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Bridgeport, Connecticut


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In Memoriam

## MISS ELAINE COOPER

1900-1954

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SENIORS

CLASS HYMN 1955








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## CLASS HISTORY

'Twas a short time ago
We entered Bassick High Filled with awe and wonder How the years flew by!

As Sophomores in assembly We organized our class.
Then we held the "Ice Breaker" For every lad and lass.

We can't forget the huge success That was our Sophomore Tea. We couldn't wait for the next year When Juniors we would be.

Indeed the next September Brightly we returned All set to fill our eager minds With knowledge to be learned.

Then came the day for our class rings When proudly we were measured,
Those gleaming bands of black and gold
Forever would be treasured.
West Point bound were we Early in the spring -
The cadets, the mountain lodge, What mem'ries they bring!

The traditional Thanksgiving game, The Bassick-Fairfield Hop, Affairs of friendly rivalry Placed Bassick at the top.

With a vow to study hard
In our last year of strife, Words like "college board exams" Crept into our young life.

The Senior Play was wonderful,
The acting cast was great
In "Meet Me in St. Louis";
This fact you can't debate.
Measurements were taken One day for gowns and caps. Every senior planned to don Those all-important wraps.

In Maytime came the Prom
The magic word was spoken;
The evening was enchanted
And left a spell unbroken.
June third of the year
Our books were put away
With varied emotions On Seniors' Class Day.

In our caps and gowns On graduation night Receiving our diplomas T'was a mem'rable sight!

Patricia Synott
Anna Kaku

## SENIOR DELEGATES



First row, 1. to r.: Aracelis Velasquez, Shirley Witkiewicz, Sandra Booth, Ellyn Brown, Judy Sagarin, Virginia Shultz, Iva Cagle, Victoria DiDio, Virginia Curci.
Second row, 1. to r.: Patrine Dabbs, Dennis Bileca, Frank Wlassak, Stanley Lessler, Vera Ann Saul, Philip Swaim, Bruce Pelletier, Thomas Barnard, Gerald Gajnos, Mrs. Marguerite James.


Questions, such as, "When must the Senior class dues be paid?" "What is the date of the Senior Prom?" and, "How much are the tickets for the Senior Play?" are answered by the Senior Delegates.

There are two Senior Delegates elected from each senior home room. These delegates, a boy and a girl, meet with Mrs. Marguerite James, the senior class advisor, and the class officers to decide on matters concerning the senior class.

Some of the duties of this group are: collecting class dues, planning class trips, counting votes during the class elections, and informing senior home rooms of everything that occurs at the delegates' meetings.

The seniors not only expect the senior delegates to keep them informed as to what is happening in Bassick, but they also expect these delegates to give thoughtful consideration to the suggestions of the senior home rooms.

Our thanks go to the Senior Delegates and Mrs. James for helping to make this Senior year a memorable one.

Mrs. Marguerite James
Class Advisor

## SENIOR OFFICERS




Michael Herrera President


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Girls' Chorus
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Varsity Basketball
Interclass Basketball



BARBARA BETHEA
"Barb"

2019 Park Avenue
Chorus
Christmas Assembly
All Girls' Day
Spring Concert
Sr. Mothers' Tea


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All Girls' Day

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"B. J."
658 Dewey Street
Interclass Basketball

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"Leenie"
R. F. D. \# 2, Stepney

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Photography Club
U. S. History Debating Club

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Yearbook Staff
H. R. Treasurer
H. R. Secretary
G. A. L. A.

Le Cercle Francais
Sr. Mothers' Tea
Green and White Revue
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GERALD ALLEN BREINER "Jerry"

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Chemistry Research
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Athletic Delegate
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All Girls' Day
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Interclass Sports

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O. B. S.

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H. R. Secretary

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All Girls' Day
Girls' Chorus
Christmas Assembly
L. A. W.
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Sr. Mothers' Tea

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Band
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German Club
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Chorus
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Green and White Revue
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Choir
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All Girls' Day
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert
Play Day
Sports Night

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H. R. Secretary Chorus
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G. A. L. A.

Safety Club
Sr. Mothers' Tea

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Safety Club
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Safety Club
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All Girls' Day
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Orchestra
Choir
Varsity Football
J. V. Basketball

Varsity Basketball
Tennis Team
Athletic Delegate




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L. A. W.

Safety Club
Dramatic Club

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L. A. W.

Make-up Squad
Sr. Mothers' Tea

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O. B. S.
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Sr. Mothers' Tea
Chorus



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## "Millie"

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Soph. Mothers' Tea
Safety Club

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L. A. W.

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Spanish Club
Photography Club
Athletic Delegate
Interclass Basketball
Golf Team
U. S. History Debating Club



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"Vicky"
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Sr. Class Vice-President Scholarship-Leadership Ushers' Guild F. T. A.

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Chemistry Research
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> "Ginny"

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L. A. W.

Safety Club

SANDRA EARLY DOLAN
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Spring Concert
F. N. A.

Christmas Assembly
Safety Club


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G. A. L. A.

Green and White Revue
Acrobatics
All Girls' Day
Sports Night
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F. N. A.
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F. N. A.
G. A. L. A.
O. B. S.

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"Marge"
72 Park Terrace
Jr. Red Cross Delegate Christmas Assembly Chorus

EILEEN THERESA
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229 Olive Street
Library Squad
Athletic Delegate
L. A. W.
L. A. W.

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MONA MARGARET
FAULKNER
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Treasurer, F. T. A.
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G. A. L. A.

Sr. Mothers' Tea
Jr. Mothers' Tea
Interclass Sports
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"Johnny"
65 Scofield Avenue
Class Delegate
Aeronautics Club



MERLE IRENE FISK "Merle"
27 Prospect Street
L. A. W.
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Safety Club
Chorus
Dramatic Club
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Safety Club
Green and White Revue
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Chess Club



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L. A. W.

Athletic Delegate
O. B. S.

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Sr. Mothers' Tea
Interclass Sports

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Sr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day
Make-up Squad
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H. R. Secretary


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Newtonians
H. R. Delegate

Chemistry Research
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Yearbook Art Staff
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Sr. Mothers' Tea
F. T. A.

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Jr. H. R. Treasurer
Athletic Delegate
Athletic Advisory Board
All Girls' Day
Sports' Night
Safety Club
Sr. Mothers' Tea
Class Day Committee
Yearbook Staff


GEORGE SAMUAL HAYDU
"Hot Rod"
322 Maplewood Avenue

## German Club

Safety Club
Chemistry Research Club
Interclass Basketball


## MICHAEL LUCAS HERRERA "Mike"

## 209 Pine Street

Soph. Co-Director of Social

## Activities

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Sr. Class President
Co-Captain Football Team
J. V. Football Team Captain

Choir
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Chess Club
Interclass Basketball
Football Manager

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J. V. Football

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G. A. L. A.
H. R. Delegate

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Jr. Mothers' Tea
Sr. Mothers' Tea
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All Girls' Days
Sports Night
Scholarship-Leadership

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Chorus
Stamp Club
O. B. S.

Sr. Mothers' Tea

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"Blondie"
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Chorus
F. T. A.

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Spanish Club
H. R. President

Christmas Assembly
Green and White Revue



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L. A. W

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G. A. L. A.

Chorus
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VIOLA JANET JORDHAMO

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Sr. Mothers' Tea
Safety Club
F. N. A.

Spanish Club
F. T. A.

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200 Poplar Street
Cheerleader
Ushers' Guild
Jr. Class Delegate
H. R. Vice-President
G. A. L. A.

Interclass Sports
All Girls' Day

RUSSELL PHILIP JURGENS
"Russ'

## 7 Maple Street, Trumbull

Bassick Student League

JAMES PATRICK KACSMARIK

## "Kaz"

27 Laurel Avenue
Varsity Basketball

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Sr. Mothers' Tea
Dramatic Club
Chorus
Green and White Revue
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"Candy'
20 Organ Street
Choir
G. A. L. A.

Le Cercle Francais
U. S. History Debating Club
F. T. A.

Chorus
Green and White Revue
Spring Concert

LARISA SUZANNE KAPPEL

## "Larisa"

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Athletic Delegate
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Soph. Mothers' Tea




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## "Bobby"

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All Girls' Day
Red Cross Delegate

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"Fran"
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Sr. H. R. Treasurer
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Sr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert

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All Girls' Day
Jr. Mothers' Tea
Chorus
Sports Night
D. A. R. Award

Christmas Assembly
Athletic Advisory Board
Green and White Revue
Soph. Mothers' Tea

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"Clem"
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## Chorus

Choir
H. R. Vice-President


## DOROTHY ELLEN LEAF

"Dot"
130 Hillside Avenue
Chorus
Spring Concert
Christmas Assembly
All Girls' Day
L. A. W.
O. B. S.

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"Millie"
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L. A. W.
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O. B. S.

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Bassick Voice
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Dramatic Club
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L. A. W.

Jr. Fashion Show
O. B. S.

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Sr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day

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Chorus
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Chemistry Research Club
Newtonians
Chess Club
Jr. Mothers' Tea

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MacVITTIE
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Spanish Club
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Sr. Mothers' Tea
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"Mac"

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Safety Club
Chorus
F. N. A.

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Sr . Mothers' Tea
F. N. A.

Senior Play


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"Mar"

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L. A. W.

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Jr. Mothers' Tea
Sr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day
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L. A. W.

Chorus
Christmas Assembly

BEVERLY LOUISA OSTMAN
"Bev"
1393 State Street
Choir
Christmas Assembly
L. A. W.

Soph. Mothers' Tea
Sr. Mothers' Tea
Spring Concert
All Girls' Day

MARY-ANN MADALYN
PARKER
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F. N. A.
F. T. A.

All Girls' Day
Stamp Club
Library Squad




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PELLETIER
"Gunner"
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Athletic Delegate

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446 Columbia Street
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Stamp and Coin Club
Journalism Club

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"Millie"
155 Laurel Place
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Safety Club
Athletic Delegate
H. R. Secretary
L. A. W.

Mothers' Teas
All Girls' Day
F. N. A.
F. T. A.

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"Link"
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Boys' Chorus

ERNEST PLASA
"Nesti"
196 Seeley Street
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"Hanch"
R. F. D. \#1, Cross Hill Road, Monroe

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Ushers' Guild



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L. A. W.

