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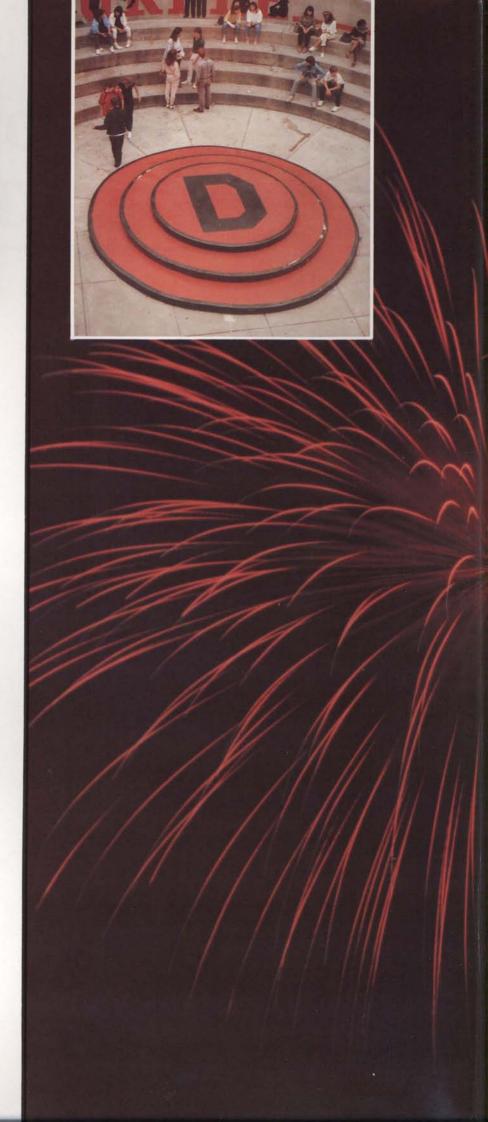


B.M.C. Durfee High School Of Fall River, MA

360 Elsbree Street Volume Seventy-Five



Congratulations Class of 1987! We've finally completed the foundation of our learning. We've done it. We deserve to celebrate. A special celebration: one for our four years of work and one for the 100 years behind us. As part of the Centennial Graduation Class Celebrate!

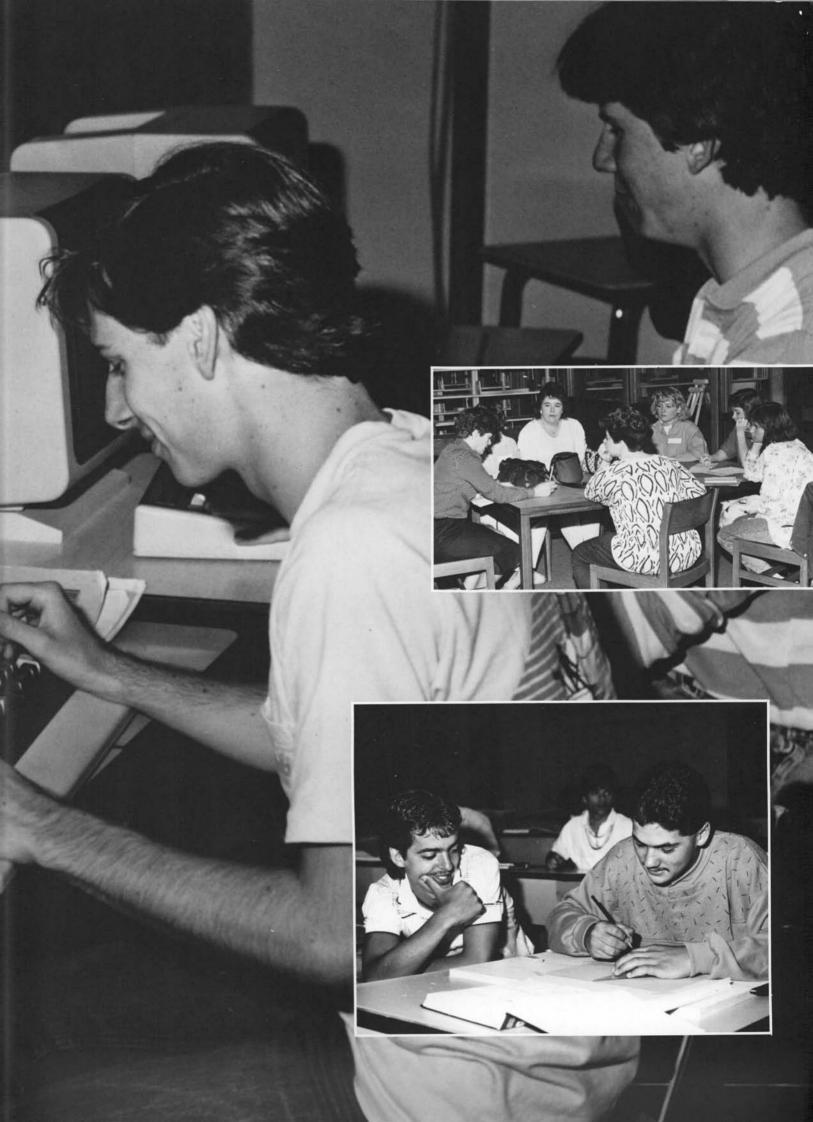


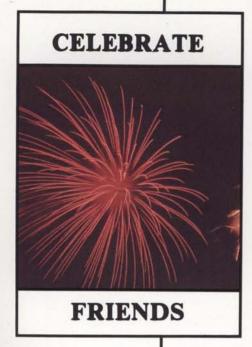


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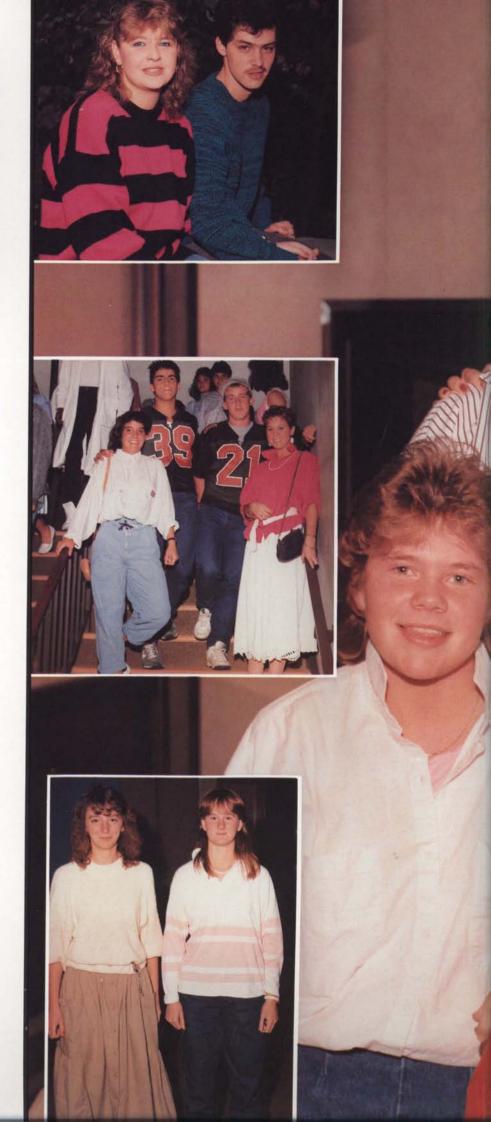
We celebrate the classes. We appreciate the teachers and the rooms that held us, and our attention, for 42 minutes. It was time well spent in preparing us for the future.







We celebrate friends. The most important thing we could have learned at Durfee is that true friendship is the best thing in life. In our four years of Durfee, we all have found, or kept, several people close to us and considered them special as we shared and learned with them.







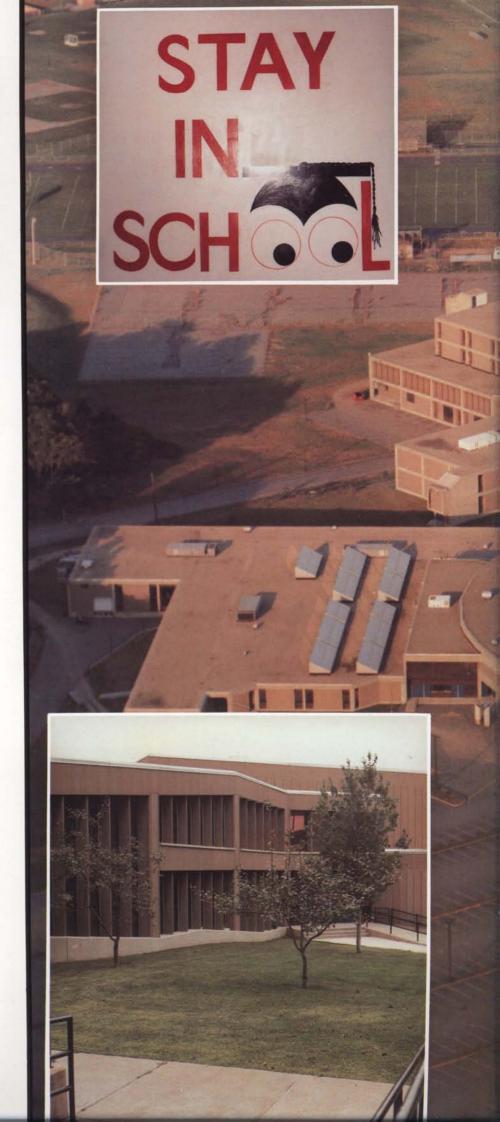
We celebrate
the activities
our faculty
organized
so that we could
participate.
These clubs
gave students
the best
opportunities
to learn
what they were
interested in
with others
as interested
as they were.
It was
difficult work,
but well worth it.

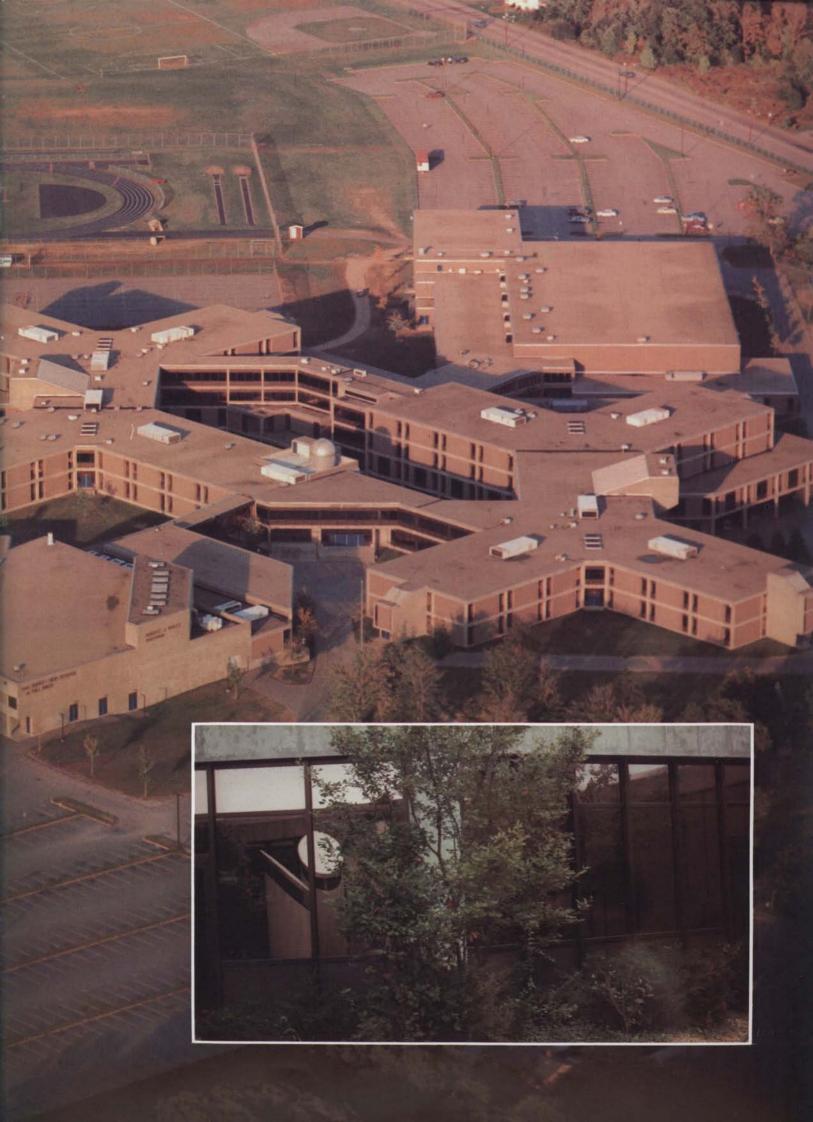




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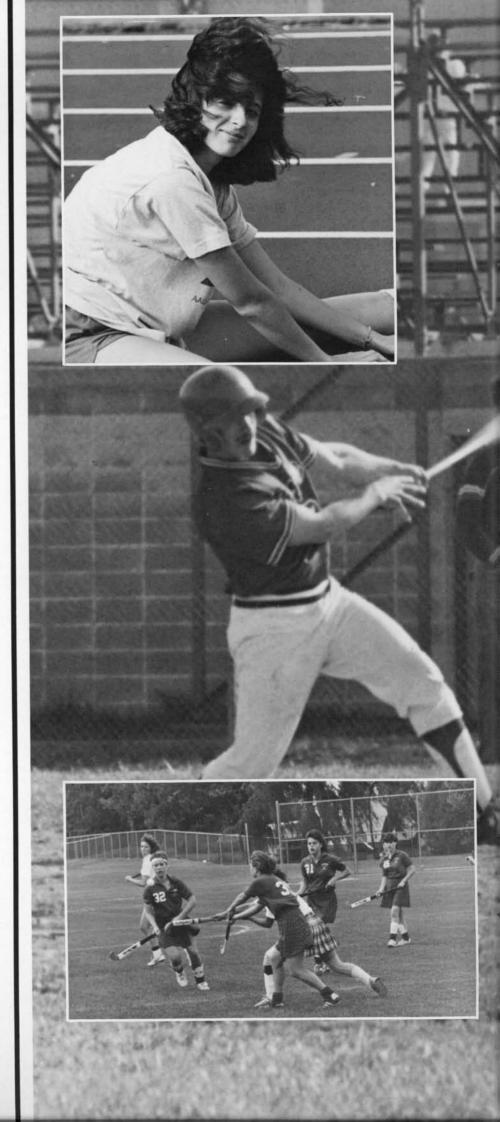
We celebrate
B.M.C. Durfee
High School
of Fall River.
This building
opened its doors
for us every
morning
and became our
learning center
until 2:03.
This building held
and served us well.







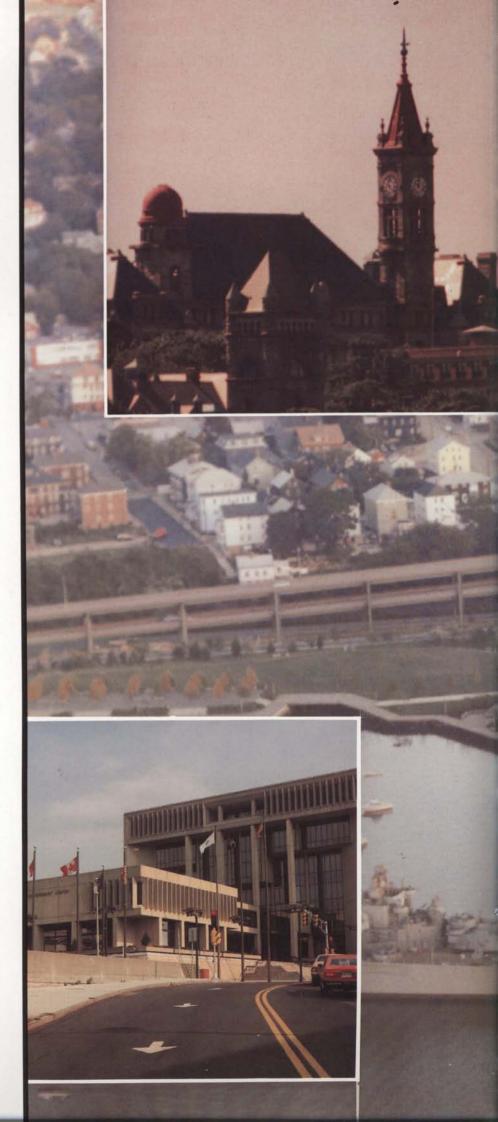
We celebrate the athletic opportunities Durfee offered us. We thank the coaches and the administrators for the opportunity, instruction, time and patience it took to form our students into working and winning teams.

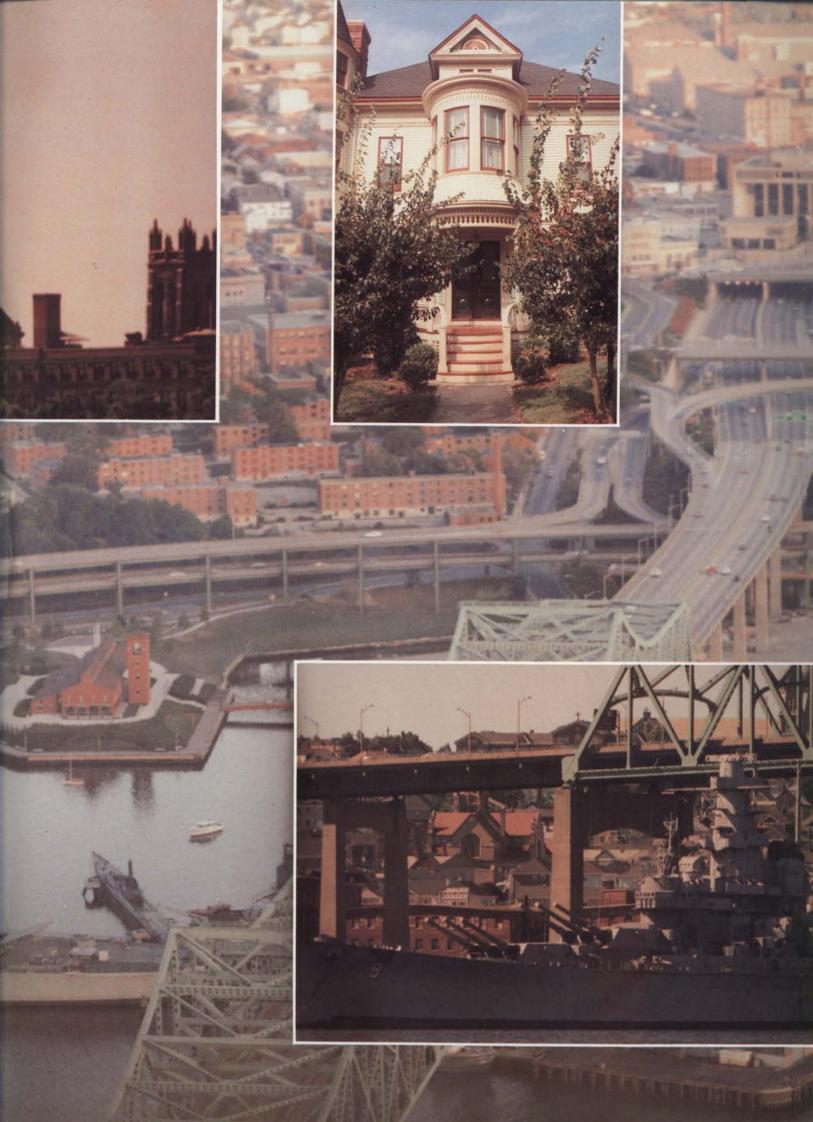






We celebrate
the world
around us.
As we graduate,
we look at the
community
that supported us.
Places where
we played,
lived, and learnedwe'll never
forget them.



