

# RICHFIELD



CLASS OF  
**1951**



# FACULTY



SEATED—Harold C. Schweisberger, principal.

STANDING—John Kelley, industrial arts and science; Leon Friedman, history; Virginia Hejduk, Latin and English; Gordon Knapp, commercial and physical education; Mary Jane Bolin, home economics and physical education; Esther Burkett, elementary principal.

NOT SHOWN—Merle Frick, science. Part-time teachers—Evelyn Schmidt, music; Walter Morey, instrumental; Robert Hein, art; George Bayliss, drivers' training; Douglas Bonney, speech.

## BACCALAUREATE

Baccalaureate services took place in the Town Hall on May 20, at 8:00. The message was delivered by Rev. John Huston, pastor of the Richfield Federated Church.



### CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

### CLASS FLOWER

Blue and white carnation

### CLASS MOTTO

"Not at the top but still climbing."

## COMMENCEMENT

Wearing white formals and white tuxedos, the class of 1951 were graduated in the 66 annual Commencement at Richfield High School, May 25, at 8:00. Principal speaker was William C. Craig, professor of speech at Wooster College. The valedictory address was given by Sonia Anandel, and the salutatory speech was given by Donald Rand.

May 25, 1951



# Review of the Year

## SEPTEMBER, 1950

- 5 School starts
- 21 P. T. A. (Parents meet teachers)

## OCTOBER

- 14 ECHO Jamboree "A success." Mr. Bartholomew called square dances.
- 17 Band Contest at Copley
- 21 Sophomore Party
- 27 N.E.O.T.A. Students' vacation; teachers' convention
- 28 "Football" dance at Bath High School sponsored by combined Student Councils
- 30 Cheerleaders' tryouts in assembly
- 31 Halloween Party. "Fun vs. Vandalism" Contest; Betty Starcher places fourth in County

## NOVEMBER

- 4 Hi-Y Hayride
- 6 Open House for American Education Week
- 16 P.T.A. N.H.S. Installation
- 17 Junior Carnival
- 21 Brecksville beats Richfield in opening game
- 22 N. H.S. Thanksgiving Assembly
- 27-Dec. 3 "Snowbound" vacation

## DECEMBER

- 2 Richfield wins over Sharon, 48-38

- 5 Richfield victors over Mogadore, 38-29

- 12 Boston edged by Richfield, 54-51

- 15 Richfield beats Copley, 34-26

- 18 Y-Teen Area Meeting at Richfield

- 19 Richfield edges Northfield-Macedonia, 30-27

- 20 P. T. A. Christmas program "Littlest Angel" by Y-Teens

- "Christmas Story" by Glee Club

- 21 Senior Christmas Assembly

- "Night before Christmas" and "Night before New Year's Eve"

- 21 Christmas vacation begins

- 21 Hudson loses to Richfield, 57-44

- 25 Christmas

- 27 Y-Teen Christmas Dance, "Holiday Balle"

- 29 Richfield defeated by Alumni, 58-52

## JANUARY, 1951

- 2 School begins

- 2 Manchester edges Richfield, 56-54

- 6 Tallmadge won over Richfield, 44-40

- 9 Richfield walloped by Twinsburg, 51-30

- 12 Richfield loses to Clinton, 65-47

- 15 Ohio State Psychology Test for Seniors

- 18-19 Exams

- 18 P. T. A. Fathers' Night (Pie Social)

- 20 Rockets trounce Ravenna Twp., 59-37

- 22 Zoological Society Assembly

- 23 Stow defeated Richfield, 61-44

- 24 Seniors attend "Ice Follies"

- 26 Richfield edges Boston, 43-42

- 30 Clinton wins over Rockets, 59-55

## FEBRUARY

- 1-2 "Snowbound" vacation

- 6 Seniors select Commencement announcements

- 7 Richfield wins over Valley City, 57-52

- 9 Mogadore beats Richfield, 34-26

- 10 Twinsburg loses to Richfield, 42-41

- Rockets spoiled Tigers chance for Co-Championship of Summit League

- 13 Richfield beats Copley, 49-46 in tournaments

- 15 Norton downs Richfield, 54-47 in tournaments

- 16 P. T. A. Founders' Day Bath-Richfield band played

- 17 Richfield wins over Bath, 39-30 in tournaments

- 20 Manchester eliminates Rockets, 39-31 in tournaments

- 22 Washington's Birthday. No school

- 27 Pictures taken for senior annual

## MARCH

- 13 Senior Career Day at Northfield

- 13 Annual Banquet

- 15 P. T. A. Drivers' Training Course Program

- 16 N. H. S. Square Dance "Leprechaun Hop"

- 22-27 Easter Vacation

## APRIL

- 6-7 P. T. A. Minstrel Show

- 20-21 Senior Play, "Room No. 13"

- 21 Journalism Clinic at Kent

- 25 Senior Day

- 27 Medina County Music Festival

- April 28-May 2 Junior-Senior trip to Washington, D. C.