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Sr. Mothers' Tea
Make-up Squad
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H. R. Treasurer H. R. Secretary All Girls' Day
O. B. S.

Chorus

## JOAN ELEANOR PRUETT

## "Joanie"

268 Maplewood Avenue
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Varsity Baseball
Varsity Baseball
Photography Club
H. R. Treasurer

Aeronautics Club
Newtonians

## GRACE JUNE REDIN

## "June"

939 Wordin Avenue

## F. N. A.

Interclass Sports
All Girls' Day
Dramatic Club
Soph. Mothers' Tea
Jr. Mothers' Tea
Sr. Mothers' Tea

DAVID MERLE REED


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Choir
Spring Play
Green and White Revue
Jr. Mothers' Tea
Sr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day
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Newtonians
Chess Club

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Safety Club



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All Girls' Day
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Red Cross Delegate


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" $A$ "
143 Hansen Avenue
F. N. A.

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Bassick Voice Business Staff Sr. Mothers' Tea
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GEORGE ANTHONY ROBERTS
"Howdy Doody"
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"Nance"

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Yearbook Staff
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Spring Concert
Mothers' Teas
G. A. L. A.

Interclass Sports
All Girls' Day

## LILLIE ENA ROGERS "Lil"

85 Black Rock Avenue Band
Orchestra
Green and White Revue Chorus
All Girls' Day
Library Squad
Christmas Assembly
Spring Concert
Safety Club
Sr. Mothers' Tea

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1164 Brooklawn Avenue
G. A. L. A.
L. A. W.

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Sr. Mothers' Tea
Make-up Squad

## ELLEN MARSH

 ROSENFELD"Rosey'
Stanley Road, Stepney
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Interclass Sports
All Girls' Day

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G. A. L. A.

Photography Club
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Senior Play
Stage Crew

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Dramatic Club
Yearbook Staff
All Girls' Day
Make-up Squad

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"Vera"
19 Jetland Place
Dramatic Club
Chorus
L. A. W.
H. R. Secretary

Senior Delegate
Soph. Mothers' Tea
O. B. S.

Senior Play

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"Tex"

47 Whittier Street
Safety Club

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Sports Night
Interclass Basketball
Interclass Baseball
All Girls' Day
Chorus

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"Fred"
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Baseball Team
Chess Club
Tennis Team

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Ushers' Guild
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Sr. Mothers' Tea
Photography Club



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Broadway, Trumbull
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F. N. A.
F. T. A.

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Radio Club
Photography Club
Stamp and Coin Club Aeronautics Club
Newtonians
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Red Cross Delegate
H. R. Delegate

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F. N. A.

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Jr, Classical League
Choir Festival

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All Girls' Day
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"Jan"
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Dramatic Club
Make-up Squad
Jr. Mothers' Tea
Sr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day
Chorus

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"Dot"
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Ushers' Guild
L. A. W.

Chorus
O. B. S.

Spring Concert
Sr. Mothers' Tea
Christmas Assembly
All Girls' Day

ISABEL MARY SISCAR

## "Is"

1217 State Street
D. A. R. Award
O. B. S.
L. A. W.
L. A. W. Honor Award



HENRY JOHN SKOPP
"Hank"

## 585 Park Avenue

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Radio Club
Aeronautics Club

NANCY LOUISE SLATER

## "Cindi"

84 Harborview Avenue
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Soph. Co-Dir. Social Activities Sr. Mothers' Tea
L. A. W.
H. R. Vice-President

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Junior Delegate
Chorus


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"Vear"
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Green and White Revue

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"Terri"
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Christmas Assembly
Chorus
Spring Concert
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Dramatic Club
RICHARD DAVID SOMOYA
"Dick"
108 Princeton Street
Jr. H. R. Delegate Interclass Sports
Jr. Co-Dir. Social Activities Sr. Co-Dir. Social Activities Chorus
Red Cross Delegate Senior Play

PATRICIA ANN SPRAGUE
"Pat"
901 South Avenue
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Library Squad
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640 Shelton Road, Trumbull
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Senior Play
Choir
Spring Play
Aeronautics Club

BARBARA JANE STEVENSON

## "Barb"

78 Clemens Avenue, Trumbull
F. N. A.

Jr. Mothers' Tea
All Girls' Day

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 "Mar"Staples Road, Easton
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G. A. L. A.

Student Council
Ushers' Guild
Choir
F. T. A.

Yearbook Staff
Spring Concert
Senior Play
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President Dramatic Club
U. S. History Debating Club
H. R. President

Senior Delegate
President National Honor Society
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Chemistry Research Club
Senior Play

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> "Ber"

371 West Morgan Avenue

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U. S. History Debating Club

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Chorus

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PATRICIA ANN SYNNOTT
"Pat"
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German Club
National Honor Society
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Chorus
U. S. History Debating Club

Chemical Research Club
Photography Club
Radio Club



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MARY LOUISE TYER


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O. B. S.

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L. A. W.

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Senior Delegate
Sr. Mothers' Tea
Sophomore Delegate
All Girls' Day



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Safety Club
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G. A. L. A.

Choir
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Treas. Red Cross Delegates Spanish Club
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"Aust"

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Safety Club
All Girls' Day
Soph. Mothers' Tea Jr. Mothers' Tea



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L. A. W.

Dramatic Club

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All Girls' Day
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O. B. S.

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130 Walnut Street

IN MEMORIAM

PETER DUFF LINDQUIST
September 4, 1936 - February 17, 1953

## CLASS WILL

We, the Class of 1955, being of feeble minds and bodies do hereby bequeath our few worldly possessions to the poor underprivileged underclassmen.

1. To Mr. Roth we bequeath our heart-felt thanks for his firm but helping hand.
2. To Miss Gallahue we leave a new list of guidance programs consisting exclusively of study, gym, and lunch periods for future students.
3. To Mr. Silverstone we leave a few gray hairs to add to the collection he'll soon have.
4. To Miss Lockwood we leave a time clock so that tardy students will be docked for just the few minutes they were late rather than two hours.
5. To Mrs. James we leave our many thanks for being such a wonderful advisor and friend during our years in Bassick.
6. To Miss Donnelly we leave peppermint sticks to replace the thermometers.
7. To Miss McNulty we leave our gratitude for the wonderful job she did with the Senior Play.
8. To Mrs. Mayer we leave Paul Suchy.
9. Mike Herrera leaves and that's the end of the illustrious Herrera name in Bassick.
10. Bob McDonnell leaves his report on "How it feels to live in the stratosphere."
11. Paul Mac Vittie and Jack Carpenter leave their Pepsodent smiles.
12. Freda Zoulamis leaves all her secretarial notes to anyone who can read them.
13. Bud Almassy leaves and takes Betsy Buckhout with him.
14. John Stenquist leaves in search of the kiss he missed in the senior play.
15. Dave Gazley leaves his muscles.
16. Allan Aaron bequeaths his blood-stained medicine chest for future Stratford football games.
17. Dick Somoya leaves his beautiful blue eyes!
18. Sandy Booth leaves for Korea to find Dave.
19. Fred Shempp bequeaths his new book entitled, "How to Find a Party" to next year's party pooper.
20. Mary Ellen Kirk leaves her pony tail and cute pug nose.
21. John Minely bequeaths his Greek profile to next year's Appolo.
22. Nancy Roda leaves her lovely blonde wig. (You thought it was real!)
23. Vandy Kirk leaves his skill in throwing the bull - opps - ball!
24. Vera Ann Saul leaves her poise and posture to any slouchy, gum-chewing freshman who needs them.
25. Marge Nelson and Beryl Swire leave their carzy Bermudas and argyles.
26. Phil Swain leaves some of his many cars to James Melton's collection.
27. Ed Curran bequeaths his empty money bags to be filled by next year's "Curran-cy."
28. Larisa Kappel bequeaths her "Foley's Outdoor Girl" pin to Nancy Buckhout, the great camper.
29. Judy Sagarin leaves with fond memories of those happy hours of play rehearsals.
30. Dolores Gaudett leaves, and the Junior girls heave a sigh of relief.
31. Tom Giblin bequeaths his drenched black suit to next year's villain.
32. Joseph Francis Sholtes, III, leaves his gay repartee to a future wise-guy.
33. Stan-the-man-Lessler leaves his little black book to a shy little sophomore.
34. Grace Tvardzik leaves a trail of broken hearts behind her.
35. John Halsey leaves his talented fingers on the piano to next year's jazz enthusiast.
36. Vinnie De Francesco bequeaths his drum to a future basketball booster.
37. Pat Doyle, the Irish beauty, leaves her lovely eyes, bluer than the lakes of Killarney.
38. Alice Hartley leaves her theories on atomic energy to a future physicist.
39. Marie June leaves, and her sister Sylvia picks up where she left off.
40. Lorraine Almassy bequeaths her ready smile to next year's stick-in-the-mud.
41. Bob Felner leaves his grandfather's beard a little grayer than before.
42. Anna Polascik leaves her uncompleted notes on "How to Succeed in Miss McNulty's English Class."
43. Anna Kaku leaves a few notes she forgot to take on Einstein's theory.
44. Ginny Shultz leaves all the sandwiches, ice cream cones, cakes, and other foods she never found time to eat at 5B lunch period.
45. Harvey Helm, Al Fletcher and Don Sabo leave their voices for next year's All Girls' Choir.
46. Ray Olderman left early.
47. John Thanassi leaves, and Mr. Carr loses another biology ace.
48. Vicky Di Dio leaves with half the hearts of Bassick.
49. Lynne Johnson, Kenny Broad, Annette Kleban, Frank Mannoni, and Terry Sobotka leave their musical talents for future assemblies.
50. To the underclassmen we leave the school, still shaking in its foundation.
51. Now we all leave! ! !

We the undersigned, do pledge for our class the above items to be held with memories of us.

