

Historian's Report – 2022-2023

August 1, 2022, thru August 1, 2023

45th Simon Family Reunion

Babies

- ♥ **Serenity Rain Ristau**, baby girl, first daughter of Danielle Vybiral and Josh Ristau, granddaughter of Matt & Joy Vybiral, (and Gail Vybiral), great granddaughter of Frank & Louise Vybiral, was born on Sept. 18, 2022, in New Castle, PA. Favorite nickname "Rinney."
- ♥ **Owen James Ei**, (*pronounced ee-eye*), son of Leighann Steck and Josh Ei, grandson of Matt & Joy Vybiral, (and Gail Vybiral), great granddaughter of Frank & Louise Vybiral, was born on Oct. 4, 2022, in Cambridge Springs, PA. Owen joins big sister Hallie (age 10) and Coltin (age 5).

Deaths

- ♥ **Barbara "Babs" Ehrenfeld**, beloved wife of Dennis Ehrenfeld, Sr. (deceased), mother of Dennis, John, James and Carol, and grandmother of five grandchildren, died on February 10, 2023, in Butler, PA. Babs was 78 years old. Saxonburg Memorial Church Cemetery.
- ♥ **Carl Davis**, father of Amanda Jennings, stepfather of Patrick and Paul Weiss, (ex-husband of Judy Torbin), died on February 18, 2023, in Wexford, PA. Carl was 82 years old. North Side Catholic Cemetery.
- ♥ **Marge Geyer**, mother of Gail Vybiral, grandmother of Kayla Vybiral, Leighann Steck, Matthew Vybiral, Jr., and Danielle Ristau, died on February 21, 2023, in Tionesta, PA. Marge was 80 years old.
- ♥ **Georgia (Atherton) Bassett**, mother of Tara Vybiral (Robert's ex-wife), grandmother of Clayton and Ryan Vybiral, died on May 6, 2023, in Canton, PA. Georgia was 74.
- ♥ Belated acknowledgement of **Kathie Cochran**, mother of Ashley Vybiral (David's ex-wife), grandmother of triplets, Juliette, Olivia and Isabella Vybiral, died of COVID-19 on February 14, 2021, in Fayetteville, GA. Kathie was 68.

Weddings

- ♥ **Danielle "Dee" Vybiral & Josh Ristau**, daughter of Matt Vybiral, Sr., (& Gail Vybiral), youngest granddaughter of Frank & Louise Vybiral, were married on November 15, 2022. Their ceremony was performed at home, in New Castle, PA.

Graduations

Congratulations!

- ♥ **Jacqueline A. Ostrowski, BSN, RN**, daughter of Dennis & Anita, graduated from Gannon University/Hamot School of Anesthesia, in Erie, PA on May 5, 2023, with a master's degree in nurse anesthesia. Jackie passed her Boards on June 10, 2023, and is now a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, (CRNA). Jackie has accepted a position with St. Clair Hospital in Bethel Park, (Pittsburgh), PA.

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Special Mentions

- **Josh Ristau**, husband of Danielle, joined the Pennsylvania National Guard in 2021. Josh is in the 1/107th Field Artillery unit, the same unit as Sgt. Matthew Vybiral Jr.
- **Anita & Dennis Ostrowski** celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on October 22, 2022.
- **Judy Torbin** was awarded Macy's Top Sales of 2022 totaling 446K, as well as a Top Star Rewards 2022 for most applications processed in March 2023.
- **Officer Joseph F. Ostrowski** passed his Sgt's exam for the City of Pittsburgh Police in March 2023. Joe, stationed in Zone 1, is on the list for future promotions.
- **Ken Vybiral, Sr.**, was appointed to 1st Ward Commissioner of Reserve Township, in May 2023.
- **Matt Vybiral, Jr.**, Sergeant E5 of the 1/107th Field Artillery unit, PA Army National Guard was deployed to Africa in May 2023. Matt is a gunner of the 777 Howitzer, named Clementine.
- **Josh Ristau**, Private 1st Class, same unit as Matt Jr., above, was deployed to Africa, May 2023. Josh is a cannoneer, his gun is named Crazy Horse.
- **Matt Vybiral, Sr.**, passed the "deployment flag" to his son Matt Vybiral, Jr., and his son-in-law, Josh Ristau, to be flown in Africa on Memorial Day, May 2023 – exactly 20 years after Matt Sr., first flew it. This is the same U.S. American flag that was flown in 2003, Baghdad, Iraq by Matt Sr.; in 2009, Taji, Iraq by Eric Klemm, and in 2019, Korea by J.T. Malcolm.

Promotion

- ♥ **Anita Louise Ostrowski** was promoted to Administrative Assistant 2 in the Executive Office of the Department of Human Services, September 2022.

Birthday Milestones

- ♥ Dan Vybiral celebrated 65th October 2, 2022
- ♥ Dorothy Bielski celebrated 92nd October 15, 2022
- ♥ Amanda Davis celebrated 35th October 27, 2022
- ♥ David Vybiral celebrated 40th November 18, 2022
- ♥ Ruth Simon celebrated 91st December 23, 2022
- ♥ Paul Weiss celebrated 45th December 26, 2022
- ♥ Michelle Klemm celebrated 45th January 10, 2023
- ♥ Karen Weiss celebrated 45th April 25, 2023
- ♥ Somer Weiss celebrated 45th May 19, 2023

Officers:

President – Cathy Adams.
Vice President – Cherie Lou Hoolihan
Treasurer – Michael Vybiral

Secretary – Adam Vybiral
Historian – Anita Ostrowski

Upcoming election in 2023

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Change of Address: Please be sure to notify the Secretary of any new address changes. Jackie Ostrowski and Aldo Marini moved to Birdland, in Scott Twp., PA in April 2023.

