

News about town

HHS Student Wins Nassau County Diving Championship

Lauren Cecco wins second straight county title



Lauren Cecco, a senior at Hicksville High School, recently won the Nassau County Diving Championship for the second consecutive year. She qualified for the New York State Championship in Ithaca for the fifth consecutive year, making the finals and finishing in the top-10 each year. Lauren is pictured on the left with coach Joanne Corio. Lauren will be attending the University of Connecticut on a diving scholarship.

[Click here for the whole story](#)

Photos provided and information courtesy of Antonnews.com

***Who knew we had a diving team?
Great job, Lauren!***



Letters

Dear Editors

I don't know whether or not you sent me a birthday card in November, if you did I didn't get it, but I have been having troubles with local teens stealing my mail from my rural mail box. So thank you if you sent a card.

Loretta McLaughlin 1966

BTW: I contacted the State Troopers and I believe they got the kiddies doing this, let's hope so.

Editor Note:

We don't send "real" cards via snail mail, only electronic cards via the internet.

Your name is on the birthday list for November, so you probably received a card electronically.

If we, in fact, missed you, we wish you a very happy birthday early for next year or late for this year. Thank heaven for them State Troopers.

love yah

buffalo bob casale

Bob,

I have 51 deceased on the In Memoriam list for the class of 1960 and the list on HixNews has 50. The one missing from the HixNews site is Helen Mangialomini Coulmas. You might want to check and see for sure if she was in the 1960 class as I am at our beach place and don't have the yearbook here.

I don't remember her.

Kathy McDonald Cory 1960

Editor Note:

Will check and let you know.

love yah bob

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Happy
New Year!

More letters



Kathy

I looked in the yearbook for Helen Mangialomini Coulmas but didn't see a graduation picture.

I also checked the various clubs thinking there might be a photo of her, to no avail.

The time frame and her age makes it appear that she would have graduated with the class of 1960.

[U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 2](#)
Schools, Directories & Church Histories

NAME: **Helen M Coulmas**
BIRTH: 3 Aug 1942
RESIDENCE: 1935-1993 - Hicksville, NY

[U.S. Public Records Index, Volume 1](#)
Schools, Directories & Church Histories

NAME: **Helen David Coulmas**
BIRTH: 3 Aug 1942
RESIDENCE: 1995 - Hicksville, NY

[Social Security Death Index](#)
Birth, Marriage & Death

NAME: **Helen Coulmas**
BIRTH: 3 Aug 1942
DEATH: 28 Apr 2009 - Amityville, Suffolk,
New York
CIVIL: New York

Matches below are less likely to be for your ancestor, but still might be helpful.

Names, dates, and locations on old records are often misspelled or different than you expect. Although you'll find fewer relevant matches the further you go, some might be helpful because we look for misspellings, abbreviations, and other possible dates & locations.. [Learn more](#)

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NAME: **Helen Coulmas**
DEATH: 28 Apr 2009
PUBLICATION: 8 May 2009 - Farmingdale, NY,
USA

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Name:	Helen Coulmas
Last Residence:	11701 Amityville, Suffolk, New York
Born:	3 Aug 1942
Died:	28 Apr 2009
State (Year)	New York (1958-1960)
SSN issued:	

Source Citation: ; Issue State: New York; Issue Date: 1958-1960.

Source Information:
Ancestry.com. Social Security Death Index (database online). Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2011.
Original data: Social Security Administration. Social Security Death Index, Master File. Social Security Administration.

Description:
The Social Security Administration Death Master File contains information on millions of deceased individuals with United States social security numbers whose deaths were reported to the Social Security Administration. Birth years for the individuals listed range from 1875 to last year. Information in these records includes name, birth date, death date, and last known residence. [LEARN MORE...](#)

Letters, letters, letters

Dear Hix News Editors,

Please post my query.

