

News about town

All Aboard: LIRR Revamping Hicksville Train Station

Over the next five years, Long Island Rail Road commuters from Hicksville, Westbury and Mineola will notice some significant changes at their hometown stations.

The MTA Long Island Rail Road announced on Monday, May 21, that \$211.5 worth of capital improvements – dubbed the MTA Capital Plan – will result in major renovations at the Hicksville train station, a new bridge on Ellison Avenue in the Village of Westbury and drainage improvements in Mineola.

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[Click here for the whole story](#)

Happy Father's Day



The Hicksville LIRR station is getting \$106.6 million worth of improvements throughout the next five years, according to the MTA.

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Letters



Thanks for the many wonderful opportunities you have provided to remember our time in Hicksville. I am always saddened reading about someone I knew who has passed away. The memories of the times spent in the concert and marching band will remain with me always. As for me, I just read that my email was sought (great idea to facilitate locating people from the past). Here it is...(concealed for security reasons).

I am presently living in the great Pacific Northwest where I am teaching at City University in Seattle. I teach in a program for aspiring executive leaders seeking positions in schools and the private sector as well as doctorates. Prior to university teaching I served as Superintendent of the Sumner, Washington school district for 22 years. Best wishes and I look forward to reading the newsletter each month.

Donald Eismann 1960

Editor note:

Anyone wanting to get reacquainted with Don, send a note to editors@hixnews.com and we will make the connection.



Art Romeo here reminding everyone that I'll be appearing at:

Amarelle
2028 North Country Rd.
Wading River N.Y.
631-886-2242
June 16th & June 30th
7:00 - 10:00.

I recommend making dinner reservations. Once again, this is one of the best restaurants you'll find anywhere. Hope to see some of you there.



More letters



Hi:

Thanks for your e-mails. I graduated from HHS in 1953, if you have any info on those of us who were in the '53 and '54 classes I would appreciate hearing about them.

In 1961 I became a (flight attendant) stewardess as we were called back then for United Airlines after working at L.I. Nat'l bank in Hicksville and Chamberlain Chevrolet in Oyster Bay, N.Y. since 1953. I flew for thirty-five years and retired in 1996. I flew both domestic and International and really loved the job. I married in 1970 to Donald Shadick whom I met at UCLA while flying out of Los Angeles. I flew on weekends, and went to school during the week. I did not have any children since I was 36 at the time I married. We did however have several cats over the years.

We now live in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida and have been here for over thirty years. Oh well, enough about me. I am sure no one interested in my life after HHS.

Thanks for your correspondence.

Maryrita Seadon Shadick 1953

Editor Note:

Your life after high school has been interesting and I'm certain many alumni are thankful that you participate after all these years

Father's Day Trivia

It was while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909 that the idea of Father's Day suddenly struck Spokane, Washington resident Sonora Dodd. She wanted to honor her own father, William Smart, who was well-deserving of a special day as a widowed farmer left alone to raise his six kids single-handedly.

A short year later, residents embraced the ideas so warmly that by June 19, 1910 the first Father's Day celebration was proclaimed in Spokane because it was the month of Dodd's father's birth.

Decades later, the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers was issued in 1966 when President Lyndon Johnson designated the third Sunday in June as Father's Day.

Father's Day in America has been officially celebrated annually since 1972 when President Richard Nixon signed the public law that made it permanent.

Letters, letters, letters

This is from Tom Beatty, the chap with who Ray Saeger worked when he was at Randolph Air Force Base; I provided you a comment a few years ago.

IAC, I have short video prepared around Ray's funeral in memoriam that can provide you with many pictures. Would gladly make & send you a copy. Pls feel free to share copies with any whom you may wish.

Cheers

Dr. Tom Beatty, DD, BFHM

Tom

Would appreciate that very much.

Please forward to:

Robert Casale

<address hidden to prevent all of you from sending Buff too much chocolate>

Any costs to provide the documentation. Please send to me.

Thanks

Buffalo Bob Casale

No charge for Ray's classmates. As you should gather from my comments, I had the greatest respect for Ray Saeger. He was one amongst the many.

It will be in the mail tomorrow.

Tom

Thanks. I really appreciate your concern

Regards

Bob

As "they" say, it's in the mail. Let me know how your classmates like this memorial to Ray.

Tom



Still more letters



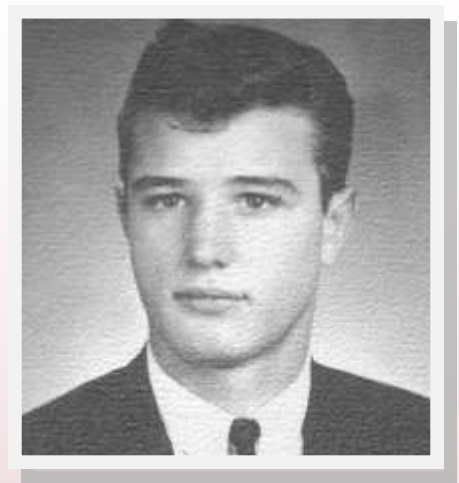
Bob,

This photo brought back a lot of good memories. I am the first person on the left in the top row. Bobby Feldcher class of '64 is the person on the far right in the top row.

We played our games at Lee Avenue School. If anyone remembers how we did I would love to know. I still see some Perkins Trucks on the road up here in Rhode Island and it always reminds me of those grand old little league days.

Best Regards

Bob Smith 1963



Editor note:

I put Fletcher instead of Feldcher on the photo below. Another "Senior Moment."



Mail call!

