

## 1953




THE SENIOR CLASS
presents the
1953 VDICE

* bassick high schiol *

Bridgeport, Conn.
"•BASSICK GOES


埌 埌
is iz is
$\square$ H
*
-


IBIDADWAY"9

## YEARBOOK STAFF

MARILYN LEICHTMAN
Editor-in-Chief
ASSOCIATE EDITORS
FRANCES BIRCH
JOSEPH FENICK THERESA DEL MASTRO HENRY McLAUGHLIN

BARBARA ROWLAND
LITERARY STAFF

Lois Almassy
Joan Barnes
Phyllis Csizmar
Diane Danko
Gail DueFrene
Patricia Ennis
Iris Gomberg
Joyce Gordon
Jeanne Halpin
Susan Handscombe
Eileen Harkins
Anne Marie Hogan

Nancy Hogan
Herman Lebovics
Barbara Locke
Jeannette McEachern
Marie Nobile
Ind Shulkin
Ann Shultz
Frances Stankaitis
Charlene Stroll
Jean Takacs
John Takacs
Milton Wilkes

ART STAFF
Jennie Bien
Ann Douglas
William Gergely
Susan Handscombe
Nancy Kent

## BUSINESS STAFF

Sheild Brown
Roland Caserta
Sonja Ek

David Merrill Arthür Schipul Joseph Seliga Shirley Sone Doris Tryon

| ADVISERS |
| :--- |
| Mr. Henry Walsh-Art Adviser |
| Mr. Richard Mayer-Literary Adviser |
| Mr. Emanuel Kleinwald-Business Adviser |

## *

## DEDICATION

We of the Class of 1953 join with the entire student body, the faculty, and the administrators of Bassick High School in dedicating this yearbook to Mr. George L. Garand, who is leaving Bassick this year to assume greater responsibilities in our school system.

We look upon Mr. Garand's leaving us with mixed emotions. We are proud and happy because of his success, and yet we cannot help a feeling of regret that Bassick is losing so well-liked and so capable an administrator.

With you, Mr. Garand, go our sincere wishes for further success and happiness in your new position. May the coming years be satisfying and fruitful.


MR. FRIEDRICH G. ROTH
Principal

MISS MARY J. GALLAHUE
Assistant Principal

## MR. GEORGE L. GARAND Assistant Principal

MISS HELEN LOCKWOOD Assistant Principal


## FACULTY

Left to right: Marie Cooney, Margaret Heider, Ellanora Burr, Mary Jane Gallahue, George Garand, Catherine Cullinan, Dorothy Cutler, Nonie Brennan, Miriam Cohen. Second row: William Daly, Susie B. Farmer, Olive Donnelly, Helen Anderson, Rose Costa, D. Marie Green, Barbara Ciglar, Elaine Cooper, Anna Donahue, Warren Brown. Third row: Sidney Goldstein, Herbert Harrington, Charles Carr, Frank Ham, Albert Fleischer, Stephen Gaspar, Paul Davis, Earl Brown.


## DEPARTMENT HEADS

## MISS MARIE B. COONEY

Head of History Department
MISS ELAINE COOPER
Head of Commercial Department

## MISS CATHERINE CULLINAN

Acting Head of English Department

## FACULTY

## MISS SUSIE B. FARMER <br> Head of Mathematics Department

MR. FRANK HAM
Head of Science Department

Left to right: Elizabeth Kelly, Helen Prageman, Natalie Stock, Friedrich Roth, Helen Lockwood, Emanuel Kleinwald, Pearl Roberts, Miriam Mallay, Lois Mayer. Second row: Helen Spillane, Grace Laing, Rose Iodice, Marguerite James, Lois Perrini, Florence Huntress, Myrtle Humphreys, Natalie Lamb, Helen Reed, Mae E. McNulty, Flora Neubauer. Third row: Henry Walsh, Louis Sebestyen, Henry Rockel, Stanley Oestreich, Charles Neary, Harry Lyon, Richard Mayer, Harry Kaplan.


## ${ }^{66}$ 1DD


is is is
is is is


Bamamas"9


## SENIOR DELEGATES

First row, left to right: Mrs. Helen Spillane, Joyce Gordon, Iris Garcia, Irene Petro, Katherine Kirby, Joyce Soldi, Elberta Moreland, Nancy Bassing, Ann Reath.
Second row: Andrew Csuka, Vivian Marks, John Turner, Lois Almassey, John Barry, Barbara Hurvel, Ronald Framson.
Third row: Milton Wilkes, Edwin Warren, Alan Lovins, Gary Widlitz, Joseph Fenick, David Panula
Not pictured: William Siemko.

## FAITHFULLY YOURS

The Senior Delegates are members of the senior class who have been elected to represent their homerooms in the planning and carrying out of class activities. Each homeroom elects a boy and a girl to represent it.

Some of the jobs that fall to the members of this group are the collection of class dues, the counting of votes for class officers, and the bringing of suggestions and requests from the homerooms to the attention of the class advisors and officers.

These delegates, as representatives of the homerooms, vote on important issues which affect the class and then report the results to their own homeroom.

With all these jobs to do and meetings to attend, the Senior Delegates are among the busiest people in all of Bassick.

GARY SNYDER
President


NANCY HOGAN
Vice-President


INA SHULKIN
Secretary

EDWIN WICKSON
Treasurer

ANN REATH
Co-director of Social Activities

THEODORE STAFSTROM
Co-director of Social Activities
 SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

## HOWARD AARON

"Howie"
"Take life too seriously, and what is it worth."

Tennis Team
Athletic Delegate
H.R. Vice-President

National Athletic Scholarship Society

PETER BRYAN ADAMS
"Pete"
"What would the H. R. do without you?"
H.R. President

Student Council

## LOIS RUTH ALMASSY

"Lo"
"Intelligence and personality combined."
Treasurer, Vice-President Spanish Club F.T.A.

Yearbook Literary Staff National Honor Society Ushers' Guild
H.R. Delegate

Newtonians
U.S. History Debating Club Scholarship-Leadership

## VIRGINIA MARIE ARCHAMBAULT "Gigi"

## "Every inch is packed

 with dynamite."H. R. President

Secretary of Student Council
All Girls' Days
Christmas Assembly
Journalism Club
Co-Captain Cheerleading Squad H.R. Treasurer

Girls' Chorus
Bassick Voice Business Staff Dramatic Club

## ROBERT DAVID ARONSON

"Flash"
"I'm really not that good."
Aviation Club
Radio Club
Journalism Club
Voice Literary Staff
Chess Club
Chemistry Research Club
Chess Team

GLORIA ADAMS
"Glor"
"Serious and well behaved Never any trouble gave." L.A.W.

JAMES VINCENT ALBRIKES
"Jim"
"God's gift to the South End." Spanish Club

RITA JULIA ALTIERI
"Ree"
"I talk whenever I have occasion,
and sometimes when I have no occasion."

Library Squad
Future Teachers of America
French Club
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Dramatic Club
Junior Mothers' Tea

SANDRA JEAN ARNDT
"Sandy"
"Unassuming, always friendly."

French Club
Future Nurses

JUDITH STEARN ATKINSON
"Judy"
"Far may we search before we find
A heart so womanly and kind."

Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Junior Mothers' Tea
H.R. Delegate
H.R. President Future Nurses
All Girls' Day



TERESA HELENE AUGER
"Terry"
"Sweet, happy, always gay
May she ever stay that way."
L.A.W.

Chorus

- Chess Club

French Club

KATHERINE MARGARET BAKER
"Margie"
"She can't complain-
she wouldn't know how."
French Club
Honor Society
Ushers' Guild
Student Council
H.R. Vice-President
H.R. President

Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Junior Mothers' Tea
L.A.W.

EDWIN GEORGE BALLA
"Mr. B."
"If personality were wealth, he'd be a millionaire."
Varsity Basketball
Inter-Class Basketball
French Club
Student Council

- Chess Club


## PATRICIA ELIZABETH

 BARNEY"Pat"
"When Irish eyes are smilingand hers usually are."

Junior Mothers' Tea
Chorus

VIRGINIA CATHERINE BARSKE
"Ginny"
'Ready for duty, ready for fun;
She lives content and envies none."

Bassick Student League

HARVEY BAKER
"Harv"
"What's it all about?"
Band
H.R. Treasurer

THEODORE LOUIS BALGA
"Ted"
"Walk lightly and carry no books."

Stage Crew

JOAN MARILYN BARNES

## "Joanie"

"She powders her face with sunshine."
Chorus
Choir
G.A.L.A.

Dramatic Club
French Club
Green \& White Revue
Christmas Assembly
Aeronautics Club
U.S. History Debating Club

Yearbook Literary Staff

JOHN ALBERT BARRY
"Jack"
"Competition for Romeo."
H.R. Delegate

NANCY JOAN BASSING
"Nasti"
"Kitten on the keys."
Choir
Voice Literary Staff
Scholarship-Leadership
G.A.L.A.

Honor Society
Ushers' Guild
Orchestra
Senior Delegate
Dramatic Club
Senior Debating Club

MARILYN JOAN BEDFORD "Lyn"
"Carefree and gay, Always something to say." L.A.W.

Mothers' Tea Aeronautics Club

## RENEE SYLVIA BENOIT

"Sparkie"
"A happy disposition reveals a joyful heart."
L.A.W.
D.A.R. Awards

LEIGH WEBSTER BERGLUND
"Bergie"
"To be a man of science is his fondest wish."

Dramatic Club
Bassick Voice Literary Staff
Newtonians
Junior Classical League
Senior Play

ROBERT LOUIS BESLOVE

## "Bob"

"He's a winner in Bassick's halls or on the gridiron."

Varsity Football
Varsity Basketball
Varsity Baseball
Athletic Delegate BILLINGS
"Brian"
"Little man what now?"
Bassick Student League

MARGARET MARY BENDLAK
"Marge"
"Cheerful, bright and pleasant to know."
Bassick Student League

KENNETH LEROY BERGER
"Ken"
"He'll tackle anything on the football field or in life."
Baseball Team
Football Team
H.R. Vice-President

SANDRA MAY BERKOWITZ
"Sandy"
"Danger, Red Hair."
French Club
Red Cross Delegate
Stamp Club Secretary

JENNIFER BIEN
"Jenny"
"Atomic Blonde"
Junior Mothers' Tea
Sophomore Mothers' Tea Yearbook Art Staff

FRANCES MARY BIRCH

## "Bunny"

"Cute as a bunny."
L.A.W.

Chorus
Yearbook Staff
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Basketball
Athletic Delegate
Dramatic Club
Christmas Assembly


"It doesn't matter she is small, She's sweet and nice and on the ball."

Chorus
Dramatic Club
F.T.A.

Journalism Club
French Club
Debating Club
Photography Club

## DORIS BOGGILD

"Dodo"
"Pretty to work with and witty to talk with."
H.R. Treasurer

Chorus
Spring Concert
Make-Up Squad
Christmas Assembly
Journalism Club

## JEANETTE ANGELINA

 BOSCAINI"Jeanette"
"Serious, but sweet A smile that can't be beat."

Junior Mothers' Tea
L.A.W.

Library Squad
Ushers' Guild
National Honor Society
Secretary of H.R.
Scholarship-Leadership
PATRICIA IRMA BOSTON
"Pat"
"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance."

Choir
Chorus
Dramatic Club
Junior Mothers' Tea
Spring Concert
Ushers' Guild
L.A.W.

BARBARA JEANNE BROWN
"Babe"
"Vim, vigor, and vitality."
Chorus
Choir
Dramatic Club
L.A.W.

Spring Concert
Spring Festival
All Girls' Day

BERTRAM JOHN BODNAR

## "Bert"

"I was a Boy Scout until
I started Girl Scouting."
Algebra Club
Debating Club
Stamp Club
Photography Club

GEORGE JOHN BOLAND
"Bo"
"Likeable? He's George all the way."
Football
Interclass Basketball

BEVERLY ANN BOSCH
"Bev"
"It matters not how long you live it's how well."
L.A.W.
H.R. Vice-President

Make-Up Squad
All Girls' Day

LEONARD MAURICE BREAU
"Mo"
"Vous etes le mieux."
H.R. Treasurer

DOROTHY ANN BROWN
"Dotte"
"Cheer cheer for Bassick."
Cheerleader
Chorus
Voice Business Staff
L.A.W.

All Girls' Day
Spanish Club SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

SANDRA JEAN BROWN
"Sandy"
'Brains, beauty, and friendliness Are the keys to her success."
Library Squad
National Honor Society
Ushers' Guild
Scholarship-Leadership
Yearbook Staff
Voice Business Staff
H.R. Vice-President
L.A.W.

Sophomore Mothers' Tea
D.A.R. Award

## GEORGE ATHERTON BUCKHOUT

"Jay"
"A fellow who will get there."
Dramatic Club
H.R. Treasurer

Choir
Jr. Class Delegate
Senior Play

SUSAN ROBERTA BRUNO
"Sue"
"Oh! Oh! Oh! what a girl!"
Jr. Classical League
G.A.L.A.

Athletic Delegate
Chorus
Junior Mothers' Tea
Future Nurses' President
Soph. Basketball Champs
All Girls' Day

MAUREEN JEAN BUCKLEY
"Moe"
"Lovely as a pearl."
L.A.W.

French Club
Make-up Squad
Inter-class Sports

RICHARD STANLEY BULL
"Rich"
"Black Rock's gift to Bassick."
Sophomore Delegate
H.R. President

Vice-President of Student Council
Spanish Club

- Chemistry Research Club

RICHARD ARNOLD CARLSON
"Captain Kurt"
"A pillar of strength and character."

Jr. Red Cross Delegate

GEORGE JOSEPH CARROLL
"George"
"All great men are dead.
I'm not feeling so well myself."
H.R. Vice-President
H.R. President

DONALD SUMNER BUELL "Sales"
"He takes life as it comes."
Advanced Algebra Club
French Club

NOEL DWAYNE CAGLE
"Buck"
"Homework is for the tootweary."

Chess Club
Football

EDWARD JOHN CARROLL
"Ed"
"Says little, thinks much."
H.R. Treasurer
H.R. Vice-President



## DORIS MARION CHRISTENSON

## "Dor"

"Forever fiddlin' around."
F.T.A.

Spanish Club
G.A.L.A.

Chorus
Orchestra
Interclass Sports
Jr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day
Christmas Assembly

## HENRY ROBERT COFEK

"Tuffy"
"Words are to him like a carrier pigeon-released only in an emergency."
Advanced Algebra Club

CARMEN ROSE COLORADO Chiquie"
"She looks quiet, but never judge a book by its cover."
Cooking Club
Sewing Club
Spanish Club

NORMAN VINCENT CHACHO
"Norm"
"I am not a politician and, my other habits are good."
H.R. Vice-President
H.R. President

Baseball Team
Inter-class Basketball

ELEANOR LOUISE CHAMBERS
"Little One"
"Bored of Education."
L.A.W.

NORMA CLAUDIO
"Norma"
"A girl who's very sweet, The kind you'd like to meet." Bassick Student League

RICHARD COLLINS
"Dick"
"He makes the most of all that comes
And the least of all that goes."
Bassick Student League

ROBERT JOSEPH CONKLIN
"Bob"
"Small but mighty."
Athletic Delegate

THERESA ANN CONWAY "Terry"
"Her heart is young and gay." Dramatic Club

CATHERINE ELIZABETH CORSO
"Cathy"
"A minute late isn't much."
Bassick Student League

DUANE EDWARD COVENTRY
"Duke"
"Jack of all trades, master of fun.'
Bassick Student League

MARY JANE ELIZABETH COSTA
"Mary"
"With a song in her heart and a smile on her lips."

## Chorus

Make-up Squad
Future Teachers of America Spanish Club
Junior Mothers' Tea
SANDRA EDITH CROSBY
"Sandy"
"Always active, always gay, Sandy's our gal all the way."
Cheerleading
G.A.L.A.

Girls' Chorus
F.N.A.

Junior Mothers' Tea
Athletic Delegate
H.R. Delegate

Interclass Sports
All Girls' Day Jr. Capt.
Social Director of F.N.A.

CAROL ANN CSIZMAR
"Carol"
"To be cheerful is the best thing in life."
French Club
F.T.A.

Make-up Squad
Senior Debating Club

BARBARA ESTHER CSOM

## "Csom"

"The way to have a friend is to be one."

## Choir

Scholarship-Leadership
Jr. H.R. Delegate
All Girls' Day
All-State Choir
F.N.A.

[^0]
## MAUREEN CROWE

"More" to "Crowe" about.
Red Cross Delegate
Dramatic Club
L.A.W.