Since many of you from the class of 1960 shared our earlier grades too, I'm wondering if anybody out there remembers putting on Gilbert & Sullivan's "The Mikado" in junior high? I think it was the 8th or 9th grade.

I've been listening to that operetta a lot lately and love the film, "Topsy-Turvy" by Mike Leigh, which is about how G&S created the original production.

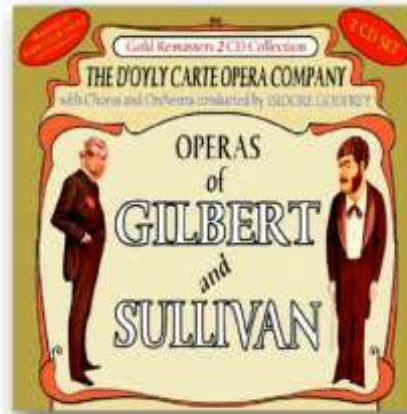
For the Junior High production I found myself one day inexplicably on my way to try-out for one of the singing parts (something I'd never done before or since), preferably Nanki-Pu, the guy that gets the beautiful maiden. I got the part of Pish-Tush. An old noble. He's the character who sings the title song though, along, somehow, with a chorus behind him. I loved doing it.

My mother made my period Japanese costume from bed sheets she dyed different colors. She did an excellent job. I was really proud to wear it. I think it was a brilliant choice by the school's music director to teach us about theater-craft. And it was great fun!

So, anybody else remember this? If yes, please write your experience of it.

Thanks

DennyTillman 1960



Maureen Uss Benson posted in you know you're from Hicksville, NY if... she asked "Who out there graduated in 1964 and where do you live now?"

Robin Kriss Rhea posted in You Know You're From Hicksville, NY if:

Class of 1972... Any former chorus kids remember this one?

I think that I shall never see,

A billboard lovely as a tree,

Indeed, unless the billboards fall,

I'll never, never, ever, ever, ever see a tree at all.



What's with the dang Newsletter?!

Hi,

Up to a couple of months ago I could get the monthly newsletter with no problems. Now it has changed and I can't get into it, even on the computer at the library. I'm not real computer literate so I doubt I can do anything with it. If you can make a few easy suggestions I will try it again.

You all do such a great job putting out the news, I hate missing it after all this time.

Sincerely,

Noel Horowitz Heinz

Editor Note: Noel, try clicking on the link to download the file to the computer you're using and view it that way. Be aware that the newsletter portion is a large file so give it some time to load, especially if you're on a slower Internet connection.

Roger Whitaker



Passages



Sad to announce the passing of Mike Donovan from the class of 1959. I've known Mike for years and, at one time, he worked next door to me on West John Street. May he rest in peace.

Buffalo Bob Casale

Editor Note:

This information received from Carl Probst.

Updates



Eileen Wieditz Moore Class of 1963 says...

Just celebrated my Husband Donald Moore (1960 HHS graduate) 50 years as a Hicksville Fire Department volunteer. So proud to share my life with him.



And a grateful "Thank you!" from all of us at HixNews for all your proud service!



Updates

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

Dear Friends & Family,

Please take note of our winter address: PO Box 37251, Tucson, AZ 85704 (Nov- Apr).

Thanks & happy holidays to all!

Judy Devincentis 1958 & Larry Morgan



Hello,

I'm Sidney Felman, class of 1961; my last name is erroneously listed as "Feldman" in the spreadsheet database.

Thanks,

Sid Felman

Please add me to the list

Thanks

Sally Byron

<first address removed for privacy>

<second address removed for privacy but I have to tell you it was in Africa!>

<first email removed for privacy>

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<fourth email removed for privacy>



Hi Sally,

If the "list" you refer to is our "HixNews" email-distribution list, then you must subscribe your own email address on our home page at: <http://hixnews.com>

The subscription box is in the upper-left corner of the page. Enter your email address and press the "Subscribe" button. When the auto-system prompts you for your name and class year, please enter your First (Maiden) Last name, and, optionally, your class year (if you graduated from HHS).