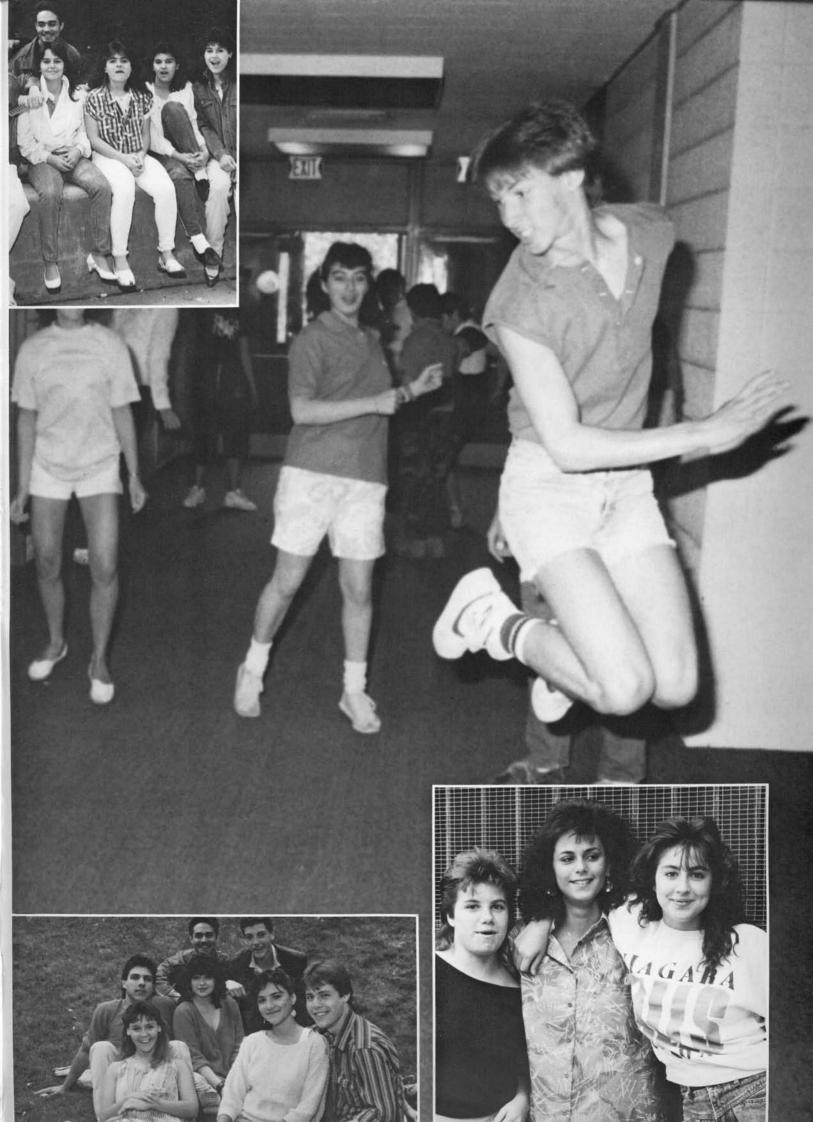


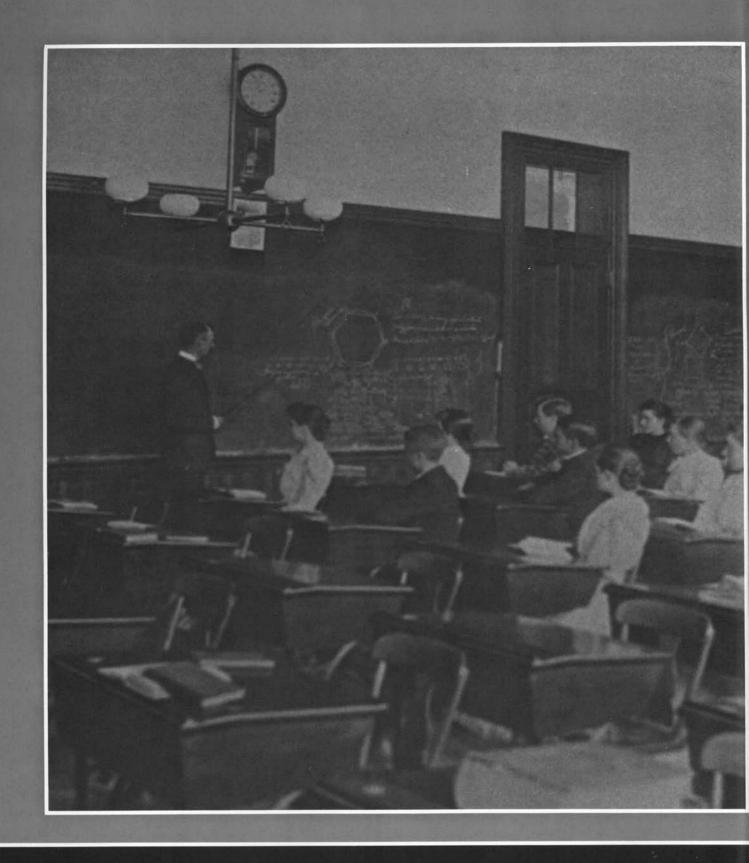
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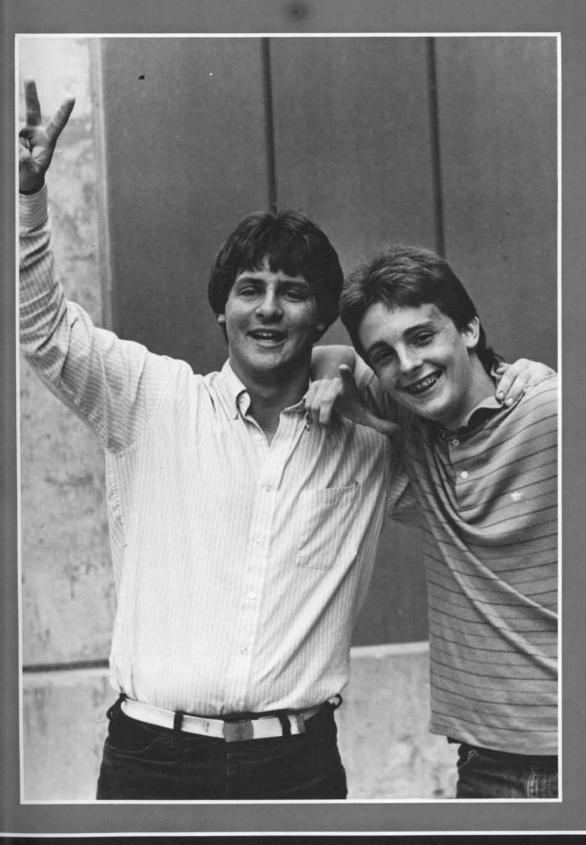
We celebrate each other.
Look and see other graduates around you.
People who've worked as long and hard as you have.
Congratulate your classmates.
You made it together.
Celebrate!







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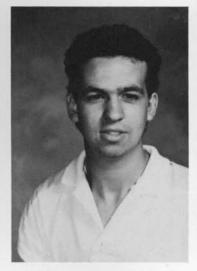
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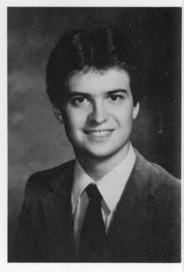
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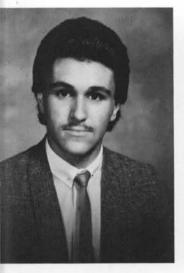
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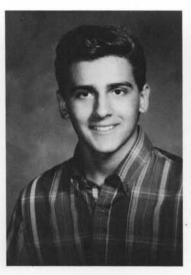
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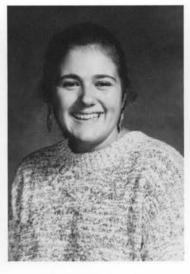
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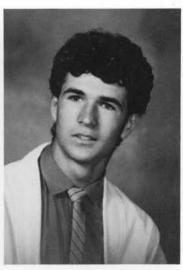
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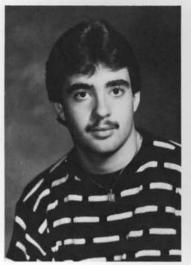
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Denise C. Audette



Cheryl A. Avilla



Rosemarie A. Baker



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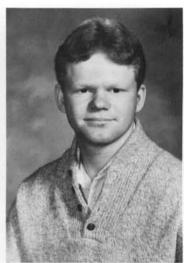
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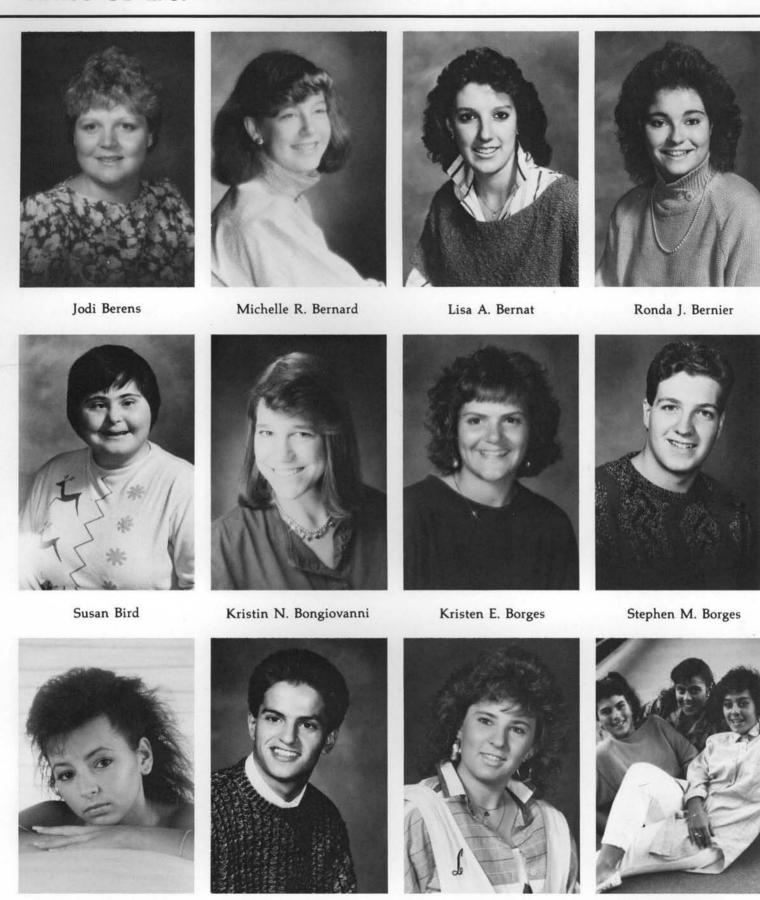


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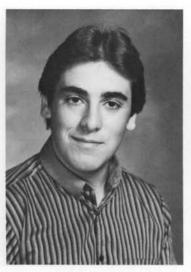
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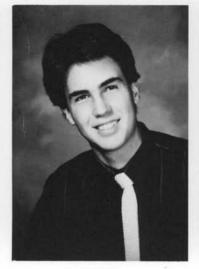




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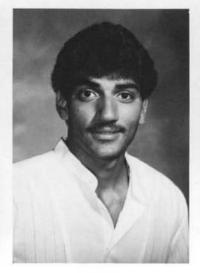
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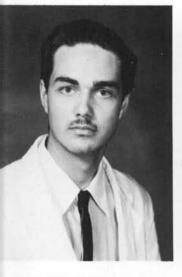
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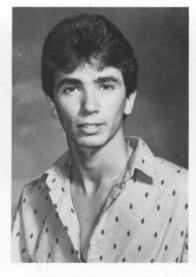
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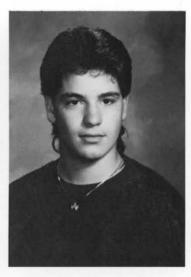
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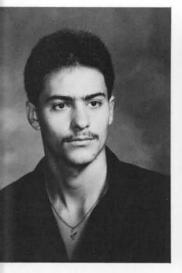


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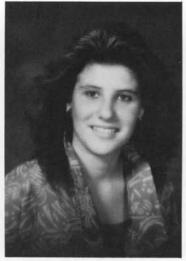


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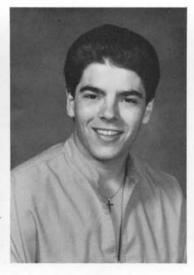
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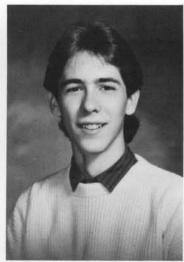
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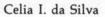
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Patricia DeFusco



Linda Demelo



Antonio de Melo



Gina Denardo



Madeline Correia



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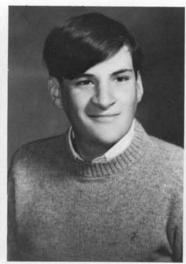
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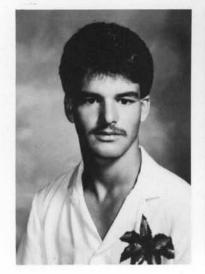
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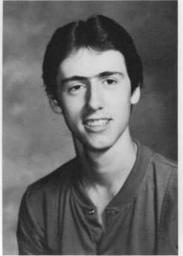
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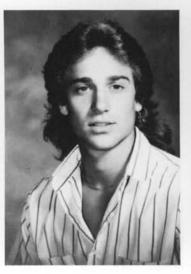
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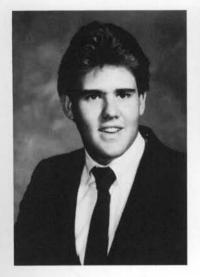
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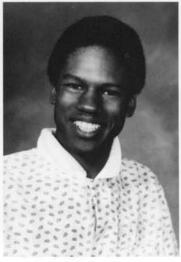
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Christine Faria



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Cynthia A. Farias



Brian J. Farquhar



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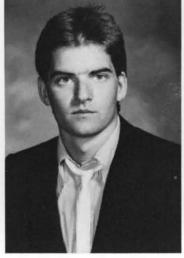
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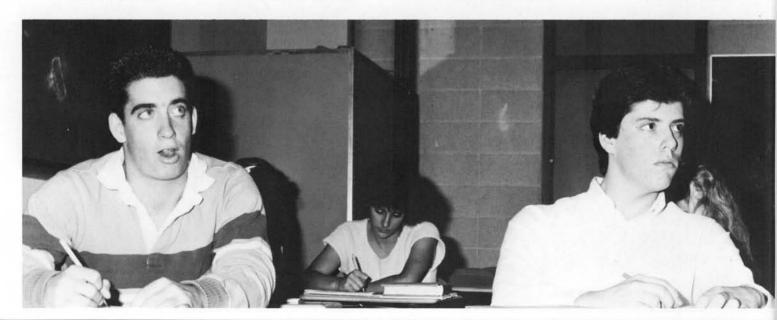
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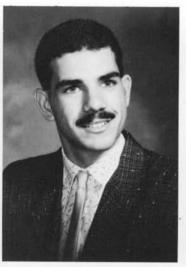
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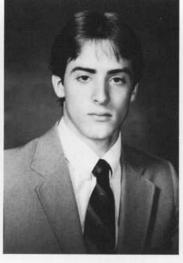
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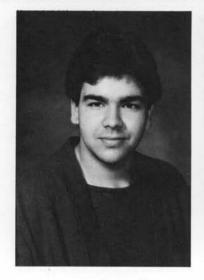
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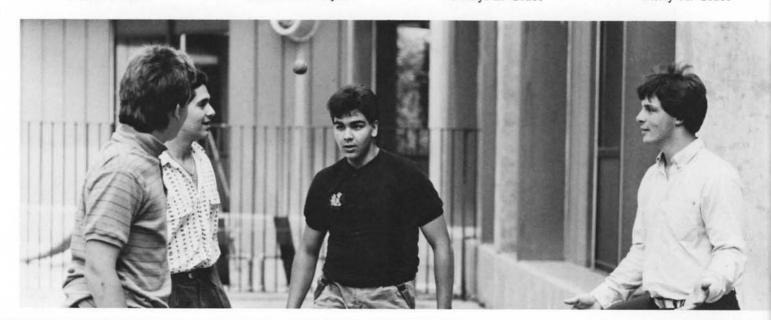
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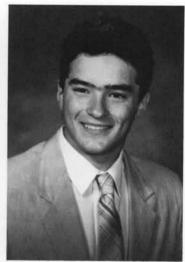
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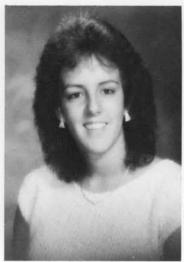
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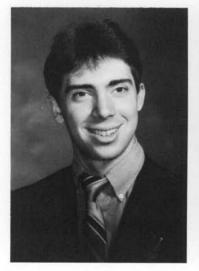
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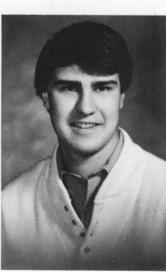
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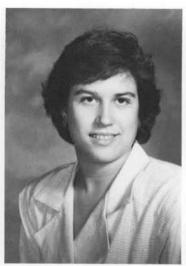
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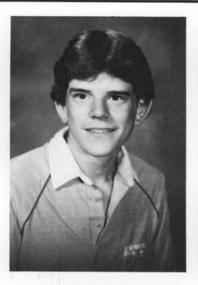
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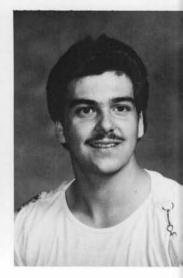
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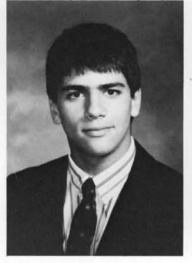
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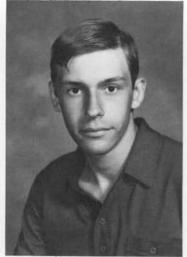


