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Visitors from Germany

More than 50 years ago I and my friend Bill Griffin were friends with a man from the village of Brackenheim, which was about 10 kilometers from the Battery. I say was because the Battery is no longer there. His name is Uli (Ulrich) Pfingstler and we are all just about the same age.

Actually, Bill and Uli were already friends and he introduced him to me. After I left Germany I lost contact with Uli, but he and Bill continued to correspond, but as time went by even they lost contact.

Then about two years ago Bill and Uli resumed contact, and then I was reintroduced back into the loop. As it turned out Uli and his wife Gesila were going planning a trip to America and a visit to both Bill and his wife Judy, as well as to me as well.

Both Bill and I had a great time with Uli and Gisela. They are enjoyable people and are great fun to be with. After they returned home Bill placed an article in his local newspaper, and we offer that article for you all to read.

Also, Uli has contributed a number articles that are in the “Archives” section under the Kleingartach heading of the navigation bar at the top of each web page. One is a brief History of Germany, and the other is about The Zabergäu Valley , or Tal, that runs all the way to Brackenheim. Uli has also offered many historical insights to the area we all lived in for several years.



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This Week in Irwin History

Week of Oct. 30-Nov. 5

5 years ago

• The Irwin County Red Hots cheerleading team won the region title.

10 years ago

• By seven votes, liquor by the drink failed to pass in Ocilla.
• Candidates for city council Allan Smith and Tyrone Smith tied, resulting in a run-off, but Tyrone Smith, who eventually won, would have won the original election by one vote had an absentee ballot not been counted. The vote by Becky Baltes, who died the morning of the election, would not have been counted if she had died before the polls opened, but she died at 7:25 a.m., 25 minutes after they opened.

15 years ago

• During the Georgia Sweet Potato Festival, a gunman invaded a home, assaulted a man and woman, and barricaded himself inside until the Ocilla Police Department defused the situation.

• Julian Connell, former publisher and editor of *The Ocilla Star*, died at 75. He was also manager of Pineland Press.

20 years ago

• The first elections for the Irwin County Board of Education were held.

25 years ago

• Raymond Harris was elected as a city alderman for the first time, and Mayor David Smith was re-elected.

• Local GTE customers received improved services when the phone company changed from copper wiring to fiber optic cable.
• Arson was suspected in a fire that demolished the Irwin County school system special education annex.

30 years ago

• Doris Tucker Kayse became the first woman ever elected to the Ocilla City Council. Joe Rogers was also re-elected and Tom Clayton won unopposed.

~ Letter to the Editor ~

Still pleading for answers about Tara Grinstead

It's hard to believe it has been 8 years since Tara disappeared and we still don't know where she is, what happened to her, or who is responsible. Somebody has to know but has chosen to remain silent. But why... don't you care that people loved her and are hurting every single day of their lives? Don't you want the peace of mind that can be yours if you do the right thing and come forward? What would you want somebody to do if your loved one was missing?

We go to bed every night wondering where Tara is and we wake up every morning with the same question. Eight years lived one day at the time under these circumstances is a very long time. Time has allowed us to find ways to cope with our loss, but time does not take away the hurt, or the sadness, or the desire to hear her voice, or to hug her again.

Through the years there have been stories in the news about missing people who were found alive; people that had been presumed deceased by almost everyone. We all remember the story of Jaycee Dugard, who had been missing for 18 years and was found alive; and the story this year about Amanda Berry, Gina DeJesus and Michelle Knight, who were held captive for years by Ariel Castro in Cleveland, OH, but they also were found alive.

Unless we are given concrete evidence that Tara is no longer alive, we, too will always hold onto hope that maybe she is out there somewhere too. How can we give up until we know for sure? We can't and we won't.

There are so many Bible verses that inspire us, but one passage in particular always comes to mind. It is Phil 4:6-7



ICHHS history teacher Tara Grinstead did not report for work Monday, Oct. 24, 2005 and her whereabouts are still unknown.

which says: Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. If you do this, you will experience God's peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand.

