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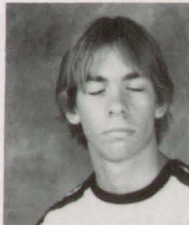
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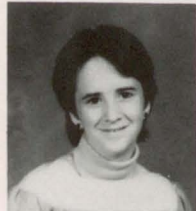
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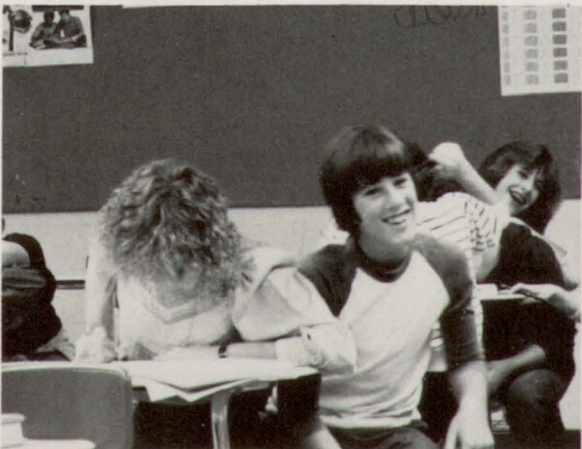
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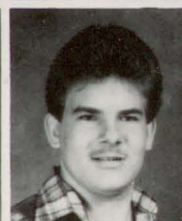
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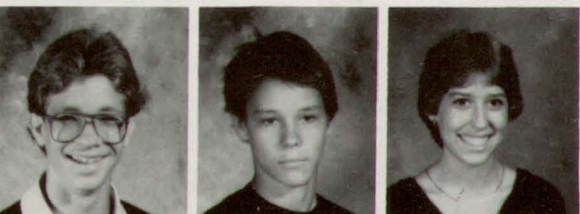
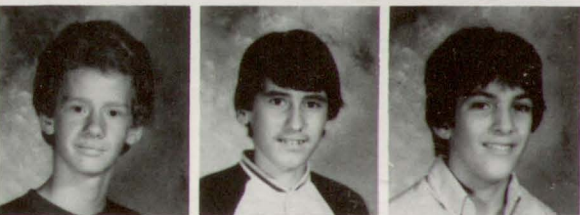
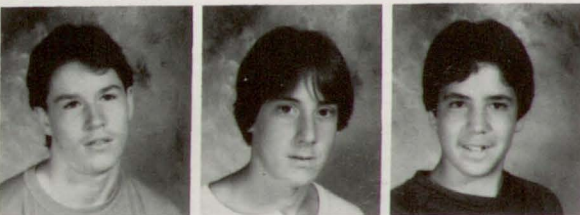
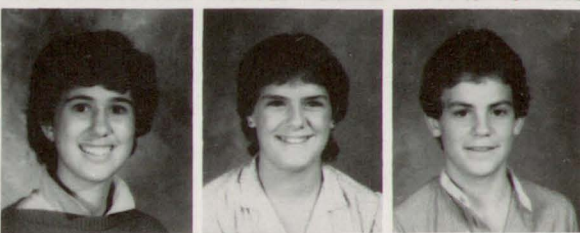
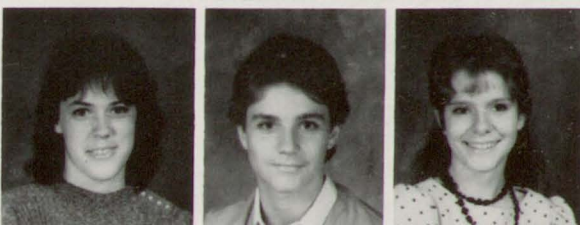
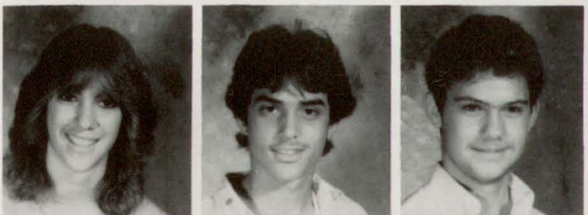
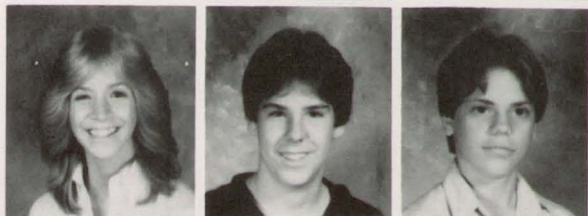


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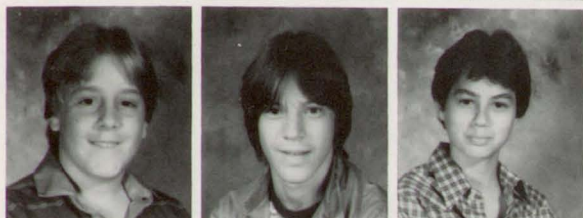
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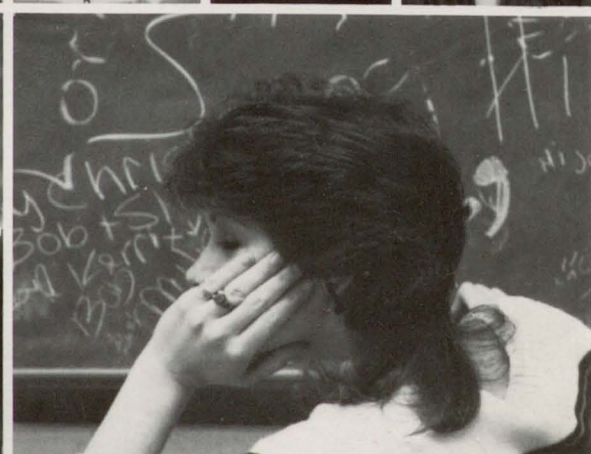
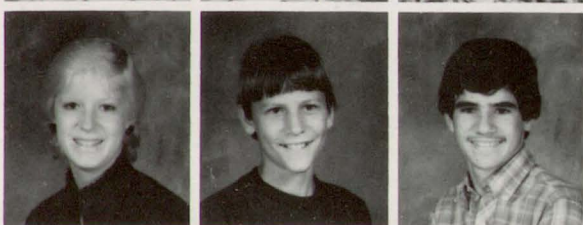
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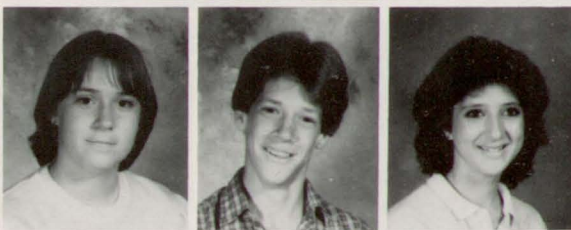




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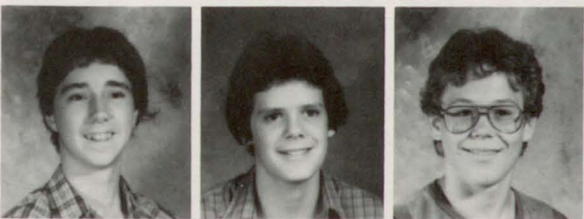
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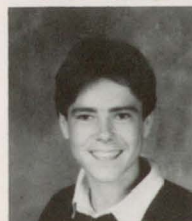
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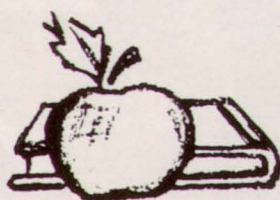
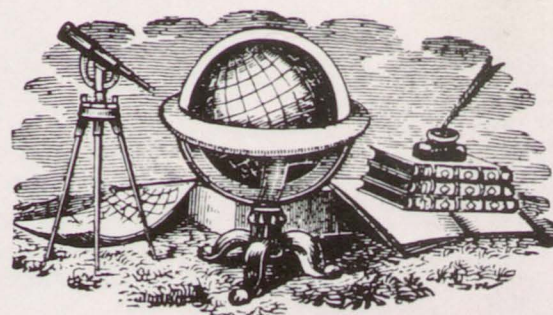
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Cotter, L.
Mathews, R.
Passarrelli, C.



Freshmen



Who, Me?



This beats class anytime



Togetherness



Are you sure this will work?



A foreign exchange student?



I thought this was Burger King?



Watch the birdie.



Henry J. Cooper
Former Superintendent



School Committee: James Kilbane, Shirley Delay, William Thomas, Roger Hall.

The graduating class of 1984 represents the fiftieth class to graduate from the community of Coventry's formal educational program.

It is indeed my pleasure on this occasion, to not only offer my congratulations and best wishes to the Class of 1984 but also to the community of Coventry and all its citizens, both past and present, who have so willingly accepted the responsibility and given of themselves to maintain the educational opportunities for the youth of this community which has afforded this graduating class and the proceeding forty-nine groups of students to receive a high school diploma.

The future of our community, State, Nation, and the world if you please; and the fulfillment of our own personal wants and needs ultimately rest in the ability of each graduating class to take its respective place in society - to accept its full responsibility.

To accomplish this end, we must have a strong and flourishing educational program. On the occasion of the publication of the Special 50th Jubilee Anniversary edition, thank you for your contribution, regardless of how large or how small.

Sincerely,
Raymond E. Spear
Superintendent



FACULTY

To the Class of '84:

May I offer each of you the congratulations of the entire staff, faculty and administration on the occasion of your graduation from Coventry High School.

As you complete your 4 year educational career at CHS we hope that you have not only enjoyed the relationships you have made but that you have taken full advantage of an excellent extensive modern curriculum, an extraordinary array of extracurricular activities and interscholastic athletic choices, an unparalleled facility and an exceptionally well qualified faculty.

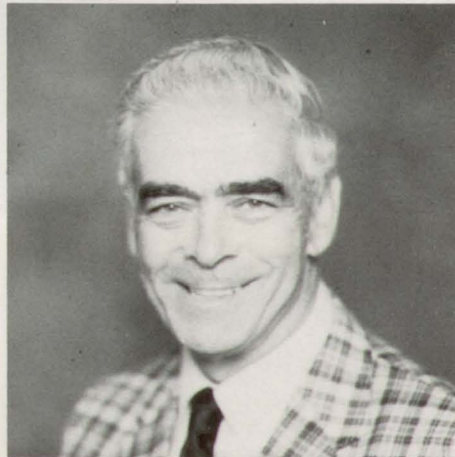
You are fortunate to have been offered such a fine educational program. A fact which is testimony to the town's commitment to the future of its youth.

As you enter a new life adventure you take with you our hopes, prayers and fondest best wishes for a successful future.

Sincerely
James A. DiPrete
Principal



Allen Moores



Louis Marshall



Richard Magarian

50 Years Of Quality Community Service

Annese, Pamela. Foreign
Language. French Club.
Arnold, Janice. Social Studies,
PTSA.
Bailey, William. Industrial Arts.
Baldasaro, Sharron. Special
Services.



Balentine, Jane. English.
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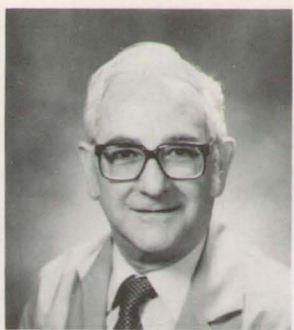
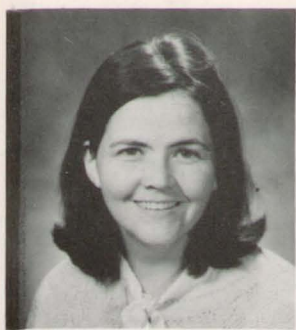


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Ciesla, Thaddeus. Science.

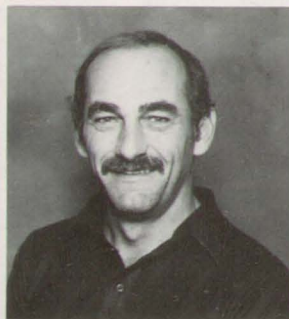


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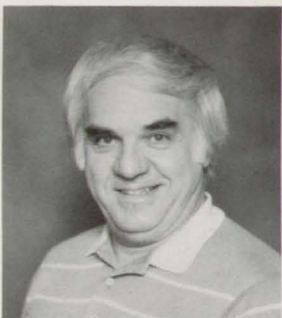
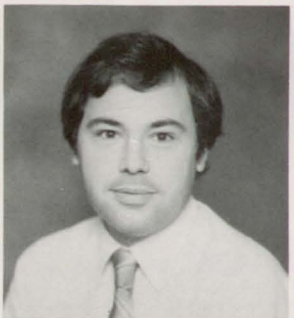
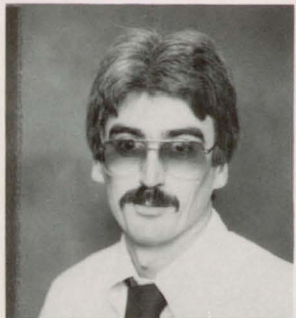




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Crino, Robert. Industrial Arts.
Cuppels, Lawrence. Science.
Cyr, Nancy. Social Studies.
Junior Class Advisor. Academic Decathlon.



DeBlois, Lucille. Foreign Language.
DelBonis, Gail. English Dept. Head. Student Program Committee, NASC. Academic Decathlon.
DelPozzo, Stephen. Natural Resources.
deWardener, Maxwell. Business.

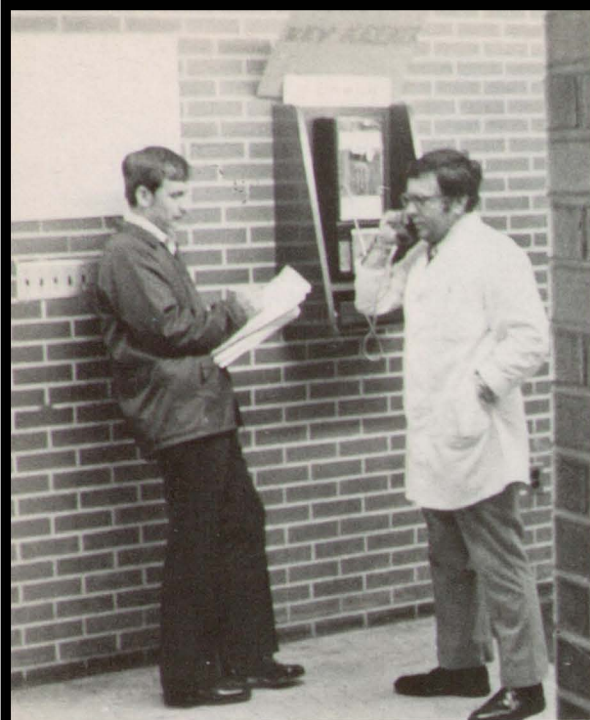


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DiMicco, Ernest. Science. Student Council. Sterring Committee, NASC.
Doiron, Henry. Music. Jazz Singers, Pom Pon Girls. Marching Band. Combo.
Dunkelman, Annette. Art. Art Committee, NASC.



