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JANUARY CLASS  
OF  
1955

*"To Work for Success is to Attain it."*



### RHODES HYMN

Dear old Rhodes High  
Thy wisdom lights our paths  
Thy friendship true  
Stays with us to the last.

We stand united  
In thy purpose true  
Loyal and faithful  
To the white and blue.

# JAMES FORD RHODES HIGH SCHOOL



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*of*  
1955



To you because you have suffered through ump-teen homeroom periods with us.

Because you have been always ready to give your welcome advice whenever we were in need of it.

In appreciation of your guidance to better citizenship and because you have joined with us to make our social lives more enjoyable.

We hereby, with every warm affection, dedicate our yearbook to Miss Lanese, Mr. Hicks and Mr. Levine. We do this in the hope that you will remember us as a class of which you will always be proud.





**NEIL D. MATHEWS**

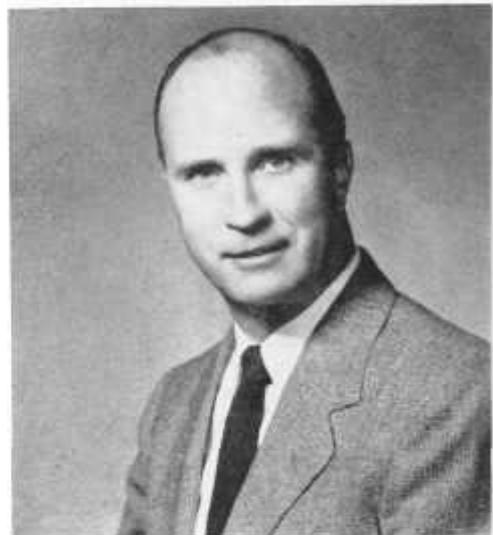
To Members of the Class of January, 1955:

John Stuart Mill, famous nineteenth century English philosopher, wrote: "One man with a belief is a social force superior to ninety-nine men who have only an interest." We hope that your four years at Rhodes High School have helped you to develop a belief in our educational institutions, a belief in the Republic of which you are a part and a belief in your fellow human beings, as well as belief in yourselves. Your worth as citizens will depend largely upon your beliefs, especially those which impel you to the right kind of action. May each of you have reason to be proud of the way you do your part in the life of your community however small or great that part may be.

**NEIL D. MATHEWS**



**MISS HIER**



**MR. GAISER**



**MR. FERGUSON**

We wish to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation for the many ways in which you have helped us solve the problems which so often confronted us during our four years at Rhodes. Your guidance and understanding have helped us greatly, and will serve to make us better persons in the future.

For this and the many other services you have rendered, we the January Class of "55," sincerely thank you.

## CLASS OFFICERS



**ROBERT TURCHANIK**  
President



**FRED BRANDSTADT**   **JEANINE JASTER**   **EDWARD AYRES**  
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Wilbert Janos, Bill Dickens, Cathy Merkle, chairman, Jim Bird, George Hascher,  
Nancy Haas, June Kaufmann, Peggy Perry, Judy Foote



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Bob Wohlgemuth, Louise Argenziano, Irma Schweier, Shirley Bouga  
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ANNOUNCEMENT COMMITTEE**

Elaine Behm, Floyd Stephenson, Lois Kickel, Ralph Haak, Eleanor Doucha



**EDWARD GILBERT AYRES**

**SALUTE TO THE  
VALEDICTORIAN**

Because Ed Ayres, our class valedictorian has strived so persistently and attained his scholastic position, as he has always performed his every duty, we are sure he will succeed in the future.

We will always remember our quiet and amiable scholar.

**CLASS MOTTO**

"To strive for success is to attain it."



**JANUARY CLASS OF 1955**

**ANDREWS, STEVE**  
"Thunderbird"

Sigma Hi-Y; German Club; Track.



**BIRD, JAMES DOUGLASS**  
"Jim"

Booster's Club; Art Club; Sigma Hi-Y, president, vice president, secretary; Decathlon; 9th Grade Chorus; Student Council Representative; 12A Social Committee; Junior Achievement, production manager of company; Track.

**ARGENZIANO, LOUISE MARY**  
"Geazie"

Orchestra, student director; Senior Choir; Triple Trio; Madrigal Singers; All-City Choir; Latin Club; Band and Orchestra Club; Girl's Glee Club; All-State Orchestra; Intramural Sports; 12A Year Book Committee; Band; Office Worker; "For Old Times Sake"; "Waltz Dream."



**BOUGA, SHIRLEY MAE**  
"Shirl"

9th Grade Chorus; Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; Future Teachers of America Club; Junior Achievement, vice-president, secretary of company; German Club; Intramural Sports; Booster's Club; Teacher-class assistant; 12A Class Typist.

**AYRES, EDWARD GILBERT**  
"Ed"

National Honor Society, vice president; 12A Class Treasurer; Citizen's Club; Sigma Hi-Y, secretary, treasurer; Foreman's Club; Freshman Football; Decathlon; 9th Grade Chorus; Booster's Club; Work and Win Club; Junior Achievement, president of company; Student Council Representative.



**BRANDSTADT, FRED E.**  
"Fritz"

Freshman Football; Freshman Basketball; Junior Varsity Football; Junior Varsity Basketball; Varsity Football; Varsity Track; Alpha Hi-Y, president; German Club; Citizen's Club, president; Letterman's Club, secretary, treasurer; Boy's Leaders Club, vice-president; Student Council, vice-president; Intramural Sports.

**BAKOS, JOANNE MARIE**  
"Jo"

Future Nurses of America Club; Booster's Club; Senior Y-Teen; 11A Social Committee; Intramural Sports; Junior Achievement; Alpha Tri-Hi-Y.



