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### BROTHER V. KENNETH APPOINTED PRINCIPAL OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Brother Victor-Kenneth, F.S.C., has been named principal of Immaculate Conception Grammar School in Oak Park. Brother has been here at Christian Brothers for the past three years teaching six periods of Freshman English. With his warm, friendly manner and his professionalism many wonderful things are sure to happen under his able direction.

There is a great bond between Christian Brothers and Immaculate Conception. This is evidenced through alumni, faculty, staff, and students. Immaculate Conception parish and school figure prominently into the lives of many Sacramentans.

Because of this, many of the CB family, past and present, have generously volunteered their services and resources to Immaculate Conception and the goals Brother Kenneth and the Diocese have set for the school in order to make it the premier Catholic and academic institution in Oak Park and in all of Sacramento.

The initial goals are to boost enrollment with boys and girls who really want to be at Immaculate Conception, as well as provide a solid Catholic education, steeped in strong basics of the faith and academics.

Brother Kenneth said, "The school has wonderful, dedicated teachers who love the children and are working very hard to provide an excellent education for them. It is so important for those who are part of Immaculate Conception's past to become an active part of its future!"

In a later issue, the contributions of Christian Brothers' students and staff will be highlighted. We ask that all readers of THE CONNECTION who are alumni or know of alumni of Immaculate Conception call the IC school office with their names and addresses for the new IC mailing list and to get involved.

Christian Brothers wishes Brother Kenneth and Immaculate Conception great success and the best of luck. Please keep Brother and the school in your prayers as you are in his. Remember, Brother Kenneth will continue living in the Brothers' Community on campus and will remain active in school and alumni events! ♦



BY MARK WARREN,  
PRESIDENT

Greetings, and welcome to the start of a new school year. We have had a busy summer, and I would like to share with you some of what we've been doing.

**FIVE-YEAR MAJOR MAINTENANCE PLAN**

We engaged the services of Comstock Johnson Architects to put together a Five-Year Major Maintenance Plan. With the help of alumni Duke and Linda McAlpine, '59, owners of Park Mechanical, and alumnus Frank Vellutini, '71, owner of Royal Electric, we have put together a plan that has considered every aspect of our physical plant (electrical, mechanical, roofing, plumbing, disability access, structural and civil). We did this in order to allow us to predict and to budget for short and long term maintenance projects – challenges that invariably affect a plant of our size and age. If we know now that the roof on the gym has only three years of useable life left, we can begin budgeting for that roof's replacement in the future. This plan will help us avoid "surprises" that negatively affect the budget.

**LONG RANGE CAMPUS MASTER PLAN**

Alumnus Ron Carissimi, '51, of Carissimi, Rohrer and Associates Architects has been working with us to develop a Campus Master Plan that looks forward to the building needs of our campus and the prioritization of those needs for the next fifteen to twenty years. The plan has focused on a number of critical projects – increased classroom space, science facility upgrades and new science labs, a Performing Arts Facility, a second gymnasium with

increased shower capacity, updated library and media center, campus-wide technology capability, and other building projects. Having a Campus Master Plan is critical to the process of obtaining a Use Permit from the City of Sacramento. And without the Master Plan and the Use Permit, no construction is possible.

**FIVE-YEAR ACTION PLAN**

We have begun the process of putting together a Five-Year Action Plan for Christian Brothers High School. We are considering six strategic areas: Academic and Co-Curricular, Development, Financial Management, Plant Maintenance and Plant Development, Salaries and Benefits, and Lasallian Growth. With a look to the future, we want to produce a blueprint and a vision for the Christian Brothers High School of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

**CLASSROOM WIRING**

All classrooms will be rewired to accommodate phone communications with the front office and the outside world. We also will run telecommunications wiring to the classrooms. As our Technology Plan unfolds, the necessary classroom infrastructure will be in place.

**VOLUNTEERISM**

A school such as Christian Brothers cannot exist without the help of many volunteers – persons like you. Please consider joining or helping one of our four Support Groups.

**Alumni Association** – Promotes Career Day for current students, reunions, the Annual Alumni

Dinner, Wine Tasting, Golf Tournament. and fundraising activities to support all CB programs.

**Boosters Club** – Parents and friends who support athletic programs through fundraising efforts at Crab Feed, Fireworks Booth, and the Red and Blue Scrimmage.

**La Salle Club** – A group that "wants to help in any way possible" and is a means to keep in touch with the community through their efforts at the Golf Marathon.

**Parent Service Organization** – This group of active parents assists in fundraising and in school activities. It provides leadership and support for various school functions such as the QSP Magazine Drive and the Spirit Sweepstakes.

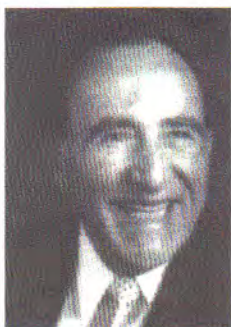
**DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Jean Lahey, a long time dedicated member of the Christian Brothers High School staff, has assumed a new position in the school as Special Assistant to the Development Department. Jean is working with the President's Office and Development in building up the relationships with alumni and helping reconstruct the rich history of our past students and donors. Jean will be continuing to work with the Ambassador program and the Brother Bertram Society. Ginny Hargrave is the new Director to Support Groups, which are the Alumni Association, Boosters Club, Parent Service Organization and La Salle Club. Ginny has been with the school's Development Department over a year and has past experience coordinating school-based volunteer programs.

**NEW FACES**

**Brother R. Phillip Thez** – Returns to CBHS from La Salle High School in Yakima, Washington. Br. Phillip was a former Director/Principal at San Joaquin Memorial High in Fresno, and was at CBHS in 1961-63 as a prefect for Boarding Students. Br. Phillip will be

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# Alumni and Friends

by Jack Stassi '40

Summer is here, and the CBS gang is busy. Let's see what they're doing.

