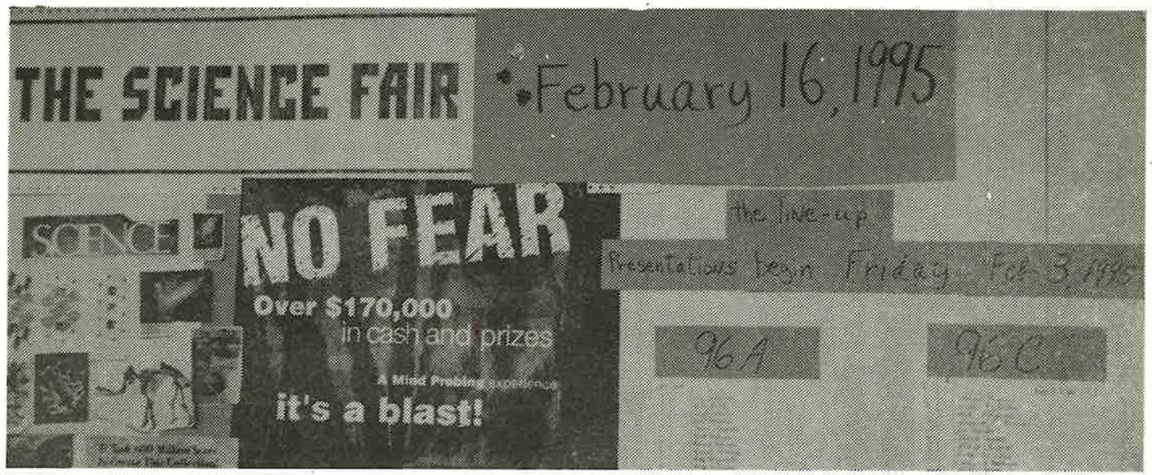
Science Fair '95



by: Damion Rose 97 R

On Thursday, February 16, 1995, an announcement was made that Diman's annual Science Fair would be starting promptly at 8 o'clock and any student who had entered an exhibit should meet in the gym. Kids began swarming into the gym carrying the projects that had gotten them there.

Everyone waited patiently to receive their assigned area, and then began setting up their projects while nervously awaiting the arrival of the judges. There was a variety of projects put on display, some "experimental" and others "descriptive" - projects as diverse as health conditions like heart attacks, and natural disasters like hurricanes.

As the morning wore on, the students became more relaxed listening to headphones, doing homework, and practicing their presentations. Then, the judges arrived and began looking for the numbers of the students whose projects they were to judge. At, first, many people were nervous, but they spoke to the best of their knowledge and ability explaining in great detail the facts and interesting points about their projects. By the time the second judge came around, the "young scientist" were more relaxed and confident.

After everything was over and the classes had come and gone, all participants were left to anxiously await the outcome. They were not to find out, however, until the next morning during announcement.

And the results were . . .

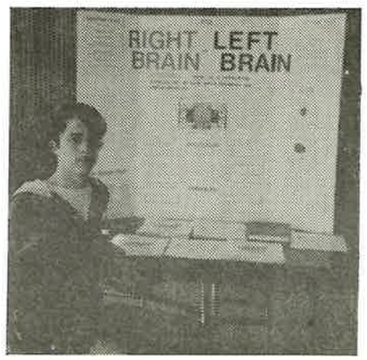
In the "Experimental" category:
1st Place: **Andrew Mazzarella** - Left and Right Brain Dominance
2nd Place: **Kylie Nitsche** - How Effective Is Your Shampoo?
Tommy Gamache - Wet Insulation Compared to Dry
3rd Place: **Karen Carreiro** - Lung Capacity

In the "Descriptive" category:
1st Place: **Damion Rose** - Rabies
2nd Place: **Matt Souza** - Heart Attacks
3rd Place: **Becky Tavares** - Lightening

Congratulations to all the winners and to all who contributed to a successful Science Fair '95.



Jason Cordeiro 96P; The comparision of Penn and Spalding tennis balls by experimental uses.



In the "Experimental" Category: 1st Place Winner Andy Mazzarella; Right Brain vs. Left Brain.



