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Up Putnam n Down Greenwich



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The top photo with the Flag flying was the library on Greenwich Avenue. The one below might be what it looked like after it was expanded (but can't remember if it ever was) as it looks similar. The one a few photos below



"the other face of main branch" is the current Library which in its former life was first Franklin Simons Department store.



Then for a short time, it was another department store called Oppenheim Collins. After it failed the town purchased it and made it the new library.

(Editor's Note: The original Greenwich Library first referred to above, the one with the flagpole, had this really "pretty Librarian lady"... her name was Catherine Doenig. She is my sister. We didn't believe in that "step-children" stuff, we were too poor.)

New Kid on the Block



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Great to here from you after all these years. I'm also sending a copy of this to Bob McMillan so I can get me on the GHS EMail list, w hich I thought, I w as on already, since I told you on the phone w hen I added my name a few years ago to that list, I got a reply from Pieter Breitner.



Anyway, it sure has been along time. Went to Dean Jr College after GHS, then Oklahoma State University with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering, met my first wife there, settled in Dallas Texas, after a brief 18 month stint in the Uncle Sam's Army (my draft lotto number w as 52 that year)- didn't go to Nam - lucked out and taught at the Engineering School at Fort Belvoir Virginia, then back to Dallas w here I have been ever since.

I'm an Associate Principal at Omniplan, Inc., a 70 man commercial architectural firm in Dallas. If you w ant to see an aging graying photo of me visit www.Omniplan.com and look up the firm's officers. I have a daughter Jennifer by my first wife. Jennifer (30) is a labor and delivery nurse in Houston, married to Brian Raffety and has 2 children - Hannah almost 4 and Jacob almost 2. I am now married to Janet, a retired school teacher, w ho also has 1 grandchild w ith another grandchild on the w ay.



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As technical director focused on the firm's office and institutional projects, John Hafker is responsible for construction documents, coordination of consultants' w ork and the construction administration phase of projects. John received a Bachelor of Science in Architecture from Oklahoma State University. He has been a member of Omniplan for over 22 years.

A History Exam

As a rule, the WW-N-W New sletter prefers that all w ritings are to be from the individual, in their ow n w ords and not "Off the Rack". But in January soJourne, w e reprinted an eMail from Maureen Breuel Bohning which was in line w ith the "Do You Remember", first suggested by Jim Now land. Below is another "Off the Rack", this time set up as a multiple choice history Test. We hope that you have your number tw o pencils ready... and your blue books prepared w ith name and homeroom number already filled in. The proctors will be in the aisles, and now "you may begin":



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History Exam

Everyone over 40 should have a pretty easy time at this exam. If you are under 40 you can claim a handicap.

This is a History Exam for those who don't mind seeing how much they really remember about what went on in their life. Get paper and pencil and number from 1 to 20. Write the letter of each answer and score at the end. Then, best of all, before you pass this test on, put your score in the subject line!

1. In the 1940s, where were automobile headlight dimmer switches located?
 - a. On the floor shift knob
 - b. On the floor board, to the left of the clutch
 - c. Next to the horn
2. The bottle top of a Royal Crown Cola bottle had holes in it. For what was it used?
 - a. Capture lightning bugs
 - b. To sprinkle clothes before ironing
 - c. Large salt shaker
3. Why was having milk delivered a problem in northern winters?
 - a. Cows got cold and wouldn't produce milk
 - b. Ice on highways forced delivery by dog sled
 - c. Milkmen left deliveries outside of front doors and milk would freeze, expanding and pushing up the cardboard bottle top.
4. What was the popular chewing gum named for a game of chance?
 - a. Blackjack
 - b. Gin
 - c. Craps!
5. What method did women use to look as if they were wearing stockings when none were available due to rationing during W.W.II?
 - a. Suntan
 - b. Leg painting
 - c. Wearing slacks
6. What postwar car turned automotive design on its ear when you couldn't tell whether it was coming or going?
 - a. Studebaker
 - b. Nash Metro
 - c. Tucker
7. Which was a popular candy when you were a kid?
 - a. Strips of dried peanut butter
 - b. Chocolate licorice bars
 - c. Wax coke-shaped bottles with colored sugar water inside
8. How was Butch wax used?
 - a. To stiffen a flat-top haircut so it stood up
 - b. To make floors shiny and prevent scuffing
 - c. On the wheels of roller skates to prevent rust

