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From Your Editor

This issue includes a variety of items. First, we are completing some of the material which for lack of space was not completed in the last issue. The list of editors and directors for the *Associate of St. Joseph* publication should have been included in the article giving the history of publications for the Midwest Province. Also we continue our Columba Hall story with some additional material.

Our picture album has some special and interesting historical illustrations. And we continue to look at individual Holy Cross Brothers serving in some special home and foreign apostolates. Then our picture section salutes the growth and subsequent dedication of the updated facilities at Arkon-Hoban. Also, there are some endorsements of cur-

rent publications along with reviews.

And don't miss our second Sweepstakes: this time an identification is necessary.

Aware of the Christmas Season even as you read this, we include an original story and a special cover and back page illustration.

And there are the regular features of brief news items of individuals and suggested Prayer Intentions.

Our goal of maximum exchange is realized as many contributors send material that we pass on to you. As a reader you are invited to contribute material for publication. That makes future editions possible and interesting.

Brother Robert Siegel, C.S.C.

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Rhinestone Christmas

Every year at the Thanksgiving family dinner, the five Clancy adults, with their wife or husband, discussed how much each would have to contribute to cover Gramps' expenses for the year, a cost that usually ran each family about three hundred dollars.

But this year the discussion was somber, for Gramps had a thirty-thousand-dollar medical bill and a twenty-thousand-dollar house-repair bill, both unpaid.

So while Gramps was in his basement workshop showing his latest woodcarvings to the kids, the Clancy adults addressed the problem. Not one of them had that much extra cash, even if split five ways.

Bob said, "Twenty thousand, we can handle. But fifty? That will take some fancy financing."

Anne Clancy Greene sat quietly, listening. She was Gramps' bookkeeper, paying his bills, a job Gramma always did. Gramps never seemed aware of or interested in money, assuming his pension covered his expenses. He filled his day from early rising to late retiring with work, walking daily with his poodle the five blocks to the hospital where he had been a volunteer for years, shaving, washing, and feeding "friends with strokes" as he put it, talking to them about Columbus with enthusiasm. Gramps was also a Dickens fan. He talked on and on to anyone about both, Columbus or Dickens. Then he came home to work in his yard and garden in summer, or in his basement workshop and greenhouse in winter, making wonderful miniature rocking horses for three-year-olds, horses that seemed to be quivering for a run through the meadow.

Gramps' greenhouse was mostly three old refrigerators he used to force flower bulbs to bloom. By Christmas the house would be decorated with pots of forced white paper narcissus. Hyacinths too. Come January, crocuses. February, daffodils and tulips. Gramps' garden and house were always in bloom.

These thoughts were racing through Anne's mind while the discussion of financing was going on. When the question of Gramps' Christmas gift came up, a new poodle, Anne entered the discussion by telling them not to worry about that, for Aunt Carrie, Gramps' only sister, would see to it that the new puppy arrived for Christmas.

Anne had received money from Aunt Carrie to buy Gramps another miniature poodle, telling Anne to sneak the dog into the house the day before Christmas during the general confusion as all came and went getting ready for the Christmas Eve dinner and gift exchange.

Aunt Carrie had sold her husband's factory and moved to Florida, with her jewels. Anne remembers warmly going over to Aunt Carrie's every weekend during high school to help care for bed-ridden Uncle Will. "Help tidy up a bit," Aunt Carrie would say,

and she'd make it worth her while. Anne suspected early that her aunt really wanted someone to talk with about her favorite topic, jewels.

Anne remembered most vividly the pearls and diamonds, the rings, brooches, the rings, brooches, necklaces, and earrings. Other jewels, too, she remembered, rubies, emeralds, sapphires. But mostly she remembered diamonds — Aunt Carrie's favorite.

During these weekends Aunt Carrie never tired of training Anne how to tell a really fine jewel from an inferior one, or a fake. When they went out to lunch at fine restaurants, Anne would notice rings and necklaces and earrings that had the unmistakable ecstasy of a real jewel. "Yes, that's a real pearl necklace. You're learning," Aunt Carrie would beam.

And Anne had kept up this interest, visiting jewelry stores to renew her enthusiasm, and also to have something to write about to Aunt Carrie, for her two interests seemed to be jewels and her brother, Gramps, he who never seemed to catch on that Carrie had paid some of his bills. So from Anne's letters to her, Aunt Carrie knew that much money was needed this Christmas.

Aunt Carrie loved mystery, she loved surprises. And so just five days before Christmas a small, insured package came to Anne from Florida. Inside were two wrapped Christmas gifts, one with a tag on it saying "For the Dog," the other with a tag saying "Open this the day after you open the other." That was all, except a note asking Anne to kind of hide the dog's gift in the back under the tree so that it could be discovered last.

When Christmas came and all were busy, Gramps in the basement showing his son Dave and the kids how his flowers were coming, Anne quietly brought the puppy in. The poodle took to the house like an owner, racing from room to room. The kids, just taking it for granted that Gramps had a new dog, loved this white ball of fluff.