In the "Descriptive" Category: 1st Place Winner Damion Rose; Rabies

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"Fashions FADE - Style is ETERNAL"

Yves St. Laurent



Painting & Decorating Make the Herald News

by: Carmen Cabral 98C

On Monday , January 23, 1995 , Painting and Decorating students along with their instructor Mrs. Joni Souza went to the Government Center downtown for a press conference. Students were dismissed from the school at 9:30 am. Diman had been asked to put up various artwork which included travel posters, Lion King posters, refinished furniture, and all sorts of submitted work.

City Hall and the Herald were so impressed that they wanted to put yet another article about Diman students in the city paper. Their work was displayed throughout the month of January. Below are the names of the students who attended.

Andrea Albernaz 95 S
Diane Ferreira 95 S
Crystal Rego 95 S
Melissa Souza 95 T
Chris Durand 95 S
Ana Raposo 95 S
Paula Soares 95 T
Jenn Deston 96 C
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"The hardest work of all is to do nothing"
Jewish Folk Saying

Diman Alumni Hockey Club
presents
2nd Annual Hockey Weekend
Diman Varsity
vs.
Diman Alumni
Saturday, March 25, 1995
Driscoll Rink 7PM - 10PM
$2.00 Adults $1.00 Children
Children Under 12 **FREE** With Paid Adult
Tickets for Game Sold at Door **Only**

Breakfast at Diman
Sunday, March 29, 1995
8:30AM - 11:30AM

$5.00 Adults $2.50 Children

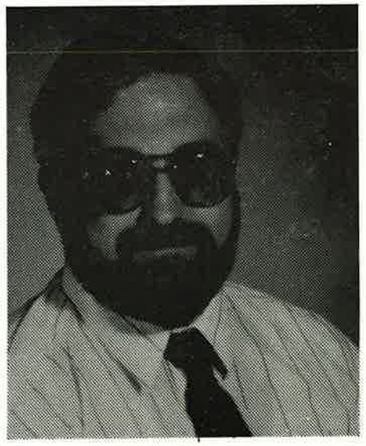
Welcome To Mr. Freeman

by: Erica Followill 98 M

I would like to give you an introduction to Mr. Freeman, our science teacher. He began here in September and has enjoyed teaching here since. Mr. Freeman teaches Chemistry, General Science, and Senior Physics. Before teaching here at Diman, he taught at Westport High, and Durfee, and has been a substitute at almost every public school in Fall River.

Although he did not attend Diman, he did go to Tansey, Morton, Durfee, and UMASS. Mr. Freeman has been interested in science since he was a little boy, leading him to become a science teacher. Besides his interest in science, he loves photography. He also likes to listen to hard rock, his favorite band being the Doors.

Mr. Freeman, who says he loves teaching here, has a very high opinion of Diman. He says that the students are very polite, and not only are the staff helpful, but the student body is also. Mr. Freeman says he can see the pride that's in this building. In his own words, he's " happy to be on board."



Mr. Freeman



CROSSFIRE

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My So-Called Life - Yes!

by: Kelly Viveiros 97 B

By now, everybody has heard that the Thursday evening show on ABC, *My So-Called Life*, is in hiatus, with the possibility of never returning. For those of you who don't know about the show, you don't know what you are missing and have missed.

My So-Called Life is narrated by Claire Danes who plays Angela Chase. Angela is an average-looking sophmore in high school. The program has, in addition to Ms. Danes, one of the finest casts I've seen in a long time. All of the actors make their characters so believable. There's Jordan Catalano, played by Jared Leto, whom Angela thinks she loves. She and Jordan eventually get together. Devon Gumbersall, who plays Angela's neighbor Brian Crackow, is the "brain" of the school. Sharon (Devon Odessa) , Angela's old friend from grammar school, is dating the high school football star. Enrique (Rickie) , Wilson Cruz, has problems with his sexual identity. Throughout the show, he tries to convince himself that he can be "straight", but in the last episode he finally accepts himself as a homosexual teenager. Finally, there's Rayanne, played by A.J. Langer. Rayanne is an alcohlic in recovery who deep down would like to be like Angela. In the end she loses Angela's trust and frienship when she and Jordan become too "friendly" .