9. Before inline skates, how did you keep your roller skates attached to your shoes?
 - a. With clamps, tightened by a skate key
 - b. Woven straps that crossed the foot
 - c. Long pieces of twine
10. As a kid, what was considered the best way to reach a decision?
 - a. Consider all the facts
 - b. Ask Mom
 - c. Eeny-meeny-miney-mo
11. What was the most dreaded disease in the 1940's?
 - a. Smallpox
 - b. AIDS
 - c. Polio
12. "I'll be down to get you in a _____, Honey"
 - a. SUV
 - b. Taxi
 - c. Streetcar
13. What was the name of Caroline Kennedy's pet pony?
 - a. Old Blue
 - b. Paint
 - c. Macaroni
14. What was a Duck-and-Cover Drill?
 - a. Part of the game of hide and seek
 - b. What you did when your Mom called you in to do chores
 - c. Hiding under your desk, and covering your head with your arms in an A-bomb drill.
15. What was the name of the Indian Princess on the Howdy Doody show?
 - a. Princess Summerfallw interspring
 - b. Princess Sacajew ea
 - c. Princess Moonshadow
16. What did all the really savvy students do when mimeographed tests were handed out in school?
 - a. Immediately sniffed the purple ink, as this was believed to get you high
 - b. Made paper airplanes to see who could sail theirs out the window
 - c. Wrote another pupil's name on the top, to avoid their failure
17. Why did your Mom shop in stores that gave Green Stamps with purchases?
 - a. To keep you out of mischief by licking the backs, which tasted like bubble gum
 - b. They could be put in special books and redeemed for various household items
 - c. They were given to the kids to be used as stick-on tattoos
18. Praise the Lord, and pass the _____?
 - a. Meatballs
 - b. Dames
 - c. Ammunition
19. What was the name of the singing group that made the song "Cabdriver" a hit?
 - a. The Ink Spots
 - b. The Supremes
 - c. The Esquires
20. Who left his heart in San Francisco?

- a. Tony Bennett
- b. Xavier Cugat
- c. George Gershwin

Answers and Scoring will be attached to the end of this Newsletter.

Senior Chorus Project



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(Editor's Note: The following is an eMail sent by Diane Adams French to Dr. Gerry Mack and Nancy Mack. It is another "page" in the Production called the Senior Chorus Project)

I'm so glad to be in touch with you again as I wondered where you had gone after Hartt. Do you remember Chuck Matz, a music teacher in Darien or Norwalk area? I've gotten to know him in the last few years and your name came up in one of our conversations. I checked my 3 LP's of Senior Chorus and this is what I found:



Recording No.1
 Ficker Recording Service
 Old Greenwich, CT
 GHS Senior Chorus and
 Community Orchestra
 Requiem Mass in C Minor - Luigi
 Cherubini
 Gerald R. Mack, Conductor

Side 1:
 Introit
 Graduale
 Dies Irae
 Offertorium

Side 2:
 Offertorium
 Sanctus
 Pie Jesu
 Agnus Dei

Recording No.2
 Gloria - Antonio Vivaldi
 Mary H. Mack, Soprano
 Margaret Saxton, Soprano
 Lucille Dressler, Alto

Side 1:
 Gloria

Side 2:
 Gloria (cont'd)
 Psalm 51 - Motet - Brahms
 Behold a Star - Mendelssohn
 May, 1962

Recording 3

European Trip Summer 1961

You have the list on this LP from Penny Haymes. Both sides of the LP are from our trip.

One of my memories from the trip is from the time we were crossing the border (into Italy?) and someone had forgotten their passport. The border police came on board to check passports and started at the front of the bus. You had us break out into a rendition of "Fa Una Canzone" while we secretly passed a front seat passport all the way to the unfortunate girl at the back of the bus. The authorities were so taken with our song that they never noticed a thing! By the way, this occurred on Bus C.

Dining Out with Kelley and Ted



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Last week in "Dining out with Kelley and Ted" we started the article with: "You inquired about our BREAKFAST WITH GEORGE (LaMonica) yesterday (Sunday 18 January 2004) at his restaurant "Mom's Kitchen" in Ft. Lauderdale, FL." Kelley promised photographs of their Breakfast.



George **LAMONICA** . Ft. Lauderdale . FL.



The photo in the middle is "Snuggles", George's Dog, and to the right, below the Marine Corps Emblem is the Seal of the Town of Greenwich, CT.

Sadie Hawkins Mid-Winter Reunion

(Editor's Note: The Sadie Hawkins Mid-Winter Reunion is an open invitation get-together for anyone wishing to attend, including those on eMail and those that can be contacted by other forms of communication, be they members of GHS'62 or other years, kith and kin and anybody in Manero's at the same time that we are there. In essence, we will make it what it is and with who is there. And it is set to start on Sunday 29 February 2004 at 4:00 pm at Manero's Steakhouse on Steamboat Road in Greenwich, CT. The first one's there, will have to figure out where the party is... and the last one's are in charge of turning out the lights.)