Victoria Di Dio, John Minely, Richard Somoya, Edmund Curran, Anna Polascik


Best Looking


Most Artistic


Done Most for Class


Best Athlete


Wittiest

Best Looking
Philip Swaim
Dolores Gaudette

Done Most for Class
Edmund Curran
Anna Kaku

Most Collegiate
Robert Felner
Marjorie Nelson

Most Talkative
Robert Kursman
Jo Ann Fazekas
Most Friendly
Michael Herrera
Mary Ellen Kirk, Freda Zoulamis

Quietest
Stephen Gross

Jack Carpenter
Cutest
Irene Lebedowicz

Best Athlete
James Kirk
Harriette Dorman
Class Flirt
Richard Somoya
Eileen Murray
Wittiest
Joseph Sholtes
Barbara Peace
Best Dancer
Robert Felner
Caroline Ritzul

Most Popular
Michael Herrera


Peppiest

## CHARACTERISTICS

Most Optimistic
Robert Reath
Mary Ellen Kirk, Mona Faulkner

Most Dignified
Seth Weingarten
Anna Kaku

Most Business-like
Edmund Curran
Edith Lucas

Most Artistic
Alfred Gratrix
Joan Pruett

Most Pleasing Personality
Michael Herrera
Betsy Buckhout

Best Dressed
Robert Felner
Ellen Rosenfeld

Most Courteous
Stephen Gross
Anna Kaku

Most Reliable
Edmund Curran
Anna Kaku

Peppiest
Tony Jordhamo
Mary Ellen Kirk

Most Musical
Stanley Lessler
Best Actor
Edmund Curran
Virginia Shultz

Betsy Buckhout

Most Likely to Succeed
Edmund Curran
Anna Kaku


Most Popular


Most Talkative


Best Dancer


Class Flirt


## CLASS PROPHECY

BROADWAY 1965
Mr. and Mrs. John James of Bassick Avenue, Bridgeport, were invited by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Herrera, famous socialites of New York City, to attend the world premiere of 1965's smash musical, "The Loves of Mr. Somoya." Written by the literary team of Sugden and Diem, the motion picture extravaganza starred the Bassick Bopsters, Ellen Rosenfeld, Marion Svihra, Pat Pramuka, Marie Glennon, and Linda Kimmerling.

Having boarded the 6:15 express on the Youngblood, Yurkowski, Yaworchak, and Jones jet railroad line, the Jameses arrived in New York at 6:30, just in time for their dinner date. After meeting the Herreras, they went to "Jordhamo's Hideaway," where they were escorted into the dining room by "Stretch" Guenette, the headwaiter. Having looked at the menu, they found that the only available dish in their price range was Weingarten's crepes suzettes - they decided to leave.

As they walked down the street, they saw Jack Gannon, cruising down Broadway in his new Pelletier Paddywagon. Sandra Linde, Ruth Hoffman, Barbara Buell, Larissa Kappel, and Carol Norton were seen coming out of Mary Molloy's Maison de Mode, New York's famous fashion house. Hearing a noise, they looked up and saw a sky-writing rocket which boldly proclaimed across the sky "Vogler's Vodka for Vim, Vigor, and Vitality."

Mr. Herrera picked up the latest edition of Curran's Courier at a corner newsstand. He saw in the headlines that President Barbara Esner, the nation's first woman President, had recently appointed Harriette Dorman and her famous squad of "flippers," Mary Ellen Kirk, Nancy Harvey, Mary Patalak, Mona Faulkner, Elaine Kelly, Joyce Sayball, and Alice Hartley to promote good will in Kacsmarik's Kingdom the world's only nation composed of superhuman basketball players. Inside the paper Mr. Herrera discovered some more news of some of his former classmates. An art exhibit, featuring the works of the world's foremost artists, Virginia Dirsa, Dolores Coppolella, Pauline Halvady, Joan Pruett, Barbara Martaus, Al Gatrix, and Bill Charity, was being held at Madsen's Museum.

As the Herreras and their guests continued their walk along Broadway, their attention was attracted by a stupendous sign, created by world-famous Frances Larkin, the girl with ideas, which advertised in brilliant colors "Cagle's Creamy Corn Remover," the latest thing for aching feet. Howard Schwartz was putting the sign up on the front of Epstein's Apothecary with the help of his skillful engineering crew, Gordon Chase, Dick Zeisler, John Thomas, and Allan Trickey.

The sweet notes of Loretta Bedini's hit tune, "Waltz Me to the Moon in Your Rocket Ship in June," were heard floating from the doorway of Kursman's Record Shop, as sung by pretty Maureen Reilly and accompanied by Lillie Rogers' Symphony Orchestra, featuring Alden Barnes, Harvey Helm, Jean Lucas, Bill Bissonette, Terry Sobotka, and John Firment. The visitors' eyes were drawn to the brightly-lighted theater marquee of the Siller Modern Playhouse where the famous play, "North Atlantic," the work of world-traveler, Victor Beik, and starring Tom Giblin, Barbara Kalinski, and Mary Lou Galian, was being presented. Elsie Alberghini, famous playwright, had adapted Mr. Beik's novel for the stage presentation.

Since she wanted to take a remembrance of her trip back to Bridgeport with her, Mrs. James asked the party to stop at Mildred Costa's Fifth Avenue Gift Shop. They were waited on by Mademoiselle Phyllis Cibulas who showed them several items, including Lamourroux Parfum, Jennings jewelry, and Evelyn Hall Marked greeting cards.

Mr. Herrera realized that it was time to go to the theater when he looked at his Wells' Waterproof, Shock-Resistant, Atomic-Controlled wrist watch. After he had hailed a Nelsen radar-controlled taxi-cab, the group started for Haydu's Hall where "The Loves of Mr. Somoya" was being presented. They were escorted to their seats by Kay Seaman, the head usherette. As they glanced at the programs, they recognized several familiar names. Mary Ellen Grant and Dorothy Simon had produced, Elizabeth Bray had directed it, Virginia Shultz had done the musical arrangements, Caroline Ritzul had done the choreography, and Roberta Haley and Virginia Curci designed the gorgeous costumes. Edith Lucas had been in charge of the film editing. The make-up, used in the picture, was made and plastered on by Araceles Velasquez and her squad of make-up artists. As the curtain opened and the musical romance began, the audience broke into tremendous applause.

During intermission the Herreras and the Jameses met several old friends who were also attending the premiere, Frank Wlassak, world-famous nuclear physicist, Annette Kleban, prominent New York woman lawyer, Mary Lou Tyer, head medical technologist at the Synnott laboratories, and Commander Gerald Gajnos of the Coast Guard were seen in the lobby crowd. Betsy Buckhout, famous Hollywood star, was chatting with some of her famous friends. Mr. and Mrs. John Doe (that's short for Doepapadimitrakopoulos), famous owners of a worldwide restaurant chain, came over to greet their old friends. Mrs. Doe is the former Freda Zoulamis.

While the conversation was at its height, Russell Raphaely, the head usher of the theater, came out to announce the beginning of the second act. The audience returned to their seats, anxious to see the outcome of the musical romance.

The Jameses and the Herreras had been invited to attend a party after the premiere at Vicky DiDio's Park Avenue penthouse. After they arrived at their hostess's apartment, they were taken into the living room by the butler, Bill Borbely. The cute little maid, Mary-Ann Parker, was passing out the hors d'oeuvres, which were prepared by Paul Brown, to the sophisticated guests. Among these guests were Eleanor Weissman, dental hygienist, and her prominent dentist friend, Emily Hahn. "Corky" Gross was seen talking rapidly to a group of friends, a scene reminiscent to the Herreras of their high school days. Stephen Gross, famous chemist, was solving a difficult problem for a group of admiring scientists.

Having had a very enjoyable trip, the Jameses prepared to leave for home. They were impatient to get home in order that they might tell everyone about their trip. They still didn't know which heroine married Mr. Somoya, but they felt that they had a wonderful time in the big city with so many of the members of that most outstanding of all Bassick's classes - 1955!

Mary Molloy<br>Mary Lou Tyer<br>Freda Zoulamis



First row, 1. to r.: John Halsey, Ed Curran, Bob Felner, Vera Saul, Marion Svihra.
Second row: Tom Giblin, Marge Nelson, Alice Hartley, Phil Swaim, Freda Zoulamis, John Stenquist, Vicki Di Dio, Mike Herrera, Grace Tvardzik.
Third row: Judy Sagarin, Dick Somoya.
Kneeling: Betsy Buckhout.

## THE SENIOR PLAY

The play's the thing, and "Meet Me in St. Louis," under the direction of Miss Mae McNulty, scored a rousing success for the seniors.

A great deal of time and effort was put into the production of the play both by the students and by the faculty.

The play, a gay, rollicking comedy, is the story of four harum-scarum sisters, Marion

Svihra, Grace Tvardzik, Judy Sagarin, and Betsy Buckhout; and their attempts to persuade their parents, Vera Ann Saul, and Ed Curran, to remain in St. Louis. In addition, the sisters try to save their brother, Dick Somoya, from an "Eastern menace," Alice Hartley. Others in the cast included Marjorie Nelson, John Stenquist, Robert Felner, and Phil Swaim.

In spite of all the amusing entanglements caused by the sisters, the play ended happily with the family remaining in St. Louis.

The play could not have been produced without the assistance of the make-up squad, the stage crew, the ushers' guild, and members of the chorus and orchestra, all of whom helped to make the play the success that it was.


First row, 1. to r.: Charlotte Zwerdling, Barbara Esner, Frances Turro, Beryl Swire, Nancy Roda, Freda Zoulamis, Vicki Di Dio, Betsy Buckhout, Mildred Peters, Loretta Bedini, Dorothy Simon, Virginia Curci, Marie Glennon.
Second row: Carolee Sendra, Lilli Rogers, Elsie Alberghini, Viola Jordhamo, Virginia Shultz, Joann Fazekas, Barbara Bethea, Mary Ann Hanusovsky, Caroline Ritzul, Marie Gionet, Sandra Linde, Janet Silverman, Marge Nelson, Lois Carlson, Linda Kimmerling, Mona Faulkner, Emily Hahn, Dorothy Leaf, Adrienne Ritz, Helen Kish, Audrey Katz, Carole Gross, Lillian Lovgren, Mrs. Marguerite James.