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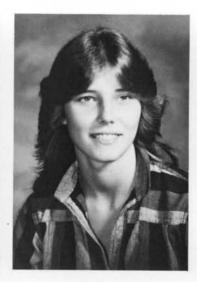
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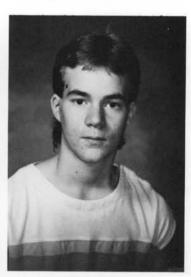
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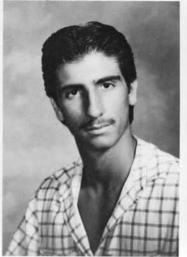
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Michelle McDermott



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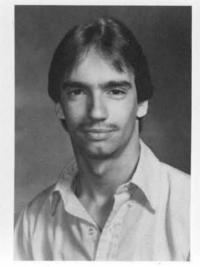




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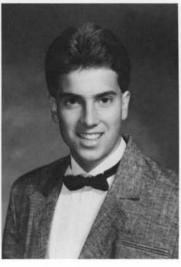
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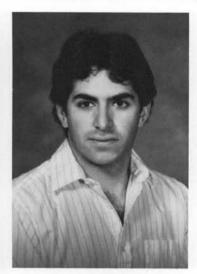
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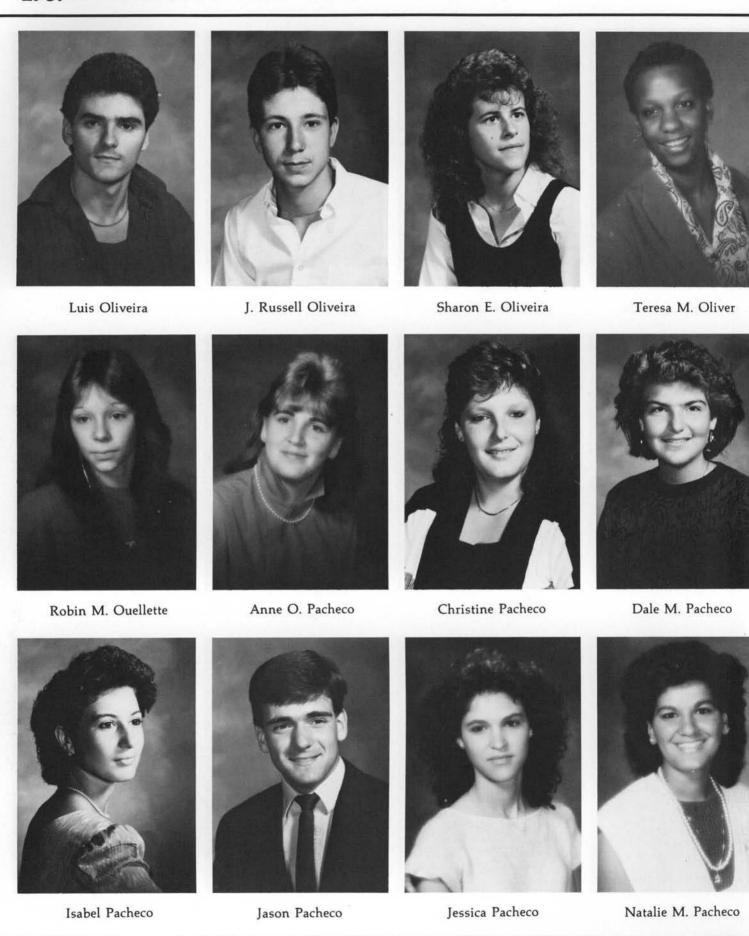
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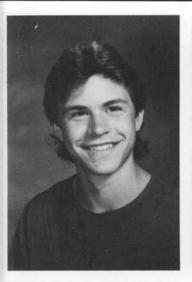


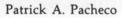
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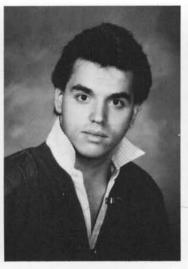


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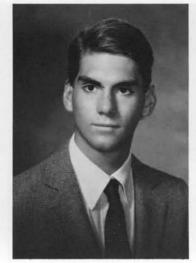




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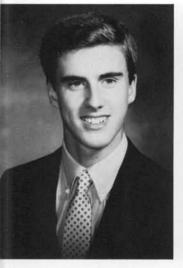
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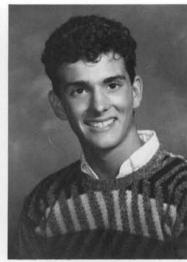
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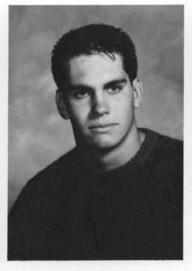
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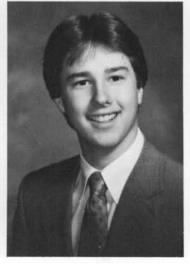
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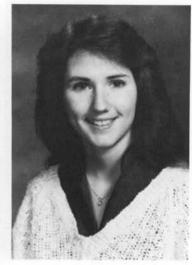
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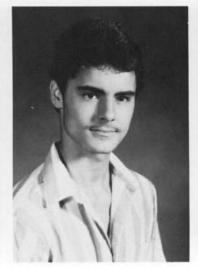
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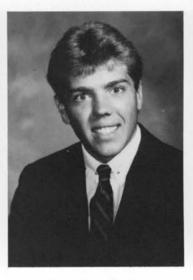
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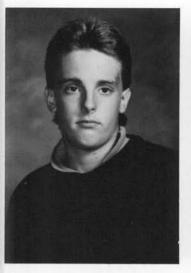
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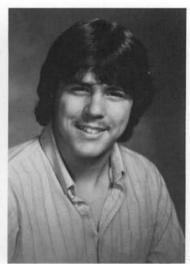
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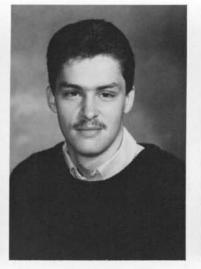
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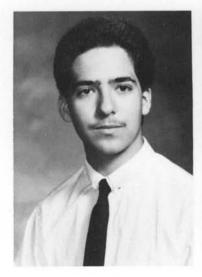
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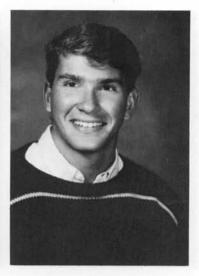
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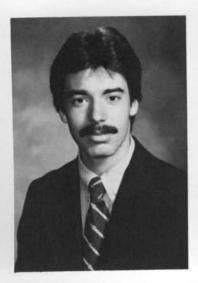
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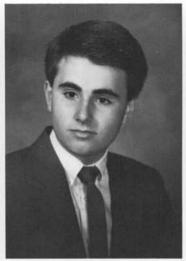


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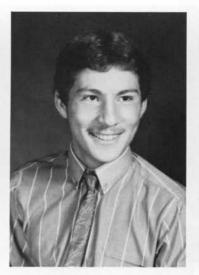




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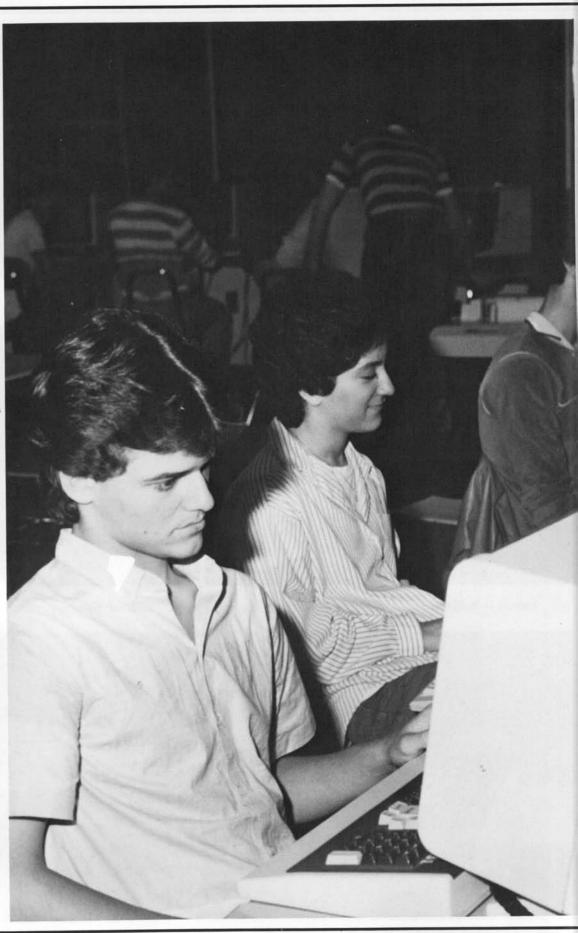
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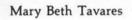


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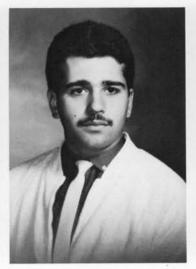
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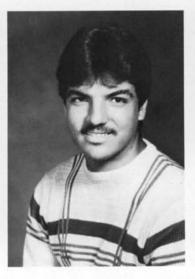
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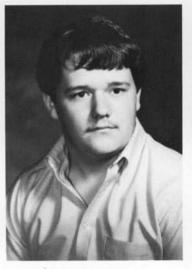
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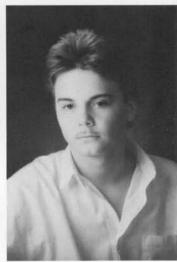
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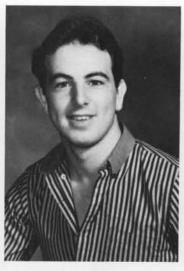
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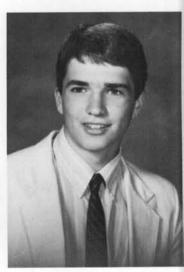
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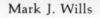
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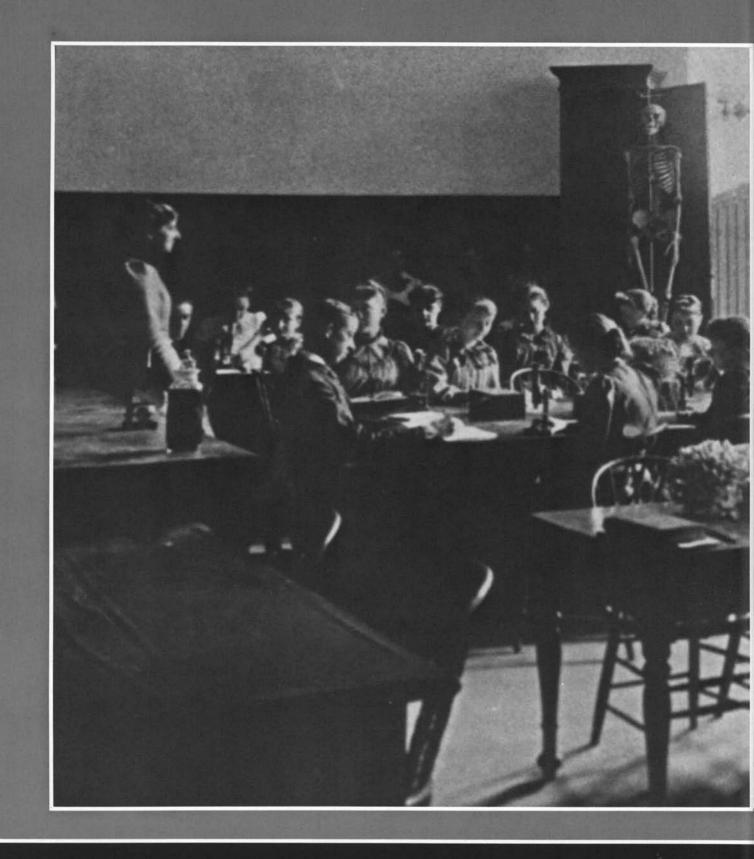
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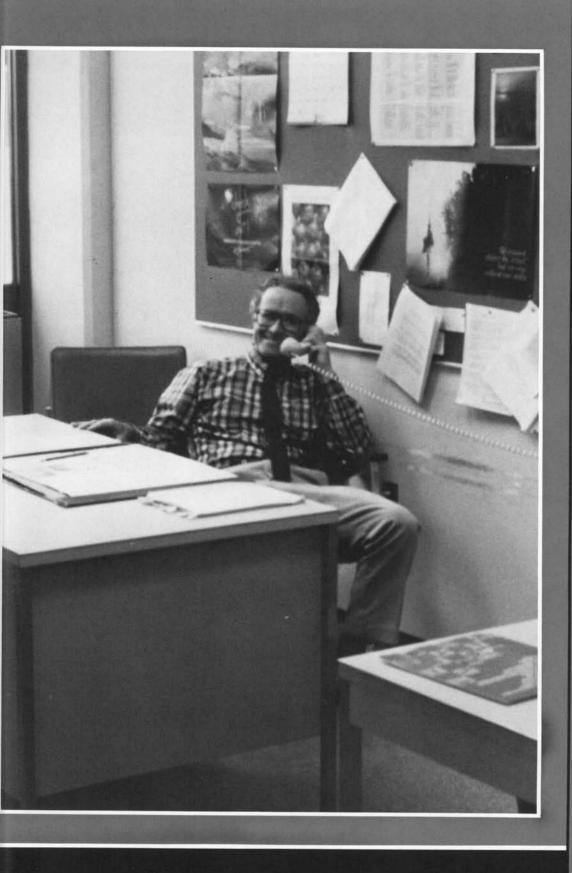
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John R. Correiro Superintendent

To the Class of 1987:

High School graduation is one of the major milestones of your young lives. Hopefully, it is only one of many you will experience as you mature to adulthood and success in your chosen fields.

Today, however, is a celebration for you and your families; a celebration of accomplishment; a celebration of completing your prescribed course of high school studies, and the celebration of the beginning of your adult lives.

In celebrating this important passage, remember the lessons taught by your teachers at Durfee, and in the public schools; remember with joy and appreciation the happy times of high school; and remember with an eye to the future, the challenges that high school posed to you, and which you met successfully. And finally, remember the support of your parents and the pride they express in your accomplishments today. From all of us in the Public Schools - Good luck and God Bless you all!

John R. Correiro Superintendent of Schools

Administration



James S. Panos Principal

As members of the one-hundredth graduating class of Durfee High School, you carry on a proud tradition of excellence. From every report, you especially have been an outstanding class in every way, and you are therefore especially well qualified to be the centennial class.

When, in the year 2012, you are having your twenty-fifth reunion, you will be much older, just possibly much wiser, your ranks thinned by classmates who have passed on; and you will look back upon your distinctive role as Durfee centennaries with a real sense of pride and satisfaction, not only for what Durfee has given you these past four years, but for what you have given Durfee. Your contributions to the life and spirit and excellence of Durfee will have become part of this great school's history.

I congratulate you on becoming a part of the living traditions that are continuing into their second century. Welcome to that great gathering of proud alumni one hundred years strong!

James S. Panos Principal



Marina Ventura, vice-principal



William Molloy, vice-principal



George Kelly, vice-principal



John Kiley, vice-principal



Vincent Fitzgerald, admin. assistant



NORMAND PHENIX senior advisor



RAYMOND MEDEIROS, SR. junior advisor



WILLIAM BRADBURY business



MARGARET CURT sophomore advisor



ELAINE MORRIS freshman advisor



MICHAEL CRANE mathematics



JEROME MARQUES foreign language



JEAN MIZAK special needs



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JOHN BRANCO library



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HAZEL DONNELLY social studies



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THOMAS KARAM athletics



JOHN PIETRUSZKA English



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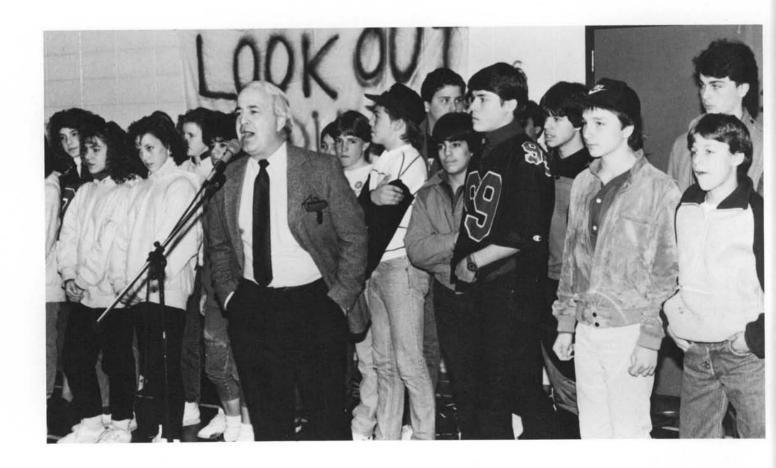
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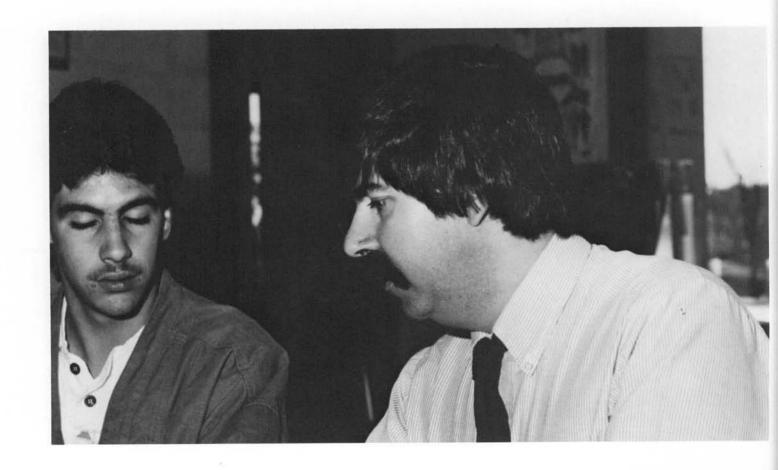
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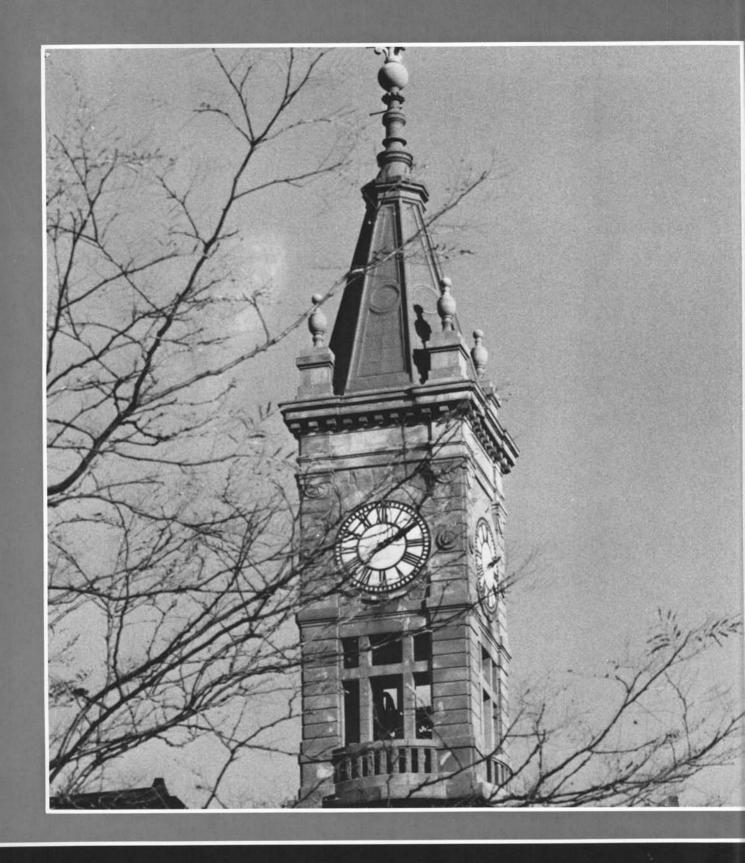