## MAY

- 2 Senior Day

- 4 Bath-Richfield Music Program

- 5 Final District State Scholarship Tests

- 17 P. T. A. Seniors Reception

- 19 Junior-Senior Banquet

- 20 Baccalaureate. Rev. John Huston speaker at Town Hall

- 24-25 Exams

- 25 COMMENCEMENT

# Popularity Contest

## FIRST CHOICE SECOND CHOICE

Best boy athlete	Elmer Strodbeck	Gene Lepke
Best girl athlete	Eileen Caban	Harriett Hardy
Best boy student	Donald Rand	Craig Richmond
Best girl student	Sonia Anel	Betty Starcher
Most dependable boy	Donald Rand	Dan Emmett
Most dependable girl	Dorothy Stallard	Sonia Anel
Boy who has done most for R.H.S.	Donald Rand	Dan Emmett
Girl who has done most for R.H.S.	Sonia Anel	Dorothy Stallard
Boy with best personality	Craig Richmond	Donald Rand
Girl with best personality	Dorothy Stallard	Elaine Hartman
Neatest boy	Craig Richmond	Gene Lepke
Neatest girl	Janet Kiser	Elaine Hartman
Boy most likely to succeed	Donald Rand	Craig Richmond
Girl most likely to succeed	Sonia Anel	Betty Starcher
Sleepiest person	Allan Benson	Ralph Seneff
Studies least	Charles Pifer	Gene Lepke
Biggest eater	Clarence Phillips	Elmer Strodbeck
Biggest feet	Mr. Knapp	David Dickson
Cutest boy	Elmer Strodbeck	Skip Gladwin
Cutest girl	Gene Lepke	Noreen Roller
Prettiest eyes	Elaine Hartman	Lucille Smolinski
Most handsome boy	Elaine Hartman	David Dickson
	Gene Lepke	Noreen Roller

## FIRST CHOICE SECOND CHOICE

Prettiest smile	Elaine Hartman	Jan Kiser
Prettiest girl	Elaine Hartman	
Person with the best musical ability	Donald Rand	David Dickson
Peppiest boy	Gene Lepke	Dick Stine
Peppiest girl	Eileen Caban	Elaine Hartman
Boy with best physique	Elmer Strodbeck	Gene Lepke
Girl with best figure	Grace Tieman	Harriett Hardy
Most popular boy	Elmer Strodbeck	Donald Rand
Most popular girl	Elaine Hartman	Janet Kiser
Girl with prettiest hair	Elaine Hartman	Janet Kiser
Most quiet boy	Clarence Phillips	James Esther
	Donald Powell	
Most quiet girl	Pat Neillie	Mary Kern
Most polite student	Dorothy Stallard	Craig Richmond
Boy with most interest in school activities	Donald Rand	Dan Emmett
Girl with most interest in school activities	Dorothy Stallard	Eileen Caban
Most studious person	Sonia Anel	Betty Starcher
		Donald Rand
Person with highest ideals	Sonia Anel	Betty Starcher
		Donald Rand
Friendliest person	Dorothy Stallard	Richard Horn
Best natured	Dorothy Stallard	Grace Komer
Best driver	Gilbert Schmidt	Gene Lepke



# CLASS HISTORY

In September, 1931, seven members of the class of 1951 started on the long journey of public school life. Richard Horn, Richard Oviatt, Don Rand, Henry Smolinski, Don Sobecki, Betty Starcher, and Grace Tieman, under the able direction of Miss Lillian Dando, were the members of the first class to use the newly constructed addition to the old building.

In the second grade we were with some of the class of 1950 with Miss Alice Davies as our teacher. While in her room we mimeographed our own paper, serving as reporters, editors, and printers.

We spent our third year in the same room with the same teacher.

Mrs. Margaret Brewster served as our fourth grade teacher. When Mr. Harold Schweisberger left to serve in the army, Mr. Bell acted as superintendent. Dorothy Stallard was an addition to our room. Our big project was selling seeds. Enough money was made to purchase a clock for the class room.

In the fifth grade we were divided with some having Mrs. Brewster again, and others went to Mrs. Florence Garman's room. Don Sobecki who left after the first grade to go to school in Cleveland came back to Richfield, and Sonia Andel also joined our group from Miles Avenue School. Mr. Glen Powell took Mr. Schweisberger's place as superintendent.

In the sixth grade Mrs. Garman served as our

teacher, with the class again being united. During this year we elected class officers and skipped recesses to prepare for our promotion to the second floor and junior high school. Allan Benson enrolled from Cleveland Garfield School.

In our first year upstairs with Miss Patricia Springer as our teacher, we had a wild and wooly time with a contest among the boys as to who stood in the hall the most. Don Sobecki and Allan Renson took top honors (?). The boys played on the newly formed junior high team and took second place in the junior high class tournaments.

Sonia Andel, valedictorian; Grace Tieman, president; and Mr. Leon Friedman, our class advisor, spoke at our eighth grade graduation ceremonies which were held in the afternoon in the auditorium with parents and friends attending.

In our Freshman Day program we gave sketches of our impressions of the teachers' classes. After this Dan Emmett, our class president, presented our blue and white banner which had been designed by Lee Herman.

The girls went through the honors of the Y-Teen initiation. Eileen Caban joined our happy throng in this year.

In the tenth grade with Mr. Friedman still our class advisor, we gave a party for the high school students in the gym and decorated it as a barn.

The boys joined the Hi-Y this year and took first place in the intra-mural volleyball tournament. The girls brought home the girls' basketball championship.

In our junior year our big project was the Junior Carnival, from which we made \$625. A cast of seven gave a one act play, "Don't Call Me Junior," besides the usual concessions.

We took the seniors on a trip to Columbus, Ohio, on April 6, 7, and 8.

We selected and received our rings early in our junior year. We were treated by the seniors to a banquet at Stouffer's Restaurant in Cleveland, May 20. After the banquet we took the seniors to the show, "Annie Get Your Gun."

The boys took first place in both basketball and volleyball tournaments. Our advisor for this year was Mr. Oliver Ocacek.

