

# MHS 1964 Class Notes

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PLEASE continue to send your news to [classnotes@miltonhighclassof1964.com](mailto:classnotes@miltonhighclassof1964.com) for future publication so we can all can stay in touch with each other. **The more news the better!**

And thanks for all the pictures - we'll try to find a way to incorporate more in future issues.

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**Leslie (Brittan) Kramer** wrote in July from Canton, MA, "So excited about this Class Notes page. Great to read about my classmates and what they are doing. Richard and I are leaving for Curacao on Saturday (July 4) for a little R&R."

**Dennis "Moose" Brogna** writes from Murrells Inlet, SC, "Just to pass along some information. This past summer I had a left total hip replacement and on October 19th I will be having a total knee replacement on my right knee. Hopefully this is it on replacements. Soon I'll be a bionic athletic trainer. I'm taking this year off in hopes of getting somewhat in shape, and maybe next season returning to ice hockey."

**David Buckman** writes from Plymouth, MA, "Frimma and I celebrated our 44th anniversary by taking our trusty 1952 Buick woodie to Maine for a 4-day weekend. We stayed in Ogunquit for 2 days, and then pushed north to Wiscasset where we met up with **Paul** and Janet **Cappers** at Red's Eats, home of the best Lobster Rolls in all of Maine. We stayed at their home on Westport Island, taking in a power boat ride up the Back River and down the Sheepscot River. After a tasty dinner, we spent the evening playing our guitars and singing folk music. The next day we canoed while they kayaked.



**Jim Coaker** writes from Fairfax Station, VA, "In July **Ron** and Christie **Enholm**, **Paul Foster**, and my wife Ruth and I met in Los Angeles for dinner. First time group had been together since 1964 . . . many moons; enjoyable evening, and the best of good fellowship."

**Carla (Colombo) Johnson** writes, "Well, since last year and before our 50th High School Reunion, old girlfriends got together for lunch in June of 2014. **Pamela (Cook) Ward**, **Bonnie (Bellew) Vaughan**, **Rosemarie (Farrington) Franzie** and myself have been reconnecting and seeing each other and having a blast. We have been sharing all our memories and moving forward with new ones.

Last night we all got together at Pamela Cook Ward's home for dinner for our last visit here in Massachusetts before my husband and I return to Sarasota, Florida, for the winter. Pamela, lost her husband Richie last year and has been seeing Willie Farrington, Class of 1962, and she became engaged to him a few days ago. Rosie, Bonnie and I were so happy for them both; plans for their wedding will be coming and we can't wait to celebrate with them.

So the years have gone by but our friendships endure and we continue to reconnect . . . how wonderful. Hope you are all doing well."

**Diane (Gilbert) Schlanger** writes from Oakland Gardens, NY, "In July, I did meet up with **Arlene (Pearlstein) Haasis** in Los Angeles. While staying with her for a few days, we did some off-the-beat sightseeing, going to local art exhibits, old bookstores, and just catching up on our lives. In August, for the first time, I did some *plein air* painting on Monhegan Island in Maine for a week, which was a lot of fun. On Friday this week, I'm meeting up with **Samra (Atran) Wallach** here in NYC at the new Whitney Museum overlooking the Hudson River. My next grandson is due in a few weeks. So there is plenty to look forward to this fall. Wishing happy holidays to all!"

**Susan Hackley** wrote in July from Boston, MA, "The reunion was wonderful, and I'm glad we have this way to stay in touch. [Husband] Paul and I are headed to Alaska for a few days to see my son, an Alaska State Trooper and a pilot, and to enjoy my daughter's little boy's baptism in a wilderness creek. We will camp a few days in Denali National Park and visit friends from the days when I lived in Alaska. Here at home, I keep busy working at Harvard Law School and in my spare time producing a documentary film project, "A Child's Guide to War" ([www.achildsguidetowar.com](http://www.achildsguidetowar.com)). My motivation is to help bridge the civilian-military divide in this country, something we all experienced firsthand during the days of the Vietnam War. I look forward to getting together with MHS friends sometime soon!"

**Moshe Ber Katz** (Mel Katz ) writes, "We live in Safed, Israel which is in northern Israel close to Syria and Lebanon, which we can see on a clear day. Thank G-d when we hear the jets overhead they are ours. The land of Israel has four holy cities--Jerusalem, Hebron, Tiberius and Safed, corresponding to the four elements fire, earth, water, and air. We are on the migratory route of birds from Africa to Asia. The hiking paths and flowers in the spring are awesome. I speak a broken Hebrew, the national language, and we are living here now 23 years. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of my Jewish classmates a Happy & sweet New Year and to wish all classmates good health. Now that you've educated me as to what a bucket list is, I hope you fulfill your desires. Peace שלום"

**Lois (Kullen) Alsop** had a chance to return to New England this summer from her home in Santa Fe, NM, to visit her sister on Cape Cod and her brother in Milton ("he still lives in my parents' house"). She and her husband, Ian, continue to focus on their Halchok Relief Project in Nepal, helping the villagers of Halchok rebuild their village which was largely destroyed by last April's earthquake. Lois and Ian plan to return to Kathmandu in mid-October after the monsoon season to meet with builders, architects and villagers on next steps. The last on-line update of their efforts can be found at <http://asianart.com/articles/earthquake/halchok/update.html>.

