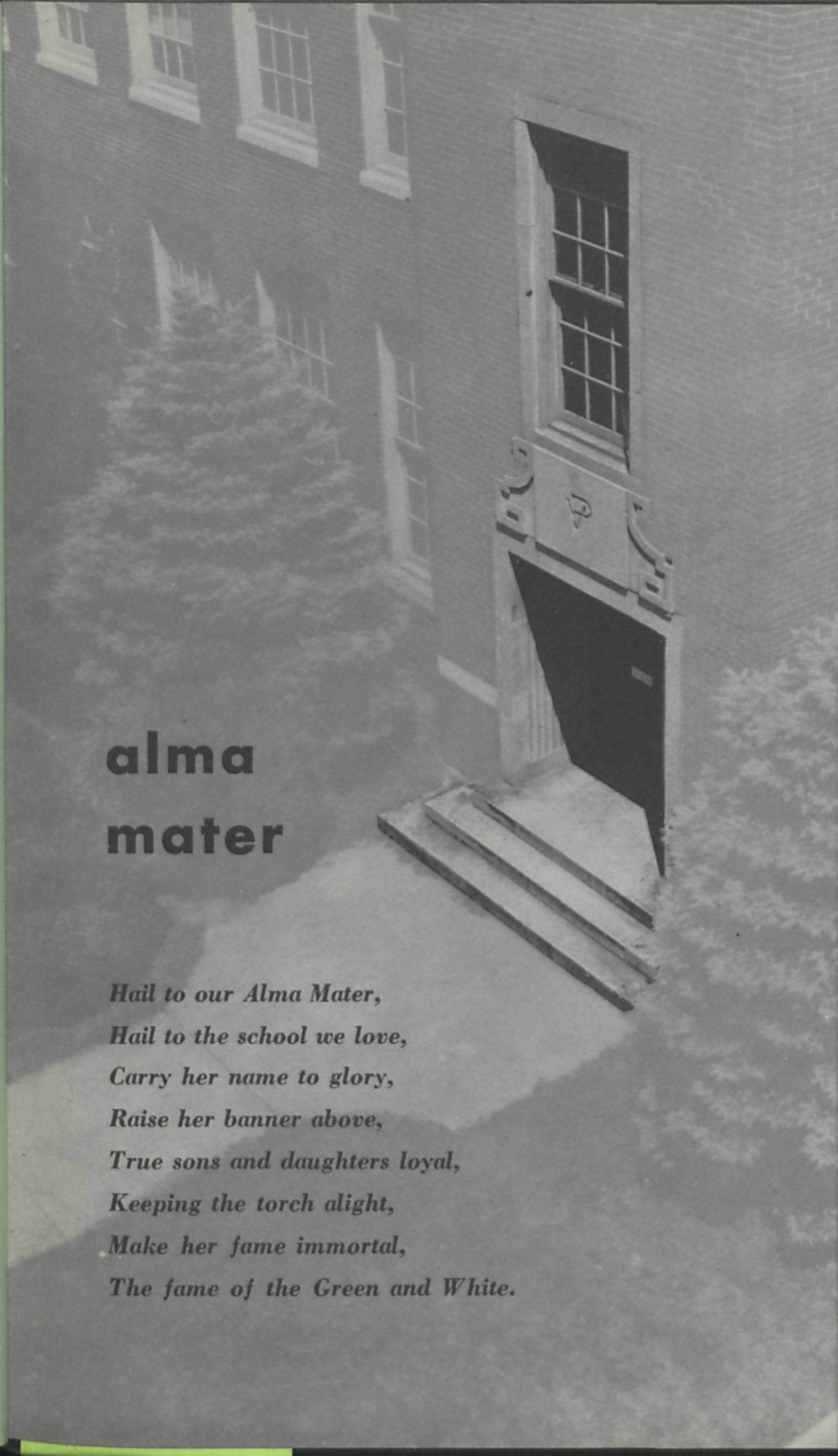


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# alma mater

*Hail to our Alma Mater,  
Hail to the school we love,  
Carry her name to glory,  
Raise her banner above,  
True sons and daughters loyal,  
Keeping the torch alight,  
Make her fame immortal,  
The fame of the Green and White.*





# the 1955 valley green



*As members of the original cast,  
we take our final curtain call  
to spotlight the various roles  
we have portrayed in the four-act play,  
"HOW GREEN WAS OUR VALLEY."*



Published by the Senior Class of 1955

**passaic valley high school**

little falls, new jersey



## programme

*Time:*

September, 1951 to June, 1955

*Place:*

Passaic Valley Regional High School  
Little Falls, N. J.

*Dramatis Personae:*

The Stars:  
The Class Officers

The Members of the Cast:  
The Senior Class of 1955

*Prologue:*

"Thoughts on the New Year"

*Act I:*

The Freshman Year, 1951-1952.  
Intermission

*Act II:*

The Sophomore Year, 1952-1953.  
Intermission

*Act III:*

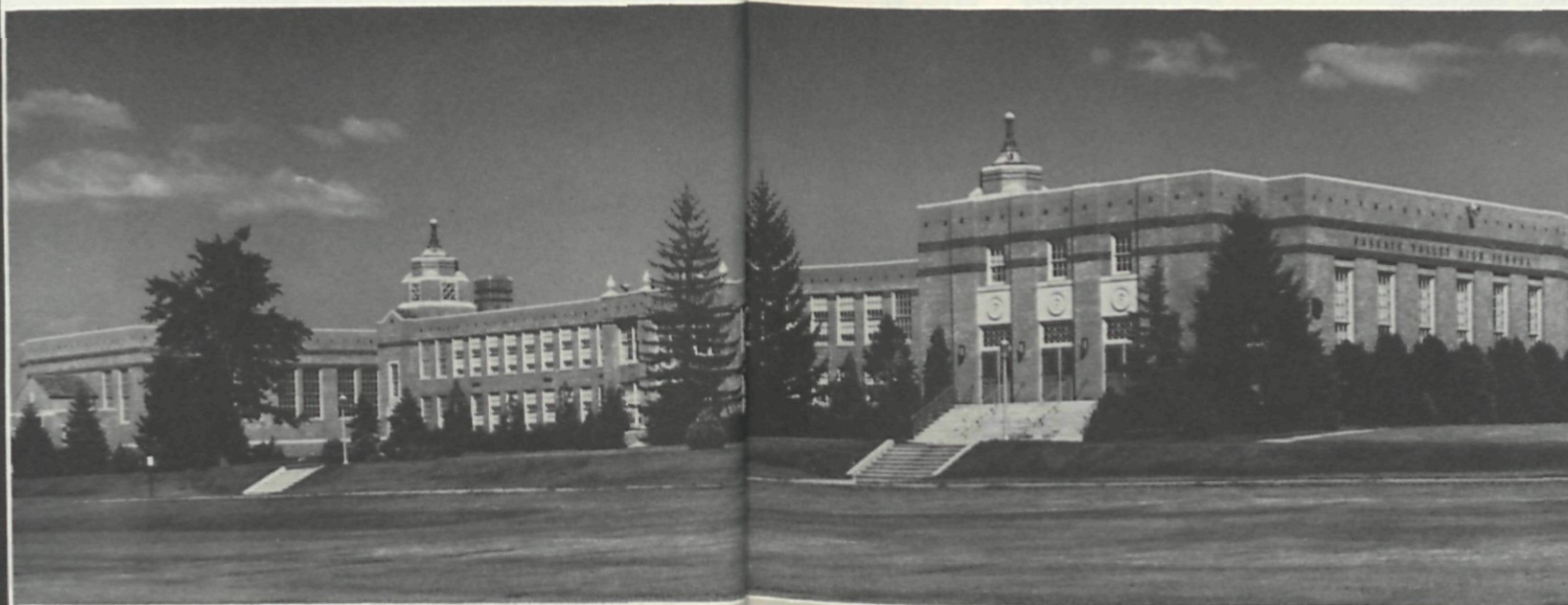
The Junior Year, 1953-1954.  
Intermission

*Act IV:*

The Senior Year, 1954-1955.

*Epilogue*

"Last Curtain Call"



## prologue

"The actor sits in deeply darkened hall  
To see himself upon a silver screen . . .  
His acts—the good, the bad, the great, the small.  
So we, now looking backward through the groove  
Of time, behold ourselves as in a play;  
What acts we may approve or disapprove.  
Behold this stage of life, this passing show."

. . . "Thoughts on the New Year"

by Nina D. Rogers





**edward t.  
schneider, ed.d.**

*New York University*  
Superintendent

To Dr. Schneider, the executive producer of our four-act drama, the class of 1955 would like to make known its heartfelt gratitude for his generous help throughout our stay at Passaic Valley.

Although it hasn't always been easy, he has guided us for four years patiently and with great understanding.

**executive producers**

**david c.  
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*Columbia University*  
Assistant Principal

To Mr. MacMurray, the senior class wishes to offer its sincere thanks and appreciation for his personal guidance and interest in our individual problems during our 'four-year-run' at Valley.

He has helped us since our freshman year in choosing the best possible program for each of us while in school and in the future.





# dedication



**margaret m. budde**

In dedicating this yearbook to Miss Margaret M. Budde, head of the Mathematics Department, we applaud her fine directing of all our class activities, as well as her helpful coaching when we missed our cues or fumbled our lines during the many rehearsals in order to produce a four-act drama of high-school life at Valley, the principal scenes of which are presented in the following pages.



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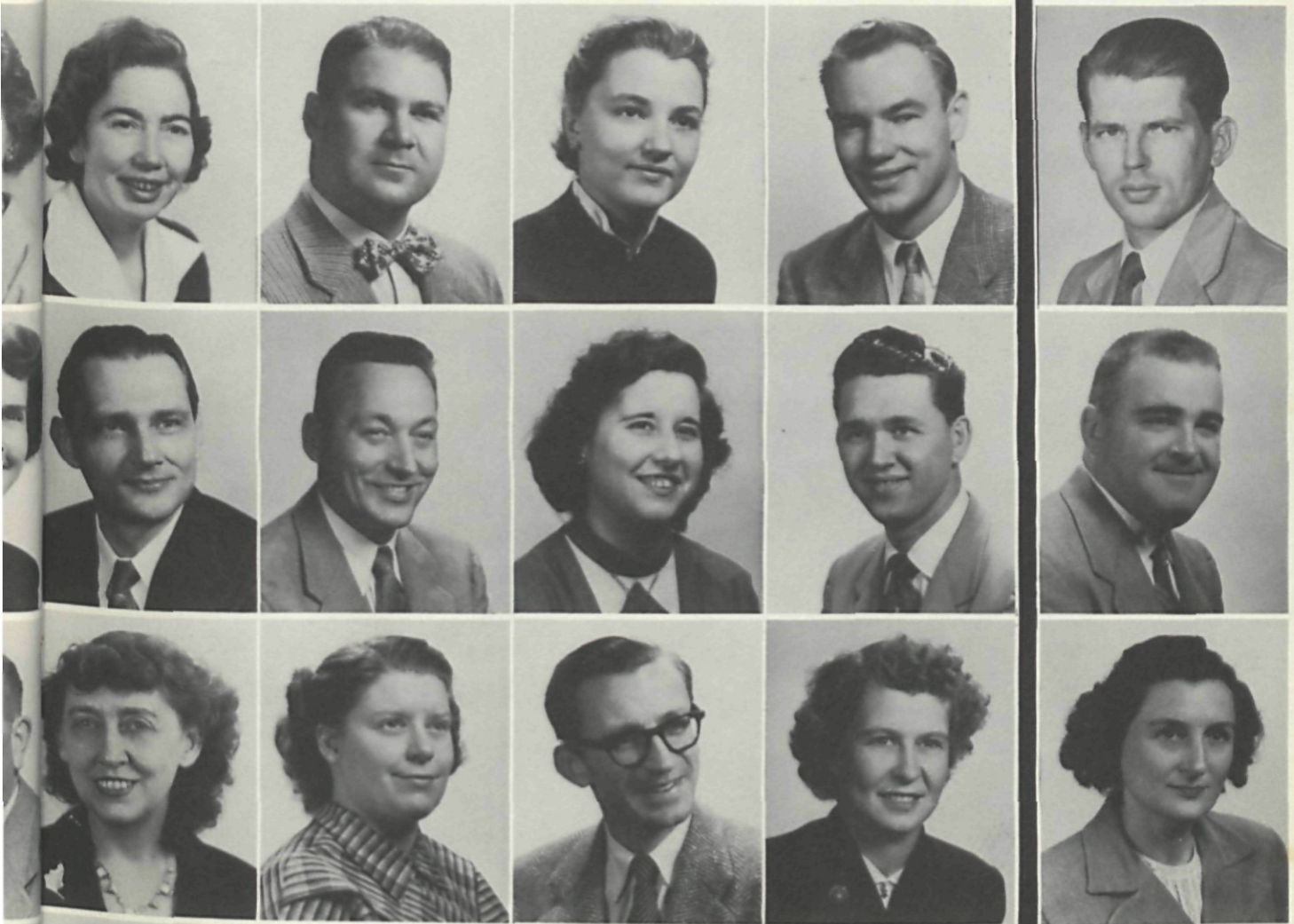
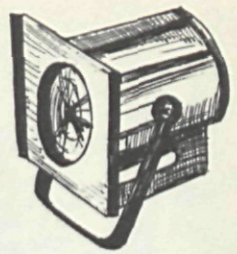
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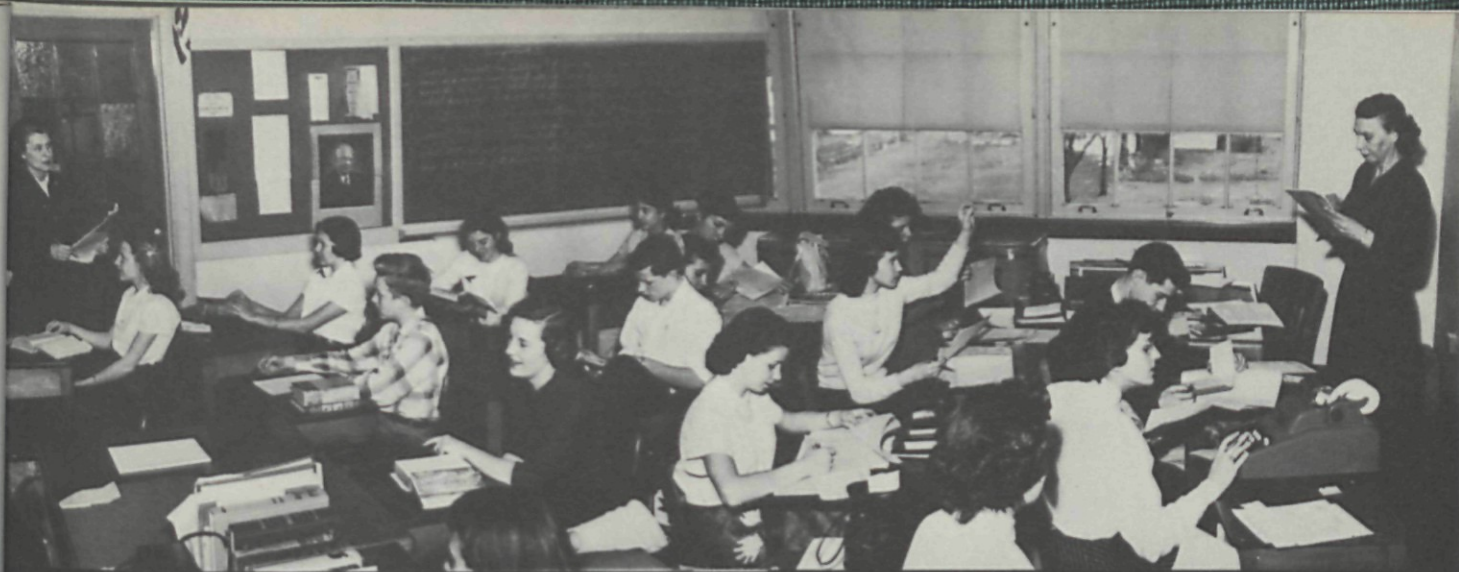
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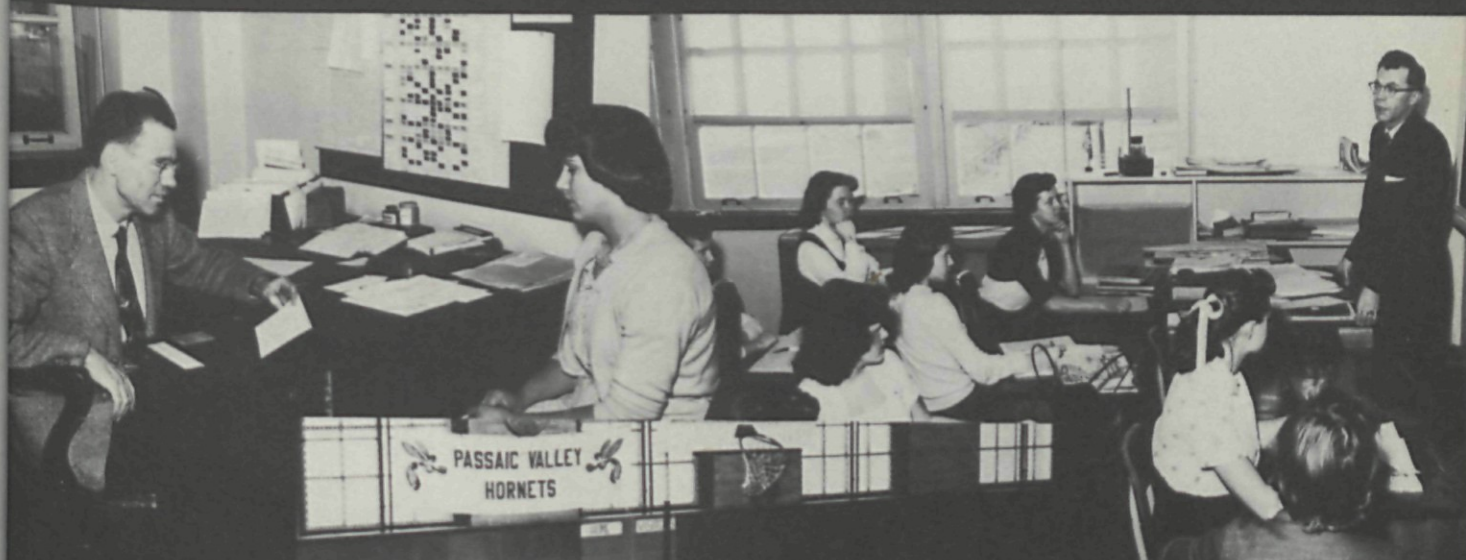






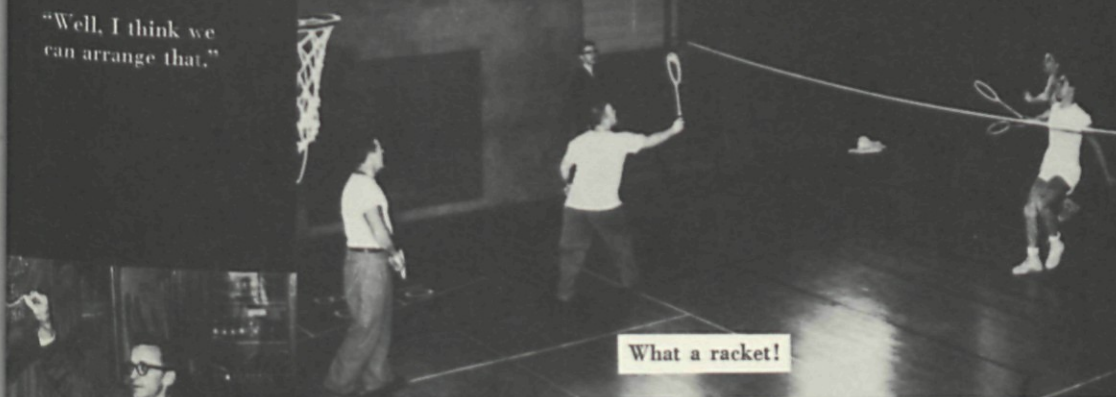
"The Venetians did *not* invent Venetian blinds!"

"What idiot put the gas bill under credits?"



"Well, I think we can arrange that."

"Who sent me that subscription to the *Daily Worker*?"



What a racket!



This is business?

"A log is not something you fall off of."





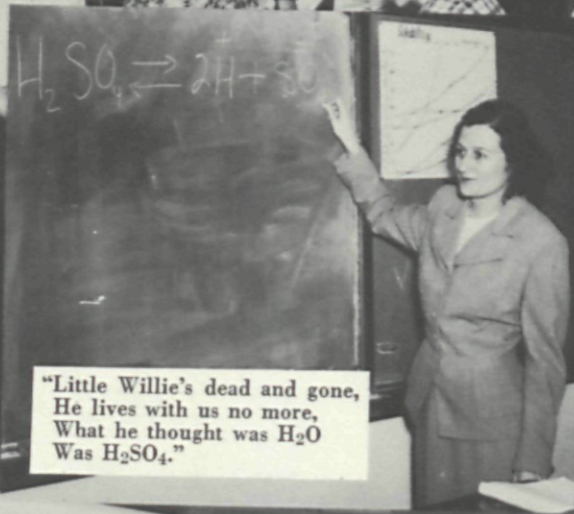
"DAVY . . . Davy Crockett! King of the Wild Frontier!"

"You playboy, you!"



"Stop making eyes at the camera!"

"Your lines are out of proportion."



"Little Willie's dead and gone,  
He lives with us no more,  
What he thought was H<sub>2</sub>O  
Was H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>."



