

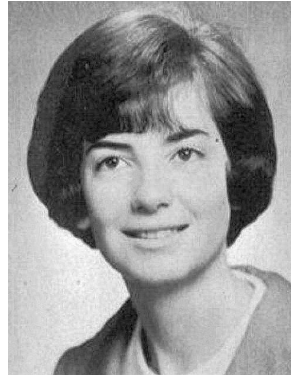
# Hicksville High School Newsletter

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## New Readers



**Jane Sharpe Bodner '65**



**Marguerite Thomas Hemgen '65**



**Audrey Glenn Schneider '67**



"Of course I'm smilin'...I've got the gold! Happy St. Patrick's Day!"

### ***New Reader Peggie Krummenacker Dimmler (St. Ignatius School)***

My name is Peggie Krummenacker Dimmler. I grew up on Sterling Place in Hicksville. All of my six brother and sisters attended St. Ignatius School and then went on to attend various high schools in the area. I saw Judy Wycoff's name on here and wanted to get in touch!

#### ***Peggie Krummenacker***

I got ahead of myself and didn't realize this site is only for HHS graduates! I thought it was for anyone who grew up in Hicksville. I still enjoy reading all the comments though.

Thanks, Peggie

Not at all, Peggie. This site is for HHS grads **AND FRIENDS** (and you qualify) of HHS grads. We will add you to our subscribers just as soon as I get a few minutes to catch up on my stack of morning emails.

Best, Henry

HixNews Systems



[TheBigHenry](#)

That's great. Thanks so much. All of my siblings are still on LI in the Hicksville area, but it's nice to read about others too. South Carolina is great but I still miss LI a lot!

Peggie

Dear Judy Wycoff,

Your friend from St Ignatius School, **Peggie Krummenacker**, would like to get in touch with you. We at HixNews are forwarding her request (enclosed below).

Peggie's email address is: [Peggie218@aol.com](mailto:Peggie218@aol.com)

Best, Henry

**David Burt '70**  
**Richard Romaneck '61**  
**Chris Yee '90**

# Thank you's

Thank you for the birthday card. It looks so good I want to head to the Sweet Shop and get a sundae. Thanks so much for thinking of me.

**Mary O'Shaughnessy Cleary '61**

**Editor Note...Mary and Diana Urena had birthdays the last week of January. They shared a birthday party at the Marriott that was attended by family and friends. Check it out in the picture gallery.**

Dear All,

Thank you so much for the beautiful Jackie Lawson Anniversary card. It was so sweet and cute, loved it. It is very nice of you to remember us.

Love,

**Joan (Siegl) '61 and Fred Rudolph**

Thank you so much for the birthday greetings. I love the Hicksville News. You all work very hard but you can see the result each month. Keep up the excellent work.

**Donna Schrimpe '66**

Thank you so much for this card. I enjoyed it very much. Stay warm up there. Or give me a call and I can sell you a house for a great price and a great view.

**Judy Tremel Wyatt '65**

Thank you all kindly for the birthday card and my best to all from HHS Class of '68.

**Larry Dagna '68**

Hey Bob and HixNews,

Amidst a cold and snow-laden landscape in Boston, your birthday wishes were a really nice surprise and most warmly appreciated.

**Arnie Gould '64**

Thank you so much for the birthday greetings. Very, very nice. Keep up the great work. Look forward to my newsletter every month.

**Terry Ferrin White 1954**

Thank you for the awesome B-Day card! Really enjoyed it! Keep up the great work on the Hicksville Newsletter! Respectfully,

**Vinny Leippert '81**

Thank you so much for the birthday card...Means alot..Was so cute. since my daughter is a chef.

Thank you again,

**Kathy McManus Bock '76**

Thanks Robert and the Hicksville Newsletter Gang for the great birthday card.

**Ed Osborne '56**



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Thank you's

Hi All,

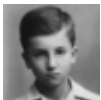
And thank you for the Anniversary card, and for the wonderful job you do publishing the newsletter. Marc and I met in 2000 and were married on Valentine's Day 2002 on Nantucket Island. It was like going back in time 200 years or so. We married in an old Whaling Church—just the two of us and our friend, an Episcopalian Minister, Nancy. We were both formerly Catholics—excommunication was our situation, both being divorced. Anyway, we are both very happy and busy. I am a full time RN for 40-1/2 years now (I work in an ER on Long Island) and Marc, retired from NY State Troopers in the early 90's, is now on his 4th career. He is a full time professor of chemistry and pharmacology. We sail, travel and cook together in our spare time. I am sorry the 40th reunion for the class of 1968 never happened—would have liked to attend. Continued success and good health to all of you.