Thank you for all of your prayers and support since Tara disappeared, but as you pray for Tara to be found and for all of us who love her to stay strong and find peace, please also join us in praying that the heart of the person who knows what happened to her will be changed and that they will find the courage to let somebody know.

God already knows where Tara is, he knows exactly what happened to her, and he knows who is responsible. He can reveal this if he chooses to. We don't know if he will or not, but we do trust him, and we know that in everything he does, his timing is always perfect.

So for now, we begin another day of praying, trusting God, believing, and waiting for the answers to come.

Billy and Connie Grinstead

From Where I Sit

By Bob Tribble

Congress should pass Freedom to Pray Act

Dr. Robert Grant Executive Director of Christian Voice is circulating a "Right to Worship" Petition to be sent to elected officials in Washington in an effort to stop Hillary Clinton and the anti-Christian radicals in the ACLU from getting their way.



If they achieve their goal Dr. Grant says that we Christians will be forbidden to speak, pray or worship in public. Think about this, thirty years ago it did not seem possible that prayer in our schools would be outlawed. Ten years ago it sounded crazy to think that Nativity Scenes would be banned. Who would have believed that five years ago we would have to think twice about saying "Merry Christmas." But all of these things have happened.

Grant says that the ACLU and Hillary Clinton have teamed up to launch their biggest crusade of hatred yet and are attempting to silence Christians in our country forever. These attacks are not just a random act but are a part of an attack on our faith that has been planned all along.

When Hillary Clinton posed for pictures outside churches her friends in the ACLU were ready to strike another blow. The ACLU is busy day and night and the final battle will take place in Washington in the U.S. Congress where we need to convince our leaders in the Senate to pass The Freedom to Pray Act. Just as the name says this legislation will protect our religious freedom and stop Ms. Clinton and the ACLU from taking the final step towards silencing Christians in America forever.

We Christians were not able to stop the ACLU when they told our children they could not pray in school. They were not stopped when they were able to take away the Ten Commandments and now they are doing all they can to take away our right to Worship as we choose and we cannot stand by doing nothing and let that happen.

Hundreds of letters and phone calls to our Congressmen and Senators in Washington is our best hope to stop the anti-Christian ACLU. These letters and calls will be telling our elected officials that Christianity is still important in our great nation and that our Religious Freedom will not be given up without a fight.

We cannot let the ACLU get away with spreading their untruths. Getting away with

getting rid of the Ten Commandments was their biggest victory so far. With untruths and dirty money they were able to ban God's Law from public display and now they are coming closer to silencing more Christians in America than ever before. Congress needs to pass the Freedom to Pray Act before the end of this session. Without a doubt this is our best hope for now.

We have enemies out there spreading untruths that most Christians do not really care about this anymore. This is our time to stand up against those untruths and for our Right to Worship God. We have gone from a Christian nation over the past few years to one that some of our leaders in Washington would have no problem with silencing us Christians in America forever.

It does not seem that things could get much worse than they presently are in our United States of America, however the ACLU seems to have mountains of money and a bottomless budget they use in an attempt to bully us Christians into the shadows and we simply cannot let that happen. Pray with me daily that the leadership of this nation will return our nation to God very soon.

Outraged over outrage

By DUSTY VASSEY

In this column, I'm going to talk about the world's most useless emotion — outrage. Fear leads us to stay away from harmful things, passion leads us to fun and excitement, but when a heart pumps with outrage... what exactly are you supposed to accomplish?

Well, sure, there's times when people should be outraged and when people should be fired for doing outrageous things. Anthony Wiener or any number of amorously amoral politicians come to mind. Certainly elected and other government officials who are supposed to represent the people as a whole should be held to some standard.

But things have gone too far.

This has been on my mind for a while in our politically correct world, but the latest example to stoke my ire was about the British soccer team Manchester United. The team published a newsletter with the letters MUFC (Manchester United Football Club) arranged in a sideways square shape.

Last week, the club issued an apology because some really creative-minded and thin-skinned people thought it looked like a swastika, the well known emblem of Nazi Germany. If the team had used a swastika,

there would be reason for something like outrage, but the problem is... it looks nothing like a swastika. Only in the very vaguest way does it look swastika-like. You would have to want it to look like one. The symbol for the Red Cross looks much more like a swastika... and the symbol for the Red Cross looks nothing like a swastika!

