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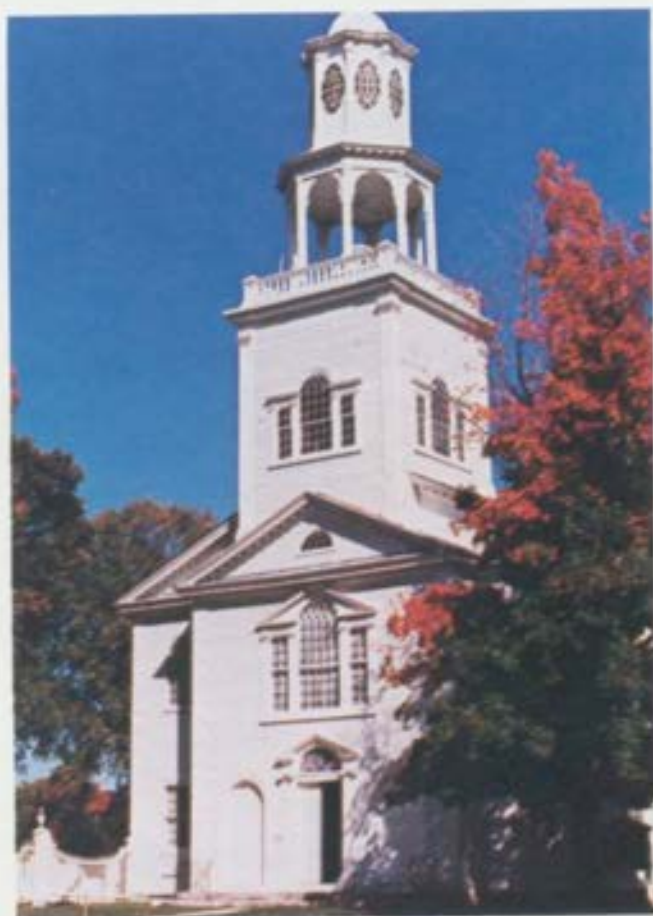
Spirit of **76**

W. H. Rouse Ball
The University of Cambridge

ECHO '76

ST. MARY'S ACADEMY

Hoosick Falls
New York
1894 — 1976



Kindergarten Class of '64



*In your face I sometimes see
Shadowings of the woman or man to be,
And eager, dream of what my daughter or son
Will be in twenty years and one.*

*But when you are to adulthood grown,
And all your adulthood ways are known,
Then shall I, wistful, try to trace
The child you once were in your face?*



Grace M. Becallo

"Even if you're on the right track,
you get run over if you just sit
there."



Theresa M. Bogardus

"If you could read my mind, what a
tale my thoughts could tell."

CLASS OF '76



JoAnn Brahan

"The moment may be temporary, but
the memory is forever."



Cell Brandi

"Education is the period during which
you are being instructed by somebody
you do not know, about something you
do not want to know."

Stairway to Heaven



AND AS WE WIND ON DOWN THE ROAD · OUR SHADOWS TALLE
THAN OUR SOUL · THERE WALKS A LADY WE ALL KNOW ·
WHO SHINES WHILE LIGHT AND WANTS TO SHOW ·
HOW EVERYTHING STILL TURNS TO GOLD ·
IF YOU LISTEN VERY HARD THE TUNE WILL COME AT LAST
WHEN ALL ARE ONE AND ONE IS ALL TO BE A ROCK AND NOT A





With much thanks and appreciation, we, the Class of 1976, dedicate this page to Rev. John H. Melton, O.S.A. for the last four years he has faithfully come from Philadelphia to assist S.M.A. seniors in making their career decisions.

*Thank
You*





Michael William Casey
VICE PRESIDENT

"Is there a split between mind and body; and if so, which is better to have?"



Marica L. Cramer

"One may have a blazing hearth in one's soul and yet no one comes to sit by it. Passerbys see only a wisp of smoke and continue on their way."



Kathleen M. Delurey

"If you cannot understand my silence, how can you possibly understand my words?"



Patricia A. Downey

"We all live under the same sky, but we don't all have the same horizon."



Ted Dwyer

"To cease smoking is the easiest thing I ever did: I ought to know because I've done it a thousand times."



Janet Foley

"You can suffocate a thought by expressing it with too many words."



Patricia Graney

"The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today."



David Grimm

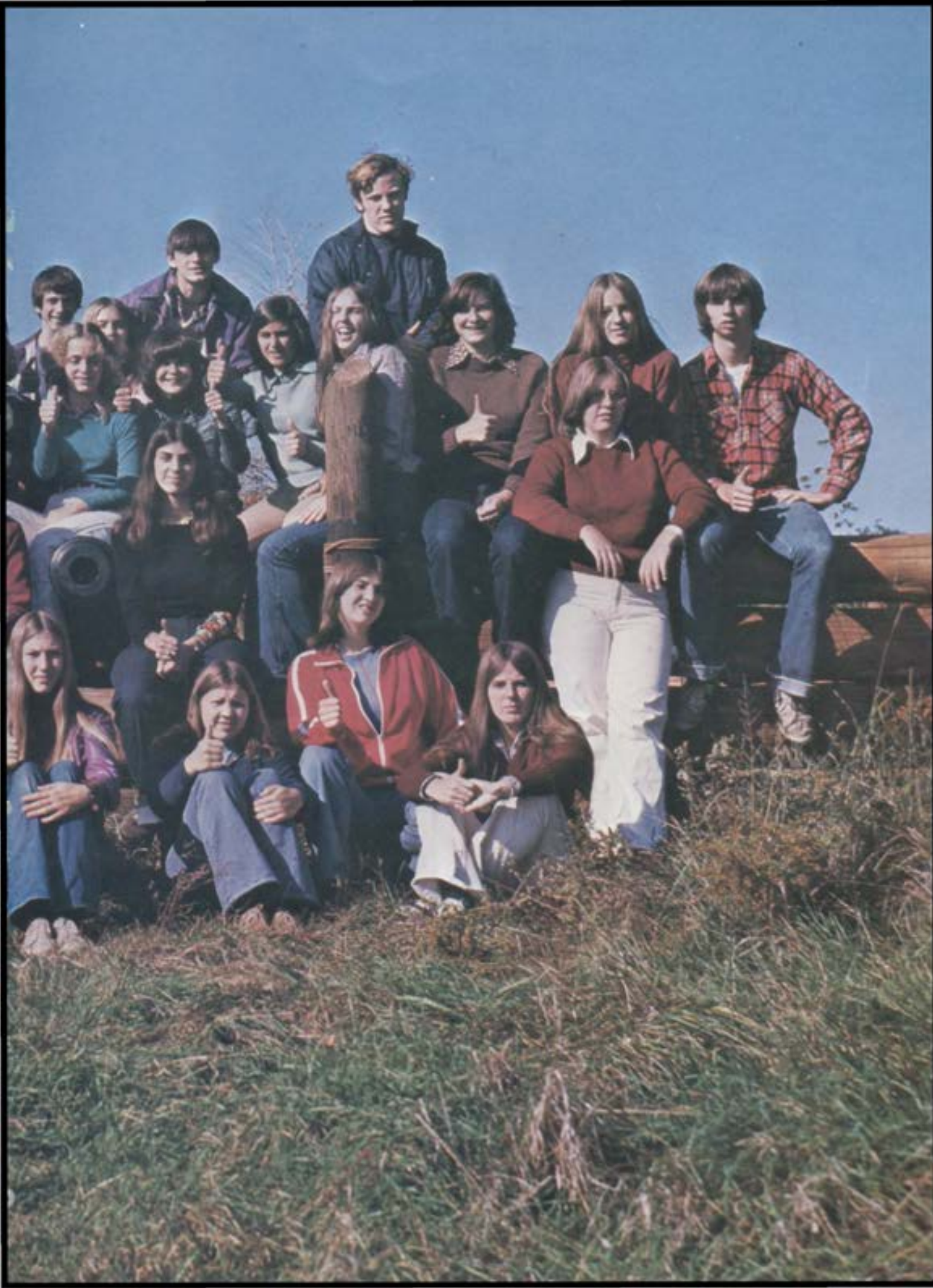
"Few men fail because they lack in capacity, they fail because they lack in application."