Buff,

Thanks to you and the other editors for your usually great issues which keep us all in touch! I noted Kathy Lyman's note as I knew her brother Richie well when she was still a "little kid". Ironically, we likely lived in the Schenectady, NY area around the same time and never knew it! My wife, Sharon, is a Niskayuna High graduate where Kathy taught and I met Sharon while first working for GE after graduating college. We lived in the area in 1969 and again from 1972 through 1975, while Kathy would have been a teacher at Niskayuna. Please pass this on to her along with my email address, should she care to contact me directly.

I always read the newsletter with part of my brain thinking of missing names for the Vietnam War Era project and lo and behold, this month's newsletter produced Nick Quattrone, who somehow after 1,776 names on the list managed to escape us. I've added Nick to the list, but need to verify if he was in the Army or Marines and if he was wounded in action. Since his obit indicates he was a Disabled Vietnam Veteran, his disability could have come from a war wound or another non-combat accident while he was on active duty. If you could pass this on to the person who posted his loss to you, perhaps they will know.

Also, I see Phil Ewing sent a "Military News" post about a new submarine. He's also not on our list of Veterans and should be if he served during the Vietnam Era (2/61 through 4/75). Please forward this to him as my means of asking if he served during that time, and if so I'm asking him to email me with his active duty info (full name with middle initial, branch of service, where he served on active duty and graduation year from HHS).

I'm still enjoying the CD you sent and was glad to see all the well-deserved kudos you received from other alumni who received it.

Thanks for ALL that you and ALL THE EDITORS do for us!

Best regards,

Joe Carfora



Letters



Hi, everybody! Could you post the following notice for an appearance by Stardust in the May and June issues of HixNews?

Stardust, my a cappella doo wop group, will be appearing at Mangia Italian Restaurant, 785 Deer Park Ave., North Babylon, NY 11703, on Sunday, June 24 for two shows. Please call John at 631-661-6188 for reservations. We hope to say hello to lots of Hicksville alumni.

Thanks,

Bob Masone ('62)

Hi,

I had sent in an announcement that Stardust, my a cappella doo-wop group, would be appearing at Mangia Restaurant on June 24. However, the member of the band who booked it didn't confirm with the owner, so June 24 is NOT happening. We are looking into a date in July (possibly July 1) and I will then send an announcement about it to you. Sorry for the confusion.

Bob Masone ('62)



Fun Links



(Left to right: Bob, Chris, Angela, Steve, Marc)

*Disclaimer: All links have been visited by our staff and appear safe but please use caution, anti-virus and common sense when visiting **any** links on the web.*

This is an incredible video called the biggest anthill. I cannot believe the result of an investigative excavation. Yes, incredible!!!

<http://www.dump.com/biggestant/>

Updates



Good Morning, Hicksville High School.

Could you add my name to list of HixNews subscribers?

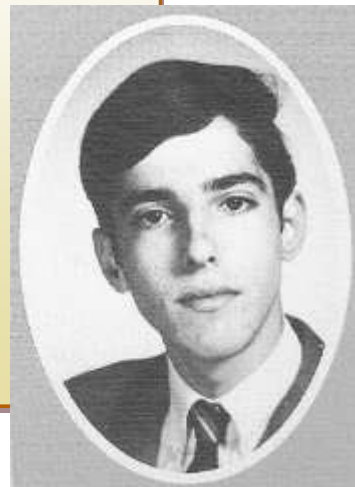
My name is JOHN ROZOS and I graduated HHS in 1971.

I am a very low-tech kind of guy, but is there a way to contact some of my old classmates from 1971? I see a lot of familiar names.

Our family resided on Linden Boulevard (Lee Avenue School) from 1955 through 1972. I presently reside in Poland Spring, Maine for 30 years. I don't get down to Hicksville at all, but I have fond memories of our town from the 1960's and 70's. It was a good place to grow up!

Thank you very much and if you need further information, please let me know

John Rozos 1971



Please note by email address has changed. My old email address, (concealed) will be shut down shortly. It is being replaced by (concealed) Please make note of this change.

Thank you.


Delia Sackmann Fitzgerald



Dear Delia,

I am not able to change your subscription email. You must use the subscription box in the upper-left of our homepage at: <http://www.hixnews.com/>

Best, Henry

 H. Lichtenstein



Updates

**“ KEEP
UP TO DATE WITH
WHAT’S
GOING ON ”**

Dear Editors:

Thank you so much for putting in a link to our 50th reunion website and Karen's email info - we appreciate it. Please continue to put the info in up until October so that people can see it each month. Have a great day.

Thanks

Pat Appelman Levitin 1962

This is for my father, William Cisler from the class of 1947. Dad is in a care home and has no Internet access. He no longer has his email address so I am substituting mine so that we can remain in the loop.

Thanks for the newsletter.

Dorothy Cisler Hoard

Editor note:

We have updated our files.

Dorothy

I don't see your name on our mailing list. I see John or Jack Cisler, then Carol Murgola Cisler.

Did you graduate from Hicksville (I assume you did)?

Your dad's email was updated on our mail list.

Thanks

Please let me know about you.

Regards

buffalo bob casale

Fun Links

Unbelievable Video Presentation

You will say WOW multiple times. Worth the watch!

3D WITHOUT GLASSES

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=EEu42L0ufBY



Reunions



Kathie Minardi
MaryJane Waters
Pat Kofahl

Dear HixNews

Kathie Svercel (Minardi), MJ Graswald (Waters) and Pat DeMaria (Kofahl) got together in Port Jefferson and had lunch to catch up and talk about old times. Things never change no matter how many years have gone by. Good friends remain good friends.

Hello, My husband was in the Hicksville High School graduating class of 2002. I was wondering if you have any information on the class of 2002's 10-year reunion???

If not, can you please tell me where I can get more information. Thank you.

Makeez Ayoub

Makeez

Your husband's name does not appear on our master list of alumni. As a matter of fact, there is no one from that class that appears on our master list.