Do a Google search of "Manchester United" and "Nazi" and see if it looks like a swastika to you. Vaguely, maybe.

Once upon a time, swastikas were symbols of good luck, and they were frequently used as sports logos before World War II. I can understand how the evil of the Nazis could change the world's perception about wearing swastikas, but now the PC world wants us to stop wearing anything that looks remotely like one?

There go the letters K and X. Can't use those anymore. From now on, I'll have to read The Uncanny (CENSORED)-Men comics at breakfast while eating a bowl of Special (CENSORED).

How about these examples of outrage:

• Several stores in America and Britain recently pulled Halloween costumes which depicted deranged maniac psycho killers because they were deemed insensitive to

people with mental health problems. If you're someone who can't tell the difference between your friend with bipolar disorder and Hannibal Lecter, maybe you have a more serious disorder than your friend does. And what's next? Ban every costume that's possibly offensive to some group? No more priests, naughty nurses, witches or rednecks? Eventually, we'll all have to go as ourselves for Halloween because it's the only costume which will certainly not offend anyone, unless you're already offensive.

• Target had to pull a dress from its line this year because a plus-size dress was labeled "Manatee Gray." The name of the color caused outrage because, well, manatees look kind of fat. Maybe the store should have changed the color to "Hippo Gray?" "Elephant Gray?" "Armadillo Gray?" Sorry, they're aren't a lot of attractive animals with gray skin. OK, admittedly, the same color dress in regular sizes was called "Dark Heather Gray" but was there really need for an uproar?

So yeah, I'm a little outraged over all the outrage. I just don't see what it accomplishes, aside from keeping Miley Cyrus in the news.

~ Letter to the Editor ~

Bill Griffin shares recent visit from German friends

In sharing with the community the account of a very enjoyable visit from German friends, I submit to *The Star* the following article.

Ulrich Pfingstler is from Brackenheim, Germany and our friendship goes back to 1959. In 1959 I was assigned to "Charlie Battery 3rd Missile Battalion 71st Air Defense" on top of a mountain in the community of Brackenheim.

Soon after being assigned to the unit, I met Uli and we became friends. I had the pleasure of meeting Uli's family and was often invited into their home to have a meal. His mother was an excellent cook and she prepared some famous German dishes.

After my tour of duty in Germany ended in 1961 and I was assigned duty back in the states, Uli and I kept in touch. In 1979 he came to the states for a one month tour in which time he spent the first week with me. Afterwards, he traveled across the country to San Diego to visit friends and relatives, taking in some sites along the way.

It was my good pleasure to have Uli visit me again this year, 2013, 34 years since his last visit. This time his lovely wife, Gisela came with him. They departed Stuttgart in



Gisela & Uli Pfingstler

ternational Airport early Sunday morning, 9-15, after a 10-hour flight arrived at the Atlanta airport in the late afternoon, spent the night in Atlanta and arrived at my house mid afternoon on Monday.

That evening, after a fabulous southern supper prepared by my wife, Judy, we settled in to look at pictures made in 1959-1961. I had 35mm slides flashed on the screen, Uli had a photo album. These pictures brought back many good memories from the good old days and much to talk about. After a cou-

ple hours of conversation we retired for the night.

In that Gisela is a "Gone with the Wind" fan, on our second day we went to the Pebble Hill Plantation near Thomasville. There, we drove through the giant oak tree-lined lanes, passing pastures with farm animals grazing. The buildings and grounds reflect what the old south was like in the *Gone with the Wind* era.

Our third day we drove around the local area looking at the crops grown here that are not grown in Germany. They were interested in corn, peanuts and cotton and could see how the U.S. is able to export so many agricultural products, feed and clothe much of the world because of its bountiful yield. Gisela was interested in seeing the cotton in that it is a material used in making clothes.

Our fourth day we ventured to north Georgia. Along the way we passed through the town Madison. Madison was spared Sherman's torch on his burn and destroy march from Atlanta to Savannah. Madison has some remarkable old houses from the *Gone with the Wind* times. We stopped there and toured some of the old houses.