"Mom," five-year-old Jimmy asked his mother Anne while they were decorating the tree, "what kind of dog is that fluff?"

"It's a poodle, I'd guess. Did you notice he came back when you said fluff? Must be his name."

When Gramps came up from the basement, he immediately whistled the dog to him, thinking it belonged to one of the kids. The dog took to Gramps; clearly, a bond was forming.

Now it was Christmas eve, dusk outside with a rosy sunset on the white snow. Dinner was served, the seasonal songs sung, the gifts exchanged.

Anne had hidden the dog's gift in the back. One of the nosy little ones saw it, and gave it to Gramps.

"How did the dog get a gift?" he asked. "Not from me. Whose dog is he, anyway?"

Newsy-Bits-Of-News

BROTHER CHARLES MCBRIDE, director of communications for the Archdiocese of Anchorage, Alaska, attended a meeting with Pope John Paul II during his stop in Los Angeles. He also covered the visit of the Pope in San Francisco and his Mass in Candlestick Park. In the September 18 issue of *The Anchorage Times* on the Catholic Commentary page which lists Brother Charles McBride as director, there appeared an article, "Meeting with Media" by Brother Charles.

BROTHER MICHAEL FLANAGAN, advisor in the Freshman Year of Studies, University of Notre Dame, is a member of the RCIA as a part of Campus Ministry there. The team consists of a Holy Cross Sister, 2 undergraduate and 2 graduate students, a Holy Cross seminarian and a number of the ND Staff who were part of the program last year. The team meets once a week and the RCIA sessions are held at Badin Hall on Sunday afternoons.

Being stationed in Germany is a real help for **BROTHER JOSEPH BALLARD**, a former history teacher, because he can now see in person many of the locations which once were something in the text book only. Events and locations he visited included the Oktoberfest in Munich, and Trier, the oldest city in Germany, the location of a church built by Constantine in 316. The latter is just fifteen miles from his residence. Joseph took seniors from Bitburg High School to Bonn for a European International College Seminar. Recently Joseph was a weekend guest of two American seminarians at American College in Louvain, Belgium.

In New Orleans, **BROTHER TIMOTHY O'CONNELL** was awarded a service pin from the Director of Volunteer Services for the New Orleans AIDS Project for working as a volunteer in pastoral work at Charity Hospital this past year. Tim was also active with the installation of Father Tom Chambers as president of Our Lady of Holy Cross College. He served on the Inauguration Committee with the responsibility for the college reception for 500 and evening reception at a New Orleans' hotel for civic officials. Additionally, he coordinated the transportation for all of the out-of-town guests. The day's activities, therefore, saw all parts of the Holy Cross family working together.

"Finding and Valuing One's Role in Life," was the title of an article by **BROTHER JAMES O'DONNELL** in the *Lance*, a Gilmour Academy Publication. Two former staff personnel, **BROTHER GILES MARTIN**, now in residence at Columba Hall, Notre Dame; and **BROTHER ANDREW SUKENIK**, now deceased, were given special tribute in this feature. "I believe both of these men's lives portrayed a valuable lesson in living," was the challenge issued by James. He continued underlining some positive characteristics of Giles and Andrew "availability, openness, interest in others, commitment and determination."

Today's Catholic (Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend), October 4, included the following in the "Around the Diocese" page, under the headline, "Right-to-Life establishes fund in honor of **BROTHER JOHN LAVELLE**." The St. Joseph County Right to Life, Inc., has established a "Brother John Lavelle Memorial Fund" in honor of the Holy Cross Brother who served for many years with the organization.

Brother Lavelle who passed away two months ago, did extensive pro-life work on both the Notre Dame University and St. Mary's College campuses, as well as being a very active volunteer for St. Joseph County RTL.

Contributions can be sent to "Brother John Fund," in care of St. Joseph County Right to Life, 320 N. Lafayette Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601.

"Bringing Health Care to Coalfield," was an article in the September, 1987, *Mission* publication of the Holy Cross Health Care System. The article was well illustrated on each of the seven pages including showing **BROTHER CHESTER CASTER** on a home visit, and at the Johnson Health Care and Mountain Community Health Centers where he serves as medical director and president respectively.

Over one hundred religious from all three branches of Holy Cross gathered for a Memorial Mass on the feast of All Souls. Hosted at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat Center the principal celebrant was Father Richard Warner, Provincial, Indiana Province. Homilist was Father James Connelly, IP Archivist. As a part of the observance, the names of all the deceased of this past year were announced by representatives of each Society. At the conclusion of the Liturgy all present processed to the Notre Dame community cemetery for private observance and then joined in the *Salve Regina*.

BROTHER CHRIS DRYER, leader of the Pastoral Ministry program at Saint Joseph's High School, South Bend, was presented with the Bishop McManus Award as faculty member whose conduct affirms the mission of the school. He received this award for the school year, 1986-87.

Saint Joseph's High School ranked fifth in the state for the American High School Examination as announced in November, 1987.

