

NORTH & SOUTH Hagerstown High Schools Class of 1957 Online Newsletter



# April 2009 Edition

## **OBITUARIES**

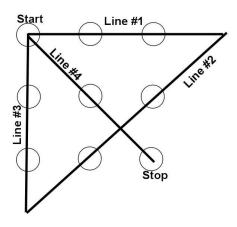
#### **None Reported**

**GET WELL WISHES** 

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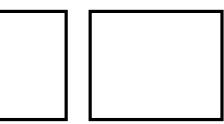
SOLUTION TO MARCH'S PUZZLE OF THE MONTH

Connect all 9 dots with 4 straight lines <u>AND</u>, do not take your pencil off the paper. Every change of direction constitutes one line. (Editor's comment: "Think outside the box."



**APRIL'S PUZZLE** 

Move one line and make 3 squares





#### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

<u> Ann Corderman – 4/11</u>

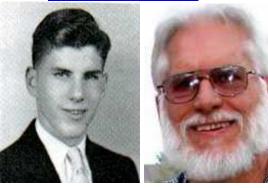


John Newton - 4/20

Ronnie Butts - 4/15



Gail Sweeney - 4/21







## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

# Pete & Linda Baker Lemen - 4/13 - 48th



#### **CLASSMATE ACTIVITIES**

#### March Classmate Luncheon

51 folks attended the March Class Luncheon and a good time was had by all (especially during the lingerie show). The Reunion Committee announced that letters for the <u>70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash</u> will go out early in April. The luncheon team also announced we will be having another picnic in June at the same place, same time and with the same caterer as last year. We will be emailing details and costs to you as soon as everything is finalized. It was recommended that we solicit donations of prepackaged foodstuffs at all future luncheons/picnics for the local food bank. (Editor's Comment: I know you are old but try to remember.)

#### Serving Their Country



At left, our nephew Matt Hoffman, Patsy Cianelli's (HHS Class of '55) son, a graduate of the Air Force Academy and F-16 pilot. Matt spent 2008 in Iraq and is back home safely and stationed in Atlanta until June. At right, and third from the left, is our grand nephew, Michael Cianelli, (Tony Cianelli's grandson). Mike will graduate from the Naval Academy next month and is headed to Pensacola for flight school.

#### Phil Braden – Ski Trip to Telluride, CO

The only drawback to Telluride is access to sparsely settled SW Colorado. The more prudent traveler (e.g. our group) will fly into Montrose, CO, about a 1-hour easy drive away from Telluride. Attached is a picture of Kathy and myself with the 4 grandkids.



#### APRIL CALENDAR

APRIL  $1^{ST}$  - APRIL FOOL'S DAY APRIL  $5^{TH}$  - PALM SUNDAY APRIL  $9^{TH}$  - PASSOVER APRIL  $10^{TH}$  - GOOD FRIDAY APRIL  $12^{TH}$  - EASTER <u>APRIL  $15^{TH}$  - WEALTH REDISTRIBUTION DAY</u> APRIL  $22^{ND}$  – EARTH DAY

#### COMEDY CENTRAL FOR SENIORS

# "Greatest Fear" – Submitted by Elaine Finiff



"When You Think You Have Seen It All" Submitted by Ron Palmer



# BREAST IMPLANTS FOR YOUR TATTOO!!??!!

Tweety Bird is 69! – Submitted by Carol Daly



(Editor's Comment: I know some 69 year olds that look like this!) IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT GROWING OLD

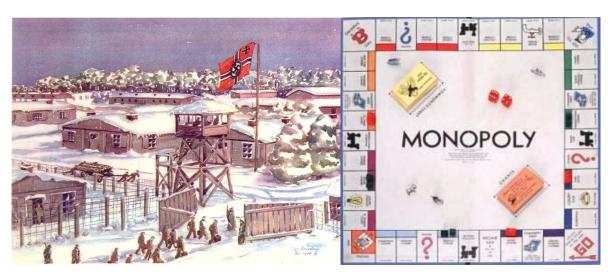


Well Crap! Now I forgot what I was gonna tell ya!

(Editor's Comment: Appropriate for me, I forgot who sent me this! I am sure you noticed that I forgot one last month too so don't send me a bunch of comments. I don't get mad, I get even.)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

If you are bored, click on the <u>"BORED</u>" button on our home page and it will give you a hobby that will keep you out of trouble for a while. If you want to reminisce, click on the <u>"ME"</u> button and you will find a neat "Land That Made Me Me" submitted by Jone Bowman. It is a little less than a meg in size so give it 30 seconds to download.



## <u>A Tiny Tidbit of History! – A WWII Secret- Submitted by Lee Wallis</u>

Starting in 1941, an increasing number of British airmen found themselves as the involuntary guests of the Third Reich, and the crown was casting about for ways and means to facilitate their escape. Now obviously, one of the most helpful aids to that end is a useful and accurate map, one showing not only where stuff was, but also showing the locations of a safe houses' where a POW on- the-lam could go for food and shelter. Paper maps had some real drawbacks -- they make a lot of noise when you open and fold them, they wear out rapidly, and if they get wet, they turn into mush.

Someone in MI-5 (similar to America 's OSS) got the idea of printing escape maps on silk. It 's durable, can be scrunched-up into tiny wads, and unfolded as many times as needed, and makes no noise whatsoever. At that time, there was only one manufacturer in Great Britain that had perfected the technology of printing on silk, and that was John Waddington, Ltd. When approached by the government, the firm was only too happy to do its bit for the war effort. By pure coincidence, Waddington was also the U.K. Licensee for the popular American board game, Monopoly. As it happened, 'dames and pastimes' was a category of item gualified for insertion into 'CARE packages', dispatched by the International Red Cross, to prisoners of war. Under the strictest of secrecy, in a securely guarded and inaccessible old workshop on the grounds of Waddington's, a group of sworn-to-secrecy employees began mass-producing escape maps, keyed to each region of Germany or Italy where Allied POW camps were located (Red Cross packages were delivered to prisoners in accordance with that same regional system). When processed, these maps could be folded into such tiny dots that they would actually fit inside a Monopoly playing piece.

As long as they were at it, the clever workmen at Waddington's also managed to add: 1. A playing token, containing a small magnetic compass 2. A two-part metal file that could easily be screwed together

3. Useful amounts of genuine high-denomination German, Italian, and French currency, hidden within the piles of Monopoly money!

British and American air crews were advised, before taking off on their first mission, how to identify a 'rigged' Monopoly set by means of a tiny red dot, one cleverly rigged to look like an ordinary printing glitch, located in the corner of the Free Parking square. Of the estimated 35,000 Allied POWS who successfully escaped, an estimated one-third were aided in their flight by the rigged Monopoly sets. Everyone who did so was sworn to secrecy indefinitely, since the British Government might want to use this highly successful ruse in still another, future war.

The story wasn't de-classified until 2007, when the surviving craftsmen from Waddington's, as well as the firm itself, were finally honored in a public ceremony.

(Editor's Comment: Clever devils those Brits.)

RECIPES

None Submitted

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