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8-8 Tie, Third in 30 Years

Young Bucks / Silver Bucks

TURKEY BOWL NEWSLETTER





Ski'n Ian Nicolls to "Game Breaker" Bruce Nicolls for 6 Silver Buck points.



Bobby "Roadrunner" Nicolls ran out of real estate on this first half sweep.



This pass from Jamm'n Jake Grover was tipped into the hands of an eager "Edgerrin" James Bundy for 6 Young Buck points, tying the score at 8-8.

Nicolls Field, New Castle PA, Nov 24, 2012. A light snow covered the ground as the players ran onto Nicolls Field for the historic Turkey Bowl XXX. Starting on defense for the Young Bucks was Jamm'n Jake Grover, Cody "Bear" Grover, Jeffrey "Bulldog" Grover, Bobby "Roadrunner" Nicolls, Danny "Bronco" Nicolls, "Edgerrin" James Bundy, Jonathan Speedy Bundy, Defender Joel Bundy, PJ "Double Trouble" Yoder and Alex "The Great" Blucker. The Silver Buck offense was "Wild" Bill Nicolls, "Game Breaker" Bruce Nicolls, "Too Small" Dale Nicolls, "Big Boy" Bob Nicolls, Greg "Bubby" Bundy, Ski'n Ian Nicolls, Emilie "Buckeye" Delo, Jonathan "Illini" Wildt,

Marieta "Happy Feet" Nicolls, Joshua "Attacker" Bundy and Jacob "Darter" Bundy. Hammerin' Hank Grover officiated this thirtieth year of family football.

The Silver offense sputtered on the first series as evidenced by 4 straight incompletions. Ski'n Ian Nicolls punted and Joshua "Attacker" **Bundy** hustled down the field to pin the Young Bucks on their own 15. That set up the first Young Buck offensive play where there was a fumble in the end zone and Emilie "Buckeye" **Delo** recovered the ball for a safety. The Silvers jumped to an early 2-0 lead. The Youngs free kicked to the Silvers, but "Edgerrin" James Bundy stopped the momentum when he intercepted the Silver third down pass. The Youngs did not capitalize and turned the ball over to the Silvers on downs at the Silver 45. Ski'n Ian **Nicolls** completed a pass to **Jonathan** "Illini" Wildt at the Young 35. After two Ski'n Ian runs, the Silvers had marched to the Young 5. On 5th down, Ski'n lan threw to "Game Breaker" Bruce Nicolls who snagged it in the end zone for an 8-0 Silver lead. The half was nearing the end when Jamm'n Jake **Grover** picked off a pass at the Young 5. Bobby "Roadrunner" Nicolls drove the Youngs down the field to the Silver 5, completing passes to "Edgerrin" James Bundy, Danny "Bronco" Nicolls and Jamm'n Jake Grover.

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Thanksgiving For:

- Don and Bev for hosting another great Nicolls reunion.
- Chef Barb for her great meals.
- Everyone who contributed articles.
- Marty Bundy, Beth Nicolls, Cheri Lewis, Suzy Yoder and Kathy Nicolls for the photos.
- Jim Ridge for taking the HD video of the game.



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Marieta "Happy Feet" Nicolls was named the Silver Buck MVP.



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The Silver defense stopped them on 5th down when "Big Boy" Bob Nicolls swatted the Young pass to the ground. The Silver offense tried to get some breathing room by running out of trouble. Jonathan Speedy Bundy and Defender Joel Bundy cornered the Silver runner in the end zone for a safety. The Youngs had narrowed the Silver lead at the half to 8-2.

E. "Jumping" J. Nicolls entertained the capacity crowd at half-time by playing the bag pipes.

The second half started out with the defenses dominating. Danny "Bronco" Nicolls, Jonathan "Illini" Wildt, Bobby "Roadrunner" Nicolls and Ski'n Ian Nicolls all picked off errant aerials. One series did see four straight completions. Bobby "Roadrunner" Nicolls completed passes to Jamm'n Jake Grover, Danny "Bronco" Nicolls, Jeffrey "Bulldog" Grover and Alex "The Great" Blucker. Time was running out for the Young Bucks. The high

noon bells were about to chime. After Jeffrey "Bulldog" Grover fair caught a Silver punt, the Youngs went to work. Jamm'n Jake ran the ball to the Silver 45. Bobby "Roadrunner" connected with Danny "Bronco" who set up the Youngs at the Silver 10. Danny "Bronco" recorded his second catch of the series, this time with Jamm'n Jake at the helm. The Youngs were knocking at the door on the Silver 1 yard line. On fifth down, the pass from Jamm'n Jake was batted away by a Silver Buck, but "Edgerrin" James Bundy alertly grabbed the deflected pigskin in the end zone to tie the game at 8-8. The Silver defense stiffened and stopped the two point conversion. With time running out, the game was now tied. Each team had one last series to break the tie, but neither offense was successful. After thirty years of Turkey Bowls, the game ended in the series' third tie. PJ "Double Trouble" **Yoder** was the MVP for the Young Bucks. Marieta "Happy Feet" Nicolls was the MVP for the Silver Bucks. DEN

Women of the Turkey Bowl

Women have played a key role in the thirty year history of the Turkey Bowl. How good is your memory?

- Who was the first female to play in the Turkey Bowl? Which team and what year?
- 2. Who were the first females from
- the baby boomers to play in the Turkey Bowl? Which team and what year?
- 3. Who was the first female to play for the Young Bucks and what year?
- 4. Who was the first female to

- score points in the Turkey Bowl? What year and how many points?
- 5. How many females have played in the Turkey Bowl? Name them.
- 6. How many females have been MVP? Name them.