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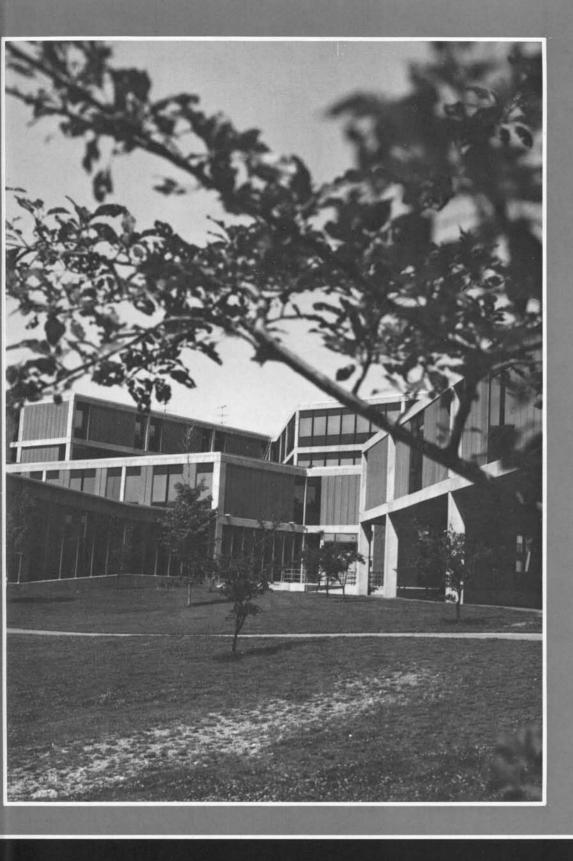
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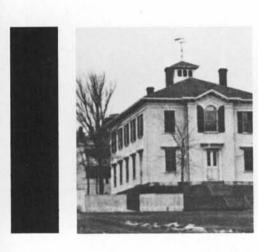
HISTORY



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100 YEARS OF



Although we celebrate B.M.C. Durfee High School of Fall River's centennial this year, the history of secondary education in the city goes back more than 100 years. A private local high school opened on May 10, 1849, but the first building erected for the purpose of educating its youth was built by the town in 1852. George B. Stone, headmaster of the private school on Franklin Street, was appointed first principal of the wooden Fall River High School on June Street.

The opening of the school was just a beginning. In 1874, Fall River became the first city to provide free textbooks to all pupils. However, with the city's concern about education, came even more students who wanted to be educated -- more students than the high school building

could handle.

Due to the overcrowded situation, a new building was planned in 1882. It became a reality in 1883, as a result of a lavish gift from Mrs. Mary B. Young, in memory of her son Bradford Matthew Chaloner Durfee. On June 15, 1887, the new B.M.C. Durfee High School on Rock Street opened with William H. Lambert as its principal. The impressive granite structure with its clock tower and observatory was considered by most to be the finest educational facility on the east coast.

In 1890, Lambert died. Shortly after his death, the students raised enough money to pay for a statue of the man who had directed the move from the small wooden high school to the majestic new facility. The bust of Lambert was displayed for many years in the study hall of the Durfee building. It is now

on display in the principal's office of the new high school on Elsbree Street.

Just one year later, the Durfee community suffered another loss. In March of 1891, the school's

benefactor, Mary B. Young, died.

Other changes affecting the school were also taking place. Doctor Robert F. Leighton, who succeeded Lambert as principal, retired after a short stay. His successor, Charles C. Ramsey also surprised the community by resigning in 1902 to work for a mining firm.

George F. Pope took over temporarily, followed by John R. Ferguson. He, too, stayed but a short

time, transfering to the Brayton Avenue Grammar School.

In 1911, work began on the Fall River Technical High School. To make room, the old Fall River High School was demolished. It had been renamed the Foster Hooper School and used as a grammar school.

The Technical High School was completed in 1913, with William H. Dooley as its principal. Besides offering technical and business courses, it provided facilities for students who were already beginning to crowd the Durfee building.

EXCELLENCE

Principal Dooley outlined the purpose of the Technical High School in January 1914. He wrote, "The Fall River Technical High School represents the type of high school that is meeting with great success throughout the country." The new high school was called upon to meet the new educational needs of the growing industrial nation.

When the school first opened, the aim of the girls' courses was to develop womanly attributes and to train for the home and other feminine occupations. Because of this philosophy, it became necessary to

separate the boys from the girls in most classes.

Dooley also pointed out that there were enough extracurricular activities available. The following clubs were established in the school: Debating Club for the boys, Arts and Crafts Club for girls, Mathematics Club, Power Club, Mechanical Drawing Club, German Club, French Club, and Dramatic Club for girls.

During the first years of the high school, pupils were admitted without passing any examinations,

and left without any type of ceremony. No diplomas were given.

In the city, an influenza epidemic occurred in 1918, and the technical building was converted into a hospital. That same year, B.M.C. Durfee High School and the Fall River Technical High School merged.

Charles K. Moulton served as principal, succeeding Dooley and Durfee Principal Frederick W. Plummer. The freshmen and sophomores were housed in the Technical Building, and the juniors and

seniors used the Durfee building.

In 1924, other new courses included household economics "to train girls to keep house in a practical way so that in later life there will be no wastefulness."

Also started in 1924 were drama and debating courses, which later

were required of all seniors.

During the 1920's, another Durfee institution was started. In 1921, the Durfee Hilltop, the school's newspaper began publication. It followed the Premier, Fall River High School and Durfee's first publication, and the Tech Quarterly, published at the Technical High School.

The freshman class was transfered from the Technical Building to the new James Madison Morton Junior High School building on November 1, 1926. Ninth graders from the South End attended Henry

Lord Junior High School.

The year of 1927 was not a completely pleasant one for the students. The name of the school was changed back to Fall River High School. The graduating class and alumni were not pleased and raised their voices in protest.



DURFEE:

100 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

On April 10, 1927, a major tragedy struck. The Technical Building was completely destroyed by fire. Despite the sadness aroused, the students still followed through with plans for

graduation.

In the June issue of Durfee Hilltop, there was some good news. As a class gift, the Durfee clocks were illuminated. Lights were placed on the sides of the building, aiming up at the black clock faces. The gift was valued at \$227. To raise the money, each student brought in 50 cents. Principal Charles V. Carroll accepted the gift on June 17, 1927.

B.M.C. Durfee High School returned in January of 1928. The school was renamed by a five to four vote of the School

Committee.

A new Technical Building opened in September of 1930, offering modern facilities to the students of Fall River. Not all was good that year however; 1930 also brought about the creation of the Fall River Finance Board. The state fiscal watchdog agency was established when the city defaulted on its bonds.

Throughout the city, a feeling of powerlessness lived on, due to the loss of financial control. At the high school, however, the newspaper was attempting to do something about school

In 1931, the Durfee Hilltop sponsored a song writing contest. The winning composition was to be used as the school anthem. It was suggested that the music be taken from the Cornell Alma Mater Song.

The eventual winner of the contest was John Watkinson, a member of the class of 1931. His words continue to be sung

today.

The fall of 1933 brought about two decisions which involved the passing between the two buildings which made up Durfee. Walks were suggested leading from the west side of Durfee down to Rock Street, and plans were presented at the School Committee meeting.

Permission to close Rock Street to traffic for five minute intervals was granted to Principal Carroll by Police Chief Abel J. Violette and Commissioner of Public Works Thomas J. Logan. School traffic officers were given the responsibility of placing the signs and seeing that they were obeyed.

The traffic pattern was not the only change in the high school area. Not far from the school at Alumni Field, alter-

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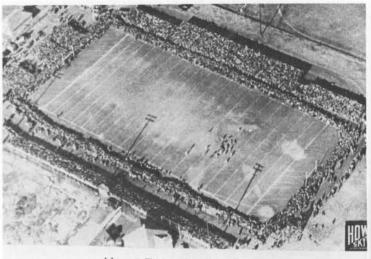
Improvements to Alumni Field, which opened in 1907, were made in the early 1930's. New bleachers were dedicated on November 5, 1932, providing a seating capacity of approximately 2500 people. A strip of land consisting of 600 feet by 30 feet improved the baseball diamond and a quarter mile track was added in the fall of 1933.

In 1934, Bishop James E. Cassidy started a drive for funds to build a new dug-out at the field. The \$1,000 contributionj he made set off a drive which resulted in over \$10,000 in donations for the dug-out fund. The dedication was held on November 17, 1934.

Mills continued to close in the 1930's. In April of 1935, the Hilltop reacted by urging the community leaders and students to write letters to the President of the United States, asking for aid to New England textile industries.



The original Technical High School building faced June Street.



Alumni Field, Thanksgiving 1946

Also in the 1930's, John Mann was given approval by the Works Progress Administration to paint murals on the walls of the auditorium in the Technical Building. He investigated the history of Fall River in the Public Library and began painting his murals in the Westall School and completed them in the Weetamoe Mill.

The first set of murals, which are still intact in what is now the Matthew J. Kuss Middle School, deals with the local Indians. The second focuses on the Revolutionary War to the 1860's. In the background, the murals present scenes from Fall River's cotton mills.

As Mann recorded the history of the city, an important part of it ended. The Fall River Line, with its majestic white steam-

ships, ceased operation in 1937.

When the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor in 1941, the school became involved with the war effort. During fifth period, students listened to radios in the Technical, Durfee, and Westall auditoriums, and heard history being made. They heard President Franklin Roosevelt asking Congress for a declaration of war against Japan.

The students took the situation seriously and waited to find out how they could help defend their country. Throughout the

war, Durfee students provided support.

Christmas of 1945 was the first peaceful Christmas after four years of fighting, which resulted in the loss of men and money. World War II also taught the students as no other war in the history of the world how destructive mankind may be.

The end of the war effort also brought the end of a local crisis. The Finance Board ended its monitoring of city finances, and after World War II, Fall River began to attract the garment industry in a big way. Many women found jobs in the shops, and the Firestone plant provided work for many city men.

In 1946, veterans studied to receive their high school diplomas. At least 160 former members of the armed forces entered

the high school in the fall.

Luke Urban was credited with developing its youth on the athletic fields of Durfee. Mr. Urban came to Fall River in 1940 to work in the high school athletic program as head coach of basketball, baseball and football. As a student at Technical High School, he had dominated the playing fields. Later, as coach, he rallied the teams to victory. He served as athletic director from 1948-1967.

In 1947, seniors voted to wear caps and gowns for the first time in Durfee's history. The rental fee for the cap and gown was \$2.00, but this eliminated the expense of white dresses for

the girls.

Charles V. Carroll, principal of B.M.C. Durfee High School since 1925, died at home on October 9, 1952. The announcement of his death was made in home room on October 10th, and school was dismissed for the day.

Mr. Ambrose F. Keeley was selected principal in December of 1952. The libraries in the schools, both new and old, carry

his name.

Succeeding Keeley as principal was Robert J. Nagle. He had been vice principal at Henry Lord Junior High School, as well as a classroom teacher, before his appointment in 1960.



The assassination of President John F. Kennedy in November of 1963, and the increasing involvement in Vietnam, changed the feeling of the country. Young people left Fall River to find better economic opportunities elsewhere.

In 1968, the Englehardt Report pointed out the desperate need for a new high school. In 1969, protests hit the Durfee campus. Students were trying to get rid of a dress code which prohibited long hair, and jeans, and forced girls to wear dresses or skirts. In the end, the dress code was changed, and the newspaper took the position that the radicals were just a small percentage of the 2036 students in the school.

In August of 1970, the city of Fall River assured that the senior class would graduate from an accredited school, and the students of the city would have a modern high school.

Principal Thomas W. Hammond retired at the end of the 1971 school year. Succeeding Hammond in the fall of 1972 was James F. Nicoletti. His tenure was fairly short, with Edward P. Morgan appointed to the office in 1975.

The new high school was scheduled to open the next fall. The same year, other changes were made. The bilingual program went into effect, enabling non-English speaking stu-

dents to use the school.

There were still other modifications. A demerit system replaced detention as the form of punishement specified by a new discipline code. Team teaching, open classrooms, identification cards, and rotating schedules were among the changes made in anticipation of the modern school.

The new school also included a courtyard, a modern gymnasium, which had showers in both the boys and the girls locker rooms, as well as an indoor pool. There was also a large, fully equipped auditorium, sprawling, carpetted hallways and well-

lighted classrooms.

In May of 1978, the sophomores and juniors, along with the existing faculty, began the transition to the new high school on

Elsbree Street.

The new complex opened in October of 1978, after the city's first teachers' strike was resolved. When the doors of the new 27.5 million dollar school opened, it housed nearly 4,000 students and more than 200 staff members.

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Another change which coincided with the opening of the school was the appointment of a new principal. James S. Panos was named to to post of the huge concrete complex in the fall of 1978.

In November of the same year, the football field on Elsbree Street was dedicated to Malcolm P. Aldrich. Ceremonies to honor the 79 year old alumnus were held on Thanksgiving Day, during half-time ceremonies at the Durfee-New Bedford game.

Aldrich was born in Fall River in 1900 to the late Stanley A. and Jane S. Aldrich. He attended B.M.C. Durfee High School where his football talent began to show.

After graduating from Durfee, he entered Yale University. In 1920, Aldrich was injured in a shoe hop tackle with Luke Urban, but he returned in 1921 stronger than ever.

Aldrich did maintain his Fall River contacts. In 1922, he returned to Fall River to referee the Durfee-New Bedford game. He also recieved an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from Bradford Durfee College of Technology, which merged with a New Bedford institution to become Southeastern Massachusetts University.

Less than a month later, Aldrich's contemporary, Luke Urban, received a similar honor. The massive field house was dedicated to Urban on December 15, 1978.

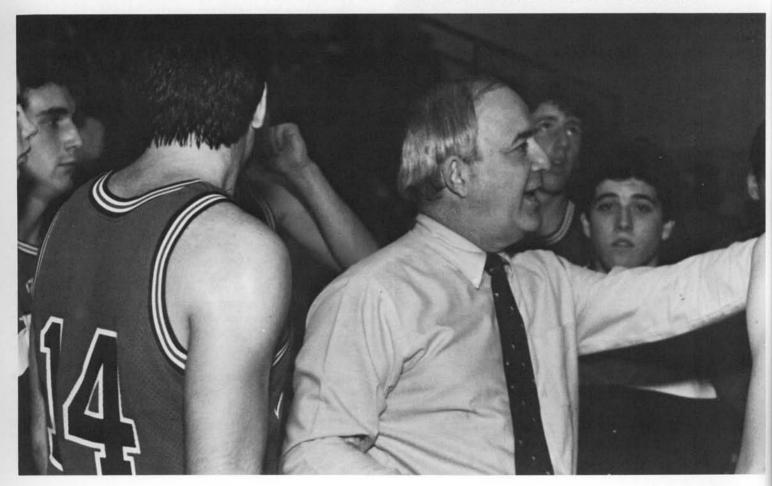
At the time of the dedication, Urban was asked for a highlight from his long high school coaching career. He mentioned the 1948 basketball team which won the Eastern Massachusetts championship and went on to defeat Westerly for the New England title.

In March of 1980, the old telescope was moved from Rock Street to the new high school. The telescope was cleaned, and restored by students under the direction of teacher Dennis Howarth. Once completed, the telescope was housed in a new aluminum dome, donated by Durfee alumnus Dr. Roger Violette.

With the tower no longer part of the new school, a more appropriate symbol was being searched out. In 1980, John Connell, a teacher at the high school, designed a new logo. It consisted of the words "B.M.C. Durfee Hilltoppers" in the form of a mountain, with two students climbing the crest to reach their goals.

Having overseen the move to the new high school, Robert J. Nagle retired as Superintendent of Schools on August 30, 1980. He had been in charge of local education for 17 years. John R. Correiro was selected to replace Nagle, and he continues to serve as Fall River's Superintendent today.

In the fall of 1980, Proposition 2 1/2 hit the state. By limiting the the level of taxation, it produced severe cut-backs in the offerings at the high school. It also provided new challenges which Durfee and the rest of the city schools met.





Despite Proposition 2 1/2, Durfee continued to develop new ways to serve the community. In 1981, the school's television studio began broadcasting over the local cable network. During the same year, the orchestra travelled to Vienna, Austria to represent North America in a music festival.

Keeley Library in the new Durfee High School was the site of the Fall River Historical Exposition in the fall of 1981. An impressive group of displays saluted the city's rich past in the

school's large library.

After being open for several years, B.M.C. Durfee High School of Fall River was officially dedicated on November 1, 1981. Among the invited guests were Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Mayor Carlton M. Viveiros.

Local educators and civic leaders going back to 1968, when the plans to build a new high school began, also were in attendance. The festivities were held in the Nagle Auditorium and saluted the traditions and potential of Durfee High School.

The contributions of student journalists in Fall River were recalled in January of 1982 when the Durfee Hilltop celebrated 100 years of high school newspapers in the city. Highlighted by a 160 page hard-cover book called In Print, edited by Hilltop advisor Michael J. Vieira, the occasion recalled the first newspaper, the Premier, which began publication in 1882, and its successors, the Tech Quarterly and the Durfee Hilltop.

The Work Experience Program and the Mentor Program were designed to meet the needs of certain students in the school. Both were started in 1983.

The Work Experience Program, coordinated by Glenda Goldberg, made its debut at Durfee in 1983. Funded jointly by the school and local businesses, it allows students to leave school early and receive credit for working.

The Mentor Program, headed first by Helen Marie Booth and now by Elaine Kyriakakis, brings students and experts

together for an enriching experience.

They weren't the only changes in the mid-eighties. Weighted grades, new attendance and tardiness policies, and other regulations were put into effect by the Steering Committee, a group of administration, faculty, and students.