You can have your husband become a member if you go to the Home Page <http://hixnews.com>

On the left side of the page is a box that says Google Groups E-Mail. Type in your husband's email address and submit. Henry will then register your husband.

We have no news of any reunion plans and when looking at the classmates listing of planned reunions, there isn't anything showing for the class of 2002.

We can put a note into the June issue of the newsletter to see if there is someone out there who can answer your question.

Thanks

buffalo bob casale

editor

Reunions



Dear Alumni

If anyone who reads this knows anyone from the class of 2002 or is familiar with any plans for a reunion of the 2002 graduating class, please send a note to editors@hixnews.com

Wondering if there is a reunion for class of '68?? 2013 will be 45 years. Am willing to help if that is needed.

Lynn O'Riordan (McMorrow) 1968

Please send a note to editors@hixnews.com if you know of any plans



Happy Father's Day

The text 'Happy Father's Day' is written in large, bold, blue and red letters. Three cartoon faces of smiling men are integrated into the text: one above the 'y' in 'Happy', one to the left of the 't' in 'Father's', and one to the right of the 'y' in 'Day'.

Happy Fathers Day



Thanks

Hi Bob & the HixNews gang:

Thank you so much for the sweet Happy Birthday card you sent me. I enjoyed it very much! You guys are doing a fantastic job! Wishing you all the very best.

Harri Molese, 1956



What a pleasant surprise! Thanks to all of you for sending your best wishes. I so enjoy reading the HHS Newsletter. Brings back fond memories. Again thank you for all your efforts.

Jeannette (Beauregard) Wiesenhahn 1957

Tony and I thank Bob and the editors for the lovely anniversary card. Yes, the "nicest couple" class of '59 made it to our 50th anniversary. Still in love, still standing despite many bumps and bruises along the way. We credit our families and Hicksville High

School upbringing and education in helping us achieve this goal. We still keep contact with HHS friends and often wear our matching COMETS sweatshirts given to us by our daughter. Thank you for helping so many others and us keep those special memories of our youth alive.

Anthony (Tony) and Eileen Walter Toscano 1959



Nicest Couple



More Thanks!

Beautiful card. Thank you, Bob and Newsletter crew. Bill and I don't know where the past 40 years have gone and are grateful for the good life we have enjoyed. Best to you.

Kathy McDonald Corey 1960



HICKSVILLE
COMETS



Thank you all for the great birthday card. It was a wonderful way to kick start my day.

Elaine Krauss 1961



Thanks so much for the wonderful birthday card and for all the hard work that you do to keep us in touch with friends from Hicksville.

Sincerely,

Steve Weinblatt (Class of 1962)

Grazi, Gracias, Danke, Merci

Bob, HixNews Editors and Jacquie,
Thanks for the birthday card. I enjoyed it.
Best,
Hugh Hansen 1964



Thanks to Bob Casale and all the staff
at HixNews for the lovely anniversary card
Doreen (Jakabek) Wittig '65
Palm Bay, Florida



Thank you all so much for your Anniversary wishes. It is 47 for us this year.

The card and music are lovely!

Barbara DiBella (1962) & John Dowd



You guys are full of Thanks!



Hi Hix News,

Thanks so much for the birthday greetings. Appreciate all your work on the newsletter and look forward to each month's edition.

Two housekeeping items: I have left Maryland and moved to Myrtle Beach SC. Also, received an anniversary card meant for my brother and sister in law, Peter and Colleen Sluder, (Class of 77). Pete's email address is petersluder@gmail.com.

All good wishes to Hix News and its readers

LeRoy Sluder

Thank you so much for the very warm Anniversary greetings. Eileen and I appreciate your taking the time to honor our 51st.

Al & Eileen Sypher

Thanks so much for the birthday wishes!

Debbie (Moorhouse) McGregor 1975



Dear HixNews

Thanks everyone for the birthday card!

Roe Marchese Genovese 1961



Thank you for the Anniversary Card, that was so nice!

Debbie Fischer & Don Dowdell 1973



It is our pleasure!

Dear Bob and the Gang,

Thank you so much for the beautiful Anniversary card. It was perfect, as butterflies have a special meaning for me. One of our daughters was born on our 8th anniversary & as a rule, we don't celebrate much but HER birthday, so it was a nice surprise to get your card. Cliff & I celebrated our 47th anniversary this year -- closing in on the BIG one! You can bet that one will be OURS and her birthday will take a "backseat" that year! LOL

Once again thank you for making me smile and for the wonderful job you guys doing keeping the good old days alive. All your hard work is much appreciated!

Carol (Mack) Berry

Class of 1963



Bob & the HixNews staff:

Just wanted to say thank you so much for the birthday card. It was adorable! I have a cat and a dog so I really appreciated it!

Irene Bilancia Boehm 1973



Hi Bob

Just a note to let you know that Suzie (Birosh, Class of 60) and myself Tony Prete (Class of 59) will be celebrating our 50 Wedding Anniversary on June 16th 2012. We will celebrate by taking our whole family, both daughters, their husbands and our 3 grandsons to Maui for 2 weeks. Sue and I have been living here in the San Diego area since 1975. If you need a little more bio info let me know.

Best Regards, Tony & Sue "Birosh" Prete

Tony and Sue

What an exciting trip that will be. I must give you my sister Pat's phone number and perhaps you can give her a call and say hello. She's back on Maui after moving to Las Vegas and finding the economy there to be more desperate than in other states. As a matter of fact, Las Vegas leads the country in the foreclosure market. It's understandable when you consider the drop in revenue for casinos forcing layoffs and astronomical cutbacks. My brother in law, Alan, and Pat moved to Vegas because Alan had retired and he wanted to be close to his parents. .

Before you leave on your trip, I will send you Pat's phone.

