

## Meet Your New Neighbors (continued)

### #225 – Margaret & Bill Fortunato

Hello New Neighbors:

"We are pleased to have this opportunity to introduce ourselves. Our names are Margaret and Bill Fortunato. We lived in West Islip, NY for 47 years. Our three children attended the West Islip Schools and all family members were very active in church and community activities.

Our formative years were spent in NY City. Margaret hails from Queens and Bill Brooklyn. Subsequently, our families relocated to New Hyde Park where we attended New Hyde Park Memorial High School together. We were high school sweethearts. We met during the summer months between our junior and senior year and have been together since. After high school, Bill enlisted in the USMC and completed a tour of duty. Margaret went on to business.

We are the proud parents of three outstanding children; Andrew (USMC, Lt. Col. – retired), Gina Marie (Attorney at Law) and James (deceased). We have three grandchildren; Alicia and Zane living in Keller, Texas and Jake residing in West Islip, NY. In 2014 we will celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

After seeing our three children through their formative years, Margaret resumed her business career. She completed 16 years of service with Analytab Products, a Division of Ayerst Laboratories as Manager of Production Control. Afterwards, she moved on to a 19 year career with University Support Services, the North American Correspondent for St. George's University, Grenada, West Indies where she managed the Office of Clinical Studies. Bill worked for the Long Island Lighting Company for 25 years. He ended his career as a Technical Training Supervisor and Welding Engineer for the Shoreham Nuclear Power Station. Afterwards, Bill moved on to a consulting company in Virginia as an Assistant Vice President for training and engineering services. Bill has been with Brookhaven National Laboratory for the past 22 years. Currently, he is a Safety, Health and Technical Training Specialist.

Together we enjoy an active life style including; traveling, dinning, theater, museums, visiting historical sites, friends, family and advocacy activities for the developmentally disabled. Individually, Margaret enjoys golf, gardening, reading and self-improvement activities. Bill has always been involved in sports including; the martial arts (Judo) and personal training. Moreover, Bill has been an active adult learner and in his spare time enjoys woodworking.

Foxwood Village residents have been very gracious, friendly and helpful. Thank you to all for the warm reception and helping us become members of the community. We are thrilled to be here. We are thrilled with our new home (#225). Moreover we are thrilled to be members of the community and look forward to making many new acquaintances."

### **Blond MEN Jokes**

A Blonde man shouts frantically into the phone, "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only two minutes apart!"

"Is this her first child?" asks the Doctor.

"No!" he shouts, "this is her husband!"

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A friend told the Blonde man: "Christmas is on a Friday this year."

The Blonde man then said, "Let's hope it's not the 13th."

*Submitted by Dianne Massiello (#209)*