Dyer, Joyce. Business.
Egan, George. Guidance.
Fierro, Daniel. Airforce Junior ROTC.
Fournier, Joseph. Social Studies.





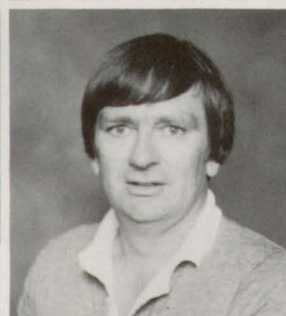
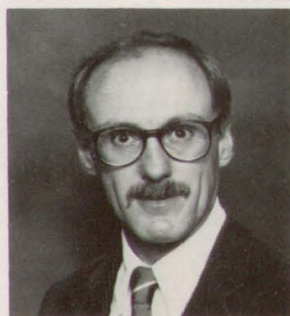
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Girard, Shirley. English.
Glawson, Nancy. English.
Housing Committee, NASO.
Cheerleaders. Sophomore
Class Advisor.
Grady, Kenneth. English.
WCYV.



Gray, Mary. English.
Greenleaf, Anne. Foreign
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Guy, Genevieve. School Nurse.
Haid, Robert. English.

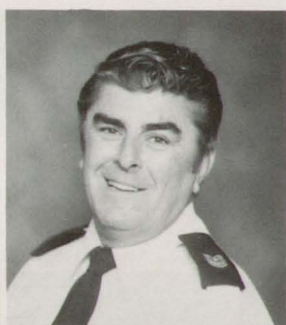


Hall, Gene. Math.
Hargraves, Lucy. English. Study
Skills.
Hopkins, Mark. Phys. Ed. Asst.
Athletic Director. Asst. Football
Coach. Varsity Lettermens
Club.
Hopper, Douglas. Phys. Ed.
Athletic Director.

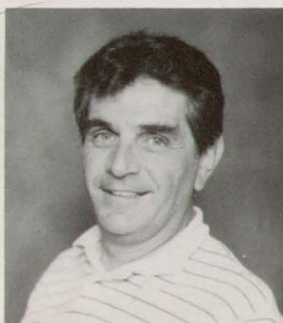


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Inman, Evelyn. English.
Jordan, Joan. Librarian.
Keger, Joan. English.

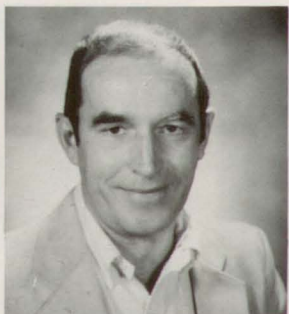




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Klingensmith, Claudia. Special Services.
Kreyssig, Robert. Airforce Junior ROTC.
Laferriere, Paul. Social Studies Dept Head. Yearbook Business Advisor.



LaPointe, Dorcas. Typing.
LeBlanc, Donald. Math.
Lepore, Claire. Home Economics.
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Lindquist, Ruth. Guidance
Long, Edward. Social Studies.
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Macomber, John. Business. Boy's Tennis Coach. DECA.

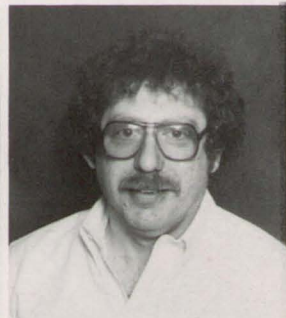


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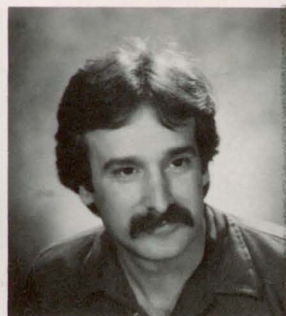
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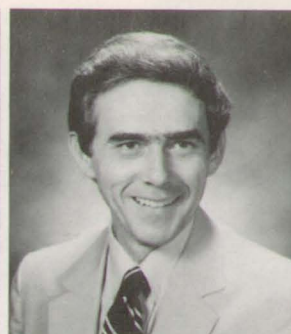
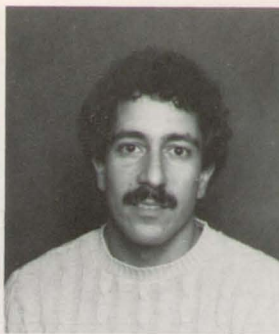


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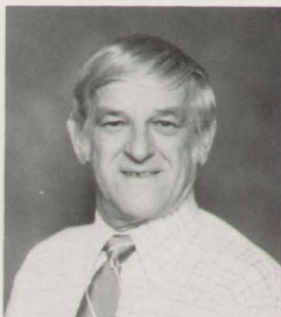


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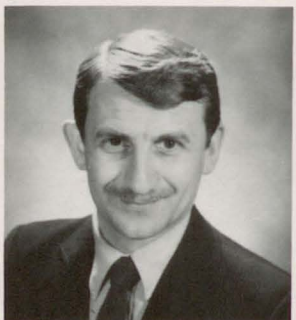




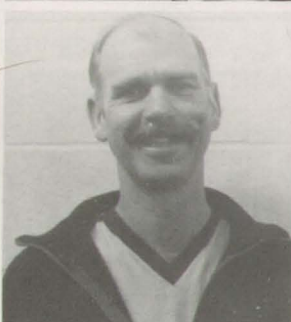
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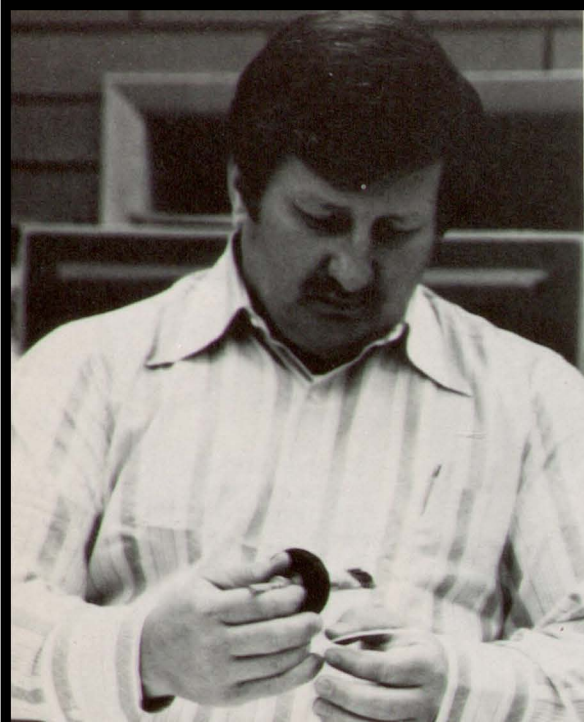


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Walker, Ann. Business.
Winslow, Don. Industrial Arts.



Abraham, Joseph. Science.
Andrew, Kenneth. Special
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Berger, William. Math.
Binegar, Dale. Phys. Ed.





*Cotter, Donald. Math.
Harrigan, Charles. Science.
McGregor, Diane. Guidance.
Mello, Lawrence. Art.*



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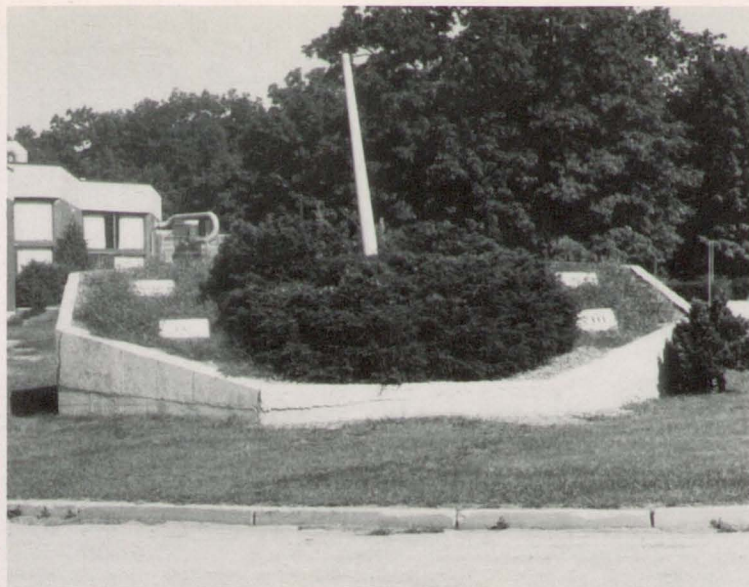


*Martin, Isabel. Secretary.
Mitchell, Muriel. Secretary.
Rinaldi, Amy. Secretary.
Smith, Connie. Secretary.*



*Southworth, Betty.
Special Education Aide.
Ward, Jean. Secretary.*





Lounge Aids



Cafeteria Staff

50 Years Of Progress

During the 50 year history of Coventry High School our students have attended three different buildings and have witnessed many changes in our town and society. The first High School was the current Knotty Oak School on Knotty Oak Road. The building opened in 1934 under the direction of principal Harold F. King. The new school boasted a student population of 274 and a teaching staff of 13. An athletic field was added in 1946. As the school's population increased, an annex was added to the southeast side of the building in 1947. This annex included a sound-proofed band room, a mechanical drawing room, showers, and lockers. During the 40's and early 50's the curriculum changed to meet the needs of the students in a rapidly changing world. The Student Council was founded in 1935. It has played the major role in developing school spirit and student involvement. They have sponsored many clubs and activities in the past and are preparing to host the National Student Council Convention in June.

As time passed, the nature of Coventry changed. More people moved into the town and school population increased. In 1949 the Engelhardt survey informed the town that a new, larger facility was needed. It was several years before the recommendation became a reality.

Finally, in 1956 the second High School opened under the direction of principal Reuel Sheldon. The new school is the present Junior High School located off Knotty Oak Road. The property for the building was donated by the Foster family. The new school was a marvel to behold. In addition to spacious classrooms, it contained a large gymnasium and a beautiful, comfortable auditorium.

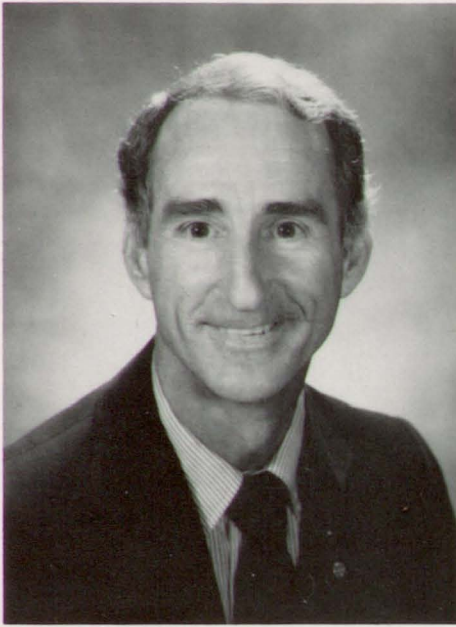
During the late 50's and early 60's Coventry changed

from a rural community into a suburban town. Population increased rapidly. Additional space was needed to house the students. Thus, the annex was added to the school. The annex included one of the largest and attractive libraries in the State. However, the annex was not sufficient. A new school was needed. As population continued to increase, Coventry High School was forced into double sessions in the 70's.

In 1976 double sessions came to an end when the present High School was opened under the direction of principal James DiPrete - our current principal. However, the new High School was different. It was a Senior High School, housing only grades 10, 11, and 12. New programs were added and the students of Coventry High School could boast that they went to one of the finest campus facilities in the State!

During the late 70's population figures in Coventry began to decline. In 1979, *CHS*, once again, became a four year High School with the return of the 9th grade. Times have not always been good for *CHS*. We have had our share of problems. We hope that the troubles of the 70's will never be repeated and *CHS* will continue to prosper.

As we reflect on the past 50 years of *CHS*, we have a right to be proud. Today, the High School is one of the finest in the State and in all of New England. We have grown from a small rural school to a fully comprehensive high school with a vocational facility at West Bay and a student population in excess of 1600 and a staff of more than 100 teachers. Coventry High School has been selected as an effective school, that is a school that works and produces a good product - an educated student - and a model for other schools to copy. We are proud of our past and feel that our future is bright.



John Ball, Director West Bay.

THE WEST BAY STORY

In September, 1968 the Coventry Vocational-Technical Facility opened its doors to over 400 students in the areas of Data Processing, Chemical Technology, Drafting, Electronics, Machine Technology, Horticulture, and Small Engines. Students from Coventry, North Kingstown, East Greenwich, Exeter, and West Greenwich attended the facility. They received their academics at CHS and vocational training at our building, a short walk away.

During the 70's many changes occurred. Old programs were dropped - new programs added. The opening of a new Coventry High School in 1976 had the greatest impact. Vocational students continued to receive their training at our facility, however, they had to be bused four miles to receive their academics at the new high school. Enrollment from neighboring communities declined.

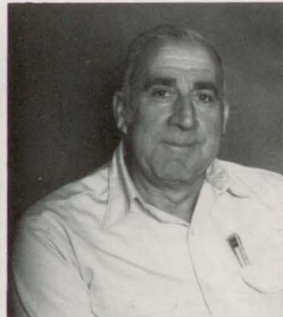
With the coming of a new superintendent committed to Vocational Education, West Bay moved in a new direction. The Area Coordinator was given Principal Status and training programs were changed from three-

year to two-year programs. This allowed the school to change to the Skill Center Concept. Students would continue receiving vocational training at our center, however, they would return to their own schools for academics. This was done to encourage neighboring towns to send their students here, while allowing them to retain their own school identity. Finally, our name was changed to the West Bay Vocational School.

Satellite training was established in the 80's. Under this program three buildings were used at Davisville for Food Services, Auto Body Repair, and Welding. This program ended in 1982, when a new program, Time About, was instituted. Under this program Vocational Students spend three weeks at West Bay developing skills and return to their high school for three weeks of academics.

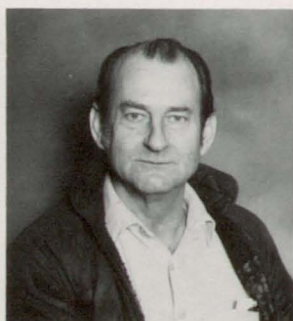
In conclusion, West Bay is a vocational-training facility serving High School students and adults. Our basic philosophy is "learning by doing" and "JOBS." West Bay will continue to improve its offerings and services to meet the needs of the students and the community.

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VICA.
Butzbach, Theodore. Food
Service.
Calise, Vito. Carpentry. VICA.
Cannavo, Anthony. Machine
Technology. VICA.



