

# MHS 1964 Class Notes

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**Cheryl Farrington** provides this update on the planned 70th Birthday Bash for the Class of '64, "We're expecting about 40 classmates and a few guests for the birthday bash which will be held at The Common Market in Quincy on Monday, July 25th. We can't wait to see so many classmates again at this birthday celebration!" Space remaining is extremely limited, but if you'd like to come and have not yet signed up, please contact Cheryl at [c\\_farrington@verizon.net](mailto:c_farrington@verizon.net) to see if she can still squeeze you in. A list of classmates planning to attend will be posted shortly on the class web site at <http://miltonhighclassof1964.com>.

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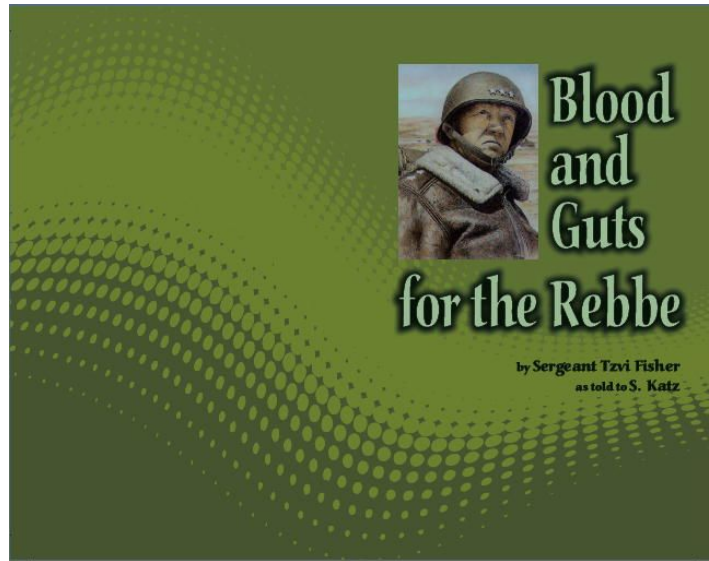
**Bob Allan** writes from Skaneateles, NY, "My thanks to those who are organizing the birthday party. What a great idea and fun way to celebrate a milestone for all of us. I live a little too far away and doubt that I can get there though. I've been pulled into the 21st century! Finally getting rid of juno - my new e-mail address is [robert@allanlawoffice.com](mailto:robert@allanlawoffice.com)."

**Leslie (Brittan) Kramer** wrote from Canton, MA, "I had a 70th birthday adventure— I went to Havana Cuba for 8 days. Fascinating and challenging.....especial the bathrooms. The artwork was incredible, the people were so nice and the food was "interesting." The people of Cuba are so excited and very much looking forward to the lifting of the Embargo. They are on the edge and very much want to join the rest of the world. We went to a cigar factory and a rum factory. One night we went to a Modern Dance performance.....It was amazing."

**Dennis Brogna** writes from South Carolina, "I've decided to retire from professional sports as an athletic trainer. I have a hockey conference in Nashville, the end of the month and that's when I will retire. I'm not going to retire completely, in case I decide to work summer camps. I'm a member of the Myrtle Beach Citizen's Police alumni and have been volunteering my time with them. Also I'm a volunteer with the Murrells Inlet Garden City fire department. I've been doing this for 25 years, during my off season from professional sports.

I'm taking my wife (Karen) on a 10 day Royal Caribbean cruise this September, to (Larabee) Haiti, (Falmouth) Jamaica, and Mexico. It should be a nice trip, although I've never been on a ship with 6,100 people. Someday hopefully soon I'd like to go to Tahiti."