**Lynn (McMorrow) O'Riordan HHS '68**

Bob,

Thank you very much for the birthday card. How did you know that I love chocolate? Attached is a pic of me and Trish at the HHS Class of 1959 50th-year Reunion in October 2009. This pic was taken exactly 60 years after my Green-card pic (which I use in my signature, below) was taken in 1949. Except for the beard, I haven't changed much, have I? Best,

**Henry, class of 1959**



[TheBigHenry](#)

[Remembrance in Spacetime](#)

**Editor Note.... you're still a handsome guy!!!**

#### STATISTICS

For those statisticians out there, the newsletter Alumni Bio page is viewed quite a lot. Check the dates and amounts...

#### Alumni Bios Views:

June 20, 2010	3,156
Nov 5, 2010	5,669
Nov 20, 2010	5,809
Jan 25, 2011	6,851

Also, at the Webshots photo pages, the Fifty Year 1960 class reunion photos have the honors. <http://community.webshots.com/user/robertcasale>  
**13, 589 views as of February 1, 2011.**



## more Thank you's

Bob, it's Eileen Toscano '59. I don't remember car club names but just wanted to take a moment today (iced in) to thank you and the editorial staff for all you do for Hicksville High School alumni. I so appreciate your effort, and the other editors.

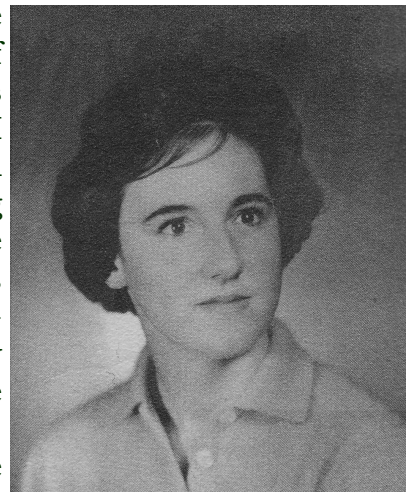
**Eileen Walter Toscano '59**

I would like to thank every one of the over 100 people who came out on Friday night, Feb. 4 to see and hear *Stardust's* show at the North Shore Library in Shoreham. A special heads up to my classmate, **Sharon Wyer Ward**, who came to the show; we hadn't seen each other since Hicksville HS, and got to catch up on some old times.

**Bob Masone ('62)**



Thanks for the update. I have been busy whacking icicles off my roof with a broom. It gives me a feeling of empowerment. I do it by opening a window on the second floor and pushing the broom out as though I were playing pool. OBTW, Pool is another skill I learned while going to HHS. I volunteer every year for the MS walk and I have



already committed for this year. The MS walk is on April 10<sup>th</sup>, the same day as the mini reunion on Long Island. So I won't be seeing you. The snow capital of the country is, you guessed it, Glastonbury CT, but we are starting to melt. I think I will miss backing out of my driveway through a tunnel of snow. It's always a surprise when you can finally see the road and the car speeding toward you. We are also losing our icicles. Now I'll have to find something to replace the joy of whacking them off. Happy Valentine's Day!

**Ginny Schmidt Tyler '61**

## Speaking of Ice...

A friend of the Hicksville Newsletter, **Dave Keyser**, went on a trip to Iceland and visited the Mýrdalsjökull glacier. This shot was taken hiking up a glacier that is incredibly blue.



# Letters...

I remember a musical combo that included John Forte, Joe & Jimmy. Can't remember Joe or Jimmy's last names. Wonder if you can help.

**Sharon (Wyer) Ward '62**

**ED**...can you expand a little on your comment? Are you referencing something from the newsletter? What it be??? I recognize the name Forte...who are Joe and Jimmy? Please advise. Thanks,

**The Editors**

They were a three-piece band from school. Either '60 or '61. I don't remember who played what instrument but I think they played at some of the sock hops on Friday nights and at summer rec.

**Sharon**

Jimmy Clarke, class of '62, played in a band with two other guys - they played at one of my birthday parties. Don't know if this is the same group because I don't remember the names of the other guys. Jimmy was dating Gail Katala at the time. Somewhere I have a photo. Maybe Gail can help?

**Katie Kennedy '62**

I used to play quite a bit with John Forte. The Joe might have been Joe Registrarto; guitar and vocals.

**Art Romeo**

I hate winter.... imagine---Anchorage Alaska has gotten less than 4 inches in the month of January and the northeast is breaking records of over 3 feet!!! The Board of Ed called me at 4:52 this morning to tell me school was closed. That's when I took the pix.

