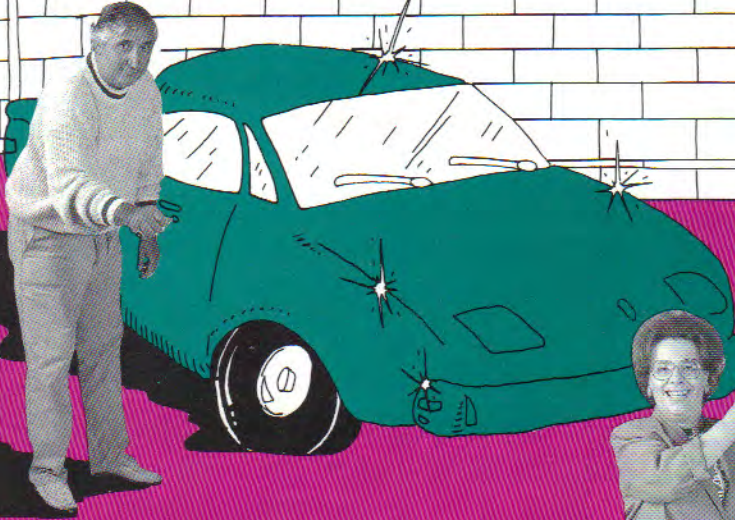


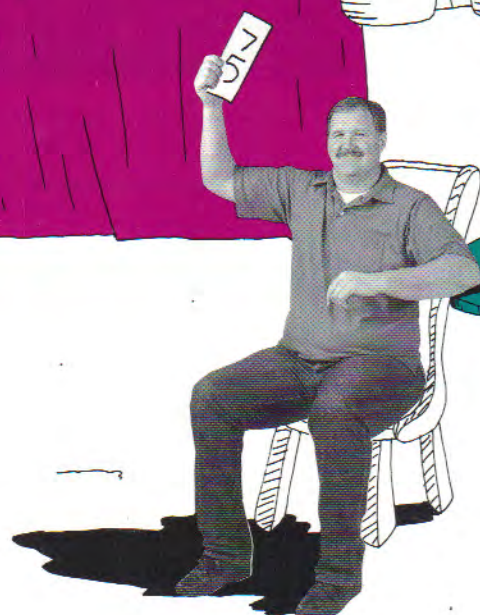
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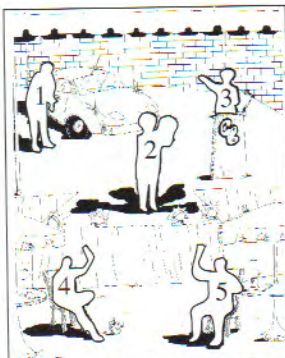
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- 20 Father's Day
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COVER:

SPIRIT Auction/Car Drawing Committee members depict the fun and excitement of auction day in this illustration by CB senior Bobby Podesta. Pictured are: 1) Bob LaBella, 2) Marissa Barone, 3) Jean Lahey, 4) Chet Waterbury and 5) Monte Endicott.



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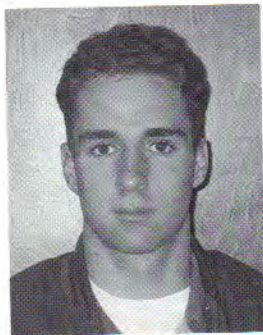
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CB Students are Going Places

Christian Brothers students are going places and creating educational experiences for themselves both in and out of the classroom. This past year, some students traveled to distant locations around the world while others made a name for themselves without ever leaving Sacramento. Here is a sample of some of the many activities CB students participated in during the 1992-93 school year.

Raymond Cordano

Traveling abroad and studying with students from other countries is a dream of many young people today, but few are able to make such a dream come true.



Raymond Cordano

Junior Ray Cordano has lived that dream, and says he would do it all again if given the opportunity. "Experiencing another country's customs and culture is one of the best educational experiences there is," reflects Ray.

Ray's adventure abroad began last summer when he and 200 other high school students flew to Australia for a month long visit sponsored by the organization People to People, which specializes in sending students from throughout the United States on trips to other countries around the world. While in Australia, Ray snorkeled the Great Barrier Reef, attended social activities, stayed with host families, and learned a great deal about the Australian way of life.

With the experiences of last summer behind him, Ray now has his sites set on the future. He has a strong interest in ar-

chitecture, and also in criminal justice as possible career paths, and plans to attend college in southern California.

Alina Cervantes

Not many high school students spend their time outside the classroom hosting a nation wide television program, singing at the Apollo Theater in New York City, or traveling throughout the country on their own. Alina Cervantes spent her senior year doing all these activities and more.



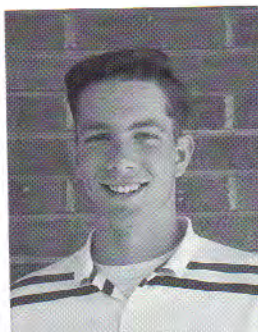
Alina Cervantes

Alina started her young career in 1990 when she auditioned for Scratch, an energetic, high school television program hosted by students from throughout the greater Sacramento area. Scratch, which airs locally at 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays on KXTV Channel 10, deals with topics pertinent to teenagers like Alina. Usually filmed on location throughout the U.S., it is not unusual for Alina to be in New York one week and Los Angeles the next. "I really enjoy the travel as well as the free relaxed feeling we create on the show", says Alina.