Computers also began to spread throughout Durfee in the about the same time. Students were able to take classes in programming, and to use computers for other tasks. The administration also began computerization of the daily absentee

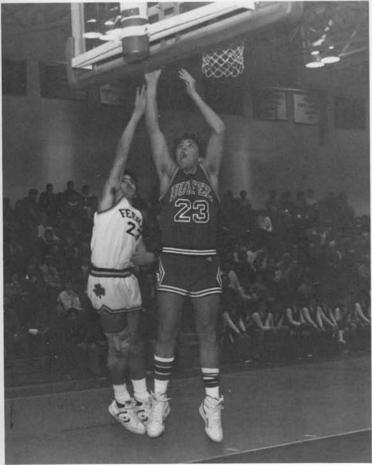
list, as well as report cards and other notices.

In 1984, Durfee's basketball team made another trek to the state tournament. Led by Thomas "Skip" Karam, the squad were Division One Champions, adding another banner to the field house collection. Karam, who started coaching in 1960, topped the 500 victory mark in 1986. In addition to serving as coach, he also has been the school department's athletic director, a position which was made full-time in 1986.

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Throughout the 1980's, students travelled to foreign lands and exchange students visited Fall River. A variety of art competitions, and musical performances focused on the arts. Durfee publications grew and expanded, new equipment allowed students to gain experiences in computerized typesetting, and the staffs were called upon to provide services for the growing school department.

There were also great celebrations, including the Shakespeare Festival, which brought the school together. Outstanding productions, including Senior Follies brought students together to perform and entertain the community.

Durfee's reputation as being a force in the athletic arena was not diminished in the more recent history. A variety of sports for both boys and girls provided a means for students to excel. Other programs such as Project Adventure allowed those not so athletic to have a sense of accomplishment. Weekend and evening recreation programs opened the outstanding facility to the community.

By naming sections of the building to remember the contributions of such individuals as Arthur Frank, Morton Dean, Robert J. Nagle, Karen Jarabek, Fred Budda, and Joseph Raposo, the students were provided with reminders of what accomplishments are possible after graduation.

But not all students were successful at Durfee. Just one year after a task force of community leaders and educators identified a shocking dropout rate of nearly 50 percent, efforts were made to keep students in school. A summer school, and other programs reduced the rate to 39 percent.

At Durfee, a series of murals and other projects were undertaken by a committee of students and staff. The group, known as Durfee Pride, was charged with improving the physical surroundings at the school and to help students be proud of their school.

While there have been changes of buildings and staffs, the pride in Durfee was the one constant thread which ran through the more than one hundred years of high school life. The support of alumni, and the community interest in the school has helped the students accomplish a great deal.

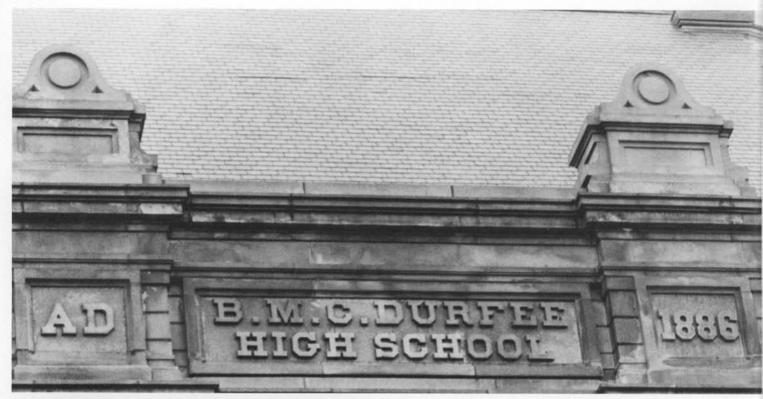
One hundred years have come and gone leaving many memories to all who attended Durfee. Some memories may be fonder than others, but the strength and loyalty from both students and faculty has kept the wonderful gift from Mrs. Mary B. Young alive. We'll always remember the times we shared walking through the halls of the school she donated in memory of her son, Bradford Matthew Chaloner Durfee.

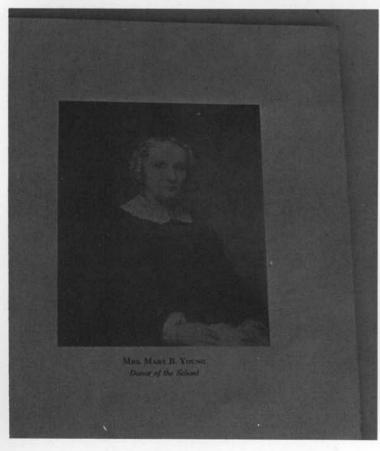
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Mary Brayton Young



Bradford Matthew Chaloner Durfee

THE MOTHER OF DURFEE

Mary Brayton, the daughter of Israel and Kezia Anthony Brayton was born in South Somerset in 1814. Her father kept a country store, which with his farm furnished a livelihood for his large family. Mary was the eldest of the children and in 1834 she became a teacher in the public schools. She continued in this occupation until 1841.

The next year she was married to Major Bradford Durfee, an exceedingly wealthy man. Bradford Matthew Chaloner Durfee was born to them on the 15th of June, 1843. Major Durfee died the same year, leaving his fortune to his infant child.

In 1851, Mrs. Durfee married the Reverend Jeremiah Young, a Congregational minister. He left the ministry soon after, however, and entered into business. Ten years later, in 1861, he died being survived by his wife and son Bradford who was then eighteen years old.

Bradford Durfee, during the next eleven years which were to complete his brief span of life, was able to accomplish much which brought credit upon himself and blessing to those about him. Having graduated from Yale, he presented to his Alma Mater a dormitory known as Durfee Hall. This is one of the buildings forming the Quadrangle of Yale College. There is no doubt that if he had lived he would have done still greater things for the public good. Death, however, claimed him in his twenty-ninth year on September 13th, 1872.

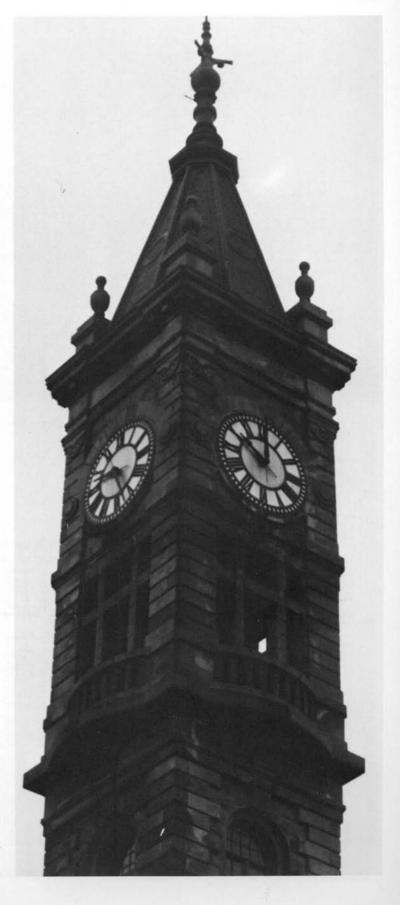
His mother, Mrs. Young, from whom Bradford Durfee had inherited many of his virtues, who had also encouraged and assisted him in his philanthropic enterprises, presented to the City of Fall River our present High School as a memorial of her son. A special enactment of the Massachusetts Legislature was necessary to enable the city to accept this magnificent building. At the time of its erection the B.M.C. Durfee High School was the finest in the country. The gift included an endowment of \$50,000 to assist in the maintenance the school.

Mrs. Young throughout her life gave liberally of her riches to aid those who were worthy and who needed assistance. While she never tired of doing what appeared to her to be her duty, she never sought prominence in any way and preferred her gifts should go unheralded.

In 1840 Mrs. Young became a menber of the First Congregational Church and continued an ardent worker in all its benevolences until failing health forbade such activities. She was also elected one of the Board of Managers of the local antislavery society in 1837. She was the main support of numerous charities. When her death came on March 23, 1891 many hearts were sad and in many an eye glistened a tear. Mrs. Young was beloved by a wide circle of acquaintances who mourned for her not only as a public benefactor but as kind-hearted, loyal

friend.

Lillian S. Gray '13



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The original Technical High School building was destroyed by fire.



The new Technical High School building became part of Durfee High School when the two merged.



Alma Mater

Raise our praises high to Durfee Alma Mater dear. Towering high beside the river, Radiant beacon clear.

Love and praise we render ever Hoices raise on high, Loud we sing of Durfee's glory To the earth and sky.

God preserve for Alma Mater Standards staunch and true, High aloft we'll lift her banner Bright with Durfee's hue.

John Watkinson, '33 To the tune of the Cornell University Song



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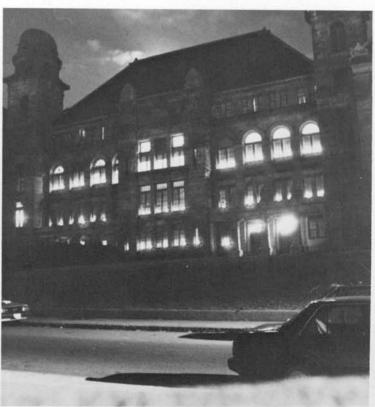






The community said "farewell" to the old Durfee building in December of 1986. A new chapter began for the building when the city turned it over to the state judicial system.





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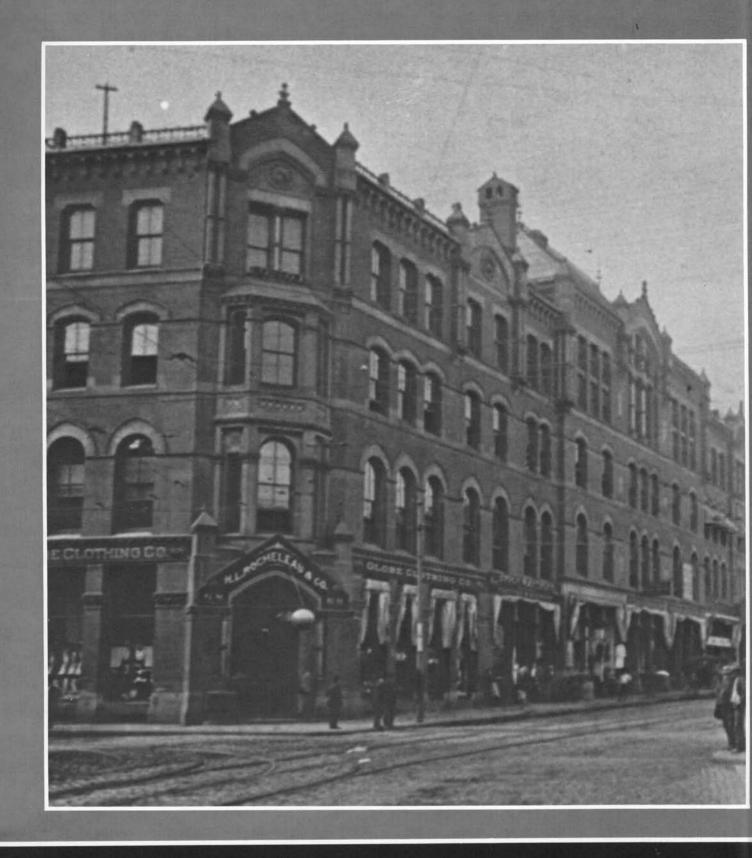




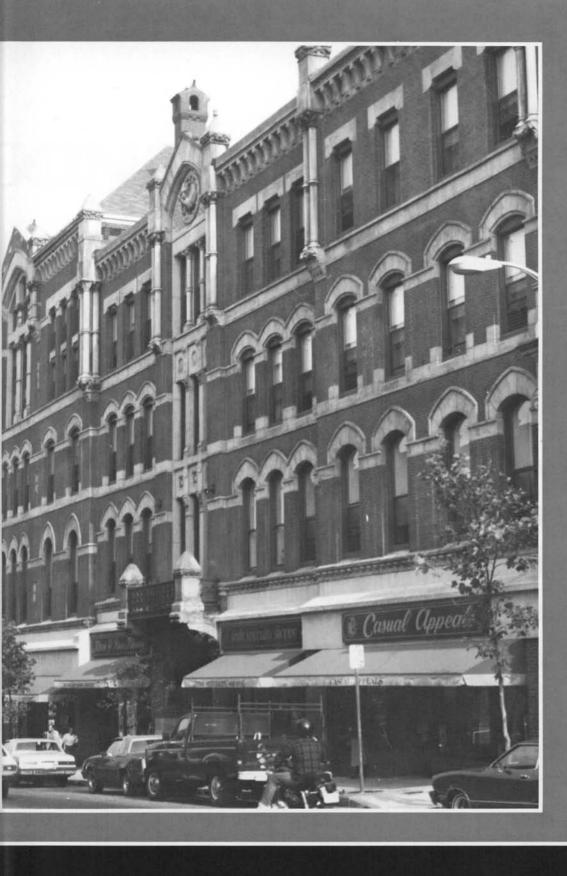








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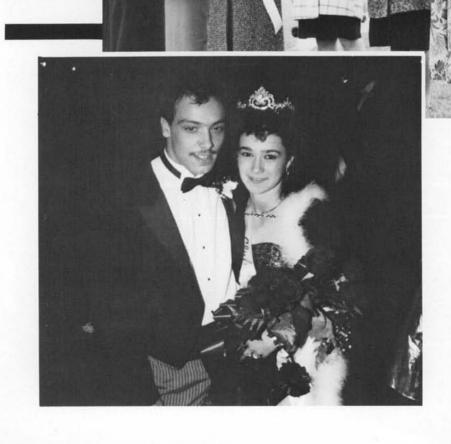


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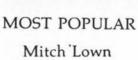
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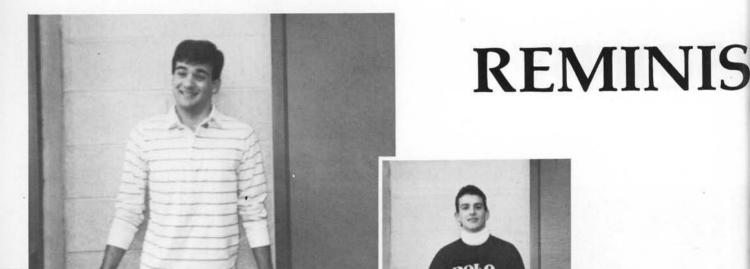
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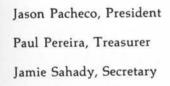


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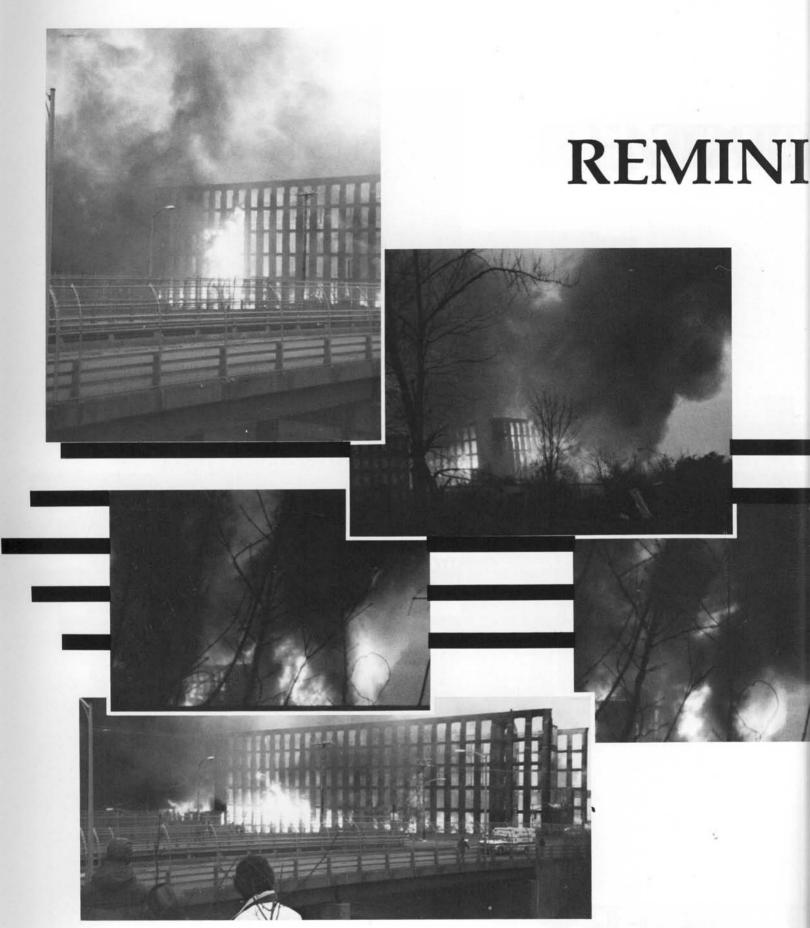
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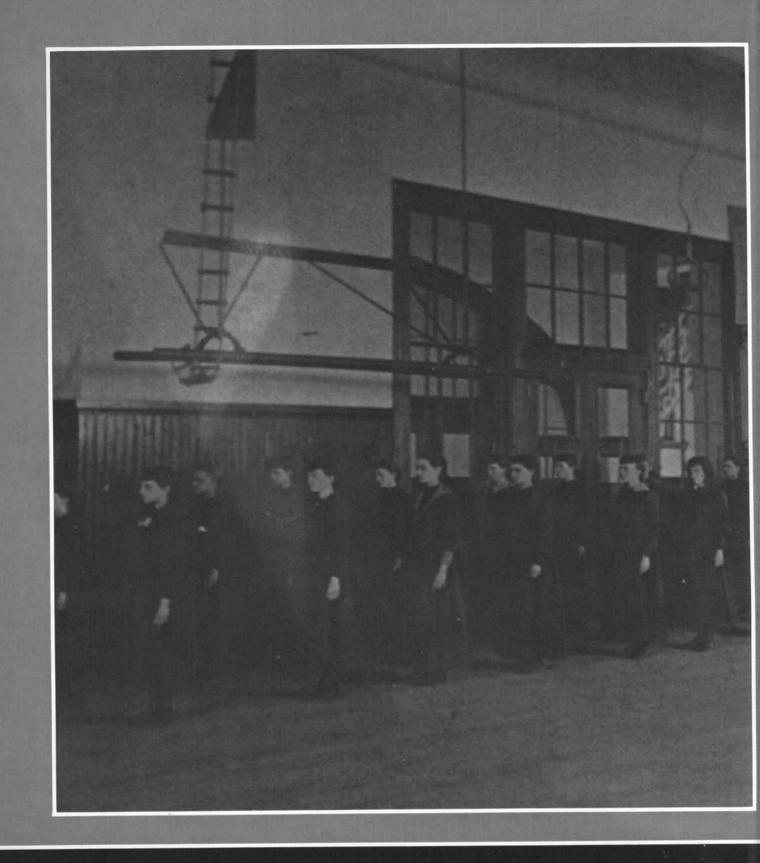
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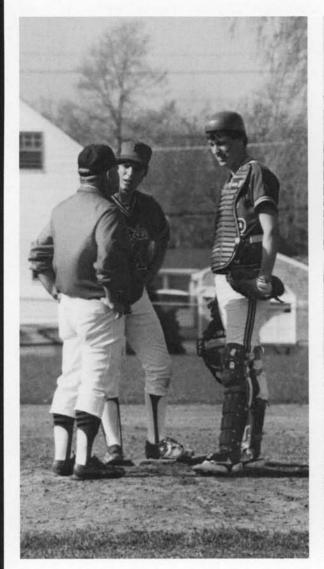
Paced by solid defense and steady hitting, the 1986 Durfee Baseball team enjoyed a successful 14-6 season.

