Hicksville High School Newsletter

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News about town

HHS Student Wins Anti-Smoking Contest

Brian Parisi's 'dynamite' design selected as top concept

Hicksville High School's Brian Parisi is kicking butts – cigarette butts, that is.

Parisi's "dynamite" T-shirt concept, a part of the ENT & Allergy's Great American Smokeout (GASO) and American Cancer Society campaign, recently earned him \$1,000 and another \$1,000 for his school.

Brian Parisi's T-shirt depicts the negative effects of smoking. He was honored today at the Westchester County Association Legislative Breakfast in Tarrytown, N.Y.

"Each November our doctors visit high schools around the area to speak with students about the dangers of smoking and the smoking epidemic. During the month of GASO we spread the word of our anti-smoking contest in efforts to involve students with the anti-smoking initiative.

"This past year we asked that high school students from the NY/NJ area submit original anti-smoking T-shirt designs that promoted the anti-smoking cause in a peer friendly way," said an ENT & Allergy Associates spokesperson.



Photo and information courtesy of AntonNews.com

On Nov. 17, 2011, the American Cancer Society marked its 36th Great American Smokeout – a date used to help smokers quit or make a plan to quit.

Click here for the whole story

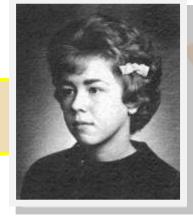


Happy Holidays



Letters

Thanks to Pat Stephenson (1962) for the graphics! She brightens each day with similar images!









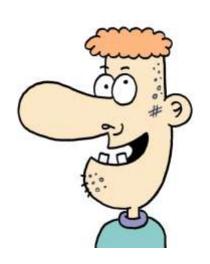






If anyone out there would like to receive a daily hug from Pat, send a note to buffalo bob casale at editors@hixnews.com





Stupid Facts

According to legislation in Kentucky, no female shall appear in a bathing suit on the highway unless escorted by two police officers

Cops get all the benefits!

More letters

FLASHBACK * FLASHBACK

Hey Guys,

I found this old photo recently. It was my 1957 or thereabouts little league team. I am second from left and I believe Mike Weill is second from right. I can't identify anyone else but it might be fun to see if anyone can find themselves. Thanks for the continued wonderful work.

Steve Backman, 1962

Mobile AL

Editor Note:

Can anyone identify all the players in the photo?









Letters, letters, letters



Hi,

My vote for favorite teacher from HHS is the one and only Mr. Donald Holmes, master of the paint brush. The best teacher ever, because he was on the students side always !!!!!!!! I remember him telling me to sign his DH on a pass if I wanted to get out of a class and go to to his , LOL I spent a lot of time in the Art Room. Not only did I learning great drawing and painting methods but I found a true friend. Someone I could confide in when I had problems and I always had problems, what teenager doesn't. lol He always seemed to know the right thing to say to make me feel better. Unfortunately it wasn't enough to get me into the private school he recommended (my parents had 5 kids and no \$\$) so like the dumb kid I was I dropped out ! It took me 20 years to go back and get my diploma but I did it. I regret not getting back to the school to see him again but his memory is strong in my heart and always will be.

I nominate Donald Holmes, Art Teacher / Friend for The Best Hicksville High School Teacher Ever.

Helen Mangialomini Coulmas 1960



Awesome Photography

A cousin (Tom Kraese) forwarded this awesome piece of footage to me. It's quite incredible! By the title, I thought I'd seen it before. This one is different.

Denny Tillman 1960

PS: That's some, fine, security camera they have. OWL LANDING RIGHT AT CAMERA Owl coming right at Raytheon security camera. A hypnotic piece of film slowed for your pleasure. The last two or three seconds are phenomenal. Click on link below

http://www.dogwork.com/owfo8/





Still more letters

A Note To Bill Luft:

Good to see your name added to the roster of former Hicksville High alumni.

When you have a moment, please write a sketch of your life that we can add to our alumni bios on the home page of the newsletter.

You can access almost any issue going back to the inception of the newsletter in 2000 by clicking on the Toolbar at the top of the home page that says Archived.

Regards

Buffalo Bob Casale



It was very nice of you to contact me. I enjoy reading the newsletter about the "good old days" in Hicksville. I found out about the newsletter when Norman Reid (class of 63) sent a link to me.

After graduating from HHS I attended Nassau Community College and than continued on to Morehead State University in Kentucky. In the late sixties, I started teaching Physical Education in a Catholic school in Hicksville. Then, in 1973, I joined the Nassau County Police Department and did thirty years and retired in 2003. I've been retired for nine years now and enjoying every moment of it.

Presently, I live in Freeport, N.Y. and have been here since 1977. My wife, Patricia, and I have been married since 1974 and have raised two daughters, Kimberly, who is a hairdresser and Kathleen who is a schoolteacher in the NYC school system. I also have two Grandsons, 2 and 4 who live close by and take up most of our time.

I've lost contact with a lot of my friends back in Hicksville, but the newsletter helps bring back the memories. Keep up the good work.