Colardo, Robert. Auto Body
Repair.
Cribari, Robert. Food Service.
DePasquale, Joseph. Electronics.
DeSisto, John. Cabinetmaking.





*Jedson, Lillian. Health
Occupation.
Long, Frank. Welding.
Propatier, Stephen.
Automotive Technology, VICA.
Riley, Andrew. Printing
Technology.*



*Robertson, Joan, Guidance,
Senior Class advisor, National
Honor Society Advisor.
Rotella, William. Automotive
Technology.
Senerchia, Shirley. Secretary.
Zybrowski, Joseph.
Environmental Resources. Girl's
Tennis Team, FEA advisor.*





Sports have been an integral part of the history of the Coventry High School from the very beginning. Sports began for the boys with baseball and for the girls with basketball in the 1930's.

Winning, sportsmanship, competitiveness and team effort are traditions that go back to the founding of our school and its athletic program. The CHS girls basketball team of 1940 rolled over its opposition to post an undefeated record of 11 wins, 0 losses and 1 tie. Yes, believe it or not a tie! Overtime for girls' basketball did not exist in 1940!

The sports program expanded in the 1940's with the addition of football in 1949. During the 50's additional sports were added to include track, cross country and golf for the boys. Girls were limited to the GAA - The Girl's Athletic Association.

For more than three decades the CHS sports program revolved around one man, *C. Arthur*



1940 Championship

SPORTS

Flori, who was the Director of Athletics and the coach of almost every sport. In fact, everyone referred to him simply as "coach." Mr. Flori's contributions were recognized when the present High School gymnasium was dedicated to him in 1976. At the dedication Art said, "this is the greatest day of my life!"

Another name associated with sports for more than three decades is Ted Ciesla. Mr. Ciesla served as coach or assistant coach in many sports during the 50's. He is still coaching his favorite sport, baseball.

Many former students have returned to coach CHS's teams. They include the current Director of Athletics, Mr. Hopper, the boy's basketball coach, Mr. Szymkowicz, and the girl's basketball coach, Mr. Mason.

Sports took on a new look in the 1970's when Title IX gave the girls equal status. Finally the lady Oakers could compete with the boys. New sports, to include track, cross country, tennis, basketball, and volleyball, were added to the program. In the few years that the girls have competed they have brought honors and awards to our school. The achievements of the Krolewski's in running is well known. Katy Carley's 1000 plus career points in basketball is another milestone to be remembered.

Coventry should be proud of its long tradition of sports and can look forward to many awards and championships in the future. This year our teams won State and Division championships in wrestling, hockey, and girl's basketball. The hockey team posted an undefeated season for, the first time in its history. The tradition goes on.



Team





Row 1: L. Black, S. Spinler, J. Panerello, N. Krolewski, M. Krolewski, J. Reo. Row 2: H. Sinay, M. Gaimano, K. Templeton, R. Murray, R. Kosiver, C. Paige, C. Cabral, J. Reynolds, Coach C. Krolewski, C. Villanova. Not in photo: A. Bennett, K. Carley, T. Thibodeau.



1973

Cross Country Enters Second Decade Oaker Girl's Have Banner Season

The Lady Oakers continued their winning ways this year. Coming off a successful season last year, did not dull the competitive drive of the young Oakerettes.

This year, under the leadership and guidance of Coach Smith, The Lady Oakers compiled an impressive dual meet record of 8 wins and only 1 loss.

This season was also another year of awards and honors. In State Competition the girls finished third. Individual honors went to Nancy Krolewski, who made second team All



State in the 3000 meter category and All Division in 1500 meters. Mary Jo Krole made All Division in 3000 meters. Katy Carley was All Division in the high-jump and javelin categories. Joy Reo made All Division in the 1500 meters. Nancy and Mary Jo Krolewski qualified for the New England Championship Meet where they turned in fine performances. Over all, the Lady Oakers displayed excellent sportmanship and team effort. Congratulations on a fine season!





Row 1: B. Thompson, D. Cronin, C. Bates, T. Santos, B. Hicox, C. Beal, M. Kusiak. Row 2: Coach Binegar, T. Noel, B. George, T. Blarchette, A. Leroux, J. Foster, S. Kusziak, J. Spearman.



1966

Boys Track In Second Decade A Season Of Accomplishment

The Oakers rebounded after a slow start to end their season with a record of 14 and 5. Under the leadership of Coach Beaudry, the young team responded well. Many underclassmen were called to play leading roles to fill gaps in the program



due to losses by graduation. As the season progressed, the team jelled and ran off a streak of 7 consecutive victories. With most of the squad returning next years, Boy's Track appears to have a bright future at the school.





Row 1: K. Joidan, N. Pagliarini, S. Wiatrowski, B. Ross, M. Carlini, P. Butler. Row 2: Coach Ciesla, T. Silva, J. Plumber, B. Rainone, R. Giampetro, M. Houlohan, J. Szymkowicz, K. Turenne, Scorer B. Ward.



1935

From The Beginning Five Decades Of Baseball

Much to the delight of Coach Ciesla, the Oaker Nine clinched its first playoff birth in more than twenty years. However, these hopes were short lived and ended when the team lost a hard fought game in the first round to Tolman High School by the score of 2 - 1.

Leading the Oakers this year were Tom Silva and Bob Ross who batted .454 and .406 respectively. On the mound Kevin Turenne was awe-



some and led all hurlers with a record of 5 - 2, while compiling a brilliant 1.7 ERA.

Players lost through graduation were Steve Wiatrowski, first team All Division; Bob Ross, second team, All Division. Returning lettermen include hard-hitting infielder Tom Silva, hustling catcher Rick Giampietro, outfielders Jim Szymkowicz and Bill Rainone; and hard-throwing pitchers Kevin Turenne and Joe Plumber.





ROW 1: M. Gough, D. Bashaw, J. Osbrey, D. Maclaughlin, S. Bettez, K. King, K. Amaral, L. Medeiros. ROW 2: S. Gough, L. Egan, L. Byrnes, C. Schmidtt, K. Carley, D. Robertson, D. O'Brien, H. Bird, Coach Soscia.



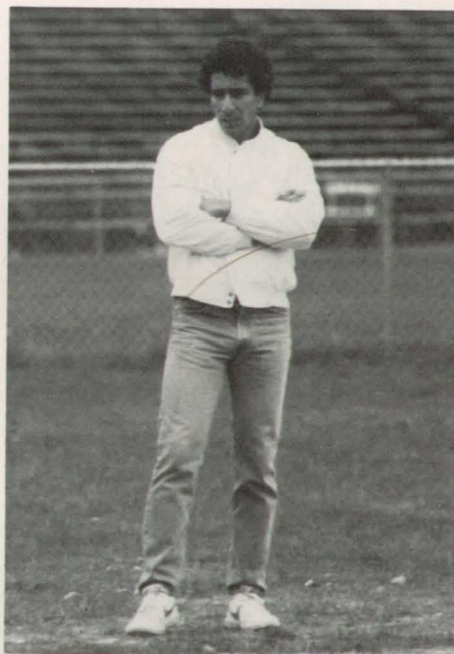
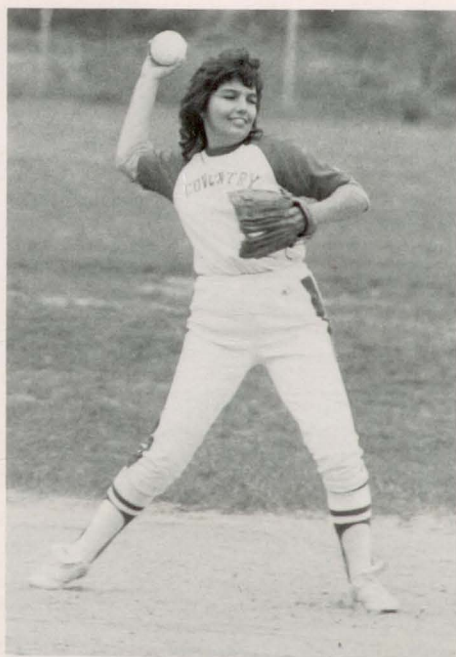
1973

The Second Decade - A New Beginning Lady Oakers Post Even Season

The girl's softball team enjoyed a fine season while compiling a record of 6 wins and 6 losses. Playing in their last game under Coach Soscia were Stacey Bettez, Jonna Osbrey, Kris King, Kerry Amaral, and Dawn MacLachlan. Returning players for 1984 include pitching ace Lisa Medeiros, an outfielder with a rifle arm, Heather Bird and team slugger Diane Robertson, who hit a great percentage of home runs and extra base hits. One of the best all around players was Donna O'Brien, a Freshman, who was the starting catcher and a very good hitter as well. Other players returning will be Katy Car-

OUT
IN
LEFT
FIELD!

ley, Melissa Gough, and Denise Bashaw all of whom Coach Soscia feels will play a major role on the 1984 team. Chariho turned out to be the biggest rival throughout the season. In the first encounter, Chariho walked away with a small margin of victory. The Lady Oakers came back in the second meeting, winning a hard-fought contest by the score of 6 - 4. Even though the girls did not make the playoffs, they acted as champions both on and off the field and displayed those qualities associated with good sportsmanship.



Four Decades of Par or Below Oakers Finish Third

1951

The golf team could not repeat its performance of the previous season due to losses by graduation. The 1983 was a rebuilding year for the team and its coach, Mr. Sprague. Kevin Alberigo was the only returning varsity player. However, the young team was able to compile a record of 3 wins, 4 losses, and three ties, which earned the Oakers a third place finish in their division. Kevin Alberigo led the team at the number one position, while Mike Staley, Paul DiPadua, and Mike Moniz rounded out the team. Other players included Kris Anderson and Rich Ceceri. 1984 promises to be a very competitive season.



Row 1: D. MacMillan, R. Ceceri, M. Moniz, P. DiPadua, K. Alberigo, M. Staley, C. Anderson, Coach S. Sprague.



Three Decades Of Competition

1954



1984 was a rebuilding year for Boy's Cross Country. Throughout the season the *Oaker's* faced tough competition, losing two early matches. After their second loss, the runners poured on the power and remained undefeated for the rest of the season. The *Oaker's* did well in tournament competition - finishing 12th in the O.L.P. Invitational and 10th in the Coaches Invitational. Top runners for the year included Gary MacDonald, Tom Blanchette, Jim Spearman and Tom Noel. Todd Blaimiers and Tom Swanson appear to be stars of the future.

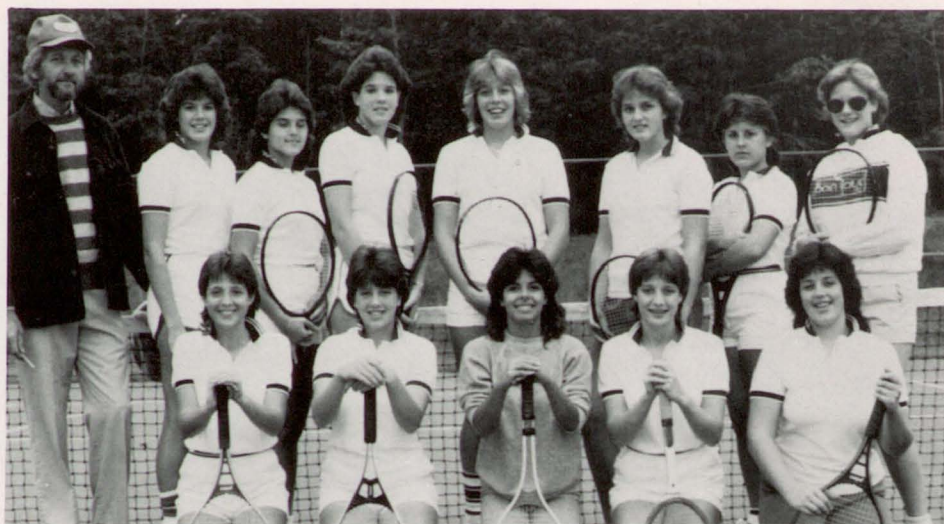
Row 1: T. St.Jean, G. McDonald, T. Swanson, G. Thibodeau, M. Skorski, Coach D. Binegar. Row 2: T. Blaimiers, T. Noel, T. Blanchette, J. Spearman.



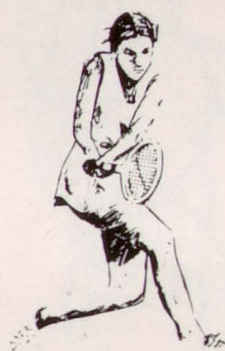
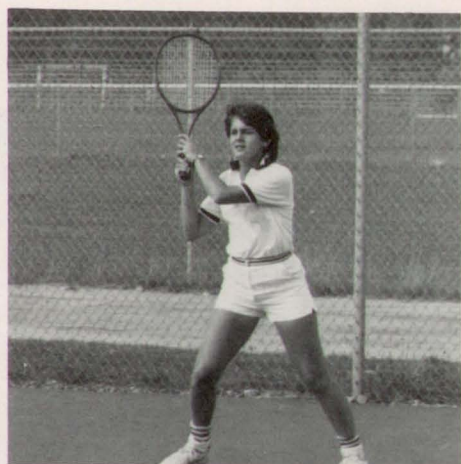
1980

In Our First Decade State Semi-Finals

The Coventry Girl's Tennis Team completed another successful season with a 7-3 record. This record qualified the girls for the postseason playoffs. The girls made it to the semifinals of the state class B Tournament before losing a tough 4-3 match to the eventual class B Champion, North Smithfield. Katy Carley and Cathy Perras both earned spots on the all division singles team. The doubles team of Diane O'Brien and Sherry Cansier earned first team all-division honors, while the team of Lori Byrnes and Donna O'Brien made second team all division. Congratulations on another fine season.



Row 1: J. McConnell, C. Reed, C. Garcia, A. Bennett, C. Gavek Row 2: Coach Zabrowski, D. O'Brien, A. Bettez, K. Carley, D. O'Brien, C. Perras, M. Lebreque, S. Cansier.



First Decade One of Success



Row 1: D. Ross, J. Mockler, T. Leddy, G. Gessner, Coach Maycomber.

1980

The 1983 season could be considered a rebuilding year for coach Macomber. After compiling a remarkable 30 consecutive match winning streak over 2½ seasons, the 1983 team finally lost a match! Westerly High defeated the young Oaks 5-2, thus breaking our fabulous winning streak. Team Captain Jeff Moniz led the team with a 10 + 2 record at the #1 singles position. Mike Leighton will be the 1984 team captain. 1984 should be an excellent year for tennis. Returning will be Robb Smith, Joe Senerchia, Chris Dyson, Rob Howe, Tom Leddy, and Dave Smith.