Despite slumping near mid-season, coach Ray Medeiros' Hilltoppers qualified for the state tourney. After defeating West Roxbury 9-0 in the opening round, Durfee eventually bowed to perennial powerhouse Brockton.

Pitchers Norm Dumont and John Cippolini enjoyed prosperous campaigns as senior pitchers. Dumont and classmates Tim Plante, and Mike Smith were the most productive from the plate.

The offensive attack led by Joe Senra, Smith, John McDonald and Tom D'Ambrosio combined strong hitting and excellent base-running, essentials for a winning season.

With several talented veterans returning,, the Toppers are looking forward to another successful season. Seniors expected back in the starting lineup include D'Ambrosio, Senra, and Charlie Guimond.

























Girls' Softball (18-2)

The 1986 girl's softball teams had some rebuilding to do at the start of the season but kept their expectations high. Still, most considered their chances to repeat as Eastern Massachusettes Division One champions to be very slim. The Toppers ignored the critics, however, capturing the SMC Division One crown and finishing with an impressive 18-2 overall record. The only two regular season defeats came in non-leaguers. Toward the end of the season, against Taunton and Brockton.

Coach Jack Campbell's Toppers Came ever-so-close to repeating as South Sectional champions as well, being edged out in extra-innings by Dartmouth in the Sectional finals.

The graduation of Boston Globe all-start pitcher Ann Gibbons left a big void on the mound but Robin Desrosiers and Kris Whipp filled the slack in the pitching rotation more than adequately. In fact, Desrosiers built a reputation as one of the better young hurlers in the

The offensive attack was provided by some seasoned veterans captain Cindy Mello, voted Most Valuable Player. Varsity returners Colleen Karl, Mimi Larrivee, and Delia Viera also showed their strength at the plate.

The prospects for the 1987 Hilltoppers look just as promising. There are numerous starters returning to the lineup, especially in key positions. There should also be

plenty of depth.























Boys' Tennis (1-10)



The boys tennis team managed just one win in the 1986 season but coach Tom Medeiros is optimistic about the upcoming season. With several returning starters in the lineup, the 1987 combine should be hungry for success.

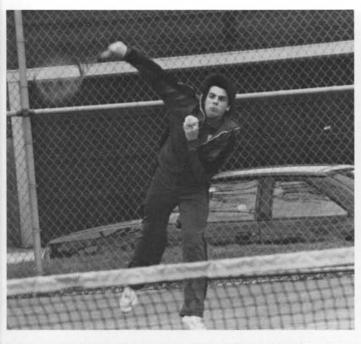
Captain Scott Santos, a veteran starter, will pace the team while Brian Mikolaysak, Jay Ferieira and Pat Mello should also be big contributers. An addition of some underclass potential should also aid the cause.



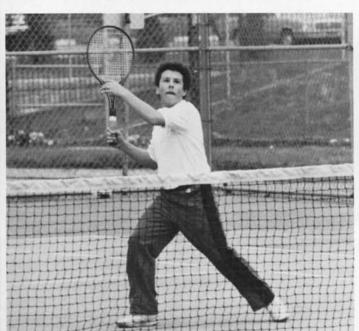


















Girls' Tennis (1-11)

The 1986 season was definitely thought of as a rebuilding year for the girls tennis team. Sophomores and freshmen made up most of the team. This perhaps is a good omen

for things to come.

The girls won just one match in 12 outings but showed tremendous determination, sportsmanship, and a desire to improve Despite the overwhelming odds, last year's seniors Melissa Dennis and Kim Wong checked in with valiant efforts as the number one and two single players.

The doubles teams were made up of Christine Valente and Andrea Boucher, Kelly Camara with Kerry Clarkin, who turned in a surprising effort as a varsity newcomer.

Amanda Golden, Amy Souza, Colleen Carey, Tracy Souza, Joan Darcy, and Michelle Theberge rounded out the club and should be responsible for success in the future.























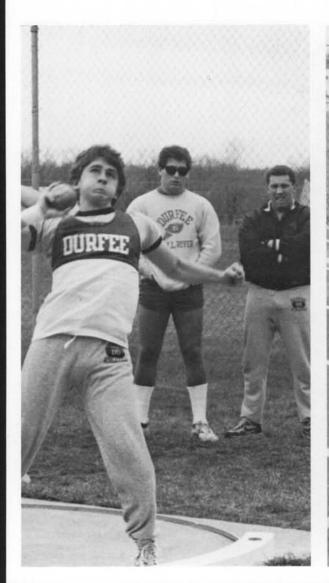
Boys' Spring Track (4-4)

The 1986 boys spring track team inished with a 4 win, 4 loss record. Coaches Robert Taylor and Tom Botelho are optimistic, about the eason to come, although the team ost many seniors due to raduation.

Captains Dan Harrington and Brian Corey, both seniors, had banner years. Harrington's best disance in the pole vault. (10'6") was he school record, while Brian Corey posted his personal best in he mile (4:46). In the 880, Steve Brightman showed great determination running it in 2:03 against he tough Bishop Feehan.

Returning veterans for the team nclude Matt Attar, who holds reords of 6'3" in the high jump and a personal best of 152'6" in the javein. Chris Rezendes will pace the eam in the 100 with a best of 10.4 seconds. Junior pole vaulter Steve Bradbury is expected to dominate hat event, while Eddie Rego, a junior, will run the two mile and oth-

er distance events.



















Girls Track (7-1)

The girls' spring track team showed much promise again in 1986. Even after a move up from SMC Division Three to Two, coach Dave Ozug couldn't have been more pleased with the squad's performance both individually and as

a group.

The Toppers possessed some of the finest area competitors in some events. Sarah Wilcox and Michelle St.Laurent were two of the best distance runners in the state while Wendy Moniz was a top all-around performers. Dominating the long jump, triple jump, 100 and 200 meter dashes.

Meanwhile, Debbie Rego broke a school record in the javelin in the first meet of the season, throwing an outstanding 92' 7". In the high jump, Katie Sullivan and Danielle

Pavao were standouts.





















Golf Team (5-9-2)

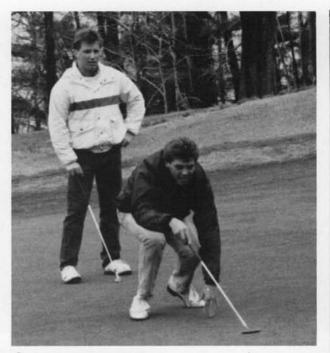
Although somewhat of a rebuilding season, coach Richard Roy's golfers made much progress in the 1986 campaign, despite finishing at a 5-9-2 mark.

While last year's seniors Paul Medeiros and Joe Couglin provided experience and leadership, underclassmen Bobby Coleman, Joe Reilly and Steve Sullivan earned plenty of respect throughout the league. In fact, Coleman was selected as an alternate for the state championships.

One of the biggest highlight of the season had to be a big win over previously undefeated Dennis-Yarmouth, 14-0 heading into the match. Coughlin's dramatic 20-foot putt on one of the final holes help

propel his team to victory.





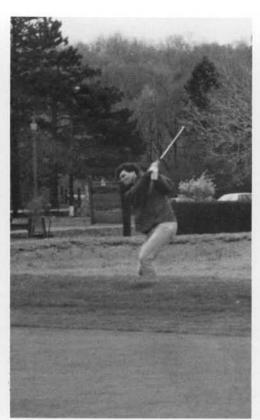


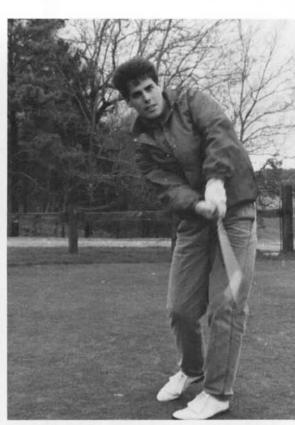








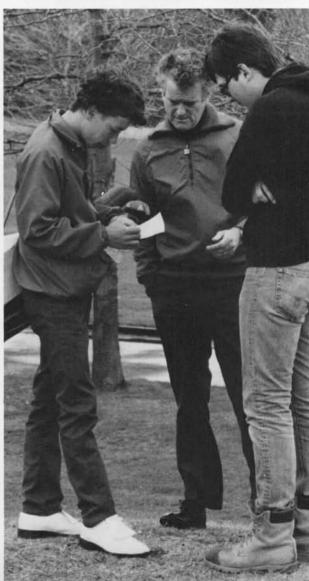












Football Team (7-2-1)

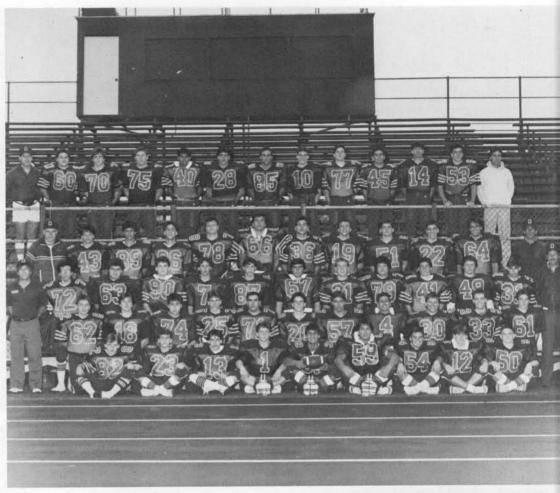
The 1986 Durfee Football team enjoyed great success, due to the great coaching and the team's desire to win.

Head coach Tom Botelho's Hill-topper lost to Feehan and Taunton in the first two outings. But due to their hard work and grit the team pulled together to win seven games straight. (Something that hasn't been done for 20 years.)

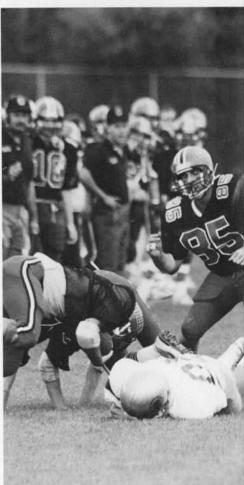
Tri-captian Joe Kazen, James Frascatore, and Mike McMahon were the sparks of the team. Quarterback Chris Rezendes also a standout took a amajor part in the team's success. Going into New Bedford on Thanksgiving Day: Durfee boosted a 7-2 win hoping to win number 8 in a row.

Durfee's only score was in the first quarter on their second possession. Joe Kazen brought the ball down to the one on a 85 yard run and Chris Rezendes sneeked to pavdirt. Dennis Anselmo booted the extra point. New Bedford later scored and the score remained 7-7. This didn't put damper on the Toppers' great season though. A record of 7-2-1 is the best in the last 20 years and has put Durfee Football back on the map.

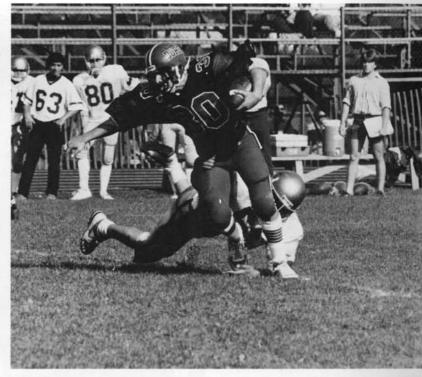
Although the Durfee defense was the catalyst for the team's success, also noteworthy was the Topper offensive line led by Norm Phenix, Brian Faria, Jeff Martin, Mike Foley, Arthor Leventis, and Scott Perreira. This group of guys didn't get much credit, but was considered by many to be the reason that the Toppers had great sucess running the ball. They led the way for fullback JoeKazen, who averaged over 100 a game. Mike Mc-Mahon who rushed for over 600 yards and quarterback Chris Rezendes who led the team with 9 rushing touchdowns and 5 through the air, also deserves credit.













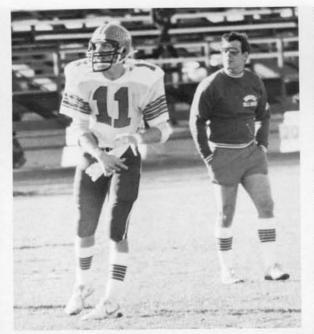




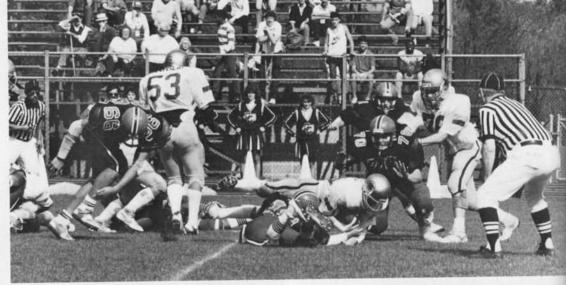






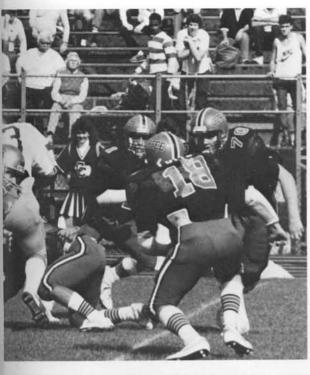




































Volleyball (17-1)

The Durfee girls volleyball team skillfully opened the season by winning their first 17 games. Their first home game against Barnstable, followed by 7 other games also won at home. The Toppers also won all their away matches, except for the Division 2 State Champions, Case. It, however, was a close game. The Toppers were only 1 serve away from taking it to the third and final game.

After the regular season, the Toppers succeeded in earning a spot in the State Tourney, as well as a chance for a shot at Southern Massachusetts title. In the first playoff game with North Quincy Durfee fell 3 games to 1 in the best of five. The Toppers won their third game against North Quincy and were only 1 serve away from taking the match to five games Unfortunately, they lost, but they still had a very successful season.

Among the standouts on the team were tri-captains Dee Vieria an unbelievable setter, Beth Hathaway, an aggressive front liner, and Kelly Burke, a versatile player. Michelle Fontaine was the team's strong left-handed server.















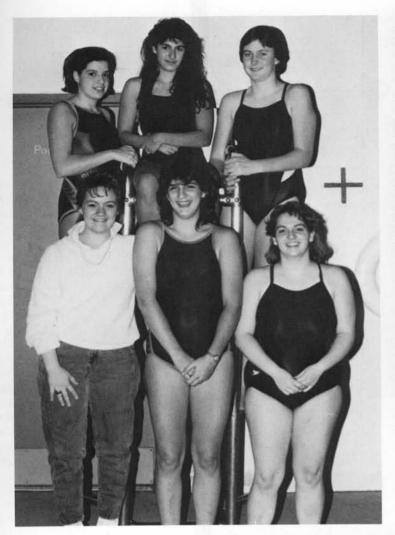


Soccer Team (8-5-5)

While Coach John Santos was dissapointed that the varsity soccer team failed to advance the playoffs, he was encouraged by the end of a sucessful season (8-5-5). Seniors Tony Arruda, Tony Rodrigues, Emanuel Medeiros, and Paulo Cabral will be missed next year, but the improving younger players are expected to pick up the slack.

Throughout the fall, the team was presented with a number of unfortunate injuries. Starting forward Bret Reis suffered a hairline fracture to his rib, and goalie Rick Dias was sidelined for the first part of the season with a knee injury.

This didn't dampen the teams spirit though, they continued in their winning ways and coach Santos couldn't be happier.













Girls' Swim Team (5-5)

Although the girls' swim team, under new head coach Paul Kitchen was only moderately successful, they displayed incredible enthusiasm and Durfee pride, which kept the team moving. Headed by cocaptains Christine Valente and Kristen Souza, the team ended with a 5-5 record overall and a 4-4 league record.

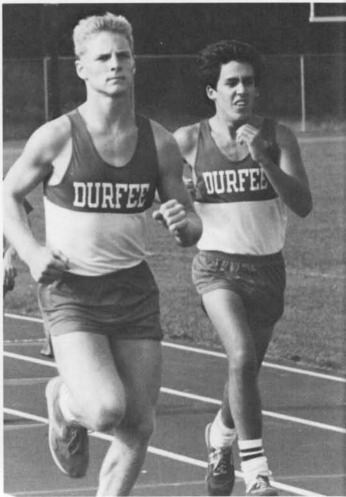
Many of the Topperettes qualified for the sectional team, including Valente in the 100 freestyle and 100 breast stroke. Christine placed tenth with a time of 1:14.13. Danielle Pavao, an exceptional senior diver, also qualified for sectionals.

The girls' swim team has a very positive outlook for the 1987-88 season. Returning strengths are junior power-houses Jacqui Pomfret, Cynthia Rodriques, and Susan Howarth. Returning sophomores and freshmen include Pam Fata, Michelle Theberge, Amy Costar, Kim Rapoza, and Nicole Bernard.











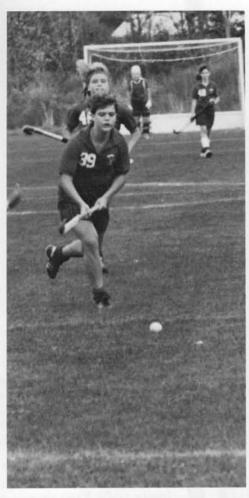


Cross Country (6-1)

The 1986 Cross Country Team enjoyed a successful season with both the boys' and girls' squads posting satisfying records. And with plenty of talent returning, coach Dave Ozug is optimistic about the future.

The boys record was 3-4 paced by Doug Medeiros a sohpomore. Junior Eddie Rego showed a lot of stamina and should be a dominant force next year. The rest of the team consists of Jeff Nogueira, Jay Medeiros, Billy Thoureau, Mike Danville, John Murray and Jeff Fontaine.

The girls' team, paced by Sarah Wilcox, won the Southeastern Massachusetts Conference championship. Juniors Michelle St. Laurent and Lisa Borges were instrumental in the team's success while Colleen Masse, Colleen Carey, Elsa Moniz, Kathy Viera and Cathy Gillete added valuable depth.

















Field Hockey (6-6-4)

The field hockey team, with cocaptains Kristen Borges and Beth Jean, played very well this year. The team's record was 6-6-4.

