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News about town

HICKSVILLE'S JOSEPH INGINO RECEIVES SERVICE TO VETERANS AWARD

On Friday, Aug. 5, County Executive Ed Mangano honored local heroes, including Hicksville's Joseph Ingino, at the 24th Annual Salute to Veterans ceremony at Eisenhower Park's Harry Chapin Lakeside Theater. This year's event was dedicated to the Tuskegee Airmen, America's first black military airmen serving during World War II.

Ingino is past president of Nassau County Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 82, where he facilitated visits to returning wounded at Walter Reed and Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland.

We're proud of Joseph and how he represents our town and all Vets!



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Schools Open September 6th - DRIVE CAREFULLY!!!





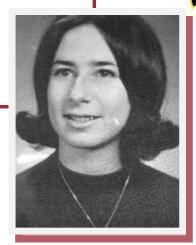
Letters

If you received any e-mails today, seemingly from my hotmail account, please disregard and accept my apology. (I have embarked on a new venture, but certainly not along those lines). The problem has been resolved. Neverthe-

less, I will no longer be using that account and will check it only occasionally.

Please contact me.

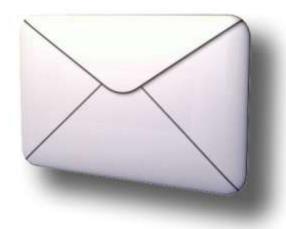
Sorry for the inconvenience!!



Pat Alonge Wafer '66







Fun Email Fact

On May 24, 2004, the 160th anniversary of the first public Morse telegraph transmission., a unique Morse code for the '@' symbol was introduced: '—·-· (dot-dash-dash-dot-dash-dot). This is the first official addition to the Morse set of characters since World War I.

More letters

Greetings Bob and Staff,

Kudos to you and your contributing staffers for all the hard work you do in the Hicksville newsletter. My wife and I truly enjoy every issue as we receive it in Napa Valley, California. Keep up the good work!

Please add my name to the birthday list 30 August and to the anniversary list 18 July 1964.

Bob and Jane McWilliams, Berkeley, California.

Cheers,

Bob McWilliams '55

Editor Note:

I lived in Vallejo (Sonoma Valley) for years and my ex-wife, Joyce, taught school in Vallejo. That was back then, way back then, 1966-1969. I played softball for my Skaggs Island team for several years and we played in the Napa Valley Softball League. Stornetta's Dairy was the California state champs for years. They had a pitching staff you wouldn't believe. In a league game back in 1968, I hit a grand slam home run against Del Steck who was one helluva pitcher. I guessed rise ball and it rose, right out of the park! LOL

buffalo bob casale





Hi Val Pakaluk

So, you're still living in Hicksville. I think Ray Guckenberger still lives on 4th St. Anybody else you know that lives in the area?

Stanley Kellner, class of '52 passed, stroke. I picked this up on the web, Newsday. Stan played sports and we were friends. Kellner, Harold Manaskie and Harry O'Mack (all 1952) were good friends. Marilyn O'Mack is Harry's sister. I remember playing basketball with the 3 at Trommer's Beer facility. Harry's father was the custodian and we had lights for nighttime play. They had a sink set-up so that when you turned on the water spigot, beer came out.

Luv

Richie Swain '51

Letters, letters

Hi Bob

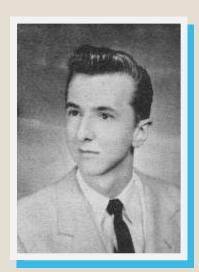
Seems that you jogged a lot of memories of alumni that lived in Glenbrook homes housing tract.

My sister, Barbra Dylewski Mallet '58 and Rita Mallett '58 also lived in the tract.

Below is a picture of a typical Glenbrook home, (I think it may have been Eve's house) and also a map showing the streets.

The area on top of Sunnyfield Rd. and Boulevard Dr. is where the school was located.

Here's a few more:





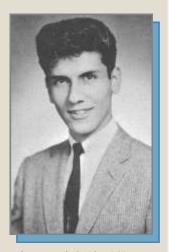


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Eve Gilligan '62 lived on Glenbrook Rd. along with Jo Elaine Carbe '62 and her brother Paul Carbe '60.

STILL MORE LETTERS

I appreciate you putting the thank you on the email but the date under the picture was wrong. I graduated in 1970 and Warren was 1968. We were married in 1973.

Thanks again.

Judy Alfano

Hi from The Villages in sunny Florida. We finally made it here. My new email address is *****. The home phone is *****. Phil Fulco '57

Editor note:

if you need to contact Phil, give us a shout at editors@hixnews



Dear Editors,

Art Lembke '49 wrote a note for the August 1 Issue asking if Bill O'Reilly went to a Catholic grade school and then to Hicksville High. I happen to have a relative (through marriage) that went to Chaminade (Catholic High School) with Bill, so I'm sorry to let Art down, since he sounds like a faithful O'Reilly watcher, but Bill isn't one of us!

Also, thanks for another great issue. You requested specific feedback on the new Adobe format. I personally liked it, but also enjoyed the Adobe format of previous issues. Maybe I'm just easy to please!

Best regards,

Joe Carfora '62

More letters

Hi Bob

I received a call yesterday from Barbara Hoosack, an old friend of mine from Hicksville. She asked if I saw an article about me in the Hicksville Newsletter. She stated it was quite elaborate. I located it and was surprised and thankful. You put a lot of effort into that and I appreciate it.

I came across a conversation with Pete Furgiuele and you mentioning Ted Swedalla. I've attached a picture from around 1961-1963. I'm certain the gentleman standing in the rear to the extreme left is Ted Swedalla's father. I

believe Ted is kneeling in the front row 3rd from the left. I'm standing in the second row 2nd from the right. Feel free to pass it on.

