



Fund Raising Appeal Kickoff on May 25

"Kickoff date for starting the Fund Raising Appeal will be May 25, 1978 at the school," announced Ray Clemons, Development Drive Chairman. He stated that "the appeal is meant to meet the rising costs of education and the abiding inflation." This is the first appeal in Christian Brothers 100 year history.

Thanks to the generosity of Christian Brothers Winery of California (\$265,000 for the coming year) and the contributed services of the Christian Brothers of the Sacramento Community (\$100,000), the school is financially sound.

The signals are all too evident that even with these generous subsidies, we still have been forced to raise tuitions to such a point that there is danger of

eliminating the community the Christian Brothers as a religious order were founded to serve and to cater to, since it is becoming increasingly difficult for a working man to send his children to private schools. The reason for the appeal is to preserve the character of Christian Brothers School for future generations of Sacramentan youth.

Father Hesburgh, C.S.C., President of Notre Dame University in an interview printed in the New York Times and commenting on the greatness of Notre Dame, said that "Money is the key to excellence in education." Christian Brothers is financially sound and is taking steps now to assure the same high quality of instruction that has been its characteristic. Forceful steps are being taken to assure the continuance of this tradition.

Most students (91%) go on to higher education and follow up studies show a very good achievement record. Christian Brothers graduates remain in California and more importantly in the Sacramento area which makes it a valued community asset.

Flash!

As we went to press, Chairman Ray Clemons reported that a total of \$75,280 has been received in cash and pledges. This is a remarkable sum when you realize that only 38 gifts have been made with only 18 people working in raising these funds.

With 3000 alumni yet to be contacted, let's hope for \$150,000 before May 25.

RAY CLEMONS PAYS A DEBT

by Dick Cable

Ray Clemons, former head football coach of Sacramento State University and presently Director of Alumni and Community Relations and Special Events for the University, has agreed



Ray Clemons

to head CBHS's development drive.

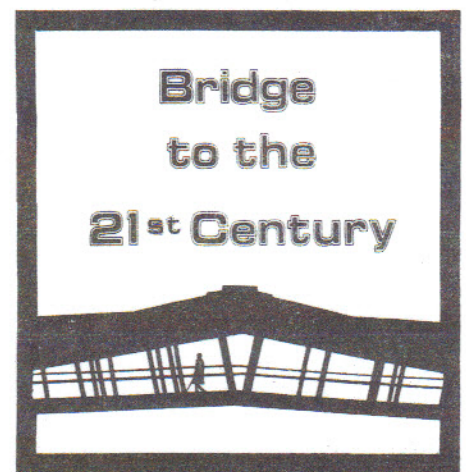
Ray told me that he doesn't have a lot of background or experience in spearheading fund raising drives, but he made it clear that he has the greatest prerequisite of all . . . a love for Christian Brothers High School, a belief in its role as a leader in the Sacramento education community, and a sense of obligation for the benefits he has personally enjoyed because of his relationship with the Christian Brothers.

Ray went to St. Mary's College on a football scholarship more than a few years ago and after graduating under the guidance of the Brothers, he also found employment from them. From 1948-1956, Ray served CB as Athletic Director, head football coach and just about anything else he could do for the school. Later, Ray was to see his own sons graduate from CB.

For Ray Clemons, the development drive is an obligation he takes with love and gratitude. He told me that he knows many others feel as he does and will respond to the request for help just as he has done.

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Before carrying this effort to the community at large, the Administration, Board of Regents, Friends and Alumni will be embarking on a special appeal. Those associated with the Christian Brothers Family understand the reason for this step. They have shared in and gloried in the dramatic progress of Christian Brothers in the 20th Century and now they wish to assure this legacy for many future generations of Sacramento youth. They are building the bridge for the work that lies ahead.



The theme for the Brothers fund raising appeal is "Bridge to the 21st Century".