In our senior year Grace Komer was added to our group. At the mid-year Grace Tieman, who had enough credits to graduate, left and Bill Selby transferred from Bath. We selected our class flower and motto early in the year. We attended the Ice Follies, a class entertainment, at the Arena on January 24.

We presented our play "Room No. 13" on Friday and Saturday evenings, April 20 and 21, under the direction of Miss Virginia Hejduk, our class advisor.

On Wednesday, April 25, we carried out the traditional Senior Day with all stud-

ents teaching classes and Allan Benson presiding as superintendent.

The juniors took the seniors as their guests to Washington, D. C., on Saturday, April 28, and returned May 1.

Our final social affair, the Junior-Senior Banquet, was served at Mozena's, Saturday evening, May 19, at 7:00 P. M.

Baccalaureate services were conducted Sunday evening, May 20, at the Richfield Town Hall. Reverend John Huston, minister of the Richfield Federated Church, delivered the message. Don Mitton, Craig Richmond, Linda Sommers, and Carol Roller were our junior ushers.

William C. Craig, professor of speech at Wooster College gave the commencement address in the Richfield Auditorium on Friday, May 25. The salutatory address was given by Donald Rand, the valedictorian was Sonia Andel, and Dorothy Stallard, class president, presented the class gift to the school. Melvin H. Rand, president of the Board of Education, presented the diplomas to the boys, who wore summer tuxedos, and to the girls, who wore white formals. Blue and white carnations to match the class colors were presented to the members.

This commencement ended our formal high school education, but we go forth remembering our class motto "Not at the top but still climbing."

## SENIOR SKETCHES

NAME	HOBBY	SONG	PET PEEVE	COLOR	SPORT	AMBITION
Sonia Andel	Talking	"You'll Never Walk Alone"	People who think I can't drive	Blue	Loafing	Social science teacher
Allan Benson	Playing basketball	"Music, Music, Music"	Teachers	Blue	Basketball	Successful farmer
Eileen Caban	Dancing	"If"	People	Aqua	Bowling	To be a success
Dan Emmett	Watching sports on TV	"Way Back Home"	Food in school cafeteria	Red	Basketball	Successful coach
Richard Horn	Square dancing	"Third Man Theme"	People who call me "Horney"	Blue	Baseball	Journalism work
Marie Isley	Photography	"Kentucky Waltz"	My eyes	Green	Swimming	Traveler
Grace Komer	Cooking		Students who shake desks	Blue	Basketball	A successful wife
Richard Oviatt	Harmonica playing	"Panhandle Roy"	People who think they know it all	Blue	Hunting	To make good
Donald Rand	Trumpet playing	"Darktown Strutters Ball"	People who bother me when I'm busy	Blue	Football	An engineer
Henry Smolinski	Cars	No. 3 on Hit Parade	People who call me "mustache"	Green	Golf	A success
Don Sobecki	Playing accordion	"Marianna Waltz"	Giggling girls	Blue	Baseball	Make a name for myself
Dorothy Stallard	Collecting China dogs	"If"	People who don't keep their word	Blue	Basketball	Elementary teacher
Betty Starcher	Whittling	"Irish Eyes Are Smiling"	My brothers	Green	Basketball	Millionaire
Bill Selby	Machines	"I Love the Way You Say Goodnight"	Giggly girls	Blue	Swimming	Mechanical engineer
Grace Tieman	Working at drug store	"Be My Love"	People who tease me	Red	Swimming	Secretary

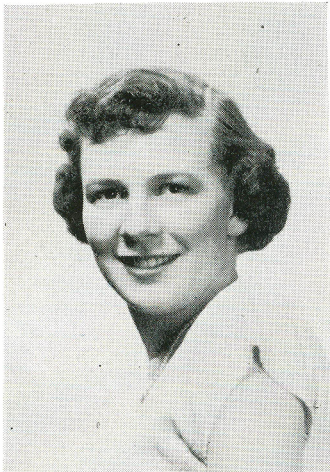


# DOROTHY STALLARD

Y-Teens.....4 yrs.  
Y-Teen Asst. Sec....1 yr.  
Y-Teen Pres.....1 yr.  
Y-Teen Basketball 3 yrs.  
Y-Teen Baseball....1 yr.  
Y-Teen Baseball  
Capt. ....1 yr.  
Student Council....1 yr.  
Student Council  
V. Pres.....1 yr.  
Dramatic Club.....2 yrs.  
ECHO Reporter....3 yrs.  
ECHO Business  
Mgr.....1 yr.  
Mixed Chorus.....4 yrs.  
Girls' Glee.....3 yrs.  
Special Chorus.....1 yr.  
Asst. Librarian....3 yrs.



Office Girl.....2 yrs.  
Asst. Office Girl...2 yrs.  
Cafeteria Cashier...½ yr.  
Elementary Teacher  
Asst.....1 yr.  
Reserve Cheerleader 1 yr.  
Football Cheerleader 1 yr.  
Sophomore Class  
Secretary .....1 yr.  
Junior Class  
Vice President....1 yr.  
Senior Class  
President.....1 yr.  
Junior Play.....1 yr.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.  
Student Activity  
Custodian .....2 yrs.  
Commencement  
Usher.....1 yr.