While Alina is making the most of her experience here at CB, she is also preparing for the future. She plans to major in child psychology in college while also pursuing an interest in writing. "Mrs. Cassetta, my English teacher, has inspired me a great deal because she understands and appreciates my poetry", explains Alina.

Kevin McKechnie

Anyone following CB sports this year will recognize the name Kevin McKechnie. The senior quarterback, who lead the Falcon football team in an outstanding season hasn't traveled to



Kevin McKechnie

far away places to make a name for himself. His skill on the football field and his achievements in the classroom have made Kevin somewhat of a celebrity around Christian Brothers. Among the many awards bestowed upon Kevin this year were the Superior California Player of the Year, the Sacramento Bee Tom McKan Scholar/Athlete of the Year and selection to play in both the Shrine and Optimist All Star Games.

Perhaps of all the recognition Kevin has received this year, it's the Scholar/Athlete Award that best describes why the CB senior is bound to go places in the future. With a 3.83 GPA he was heavily recruited by several Pacific-10 schools before settling on San Diego State University where he will receive a full scholarship.

"Being competitive in football has definitely helped me with school", says Kevin. "I've learned discipline and the importance of a competitive edge from my athletic experience at CB. This will help me succeed in college, both on the playing field and in the classroom."

Holly Thompson

If you are looking for Holly Thompson, you might find her in Santa Rosa, or maybe Stockton, or you could try Del Paso. Anywhere there's an ice skating rink, you're likely to find the CB sophomore.



Holly Thompson

During the week Holly spends about two hours a day on the ice, perfecting her routines and practicing more advanced moves to add to her repertoire.

Most weekends are also devoted to training or to competing in regional contests. "Figure skating, like anything you want to do well, requires a certain amount of dedication," explains Holly. "But I also really enjoy what I'm doing, so I don't mind devoting so much time to skating".

Holly is currently working to master the fifth of eight levels of skating difficulty and hopes to one day compete in national competitions.

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Brother Joseph Accepts Appointment in Minnesota



Brother Joseph

Brother Joseph, who has been serving as the acting president of Christian Brothers High School for the past year, describes his recent appointment as Vice President for Institutional Advancement of St. Mary's College in Minnesota as a 'bitter sweet' opportunity in what everyone agrees has already been an impressive record of educational service. "As a Brother and as an educator, CB has always been

"What I've tried to do throughout the year is focus on why our volunteers are here and empower them to serve our kids well"

home," explains Brother Joseph. "So I am filled with sadness as I ponder saying goodbye to my Christian Brothers family, but I am also filled with great anticipation as I prepare to take on new responsibilities at St. Mary's College." Brother Joseph will report to St. Mary's

on July 1, 1993. He will continue serving as acting President of Christian Brothers until his departure early this summer.

Brother Joseph is no stranger to St. Mary's College in Winona, Minnesota. He earned a Masters in Philanthropy and Development from the College before

"As a Brother and as an educator, CB has always been home"

coming to Christian Brothers 1991. "I'm looking forward to being a part of that development team again," explains Brother Joseph. "Going back to work with old friends makes leaving Christian Brothers a little easier."

Brother Joseph's appointment to the post at St. Mary's is the culmination of some 20 years of service as a Brother which was inspired by his experience as a student at De LaSalle High School in Concord. "It was the personal attention I received from the Brothers that made me entertain the notion of becoming a Brother myself," recalls Brother Joseph. "I've tried to do the same for our students at Christian Brothers today. That's why we've added faculty, strengthened our counseling program, broadened the scope of our athletic program, and built the computer center-- to serve our students well and provide the best possible Lasallian Education."

After graduating with a degree in American History from St. Mary's College in Moraga, Brother Joseph's first appointment was right here at Christian Brothers High School where he started teaching in 1978. In 1981 he became Vice Principal/Dean of Students at CB before moving on to other assignments in 1985. He returned to Christian

Brothers in 1991 as Assistant to the President and assumed the position of President Pro Tem in April of last year.

When asked to reflect upon the past year, Brother Joseph credits much of the year's successes to the overwhelming support the school has received from volunteers. "What I've tried to do throughout the year is focus on why our volunteers are here and empower them to serve our kids well," he explains. "We've tried to give them a stake in the educational experience of our students and I think that has paid off." Brother Joseph goes on to say that by focusing on the needs of our students today, we will continue to attract more students

"Going back to work with old friends makes leaving Christian Brothers a little easier."

and be able to provide more financial assistance. "If we do that, we will have no choice but to let a new school grow up around us," comments Brother Joseph.

"It is with mixed emotions that we say goodbye to Brother Joseph," says Laura Yanes, President of the Christian Brothers Board of Regents. "On the one hand we are very excited for him and this new opportunity, but on the other, we will miss his presence here at Christian Brothers. His contributions to the Board of Regents have been invaluable." Christian Brothers Principal Dom Puglisi echoes Ms. Yanes' comments. "Brother Joseph has been an inspiration to me and the rest of the staff and faculty here at CB. He has always looked out for our students' best interests and has been a driving force behind making our new President-Principal model work to benefit the entire school." ❖

CB Boosters Cash in on Successful Fundraising Season

The Christian Brothers Boosters have concluded another successful fundraising season, a year characterized by enthusiastic involvement by all members and steadfast support for the school's athletic program.