Correction **BROTHER THOMAS MADDIX** is a member of the core faculty of the School of Applied Theology (SAT). SAT is a graduate or sabbatical program for lay people, religious, and clergy with students coming from around the world. This year's enrollment includes two Holy Cross members, a brother from the South West Province and a Sister from Seattle. Thomas works in areas of theological reflection and group dynamics plus being an advisor and spiritual director, besides being involved in the overall design of the program.

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Homecoming, '87

This seems to be the time for homecomings. Not quite matching the color and activity of many of the other homecomings of this season, the activity at Columba Hall did however have a uniqueness and meaning of its own. This get-together was appropriately celebrated on the Feast of All Saints at Columba Hall. All living former superiors/directors were present for a social-supper in their honor.

Going back to the forties Brother Jacob Eppley was the first of those present to hold the leadership position. Brothers Lawrence Miller, Jude Costello,

Bernard Donahoe, Thomas Balaz and Paul Kelly were the others present. Two who served during that time, Brothers Gerard Fitz and Brother Andrew Sukenik are now deceased.

Brother James Reddy, presently director, along with the forty Brother residents hosted the event. Brother Vitus, presently the eldest member of the house presented a toast recalling his years there. Brother Ramon and Martinus, presently residents at Columba were there through the terms of all those honored.

Pictured below: The Columba Hall All Star Team, 1987



(l to r) Brothers Thomas, Jude, James, Bernard, Paul, Jacob and Lawrence.

Brothers Speak

BROTHER BERNARD MOSIER submits the following resume of his present apostolate at the Diocesan Lodge, Spartansburg, Pennsylvania.

Father James Peterson, a diocesan priest whom Brother Bernard Mosier is assisting in his work, has five houses where he takes in troubled men — alcoholics, drug addicts, and ex-convicts — and he tries to help them rehabilitate themselves. The house at the Lodge is the only one with a well-organized program lasting three months, though some of the men stay longer. Besides Nazareth House, where the troubled men stay, Father has also another house on the Lodge grounds named St. Joseph House which he calls a support house. Brother Bernard is in charge of the four men who reside here with him and who live a semi-religious life including daily Mass, Office, and recitation of the Rosary in common. By their prayers, good works, and good example these men help Father Peterson in his various activities in behalf of troubled men.

Nazareth House and St. Joseph House are situated on a tract of mostly cleared land with an area of fifty acres. The acres are surrounded on four sides by beautiful Pennsylvania woods. On the grounds are two fair-sized ponds, and white-tailed deer abound in the neighboring woods. About one hundred yards from the grounds runs a well-stocked trout stream.

St. Joseph House heats with a wood furnace and keeping the furnace going during the severe

winter months is quite a formidable task as the furnace must be stoked about eight times in the course of twenty-four hours.

By his talks and his friendship with many diocesan priests Brother Bernard is helping make Holy Cross better known in the Erie Diocese where there is only one other Holy Cross man, Father Edward Crouse.

BROTHER WILLIAM MEWES offers the following reflection:

The thought has occurred to me that we live with our fellow Brothers, sometimes for years, and yet it is often only at the wake and funeral that we find out the deeper meaning of their lives and how much they have affected various people and how great an example they have given and lived for others. While reading the obituaries in the October *Holy Cross Brothers*, it occurred to me that we live among giants, not giants on the international political scene, but great men on the local level, great men in other people's lives. The sad thing is not their death, but that it often takes their death before we realize their greatness.

BROTHER THOMAS MADDIX recommends these "three excellent books" on religious life: "New Wineskins: Re-Imagining Religious Life Today," by Sandra Schneiders, I.H.M.; "Poets, Prophets & Pragmatists: A New Challenge to Religious Life" by Evelyn Woodward; and "Life As Parable: Reinterpreting the Religious Life," by John M. Lorenzo. (Note a review of two of these books in this issue.)

Rhinestone Christmas

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No one seemed to know what he meant. His son Jack said, "Why, Dad, we thought he was yours."

"Mine? I didn't buy another poodle. The doors have been opened so often today I assumed the dog just wandered in, or that he belonged to one of the kids." Gramps opened the dog's gift and found a rhinestone dog collar. This brought out his deep chuckle. "This smacks of Aunt Carrie, I'll be bound. Carrie and her jewels."

He whistled the dog over and put the collar on him.

"Well, I guess he's mine now. What shall we call him?"

Jimmy spoke up immediately: "Gramps, the dog's name is Fluff. Call him that and you'll see." Gramps did, saw, and was delighted.

All left for home, family by family. Anne and her family were the last to leave. There was a gleam, a special sparkle, in Anne's eyes, partly tears, partly delight, partly relief. The thirty-thousand-dollars worth of outstanding bills due could not be easily met.

Gramps said to Anne, "Look at the tyke, curled up asleep near the Christmas manger near the Baby. I'm sure there must have been a dog in that first manger back then to guard the Child. I guess he's returned. I'll keep him."

Anne thought, You'd better, Buster. For this is no rhinestone dog collar at all. That is in the other package! This is Aunt Carrie's thirty-thousand-dollar diamond choke necklace.