Row 1: S. LaFramboise, B. Rainone, J. Passerelli, V. Flovenzano, M. Benjamin, D. Padula, M. Baxter, R. Kershaw, J. Plummer. Row 2: B. Anderson, R. Ceceri, K. Allen, S. Lyons, J. Whitaker, T. Silva, D. Haynes, G. LaCombe. Row 3: Coach O'Donnell, A. Fry, D. Allen, R. Babcock, T. Guya, T. Amaral, Al Charpentier, T. O'Connell, Coach Gamba. Row 4: Coach Berard, K. Busby, B. Koch, A. Silva, B. Perrault, S. Maraquioglio, L. Walker, Coach Hopkins.



1949

Four Decades On The Grid Iron

The Football season opened on a note of optimism. The team had a new head coach, Dave O'Donnell. Everyone, knew this would be a rebuilding year. However, victories could be expected. The Oaker II worked hard to get in shape for a tough season! Spirit was high. Returning Varsity players, along with new players knew they would be heavily tested on the Grid Iron.

The season proved to be along one, however, as the Oakers posted a losing season. Defense remained the team's strongest point, although the offense's potential surfaced on many occasions.



The highlight of the season was the Homecoming game against North Kingston. The stubborn Oakers defense kept our team in the game. Our offense gave us the lead. In the final minutes of the game, North Kingston mounted a drive! It appeared the Oakers would go down to defeat. Then our defense came alive and met the challenge. The North Kingston drive was stopped and they were forced to try for a field goal from the far left of the field. Silence prevailed as the snap from center was made. The field goal was wide and CHS had a Homecoming Victory.





Row 1: S. Murray, S. Kusiak, C. Dyson, R. Smith, B. Derocher, D. "Gumby" Lavighe, P. Smith. Row 2: Coach Samson, J. Szyrkowicz, S. Rainone, K. Dyer, P. Mattias, D. Best, T. Holt, J. Mockler, T. Stuart, Coach Short.



1979

In Our First Decade Europe Comes To America

Although the 1983 Soccer Team lost several Seniors through graduation, the team looked forward to the season with much optimism. The Oakers won several exhibition matches during the pre-season. The team, however, knew that the regular season competition would be tougher! During the first half of the season, the Oakers compiled a record of 1 win, 3 losses, and 3 ties. Two of the losses were close - we lost to Cranston East by a score of 2 - 1 and another to Chariho by the score of 1 - 0. The second half of the season was much better for the *Red and White* - winning two games and tying two. The Oakers just missed

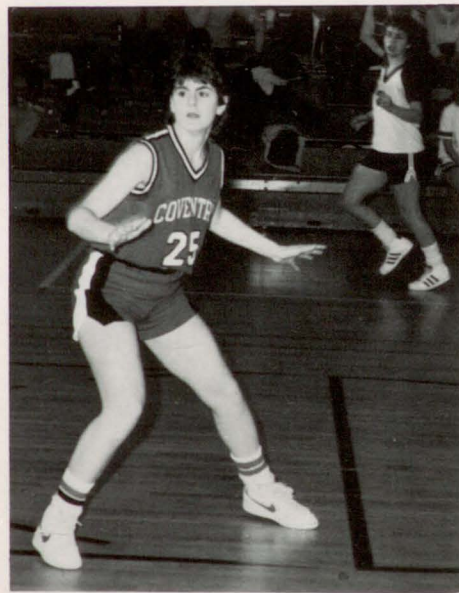


making the play-offs when they failed to beat Cranston West, who was one game ahead of the Oakers in the win column. Several Oakermen played major roles. Co-Captains Dan Best and Robb Smith each received second team All-Division honors; while Bob Derocher received honorable mention. John Mockler played two roles - one as a fine defense man and filling in for injured goalie, Steve Rainone. Looking to the future, Coaches Short and Samson expect fine play out of returning players such as Dave Smith, Dan Leveigne, Tim Holt, Scott Kusiak, Tim Stewart, and Paul Mattias.





Row 1: M. Perras, K. Carley, D. O'Brien, L. Byrnes. Row 2: Coach Mason, C. Perras, K. Fandetti, C. Rothfuss, J. Belanger, D. O'Brien, M. Wragg, Asst. Coach Morin.



1935

50 Years Of Progress A Year Of Records

The 1983-1984 edition of Lady Oaker Basketball was the most successful in the high school's 50 year history. The record book was re-written as the Lady Oakers established records that may never be broken.

Finishing their regular season with an incredible 24-1 record, and 18-1 in league play, they won their Division by a whopping seven games and are favored to make their way to playoffs at the Providence Civic Center. The Lady Oakers put together a string of 19 straight victories. They won 15 straight league games, starting with a 61-34 victory over South Kingston on December



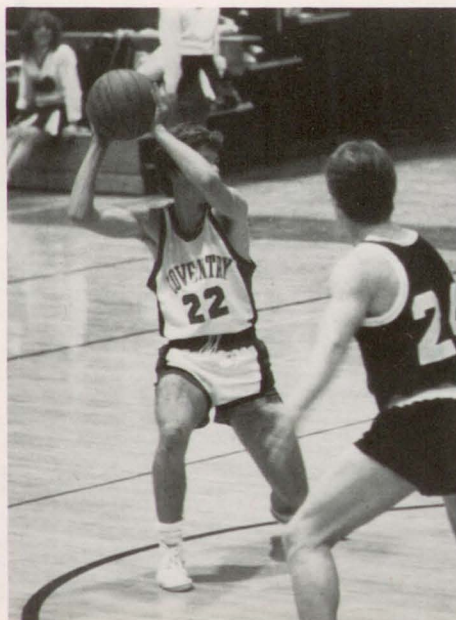
22 to their final league win over Cranston East on February 20. The 1984-1985 teams, with much talent returning, should extend this streak. On December 12, the Oakers established three records, most points in a half, 52; most points in a game, 81; and most points by an individual, 33 by Katy Carley over arch-rival West Warwick. Another individual record was set on January 27, when center Diane O'Brien snarled 23 rebounds.

The team won the 1st place trophy in the coaches Christmas Tournament by defeating St. Raphael in overtime 52-50.





Row 1: J. Ruzzo, Manager; C. Bagshaw; B. Rainone; Co-Capts., J. Szymkowicz, D. Padula, K. MacNamara. Row 2: Asst. Coach D. Wilkinson, B. Adams, J. Mockler, C. Champlin, J. Capaldi, T. Silva, Coach T. Szymkowicz. Row 3: J. Tousignant, K. St. Jean, R. Freeman, D. MacMillan, T. Ward, T. Holt.



1938

Five Decades For The Hoopsters

After 2 consecutive years of 17 wins and 10 losses the Boys Basketball Team went through a rebuilding year. At the present the Team's record is 4 wins and 9 losses. One game off the pace for the last play-off spot. Although the Team does not have a winning record, it has played and practiced hard and they have showed outstanding sportsmanship. Besides losing 9 Seniors from last years team, they also were hit with some key injuries. Much credit has too be given to the 4 Seniors on the club who have

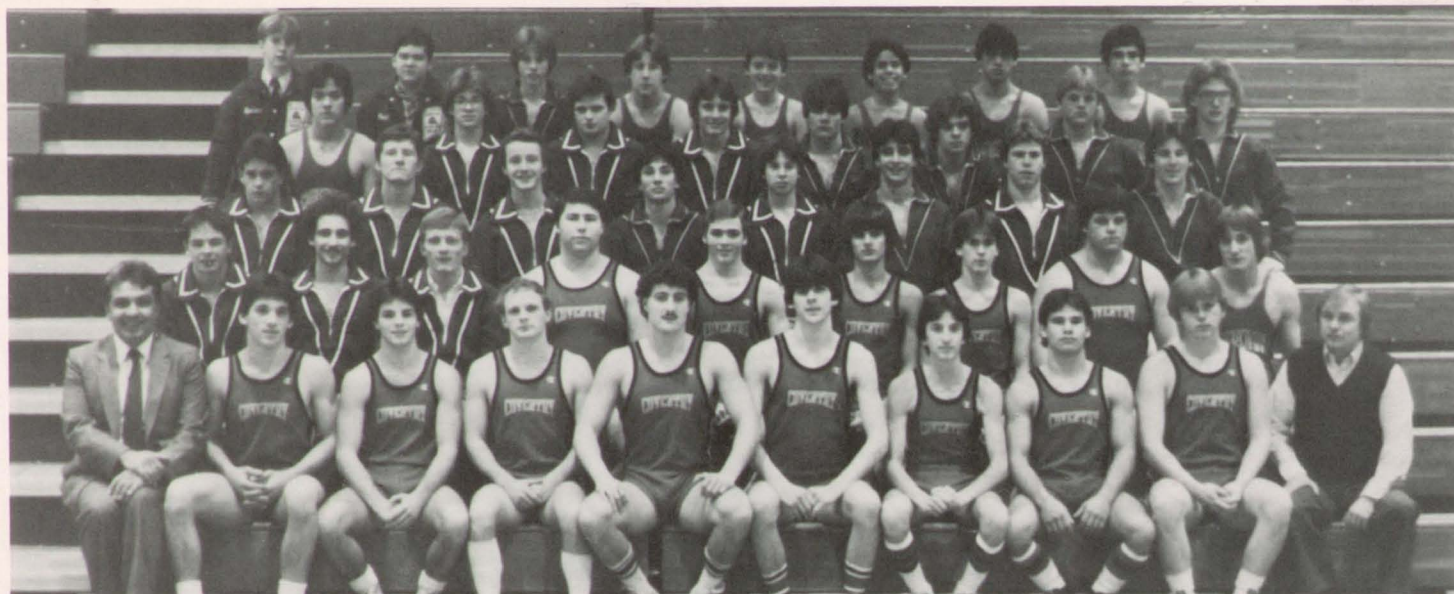
showed the way for the underclassmen. Co Capt's Jim Szymkowicz, and Dave Padula. Bill Rainone, and

Kevin McNamara.

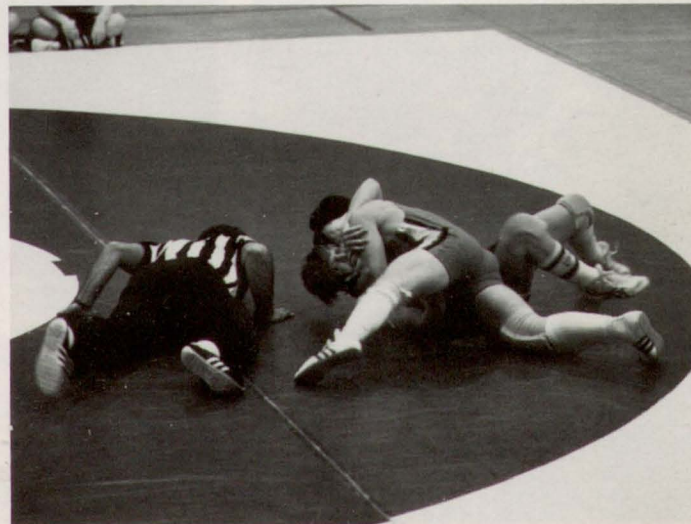
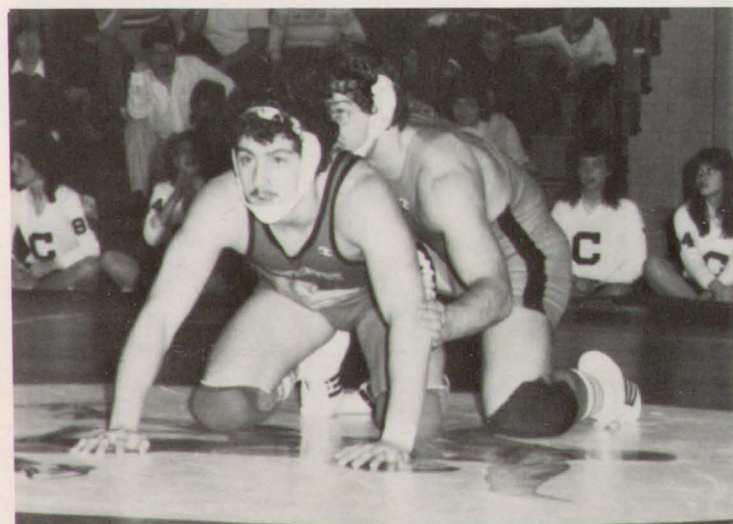
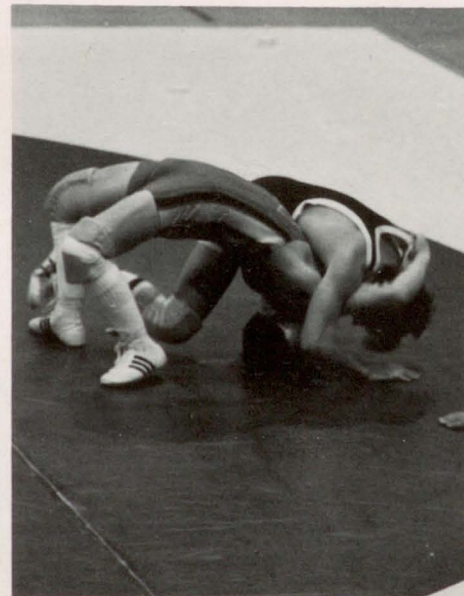


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Coventry	67	East Green.	58
Coventry	52	Johnst.	80
Coventry	67	Cran. West	68
Coventry	82	South King.	78
Coventry	57	North King.	62
Coventry	60	West	66
Coventry	42	West Wark.	90
Coventry	75	Chariho	71





LEFT TO RIGHT: Row 1: Coach Magerian, J. Passerelli, B. Derocher, R. Smith, V. Florenzano, G. Gil, R. Baich, D. Cayouette, L. Karvonen, Coach Smith. Row 2: N. Nye, B. Pizzi, M. O'Connell, B. Delfino, D. Smith, M. Marscello, T. Leddy, B. Thomas, J. Reynolds. Row 3: T. Dolan, T. O'Connell, G. Gessner, M. Raposa, J. Paquette, S. Kusiak, J. Whitaker, L. Hall. Row 4: J. Palmer, D. Matzack, K. Carlson, J. Gormley, D. Stroka, B. Thornley, R. Wilmouth, S. Matzack. Row 5: T. Parish, Mgr., C. Burnem, Mgr., G. Thibodeau, B. Gaffney, R. Wilmouth, E. Senna, T. DiStefano, S. Griffen.



1959

Three Decades Of Progress Three Time State Champs

The tradition goes on!

Wrestling is *CHS* most successful and powerful sport. Oaker wrestlers, dubbed the "Red and White Express," by the press rolled to their 3rd consecutive State Championship and for the 4th consecutive year oaker wrestlers have won the Division Championship, remaining undefeated in league dual meets since December 15, 1980!

