



Christian Brothers Begins 103rd Year



The Christian Brothers administration for 1978-79 includes (l to r) Brother John Achin, dean of activities, Brother Ronald Roggenback, principal, James Hughes, dean of studies; top row, Patrick O'Brien, guidance director, Brother Joseph Neary, development director, Brother Bede Van Duren, religious superior, and Brother Richard Camara, dean of students.

James Machado, R.I.P.

Friends of Christian Brothers were saddened to hear of the death of James Machado, class of 1966, who was a four year veteran of the Placer County Sheriff's Department at the time of his death in July. Machado was shot during a scuffle with an escaped mental patient in Auburn.

Machado was a native of San Francisco. He graduated from St. Marys College in 1970. He is survived by his wife, Nancy, children James F., Joy and Jeannet, and parents Dr. Manuel J. Machado and Sadieruth Machado. Our prayers are with them.

Alumni Office

The Alumni Office is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Office is available to all classes in the organization of their class reunions.

Miss Pam Sutton is ever ready to be of service to the alumni.

Fund Drive Gifts Mounting

In early May, Christian Brothers High School made its first appeal for funds. The first phase of this appeal closed on June 30, with a total of \$130,000 from 115 gifts from Alumni and friends for an average gift of \$1130. Fifty of the gifts ranged from \$1000 to \$12,000 and these accounted for \$108,000 of the total.

Organization is presently underway to broaden the base of the appeal to include the 3500 alumni appearing on our lists. Drive Chairman Raymond Clemons, hopes to achieve a goal of \$300,000 during the coming months. The success of the first phase gives all concerned much reason for optimism. If you haven't been contacted, call the alumni office at 452-2876.

September 6 Christian Brothers High School opened its doors for its 103rd year of Catholic education with a full enrollment of 720. Brother Ronald in his seventh year as principal reports many administrative and staff changes for the school year.

Two new administrators are making their second appearance in the Sacramento area. Brother Richard Camara, new dean of students, returns after a 14-year absence. Brother Richard spent a sabbatical in Spain studying language and later in Rome at the Centre Internationale Lasallienne of religious studies. Brother Richard's masters in counseling gives him a good background in handling disciplinary situations.

Brother John Achin, newly appointed dean of activities and public relations had taught at Brothers until 1966. Previously Brother John was the academic vice-principal of San Joaquin Memorial High School in Fresno, the new home of Brother Tom, his predecessor. Brother has a Masters degree from Portland University.

Also joining the administrative team is Mr. James Hughes, a veteran of seven years at Brothers. In his position as dean of studies, Mr. Hughes will supervise scheduling, student placement, teacher assignment and general implementation of the academic program. He will also continue his interest in business courses and career development.

Rejoining the staff after a two year absence is popular Jack Witry who teaches business and math. Witry took a leave to manage business operations for a successful fine food company in the area. Also returning is Brother Terryl Jones, following a year's novitiate and religious studies. Brother is senior moderator, humanities instructor and director of an evaluation project of the humanities program.

New members of the religious staff are Brothers Joseph Desimone and Kevin Bernston. Brother Joseph instructs in the american and religious studies program while Brother Kevin is freshman counselor, English instructor and drama moderator.

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Alumni News

by Jack Stassi '40

In a previous column I asked for the family that had the most CBS grads and I don't believe we can top **James and Mary Church**. Check this lineup **Msgr. Jim Church '50, Jack '58, Mike '60, Bernie '62, Kevin, '65, Kenny '68, Terry '71, Tim '75. Mr. & Mrs. Church** we the alumni salute you, and thanks Bernie for the info . . . I know that my faithful readers will not believe this but your friendly reporter made a slight error. In reporting how proud we were to have six judges serving Sacramento County, I only named five of the distinguished gentlemen, so a thousand pardons to the Honorable **William Gallagher '38**, sorry about that Bill . . . and how about my fellow USF alum Judge **Peter Allen Smith**, recently reelected in Marin County who recalls his two great years at CB? . . . Now let's see what some of the out of towners are doing . . . **William S. Hines '60** is a legislative analyst for the County of Los Angeles . . . and how about **John C. Shepard '44**, Rear Admiral USN . . . **Brad Morgan '60** received his degree in Clinical Psychology and is now working with the Dept. of Forestry in Yosemite . . . **Dr. Richard Carroll '64** is head of Psychological Service at the Childrens Hospital in Tempe, Arizona . . . **Tom Gillons '52** is the Administrator at Sonoma State Hospital . . . **Bob Fouts '39** the ex voice of the San Francisco 49ers is with HUD in San Fran, and really proud of his son Dan who is the quarterback for the San Diego Chargers. Rightly so Bob . . . **Marston Chavez '55** is a member of the State Personnel Board for Southern California . . . **Lyle Moffitt '64** left the fishing business to go into the construction business in the San Diego area . . . **Robert McFarland '41** is a Senior Right of Way agent for the state in San Bruno . . . **Robert Verdina '65** practicing Pharmacy in Concord . . . and his classmate **Mike Wehling '65** is in plumbing supply business in Connecticut . . . if you are in the Los Gatos area and looking for antiques, stop in and see **Michael Tenney '65** at Montgomery Antiques . . . and if you're taking a longer trip and are traveling in the Idaho area stop in and say hello to **Dave Russell '69** who is Park Manager at Round Lake State Park . . . **Brother George Peterson fsc '65** is into education film business in Los Angeles . . . **Joe Lutz '48** now living with his family in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Joe is Cochairperson of Dawson Colleges Humanities and Philosophy Dept. . . . and in the land of sunshine and Palm Trees **Jim Dubey '61**