Stripped-gears Special.

"It'll pass in the dark."



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freshmen



*When we were freshmen . . .*

## **act I: freshman year**

### **SCENE I: FRESHMAN DAY**

The setting for our four-act drama is Freshman Day, September, 1951. Do you recall how confused we were on that memorable day, looking behind the doors for the number of the room, finding the right class five minutes late, and going up and down the wrong stairs? Remember how the upperclassmen stood and talked about us? It didn't take us long, however, to know and become a part of the school. After a week or so of practice, we were as experienced as old timers.

### **SCENE II: CLASS OFFICERS**

To get the action of our drama under way, Miss Budde, our adviser, helped us to organize the election of officers. We appointed as our leaders: David Minchin, President; Alberta Brower, Vice-President; Regina Sandford, Secretary; and Carol Herrmann, Treasurer.

### **SCENE III: TALENT SHOW**

For the first action of our play, the annual talent show was presented in December with Andy Temple, Dolores DeJulia, and Ann Mure representing our class. The theme of the show was a scene on a dude ranch. The big winner was Andy with his sensational juggling act and in the class competition we were judged the best.

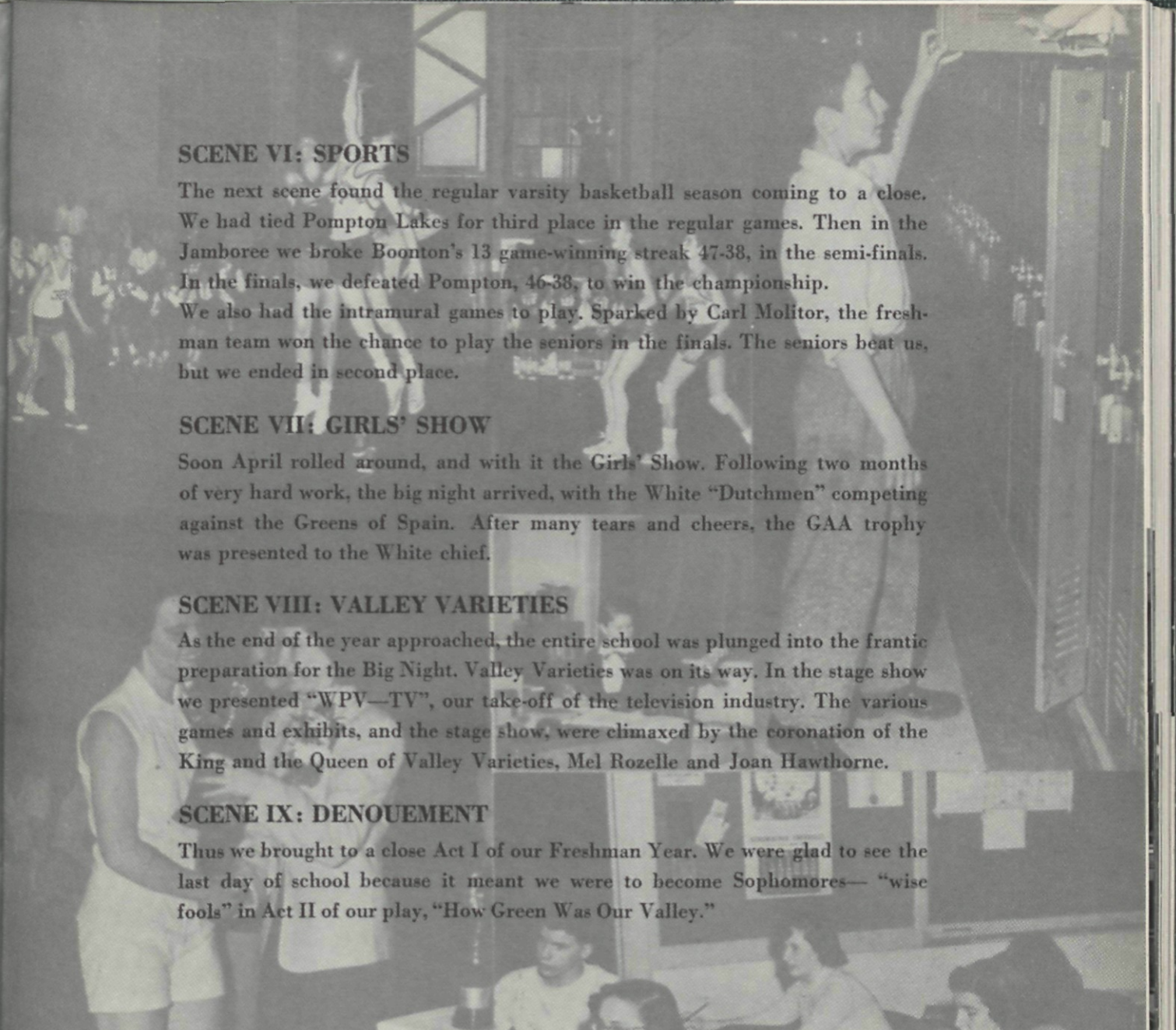
### **SCENE IV: FRESHMAN DANCE**

As the scene changed, we found ourselves in January faced with the prospect of staging the Freshman Dance. With hurried ideas, we planned and on January 19, presented Freshman Candyland. The centerpiece was a large ice cream cone and the wall decorations were candy canes and lollipops.

### **SCENE V: MAGAZINE SALE**

We approached the climax of our first act with the start of the magazine campaign. With the profit we made a payment on the P. A. System and built a play area behind the school. As is customary for freshmen, we displayed our skill as salesmen by selling more than any other class.





### SCENE VI: SPORTS

The next scene found the regular varsity basketball season coming to a close. We had tied Pompton Lakes for third place in the regular games. Then in the Jamboree we broke Boonton's 13 game-winning streak 47-38, in the semi-finals. In the finals, we defeated Pompton, 46-38, to win the championship. We also had the intramural games to play. Sparked by Carl Molitor, the freshman team won the chance to play the seniors in the finals. The seniors beat us, but we ended in second place.

### SCENE VII: GIRLS' SHOW


Soon April rolled around, and with it the Girls' Show. Following two months of very hard work, the big night arrived, with the White "Dutchmen" competing against the Greens of Spain. After many tears and cheers, the GAA trophy was presented to the White chief.

### SCENE VIII: VALLEY VARIETIES

As the end of the year approached, the entire school was plunged into the frantic preparation for the Big Night. Valley Varieties was on its way. In the stage show we presented "WPV-TV", our take-off of the television industry. The various games and exhibits, and the stage show, were climaxed by the coronation of the King and the Queen of Valley Varieties, Mel Rozelle and Joan Hawthorne.

### SCENE IX: DENOUEMENT

Thus we brought to a close Act I of our Freshman Year. We were glad to see the last day of school because it meant we were to become Sophomores—"wise fools" in Act II of our play, "How Green Was Our Valley."



#### FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS 1951-1952

President, David Minchin; Vice-President, Alberta Brower; Secretary, Regina Sandford; Treasurer, Carol Herrmann.

Adviser, Miss Budde.



# intermission



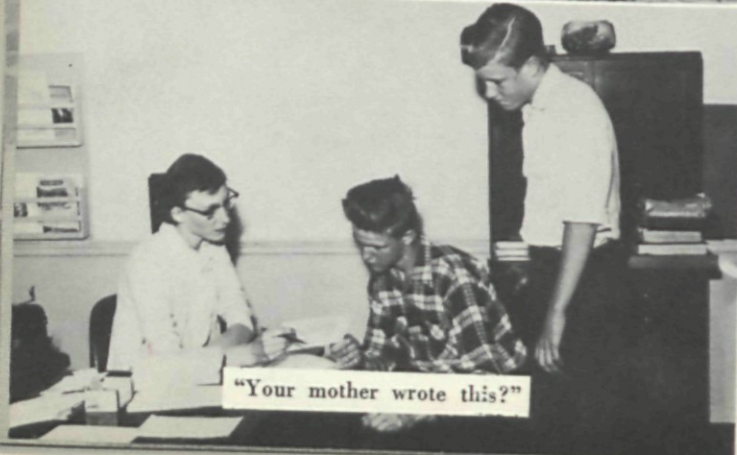
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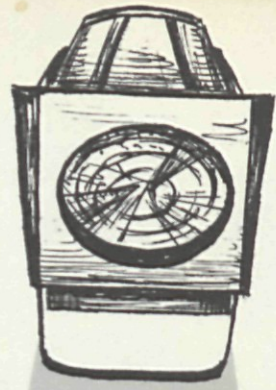
Freshmen assembly line.



"Tomorrow before school!"



"Your mother wrote this?"



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Miss Welliver, *Adviser*; James Capalbo, *President*; Carol Van Splinter, *Vice President*; Patricia Ward, *Secretary*; Grace DeDiminicanio, *Treasurer*.







SGA Representatives and Mr. Michael Gatti, Director.

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Under the able leadership of our officers and Mr. Michael Gatti, the Student Government Association has been responsible for many innovations, one of the most important of which was the introduction of student supervised study halls.

Not only have our officers been active in our SGA, but they have worked diligently to better relations with other schools.



SGA Council and Faculty



SGA Officers

June Carafella, Treasurer; J. Randolph Castile, Vice President; Loretta Trione, Secretary; John Acorn, President.



## honor society

Membership in the Honor Society is the highest honor that can be bestowed on any student at Passaic Valley. The student is only admitted after highest achievement scholastically and in extra-curricular activities.



## tri-hi-y

This organization, advised by Miss Adra Tiessen, is a service group whose aims are to promote better citizenship and Christian character.

## hi-y

Affiliated with the Paterson Y. M. C. A. and the Tri-Hi-Y, this organization strives to serve its school and community, while offering wholesome fellowship for young men.







## assembly committee

This committee has the responsibility of providing the entertainment for the student body through the weekly assemblies. Together with their advisers, Mrs. Helen Chiocca, they have given us many interesting and entertaining programs.

## library aides

This group, headed by the Librarian, Miss May Miller, has rendered a distinct service by repairing books, straightening shelves, arranging bulletin boards, and performing many other tasks in the library.



## stage and lighting crew

The various presentations of the school would not have been possible without the effort and skill of the Stage and Lighting Crew. Under the capable direction of Mr. Kuziora and Mr. Worden, they have been of indispensable service to the school.





## art service corps

Under the direction of Mr. Kuziora, the Art Service Corps has provided the necessary art work for a great number of school presentations.



## masque and sandal

The Masque and Sandal, an outstanding organization of Valley, provides students with a closer understanding of the dramatic field. Directed by Miss Licciardolo, they have provided several assemblies throughout the year.

## eiII club

The Math Club, under the direction of Mr. Mailloux, has as its purpose to interest students in math and related subjects.





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*When we were sophomores . . .*

## **act II: sophomore year**

### **SCENE I: CLASS OFFICERS**

To start our second act off with a bang we elected Carl Molitor, John Acorn, Regina Sanford, and Catherine Crossley as President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, respectively. To make money, pencils and emblems were sold under their leadership.

### **SCENE II: TALENT SHOW**

The talent show once more approached. Our class was represented by Andy Temple, Dolores De Julia, Ralph Cannito, and the "High Hats," a four piece band that consisted of Bill Conti, Tom Melone, John Fiorello, and Ted Sharpe. As in our freshman year, we were the class winners, and for the second consecutive year Andy Temple won the individual prize.

### **SCENE III: SPORTS**

To continue the action of our play, along came basketball season. The varsity team once again had a successful season. They finished in a tie for second place in the conference, and once again became the Jamboree champs. We had an added attraction this year. Ned Nann set a new school record at thirty points. Also around this time the intramural games were played. With Carl Molitor as coach, our team became the champions. We defeated the seniors in the first game, and the juniors in the second game.

### **SCENE IV: SOPHOMORE DANCE**

Later in the spring, we presented Blue Heaven as our class dance. The ceiling was decorated with different shades of blue crepe paper with sparkling stars. As the tradition had been, we crowned a king and a queen. The honors went to Jack Donnelly and Pat Byrne. Members of the court were Ruth Kik, Carl Molitor, Rosemary Pentland, John Acorn, Marilyn Cerruti, and Dick Wetzel. The dance was quite successful.



### SCENE V: GIRLS' SHOW

As the curtain rose on Scene V, the girls were busily engaged in preparation for the 13th annual Girls' Show. With the themes of Modern and Medieval, representing Whites and Greens respectively, the exciting competition got under way. To climax the program, a victorious Green Chief was carried off the floor by her followers.

### SCENE VI: VALLEY VARIETIES

Finally the gala affair of the school year arrived. This year the main attraction was "Ye Gods and Little Texans" with many students demonstrating their talents. After the patrons had enjoyed the show and the various other attractions, they gathered in the gym for the crowning event of the evening in which they observed the new King and Queen, Jerry Sharpe and Sally White.

### SCENE VII: DENOUEMENT

At long last our underclass apprenticeship had been served. We were on the threshold of becoming juniors—one more step up the ladder.

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS 1952-1953

President, Carl Molitor; Vice-President,  
John Acorn; Secretary, Regina Sandford;  
Treasurer, Catherine Crossley;  
Adviser, Miss Budde.





# intermission



King and Queen of Soph Dance—Frank Minchener and Donna Stokes.



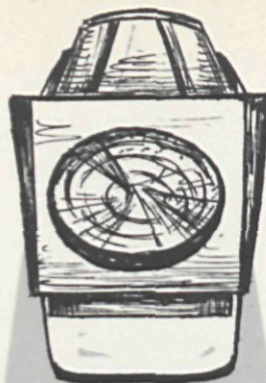
Soph Dance



"What is the plural of 'ski'?"



Sophomore trip around Manhattan.



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Mr. Paul Nixon, *Adviser*; Frank Michener, *President*; Donna Stokes, *Secretary*; Barbara Geitner, *Vice President*; Paula Moore, *Treasurer*.







## commercial service corps

The Commercial Service Corps provides some excellent opportunities to apply information taught in the business curriculum at Valley. The members of this organization serve teachers in typing, filing, or running off a ditto or a stencil, under the direction of Mrs. Harriet Griswold.

## commercial club

The Commercial Club, consisting of students in the business curriculum, provides opportunity to familiarize members with commercial procedures.

The members have taken field trips to places where business methods are applied. The organization is under the guidance of Mrs. Helen Williams.



## audio-visual aides

Under the supervision of Mr. Thomas Kean, the Audio-Visual organization of Valley has provided the student body with many fine films. This group works with the projectors and acoustics in the presentation of motion pictures throughout the school year.



## pre-nursing club

This club is composed of most of the girls who intend to enter the nursing profession. Together with Miss Helen Angel, their adviser, the club strives to acquaint the students with the requirements necessary to enter nursing.



## attendance checkers

These girls perform a valuable service to the school by collecting attendance slips and helping out in the office. They are selected by the office and work during their study periods.

## junior police

This year as in the past, the Junior Police have rendered an outstanding service to the school by assisting at all school events and directing traffic on school grounds. Their adviser is Mr. Allan McGuirk.







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*When we were juniors . . .*

## **act III: junior year**

### **SCENE I: CLASS OFFICERS**

Before we knew it, we were juniors. Our new officers were John Acorn, President; Larry Gabriel, Vice-President; Regina Sandford, Secretary; and Pat Coffey, Treasurer. We continued with the sale of pencils to make money.

### **SCENE II: CHRISTMAS COTILLION**

As was the tradition, our junior class dance was the Christmas Cotillion. As our theme, we used Blue Christmas. The decorations were blue and silver, the ceiling was decorated as a sky with snowflakes falling. The trees contained all blue lights shining through the silver. The dance was held on a Friday night, and was quite successful.

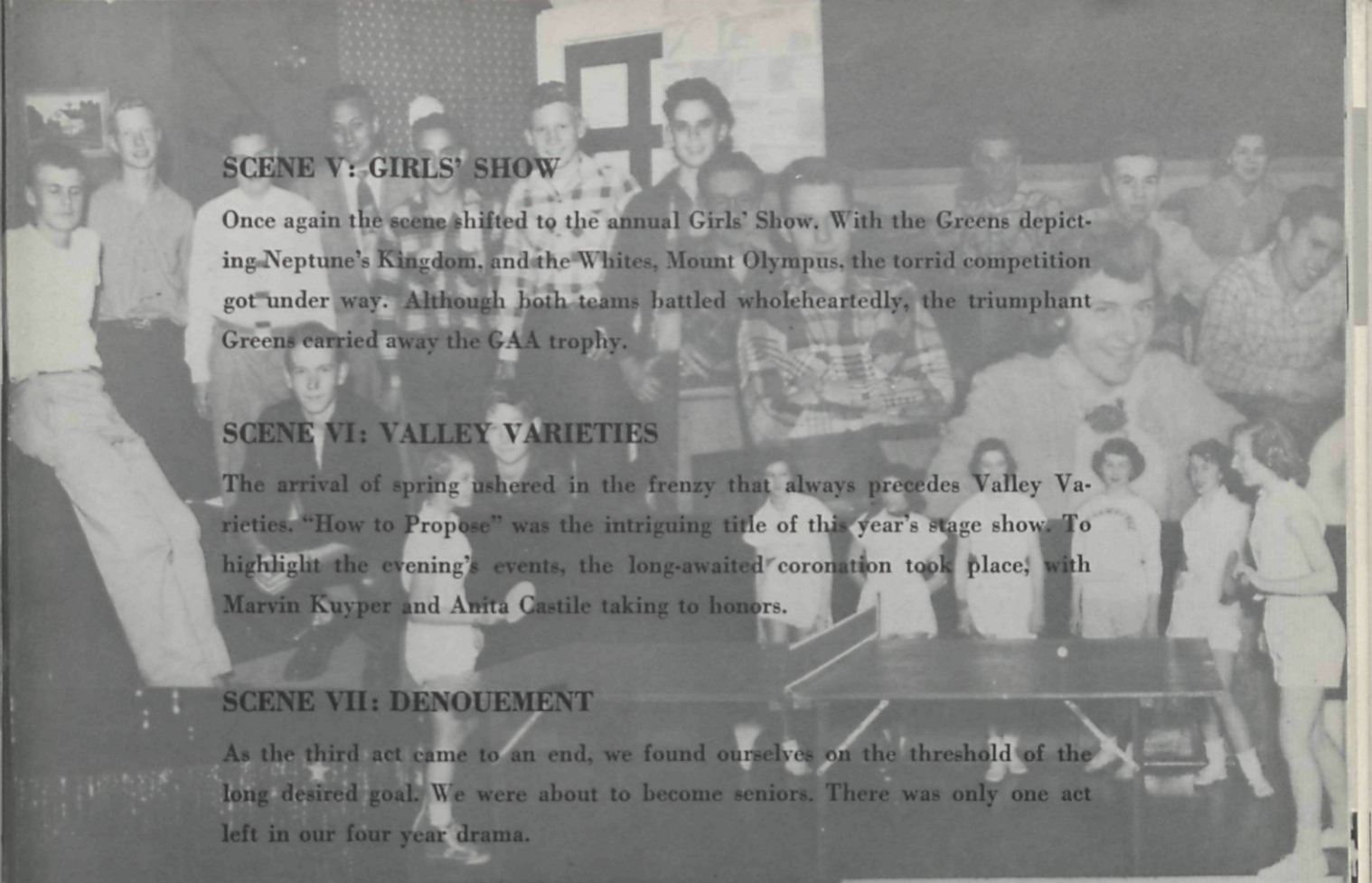
### **SCENE III: TALENT SHOW**

Next on the scene came the annual talent show. The class prize was eliminated this year with an individual second prize inaugurated. Andy Temple performed his juggling act again, but was not included in the competition. Other classmates participating were George Lucas, Muriel Mues, and a quartet made up Larry Gabriel, John Sietsema, Charles Perry, and Nancy Merrell. George Lucas won the second prize.

### **SCENE IV: SPORTS**

Basketball season was upon us once more. Two juniors, Hank Douma and Jerry Fritz, were members of the starting squad. The team was very successful, for they ended the season as co-champs of the Lakeland Conference with Dover High, and as Jamboree Champs for the third straight time, and fourth out of the last five years. We entered the state tournament, but were beaten in the second game. It was a terrific season with wonderful spirit on behalf of the spectators as well as the players. Hank Douma placed on the second all-star team.





### SCENE V: GIRLS' SHOW

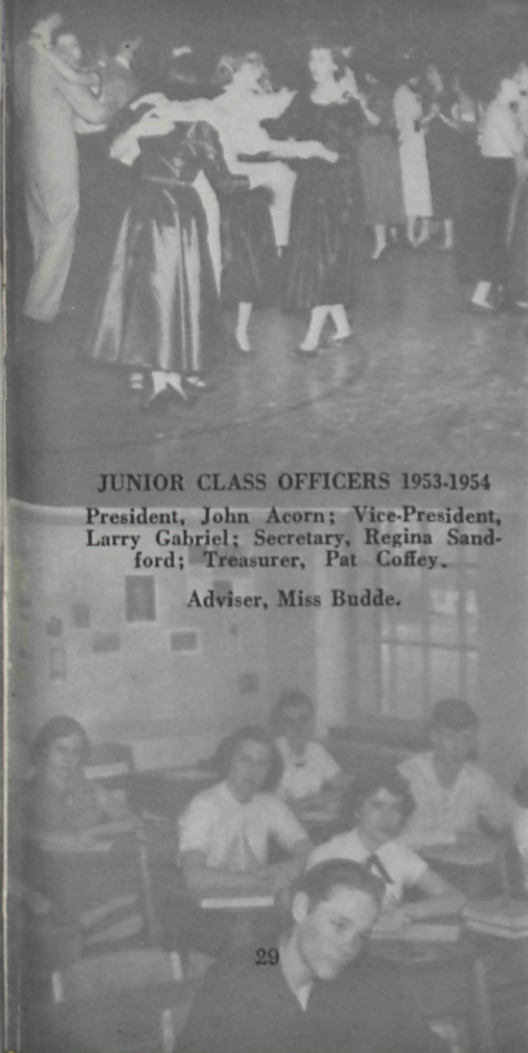
Once again the scene shifted to the annual Girls' Show. With the Greens depicting Neptune's Kingdom, and the Whites, Mount Olympus, the torrid competition got under way. Although both teams battled wholeheartedly, the triumphant Greens carried away the GAA trophy.

