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NOTES FROM OUR MEMBERS

Keep up the good work. Love receiving those newsletters.
Ann & Sid Pransky.

Grateful for all the hard work that you guys do, and for the wonderful memories that we all have from a time frame that can never be repeated. Good luck to all, and God bless Basil "Bud" Ente.

We both enjoy getting the newsletter, please continue the great job you're doing!
Steve & Renee (Cramer) Stone Heifetz

There are over 50 things I should do right away, but the most important is to drop you a note and thank you for a great job of bringing part of past to life again. I certainly enjoy the newsletter. Keep up the great work.

Robert Litel Litcofsky

It's always a treat to find a newsletter in the mail. Thanks for all your efforts over the years.

Buddy & Janice Crosby

EDITORIAL

Even though we are getting a good response to our 20th Anniversary Reunion, there are many people we have not heard from yet. If you go back to our very first Reunion in 1988, here were some of the prices that we were dealing with then.

Houses:	\$91,600.00
Cars:	10,400.00
House hold income:	24,400.00
Movies:	3.50
Regular Gas:	.91
Dozen Eggs	.65
Stamps:	.24
FFA REUNION:	45.00

While we cannot control the prices of almost everything, we can offer you a 20-year anniversary brunch for \$49.50 per person. With everything else soaring, we can still enjoy a fantastic brunch, complete with delicious food, drink, music, door prizes and most important - the chance to catch up with old friends, make new friends and spend a fantastic afternoon on September 21. The Board sincerely hopes you will join us for this gala celebration by making your reservations now. You can set up your own tables or leave it to us, but please send in your reservations and checks as soon as possible. Have a GREAT summer!

NEW MEMBERS

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

Joel Weinstein,
Harold Escott,
Ruth Miller,
Judy (Cohen) Davidson,
Elaine Cohen,
Donald & Sheila (Koss) Grossman,
Robert & Sylvia Pann,
Joseph Stone,
Barry & Harriet Charnitsky,
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Bornstein,
Gerard Devlin,
Cynthia (Albert) Bramberg,
Sandra (Sidman) Moffie,
Evelyn (Miller) Stone,

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Bowie, MN.
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Ashland, MA.
Sharon, MA.

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MAZEL TOV TO

Doris & Elliot Hershoff of Peabody, MA. on the wedding of their son Randy Hershoff to Dr. Yiqin (Hannah) Ziang.

Rickee (Fritz) & Harvey Jores of Boynton Beach, FL. on the upcoming graduation from Tufts Dental School of granddaughter Jordana with high honors. As well as the upcoming graduation of granddaughter Eden from high school.

Brian Meltzer, grandson of Marilyn Meltzer of Framingham, MA will graduate Tulane University, New Orleans, LA in May, will enter American Univ. School of Law in Washington, DC. He is the son of Ellen & Neil Meltzer.

Our grandson Nolan Jacques was Bar Mitzvah on March 15, 2008. Chuck & I and the whole family are extremely proud of him. Nolan adored his grandfather. Dottie Rabatsky of Stoughton, MA.

Lois Lefkovich of Chicago, IL announces the marriage of her grandchild Ruchie Bruck to Ari Renov in Chicago. Also the birth of a great grandchild, Zev Vevel Tepper

Sally & Milton Kline of Stoughton, MA. will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on July 4, 2008, also their grandson Matthew Kline will be getting married in September to Rachael Medaris.

Congratulations to Tracy Rebecca Raffelson daughter of Herb Raffelson, who recently graduated from Cinema Makeup School in Los Angeles, California.

IN MEMORY OF

In loving memory of our dear friend Leonard Ralby, a truly unique individual who lived on his own terms. We'll always cherish the times we shared over so many years.

From Buddy & Janice Crosby

In memory of our dear friend Leonard Ralby, of Miami, FL.

From Bill & Beverly Kaunfer

FFA COMING EVENTS

Our 20th Anniversary Reunion scheduled for September 21, 2008 is now accepting reservations. See the flyer in this newsletter.

Florida has again contracted the Signature Grand in Davies, Florida. The Function will be held February 15, 2009. More information to follow, in our next newsletter

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NOTICE FROM THE EDITOR

"PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED"

Hi to all members, I would like to address all members who are planning to move..... we need you to give us your new address, if you enjoy receiving the newsletter we need your current mailing address. Each time we mail out a newsletter, we always get back quite a few that have moved and your name is put in a dead file, so please give us the courtesy of notifying us.