## SENIOR MOTHERS' TEA

On February 16, the senior class held its annual Senior Mothers' Tea. This is one of the most highlighted events in the social calendar of the class. The library, which was decorated in red and white, was filled with over one hundred mothers who enjoyed socializing with friends and teachers. Delicious refreshments consisting of novelty sandwiches, cookies, and

cakes were served along with coffee and tea. Annette Kleban provided background music during the entire affair. The afternoon would not have been complete without the excellent entertainment of Patty Siller, Virginia Shultz, Lilli Rogers, Caroline Ritzul, Anna Kaku, and Carolee Sendra. The reception, invitation, refreshment, decoration, publicity, entertainment, check room, and clean-up committees, under the able guidance of Mrs. Marguerite James, senior class advisor, and Betsy Buckhout, CoDirector of Social Activities, did a commendable job in getting everything organized and in making the affair a huge success.


## REUNION

 PACTWe, the Class of 1955, having been together for three happy years, do hereby solemnly pledge to unite five years hence, in 1960 .

At that time we shall come together once more to recall schoolday memories and to share the events which have occurred in the interim. It is our sincere hope that the bonds of friendship will remain so intact that each member, no matter where he is or what he is doing, will reaffirm those ties which he has made.

By having this reunion, it is our belief that each one shall gain from the other the knowledge and experience which he has attained through facing the world independently. We cannot foresee what awaits us; we can only hope that by God's mercy each and every one of us shall have his measure of happiness fulfilled.

We, therefore, promise to realize, to the best of our ability, the purposes of this reunion pact.

AUTHORS Judy Sagarin<br>Barbara Esner<br>President Michael Herrera<br>Vice President Victoria Di Dio<br>Secretary Freda Zoulamis<br>Treasurer Edmund Curran<br>Girl Co-Director<br>Betsy Buckhout<br>Boy Co-Director<br>Richard Somoya





## UNDERGRADUATES



First row, 1. to r.: Peggy Freese, Dick Wright, Nancy Buckhout, Tom Burke.
Second row: Penny Pilotti, Mrs. Lois Perrini, Jack Sekelsky.

## JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

While still sophomores in 1954, the Class of 1956 elected the officers for their junior year. The successful candidates were president, Richard Wright; vice-president, Peggy Freese; secretary, Nancy Buckhout; treasurer, Thomas Burke; and co-directors of social activities, Penny Pilotti and Jack Sekelsky. The first social event for the junior class was the Junior Moth-
ers' Tea, which the girls sponsored. In April, the girls were again responsible for the successful Junior Fashion Show, in which selected "models" displayed their own fine clothes. May was a memorable month for these students, for they traveled to West Point on their Class Trip. The class officers had lots of fun when they assisted the seniors in planning the annual BassickFairfield Football Hop. With such a capable and understanding advisor as Mrs. Lois Perrini, the Class of 1956 is sure to have a successful and fun-filled senior year. As these boys and girls turn their cherished rings, they are fully aware of the coming responsibilities and of the duty which is theirs to fulfill.


## THE JUNIOR MOTHERS' TEA



Sprigs of holly and gay centerpieces of sleighs and snowmen indicated that "Winter Wonderland" was the theme of the Junior Mothers' Tea.

On the afternoon of January 13, 1955, the weeks of planning came to an end when the Reception Committee, under the chairmanship of Barbara Nastu, welcomed the mothers of the Junior class to the Tea.

Upon entering the school library, where the Tea was held, the mothers were introduced to the Junior class officers. After they were seated, tea, coffee, and an assortment of pastries, cakes, and cookies were served on a buffet arranged
by Marie Magdefrau and the Refreshment Committee.

Music for the Tea was provided by the Entertainment Committee, under the chairmanship of Nancy Buckhout. The "Winter Wonderland" theme was selected and executed by Penny Pilotti and the Decoration Committee. The Publicity Committee, headed by Peggy Freese, handled the advertisement for the event.

The entire Tea was under the general chairmanship of Penny Pilotti, Co-Director of Social Activities of the Junior Class.

Left to right, sitting: Joan Olson, Marjorie Peterson, Judy Pente, Sherril Sproviero, Rosemary Tancredi, Agnes Del Mastro, Carol Sullivan, Joy Weisberger, Phyllis Whitney.
Left to right, standing: Mimi Leipner, Beverly Banks, Juanita Beason, Irene Fressola, Marie Magdefrau, Alice Whitlock, Rosanne Cohen, Elaine Jacobs, Penny Pilotti, Peggy Freese. Nancy Buckhout, Hildegarde Feucht, Helen Bosck, Evelyn Bugy, Virginia Oviatt, Barbara Nastu, Joan Piriczky, Anne Marie Patuzzi, Diane Chalo.






# SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS 

First row, 1. to r.: Jeri Reid, Bob Venman, Lynn Sabo. Second row: Mrs. Joan Heine, Chris Zoulamis, Bill Shultz, Joan Flynn.

Under the able supervision of Mrs. Joan Heine, the Class of 1957 organized and successfully completed its first year at Bassick. Early in the autumn, the newly-united group elected its first officers who included Robert Venman, president; Jeri Ellen Reid, vice-president; Lynn Sabo, secretary; Chris Zoulamis, treasurer; and William Shultz and Joan Flynn, co-directors of social activities. Later in the fall, the sophomores experienced their first project; that of aiding the juniors and seniors in arrangements for the annual Bassick-Fairfield Football Hop. The most memorable event of the year was the Sophomore Class Party, which was held during the winter, in February. The girls sponsored a wonderful tea in the Spring, at which they en-
tertained both their mothers and their teachers. The class of 1957 still has two more years at Bassick, but they themselves know that those two years will be packed with innumerable good times and successful endeavors. The Sophomore Class is confident that they will be fortunate and prosperous in the years to come as they prepare themselves to be future leaders!




ACTIVITIES

## STUDENT COUNCIL



First row, 1. to r.: Annette Kleban, Lynne Johnson, Patricia Henaghan, Joan Favreau, Charles Ginand, Anna Kaku, Robert Felner, Nancy Roda, Suzanne Wells, Gail Abitz, Frances Civitelli, Jacqueline Coburn.
Second row, 1. to r.: Mr. Brown, Pat Doyle, Marilyn Fisher, Nancy Salling, Victoria Di Dio, Nancy Gom-
bas, Grace Perry, Nancy Marschall, Dolores Coppelella, Evelyn Flax, Carolyn Morris, Laura Campbell.
Third row, 1. to r.: Robert Smith, Harold Walsh, Raymond Choquette, Newell Bishop, Philip Serlin, Adrian Perachio, John Stenquist, Patrick Cody, Robert Durwin, Chris Zoulamis, Mel Oppenheim.

First row, 1. to r.: Stanley Lessler, James Caserta, Dick Freeman, Melvyn Oppenheim, Ralph Saccone, Raymond Merson, Elizabeth Bray, Katherine Merrit, Gail Bayers, Marcia Davis.
Second row: Jolan Kovachs, Milda Carlson, Nancy Gombas, Sondra Sargeant, Barbara Echhans, Alla Lipscher, Stephen Bansak, Marvin Lebowsky, Myron Warshaw.

Third row: Nowland Foster, Bruce Eddy, Leonard Cassilo, William Thielen, Stephen Rescanski, Anthony Lota, Judy Stumph, Lilli Rogers, Rose Toth.
Fourth row: Paul Leninger, Robert Venman, Alton Crabtree, Timothy Kline, Billy Serlin, Roland Wright, Richard Baltrusaitis, Reid Carpenter, Billy Angliss.
Fifth row: Richard Aronson, Donald Rose, Harvey Helm, Robert Firman, Alden Barnes, John Kolesar, Vincent Yurksaitis, Mr. Stephen Gaspar.


The Bassick High School Band, under the able direction of Mr. Stephen Gaspar, is indispensable to the school. Their enthusiastic renditions at football games and pep assemblies furnish color and excitement to these events. This group also entertains at school presentations, the Spring Concert, and assemblies. This year, the band presented a striking appearance in new green and gray uniforms, a gift of the Bassick High School Fathers' Club. Members of this organization receive instrumental instruction, and they are given an opportunity to play harmoniously with a group. Stanley Lessler, a veteran band member, served as drum major this year. Sectional leaders included Anthony Lota, trumpet; Melvyn Oppenheim, clarinet; Harvey Helm, trombone; Vincent Yurksaitis, saxophones and tuba; and Bruce Eddy, percussion. Equipment custodians included Bill Thielen and Anthony Lota. Kathy Merrit and Judy Stumph were librarians. Whether this group plays "long hair" or "crew cut," their spirited music is appreciated by the entire school.

## BASSICK BAND

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The National Honor Society has proved itself to be of great value to the secondary schools of America. This society gives pupils of secondary schools something to strive for and is the most coveted honor that can be bestowed upon a student. Its steady rapid growth is evidence of its worth. Acquiring membership in Bassick's National Honor Society is the highest achievement a Bassick student can attain. Although outstanding scholastic ability is the basis of this organization, one must show leadership qualities, give service, and demonstrate good character in order to be a part of this select group. This year the organization composed entirely of seniors elected as its officers Philip Swaim, president; Alice Hartley, vice-president; Elizabeth Bray, secretary; Edmund Curran, treasurer; and Lorraine Almassy, social director. The Honor Society enjoyed several activities planned under the able guidance of Miss Miriam Mallay. Included in their activities were a very successful candy sale, an assembly in which they inducted worthy juniors and seniors into their organization, and an annual spring picnic.


First row, 1. to r.: Elizabeth Bray, Alice Hartley, Edmund Curran, Lorraine Almassy, Anna Kaku.

Second row: Marietta Schwickert, Anne Sugden, Bernard Krushinsky, Seth Weingarten, John Thanassi, Jean Lucas, Dolores Coppolella.

First row, 1. to r.: Gerald Breiner, Philip Serlin, Stanley Lessler, John Halsy, Robert Kursman, Otto Velez, James Garofalo.

Second row: Richard Baltrusaitis, Michael Herman, Stephen Gross, Alfred Gratix,. Daniel Toth, Leonard Grob, Ronald Burde, Joel Karp, Alexander Dobieshi.
 leadership of Mr. Albert Fleischer. During the early weeks of the year, many new members learned the game, while oldtimers improved their play. The fine chess team which this club has reared has won the Southern Connecticut Chess League Championship for two consecutive years. They have defeated Central, Norwalk, East Norwalk, and Stamford. After tying their record with Darien this year, the Bassick team emerged victorious in a "play-off" game. Veteran members of the Bassick Chess Team this year include Captain, John Halsey; Stanley Lessler, Bob Kursman, Ronald Burde, and Joseph Zuckerman. Bassick is proud of this club, whose record is seventeen wins and one defeat!

