

Reunion set for NFHS Class of 1964

Attention NFHS Class of 1964:
Niagara Falls High School Class of 1964 is having an 80th birthday party and reunion! It will be held from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, at the LaSalle Yacht Club on Buffalo Avenue, with dinner, mingling and music. On Friday, there will be a tour of the old NFHS building on Portage Road and Pine Avenue from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Organizers said, "We've had many reunions through the years but, since all the class members will be or are turning 80 this year, this reunion will be something very special. Dinner, dancing with a partner, wheelchair, walker or cane (all modes of assistance welcome), listening and singing along to the songs of the '50s and '60s, reminiscing about the good-old days, favorite teachers and classes, and then having

a birthday cake to signify this very special celebration will make it a fun time for all.

"Committee members have been earnestly trying to contact classmates in surrounding areas and those out of town. If you are a NFHS '64 grad, haven't received an email or call from someone, or know a classmate who may like to attend, please have them contact Jennifer Vitello by email at javern46@yahoo.com or 716-799-9337.

"Looking forward to a fun-filled reunion!"

Niagara Falls High School 3-class reunion

The Niagara Falls High School classes of 1959, 1960 and 1961 will meet for dinner on Wednesday, Sept. 23, at the LaSalle Yacht Club, 73 S. 68th St.

Organizers said, "We have established and reacquainted with wonderful friends. We added the class of 1959 and made it even

better. We have lost some wonderful classmates and also won some, too! To be able to get together once a year for dinner – this year for our three classes – it will be the last time, or 'Our last hoorah!' "

Emails have been sent out. If alums missed them and are interested in attending, contact one of the following:
✓ Joanne Renko: 716-861-2422
✓ Carol Nalbone: 716-870-2670

Former Active Hose Firehall band members to meet

A group of members of the former Town of Niagara Active Hose Firehall band have announced plans for a get-together on Saturday, Aug. 15, at the Calvin K. Richards Community Center in Veterans Park located at 7000 Lockport Road in the Town of Niagara, just behind the firehall.

Town of Niagara Historian Pete Ames said

former band members from the years 1954 to 1973 are invited to visit and reminisce from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the park, where photos of the band will be posted for viewing on the big screen. Coffee, doughnuts and water will be available for visitors. Park rental courtesy of Rich Van Orman.

"Please let us know if you can make it or not," Ames said. "You don't have to be a former band member to attend. Many of your friends will be attending the Niagara Wheatfield High School alumni reunion the following day, so this will be an opportunity to spend more time with some of your old classmates. Hey, if you want, bring your instrument along."

In addition, Ames invited visitors to bring along any Town of Niagara-related materials for scanning or for permanent donations to the town's Marsh/Rolling Local History Room at the Community Center.

To RSVP, text Vinnie Vivian at 386-566-1768.

TON residents urged to allow government access for testing

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that will provide all the data and a discussion on the recommended next steps regarding the ultimate cleanup of the property."

Evangelista said this process could take two to three months, ultimately leading to full property remediation work, as needed, by state and federal agencies, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. For impacted residents, it could involve "a potential temporary relocation offer or other appropriate mitigation measures (that) would be decided on the screening."

He noted, "That would lead to a report that would provide a summary of all the data resulting from this in-depth investigation that would be provided to the residents. It would include recommendations for the next steps, meaning what we would do to mitigate the property."

At this writing, one town resi-

dent has relocated to temporary housing, while others are considering their options.

As emotions continued, visitors were reminded, once again, that all officials were there that night with the intention to help impacted residents.

"We began this project with the goal of finding risk wherever it exists, and then taking that risk and remediating that risk," DEC's Chad Staniszewski said. As to the option of temporary relocation, "That's a conversation that's individual property-based, so that you can understand your risks, ask those questions.

"We did not start this process to ignore the things we have found. We started this process to (help residents) understand where there's risk, help clean it up, and help people through this process."

As the session wound up, residents were urged to remain and

visit at one of four tables staffed by specially trained EPA radiation experts to further discuss their concerns. Many opted to remain while others gathered outside where representatives from Save Our Backyards Niagara were seen offering information and enlisting support.

July 10 event spurred further action

At the press conference July 10, Niagara County Legislator Jeffery Elder said, "We're here today to hear from two homeowners about their traumatic experience in the last three months. Finding out that highly radioactive polluting material is polluting their yards and the yards of 120 other homeowners in this very area."

Elder was joined by a number of environmental interests and Town of Niagara residents Carolyn Johnson and Lexi Hawk, who previously received the advisory from the state DEC that high-

level radioactive contaminations had been found on portions of their properties. The residents learned the radioactive hot spots stemmed from past industrial activities in the county and Western New York region, much of it related to World War II-era Manhattan Project activities.

With the advisory came a request for residents to sign a waiver to permit government access and further studies of their properties, with assurances of swift corrective measure and temporary relocation (if needed). The news created a firestorm in the small-knit community.

Unlike the July 10 gathering, Monday's session was attended by a number of local elected officials, including members of the Niagara County Legislature. Sixth District Legislator Sam Farruggia commented on social media that he was impressed with the session.

"It was encouraging to see a coordinated effort focused on understanding the extent of the contamination and determining the appropriate response," he said.

Farruggia noted that roughly 30 property owners of more than 120 contacted responded to the EPA waiver letter and consented to sampling of their properties. Of these, six residents learned of radiation findings "significant enough to warrant property relocation" while corrective work is done.

"I would encourage any resident who has been (contacted) to consider participating in the sampling process," he said.

For more information on the Niagara and Erie County Radiological Assessment, visit the DEC's website at on.ny.gov/NECRA or email Region9@dec.ny.gov.



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