Best Regards,

Bill Luft









Mail call

A note to Barbara Hoosack Sarluco

Thanks for the photo. I will add to the next newsletter. Do you have other photos you might like to share. Perhaps you and your siblings. Speaking of which, how is Dave? Can't remember the last time I saw him. Probably at the supply store down the block from Goldman Bros. Who was working with him there?

I think Dave used to pal around with my brother in law, Otto Gabrielsen.

And was friendly with my business partner, Ted Swedalla

Let me know if you have more pics.



love yah bob



Thanks for the response to my letter. By the way my old boyfriend that worked at Whelans was a Hix alumni too His name is Richard Judge, class of 68. He worked for Whelans for quite a long time. My cousin, Dave, was so pleased you were asking for him. Just this past year he moved to Las Vegas He Is happy and doing well.

Daves sister Banni went out with Otto years back. Also I knew Otto thru the Judge family because he was good friends with Tommy Judge. Please tell Otto I send my best. He should remember me!

Dave also remembered that guy Tom too. He loved hearing the old names.

If he had a computer he would love the newsletter. Didn't get back to you sooner because I had knee replacement surgery and was in a rehab getting well. I am home now getting physical therapy. This getting old is not easy! Thanks again for all the hard work you do for us Alumnis!

Love ya

Barbara Hoosack 1968



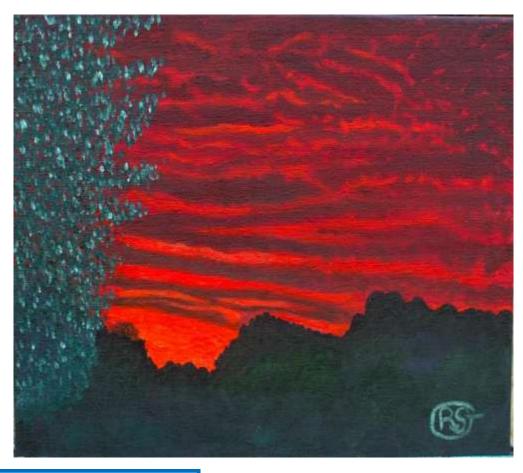




Letters



Hey Bob, here is the painting I did based on your red sky photo. Thanks, BoB Gillette



Ed: Nice job, Bob.

I see a lot of generous sunrises over the course of several months and sunsets, too. I saw some great sunrises and sunsets in New York, too.

Thanks for doing that.

love yah da buff







For those of you who like the Allman Brothers' music, two of my brothers, John (far left) and Ron, are playing guitar with Michael Sean Allman. I'm pretty proud of the musicians they are. They're on YouTube at

http://youtu.be/ PHBQVMFfdo

"Michael Allman & The Funky Biscuit All Stars "Whipping Post" Funky Biscuit 3-5-2012"

Whipping Post is the first song I watched/heard. My brothers play together like maybe only "blood" can do.

Interestingly, they had never met Michael Allman before they played this gig. They were called in the afternoon, e-mailed the song-list and charts for the songs they didn't know already. They didn't meet him until after the evening was over. They didn't know the drummer or the bassist, either. The keyboard player owns the club and hired them. Yet, they all played together amazingly well – at least in the eyes and ears of this brother!

You can also access three of their songs on my Facebook page.

I hope you enjoy the music.

All the best

Denton Tillman 1960





Editor Note:

We didn't hear of lot of outcry from the people of Japan following the earthquake and subsequent tsunami tragedy. The following is well worth viewing. Never realized the extent of aid provided by many countries. South Africa, Germany, Israel, China, United Kingdom, New Zealand, Mexico and, according to Japan's Foreign Affairs Ministry, 91 countries and regions and 6 international organizations extended offers of assistance. It's been a year since the disaster but the memory lives on.

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=SS-sWdAQsYg&vq=medium

Keep them letters comin'

Hi Guys,

Found another picture. This one is from 1953 when Woodland Avenue School opened. We were in first grade. That's me bottom left with suspenders and striped tie. Others in picture (as memory serves):



Ronnie Cobb Elaine Ensley Michael Mueller

Joanne Pani Mary Ann Greco Don Martin

Joe Havilick Gordan Van Sise Myra Rosen

Pat McNalley Steve Ragusa John Hall

Jimmy Fisher

Maybe someone will remember themselves.

Where did the time go?

Semper Fi



Bill Walder

Chartes

UPDATE

A friend of a friend took this picture of us at the Golf Expo held at the Villages Polo Field on 3/2-3/3. We were having fun in The Keys/Naples! Joan Carbonaro Wetzel 1961 & Bruce Wetzel





SPING



Stupid Facts

The smell you, well, smell in the spring is the pores of the plant life opening up to receive sunlight and moisture. Our winter-accustomed noses have smelled nothing of the sort for the past winter months, and the change is significant. that accounts for that spring smell. it is the same when it rains. we do not smell the rain, but rather the plant life opening up to receive moisture.

