

WHS NOTE

Class of 1963 Association

February 1, 2019

Your exchange of comments makes the weekly WHS NOTE a vibrant and pleasing connection to the past we shared. Please continue to share your recollections, experiences and thoughts by sending them directly to WHSALUM63@AOL.COM. Your participation will ensure that the newsletter will be sustained for many editions to come.

The WEEQUAHIC HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, which solely mails the newsletter, is also linking to the newly formatted WHS NOTE on their website at WEEQUAHICALUMNI.ORG/WHS-NOTE.

Hi Weequahic District Dialogueticians:

Changing e-wigwam addresses:

Frankel Sokoloff, Gayle (6/63) -- gaylesok@gmail.com

Litwak Skopp, Rosanne (57) -- rosanne.skopp@gmail.com

Sad to Report:

Marty Powers (6/62) reported this week that Linda Lieb Tieger has passed away on January 17, 2019. Although no obituary was submitted, Linda wrote about herself in the 50th Class Reunion Legend. Click on [Linda Lieb Tieger](#).

Fred Goldman (6/62)

Burney Adams, described in the Star Ledger as a legendary football coach at Weequahic passed away

<http://obits.nj.com/obituaries/starledger/obituary.aspx?n=burney-adams&pid=191375862>. He served as WHS coach for 34 years; 26 as Head Coach before retiring in 2002. Adams was honored by the *Weequahic High School Father's Club* at a testimonial dinner and his name now appears on the Field House at Untermann Field. Fred

Jac Toporek (1963)

In yesterday's Star-Ledger there was an article entitled "*Legendary N.J. football coach has died. His legacy? 'That man saved my life'*" by Barry Carter on the life of Burney Adams. [Link to Star-Ledger article](#).

Leslie Weingarten

We are sorry to share the news that our mother Phyllis Goldstein Weingarten, graduate of June 1956 passed away on Jan 22, 2019. The obituary can be read at

<http://obits.nj.com/obituaries/starledger/obituary.aspx?n=phyllis-weingarten&pid=191382238>.

Special Request from Big Editor and Chief:

Your willingness to share the memories has sustained the *WHS Note* for over 20 years. Unfortunately, the memories and comments have dwindled in recent months. Without your e-thoughts, there is a possibility the weekly mailings will be without subject and content. Please dig deep and help to maintain this wonderful thing we have forged together for so many years. Remember, write and share.

Alumindians in the Archives:

April 5, 2008

Wayne Chen (54)

I am a recent member of the *WHS Note* and would like to make an early contribution by thanking you all for your recollections of your meals at Mings Restaurant. My grandparents and uncles (one of which was Charles Chin) owned Mings, which was named after my grandmother. I worked in the kitchen and dining room throughout my high school years (60 - 64). I probably served many of you.

For the record, the combination plate of fried or white rice, egg roll, and pepper steak, the favorite of Linda Zamelsky (6/60) was referred to as a #4. Anyone who wanted a combination plate with chicken chow mein ordered a #1. The one with spare ribs was a #9; and the shrimp in lobster sauce combination was a #6. Sweet and sour pork mentioned by Sam Hilt (65) was an entree ordered by sophisticated big spenders.

I would also like to share some things about Mings you probably did not know. For example, Sam Hilt noted that in comparison to the waiters accents his *refugee parents with their Eastern European accents* felt that they could pass for normal, red-blooded Americans while they dined at Mings. The truth is, the full-time waiters were immigrants from Hong Kong or the Canton province of China with limited English skills. The waiters picked up many of their English expressions from their customers.

I was born in Manhattan and raised in Newark. I spent many hours between lunch and dinner trying to explain that words like *schlep*, *putz*, and *goy* were not English words, but still useable under certain circumstances. I will also reveal that among the staff favorite non-Chinese foods were pizza and kosher corned beef sandwiches, which we consumed with abandon in a corner of the kitchen that could not be seen by customers through the swinging doors to the dining room. Wayne



Annual Florida Reunion

The All Grades Annual Florida Reunion Brunch is scheduled to take place at 9:30 A.M., Sunday, March 3, 2019, Gleneagles Country Club on Atlantic Avenue., in Delray Beach, Florida. Ray Kirschbaum, the organizer, can be reached at 561-496-6494. For more info, please contact jeanette.hendler@gmail.com.