### SCENE VI: VALLEY VARIETIES

The arrival of spring ushered in the frenzy that always precedes Valley Varieties. "How to Propose" was the intriguing title of this year's stage show. To highlight the evening's events, the long-awaited coronation took place, with Marvin Kuyper and Anita Castile taking to honors.

### SCENE VII: DENOUEMENT

As the third act came to an end, we found ourselves on the threshold of the long desired goal. We were about to become seniors. There was only one act left in our four year drama.



### JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS 1953-1954

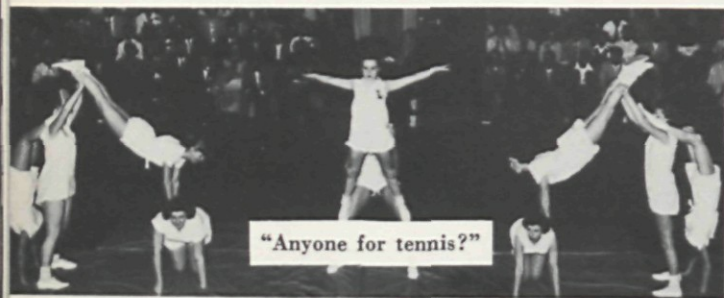
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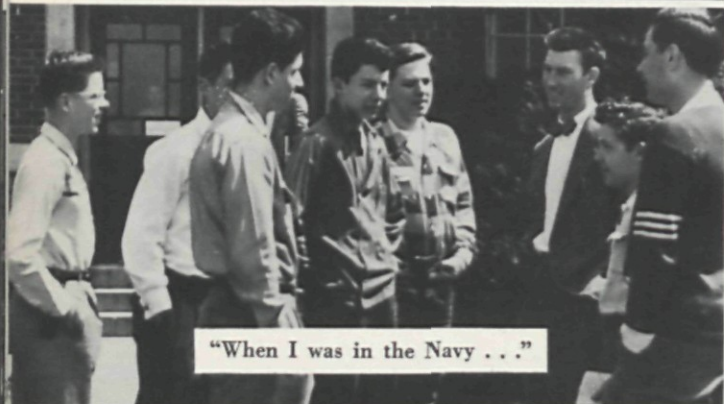




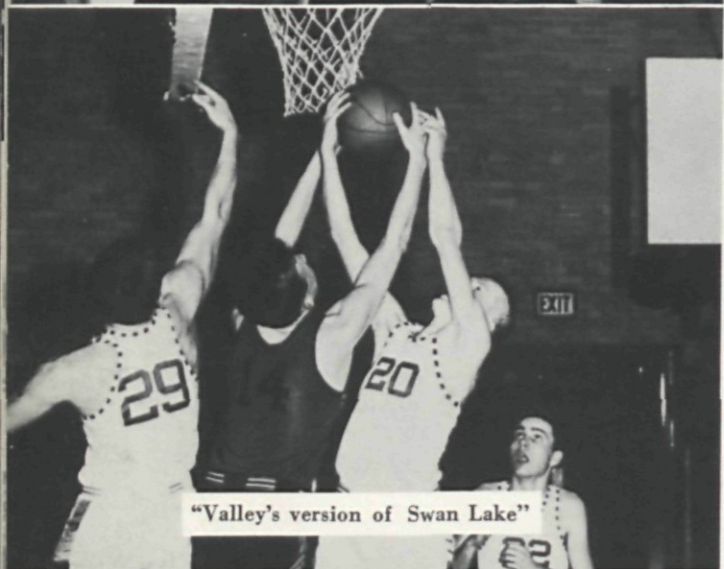
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"Anyone for tennis?"



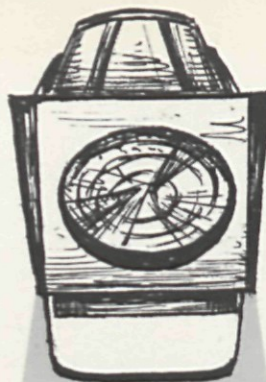
"When I was in the Navy . . ."



"Valley's version of Swan Lake"



"Twas the night before Christmas . . ."



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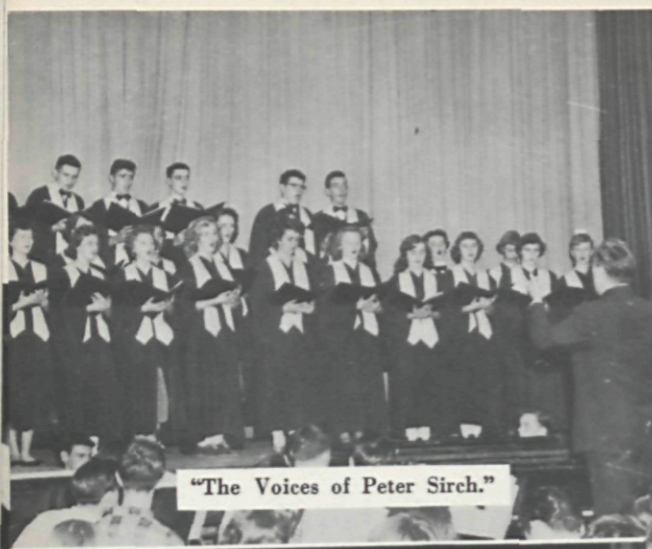




**music**







"The Voices of Peter Sirch."



"So there you are."



"Strange things are happening."



"Tomorrow we play, 'The Flight of the Bumblebee', 'Tchaikovsky's Sixth', and the 'Sabre Dance'."



"How now, brown cow."



"What a lot of hot air!"



"Sirch's Symphony."

# "we are the music-makers"



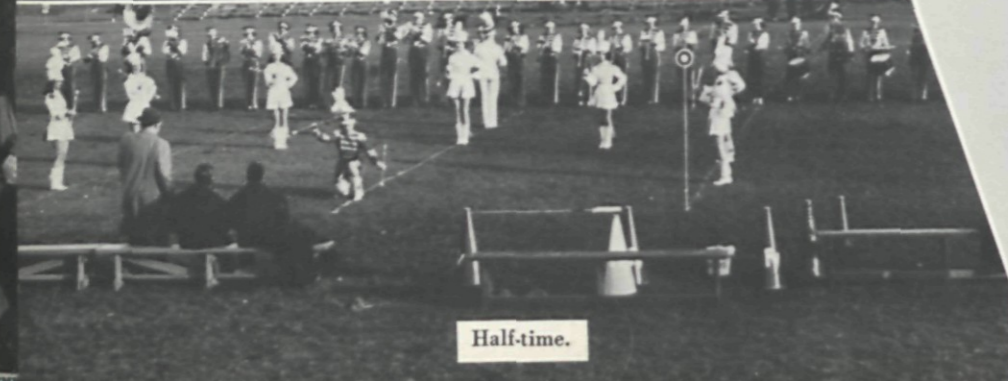
"Polonaise in A Mambo."



Valley spreads its fame.



Christmas Concert



Half-time.



"Go, man, go!"





"We'll make it better than these!"



"Cecille B. DeMille & Co."  
John Acorn, Larry Gabriel, Mr. Robert Boyce,  
Mike Spada, Jane De Augustinis.



"Now, this one!"

# 1955 valley green

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"Casey, crime photographer."

"Quiet! Genius at work."

"I smell wood burning."





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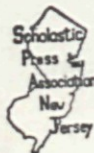
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**SCENE I: CLASS OFFICERS**

Now we were seniors. It didn't seem possible that four years could go so fast. This year our officers were Larry Gabriel, President; Beverly Zester, Vice-President; Marilyn Cerruti, Secretary; and Frances Hermanoski, Treasurer.

**SCENE II: SENIOR PLAY**

To start the year off with a bang we presented "Mr. Barry's Etchings" as our senior play. The class sold ads for the play programs, and quite a profit was made.

**SCENE III: SPORTS**

Next on the scene was the basketball season. At the end we were Lakeland Conference Champions, Jamboree Champs for the fourth consecutive time, and got as far as the North Jersey finals in the state tournament.

**SCENE IV: SENIOR DANCE**

Before we knew it, the senior dance was upon us. The theme was "Shipwrecked," with decorations consisting of a palm tree centerpiece, fish, fishnets, and crepe paper. It was a highly successful dance.

**SCENE V: TALENT SHOW**

The talent show time rolled around once more and Larry Gabriel was the only senior representative. The show was unusual this year, since it consisted of all boys.

**SCENE VI: GIRLS' SHOW**

The themes for the show this year were Africa versus the Orient. Both teams put up a terrific fight with the Greens victorious.

**SCENE VII: VALLEY VARIETIES**

This year's Valley Varieties was a smashing success. The auditorium show bettered Shakespeare's play within a play by one, being a show within a show within a show.

**SCENE VIII: CLIMAX**

Yearbook deadline.

Senior Prom.

Examinations.

**GRADUATION . . .**



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**Lawrence Gabriel**  
President

*"To those who know you not, no words can paint,  
And those who know you, know all words are faint."*

"Gabe" can usually be seen with "Fio," Acorn, and "The Ball" saying, "Oh, what I wouldn't do with a million!" His interests are music, baseball, and basketball. Larry's ambition is to become a lawyer. Among his memorable moments are Senior Play rehearsals, running for Vice President of the S.G.A., and being elected President of the Senior Class.

Honor Society, Associate Editor of "Valley Echo," Assistant Editor of the Yearbook, Dramatic Club, Valley Varieties, Christmas Concert, Senior Play, Vice President of Junior Class.



**Beverly Zester**  
Vice President

*"She scores in sports and friends."*

"Zes" is usually seen with the gang, cruising around in a '55 Chevy convertible. Her favorite expression is "Let's live it up!" Her interests consist of swimming, basketball, and softball. Bev's most memorable moments were getting her driver's license and her new convertible. She hopes to be a successful Physical Education Instructor.

Honor Society, S.G.A. Representative, G.A.A. Council, Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Leaderette, Class Captain, "Valley Echo," Valley Varieties.



**Marilyn Cerruti**  
Secretary

*"She is charming and very sweet,  
And I'll grant you also neat."*

"Scooter" is usually seen with Nancy, June, and the gang. Her most memorable moment was becoming a White committee head. Marilyn's ambition is to become a secretary.

Valley Varieties, Senior Play, Girls' Sports.



**Frances Hermanoski**  
Treasurer

*"Always laughing, full of fun,  
Personality-plus to everyone."*

Fran is interested mostly in her Green Team. Her most memorable moments were being elected Green Chief and winning the show of '55. Fran is usually seen with the kids at the Spa. Her winning ways have made her the most popular girl in school. When she wants to give her views on something, she usually ends with "That's tremendous!" Fran's ambition is to always be happy.

Green Chief, Tri-Hi-Y, Twirler, Leaderette, Class Captain, S.G.A. Representative, Yearbook, G.A.A. Council, Honor Society, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Christmas Concert, Assembly Committee, Pre-Nursing Club, Attendance Checker.

## the stars







**John Acorn**

*"Enjoys the present hour,  
is thankful for the past."*

John is an active and conscientious student. He has contributed his artistic ability to innumerable school projects, and he has done an excellent job as President of the S.G.A. His main interests are in the field of art, but his ambition is to be happy and successful in life.

Honor Society, Art Service Corps, Valley Varieties, Art Editor of the Yearbook, Senior Play, President of the S.G.A.

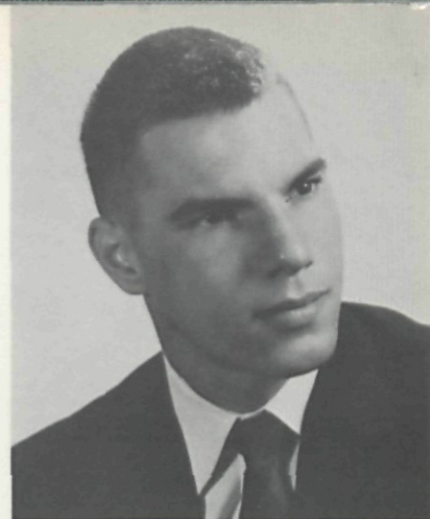


**Bruno Arena**

*"Quietness, humbleness, and a friend to all."*

Bruno is a hard, steady worker . . . where cars are concerned. His most memorable moment was the day he finally brought his car to school. Ever since, he has babied, cared for, and pampered it. His other interest lies in the field of sports. He plans to attend Fairleigh-Dickinson College upon graduation.

Baseball, Valley Varieties.



**Wilbur Baldwin**

*"Life presents its sunny side to me."*

Wilbur has attained outstanding recognition for his participation on P.V.'s football and swimming teams. His dream is to someday own a farm. Already farm animals have become an obsession with him.

Football, Swimming.

## the members of the cast

**Ruth Benvenuti**

*"Her eyes as stars of Twilight fair,  
Like Twilight's, too, her dusky hair."*

Ruth will long be noted for her splendid performance in the Senior Play. She is usually seen with "Bert," "Cobi," Edith and Pat. "Ben" intends to someday become a history teacher at P.V. Mr. Gatti better watch his step!

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, G.A.A., Valley Varieties, Senior Play, Leaderette, Assembly Committee.



**Daniel Bianchi**

*"Life is but jest;  
Life is but play."*

Dan can usually be found with Wetzel, Spada, and the rest of the gang at "Ma's," discussing football or cars. He will never forget his most memorable moment, the day he received his driver's license. His future plans include becoming a draftsman.

Movie operator.



**Margaret Bigger**

*"Trust in all things high."*

Marge is looking forward to the brighter side of life, such as graduation and a career in nursing. She is a very serious and willing worker as a member of the school choir, and the Pre-Nursing Club. She is often seen with Sally, Pat, Judy, and Joan, exclaiming "Oh, Shucks!"

Art-Service Corps, Girls' Show, Pre-Nursing Club, Christmas Choir.



**Janet Book**

*"Capable, clever, and gay,  
An all-round girl in every way."*

Jan was a member of our fine cheering squad. Her favorite expression is, "Hip, hip, let's go!" Although cheering has been her main interest in school, her ambition is to become a private secretary.

Cheering, Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Modern Dance.



**Edward Breen**

*"Just ramblin' around."*

Ed is one of the few who have received above a "B" in Mr. Z's third period Math Class. Mr. Ziacoma, however, believes that he may be an "A" student some day. David and he are like "two peas in a pod" where mechanics are concerned.



**Patricia Byrne**

*"A little mischief, full of fun;  
Certainly liked by everyone."*

Pat's most memorable moment was becoming head cheerleader. She is usually seen with the gang saying, "Let's cheer a little louder." Her ambition in life is to become a secretary.

Cheering, Girls' Show, Leaderette, G.A.A., Valley Varieties, Girls' Sports.

**John Capo**

*"The will of a man is his happiness."*

Johnny can usually be found talking with Arena, Citro, and Palazzone about one of his favorite pastimes, baseball. His interests also include other sports and girls. His ambition, after leaving P.V., is to become a draftsman.



**June Carafella**

*"Neat and refined in appearance and mind."*

June is usually seen with the gang and heard saying, "You're kidding!" Her interests are clothing, money, and boys, and her ambition is to further her education. June's most memorable moments were the Green Committee meetings.

S.G.A. Treasurer, Yearbook, Honor Society, Girl's Show.



**David Caraher**

*"An artist busily sketching away."*

Dave is usually seen at the Spa with Fullard. His interest is mainly agriculture and he intends to go to an agricultural college. Dave's most memorable moment was the 1953-54 winning of the basketball conference.

Basketball, Bowling, Art Service Corps, Hi-Y.



### Carolee Carioti

*"Success is certain to be hers."*

Carolee's most memorable moment was performing in the Senior Play. Her main interest is art, and she is usually seen with Jean. Carolee's ambition is to go to Drew University.

"Valley Echo," Senior Play, Yearbook, Girls' Show.



### Carol Chapman

*"A smooth and steadfast mind,  
Gentle thoughts and calm desires."*

"Chapper" is usually seen with the gang and is heard saying, "Where's Fran?" Her ambition is to be happy and her main interest is Fred. Carol's most memorable moments were becoming a Green Committee head, and the committee meetings.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Leaderette, Library Aide, Commercial Club, Commercial Service Corps, Valley Varieties, Tri-Hi-Y.



### Patricia Chiswell

*"Quietude at its height."*

"Chis" is usually seen with Dot, Mable, and Judy saying, "Dig that crazy character!" Her interests include television, movies, and sports, and her ambition is to be happy. Pat's most memorable moments occurred in Mr. McGuirk's first period Driver Ed. Class.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports.

### Leslie Christopher

*"He has good abilities and a genial temper."*

Les is usually seen riding in his Jaguar and is heard saying, "Um-um-um." His interests are basketball, sport cars, and girls. His ambitions are to go to college and become an engineer. Les thinks his memorable moment was his first "date"—with a car.

Valley Varieties, "Valley Echo."



### Robert Citro

*"Happy am I, from care I'm free,  
Why aren't they all content like me?"*

Bob is usually seen with John and Joe, telling them, "I passed with E's." Bob's main interest is baseball, and his ambition is to be a baseball player.

Baseball.



### Lorraine Cobiانchi

*"A broad grin and a wicked wink."*

"Cobi" is usually seen with Jublin, Harding, Byrne, and Book, and is always saying, "Did anyone do the homework?" "Cobi's" interest is twirling and her most memorable moment was the day she became head twirler. After graduation, Lorraine hopes to become a secretary.

Twirling, G.A.A., Valley Varieties, Leaderette, Girls' Show, Girls' Sports.



### Patricia Coffey

*"She's neither shy nor bold,  
But just a girl, good as gold."*

Pat is usually seen with the gang, saying, "Oh brother!" Pat's interest is cheering and her most memorable moment was the day that she made the squad. After graduation, Pat would like to become a nurse.

Honor Society, Cheerleader, Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Pre-Nursing Club, Tri-Hi-Y, Christmas Choir, Valley Varieties, Assembly Committee, Attendance Checker.



### David Conn

*"I am not only witty in myself."*

"The Rab" can be found with Mickey, his dog. You can usually hear Dave asking, "Did you get the point?" Dave's interests are hunting and fishing. After graduating, David would like to become a millionaire and then retire on his second million. Dave's most memorable moment came when he won the Irish Sweepstakes.



### William D. Conti

*"Ambition with its lighter side."*

Bill's main interests are music and sports, and his ambition is to have one of the top dance bands in the country. Bill is usually seen around town with Miller, Simpson, and Schuler. An expression you'll hear him say quite often is, "You're wild!" One memory that stands out most is the time he played "Blind Billy, the Bootleg Bum" in Valley Varieties.

Band, Sports, Valley Varieties.

### Barbara Cropco

*"A penny for your thoughts."*

"Bobbie" can usually be seen with Carol. Two of her main interests are bowling and dancing. Barbara's ambition is to lead a long, happy, successful life. She tells us that the most memorable moments have been her four years at Valley.

"Valley Echo," Pre-Nursing Club, Christmas Concert, Girls' Show, Valley Varieties.



### Catherine Crossley

*"Happy and gay the livelong day."*

"Pie" is interested in anything to do with sports. She is usually seen with the gang around town. Catherine's most memorable moments have been her four years at Valley. "Pie's" ambition is to be happy and to lead a successful life.

G.A.A. Council, Cheerleader, Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Sophomore Treasurer, Assembly Committee.



### James Dalbora

*"A man of few words has none to take back."*

"Baba's" main interest is boat racing, but he also enjoys driving his car. He can usually be seen with Louis Gede. A recent arrival, Jim likes P.V. very much and his most memorable moment was his first day at Valley. Jim's favorite expression is "Sure, it's fun." His ambition is to join the Navy.



### Maureen Daly

*"A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!"*

"Moe" is usually seen with Helen and Lorraine. On weekends you will usually find her horsebackriding at Telfer's. Two subjects that interest her are horses and art. One of Maureen's favorite sayings is, "Oh, gee." "Moe's" combined ambitions are to raise horses and teach school. Her most memorable moment has yet to come, she claims.

Library Aide.



### Craig Daniels

*"Strength of purpose, an analytical mind,  
A serious nature with bubbling wit combined."*

Craig may usually be found around school attending various meetings or clubs. An excellent marimbist, he is very much interested in music, and is studying the organ. This fall he plans to attend college where he will take chemical engineering. His most memorable moment was being selected for the NROTC scholarship program.

Honor Society, Circulation Manager, "Valley Echo," Hi-Y Treasurer and Secretary, Masque and Sandal, Dramatics, Math Club Treasurer, Valley Varieties, Bowling Club, Band, and Yearbook.



### Jane DeAugustinis

*"I cover 'The Waterfront'—and Ebbets Field."*

Jane's ambition is to go to college and obtain an R.N. and a B.S. She can be seen quite often with "Binky." Her main interests are her records, baseball, and "The Black Rebels." When she'd like to tell you about something, that word "Savage" usually gets into the act. Jane's most memorable moment came when she was appointed literary editor of the yearbook.

