



1955 AUSTIN HIGH REUNION

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HAPPY NEW YEAR! We hope the holidays were pleasant and peaceful and that this finds you in good health.

2007 CRUISE NEWS:

22 people will be going on the January 22-February 1 cruise to the Southern Caribbean and the Panama Canal. They are: Barb and Tom Baker, Paulette and Harry Kappos, Maureen and Charles Larson, James and Penny Lupo, Chuck and Peggy Meyer, Gertrude Larson and Hertha Prager, Nancy and Mike Pasquerelli, Joyce and Ken Rosko, Virginia Luisi and Genny Schroeder, Anne and Bob Schulman, and Wanda and John Smith. For itinerary details, see www.hollandamerica.com. There may still be time to book a cabin. **CALL HERTHA PRAGER AT 847-519-4786 or 800-882-0499 (Outside IL).** Some of the cruise group will be at the Ramada Inn Airport/Cruise Port, 2275 SR 84, Fort Lauderdale on January 21st. Anyone in the Fort Lauderdale area who would like to join in an informal gathering that evening is welcome. The hotel phone number is 954-584-4000.

SPECIAL NOTE: PASSPORTS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL TO CANADA, MEXICO AND THE CARIBBEAN AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2006. BE SURE YOU HAVE ONE AND IT HAS NOT EXPIRED. ALSO, CHECK THE LATEST RULES RE: AIRPLANE CARRYON ITEMS at <http://www.tsa.gov/>

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!

Many thanks to the following 33 classmates who made donations to help defray the cost of mailings: Paul Abramchik, Marvin Anderson, Jackie Catalano Ballard, Frank Donohoe, Art Fumarolo, Sandra Gnippe, Neal Guenther, Donald Gurney, Millie Handy O'Brien, Donna Mayfield Harder, Barbara Jarm Baker, Suzanne Johnson Peterson, Louis Kaufman, Marilyn Klein Lawrence, Charles Larsen, James Lupo, Irwin Magad, Lawrence Manelis, Peggy Miller, Robert Mintz, Patricia Murray, Wanda Myers Smith, Geraldine Erdmann O'Rourke, Myra Polifka Dickens, Robert Shulman, George Skudrna, Sandra Stackpole Kirchoff, Jim and Mary Ann Vail, Ben Weinberg, William Wire, Carol Ann Wolf, Richard Wolnik, Anthony Zomparelli.

If your name is not here, we'd love to put it in the next newsletter. A donation of \$5 per year will be appreciated. Please send your donation to Ken Rosko at the address on page 3. Thanks in advance for your help.

FOR SALE:

We still have LOTS of leftover Memory Books from the 50th reunion. They are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Contact Ken Rosko if you would like one or more.

AUSTIN MEMORABILIA:

If you wish to bequeath your Austin memorabilia to the Class of 1955 Archives, please leave a note for your heirs to contact the Austin 1955 Reunion Committee at 847-623-5800 or email reunion@austin1955.org to arrange for pickup or delivery. Rather than tossing the stuff in the dumpster, let's keep it for future generations.

MISSING PERSONS:

Please tell us if you know the whereabouts of any of these classmates:

JOAN ANTHONY STANLEY HORN DORIS KOCH JOHN KENNELLY ANDREA LAYTON
DOROTHY & VIOLET PAPADOGIANIS ROCHELLE WALL PATRICIA MONTGOMERY
RUTH MANASTER NANCY RICE BERYL SHAPIRO ANTHONY SIRAGUSA DIANE WIGHT

MOVES AND TRAVELS:

Joyce and Ken Rosko have moved into their new home in Lake Forest. They advise us to “Start cleaning out - NOW! Stuff seems to multiply in the van on its way to the new home. ‘Sure don't remember having this much stuff in the old place.’”

Genny Luisi Schroeder recently returned from a 24-day European tour. She says the highlight was Monaco and Monte Carlo (not because of the gambling, but for the spectacular views).

Nancy and Mike Pasquerelli visited Arizona and New Mexico on a Photography expedition. They are both handy with a camera.

Jim Padar rode a camel in Morocco and had dinner at Rick's in Casablanca. Yes, there is a Rick's in Casablanca! Check our website www.austin1955.org for Padar and Pasquerelli photos.

Chuck and Peggy Meyer had dinner in Rome with Mike and Liliana McGuire. Mike loaned Chuck a book that he recently received from Lowell Streiker - written by Lowell (Class of '56). The name is *The Old Neighborhood: Memories of a Chicago Childhood - 1942 to 1952*. Lowell lived near Springfield and Huron, so the book contains discussions of many local attractions such as the Alamo Theater.

Shel Marcus attended a B'nai Brith International conference in New Orleans in his new capacity as president of B'nai Brith International, Midwest Region. Seeing the devastation of the homes and neighborhoods, and the actual breach of the 17th Street levee, was an awesome experience. He visited a synagogue which was totally destroyed by over 12 ft of water. Standing in a House of Worship totally gone with broken walls and pews and wires hanging all over, he thought of his friends in Chicago and wondered how we would feel if our own synagogue or church were destroyed. It really brought home how much we take for granted and how blessed we all are.

SHARE A MEMORY:

Nancy [Voegtle] Reed found a website that describes almost every old theater and movie-house in the US - date built, architect, size, historical information, and even some photos. The website has information about the old downtown palaces - United Artists, Woods, Chicago, Oriental, State-Lake, Clark, the Goodman and the Rialto! They are soliciting anecdotes and photos about the theaters. <http://cinematreasures.org/theater/4059/> will take you directly to the Manor Theater (North at Central).

STAY CURRENT, LOG ON:

Log in often to www.austin1955.org to keep abreast of what's going on. The site includes a graduate list, reunion photos, old school photos, class relevant articles and the latest newsletter. **NEW PHOTOS HAVE BEEN POSTED.** NOTE: This and future newsletters will be emailed to everyone who has email. Others will receive hard copy.

KEEP WARM! KEEP IN TOUCH!

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