Brother Remigius Bullinger, C.S.C.

Hoban: November 7, 1987

"One thing is certain — this bird is a soaring bird, it does not spend time in the dust. And soaring birds are still birds, the currents of air slowly raise them to new heights, quietly, effortlessly accepting the gentle nurturing of the rising, warm air carrying them to the summit of heaven.

"As we look at this bird we shall be mindful of the generosity of all who have made this project possible. But if we are still, perhaps our hearts and minds will be carried away for a moment, uplifted as the soarer, away from our being, away from the dust, inspired to becoming not masters of information but wise possessors of the Word."

This was part of the message repeated by Brother Richard Gilman, President/Principal at the dedication of the Instructional Media Center at Archbishop Hoban High School, Akron, Ohio.

The background to the speaker's podium was the "Dove of Peace" cast aluminum sculpture designed by a renowned Akron artist, Don Drumm. The former library, adjacent class room and study center have been given a face lifting at an approximate cost of \$200,000. This investment represents

the greatest capital investment in the thirty-four year history of Hoban with the challenge to maintain and improve the quality of education offered there.

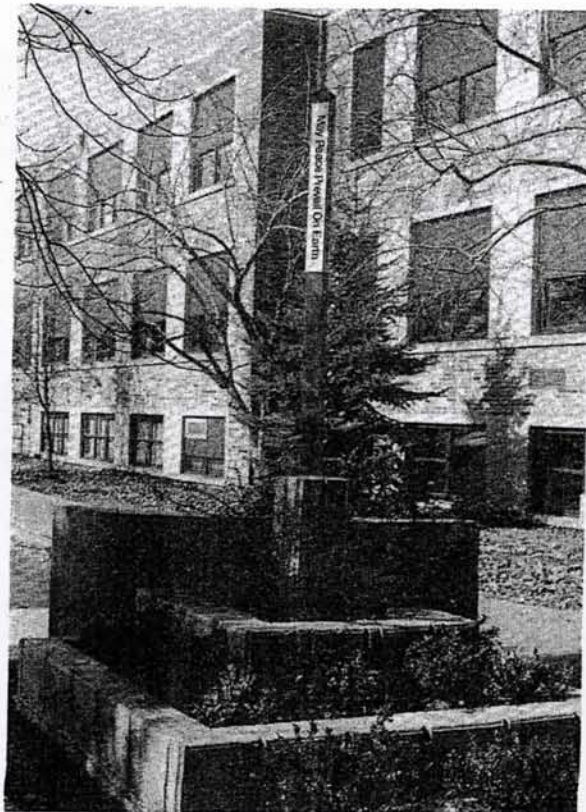
New carpeting, air conditioning, furniture and shelving — some new and all completely refinished along with educational materials including a satellite dish, recording equipment, as well as computers and typewriters account for part of the investment. It has a new look as a facility with varied learning experiences for students as the goal.

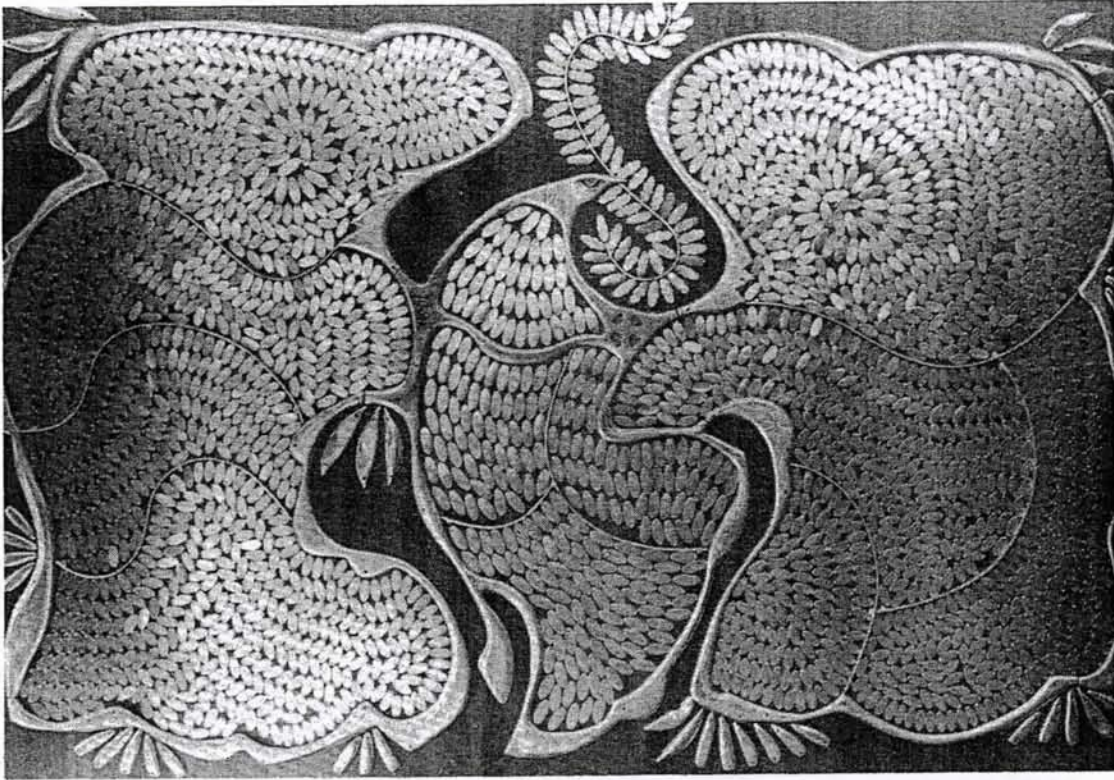
November 7 was also the day for the awarding of the Friends of Hoban and Distinguished Alumni Awards.

