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Imagine... the possibilities

As we prepare to enter a new millennium, we dream of making a difference in the world. We imagine finding a cure for AIDS, saving the rainforests, exploring a new planet, or establishing peaceful interaction among all countries. Our goals are high; our dreams are big. Yet, we know that we possess the insight, ambition, and energy that is necessary to make the future a better and brighter place.

For the time being, though, we imagine ourselves doing new and exciting things here at Cranford High School and in its surrounding community. Some of us imagine receiving an "A" on a Chemistry test, scoring a game-winning goal, earning our first paycheck, or getting our driver's license. Others imagine landing a role in the school musical, creating a beautiful piece of artwork, or voting for the first time.

Whatever our interests may be, Cranford High School provides us with a vast array of classes, sports, and clubs to satisfy our quest for knowledge and our desire to be challenged. There is so much to experience at Cranford High, and with the resources for success at our fingertips, it is truly up to us to imagine the possibilities.

By: Julie Schweitzer



Above: **CHILD'S PLAY.** Seniors Eric Messner, Brian Beirne, and Brent Heck are obviously young at heart. Throughout the semester, the trio worked hard in their Child Development Class.

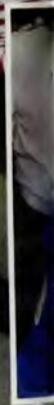


Below: ROSES ARE RED . . . Good friends Kevin Glenn and Mary Vasquez are enjoying a fine September afternoon. Kevin gave Mary these roses as a token of his affection.



Right: TOUGH CROWD. Senior Julie Schweitzer has her hands full serving these faculty members at Pasta Night. Julie's ability to coax the Olive Garden staff into extra breadsticks earned her an "A" from all of the teachers.





Below: **COUGAR PRIDE** Senior Pat "Superfan" Gorman loves to get decked out in blue and gold when he attends Cougar sporting events.



Above: **FRESHMEN FOOD FUN** Shannon Paster, Christine Schmitt and Lauren Zuravnsky are enjoying each other's company at Pasta Night.

Left: **CAN THEY TAKE YOUR ORDER?** Seniors Heather Rembert, Katie Syzmona, Tara Klebaur, Julia Renedo are excited to serve Pasta Night patrons. Their excellent service helped the senior class to raise much needed money for the prom.

Imagine...
the freedom

Being a student at Cranford High School entails much more than attending classes and writing term papers. To be a CHS student is to live life to the fullest, to seize opportunity, and to make each day a little less ordinary and a lot more exciting. Participating in activities such as the Fall Play and Pasta Night, volunteering time after school, and unwinding at a concert are just some of the ways in which CHS students display their distinctive talents and individual interests. By spending time in so many different ways, each of us contributes to the diversity which exists at CHS.

By: Julie Schweitzer



STUDENT LIFE

USE YOUR IMAGINATION

Q: If you were to propose a new class for the high school, what would it be?



A: "I would start a class that worked hands-on with helping the environment and helping the needy." Dawn DeLaFuente (11)

A: "I would start a philosophy class because I think people would find it very interesting." Devon Murray (10)



Right: JUST HANGIN' OUT. Freshmen Matt Kabel and Susan Gerow relax after a hard day of school. Both love the high school but Susan especially loves her peer facilitators Kelly Coughlin and Caren Demyen.



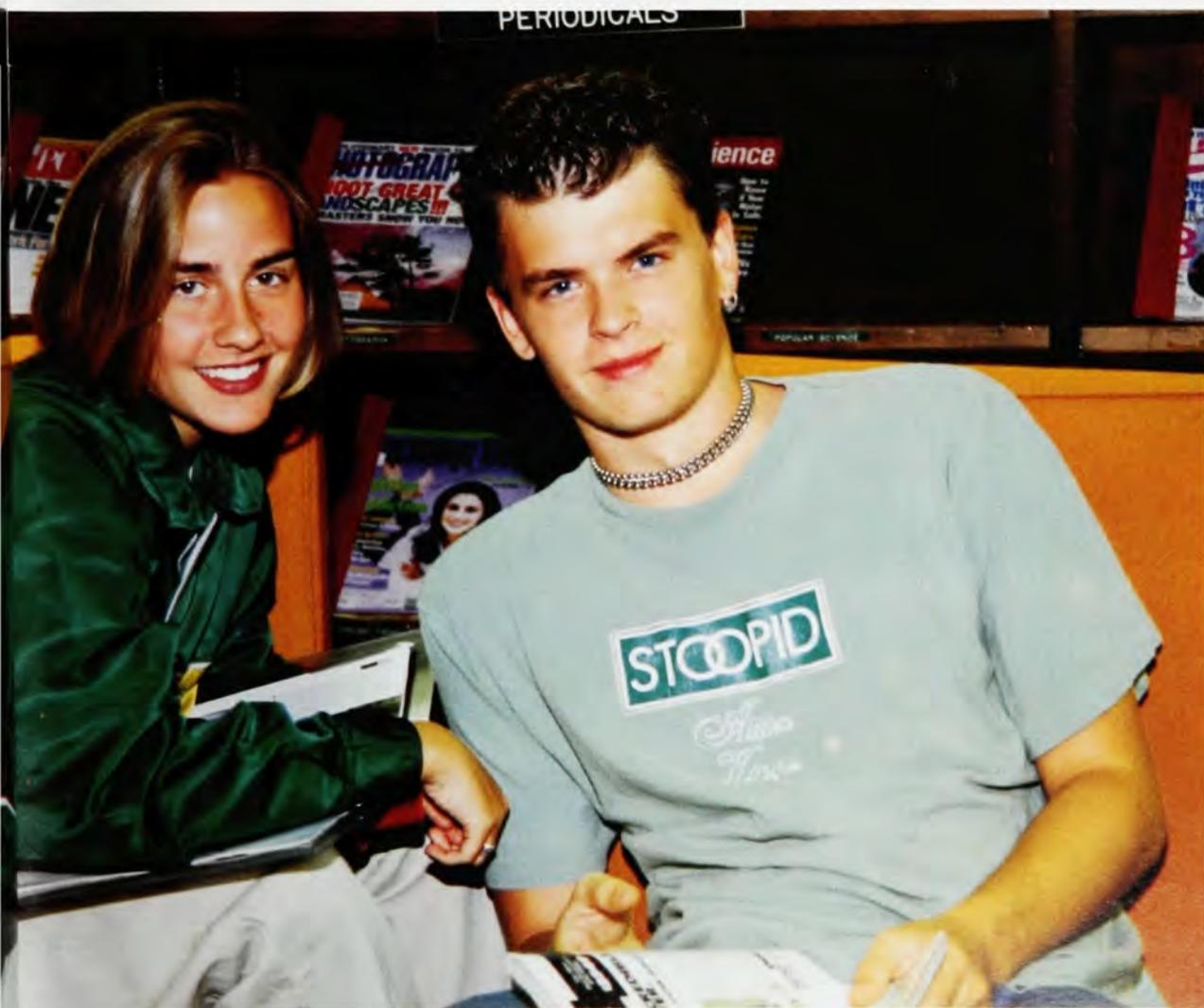
Below: MEET ME LATER! Andrea Mueller and Tracy Stemmer are making plans for the evening. They finally decided on heading to the movies and getting a bite to eat.

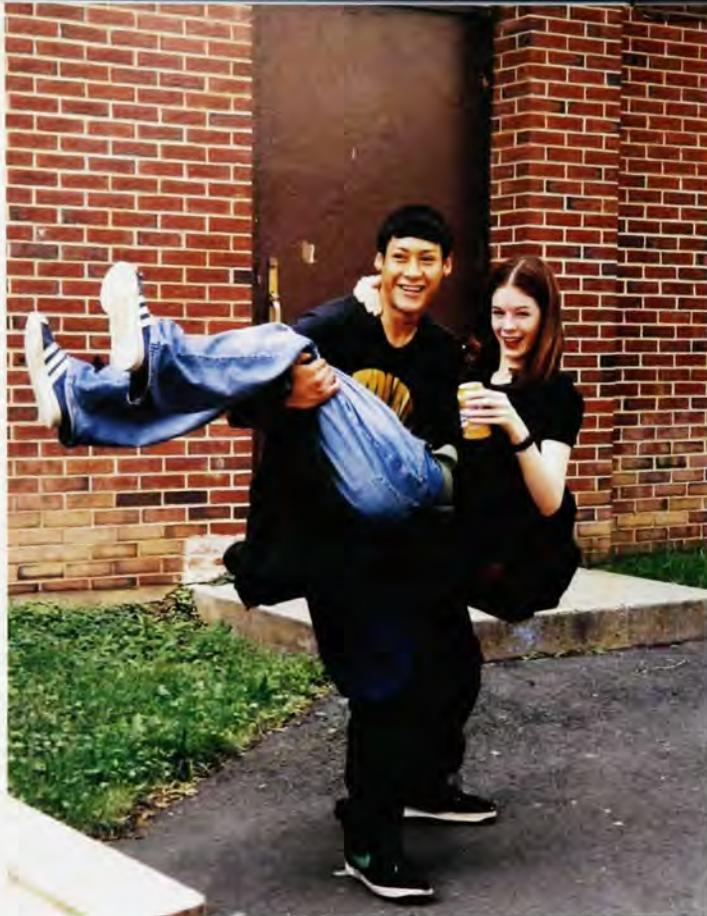




*Left: **HARD AT WORK.** Senior Pete Lyons is seen here conducting an experiment. Later on that period he finally cracked the code for the mystery meat at lunch.*

*Below: **LOOKIN' GOOD.** Senior couple Beth Johnston and Kris Oseredczuk are catching up on each other's day. They both seemed to have a busy schedule but made time for each other that afternoon.*





Above Right: SWEPT OFF HER FEET. Junior Linda Pentland is affectionately picked up by senior Chris Arce. Linda and Chris originally met through the Vo-Tech program in our school.



Right: IT'S A BIRD, It's a plane . . . it's sophomore Jason Harris and he's here to save your day. Halloween wouldn't have been the same without Jay's creative flair.



Above: BOOGY DOWN, Juniors Kelly Bramwell and Angela Viso bust out with a few of their best moves between classes. Kelly hopes to someday appear on Star Search.



*Left: **TIME OUT.** Alisa Detore and Leigh Weber meet up unexpectedly to chat before class starts. Unfortunately their time was cut short when the bell rang signaling the start of class.*

*Below: **ARE WE THERE YET?** Senior Christine Forlini is graciously carried up four flights of stairs by senior Fionn Fitzgerald. The two have been close friends since grammar school.*



*Left: **LOUNGIN' AROUND.** Junior Adrian Moore anticipates the day's end on the front steps of CHS. His wish came true when the bell rang at 2:55.*



Below: SAY CHEESE! Sophomores Tim Bombaci, Pat Maher, and Veronica King love making their pin hole camaras in VC class. Later in the period, they developed their prints in the darkroom.



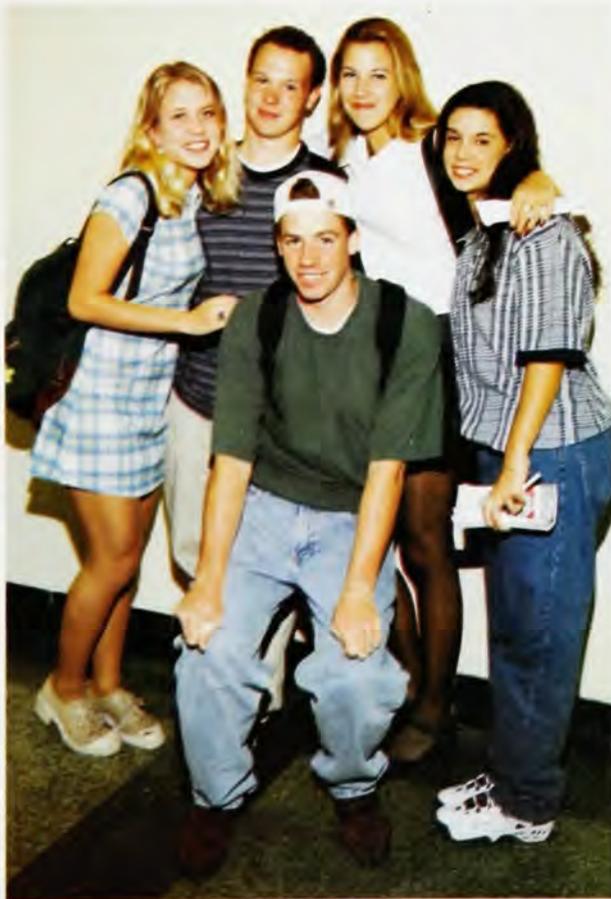
Right: THE GREAT OUTDOORS. Seniors Chris Sands, Jack McFadden, Ryan Cubelo, Lou Bock, Greg Bazilus, and Keith Tarulli enjoy the fresh air in the outdoor cafeteria. Unfortunately, this senior privilege was taken away due to mischief on Pasta Night.



Right: DA' BENCH. Juniors Rob Hubbuch, Pat Mamrak, senior Mike Venditti, and juniors Pat Burke and Pietro Somma wait for their chance to do some damage on the soccer field. Sadly Rob was hurt for most of the season and spent more time on the bench than he wanted to.



Below: $E = MC^2$. Senior physics students Jill Redlund, Melissa Perez, Erika Quintana, Kim Kaltreider, and Alexie Kupka "crunch" numbers to figure out their physics lab. These seniors obviously enjoyed lab just a little too much.



USE YOUR IMAGINATION

Q: What era would you have most liked to have grown up in?



A: "The Early Eighties. I would have been great to see Larry Bird soar out of French Lick and onto the NBA Scene and make the pass to DJ to win the NBA Championship." Marc Petito (10)

A: "The Hippie Era would definitely have been my choice. Them Hippies were hep-cats. Those times would have been groovy!" Victoria Hynes (11)



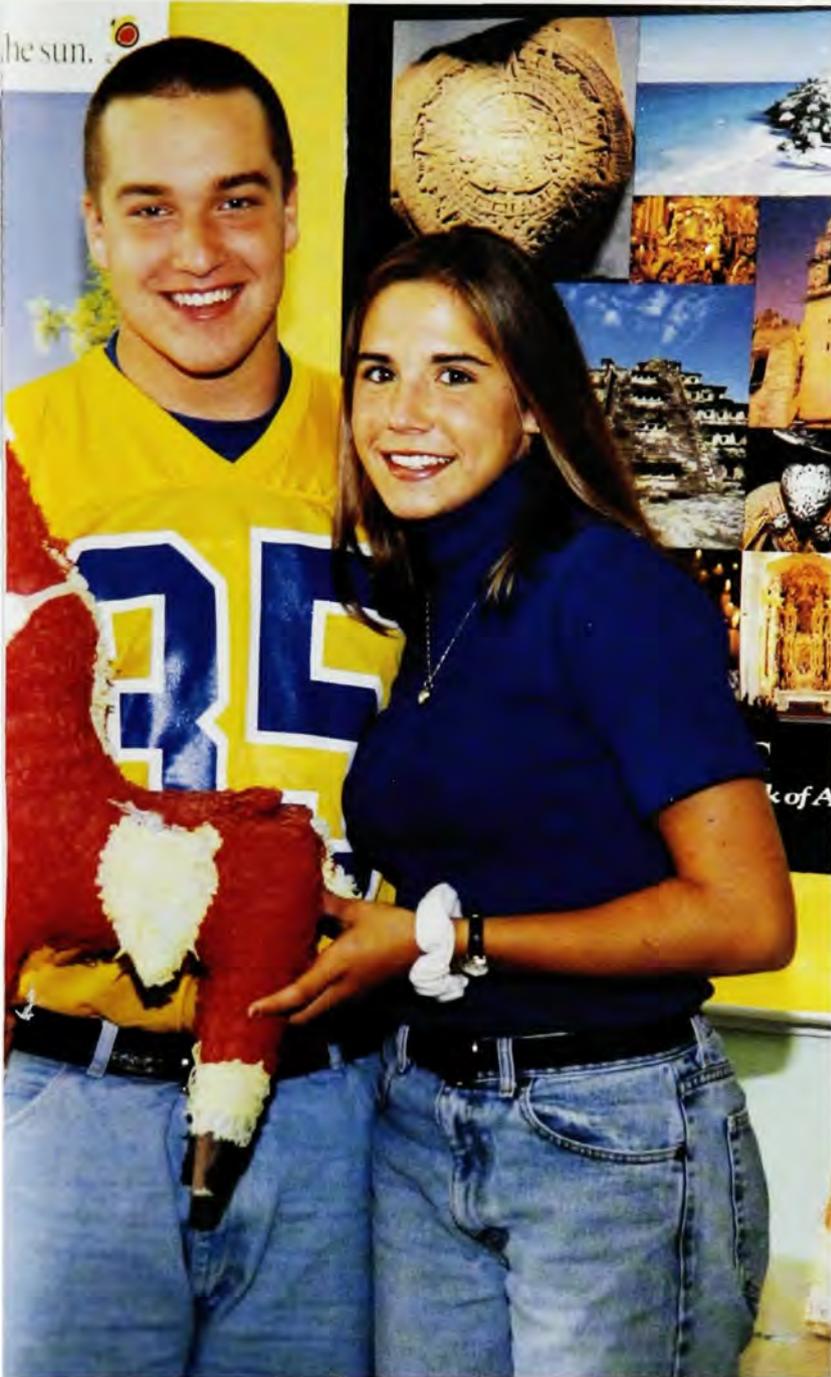
Left: WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM MY FRIENDS. Juniors Beth Decker, Brian Harley, Michelle Ponto and sophomore Kelly Edmonds try and cheer up junior Kevin Feeley. Kevin was feeling a little "low" that day.

Below: **IN THE PINK.** Senior Linda Hausstein really knows what's cookin' in food's class. Linda relaxed after she finished baking a delicious batch of cookies.



Below: **FRIENDS FOREVER.** Seniors Diana Dollard and Monique Brown share fond memories in the halls of CHS. Later that day, both Monique and Diana left for their Co-op assignments.





Above: **HOLA!** Senior Tracy Swackhamer and junior Ron Roberts help each other out when it comes to making their piñatas. Both Ron and Tracy were dedicated members of the Spanish Club this year.



Above: **HAPPY TOGETHER.** Junior Julie Kiamie and senior Caren Demyen are obviously close friends. Caren was wishing Julie luck on her upcoming tennis match.



Below: **DAY-DREAMING.** Sophomore Tracey Mulvaney patiently awaits the end of her English class. She spent the period thinking about the field hockey game she would play after school.

USE YOUR IMAGINATION

Q: If you could be any superhero who would it be?



A: "It would be Wonder Woman because she's a girl." Kim Sheara (12)

A: "It would be the Incredible Hulk because he can be strong and then gentle at times." Mike Gathercole (12)



Left: TO BE YOUNG AGAIN. Seniors Kathleen Conrad and Danielle Goncalves go over curriculum to teach their kids the next day in Child Development. Their students loved the lesson they taught about colors.



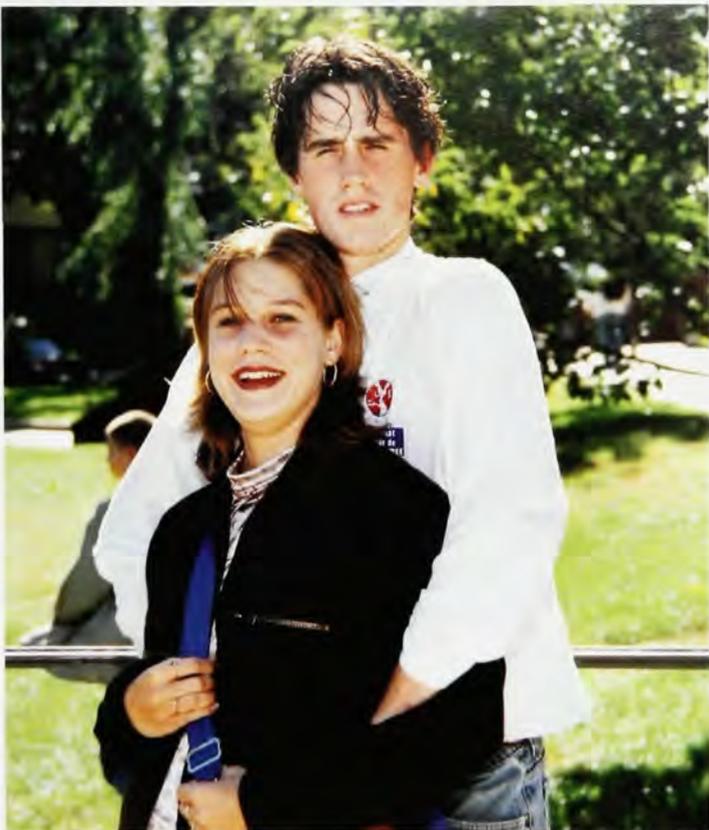
Above: WOW, THE COLORS! Juniors Scot McKay, Mara Goodgold, Dawn De la Fuente and Laura Crawford smile with relief after putting their math problems on the board. They certainly brightened up the halls on Color Candid Day.

Right: DIVIDING HER TIME. Mrs. Connelly knows how to push all of the right buttons when it comes to being a good teacher. Her costume was "calculated" to be quite an original.

Below: SITTING PRETTY. Sherri Haber and Blythe Huber enjoy window seats in gym class. Both girls received A's for their participation that marking period.

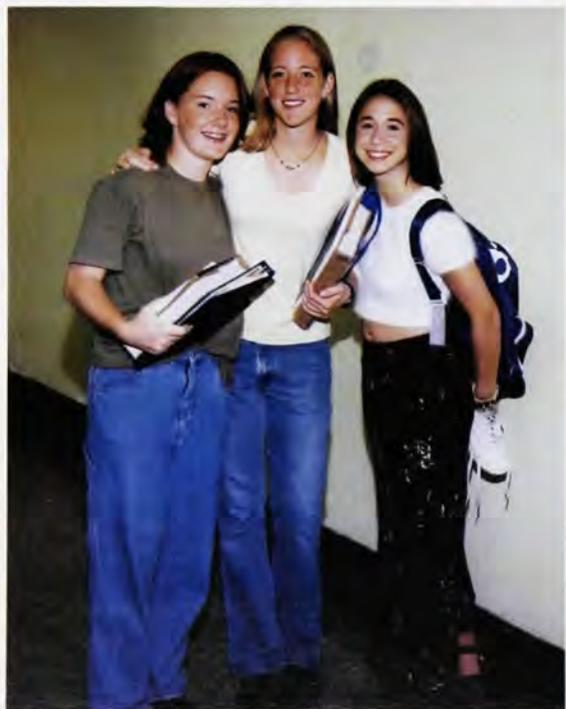


Below: BEAR HUG. Seniors Traci Prutzman and Brent Heck enjoy their time together after school. Brent gave her a good luck hug for her meet that afternoon.



Below: WHAT A MOTLEY CREW! This group of football fans stop for a quick picture as they await the outcome of the big game. Earlier that day, many of them competed on the field in their own athletic events.

Right: BEY BE, GO'S! Seniors Andrew Traut and Alex Reszetylo are styling after a long day at CHS. Later that night they both shared laughs at their favorite coffee shop, Lucca's.



Above: ON YOUR WAY TO CLASS! Sophomores Liz Demcsak, Lora Grutzmacher, and Lauren Salvaggio don't mind being late for class to take a quick picture. At least they had an excuse this time.

Right: SMILE FOR THE CAMERA. Freshman Molly Redlund is obviously enjoying her history class. She stayed up late that night studying for the next day's exam.



Left: BEST FRIENDS. Juniors, Vicky Hynes, Megan Weiss, and Katie Snyder are smiles despite the overcast day at the football game. Before the game, these three girls went out to breakfast.



Above: SPORTS FANATICS: Seniors Christineavicchioli and Adrienne Furino are enjoying each other's company and showing school spirit at the football game. Later that day they attended a field hockey game together as well.



Above: NEW FACES. These sophomores and freshman are supporters of the cougar football squad. For most of these freshmen, this is their first high school football game.

Right: HANGING OUT IN THE HALLS. Juniors Beth Ann Gorsky, Jenny Decker, Sharon Leonard, and Beth Decker love to hang out in the halls between classes. They also enjoy spending time together on the weekends.



Right: Dan Bryer, Colin McFadden, Bill Hansen, and Rich Shackell get all wrapped up in their raffle sales. Luckily, they managed to pull enough money together to offset the pricey prom bids.

Below: Senior Paul Harrison is really blowing everyone away at the fundraiser with his trombone. His sweet sounds were later interrupted by a tempting plate of spaghetti.



Above: Danielle Chilinski and Julie Schweitzer finish setting up and making signs in anticipation of the big night. Minutes later, they were bombarded by hungry patrons.

Right: This rowdy bunch of senior girls are discussing the Pasta Night menus. With the help of the Olive Garden, they satisfied the diners' hunger.



The Olive Garden helps seniors raise much-needed funds.

MAMA, MIA!

Mmm! Mmm! Good! On October 24th, the Olive Garden Restaurant teamed up with Cranford High School's senior class to cook up one of the best Italian dinners this high school and town has ever seen. Salad, spaghetti, served to two different seat-
tic people. The first, at 5:30, were jammed with patrons the taste of excellence.

Diners were served by and later serenaded by the School Jazz Band. As if that tickets were sold and aston-
gift baskets and certificates

"The turnout was tre-
Foulds, "and our senior
gether." However, seniors
having fun. "Pasta Nite was great. I got the chance to eat with my friends and get out of my house on
a school night. I hope our Pasta Nite turns out just as good" said junior Jennie Lee Smith.

Even though some of the senior class's proceeds went to the Olive Garden, this year's overwhelm-
ing crowd still helped to rake in sufficient money to offset the high cost of prom bids. Thanks to all of
those people who helped us out by attending. The senior class really knew what was cookin' that
night!



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ings of hungry, enthusias-
and the second at 7:00,
who anxiously awaited

Cranford's finest seniors,
lively sounds of the High
wasn't enough, raffle
ishing prizes including
were given out.
mendous," says Kristine
class really pulled to-
weren't the only ones

By: Danielle Goncalves



Left: Lisa McCarthy displays her own waitressing style. Her diners later thanked her for her service with a smile.

Above: The senior class takes moment out of their busy "nite" to take a victorious picture for a successful fundraiser. With everyone's participation, it was a night to remember.

Right: A group of juniors have a great time saying goodbye to their friend Sophia Spanomanolis. At the end of the summer, Sophia moved to Greece which saddened all of her good friends.

Below: Juniors Rebecca Severs, Laura Crawford, Katie Snyder, and Megan Weiss are ready for another night out on the town. These four have been friends since the first day of high school and love to hang out together.

Below: Senior Josh Evans enjoys a sunny round at "The Hill." Josh competed in many competitive tournaments over the summer.



Everything under the sun!

Summer Fun



Everybody has their own way of having fun and the summer is the best time to do it. After the last bell has rung and the last grade is recorded, the students are free to roam the town, free to visit other countries or do anything their hearts desire, or

Some people like to go on vacation. From Aruba to Italy students love to travel. Studied in France over the summer was a unique, an educational, too!"

Others don't go as far, but a group of friends had a great time. "Going down LBI this summer was a great week of the night and I friends."

Unfortunately, money is a necessity over the summer. This often means getting a job and working hard. Seniors Dave Feder and Kevin Pemoulie took jobs at Diamond Communications Inc. in Garwood to raise their summer monetary funds. Kevin indicated that "Diamond was a big ol' wacky warehouse. Imagine what a bundle of fun it was? Eight hours of manual labor a day!!! Now that is a great summer."

However, working was not limited to laboring though. Many seniors went on a quest for the perfect college, while others took the chance to work to improve their athletic skills. Pat Pepe visited Wake Forest which he said, "had a beautiful campus with a very classy student body." Super soph Shannon Murray spent many a hot grueling summer hour working on her soccer skills. "Hopefully all of my summer hours put into the sport will pay off in the future," remarked Shannon.

Even though work is necessary, fun is the main goal and we sure know how to achieve it!



Below: The sun has obviously gone to senior Beau Macksoud's head. Beau, along with sophomores Eric Montgomery and Kevin Fontana, had a great time during their cross country weekend at the beach.



Use Your Imagination

Q: What was your most unforgettable summer experience?



This past summer, I hung out down in West Palm Beach, Florida at a resort. All we did was lie around on noodle rafts all day-it was great.
A: Marisa Fazio (9)

Great Adventure was fun, especially since I got to share it with my two closest friends.
A: Kelly Edmonds (10)



Left: A large number of sophomores got together to say adeiu to their dear friend Emily Hill. These sophomores obviously had a great time that night.

Below: Sophomores Emily Hill and Nicole Pepe play around at their workplace, The Buttery Bakery Shoppe. At the end of the summer, Emily moved, leaving Nicole in charge of her "buns."



Right: Senior Dave Feder tries his hand at cooking while working at Marino's Fish Market in Cranford. All of Dave's friends loved to come in and have him serve them.

Below: Seniors Michelle Foulds, Caren Demyen, Ashley Caldwell and Eric Dale work hard at the Westfield YMCA. All four were trying to save up money for college and stay afloat at the same time.



Above: Senior April Lanz returns the videos to their places during her work shift at Drug Fair. April loved to remind everyone to "be kind and please rewind."

Right: Junior Megan Weiss and seniors Linda Haustein, Kristine Foulds and Jen Zehnder love to work and shop at Mandeess. The four were happiest when they could work together.



Students save for their futures while gaining real-life experience.

Work it out!

Whether you baby-sit your neighbor's kids or put in a 25 hour week filing paperwork, holding down a part-time job is an integral part of high school life. A job can teach a student many valuable lessons about real life and there are a lot of positive obvious reasons for working is Students need money for small hanging out but there are also burdens like cars and college.

There are also less obvious give you a taste of what being explains senior Pat Bock. responsibility, and also the people we don't normally en-

In many cases jobs can also field that you may want to later Demyen, Cadet Captain at the someday graduate from medical school. "I love the feeling that I get from volunteering at the squad but it also gives me a great background in what I hope will someday be my career."

Jobs come in many different varieties and many CHS students, like seniors Steve Comintini and Jessica Stable, hold several to pay for their cars and to make ends meet. Luckily, there are many opportunities available in Cranford and the surrounding areas for students who need or want jobs. All they have to do is imagine what they want, and then go after it.

By: Bianca Fernandez



reasons for working . "Jobs an adult is all about " "They teach independence, skills needed to interact with counter," give you experience in the pursue. For example, Caren First Aid Squad, hopes to



Above: Senior Jason Ellis spins a pie at his favorite eatery, Il Giardino. This after school job brought in good money for Jason all year.

Left: Hmm, that smells good. Juniors Laura Civile and Joann DiFabio wrap the delicious bread at The Big Sky Bread Company in town.

Right: Merlin, senior Pat

Gorman's monstrous iguana, whispers sweet nothings in his ear during their play time together. Unfortunately, Pat's other playmates won't hang out with him because Merlin gets very jealous.

Below: Crispin, Bianca

Fernandez's llama, lives in New Hampshire at Camp Glenbrook. Every summer, Bianca visits him and takes him for special walks to the dentist.



Everyone loves their fuzzy, furry, funny pets.

Creature Comforts

In fact, it's hard to go anywhere anymore without seeing someone walking their dog, playing with their bird, or coaxing their cat out of everywhere and it's not unwalking or running alongside

Anyone who has a pet as special as this relationship Senior Jen Zehnder, whose pets and numerous hamsters asserts, and are just so cute. I have had received my rabbit, BunBun.

Pets become ours from various sources. Some people receive their pets as gifts while others have the luxury of selecting them from a special animal shelter.

Senior Amy LaBonte got her ducks and four rabbits in an unusual way-she saved their lives. "Two of the rabbits were abandoned and I took care of them and the ducks were my seventh grade science project."

Most will agree that having a pet requires a lot of responsibility and hard work. There are cages to clean, litter boxes to change, and hungry mouths to feed. However, CHS students have found that these chores are a small price to pay for the love and joy a pet brings into their lives.



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knows that nothing is quite between an owner and a pet. include a rabbit, dog, frog "They keep you company pets since I was little-I even as a surprise gift on Easter." ous sources. Some people others have the luxury of batch at the pet store or

two ducks and four rabbits in

By: Chris Pugaczewski &
Julie Schweitzer





Left: Mr. Spinella takes his poodle, Chelsea, with him anywhere and everywhere in his convenient Doggie-pouch. He even brought her in to school for a visit at the beginning of the year where all of the other teachers oohed and aahed at how cute she was.



Below: Senior Amy Labonte cuddles with her bunny rabbit in her bedroom. Amy saved her rabbit's life several years ago.

Use Your Imagination

Q: What is the funniest thing your pet has ever done?



A: My parrot named Gizmo hangs upside down and screams help when you turn on the vacuum.
Leigh Weber (12).

A: My dog, Disney, ate a whole pepperoni pizza and survived.
Joe Muccia (11)



Left: Senior Christine Forlini and her dog Chelsea (obviously a very popular name for dogs), share some hugs and quality time on the kitchen floor. Christine and Chelsea have been together for what seems like forever.



Below: Directors Michael Marcus and Gary Cohen, Makeup Chairperson, Michelle Huljack and Technical Director, Nick Kuntz, celebrate a solid dress rehearsal. The show was a definite success and everyone enjoyed the comedy.



Right: Student Director, April Yates, gives her actors some last minute final directions on their performances. April was an exacting and demanding director.



Above: Mr. Kuntz's tech crew put in numerous after school and evening hours during the run of the play. Matt Zanes, Jaime Conroy, Lauren Weiner and Alan Trzuskoski deserved a great deal of praise for their hard work, dedication and skill that made "Don't Drink The Water" such a great show.

Right: Brian Turowski, whose character falls in love with Susan Hollander, Jessica Walsh's character, moves in for a big kiss. Both had a terrific time acting out their romantic roles.



Don't worry, it's just a play.

"DON'T DRINK THE WATER!"

If you were one of the many CHS students who actually obeyed the "Don't Drink The Water" warnings that were posted in early October, people thought that there were flushed out but in reality, it for try outs for the fall play, sor Mr. Michael Marcus and

The show, which centered Newark who are trapped in a Curtain country, was a clever humorous lines and strategic Turowski, who played Axle performing. "I loved the whole

very hard and we are proud of it," he said after the show's run ended the weekend prior to Thanksgiving.

Similarly, junior Jason Katsikis loved his role as a priest with magical talents. "I worked very hard on my accent," commented the real life magician who works at the Office in town performing his tricks. "However, the bond that we established between all of the actors made the show most worthwhile. We spent a lot of long nights together and got to know each other well-it was a great experience."

"Don't Drink The Water" was a guaranteed success from the first posters that appeared in the high school up until the final Saturday performance. Congratulations to all of the talented cast and crew members who made the play so entertaining and a genuine hit.



Left: Jesse Green and his wife, Julia Becker, spot something that brings terror to their eyes. In the end, these "spies" escaped their captivity using creative costuming.

Above: The entire cast mugs for the camera. They were such hams but they sure put on a terrific show.

Right: Brian Ponto struts his stuff for our *Golden C* photographer. He definitely got a lot of great attention with that pose and in that outfit.

Below: Kim Kaltreider, Lisa Decker, Linda Haustein and Kristine Foulds are probably some of the trendiest people in the school. You'll never see them wearing the same thing twice.



Students express themselves creatively through their personal style.

Fashions and Fads

We learn something new in school everyday, right? We also see new things everyday. Well, what we learn stems mainly from the diverse people around us. Everyone has their own personal style that fits them and the fashionsize who they are and what

Just as we are entitled to everyone is entitled to what express themselves. In some creative and in other cases norm. Either way their through their clothing

"In high school you tend throughout the four years, exactly the same as they did get older a style develops and they realize that every- was a phase. For that reason, not only do you see change between different groups of people, you see one person go through different changes of style throughout the years," explains senior Alisa DeTore.

There are many different fashions in this school. For example, some people have pierced belly buttons, tongues, noses, and even eyebrows, while others just stick to their ears. Heather White, who recently got her tongue pierced is afraid that, "my mom is going to kill me if she finds out. I like it though and it really didn't hurt that badly."

One person's idea of dressing up will be wearing fishnets, while another will be wearing a nice dress. The point is that everyone is unique in their own unique style that is what makes life interesting.



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to see a lot of change Not everyone looks freshman year. As they that they can get used to thing that came before



By: Marisa Rufolo



Left: Meghan Shannon and Stacey Rebello are dressed "illegally" for their Intro. to Publications oral report on censorship. Both juniors spent days researching First Amendment and dress code rights in schools throughout the United States.



Below: Tamar English and Kathleen Conrad share the pain of their piercings. Kathleen got her naval pierced after Tammy did because "Tammy is just so cool."

Use Your Imagination

Q: What is the one piece of clothing you could not bear to part with?



A: I would have to say that my favorite piece of clothing is my Yankees jacket. Mike Gordon (12)

A: My favorite piece of clothing is my DKNY jacket, I would never part with it. Monique Brown (12)



Left: Amy McGrath, Jess Smith, and Melissa Vogler are spirited Cougar supporters as well as style standouts at the fall pep rally. All three were psyched to get out of class to cheer on the athletes.



Right: Have you ever heard the PERFECT Spartan cheer? These nine spirited ladies have obviously been watching Saturday Night Live and know it well.



Above: Senior Eric Bribiesca shows some leg as he applies for the "Experienced Maid Wanted" position advertised in the cafeteria. To our surprise, Eric was not hired due to his "manly" features.



Above: Juniors Nancy DeVito, Angela Viso and Kaytee D'Amico have turtle power and are ready to take on anyone who comes their way. Later that night, the girls probably had a craving for pizza with anchovies-wonder why?



Right: Junior Sheryl Colarusso joins seniors Monique Brown, Diana Dollard and Janelle Mothersill after school to plan their trick or treat. They spent their evening clowning around together-what a wild quartet.

Halloween brings out the ghoul and fool in all of us.

Masquerade



Every year on October 31st, Cranford students are transformed from normal, wearing teens into blood-Ranging from dimpled faced hockey skirts to Mr. their creativity with innova-great time taking on different

Every year before the big Clubs get into the spooky pumpkins and gourmet lollitop of everyone's list of things Student Government holds during the day to get every-

This year's Peer Halloween before the ghoulish day was number of freshmen who came," said senior facilitator, Michelle Foulds. "Mark Stiansen made a cute field hockey player in his skirt and Chris Sbratta looked funky in Bianca Fernandez's outfit."

Male and female as well as young and old love this holiday equally. "Halloween is always fun for me because I get to create my own costume and go trick-or-treating with my friends" asserted sophomore Diana D'Amico.

However, when the day ends and all the scary looking faces are scrubbed clean and wacky wigs are put away for another year, students are forced to return to their normal routines and Halloween fades into pleasant memories.



Old Navy and Aeropostale thirsty, and wacky ghouls, babies and guys in field Sorrentino, students display tive costuming and have a "faces" for the day. day, the Art and Spanish mood by selling painted pops to students and faculty. or-treating is always at the to do at night. However, the annual costume contest one psyched and motivated. een Dance, held the week also "exciting because of the

By: Traci Prutzman



Above: Junior Eileen Garrity can not bring herself to stay in class. Unfortunately, her teacher feels differently.

Left: Seniors Bill Hansen, Kevin Pemoulie, and Colin McFadden share their ethnic foods in the senior cafeteria. These three seniors enjoyed a fabulous lunch courtesy of Hunan Wok.

Right: These juniors are not only friends in peer, but are also friends outside of school as well. Earlier that day, most of them engaged in a serious game of frisbee!

Below: Dan Bryer, Chris Thee, Troy Malko, Jeff Bergen, and Mark Stiansen are all decked out for the annual Halloween Peer Dance. Mark won the award for "Best Legs" that evening.



The Peer Leadership Program has an identity all its own.

The "Real" Thing

Peer leadership is a distinguished program that is made up of an elite group of students. These students are given many responsibilities but the responsibility of switching from student to teacher. Peer as role models and are treated result, they are able to communicate help steer or guide their

Peer allows people to learn meet new people, and find their hard thing to do but the Peer the skills that help facilitators as well as others.

Senior Beth Johnston be often difficult at CHS so it is Being yourself is sometimes a because your identity is often lost because of the influence of others. However, if you value your realness and diversity, nothing can take it away."

The essence of being real is discovering the answers to many questions such as "Who am I?" "What do I Value?" and "Am I being who I really want to be?" The answers to these questions help you discover who You really are and, the Peer Program may help you achieve this goal.



one of the most important is roles one period a week, facilitators are looked upon with respect by others. As a nicate with others well and peers in the right direction, how to express their feelings, "real" self. Being "real" is a Leadership Program provides learn more about themselves

lieves that, "being "real" is important to just be yourself, hard thing to learn to do

By: May Kachoojian



Left: Seniors John Newman and Erica Platt take a rest from dancing the night away at the Freshman Halloween Peer Dance. Earlier that evening, the two of them dressed up and borrowed each other's clothes.