Updates



Enjoyed (as usual) the most recent newsletter. Sadly noted the passing of Chuck Smith, '66. I seem to recall that he preferred "Chick" to Chuck. We were both in Mr. Giambalvo's calculus class in '66.

To update my profile, I'm re-re-retired (third time's the charm), living in Atlanta with my wife, Susan (Levittown Memorial 1968), two daughters and seven grandkids.

Please update my email to (concealed).

Howie Berkowitz 1966



Thanks for the update.

You should write a bio sketch of your life for inclusion on our bios page.

Check out the attached pictures.

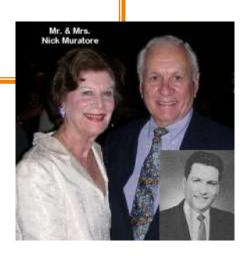
These charming couples showed up at our 50 Year Reunion last September at the Marriott in Islandia.

Regards

buffalo bob casale

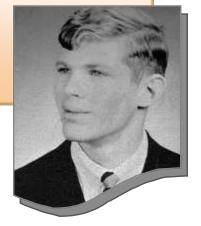
p.s. are you related to Harry Berkowitz?





A reply from Howie:

Thanks for the pix. I remember Mr. G and his calc class fondly. Not related to Harry. My dad was a dentist and treated neighbors and classmates galore. Whenever we were out and about he always seemed to end up with his fingers in someone's mouth!





Thanks

Judy Marcus Shivers posted on your Wall

"TY Bob for the BD wishes. Love you and Hix News! Judy Marcus Shivers"







Thank you, Robert and the gang at HixNews, for the beautiful birthday card. Helen Penner Ackerman 1956



Thank you for the birthday e-card. Very thoughtful. Gary DeFelice 1958

Thank you for the birthday greetings. The Jacquie Lawson card was beautiful and much appreciated. Best wishes to you, and best wishes also to my Class.

Al Sypher 1958

More Thanks!

Hey Bob,

I received the birthday card you sent...just wanted to take a minute to say "thank you" for your thoughtfulness. It sure is appreciated. You and the gang do a great job on the newsletter. Keep up the great work! I look forward to receiving it each month. Hope all is well with you.

Best regards,

Fred Fulco 1960





COMETS



How beautiful and how thoughtful. Thank you for all you do and especially for remembering. God Bless you.

Anna May (Powers) Riddell 1961



Bob,

Thank you so much for the birthday card. It is always a delight to hear from friends from Hicksville. It's hard to believe we have reached our Grandparents age, but it is fun actually being a Grandparent. Thanks again.

Steve Baum Class of '62



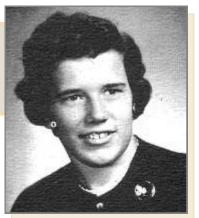
Grazi, Gracias, Danke, Merci

Thank you for the beautiful card and for remembering!! Must be time to start forgetting them!! Thanks again.

'Sister' Maureen Schrimpe IHM 1963

Editor Note:

We can forget "Them" but never "YOU."









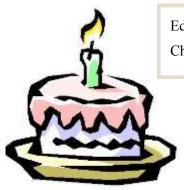
Hello Bob:

Thanks to you and the staff for the wonderful birthday ecard. Your greetings are always a pleasure.

Carolyn (Wood) Imbrie 1963

Bob

Thanks for the birthday card. I went to wine country yesterday. Beautiful out there. Talk to you soon. Chris Andersen 1967



Editor note:

Chris went to wine country on Long Island, out east.



You guys are full of Thanks!

Thank you for the lovely birthday card. You guys do such a great job with the newsletter and our "special days". Please keep up the awesome work!

Bev (Fetz) White 1967



Thank you so much for the card! It wasn't really late one day isn't late anymore!

Lisa Dorais Wissler 1971





Thank you so so much for the beautiful birthday card it made my day thanks again.

Carol Ann Luisi Saletto



Dear HixNews:

Thanks so much for the lovely birthday card.

Cathy Rowan Doll 1975



It is our pleasure!

Thanks.

Mike McGregor (married to Debbie Moorhouse class of 1975)







Thank you so much for your anniversary e-card! What a wonderful surprise!

Lorin (O'Neill) 1977 & Ed Coakley



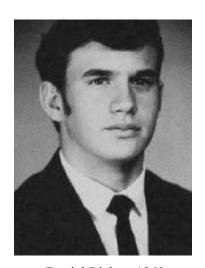


New Readers





Karen (Kelly) LaCarrubba 1969



Daniel Richter 1969



John H. Marcel 1975



Pat Seif Marcel 1977



New Readers



William J Luft 1963



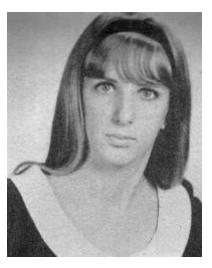
Sally (Kriegel) Jantrarit 1964







Mark Lenetsky - 1967



Linda (Kleiss) Hanewinckel 1966



Delia Sackmann 1967



Arnold Berger 1968

Looking for



To Bob Casale

Please send me contact info for Maddy Frischman. She is the sister of my best friend who passed away at a young age.