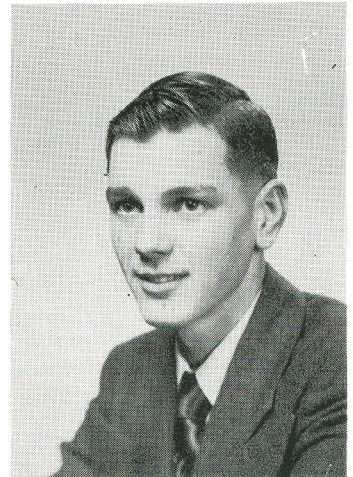


# GRACE KOMER

Y-Teens.....1 yr.  
ECHO Reporter....1 yr.  
ECHO Typist .....1 yr.  
Special Chorus.....1 yr.  
Mixed Chorus.....1 yr.  
Asst. Librarian....1 yr.  
Senior Class  
Secretary .....1 yr.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.

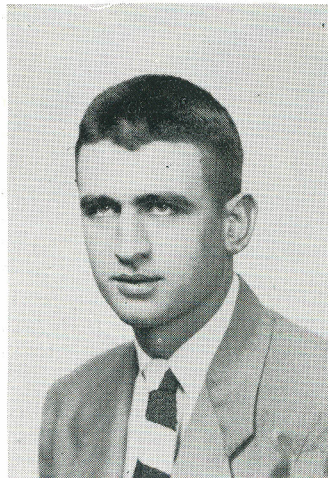
# HENRY SMOLINSKI

Hi-Y.....3 yrs.  
ECHO Typist.....1 yr.  
Student Patrol....2 yrs.  
Basketball.....3 yrs.  
Baseball.....1 yr.  
Track .....1 yr.  
Senior Class Vice  
President.....1 yr.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.



# DAN EMMETT

Hi-Y.....3 yrs.  
Hi-Y President....1 yr.  
Student Council....2 yrs.  
Student Council  
Treas.....1 yr.  
ECHO Reporter....1 yr.  
ECHO Sport  
page editor .....1 yr.  
Basketball .....4 yrs.  
Basketball Capt....1 yr.  
Baseball .....4 yrs.  
Track .....3 yrs.  
Sophomore & Fresh.  
Class President...1 yr.  
Junior & Senior  
Class Treasurer..2 yrs.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.  
Commencement  
Usher .....1 yr.



# SONIA ANDEL

National Honor  
Society.....3 yrs.  
National Honor  
Society Pres. ....1 yr.  
Y-Teens.....4 yrs.  
Student Council....2 yrs.  
Debate Club.....3 yrs.  
Voice of Democracy 1 yr.  
ECHO Staff.....4 yrs.  
Asst. Editor.....1 yr.  
Editor.....1 yr.  
Junior Class  
Secretary .....1 yr.  
Junior Town  
Meeting .....1 yr.  
Scholarship Tests..4 yrs.  
Mixed Chorus.....2 yrs.  
Baccalaureate Usher 1 yr.  
Girls' Glee .....2 yrs.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.



# BETTY STARCHER

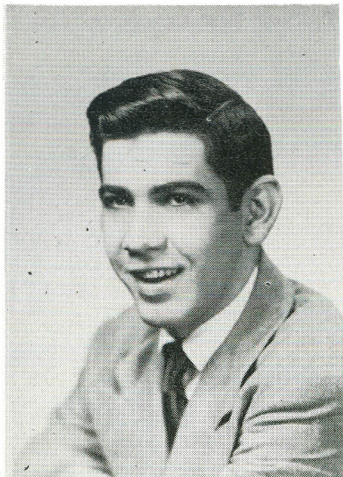
National Honor  
Society.....3 yrs.  
National Honor Society  
V-President.....2 yrs.  
ECHO Reporter....2 yrs.  
Student Council....2 yrs.  
I Speak for  
Democracy.....1 yr.  
Debate.....2 yrs.  
Scholarship Test...4 yrs.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.

# DONALD RAND

National Honor  
Society.....3 yrs.  
National Honor  
Society Pres.... ½ yr.  
National Honor Vice-  
President.....½ yr.  
Hi-Y.....3 yrs.  
Hi-Y Chaplain.....1 yr.  
Student Council....2 yrs.  
Student Council  
President.....2 yrs.  
N. F. L.....2 yrs.  
ECHO Reporter....4 yrs.  
ECHO Third page  
editor.....1 yr.  
Basketball.....4 yrs.  
Track.....2 yrs.  
Football.....1 yr.  
Junior Class  
President.....1 yr.  
Sophomore Vice-  
President.....1 yr.  
School Patrol.....3 yrs.  
Student Patrol  
Lieutenant.....1 yr.  
Scholarship Test...4 yrs.  
Baccalaureate Usher 1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.







**RICHARD OVIATT**

Hi-Y.....3 yrs.  
Basketball.....3 yrs.  
Boys' Glee.....1 yr.  
Junior Play.....1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.  
Baccalaureate Usher 1 yr.

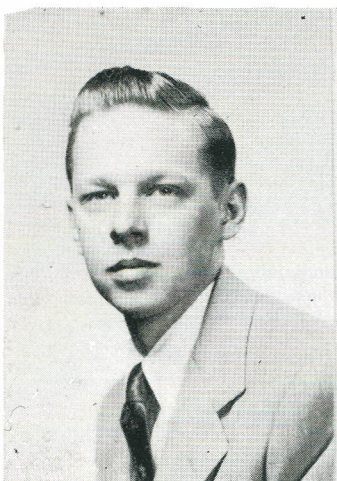
**EILEEN CABAN**

Y-Teens.....4 yrs.  
Y-Teen Basketball 3 yrs.  
Y-Teen Basketball  
Captain.....1 yr.  
Y-Teen Baseball...2 yrs.  
Dramatic Club....2 yrs.  
ECHO Reporter....3 yrs.  
ECHO Typist.....1 yr.  
Mixed Octet.....1 yr.  
Mixed Chorus.....4 yrs.  
Girls' Glee.....3 yrs.  
Special Chorus...2 yrs.  
Asst. Librarian...3 yrs.  
Librarian.....1 yr.  
Office Girl.....1 yr.  
Cafeteria Cashier..½ yr.  
Elementary Teacher  
Assistant.....1 yr.  
Baccalaureate Usher 1 yr.  
Junior Play.....1 yr.  
Student Council  
Typist.....1 yr.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.