Below: The lower house Peer members are obviously relieved as they walk up to the upper house for their departure. For most of these facilitators, this was their third and final time staying in the lower house.



Use Your Imagination

Q: What was your favorite part of the Peer trip this year to Mahwah?



A: I think the trust walks really helped me learn more about myself.

Laura Crawford
(11)

A: I really liked the in depth conversations we had. By the end, I felt like I could tell them anything.

Kerry Bender (12)



Left: This large group of seniors and juniors gather together before they leave Mahwah. Only moments earlier, they were psyched to receive their Peer clothes and gear.

Right: These juniors girls are having a REALLY good time at the Allman Brothers concert held at the GSAC over the summer. They tailgated before the show and started their summer off in style.

Below: Sophomores Kelly Murphy, Lora Grutzmacher, and Becky Taylor get down close to the stage at the Dave Mathews Band concert. The concert was held at Madison Square Garden in early October and many other CHS students attended the show, as well.



Right: Seniors Colin McFadden, Dave Feder, and Kevin Pemoulie lounge around in view of the stage at the Neil Diamond Concert. Towards the end of the show, all three guys were on their feet, dancing to the "Cracklin' Rosie" encore.



A pastime that REALLY ROCKS!

Concert-mania



Imagine the bright lights, the deafening roar of the crowd, and the first electrifying chord of a guitar piercing the air. Music has always been a popular pastime, but today, people of all ages enjoy attending concerts as a way while having a blast with

In December of 1996, presence known in the mu-the Z100 Jingle Ball, called Some of the profound art-No Doubt, Jewel, Tracy and Sarah McLaglan. This organized for women to fighting breast cancer.

Throughout the year, and inspired Cranford High Warped Tour, highlighting bands such as Pennywise, and the Horde Festival, with Blues Traveler and Spin Doctors, , were both popular events that drew a lot of students. However, other students looked forward to the River Fest, with The Band, which took place in Trenton and featured a barbecue rib cookoff.

Undoubtedly, music influences and reflects our culture. In America today, children and adults alike enjoy attending concerts and spend a great deal of money on cassettes and CD's. Obviously, the importance of music has sky rocketed in our generation and has spread throughout our world.

By: May Kachogian



to listen to some music their friends. women made their sic industry, performing at "Girls Rule the Yule." ists who played included Chapman, Sheryl Crow, sold- out concert was help other women that are

other groups entertained School students. The



Left: Seniors Alisa Detore and Marisa Rutolo are psyched to check out the Cure concert at the beginning of the school year. Later, they agreed that it was one of the best concerts they had ever attended.

Above: Juniors Mark Stanssen and Matt Tyndall max out in their limo on the way to the Horde Festival. Blues Traveler, Rusted Root, and Lenny Kravitz were some of the headliners that Mark and Matt listened to during the show.

Below: Starr Long and Erica Hellhake heat up their friendship at the bonfire. Later that night the bonfire died down but luckily their friendship has not.



Right: Senior Bill Hunt is snagged wearing a hat in class. His teacher later realized those rules were suspended because of "Hat Day" and let Bill hide his ever-developing "hat head."

Right: This bunch of rowdy football players are caught psyching themselves up for their game the next day. Their bonfire spirit helped them to play well against Elizabeth on Thanksgiving.



Pep rallies, Spirit Week and the bonfire spark students' interest.

Let's Get Fired Up!

"The bonfire was very exciting. It gave me a chance to converse with people who I don't really see in school and show my school spirit for the football players" said senior Pat Gorman who also asserted that the annual bonfire was one of the "hottest" places to be before the holiday weekend. During the event, the foot- by the fans and cheerlead- with everyone's help, the on Thanksgiving Day.

Although many feel that most spirited place to be, was a much welcome Whether it involved wear- sweats, a shirt from your decked out in red and green a day during Spirit Week

The most anticipated and was once again, "Hat Day", even a few girls a chance to be rebellious and break the school rules, while it also provided everyone with a day off from worrying about their perfect "do." Almost everybody, including most of the teachers, suffered from a severe case of "Hat Head" on that wonderful Tuesday.

Coming in a close second to hat day was "Sweat Day." Strategically placed on a Monday, this day allowed the students to roll right out of bed and comfortably recover from a very busy weekend. For those of you who didn't feel like wearing pantyhose or tucking in that shirt, this was the day for you.

The Friday of Spirit Week was a very special day though, because it gave the school a chance to show off their true colors-- school colors that was. This was when the bi-annual pep rally took place and all of the Winter sports teams got to flaunt their uniforms while the cheerleaders entertained the crowd. The cheering and high spirits ended the unique week with a bang and got everyone psyched for an even more exciting weekend.

By: Danielle Goncalves

ball team was cheered on ers of Cranford High and team played a great game

CHS is not always the during Spirit Week there change in attitude. ing your most comfortable favorite college, or being for the holidays, there was for everyone.

successful day of the week This gave the guys and



*Use Your
Imagination*



Q: Why was Hat Day your favorite day during Spirit Week?



A: "I didn't have to remind my students to take their hats off and my hat was a real Stetson."
Ms. Connelly

A: "I loved showing off my enormous cranium."
Ms. Kinsey



Left: Juniors Mellisa Slavik and Justine Raffree are psyched for the blue and gold day pep rally following their 7th period English class. Both girls cheered on the winter sports teams with enthusiasm.



Above: Taffey Gregory is the epitome of Christmas cheer on "Holiday Day". That afternoon, she was mistaken for Mrs. Claus.



Below: Juniors Chris Sbratta and Matt Arcieri get a big "kick" out of Nikki Virgilio's Sweet Sixteen celebration. Both guys had a blast at the weekend bash.



Right: These seniors, who attended the December ski trip to Sugarbush Mountain in Vermont, are having a great time just hanging out together. After a tough day of snowboarding and skiing, all they wanted to do was relax and party.



Above: Senior Julia Renedo celebrates her friend, Amy Oriscello's 18th birthday, in grand weekend style. Amy was overwhelmed with roses and balloons on her special day.

Right: Pat Ekstrom and Jason Harris announce their presence at a summer weekend party. The two sophomores showed off their newest moves all through the hot evening.



Students cherish their two days of freedom.

What's goin' on tonight?

The bell rings and a group of Cranford high schoolers run out the front doors for a two day week-end of fun. "What's going on tonight?" and "What movie do you want to go see?" are some of the most common questions that you will hear reverberating through the halls of CHS each frenzied, Friday afternoon.

"I love the weekends when I can relax and sleep, McCarthy. However, while weekends relaxing, most party or hanging out with blow off steam." On the school and would rather have fun" asserted senior

However, lots of kids and work on the weekends. great hang out place for kids you will see people like se-junior Dawn DeLaFuente making extra cash behind the counter. Athletes also practice on the week-ends and are sometimes on club teams and have games in the afternoons. "During the fall, field hockey games were always a big part of my weekend" said senior Kerry Bender who finished up a tough season early in November.

After five days filled with homework and studying, Saturday and Sunday are often the highlight of our week. Whether we have travelled into the city to see a concert, shopped at Woodbridge Mall, or just relaxed at a friend's house, these weekend activities and the gossip are what we will most remember as we reenter the halls of CHS bright and early on Monday morning.

By: Traci Prutzman



cause they are a time "said senior Lisa some people spend their students enjoy going to a their friends in order to weekends, I forget about party with my friends to Josh Evans.

also like to make money For example, TCBY is a on the weekends where niors Lauren Charme and



Left: Juniors Kelly Bramwell, Joann DiFabio and sophomore Katie McGowen stroll through Greenwich Village on a fall Saturday afternoon. The three girls cruised through Urban Outfitters and Antique Boutique before chowing down at Mickey D's.

Above: Seniors Tara Klebaur, Jackie Clark, Katie Szymona and Daina Lieberman bond during a weekend camping trip. The four girls spent a week at the Daniel Boone Homestead and enjoyed the great outdoors.

Right: Sophomore Meredith
Holtman-Thompson practices her
jumping at an equestrian summer
camp. Meredith has been riding for
years and has been successful in
numerous shows and competitions.

Below: Saturday afternoons are
the best time for skating and blading at
the high school. That Saturday, there
was a weightlifting competition at CHS
that drew a big crowd which forced
these athletes to call it a day.



Some activities are in a league of their own.

A Sporting Alternative

Football, soccer, field hockey. Are these team sports familiar to you? Of course they are. Whether it's actually attending the games or just hearing the scores over the morning announcements, our school is inundated by or these. Now there is also playing these sports or sup- other hand, it is time to non school-sponsored Varsity team, and whose letter jackets and specific sports such as skateboard- back- riding , BMX, skiing, ing entice and involve many addition, all of these "alter- serious and committed as For example, Senior Jason boarding contest held in a resulted in a sponsorship for means that in future com- representing the company he will be acting as a kind of spokesperson for their product.



ganized sports such as lutely nothing wrong with porting them, but on the recognize sports that are sports, that don't have a members don't receive uniforms. For example, ing, rollerblading, horse- surfing and snow board- people from CHS. In native" athletes are just as athletes on school teams. Ellis recently won a skate nearby town. This contest Jason, which basically petitions, Ellis will be which sponsored him and

Alternative sports are a great way to spend time, stay in shape and keep your goals in view. They are in some cases even more challenging then organized sports because there are no coaches to keep you going , and there are no practices everyday to keep you on task. So, in order to succeed in an alternative sport, you have to be an extremely directed person with the perseverance to grow and the confidence to become a more learned athlete on your own.

By: Bianca Fernandez



Below: Senior Ken Lutz scans the coast before paddling out into some heavy surf. Ken, an avid surfer, has ridden the waves for many summers at the Jersey Shore.



Left: Ryan Olesky attempts a no-footer on a nearby trail. Ryan, a nationally ranked rider, has recently moved up to an even higher level of BMX competition.

Above: Seniors Traci Prutzman, Kerry Bender, and Sara Collette enjoy a strenuous day of skiing on the trip to Sugarbush this winter. All three ladies were conditioned athletes so they survived the weekend activities without any injuries.

Use Your Imagination

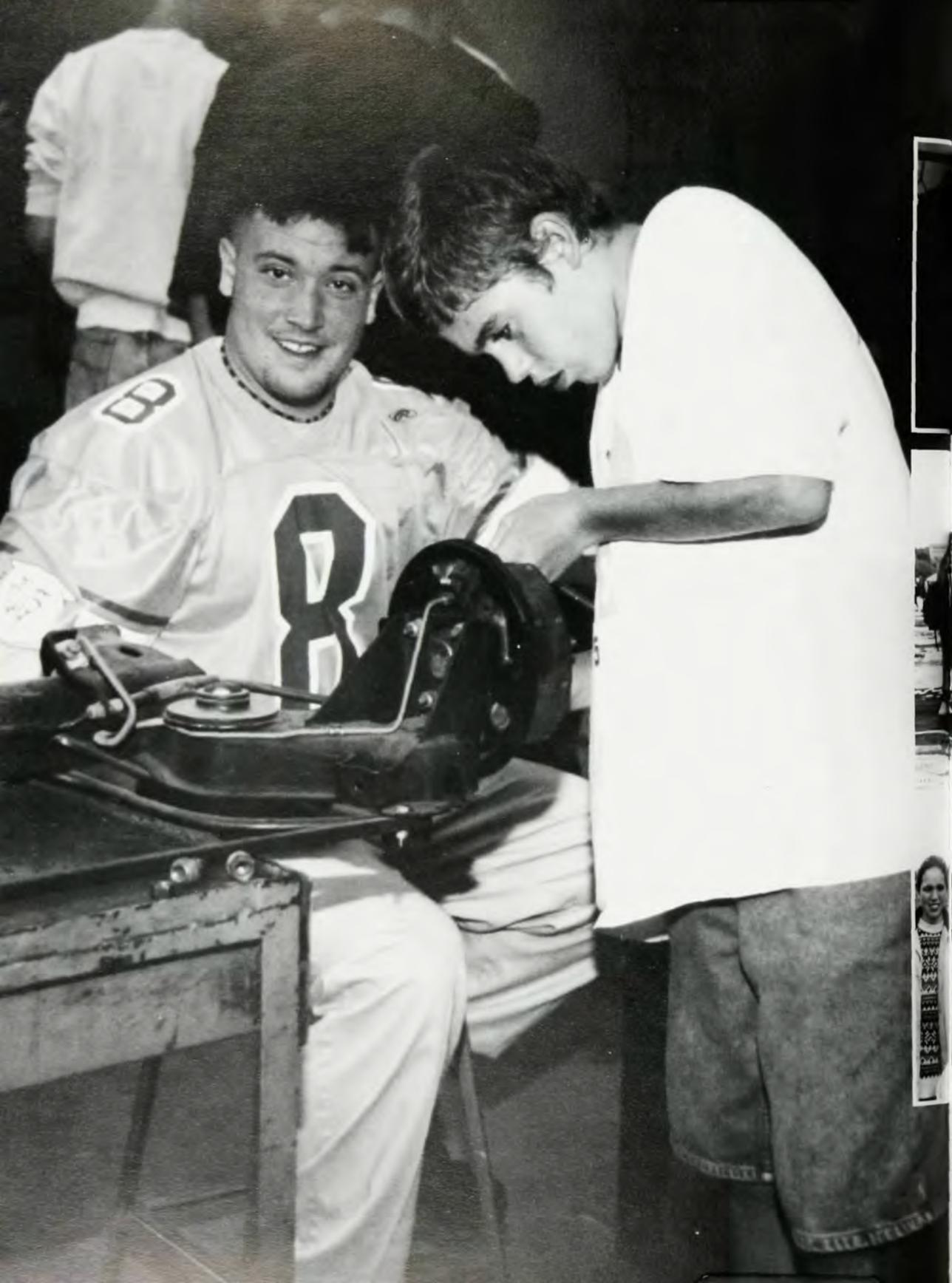
Q: What is your favorite Alternative Sport and why?



A: "I like fishing because it's like life- you cast out, lose your bait, catch the "Big One", snag your line, but in the end, you find that it was all worth it."
Rich Noble (10)

A: "Traut and I are super fans who love to throw on the paint and rev up the crowds at all types of sports events. We are not crooks. Support your local super fan."
Pat Gorman (12)





Below: **PLAYING DRESS-UP?** Senior Julia Becker is so excited to pick out the costume she will wear for the fall play, "Don't Drink the Water." Thanks to the superb sewing skills of the Costume Club, Julia and the other cast members had a great array of costumes to choose from.



Imagine... the Variety



Imagine baking an apple pie, discussing notable literary works, handcrafting holiday candles, or visiting a local nursing home. Cranford High School has a plethora of clubs to satisfy every type of student. Whether it's your love of the outdoors, helping others, speaking a foreign language, or solving tricky mathematical problems that prompt us to join a club, CHS has a club to meet these varying interests. Teaching valuable lessons in time management and leadership, clubs also provide students with the opportunity to meet people who enjoy the same things they do. With clubs such as Drug Free Youth, Students for Environmental Action, and the Visible Woman, CHS shows that it really does have something for everyone.

By: Erica Platt
and
Julie Schweitzer



Above: A **"BERRY" GOOD TIME**. Members of Students for Environmental Action are having a blast during their field trip to a New Jersey cranberry bog. The trip was both fun and educational.

Left: A **LITTLE HELP?** Senior Jim Addresso smiles while he makes sophomore Rich Noble do all of the work in Autos Club. Luckily, Rich knew exactly how to fix the axle.

It's An International Frenzy

There is a wide diversity of clubs offered at the high school, and among them are those which deal with our nation's government, as well as the current, global issues facing the world today. With the help of **Model U.N.**, **Model Youth in Government**, **Cultural Awareness**, **Law Club**, and **Mock Trial**, students at CHS can get a head start on their future, and gain more knowledge about our nation.

Model U.N. is made up of a group of students who simulate the United Nations by breaking into different countries and committees. The students study and debate different topic areas and proposals, and come up with solutions to the world's present problems, which the committees handled at the annual conference in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

In a similar light, **Model Youth in Government** also deals with

the nation, promoting an understanding of the political process of State Government. The students must propose bills which are to be passed into law through the State Assembly. The also members attend meetings to research and discuss their opinions.

On a different note, the **Cultural Awareness Club** concentrates on the entire world, as opposed to the United States' government. The club members meet to discuss the diverse cultures of the world and any current events concerning culture. This was the club's second year in existence and they planned many events this year, including a foreign movie marathon, a trip to explore the ethnic communities of New York City, and a trip to the United Nations and Ellis Island.

Related to **Model U.N.** and **Model Youth in Government** is the **Law Club**, which discusses topics of the day in our justice system. The many subjects of conversation vary, from national law to the changes which took place in the high school. The club members also listened to speakers from the field of law as well this year.

Mock Trial is a club which also pertains to government, but in a different manner. This group gives those interested in trial law an opportunity to actually experience a trial. This year's case involved a hazing incident at a university. In the past the Mock Trial team at Cranford has been quite successful, like this year, and has dominated the Union County Competition.



Above: Model UN Members take a break from their busy meeting to flash a smile at the camera.



Model UN

Adv.: Ms. Rita Anne Howard, Pres. Brian Boyle

"Despite difficulties in preparation for the conference, we still overcame the odds, did well, and had a good time."

Jesse Green (10)

"All of the members of Cultural Awareness have different cultural backgrounds to share, and the foreign films discussions add to the experience."

Scot McKay (11)



Above: Always thinking of others, Cultural Awareness members Jon Morris and Diana Oliveira discuss the current issues around them.



Model Youth in Government

Adv.: Al Berke, Pres. Brian Boyle



Cultural Awareness

Adv.: Lisa Dino, Co-Pres. Konika Paul and Joyce Lee



Above: Law Club advisor Mr. Flashberg gives Lisa Lavikoff some advice on her techniques for Mock Trial. Is this really the appropriate way to get his point across?



Above: Pres. Brian Boyle and Vice-Pres. Dave Feder of the Model Youth in Government find time during their hectic schedules to strike a pose.



Law Club
Adv.: Mr. Flashberg, Pres: Bill Hansen



Mock Trial
Adv.: Mr. Flashberg, Pres: Bill Hansen



Above: Jihan Myers, Starr Long, John Newman, Ern Radley, and Chris Sbaratta look like they're having too much fun during a Model UN meeting. Could they be discussing more than just world problems?

An Artistic Flare

Art appreciation is jam packed into the halls of C H S. Students are letting their talents take flight. The advisors of the **Art Club**, **Art Honor Society**, **Prologue**, **Tri-M Music Honor Society**, and **Commercial and Graphic Arts** are giving the students the chance to study the type of art they they are interested in, whether it is visual, musical, or poetic. Not only do the students enhance their own talents, but they also share them with others. Cranford High is one lucky place to have so much talent.

The holidays are a perfect time for the **Art Club** and **Art Honor Society** to spread cheer. To spook the spirit of Cranford High the Art Club fired up its oven to bake and decorate delicious Halloween cookies. The annual face painting fiesta also gave everyone quite a scare. For Christmas, you could hear Santa's bells when the candy cane

reindeer sale began. To celebrate the holiday season, the Art Honor Society made perfect gifts for everyone - candles. Not only do these organizations bring beauty and joy to the halls of C H S, but also to special charity events. The students used their talents this year to make posters for the race to benefit the children of Robert Wood Johnson Memorial Hospital.

The **Prologue** team of 1996-'97 led by Mr. Kuntz, brings a great deal of reading enjoyment our way. The greatly talented young men and women that make up the staff are truly gifted. The radiant photographs which are spread throughout the magazine leave the readers in awe. We thank them for sharing their superb talents with us and showcasing the works of other talented writers in the building.

The members of the **Tri-M Music Honor Society** are gifted

musicians. They enjoy spending their free time studying great works of music and expanding their musical skills. Tri-M is new club brought to the attention of C H S by advisor Mrs. Helmke. Small wind, string, and brass ensembles within the club share their talents with the rest of the town of Cranford. Especially during the holiday season when they performed, along with Madrigals, for the Cranford House Tour.

Do you know where those magnificent signs and banners come from that advertise the plays, musicals, and other school events? Look no further! They are the result of the creators who are the members of the **Commercial and Graphic Arts Club**. Without these talented students the C H S performers would be lost.



Above: Art Honor Society members Nicole Virgilio, Diana Capece, and Michelle Zemlansky, are painting candles for the up coming Christmas holiday. The girls were busy discussing which colors looked best, and they turned out great!



Above: Vice President of Art Club, Janis Acampora, is getting everyone psyched to create the candy cane reindeers. During the week before the big winter vacation, the Art Club put C H S into the holiday spirit.



Above: Junior Nicole Virgilio, takes pleasure from a few of her favorite tunes. Later that day, Nicole took some time out of her day to practice with her Madrigal pals.



ART CLUB
Advisor: Dr. J. Harris Pres. M. Malko



ART HONOR SOCIETY
Advisor: Dr. J. Harris Pres. R. Shackell



COMMERCIAL AND GRAPHIC ARTS CLUB
Advisor: D. Cudworth Pres. R. Shackell



Above: Junior, Kelly Bramwell, is all smiles as she is collaborating with her Prologue pals, juniors Chris Sbaratta and Joann DiFabio, about her new story idea. The group's work came out great and they had plenty of laughs doing it.



PROLOGUE
Advisor: N. Kuntz



TRI-M MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY
Advisor: L. Helmke



Above: Shh . . . Seniors, Eric Dale and Rich Shackell, are being very secretive about their latest Commercial and Graphic Arts project. Later, advisor Mrs. Cudworth pried it away from them and was extremely pleased with their success.

“The world is a canvas for all to express their imagination.”

Art Club Pres. and V.P.
Mendy Malko (11)
and Janis Acampora (11)

“Creating, listening, playing, and singing music are four of my favorite activities. Tri-M gives me the opportunity to explore these activities even further.”

Daina Lieberman (12)

The Wild Is Out

Not only is the wild outside but a few teachers have brought the wild to CHS Clubs. **Rod and Reel**, **Outdoor Education**, and the **Reptile Club** have brought the roar into the Cougars. Mr. Ron Pizzi brings the pleasure of fishing to a few of CHS students. Senior Beau Macksoud, enjoys going on weekend excursions with Mr. Pizzi and his other fishing pals. The members of the club have also learned many new things, such as different types of knots and baits. All of these members say **Rod and Reel** has given them a chance of catching their huge dream fish.

Mr. Burk and Mr. Cassidy are the advisors of the **Outdoor Education Club**. Not only do they enjoy the "Great Outdoors", but so do the members. Senior Rich Shackell has been a part of the **Outdoor Education Club** since his freshmen year. Rich said that he "has learned many new facts about the outdoors of New Jersey over the past four years." The club took many educational and extremely fun trips throughout the year such as a canoe trip through the Pine Barrens, a hike on the Appalachian Trail and the Great Swamp.

The **Reptile Club** is certainly one that brings out the snakes in CHS. Mr. Brown is the advisor of the **Reptile Club**, and he obviously enjoys his slithery friends (and we don't mean the members). The members of the club head down to Mr. Brown's room to feed the scaly amphibians. These creatures are enjoyed by each of the members while others wonder why? But Junior Jamie Radakovitch says that "I truly love all animals... especially snakes and more."



Above: Freshmen Jonathon Ellis sure seems to be enjoying the company of his slithery friend. During the meetings the club members clean each of the reptiles' homes.



ROD AND REEL

Advisor: Mr. R. Pizzi Pres. C. Macksoud

"This year's theme of "Family Relationships" has opened the doors to great classics and has taught me more about my own family."

Konika Paul (11)

"I want to give students the opportunity to explore the florafauna geology of NJ and have fun doing it."

Mr. Burk
(Advisor of Outdoor Education)



Above: Junior Michelle Nick is just about ready to reel in her big catch. Later Michelle thanked Mr. Pizzi for the fun trip to Sandy Hook.



OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Advisors: Mr. H. Burk and Mr. J. Cassidy Pres. R. Shackell



REPTILE CLUB

Advisor: Mr. C. Brown Pres. M. Perez

Preserving The Classics

The classics cannot just be found in Blockbuster and Barnes and Noble, but in a few clubs at CHS. The physical act of creating beauty is preserved by the **Photography Club** advised by Dr. Smith. Classic works of art are enjoyed by the **Literary Society** advised by Ms. Dachnowicz. Great women of history are studied and discussed by the **Visible Woman Club**, also advised by Ms. Dachnowicz. All of these clubs do a large amount to fill the students of CHS with classical knowledge.

"Strike a pose," says **Photography Club** Vice-President **Iley Gregory**. Not only does the club study different types of pictures, but the members also take many pictures for the yearbook. The members do not have to be amazing

photographers, such as advisor **Dr. Jay Smith**, but they can just be interested in taking pictures. The club has gone on canoe trips and has taken trips to New York. On each of these trips, the club studied others' pictures and took their own. Photos can get expensive so the club had a candy fundraiser in November.

The **Literary Society** is filled with members who yearn to read and study classic literature. The **Literary Society** has a theme this year called "Family Relationships." At meetings, every other Tuesday morning, the **Literary Society** explored short stories and novels as well as shared their own personal experiences. This year's theme was being used to better understand their own families and love them more. The

members enjoyed the annual holiday social at Ms. Dachnowicz's house and their spring trip to Greenwich Village.

Visible Woman is a club which is made up of the women of CHS who enjoy learning about the history of women and women's issues. The theme of this year was "Examining the Effect of School On Women." The club was looking to answer their question of why women lose their self-esteem during high school. The **Visible Woman Club** joined **Literary Society** at the annual holiday social at Ms. Dachnowicz's house. Yet, not only are students interested in the club and the theme of this year, but Ms. Puma and Ms. Connelly are also members of the club and enjoy the learning experience.



VISIBLE WOMAN

Advisor: Ms. E. Dachnowicz Pres. J. Jediny



Above: The members of the Visible Woman Club are getting one of their early morning discussions on its way. Senior Daina Lieberman has said that this year's theme of "Women in High School" has made quite an impact on her.



LITERARY SOCIETY

Advisor: Ms. E. Dachnowicz Pres. J. Jediny



Above: The Photography Club is capturing some great pictures on one of its many exercises. Junior Jen Devine had some excellent pictures to share with others after the trip.



PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Advisor: Dr. J. Smith Pres. A. Ellis

“The Languages Of Love”

From singing French songs to celebrating Oktoberfest, students who join in language clubs are in for culture shock! Members learn what cannot be taught in the classroom. They learn some of the many traditions and customs of different countries. Not only do language clubs promote a continuity of interest in certain cultures, but they also promote the chance of speaking another language outside of school.

The Spanish Club made pinatas to be used at Christmas and to be donated to various children's groups. Trips are planned to increase awareness of Spanish culture for the club members. They included

trips to Medieval Times, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and a Spanish restaurant.

The Spanish Honor Society is a group of students who excel in their Spanish courses and maintain either an "A" or "B" average all year long. The students are inducted into the Honor Society at a candlelight ceremony held by current members of the group.

The Latin Club is a small but very active group of Latin students. President Tara Klebaur believes that it is very interesting to see how most other languages evolved from Latin. Each year, the group has a Latin banquet, a Saturnalia party (holiday party), and take

trips to the city. Last year, the Latin Club saw "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" and had a great time.

The French Club is a large club with many members, all who share an interest in French culture. You can't miss this club, with their many fundraisers such as Ooh La La Lollipops. The members use money they earn to do such things as go to a French restaurant.

The French Honor Society is similar to the French Club but allows for only a limited amount of members. The group enjoys such activities as going to the city to see French movies or plays or having



Above: Spanish Club officers Jessica Walsh, Jill Mattis, Bonnie Goodwin, and Lauren Charne join together to discuss plans for the upcoming Christmas party. The party, which included the German and Latin clubs, turned out to be a huge success.



SPANISH CLUB

Adv: C. Crocarno; Pres: L. Charne



Above: Junior Chris Chu has an exciting time at Medieval Times. He definitely enjoyed a "knight to remember."



SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY

Adv: D. Zoppi; Pres: L. Charne



GERMAN CLUB/GERMAN HONOR SOCIETY

Adv: C. Stawnychy; Pres: T. English

socials with members creating French meals.

The German Club/German Honor Society is an assemblage of German students maintaining a high average in German. The members each must plan one activity for the club to participate in. Some upcoming events include the Medieval Times trip and building a "Fachwerhaus" village.

Although many of the language clubs are constantly in friendly competition about which language is better, they all seem to come together during the annual Language Clubs' Dinner and the Language Olympics. This is definitely one of most enthusiastic groups of students in the school and proves that learning a language can be fun.



FRENCH CLUB

Adv: S. Rivkind; Co-pres: D. Feder & J. Schweitzer



Above: Sophomores Annika Davis, Lauren Salvaggio, Robyn Schweitzer, and Devon Murray dine in French.



FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY

Adv: S. Rivkind; Co-pres: D. Feder & J. Schweitzer



LATIN CLUB

Adv: R. Howard; Pres: T. Klebaur



Above: French Club members Rosemarie Connelly, Julie Schweitzer, and Daina Lieberman take charge at one of the monthly club meetings. Secretary Ro Connelly later enforced the absence rule after noticing a poor showing of members.

"Spanish Club is fun. Making pinatas was great! El club es muy bodasioso!"

Jeff Bergin (11)

"French Club is an enjoyable experience. Not only do you get to learn the French language but also its culture. We have lots of fun together including singing Christmas carols, going on trips, and having parties, too!"

Katie Szymona (12)

Productive Minds

Clubs such as **Video and Production**, **Stage Crew**, **Wood Technology**, **Auto**, **Gourmet**, and **H.E.R.O.**, are unique because they offer the chance to physically create projects not possible in the regular classroom. Students enjoy these clubs because they provide hands on experiences in addition to the academic learning.

The **Video and Production Club**, advised by Mr. Nicholas G. Kuntz, video tapes a wide variety of shows and activities at CHS which include concerts, stage production, the Senior and Faculty Basketball Game, Caberet Night, and the Senior Awards Night. These productions are then edited into the bulletin board programming for TV-35, which the club maintains.

Members of the **Video and Production Club** are also involved in **Stage Crew**, which is directed by Mr. Nicholas G. Kuntz. This

organization constructs the sets for CHS play productions and also creates the lighting. This year, the students will be doing community fundraising to raise support for the club.

The **Autos Club**, advised Mr. Joe Leva, gives the students an opportunity to do simple maintenance procedure and repairs on automobiles. Club members learn how to perform tune-ups procedures and also discuss new technological advances in the automotive field.

Similarly members of the **Wood Technology Club** learn the techniques of woodworking and use their skills to create sets and props for the CHS theatrical production. This club allows students to work with materials that are not usually provided in the classroom.

The **Gourmet Club**, led by Mrs. Barbara Narus, meets

every two weeks and this organization allows students to experiment with different foods and recipes, and expand their knowledge in the culinary arts and food preparation.

The **H.E.R.O.** club is directed by Ms. Anne Walsky and is made up primarily of Cooperative Education students. This organization provides students with an opportunity to extend their knowledge of careers and prepares them for the economic world.



Above: These students wait patiently for their omelets to finish cooking during Gourmet Club. Unfortunately, they had to clean up the mess afterwards.



Gourmet Club

Adv: B. Narus, Pres: E. Platt/K. Kaltreider

"The Gourmet Club is a good way to meet people and enjoy good food."

Kim Kaltreider (12)

"The Video and Production Club is fun because you get to go to all of the school events and have fun videotaping them."

Alan Trzuskoski (10)



Above: Senior Victor Bursch works diligently to repair this car part. With his knowledge in auto mechanics, the job was a cinch.



Stage Crew

Adv: N. Kuntz



Auto Club

Adv: J. Leva, Pres: N. Fiorella



Video and Production Club
Adv: N. Kuntz, Pres. A. Trzuskoski



Above: Mr. Nicholas Kuntz informs Derrick Brooks and Matthew Zanes of their new assignment for video and production club. The project was a success and appeared on TV 35.



HERO
Adv: A. Walsky



Wood Technology Club
Adv: J. Chorazak



Above: Members of the Gourmet Club clear the table after enjoying a meal they had prepared. We can tell by the smiles on their faces that the food was good.

"A Little Help From Your Friends"

While many students are extremely busy with the responsibilities school puts on them, there are still those students who take time out of their hectic schedule to help others. These students find a chance to assist the community in the **Hand-in-Hand, Drug Free Youth, SEA, Costume, and Usher's Club**.

The **Hand-in-Hand Club** is a group of students devoted to helping those less fortunate than themselves. Many of their activities this year include Special Olympics, making Christmas gifts for the homeless, the March of Dimes walk, and various visits to Cranford Health and Extended Care. President Jill Mattis says she feels good about herself when she helps others and sees them smile.

Drug Free Youth is an organization which supports both teenagers who are drug-free and those who are curious about living a drug-free lifestyle. Drug Free Youth organizes many activities for its members that do not involve drugs.

Members also learn and become educated on drug and drug related issues. Some of their activities this year involve viewing the AIDS Memorial Quilt in Washington, D.C., talking to elementary children about the dangers of drugs and alcohol for Red Ribbon Week, and several Dialogue Nights.

Students for Environmental Action work together to help make the earth a cleaner place to live. They also make others more aware of the declining state of the environment. Among their many vigorous activities to save the planet, the SEA members recycle mixed papers and collect old batteries daily. They also attend a conference on environmental awareness and visit a cranberry bog. In order to purchase acres of rainforest, the club holds a T-shirt sale celebrating Earth Day. To wrap up their busy year, the club plans a trip to the Jenkinson Aquarium at Point Pleasant beach. According to Cathy Warner, all members of SEA are devoted

to the preservation of the environment.

The **Costume Club** is a group of students who help prepare the costumes for the fall play as well as the spring musical. This year the club members were busy sewing and stitching for the drama, "Don't Drink the Water," and the musical, "Godspell." With the help of the Costume Club's successful efforts, the costumes in the two productions look phenomenal, as always.

The **Ushers Club** helps make the play, musical, concert, and other major school functions a great success. By volunteering their time generously, the club members welcome visitors to the auditorium, provide them with a program for the particular event, and escort them to their seats. In addition to their involvement at these school events, the Ushers Club members plan a minimum of one theater party per year as a form of enjoyment.



Above: Freshman Ann Patrone and sophomore Alisa Becker escort these seniors to their seats at the fall production of "Don't Drink the Water." The audience not only enjoyed the talented actors, but also the Ushers' Club assistance.



USHERS' CLUB
Adv: M. Moran; Pres: M. Weiss



Above: Cathy Warner, Melissa Perez, Kathleen Conrad, and Danielle Goncalves, officers of the S.E.A. Club, have fun at a club meeting with their mascot. Later, the four planned a recycling project that turned out to be a great success.



DRUG FREE YOUTH
Adv: J. Sparno & J. Jayson; Pres: B. Fernandez



SEA (STUDENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION)
Adv: C. Vignone-Schreck; Senior Officers: K. Conrad, D. Goncalves, M. Perez, K. Szymona, C. Warner



Above: Juniors Sharon Leonard and Beth Ann Gorsky decorate Cranford Health and Extended Care for the Thanksgiving holiday. One of the residents was so touched by their kindness that he joined in helping them.



Above: Julie Kiamie and Tracey Mulvaney bring these women home-made cookies for the holidays. It took them two hours to bake these treats.



HAND-IN-HAND CLUB
Adv: K. Shaw; Pres: J. Mattis



COSTUME CLUB
Adv: A. Walsky; Pres: N. Pepe



Above: Sexy freshman Ben Moldave models this costume before his performance in "Don't Drink the Water." The Costume Club devoted many hours to finding just the right fit.

"S.E.A. is a great opportunity to meet new people and help save the environment. Anyway, where else can you frolic through cranberry bogs and meet the New Jersey Devil?"
Kathleen Conrad (12)

"We're a dynamic group of individuals who are always available when called upon for school activities. We enjoy each other's company as well."

Mrs. Moran
(Usher's Club
Advisor)

Making A Big Difference

From delivering speeches to selling yearbooks, the students in CHS are always willing to get involved. Being enthusiastic both inside and outside the classroom is a dynamic trait that students in our school exhibit.

Cranford Forensics, a team which competes against many high schools in various speaking events, promotes self-confidence, fun, and above all, improving one's ability to communicate. The team reads stories and poems, acts out scenes from plays, debates controversial issues, participates in a student congress, and writes and delivers speeches all before a judge and a small audience of other competing students.

The **National Honor Society** is a group of juniors and seniors who embody the highest ideals of scholarship, leadership,

character, and service. Not only does this group of hardworking and dedicated individuals devote much of their time to schoolwork, but each member is willing to tutor any student who needs help in an academic course.

Helping others is important to students at our school. Doing community service at the Union County food bank and Plainfield soup kitchen, responding to letters that children in Brazil write to Santa, and collecting and donating school supplies and clothes to homeless children is just a small part of what the **Interact Club** does to help others.

Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is involved in business competitions. The club, led by Mrs. McAleavey, is designed to promote interest in American business enterprise

and to assist club members in the establishment of occupational goals.

The **Yearbook Business Staff**, run by Mr. Phillips, organizes yearbook sales. The club does its organizational work before and after school and it is very common to see a Staff member in your homeroom taking yearbook orders.

Which club at CHS has the most members? Well, just check out the cafeteria once a month when **Math League** meetings are in progress! Whether it's for the challenging mathematical problems, a time to be with friends, or the free food, it seems everyone wants to be part of the fun.



Above: Math League secretary Kim Kaltreider and president Bill Hansen try to get club organized for the start of the half-hour math test. Later, the club had the chance to enjoy everyone's favorite Math League refreshments.



Forensics

Adv: J. Gottilla; Captain: L. Kardos

"There are many challenging problems at the Math League meetings and the best part is that you get free food!"
Pat Pepe (12)

"We enjoy selling yearbooks in each homeroom and also doing organizational work before and after school."
Troy Malko (12)



Above: Freshman William Humphries delivers a speech aloud. That Saturday, he used the speech in a Forensics competition and did very well.



National Honor Society

Adv: K. Bailin, Pres: J. Newman



Interact

Adv: E. Traynor & K. Ellenberg; Pres: J. Lee



Math League

Adv: H. Burk & C. Fedoryk; Pres: W. Hansen



Above: Sophomores Diana D'Amico, Lauren Stanley, and Annika Davis help Cheryl Jacko send her favorite cast member of "Don't Drink the Water" a "candygram." The members of the Interact Club later used the funds raised by the sale to help children in Brazil.



FBLA

Adv: J. McAleavey



Yearbook Business Staff

Adv: R. Phillips



Above: Math League seniors anxiously await October's math test. Later, they were all excited to learn that they had each gotten at least one problem correct.



Below: **HITCHIN' A RIDE**. Linda Pentland, Adam Reinhard, Matt Walsh, and Chris Arce are waiting to be picked up to attend their Vo-Tech assignments. We hope they weren't late!



Above: **"WE'RE WITH THE BAND."** The flag squad of the Band Front waits to finish their early morning practice. By working hard to perfect their routines, these students helped to make the half-time show a success.

Left: **SWEET SOUNDS**. Sophomore Evan Glien belts out notes on his trumpet at a Saturday football game. Evan's musical talent is an important contribution to both the marching and concert bands.

Imagine...
the Opportunity

In addition to the many clubs available at CHS, there are scholastic activities that CHS students can take full advantage of. Musically inclined students hone their skills in classes such as Chorus, Band, and Orchestra, while those interested in improving the school choose to partake in Student Government. Some students dive into the "real world" by participating in the Vo-Tech and Co-op programs, and still others work tirelessly to meet deadlines in school publications like Spotlight and the Golden C. Whatever the academic activity might be, students allow their imaginations to soar as they help to make our high school a productive and enjoyable atmosphere.

By: Erica Platt



ACADEMICS

Below: The 1997 Concert Choir stands in relief as they finish the number "Cantante Domino" at the winter concert.

Below: The 1997 Girls' Choir are proudly recognized and receive a standing ovation for performing "Fascinatin' Rhythm."



Above: The 1997 Orchestra is prepared to perform "Hallelujah" with all the choirs at the winter concert.

Right: Freshman Lisa Kardos holds her string instrument before practicing for the spring concert. Lisa was happy to be a part of the orchestra as a freshman.





Left: The 1997 Madrigals wait to perform "In These Delightful Pleasant Groves" at the winter concert. The Madrigals performed this number in the competition in Myrtle Beach.

Below: The 1997 Boys' Choir stands before they perform "Coney Island Baby."



Choir And Orchestra

Put a song in our hearts.