Keeping up with such an aggressive fundraising calendar was only possible because of the many Booster volunteers who dedicated countless hours of their own time to insure our students have the equipment and facilities they need to excel in athletics at Christian Brothers. "Boosters always give 100%," explains **Jim Lombardo**, President of the Boosters. "Whether its putting on a top notch crab feed or building a first class softball field, the Boosters are committed to doing the very best for our students."

The Boosters' fundraising efforts began long before the start of the school year with a fireworks booth in July. **Al Hinojosa** and **Bette Moreno** co-chaired this successful event. They received lots of help from **Anna Lee Caudwell**, **Chris Cossetta**, **Terry Vandeliniski**, **George Smith**, **Tim Lilly**, **CB Principal Dom**



Boosters Crab Feed Co-Chairs, Phyllis and Bob Donnalley, take time out for a photo during the middle of another successful Booster event.



Al Hinojosa (far left) accepts the winning ticket for the Spring Holiday Raffle drawn by Brother Joseph at the Boosters Rigatoni Dinner while volunteers Phyllis Donnalley, Bette Moreno, Jake Killian, and Lois Curtis look on in anticipation.

Puglisi, and Athletic Director **Danny Delgado**.

The annual Red/Blue Scrimmage in August proved to be another Booster success. **Phyllis Donnalley** chaired the event which was attended by approximately three hundred student athletes, parents, family members and friends who watched and participated in demonstrations of the many sports offered at CB. Volunteers who made the event possible included **Jim Lombardo** and **Al Hinojosa** on the barbecue, **Jake Killian** and **May Backer** at the ticket window, and **Debbi Lauer**, **Kandi Crosby**, and **Lois Curtis** serving lunch.

The Boosters began work on a new girls softball field in September, a project that kept the group busy throughout the school year. **Ed Sequeria** was the driving force behind the project. Together with **Joe Soto**, **Carlos Sariva**, **Mike Heine**, **Joe Guillermie**, and **Danny Delgado**, Ed put in hundreds of man hours into construction of the field. "It just goes to show you what we can ac-

complish if we put our minds to it," concludes Ed, who by the way, donated fertilizer and grass seed for the field along with **Frances** and **John Kilgour** of **Ditch Witch Company** who donated their services and **A & T Sprinkler Service** which provided the sprinkler piping for the field.

December found the Boosters hosting one basketball tournament after another culminating with the popular **CB Christmas Classic** held during the last weekend of the month. Boosters volunteers, **Bette Moreno**, **Phyllis Donnalley**, and **Jake Killian**, prepared lunch for the players and coaches every day and provided a hospitality room for visiting coaches. **Al Hinojosa** helped to secure business donations for the event. With the help of **Ron Limeberger** the Boosters replicated their efforts two months later when they hosted the annual **St. Annes/ CB Basketball Tournament**.

Crab Feed aficionados won't soon forget the Boosters Crab Feed in February.

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James Dunphy Named 1992 Ambassador of the Year

James Dunphy (class of '41) was named Christian Brothers Ambassador of the Year for 1992 at the annual Ambassadors Dinner held on the CB campus on February 4, 1993.

Dunphy was selected from among the membership of the Ambassadors based on his consistent loyalty, support, and aid to the students of Christian Brothers High School.

Long time Christian Brothers friend, Brother Bertram, was at the dinner and introduced James Dunphy to the audience. "His support of his Alma Mater has been evident over many years," said Brother Bertram in his introduction. "James has been a consistent contributor to the Annual Alumni Appeal and in recent years has set up a scholarship in the memory of his parents."

Brother Joseph presented the award to Dunphy who expressed his gratitude and genuine surprise about receiving the honor. "Those who are aware of James' support of Christian Brothers aren't surprised that he was named Ambassador of the Year," said



James Dunphy receives congratulations from Brother Bertram moments after being named 1992 Ambassador of the Year by Brother Joseph at the Ambassadors Dinner on February 4, 1993.

Brother Joseph after the presentation. "As a Regent, he has given countless hours of his time to advise and assist the school administration in its efforts to continue to provide the means for a quality education for the students here at Christian Brothers." ♦

Graduation Night Celebration Keeps Students Safe

Do you remember the excitement surrounding your graduation from Christian Brothers High School? Besides the graduation ceremony itself, you probably recall a great deal of celebrating afterwards with classmates and friends eager to share in your accomplishments. While you may have fond memories of your graduation celebration, in recent years more and more young people have experienced tragedy on their graduation night when alcohol use and driving have proven to be a deadly combination.

This year the parents of Christian Brothers High School are taking steps to insure that our children will be safe during their graduation night celebrations by planning the school's first ever Grad Night. The event will take place immediately after graduation ceremonies on Friday, May 21, 1993 at Rancho Arroyo Sports Complex in Sacramento. "We are planning this all-night party for the school's graduating seniors in an effort to provide our kids a safe, alcohol and drug free, non-driving environment in which they can celebrate their accomplish-

ments without endangering themselves or others", explains Linda Panattoni, Grad Night Chairperson.

Seniors attending the party will enjoy sports activities plus be treated to entertainment throughout the night.

Dave and Susan Murphy, Edward C. Brodie Insurance Brokers, Inc., and Independent Auto Brokers have generously provided support for the event, but additional support is still needed to make Grad Night a success. Anyone interested in supporting this event can call Linda Panattoni at 916-451-2564. ♦



1992 Lasalle Baseball Hall of Fame Inductees: Back Row: Frank Silvey, Jim McCarthy, Ellis Daugherty, Gabe Sady, Gus Stathos, Lilio Marcucci. Front Row: Sal Gomez, Ray Gallagher, Joe Felipe, Ned Pedisich, Edmond Silvey. Not pictured: Mike Sypnicki.