Teresa Hubbard

"No man is the whole of himself; his friends are the rest of him."







Art Hyde

"I have been a success for 18 years; I have eaten and have avoided being eaten."



James Hyde

"At times it is better to keep your mouth shut and let people wonder if you are a fool than to open it and remove all doubt."



Nancy Johnson

"Rare as is true love, true friendship is still rarer."



Rita Kennedy
SECRETARY-TREASURER

"God is more truly imagined than expressed, and He exists more truly than He is imagined."



J. Wendy LaPorte

"Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see the shadow."



David L. Liporace

"That person proves his worth who can make us want to listen when he is with us and think when he is gone."



Anna Marie Martelle

"Yesterday's hurt is today's understanding rewoven into tomorrow's love."



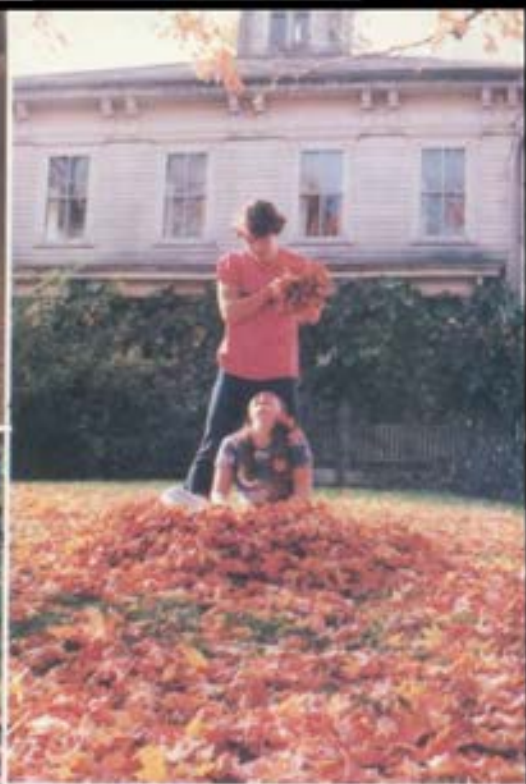
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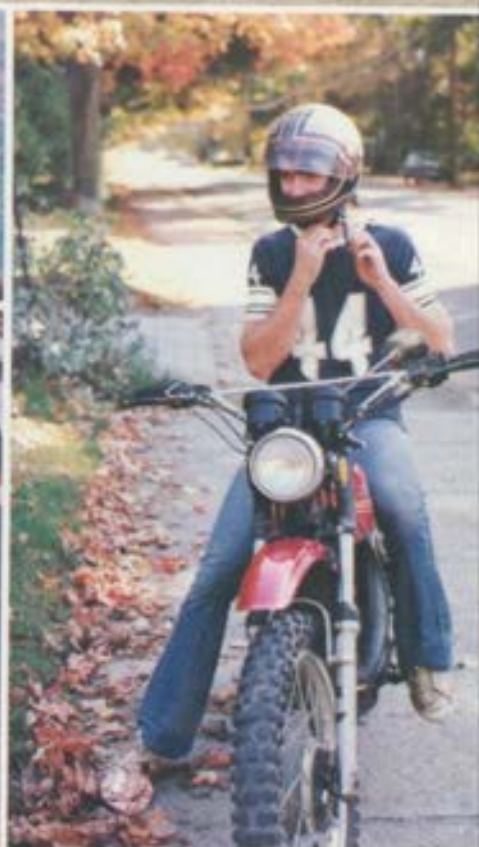
"Is knowledge knowable? If not, how do we know this?"



Mary F. Medvetz
PRESIDENT

"Life is a mystery to be lived, not a problem to be solved."







Robert T. Milliman, Jr.

"It is not what he has or even what he does which expresses the worth of a man but what he is."



Timothy P. Murphy

"Never try to make anyone like yourself - you know, and God knows, that one of you is enough."



Rosemarie H. Nugent

"Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow; don't walk behind me, I may not lead. Just walk beside me and be my friend."



Patricia M. Reyman

"To give someone a memory keeps you close when you're apart."



Julie Ryan

"If you have listened hard enough, you might have heard what I meant to say."



Robert P. Shiland

"I consider the day a total loss if I don't get in trouble for something."



Shella L. Sweet

"A task worth doing and friends worth having makes life worth living."



Mary Ann Verrastro

"The grand essentials of happiness are: something to do, something to love, and something to hope for."



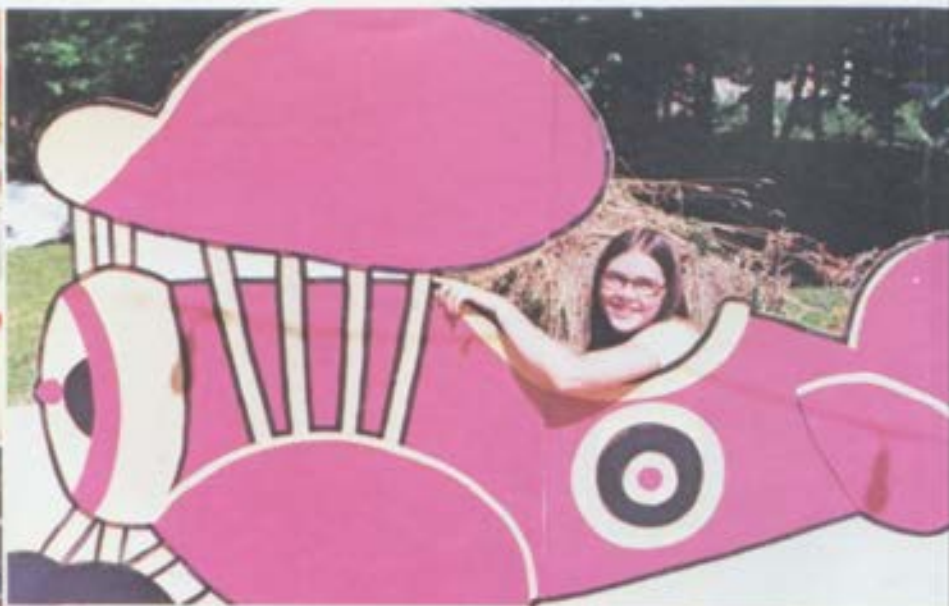
Nancy J. Warrick

"The most thoroughly wasted of all days is that on which one has not laughed."



Anna Mary Willbrant

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



*Funtastic
Fair 1975*



CLASSES



CLASS OF 1977



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L. to R.:

Vice President:
John Hayden

President:
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Secretary:
Mike Waters



CLASS OF 1978



Bottom: A. M. Ramsey, L. McGeoch, C. King, F. Hayden, P. Warrick, M. Brott, K. Shea, M. Loretan, J. Liporace, F. Legacy, M. St. Hilaire, M. Manno. Second row: D. O'Neil, B. Greenwood, T. Waters, D. Connor, S. Krahforst, M. Hyde, D. Wittenberg, C. Percy, K. Ropitsky, J. Salluzzo. Last row: D. Delurey, M. Sheffer, S. Casey, W. Morrissey, S. Carriere, W. Graney, J. Mulligan, B. Corcoran, W. Johnson, M. Crucetti, B. Graney, D. Downey, Mr. Martelle, F. Gorman.