Sweet voices singing in unison, joyful music and thunderous applause all made this year's winter concert a positive and confidence-building experience for the various choral groups and the orchestra. Throughout their performances, the vocal talents of the choirs shone as they sang their hearts out to the melodic verses of the orchestra.

In preparation for the big show, all these groups have practiced endlessly throughout the year, under the direction of Mrs. Linda Helmke. The Boys' and Girls' Choirs, which were beginners' ensembles, performed both in the winter and spring concerts. These two groups developed their skills in preparation to one day join Concert Choir. The Concert Choir was comprised of both female and male singers. This group was chosen by audition and performed at the winter and spring concerts as well as the graduation commencement.



The Madrigals, a select group of seven girls and six guys, also performed in the winter and spring concerts and holiday bazaars and at nursing homes and other special ceremonies throughout the year. Both the Concert Choir and Madrigals had high hopes for their competition at Myrtle Beach in South Carolina in April and succeeded in their attempt to out sing other choirs.

The Orchestra, directed by Mrs. Lynn Berry, also attended the competition in Myrtle Beach and played proudly and successfully. This group was comprised of talented and dedicated students who lent their musical talents to the spring and winter concerts as well as other special performance sessions.

Each of these talented groups enriches Cranford High School. Without their special creative gifts and musical contributions, we would all be missing out and our lives would be less full.

Below: Junior Aaron Wright wigs out with this senior band and band front friends Beau Macksoud, Todd Mariano, Jill Redlund, and Adrienne Furino. All five played some great tunes during the halftime show during the game against Kearny.

Below: Sophomores Becky Taylor, Alexis Wolf, and JoAnne DeVito take a rest from their music. The three ladies decided "Lady Bonita" was their favorite song after the show.



Above: As the band plays on, senior Brian Caldwell executes his devious plan and cracks junior Scot McKay across the head. Luckily, Scot only received a slight concussion.

Right: Senior Drum Major Pete Lyons conducts the band with a certain flair that you just don't see everyday. Pete had the honor of being Co-Drum Major with junior Kim Wolters this year.



Left: Junior Aaron Wright toots his own horn. Aaron has been playing his horn since he was knee high to a grasshopper.

Right: These band members stand tall and proud. On this day, the band played beautiful, awe inspiring set at the halftime break.



PLAYING IN THE BAND

CHS Band Members Play It Loud.

As the Cranford High School Band completes another year of marching, practice, and concerts, they realize how fun band really is. Under the masterful direction of Gerson Horowitz, the Cranford High School Band has flourished into one of the largest programs sponsored by the school. The band, however, is more than that. It provides a chance for many students to enjoy not only a fun first period, but also to play their beloved instruments. As senior Beau Macksoud explains, "Band is the most important thing in my life. I love to play my instrument for hours. Sometimes I just pick it up and dream about band the next day. Well, it is my favorite class!"

The band does the most fundraising in the school. From their cheese and candy sales to booster stickers, to subsales and raffle tickets, you're always sure to see someone trying to sell something. The Spring band trip is completely funded by these sales which



makes the trip so much more meaningful to all of the members.

Besides the band members themselves, the band front is an integral part of the band. They lead the band onto the field and entertain their audience with flair and precision. Band is probably the only class that have for four years in a row. This allows Mr. Horowitz the opportunity to develop a special bond with his students. Todd Mariano, an avid band member, says "Mr. Horowitz is my favorite teacher. It's just something about his masterful movements and his musical insight that just drives me to practice more."

Band is a fun experience—from the frigid football games and the awesome band trip to Williamsburg, to the heartfelt sorrow of the final concert, band is important to student body. As senior Tom (LOGO) Loguidice recalls, "I came in as a saxophone player, I left as a musician."

Above: Rob Schultz lends a helping hand to one of his students. The two combined their knowledge to write up a great story.



Below: Mrs. Walsky's Co-op class takes a moment for the camera. One period later, they went off to enter the workplace.



Above: Janelle Mothersill explains a lesson to a group of students. When the huddle broke, they returned to their seats and started on classwork.



Right: Monique Brown watches as a student finishes up some work. When the student received an excellent grade, Monique felt good that she had helped her Hillside Avenue pupil.



Left: Linda Pentland is hard at work on her project at VoTech. She finally finished and felt proud that she received an "A".

Below: This group of VoTech students is ready to begin the school day. After expanding their minds that morning, they increased their knowledge that afternoon during their regular classes at CHS.



AHEAD OF THE GAME

Students have insight into their futures.



Are you fed up with sitting in school for eight periods a day and want to experience more in the world? Well some juniors and seniors decided to do just that this year and got a jump-start on their future careers by joining the unique Co-op and VoTech programs offered by the high school. Both of these programs expand students' knowledge of a particular field while helping them earn money. Senior Sue Matz loves the program and believes that "Being a teacher's aide at Bloomingdale School helps me prepare to be an elementary school teacher someday."

Co-op, or Cooperative Education, is a transitional period between the students' education and their workplace. It helps them obtain skills and earn money while learning about their careers as well as those of their classmates. Co-op



is divided into two sections which include the Business section, which involves secretarial and office work, and the Home Economics section which includes teacher aides, restaurant workers and day care center aides. Senior Tinika Curtis believes that "Co-op makes the day go by faster, and I love the children at the Cranford Child Care Center where I work."

If being involved in Co-op doesn't float your boat, then you can always try going to VoTech for a couple of periods a day. Vocational Technical School is located in Scotch Plains and provides students with hands-on work related to their fields. The work there ranges from sewing to nursing, and from auto mechanics to electronics. It's a lot of hard work but it's fun at the same time. Just imagine the possibilities!

Below; Kathleen Coakley, Jilian Myers, Lisa Cavicchioli, and Kelly Murphy help distribute cookies and sing carols at Cranford Health and Extended Care.



Below: Seniors Pete Lyons, Adrienne Furino, and John Celock pose with Mr. Kiamie during the Thanksgiving Food Drive. The food drive was a big success this year.



Above: The 1997 Student Government and their advisors are proud of all they have accomplished this year.

Right: Student Government President, John Celock, helps out the poster committee to make announcements to the student body.





Left: Student Government advisors Mr. Charlie Kiamie and Ms. Carolyn LaCorte, along with Dr. Saul Zucker, take a break from an exhausting meeting.

Below: Senior Stephanie Glien sells a red ribbon to her friend Erika Quintana for AIDS Awareness Week. They were both very excited to be supporting the event.



CHANGES ENHANCE SCHOOL

Student Government focuses on improvement.

The **Student Government** is a community service organization formed to foster better relations between students, administration and faculty. Whether they are encouraging school spirit by hosting Spirit Week and the Halloween Costume Contest or helping the less fortunate with their annual Thanksgiving Food Drive, these students are always on the move to do something positive. This year, the exceptional group pulled off one of the most successful Fund-raisers ever, the AIDS awareness ribbon sale. Along with their advisors, Mr. Charlie Kiamie and Ms. Carolyn La Corte, the officers, President John Celock, First Vice President Adrienne Furino, Second Vice President Jim D'Arcy, Secretary Pete Lyons, Treasurer Diana Capece, Parliamentarian Chris Feintheil, and Historian Lisa Levikoff, met frequently with twenty senators (five per grade) to keep things running smoothly.

The Thanksgiving Food Drive was very successful. Student Government donated twenty large containers of food and \$160 to buy turkeys. The AIDS Awareness ribbon sale was also one of the most successful ever. They also looked forward to a successful Carnation Sale, Blood Drive, and Vote of Registration following such well-received events.

The Student Government is also

involved with the student body. One of the ways is through committees. The committees are Appearance Enhancement, Cafeteria Advisory Board, Poster Committee, Juke Box Committee, Newsletter Committee, and President's Task Force. The students also need to communicate to the Board of Education, so Dr. Saul Zucker acts as the liaison between the Student Government and the Board of Education. Student Government member, Patrick Maher, supports all of these improvements and believes that "Student Government allows the students to have a say in the high school's activities and events, and it is responsible for many of the changes and accomplishments that occurred during the year."

Last but not least Student Government President John Celock exclaims, "President John F. Kennedy said, 'That the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans.' Looking back on all of the activities that the Student Government has sponsored, it is evident that each member of Student Government has picked up that torch. Student Government could not have succeeded without the support of the entire student body. As graduation approaches, we wish our best to the Class of 1997."



Below: Jesus and Tommy prepare some mouth watering french toast. Who knows, maybe someday they'll be famous chefs.



Below: Jose fires up the griddle to make his world famous sausage. This dish was definitely a favorite among the teachers.



RISING TO THE CHALLENGE

Special Education students take on a full menu

Ms. LaCorte's special education class at Cranford High School is made up of students with special needs but also with special talents and goals. This class is extremely involved in the school and its activities, but they also participate in a lot of their own programs. Some of these programs include the weekly teacher luncheon, the Special Olympics, computer activities, and other exciting class trips to places such as the Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center.

Other students at the high school are anxious to work with these students and their projects. "This year I was a teacher's student aide for Ms. LaCorte. I had a lot of fun working with the kids and the

highlight was definitely when I taught one of the students to write a business letter to apply for a job", explains senior Michelle Foulds. "I can truly say that I learned as much from them as they did from me. I wish the kids all the best in the years to come."

Seniors Ryan Hamilton and Jesus Rosado are especially excited about their graduation from high school this year. "I'm very excited about graduating. After I do, I plan to work and help my mom out a lot," says Ryan. All of these students deserve a lot of credit for the accomplishments they have achieved and rewarded for their determination.



Above: Ryan Hamilton sets the table in anticipation of the Thursday afternoon teacher luncheon. This was Ryan's last year here but he will always be remembered as one of Cranford's finest.

HEADLINES AND DEADLINES

Technology allows staffs to modernize publications.



The yearbook's *Golden C* staff and the newspaper's *Spotlight* staff are becoming techno wizards this year as they work to propel their publications into the 21st century. Both staffs use the computer and programs such as Pagemaker to not only design layouts but also process and edit their stories.

The 26 person yearbook staff worked very hard with the "Imagine" theme this year. The Introduction to Publications class also helped edit and proof needed pages. Advised by Ms. Jennifer Hilborn, the staff completed over 192 intricate pages, many of which were finished on computer.

The *Spotlight* staff, advised by Ms. Carol Sobers, and Mr. Pat LaMorte, has also started designing things over on computer disc. The staff has changed the flag on the paper and also changed the four column layout to a five column layout. This year's staff is bigger than ever before, and includes 8 editors and approximately 20 reporters from various grades. They received help from the Introduction to Publications class as well, but there was no journalism class this year so much of the design and layout was done before and after school.

The yearbook and newspaper staffs have both been striving for change as well as excellence. The appearance of both the yearbook and newspaper has been altered as both staffs have attempted to create new and better publications.

Above: The Yearbook staff poses for a group shot after he assembly at which they danced to sell yearbooks, just "imagine" the fun they had rehearsing "with a little help from friends."



Left: *Golden C* People Editor and Co-*Spotlight* Editor-in-Chief, John Celock, grabs ahold of Lauren Porter's hand. John's secret dream is to audition to be one of the Rockettes... or maybe president of the United States.

Above: The *Spotlight* staff spares a minute from their heavy writing to smile for the camera with their first edition in hand. Ms. Sobers and Mr. LaMorte's computer changes really had a positive impact on the publication.



Below: **READY TO POUNCE.** Junior Rebecca Severs is concentrating on returning her opponent's serve. She went on to win her match in straight sets.



Above: **SAVING THE DAY.** Senior goalkeeper Paul Whitehurst looks to pass the ball to one of his teammates. Paul had a successful season in goal, recording an impressive number of saves.

Left: **GETTING PSYCHED!** Kelly Farrell, Erika Quintana and Kerry Bender get ready to slap their teammates' hands during warm-up. These three seniors helped to lead the field hockey team to a successful season.

Imagine...
the triumph

Beating the opposing team, setting a school record, scoring the winning goal . . . these are things achieved by CHS teams and athletes every day. Cranford High School athletic teams have made a name for themselves because of their team spirit, determination, and tireless efforts to achieve perfection. Various CHS sports teams, ranging from Ice Hockey to Gymnastics, have discovered the rewards that athletics bring. Cougar athletes have learned that sports develop much more than a healthy body. Sports provide us with an opportunity to work with others as a team, excel individually, and form lasting friendships. Many CHS students cannot even imagine what life would be like without the thrill of competition, the glory of winning, the lessons learned from defeat, and the pride of being a Cougar athlete.

By: Caren Demyen
and
Julie Schweitzer



SPORTS

Right: TEAM TOGETHERNESS. Seniors Jill Redlund, Erica Platt, Christine Cavicchioli, Kim Kaltreider, Jen Sands, and Amy Matz never pass up an opportunity to be together. Throughout the season these six led the team with their enthusiasm.

Below: SURVEYING THE FIELD. Jill Redlund gives a quick glance before passing the ball down the line for a "boomer". Jill finished the season with a career high eight goals.



Above: Top left: Coach Marc Best, A. Matz, N. Virgillio, R. Stempniewicz, K. Kaltreider, B. Dittmar, J. Sands, J. Redlund, S. Long, C. Cavicchioli, Coach Ron Pizzi, Coach Ian McKay. Second row: B. Collello, E. Garrity, K. Hribar, A. Borges, D. Murray, J. Meyers, M. Redlund, S. Morano, S. Murray. Third Row: M. Dollard, R. Harley, L. Zuravnsky, C. Bender, E. Platt, C. Schmitt, L. Cavicchioli.



Above: TIME OUT. Starr Long, Christine Cavicchioli, and Amie Borges take a well deserved break during a game against Kearny. Cranford went on to win the game 7-0.

Foot Loose

Getting their kicks in '96.

Despite a slow start, the Girls' Soccer team was able to overcome many obstacles this season that would normally rip a team apart and segregate them. The team got off to a troubling 1-3 start before winning eight games in a row. However, the players attribute their success to the great fan support. Senior sweeper Kim Kaltreider believes that the team "had a rough start, and didn't even

have a field to play on, but I think all the problems brought us closer as a team."

Many of the players find that that the most memorable game of the season was the night game against Union. "We had only beaten them 4-3 in overtime in the first game we had played against them, so to come out and win 7-0 was a huge victory, especially in front of all our fans," said sophomore De-

von Murray.

Unfortunately, the winning streak ended when the team suffered a heartbreaking loss to Governor Livingston in the Union County Tournament. However, the team was able to take that loss and use it to make them stronger for the state tournament. They finished up the season with an impressive 12-5 record.



Above: ON THE MOVE. Erica Platt leaves the defender in her dust. Erica controlled the midfield this season from her position at defensive center halfback.

Left: BREAK ON THROUGH. Jen Sands evades a defender on her way to making a pass. Jen led and controlled the attack from her offensive center midfield position.



Above: ON THE RUN. Kim Kaltreider is in deep concentration while trapping a ball. Although this was Kim's fourth varsity season, it was her first year playing sweeper.

Right: TAKING A BREAK. Amy Matz pauses to get a drink during a game against Union. Amy came off a tough injury to help the team reach a 12-5 record.



COUGAR'S SCORE

OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE

Opponent	W/L-Score
Union Catholic	L (4-2)
Linden	W (8-0)
Westfield	L (4-0)
Scotch Plains	L (2-0)
Kerr Place	W (6-1)
Kearny	W (7-0)
Union	W (4-3)
Rahway	W (2-0)
Elizabeth	W (5-0)
Rahway (UCT)	W (5-1)
Union	W (7-0)
Irlington	W (8-0)
Governor Livingston (UCT)	L (2-1)
Oak Knoll	W (3-1)
Roselle Catholic	W (5-0)
Parsippany Hills (Stats)	W (3-1)
Roxbury (Stats)	L (4-1)

GOING THE DISTANCE

Cross country athletes are sustained by stamina.

The Cross Country team definitely knows how to make the best out of a practice. Last summer they had the opportunity to go down to Belmar to practice running on the beach. As a result of the number of returning players this year, the team was in shape long before the

school year even began.

The defending Watchung Conference Champs were led by seniors Dan Bryer, Tom LoGiudice, Beau Macksoud, John Celock, Tracy Swackhamer, Diane Hickey, Jen Zehnder and Rosemarie Connelly. Among the teams defeated this year were Sha-

bazz, Rahway and Union Catholic. When asked to recall a fond memory from this past season, John Celock said, "The Watchung Conference meet stands out in my mind because we all tried hard and we all had a lot of fun."



Above: DETERMINATION! Conor Leddy keeps a watchful eye on the land ahead. Conor was one of the outstanding freshmen this year.

Right: WORKING TOGETHER! John Osaben and Mike Rogers motivate each other to keep going. The two boys were side by side all the way to the finish line.



Above: FUN AT THE FIELD! Members of the Girls Cross Country Team take a break from warming up to show their unity. The whole team painted their faces at this Watchung Conference Championship.

COUGAR'S SCORE

Student Athlete	Time	Event
Tracy Swackhamer	21:00 min.	5K
Rosemarie Connelly	22:22 min.	5K
Dan Bryer	18:16 min.	5K
Beau Macksoud	18:19 min.	5K



Above: IN STRIDE! Senior Tracy Swackhamer focuses on keeping pace. Tracy was a captain of the Girls Cross Country Team this year.

Below: UNITED WE STAND! Cougar runners John Taner, Evan Glien, Mike Rogers, Kevin Fontana and Rich Noble wait anxiously for the starting gun in the Watchung Conference meet. The team placed fourth this year.

Below: AGAINST THE WIND! Determination shines on Senior Dan Bryer's face as he runs with all his might. Dan finished the season making Second Team All County.



Above: RUN LOGO RUN! Senior Tom LoGiudice eyes the finish line as he races ahead of a Scotch Plains-Fanwood runner. Tom has been a key runner for the Cougars all four years of high school.

Above: PICTURE PERFECT! Sophomore Megan Zambell concentrates to make it to the finish line. She was the defending Watchung Conference Champ and one of the top runners this year.

Above: ON THE RUN! Seniors Ro Connelly and Diane Hickey share a laugh as they trample over the leaves. These best friends have been running track since freshmen year.

Right: GOAL THIRSTY. Senior captain Chris Sands is taking one of his many shots on goal. Chris led the team in total points with five goals and five assists.

Below: ON THE RUN. Junior striker Joe McComb show his hustle and determination to be the first to the ball. Joe was a key player chipping in with four goals.



Above: Bottom Row: Rob Hubbach, Chris Sands, Eric Ferreria, Devin Klebaur, Paul Whitehurst, Scott Van De Water, Kevin Feeley, Pat Mamrak. Top Row: Coach Paul Brown, Rob Sands, Brian Harley, Dave Heuer, Chris Flamini, Joe McComb, Pietro Somma, Pat Burke, Anthony Dilorio, Coach Jeff Daugherty, Head Coach Bill Ray.

Above: STRIKING THE BALL. Senior captain Paul Whitehurst is clearing the ball back up to the offense. Paul showed off his skills this year by being one of the top keepers in the county.

Just For Kicks

Boys' soccer finishes with a flurry.

The boys' varsity soccer team started off the year at a disadvantage because head coach Bill Ray was absent. However, JV coach Paul Brown stepped in, helped the Cougars regroup, and got them off to a promising start. "The boys' faced adversity over the summer because coach Ray was not available, but the seniors really got the team together and met the challenge," said Coach Brown.

"The team stuck together and it showed when they went to the county semi-finals," said senior Paul Whitehurst. However, the team did end up suffering the worst loss of the year with a 1-0 overtime lose to Westfield in the semi-finals. "The kids put out everything they had, but unfortunately the breaks didn't go their way," said assistant coach Jeff Daugherty.

The boys' team had definite

rivals and this year, they achieved some major wins against tough teams such as Johnson Regional, Elizabeth, and Union Catholic. "The boys' came off a bad year last year, but they rebounded this year and became the first team in five years to make it to the Union County Tournament semi-finals," said head coach Bill Ray. Obviously, hard work does pay off!



Above: STAYING ON THE BALL. Junior Kevin Feeley displays his ball movement ability on the field. Kevin was a key defensive player, but still helped out on the offense with his three goals.

Left: WINNING IS EVERYTHING. Senior tri-captains Paul Whitehurst, Chris Sands, and Eric Ferreria stand proudly with Coach Ray after an important victory. These three seniors helped lead the Cougars to the Union County semi-final game.



Above: SLICING THROUGH. Junior midfielder Anthony Dilorio keeps his eye towards the goal. Anthony later went on to assist on goal during this game.

Right: KEEPING EYE CONTACT. Senior captain Eric Ferreria shows how he is always looking to distribute the ball to his fellow teammates. Eric lead the Cougars this year with a team high seven goals.



COUGAR'S SCORE	
OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE	
Opponent	W/L Score
J.F.K. (Selin)	L 2-1
Linden	W 8-0
Union Catholic	L 2-1
Westfield	L 3-0
Scotch Plains	L 3-1
New Providence	W 3-1
Kearny	L 5-2
Rahway	L 1-0
Linden	W 6-1
Elizabeth	W 3-2
Union	L 2-1
Union Catholic (UCT)	W 2-1
Lyngton	L 2-0
Johnson Reg. (UCT)	W 2-1
Plainfield	L 1-0
Westfield (UCT)	L 1-0

LOVING

IT!

Players go beyond determination and reach for success.

Senior co-captain, Amy Oriscello, is very positive and upbeat. She faced this season with hope that she and her team could accomplish all of the goals they had set for themselves early in the season. "We played very well this year considering how tough our competition was", she concluded at the season's end.

Although the team was composed of only two seniors, Oriscello and Lieberman, the girls' squad did an outstanding job and held their own against many tough teams. Their most rewarding win, according to co-captain Daina Lieberman, was against the fierce Nutley squad. Daina said that, "this victory was incredibly inspiring for all the girls and it motivated

the whole team for the rest of the season."

Obviously, this year's squad was a very aggressive, determined bunch. The "love of the game" gave them the endurance to tough out their schedule, and each day of practice! Finishing the season with a 12-8 record, this team definitely deserves the respect they have earned.



Above: **ALL SMILES.** Senior Amy Oriscello is grinning after a good win. As Captain, Oriscello always kept her spirits up and encouraged the rest of the squad.



Right: **SMASH HIT!** Junior Julie Kiamie returns a serve with great skill. As a younger varsity player, Julie had a great job stepping up this year.



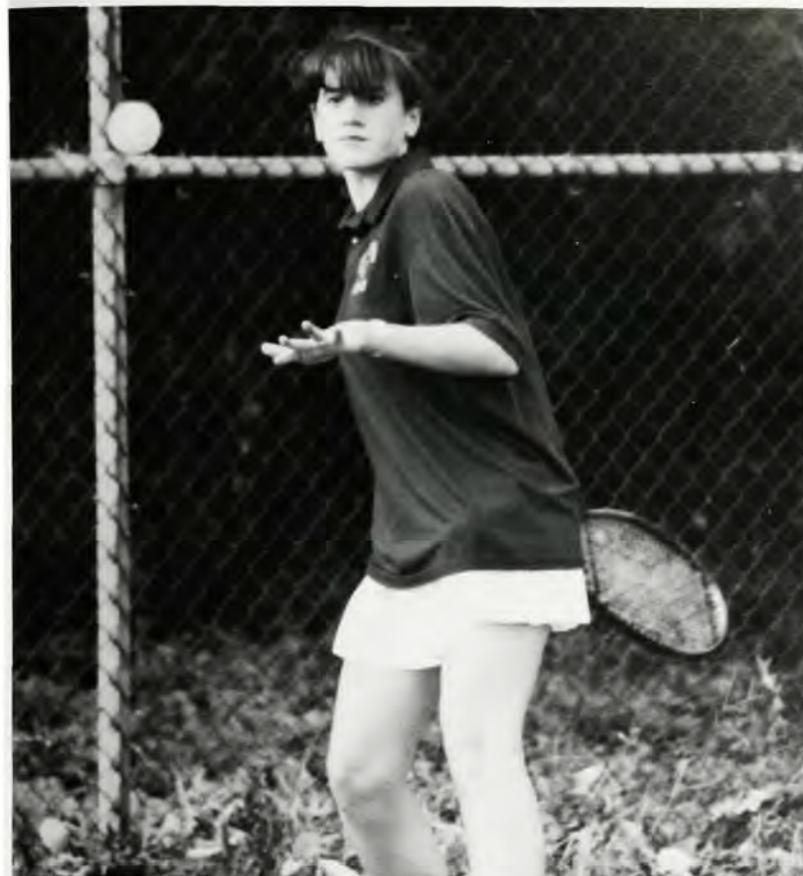
Above: **Top Row Left:** D. Capece; K. Bramwell; M. Goodgold; R. Severs; **Bottom Row Left:** J. Kiamie, E. Opacity; C. Polidoro; C. Blake; A. Oriscello; D. Lieberman; A. Becker. Not Pictured: L. Lavikoff

COUGAR'S SCORE		
OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE		
Opponent	W/L	Score
Roselle Park	L	5-0
Metuchen	L	3-2
Scotch Plains	L	5-0
Union Catholic	W	4-1
Shabazz	W	3-0
Rahway	W	4-1
Westfield	L	4 1/2-1/2
Scotch Plains	L	5-0
Elizabeth	W	5-0
Union Catholic	W	3 1/2-1 1/2
Shabazz	W	4-1
Nutley	W	2-0
East Side	W	5-0
Rahway	W	4-1
Westfield	L	5-0
Scotch Plains	L	5-0
Union	L	3-2
Kearney	W	3-2
Plainfield	W	3-2
Irvington	W	5-0



Above: **ALL IN HER HEAD.** Taking a deep breath, Caroline Blake prepares to smash a shot back at her opponent. As a junior, Caroline proved to be a strong contributor to the team's success.

Below: POWER SHOT! Junior Rebecca Severs strikes another shot at her opponent with great strength. Rebecca played in the second singles slot this year.



Below: ALL WITH EASE. Co-captain, Daina Lieberman gracefully strokes a serve at her competition. Daina played alongside Caroline Blake this season as a second doubles pair.



Above: CHEERFUL OUTLOOK. Junior Diane Capece keeps a smile on her face at all times for the good of the team. Capece helped lead the team as a first doubles player this year.



Above: SENIOR DUO. Co-captains Daina Lieberman and Amy Oriscello cherish the remaining time they have left in the season. The two have played tennis all four years of high school together.



Above: INTENSITY! Junior Kelly Bramwell concentrates intensely on the ball as she returns a serve. Kelly helped the team this year with her excellent determination and dedication in all the matches.

Cougar cheerleaders are . . .

BURSTING WITH PRIDE

Are athletes and teams really motivated to win by cheering coming from the stands? Of course they are. Could the Yankees have done so well on their home turf this season if it wasn't for all the screaming fans pushing them to the World Series Victory? Probably not. Without the vocal support, athletes might not push themselves to achieve excellence - that is why the fall cheerleading team is so vital!

The fall squad which was lead this year by co-captains Danielle Gon-

calves and Marla Cohen, trained almost everyday and later attended all the soccer, field hockey, and football games in September, October, and November to give the teams a needed boost. Throughout the season, the girls decorated the halls, stands, and locker rooms to show their enthusiasm to every team.

This excitement was well expressed and appreciated by all the athletes. In the end, this squad did motivate many of the fall teams to victory!



Above: GO COUGARS! Senior Danielle Goncalves and junior Dawn DeLaFuenta wait for the football players to break through before the second half. The banner was made before the game to give the team extra support.

Right: STRIKE A POSE. Sophomore Lauren Salvaggio waits for the Cougars to score another touchdown. Her enthusiasm helped them to win another victory.



Above: MAKE A PYRAMID. Melissa Hildeman, Cathy Reilly, and Danielle Goncalves are holding Dawn DeLafuente high above their heads to finish a cheer. These girls obviously had strength and ability to get to these great heights.



Right: READY, OKAY. Junior JennieLee Smith takes a charge to start an uproar from the crowd. Her positive attitude helped the overall excitement from the fans.



Above: Top Row Left: L. Johnson, D. DeLaFuenta, J. Raftree, B. Decker, M. Hildeman **Middle:** J. Decker, J. Smith, C. Reilly **Bottom:** M. Cohen, D. Goncalves

WE'VE GOT SPIRIT

The 1997 winter squad has successfully completed another season where they supported each and every sports team. Combining spirit and team effort, the cheerleading squad united to maintain a strong CHS cheerleading tradition.

Seniors co-captains Marla Cohen and Danielle Goncalves led the winter squad to fulfill their goals of an enjoyable and exciting season. Danielle stated, "It was our last

season together and Marla and I worked hard to make a great squad. We think we succeeded!"

The cheerleaders made their appearances at the Varsity Boys' and Girls' Basketball games, and were matmates at the Varsity Wrestling matches as well.

This year, their advisor, Mrs. Toth, particularly praised the ladies for their devoted support.



Left: REACHING FOR THE STARS. Justine Raftree, Lauren Johnson, and Lori Prodeline practice lifting Shannon Pastor before cheering for an intense wrestling match. These girls have performed this lift at many Cougar events during the winter.

Above: WE GOT THE SPIRIT. The 1997 Cougar winter squad shows their stuff to the crowd during half-time at a Varsity basketball game. These ladies helped psych up the winter teams during their seasons.



Above: THE 1997 CHEERLEADING SQUAD. Top left: S. Frielander, M. Hilderman, J. D'Amico, A. Morris, L. Johnson. Second row: M. Pisaeno, S. Pastor, J. Raftree, C. Kelly, L. Prodeline. First row: J. Decker, J. Smith, M. Cohen, D. Goncalves, B. Decker.



Above: GET TO THE BEAT. Senior captain Danielle Goncalves hits the beat as she cheers on a fellow wrestler. Danielle has been a four year Varsity cheerleader following P.A.L. in her earlier years.

Left: I LIKE TO MOVE IT! Senior captain Marla Cohen checks out the crowd. Marla has helped the squad out with her enthusiasm for high school athletics.

TACKLING THE COMPETITION

This season, the varsity football team worked hard and achieved many of their goals throughout the tough '96 schedule. There were ups and downs, but there was a climax to the season when the Cougars achieved a huge victory over the Westfield Blue Devils. The Cougars went into the game with a positive attitude and used this attitude to drive down the Westfield squad by a score of 14-13.

By half-time, senior Jim Adesso had rushed for a touchdown, but

Westfield held onto 10 to 7 lead. In the third quarter, quarterback Mark Stiansen charged through Westfield's weakened defense and barreled into the end zone. Sophomore Tim Meyer then kicked his second extra point of the game, which later decided the future of the Cougars. In the fourth quarter, Westfield began to march down field, but the Cougars fought hard and remained strong. Then with only minutes remaining, and Westfield in field goal range, Junior

Cougars Roar in '96.

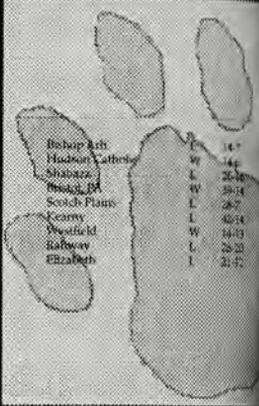
Nik Fekete intercepted a pass and ensured the 14-13 win for Cranford.

"After the Westfield game, the squad was like a whole different team. We were all so confident in each other," said senior Andrew Traut.

Despite the three and six overall record of the team, the Westfield game will always be remembered by the seniors as the biggest win of their senior year.

COUGAR'S SCORE

OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE



Bishop Barb	L	14-7
Hudson Catholic	W	14-6
Shabazz	L	20-14
Woodbridge	W	39-14
Scotch Plains	L	24-7
Kenner	L	42-14
Westfield	W	14-13
Rahway	L	20-20
Elizabeth	L	21-7



Above: HAPPY HELMET. Senior Andrew Traut shows school spirit and some humor at the fall sports pep rally.



Right: HUTTLE UP. Junior Tyrell Lewis calls out the play to the men in gold. The Cougar offense this year scored 90 points over the course of the season.



Above: Top Row Left: D. Markowitz, R. Baxter, K. Bell, R. Bird, J. Rood, A. Traut, M. Mills, S. Fitzpatrick, G. Cierkowski. Second Row: B. Harnett, B. Sullivan, J. Karmol, N. Fekete, K. Drexler, J. Adesso, M. Stiansen, T. Meyer, C. Sallee, Third Row: T. Donovan, A. Jobe, M. Gathercole, P. Ekstrom, C. Jones, M. Groeling, B. Reppert, J. Margeotes, T. Richardson, Fourth Row: C. Fautoute, M. Alexo, Coach Conroy, Coach Muccia, Coach Moore, Coach Brown, Coach Quiles, Coach Hull, J. Muccia, G. Fulling, Fifth Row: J. Daly, B. Boyle, J. McFadden, A. Shumate, T. Lewis, B. Weingart, J. Harris, R. Roberts, M. Porter, Sixth Row: N. Flesch, M. Dagastino, B. Sargent, R. Hansen, D. Brooks, M. Ricci, D. Eford, K. Lutz.



Above: GO DEEP. Junior Mark Stiansen drops back in hopes of finding an open receiver. Stiansen rushed for 6 touchdowns this season and has led the team to many victories.

Below: HANGING TOUGH. Junior Kahlil Bell and sophomore Derrick T. Brooks hang out on the sidelines in anticipation of a Cougar victory. The Cougars did go on to beat the Westfield Blue Devils during that game.



Below: ON THE PROWL. Senior Captain Jim Addresso scans the field for his next victim. Addresso was one of the main elements on the Cougar offense this year.



Above: COUGAR GROWL. Senior Dave Markowitz snarls and growls at his opponents. Dave was a big inspiration for the team this year and displayed his toughness on the field during each game.



Above: HERE COMES TROUBLE! Jumbo junior Nik Fekete gets the handoff from Mark Stansen. Nik then barreled down the field crushing anything in his way.



Above: OFF IN A FLASH. Senior Captain Andrew Jobe cruises down the sideline with all intentions of a first down. Jobe was the number one receiver for the Cougars and had 22 receptions this season.

Right: TEAM WORK. Seniors Lauren Porter and Lynsey Borges call for the ball as they make their way up the field. The two seniors have been playing together in high school for the past four years.

Below: TIME OUT. Senior Beth Johnston stops to see what the referee will call. She actively contributed to the defense's hard work.



Above: Top Row Left: A. Dreyer, K. Snyder, R. Bostel, A. Rosenkrans, M. Slavik, J. DeVito, K. Sharkey, K. Bender, M. Weiss, L. Grutzmacher, E. Quintana, Second Row: K. Quinn, S. Peist, K. Verhoeven, S. Collette, A. Genovese, E. Hellhake, K. Syzmona, S. Taberna, K. D'Amico, T. Mulvaney Third Row: Coach White, N. Huff, T. Klebaur, B. Langham, C. Demyen, A. Viso, K. Murphy, L. Porter, L. Crawford, Coach Dorfman Fourth Row: B. Johnston, K. Farrell, K. Coughlin, L. Polito, L. Demcsak, B. Taylor, J. Chmiel, E. Radley, S. Glien, L. Johnston Fifth Row: M. Coppola, J. Liddy, H. Rembert, L. Borges, L. Picariello, S. Colarusso, J. Springer.



Above: GOALIES STICK TOGETHER. Junior Angela Viso and senior Caren Demyen are about to step onto the field to warm up for one of their last games together. Their goalie skills contributed to the team's successful season.

Field Of Dreams

Where wishes come true.

The Cranford Field Hockey team showed their determination as they went into triple overtime against Kent Place in the Union County Finals. At half time, the pressure was on because the team was down 2-0. However, the Cougars stood strong and showed their ability to come back when they tied up the score at 2-2 with goals by Kelly Farrell and Sheryl Colarusso.

Following two ten minute sudden death over times, the team was forced into a nerve racking shoot out. Despite a final score of 4-3, in favor of Kent Place, Cranford walked off the field holding their heads high knowing they played the best game possible.

With sixteen seniors on the field, there was no question of experience or leadership over the course of the season. The

team showed complete heart and soul in every practice and game. "The team always knew how to make our practices fun. We encouraged each other to do well and kept spirits up no matter what happened," said senior Lauren Porter.

By the end of the season, junior Laura Crawford strongly felt that, "The entire team came together and worked as one on and off the field."



Above: LOOKING ON. Junior Jill Chmiel watches as the Cougar's score a goal during the game against Oak Knoll. Jill was injured earlier in the season and looked forward to her return later in October.



Left: SENIOR UNITY. These senior varsity players successfully ended their last season together. This marks the end of their high school career as they move on to achieve more goals.



Above: KEEP GOING. Senior Abby Dreyer fights for the ball to move in for the score. Abby's dedication was shown by playing field hockey at the varsity level for three years.

Right: WARM UPS. Seniors Sara Collette and Erika Quintana are about to warm up at the Union game. Their defensive positions have enabled them to work together on and off the field.



COUGAR'S SCORE

OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE

Opponent	W/L	Score
Sayreville	W	2-0
Vernon	L	2-0
Voorhees	L	2-0
Oak Knoll	W	2-1
Pompton Lakes	T	1-1
Westfield	W	7-0
Summit	W	2-1
Voorhees	L	2-1
Oak Knoll	W	3-2
Kent Place	L	4-3
Old Bridge	W	forfeit
Columbia	L	1-0
Hopewell Valley	W	3-2
Ridge	W	1-0
Pangry	L	4-2
Union	T	2-2
Montville	L	2-0

OUR DREAM TEAM

Cougars demonstrate real promise.

Did you watch our Dream Team in action this winter? If not, you missed the 1996-97 Boys' Varsity Basketball Team post a promising 7-14 record over the course of the season. The Cougars had an extremely strong year; however, their record did not necessarily reflect this. The team had big wins over arch rival Westfield, and perennial conference power Irvington during mid-season play. "I agree that the boys' showed a lot of heart this year, especially after a few heart breaking losses early in the season," said Coach

Lafferty.

The team was on the young side this year with only four seniors in the lineup. The was lead by Colin McFadden, and tri-captains Eric Messner, Kevin Pemoulie, and Dave Markowitz. Other contributing members of the Cougar team were juniors Mike Mills, Adrian Moore, Kevin Glenn, Andrew Nordstrom, Kevin Feeley, Chris Thompson, and sophomore Bobby Haber.

Even though the Cougars did not conclude the season with an obvious winning

record, the team had many powerful defeats that inspired desire in the squad to keep working hard to attain their goals. One strong win, other then the Westfield victory late in the season, was a win against Summit in the Union County Tournament by a score of 53-47.

With such a strong underclassmen line up despite the loss of four star seniors, the Cougars will be back next season ready to take charge of the court once again.



Above: LOOKING ON. Coach Joe Lafferty concentrates hard on the next play to run. Coach Lafferty has been the Cougar's coach for seven years now.



Right: ON THE MOVE. Senior captain Kevin Pemoulie is taking the ball right to the basket. Kevin was the Cougar's second leading scorer this season.



Above: Bottom Row: Kevin Feeley, Kevin Pemoulie, Bobby Haber, Chris Thompson, Eric Messner, **Top Row:** Coach Joe Lafferty, Mike Mills, Andrew Nordstrom, Dave Markowitz, Kevin Glenn, Colin McFadden, Adrian Moore

COUGAR'S SCORE		
OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE		
Opponent	W/L	Score
S.F.F.H.S.	L	52-62
Caldwell	L	43-45
Morristown Beard	W	65-39
Roselle	L	37-43
Union Catholic	W	47-63
Shabazz	L	45-63
Rahway	L	51-71
West Essex	W	71-46
Westfield	L	32-51
South Plainfield	L	72-81
Linden	L	41-53
East Side	W	73-54
Irvington	W	54-47
Good Counsel	L	55-59
Plainfield	L	67-71
Union	L	56-66
Kearny	L	60-72
Elizabeth	L	35-69
Westfield	W	52-49
Summit (UCT)	W	53-47
St. Patrick's (UCT)	L	44-27



Above: SETTING IT UP. Sophomore Bobby Haber is looking to start the offense for the Cougars. Bobby had a solid year as the point guard for Cranford.

Below: GO FOR THE THREE. Junior Kevin Glenn sets up for the shot to score and win the game against Westfield. Kevin has contributed height and finesse to the team this season.



Below: EYEING THE NET. Junior Adrian Moore checks out the basket with great hope as he sets up for a foul shot. Adrian has been a member of the Varsity basketball team for two years now.



Above: LOOKING HARD. Junior Mike Mills concentrates on the basket as he hopes to score for the Cougars. Mike played both an offensive and defensive role for the cougars this season.



Above: PLAYIN' HARD TO GET. Senior captain Dave Markowitz fights his Westfield opponent to get possession of the ball. Dave was the team's leading scorer and rebounder.



Above: CONCENTRATE. Senior captain Eric Messner concentrates hard on the shot to make and add to the Cougars' lead. Eric used his quick moves and great skills to beat out many of his opponents.