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It's a great idea, but for me, the installation of a Genesis II Oxinium replacement knee on February 11 is going to slow me down for a while. I would like nothing better than an opportunity to see old friends, visit where mom and dad were laid to rest, eat some red meat and possibly even sip a martini (they still make those, don't they), but alas, it is not possible this year. BTW, the knee just wore out, and has nothing to do with the motorcycle, the lion or the tiger. Attached is a photo of Josh (4 1/2) and Cameron (2) at Christmas, on Poppi's beamer. We have been blessed in ways too numerous to count, but these guys are certainly #1 and 2. Take lots of photos at the bash.



The Davino Collection

We climb those steep stairs again as we flick on the overhead lights, and we smell those wafting memories come down to greet us as we drag those 60 year old feet, each step higher towards our Goal... It's the Park Lands and Shoreline of Greenwich.



At the Cross Roads
That's all I can figure on this one...
Any Suggestions



The Belle Haven Casino
I wonder if it had Gaming Tables?
Was it run by the Siwanoy Indians?



From the Shoreline of Belle Haven
The E. C. Benedict Residence in the Distance



E. C. Benedict Residence
So that was the name of the "Big House" in
Greenwich Harbor.



Binney Park
On Loan from the Jane Benjamin Sheen Collection



Bruce Park
Parking Spots are to the right in this photograph



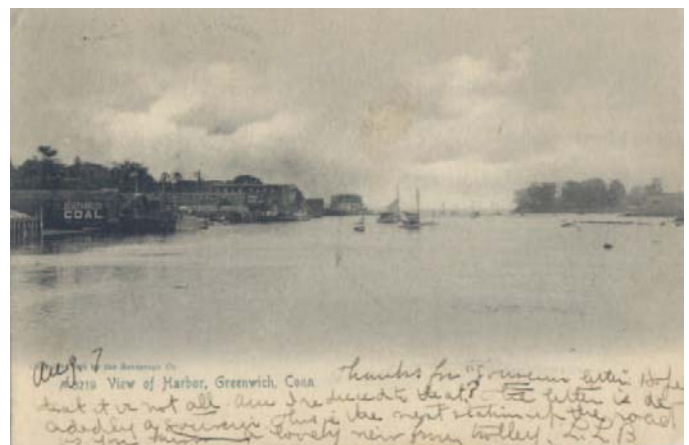
Field Point
My Guess this is taken from Bruce Park
Any better Guesses?



The Indian Harbor Yacht Club
From the end of the Pier



The Riverside Yacht Club
I am in Love...
Can I have this building, Daddy, Can I, Can I?



Greenwich Harbor
And after the Answers to the History Test...
You get to look back on this tour.

Answers to History Test

1. b) On the floor, to the left of the clutch.
2. b) To sprinkle clothes before ironing. Who had a steam iron?
3. c) Cold weather caused the milk to freeze and expand, popping the bottle top.
4. a) Blackjack Gum.
5. b) Special makeup was applied, and drawing a seam down the back of the leg with eyebrow pencil.
6. a) 1946 Studebaker.
7. c) Wax coke bottles containing super-sweet colored water.
8. a) Wax for your flat top (butch) haircut.
9. a) With clamps, tightened by a skate key, which you wore on a shoestring around your neck.
10. c) Eeny-meeny-miney-mo.
11. c) Polio. In beginning of August, swimming pools were closed, movies and other public gathering places were closed to try to prevent spread of the disease.
12. b) Taxi. Better be ready by half-past eight!
13. c) Macaroni.
14. c) Hiding under your desk, and covering your head with your arms in an A-bomb drill.
15. a) Princess Summerfallwinterspring. She was another puppet.
16. a) Immediately sniffed the purple ink to get a high.
17. b) Put in a special stamp book, they could be traded for household items at the Green Stamp store.

18. c) Ammunition, and we'll all be free.
19. a) The widely famous 50's group: The Inkspots.
20. a) Tony Bennett, and he sounds just as good today..

SCORING

17- 20 correct: You are older than dirt, and obviously gifted with mental abilities.

Now if you could only find your glasses. Definitely someone who should share their wisdom!

12 -16 correct: Not quite dirt yet, but your mind is getting keen.

0 -11 correct: You are not old enough to share the wisdom of your experiences.

