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growing up



In Stamford

W e may all call this city our home, but few of us can claim childhood memories in Stamford from before it became the City That Works, when people who-knew-it-then tell us it was quieter, less hectic, and made up of close-knit neighborhoods. To hear the stories, though, taps into our collective nostalgia, and because of our familiarity with the area, we too can envision how it might have looked, felt and sounded. Definitely different—but still familiar.

We came to this conclusion after turning to the ten residents we called on to share their

recollections. This being a main feature of our anniversary issue, our intent was to look back and enjoy a walk down memory lane; our storytellers certainly did. But with talk focused on the past as experienced by the people who lived it, we were also taught that growing up in Stamford was special for the unique reasons described. And with that comes not only shared pride in these pictures of the past but also a feeling of inclusion in the always evolving story of this town. It all certainly explains why we live here, and why so many who have known this city all their lives made it a point to come back. —Camilla A. Herrera

Mia Schipani, right, when she was nine, with her friend Missy Palkimas



David Gingari with his parents, Sam and Catherine, at his graduation from St. Basil's Prep, 1979



Renee Bornstein, at six, with her brother, John Romano Jr.



Joan Kikta, left, when she was six, with her cousin Mary Malizia



Cristin Marandino, four years old



Rick Redniss, 1957

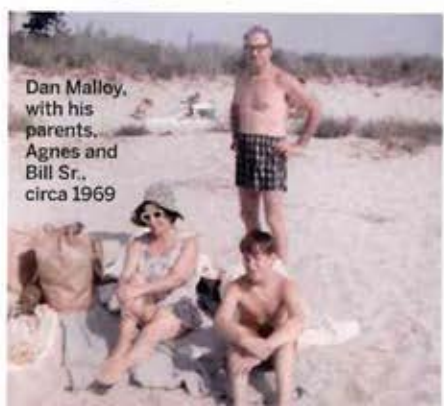
Bobby Valentine standing fourth from right, in 1962



Jeffrey and Robin Selden in 1985



Jennifer Segovia in 1991



Dan Malloy, with his parents, Agnes and Bill Sr., circa 1969