**ALLAN BENSON**

Hi-Y.....3 yrs.  
Hi-Y Chaplain....1 yr.  
Student Council...1 yr.  
Basketball.....4 yrs.  
Boys' Glee.....1 yr.  
Junior Play.....1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.  
Commencement  
Usher.....1 yr.



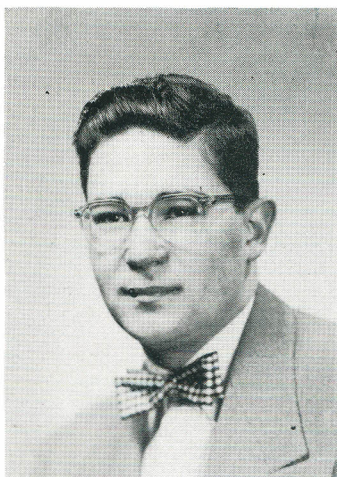
**GRACE TIEMAN**

Y-Teens.....4 yrs.  
National Honor  
Society.....2 yrs.  
Varsity Cheerleader 1 yr.  
Reserve Cheerleader 1 yr.  
Commencement  
Usher.....1 yr.  
Girls' Glee.....3 yrs.  
Mixed Chorus.....4 yrs.



**WILLIAM SELBY**

Euclid High School  
Student Council...1 yr.  
Movie Club.....1 yr.  
Boys' Leaders.....1 yr.  
Freshman Basket-  
ball.....1 yr.  
Freshman Football 1 yr.  
Swimming Club....1 yr.  
Bath High School  
Football.....1 yr.



**MARIE ISLEY**

Y-Teens.....4 yrs.  
Debate.....1 yr.  
ECHO Reporter....3 yrs.  
Band.....3 yrs.  
Mixed Chorus.....1 yr.  
Office Girl.....1 yr.  
Librarian.....1 yr.  
Scholarship Tests..1 yr.

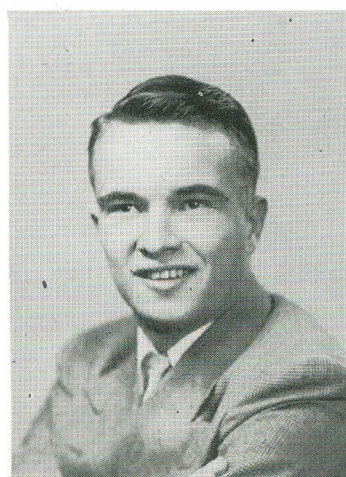
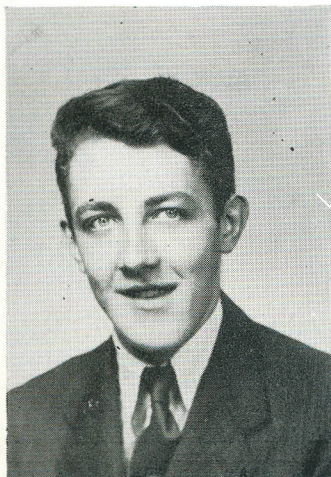


**RICHARD HORN**

Hi-Y.....3 yrs.  
Hi-Y Secretary....1 yr.  
ECHO Reporter....1 yr.  
ECHO Typist.....1 yr.  
ECHO Circulation  
Manager.....1 yr.  
Student Patrol....3 yrs.  
Student Patrol  
Lieutenant.....2 yrs.  
Student Patrol  
Captain.....1 yr.  
Basketball.....1 yr.  
Baseball.....2 yrs.  
Mixed Chorus.....2 yrs.  
Librarian.....1 yr.  
Freshman Class  
Secretary.....1 yr.  
Junior Play.....1 yr.  
Senior Play.....1 yr.  
Senior Annual.....1 yr.

**DONALD SOBECKI**

Hi-Y.....3 yrs.  
National Honor  
Society.....1½ yrs.  
ECHO Typist.....1 yr.  
ECHO Reporter....1 yr.  
Basketball.....3 yrs.  
Baseball.....2 yrs.  
Scholarship Tests..2 yrs.





# CLASS PROPHECY

What will today's seniors be like in 30 years? As time passes, we can see that most of them have attained their ambitions in life and are important people in the life of Richfield.

In 1981 we find that Richfield is a thriving town. Incorporated, with a few small industries, it remains the ideal place to live. Chief among its influential citizens are the members of the class of 1951.

Part of the class members kept the home fires burning during the world struggle. Others went, served, and returned. Now in 1981 Richfieldites live in a happy, peaceful town.

Richfield is bigger, and in growing has been as up-to-date as any town. The town council's chief members include Allan Benson, Mrs. Robert Hardy, (formerly Grace Tieman) Richard Oviatt, Dorothy Stallard, and Donald Rand. It chose Richard Horn as its city manager.

After being in business for many years as a public accountant, Richard set up his own newspaper, "The Voice

of Richfield." He kept up the newspaper while serving as city manager.

The newspaper is printed by the firm of Starcher Publications, Inc. Besides inventing the new type press which she uses, Betty Starcher spends most of her time re-writing text-books.