Warm Regards

Bob

Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

Dear Classmates

I've mailed the Golden Oldies discs to everyone on the mailing list who requested a copy with the exception of two people because I never got (or lost because of my email problems) snail mail addresses for Charlotte Sanzano and Helen Bereznik. Wait a couple of days, all others, to see if a disc arrives. If not, let me know and I will follow up.

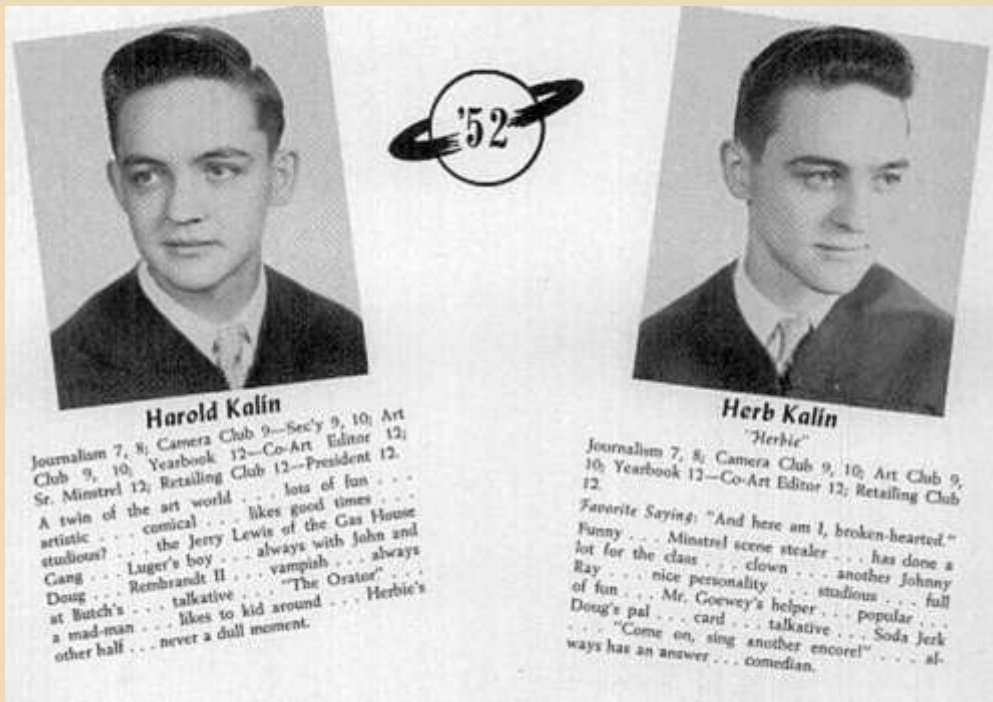
Thanks

love yah

buffalo bob casale

Thanks to Tom Steedman, class of 1960, for the following...

Found this in a 1952 Port Jervis, NY HS yearbook. Thought you might be interested.



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UAM6QkpVIJg&feature=related>

Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

Dear Bob: That was so sweet of you to send me the disk. I loved the selections and was so excited to receive it: So sorry to get back to you so late. I was away and did not look to often in my email. Do you remember the song I asked you if you had? Was it "your mine and we belong together?"

Love Charlotte Sanzano Notaro

Charlotte

I remember very well and I did send you a link. Here it is again.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fVRTCKTJU5Q>

Glad you enjoyed the disc. After the May edition of the newsletter was posted, I had five more requests for the CD's. Enjoy Robert and Johnny and You're Mine, and We Belong Together.

love yah bob

Hi Bob,

I just wanted to thank you once again for the great oldies cd you sent. I keep it in my car so I can listen to it anytime. I had some 'older' friends listen to it and they immediately made a copy. It was so nice and thoughtful of you to share the musical memories. I think of your kindness whenever I listen to it.

Thank you,

Toni Izzo

Editor Note:

You're very welcome!!!

Fun Links

These pics were taken from an airplane and you have to guess where the location is.

There are 16 photos and you probably won't get a perfect score and will also miss at least one you'll say you should have gotten correct!

http://www.guessthespot.com/index.php?cat_id=3: GuessTheSpot.Com - How Well Do You Know Landmarks

Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!



Bob,

I would be honored to have a copy of the oldies CD you created. I forget, sometimes, how much I loved that music.

Stephen Backman

Editor Note:

Disc was sent and received.

Hi Bob

Can I still get a copy of the oldies CD?

Joe Ingino

Joe

I will burn a copy today and get it off to you tomorrow (Wednesday, May 9). Please send me your snail mail address.

Thanks

Bob

Joe & Kathleen

The CD's were burned this morning and put into my mailbox.

The postal carrier here in Georgia has her own vehicle that has a steering wheel on the same side as the vehicles in England.

That is because, the postal carrier, drives from mailbox to mailbox and hardly ever gets out of her vehicle.

We have no collection mailboxes on the street, on corners, etc.

The postal carrier retrieves all new mail being sent from the mailbox in front of each home.

Expect to see the disc in several days. Hope you enjoy!!!

If there is any problem, please let me know.

Warmest regards

buffalo bob casale

Hi Bob

Thank you so much for the CD. It's great and it was so nice of you to send me a copy.

Thanks again

Joe Ingino

Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

Was wondering if I could get a copy of the CD Bob made?
Ronnie Klein Witlin 1969

Note from Bob:

Send me your snail mail address and I will burn a copy and send to you.

Received the CD and thanks so much. I can't seem to find the list of songs and artists. Could you possibly email it to me? Thanks again.