Steve Goldsmith, Class of 57

Below is a picture from back in the fifties. It's your editor, Buffalo Bob, with Steve's brother Mike and Jack McCarron who moved to Florida around the same time Mike did. Both did not graduate from Hicksville High.

Hi Steve,

We do not disclose contact information for our members. But if you become a member (it's free), we will inform Maddy (Frischman) Leibowitz that you would like her to contact you, which she can then do if she chooses to comply with your request.

To become a member of HixNews, use the subscription box in the upper-left of our homepage at: http://hixnews.com

Best, Henry







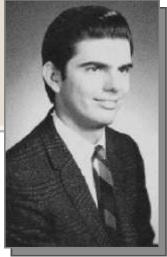


Passages



I didn't know where to send this but under memorials remembering graduates, HHS 1970 Victoria Macukiewicz passed away after being involved in an auto accident in 1989.

Craig Whitney HHS1968 Trustee/Chairman Palm Beach County Firefighters Employee Benefits Fund



I thought HixNews would have already been notified that Charles (Charlie) Clair has passed away. He was in the Class of 1958.

Kathleen Agiesta

Kathy:

Thanks for the information. I think you are the only one to report this loss.







Dear Buffalo Bob

Where our own beloved Buffalo Bob corresponds for a few pages with a random reader

Editor Note:

This is an exchange with Joan DeJohn Brite from the class of 1961

Joan

Where and when was this picture taken?
Buffalo Bob Casale



We were in Southern Spain on a transatlantic cruise in Nov. 2009 Love ya, Joan

Where did the cruise originate? How long and what were the stops? Or was this just to transport you from the United States to Spain? Who is in the picture with you? Is there a highlight of your vacation that you remember as being special?

I was in Rota, Juarez and Cadiz back in the sixties. Had an opportunity to see a bullfight and wouldn't you know it, the day I was there, the matador was gored and he died.

I didn't realize that when the bull is killed, they butcher the meat and distribute it to the poor people who live in the vicinity of the bullring.

Let me know when you can. Want to share with our newsletter readers.

love yah bob

Dear Buffalo Bob

Where our own beloved Buffalo Bob corresponds for a few pages with a random reader

Bob I'm going to try my best with the itinerary on this cruise. We've been on over 50 cruises and many European cruises and my memory isn't what it used to be. Paul is helping me with this one "but he ain't so great either"...

We flew from Miami to Rome, spent 3 days at the Majestic Hotel on the Via Vienito with our friends Gloria and Tony Rossomano.

Our first night in Rome, our tour guide recommended he and his wife's favorite restaurant. We took a cab about 40 km outside of Rome. The restaurant was beautiful, on a terraced hillside. No one spoke English but the food was fantastic.

After dinner we walked down the hillside to wait for a cab. It was about 11PM. After waiting 1/2 hour and no cab Paul and Tony walked back to the restaurant only to be told "no cab". It was a close to panic moment. The owner of the restaurant arranged for a busboy from Peru to drive us back to the hotel. He also spoke no English. Fortunately Paul's broken Hialeah Spanish allowed him to guide us back to the hotel where there was complete madness in the streets with about 100 cabs. THEY WERE ON STRIKE. Figures...That's our Luck...1st night in Rome.

I would say one of the highlight's of the trip for me was being able to get right into the Vatican without waiting on line because we had a tour guide. It literally is like an all day wait - the line is ridiculous and we got right in.

Our guide arranged for us to be driven about 100km to Chitavecchia where we boarded the Equinox to begin our 15 day cruise.

Don't remember the order of the ports but we stopped in Marseilles. We took a guided tour to Avignon. Where we visited the Palace of the Pope's which was for 75 yrs the center of the Catholic Church.

From there we sailed to Barcelona where we visited several beautiful wineries.

Then the Canary Islands and spent a day each on Tenerife and Lanzarote, beautiful islands.

One of our stops was Monaco where we visited the Princes Palace and walked the route of the Monaco Grand Prix and visited the famous casino, but no James Bond. We then set sail for 6 days at sea back to Ft. Lauderdale.

I think that's all of it!

Your story was unbelievable. That would have left me with a lot of nightmares.

Love Ya

Joan



Majestic Hotel Rome

Dear Buffalo Bob

Where our own beloved Buffalo Bob corresponds for a few pages with a random reader

Editor Note:

My shipmate, John Hrankowski, from the USS LIBERTY went to the Vatican back in the late nineties. John is a survivor of the Liberty attack and was suffering from shrapnel wounds that continued to fester years after the attack.

Many wouldn't know that shrapnel lies beneath the skin and when the body heals, the shrapnel is trapped so to speak. What happens to many over the years is that the shrapnel festers itself through the surface skin and appears miraculously. Little shards of steel are now a new part of the body.

John's wife, Mary Anne, sent a note to the Vatican to Pope John and requested an audience. It wasn't long until Mary Anne received a note from the Vatican saying the audience with the pope is very welcomed and the pope is looking forward to meeting John.