Yearbook Literary Editor, Masque and Sandal, Pre-Nursing Club, Library Aide, Girls' Sports, Honor Society.

### Jane DeDiminicanio

*"Good things come in little packages."*

"De De" can usually be found with the gang at the Spa. When she wants to express her views on something, you can hear her saying, "Oh boy!" Being interested in tumbling, Jane's most memorable moment came when she became head of tumbling for the Green Team. "De De's" ambition is always to be happy, and lead a successful life.

Girls' Show, Attendance Checker, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Leaderette, Commercial Club, Christmas Choir.



### Florence DeHaan

*"Coquetry is the essential characteristic."*

"Let's dig out." "Brandy" is usually seen with the "Les Coquettes" at the Y. She is interested in dancing. When Flo graduates, she wants to become a beautician. The most memorable moment during Flo's life was April 9, 1955.

"Valley Echo," Christmas Choir, Valley Varieties.



### Patsy Dellacave

*"The man with all the angles."*

"You're crazy!" "Blackie" is usually seen with the boys on the four corners of Singac. Patsy will always remember Mr. McGuirk's Driver Ed. class. Upon graduating, "Blackie's" ambition is to become an electrician.



**Carol DiGiacomo**

*"Sweet as the day is long."*

"I'm seeing Jer tonight." Carol would like to become a secretary after graduation. "Half Pint's" main interest is in Jerry, but cheering ranks a close second. Carol's most memorable moment came when she made the cheering squad.

Cheerleader, S.G.A., G.A.A., Valley Varieties, Attendance Checker, Girls' Sports, Leaderette, Girls' Show.



**Joyce DiGiacomo**

*"Just like words to a song."*

"Hi, Ugh" usually comes from "Half Pint." Joyce can usually be seen with the gang. Her memorable moment was the Senior Hayride. Her interests concern the night of graduation. Joyce would like to become a secretary after leaving P.V.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Leaderette, Valley Varieties.



**John Donnelly**

*"Sunny, witty, debonair,  
And yet with all a sporting air."*

"Are you hurt?" Jack is usually seen with girls and his Mercury. His interests include hunting, baseball, basketball, and football. His ambition is to one day own a Cadillac. Jack's memorable moment was the first varsity baseball game at Valley.

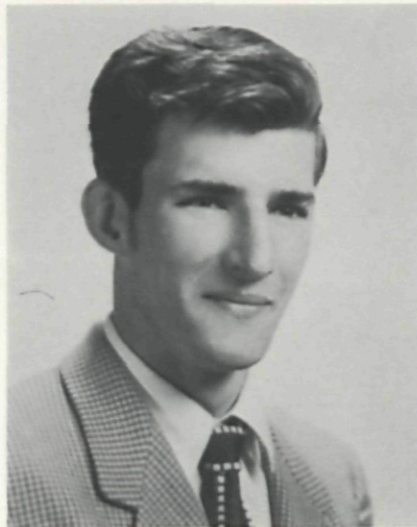
Baseball, Football, Lighting Crew, Valley Varieties, Intramural Basketball, Movie Operator.

**Henry Douma**

*"Athletics are his joy."*

A finer basketball player Valley will never know. Hank's main interests are basketball and baseball. Most everyone will remember Hank's terrific ability on the court. Hank is usually seen with Edith, or participating in sports. He is undecided about his ambition after graduation. His most memorable moment was October 13, 1954.

Basketball, Baseball.



**James Enderly**

*"His greatest labor was to kill time."*

"Hm-m-, boy!" Jimmy is usually seen with Johnny, Maxie, or Jerry. Jim's most memorable moment will come the day of graduation. Jim is interested in custom cars, and his main ambition is to open up his own car shop.



**Eileen Faillace**

*"Her hair is dusky, her smile is gay,  
A wink of the eye and she has her way."*

"Oh, what a doll!" Eileen's most memorable moment was February 1, 1955. She is usually seen with the "Les Coquettes" at the Y. Eileen has a great interest in dancing and "Rock and Roll" music. Her ambition centers around becoming a nurse.





### Glenn Ferrero

*"The world's no better if we worry  
Life's no shorter if we hurry."*

"Aw!!" "Clem" is usually seen with his Crosby. His interests are fishing and cars. Glenn is not yet definite about his ambition. His most memorable moment was his first time he gave a speech about his car in English.

Tumbling and Track at Boonton High.



### John Fiorello

*"His hands on the ivory keys  
Strayed in fitful fantasies."*

"Fio" is usually seen with Larry Gabriel and John Acorn. His memorable moment was joining the "Velvetones." His interests are music, baseball, the "Velvetones," and the Yankees. John's ambition is to get through college.

Honor Society, Valley Varieties, Senior Play, "Valley Echo," Christmas Choir, S.G.A. Representative.



### Dan Fisher

*"Great modesty often hides great merit."*

Dan can usually be seen directing buses at the school. His ambition is to be a certified public accountant. One of Dan's memorable moments is the day he got his driver's license.

Junior Police.

### Dorothy Florian

*"Little said is soonest mended."*

Dot can usually be seen with Bev. She is interested in painting and ice skating. Someday Dot would like to be her father's secretary. Her memorable moments were working for Mr. K.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports.



### Jeanette Forrest

*"Not much talk, a great sweet silence."*

Bev can be seen with Helen and Naomi. She is interested in swimming and tumbling. Her ambition is to be a secretary. Bev's memorable moment was eating in bookkeeping class.



### Jerry Fritz

*"His limbs were cast in manly mold;  
For hearty sports or contests bold."*

Jerry can usually be seen with Hank at the Riverside Diner. He is intensely interested in sports, and is one of our finer basketball and football players. His most memorable moment was looking at Jane George's knee socks.

Football, Basketball, Golf.



### George Fullard

*"Life's a jest and all things show it,  
I thought so once and now I know it."*

George, "the Shadow," can usually be seen with Frank, Ed, and Roger, saying, "Beat it, Junior!" His ambition is to be an electrician. His most memorable moment seems to be his senior year of Art.

Stage and Lighting Crew.



### Alfonse Gaita

*"He is fond of dress, but fonder of dresses."*

Al can usually be seen with John and Doug. His interests are golf, politics, and hunting. Al's ambition is to become a successful lawyer. One of our better dressers, Al is known for his winning smile.

Golf, Yearbook, Movie Operator, Valley Varieties, Masque and Sandal.



### Karl Geffchen

*"For he was just the quiet kind  
Whose nature never worries."*

"I've got my car outside!" is apropos, since Karl's most memorable moment was the time his first car wouldn't run. After leaving school, he plans to get any job that pays good money and to pursue his main interest, girls.

Stage and Lighting Crew.

### Ronald Gengoult

*"Why should life all labor be?"*

"Jingles" can usually be found in the auditorium, either on the stage or in the band, saying "Christmas!" if something goes wrong. He is interested in TV and money. He will never forget his most memorable moment when he was knocked down by that '39 Chevy!

Stage and Lighting Crew, Band.



### Jane George

*"While there's laughter there's life."*

Jane can usually be seen with the girls. Her ambition is to be a secretary. Her most memorable moments were the dangerous moments that she experienced in the Driver Ed car.

Honor Society, Commercial Club, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Tri-Hi-Y, Christmas Choir, Band, Leaderette, Secretary of Yearbook.



### Dorothy Gordon

*"Be quiet and be safe."*

Dot, "How do you do this?" Gordon is usually seen with Pat, Judy, and Marge, pursuing her main interest, sports. Mr. Gatti's third period history class will remain a high point in her memory, even after she enters the business world.

Girls' Show.



### Madeline Greiner

*"A little mischief and a lot of pep."*

Madeline is usually seen with Les and the Jaguar. Her laugh, and that's a dilly, can be heard wherever she's around. She intends to go to modeling school or become a secretary after graduation.

G. A. A. Secretary, "Valley Echo," Commercial Service Corps, Girls' Sports.



### Gwendolyn Grimaldi

*"Pleasant in her own personal way."*

Gwen, whose main interest lives in New York, is usually seen with "Les Coquettes." She has shown an interest in art while in school. "In God we trust and in no one else," is a good saying for Gwen, as her ambition is to be healthy and happy.

Art Service Corps.



### Michael Halachik

*"There's mischief in that man."*

Mike, whose ambition is to be a commercial air line pilot, can usually be seen with Harry and the gang from Singac. Although his interests fall into three fields, girls, cars, and sports, his most memorable moment will be graduation.

### Edith Harding

*"Everything was quiet, then she came."*

"Einstein" can usually be seen with Hank, who is her main interest. Her favorite saying is, "Tell Hank to hurry up from the locker room." Her most memorable moment was October 13, 1954. Edith's ambition is to graduate, after which she wants to get a good job and save a lot of money.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Christmas Concert, Assembly Committee.



### Jean Hawthorne

*"It is the friendly heart that has plenty of friends."*

Jeannie's ambition is to be a nurse. She is usually seen with the girls and heard saying, "You're kidding!" Records and cars are two of her interests, and her most memorable moment was Freshman Day.

Pre-Nursing Club, Assembly Committee, Attendance Checker, Girls' Show, Tri-Hi-Y, Valley Varieties, Yearbook.



### Carole Henchy

*"Often seen, but seldom heard."*

"Hench" is interested in all sports, her favorite being softball. Carole's most memorable moment came the day she found she was a Green Committee Head. She can usually be found with the gang at the Spa. Carole's ambition is to become a successful secretary, and to lead a happy life.

Commercial Club, Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Christmas Choir, Commercial Service Corps, Assembly Committee, Pre-Nursing Club, Yearbook.



### Carol Herrmann

*"A smooth and steadfast mind  
Gentle thoughts and calm desires."*

The two things that Carol will remember most about Passaic Valley are her rides to school in the morning, and the Senior boys' "lack of humor" in the sixth period lunch. She is usually seen with Marie, Dot, the gang, or Rich at the Calso. Her ambitions are to be a good bookkeeper and to get married. Her interests include sports and "hot rodding." Her "Aw, Shad-up," and, "Better her than me," are familiar to all who know her.

Freshman Class Treasurer.



### John Hoonhout

*"I am so slow of study."*

John's interested in automobiles, so his most memorable moment was the day he got his driver's license. You can usually find John standing on the bank corner with the gang from Little Falls. His most used expression seems to be, "O, come on, Miss 'Litch', you know I'm right." After graduating, John hopes to become a mechanical engineer.



### Michael Humecky

*"Little I ask, my wants are few."*

Entering Valley for the first time seems to be Mike's most memorable moment. Mike is usually seen driving around in his "red-hot" Chevy. He is interested in both mechanics and engineering, and upon graduating, Mike intends to become an engineer. Usually, you can hear him giving out with his favorite expression, "You know it!"

Golf.

### Mary Etta Hunziker

*"The possessor of a friendly smile."*

"Et" can usually be found at Seaside with Pat Nunez, or at the Spa. Therefore, "See you at the Spa," can usually be heard from her. "Et's" interests are Jimmy and Seaside. Her ambitions are to get her driver's license, to become a secretary, and to get married. "Et's" most memorable moment was the 1954 Senior Prom.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Assembly Committee, Art Service Corps.



### John Jackson

*"He worries not, he hurries not;  
His calm is undisturbed."*

John is better known as "Stonewall." He can usually be seen in the library annoying Miss Miller. Shop is John's main interest. His ambition is to be a millionaire. His most memorable moment will be graduation.



### Patricia Juhlin

*"For she was just the quiet kind  
Whose nature never worries."*

Pat is usually seen with "Cobi," Byrne, and Book, but her main interest seems to be "Sonny." You can usually hear her asking someone, "Where is Sonny?" The moment that stands out in her mind is her freshman year at P. V. After graduating, Pat would like to become a secretary.

Girls' Sports, Girls' Show.



### Alfred Kammerer

*"Take life seriously and what have you?"*

"The Loafer," as Al is better known, can usually be seen at Krisa's Diner with the gang from West Paterson. Al is interested in cars and would like to be a mechanic. His most memorable moment seems to be when he got his first car.

Art Service Corps.



### Eileen Kientz

*"She looks jolly and carefree,  
As tho' life were a pleasant game."*

"Kientz" can usually be seen with "Kirch" and the kids telling them about the cute boy she met swimming at Revere's, or her tremendous basketball techniques. Her most memorable moment was Saturday, October 30, 1954, 4:30 P. M. Her favorite expression is, "Golly—That's right." Her three main ambitions are to become a good secretary, to become successful, and to always lead a happy life.

Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Assistant Basketball Manager, Commercial Club, Valley Varieties, Christmas Concert.



### Ruth Kik

*"Blue eyes that usually seem far away  
in a dream."*

"Kik," whose main interest seems to be Carl, can usually be seen with him, or sitting at the lunch table singing, "Happy Birthday" to Catherine. You can usually hear the expression, "Eh!" coming from Ruth. Her most memorable moment came when she made her debut in the Senior Play. Upon graduating, Ruth would like to become a nurse, and also get married.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Senior Play, Valley Varieties, Masque and Sandal, Christmas Choir, Pre-Nursing Club.

### Joan Kirchner

*"Pretty, witty, full of fun,  
Brainy, carefree, all in one."*

If this delicate expression, "The kid has gone ape!" is heard, it will probably be "Kirch" giving her opinion about someone. Joan likes to swim and she's usually found with "Kientz" and the kids at Bosland's. Upon graduating, Joan would like to further her education and become an elementary school teacher. Joan's most memorable moment at Valley was the day she was accepted into the Honor Society.

Valley Varieties, Girls' Show, Girls' Sports, Yearbook, Attendance Checker.

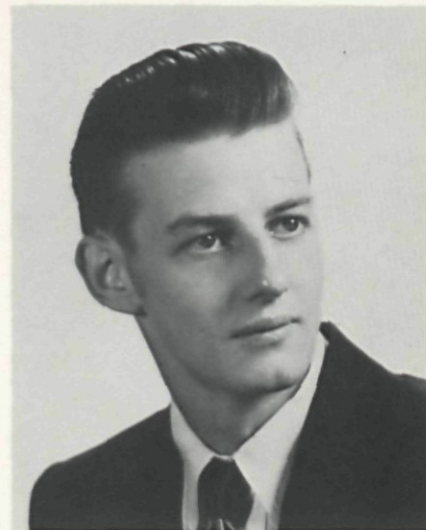


### Marie Lami

*"She may look quiet, but look again."*

"Lami" can usually be seen with Carol, Fran, and Dot. Marie would like to be a bookkeeper, and her other ambition is to be happy. Her most memorable moment was the fun in the locker room during the eighth period.

Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Commercial Club, Valley Varieties.



### William Maxwell

*"Live, love, and laugh."*

"Maxie's" ambition after graduating is to join the Navy and be a mechanic. You can usually find Max trying to "fox" cars or standing on "the corner" with the crowd giving out with his favorite expression, "Mambo!" "Maxie's" most memorable moment is yet to come, that is graduation.



### James McLaughlin

*"Wise to resolve and patient to perform;  
Gentle of speech and beneficent of mind."*

Jim has been very active as a school citizen, especially in the Senior Play. His performance will be remembered by everyone. Attending Senior Play rehearsals seems to stand out most in his mind. You can usually find him with Miller and Schuler. After graduating, Jim is looking forward to becoming an engineer.

Honor Society, Hi-Y, S. G. A. Representative, Valley Varieties, Senior Play.



### Thomas Melone

*"Don't worry, it shortens your life."*

Tom is interested in '51 Fords, archery, and music. The item that stands out most in his mind is his first job with the Velvetones. Tom's ambitions are to make a lot of money, and live a good healthy life as a draftsman. You can usually find Melone with the "Goofs," giving out with his favorite expression, "Look at that!"

School Band, Dance Bands.



### Nancy Ann Merrell

*"I have heard something said about  
allegiance to the South."*

"Binky" is usually seen with "Augie" and Shirl saying, "dag-nab-it." Her interests include writing and social work. Nancy's ambition is to go to South Carolina, and her most memorable moment was lunchtime at Ma's with "Augie."

Pre-Nursing Club, Valley Varieties, Christmas Choir.

### Robert Miller (L. F.)

*"He doesn't kill himself with work."*

Bob is usually seen with Simpson and Conti, looking over the girls, his main interest. Bob plans to join the army after graduation. His most memorable moment was watching Mr. Hoover sit on a tack.



### Robert Miller (W. P.)

*"Life is what we make it."*

Bob is one of the "Tony Curtis haircut boys." He is usually seen with Dave and the other Bob Miller scheming some trick to play on the girls, his main interest. His ambition is to join the armed forces and his memorable moment was in Algebra II with Mr. Hoover.



### David Minchin

*"A short saying oft contains much wisdom."*

"Minch" is the boy with a smile for everyone. Because of his leadership throughout the school, he is usually heard saying, "The meeting will please come to order." His most memorable moment was being elected Freshman Class President, and he is usually seen with Steve, Pete, or Jim. His ambition is to go to college and become a chemist.

S. G. A., Hi-Y, Honor Society, Band, Valley Varieties, Masque and Sandal, Freshman Class President.



**Carl Molitor**

*"It's those quiet people who really make the world go 'round."*

"Molly" is usually seen with Ruth, or riding around in his "hot" convertible. His most memorable moment is the day he got his car and he's usually heard asking, "How many days 'til graduation?" His interest includes sports and agriculture and his ambition is to be happy.

Sophomore Class President, Basketball, Football, Baseball.



**Sally Ann Morgan**

*"Laughing and playing, gay yet cool, As sun reflects on a sparkling pool."*

"Sal" is usually seen with Marge, Naomi, Jim, Bob, and Sandy. Her interests are varied, but she is sure that Bob is interesting to her. Her most memorable moment was the day she left Scranton, Pennsylvania. Her ambition is to live a happy life. "Be good, and if you can't be good, be careful," is her favorite saying.

Masque and Sandal, Choir.



**Muriel Mues**

*"A winning girl with a winning way."*

"Muesy" is usually seen talking with or pestering Mr. K. Being talented as well as popular, Muriel was elected White Chief, which is her most memorable moment. Her interests are centered about sports, and one of her ambitions is winning the Girls' Show. Her other ambition is to keep everyone smiling, and always be happy. Muriel's favorite expression is, "You savage."

White Chief, Cheerleader, Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Valley Varieties, Art Service Corps.

**Naomi Ann Murphy**

*"Serious, quiet, and yet who can say she doesn't enjoy life?"*

Naomi's ambition is to inherit a lot of money from a rich old patient, which is quite possible since she plans to go to nursing school. She's usually seen with her shadow saying, "You're a real doll." Her main interest is the Pre-Nursing Club, and her most memorable moment is the first time that she saw a colostomy.

Pre-Nursing Club.



**Patricia Nunez**

*"Small and pretty from head to toes, She leaves laughter wherever she goes."*

Pat is usually seen with Carol and Mary Etta looking over the Seaside Heights Beach Patrol, her main interest. Her ambition is to marry a millionaire and help him spend his money. Her memorable moment was the Fourth of July party she attended.

Girls' Show, Girls' Sports.



**Virginia Olivito**

*"Her hair is dusky, her smile is gay, A wink of the eye and she has her way."*

"Oh, those rebels!" Ginny likes Modern Dance and her interest is Joe whom she is usually with, when she isn't fooling with the gang. Her ambition is to be happy and to own a Corvette. Ginny is often heard saying, "Ah com'on, wouldja?" and her most memorable moment was crowning Pat Byrne queen of the Sophomore Class.

Modern Dance, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Leaderette, Usherette, Girls' Show.

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**Lois Overkamp**

*"The mildest manners and gentlest heart."*

Lois can usually be seen with Pat and Dot. Her most favorite saying is, "Oh nuts!" Her present interest is sports. Lois looks forward to a future as a bookkeeper. Her memorable moment was her first day at P. V.

Girls' Sports, Girls' Show.



**Joseph Palazzone**

*"A courteous and affable gentleman."*

Joe is interested in basketball and baseball. He can usually be heard saying, "Oh no, not homework!" His ambition is to be an electronics engineer. Joe's most memorable moment was his first day at P. V.



**Patricia Palmer**

*"Have a smile for those you meet, And they'll have one for you."*

Pat can usually be found with Joan Sanok and "Cobi." Pat has a keen interest in servicemen, but her ambitions are to be a secretary and to get married.

Girls' Show, Archery, Modern Dance, Christmas Choir.

**Judith Partridge**

*"Quiet and shy, but a wonderful friend."*

Judy can usually be seen with Bev, Marge, Dot, and Pat. She is usually heard saying, "Holy Crow!" Her ambition is to be a successful secretary. Her memorable moment was her first day at Valley.

Girls' Sports, Attendance Checker, Choir, Commercial Club, Valley Varieties.



**Charles Perry**

*"The mildest of manners, and the greatest of heart."*

Charles can usually be found at Bosland's, and is usually heard saying, "Crazy, man, crazy!" He is interested in college and people. Charles would like to be an agricultural missionary. His most memorable moments were in junior English with Miss Kelso.

Hi-Y, Band, Christmas Choir, Valley Varieties, Lab Assistant.



**Catherine Pullara**

*"A gentle lass, crowned with sweetness."*

"Cathy," better known as "Cat," can usually be seen with the gang. Girls' Show and Hockey hold Catherine's interest. Her main ambition is to be happy. Her most memorable moment was becoming a White Committee Head.

Girls' Show, G.A.A., Valley Varieties, Commercial Club.