This year's nominees for the Friends' award were Gene and Howard Considine and Sally and Howard Prease. Brother Robert Siegel read the presentation for the Considines and Brother Richard Gilman introduced the Preases. Earlier recipients included Brothers Richard Foley and Leonardo Bebetu and Father Joseph Barry, (IP), now deceased. Of interest, the award dinner and ceremony took place in the (Brother Richard) Foley Commons.

This year's Alumni Awards were presented to Dennis L. Testa, '64 and Dennis J. Griffith, '72.

"May peace prevail on earth," is the message inscribed on the peace pole shown in the picture, from the campus of Hoban High School. In English, French and Spanish, the three languages taught at the school, the message is displayed on the four sided obelisk. The project originated in Japan where 60,000 of these poles have been erected. Today they are displayed in many other foreign countries as an international peace project.





"The dove memorializes the faithful supporters who have inspired us to soar in the summit of heaven." This inscription is found on the sculptured aluminum, **DOVE OF PEACE**, mounted on the wall of the IMC. This commissioned piece was executed by Akron artist, Don Drumm.

(l to r) Brother Robert Siegel; Brother Richard Gilman; newly awarded **FRIENDS OF HOBAN**, Gene and Howard Considine; Mr. Richard Kolay, Alumni President.





Brother Richard Gilman holds the sculptured aluminum **CROSS OF HOPE**; left — Brother Robert Siegel; right — Brother James Spooner, Associate Principal.

Mrs. Meron Kurylo who designed, fashioned and donated the stained glass panels which frame the entrance to the IMC, along with Brother Richard Gilman.



News From Holy Cross In Nepal

Brother John Harris, an Asian mission veteran of over 30 years, writes from the Himalayan Kingdom of Nepal where he teaches at St. Xavier's School in Kathmandu, the capital city. John takes advantage of the annual autumn vacation to go trekking in the sub-Himalayas with fellow teachers and/or students. In 1981, he trekked up to 14,000 ft. while on the Everest Base Camp Trek, a popular route with ordinary outdoorsmen. A trek and an ex-

pedition both include plenty of walking, but the latter involves proper mountaineering, expensive equipment, porters, Sherpa guides and extraordinary heroism! Trekking mainly requires common sense, he adds.

Here is an interesting account of last autumn's trek to a picturesque tribal village called Gandrung, nestled on a high ridge facing the awesome Himalayan giants of Annapurna Massif and Machapuchare.

Gandrung Revisited

In October of 1976, four staff members of St. Xavier's School, Kathmandu, headed off for a remote and picturesque village in Kaski District, a few days' journey north of Pokhara called Gandrung. The veteran trekkers were Mr. Binod Shrestha, Father James Chambers, Father Thomas Ooki and Brother John Harris who lugged along biscuits, granola and water because no food was expected along the long and lonely stretches of the trail. Following the Modi Khola (river) from Chandrikot, views of the towering and impressive Machapuchare and Annapurna South Massif became visible as the group approached the Gurung settlement of Gandrung nestled high on a ridge route to the fabulous Sanctuary northwards. Two small lodges were available and we explored the town after selecting a place to stay for the night. It was a memorable trip with fantastic views, simple food and good companionship.

Ten years later, in October of 1986, it was time to return to Gandrung and once again absorb the saintly silence of that section of the Himalayas. Two St. Xavier's students, Sanjay Tamang and Bibek Chapagain and I had our seven-day outing commence from Lakeside in Pokhara with ideal weather, a good breakfast under our belts and zest for the adventure ahead. Two Canadians joined us for direction and companionship as we passed the hydroelectric dam and viewed the Pokhara Boarding School from a distance. The Tibetan Village distracted us from the hum-drum trail pacing through small villages and soon we entered an open valley to Suikhet, then up a 3,000 ft. ascent to Naudanga where we relaxed at a friendly lodge for the night. Sanjay and Bibek explored a lookout point and later we all enjoyed the sunset and a sky-view of Phewa Tal miles below, the shoreline aglow with twinkling lights.

Our second day followed a high ridge route with a brief visit to the British Gorkha Agricultural Farm and a lunch break at Chadrikot before a sharp descent to Birithanthi over 2,500 ft. below located at a confluence of two rivers. After selecting an excellent Thakali lodge, we made a bee-line for the favorite swimming area where we both bathed and washed our clothes.