Alumni News

by Jack Stassi '40

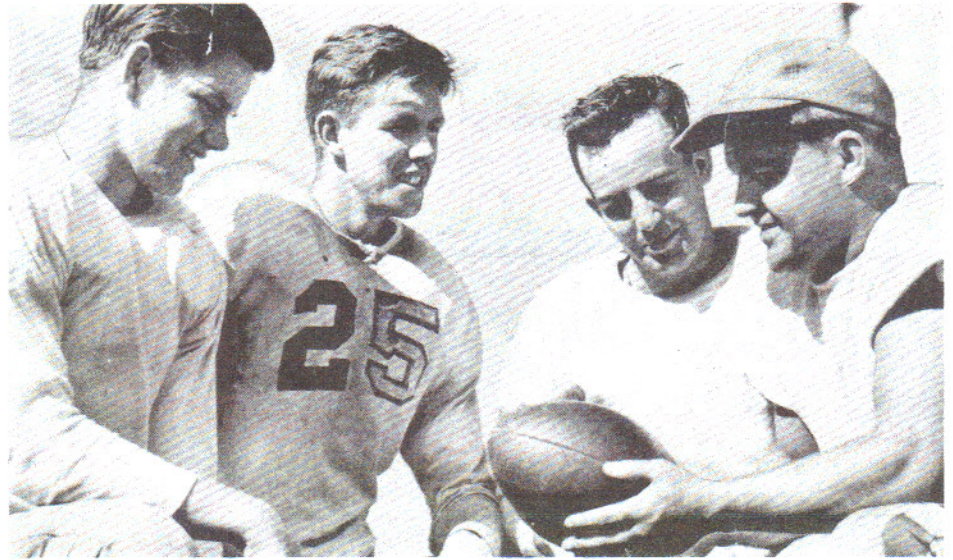
Let's take a look and see what some of the local alums are up to . . . a terrific father and sons team, **John J. Steiner '32**, sons **John J. Jr. '63** and **Tim '65**, owners of the Lumberjack Co. . . and if there is any high school west of the Mississippi our size that can top this accomplishment, I'd love to know about it — we now have six Superior or Municipal Court Judges serving our county — **Judge William Lally '37**, **Judge Lloyd Phillips '42**, **Judge Joseph Babich '43**, **Judge Edward Garcia '46** and **Judge John Sapunor '36**

Sherwood Johnson '43, originator of Shakey's Pizza Parlor now living in the Marysville area — watch for him in some of the Shakey's national TV ads . . . **John J. Ryan '43** proudly watching wife Vivian receive the Outstanding Volunteer Worker award from the Sacramento Association for the Retarded . . . and brother **Dr. William A. Ryan '42** always in the forefront of local Irish causes . . . nice to hear that my old roommate at U.S.F., and now a partner in the CPA firm of Strain and Co. has been appointed to the Board of Regents . . .

The two Coyle boys, **Dr. James S. '42** and **Dr. Richard '47** still practicing medicine together . . . **Russ Deterding '47** always a big CBS and St. Mary's College supporter . . . **William Fippin '61** with Dept of Motor Vehicles and his brother **Cornelius Fippin '56** watching out for us consumers at the Dept. of Consumer Affairs . . . **Dr. Paul Lagomarsino '55** is on the staff of the Board of Governors of Mercy Hospital . . .

Financial wizard **Yubi Separovich '32**, Chairman of the Board at Atlas Thrift Co. . . Ex County Supervisor **Frank O'Brien '30** still very active in the real estate business . . . and did you read the article on another of our financial whizzes in one of the local papers — **Ed Lammerding '47** Chairman of the Board of Capital Bank of Commerce, one of Sacramento's success stories in banking circles . . . **Dr. John D. Keating, '56** pediatrician taking care of all the little ones in Fair Oaks

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A Union shot of Dan Lahey '50, Bill Mulderrig '49, Joe Concannon '49' and Coach Ray Clemons.

SENIORS GARNER \$ SCHOLARSHIPS

Twenty-four Christian Brothers have received scholarships and grants from the State of California valued up to a quarter of a million dollars over the four years of their college career.

Twenty of the seniors have received State Scholarships. These four year grants pay tuition at the California college or university, public or private, which the student attends. Grants range in value from a high of \$2700 for a private college to lesser amounts for public institutions.

State Scholarships are based on grade point average, scores on the national Scholastic Aptitude Exam, and financial need.

Four seniors of Christian Brothers won College Opportunity Grants which are also sponsored by the State of California. These grants, covering tuition and subsistence amounts up to \$1000, are for low income families where students could not go to college without this help. College Opportunity recipients were Peter Grego, Richard Henning, Felipe Macias and Peter Rosales.

State Scholarship recipients included: Steven Barsanti, Shaun Campbell, Mark Cleary, Thomas Colby, Francis Felix, Gregorio Garcia, Richard Henning, Dennis Holland, Michael Kettmann, Royce Kirkland, Kenneth Kirene, Edward Kropp, Walter Lott, Jerrery Lusich, Felipe Macias, Thomas McNamara, Vincent Nevarez, Ricardo Ramos, Peter Rosales and Boyd Staley.

Students who qualified for both scholarships must make a final choice of the one they wish to take by June 1.

CLEMONS LEADS . . .

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And he feels that he can bring a strong message to the community as a whole about the great contribution that CB has made over the past century, that it is making and must continue to make. So, you'll be hearing from Ray Clemons . . . he needs your help. And if you want to get a jump on things, why don't you get a hold of Ray?

The story of CB's need should be familiar to most of you by now. For years, Christian Brothers Winery has picked up the tab for the difference between operating expenses for the school and the amount raised by tuition and fees and other sources of income. Lately, there has been a growing gap between the amount of the obligation that the winery can fund and the school's income.

