

**"WISE OLD OWL'S"**  
**Official Newsletter of Lynbrook High School Classes of 1948 to 1959**  
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"Hi" to all my classmates & alumni of LHS, I hope this finds you all well and happy. This is the one hundred & twentythird edition of our class (LHS'52) and the twentieth since we invited graduates from the years 1948 to 1959 to join us in keeping in touch with our alumni. Send us the birth and anniversary date of you and your spouse if you wish to be included in our monthly "Notable Dates" section. Please send in some news to share with your alumni !!! How is your job going? Have you scheduled a vacation? How was your last vacation? Any operations scheduled? Have you relocated? How do you like your new home? Are you in an assisted living home? Would you recommend it? Here is a format to tell us all about your life. A lot of us are interested in knowing how your life is going so submit some information to share. I'll repeat.. As Lew Ross (LHS'52) wrote..."I think it would be nice to hear what our classmates are up to and that they still remain on the right side of the grass." Let us hear from you! The class of '52 published a class directory which was distributed during our 50th reunion held in Port Jefferson, NY in Sept. 2002. The directory included spouses name, children's and grandchildren's names, address, telephone & email number, and a brief history of our lives since graduation. We invite our alumni to send in some information about their lives since graduation, are you married? how many children & grand children? where do you live now? would you like to submit a brief history about your life since graduation? The Newsletter is distributed by email once a month. All news received is "cut & pasted" into an email format for distribution. If you do not have email capabilities give me the email address of a family member or friend that would receive it for you & I'll send it there. We had decided not to include jokes (although several of us have our own distribution list for jokes). Any thing sent to me is included in the Newsletter unless you advise me not to include something. Please include your email address and year of graduation (LHS'52) etc. with your submittals. Several of our alumni have suggested that we include the town we live in so that we could see if any of our alumni live near us. I have this information for the class of '52 and will start adding this information. If others will let me know where they live I will add that also. I think this was a great idea and thank all that suggested it. So that's it! We welcome our alumni aboard and ask that they notify their classmates of

our existence and request for news.

**Editing News Submittals:** This newsletter is meant as a place you can reminisce about our high school days, to stay in touch with your alumni and to find out how their lives are going. Please do not send in political or religious notes nor other inflammatory statements, they will be edited out at the sole discretion of the editor. Thanks for understanding.

**May Notable Dates**

May Birth dates.....	Joe Cotie .....	May 2
	Ed (Duke) Delattre.....	May 4
	Nancy (McNeill) Focardi.....	May 13
	Robert Graulich.....	May 15
	Walter Ebmeyer .....	May 17
	Evelyn (Frischia) Weisinger .....	May 23
May Anniversaries .....	Thersa (DeRuvo) & husband Jack Weston.....	May 15
	John Limpitlaw & wife Susan .....	May 21
	Anita (Petersen) & husband Richie Miskovsky .....	May 22
	Paul Coyne & wife Jane (Fleming) .....	May 30
	Ed (Duke) Delattre .....	May ?

**May News Articles & Recent Letters to the Editor**

**Misc LHS Alumni**

**email: Yahoo.com email addresses**

**(3/30/19)**

The following emails were received from Yahoo.com. I attempted to send these addresses notes w/o the WOO to see if yahoo would accept an email w/o WOO. They also bounced back.

----- Original Message -----

From: "[MAILER-DAEMON@yahoo.com](mailto:MAILER-DAEMON@yahoo.com)" <[MAILER-DAEMON@yahoo.com](mailto:MAILER-DAEMON@yahoo.com)>  
To: "[jmball10805@msn.com](mailto:jmball10805@msn.com)" <[jmball10805@msn.com](mailto:jmball10805@msn.com)>  
Sent: 3/29/2019 2:02:53 PM  
Subject: Delivery failure

Message from yahoo.com.

Unable to deliver message to the following address(es).

<[alicejw2@yahoo.com](mailto:alicejw2@yahoo.com)>: Alice Warren LHS'59

Sorry, your message to [alicejw2@yahoo.com](mailto:alicejw2@yahoo.com) cannot be delivered. This mailbox is disabled (554.30).