a very successful painting entrepreneur leading the good life in Hawaii, a neighbor of **Larry Marietti '62** of IBM . . . Now let's see what some of the local boys are doing . . . **Joe Ostoja '40** the merchants prince of the produce world is fast becoming the new Arnold Palmer of the Land Park Golf Course, just ask his brother in law **Bob Barbeau '40** . . . if you are in need of a rental just contact **Art Hagus '38** at Southside Rentals, he has everything from 2 ton Trucks to kiddie cars . . . the word is out that we have a very promising Chef in our midst, **Peter Ivanovich '75** was head Chef at Camp Sacramento this year and I heard tell that his final banquet which he entitled "The Feast of the Fisherman" was something to behold . . . The old Clothes Horse, **Arch Crossland '39**, showing the lucky people of Santa Cruz his fineries . . . **Alan Cordano '61** son of **Ray '39** a real chip off the old block is developing some shopping centers in the State of Washington . . . Smilin **Bill Blanas '39** after a brief stay in the hospital feeling chipper again . . . **Pat McIntosh '57** in the real estate business and with none other than the McIntosh Company . . . Judge **Joe Babich '43** strutting his stuff, and why shouldn't he with such a talented daughter just appointed Athletic Director of one of our state colleges . . . **Marvin Neves '50** one of the big farmers on the Delta not too happy with the early rain . . . Congrats to **Richard Desmond '41** on his appointment Vice President of the Condemnation Lawyers Assn. . . also **Vic Martinelli '37** on his election as President of the Dante Club of Sacramento, and you really have to be smart, good looking, and charming to be no. 1 in that organization, I should know as I also am an ex pres. of that prestigious organization . . . **Dr. Thomas Bellou '60** has not one but two specialties, Nuclear Medicine and Diagnostic Radiology . . . if dear wife wants a little fix up around the house **Dennis Messner '60** has all the fixins at Hollywood Hardware . . . talking about wives **Al Franzoia '39** knows how to keep his Mrs. out of mischief, he has put his bride Denise in business. She has just opened a Low Calorie Ice Cream, Pic, etc. business in the North Area called The Thinnery . . . Be sure to keep the information rolling in as the person or persons sending in the most valuable alumni information will receive a personally autographed picture of your friendly alumni reporter, which I am sure you, your wife, or somebody would like to hang somewhere.

Bro. Bede Roasted At Nice Guy Dinner

Each year the Nice Guy Tennis Tournament chooses a special person to honor . . . and roast. As chairman of the tourney, Pat O'Brien wrote to celebrities to ask for photos and notes to include in a scrapbook which would be presented to this year's roaste, Brother Bede Van Duren.

Pat explained to the celebrities that the good Brother had devoted his life to teaching for 25 years, had the thankless task of dean of discipline at schools throughout the state, and had been the founding principal at a Christian Brothers high school in the wine country.

Responses were prompt and enthusiastic. Tributes came from such notables as Governor Brown, entertainers Frank Sinatra, Phil Harris, John Wayne, Vikki Carr, Burt Holiday and Richard Dwyer of the Ice Follies. It was Wayne's comment on the craggy one-eyed Roster Cogburn photo that proved the capper: "Dean of discipline and a nice guy? Hard to believe! Congratulations."

Anyone who's ever gone to Brothers can understand why the "Duke" saw an implicit contradiction in terms there.