**COAKWELL, RICHARD G.**  
"Rick"

Sigma Hi-Y; Freshman Football; Freshman Track; Junior Varsity Track; Junior Achievement; Intramural Sports.

**BEHM, ELAINE JOSEPHINE**  
"E"

Library Club; Band and Orchestra Club; Senior Y-Teen; Band; Majorette; 12A Color and Flower Committee; Intramural Sports.



**COOK, BETTY JANE**  
"Cookie"

9th Grade Chorus; Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; Future Teachers of America Club; Junior Achievement, treasurer of company; German Club; 12B Social Committee; Intramural Sports; Booster's Club.

**DAYKIN, HENRY WARD**  
"Deacon-Dan"

Interscholastic Tennis; German Club; Cross Country; Audio-Visual Aid; Booster's Club; Boy's Glee Club; "Our Town," stage manager.



**ERDMAN, CAROL ROSE**  
"Posie"

German Club; Senior Y-Teen; Office Production.

**DEIOTTE, THOMAS JOSEPH**  
"Sarge"

Junior Varsity Basketball; Stagecraft; Intramural Sports.



**FOERSTER, DOROTHY G.**  
"Dottie"

Hostess.

**DeMOOY, RICHARD**  
"Dick"

Foreman's Club; Bowling Team.

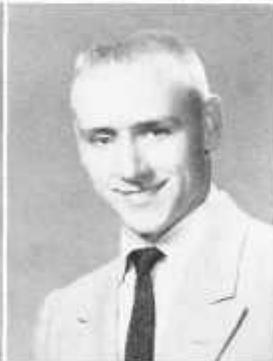


**FOOTE, JUDITH M.**  
"Feet"

Intramural Sports; Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; Booster's Club; Junior Achievement; Future Teachers of America Club, secretary; 9th Grade Chorus; Orchestra; Band and Orchestra Club; 12A Social Committee; Rhodes Review Staff; Work and Win Club.

**DICKENS, WILLIAM A., JR.**  
"Bill"

Citizen's Club; German Club; Booster's Club, president; Foreign Affairs Club, president; Masque and Gavel Club; 11A Social Committee; 12A Social Committee; Freshman Track; "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay"; "Our Town"; Junior Achievement; Sigma Hi-Y; Student Council Representative; Audio-Visual Aids; Intramural Sports.



**HAAK, RALPH**

Freshman Football; Booster's Club; Boy's Glee Club; Junior Varsity and Varsity Football Manager; Sigma Hi-Y, president; Intramural Sports; Junior Achievement; 11A Class vice-president; Citizen's Club, vice-president; Letterman's Club.

**DOUCHA, ELEANOR GAIL**  
"Ele"

Home Economics Club; Band; Orchestra; Senior Y-Teen; 12A Cap and Gown Committee.



**HAAS, NANCY BETH**  
"Nanc"

Citizen's Club, social chairman; Senior Y-Teen, Girl's Glee Club, vice-president; Senior Choir; Canteen Committee; 9th Grade Chorus; 11A Social Committee; 12A Social Committee; Booster's Club; Intramural Sports; Future Teachers of America Club.

**HASCHER, GEORGE**  
"Hash"

Booster's Club; Foreign Affairs Club, treasurer; German Club, treasurer; Boy's Glee Club; Junior Achievement; Junior Varsity Basketball; Intramural Sports; 11A Class treasurer; 12B Social Committee; 12A Social Committee.



**JASTER, JEANINE JUDITH**  
"J. J."

National Honor Society, treasurer; 12A Class Secretary; Girl's Leaders Club, president; Foreign Affairs Club; Student Council Representative, tax stamp chairman; Work and Win Club; Intramural Sports; Future Teachers of America Club; 9th Grade Chorus; Citizen's Club; Latin Club; Senior Y-Teen; Booster's Club; Office Production; Badminton Team.



**HAZEY, JOHN J.**  
"J. H."



**KAUFMANN, JUNE ELIZABETH**

9th Grade Chorus; Senior Y-Teen; Booster's Club; 11A Social Committee; Art Club.



**HOLTER, BARBARA ANN**  
"Barb"

9th Grade Chorus; Junior Choir; Girl's Glee Club; Student Council Representative; Citizen's Club; German Club; 12A Year Book Committee; Boster's Club; Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen Intramural Sports; National Honor Society.



**KAUFMANN, LOUISE ANNETTE**

9th Grade Chorus; Girl's Glee Club; Senior Choir; Senior Y-Teen; Booster's Club; Intramural Sports; Teacher's Assistant; 11A and 12B Flower Committees.



**HJETTER, HARVEY P.**  
"Harv"

Citizen's Club; Booster's Club; German Club; Varsity "R" Club; Student Council Representative; Track Team; Cross-Country Team; 12A Year Book Committee; Lab Assistant; Foreign Affairs Club. National Honor Society.



**KICKEL, LOIS ANN**

Girl's Leaders Club; Foreign Affairs Club; Future Nurses of America Club, vice president, treasurer; Home Economics Club; 12A Commencement Announcements Committee; Intramural Sports; 9th Grade Chorus; Junior Choir; Hostess; Dispensary Aid; Senior Y-Teen, cabinet member; Booster's Club.



**JANOS, WILBERT JOHN**  
"Willie"

Freshman Football; Varsity Football; Varsity Football manager; Foreman's Club; Intramural Sports; 12A Social Committee.



**KLAMAR, JOHN ANDREW**

National Honor Society; Student Council, president; Citizen's Club, vice-president; German Club, president and vice-president; Alpha Hi-Y, secretary and president; Foreign Affairs Club, secretary; Varsity Football; Varsity Track; Letterman's Club; Lab Assistant; Booster's Club; 11A Social Committee; 12B Vice-President; 12A Yearbook Committee; Canteen Committee, chairman.



