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Jennifer Huntington
WHS Headmaster

During her six years at Watertown High School, Headmaster Jennifer Huntington exemplified all the values which WHS hoped to instill in its students. An outstanding individual, she forged a pathway of respect, scholarship, and service in Watertown. By involving the students in each step of the educational process, each member of the school community was engaged in the process of crafting and molding the habitat in which learning and personal growth was fostered and developed. Mrs. Huntington’s support of student endeavors, such as the 1997 Annual, was unparalleled and worthy of gratitude and praise. As Mrs. Huntington departs Watertown High School with the Class of 1997, we as a class wish to thank her for the strides she has made in our name and dedicate this book as a token of our appreciation for all she has done for each of us.
Mrs. Huntington led the way in working for respect here. I admire all her efforts.

We thank her for all of her support and caring.

Mrs. Huntington was an enthusiastic administrator, always ready to give each student a warm welcome each morning.

Her love of the school and its students was evident in everything that she did.

She is a caring individual who put forth her best effort everyday to benefit her students, whom she treated as if they were her own children.

We will miss her dedication and her support of all school activities.

Every student who came in contact with Mrs. Huntington will remember her incredible generosity, wisdom, and fervor.

Mrs. Huntington is a caring woman who created a safe environment for all her students.

We can’t imagine WHS going on without her. She made our high school experience a memorable one.

She left her mark by beginning the highly successful Student Leaders program, which planned a variety of school events such as the activities fair and days of respect.
Dear Class of 1997,

What a great class you are! Words cannot describe the great times I've had with you during the past four years. Class activities, such as the trip to Six Flags and especially the senior class functions, gave all of us who work at Watertown High School a chance to see what a special group of people you are.

Many of you mentioned to me before you left that you wanted your class to leave its mark on W.H.S. It is safe to say that you accomplished this goal with ease. Other classes at school are now planning casual outdoor barbecues for their senior banquets and are using many of your prom ideas for their future functions. You are, of course, remembered daily by many of the students who have made good use of your lovely picnic tables.

If I could make one wish for each of you, it would be that wherever you go, and wherever life takes you, that you always stay in touch with the members of your high school class. You are a wonderful group of people who will always hold a special place in my heart. The best is yet to come for each of you.

Karen Trenholm
Vice President Jessica Haffey, Secretary Lauren Burns, President Andrew Allegro, President Zaher Bazzi, Treasurer Jennifer Schifani.

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Tamar Bedoyaan, Caroline Marshall, James Furbush, Cara Garber, Lisa Taverna.
Putting together the 1997 *Annual* was a difficult task and countless hours in Room 166. After hours of brainstorming, leafing through piles of pictures, and constructing the book on the computer, I am pleased with the results. Myself and my staff hope that you will cherish and enjoy this book for many years to come.

I would like to thank, first and foremost, Mrs. Gaylene Fantasia for the many hours of help and support she unselfishly devoted as our advisor. I would also like to extend my gratitude to Brian and everyone at Burlington Studios for providing nearly all the photography in the book, Mrs. Huntington for her constant support and help, and of course Julie, Maggie, Jessica, Cara, Eliana, Kristin, Carolyn, Kellie, Laura, Linda, Jaime, John, Caroline, Jill and Jenn for putting in the most time and effort into making this book a success.

Matthew Madden
Editor-In-Chief
It's All About...
Congratulations Class of 1997! You are the best! This yearbook will be a wonderful way for you to hold the memories of your years at WHS, and to look ahead and keep in touch with your friends and teachers. Everything that is good about our high school is represented on these pages: all the activities from sports to drama to clubs, all the events from dances and proms to assemblies, and most importantly, all the people who make this a great school: your classmates, the underclassmen, and your teachers. Take this book with you through the years ahead, and live up to the ideals and values you have learned here — respect others, continue learning and make a difference. I love you all! Good luck, good health, and good decisions for the rest of your lives.

Best Wishes,
Jennifer Huntington
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It's All About...
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22 Seniors
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26 Seniors
Jessica Menton  Natalie Merjik  Georgia Michel  Steven Minas

Jason Mirabito  Rebecca Missal

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Oscar Valiente
Scott Walters
Anatasia Zamakis

Chang Qing Zheng

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It’s All About . . .
The season began with energy, hard work, and wishful thinking as the Boys' team planned to compete with teams in their dual meets and work hard towards success in the November State Meets. Under the leadership of Captain Matt Madden, along with Seniors Dan LeBlanc, Jason Mirabito, and Jim Furbush, the team came together and fought hard for one of their best seasons in recent years.

The Raiders had many memorable moments during the fall campaign. A balance of both work and fun was achieved each week from the track workouts at Victory, pasta dinners before meets, bus rides all over the state, and frisbee games at the field. The season reached a climax when the Raiders visited Belmont for their final dual meet. After a gruelling race, the team lost a close contest, 28-27.

Returning next season are a strong core of quality runners. Under the guidance of Coach Sullivan, returning veterans Doug Doo, Joe Pires, Nate Chase, and Brian Madden are assured to build upon the success and determination of the graduating squad.
Coach Larry Sullivan and Captain Matt Madden

Danny LeBlanc and Jason Mirabito visualize racing

Jim Furbush sprints to the finish

Doug Doo edging out Tanner opponent

Matt Madden puts on his race face seconds before the gun

Boys Cross Country 35
The 1996 Girls Cross Country season began with a summer camp on Cape Cod. The team spirit gained during that week carried through the remainder of the season as they held together through practices, team dinners, and many other events. The climax of the season was attending a traditional State Meet at Franklin Park during a driving rain storm. Running a five kilometer (3.1 mile) race is very difficult and adding blinding rain and howling wind to the picture makes the challenge even greater. Coach Larry Sullivan, who was more than happy to cheer on the girls in his yellow slicker in the rain, also provided inspirational advice to the girls before every run.

The season brought many difficulties as the girls faced formidable competition in the Middlesex League, but also many moments of success and achievement. Captain Becca Missal was named a Middlesex League All-Star and Caroline Marshall an honorable mention. Both captains are quick to caution that the “Super Sophomores” and “Gold Dust Twins” put in just as much work and were the foundation of a season of happiness and personal growth.
Captains Becca and Caroline with Coach Sullivan

Monrvile, Marshall, and Misal show stains of battle

Caroline Marshall heads into the final stretch

Captains clean after muddy contest at Franklin Park

Girls await three mile race against Woburn Tanners
"It might be the running" was one way a local newspaper explained the continued dominance of the WHS Field Hockey Team across Massachusetts. It might also have been the sheer heart and determination put into every single practice and game during the Raider season.

The regular season was a remarkable campaign of near perfection. The Raiders won seventeen games and strayed from their winning ways only once in a tie contest with Lexington. Entering the postseason tournament action, the Raiders were once again poised to aim for the trophy. After victories against Marblehead, Amesbury, Manchester, and Narragansett in tournament play, the Raiders returned to the State Finals against Bellingham at WPI. In a game full of heart and suspense, the Raiders put their State Championship dreams on hold in a close 4-3 defeat. The astounding record at season’s end (21-1-1) only begins to describe the heights to which the “Girls of Autumn” rose under Coach Eileen Donahue. While giving their coach her 200th career win, they also gave themselves a sense of accomplishment and determination.
Jill Fantasia takes a shot at Victory.

National Team Member Jane Rogers

Field Hockey
After a stunning 1995 campaign, the Raiders had difficulty finding a rhythm during the 96 fall season. The team was led by a great group of seniors including six returning starters. The Raiders were able to win their first contest against Somerville. However, star running back Kevin DaRosa fractured his tibia following a 120 yard showing in the first half, causing a huge loss to the Raider line up. The team rebounded after this setback to beat Stoneham, but struggled throughout the rest of the tough Middlesex League season which came to a close with a loss to team rival Belmont, 20-6.

The team came together in that game as well as off the field. Senior Andrew Allegro recalls watching many members of the WHS Football Program coming together to confront the Waltham School Committee and request that Coach Paul McGovern be allowed to continue to coach at Watertown High. It was moments like these, as well as the camaraderie on the field displayed during both good times and bad, that mark the Raider season as one of pride, respect, and success.
John Deal awaits a first down call.

Kevin DaRosa back in action!

Bobby DiStefano leads the kickoff team.

Senior Mark Mazzeo looks for some running room.

Coaches pose with Captains Deal, Curran, and DaRosa.
The Football Cheerleaders worked very hard during the season to keep player and fan spirits high in the face of difficult competition from Middlesex League foes. Aside from cheering at football games, the girls worked to pump up the players for each contest, decorate the school for the Fall Spirit Rally, and prepare their performance for the fall exhibition.