CLASS OFFICERS: C. King - V. President, D. Connor - Treasurer, M. Sheffer - President.



CLASS OF 1979



Bottom row: P. O'Malley, J. Dougherty, K. Gorman, M. Rogers, R. Haviland. Second row: S. Farrara, J. Cross, S. Greenwood, A. Krahforst, P. Casey, M. Cusack, C. Liporace, S. Remancus, B. Ryan, Miss Adsit. Third row: K. Scarey, K. Flood, K. Vogel, N. Morin, J. Maleady, M. Downey, J. Brennan, K. Bodak, E. Percy. Top row: W. Lortan, J. Kuhn, K. Medvetz, P. Brominski.



CLASS OFFICERS: M. Downey - Treasurer, S. Remancus - V. President, P. Brominski - President.



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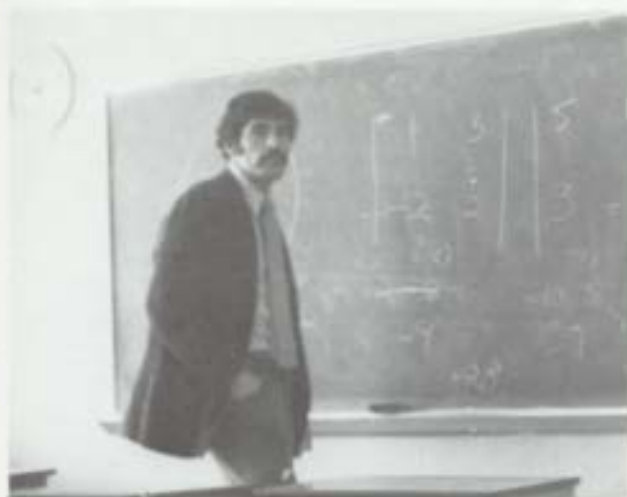
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When the subject of dedication of the 1976 ECHO came up, only one name was uttered. Without hesitation this man's name was unanimously agreed upon as the person to whom this yearbook would be dedicated.

This is only one example of the respect and admiration this man has accrued. In his five years at SMA this man's personal qualities have made a lasting impression on all who he has come in contact with. His charity and guidance are unsurpassed. He is a tireless man who is always available to those who need him, whether it be for advice or counsel, or just someone to talk to and laugh with.

His time, which appears to be infinite, is divided between his roles of teacher, priest, counselor, principal, athletic director, and friend. All are carried out in an almost altruistic nature and manifest a man who deserves nothing less than to be held in our highest esteem.

And now that we are moving away from his influence, we regret that we have not given enough for all he has given to us. So, Father Michael McGuire, in an effort to show a fraction of our appreciation, we dedicate this yearbook to you.





L. to R.: K. Delurey, J. Liporace, M. Percy, R. Albowicz, Fr. McGuire, M. Medvetz, F. Wirmusky, D. Liporace, E. Verrastro, S. Reveal, E. Mahar.

I pledge myself to uphold
The high purposes of the National Honor Society
To which I have been elected
I will be true to the principles for which it stands
I will be loyal to my school
And will maintain and encourage
High standards of scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

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David Liporace



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D.A.R. GOOD CITIZEN
Teresa Hubbard



BETTY CROCKER
FAMILY LEADER OF
TOMORROW
David Liporace





RING CEREMONY



SCHOOL LIFE



*Scattered
Pictures*





*Of the
Smiles We
Left Behind*





Can It Be That It Was All So Simple Then

*What's Too
Painful
to Remember*



*We Simply
Choose
to Forget*





*So It's the Laughter
We Will Remember*



*Whenever We
Remember*



*THE
WAY
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GLEE CLUB



L. to R.: N. Morin, M. Cusack, S. Remancus, F. Wirmusky, G. Becallo, M. Cramer, P. Reyman, R. Nugent, A. Wilbrant, D. Hebert - Moderator.

DRAMA CLUB



Bottom: A. Martelle, J. Foley, M. Cusack, S. Remancus, N. Morin, J. Ryan. Second row: P. Reyman, P. Graney, R. Nugent, M. Waters, L. Scarey, F. Wirmusky, M. Nealon, W. Graney, T. Hubbard, M. Morrissey, P. Graney. Third row: M. Cramer, M. Medvetz, M. Brott, S. Sweet, W. LaPorte, Miss Kelleher - Advisor.

Y E A R B O O K



L. to R.: D. Liporace, T. Hubbard, C. Brandl, Mr. Smith - Advisor, P. Downey, M. Medvetz.



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WSMA



L. to R.: W. LaPorte, R. Nugent, D. Liporace, C. Brandi, T. Hubbard, D. Grimm, J. Foley.

SKI CLUB



Front row: R. Nugent, S. Sweet, J. A. Brahan, L. Scarey, C. Liporace, T. Hubbard, Miss Adsit, F. Hayden, M. Medvetz, C. King, A. Krahforst. Back row: A. Wilbrant, P. Graney, K. Shea, M. Loretan, T. Murphy, W. Loretan, S. Casey, D. Liporace, J. Kuhn.

SOCIAL LIFE





Christmas Pageant





Christmas Party

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INTER-CLASS PLAY COMPETITION