**KOUBA, VIVIAN HELEN**  
"Viv"

Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; 11A Social Committee; Intramural Sports; Posture Contest.



**MEIHOFFER, RON**  
"Hoffer"

Junior Varsity Football; Junior Varsity Basketball; Varsity Football; Varsity Basketball; Citizen's Club; Honors Reading; Alpha Hi-Y; Letterman's Club; Foreign Affairs Club.

**KRONENBERGER, RONALD C.**  
"Ron"

Art Club; Booster's Club; Foreign Affairs Club; Lab Assistant; Freshman Track; Junior Achievement; Boy's Glee Club; National Honor Society.



**MERKLE, CATHERINE MARIE**  
"Cathy"

Senior Choir, treasurer; Girl's Glee Club, president; Booster's Club, secretary; German Club, treasurer, vice-president; Citizen's Club; Lab Assistant; Student Council Representative, social chairman; National Honor Society, secretary; Intramural Sports; Future Teachers of America Club; 12A Class Social Chairman; 12B Class Treasurer; 11A Class Social Chairman; Canteen Committee; Senior Y-Teen, cabinet member.

**MACK, LAWRENCE**  
"Larry"

Band and Orchestra Club; Band; Orchestra; Audio-Visual Aid; Interscholastic Tennis.



**MILLER, ROSE MARIE**  
"Rosie"

Student Council Representative; Band; Orchestra; Girl's Glee Club; Senior Choir; Band and Orchestra Club; Latin Club; Booster's Club; Senior Y-Teen; Junior Y-Teen; 12B Social Committee; Intramural Sports; Triple Trio; "Waltz Dream."

**MALM, DICK**

Freshman Football; Rhoda Hi-Y, president; Junior Varsity Football; Freshman Track; Varsity Football; Foreman's Club, president.



**PALL, JACQUELINE L.**  
"Jackie"

Future Teachers of America Club; Senior Y-Teen; Booster's Club; Intramural Sports.

**McKENNA, TOM**  
"Mac"

Freshman Football; Junior Varsity Football; Varsity Football; Freshman Basketball; Intramural Sports; Booster's Club; Citizen's Club; German Club; Masque and Gavel Club; "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay"; 9th Grade Chorus; Junior Choir; Senior Choir; Boy's Glee Club; Boy's Octet; 12B Social Committee; "Our Town."



**PERRY, PEGGY ANN**  
"Peg"

Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; Booster's Club; Noon movie attendant; Intramural Sports; 12A Social Committee; 11A Social Committee.

**REYNOLDS, FLETCHER A.**  
"Sabu"

Audio-Visual Aid; Noon Movie operator; Boy's Glee Club; Orchestra; Religious Club; Freshman Track; Junior Achievement.



**ROSE, ALLAN**  
"Big Al"

Junior Varsity Football; Intramural Sports.

**RIPICH, SANDRA SUZANNE**  
"Sandy"

Senior Y-Teen, cabinet member; 12B Class Secretary; Junior Choir, secretary; Senior Choir; Future Teachers of America Club; Citizen's Club; Canteen Committee; Intramural Sports; Foreign Affairs Club, secretary, treasurer; Cheerleader, head; Great Books Club; Rhodes Review Staff, advertising editor; Coaches Secretary; 12A Year Book Chairman. National Honor Society.



**RUDO, JOAN HELEN**  
"Jo"

Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; 11A Social Committee; 12B Social Committee; Booster's Club; Intramural Sports; Art Club.

**RIVELLINO, ROCCO**  
"Rocky"

Bowling Team; Golfing; Decathlon; Senior Choir; Junior Choir; Intramural Sports.



**RUSINKO, GERALD J.**  
"Jerry"

Audio-Visual Aids; Noon Movie Operator; Sigma Hi-Y; Booster's Club; Intramural Sports; Sportsman's Club.

**ROCHE, EUGENE**  
"Rochey"

Intramural Sports; Freshman Football; Foreman's Club; Track Manager.



**SCHMOTZER, GARY L.**  
"Lee"

9th Grade Chorus.

**RODAMER, RONALD**  
"Ron"

Intramural Sports; Student Council Representative.



**SCHWEIER, IRMA CAROLE**  
"Irm"

11A Class Secretary; 12B Social Committee, chairman; 12A Year Book Committee; Booster's Club; Future Teachers of America Club; Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; Junior Choir; Band; Intramural Sports.

**SEELBACH, DAVID**  
"Dave"

Track Team; Cross Country Team; Letterman's Club; Bowling Team; Intramural Sports; Student Council Representative.



**SMITH, BOB JOHN**  
"Smiling"

**SHADDOCK, THOMAS R.**  
"Moe"

Student Council Representative; German Club; Track Team; Cross Country Team, captain; Letterman's Club; Intramural Sports.



**STEPHENSON, FLOYD G.**  
German Club; German Play; Intramural Sports; 12A Color and Flower Committee.

**SHERIDAN, PAUL GEORGE JR.**  
"Creamer"

Freshman Football; Freshman Track; Junior Varsity Football; Junior Varsity Track; Varsity Football; Varsity Track; Citizen's Club; Band; Orchestra; "For Old Times Sake"; Varsity "R" Club; 9th Grade Chorus; Intramural Sports; Band and Orchestra Club; "Waltz Dream"; Student Council Representative; maintenance chairman.



**SYDER, WALTER**  
Sigma Hi-Y; Booster's Club; Intramural Sports; Stagecraft.

**SHINKO, JULIUS STEVEN, JR.**  
"Jules"

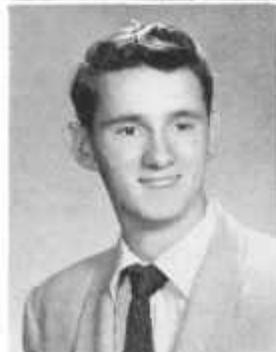
9th Grade Chorus; Sigma Hi-Y; Foreman's Club; Badminton team; 12A Class Photographer.