**Moshe Ber Katz** (Mel Katz ) writes from Poland that the book he has published (*BLOOD AND GUTS FOR THE REBBE* by Sergeant Tavi Fisher as told to S. Katz) has been sent to print - just needs an introduction and final editing. A pdf copy of the book is available by email to any classmate who wishes to read it - simply email Bob Powers at [robertwpowers@gmail.com](mailto:robertwpowers@gmail.com) and he will send it out to you. "Sergeant Harry Fisher was one of the first US servicemen to witness the horrors of the concentration camps, helping to liberate the Orndoff concentration camp. After helping free Europe of Nazi occupation, he translated his wartime experiences into an intriguing philosophy of life, as he embarked on a journey in search for the truth. Experience the captivating odyssey of his voyage across war-torn Europe with General George Patton, and later through both coasts of the USA, on to Venice and eventually to the holy land of Israel. The short biography follows his life until his passing at age 96 in Israel - an inspiring true story!"



**Peggy Lamb** writes from North Easton, MA, "I am leaving my position as a counselor at Fontbonne Academy in Milton after 22 years, but FBA will always be a major part of my life. I'm not actually retiring - this just will give me more time to care for my folks in their mid-90's. I would not be leaving otherwise - have LOVED my job and FBA! I hope now to be doing more writing for the newspaper and will be working part time as a college planning consultant and have plans to continue travelling."

**Judi Lanky** writes from Chicago, "I celebrated the 34(!) anniversary of my business, Lansky Career Consultants. The company assists clients in defining or redefining career directions and coaches them about how to get hired for the job they want. I have lived and worked in downtown Chicago since the early 70's."

**Nancy Leisher** wrote from The Villages, FL, "I went to Germany a few weeks ago to watch my granddaughter, Kathleen Young, play field hockey. Kathleen plays field hockey for Harvard and is on the Under 19 National Team. My daughter, Lisa, and I toured the Rhine and beautiful countryside of Germany between games! Three generations were together only 30 minutes away from the town where my Mother was born. We had a wonderful trip!"



*Nancy's granddaughter, Kathleen Young*

**David Pierce** sent in this interesting note from Montverde, FL, "I just returned yesterday from a 7 night cruise to Cuba. It was an agent FAM Trip to help sell the itinerary to Havana and Santiago. It was a very interesting visit to see so many historical sites. The cruises on the MS Adonia are intended to be a "People to People" experience, and we did get to visit a number of folks. Country still has many impoverished areas. It was obviously very warm the first week of June. Amazing number of classic cars...not sure how they have kept them running all these years. I am attaching a photo (below) of me at Revolution Square in Havana where the Pope conducted a service."



**Bob Powers** writes from Cape Cod, "Sandy and I spent time this past winter in Anguilla, BWI. We've been visiting Anguilla annually since 1998 - anyone looking to vacation in the Caribbean on an island that offers the world's finest beaches, great food and friendly people should check out Anguilla, "*Tranquility Wrapped in Blue*". I work part-time as a volunteer for the Anguilla Hotel and Tourism Association, so please feel free to contact me for travel suggestions if interested in visiting Anguilla. This coming August I plan to ride again in the Pan-Mass Challenge (<http://profile.pmc.org/RP0086>), cycling 192 miles from Sturbridge to Provincetown over two days to raise money for the fight to find a cure for cancer. Not sure how much longer I'll be able to do this ride, but the fight against cancer is so personally important that I'll try to keep riding as long as I can."

**David Wluka** writes from Sharon, MA, "**Nancy (Berger)** & I are leaving in a few weeks for a Bas Mitzvah in Menlo Park, California. Our cousins from Melbourne, Australia are coming in, after which we are all going to Alaska on a land/cruise tour. Really looking forward to it.

Earlier this May I gave a lecture at Boston University on our ongoing project in Poland ([www.nowydowrjewishmemorial.org](http://www.nowydowrjewishmemorial.org)) to students in the social studies department. It was gratifying to hear them appreciate an on the ground description of a Holocaust-related story as opposed to reading it in textbooks. Most interesting, a Mauri student from New Zealand shared the story of oppression of her people even into the 1960's."

### **In Memoriam**

*Thankfully, we know of no classmates who have passed away since our Class Notes.*