Future Teachers of America

PHYLLIS JOAN CSIZMAR "Fiddy"
"Her smile captures many a charm."



## $\star$ SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

J.V. Football

Interclass Basketball
Student Council
Athletic Delegate
Safety Council
Athletic Board

JANET MARIE CUMMINGS

## "Jan"

"Sweetness Personified."
Choir
G.A.L.A.

French Club
Dramatic Club
Spring Concert Scholarship-Leadership
Jr. Class Delegate

## DIANE JEAN DANKO <br> "Dee"

"If she has any faults, she has left us in doubt;
At least in three years we
have not found them out."
Future Nurses of America
Yearbook Staff
Dramatic Club
H.R. Secretary

Interclass Sports
French Club
All Girls' Day

## FRANCES MARY DeMARCO

"Honey"

## "Never shirking when

 there's work to be done."Red Cross Delegate
Make-up Squad
Junior Mothers' Tea
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
L.A.W.

Bassick Voice Business Staff
JEAN ROSE DESIENA
"Jeanie"
"With her voice and eyes so bright,
She will sing to your delight."
G.A.L.A.

Girls' Chorus
Choir
Future Nurses
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Green \& White Revue
Spring Concert
All Girls' Day
RONALD JOSEPH DEVAN
"Big Dev"
"It's not whether we win or lose it's how we play the game."
Football

CAROLYN GAY DEVITO
"Care"
" $5^{\prime} 7^{\prime \prime}$, sweet as heaven."
L.A.W. SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

ARTHUR DICK
"Dick"
"I have been called shy but not by those who know me."

Bassick Student League

DOLORES MAE DOSS
"Dossy"
"She makes every day a nicer one."
Dramatic Club
L.A.W.

Chorus
H.R. Secretary
L.A.W. Welcoming Committee

Junior Mothers' Tea

PAUL DROTCH

## "Pete"

"Care is a worry I don't own."
J.V. Football

Varsity Football
Varsity Baseball
Interclass Basketball
Spanish Club

GAIL ANN DUEFRENE
"Gay"
"There's mischief in those sparkling eyes."

Chorus
Future Nurses
Yearbook Staff
Make-up Squad

CHARLES EDWARD DONNELLY
"Charlie"
"Wit Incorporated."
A.A. Delegate

Aeronautics Club Newtonians

## ANN CHRISTINE DOUGLAS

"Ann"
"She's everything rolled up into a pretty package of dynamite.
H.R. Secretary H.R. Treasurer Future Teachers of America French Club
Twirling Squad Captain Junior Mothers' Tea

## BARBARA GRACE DUDAS

"Dudie"
"Fond of work, fond of fun."
Dramatic Club
Library Squad
Safety Club
U.S. Debating Club G.A.L.A. Executive Board Girls Tennis Championship Interclass Basketball Interclass Baseball Interclass Soccer Interclass Volleyball

## CAROL ANN DUNN

"Carol"
"A light heart lives long."
H.R. Secretary
H.R. Vice-President
H.R. Delegate

## JOAN ARLENE ECK

## "Buttons"

"Her heart is always merry."
H.R. Treasurer
H.R. President

Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Junior Mothers' Tea
Nurses Club
Student Council
Slide Rule Club
H.R. Treasurer



## PATRICIA ANN ENNIS

"Patti"
"The silver lining to each cloud."
Ushers' Guild
Dramatic Club
Library Squad Vice-President Jr. Classical League
Yearbook Staff
French Club
All Girls' Day
Junior Mothers' Tea
Debating Club
Sophomore Mothers' Tea

BARBARA MURIEL FABRY
"Barb"
"If silence were golden she'd be broke."
L.A.W.

Safety Club
Girls' Chorus
Spring Concert

ROBERT EDWARD FARKAS
"Bull"
"Oh, look at those muscles."
Football Team

BETTY ANNE FELTOVIC
"Betty"
"So petite and oh so sweet."
Bassick Student League

JOSEPH D. FENICK
ELEANOR MAY
EMANUELSON
"Elly"
"A pleasant girl with a friendly smile."

Twirling Squad
H.R. Delegate

Ushers' Guild

CHARLOTTE JOAN EVERLITH
"Char"
"She leaves naught but good to be remembered."
L.A.W.

Safety Club

RITA ANN FAHY
"Candy"
"Always friendly and helpful."
Red Cross Delegate
Chorus
Athletic Delegate
Future Nurses
L.A.W.

Slide Rule Club

JAMES EDWIN
FAULKNER
"Squeeks"
"Now what did I do?"
Tennis Team
Swimming Team
Spanish Club
Interclass Basketball Champs
"Tago"
"Me and my camera, snap snap."
Aeronautics Club
Yearbook Photographer
H.R. Delegate

Photography Club

## B

 SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE$\square$

MICHAEL KENNETH FETTIG
"Noble Ken"
"I can't go to the party; I wasn't invited."
H.R. Delegate Safety Club French Club Interclass Basketball H.R. Vice-President Chess Club

## ANN LOUISE FOOTHORAP

"Footy"
"Happy am I; from care I'm free,
Why are they not all like me?"
G.A.L.A.

Choir
Aeronautics Club
Red Cross Delegate
Dramatic Club
Inter-Class Sports
Spanish Club
All Girls' Day

NORA LOUISE FOURCHETTE
"Blondie"
"Her ways are ways of pleasantness."
L.A.W.

ELBERT ADRIAN FULLER
"Sleepy"
"Country Gentleman."
Stage Crew

WILLIAM GERGELY, JR.
"Bill"
"These wild wild women are making a wild man of me."

## Scenic Artists

Chess Club
H.R. Delegate

Interclass Basketball

ANN FRANCES FIORE
"Annie"
"You can see the blue of the skies
In her heavenly eyes."
Library Squad
French Club
Red Cross Delegate
H.R. President
G.A.L.A.

Girls' Chorus

GAIL ALINE FORD "Gail"
"A mould of fashion; a glass of form."
Voice Business Staff
Girls' Chorus
Choir
Spanish Club
Spring Concert
Senior Debating Club
Yearbook Staff

## RONALD IRA FRAMSON

"Ronny"
"Wit supreme rates him tops."

## Band

Orchestra
Manager of Basketball Team H.R. Delegate Athletic Delegate
U.S. History Debating Club Spanish Club
Bassick Voice Business Staff
IRIS TERESA GARCIA
"Garcia's Baby"
"I play not for gain but for sport."
Spanish Club
G.A.L.A.
F.T.A.

French Club
Make-up Squad
Spring Concert
H.R. Delegate

All Girls' Day
Inter-Class Sports

NANCY MARY GIBBONS
"Nance"
"Sweet dignity spiced with pleasantness."

Spanish Club



RONALD ALAN GONDOR
"What's all the rush for?" Stage Crew
French Club
Chorus
Future Nurses

## "Ron"

Dramatics Club
Chorus
Library Squad
Band Sect.
U.S. History Debating Club

ANN MARIE GONEAU
"Ann"
"Gracious manners and quiet airs
Are aids in meeting life's great cares."


JAMES JOSEPH GRIGLUN

## " Jim"

"He has everythingbut trouble."

Spanish Club
Aviations Club
"It is pleasant at times to play the madman."
A.A. Delegate

Golf Team
J.V. Football

Interclass Basketball

IRIS MIRIAM GOMBERG

## "Iris"

"Congenial, cooperative, and cheerful."

Dramatic Club
French Club Treasurer
Spanish Club
Yearbook Staff
Future Teachers of America
Ushers' Guild
JOYCE BARBARA GORDON
"Flash"
"She's chic and sweet and so petite."
H.R. Vice-President

Library Squad
Dramatic Club
Jr. Classical League
Jr. Mothers' Tea
Make-up Squad
Spring Concert
Girls' Chorus
Yearbook Staff
Interclass Sports
LAWRENCE THOMAS GRESS

> "Larry"
"Healthy and free is the world for me."
Scenic Builders
J.V. Basketball

Varsity Basketball
Interclass Basketball
Interclass Basketball Cham-
pionship
H.R. Delegate

## DIANE SANDRA

 GUENSTER$$
" D i "
$$

"No job too menial; No praise too high."
H.R. Treasurer Dramatic Club G.A.L.A.

French Club
Interclass Sports Aeronautics Club

## B

## SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

JEANNE MARGARET HALPIN "Jay"
"She takes her place with Dukes, Barons, and Earls." Dramatic Club
Voice Literary Staff
National Honor Society
Scholarship-Leadership
Ushers' Guild
L.A.W.

Spanish Club
Senior Play
Yearbook Staff
Jr. \& Soph. Mothers' Teas
BARBARA JEAN HANZ "Tex"
"Her friends are many,
Her foes, are there any?"
Jr. Head Usher
President Spanish Club
G.A.L.A. Vice-President

Spring Play
Cheerleader
President Future Teachers
Dramatic Club
H.R. Delegate

Scholarship-Leadership
H.R. President

THOMAS JOHN HARSHBARGER
'Hot Rod"
"What he doesn't know about cars, isn't worth knowing."
Bassick Student League

PATRICIA ANN HEALY
"Pat"
'Easy come, easy go;
Not too fast, not too slow."
Future Nurses

HELEN ANN HESSE

## "Helen"

"She radiates good nature."
L.A.W.

Ushers' Guild
Homeroom Secretary

HANDSCOMBE "Sue"

## SHIRLEY SUSAN

"A girl with personality classed A-1,
Her friends are many, her foes are none."
H.R. Treasurer
H.R. Secretary
G.A.L.A. Secretary

French Club
F.T.A.

Senior Debating Club
Yearbook Staff
All Girls' Day
Dramatic Club
Interclass Sports
EILEEN MARY HARKINS
"I"
"Sugar and spice and everything nice."
F.T.A.
H.R. Delegate

Chorus
All Girls' Day
Yearbook Staff

ARTHUR NEIL HAUT
"Art"
"He is a mild-mannered man." Tennis
Spanish Club

ROBERT EMMITT HENNESSEY
"Bob"
"Never worry, never fret,
That tardy bell's not got me yet."

Band
Radio Club
Photography Club

KENNETH PHILLIP HOFFORD

## "Ken"

"Cool, calm, and collected."
Bassick Student League



ANNE-MARIE HOGAN "Anne"
"Mischief dances in her eyes, and smiles upon her lips." Choir
Spanish Club
National Honor Society
Ushers' Guild
G.A.L.A.

Dramatic Club
Red Cross Delegate Basketball Interclass

Champs '50
Yearbook Staff
All-Girls' Day

## BARBARA ANNE HOLDA

## "Barb"

"This we know, where'er the place
Her presence will add charm and grace."
Red Cross Delegate
Library Squad
D.A.R.

Welcoming Committee L.A.W.

## STARR DORTHEA HOSBACH

## "Termite"

"Let me have music."
French Club
Spanish Club
Band
Orchestra
Basketball
Chorus
G.A.L.A.

Green \& White Revue
Concert

## CAROL ANN HOYT

"Car"
"A pretty girl with looks so sweet
She rates tops, she's hard to beat."
H.R. Treasurer

Athletic Delegate
Safety Club
Make-up Squad

JOAN GAIL HRIVNOCK "Joannie"
"Freckles 'n fun."
Journalism Club
Future Nurses Club

NANCY LOUISE
HOGAN
"Nance"
" $A$ bit of sophistication in her glance,
A winning smile, that's our Nance."
Vice-President, H.R.
Vice-President Senior Class
Vice-President Junior Class
Latin Club
Spanish Club
Choir
Yearbook Staff
Scholarship-Leadership
Sr. Mothers' Tea
Athletic Advisory Board

MARIE BETSY
HORVATH
"Cookie"
"Her loveliness I never knew until she smiled on me."
L.A.W.

PATRICIA ANN HOWARD
"Kitten"
"Sweetness is an asset in life."
Spanish Club
Future Nurses
G.A.L.A.

EDWARD FRANCIS HOYT

## "Ed"

"Life is tough."
J.V. Basketball

Interclass Basketball

JEAN ANN HUBAY

## "Jay"

"Never weary, never blue,
She's a friend forever true."
Jr. Home Room Delegate
Jr. Mothers' Tea
L.A.W.

Chorus
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert

# B 

 SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE $\star$JOAN CATHERINE HUCK "Joanie"
"Cute, cheerful, and competent."
L.A.W.

Chorus
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert
Red Cross Delegate H.R. Secretary

Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Junior Mothers' Tea

ANDREW HARTLEY JOHNSON

## "Hart"

"That friendly-smile guy."
Spanish Club
U.S. History Debating Club Cheering Squad
Athletic Delegate
H.R. Treasurer

JOHN LEROY JOHNSTON "Jack"
"A lion among the lambs."
Boys' Chorus
H.R. Treasurer

EDWARD ROLAND JONES
"Jonesy"
"Don't cry, girls, I'll be back!"
Red Cross Delegate
H.R. Vice-President

Scenic Artist
Radio Club
Photography Club

BARBARA MAE HURVUL

## "Hurv"

"Full of fun and fond of sports.'

Senior Class Delegate Spanish Club Chorus
Spring Concert
Red Cross Delegate
Vice-Pres. G.A.L.A.
Jr. Captain, All Girls' Day
Interclass Sports
U.S. History Debating Club

LOIS RUTH JOHNSON

"Lo"<br>Unselfish, good natured, and loved by all."

H.R. Secretary

Library Squad
Girls' Chorus
Sophomore Mothers' Tea

CLIFFORD JAMES JONES

## "Chick"

"It's not that I like study less but that I like fun more."

Stage Crew
Interclass Basketball
Boys' Chorus
Choir
Athletic Delegate

LILA MAE JOSEPH
"Nancy"
"Friendly eyes and merry laughter."

Dramatic Club
F.N.A.

VERONICA MARIE KALI

## "Ronnie"

"Cute, sweet, nice to meet."
Future Nurses' Club
Dramatic Club
Make-up Squad
Debating Club



NANCY LEE KENT "Lee"
"Artistically inclined."

Sophomore Mothers' Tea

MARGARET CECELIA KERTESZ

## "Mag"

"Size does not signity value."
L.A.W

Girls' Chorus
Choir
All-State Choir
Choir Festival

PATRICIA ANN KASCAK
"Pat"
"A million charms,
A million wishes."
Choir
Girls' Chorus
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert
Nurses Club
Sophomore Soccer Team

ELEANOR JEAN KEANE
"EP"
"Simplicity mixed with rascality."
L.A.W.

All Girls' Day
F.N.A.

CHARLES CLARK KELLY "Chas"
"It's in the book Why bother it?"

Radio Club
Photography Club

SIDNEY DALE KERR
"Sid"
"Manners and grace she has attained."

French Club

ANNE KATHYRNE KIELY
"Neet"
"One could mark her merry nature by the twinkle in her eye."

Bassick Student League

# B 

 SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREEEDWARD FRANCIS KINSELLA

## "Сар"

"I think the world is made for fun and frolic."

Varsity Football
Athletic Delegate
Interclass Basketball
Safety Council

KATHERINE EILEEN KIRBY
"Kath"
"Prim and neat, Cute and sweet."
L.A.W.

Senior Delegate
Jr. Red Cross Delegate
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Junior Mothers' Tea
Senior Mothers' Tea
Chorus
Voice Business Staff

## ARTHUR VINAL KNAPP

"Art"
"Fun is my best subject."
Athletic Delegate
Radio Club

## ESTHER IRENE KNUTSON

## "Esther"

"Friend to all, foe to none."
Red Cross Delegate
Chorus
Dramatic Club

## EILEEN CATHERINE

 KREUTZ"I"
"True to her word, her work, and her friends."
L.A.W.

Red Cross Delegate
Library Squad
Publicity Com. Spring Play
Bassick Voice Business Staff

KATHERINE FRANCES KINSELLA
"Kay"
"Sweet and cute, happy and gay." L.A.W.

SONJA JEAN KLAFSTAD

> "Sonny"
"She has both feet firmly planted on the accelerator."
G.A.L.A.

Choir
Spring Concert
All Girls' Day
French Club
Interclass Sports
Dramatic Club
Senior Debating

EDYTHE EILEEN KNECHT
"Edee"
"Make mine country style." L.A.W.

WILLIAM BART KOLESAR
"Little Kolesar"
"Is it safe for me to speak?"
Boys' Chorus

GASPER FRANK KUHN "Cap"
"You can fool some of the teachers some of the time,
But you can't fool all of them all of the time."
Bassick Student League



AGNES JEANNETTE LARKIN
" $A g$ "
"Sparkling eyes and merry smile
Make her welcome all the while."

Soccer Team
L.A.W.

