

## News about town

### Munoz, Hicksville capture NYS 'AA' boys soccer title

**Lucas Munoz celebrated his 17th birthday Saturday night, and Sunday, he got the best gift of his life**

The Hicksville senior forward scored the winning goal in the Class AA boys soccer state championship, sending the Comets to a 1-0 victory over Webster Schroeder at Middletown High School.

It's Hicksville's first state championship since 1979.

"This is the biggest game of my life," said Munoz, who sprained his ankle on Saturday in the semifinal victory before resting up and having a team dinner on his birthday night.

Then, there was Sunday. "That ball came to me and it was just a present," he said of his winning blast, which came with 13:14 left in the game. "The ball was bouncing around in the box and the defense couldn't get it out. [Teammate] Kyle Poetzsch and a defender were going at it. The ball just came to me and I put it away. Now it's time to celebrate."



*Photo and information courtesy of MSGVarsity*

[Click here for the whole story](#)

*Happy  
Holidays*

**Wishing you and yours a very  
Happy Holiday Season!**

# Letters



Dick & Ellen Osborne would like to recall the message, "Class of '62 Fiftieth Reunion". Received your note to recall your previous message. Just want to make sure that you have book marked the reunion website?! <http://62.hixreunion.com/>

Some additional features will be posted soon.

Thanks

Regards

buffalo bob Casale

p.s. There are several Osbornes on our mailing list. How are you related to the others?

Bob,

Thanks for the link to the reunion website. Among any other Osbornes that are on the mailing list, Ed Osborne, Class of 56, is the only one to whom I'm related. Ed is my brother. Therefore, Mary Osborne, '57, is my sister-in-law.

Dick

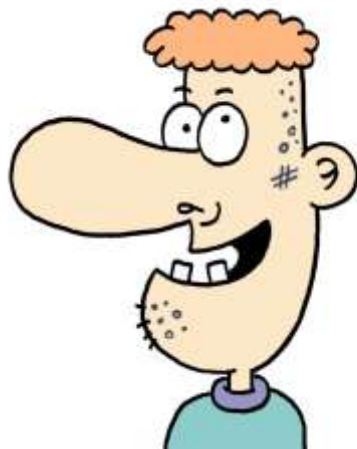
Bob

Just walked back home from the H.H.S. homecoming football game against Plainview. Hicksville was winning 27-0 at the end of the 3rd quarter when I left. Halftime was a great show. The stands were filled with people for the one time that happens every year. The homecoming fair was jammed. I spent about an hour there and then drove back home. I did some stuff and then walked back to H.H.S. What a day here in Hicksville. Autumn weather and all it entails.

Sorry to hear about Dennis Naso. Pat was an assistant principal my one year in the Jr.High [9th grade]

I'm going to watch the DVD again tonight. Take care.

Chris Andersen '67



## Stupid Facts

***Banging your head against a wall uses  
150 calories an hour.***

*"What are you doing dear?" - "Just exercising"*

# More letters

Hi HixNews

I thought these would be wonderful pictures to pass around on the web site. A great walk down memory lane.

Barbara (Ray) Novinski

Beverly Hills, Florida 1955

Barbara

Great pictures but most of them are copyrighted. Can't use without permission. If you go to where you found them, perhaps there is a contact person. Send a note and see if we can print them into our newsletter.

Thanks

love yah

buffalo bob casale



Bob I've attached a Halloween photo of my daughter Laura, my granddaughter, Kayla and me. We had fun trick-or-treating this year.

Rosa Szendy Patterson



# Letters, letters, letters

I know this may sound trivial, but when you reference the time change, it's actually referred to as 'Daylight Saving Time,' not Savings. Savings are something you put in a bank.

Vince P of '55

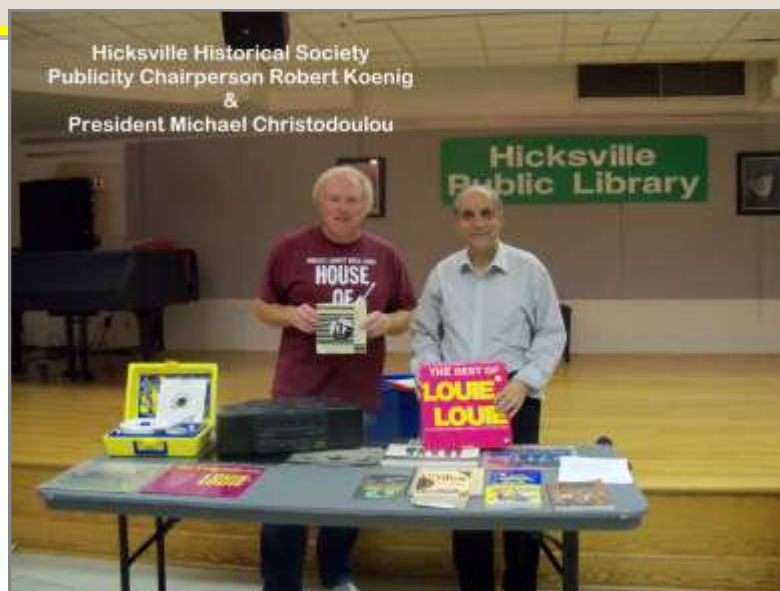


The following is an incredible leap forward when it comes to protecting our military not only from the enemy but also the elements. It's amazing the strides made in a short period of time. If clicking the hyperlink doesn't bring you to the video, copy and paste the information provided below to your browser...

<http://www.wimp.com/concretetents/>

## Hicksville Historical Society

Our September meeting was presented by Society member Bob Koenig (pictured, left with Society President **Mike Christodoulou**) on the 1960's hit song "Louie, Louie." For more information write [hickshistsoc@aol.com](mailto:hickshistsoc@aol.com) or call (516) 433-7462.



