### **Massapequa High School**

**Class of 1960** 

### **Newsletter -- August 2011**

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Only 215 days till the Cruise!!! Sign up soon!

Hello classmates and hope you are staying cool....the weather north has been a lot worse than here in Florida but it is still hot here!!!! Hope you all are enjoying your summer and having fun on vacation. A few of our classmates have been doing some traveling and in this newsletter I will let you see what they have been seeing...it is great.

#### Our alumni who served in the arm forces:

#### Jack Blomquist

Jack Blomquist joined the navy on a cold and wet winter day in '61.

Since I was still 17 at the time (16 on the last day of school) I enlisted on what was called a kiddee cruise. Instead of signing for a full four years



your enlistment lasted until the day before you were 21. In my case 3 years, 2 months, and 29 days. I served in Charleston SC where I met and married my wife and then in Norfolk Virginia. I didn't get to see

the world as the poster said. Since I was trained in computers before enlisting I was able to continue on in the field and left as a Machine Accountant 2<sup>nd</sup> class. I remember the Cuban missile crises of '62 very well because it was our job to begin the process of recalling the 6<sup>th</sup> fleet reservists if we indeed went to war. Following my discharge from the Navy I joined IBM in Poughkeepsie NY, transferred to Gaithersburg MD, then on to Raleigh NC.

### <u>Travels:</u>

#### **Barbara Boyar**

I drove 3000 miles without a scratch or a ticket. Just hit a stop sign in my own town tore up parking lot, darn.



I visited friends along the way in Palm Coast, and DC, then drove up to Eldred, NY to see my brothers Ed and Andy, class 1958 and 1962, I think. My niece married a Scotsman in May. Then to Sparta, NJ. another friend, very beautiful there and then The Big Apple. My daughter Marni has a company there, Sundayatnoon.com. She left the law and is a matchmaker. Look up her website pretty cool. Saw the BIG DEAL MOBBED Alexander McQueen exhibit. It was fabulous, but too crowded. Walked in the broiling heat then headed to Long Beach where my son and new wife live. We spent time at the ocean, heavenly, and he had his 2 girls for the week and my daughter who lives in Wantagh with her family. All in all it beats FL, but not in the winter. Drove home through DC and got a great shot of the Mormon Temple off the Beltway. I posted that on facebook last week. It was a perfect getaway in spite of the heat. I have not yet begun to edit

the NY pics- time consuming but fun. I did get 1 great shot at the McQueen exhibit, but can't post that one.

Looking forward to the new job with lots of great memories from the summer.

#### Ron Shiperd

In early May we drove down to stay at the old mission town of San Juan Bautista (where



Hitchcock filmed scenes from "Vertigo") and hike around the Pinnacles National Monument. Then in July we drove

through Nevada, Idaho, and Utah in pursuit of my project to photograph county courthouses of the west for my Web site, and stayed at a lodge in Idaho's Sawtooth mountains where we hiked some more. I expect



we saw more pronghorn antelope than Massapequa High School alumni.



#### **Grant Greinberg**

Grant told me his vacation is wherever the camera takes him!







#### **Dave Buckman and wife Sam**

Are vacationing in Upstate NY near the Finger Lakes and are sitting on a deck looking across Cayuga Lake..Sam says with beautiful breezes and with open windows..not like Florida!

<u>Joan Beyer and Clint</u> They will be heading to New York to visit family and maybe some visit with former classmates...

<u>Pam Curliss Kelly and husband Gary</u> have just had daughter and family for a visit after a visit to Myrtle Beach... says the house is to quiet now!

Lynn Thomson Scott and husband has been doing a lot of traveling this summer. She went to NY where she saw exhibits at the Met, went to Franklin Square where she saw the house she lived in when she was a little lass and the house her grandfather built in Brooklyn in the 19th century, saw the church she was married in, she even saw an elephant on the sidewalk in TriBeCa area of NY! Only in NY Also traveled to NJ, DC and Virginia.

Her quote of the day is "So much food, so much walking. What are the odds one will cancel out the other?"

#### **Cruise Info**

#### **Mini Reunion**

# Well the date has been chosen...March 9-12 2012

We all had such a good time at the Florida mini reunion that another one has been planned and hoping classmates from outside Florida will also join us.....so check your calendars and book early..remember the early bird gets the best!!...My friend is an awesome travel agent and she has agreed to help with getting us the best rates, rooms etc.. We will leave out of Pt. Canaveral and head to the Bahamas....

I am showing below the fares, fees and the cruise protection fees if you want to take it. As you can see from below we will be on Royal Caribbean Monarch of the Seas for 3 nights with a day at their own island (Cocoay) for sun and surf....I know my husband and I are going and I am already thinking how much fun this will be!!! Start saving those pennies and get ready for a great time on the seas...



## Royal Caribbean's Monarch of the Seas - 3 Nights - Either on 3/09/12

| Friday 3/09   | Port Canaveral | 4:30 pm sa | iling    |
|---------------|----------------|------------|----------|
| Saturday 3/10 | Nassau         | 12:00 pm   | 11:59 pm |
| Sunday 3/11   | CocoCay*       | 8:00 am    | 5:00 pm  |
| Monday 3/12   | Port Canaveral | 7:00 am    |          |

<sup>\*</sup>CocoCay is Royal Caribbean's private island full of nothing but sand, sun and secluded surf.

CocoCay is ONLY for Royal Caribbean's guests.

### Fares: All prices are per person and are based on double occupancy.

| 3/09/12            |                | Additional \$'s/per person |  |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--|
|                    |                | Gov. Fees & Taxes          |  |
| Inside Cabin       | \$269 - \$294  | \$59.07                    |  |
| Oceanview          | \$279 - \$289  | \$59.07                    |  |
| Superior Oceanview | \$309          | \$59.07                    |  |
| Suite              | \$649 - \$1599 | \$59.07                    |  |

#### **Cruise Care Vacation Protection**

Since none of us know what the future might bring, you may want to consider vacation protection:

| Cruise Cost       | Cruise Care |
|-------------------|-------------|
| \$0 - \$500       | \$29 USD    |
| \$501 - \$1,000   | \$59 USD    |
| \$1,001 - \$1,500 | \$89 USD    |

Let me hear from you so I can add your name to the list that I have started and get the best \$ and rooms .I will be giving that list to Lonny
Angelucci with Sandpiper Travel..772-781-0564.
You will be dealing directly with Lonny.
I will be sending reminders out every month so please do not get upset that I am reminding you...Remember I do this in mass e-mails!

#### Mini Reunion in Florida Open to all classes

Don Kieser (one of the organizers) told me about this and said they have been having this for 7 years! It is open to all classes of MHS Might be of interest....great time of year to be in Florida. Easy trip, near Disneyworld.



Send me any news that you want to share with your classmates.

Till next month...be safe and happy!

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