Hall of Fame Inductees Honored at Annual Dinner

Mr. Vince Stanich, chairman of the LaSalle Baseball Club Hall of Fame Dinner, has announced that twelve new members will be inducted into the LaSalle Baseball Hall of Fame at the club's annual dinner on Friday evening, April 23, 1993 on the Christian Brothers Campus.

The LaSalle Club is the predecessor of the CB Boosters and has been providing financial assistance to the school's athletic department for over 50 years.

Reservations for the April 23rd dinner must be made in advance by calling the Christian Brothers Development Department at 733-3600. Cost for the dinner is \$10.00 per person. ♦

Excitement Mounts As Spirit

The excitement is mounting on the CB campus as staff and volunteers make final plans for the annual Christian Brothers Spirit Auction and Car Drawing planned for Sunday, May 2, 1993. This year's theme, "It Happened in May," seems particularly appropriate for what is sure to be the school's largest fundraising event of the year. "Our staff and many dedicated volunteers have gone to great lengths to maintain the quality of this event," comments Jean Lahey, Director of the Auction. "We have secured some spectacular items for both the silent and oral auctions thanks to generous donations from alumni and friends of CB," she adds.

In addition to the car drawing, the \$200 ticket price also makes participants eligible to win one of four \$1000 cash prizes that are awarded prior to the final car drawing.

One of Sacramento's best known auctioneers, Vance Van Tassell, will conduct the oral auction again this year. "Vance is very entertaining and also does a great job with the auction itself," explains Jean Lahey. "This is his fifth year as our auctioneer and some say it's worth the ticket price just to see Vance in action."

The automobile selected for the car drawing this year is a 1993 Ford Probe, provided at a special price by Bob Creedon of Senator Ford. Powered by a 16-valve, multi-port fuel injected 2.0-liter engine, the Probe is Bright Calypso Green and comes with a great list of standard features including body contoured bucket seats, analog gauges, an AM/FM stereo sound system, a driver air bag restraint system, and 50/50 split



Bob Creedon of Senator Ford hands over the keys to the 1993 Ford Probe to Frank Vellutini, Chair of the Spirit Auction Sponsorship Committee.

rear seats. The Probe normally retails for \$15,000, but the \$200 Auction ticket makes all those attending the Spirit Auction eligible to win the automobile in the drawing held at the end of the day. "Only 500 tickets will be sold again this year," reminds Chet Waterbury, Chair of the Auction Ticket Committee. "So your chances of winning the car are pretty darn good." In addition to the car drawing, the \$200 ticket price also

"Our staff and many dedicated volunteers have gone to great lengths to maintain the quality of this event,"

makes participants eligible to win one of four \$1000 cash prizes that are awarded prior to the final car drawing.

Besides the car drawing, the silent auction returns again this year with a wide variety of items valued at \$50 and

above including gift certificates, a variety of wines, fine coffees, CB Spirit Wear, and much, much more.

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As in past years, the oral auction includes more extravagant items valued at \$200 and above like travel packages, vacations, entertainment packages, special event tickets, and audio equipment. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served throughout both the silent and oral auctions and a hosted bar is also planned as part of the Auction festivities.

Besides strong ticket sales this year, the Auction has received tremendous support through sponsorships. "But it's not too late to become a sponsor your-

Auction Draws Closer

self," says Frank Vellutini, Chairman of the Sponsorship Committee. "Anyone interested should contact Jean Lahey in the Development Office right away," he adds.

While Jean Lahey is happy to talk to those interested in participating in the Auction as a sponsor, she is quick to remind friends of CB that now is also the time to purchase Auction tickets. "Don't miss your chance to win a 1993 Ford Probe or one of the four \$1,000 cash prizes," she says. "Come and be a part of

a Christian Brothers tradition."

With all the hard work and preparation that Jean and many dedicated volunteers have put into the Auction, 'It Happened In May' will no doubt be the event of the season. ❖



Anna Lea Caudwell and Jan LaBella busy at work preparing for the Spirit Auction.

Spirit Auction "Happens in May", Benefits Students Throughout The Year

With all the fun and excitement surrounding the Christian Brothers Spirit Auction, it's easy to forget the important role this event plays in the school's annual fundraising budget. Projected to raise \$120,000 this year, the Spirit Auction brings in more dollars than the rest of Christian Brothers' annual fundraising events combined.

"It's an event that makes a difference in the quality of programs we can offer our students," explains Brother Joseph. "It helps Christian Brothers maintain a higher quality of education and services than most other high schools in the Sacramento area."

Last year, proceeds raised from the Spirit Auction not only benefited classroom instruction and faculty development at CB, but also supported a wide range of programs including the campus ministry, boys and girls athletics, career guidance, admissions, facility improvements and plant maintenance.