Respectfully submitted, Anita L. Ostrowski, Historian
45th Simon Family Reunion, Pittsburgh, PA – Sat., August 5, 2023
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Prize Winners:

Reunion 2019

Lottery tree: Denny Ostrowski

Sellers: Ken & Mary Lou (\$5 each ticket)

Chinese Auction

Sellers: Cherie & Erin (20 tickets \$5)

Prize table

Sellers: Cathy & Jack (20 tickets \$5)

Three \$100 Cash prizes

Reunion 2023

Prize table & Chinese Auction

Sellers: Cathy Adams & Cherie &

Mackenzie Hoolahan (20 tickets \$5)

Three \$100 Cash prizes

Mary Lou Scheer

Amy Robinson

Heaven Vybiral

(COVID-19) Reunion 2020

Three \$100 Cash prizes

Judy Torbin (not present)

Jeff Vybiral

Heaven Vybiral

Reunion 2021

Three Lottery trees:

Adam Vybiral

Scott Hughes

Amy Robinson

Three \$100 Cash prizes:

Jackie Ostrowski

Mary Lou Scheer

Judy Torbin

Reunion 2022

Prize table (20 tickets \$5)

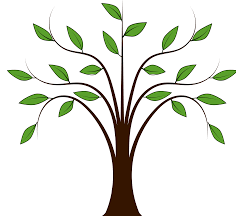
Three \$100 Cash prizes:

Patty Lemro

Tom Vybiral

Taylor Vybiral

Visit our Simon Family Reunion website



Go to the **Guestbook Tab** on the website to submit stories & remembrances or send photos (old or new) for consideration to Kayla Malcolm Vybiral or Anita Ostrowski. Go to the **Contacts Tab**. Website: <http://www.simonfamilyreunion.org>.

For all other family happenings, including birthdays, graduations, family holidays, etc. Kayla Vybiral and Taylor Vybiral volunteered to start and update a Facebook Page.

Additions *to 2022-2023 Historian's Report*

The following additions were brought to attention of the historian, the during the reading of the Historian's Report, on Sat., August 5, 2023:

Graduations

- ♥ Belated congratulations to the Vybiral triplets, daughters of David Vybiral, granddaughters of Tom & Karen Vybiral and Kathy Vybiral, great granddaughters of Frank & Louise Vybiral, on their High School Graduation last June 2023.
 - Isabella Rose and Olivia Kathleen Vybiral graduated on June 1, 2023, from Quaker Valley High School in Leetsdale, PA.
 - Juliette Veronica Vybiral graduated from Our Lady of the Sacred Heart (OLSH), a Catholic H.S. on June 4, 2023 in Coraopolis, PA. Jules received an athletic scholarship, Seton Hill University (SHU) Catholic HS Alum Grant, Elizabeth Ann Seton (EAS) Scholarship Program and a Housing Grant from Seton Hill University.
- ♥ Patty & John Lemro celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on April 17, 2023.

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Engagements: not for announcement

- *Sgt. Matthew Vybiral, Jr., & Kathryn Blauser (were engaged Christmas 2021). Wedding date September 2, 2023.*
- *John William Simon, son of Jack & Kathy Simon, engaged to Chelsie Suprano, 2022*
- *Jackie Ostrowski & Aldo Marini, daughter of Anita & Denny Ostrowski, granddaughter of Frank & Louise Vybiral, were engaged to be wed on March 18, 2023.*

Weddings:

- ♥ **Sgt. Matthew Vybiral, Jr.,** (of Pittsburgh, PA) & **Kathryn Blauser** (of Tionesta, PA), son of Matt Vybiral and Gail Vybiral, grandson of Frank & Louise Vybiral, were married at Venus United Evangelical Church on September 2, 2023, in Venus, PA.
- ♥ **Taylor Vybiral & Trevor Skellie** (both of Erie, PA), daughter of Adam Vybiral & Missy Vybiral, granddaughter of (Frank) & Phyllis Vybiral, (great granddaughter of Frank & Louise Vybiral), were married on September 23, 2023, in Erie, PA.
- ♥ **Christopher Holmes & Madison Lee "Madi" McIntyre**, son of Linda Holmes, grandson of Rusty & Dorothy Ehrenfeld, (great grandson of Russ & Gen Ehrenfeld), were married on September 30, 2023, in Prospect, PA.
- ♥ **Daniel Vybiral and Scott Hughes**, who celebrated their 25th anniversary in October 2022, were officially wed in a ceremony with District Justice Wright (North Side), in Pittsburgh, PA on October 20, 2023.

New Babies

Baby boy Ristau, son of Danielle & Josh Ristau, granddaughter of Matt & Joy Vybiral, (and Gail Vybiral), great granddaughter of Frank & Louise Vybiral, was born on... in *New Castle, PA*. (due date October 14, 2023).