<[coachlightann@yahoo.com](mailto:coachlightann@yahoo.com)>: LHS Alumni name/date unknown

Sorry, your message to [coachlightann@yahoo.com](mailto:coachlightann@yahoo.com) cannot be delivered. This mailbox is disabled (554.30).

<[louis85331@yahoo.com](mailto:louis85331@yahoo.com)>: Louis Lantz LHS'58

Sorry, your message to [louis85331@yahoo.com](mailto:louis85331@yahoo.com) cannot be delivered. This mailbox is disabled (554.30).

<[mikekmann@yahoo.com](mailto:mikekmann@yahoo.com)>: Bob Landman LHS'50

Sorry, your message to [mikekmann@yahoo.com](mailto:mikekmann@yahoo.com) cannot be delivered. This mailbox is disabled (554.30).

<[rolffnoll@yahoo.com](mailto:rolffnoll@yahoo.com)>: Rolff Noll LHS'50

Sorry, your message to [rolffnoll@yahoo.com](mailto:rolffnoll@yahoo.com) cannot be delivered. This mailbox is disabled (554.30).

<[scbells@yahoo.com](mailto:scbells@yahoo.com)>: Robert Bell LHS'59

This user doesn't have a yahoo.com account ([scbells@yahoo.com](mailto:scbells@yahoo.com)) [-9]

--- Original message follows.

The original message is over 5K (the WOO). Message truncated.

So, if anyone is in contact with these LHS grads please tell them I have lost contact with them and to please contact me.

Thanks..... Jim Ball

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**Husband David Reifsnyder deceased 2017**

(3/30/19)

Subject: Jerry Morrissey

Dear Jim,

After many wonderful years in Florida with his beloved wife, Dorothy, my sweet brother, Jerry Morrissey, died in November of 2018. His ten children surrounded him with love in his last week. I lost my husband in late 2017, but have been supported by great friends and my three children, who all live in Florida. Two of my happy surprises during the past year were visits with Paul Kampe and Jonathan Greenfield and their delightful wives.

Both visits brought such happy memories. And I've had occasional phone chats with Lew McCurdy. Such a nice guy. I'm hoping we can get a Florida reunion of the class of 1959 organized. There seem to be many of us here in Florida. I'm in Lakeland, one half hour from Orlando and Tampa. I'm right in the center of the state. I'd love to hear from other Floridians from my class.

Just so you know, I do lead a full and happy life, playing tennis three times a week, and bridge often. But I'd still love to see old friends, those in Florida and beyond! Thanks for all you do to help us stay in touch!

Kind regards,

Nelida Morrissey Weber Reifsnyder

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**Don Roth (LHS'58)**

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**(3/20/19)**

The residents have spoken, the ballots were cast, the count is now final.....the incumbent Mayor Alan Beach each received 3330 votes while the challenger Deputy Mayor Hillary Becker received 974 votes. The incumbent Mayor Alan Beach remains the Village of Lynbrook Mayor for another term. Thankfully this mess is all over and hopefully the signs on 75% of residents lawns will now be taken down. Long live Lynbrook. One of the campaign promises was "I will lower your taxes". I guess if mine are lowered only \$1 that means Mayor Beach lived up to his promise. Time will tell as this all starts to settle down.

**Don Roth 1958**

**(3/29/19)**

The telephone has been ringing off the hook but that's a good sign. It tells me that the WOO readers still have excellent memories. Why you may ask has the telephone been ringing and these are not ROBO calls? It seems Don Roth, yours truly, made a mistake when referring to the JEFFERSON DINER as being on Merrick Road in Valley Stream Those with better memories all reminded me that it was located in Lynbrook where Rupp Chevrolet later became located. Both are now gone and in their place is a small mall called Phillips Plaza. Thanks to those who sent me emails and made telephone calls. Good to know you all read my "stuff" in the WOO.

**Don Roth 1958**

**(4/12/19)**

Senior varsity basketball player RYLAN BLONDO was voted as the Player of the Year for Nassau County Conference

A-B-C. This award is named the HANK WILLIAMS AWARD after the former player and later head coach at Malverne High School.

Rylan was also selected to the All Long Island Second Team. Rylan is considering attending Farmingdale State College next September but has not yet made any commitments.