When asked to list highlights of the season, the members of the squad listed nearly every event they participated in, a tribute to the emotion they put into each activity they were involved in. "We had many bumps in the road, but we overcame them, and had a great season," recalled Senior Captain Jenifer Peschier. Spirits reached new heights for the season when the traditional Thanksgiving contest against Belmont arrived and the team decked out the school in red and black colors, toilet papered the houses of the senior football players, and ended the season cheering for the Raider team against traditional rivals, the Belmont Mauraders.
Captains Krissy DiMascio, Jen Peschier & Suzanne Barry

All smiles as girls pump up the crowd!

Raider Girls during a break in the action

Seniors Jen Peschier and Suzanne Barry discuss next cheer

Kristy DiMascio and Krizia Coroni show their Raider Pride
‘“Do your best and don’t do anything stupid” was the cry from Coach McGovern this season. The team attempted to live up to those instructions out on the course each day, but always managed to have bloopers to laugh about on the bus rides home. Coach McGovern was always able to crack a joke, even after a tough golf match, and kept up the spirit and enthusiasm on this struggling squad.

The Raiders were lead by seniors Anthony Solimine, Steve Vogel, Mike Demore and Middlesex League All-Star Charlie Garabedian. Under the leadership of these experienced veterans, the team grew very close both on and off the links. Players often found time to play together during the off season and worked together to keep their skills sharp. Captain Steve Vogel pointed out that though the team as a whole developed throughout the season, the loss of the seniors will have a strong effect on the Raider future.
Captains Solmine, Garabedian, Vogel & Coach McGovern

Steve Vogel shows off his driving form

Mike Demore finishing off a great drive

Golf 45
This team was one of the most diverse and culturally mixed squads in the Watertown athletic program. Strong leadership from Senior Captains Scott Dunlop, Vasken Kebabjian and Markos Shahbazyan kept the team together and united through both good days and bad. Other departing leaders on the team include Bayan Stevens, Ricardo Giron and Vicente Naranjo.

Coach Sanchez fostered a sense of team pride and unity in games and practice. In one case, team members played a spirited game of rugby with the soccer ball in order to learn cooperation and teamwork. Captain Vasken Kebabjian believes that one of the shining moments of the season was when forward Vicente Naranjo received a penalty shot near the end of the first half of a game. The team took a one goal lead over Belmont. Though the Raiders were not victorious, their confidence increased.

The varsity team is now rebuilding. The Seniors wish luck to the future of Raider Soccer and hope that the success of the Junior Varsity will continue.
Captain Kebabjian drives up the field.

Garo clears ball out of Raider goal box.

Scott heads ball over Burlington opponent.

Dunlop, Kebabjian, and Shahbazy with Coach Sanchez.

Raiders prepare to do battle!
Though not always cheering for the victorious team, the Soccer Cheerleading Squad kept up the spirits of the players on the field and fans at Moxley Field. Though not always as close knit as Captain Mary Takyvoryan may have wished, the team worked diligently to both successfully represent WHS at each game and towards a team goal of a great performance in the fall cheerleading exhibition.

Coach Roberta Best kept the girls going by constantly expressing her pride in the accomplishments of the team. She was remembered by team members as always being there for the girls and expressing her heartfelt gratitude that they achieved the goal of putting on a great performance in their first cheerleading exhibition.
Assistant Captain Mary Takvoryan

Spirits kept high at Mosley Field

All together now?

Raider Seniors

Varsity Squad performs for the camera.
It was a very memorable year for the Girls Varsity Soccer Team. In their inaugural varsity season, the team got a chance to play in the "Big League" against state powers Winchester and Belmont. The team was especially close, with the seniors providing a strong foundation for the otherwise young team.

Although the Raiders were unable to collect a Middlesex League win, under the guidance of Coach Tom Johnson the girls consistently played well and shocked Middlesex League teams with their competitive play and hard work. The loss of ten skilled seniors will prove to be a difficult obstacle for the team to overcome, but with increasing numbers in the program, the group will be sure to have a strong opportunity to win its first league game and be a team to contend with.

Go Bananas!
Jessica Haffey plays the ball in the air.

Cara Garber shows her skills.

Senior Alina Turtle.

Maggie Coe looks to make a play.

Theresa Farrell spots an opening.
This year's Raider Basketball team was the first team since 1991 to advance to the state tournament. Led by tri-captains Andrew Allegro, Tim Fitzgerald, and Mark Raymond, the Raiders finished the season with an 11-11 record. Coach Steve Harrington was obviously pleased to see the Raiders come on so strong this season. After a 5-6 start, the team came out on fire in the second half of the season to win 5 of 6 games including one against league powerhouse, Stoneham. The boys packed Dr. John J. Kelley Gymnasium all year, drawing fans to WHS with their remarkable play.

The Raiders entered the tourney at 10-10, and dominated Northeast Vocational Tech to march to a 77-61 win. However, the Raiders' dream season ended with a 66-44 loss to Division 3 superpower Bishop Fenwick in the Raiders' second tourney game.

Coach Harrington called the three captains the stepping stones for this year's success and for years to come. Middlesex League Honors were awarded to Mark Raymond, all-league and all-star, and Tim Fitzgerald, all-star.
"Mud" skis for a rebound.

Tri-Captains Allegro, Raymond, and Fitzerald.

League All-Star Raymond aims for the hoop.
The Basketball Cheerleading Squad showed a lot of support for the Boy’s Basketball Team, as they marched all the way to the state tournament. Senior captains Jenifer Peschier and Krissy DiMascio provided a strong foundation for the young team.

The loss of the five strong and enthusiastic seniors will surely have an impact on next year’s team. However, the team is confident that five new girls will be able to step into the empty spots and help the team improve on this year’s success.

Those returning next year will be sure to provide an excellent foundation for the team and will look to the upcoming seniors for leadership and continued enthusiasm and spirit to help the boys to another tournament run.
Dulcie Hays shows her spirit.

Co-Captain Krissy DiMascio leads the team in a cheer.

"Whoosh!"

Captains Hayes, DiMascio, Cotoni, and Peschier with Coach.
The 3-17 record that the Raider girls compiled during the season does not serve the team justice. Even though they had difficulty finding wins, the team showed a lot of pride, determination, and moments of greatness throughout the season.

Each game was a competitive one, most of which were decided in the final few minutes of the game. The small but determined varsity team surprised all of the strong Middlesex League teams with their skill and ability to stay in games despite their lack of depth.

Seniors Julie Fantasia and Carolyn Ernst provided the team with solid leadership and a strong work ethic. Both were proud to be part of the rebuilding of the Girls’ Basketball program under Head Coach Joanie Kelly and look forward to the success that the team will surely achieve in the future.

The Middlesex League awarded Senior Julie Fantasia and Sophomore Renee Gaudette with all-star honors.
Captain Julie Fantasia squares to the hoop.

Fantasia duo prevents Lexington from scoring!

Julie Fantasia lines up an open shot.

Raiders look for offensive board.

Coach Kelly drives home a point during a time out.
In Coach Dean Sacca’s second season at the helm of the Raider Hockey Program, the team experienced incredible improvement over last season. The team not only experienced increased success, but the general team spirit of the team was better. A more dedicated team took the ice with a higher attitude and greater team pride. This spirit brought the team together and they won their first game in two years when they toppled Brookline High. The team followed that up with their first Middlesex League victory in three years against Melrose High School.

Team honors also bring along individual honors. Senior Michael Demore was named a Middlesex League All-Star, a well deserved honor due to his team leadership on and off the ice. The graduating seniors will always look back on the 1996-1997 season as one where the team overcame obstacles of numbers and stiff competition across the league. They brought their coach his first victories in his career and also gave themselves many reasons to recall their year with pride and respect.
Captains Curran, Ganno, and Demore with Coach Sacca.

Co-Captain Mike Demore shows off on the ice.

Teamwork keeps puck out of Watertown net.

Curran heads to block opposing shot.

Raiders get psyched up before big game.
For the first time since the 1970's, WHS fielded a Girl's Ice Hockey team under the guidance of Coach Eileen Donahue. Although the team was technically considered a "club sport", the team certainly worked as hard any other group. Early morning practices before school was a challenge in itself, as getting out of bed in the middle of December is not the most enjoyable task. After barely two weeks of morning practices Watertown had its first scrimmage against Belmont. As the season went on there was definite progress, especially when we later played Belmont at the end of the season. The team itself could finally see the improvement that many onlookers had pointed out. The team could not have made these strides without Mark Messina's coaching assistance and the avid support of Steve DiBenedetti.