Again thanks for all your efforts.

Bill DeVoe





Bill:

Good to hear from you.

I realized you were away on vacation and didn't want to bother you with something that was important to me. I wanted to interject realism regarding your accomplishment. You are a remarkable person and after fully realizing your involvement, I decided to highlight your time in the military.

Yes, I think you're correct about the Swedallas. I sent a note to Ted and asked about his brother and father. I can see Dad vividly in the picture and just wanted to make certain that it was Dad. I call him "DAD" with affection because Ted and Doris Swedalla were the two people who made Ted and Me important people in the Hicksville Community. Their support when we initially opened Liberty Plumbing and Heating Supply in October of 1977 was the reason we were successful.

Thanks for your service and thanks for going above and beyond the call of duty. Most people would have cowered in that environment. You, however, went to the pinnacle and were responsible for saving lives of many Americans. I am proud to say as an American, and former student of Hicksville High School, I feel privileged to have walked the hallowed halls where a genuine Hero also walked.

Bob Casale '61

It was my privilege to put together something that highlighted your life. I hope I didn't screw up!

Letters contd.

Hi folks:

Please add me to your membership list:

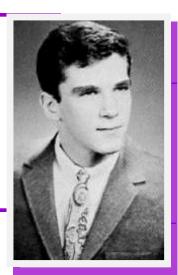
Lew Furman Class of 1967

Living in Tuckerton, NJ

Let me know if you need any other info.

Thanks

Lew



Hi Lew,

I have invited you to join. In order to complete the subscription process, you have to confirm the invitation email.

Best, Henry

Confirmed

Thanks for your help Henry. I enjoy the newsletter.

Someone was asking about Bill O'Reilly. He has an autobiography out. If I remember correctly, he may have been from Hicksville. I believe near to Old Country Road close to Levittown Parkway. He went to Chaminade High School...never was in the Hicksville public schools.

O'Reilly talks about how he played football. However, I think he was just a punter and a walk on "bench" quarterback at Marist College.

Thanks again.

Lew

Editor Note:

In 1951, his family moved to Levittown. O'Reilly has a sister, Janet. He attended St. Brigid parochial school in Westbury and Chaminade High School, a private Catholic boys high school in Mineola. His father wanted him to attend Chaminade, but Bill wanted to attend W.Treapar Clarke High School, the public school where most of his closest friends would attend. Bill O'Reilly played Little League baseball and was the goalie on the Chaminade varsity hockey team. During his high school years, O'Reilly met future award winning singer Billy Joel whom O'Reilly described as a hoodlum."O'Reilly recollected in an interview with Michael Kay on the Yes Network show Center State, that Joel was in the Hicksville section – the same age as me – and he was a hood. He used to slick it [his hair] back like this. And we knew him, because his guys would smoke and this and that, and we were more jocks.

The letters keep on comin'

Hi everyone, especially the class of 1956,

I recently did a commercial for The New York Institute of Technology that is running, (on a loop), on www.thedailyshow. It's called, "They're Old, You're Not!" and it's a funny takeoff on two senior citizens dancing like crazy, while their young grandson just sits around doing nothing and looking bored on the couch. I've been told it should continue to run until Sept. 16, but, in this business, who knows. If you'd like to see it, go to:

https://rcpt.yousendit.com/1191042023/6c2fdad13f4433de8e29e82e55d41b2c

If you can't see it there, it will shortly be on my website at harrimolese.com. Wishing everyone good health, love, and happiness,

Harri Molese, Class of 1956

p.s. To more easily see the funny commercial I recently did as a "dancing Grandma," that's running on the Internet, simply go to my website at harrimolese.com. Hope you're all having a healthy, happy summer.





COMETS

Random Fun Fac Cats sleep 16 to 18 hours per day

Who knew cats were so smart?

Chates

Please update my email...Thanks!

Love the Hix News.

Great to see old flames Elsa Green and Audrey Glenn

Howie Berkowitz '66







Elsa Green

Audrey Glenn

Editor Note:

Anyone wanting to connect with Howie, send a note to editors@hixnews.com



Update membership

Set email = @new-email

Where member is YOU!

Good morning editors,

I've had to change my e-mail account this week and I just wanted to be sure you had my new e-mail address because I don't want to miss an issue, as I have been enjoying them for years. I graduated in '66 and currently reside in Melville just a quick 10 minutes or so from Hicksville. I even discovered in one issue, that my neighbor across the street from where I lived before I moved to Melville, was also a Hicksville graduate. I only lived in Huntington Station for a couple of years but unfortunately I never took the time to find that out. She and her husband were good neighbors and helpful to me. Would you extend my thanks to my neighbors on Sanford Street, for their kindness, if you feel that is appropriate. (I think that Kathleen was in a leg cast when I moved. My neighbors were Kathleen and Lou Agiesta but I don't know Kathleen's maiden name (I assume you have it on file), and it was Kathleen who graduated from Hicksville.

Thanks for your help and please be sure to record my new e-mail address.

Sincerely,

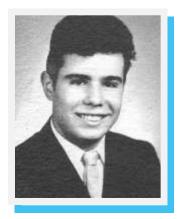
Pat (Alonge) Wafer





Marleen and I thank the whole gang at HixNews for remembering our anniversary. What a fun card.

Bob Masone '62



Dear Bob,

You are a wonderful friend and a wonderful person.

Thank you so much for the beautiful card and FOR EVERYTHING!

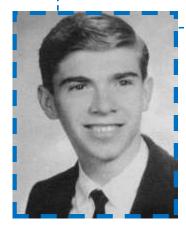
I truly cannot thank you enough.