Chorus

GEORGE JOHN LEIBY
"Leib"
"Little man with a football."
Football
Red Cross Delegate H.R. Treasurer

MICHAEL CRAIG LENGEL "Mike"
"Quiet at first, but look again."

Varsity Baseball
Athletic Delegate

JERRY FABER LEVIN
"Jer"
"Courtesy and good humour, nothing more valuable to a man."
Bassick Voice Business Staff Newtonians
Spanish Club
Dramatic Club
U.S. History Debating Club

Chemistry Research Club

MARILYN OLIVE LINDQUIST
"Maire"
"A sweet attractive kind of grace."
National Honor Society
Dramatic Club
Ushers' Guild
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
L.A.W.
"If the search for the perfect man does not stop with him, it at least slows up."
Jr. H.R. President
Sr. H.R. President
Newtonians
Advanced Math Club
Journalism Club
President Jr. Classical League
Yearbook Literary Staff
Editor-in-Chief Bassick Voice
Pres. U.S. History Debating Club

## MARILYN JEAN LEICHTMAN <br> "Mar"

"Her winged thoughts will lead to glory."
Editor-in-Chief of Yearbook
Vice-president National
Honor Society
Voice Literary Staff
Scholarship-Leadership
U.S. History Debating Club

Secretary Jr. Classical League
Girls' Chorus
Le Cercle Francais
Ushers' Guild
Dramatic Club

## LEONARD LEVI

"Uncle Len"
"What's the use of worrying, It never was worthwhile."
Bassick Student League

ORIN HARVEY LEVINSON
"Or"
"I don't like noise unless I make it myself."
Band
Music Club
Orchestra
Photography Club
Athletic Delegate

## BARBARA JEAN LOCKE

"Bobbi"
"Pretty, clever, with dancing eyes;
Always smiling, she's a prize."
National Honor Society
Ushers' Guild
Library Squad
Voice Business Staff
Yearbook Staff
H.R. President

Scholarship-Leadership
O.B.S.

Jr. Mothers' Tea
Sr. Mothers' Tea
$\square$

ALAN HERBERT LOVINS " $A P$ "
"A scholar and a gentleman."
Chess Team
Dramatic Club
Jr. Class Delegate Choir
All-State Choir
National Honor Society
Debating Club
German House
Scholarship-Leadership
Harvard Book Prize

ROY ALLEN
MacCORMACK
"Sparks"
"Ready, camera, action."
Stage Crew
Jr. Athletic Delegate

RITA NINA LUNDSTROM
"Reit"
"Truly, truly fair."
G.A.L.A.

Ushers' Guild
National Honor Society
Scholarship-Leadership
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Junior Mothers' Tea
Home Room Delegate
Home Room Vice-President
Chorus
French Club
RUTH CHRISTINE MacCORMACK
"Mac"
"Wherever she goes, whomever she knows,
To everyone her friendliness shows."
G.A.L.A.

Newtonians All Girls' Day French Club

MARIE ANTOINETTE MARBURY
"Toni"
"Few words but many thoughts."
French Club
Spanish Club
Jr. Mothers' Tea
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Debating Club

ANN GRACE MARKOJA
"Annie"
"How sparkling can you be? Just look at Ann and see!"'
Make-up Squad
Chorus
L.A.W.
D.A.R.

Red Cross Delegate
Junior Mothers' Tea

SHIRLEY ANN MARTIN
"Sam"
"Bassick's best booster."
Band
Future Nurses Club G.A.L.A.

Athletic Delegate
Jr. Volleyball Champs
Jr. Badminton Champs Interclass Sports
All Girls' Day
Spring Concert


BETTY MARIE MARCHWAT

## "Blondy"

"What would life be without the opposite sex?"
L.A.W.

VIVIAN ROSILAND MARKS

## "Viv"

"Dancing is the poetry of the graceful."

French Club
Dramatic Club
Chorus
Christmas Assembly Spring Concert
Green \& White Revue Senior Class Delegate


NANCY MARY MATYLAK "Nick"
"Quiet efficiencya key to success."

Chorus

JEANNETTE AURISE McEACHERN
"Rebel"
"Fortune grants this lady fair Charm and grace beyond compare."
V.P. G.A.L.A.
V.P. Future Nurses
H.R. Treasurer

Dramatic Club
Voice Business Staff
Cheering Squad
Voice Literary Staff
Ushers' Guild
Scholarship-Leadership
Spanish Club

BARBARA JOAN McGRATH
"Barb"
"It is nice to be natural when you're naturally nice."

Twirler
Chorus
Aeronautics Club
Dramatic Club

MARY ELIZABETH McLOUGHLIN

## "Red"

"Her hair is red, complexion fair, Is there one nicer anywhere?"

Future Nurses
Make-up Squad Dramatic Club Interclass Sports

AUDREY JOYCE MATYAS
"Aud"
"Of a courteous and pleasing nature."

Make-up Squad
Chorus
Sr. Mothers' Tea

ROBERT JAMES MAXWELL

## "Max"

"Let's be merry, care is of the devil."
H.R. Treasurer

Aeronautics Club
Spanish Club

PATRICIA LEE McCABE
"Pat"
"Mischief is her middle name."

Sports' Night
Chorus
Interclass Sports
Sophomore Mothers' Tea L.A.W.

Spring Concert

HENRY PHILIP
McLAUGHLIN
"Hank"
"At home with filmstrips and airstrips."

Aeronautics Club
Scenic Artists
Yearbook Staff

RICHARD DOUGLAS MEDIKA
"Dick"
"You mean I Passed!"
Bassick Student League

DAVID KENNETH MERRILL
"Dave"
"Ot a serious nature."
Radio Club
Photography Club

STANLEY STEVEN MIKITA
"Stan"
"One among manybut, what a one!"

Bassick Student League

## ELBERTA FRANCES

 MORELAND"Bertie"
"Lovely to look at delightful to know."
G.A.L.A.

French Club
Business Staff
Student Council
Cheerleader
H.R. President

Chorus
Sr. Delegate
ETHELDYA OCTAVIA MORRIS
"Thel"
"Here is one who is a friend to all,
Ready to help at a moment's call."
D.A.R. Award

Library Squad
L.A.W.

Junior Delegate
Junior Mothers' Tea

## THOMAS JOSEPH MYERS

"General"
"Mr. Touchdown, U.S.A."
H.R. President
H.R. Treasurer J.V. Football

Student Council
Varsity Football
Baseball
Interclass Basketball

JANE LANG METZGER
"Jane"
"Peace and quietness, that's her theme."
L.A.W.
D.A.R.

RONALD JOSEPH MINITER
"Captain"
"He gives his thoughts no tongue."
Radio Club
Aviation Club

JOHN DONALD
MORIARTY
"Chick"
"That's what we like about the South End."

Football Manager
Safety Club
Athletic Delegate
Red Cross
Chess Club
Interclass Basketball
Sophomore Delegate
Student Council
Secretary Stamp Club

THOMAS MUSTAKA "Moose"
"Why teachers get gray."
Interclass Basketball

BEVERLY ANN NACEWICZ
"Bev"
"Atomic redhead!"
Chorus
Sophomore Mothers' Tea



## DOUGLAS NAMIAN

"Doug"
"A good line is the shortest distance between two dates."
H.R. Delegate Athletic Delegate

PATRICIA ELEANOR NELSON
"Pat"

## "Ludlowe's loss

 Bassick's gain."Band
Orchestra

MARY NICHOLAS
"Mouse"
"Mice will be nice,
But this 'Mouse' is really nice."
L.A.W.

Chorus
H.R. Secretary

ALTON FLOYD NILES, JR. " $f_{r}$."
"The pixie in his eyes and mischief in his smile."

Stage Crew

CORINNE ANNE NOLAN
"Rinne"
"You'll always find her in a gay mood."

Spanish Club
H.R. Secretary

Make-up Squad

SIDNEY NELMS
"Sid"
"Lofty thoughts."
Choir
French Club
G.A.L.A.
H.R. Secretary
H.R. Vice-President

Girls' Chorus

MARGARET ANN NERKOWSKI
"Peg"
"An individual way has she, As pleasing as any way cat be."
Spanish Club
Sophomore Mothers' Tea Jr. Mothers' Tea Interclass Sports

CAROL ANN NIEMAN
"Carol"
"Cute, friendly, full of fun, She will always rate A-1."
Scholarship-Leadership H.R. Vice-President Bassick Voice Business Staft L.A.W.

Library Squad
Safety Club
Dramatic Club
Jr. Mothers' Tea
H.R. Secretary

Yearbook Staff

MARIE ANN NOBILE
"Red"
"Without a song the world would be mighty dull."
Spanish Club
G.A.L.A.

Girls' Chorus
Cheerleader
Future Nurses Jr. Mothers' Tea
Yearbook Staff
All Girls' Day

GEORGE WESLEY OLECHOWSKI
"Oleo"
"Often seen but seldom heard."

Junior Classical League
H.R. Delegate

Safety Delegate

# B 

## SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

CLARENCE WINFIELD OPPEL
"Opp"
"What, no women?"
J.V. Football

Stage Crew
Boys' Chorus Choir
H.R. President

Athletic Delegate
Varsity Football

KLARA ILONA OROSZ
"Klarika"
"Truly a lady gracious and sweet."
Chorus
Christmas Assembly L.A.W.

Spring Concert
Library Squad

JOHN DAVID PANULA
"Dave"
"If only books were women's looks, boy, would I study."
Senior Delegate

JOAN ELIZABETH PARKER
"Joan"
"A smile and a pleasant word for everyone she meets."
H.R. Secretary
L.A.W.

All Girls' Day

JOSEPHINE JUDITH
PATREN
"Jo"
"Talented and cute is this little miss."
G.A.L.A.

Cheerleader
Choir
Chorus
Photography Club

GERALD PATRICK O'SULLIVAN
"Lump"
"Nothing worries him, Nothing hurries him."
Bassick Student League

## MILDRED MARION PAPP

"Millie"
"Life without a telephone? That wouldn't be life!"'

Girls' Chorus
Safety Club
Interclass Basketball
All Girls' Day
L.A.W.

Future Teachers
Christmas Assembly

FRANCINE VICTORIA
PARZYCH
"Fran"
"Words, Words, all the time. She'd make a million if she could make them rhyme."
Dramatic Club



## SHIRLEY FAYE PECK

"ShirP"
"She faces life with a smile." L.A.W.

BEVERLEE SHIRLEY PETERS
"Lee"
"I'm early. It's only 8:44!"
L.A.W.

Interclass Basketball
Journalism Club
All Girls' Day

JAMES PAUL PETRO

## "Big Jim"

"Sports is his middle name."
J.V. Basketball

Varsity Baseball
H.R. President
H.R. Vice-president

Athletic Delegate
Interclass Basketball

DAVID ROSS PHILLIPS
"Dave"
"To take things as they be Is my philosophy."

Bassick Student League

BARBARA THELMA PISTEY
"Barb"
"God giveth speech to all, but song to few."

Girls' Chorus
L.A.W.

Interclass Baseball
Choir

FRANK PERRY
"Frank"
"Give me wine, women, and song."
H.R. President

Student Council Treasurer
Sophomore Delegate

IRENE PETRO
"Pete"
"Her friendliness wins many friends."
H.R. Treasurer Senior Delegate Chess Club

## BARBARA CHARLOTTE

PETTIT
"Dimples"
"She likes to do and she likes to say,
The nicest things in the nicest way."
Choir
Girls' Chorus
Spring Concert
All Girls' Day
Interclass Volleyball

## DOROTHY ANN

PIOTROWSKI
"Dottie"
"A leading lady in any man's dreams."

Sophomore Mothers' Tea Junior Mothers' Tea L.A.W.

Senior Play Properties

DOLORES LORRAINE PLOUFFE
"Ploufee"
"Her eyes accent everything she says."
L.A.W.

Chess Club
Interclass Soccer
Interclass Basketball SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

JUDITH ANN PONELEIT " Judy"
"A cheery word and a bright smile
Will always be in our style."
Chorus
L.A.W.

DIANE LOUISE PROCTOR

## " $D i$ "

"A good sport and a pleasing personality. Could you ask for anything more?'

Library Squad
Future Nurses' Club
Junior Mothers' Tea
Choir
H.R. Secretary

Spring Concert
Spring Festival
Christmas Carol Festival

## LUCILLE MARGARET

PUCCI
"Luce"
"A witty woman is a jewel."
L.A.W.

Yearbook Staff
Chess Club
Senior Mothers' Tea
Interclass Soccer
All Girls' Day

BARTHOLOMEW ROBERT PURCIELLO
"Bob"
"Rhythm is his middle name."
Dramatic Club
Choir
Senior Play
Photography Club

## MILDRED CARMELA

 RAGONESI
## "Mil"

## "Live and be happy."

H.R. Secretary
L.A.W.
H.R. Treasurer

Junior Delegate
H.R. Vice-President

TERRY WILLIAM POWLEY

## "Ter"

"All the world loves a loverSo all the world loves me."

Spanish Club
Chorus
Debating Club
H.R. Treasurer

Sophomore Class Delegate

ROGER FRANCIS PROKOP

## 'Willy"

"Service with a smile!"
Stage Crew
Bassick Voice Business Staff Chess Club

ANTHONY JOSEPH PUGLIO
"Tony"
"I'm here, you lucky women!" Radio Club

JOHN RADACOVSKY
"Rad"
"Sincere and co-operative."
Swimming Club
Boys' Chorus

BEVERLY JEAN RANDALL
"Bev"
"Quiet and shy-
Till she catches your eye."
L.A.W.



GRAYCE BARBARA RENZ
"Grayce"
"She can rise gracefully to any occasion."

French Club
Green \& White Revue
All Girls' Day
Badminton Tournament

WALLACE EDWIN RANDALL
"Moose"
"I prefer Brunettes."
German Club
Football

HAROLD ELLIOT RAPPOPORT
"Snippy"
"One who's friendly never lacks friends."

Interclass Basketball
Baseball Team Manager
Interclass Basketball Champs

ANN ZIMMERMAN REATH

## "Gus"

"Her better doth not breathe upon the earth."

Latin Club
Jr. \& Sr. Class Social Director
Ushers' Guild
National Honor Society
G.A.L.A.

Scholarship-Leadership
Senior Delegate
Student Council
Soph. Class Vice-President H.R. President

ROBERT JAMES RENO
"Bob"
"A good sport
Of the best sort."
Bassick Student League

KATHERINE HELEN REVAK
"Kay"
"She accomplishes all she undertakes."
L.A.W.
D.A.R.

Make-up Squad

JOAN ELIZABETH RILEY "Irish"
"The cheerful live longest." Chorus

ARTHUR BAILEY ROBERTSON
"Batman"
"Everything comes to him who waits; I'm still waiting."
J.V. Football

Varsity Football
Interclass Basketball

MICHAEL PAUL ROGERS
"Buddy"
"Our Buddy."
French Club
Chess Club
Photography Club

BARBARA ANN ROWLAND
"Bobby"
"Gaiety is the spice of lifeand so is Bobby."

Yearbook Staff
L.A.W.

Junior Mothers' Tea
H. R. Treasurer

Interclass Soccer
Senior Mothers' Tea

## EARL HOWARD

 SAUNDERS"Early Wynn"
"True to his work, his friends, his promise."
H.R. President

JAMES WILLIAM RIVNYAK
"Rive"
"Ask me no questions and I'll tell you no lies."
Photography Club

HELEN ANN ROGERS
"Honey"
"What would the library squad do without me?"

Scholarship-Leadership
H.R. President

Red Cross Council President Library Squad President Photography Club Secretary Dramatic Club
Spring Concert
Red Cross Delegate
Sophomore Delegate
Sophomore Mothers' Tea

MARY ESTHER ROHATY
"Es"
"If they only knew
What a Chrysler could do."
Yearbook Staff
Red Cross Delegate
G.A.L.A.

Future Nurses' Club

NANCY RUTH
SAMUELSON
"Bunny"
"None knew her but to love her,
Nor named her but to praise."
H.R. Secretary

Girls' Chorus
Library Squad
Ushers' Guild
Future Nurses' Club

RICHARD CARL
SCHALICH
"Dick"
"I prefer silent prudence to loquacious folly."

Bassick Student League



## SHIRLEY ANN SEMEGA "Shirl"

"Sweet as sugar and candy. Brains as fine and dandy."

Girls' Chorus
L.A.W.

Ushers' Guild
D.A.R.

Spring Concert

GRACE EMILY SHEPHARD

## "Gra"

"A twinkle in her eyes, a tune upon her lips."
Library Squad Dramatic Club L.A.W.

