



CB Regents propose fund raising appeal

A fund raising appeal to the Regents, alumni, parents and friends has been proposed and unanimously adopted by the Board of Regents. The results assure a healthy financial climate which will allow Christian Brothers High School to pursue its creative approach to education, to continue hiring capable and professional teachers and to maintain a financial assistance plan for needy and worthy students.

Michael Donovan '42, president of the DRW Realty Company and chairman of the Foundation Committee of the Board of Regents, presented a fund raising goal to the Administration and

Regents on March 9, 1978.

Mr. Donovan said that it will be necessary to raise \$100,000 each year to break even. This in spite of the fact that it was found necessary to raise the tuition by 5% in the school year 78-79.

Four intensive study sessions on the budget preceded the Board's approval. Participating were Foundation Committee Chairman Donovan, Regent President Jack Stassi and Principal Brother Ronald.

Mr. Donovan said that we have predicted deficits for the next three years of \$60,000, \$110,000 and \$160,000. In his view, the Regents and Administra-

tion must take forceful and bold new steps to keep Christian Brothers financially sound.

Currently Christian Brothers High School is able to operate without a deficit because of careful fiscal administration and because of the generosity of the California Province of the Christian Brothers. The Province has been donating over \$200,000 yearly to support the school.

However, Mr. Donovan quoting Arnold Schumacher, economist, foresees continued 5-6% inflation levels. Thus the need for a fund raiser if the school is to remain financially sound.

"Nobody does it better"

THE BROTHERS JOURNEY TO THE TOP

by Kevin Matheny

To some observers of Sacramento Area prep basketball the sweep by Christian Brothers High School to the Sac-Joaquin Section Tournament of Champions title during the season just past might have come as a surprise.

Certainly, the CBS record was not as gaudy as other teams in the field such as Grant and Bella Vista. And just as certain, the Falcons were the Metropolitan League's second seeded team, having tied Cordova and Kennedy for the title. But to astute followers of Brothers basketball, winning the TOC was merely clarification of what they already knew: that in this season nobody did it better than CBS.

Playing in perhaps the section's toughest league, CBS battled down the stretch, winning its last three league games and then four consecutive playoff contests. In the finale, the Falcons crushed arch-rival Jesuit 55-45.

The architect of all of this hoop-la madness was Brothers coach Joe Gill. Gill, 32, in only his second year at the Falcons helm, led CBS to its first Metropolitan League basketball title ever. The TOC championship was also the first of its kind at CBS.

That Gill was able to manage these feats is a shock only in the swiftness of

their occurrence. In his first year as varsity coach, Gill's Falcons went 14-8 and tied for second in the Metro. CBS' 20-10 mark this year gives Gill a 34-18 record in his first two seasons.

Gill, in his eighth year of teaching on the CBS campus, and in his initial campaign as athletic director, would disclaim any credit for the Falcons current handcourt success, however. Rather, it is Gill's feeling that the responsibility for the success lies on his player's shoulders.

Granted that Brothers has been blessed with some talented players the past two years. The likes of Dave Huppell, Joe Mugartegui, Derek Montiero, Rich Henning and the rest of the Falcons helped to make this championship season possible. But talent alone does not make champions. It is the meshing of those talents that produces titleists. This is the role that Gill fulfills so well. He is the co-ordinator of talents.

The key to Gill's successful program is his own philosophy about the game. That philosophy is one which has been shaped both by his own personal experience and the tutelage of the Christian Brothers.

Basically, Gill suggests that basketball at CBS is an extension of the classroom. This means that as Gill says,



Coach Joe Gill

"Brothers basketball is founded on the cooperative idea of community. The individual develops his own talent and authority through hard work and self discipline. He then contributes his talent and effort to his Brothers in the cooperative effort of the team. This is Brothers basketball, giving to the other members of the team so that everyone is given more than he gives."