If your address, zip code, telephone number, area code or any personal information has changed since our last newsletter, please let us know so we can update our files.

Your Franklin Field Association welcomes all monetary contributions from its members, regardless of the amount, all contributions are tax deductible.

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CONDOLENCE

Condolences to Barry & Sandy Koltz of FL. on the loss of their son-in-law, Robert Griffing of Stoughton, MA. from Evelyn & Bert Nessen

Condolences to Marion (Titlebaum) Cohen of Boynton Beach, FL. on the loss of her beloved husband George Cohen

Condolences to Marilyn (Locke) Davis of Easton, MA. on the loss of her beloved husband Dr. Saul Davis. from Evelyn & Bert Nessen

We mourn the passing of Elaine Marsh Nitenson, from her brother Saul, sister-in-law Susan, Jim, Michael her grand nieces and nephew and many friends.

Condolences to Sharon Samuels of Needham, MA. on the loss of her beloved mother, Esther Sadow.

Condolences to the family of FFA member Leonard Ralby of Miami, FL.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy 75th birthday on July 28th to a very special man my husband Leo Francer of Delray Beach, FL. with much love, your wife, Adeline.

Happy 75th birthday on September 3rd to Irving Murstein of Weymouth, MA. from good friends Leo & Addie Francer.

Selma & Syd Engler of Norwood, MA. wishing Anne Weiman a happy & healthy 80th birthday.



ROXBURY MEMORIAL'S VETERAN TRIO, left to right, are Sumner Gilfix, who scored the only goal in the game with Trade at the Arena yesterday afternoon, goalie Mel Kramer and Dick Sugarman. They have been on the Memorial hockey squad for three seasons.

"GROWING OLD"

Old age, I decided, is a gift.

I am now, probably for the first time in my life, the person I have always wanted to be. Oh, not my body! I sometime despair over my body, the wrinkles, the baggy eyes, and the sagging butt. And often I am taken aback by that old person that lives in my mirror (who looks like my mother!) but I don't agonize over those things for long.

I would never trade my amazing friends, my wonderful life, my loving family for less gray hair or a flatter belly. As I've aged, I've become more kind to myself, and less critical of myself. I've become my own friend.

I don't chide myself for eating that extra cookie, or for not making my bed, or for buying that silly cement gecko that I didn't need, but looks so avante garde at my pond. I am entitled to a treat, to be messy, to be extravagant.

I have seen too many dear friends leave too soon; before they understood the great freedom that comes with aging.

Whose business is it if I choose to read or play on the computer until 4 AM and sleep until noon?

I will dance with myself to those wonderful tunes of the 50's & 60's and if I, at the same time, wish to weep over a lost love... I will. I will walk the beach in a bathing suit that is stretched over a bulging body, and will dive into the waves with abandon if I choose to, despite the pitying glances from the jet set. They too, will get old. I know I am sometimes forgetful. But there again, some of life is just as well forgotten. And I eventually remember the important things. Sure, over the years my heart has been broken. How can your heart not break when you lose a loved one, or when a child suffers, or even when somebody's beloved pet gets hit by a car? But broken hearts are what gives us strength and understanding and compassion. A heart never broken is pristine and sterile and will never know the joy of being imperfect.

I am so blessed to have lived long enough to have my hair turning gray, and to have my youthful laughs be forever etched into deep grooves on my face. So many have never laughed, and so many have died before their hair could turn silver.

As you get older, it is easier to be positive. You care less about what other people think. I don't question myself anymore. I've even earned the right to be wrong.

So, to answer the question, I like being old. It has set me free. I like the person I have become. I am not going to live forever, but while I am still here, I will not waste time lamenting what could have been, or worrying about what will be.

May your friendship never come apart especially when it's straight from the heart!

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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.



ANNIVERSARIES

50th: Doris & Elliot Hershoff, of Peabody, MA.

Barry & Sheila (Shnider) Titlebaum of Rancho Palos Verdes, CA. They have 2 children and 3 grandchildren.

Raymond & Elaine (Bonder) Block, of Stoughton, MA. will celebrate their 50th anniversary on September 18, 2008. They were married at the Chateau Garod in Brookline, MA.

55th Selma & Syd Engler of Norwood MA. celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary on May 17th & also their new apartment.

60th Syd & Selma Engler wishing Sally & Milt Kline of Stoughton, MA a happy 60th wedding anniversary & also happy 80th to Sally.