**Beverly Reid Scibelli '61**



# Letters...

Hi Bob,

Hope all is well in your life. Just read two issues of *HixNews* to catch up. I noticed notes from Ricki Pollack and Carol Fullerton. I'm sure you remember that Ricki lived around the corner from both of us. If you can, please forward my regards to her. As for Carol, she was in my homeroom throughout the years and seeing her name brought a smile to my face. Send my best to Carol as well. I hope both find their way to the 50th. Thank you all for the great newsletter.

**Lew Fenigstein '61**

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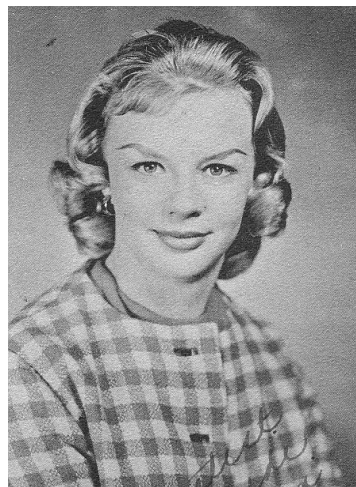
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**Ricki Pollack**



**Carol Fullerton**



# Veteran News...

Someone has gone to a great deal of trouble creating a special list of websites for Veterans. Many times, the Veteran is lost in a sea of websites, and has no idea in what direction to pursue. Hopefully this special list will be helpful. If this helps one person, then it's worthwhile. Please pass this on to all Veterans on your e-mail list. Go to the following website: <http://buffalobobcasale.com>

Listed there are web sites that provide information on Veterans benefits and how to file/ask for them. Accordingly, there are many sites that explain how to obtain books, military/medical records, information and how to appeal a denied claim with the VA. Please pass this information on to every Veteran you know. Nearly 100% of this information is free and available for all veterans, the only catch is: ***you have to ask for it***, because they won't tell you about a specific benefit unless you ask for it. You need to know what questions to ask so the right doors open for you, and then be ready to have an advocate who is willing to work with and for you, stay in the process, and press for your rights and your best interests.

Dear Editors,

On February 12, 2011, the Hicksville Veterans of Foreign Wars held their 76th Anniversary Dinner Dance. Attending the event were five graduates of **Hicksville High School** who are **Vietnam Veterans**, along with Nassau County Legislator Rose Walker, whose late husband was **Class of '65, graduate John Walker**. Keep up the good work. Semper Fi **Bill Walden '65**



*Pictured left to right:*

*Sidney Lynn, '66 (Suffolk County VFW Commander), Mike Cullen, '65 (Hicksville VFW member), William Walden, '65 (Hicksville VFW Commander), Nassau County Legislator Rose Walker (whose late husband was John Walker, '65), Joe Ingino, '67 (Hicksville VFW member & Nassau County VVA Chapter #82 President), and Jerry Dutko, '67 (Hicksville VFW member).*

# HIGH SCHOOL REUNION

# Mini Reunions...

Hi classmates:

The **Florida Mini Reunion** will be held on:

MARCH 19, 2011 AT 12-NOON  
LIONS DEN RESTAURANT  
AT THE KINGS GATE GOLF CLUB  
24000 RAMPART BLVD  
PORT CHARLOTTE, FL 33980  
941-625-0680

You will be ordering from the regular menu and you can have individual checks.

The restaurant is located off I-75 at Exit 170 Kings Highway (CR769). Go west on Kings Highway to Rampart Boulevard and make a left. Kings Gate (Lions Den) is on the left. For those of you who would like to stay overnight, there is a SLEEP INN, LA QUINTA, HAMPTON INN and COUNTRY INNS AND SUITES all in the immediate vicinity on Kings Hwy.

Please contact me with the number of guests and their names. All are welcome. See you soon,

**Ann Cassese Costantino '61**

[anntomc@aol.com](mailto:anntomc@aol.com)



The class of **1961** had a Long Island Mini Reunion on January 9<sup>th</sup> at *Smokey Bones* in Ronkonkoma. Pictures were posted in the Photo Gallery last month. Photos were also available at <http://good-times.webshots.com/album/579615604GjkUsB>

This note references that reunion:

I must say, we are a **very good-looking** group. Some of us look like movie stars. Dennis, keep up the good work; I appreciate all your efforts. Tony, I enjoyed talking about boating. Gerry, glad to hear all went well with your situation. We are buried in snow here in south Jersey. tired of shoveling. Time to make a winter move to Central America

**Frank C. Tiringer SCRREA CRA**





# Seriously??



Murphy showed up at Mass one Sunday and the priest almost fell down when he saw him. He'd never been to church in his life. After Mass, the priest caught up with him and said, "Murphy, I am so glad ya' decided to come to Mass. What made ya' come?"