I think everyone can relate to Angela's family. She has imperfect parents (Bess Armstrong as Patty and Tom Irwin as Graham) who don't want to lose their little girl, but know they have to let her grow up. Together they try to do the best they can in raising Angela and her sister Danielle (Lisa Wilhoit) who is sometimes irritating as any normal sibling is.

What makes this program so great is not only the cast, but also the reality aspect. Each episode can grab and keep an audience's attention no matter what age. *My So-Called Life* is never unrealistic like other shows I've seen. Take, for example, *Saved by the Bell* . Seriously, how many of us carry a cellular phone to school? Is this reality? Do we even care?

My So-Called Life might be cancelled because, as usual, no one wants to ride out "the ratings". Hopefully, ABC will give this show another chance which it very much deserves.



Claire Danes (Angela) with Co-star Wilson Cruz (Rickie) above.



Claire Danes (Angela) with Co-star Jared Leto (Jordan) above.

My So-Called Life - Not!

by: Jason Pacheco 95

How can I persuade you readers not to watch the terrible show, *My So-Called Life*? I'm saying this bluntly because it's the only way I can describe such an unbelievably *90210*-like show.

The episodes revolve around a teenage girl, Angela, who is constantly, or so it seems to me, having a crisis. To put this in plain English, "Girl, if you knew what a crisis really was, you'd be all messed up! "

Some parts of the program, I must admit, are believable, but the actors' performances are so corny and foolish they spoil the intended meaning. Also, some issues, while presented with good intent, are cast in an unrealistic light. Take, for example, the homosexual friend who gets along with everybody. Come on! I'm not a gay-basher, but most teens are just not kind to homosexuals. While the message of tolerance is positive, in real life teens are not that accepting.

This show is admired by many teenagers and baby-boomers who do not seem to grasp the concept of what a problem really is. But, if you want a good laugh and enjoy seeing people try to act sad or pretend to show you a "so-called" crisis once a week, turn on the tube, because we've got a winner.

YELL IT OUT!!

The newspaper would like to encourage students to voice your opinions in the new " Yell It Out" column (or page,depending on how many items are submitted to print.) This column/page will feature student opinions, ideas and questions on a variety of topics and issues. If you have something you would like to see in print, write it up (neatly , double-spaced in ink or typed) and drop it off in Mrs. Sayre's room, C204, any time. You can be anonymous, if you fear for your reputation, or your life.... Let's hear from you! Here's your chance to have a voice!

ELVIS in Hawaii

A Short Story by: Luis Rebelo

While watching television, I heard my office alarm beeper go off. Without even putting on a coat, I was down the stairs and turning on my Viper. I stepped on the accelerator and was at my office within minutes. Rushing up the stairs, I noticed that the window which once read, "Tony Camponelli: Private Detective" , was shattered, and the door was slightly open. I grasped my gun and slowly opened the door. The window was open and the curtains were blowing in the wind. Suddenly I heard, " Clank! Clank! Clank!" coming from the window. I quickly ran to the window and saw the thief going down the fire escape.

Then I noticed that he had dropped his wallet trying to squeeze through the window. I knew where he lived. Turning to the door, I noticed my "Elvis in Hawaii" poster, autographed by the King himself, was gone. I ran down to my car and drove to 196 Buffinton Avenue. It was an old, run-down house with a car parked in front. I turned off the ignition, stepped out of my car and walked over to the other car. I inconspicuously placed my hand on the hood of the car. It was still warm, so I knew this was the place.

As I was removing my hand from the hood , I heard a creaking noise behind me. Without looking, I grabbed my gun and fired four rounds from my five shot. I had killed an old rocking chair on the front porch. Meanwhile, I heard a door close at the rear of the house. I ran around to the rear and saw someone running into the woods behind the house. Immediately, I ran after him. He was in sight until I stumbled and nearly fell. I lifted my head, and he was gone. I started walking around with my gun in hand. Suddenly, I heard leaves rustling behind me. I turned around and saw a man with a rifle, and it was pointed at me.

"Put it down!" he exclaimed. I knew I had only one bullet left, so I had to shoot accurately and quickly. I didn't want to kill him, only unarm him. Within one half of a second, I aimed and shot the rifle out of his hand. He fell back and banged his head on a rock. He had killed himself since the bullet never hit him. I ran back to the house as fast as I could and found the poster unharmed on the kitchen table. As soon as I picked it up, the doors burst open and police officers filled the room. I tried to tell them what happened.