In the congrats department, **Msgr. Ed Kavanagh** recently celebrated his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the priesthood. Monsignor has always been a great Brothers Booster and has served on the Board of Regents. ...**Ted Messner '30**, celebrated 50 years at Hollywood Hardware. ... Hearty congratulations go to **Dr. Joe Farrington '39** and **George Signorotti '42**, who were the co-chairmen of the Annual Brotherhood picnic, held at the Van Vleck Ranch near Sloughouse, an excellent setting for the picnic.

**Collin Sullivan '77**, of the fightin' Sullivan boys, is the branch manager of Noreal Trading, Inc. ... **Mitch Rakela '64**, gave me a call and informed me that he took videos of their 30<sup>th</sup> reunion. He has cassettes for sale (\$19.64). Call him and he'll deliver.

Got a couple of photos in the mail recently, compliments of **Steve Rooney '43**. One was **Eddie Papoff '43**, **Don McEnerly '43** and Steve, who were yell leaders at CBS. Looking at the picture, I'm sure they were the best-looking yell

leaders in the city. Papoff and Rooney became pilots and officers in the U.S. Air Force. The other showed the CBS baseball team of 1943. The following were named to All City Team: **Bob Barbeau '43**, **Frank Ratonni '43**, **Buster Habecker '45**, **Anthony Stambuk '43**, **Al Knezovich '44**. Brother Bertam was the Athletic Director back then, and we were the Kings of the Hill! (By the way, my cousin **George Vernatchi** was named the All-Star Outstanding pitcher that year. I can't understand how he ended up at C.K. McClatchy High School.)

My classmate, **Tom Koewler '40**, informed me that son-in-law **Clint Reilly** has thrown his hat in the ring for Mayor of San Francisco. If Clint makes it, Tom and I will be emptying parking meters. ... **Al Franzoia '39**, takes an occasional trio to Elko, Nevada, to make sure son **Michael Franzoia '72**, Mayor of Elko, is running things right.

**Don Stanich '36**, is enjoying his retirement ... **Manuel J. Vierra '41**, is also enjoying his retirement but having trouble figuring out the game of golf. ... **Bunny Crites '35**, one of Sacramento's best known band leaders, is living in Auburn and still plays a gig or two.

**Bert Bonomi '62** is one of the newest and cutest members of the Dante Club. ... **Carroll Canfield**, a Saint Mary's Gallopin' Gael, had an important job at the U.S. Open at the Olympic Club. Carroll, a member of the PGA, was in charge of both television and radio coverage of the event. **Matt Thomas '80**, is running the bar at the family restaurant, The Waleroo. If you're ever in the Lodi area, stop in. I guarantee a great dinner. My son, **John Stassi, Jr. '80** is the Marketing Manager for Dwight Halverson Insurance, (a chip off the ol' block) and sister, **Gina Stassi, Manogue '84**, is a Senior Associate at Nelson Communications Group (a chip-ette off the ol' block).

During the past few months, we have lost some of our alums and friends, and they will be sorely missed, **Frank Silvey '19**, a Hall of Famer, brother to **Edmund Silvey '18** and father of **Al Francis Silvey '54**. ... **Vic Pitts**, a great booster, member of the LaSalle Club Hall of Fame as well as the Roseville & Marysville Hall of Fame, and proprietor of the Eagles Nest in Marysville. ... **Jim Ennis '50**, a baseballer and president of the Brabant Dental Lab ... Dedicated benefactor **Ted "Sobey" Soberjeski**, owner for Acme Top Shop ... **George Domich '71**, who was a United States Secret Service Agent ... **Henry "Bud" Hanna '29**, one of CBS's most renowned baseball and basketball coaches. Bud was in the insurance business in Chico, where he passed away. ... We'll also miss **George Valario '29**, who was a highway patrolman for 15 years, went into the ice cream business with wife, Rose, and then spent his later years running the restaurants at the city golf courses. He also was a volunteer instructor of golf at Sacramento City College. ♦



Bud Hanna  
'29



Al Francis Silvey  
'54



George Domich  
'71



Michael J.  
Franzoia '72

Well gang, that's it for now. Have a terrific summer and be sure to let me know what's going on out there!

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## Class Notes

by Vienna Cornacchioli Golsong '61

## CBHS REUNION HELPLINE

The Development Office is willing to provide class lists, guidelines for setting up your reunion, assistance with your invitations. The use of school facilities for your reunion is available on a limited basis. I can proudly say that I am so glad that there is this spirit of cooperation and concern. It makes planning your reunion so much more rewarding and memorable.

Well El Nino is history! Did you ever think you would be hearing that? I don't know about any of you but I sure did miss the spring. We are right in the middle of hot weather with, I understand, many more days to come.

Oh well, enjoy the rest of your summer vacation, relax and as you are lounging, please write me a note, call or fax me and give me some alumni news.

■ **1953** Tom Colby is in the initial discussion phase of his 45th reunion He is trying to determine if anyone is interested. All those who would like to help out, have any suggestions, whatever, please contact the Development Office or me and we are willing to help out in any way we can.

■ **1958** The Sutter Club will be hosting the 40th reunion of Bishop Armstrong's class of '58. Activities will begin at 7:30 p.m., with deluxe hors d'oeuvres and no-host cocktails. If you have any questions, please contact Marion Azevedo Porter, 421-2587; Shirley Tomasini Vicari, 424-2522, or Sheila Knobbie Tomasini, 773-2776. This sounds like an exciting event.

■ **1959** On a sad note, Dan Farley passed away on April 18. Dan is survived by his wife Pat Vasti also of the class of '59 and family. Their home is in

Placerville. The following is a message from Dan taken from "Leaves of Grass" by Walt Whitman: I bequeath myself to the dirt to grow from the grass I love, If you want me again look for me under your boot soles. You will hardly know who I am or what I mean, but I shall be somewhere waiting for you.