Thanx.



H. Lichtenstein



Thanks

Thanks Bob & The Gang at HixNews Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated, as always. You Guys take the extra step for Us all!

"Murry" Dalaimo 1959

Hi Bob,

First I want to thank you & the gang at HixNews for the birthday card. My reason for sending you this message may be a first for you. I have enjoyed the past efforts by you & your crew for keeping all of us informed about the events to all who subscribe to the Newsletter. However I have chosen to discontinue receiving future birthday cards and that the February newsletter of 2013 shall be my last. I am doing this by my own choice and it has nothing to do with you, your News crew, nor is it influenced by anything anyone has said or did. It is by my own choice for reasons I don't care to disclose.

In essence Bob I am shutting down, having just turned 75, I am retreating into my immediate circle of close friends, in good health, and going out with a winning hand so to speak. My high school years were great, and I've had a good life. Living during the fifties and sixties were the best! I don't want to end up on the obit list in the Newsletter. I'll pass quietly & privately as a true Scorpio. Life has been good to me.

Continue your good works Bob. You have a lot to be proud of. I had thought about turning over my 1955 year-book to you, but decided against it as there is too much information that should and will remain private.

As to the future, I hope the fifty-five class has a 60th re-union, as I missed the last, and my lines of communication remain open by email, phone or address in order to reach me. Other than that Bob, I hope you will abide by my requests. Other than that I wish you all the best with the Newsletter in the future. Thanks in advance and Merry Christmas to you and the gang at Hix news for all you do!

Very truly,

Hank Chupka 1955

Editor Note:

The newsletter is always available on our website <http://hixnews.com>

The only thing we need do is remove your name from the list that Henry uses to send the monthly note advising that the current issue of the newsletter was posted to our website. We will do that immediately rather than wait until your desire to end reading the newsletter in February of 2013.



More Thanks!

The card was nice. When I was young, I used to think age 72 was ancient. Now I think 72 is -- oh yeah - ancient! It's a good thing I don't feel that old.

Jim Wise

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Years go and years come but what will remain unchanged are the good wishes for you.

2013



HICKSVILLE
COMETS

Thank you so much for the birthday card and the anniversary card. I seldom open my Road Runner emails, so I am a little slow in replying. Thanks again!

Kathy "Cookie" Koziuk Hanniman 1960



*“Thanks for the card and for thinking of me.
It was much appreciated.”*

Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.
Minerva (Moddle) Kassinger 1949

Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.
Sue Birosh Prete 1960



Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.

Gayle (Whitson) McCarthy 1960



Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. Happy Birthday to all the other December babies.

Ann (Cassese) Costantino 1961



Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated. Stay well. I look forward to each newsletter and hope we will all enjoy them being sent with your efforts for the next 50 or 60 years. Take care, Thank you again

Bob Heiss 1961



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Bob and Mary Siegel 1962

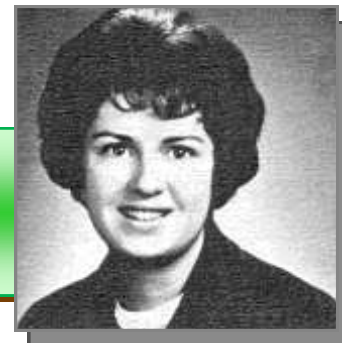


Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.

Elaine (Grecz) Libert

Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.

Judy (Manning) Baran 1963



Thanks for remembering my birthday! Wishing everyone at HixNews Happy Holy Days and a wonderful 2013!

Jeanne (Dethlefsen) Cornelsen 1963

*“Thanks for the card and for thinking of me.
It was much appreciated.”*

Hi Bob and newsletter staff,

Thanks so much for the lovely anniversary card. It was very thoughtful of you to remember us. The newsletter is fantastic. Keep up the good work.