All the way to the station, they kept telling me, "Tell it to the judge!" So I did.

Well, that's my story. What are you in for?



Body Piercing: *You Won't Find These Holes on the Golf Course.*

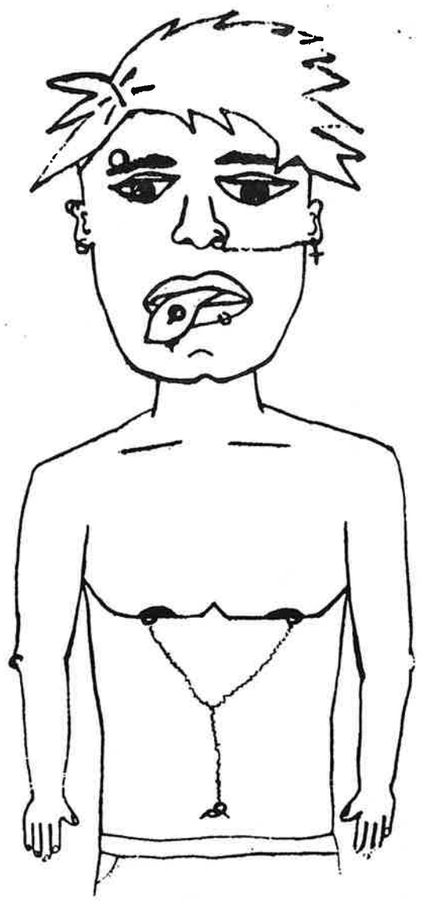
by: C.F.

From nose rings to tongue rings Body Piercing has become the new trend of the future. Piercing practically every part of your body is considered "cool". Although it is painful and can cause infection, many people still get these body parts pierced, like nose, tongue, ears, eyebrow, lip, nipple, belly button, elbow, forehead, and a place down below I can't even mention.

What's the big deal? Everyone expresses himself or herself in a different way. Some people get their body parts pierced and some people will wear bell bottoms.

Even though getting a body part pierced hurts, there are other alternatives if you want the same look. There are clip ons or slip ons and magnetic ones that attach to some parts but not all. Fakes are not painful and they range from about $5 to $8. But they are not the real thing.

If you want to get it done for real, there are places in Providence that do it, or you can go to tatoo shops. Many people choose to do it themselves with a needle or thread. But even when you get your nose pierced or your lip pierced, it won't make you smarter. It won't even increase your chances of becoming a juror on the OJ Simpson case. But believe me, heads will turn!

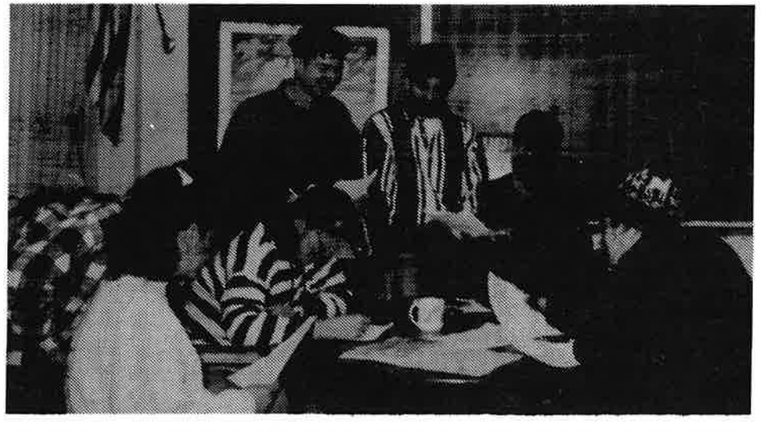


My Dream - A Prose Poem

by: C.F.

Last night I dreamt of the ocean.

The waves were crashing against the shore. It was peaceful, yet the crashing was as loud as thunder. I sat still listening and watching. The sound reminded me of the way your heart beats when you see someone you care about. It became more intense. Louder and louder than any sound that ever pierced my ears. Though it was beautiful, my heart was sad and lonely, for "HE" was not there to watch the waves with me.