Warmest Regards,

Adrienne Dolgin '65

Thanks a lot HixNews!!

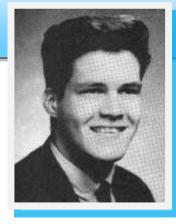
Bob Leo '65



Dear HixNews

Thanks for the cute birthday card! We appreciate it very much.

Pete Adamo '65



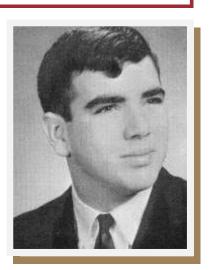
MORE THANKS!

Thank you so much for the beautiful anniversary card. Little did we know that meeting in 10th grade French class in 1962, would lead to 42 years of marriage. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and the wonderful Hicksville News.

Karen (Malter) and Les Coles 65'







Bob and the Gang at HHS Newsletter:

Thanks so much for remembering my birthday with your thoughtful card. It is nice to have friends remember your special day.

And, while I'm at it... thanks to all for the work you put into the monthly newsletter. I really look forward to reading it.

Stay healthy and happy!

Sandy Brindisi '66

Editor Note:

I think I missed this thank you when it was received way back in May.





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Dear Bob and Gang,

Thanks so much for my lovely birthday card and all your good wishes. Also,

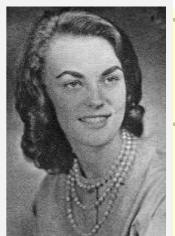
thanks again for the Hix Newsletter, I look forward to it each month. You all do a great job. Thanks again.

Best always,

Lorraine Miltenberg Dalaimo 60'







Dear HixNews

Thanks so much for the birthday wishes, it was a great , thanks to all! Karen Hartig Shore '61



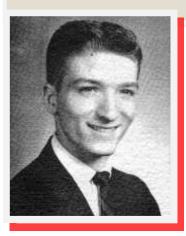




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Thank you for the beautiful birthday ecard. I always look forward to receiving the Hicksville Newsletter. I graduated from Hicksville H.S. in 1962, and I am now living in Richmond, Virginia. I'm a retired school principal. Enclosed are pictures of me in Williamsburg, VA during the 1962 Senior Trip and a picture of my wife, Mary and me. We will be married 43 years this November. Looking forward to the 50-year reunion next year.

Bob Siegel '62







Bob,

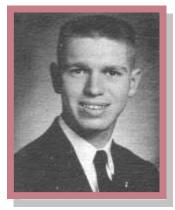
Thanks so much for the anniversary card. Diane and I are married 44 marvelous years, have two daughters and three grandchildren. Although Diane attended Jericho HS, she attended a lot of the functions at Hicksville with me since we knew each other since we were 10 years old. We met in church at Trinity Lutheran in Hicksville and had a lot of friends in both Hicksville and Jericho. We dated for six years before we got married in 1967. After college, I became a pilot in the USAF and we were fortunate to live in several places around the US and the world. We still love to travel and try to take 3-4 trips a year. I own a marina and boat dealership in



PA, so although I haven't retired yet, I am looking forward to it so that we can take more and longer trips. I truly enjoy reading the Hicksville news each

month and learning about the lives of the people I knew in high school. The variety of careers is tremendous. I hope to attend the 50th anniversary for the class of 1962 and will probably see you there.

Thanks again for the card. Steve Baum '62



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Dear Bob and everyone else,

Thanks for the birthday card. It was the big "60" and definitely helped to ease the pain.

Best regards,

David Kerner '69





Thank you so much for the wonderful birthday wishes. I'm a choco-holic so that was the perfect greeting! I appreciate the good wishes and many thanks to all of you at the newsletter for the great job you do with every issue.

Peggy (Moldovak) Gill '67



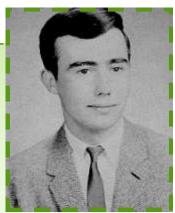


Bob,

Thanks so much for the very nice e-card to celebrate our 29th wedding anniversary. My wife, Janet, and I greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness!

All is well here in San Antonio, except for the stifling heat (100 and higher for quite a while now) and the worst drought ever recorded! I hope all is well in my wonderful hometown of Hicksville; please give our regards to all.

Gerry Dizinno '64



Bob must send out a LOT of e-cards, eh?

Dear Bob and the HIX News Crew,

Thank you for my birthday card. Love reading all the news you send out each month.

The past few months have been busy for our family. Our son, David married Cassia in Paraty, Brazil on June 18th. We all traveled to this wonderful UNESCO city 4 hours south of Rio for the wonderful celebration. Our daughter, Jessica, accompanied Rick and me. My sister Doris Fischman Roth HHS '61 was there also with her family for the festivities. The wedding was on an island in the harbor.

Experiencing a Brazilian wedding is certainly an experience!

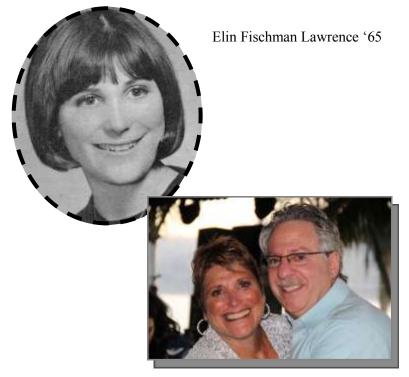


We returned home and a week later I had a total shoulder replacement. I am doing well and hopefully PT will start after 6 weeks of healing and I will be back to all of my activities soon.

Looking forward to my husband retiring in the next year or 2. We hope to spend part of the year in Charlestown, RI at our summer house, part in Pompano Beach FL, and part in Ajijic, Mexico. Any HHS grads in the Lake Chapala area?