Ronnie

On the disc is the following

Song	Artist
A Casual Look	Little Clydie & The Teens
A Million To One	Jimmy Charles
A Thousand Stars	Kathy Young & The Innocents
Angel Baby	Rosie & The Originals
Chapel of Dreams	The Dubs
Could This Be Magic	The Dubs
She Cried	Jay Trainor & The Americans
Deep Purple	Billy Ward & The Dominoes
The Aisle of Love	The Quin-Tones
The Worst That Could Happen	Brooklyn Bridge featuring Johnny Maestro
Every Night	The Chantels
Have You Heard	The Duprees
I Believe	Larry Chance & The Earls
I Only Have Eyes For You (Are The Stars Out Tonight)	The Flamingoes
In The Still of the Night	The Five Satins
It Happened Today	The Skyliners
Tears On My Pillow	Little Anthony & The Imperials
My Own True Love	The Duprees
Out of Sight, Out of Mind	The Five Keys
Send Me Someone To Love	The Moonglows
Sea of Love	Phil Phillips
Stardust	The Dominoes
Please Don't Ask Me To Be Lonely	The Dubs
Glory Of Love	The Five Keys
Dedicated to the One I Love	The Shirelles
It's Twilight Time	The Platters
Uptown	The Crystals
Welcome Me Love	Brooklyn Bridge featuring Johnny Maestro
Will You Love Me Tomorrow	The Shirelles

Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

Hi:

I would like to receive a copy of the Oldies CD. Please let me know how I can receive a copy.

Thank you.

Flo Harrison Gargano-Raine '62

Note from Bob:

Please send me your snail mail address.

Thanks

love yah bob

(We received her address and the disc was sent).



Dear Bob,

Thanks for sending the Oldies CD. Listening to the music that was so popular in our days brought back many good memories of our high school years!

It was very generous of you to send me the CD.

Is there any chance that I may receive the CD that everyone is writing about? Apparently Bob did a fantastic job and I'd love to hear it. Just let me know re: \$.

Thank you

Kathleen (Donovan) Agiesta 1958

Editor Note:

Disc was sent.



Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

Hi Bob,

After reading this month's newsletter (which is great --- as always), I was wondering if your CD is still available? I'd be happy to reimburse you for the expense if you are still sending them.

If you are, I now live in Farmingdale (no more Florida)...

Sandy Brindisi 1966

I'll burn a copy and get it off to you. It was something I created for myself because I am a big Doo Wop fan from the old days. A Friend of mine put together a band called Dr. K's Motown Review. They are going to be appearing this Thursday (May 3rd) at Singleton's on the corner of Hicksville Road and Hempstead Turnpike. The group is fantastic and well worth going to see. You would not regret the effort.

love yah bob



Thanks Bob:

I think I saw this group at one of the Town of Oyster Bay's Summer Concert series. They were great. Maybe I'll make it to Singleton's. Thanks again for all the great things you do for the "Grown Up Kids" from Hicksville.

Love

Sandy B.

Editor Note:

They were at Hicksville High School and were the opening act for Johnny Maestro and the Brooklyn Bridge. That was July of 2008 and I was there.

Bob thanks for the birthday card and with perfect timing to enjoy today... I received the CD yesterday. Wonderful songs and memories.

Sandy

My thanks to Bob Casale for sending the "Oldies" CD to me at my Florida address. I really enjoyed listening to it. Bob is a most generous person having sent out many of these CDs and asking nothing in return. It is my fervent wish that his type of generosity spreads throughout the world then perhaps peace would reign.

Thanks again

Kathleen Donovan Agiesta 1958

Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

Hi Bob,

If it's not too late, I'd like a copy of the CD.

Thanks.

Lynn Clock Bammann 1965

Lynn

No. It's not too late...

As a matter of fact, I just burned a copy of the CD and it's going into my mailbox as I write. Well, actually it will go into the mailbox after I finish this note.

love yah buffalo bob

Thanks so much, Bob. Reading the May issue of Hix News and all the comments about the great CD inspired me. My husband and I are both fans of the "oldies" and have learned to appreciate the doo-wop music which was a little before our time. We just saw a great concert in Bellmore, a group called Kenny Vance and the Planotones. I don't know if you're familiar with them but we discovered them several years ago and have now been to 6 of their concerts. Kenny is one of the founding members of Jay and the Americans. He sings all the old songs and has a great voice. I recommend his concerts. Try googling him to hear the group and look up the next local concert. I think you might become a fan too.

By the way, you have some of my all time favorite songs on the CD. Can't wait to play it.

Lynn

I used to do the circuit when I was living in New York. The Summer Concert series sponsored by the Nassau Parks & Recreation had some very lively performers. Then, the Westbury Music Fair had some great doo-wop shows. That is where I first saw Kenny Vance. He was part of a great show and he was the best.

I lived in Hicksville basically all my life. Ted Swedalla from the class of 1964 and me, from the class of 1961, we opened a plumbing and heating supply business on West John Street on October 22, 1977.

A good friend from the class of 1969, Paul Korman, put a band together several years ago and they've become a success in the New York Metro area.

They played last night (May 3rd) at Singleton's in Bethpage. These guys are good!!!

Check it out at <http://drksmotownrevue.com/>

Once at the website, you can scroll down and listen to some of their music

love yah bob

This conversation continued on the next page...

Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

I had heard of Dr K's Motown Revue. I checked out the website- they sound really good. I lived on LI- moved to Baldwin after getting married but we relocated near Albany about 1 1/2 years ago. We still visit Hicksville on a regular basis.

Lynn

Hi Bob,

Just wanted to thank you for the CD. It came today (Tuesday, May 8) and I'm playing it right now- great song choices!

Lynn

Glad you're enjoying the CD. These are some of my favorite songs and the disc was something I made because I wanted to plop it into the CD player in my car and enjoy. I actually drove from Augusta to New York and played this several times, some Carpenters music, the Brooklyn Bridge and the discs from my Time Life library of music.

love yah bob

Bob,

Sounds like we have similar taste in music. There's nothing like the old songs. I have no interest in today's music. I hope you've had a chance to see Tommy Sullivan perform. If not, see if you can arrange it when you visit NY. We've seen him a couple of times now and have really enjoyed him. Once he knows you're from Hicksville you feel like you're part of his show- he has a real allegiance to our hometown.