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Obituaries

Josie A. Holibaugh

Josie Aycock Holibaugh, 72, of Fitzgerald, died Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at Life Care Center in Fitzgerald.

Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Friday, October 25, at The Paulk Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Danny Gay and the Rev. Harris Johnson officiating. Music was provided by Connie Spurlock. Interment followed in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Robert Hollingsworth, Tony Aycock, Jeffery Kite, Berry Aycock, Doug Aycock and Robert Hart, Jr. served as pallbearers.

Mrs. Holibaugh was born November 22, 1940 in Irwin County to the late Shelby Dock and Louisa McLeod Aycock. A 1958 graduate of Fitzgerald High School, she received her nursing training from Crawford W. Long Hospital in Atlanta.

While in Atlanta, she met her husband, James P. "Jim" Holibaugh. They lived in Ohio for a short time and returned to Fitzgerald in 1968. She was a former registered nurse for the Colony Home and worked in the operating rooms at Tift Regional Hospital and Dorminy Medical Center. Nursing was her ministry and she had a deep love for her patients and those with whom she worked.

Mrs. Holibaugh was a member of Prospect Baptist Church, where she formerly taught the Junior Sunday school class and helped coordinate the card ministry and flower ministry. She loved reading as well as shopping.

She is survived by her brother: Ronny and Clarice Aycock of Fitzgerald; her sister: Leta Faye Kite of Fitzgerald and friend: Danny Willingham of Mystic. Several nephews, great-nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Jim Holibaugh; two brothers, Herman C. Aycock and Kenneth S. Aycock; and a sister, Judy L. Aycock.

The family suggests those desiring to send memorials may send them to Prospect Baptist Church, 350 Dickson Mill Pond Road, Fitzgerald, GA 31750.

The Paulk Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Thomas E. Day

Thomas E. "Bo" Day, 87, of Fitzgerald, died Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at Coffee Regional Medical Center in Douglas.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, October 25, at The Paulk Funeral Home Chapel, Fitzgerald, with the Rev. Jimmy Cagle and the Rev. Robert Chaudoin officiating. Interment followed in the Salem Cemetery, Ben Hill County.

Joseph Culpepper, Sean Stevenson, Mitch Bostick, Michael Seagroves, Sam Roberts and Ryan Troupe served as pallbearers.

Music was provided by the trio Leighann Griffin on mandolin, George Martin on guitar and Larry Latham on guitar. Mr. Day was born January 7, 1926 in Ben Hill County to the late Homer Garfield and Ethel Mercier Day. He attended school in Mystic and served his country honorably in the United States Army during World War II.

He was a retired sheet metal specialist for Robins Air Force Base, and formerly lived in Bonaire and Winter Haven, FL. He returned to Ben Hill County in 1990 and was a member of West Side Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years: Corene Holton Day of Fitzgerald; daughter and son-in-law: Linda Kay Stevenson and Royce of Fitzgerald; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and two sisters: Mary Ruth Walker of Fitzgerald and Thelma Laminack of Bonaire.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Ronnie E. Day and one sister.

The Paulk Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Leta 'Faye' Vickers

Leta Faye Vickers, 77, died Friday, October 25, 2013 at her home with her family in Irwinville.

She was born September 18, 1936 in Berrien County to the late Troy and Marietta (Musselwhite) Vickers. She was also preceded in death by her brother, Kenneth Vickers.

Her memory will forever be treasured by her children, Tony Cantrell, Angela Cantrell and Vickie (Cantrell) Warner; grandchildren, Leta (Golden) Coussens and her husband Chris Coussens, Kegan Warner and Briana Warner; great-grandchildren, Chaim and Hosanna; sisters, Patsy (Vickers) Spradlin and Joyce (Vickers) Jones; brother, Virgil Vickers; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and anyone that ever had the great fortune to meet her.

A Memorial Service will be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 2, at Irwinville Baptist Church, Irwinville. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Faye's honor to Blue Gray Community Hospice in Fitzgerald.