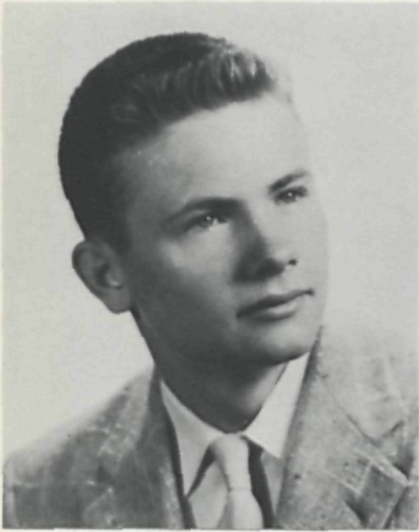


**John Ralston**

*"Worry kills many men; why die?"*

John can usually be seen with Lenny. He is usually heard saying, "No kiddin'?" His main interest is in cars. John has a popular ambition - to join the Navy. His most memorable moment was the day he got his license.

Valley Varieties.



**Robert Ruffini**

*"Take life as it comes."*

Bob is usually seen with "Boxie," Al, Ron, and Lou. He is mainly interested in baseball, but his ambition is not definite. Bob's favorite saying is, "Always the hands." His most memorable moment will be the day of graduation.

Valley Varieties.



**Regina Sandford**

*"Though modest and gentle, she rules her own mind, Ambitious, successful, but still not a grind."*

"Reggie's" interests are cars, records, and dancing. She's usually seen with the gang at the lunch table - eating, and saying, "You're the worst!" The G.A.A. election will always be remembered by Regina. Her ambitions are to be a private secretary and a good housewife.

G.A.A., Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Tri-Hi-Y, Valley Varieties, Yearbook, Freshman Class Secretary.

**Joan Sanok**

*"All was quiet, then she came."*

Joan is usually heard saying, "Are you kiddin'?" She can often be seen driving around with Palmer looking for the kids. Joan's interests are reading, traveling, and making new friends. She will always remember the Senior Play rehearsals, and her ambitions are to be a success in medicine, and a credit to her parents.

Chorus, Spanish Club, Library Aide, Tri-Hi-Y, Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Senior Play, Valley Varieties.



**Ronald Saunders**

*"A light heart lives long."*

Ronald can usually be seen with "Snookie," "Boxie," and Al Ruffini. His interests are baseball, bowling, and girls. Ronald's favorite expression is, "Do you talk with a lisp?" He will always remember his graduation from grammar school and high school. "Ron" hopes to become an engineer.

Baseball Manager, Bowling Club, Hi-Y, Valley Varieties, Hall Monitor.



**Charles Schuler**

*"Young fellows will be young fellows."*

Charlie's ambition is to get out of school with good marks. His most memorable moment was the Saturday night of the Senior Play. Charlie is usually seen with Bob Miller and Jim McLaughlin, saying, "You're right." His main interest is girls.

S.G.A., Senior Play, Valley Varieties.

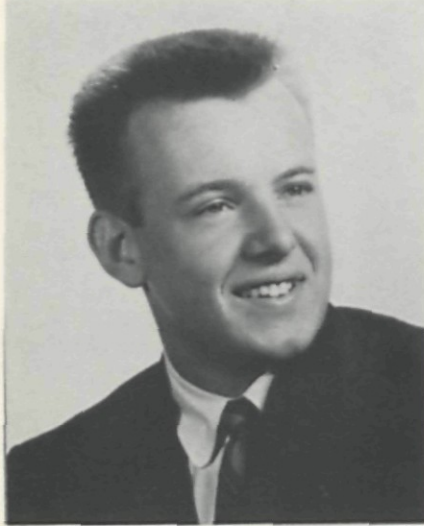


### Henry Seebode

*"Full well they laughed at all his jokes,  
For many a joke had he."*

"Harry, Jr.'s" main interest is cars, so his most memorable moments were naturally in Driver Ed. His favorite saying is, "You're not too bright." "Harry, Jr.'s" ambition is to graduate.

Valley Varieties.



### Theodore Sharpe

*"He isn't a flirt, he's just sociable."*

Ted can usually be seen with John. His interest is playing bass with the dance band, and his ambitions are to go to college and be a success. His favorite expression is, "O.K., beautiful." Ted's most memorable moment was playing guard in the Dover game.

Treasurer of Hi-Y, Bowling Club, Football Band, Christmas Choir, Valley Varieties.



### John Sietsema

*"He is a man of splendid abilities."*

John has been quite active around school, especially in dramatics. Attending the Senior Play rehearsals, and wearing that crazy bathing suit the night of the play, seem to be the moments that stand out most in his mind. John can usually be found with Sharpe, saying, "What a savage!" His chief interest is music. John hopes to become an engineer.

Senior Play, Band, Christmas Choir, Hi-Y, Valley Varieties, S.G.A., Masque and Sandal, Yearbook.

### David Simpson

*"Why should life all labor be?"*

Dave's main interests are football, baseball, girls, and cars. He is usually seen with Bob Miller and the "Lancers." Dave will always remember the time Mr. Gatti sat on the thumb-tack. His ambition is to join the Navy.



### Helen Smith

*"Her ways are the ways of pleasantness."*

Wherever you hear, "Seeing is believing," you can usually find "Smitty" along with Joan, Pat, Bev, and Lorraine. Her main interest is swimming, and her ambitions are to attend Paterson State, and to marry a millionaire. "Smitty's" most memorable moment was trying to find the swimming pool on Freshman Day.

Girls' Sports, Attendance Checker.



### Martin Smolen

*"'Tis better to have loafed and stunked  
Than never to have loafed at all."*

Marty's ambition after graduation is to be a Naval aviator. Marty is usually seen around the Falls, saying "Move that garbage truck!" His most memorable moment was the day he tangled with Red Shane's "Garbage Truck" in the school parking lot.



### Michael Spada

*"Individuality outstanding  
His personality commanding."*

Mike, usually seen with Pat, is greatly interested in football. His most memorable moment was the day he received the position of captain of the varsity football team. Mike's favorite expression is, "Where's Pat?" After graduation, he hopes to join the United States Marine Corps.

Football, Art Service Corps, Stage and Lighting Crew, Yearbook.



### John Spatola

*"Little I ask, my wants are few."*

Johnny will always recall with relief the time he passed junior history. He can usually be seen with Judy and his ambition is to work and make money. He is interested in sports, especially football.

Football, Valley Varieties.



### Richard Suhoke

*"There's a good time coming, boys!"*

Rich's most memorable moments were in Mr. Marshall's French class. His interests are mechanics and "cycles." Rich is usually seen with Ding and Chick. His main ambition is to graduate.

### Carole Shere Sundra

*"For every why she has a wherefore."*

There is usually heard saying, "I move that . . ." Her most memorable moment was the day that she was inducted into the Honor Society. She also remembers quite vividly the rehearsals for the Senior Play. Shere's interests are bowling, stamps, and math. She plans to major in mathematics in college.

Senior Play, "Valley Echo," Yearbook, Tri-Hi-Y, Honor Society, Math Club, Girls' Sports, Valley Varieties, Pre-Nursing Club, Bowling Club.



### Andrew Temple

*"Judge not a man by his height."*

Wherever you see the flash of a flash bulb you can usually find Andy, since his main interest is photography, but he also likes archery and boating. His ambition is to attend college. Andy's most memorable moment was winning the talent show two years in a row with his skillful juggling demonstration.

School Photographer, "Valley Echo."



### Lorraine Trentacost

*"Silence is a true friend who never betrays."*

Lorraine is usually seen with Helen, Maureen, and Shirl. Her main ambition is to be a comptometrist. "Lory" loves to dance, and she can usually be heard saying, "Don't worry about it!" Her most memorable moment will be graduation.

Girls' Show, Christmas Choir.



**Carol Tulenko**

*"A mind full of knowledge is a mind that never fails."*

Carol is usually seen with Carolee, Shere, Pat, and Barbara. Her most memorable moment was becoming Editor of the "Valley Echo." After graduating, Carol is looking forward to going to college to major in French. "Valley Echo," Tri-Hi-Y, Pre-Nursing Club, Library Aide, Valley Varieties, Girls' Sports, Girls' Show, Christmas Choir.



**George Tummino**

*"Silence is golden."*

"Smitty" is usually seen with Willie. His main interests are hunting and fishing. George's future includes furthering his education, but his plans are indefinite about his choice of occupation.



**Carlo Urciuoli**

*"A modest man never talks of himself."*

Carlo can usually be found listening to Larry. His most memorable moment was Freshman Day. His ambition is to go to college. He has an interest in music, especially singing, and has participated in the musical programs each year during his stay at P. V. Chorus, Christmas Choir.

**Shirley Van Riper**

*"If women only knew the extent of their powers."*

Shirl can usually be seen with Joan, "Binky," Jane, or Dot in the Green Comet. Shirley's main interests are a certain J. S. and the Comet. Her ambitions are to get married and to lead a happy life.

Christmas Concert, Girls' Show.

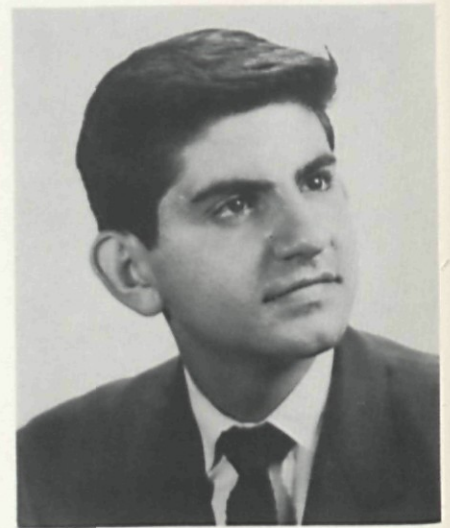


**Nancy Van Splinter**

*"I am as I am and so will I be."*

Nancy is usually seen with John saying, "Don't be so spastic!" Her ambition is to become a secretary. Nancy's main interest is twirling. Her most memorable moment at Valley was making the twirling squad in her freshman year.

Twirling Squad (three years), S.G.A., Girls' Show, Girls' Sports.



**Anthony Ventrella**

*"Gosh but it's great to be able to play When I swing the old sax people are gay."*

Tony, usually found playing the saxophone, has as his ambition the desire to be a good saxophone player. His main interests are sports, and playing the sax. His most memorable moment was the first time he played in the band at one of our dances.

Bowling, Band.



### Roberta Webb

*"A merry heart doeth good like medicine."*

"Bert" can usually be heard saying, "Got anything to eat?" She is often seen with the gang pursuing her chief interests, which are swimming, basketball, and dancing. "Bert's" memorable moments were her sophomore year and her first Girls' Show. Her ambition is to be happy.

Valley Varieties, Leaderette, Girls' Sports.



### Richard Wetzel

*"A sport who likes sports."*

"Dick" is usually heard saying, "You're wild" to Spada, Bianciui, and Gwen. Since his chief interest is in sports, his most memorable moment was the day he made his first touchdown for Passaic Valley. His ambition is to get a good job after graduation. Football, Baseball.



### Joan Whiteley

*"In framing an artist, art hath thus decreed."*

Joan is usually heard saying, "Are you going to Ma's?" She is usually seen with Patty and Helen. Joan's interests are art and cosmometry, and her ambition is to marry Ed. Her most memorable moment will be graduation, "If I make it."

Art Service Corps, Choir, Christmas Choir.

### Jack Wootton

*"Youth, fired by ambition's torch."*

Jack, better known as "Bill Stern," is usually seen at the Paterson Y.M.C.A. His favorite expression is, "I can't get this Solid." His main interest is sports and his memorable moment was acting in the Senior Play. Jack's ambition is to enter college in the fall.

"Valley Echo" Co-editor-in-Chief and Sports Editor, Honor Society, Senior Play, Masque and Sandal, Bowling Club, Football, S.G.A., Christmas Choir, Valley Varieties, P.A. System, Hi-Y.



### Patricia Young

*"Courteous though coy; gentle though retired."*

Pat is usually heard saying, "That's the lowest!" to Bev, Helen, or Joan. Her most memorable moments were the Senior Play and getting her driver's license. Pat's interests are acting and sports. Her ambition is to go to Trenton State Teachers College.

Senior Play, Yearbook, Girls' Show, Christmas Choir, Girls' Sports.

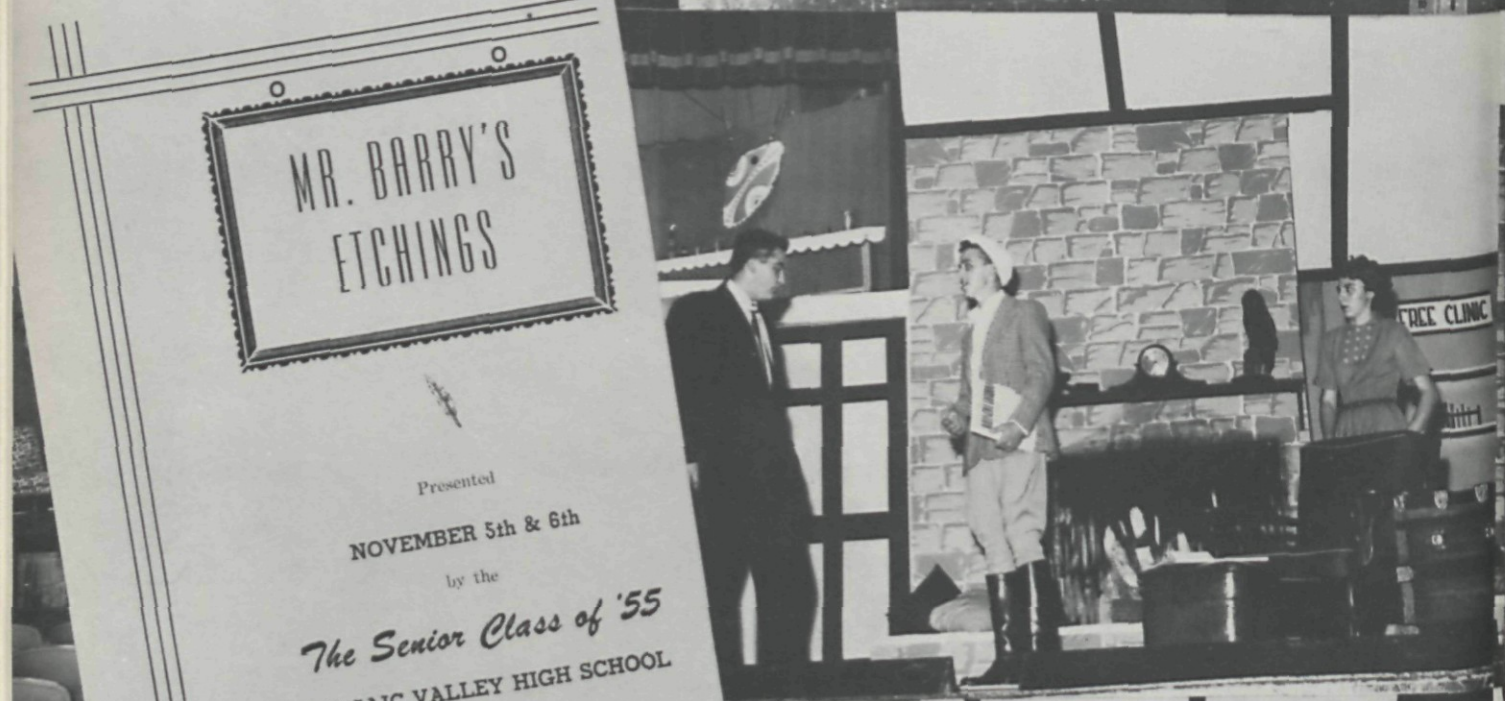
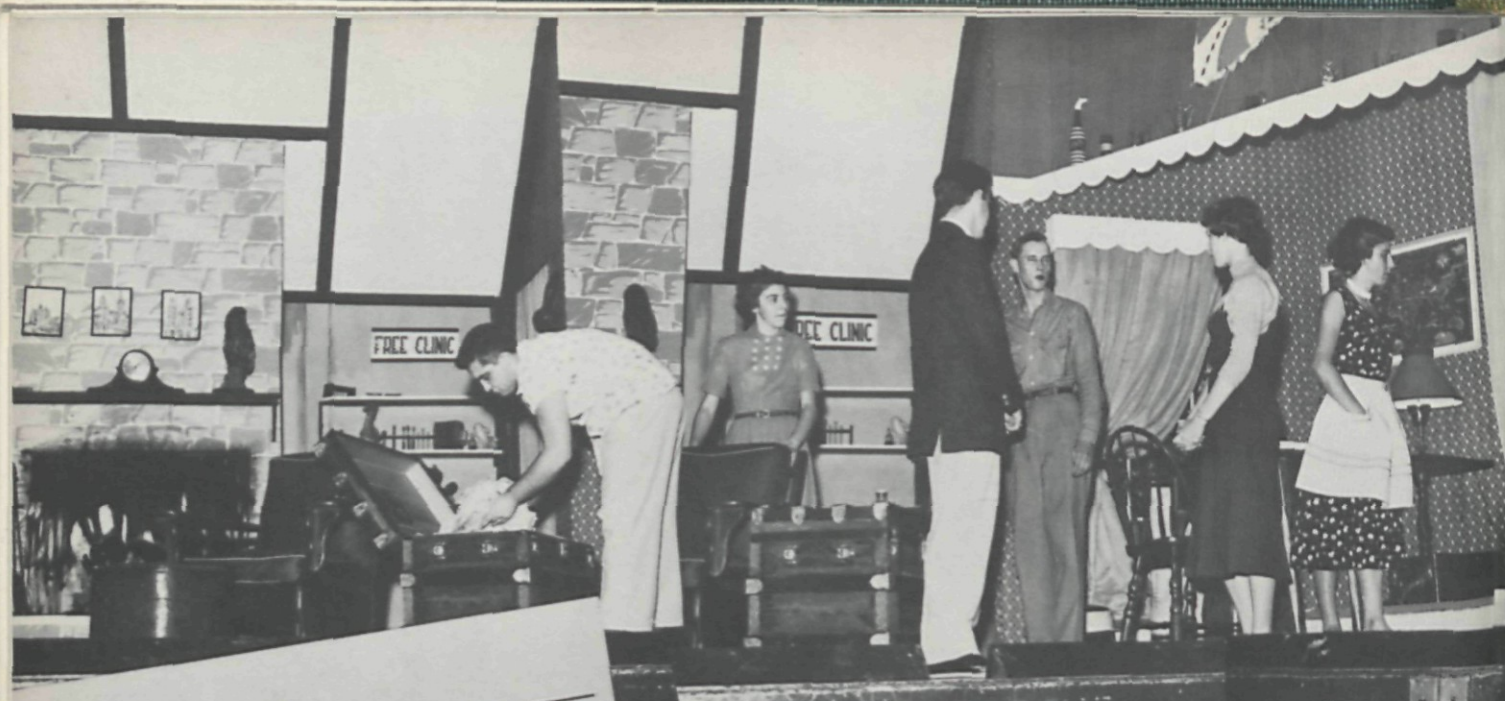


### Dorothy Zelinski

*"Mischievous with an understanding heart."*

Dot is usually seen with Carole, "Lami," "Chop," and Kathy. Her interests are dancing and having fun, and her favorite expression is "Goodness Sakes!" Dot's most memorable moments were spent in the Locker Room eighth period. Her ambitions are to be a stenographer and a housewife.