**Janice (Lennon) McFadden** writes from Hull, MA, "Recently my fiance Jerry Manning ('62) and I had a great mini-gathering of MHS 1964 friends: **Cynthia (Lien)** and **Brad Burgess, Janet (Larson)** and Bill Mullen ('62), **Bob McCusker, Cheryl Farrington** and Jean Ellis. We try to do this a couple of times a year. We kept it casual with burgers on the grill. We've all come to realize that it's the getting together more than the "food" that is important! After a few cocktails and dinner we walked to the Paragon Park Carousel [at Nantasket Beach]. Talk about memories and laughs! The weather was a bit foggy so we had the whole carousel to ourselves! The attendant enjoyed us being there and gave us an extra long ride! We kept the party going until the next day with Cynthia, Brad and Bob all spending the night. Parting was such sweet sorrow! It's great to see old friends and laugh like we were kids again!"

**Janice (Marad) Blake** wrote, "**John (Blake)** and I are doing well on the West Coast. Love being near our granddaughters . . . and daughters. Have ended up renting a little house just down the street from Lauren, Alex, and the girls. A new adventure every day. And of course the weather is gorgeous and there's plenty to keep us busy. We recently got back in Milton (well, Canton, actually) to catch up with family/friends and attend a wedding."

**William Nugent** writes from Livingston, TX, "The long lost Bill Nugent is alive and well and on the road. My wife Saralee and I have been full-time RVers since retirement in 2010. I never thought I would spend my senior years driving a huge bus with a car attached. But it is fun. Our son Chris and his family live in Vancouver, Washington, and our Daughter Teresa and her fiancé live outside Houston, Texas. So we basically commute between the Northwest and Texas, volunteering at various state parks and charity organizations along the way. We are currently hosts at the Coast Artillery Museum at Fort Worden State Park in Port Townsend, Washington, at the tip of the Olympic Peninsula. For you movie buffs, this is the location where "An Officer and a Gentleman" was filmed. Check out [www.fortworden.org](http://www.fortworden.org). We will be here until the end of October and then we head to Texas to visit our daughter, former neighbors and church friends and get our health check-ups. In January 2016 we will be hosts at the LBJ Ranch outside Austin, staying until the end of March. After that we may head northeast for a change and see some of the things we have missed in this beautiful country of ours. Perhaps we will see you on the road! Blessings Y'all!"

**David Pierce** writes from Montverde, FL, "My wife Olena and I are booked on a 19-night cruise from Venice, Italy, to Fort Lauderdale in November. The cruise includes some interesting ports of call, including Dubrovnik, Croatia, Salerno, Italy (for Pompeii), Civitavecchia, Italy (for Rome), Florence, Italy (for Siena), Toulon, France (for Provence), Barcelona, Spain, and Azores. This will be the sixth Atlantic crossing for us . . . just wish we had some MHS alumni joining us."

**Bob Powers** writes from Hyannis Port, MA, "In August I completed my 11th Pan Massachusetts Challenge <http://www2.pmc.org/profile/RP0086>), joining more than 6,000 other bicyclists to raise \$45 million this year alone for cancer research and treatment at Dana-Farber. This year I took it easy, riding only the first day from Wellesley to Bourne--just 84 miles. This summer I also met up for a wonderful lunch with **Ellen (Walsh) Murphy** who had just returned from five years teaching overseas in Italy and is now in Korea starting her next teaching assignment. Ellen has been teaching overseas for almost 30 years and has certainly managed to see the world!"

**Susan Rotman Hoving** writes from Henderson, NV, that she and husband Bob "had a great visit with **Barbara (Solomon)** and Jerry Hamelburg. Showed them a side of Vegas that visitors seldom see."

**June Wilson Mather** writes from Concord, NH, "This summer I started my "bucket list" by taking my dream vacation to the Banff area. The Canadian Rockies saw me rafting, swimming, 'gondoling', hiking, exploring the Columbia Icefield, taking photos of stunning scenery and eating my way through Banff, Jasper and Yoho national parks. The Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel and the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise did not disappoint."

**Donna (Winer) Foster** sends a reminder from Canandaigua, NY, "We have had a Milton High reunion in South Florida for the past 3 years. If you are in the South Florida area between December 15 and March 15, we would love to have you join us. Please contact me at [donna60@hotmail.com](mailto:donna60@hotmail.com) if you are interested."

**David Wluka** writes from Sharon, MA, that my wife "**Nancy (Berger)** and I belong to the Lonsman, the Boston Chapter of the International Jewish Motorcyclists Alliance. There are about 40 of us from the greater Boston area including some current Miltonites. In July the club took a ride up to Lake George, New York, and drove through the entire lakes region up there for several days. A little rain at first but otherwise a great time!"