# Still more letters



The attached photos were taken at a gala yesterday (November 12) that precedes by a week the opening of the annual Memorial Hospital Foundation Festival of Trees. The black-tie event marks the start of the winter social season in Springfield, Illinois. Two of our three daughters and two of our 10 grandchildren joined us this year.

Our daughter Amy and her daughter, Adrienne who is 19. Next to her are our 12-year-old granddaughter, Gwendolyn, and her mother, Quin



The Festival, a display of several hundred trees decorated by local community organizations...and much more (including a gingerbread house competition, indoor train, children's workshops) is the largest single family event in Central Illinois, drawing close to 40,000 people for its 10-day run. I have served on the Festival organizing committee for the past seven years and head the Entertainment Committee that invites and coordinates some 2,600 professional and amateur musicians, dancers, singers and other entertainers who donate their performance time to the festivities from morning to night. Roger and I also provide and run the professional sound and lighting system for the large entertainment area. Proceeds from the event benefit Memorial Hospital's regional outreach programs.

Vicky Penner Whitaker 1958 and Roger Whitaker



# Letters

The sky this morning was incredible.

I just happened to look out the window and could tell something special was in the works. The sky was very red and truly amazing.

love yah buffalo bob casale

The last sky I saw like this was in the Pocono's Mountains years ago.

Enjoy and let me know what you think. Those Georgia wake ups are incredible!



# More letters

To: John Mirro

Please select about 15 of your favorite photos and I will put them into the photo gallery of the next newsletter. Write a little blurb about Creative Peaks Photography and how about a little history both of Creative Peaks and your life since high school.

Thanks

Warm Regards to you and Linda  
buffalo bob casale



Bob,

I'll get the pictures from Kauai, Hawaii to you soon. I've been working on a few other projects that have taken a bit of time. I'm VP of non-profit organization called Summit Public Radio & TV and President of a newly formed HOA in the community where we live. Both of these activities have eaten up a lot of time as have the photo shoots we do.

Thanks for the invite to submit the Hawaiian photos for publication in HixNews. Linda and I certainly appreciate it.

BTW, any word on a reunion for the class of '62? If there is going to be one I'd like to book tickets as soon as possible. In fact, Linda and I are driving to the east coast this January. Our 9th grandchild will be born in Connecticut sometime near the end of the month. We're planning a trip to LI while we're there to see family and friends.

Thanks for taking such an active role in keeping us all together.

All our best,

John & Linda Mirro

*Editor Note:*

*Go to your website...the 1962 Fifty Year Reunion scheduled for October of 2012. Roger, our webmaster, set up the site. <http://62.hixreunion.com/>*

John:

Thanks for the photos. They are included in the Photo Gallery of the current newsletter.

Buffalo Bob Casale

*Editor Note:*

*Please go to the Photo Gallery to view John and Linda's pictures of Hawaii and visit the alumni Bios pages to see John's biographical sketch.*

# Keep them letters comin'

I have a series of gigs coming up that are in public venues. Here is a list as of now:

Friday Dec. 2nd and Saturday Dec. 10th I will be playing solo at Rothmans from 7:30-10:30. Rothmans is located on the corner of Rt. 106 and 25A in East Norwich. I will be in the lounge so if you don't want dinner you can just come in for a drink.

On Sunday Dec. 11th I'll be with a jazz trio at Il Mulino for a Jazz Brunch from 11:00 am-3:00pm. This restaurant is located on Northern Blvd. in Roslyn close to the Great Neck border. This is an outstanding Italian Restaurant.

I hope to see some of you. I will keep you informed of any others coming up that are open to the public. Hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Art Romeo 1960

I recently purchased a 1952 yearbook on ebay. I scanned some of the pages into a file. See 10 attachments. Please let me know if you get all 10 pages.

Thanks

Bill Hackmack 1966

Bill

The pages came through very nicely. All were legible and clear. Who was selling their yearbook?

Thanks

buffalo bob casale

The name on the inside of the yearbook is Dorothy Boudreau. The person selling it was a M. Bilodeau in Florida. Maybe Dorothys son?

Bill

Bill

We have no other students from the class of 1952 on our master list. Perhaps some others from adjacent classes will remember Dorothy and provide some information.

Thanks

bob



# Updates



## **Classes 1961 – 1981 "Generation One" Reunion April 28, 2012**

**Time** Saturday, April 28, 2012 · 7:00pm - 11:00pm

**Location** State University of New York at Stony Brook

**Created By** Stony Brook University Alumni Association

Classes 1961 - 1981  
"Generation One" Reunion - April 28, 2012

Hundreds of your classmates from Generation One are planning to attend, so you won't want to miss this opportunity to come back to the Brook.

For information, call 1-631-632-6130 or e-mail [genonereunion@stonybrook.edu](mailto:genonereunion@stonybrook.edu).

**More Info** Update: Latest message from Ken Marcus '71 and Ed Berenhaus '74!  
<http://bit.ly/s3wIYU>

If you would like to volunteer for the Generation One Reunion  
<http://bit.ly/rz31eG>

Event Website  
<http://www.stonybrook.edu/generationone>  
Event Blog  
<http://genonereunion.posterous.com/>

# Updates

## Another note from Tom Manaskie

Dear Bob & gang,

Read the article on Perfect Line and Goettelmann Electric. My mom worked there for over 20 years. First at the Old Country Road location by the railroad tracks and then on New South Road. Mr. Goettelmann owned both businesses. One location made electrical outlets, covers etc and the other was the electrician business.

My mom was one of the first retirees from Perfect Line. I just found her retirement papers and she received \$36.00 a month pension.