Arrangements were made and the Hrankowski's were suddenly in Italy. They chose to stay at a hotel not far from the Vatican. Nothing other than the official letter from the Vatican had been received.

The Hrankowski's settled in and explained to the concierge that they were waiting for something from the Vatican to explain what they were to do.

Several days passed, then Mary Anne became alarmed. What are we supposed to do?

The couple decided to go out on a tour of the Vatican and asked that the concierge accept any notices sent from the Vatican. The Hotel Concierge had doubts that anything would transpire. Late into the afternoon, a representative of the Vatican confronted the concierge and said that the Hrankowski's were asked to be at the Vatican the next morning for the audience.

When the couple returned to the hotel, they were treated as "Very Important People."

John and Mary Anne met the pope the next day.



So ends another episode of "Dear Baffalo Bob"

Tane in next month for another nostalgic episode, sare to bring back

wondrous memories... we hope!

Hicksville Memories

Last month's challenge

Give us your memories of : Mid-Island Plaza

My favorite memory of Mid-Island Plaza is purchasing a new coat at Lerners. I started a job the day after graduation, June 24th 1957, at Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp. Their main office was in Syosset, but I started at their smaller plant in Hicksville, as secretary in the purchasing dep't. Anyway, I was going to need a new coat for the winter, so purchased one at Lerners on their layaway plan. I went in each payday and paid on it. I was so proud the day I was able to make my last payment and get my coat. It was black & white tweed with a really warm black fleece lining, and I loved it. It went with me to Germany when I married Tom, my soldier boy,

the following year, and I wore that coat until 1964, when I gave it to a nice lady who cleaned my stepfather's home. She was so thrilled to have it.

Carole (Kiever) Ohliger '57

Photo taken at Lake Eibsee in Garmisch, Germany 1958

Editor Note:

Thanks Carole! Wonderful memory! Nice coat too!!

David



To The Editors:

In February's newsletter, there was a request for recollections about the Mid-Island Plaza. Coincidentally, in my adult (and I stress the word "adult") contemporary novel The Writing Box, much of the first dozen or so chapters are set on Long Island. Many scenes occur in Hicksville; specifically, Chapter 10 is at the Plaza in the Gertz department store. The chapter tells of an encounter among one of the novel's main characters, Ursula, her girlfriend Francine, and two boys. The basis for this scene comes from a few real-life experiences some friends of mine and I had at Gertz with several girls from HHS. Even though these "activities" occurred over fifty years ago, I think everyone involved must remain nameless! Anyway, here's the chapter.

BTW, The book is available on Amazon and also comes in electronic form for Kindle.

Regards,

Dennis Listort 1964

Editor Note:

To read that Chapter, send a note to Dennis

djl81146@aol.com

Hicksville Memories

Last month's challenge

Give us your memories of : Mid-Island Plaza

Those pictures are of the Mid Island Plaza....

One such memory was when Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris came after the 1961 season to the center of the mall. There were so many people crowed into the then open air mall.

Another was waiting for the bus that took you to Jones Beach the mall was still not enclosed. When did they enclose the mall?

And finally the Labor Day Fireman's Tournament, the bucket brigade was always my favorite to watch. Buckets of water up the ladder to fill a drum the team that took the least time won.

Bob Bittner 1968

Thanks to all who responded to our challenge! Much better response! Not only can you give us your memories of our next place/event, **please** suggest a location/event and we'll make it our next challenge.

Your assignment this month, please send us your memories of the Hicksville Long Island Rail Road station!

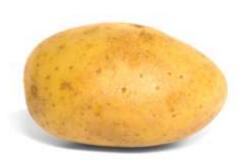


Weird Fact of the Day

An apple, onion, and potato all have the same taste. The differences in flavor are caused by their smell. To prove this — pinch your nose and take a bite from each. They will all taste sweet.







An Editors Thought

Any time you see an email that says "forward this on to '10' (or however many) of your friends", "sign this petition", or "you'll get bad luck" or "you'll get good luck" or "you'll see something funny on your screen after you send it" or whatever --- it almost always has an email tracker program attached that tracks the cookies and emails of those folks you forward to.

The host sender is getting a copy each time it gets forwarded and then is able to get lists of 'active' email addresses to use in SPAM emails or sell to other Spammers. Even when you get emails that demand you send the email on "if you're not ashamed of God/Jesus" --- that is email tracking, and they are playing on our conscience.

These people don't care how they get your email addresses - just as long as they get them. Also, emails that talk about a missing child or a child with an incurable disease "how would you feel if that was your child" - That is, again, email tracking.

Ignore them and don't participate!

Buffalo Bob Casale

Membership has its privileges

The editors are willing to most anything to help out our fellow classmates and family, but you **have** to sign up to allow us to be part of this wonderful family.

It's free, it's easy and it's mandatory.