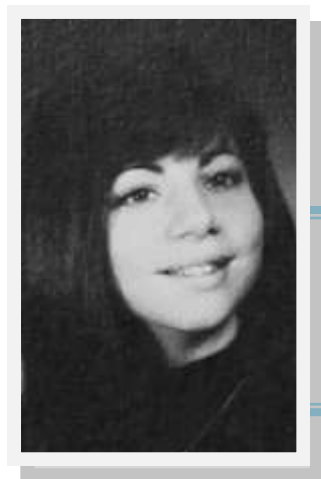
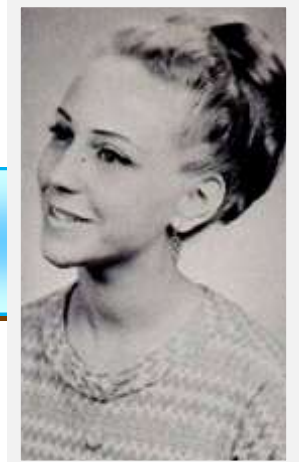
Charles and Lorrie Brooks 1965



Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.

Maureen (Carey) Ostroski 1965 & John Ostroski 1966

Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.
Pat (Ofenloch) Longo 1967



Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.

Hoping you all have a great holiday!

Peggy (O'Neil) Delia



Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.
Jeri Daniels 1970

*“Thanks for the card and for thinking of me.
It was much appreciated.”*



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John Ohrnberger

Thanks for the card and for thinking of me. It was much appreciated.
Ellen Finkelstein 1981

Hi...

Guess I never included my birthday when I joined your membership last spring. You can add my birthday: November 25 (1946)

I have been enjoying the newsletter every month and appreciate the work that you all dedicate to this project. It is obviously a "labor of love" and we all benefit from your enthusiasm and efforts.

Thanks.

Arnie (Arnold in HS) Fox 1964



Bob & the gang at HixNews

Thank you so much. That was a great birthday wish.

Joe Ingino 1967



Hi Bob.

Thanks for the card. It was truly different and gave me a good laugh, something which is always appreciated. Hope you and the gang all have a great holiday season.

Best wishes,

Ed Cochran 1968



Grazi, Gracias, Danke, Merci



Hey buff:

Thanks for remembering my birthday. I'm gonna have a buff bob do wop shop session and think of the old times that we enjoyed together. Be well.



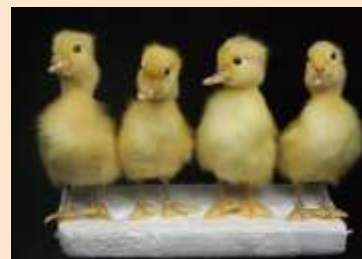
Fun Links

*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.*



Link to Suicide Ducklings

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRJutsn8SNk>



New Readers

Welcome

Richard Greguski 1965

Wendy (whitson) Greguski 1965



John Burke 1967



Marie Franzese Watts 1978



Looking for



I just opened you're looking for people list and saw where Joan Williams is looking for me.

Would you FWD her my e-mail address or e-mail me her e-mail address.

Thank you, Art

Arthur Lembke (49)

Editor Note:

Sorry, Art. You are the **"looker"** for Joan Williams, who is the **"lookee"** (being looked for by you). BTW, you are not the only one who has made this mistake. But I don't know how I can make it any clearer (in the list) who is doing the looking and who is being looked for.

Another explanation:

The **"lookee"** is the person who is being looked for, namely Joan. The **"looker"** is the person who is doing the looking, namely you. I am the one who maintains the "Looking for People" list, and I am the one who entered your inquiry about Joan.

If we had any information about Joan's whereabouts we would gladly give it to you. But, sadly, we don't. Once again, Joan is not looking for you (not to our knowledge, anyway); you are looking for Joan.

Capisce?