Several of the players received special recognition for their performance. Among them were Renee Gay, Claudine Cloutier Kristen Borges, and Francesca Gagliardi. Renee Gay, a junior, was New Bedford Times All Star, Herald News All Star, and Conference All Star. Claudine Cloutier, also a junior, was chosen as Herald News Honorable Mention. Kristen Borges, a senior, was chosen as Herald News All Star, Conference All Star and New Bedford Times Honorable Mention. Francesca Gagliardi, also a senior, was named as Herald News Honorable Mention. The seniors on the field hockey team included Debbie Medeiros, Stacy Wordell, Francesca Gagliardi, Kristen Borges, Beth Jean, and Wendy Moniz.

Boy's Basketball (21-3)

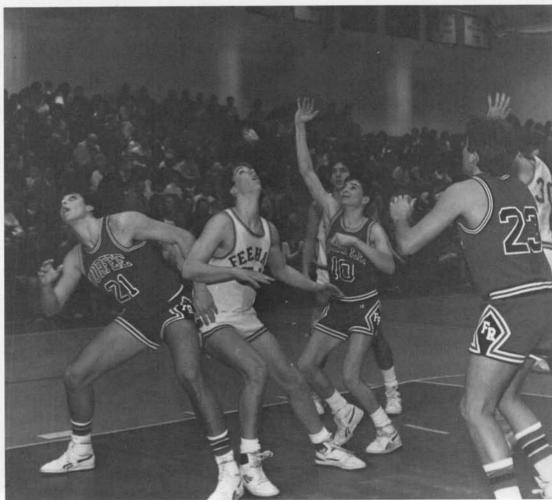
The 1986-87 Boys Basketball team accomplished what many thought impossible. Although Durfee lost the final two games of the regular season against New Bedford and Cambridge Ringe & Latin, the tournament brought victories over Newton South, New Bedford (for the Division I title) and a spectacular victory over Brockton. Durfee traveled to Boston University for a rematch against Cambridge. This game, the Eastern Mass. Finals, was the end of the road as Durfee was defeated 72-55. Tommy D'Ambrosio, a senior, was inducted into the 1,000 point club. He is the fifth player ever to reach 1,000 points while playing at Durfee. The Toppers starting five included:

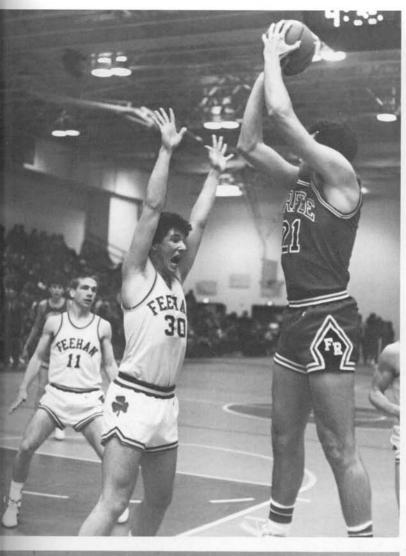
seniors, Tom D'Ambrosio, Joe Reilly, junior, Matt Attar, and sophomores, Jud McDonald and Mike Herren. Senior, Mitch Lown was unable to play the first half of the season because of a knee injury, but returned for the second half of the season and once again his basketball talent proved to be an asset

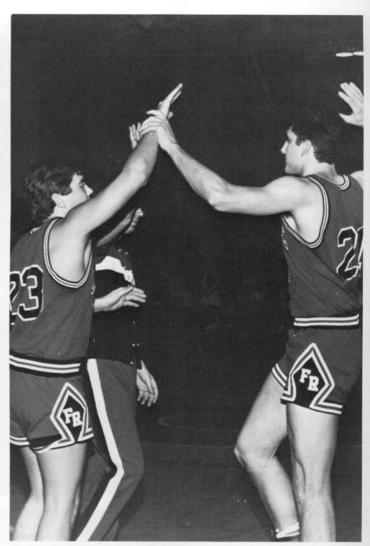
to the team.

Since the toppers were basically a young team this year, Coach Karam hopes that next year's starters will once again work together and prove to everyone that they are still number one.

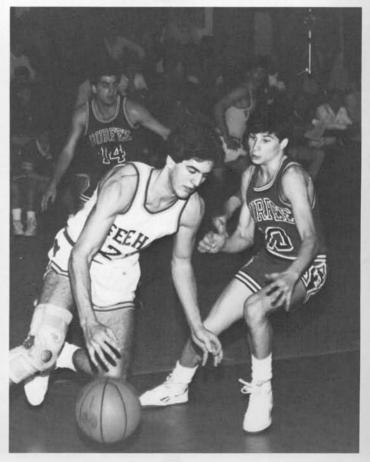












Girl's Basketball (13-4)

The girl's basketball team coached by Mr. Thomas Burns completed an impressive season with a record of 13-4. The topperettes were led by captain Robin Desrosiers, who held the highest scoring average. Two junior defense specialists Claudine Cloutier and Kris Whipp added outstanding efforts with superb ball handling. Seniors, Lisa Rapoza and Delia Vieira also had their share of excellent playing

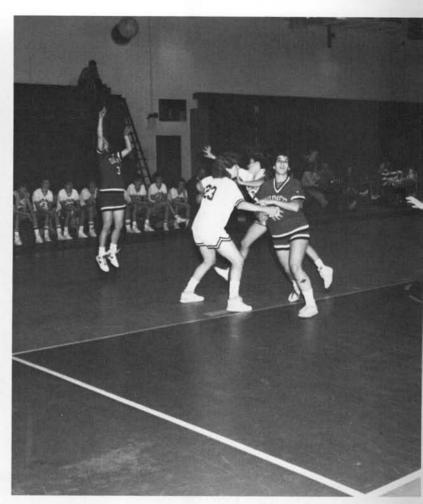
Although the topperettes were only a young team the key to their success was their ableness to play as a team. With their combined hard work and efforts they defeated two league teams, Bishop Feehan and Dennis-Yarmouth, which had never been beaten before.

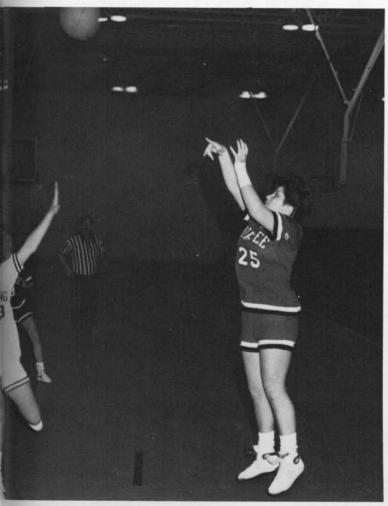
Coach Burns is looking forward to another successful season next year because of all the young tal-













Hockey Team (10-4-4)

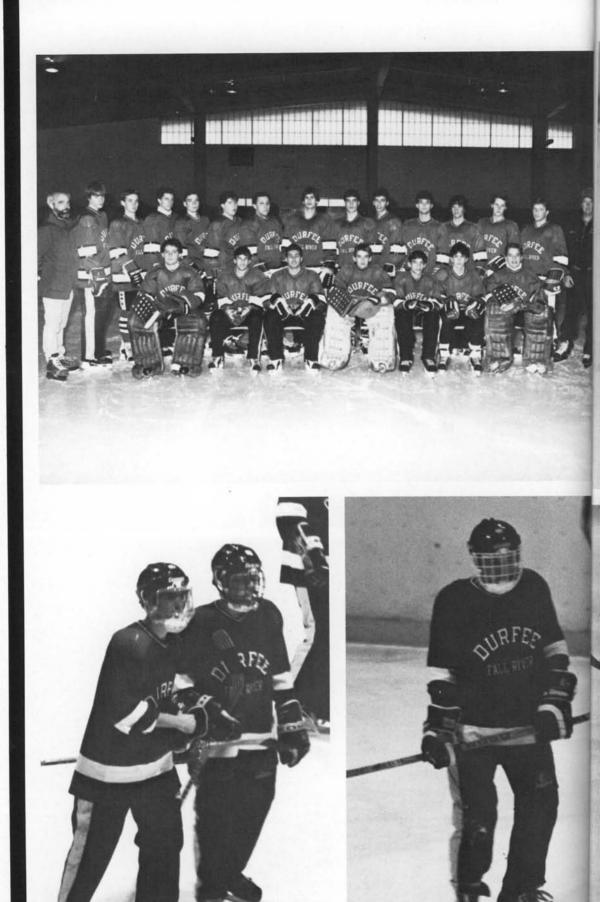
The Hilltopper Hockey Team enjoyed a late season this year under the direction of coach Jack Carey, they lost their first three games, but finished with a record 10-4-4, and qualified for the state tournament.

This year's team was led by Captain Scott Hornby, a four year varsity player. Scott Santos, a senior, was the team's leading scorer with Doug Jarabek close behind. Other key seniors were Jim Rapoza, Roger Souza (the team's most aggressive player), Brian Faquhar, Steve Sullivan and David Muir.

Junior Steve Bradbury led the defensive line. Bobby Coleman, another junior, took care of the goal

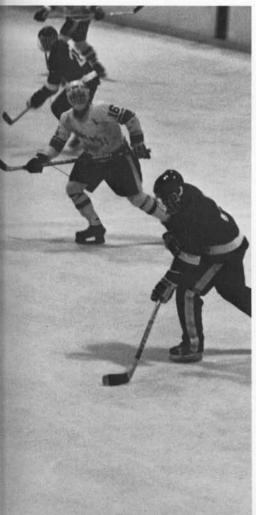
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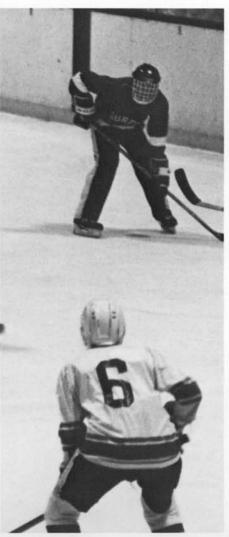
Highlights of this season were wins over Cape Cod rivals. Durfee beat Falmouth, 5-3, in a sensational come from behind victory. This was their first win ever over Falmouth. The Toppers also triumphed over Barnstable, 4-3, at Barnstable for the first time ever.

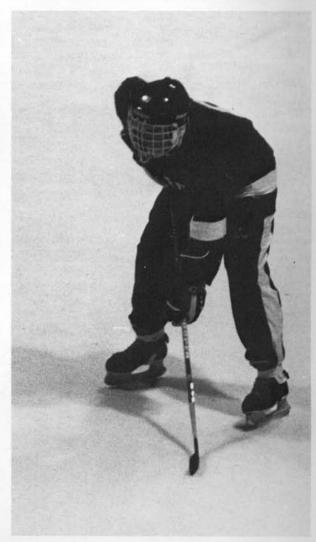












Wrestling Team (10-5-2)

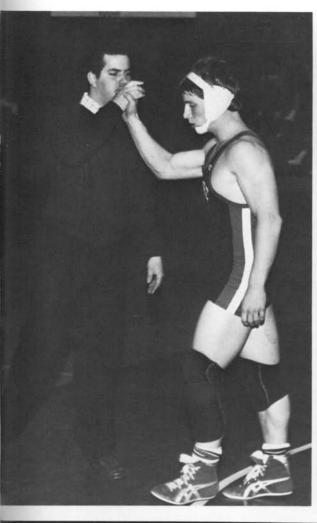
Durfee's wrestling team has enjoyed success this season with a 10-5-2 record. The team bettered last year's record of 8-5. Coach Mike Perriera feels this years scores are due to the players being more experienced and better trained.

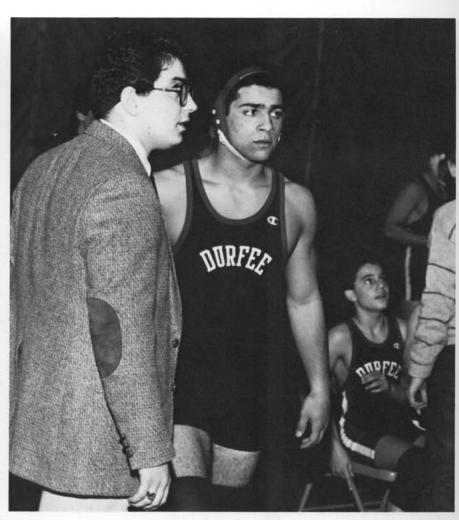
Co-captains Mike McMahon and Joe Kazen have greatly contributed to this year's success. Mike McMahon, a senior, wrestles in the 157-pound division and has a record of 10 wins and 1 loss. Joe Kazen, also a senior, has a record of 9 wins and 1 loss in the 169-pound division.

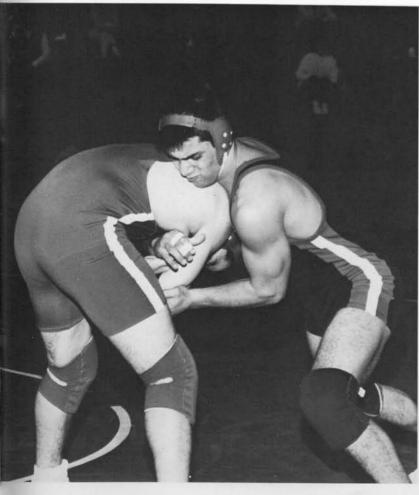
Next years team is hoping to be just as successful, with upcomming talent and the experience of this years underclassmen.

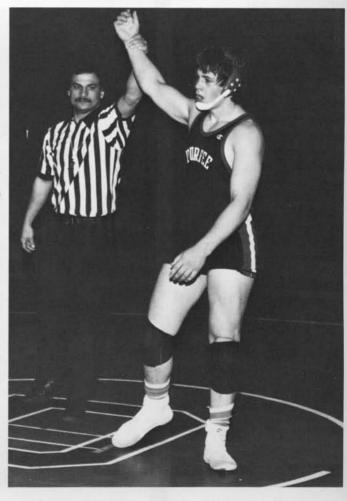












Gymnastics Team (3-5)

Despite entering the season with only two seniors, the Durfee High School Gymnastics team managed to check in with a respectable showing in the Southeastern Massachusetts Conference. Coach Jane Stack is pleased with the steady progress and is looking forward to a successful season next year.

Leading the young toppers were seniors Danielle Pavao and captain Tara Fleming, who turned in consistantly high marks all season. Sophomore Jennifer Perreira and freshman Amy Costar also played prominant roles. Rounding out the squad were sophomores, Tanya Branco, Tanya Cahill, Danielle Machado and freshmen, Rachel Souza, Tiffany Frauk and Amy Shelton.

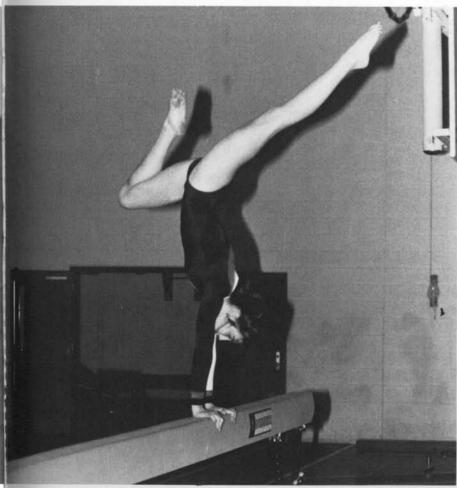














Boys' Swim team 1-6

The boys swim team showed promise again this year. The team finished the season with a 1-6 record.

The Toppers fell victim to Apponequet, Attleboro, Middleboro, New Bedford, Duxbury, and their longtime arch-rival Seekonk. The highpoint of the season came with a victory over Taunton in a close meet. Co-Captains Bill Sheehan and Mike Howarth paced the team in the 500 and the 200 freestyle respectively. Seniors Kevin Fitzgerald, Scott Mello, and Sean Murphy were also outstanding.

Sophomores Pat Mello, John Frank, Danny Walsh, and Chris Souza were also impressive this season, along with freshmen Neil Porier, Joe Medeiros, and Brian Rydick. These underclassmen gave the team depth and gained experience for their future seasons with

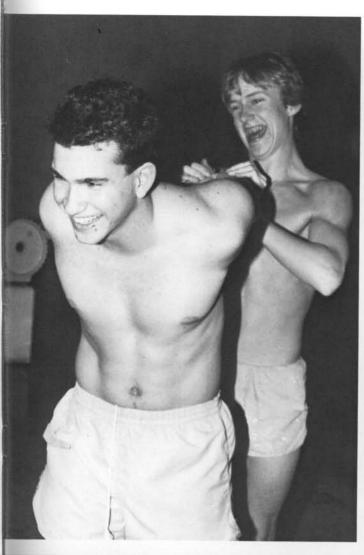
the Durfee swim team.

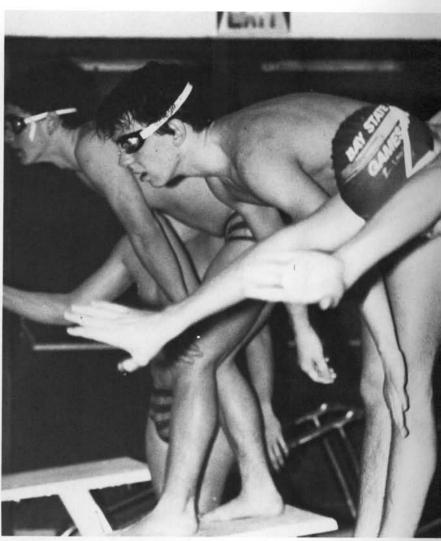
















Winter Track (6-1) (2-5)

The winter track team is showing great promise this year, and with all the young talent, the future years hold much success.

The girls finished with a 6-1 record. They were first place in the conference and a contender for the state finals.

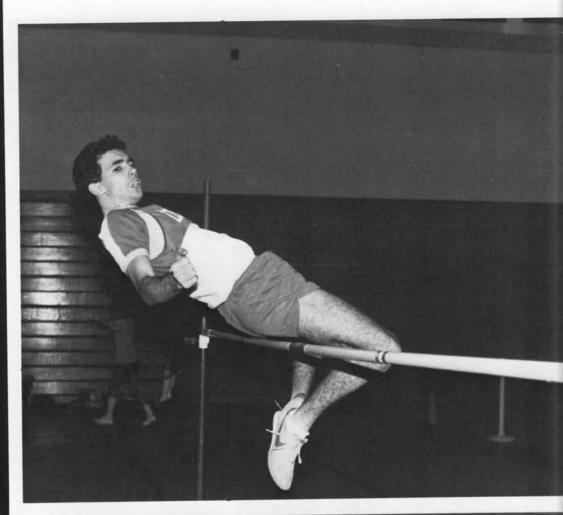
The team was paced in the high jump by Michelle St. Laurent and Katie Sullivan. Sullivan also ran the hurdles and set a record of 7.8. Sarah Wilcox remained unbeaten in the 2 mile. She easily won that event posting 12:30. Wendy Moniz won the 50 and 300 meter dashes with 66 and 41.7 respectively.

The boys team finished with a 2-5 record, however they all performed extremely well even in their

losing outings.