## BASSICK VOICE BUSINESS STAFF



First row, 1. to r.: Joan Gilbert, Julie Keafstad, Elaine Jacobs, Judy Ohl, Beatrice Scharf, Fred Johnson, Leslie Gilbert, Elenor Weissman, Sally Goldman, Marie Gionet, Carol Turcy, Marsha Owen. Shearer, Joan Matey, June Gomberg, Helen Nicola,

Loretta Caranica, Virginia Merly, Suzanne Wells, Clatilde Rodrigues, David Nelson, Mrs. Helen Spillane. Third row: Elma Matasian, Mary-Ann Parker, Marlene Lisiak, Marilyn Fisher, Lynn Sabo, Mary Mallay, Joyce Gionet, Diane Kangisser, Nancy Balogh, Annette Kleban.

First row, 1. to r.: Grace Tvardzik, Penny Pilotti, Marilyn Leipner, Seth Weingarten, Judy Sagarin, Patricia Siller, Katherine Buckley.

Second row: Mary Patalak, Robert Jursman, Arthur Schipul, Newell Bishop, Barbara Esner.


## BASSICK VOICE LITERARY STAFF



## CHORUS

The combined Chorus of Bassick High School contributes to the success and pleasure of many school functions. Under the direction of Mrs. Lilyan H. Zigun, the new choral supervisor, these students "sing their way" through many enjoyable hours of music during the year. This year the Chorus presented musical programs at the Christmas Assembly, the annual Spring Concert, and several dramatic presentations. In the Spring Mrs: Zigun chose one hundred seniors, including the Choir, to participate in the Senior Chorus at graduation. Later, several boys and girls, whose excellent voices qualified them for membership in the A Cappella Choir
were chosen. On March 18, many members of the musical organizations were fortunate to attend the presentation of "Faust" at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York City. Anyone who enjoys singing may elect Chorus as an extra subject. Members of this group are taught appreciation of good music and voice development. An important purpose of this organization is to develop the musical talent of Bassick. Boys and girls who belong to Chorus gain poise and confidence in performing before an audience as well as a sense of relaxation and enjoyment.


Left to right: Richard De Manche, John Csey, Robert Schwartz, Robert Sanwald, Paul Brown, Don Sabo,

John Tvardzik, James Gomperts, Robert Balstad, Mr. Warren L. Brown.


STAGE CREW

## A CAPPELLA CHOIR



First row, 1. to r.: Rosemary Tancredi, Lynne Johnson, Mary Patalak, Laura Campbell, Claire Tassinary, Miss Grace Laing, Marilyn Leipner, Evelyn Newsome, Betsy Buckhout, Joan Wells, Anna Kaku.
Second row: Elaine Couthen, Anne Sugden, Marilou Galian, Ann Marie Patuzzi, Maureen Reilly, Barbara Buell, Frances Larkin, Joy Jochiss, Elsie Alberghini, Juanita Beason.
Third row: Harold Holzer, Stanley Lessler, Robert Kursvey Helm. Edward Laufer, Edmund Curran, Philip

Swaim, Kenneth Broad, John Stenquist.
Fourth row: Elaine Audley, Louis Gibson, Bruce Carley, Michael Herrera, James Walker, Allen Trickey, Lafayette Caraway, Newell Bishop, Jack Carpenter, Bernard Krushinsky, Paul Leninger, Beverly Ostman.
Fifth row: Mary Lou Tyer, Virginia Shultz, Nancy Buckhout, Anne Kane, George Fatsy, Barbara Kalinski, Hildegarde Feucht, Loretta Bedini, John Gilbert, Julie Klafstadt, Marion Svihra, Jean Lucas, Victoria Di Dio, Grace Tvardzik.

First row, 1. to r.: Gertrude Moskowitz, Vera-Anne Slavicek, Cathy Curtis, Virginia Yawarchak, Penny Pilotti, Nancy Buckhout, Edmund Curran, Jeri Reid, Bob Greenstein, Carol Trew, Connie Gallo, Nilda Rodniquez, Carmen Cotto, Audrey Katz.
Second row: Betsy Buckhout, Louise Seigel, Eileen Crowley, Dorothy Mikita, Betty Lengel, Nancy Roder, Peggy Haborak, Peggy Donowski, Gladys Shorrock, Stephanie Pastor, Joan Favreau, Connie Trew, Joan Rastas, Betty Ann Fazekas, Anita Kinsella, Rose Murray, Arlene Fazekas, Pat Merkli, Elaine Fazekas.
Third row: Freda Zoulamis, Joan Patren, Marion Svihra, Judy Shiff, Grace Tvardzik, Sylvia June, Judy Sagarin, Judy Kozma, Julie Klafstad, Vera Ann Saul, Caroline Ritzul, Elaine Jacobs, Alice Kohut, Victoria

DiDio, Emily Hahn, Alice Hartley, Virginia Merly, Joann Fazekas, Ellen Louise Albright, Sherril Sproviero.
Fourth Row: Judy Krawitz, Myrna Lipscher, Jackie Serlin, Mary Morris, Katherine Buckley, Florence Farber, Judy Rente, Agnes DelMastro, Phyllis Whitney, Sandra Hartman, Carole Cassana, Elaine Hubiska, Ann Johnson, Carol Ann Luthy, Janice Davis, Maureen Nemth.
Fifth row: Nancy Barna, Peggy Freese, Evelyn Bugyi, Janice Norsal, Heldegarde Feucht, Harriet Morrison, Art Schipul, Marge Nelson, Jean Mesaric, Barbara Echhlaus, Roberta Haley, Anita DeStase, Barbara Burbank, Marjorie Westman.


## DRAMATIC CLUB

## SCHOLARSHIPLEADERSHIP



First row, 1. to r.: Anna Kaku, Jack Sekelsky, Peggy Freese, Philip Serlin, Karen Gruinski, Seth Weingarten, Philip Swaim, Edmund Curran, Alice Hartley, John Minely.
Second row: Rosemary Tancrede, Diane Chala, Agnes Del Mastro, Freda Zoulamis, Anne Sugden, Joan Favreau, Penny Pilotti, Phyllis Whitney, Victoria Di

Dio, Betsy Buckhout, Marcia Lou Davis.
Third row: Judy Shiff, Bob Qrunstein, Jean Lucas, Julie Klafstad, Elsie Alberghini, Newell Bishop, Dick Wright, Marion Svihra, Lorraine Almassy, Mary Lou Tyer, Ruth Hoffman, Laure Campbell, Gladys Shorrock.

First row, 1. to r.: Sandra Archer, Arthur Schipul, Joan Sevick, Kenneth White, Patricia Jennings, Robert Johnson, Carol Nerkowski, Mary Ann Parker.

Second row: Mr. Louis Sebestyn, Marily Fischer, Sally Goldman, Carl Pabst, William Lazoja, Robert Fedor, George Fedor, James Garafolo, Ann Oreski, Mary Oreski, James Caserta.
 White, president; Robert Johnson, vice-president; Joan Sevick, secretary; Patricia Jennings, treasurer; and Arthur Schipul, social director; the club has enjoyed a very successful year. The members assemble monthly and discuss the various types of stamps. Their emphasis is placed upon stamps of the United States. They have taken various field trips including those to the Pitney-Bowes Postal Meter Company, the New Haven Historical Society, the Peabody Museum, and, of course, to our own local main post office. This year the Bassick Philatelic Society has included coins as an additional study topic. All those who take part in this group can certainly credit our stamp club as an organization in which they have gained both knowledge and experience in their selected hobby.

## FACULTY



Commercial Department


Science Department


Industrial Arts Department


Department of Physical Education


History Department


Music Department


Mathematics Department


Department of Home Economics


English Department

## FRENZY



Foreign Language Department


Administration


Art Department

The Future Nurses of America is one of the most interesting and popular organizations opened to the girls of Bassick High. At their monthly meetings Virginia Shultz presides as president, Marilyn Hahn as vice-president, Rozanne Sweedo as secretary, Grace Tvardzik as treasurer, and Shirley Witkiewicz as social director. The club is composed of girls who plan to study nursing or some other phase of the medical profession after their high school graduation. During the past year, under the capable supervision of our school nurse, Miss Olive Donnelly, this organization has enjoyed several social activities. Besides hearing many outstanding speakers, the girls have had the privilege of touring both Saint Vincent's and Bridgeport Hospitals. They also attended an afternoon tea held at the University of Bridgeport. As a school project, the club held two very successful cake sales, one in December and another in March. As this school year drew to a close, the group sponsored a picnic which was held at Lake Quassapaug.


First row, 1. to r.: Miss Olive Donnelly, Theresa Sarvicki, Barbara Williamson, Florence Chasse, Viola Jordhamo, Rozanne Sweedo, Virginia Shultz, Marilyn Hahn, Grace Tvardzik, Shirley Witkiewicz, Eileen Murray, Mildred Peters, Roberta Rescoe, Mary Banores.
Second row: Dolores Markus, Arlene Anderson, Sandra Archer, Vita Murray, Lillian Lovgren, Marie Glennon, Sue Colman, Priscilla Dailey, Pat Doyle, Grace Perry, Bonnie Teller, Adrienne Ritz, Juanita Beason, Jane Coyne, Ann Johnson, Patricia Henaghan, Barbara Loomis, Louise Ross, Gail Pavia.
Third row: Blanche Ignatovich, Charlotte Carlson, Jo-
ann Fazekas, Diane Check, Judy Ford, June Redin, Mary Jean Wilson, Mary Lou Collins, Peggy Freese, Barbara Stevenson, Marge Nelson, Judy Wehger, Patricia Gray, Judy Englehard, Frances Bouras, Francois Harriman, Sandy Sargeant, Evelyn Bugyi, Patsy Sprague, Anita Di Stasi, Joan Olson.
Fourth row: Diane Von Briesen, Anna Nelson, Barbara Jasmin, Nancy Peterson, Joan Pickard, Patricia Synnott, Janet Barske, Mary Ann Bochnak, Anne Tomaja, Cecelia Masaitis, Eunice Bunnell, Patricia Benson, Sherry Banks, Barbara Rohrig, Kay-Ann Mesaros, Karen Gregger, Marie Gionet, Barbara Hultgren.