When asked by a Newsday reporter how he got the name Rylan he replied that his Mother was a huge Nolan Ryan fan (Major League baseball pitcher) and she just switched a few letters around to come up with the name RYLAN.

**Don Roth 1958**

**(4/12/19)**

The hammer has fallen. At the last Lynbrook Village Board meeting the recently re-elected Mayor, Alan Beach, removed his challenger, Hillary Becker, from his position of Deputy Mayor and replaced Hillary with another "party" trustee Michael Hawxhurst. Hillary will continue as a Trustee and will complete his current term in office. Hillary commented that Michael "is a qualified person and I look forward to working with him". Hillary lost the election 3330-974 votes. The tension exists and it's not over yet folks.

Don Roth 1958

**Carole (Dudley) (LHS'56) Ellis**

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(3/27/19)

Please remove Carole Dudley Ellis from your distribution list. Thank you, Jim, for all you do over the years.

(3/27/19 editors note: TCO)

**Richard Jagel (LHS'57) & wife Martha**

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WOO is great! I am now one year cancer free and happy to be this side of the grass. Beat the cold by going on an 11 night Caribbean cruise. Life is good.

Please send a copy of WOO to my sister Betty Jagel Lecuit at

[Boopy496@gmail.com](mailto:Boopy496@gmail.com) Thankx

**Betty (Jagel) Lecuit (LHS'56)**

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(3/30/19)

(editors note:

Hi Betty; Your brother Richard sent me your new email address so that I could add you back into the WOO distribution list, welcome back. Jim Ball )

**Denis Ort (LHS'56)**

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(3/27/19)

The Jefferson Diner was on Sunrise Hwy. It closed down in the early 50's for 2 reasons.....The owner Sol (my cousin) was getting up in years, and wanted to retire. Also Rupp Chevrolet made him an offer for the property that he didn't refuse.

**Jim Ball (LHS'52) & wife Marja**

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Hi All;

We hope you all have had a great holiday and have stayed healthy. We received some great news this month, my grandson James Landers and his wife Sarah will have my first great grand child in early November. We so look forward to the arrival of a healthy handsome young man or a gorgeous young lady which I'm sure it will be with it's good looking Mom & Dad.

You all take care, stay healthy & happy.

Send in some notes so I can keep the WOO going!!!

### **Trouble receiving WOO? Here's good news!**

My daughter Patti is still working to come up with a method to ensure that all that want WOO can receive it. She just set up a web site, [www.candothat.com/woo.html](http://www.candothat.com/woo.html) if you click on this web site then on "WOO Jan. 2018 "etc. you will open WOO in pdf format and you can print it out on your computer. A couple of our alumni have already been able to use this system. Patti will add each WOO as I complete it so there will be a WOO Jan. 2018, etc. We hope this works for everyone having a problem opening WOO. Patti has already added all of the 2017 & 2018 WOOs to this site, so if you missed any you can get them there.

### **Help Locate Missing Alumni !!!**

While we have reconnected with 40 to 90 classmates from several LHS classes, some classes are lacking in representation in the newsletter. The numbers contacted to date are: LHS'48, 10; LHS'49, 17; LHS'50, 20; LHS'51, 46; LHS'52, 42; LHS'53, 42; LHS'54, 24; LHS'55, 55; LHS'56, 38; LHS'57, 73; LHS'58, 89; LHS'59, 108. If anyone knows if any of these classes have had reunions & who the contacts were, let me know and I will contact them and attempt to obtain addresses for others., Here are the numbers from misc. years that have requested they be added to the distribution list for WOO: LHS'45, 3; LHS'46, 3; LHS'47, 5; LHS'60, 5; LHS'62, 3; LHS'64, 2; LHS'66, 1; LHS'68, 1; LHS'74, 1; LHS?, 8. Total distribution now 598.

### **In Conclusion**

So long for now, send us news about your life to be included in the next issue. If you are in contact with any classmates or LHS alumni (LHS'48-'59) with email addresses which I don't have let me know and I'll add them to the distribution list. Thanks to everyone that submitted news articles and to all that sent suggestions concerning this publication. If you change email addresses or servers please let me know so we can keep in touch with you.

**Please send some news so we can keep in touch.**