Birithanthi at night was aglow with lanterns and we delayed retiring to enjoy the magical effect: the laughter of relaxed tourists eating and conversing with the rushing sound of the Modi Khola adding a charm to this junction of two trekking routes. The place is still unspoiled and better than ever in both table fare and accommodation.

Day Three saw us off bright and early with well over 3,500 ft. to ascend before arrival at our goal. We passed two dramatic waterfalls, much the same as in 1976, but the once solitary route had frequent trekkers moving in both directions and delightful tea-stalls with smiling Gurung mountain folk lured thirsty travellers like ourselves for refreshments. Striking and remarkable views of Machapuchare compelled us to get the camera in action and we posed several times with that imposing Himalayan backdrop. The valley vistas were often breathless and cooling our heels at a sandy river beach was not only fun but gave us relaxation and time to adequately appreciate our surroundings. Bibek, ever playful, splashed about in the glacial water and Sanjay followed his cue with equal friskiness. I marvelled at their youthful energy and endurance and pretended to enjoy the frigid water.

Ever eager to reach our destination, the boys zoomed ahead and located an ideal lodge from among at least a dozen now in Gandrung, a town greatly enlarged over the last decade. We thoroughly enjoyed the snow-capped giants facing our lodge and we sipped hot, lemon-tea as the setting sun transformed the dazzling snow to a delicate rose color and then to captivating hues of red, misty grey and then bright white again.

Since the following day was to be a rest day with a late breakfast, our Canadian friends played cards with Sanjay and Bibek and found our lads to be quite expert and competitive. The initial homesickness of Day One vanished soon enough and the boys suggested staying in Gandrung for at least a week! After a simple but hearty meal, we all retired in a good mood and snored our way into Day Four — another clear, sunny day in an idyllic setting.

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Autumn At Dujarie House

One of the fall highlights was a Halloween costume party on the evening of October 30. Six or seven of the staff came in costume and **BROTHER CARROLL POSEY** came from LeMans Academy — as a uniformed-cadet. Prizes for original and for humorous costumes were awarded to Elaine Stodolny and Shirley Buczkowski, respectively. **BROTHERS JACOB EPPLEY (SW)** and **STEPHEN TITZER (SW)** were the judges. Richard Snyder, our head cook, was awarded a special cup as "Employee of the Year." **BROTHER JUST** captured the festivities on his trusty "disc camera."

Holy visitors for All Saints' Day Mass and brunch were Providence Sisters Marian, Gertrude, and Dorothy from Indianapolis, along with Sister Siobhan Kissane, C.S.C., from St. Joseph's High School.

Mr. John Fogarty also concluded a week's visit with **BROTHER AUGUST SOSA (EB)** on All Saints' Day. John is a California State Trooper, a graduate of our school in Long Beach, and comes each year to visit the Brothers at St. Joe Farm as well as to see August who was one of his teachers.

While **BROTHER PEDRO** was in California for a vacation, he attended a picnic supper gathering of CSC religious in the Bay Area. The activity was held at St. Clement's Rectory in Hayward, following Mass. Pedro was also able to visit the mother and sister of **BROTHER DAVID DEQUIR** in Sacramento. (David died at Dujarie in late June.)

BROTHER JUST'S brother, Bud Paczesny, is expected to be released soon from St. Joseph's Medical Center. He has been recovering from a serious stroke late in August.

Ray and Mable Machalinski visited **BROTHER THEOPLILUS MACHALINSKI** in October, just before Theo's 96th birthday.

The first meeting of the Board of Directors for Dujarie House was held on September 25. Officially, the three U.S. Brother Provincials comprise the Board — but their appointees constitute the "working Board." These are **BROTHERS DON GIBBS**, chairman, **RICHARD KINIRY, (EB)**, vice-chairman and **JAMES KELL, (SW)**. Up to three more persons may be added to the working Board. Pedro, as director of Dujarie House is the executive and recording secretary.

BROTHER FINTAN KINDILIEN died in the early morning hours on October 6. He was the sixth Dujarie Brother to die in this calendar year. (His obituary and eulogy were carried in last month's HCB publication.)

Mr. Glenn Rousey, Principal of St. Joseph's High School, celebrated his birthday dinner in the Dujarie Dining Room on November 2, anticipating his calendar date, the 7th of the month. Glenn's sister and brother-in-law, Sue and Leroy Jones, of Lawrenceville, Illinois, joined in the turkey dinner prepared by Chef Richard Snyder, which was capped by a specially decorated banana cake.

