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Fourteen years ago a group of men, all of whom had or had had boys in Deerfield Academy, gathered in New York to hear Frank Boyden discuss the problems and future of the school. The result of this meeting was the organization of the Volunteer Committee of Parents of Deerfield Boys. The names of this organization group of parents, together with a few who have since been added, are on the letterhead above.

At the request of the group, I (the father of two boys) agreed to write a letter to all the parents setting forth the problems and dangers confronting the school. Over this period of fourteen years I have written 25 letters, and they, with no personal solicitation whatever, have brought in free-will gifts totalling \$5,500,000.

When the first letter was mailed there were on the campus two modern brick buildings; the other buildings were wooden and old, and potential fire-traps. The boys had to stand in line, in rain or snow, waiting to get into the Dining Hall. The Sunday night Sing was held in the old dormitory, the showing of movies took place in an old barn, and Mr. Boyden sat in his office with his fingers crossed praying that nobody would drop a match. There was no adequate Infirmary. A sick boy had to be sent home or to the hospital in Greenfield.

The \$5,500,000 has built a beautiful Dining Hall, Infirmary, the Alumni Memorial Building, five dormitories, the Hockey Rink, and the Maintenance Building, which houses all the equipment used in the care and up-keep of the campus.

So far as is known, no other educational institution in America has ever raised so handsome a sum solely through the generosity and devotion of parents and alumni. The gifts have ranged from one dollar to \$400,000, and many of the smaller gifts have meant real sacrifice.