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Three 2013 Weddings

February 15, San Diego, CA

James Bundy & Rebecca (Becca) Star from San Diego became Mr. and Mrs. Bundy. The other six from the Bundy family (Greg, Marty, Jonathan, Joel, Joshua and Jacob) flew to San Diego, California to witness the wedding! James just finished up some training in Pensacola, Florida and he and Becca will be moving to Maryland where James will be stationed at Ft. Mead.

Based on emails from Marty Bundy

September 7, Pittsburgh, PA

Emilie Ridge and Micah Delo became Mr. and Mrs. Delo. The ceremony was held at First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh. In 2008 Micah was the Young Buck Turkey Bowl XXVI MVP.



November 9, Columbus, OH

Lindsay and Bill are now Mr. and Mrs. Rumple, and are honeymooning in Hawaii. Brutus Buckeye made a surprise appearance and danced with the bride after husband Bill, a former Brutus, and the current Brutus did handstands and other moves together. Aunt Mary and Brutus had a photo op as well.

By Carol Kauffman













News from Columbus, OH

Kyle will be moving to New Jersey right after Thanksgiving!! He will be designing boots again, and although they will not have the Buckeye logo, they will be nice boots for fishing, hunting, or just sloshing around in the mud. So get your orders in now ;-)!!

May 11, 2013 at the Big 10 Championships in Jessie Owens Stadium, Bobby Nicolls finished 7th in the Men's 3,000-Meter Steeplechase earning his Minnesota team 2 points. Greg, Marty, Joshua and Jacob Bundy cheered him on along with Dale Nicolls.

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Memories of Geneva-on-the-Lake By Hank Grover

Emails from July of 2008

Dale: Hank and Gayle, in July of 1958 my Dad took film of your family, Grandma and our family at "the Grover's Trailer" on Lake Erie. Do you remember where that was on Lake Erie? Thanks, Dale

Hank: That trailer was in Geneva-on-the-Lake. It's my first memory of

Uncle John. We were at the beach and he pushed me way out (it seemed like) into Lake Erie on an inner tube. As we were cruising along Uncle John heard a leak in the tube. He mentioned it to me and then we just kept paddling out. I remember being so afraid that the inner tube would deflate. Fortunately, I was with a Navy guy and I calmed myself by figuring that if he

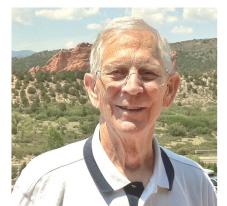
wasn't concerned about it I didn't have much to be afraid of.

Uncle John: I remember that day at the lake. I think we drove Grandma up from Poland and spent the day on the sand near the trailer. Grandma and Ruth Ann probably found a nearby Bingo game, I'll bet! Take care - Uncle John

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Uncle John Lewis

By Bob Nicolls



Some remembrances of Uncle John in the last few years.

I corresponded, called and visited with Uncle John a fair amount in the last few years. We'd invariably discuss sports as a starting point. He was always fully informed on anything my alma mater, Iowa, was up to in all the major sports. Then, when he found that I had an interest in a particular sport, he'd start following that too. As an example, last year we wrestled Baker, his alma mater. He had found the schedule on the lowa site, then did some research on Baker and let me know which weights Baker would be competitive in.

Football might have been his greatest interest. Naturally, he was knowledgeable on any and all teams in both the NFL and college.

He visited CO with Cheri after Aunt Ruth's death (he

always referred to her as Ruth Ann). We did some 4 wheeling and looking around the Salida area. One of our conversations was about his athletic career at Baker, to which he was overly modest. He participated in field events

and ran some sprints. As I recall he was a 49 quarter miler, which is quite good when not your specialty, that being the high jump. We laughed about the both of us having to run the mile relay at the end of a meet when all those specialist bailed out and the coach would invariably grab the closest guy to fill out the 4 man relay.

Several years ago, a friend sent me a picture of a carrier group steaming thru the Ocean. I forwarded it to him. His reply was simply, "That is an awesome display with the ability to Project Power".

While in CO, I asked him about his Navy days. One assignment was in Japan where he ran a Supply and Refitting depot. Any and all Navy ships would pull in and require supplies, repairs and parts. The most difficult of these assignments was to have all the parts

available for any ship the Navy had. Some parts were manufactured in Japan, but not all. Those that came from the States had a long lead time for delivery. There would be hell to pay if all the necessary parts were not available to make repairs. I marveled at the logistics to have a reasonable inventory of supplies available at all times and the pre-computer stone age system with which to work with. I then asked if there were many times when he ran out of parts which were immediately needed. He replied with a sly smile, "Almost never, but when it happened we "made do".

There's more of course, but I think you all know already the type of man he was.

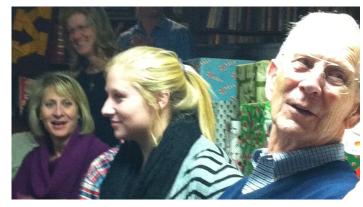
I'll remember Uncle John as unfailing gracious, knowledgeable, gentlemanly, and modest. I was indeed fortunate to have him as an Uncle.



Uncle John in his Baker University football uniform.



PJ "Double Trouble" Yoder following in the footsteps of his grandfather, "Crazy Legs" Lewis. PJ's team had an 8-2 record this season and won their conference championship.



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