Prayer Intentions

Charles Quigley, deceased; brother of Brother John
Father James Schultz, CSC, deceased
Mrs. James Shaw, deceased; sister of Brother Giles
Martin
Brother Willaim Paszek, CSC, deceased
Deceased parents of Father William Beauchamp, CSC
Father Charles McCarragher, CSC, deceased
Father Clement Cormier, CSC, deceased
Brother Elias Ryan, CSC, ill health
Sister Ehrentrude Czyzewski, CSC, deceased
Sister Helen Rose Mulligan, CSC, deceased

Sister Martha Kelly, CSC, deceased
Sister Edward Marie Cahill, CSC, deceased
Alois Ellison, deceased; brother of Brother Flavius
Mrs. Marie Kuchenmeister, deceased; mother of
Brother Donald
Mrs. Colette Fischenik, deceased; mother of Brother
Richard
Sister Margaret Anne, CSC, deceased
Sister Anatholie, CSC, deceased
Sister Helen Francis, CSC, deceased
Deceased father of Barbara Brown, Dujarie House staff

Reading: Reviewing

Evelyn Woodward, *Poets, Prophets and Pragmatists: A New Challenge to Religious Life* (Notre Dame, IN: Ave Maria Press, 1987), pp. 248, Paperback, \$6.95.

"Religious life is a ship afloat on an ocean of time whose tides are now governed by the swell of pluralism." So begins the series of reflections on contemporary religious life by Evelyn Woodward, an Australian religious who has extensive experience as a counselor in her native country, as a consultant in Great Britain, and as a lecturer in the United States. She maintains that "navigation calls for special gifts": "the vision of the poet who is grounded in contemplation, one who is deeply touched by the original vision of the founder and can envision its extension into the future." Prophets are those who grasp the poet's vision, can challenge their fellows, are "aware of the immanent God", and issue a call for action. Pragmatists are "gifted with the practical planning capacity to translate into organized action the vision of the poet and the challenge of the prophet."

Focusing on community, Woodward employs the notion of story: our personal story, both mundane and sacred, united with the personal story of others. She emphasizes that community is a process, not a thing, not just a group of persons, but the fiery vision that unites them in a quality of bondedness. Readers who in recent years have seriously attempted to participate in the process of community development in their own institutes and in workshops, may recognize much that is familiar in this portion of the book. But these reflections are

made alive by excellent examples from the author's personal experience and her professional work with religious groups on three continents.

Woodward deals well with conflict, "the tangle of our stories"; formation, "the shaping and blending of our stories"; coping with stress and burnout, "the experience of the overloaded story." A particular practical value of this book is a list of excellent questions for both individual and community reflection at the end of each section.

A most striking chapter is entitled "A Spirituality Named Empathy", a reflection on the link between an authentic spiritual life and everyday relationships. Woodward describes empathy not as a "warm fuzzy" and a low-level helping skill, but a spirituality which enables us "to feel into". She cites the model of the Incarnation, Jesus entering into the human condition and sharing all that the human is heir to. She expands this notion with reflections on compassion, "to suffer with"; care, "reaching out"; and hospitality, "friendship without binding the guest and freedom without leaving him alone."

Evelyn Woodward's book is an excellent meditation on translating the rhetoric about religious life into an authentic human experience.

BROTHER FRANCIS ENGLERT, C.S.C.

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Gandrung Revisited

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We lazed about on our break day and the boys set about exploring the locale, the school and the town itself, perched on a 45 degree angle in many places, high above the silver ribbon of the Modi Khola draining from the glaciers clearly in view to the north of Gandrung. The dozens of trekkers visible in the area, some in rather large camping parties, told me that Gandrung was no longer all that remote and that catering to their needs had obviously changed the formerly sleepy village into a bustling centre of activity. New shops were in evidence, a proper post office and a check post for trekkers were also additions over the last decade. Above all, the excellent accommodation and very delicious food at our lodge was a far cry from the simplicity we encountered in 1976.

Like the English poet, Wordsworth, I isolated myself for a spell and enjoyed "a spot of time" contemplating what Gandrung would be like in the year 2000 A.D. and imaged a roadway with cars, buses and a petrol pump with electric lights in every habitation. Then I was glad that Gandrung hadn't changed that much yet and that it was still a picturesque spot that the world was yet to discover as the nearby Annapurna Sanctuary became better known and popularized. My advice to you is to see Gandrung before the tourists come! I'm sure they will.

Brother John L. Harris, C.S.C.



Above: Saint Patrick; Monrovia, Liberia

December, 1962 — First Faculty: (l to r) Brothers Austin Maley, Chester Rachel, Father Bernard Malahy, C.S.C., (IP) (Retreat master — now deceased), Brothers Theophane Schmitt, Donald Allen.

Below: Reunion Of Four Generations:

(l to r) Brother Edwin Mattingly taught Brother James Everett when he was a student; James was a counselor for Brother Roy Smith when he was a student; and Roy was a teacher of Brother Chester Friel.



Identify:

Currently a member of the Midwest Province: Who is this Brother? Send your identification to the Editor; HCB — Columba Hall; Notre Dame, IN, 46556. Deadline for entries — December 19 postmark. The winner will be determined by a drawing from the correct entries. Winner — dinner!



Between The Lines by Brother Lawrence Miller, C.S.C.