Brother responded on a more serious note that he reflects the love of parents and friends to students and community, and that he is looking forward to being part of the CB scene.

Grads Cop Tourney

CB grads Dr. Harry Viani and Mike Elorduy, both of the class of '60, teamed to defeat the team of Dr. Ed Ishii-Bud Gardner for the championship of the second annual "Nice Guy" tourney at Willow Creek on Wednesday, July 26. The tourney raised money for tennis at Brothers.

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NEW STAFF . . .

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David Cerrona, a UC Davis grad with highest honors, replaces irreplaceable Mike Auman, who has taken a government position, in math and science. John Fitsos '71 returns to the campus to teach law and typing. James E. Davis, with a BS in Engineering from Michigan and an MS in English from USC, is teaching mechanical drawing. James Struck, a USC grad, teaches P.E. Fitsos, Davis and Struck are all law students at local law schools.

Justin Meyer: A Wine Maker with Style

Students of the early sixties recall a burly, fun-loving but serious young Brother who taught Spanish, business and religion while coaching basketball and golf and playing the guitar or banjo on the side. His name is Justin Meyer, and he recalls CB with particular fondness.

The popular teacher has since left the Brotherhood and moved his career in a different direction, that of wine maker. The Los Angeles Times wine editor Nathan Chroman was so impressed with Justin that he wrote the following feature on the daring young wine maker:

"There are wine makers with as much style as their wines, like Justin Meyer of the Franciscan Vineyards.

"If you compliment him on his style he would vehemently deny it just as vehemently. I would assert that here is a wine maker who, at a youngish 40, is independent, fun-loving, brilliant and fiercely proud. On top of everything else he is one of California's finest wine makers as confirmed recently by his new wine releases.

"Both his wine and personality and wine-style are just beginning to surface after tours of duty with Christian Brothers and, for the last two and a half years, with Franciscan, a winery that had gone belly-up.

"That Meyer brought the winery back from financial and enological despair is not only a mark of his ability, but also shows a personality that does not wince at a challenge or two.

"To meet him with a glass of Franciscan in hand while singing and strumming his guitar (a favorite pastime) is decidedly different from encountering the quietly confident Joe Concanon, the iconoclastic Joe Heitz, the passionate Andre Tchelistcheff, the dynamic Robert Mondavi and the gentle, familial dignity of Louis Martini. If you could bottle all that style, Bacchus himself would buy a case for his own cellar.

"When the Franciscan facility, a modern plant only four years old, was



Justin Meyer goes to work.

acquired, there were about 200,000 gallons of bulk wine in cooperage on hand. Meyer tasted it, kept some for aging, blending and bottling under the Franciscan name and sold the rest to other wineries.

"After much deliberation, he and his partner, Colorado businessman Ray Duncan, elected to sell the bottled wine and virtually begin anew. The sale of wine at the unheard of price of \$1 a bottle was kind of a joke in the Napa Valley. Consumers, though, bought 30,000 cases and had the pleasure of tasting it first. Meyer himself frequently joked that 'it was the best \$1 bottle of wine in the Napa Valley.'

"The bargain sale, of course, did not endear him to the valley. Some wine makers and local retailer were angry because they may have considered that every bottle of wine sold at \$1 robbed them of a sale of something else.

"Actually, the sale brought much good will to Franciscan (perhaps to

the Napa Valley too) as there are many good \$1 bottles of Franciscan gracing tables unable to afford other brands.

"The fun-loving tag, though accurate, really belies Meyer's ability. Indeed, in some wine circles he might be considered overeducated. Few wine makers can boast of a BA in economics from St. Marys College, as well as a BS degree in viticulture and enology from UC Davis topped by a masters in horticulture from the same institution. The grape-growing expertise is decidedly useful in maintaining the more than 1,000 acres the Franciscan partnership controls.

"One of Justin's creation is the Franciscan proprietary wine, Sundance. Appropriately named by Meyer in honor of California's sunny slopes, this is a delightful Muscat wine with a supreme 'Muscaty' nose, extremely full flavored and thoroughly delightful drinking.

"It is a splendid finish to the new Franciscan line from Justin Meyer a highly stylized maverick Napa Valley wine maker, also known in those parts as the Sundance Kid."

Grads Push Stadium

Last week two CB grads were in the forefront of a proposal to promote a 32,000 seat, tri-purpose sports stadium for the Sacramento area.

Frank McCormack '63, project coordinator, and attorney Tom Redmon '62 are representing the Lukenbill Construction Company in the presentation and implementation of this privately owned and financed stadium on Bradshaw Road, the same area where Supervisor Pat Melarkey '49 fought for a public sports complex.

