



# Massapequa High School

## Class of 1960

### Newsletter -- March 2011



## Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Back from my cruise and boy oh boy did I get sick!!!..seasick and the flu but I think mostly the flu...we did enjoy the trip and our island excursions in St. Lucia, St. Kitts and St. Maarten...my favorite being St. Maarten.

We had 3 small worlds happen! Virginia Cookie Mattson was on St. Maarten at the same time as my husband and I ..we had made arrangements to meet but things just did not work out and as bad as I felt..I am sure no one wanted to be around me!!! Sorry Cookie. 2nd small world ..classmate... James Lafferty was leaving on a cruise the same day as I was but not the same ship.... 3rd small world and probably the best one..Marie Zere bit into an apple on her way to the mini reunion and it bothered her..so Harvey Rosenbaum (class of 1959) took her to a dentist nearby and it turned out that he was from Massapequa High School, not sure what class..name was Raymond Della Porta any one know him?

Well we had our mini Florida reunion and we all had a great time....We met at Captains Hiram's Resort in Sebastian, Florida on February 23 around noon. The party started at the poolside with drinks and snacks...People started arriving from Florida of course, but others from North Carolina and South Carolina...even New York!!



We all were excited to see each other again and to meet new classmates that were not at the reunion in New York. Those attending were..myself and husband Terry, Sandy Taylor Lynch, Marie

Zere(from NY), Bob and Barbara Turano(Prince), Pam Curlis Kelly and husband Gary(from South Carolina), Joan Daniels Beyer and husband Clint Beyer (class of 1959) from North Carolina, David Buckman and wife Sam, Jeff Burnstein, Tom Sunila and wife Duscita from Sarasota, Jack Finck and wife Sue, Noel Bauer and wife Marci, Doug McDonough and wife Sandy, Virginia Cookie Mattson (New York and South Carolina) ,Lynn Thomson Scott, Harvey Rosenbaum and wife Colleen (class of 1959), Valerie Furst Ferrara and husband Richard, Diane Giordano Baule, James Lafferty and wife Sabina...we had a few more coming but illness kept them away..maybe next time...

We headed for dinner, music and water views...Next morning we met for breakfast and headed for a 3 hour boat ride around the area which we all decided was way too long!! but good...headed back to the beach in time for the shuttle launch...We took lots of pictures some of which you are seeing here. We had a great time. The women seemed to laugh a lot, cried a lot and the men of course all got along real well. It seemed as though we have never left our high school friends!!! We had our yearbooks and some were very worn..had fun looking back!!

### In Memoriam

Richard Nahodyl from the Atlanta , Georgia area passed in December and our thoughts go out to his family and friends.

### Classmate News

The following sent e-mails regarding the mini reunion...I posted all of them on a board and everyone read them..they were appreciated.

We also had a picture board with old classmates photos, old buildings and schools that we all attended.

Marc Madaio( he said he had many stories to share and maybe next time) Lucille Shapiro, Lenore (Piccininni) Kaler, Sharon Agnone, James Powell ,Lilly( Radziewicz) Gwiliam ( we called her and sang Happy Birthday since February 23 was her birthday). Roz (Ehlers) Abbozzi, Lorraine Handel, Vallerie Cooper, Greg Martell, John Derosa, Linda (Knudsen) Enchandy, Lew Bonagura, Carol Debeer, Ira Herbst, Bob Saputo Vinnie Amarando, Paul Distabile were just a few who sent regrets and regards and hoped we would have a good time.

If anyone has news that they would like included please let me know or have any pictures that you would like to share with the rest of the class please forward to me and I will be happy to put in the next newsletter. We are looking for any pictures of the firehouse that many of us attended and the cottage that was on the ground of the current MHS.

We are thinking already about another reunion in the spring of 2012..any ideas?? So far a cruise has been talked about( I am already getting pricing etc), Disneyworld and maybe another laid back place somewhere else in Florida. Get your thinking caps on and start saving for the next one!!

Since February flew by this is the March edition..sorry I missed February all together.

#### **Anniversaries**

Joan and Clint Beyer 50 years!! Can anyone beat that?

#### **Weather News**

Here in paradise temperature is 80 and sunny!

#### **General News**

Who lives the farthest away? Who has the most grandchildren? Anyone a great grandparent?

#### **More Pictures From The Mini Reunion.**

Just a few of the gang..others out doing their own thing or had not arrived yet.



L-R Jeff Burnstein, Dave Buckman, Jack Finck, Bob Turano, Doug McDonough, Noel Bauer



Standing: Joan (Daniels) Beyer, Marion Pat (Birkbeck) Garrett, Pam (Curlis) Kelly  
Sitting : Barbra (Prince) Turano, Sandy (Taylor) Lynch



Valerie (Furst) Ferrara and husband Richard



James Lafferty



Tom Sunila and wife Duscia



## Our Boat



Diane (Giordano) Baule, Sandy(Taylor)Lynch, Bob and Barbara Turano, Terry Garrett



Marie Zere



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