BEST PLAY - "Little Red
Schoolhouse"
FRESHMEN
DIRECTOR - Ann Marie
Martelle



BEST ACTOR - Frank Wirmusky
BEST ACTRESS - Mary Ellen Nealon



FREEDOM TRAIN





50's DANCE



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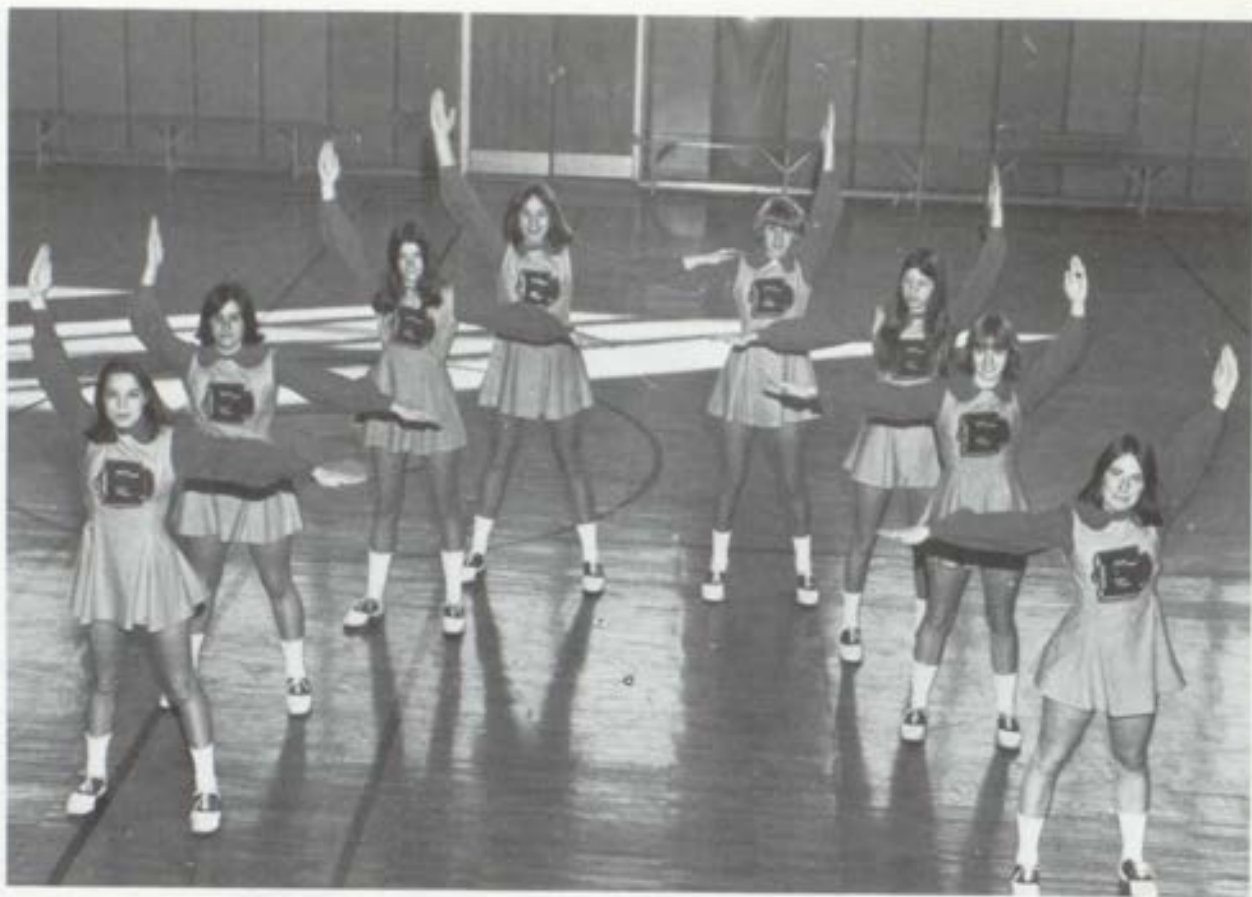
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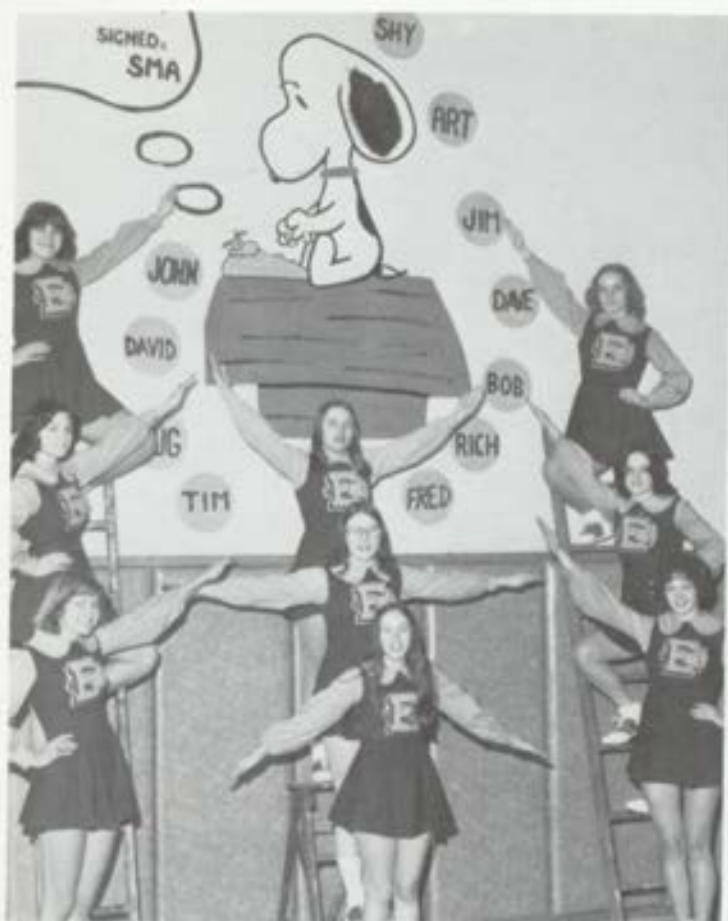




JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

Left to Right: C. Percy, B. Mahar, M. Brott, M. Loretan, J. Liporace, K. Shea, T. Ryan, D. O'Neil.





Varsity Cheerleaders

Ann Marie Martelle, Jo Ann Brahan, Shella Sweet, Janet Foley, Rita Kennedy, Julie Ryan, Kathy DeLurey, Rosie Nugent, Patte Graney.



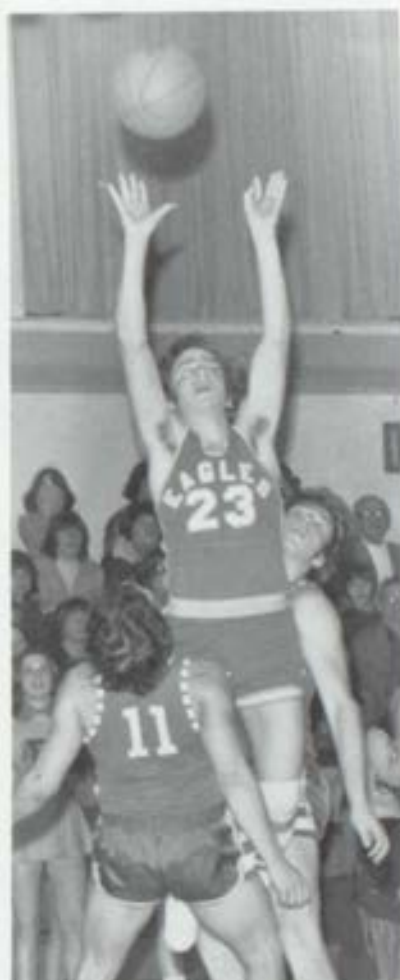


VARSITY: L. to R.: D. Liporace, D. Grimm, R. Milliman, F. Nugent, A. Hyde, J. Hyde, R. Shiland, R. Medvetz, J. Hayden, T. Murphy - Manager.

SMA PURPLE EAGLES

J.V.'s: Bottom: D. Delurey, F. Gorman, K. Gorman, M. Rogers, J. Dougherty, P. Bromirski. Top: M. Sheffer, D. Bromirski, K. Medvetz, W. Loretan, M. Crucetti, Coach - Richard Wirmusky.







FRED BOUPLON - Varsity Coach



RICHARD WIRMUSKY - J. V. Coach





Art Hyde
FORWARD 5'9"



Bob Shiland
FORWARD 5'11"

David Liporace
GUARD 5'7"



Jim Hyde
FORWARD 5'10"



Bob Milliman
GUARD 5'8"

David Grimm
GUARD 5'8"



Frank Nugent
FORWARD 5'9"



Richard Medvetz
GUARD 6'0"

John Hayden
CENTER 6'4"





PEP CLUB

Bottom row: W. LaPorte - V. President, J. Ryan, M. Brott, E. Percy, B. Ryan, C. Liporace, J. Maleady, M. Downey, P. Casey, S. Remancus, M. Cusack, N. Morin. Second row: M. St. Hilaire - Treasurer, M. Hyde, D. Connor, J. Liporace, K. Shea, M. Loretan, D. O'Neill, K. Delurey, J. A. Brahan - President, T. Ryan, J. Foley, A. M. Martelle. Third row: C. Percy, J. Salluzzo, F. Legacy, E. Arm, D. Cataller, B. Mahar, A. Wilbrant, R. Kennedy. Fourth row: B. Greenwood, P. Graney, R. Nugent, S. Sweet, Mrs. E. Bogardus.



Booster Club Officers

Robert Shiland and Leroy Baker



"The Help"

Walt Wirmusky, Delight Cullen, Joe Cullen, and Terry Wirmusky.

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Back row: S. Farrara, K. Flood, M. Loretan, K. Shea, F. Hayden. Center row: S. Remaneus, J. Maleady, N. Morin, E. Percy, S. Downey, C. Liporace, P. Casey, L. Scarey. Kneeling: Father McGuire - Coach, C. Brandl - Captain.