Gill strives to make the basketball program at CBS a learning experience. He is of the mind that the students are in a growing process, both physically and mentally, and therefore the coach is a teacher and a leader. As CBS players will attest, Joe Gill is a special type of teacher and leader.

Alumni News

by Jack Stassi '40

Let's take a look around this ole U.S. of A. and see what some of the grads are doing . . . **Dr. Robert E. Mitchell** '49 is a professor of Geology at Long Beach State College . . . **Dr. William Keenan** '57 is an Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Cincinnati Medical School . . . **Thomas Flewell** '65 is farming in the Salinas Valley . . . **Byron W. Schnetz** '56 is a vice president with the Bank of America . . . and his cousin **Robert Schnetz** '56 is an executive with All-State and is now residing in Palatine, Illinois.

Dr. Richard W. Carroll, '64 is head of Psychological Services at the Childrens Hospital, Tempe, Arizona . . . **John E. Flowers** '65 Assistant Dean of Admissions, University of Pennsylvania . . . **Paul M. Groza** '65 is a Postal Inspector, Dearborn, Michigan . . . **Brother John Guenther** is a professor of Theology at St. Mary's College . . . **Rev. Arthur Liebscher** '65 is teaching at Fordham University in New York . . . **Joe Marty Jr.** '65 is an air traffic controller at the San Francisco Airport.

Francis J. Brennan '60 owns and operates a motel, restaurant and marina in Key Largo, Florida . . . **Terrence Oliva** '60 is a professor at Louisiana State University . . . Here is a fellow **Gerald E. Silvey** '56 Professor of Marine Biology, Hobart University in Tasmania . . . and another grad that is on the move **Peter A. Campbell** '63 with the Air Force in Florida . . . also up in the air, **Mervin R. Resing** '58 is a Senior Pilot with Eastern Air Lines, Merv is presently living in New Jersey.

Morris Prinzano '58 is a long way from home, Hong Kong to be exact . . . **Joe Gempsh** '58 an electronic engineer living in Mission Viejo . . . **Earl A. Sejla II** is a counselor at Barry College, Miami, Florida . . . **Capt. George Thiesen USA** stationed in the Phillipines . . . so you can readily see the CBS Boys are spreading the word far and near.

And here we have a real family twister — the four **Shrader Brothers**, **Alan R.** '59, **James N.** '57, **Stephen E.** '62 and **William D.** '62 are nephews to the five **Eberhard Brothers**, **Anthony M.** '42, **Joseph M.** '39, **Lawrence A.** '45, **Michael R.** '54, and **William R.** '43 . . . **Col. Dave Simmons** '37 USMC

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WHAT'S GOING ON AT BROTHERS?

La Salle Club celebrates 27th Hall of Fame

A record crowd attended the dinner on February 10th honoring the nine new members elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. Those elected to this years Hall of Fame included Earl Wagner, Lloyd Wagner, Jack Stassi, Herb Forsch, Manuel Salvo, Clement "Boo" Coyle, Gus Korstein, William Peccole, Harold "Sam" Sperbeck.

Master of ceremonies Vincent Stanich, noted the many who attended from out of town, a bus load of fans came from Marysville, eight flew up from

Las Vegas to cheer for Sam Peccole, this group was led by former Sacramentan Syl Degregorio. Dick Jergens, famous band leader, was in attendance as well as many other baseball notables.

This years Hall of Fame committee included, Vincent Stanich, Lou Bordisso, Bill Svlich (secretary), Bill Avila, Bill Morebeck, "Babe" Thomas, Pete Perich, Elmer Enos, Harry Knight, Vern Hodge, Henry Wittpen, and Jim Burich, La Salle Club President.

Class reunions planned

The Class Reunion is one of the few simple, unsophisticated, heartwarming social gatherings that reunite friends of another day and mentality in unalloyed good fellowship. The old fashioned formal reunion, generally with a distinguished speaker has gone the way of the victrola and the crystal set. Today, classes meet by years to renew old acquaintances and to remark on the devastation of age on the other guy while you somehow or other withstood the ravages of time.