**"play within a play"**



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**ROMEO AND JULIET**  
PAT BYRNE  
MIKE SPADA  
Ruth Kirk, Carl Molitor



**CLASS CHATTERBOXES**  
MURIEL MUES  
LARRY GABRIEL  
Virginia Olivito, Dan Bianchi



**TYPICAL VALLEY**  
FRANCES HERMANOSKI  
JOHN ACORN  
Pat Byrne, Mike Spada



**VENUS AND APPOLLO**  
VIRGINIA OLIVITO  
JERRY FRITZ  
Marilyn Cerruti, Mike Spada



**MODERN REMBRANTS**  
MURIEL MUES  
JOHN ACORN  
Gwen Grimaldi, Mike Spada





**KWAZY KIDS**  
**LORRAINE COBIANCHI**  
**DANIEL BIANCHI**  
 Muriel Mues, Jack Donnelly



**MILLION DOLLAR SMILE**  
**PAT PALMER**  
**JOHN DONNELLY**  
 Joan Sanok, Dave Minchin



**FANCY FOOTWORK**  
**PAT BYRNE**  
**MIKE SPADA**  
 Roberta Webb, Jack Donnelly

**MOST MUSICAL**  
**PAT PALMER**  
**WILLIAM CONTI**  
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**JANE DE AUGUSTINIS**  
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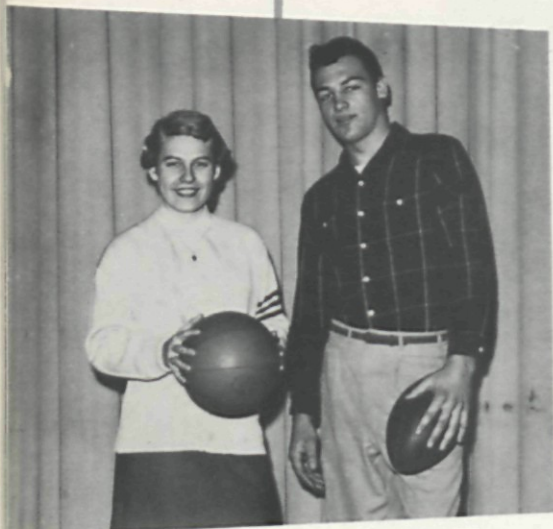




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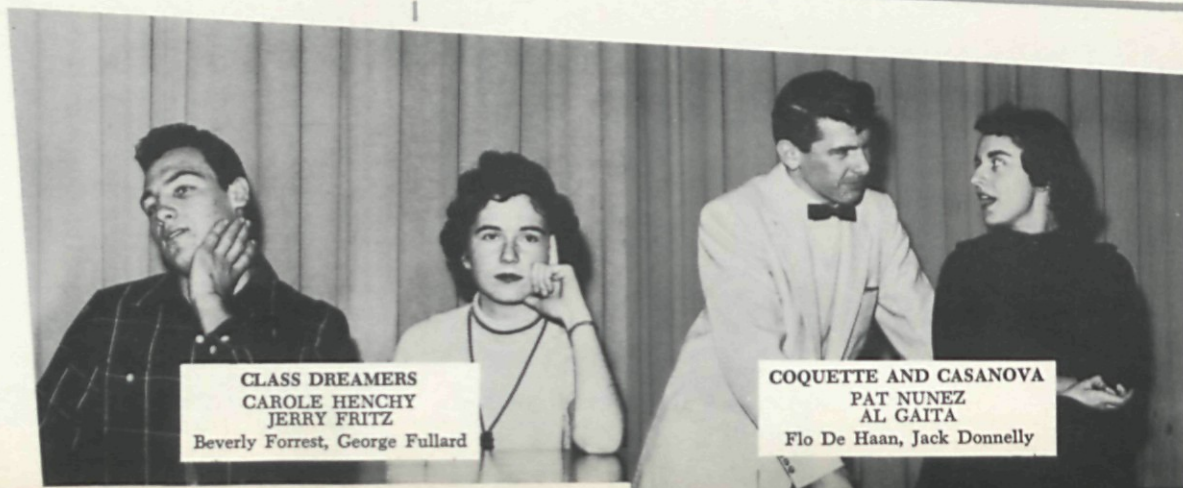
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**MOST ATHLETIC**  
**BEVERLY ZESTER**  
**JERRY FRITZ**  
 Frances Hermanoski, Henry Douma



**PERSONALITY PLUS**  
**FRANCES HERMANOSKI**  
**JACK DONNELLY**  
 Pat Byrne, Dan Bianchi



**CLASS DREAMERS**  
**CAROLE HENCHY**  
**JERRY FRITZ**  
 Beverly Forrest, George Fullard

**COQUETTE AND CASANOVA**  
**PAT NUNEZ**  
**AL GAITA**  
 Flo De Haan, Jack Donnelly





**sports**





Varsity Football Squad

The beginning of the 1954-1955 gridiron season saw a young and "green" team report for practice under the guidance of mentor Joe Farrell. The squad consisted of underclassmen and only a few seniors under the leadership of Jerry Salvi and Mike Spada as co-captains.

The combination of Richie Wetzell to Jerry Fritz soon became known as Valley's most lethal weapon. This duo accounted for much of the Valley yardage in the past season. The backfield was rounded out by fullbacks Jerry Salvi and Bob Lepre, and by halfbacks Bob Crossley, "Jay" Del Sardo, and Joe Gabriel. Others who saw limited action in the Valley backfield were Russ Kelly and Mario Rosellini. Phil LaBruto was the Valley punter with a creditable yardage average.

The right side of the Valley forward wall coupled Jerry Fritz and Ed Capalbo, both unanimous picks on the first team of the Lakeland Conference. Hank Youngster filled the right guard slot with top efficiency. The center was shared by Mike Spada and Frank Casilli, with Spada carrying most of the load. Wilbur Baldwin and John Salvi jointly held the left guard spot. John Neithammer, 200 lb. junior, was responsible for the good job at the left tackle. The left end position was filled by many players during the campaign, but most prominent were Tony Pullara, Bob Lattimore, and Bob Crossley coming up from the halfback slot.

The outlook for next year is one of a better record than the 1-8 record overall and the 1-3 record in conference play recorded this year.



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Wilbur Baldwin  
Left Guard



Henry Youngster  
Right Guard



John Neithammer  
Left Tackle

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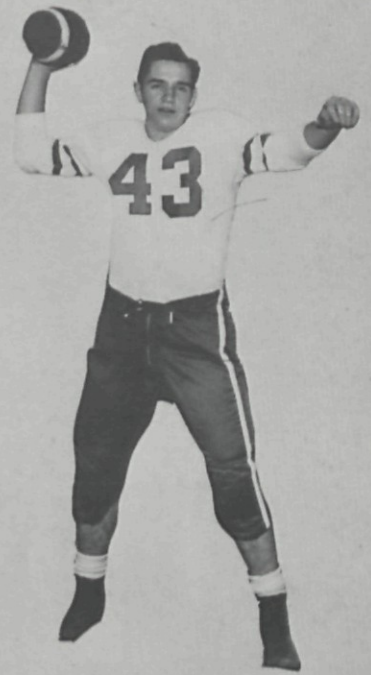


Ed Capalbo  
*Right Tackle*



Jerry Fritz  
*Right End*

Dick Wetzel  
*Quarter Back*



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Tony Pullara  
*Left End*



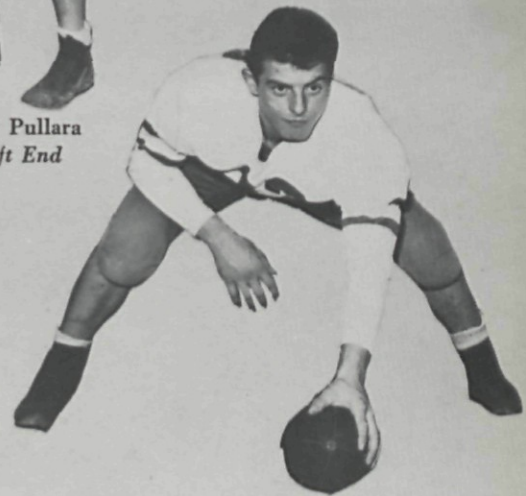
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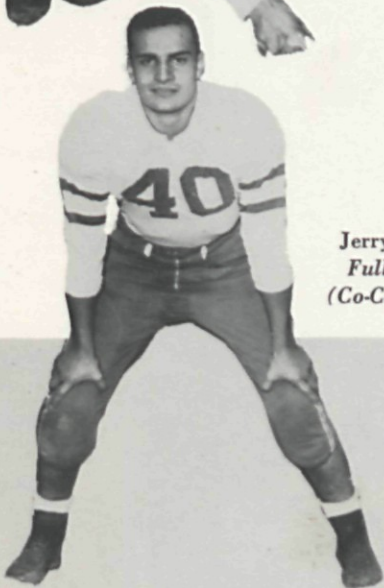
Jim Del-Sardo  
*Half Back (Left)*



"Chick" Crossley  
*Half Back (Right)*

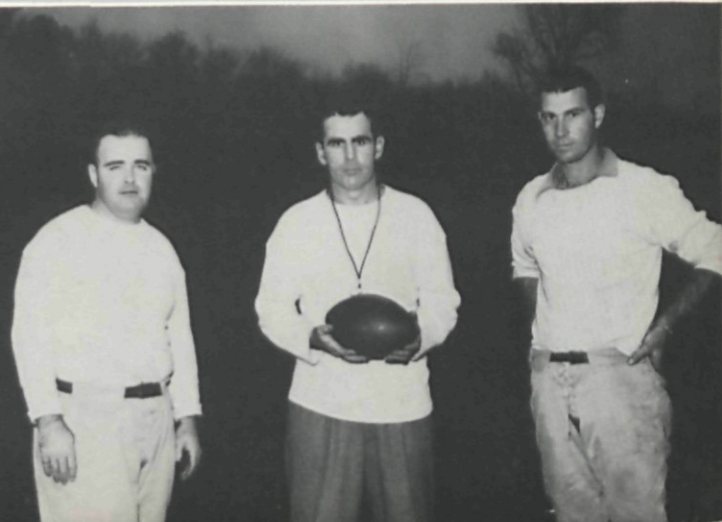


Mike Spada  
*Center  
(Co-Captain)*



Jerry Salvi  
*Fullback  
(Co-Captain)*

Football Coaches  
Mr. Allan McGuirk, Mr. Joseph Farrell, Mr. Anthony Suglia.







Valley vs. Wayne



Valley vs. Wayne



Valley vs. Verona



Freshman  
Football Squad





# **b**asketball

Coach Elmer Griswold piloted the Passaic Valley basketball team to a 20-3 record, which speaks for itself.

The Hornets dropped only one Lakeland Conference game to Butler High after eleven consecutive wins but avenged the defeat with a 73-41 victory over the Bulldogs later on in the season.

In the first round of the Jamboree, the Hornets bettered Dover 50-45. The Hornets met Wayne High in the final and ripped the Indians, 63-45 to "cop" the post-season extravaganza. The Hornets then had the title of Conference Champs and Jamboree Champs.

Passaic Valley entered the state tournament but was defeated by Weehawken, defending champions, in the semi-finals.

Valley's big man was Hank Douma. Hank was big in points and big in rebounding. His 20-point average led the Hornets to an outstanding record. He totaled 373 during the regular season with his high being 49 against Fair Lawn. Hank received many honors, the most prominent being his selection on the All-State Group II team.

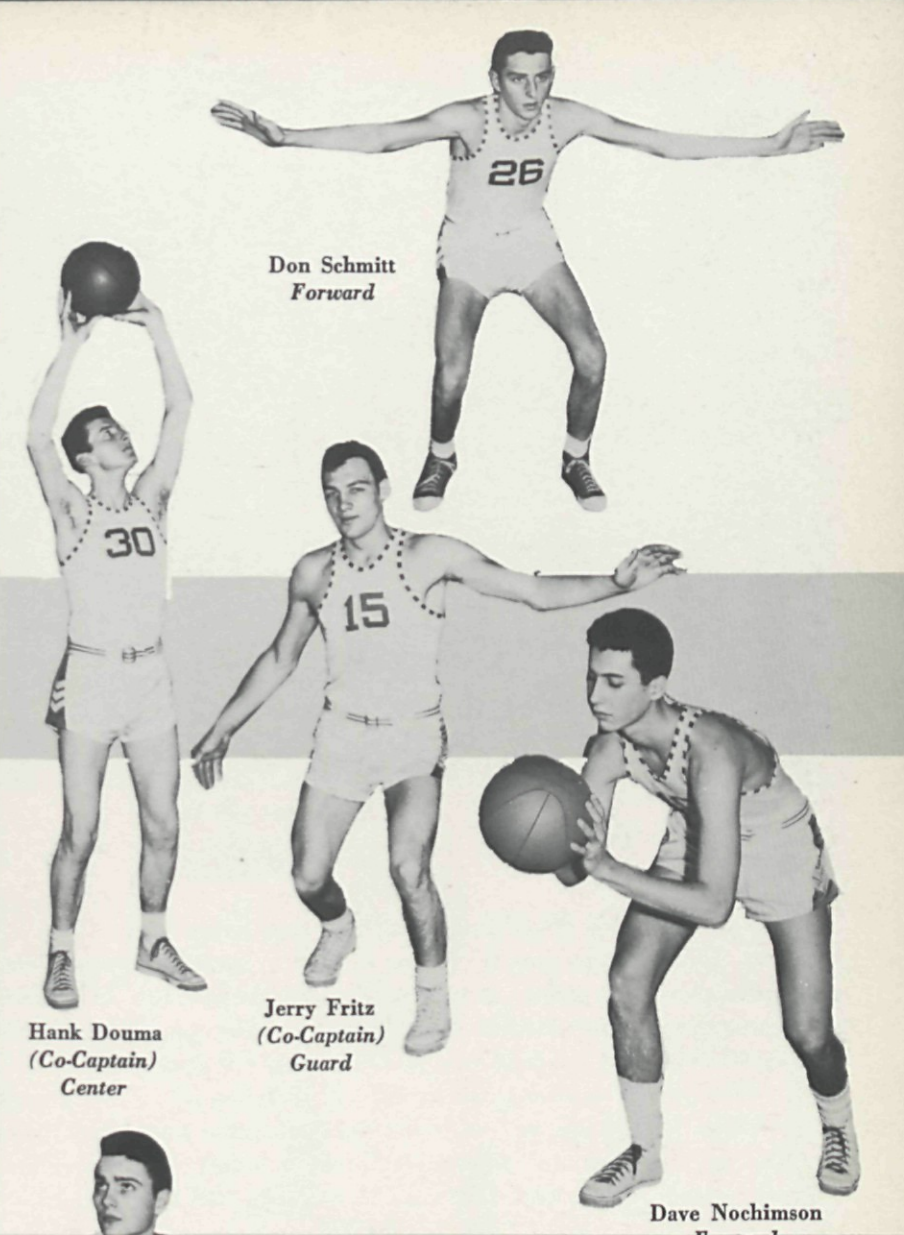
Like Douma, Jerry Fritz is a senior. Fritz will be missed under the boards as he was invaluable to the five in rebounding. Jerry took up the scoring slack when Douma was injured and turned in an excellent performance. Jerry was placed on the All-Conference team, and the All-County team.

Tom Fleck will be around another year displaying his speed and aggressiveness on the hardwood.

Ed Petkus, guard, was the third man under the boards and was placed on the Conference second team.

Frank Michener, a sophomore, is a forward with an excellent set shot who is expected to become one of the best in the next two years.



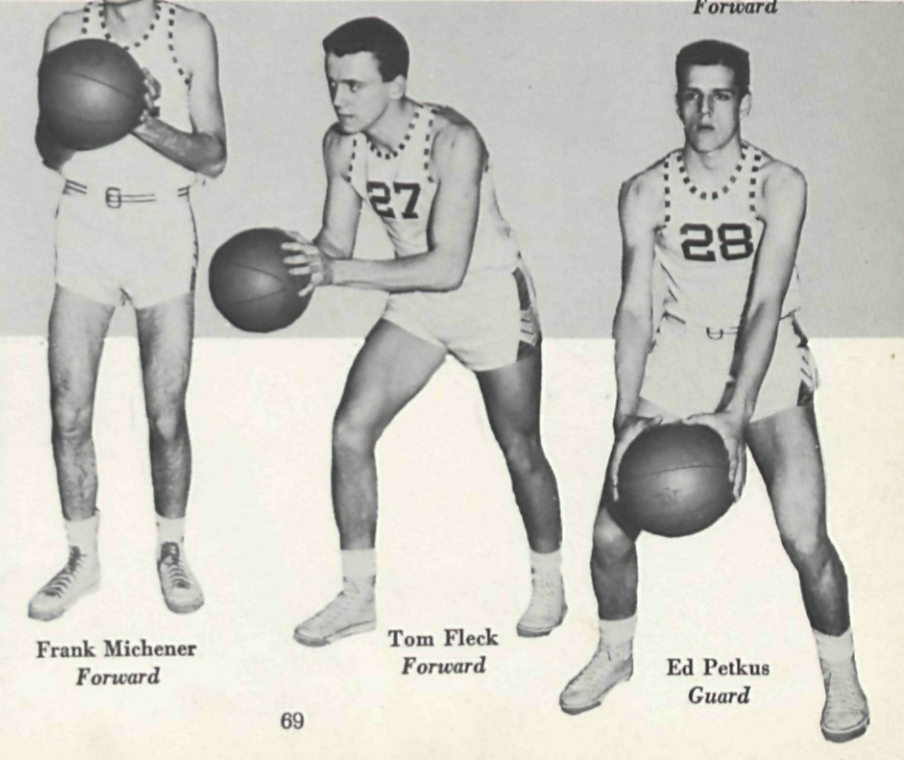


Don Schmitt  
Forward

Hank Douma  
(Co-Captain)  
Center

Jerry Fritz  
(Co-Captain)  
Guard

Dave Nochimson  
Forward



Frank Michener  
Forward

Tom Fleck  
Forward

Ed Petkus  
Guard



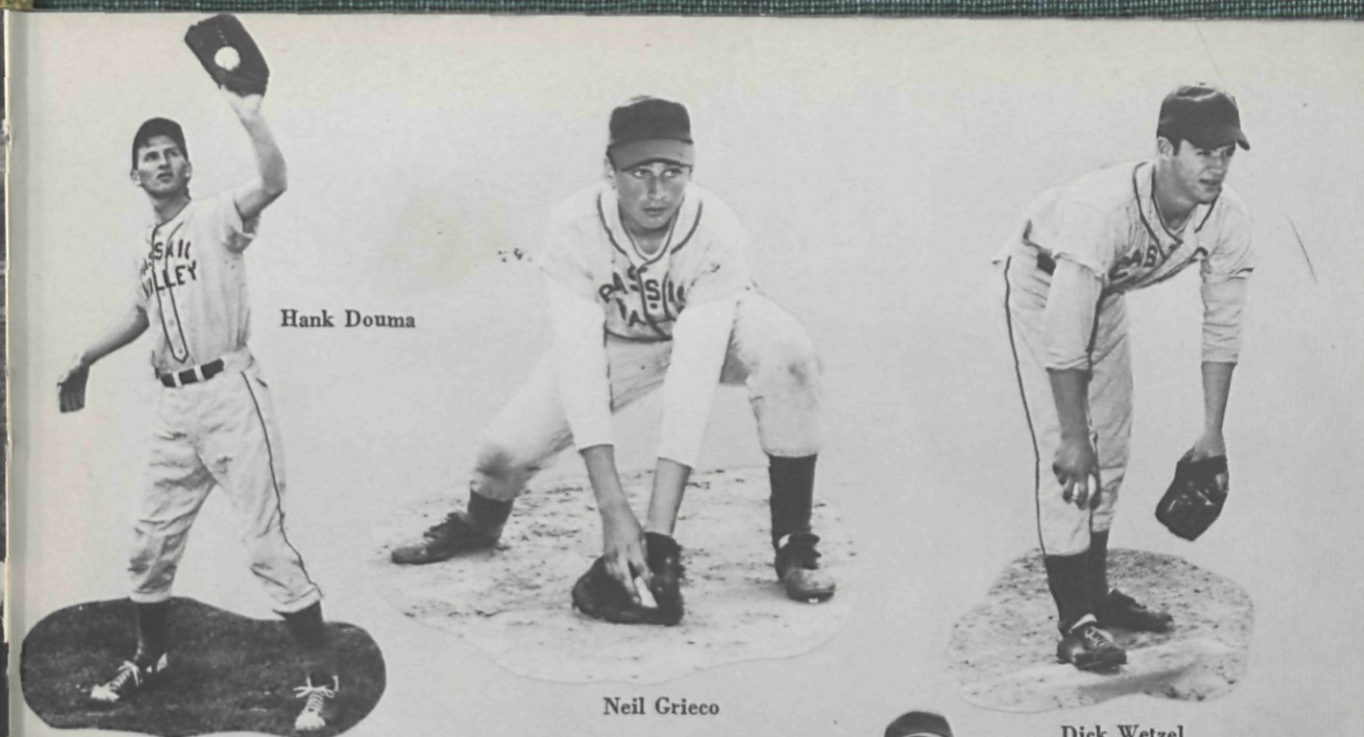


Varsity Baseball Team

This year's Hornet Nine jumped off to a good start on the basis of Dick Wetzel's steady pitching. Tony Ciccone and Joe Bores handled the catching chorus. Hank Douma stood at first and came through with a couple of timely hits. Don Leadbeater and Frank Michener were the keystone combo which was solid and fast. Leadbeater was the squad's best hitter. Sam Theodora started third, but Neil Grieco filled in when Sam was hurt in the Wayne game.

Looking to the outfield, we find Jerry Salvi in left. Jerry possesses a strong arm and a powerful bat. Dave Nochimson, in center, hit well and played some good ball in the "daisies." Alternating in right, Joe Gabriel and James DeSardo rounded out the starters. Valley's reserve pitching fell upon the shoulders of Phil LaBruto, Bob Citro, and Gus Eifler.