GIRLS' BOWLING



Kneeling, L. to R.: N. Morin, D. O'Neill, M. Cusack, S. Remancus.
Standing, L. to R.: T. Bogardus, M. Cramer, R. Nugent, C. Brandt -
Secretary, R. Kennedy, D. Fitzpatrick.



Junior-Senior
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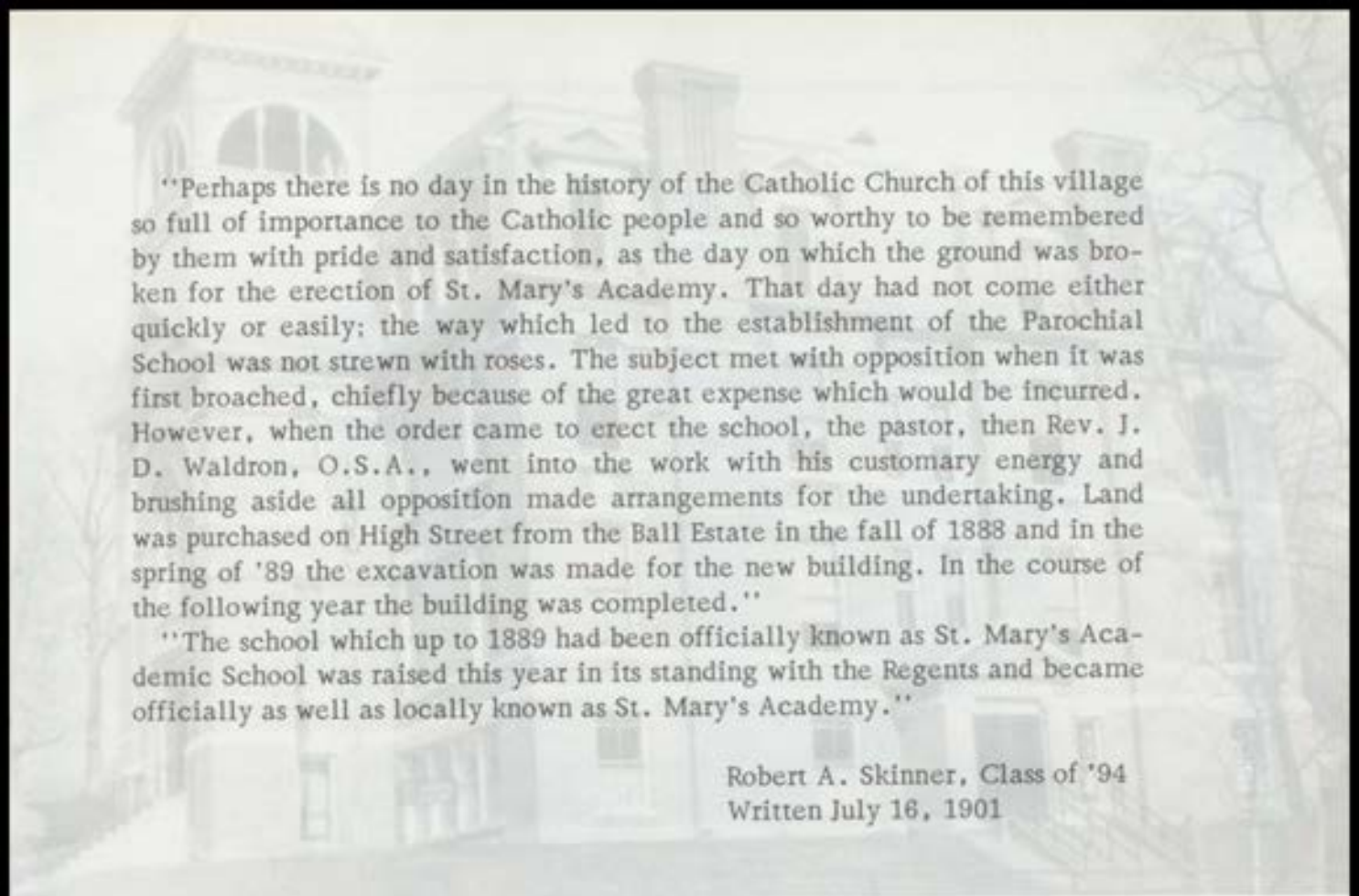
Friend of the Augustinians

- August 28, 1774:
born, New York City.
- January 25, 1794:
married William M. Seton,
New York.
- 1795-1802:
births of 5 children
- December 27, 1803:
widowed in Pisa, Italy. Intro-
duced to Catholic doctrine.
- March 14, 1805:
entered Catholic Church at St.
Peter's, Barclay Street, New
York City.
- May, 1806:
Rev. Michael A. Hurley
O.S.A. Confirmation Sponsor -
confessor. Spiritual advisor.
- June 1, 1809:
assumed religious habit at St.
Mary's Seminary, Paca Street.
- July 31, 1809:
founded St. Joseph's. Estab-
lished the Sisters of Charity of
America.
- February 22, 1810:
began St. Joseph's Free School
and Academy in the White
House.
- January 4, 1821:
died in White House, Emmits-
burg.
- March 17, 1963:
beatified and given title of
Blessed Elizabeth Ann Seton at
St. Peter's, Rome, by Pope
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- September 14, 1975:
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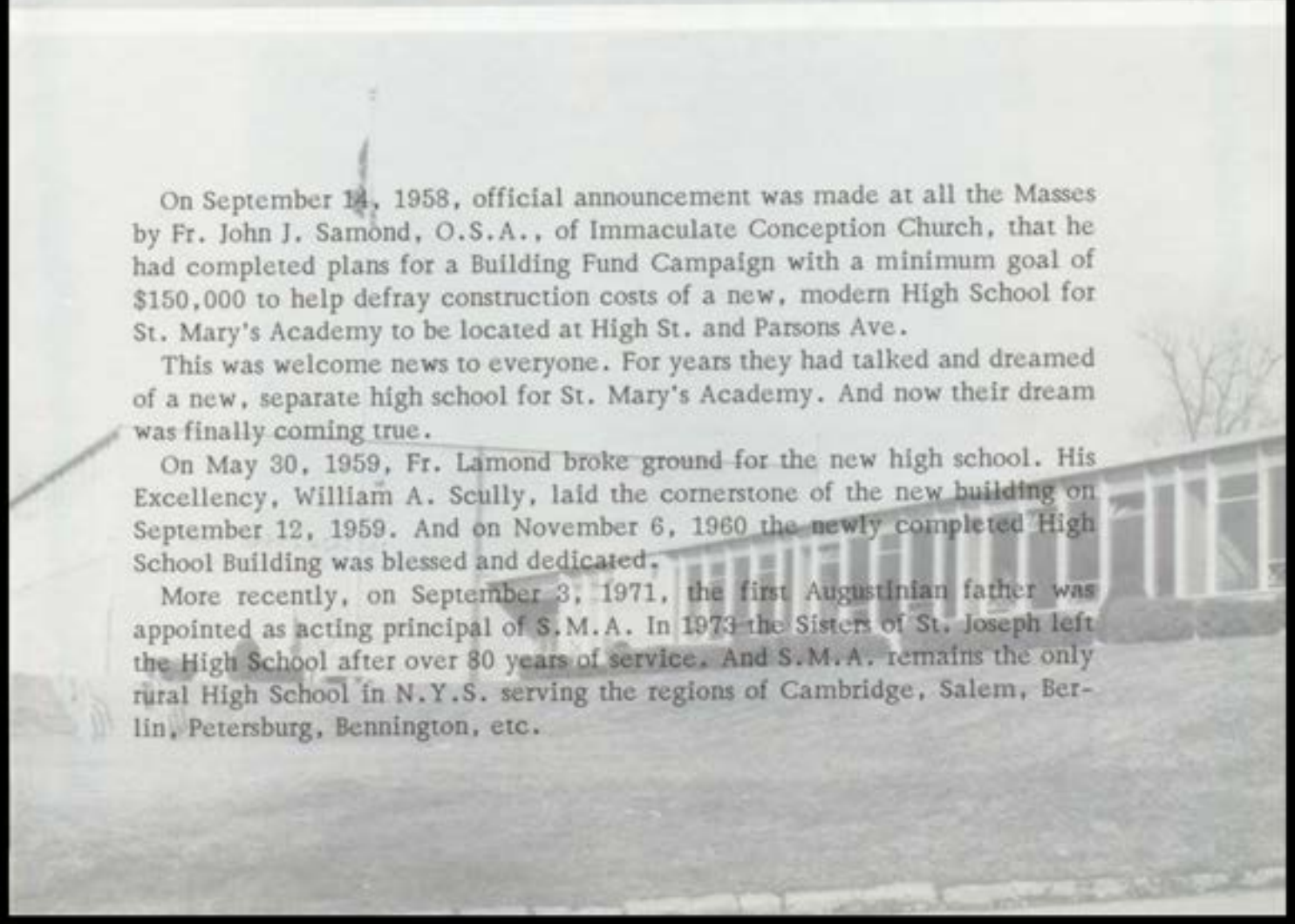
THE AUGUSTINIAN
FATHERS