Right: STRIKE A POSE. Senior tri-captain Traci Prutzman finishes up her beam routine in style. Traci scored her career high on the beam this year with an 8.3.

Below: STANDING TALL. Freshman Jessica Pavalak stretches out to make sure she gets the score she wants on floor. Jessica made a strong impression with some great scores on the vault.



Above: Bottom row: D. Nazarro, J. Pavalak, A. Patrone. Middle row: Coaches Diane Bryan and Mike Dow. Top row: A. Morris, T. Prutzman, M. Perez, A. Kupka, D. D'Amico. Not Pictured J. Carscadden.



Above: GYMNASTICS UNITY. Sophomores Diana D'Amico and Allison Morris display their team unity before the meet. Allison and Diana are the two upcoming stars of next year's team.

Flipping Out

Gymnasts celebrate a remarkable season.

The crowd cheered as Alexie Kupka landed her vault, leading the team to place fourth in the county tournament and fifth in the Bulldog Tournament. The team finished with a bang as they ended their season with a 7-4 record.

The team was dedicated and worked hard to accomplish career high scores. As a result, senior tri-captain Alexie Kupka placed sixth in the county tour-

namment as all around and qualified for the state sectionals. Also qualifying for the state sectionals as all around was senior Traci Prutzman. Traci had a career high on floor this year with an 8.3. Also leading the team to victory was senior Melissa Perez who competed exceptionally well scoring her career high on the floor with an 8.15. Incoming freshman Jessica Pavlak also helped the team with

her outstanding scores on beam and vault.

"In the past four years on the team, I never expected to compete with such a dedicated team and place fourth in the counties my senior year," commented Alexie Kupka. After the surprising outcome of the season, the team looks bright for the years to come.



Above: A BALANCING ACT. Senior tri-captain Alexie Kupka goes through her balance beam routine hoping not to make any mistakes. Alexie placed sixth in the county tournament as an all around.



Left: LYING AROUND. The three senior captains, Traci Prutzman, Alexie Kupka, and Melissa Perez are lying around in between events. These three girls led the team to their best record in five years.



Above: WAITING WITH OPEN ARMS. Freshman Anne Patrone shows herself off in front of the judges trying to receive a good score. Anne really helped the team this year with her strong floor performances.

Right: WALKING THE PLANK. Senior tri-captain Melissa Perez warms up on beam before her big performance. Melissa had a strong year with career bests on every event.



COUGAR'S SCORE		
OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE		
Opponent	W/L	Score
Colby	L	94.8 - 94.8
Lincoln	L	94.75 - 95.75
Lindsay	W	97.8 - 98.1
Elizabeth	W	91.7 - 96.3
Jackson	W	91.0 - 92.2
Westfield	L	98.65 - 92.95
Ligon Catholic	W	91.3 - 94.4
Robelle Catholic	W	95.95 - 92.9
Scotts Plains	L	96.5 - 93.2
Dayton	W	96.65 - 96.65
Parsippany	W	94.75 - 91.95
Hudon/Turn		89.5
Cowles Point		90.50

Time to Change

Players face new divisional challenges.

This year, the Varsity Ice Hockey Team had a dramatically different season than those of the past several years. In the previous four years of its existence, the Cougar squad won two division titles in 1994 and 1996, and placed second in their division in 1995. However, after graduating seven seniors, one being the state's leading scorer, and changing from the American A Division to the National B Division, the team was bound to have a very different and even difficult season.

Although the team finished with a record of 1-20-1, the Cougars were up for the challenge at every game. The Cougar offense was led by experienced seniors John Newman, Brent Heck, Beau Macksoud and Brian Beirne, junior John Healey, and freshmen Ryan Heck. The defense was led by seniors Eric Tardif, sophomore Mike Rogers and freshmen Will Humpries and Kevin Tardif. The goaltending was done primarily by junior Randy Matlosz who had a tough job ahead of him.

"Even with all of our struggles this year, we still found a way to come together and play as a team," commented Eric Tardif. The seniors, who went through some substantial changes this winter, definitely helped shape and prepare the younger players for competition. Next season, the team will be back on their skates and ready to take on every new challenger.



Above: LOOKING ON! Coach Hurley and Assistant Coach Healey eagerly watch as the Cougars get closer to the goal.



Right: A SPEEDY BREAKAWAY! Junior John Healey carries the puck into the zone with John Newman following on his left. This was John's third year on the Varsity team.



Above, bottom left: J. Viola, R. Heck, R. Matlosz, A. Viso, K. Tardif, W. Humpries. **Top Left:** B. Beirne, D. Heuer, J. Healey, B. Heck, J. Newman, M. Rogers, B. Provod, B. Macksoud, Coach Hurley. **Not Pictured:** E. Tardif

COUGAR'S SCORE

OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE

Opponent	W/L	Score
Clifton	L	4-3
Hudson Catholic	L	10-2
Johnson Regional	W	5-4
St. Joes	L	10-6
Lakeland	L	4-3
Don Bosco	L	4-4
Westfield	A	6-2
West Milford	L	2-1
Toms River North	L	9-1
Breck	L	11-6
Summit	T	3-3
Breck Memorial	L	7-0
Bayonne	L	7-4
Hudson Catholic	L	11-1
Toms River North	L	9-3
Bergen Catholic	L	9-2
Lakeland	L	4-2
Bayonne	L	10-0
Breck Memorial	L	6-3
Clifton	L	11-1
Westfield	L	7-6
Summit	L	8-3



Above: ALERT AND READY! Senior Beau Macksoud anticipates a pass from one of his teammates. Beau contributed a lot to the Cougar defense this season.

Below: READY TO WORK! Senior Captain Brian Beirne warms up mentally before a tough game ahead. Brian's consistent scoring kept the team in many close games.



Above: DETERMINATION! Senior Captain Eric Tardif relaxes after throwing a bone-crushing check. Eric was a key part of the Cougar second line defense.

Below: LOOKING TO PASS! Senior Captain John Newman turns up his speed while looking up the ice to his Cranford teammates. John's leadership kept the team motivated all season long.



Above: NOTHING GETS BY! Starting goalie Randy Matlosz shows his determination before a big game. Randy's quick reflexes resulted in many great saves this year.



Above: CONTROLLING THE PUCK! Senior Brent Heck gets in position to pass a defender and skate up the ice. Brent was a major part of the Cougar attack against Johnson Regional.

Right: ON BREAK. Erin Radley, Michelle Foulds, Michelle Catena, and Jenica Springer catch their breath before their next race. The girls pulled together and always supported each other throughout the arduous season.

Below: CLOSING THE GAP. Senior Dan Bryer is in deep concentration as he strides toward the finish line. Dan was the captain of the Boy's team this year.



Above: Bottom Row: R. Seager, J. Bergen, D. Bryer, T. Loguidice, J. Celock, E. Glien, J. O'Donnell, E. Feeley 2nd row: S. Oliveira, D. Noble, D. Hickey, K. Foulds, K. Osaben, M. Catena, M. Weiss, E. Platt, S. Glien, C. Gilbertson 3rd row: Coach Hartman, R. Noble, J. Zehnder, M. Chilinski, L. Prodeline, B. Taylor, A. Noble, K. Gilbertson, J. Anthes, K. Bostel, Coach Moore Top row: Coach White, T. Styler, T. Connelly, A. Williams, J. Whelan, P. Burke, T. Lucash, D. Polinitza, Coach Harnett



Above: ANTICIPATION. Junior Adam Williams is focusing as he prepares to race. Adam had an outstanding season, and contributed a great deal to the success of the team.

Fast Times at Cranford High

Girls steal second in counties.

The Girls' Track team had an outstanding season this year. The team was guided by the senior leadership of Tracy Swackhamer, Danielle Chilinski, and Monique Brown. They exploded to a second place finish this year in the Union County Tournament. They had some outstanding performances starting with the 4x400 meter relay team, made up of Michelle Chilinski, Stephanie Glien, Tracy Swackhamer, and Monique Brown, who took second in the meet. The 4x200 meter relay team also took. The shuttle hurdle relay team consisting of Michelle Chilinski,

Danielle Chilinski, Becky Taylor, and Monique Brown had a record breaking year. They shattered both meet and state records in their event. There were also some outstanding individual performances. In the individual events, Tracy Swackhamer placed second in the 800 meter race, and Monique Brown qualified for the Meet of Champions in two events, 55 meter high hurdles and the 400 meter run.

The Boys' track team, led by seniors Dan Bryer and Chris Gilbertson, also had an excellent season this year. Some of the Cougars who performed

well were junior Terrell Lewis, who ran 6:84 55 meter dash in the Group 2 Championship, and sophomore Tim Styler. Tim will represent the Cranford boys in the prestigious Meet of Champions. Tim qualified by taking fourth place in the 1600 meters in 4:35.

The athletes on both teams had great seasons and worked hard during the cold winter months to get and keep in shape. Coach White should be commended for inspiring such tenacity in his athletes.



Above: ON THE RUN. Senior Monique Brown anxiously anticipates the start. Monique qualified for the Meet of Champions in two events this year.



Left: QUICK CHANGE. Senior Stephanie Glien hands the baton off to fellow teammate Tracy Swackhamer. The Seniors helped lead the team to a second place finish in the Counties.



Above: TOGETHERNESS. Seniors on the team prepare one last time for their final meet together. The seniors all ended the year with outstanding performances, meet trophies and personal bests.

Right: ON THE RUN. Senior Tom Loguidice pushes himself towards the finish. Tom provided leadership for the boys this year.



COUGARS SCORE

Runner	Event	Time
M. Brown	55 meters	7.4
J. Zehnder	1600 meters	6:10
D. Chilinski	High Jump	5'2"
T. Lewis	300 meters	:59.5
T. Styler	1600 meters	4:32
K. Holmes	400 meters	:55.7

Stroke of Genius

This season, the varsity swim team swam head and shoulders above other teams and ended with a strong 11-4 record. According to senior Alexie Kupka, "the entire team contributed to every win. We had a lot of great swimmers, which allowed the coaches the flexibility to give many of the underclassmen a chance to swim."

One of the team's most significant wins was against Governor Livingston. This match ended with one of the closest scores of the season.



Above: SMOOTH STROKE. Freshman Molly Redlund quickly glides her way to the finish. The backstroke was one of Molly's strongest strokes this season.

A "bright" future lies ahead.

90-70. During the meet, senior Amy Oriscello swam superbly in her 200 freestyle relay, helping Cranford edge out their opponent.

The Cranford squad continued their success in the County Tournament. Many of the girls had their personal best times during this meet. Jill Redlund, Vicki Hynes, Alexie Kupka, Linda Haustein, and Amy Oriscello all achieved personal bests, and the boys also did well in the tournament by finishing sixth.

As a team, Cranford lost in the first round of the State Tournament against the tough Summit squad. However, sophomore Chris Feintheil made it to the State finals, where he swam the 100 backstroke with precision. "Overall, the team had a great season. They will definitely be strong again next year", said senior Jill Redlund. This team showed a lot of heart and dedication by not only the seniors and juniors, but by all of the underclassmen as well.



Right: HOME STRETCH. Freshman Lauren Vanover works hard to beat her opponents. Lauren did well in her freestyle race.



Above: 1997 Varsity Swim Team. Back Left: A. Reinhard, A. Kupka; K. Lutz; L. Haustein; A. Oriscello; J. Redlund; A. Furino; Coach Vignone; Middle Left: M. Saad; M. Arzeni; A. Wright; D. Caravela; V. Hynes; M. Iida; C. Clay; J. Turner; K. Knight; Coach Dino; Bottom Left: C. Feintheil; M. Heuer; M. Redlund; K. Vanover; K. Keenan; H. Pease; R. Guthrie; H. Iida.

COUGAR'S SCORE

OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE

Opponent	W/L	Score
Rahway	W	111-58
Linden	W	126-41
Kearny	W	54-40
Sayreville	W	112-57
Rijzabeth	W	99-71
Roselle Catholic	W	108-62
East Side	W	122-47
Union	L	63-109
Westfield	L	67-5-102.5
Governor Livingston	W	98-71
Oratory	W	106-62
Bishop Abt	L	73-97
Plainfield	W	131-30
Scotch Plains	L	64-106
New Providence	W	109-61



Above: COOLING DOWN. Junior Vicki Hynes takes a deep breath after she finishes her race. Vicki worked hard this season to help improve the team's record to 11-4.

Below: POWER FLY. Senior Ken Lutz uses his skilled butterfly stroke to help the team in this relay. As one of the seven seniors on the team, Ken was relied on to come through in big races, against teams such as Livingston.



Below: BIG SMILES. Good friends, senior Adrienne Furino and junior Aaron Wright, take a moment before a meet to smile for the camera. The two have swum together on the Varsity team for three years.



Above: EXPERIENCED STYLE. Senior Jill Redlund concentrates intently on winning her freestyle race. A four year Varsity swimmer, Jill helped lead the team this season.

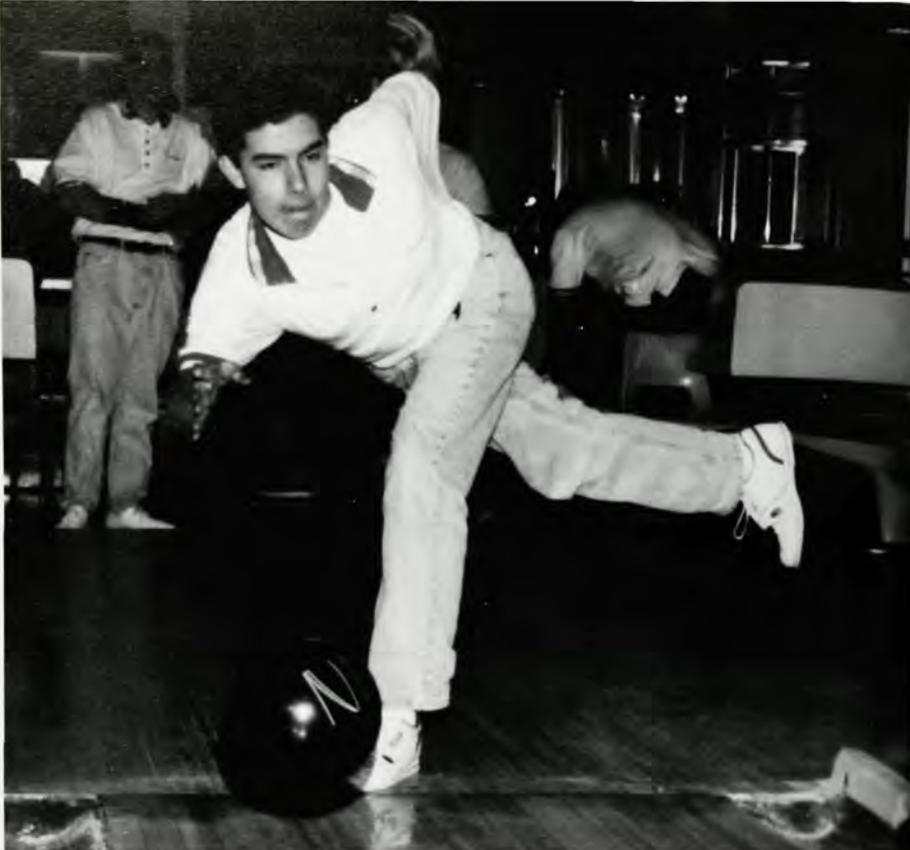
Below: SHEER STRENGTH. Sophomore Chris Feintheil uses his power to finish before his competition. Even as a sophomore, Chris was a strong force on the team and went to states in March.



Above: SENIOR CLIQUE. The seniors on the Varsity squad are a close knit group. Jill, Alexie, Linda, Adam, Adrienne, and Ken were strong leaders this year, steering the team to a winning record.

Right: ROLLIN'! Senior Eric Bribiesca times his release as he focuses on the pins. Experience helped Eric to contribute to the team this year.

Below: KNOCK 'EM DOWN. Senior Joe Limone shows good form as he sends one down the lane. Joe showed excellent leadership throughout the season.



Above: Top row from left: J. Limone, E. Bribiesca, R. Roberts, B. DaSilva, S. McKay. Bottom row: C. Karpinski, A. Appolonia, F. Eichenlaub, S. Poszyler, D. Russamano.



Above: PINNED! Junior Scot McKay looks to hit all the pins in their match against Union. This year's team had another outstanding season and continues to be successful.

A Striking Moment

Bowlers have an outstanding season.

This year's Bowling team maintained the long streak of bowling success at Cranford High School. This extremely talented and experienced team was led by captains Brian DaSilva, Joe Limone, and Eric Bribiesca. With a mix of experienced seniors and talented underclassman, the team was able to compile an 11-2 record. Senior Ron Roberts and junior Scot

McKay contributed to the team by posting excellent scores to help lead the Cougars to victory. Rounding out the team were freshmen Craig Karpinski, Anthony Appolonia, Frank Eichenlaub, and sophomores Stephanie Poszyler and Dean Russamano.

This bowling dynasty was guided by the wizardry of Head Coach Ron Pizzi. With

an influx of young talent, Mr. Pizzi and the rest of the team look forward to continued success in years to come. The hard work that the team showed this year was definitely a key element to their success. The dedication and commitment that this year's team showed established an inevitable recipe for their domination in the future.



Above: CONCENTRATION. Frank Eichenlaub is focusing as he awaits his turn. Frank is young, but shows great signs of ambition.



Left: ON A BREAK. Brian DaSilva, Eric Bribiesca, and Joe Limone pause to go over some strategy. These three Cougars helped guide the team to an 11-2 record this year.



Above: IN GOOD FORM. Stephanie Poszyler looks for a strike as her teammates cheer her on. Stephanie bowled extremely well for the team this season.



Right: STRIKE! Senior Ron Roberts drops one down the lane. Ron Roberts' last season proved to be a great one.

COUGAR'S SCORE		
OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE		
Opponent	W/L	Score
Korny	W	7-0
Union Catholic	W	7-0
East Side	W	7-0
Irvington	W	7-0
Seton Hall	W	7-0
Elizabeth	W	7-0
Shabazz	W	7-0
Rahway	L	1-6
Westfield	W	5-2
Summit	W	7-0
Union	W	5-2
Scotch Plains	W	5-2
Linden	L	7-0
Union Catholic	W	7-0
Linden	W	7-0

Just You Weight

Wrestlers slim down and tone up.

The 1996-97 Varsity wrestling team ended their season with a respectable 6-13 record. Having two strong captains, senior Andrew Schmitt, junior Nik Fekete and two senior co-captains Pat Gorman and Josh Evans helped the team get through some disappointing losses and tough times. Seniors Mike Alexo, Kerry Drexler, juniors Nik Fekete, George Fulling, Shaun "The Terror" Weeden,

sophomore Ricky Hyra, Pat Ekstrom, freshman Joey Crecca, and John Donofrio continue to dominate on the mat and helped the team to victories over teams such as Roselle Catholic and Colonia.

This year the Cougars took on many powerhouse teams and although the team score may have been upsetting, individual records proved to be "Super." As the season ended for the

team a few wrestlers respected the Cougars in the districts, region, and state tournaments.

Even though five star seniors will be leaving the squad, the upcoming freshman and returning underclassmen look very promising for the future to come.



Above: EYEING HIM UP. Junior George Fulling puts on his game face before attacking his opponent. George was a three-year varsity letterman and wrestled 171lbs.



Right: THE CHIEF IN CHARGE. Sophomore Pat Ekstrom uses all of his weight and strength to bog down and tire out his opponent. Pat made his mark at 215lbs.



Above: Top row: B. Ponto, G. Fulling, N. Fekete, P. Ekstrom, K. Drexler, M. Alexo, S. Weeden, Coach Artigliere, Coach Salzarulo. Middle row: E. Richardson, R. Hyra, J. Evans, P. Gorman, J. Donofrio, J. Schmitt. Bottom row: C. Symanski, L. Salyagio, A. Schmitt, J. Crecca, A. Sylvester.

COUGAR'S SCORE

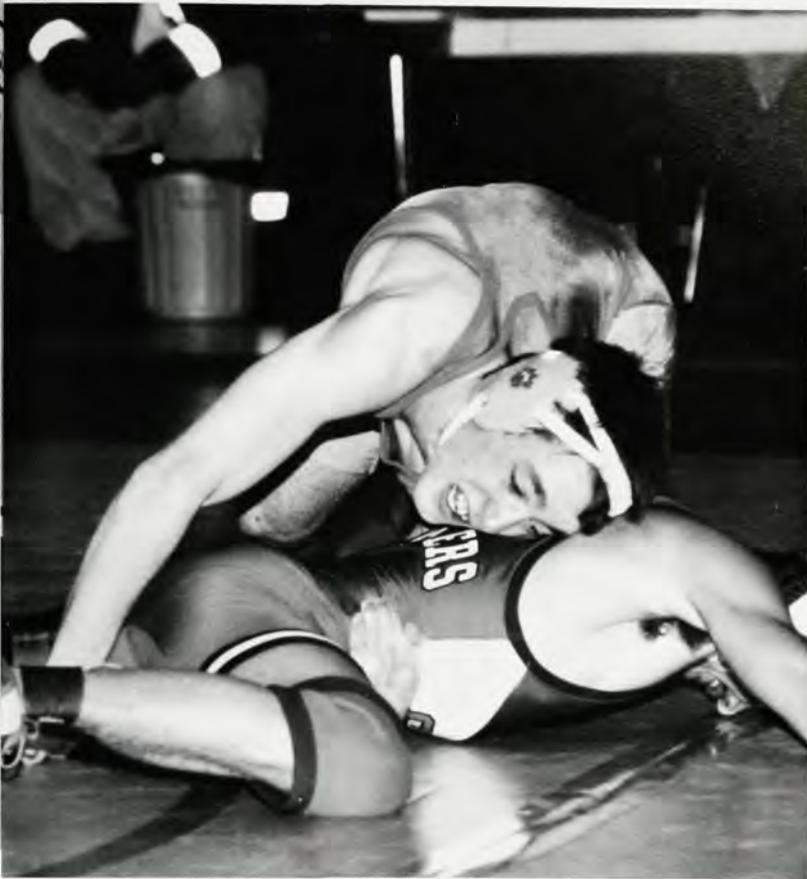
OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE

Opponent	W/L	Score
Linden	L	28-51
Union	W	39-04
East Side	W	46-18
Plainfield	W	54-18
Watchung Hills	W	42-48
Hillsborough	L	39-41
Scotch Plains	L	27-45
Kearny	L	36-42
Pompton Lakes	L	35-56
Elizabeth	L	27-49
Rahway	L	17-54
Governor Livingston	L	23-52
Westfield	L	36-35
Roselle Park	L	9-43
Irrington	L	23-46
Roselle Catholic	W	52-21
Johnson	L	39-45
Colonia	W	39-29
Parsippany	L	25-45
Morris Knolls	L	27-48

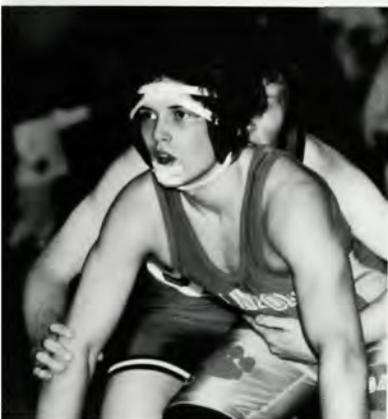


Above: SETTING HIM UP. Freshman John Donofrio waits patiently for the right time to spring his big move on his opponent. John started Varsity this year as a freshman at 140lbs.

Below: GIVING IT ALL YOU GOT. Senior captain Andrew Schmitt gives it a hundred and ten percent in his effort to turn his Scotch Plains opponent. Schmitt took third in the counties this year.



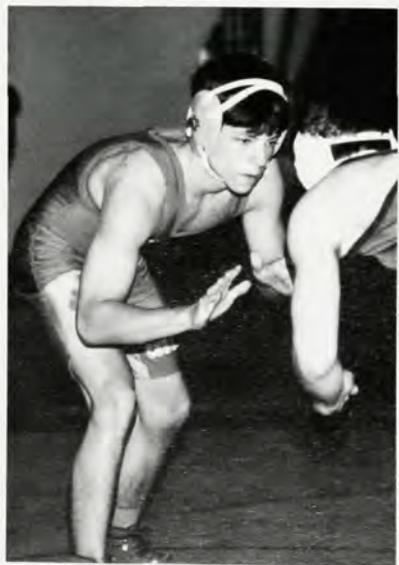
Below: GET AGGRESSIVE. Senior Pat Gorman delivers his vicious crossface in an attempt to free his leg. Pat was a four year Varsity letterman and wrestled 132lbs this year placing 4th in the county.



Above: NO PAIN NO GAIN. Sophomore Ricky Hyra fights through his pain in an attempt to escape from the bottom. Ricky stormed the mat this year at 145lbs bringing upsets on many excellent wrestlers around the area.



Above: HAMMER TIME. Junior captain Nik Fekete scores a takedown during his 189lb bout against Scotch Plains. Nik placed 1st in the counties and moved on to states in February.



Above: WAITING TO ATTACK. Senior Josh Evans awaits the moment to pin his opponent to the mat. At 135lbs Josh placed third in the county this year.

Right. TRY AND CATCH ME.
Senior Captain Kelly Farrell runs with the ball as she thinks of a play to call out. Kelly contributed many points in the game against Roselle Catholic.



Below: I THINK I CAN. Senior Captain Erika Quintana sets up for a foul shot to win an important game. Erika was an important component in achieving the team's high number of rebounds.



Above: THE 1997 VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM. Top row: A. Dreyer, E. Quintana, J. Sabo, R. Severs, K. Snyder. Middle row: J. Sands, E. Garritty, B. Dittmar, M. Levine. Bottom row: M. Zambell, K. Farrell, T. Mulvaney.



Above: TAKING WHAT'S MINE. Junior Katie Snyder holds on to the ball as she fights off two Roselle Catholic opponents. Katie has been playing basketball for many years now and has high hopes for her future.

Courting Victory

Girls succeed in County Tournament.

Before their season even began, the Lady Cougars Basketball squad knew they had the potential to defeat many strong and talented teams. Whether it was said or not, each girl knew that if each player gave her best performance, they would be unstoppable during regular season play.

The night of the County quarterfinals against Oak Knoll was when they achieved this feat. Although the Lady Cougars lost by one point when their

opponent hit a last second three-pointer in overtime, the team played the best game of their entire season and knew they had tried their best.

In the game, the team was led by a group of experienced seniors. In their roles as leaders, Kelly Farrell, Jen Sands, Erika Quintana, Abby Dreyer, and Melissa Levine kept the team motivated. The juniors included Rebecca Severs, Jackie Sabo, Katie Snyder, and Eileen Garrity. Megan

Zambell, Bethany Dittmar, and Tracey Mulvaney were more inexperienced yet still talented underclassmen.

This season the Cougars proved many people wrong by achieving an over 500 record and by making states. Senior Erika Quintana felt that her team "learned a lot from each other this season" and really accomplished what they set out to achieve before their first game.



Above: LINING UP THE SHOT. Sophomore Megan Zambell lines up before she shoots a three pointer. Megan has contributed many points to the team's winning record.



Left: SENIOR LEADERSHIP. Seniors Jen Sands, Abby Dreyer, Erika Quintana, Melissa Levine, and Kelly Farrell are excited about their last game together. These girls have been playing basketball for CHS for four years and will miss it as well as each other.



Above: HANDS UP. Junior Eileen Garrity blocks the shot which enabled the Cougars to win the game. Eileen has been a Varsity player for two years now and is looking forward to her senior season.

Right: THE COURT IS MINE. Senior Captain Jen Sands takes control on the court as she follows up and makes another basket. Jen's quick moves allowed her to dribble down the court and sink the shot for two more points against Roselle Catholic.



COUGAR'S SCORE

OPPONENT-W/L-SCORE

OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE
Scotch Plains	W	48-29
Caldwell	L	46-42
Roselle Catholic	W	51-28
Columbia	L	63-27
Union Catholic	L	31-28
Shalmez	L	47-37
Rahway	W	41-22
West Essex	W	51-41
Westfield	W	43-29
South Plainfield	L	58-32
Linden	W	66-29
Oak Knoll	L	40-39
East Side	W	58-44
Irvington	W	44-28
Plainfield	W	66-38
Union	W	52-39
Kearny	W	48-34
Elizabeth	L	61-28
Westfield	L	48-28
Roselle Park (U/GT)	W	57-30
Oak Knoll (U/GT)	L	51-50
Dayton	W	46-36



Below: NEED A MECHANIC? Mr. Leva labors over a car axle as Greg Metchnik and Rob Dinsmore look on. As a result of his careful demonstration, the two boys received an "A" on their autos project.



Above: JUBILANT JUNIORS, Juniors Angela Viso, Kaytee D'Amico, Laura Civile, and Nancy DeVito spend a beautiful fall day cheering on the Cougar football team. Their support helped the Cougars to defeat Westfield 14-13.

Left: HANGIN' IN HOMEROOM. These smiling sophomores know how much fun it is to have Miss Hilborn for a homeroom teacher. Everyday they listened to hear their names mentioned on the announcements for their contributions to a fall sport's team.

Imagine...
all the people

Imagine what a day at CHS would be like without your best friend, your Biology teacher, your basketball coach, the girl who sits next to you in Algebra, or the boy who lends you white out in English. These individuals, and the many others which we find at Cranford High School, are the faces which fill our world. As we scurry from one class to the next, glance around us in the cafeteria, or spend the afternoon at a club meeting, we are greeted by both new and familiar faces. CHS is filled with various types of people, and it is these people which influence us each day we spend here. Whether they grade our tests, compliment our performance on the athletic field, or simply smile as we pass them in the halls, the people we see at CHS help to make high school the exciting experience that it is.

By: Julie Schweitzer



PEOPLE

ADMINISTRATION



*Above: Michael D. Blasucci
Principal*

*Below: Joan C. Wilde
Assistant Principal/Supervisor of Special Education*



*Above: Frederick S. D'Antoni
Assistant Principal*



*Above: Gary Sorrentino
Dean of Students, Principal of C.A.P./C.A.M.P.*

*Below: Robert Lelli
Athletic Director, Supervisor Physical Education, Health and
Driver Education*



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Secretary*



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*Attendance Office
Secretary*



Metta Ponczek
*Main Office and
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Ruth Robinson
Aide, Medical



Phyllis Truglio
Main Office Secretary



Gloria Yanni
*Main Office Secretary,
Supervisor*



Above: Mrs. Johnston takes a break from photocopying to smile for the camera. She sure looked like she was having fun.



Above: Mrs. Truglio is busy as a bee typing away on her computer. She sure got into the spirit of things on Halloween.



Karen Bailin
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Albert Berke
Special Education



Lynn Berry
Music Supervisor



Alan Blander
Science



Charles Brown
Science



Nicholas Brown
Physical Education



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Mathematics



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Child Study Team



Catherine Carolan
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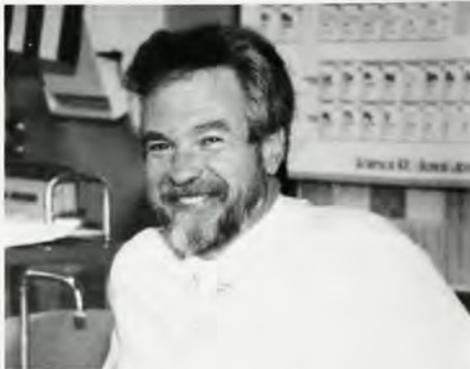
Catherine Crocamo
Foreign Language



Doris Cudworth
Fine Arts



Eileen Dachnowicz
English



Above: Mr. Blander always greets his classes with a smile. Biology is a tough class but he sure made it more fun for his students—just look at his tie!



George Deckenbach
Fine Arts



Joyce Delpopolo
Social Studies



Enid DeLuca
Special Education



Above: Ms. Dorfman takes a break from testing sit-and-reach to smile for the camera. The thought of exercise brings a glow to her face.



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Foreign Language



David Doheny
Science



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*Social Studies
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Kelley Ellenberg
Mathematics



Carol Fedoryk
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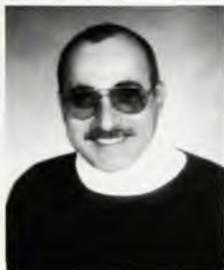
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Pasquale LaMorte
Applied Technology



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Richard Phillips
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Mathematics



Judy Podbelski
Social Studies



Joan Puma
Mathematics



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Special Education



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*Science/Foreign
Language*



Susan Rivkind
Foreign Language



Edward Roberts
English



Ronald Sassi
Social Studies



Thomas Scheffel
Social Studies



Cara Vignone-Schreck
Science



Phyllis Schwartz
Science



Above: Ms. Podbelski takes time to discuss today's society with Diana Dollard, Amy McGrath, Alisa Detore, and Stephanie Glien. These students enjoyed being in Ms. Podbelski's Sociology class.



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English



Jay Smith
*Fine Arts/Applied
Technology Supervisor*



Carol Sobers
English



Jenny Sparno
*Student Assistance
Counselor*



Ronald Spinella
Social Studies



Thomas Stagich
Science



Edith Strauss
Special Education



Concetta Toth
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Mathematics



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*Family & Cons.
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Kitty White
Physical Education



Ray White
Physical Education



Lillian Wiener
Social Studies



Donato Zoppi
Foreign Language

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Gayle Butrico
Donna Cathcart
Kevin Conroy
Anne Marie Esmerado
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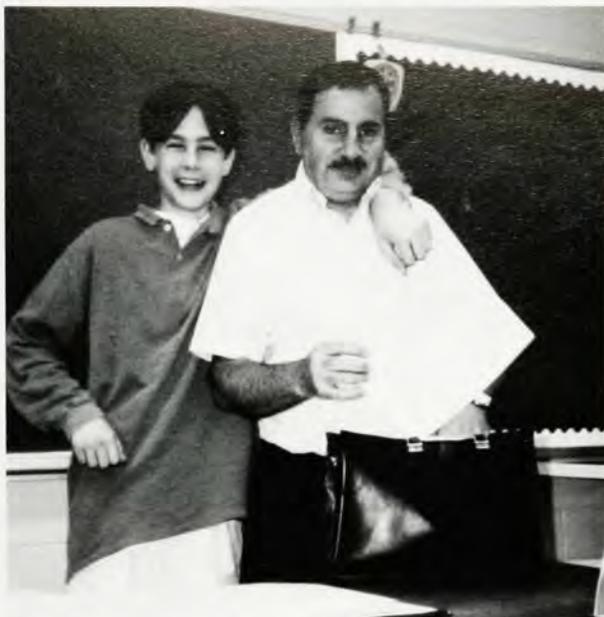


Above: Ms. Shaw and Mr. Gottilla enjoy dancing together at the faculty Christmas party. These two sure liven up the English Department.



Left: Mr. Roberts poses on Halloween with his favorite Wizard of Oz characters. What a surprise it was when Dorothy, the Cowardly Lion, and Toto came to visit.

Below: Dan Holland and Mr. Zoppi get together for a photo during Spanish class. Mr. Zoppi is obviously one of Dan's favorite teachers.



WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR INTERESTS OUTSIDE OF CRANFORD HIGH SCHOOL?



"I enjoy playing volleyball and spending time with my son, Kevin."
Ms. Mahon.

"I love playing the jazz saxophone and running around the house with my three dogs. Two of my dogs are Bichons and the other one is a rare breed from Madagascar."
Mr. Spinella.



Above: Mr. Klenetsky shows his strength and love for the Science Department. You can tell by the smile on his face that he is very happy at Cranford High School.

Right: Ms. Kinsey flaps her wings for the camera on Halloween. Her students got a kick out seeing their teacher dressed up as a chicken.

Guidance Department And Personnel



Helene Unger
Director of Pupil
Personal Services



Sharon Guthrie
Guidance Secretary



George Huff
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Donald Jones
Guidance Counselor



John Kingston
Guidance Counselor



Linda Koester
Guidance Secretary



Lois Koral
Guidance Counselor



Above: Mr. Brown takes a break from eating his lunch to pose for the camera on Halloween. Do you think he had Chinese?



Nan Quinn
Guidance Secretary



Above: Mr. Huff, Ms. White, Mrs. Carolan, and Dr. Carbone take a few minutes to rest while on the Peer trip at the Carmel Retreat House. These Peer advisors loved the time spent together with the facilitators.

Cafeteria And Custodial Staff



Above: The cafeteria staff loves preparing school lunches for all the hungry students of CHS. They definitely believe in service with a smile.

Below: Nancy Klem takes a break from her duties to smile for the camera.



Above: April Yates and her stepfather, Mr. Purdie, get together for a photo on Halloween. They just finished sweeping the floors and now it is time for a little trick or treating.

The Big Change

One freshman shares his transition from Junior High to CHS.

Orange Avenue may have twice as many grades as the high school but Orange Avenue is the size of a peanut compared to the high school. When I came to the high school I did not expect so many drastic changes. This is just one of the major changes I have experienced so far.

I thought I was going to get lost right away, but it was not that difficult to find most of my classes. I just went to the floor it was on, looked around for the room number, and found it eventually. I have a lot more time since we get five minutes between classes instead of the three we got at Orange Avenue.

The biggest adjustment had to be the difference in the amount of work. At Orange Avenue, I didn't have many long term assignments, and I didn't get that much homework at night. This year, I have been assigned term papers, essays, reports, along with homework in at least three subjects every night.

Most of the changes included just



Above: Molly Redlund and Conor Leddy enjoyed their jobs at the Cranford Swim Club this past summer. They spent most of their time, though, imagining what CHS was like.

becoming familiar with the surroundings. Going from only one floor to four floors was a huge adjustment. Some students have a class on the first floor, the next on the fourth floor, then the next class back down on the first floor.

Another major adjustment confronted me at lunchtime. At Orange Avenue, we only had one lunch period where all the eighth grade students ate together. At the high school, there are three lunch periods where juniors, sophomores, and freshmen all eat together.

It was a little overwhelming at first, but I have become more settled in the surroundings. I still don't know where a few of the classrooms are, or who some of the teachers are, but I'm sure after a full year or so, it will feel like I have been here forever.

By: Conor Leddy

Thomas Alexo
Michael Anderson
William Anderson
John Anthes
Anthony Appolonia
Katherine Arcieri



Thomas Arthur
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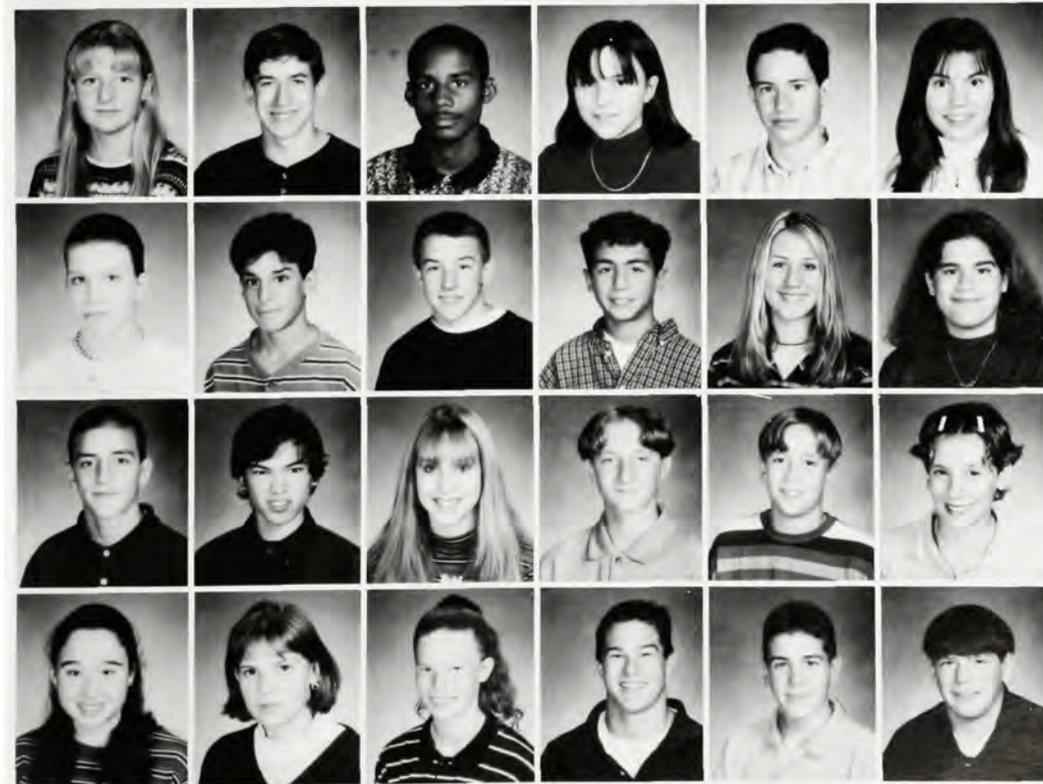


Andrew Bucko
Frank Buonvino
Alexander Camejo
Allison Capece
Katie Carney
Michele Catena



Left: This group of freshmen enjoy their first bonfire at CHS. They were looking ahead to the football game the next day and to Spirit Week in December.