Dan Emmett, the popular hero, with a reputation of having a girl in every port, returned home, completed his education, and became the coach of the local high school football team. He is known throughout the country as the man who said "No" to Ohio State.

Eileen Caban, following up on her sports ability, became a girls' gym teacher. Schools all around, recognizing her ability to coach a championship team, competed in promising to build the best gyms for her, which her team was to have exclusively.

Farming the rich field in this area are three members of the class of '51, Allan Benson, Richard Oviatt, and Henry Smolinski. They all compete with each other and often meet to swap tall stories about their yields.

Allan Benson, who specializes in dairy cattle which milk 75% cream, is also a member of the town council.

Richard Oviatt, who is justly proud of his wheat fields, specializes in fast tractors. He is the writer and director of the 34th annual PTA, Minstrel Show.

With a small truck farm, Henry Smolinski is known as the state president of the Grange and represents the farm bloc in the Ohio legislature.

Teaching in the local schools are two of the members of the class of '51.

Dorothy Stallard, who teaches in the elementary grades, has been voted "The Teacher We Love the Most" in a national teachers' contest.

Sonia Anel teaches in the high school and tries every year to convince her students of the benefits of world government.

Two students who are happy Richfield matrons are Mrs. Pete Horn (Grace Komer) and Mrs. Robert Hardy (Grace Tieman), who is a member of the town council. Both have three children, and it is rumored

that Mrs. Horn will soon become a grandmother.

Don Sobecki is the vice-president of a local insurance company. The company specializes in disability policies for basketball players.

With the profits received from her successful mink ranch, Marie Isley spends her time traveling over the United States. She has written a book called "What's Not Worth Seeing in the U. S."

In 1981, everyone drives a car with a propane-powered Selby engine. Bill Selby, the chief designer of the Rand Motor Company, introduced this modern-designed engine. The designer is now working on an engine that runs on water and air.

Donald Rand is the president of the Rand Motor Company, which manufactures the most efficient designs of cars. Their newest car looks like a rocket and is guaranteed against accidents because it is run by radar.

Oh, life in 1981 is wonderful, especially in the dream town of Richfield, where the members of the class of '51 live.

# CLASS WILL

We, the members of the senior class of Richfield High School, being sound of mind and body, do hereby direct this last will and testament.

I, Sonia Anel, do will and bequeath my office of ECHO editor and my bottle of aspirins to Pat Neillie, my ability to invent ways to get out of gym class to my sister Barbara, and my ability to filibuster in class when I don't know the answer to Mickey Wilks.

I, Allan Benson, will my place on the bench to Elmer Strodtbeck, my height of 5'7" to Betty Lepke, and all my complaining in literature class to anyone else who doesn't care for Longfellow.

I, Eileen Caban, leave my position as captain of Y-Teens' basketball team to Elaine Hartman in hopes she can make it a championship team, my ability to make points in a basketball game to Edna Haslem, and to Ann Orovany I leave my temper in hopes that she can control it in Mr. Friedman's classes.

I, Dan Emmett, do will my position on the basketball

team to anyone who likes to pass but not shoot, my first baseman's glove to someone with strong front teeth, and my way of studying hardest and longest and still getting poor grades to anyone with an I. Q. of minus 22.

I, Richard Horn, leave my careful driving habits to Gilbert Schmidt, my chauffeur service after school to anyone with a big car, and my job as circulation manager of the ECHO to Carol Roller.

I, Grace Komer, bequeath my position as secretary of the senior class to Jim Symes, my quiet voice to Mary Ann Lee, but my diamond ring will stay with me.

I, Marie Isley, leave my ability to understand Mr. Friedman's jokes to my sister Joan, my love of country life to Mr. Friedman in hopes he will some day learn the difference between a horse and a mule, and my desire to be a doctor to someone with better eyes who would like to take a stab at it.

I, Richard Oviatt, will my shiny, black hair to Hiram

Brewster, my nice "Chevy" to Norman Clark, and my ability to get good grades to Craig Richmond.

I, Donald Rand, do will and bequeath my lucky left handed hook shot to Harriett Hardy, my indifference to girls to Tommy Jones, and my presidencies to David Dickson.

I, William Selby, will a can of Simonize to Mr. Frick with which to shine his head, and a ten pound sledge hammer to the physics lab so they can split a few atoms.

I, Henry Smolinski, do hereby will my red ears to Buddy Snow, my good grades to John Mioduszeski and my mustache to any boy who would care to grow one.

I, Donald Sobecki, bequeath my worn out basketball shoes to Frank Saybo, my diligent study habits to Janet Keckler, and my weight to James Kamps.

I, Dorothy Stallard, bequeath my place as head of the student cabinet to Ellen King, my ability to foul out of the Y-Teen basketball games to Mary Lee Henry, my ability to take Mr. Friedman's razzing to Linda Sommers, and to the girl

who is chosen next year's Y-Teen president all the luck in the world.

I, Betty Starcher, do will my ability to get along without studying to my brother Allan, my driving skill to Buzzy Davis, and my worn physics workbook, with matching straightjacket, to anyone who is crazy enough to take physics next year.

I, Grace Tieman, leave my red dress to any girl who can afford a button for the top, my ability to get out of school at the semester to anyone who is willing to study hard enough.

To the juniors we leave our advisor, Miss Hejduk, with instructions to treat her with as much consideration as we did.

To the sophomores and freshmen we leave our scholastic ability so they can continue our tradition of winning honors.

To the seventh and eighth graders we leave all the good times we have had during high school days.