**TURCHANIK, BOB**  
"Turk"  
Freshman Football; Freshman Basketball; Junior Varsity Basketball; Varsity Track; Varsity Football Captain; Varsity Basketball; Alpha Hi-Y; Letterman's Club, president; Foreman's Club; Boy's Leaders Club; 11A Class President; 12B Class President; 12A Class President; Intramural Sports; Student Council Representative.

**SKUDERIN, NORMAN FRANK**  
"Skud"

Sigma Hi-Y; Foreman's Club.



**URBANSKYJ, LESIA ANNA**  
"Anna"  
Girl's Glee Club; German Club; French Club; Band and Orchestra Club.

**VAVROCK, JOHN ANTHONY**  
"John"

Freshman Football; Freshman Basketball; Freshman Track; Junior Varsity Basketball; Varsity Football; Varsity Track; Boy's Leaders Club; Letterman's Club; Citizen's Club; Latin Club; Band and Orchestra Club; Senior Choir, president; Boy's Octet; Madrigal Singers; Boy's Glee Club; Intramural Sports; All-City Choir.



**WEIN, CARL DANIEL**

**WALKER, PATRICIA LOUISE**  
"Pat"

Student Council Representative; Junior Y-Teen; Band; Band and Orchestra Club; 9th Grade Chorus; Booster's Club; Girl's Glee Club; Posture Contest; Senior Y-Teen.



**WILCZYNSKI ANTHONY**  
"Tony"

German Club; Foreign Affairs Club; Sigma Hi-Y; Booster's Club; Intramural Sports; National Honor Society.



**WOHLGEMUTH, BOB**  
"Woogie"

Freshman Football; Freshman Track; Sigma Hi-Y; Intramural Sports; Sportsman's Club; 12A Year Book Committee; Junior Varsity Football.



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James Ford Rhodes Alumni Association 2022



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Sponsor: Mr. Louis Levine



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Sponsor: Mr. Reilly



**FUTURE TEACHERS OF AMERICA**  
Sponsor: Miss Ord



**ART CLUB**  
Sponsor: Miss Martha Kenyon



**FUTURE NURSES OF AMERICA**  
Sponsor: Miss Poe



**LIBRARY CLUB**  
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**FOREMAN'S CLUB**  
Sponsor: Mr. Ernest Bereit



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Sponsor: Mr. William Ralls



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Sponsor: Miss Leona Millard



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Sponsor: Miss Ruth Hier



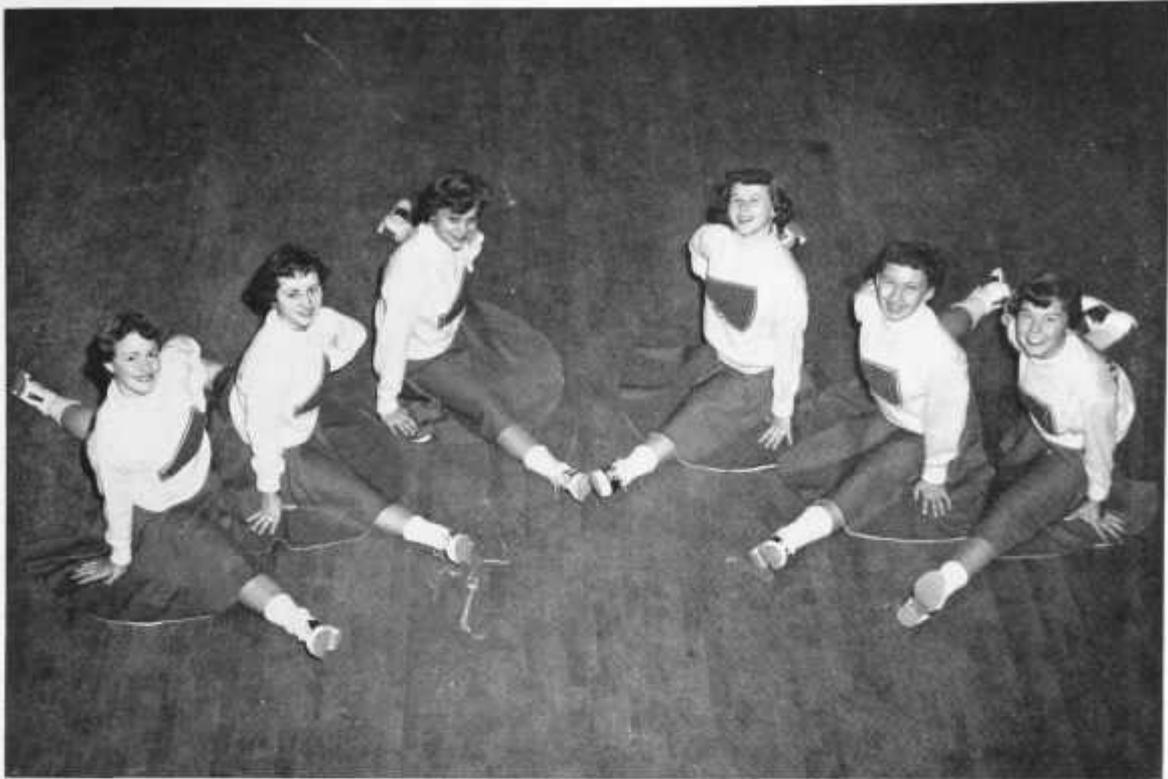
**BOOSTER'S CLUB**  
Sponsor: Mr. G. D. VanNortwick



**JAMES FORD RHODES BAND**  
Director: Mr. Otto Schmidt



**JAMES FORD RHODES ORCHESTRA**  
Director: Mr. Otto Schmidt



### **CHEERLEADERS**

Barbara Dake, Joan Timko, Pat Rice, Joan Hoyer, Virginia Valchar,  
Sandy Ripich, Head Cheerleader



### **MAJORETTES**

Marlene Metro, Head Majorette  
Elaine Behm, Marilyn Bemer, Barbara Scott, Pat Johanni, Helen Hadacek.



