

Well, as the old saying tells, all good things must come to an end, so at this time I find it appropriate to close the **1986 Franciscan.** Producing a yearbook is obviously not an individual effort. There are many individuals who either directly or indirectly affect the production of the yearbook, and they all merit thanks.

Firstly, to Dudley and Shirley of Lorstan-Thomas Photography studios, I thank you for your endless patience and understanding when there were those times that I know I must have driven you crazy.

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Also, a big thanks to everyone in St. Francis who gave myself and the staff a great year to record.

Finally, there is the staff of the **Franciscan**. How do I go about thanking a group of people who stuck together, worked so hard, and put up with my occasional (O.K. more than occasional) ranting and raving? I cannot possibly put into words how much I appreciated all of you and how much I will miss you. The most I can say is that it was a truly unforgettable experience working with the staff and one I would not have missed. There are also people who were not directly on staff, but we owe a lot to: Danny, thanks for a terrific art job on the cover and dividers, you truly captured the essence of the yearbook, and Chris, thanks so much for the use of the camera.

Looking back on the past year, I tend to focus more on the good days and am starting to forget about the dreaded all night sessions, and Saturdays spent in completing this yearbook. Generally, I am coming away from this experience with good feelings, and the bad feelings, I'm sure will go away after a few years of good therapy! I hope everyone enjoys this yearbook as much as the staff has in bringing it to you. I wish everyone at St. Francis a bright and happy future.

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