Lynn

Lynn

Tommy is special and that is one reason why we highlighted him this month in the new category we like to call Alumni of the Month. Check it out and let me know your thoughts.

love yah bob

p.s. Tommy and his original group performed at our reunion for the class of 1961 back in May of 2004.

Bob

The biography of Tommy Sullivan was great. My husband and I both enjoyed it.

Lynn



Thanks so much for the Oldies Disc!

Hi Bob

A lot of info on songs and artist could be found at SecondHandSongs.com.

Type in Pied Piper in the search area and you get a listing of the writer, song, and artist.

Go back to YouTube.com/music and type in the artist and song and you should find a bunch of songs the artist sang or covers of the song and be downloaded in .mp3 format.

There should be a way HixNews could upload songs to their website and alumni could download their choice of song or artist in .mp3 format.

It would save a lot of time making the CD's plus the savings on postage.

Bill Dylewski 1962



Fun Links

Dancing With The Stars

<http://sorisomail.com/partilha/196015.html>

This is a short program well worth the four plus minutes it runs!!!

New Readers

Welcome



John Berlenbach 1962



Ken Seltzer 1966



John Rozos 1971



Chip Jaworski 1963

Trina Fiedler London 1968

Debra Branham Daly 1974

Brian Foley 1978

Claude Wieman 1985

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Looking for



I received your list of members of the distribution of the HixNews e-mail and noticed that although I receive the newsletters my name is not included on your list. Would you please update your info to include me? Thanks.

Lynn Clock Bammann, 1965

I just checked our list. You are listed at line #785:

1965 Bammann Lynn Clock

 Best, Henry

Hello, This may be a repeat of an email I had a little trouble sending you, but I'm trying it again just for insurance. My name is Mike Picofsky. I live in the Philadelphia area. I went to Army flight school with Chris Polanski, who, I remember, always talked about his hometown of Hicksville. A newsletter of yours states that a girl named Kathy has emailed him, which seems to conflict with info from another site that has him KIA in Nam? It looks like he was probably in the class of '61. I wonder if you could put me in touch with either Chris or Kathy. Thanks in advance, Mike

Editor note:

Sent a note to Chris who confirmed knowing Mike. We sent Chris' email address to Mike.

Dear Gayle (Whitson) McCarthy,

You were looking for Don **Eiseman**, but we found Don **Eismann** for you instead!

I think it's the Don that you were looking for; you just misspelled his last name.

His email address is included in his note (attached below).

Best, Henry

 **H. Lichtenstein**



Looking for



Neil Barrocas

This is Neil Barrocas class of '64 I am looking for Thomas Cardinal also class of '64.

Lost touch ages ago.

Thanks

Neil




Thomas Cardinal

Hi Neil,

We have no info for Thomas Cardinal, but your search inquiry has been added to our "Looking for People" list.

Best, Henry

 H. Lichtenstein



Jessica Susan Sanders

Hi Bob,

I'd love to find Jessica Susan Sanders 1962. Last I saw her was over 40 yrs ago in NYC. Don't know if she married, or anything other than it was a long time ago. I am planning on attending the 50 Year Reunion in October of this year. I've been meaning to send you a bio; will do this week. Thanks for all your work. It's appreciated.

To your good health and blessings.

Ricki (Pollak) McKenna, 1962




Ricki (Pollak) McKenna

Hi Ricki,

I have added your inquiry about Jessica Susan Sanders to our "Looking for People" list.

Best, Henry

 H. Lichtenstein

Looking for...

Jeff Walker, Class of 1965, is looking for Deborah Wells from the class of 1970.



I would like to e-mail or phone a friend (Chickie Horan) from the class of 61. How do I find her e-mail address or phone number? It does not appear on the members list.

Hank Landau 1960



Dear Mary Ellen (Chickie) Horan,

Hank Landau from the HHS Class of 1960 has expressed a desire to contact you (see his request attached, below). His email is (concealed).

Best, Henry



H. Lichtenstein



Looking for...



To find Don Myers 1966 go to "you might be from Hix if" on facebook. He puts comments there.

Bob Bittner 1968



A note from Steve Wagner:

Does anyone know anything about Brian Viejo who was a classmate in 1969?



Happy
Fathers
Day! ★



Still looking for....



Dear Class of 1971

Can someone please scan a yearbook picture of John Rozos?

Thanks

love yah

buffalo bob casale

HixNews

I don't have a picture but can you tell us why? John was a friend.

Deborah Hope Wayne, Esq.

Deborah

John was not, but now is, aware of the Hicksville Newsletter. John sent his name in to become a subscriber to the monthly notice that advises our alumni of the newsletter publication. There are so many former students that have no idea we publish a wonderful newsletter.

love yah

buffalo bob casale



Bob

I can get you a scanned picture of John from the '71 yearbook. Not clear to me from your response to Deborah why you need it? Please advise.

Wayne Sternberger

Thanks. Someone sent me a scan already. John asked to become a subscriber to HixNews, the newsletter. I am one of the editors and create the newsletter page. I have a section called new readers and I list all those who want to subscribe. I like to put a picture to the name, so the reason for asking to scan his picture.

Now I can put his picture next to his name.

Thanks, Wayne

Regards

buffalo bob casale

More "Looks"



Below is a note I sent to John Monaco...

I had an email supposedly from you generated by a high school network.

I didn't recognize your name and when checking our 1961 yearbook, your picture does not show. Did you graduate with the class of 1961?