For those HHS friends who knew our parents, our dad Irv died in January at the age of 98 2/3's. He worked with Bob's dad at the Army Pictorial Center in Long Island City. He had a wonderful life, full of adventure, laughter and his wife of 56 years our mom Edith who died in '94 and his 90-year-old girlfriend the past 16 years. He was a wonderful, fun loving father and Doris and I were proud to have him in our lives all these years.

Thanks again for remembering birthday,



Elin & Rick



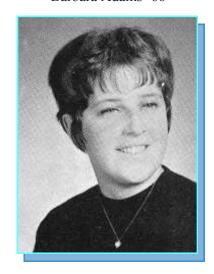
Cassia - Jessica - David

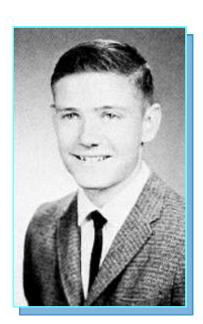
New Readers



Donna Francis '62





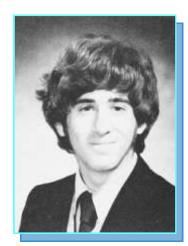


Kevin Byrne '67



Patricia Moore '69

David Blaszkowsky '79





Judy Obrist '60

HONORING OUR BRAVE VEITERING

Dear Alumni

James Letscher was in the class of 1964. A former friend of his went to the Hicksville library and found a copy of the 1964 yearbook.

There is a notation next to his picture that was made by Hicksville historian Dick Evers who passed away. The notation said, "USN Pilot. Survived Vietnam and battle, but died at 40 from heart failure." We are trying to create the memorial list and also make it known which former students served in Vietnam but cannot verify James' involvement.

Perhaps someone out there has some information to share with me. Maybe a family member that someone knows. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks

buffalo bob casale

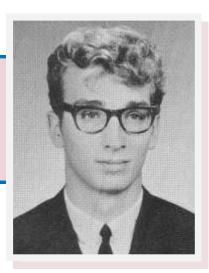
	James Letscher
Born	12 Jan 1947
Last Ad- dress	32073 Orange Park, Clay, Florida
Died	Apr 1987



Hello, I guess it's time to add my name to the list. I am Dominic M. Leone class of HHS 1966. I served 4 years in the U.S. Navy and was in Vietnam from June 1969 to June 1970.

Thanks.





HONORING OUR BRAVE VETTERING



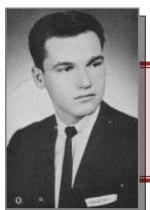
HI Bob, if you would include Robert J Harman, class of 1960, in your list of those who served in the military during the Vietnam Era.

Thank you.

Dian Crothers Harman '60

p.s. It would be helpful if I read the whole paragraph. Bob's tour of duty included two tours in Vietnam. One tour was 1967-1968 then again the whole year of 1971. Bob served 20+ years in the US ARMY.





My ex brother-in-law George Korothy was in Germany 1965, US Army HHS Class of 1960

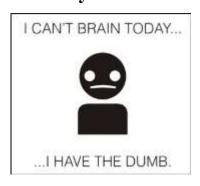
Tom Cleary

Random Fun Fact

The storage capacity of human brain exceeds 4 Terabytes.



I know people with only 4 BYTES!



HONORING OUR BRAVE VEITERING

Please add me to the Vietnam War Era Memorial List.

My name is Nicholas (Nick) Stamos.

I was in the Army from 1972-1992, including a stint in the desert during Desert Storm.

I also served time in Germany.

Does Joe Carfora have a younger sister named Carmela (Candy)? I went to school with a Candy Carfora.

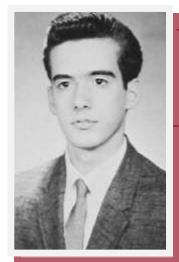
Thanks

Nick '71

Yup, her name is Carmela Jane (Carfora) Colling, better known as Candy. She lives with her husband Peter, who graduated HHS a year before her in Paradise Valley, AZ. They have two married sons and have lived in AZ since the early '80's.

Please feel free to pass this on to Nick if you'd like. I have copied Candy for this note so she can contact you if she would like Nick to receive her email address.

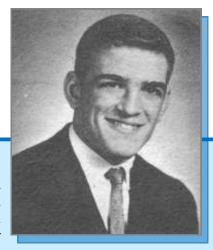
Joe



Frank Rinaldi Class of 1967 United States Army Served on Okinawa from 1969 to

Ken,

As you know, Bob Casale is building a PowerPoint presentation with photos on Hicksville Vietnam Era Veterans that we can hopefully use in the fundraising campaign for the memorial. Bob and I have gone back and



forth on the official ending of the war. You originally gave me info that I also confirmed on the Internet that it ended in 1973, when all US troops were officially pulled out. Below, highlighted in blue by Bob is info he's found stating we still had troops over there fighting in 1975. We need to get it right as this means we may be leaving people off the list of names who should be on it.

All along, we've said the Vietnam War Era officially was 1961 through 1973.

I'm hoping you can set the record straight for us.

Joe Carfora

HONORING OUR BRAVE VETTERING

Bob,

Thanks for the article requesting info from WIA's who served in Vietnam. I think between your appeal and our monthly update, we'll get even more accurate info and fill in a number of blanks remaining on the list. In fact, reading the article already gave me a number of class year's I didn't have or needed to verify. In cross checking your KIA's and WIA's vs. our List of Names, I noted some discrepancies, which I'll list at the end of this email.