**GIRL'S TRIPLE TRIO**  
Director: Mr. G. D. VanNortwick



**BOYS' OCTET**  
Director: Mr. G. D. VanNortwick



**BOY'S GLEE CLUB**  
Director: Mr. G. D. VanNortwick



**MADRIGAL SINGERS**  
Director: Mr. G. D. VanNortwick



**GIRL'S GLEE CLUB**  
Director: Mr. G. D. VanNortwick



**BAND AND ORCHESTRA CLUB**  
Sponsor: Mr. Otto Schmidt



**A CAPPELLA CHOIR**  
Sponsor: Mr. G. D. VanNortwick



**LETTERMAN'S CLUB**  
Coach: W. W. Vannorsdall



**SPORTS COACHING STAFF**



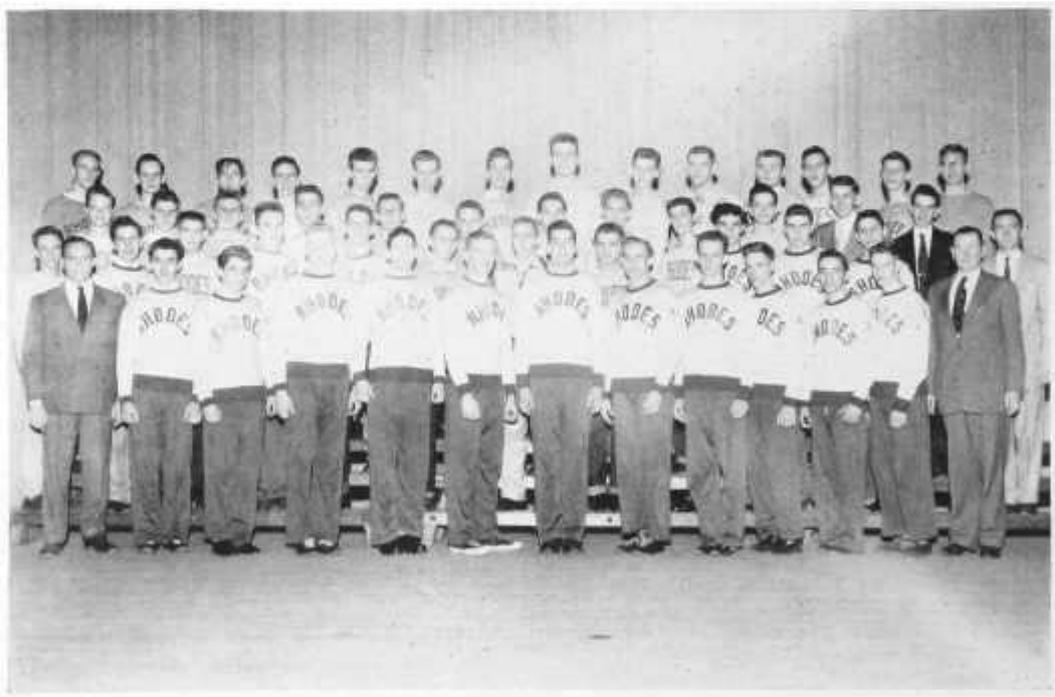
**BOY'S LEADERS CLUB**  
Sponsor: Mr. William Moritz



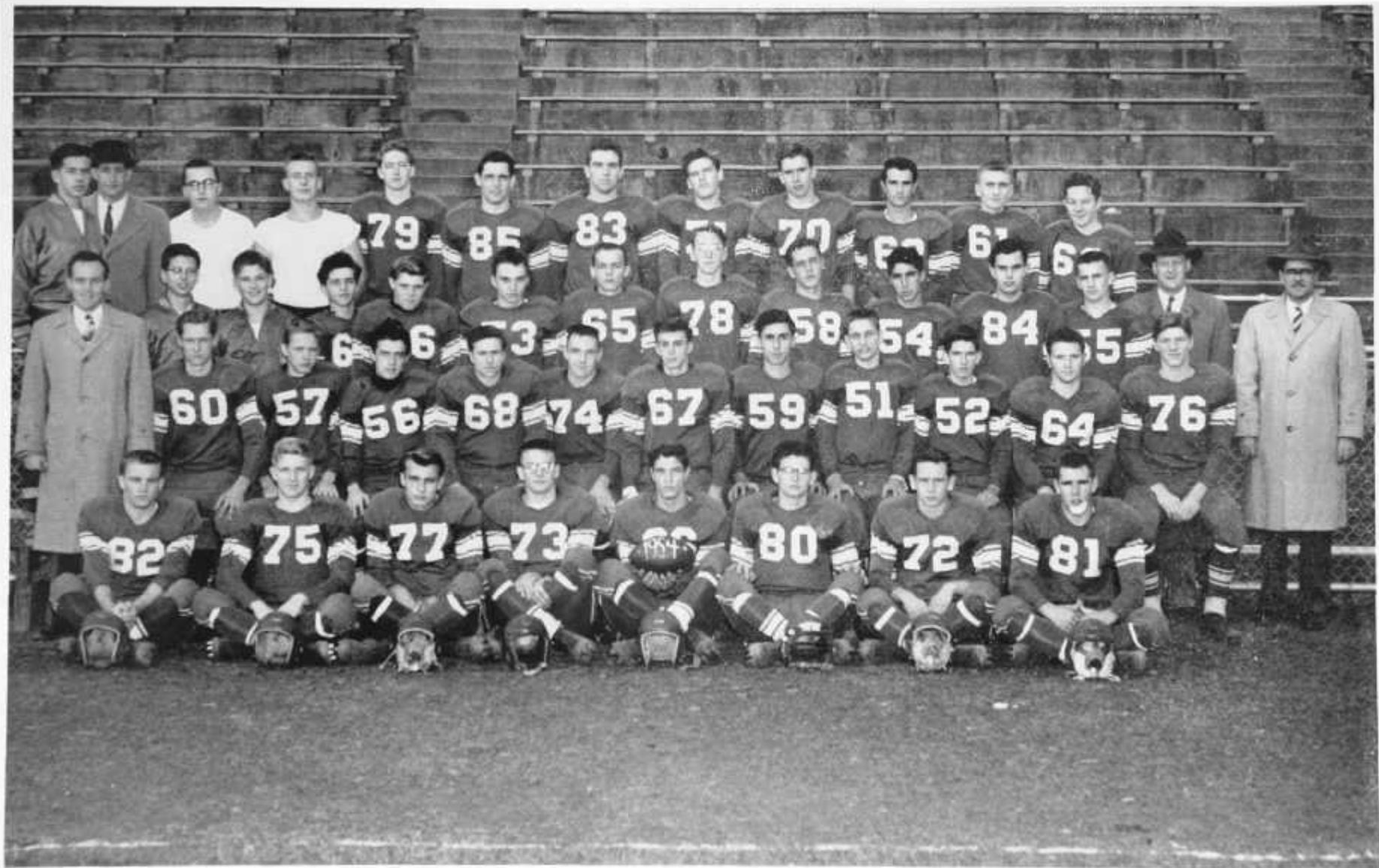
**GIRL'S LEADERS CLUB**  
Sponsor: Mrs. Helen Eterovich