Under the direction of Coaches Magarian and Smith, *CHS* has built a dynasty of winners. The opposition has learned to fear the name Coventry High School. New wrestlers continue to replace graduates and perform in championship style.

The team was led by many outstanding wrestlers. Senior Robb Smith, at 126 lbs, won both the R.I. Championship and New England's. Senior Joe Passarelli was the Runner-up state Champion at 155 lbs

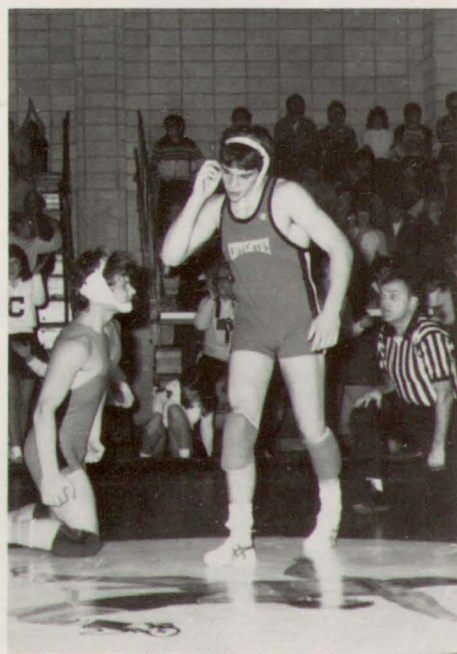
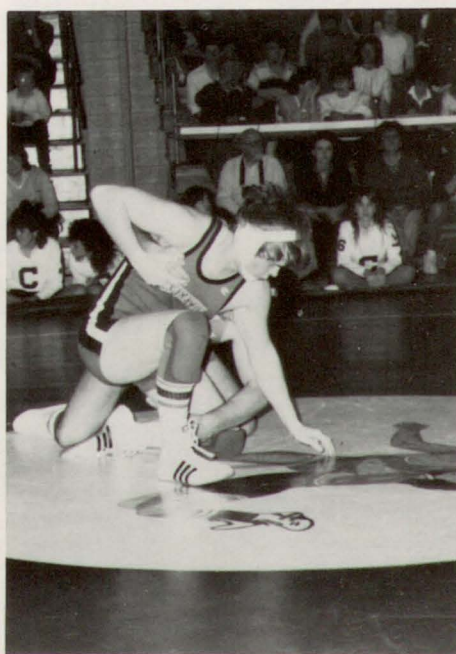
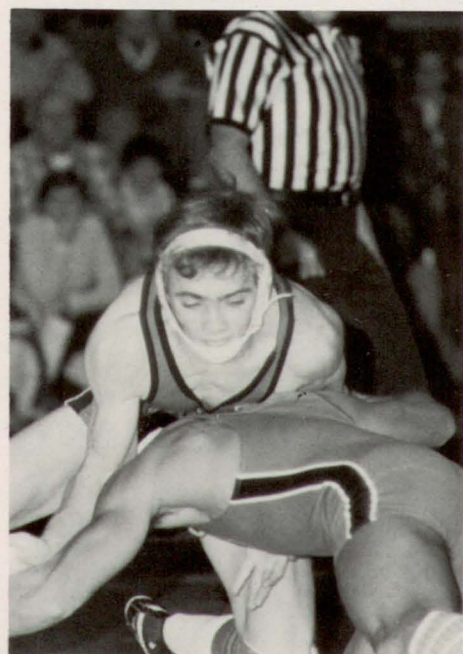
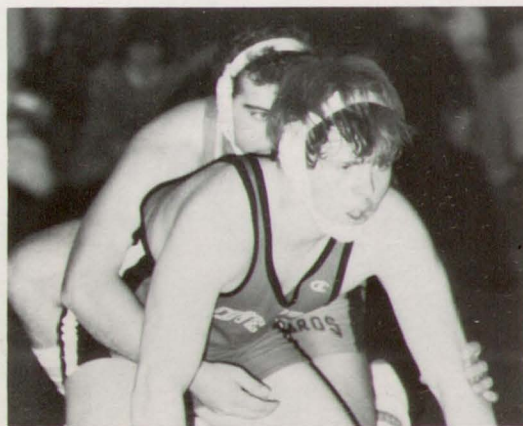
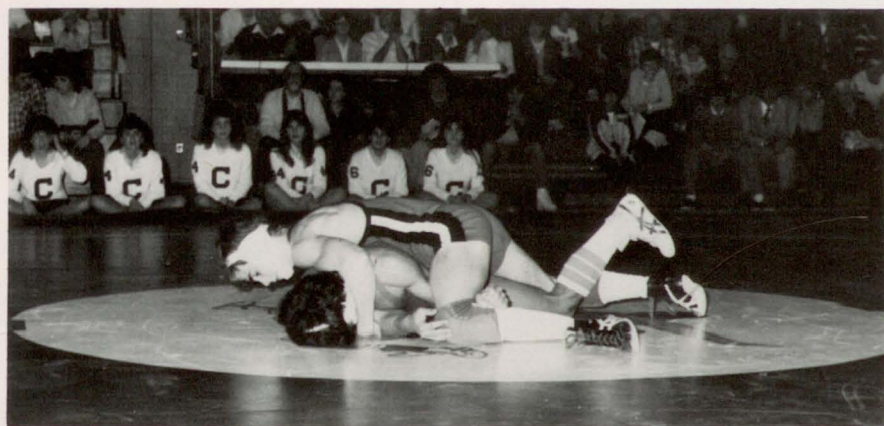
weight class.

Junior Mark Masiello won the R.I. Championship at 112 lbs. Senior Bob Derocher was 3rd at 132 lbs. Junior Dave Smith was 3rd at 119 lbs in R.I. and New England and Sophomore Rich Baich placed 3rd at 98 lbs. in the State Tournament.

Seniors Dave Cayouette, Vin Florenzano, Guy Gil, Lee Karbonen, Norman Ney, Mike O'Connell, Bob Pizzi, Tim Dolan and Joe Reynolds all made valuable contributions in making the team *Champions* the past 4 years. All wrestlers made sacrifices and exemplified the dedication and spirit that Coventry Wrestlers past, present and future exhibit said Coach Magarian.

Congratulations to all the wrestlers and their coaches in this our Jubilee year — the tradition goes on!

ON THE MAT





Row 1: D. Pare, F. MacLachlan, J. Dionne, K. Card, R. Giampietro, M. Biros, C. Crowther, L. LaFleur, R. McMullen, K. Anderson. Row 2: J. Plummer, Manager, K. Dyer, M. Sullivan, J. Swanson, P. DiPadua, G. Vedder, R. Baron, K. Dyer, M. Pare, S. Vadnais, B. Daigneault, M. Crowther, C. Swanson, Head Coach, R. Peltier, Asst. Coach.

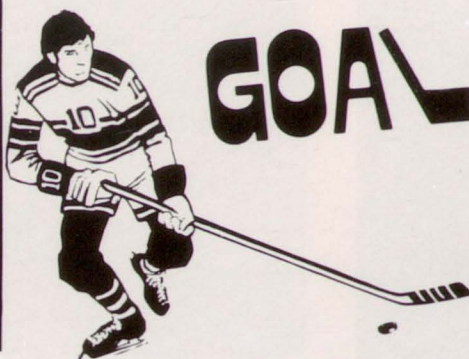


1965

Two Decades of Progress An Undefeated Season

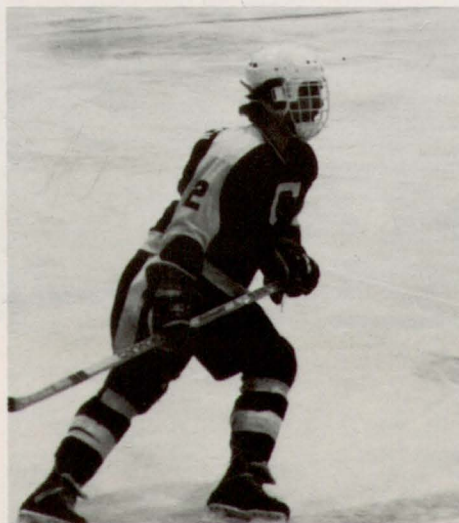
The Hockey team played brilliantly under its new head coach, Mr. Short. The Oaker skaters had a dream year rolling over all opposition in clinching the suburban division title with a perfect record of 18 wins, no losses, or ties. The Oaker 6 was the first team in the state to clinch a division title.

The skaters combined the most



powerful offense, scoring of 140 goals, while limiting the opposition to less than 20 goals.

The defense was the best in the state. Oaker goalies led the state in total points. The team had three players with 45 or more points. They are C. Crowther 62 points, Dionne 50 points, Vadnais with 45 points.





Co-Captains: F. Tellier, P. Turbitt

SOCCER CHEERLEADERS

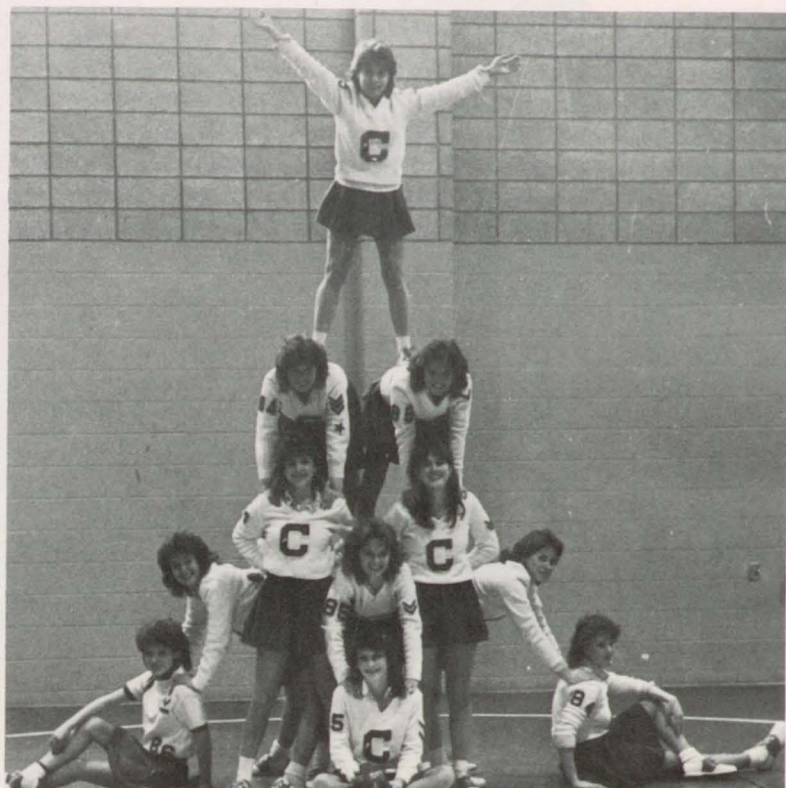


Co-Captains: C. Gaudette, S. Denmen

WRESTLING CHEERLEADERS



FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS



Co-Captains: S. Denmem, C. Gaudette

HOCKEY CHEERLEADERS



Co-Captains: F. Tellier, K. Bartels

BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS



Co-Captains: T. Mendes, M. Mattias

J.V. WRESTLING CHEERLEADERS



Captain: C. Sullivan



Co-Captains: J. Hagg-C. Page

J.V. BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS



Sports Roundup

For 50 years Coventry High School has been producing fine athletes and championship teams. This winter *Oaker* teams have rolled over their opponents and won Division Championships in Girl's Basketball, Wrestling, and Hockey. Two of these teams will compete for State Championships and are favored to win. The third team, hockey, is an odds on favorite to clinch its first post-season championship.

It is only fitting that our teams performed well, in this our Golden Jubilee Year. Like the teams of the past, they have brought glory and honor to our school and have made the name *Oaker*, respected and feared in our State!

Out of respect, we must mention several teams of the past. They have earned the right to be in our Golden Jubilee Edition Book because of their performances on the baseball diamond, basketball court, and the football field.

First, there was the *Impossible Dream* baseball team of 1957. As former Coventry High student and team member Sonny Sernerchia, recalls - Coventry High School was not even picked to finish in the first division, never mind win a championship. The southern division favorites were West Warwick and Westerly.

To the surprise of everyone in the Valley, the *Oaker 9*, with players such as Harold Fell, Kenny Wilkenson, and Paul Wragg, won their games and was trailing the *Wizards* of West Warwick by only one game as the last game of the season approached. West Warwick lost their game and Coventry won their's. This forced a tie and a final game to decide the championship! This championship game was dramatic! The *Wizards* scored two runs in the first inning and five more in the second. They led by a score of 7-0. The umpire asked Coach Ciesla to forfeit the game. However, the coach said "No Way, we will play nine innings." *Oaker* bats came alive and our team tied the score at the end of nine innings. In the 10th, and final inning, the *Oakers* scored and won the game by the score of 8-7. This was the only championship team in our school's history.

Football has been a part of *CHS* sports for many years. We have had our good and bad years. Two football stories must be recalled. The

year was 1975. Coventry had lost 28 consecutive games. The mighty *Wizards* of West Warwick went down to defeat by the score of 24-8. This victory is considered to be the biggest upset in the history of Coventry football and one of the greatest up-sets in the history of the state! Coventry's football team also holds another distinct record. The records prove that our *Oaker 11*, under the direction of coach Bob Peltier, produced the best defensive records in the 1960's. During the period from 1966 through 1970 our team yielded a scant 7.87 points per game over a span of 54 games. Bob's teams compiled a remarkable record of 34 wins, 14 losses, 6 ties, tied for the Class C Championship in 1967 and tied for Class B West Championship in 1968. The *Oakers* posted a 22-0-2 streak in regulation games during that period.

Finally, we come to basketball. Before the State was divided in the present divisions, the State Championship was decided by an All-State Tournament held at the University of Rhode Island. As Chet Kuippers, a former graduate and team member recalls, this was perhaps the finest team that *CHS*, ever had. The 1961 Boy's Basketball team was the only one to qualify for the State playoffs. Under the direction of coach Doug Hopper, currently the Director of Athletics, the team consisting of Donald Addy, Arnold Lundwall, Mike Copice, James Laurent, Denny Provencher, Pete DiCarlo, Ray Grace, Jimmy Conn, Chet Kuippers, and Bill Mason (current Girl's basketball coach), defeated Tolman 47-41 in the qualifying round. In a blinding snow storm, *Oakers* flocked to the URI gym to support their team. It was a night of disappointment. In a close game the *Oaker 5* lost a heartbreaker. However, this was the only *CHS* team to reach the semi-finals of a State Championship.

There are more stories that we could publish, however, space does not allow. Our teams, past and present have brought glory to our school. When the Diamond Jubilee is published in 2009 the teams of the future will add to the *CHS* tradition.

1984 Sports



"Out of my face!"



"I think I'm lost!"



"Up against the boards!"



"Leader of the pack!"