The 1928 class will be observing its Golden Jubilee, the 1933 class its forty-fifth and so on. Without prejudice to the traditional meeting dates for classes, your Alumni Office has a fairly

creditable file now and we would be of service to any group who contemplates meeting. The more reunions the better.

The Association would like to hold a series of reunions for the OLD TIMERS (all those before 1930), for the Young Old Timers (all those from 1930 to 1939) and for the YOUNG MEN (all those from 1940 to 1949). The categories are used facetiously because the writer who graduated in 1929 feels quite young and chipper. Those about him make him feel as though he was born in the middle of the middle ages.

We would like to have your reactions.

Tuition raise coming

Brother Ronald Roggenback, F.S.C., Principal of Christian Brothers announced that the tuition for the coming year would be \$825. This is an increase of \$50.00 over last year's tuition and fees. Parents Service Organization requested that the various fees be discontinued and that the tuition be all inclusive.

In response to parents' requests, Brother Ronald announced that the payments would fit into a twelve month schedule in order to help the parents budget for the following year.

How fondly we remember the days of not too long ago when total costs were in the neighborhood of \$60.00 annually.

COMING UP

- April 15 — Parents Wine Tasting, Art Show
 - April 15 — Crop Fast
 - April 20 — Orientation for Parents of new students
 - May 1 — La Salle Club meeting
 - May 7 — Fashion Show
 - May 15 — Founders Day
 - May 18 — Blood Bank on campus
 - May 20 — Upper division Ball
 - June 8 — Graduation
 - June 9 — Registration for Fall
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Memorial Gifts

The following Memorials have been sent to the Christian Brothers Scholarship Foundation since the last edition of the Christian Brother Connection.

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Tennis Courts now On drawing board

Finally the weather has settled and La Salle Club President Jim Burich reports that ground breaking for the four courts will be taking place shortly. The La Salle Club Members voted to undertake this addition to the C.B. campus as their project for the year.

The weather has been detrimental, for tennis courts, but hopefully the start of excavation will take place in March and the courts completed by mid April.

To inaugurate the courts, Coach Tom Barber hopes to have a match between the faculty and the CB Tennis Team.



Dave Heppell

"We're #1"

What is was like To win the TOC

(Editor's Note: Having tied for the Metro Championship, CB's cagers went on to win the Sac-Joaquin Tournament of Champions, besting rival Jesuit in the storybook finale. Dave Heppell, voted outstanding player of the TOC, tells what is was like for him and the team.)

by Dave Heppell

Last Friday afternoon I was asked to write an article on how it felt to win the Sac-Joaquin Tournament of Champions. Normally this would be an easy and fun task, but such was not the case. The night before in the Oakland Coliseum, before 800 of our loyal fans, we (CBS varsity basketball team) were blown out by Berkeley in the NorCal TOC. With the loss still buzzing through my head, past accomplishments seemed fuzzy in my head.

I almost didn't write this story. Then I suddenly remembered two key words: Thank you. During the Sac-Joaquin TOC I said those words more times than I could count.

Usually after a victory, a few friends and family congratulate the players. But at these games, there were adults and students I had not seen or noticed at a game all year who were coming up to me and shaking my hand. As I looked around, all I could see was the court swarming with CB fans, hugging and celebrating the wins together.

I no longer felt a separation of the crowd and the players, but that we were one in spirit. I have enjoyed playing basketball all my life, but this was something extra special for me. The closeness I experienced went beyond basketball and is an experience which I will carry with me a lifetime.

I discovered something that I had only partially encountered my freshman year and thought didn't exist anymore: the Spirit that is special to Christian Brothers. It had been lying dormant, and I am glad I was privileged to be there when it awoke. Parents, alumni, friends, faculty and students alike, are all a part of this spirit and tradition that distinguishes Christian Brothers from every other school.

They showed this at the TOC and all I can say is "Thank You."