**CROSS COUNTRY TEAM**  
Sponsor: Mr. E. J. Holden



**TRACK TEAM**  
Sponsor: Mr. E. J. Holden



**1954 VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM**

# Class History

**January, 1951,** brings the arrival of eighty-six freshmen, as compared to one hundred sixty-three seniors, with eyes fixed on room numbers and fully prepared to meekly ward off any attempts by upper classmen to sell infamous elevator passes.

**February, 1951.** John Vavroch gets off to a great start athletically by being high point man in his first Frosh basketball game against Lincoln.

**April, 1951.** A gala Pop Concert is presented at Rhodes; the roster includes such musicians as Larry Mack, Louise Argenziano, Irma Schweier, and Judy Foote. Vivian Kouba proves herself poised and able as she represents the 9B class in the Posture Contest sponsored by the Girls Leaders Club.

Amid all this activity of becoming acquainted with high school life, we participate in the first Civil Defense Security Drill to take place at Rhodes. This had the boys wondering if they were "gophers" as they haunted the dark basements of the buildings.

**May, 1951,** "Fleet Footed" Paul Sheridan and Bob Mackulin come in first and second respectively in the half-mile race to make a good first impression as cindermen, although Rhodes bowed to West and Lincoln in the tri-meet.

**September, 1951.** Coach Roberts sights John Vavroch, Dick Malm, and Tom McKenna as future varsity stars. How right he was! Along with these additions to the athletic department, Rhodes is fortunate enough to gain Mr. Moritz as assistant grid coach and gym instructor.

**October, 1951,** Much controversy arises as the new report cards make their debut. The entire school system adopts this method of letter grading accompanied by attitude marks. Rhodes football team is yet to face Marshall, West Tech, and Lincoln with three senate wins already under their belts.

**November, 1951.** Yes, this is the month of the BIG CHARITY GAME. Rhodes, west side champions, defeats Collinwood for the city crown in an action-packed game.

Tom McKenna appears in Rhodes Review's "Whos-it" as a freckle-faced, brown eyed Irishman.

The student body, though excited over the grid champs, was deeply saddened by the sudden death of Miss Barhyte on November 8th.

**December, 1951,** The musical revue, "For Old Times Sake" exhibited the talent of Rhodes students and proved to be a tremendous success.

**January, 1952—**No longer freshmen, our prestige is accompanied by the addition of John Klamar, Cathy Merkle, Mathew Maniacci, Ron Meihofner, Sandy Ripich, and Joan Rudo.

**February, 1952—**Sandy Ripich becomes a member of the Rhodes Review Staff, as Rhodes celebrates its 20th anniversary.

**April, 1952 —**Donning gym shoes and sports clothes, the faculty proves its skill to the student body on Faculty-Student Day in an effort to raise money for the Band Uniform Campaign. Stars included our own Miss Lanese, who performed in the "Cripple Triple Trio," and Jeanine Jaster who opposed members of the faculty in basketball.

**May, 1952—**Barbara Holter vies for 1952 Rhodes track queen, with Fred Brandstadt, manager.

**October, 1952—**Ralph Haak offers his services as manager of Rhodes football team, while Rocco Rivellino topples the maples for Rhodes kegler team.

**November, 1952—**Rhodes review features Bill Dickens, Rose Marie Miller, Dorothy Foerster, Jim Bird, and Peggy Perry for unusual names, while the choir prepared to order its new blue and silver robes.

**December, 1952—**Sounds of Christmas bells, and the joyful atmosphere of Christmas surround the activities of musicians Louise Argenziano and Larry Mack as they enter the instrumental contest, while plans for "The Waltz Dream" operetta are in their early stages. Critics say it will be a tremendous success.

**February, 1953—**Many of us found out for the first time that Ralph Haak had a twin sister, Ruth, when their pictures appeared in the "Review." The Rhodes cheerleaders, of which Sandy Ripich was an important cog, took second place in the Arena competition.