"Give up, you're surrounded!"



"Look, I can fly!"



"Where did the ball go?"



"Wake up, ref!"

Round-Up 1984



"Put it here!"



"Hey, ref!"



"I can't stop!"



"fast break!"



"I wany my mommy!"



"Pyramid Power!"



"Free food!"

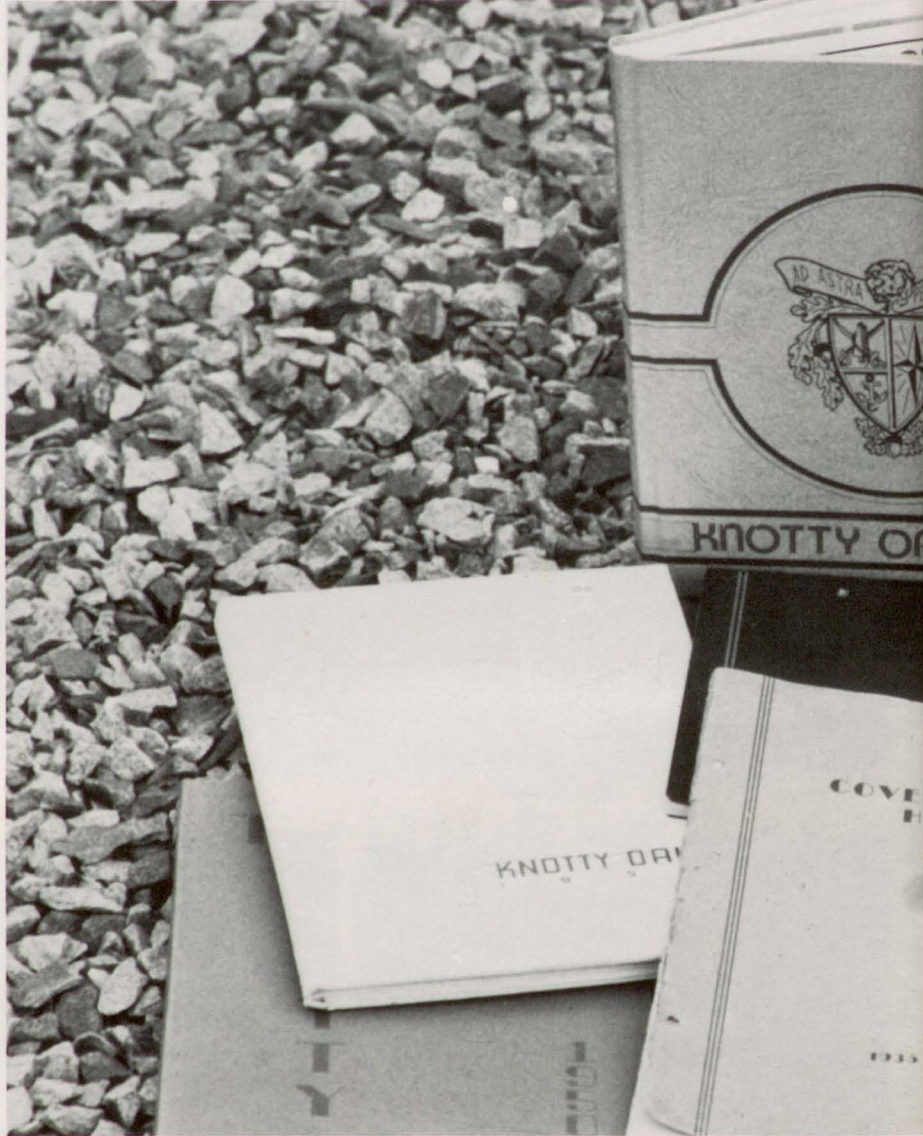


Hey, that's my penny!"



Co-Editors: PAULA HUDSON - LINDA MARSHALL

Publishing a yearbook is a difficult task in itself. Publishing a 50th Golden Jubilee Edition is an awesome task, trying to combine the present with the past. We feel that we have done this and hope that you understand and appreciate the thousands of hours it took to make your book. We have recaptured the past in art, pictures and words; while still emphasizing the present. It is impossible to include everything in a yearbook. We have done our best to include as much of the CHS community as possible.



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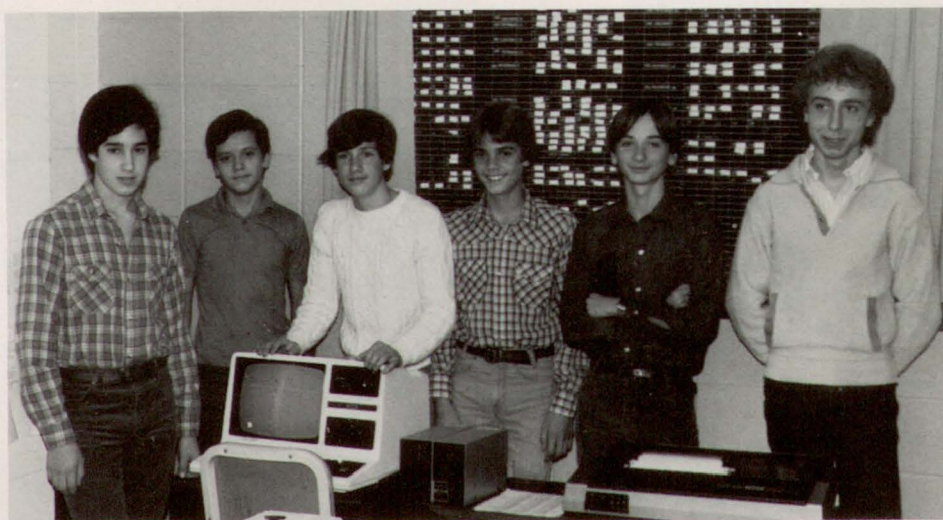
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T. Holt
J. Brennan
R. Johnson
K. Kicia
L. Lawrence
M. Muzzy





ROW 1: K. Charest; MR. X; R. Dyer; D. Best; P. Biros. ROW 2: W. Phaneuf; M. Normandie; C. Bradford; M. Ricci; M. DesGranges; J. Greenstein.

Teen Age Advisors



K. Carley; M. Perras; T. Menders; R. Murray; R. Kosiver.

Model Legislature

Chess Club

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Student Council



Varsity Letterman's

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L. Byrnes; ROW 2: D. Ross; L.
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nett; M. Perras; B. Derocher; M.
Baxter; ROW 3: R. Phaneuf; A.
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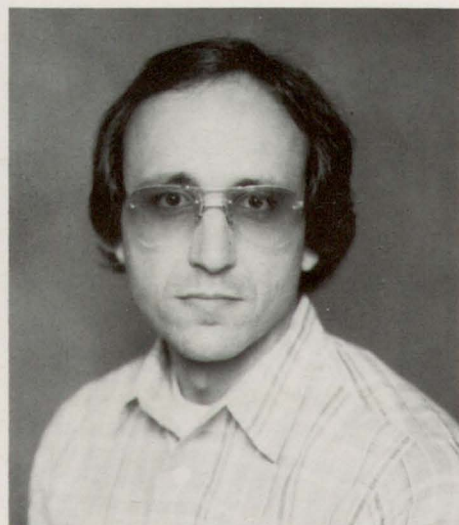


Pres., T. Menders; V. Pres., J. Babak; Corr. Sec., M. ST. Pierre; Rec.
Sec., T. Boyd; Tres., E. Hale.





ROW 1: C. Cyr, R. Andrade. ROW 2: J. Sundstrom, W. Donnelly, C. Maynard, L. D'Aleno, R. Pizzi, M. Jourdenais. ROW 3: G. Lombardi, M. Steward, N. Brunette, M. Caimano, L. Volpino, R. Jourdenais, S. Herman, M. Cournoyer, C. Gauthier.



ADVISOR: Mr. Ken Grady

The WCVY Story

WCVY is Coventry High School's radio station - and the only radio station in Coventry. WCVY began eight years ago as WCHS, broadcasting from a storage room to an audience of students in the cafeteria. In October, 1978, WCVY signed on the air as the only FM radio station at any high school in RHODE ISLAND!

The radio station serves several purposes. As a school activity, WCVY provides educational opportunities for CHS students. The student staff fills all positions of a real radio station and each staff member is required to obtain an FCC license. Individual responsibility is an important requirement of a staff member. The station is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and the students must be familiar with the FCC Rules and Regulations in order to comply with the license.

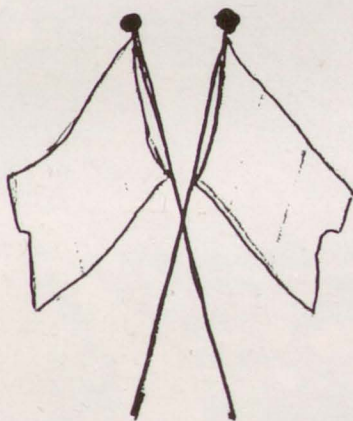
For students interested in a broadcasting career or a college program in communications, WCVY provides valuable training and experience. Several CHS graduates have obtained jobs at radio stations based on their experience at WCVY, and many former WCVY members are enrolled in communications courses in colleges and universities throughout the United States. Most of the expenses of operating the station are provided by the students through various fund-raisers.

In April, 1981, WCVY increased its broadcasting power to 200 watts, covering the towns of Coventry, West Warwick, and East Greenwich. In April of 1982, the station began broadcasting in stereo. Congratulations to the staff, past and present, for making WCVY what it is today!

French Club



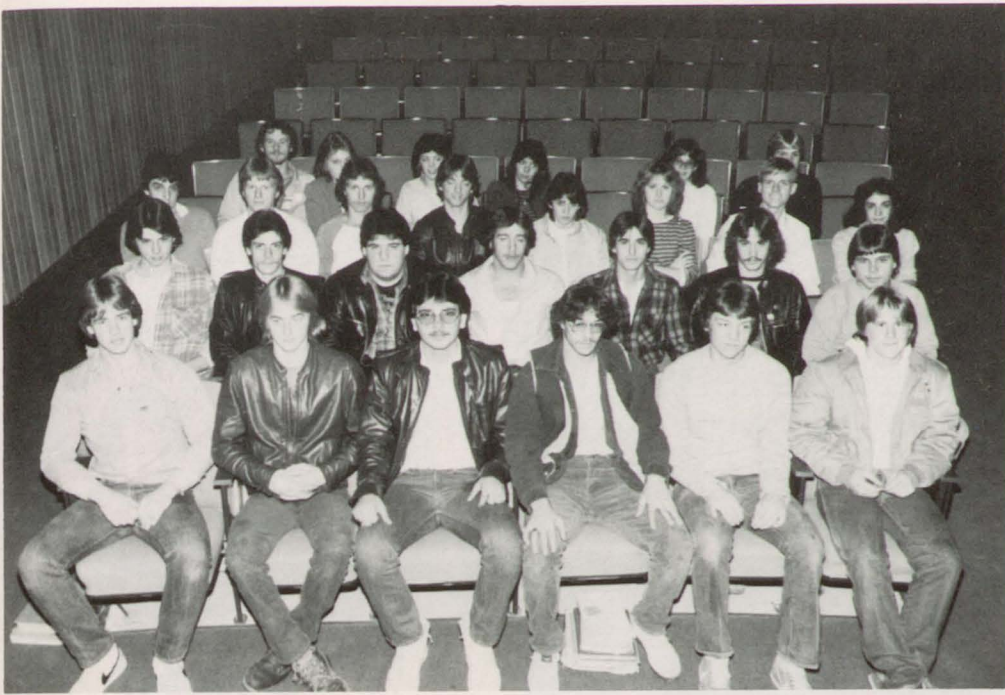
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L. St. Pierre, Sec.



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Pres.; J. McConnel, Sec.

Spanish Club

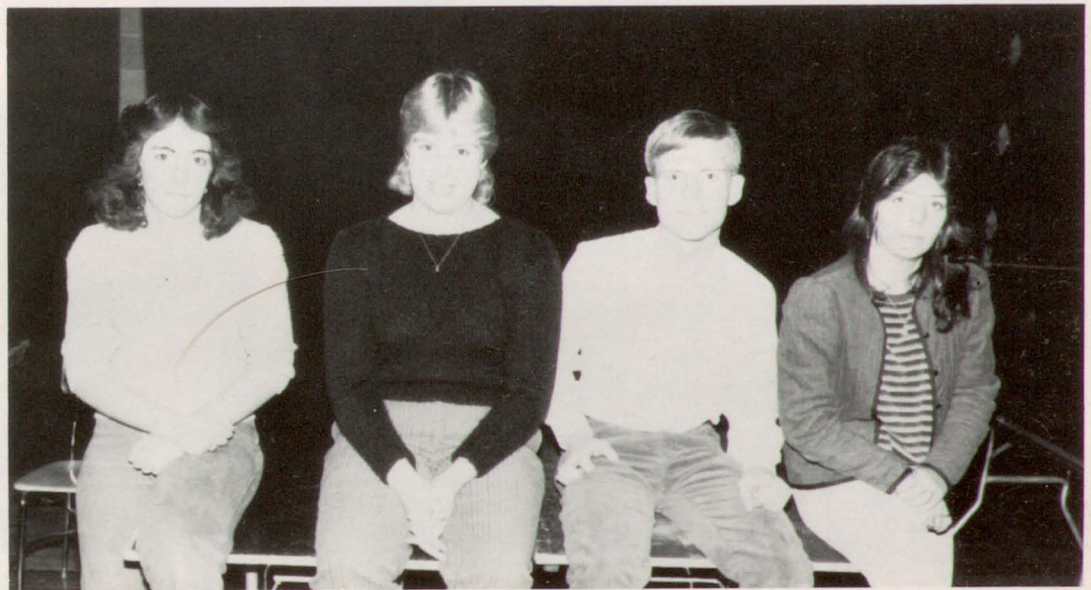




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VICA Officers

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C. Jones
D. Johnson
D. O'Roarke



ROTC Officers

Cadet Majors: N. Fournier, C. Bourett, N. Nye, L. Langlais, K. York, T. Parish, W. Higgins, W. LaChance.



Dance Team



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Drama Club



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ROW 1: P. Santilli; C. Olney; C. Garcia; S. Denman; S. Jencks; M. Baxter. ROW 2: B. Laplante; J. Horton; L. Fallon; C. Mosher; C. Singhass; L. Zawadzki; C. Gaudette. ROW 3: M. Benjamin; K. Snow; K. Andrew; C. Sheldon; S. Groves; S. Champlin; N. Fournier; K. Quinn. ROW 4: D. Ruscito; D. Bane; L. White; M. Cook; M. Fox; D. Robertson.