Do you have a question?

Please respond

Thanks

Buffalo Bob Casale

Hicksville Newsletter

Now I understand. I'm not familiar with the site that housed your note (High School Network).

I tried to retrieve your note but couldn't. I did see the name Howie Sell, but that only confused the issue.

Fortunately, there was an email address for you. Confusing, too, was the inference that you graduated from HHS in 1961.

Yes, Howie was a classmate.

I will get the two of you together.

Thanks

Bob

Bob

Thanks for getting to me. I graduated from Bryant High School In Astoria, Queens NY.

I assume you're from Hicksville HS?

I was searching for a 1961 Hicksville grad, Howard Sell; his sister Dorothy was a few years older and they lived in Astoria, but moved to HV about 1958?

For some reason when I got in to the web page for Hicksville high school, I became a grad of your school and please don't ask me how this happened.

But if you know Howard and can let me know, that would be great.

Thanks

John

Bob,

I haven't seen or heard from Johnny Monaco since I moved from Astoria (P.S. 6) to Hicksville (Burns Avenue) in 1953 at 10 years old. I know that my mind is playing tricks on me but I remember it being right out of a movie - me crying and waving goodbye through the window as he chased the car down the street. We're both older than dirt now. With less than 10 years together and 60 years apart, I'm not sure either of us will live long enough to catch the one other up. Thanks for helping him find me.

Howie Sell 1961



Passages



Hello,

I came across that Madeline Wicksel passed away in 2010 I had her for a third grade teacher in I think it was 1972 and she was great. I actually called her about 5 years ago and she was very happy to hear from me. I was wondering was there ever a mention in a newsletter? I would love to read it and I hope there is a picture of her.

Thanks

Jeff Anderson

Jeff

Don't see you on our mailing list. What class were you in? When you registered, if you did, what email address did you use? Please advise. Thanks

buffalo bob casale

Editor Note:

Go to the Home Page <http://hixnews.com>. In the Google search box that appears on the right, type in Wicksel.

A new page should open with two articles shown...the first should have the following header (PDF) Hicksville High School Newsletter

Click on that article. A new frame opens with the newsletter page. Scroll down the page almost to the bottom and find a header that says "We Love Our Teachers" and see Wicksel. I hope this helps.

Thanks for the information, I did see that newsletter but I guess I scrolled right passed it. I was looking where teachers have passed. I thought she would have had a bigger mention in the newsletter since she was one of the best teachers at the school I'm a bit surprised by that. I was in her 3rd grade class sometime in the early 70's. I'm not on a mailing list. I just came across the newsletter online and found an email on it and wanted to see what issue Mrs. Wicksel was in after her passing.

Thanks for your help

Jeff

We certainly would have had a "bigger mention" if one were available. When I searched for an obituary, that was the extent of what was found. Thanks for your interest.

bob

Passages



Good afternoon

I received news yesterday of the death of one of my classmates. I would like to pass this along to our readers and enlist him on our deceased alumni.

Thank you.

Steven E. Rickert passed away at the age of 61 on October 13, 2011 from complications following knee surgery. He was in the Class of 1968.

Sincerely,

Dianne Gunnigle Burkhardt 1968



Wanted to let you know about Patricia Farnan ('67) who died from a staph infection in 1975. She was a good friend and she introduced me to my first husband (not from Hicksville). Her nickname was Spodie and she was a major kick in the pants. I still miss her.

Marianne Carine Hoerner 1968

Founding Member - Plain Clothes Nuns

Chris Anglim, the son of Joyce Clements Anglim and Mickey Anglim, dealt with Lymphoma for awhile. He went for his first chemo treatment on Tuesday, May 8th. Chris went home after the treatment to relax. Without warning, he passed away in the early evening hours.

The Medical Examiner ruled the cause of death was from Blood Clots. Chris was waked at Wagner Funeral Home on Old Country road in Hicksville. The wake was on Saturday & Sunday, May 12th & 13th.

A service for Chris was at Holy Family Church 10 AM on Monday, May 14.

Interment was at Holy Rood Cemetery on Old Country Road in Westbury.

All of us at the Hicksville Newsletter share in the grief of the Anglim family and with the many friends who will miss the warm personality that Chris shared with all.

We previously mourned the passing of Mickey back in July of 2009.

Thanks to Carl Probst for advising the newsletter of this recent tragedy.



Mickey Anglim



Joyce Clements

Passages



I don't know if you can add my son, Clifford Garone, a 1972 Graduate. Clifford passed away on April 8th in 2004 of cardiac arrest.

Also, can you please add my daughter, Gina Garone? Gina graduated back in 1977.

Thanks for your consideration

Mary Garone

Dear Mary Garone,

Our records show that the email address you are using is subscribed by Loretta Garone, class of 1970. I assume she is another daughter of yours?

One of the other editors will add your son Clifford's name to the 1972 "In Memoriam" list.

As for your daughter Gina, she can subscribe herself by using the Google subscription box in the upper-left corner of our homepage at: <http://hixnews.com>

But Gina can't subscribe by using the same email address as you and Loretta are using, because each individual subscription has to be for a unique email address.

If, however, you are all using the same email address, I can simply add Gina's name to our Class list.

Let me know what you would like to do.

Best, Henry



H. Lichtenstein

Thank you for the speedy reply. The email addresses for Gina and Loretta are attached (both concealed for security reasons). Yes, they both are my daughters and "Thank You again for your help.

Sincerely

Mary Garone

Hi Mary,

I can not subscribe anyone myself; but both Gina and Loretta are free to subscribe themselves, using their own email addresses, by going to our homepage at <http://hixnews.com> and then entering their own email addresses in the Google subscription box in the upper-left corner of our homepage.

Best, Henry

Passage

Dear HixNews

I would like to add two people to the graduate list.