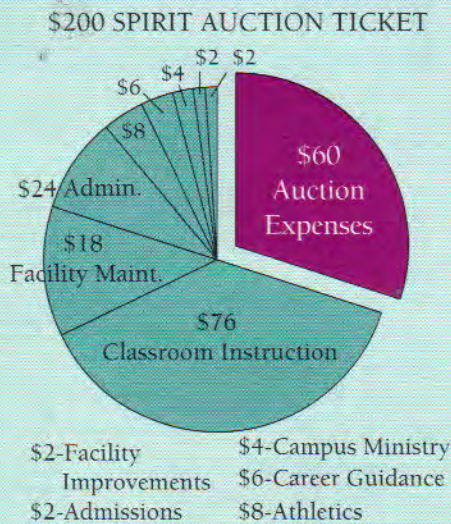
Since the Spirit Auction comprises almost 52% of the school's total unrestricted contributed income each year, Christian Brothers relies on support from businesses and individuals in the community to insure that the Auction is a success.

When you purchase a \$200 ticket to the Auction, you're doing much more than taking a chance at winning a car or one of the four \$1,000 cash

prizes. You're helping make possible the educational experience we provide all students who attend Christian Brothers High School.

A quick glance at the illustration, bottom left, demonstrates the wide range of programs that benefit from the proceeds of the Spirit Auction. As you can see, the majority of each ticket purchased, some \$76, goes directly to classroom instruction. "In terms of what other Christian Brothers schools are doing in our District, we are at the top in dedicating the largest percentage of our budget (54%) to the classroom," explains Jeff Knezovich, Chief Financial Officer at the school. "Conversely, we are among those schools in the District which spend the least amount of the annual budget on administrative expenses," he adds.

So when you purchase your Auction ticket or support the Spirit Auction as a sponsor, you can be sure that your gift is being put to good use in the classroom, making a difference in the educational experience of all students who attend Christian Brothers. ❖



Golden Diplomas Awarded at Annual Alumni Dinner



Brother Joseph (far left) with members of the Class of 1943 at the annual Alumni Dinner held on January 15, 1993. All class members were awarded golden diplomas in commemoration of their fifty years association with Christian Brothers High School.

A strong turn-out and special recognition of the class of 1943 made this year's annual Alumni Dinner on January 15th an overwhelming success. Despite inclement weather, over 300 alumni attended the dinner, including fourteen members of the class of 1943 who were presented with golden diplomas in commemoration of their fifty years of association with Christian

Brothers High School. "We appreciate those alumni who have dedicated so many years of service to our alma mater," explained **Kevin Valine**, president of the Alumni Association. "Our annual Alumni Dinner provides the perfect opportunity to give these men the recognition they deserve."

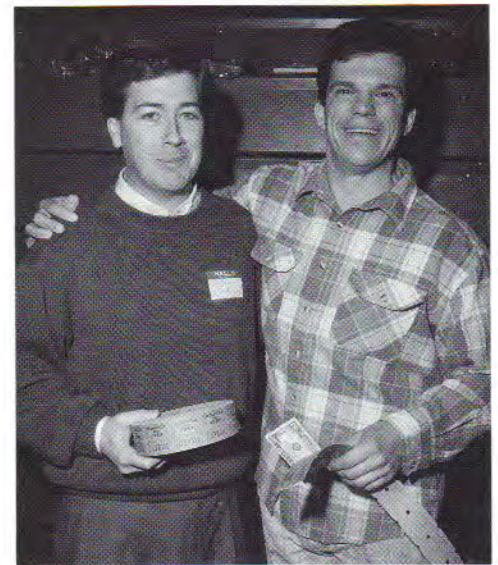
Also on hand at the dinner was **Edmond Silvey**, graduate of the class of 1918, who at the age of 92 is the oldest living Christian Brothers alumnus. Mr. Silvey received special recognition from Brother Joseph and a standing ovation from everyone at the dinner. (For the record, **Herbert Bronner** is a graduate of the class of 1917, but will only celebrate his 90th birthday in April.)

Much of the success for this year's dinner is due to the efforts of dinner co-chairs, **Mike Cook** (class of '78) and **Mike Lahey** (class of '79) who insured the dinner was well publicized, coordinated all the dinner arrangements with the school and the chefs, and secured underwriting for the dinner from El Dorado Savings Bank.

The annual dinner is attended by Christian Brothers graduates from all

class years who enjoy an evening of fun and camaraderie with their former classmates. The dinner is also a fundraiser which raises money for the Alumni Scholarship, sponsored by the Cima, Bianchini and Carson families. "We really like the opportunity to give back to the school," explained **Doug Carson**, a member of the cooking crew.

Living up to their reputation for preparing authentic Italian cuisine, representatives from the three families treated this year's dinner attendees to a



Co-Chairs of the Alumni Dinner, Mike Cook (left) and Mike Lahey (right), showing their camaraderie, as they prepare for the raffle drawing.

buffet of specially prepared steak, pasta in cream sauce, garden salad and fresh bread.

"This was truly an evening of good food and good company," reflects Mike Cook. "We had such a good time we're already looking forward to next year," adds Mike Lahey. Based on the positive feedback we've received from those who attended the dinner this year, there are plenty more CB alumni looking forward to next year's celebration. ❖



Ed Silvey, age 92, (right) receives special recognition at the Alumni Dinner as the oldest living CB alumnus from Brother Joseph (left) as Mr. Silvey's nephew, Dr. Francis Silvey, (center) looks on.

Christian Brothers is a Kirrene Family Tradition

When Kenny Kirrene graduated from Christian Brothers High School in 1978, he never thought he'd find himself back in a CB classroom five days a week. But Kenny's grandfather, Joe Kirrene, likes to think it was destiny that brought Kenny back to CB as an English and Spanish teacher. "The Kirrene family has been a part of Christian Brothers for over fifty years," explains Joe. "You might say Kenny is just carrying on a family tradition."