An important issue to resolve is the official "Troops on the Ground" dates for the war. I have it as 1961 through 1973 and you state April 1975 as the end date in your article. This prompted me to look up the official time line again and I've excerpted it below:

1973: A cease-fire agreement is signed in Paris

The end of the Draft is publicized

All remaining US troops leave Vietnam

Henry Kissinger wins the Nobel Peace Prize

Note, all US troops left in '73. Certainly, we all know we had people serving in an "advisory capacity" well before '61 and perhaps after '73 as well, but Ken Strafer and I chose to go with the official "troops on the ground" info as published and apparently deemed "historically accurate" by the government. The point of this is that we have not been listing anyone who started on active duty after 1973 and I don't want people sending us names we can't list, nor do I want to confuse people over this. Please use 1973 in future notes, but if you have better info than we have, please let me know.

1975

Apr 27 - Saigon was encircled by North Vietnamese troops.

Apr 29 - U.S. Forces pulled out of Vietnam. The U.S. embassy in Vietnam was evacuated as North Vietnamese forces fought their way into Saigon. Just hours after the last American was lifted out by helicopter from the roof of the embassy, James Reston of the NY Times issued an apologia for the press.

Apr 30 - The city of Saigon fell to the North Vietnamese and National Liberation Front forces. The last American forces evacuated Saigon as South Vietnam surrendered unconditionally to the Communist North Vietnamese.

North Vietnamese troops entered the Independence Palace of South Vietnam in Saigon and the Vietnam war was over.

May 7 - President Ford formally declared an end to the "Vietnam era."

Subject: RE: FW: Vietnam Info Appeal via "Memory Lane"

The American Legion, for some reason in charge of the dates along with the Department of Veteran's Affairs, changed the dates due to complaints received for benefits.

It occurred quietly I suppose because I don't remember seeing the date change. Not a big issue! Washington does this all the time and it's only by chance that the citizens know of many of its actions. Fun isn't it.

Let's use the April 1975 time period as the new cutoff.

Ken Strafer

Continued with pictures on the next page

HONORING OUR BRAVE VEILERING









Editor note:

This is one of those very confusing issues. The past can be presented in various ways by a multitude of Historians. Interpretation, too, can be a strong factor in how the historical dates are decided.

In this case, the Vietnam Era was thought to end in 1973 according to certain factions. It was believed that the end of hostilities occurred in 1973. Further investigation shows that our involvement was officially ceased in April of 1975 when North Vietnam moved into Saigon.

In all fairness to those who served through April of 1975, you qualify for inclusion on the Hicksville Vietnam Memorial..

Subject: OFFICIAL END TO VIETNAM WAR ERA

Ken

Okay, then. We will use April, 1975 as the official end of hostilities. I will come up with something based on your note to make the change for the September update. It will publish in the September issue of HixNews.

Thanks

Joe





Bob,

We will now use April, 1975 as the official end to the Vietnam War Era. I will work this into my next HixNews update. This should generate more names for us and helps to insure that we don't miss anyone who belongs on the list.

Bob, thanks for sticking to your guns on this and causing me to get further clarification from Ken, who is definitely in the know based on his work in Washington now as a volunteer and in the past as a former director of Veteran's Affairs.

Regards,

Joe

Looking for



I saw Hinda Chernow's picture in newsletter. Believe her married name is Russo. Can I get her contact info or could you pass my email address to her please!

Thank You!

Larry Senn '64'

Editor Note:

Dear Hinda Chernow

Your classmate from 1964, Larry Senn, would like to get in touch with you (see his request below).

Best, Henry



Henry, Thank you for your efforts on my behalf.

Larry

Frank Delaney asked for any information regarding Chet Nichols in the August Newsletter. The latest info I have from 2003 is;

Full address and phone number removed for privacy—please contact your editors for this information Pete Foster, St. Augustine, FL '57

Editor Note:

Here's how it works for all of our beloved members who are looking to contact another member.

We do not send you contact information directly. We greatly value our members' privacy and never give out their information. We will send an email to the looker who will contact you directly if they so choose. In this manner, everyone is protected.



Hi everyone, I have two questions:

First: I am unable to open the August newsletter, any suggestions?

(Simply log onto http://hixnews.com and you are there or try to update your Adobe Reader software)

Second:

Did Lou Agiesta graduate from Hicksville High. He was the drummer from the Brooklyn Bridge. Appreciate any help you can give me.

Sharon (Wyer) Ward '62



Note from Carolyn: Lou Agiesta, who calls Bethpage his home, was not an original member. However, he's been the drummer in the group since 1972 (almost 40 years).

This excerpt is from an online biography of Carolyn Wood Imbrie, the keyboardist for the original Brooklyn Bridge.

Tommy Sullivan and Jimmy Rosica represented the group and made the trek into New York City the next day. They met with Betty Sperber, Johnny Maestro and the Del Satins. The rest is history...everyone shook hands and the new 11 member singing group, The Brooklyn Bridge, was formed.

The original members were Johnny Maestro from the Crests, Fred Ferrara, Les Cauchi and Mike Gregorio from the Del Satins, and Tom Sullivan, Carolyn Wood, Jim Rosica, Shelly Davis, Joe Ruvio, Artie Catanzarita and Richie Macioce from the Rhythm Method.

Oh, by the way, the name Brooklyn Bridge came from their manager, Betty Sperber. She suggested, referring to the size of the group, "This is going to be harder to sell than the Brooklyn Bridge."



The next several months found the Bridge honing their skills. No doubt, the serious blending of exceptional talent was accomplished. The original concept of creating a larger group was now a done deal.

Carolyn remarked, "the original intention was to have Johnny and the Del Satins as front men with us as the musicians."

To read the entire bio, use this link:

http://www.hixnews.com/bios/biography of carolyn wood imbrie.htm

Looking for...

