





Hey, Pamela! No one should have to turn 50\* without being surrounded by a few hundred other poor souls in the same boat. Now you won't have to, as the Jericho High School Class of 1972 invites you to **celebrate and commiserate together** at Steve's Pier 1 — as chosen by an overwhelming majority of the class in an on-line poll. My pals here will tell ya more!

Part celebration, part grouptherapy session, our **communal 50th birthday party and beach blast** will be like one of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon's mass arranged weddings, with one crucial difference: You won't have to go home with a complete stranger unless you *want* to. And kids are invited too.



\* You don't <u>have</u> to be turning 50 in 2004 to attend. If you're younger, come stand around acting all superior-like. If you're already 50, come share with us how you got through the big five uh-oh.

The party starts at noon with **two hours of cocktails**, **hors d'oeuvres**, **raw bar**, **and music** on Pier 1's spacious outdoor deck overlooking Long Island Sound. Then we move inside for a **three-hour buffet with open bar**. No having to tackle the serving staff and beat 'em senseless like last time! There'll be dancing, karaoke (for those who dare!), prizes, tons of laughs, fabulous conversation, and, of course, birthday cake! Also, we're inviting your teachers —

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not only from high school but from junior high and elementary school too.
Be prepared to hear "I always knew you'd turn out like this ..."

At 5 PM the party moves next door to Ransom Beach. Hang out into the night, watch the sunset, etc. Cooking out is permitted, and right across the street are outdoor joints serving food and drink, plus batting cages, arcades, and miniature golf.

Betty

Jughead



## Three (3) reasons why you absolutely have to come!

#1: This will be **the last reunion** until 2012 (40th) or, at the earliest, 2007 (35th). It could even be the last one, period. Life is so uncertain just look at my checkered showbiz career!

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That's right, T! *Anything* can happen! Attorney General John Ashcroft could declare **marshal law** tomorrow and ban all public displays of merriment and bare ankles. *Or* your devoted reunion committee could get run down by a **renegade Shriners parade** as they're leaving the JHS 50th birthday party. Believe me, these tragedies happen *all* the time!

The authorities may deny it, the papers may refuse to print it, friends and loved ones may insist **you're nuts** and increasingly avoid you, but *everyone knows* it's true! Why, one minute you're crossing the street, oblivious to any danger —

— then the next minute you're lying mangled by the side of the road, minicar tire tracks across your back and a lone red Shriners fez, sent flying by the impact, come to waft down upon your head.

Reason #2 for attending: This is as **nice and interesting** a group of people as you're likely to meet, as was demonstrated by the **warmth** that pervaded the 30-year reunion. This isn't an attempt to re-create the past — can't do it, don't *wanna* do it — it's an all-too-rare opportunity to **reconnect** with folks who share a similar background. Reason #3: Many new friendships grew out of the 30-year reunion as did one marriage! We made this point last time, but it bears repeating: The theme is come as you are, not as you were. Besides, no one can remember that far back anyway!

(I'd just like to add that I love all the world's children, because children are the future!)



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Here are some of **your written** comments following our 30-year reunion:

"I was one of those on the fence until the last second, and I can honestly say I am so-ooo glad I came. It really was a spectacular evening."

"My cheekbones hurt from smiling so much."

"It was a wonderful night. It brought home to me just how special and tight the class of '72 really was."

"I had a very good, positive experience and would have been at a great loss had I missed it. Everyone could not have been nicer!"

So even if you're generally not inclined to attend reunions, we hope you'll come and are confident you'll have a terrific time! Now, has anybody seen my long-absent mystery man? A debonair-looking dude? Wears a pretentious black eye patch? No? Sigh ...



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The cost for those who RSVP super early - by November 30, 2003 — is **\$110 (same as last** time), a 12% discount. RSVP-ing between December 1 and December 31, 2003, nets you a \$5 discount per person, or \$120. From January 1 on, the full \$125 price will be charged. Please RSVP no later than July 1, 2004. The price for each child under 13 is **\$60**. Only in America!

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## Directions (From LI Expressway)

• Exit 41 North (106-107).

• Just past Milleridge Inn, bear right onto route 106 north; nod respectfully in direction of JHS, on your left.

• In Oyster Bay, make left onto Lexington Ave.; then, at end, left onto West Main St.

• Bear right, follow road along water.

• Cross Bayville drawbridge; at end of road, make left onto Bayville Ave.

• Drive a mile or so. Steve's Pier 1 and Ransom Beach are on your right.

Pier 1: 33 Bayville Ave., (516) 628-2153

Every effort has been made to keep costs down. Please bear in mind, though, this *is* Long Island. For the record, the class of '73's recent 30-year reunion also cost \$125. Monies go toward the following: Steve's Pier 1 (menu on next page) · DJ/karaoke setup · two professional photographers • invitations, postage, photo I.D. badges, decorations, etc., etc. Cancel anytime through July 4, 2004, for a full refund.



Visit our class Web site for reunion updates, contact info for more than 300 of us, photos from the 30-year reunion, an on-line "yearbook," and our guarterly on-line newsletter: http://www.jhs1972.org.

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STEVE'S PIER 1  MENU	
12-2 P.M. — on outdoor deck, hors d'oeuvres/full open bar/raw bar: fried calamari • sirloin on garlic toast • mini lamb chops • coconut shrimp • large shrimp cocktail • cherrystone clams • littleneck clams • oysters on the half shell • cheese and crackers • fresh fruit	
2-5 P.M. — in Queen Elizabeth Room (!), full buffet: two pasta stations • two carving stations • vegetables • fusion rice or potato • salad station • for kids, chicken fingers and french fries in addition to adult fare • birthday cake • coffee, tea, soda, and full open bar	
Mr./Ms	will attend / will not be able to attend (circle one).
Number of Adult Guests: Their name Number of Children: Their name(s)* (*Everyone gets a name tag, even civilians.) Cost per adult (circle one): \$110 (RSVP by 1-30-04) • \$120 (by 2-29-04) • \$125 (3-1-04 on) Cost per child age 3 to 12: \$60 Playing the raffle? Add \$5 @ chance Total:	Attend the <i>We're having an <u>optional</u> \$5 raffle.</i> Buy one chance
Please make check payable to "JHS Class of 1972 Birthday Blast" and mail to JHS Class of 1972 Birthday Blast, c/o Philip Bashe, 974 Stanton Avenue, Baldwin, NY 11510-2444. Once again, <u>you'll</u> be programming the music for the party. Please list your five all-time favorite songs (think danceable) of the past 50 years — which just happens to encompass the history of rock & roll.	
Song Title       Recording Artist         1	

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