In Remembrance

Dr. Alfred A. Oliver, 69, long-time La Salle Club member, died September 27 in a local hospital from a complication of illnesses.

Long associated with baseball in the area, "Doc" was president of the Sacramento Bushes Baseball Players Association and a scout for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Dr. Oliver is survived by his wife, Evelyn, son Fred of the class of '63, two grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Eleanor O'Connell. May he rest in peace.

Grad Gets Top Education Post

Brother Norman Cook '47 has been appointed Director of Education for the San Francisco Province by Provincial Brother Raphael Willike recently. In this office, Brother Norman serves as superintendent of schools owned and conducted by the Brothers in California and Oregon.

Brother Norman, a popular grad of

the powerful '47 class, served as principal at Mont La Salle, De La Salle (Concord) and most recently St. Mary's of Berkeley. He founded the Concord school.

Brother replaces Brother Cassian Frye, Director of Education since 1972, who has been assigned to the vice presidency of the CB winery.

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A Word From Brother Joe

Ed Lammerding remarked in one of the meetings last May that the request for funds for Christian Brothers School was one of the easiest campaigns that he was ever on. We have had very few refusals to date and in the first phase of our program we have averaged better than \$13,000 for each pledge.

We are now going to appeal to our Alumni on a wider scale than we have ever done. In fact, this will be the first time that Christian Brothers has ever made an appeal. I foresee no more difficulty than was encountered by the workers on the first phase. In fact, the response from the Alumni should be a heartening one if my reading of the signs is correct.

What we need are the workers to contact the prospects. I am sure that we will be successful if we get out the workers. That is our program at this time.

NICE GUY TOURNEY . . .

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Third place went to Lou Pia and Pat O'Brien who defeated Psychiatrist John Tribbey and Brother Kenneth of the CB Winery. Consolation honors went to Byron Pierce and Brother Kilian, Director of Vocations for the Brothers.

The Christian Brothers Connection



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Where are they now . . .

During the past summer, Brother Joseph Neary, director of the Alumni was in Bethlehem in Palestine. He met Brother Eric Vogel, former teacher of Science at Christian Brothers during the fifties and early sixties. Brother Eric, Ph.D. (in Physics from the University of California) is head of the Physics department at Bethlehem University. His address is P.O. Box #9, Bethlehem via Israel.

Brother James Urhausen is now teaching in St. Mary's H. S. in Berkeley; Brother Martin Di Martini has been assigned to Sacred Heart H.S. in San Francisco; Brother George Vangrieken is at Mont La Salle in Napa; and Brother Tom Westberg is assistant principal in San Joaquin H.S. in Fresno.

Brother Hilary LaTour formerly religious superior has been appointed religious superior of the Brothers' Community in De La Salle H.S. in Concord. Brother Hilary is a former student of Christian Brothers School.

Principal Shares Thailand Impressions

As reported in the last Connection, Brother Ronald taught teacher training courses in Thailand this past summer. When asked his impression of the country, he wrote the following:

"Thailand is truly a most fascinating and exotic country — It's serene politeness; it's centuries old religious traditions; it's folk arts, music, and dances; it's fiery architecture; it's delicately beautiful people — but it is also a country with terrible poverty, an authoritarian system and tradition that stifles creativity; a process of westernization that is endangering the beneficial traditions of the people, and a land with a severe refugee problem.

"Any westerner who approaches Thailand without leaving aside his western prejudices and expectations will be out-of-place and probably, sorely disappointed; but for he who will approach with respect and a willingness to help without dictation, the experience will be one of the most rewarding in his life."

Varsity, JV Football Schedule

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	FIELD
Saturday	October 7	Kennedy	Hughes
Friday	October 13	Open	
Friday	October 20	McClatchy	Hughes
Thursday	October 26	Sacramento	Hughes
Saturday	November 4	Burbank	Hughes
Friday	November 10	Johnson	Sacramento State

JV games at 6:00, Varsity at 8 p.m.

Soccer Schedule 1978

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	FIELD
Thursday	October 5	Johnson	Johnson
Tuesday	October 10	Cordova	CBS
Thursday	October 12	Kennedy	Kennedy
Tuesday	October 17	Burbank	CBS
Thursday	October 19	McClatchy	CBS
Tuesday	October 24	Sacramento	Sacramento
Tuesday	October 31	Johnson	CBS
Thursday	November 2	Cordova	Cordova
Monday, Friday	November 6, 8 & 11	Playoffs	