Below: Adrienne and Chris Furino share a laugh on their way to seventh period. Chris was glad to have Adrienne around to show him the in's and out's of CHS.



Lisa Cavicchioli
Joshua Chandros
William Chavers
Lauren Christiani
Michael Cilia
Nita Colaco

Kate Cowan
Joseph Crecca
John Curry
Andrew Cusumano
Alison Cuzzolino
Allison D'Agostino

Daniel Daly
Matthew Dango
Kristen Davidowitch
Jason Davidson
David Degenhardt
Jessica DiDonato

Kathleen Dillon
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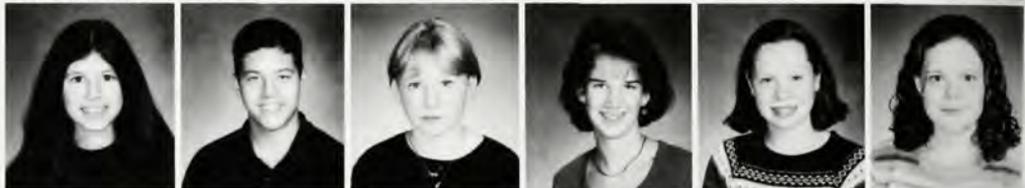
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Lauren Goldstein
 Michael Grau
 Melanie Guthrie
 Tara Halpin
 Rachel Harley
 Shannon Healey



Ryan Heck
 Ryan Helmstetter
 Sarah Hendel
 Michael Heuer
 Robin Hickey
 Thomas Hickey



Jill Horrigan
 Jack Howard
 William Humphries
 Hoshiyuki Iida
 Erin Ingram
 Maureen Jennings



Matthew Kabel
 Dennis Kaelin
 Jennifer Kardel
 Lisa Kardos
 Craig Karpinski
 Katherine Keenan



Irene Kenny
 Andrew Kindler
 Maria King
 Devin Klebaur
 William Kleeman
 Sean Klempa



Left: This group of freshmen is having fun during the Freshmen Peer Dance. They could not wait to discuss it in Peer class next week.

Below: Robin Hickey, Christine Bayack, and Christina Schmitt enjoy all the fun of Pasta Night. These three friends liked the fact that the seniors were serving them.



Jared Kosch
Brian Kovolisky
Ryan Kulik
Stacy Kulinski
Cynthia Lawrence
Conor Leddy



Andrew Lee
Andrew Lerner
Joshua Levine
Kevin Levonas
Arminio Loffa
Sean Longo



Eric Louie
Jessica Mahon
Rachel Maier
Joseph Maiuro
Timothy Mamrak
Mande Margitich



Rebecca Markowitz
Zbigniew
Matuszewski
Phillip Matz
Meredith Mazillo
Melissa Medric
Jackson Milonas

Joseph Minitelli
Benjamin Moldave
Brendan Muha
Vincent Munoz
Jillian Myers
Daniel Naegele



Danielle Nazzaro
Amy Noble
David Nycz
Jeffrey O'Donnell
Steve Oliveira
Meaghan Oliver



Erik Olson
Efrain Ortiz
Kathleen Osaben
John Pabst
Natalie Pappas
Shannon Paster



Anne Patrone
Jessica Pavlak
Deborah Pearl
Hilary Peae
Marc Perrette
Lyndsey Pfeiffer



Tim Pizzella
Brian Ponto
James Pugaczewski
Kerri Radley
Mariya Radushkina
Molly Redlund



Ronald Reid
Catherine Reilly
Erik Richardson
MaryBeth Rietzke
Stephanie Risse
Daniel Rowen



Jeffery Rubin
Kathleen Ryan
Robert Sands
Jonathon Savoy
Robert Schipper
Christine Schmitt



Kathleen Schramm
Leon Schusterman
Marc See
John Serpico
Christopher Shaw
Arthur Sherbatuk



Left: Class President Kevin Bostel and Class Vice President Amie Borges discuss some pressing class business in local government. Maybe Mrs. Delpopolo had some fun fundraising ideas?



Below: Sarah Hendel, Sara Soriente and Elizabeth Sowa enjoy sitting outside on the patio after the long schoolday. The girls have really gotten into the swing of things here at CHS.



Aislinn Sia
William Simpson
Lauren Skolnick
Patricia Skrobot
Matthew Small
Tara Smallze

Teaka Smith
Katie Sofranko
Sara Soriente
Elizabeth Sowa
Sarah Stratton
Christopher
Symanski

Kevin Tardif
David Ten Broeck
Gerald Tobin
Dana Tosci
Rebecca Turner
Carly Tutko

Rebecca Ulanski
Erin Ulrich
Kelly Ulrich
Joseph Unish
Sarah Ushock
Stacy Van De Water

Paul Vandermeiren
 Lauren Vanover
 Annamarie Vari
 Vanessa Veca
 Matthew Venditti
 Joseph Viola



Melissa Vogler
 Adam
 Waters-Dashevsk
 Scott Wiener
 Michelle Wolak
 Kelly Wolfe
 Joyce Wright



Douglass Ying
 Daniel Zebrowski
 Jane Zielenbach
 Lauren Zuravnsky



Freshmen Not Pictured:

- Nicole Adesso
- Daniel Morton
- Jonathan Polonitza
- Brad Sumenek

Right: These freshmen boys are all smiles at their Class Night from Hillside Ave. School last June. From the looks on their faces they were excited to be starting CHS in the fall.



Above: Lisa Cavicchioli, Amie Borges, and Molly Redlund wait in line for Pasta Night. The trio really enjoyed all of the Olive Garden food this year.

Left: This group of freshmen boys enjoy eating lunch in the underclass cafeteria. They also enjoyed all of the good times they had inside and outside of CHS this past year.



Transferring Schools

There's no place like home.

As you enter the two large, white, doors of Cranford High School, your thoughts are muddled. The hallways are packed with laughing, yelling, and gossiping teens. There are strange voices, unfamiliar classrooms with new teachers, and worst of all, there is not one familiar face. To some people, Cranford High School can be quite a scary place, especially if you are a new or transfer student.

For most people, changing from junior high school to high school is a hard enough adjustment, but we all pull through it with help from our friends and family. However, just imagine having to adjust to an entirely different school and new environment without your friends there every step of the way. Sophomore Erica Vitola, a new student as of November says, "Some of the hardest adjustments that I've had to make are my new house, the area, and I really miss all of my friends in Bridgewater."



Above: This group of freshmen girls are really excited on their first day of CHS. One thing that made them a little bit sad though, was the fact all of their friends who transferred out of the school system, would not be going to CHS with them.

Cranford High School does have a busy atmosphere, and can be very overwhelming at first. Junior Justin Matusiak comments, "I'm not used to having four floors, and in my old school everything was a lot more relaxed."

Changing schools can be extremely hard, especially in your high school years. Most of the students here feel that they would never want to transfer schools, and they would not give up going to Cranford High School for anything. Sophomore Megan Zambell adds, "In the past couple of years, some of my close friends have moved, and I'm so proud of them for adjusting so well. I know I wouldn't be able to do it."

None of us would ever want to start off a new school year walking up different set of steps and hearing someone other than Mr. Lelli's voice on the loudspeaker. So be thankful for these special years at Cranford High School, because others aren't as lucky.

By: Lauren Stanley



Above: Eddie Feeley gets out of the blocks in the first leg of the 4x200 relay. Eddie found that by participating in soccer and track it helped ease his transition from Orange Avenue to CHS.



Above: These freshman girls enjoy all of the excitement of Pasta Night. Thanks to their attendance, the seniors can have a great prom!



Left: Vinnie Munoz looks in awe at a Halloween costume. Vinnie could have been a winner himself in his Mickey ears.

Those Daily Cravings

Students desire some changes but are fully satisfied with many conditions.

At a certain time each day during the course of the school year, mouths watered and stomachs growled as the usual Cranford High student hungered for that needed break. Whether you had first, second, or third lunch, lunch was the perfect opportunity for a student to sigh a breath of relief and relax from the morning chaos. Although there were two different cafeterias, the underclass and the senior cafeterias, all the students seemed to share similar likes and dislikes.

Positive comments given by students were that they enjoyed eating and spending time with their friends.

"It was all right. I especially liked the cookies," is the opinion of junior Beth Ann Gorsky.

"It is a good time to see your friends," said



Above: Erica Bolinski and Nicole Pepe look cheerful as they share a hug after gym class. Either their pickle ball team won or they were looking forward to lunch.

junior Kelly Coughlin.

But, as with all positive comments some negative ones are always expressed.

"It could be longer," stated freshman Rob Sands.

One difference between the thinking of the underclassmen and the seniors was that the seniors enjoyed having their own cafeteria, with the jukebox and the added pleasure of the new outdoor tables. The underclassmen wish that they, too, could enjoy these luxuries, but they understand that it is a senior privilege.

Regardless of the complaints and whether you ate in the underclass or senior cafeteria, lunch was the best part of the day for many students.

By: Beth Decker

Michelle Alexo
Philip Andrews
Jennifer Barna
Christine Barris
Rejohn Baxter
Michael Bazilus



Alisa Becker
Christine Bender
Jeffrey Bieksha
Robert Bird
Justin Blanding
Heather Boesgaard



Erica Bolinski
Timothy Bombaci
Roseanne Bostel
Mark Brenycz
Derrick Brooks
Janelle Brown

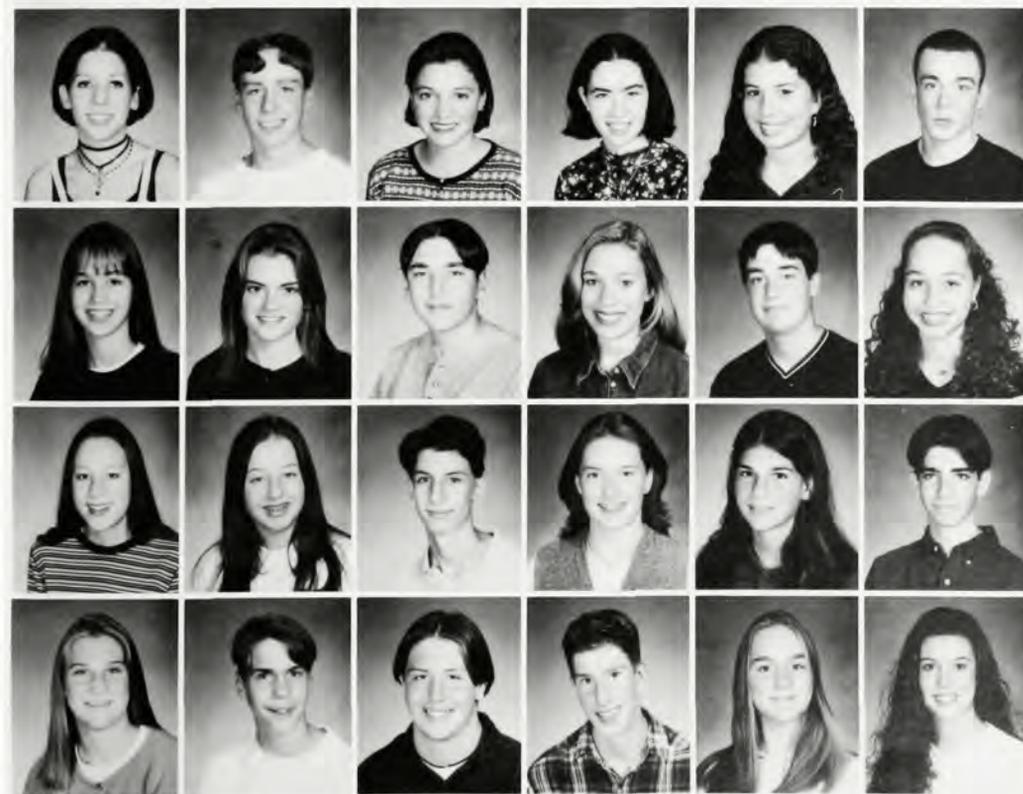


Patrick Brown
Jessica Carscadden
David Charme
Michelle Chilinski
Kathleen Coakley
Jason Colineri



Left: Sophomores Jason Harris, Lisa Lavikoff, Laura Pinto, Kevin Fontana and Geoff Rood join junior Vicki Hynes and freshman Rob Sands in relaxing after a rough afternoon of sessions at Model UN. The group of 7 unfortunately had to go to the banquet and more sessions shortly after this photo was taken.

Below: Jon Morris joins Katie McGowan in playing the piano at the Literary Society Holiday Social. Both of them really enjoyed the food made by the seniors.



Kristin Collins
Thomas Connelly
Kelly Connolly
Jamie Conroy
Melissa Coppola
Ian Cosgrove

Donna Curia
Wendy Curran
Steven D'Ambola
Diana D'Amico
Michael D'Arcy
Annika Davis

Amanda De Angelis
Jennifer De Rosa
Louis Della Serra
Elizabeth Demcsak
Joanne Devito
Stephen Ditta

Bethany Dittmar
James Doane
Terry Donovan
James Doty
Michele Drejka
Kelly Edmonds

Patrick Ekstrom
Christopher Feintheil
Stacey Flanagan
Kelly Foerst
Kevin Fontana
Sandra Friedlander



Christopher Fyhr
Christopher Gathercole
Joshua Getting
Diane Gigantino
Ian Gillespie
Evan Glien



Ethan Goldberger
Erin Goodwin
Jesse Green
Lora Grutzmacher
Brett Gurnee
Lauren Gurnee



Bobby Haber
Robert Hansen
Steven Hanus
Jason Harris
James Healey
Sarah Hensler



Meredith Hoffman-Thompson
Andrew Hubbuch
Micheal Hynick
Richard Hyra
Cheryl Jacko
John Jagusak



Nicholas Jenkins
Laura Johnston
Marie Jones
Jonathan Karmol
Brian Kelemen
Michael Kelly



Robert Ketikidis
Veronica King
Lauren Kitzhoffer
Jennifer Kozek
Ronald Kulik
Brynn Langham



Dawn Lanz
Gina Lanzafama
Michelle La Torre
Lisa Lavikoff
Jessica Liddy
Jennifer Lombardo



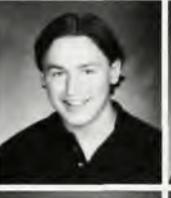


Left: This group of sophomores takes a break from biology to smile for the camera. They enjoyed spending the year learning many new and exciting scientific theories.

Below: Lauren Stanley, Annika Davis, Megan Zambell, Laura Pinto and Kaitlin Sharkey are all smiles at Kaitlin's Sweet Sixteen.



Maria Lopez
Thomas Lucash
Tania Lyons
Elizabeth Macvicar
Patrick Maher
Kathleen Mahoney



Annette Matlosz
Catherine McGowan
Michael Meier
Frank Merentino
Gregory Metchnik
Timothy Meyer



Jessica Miles
Andrew Minitelli
Eric Montgomery
Samantha Morano
Allison Morris
Jonathan Morris



Andrea Mueller
Tracey Mulvaney
Kelly Murphy
Devon Murray
Shannon Murray
Joy Musillo

Below: Kelly Murphy, Donna Curia, Laura Pinto, Jenica Springer, and Sam Morano have fun at lunch. The group though looked forward to when they are seniors and would have the jukebox and the outdoor cafeteria.



Christopher Nazzaro
Richard Noble
Brett O'Malley
Diane Oliveira
Elizabeth Opacity
Robert Orsini



Suraj Patel
John Pedde
Suzanne Peist
Nicole Pepe
Daniel Peragine
Marc Petito



Laurie Picariello
Laura Pinto
Meredith Pisaeno
Christine Polidoro
Stephanie Poszler
Lori Prodeline



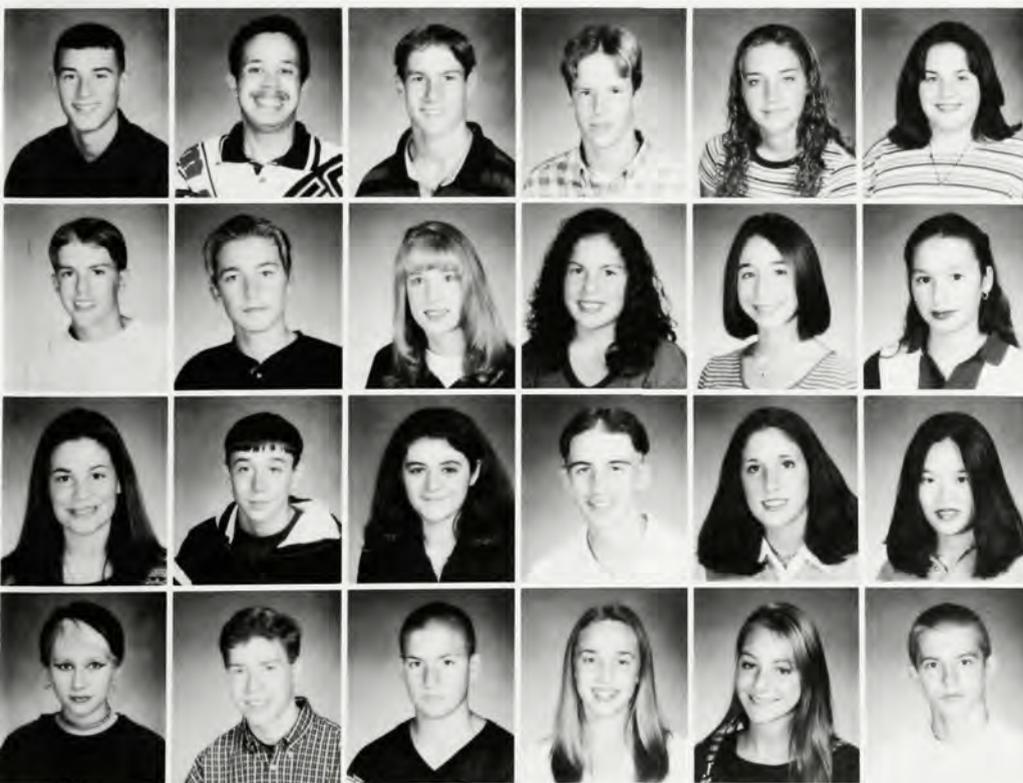
William Provod
Katherine Quinn
Jennifer Re
Jessica Reff
Marc Ricci
Anthony Richardson





Left: Laura Johnston, Maria Lopez, Annika Davis, Brynn Langham and Alexis Wolf relax in the locker room after a tough gym class. The girls enjoyed going to gym every day.

Below: Kathy Coakley, Jon Morris, Lauren Kitzhoffer, Chris Nazzaro, Amanda DeAngelis and Katie McGowan pose for a picture at the Literary Society Holiday Social. The six of them had a wonderful time that Sunday afternoon at Mrs. Dachnowicz's house.



James Richardella
Hector Rivera
Michael Rogers
Geoffrey Rood
Andrea Rosenkrans
Lindi Roy

Dean Russamano
David Ryan
Nicole Salay
Rebecca Salomon
Lauren Salvaggio
Irene Sardone

Robyn Schweitzer
Jonathan Sclafani
Josie Scotto
Robert Segear
Kaitlin Sharkey
Paulien Sia

Jessica Smith
B.J. Solomon
Gennaro Somma
Jenica Springer
Lauren Stanley
Lukasz Sternik

Timothy Styler
 Jill Sukovich
 Brian Sullivan
 Michelle Summer
 Stephanie Taberna
 Nikki Taylor



Rebecca Taylor
 Kristina Taynor
 Alan Trzuskoski
 Jamie Turner
 Ryan Ulrich
 Cara Urbanski



Miguel Vasquez
 Kathryn Verhoeven
 Joseph Vita
 Raymond Weigel
 Matthew Widdows
 Lauren Weiner



Mark Wilmont
 Gregory Winter
 Alexis Wolf
 Elizabeth Wood
 Megan Zambell
 Matthew Zanes



Michael Zulauf



Sophomores Not Pictured

Michael Daly
 Maren Kennedy
 Marie Lorusso
 Erica Vitolo
 Belkie Waight



Above: Sam Moranó, Kevin Knight, and Donna Curia pose for the camera after school one day. This proves that the Classes of 1998 & 1999 really do blend together.



Above: Sophomores Becky Taylor and Liz Wood join junior Amy Grobe during an early morning band practice. The three of them enjoyed all of the band activities this year.

"Flirting" With Disaster

How do you capture someone's attention?

In today's society, flirting takes place everyday and everywhere. Flirting is a way of showing your affection for someone in a playful, teasing way. If you say you do not take part in it, you are probably lying, because everyone does. Flirting is a force of nature and everyone has their own way of expressing their feelings. "I express my emotions with a guy by always showing interest in what he is saying even if I am not interested," said junior Sharon Leonard.

Flirting is a very broad term. Basically, it is way to get another person's attention directed towards you. However, flirting can involve almost anything, like acting stupid, cracking a joke, or using a pick-up line.

One way that many CHS students feel is effective is using eye contact. "I use eye contact to get a guy's attention and to show him that I am interested in him."



Above: Kathy Coakley and Diane Gigantino enjoy a quiet moment during the Model UN dance. The two of them had a lengthy conversation about all the guys that flirted with them during the trip.

said junior Erica Hellhake. This is a very effective means of flirting; even just a short glance in the hallway shows someone that you might be interested.

The vast percentage of students feel that flirting is a positive thing. "A girl who flirts is definitely a turn on," said Chris Faitoute. Flirting really lifts your spirits and makes you feel good inside. However, watching other people who flirt with each other right in the middle of the hallway, or the people who stand on the side ledges, can sometimes be sickening.

Flirting is something that is not to be taken lightly, even though it is a part of everyday life. Students should be careful not to take this attention getting skill too far, but it is their right to have fun and to converse with their friends.

By: Bill Harnett
and
Starr Long



Above: Bethany Dittmar, Sam Morano, Donna Curia, Becky Taylor and Lora Grutzmacher spend a quiet day together. The five of them enjoyed all of the time they spent hanging out during their sophomore year.

Right: Patt Maher, Geoff Rood and Marc Petitto have a lot of fun at Kaitlin Sharkey's Sweet Sixteen. The trio really enjoyed the entire evening of wishing Kaitlin a happy birthday.



Co-Ed Buddies

What's the deal with those guy-girl relationships?

Now that the days of cooties are finally over, more and more people are becoming involved in co-ed friendships. For years, many people have thought that these relationships can be quite beneficial. Some believe that these friendships can help you learn more about that the opposite sex (a topic that has bogged minds for generations). In fact, now that we are in high school, there are many students who have more friends of the opposite sex than of their own sex.

Some guys feel that having girls as friends helps you "get in touch with your feminine side" and help you figure out how girls react to certain situations. Also it may help you get an idea about how girls think.

"Girls can be more entertaining to talk to," stated Brian Turowski.

On the other hand, many girls feel that having guys as friends is better because



Above: Vicki Hynes, Conor Leddy, Kelly Coughlin and Kevin Knight spend some time with their new lobster friend. Did the four buddies catch it?

"girls tend to put on a front when other girls are around". And, even though it's the men who often get labeled as competitive, the same competition is alive and well in women.

"The world is lacking in nice girls at this point. Most of them can be so catty. Anyway, guys are more fun," was Nikki Virgilio's assessment of co-ed friendships.

Whether or not they believed that guys or girls made better friends there was one consensus among the student body. It doesn't matter what sex your friends are as long as they're fun, caring, understanding, and trustworthy. But, even more importantly that they treat you as an equal. President Woodrow Wilson once said, "You cannot be friends upon any other terms that upon the terms of equality" and this still holds true in the 1990's.

By: Stacey Rebello

Janis Acampora
Salvatore Angilletta
Matthew Arcieri
Roderick Arias
Daniel Ashenbach
Christopher Baran



Christina Bariese
Jeffrey Bergin
Caroline Blake
Brian Boyle
Kelly Bramwell
Brian Brown



Robert Brunner
Adam Bucciarelli
Patrick Burke
Diana Capece
Dana Caravela
Jonathan Carreto

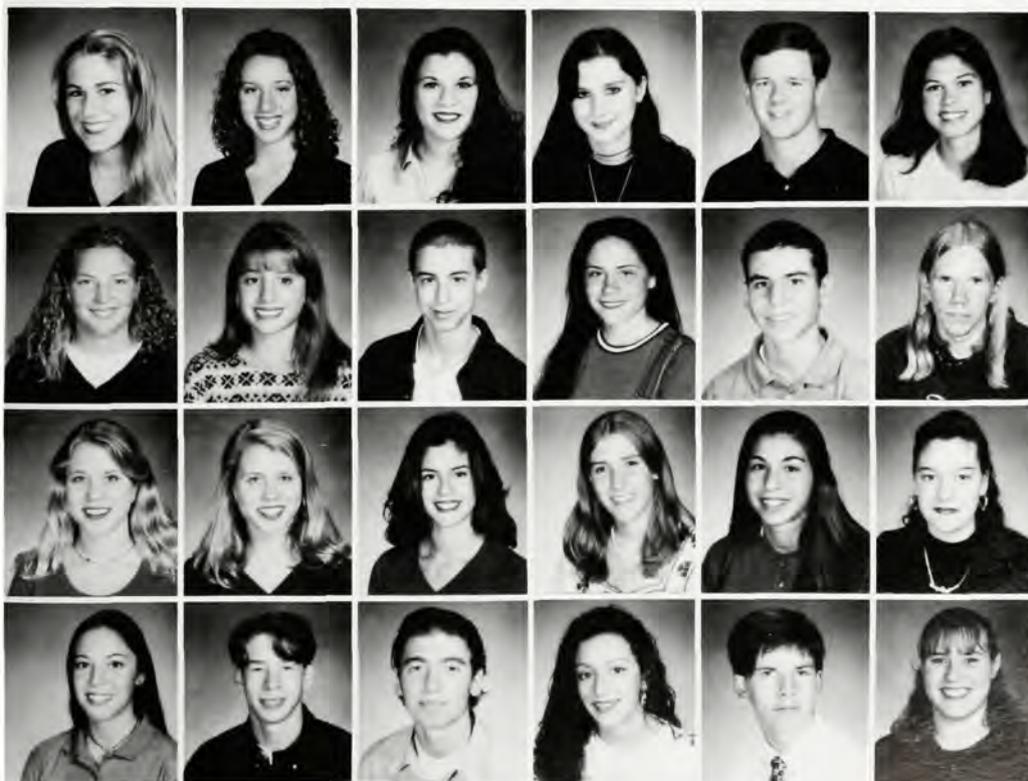


Andrew Ceci
Nicole Cerchio
Carlos Chacon
Jill Chmiel
Christopher Chu
Gregory Cierkowski



Left: Kelly Coughlin, Kevin Feeley, Jill Chmiel and Nicole Huff show their support for the Cougar football team on a Saturday afternoon. The good friends were able to spend a lot of time together and watch the football team crush Westfield.

Below: Vicki Hynes takes a break out of Band Front to say hello to Regan Stempniewicz. Were they sharing some juicy gossip or making plans for the weekend?



Laura Civile
Christine Clay
Sheryl Colarusso
Rebecca Colello
Justin Conklin
Sarah Cossa

Kelly Coughlin
Laura Crawford
Christopher Cunha
Kathleen D'Amico
Vincent D'Angelo
John Daquino

Beth Decker
Jennifer Decker
Dawn De La Fuente
Jennifer Devine
Nancy Devito
Joseph Dicosmo

Joann DiFabio
Michael Digiano
Anthony DiIorio
April Dinicolas
Robert Dinsmore
Megan Doktor

Christina Eickman
Heather Ekstrom
Audrey Ellis
Christopher Faitoute
Kevin Feeley
Nikolas Fekete



Amanda Feldman
Sean Fitzpatrick
Christopher Flaminio
Danielle Fortunato
George Fulling
Eileen Garrity



Kevin Glenn
Mara Goodgold
Beth Ann Gorsky
Amy Grobe
Michael Groeling
Brian Harley



William Harnett
John Healey
Erica Hellhake
Angelina Hertz
David Heuer
Melissa Hildeman



Kevin Holmes
Kimberley Hribar
Joseph Huang
Robert Hubbuch
Nicole Huff
Victoria Hynes



Maya Iida
Kevin Illing
Marc Ivory
Tavya Jackson
Jenny Jediny
Lauren Johnson



Sandy Jones
Carly Kaplan
Julie Kiamie
Kevin Knight
David Kochowski
Lauren Kusiv



Afshein Lashkari
Ming-Chueh Lee
Sharon Leonard
Starr Long
Jae Karlo Lopez
Micheal Luciw



Left: This third lunch group sure loves their fries! These underclassmen were thrilled to take a break from their busy schedules.

Below: Stacey Rebello and Rennie Wolters share a hug during Pasta Night. These two juniors enjoyed helping out the seniors that night.



Andrew Malko
Mendy Malko
Patrick Mamrak
Randy Matlosz
Joseph McComb
Christy McDarby

Scot McKay
Katherine Mertens
Michael Mills
Justin Moench
Mary Moffit
Amy Mollozzi

Tracy Mone
Kristi Montefusco
Joseph Muccia
Douglas Murray
Michele Nick
Debra Noble

Andrew Nordstrom
Kevin O'Donnell
William Opaluch
Collin Orshak
John Osaben
Konika Paul

David Pean
Linda Pentland
James Pfeiffer
Lori Polito
David Polonitza
Michelle Ponto



Matthew Porter
Rich Pulaski
Jaime Radakovich
Erin Radley
Justine Raftree
Kaitlin Rasmussen



Stacey Rebello
Brick Reilly
Kevin Reilly
Brian Reppert
Michael Rietzke
Ronald Roberts



Erika Robinson
Mark Saad
Jaclyn Sabo
Christopher Sallee
Denise Salon
Michael Sawicki



Christopher Sbaratta
James Schmitt
Kelly Schroek
Jeffery Schulze
Rachael Seney
Rebecca Severs



Meghan Shannon
Allison Shara
Kristine Shehady
Jason Skolnick
Stephen Skordinski
Mellisa Slavik



Eugene
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Jennie Lee Smith
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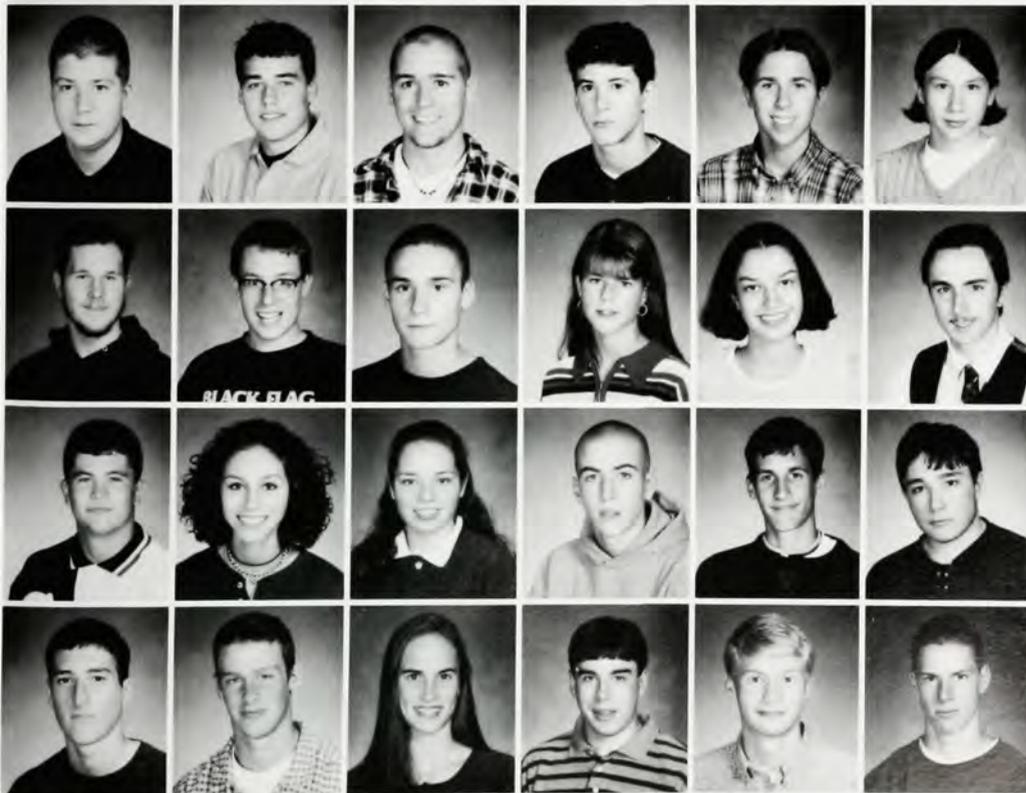


Daniel Springer
Tracy Stemmer
Regan Stempniewicz
Mark Stiansen
Inna Stranznik
Kristen Symanski



Left: John Celock, Kevin Knight, Chris Wood, Pat Maher, Conor Leddy, Starr Long, Donna Curia, Vicki Hynes and Megan Weiss have a blast during their free time at Model UN. Room 635, belonging to Conor, John, Kevin and Pat became the social center of the CHS club.

Below: Kevin Knight will go to all heights in order to build a snowman. Kevin had a lot of fun at the Teen Adventure Camp in Colorado this past summer.



William Taynor
Christopher Thee
Christopher
Thompson
Jeffrey Tierney
Brian Turowski
Derrick Tutko

Matthew Tyndall
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Scott Van De Water
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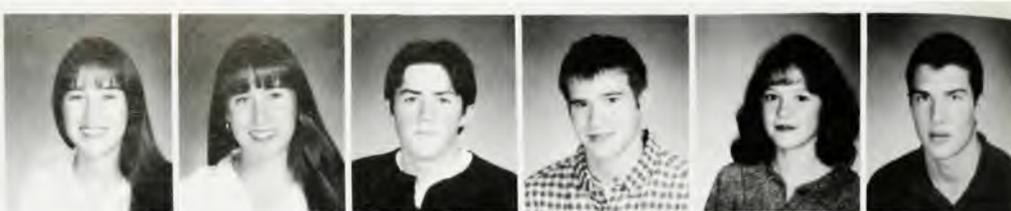
Richard Vennwald
Nicole Virgilio
Angela Viso
Matthew Walsh
Tyler Ward
Eric Weber

Shaun Weeden
Brian Weingart
Megan Weiss
James Whalen
Adam Williams
Daniel Wolf

Kimberly Wolters
 Rennie Wolters
 Christopher Woods
 Aaron Wright
 Michelle Zemlansky
 James Zielenbach

Juniors Not Pictured:

Chanel Curtis
 Jose Funes
 Brian Golden
 Elizabeth Gonzalez
 Taffey Gregory
 Melody Hodges
 Matthew Holland
 David Irving
 Jason Katsikis
 Nicholas Katsikis
 Steven LaFace
 Stephen T. Lewis
 Lisa Lopez
 Sarah Mollozzi
 Alden Moore
 Oscar A. Naranjo
 Sara Robinson
 Michael Rozman
 Alvis E. Shumate
 Roman Smiskewych



Right: Vicki Hynes, Starr Long, Jill Chmiel, Erica Hellhake, Kelly Coughlin, Laura Crawford, Megan Weiss and Nicole Huff get ready to go home from the ski trip. The eight girls had a great time that December weekend.



Above: This group of juniors looks forward to lunch all day long. The six and sophomore Jesse Green obviously had a lot of fun together during third lunch.

Right: Mara Goodgold and Dawn De La Fuente share a hug after Spanish in front of Mr. Zoppi's room. They obviously had an enjoyable lesson that day.



Above: Joyce Lee and Konika Paul stop on their way to US II in order to think about something. Did Mr. Flashberg say that the judicial branch test was today or tomorrow?



Left: Andy Nordstrom is in deep thought as he contemplates one of the most pressing questions of the day. Will the Cougar football team be successful?

The Coming Year

It's just one fear after the other.

When the end of August nears, the word "school" appears on every TV and is heard on every radio station. To some students it may just be a word, but when many hear it, it sends chills down their spine.

Freshman Nick Fassler told us what he feared most about the beginning of the school year. "I was a little afraid of the seniors, because I had heard past stories about Freshmen Friday. I was also nervous about meeting my teachers, and getting used to finding my way around, because the high school is so big."

Patrick Maher, a sophomore, had this to say. "This is a time to be focused, not foolish! It's a time for imagining the possibilities and pursuing them."

After about a week, most CHS students were used to their teachers, and they were able to find their way around. This may have seemed like a good thing, but then



Above: Kim Hribar and Mara Goodgold stop in the hall in order to share a hug. From the looks on the duo's faces, neither had that many fears about junior year.

there were even more fears to be faced, as the year wore on. Most students began to fear tests, quizzes and other academic work.

When the end of the first marking period neared, what was the most common fear among CHS students? They dreaded getting their report cards.

"When I sat in homeroom waiting to get my report card, I was afraid of getting even one bad grade on my report card. I was also afraid of what my parents would say when I showed it to them," said freshman Christine Schmitt.

As the end of the school year approached, all the students' fears were put to rest, as they thought about the upcoming summer vacation. However, when next September rolls around, do not be surprised if the same fears arise again.

By: Katie Mahoney



Above: Juniors Kevin Reilly and Erin Radley share a laugh during class. Who says that school is not fun?



Above: Rajaun Baxter, Alden Moore, Oscar Naranjo and Tony Richardson are all smiles during lunch. They are probably making plans for their upcoming weekend?



Left: Regan Stempniewicz, Sarah Cossa, Caroline Blake, Julie Kiamie, and Mara Goodgold stopped for a breath of fresh air after the first day of school. These five had a blast during their junior year.



Above: Sophomores Kevin Fontana and Eric Montgomery join their senior mentor, Beau Macksoud, in giving a thumbs-up to the Cross Country team. They are proud that the boys were 15th in the State Sectionals and the girls were 2nd in the County.

Right: Ms. Podbelski's seventh. Economics class takes a break class to see the first snow fall of 1997. The class worked hard all year on their student company.



Above: Miss Hilborn's period 6 Introduction to Publications class takes a much needed break from cropping and proofreading to pose for the camera. Thanks guys for all of the work that you did for the yearbook this year.

Right: Maureen Jennings, Kelly Ulrich, Susan Brown, Erin Ulrich and Debra Pearl take a break during the Halloween Peer Dance. The five girls thought that Peer helped their transition from Junior High to CHS.



Left: This group of juniors takes a break to pose for the yearbook before their English III class. They loved studying British Literature and especially *Macbeth* this year.

Above: Michelle and Danielle Chilinski enjoy a hug at home on Christmas. The two of them, this winter, were the Union County Champions in the High Jump.

CLASS OFFICERS & ADVISORS



Left: Senior Class Advisors Mrs. Enid DeLuca and Mrs. Jona Fitzgerald join President Dave Feder, Vice President Fionn Fitzgerald, Treasurer Bill Hansen and Secretary Lauren Porter for a breath of fresh air. All six of them worked hard this year on prom planning.

Below: Junior Class Officers, Secretary Julie Kiamie, Treasurer Tyler Ward, Vice President Dawn De La Fuente and President Tina Shehady join their advisors Ms. Judy Podbelski and Mrs. Catherine Carolan for an early morning meeting. The group met frequently during the school year to plan for their prom next year.



Above: Sophomore Class Officers, Secretary Katie McGowen, President Jesse Green, Vice President Alisa Becker and Treasurer Nicole Pepe take a much needed rest while planning exciting fund raising activities. The sophomores really enjoyed all of the activities their officers planned this year.

Right: Freshman Class Officers, President Kevin Bostel, Vice President Amie Borges, Treasurer Lisa Cavicchioli and Secretary Stephanie Risse join their advisors Mrs. Marigold Quade and Mr. Richard Geis, one early morning. They planned many exciting activities including a very successful January candy sale.



"WE DON'T WANT TO GROW UP!"

Seniors enjoy their final moments of fun and freedom before grad.

None of us really want to grow up—childhood is much too much fun! However, as graduation approaches and we begin getting ready to head off to college or work next year, we have to move forward but do we also have to leave those wonderful memories behind?

NEVER.

When you and your friends sit around reminiscing, can you remember your first boy-girl birthday party? How about the first time you got behind the wheel of a car and you pushed in the brake so hard you almost sent your dad into the dashboard? What about the time you dressed up for Halloween in third grade and won the costume contest with the outfit your mom slaved over for hours just so you could

show off in front of all of your friends?