By the way, in 1951, I was water boy for the Field Club.

Tom Manaskie

HHS 1960

I would like to update my records, if I haven't already done so.

I moved to upstate NY, in the beautiful Catskill Mountain area.

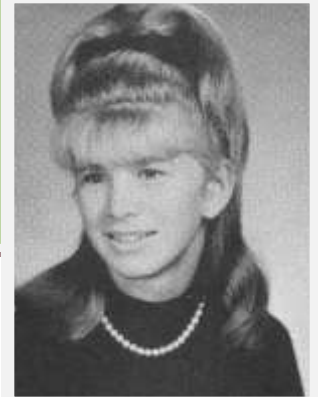
Enjoy the newsletter each month. Thank you for the work you put into it.

Sincerely

Loretta McMahon McLaughlin 1966

*Editor note:*

*Anyone wanting to contact Loretta, please send a note to [editors@hixnews.com](mailto:editors@hixnews.com)*



## Random Fun Fact



Your odds of being killed in a tornado are  
1 in 2 million.

*You have better odds if you aren't IN the tornado!*

# Updates

Hi to everyone, especially the class of 1956,

Just wanted to let everyone know that I'm still acting and as soon as something evolves, I will let you all know. I'm 73 and just as excited as I was last year!

Hope everyone is happy and healthy.

Harri Molese 1956



## *Editor Note:*

*I usually watch Law and Order every morning while I'm working on the newsletter. There was an episode this morning that had a fellow sitting in a jewelry store at a counter. I'm pretty sure it was Norm Golden.*

## **Flashback to December 2007 issue of the Newsletter**

Hi Norm,

I've seen your commercial twice in the past two nights, tonight during the CSI-NY show on CBS. It's terrific and you look yourself! My wife, Sharon, was watching TV with me last night and I'm screaming like a mad-man: "That's Norm Golden. I just saw him at the reunion and he told me about this commercial!" It's a good commercial and well written with you and your commercial son going all the way to Norway, only to find out you're Swedish and then booking a trip to Stockholm.

So, in addition to Billy Joel and Sal Mistretta (Law & Order) we now have another celebrity in our midst! Congratulations on the successful career shift. That's terrific!!

All the best,

Joe Carfora, '62

*(Ed. Note: Don't forget about Harri Molese, class of 1956, the Hicksville part of Brooklyn Bridge, John and Jim Cunningham (Twin Tones), Lorraine Bracci and Howie Blauvelt.)*

I noticed that my year of graduation on the HixNews list has 1958 when, in reality, I graduated with the class of 1959.

Thanks

Rosemary O'Rourke Woytowitz

## *Editor Note:*

*Hi Rosemary, I thought that was wrong when I first saw it, because I remembered you were in my class! It's fixed now. Thanks for confirming my suspicion.*

*Best, Henry*



# Updates

Hi Bob,

Received class reunion booklet last week from Mary Cleary. Enjoyed pictures, articles, and DVD. I was so looking forward to the reunion but injured my back the week before and could not make the three-hour drive from Pennsylvania. Missing the reunion will be something I will regret for a long time.

I have been following all the news and updated pictures on the Internet. You have done an incredible job putting the photo gallery together and keeping our classmates in touch with each other.

So sorry to here about Dennis Naso. My prayers and thoughts are with his family. At our age we all know what it feels like to lose someone you love.

I noticed in memoriam two dear friends, Neil Rosen & Cynthia Moulton, have also passed on. I was wondering if you might know when and what might have happened to them. If not, perhaps you might know someone who does or how I could find out some more information about them.

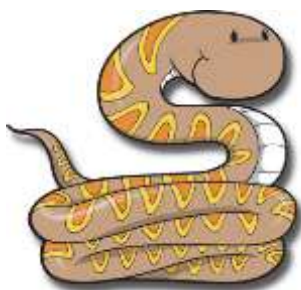
Look forward to hearing from you and keep up the good work as the HHS Class of '61 ambassador.

Tom Duncan

There is a picture from the 1961 Fifty Year Reunion that was taken by Paul Patterson, Rosa Szendy's husband. It's another shot taken of the group gathered in the staircase.

Love Yah

Buffalo Bob Casale



## Random Fun Fact

There are no poisonous snakes in Maine.

*Maybe the moose trampled them all?*



# Thanks

*An apology for my oversight last month. Helen Luna Carr (1963) submitted some information but I neglected to indicate who sent the information. Shown again below and this time you know where it came from. Sorry Helen. I love You. Buffalo bob casale*

Hi Bob and the HixNews Gang:

Thank you so much for the birthday greetings...the flowers were beautiful and the cake looks delicious. You really do a fabulous job remembering to send out greetings to everybody for their special day. And of course, the work you and the rest of the crew do putting the monthly newsletter together is nothing short of fantastic. I look forward to it every month. Keep up the great work!

I've attached a picture of me and my husband, David, taken last winter at Ca'Bruzzo Winery near Vicenza, Italy where our son-in-law is stationed with the 173rd Airborne Brigade... what a great trip! And, if everything works out as planned, it's quite possible that we will be going back for another visit in the spring! I can't wait! Take care of yourself and stay well.

Helen (Luna) Carr '63



Thanks so much for the birthday wishes.

Ellen Boos Bruwer 1954

Thank you once more for your thoughtfulness and for all that you folks do for the HHS gang! You make my Halloween Birthday even more special.  
Sandi Olsen Trenka 1955



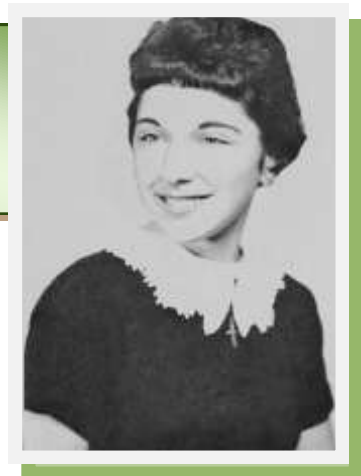
Bob

First-off, many thanks for the birthday card. Second, a Happy Thanksgiving to you, your staff, and anyone else responsible for collating and producing The Newsletter.