First row, 1. to r.: Frank Ayles, Alfred Gratrix, Jerry Brennan.

Second row: Bruce Carley, Joseph Drales, John Golden, Stephen Hirsch, Mr. Henry Walsh.
 ductions. Under the direction of Mr. Henry Walsh, who is head of the Art Department, the members of the Scenic Artists spend many hours during school and very often long hours after school producing sets that will be needed for various school projects. These members are responsible for the sets in the Christmas Assembly, the Senior and Spring plays, and the Green and White Revue - to name but a few. In addition to learning more about the various aspects of art, the Scenic Artists gain valuable experience in stagecraft through their work. Although they are the "unseen heroes" of the stage, the presence of the Scenic Artists is felt through their work in the outstanding settings that have always added so much to Bassick stage productions.

## ORCHESTRA



First row, 1. to r.: Virginia Shultz, Katherine Merritt, Gail Bayers, Sonja Cornell, Carol Trew, Marietta Schwickert, Arian Perachiv, Joseph Sobotka, William Thielen, Elizabeth Bray.
Second row: Stephen Bansak, Allan Lipscher, James Caserta, Allan Aaron, Melvyn Oppenheim, Howard Freeman, Leonard Cassilo, William Serlin, Kenneth

O'Brian, Judy Stumph.
Third row: Anthony Lota, Richard Baltrusaitis, Marvin Leborosky, Timathy Kline, Robert Venman, Paul Leninger, Harvey Helm, Irene Anderson.
Fourth row: Seth Weingarten, Stanley Lessler, Vincent Yurksaitis, Howard Foster, Bruce Eddy, Mr. Stephen Gasper.

First row, 1. to r.: George Mougios, Frank Wlassak, John Renkavinsky, John Thomas, Gerald Gajnos, Richard Baltrusaitis, Stuart Epstein, Gerald Breiner.
Second row: Virginia Curci, Seth Weingarten, Richard Zeisler, Stanley Lessler, Anna Kaku, Jed Diem, Mary Ellen Grant, Gordon Chase, Harriette Dorman, Anne Sugden, Betsy Buckhout, Mary Patalak.
Third row: Beryl Swire, Nancy Roda, Marilou Galian, Dolores Coppolella, Sandra Booth, Elizabeth Bray,

Joseph Sholtes, Marjorie Nelson, John Halsey, Robbert Kursman, Phillip Swaim, Marietta Schwickert, Mary Ann Bochnak, Emily Hahn, Ellen Rosenfeld, Annette Kleban, Ellen Bai.
Fourth row: Patricia Doyle, Carole Gross, Elsie Alberghini, Patty Siller, Sandra Linde, Roberta Haley, Larissa Kappel, Allan Aaron, Edmund Curran, John Madsen, Judith Sagarin, Alice Hartley, Barbara Esner, Marion Svihra, Steven Gross, Nancy Zissell.


Resolved: that voting privileges should be extended to eighteen year olds; and
Resolved: that the United States should adopt a policy of socialized medicine.
Lively discussion periods usually follow each debate in which the students give vent to their own personal views on the subject in question.

The officers of the Debating Club this year were: president, Jed Diem; vice-president, Anna Kaku; secretary, Mary Ellen Grant; treasurer, Stanley Lessler; time keeper, Gordon Chase; and public relations, Richard Zeisler.

## U. S. HISTORY DEBATING CLUB

## GERMAN CLUB



First row, 1. to r.: Mary Ann Pelle, Katherine Merritt, John Madsen, John Thanassi, Anna Buchholz, Allen Trickey, Hildegarde Feucht, Karen Carlson, Margaret Linkewitz.
Second row: Carl Pabst, Joy Kochiss, Gail Bayers, Carol

Foehrenbach, Frances Pelle, Marilyn Hahn, Gaber Molnar, Donald Rose, Steven Hirsch, George Tregger, Marvin Lebowsky Judith Wehger, Elaine Fineberg, Ursula Stenquist, Joan Rastas, Irene Lebedowicz, Miss Flora Neubauer.

First row, 1. to r.: Rita Turcott, Carol Nerkowski, Phyllis Whitney, Anna Polascik, Mary Molloy, Irene Fressola, Nancy Marshall, Mary Lou Tyer, Anna Kaku, Patricia Doyle, Marcia Davis, Sandra Hartman, Joan Tassinaro.
Second row: Beryl Swire, Carol Goula, Dianne Chala, Dolores Coppollela, Laura Campbell, Lorraine Almassy, Patricia Siller, Alice Hartley, Ann Sugden, Emily Hahn, Judy Shiff, Geraldine Rickter, Penny Pilotti, Marie Magdefrau, Aracelis Velasquez, Gladys

Shorrock, Helen Nicola, Pauline Halvady, Marilyn Fischer.
Third row: Charlotte $Z$ werdling, Elsie Alberghini, Marietta Schwickert, Sally Goldman, Celestine Minolga, Joan Pruett, Barbara Esner, Dorothy Simon, Karen Gminski, Elaine Bascaini, Marion Svihra, Hildegarde Feucht, Loretta Bedini, Anna Marie Patuzzi, Barbara Nastu, Marilyn Leipner, Jean Lucas, Mary Ellen Grant.


USHERS' GUILD

## LE CERCLE FRANCAIS



This year, the members of the French Club held their monthly meetings under the capable direction of Miss Irma Cianfrano. The prime purpose of this club is to promote interest in the language and customs of the French people. This aim is furthered through the use of French games, records, songs, and in studying the origins of various French-American customs. The officers of the club, president, Anna Kaku; vice-president, Marietta Schwickert; secretary, Jeri Reid; treasurer, Gail Hickman; and directors of social activities, Penny Pilotti, and Robert Caserta; conducted these meetings entirely in French. Among the several activities which the approximately seventy members of the French Club had planned for this year were: a Christmas party with the appearance of the French "Santa Claus," Pere Noel, and his imp, who, according to custom, filled the naughty children's stockings with coal; several movies about France; skits about life in the different French provinces; and, at the end of the year, a talent show.


First row, 1. to r.: Anne Sugden, Arlene Anderson, Lucille Hopkins, Marietta Schwickert, Jeri Reid, Gail Hickman, Anna Kaku, Robert Caserta, Penny Pilotti, Joan Olson, Elma Matosian, Sandra Hartman.
Second row: Evelyn Flax, Sherril Sproviero, Dorothy Mikita, Elsie Alberghini, Grace Tvardzik, Mary Lou Tyer, Jean Lucas, Marjorie Westman, Stephanie Pastor, Myrna Lipscher, Judith Michaud, Dolores Coppolella, June Gomberg, Sherry Banks, Nancy Roder, Ellen Louise Albright.
Third row: Carole Cross, Mimi Flynn, Janice Davis,

Patty Siller, Nora Lou Snyder, Emily Hahn, Patty Morrissey, Mary Lou Collins, Pearl Silverman, Beverly Nelson, Larisa Kappel, Nancy Rosenfeld, Judy Ohe, Marjorie Snyder, Carol Ann Luthy, Gladys Shorrock, Barbara Lovasz.
Fourth row: Betsy Buckhout, Stephen Gross, Ronald Burdy, James Walker, Stephen Toth, Ronnie Baud, Jack Gannon, Robert Middlebrook, James Ontoniou, Stephen Roscsanski, Bill Serlin, Al Lipscher, Harold Holzer, Walter Jeffko, Stephen Bansak, Howard Freeman, Florence Farber.

First row, 1. to r.: Judy Krakovich, Gail Birdsall, Bob Greenstein, Mary Molloy, Art Schipul, Fran Harriman, Robert Johnson, Mary Knopf, Maria Cotto.
Second row: Shirley Bernier, Joan DeMattia, Marie Magdefrau, Gail Peterson, Joe Barron, Robert Am-
brosino, Joan Sevick, Patricia Benson, Vera Samoskevich, Mr. Kaplan.
Third row: Richard Takacs, George Fedor, William Denton, Harold Holzer, Joseph Sholtes, Michael Gannon, Tom Giblin, Charlie Perez, William Lagoja.
 Schipul; vice-president, Mary Molloy; secretary, Francaise Harriman; treasurer, Robert Johnson; and social directors, Mary Knopf and Robert Greenstein. The members of the Photography Club are responsible for many pictures of school activities as well as candid shots of teachers and students. Some of these pictures are used in the school newspaper, and others are posted on the bulletin boards in the halls. When the Bassick Yearbook is printed, the best pictures taken by these students are put into it. These students not only learn how to take good pictures, but they also learn how to develop and retouch them. Although not all of these students become experts in the field of photography, this club affords a pleasant outlet for those who enjoy photography as a hobby.

## FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA



First row, 1. to r.: Virginia Curci, Annette Kleban, Carol Trew, Judith Kazma, Elsie Alberghini, Kathy Grant, Mary Ellen Grant, Marjorie Nelson, Virginia Shultz, Helen Britt, Donna Anderson, Patricia Tyler, Judy Katz.
Second row: Sandra Hartman, Irene Anderson, Gail Abitz, Eleanor Tomer, Joan Rastas, Joan Wells, Helen Kish, Diane Bonvicini, Mary Ann Fox, Marilyn Fischer, Evelyn Flax, Nancy Zissell, Mona Faulkner, Ruth

Hoffman, Evelyn Dobieski, Rosaline George, Merle Fisk, Joy Weisgerber, Freda Zoulamis, Selma Yusko, Lucille Hopkins.
Third row: Nancy Salling, Mary Ann Szidor, Sandra Sessler, Sally Goldman, Marion Svihra, Judy Sagarin, Greta Johnson, Jane Stanne, Ruth Peterson, Ronald Baird, Jean Mesaric, Judy Ohl, Rozanne Cohen, Barbara Eide, June Gomberg, Monica Gibson, Millie Costa, Dolores Coppolella.