60 Girls Ice Hockey
Deane looks for the puck.

Watertown and Belmont battle for position.

Zimmerman watches the Raiders battle.

Raiders listen for vital instructions.

Catherine Rogers fights for the puck.

Girls Ice Hockey 61
The Raider Track team, suffering from tough losses to graduation, accomplished their goals of having fun and enjoying their last season under Coach Smith. Though winless through the grueling Middleses League campaign, the Raiders worked hard each day in the gym and enjoyed every bus ride to Reading and Lexington in order to compete. Each member of this team enjoyed participating in the winter season because they were able to attempt a host of new events and battle some of the best athletes in the state. Though the difficult season did not produce any team victories, the Raiders boasted personal bests in nearly every event.

After many years at the helm of the team, Coach Smith announced he would be handing over the stopwatch to a new person next year. As the last meet of the season came to a close, Coach Smith joined the departing seniors in remembering the good times and bad throughout their track careers at Watertown High School. It was clear to all that day that the fun times and fast times would not soon be forgotten by all involved with the WHS team.
Captains DaRosa, Madden, and Deal with Coach Smith.

Jim Furbush sprints another 300 meters.

The "Real Deal" heaves the shot put.

Matt Madden edges out Woburn opponent.

Mark Mazzoc performs a Western Roll at 5'2".
The Girls Indoor Track team was unable to produce a win during their season, but the spirit and determination of the team thrived throughout the winter. The team was able to overcome many difficulties to achieve the beginning of a solid team that looks to grow and improve in years to come.

Each individual brought something special that helped carry the team through the season. The program will be left with a void produced by the departure of five talented seniors, but the team looks to continue its improvement with the return of a core of skilled underclassmen.
Caroline Marshall looks to pass her opponent.

Rebecca Missal clears the bar.

Jen Kelly "Shakes, Bakes, and Elevates".

The shot put squad.

Raider Seniors.
The 1997 Baseball season started off with high expectations as a large contingent of Seniors took to the field for a very veteran squad. The team was experienced, skilled, and ready to make noise throughout their Middlesex League campaign. These high spirits translated into a win in the very first contest of the season and an overall record of 5-15. The team kept up intense fan interest as they attempted unsuccessfully to make the State Tournament. Captain Steve Vogel recalls that the season was the “last chance to do something - to make something of it.”

Under the leadership of Coach Peter Centola, the team improved immensely over the previous squad both in their record as well as in their attitude and team spirit. The team remained close as they won games, and lost many very close ones. The season ended in a stunning and difficult loss to Belmont after five extra innings. This game was symptomatic of the season, as the very talented Raider squad took the field but luck was not on their side.
Scott Dunlop scores a crucial run.

Coach Centola shows Keith Langione his skills!

Steve Vogel pitches at Victory.

Charlie Garabedian at the plate.

Raider Seniors
The softball team's hard work and effort finally paid off this season. The 47 game losing streak was broken by a 4-2 victory over Stoneham. Two more victories were soon to come, including the season ending game against Belmont with a score of 8-7. In that game senior captain Jamie Callinan ended her high school career going 3-4, with 2 home runs and 4 RBI's. Other senior included Carolyn Ernst, who helped tremendously with her base speed, Laura Viklund, who came through with some outstanding catches in center field, and captain Theresa Farrell, who had some clutch hits. Jamie Callinan, Kathy Barry, and Teresa Fenichel were selected to represent Watertown in the Middlesex League All-Star game, and will play the infield at third base, second base, and shortstop respectively.
Laura Viklund in her defensive seance.

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Softball 69

Captain Callinan keeps up infield spirits.

Theresa stretches to reach first base.

Theresa Fenichel winds up and delivers.

Laura Viklund in her defensive stance.

Coach Johnson with Captains Farrell, Callinan, and Barry.
The tennis team was lead by Coach Dan Cedrone and the only Senior, Charlie Antione. Although they consider the season one of rebuilding, the team worked together and fought each and every team. Peter Panza and Gabe Peterson were victorious in a doubles match and Sean Cody won a singles match. Many other times throughout the season, victory was within reach but slipped away during the waning moments of a match.

The team’s achieved their most important goal of becoming better players and growing more skilled as tennis players. The year of practice and competition will bode well for the relatively large number of returning underclassmen and the growth this year will hopefully translate into increased and sustained success in the 1998 season. The team will miss the graduation loss of Captain Charlie Antione, but will use the things learned during the ’97 season to continue the growth of the program in the following years.
Members of the Tennis team at Athletic Banquet.

Coach Dan Cedrone

Dan Holcomb stays ready for return.

Rouben follows through on his serve.
The first order of business when new coaches Marianne Cameron and Laura McGovern took the helm of the Girl’s Tennis was to shovel the snow off of the courts at Victory Field. Once the clay was clear, the team began a process of growth and improvement that lasted for the entire season. From the very first day, the team continued to work to improve their skills and team spirit. Together they reached personal goals of a two mile run, proving that they could keep up with the tough competition in the League. The team even gathered for a pasta dinner to grow closer together and prepare for competition as a team.

Captains Krissey DiMascio and Sylvie Potookian led the team and were strongly supported by Seniors Kara Grossman, Mary Souboskos, and Anna Verenchikova. All five seniors improved as the season progressed and look back on the season as successful both as a program and an individual. Though the season was winless, the real success was in the spirit and pride that was brought to each contest and the improvement made during the season.
Captains Krisay DiMascio and Sylvie Petookian

Rose Gongo lunges to return serve.

Melissa Walsh takes her defensive stance.

Kara Concession takes warmup volleys.

Jessica Colangelo reaches for the ball.
A large number of boys came out for the first season under new Coaches Larry Sullivan and Assistant Scott Guisti. The excitement level was very high as so many dedicated team members arrived at Victory Field for practice each day and competed hard in each and every meet. As a young team, the coaching staff moved people around and gave each member of the team the opportunity to discover what track and field was about.

Going up against many track powerhouses was not easy. Each meet, no matter what the odds of victory were, however, was attacked with pride and determination. Also, a season full of chilly, windy, and rainy days did not stop the Raiders either. The large number of Raider Seniors led the way, including Class D Discus Champion Kevin DaRosa and most improved runner Zaher Bazzi. When the season closed, the team’s winless record did not adequately measure the improvements and growth gained during the season. If the gains experienced in the 1997 season continue, their is a bright future for Raider track.
Senior Mike Demore competes in the long jump.

John Deal throws the shot put at Victory.

Danny LeBlanc in the one mile pack.

Seniors Madden, Harris, Deal, Demore, DaRosa, Bazzi, and LeBlanc.

11:37 Two Miler, Zahir Bazzi.
The 1997 Girls Track and Field season welcomed a new Assistant to Coach Charlie Smith when Betsy Davenport grabbed a stopwatch and arrived at Victory everyday to help coach the team. With her arrival came many changes in how the girls prepared for their Middlesex League campaign. New drills, warmups, and strength programs were instituted as the girls worked harder than ever to ready themselves for the season. More girls attempted new field events this year than ever before, and long jumpers worked diligently in the pit under Coach Davenport’s watchful eye.

While Coach Davenport was working on one side of the field, Coach Smith worked hard with the sprinters and hurdlers, and once again put together a hard working relay team to contend with the finest in the Middlesex League. Coach Smith’s team will lose only two seniors to graduation this year, but they are two seniors who have made incredible strides during their four years. Distance runner Rebecca Missal led and won many races in the one and two mile events and Javelin thrower Julie Fantasia won a medal in the Class D meet.

1ST: Julie McCaffrey, Jennie Rossi, Kendra Montville, Coach Charlie Smith, Jill Fantasia, Julie Fantasia, Jen Merullo, Emily Power. 2ND: Lily Medville, Sarah Jackson, Amy Lewis, Nicole Strickland, Raquel Allen, Julie Castanino, Lisa Fanjoy. 3RD: Assistant Coach Betsy Davenport, Cheryl Mattson, Lauren Coachlin, TerrsDiCiccio, Debbie Psychogios, Sarah Coughlin.
Julie Fantasia learns the discus.

Emily Power shows her form in the 300 hurdles.

Sarah Coughlin sets up to sprint the 100 meter dash.

Coach Davenport, Captain Julie Fantasia, Coach Smith.
Banquets
FALL
It's All About...

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84 Clubs
IDS CLUB


INTERNATIONAL CLUB


TRI-HI-Y

CHORUS

GAY/STRAIGHT ALLIANCE
FRONT ROW: Kim Thai, Gabe Peterson, Rebecca Neal. BACK ROW: Jen Kelly, Amanda Wojick, Kellie Vachon, Rebecca Musial, Emily McMullin, Lacie Aby.