Murphy said, "I got to be honest with you Father...a while back, I misplaced me hat and I really, really love that hat. I know that McGlynn had a hat just like mine and I knew he came to church every Sunday. I also knew that he had to take off his hat during Mass and figured he would leave it in the back of church. So, I was going to leave after Communion and steal McGlynn's hat."

The priest said, "Well, Murphy, I notice that ya' didn't steal McGlynn's hat. What changed your mind?"

Murphy replied, "Well, after I heard your sermon on the Ten Commandments, I decided that I didn't need to steal McGlynn's hat after all."

With a tear in his eye the priest gave Murphy a big smile and said, "After I talked about 'Thou Shall Not Steal' ya' decided you would rather do without your hat than burn in Hell?"

Murphy slowly shook his head. "No, Father, after ya talked about, 'Thou Shall Not Commit Adultery' I remembered where I left me hat."

## CHECK FOR ALZHEIMER'S — PRETTY AMAZING

The following was developed as a mental age assessment by the School of Psychiatry at Harvard University. Take your time and see if you can read each line aloud without a mistake. The average person over 40 years of age cannot do it!

1. This is **this** cat.
2. This is **is** cat.
3. This is **how** cat.
4. This is **to** cat.
5. This is **keep** cat.
6. This is **an** cat.
7. This is **old** cat.
8. This is **fart** cat.
9. This is **busy** cat.
10. This is **for** cat.
11. This is **forty** cat.
12. This is **seconds** cat.

Now go back and read the third word in each line from the top down.

**DID I READ THAT SIGN???**

**In A Department Store...**

Toilet Out Of Order. Use Floor Below!

**In A Laundromat...**

Automatic Washing Machines. Please Remove All Your Clothes When Light Goes Out!

**In An Office...**

After Coffee Break, Staff Should Empty The Coffee Pot and Stand Upside Down On The Draining Board.

**Outside A Second Hand Shop...**

We Exchange Anything...Bicycles...Washing Machines...Furniture. Why Not Bring Your Wife Along And Get A Wonderful Bargain!



Scientists at NASA built a gun specifically to launch standard four pound dead chickens at the windshields of airliners, military jets and the space shuttle, all traveling at maximum velocity. The idea was to simulate the frequent incidents of collisions with airborne fowl to test the strength of the windshields. British engineers heard about the gun and were eager to test it on the windshields of their new, high speed, trains. Arrangements were made, and a gun was sent to the British engineers.

When the gun was fired, the engineers stood shocked as the chicken hurled out of the barrel, crashed into the shatterproof shield, smashed it to smithereens, blasted through the control console, snapped the engineer's back-rest in two, and embedded itself in the back wall of the cabin, like an arrow shot from a bow. The horrified Brits sent NASA the disastrous results of the experiment, along with the designs of the windshield and begged the U.S. scientists for suggestions.



NASA responded with a one-line memo -- "*Defrost the chicken.*"

*Happy St. Patrick's Day*



# Passages...

Dear Family and Friends:

By now you may have heard the sad news. If not, I wanted to let you know my Dad, John Panaseny, Hicksville class of 1949, passed away Sunday morning, February 13th. He was in Indian River Medical Center recovering from surgery he had had on Thursday, February 10th. The surgery was intended to improve poor circulation in his left leg. The successful four-hour surgery was by Dr. Beckett in Vero Beach. Dr. Beckett planned to operate on his right leg once dad was stabilized. Mom and I saw Dad Friday in the Critical Care Unit and he was moved to a regular room after he improved on Saturday. Apparently his heart gave out Sunday morning while sleeping. A memorial service was held on Thursday, Feb 17, 2011 at 10am at the Seawinds Funeral Home, 735 South Fleming Street Sebastian, FL 32958-5016

I received an email from Joyce Clements Anglim to advise of the passing of **Jack Roberts**. Jack was married to Pat Cardillo, who graduated with Joyce and me in 1959. Jack passed away in January. Please also add Pat's name to our list to receive the HixNews. Thanks.

**Jean Goettelmann LaPointe**

Just wanted to let you know that my mom, **Janet Terrell Palmese**, class of 1952, passed away on November 12, 2010. Please update your email list accordingly.

Thank you.

**Karen Palmese Grappone '77**

Hi,  
My name is Jim Gorman, class of 1966. I noticed that two of my friends, who have passed, are not listed on the **In Memoriam** page; both were in the class of 1967. Their names, **Howard Blauvelt** and **Peter Monahan**.

Thanks,

Jim Gorman, '66

People will forget what you said.  
People will forget what you did.  
But people will never forget how you made them feel.