Ruth S. Dean

Ruth Shepherd Dean, 93, of Fitzgerald, died Saturday, October 26, 2013 at her residence.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, November 2, at West Side Baptist Church with the Rev. Jimmy Cagle, the Rev. Robert McDearmid and the Rev. Robert Chaudoin officiating. Interment will follow in Enigma Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 7-9 Friday evening at the funeral home.

Mamie Ruth Dean was born June 13, 1920 in Turner County to the late Jessie Collier and Mary Lizzie Reeves Shepherd. She attended school in Mystic and received her nursing training at Ben Hill-Irwin Tech. She lived across the United States during her husband's military career and was an Air Force wife for over 50 years.

Mrs. Dean was a nurse for Dr. Cornwell as well as an LPN at Ben Hill County Hospital and Dorminy Medical Center.

She accepted Christ as her Savior at the former Kennedy Memorial Baptist Church and was a long-time member of West Side Baptist Church. She formerly taught Sunday school for over 35 years, was active in the WMU, served as G.A. director and was a member of the Friendship Sunday school class and the Ladies' Fellowship.

Mrs. Dean enjoyed cooking and canning vegetables, gardening, and growing flowers. She sang with the Bernhardt singers and loved being with her family and going to church. Survivors include her son: J. David Dean of Valdivia, Chile and a daughter: Nancy D. Streat of Fitzgerald; five grandchildren: Andi Bowen of Fitzgerald; Jesse Allen Streat of Augusta, Sgt. Kasey Dean Streat, USMC, Okinawa, Japan, Allen Nelson Dean of Suwanee and Ashley Catherine Dean of Norcross; three

great-grandchildren: Sam Bowen, Will Bowen and Ben Bowen; and one sister: Thelma Barrentine of Enigma.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, TSgt John William Dean, USAF (Ret); three brothers, Jessie Shepherd, Paul Shepherd and James Shepherd; and four sisters, Elizabeth Shepherd, Grace Newton, Christine Graham and Doris Henderson.

The Paulk Funeral Home, Fitzgerald, is in charge of arrangements.

Edna E. Sims

Edna E. Sims, 91, of Hernando, Florida, died Sunday, October 27, 2013 at Arbor Trail Rehab and Skilled Nursing Center in Inverness, FL.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, October 31, at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness, FL. The family will receive friends Wednesday evening from 6 to 8, October 30, at Dobies Funeral Home, Hudson Chapel, in Inverness, FL.

A local funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, November 1, at the Paulk Funeral Home Chapel in Ocilla with the Pastor Joe Sims and Kelly Looper officiating. The interment will follow in the Ocilla Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 7 to 9, Thursday evening at the funeral home in Ocilla.

Mrs. Sims was born, November 2, 1921 in Dublin to the late George William and Lollie Daniels Edwards. She was former owner and operator of a furniture store and was a member of Cornerstone Baptist Church in Inverness, FL.

Survivors include three sons: John and Pat Sims, Joseph and Sarah Sims, III and Mike and Nadine Sims; a sister: Frances McGinty; two sisters-in-law: Lena Sims and Genida Edwards; grandsons: Tim and Cindy Sims, Chad Sims, Michael Sims and John Sims, Jr.; granddaughters: Sonya and Trey Crawford and Michelle and Gene Josey; great-grandchildren: Garrett Sims, Greyson Sims, Jordan Josey, Turner Josey, Jahred Brass, Sarah Elizabeth and Jimmy Hart, Anna Katherine Sims, Chelsea Crawford, Courtney Crawford, Hailey Crawford, Riley Crawford and Lindsey Myers; and great-great-grandchildren: Lakai Hart, Jaide Wright and Brody Myers.

The Paulk Funeral Home,

Ocilla, is in charge of the arrangements.

Peggy A. Player

Peggy Alexander Player, 76, of Fitzgerald, died Monday, October 28, 2013 at her residence.

Memorial services will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, November 2, at The Paulk Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Mark Stone officiating. Dale Alexander and Sandra Alexander will give eulogies. The family will greet friends following the service.

Born October 13, 1937 in Irwin County to the late William Arthur and Lillian Whitley Alexander, Mrs. Player was a 1956 graduate of Irwin County High School. She was in the first graduating class of Birdwood Junior College in Thomasville, now known as Thomas University.