Dear HixNews

Saw in the Aug issue the name of Rita (Seadon) Shadack, from "53" Please send to her my e-mail as I was in "53" also and had her on my flights a few times at United. I live in Florida also and would like to invite her to our Mini reunion we hold here in Florida next year. Thanks.

Stephen Moddle

Email removed for privacy

Editor note:

Henry did his thing :-)

Dear Mary Rita Seadon Shadick,

Stephen Moddle, who graduated HHS with you in 1953, would like to get in touch with you (see his request, above and contact us for his email address).

Best, Henry





Random Fun Fact

Donald Duck's middle name is Fauntleroy.

Sure! Give him a middle name but no pants!



Donna Shrimpe was looking for Barb Feuerstein.

She taught Phys Ed at Lee Ave. She has a published phone number in the Hicksville Teachers Retired Membership pages 2010. She can contact me for the E-mail. How do you handle this? Being it is published, I guess I can give it to you.

She lives in Farmingdale.

Brad Jaworski '61



We can contact anyone on our mail list rather than compromise their email address or any other information that should be protected.



Hi Bob -

You had given me the email address for Helen Wiedhoft Kingstorf and I immediately wrote to her. I just got a response and she said she and her husband *will be coming* to the reunion in September! I'm delighted to be able to reconnect with her as we were good friends.

Thanks so much for facilitating this!

Nancy Sherman



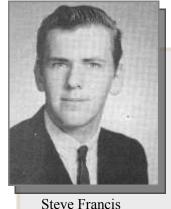
Nancy Sherman



Helen Wiedhoft Kingstorf

Passages





I was very sorry to hear of the passing of Steve Francis, class of '66.

I remember Steve fondly. One incident really stands out. Our parents allowed us to take the LIRR to the city, back when we were only 14 years old.

We saw a matinee NBA game on a Saturday afternoon at the Garden. The Knicks who were bad back then beat the Cincinnati Royals that day.

We strolled around the city that day thinking we were quite gutsy, but Steve pointed out the streets were numbered so we couldn't get lost.

On the trip home, he sheepishly admitted the his dad was an LIRR employee, but it was no big deal. The trip was only 2 bucks round trip anyway.

We were proud that we had to change trains at Jamaica and succeeded in finding the right connecting train.

A small thing but thine own.

It was a great day and seeing his picture in the newsletter brought back a very pleasant memory.

I doubt anyone remembers me because I haven't lived in New York for a very long time.

I have heard from Walter Scauzillo and, Walt, I owe you a letter.

Best regards to you Bob and the entire staff.



Jerry Gardner
HHS class of '66



To Pat Appelman Levitin

Sorry to say my sister-in-law BARBARA BRUWER Davis passed on in 1982. "Schatzie" as she was known in the family graduated from Plattsburgh State Teacher's College, married a fellow in the Air Force and had a son, Christopher and daughter Cheri. Unfortunate that cancer took her life at such a young age.

Ellen Boos Bruwer - '54



Passages



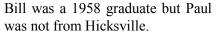
Pat Armstrong



Pat was initially married to William Ferber and they divorced. Bill married again and moved to Florida. Bill passed away in June of this year. Pat then married Paul Carter who passed away prior to her. I miss my sister who graduated from Hicksville in 1960. Thank You!!



Jim Armstrong '59





I read about Mr. Kellner's passing. In addition to Stan being in the class of 1952 he was also one of our teachers in my class and was my track coach for discus and shot put.

Jack Curcia '61







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

Because you all love the man so much, this month we have a two part DBB!

First, a serious topic. Personal information in the newsletter.

Dear Bob - Thank you for all of the wonderful work you are doing.

May I suggest that the Editors omit references to complete social security numbers. While the distribution is to a discrete group, I am concerned about misuse of such information - even if the person has passed.

Thank you for your consideration of this serious issue.

Deborah Wayne '71

Dear Bob

Please remove ss# for future reference. Jerry d'amura

Deb & Jerry

Sorry. That is my fault. We try desperately not to compromise any information. I didn't pay attention and will make sure it doesn't happen again. Thanks so much for your input.

There was a Wayne family that lived across the street from me on Libby Avenue in Hicksville years ago. Are you part of the clan?

Warm Regards

buffalo bob Casale

No need to apologize. My Wayne family lived (and still lives) on Fifth Avenue – however my grandfather had a store in town in the 40's-60's and may have lived on Libby.

Warm regards back at you,

Deb Wayne

Where was the store and what kind of store was it? How about the name of the store? Was it along Broadway? The side that was removed?

Was your family on the high school side of Fifth Avenue.

I lived across Division Avenue in the Glenbrook Split level homes.

Thanks

Warm Regards bob

Continued on next page

Dear Buffalo Bob

Bob

Sorry it took so long to get back to you. My grandfather's store was located in several different places on Broadway. My best guess is that the stores were there in one form or another from the mid part of the 1900's (maybe 1920's or 30's) until the 1960's. In fact my Dad went to Hicksville Junior High about 80 years or so ago so it was possibly as early as the 20's that the first store existed. I think the name was Dan's or Dan's Bargain Store. (my grandfather's name was Dan Cohen) I know when the first store opened the family lived in the back (on Broadway) - later it opened near the old Whalen's drugstore and then just past the train tressel. My brother and I used to play in the store and our big treat was to order hamburgers and french fries from down the block. (no McDonalds yet). My grandfather had general stores with an emphasis on clothing. He also sold shoes and other items. The family legend is that when he first opened there was much barter going on - potatoes from the farmers for goods. The story is that my grandmother, Lillian, had many dishes she made from all of the potatoes. In the late 60's my father, Larry Wayne, opened Mr. Larry's in the new Hicksville mall. I remember a great deal of family discussion about this new enterprise called a "mall". We really weren't sure what a mall was at the time. Can you imagine that! One of my dad's claims to fame was that he was the first store in the area to see bell bottoms! He employed many musicians as sales clerks and it was a funky kind of store which sold men's clothes. My grandfather continued to work in the store - principally sewing hems and helping my father buy stock. They would travel to the garment center and to the lower east side. In the late 60's we were selling Neru jackets, beads and jeans. Brooklyn Bridge, Billy Joel, Tito Rodiguez and other musicians frequented the store. I worked there starting while I was attending Hicksville High until I graduated. I have many fond memories of working with my father. Once in a while, my brother, Richard Wayne (Class of 72), joined us but he was more interested in science and writing. At some point around the Spring of 1972 - there was a big fire in the mall and my dad left the location. Things had really changed by then and it was a little sad to see the end of an era.