DONATIONS

Elliot & Doris Hershoff
Ann & Sid Pransky,
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Robert Litel,
Marilyn Meltzer,
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Adeline Francer,
Bud Ente,
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Sheldon & Renne Heifetz,
Barry & Sheila (Shnider) Titlebaum,
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The Indians
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Boston, MA.

FFA **NEW** CELEBRITY COLUMN

(Members Only)

We will try and bring you our members in every issue of the newsletter, a person who grew up in the Dorchester, Roxbury & Mattapan area, and who's name has become well known. If you know of such a person male or female, please, submit to FFA PO Box 184 Stoughton, MA. 02072.

PRESIDENT MESSAGE

We are happy to see that there are early reservations coming in for the 20th Anniversary reunion for September 21, 2008. We need your support when we run an affair of any kind.

The affairs are being planned for you the membership so all we ask is that you participate, come and enjoy an afternoon, of fine food, music/entertainment and dancing.

The Board of Directors have worked hard and are still working on this affair to make it a success, so my fellow members, do your thing, get your reservations in as early as possible.

Again I reiterate regarding contributions from our members, this is what keeps us going, we have no other way of receiving income, but from you the membership, so we keep asking you, to keep the organization going with a contribution. Our expenses are mainly the newsletter which cost a great deal and we have it out to the members 3 times a year. So don't wait until tomorrow, send a donation today!

NEW GRANDPARENTS

Harvey & Rickee (Fritz) Jores of Boynton Beach, FL. proudly announce the arrival of their second grandson, Jayden, to very happy parents.

Sylvia Megerer of Tamarac, FL. is proud to announce the birth of her 3rd grandchild, a girl, Makenzie Myree to Scott & Bonnie Magerer of Reston, VA.



1938 OUR GANG - WALES STREET
Murray Zuk, Gerry Belsky, George Belsky,
Larry Belsky, The Koney Brothers

▼ **INDIANS REUNION, 1975**

First Row Left to Right: Bob Pransky, Lou Korey, Murray Zuk, Joe Hurwitz, Shep Haskind, Richard Wine, Donald Aronson, Arky Konigsberg

Second Row Left to Right: Ron Slovin, Frank Caplan, Jason Epstein, Chuck Bluestein, Billy Gins

Third Row Left to Right: Arnie Hirsch, Teddy Goldstein, Steve Rodman, Steve Bortman, George Spector, Earl Wilensky

Back Row Left to Right: Joe Cohen, Yosy Shatz, Sonny Hirsch, Don Rodman



▼ **INDIANS FOOTBALL TEAM, FRANKLIN FIELD, 1945**

Front Row Left to Right: Bob Pransky, Lou Korey, Lewis Morris, Chuck Bluestein, Murray Zuk, Shep Raskind, Donald Aronson, Larry Miller, Richard Wine, Arky Konigsberg. **Second Row Left to Right:** Ronny Slovin, Stan Ross, Joe Hurwitz, Jason Epstein, Wilbur Slarve, Billy Gins, Steve Rodman, Joe Cohen, Yossie Shatz, Earl Wilensky, Paul Motel. **Third Row Left to Right:** Bobby Cooper, Don Rodman, George Spector



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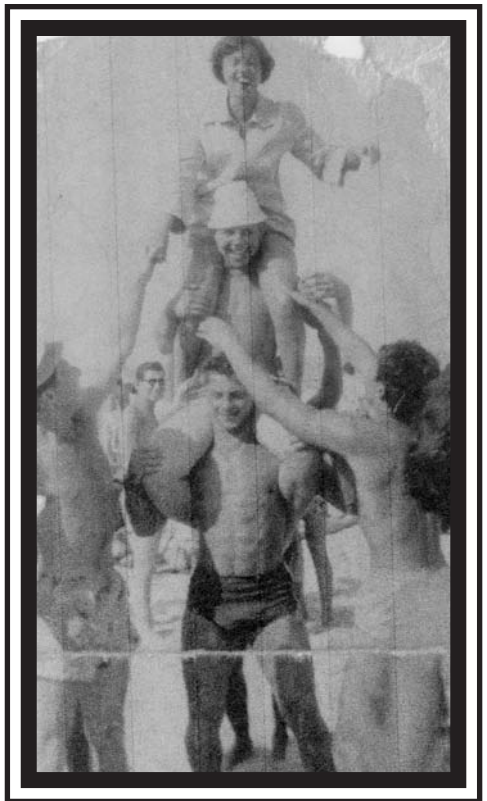

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