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More Alumni . . .

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Ret. still leading that great group of scoundrels for their monthly luncheon, this month the group is trekking down to San Francisco to be the guests of **Bob Williams '37** . . . If you're looking for a quick ride, don't forget **Tim Warren '64** owner of Metro Ambulance Service.

And if your luck has gone a little bad at the Lake, be sure to call **Dave Mello '65** at the Crocker Anglo Bank, South Lake Tahoe Branch . . . Congrats to **John Fletcher** on his new appointment as Varsity Football Coach at McClatchy High School, I'm sure that John will be bringing the Lions back to some of their past glory years . . . One dapper alum that is always on the prowl for talent is **Ronnie King '46**, scout with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

And talking about a guy on the prowl, one of Sacramento's Finest, Sacramento Police Dept.'s **Ed Middleton '55** has shown a lot of ingenuity and class — he married my secretary . . . now that every one is scurrying around trying to find out about their roots, yours truly would like to know which family has had the most boys graduated from CB . . . also if there are any four generation families in our midst. If you know of any, please give me a call . . . and a special salute to Brother Joseph Neary for his great help in getting the alumni list updated.

ALUMNI NOTES . . .

Steven T. Scully '66 is coach of football at Lick H.S., San Jose. He just earned his law degree from Lincoln Law School . . . **Jeffrey N. Strand '66** is an electronic technician at McClellan Field . . . **Roger W. McKechnie '68** teaches religion at Catholic Central in Portland, Oregon . . . **Mark R. McKechnie '67** is an architect in Minneapolis . . . **Douglas P. Pengilly '71** is with the Department of Wild Life and Fisheries in Fairbanks, Alaska . . . **William F. Gabrielli, Jr., '73** is a doctoral candidate in Psychology at the University of Southern California . . . **James W. Dallosta, D.D.S. '69** has just opened his dental practice in town.

La Salle Club Sets May 12 Golf Tourney

The La Salle Club of Christian Brothers High School has announced the 12th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on May 12th. The Tournament will be played at Bing Maloney Golf Course followed by a "Free" cocktail hour featuring many delicious hors d'oeuvres, full course steak dinner, many, many prizes.

A special feature this year is a special gift for every player, and again this year there will be shown during the cocktail hour closed circuit television films of all the players on the course. This event has proven to be a great time for all who attend.

For the donation of \$27.50 you can enjoy a day of golf, free cocktails, prizes, a delicious dinner and even be able to observe your swing on closed circuit TV.

An invitation will be mailed to all the members of the La Salle Club, those who have played in prior tournaments, and any others who are interested in playing may contact the chairmen: John Ceccarelli (428-6762), Dave Treiber (487-2117), Jim Burich (441-0336).

Get your foursome's together and be assured of a fun day!!!

Brother Eugene

Brother Eugene Ward, F.S.C. beloved teacher and principal for a good many years has recently undergone some serious surgery. Brother, presently convalescing at the Christian Brothers Community in Los Angeles, has a unique position in the Province since he is principal of Mater Dei High School in Orange County. Mater Dei is a non-Brothers High School.

Moving?

Your Alumni society is making every effort to keep in touch with you. Won't you please let us know your exact address. If a Brother, relative or friend is not receiving the Connection, please get in touch with the Alumni Office. If your parents are still receiving your Alumni correspondence, won't you please give us an update.

The Regents

In 1977 under the leadership of Brother Ronald Roggenback, F.S.C., Principal of Board of Regents comprising eminent citizens of the Sacramento business, religious, judicial and legal community was formed. The purpose of the Board is to serve in an advisory and supportive capacity to the Administration as Christian Brothers starts its second century of service to the community. The members of the board include:

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Entry Exam

987 young men and women took the entrance exam last February for the six Catholic high schools in the Sacramento area. Every Catholic secondary school will be filled to capacity again next year as they have been for the past decade. Christian Brothers H.S. will be taking an entering class of 200 after having tested over 250.