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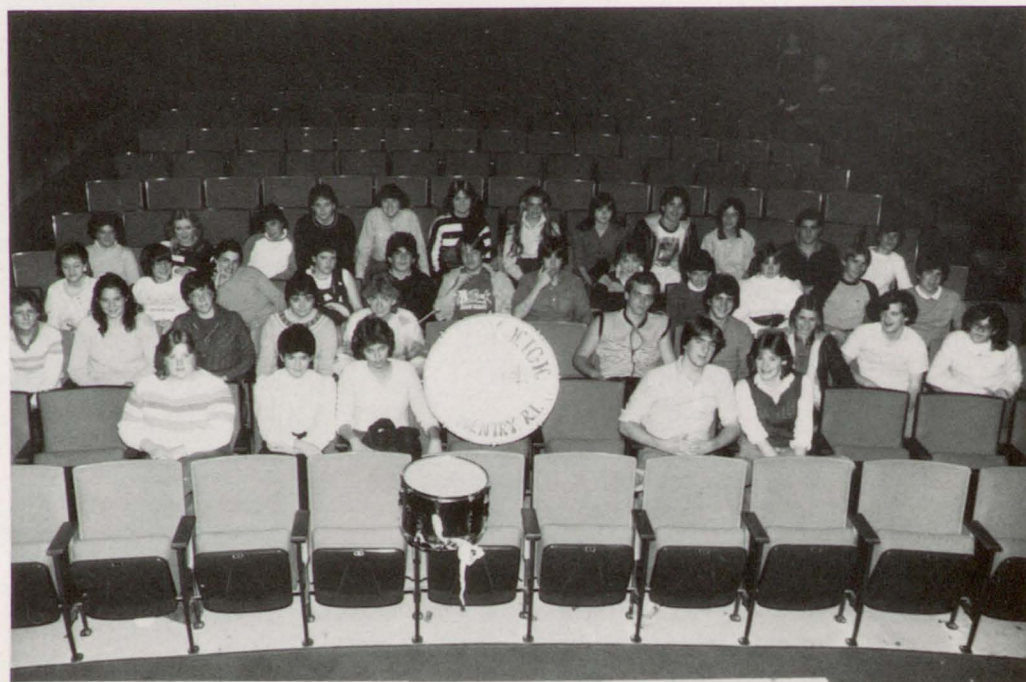
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Close-Up

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Band



Captains: A. Tarbox; S. Keenan; M. Coddington.



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Pom Pom Girls



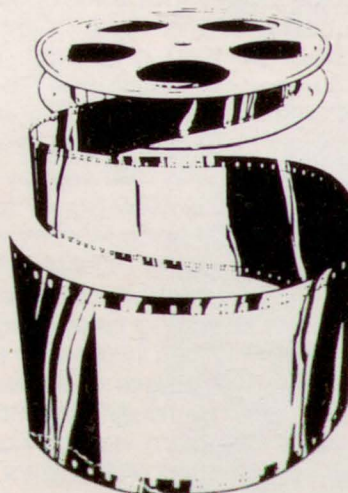
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Mrs. Mary Gray, Advisor.



Students at CHS began publishing their school newspaper called *THE ENTRY* in 1935. It was a four page paper that sold for 1¢. The paper's name was derived from the name of the town "Cov ENTRY." Miss Genevieve Kowalski was advisor in 1940 and each class had an Associate Editor and about 16 reporters. Jeannette Chabot was Editor and Junior Class Editor was Mary Matteson. The paper thrived. When the new high school opened in 1957, Janice Dupre was editor. In 1958 Janice continued to serve and was followed by Editors Joyce Alarie and Helen Simone. One issue of the 1959 paper told us that Mr. McLaughlin directed the Senior Play. Mr. Lance Murphy was listed as a member of the class of '59. Yes, even Mr. Piascik, the yearbook advisor, was mentioned in an article about Honor Students! Journalism students, since 1935, have been questioning and writing and developing that infamous "post deadline" twitch in order to keep parents, teachers, and students informed, entertained, and aware. Nearly 50 students now study journalism in a class taught by Mrs. Mary Gray. These students learn the canons of journalism, but they are well versed in how to roll the cameras in the production of TV news programs. For two years, *Entry* students have produced their own program, called FORUM on Channel 14, cable TV. In addition six students serve as reporters to the P.V. Times, writing an educational column, explaining the happenings at CHS!

THE ENTRY
50 Years of Journalism
The Student Newspaper
Chatter - Idle and
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Focus '84'

Welcome to the second edition of *FOCUS*. As you know this is the 50th anniversary of Coventry High School and your yearbook, *The Knotty Oak*. To honor this event, the staff has produced this special Golden Jubilee Edition. We have kept our promise. Your book is the largest in the history of the school and we hope one of the best. We have tried to blend the past with the present. As you go through the book you will notice art, pictures, and writings of the past combined with the present.



DAR AWARD

Lori Byrnes was elected by the Senior Class to represent our school as the winner of the DAR Good Citizens Award. The Daughters of the American Revolution Award is given to persons of good academic standing, leadership, dependability, and service. The services include courtesy, consideration of others, patriotism, and service to family, school, and community. Lori Byrnes, the Literary Editor of your yearbook, truly deserves this award. She certainly represents the best traditions of *CHS*.

CHS NAMED OUTSTANDING SCHOOL

The Department of Education has named *CHS* as one of the outstanding school in RI. U.S. Secretary of Education Bell, described our school



SCHOOL SPIRIT WEEK

School Spirit Week came early this year. Instead of taking place in the spring, it was combined with Homecoming Week.

For five days the students of *CHS* dressed for the occasion. Each class was competing for points! Monday was Hat, Button, and Glasses Day; Tuesday was Dress-Up Day; Wednesday was Tourist Day; Thursday was Costume Day; and the grand finale took place on Friday, Red and White Day. For that week the hallways and classrooms were filled with spirited *Oakers* ranging from Mr. "T", circus clowns, Miss Piggy, and a surprise visit from *The Godfather* and his associates.

Spirit Week came to a successful conclusion with the Anything Goes Contest and an evening dance. The *Class of 84* outscored its opponents and was declared The Most Spirited!

in the following manner: "The program has brought to a number of America's outstanding public schools recognition they have earned and richly deserve. It is our hope that in continuing to highlight the qualities common to exemplary secondary education, our schools can profit from their success." It is only fitting that our school should gain State and National recognition in this our 50th Jubilee Anniversary Year.

CELEBRATING 5TH ANNIVERSARY

WCVY is celebrating five years of broadcasting. Mr. Grady is faculty advisor, assisted by Chris Gauthier a Senior, as Program Director. Chris Cyr is Music Director while Norman Brunette manages Traffic for the station and Renee Jourdenais is News Director.

Other members of WCVY are Ralph Andrade, Greg Berube, Melissa Caimano, Mitch Cournoyer, Lenora DiEleno, Russ Dasta, Wendy Donnelly, Mike English, Sean Finerty, Sandy Herman, Marc Jourdenais, Greg Lombardi, Steve Matczek, Chris Maynard, Bob Pizzi, Mark Stewart, Jim Sundstrom, Shane Tennant and Leslie Volpini.





PATRIOTISM

Wars and Military service have always been a part of the history of *CHS* from the very beginning. Graduates of our school have served in WWII, the Korean Conflict, Vietnam and many peace keeping missions. The latest in the long list being Lebanon. Our young men and women have served in all branches of the service during war and peace and have earned many medals, awards and citations. Many have sacrificed their lives in the service of their country or received debilitating injuries. Three former *CHS* graduates deserve special mention: Firstly Albert Rice, who was killed at Pearl Harbor, Rice Field was named after him. Secondly Walter Clarla, lost both lower legs in Vietnam. The current athletic complex is named after him. Secondly Walter Clarke, picture appeared on the cover of Time Magazine. To our knowledge Rick is the only *CHS* graduate to appear on the cover of any national magazine. Lance Cpl. Crudale was killed during a terrorist attack in Beirut.

Most of our graduates have not given as much as the three young men mentioned, however, they have proved their patriotism and served our country well. One of our former graduate is a General in the Army; a second is a Colonel serving in the Pentagon. Our young men and women will continue to serve in the armed forces of the United States. We only hope that none of them will have to make the sacrifices mentioned above and that peace, not conflict, will be their future.



ACADEMIC LEADERS

The final class ranking named Kathy Bartels, *valedictorian*, and Bob Derocher, *salutatorian*. Congratulations you both. Bob and Kathy worked hard in Honors Programs and college prep. courses. Their awards are well deserved. In addition both Bob and Kathy have given of themselves to *CHS* by participating in sports, clubs and many other activities. These two young people have left their mark on *CHS*!



CENTURY III WINNER

Eileen Moss was selected to represent Coventry High and compete at the state level for the annual Century III Scholarship. Runners-up were Kathy Bartels and Theresa Menders.

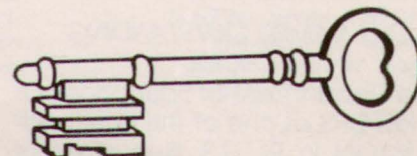


A CHRISTMAS CAROL

The Drama Club selected Dickens's *A Christmas Carol* as their production for this year. The play was presented as a radio show set in the 1940's. This gave the students an opportunity to see something that no longer exists, the golden days of radio.

TEEN ADVISORS

Danny Best was named President of a new group of students called Teen Advisors. These students agreed to act as advisors to lower graded students. Also elected was Michelle Ricci, Vice President, Carlene Bradford, Secretary; and Bobby Dyer, Treasurer. They will begin after the New Year by visiting elementary schools regularly.



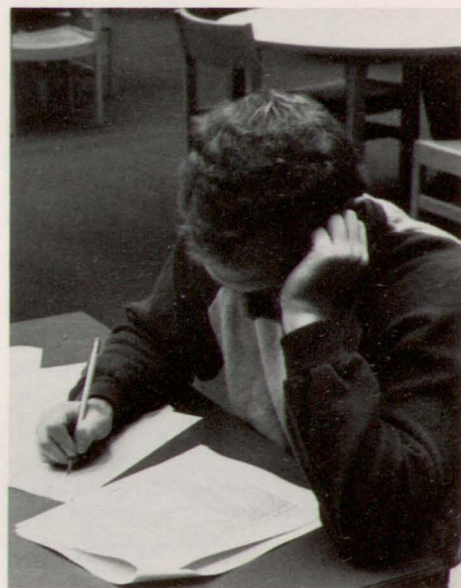
ROTC

The Air Force Junior ROTC program just completed it's 11th year at *Coventry High School*. Members from this years class, as well as other past members have achieved honors in the High School, in the Military and in Civilian Life. The Coventry Air Force Junior ROTC program has always been rated as one of the top programs in the country. The Unit serves the school and the community with pride and dignity. It renders service to its athletic programs, student council, school clubs, the VFW, senior citizens centers and youth groups in town. When the school or the town asks the Air Force Junior ROTC for its support, it gets it. It's served faithfully for 11 years and hopes to do the same in the future. In the last three years the Unit has received five full four year Air Force ROTC Scholarships. This year the recipient was Thomas W. Noel, Jr. who also received nominations to the Air Force Academy.



THE NATIONALS ARE COMING

The 1983-84 year has to the most exciting, busy, and memorable one in *CHS* history. In addition to 1984 being the 50 anniversary of the school, Coventry High School will have the honor of hosting the National Student Council Conference. This June over 2,000 students, teachers, and celebrities, from all over the US will be coming to our school. Planning for this conference has taken more than one year. *CHS* is the first school in RI to host this prestigious conference. Congratulations to the Student Council, Mr. DiMicco, the advisor, and student chairpersons, Eileen Moss and Cindy Lombardi. At last the rest of the nation will have an opportunity to see *CHS*. We know they will be as proud of our facility as we are.



CHS TO COMPETE IN

STATES ACADEMIC DECATHLON

Thirty students competed for the school's decathlon teams.

The teams competed with students from other schools in the state.

Decathlon Teams: Sean Finnerty, Tracy Meadows, Michelle Perros, Kevin McNamara, Gary MacDonald, Linda Marshall.

Alternatives: Robert Desrocher, Chris Kaplan, Eileen Moss.

They competed in Mathematics, Science, Social Science, Economics, Fine Arts, Grammar and Literature. Included were timed essay, prepared speech, impromptu speech and interviews. The Decathlon was held on Saturday, December 10 from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. at CCRI Knight Campus with the awards banquet held at Bryant College.



VARSITY REVIEW

The Varsity review which was held in March was a big success. It consisted of acts from the Student body and the Faculty.

The student council also gave away food baskets to the needy families so that they too could have a happy holiday.





NATIONAL MERIT STUDENTS

Four Coventry High School students were named Commended Students by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. These students have demonstrated exceptional academic promise by scoring in the top five percent of more than one million students who participated in the program. The Merit Students are: Sean Finnerty, Gary MacDonald, Linda Marshall and Joseph Senercia. All four students are actively involved in school activities ranging from clubs, cheerleading, sports, and Miss Marshall who is the co-editor of the yearbook.

HOMEcoming WEEKEND

Climaxing Spirit Week, was Homecoming Weekend. Events began with the annual Student Council sponsored parade, which included a float with a giant birthday cake and 50 candles marking the 50 anniversary of Coventry High School.

That afternoon, the annual Homecoming football game was played, pitting the Oaker Eleven against North Kingston. The Oakers, playing tough defense, won the game. During half-time, the CHS band revealed their new uniforms to the public. The climax of the day was the crowning of the Homecoming King, Dave Padula, and Queen, Kim Wilcox.



MARCHING MUSIC

Our marching band played at and did 7 home games for the half time shows.

Band and Pom Pom girls were proud to show their talent this past March by taking part in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

In May they took a trip to the I.M.H. and performed in the annual "Field Day Parade".

The Band and Pom Pom girls performed for their last time this year on class day, which took place in our auditorium and also Graduation night, which is held at the Warwick Musical Theatre.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

The Jazz Singers and Chorus were scheduled to present a special Christmas Concert on December 22 at the Midland Mall in Warwick, but due to bad weather, the event was cancelled.

Meanwhile the band and the Pom Pom Girls dressed in red and white entertained shoppers at the Warwick Mall. Their sound of silver bells and spirited voices made a beautiful addition to the yultide season. Mr. Doiron was advisor and arranger of the Christmas Music.

SCIENCE ANYONE??

On February 16, 1984, the Science Department held their annual Science fair. The judging took place in the afternoon and the awards were awarded that night.

The science department also held a MEDICAL WEEK which enabled students to meet with representatives from various hospitals.

The Science Club had a representative from the SAMARITANS come to C.H.S. to speak with students about teenage problems and suicide.

LIVE TV SHOW

For their first live TV show the Entry's Cable TV staff went to Coventry Jaycee's Haunted House.