Girls' Chorus
Choir
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert
Future Teachers' Club

## NANCY SHOPLACK <br> "Nance"

"A queen for any king."
L.A.W.

All Girls' Day
Interclass Soccer
Senior Mothers' Tea

ANN ELIZABETH SHULTZ
"Ann"
"Personality and brains so attractively combined."
Yearbook Staff Ushers' Guild Dramatic Club Student Council H.R. President U.S. Debating Club Future Nurses' Club Future Teachers' Club Scholarship-Leadership Journalism Club
"Shirl"
"Silence is golden so they say. She's 24-karat all the way." L.A.W.

FLORENCE ROSE SERVADIO
"Flo"
"A pleasing personality gets you anywhere."
L.A.W.

Chorus
D.A.R.

Library Squad

JOAN LYNN SHERMAN
"Joanie"
"Ambition and perseverancetrue attributes of success."
Choir
Green \& White Revue
H.R. Secretary

Future Teachers' Club
Junior Mothers' Tea
Spring Concert
INA LOUISE SHULKIN

## "I'n"

"Efficiency clothed in a charming cloak.'

Dramatic Club
Jr. \& Sr. Class Secretary
National Honor Society
Scholarship-Leadership
Ushers' Guild Treasurer
Junior Classical League
Literary Staff
U.S. Debating Club

Yearbook Staff
Junior Class Delegate

JOSEPH ANTHONY
SICILIANO

## "Joe"

"Oh, Come now! Someone must have done the homework."

Spanish Club
Interclass Basketball
$\square$

SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE

ADRIANNE RUTH
SIEBALD
" $A$ "
"A heart of gold reflected by her smile."
H.R. Secretary
L.A.W.

Chorus
Make-up Squad

## WILLIAM CARL SIEMKO

"Bill"
"One of the quiet type who gets there without the blare of trumpets."
Choir

SALLY LEE SLAUGHTER

## "Sal"

"Charming, gentle, kind, and sweet,
A girl we're sure you'd like to meet."
Interclass Sports
Junior Mothers' Tea
Future Nurses' Club

## LESLIE SLOANE

"Liz"
"A little bit independentand so-o-o-o-o nice to be with."
French Club
Dramatic Club

## GARY NEIL SNYDER

"Garr"
" $A$ head to contrive, a hand to extend, and a nature we love."

Sophomore President
Junior Class Treasurer
Senior President
H.R. President

Tennis Team
Choir
Spanish Club
Scholarship-Leadership

RITA ROSE SIEGEL
"Ree"
"As likeable as she is lookable."
L.A.W.

Interclass sports
Junior Mothers' Tea
Library Squad

MARY ANN LORETTA SIPPE
"Sarge"
"An ordinary name for an extraordinary girl."
Red Cross Delegate
L.A.W.
D.A.R.

NANCY ANN SLIVKA
"Nan"
"To know her is a pleasure, As a friend she is a treasure."
L.A.W.

School Welcoming Committee
Red Cross Delegate
Junior Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day
Yearbook Staff
O.B.S.

MARILYN JOHANNA SMITH
"Smitty"
"She would pun thee into shivers!'"
A Cappella Choir

DOLORES ANN SOBOTKA
"Dee"
"She puts the Dee into Adorable."

Future Nurses' Club
Junior Delegate
All Girls' Day
Interclass Sports
Chorus



## "Pete"

"Her talents offered without a regret,
A girl that Bassick just couldn't forget."

Chorus
Cheerleader
Senior Delegate
H.R. Vice-President

Green \& White Revue
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert
French Club
All Girls' Day
Interclass Sports

SHIRLEY ANN SONE
"Sailor"
"Small and cute"
H.R. Treasurer

Library Squad
L.A.W.
D.A.R.

RONALD JAMES SQUIBBS
"Scabs"
"I'll do anything as long as it isn't work."

Radio Club
Photography Club

## FRANCES MARY STANKAITIS <br> "Fran"

"A friendly smile reflects her personality,
Her many friends, her popularity."
Junior Classical League Ushers' Guild
Scholarship-Leadership
Future Teachers' Club
H.R. President

A Cappella Choir
Library Squad
Senior Debating Club
Yearbook Staff
Literary Club

JUDITH BAILEY STOCKWELL

## "Judy"

"Of those we know, she's one of the best."

Safety Club
French Club

FRANK RONALD SOLOMAN
"Solly"
"He conquers his troubles with a smile."
Radio Club
J.V. Basketball

WILLIAM JULIUS SOZANSKI
"I have a heart with room for everyone."
Sophomore Delegate
Junior Delegate
J.V. Footall

Swimming Team
Spanish Club
Interclass Basketball
Debating Club
THEODORE M.
STAFSTROM
"The Kid"
"Share and share alikehomework, that is."
Senior co-direction of social activities
Junior Class President
H.R. President
H.R. Secretary

Interclass Basketball
Student Council
French Club
Chess Club

LOIS BEVERLY STEPHENS
"Lo"
"Vivacious, lovely, full of fun, A friend to everyone."

Chorus
Make-up Squad

CHARLENE BENITA
STROLL
"Char"
"Popular, pretty and always pleasant."
H.R. Delegate

Journalism Club
French Club
Sophomore Mothers' Tea
Junior Mothers' Tea
Red Cross Delegate
Dramatic Club
All Girls' Day
Interclass Sports
Yearbook Staff

## SENIOR CLASS OF FIFTY-THREE $\star$

## JOHN ALFRED TAKACS

"Big Jon"
"He 'projects' fun and humor wherever he goes."

Stage Crew
Yearbook Staff
Radio Club

JOHN JOSEPH
TASSINARO
"John"
"When no words serve, try silence."
Band
Athletic Delegate

RICHARD ALLEN TOM
"Ricardo"
"Mr. Mischief"
Spanish Club
Chess Club

HELEN MARGARET SZILAGYI
"Snooks"
"Friendliness at its best."
L.A.W.

Safety Club
Make-up Squad
All Girls' Day

## JEAN SHIRLEY TAKACS

 "Jeannie""A placid exterior fails to disguise an attractive brilliance."
All Girls' Day
Interclass Sports
L.A.W.

Girls' Chorus
Christmas Assembly
Ushers' Guild
Yearbook Staff
Library Squad
Future Nurses Club

MARIE LUCILLE TAMBURINE

## "Tangee"

"With a song in my heart."
Dramatic Club
L.A.W.

Safety Club

KEVIN D. TOBIN
"Kev"
"Whistling in the dark."
Varsity Baseball

## ROBERT JAMES

TROVARELLI

## "Cash"

"Take care with the way you use those eyes."
L.A.W.

Interclass Basketball
Varsity Football
Athletic Delegate
J.V. Football



DORIS ANN TRYON
"Dee-Dee"
"Modest and friendly to all." Make-up Squad


RICHARD JOHN VALUS "Rich"
"You just can't help liking him."

Bassick Student League

DONALD RAYMOND VERZARO

## "Hot Lips"

"To worry little, to study less, Is my idea of happiness."

Band
Orchestra
Chess Club
Scenic Artists

HELEN PAULINE TSUTSIS
"Len"
"A friend may well be reckoned the masterpiece of Fortune."
L.A.W.

Chorus

NATALIE TURCHANOVICH
"Nat"
"A world of wisdom in herself."
National Honor Society
Ushers' Guild
Aeronautics Club
French Club
Spring Concert
Christmas Assembly

MARY LOUISE TYER
"Mare"
"Her pleasant ways endear her to all."

Make-up Squad
Future Teachers' Club
French Club
Safety Club
L.A.W.

GEORGE JOHN VASAS
"Zeke"
"A sportsman at heart."
J.V. Football

Varsity Football
Interclass Basketball

ELOY JOSEPH VIADERO
"Tootsie"
"A quiet guy of much ability."
Scenic Artists
Photography Club
Radio Club

BARBARA JEAN VINCE "Corky"
"Stay as sweet as you are." Choir
All Girls' Day All State Chorus H.R. Secretary Future Nurses' Club

DAVID FULLER WAKELEY
"Bub"
"A good sport,
A quick retort."
Bassick Student League

GERALDINE MARIE
WARDLOW
"Jerry"
"Her good humor shows in her ready smile."
L.A.W.

EDWIN THOMAS WARREN
"Ed"
"Happy-go-lucky is his trend, All in all a very good friend."
H.R. President

Student Council
Senior Delegate

## RUTHSUE WEINGARTEN

"Sue"
"She lacks neither the will nor the ability."

National Honor Society
Scholarship-Leadership
Ushers' Guild
Dramatic Club
Yearbook Staff
French Club
Chorus
U.S. Debating Club Advanced Math Club Spring Concert

FLORENCE KATHERINE WAKELEY
"Dimples"
"A friendly girl with a dimpled smile"

Library Squad
Make-up Squad
H.R. Vice-President
L.A.W.

JOAN ELLEN WALLER "Joannie"
"Delightful to know." Future Nurses' Club H.R. Secretary

MARGARET FLORENCE WARGO
"Maggie"
"I play twenty-four hours a day."

Bassick Student League

PATRICIA LOUISE WARREN
"Pat"
"To be rich in friends, Is to be poor in nothing." L.A.W.

EDWARD A. WHITNEY

## "Ed"

"Knowledge is power."
Newtonians
Aeronautics Club
Junior Delegate
Junior Classical League
National Honor Society



DAVID WILLIAM WINBLAD
"Dave"
"Not as bashful as he seems."
Stage Crew

JEAN BROWN
YAMNICKY
"Jeannie"
"I will be the pattern of patience, I will say nothing."

Baton Twirlers
Green \& White Revue
Christmas Assembly
Girls' Chorus

MARY ZAMARY
"Mary"
"Music is a gift to this charming girl."
Choir
Girls' Chorus
Junior Mothers' Tea
Spring Concert

## "Gar"

"There's always time for fun."
Chess Club
Boys' Chorus
Spanish Club
Photography Club
U.S. Debating Club

Senior Delegate
Chemistry Research Club

## MILTON REAY WILKES "Milt"

"Knowledge to know, ability to do, energy to accomplish."
Aeronautics Club
German Club
Newtonians
Yearbook Staff
Honor Society President
H.R. Treasurer

Senior Delegate
Debating Club
Bassick Voice
Chemistry Research Club

## PATRICIA ANN WITKINS "Pat"

"Beauty and variety rolled into one.
Nice to be with and full of fun."
Girls' Chorus
Bassick Voice
L.A.W.
H.R. Secretary
H.R. Delegate

Sophomore Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day

## SYLVIA ELIZABETH <br> YOUNG <br> "Syl"

"More pep than a peppermint stick-and twice as cute!"
G.A.L.A.

German Club
Interclass Sports
Girls' Chorus
Spring Concert
All Sports' Night

JOSEPH JOHN ZARGO
"Joe"
"A friend, a student, a guy so rare,
With Joe there are few who can compare."

Athletic Delegate
senior class of fifty-Three

JOAN LOUISE ZEIDERS
"Jo"
"Here, there, and everywhereOur Jo."
H.R. Vice-President

Safety Club
Future Teachers' Club
Spring Concert
Christmas Assembly
Girls' Chorus
Junior Mothers' Tea
Interclass Volleyball

CAROL MELISSA ZIRON
"Carol"
"A good natured person is never out of place."

A Cappella Choir
Spanish Club
Future Teachers' Club
Chorus
Spring Concert
German Club
Nursing Club
Christmas Assembly
Aeronautics Club


## GRADUATES WITHOUT PICTURES

Louise Angeline Bonitati
James Van Horne Bowe
Donald Devany
Eugene Robert Du Bac
Ralph Costa Guedes
Raymond Kollar

Kenneth Edwin Middlebrook
Martin David Petrahai
Ronald Clifford Petrahai
Donald Thomas Slocum
Phillip Charles Swanson
Harman David Wilson

## In $\mathfrak{A l e m o r i a m}$

Edward Kermode (May 5, 1936-June 13, 1951)

Geraldine Martin (August 9, 1935-December 11, 1952)

## SENIORS



## LONG DAYS

## CLASS HISTORY

September 6, three years ago,
Our way around Bassick we didn't know
We roamed the halls and looked afraid
'Till an important announcement to us was made.

The news came as a big surprise, To us, the first sophs to organize. Said Mrs. Spillane to you and me, This class will go down in history.

We loved them - Mr. Daly to Miss Heider And our new class president, Gary Snyder.
As sophs we thought it very nice When at a party we "broke the ice."

We returned September, fifty-one;
As juniors with lots of work to be done. Not much later, of all things!
Juniors got measured for class rings.

Junior Class of fifty-two
Elected officers; how that year flew!
A dance at Brundages' was a party gay, Juniors and seniors planned it that way.

In December when rings did arrive The Juniors were happy, man alive! Valentine Day, and time for a spree, So our girls gave the Junior Mothers' Tea.

All Girls' Day came early in May, Juniors in fashion showed the way. West Point saw the Green and White; Oh, Bear Mountain - what a sight!

September the fourth, fifty-two
Our life at Bassick nearly through!
Seniors, high and mighty, we!
Leading school activity.

Our October dance was a huge success, With Junior help, we must confess. Our senior Thanksgiving was mighty fine, Cheering our team down the line!

The Senior Play in early December, Was a show of talent to remember. Gigi and George gained acting fame, To add glory to the class's name.

Hearts and flowers you could see, At the Senior Mothers' Tea.
On the very same day we threw off wraps, To be measured for gowns and caps.

The girls in gowns, chic and sweet, Boys in white tuxedoes neat; Went to the Prom and danced on air, You remember - you were there!

Seniors all dressed up to play, Got their yearbooks on Class Day. Characteristics, Prophecy, Class Will, And History gave us all a thrill.

## June twelfth, O Happy Night

Graduation, what a sight!
Good-bye to Bassick, tried and true; And high school fun that we all knew.
-Marilyn Leichtman
—Lois Almassy

## SENIORS




## SENIOR MOTHERS' TEA

Seated: Ann Reath, Eileen Kreutz, Katherine Baker, Ester Knutson, Etheldya Morris, Anne Hogan, Elberta Moreland, Mrs. Helen Spillane.
First row: Carol Nieman, Dolores Plouffe, Jean De Sienna, Sandra Brown, Rita Lundstrom, Ann Shultz, Joan Barnes, Nancy Hogan, Lucille Pucci, Katherine Kirby, Mary Zamary, Jeannette Boscaini, Ann Foothorap, Sandra Crosby, Mary Jane Costa, Nancy Bassing, Virginia Archambault.

## WISH YOU WERE HERE

One of the highlights in the activities of the senior year is the day on which the girls entertain their mothers. This is the day of the Senior Mothers' Tea which takes place in the school library. This year the Tea was on February 11, with the theme centering around Valentine's Day. The mothers were cordially received by Mrs. Helen Spillane, the senior class advisor, and officers Ann Reath and Nancy Hogan. Pourers were Ann Foothorap and Ann Shultz. Entertainment was provided by Nancy Bassing, Doris Christenson, and Jean Di Siena.

Delicious refreshments of dainty sandwiches, cookies, and cakes were prepared for the mothers. The girls showed they could be gracious hostesses, and their mothers had an afternoon of pleasant entertainment.


Almighty God, we give thanks unto Thee.
We lift our hearts in true humility.
Be with us, God, as we go forth this day;
And for Thy guidance fervently we pray.
Lord, light our way with wisdom and truth;
Preserve the faith and credence of youth.
Sustain our strength and spirit this day.
As builders of peace, dear Lord, light us the way.
O' God, make strong each heart and every mind, That we may serve Thy will and all mankind.
Thy righteous ways impart to us, we pray.
Inspire Thy youth as we go forth this day.
God, grant us the vision and courage we need, In pathways of freedom our nation to lead.
Imbue us with rev'rence for justice, we pray.
As builders of peace, dear Lord, light us the way.


# REMAINS TO BE SEEN 

## CLASS OF 1953 PROPHECY

It Could Happen To You

Gary Snyder, president of the class of " 53 " at Bassick High, has come a long way in twenty years. He's married now and has two of the cutest cows one could ever hope to see. He is known primarily for his book, "The Why's and How's of Cows, which was written on his farm in northern Monroe.

The other day, while reading an edition of a new daily paper, "The Morning Moo," Mr. Snyder came across a series of stories which are reprinted here with permission of editor Ina Shulkin. The first thing that attracted his attention was an advertisement:
"For your best buy in a new or used cow come to Griglun \& Sons, dealers for all model cows. WHY GO ELSEWHERE TO BE GYPPED WHEN YOU CAN COME HERE?"
Then more familiar names appeared in articles of current interest.