Pat, I certainly will keep you and your family in my prayers for the Lord's comfort and providence to be with you during these difficult times.

■ **1963** Don Giovannetti, twin of brother Ron, husband of Adele Abele '64, lives in Woodland. Don and Adele have been married for 31 years and have three children and one granddaughter. They are the owners of Half Moon Fruit and Produce Co. in Yolo county. The company is the largest individually owned grower, packer, shipper and exporter of melons in

California. Dan and his classmates are celebrating their 35th reunion on October 3rd at Frasinetti's Winery. Don's number is 662-0866. Another contact person is Rich Poletti at 447-0229.

■ **1974** Mark Ensley sent a note explaining that I left out some information in the April '98 issue. He is a member of the Riverbank Elementary School District Board of Trustees. Mark serves as the President of the National Rifle Assn. members council of Stanislaus County represents approximately 10,000 members. He is also the Government Affairs Director for the Safari Club. He has two children.

■ **1978** David Pisani is asking all graduates of his class who are interested in attending their 20th reunion to call him at 393-6822. The reunion will be held at the Hyatt Regency.

■ **1983** Still in the organizational stages is the 15th year reunion of the class of '83. Tony Clark would be glad to hear from anyone who would be interested in coordinating a committee to organize the reunion. He can be reached at 368-4747 and his fax number is 368-

4750.

■ **1991** Renee Avitia graduated from CSU, Sacramento with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology. Renee graduated with the co-ed class of Christian Brothers and is now looking forward to a career working with children.

■ **1994** Michael Fierro, who sent me the information on Renee, has also graduated from CSU, Sacramento, with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology. He has been researching topics including divorce and personality and is looking forward to continuing his Psychology Career in graduate school. Congratulations to you both and I wish you success as you pursue your goals.

That's all folks for now; keep the cards, letters, phone calls, faxes coming in and, I might add, in more volume. Thank you to those who do take the time to keep in touch. ♦

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# Wine Tasting Extravaganza

by Jack Vaughn, Class of 1974

**T**alk about getting better with age: The Christian Brothers Alumni Association's best-known fund-raiser taps into more than a century of traditions yet it promise to be as fresh as the latest culinary creations.

The Association's 11th annual Wine Tasting Extravaganza is planned for 7 to 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, in the campus courtyard. More than 1,000 highly refined palates – those of alumni, parents, faculty and staff, and the community at large – are expected to join in an evening of fine wines, specially prepared dishes, and microbrewed beers and ales.

"Two traditions will pour into the evening," says Event Chair, Chris Ledesma, a 1985 grad who has been involved since 1990 in organizing the wine tasting.

The first, of course, is CB's winemaking heritage. "The wine tasting reminds some of the graduates who were around in the earlier days (when the Brothers ran their world-renowned Napa Valley winery), of Christian Brother's strong connection with the food and wine industry," says Ledesma. "The success of the event is due in large part to that legacy. A lot of wineries that don't come to other tastings come to Christian Brother because of that."

Thus the evening's theme: "Experience the tradition, taste the success."

Ledesma says 50 to 60 well-known wineries – including Silver Oak Cellars, Clarksburg's Bogle Winery, St. Supery, Markham, Raymond Vineyard and Seller, and Murphy-Goode Estate – will uncork their finest. They'll be joined at the tables by about a dozen top microbreweries such as Rubicon and Elk Grove Brewery and another dozen innovative restaurants such as Hopstreet and Waterboy. The organizers will also offer their own palate-clearing hors

d'oeuvres.

The other tradition is CB's education-oriented community spirit. Last year's event raised over \$21,000 which was added to the scholarship fund and helped other campus projects. The scholarship fund helps provide tuition assistance for over 20% of the student body. "The bottom line is, we're there to raise money to help kids go to school," says Ledesma, who is also marketing manager for The Money Store.

But the rewards stretch even further than the dollars. "It gives a chance for a lot of the graduates to come home for an evening," says Ledesma. "Alumni who come have a good, positive experience. It's a good cross-section of people – older alumni, younger alumni – sharing experiences and having a good time back at Christian Brothers."

They also stretch beyond the campus, as evidenced by the number of local dignitaries and media celebrities who attend annually. "It starts as an attempt to raise a little money and have some fun," says Ledesma, but always based on the premise that we had a great connection to the wine industry, and this would be a chance to gather and reminisce about the traditions of Christian Brothers. The event has grown to the point that it's considered one of the premier wine-tasting events in the Sacramento region.

"It's definitely been an effort to get the event to this level, where it's acknowledged by the community at large – not just the Christian Brothers community but the Sacramento community.

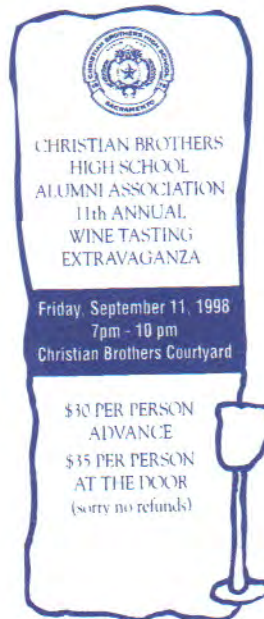
"Everyone knows somebody who has gone or is going to Christian Brothers. The school has always been a big presence in the community. This is the one night of the year when the community comes to Christian Brothers."

To keep the event's quality – and its returns for CB students – high, the ticket price has been raised this year to \$30. "But it's still a very affordable event for what you're getting inside," says Ledesma, noting that the price compares favorably to other local wine-tastings. And, he points out,

"Once you get inside, everything is free, food and beverage. We want to maintain an affordable price so that every alumnus will be able to attend."