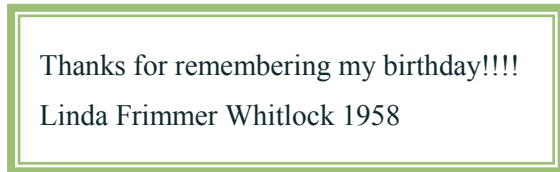
Hank Chupka 1955

# More Thanks!

Thank you all soooo much for the birthday card and wishes. I love it. Thank you again,  
Pat "Bunny" Uvino Greenridge 1959



Thanks for remembering my birthday!!!!  
Linda Frimmer Whitlock 1958



HICKSVILLE  
COMETS



Thanks a bunch for the lovely card and remembering me on my birthday. It's always nice to be wished a happy birthday on your special day.

Again, thanks

Maddy Bianco DeLouisa 1960



# Grazi, Gracias, Danke, Merci

Dear HixNews

Thanks a lot for the birthday card!

All the best

Denny Tillman 1960



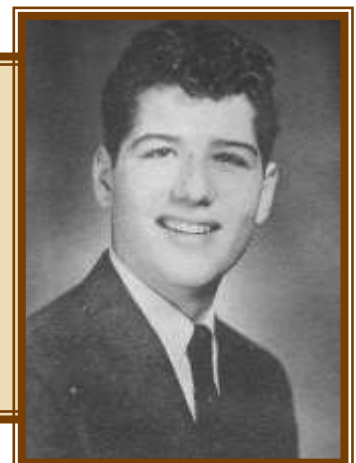
Thanks to everybody at HixNews for remembering my birthday with that cute e-card. Best wishes to all.

Bob Masone 1962



Thank you so much for remembering. It is our 43rd Anniversary and it seems like yesterday. We are blessed with wonderful family and friends. Looking forward to seeing everyone in October 2012!!!! Bob you and your crew do a fabulous job keeping all of us together. Joe and I wish you and yours a very Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving!

Love, Patti Bilancia Posillico & Joe Posillico



# You guys are full of Thanks!

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness, Bob and the gang at the Hicksville Newsletter, for my birthday card!

Ginny Wyer 1963



Thank you Bob. I enjoy the surprise every year. I live in Ohio but still miss Hicksville. The best place to grow up and then face the world. Thank you and the staff for a great newsletter every month. Hope you and yours have a great Thanksgiving and Holidays.

Bob Gerrets 1966



Dear HixNews

Thanks for the birthday greetings

Barbara Leek Favero 1965





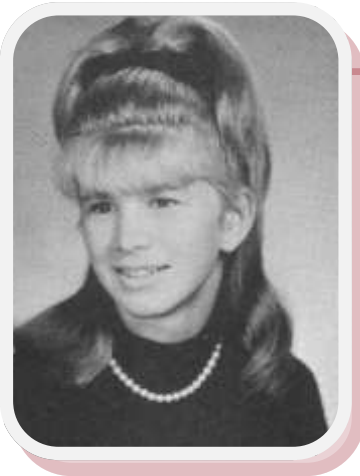
# It is our pleasure!

Dear Bob

Thank you so much for thinking of me for my November birthday. Regards to all and to the Class of 1966 have a Happy Holiday.

From chilly with snow flurries upstate NY !!!!!

Loretta McMahon McLaughlin 1966



Hi, I was wondering why I was not included in the September birthdays (9/12) or in the anniversaries (11/14/1965). I really enjoy the newsletter it brings back some great memories.

Best regards

Harold Glazer 1962



*Editor Note:*

*My fault for registering you as a new reader but forgetting to send you a welcome letter that says glad to have you on our mailing list and also asks for your birthday and anniversary. Val Pakaluk, who edits those two lists will add your name so we don't ignore you next year. If you'd like, please send along your wife's name and birthday and we can register her also.*



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

Dear HixNews

Thanks so much for the great card, Bob and the Hicksville gang! How did you know I adore cats!!!! My news for the year is that my husband Neil and I, earlier this autumn, took a long & ambitious holiday in his homeland, New Zealand, where it was HIS turn to have a 50th high school reunion, and touched for a while at Jakarta, Sydney, and Los Angeles--but there's no place like home and I'm glad to be back in London! The only consolation for getting 69 years young is that all the other class of 60 members will be joining me at that point on our life journey. I'd also like to proudly announce that our daughter, Molly Macindoe, a free-lance photographer, has just recently published a smashing book of her photography, 'Out of Order: A Celebration of the Free Party Scene', with over 400 photographs from a manual camera. Anyone interested in unusual photography, or urban sub-cultures should look at her website, [www.mollymacindoe.com](http://www.mollymacindoe.com)

Love to all,

Lois Chaber 1960



Thanks so much for the great birthday card! Being a Halloween birthday often leaves me open to all kinds of witchy remarks. Thanks for making just a lovely birthday greeting!!

Doreen (Jakabek '65) Kharman-Wittig

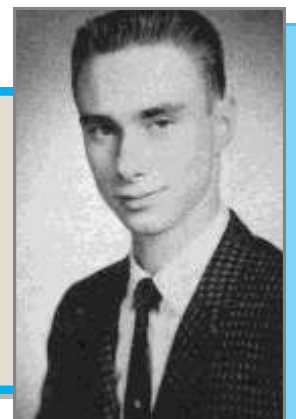
Thanks for the birthday card and wishes, Bob. Much appreciated!