Sophomore Doug Medeiros broke his 2 mile record at Harvard's state coaches meet posting a 10:38. Senior Chris Rezendes and Junior Jeff Medeiros stole the show in the 50 yard dash. Rezendes, a captain, ran 5.6 and the speedy junior crossed in 5.7. The high hurdles was run in 7.0 by junior Tony Dias.

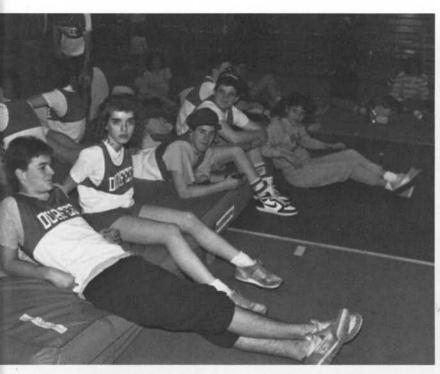
This year's team has done quite an amazing feat. 29 out of the 36 school records in track are held by the 1986-87 team. "Thats unbelievable," said coach George Moniz who is proud and hopes that the underclassmen can do just as well for him next year.







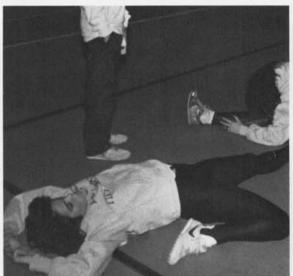








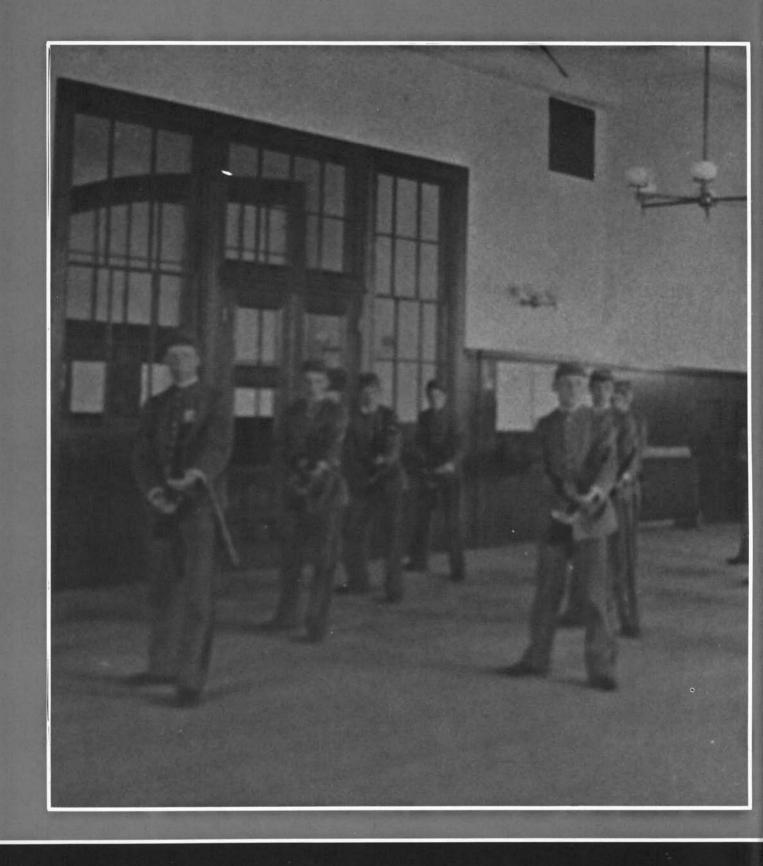












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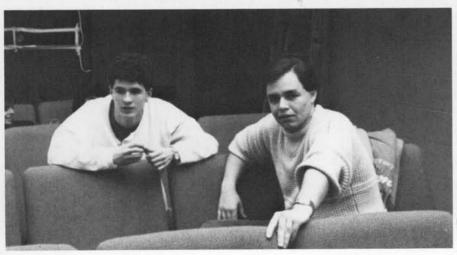
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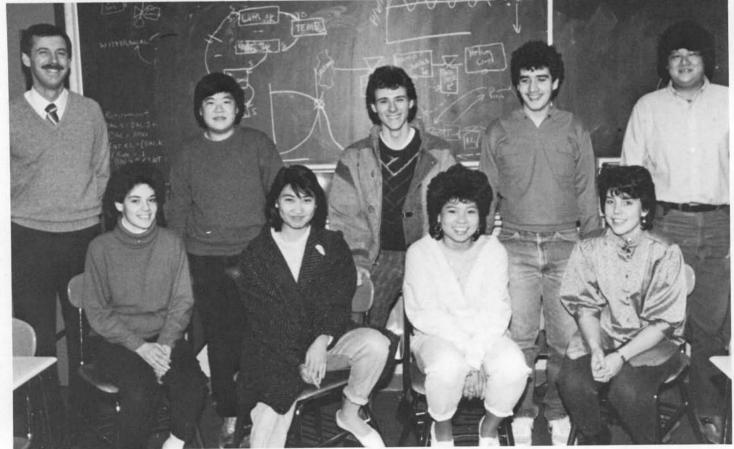


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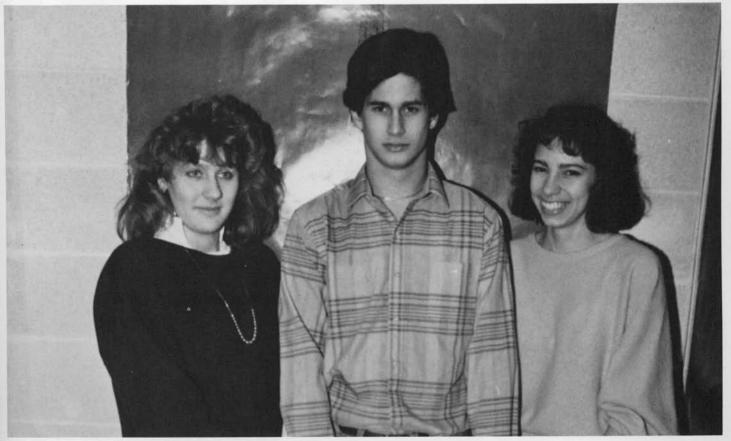


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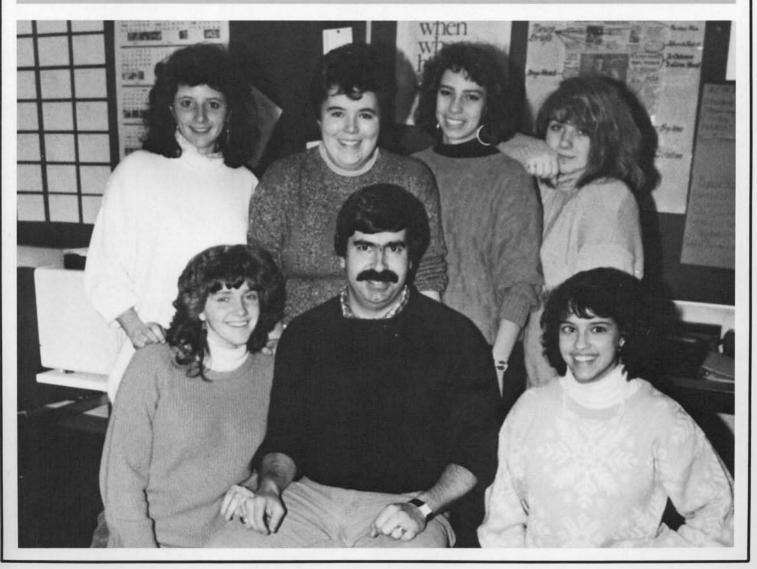


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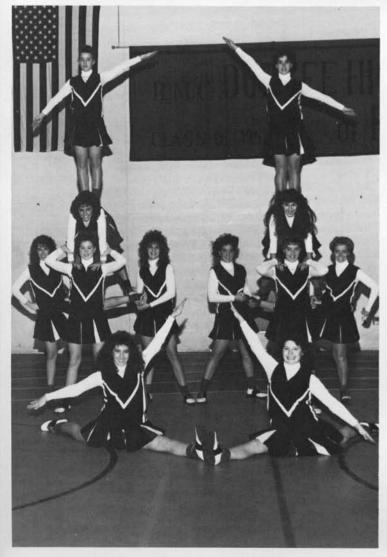
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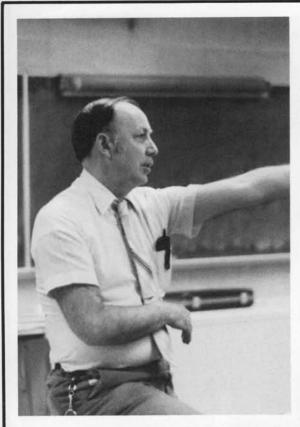






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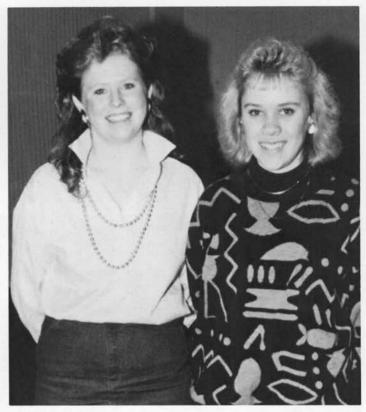


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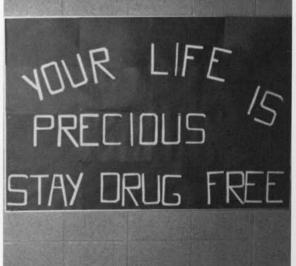
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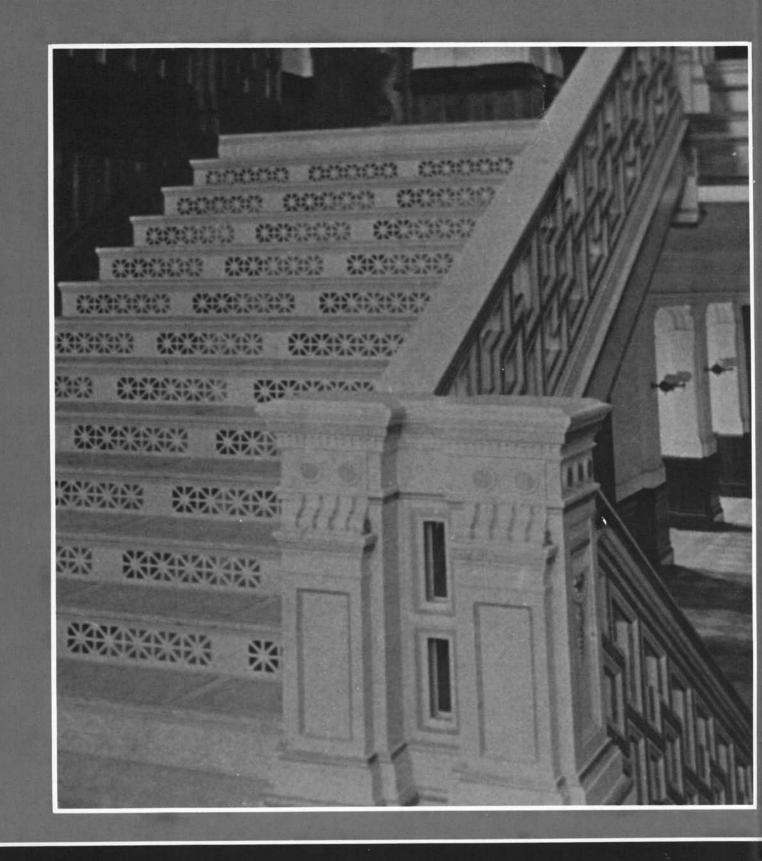




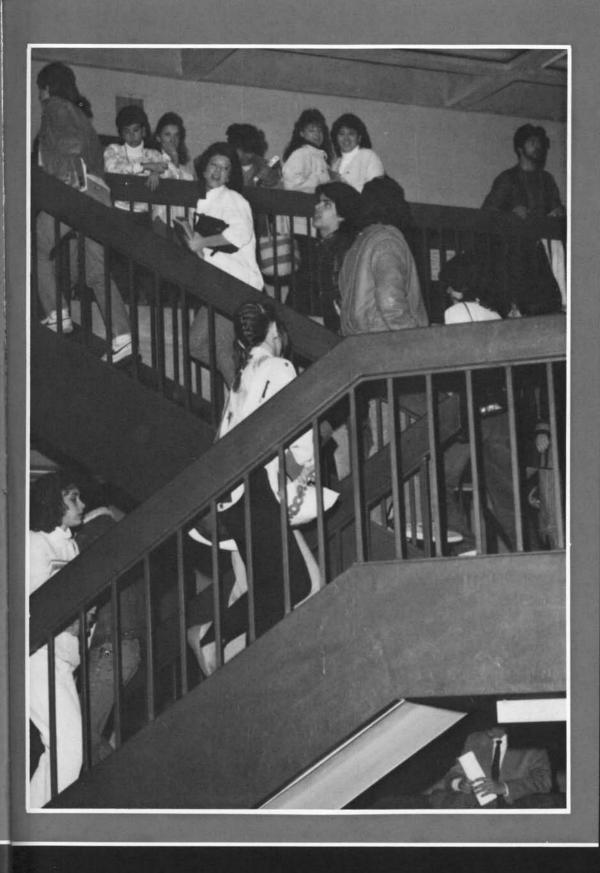




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"LOOK MOM,

I CAN TOUCH

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"PSYCHED ALL THE WAY HOME







FRASC IS THE ONE THAT'S CAUSING THE BEEF, HE CAN MESS UP ANYONE WITH JUST ONE SWEEP"

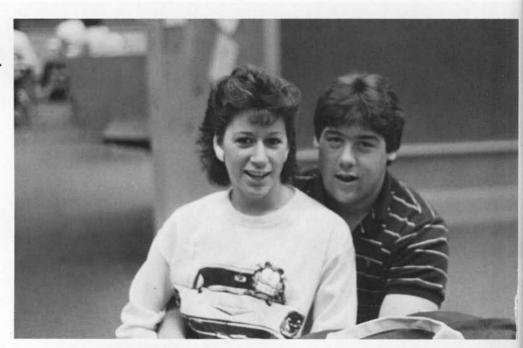




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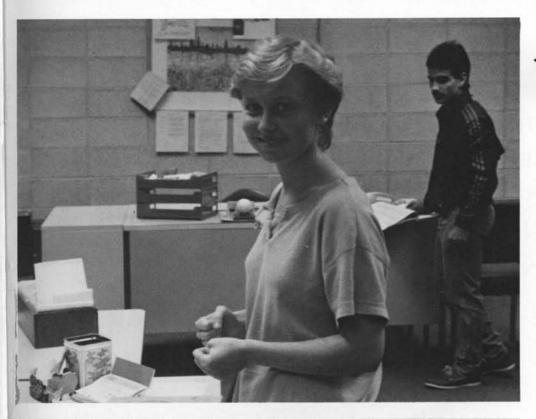
"WELL SANTA, I WOULD LIKE A NEW PORCHE".





"HEY DUDES, WHAT'S HAPPENING?"







WHAT IS SHE SO HAPPY ABOUT?





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TAKE THE
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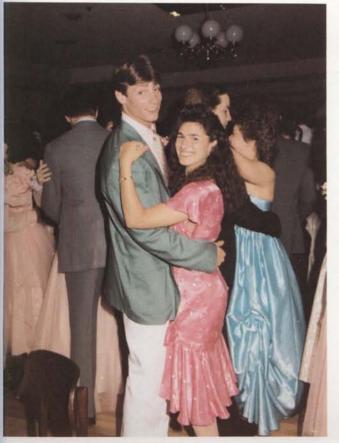
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"WE'RE HAVING





'Isn't she pretty in pink"



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"YOU ARE HURTING MY HAND!"







LET GO OF MY HAND AND GIVE ME MY AWARD!

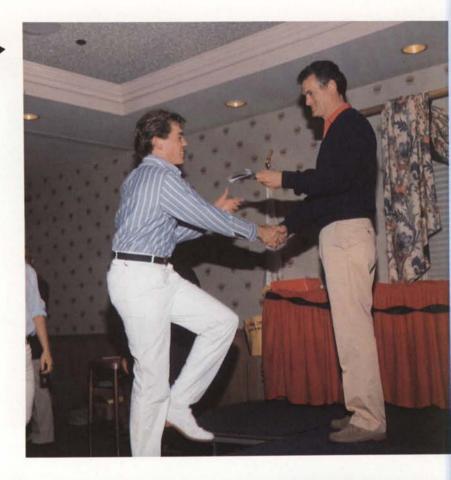




I AM JUST TOO EXCITED"



"WHERE'S THE





"I'M SO EMBARRASSED!"







"CONGRATULATIONS"





'DOES YOUR WIFE KNOW ABOUT THIS?'

'IT'S A BIRD, IT'S A PLANE, IT'S"



"LET'S GIVE THEM A REAL BOW THIS TIME"







"YOU HAD BETTER NOT DO IT AGAIN"





'WHAT A WONDERFUL EVENING'



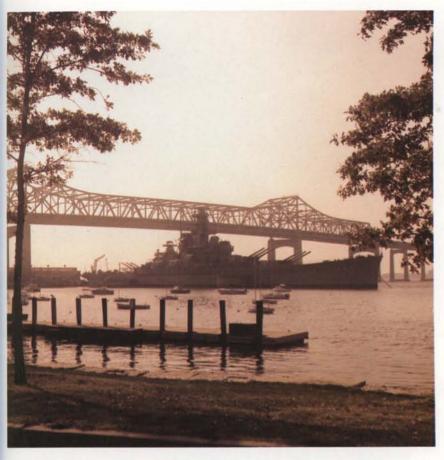
"FALL RIVER "IT'S THE PLACE TO BE"





"I WONDER HOW LONG I HAVE BEEN STOPPED HERE?!?!"







"HISTORIC WATERFRONT"





"THREE CHEERS FOR OLD DURFEE HIGH...."



"WHAT'S UP?"





"LET'S SMILE PRETTY FOR THE CAMERA"







"I CANNOT WAIT TO GET TO DURFEE"





"IS THIS STIFF ENOUGH?"

"KAREN, TRY
TO ACT NORMAL
-THEY 'RE TAKING
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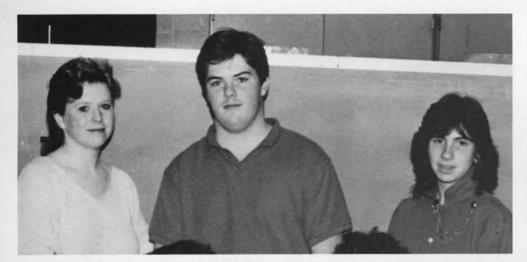


"AND IN THE END, WE'LL ALWAYS BE FRIENDS!"





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CELEBRATE! This is the theme of the 1987 Durfee yearbook, and we do have good cause to celebrate.

- The fears we overcame.

The challenges we met and conquered.
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