The fund-raising will take a new turn this year with the addition of a raffle. Prizes are being sought from the larger Napa and Sonoma wineries as well as other donors, but a few coveted items are sure to be on the clock: corkscrews donated by Brother Timothy, former cellarmaster at Christian Brothers Winery. Also, a weekend at the beautiful Albion River Inn in Mendocino. Donated by CB grad Flurry Healy '56.

Ledesma is looking forward to another vintage year. "I've seen the organization and the event grow, and it's been very deliberate. We want to see it continue to grow but without losing sight of its basic reason for existence – to offer a chance to gather and celebrate our traditions and raise a lot of money for the kids." ♦





Athletic Director: Mike Clemons  
Asst. Athletic Director: Ron Limeberger

## VOLLEYBALL

Date	Opponent	Time
8/29	Red & Blue Scrim.	9AM
9/3	Vic. Christian (JV/V)	5:15/6:30
9/8	@ Golden Sierra	4/5:15/6:30
9/17	Cap. Christian (JV/V)	5:15/6:30
9/22	@ Burbank	4/5:15/6:30
9/24	@ Sacramento	4/5:15/6:30
9/29	Kennedy	4/5:15/6:30
10/1	St. Francis	4/5:15/6:30
10/6	@ McClatchy	4/5:15/6:30
10/8	Loretto	4/5:15/6:30
10/13	@ Johnson	4/5:15/6:30
10/15	Burbank	4/5:15/6:30
10/20	Sacramento	4/5:15/6:30
10/22	@ Kennedy	4/5:15/6:30
10/27	@ St. Francis	4/5:15/6:30
10/29	McClatchy	4/5:15/6:30
11/3	@ Loretto	4/5:15/6:30
11/5	Johnson	4/5:15/6:30

Varsity Head Coach: David Dacong

JV Head Coach: Liz Drysdale

## JV/V SOCCER

Date	Opponent	Time
8/29	Red & Blue Scrim.	9AM
9/3	WC Wood	3:30/5:00
9/8	@ Del Campo	3:30/5:00
9/11-12	Del Campo Tourney	TBA
9/15	@ Sacramento	3:30/5:00
9/22	@ Kennedy	3:30/5:00
9/24	Burbank	3:30/5:00
9/29	Johnson	3:30/5:00
10/1	McClatchy	3:30/5:00
10/6	@ Jesuit	3:30/5:00
10/8	Sacramento	3:30/5:00
10/15	Kennedy	3:30/5:00
10/20	@ Burbank	3:30/5:00
10/22	Johnson	3:30/5:00
10/27	@ McClatchy	3:30/5:00
10/29	Jesuit	3:30/5:00

Varsity Head Coach: Vince Juarez

JV Coaches: Javier Valdez & Eddy Chavez

## CROSS COUNTRY

Date	Opponent	Time
8/29	Red & Blue Scrim.	9AM
9/11	Seaside Inv. @ Ventura	TBA
9/12	Oakmont Inv. @ Sierra	TBA
9/19	Nev. Union Inv. @ Grass Vly.	TBA
9/23	Met. Lgue. Meet @ Elk Grove	4:00
9/26	Frogtown Inv. @ Angel's Cmp.	TBA
10/3	SJAA Inv. @ Oak Grove Park	TBA
10/10	Rio Linda Inv. @ Gibson Ranch	TBA
10/14	Met. Lgue. Meet @ Semour Prk	4:00
10/17	Mariner Inv. @ Hayward	TBA
10/23	Placer Inv. @ Sierra	TBA
10/29	Met. League Champ. @ Sierra	4:00
11/7	Sub Sections @ Angels Camp	TBA
11/13	Sections @ Sierra	TBA
11/28	State Meet @ Fresno	TBA

Head Coach: Jason Talanian

## JV/V FOOTBALL

Date	Opponent	Time
8/29	Red & Blue Scrim.	9AM
9/5	Scrim. @ Rio Linda	TBA
9/12	El Camino @ ARC	5:30/7:30
9/19	@ Truckee	12:00/2:00
9/25	Florin @ ARC	5:30/7:30
10/3	Jesuit @ ARC	6:00/8:00
10/9	@ E. Nicolaus	5:30/7:30
10/17	@ Luther Burbank	11:00/1:00
10/23	Sacramento @ ARC	5:30/7:30
10/30	McClatchy @ Hughes	5:30/7:30
11/7	Johnson @ ARC	6:00/8:00
11/14	@ Kennedy	11:00/1:00

Varsity Head Coach: Greg Meegan

JV Head Coach: Chuck McKay

## FROSH FOOTBALL

Date	Opponent	Time
8/29	Red & Blue Scrim.	9AM
9/10	El Camino @ CBS	4:00
9/17	TBA	
9/24	Florin @ CBS	4:00
10/1	Jesuit @ CBS	4:00
10/8	TBA	
10/17	@ Luther Burbank	9AM
10/22	Sacramento @ CBS	4:00
10/29	@ McClatchy	4:00
11/5	Johnson @ CBS	3:30
11/14	@ Kennedy	9AM

Head Coach: Rolf Schumann

## TENNIS

Date	Opponent	Time
8/28	Woodland @ Racht Clb.	3:30
8/29	Red & Blue Scrim.	9AM
9/11	@ Cordova	3:30
9/16	@ Loretto	3:30
9/17	Burbank	3:30
9/18	Sacred Heart @ SF	3:00
9/21	@ Johnson	3:30
9/23	St. Francis	3:30
9/24	Sacramento	3:30
9/28	@ McClatchy	3:30
9/30	Kennedy	3:30
10/1	Loretto	3:30
10/2	St. Mary's @ Stockton	3:30
10/5	@ Burbank	3:30
10/8	@ St. Francis	3:30
10/9	Sacred Heart	3:30
10/12	@ Sacramento	3:30
10/14	McClatchy	3:30
10/15	@ Kennedy	3:30
10/28	Metro Singles Champs.	TBA
10/29	Metro Doubles Champs.	TBA
11/9-11	Section Tourney	TBA
11/12-13	Section Ind. Champs.	TBA

Head Coach: Ken Pack



by Mike Clemons

Welcome Falcon sports fans as the fall sports season starts turning around the corner. We are all

looking forward with anticipated optimism. We should be expecting another great year from our women's volleyball team with a strong contingent of returning Junior's and a tough '97 JV team - look out Metro League. Coach Dave DaComg, has high expectations for this '98 group of women's athletes.