The Newspaper Staff Working Hard - Clockwise - Kim Marchand, Effie Mitsis, Carmen Cabral, Jim Crivaro, Jason Pacheco, Chris Soares, Christina Ferreira (hidden), Derek Pelletier, Kelly Viveiros.

1994 Grade 9 Exploratory Report

The 1994 Grade 9 Exploratory Program began on September 7 and concluded on December 21. During that time, students in Grade 9 explored seven of the fifteen shops and their corresponding related classes for approximately one week each. Three hundred and seven freshmen completed the program.

In comparing shop choices of students on their original Diman application with choices made at the conclusion of the program, 52 % selected a different shop as a first choice. In 1992, this number was 50 % and in 1993, 53 % .

The five most requested shops based on first choice were: Culinary Arts (37), Electricity (32), Graphic Arts (29), Health Careers (26), and Painting and Decorating (26).

Once all students were placed, 75.5 % entered their first choice. Ninety-four and a half percent entered one of their first three choices.

Twenty-eight academic transfers were required to balance student numbers in some shops. Thirty-eight female students were placed into shops considered non-traditional for their gender such as Metal Fabrication and Welding. Two male students entered Health Careers.

The student who earned the highest number of placement points was Albano Miranda, who entered Diman from the St. Michael's school, Albano had 884 points out of a possible 1000. He has entered the Plumbing Shop.

At the conclusion of the program, approximately 280 students responded to a survey. Asked if they were satisfied with this year's set-up of seven shops - one week in each shop, 222 responded " Yes". Asked if they would like to explore more than seven, 156 said "No" with 119 stating "Yes".

Dennis Duval
Director of Guidance

My Dream Come True

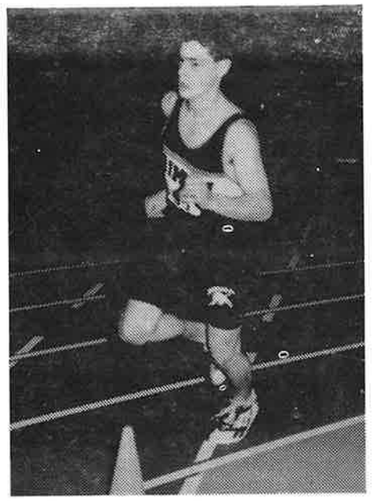
by: Jimmy Crivaro

The thrill of making the States and running at Harvard's beautiful indoor facility is without a doubt a runner's dream come true. Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass., is truly a beautiful place. It brings back that old fashioned look that makes you think you're back in the 30's.

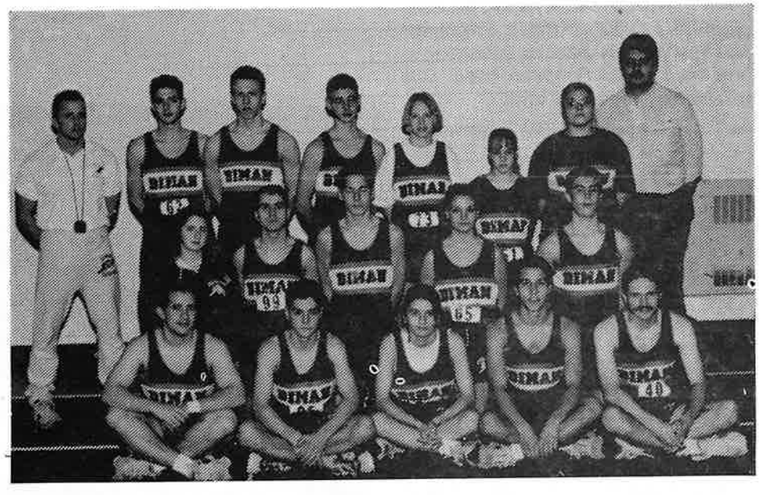
When we arrived at the field house, a stunning sight greeted us! The banked track was surrounded by hundreds of people in the stands, cheering and supporting the runners. Coaches of all the participating teams were cheering on individuals in different events.

Diman had two runners who qualified for this illustrious meet. I was suffering from the flu and was unable to run, leaving Jeff Medeiros as Dimans' lone representative. I was, of course, disappointed that I wouldn't be running, but happy that my teammate would have this great opportunity. Jeff, who was seeded 30th, finished stronger than expected at 21st, and ran a personal best time of 10:21.