That family tradition dates back to 1941 when Joe and his wife Florence attended a CB event and got hooked on the school. "We were impressed from the very beginning," recalls Joe. "There was no doubt after that evening that our boys would go to Christian Brothers." And so when they were old enough, Joe's four sons, Joe Jr., Jerry, Bob, and Tom were all sent to Christian Brothers High School where they graduated in 1949, 1953, 1956, and 1963 respectively.

By 1945 Joe was volunteering much of his free time away from his responsibilities with Graybar Electric Company to the Christian Brothers La Salle Club, the predecessor of the CB Boosters. He first started helping the group by selling tickets to fundraisers that supported the school's athletic programs. Soon Joe began moving up through the ranks of the organization serving as the secretary, treasurer and twice as president. While fundraising can be tough work for a volunteer, Joe seemed to thrive on it. "I liked what I was doing," he explains. "And I enjoyed working with the school and the Brothers".

In the meantime, Joe's sons were also making their presence on the CB campus known. Joe Jr. excelled in both basketball and baseball, and signed a professional contract to play baseball with the Chicago White Sox in 1949. Jerry followed in his older brother's foot-

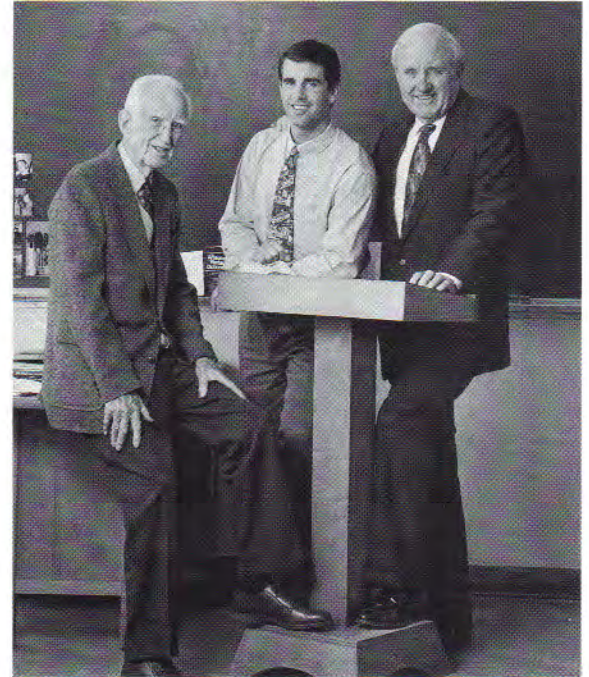
steps and was named on the All-City basketball and baseball teams during his tenure at CB. Both Bob and Tom also participated in Falcon athletics during their years at Christian Brothers.

When the Kirrene clan wasn't on the playing field they were busy helping their father with La Salle Club fundraisers. "The boys were all good at helping out with events like our 'Fall Frolic'," recalls Joe. "Just like the Boosters today, if the La Salle Club hadn't raised the money needed for the athletic program, our students would have had to go without," adds Jerry. "Our dad taught us the important role volunteers play at a school like Christian Brothers."

Following his father's example, Jerry eventually went on to serve as president of the Christian Brothers Alumni Association and encouraged sons Kenny and David to attend Christian Brothers.

Kenny's path back to the school after graduation wasn't quite as direct as his father's however. Before he came to teach at Christian Brothers last fall, Kenny had been working in southern California in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps and then at Daniel Murphy High School in Los Angeles where he was named teacher of the year in 1992.

Kenny and his wife, Dawn, had been thinking about returning to the Sacramento area last year, when Christian Brothers Principal Dom Puglisi offered Kenny a teaching position at CB. The couple didn't have to think twice about accepting the offer. "We not only felt like we were coming home to Sacramento," explains Kenny. "But we felt like we were coming home to Christian Brothers too." "It's exciting to have



Kenny Kirrene with his grandfather, Joe Sr., (left) and father, Jerry, (right) in Kenny's classroom at Christian Brothers.

Kenny here at CB again," adds Jerry. "I know he's helping kids have the same kind of experience he had as a student and that I had before him."

While Joe did not graduate from Christian Brothers like his sons and grandsons, he was made an honorary graduate of the class of 1923 and was honored in 1984 for his forty years of involvement with the school. "People still talk about that party today," says Joe. "You might say the Brothers really know how to celebrate." In their defense, the Brothers certainly had a reason to celebrate with Joe. To date, there is nobody at any of the Christian Brothers schools who has had more continuous volunteer service than Joe Kirrene. "You might say Christian Brothers is in our blood," Joe says with a smile. "And with Kenny back on campus again, our service to the school continues." ♦

Parents, Alumni Renew Support During Annual Appeal Campaigns

CB parents and alumni continued their support of Christian Brothers High School by contributing generously to their respective appeal campaigns again this year. "Despite these tough economic times, our parents and alumni have renewed or even increased their gifts to Christian Brothers," commented Brother Joseph. "We are fortunate to have supporters who understand the importance of an ongoing annual gift to the school."



The Alumni Appeal Campaign kicked off on February 1, 1993 when students began calling alumni to ask for their support.