Greg Meegan, head football coach, enters the 1998 season with the largest turnout in his coaching tenure at CBHS. Coach Meegan has indicated that the dedication has stepped up tremendously and although the 1998 football club is young, it will not be intimidated. The turn-around of the football program is on schedule and there will be a lot of surprises for our opponents this season.

Coach Vince Juarez, returns for his seventh season as the head mentor of the men's soccer team. What most would consider a good season, Coach Juarez felt his club fell short in '97. He is expecting his young charges to display tenacity and get better on the defensive side. His upcoming solid JV team will be counted on heavily to fill the holes vacated by last year graduated seniors. Yet his enthusiasm is undaunted for the 1998 club.

Ken Pack, former assistant women's tennis coach at SCC, has been chosen to lead our women's tennis team in 1998. A large group of juniors will be expected to pick right up where the '97 team left off and carry the team to upcoming victories. Let's wish Ken and his opening year all the success of the season.

The 1998 cross-country team will be young, and with the loss of Michelle LaSalla who was the 1998 Athlete of the Year, the Falcon runners are waiting for the next generation to step up and lead the pack. New Head Coach Jason Talalanni, will be focused on increasing numbers to build team depth and improve on the overall team quality. Good luck, Jason. ♦



1936 Christian Brothers Football Team

*Top Row: Ed Katsulis, Bill Palm, George Gillette, Bob "Red" Lewis, Bob Shorrock, Ken Belke, Bill Stewart, Bobby Williams, Bill Diage, Jim McPartland, Joe Puliz. Middle Row: Brother Peter, F.S.C., Bill Lally, Neil Heinrich, Jack Chappell, Ed Mensik, Marion Puliz, Norm Caldera, Adrian Bennett, Joe Vacca, Art Hagus, Assistant Coach Bert Silva, Head Coach Jimmy Flynn. Bottom Row: Don O'Brien, Pete Archerda, Art Walters, Vic Martinelli, Charley Schanz, Ted Ravelette, Bill Wittkop, Manny Soares (Captain), Dave Simmons, John McPartland, Ross Miller, Jack O'Neil. Not Pictured: Jack Coughlin, Jack Dorr, Cliff Russell, Assisant Coach Al Scott, Trainer "Bugs" Fischer.*

# FLYNN TEAMS

by Stan Gilliam

Back in the 1930's there were dragons—big purple Dragons, to be exact—on the prowl in these parts, and the unlikely St. George on the scene was an Irish leprechaun. To put it in biblical terms, David, in the person of youthful Christian Brothers football coach Jimmy Flynn, was up against Goliath in the form of Sacramento High's football team.

The year was 1935, and though there were few local schools, interest ran high in prep football. Daily for the week before the game newspapers—the

**Given their best chance in years to win!**



Coach Jimmy Flynn



Bee and the now defunct Union -- ran stories and pictures. The pre-Falcon Gaels were "given their best chance in years to win," which was saying little because prior seasons they'd had no chance at all.

But Flynn, a grinning carbon copy, right down to the fedora, of his college coach at St. Mary's, the legendary "Slip" Madigan, was not to be denied. After a scoreless first half, halfback Adrian Bennett rifled passes to George Gillette and Bill Stewart, the latter recently deceased, which ate up 70 yards. Bobby Williams took the ball the final eight yards for the only score of the night. After 20 years of trying, Brothers had its reward.

Flynn's charges made short work of both Sutter Creek and Jackson, blanked St. Vincent's of Vallejo 11-0 and fought St. Mary's of Stockton to a 6-6 tie.

Facing Grant Union, also undefeated, for the mythical city championship, the Gaels came out on the short end of a 13-0 score. But the one still not forgotten by those who played in it and watched it is the 6-0 historic victory over Sacramento's Dragons.

Bent on revenge and again favored, the 1936 Dragons were confident of reversing the previous year's upset. And, as in 1935, they again outplayed the Brothers gridders in a scoreless first half. But Flynn must have had the magic words during halftime because the second-half story was entirely different.

After Leo Bennett and Ted Gardner took turns carrying the ball for three first downs, quarterback Ralph Gillette sent Bob Lewis around the left side of the Dragons for 20 yards and a touchdown.

In the fourth quarter it was Pete Archerda and Gardner running for first downs before Archerda—who may have been this city's best-ever prep athlete, lettering in three sports for four straight years—hit paydirt from six yards out. Bennett again ran for the conversion, and the final count was 14-0.

Brothers evened the score—and more—against Grant Union, drubbing the previous year's

1937, Sacramento High prevailed 19-0, upping the point count to 44, 45 and 50 through the ensuing three seasons. The Gaels, in those years, managed a collective goose egg.

They fared no better against upstart C.K. McClatchy, which opened in 1937, and if memory serves, the only victory in those last three years was 16-0 against Colusa.