## WORLD'S FAIR OPENS

The World's Fair of 1973 opened today in Phoenix, Arizona. This is the largest fair ever to be held and has been completely air-conditioned by the Ekstrand Cooling Company. Mayor John Rapillo opened the Fair with a speech while Doug Namian's band featuring Bob Reno played appropriate music. Many special events and displays highlighted the first day including a first showing of a new strain of sheep developed by agricultural expert Ed Wickson. Ann Reath, his secretary, said it took fifteen years to develop the new breed, which has been bought by the great South American sheep raiser, Bob Aronson. Other events included a high wire act by that world renowned acrobatic team of Samuelson, Slivka, and Locke with nurses Jean DeSiena and Diane Proctor standing by just in case. Peters Adams stood by too, hoping for one of the girls to fall for him. Career girls Jean Takacs and Barbara Csom backed a beauty contest with candidates from the Vince School of Modeling. Arthur Haut was chairman of the judges' committee that chose Jeanne Halpin as winner. The free baby rattles and diaper pins that were distributed were at the courtesy of Boston and Bodnar, promoters of the Better Buys for Babies Movements.

## ROCKET LEAVES FOR MOON

The first rocket to the moon, piloted by Ed

Whitney, left its base at the World's Fair grounds early today. The first interplanetary stewardesses, Barbara Hanz, Sandra Crosby, and Charlene Stroll, supervised the loading of the passengers among whom were Theresa Del Mastro, Jeanette McEachern and Sandra Brown, members of the United States Olympic Tiddely Winks Team. The rocket was designed by Henry "they haven't got a chance" Cofek. Donald Buell, astronomer and navigator, said that if George Olechowski's rocket fuel holds out, they should reach the crater of Copernicus sometime tonight.

## WANDERER DISCOVERED IN SOUTH AMERICAN JUNGLE

"I was told to get lost," explained Paul Drotch after being discovered in the South American Jungle by Jim Bowe, who was searching for wild flowers. Also in Bowe's horticultural exploring party were Tom Stock, Eugene Du Bac, and Barbara Dudas, famed creator of Harshbarger Honeysuckle. Drotch, who was found in a very emaciated condition, will be nursed to health by the Faulkner Wonder Diet and nurses Marie Nobile, Ann Fiori, and Rita Altieri. He said that he had seen no civilized men for the past twenty years except James Moriarty and Bob Matey, who were looking for new archeological specimens.

## PRISON DISPUTE RAGES

The Do-Nothing Party headed by Terry Powley and Joe Siciliano has made an auspicious start by supporting Ann Douglas in her fight for the matronship of the Fairfield County Jail. Miss Douglas, in an exclusive interview, said "No comment" when the question was raised, "Do you favor coeducational reform schools?" She is now waging à courtroom battle against her rival, Lois Almassy, of the Reform Ticket. The chief difference between Miss Douglas' and Miss Almassy platforms in the issue of prison bars (non-alcoholic, that is). Miss Douglas is of the opinion that they should remain vertical, whereas the reform candidate feels that they should be horizontal so that the inmates may exercise by chinning themselves.

Miss Douglas is represented in her legal battle by criminal lawyer Jerald Levin, Esquire. Mr. Levin recently gained fame in his brilliant expose of honesty in the government. Miss Almassy is represented by A. Herbert Lovins.

Judge at the trial is Susan Bruno, modern Portia. Assisting the judge is Joan Eck, authority on female court trials.

The society page was headed by a picture of a huge wedding taken by staff photographer Joe Fenick. This story is below it:

## SOCIETY WEDDING BY HEDDA CABBAGE

The first person to cross my path at this fabulous wedding was Garison Widlitz, manager of the Bon Ton Catering Service. He was rushing about giving instructions to everyone. Seeing confusion in one corner, I walked over. Whom should I see but Bob Purciello, the famed band leader, arguing with Jack Johnston, the star of the Csuka Hour of Charm. Jack, supported by his manager, Alton Niles, was defending his latest original hit, the "I'm Always Chasing Bluebirds of Happiness as the Slow Boat to China Sails down Old Man River 'Blues'." Over in another corner I saw rival reporter Ruthsue Weingarten getting information from a trio of waitresses, Bertie Moreland, Judy Atkinson, and Pat Nelson. I was there informed that the wedding was between Beauregard Notsowellbilt, cousin to the Vanderbilts, and an anonymous Bassickite who goes by the name (and here is my exclusive) Frances De Marco. Coming into the hall were Nancy Bassing and Ann Foothorap, two grads of "53." Both were planning to blind the bride with rice and steal the groom when she wasn't looking. As I left the scene I saw Ann Shultz and Joan Barnes arriving to view this fabulous social event.

Still more Bassickites were found on the book reviewer and critic's page.

## NEW PLAY OPENS

Pert Patti Ennis, after being chased by villain Charles Donnelly, is finally rescued by hero Dave Panula in Norman Chacho's new production of "Sinister Sauerkraut." Under the direction of playwright Bob Beslove and with costumes by Beverly Bosch and musical score by Starr Hosbach, "Sinister Sauerkraut" is a likely candidate for the Tassinaro Award. Fran Stankaitis and Joan Parker have been commissioned to supply all the old sauerkraut needed for Patti to throw in Donnelly's face.

## ART TREASURE STOLEN

The International Art Show opened at the Municipal Building today in Chicago. Milton Wilkes, world-renowned painter, was horrorstricken when he discovered that one of his masterpieces, called "Frozen Turnips," had been stolen. Police Chief Tommy Myers said that Matron Joan Zeiders and Sergeant Ralph

Guedes would be put on the case. He also stated that it would be wise to follow the example of artist Barbara Pettit who has hired "private eye" Grace Oros to guard her works.

## BEST SELLER INVOLVED IN SUIT

Herman Lebovics, who has won this year's Oppel Book Prize, was freed from a law suit by Nelms and Kerr, attorneys at law after Hartley Johnson had filed a $\$ 5,000$ suit. He claimed for damages incurred when he injured his back while moving a load of Herman's best seller under the direction of his secretary, Marilyn Lindquist. Among the reviews of the prize-winning best seller, The Home Life of a Bowling Ball, are the following: Natalie Turchanovich, noted literary critic, thinks the book is good company for any kingpin. "It's so domestic!" says Barbara Hurvul, first female basketball coach at Yale. Gail Ford and Dot Brown agree that the color of the book's jacket matches divinely with the livingroom paint in their new Saunders-styled homes.

Mr. Snyder turned to the comic page to read his favorite strip written by James Albrikes and entitled "Perry and the Tyrants." When Gary had read that Frank Perry, master duck trainer and camel skinner, had escaped from the clutches of circus owner Marilyn Leichtman with his secretaries, Pat Witkins and Barbara Kasparek, he turned to the sports page where he found:

## SPORTS IN THE HEADLINES

Authorities on the subject today pointed out that manufacturers are putting out cheap and faulty sports equipment. Joe Gminski, owner of the Gminski golf course said that the holes he bought for his course this year were smaller and less empty than those procured last year. Ed Randall and Bruce Randall asserted today that from now on the footballs they buy for their team would have to be spherical and of good quality instead of mishapen and oblong and sewed up in the middle. Mike Lengel, manager of the only baseball team in the American League with a perfect record - no wins - said that he was going to have his equipment inspected for holes, especially Bill Sozanski's catcher's mitt and Carlo Olimpieri's bats. John Turner made an important discovery in the field of basketball when he cut one open and found it was empty! Ted Stafstrom agreed that the losses of local teams are due to such cheap equipment as, for example, the baskets used in basketball, which have big holes in the bottom.

Leigh Berglund<br>Rita Lundstrom<br>George Buckhout




## SKIN OF OUR TEETH

## CLASS WILL

We, the Class of 1953, having completed our term of confinement in these hallowed halls and realizing that soon the key will turn in the lock and we will be granted our freedom, do leave our accumulated and treasured possessions to the younger inmates, known as the lower classmen, who are destined to languish here a year or two after our departure.

First: To the Board of Education, we leave the elevator which they have so kindly built for us.

Second: To Mr. Roth, we bequeath a periscope so that he can sit in his office on the first floor and keep an eye on the troublemakers on the third floor.

Third: To Miss Gallahue, we leave a pair of combat boots because she wore out so many pairs of shoes patrolling the auditorium and halls.

Fourth: To Miss Lockwood and Mr. Garand, we leave a huge supply of monogrammed pencils with the inscription: "To Err Is Human."

Fifth: We, the Senior Class, regretfully leave Mrs. Spillane and thank her for her efforts to make our stay at Bassick so enjoyable.

Sixth: We leave a new Sophomore Class, for the senior homeroom teachers who will then realize how well off they were with us.

Seventh: We, the Senior Class, leave our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Robert Keleman.

Eighth: Gary Snyder bequeaths his streamlined eight-spigot cows to next year's gentleman farmer.

Ninth: Eddie Wickson leaves his ability for shearing sheep to next year's sheep barber.

Tenth: Ann Reath leaves her scarf with builtin sleeves which she knitted herself to Patty Hinckley.

Eleventh: Ann Shultz bequeaths one of her records entitled "The Valences in Chemistry" liberally seasoned with giggles to future chem students.

Twelfth: Paul Drotch leaves his electric razor to next year's 8:45 shadow because he has no use for it.

Thirteenth: We, the members of the Class of '53, leave the wonderful fourth and fifth period cake sales . . . and are carried to Miss Donnelly's office.

Fourteenth: Joyce Soldi bequeaths her deep bass voice to some freshman boy who at this stage will need it more than she does.

Fifteenth: To Miss Mallay, we leave a vacuum cleaner so that all the desks in her homeroom will be free from the "residue of knowledge."

Sixteenth: Gary Widlitz leaves his time-proven recipes for giving teachers gray hairs to Eddie Reiss who has some good ones of his own.

Seventeenth: The Senior girls leave a fund to purchase splinterless chairs for the cafeteria so that future students won't have to spend so much for stockings.

Eighteenth: To Mr. Carr, we bequeath a trust fund to buy a new key chain when the present one finally wears out.

Nineteenth: Ted Stafstrom leaves this classic answer for his appearance at parties without an invitation: "You must have forgotten to invite me."

Twentieth: Ina Shulkin leaves her job on the Bassick Voice to ten people who have strong nerves and even tempers.

Twenty-first: Alan Lovins bequeaths a book entitled "U. S. History Questions and Answers" which he compiled with Miss Cooney's dauntless help.

Twenty-second: Tommy Myers bequeaths his secret "nitric acid penny" formula, developed after months of diligent work to Mr. Davis to put under lock and key until the government feels the need for it.

Twenty-third: The Hildas leave the food (is there ever any left?) from their parties to some starving junior girls.

Twenty-fourth: Nancy Bassing leaves the piano in the auditorium because she can't drag it out with her.

Twenty-fifth: Frances Stankaitis leaves her study of the notes before starting the translation in Latin to Seth Weingarten.

Twenty-sixth: George Buckhout leaves his neighborhood newsstand in Room 112 to some enterprising junior who wants to learn the newspaper business from the ground-up.

Twenty-seventh: The Class of ' 53 bequeaths foam rubber cushions for the bench in Mr. Roth's office. George Goneau and Orrie Levinson complained of its hardness.

Twenty-eighth: To Miss Cutler, we leave our thanks for learning us English so good this year.

Twenty-ninth: Gigi Archambault bequeaths her bridal gown to all the girls in the Senior Class who are wearing "sparklers" on third finger, left hand.

Thirtieth: Nancy Samuelson leaves her new gym record of one-half push-up per hour as mark for the junior girls to attain.

Thirty-first: John Takacs leaves his ability for clubbing people to death with his wellaimed stage curtain to Bob Ruge.

Thirty-second: Marilyn Leichtman leaves her ability for catching colds to some lower classman who needs a good excuse for absences.

Thirty-third: Milton Wilkes bequeaths his office in the Honor Society to Herb Hicks, who would do justice to the position.

Thirty-fourth: Patti Ennis leaves her plea for shorter gym periods.

Thirty-fifth: Larry Gress bequeaths his dainty clodhoppers to a future "Li'l Abner."

Thirty-sixth: Charlie Donnelly leaves his reserved seat in Mr. Kleinwald's room to some future Trig scholar.

Thirty-seventh: Eddie Whitney leaves his new, streamlined canary-yellow convertible because the flash-light batteries running it wore out.

Thirty-eighth: Lois Almassy leaves her blowtorch which she used in metallurgic experiments to Mr. Ham.

Thirty-ninth: To the Junior Class, we leave desks bulging with precious odds and ends such as gum wrappers, papers, blotters, etc. We feel that they are capable of keeping and adding to our fine collection.

Fortieth: Leigh Berglund leaves his slide rule with the built in answers to Marty Levin, who gets tired of counting on his fingers.

Forty-first: To Miss Cooney's Luke McGlook, we bequeath a medal for his efforts to make history more interesting.

Forth-second: Rita Lundstrom leaves her lab technique in Chem to next year's poison gas executioner.

Forty-third: Herman Lebovics leaves his revision of the Aeneid complete with jokes in the margins as the new text for Latin IV classes.

Forty-fourth: Barbara Dudas leaves her Wheaton book covers with the Cornell stickers to some other sweet and innocent "mankiller" in the Junior Class.

Forty-fifth: Joe Fenick bequeaths his camera and several excellent blank negatives to Mr. Walsh as models for future Yearbook photographers.

Forth-sixth: Joan Barnes leaves to future students in 219 a book of helpful hints on pronouncing and translating French correctly.

Forty-seventh: To the boys at the gate, we leave several long cigarette holders so that they can smoke in class and not have the cigarette on school grounds.

Forty-eighth: Nancy Hogan leaves her gay week-ends to no one, she enjoys them.

Forty-ninth: Jean DeSiena leaves her pony tail as an inspiration for Betty Lee Baum.

Fiftieth: Jim Faulkner leaves and the clock on Mr. Carr's wall stops.

We, the undersigned, on behalf of the Class of 1953, do hereby set our hand and seal on this fourth day of June in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred, and fifty-three.

## Nancy Samuelson

Frances Stankaitis
Herman Lebovics-Chairman

SENIOR PLAY
First row: Leigh Berglund, David Panula, Nancy Bassing, Jeanne Halpin, George Buckhout, Virginia Archambault, Robert Purciello, Vivian Marks, Frank Perry, Susan Handscombe, Gary Widlitz.
Second row: Charles Donnelly, Ann Marie Hogan, James Bowe, Robert Beslove


## FATHER OF THE BRIDE

The play's the thing, and "Father of the Bride" was the production which the seniors made the biggest hit of the year. Many hours of work and rehearsals went into the play, with students and teachers working together for the play's success. We'll never forget George Buckhout as Mr. Banks, the father who was so bewitched, bothered, and bewildered by his daughter's wedding. Gigi Archambault lent her pretty self to the part of Kay Banks, the bride, who watched her wedding grow from a small, family affair to a monstrous $\$ 2,000$ extravaganza, almost causing, a rift between her and her sweetheart, Buckley Dunstan, played by versatile Bob Purciello. Miss Mae McNulty directed the play, Mr. Warren Brown headed the stage crew, Mrs. Helen Spillane supervised the ticket department, and Mrs. Marguerite James was chief of the properties.

## COME BACK LITTLE SHEBA

## CLASS OF 1953 REUNION PACT


#### Abstract

Now that our equally profitable and enjoyable high school days at Bassick have come to an end, we members of the Class of 1953 do pledge ourselves to reunite five years from now, in 1958.

We will come together once again to revive the memories of that time during which we were molded into people able to face the world. We know not what awaits us in the interim, but at our reunion we shall be able to recall the good times of Bassick, announce to our fellow members those successes that have come, and maybe even add a measure of cheer to that one who needs it

Therefore, until reunion invitations beckon one and all in 1958 we remain true Bassickites, striving "Onward Ever," going "Backward Never." Author President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Girl Co-Director Boy Co-Director





## 66 New



3
3
2
is is is


Fances"9


## JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

First row, left to right: Betty Lee Baum, Stephen Bessemer. Second row: Lois Johnson, Mrs. Rose Iodice, Robert Namiąn, Debby Bogin, Rudy Poklemba.

## ACCENT ON YOUTH

The officers of the Class of " 54 " are responsible for a fine production. Their capable director, Mrs. Rose Iodice, together with their talented producers, Steven Bessemer, president; Debby Bogin, vice-president; Betty Lee Baum, secretary; Robert Namian, treasurer; Lois Johnson, girl co-director, and Rudy Poklemba, boy co-director of social activities have worked with a truly cooperative group of juniors. The class
has planned and completed several events in which the results have been most successfulan enjoyable Mothers' Tea, and, with the aid of the Senior class, fun-filled Football and Hayseed Hops. With this record we are all looking forward to great activities in the following year and this is one group who it is certain will continue its successful long-run engagement for another year.