After Jeff's race, we all packed up and walked down the hall with a feeling of satisfaction and accomplishment. For most, competing in the States is just a dream. But on that warm Saturday morning, it became reality for two young men who trained hard and poured their hearts and souls into a dream - a dream that has now finally come true.



Jeff Medeiros



Top Row - Coach Aubin, Jimmy Crivaro, Pat Keys, Kevin Oulette, Sandy Sousa, Amy Bartle, Stacy Bouchard Middle Row - Jessica Lincoln, John Aguir, Billy Maurer, Jessica Edmonds, Frank Pilsbury Bottom Row - Scott King, Jeff Medeiros, Nancy Gammon, Dave Fisher, Keith Clarke

Diman's First Girls Basketball Team Started

by: Carmen Cabral 98 C

This year at Diman the girls had their chance to have their own basketball team. Mr. Brian Hankins, who was a former high school player and Boy / Girl coach , is the team's coach.

Because the season was shorter than usual , the girls only played against Westport High, New Bedford Voc., Bristol Aggie, and Blue hills, one game each.

The girls, like the boys team, had their turn to shine in the spotlight when they beat New Bedford with a score of 37 to 30, and Bristol Aggie, 44 to 21.

Earlier in the season when tryouts were held, thirty -nine girls tried out. Initially there were two teams - an intramural, and a traveling team. However, we ended up with just a traveling team of 15 players.

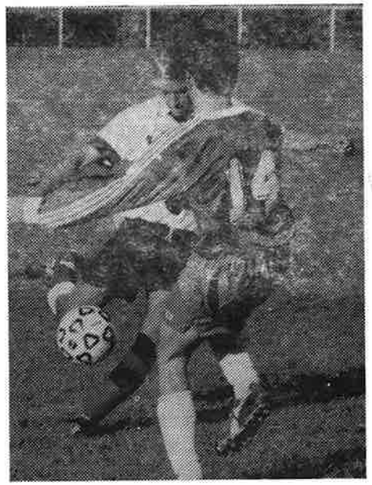
I asked Mr. Hankins what he looked for in his players and he replied, "Talent, control of the ball, and also defense."

Practices were held after school on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays, for two hours. As on any other team, the girls did receive tee- shirts and shorts as uniforms. Mr. Hankins also placed Michelle Landry, and Holly Santos as team captains.

This year's team was such a success that next year their season will be expanded to "normal" length, and the team will be split up into varsity and junior varsity teams, just like the boys.

So Close, But Yet So Far Away

by: Al Miranda 98 M



It was a good year for the Bengals Varsity Soccer. It could have ended by us going to the State Finals, but fate was not in our corner. All year we worked hard, from our first practice, to our last game. We gave it our all. Eric Faria put it, "Give it 150%!".

Coach Allen did his best to get us in to good playing condition. He got his reward at one of the last games of the season against Sacred Heart. It was a nice cold bath that was presented to him by Al Miranda and Danny Raposa.

Our team captains Jesse Mello and Jason Rocha gave the team the enthusiasm plus "get-up-and-go" that was necessary. The team was like one big family. We stuck up for and by each other and horsed around. But when it came to game time, it was serious business.

The last and most important game of the season resulted in our defeat. We gave it everything in our game against Wesport. It was hard for us to swallow that loss. When we were scored on, it was like the whole game went into slow motion. We needed to win or tie with Wesport so we could go to the State Finals - the team, "one whole", giving it all that we could. Why didn't we win? I don't know. But at least we could walk away with our heads held high.

I think Eric spoke for the team when he said, "I can face myself in the mirror and know I gave it 110%."

Ski Trip '95

by: Kim Marchand and Effie Mitis

Skiing has become a world - wide sport, and for some of us Wednesday, February 1, was a day of skiing excitement. Even the students who don't know how to ski came along to join in on the fun.

The busses left Diman at 1:45 PM and headed for Watchusett Mountain in the western hills of Massachusetts. The ride was loud and disruptive. Hats, food, and students were thrown around like we were playing ball. I'm surprised we survived (not to mention the brave driver)!