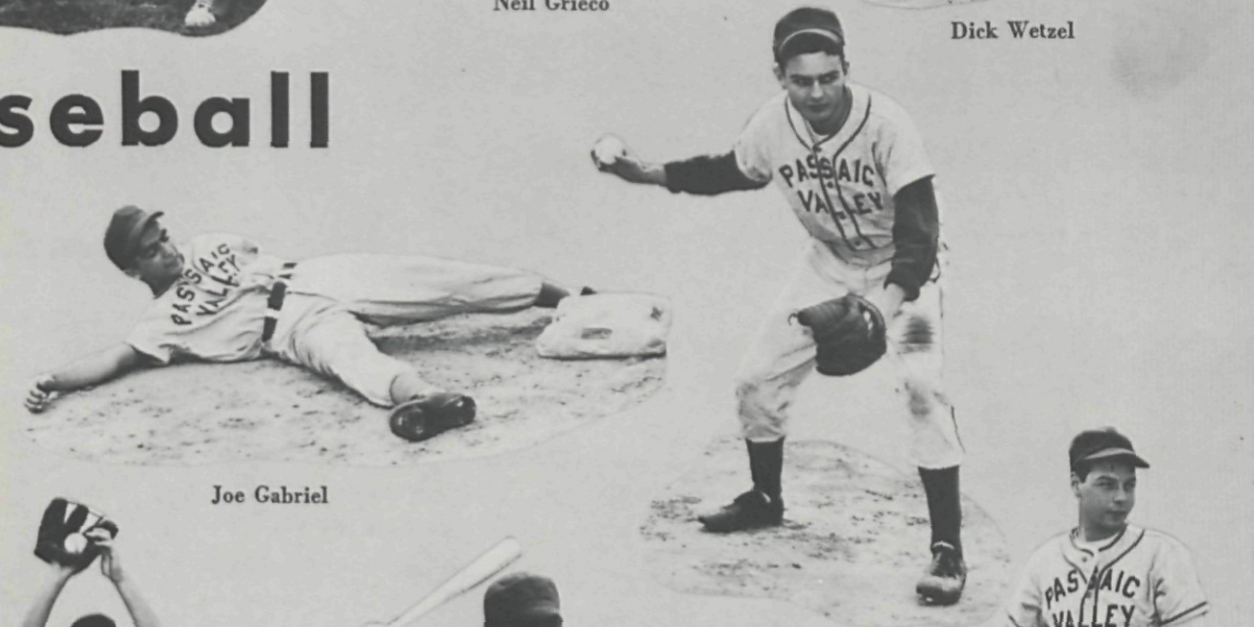
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Hank Douma

Neil Grieco

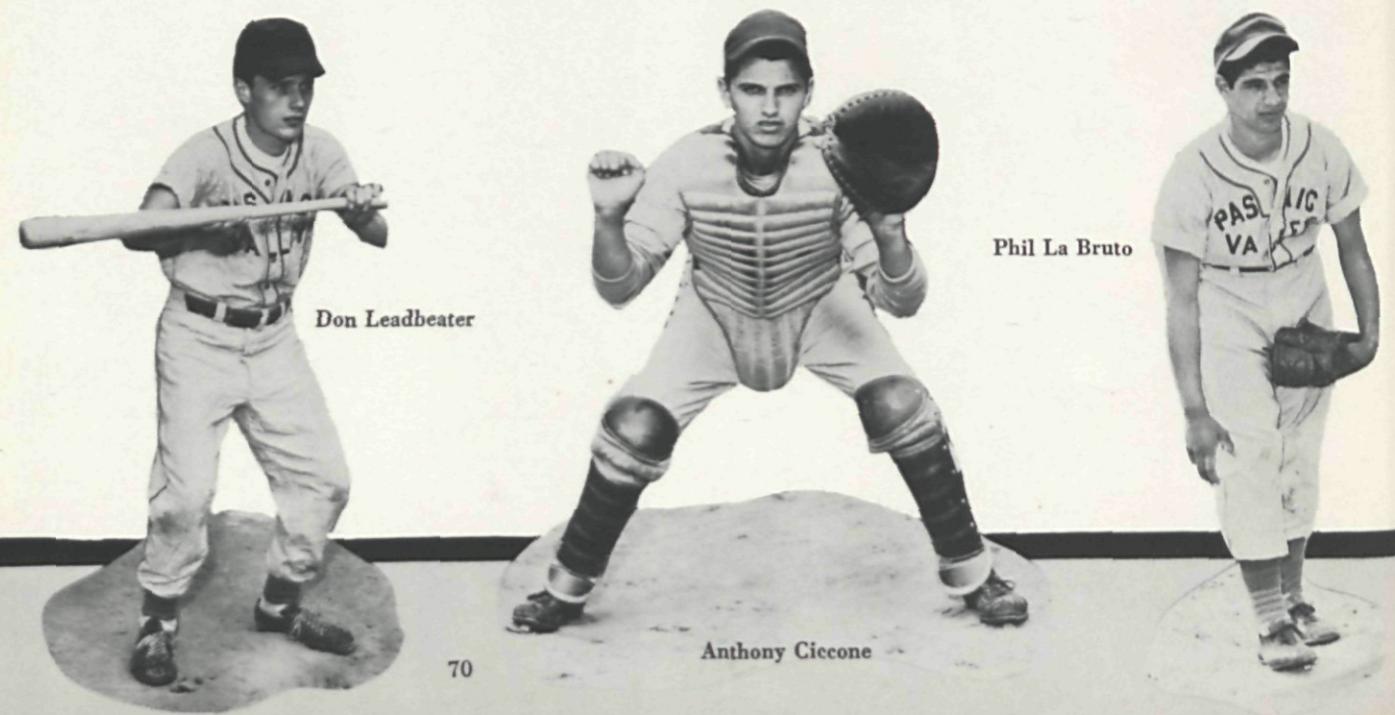
Dick Wetzel



Joe Gabriel

Frank Michener

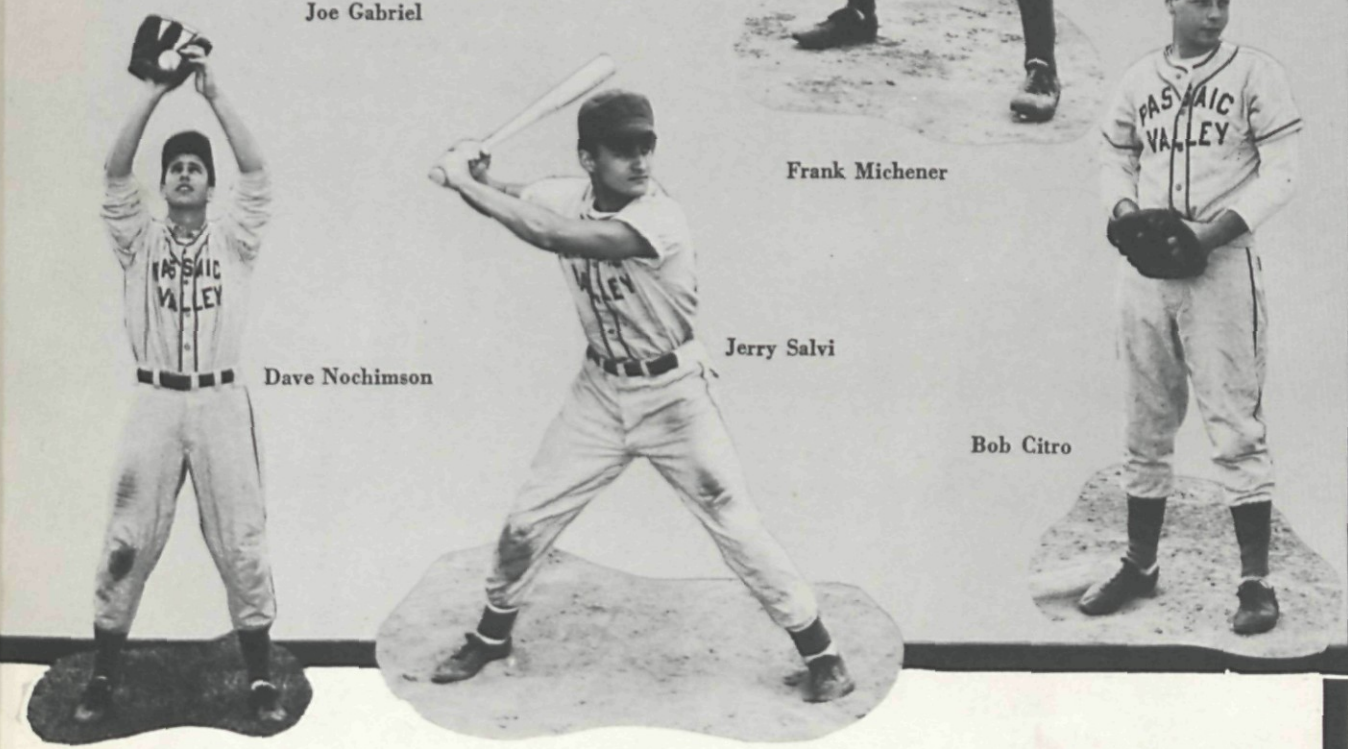
Jerry Salvi



Don Leadbeater

Phil La Bruto

Anthony Ciccone



Dave Nochimson

Bob Citro



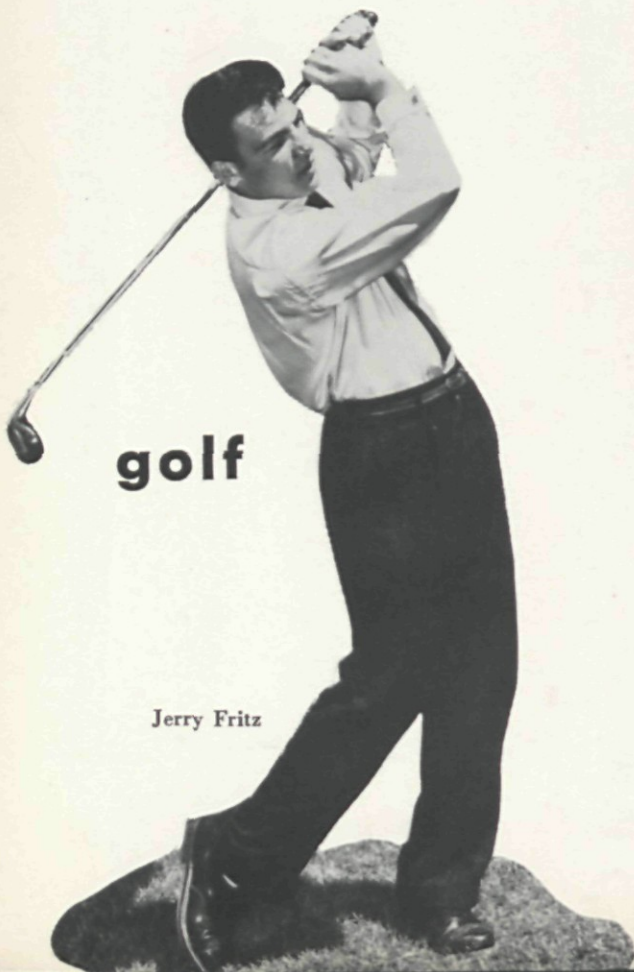


*Boys' Bowling Club*  
Mr. Martin Kehoe, Adviser

## bowling



Fred Overkamp



## golf

Jerry Fritz



Golf Team  
Mr. Thomas Kean, Adviser





GAA Council  
Mrs. Lorraine Duffy, Miss Ellen DeLeyer, Advisers

# g. a. a.

**"A girl in every sport,  
a sport for every girl."**

Under the efficient leadership of Regina Sanford, the GAA has witnessed another highly successful year. The officers were: President, Regina Sanford; Vice-President, Pat Byrne; Secretary, Madeline Greiner; Treasurer, Janet Book; Green Chief, Frances Hermanoski; and White Chief, Muriel Mues. These were elected to office by the girls of Passaic Valley, each of whom is a member of the GAA.

Regina Sanford  
President Passaic Valley GAA



Muriel Mues, White Chief;  
Dr. Schneider holding GAA  
trophy; Fran Hermanoski,  
Green Chief.







## tumbling

MRS. DUFFY  
Adviser

## modern dance

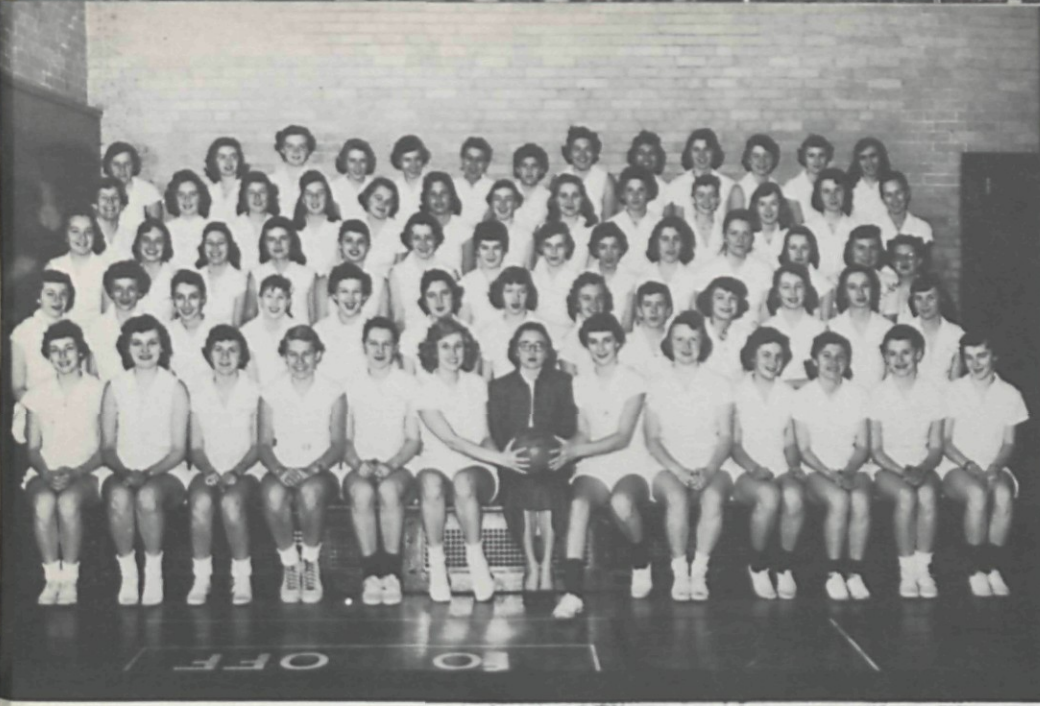
MRS. DUFFY  
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## badminton

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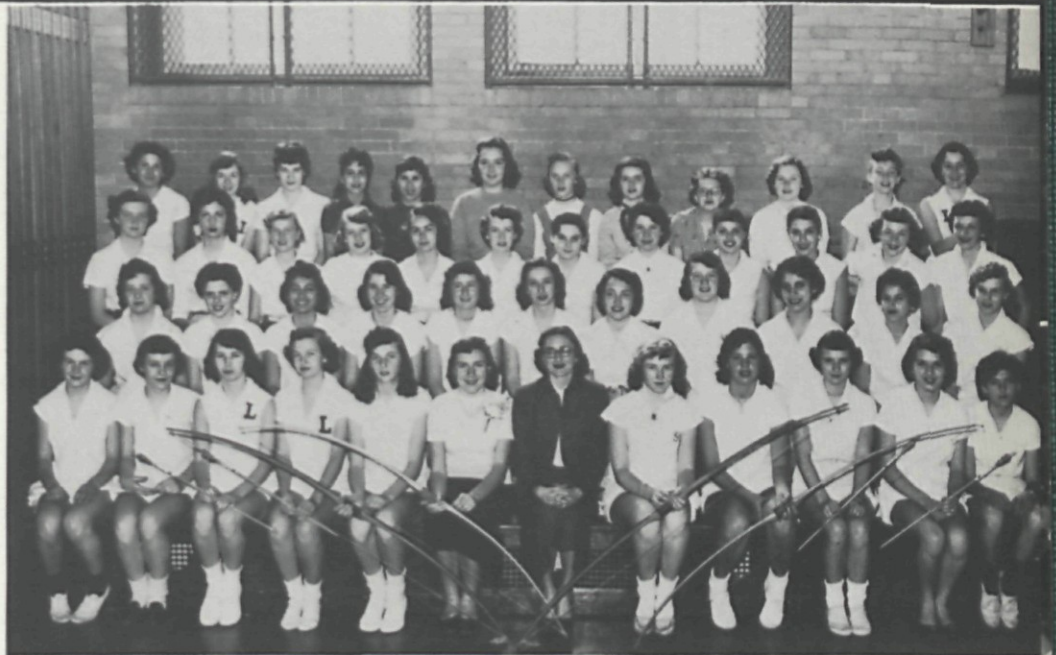


## **basketball**

MRS. DUFFY  
Adviser

## **archery**

MRS. DUFFY  
Adviser



## **swimming**

MISS DeLEYER  
Adviser





## hockey

MISS DeLEYER, MRS. DUFFY  
Advisers

## bowling

MISS WELIVER  
Adviser



## class captains and leaderettes

MISS DeLEYER, MRS. DUFFY  
Advisers







MISS DeLEYER  
Adviser

**refreshment committee**



**softball**

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Adviser





Marion Van Valkenberg

Lucille Santolucci



Raelene Rydzik



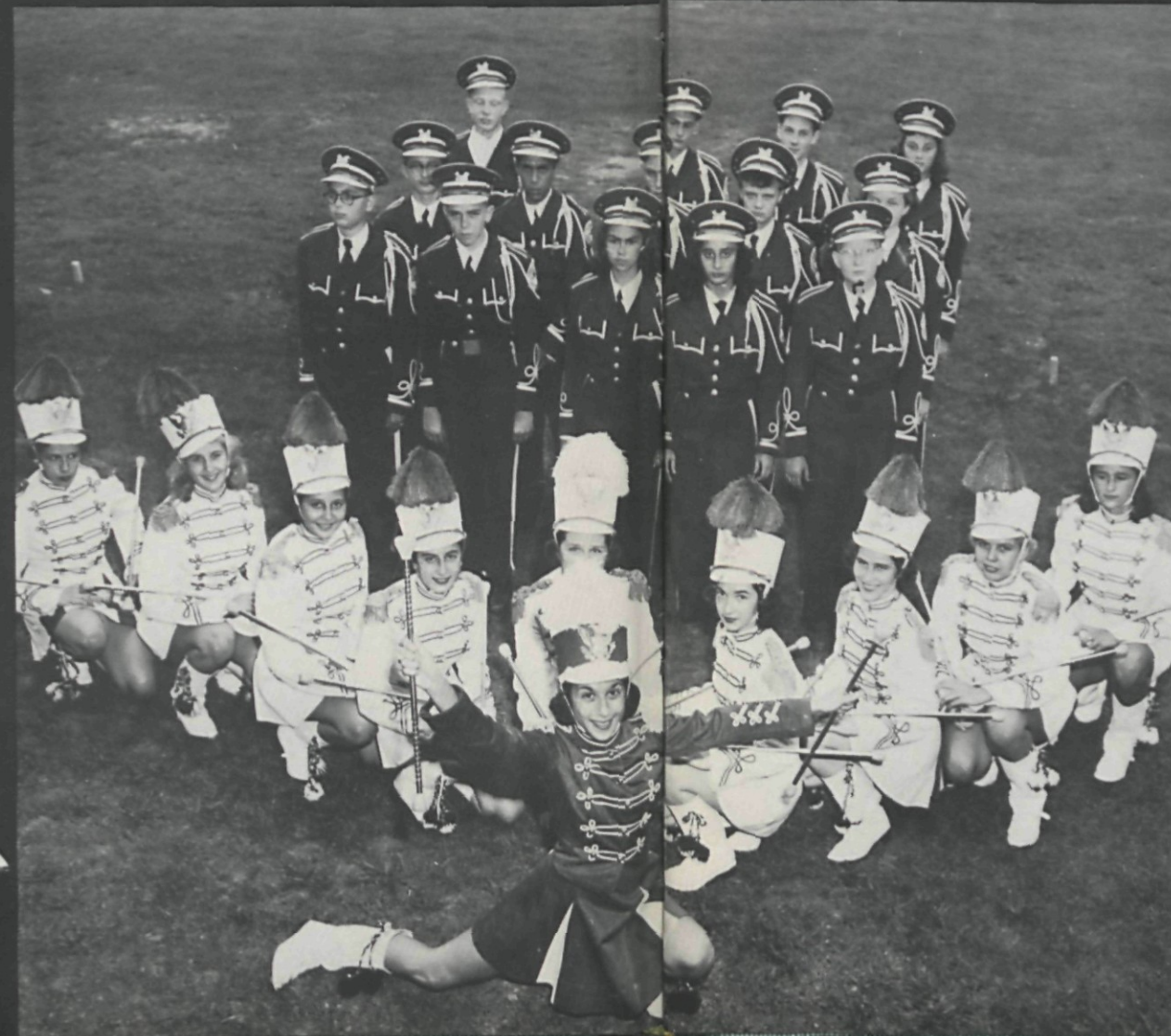
Beatrice Reda

Nancy Van Splinter

# twirlers

Under the capable leadership of Lorraine Cobianchi, head twirler, and the guidance of Mrs. Donald Duffy, the spectators at our football games and various other events have witnessed a fine showing. Last year the twirlers used two batons for the first time, and this year they learned a new and more difficult strut.

The squad consisted of: Lorraine Cobianchi, Frances Hermanoski, Beatrice Reda, Lucille Santolucci, Raelene Rydzik, Jane Roselene, Gloria Cole, Marion Van Valkenberg, Vicky Halma, and Nancy Van Splinter.



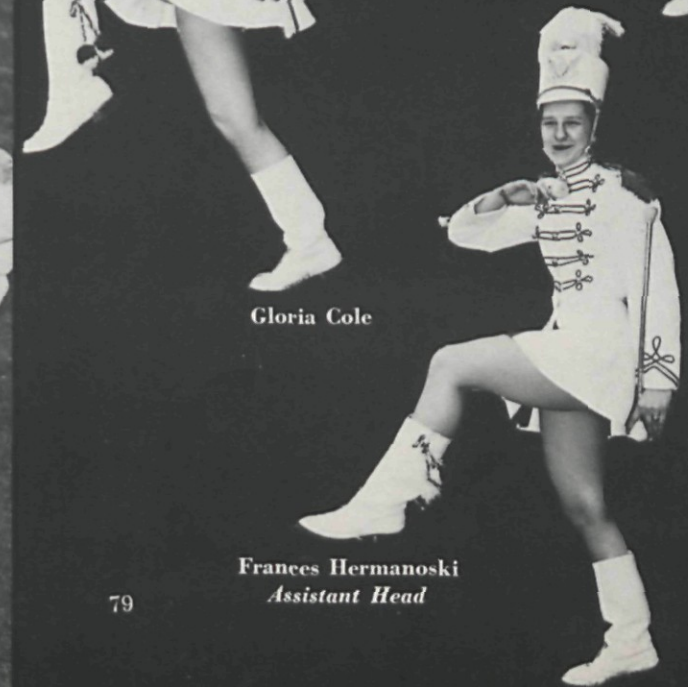
Lorraine Cobianchi  
Head Twirler



Vicky Halma



Jane Roselene



Gloria Cole

Frances Hermanoski  
Assistant Head





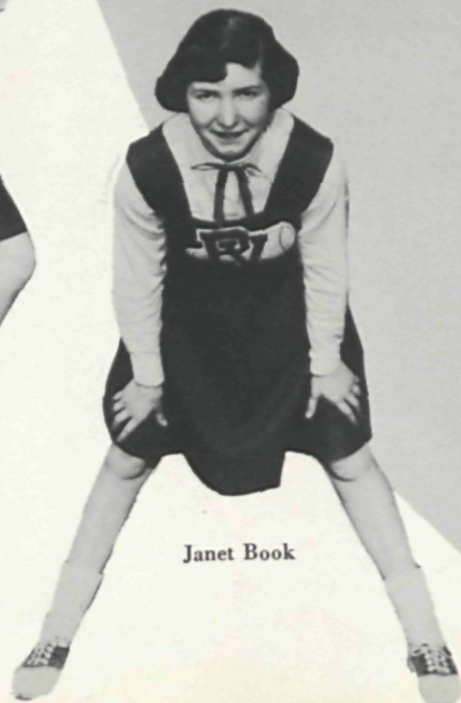
Varsity Cheerleaders

This year's cheering squad has been headed by Pat Byrne with Miss Tiessen as adviser. Pat has introduced many new formations and cheers. We have also had the pleasure of presenting a new song cheer, "If you want to make a basket," which was a tremendous success.