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STUDENT LEADERS
IRISH CLUB

ITALIAN CLUB
FRONT ROW: Gina Napolitano, Jessica Colangelo, Giovanna Piana, Kara Conantoni. BACK ROW: Mr. Tony Mazzuocchi (Advisor), Lydia D'Amore, Michelle Siracusa, Jennifer Schifino, Lisa Taverna, Alana Turturri, Joanna Giraldo, Lisa Pansy.

YEARBOOK

PEER MEDIATORS
FRONT ROW: Matt Madden, John Deal, Kyle Reilly, Maja Young, Jen Peacher, Joel Harris, Oscar Valente. 2ND ROW: Mr. Strowza, XXXXXXX, Cindy DiMaggio, Kristen Dwell, Emily Power, Lisa Romano, Rebecca Stoy. 3RD ROW: Kamel Khanizer, Nick Portno, Stephanie Rehan, Dave Grever, Julie Leighton, Gus Joseph. 4TH ROW: Minh Bui, Vicky Mosquera, Joel Breakstone, Brian Madden, Sean Berfield, Matt Balzer.
International Day
Chorus and Band

It’s All About...
Guys and Dolls
Winter Musical
It's All About...

PARTICIPATION
Halloween Dance
STUDENT PARTICIPANTS:

- Adam Goodridge
- Anna Tufts
- Andy Naudo
- Angela Contrera
- Anna Carbone
- Anne Vannier
- Annette Mehl
- Anthony Sweeney
- Ben Reiner
- Brig Curran
- Carlos Carbone
- Cary Anderson
- Carolyn Ernst
- Charlie Ashmore
- Cherie Carbone
- Christopher O'Hara
- Cheri McDonald
- Claudia Johnson
- Colleen Miller
- Chris Massara
- Danny Henrikson
- Elizabeth Zimmerman
- Erin Andrade
- George Landas
- Geri Haplin
- Heather Shankisan
- Hamilton Ahn
- Hsing Tzou
- Israel Santi
- Justin Torres
- Jennifer Iaia
- Jennifer Scialabba
- Jeremy Col
- Jessica Colangelo
- Jeff Fantasia
- Jill Gans
- Jeanne Antunopoulos
- Joel Brearly
- Joel Harris
- John Goodnough
- Joel Fantasia
- Julia McCaffrey
- Karen Ronzulli
- Karen Breslin
- Kate Sheehan
- Kathy Chown
- Kendra Moore
- Kerri Optican
- Kevin Pflaum

104 Meredith Kamm Lobby
Memorial Project

Guided By: John Lindner & Joshua Winer

TO DREAM THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM, TO REACH THE UNREACHABLE STAR!  THE CLASS OF 1997

Meredith Kamm Lobby 105
NHS Induction


Treasurer, Caroline Marshall, Corresponding Secretary Lisa Taverna, President Matthew Madden, Recording Secretary Julie Fantasia, Vice President Carolyn Ernst.
Awards

AARP Award
Academic Excellence (Fresh)
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American Teachers of French Awards
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Amherst Book Award
Anthony Oula Memorial Scholarship
Anthony J. Ferrera Scholarship
Armenian Club Scholarship
Armenian Club Scholarship
Arsenal Mall Scholarship
Arsenal Mall Teen Board Scholarship
Art 2D Award
Art 3D Award
Balzer Drama Award
Barbara Flores Memorial Scholarship
Bentley College Book Award
Boston College Book Award
Chamber of Commerce (Barclay) Scholarship
Chamber of Commerce Award
Columbia Book Award
Corinna di Grassi (Sons of Italy/Scholarship)
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Cornell Book Award
Cunniff School PTO Scholarship
Dartmouth Book Award
Dr. Joseph J. Sakolski Scholarship

Students

Lynne McAffey
Bao Yeo
Ivan Petley
Jennifer Miller
Karina Lenman
Nour Ghazi
Rebecca Hayrapetian
Sean Cody
Wing Su
Alexander Gregoryev
Cristina Panza
Franco LaLoosie
Gina Napoleon
Kara Concesson
Ken Thau
Miriam Arstes
Rebecca Nest
David Overtti
Joanna Antonopoulos
Julie Cantarino
Kristen Elwell
Lisa Foyoyo
Matthew Balzer
Mehi Bus
Nargi Kandilian
Racquel Allen
Reena Steven
Teresa Trenchel
Cara Grossman
Jessica Menton
Andrew Allegro
James Turlaugh
Laura Wiklund
Tim Fitzgerald
Alexandre Reveau
Carolyn Ernst
Claudia Jamakozian
Leaicia Abij
Nicholas Rattuns
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Jennifer Marra
Changang Zheng
Natalie Menyk
Tamar Tedsyan
Alina Turtles
Joel Harris
Harut Ananyyan
Michelle Chu
Maya Young
Kyle Ralby
Keen Ong
Douglas Doo
Jessica Haffey
Rebecca Mossal
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MA Elks Scholarship: Steven Vogel
MA Elks Scholarship: Natalie Merik
MAFLA Excellence Award (Armenian): Carolyn Ernst
MAFLA Excellence Award (Ethiopian): Iman Sridharp
MAFLA Excellence Award (Spanish): Charles Antone
MAFLA Leadership Award: Cristina Panza
Major Mark Shiver Scholarship: John Deal
Margaret Baehnbridge Memorial Scholarship: Elizabeth Zimmerman
Mediation Certificates: Jennifer Pescher
Mediation Certificates: Joel Harris
Mediation Certificates: Kyle Kelly
Mediation Certificates: Mathew Muddin
Mediation Certificates: Maya Young
Mediation Certificates: Oscar Valente
Mediation Certificates: Kristina Brautigam
Mediation Certificates: Kevin Doliska
Most Improved Student Trophy (Alpha House): Zaker Bazz
Most Improved Student Trophy (Omega House): Keith Langone
National Merit Scholarship: Magg Le Coe
National School Vocal Award: Emily Gaddy
Norma Kandarian Book Award: Nicole Koushanian
Outstanding Achievement in Drama: Jennifer Harris
Outstanding Achievement in Math (10th): Joel Breakstone
Outstanding Achievement in Math (11th): Alexander Gregoryev
Outstanding Achievement in Math (12th): Francine LaLooses
Outstanding Achievement in Math (13th): Jennifer Schaffman
Outstanding Achievement in Math (14th): Katrina Lerman
Outstanding Achievement in Music: Natar Ghaz
Outstanding Achievement in Music Composition: John Leighton
Outstanding Student of Psychology: Elizabeth Zimmerman
Patrick B. Ford Memorial Award: Mark Raymond
Paul R. Simon Memorial Scholarship: Jessica Bowler
Paul R. Simon Memorial Scholarship: Oscar Valente
Peter Clough Memorial Scholarship: Jessica Haffey
President's Education Award: Aboud Ghaz
President's Education Award: Alex Khalanian
President's Education Award: Alex Mack
President's Education Award: Amy Lagoudakis
President's Education Award: Loretta Aloy
President's Education Award: Lena Kassardjian
President's Education Award: Lucy Meas
President's Education Award: Marco Elia
Princeton Plaque: Francine LaLooses
Principal's Leadership Award: Matthew Madden
PTU Council Scholarship: Cara Garber
PTU Council Scholarship: Mary Takoyan
PTU Council Scholarship: Sylvie Petusian
Rho Kappa Book Award: Jessica Colangelo
Remodeler Medal: Cristina Panza
Robert Heyman Scholarship: Natalie Merik
Robert Heyman Scholarship: Tamar Bedoyan
Robert Dupuis Scholarship: Julie Fantasia
Rockwell Institute of Technology Award: Alexander Gregoryev
Rotary Club - Dominic Trabucco Scholarship: Cara Garber
Rotary Club - Mark Boggs Scholarship: Kara Grossman
Rotary Club - Student Speaker Scholarship: Jessica Haffey
Rotary Club Scholarship: Kelli Yachon
Rotary Club Scholarship: Julie Fantasia
Rotary Youth Leadership Award: Brian Middlen
Rotary Youth Leadership Award: Emily Power