When the busses arrived at the mountain, ski lessons were offered to students who needed help getting started. Skiing for the first time was a nerve - wracking experience for Rheana Bednark, who was a beginner and afraid to ski. However, Kevin Raposa lent a helpful hand. Rheana skied down the mountain going 50 mph holding on to Kevin's waist. What an unusual sight to see, to say the least!

Besides skiing, students went snow boarding. There were some crazy action flying around! A first - time snow boarder cracked his board by colliding into a tree - head on ! ! ! The student is alive and kicking, but the snow board is in critical condition.

All of us on the freshman bus would like to thank Mr. Mullaly for a great ski trip!

When's the next one?



Shane Vezina 98C and Stacia Cavara 97R are ready to go skiing.

Peer Mediation at Diman

by: Sandy Raposa and Kevin Gillet

Is someone you know involved in a conflict?

Have you tried to resolve your conflicts but ended up hitting a wall ?

Are you spending more time worrying rather than doing something about it ?

Maybe it's time you got help from a trained mediator. . . .

Mediation is a way of solving your own problems with some help from other Diman students who have been trained to resolve conflicts before they turn violent.

1. You should know that mediation is VOLUNTARY. Students who are having a conflict must agree to participate.

2. In order for you to feel safe and comfortable, we inforce CONFIDENTIALITY. Anything the mediators hear or see during the mediation process will not leave the room the mediation process took place in.

3. Another thing everyone must understand is that the mediators are NEUTRAL. They do not take sides.

4. For every argument there must be a resolution. We try to resolve the argument with a positive agreement. The agreement is whatever the disputants want it to be. We only ask that you "give a little" as well as "take a little".

Conflict is everywhere. It is not always bad because it can lead to positive changes. Mediation offers a mean of settling conflicts without violence. At this time, besides Diman there are mediation programs at Durfee, Dartmouth, Somerset, and Case High. Mediators go through 20 hours of training. Some of the important skills learned are listening, neutrality, and looking beneath the surface of a conflict. Here at Diman all our mediators have ended in a confidential agreement between the disputants. Statistics show that 95% of the time, if an agreement is reached, the disputants will honor it.

After reading this article, if you feel that you or someone you know may need peer mediation you may contact Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Bentley, Mrs. Letender, Mrs. St. Martin. If you fell uncomfortable talking to an adult, you may contact these following students:
Michelle Aguiar, Uni Bailey, Pam Bouchard, Jennifer Chace, Kyle Dias, Jeffrey DoCarmo, Steve Dumont, Jodie Leger, Kerrie McAndrew, Ken Olrid, Jodie Paquin, Nicole Parent, Joshua Shaughnessy, Chris Soarse, Sandy Roposo, and myself Kevin Gillet. Remember: There is no problem too big or too small for peer mediation.

FRESHMAN ADJUSTMENT

by: Tom Cabral 98 E

Shop Exploratory is over and freshmen have made the choice that will effect their four years at Diman.

The adjustment from middle school to high school was extremely hard, stated the majority of students I interviewed. Some students said certain activities helped them adjust, however.

There have been nearly 4 months of school and by now everyone should be used to the schedule, the classes, and all of the teachers. There are no longer any excuses for being late to class or forgetting materials.

Many freshmen that I spoke to said the school year is going by fast and there is not enough time to choose a shop. One person said, "I wouldn't go to Durfee because it doesn't have the same academic and shop set-up."

All freshmen who worked hard and made the grade should get their first shop choice. Going into the shop of their choice will help them adjust even more to life at Diman.

We have come to a crossroad in life. Making the best choices now may effect us for the rest of our lives.



Earth Service Corps Has Made A Difference

by: Jennifer Chace 96 E

The newly-found group, which hopes to promote environmental awareness, spent nearly three hours, Nov. 12, cleaning a wooded area around Locust Street, opposite the north end of Stonehaven Road.

The group included six Diman students, Mr. Kuthan who organized the Diman Corps, Mrs.Thibert and her daughter, three friends of a Diman student, as well as the two advisors from the YMCA, Steve St. Pierre and Dani Lupien.

We found big statues which had been broken, beer and soda cans, cigarette butts, broken glass, pieces of paper, parts of cars and " other junk ".

We recycled the cans, racked up 18 bags of leaves, and put all the trash into a pickup truck. Mr. Kuthan and one of the Diman students took the trash to BFI.