The squad, consisting of Pat Byrne, Muriel Mues, Janet Book, Pat Coffey, Loretta Trione, Sandy Del Sardo, Terry Coffey and Terry Fierro; Subs Carol Di Giacomo and Betty Byrne; and Alternates Catherine Crossley and Lorraine Korlishin, has done much toward supporting our teams and keeping our spirits high.



Pat Byrne  
Head Cheerleader



Janet Book



Muriel Mues



Loretta Trione



## cheerleaders



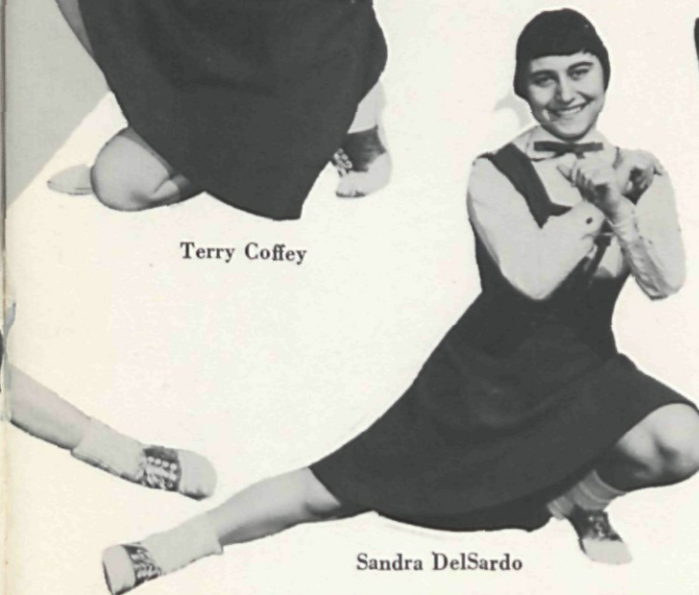
Jayvee Cheerleaders  
Catherine Crossley, Carol DiGiacomo,  
Betty Byrne, Lorraine Korlishin



Terry Coffey



Terry Fierro

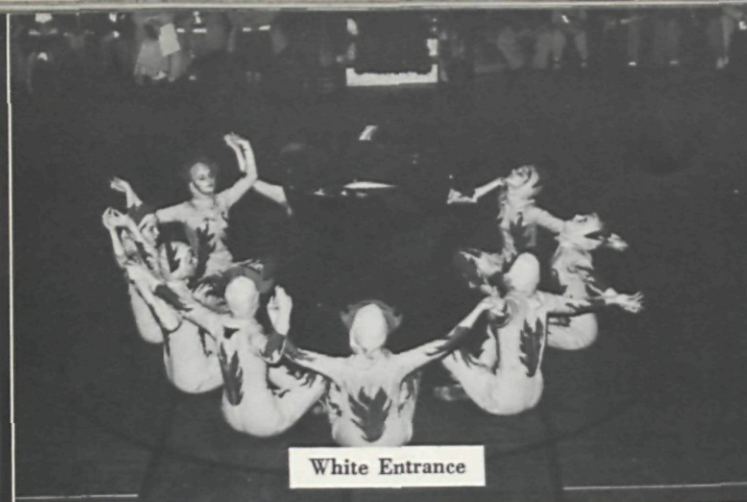


Sandra DelSardo



Pat Coffey





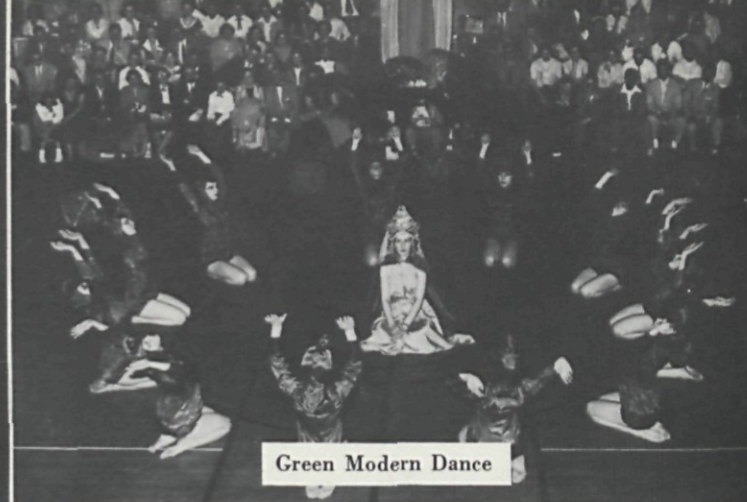
White Entrance



Finale



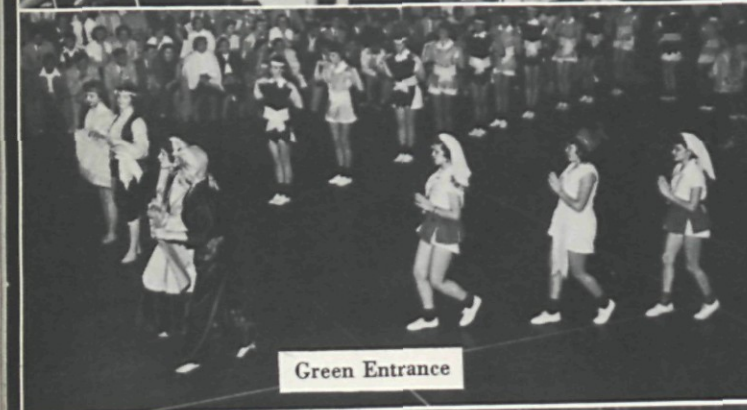
White Cheering



Green Modern Dance



White Entrance



Green Entrance



Green Entrance



White Modern Dance



G. A. A. Trophy

# girls' show

The themes for this year's Girls' Show were Africa and the Orient. The Whites, led by Muriel Mues, carried out the African theme, and based the entrance on four different native tribes. The Greens, led by Frances Hermanoski, carried out the Orient theme, with a group representing each Oriental country.

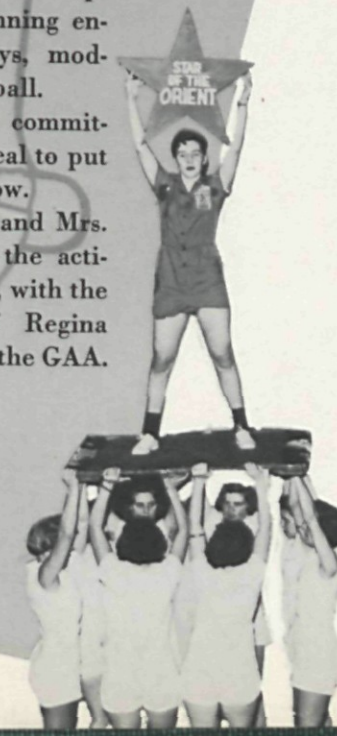
The Whites won tumbling and covers. The Greens captured the show by winning entrance, cheering, relays, modern dance, and basketball.

The chiefs and their committee heads did a great deal to put on a very splendid show.

Miss Ellen DeLeyer and Mrs. Donald Duffy guided the activities and the program, with the capable assistance of Regina Sanford, President of the GAA.



Green Cheering



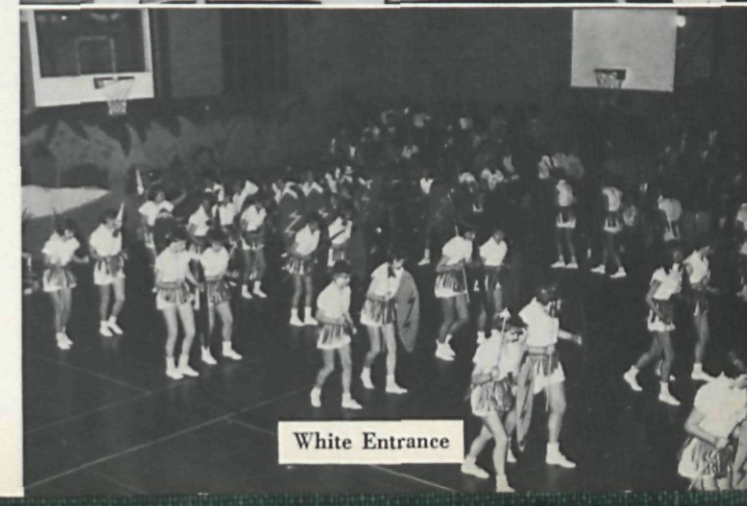
White Tumbling



Green Entrance



White Tumbling



White Entrance



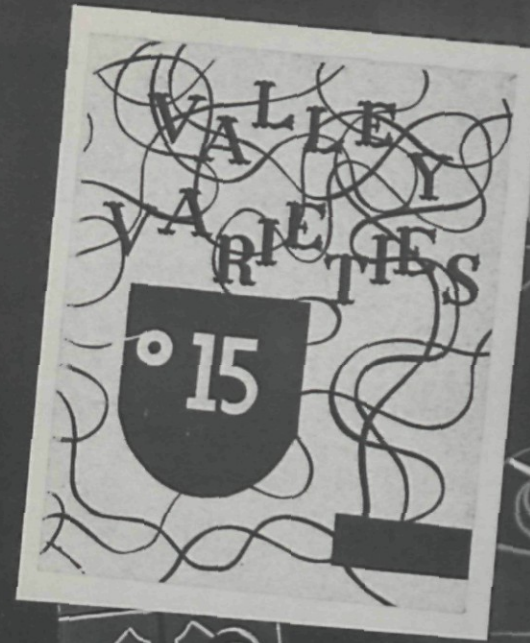
# valley varieties



On April 29, 1955, the 15th annual Valley Varieties was presented. The auditorium show, "On Stage", which was a parody on a T. V. spectacular, was originally written for the occasion by Miss Adra Tiessen and Mr. Peter Sirch.

A buffet supper was served in the cafeteria. Games were played in the gymnasium; and refreshments, flowers, pictures, and other gifts were sold.

The grand finale was held in the gymnasium culminating in the crowning of Mike Spada and Pat Byrne as King and Queen of Valley Varieties.





lest we forget...



Our past looking toward the future.



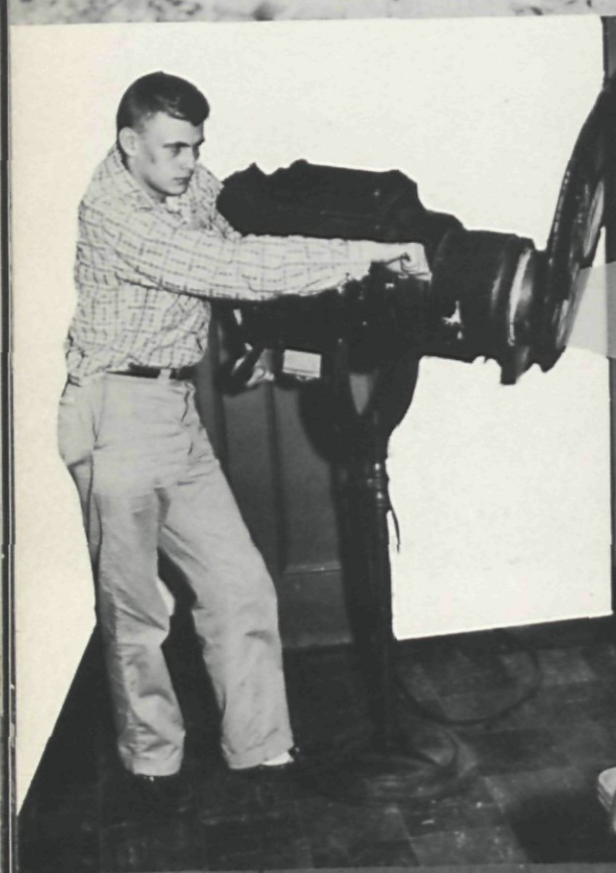
How many times have we seen this sight during our four years?



Who'll ever forget that cooking?



So we leave—for the last time.



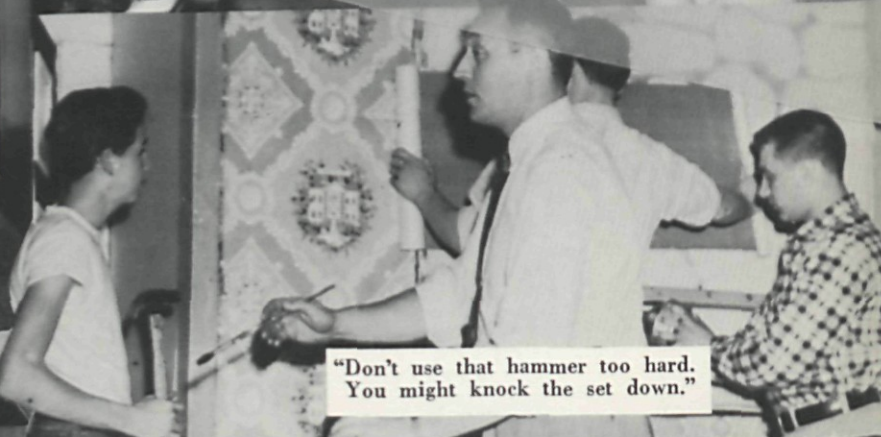
Who'll ever forget those mad lunch periods? Pass those potato chips!



Who knows, there may be another Garbo or Barrymore, or even a Brando here.



Don't be afraid, frosh, it's only a senior.



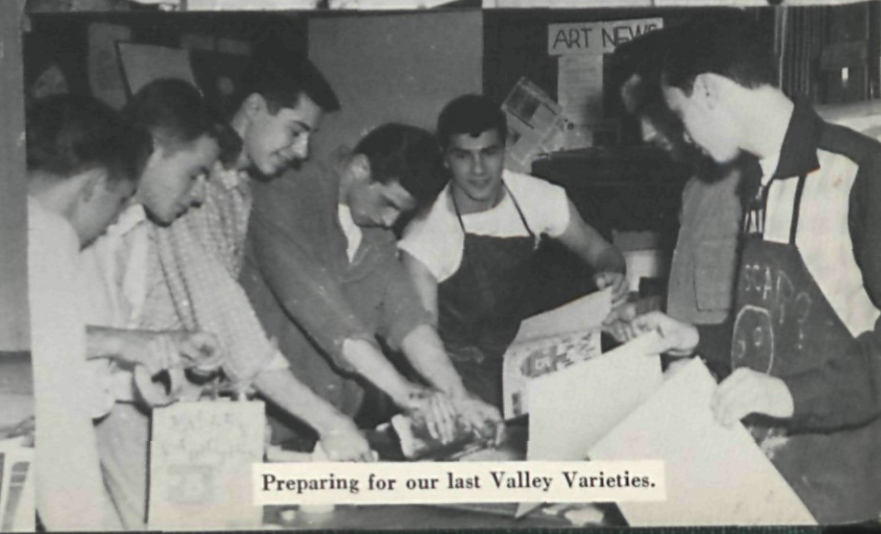
"Don't use that hammer too hard. You might knock the set down."



We've developed some championship teams at Valley.



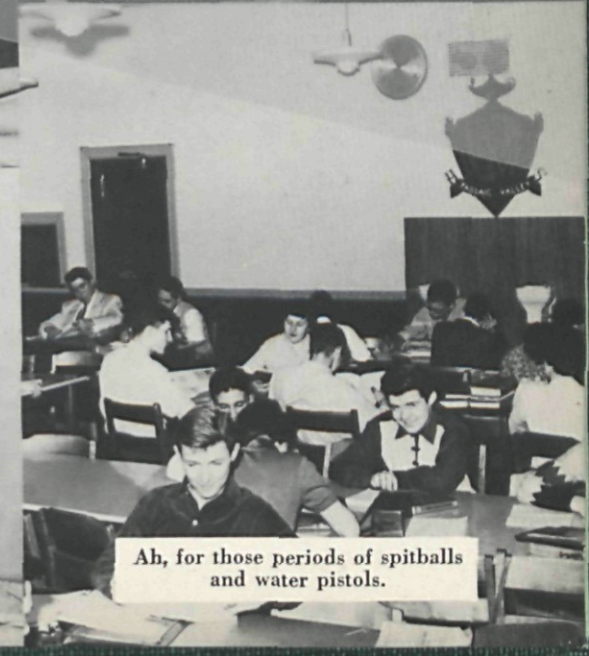
Ah, those master thespians!



Preparing for our last Valley Varieties.



"Don't forget you were a freshman once too."



Ah, for those periods of spitballs and water pistols.

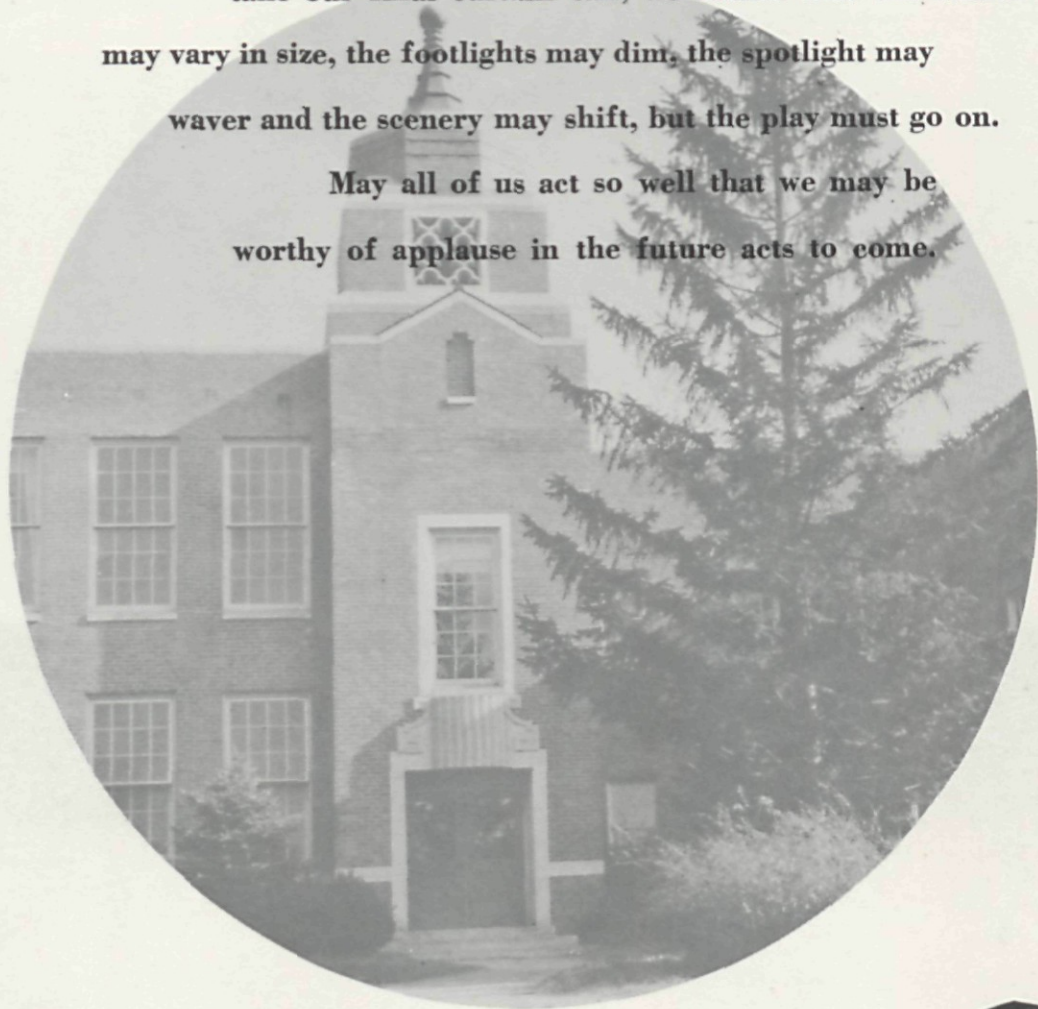


# epilogue

As we, the stars in "HOW GREEN WAS OUR VALLEY,"

take our final curtain call, we realize that the audience may vary in size, the footlights may dim, the spotlight may waver and the scenery may shift, but the play must go on.

May all of us act so well that we may be worthy of applause in the future acts to come.



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