One of these days, I intend to go to the Gregory Museum to see if I can find any more information about my grandfather's store.

Some very happy memories - I hope you enjoyed this walk down memory lane.

Deb Wayne '71

Second starts with a note from the Editors to Michael and Richard Ollins

Can you let me know if your wife's name is Donna?

I have a Donna on our birthday list but don't know whom she's related to?

Plus neither of you are on our anniversary list.

Do you want to advise me of your anniversary?

Thanks

buffalo bob casale

Hicksville Newsletter

Dear Buffalo Bob

Hey HixNews

Donna is our sister. She still goes with her maiden name of Ollins. I think she graduated in 68. She lives in Las Vegas. Neither Donna nor I are married. Not sure of Richard's anniversary.

Michael Ollins '63



Bob and HixNews:

Donna Ollins is our sister! My wife is Elke. Our anniversary is 23 September. Mike is not married. Donna is a graduate of the class of 69, I think.

Richard Ollins '60



Donna

Heard back from your brothers regarding a question we had.

Your name is on the Hicksville Newsletter Birthday List.

But we had no email address for you.

I thought you might be married to Richard or Michael.

Found out you're related but as a sibling.

I now have your email address thanks to your brothers.

I am going to put you down as a new reader and submit your name for inclusion on our mailing list.

Is that okay with you?

Thanks

buffalo bob casale

http://hixnews.com

p.s. Michael says you live in Vegas. My sister, Eileen, lives in Vegas. She's been there since 1972/1973. Her husband, my brother in law, is a Federal Court Judge in the Nevada District. James Cameron Mahan



Dear Buffalo Bob

Bob:

Thanks; I would love to be on the mailing list. Did Eileen graduate from Hicksville High and if so what year? I graduated in 69. Thanks so much.

Donna

Editor Note:

Thanks so much for your reply. It's amazing, but the Hicksville Newsletter was begun in 2000. Started out as a two-page email sent to about 100 subscribers. It's grown a lot and we enjoy publishing the newsletter. Eileen graduated from the high school in 1959.

This was the time when the Twin Tones were releasing their chart topper, JoAnne. Subsequent to that was the Brooklyn Bridge and our alumni from the class of 1963 who were part of that group.

Drop me a note and bring the alumni up to date about your life. A sketch would be appropriate.

Thanks again.

Warm Regards

buffalo bob casale

So ends another episode of "Dear Buffalo Bob"

Tune in next month for another nostalgie episode,

sure to bring back wondrous memories... we hope!

Random Fun Fact

The Hummingbird is the only bird that can fly backwards

But politicians can back-peddle like nobody's business!

Hicksville Memories



Last month's challenge

Find us a picture of West Street School

There were plenty of responses but most telling us that the image that *could* have been West Street School was instead Nicholai Street School. No one else found an image for West Street so the challenge wasn't solved:(

Here's some responses.

Hi Guys

Pete Foster is completely correct with his information on the "old courthouse" as we called it. There is a small one-room jail at the rear of the building which still has the bars on the windows.

The picture of the school I feel, is Nicholai Street School which I attended Kindergarten thru 6th grade. The school was directly across from Trinity Lutheran Church and was demolished many years ago. The property is now a playground for the church/school. I have always regretted not having gone through the building prior to the demolition. I can remember all the classrooms and the teachers I had for all 7 years. I grew up in Hicksville and have spent the last 74 years living in the towns surrounding Hicksville. All of my working years were spent in Hicksville and the town remains close to my heart. Hicksville has changed over the years, but I consider myself "old Hicksville"!

Ellen Boos Bruwer - '54

Dear Editors,

I was just reading the August edition and there is a photo of a school where the reader asks if the name of the school is "West Street School". I think the name of the school was Nicholai Street School. It only housed 3rd grade and my class was the last to attend the school. I remember it well. The photo you show was not the front of the school I remember but it maybe the side view. My teacher was Miss Apley and I can still remember my mom having a teacher conference with Miss Apley and they were having such a good time that they forgot about the time and my class came back from lunch and there was my mom and the teacher hysterical laughing and being quite surprised about how the time had passed so quickly.

Let me know if it's Nicholai.

Thanks,

Josie (Dzieniezewski) Bacchi '76



Hicksville Memories

So onto the next challenge! This one is a big one and should be good for all of us to know and honor the people involved.

Can you name every principal from Hicksville High School and provide a picture if you can? I mean **EVERY** principal! Going back over 100 years!

GOOD LUCK!



Here's something to start you with:

Current Principal: Brijinder Singh



Who was your principal? What do you remember about them? Let us know if this is a good / fun idea? We'll do teachers later and by department.

Random Fun Fact Regseheld Rings

Here's some helpful, interesting and, yes, weird Household Hints Send us your hints and (as long as their printable) we'll share them with everyone!