It was a small group, but much was accomplished. However, more could be done to save our environment if there were more volunters. Students who would like to join this new group and help should speak to Mr. Kuthan.

It makes you feel good knowing you are doing something to make the earth more beautiful and a better place in which to live, and doing it because you want to, not because you are required to do it.

Guidance News

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Seniors: Have you filled out your college applications and returned them to your guidance counselor? Have you completed your Financial Aid Forms which are due in February? Bring them in now! New scholarships are being posted daily, so check for the most recent additions.

Seniors planning to enter the world of work, do you have well written, updated resumes for prospective employers? Do you have a clear path to meet your future plans and goals?

Juniors planning to take the June 3 SAT's must have their applications in before the April 28 deadline. Also, are you exploring colleges and Tech Schools where you may wish to continue your education after Diman? There are many catalogues and pamphlets in the Guidance office.

Juniors who wish to be the first considered for CO-OP must be passing all subjects by the end of the school year.

It is important for juniors, sophmores, and freshmen to maintain high grades. Good grades and class rank will help you gai n entrance into the college and career of your choice.

Any questions about colleges, CO-OP, jobs, grades, SAT's or PSAT's, please see your guidance counselor.

Diman Hockey Alumni Establish Scholarships

The Diman Hockey Alumni Association will award two or more $500 scholarships in June. First consideration will be given to seniors who have played at least one year of Diman hockey. However, other students may be considered if there are insufficient hockey applicants.

Scholarship applications are available through your counselor.
DEADLINE MAY 1, 1995.

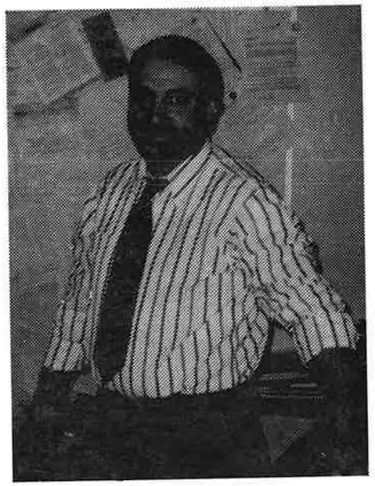
The Guidance Department Gets A New Counselor

by: Jason Pacheco

Mr. Fernandes is the new guidance counselor here at Diman. He has come to us with much education to his credit. He graduated from Providence College with a B.A. in Secondary Education, and an M.E.D. in Counseling. Also, he has taken courses at Boston University and The University of Lisbon. He is most likely qualified to be an outstanding guidance counselor.

Before working at Diman, Mr.Fernandes worked in curriculum resource for the Fall River School Department. Later, from 1984 to 1993, he was Title One counselor at Durfee. "I plan on staying awhile," said Mr. Fernandes. "Diman's student body is good and the faculty is very much aware of how the students think. It's great."

Guidance counselors are busy conversing with students, helping them with personal problems and guiding those who are not getting along with teachers or other classmates. One of



Mr. Fernandes

Mr. Fernandes's major goals is to prepare students for life after high school, whether that be college, military or work. He suggests that every student, "prepare themselves for whatever they want to do with their lives. Strive to do your best."

Anyone who has Mr. Fernandes as a guidance counselor is lucky to have him. He will try to help people as best as he can. "Hopefully, he will," as he says, "stay awhile."

L.O.F.T.

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For awhile, Mr. Bentley has been speaking about the L.O.F.T. but what exactly is it? The L.O.F.T. is a new organization run by the local YMCA of Fall River on 199 North Main Street. L.O.F.T. stands for Leadership Opportunities for Teens.

The L.O.F.T. features a game room, project place, recreation time, leaders in training, and a resource and computer center. All these resources are available for teen use.
L.O.F.T. hours are as follows:
General hours:
Friday 7-10 p.m.
Saturday 6-10 p.m.

The resource and computer center:
Monday - Thursday 3-9 p.m.
Friday 7-9:30 p.m.
Saturday 6-9:30 p.m.

For admission into the L.O.F.T. there is a one time registration fee of $10 and $1 per visit. If you want more information on the L.O.F.T., the YMCA encourages you to call Bud Evans, Youth Services Director, at (508) 675-7841.

"We're all in this together - by ourselves"

Lily Tomlin