**March, 1953**—Jeanine Jaster captained the girl's championship volleyball team and whether or not S.R. was a member of the anthropod family was being hotly debated.

**May, 1953**—Peggy Perry attempted to bring the posture queen to our class. Lois Kickel's keen knowledge of sports won her third place in a Review sports quiz. Julius Shinko fought valiantly for a losing cause as the Rhodes badminton team bowed to West Tech. John Klamar and Fred Brandstadt campaigned for and won offices of president and vice-president of the student council.

**June, 1953**—Ward Daykin was one of the few successful members of the tennis team and 11B's winning track numerals were Huetter, Klamar, Mackulin, and Sheridan. June also was the month of our much remembered good time at Round-Up Lake.

**September, 1953**—We're 11A's now, upperclassmen, and we're allowed to organize. The personable and capable officers we chose were Bob Turchanik, president; Ralph Haak, vice-president; Irma Schweier, secretary; George Hascher, treasurer; and Cathy Merkle, social chairman. A couple of purchases were made—the new student council buying an ill-fated juke box and the school finally making the dust-bowl officially ours.

**October, 1953**—Our class held its first organized affair—a picnic. It was a great success, especially the supper-by-flashlight—almost as romantic as supper-by-candlelight.

**November, 1953**—We attend a National Honor Society induction for the second time and it was especially thrilling to see three of our members, Jeanine Jaster, Ed Ayres, and John Klamar inducted into the N.H.S. Jim Bird was interviewed by the "Rhodes Review" as a Hi-Y president. The Rhodes Rams climaxed their second thrill-packed championship season in three years by overwhelming Benedictine 40 to 14 in the Charity Game and became the undefeated city kings again. Our boys on the first team were John Vavroch and Bob Turchanik. Others winning football letters were Brandstadt, Klamar, and Sheridan.

**December, 1953**—This seemed to be the month for dances. First came our class informal with the theme of "Winter Wonderland." Room 105 was the ballroom and snow, snowmen, and snowflakes were the decorations. After the dance most of us piled over to Sandy Ripich's for an enjoyable open house. The Y-Teen Christmas formal, "The Holly Ball," also came this month and those who attended had a fine time.

**February, 1954**—Overnight we were transformed from lowly juniors to high and mighty seniors—12B's none the less. This time the girls took three of five offices as we elected Bob Turchanik to his second term as president; John Klamar, vice-president; Sandy Ripich, secretary; Cathy Merkle, treasurer; and Irma Schweier, social chairman.

**March, 1954**—Bob Turchanik was elected captain of the 1954 Rhodes Rams football team by a vote of the lettermen, and Ron Meinhofer won an "R" in basketball.

**April, 1954**—We attended our third National Honor Society induction and Cathy Merkle joined the ranks of the exalted. Room 105 again was the ballroom as we held our 12B informal with Glenn Miller and his music as the theme and "Moonlight Serenade" as the title. After the dance the walls of the Ripich home again creaked with the goings on of another open house.

**June, 1954**—We had fine weather for our picnic. There were all sorts of contests; baseball, football, and eating. As we left for the long summer vacation the inspirational revelation that the next semester would be our last hit us and also the practical revelation that the last semester was going to be an expensive one and we had better get to work and get ourselves some cash on hand.

**August, 1954**—For some of our class the semester started August 20, but most of us were just making money or loafing yet this month.

**September, 1954**—Well this is it—that last semester, that one that goes, oh so fast. We were warned about senioritis and we feel sure we're conquering that disease. Also this month we again put the reins of the class in the capable hands of Bob Turchanik, president; Fred Brandstadt, vice-president; Jeanine Jaster, secretary; Ed Ayres, treasurer; Cathy Merkle, social chairman; and Sandy Ripich, yearbook chairman.

**October, 1954**—Plans for our picnic were made and executed and fun was had by all. Our Rambling Rams are on the move again and we're hoping for another you know what game.

**November, 1954**—Our informal under the title of Masquerade was another success for our class, and plans are being made for our Prom.

**December, 1954**—The end is drawing closer now and tears were flowing at the Christmas Concert given by the Rhodes Music Departments.

**January, 1955**—A new year and for most of us a new way of life after that last thrilling day that's coming soon. Our high school years are ended.





# Class Prophecy

Unable to keep up with the Atomic pace set up by them in their senior year, the January class of '55 decided to return to the bygone days, untroubled by civilization. We see them now in 1970 nested snugly in their own private Sherwood Forest.

What's this? Why it's Preacher Sheridan seeking counsel with George Hascher. It seems that a little Bird, by the name of Jim has passed around the word that the Hascher is trying to throw another one of his infamous parties after the Sherwood Stamp, which is under the able direction of Steve Andrews and Dick DeMooy.

Now what? Our fleet-footed messengers, Jeanine Jaster, and Bob Mackulin come crashing through the underbrush announcing the theft of our spiked drinks, by the arch villains Edward G. Rochinson and Richard, swivel hips, Malm. As the empty beverage wagon driven by Tony Wilczynski comes in on all four wheels, McKenna, McKenna, McKenna, and McKenna, the merry men are thrown into disorder over the tremendous loss, hence our two great sleuths Harry Arnold and Dorothy Foerster are sent to track down the villains.

Fletcher Reynolds, zoologist of the forest, has developed an amazing strain of deer that stand still, as our famous food hunters Shirley Bouga and Ward Daykin shoot at them. The venison is then prepared by Anna Urbanskyj into one of her foreign intrigue dishes, with the help of her able assistant Carol Erdman.

Joanne Bakos and Judy Foote are busily at work sewing the mantels of green—green? for the merry men—merriest of all being smiling Bob Smith.

Now around the fire Rose Marie Miller is dancing to the strains of "their" song, "Rose Marie I Love You" as sung by our troubador, Bob "Woogie" Wohlgemuth.