To the Newsletter Editor,

Please add the following information to the Birthday and Anniversary section of the website:

Ron Taub - Birthday 11/19/1944

Anniversary - 8/20/1967 (married to Barbara Taub nee Eisen)

I will follow up with some biographical info at a later date.

Sincerely,

Ron Taub 1962

Hi Ron,

We'll be glad to add you to our lists, but first you'll have to subscribe to HixNews (it's free). Please use the subscription box in the upper/left corner of our homepage: http://hixnews.com

Best, Henry



H. Lichtenstein

Thanks Ron, You've been added to both lists but it would be helpful if you could let me know where you reside now.

Thanks.

Val Pakaluk

Ron

Don't see a photo of you in the 1962 yearbook and what year did Barbara graduate?

Thanks

buffalo bob casale

Membership has its privileges

Bob,

I wasn't in the 1962 edition of the Comet as my family moved to Greenlawn after the first two weeks of our senior year. It was during that senior year that the yearbook pictures were taken. That is the reason I did not appear. However, I attended school in Hicksville from 4th grade through the start of my senior year. I attended Fork Lane Elementary School, then Nicholai Street School, the Junior High School and the Senior High School.

My wife, Barbara, graduated from Valley Stream North High School in June of 1963 as Barbara Eisen. She goes by the nickname Bonnie as her mom was infatuated with the characters in Gone With the Wind.

Sincerely,

Ron Taub

Long Island Language Teachers Treasurer

Kings Park Retired Teachers Treasurer

Bob,

Since there are no photos of me in the 1962 Comet, I am attaching a couple of recent photos that perhaps can jog your memory although we are talking about a long time ago.

Sincerely,

Ron







Membership has its privileges

Hi there,

My name is Eileen Goldstein Scherzinger (HHS Class of 77) and I am on the reunion committee for our 35th reunion to be held during the summer of 2012 (Date TBD).

Can you make an announcement for our reunion? We are currently trying to track down as many classmates as possible. When is your next newsletter going to be posted? What information do you need from me? Thanks for your help!

Eileen

Hi Eileen,

All you have to do is become a member of HixNews (it's free), by using the subscription box in the upper-left of our homepage at: http://hixnews.com

Then send us your announcement when you are ready. We publish the Newsletter by the first of each month.

Best, Henry

Hi Henry,

I am already a member. Will send the announcement shortly. We just started our planning but have made a lot of headway. Getting the details shortly.

Thanks!

Eileen

Eileen,

We have no record of your membership as:

Eileen Scherzinger (email concealed)

Did you subscribe under a different name and/or a different email address?

Please advise.

Thanks

Henry

Hi, I am using another email: (email concealed) thanks!

Eileen

OK, Eileen. We had you listed as Eileen Goldstein (concealed). I assume "Scherzinger" is your married name, which I have now added to our records.

Best, Henry

Where's the newsletter? Why can't I read the newsletter?

Dear Editors:

First let me say that you all do a terrific job on the Newsletters and I appreciate all your hard work, so thanks a million.

My problem:

I sometimes save the Newsletters to my "HixNews" folder if I don't have time to read them when they arrive in my mailbox. I just went in to look at the last four from Oct., Nov., Dec. and Feb. (guess I did see January). When I click on the http://hixnews.com link, I keep getting the current March 2012 Newsletter - for each of them. I've tried it three times and each time I get March. Am I doing something incorrectly? It always worked before, so I can't figure out what's wrong.

HELP PLEASE!! Thanks.

Linda Connelly ('60)

Editor Note:

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Let me know if you are still having trouble.

Roger Whitaker, webmaster for hixnews.com







Let's make this a constant feature but YOU have to submit your recipes!

Send them to us and we'll publish and we can maybe have enough to publish our own recipe book!

Here's a No Fat Low Cal Low Sodium Dressing that I make and it's very refreshing and I think tastes good.

46 oz Low Sodium V-8 Juice

2 oz Red Wine Vinegar

2 oz Lemon Juice

2 tblspn Minced Garlic

1/8 tspn Black Pepper

1/8 tspn Garlic Powder

1/4 tspn Olive Oil

Mix all the ingredients together.

This is the basic recipe. You can add additional herbs, increase the spoonage or eliminate an item entirely...this is according to your individual taste.



The following question was sent to our Google email list of newsletter subscribers...

What was your favorite song when you were still in high school?? What is your favorite song of all time?

I still have over 100 45's from about 1960-1968! and a turntable to play them - remember those yellow inserts for the round hole? I've got lots of them.

(I dream of getting an new/old juke box)

"come on baby, light my fire!" sums it up.

Oh...when still in high school - "hot town, summer in the city"

An earlier make-out song "in the still of the night" ("earth angel" - yuck!)

I have an idea for a book - working title: "how rock and roll ruined my love-life"

by raising my expectations!

"ooh, baby, baby"

You know you're really old when they're playing steely Dan on the oldies station!

Martin Brandfon 1967

I love "A Thousand Stars in the Sky" - my song with my high school boyfriend!!