## JUNIOR MOTHERS' TEA

First row: Mrs. Rose Iodice, Gloria Samowitz, Rita Golden, Betty Lee Baum, Judy Kurowski, Lois Johnson, Barbara Soloff, Ann Cornell, Judy Nelson, Susan Schwartz.


## YES, MY DARLING DAUGHTER

"Snow Women" was an appropriate theme for the tea for the members of the Junior Class and their mothers. The Junior Mothers' Tea was held in the school library on January 8, 1953.

Judy Kurowski was General Chairman and Lois Johnson Mistress of Ceremonies. Debbie Bogin and Betty Lee Baum, class officers, together with Mrs. Rose Iodice, Class Advisor, welcomed the mothers. The dainty sandwiches were made by Barbara Soloff and Florence Nemic.

Judy Berry's singing and Barbara Wheeler's tap dance added much to the enjoyment of the day. A soothing atmosphere was maintained by the background piano music of Joan Matey and Joanne Bovick. As the happy and satisfied mothers left, and the restoration committee took over, Mrs. Iodice and the Junior girls could look back with pride to a successful and enjoyable Junior Mothers' Tea.



## $60-63+$

 Cor cose C) (\%) $5(1)-8+3)=$ (a). C-C4)- 0 (idore $\rightarrow 0$ a 4

$$
4, c, c
$$

$$
0
$$

10



(0) cis)

$$
\cos ^{2}-9
$$


(1) 14




Th CO: 00
2. U C (i) $4,1,+0=$ ?
(1) - 0.
a


10n
H. at? )



## SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

First row: Alice Hartley, Philip Swaim, Marion Svihra. Second row: Nancy Slater, Michael Herrara, Edward Curran, Mrs. Marguerite James.

## BABES IN ARMS

Although it is only their first year at Bassick, we must all congratulate the Sophomore Class on the fine job they did of choosing their class officers.

The class was started off this year by a "Get Acquainted Dance," which was arranged by their directors of social activities, who are Nancy Slater, and Mike Herrera together with the advisor, Mrs. Marguerite James. During March, they also had their annual Sophomore Tea which ended with gratifying results. The Sophomores of this year have really made a success of their endeavors.

We all hope the Sophomores have had a worthwhile and profitable year at Bassick and appreciate the efforts of their officers. We know they will continue to provide good leadership during their next two years. Good luck to the leaders of tomorrow!


## ${ }^{66}$ Finys

$+1+14$

## 2 <br>  <br> 

## -

$5-5)^{2}$
is is is
is is is



## SCHOLARSHIP-LEADERSHIP

First row: Ann Reath, Judy Nelson, Susan Schwartz, Dilys Williams, Ann Schultz, Deborah Bogin, Audrey Tesh, Ina Shulkin, Margaret Finick, Frances Stankaitis. Second row: Barbara Hanz, Jane Hathaway, Joan Matey, Jeannette Subik, Lois Johnson, Betty Ballas, Nancy Hogan, Barbara Locke, Jeanne Halpin, Lois Almassy, Jeannette Boscaini, Sandra Brown, Betty Lee Baum, Dianne Creaturo.
Third row: Nancy Bassing, Rita Lundstrom, Gary Snyder, Steve Bessemer, Frank Herrera, George Buckhout, Alan Lovins, Leigh Berglund, Richard Coburn, Joan Berkowitz, Judith Barry.


## AS YOU LIKE IT

This group is composed of those juniors and seniors that have been elected by their classmates to receive the coveted ScholarshipLeadership pin. The pins are worn for one year and returned in the hope of receiving another; in the case of the juniors, a gold pin for their senior year, and the seniors, a gold pin which they may keep.

These fortunate juniors and seniors are elected by their own class on the basis of their scholastic ability and qualities of leadership. Since only a small percentage of each class is allowed to receive the pins, you may be sure that they are really qualified to wear this "mark of distinction" proudly both in school and after they have been graduated.


## STUDENT COUNCIL

First row, left to right: Carol Govla, Dilys Williams, Lucile Emond, Johanna Olayos, Herman Lebovics, Deborah Bogin, Edwin Wickson, Richard Bull, Judy Atkinson, Betty Ballas, Joan Weed, Kathrine Baker.
Second row: Mr. Earl Brown, Barbara Evans, Mary Eilen Grant, Nancy Roda, Carol Buckley, Sylvia Pierwola, Richard Coburn, Paul Pando, Frances Turro, John Madsen, Bob Kline, Jean Cowan, Victoria DiDio, Susan Schwartz, Annette Kleban, Anna Kaku. Third row: Tony Jordhamo, George Carroll, Arthur Schipul, Alfred Nelsen, Peter Adams, Earl Saunders, Robert Namian, Bruce Randall, Joseph Sobotka, Peter Cummings, Phillip Swaim, Robert Smith, Gordon Chase, Tom Myers.

## COMMAND DECISION

Bassick's Student Council is a most important group and has an appealing goal. The Council is composed of all the home room presidents, and meets monthly under the capable guidance of Mr. Earl Brown. The goal of the Student Council is to improve Bassick High School through the voicing of opinions and suggestions of the students themselves.

The home room presidents not only attend these Student Council meetings but also conduct their own home room meetings, and lead their room at assemblies.

This year the Council and its officers: president, Edwin Wickson; vice-president, Richard Bull; secretary, Deborah Bogin; and treasurer, Frank Perry; have granted the school many worthwhile improvements. The Council sponsored its second annual sock hop this year, "The Snowball," for the benefit of the school.



## U.S. HISTORY DEBATING CLASS

First row: Joan Bochino, Veronica Kali, Phyllis Czismar, George Buckhout, Lois Almassy, Herman Lebovics, Ann Shultz, Nancy Bassing, Carol Czismar, Frances Stankaitis.
Second row: Ina Shulkin, Barbara Dudas, Patricia Ennis, Barbara Hurvul, Susan Handscombe, Sonja Klafstad, Joan Barnes, Antoinette Marbury, Vivian Marks.
Third row: Howard Aaron, Bert Bodner, Arthur Haut, Terry Powley, Alan Lovins, Jerry Levin, George Olechowski, Milton Wilkes.


## STATE OF THE UNION

The membership of the United States History Debating Club consists for the most part of the students in the United States History classes of Miss Marie Cooney, who is also the club's advisor.

The club meets twice a month and debates important issues of the day. Many of these issues are never settled and discussions continue all the way home after the meetings.

The officers of the club are: president, Her-
man Lebovics; vice-president, Lois Almassy; treasurer, George Buckhout; secretary, Ann Shultz; and time-keeper, Ronnie Framson.

No dues are required in this club, and for the first time this year's club has adopted a pin to be worn by its members.

The Debating Club offers experience in debating which will serve its members well in years to come.


## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

First row: Nancy Bassing, Katherine Baker, Deborah Bogin, Sandra Brown, Milton Wilkes, Edward Whitney, Marilyn Leichtman, Kathryn Molloy, Rita Lundstrom, Catherine Apostol.
Second row: Theresa Del Mastro, Jeanette Boscaini, Audrey Tesch, Patricia Kascak, Judith Kurowski, Ann Marie Hogan, Barbara Locke, Jeanne Halpin, Helen Rogers, Lois Almassy, Dolores Sobotka, Natalie Turchanovich, Frances Stankaitis.
Third row: Jane Hathaway, Ann Reath, David Hartman, Howard Aaron, Leigh Berglund, Alan Lovins, George Buckhout, Richard Coburn, Judy Nelson, Susan Schwartz.


## "OUT OF THIS WORLD"

The members of the Bassick chapter of the National Honor Society are truly "out of this world." They all have the qualities which are essential to becoming leaders in our world of today. To become a member of this Society is one of the highest achievements that a pupil of Bassick can attain. Miss Helen Prageman, who has been sponsor of the club for the past five years, is the Society's leader. Its officers
are: Milton Wilkes, president; Marilyn Leichtman, vice-president; Sandra Brown, secretary; Edward Whitney, treasurer. The outstanding events in the Society's calendar are their always successful candy sale, the spring picnic, and most important, the induction assembly, at which juniors and seniors having first honors in the third marking period are made members.

## "TWO ON THE AISLE"



The girls in the Ushers' Guild are noted for their charming, capable, and efficient manner. To become a member, one must have had first honors in the fifth marking period of either her sophomore or junior years. The girls usher at the Spring Play, the Spring Concert and the Senior Play in school as well as various functions at the Klein Memorial Auditorium. The greatest thrill that comes to these girls, however, is ushering at the biggest event of the year-graduation night. The Ushers' Guild is under the able guidance of Miss Margaret Heider. The leaders of Bassick's "glamour girls" are: Senior head usher, Shirley Semega; Senior assistant, Barbara Locke; Junior head usher, Debby Bogin; and Junior assistant head usher, Dilys Williams.

## USHERS' GUILD

First row: Ann Shultz, Jeanne Halpin, Lorna Westcott, Dilys Williams, Barbara Locke, Shirley Semega, Debby Bogin, Pat Boston, Natalie Turchanovich, Sandra Brown Second row: Judy Nelson, Julianne Owen, Audrey Tesch, Iris Gomberg, Jeanette Boscaini, Eleanor Emanuelson, Marilyn Leichtman, Marilyn Lindquist, Lois Almassy Patricia Shorrock, Pat Ennis, Jean Takacs, Rita Lundstrom, Jane Hathaway, Ann Reath Third row: Barbara Hanz, Nancy Samuelson, Katherine Baker, Sally Giroux, Rita Golden, Phyllis Csizmar, Frances Stankaitis, Susan Schwartz.


## MUSIC IN THE AIR

At any Broadway show the orchestra plays a big part; so it is at Bassick's shows and concerts. This talented group is directed by Mr . Stephen Gaspar, a versatile musician himself. Every sixth period you can hear the orchestra practicing its repertoire, from classics to pops. For the polished and finished product, you could have seen Bassick's musicians performing at the Senior Play, the Spring Concert, the Christmas Assembly, the Spring Play, and many other school events. This select group consists of the most talented musicians in the school, as well as some members who had always been music lovers and have at last gotten their chance to learn to play an instrument. They certainly do make beautiful music together!


## ORCHESTRA

Left to right: Pat Nelson, Jerri Mangines, Doris Christianson, Stanley Lessler, Robert Namian, Ted Stypinski, Joanne Bovick, Nancy Banks, Joan Matey, Joseph Sobotka, Mr. Stephen Gasper, Elizabeth Bray, Don Rice, Don Verzaro, Paul Pando, Fred Serlin, Mark Gross, Lafayette Caraway, Bill Peters, Jack Carpenter, Harvey Helm, Richard Hamlin, Louis Autori, Allan Aaron.



SCENIC ARTISTS
First row, left to right: Henry McLaughlin, Mr. Henry Walsh, William Gergely. Second row, left to right: Richard Gillespie, Albert Gratrix, Peter Cummings, John O'Connell.


## PAINT YOUR WAGON

Scenic artists is the title given to the artists who, under the excellent supervision of Mr. Henry Walsh, create the best sets humanly possible in a high school. The group collaborates with the Stage Crew to make every play a success. The sets are in themselves pieces of art and ingenuity. All work done on the sets is done by Mr. Walsh's select group of artists, some of whom have been in the Scenic Art group from two to four years.

Besides working on the sets during their regular art classes, the group also meets after school. Those who contribute to the sets have a right to feel proud to see their creations on stage, for what is a play if it has no background


## ORDER OF BASSICK SECRETARIES

Seated, left to right: Lucille Pucci, Jeanette Boscaini, Katherine Baker, Helen Hesse, Pat Boston.
Standing: Sandra Brown, Miss Elaine Cooper, Nancy Slivka, Barbara Locke, Marilyn Lindquist, Shirley Semega.

## DEAR SECRETARY

Good secretaries are really the "Sweethearts" of the business world: and so the members of O.B.S., Order of Bassick Secretaries, an honor society of secretarial seniors, used the Valentine motif for their initiation. Katherine Baker is president; Jeanette Boscaini is vice-president and program chairman; Lucille Pucci is secretary; Helen Hesse is treasurer. The other members are Sandra Brown, Nancy Slivka, Marilyn Lindquist, Pat Boston, Shirley Semega, and Barbara Locke. Miss Elaine Cooper is the advisor.

Leaders of Bridgeport business are invited to speak at the club meetings; visits are made to offices and banks to see "theory in practice"; parties in private homes and a trip to New York "just for fun" are some of the activities of this small, exclusive club of "Dear Secretaries."



## FRENCH CLUB

First row, left to right: Joan Bochino, Susan Bruno, Barbara Soloff, Sonja Klafstad, Sue Handscombe, Judy Sagarin, Deborah Bogin, Lorna Westcott, Carol Kerr, Dianne Creaturo, Marilyn Leichtman, Anna Buchholz, Barbara Buell, Dorothy Collier, Judy Nelson.
Second row: Ruth Hoffman, Myrna Lipscher, Sally Ann Strople, Alice Hartley, Marion Svihra, Marily Tomancak, Pat Hinckley, June August, Phyllis Reich, Iris Gomberg, Joseph Sholtes, Elinor Weissman, Gloria Lowy, Lorraine Almassy, Sally Goldman, Patti Ennis, Ann Kane, Vivian Marks, Lucille Woods, Sandra Booth.
Third row: Susan Schwartz, Sophie Hallas, Loretta Beason, Carol Bowns, Ina Shulkin, Nancy Bassing, Margaret Szabo, Roberta Namian. Gerald Breiner, Fred Dirga, Leslie Sloane, Rita Lundstrom, Diane Danko, Ellen Rosenfeld, Rita Altieri, Dorothy Mikita, Carol Ssizmar, Aphrodite Zoulamis.


## ARCH OF TRIUMPH

Le Cercle Francais is having a most enjoyable and profitable year under the direction of their brand new advisor, Miss Miriam Cohen. Although this is Miss Cohen's first year in Bassick, she has certainly maintained all the high qualities always connected with the French Club! This year's program included two trips to New York, where the students visited the United Nations Building and enjoyed shows in the city. Meetings of the French Club are held the third Thursday of each month under the direction of
its officers: Lorna Westcott, president; Judy Sagarin, sophomore vice-president; Debbie Bogin, junior vice-president; Carol Kerr, secretary; and Diane Creaturo, treasurer. At meetings the French students have enjoyed singing French songs and performing Gallic folk dances. Movies of "Gay Paree" were on the agenda, and Debbie Bogin, who traveled through France this past summer, talked about her trip. "Vive le Cercle Francais!"


## SPANISH CLUB

First row: Agnes Kiely, Dotte Brown, Elizabeth Davidson, Barbara Soloff, Marge Nelson, Iris Garcia, Harvey Paulin, Barbara Hanz, Jim Griglun, Lois Almassy, Theresa Del Mastro, Doris Christensen, Anne Hogan, Phyllis Reich, Iris Growberg.
Second row: Arthur Haut, Marie Nobile, Ann Foothorap, Sally Stroble, Starr Hosbach, Elsie Alberghini, Loretta Bedini, Peg Nerkowski, Nancy Hogan, Joe Fenick, Terry Powley, Jim Albrikes, Hartley Johnson, Nancy Gibbons, Antoinette Marbury, Gail Ford, Betty Baum, Catherine Apostol, Olive Schindler, Myrna Kiner, Joan Berkowitz, Jean Heanue, Mrs. Marguerite James.
Third row: William Stausfield, Jerry Levin, Arnold Fagan, Ronny Framson, Gertrude Moskowitz, Donna Anderson, Jean Benjamin, Joan Wells, Helen Kish, Mary Morris, Rita Golden, Corinne Nolan, Barbara Freeman, Marge Fenick, Viola Jordhamo, Aracelis Velasquez, Lynne Johnson, Jane Hathaway, Gloria Samovitz, Audrey Katz, Robert Maxwell, Howard Aaron, Tom Albrikes, Ralph Camacho.


## el CAMINO REAL

The purpose of the Spanish Club is to acquaint the members with customs, and traditions of our Spanish friends. This year a humorous play was presented for the Freshman and Sophomore classes; also movies, songs, games and speakers were on the agenda. The club meets monthly with its advisor, Senora Marguerite James. The busy officers are: president, Barbara Hanz; vice-president, Harvey Paulin; treasurer, Lois Almassy; secretary, Theresa Del

Mastro; and social directors, Iris Garcia and Jim Griglund.
In February forty members accompanied by Senora Marguerite James and Senora Lois Mayer visited New York and had a wonderful time. They visited the United Nations building, Radio City, and had dinner at Chateau Madrid.