Russ Dasta and Suzanne Dumas carried the cameras, while Ralph Andrade handled the lighting. Audio was Bob Pizzi's job and Nancy Lawton was hostess of the show. The Jaycees who sponsored the Haunted House program were instrumental in getting the students TV producers there. After a long filming session many hands and fingers were numb.

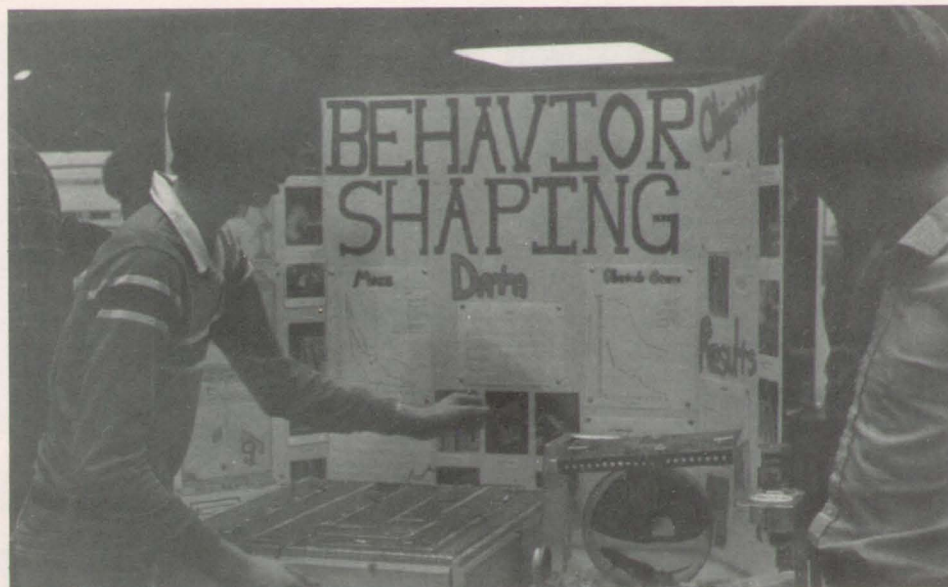
CLUB ROUNDUP

The Spanish Club has had a fairly busy year, starting off with the election of officers. In November the club attended a bi-lingual play called "The Three Cornered Hat" and in December had a successful candy sale. The club also went to "The El Torito" to sample foreign foods. In April the Spanish and French Club spent a day in New York.

On December 1, the French Club went to see a play by Moliere entitled "The Doctor In spite Of Himself", they were accompanied by Mrs. Anne Greenleaf.

To enrich their cultural experience about forty French students decided to spend the Afternoon of Saturday, December 3, at the "Left Bank". They had French cuisine for their dining pleasure and then went to Davol Square to purchase le cadeaux de Noel.

To end their busy year both the Spanish and French Club had a very successful International Dinner in May.



OAKERS HOCKEY

Our hockey team chalked up one victory after another. Coventry's varsity won West Warwick High School's Invitational Hockey Tournament at West Warwick Civic Center Rink. Oakers Junior Varsity captured the annual Warwick Invitational Junior Varsity Hockey Tournament at the Thayer Rink in Warwick.

They defeated Tollgate in the title final 8-1. This is what one of Swanson's Knotty Oakers said, "The teams private goal is to stay undefeated for it's coaches. We'd like to thank them for working us and keeping our drive alive." They had 11 games and out of that they scored 91 goal for and 10 against them.



STUDENTS SEE JANE EYRE

Heritage Playhouse which was a church before its renovation was the scene of the performance of Jane Eyre. The performance which was attended by Sixty English Students from CHS was accompanied by Mrs. Mary Gray, Mrs. Lillian Thurston and Mrs. Walther McCarthy.

BRANDEIS VISIT

More than 100 students from the English Department of CHS went to Waltham, Massachusetts on Tuesday December 6th to see the performance of "The Crucible" at Brandeis University.

The group was accompanied by Mr. DiMeo, Miss Bradley and Mrs. DelBonis.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 26, 1984

I am most pleased to send greetings to the students and faculty of Coventry High School as your school marks its Fiftieth Anniversary.

You have attained this milestone in your history at a period of unprecedented challenge. As never before, the future of our society will be determined in large measure by the quality of intellectual nourishment our young people receive during their high school years.

For five decades Coventry High School has prepared thousands of youth for academic, vocational, and professional pursuits, thereby enriching their lives and contributing significantly to the social and economic well-being of this nation.

I feel certain that the group of public spirited citizens who opened a new high school in the depression days of 1934 never envisioned the school would become one of the largest and most effective in the state of Rhode Island. This remarkable progress is to be commended.

You have my best wishes for many more years of success and prosperity as Coventry High School continues its fine record of community service.

Ronald Reagan



Give it back now!!!



I'm in trouble now ...



Someday I'll give the orders!



OH NO! We're having a quiz!



The Plane, The Plane!



What did you say?



Why is everybody leaving?



I'm ready for desert now.



You think I can fit?



What else do you put in a salad?



Body by Soloflex.



and Mama bear said to Papa bear



E.T. Phonning home.



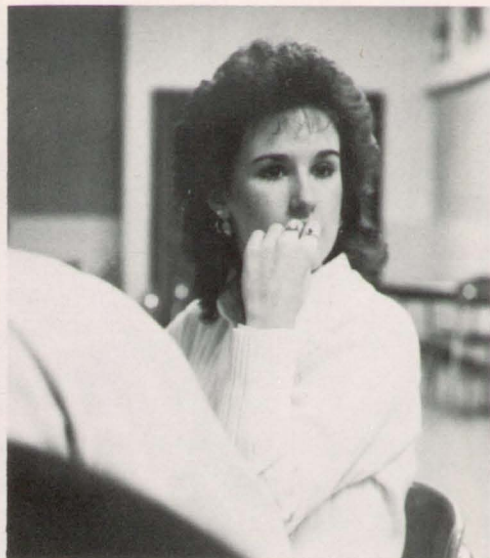
If I keep flapping my arms like this, I might be able to take off!



Show us your underalls!



Only one of us can lead.



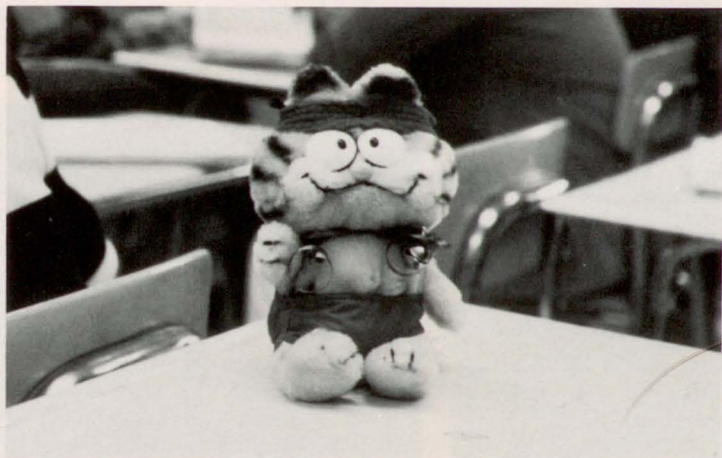
On my God!



Spider-Man, Spider-Man, does whatever a spider can . .



I told you to use a fork!



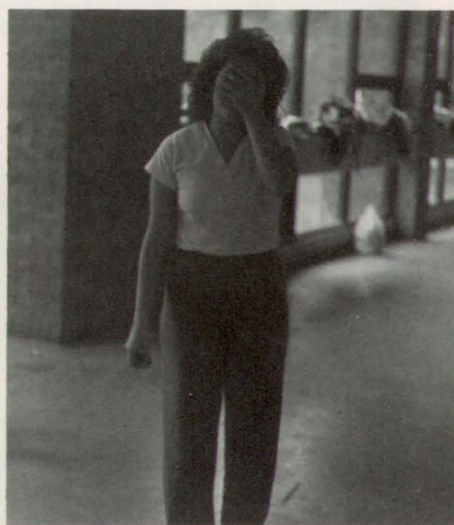
Star Athlete



What . . . me WORRY?



What do you mean I was out of step!



Maybe if I hide behind my hand, the photographer can't take my picture.



These hands are lethal weapons.



Come up and see me sometime!



Oh what a headache!



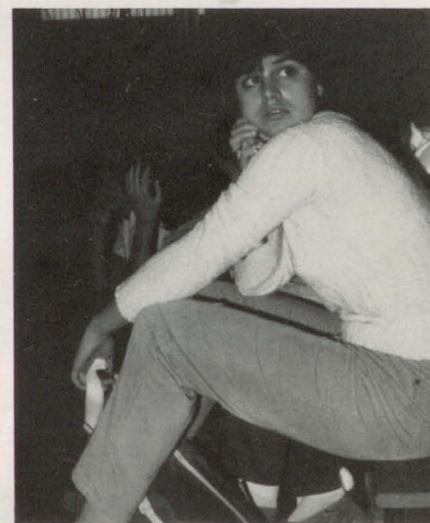
Attention, students ... no ... Attention loyal subjects



That school lunch hits me right here every time!



Hi Mom!!



What is it?



Future Rockettes!



What's the answer to number 2?



Annette want a skippy sandwich?



Couldn't you have just handed me the life-saver?



Just one more jump and I'm the winner!



Straight from the Broadway musical cats
....



One singular sensation



Remove your hand from my knee!



Hi there ...



NO! Don't hit me.

Boosters

CONGRATULATIONS to Coventry High School on your Golden Jubilee Anniversary from Harold Trafford, President of the Coventry Town Council.

To my good friends at Coventry High: Scott B., David B., Brian K., Bob O., Wayne H., Al F., Linda L., Donna C., Joy T., Gina G., Lorianne R., and to my best friend Tony D., and my girl friend Lisa F. Sincerely Mike Turcotte.

Michel, you mean the world to me and I will always love you, love Amy.

Luck and love to my best friends: Sandy, Michelle, Cindi, and Sherry. Love Amy.

It must be a matter of luck finding the best of friends - just look at the ones I've found. Lots of luck in the future. Dean DeTonnancourt.

Sherry to a special friend. Life is made for the special friends, and I'm glad to say we are friends forever! Have a cool summer. Love Kellie.

Best of luck to Paula and Ellen from their Big Sister Laurie, also, Best of Luck to The Class of 1984.

Good luck Bob Derocher in everything you do. Love P.C.

Best of luck from everyone at the Pawtuxet Valley Prescription Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett E. Hudson, Jr. wishes the Class of 1984 the best of everything.

Ron, thanks for being you! "I love you!" Colleen.

You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope some day you'll join us and the world will be as one. John Lennon lives on!

I love you Sue D. Love ya always. Rick N.

Len, thanks for all the good times! Love always, Sandy.

To Julie, thanks for making this year my best one ever and I love you for it! And to Kev, Chris, and especially M.L. thanks for being great friends! Rick.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ball and Family. Congratulations.

Good luck to the Class of 1984 from the employees of Suburban Propane, Coventry, RI.

Good luck at LSU, Terri! I'll miss ya! Love Kerri.

To my best friends: Elaina, Colleen, and Christine. Love Lisa.

Lisa Horne - my little gymnast, keep on flipping. Love Mom.

Karen, I love you very much! Zillions of Besos, Chase.

Chase, I love you! Muchos Besos, yours forever, Karen.

To my new friends I've made in CHS, good luck in everything you do. Thank you Michael for being here when I needed you the most! I love you with all my heart, Julie.

Jeanne and Joey wishes the Class of 1984 Best of Luck!

Congratulations to the Class of 1984 from Mr. and Mrs. Potter.

Sun and Fun! Treats and Tricks - *We are The Class of '86!* Best of luck to: Todd, John, Mark, Sue, Kim, Dean, Dana, Missy. Have a great summer. Best wishes. Robert Wright.

Dave Tucker, I love you and I hope our relationship strengthens with every day because I want it to last forever. Your love always. Lara Cotter.

Lara, I have known you since we were kids. You have helped me through the good and bad times. I hope we can always be there for each other. Love ya! Stacey.

Kristen & Holly Rock rolled off a cliff & Disco lives on. K&J What? Wendy keep up on basketball. I love you Cheryl. Kerry be good. I love T. Love ya always, Michelle Tellier. Hi. Michelle B.

All my love, happiness and best wishes to the one I love. Al Laurena. Good luck to Lisa Colvin and Billy Rice and the Classes of '84 and '87. Sue Felingiere.

From an Alumni of the Class of 1964. Congratulations.

To my friends love ya J.R., A.H., D.B., S.W., Wee-Wee can I borrow a shirt? Moo-moo Buba were going to have a mighty good summer. Love ya, see Van Halen!

Pete, I love you very much babe!! Forever yours Sandy J.

Mom, Dad, Terri, Bobby and E.T., you're my favorite people. Jay, John, Paul, Mark, Michelle, Kim, Lynn, Lisa, hope we're friends forever! I love you all! Keep smiling! Donna Cabral.

Congratulations to CHS on your 50th Anniversary. From Mr. V's Steak and Lobster House, 577 Tiogue Avenue, Coventry, RI. Tel. 828-6550. Fine food and dining pleasure. Your hosts: Joe and Jan Dantuono.

School wouldn't be what it's today if it wasn't for friends. Good luck to everyone! Also wishing the best of luck to the hockey team next season. Love Sandi.

Lorena, yesterdays gone but I'll never forget all the great times since we've met. Tomorrow is coming. We both know its true, but whatever happens I'll always love you. Todd.

Because of you the world becomes a better place and whatever dreams I ever have are the pictures and the thoughts that you inspired in me. Keep on smiling. Kim Maine.

Boosters

Jon, to a special friend. Thanks for everything love, Nomind.

Mr. and Mrs. Normand Montmagny Congratulate the Class of 1984.

Ellis Kinney - Good Luck Class of 1984.

Mr. and Mrs. William Leddy & Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian R. Boucher (Jean Masterson) 1968.

Best of luck Class of 1984 from Stara & Pete Pare.

To Donna, Gina, Viv, Karen, Joy, Cindy, and Sue. Yesterday is a dream and tomorrow is a vision but you make life easier by what you do and say.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ruzzo wish the Class of 1984 Best Wishes.

Lauren, you're a great sister and I'll miss you! Love Lisa.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel wishes the Class of 1984 Good Luck!

Barbara and Vinnie Macari offer congratulations to The Class of 1984.

Harry Ball and Tracy Silva. Always and forever! True love.

I recall the original Knotty Oak, a sturdy old tree, an appropriate namesake for the high school of Coventry. Best wishes on your 50th Anniversary. Good luck Paula from "Pa". Former Senator Everett E. Hudson, Sr.

Congratulation to Monica - *Top Gopher* - without your help this book could not be published. From your husband, The Advisor.

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To the students and faculty of Coventry High School, past and present, Best Wishes on your 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary.

Nancy and Ronald Reagan