David Rubin 1982

Dear all:

I wanted to take a minute and thank you all for the posting of "An August Meeting In The Catskills" to the November issue of the HixNews Newsletter. The posting of both text and pictures, adding all the additional information about our wives and, of course, our graduation pictures, was superbly done. Thank you all.

Ron Rocek



# Last of the thanks

Dear Bob,

We just received the DVD that you so generously produced and sent out to the alumnus. The pictures and comments are precious reminders of our common roots and shared special times. When we tell our children and grandchildren that we would go back, if it were possible, in a heartbeat, we truly mean it. So, it wasn't perfect but, it was much better than the world we live in today. Those were the days when we knew, for certain, right from wrong even if we didn't always follow what our consciences dictated. I would like to think that if I were able to go back in time that I would make better use of my study time. But, now that I have been retired from the LIRR almost 20 years I guess it really doesn't matter very much. We hope that you are well and enjoying the proverbial and imaginative golden years.

Thank you again for the memories.

Barbara (Coons) Cunningham 1963 & Jim Cunningham



Dear Bob, et all,

I just read my first issue of HixNews and I can't tell you how much I enjoyed it!! You are all to be commended for your dedication in getting the news out about this great school. Unfortunately, I moved the summer between my junior and senior years and did not get to graduate (class of 1962) along with all the kids I grew up with. Now I am trying to reconnect with some of them. Please keep up the good work!

Connie Damarodas Skow

# New Readers



Thomas H. Duncan 1961



John Mirro 1962



Bill Reilly 1962



Diane Magee O'Brien 1963



Howard M. Gilbert 1964



Marie Cannizzaro 1966

William Cisler 1947

Lydia (Sluder) Cassidy 1966

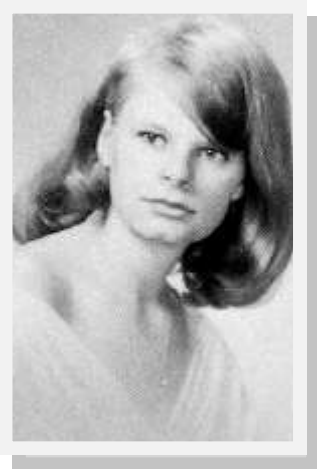
John A Grundon 1967

Michael A. Romano 1970

Louise (Mayer) Kerns, friend 1969

Amy Flannery 1985

# New Readers



Vi Mathon Reilly 1968



Terri (Laing) Fetten 1969



Ronni (Malamud) Jillions 1974



WELCOME

# Looking for



I would like to contact Cecelia Horn regarding her memory of the 2-room schoolhouse in Plainview. I graduated 1946 and my mother was teacher/principal during the war years. She was the teacher/principal and taught grades 4,5 and 6. Mrs. Waters taught grades 1,2 and 3 at the same time. Students then came to Hicksville to finish. Eventually, she stayed with Plainview school district and retired after many years. If she will contact me I would be glad to correspond about the old days.

Thanks,  
Bill Stahley

*Editor Note:*

*Dear Cele,*

*Bill Stahley (Class of 1946) would like to correspond with you "about the old days"(see his request, below). His email address is: <removed for privacy>*

*Send him your email address (which I have suppressed for your privacy) if you are so inclined.*

*Best, Henry*

*H. Lichtenstein—HixNews Systems*

Dear Sirs and/or Madam,

I would appreciate assistance to discover the whereabouts of Heather Williams a graduate of Hicksville High School in 1963. I was a friend who recently discovered I was in the possession of her Comet '63 yearbook. She would remember the reason why she loaned it to me back in the mid 1960's. I attended Hicksville Middle School and had my final year in 9th grade Junior High. My family moved to Farmingdale in 1960.

Please see my personal information below. Any advice to aid me in my quest to return a wonderful keepsake to Heather and her family will be greatly appreciated by both parties.

Michael DeMaio

Hi Michael,

We have no information available for Heather Williams HHS Class of 1963. If, however, you subscribe to HixNews (it's free), we would add your request to our People Looking for People list.

You can subscribe as a Friend of the Class of 1963, by using the Google subscription box on our homepage (upper, left) at: <http://hixnews.com>



**H. Lichtenstein**



# Looking for...

Hello! I'm sitting in my office and happened to stumble across the website. I was in the class of 67. How would one go about acquiring email addresses of classmates?  
Thanks

Richard Labanowski



Editor Note:

The first thing is to go to the home page of the newsletter

<http://hixnews.com>

There is a google group box in the upper left portion of the home page.

Put your email address into the box and hit submit.

Henry will be in touch and the process can begin.

Scroll down and check this out

[HixNews Subscribers Name & Class List](#)

We have an organized online spreadsheet that presents our current membership:  
available by [clicking here](#)

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to: [editors@hixnews.com](mailto:editors@hixnews.com)



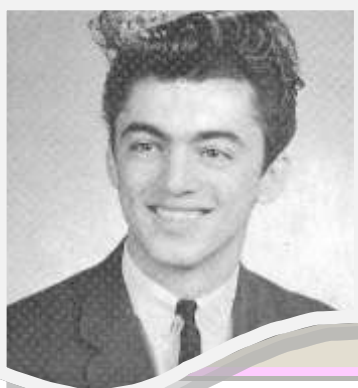
# Looking for...

Hi!

Please forward this note to Vic Olsen.

Thank you very much.