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Awards

Rotary Youth Leadership Award
Russell Sage Book Award
Science Award for Excellence (10th)
Science Award for Excellence (11th)
Science Award for Excellence (12th)
Senties Scholarship
Sgt. Thomas Cannan Scholarship
Smith College Book Award
Social Studies Citizenship Award (11th)
Social Studies Citizenship Award (11th)
Social Studies Achievement Award (10th)
Social Studies Achievement Award (11th)
Social Studies Achievement Award (12th)
Social Studies Achievement Award (3rd)
Social Studies Citizenship Award (10th)
Social Studies Citizenship Award (12th)
Social Studies Citizenship Award (14th)
Social Studies Citizenship Award (9th)
Social Studies Citizenship Award (9th)
Soft Touch Band Scholarship
Sons of Italy Scholarship
Sons of Italy Scholarship
Sons of Italy Scholarship
Thomas Blake Trophy Award
Thomas Dunn Scholarship
T.H.I.Y. Certificate
United Electric Controls Scholarship
University of Mass./Dartmouth Book Award
Watertown Art Association Award
Watertown High Alumni Award
Watertown Historical Society Award
Watertown Police Association Scholarship
Watertown Police Association Scholarship
Watertown Pop Warner Scholarship
Watertown Pop Warner Scholarship
Watertown Teachers Association Scholarship
Watertown Teachers Association Scholarship
Watertown Women's Club Award
Watertown Women's Club Scholarship
Watertown Women's Club Scholarship
Watertown Yacht Club Award
Westfield College Book Award
West Marshall School PTO Award
WHS Athletic Hall of Fame Scholarship
WHS Athletic Hall of Fame Scholarship
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WHS Athletic Hall of Fame Scholarship
WHS Student Award
WHS Student Award
William D. Corbet Scholarship
William Laughton Scholarship
William Powell Memorial Scholarship
William Powell Memorial Scholarship
Williams College Book Award
Woodward Editor Award
World Language Dictionary Award (French)
World Language Dictionary Award (Italian)
World Language Dictionary Award (Spanish)
World Languages - French Award
World Languages - Italian Award
World Languages - Spanish Award
World Youth Citizenship Award

Students

Ken Dun
Sharon Walsh
Nino Chagreishvili
Raoul Merchand
Gina Napoleone
Changqing Zheng
James Furush
Charles Antin
Legh Ann Seto
Argivan Matarangpour
Troy Beckett
Joel Breslau
Mimi Alves
Matthew Madden
Jennifer Miller
Nicole Covani
Raoul Merchand
John Jardnides
Kellie Vachon
Alma Derkohngarian
Sean Cady
John Laughton
Andrew Allegra
Jennifer Marr
Jennifer Scialfoni
Boys Basketball Team
Lisa Taverna
Senior Members
Changqing Zheng
JR Fantasia
John Deal
Zarah Bazz
Matthew Madden
Elana Parco
James Ackerley
Jennifer Pechier
John Deal
Kristina DiNazzio
Stephane Cooper
Christina Connolly
Kellie Vachon
Anthony Suborne
Laura Kneseman
Theresa Farrell
John Deal
Julie Fantasia
Karen Dallas
Kyle Rolly
Daniel Leffland
Gayathry Abraham
Caroline Marshall
Elizabeth Zimmerman
Mark Raymond
Tom Fitzgerald
Kara Concecon
Sylvie Potsokian
Rosa Gangio
Gita Napoleone
Erica Heffernan
Jennifer Scialfoni
Ivana Giraldo
Maggie Cox
Gayathry Abraham
Kara Conconon

Awards Nite 113
Junior Prom
Hyatt Regency
April 26, 1996
The Senior Class of Waterworks High School requests the pleasure of your company at the Senior Prom on Wednesday, June Fourth, nineteen hundred ninety-seven at six o'clock in the evening. Marriott Long Wharf, Boston.
"We've Got Tonight"
Dr. Dias, Mrs. Huntington, members of the School Committee, teachers, guests, families, friends, and most importantly, the Class of 1997, good evening. Our class is a great class. Everybody knows it. Our headmaster knows it, and she really wants to be part of it, so she's decided she's graduating this year too. We're honored to have known her and to have learned from her example. We hope everyone she works with appreciates her as much as we do.

We're a class that is destined to do great things. But first we have to go through changes, some of which will be welcome, others of which will not. We may find it hard to function without our usual rituals, our little red books, our physics gates, our English journals, our bagels, our sports practices, our locker combinations, the familiar faces of our friends. But each day our potential for greatness grows; each day we climb a step higher toward the top, where we can stop and take a good long look around at what we're doing here.

All of life is a dare. It's not a little dare like we used to make when we were kids playing games. It's not a dare like "I dare you to run into the middle of Mt. Auburn Street flapping your arms screaming 'I'm a seagull!", but an all-important dare, frightening because so much depends upon it, but exciting for that same reason and because it can lead to so much. Life is a dare to continue to push yourself beyond your own expectations, to resist contentment with something less than what you truly wish for.

As we move on, as we grow into older versions of ourselves and our potential to do great things grows and changes, we face more dares each day. Sometimes they'll be subtle, perhaps barriers we create for ourselves, or small changes we have the power to make. Each time we decide to take on a challenge we put ourselves at risk. Think, if you can, all the way back to freshman year, when Mr. McGovern used to tell us that high school was one of the greatest times of our lives, and that once it was over we would miss it. I didn't really believe him then, but I do now. But I also know that although we have no choice but to change permanently now, we also remain partly the same. All of life changes too, but still stays as it always has been. We will find new patterns to slip-into, new rituals, new places in which to exist, new ways of being comfortable, and yet we will always carry something from our years in Watertown, a combination of the influences of everyone who has touched us and helped to mold us here.

So as we leave this place that has been at times our stomping ground, our battlefield, our safe haven, our fortress, our backyard, our challenge, our enemy, our protector, and our source of wisdom, as we take with us memories of joy, sorrow and triumph, we have to remember what we're looking for and what we're looking for and what we're trying to do. We have to make full sense of what we've learned here. Never be content with your situation; continue to work to improve it until you have exactly what you want. Dare to test yourself. Dare to dream. Dare to try something you don't think you can do. Dare to be what you've always wanted to do. Dare to find things out about yourself you never knew you could know. Dare to be better that you are. And if you lose a little along the way, it will be nothing compared to all you've gained. Good Luck.
Dr. Dias, Mrs. Huntington, members of the School Committee, teachers, guests, families, friends, and the Class of 1997, Good Evening.

5-2. This was the score as the Yankees outran and outplayed the Red Sox under the watchful eyes of two rows of Watertown High School seniors last Monday night. Many WHS students know this feeling, especially those of us who play in the highly competitive Middlesex League. Although our school may be smaller than every other in the league, our players have just as much desire to compete and to do well. These feelings are not confined to the realm of athletics. One can feel outplayed in academics as well, feeling that you gave your best shot but just couldn’t come through in the end, feeling overwhelmed with too much to do, and feeling overall exhausted. However, whether it be on the playing field or in the classroom, Watertown students should be proud of their drive and motivation.

The class of 1997 exemplifies this drive and motivation in just about everything we do. In fact, we are just so enthusiastic and motivated that when we leave a school in the Watertown Public School System, the principal seems to need to leave his or her position after dealing with us. After some of us left the Lowell School, a new principal took over, the principal of the Middle School retired after dealing with us for three years. And now it seems we are so enthusiastic that Mrs. Huntington has to leave Watertown in order to catch her breath after spending four years with us. Thank you for a great four years Mrs. Huntington.

Since kindergarten, we have been placed in the hands of many teachers in a variety of different subjects, and in some way, each teacher has changed our lives. Some, like Mr. Clough, we will never forget, for they affected our lives and our way of thinking, both inside and outside of the classroom. We have been changed by WHS but, in turn, WHS has been changed by us. The Class of 1997 has left a permanent fingerprint on the hallways, classrooms, students and faculty of Watertown High School.

As we sit here today, graduating from high school, images and memories are racing through our heads as we prepare to go our separate ways. Images of football games, pig dissection, physics gates, senior thesis papers, and many others run fresh through our minds, as if they all happened just yesterday; images made even more vivid by the emotions of this day. Though we will soon all take different paths towards our future, we will always have one tie back home, knowing that we were all members of this wonderful Class of 1997 at Watertown High School.

Graduating from high school is like hitting a single up the middle. It is an accomplishment achieved through hard work and patience. As we proceed from here, some pitches will be close and some will be wide. We will have to learn not to swing at the bad pitches and to wait for the good ones. If we’re patient at the plate, the perfect pitch will come, and we will blast it out of the park.

We thank you, parents and teachers, and good luck class of 1997.
"As a dedicated teacher of art, both two and three dimensional, you inspire your students to produce beautiful works of art, many of which win awards. Your energy, enthusiasm and dynamic teaching have sparked wonderful expressions of your students' talents. In addition, you have reached out to other teachers and promoted several interdisciplinary units combining, among other examples, math and art. You are a believer in hands on education and creative and critical thinking. You draw on your students own knowledge of history to help them understand art history and its relevance to world events.