Best, Henry

H. Lichtenstein



Fun Links



Check out the following...a vegetable market...but not your ordinary market!!!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dsi_ItK-j30



Looking for



Dear HixNews

I'm looking for Diane Cuti Germain class of 1962 and Helen Luna Carr from the class of 1963. Robert "Whitey" Otten 1959

Editor Note:

Whitey has a new email address. Anyone needing to contact him, please send a note to editors@hixnews.com Lou Siracusa class of 1968 also has a new email, so send us a note and we will put you in touch.



Dear Diane Cuti Germain & Helen Luna Carr

Robert "Whitey" Otten, HHS Class of 1959, would like to get in touch with you.

Whitey's emails are (concealed).

Best, Henry



H. Lichtenstein

HixNews Systems



Henry

Thanks for forwarding the information. I will get in touch with Whitey.

Di

Thanks, Henry, for past help. You can delete me, Jeff Walker, looking for Jean Pius. I have made contact. Thanks again for your help. I hope you and your family have a nice holiday.

P. S. I'll let you know if I search for someone else.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Jeff Walker 1965

Editor Note:

Glad to help. Best wishes to you and yours.

Henry



Dear Buffalo Bob

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

Happy Birthday to our Buffalo Bob!

Thanks so much to all who sent me best wishes for a happy birthday. Nothing exciting happened with the exception of having Sarah for the weekend. She is special as all grand kids are. I marvel at the 7 year old and how she can navigate the internet and find whatever she wants without assistance.

Things are a lot different, we all realize, and I often wonder what it would have been like to have the same access kids have now at finding anything at anytime. I use the internet when doing the newsletter, when cooking, as I ponder how to clean something and for much, much more. As I said, thanks so much for remembering me on this day that used to be very special but lost a lot of validity as the family moved around so much. I miss seeing my family in Bethpage.

love yah

buffalo bob casale

My family has moved around a lot too, Bob, so I know what you mean, but having your granddaughter to celebrate your birthday with is special. I too marvel at how good our grandkids are on the computer. Can you imagine what they and the world will be like when they approach our age!!?? I think it will definitely be a different place and even much more advanced than we are now as technology continues to explode exponentially. I'm sorry I'm a day late here, but HAPPY BIRTHDAY once again and glad you received my card!

All the best,

Joe Carfora 1962

Fun Links

A Flashback to Christmas...

[A giggle with goats](#)



FLASHBACK

Loved the December issue. Enjoyed seeing the photo of Bahrenburg's Bakery; later sold to Englerts as awning on store shows. The Sweet Shop as we knew it next door to the bakery and I had forgotten all about Rogers 5 & 10!



The doorway between Sweet Shop and 5 & 10 led upstairs to Seaman and Eisemann's insurance agency. They later located on the east side of Broadway next to Schwartz furniture store in their own building (now demolished) and the Town of Oyster Bay is building a youth recreational building on that plot of land.

The Sign-A-Rama building was also the location of Mr. Curt Unverhau's drug store. Elsbeth Unverhau Creutz was his daughter and one of my best friends is Karin Creutz Weyer, Mr. Unverhau's granddaughter. Elsbeth was an HHS graduate and Karin and I graduated in 1954. Her sister Janet Creutz Anderson graduated in 1955.

Dr. Elwood Curtis, the dentist, had his office above the drug store. Dr. Curtis had prize roosters he used to "show" at the Mineola Fair. Funny, how you don't forget some things. Curtis' home on W. Cherry Street became a restaurant for several years. Not sure what is there now as I don't get down that way much. Mostly Broadway area.

Huettner's Furniture store moved diagonally across from Unverhau's and became a department store on the south side of Marie Street (across from Bahrenburg's) which would be to the "camera's" left. After the widening of Broadway, the block from Marie Street to Nicholai Street remains void of buildings as it once was.

As I'm writing this, I just thought of the newspaper store on the corner of Broadway and the south side of E. Marie Street - BRESNICKS. Arnold Bresnick was in my class. Name just came to me. They say it is the short term memory that goes first!

Ellen (Boos) Bruwer, '54