"Perhaps there is no day in the history of the Catholic Church of this village so full of importance to the Catholic people and so worthy to be remembered by them with pride and satisfaction, as the day on which the ground was broken for the erection of St. Mary's Academy. That day had not come either quickly or easily; the way which led to the establishment of the Parochial School was not strewn with roses. The subject met with opposition when it was first broached, chiefly because of the great expense which would be incurred. However, when the order came to erect the school, the pastor, then Rev. J. D. Waldron, O.S.A., went into the work with his customary energy and brushing aside all opposition made arrangements for the undertaking. Land was purchased on High Street from the Ball Estate in the fall of 1888 and in the spring of '89 the excavation was made for the new building. In the course of the following year the building was completed."

"The school which up to 1889 had been officially known as St. Mary's Academic School was raised this year in its standing with the Regents and became officially as well as locally known as St. Mary's Academy."

Robert A. Skinner, Class of '94
Written July 16, 1901



On September 14, 1958, official announcement was made at all the Masses by Fr. John J. Samond, O.S.A., of Immaculate Conception Church, that he had completed plans for a Building Fund Campaign with a minimum goal of \$150,000 to help defray construction costs of a new, modern High School for St. Mary's Academy to be located at High St. and Parsons Ave.

This was welcome news to everyone. For years they had talked and dreamed of a new, separate high school for St. Mary's Academy. And now their dream was finally coming true.

On May 30, 1959, Fr. Lamond broke ground for the new high school. His Excellency, William A. Scully, laid the cornerstone of the new building on September 12, 1959. And on November 6, 1960 the newly completed High School Building was blessed and dedicated.

More recently, on September 3, 1971, the first Augustinian father was appointed as acting principal of S.M.A. In 1973 the Sisters of St. Joseph left the High School after over 80 years of service. And S.M.A. remains the only rural High School in N.Y.S. serving the regions of Cambridge, Salem, Berlin, Petersburg, Bennington, etc.

Dear Graduates of the Class of 1976:

I wish to congratulate you, your parents, and teachers as you come to the end of your high school career. You graduate from Saint Mary's at an historic moment, just as our nation is celebrating its Bicentennial. The diploma that you receive has a special significance because it represents the privilege that was yours to attend Saint Mary's Academy, a Catholic high school, which has played no small part in our American Catholic Heritage.

This privilege was yours because many were concerned for you - your parents, priests, teachers and alumni - all have made loving sacrifices that you might experience these years of maturing in a Christian atmosphere of faith, hope and love.

Moreover, your diploma is a symbol of youth and of accomplishment in our comparatively young nation whose glorious goal has been the growth and development of its people spiritually, intellectually, and culturally.

Yes, you owe a great debt: To your parents for the life, love, growth, training, guidance and inspiration they have given you; To your friends for joy and help; To your Country for protection, freedom and opportunity; To all your parish associations with their moral standards, principles and service. "Freely you have received, freely give."

As you assume the responsibility of Christian leadership for which your Catholic education has prepared you, my prayer is that you will carry on what you have already begun in the living of lives that proclaim the message of faith, and hope, and love that has been passed on to you.

Capture the spirit of these famous words of our first Catholic President, John F. Kennedy: "with good conscience our only sane reward, with history the final judge of our deeds, let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking His blessing and His help, but, knowing that here on earth God's work must truly be our own." God bless you with health, happiness, and success in your future endeavors.

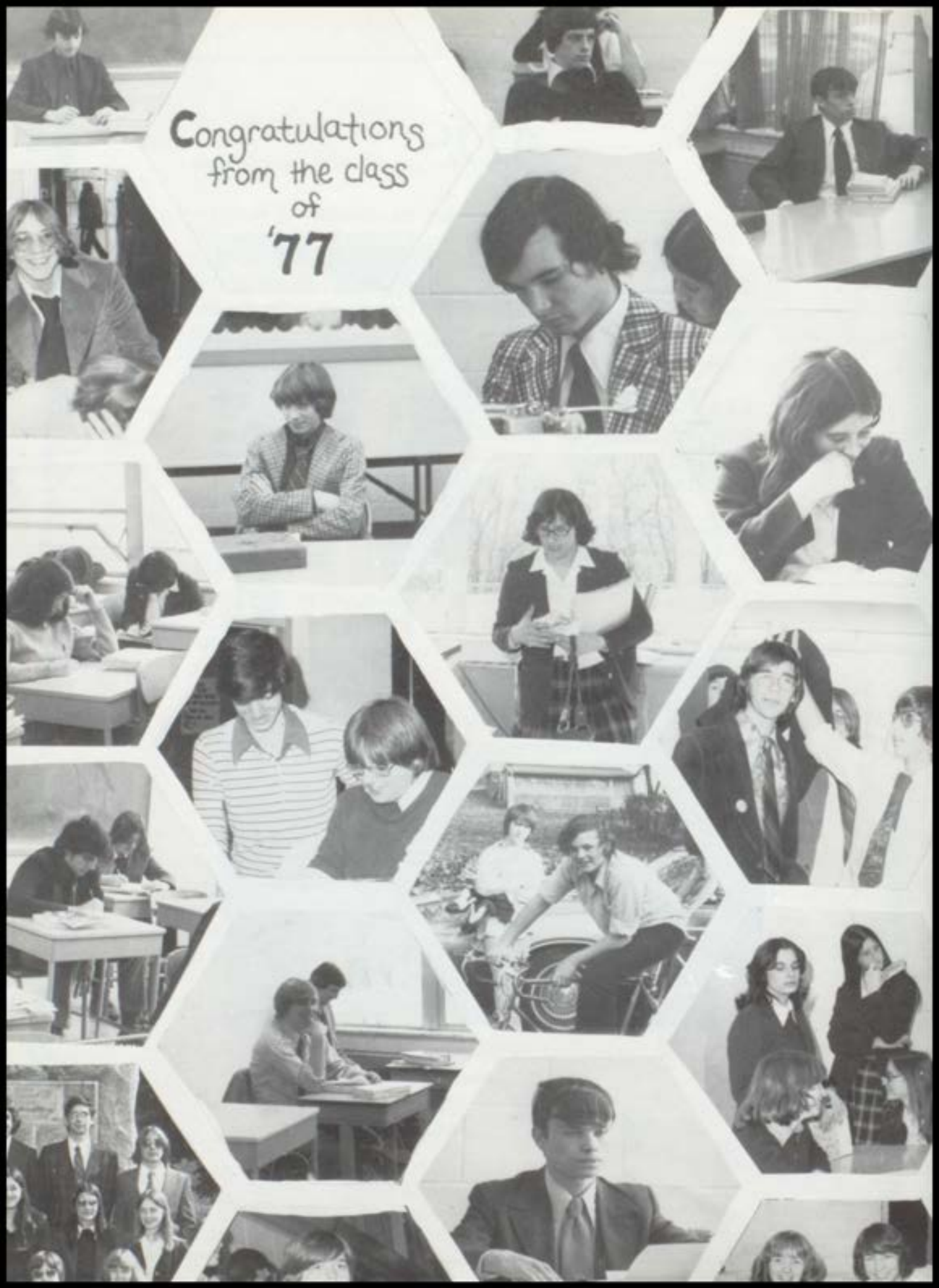
Faithfully yours in Christ,

Father McGuire, S.J.