Dennis Listort '64



*to Vic Olsen*

Vic, I remember your terrific drum playing and I believe you and I (guitar) played together at some point. Do you recall also playing with Vic Brunette (guitar), Don Dixon (guitar), Pat Gonzalez (drums) and Jim (a bass player whose last name escapes me)? I believe we jammed a lot with Steve Swanson (keyboards) and Keith Thomas (singer), too. Any recollections? Hope all is well.

Dennis Listort '64

*Editor Note: .a note was forwarded to Vic*





# Passages

I just read Elynn's remembrance of her sister Hope. I knew them both a long time ago. Very sad about Hope. My wife died in '96. It was a long time ago, but...

Kenneth McCollum, Ph.D.

Chief Information Officer

St. Joseph's College New York



I wanted to let you know that Jim (Jimmy) Dowd, Class of 1965, passed away suddenly on Thursday Nov 10 at his home in Bunker Hill, WV. He was a US Navy Vietnam vet.



Bob

My brother Robert I. Scauzillo passed away on October 10, 2011 unexpectedly due to heart failure. He was 58 and resided in Farmingdale but was born in Hicksville. He was a 1971 HHS graduate and ran track at Hicksville in his Junior and senior years.

Walter Scauzillo 1966

# Passages



Joan R. Sabatella Plock

August 28, 1943 – November 14, 2011



Joan R. Plock, 68 of Ridgefield who served the Town of Ridgefield as Selectwoman died at her home on Monday, November 14, 2011. She was the wife of Harry J. Plock. Joan was born in Hicksville, L.I., NY, August 28, 1943, a daughter of the late Frank and Blanche Sabatella. She attended Hicksville schools and was a 1961 graduate of Hicksville High School, Hicksville NY. Joan attended and graduated from SUNY-Plattsburgh.

A resident of Ridgefield for the past thirty years coming from Long Island, NY, she was an office manager with Ridgefield Associates and was active in the Ridgefield Community Outreach program. Prior to her election as Selectwoman for the Town of Ridgefield, Mrs. Plock served as a member of the Board of Education and its chairperson.

In addition to her husband of thirty-seven years, she is survived by two sons, Michael Plock of Brooklyn, NY and Dr. Cory Plock and his wife, Lizette of Danbury; a brother, James Sabatella and his wife, Linda of Riverhead, L.I., NY; two sisters, Patricia Reth of California and Betty Sabatella and two grandchildren, Carter Plock and Brandon Plock. Funeral services will take place on Saturday, November 19, 2011 at 2 pm in the Kane Funeral Home, 25 Catoonah St., Ridgefield. Interment will take place at the direction of the family. The family will receive friends in the Kane Funeral Home on Saturday at 1:30 pm. Contributions in Joan's memory and honor may be made to the Visiting Nurse Association of Ridgefield, 90 East Ridge, Meals on Wheels, 25 Gilbert St., Ridgefield Fire Dept. Ambulance Fund, 6 Catoonah St. or to the Ridgefield Library, 472 Main St. all of Ridgefield 06877.

# Passages



Sue Flanagan Mezza

I'm afraid I have some sad news to report.

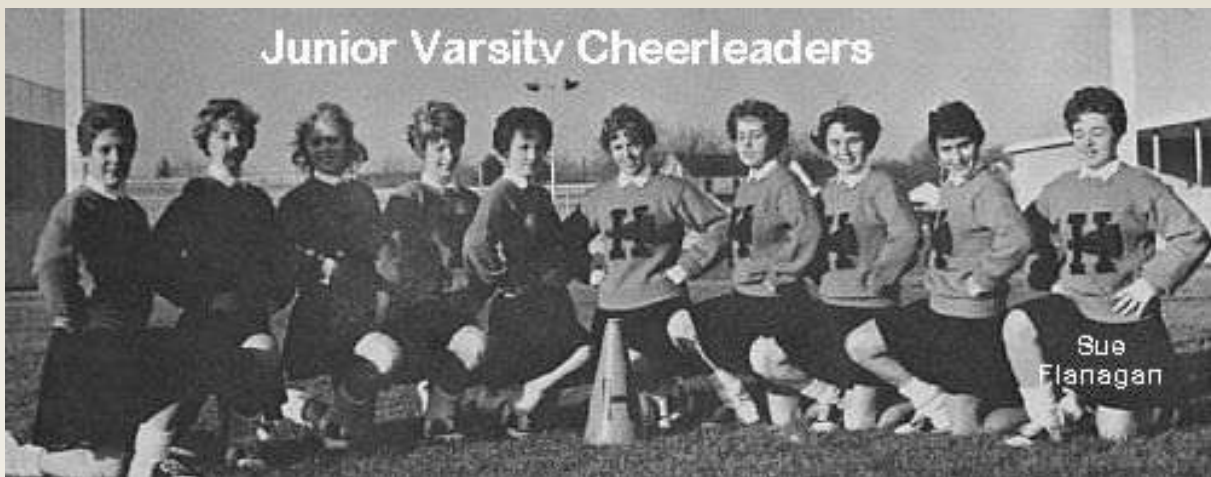
Tuesday night, 11/15, when I was walking my dog, I met my neighbor, Michael Flanagan who is a cousin of Sue Flanagan Mezza.

He advised me that Sue passed away on September 20th, 2 days after her 70th birthday. Sue had congestive heart failure, had fallen a couple of times recently - the last of which was in her garage when she was alone but, fortunately, had her cell phone on her so she was able to summon aid. Sue had been in the hospital for a little while and in rehab for what was supposed to be a week, but had just been extended for another week to make sure she would be able to function sufficiently on her own, since she would be going home to an empty house, as no one lived with her. About

2 days after she was advised of the rehab extension, Sue wasn't feeling well at about 1 o'clock in the morning and asked for assistance to the bath-

room and back to bed. At about 4:30 that same morning, rehab personnel went to check on her and found her dead in bed. May she rest in peace.