As for Flynn, he had a long



1935 Christian Brothers Football Team

*Top Row: Vic Marinelli, Francis Mikels, Jack Darr, Frank Barbaria, George Gillette Bob "Red" Lewis, Ted Gardner, Jack McGuire, Bill Palm., Charley Schanz, Tom Duhain, Leop Bennett, Pete "Archerda."*

*Middle Row: Brother Joseph Buckley, F.S.C., Marion Puliz, Norm Caldera, Bob Shorrock, Bill Wittkop, Harold Petois, Coach Jimmy Flynn, Cliff Russell, John Cummings, Vic Fancher, Pat Lyons, Art Walters, Trainer "Bugs" Fischer*

*Bottom Row: Ted Ravelte, Dave Simmons, Rich Trainor, Al Ball, Tom Harris, Bill Gormley, Mickey Marquez, Ellis Archerda, Joe Vacca, Billy Hanlom, Joe Puliz, Ralph Gillette, Ken Belke.*

*Managers: Bob Meusel, Archie Crossland, Morris Crosby.*

victors 24-0. They went on to beat St Vincent's 12-0 and also upended St. Mary's of Stockton and Grass Valley—those scores are lost in the mists of time—to complete an undefeated season.

The city schools obviously knew they had met their match—and their master—and solved their dilemma in the only way they could: The hired Flynn.

That Christian Brothers' football fortunes faded drastically is a fact well recalled by the writer. In his freshman year,

and distinguished career at the Dragon institution but coached a SHS gridiron team against CBS only once, in 1942. The leprechaun's spell prevailed still. Flynn and his Dragons won 22-0. ♦

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**BOOSTER CLUB**

**ANNUAL  
RED AND BLUE SCRIMMAGE KICKS OFF  
THE NEW YEAR**

The annual Red and Blue Scrimmage is scheduled for Saturday, August 29, on the school's athletic fields. The events begin at 10 a.m. and end at 12:30. The Red and Blue Scrimmage is the event that celebrates all of the school's fall sports. There will be demonstrations by the various fall sports teams, including football, boys' soccer, girls' tennis, girls' volleyball, and cross country. The event features a delicious barbecue, provided free to participating athletes and at minimal cost to others, contemporary music, and plenty of fun atmosphere.

Everyone is welcome. Come on out and see the CB fall sports teams in action. Judge for yourself how they'll fare against the tough Metro League competition. The event is sponsored by the Boosters' Club and will provide an opportunity for those who wish to join the Club to do so and to purchase appropriate Christian Brothers sports clothing to show your allegiance. The school bookstore will be open offering a full line of clothing. ♦

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**LA SALLE CLUB  
UPDATE - JULY '98**

Sal Vasquez, '52, 1998-99 President-elect of the Christian Brothers High School LaSalle Club, indicated he has a hard act to follow. "Outgoing President Ray Clemons has done a super-yeoman's job in reviving the La Salle Club these last few years, and it will be tough to maintain the energy level and achievement. But we have a strong nucleus of dedicated members who will give it a heck of a try. Besides, Ray has instilled a "can-do" spirit that I'm sure we'll carry on," added Vasquez.

Two LaSalle Club attendance records were broken this past Spring. Chairman Jim McNamara indicated that 363 dinners were grilled for the annual Baseball Hall of Fame blowout on April 24, the most ever for a function dating back to the '50's. Honorees at the Hall's biggest night were Cuno Barragan, Earl Rose, Ralph Rose, John McNamara, Woody Held, Joe Kirrene, Al Jacinto, Rudy Radoni, George Massa, Daryl Cook, Park Schuler, and Carl Tomei.

On May 25, likewise, the 3rd Annual Coaches Night enjoyed its best turnout. Co-Chairman Vasquez and Jimmy Westlake counted three shy of 200 dinners served in conjunction with honoring four past CB coaches: Ron Limebeger, Bob Rodness, Dick Sperbeck and Jack Witry.

1997-98 successful fund raisers, like the June '97 Golf Marathon, helped the LaSalle Club financially (and physically) aided the construction of new bleachers for the girls softball field. And LaSalle Club members donated time and effort in working the St. LaSalle Christmas Basketball Tourney, held in December in the CBS gym.

There are many projects similar to the above that Vasquez hopes to get LaSalle Club support for in the fall. After Board of Director elections in August, Vasquez promises to renew the annual membership drive and determine LaSalle Club priorities for the coming 1998-99 school year.

All you alumni and friends of CBS -- get your \$20.25 dues ready for LaSalle Club participation in 1998-99!! ♦

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## Christian Brothers Holds It's Sixth Annual La Salle Art Exhibit

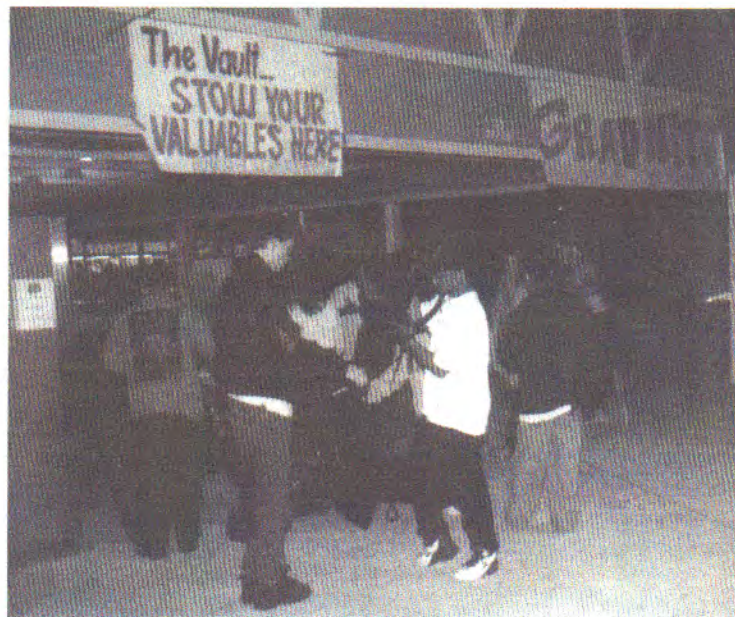


*Art Department Chair Kevin McGovern '74 presents Patrick Gormley '74 with a plaque for his continued support of the annual La Salle Art Exhibit.*

Over 150 students, parents, faculty and alumni attended the sixth annual La Salle Art Exhibit on the evening of April 30 at Christian Brothers High School. Thirty-five works of art were on display from the students of Christian Brothers.

