the Flathead Valley and have known each other since childhood.

David served with the 46th portable surgical hospital attached to the Chinese Army in Burma from 1943 to 1945. After he was discharged, he studied aircraft mechanics in Oakland and took flight training at the Spartan School of Aeronautics in Miami, Okla.

Lois graduated from Northwestern Bible School in Minneapolis and worked at General Mills. She was employed at Fergusson Shoe Store in Kalispell before their wedding.

The couple lived in Fairbanks, Alaska, until 1957 where David was a partner in Fairbanks Aircraft Service. They moved to Portland where



DAVE PHILLIPS and Lois Hanson were married on May 26, 1953.

he attended Multnomah School of the Bible, later returning to Fairbanks where they became active in the University Park Bible Church, teaching Sunday School classes and were involved in the music program.

The Phillipses moved back to Kalispell in 1966 and were active in the Central Bible Church, and



AN OPEN HOUSE was held to honor the Phillips on their 50th anniversary.

David was a carpenter. They moved back to Fairbanks in 1974 until their retirement, returning to Kalispell to be near their three children, seven grandchildren and three great-granddaughters.

Their children are Martha Oursland and husband Bill, Joy Gregory and husband, Dale, and Jon Phillips, all of Kalispell.

*Brenda and Ed Probert
are celebrating their
40th Wedding Anniversary
and
Brenda's 60th Birthday*

*Old Friends, Co-workers, Sweet Adelines,
Neighbors are invited to the celebration.*



*Saturday, August 2, 4:00 p.m.
in their garden at
158 Bayou Road
Kalispell*

*Entertainment, food and fun.
Casual Dress*

Stricklers mark anniversary

Dee and Claire Strickler of Columbia Falls celebrated their 50th anniversary on June 1 at First Presbyterian Church in Whitefish. The couple was honored at a buffet luncheon hosted by their family, friends in the church and the deacon.

The Stricklers were married on June 1, 1953, in Hendricks Chapel on the campus of Syracuse University in Syracuse, N.Y.

The couple came to the Flathead Valley in 1976 to start a business. Dee Strickler is the author of five books on wildflowers of the Rocky Mountains and Pacific Northwest. Claire is a retired teacher and past principal at Cross Currents Christian School. They have three children,



DEE AND CLAIRE STRICKLER

Jack Strickler of Shanghai, People's Republic of China, Zoe Strickler of Storrs-Mansfield, Conn. and Walt Strickler of Boulder, Colo.

Taylors celebrate 50th anniversary

Jack and Rosainne Taylor celebrated their 50th anniversary in Missoula with family and friends at the home of her brother, Norman Poor.

The couple eloped and were married at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on June 8, 1953.

Attending were their son, Steven and wife, Genie, of Dallas; daughter, Vicki and husband, Tim Cannon, and four children of Moore, Minn., and two sons, Stuart and Preston Taylor of Whitefish. Also attending were the Taylor's granddaughter, Heather Taylor of New Mexico, Rosainne's sister, Norma and husband, Jim Petet, of Salt Lake City, and nephew, Tony, of Michigan. Family and friends from Kalispell and Missoula also came to honor the couple.

A three-tier wedding cake was baked and decorated by their niece, Tana Paul. Family and friends entertained with live music.

The Taylors reside in Kalispell.



JACK AND Rosainne Taylor were married on June 8, 1953.



THE TAYLORS celebrated their golden anniversary with family and friends.



KENNETH AND MAY Vance were married on Aug. 1, 1953.

Vances to celebrate their 50th anniversary

Kenneth and May Coverdell Vance will celebrate their 50th anniversary at a potluck lunch reception at 54265 Montana 83 S. in Swan Lake on Aug. 2 from 1 to 5 p.m. The event is hosted by their children and grandchildren.

The couple were married on Aug. 1, 1953 at a Methodist

church in Kalispell by Rev. Van de Mark. Their witnesses were May's parents, Marion Park and Muriel Coverdell.

Kenneth was enlisted in the U.S. Army from 1954 to 1956, and spent a tour of duty in Korea. He was employed by the Daily Inter Lake for 44 years. May stayed home and took

care of their three children. She frequently sewed clothing for the children and herself, and enjoyed refinishing antique furniture.

Kenneth retired Nov. 3, 1989, and the couple moved to their Swan Lake home and have lived there since.

The couple's children are

Richard Vance and wife, Sylvia, of Braselton, Ga., and their children, Erica, Aaron and Zachary; Gerald Vance and wife, Mary, of Swan Lake, and their children, Austin and Kandy Rae Vance; and Cindy Otten and husband, Bob, of Kalispell, and their daughter, Brandy Marie Nelson.