Pat Levitin 1962





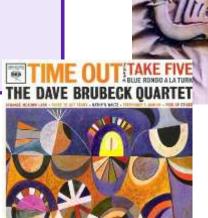
Earth Angel was my favorite.

Susan Spector 1962

In High School, it would have been "Take 5", Dave Brubeck Quartet.
All time favorite, my wedding song. "You're the Inspiration"

Chicago 17

Vic Olsen 1965

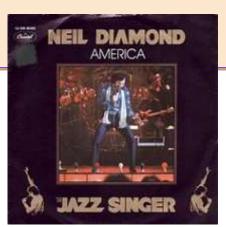


My favorite from high school is "Run Around Sue", not because it's the best song I ever heard, although I like it a lot, but it recalls the era of high school and also college for me. If memory serves me it came out in either '61 or '62. Likely my all time favorite is "America" by Neal Diamond.

Thanks,

Joe Carfora 1962







Sunday kind of love. Linda Whitlock 1958

Hi Bob,

I used to love "Good Night Sweetheart Goodnight" (well, it's time to go). It was the end to some fun evenings. Thanks.

Helen Bereznik Grace 1968







Hi Bob:

My favorite songs in high school were mostly the "slow dance songs" Donna, Dream (Everly Brothers), End of the World- Skeeter Davis, Surfer Girl-Beach Boys, Soldier Boy- Shirelles, Do I Love You and Walking in the Rain-Ronnie Spector, The Way you look tonight, the Letterman, Blowin' in the Wind and Positively fourth street, Bob Dylan, Diamonds and Rust, Joan Baez, Send In The Clowns. Judy Collins, Lonely Too Long, Young Rascals, Some Enchanted Evening, Jay and the Americans, A Thousand Stars in the Sky, Linda Scott, In My Room, Beach Boys. Best of all time - You Belong To Me, Tonight, Tonight. Also love Tapestry Carol King, Happy Birthday Sweet 16- Neil Sedaka; My Guy, Mary Wells; Fools Rush In-Rick Nelson. I remember all the different dances Stroll, Skate, Mashed Potato, Swim, Lindy, Cha Cha, Monkey, Twist, Limbo. That great song Shout that everyone would jump up and dance to. I remembered the INNASH dance we used to have for leap day time; could not remember this year what the first IN stood for the next were Noah's Arc and Sadie Hawkins. The girls asked the guys to the dance and we dressed in like shirts It seems we had a dance to go to just about every month --between the Knights of Columbus Hall on Heitz Place and the High School gym. Those were certainly great times.

Lynn O'Riordan McMorrow 1968

p.s. Thank you again for all you do and all the wonderful memories

p.p.s. Also your email prompted me to look back at the March edition and have now called Kathy DAMMES (Morris) who graduated with me in '68 and left her a message if she would like to go to the '61-'81 reunion at Stony Brook on April 28. Thanks again.

I created a CD that consists of 29 slow Golden Oldies that were popular when we were teenagers and patrolling the halls of Hicksville High. Anyone interested in getting a copy, please send me an email.

Thanks

Buffalo Bob Casale



I would love to have a copy of that CD. By, the way we had made up some lyrics for Tears On My Pillow. Here goes:

Blood on my pillow, Pain in my arm caused by u.

I am sure that shocks everyone today, but back then, it was what it was! I agree with anyone who now says that was wrong. I am just the messenger of the 60's.

Joyce Thorburn Jurgensen '67

I would like to get a copy of this CD. Thanks to you and the other members of HixNews for your dedication. I don't think there is another group like you in the world!

Connie (Damarodas) Skow

I requested a disc; I think the songs you chose are great.

Thank You

Jim Gorman 1966

I requested a disc.

Thank you, so much.

Joel Ziegler 1962

Hi Bob

I requested a CD of the oldies yesterday.

Again thank you so much for all wonderful work on the monthly hixs news. My husband only wishes his high school had such an informative and enjoyable newsletter. He graduated in 1962 from Syosset High.

Thanks again

Love

Lorraine Ramos Sullivan 1964

Bob,

My all time favorite slow song is "Teardrops" by Lee Andrews & the Hearts; my all time favorite rock & roll song is "Papa Oom Mow Mow" by the Rivingtons.

Thanks for the offer to burn a CD but I have those tunes too and my doo-wop group, Stardust, does some of them.

I'm really excited about an event that we will be performing at along with one of the best doo-wop groups, The Tribunes. It's called LICruzinforacure and is a huge classic car show with music, crafts and FREE PSA tests. The show will be on Sunday, Sept. 9 from 9-4 and (here's the best part) it takes place at the Sears on 107 in HICKSVILLE. We're scheduled to do a couple of sets staring around 2:00. If it's OK with you, I'd like to post a flyer in HixNews for July, August, and September so that lots of our fellow Hicksville alumni will come.

I'll keep in touch.

Bob Masone 1962

Editor Note:

please send a flyer that we will gladly post!

Thanks for the offer, I already have lots of 50's and 60's music.

Bonnie Scharr Papes 1961

Bob

Thank you so much for the memories.