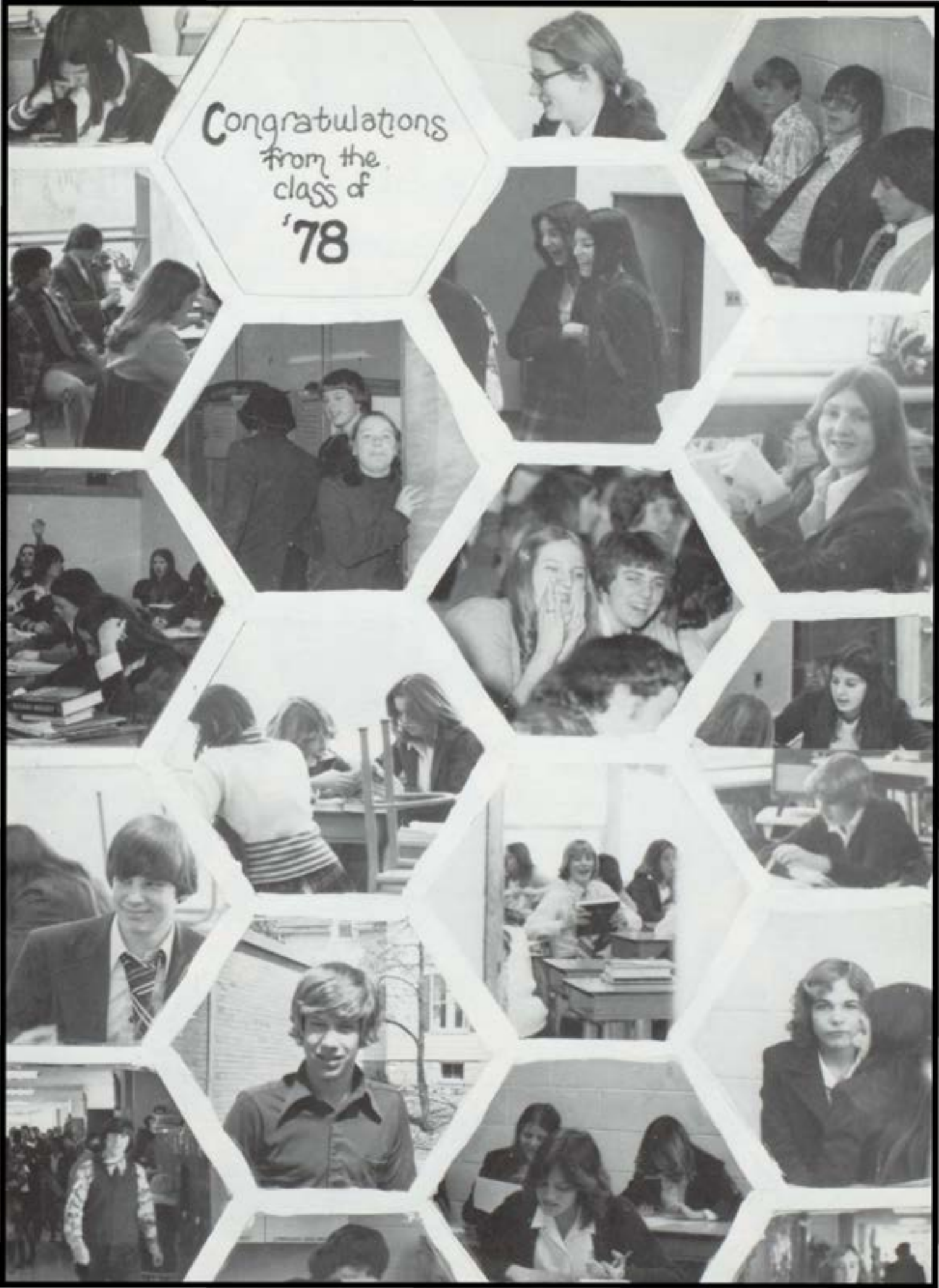
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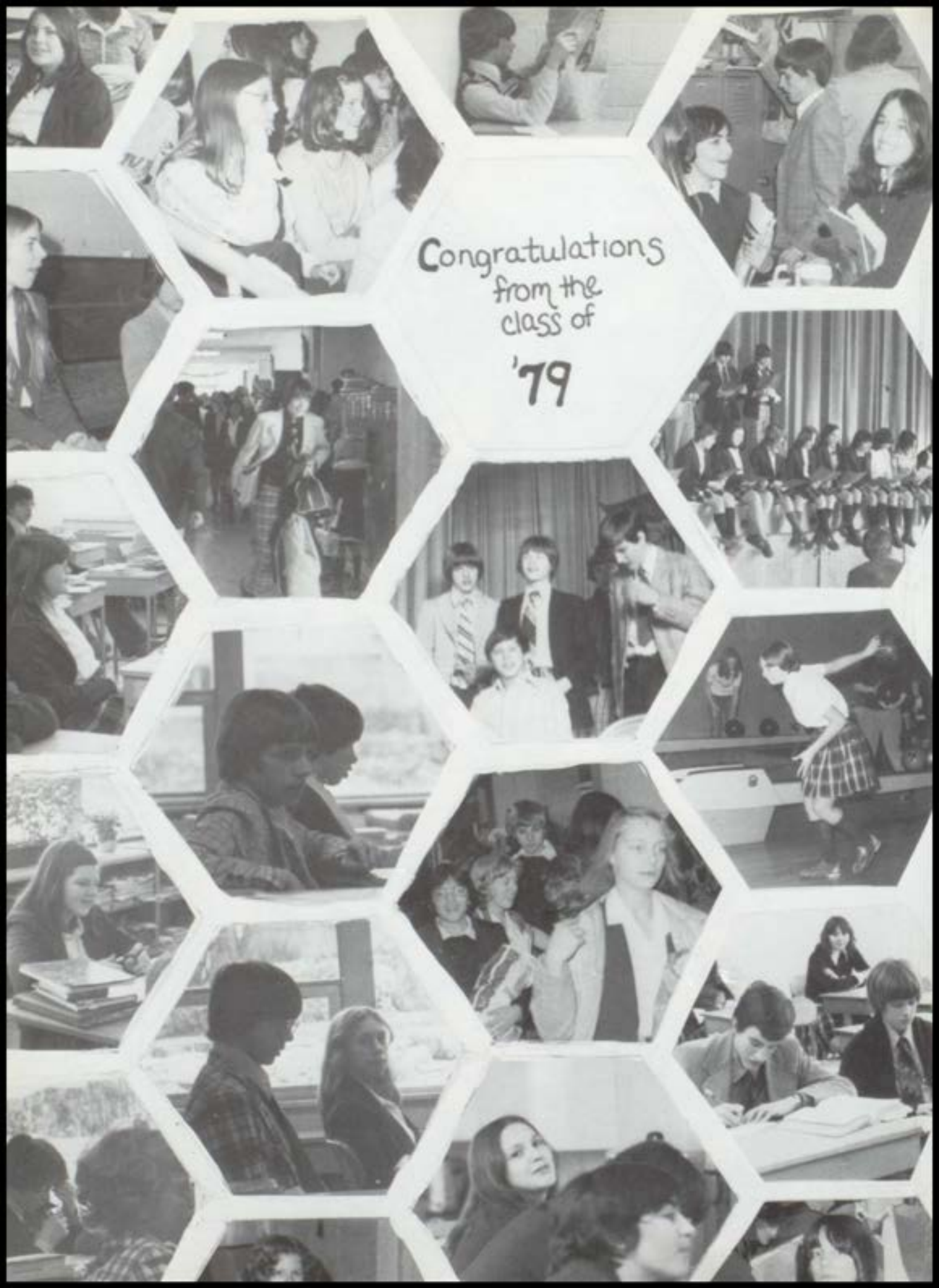