First row, 1. to r.: Judy Irving, Helen Britt, Rosalie Hall, Judy Crosby, Ellyn Brown, Elsie Alberghini, Elaine Boscaini, Ann Oreski, Adora Leake, Barbara Chasse, Mary Oreski.
Second row: Irene Lebedowiz, Anita Lex, Rita Turcott, Pat Kovac, June Gomberg, Marie Gionet, Myrna Lipscher, Filomena Russo, Alberta Couthen, Rose Marie

Sorrell, Diane Ruscoe, Carol Nerkowski, Rosemary Tancredi, Miss Corinne Schread.
Third row: Nancy Carpenter, Ann Tomoja, Irene Fressola, Helen Jacob, Deanne Bussolotti, Lillian Lenart, Elaine Almassy, Georgia Yeingst, Loretta Bedini, Evelyn Discepolo, Carole Poole, Nancy Barna, Carol Hurd, Rozanne Sweedo, Eunice Bunnel.
 Early in the year the group held a successful cake sale. To get into the spirit of Christmas, they combined their induction tea and Christmas party with the Central High School Squad as guests. The present officers, who were elected at last year's annual dinner, are Elsie Alberghini, president; Ellen Brown, vicepresident; Elaine Boscaini, secretary; and Anna Oreski, treasurer. After training period was over, the new members received wooden pins in the shape of a book, and the senior assistants received silver pins. The girls in this group enjoyed their work, and through their constant efforts helped to administer our library.

## MAKE-UP SQUAD



The girls who take an active part in the make-up squad are among the many who help to make Bassick's stage productions a huge success. This group meets bi-monthly under the capable supervision of their sponsor, Miss Florence Huntress. In this organization the girls learn the finer points of applying and removing make-up. The squad is an essential club, for they are the ones who make up the casts for Bassick's plays and assemblies. This is the group that is responsible for wrapping some students in wrinkles and making others look like five-year-old children. Included in their social activities during the year were a stage show in New York City which the girls attended, and a spring picnic which the girls enjoyed at Candlewood Lake. Under the able leadership of Joyce Sayball, the squad's president; Aracelis Velasquez, vice-president; Diane Check, secretary; and Patricia Pramuka, treasurer; the make-up squad experienced a very enjoyable and successful year.


First row, 1. to r.: Mary Lilsa, Ann Trembeczlsi, Sandra Dolan, Patricia Pramuka, Diane Check, Aracelis Velasquez, Bernice Wakeley, Vera Anne Slavicik, Gertrude Moskowitz.
Second row: Delores Gaudett, Lillian Lovgren, Judy Shiff, Evelyn Flax, Nancy Peterson, Mildred Costa,

Marilou Galian, Rosaline George, Merle Fisk, Diana Chala.
Third row: Barbara Aimelus, Edith Lucas, Sally Minolga, Mary Jean Wilson, Mary Ann Hanusovsky, Phyllis Cibulas, Coralie Brugger, Janet Silverman, Marjorie Snyder, Carol Goula, Joann Fazekas.

First row, 1, to r.: Alice Crittenden, Virginia Dirsa, Lorraine Almassy, Anna Polascik, Rosaline George, Joan Pruett, Dorothy Leaf, Pat Basque.
Second row: Madeline Civitele, Pat Jennings, Connie

Zloto, Vera Ann Saul, Carolyn Brown, Isabel Siscar, Julia O'Shea, Loretta Bedini, Freda Zoulamis, Dorothy Simon, Elaine Kelly, Gertrude Moskowitz.


## JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE

The students of third and fourth year Latin work with spontaneous and energetic zeal in their club called the Junior Classical League. Their motto, "Pergo Perago," which means, "As I proceed in life, I accomplish," is reflected in the social, scholastic, and civic activities of the club under the direction of Miss Nonie Brennan. This group chose their officers as follows: John Minely makes a very capable president, Jack Sekelsky presides as vice-president, Anne Sugden is secretary, and Laura Campbell is treasurer. The organization, in accordance with its tradition, takes active interest in supporting charitable causes of civic interest. The Christmas charity project for this year was directed to supplement the local Community Chest program. The league members also enjoyed participating in the interesting study of Roman culture and philosophy in order to broaden their appreciating of Latin literature. Moreover, academic lau-
 rels were attained for the group by the recent successful participation of Seth Weingarten, Leonard Grob, and Anna Kaku, in the Connecticut State Latin Contest.


First row, 1. to r.: Judy Randall, Marilyn Fischer, Phyllis Whitney, Laura Campbell, John Minely, Jack Sekelsky, Anne Sugden, Mary Ellen Grant, Marilyn Leipner, Anna Kaku.

Iva Cagle, William Hanley, Leonard Grob, Bruce Henry, Philip Serlin, Seth Weingarten, Ed Curran, Carl Killian, Roger Blake, Newell Bishop, Virginia Shultz, Evelyn Flax.

First row, 1. to r.: Judy Katz, Eileene Romano, Florence Haschak, Gail Pavia, Miriam Flynn, Marie Glennon, Gail Dean, Connie Gallo, Judy Irving, Phyllis Mannoni.
Second row: Mary Ann Ferraro, Eileen Murray, Shirley Rainer, Florence Farber, Margaret Fahy, Sheila Synnott, Pauline Dernago, Evelyn Dabieski, Joan Wells, Kathy Grant, Lillian Lovgren, Barbara Lovasz, Geor-
gia Poulas, Mrs. Joan Heine.
Third row: Stephanie Pastor, Barbara Buchla, Barbara Belcher, Virginia Shultz, Evelyn Bugyi, Frances Bouras, Rose Murray, Joan Pruett, Marlene Smith, Gengute Valliere, Marilyn Hahn, Jeannette Hugh, Alice Kohut, Bobbi Pefinger, Sheila Fagan, Marjorie Meldon.


One of the most worthy extra-curricular activities offered in Bassick High is the Junior Red Cross. It is composed of elected delegates from each homeroom. Their duties are of the utmost importance to our school and our community. As a part of the National Red Cross organization, this group offers their services in order to promote all Red Cross activities. One of their main objectives is to spread their enthusiasm to the entire student body of Bassick. Meetings are held once a month under the capable supervision of Mrs. Joan Heine. This year the club elected Marie Glennon as president and Joan Wells as treasurer. Through its annual school-wide collection every Bassick student is given the opportunity to become a member of the American Red Cross. Every delegate will confirm that it has been a privilege and an honor to be a member of this helpful organization.

## YEARBOOK STAFF



Early in October, the Yearbook Staff began to compile the 1955 edition of Bassick's yearbook, the Voice. The staff worked with constant effort and diligence to make this year's publication better than ever. As Edith Lucas, the editor-in-chief, worked conscientiously with Mr. Richard Mayer, advisor to the staff, this yearbook began to mold into what is presented here. The art department, under the guidance by Mr. Henry Walsh, added greatly to the book by creating the original sketches, and many props. The yearbook photographers were always on hand to catch the many candid shots which aid this book in capturing all the memorable occurrances that took place at Bassick High. Although the staff had many trying times, especially during the deadline period, they enjoyed presenting this yearbook to you. They believe that the Voice of 1955 speaks for itself in its significance.


First row, 1. to r.: Mildred Peters, Annette Kleban, Donna Anderson, Anna Mae Velky, Eileen Murray, Edith Lucas, Shirley Witkiewicz, Viola Jordhamo, Patricia Doyle, Nancy Roda, Beryl Swire, Charlotte Zwerdling, Ellen Bai.
Second row: Mr. Richard Mayer, Mary Ellen Grant, Mary Ann Parker, Pauline Halvady, Freda Zoulamis, Ellen Rosenfeld, Victoria DiDio, Nancy Zissell, Joan Wells, Helen Kish, Mary Ann Bochnak, Adrienne Ritz, Audrey Suhanosky, Marilou Galian, Mr. Henry Walsh.

Third row: Ann Jones, Sandra Booth, Joan Pruett, Virginia Shultz, Sandy Sargeant, Roberta Haley, Patrine Dabbs, Art Schipul, Seth Weingarten, Al Gratrix, Marge Nelson, Evelyn Hall, Marion Svihra, Barbara Esner, Judy Sagarin, Patty Siller, Ellyn Brown.
Fourth row: Ann Sugden, Mary Jane O'Donnell, Judy Ford, Mary Lou Tyer, Sally Goldman, Patricia Pramuka, Dorothy Birch, Otto Velez, Edmund Curran, Sandra Linde, Joann Fazekas, Grace Tvardzik, Linda Kimmerling, Iva Cagle, Harriette Dorman, Nancy Harvey.

CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY



## SPORTS

## CHEERLEADERS



Elaine Kelly, Alice Hartley, Joyce Sayball, Joan Piriczky, Nancy Harvey, Betsy Buckhout, Elaine Jacobs, Betty Ann Fazekas, Anita Kinsella, Eileen Crowley,

Mary Patalak, Sherril Sproviero. Front: Mary Ellen Kirk.


Under the tireless direction of Mrs. Myrtle Humphreys, who left Bassick during the year, the Cheering Squad has become the symbol of sparkling energy at Bassick. Early in the fall, hundreds of hopeful aspirants assembled in the gym for tryouts; only fourteen, however, were chosen for the squad. Long hours were spent in practice and development of songs and cheers. During the year these "human dynamos" attended every football and basketball game. With their never-ending energy, they cheered the team to victory and consoled them in defeat. The Cheerleaders participated in all pep assemblies, and presented hilarious skits' at the Thanksgiving Assembly. The girls are always on hand at Sports Nite and any other athletic function at Bassick. This year Mary Ellen Kirk is the captain of the Cheering squad. Everyone at Bassick will gladly "give a cheer" for the vim and vigor of these girls!

## FOOTBALL TEAM

Bassick's pigskin troup completed an exciting but disappointing season this year. Under the superb coaching of Mr. Herbert Harrington and assistant coach, Mr. Mitchell Kobus, the Lions fought through a difficult schedule. Led by the stars, Dick Wright and Bob Reath, Bassick emerged victorious in several fine games. One of the most important victories for the Green and White was the game which the team won from Central, our traditional city rivals. On Thanksgiving Day the mighty eleven, led by Co-Captains Mike Herrera and Charles Ginand, fought a loyal game from start to finish, and, although we emerged on the "short end" of the score, our team continued the long Bassick tradition and reputation for "fighting heart." Allan Aaron, manager, was always on hand when morale, as well as equipment, was needed. In every game that the Lions played this year, their true fighting spirit and unwavering loyalty displayed the fine sportsmanship of which Bassick has always been proud.