You are an excellent role model of our core values. You believe in, and support, respect for differences. As you teach, you help students see and appreciate works of art from all over the world. As an artist you continue to model lifelong learning by taking courses and exhibiting your work in your classroom and art galleries.

Your commitment to the improvement of the whole school has been demonstrated by your three years of service on the School Council. You have spent many evening helping to shape the goals for the school and to such specifics as crafting an attendance policy. As a faculty representative on the council, you have always sought to bring the perspective of your constituents to the discussion while actively listening to other points of view.

The displays of student work on the walls and in the showcases around school, which you spend many hours setting up, delight us all and keep us informed of the concepts your students are learning and demonstrating. In particular this year, your genuinely collaborative work with our artist in residence has resulted in over one hundred students being involved in the creation of a wonderful work of art in the lobby dedicated to friendship, memory, and time which will enhance our whole school for many years.

John Lindner, creative artist and dedicated teacher, we thank you and salute you as Teacher of the Year for helping us all to understand more completely that 'Art is Basic'."

Honored Teachers

Mary Callahan
Marion Maione
Mariann Pannesi
Joseph Guden
Fred Grandenetti
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CLASS OF '97

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June 6-7, 1997
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Tn-Hi-Y 3, 4
Future Plans: Suffield University - ophthalmology

James Ackerson
68 Lowell Avenue
924-9617

Nectarios Akoumanakis
100 Putnam Street
926-8940

Andrew Allegro
"Double A"
79 Bayson Street
924-3605
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4(c)
Football 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Co-President 4

Andrzej Basko
"Z"
143 Galen Street
924-4150
Class Co-President 4

Kristina Beattie
"Tina"
45 Lowell Road
923-9880
National Honor Society 4
Executive Committee 1, 2
Student Council 3
Student Leaders 2
Concert Band 1, 2
Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4
"The most important thing in life is to live your life for something more important than your life."
Future Plans: University of Massachusetts/Amherst

Nicholas Anastasiades
235 Arsenal Street
926-0761

Charles Antoine
"Charlie"
10 Oliver Road
923-6558
Tennis 2, 3, 4
International Club 3, 4
"Don't try too hard to plan and be sure of nothing, you can't lead fate but only be it's partner."
Future Plans: Brandeis University

Joshua Barret
195 Lexington Street
924-4805

Suzanne Barry
"Barry", "Sue"
51 Martica Road
924-3672
Basketball Cheering 1, 2, 3
Football Cheering 2, 3, 4(c)
Dance Theater 2, 3
Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4
Future Plans: Esthetician School

Hrach Basmajian
34 Winsor Avenue
924-3918

Zahir Bazzi
"Z"
143 Galen Street
924-4150
Class Co-President 4

Kris Dixton
"Tina"
45 Lowell Road
923-9880
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"The most important thing in life is to live your life for something more important than your life."
Future Plans: Boston College

Tamar Bedoyan
"Tumor"
35 Irma Avenue
924-3624
Armenian Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 1, 2
Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4
Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4
Prom Committee 3
Executive Committee 4
"Get a grip girls 'cause friends are forever, guys just come and go, Believe me I should know.
Future Plans: Northeastern University

Rino Borelli
185 Waverly Avenue
924-3254

Frances Botaro
"Franny"
34 Quirk Street

Jessica Bowler
101 Rustland Street
924-6695
"There's no basement in the Alamo"
Future Plans: Vermont Technical School

Holly Boyajian
"Puff", "Holly-Bolly"
121 Winsor Avenue
926-2086

Lauren Burns
"LB"
9 Bay Street
926-4426
Basketball 1, 2
Outdoor Track 1, 2
Class Secretary 2, 3, 4
Biology Club 3
Tri-Hi-Y 3
Drama 3
Task Force 4
"I know I can't stay, but so I'll say that all the roads lead to where you are"
Future Plans: University of Wisconsin/Madison

Jean C. Illey
16 Frenn Street
924-7971

Jamie Callinan
"Jaimieca", "James", "#12"
256 Common Street
923-4658
Softball 1, 2, 3, 4(c)
Soccer 2, 3
Basketball 1, 2, 3
Indoor Track 4
Field Hockey 1
Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4
Student Council 1, 2
Concert Band 1, 2
Tri-Hi-Y 3
"It is better to look ahead and prepare than to look back and regret."
Future Plans: University of Massachusetts/Lowell

Margaret Cote
"Maggie", "Mex"
41 Oak Street
926-9466
Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4(c)
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Student Council 3, 4
Student Leaders 4
Outdoor Track 1, 2
Yearbook Staff 4
National Honor Society 3, 4
Biology Club 3, 4
IDS 1, 2, 3, 4
Future Plans: Harvard University
Directory

Theresa Farrell
"Tree", "Farrell"
67 Union Street
924-1721

Field Hockey 1
Soccer 2,3,4
Basketball 1,2
Softball 1,2,3,4
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4
Irish Club 4
"Friends are forever!"
Future Plans: Russell Sage College

Timothy Fitzgerald
"Fitz"
24 Beacon Park
923-1983
Basketball 1,2,3,4
Football 1
Tri-Hi-Y 4
Irish Club 4
"Six down and shut up"
Future Plans: Fuchburg State

Hans Christian Flestrop
"Hanny Boy"
35 Cleveland Road
926-5107
Basketball 1,2,3,4
"Be all you can be"

James Furbush
"Jim"
64 Parker Street
926-5281
Basketball 1,2,3,4
Cross-country 3,4
Indoor Track 3,4
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4 (Parliamentarian)
Executive Committee 1,4
"The future is uncertain and the end is always near ... ride the snake" — Jim Morrison
Future Plans: Bentley College

Jennifer Gannet
51 Boyd Street
926-1284

Freda Gasko
920 Belmont Street
924-6757
Drama Club 1,2,3,4 (Board)
Student Council 1,4 (Pres.)
IDS 1,2,3,4
Human Rights 1
Tri-Hi-Y 4
Chorus 1,2,3,4
Raider Times 4
"I'll meet you in Montreal and we'll party tonight!"
Future Plans: Franklin Pierce

Carol Garabedian
"Chuck"
175 Lovell Road
924-4478
Basketball 1,2
Baseball 1,2
Golf 3,4
Irish Club 4
"Come!"
Future Plans: Salem State College

Sara Garabedian
11 Porter Street
924-1089
Tri-Hi-Y 4
Basketball Cheerleading 4
"Thanks for a fun time. It was a blast. See you next year. Good luck to the seniors ’97 rules!"
Future Plans: Arizona College

Cork Garber
"Ooppe"
23 Prout Street
924-5741
Basketball 1,2
Outdoor Track 1,2
Cross-Country 2
Soccer 3,4
Yearbook Staff 4
Executive Committee 4
Student Leaders 4
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4
National Honor Society 3,4
Irish Club 4
"You never leave the places you love. Part of them you take with you, part of you is left behind."
Future Plans: Bentley College

Jennifer Gannet
51 Boyd Street
926-1284

Kenneth Gerson
24 Whiting Avenue #57
926-1898
Tennis 1,2,3
Field Hockey 1,2
Indoor Track 3,4
Drums 1,2,3
Concert Band 3,4
Raider Times 3,4
IDS 1,2,3,4
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4
Future Plans: Brandeis University

Matthew Hadley
55 Robert Ford Road
926-6194

Ricardo Giron
51 Carey Avenue
924-4698

Paul Goodrow
9118 Melody Ave
926-9873

Linda Gonzales
"Speedy"
42 Cypress Street
924-5179
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4
Yearbook 4
N185, 4
Cum Laude 4
Prom Committee 5
"I have learned how since to view people as they are and not as I should wish them to be." — Catherine II of Russia
Future Plans: Lesley College

Julie Graffy
24 Clevedon Street
926-7914
Tennis 3
International Club 4
Armenian Club 4
Future Plans: Northwestern University

Kate Grimes
24 Whiting Avenue #57
926-1898
Tennis 1,2,3
Field Hockey 1,2
Indoor Track 3,4
Drums 1,2,3
Concert Band 3,4
Raider Times 3,4
IDS 1,2,3,4
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4
Future Plans: Brandeis University

Jessica Hatley
"Haffey"
87 Union Street
926-8869
Soccer 1,2,3,4
Softball 1,2
Outdoor Track 3
Class Vice-President 2,3,4
IDS 1,2,3,4
Human Rights Club 2,3,4
Student Leaders 2,3,4
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4 (Pres.)
Irish Club 4
"Life is either a daring adventure or nothing at all!"
Future Plans: Assumption College

Donna Harmon
71 Nyack Street

Joel Harris
"Hick"
100 Marshall Street
923-3922
Football 1,2,3,4
Basketball 1,2
Outdoor Track 1,2,4
Tri-Hi-Y 3,4
Class President 2,3
Peer Mediator 2,3,4
IDS 4
Drama 2,3,4
"Let your life speak louder than words."
Future Plans: University of Massachusetts/Amherst

Sok H Hong
200 Warren Street
926-1318

Christine Huc
17 Madison Avenue
926-5004
IDS 2,3,4
"Stop to smell the flowers and look at the stars. You will find peace in them."
Future Plans: Arizona State

Michelle Hyde
3 Derby Road

Erza Ilyenbeyg
63 Elm Avenue

Directory

John Jordanidis
215 Arsenal Street
924-2680

Nerri Jaggi
10 Riverside Avenue 3-3

“Lynnafer”

Jazmine
3-4

926-3829

Future Plans: University of Massachusetts - Boston

Keith Langione
924-6528

“When the red light is on, it means they’re out.”