Joan Gabriel 1959



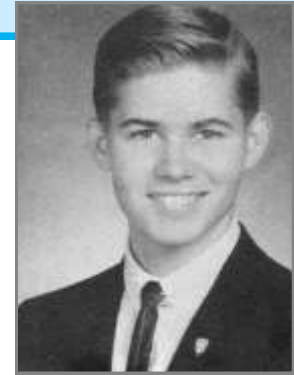
# Dear Buffalo Bob

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

Dear Bob and the Gang,

Thank you so much for the lovely anniversary card. We are at home watching the early snowfall. (Oct. 29) The weather was certainly a lot warmer 40 years ago. We celebrated this milestone with a 15 day cruise through the Panama Canal earlier this year and this past week we were in Florida. Obviously we came back too soon only to be greeted with this yucky weather. Thank you for the good wishes and thank you for the great job you continue to do every month on the Hicksville News.

Peggy (Moldovak) Gill 1967 and Tom Gill 1966



## Buffalo Bob's Note:

I went through the Panama Canal back in early 1965 when I was aboard the USS LIBERTY (AGTR-5). It was quite an experience and I stayed up all night exchanging towlines with the gurneys at the various locks. No one wanted to do it, so I volunteered. So glad I did.



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# Dear Buffalo Bob

*A P.S. from Peggy...*

Just finished reading another wonderful issue of the Hicksville High School Alumni Newsletter. I've attached a photo that was taken this past summer with some of my girlfriends from the Class of 67. The picture is (L to R) Peggy (Moldovak) Gill, Linda (Van Allen) DeSimone, Margie (Monte) Rizza and Margie (Garipoli) Zampalla. We lost contact with Margie Garipoli about 35 years ago and just were reunited about 3 years ago. Linda Van Allen lives in New Jersey, Margie Monte on Long Island, Margie Garipoli in California and I'm still in Hicksville. We had a great afternoon together.



*So ends another episode of "Dear Buffalo Bob"*

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

# Hicksville Memories

## Last month's challenge

**Then and now, what business is this?**



The answer to this month's location is Calda Pizza on the corner of Old Country Road and Halsey Ave.

Peggy Moldavak Gill 1967

**Editor Note:**

*I received this reply within minutes of the newsletter going live! You guys must really love us!*

*David*

Hi Peggy:

Didn't take you long to get that one, eh? Calda it is and boy do I have fond memories of their pizza. Burning the roof of my mouth eating it too quickly but it was so good. How is the pizza now? Do they deliver to Florida?

Thanks for guessing and congrats for guessing correctly!

David Rubin '82

Their pizza is still pretty good. There is nothing like New York pizza. The most recent picture that you are showing, is not the most recent look to their store front. They have moved the door slightly to the left, giving a bit more room for the counter service. I'll try and get a picture of the "new" look and send it to you before the week is out.

Peggy

# Hicksville Memories

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Please do! And nothing wrong with sending us some pizza too :)

David

Hi David

Attached is a picture taken recently.

As you can see, there is continuing work being done to the outside of the building. I thought of sending you a picture of a NY pizza, but then I thought that would be too cruel. Hope you get to NY in the near future so you can re-live that wonderful taste.

Peggy Gill



Thanks, Peggy and thank you for not making me drool all over my keyboard. I'll be in NYC for Thanksgiving to visit my brother so I hope I can get some 1) NY Pizza and 2) NY bagels cause they don't know nothin' down here in Florida

David

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Peg

Calda Pizza, then and now.

Tom Manaskie 1960

Thanks Tom! Absolutely correct!

David Rubin 1982





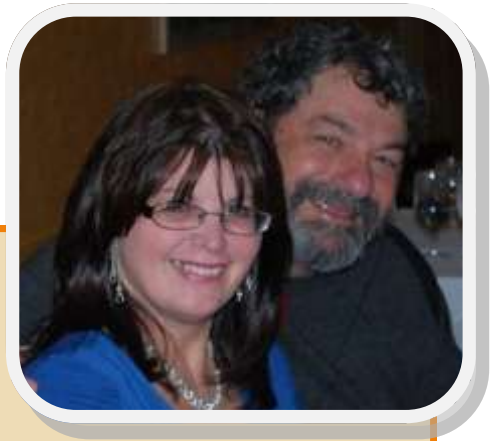
# Hicksville Memories



I think the building in the November edition is "Calda Pizza" on Old Country Road. I spent many a lunch period there in High School.

I remember one of the owners was named Maria.

Josie Dzieniezewski Bacchi 1976



Correct guess, Josie!

I can remember the taste of the sauce and the sensation of burning the roof of my mouth AGAIN as I ate the pizza too quickly.

David Rubin

Ah yes...good times, good times! The student lunch special "2 slices and a coke for \$2.00" or maybe it was \$3.00, anyway it was a bargain.

I am glad to see someone from the "younger" (LOL!) generations on board w/Hix News. It is a great newsletter. Can't say I like it when they publish my high school photo though! YUK!! *It's so everyone can remember you Josie, and you looked/look great! David*

I look at the other older photos and think to myself gosh they were all so good looking. I wish I looked that good when I was in high school.

Keep up the great work!