All of these special memories are too precious to be forgotten and as you begin to prepare yourself to leave Cranford High forever, think back over the years and allow yourself the sentimental pleasure of being a child again and feeling all of those wonderful feelings of youth. Remember each of your inspirational teachers, coaches, and friends who guided and loved you, remember all of the laughs and tears, and most of all, remember all of the lessons you have learned through the years and how ready you are now to grow up and move ahead, to plan and shape your own future and to truly become your own person.



Above: Mrs. McKay, a teacher at Walnut, wants to wish her former students success in their future. "Congratulations to my first Kindergarten class at Walnut Ave. School," she wrote to her lucky graduates to be.

Right: Eric Ferreira, Dave Feder, Adrienne Furino, Chris Sands, and Jen Sands look frightened as they line up for their first day of kindergarten. Things have certainly changed, as these five boldly move ahead towards graduation where they will line up together one final time.



RIGHT: Allison Genovese, Linda Haustein, and Traci Prutzman take the ride of their lives in a hot air balloon in third grade. As seniors, the girls plan to soar into college.

BELOW: For seniors Dave Morehead, Jim D'Arcy, Keith Tarulli, and Beau Macksoud, giving bunny ears was the cool thing to do in the summer of '88.



ABOVE: Dan Salomon picks up Tammy English in his "hot wheels." Now, Dan and Tammy can be found driving their real wheels.



Q: Do you have a special childhood memory that you will never forget?

A: "I will never forget playing "submarine," and flipping chairs upside down in Jen and Chris Sands's basement." Lynsey Borges (12)

A: "My special memory is when I was riding under the bridge downtown, I fiddled with the door and fell out of a moving car! It was a ball." Colin McFadden (12)

A: "I remember constructing the Washington Monument out of sugar cubes with Heather White in third grade." Amy Matz (12)

A: "Back in Orange Avenue, when everyone had milk and crackers at snacktime, and someone spilled chocolate milk on my head!" Ed Bombaci (12)

LEFT: Lauren Porter, Abby Dreyer, and Lauren Charme share a group hug in the cold weather. While all sported stylish garb, Lauren took the cake with her "Freaky Freezers."



JAMES ADDESSO

Jim, You were the perfect baby- Now you are the perfect man! Tackle all your dreams. Love and happiness always. *Love, Mom, Don, Nicole, and Tara.*



MICHAEL ALEXO

Congratulations, Mike, We are very proud of you. *Love, Mom and Dad*



CHRISTOPHER ARCE

You are a wonderful son. I wish you a great future. *Love, Mom.*



JOSH BARR

Do what brings you joy in life. Be proud of yourself- We are! *Congratulations and much love, Mom, Ruben, and Jessica.*



GREGORY BAZILUS

May your climb to the top always be easy and filled with fun and laughter. *Love, Mom, Dad, Steve, and Mike.*



JULIA BECKER

Words do not express how proud we are of you. *Love, Mom, Dad, Alisa, and Joanna.*



KERRYANNE BENDER

Ker, you are beautiful and bright enough to do anything in life. It's all yours! *We love you, Mom, Dad, and Kris.*



PATRICK AND LOUIS BOCK

Words cannot express our love for you both- Congratulations- We're so proud of you! *Love, Mom, Melissa, Mariah, and Nick*



ED BOMBACI

Ed, may you always be this happy! We're very proud of you. *Love, Mom, Dad, Dan, and Tim.*



LYNSEY BORGES

Lynsey, be true to your heart and follow your dreams. Be all that you can be. The world is yours - go for it. We are so proud of you and love you so much. *Always and Forever Dad, Mom, and Amie*



ERIC BRIBIESCA

"May the Force Be with You." *Our love always, Mom, Dad, Jami, Zach, and Phoebe.*



JENNIFER BROWN

Congratulations! You're the best! You can do anything you set your mind to. *Love, Mom, Dad, Pat, and Sue.*



MONIQUE BROWN

I wish you lots of luck in your near future. *Love always, Mom.*



RICHARD BRUGGER

We always knew you had talent! We're very proud of you! Congratulations! *Love and Happiness, Mom and Dad.*



DAN BRYER

Wherever life takes you, our love goes with you and our pride. *Love, Mom, Meredith, and Mike.*



VICTOR BURISCH

Hey Vic, How's this for being buff. To a special son and brother, May all your dreams come true. *Love, Mom, Dad, Mandie, and Anthony.*



ASHLEY CALDWELL

Ashley, you make us very proud and fill our hearts with Love-always.



BRIAN CALDWELL

"What a kid" You can do anything you want! *Love, Mom, Dad, and Jennifer.*



COLLEEN CARNEY

Where has the time gone! You will always be beautiful and special to us. Good luck in college! The future is bright ahead. We love you, *Mom, Dad, Joseph, Jeffrey, and Katie.*



CHRISTINE CAVICCHIOLI

Christine, May there always be joy in your life. Congratulations! *We love you, Mom, Dad, and Lisa.*



JOHN CELOCK

John, Congratulations!
You've lit up our lives,
now light up the world.
Follow your dreams and
don't stop thinking about
tomorrow. Bonne Chance!
Love, Mom and Dad.



LAUREN CHARME

Congratulations on all your
achievements! May you
fulfill all your hopes and
dreams in the future. We are
very proud of you and love
you very much. *Mom, Dad,
and David.*



**DANIELLE P.
CHILINSKI**

You can dream anything!
Celebrate life for it holds
endless possibilities! Keep
laughing and smiling!
Always be happy! *We love
you, Dad and Mom.*



JONATHAN COBOS

Jonas, may all you dreams
come true and much
happiness wherever you go,
whatever you do. Love you
forever, Mommy.



MARLA G. COHEN

You are going to succeed
beyond your wildest
dreams. *We love you,
Mom, Rick, and Bobby.*



MICHAEL C. COLEMAN

Congratulations Mike, We're
all proud of you. *Love, Mom,
Dad, Sandy, Grandpa, and
Cuchulain.*



SARA COLLETTE

To our favorite daughter
("Snickerdoodle"). May
all your dreams come true!
*We love you, Mom and
Dad.*



STEVEN COMITINI

Steven, Follow what is in
your heart, it will take you a
long way in life. Best of luck!
Dad and David.



**ROSEMARIE
CONNELLY**

As from the beginning,
our pride and joy you will
always be. A whole new
world is yours. *With love
always, Mom, Dad,
Tommy, and Catherine.*



KATHLEEN CONRAD

We are so proud of you! May
all your dreams come true.
*Love, Mom, Dad, and
Christine.*

**RYAN CUBELO**

We are all so proud of you. *Lots of love, Mom, Dad, Heather, Sheba and Ollie.*

**TINIKI CURTIS**

You have been a joyful daughter ever since the day you were born. Your father would be real proud of you. Wish you much success, happiness and prosperity. *Love, Mom, Chanel, Chaz and Shannon.*

**MICHAEL D'AGOSTINO**

To our special "#50" and "ACE." Take lifes' dreams and endeavors with the determination you have on the playing field and you will succeed in life. You made us proud. *Love you, Mom, Dad, and Allie.*

**JIM D'ARCY**

Congratulations, Jim. You've always made us proud! *Love, Mom, Dad, Mike, and Christine.*

**ERIC DALE**

You have fulfilled all of our dreams. Now go for yours. *Love, Mom, Dad, and Renee.*

**JOHN M. DALY**

John, We're very proud of you. *All our love always, Mom, Pop, Dan, and Pat.*

**AMY MARIE DAVIDOWITCH**

Ame, Stay happy, healthy, confident, strong and determined to reach your dreams. We're so proud of you! Congratulations! *All our love, Mom, Dad, Kristin, and Darcy.*

**LARSSON DAVIS**

Build beautiful dreams for an exciting twenty first century! *Loving hugs, Mom, Dad, Annika, Grandma, and Pop.*

**LISA DECKER**

Congratulations. We're so proud of you. Hoping all kindness you've given to others is returned to you. We'll always be here for you. *Love, Mom, Al, Kara, and Jonathan.*

**MARIO DELMONACO**

Hope you will experience joy in your life, as we have experienced joy in having you in our life. *Mom and Dad*



CAREN DEMYEN

"Molly B" We are so proud of your many accomplishments and wish you a happy and successful future. We love you! Mom, Dad, Jimmy, and Shelby



LAURA DESIDERIO

Cuppie Cakes You're the only sane one in the bunch. We love you so! Buff Bomb Brute Bip Poop Tigger



ALISA DETORE

We wish you only the best for you, you deserve it all. Good Luck and Congratulations! Love, Mom, Tony, and Leah.



FRED DOANE

Congratulations! We wish you much happiness and success in all you do. Love you always, Mom and Dad.



DIANA DOLLARD

May all your dreams come true and all your plans work out. We're proud of you. Love, Dad, Mom, Mary, Michael, Barkley, Choc, and Nel.



ALANA DOTY

Remember to laugh, to dance, to sing. Take life as it comes and find the good... and make time to dance. We love you, Mom, Dad, James, Nora, and Julia.



KERRY DREXLER

We are so proud to have such a wonderful son as you. May all your dreams come true. Love, Mom, Dad, and Casey.



ABBY DREYER

Congratulations! You're the best. You have always kept smiling and we love you for it. Love, Mom and Dad.



TAMMY ENGLISH

Tam, you have always made us proud. We wish you love, happiness and success in the future. May all your dreams come true. Love, Mom, Dad, Scott, Lynn, and Rocky.



DAVID EURELL

If we could only bottle all of that energy and good humor. Congratulations! Love, Mom, Dad, and Valerie.

**KELLY FARRELL**

Kellimeg, Kellis, Kellster . . . to the youngest comedienne ever born and the winner of the "baby-with-the-plumpest-cheeks-contest" we wish you as much laughter and joy in college as you have given in your first 18 years! *Mom, Dad, Erin (and Shannon of course).*

**JILIAN FAZIO**

It's time, Jilian, Go find "your corner of the sky." We're proud of you. *Love Mom, Dad, Marisa, Gabriele*

**DAVID FEDER**

Just remember: The rabbit rakes, the piggy hoes, the raccoon plants the long long rows and the owl waters the lawn. Bye. *Love Mom, Dad, and Katie*

**BIANCA FERNANDEZ**

Happiness in your heart, peace in your mind, angels on your pillow. *Mommy, Luca, Mika and Mouse*

**ERIC JONATHAN FERREIRA**

With pride we have watched you develop into a fine young man. Success is at your feet. With your ability, motivation and attitude you will achieve your goal. May your future hold love, good health, happiness and the realization of your dream. Congratulations! We love you. *Love, Mom, Dad, Adam and Nonnie*

**NICHOLAS C. FIORELLO**

Want to know another secret? "We love you a 'whole bunch'!" *Mom, Dad, Tim and Grandma*

**FIONN FITZGERALD**

Fionn, For us this year has gone by much too fast! We're proud of all you've done. The future will only make us prouder! *Love, Mom, Don and Grandpa*

**CHRISTINE L. FORLINI**

Chris, Congratulations! We knew you could do it. *Love, Mom, Dad, Lauren, Nona and Chelsea*

**LORYN FORRESTER**

May your life be filled with the same love n'happiness you have given to us. *Love Mom, Erryn, Kristynn, Dad*

**KRISTINE FOULDS**

Kristine, We love you very much. May all your dreams and goals come true. *Love you, Mom and Dad*



MICHELLE FOULDS

Michelle, we love you very much. Never lose your love of life. *Love you, Mom and Dad*



ADRIENNE FURINO

Congratulations, we are very proud of you. May all your dreams come true. *Love, Dad, Mom, Christopher*



ALLISON GENOVESE

Allie, you have made all of our lives happier. Always remember we are family, and you have made us proud of you. *Love, Dad, Mom, and Daniel* To my Baby Doll- You are my sister and best friend. Your special qualities will take you far and no one deserves it more! *I love you- Lauren*



CHRISTOPHER GILBERTSON

Chris, we wish you every happiness. Always remember we love you best. *Love Mom, Dad, Keith and Julie.*



STEPHANIE GLIEN

Steph, Congratulations. We are very proud of you. May all your goals in life be reached. *Love, Mom, Dad and Evan*



DANIELLE GONCALVES

It's on to bigger and better things for you. We are so proud of what you've accomplished so far. *Love, Mom, Chrissy, and the rest of the gang.*



BONNIE GOODWIN

As you slide down the banister of life, don't get a splinter in your career! *Congrat's Mom, Dad, Erin*



MICHAEL GORDON

Thanks for many happy memories. We wish you much happiness and success. *Love Mom and Dad*



PATRICK GORMAN

Budd, By the time you read this we'll be long gone. No matter what they say we'll always love you. *Mom, Dad, Arnie K., and Tara*



JEFFREY GUTHERZ

You have always been our comic relief! But seriously- Congratulations!! *We love you! Mom, Dad and David*



RYAN HAMILTON

YOU DID IT!! Some people said it would never happen; but once again, you proved them wrong. *We love you, Congratulations! Mom, Dad, Erin, Eric*



BILL HANSEN

Bill- Make the world a better place- remember it's all in the follow-through. *Love, Dad, Mom, Hal, Shadow and Maggie*



PAUL HARRISON

Paul, Enjoy Being. *Love Mom, Grandma, Carol, Terry, Willie, Coby, and M.S.P.*



LINDA HAUSTEIN

We love you enormously. We marvel at your accomplishments. We respect the person you have become. We know the future will be bright and successful. The world is yours- seize it! *Love You Always, Dad, Mom, Douglas and Noodles*



DIANE HICKEY

Diane- We are very proud of you. It's been so much fun watching you grow. We know that you will meet the future with the grace and intelligence you bring to all things. *All our love, Mom, Dad, Robin and Brianne*



DAN HOLLAND

We are very proud of you. *Love Mom and Dad*



MAXWELL A HORMILLA

Congratulations Max! May all your dreams come true. We love you! *Love, Mom, Dad, Julian and Natalie.*



RICHARD HORN

Richie, Every day with you has been an adventure! Never let go of your dreams- work hard and stay focused. The big leagues will find you. *Love Always, Mom and Dad*



BLYTHE HUBER

Blythe, We all wish you the best in everything you do. *Love, Mom, Pop and Brett*



WILLIAM BARON HUNT

Bill, You are a wonderful son! We wish you much happiness and success in all you do --- You deserve the best! *Love you --- Mom and Pat*



ANDY JOBE

You have made us very proud. Congratulations!



KYLE B. JOHNSON

"May you build a ladder to the stars, may you stand upright and strong, and may your heart always be joyful." *We love you, Mom and Eric, Dad and Lillian, and Mitzi.*



BETH JOHNSTON

Beth, Congratulations!! May all your dreams come true! We all love you very much. *Mom, Dad, Katie, Laura, Sarah and Rob.*



MAY LUCENE KACHOGIAN

Your bright spirit and self-motivation make you **THE BEST.** Mommy, Dad and Brian are so proud and happy. Congratulations.



KIMBERLY KALTREIDER

Kim, you'll ALWAYS be special in your very own special way!! (And never lose that lively enthusiasm.) Much love, happiness and success. (You do look wonderful up there!) *With pride and love, Mom, Dad and Chris*



GABRIELLE GAIL KANTROWITZ

Peach Blossom/Pardner- From the moment you were born you have always made us so proud of the person you were becoming. Let the Lord guide you throughout your life and you will be richly blessed. *Love, Mummy/B.D. Congratulations Big Sis! Wrinkles*



TARA KLEBAUR

Tara, We're so proud of you! Follow your dreams, wherever they may lead. We love you. *Mom, Dad, Devin and Bridget*



ALEXIE KUPKA

Vault to the future. Sprint to success. Jump to new heights and find happiness! We love you. *Mom, Dad, Kim*



AMY LABONTE

Amy, May your future be as bright as your smile. Congratulations! We are proud of you. *Love, Mom, Dad, Aaron and Jennifer*



APRIL LANZ

The world is at your feet-go for it, *Love Always Mom and Dad*



MELISSA LEVINE

"Keep on Truckin' Sweet Melissa." You're the best! Love, Mom, Dad, Josh and Katie



DAINA LIEBERMAN

Daina, You're our blue ribbon winner! Love, Mom, Dad, Laura and Scott



JOE LIMONE

Joe, we are all very proud of you. Keep up the good work! Love, Mom, Dad, Cathy, Gram and Jerri



KENNETH LUTZ

You always had spirit and dreams you made come true. Never let go of your dreams. We're proud of all you've accomplished. Love, Mom, Dad, Denise and Randy



PETER LYONS

Peter- You're the greatest- we love your music, your wit, but most of all you! Congratulations, Mom, Dad, Matt and Katie



BEAU MACKSOUD

"May you build a ladder to the stars And climb every rung And may you stay, - - - forever young" Love, Mom, Dad, and Jenn



JENINE MAGGIO

All the stars in the sky don't shine as bright as you do in our lives. Shine on forever. Love, Mom and Dad



COLLEEN A. MAHONEY

Coll, Congratulations on your achievement and all your hard work. We love you very much. Mom, Dad, Katie and Toto



TODD MARIANO

Congratulations, Todd. From the Allagash, the Adirondacks, and Asta, God has blessed you with a path of adventure, achievement, and honor. Thank you for the joy you have added to our family. Seek the higher trail! Loving you, Mom, Sarah Jane, Baba and Grandpa.



DAVID MARKOWITZ

Congratulations David! We are so proud of you. May your future be blessed with hopes and dreams come true. We send you off with "roots and wings" and all our love, Mom, Dad, and Johnny



EVAN MARX

Evan, it's been a joy seeing you mature in your art and life. *Live long and prosper- Love- Mom, Dad and Raimi*



RYAN DATA MATLOSZ

"As you walk thru your day, we offer our hands to guide you, our hearts to love you, and joy to share with you." *Love Mom, Dad and Randy*



JILL MATTIS

Beans; Wishing you all the luck and success in the world. Sweet dreams are made of these! *Love, Mom, Dad and Jess.*



AMY MATZ

Look out world- here comes Amy! Wishing all the wonderful things life has to offer to our Mamie. *Love ya- Dad Mom Tim and Kenny*



SUSAN MATZ

Sue- May the road ahead be filled with love, happiness and success. We love you. *Mom, Dad, Jill and Phillip*



LISA MCCARTHY

We are so proud of the individual you have become. Lots of love and good luck! *Mom, Dad, Frank, Brian and Pop, Rambo, Sammy and Carly*



COLIN MCFADDEN

Colin, you made it! *We're so proud of you, Mom, Dad and Karen*



JACK MCFADDEN

May you always have health, peace and prosperity; you will always have Mom's, Dad's, Tara's and Erin's love



AMY MC GRATH

Congratulations Amy! Whatever you wish to achieve is yours if you only believe! *Love Mother and Dad*



KERIANNE MCGUIRE

Kaybay, All grown up- but you'll always be our baby!! *Love, Mom and Dad*



VANESSA MEEHAN

Vanessa, May all your hopes and dreams come true in life because you deserve only the very best. We love you! *Love, Mom, Dad and Brad*



DAVID MICHAEL MOREHEAD

Invite God to be your pilot as you ride through life. Thank you for all the joy you have given us. *Love, Dad and Mom*



JANELLE MOTHERSILL

Janelle, We are very proud of you. Follow your dreams—the sky is the limit. *Love Mom and Dad*



JOHN NEWMAN

John— "Set the gear shift for the high gear of your soul." May the road you choose lead you to success and happiness. Have fun at college. We are so proud of you! All our love, Mom, Dad, Julie and Tom



RYAN OLESKY

Congratulations, Ryan. You have found your way up in life and brightened our lives in the process. *Love, Mom and Dad*



AMY ORISCELLO

Congratulations Amy. We're so proud of you! We couldn't be happier. *Love, Mom, Dad, and Greg*



KRIS OSEREDCZUK

Congratulations Kris- you've made us proud. Love you always. *Mom, Dad, Nick and Mugsy*



KEVIN PEMOULIE

May your future be filled with as much happiness and laughter as you've brought us. *We love you, Mom and Dad*



PATRICK PEPE

Patrick, Daddy and I always had high expectations for you. Hold the dream everything is possible. We'll always be proud of you. *Love Mom and Nicole*



MELISSA PEREZ

Melissa, May there be no happiness you can't achieve, no dream you can't fulfill. We are proud of you. *Love Mom, Dad and Gregory*



MICHAEL PERRETTE

Wherever the path you choose may lead, you'll always be close in our hearts. *We love you! Mom and Marc*



ERICA PLATT

Congratulations, Er! We wish you a life filled with happiness, success and the best of luck always. *Love, Mom, Dad and Jeremy*



EMILY POLESHUCK

113 bus from Cranford to NY; walk N. on 8th; turn R. on 57th; walk to 7th; It's on the corner.



RICHARD POLLAK

Fireman, test-pilot, musician, high-school graduate. . . other worlds to conquer. We love you. *Mom and Dad and Emmy.*



LAUREN PORTER

Lauren, babe, you were the best Christmas present, ever! Thank you for all the joy you have given us. Our love and best wishes for your future happiness! *Mom, Dad, Matt and Mike*



TRACI PRUTZMAN

"Our Baby" - Congratulations! Your future can be that perfect "10" only if you want it to be! *Love, Mom, Dad, Tara, Todd and Nan*



ERIKA QUINTANA

Erika: Congratulations and good luck. I love you very much. *Love always, Mom*



NELSON QUINTANA

Nelson, We love you very much. You are a perfect 10+ to us. *Love Mom, Dad, Jessica, Dana, Joey.*



JILL REDLUND

Congratulations Jill. We are so proud of you and of your determination to succeed— it's worked and will continue to work! We love you, *Mom, Dad, Molly and Muffin*



ADAM REINHARD

May your life bring you as much joy as you have given us. Good luck! *Love, Mom, Dad, Kim and Eric*



**HEATHER LEY
REMBERT**

May all your dreams come true and may they be everything deserving the princess you are. *Love, Mom, Dad, Ricky, Beth*



JULIE RENEDO

From a cute, inquisitive baby, you have become a beautiful intelligent young lady. You make us proud! *Love, Mom and Dad*



CARRIE RENTZ

You breezed through life with your eyes closed and made it all the way. *Love Mom, Sheila and Joey*



ALEX RESZETYLO

We hope all your dreams will come true. Love and success to you. *Mom and Dad*



**KIMBERLY
REYNOLDS**

Kim, Success is yours! Good luck with all your dreams! Love you forever! *Mom, Dad, Jen and K.C., Cindy and Vic.*



JESUS ROSADO

We are family, and no matter how far- we'll always be there for you. *Love Always Mom Grandma Annie Vicky Bernice Pam Fernando Chris David Victor Carmen and Frankie*



JOSELITO RUBANTE

Good luck in everything you decide to do! *Love Mom, Dad, Crystal and Stephanie*



MARISA RUFOLO

Our wishes are for you to have great success and to be happy. You are a wonderful and beautiful person. We all love you. *Love Mom and Dad Steve and Marisa*



DANIEL SALOMON

Daniel, We are very proud of you! May all your dreams come true. *Love, Mom, Dad and Rebecca*



**CHRISTOPHER
SANDS**

Never give up on yourself-you have a lot to offer this world. *Love, Mom, Dad, Jen, Rob and Kate*



JENNIFER SANDS

We are very proud of you and wish you lots of success in the future, you can be anything you want. *Love, Mom, Dad, Chris, Rob, and Kate.*



BRIAN SARGENT

Brian, we are very proud of you. We wish happiness and success in whatever you do. May all your dreams come true. *Love you, Mom, Dad, Kevin, and Grandma.*



DANIELLE SCHIPPER

Danielle, may your life be filled with love and joy. We are very proud of you. *Love, Mom, Dad, and Skip.*



ROBERT SCHULTZ

We knew you could do it! *Love, Mom, Gary, and Jason.*



JULIE SCHWEITZER

Julie, we wish you the best life has to offer. Follow your dreams; listen to your heart; be happy. *With love and pride, Mom, Dad, and Robyn.*



RICH SHACKELL

Never lose your sense of humor. Always reach for the stars, and always remember we love you. *Mom, Dad, and Laurie.*



KIM SHEARA

Congratulations to our special baby. May your future be as bright as you have made our lives. *We love you, Mom, Dad, Keith, and Eric.*



TRACY SWACKHAMER

Congratulations Tracy! We are so proud of all you have accomplished both on and off the track. You are truly the cats meow and we love you so much! *Love, Mom, Dad, Rick, and Mike.*



KATIE SZYMONA

You'll always be our Miss. America! *Love, Mom, Dad, and Andrea.*



ERIC TARDIF

Work hard, laugh often, and love much. We're proud of you! *Love, Mom, Dad, Kevin, Jillian, Pops, and Nan.*



KEITH TARULLI

We wish only the best for you! *We love you, Dad, Mom, and Beth.*



ANDREW TRAUT

"Waterbaby" May all your dreams come true! "Love you bigger than the sky!" *Mom, Joe, and the little guys, Jonathan, Zach, and Kate.*



MARTIN VAINBERG

We hope all your dreams will come true. *Love Mom and Dad.*



MIKE VENDITTI

Congratulations! We're very proud of you and all the best in your future endeavors. *Love, Mom, Dad, Matt, and Chris.*



JESSICA WALSH

Keats, sing, sing, sing. You could even sing for your supper! *Love ya, Dad, Mom, Damian, Sean, and Muffy.*



CATHERINE WARNER

Cathy, You are our sunshine! We are so proud of you! Stay positive, keep smiling, and follow your dreams! We love you Punkie! *Mom and Ken, Daddy, Pandy, and Holly.*



LEIGH WEBER

#1 It's been so easy to be proud of you! Stay true to yourself. *Love, Mom. #2 P.A., You're the best! Love, Dad and Kim.*



AARON WERSCHULZ

Congratulations! We love you. May you always have a song in your heart. *Mom, Dad, and Nat.*



RICHARD WINTER

Wishing you many years of love, peace, and happiness. We are proud of you. *Love, Mom, Dad, and Greg.*



HEATHER WHITE

May all your dreams come true. Good Luck in college. *Love, Mom, Dad, and Jeremy.*



PAUL WHITEHURST

We are so proud of you Paul. May all your hopes and dreams come true. We love you, Mom, Dad, Justin, and Karyn.



APRIL ROSE YATES

Faring thee well now, let your life proceed by its own design. Nothing to tell, let the words be yours. I am done with mine. Love always, Mama, Daddy, Jason, and the Great Menagerie.



JENNIFER BARBARA ZEHNDER

From little cars to big. The world is an oyster, you are its pearl. Love, Mom, Dad, Chris, Fritz, and Bun-Bun.



JACLYN CLARK

Jaclyn, may all your days ahead be filled with as much love and happiness wherever you go, whatever you do. Love you forever, Mommy.



Above: This group of bathing beauties is enjoying all their fun in the sun at Camp Hoover lake. These girls can still be found hanging out together even as seniors.



Above: Brandy Cash's Dad certainly thinks that she is a "fine girl." All of her extraordinary achievements in Co-op will help her become successful in the future.



Above: John Celock and Tracy Swackhamer get into the spirit of Halloween in kindergarten at St. Michael's School. Who would have guessed that John would end up as Student Government President and Tracy as a Peer Steering Committee member?

Right: Amy Matz and Katie Szymona get psyched up for their first dance recital at the young age of four. The two dancing queens still enjoy taking dance classes together.



NOW & THEN

As we look into our future and the twenty-first century, we naturally want to look back at what has happened in our lives. Those were the simple days, filled with finger-painting, apple juice, and lego building blocks. We didn't worry about what clothes to wear or when our next paper was due. Instead, our little heads were filled with images of Smurfs, Cabbage Patch Kids, and Ghostbusters. We pegged our pants, wore jams and layers of brightly colored socks, and were proud of the million friendship bracelets running up our arms. We were young then, and so many things have changed since that time.

Yet, there are some things which haven't changed. Some seniors are still best friends with the person who was their best friend in elementary school. "I remember when Leigh Weber and I wanted to go sledding so bad... the only problem was it was the middle of August!" replied Bonnie Goodwin. "We took

our snow saucers and went "mud sledding" down this huge hill." Another pair of close friends, Julie Schweitzer and Danielle Chilinski, have been friends since second grade. However, it wasn't always fun and games for these two as Julie recalls the time, "Danielle locked me in her play-house and ran away. I was so scared!" Also, Kelly Farrell reminisces, "My favorite childhood memory is Beth Johnston and I and the never-ending adventures that our imaginations took us on."

We will be graduating this June, but as we leave behind the teachers, classes, and underclassmen at CHS, we will take with us the memories we made with the people who grew up with us.

By: John Celock
and
Julie Schweitzer



Above and Below: This group of friends eagerly awaits their first day of kindergarten. Now years later, Vanessa Meehan, Amy Matz, Heather Rembert, and Katie Szymona are still friends on their first day of senior year.



Above right and left: At five, Larsson Davis and Evan Marx knew the value of good nutrition. Now at seventeen, they seem to feel it's unimportant as they scarf down cheese fries together at lunch.



Above and Below: How lucky can Mike Venditti and Rosemarie Connelly be? They are close friends as well as cousins and no day at Cranford High would be complete with out seeing these two hanging out together in the halls.



Below right and left: Do you think Kim Reynolds found Rich Horn cute during this child development field trip? Well she certainly does now; this couple has been going out since junior year and are now child development "teachers" themselves.

Below Right and Left: Christine Cavicchioli and Lynsey Borges give a thumbs up to their friendship. Years later these best friends are still going strong.



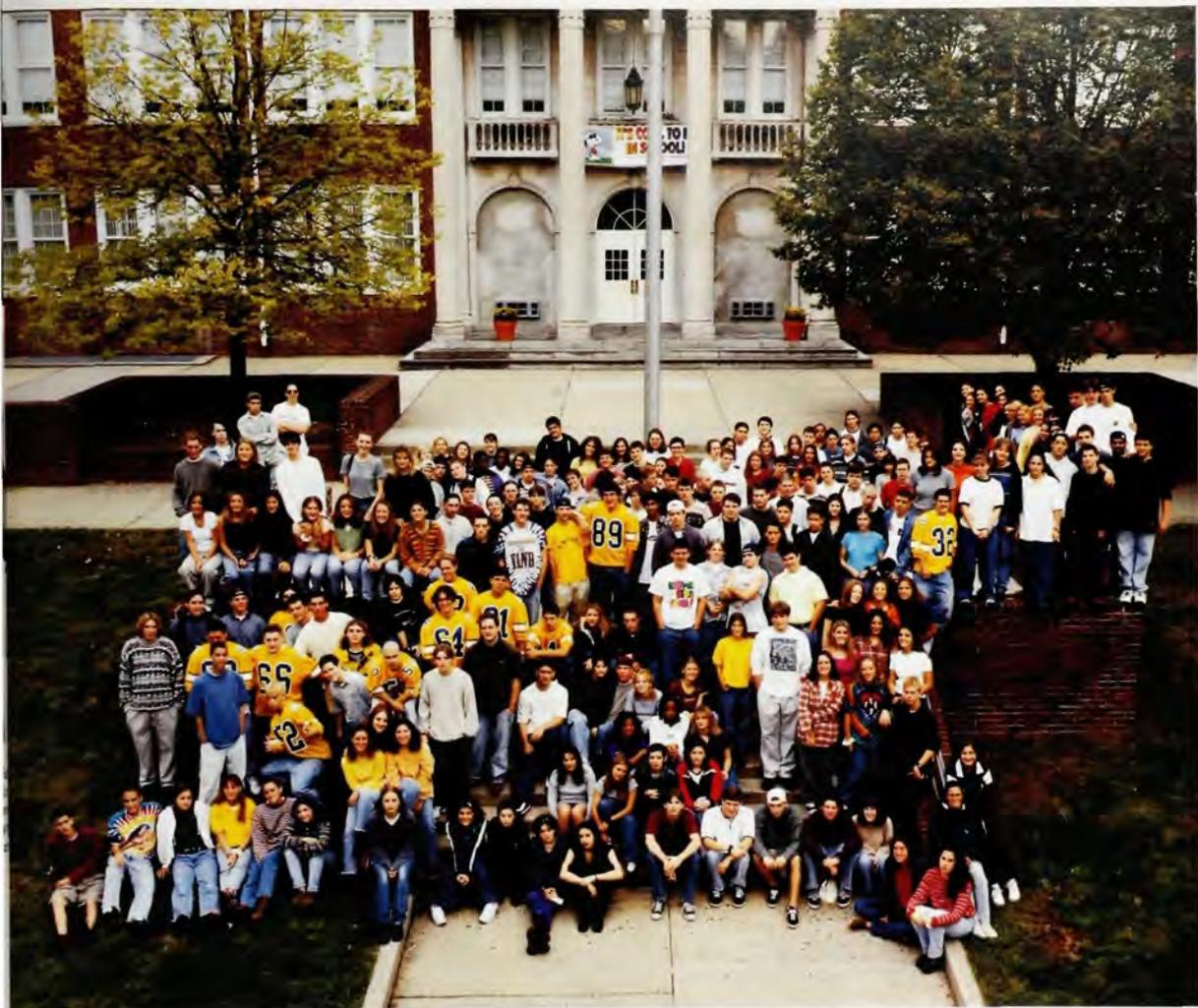
Above and Below: Jack McFadden and Brian Beirne started to bond on their baseball team when they were nine. Eight years later they still have that close bond and a pair of bunny ears to show for it.

Above and Below: Can you believe this group of sixth graders are now CHS seniors? May Kachoogian, Kris Oseredczuk, Jim Addesso, Brian Beirne, Jeff Gutherz, Brian Sargent, Diane Hickey, John Daly, Lou Bock, Rob Pizzella and Marisa Rufolo still have fun looking back on those good old days.



Imagine

... ALL THE SENIORS



Above: **CLASS OF '97.** The Class of 1997 gathers on the steps to celebrate the beginning of their senior year. They have all been anticipating this year since the beginning of high school.



Left: **WE'RE IN THE MONEY!** These lovely seniors proudly display their Pasta Night shirts. When Pasta Night ended, these seniors got together to rejoice over the successful profit they helped make for their class.

Jim Addresso, Football 9, 10, 11, 12, V, capt., Baseball 9, Basketball 9, 10, Autos Club 12, Weightlifting 9, 10, 11, 12.



James M. Addresso



Michael Alexo



Joshua M. Barr

Greg Bazilus, Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12, V

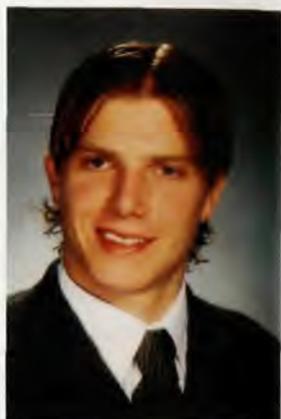
Julia Becker, Band 10, 11, 12, Fall Play 11, 12, Spring Musical 11, 12, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, French Honor Society 10, 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Pasta Night 12



Gregory Bazilus



Julia Beth Becker



Brian Beirne

Kerry Bender, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V, Winter Track 9, V, Softball 9, 10, J.V., Peer 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Sports Editor, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Pasta Night 12, Prom Committee 12, Homeroom Rep. 9, 10, 11, 12

Lou Bock, Pasta Night 12, Boys' Chorus 11, Math League 12, Homeroom Rep. 9, Ushers Club 12

Pat Bock, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Chemistry League 11, Tutorial Program 11, 12, coordinator



Kerryanne Bender



Louis Bock IV



Patrick Daniel Bock



David P. Bolanowski



Edward M. Bombaci

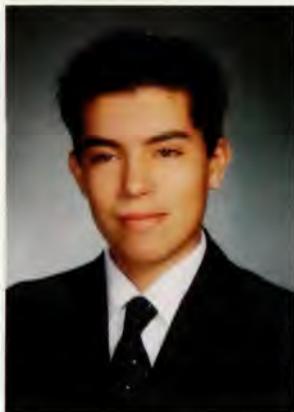


Lynsey Anne Borges

David P. Bolanowski, Math League 12, Reptile Club 9, 10, Photo Club 9, 10

Ed Bombaci, Construction Tech. Club 12, Auto Club 12, Photo Club 12

Lynsey Borges, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Winter Track 9, V., National Honor Society 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, 12, Pasta Night 12, Peer 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Latin Club 11, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Home-room Rep 10, 11, 12, Tutoring 12



Eric Raymond Bribiesca



Jennifer Anne Brown



Monique R. Brown

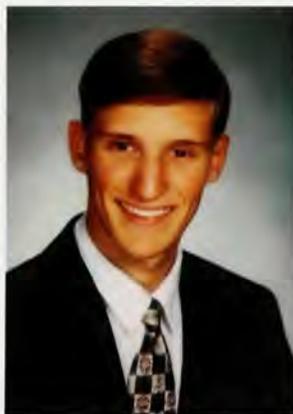
Eric Bribiesca, Bowling 10, 11, 12, JV, V., Cap., Art Club 10, 11, Art Honor Society 10, 11, Reptile Club 9

Jen Brown, Softball 10, 11, 12, V., French Club 10, 11, 12, Concert Choir 12, Latin Club 11, 12, Drug Free Youth 10, 11, Tri-M Music Honor Society 12, Math League 12

Monique Brown, Cross Country 11, 12, Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Captain, Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Captain, Hand-in-Hand Club 11, 12, Peer Facilitator 12, Pasta Night 12, Hero Club 12, V. Pres., FBLA Club 12, V. Pres.



Richard Jason Brugger



Daniel Bryer



Victor A. Burisch

Rich Brugger, Gold Band 10, 11, 12, Jazz Band 11, 12

Dan Bryer, Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Cap. 11, 12, Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Cap. 11, 12, Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Cap. 11, 12, NHS 11, 12, V. Pres. 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Cultural Awareness Club 12, Model U.N. 9

Victor Burisch

Ashley Caldwell, Track and Field 10, 11, 12 V., Ice Hockey 10, 11, 12 JV, Field Hockey 9, 10 JV, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Newspaper 12 Photography Editor, Math League 11, 12, Pasta Night 12

Brian Caldwell, National Honor Society 11, 12, Band 9, 10, 11 Drum Capt., 12 Drum Capt., Jazz Band 10, 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, French Club 10, 11, Outdoor Ed Club 9, 12, SEA 10, Pasta Night 10, 11, 12 Jazz Band, Tutoring 12



Ashley Hale Caldwell



Brian Joseph Caldwell



Colleen Carney

Doug Cameron, Basketball 9, 10 JV, Pasta Night 12, Math League 12

Brandy R. Cash, Chorus 10, Computer Graphics Club 12, Coop (Business) 12

Christine Cavicchioli, Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12 JV, V., Softball 9, 10, 11, 12 JV, V., Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12 JV, V., Band 9, 10, 11, 12, Yearbook 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, 12 Treas., Peer 11, 12, Pasta Night 12, Gourmet Club 10, 11, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12



Douglas Cameron



Brandy R. Cash



Christine Cavicchioli

John Celock, Student Government 9 Sen., 10 His., 11 Sec., 12 Pres., Spotlight 9, 10, 11 Editorial Editor, 12 Co Editor-in-Chief, Yearbook 10, 11, 12 Co People Editor, Cross Country 12 V. Co-Capt., Winter Track 11 JV, 12 V., Spring Track 11, 12 V., Pasta Night 12, Art Honor Society/Art Club 11, 12 His., Drug Free Youth 9, 10 Fundraising Chairman, 11 Fundraising Chairman, 12, Model UN 9, 10, 11, 12 Co-Chairman, Model Youth in Government 9, 10, 11, Americana Club 10, 11, 12, Code of Conduct Committee 11, Student Activities Committee 10, 11, 12, Principal's Advisory Council 12 Recorder, Principal/Student Advisory Committee 12 Sec., Commencement Committee 12 Recording Sec., Boys Chorus 9, 11, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, SEA 11, 12, Tutor 11, 12, Literary Society 11, 12, Contemporary World Affairs 11, Forensics 9, 10, Law Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Mock Trial 9, International Leadership Conference 12, Cranford Youth in Government Day 11, Presidential Classroom 12, Cong. Frank's Youth Leadership Day 12



John Robert Derevjaniak Celock



Lauren Jennifer Charme



Danielle Patricia Chilinski

Lauren Charme, National Honor Society 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 10, 11, 12 Pres., Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12 Pres., Outdoor Education Club 9, 10, 11, 12 Sec., Pres., Student Government 11, 12, Band 10, 11, 12, Yearbook 11, 12 Activities Editor, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Homeroom Rep. 9, 10, 11, 12, Pasta Night 12

Danielle Chilinski, Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12 V. Co-Capt., Winter Track 10, 11, 12 Varsity Co-Capt., Guidance Tutoring Program 11, 12 Head Coordinator, Band Front 10, 11 Capt., 12 Capt., French Club 10, 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Outdoor Education Club 10, 11, 12, Basketball 9, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Animal Rights Club 9, Literary Society 9, 10, Gourmet Club 9



Melanie Chu



Jaelyn Ann Clark



Jonathan Roberto Cobos B.