Kevin Lillis 1964, was in the Navy 1966-70, serving on an aircraft carrier in Viet Nam.

Pennie Wilbur Lillis, 1966. Pennie was my sister and died in 2005.

Thanks, Bonnie Wilbur Connelly, 1960



Editor Note:

Bonnie, what do you mean, "add to the graduate list?"

Are you referencing the In Memoriam list? Please advise.

love yah bob

The list I mentioned is the one that is listed by year of graduation. Pennie Wilbur Lillis would be the In Memoriam list. Sorry that I did not make my request clear.

Thanks,

Bonnie Wilbur Connelly 1960

Dear Editors,

I am compelled to write to you after coming across my late father-in-law's photo on a web page. Paul A. Tava was my client, friend and father-in-law (all in that order). He died six months after his beloved NYC fell under attack on 9/11. Attached is an email he wrote to our family and friends, canceling the wedding celebration of my marriage to his eldest son, Paul S. Tava. Please feel free to share this. For those who knew Paul A. Tava, knew him to be extremely intelligent, witty, funny and driven! He is sorely missed by our family and colleagues. For the past three years, Paul and I have. I sure wish he were here with us today.

Most Sincerely,

Ellie Tava

Editor Note:

Go to Alumni of the month to view Paul's email to his family.



Dear Buffalo Bob

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

Part 1: A note to Dennis Listort:

Dennis

Where did you live in Bayside?

My first residence was from 1950 to 1953 and that was at 223-15 69th Avenue. Alley Pond Park was a stones throw from the apartment houses. The second place we lived was 64-48 218th Street and that was directly opposite PS46. I went to PS46 from 1950-1954, then of to Nathaniel Hawthorne Junior High PS74 that was opposite Horace Harding Boulevard (soon to be the expressway). We moved from Bayside in October of 1955 and I was in the eighth grade and part of the first students at the new high school. Hard to believe that Hicksville High is 57 years old.

buffalo bob casale

Hi Bob

I lived in Bayside only for about a year or so, from the time I was seven. I was enrolled in St. Kevin's Catholic School (wherever that was). Then we moved to Hicksville in 1954, and I enrolled in the third grade at Old Country Road School. I don't recall the street name in Bayside, but I do remember it was a three-story apartment complex.

Thank you.

Dennis Listort '64

P.S. I'll ask my sister if she remembers the Bayside street name.

St. Kevins School was in Flushing...that is down the road from Bayside. I don't remember any three-story apartment complexes in Bayside. They did have in Fresh Meadows.

Regards

Bob

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Dear Buffalo Bob

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

And now for Part 2: A Note to Kathy Kutz Lyman

I'm just finishing up a portion of the May newsletter. I ran across your note once again and had forgotten that you moved away, so I looked at the 1965 yearbook and guess what? There is a Kathleen Lyman who graduated in 1965. Thought it kinda strange since you would up with the married name of Lyman. Did you know the other Kathleen?

Thanks

love yah bob



KATHLEEN LYMAN
35 Brooks Street College
All School Council 3, 4; Band 2, 3, 4; Class Hockey 2, 3; Class Volleyball 2, 3; FTA 3; Jr. Prom Committee 3; Jr. Seminar 3; J.V. Cheerleaders 4; J.V. Field Hockey 3; Leaders Club 4; Modern Music Masters 2, 3, 4; Service Squad 2, 3, 4; Sr. Ball Committee 4; Softball 2, 3, 4; Sportsnight 2, 3

I am so thrilled that I found you! I did not know Kathleen Lyman. It is a strange world! I googled my own name once and I am the only Kathlene Lyman in the white pages. Check the spelling of my first name. When I lived on Crescent Street, the classmates who lived on the same street were Jimmy Fischer, Mike Mueller, Patty McNally and myself. When Woodland opened, we rode our bikes to school together. We went to catechism together at St Ignatius. Also on our street were Jimmy Rodecker, Maureen Malizia, the Donner girls, and a few others. I remember Joanne Pani in our group. Later in elementary school, I remember a Diane Millet; I think that was her last name. I remember some teachers at Woodland: Mrs. Tarasco in 6th grade, "Toe, Knee, Buckle", as we used to call him, and perhaps a Mrs. Lincoln. I was the one who fainted in class after receiving my polio pioneer shot! In the photo of that first grade class, I am the fourth in the row behind the person who submitted the photo.

More later,

Kathy



So ends another episode of "Dear Buffalo Bob"

Take in next month for another nostalgic episode, sure to bring back wondrous memories... we hope!

Hicksville Memories

Last month's challenge

Give us your memories of :
Wetson's on
Old Country Road and
Levittown Parkway!



A fond memory of the Wetson's on Old Country Road was the evening of Friday, 30 April 1967. I remember the date because on the way home from school that day, I asked my high school sweetheart Lily Collazo '69 to go steady. My band, The Reactions (Mark Virgilio '67, Ken Philcox '67, Johnny Norris '68, Rich Delia '68 and myself), had a gig that evening at Mark's church. Another band showed up before us and set up on stage. We had to set up on the floor and take turns playing sets. We finally got fed up, played one long set, then packed up and left. I didn't mind since it was actually my first date with Lily. Unfortunately, since only Ken and I had cars, I got stuck with a few passengers in the back seat. We stopped at Wetson's for a bite. While the guys went to get food, I attempted to drive away. I think it was Johnny Norris and Jimmy Wheeler who then jumped on the hood of my car to prevent me from leaving. I was able to convince them to stay there while I took Lily home (she lived nearby on Acre Lane) and returned to pick them up a little while later. Thanks to Wetson's for a little alone time.

Frank Koziuk '69

Useful Household Tips



Did You Know, You Can Flip A Toaster On its Side And Grill Cheese?