Josie Bacchi 1976

***A note from Buffalo Bob:***

***First observation: there was nothing wrong with your looks "then" or "now".***

***Second: back in 1961, I had a pass to leave school for lunch. Several of my friends and I used to go to Tony's for lunch. Tony had a deli that was close to where Wickers is today (the corner of Old Country and Newbridge Road). I used to get a hero with ham, Swiss and bacon with mustard, mayonnaise and tomato and a soda. The cost was about a buck. Does anyone else remember anything about Tony's? Oh, by the way, my high school photo does me no justice.***



# Hicksville Memories

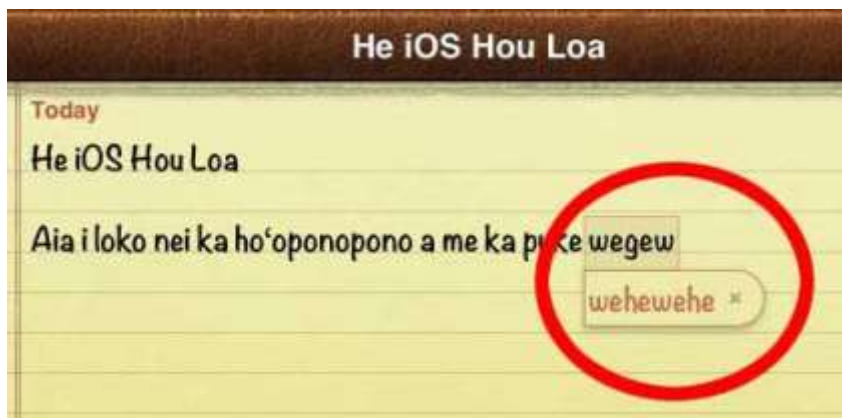
So onto the next challenge! Name the three churches in Hicksville pictured here! **GOOD LUCK!**



## Random Fun Fact

The Hawaiian alphabet consists of only 12 letters.

*I still couldn't pass their spelling tests*



# Useful Household Tips



## Is It Time to Rewire Your Home?

Help protect your family, home and valuables from an electrical fire. Be alert to signs of potentially faulty wiring.



## Check & Seal Windows

Fall is a great time to tighten seals and give yourself a break on your energy bill.

Stuff a miniature marshmallow in the bottom of a sugar cone to prevent ice cream drips.

Use a meat baster to "squeeze" your pancake batter onto the hot griddle - perfect shaped pancakes every time.

To keep potatoes from budding, place an apple in the bag with the potatoes.

To prevent egg shells from cracking, add a pinch of salt to the water before hard-boiling.

Run your hands under cold water before pressing Rice Krispies treats in the pan-the marshmallow won't stick to your fingers.

To get the most juice out of fresh lemons, bring them to room temperature and roll them under your palm against the kitchen counter before squeezing.

To easily remove burnt-on food from your skillet, simply add a drop or two of dish soap and enough water to cover bottom of pan, and bring to a boil on stove-top - skillet will be much easier to clean.

Spray your Tupperware with nonstick cooking spray before pouring in tomato-based sauces - no more stains.

When a cake recipe calls for flouring the baking pan, use a bit of the dry cake mix instead - no white mess on the outside of the cake.

If you accidentally over-salt a dish while it's still cooking, drop in a peeled potato - it absorbs the excess salt for an instant "fix me up".

Brush beaten egg white over pie crust before baking to yield a beautiful glossy finish.

# Where's the newsletter?

## Why can't I read the newsletter?

Hi

I wasn't sure whom to email. Had trouble with my computer and although I did receive the November issue I hadn't gotten to read it before my computer went bad. Anyway, it is now fixed but I lost the November issue. Could someone email it to me again? I so look forward to it each month.

Thank you.

Donna Schrimpe 1966

Donna, the HixNews is always online. Just go to [hixnews.com](http://hixnews.com) and you'll always see the current issue, even if you don't get an email.

Roger Whitaker, Webmaster



## Random Fun Fact



**Apples, not caffeine, are more efficient at waking you up in the morning.**

*Maybe if apples had beans in them...*

# Mea Culpa



I have to apologize to Barbara DiBella and her husband. The reason is that I spiced up the details of a trip they made recently aboard a cruise ship that left from Bayonne. The information shown in the November issue is not accurate, so the details are provided here directly from Barbara.

John and I enjoy traveling very much...as many people do. We are fortunate that we do get to do some interesting trips. This trip, on the Summit of Celebrity Lines, was supposed to be a "leaf-peeping" trip.... not so because the leaves had barely changed - still so much green leaves around! We left 9/25 and returned to Pt. Liberty on Oct. 9th.

We had some very bad weather out in the Atlantic while we were in Quebec City. Two of our ports were closed, Prince Edward Island, home of Anne of Green Gables, and Sydney, Nova Scotia. The Captain informed us that we would be staying in Quebec City another overnight, leave mid-morning the next day, spend the day sailing up and down the St. Lawrence and finally when it was time, sail up the Sagunay River and dock and tour Le Bai (I think the spellings are correct). The weather in Quebec City left much to be desired. The wind was blowing at least at 50 miles per hr. with higher gusts. Skies were overcast and the temperature was about 47 or so. Most unpleasant. We determined that a bus tour would be better than a walking tour! It was very chilly and windy at Le Bai as well and we were happy to have sweaters and warm jackets with us for the activities and sightseeing in that port. The area has 3 aluminum plants and cheap power. Quebec is really rather self-supporting, probably due to their wanting to be an independent "country" within Canada in the past, and who knows, maybe in the future.

Our sailing toward home was just fine. No rough seas or bad weather. However, our arriving 2.5 hours late at our port was a worry and annoyance to those who had planes and other travel arrangements to get to. Our daughter picked us up, which was great.... the temperature in NJ that day - ready for this - 87 for the high. It was like the middle of summer. I caught a nasty cold - or maybe something more because antibiotics helped me.

By the time we returned to western NJ, there was plenty of color to see in the trees...in Sparta, NJ, they had had a frost and things were moving toward Indian summer.

We will be taking a cruise in December a little closer to home...we'll go with club members to the Caribbean and have stops in Aruba and Curacao as will as Princess Lines private island for a day at the beach. Weather should be better!