Mel Chu

Jackie Clark, KiKi, Band Front 11, 12, Pasta Night, 12, Yearbook 11, 12, YFU 9, 10, Costume Club 11, 12, Fall Play 10, 11, Math League 10, 11, Field Hockey 10, 11, Stat, Bowling 11, 12, Stat, Softball 10, Stat, Prom Committee, 12, Musical 10, 12, Forensics 10, 12, Literary Society 9, 10



Marla G. Cohen



Michael C. Coleman



Sara Nicole Collette

Marla Cohen, Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12, V. Capt., HERO 12, FBLA 12, Math league 9, 10, Prom Committee 12,

Mike Coleman

Sara Collette, National Honor Society 11, 12, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Latin Club 11, 12, Psychology Club 11, 12, Pasta Night 12, Prom Committee 12, Literary Society 9



Steven Comitini



Rosemarie Connelly



Kathleen Lynn Conrad

Steve Comitini, Football 9, 10, 11,

Ro Connelly, Cross Country 10, 11, 12, V., Co-Capt, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12, French Honor Society 10, 11, 12, Band 10, 11, 12, Literary Society 10, 11, 12, Math League, 10, 11, 12, Winter/Spring Track 10, 11 V., Project Graduation, Outdoor Education Club Treas

Kathleen L. Conrad, SEA 11, 12, Gourmet Club 10

Ryan Cubelo, Football 9, Golf, 10, 12, V., Baseball 9



Ryan J. Cubelo

Tinika Curtis, Basketball 9, Teen Center Committee 10, 11, 12, Pres., Hand-in-Hand 11, 12, HERO 12, Pres., FBLA 12, Pasta Nite 12, Prom Committee 12, Graduating Committee 12



Tinika Danette Curtis

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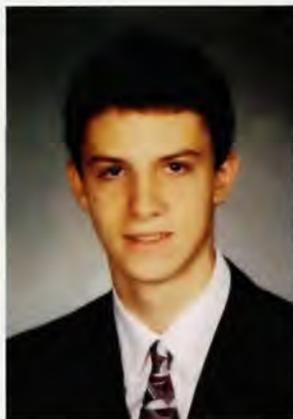
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James Richard D'Arcy

Eric Dale, Spotlight 11, 12, News Editor, Editor-in-Chief, Latin Club 10, 11, 12, Consul, National Honor Society 11, 12, Hand-in-Hand Club 10, 11, Art Honor Society 11, Art Club 11, Math League 9, 10, Pasta Nite 12, Soccer 9, 10, J.V.



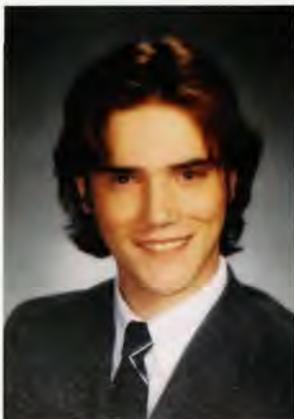
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Brian Joseph DaSilva, Bowling 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Co-Op 12



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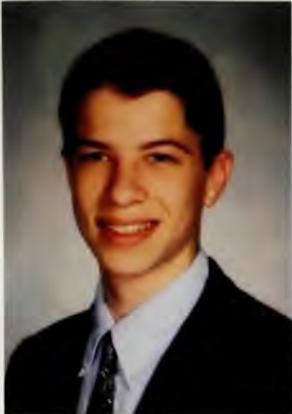
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Brian Joesph DaSilva



Amy Marie Davidowitch



Larsson Davis



Lisa Kelly Decker



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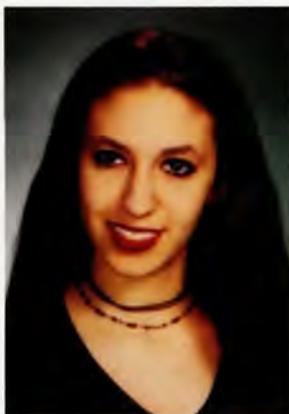
Mario Delmonaco, Band section leader 9, 10, 11, 12, Golf 9



Caren Anne Demyen



Laura Teresa Desiderio



Alisa Ann Detore

Caren Demyen, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Co-Capt., Band Front 10, 11, 12, Co-Capt., Golden C Band 9, 10, 11, 12, Section Leader, Yearbook 12, Editor-in-Chief, Spotlight 11, 12, Feature Editor, Prologue 12, Literary Editor, Wind Ensemble, 10, 11, 12, Pasta Nite 12, Math League 10, 11, 12, Peer Facilitator 12, Literary Society 9, 10, 11, Science Club 10

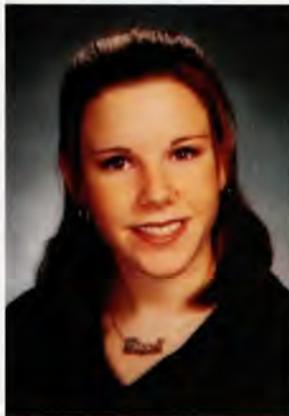
Laura Desiderio, National Honor Society 11, 12, Art Honor Society 12, Psychology Club 9, 10, Animal Rights Club 9, German Honor Society 12, Hand-in-Hand Club 12



Dino DiFabio



Fred Doane



Diana Eileen Dollard

Dino DiFabio, Soccer, 9, 10, 11, J.V., V.

Fred Doane, Photo Club 12, Wood Technology 10, 11, 12, Pres.

Diana Dollard, Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, V, Capt., Hand-in-Hand 11, 12, Math League 9, Pasta nite 12, H.E.R.O. 12, F.B.L.A. 12, Prom Committee 12

Alana Doty, Track 9, V., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Latin Club 9, 10, 11, 12, VP, Tri-M Music Honor Society, 11, 12, Hist., NHS 11, 12, Science League 9, 10, 11, 12, Outdoor Education Club 11, 12, Hand In Hand Club 10, 11, 12



Alana V. Doty

Kerry Drexler, Football 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Comm. and Graphic Arts Club 10, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12



Kerry R. Drexler



Abigail H. Dreyer

Abby Dreyer, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Student Gov't 9, 10, Sen., Peer 11, 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Sports Staff, Pasta Night 12, Softball 9, Freshmen Class VP



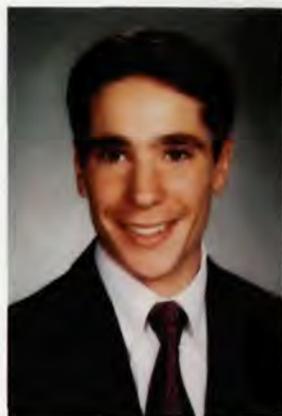
Jason Ellis

Jason Ellis, Auto Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Wood Tech 9, 10, 11, 12, Pres.



Tamar Wendy English

Tammy English "PR", German Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Pres., German Honor Soc. 10, 11, 12, Pres., Latin Club 10, 11, 12, Co-Pres., Spanish Club 12, Peer 12, Math League 10, 11, Soph. Class VP, YFU 9, 10, Tutoring 11, 12, Gourmet Club 10, 11, 12, Law Club 11, 12



Dave Eurell

Josh Evans, Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Golf 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Math League 11, 12, Hand In Hand 11, 12, Pasta Night 12



Josh Evans

Kelly Farrell, Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Softball 9, Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, Spanish Honor Society 11, Visible Women 12, Freshmen Class Tre., Student Princ. Adv. 12, Psychology Club 10, 11, Math League 12, Ushers Club 11, Pasta Night 12



Kelly M. Farrell

Jilian Fazio, Softball 9, NHS 11, 12, Field Hockey, 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Track 9, 10, V., Art Hon. Soc., 12, SEA 12, Spanish Club 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, Pasta Night 12



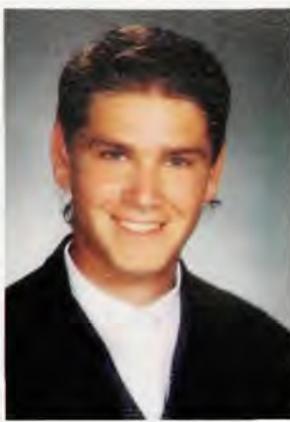
Jilian M. Fazio



David William Feder



Bianca Fritz Fernandez



Eric Ferreira

Dave Feder, Model UN 9, 10, 11, 12 Co-Chairman, Youth in Gov't 10, 11, 12 Officer, Law Club 11, 12 V. Pres., NHS 11, 12, Class Pres. 11, 12, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, French Honor Society 10, 11, 12, Mock Trial 11, 12

Bianca Fernandez, Drug-Free-Youth 9, 10, 11, 12, Pres., SEA 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Student Life Editor, Pasta Nite 12

Eric Ferreira, Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Capt., Golf 9, Model UN 9, Hand in Hand Club 9, Pasta Night, Math League 12



Nicholas Charles Fiorello



Fionn Fitzgerald-McKenna



Christine Forlini

Nick Fiorello, Autos Club 9, 10, 11, 12 Pres., Wood Tech. 9, 10, 11, 12, Concert Choir 10, 11, 12, Tenor Section Leader

Fionn Fitzgerald-McKenna, Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Basketball 9, 10, JV, Cap., Class V. Pres. 11, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11

Chris Forlini, Pasta Night 12



Loryn Forrester



Kristine C. Foulds



Michelle Ann Foulds

Loryn Forrester, Pasta Night 12, Law Club 11, Gymnastics 9, JV, Track 9, Home Representative 9, 10, 12

Kristine Foulds, Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Math League 11, 12, Pasta Night 12

Michelle Foulds, Peer 11, 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Photography Editor, Drug Free Youth Club 10, 11, 12, Sec., Winter Track 11, 12, V., Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Pasta Night 12

Adrienne Furino, Student Gov't 9, 10, 11 Parl., 12 1st V.P., Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Band Front 10, 11, 12 Capt., Field Hockey 9, 10 JV, Model U.N. 12, Math League 12, Club of Month/Member Selection Committee 10, 11, 12



Adrienne Lynn Furino

Mike Gathercole, Football 9 JV, 10, 11, 12 V., Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Math League 10, 11, 12, Winter Track 12



Michael J. Gathercole

Allie Genovese, Swimming 9 V., Softball 9, Field Hockey 10, 11, 12 V., Pasta Nite 12



Allison Irene Genovese

Chris Gilbertson, Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Pasta Nite 12



Christopher Thomas Gilbertson

Stephanie Glien, NHS 11, 12, Student Gov't 12, Field Hockey 10, 11 JV, 12 V., Spring Track 10, 11, 12 V., Winter Track 11, 12 V., Basketball 9, 10 JV, Math League 10, 11, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Spanish HS 11, 12, Band 10, 11, 12, Hand-in-Hand 12, Softball 9, Pasta Nite 12



Stephanie Glien

Danielle Goncalves "D", "Conzo", Fall Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12 V. Capt., Winter Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12 V. Capt., Softball 9, 10 JV, Math League 9, 10, 11, Hand-in-Hand 10, 11, SEA 11, 12 Officer, Pasta Nite 12, Yearbook 11, 12 Student Life Editor, Homeroom Rep. 9, 10, 11, 12, Prom Committee 12



Danielle Goncalves

Bonnie Goodwin, Spanish Club 11, 12 VP, Marching Band 9, 10, 11, 12, Orchestra 10, 11, 12, Wind Ensemble 9, 10, 11, 12, Math League 12, Pasta Nite 12, Football Stat. 12 V., Baseball Stat., 9, 10 JV



Bonnie C. Goodwin

Pat Gorman, Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12 V. Capt., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Pasta Nite 12, NAHS 11, 12, Commercial Art Club 10, 11, 12 Treas., Prom Committee 12, Soccer 10 JV Capt., Football 9, 10 JV Co-Capt., Spanish Club 9, Rod and Reel Club 9, 10, Spotlight 12



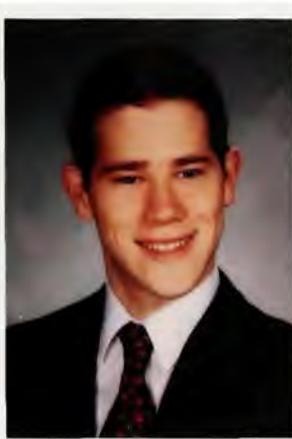
Michael John Gordon



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Jeffrey Guthertz



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Ryan Desmond Hamilton



William John Hansen

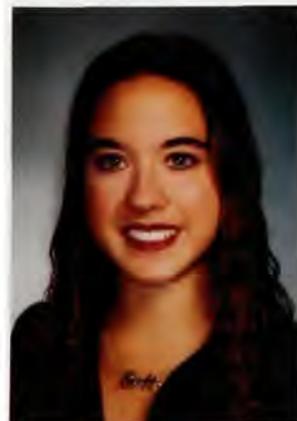


Paul T. Harrison

Ryan Hamilton, Special Olympics 9, 10, 11, 12

Bill Hansen, Class Treasurer 11, 12, Golf 10, V., Capt., 11, 12, Law Club 11, 12 Pres., Mock Trial 11, 12, Winter Track 9, 10, 11, V., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, V.P., Spanish Honor Society 11, 12, NHS 11, 12, Spanish Club 11, 12, Outdoor Ed. Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Baseball 9, Soccer 9, 10, Student Government 11, 12, Senator

Paul Harrison, Gold Band 11, 12, Jazz Band 12, Tri-M Music Honors Club 11, 12



Linda Mary Victoria Haustein



Brent R. Heck



Diane Kelly Hickey

Linda Haustein, Varsity Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Varsity Cheerleading 10, 11, V., Pasta Night 12, Spring Track 12, V.

Brent Heck, Ice Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V.

Diane Hickey, NHS 11, 12, French Honors Society 11, 12, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Cross Country 10, 11, 12, V., Co-Capt., Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Outdoor Ed. Club 10, 11, 12, Pasta Night 12

Scott, Baseball 9, Soccer 9, 10, J.V.,
Pasta Nite 12, Hand in Hand Club 11,
12, Math League 11, 12



Daniel M. Holland

Larry Holzenthaler, Math League 9,
10, 11, 12, Reptile Club 10, 11, 12



Lawrence James Holzenthaler

Max Hormilla, Art Club 11, 12, Reptile
Club 12, Math League 12, Pasta
Nite 12



Maxwell A. Hormilla

Rich Horn, Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12, V.,
Soccer 9, 10, 11



Richard Horn

Matt Hribar, Ice Hockey 10, 11, 12 V.,
Math League 9, 11, 12, French Honor
Society 10, 11, French Club 9



Matthew James Hribar

Blythe Huber, Pasta Nite 12



Blythe Janna Huber

Bill Hunt, Swimming 10, J.V., Track
11, V.



William Baron Hunt

Roman P. Hyra, Ice Hockey 11, 12,
V., Football 9



Roman Paul Hyra



Kimberly Itzel



Andrew Michael Jobe



Kyle Bristow Johnson



Elizabeth Ann Johnston

Andy Jobe Football 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12, V.

Kyle Johnson, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Law Club 9, Spring Track 9, Hand in Hand 11, 12, Outdoor Education 11, Pasta Nite 12

Beth Johnston, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Yearbook 12, Peer 12, Contemporary World Affairs 9, 10, 11, Sec., Basketball 9, Pasta Nite 12, Math League 11,



May Lucene Kachoogian



Kimberly Lyn Kaltreider



Gabrielle Gail Kantrowitz

May Kachoogian, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Basketball 9, 10, Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, Peer 11, 12, Steering Committee 12, Math League 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, Art Honor Society 12, Pasta Nite 12, Yearbook 12, Prom Committee 12

Kim Kaltreider, National Honor Society 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Math League 10, 11, 12, Sec., Gourmet Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Pres., Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Winter and Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Pasta Nite 12, Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12

Gabrielle Kantrowitz, Peer 11, 12, Spring Track 9, 10, V., Bandfront 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Gymnastics Stat 9, 10, French Club 11, 12, Spanish Club 11, 12, Pasta Nite 12, Outdoor Ed. 11, 12, Prom Committee 12, Math League 12, Homeroom Rep. 12



Jason Alan Kessler



Tara Klebaur



Theresa Koliniatis

Tara Klebaur, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, J.V., V., Winter Track 10, French Club 10, 11, 12, French Honor Society 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12, Latin Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Pres., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Lab Assistant 11, Pasta Nite 12, Prom Committee 12, YFU 9, 10

Tim Kosch

Alexie Kupka, Gymnastics 9, 10, 11, 12 V, Capt, Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Capt, Track & Field 10, 11, 12 V., Spanish Club 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, 12, Pasta Night 12

Amy Lee Labonte, Art Honor Society 11, COOP 12, HERO 12, FBLA 12



Timothy S. Kosch



Alexie Kupka



Amy Lee Labonte

Mike Langham

Melissa Levine, Basketball 9, 10, 11 JV 12 V, Softball 10, 11 JV, 12 V, Psychology Club 9, Hand in Hand Club 9, Gourmet Club 12, Ushers Club 9



Michael H. Langham



April Marie Lanz



Melissa A. Levine

Daina Lieberman, Day, Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Co-Capt, Literary Society 9, 10, 11, 12, VP, Visible Women 11, 12, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Treas, French Honor Society 10, 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12, Triam Honor Society 11, 12, Concert Choir 11, 12, Madrigals 12, Band 10, 11, 12, Wood Wind Ensemble 10, 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Science League 9, 10, 11, 12, Beauty Shop Quartet 11, 12, Pasta Night 12



Daina Sue Lieberman

Joe Limone, Bowling 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Capt., DFY 9, Shift Crew 9, 10, Stage Crew 10, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Latin Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Band 10, 11, 12, Forensics 10



Joseph A. Limone

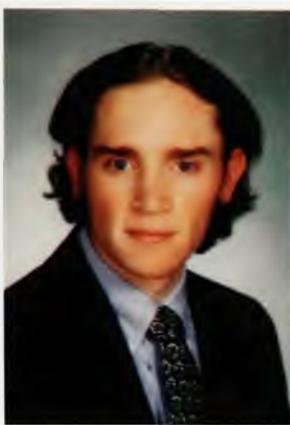
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Thomas Michael LoGiudice



Kenneth Lutz



Peter Lyons



Charles J. Macksoud

Ken Lutz, Football 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Spring Track 9, Peer 11, 12 Steering Committee 12, Choir 11, 12 V. Pres., Madrigals 12, Pasta Night 12

Pete Lyons, Student Government 10, 11, 12 Treasurer, Secretary, Tri-M Music Honor Society 11, 12 V. Pres., NHS 11, 12, Math League 9, Jazz Band 10, 11, 12, Band 9, 10, 11, 12 Drum Major

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Colleen Alexia Mahoney



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David Alan Markowitz



Evan Scott Marx

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Dave Markowitz, Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Captain, Golf 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Football 12, V., Outdoor Education 10, 11, 12, Math League 10, 11, French Club 10

Evan Marx, Art Club 10, 11, Math League 10, 11

Ryan Matlosz, Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Soccer 9, 10, J.V., Math League 10, 11, 12



Rafal Maslak



Ryan D. Matlosz



Jill Veronica Mattis

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Amy Alison Matz



Susan Elizabeth Matz



James Mazillo

Amy Matz, Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Peer 11, 12, Gourmet Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Literary Society 9, 10, Winter Track 10, V., Pasta Night 12

Susan Matz, Hand-in-Hand Club 10, 11, Softball 9, 10, J.V., Co-op 12, FBLA 12, HERO 12



Lisa A. McCarthy



Colin V. McFadden



John McFadden

Lisa A. McCarthy, Interact Club 11, Hand-in-Hand Club 11, Psychology Club 10, 11, Animal Rights Club 9, Freshman Boys' Basketball Stat, Pasta Night 12, Math League 9, 12

Colin McFadden, Golf 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Yearbook 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, Pasta Night 12, Law Club 11, 12, Outdoor Ed. Club 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12



Amy McGrath



Kerianne McGuire



Vanessa Leigh Meehan

Kerianne McGuire, Peer 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12, Latin Club 11, 12, Law Club 11, 12, Math League 11, 12, Gourmet Club 10, 11, 12, Pasta Nite 12, Literary Society 9, Hand-in-Hand Club 10

Vanessa Meehan, Soccer Stat 10, 11, Bowling Stat 9, 10, 11, 12, Gourmet Club 9, 10, 12, Math League 11, 12, Usher's Club 9, Art Honor Society 12, German Club 12, Pasta Nite 12, Softball Stat 9, 10



Eric R. Messner



Chad Miszewski



David Morehead

Eric Messner, Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; V. Capt.

Dave Morehead, Golf 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Auto Club 9, 10, 11, 12



Janelle Natasha Mothersill



John Newman



Ryan Scott Olesky

Janelle Mothersill, Rotary Club 11, Hand-in-Hand 10, 11, Psychology Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Co-Op 12, F.B.L.A. 12, H.E.R.O. 12

John Newman, Ice Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Peer 11, 12, NHS 11, 12, Pres., Latin Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Outdoor Ed., Club 11, 12, Homeroom Rep. 9, 10, 11, Tennis 10, 11, 12, V., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12

Ryan Olesky, Math league 12, DFY 9

Amy Oriscello, Tennis 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Co-Capt., Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Pasta Nite 12

Kris Oseredczuk, Football 9, 10, J.V., V., Spanish Club 11

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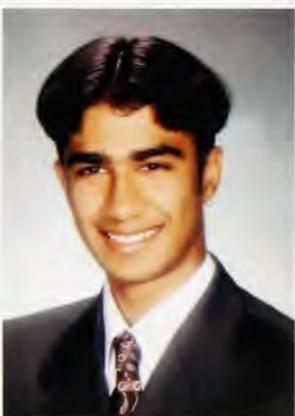


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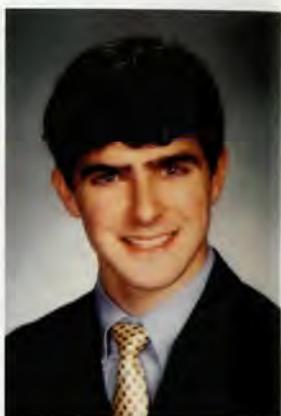
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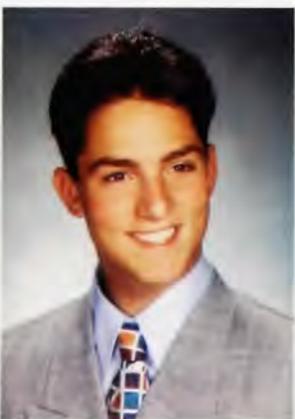
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Melissa Perez, Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Gymnastics 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Reptiles Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Pres., S.E.A. 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11.



Patrick Pepe



Melissa Perez



Michael Perrette



Robert Anthony Pizzella



Erica Platt



Emily Jeanne Poleshuck

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Erica Platt, Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Co-Capt., Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, JV., V., National Honor Society 11, 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Copy Editor, Gourmet Club 10, 11, 12, Sec., Pres., Pasta Night 12, Peer 11, 12, Spotlight, 11, Math League 9, 10, 11, German Club 9, 10, German National Honor Society 10, S.E.A. 9, 10

Emily Poleshuck, Tri-M Music Honor Society, 11, 12, Pres., Psychology Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Photography Club 12, Americana Club 12



Richard David Pollak



Lauren Michele Porter



Traci Lynn Prutzman

Pollak, Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, JV., V., French Club 9, 10, Ham Radio Club 10

Lauren Porter, National Honor Society 11, 12, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, JV., V., Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, JV., V., Basketball 9, 10, JV., Class Officer 9, 10, 11, 12, Sec., Yearbook 12, Hand in Hand Club 10, 11, 12, Psychology Club 9, 10, 11, Pasta Night 12, French Club 10, 11, Visible Woman Club 12, Literary Society 9

Traci Prutzman, Gymnastics 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Softball 9, Winter Track 9, V., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Spanish Club 9, 10, 11, Pasta Night 12, Yearbook 11, 12, Prom Committee 12



Christian A. Pugaczewski



Erika Quintana



Nelson Quintana

Chris Pugaczewski, Yearbook 12, Pasta Night 12, Prologue 12, Editor-in-Chief, Baseball 12, V., Math League 12

Erika Quintana, Homeroom Rep., 9, 10, 11, 12, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Literary Society 9, Psychology Club 9, 10, 11, Visible Woman Club 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, 12, Hand in Hand Club 11, 12, Pasta Night 12

Nelson Quintana, Ice Hockey 10, 11, 12, JV., V., Art Honor Society 11

Jill Redlund, Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12, V, Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12, Band Front 10, 11, 12, capt., Math League 10, 11, 12, Contemporary World Affairs 10, 11, Pasta Night 12, Peer 12, Spanish Club 11, 12, Spanish Honor Society 11, 12, Cultural Awareness 12



Jill Ann Redlund

Adam Reinhard, Swimming 9, 10, 11, 12, V



Adam Dennis Reinhard

Heather Rembert, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, J.V., 12, V, Gourmet Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Literary Society 9, 10, 11, Pasta Night 12, Math League 11, 12, Peer 11, 12, Art Club 11, N.H.S. 11, 12



Heather Ley Rembert

Julie Renedo, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Spanish Club 11, Orchestra 9, 10, 11, 12, Teen Center Committe 11, 12, N.H.S. 11, 12, Student Rep. To Board Of Education 12, Pasta Night 12, Literary Society 9, 10, 11, 12, Principle Advisory Committe 12, Science League 9, 11, Tennis 9



Julia Isabel Renedo

Carrie Rentz, Volleyball 9, 10, 11, 12, V, Ushers Club 9, 10



Michael Reno



Carrie Ann Rentz

Kim Reynolds, Ushers Club 9, Hand in Hand Club 12, Math League 12, Pasta Night 12, National Art Honor Society 12



Alex Reszetylo



Kimberly Reynolds



Jesus Manuel Rosado



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Joselito Rubante



Marisa Rufolo

Joselito Rubante, Football 9, 10, 11
J.V., Drama 12, CO-OP 12

Marisa Rufolo, Yearbook 11, 12,
Gourment Club 10, Psychology Club
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Scott David Salay



David Salgueiro



Daniel Salomon

Scott Salay, Math League 10

Daniel Salomon, Band 10, 11, 12, Art
Club 10, 11, 12, Art Honor Society 12,
Graphic Arts Club 10, Math League
11, 12, Pasta Night 12, Drama 12



Christopher Sands



Jennifer Sands



Brian Sargent

Chris Sands, Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12,
V, Soccer 10, 11, 12, V, capt., Pasta
Night 12, Yearbook 11, 12

Jen Sands, Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12, V,
capt., Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12, V, capt.,
Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, V, capt., Student
Government 9, 10, 11, 12, Pasta Night
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Brian Sargent, Football 9, 10, 12, V

Danielle Shipper, Basketball 9, 10, JV, Softball Stat. 9, 11, Math League 12, Spanish Club 12, Spanish Honor Society 12



Danielle Shipper

Andrew Schmitt, Wrestling 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Capt., Baseball 9, 10, 11, 12 V., Law Club 11, 12, Soccer 9, 10



Andrew Thomas Schmitt

Rob Schultz, Basketball 10, 11 JV, Wrestling 9, Card Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Stage Club 10, 11



Robert Schultz

Julie Schweitzer, Yearbook 11, 12 Editor-in-Chief, Spotlight 10, 11, 12 News Editor, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12 Co-Pres., National Honor Society 11, 12, French Honor Society 10, 11, 12 Sec., Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Art Honor Society 11, 12 Sec., Pasta Night 12, Homeroom Rep. 9, 10, 11, 12, Hand-in-Hand Club 10, 11



Julie Beth Schweitzer

Rich Shackell, National Honor Society 11, 12, Band 10, 11, 12 Section Leader, Art Honor Society 10, 11 Sec, 12 Pres, Art Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Commercial and Graphic art Club 9, 10, 11 Treas., 12 Pres, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Science League 9, 10, 11, 12, Outdoor Ed Club 9, 10, 11, 12 Pres, Latin Club 9, 10, 11, 12, Hand in Hand Club 11, 12, Pasta Night 12



Richard Shackell

Kim Sheara, Band 10, 11, 12, Choir 11, 12, Madrigals 12, Model UN 10, Pasta Night 12, Math League 11, 12, SEA 12, Homeroom Rep. 11



Kimberly Ann Sheara



Nicholas Shepherd



David Sorrentino



Jessica Stabile



Tracy Joan Swackhamer



Kathleen Maeve Szymona



Eric Kenneth Tardif

Tracy Swackhamer, Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Cross Country 10, 11, 12, V., Capt., Peer 11, 12, Steering Committee, Math League 11, 12, Friendship Club 12, Pasta Night 12

Katie Szymona, NHS 11, 12, French Club 9, 10, 11, 12, French Honor Society 10, 11, 12, Literary Society 9, 10, 11, 12, Co-Sec., SEA 11, 12, Officer, Gourmet Club 9, 10, 11, 12, VP, Math League 11, 12, Field Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Band 10, 11, 12, Concert Choir 11, 12, Sec., Peer 12, Musical 10, 11, 12, Yearbook 12, Prom Committee 12, Past Night 12

Eric Tardif, Ice Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12, V., Football 9, Math League 12, Pasta Nite 12



Keith J. Tarulli



Andrew Traut



Martin Vainberg



Michael J. Venditti III



Cara Vitolo



Jessica Ann Walsh

Mike Venditti, Soccer 9, 10, 12, V., Winter Track 9, 10, 12, V., Co-Capt., Spring Track 9, 10, 12, V., Co-Capt., Spanish Honor Society 10, 11, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Math League 9, 10, 11, 12, Pasta Night 12

Jessica Walsh, Math League 9, 12, Spanish Club 10, 11, 12, Sec., Spanish Honor Society 10, 11, 12, Co-VP, Hand in Hand Club 11, 12, Band Front 10, 12, Musical 9, 10, 11, 12, Drama 11, 12, Concert Choir 11, 12, Madrigals 12, Pasta Night 12

Cathy Warner, Madrigals 12, Concert Choir 11, 12, S.E.A. 11, 12, Yearbook 12, Pasta Night 12, Spanish Honor Society 12, Interact Club 12, Usher's Club 12, Math League 12, Prom Committee 12, Drama 10, 11, 12



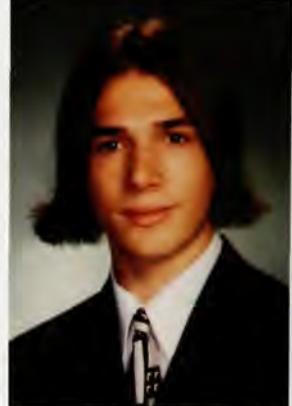
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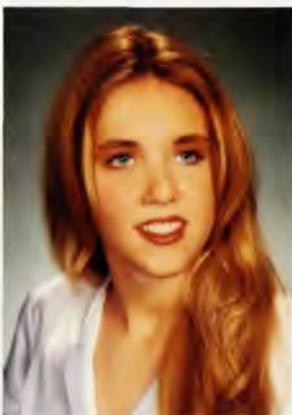
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Aaron W. Werschulz

Heather White, Softball 9, 10, 11, 12, V. Basketball 9, 10, J.V., Pasta Night 12, Math League 12, Homeroom Rep. 9, 11, 12



Heather Denise White

Paul Whitehurst, Soccer 9, 10, 11, 12, V. Capt., Basketball 9



Paul Jason Whitehurst

Crash Winter, Pasta Night 12, Math League 11, 12, Wood Technology 9, 10, 11, 12



Richard Winter

Ron Zach, Auto Club 10, 11, 12



April Yates

Jenn Zehnder, Cross Country 9, 10, 11, 12, V. Winter Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V. Spring Track 9, 10, 11, 12, V. Ushers Club 11, 12, Gourmet Club 12, Pasta Night 12



Ronald Zach

Not Pictured: Christopher Arce
Jose Avila
Brian Jackson
John Margeotes



Jennifer B. Zehnder



Left: BAD HAIR DAY. Obviously Pat Gorman and Lou Bock think going to C.H.S. is a "Hair Raising" experience.

Below: DAN THE MAN. Can you tell Dan Salomon is hard at work in Senora Crocarno's Spanish class?



Left: FEEDING FRENZY. Kim "Chunk" Kaltreider and Christine "Toast" Cavicchioli show off their big mouths while helping out with Pasta Night.



Above: YO MO! Jason Kessler hangs out in the halls before class. Will he get in trouble for being late because he procrastinated?



Above: SUPER DUPER SOCCER DUDES. Chris Sands, Paul Whitehurst, Eric Ferreira, and Mike Venditti are all smiles after winning a really tough soccer game.



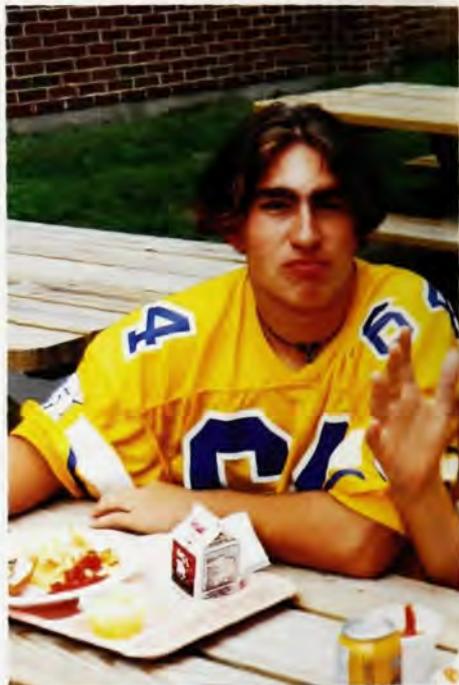
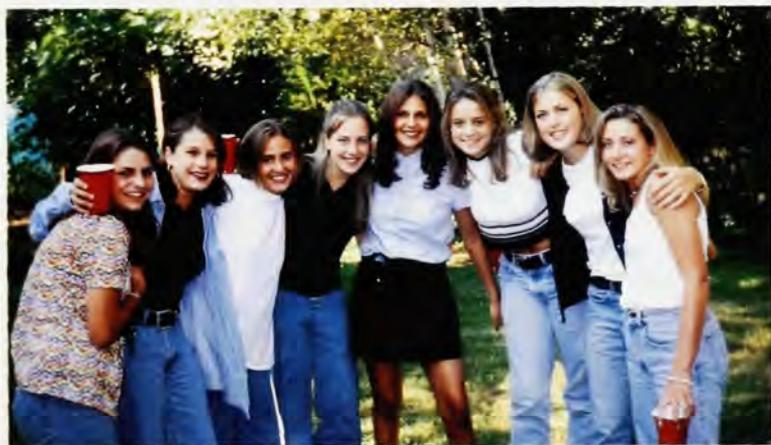
Left: A SHORE THING. Over the summer Diana Dollard and Sue Matz enjoyed the view from their hotel down the shore.



Right: THE THREE MUSKETEERS. Eric Ferreira has Amy Oriscello and Michelle Foulds under his protective wings. He helped them handle things all throughout Pasta Night.



Below: PARTY HARDY DUDETTES! Even after a tough day at school these girls know how to kick back and relax.



Above: DAVE SAYS HI! Mike Gathercole and Dave Markowitz hang out during lunch. They both did a lot to help the Cougar football team win this year.



Left: FRIENDS FOREVER. Keri McGuire, Chris Gilbertson, Mike Venditti, Colleen Carney, and Tammy English share tips on how to be good waiters and waitresses before Pasta Night.



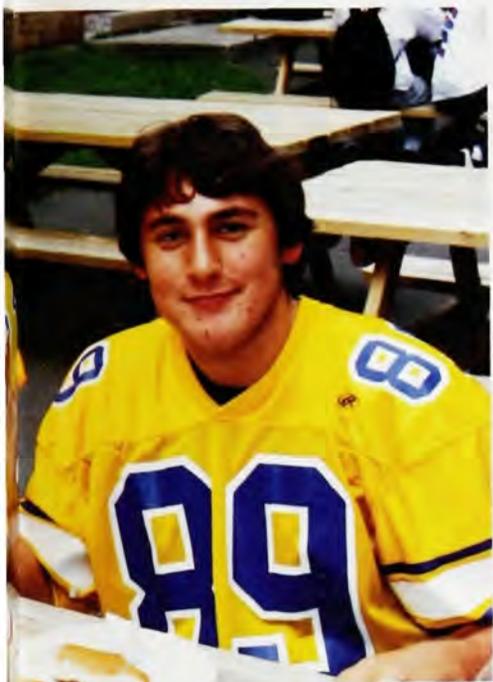
Left: THE GREAT OUTDOORS. April Yates and Emily Poleshuck get the most out of lunch by chatting in the senior outdoor cafeteria.



Below: THREE COOL CATS. Rich Pollak, Joe Limone, and Nick Fiorello are chilling out before class.



Above: HIGH SCHOOL SWEETHEARTS. Melissa Perez and Max Hormilla are caught during a close encounter in the underclass cafeteria.



Left: BRIGHT GIRL. Kim Sheara knows all the answers in Mr. Jones' physics class.



Above: SHOW YOUR STUFF. Best friends Kristine Foulds and Linda Haustein never missed the chance to hang out together during the summer.

Left: WILD WAITRESSES. It looks as if Daina Lieberman, Cathy Warner, Julie Renedo, Alana Doty and Tracy Swackhamer certainly enjoyed working together during Pasta Night.

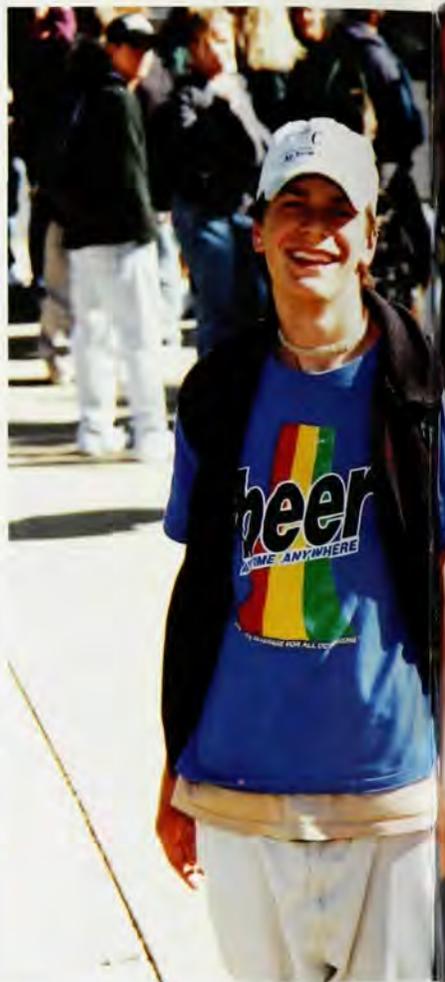
Right: JUST RELAX. Marisa Rufolo and April Lanz just sit back and relax at Marisa's house on a lazy Saturday.



Below: THE FABULOUS FOURSOME. Laura Desiderio, Theresa Koliniats, Carrie Rentz, and Brandy Cash never miss a chance to catch up on the latest gossip in the halls of CHS.

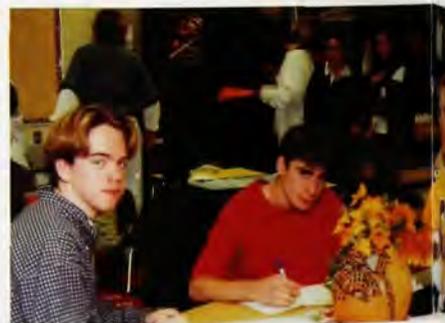
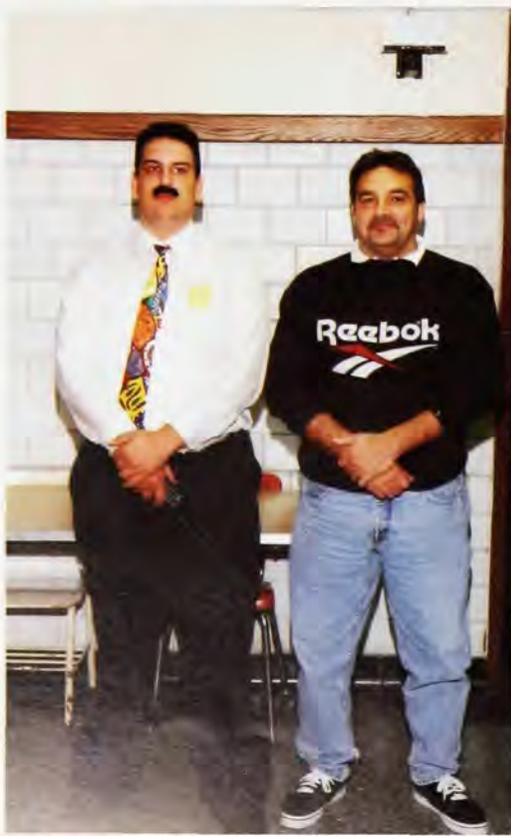


Below: SPREADING CHEER. Could Chris Pugaczewski look any happier to get out of school? His enthusiasm was contagious as everyone ran for the front steps on this Friday afternoon.