Both the Parent Appeal and the Alumni Appeal were conducted during the spring semester this year instead of in the fall as in past years. The alumni campaign kicked off on February 1 when students began a telefunding effort directed at alumni who have responded to telephone calls in the past.

Besides the telefunding effort, Alumni Association board members made personal calls to other alumni who they knew to ask them for a gift to the campaign. The La Salle League also volunteered to help the Alumni Board with some direct solicitation.

The parent appeal also enjoyed a tremendous amount of success this spring. Several dedicated parents from the Parent Service Organization (PSO), including **Chet Waterbury** and **Peggy Moser** volunteered their evenings and Sundays to call other parents and ask for their support.

"All parents and alumni who gave to the annual appeal campaigns are greatly appreciated," stresses Brother Joseph. "We count on their continued support to help us provide a quality Catholic college preparatory education to our students." ❖

CB Boosters

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Besides great food, the event went off without a hitch thanks to careful planning by co-chairs **Phyllis and Bob Donnalley**. Although there were some eleven other crab feeds taking place that evening in Sacramento, the Boosters enjoyed a very strong turnout for the feed. Many Boosters helped lend a hand with the event including **Phil and Louella Cruz**, **Bette Moreno**, **Roger and Jake Killian** and **Jim Lombardo**. **Greg Kassis** of Wholesale Cash & Carry Foods provided underwriting for the crab feed.

March came in like a lion and that's just how the Boosters tackled the annual Rigatoni/Raffle this year. Typically the largest fundraiser the Boosters host dur-

ing the year, the Rigatoni/Raffle includes participation by students who sell raffle tickets for vacation get away packages in an effort to win cash prizes themselves. **Lois Curtis**, **Marisa Barone**, and **Jake Killian** volunteered countless hours to this labor-intensive effort and deserve much of the credit its organization.

Despite their year of successes, don't think for one moment that the Boosters are resting on their laurels. Already they are making plans for the July fireworks sales, arranging to have two booths this year instead of one to increase profits. And later this month Booster volunteers will help host the La Salle Hall of Fame Dinner here on the CB campus. **Roger Killian** is the Booster liaison for the event this year. ❖

CB Students

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Rayne Soriano

For many American teenagers, Moscow is a place of unknown people, ideas, and attitudes. For senior, Rayne Soriano, however, Moscow is where warm hearted people welcome you with friendly smiles.

Rayne had the opportunity to travel to Moscow last fall after he was selected by the St. Anne Diocese of Sacramento to be a delegate to the World Youth Congress. Students from 150 countries

around the world traveled to Moscow to draw up a peace plan to propose to the Pope. The council met for ten days to discuss societal issues and draft a proposal calling for world peace. "Participating in the



Rayne Soriano

World Youth Conference in Moscow was definitely the highlight of my year," reflects Rayne. "Not only did I come away with a better understanding of our world community, but I also learned that the people of Moscow are not much different from people anywhere else when it comes right down to it."

As Senior Student Council Representative, and founder of Halo Halo (a student Pacific Islander and Asian Club), Rayne believes diversity and cultural awareness are important parts of the educational experience at CB. "Christian Brothers is more like the real world than most other private high schools," he explains. "I've enjoyed our diverse student body and the opportunity to learn about other cultures." Although Rayne would enjoy going back to Moscow, he says any future travel will have to wait until after college. With a 4.19 accumulative G.P.A., Rayne has been accepted to the University of San Francisco's school of nursing, where he plans to study to become a pediatrician. ❖

Class Notes



Vienna Cornacchioli Golsong ('61)

Greetings to all you wonderful Christian Brothers High School alumni. It seems like only a month ago I was writing about the holiday season, and now here we are already in the Lenten season and preparing for one of the most beautiful holidays of the liturgical calendar. With the drought finally over, I can't help but feel that the Lord's plan for the economy will also be evident in the years to come. I would like to wish all of you a very happy and holy Easter.

On to alumni news:

1958-Ron Bond is now an account manager for the Simmons Company. He and his wife are the proud grandparents of a seven month old. Ron has also just recently restored a 1958 Corvette roadster.

1959-JoAnn Anglin, Peggy Flynn, Shirley(Power) Lutgen, and Linda Bell McAlpine are all living in the Sacramento area and get together every few months to exchange news of jobs, children and photos of family activities. Linda is on the board of the Sacramento Food Bank and one of the founders of the Sacramento Reading Center. She has recruited JoAnn to participate in the Reading Center Board.

1960-Gerry Zemlicka is living in Van Nuys with his wife Paulette. He says he is looking for retirement property in Sacramento. Gerry is a meter reader and

leak inspector for the Southern California Gas Company.

1961-Barbara Gonzales is the owner of an antique shop in Sacramento called Midtown Attic. I wondered into Barbara's store one day and had the pleasure of reacquainting myself with our former classmate. I was amazed by the incredible collection of antique furniture and accessories throughout her store.

1963-Patrick Murphy and his wife Marilyn recently relocated to Sacramento after living in Lake Tahoe, Big Sur and San Diego. Pat transferred from the California Department of Parks and Recreation, to the California Environmental Protection Agency as an Associate Waste Management Specialist.

Michael Vernetti has joined Kaufman Public Relations in Washington D.C. as senior vice-president in charge of the firm's public affairs activities. Michael has worked in Washington's political and business circles since 1977.

1964-Dr. Miles V. Stanich was recently elected Chief of Staff at Mission Bay Hospital in San Diego for the 1994/95 term. Congratulations Miles!