Future Plans: Bartending School

Alexis Katsamanis
“Hideco”

358 Charles River Road
924-1572

Mount Bike Club 4

Biolo gy Club 4

Tri-Hi-Y 3,4

Future Plans: Assumption College

Vassilis Kebabjian

151 Longdon Avenue
924-8043

Soccer 1,2,3,4 (C)

Basketball 1,2,3

Armenian Club 1,2,3,4 (VP)

“A live life is its fullest. Always remember the good, never think of the bad.”

Future Plans: To be successful.

Matthew Madden

“Matt”, “Tomato”

42 Quirk Street
926-2199

Future Plans: University of Virginia

Lisa Maher

164 Walnut Street #2
923-1297

Nicholas Maher

“Nick”

60 Stuart Street
924-3727

Future Plans: Newbury College

Jennifer Marra

“Jerra”, “Din”

7 Jefferson Avenue
924-8858

Drama 1,2,3,4

Tri-Hi-Y 3,4

“The end? Can’t we go back to page one and start all over?” - Winnie the Pooh

Future Plans: Northeastern University

Caroline Marshall

“CAM”

6 Barbara Terrace
924-8810

Soccer 1,2

Indoor Track 1,2,3,4

Outdoor Track 1,2,3

Tri-Hi-Y 3,4

Future Plans: University of Prince Edward Island, Canada

Julie Martocchio

12 Sexton Street
491-2413

Tri-Hi-Y 3,4

Future Plans: Northeastern University

Mark Mazzeo

65 Prospect Street

Future Plans: St. Anselm College

Christopher McDonough

27 Sycamore Street
489-1591

Sunny McDonough

23 Irwin Avenue
926-1261

Christine McGurl - “Tina”

137 Boyiston Street
924-8221

Basketball 1,2

Softball 1,2

Italian Club 1

Future Plans: Suffolk University

Lynne McNally - “Lynnafder”, “Pinno”

54 Partridge Street
923-6462

Field Hockey 1,2,3

Softball 1,2

Student Council 1,2,3,4

Irish Club 4

Future Plans: University of Prince Edward Island, Canada

Jessica Menton - “Ug”, “Jasmine”

100 King Street
924-1495

Field Hockey 1,2,3

Basketball 1

Softball 1,2

Italian Club 1,2

Irish Club 4

“Eat, drink, and be merry.”

Future Plans: St. Anselm College

Colleen MacKay

20 Wilson Avenue
926-7537

Chorus 1,2,3

“Reach for that star that you want to grab hold of. Hold on tight, so it won’t fly away, and make that one wish you grant upon that star come true.”

Future Plans: Massachusetts Bay Community College

John Lighton

92 Bradford Road
926-3597

Robert Tovias

“Robbie”

71 Philip Darch Road
924-4721

Future Plans: University of Massachusetts - Boston

Lisa Maher

164 Walnut Street #2
923-1297

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|                    | Pep Band 2                           | "Life is nothing like a box of chocolates."
|                    | Ivy Ong                              | 482 Main Street 926-7865 |
|                    | Eliana Panza                         | 74 Waltham Street 924-8657 |
|                    | Field Hockey 1.2                     |       |                                          |
|                    | Softball 1                           |       |                                          |
|                    | Drama 4                              |       |                                          |
|                    | Tri-Hi-Y 3,4                         |       |                                          |
|                    | National Honor Society 3,4           |       |                                          |
|                    | Italian Club 1,2,3                   |       |                                          |
|                    | Student Council 1                    |       |                                          |
|                    | Yearbook 4                           | "If you can imagine it, you can make it happen."
| Future Plans: Bentley College |                                  |       |                                          |
| Jason Mshabito     | 34 Spring Street                     | 923-5725 |
|                    | Cross-country 1,2,3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | Indoor Track 1,2,3,4                 |       |                                          |
|                    | Outdoor 1,2,3,4                      |       |                                          |
|                    | Concert Band                         |       |                                          |
|                    | Jazz Band                            |       |                                          |
|                    | Gay Straight Alliance                |       |                                          |
|                    | "My consciousness has deteriorated into an almost totally silent insanity."
| Future Plans: University of Virginia |                                  |       |                                          |
| Rebecca Missal     | "Boca"                               | 108 Robbins Road 926-0061 |
|                    | Cross-country 1,2,3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | Indoor Track 1,2,3,4                 |       |                                          |
|                    | Outdoor 1,2,3,4                      |       |                                          |
|                    | Concert Band                         |       |                                          |
|                    | Cross-country 1,2,3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | Indoor Track 1,2,3,4                 |       |                                          |
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|                    | Concert Band                         |       |                                          |
| Future Plans: Bentley College |                                  |       |                                          |
| Vicente Narayro    | 22 Quimby Street                     | 926-4089 |
|                    | Cross-country 1,2,3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | Indoor Track 1,2,3,4                 |       |                                          |
|                    | Outdoor 1,2,3,4                      |       |                                          |
|                    | Concert Band                         |       |                                          |
|                    | Matthew Parkhurst                    | 83 Standish Road 924-2008 |
|                    | Cross-country 3                      |       |                                          |
|                    | Drama 1,2,3,4                        |       |                                          |
|                    | Band 1                               |       |                                          |
|                    | Raider Times 3                       |       |                                          |
|                    | Tri-Hi-Y 3,4                         |       |                                          |
|                    | Human Rights Club 4                  |       |                                          |
|                    | Peer Leadership 2                    | "Voix" |
|                    | "Always be a little kinder than necessary." |
| Future Plans: University of Vermont |                                  |       |                                          |
| Andy Nasto         | 66 Purnam Street                     | 923-6301 |
|                    | Cross-country 1,2,3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | Indoor Track 1,2,3,4                 |       |                                          |
|                    | Outdoor 1,2,3,4                      |       |                                          |
|                    | Concert Band                         |       |                                          |
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|                    | Indoor Track 1,2,3,4                 |       |                                          |
|                    | Outdoor 1,2,3,4                      |       |                                          |
|                    | Concert Band                         |       |                                          |
| Future Plans: Pennsylvania State |                                  |       |                                          |
| Jennifer Petroglia | 77A Melody Avenue                    |       |                                          |
| Andrew Pisanielli  | 74 Belmont Street                    | 926-5690 |
| Sylvie Potokian    | "Lynn" "Sol"                         | 21 Boylston Street 924-5214 |
|                    | Armenion Club 1,2,3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | Student Leader 2,3                   |       |                                          |
|                    | Human Rights Club 3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | Word Painter 2,3,4                   |       |                                          |
|                    | Raider Times 2,4                     |       |                                          |
| Future Plans: Framingham State |                                  |       |                                          |
| Kerri Sands        | "Sandy"                              | 33 Parridge Street 924-2850 |
|                    | Softball 1,2                         |       |                                          |
|                    | Basketball 1,2                       |       |                                          |
|                    | Field Hockey 1,2,3,4                 |       |                                          |
|                    | Tri-Hi-Y 3,4                         |       |                                          |
| Future Plans: Northeastern University, Nursing |    |       |                                          |
| Michelle Santucci  | "TUC"                                | 3 Melville Terrace 924-0552 |
|                    | Hockey Cheerleading                  |       |                                          |
|                    | Basketball Cheerleading              |       |                                          |
|                    | Italian Club                         |       |                                          |
|                    | "All about being mad crazy and gettin mad retarded."
| Future Plans: Westminster College |                                  |       |                                          |
| Jennifer Scamin    | 14 Pine Street                       | 924-8859 |
| Future Plans: University of Virginia |                                  |       |                                          |
| Kenneth Searbst    | 216 Highland Avenue                  |       |                                          |
| Jennifer Menkian   | 20 Ralph Piner Terrace #5A            | 926-1328 |
|                    | Armenian Club 1,2,3,4                |       |                                          |
|                    | International Club 1,2,3,4            |       |                                          |
|                    | Student Leaders 4                    |       |                                          |
|                    | In complete darkness we are all the same, it is only our knowledge and wisdom that separates us. |
| Future Plans: Katherine Gibbs College |                                  |       |                                          |
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Emily: 325,600 minutes. It’s easier to measure the time than the love. Mom and Dad.