In response to the trivia questions put by Sandy Scheps in the *WHS Note of February 4, 1999* and found in the newsletter of January 18, 2019 (<http://weequahicalumni.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/WHS-Note-01-18-19.pdf>):

David Moskowitz (6/59)

Q # 7; If you didn't have \$.25 for a hot dog at Syds, they would put mustard, relish and sauerkraut on a hotdog roll for you for \$.10. What was that called? A- It was called "The Phantom" and they sold a lot of them. I thought the price was \$0.05

Q #10: The Hot Dog Haven, as it was sometimes known, was owned by whom? A - The original owner was Dave Aranow. David

Arnold Cohen (56)

1: The Chanticleer in Millburn

2 They had an Awards Card; similar to many places today

3: All of the Above

4. I don't know. I have never been drunk. There were closer gas stations

5: True

6: No, they did not. Loud and unruly persons were asked to leave

7: A "cheap dog"

8: I don't remember

9: I remember 25 Cents

10: Dave Aranow

Norm Krueger (1/50) also asks a trivia question:

Another thing that has been on my mind is how did they arrive at the school's colors, orange and brown? This may have been answered in a previous blog, but I don't remember the answer if it was posed. Norm

Lenny Wolkstein (59) gets mail drops (cough, that is):

Steve Care (66)

To Lenny Wolkstein (49), Smith Bros were hard; so were Luden's, which are still available, but they come in bags, not boxes. The gummy cough drops were Pine Bros. The only difference between the two, Smith Bros. were round and Luden's were oblong (and still are). Steve

Diane Nikel Martin (60)

Counselor, Ludens were also hard cough drops, I think you meant Pine Bros. Those were the gummy ones. Long time no see, Len. Guess first time was in court when I was a DYFS Supervisor. Nice seeing you read this newsletter, too. Lenny Sherman and I, neighbors long ago on Schley Street communicate via email daily and he was spot on in that essay. Diane

Trudy Burakof Slater (64)

Smith Bros was and still are gummy. Ludens was and still are hard candylike. Trudy

David Chinoy (Chancellor 6/56) in response to a prior note from Fred Decter (6/60)

Fred, Paul Lyons and I lived on Leslie Street and were “buddies” for 8 years before I moved to Ft. Lauderdale in 1956. But for the move, I would have been in the WHS Class of 1960. I have countless memories of my years at Chancellor Avenue School. Growing up, I recall playing stoop ball and box baseball at home and knock-hockey, stickball and softball in the schoolyard all summer long.

Paul and Vivian Confield (Rausch) (6/60) lived across the street, Fred just a few houses down the block with his cousin Richie Trugman (6/60). I remember so many classmates like Jeff Reburg, Carol Cohen, Enid Pinkus, Normie Baker and the Katz twins, to name a few.

I lived in Florida until five years ago when my wife of 53 years and I moved to Frisco, CO in Rocky Mountain ski country. A few years ago, Fred and I made contact through Facebook and we visited Fred in NJ. We have kept in touch since then.

In the “small world” category, my eldest son, Kevin, a Hollywood movie producer, cast Sandra Brodsky (now Sandy Kane), a classmate of mine at Chancellor, in “The Florida Project,” an Oscar contender last year. She was cast on the recommendation of the writer/director Sean Baker. Kevin was not aware of the connection at the time. You will remember that we used to be seated in alphabetical order, so “Brodsky” sat behind “Chinoy.” She admitted to Kevin that she used to look over my shoulder for test answers!

If any old friends come to the Rockies for hiking or skiing the “welcome mat” is always out. I can be reached at dachinoy@me.com. David

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