Mrs. Player worked at Haile's Drug Store and in the nursery at First Baptist Church. She was also a former librarian at the Carnegie Library in Fitzgerald, and was well known for her work in the children's department. She was a member of Brushy Creek Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sisters: Terri Alexander and Connie and Randy Smith, all of Fitzgerald; two brothers: Bobby Alexander and Jimmy Alexander, both of Fitzgerald; two sisters-in-law: Louise "Dee" Alexander of Canton and Sandra Alexander of Fitzgerald; and caregiver and cousin: Teresa Lawton of Panama City, FL.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Edward M. "Bucky" Player; two brothers, Warren Alexander and William Alexander; and a great-nephew, Chandler Alexander.

The Paulk Funeral Home, Fitzgerald, is in charge of arrangements.

Sip James Barton

Sip James Barton, 89, of Ocilla, died Saturday, October 19, 2013.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, October 24, at the Davis Funeral Home Chapel

with the Rev. Tommie Washington officiating. Friends of the family served as pallbearers. Interment was in Ocilla City Cemetery.

Born July 20, 1924 in Ocilla, Mr. Barton was drafted into the United States Army at an early age and served a four-year term. He was employed for many years with Irwin EMC.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Victoria Goolsby Barton; his two children, Gloria Johnson and LB Newsome; one sister and two brothers.

Survivors include two granddaughters: Andrea (Darryl) Blasingame and Carla Collins, both of Macon; two grandsons: Anthony (Cheryl) Johnson of Ocilla and Bryan (Terri) Johnson of Macon; and a host of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren as well as nieces and nephews.

Davis Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers, music told for Sumner services

Serving as pallbearers for the Tuesday, October 22 services for Herman Sumner were Chad Sumner, Lance Sumner, Casey Sumner, Sumner McWhorter, Ricky McWhorter, Jason Royal, J.T. Sumner, Casen Royal, Seth Royal, Cameron Sumner and Grayson Sumner.

Honorary pallbearers were Elder Elliott Tucker, O.L. Luke, Ray Roberts, Danny Coley, Tony Morgan, Bo Cox, Mike Ellis, Woodrow Woods, Joe Royal, Ronny Cantrell, Alan Martin, Allen Moore, Robert Fain, Oscar Roberts, Warren Mixon, Wayne Lewis, Marchman Howell, Jackie Bracewell, Cecil Rigdon, Seaborn Royal and Stanley Sumner.

The eulogy was given by Melanie Royal.

Music was provided by Andi McWhorter, pianist; Janet Sumner and Casey Sumner, soloists; Jarrett McWhorter and McKenzie McWhorter, who sang a duet; and the Frank Primitive Baptist Church Choir, which was led by Mary Lynn Bracewell.



Flynn recent speaker at Ocilla Lions Club

Lions 2nd Vice Governor, District O, Hannah Flynn made her official visit to the Ocilla Lions Club recently, greeting members with the favor and influence of current District Governor, and International President, too. Flynn challenged the Club to reverse the general trend of membership slide, and to look toward sponsoring a Leo Club in the local high school.

* German friends

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Our venture north led us to Helen, a German village situated in the north Georgia mountains. Uli and Gisela were pleasantly surprised at how Helen reflected southern Bavarian culture.

There we met with another old soldier, Charles Burgess and his wife, Mary. Charlie added to recalling memories of our days in Germany. Our rooms at the Helendorf Inn included patios on the bank of the Chattahoochee River.

Our 5th and 6th days belonged to Gisela. In Atlanta we toured Gone with the Wind sites, which included the Margaret Mitchell house, Margaret's grave site, Tara Museum and Stately Oaks. There were other Gone with the Wind sites we wanted to see, but because of heavy rain we got washed out.

On Sunday, our 7th day, Uli

and Gisela departed Atlanta for Yellowstone National Park. They went on to Seattle where they met another old Army buddy, Dean Jonasen. From there they drove down the coast to San Diego. On October 17th they departed L.A. International for their return trip back home.

We greatly enjoyed Uli's and Gisela's visit and extend to them best wishes.

Bill Griffin
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