HB;JM;LG;DL;GP;IG;GA- Thanks for all the memories. Zahra.

Jim: You make us proud! We wish you happiness and success in all you do. Love Mom, Dad & Lauren.

Disney, here she comes! Congrats, Jenn! Love Mom, Tony & Fella.

AM: We are so proud of you. Wishing you all the best the world has to offer. Love always Ma and Dad.

Natalie Merjik: Congratulations to a great daughter. We are proud of you and wish you happiness and success. Love Mom, Dad, Steve, & Raffe.

“The only wisdom we can hope to acquire is the wisdom of humility: humility is endless.” - T.S. Eliot

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Kara, May your future endeavors bring you as much success and happiness as you have brought to us. Love Mom, Dad & Diedre.

Kristin, Follow your dreams and may your future bring you much joy and success. Love you always, Mom.

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Julie- May your future hold great joy and success. We Love You. Mom, Dad, Paul, Jill, & Sport.

Kristin,

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5. *The Rock*
6. *The Nutty Professor*
7. *Ransom*
8. *101 Dalmatians*
9. *A Time to Kill*
10. *Phenomenon*

### Oscar's Pictures
- *The English Patient*
- *Fargo*
- *Jerry Maguire*
- *Secrets & Lies*
- *Shine*

### Whitney Houston meets her angel, Denzel Washington, in *The Preacher's Wife.*

### Lynn Redgrave and Best Actor Geoffrey Rush make music together in *Shine.*

### Eddie Murphy transforms himself in *The Nutty Professor*.

### Madonna's performance in *Evita* earns the actress a Golden Globe.


### Oscar's Actors
- Tom Cruise, *Jerry Maguire*
- Ralph Fiennes, *The English Patient*
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- Billy Bob Thornton, *Sling Blade*

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8. *101 Dalmatians*
9. *A Time to Kill*
10. *Phenomenon*

**Oscar's Pictures**

- *The English Patient*
- *Fargo*
- *Jerry Maguire*
- *Secrets & Lies*
- *Shine*

**Whitney Houston meets her angel, Denzel Washington, in *The Preacher's Wife.***

**Lynn Redgrave and Best Actor Geoffrey Rush make music together in *Shine.***

**Eddie Murphy transforms himself in *The Nutty Professor.***

**Madonna's performance in *Evita* earns the actress a Golden Globe.**


**Oscar's Actors**

- Tom Cruise, *Jerry Maguire*
- Ralph Fiennes, *The English Patient*
- Woody Harrelson, *The People vs. Larry Flynt*
- Geoffrey Rush, *Shine*
- Billy Bob Thornton, *Sling Blade*
Music

Single Success
1. Macarena, Los Del Rio
2. How Do U Want It, Tupac Shakur
3. Twisted, Keith Sweat
4. No Diggity, Blackstreet
5. You're Making Me High, Toni Braxton

Liam Gallagher leads Oasis to the top of the rock charts.

Garbage's Shirley Manson is the reigning queen of rock.

Blackstreet's No Diggity features Dr. Dre.

Seventeen-year-old Brandy makes it big with hit records TV's Moesha.

Britain's snappy Spice Girls move to the top of pop.

Grammy winner Toni Braxton takes Unbreak My Heart to No. 1 on Billboard charts.

"The Artist" (formerly known as Prince) releases the much anticipated Emancipation.

Alanis Morissette's Jagged Little Pill is 1996's No. 1-selling album.

Cyber-rock
Oasis (http://www.oasism.net)
Bush (http://users.aol.com/LittleThings/Bush/index.htm)
Smashing Pumpkins (http://www.muohio.edu/carmance/sp.html)

MTV Online

Music television is hot on-line and off.
At 14, LeAnn Rimes turns blue into gold and takes home two Grammy Awards.
The Arizona Wildcats take the final four by storm and defeat three No. 1 seeds to win the NCAA basketball championship.

Chicago Bulls' No. 23 Michael Jordan scores the highest point average in the NBA (30.1).

New York Yankees manager, Joe Torre, celebrates a World Series victory.

NASCAR gains new popularity at the track and on the information super-highway.

Kerri Strug leads the U.S. gymnastics team to a Gold Medal in the team competition and becomes a media sweetheart.

At 21 Tiger Woods is the youngest golfer to master the Masters.

Young Olympians
Amy Acuff, 20, high jump
Amanda Beard, 14, swimming
Brooke Bennett, 16, swimming
Beth Botsford, 15, swimming
Amanda Borden, 19, gymnastics
Dominique Moceanu, 14, gymnastics
Justin Huish, 21, archery
Kim Rhode, 17, double trap shooting
Tiffany Roberts, 19, soccer

Sports Illustrated labels Evander Holyfield "Giant Killer" after he pounds boxer Mike Tyson.

Olympic Oobooks and Aaaahs
17 days
10,750 athletes
197 countries
31 sports
Carl Lewis, long jump
Amy Van Dyken, swimming
Tom Dolan, swimming
Karach Kiraly and Kent Steffes, volleyball
U.S. Women's Softball Team
U.S. Women's Soccer Team
U.S. Women's Basketball Team
U.S. Women's Gymnastics Team
Elizabeth Dole becomes the bright spot in a lackluster campaign.

Civil verdict declares O.J. Simpson liable for deaths of Nicole Brown and Ron Goldman.

Bob Dole's final 96-hour marathon doesn't save his campaign.

Voters extend Bill Clinton's White House lease by four years.

Astronaut Shannon Lucid spends more time in space than any other American.

Life on Mars.
Racial unrest in St. Petersburg, Fla.
Welfare Reform.

Michael Jackson, King of Pop-

Campaign financing goes under scrutiny.
Students demonstrate against Serbian government.

The JonBenét Ramsey murder mystery garners headlines.

Heartbreak in Colorado
MURDER OF A LITTLE BEAUTY
The brutal killing of pageant princess JonBenét Ramsey shocks the nation and raises troubling questions.

JonBenét Ramsey

Leader-Marshall Applewhite and 38 Heaven’s Gate cult members take their lives in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., in April.

Tupac Shakur

Deaths
Morey Amsterdam, 80-ish, actor, The Dick Van Dyke Show
Ted Bessell, 57, actor, That Girl
Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, 68, Catholic Archbishop
John Chancellor, 68, news anchor
Margaux Hemingway, 41, model/actress
Notorious B.I.G., 24, gangsta rapper
Timothy Leary, 75, 60s activist
Greg Morris, 61, actor, TV’s Mission: Impossible
Jonathan Melvoin, 34, Smashing Pumpkins
Carl Sagan, 62, scientist and astronomy popularizer
Tupac Shakur, 25, gangsta rapper/actor
Tiny Tim, 70-ish, 60s icon
Deng Xiaoping, 92, Chinese Leader
Allen Ginsberg, 70, Beat poet
Ennis Cosby, 27, student, son of Bill Cosby
Willem de Kooning, 92, abstract artist

Gangsta rapper and movie star Tupac Shakur is murdered.

Successful sheep cloning fuels ethics debates.

A Denver jury returns a guilty verdict for Timothy McVeigh in the Oklahoma City bombing trial.

Atlanta’s Centennial Park bombing mars the Summer Olympics.
Slogan of the Year
"Show me the money!" from Jerry Maguire

Dance craze
The Macarena

Plymouth Neon ads pick-up on the nation's coffee craze.

IT'S TRUE.
DOMATURÉ-
THAN BOYS.

MAKE THE CONNECTION
TEN STEPS TO A BETTER BODY—
AND A BETTER LIFE

Bob Greene and Oprah Winfrey

Oprah Winfrey makes a
connection between the
best body and a bestseller.

Jonathan Larson's musical Rent plays
on Broadway.

Coca-Cola goes retro—
'70s.

Say what
"boo"—boyfriend/girlfriend
"butter"—smooth/nice
"digits"—phone numbers
"down low"
(also "D.L.")—quiet
"flavor"—style
"4-1-1"—information
"hella"—very
"house"—to defeat
"mad"—beautiful
"peeps"—friends/people

Amy Van Dyken's got milk
and promotes http://www.whymilk.com