This year's membership reached a new high with a total of about sixty-five members.

## TOMORROW THE WORLD



As though sitting in a classroom for at least twelve years were not enough, members of the Future Teachers of America hope to do it for the rest of their lives! Because they want to know more of college and their future vocation, this group gathers each month to learn about them. At these meetings they are entertained as well as helped by the interesting speakers from the teaching field. This group annually sponsors a tea for area students who are also interested in teaching. To raise money for the Yearbook picture and the annual graduation prize, the F.T.A. sponsors a food sale. The officers are: president, Barbara Hanz; vice-president, Frances Stankaitis; secretary, Jean Heanue; treasurer, Harvey Paulin; and co-directors of social activities, Doris Christenson and Donna Anderson.

## FUTURE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

First row, left to right: Joan Bochineo, Donna Anderson, Doris Christenson, Jean Heanue, Barbara Hanz, Frances Stankaitis, Harvey Paulin, Hermia Green, Mary Ellen Grant, Virginia Curci.
Second row: Rita Altieri, Anne Kane, Susan Pickett, Harvey Helm, Mona Faulkner, Dolores Coppolella, Katherine Turko.
Third row: Myrna Lipscher, Grace Shephard, Elsie Alberghini, Virginia Shultz, Margarie Nelson, Iris Gomberg, Olive Schindler, Ruth Hoffman, Lynne Johnson.


## THEY KNEW WHAT THEY WANTED

Florence Nightingales are up-and-coming at Bassick High School under the supervision of Miss Olive Donnelly, school nurse. At 2:05 p.m. on the first monday of each month you can see in room 118 a group called the Future Nurses of America. The purpose of the club is to acquaint its members with the life of a nurse and the effort it takes to be a good one. The officers are as follows: Susan Bruno, president; Theresa Goyette, vice-president; Suzanne Kirk, secretary; Marie Nobile, treasurer; and Gail Middlebrook, director of social activities.

There have been speakers from the Visiting Nurses Association, Saint Vincent's and Bridgeport Hospitals, University of Bridge-
 port, and the Armed Forces. The Future Nurses Club has been a most active group this year.

## FUTURE NURSES ASSOCIATION

First row, left to right: Mary Molloy, Pat Synnott, Adrienne Ritz, Lucille Woods, Phyllis Csizmar, Theresa Gayette, Susan Bruno, Suzanne Kirk, Gail Middlebrook, Marie Nobile, Grace Tvardzik, Veronica Kali, Germaine Paul, Gertrude Geverty.
Second row: Barbara Dudas, June Redin, Grayce Horvath, Jean De Siena, Marie Gianet, Diane Danko, Barbara Brown, Patricia Healy, Joan Stockman, Jean Takacs, Joan Eck, Judy Goldenson, Joan Hrivnock, Marjorie Volhenig, Eleanor Palmese, Barbara Vince. Third row: Valerie Gabler, Alice Riley, Patricia Carrol,

Barbara Csom, Joan Flanagan, Loretta Parks, Esther Rohaty, Mary McLaughlin, Judy Atkinson, Barbara Stevenson, Francoise Harriman, Carol Ziron, Patricia Kascak, Sally Minalga, Dolores Sobotka, Barbara Emanuelson.
Fourth row: Blanche Gonzalez, Patricia Doyle, Dolores Markus, Diane Proctor, Sally Slaughter, Rita Fahg, Ann Marie Goneau, Joan Waller, Shirley Martin, Nancy Samuelson, Lila Mae Joseph, Patricia Howard, Viola Jordhamo, Sandy Crosby, Joyce Csizmar, Florence Chasse.



## DRAMATIC CLUB

First row: Judy Sagarin, Vera Saul, Ann Hogan, Sonia Klafstad, Sue Hanscombe, Jeanne Halpin, George Buckhout, Dorothy Mason, Betty Lee Baum, Mary Beth Hoagland, Barbara Soloff, Phyllis Reich, Joan Barnes. Second row: Leigh Berglund, Ann Foothorap, Joan Berkowitz, Vivian Marks, Pat Ennis, Germane Paul, Rosemary Hebert, Dyllis Williams, Marilyn Tomansak, Valeria Gabler, June August, Anne Harris, Maureen O'Reilly, Lucille Woods, Jean Takacs, Diane Danko, Judy Goldenson, Alan Lovins, Miss Mae McNulty.

Third row: Nancy Marsh, Joan Wells, Joyce Dlukenski, Virginia Archambault, Nancy Bassing, Ann Shultz, Joan Fazekas, Roberta Namian, Virginia Wimly, Irwin Sifkawitz, Barbara Dudas, Frances Birch, Myrna Cooper, Phyllis Czismar, Ina Shulkin, Judy Nelson, Mary Lou Galian, Mona Faulkner.
Fourth row: Barbara Hanz, Gloria Samowitz, Floried Duby, Betty Erhardt, Loretta Benson, Peggy Sabo, Mary Jane Dickue, Rita Golden, Hilda Green, Susan Schwartz, Joan Bochino, Barbara McGrath.


## SHOWBOAT

Closely akin to the backstage madhouse before curtain time is the behind-the-scenes action at one of Bassick's plays. Aspiring thespians quake in their shoes, if they remembered to put them on, and wish they had never felt the itch for acting. But, as usual, under the superb direction of Miss Mae McNulty, the play is a scintillating success.

The Senior and Spring plays are only two of the many activities of the Dramatic Club. The club also sponsors an annual assembly and presents scenes and skits at their monthly meetings.

As well known for their acting ability as for their executive ability are the officers of the club: George Buckhout, president; Jeanne Halpin, vice-president; Dorothy Collier, secretary; and Betty Lee Baum, treasurer.


## STAGE CREW

First row: James Dowling, Clifford Jones, Captain, Elbert Fuller, Yoeman, John Takacs, Roy MacCormack.
Second row: Mr. Warren L. Brown, Skipper, Alton Niles, David Windblad, Ted Balga, Robert Metzger, Robert Ruge.

## ANGELS IN THE WINGS

A group of boys whose knowledge of projectors and stage training carry on the main functions of stage productions is known as Bassick's Stage Crew. Constant orders keep the crew on a high plane of speed and efficiency. Their main purpose is to move and set up any and all audio and visual equipment needed by the faculty for teaching.

The crew also equips and mans the stage in the auditorium for all assemblies, concerts, and plays throughout the school year. Mr. Warren Brown is the commander-in-chief of the Stage Crew, or, as the members affectionately call him, "Skipper." Undoubtedly you can imagine that such a hard working group must be dependable, and truly dependable they are.



## BAND

First row, left to right: Mr. Stephen Gaspar (Director), Harvey Paulin, Peter Venman, Pat Nelson, Elizabeth Bray, Richard Baltrusaitis, Bill Chantland, Richard Hamlin, Jerri Mangines, Elsie Hammond, Robert Sydiskis, Louis Autori. Second row: James Brennan, Don Rice, Joel Karlin, Arnold Fagan, Jack Carpenter, Mark Gross, Lafayette Caraway, Allan Aaron, Paul Pando.
Third row: Alden Barnes, Harvey Baker, Glen Canfield, Fred Serlin, Stanley Lessler, Frank Herrera, Harvey Helm, Seth Weingarten, Don Verzaro, Stephen August.


## STRIKE UP THE BAND

"The Green and White is out to fight!" Those words are familiar to every Bassickite, for they belong to a song made famous by the School band! The stalwart members of the Band attend every football game to accompany the Bassick rooters' school songs. Under the direction of Mr. Stephen Gaspar, these musicians have had another active musical year. Besides playing at football games the Band livens up the
school assemblies with their peppy marches, and is an invaluable asset at pep rallies. Among the band's many traditions, there has been a new trend-that of adding some jazz scores to their repertoire. Whether it's Dixieland or one of John Philip Sousa's rousing marches, the Band has played its way into the hearts of all Bassickites.

## CHOIR

First row, left to right: Ann Foothorap, Jeannette Subick, Mary Zamary, Lucille Woods, Barbara Burr, Gail Ford, Harvey Paulin, Miss Laing, David Hartman, Sidney Nelms, Audrey Tesch, Ann McNeill, Mary Lou Tyer, Joan Matey, Jean DiSiena.
Second row: Donald Verzaro, Pat Boston, Barbara Vince, Joan Barnes, Barbara Csom, Carol Ziron, Anne Hogan, Robert Schultz, Martin Petrahai, Raymond Johnson, Sonja Klafstadt, Janet Cummings, Nancy Hogan, Pat Kascak, Patricia Shorrack, Judith Berry, Nancy Bassing, Janet Hanock, Richard Wolter.
Third row: Joanne Bovick, Loretta Beason, Margaret Fenick, Margaret Kertesz, Diane Proctor, George Buckhout, Clarence Oppel, Garry Engler, Frances Stankaitis, Joan Sherman, Barbara Pettit, Barbara Pistey, Grace Shephard.
Fourth row: Gary Snyder, Paul Panda, William Siemko, Raymond Kollar, Robert Purciello, Peter Venman, Robert Eick, John Rapillo.


## LEND AN EAR

Sing out the news! The A Cappella Choir has completed another year of making beautiful music. Miss Grace Laing, the director of the choir, chooses her singers from the best voices in Bassick. The Choir has been in existence for nine years, and the strains which float through the halls every 5 B period grow sweeter each year. It's a busy year for the choir what with
school performances and the yearly competition in city and state choir festivals. Merry Christmas finds the robed singers caroling at the United Church in addition to the regular program of Noel music that they present at the holiday assembly. Joan Matey and Nancy Bassing spend many hours at the piano while the choir practices.
is is is

## WATCH ON THE RHINE



The German Club, through its activities and functions, helps to arouse interest in German culture and makes German a more interesting language to study.

Members, who know the club as Das Deutsches Hous, take part in German quizzes, games, and hear lectures based on German themes. The club's social agenda lists a Christmas party and a picnic in the spring.

A German newspaper, entitled, Die Deutsche Stimme, is published three times yearly to keep the members up on the current news. Marion Schwickert serves as editor of this newspaper.

The officers of the German Club are: Alan Lovins, House Vater; Carol Ziron, treasurer; and Sylvia Young, secretary. Mrs. Roberts is the advisor.

GERMAN CLUB
First row, left to right: Marietta Schwickert, Sylvia Young, Alan Lovins, Carol Ziron.
Second row: Robert Kline, Milton Wilkes, Victor Knull, Frank Wlossuk.


## CAESAR AND CLEOPATRA

The scene is set in old Rome; the director is Miss Nonie Brennan. The stars are its president, Herman Lebovics; vice president, Catherine Apostol; secretary, Marilyn Leichtman; and treasurer, Betty Lee Baum. The supporting players are the struggling students of Latin three and four. These "dramatis personae" make up the Junior Classical League, which is associated with the American Classical League, a national organization.

Besides its various social activities, the club takes a strong interest in various worthwhile charities. At Christmas, this year, the group contributed a substantial sum to the Korean Relief Fund. The members all help to collect contributions from the home rooms when there is a collection going on. Members aid many needy groups and are proud of $i t$, too!

## JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE

First row, left to right: Patricia Ennis, Robert Namian, Rodger Lerner, Catherine Apostol, Herman Lebovics, Betty Lee Baum, Marilyn Leichtman, Arthur Aylott, Robert Eichinger, Joan Flanagan.
Second row: Martin Levin, Mark Gross, Robert Bernstein, Ina Shulkin, Julianne Owen, Barbara Emanuelson, Audrey Tesch, Daniel Lowry, Valarie Gabler, Carat Shephard, Susan Pickett, Heather Campbell, Roland Caserta, Paul Pando, Blake Patterson, Miss Nonie Brennan.
Third row: Betty Erhardt, Ann Reath, Joyce Gordon, Frances Stankaitis, Susan Schwartz, Dianne Creaturo.



## VOICE BUSINESS STAFF

First row, left to right: Kathryn Molloy, Roland Caserta, Mr. Emanuel Kleinwald, Ronald Framson, Sonja Ek.
Second row, left to right: Barbara Freedman, Cyrele Levy, Seth Weingarten, Jane Moore, Sheila Brown.


## ONE FOR THE MONEY

The Business Staff of Bassick High School manages both the Yearbook and the school newspaper, which comes out five times a year. Together with Mr. Emanuel Kleinwald, faculty advisor, the staff seeks advertisements for the paper, directs circulation, and obtains subscriptions and orders. These rugged sophomores, juniors and seniors also make sure that each of the advertisers gets a copy of the paper as it comes off the press. These duties are extremely interesting and, doubtless, will prove beneficial to the Business Staff members in their future lives.

The Business Staff is carefully chosen by Mr. Kleinwald each fall; and, although usually very small in number, the staff always succeeds in giving the students of Bassick an inexpensive, yet interesting and popular, school paper and yearbook.


## YEARBOOK STAFF

First row, left to right: John Takacs, Milton Wilkes, William Gergely, Herman Lebovics, David Merrill, Joseph Seliga.
Second row, left to right: Frances Stankaitis, Ina Shulkin, Nancy Kent, Frances Birch, Marilyn Leichtman, Jennie Bien, Eileen Harkins, Marie Nobile, Ann Shultz.
Third row, left to right: Mr. Richard Mayer, Shirley Sone, Theresa Del Mastro, Barbara Rowland, Charlene Stroll, Nancy Hogan, Anne Marie Hogan, Susan Handscombe, Barbara Kasparek, Joan Barnes, Joyce Gordon, Jeannette McEachern, Phyllis Csizmar, Mr. Henry Walsh.
Fourth row, left to right: Jean Takacs, Patricia Ennis, Diane Danko, Joyce Soldi, Arthur Schipul, Henry McLaughlin, Joseph Fenick, Ann Douglas, Doris Tryon, Ruthsue Weingarten, Iris Gomberg, Lois Almassy.

## THE PLAYBILL

The playbill needs no introduction, for here it is, right in your hands. The conscientious staffs of the yearbook, both art and literary, have been the "Angels" of this production. Broadway angels invest money in plays, but these Bassick angels invest their time and energy in readying the playbill for publication. Any time this year you might have seen this production taking place after school in rooms 12 and 306. The art staff would be busy with the layout of the playbill, the candid photos, spot drawings, and dioramas for the division pages, which go to make it up. The literary staff would be sorting senior pictures, writing up school activities and originating "grinds." Produced by faculty advisors Mr. Henry Walsh of the Art Staff and Mr. Richard A. Mayer of the Literary Staff, the production is directed by Editor-in-chief Marilyn Leichtman and the playbill staff.



## LIBRARY SQUAD

First row: Ellyn Brown, Eileen Kreutz, Jean Takacs, Patti Ennis, Dr. Nathalie Lamb, Helen Rogers, Sandra Brown, Frances Stankaitis, Etheldya Morris, Diane Turner. Second row: Klara Orosz, Barbara Brown, Elsie Alberghine, Lola Munson, Jeannette Boscaini, Barbara Holda, Loretta Bedine, Florence Wakely, Ann Akoury, Norma Sorrell, Judy Goldenson, Eileen Farrell.
Third row: Rita Altieri, Lillie Rogers, Mary Morris, Ann Oreski, Judy Tanase.


## BELL, BOOK AND CANDLE

Perhaps one of the most active organizations at Bassick is the Library Squad. Members of this group under the able direction of Dr. Nathalie Lamb are expected to learn and successfully carry out the varied duties of student library assistants. Although this group was first formed to be of service to the school, it now also enjoys a busy social life. Included in this
year's program were the Christmas Faculty Tea, Induction Tea for the new members, food sale, Senior Banquet, and picnic. Because this group has been of such service to the school and because it has been so enjoyable for the members, the Library Squad will continue to be one of the most important organizations at Bassick for many years to come.

## I3

## VOICE LITERARY STAFF



First row, left to right: Bob Aaronson, Jerri Margines, Ina Shulkin, Herman Lebovics, Rita Golden, Leigh Berglund.
Second row: Judy Nelson, Nancy Samuelson, Betty Lee Baum, Jeanne Halpin, Marilyn
Leichtman, Helen Hesse, Debbie Bogin, Susan Schwartz.


## GOOD NEWS

The Bassick production of the play, "Good News" is the "Voice" Literary Staff, which heralds the news of the school. "Did you get the cuts?" "Are the galleys corrected?" "The paper goes to bed at four o'clock you know." It may sound like strange dialogue, but that's what is known as standard newspaper jargon.