Bay area artist Kim Frohsin traveled from San Francisco to select the works of art for the exhibit from over one hundred and twenty entries. First prize of \$150 went to Senior Aaron McMahon for his colored pencil drawing "Kerensa." Senior Charleen Pfanner's colored pencil drawing "Jungle Boy" took the second place prize of \$100 and Junior Andre Radaza's watercolor "Lighthouse" won \$50 for third place.

A special thanks goes to Teresa and Patrick Gormley, whose generous donation helps to fund this event. ♦



*A Grad Night to remember by all who attended.*

## 1998 Grad Night Success

The Class of '98 enjoyed all of Roseville's Golfland/Sunsplash's regular activities all night long. One hundred fifty one graduating seniors attended the "awesome" event. Rain forced some activities to be moved inside but failed to dampen the spirits or interfere with the popular waterslides, amazing hypnotist, DJ provided entertainment, Monte Carlo casino, miniature golf, abundance of video machines and laser tag "the largest in Northern California." Graduates received instant mementos of the evening from the roving polaroid photographers. More than

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Junior Matthew Beals is one of ten students nationally who has been selected for Marquette University's School of Dentistry Health Careers Opportunity Program, June 15-July 24. The fully-funded program is designed to provide interaction with dental practitioners and dental graduate students for the participants. These ten students will receive information on dental specialties, manual dexterity exercises in an actual lab setting, and the other skills necessary to be successful in the dental field during the six-week on-campus program in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Currently, two Sacramento dentists are CB and Marquette graduates, Doctors Harry Viani '60 and Michael Flynn '60. Pat O'Brien, former CB counselor who helped Matthew obtain the scholarship in his position as Marquette's Northern California Admissions Representative, is delighted with Matt's selection as a Christian Brothers High School representative for this outstanding summer program. ♦

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Mr. Harry E. White (27)  
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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood (27)  
Mrs. Tom E. Zanze (27)  
Joan Zarick (27)

**Tom. E. Zanze**  
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Limeberger (12)

TRIBUTES

IN HONOR OF:

**Happy Anniversary!**  
**For Jean & George Artz**  
Mrs. Betty Downey (11)

**Brother Norman Cook - Golden Jubilee as a Brother**  
Mr. Jack Wakefield (29)

**Dick Gable - Gad you're feeling better!**  
Claire Matthews (9)

**Ron Carissimi**  
Claire Matthews (9)

**Michelle Devincenzi**  
Clair Matthews (9)

**50th Anniversary for Mr. & Mrs. Paul D. Guidera**  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Calora

**Bill Svlich**  
Claire Matthews (9)

**Happy Anniversary! For Henry & Wendy Teichert**  
Mrs. Betty Downey (11)



## SCHOLARSHIP

The legacy of St. John Baptist de la Salle emphasized the mission of teaching children who have financial need. His mission is carried forth at Christian Brothers High School through the generosity of alumni and friends to the scholarship programs. Scholarship funds are established in memory or honor of a loved one and sometimes by graduating classes. The Class of 1947 established an endowed fund in memory of a classmate who died in Korea. The Class of 1997 established a fund in appreciation for their excellent education at Christian Brothers.

Contributions continue to be made to the scholarship funds throughout the year in honor or memory of loved ones. New endowed funds are established annually by generous and thoughtful Christian Brother's families. Gifts to the scholarship funds are publicly acknowledged in the CONNECTION magazine. Memorial and honor gifts, which do not include a specific fund, are placed in the Christian Brothers Endowed Scholarship Fund.

**These funds are used for student tuition assistance and represents a partial list of approximately 90 scholarship funds at CBHS.**

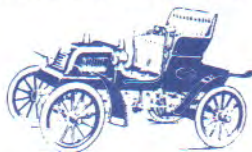
### No# Scholarship Funds

- 1 Angelina Burich Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 2 Anthony F. Berto Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 3 Athletics Program
- 4 Br. Bertram Coleman, FSC Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 5 Br. Richard Camara, FSC Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 6 CB Alumni Association Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 8 Carson Cima Bianchini Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 9 Catherine Gately Scholarship Fund
- 10 Charles A. Christen Scholarship Fund
- 11 Christian Brothers General Scholarship Fund
- 12 Christian Brothers Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 13 Development Program
- 14 Donald Semon Sr. Baseball Scholarship Fund
- 15 Duccini Family Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 16 English Department
- 17 Hall of Fame
- 18 Helen Babich Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 19 Isabel V. Dinelli Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 20 Isabella & Ralph Jackson Endowment Scholarship Fund
- 21 James Mulhern Family Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 22 Jason Grady Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 23 John J. Marquardsen, Jr. Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 24 Joseph L. Valine Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 25 Marco Smolich Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 26 Pete Tomasini Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 27 Randall Wesley Zanze Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 28 Reid J. Wurschmidt Memorial Scholarship
- 29 Richard Joseph Lee Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 30 Roger L. Slakey Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 31 Ronald G. MacKenzie Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 32 Steve Scully Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 33 Thomas J. Vicari Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 34 Vincent F. Stanich, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 35 William & Charlotte Cook Scholarship Fund
- 36 William & Matilda Zanze Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 37 William F. Bordisso Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 38 William M. Gormley Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 39 Wm. M. Francis Pipe Trades Endowed Scholarship Fund
- 40 Robert Lammerding Scholarship Fund

Over 90 scholarship endowed funds have been established by alumni families and friends in honor or memory of a loved one. A percentage of the interest earned annually from these funds is used for the 20+% of the student population who receive some level of tuition assistance each year. These students are chosen through a comprehensive and objective process based on financial need.