Oh ho! More excitement. Larry Mack and Jerry Rusinko are unsuccessfully trying to tear apart Bob "Tucky" Turchanik and Dr. John Klamar; they still can't get over the fact that they both can't be President! Cathy Merkle is seen frantically running toward John with her first aid kit, to nurse his battered remains.

Bill Dickens and Fred Brandstadt are still dark horses in the race for Vice-President.

Off and away we detect Ron Rodamer and big Norm Skudderin trying to sell their own rolled cigarettes to Jackie Pall.

John Vavroch and Louise Argenziano are off in the forest practicing their duets! Ha!

June Kaufmann is frustrated these days; unable to find any walls to paint murals on, she has resorted to carving in trees. And from behind one such tree we watch Peggy Perry as she edges out Betty Jane Cook in one of their notorious drag races on their chopped and channeled stallions.

We see Pat Walker and Louise Kaufmann looking around the forest trying to find something old, something new, something borrowed, something blue.

Sorry to say Sandy Ripich is not with us because she chose to face the hard cold world at the side of a certain blond haired Swede.

Here come the master yoemen—yo-yo men that is—Dave Seelbach, Ron Kronenberger, and Richard Coakwell, led by their champion Will Scarlet Janos.

The new singing sensations, the Four Honey Drippers, Rocco Rivellino, John Hazey, Gary Schmotzer, and Ralph Haak have dedicated their latest song, "Oh You Beautiful Doll," to Tom, Sarge, Deiotte.

Jester Joan Rudo is devoting most of her time these days to trying to make Carl Wein laugh.

What's this, Walt, FuMan Choo, Syder is in the corner of the glen worshipping an oriental idol of himself.

Elaine Behm is busily fighting off Julius Shinko who just finished a course in Al Rose's School for Casanovas.

Ed is putting on, Ayres that is.

A small crowd has gathered to watch wrestling on the green. In the feature event we see "Bouncing" Barb Holter versus Nancy, Hot Head, Haas. An excellent match except for our referee, Little Ron Meinhofer, who is always trying to get into the holds. In Barb's corner we see Harvey Huetter going wild as his protege is floored by Hot Head.

Floyd Stevenson, unable to leave his GMC at home lugged it here on his muscular back so he could tinker with it.

Flash: Julius Shinko is still developing the negatives for the class yearbook!

Queen of the May, Vivian Kouba, upon her own request is attended by her faithful servant, Tom Shaddock. Eleanor Doucha is tripping around the table, setting out portions of food for the merry-men as they come from a relaxing day at work. Irma Schweier and Lois Kickel are still throwing their weight around—one hundred and one hundred thirty respectively.

After the meal, the whole band of Merry-men gathers around the flickering fire raising high their voices in tribute to "Dear Old Rhodes High."



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SHAKE IT



THE MOVIE STAR



GAB FEST



WINTER WONDERLAND



THREE-SIX-NINE SING



BANG!!!

JITTER BUG

SPECIAL

THAT'S OUR HOME ROOM



AWW COACH



CHARGE



OH YEAH

THE THINKER



ALL F'S??



SLEEPY HEAD



THE ORATORS



WAIT A MINUTE



SUCKER GOOD?



ANY NOTIONS



FROGMAN OH NO



# Class Will

## ATOM I

### FACULTY

We the Senior Class of this Atomic Age being composed of sound atoms in mind and body do hereby bequeath the following miracle atoms as possible cures for the troubles we leave behind us.

To Mr. Van Nortwick we leave an automatic "Penny-Picking-Up-Machine" for future use in Girls' Glee Club.

To Miss Jenney we bequeath a giant sized wastebasket to accommodate the many sticks of gum collected during geometry class.

To Mr. Moran we leave two efficient secretaries for each class to replace those girls with the ink stained fingers who did so much of "nothing."

To Miss Davis we leave a ticket on a speedy train to the warm sunshine of Florida.

To Mr. Tanko we donate a long playing record of his semi-annual speech to all new 12A's "Immunity to Senioritis."

To Mr. Henderson we leave a new group of "Misses" and hope that he doesn't.

To Miss Ord we bequeath a book entitled, "How to Keep Honor Study Halls . . . Honorable."

We leave to Mr. Sifritt a new movie projector along with notions and instructions on how to operate it.

To Miss Thieme we donate a membership in "The German Literary Book Club" hoping that she will acquire some "new" books.

To Mr. Hartzell we bequeath "The New World Dictionary" with two million words for his future vocabulary classes.

To Miss Lanese we will a pair of stilts to be used when dancing with Bob Turchanik.

We leave to Mr. Gaiser an engraved plaque with those now famous words "We Missed You Yesterday."

## ATOM II

### UNDERCLASSMEN

To future track teams we leave the rolling hills of the underground track.

To future citizen's club members we leave a generous supply of ice cubes, charcoal, water, and freshly cut hay to be used in strange activities on forth-coming picnics.

To 9B's we leave a stepladder which will enable them to reach the top shelf of their lockers.

We leave to future driving students anything on the car that's still in one piece.

The lucky, lucky, 12B's are the recipients of foam-rubber cushions to be used during the Ohio State Psychological Test.

Jeanine Jaster leaves her speed to all girls.

## ATOM III

### MISCELLANEOUS

John K. leaves . . . and so does Cathy.

With cold weather now approaching, we leave to those girls who bought Bermuda shorts, one pair of warm "leggings."

To Louise Argenziano we leave a pint-sized cello which won't be a menace on a crowded bus.

To Ron Rodamer we leave "pleasant" memories of the Senior Class Picnic.

John Klamar is the recipient of a sign bearing the letters T-A-X-I to designate his secret ambition.

Lastly, we leave all the happy memories of our high school years.





*Masquerade*

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