In witness thereof we do hereby affix our signs and seals this 25th day of May, 1951.

*The Senior Class of 1951*





## BASKETBALL

Richfield's basketball team won 11 out of a season of 19 games. Their longest winning and losing streaks were both six straight games.

At tournament time the boys improved on last year's showing by winning two and losing two. They defeated Copley 49-46, lost to Norton 54-47, defeated Bath 39-30, and lost to Manchester 39-31.

Seniors on this year's first ten were Donald Rand, Henry Smolinski, Dan Emmett, Donald Sobecki, and Allan Benson.

Gene Lepke and Elmer Strodtbeck, both juniors, were named to the All-Summit team.

FIRST ROW—Norm Clark, Henry Smolinski, Dan Emmett, captain; Elmer Strodtbeck, Gil Schmidt, Gene Lepke, Don Mitton.

SECOND ROW—Richard Feiber, Don Rand, David Dickson, Don Sobecki, Ralph Seneff, Mr. Knapp, coach.

## CHEERLEADERS



LEFT TO RIGHT—Barbara Hancock, Janet Kiser, Betty Lepke, Noreen Roller, Elaine Hartman.

## FOOTBALL

The Bath-Richfield team, Revere team as it is called under the new consolidated name, came out second in the Summit League. During the season of eight games in which they played both Summit and Suburban League teams, the team won two, lost four, and tied two games. Mr. Kermit Smulbach from Bath coached the team.

Charles Dykes, an end and co-captain of the team, was named on the All-County team.



FIRST ROW—Bill Selby, John Foote, Charles Dykes, Max Strboya, Knute Meek, Dick Sandmann, Gary Banas.

SECOND ROW—Ralph Seneff, Joe Betterton, Gene Vann, Dick Pearson, Elmer Strodtbeck, Mike McCoy, Bud Brewster, Phil Arnold.

TOP ROW—Coach Kermit Smulbach, Chester Cramer, Tom Goodson, Lawton Vaughan, Charles Stalnaker, Bill Brunskill, Dick Feiber, Gilbert Schmidt.





## Student Council

**SEATED**—George Whalen, Dan Emmett, treasurer; Dorothy Stallard, vice-president; Elaine Hartman, secretary; David Dickson, Norm Clark.

**STANDING**—David Horvath, Mary Ann Davidson, Beverly Zola, Mr. Friedman, advisor; Don Rand, president; Nancy Neumann, Sonia Andel, James Klein, Tom Jones.



## Echo

**SEATED**—Dorothy Stallard, business manager; Don Rand, third-page editor; Patricia Neillie, assistant editor; Sonia Andel, editor; Dan Emmett; sports editor; Richard Horn, circulation manager.

**STANDING, FIRST ROW**—Leticia Palmer, Craig Richmond, David Dickson, Jim McGuire, Beverly McAllister, Eileen Caban, Miss Hejduk, advisor; George Whalen, Sandra Kettler, Mickey Wilks, Carol Roller, Barbara Andel.

**SECOND ROW**—Richard Feiber, Jim Symes, Jim Kamps, Buddy Wilkinson, Janet Kiser, Tom Jones, Norm Clark, Betty Starcher, Mary Ann Lee, Ellen King, Nancy Neumann, Ann Orovany, Harriett Hardy.



## Y-Teen

**FIRST ROW**—Ellen King, Noreen Roller, Mary Alice Esther, Jeanette Ogle, Eileen Caban, Harriett Hardy, Dorothy Harmon, Carol Roller, Mary Lee Henry, Patricia Smith.

**SECOND ROW**—Sandra Kettler, Mary Ann Lee, Mrs. Bolin, advisor; Leticia Palmer, Elaine Hartman, treasurer; Dorothy Stallard, president; Linda Sommer, vice-president; Patricia Neillie, secretary; Barbara Hancock, Betty Lepke, Janet Kiser.

**THIRD ROW**—Thelma Collins, Mickey Wilks, Edna Ann Haslem, Nancy Newmann, LaVonne Lytle, Patricia Garman, Violet Guthrie, Ann Yunger, Phyllis Stallard, Beverly McAllister, Ellen Neillie, June Loesch.

**FOURTH ROW**—Lucille Smolinski, Anne Orovany, Barbara Andel, Marilyn Melch, Carol Steffen, Jo Ann Koran, Ruth Strodbeck, Barbara Best, Carolyn Burnette, Patricia Smith, Norma Dunasky, Marie Isley.



## Hi-Y

**FIRST ROW**—Buddy Wilkinson, Don Powell, Buddy Snow, Walter Starcher, Jim Esther.

**SECOND ROW**—Jim McGuire, Elmer Strodbeck, treasurer; Dan Emmett, president; Norm Clark, vice-president; Richard Horn, secretary; Skip Gladwin.

**THIRD ROW**—Don Mitton, Don Sobecki, Don Rand, David Dickson, Jim Symes, Charles Stalnaker, Craig Richmond, Richard Oviatt, Mr. Kelley, advisor.

**FOURTH ROW**—Henry Smolinski, Gilbert Schmidt, George Whalen, Bruce Ruck, Jim Kamps, Paul Cofta, Ralph Seneff.





## Girls' Basketball

FIRST ROW—Harriett Hardy, Eileen Caban, captain; Elaine Hartman.

SECOND ROW—Carol Roller, Mrs. Wasil, coach; Dorothy Stallard, Miss Simpson, coach; Patricia Smith.

THIRD ROW—Linda Sommer, Edna Ann Haslem, Leticia Palmer, Mary Lee Henry.