BATHROOM ODORS

Place a shallow dish of baking soda behind the toilet to absorb bathroom odors.



CHIMNEY

To keep your chimney clean, throw a handful of salt on the fire.



COFFEE GRINDER

Grind up a cup or so of rice in a coffee grinder to clean the grinder and sharpen its blades.



OVEN SPILLOVER

As soon as the spillover occurs, pour on a mixture of 5 parts salt and one part cinnamon. The salt absorbs the spill, the cinnamon prevents a burned smoky smell. After the oven cools, lift out the salt mixture with a metal spatula and wipe with a damp sponge.



Random Fun Fact

This is a calculator that estimates your life expectancy.

It was developed by Northwestern Mutual Life.

It's interesting that there are only 13 questions.

Yet, they can predict how long you're likely to live.

http://media.nmfn.com/tnetwork/lifespan

Editor Note:

The above submitted by Kathy "Cookie" Hannaman '60



Friendly Advice

Despite what those "age defying" wrinkle creams might tell you, getting older needn't be a negative. Grand-children, social security checks and lots of awesome mail from the AARP are all perks of our "golden years." Plus you can nod off at any family gathering you choose, and nobody will wake you up! But perhaps the biggest bonus of all for frugal seniors like Gift Card Granny is an onslaught of discounts for everything from groceries and clothing to travel and, of course, restaurants. (And no, not just for the early bird special.) The age threshold for cashing in varies, but many start at only 55. Since 50 is the new 40, that means you'll have plenty of years to rake in the savings!

Other deals require a bit more gray hair and life experience, but many are well worth waiting for. Take a look and let us know if you find any other senior discounts we should mention. And if you're too young for this list, respect your elders and pass it on to grandma or grandpa. Please call your local store location before visiting because offers are subject to participation.

Granny Tip: Combine your senior discount with a discount gift card for even more savings.

http://www.giftcardgranny.com/blog/senior-discounts/



Just one more reminder! Schools are now open so, please,

DRIVE CAREFULLY!

We LOVE our teachers

Hey,

Great job with the site. Really great.

Just wondering, for those of us who have particular favorite teachers throughout the Hicksville system, if you had considered a "memoriam" page for them? Two I'd love to pay tribute to are William O'Dougherty from HHS and Madeline Wicksel from Dutch Lane (8/10/2010).

Thanks, Jackie Corlin '70

Editor Note:

We are going to add an In Memoriam page for former teachers.

I found an obit for Ms. Wicksel

WICKSEL--Madeline (Schulberg) on August 25, 2010. Beloved wife of the late Edwin. Mother of Pam. Grandmother of Emma and Margaret. Former 3rd grade teacher at Dutch Lane School, Hicksville, NY. Donations may be made to The Willa Cather Foundation, 413 North Webster St., Red Cloud, NE 68970.

Madeline Wicksel

Last Residence was Syosset, New York

Born 7 July 1923

Died 25 August 2010

Found nothing for William O'Dougherty.

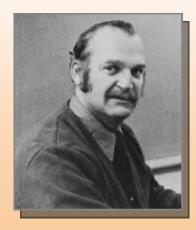
Did find a teacher at HHS in the 1972 yearbook named Neil O'Doherty.

Was William your teacher? Do you have him listed in the 1970 yearbook?

Please let me know.

Regards

buffalo bob casale



Thanks Bob!

I think it must have been Neil O'Doherty! I do not have a yearbook unfortunately. I'll see if I can find one. Thank you for doing this!

Jackie

I couldn't find an obituary for Neil O'Doherty. Is it possible that he is still alive. Or do you have an obit for Neil? I can place Madeline Wicksel on the In Memoriam List., but Neil, we just don't know.

Thanks

buffalo bob casale

I can't read the newsletter!

Good Morning Editors...

Love the newsletter every month, but I tried to open the newsletter section today and was unable to. I can open everything else without any difficulty. I hope you're able to help me.

Thanks again.

Peggy (Moldovak) Gill '67

Good Morning, Peggy!

I just checked the site and downloaded the newsletter without difficulty, so we know it's working. Do you have the latest Adobe reader Software? If need be, I can email the PDF to you for download. Please Advise.

Thanks

David Rubin

Thank you so much David. I needed the latest Adobe Reader software. Have a great day.

Peggy

I've tried to access the Newsletter by clicking the link and my Mac goes to QuickTime instead of Adobe Reader and I get a Hicksville High School Newsletter instead of HixNews. Any thoughts?

Bob Masone ('62)

Hello Bob:

You might have applied a recent Apple software update that came out recently. That update of QuickTime might have taken over the association between Pdf's and Adobe Acrobat Reader. Please visit http://get.adobe.com/reader/ to update your pdf reading software with the latest version. That should take care of re-associating the .pdf extension with a reader.

Kind Regards,

David Rubin Editor

I can't read the newsletter!

I have not been receiving my newsletters for a couple of months.

Linda Frimmer Whitlock '58



The newsletter is always on line at our website.

Make a note of the following hyperlink http://hixnews.com

Clicking on the above hyperlink will whisk you to the site where the current issue for August resides. The only correspondence you receive from us is a notice that the newsletter has been posted to our website and is available to view. Henry sends the note diligently every month to advise all fourteen hundred plus former students and friends.

Enjoy this month because it's a biggie.

love yah

buffalo bob casale

So what it comes down to is the following:

- 1. The current newsletter is ALWAYS available online at http://hixnews.com, so you don't have to wait for an email from Henry to go and view all our news.
- 2. Always make sure you have the latest version of whichever web browser you use, not only for reading this newsletter but for ensuring you are safe from the "nasties" that are out there!
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David Rubin '82