The "Voice" Literary Staff is selected from the best writers of the Journalism Club by Miss Bar-
bara Ciglar, the paper's advisor. The member of the staff who does the most for the paper is chosen as Editor-in-chief. This year's star of "Good News" is Herman Lebovics. Herman and the staff work diligently; writing, correcting, and re-writing the copy for the next issue of the "Voice." The paper comes out five times a year and Bassick hears the "Good News."


## I AM A CAMERA

One of the newest and brightest stars on the Bassick scene is the Photography Club, sponsored by Mr. Harry Kaplan. On Tuesday nights in Room 1 all the shutterbugs meet to exchange the latest ideas in photography and display the latest candids of events both in and out of Bassick. The purpose of this organization is to help its members learn the tricks of the trade: getting good subjects for shots, posing the subjects, obtaining the most striking results and contrasts, and learning the various arts of developing, shading, and enlarging their film.

Joe Fenick, famous around school for his photography, is the president of the Photography Club; Orin Levinson, vice-president; secretary, Joan Bochino; assistant, Carol Gross; treasurer, Josephine Patren; and director of social activities, Barbara McGrath.

## PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

First row, left to right: Barbara Corso, Georgin Ponlas, Josephine Patren, Joan Bochino, Orin Levenson, Joseph Fenick, Arthur Shipul, Barbara McGrath, Carole Grass, Judy Tanese.
Second row: Robert Johnston, Charlotte Zwerdling, Marianne Rutkin, Robert Metzger, Robert Purciello, John Shea, Esther Knutson, Carol Buckley, Carole Behringer, Mr. Kaplan.
Third row: Alfred Richards, George Fedor, Bert Bodnar, Tony Almassy, Gary Widlitz, Joe Shultes, Ronnie Squibbs, Daug Pawula, Ed Carrol, Dan McCarthy.


THE KING AND I

At this writing the Bassick Chess Team has compiled a record of five wins, and no losses. The team beat the chessmen from Stamford, Darien, Central, and Norwalk, twice. They have good prospects for winning the championship again this year.

The members of the chess team are: John Halsy, Stan Lessler, Joel Karlin, and Alan Lovins.

Since 1935 the Chess Team has compiled a record of 153 wins, 27 ties, and 41 losses; for a $75 \%$ winning record.

The Bassick Chess Club offers Bassick students an organization
 to play one of man's most fascinating games.

CHESS CLUB
First row, left to right: Theresa Auger, Lucille Pucci, Catherine Apostol, Deborah Bogin, Judith Nelson, William Bakosi, Judith Kurowski, Susan Schwartz, Rita Golden, Mary Jane O'Donnell.
Second row, left to right: Mr. Albert Fleischer, Joel Karlin, Robert Aronson, Gary Widlitz, Alan Lovins, Stanley Lessler, John Halsey, William Thielen, Howard Davidson.




## SING OUT THE NEWS

## CHORUS

Our Chorus has given us many fine performances in our years at Bassick; one of the best is the Spring Concert. The Chorus also sings at many of our assemblies and practices daily for these events. The group meets in the auditorium under the direction of Miss Grace Laing, music supervisor. Members range from enthusiastic freshman to anxious seniors, totaling one
hundred and seventy-five.
The music lent by the Chorus to the Christmas Assemblies helps to make them memorable. The Bassick Chorus started many years ago, and we hope it will continue many more to turn out the music that we love to hear. You can see, now the main goal of the Chorus is enjoyment.


## The Male

$$
A \quad N \quad N
$$



Animal


FOOTBALL TEAM
First row,: Ronald Devan, Paul Drotch, Robert Beslove, Gerry MacDougall, Arthur Robertson, Rudy Poklemba, Edward Kinsella, Clarence Oppel, Robert Mark, George Vasas, Alan Kane.
Second row: Mr. Herbert Harrington, Pete Venman, Andrew Fabry, Frank Herrara, George Boland, Kenneth Berger, Robert Erickson, Fred Trede, Bob Trovarelli, Noel Cagle, Pete Vincze, James Cantwell.
Third row: Mr. Mitchell Kobus, Leo Emond, David Hartman, Ricardo Youngblood, Vincent Pansa, Fred Trickey, John Moore, John Moriarty, Mike Herrara, Bob Gerricks, Mr. Harry Lyon.

RAZZLE-DAZZLE

Bassick's young Football Squad, during the past year has obtained for themselves a record which, considering the factors of injury and inexperience, has shown steady improvement. Under the expert coaching of Mr. Herbert Harrington, head coach and Mr. Michael Kobus, assistant coach, the squad has had a hard fighting record.

Bassick's return of their injured captain, Rudy Poklemba on Thanksgiving Day, led them to
victory over their traditional rival Fairfield by an overwhelming score of 38 to 6 . With captain Rudy Poklemba and co-captain Art Robertson as their leaders, the team was undoubtedly inspired. As a whole, Bassick definitely has shown a marked improvement. All of us hope that these boys on the football squad keep up the good work and bring in those winning points!


Front row, left to right: James Kirk, Carlo Olimpieri, Andrew Pippa, Larry Gress,
Capt., Edward Kinsella, John Jones, William Gacso.
James Thompson, Michael O'Donnell, Gerald McDougall, Richard Mitchell.
Back row, left to right: Mr. Harvey Lyon, Coach, Edwin Balla, Robert Schultz,
Ronald Framson, Mgr.

## MAN AND SUPERMAN

Good sportsmanship and fighting spirit were displayed as our basketball team's basic qualities during the past season. The team got off to a good start by conquering the Alumni 47-55. A slump followed this victory, however, due in part to misfortune that took several of the regular players out of action. During the rest of the season, Bassick succeeded in placing the Greenwich, Central, and Stamford games in the "win"
column. All the games were worthy of the fine support that the students showed throughout the season. Ed Balla, outstanding forward, led the team as highscorer. Mr. Harry Lyons, coach of the team, Ronny Framson, the team's manager, and Larry Gress, captain of the team, deserve hearty applause for the fine work that they have done with the team this year.

SCORES
Alumni
Stratford
Danbury
Harding
Roger Ludlowe
Rtamford
Stament
Greenwich
Stratford

| 47 | Bassick |
| :--- | :--- |
| 71 | Bassick |
| 75 | Bassick |
| 75 | Bassick |
| 61 | Bassick |
| 62 | Bassick |
| 41 | Bassick |
| 71 | Bassick |


| 55 | won | Central | 66 | Bassick | 68 | won |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 44 |  | Norwalk | 56 | Bassick | 36 |  |
| 40 |  | Harding | 70 | Bassick | 51 |  |
| 48 |  | Norwalk | 74 | Bassick | 48 |  |
| 46 |  | Stamford | 56 | Bassick | 60 | won |
| 42 |  | Roger Ludlowe | 54 | Bassick | 41 |  |
| 43 | won | Greenwich | 70 | Bassick | 46 |  |
| 44 |  |  |  |  |  |  |




## TENNIS TEAM

First row, left to right: Gary Snyder, Blake Patterson, Lester Zukerman, Arnold Fagan, Roland Caserta.
Second row, left to right: James Faulkner, Peter Braun, James Baird, Howard Aaron, Glenn Canfield, Mr. Harry Lyon.

## MIDSUMMER



The Bassick High Tennis Team of 1952 turned in the usual fine record of Bassick teams of the past. The team won sixteen matches in regular interscholastic competition and lost one. In addition the team was host at the annual Fairfield County Tennis Tournament which it won by a close margin over a powerful team from Greenwich High. Team captain Les Zuckerman placed first in the number one singles position while Jim Faulkner won the number two singles by a wide margin. It was the sterling play of Faulkner which pushed the team to victory. Aaron and Fagan took second place in the doubles.

Mr. Charles Carr did his usual great job of coaching the team while Jim Baird acted as manager.


## BASEBALL TEAM

First row, left to right: James Petro, Monty Mate, William Brown, Kevin Tobin, Richard McKnight, Kenneth Berger, Michael Lengel.
Second row, left to right: Rudy Poklemba, Luke Zinski, Bruce Randall, Gerald McDougall, Paul Drotch, John Ray.
Third row, left to right: Mr. Harry Lyon, Harold Rappaport, Norman Chacho, Robert Beslove, Peter Cummings, Mr. Herbert Harrington.

## SEASON IN THE SUN

Coached by versatile Mr. Herbert Harrington the baseball team of " 52 " showed some fine hitting and all around good ball playing. The hard hitting of Rudy Poklemba, the team's outstanding shortstop, and Captain Luke Zinsky spurred the boys on to beat Central twice, with a close score of $9-8$ in the first game and a larger margin of $8-4$ in the second. The ability of catcher Kenny Berger and pitchers Mike Lengel and Dick Mitchell gave added support. Senior Richie McKnight showed some good hitting in the Danbury game, but Danbury had the edge of $12-11$ at the end of the contest. Another thriller in which the team displayed its skill was the victory over Fairfield with a $5-4$ score. A fighting spirit and the best of sportsmanship were a part of every game.


## SCORES

Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
Bassick
2
9
2
5
4
9
6
8
2
11
4
4
$\checkmark$
Stratford
Central
Milford
Fairfield
Harding
Norwalk
Milford
Central
Harding
Danbury
Stratford
Fairfield


## BATON TWIRLERS

Alice Riley, Judy Moody, Phyllis Csizmar, Jean Yamnickey, Ann Douglas, Barbara McGrath, Grace Tvarzsik, Dilys Williams, Eleanor Emanuelson.

## ON YOUR TOES

Flashing batons whiz through the air as the high-stepping majorettes appear on the field in their glimmering satin uniforms of green and white. This is a regular sight at Bassick football games during half-time. The girls not only perform on the football field, but also they open the pep assemblies with their baton tricks.

The Baton Twirlers can be found in the gymnasium any morning before school working on their intricate routines. The Twirling Squad is three years old, and despite its relatively young age is one of the most impressive groups in the school. Mrs. Myrtle Humphreys, girls' gym teacher, has spent much of her valuable time in advising the girls' activities and teaching them some new tricks. The football field may be cold, but out there the girls have their pep to keep them warm.



## CHEERLEADERS

Jacqueline Snetsinger
Betty Carbone Judith Berry Sandra Crosby Elberta Moreland Jacqueline DeShon

Jean Zaccarea
Marie Nobile
Mona Faulkner
Joyce Sayball


## AS THOUSANDS CHEER

They've got the style, and they've got the pep-they're the "spirit" behind both the football and basketball games at Bassick High. These lively cheerleaders, under the guidance of Mrs. Myrtle Humphreys, have put all their energy and vitality into boosting our athletes to victory. On the football field and the basketball court you'll find them leading the school songs and cheers with all the pep and spirit that's needed to insure a winning game. Even in the assembly hall they help inspire a spirit that makes Bassick a school of which one may be proud. These peppy cheerleaders are not merely an added attraction in sports, but have become a necessity; and no game is complete without them. They've done a good job this year, and they'll be back next year for a command performance.

## FOLLOW THE GIRLS

Under the direction of Mrs. Myrtle Humphreys and the leadership of President Iris Garcia, the Girls' Athletic Leaders' Association, better known as the G.A.L.A., has completed another successful year.

To be a member of this club a girl must earn honors in Gym or 50 points in the interclass sports which take place after school. Having achieved this goal, the candidate must "suffer" through initiation day before she becomes a full-fledged member of the G.A.L.A. In addition to making available a wonderful sports program for girls, the G.A.L.A. sponsors several big events such as All Girls' Day, Play Days, and the all-important Sports Night. On Sports Night the girls play basketball against the members of the Boys' Varsity-the gentlemen under a slight handicap of wearing boxing gloves.

Truly, a girl who has had the opportunity of belonging to the
 G.A.L.A. will have many pleasant memories to which she may always look back.

## G.A.L.A.

First row, left to right: Josephine Patren, Jeanette McEachern, Ann Reath, Susan Handscombe, Barbara Hurvul, Iris Garcia, Emmy Rutzen, Barbara Hanz, Theresa DelMastro, Mary Patalah, Rita Golden.
Second row: Mrs. Humphreys, Elberta Moreland, Marie Nobile, Ann Fiore, Rita Lundstrom, Ann Foothorap, Sylvia Young, Shirley Martin, Jacqueline Snetsinger, Barbara Dudas, Sidney Nelms, Nancy Bassing, Sandra Crosby.
Third row: Jean DeSienna, Sheila Brown, Theresa Goyette, Judith Russo, Joan Barnes, Judith Moody, Joan Bridges, Ruth MacCormack, Carol Kerr, Diane Guenster, Sidney Kerr, Betty Lee Baum, Rosemary Hebert.
Fourth row: Shirley Lucas, Janet Cummings, Nancy Banks, Doris Christenson, Sonja Klafstad, Esther Rohaty, Patricia Schmidt, Dorothy Collier, Anne Hogan, Susan Bruno, Agnes Kiley.



## SONS $0^{\prime}$ FUN

Thanks to the Athletic Delegates chosen from each homeroom, a full sports schedule was demanded by the students, and an active interest was aroused in the school's teams. The delegates had a tremendous job on their hands and they showed that they could tackle it successfully. One of the main tasks that this group accomplished was the selling of booster tickets to erase the athletic debt. The important idea behind the organization of the Athletic Delegates, which was brought together only one year ago, is to further interest in athletics at Bassick. An important phase of that work is to encourage maximum attendance at games.

These delegates meet monthly with Mr. Charles Neary and officers: president, Edward Kinsella; vice-president, Mary Ellen Kirk; treasurer, Michael Lengel; and secretary, Nancy Hogan.

## ATHLETIC DELEGATES

Seated, left to right: Louis Macisco, Janet Tromberly, Pat Jones, Sandra Crosby, Shirley Martin, Johanna Olayas, Nancy Hogan, Phyllis Reich, Nancy Harvey, Carol Hoyt, Robert Sanvald.
First row: Don Eckert, Don Gaines, Jack Carpenter, Joseph Scharf, Noel Edwards, Richard Eising, Robert Mark, Robert Blackman, Robert Trovarelli, Arnold Fayan, Robert Conklin, Mr. Charles Neary.
Second row: Joseph Pisanelli, Fred Pitt, Bert Schwartz, Bruce Randall, Roger Lerner, Edward Kinsella, Bruce Pellitier, John Moriarty, Ralph DeMattio, Douglas Namian.


## INDEX

A Capella Choir ..... 91
Administration ..... 6-7
Athletic Delegates ..... 111
Band ..... 90
Baseball Team ..... 107
Basketball Team ..... 105
Baton Twirlers ..... 108
Cheering Squad ..... 109
Chess Club ..... 99
Combined Chorus ..... 101
Dedication ..... 5
Department Heads ..... 8-9
Dramatic Club ..... 88
Faculty ..... 8-9
Football Team ..... 104
Freshman Class ..... 73
Future Nurses of America ..... 87
Future Teachers of America ..... 86
German Club ..... 92
Girls' Athletic Leaders' Association ..... 110
Graduates ..... 14-48
Graduates without pictures ..... 48
Junior Class ..... 68-69
Junior Class Officers ..... 66
Junior Classical League ..... 93
Junior Mothers' Tea ..... 67
Le Cercle Francais ..... 84
Library Squad ..... 96
National Honor Society ..... 79
Orchestra ..... 81
Order of Bassick Secretaries ..... 83
Photography Club ..... 98
Reunion Pact ..... 61
Scenic Artists ..... 82
Scholarship-Leadership ..... 76
Senior Characteristics ..... 56-57
Senior Class History ..... 50
Senior Delegates ..... 12
Senior Hymn ..... 53
Senior Mothers' Tea ..... 52
Senior Class Officers ..... 13
Senior Class Play ..... 60
Senior Prophecy ..... 54-55
Senior Class Will ..... 58-59
Snapshots ..... 49-51-100
Sophomore Class ..... 70-71
Sophomore Class Officers ..... 72
Spanish Club ..... 85
Stage Crew ..... 89
Student Council ..... 77
Tennis Team ..... 106
U. S. History Debating Club ..... 78
Ushers' Guild ..... 80
Voice Business Staff ..... 94
Voice Literary Staff ..... 97
West Point Trip ..... 62-63
Yearbook Staff ..... 4
Yearbook Staff Picture ..... 95
"Bassick Goes Broadway" created by Henry McLaughlin.
"Top Bananas" created by Nancy Kent.
"New Faces" created by William Gergely.
"Guys and Dolls" created by Susan Handscombe.
"Male Animal" created by Joseph Seliga.
Division page photography by Joseph Fenick


[^0]:    Ushers' Guild
    Yearbook Staff
    Dramatic Club
    Aeronautics Club
    Newtonians
    Junior Mothers' Tea
    All Girls' Day
    Baton Twirler
    Future Nurses Club Rep.
    Debating Club

