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MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone,

I hope you're all well and your summer went by the way you hoped it would.

The board and I wish you and your loved ones a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

As you know on Sunday June 23rd we had our 30th FFA Reunion at the Four Points Sheraton. The food, the entertainment and the great response from all the guests was wonderful, a good time was had by all. For those of you who could not make it, you missed out on a fantastic evening, wish you could have been there with us.

My sincere thanks to Phyllis, Ellie, Cynthia and Bobbi, we could not have done it without them.

It was our last Reunion, which was held every 5 years, we will continue to have our Card Party, and a luncheon every other year. We hope you will continue to support our affairs.

In order to keep the FFA going we need your help. Please send in what-ever you can, your donations, pictures, notes of interest and comments. If we all pitch in, FFA will keep going as a way to reconnecting and remembering the wonderful era that we were lucky to be a part of!

My thanks to all of you of you,

Sincerely
Herb Raffelson, President

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I HAVE A HAPPENING

You will get more enjoyment out of the newsletter when you share your happenings with all of us.

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L/R: Marty Rosenberg, Barb Becker, Annette Davis, Lenny Elman



NOTES FROM OUR MEMBERS

Wishing all of the members a very Happy and Healthy New Year. Al Beiderman of Delray Beach, FL

Thank you for all your time and effort put into your newsletter. Phyllis Verducci of Palm Beach, FL

I lived in Dorchester and growing up for me was great. I enjoy all the memories: The Jerry, The wall, Franklin Field & all my good friends. I am now living full time in FL and looking for my classmates of graduation year 1959, if anyone is living near me, please call at 845 641 5186 so we can reminisce. Elaine (Goldstein) Katz of Delray Beach, FL

Such joy arrived in my mailbox, Franklin Field Association newsletter! Thank you again! Helayne and Nathan Dratch of Boynton Beach, FL

I went to our first reunion 30 years ago. It was great, at the Blue Hills Country Club in Canton. Please don't stop the reunions. A charter member. Murray Seronick of Hallandale Beach, FL

Been a long time, & I miss the people & the "Wall" Lots of great memories. Elise & Harvey Grossman of Rancho Mirage, CA

Hi, I am a member of the FFA. Over the years of receiving the newsletter I recall a few names but never knew them. I am going to be 70 in August and speculate the majority of members are 5+ years older than I am. My brother, Thomas (Tom) will be 80 in Aug. 2019. Tom, as a teenager worked part time at the gas station across from Franklin Field. Tom and my sister Elinor (Ellie) who passed away in 2016, were regulars at the bowling alley that many mention. Tom went to Boston Trade School, then went on to East Coast Aero Tech. Tom was an Air Force Veteran and worked for Pratt and Whitney where he had to find out why engines failed. He retired 40 years ago from U.S. Airlines at Logan Int'l Airport. Our family lived at 21 Kingsdale St. and we moved to Hazelton St. in Mattapan. Tom is now in Randolph while I am in Avon. If anyone remembers Tom and wants to say hi or reconnect with him they can email me at avonman@excite.com for information. Best wishes to all!

Frederick (Rick) Portney of Avon, MA

I would like to know if there any members still around from the Hecht House Enrol Jr.s? My telephone is 561 822 6066. I have 6 grandchildren and 7 greatgrandchildren. I am now back on Cape Cod for good after many years in FL and will be 92 years young on May 25th. Walter Silverman of Sandwich, MA

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IN MEMORY OF

In memory of my son, Steven Alan Kessler, who passed away suddenly on June 28th, 2019. Barbara (Fagut) Kessler of Delray Beach, FL

In memory of Dick Sundook a very dear friend. We will never forget you. Sandy and Teddy Liftman of Canton, MA

In memory of Tom Wolfe, beloved husband of Beverly Kaufman Wolfe, who will be sadly missed... Sandi and Stanly Berger of Boca Raton, FL

In memory of Dickie Sundook who just wrote such a loving tribute to my husband Buddy, and now he too is gone. They were such unique, colorful characters—irrepressible, irresistible, irreplaceable. The stories of their exploits flowed back and forth endlessly, tales of a disappearing much loved world, of neighborhood and friendship never to be forgotten. I cherish the memories of the many good times we shared and send my love and deepest condolences to Phyllis, Ellen, Jason, Marc and their families. If there's any justice in the universe, all the old friends are reunited, kibitzing, reminiscing, laughing, and waiting for the rest of us to join their party. Janice Crosby of Jamaica Plain, MA

With a heavy heart I announce that my dad, James Colman, 87 Yrs. old of Dorchester, Mattapan, Hull, Stoughton, and Boca Raton, FL passed on April 22, 2019. He grew up on Lorne St. behind the Hecht House along with his future wife, Josephine (Diefenbach) Colman who recently passed a couple of years ago. Jim leaves his son Jim Jr. and grandson Jerry. He moved his family to FL in 1973. One of my fond memories was my dad, for years, playing baseball every Sunday with the same group of guys at the Norfolk St. playground. He was third base. He also Loved the track, golf and spending time with all his grandkids. They will all miss Papa. Jim colman, Jr. of Delray Beach, FL

In memory of our friend Ernie Wolf. Mickey & Norm Resnick of Palm Beach Gardens, FL