## National Honor Society and National Forensic League

SEATED—Don Rand, N.H.S. and president of N.F.L.; Sonia Anel, N.F.L. and president of N.H.S.; Betty Starcher, N.F.L. and vice president of N.H.S.

STANDING—Elaine Hartman, N.H.S.; Mrs. Burkett, advisor of N.H.S.; Leticia Palmer, N.F.L.; Patricia Neillie, N.H.S.; Louise Strodbeck, N.F.L.; Mr. Schweisberger, treasurer of N.H.S.; Harriett Hardy, secretary of N.H.S.; Miss Hejduk, advisor of N.H.S.



## Juniors

FIRST ROW—Mary Lee Henry, Elaine Hartman, Sandra Kettler, secretary; Don Mitton, president; Norm Clark, vice-president; Craig Richmond, treasurer; Harriett Hardy, Patricia Smith.

SECOND ROW—Mary Ann Lee, Patricia Neillie, Mickey Wilks, Leticia Palmer, Ellen King, Linda Sommer, Carol Roller, Mr. Friedman, advisor; Thelma Collins.

THIRD ROW—Elmer Strodbeck, Jim Symes, Ralph Seneff, Charles Stalnaker, Buddy Snow, Allan Starcher, Skip Gladwin, Gilbert Schmidt.

ABSENT—Mary Kern, Gene Lepke.



## Office and Library Help

SEATED—Carol Roller, Beverly McAllister, Barbara Hancock, Miss Hejduk, librarian; Eileen Caban, Jeannette Ogle, Harriett Hardy.

STANDING—Paul Cofta, Richard Horn, Anne Orovany, Marie Isley, Elaine Hartman, Leticia Palmer, Mickey Wilks, Janet Kiser, Dorothy Stallard, Mr. Schweisberger, principal.





## Tenth Grade

**FIRST ROW**—Mary Alice Esther, Noreen Roller, David Dickson, treasurer; Lucille Smolinski, vice-president; George Whalen, president; Beverly McAllister, secretary; Carolyn Burnette, Jeannette Ogle.

**SECOND ROW**—Buddy Wilkinson, James Kamps, Barbara Hancock, Paul Cofta, Phyllis Stallard, Donald Powell, James Esther, Richard Shumway.

**THIRD ROW**—Walter Starcher, Jim McGuire, Janet Kiser, Ann Orovany, Betty Lepke, Barbara Andel, Bruce Ruck, Russell Lee.

**ABSENT**—Mr. Frick, advisor; Janet Keckler, Florence Sobecki.



## Ninth Grade

**FIRST ROW**—LaVonne Lytle, Dorothy Harmon, Ann Yunger, secretary; Richard Feiber, vice-president; Tom Jones, president; John Mioduszeski, treasurer; Barbara Best, Pat Garman, Norma Dunasky.

**SECOND ROW**—Edna Ann Haslem, Nancy Newmann, Jo Ann Koran, Carol Steffen, Marilyn Melch, Francis Smith, June Loesch, Ruth Strodbeck, Violet Guthrie, Josephine Hippsey, Ellen Neillie.

**THIRD ROW**—Clarence Phillips, Dick Stine, Joel Neuman, Ben Domanski, Bud Brewster, Kenneth Bluhm, Fred Larson, Donald Johnson, Mr. Knapp, advisor.

**ABSENT**—Joan Isley.



## Eighth Grade

**FIRST ROW**—William Johnson, Harry Keller, Larry Coffee, David Horvath, Ronald Naydar.

**SECOND ROW**—Dorothy Tombow, Nancy Suk, Ellen Clark, vice-president; Don Cass, president; Anne Rooy, secretary; Judy Zacker, treasurer; June Hovatter.

**THIRD ROW**—Alice Sorenson, Bernice Smolinski, Edna Petre, Marilyn Clark, Beverly Guthrie, Beverly Zola, Mr. Kelley, advisor.

**FOURTH ROW**—Gerald Hutchinson, Joe Schmidt, Glenn Rand, Wayne Fisher, Paul Pifer, Albert Kern.



## Seventh Grade

**FIRST ROW**—David Hawkins, Robert Zola, Larry Longfellow, David Zacker, Henry Dunasky.

**SECOND ROW**—Roger Hovatter, Virginia Longfellow, secretary; Mary Ann Davidson, president; Nancy Holeski, treasurer; June Lepke, Jim Klein, vice-president.

**THIRD ROW**—Mrs. Burkett, advisor; Joann Newman, Dorothy Adams, Nancy Norman, Don Pifer, Nancy Rogers, Janice Haddox, Nancy Sidaway, Frank Sabo.

**FOURTH ROW**—Donald Javorsky, Anna Wesolek, Hazel Strnad, Mary Ann Komer, Margaret Suk, James Stalnaker, Darwin Myers.

**ABSENT**—Clara Viscomi, Gary Meyers.





## School Patrol

### FIRST ROW—

Fred Larson, Jim McGuire, David Dickson, lieutenant; Richard Horn, captain; Norm Clark, lieutenant; Harry Keller.

### SECOND ROW—

Richard Shumway, Russell Lee, James Kamps, Buddy Wilkinson, Tom Jones, Ronald Naydar.

### THIRD ROW—

Buddy Rogers, Glenn Rand, Joe Schmidt, Richard Feiber, George Whalen, Bruce Ruck.

## Custodians and Cafeteria Help

Harvey Luther, Mrs. Mildred King, Mrs. Geneva Rooy, Mrs. Nellie Garman, and Buzzy Davis.



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