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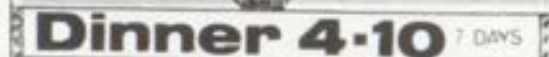
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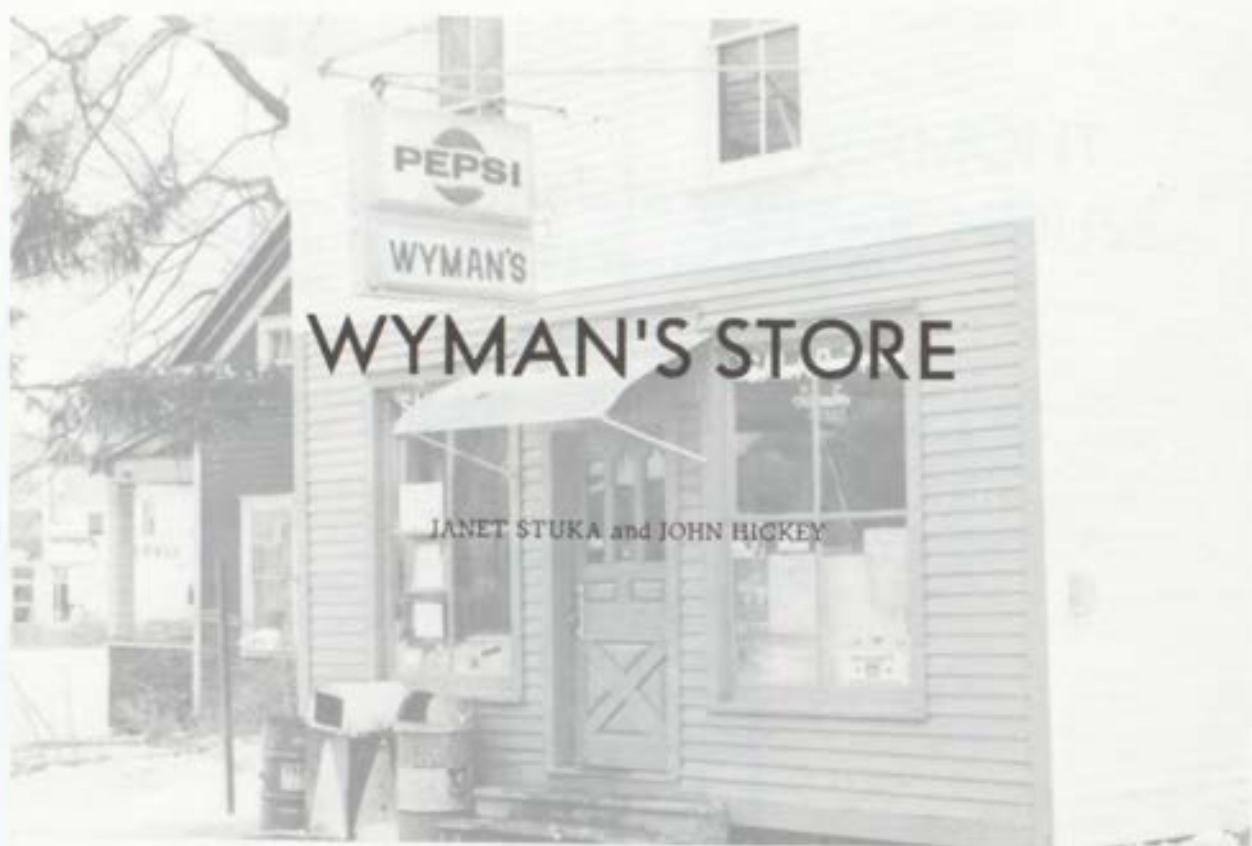
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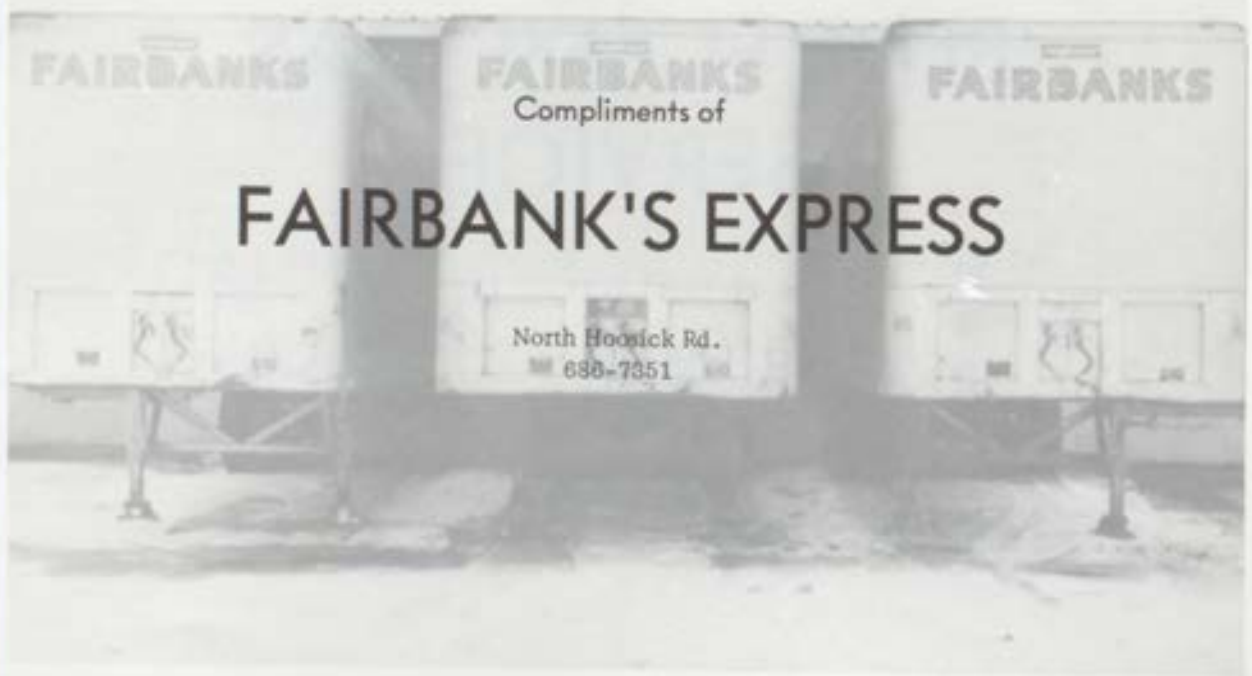
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