In memory of my wonderful and loving husband, Eric Starr, who passed away at the age of 81 on June 10, 2019. Eric will be dearly missed by his wife, Claire (Blinderman) Starr of San Diego, sons Jeffrey Starr (Ayelet) of Israel and David Starr (Dana) of Texas, his daughter Susan Starr Hytken (David) of San Diego, his seven grand children and our family and friends from Boston, Miami/Ft. Lauderdale, and here in San Diego. May he rest in peace. Claire Starr of San Diego, CA

In memory of my dear friend and companion Carl Gutterman. Arlene Morris of Stoughton, MA

In memory of my wife "Fay" who passed away on Dec. 22nd, 2019. She was a princess. Her maiden name was Feinstein, lived in Brighton. She was 83 years of age. Thank you and stay healthy. Albert Beiderman of Delray Beach, FL

My deepest condolences to Phyllis (Averbuck) Sundook and her-family, on the passing of her beloved husband Dickie. He was a great Dad, grandfather, and a good friend to many who enjoyed his great humor. He will be remembered and miss by all. Rita (Kaplan) Libman of Delray Beach, FL.

NEW MEMBERS

"The F.F.A. would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members"

Arnold Daniels	Weymouth, MA
Gilbert Daniels	Sun City Center, FL
Harvey & Elise Grossman	Rancho Mirage, CA
Annette Marks	Stoughton, MA
Laura Park	Stoughton, MA

ANNIVERSARIES

31st In honor of our 31st Anniversary on May 15, 2019 Marcia (Wachtel) & Burt Gerber of Plymouth, MA

64th In honor of our 64th Anniversary (wedding) Sylvia & Irving Lipsky of Delray Beach, FL and Westwood, MA

BIRTHDAYS

80th Happy 80th Birthday to my terrific brother Paul Kaplan of Northboro. A surprise celebration was held in April, where his family and friends gathered. Rita (Kaplan) Libman of Delray Beach, FL.

83rd Happy 83rd Birthday to my dear husband Burt Gerber of Plymouth, MA, R.M.H. class of 54. Marcia (Wachtel) Gerber of Plymouth, MA

92nd Walter Silverman celebrated his 92nd birthday on Cape Cod, fter many years in FL

GET WELL

Get well to Jerry Rosenberg of Delray Beach, FL. Husband of our board member Dottie (Williams) Rosenberg. From Rita (Kaplan) Libman of Delray Beach, FL and her family.

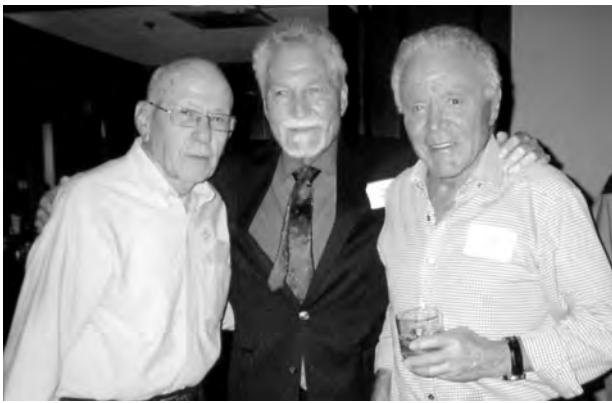
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In honor of our great grandchildren, Dylan, Ryan, and Emma's Birthdays. From Doris & Elliot Hershoff, of Peabody, MA

At last Frayda Rosenblatt has become an Alte Bubbe. Parents Deanna & Corey have blessed Pam & Nelson Rodrigues, making them Meme' & Bumpa. Baby Aliyah has lit up all our lives. Frayda Rosenblatt of Stoughton, MA

Paul Waitz is proud to announce that his granddaughter, Emily Callan graduated, University of Washington and is now teaching in Seattle. His Grandson Matthew Callan is a sophomore at Syracuse and his Granddaughter Caitlin O'Sullivan is a freshman at Cornell. Paul Waitze of Stoughton, MA.

30th Reunion -



June 30, 2019



Many thanks for a wonderful 30th reunion. I am so glad that I was able to attend. The Sheraton Hotel on Route one in Norwood was very convenient for the members to get to. It was thrilling to see so many people there that I had not seen in quite awhile. The music was sensational, the food was hot and delicious, and everyone was excited to be there.
~ Rita (Kaplan) Libman of Delray Beach, FL

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NOTICE FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Members,

I want to apologize for the Newsletter being late, we had some glitches with the computer, but we are up and running again.

I know that members are concerned about the FFA not having more reunions. The reunions were every 5 years, so instead we will have luncheons every other year.

If you notice the newsletter has less and less information, in order for there to be a newsletter we need photos, messages, simcha's and stories. If you are with other members, take a picture and send it to us, we would be glad to put them in the newsletter. They don't need to be from years ago, new or old would be appreciated. Please help to support our newsletter's, it is so gratefully appreciated.

Please send your change of addresses, if you have moved, we don't want you to miss out receiving the newsletter.

The 30th reunion was a big success our members were thrilled to be there. It great to see people we haven't seen in a while. Hopefully you will join us for our next luncheon.

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