Above: MOUNTAIN MAN. Todd Mariano can hardly believe the view during his vacation last summer. With an experience like that who would want to return to CHS?

Right: DOUBLE TROUBLE. Will the real Mr. Sorrentino please step forward? On Halloween Steve Comitini and Mr. Sorrentino confused everyone. Who had the real walkie-talkie?



Above: TEACHERS IN TRAINING. What kid wouldn't be happy with child development teachers like these? Chris Gilbertson, Dave Eurell, Ken Lutz, and Brent Heck all worked hard to make their classes an enjoyable experience for the preschoolers.

Below: MAD SCIENTISTS. Dee Schipper and Brian Sargent work hard on a med. lab for Mrs. Schwartz. Will they grow up to be doctors someday?



Above: ALOHA! Amy Labonte and her boyfriend take a break at a restaurant in California before traveling to Hawaii last year.

Left: FUN IN THE SUN. Melanie Chu, Ro Connelly, Lauren Charme and Danielle Chilinski soak up the sun on Danielle's boat last July.



Above: J.C. PHONE HOME. Even while communing with nature, John can't help but to call home to say a quick "hi".



Above: WORKING HARD. Over the summer, Jim D'Arcy and Adrienne Furino became closer friends while working at the CSC.



Right: BIG BEAR HUG. Since freshman year Leigh Weber and Kyle Johnson have been "close friends".

leave the rest

TO YOUR IMAGINATION

Although high school is full of enough excitement to keep our imaginations active, we know that there is an enormous world for us to discover when we exit through the doors of CHS for the last time. Some of us imagine living in a nice house with a picket fence, a few kids, and a dog, commuting to a nine to five job in the heart of a bustling city, seeing our name in lights as a success in show business, or signing a million dollar contract with a professional sports team. Others imagine writing a best-selling novel, giving a speech in a political campaign, or teaching children. We cannot predict what our lives will be like in years to come, but with the knowledge that there are no limits to our dreams, we now can imagine the wonders that lie ahead.

By: Julie Schweitzer



Above: **HOMeward BOUND.** Beth Johnston, Kerry Bender, Diana Capece, and Megan Weiss share one last hug before heading back to Cranford after the Peer trip. The weekend left them well-prepared to help their freshmen peer students discuss various issues and feelings.

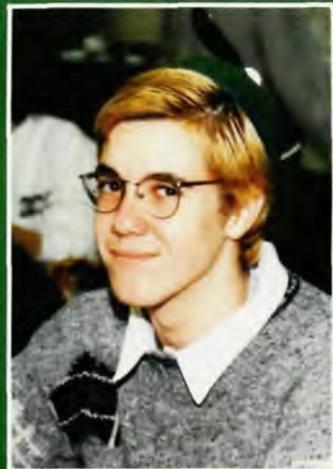




Right: ON FIRE! These football players are getting psyched for the Thanksgiving game against Elizabeth. Despite their spirit at the bonfire and a valiant effort on Thanksgiving, the Cougars lost the game.



Left: SMILIN' SOPHS. Sophomores Robyn Schweitzer and Alexis Wolf are enjoying the fine cuisine at Pasta Night. These best friends can often be found spending time together both in and out of school.



Above: NERD ALERT! Freshman Brian Ponto goes for the "nerd look" on Halloween.

Left: SWAMPED. Senior Sara Collette and junior Angela Viso seem to be a bit overwhelmed with information at the College Fair. After going through many pamphlets, Sara finally decided to attend a small northeastern school.



C O L O P H O N



Right: WHAT A YEAR! The 1997 Golden C staff braves the sunlight as they transform into human numbers. The entire staff thanks CHS for their cooperation during the production of the yearbook.



Above: ALL STRESSED OUT! Advisor Ms. Jennifer Hilborn, Photography Editor Michelle Foulds and Editors-in-chief Julie Schweitzer and Caren Demyen have been overwhelmed this year with their editing responsibilities. Luckily, they had Copy Editor Erica Platt (see t-shirt) to help them out.

Cranford High School's 1997 volume of the Golden C was successfully published by this year's staff consisting of twenty-six students under the advisement of Jennifer Hilborn. The book was printed by Jostens Printing and Publishing Company of State College, Pennsylvania. Our company representative is Bonnie Blackman, who has honorably represented Cranford High for several years.

This year's staff creatively assembled a 192 page book with an additional 16 page spring supplement. Several sections were published using Jostens' Yeartech computer program in conjunction with Pagemaker 5.0. The 535 copies of the Golden C were printed on 9 x 12 matte paper in black ink. With 48 pages of full color, the Golden C surpasses most schools, making the yearbook one of a kind. All student portraits were taken by Normandy Studios of Plainfield, New Jersey. The candid shots were taken by Paul Tighe of Normandy Studios, as well as our awesome student photographer, Fred Doane, who was always willing to help us out when we needed it.

Our *Imagine* cover is a true life cover, 9 x 12 trim size. It is a high gloss cover with color number LT478 with a mission cutout grain. Its applications include process color 317 and silver foil 381.

The students who are on the staff have worked very hard, both this year and last, to make this year's yearbook the most memorable yet. Many students participated in a cover design workshop in May of 1996 to ensure that we had the coolest cover yet. Also three students, along with Ms. Hilborn, took time out of their busy schedules to attend a Jostens Publishing Workshop in the summer of '96. On many occasions throughout the year, staff members took hours of work home with them in order to meet the strict deadlines.

Some special highlights, and sometimes mishaps, that occurred this year were: Michelle and Mr. Kuntz's all-nighter on the video production for our sales assembly, the yearbook dance, Christine the layout dudette, attack of the killer croppers, yearbook fun at Jackie's house in the summer of '96, our color coordinated yearbook photo and our hectic deadlines, every one of which we met!

We would like to give our sincerest thanks to Our Principal Mr. Blasucci and Assistant Principal Joan Wilde for their help and support throughout the year. A special thanks to all of the office staff, especially Mrs. Sharon Guthrie and Mrs. Polly Johnston for constantly providing us with class lists and use of the copier. We thank Dr. Jay Smith and the Photo Club for their help because without them there would not be clear, candid shots in the book. A special thanks to Mr. Phillips and the business staff of the yearbook for organizing the financial aspects of the book. We also greatly appreciate Ms. Hilborn's *Intra to Publications* class for helping us out with the grueling tasks of copying layouts and helping us write copy. A great big thank you to *Dummo's Pizza* for the fifty percent discount which allowed us to have so many yearbook parties. We would also like to thank Ms. Kopp for putting up with Michelle, Caren and Christine. We would like to give our greatest thanks to Mrs. Bonnie Blackman, our Jostens Representative, who always used her "imagination" to add insight and in many times ingenious ideas to our layouts. She inspired the staff to come up with new and innovative ways to improve the 1997 volume of the Golden C. We appreciate her efforts. Last but not least, the yearbook staff would like to thank our advisor, Ms. Jennifer Hilborn for her patience and dedication to this year's yearbook. And finally to the students and faculty of Cranford High, for their support and participation, always *Imagine* what you can achieve, and you will succeed.

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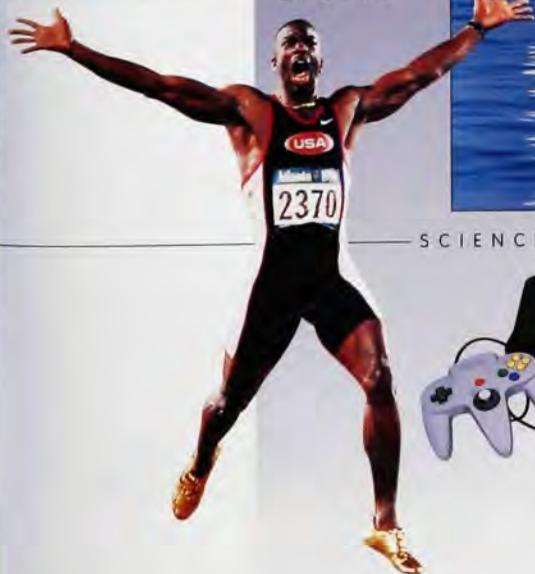
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In November, a hijacked Ethiopian airliner crashes after running out of fuel. The crash occurs near a resort beach in the Comoros Islands in the Indian Ocean. At least 123 of the 175 people on board die, including the hijackers.

After 36 years, Central America's longest civil war ends when Indian rebels and military leftists sign a truce in Guatemala.

British Telecommunications agrees to purchase MCI Communications for up to \$21 billion in November. The deal is the biggest foreign purchase of a U.S. company ever concluded.

A U.N.-negotiated treaty banning chemical weapons worldwide is set to take effect in the spring. The treaty prohibits the development, production, stockpiling or use of chemical weapons, and calls for the destruction of existing supplies. The treaty is signed by 160 nations, including the U.S.



AP/Wide World

Alija Izetbegovic, leader of Bosnia's Muslim Party of Democratic Action, is elected chairman of the country's new three-person presidency in September. The election is held in accordance with provisions of the U.S.-brokered Dayton peace agreement.

AP/Wide World



The Miss World beauty pageant, held in Bangalore, India in November, raises a storm of protests, some violent, including one by a group threatening to stage a mass suicide during the pageant's telecast. A new Miss World is crowned without incident.



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King Hussein of Jordan (right) visits the West Bank of the Jordan River in October to show support for the Palestinian-Israeli peace talks and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state. It is Hussein's first visit since Jordan lost the territory to Israel in the 1967 Arab-Israeli War.

Demonstrators gather in Toronto, Canada on October 26 to protest cutbacks in social services by the Ontario government. Thousands of people march through the city during "Metro Days of Action," organized by labor and social activists.



AP/Wide World



Reuters/Archive Photos

Russian President Boris Yeltsin wins reelection in July, despite persistent health problems. After successful heart surgery in November he returns to work.

A pipe bomb explodes in Centennial Olympic Park after the first day of competition at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta. Flags fly at half-mast to mourn the 1 person killed and more than 100 injured.

Pope John Paul II undergoes surgery for an inflamed appendix in October. His chief surgeon, Dr. Francesco Crucitti, announces that the 78-year-old leader of the Roman Catholic Church is free from "previously undiscovered serious ailments."



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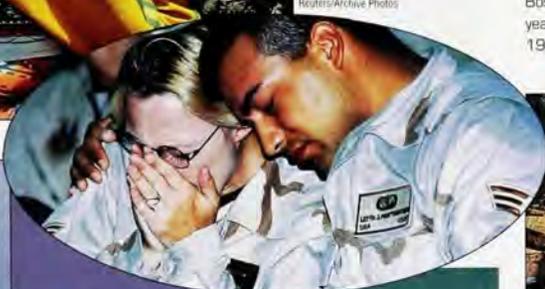
In a group so large it could be tracked by satellite, hundreds of thousands of refugees abandon camps in Zaire in November and begin a journey home to Rwanda, which they had fled to escape a civil war. Closing of the camps forces the refugees to flee.



AP/Wide World

Mass graves containing the bodies of Muslims, allegedly murdered by Serbs in 1992 during the Bosnian civil war, are excavated in Bosnia-Herzegovina throughout the year as a shaky peace negotiated in 1995 continues.

Reuters/Archive Photos



Agence France-Presse

On July 17, Trans World Airlines Flight 800 explodes 13,700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean, killing all 230 passengers and crew members. The Boeing 747-100 was en route to Paris from New York. The cause of the explosion remains a mystery.

Anti-American Saudi terrorists are blamed for a truck bomb that kills 19 U.S. service people on June 25 in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. Mourners grieve at a memorial service held in Khobar, Saudi Arabia.



More than 300 Tutsi refugees in the African country of Burundi are slain by Hutus, a rival ethnic group. The covered bodies, mostly women and children, illustrate the ferocity of the conflict.

Prince Charles, heir to the British throne, and Diana, Princess of Wales, are divorced on August 28. According to one observer, "The most spectacularly miserable marriage of the century is over."



Tim Graham, Sygma

A lone gunman kills 16 kindergartners, their teacher, and then himself, at a Dunblane, Scotland school in March 1996. A month after the tragedy, officials tear down the school gymnasium in which the shootings occurred.

Israeli right-wing leader Benjamin Netanyahu wins the May 1996 election for Prime Minister, defeating Prime Minister Shimon Peres, whom many Israelis think is making too many concessions to Israel's Arab neighbors.

The Graham/Sumner



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NATIONAL NEWS



flash Former U.N. ambassador Madeleine Albright is nominated for Secretary of State by President Clinton on December 5. Confirmed in office in January 1997, Albright is the first woman to head the State Department.

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The U.S. Army issues strict new policies for drill instructors and female trainees, as hundreds of complaints of sexual harassment are revealed in November. Drill instructors are now required to leave their doors open if a female is inside, and women must travel in pairs.

After thousands of veterans complain of illnesses since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, the Pentagon warns they may have been exposed to chemical weapons. The Pentagon reveals that up to two tons of sarin nerve gas may have been released.

Six-year-old beauty pageant queen JonBenet Ramsey is found murdered in the basement of her parents' Colorado home the day after Christmas. Her death raises a nationwide awareness of controversial youth beauty pageants.

Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich (R-Georgia) is fined \$300,000 in a bi-partisan vote after the House Ethics Committee's year-long investigation into alleged financial improprieties.



Seven-year-old pilot Jessica Dubroff is killed when her Cessna airplane crashes shortly after take-off in bad weather from the Cheyenne, Wyoming airport. Her flying instructor and her father, the plane's two passengers, are also killed in the April 1996 crash.



Theodore Kaczynski, alleged to be the "Unabomber," who killed 3 people and wounded more than 20 others with mail bombs since 1978, is arrested in Montana in April 1996. Information provided by Kaczynski's brother leads to the arrest.



Robert Allison, Contact Press Images

Binti Jua, a gorilla at Chicago's Brookfield Zoo, becomes a hero when she rescues a 3-year-old boy knocked unconscious after falling 18 feet into the ape enclosure. The boy suffers brain contusions but soon recovers.

Arson against African-American churches, mostly in the South, is a serious problem in 1996, as hundreds of churches are burned down. Residents of Portland, Oregon survey the damage inside a church after a June fire.



AP/Wide World



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One of the longest armed stand-offs in U.S. history occurs outside Jordan, Montana between the FBI and members of an anti-government group calling itself the Freemen. The B1-day siege ends peacefully in June.

On August 11, a boater rescues 10-year-old Taylor Touchstone from the snake- and alligator-infested waters of a Florida swamp 14 miles away from where he disappeared August 7. Although exhausted and badly scratched, the autistic boy recovers fully.



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Reuters/Archive Photos

 William Jefferson Clinton defeats Republican Bob Dole and Independent H. Ross Perot to become the 42nd president of the U.S. and the last president of the 20th century. Clinton is the first Democrat since Franklin Roosevelt to be reelected to a second term.



 A civil jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson liable for the June 12, 1994 wrongful deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. In a unanimous verdict, the jury awards \$8.5 million in compensatory damages to Goldman's parents. The Brown and Goldman families are each awarded \$12.5 million in punitive damages.



AP/Wide World

 Days of abnormally heavy rains in November undermine the roadbed of Oregon's Interstate 5, creating a 40-foot-deep sinkhole, into which two semitrailer trucks tumble.

 The Citadel, South Carolina's traditionally all-male military academy, admits four women, including Petra Loventinska (left) and Jeanie Montavlos. Montavlos and another female cadet later drop out, citing harassment and "sadistic" hazing.



AP/Wide World

 Topsail Beach, a town on an island off the coast of North Carolina, is one of many Eastern locations hit hard by Hurricane Bertha in July. Six powerful hurricanes, all with winds over 110 miles per hour, made 1996 a near-record year doing \$3.5 billion in damage in the U.S.



AP/Wide World

 Nationwide, forest fires blacken more than twice the acreage lost to fires in an average year. California, Montana and Oregon are particularly hard hit.



Karl Miller, The New York Times

 All 110 people aboard a ValuJet DC-9 are killed in May 1996 when a fire breaks out in the cargo hold. The plane, en route from Miami to Atlanta, crashes and disappears almost completely into the Florida Everglades, making it difficult for workers to retrieve wreckage.



AP/Wide World



Schwartz, Gamma/Liaison

 Security guard Richard Jewell is investigated as a suspect in the July Olympic Park bombing. After three months of media frenzy, during which Jewell is a virtual prisoner in his home, the U.S. Justice Department admits there is no evidence against him.

 Six-year-old first-grader Johnathan Prevette is suspended from his Lexington, North Carolina elementary school for violating the city schools' sexual conduct guidelines—he kissed a female classmate. Prevette is quickly reinstated after a nationwide controversy over the suspension.



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A 9,300-year-old skeleton discovered in July near Richland, Washington is the oldest and most intact set of human bones ever discovered in North America. Research is suspended, however, as the tribes from the Native American grounds where it is found claim the skeleton as an ancestor and want the bones buried.

Trauma Seal, a new medical adhesive that is applied like a lip-balm stick, is in clinical trials at 10 hospitals and health care institutions nationwide. The biodegradable adhesive could eliminate stitches and return visits.

New York Police Department canines begin wearing three-pound, infrared cameras, scouting out potentially dangerous areas before police officers enter the scene. Handlers are developing bullet-proof vests for the dogs to wear.

A new category of animal is discovered in the form of bacteria that live on the lips of lobsters. *Symbion pandora*, which lives on food scraps from lobster lips, is called "the zoological highlight of the decade."

Videogame giant Nintendo releases its long-awaited Nintendo 64, a new hardware system that draws players into the game and moves three times faster than any existing system.



An expedition to raise the *Titanic*, the legendary "unsinkable" ocean liner that sank on its maiden voyage in 1912, from its North Atlantic grave more than two miles deep, ends in failure in August due to rough seas.



In August, scientists discover evidence of bacteria-like life on a meteorite found in 1984 and believed to be part of the crust of Mars 4.5 billion years ago. It is the first possible proof that life is not unique to Earth.



NASA

American astronaut Shannon Lucid (right) spends 188 days in space, breaking American space endurance records after joining the crew of the Russian space station *Mir*.

Egyptians begin work to preserve the Great Sphinx from the ravages of wind, pollution and time. The 4,500-year-old statue is located in Giza near the giant pyramids.



AP/Wide World



NASA

The Mars Surveyor Trolley, named *Sojourner*, is carried on-board *Mars Pathfinder*, an unmanned spacecraft launched in December. *Sojourner*, a free-roving probe the size of a child's wagon, will photograph the Martian surface and determine the composition of rocks on Mars.

Satellite dishes become one of the year's hottest-selling electronic consumer products. Owners find the savings of not paying for cable services cover the cost within a few months.



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 California's Monterey Bay Aquarium opens a new wing in March 1996. The million-gallon indoor ocean showcases the marine life of the outer reaches of Monterey Bay, 5 to 60 miles offshore.

 The Hubble Space Telescope captures new images of quasars, the universe's most powerful and baffling phenomena. Previously thought only to exist in colliding galaxies, new pictures indicate quasars can also exist in undisturbed galaxies—causing astronomers to revisit their theories.



AP/Wide World



D. Sca/Bo

 Steam and ash from Iceland's Laki volcano blast 33,000 feet in the air on October 9. Molten rock from the volcano's 5-mile-wide fissure melts through more than 2,000 feet of glacial ice, threatening the island with widespread flooding.

 An "oxygen bar" in Toronto, Canada allows patrons to pay \$16 to spend 20 minutes breathing pure oxygen. The owners of the O₂ Spa Bar claim the treatment is a healthy way to reinvigorate the body and offer fruit "flavors" to liven up the experience.



Smithsonian Institution

 The Smithsonian Institution celebrates the 150th anniversary of its founding with a nationwide tour of prize exhibits, including this stovepipe hat worn by Abraham Lincoln.



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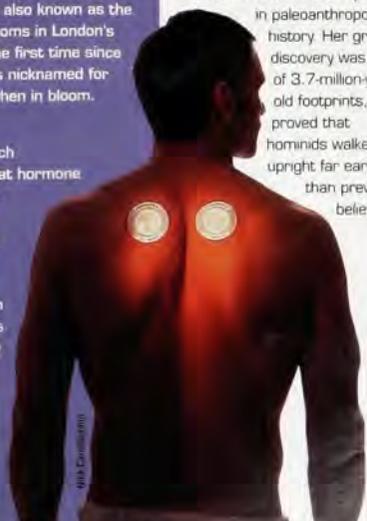
 The world's largest flower, the Titan Arum, also known as the "corpse flower," blooms in London's Kew Gardens for the first time since 1963. The flower is nicknamed for its strong stench when in bloom.

 New research suggests that hormone therapies can keep middle-aged men stronger and more youthful. A testosterone-releasing skin patch called Androderm is prescribed by many doctors to supplement the natural hormone.

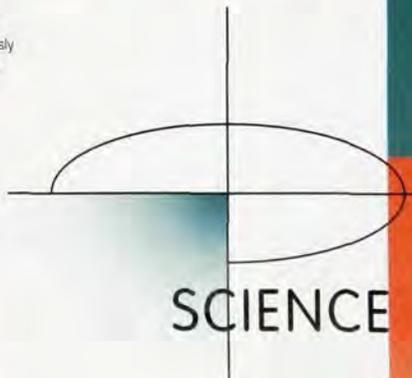
 Paleanthropologist Mary Leakey, shown with husband Louis Leakey in a 1959 photograph, dies in December. Discoveries by the Leakeys throughout their careers are some of the most important in paleoanthropological history. Her greatest discovery was a trail of 3.7-million-year-old footprints, which proved that hominids walked upright far earlier than previously believed.



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Former NFL commissioner Pete Rozelle dies on December 6. Rozelle is credited with transforming professional football into America's top spectator sport, and with inventing the Super Bowl.

Basketball megastar Michael Jordan launches his own cologne: Michael Jordan Cologne. Demand for the fragrance is so high that manufacturer Bijan Frangrances limits sales to 12 bottles per customer.

The ever-present Cindy Crawford releases a book on applying make-up. *Basic Face* enjoys a long run on the best-seller lists.

The National Women's Hall of Fame opens in Seneca Falls, New York, inducting 11 women, including author Louisa May Alcott, and Dveta Culp Hobby, the nation's first female colonel.

Archbishop of Chicago, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin dies of pancreatic cancer in November. Bernardin was known for being a reconciler in churches torn between tradition and modern culture, as well as for speaking out against physician-assisted suicide.

 Mother Teresa, 1979 Nobel Peace Prize winner, suffers a heart attack in late December. It is the 86-year-old Roman Catholic nun's fourth serious illness in 1996.

AP/Wide World



 In April 1996, singer Michael Jackson is seen escorting a woman later identified as Debbie Rowe, an employee of Jackson's plastic surgeon. In November, Jackson announces that he and Rowe are married and that she is carrying his child.



Steve Granitz, Reuters



AP/Wide World

 Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, and Prince Andrew, Duke of York and son of Great Britain's Queen Elizabeth II, are divorced in May 1996. "Fergie" subsequently goes public with TV appearances and an autobiography.



AP/Wide World



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 Music megastar Madonna gives birth to Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon, a 6-pound, 9-ounce girl, on October 14. Madonna's big year continues when she wins a Golden Globe for her role in Andrew Lloyd Webber's on-screen rendition of the musical *Evita*.

 In October, TV talk-show host Jenny Jones testifies during the Michigan murder trial of Jonathan Schmitz. Schmitz was accused of killing Scott Amedure, who revealed romantic feelings for Schmitz during a March 1995 taping of a "Jenny Jones Show."



AP/Wide World

 "The Late Show" host David Letterman (right), who had been hinting at retirement, re-signs his contract with CBS, keeping him at "The Late Show" through 2002.



Stephane Cournoyer, Sybil Danning

In a small, secret ceremony on an island off the coast of Georgia, John F. Kennedy Jr. marries Carolyn Bessette, a Calvin Klein publicist, in September. Kennedy, who dated Bessette for two years, had long been considered one of the world's most eligible bachelors.



AP/Wide World

New York Yankees fan Jeffrey Maier interferes with a fly ball during game one of the American League Championship Series on October 9. The hit is ruled a home run, tying the game 4 to 4 in the eighth inning and making Maier New York's hero for a day.



John F. Kennedy Library

Legendary heavyweight boxer Muhammad Ali is the final athlete to bear the Olympic torch, lighting the Olympic flame at the opening of the Centennial Summer Olympics in Atlanta on July 19.



AP/Wide World

More than 4,000 items owned by former First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and President John F. Kennedy are auctioned off in April 1996, including a necklace of simulated pearls shown in this 1962 photograph. The fake pearls, valued at \$500 to \$700, sell for \$211,500, bringing the auction total to \$34.5 million.



AP/Wide World

Veteran comedian George Burns dies in March 1996, just weeks after reaching the age of 100. The legendary Burns won an Oscar, an Emmy and a Grammy Award in an illustrious career dating back to vaudeville.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Miss Kansas, Tara Dawn Holland, is crowned Miss America at the 1996 pageant on September 14.



Universal City from Shooting Star

Angela Lansbury appears in her final season as mystery writer Jessica Fletcher on CBS's "Murder, She Wrote." The hugely successful show ran for 12 seasons.

Basketball player Kobe Bryant joins the Los Angeles Lakers straight out of high school, signing a multi-million dollar contract during the team's 1996-1997 season.



ESPN/WireImage



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As a stand against the invasion of his privacy, George Clooney, star of NBC's "ER," boycotts Paramount's "Entertainment Tonight" after its sister show "Hard Copy" runs unauthorized footage of the actor's private life.

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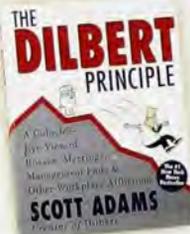
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Tom Cruise stars in *Jerry Maguire*, a romantic comedy about a sports agent who decides to change his shallow ways, and spends the rest of the movie trying to regain his success. It is a breakthrough role for Cruise, who is normally depicted as a cocky winner.

To honor the 20th anniversary of its release, producer George Lucas issues a "remade" *Star Wars*, with new scenes, computerized special effects and souped-up animation. Lucas' grand plan calls for a nine-film cycle, including prequels.

English actor/director Kenneth Branagh plays Hamlet in his star-studded remake of Shakespeare's classic. Despite running four hours, the movie is a critical and box-office success.

NBC's Thursday night drama "ER" features television's first HIV-positive prominent character. Jeanie Boulet, a physician's assistant played by Gloria Reuben, is relatively open about her condition and helps confront the stigma of AIDS.



Scott Adams' *Dilbert*, the comic strip about office politics, captures the nation's imagination. In book form, *The Dilbert Principle* becomes a national best-seller.

20th Century Fox from Shooting Star



Actors Winona Ryder and Daniel Day-Lewis star in *The Crucible*, which opens in December. The screen adaptation of Arthur Miller's famous play about the Salem witch trials is written by Arthur Miller himself.



Sherry Stringfield, Dr. Susan Lewis on NBC's "ER," leaves the show at the peak of her character's popularity. In her final episode, when Dr. Mark Greene, played by Anthony Edwards, declares his love for Susan, the show garners its highest ratings ever.



Paramount Pictures from Kobi

Patrick Stewart (left) and Brent Spiner (right) star in *Star Trek: First Contact*, a movie featuring characters from the TV show "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

Draw Carey (left) finds TV stardom during the second season of ABC's "The Drew Carey Show," a carry-along about working-class characters in Cleveland, Ohio.



Warner Bros. TV from Shooting Star



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

Academy Award-winning actor Tom Hanks' first effort at directing receives critical praise when *That Thing You Do!*, a movie about the meteoric rise and fall of a 1960s rock band, opens in October.

Model Brooke Shields (center) moves to television in NBC's "Suddenly Susan," a sit-com premiering in September. Shields plays a columnist opposite magazine editor Judd Nelson (far right).



NBC from Shooting Star



Author Michael Crichton publishes *The Lost World*, a sequel to *Jurassic Park*, the colossal novel and movie. The new book promises to generate just as

much hype, with a movie already in the works.



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star



Warner Bros. from Kickin'

Explosive special effects rivet audiences to their seats as they watch *Independence Day*, one of summer's blockbuster movies.

Bugs Bunny and Chicago Bulls basketball star Michael Jordan share top billing in *Space Jam*, a partially animated feature film that opens in late November.



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

In September, Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes star as the classic star-crossed lovers in the film *Romeo and Juliet*.



Tom Cruise stars in *Mission: Impossible*, based on the 1960s and '70s television series of the same name. Despite critical put-downs, the movie is a huge box-office hit.



Paramount from Shooting Star

John Lithgow (front right) earns both an Emmy and a Golden Globe Award for Best Actor in a Comedy Series in NBC's "3rd Rock From the Sun," a sit-com about a family of aliens living in contemporary America.

Actors Brad Pitt (left) and Jason Patric star in *Sleepers*, a film about four men and their extraordinary scheme to revenge the abuse they experienced as boys. The controversial movie also stars Dustin Hoffman, Robert De Niro and Kevin Bacon.



CBS from Shooting Star

America's favorite sit-com father, Bill Cosby, enjoys the success of his new CBS show, "Cosby." In January 1997, however, tragedy strikes as Cosby's son Ennis is killed in Los Angeles in an apparent random robbery.



Warner Bros. from Kickin'

Stars Bill Paxton and Helen Hunt flee a tornado of awesome proportions in *Twister*, another summer blockbuster, which tells the story of storm chasers highly devoted to studying the inner workings of tornadoes.

Michael J. Fox returns to television in September as a deputy mayor in ABC's "Spin City," a sit-com about the inner workings of New York's City Hall.



Dream Works SKG from Shooting Star

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Folk and blues artist Tracy Chapman returns to the scene in 1996 with the single "Give Me One Reason." Chapman receives five Grammy nominations in January 1997.

The artist formerly known as Prince releases *Emancipation*, a three-hour, three-CD album, in honor of his release from his Warner Bros. recording contract.

Guitarist Slash of Guns N' Roses forms his own band. His new group, Slash's Blues Ball, is a six-man blues band grounded in the blues-based hard rock of the 1970s.

Rocker Sheryl Crow joins the ranks of musicians who have had their albums banned from Wal-Mart. The retail giant objects to a lyric alleging that kids kill each other with guns they obtained from the store.



The Beatles' *Anthology 3*, the third and final album from the reunited remaining members of the band, is released in November. Following the example of their two previous anthologies, *Anthology 3* sells in record numbers.

Andy Maloney, L&L



Kiss bass guitarist Gene Simmons strikes a familiar pose as the band kicks off a reunion tour with a June 28 concert in Detroit. The tour marks the first time the original members of the band perform together since 1979.



Tom Mackenzie, L&L

Canadian pop artist Celine Dion tops the charts in 1996 with the album *Falling Into You*, which sells more than 16 million copies worldwide.



Kipp L&L

British pop superstars Liam (left) and Noel Gallagher cancel the remainder of a U.S. concert tour in September amid rumors that their band, Oasis, is breaking up. Denying the reports, the brothers announce they will release a new album in the summer of 1997.

Alternative-rock band Nirvana releases a new album, *From the Muddy Banks of the Wishkah*, in October. The album contains 17 live tracks recorded between 1989 and the 1994 suicide of singer Kurt Cobain (right).



Tom Mackenzie, L&L

Bush, a British rock group with an American "grunge" sound, tours the U.S. to promote their album *Sixteen Stone*. They release another chart-topping album, *Razorblade Suitcase*, in the winter.



Steve Jaramila, L&L



Steve Jaramila, L&L

Heavy metal band Metallica is the headlining act for the summer concert Lollapalooza, traditionally an alternative-rock show. Metallica remains high-profile, winning an MTV award for the year's Best Hard Rock Video in September.



Robbie Lieberman, Photos

After 10 years of separation, members of the band Van Halen are reunited with their former lead singer, David Lee Roth (right), at the MTV Video Music Awards in September. Roth later claims he thought he was rejoining the band, who chose a different lead singer.



Steve Jennings, LGI

No Doubt, fronted by lead singer Gwen Stefani, releases *Tragic Kingdom*, which includes such chart-toppers as "Just a Girl," "Spiderwebs," and "Don't Speak."



Allen Stone, LGI

Counting Crows' second album, *Recovering the Satellites*, is released in October. The long-awaited follow-up to 1993's *August and Everything After* debuts at number one on the charts.

George Strait is honored by the Country Music Association in October with three major awards—Single of the Year for "Check Yes or No," Album of the Year for *Clear Blue Sky*, and Male Vocalist of the Year.



Tim Moser/Red, LGI

The hit single "Where It's At" kicks off the new Beck album *Odelay*, which is released to popular and critical acclaim. *Spin* magazine awards Beck Artist of the Year.



Mike Kadimotoni/Red from LGI



Lois Lerner, LGI

Toni Braxton's second album, *Secrets*, is released in summer 1996. Braxton wins R&B Single of the Year for "Let It Flow" at the *Billboard* Music Awards in the fall.



Robbie J. Davis/Photo Disc, LGI

Alanis Morissette's *Jagged Little Pill* reigns the charts, becoming the all-time top-selling album by a female artist. Morissette also dominates the 1996 Grammys by winning four awards, including Best Album.



Neil Frenkel/Red, LGI

Death Row Records co-founder Dr. Dre, often dubbed the "godfather of gangsta" rap, begins distancing himself from hard-core rap. "Been There, Done That," his break-away anthem, premieres on MTV in September.



Adam Scharf, LGI

Fourteen-year-old singing sensation LeAnn Rimes is nominated for the Country Music Association's Horizon Award after the breakthrough success of her single "Blue." The popular new star is often compared to country music legend Patsy Cline.



AP/Wide World

The music world is stunned in September by the death of rapper Tupac Shakur, killed in a drive-by shooting in Las Vegas. Speculations as to the killer's motive abound, but the year ends with no answers and no arrests.



Arnie L. Liffice, LGI

R.E.M.'s 12th album, *New Adventures in Hi-Fi*, the group's first recording since 1994's *Monster*, is released by Warner Bros. in September.

The Wallflowers, with Jakob Dylan, son of legendary folk artist Bob Dylan, release *Bringing Down the Horse*, which features hit singles "One Headlight" and "6th Avenue Heartache."



Rock, LGI

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Tennis pro Pete Sampras wins the eighth grand-slam title of his career at the U.S. Open in September. Steffi Graf wins the U.S. Open Women's title, beating Monica Seles.

Pro boxer Mike Tyson loses his Heavyweight Champion of the World title to Evander Holyfield in a November match. Holyfield, a former two-time world champion, reclaims his title in the surprise win.

Chicago Bulls star Dennis Rodman furthers his controversial reputation by kicking a photographer in the groin during a game against the Minnesota Timberwolves in January 1997. Rodman is suspended for up to 11 games without pay, costing him more than \$1 million, in addition to a \$25,000 fine to the NBA, as well as a reported \$200,000 settlement with the photographer.

Baltimore Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar is suspended for five games, deferred to the 1997 season, when he spits on an umpire during a heated argument over a questionable call in the National League play-offs. Controversy ensues over the leniency of the punishment.

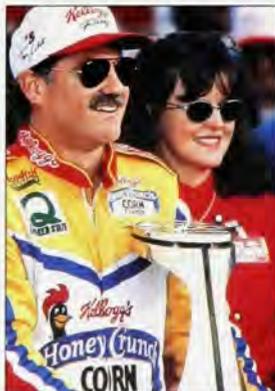


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Team USA wins the World Cup of Hockey, beating Canada 5-2 in the final. Eight teams from Canada, Europe and the U.S. participate in the World Cup, which replaced the Canada Cup.



Twenty-year-old golfing phenom Eldrick "Tiger" Woods turns pro in August, making the transition from exceptional amateur golfer to well-endorsed professional, including a deal with Nike worth an estimated \$40 million.



Craig Zorn, Allsport



AP/Belo Allsport

In June, the Colorado Avalanche beat the Florida Panthers in the NHL Stanley Cup play-offs. The final game in the series remains scoreless until 1:05 a.m., when the Avalanche finally score the winning goal in the third overtime period.



AP/Belo Allsport



Reuters/Archive Photos

Paul Molitor of the Minnesota Twins becomes the 21st player in major league history to reach 3,000 career hits. The milestone is reached in September, when Molitor triples against Kansas City Royals rookie pitcher Jose Rosado.

Race car driver Terry Labonte wins NASCAR's Winston Cup championship with a total of 4,657 points after finishing fifth in the final race, the Napa 500, at the Atlanta Motor Speedway.

Led by quarterback Brett Favre, the Green Bay Packers beat the New England Patriots 35-21 in Super Bowl XXXI at the Louisiana Superdome. It is the Packers' first Super Bowl since 1968.



AP/Wide World

The New York Yankees win the World Series, beating the Atlanta Braves in a four-game sweep, after losing the first two games. It is the first series title for the Yankees since 1978.



The U.S. women's gymnastics team takes the gold at the Summer Olympics. Kerri Strug, second from right, is the heroine of the competition, landing her final vault despite a dislocated left ankle.



The Chicago Bulls win their fourth NBA championship in six years as they defeat the Seattle SuperSonics in game six of the NBA finals on June 16.

U.S. swimmer Amy Van Dyken wins the women's 100-meter butterfly event at the Olympic Games with a time of 59.13 seconds. Van Dyken wins a total of four golds.

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U.S. Olympian Dan O'Brien racks up 8,824 points to take the gold medal in the decathlon, a grueling, 10-event track-and-field competition.

April 1996 marks the 100th running of the Boston Marathon. More than 38,000 contenders participate.



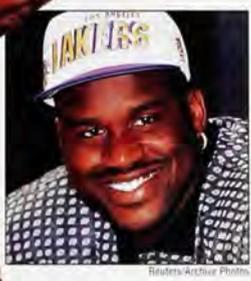
Jean Dinscoll (front right) of the U.S. takes the silver in the women's 800-meter wheelchair race, a demonstration sport, at the Summer Olympics. Dinscoll, seven-time winner of the Boston Marathon, retires at the end of 1996, after setting several world records during her career.

Olympic swimmer Tom Dolan captures another gold for the U.S. as he wins the 400-meter individual medley on July 21. Dolan wins with a time of 4:14.90.



Minnesota Twins star centerfielder Kirby Puckett announces his retirement from baseball in July. A serious eye ailment forces Puckett to give up the game, but he manages to maintain his upbeat attitude at press conferences and interviews.

U.S. Olympian Michael Johnson wins the 200-meter final in a world-record time of 19.32 seconds. Johnson's triumph comes three days after he wins the 400-meter race, making him the first man to win both events in one Olympics.



Basketball star Shaquille O'Neal jumps from the Orlando Magic to the Los Angeles Lakers in July. The deal is the richest in NBA history, paying O'Neal \$120 million over 7 years.

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Helping consumers maintain privacy, marketers promote home AIDS tests. Consumers draw their own blood and then send it away to be tested confidentially.

Advancing technology means more options on telephones, including Caller ID, which becomes more common than ever in 1996. The display unit, allows people to see the name and number of their caller before even answering the phone.

Authors Ellen Fein and Sherrin Schneider release *The Rules*, a controversial manual teaching women strategies for getting a man to propose marriage. While the book draws criticism from both sexes, it is a best-seller.

The U.S. Postal Service issues stamps commemorating Hanukkah, the first non-Christian religious holiday ever featured on a stamp.

Casual Fridays become more and more widespread in American work culture. Businesses allow employees who normally dress in professional clothing at work to wear more comfortable, casual clothing on Fridays.

A "Sesame Street" stuffed toy causes panic among holiday shoppers. Tickle Me Elmo sells out in stores nationwide, and has shoppers fighting over scarce inventory and paying hundreds of times the toy's value.

My Twinn Doll Company



The My Twinn Doll Company offers individually crafted dolls that replicate, from a photo, the eye color, hair and facial features of a living girl. Each doll comes with two matching outfits, one for the doll and one for the owner.



Nail polish colors get darker and funkier. Deep browns and blues are popular forms of expression and style.



The ongoing dance craze is the "Macarena," a Latin line dance. People of all ages participate in the dance, including Olympians, delegates and workers of the Democratic National Convention (above) and the New York Yankees grounds crew.



The minimum wage is raised to \$4.75 in October and will increase again to \$5.15, effective September 1, 1997.



The beverage industry introduces a new concept—bottled water with caffeine! One bottle of the uncarbonated water contains as much caffeine as one cup of coffee.

Disney's 101

Dalmatians inspires an avalanche of promotional merchandise, filling stores with spotted toys, backpacks, games and other odds and ends.



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