The Development Drive will seek to raise an estimated \$300,000 over the next three years to keep the school on sound financial footing and ensure the continuation of its outstanding education program.

But as Ray Clemons told me . . . "We won't beg. We have an important contribution to make, a quality service to talk about, and many loyal friends who will respond when they hear the need."

Just as Ray is doing.

Twelve Angry Men

For the first time in nearly a decade, CB will present its own drama production, *Twelve Angry Men*. The play, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, May 20-21, is directed by Brother Martin in the round on a temporary stage in the Speech Arts Room.

More Alumni . . .

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. . . The Brothers **Ingolia** believe in diversification, **Anthony '53** in the family business, and **Donald '57** a local prominent attorney . . .

Now let's see what some of the boys are doing out of our fair city . . . **Matthew G. Radovich '26**, living in San Francisco . . . **Dr. Philip M. Sapunor '51** living across the Bay in Walnut Creek, also his classmate **Henrick Paalman '51** living just a mile or two down the road . . . **Max Baer, Jr. '55**, still very active producing and directing in Hollywood, returned to town for his mom's funeral . . . **Joseph Bertain '47** practicing law in San Francisco and his brother **Leonard '61** has a doctorate from Harvard, and brother **Thomas '51** living in Rio Dell . . .

Another alum who learned his math real well at CB, **Thomas Bigelow '43** and executive with Wells Fargo and now living in San Mateo . . . and another banking executive making his mark — **Joe Crane '49**, now residing in Stockton . . . and 62's **Al French PhD** who teaches statistics at UC Davis . . . **Jack Wirts '49** an IBM exec living in New Jersey . . . where **Dr. Bartley Mondino '63** ophthalmologist lives . . . and an old buddy of mine **Bob Fouts, '39** the ex voice of the '49ers back in San Francisco after tour of duty as sports editor of one of the large LA stations . . .

Spencer Ballou '57 still painting up a storm as one of the Concord area's leading painting contractors . . . **Michael J. Corrigan** coordinator for the Handicapped at Louisiana State University . . . **Richard W. Carroll '67** is on the Child Evaluation Program at University of Arizona, Tempe . . .

As you have read in this issue, the Christian Brothers here in Sacramento are kicking off their very first major fund drive. They have been here for over 100 years and have never gone out to the alums or community for help, but with the rising cost of education, it is now of absolute necessity. We as alums know the value of the well rounded Christian education that we received from the Brothers. Many of our parents could not afford to pay the tuition, but no one was rejected for financial reasons, so I ask you to give as generously as possible so that the high standards of quality education will be able to continue, and made available for our kids and grandkids . . . That's thirty.

Bro Joe Says: "Check Your History" The Students We Serve

by Brother Joseph Neary

A year's work by our staff has produced the whereabouts of 3200 living alumni. There are another 1000 whose addresses or status is presently unknown. Who are these alumni?

Our early class lists show a pattern of Celtic surnames which as time went on broadened to German, Italian and Slavic names. After World War II, population took a dramatic turn when new groups moved into the area. At present the roles of Christian Brothers show 17% of the student body with hispanic surnames. Alumni lists, too, confirm this same pattern for the past 25 years.

Christian Brothers is located in the Oak Park area which is considered low middle class neighborhood. Some of our students come from this area but most commute from longer distances. Presently there are 40 black students in a school population of 700. Since its origin, Christian Brothers has never discriminated on the basis of color, religion or national origin in the selection of students or in the hiring of teachers.

Christian Brothers, true to the ideals of its founder, has traditionally served the sons of working families and the poor. There is no discrimination against the sons of professional people, however, and today 8% of the student body fall in this class.

Christian Brothers has given strong upward mobility to its graduates as our Alumni lists clearly manifest. Today 91% of our graduates go to college and evidence desire for professional as well as vocational careers. Medicine, law, banking, real estate, clergy, teaching are in strong evidence among the alumni as well as a more recent trend toward ecology and nature interests.

The dark days of the depression of the 30's and 40's touched individuals as well as the school. Few students could pay the going rate of the time (\$60 per year) and only a prayer and the determination of the Brothers to hold to their mission to the poor kept the school alive. Many students passed through CBS without paying a penny. And this was at the very time when the Brothers and the Province went completely in hock, all of their properties having gone into receivership, a very dark hour for CBS and the Brothers.

God provided however, and the

wines of the Christian Brothers saved the Province and our educational aims to serve the poor. In fact the Winery still picks up the tab for a quarter of a million dollars each year for the school's funding of students who could not otherwise attend.

Never before have the Brothers appealed directly to the community to ask for help. The Brothers have been reticent to do so. The subsidy from the Winery gave a sense of well being and finances have always seemed to be there. Stable financial administration has kept the school sound.