The LaSallian mission at Christian Brothers High School continues to flourish thanks to our family and friends. ♦

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## President's Message

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assuming the role of Director of the Brothers Community, and also will be the S.A.G.E.S. Counselor and will teach religious studies.

**Brother Richard Herlihy** - Comes to CBHS from the Baltimore District. He comes to us after 3 years as Campus Minister at La Salle High School in Concord. Br. Richard will be Co-Campus Minister at CBHS, and will be working with the LaSallian Youth Groups.

**Brother Austin Gili** - Brother was previously at San Joaquin Memorial High in Fresno, will be teaching English. Comes to CBHS from the Malta District and is a graduate of the University of Chicago.

**Brother Joseph-Marie Dat Hosang** - Brother graduate of Theology from St. Mary's College and taught at LaSalle High in Concord and in Vietnam. He will be teaching Religious Studies.

**Margaret Healy** - Margaret is the new secretary to the President. Margaret comes to us after working as the secretary to St. Anthony Parish for the past eight years. During that time, Margaret earned her bachelor's degree in Organizational Communication from CSUS.

**Jan Millner** - Jan is our new receptionist and will be working with the Support Group and the school, assisting with parent volunteer coordination. Jan was Director of Youth Ministries at St. Lawrence Parish.

**Bob Girasek** - Bob is our new Kitchen Manager, and he came to us from Harlow's and the Tower Cafe.

**Anne Licciardi** - The CBHS Academic Department welcomes Anne as the new Math Department Chair. Anne comes to us from Sierra College and Sacramento City College. Anne has over 22 years of teaching experience and has taught every math subject from AP Calculus through General Math. ♦

## BROTHER BETRAM SOCIETY

Hundreds of Christian Brothers Alumni have been influenced by Brother Bertram Coleman. Many "Brothers Boys" have fond memories of Brother Bertram and frequently emphasizes how Brother Bertram exemplifies the LaSallian spirit.

Brother Bertram Coleman is one of the most well-known and respected religious leaders in Northern California. In addition to serving as Director of Development and Principal of Christian Brothers High School, he was Provincial of the West Coast Province. Currently, Brother Bertram is the Archivist at Mont La Salle.

The Brother Bertram Society was established in his honor. This planned giving bequest program was established by founding members Paul and Stasia Bernardis, Robert Granucci, Daniel Lorenz, Helen Montgomery and Jim Winchell. Members of the Society have included Christian Brothers

High School in their will or trust. Annually, new members join the Society.

Each October 12, Brother Bertram's birthday is celebrated with a dinner for the Society members. New members are acknowledged and welcomed during the evening and they hear a message from Brother Bertram.

Christian Brothers High School is important to all of us. Our wills and trusts can contain a provision that will help guarantee the future of a quality education for deserving

## UPCOMING EVENTS

August 18	School Starts
August 29	Red/Blue Scrimmage
September 9	Back to School Night
September 11	Alumni Wine Tasting
September 13	Frosh Family Mass
September 18-29	QSP Magazine Drive
October 11	Open House
October 12	Brother Bertram Society Dinner
October 18	Sophomore Family Mass
October 23	Homecoming Game
November 21	Coaches Night (La Salle Club)

**Mark Your Calendar  
Alumni Dinner is  
January 30, 1999**

students into the next century. For further information about the Brother Bertram Society, please call the Development Office, 733-3600. ♦

### 1998 Grad Night Success

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140 prizes were given away in the raffle, including a TV/VCR, 2 small refrigerators, microwave, camping equipment, gift certificates...

Vivien Aber and Peggy Moser, co-chairs of this year's Grad Night committee, said that the positive attitude of this class was obvious and made the evening fun for everyone who attended, including parent and alumni volunteers. Golfland and volunteers commented that CB parents can be proud of their sons and daughters who reflected well on their families and school.

The primary reason for a graduation night party is to provide a SAFE, SUBSTANCE-FREE celebration. This year for the first time a bus was provided to and from the party, paid for by the CB Administration. Principal Tom Rutten and President Mark Warren sent a letter to all senior parents to encourage students to ride the bus or be picked up, rather than try to drive home after a long Graduation Day.

On June 27, the Grad Night committee had its final meeting and agreed

that this was the most successful of the events sponsored by the Parent Service Organization (PSO) since 1992. The members gave credit to the many dedicated volunteers who handled the multitude of preparations and especially to the full support of the Christian Brothers administration and the Development Office. Vivien Aber said, "So many

people worked to create this Grad Night—staff, parents, alumni, a wonderful support group. And the kids appreciated it—during the night many of them came to tell me, "THANKS!" This is awesome!"

Grad Night 1999 is in the planning stage now. Watch your Connection and Talon! ♦

### IN SEARCH OF ALL CHRISTIAN BROTHERS HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI

Have you ever tried to get in touch with an old classmate, only to find that the last directory is 8 years old? Well, your troubles are over. Soon an impressive directory of our alumni will be available to help you locate all your friends, the new Christian Brothers High School Alumni Directory, scheduled for release in May 1999, will be the most up-to-date and complete reference of over 6,019 Christian Brothers High School alumni ever compiled! This comprehensive volume will include current name, address and phone number, academic data, plus business information (if applicable), bound into a classic library quality edition.

The Alumni Office/ Association has contracted the prestigious Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company, Inc. to produce our directory. Harris will soon begin researching and compiling the information to be printed in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to each alumnus/a. (If you prefer not to be listed in the directory, please contact the Alumni Office in writing as soon as possible.)

The new Christian Brothers High School Alumni Directory will soon make finding an alumnus/a as easy as opening a book. Look for more details on the project in future issues. ♦



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# Spirit Sweepstakes

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November .....	\$200
December .....	\$2500 cash or 1/2 year's CBHS 1999 Tuition
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February.....	One week in Hanalei, Kauai, Hawaii
March .....	\$200
April .....	\$200
May .....	1999 Ford

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