1967-Alfio Canigila shares that his son, Matt, class of '89, who plays football for the St. Mary's Gails, finished 6th on the all-time reception list and 5th in all-time receiving yards in Gaels history. Matt was named Most Valuable Player and is also the only CB player in the last seven years to play football for the Gaels. Alfio hopes that another player from CB will step up and continue tradition.

Mark Mckechine, his wife and two children are living in Annapolis, Maryland. He is the director of marketing for an Architectural firm in Washington, D.C.. Mark attended his 25th high school reunion last year and he wrote a touching letter about his reunion upon returning home. I couldn't help but reflect on the

reunions I've attended. Our 30th reunion seemed to be the best for me, which proved that people do season with age. I would like to send Mark's letter to anyone who is hesitant about attending their own reunion. This would surely cure your ills. Thank you Mark for sharing your thoughts.

1980-Leland Taylor is an apparatus operator for the City of Palo Alto Fire Department. He lives in Antioch with his wife Karen and two beautiful children. Leland also reports that Mike Lint is now a paramedic in Sacramento.

1983-Bruce Hutchings recently accepted a position with Glaxo in Newport beach as a respiratory sales specialist. Bruce's better half, Michelle, works in advertizing.

1984-Don Saner, Jr. is a sales manager for Financial Insurance Services, Inc. a company owned by his father. He has also worked for several other major life insurance companies. After experiencing all those other companies first, Don can honestly advise, "You've tried all the rest, now go with the best".

1985-Bruce Hatch graduated from St. Mary's College in December of 1989. He is a calling card analyst for MCI Communications. Bruce races bicycles and promotes races in his spare time.

1987-Mark Fishel graduated from UC Davis in 1992 where he majored in Bio Chemistry. He is now studying medicine at Georgetown University in Washington D.C. Mark says that being a former Vespa riding delinquent, he attributes his career success to the Christian Brothers faculty. Mark sends his best wishes to his fellow graduates.

1990-John Buxie will be transferring to Sacramento State College next Fall where he will be majoring in Criminal Justice. He is now working for U.P.S. as a sorter, and still loves lifting weights. ❖

CLASS REUNIONS...THE PLANNING BEGINS

Members of the classes of 1943, 1963, 1973, and 1983 take note! Your Christian Brothers classmates are making plans for your respective class reunions this year. They have contacted the school's Development Department and have begun the planning process that makes these reunions possible. "We get inquiries about class reunions all the time," says Tim Whalen, Director of Support Groups & Communications. "Once we are contacted, we work closely with those individuals who are organizing their reunions to help them locate and notify their former classmates," he adds. If your class is planning a reunion this year, contact the Development Department immediately so that information can be included in the next Connection.

Class of 1943

By Steve Rooney

The class of 1943 will celebrate its 'golden anniversary' class reunion on Saturday, June 5, 1993 at Andiamo's Restaurant in Sacramento. For more information call me at 489-0476.

Class of 1963

By Carol and Larry Kenobbie

The dictionary defines the word "reunion" as a reuniting of persons after

separation. It may be hard for the class of 1963 to believe, but it is time to reunite for our 30 year class reunion! It has been ten years since we last gathered and for some it has been even longer. We will celebrate and reacquaint ourselves with old (no offense intended) friends sometime this year at the end of September or the first of October at Frasinetti's Winery and Restaurant located in the town of Florin, just a ten minute drive from Sacramento. Members of our class have already gathered to form a committee but we are encouraging more class members to join with us. If you are interested, please contact **Patty Crowle** at 441-5807 or **Anna Tenderella** at 381-4473.

Class of 1973

By Dennis Smith

Mark your calendars for our twenty year reunion planned for the fall of 1993. An organizing committee comprised of myself, **Lon Burford**, **Jerry Balshore**, **Jim Caselli**, **Bob O'Neil**, **Tony Paiva**, **Bill Pierson**, and **Mike Scully**, is planning a fun, first class evening to commemorate this 'historic' occasion. More details about the reunion will be arriving in the mail soon, but in the meantime, we need your help locating some of our classmates. If you know the whereabouts of

any of the following members of the class of 1973, please give me a call at (916) 442-4000 or call one of the other committee members so that we can get these members on our mailing list: **Scott Baker**, **Doug Bell**, **Yasmaa Bray**, **Bob Brown**, **John Cartwright**, **Paul Cimino**, **Mike Countryman**, **Gary Dawson**, **Carson Duper**, **David Fisher**, **Marti Flynn**, **Bob Horgan**, **Dave Johnson**, **George Marshall**, **Jim Moy**, **Joe Murphy**, **Bernie Poon**, **Joe Williams**, **Terry Wilson**, and **Emmitt Wilson**.

Class of 1983

By Mike Rameriz

Members of the class of 1983 are in the process of forming a planning committee for our ten year class reunion later this year. If you live in the Sacramento area and are interested in serving on this committee, please give me a call at 818-847-0884 during the day or at 805-255-3206 in the evenings. You can expect to hear more about our class reunion later this spring after our committee is formed. ❖

Alums—Send us your news

The Connection welcomes contributions to the alumni notes section. Please use this form to mail in your personal and professional news item. Photos, news clippings etc. are also welcome, as well as tips about fellow alums who might make good feature story subjects. Also, use this form for address changes or to let us know of duplicate copies at one address. Thanks for keeping us in touch!

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