However today, the Board of Regents has studied the situation and wish to avoid the financial problems which have ravaged other private schools. The Brothers have no intention of abandoning their students for a more affluent clientele. Thus the reason for our appeal to friends, alumni and parents to help us continue our good work.

Summer in Thailand

Brother Ronald, Principal, will be participating in a unique program this summer. He will be teaching school administrators in a Masters program in Thailand. This is part of a project sponsored by the Christian Brothers to upgrade education in developing countries.

The Crop Fast

Students from Christian Brothers participated in a 24 hour fast for hunger sponsored by CROP on April 14 and 15. Students raised over \$4000 for world hunger during the overnight event which included students from Bishop Manogue, St. Francis, Loretto and Mercy.

Students Donate Blood

"Blood is the gift of life." This was the motto of the fourth annual blood bank held at Christian Brothers High School on May 18. About thirty students and ten adults took part in this unique experience. Blood is now available to any student or family member when the need arises.

LaSalle Fireworks

The La Salle Club will again this year sponsor a fireworks booth at 15th and Broadway in the parking lot of the Tower Theater. Please make a note to buy your holiday fireworks there.

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Where Are They Now?

Every so often an alumnus inquires for the whereabouts of some former faculty member. This article helps to fill you in on where they are now.

Brother Hugh (Kennedy) was director of Novices last year. This next year will find him at the Brothers Spiritual Life Center in New Mexico at Santa Fe.

Death took the legendary Brother Basil last year. Brother spent the last decade at the Christian Brothers Retreathouse at St. Helena. Also gone to the Lord is Brother Maris (Spillane), who coached and taught at Brothers during the 50's. As someone put it, "He was a neat guy."

Brother Carl (Lyons), a dynamic teacher at 21st and Broadway, is even more active at St. Mary's College where he teaches theology and is a much sought-after speaker at conventions and workshops.

Brother Arnold Stewart is finishing up a long term as Principal of Sacred Heart High in San Francisco. Brother Warren — The mathematician, is also teaching there.

Mont La Salle is the location of Brothers Gordon, Justin and Luke. Can you believe that Brother Luke is retired?

St. Marys College has Brother Gabriel Murphy, original principal of Bishop Armstrong, as professor of Theology. Brother Ronald, vp and later principal, is Director of Finance at the college but you will only locate him if you call his Brother Haig. Brother James Ash directs student housing at St. Marys now and Brother Augustus (got your notebook?) teaches chem there.

Brother Boniface (now known as Brother George) still swings a mean golf club in Fresno at San Joaquin Memorial High School. Brother Edward (who used to be Paul) still recalls the great yearbooks he produced at Bishop Armstrong while sunning himself in Pasadena at La Salle High School.

Still at Christian Brothers is Brother Christopher Hosman and Brother George Bertola, formerly Brother Claude. The change in names may strike many as confusing but the 1966 General Chapter permitted Brothers to resume their baptismal names which, up to that time, they had given up when they became Brothers.

Moving to Marysville in September will be Dick Sperbeck, long time teacher and coach at the Sacramento Blvd. location. Dick will teach and coach at Marysville High, his alma mater.

Rejoining the faculty for 1978 will be Jack Witry who returns to teaching after two years in business. Recent grads recall that Jack handled discipline rather effectively.

Also rejoining the faculty in '78 will be Brother Richard Camara who was in charge of "Boarders" in the early 60's. Brother will commute from Rome where he is studying in a special program at the Motherhouse.

If you have any faculty member you'd like to have mentioned in this column, drop a not to the editor.

Life-time Offer

The Alumni Office has written to each parent of the 1978 graduating class offering a life-time membership in the Alumni Association. The cost of such a membership is \$100.

The dues will be invested and will not be touched for a period of ten years by which time it should have doubled. This will be the first endowment that the school has had in its history. Each graduate who signs up for a life-time membership will receive a laminated certificate and a plaque will be erected with the names of the life-time members.

Alumni interested in this program may contact Brother Joe at the School, 452-2876.

COMING UP

- May 18 — Blood Mobile on campus
- May 25 — Fund Appeal Drive Begins
- June 5-7 — Semester Exams
- June 8 — Baccalaureate Mass 9:30 a.m., Graduation, 8:00 p.m.
- June 9 — Registration for 78-79
- Sept. 5 — School Begins

Pray for Brother Fred

Your prayers are requested for Brother Frederick who taught at the old CBS in the 50's. Brother, President of the Mont La Salle Vineyards, is currently recovering from surgery.

As a young teacher in Sacramento, Brother contracted the dreaded polio. Prayers of the community helped gain a full cure from the illness. Since that time, he has held principal assignments at St. Mary's High in Berkeley and Graces in Bakersfield. He has held administrative posts at the winery for more than 10 years.

Since our last announcement about Brother Eugene Ward's surgery, we have had many requests about his condition. We are happy to report that Brother is convalescing well.

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