First row, 1. to r.: Captains - Charles Ginand, Michael Herrera.
Second row: Allan Konecny, Richard Wright, Paul MacVittie, Ronald Burde, Tony Lancia, Tony Jordhamo, Peter Rehl, Rudolph Forcier, Leonard Zargo.
Third row: Mr. Herbert Harrington, Allan Aaron, Robert Venman, Richard Tackacs, Clifford Carson, David

Reed, Raymond Bourque, John Naclzam, Ronald Fitzsimmons, Marvin Lebowsky, William Pratt, Jack Carpenter
Fourth row: Roger Wiznick, Fred Schempp, Albert Melhouse, Willard Doss, Robert Gleza, James Bannon, Robert Reath, Anthony Almassy, Vincent De Francesco, Richard Pataky.



## G.A.L.A.

The Girls' Athletic Leaders Association, or the G.A.L.A., helps to keep the girls of Bassick in the "Sports-Light" and to further their interest in sports. Any girl who has received 90 in gym- class or has obtained 50 points in outside activities such as bowling, hiking, swimming, soccer, or basketball is eligible for nomination into the G.A.L.A. But before she becomes a member, she must be initiated. This year, the new members were dressed as babies, complete with pablum and bottles. The G.A.L.A. sponsored several events this year, including Sports Night, All Girls' Day, and an assembly in which an animal act was featured. Under the direction of Mrs. Myrtle Humphreys, the officers of the club were: president, Larisa Kappel; vice-presidents, Mary Patalak and Marjorie Nelson; secretary, Betsy Buckhout; and treasurer, Julie Klafstad. In addition to learning more about sports, the members of the Girls' Athletic Leaders Association learn how to work together efficiently as a team.

First row, 1. to r.: Anna Kaku, Judy Randall, Miriam Flynn, Julie Klafstad, Betsy Buckhout, Larisa Kappel, Marge Nelson, Mary Patalak, Eleanor Tomer, Irene Devan, Elaine Plukas, Carol Trew.
Second row: Marie Magdefrau, Harriette Dorman, Mona Faulkner, Marilou Galian, Joy Kochiss, Dorothy Mikita, Arlene Fazekas, Eileen Crowley, Betty Ann Fazekas, Nancy Kinsella, Betty Lengel, Vicky Di Dio, Marcia Owen, Mary Ann Bochnak, Vera Samoskevich. Third row: Anne Kane, Emily Hahn, Sandra Booth,

Marion Svihra, Barbara Esner, Nancy Buckhout, Elaine Jacobs, Barbara Buell, Jane Stanne, Barbara Kalinski, Joan Gilbert, Evelyn Bugyi, Lillian Lenart, Judy Crosby, Ann Akoury, Grace Tvardzik, Nancy Roder.
Fourth row: Patricia Doyle, Nancy Roda, Beryl Swire, Joan Wells, Phyllis Whitney, Suyanne Wells, Beverly Banks, Anne Sugden, Ellen Rosenfeld; Iva Cagle, Mary Morris, Laura Campbell.



First row, 1. to r.: Mr. Harry Lyon, Carl Killian, James Kirk, Joseph Buckley, Jack Carpenter, Archie Helms. Second row: William Chantland, John Minely, James

Kacsmarik, Willard Doss, Robert McDonnell, Walter Gordon, Nicholas Adams.

The 1955 Basketball Team, led by captain "Vandy" Kirk, opened the season with a "bang" when they defeated Norwalk, Harding, and the Alumni. Dropping their 3-0 record, the team lost to Central and Bullard Havens Tech, but they made a comeback by defeating Danbury and Greenwich. Although the watchword of the Lions has always been "teamwork," some of the boys were outstanding in their own capacity. Captain "Vandy" Kirk was high scorer for the season with a seventeen point average per game, and John "String" Minely was second with an average of twelve points per game. "Corky" Gordon, Bob "Mac" McDonnell, and Jim Kacsmarik also turned in fine performances. Because of illness, Coach Harry Lyons was relieved during the season by Mr. Robert Hustek. "Lefty," a former Bassick hoop star, coached the team to a victory over Greenwich, and a very close loss to the New England Champions, Fairfield. Manager Bill Chantland was always on hand when he was needed. Whether in victory or defeat, the spirited teamwork of these boys was always loudly applauded by the entire student body.

## 1955 SCHEDULE

| Bassick | 51 | Norwalk | 39 | Bassick | 52 | Danbury | 55 |
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| Bassick | 59 | Harding | 56 | Bassick | 62 | Norwalk | 84 |
| Bassick | 49 | Alumni | 44 | Bassick | 48 | Central | 57 |
| Bassick | 64 | Central | 66 | Bassick | 47 | Bullard-Havens | 49 |
| Bassick | 44 | Bullard-Havens | 46 | Bassick | 55 | Harding | 61 |
| Bassick | 74 | Danbury | 44 | Bassick | 44 | Greenwich | 42 |
| Bassick | 52 | Greenwich | 48 | Bassick | 57 | Fairfield | 61 |
| Bassick | 48 | Stratford | 80 | Bassick | 43 | Stamford | 58 |
| Bassick | 54 | Stamford | 71 |  |  |  |  |

## BASKETBALL <br> TEAM



First row, 1. to r.: Alexander Dobieski, Georgia Poulos, Nancy Harvey, Jackie Latham, Shirley Witkiewicz, Vera Samoskevich, Viola Jordhamo, David Nealon.
Second row: Robert Fedak, James McCarthy, James Brennan, John O'Donnell, Rudy Forcier, William

Pratt, John Barabas, Bruce Eddy, Joe Romano, Mr. Neary.
Third row: Alan Konecny, Allan Aaron, Robert Middlebrook, Anthony Almassy, John Golden, Monroe Kohn, Jack Carpenter, Clifford Carson, James Roundeau.

## ATHLETIC DELEGATES



The Athletic Delegates of Bassick have completed one of their most successful years. Under the leadership of Mr. Charles Neary, athletic advisor, these boys and girls, one from each homeroom, plan activities and solicit financial support for the athletic funds. These students aid the cheerleaders and the G.A.L.A. in planning the annual Sports Nite and various other athletic events. One of the most important jobs that this committee accomplishes during the fall is the sale of Booster Tickets. As in previous years, it was voted that the Booster Tickets should provide for a reduction in admission to all basketball, football, and baseball home games. This year, the Delegates sold over 1,250 Booster Tickets. The Athletic Delegates work hand in hand with the Faculty Advisory Board and the Fathers' Club to plan clean enjoyment for the students. Officers of the group this year include: Jackie Latham, president; Nancy Harvey, vice-president; Shirley Witkiewicz, secretary; and Vera Samoskevich, treasurer.

## BASEBALL TEAM

Backed by the spirited coaching of Mr. Herbert Harrington, Bassick's baseball team of 1954 reached great heights in the local sports world. Sparkplugs of the "fine nine" were pitcher Bob Santo, catcher Bob Felner, and first-baseman Jerry MacDougall. Through the brilliant playing of these boys and their teammates, Bassick attained the City Championship for the second consecutive year. The Lions have maintained this championship ten times in the past nineteen years. Bob Felner led the team with a batting average of .383 . Bob Santo pitched a no-hitter which led the team to city championship. The highlight of the season was the last game with Roger Ludlowe. After
 a spirited contest of fifteen innings, the Lions emerged victorious by a score of $5-4$. Out of thirteen games played, the Green and White conquered their opponents in eight games. With a fine record such as this, Bassick can be proud of the boys on the baseball team!

Kneeling: 1. to r.: Pete Cummings, Gerald Mac Dougall. First row: Vinnie Marro, Russell Raphaely, Bob Felner, Fred Schempp, Bob Reath, Harry Lindberg, Clifford La Rose, Roster Caple, Bob Gerics.

Second row: Mr. Herbert Harrington, Vandy Kirk, Jack Buckley, Garry Engler, Bob McDonnell, David Gazlay, Ralph Santo, Vincent Panza, Joe Buckley, Mr. Harry Lyon.



First row, 1. to r.: Robert Caserta, Blake Patterson, Stephen Bessemer, Seth Weingarten, Glenn Canfield, Jack Carpenter, Roland Caserta.

Second row: Mr. Charles Carr, Mr. Harry Lyon, Lester Dober.

## TENNIS

TEAM


In spite of a wet season, Bassick's 1954 Tennis Team retained its exceptional record. The team, under the management of Lester Dober, and under the direction of Mr. Charles Carr, played nine matches. Originally, plans were made for sixteen or eighteen matches, but because of the weather, these games could not be played. The team, headed by Steve Bessemer and Arnold Fagan, won eight out of the nine matches played. They played Portland, the State Champions, twice and won on both occasions. When they played against Hamden, they met with similar success. Although the team did not succeed in winning the County Championship, it did place fourth in the State Tournament. Any day after school from September to November, and from April to June the members of the Tennis Team can be found practicing at the Laurel Courts. Hard practice, good spirit, and skillful direction are three good reasons for Bassick's excellent record in tennis.

One of the most impressive groups in Bassick is the Baton Twirlers. These skillful girls, under the direction of Mrs. Myrtle Humphreys, who left Bassick during the year, perform their twirling and marching stunts at every football game and pep assembly. Everyone fondly recalls the glorious display these girls exhibited at the Thanksgiving game when, along with the Bassick band, they presented the half-time entertainment. The twirlers must spend many hours practicing their stunts to perfect the intricate routines which they so expertly execute at all their appearances. The flashy green and white uniforms and the high plumed hats that these girls wear have become symbolic of the Baton Twirlers, and are well known to all Bassickites. This year, Grace Tvardzik was the Captain of the Twirling Squad. The squad was very fortunate to have as a member Joy Weisgerber, an ace baton twirler who has earned many medals and awards for her performances. Recently, the girls added a new spark to their squad in the person of Harriette Dorman, a fine acrobat, whose daring stunts thrill her audience every time. Although the Baton Twirling Squad is only five years old, Bassickites are confident of the continued success which will be theirs in the future.


BATON TWIRLERS

Left to right: Ruth Urbis, Dorothy Mikita; Arlene Fazekas, Eunice Bunnell, Rita Steusalitus, Marlene Smith, Cecelia Masaitis, Rozanne Sweedo, Joyce

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