Toni Izzo 1966

Hi B B:

I don't know what year this was but, Al Notaro and I went steady for three years all thru high school. Remember ""Your Mine and We Belong together?" Both sons-in-law are DJ's, so if I ask them, they could help, I hope. If you want any advise Kirk is a wizzzzzz at computers and disk info. Thanks for being such a sweetie to offer such a service.

Charlotte Sanzano, St. Clair

Dear BB: Now that's unreal you are a wizzzzzzzzz. Thanks it was so

nice to remember!

Editor Note:

I remember very well...check it out

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D8Sqki2-eCQ

Is that the song? Let me know. love yah bob

Favorite song in High School. Wow. There were so many. I guess maybe 2. Pied Piper by Hmmmmmm who by. I think it was Christian something.. But I remember the song.. "I'm the Pied Piper follow me and I'll show you where its at" AND song number 2 by Jay and the Americans. In a Little Café just the other side of the bordershe was sittin there giving me looks that make my mouth water but she belonged to bad man Jose. Come a Little Bit Closer.

Now favorite all time. Gosh. That's tough. Maybe Bye Bye Miss American Pie but then again I love Volare' and of course who can forget in 1814 we took a little trip the battle of narleans by Johnny Horton.

Got to go for now. Use this info wisely; someone may be trying to intercept it.

Bob Bittner 1968

Editor Note:

Pied Piper, Del Shannon

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=isE5-WnRkZc

Hi Bob,

Are you familiar with the website http://www.tropicalglen.com/? You can listen to the top hits by year from 1950 to 1989 as well as compilations by catagory such as folk, country, show tunes, doo wop, jazz, etc. You can play them in the background while you are on the computer.

Larry Anton 1961

Hi Bob

Thank you very much for the oldies CD. I received it on Saturday, Saint Patrick's Day, and have been enjoying it.

Ann Cassese Costantino 1961

Editor Note:

More are on the way. We are working on burning to disc and that takes some time. Thanks for your patience.

Wouldn't you think the top song of the 20th century would be sung by a guy like Elvis Presley or perhaps the sensational crooner, Frank Sinatra?

The number one song of the century was performed by a fella who did a lot of acting, too, along with his singing. His versatility was the primary reason for his continuing success.

Some of his long list of hits: Splish Splash, Early In The Morning, Queen of The Hop, Plain Jane, Dream Lover, Beyond The Sea, Clementine, Bill Bailey, Artificial Flowers, Somebody to Love and Lazy River. All of these sounds bring back fond memories, but the number one song of the century, performed by the incomparable Bobby Darin, "Mack The Knife."

However, when CBS-FM conducts their annual top 500 poll, the reigning champion song remains the same, year after year: "In The Still of The Night," by the Five Satins.



There is a presentation that can be accessed at the following spot on YouTube http://youtu.be/f4sj4kUD5TA

Below are notes from those who viewed the YouTube video...



Awesome. Thanks so much for sharing.

Marie Vanacore 1963

Really enjoyed the presentation. Who did the vocals? Beth Harper McFall 1965

Wow, great job! I like how the Flag sparkles, and the song was very well done; but I did have to turn up my volume a lot to be able to hear it but then maybe that is just my volume.

Love

Joan Siegl Rudolph 1961







Bob:

Loved the video. Brought back memories of the days of respect for our country, it's people and our ability to be united despite having different convictions. Thank you so much for sharing.

Dottie Gallahue Donovan



Bob, Great job and very touching. Elaine Krauss O'Neill



Hey Bob I think it's very good. Leona O'Hanley Schilling 1963





FANTASTIC!
Maryann Uebel Blane 1973





Excellent Bob, very stirring. Ron Rocek 1960

I loved it. The music a little too much opera for my taste but nicely done.

Barbara Leek Favero 1965





VERY well done! Thank you for sharing it with us!! I HOPE they still go thru that every morning in the Hicksville Public Schools!!

Don Engelman 1969

IT BROUGHT TEARS TO MY EYES, AND CHILLS UP MY SPINE. THANKS!!! I SHARED IT ON MY FACEBOOK PAGE

Loretta Garone 1970



Very Nice. You did a great job. Joan Brandt McHugh 1962

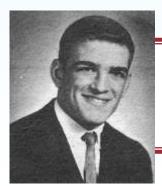


OK. But I liked John Wayne's version better. Denis Rossi 1953

WELL done!! We need all the help we can get for November. Steve Moddle 1953

Hi Bob

Thank you so much for that. It was great and I really enjoyed it. Joe Ingino 1967



Very well done, Bob! I particularly liked the emphasis on "One Nation Under God" towards the end as it tells the ACLU and other protestors to stick it where the sun doesn't shine!!

Joe Carfora 1962





Good Job Buffalo Bob, Well done. Nancy Johnsen Kaye 59 Dear Bufbob,

I am sure I would have loved this, but, I do not have sound on my computer. I appreciate your effort and I am sure the presentation was great.

Tony Izzo