***New Wineskins* "Re-imagining Religious Life Today" by Sandra M. Schneiders, I.H.M., Paulist Press, 997 Macarthur Boulevard, Mahwah, N.J. 07430, \$10.95.**

Shortly after moving into the Brothers' Center, I took a walk to St. Mary's College campus to see the new library. My first attraction inside the building was an exhibit with the sign: "Center for Spirituality." In smaller print the sign continued: "The Center will not be a specific place on campus. The entire college will become a Center for Spirituality, a place of hospitality for those seeking meaning and spiritual context for their lives." This is impressive, I thought, and asked the librarian for paper and pencil to write it down. Since then I learned that the Center sponsors the Madeleva Lectures.

The Madeleva Lecture series annually commemorates the opening of the Center for Spirituality at Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Indiana, and honors the memory of the woman who inaugurated the college's pioneering program in theology, Sister Madeleva, C.S.C.

Sandra M. Schneiders, I.H.M., gave the Madeleva lecture for the year 1986. It was the second annual Madeleva lecture and can be purchased for \$3.00 from the Paulist Press under the title *Women and the Word*. This, briefly, was my introduction to Sandra Schneiders before learning about *New Wineskins*.

To read this book carefully and meaningfully is to praise God and "purify the mind."

An in-depth appreciation of this book requires some knowledge of the documents of Vatican II, especially *Lumen Gentium* and *Perfectae Caritatis*, and Canon Law, the section: "Institutes of Consecrated Life." However, the above is not intended to be a deterrent to reading this book.

Where to begin? Chapter Eight, "Religious Obedience: Journey from Law to Love" is clearly the best chapter in the book. I admit being prejudiced because on page 153 is a reference to the Sister Formation Movement in the 1950's, and this movement's *Bulletins* provided a rich source of information for our Second Novitiate Program that was started in 1957.

A recent issue of Human Development announced *New Wineskins* as the Book-of-the-Year. The announcement states that "Since Vatican II the changes in the ways religious persons work, pray, reside, dress and play have puzzled and confused not only many among the Catholic laity and non-Catholics but even a great number of the older members of religious communities. Especially nebulous has been the evolution in the meaning of the traditional vows of obedience, poverty and celibacy."

In *New Wineskins*, Dr. Schneiders presents "an analysis of permanent commitment, an updating of the theology of religious vows, an examination of the role of friendship and love in the lives of consecrated celibates, an exploration of the changing nature and function of community life, and a clarification of how obedient persons can assume the stance of dissent."

Personally, I find this book helpful in bringing together into some kind of unity all the various religious experiences we have had during the past twenty-five years.

"Few areas of contemporary religious life," writes Dr. Schneiders, "have proven as conflictual for religious both as communities and as individuals as that of obedience. While it is undoubtedly true that obedience has never been easy, it is probably correct to say that, for most religious prior to Vatican II, it was relatively simple. Obedience meant willing compliance with the commands of superiors and the prescriptions of the rule and/or constitutions."

My impression is that obedience is practiced to a better degree now than before Vatican II. My basis for this statement is that we listen more to each other. The word obedience comes from *audire* which means "to listen." Not only can this "listening" be discerned in informal gatherings but very clearly in formal gatherings. The 1985 Provincial Chapter was an experience of listening to each other. At the recent 1987 Province Gathering in July, we were delighted to see our brother. In such gatherings the Lord is present. "The real object of the vow of obedience has always been understood to be the fullest possible union of the religious with the will of God."

Newsy-Bits-Of-News

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Thomas presently is a full-time student in the Doctor of Ministry Program at the Pacific School of Religion which is a part of the Graduate Theological Union. He is concentrating on integrating organizational ethics and spirituality.

Much credit goes to **BROTHER WILLIAM GATES** for the new formation program inaugurated in Cape Coast, Ghana. The men, **BROTHERS DANIEL DARDOE, JOHN AIKINS, ANTHONY DADZIE, MICHAEL QUAIDOO-BLAY, SYLVESTER QUAYE, and JAMES SANGE-DONKOR**, spend an equal number of days in class and in an apostolic experience. Classes include instruction in basic Christianity, liturgy and courses in Christian ethics and an introduction to Scripture. The latter two are taught by **BROTHER WILLIAM MEWES**. A Great Commandment course is taught by William Gates.

Two members of the Southwest province, **BROTHERS CHRISTIAN and DUNSTAN** were with the U.S. Task Force recently present in the Persian Gulf. Both of them were instructors with the U.S. Military Services. Christian was aboard the U.S.S. Constellation and Dunstan the U.S.S. WADDELL. Although Dunstan did not intend to renew his contract apparently Christian is still afloat.

BROTHER EDWARD SNIATECKI (EB) who is now in residence at St. Joseph Center, Valatie, New York, continues to be active with daily walks and excursions in that beautiful country-side.

Ohio, a monthly magazine, gave St. Edward High School good coverage in an article by Bob McKay, "Dynasty." The six-page article in the November issue highlighted the ten consecutive state wrestling titles and coach, Howard Ferguson.

Columba Hall was again the pictorial cover of a prominent publication. Last month they were featured on page one of HCB (that's us) and on November 6 they were prominently pictured on the cover of *Today's Catholic* with the title, "Change of Seasons on Campus — Leaves of Columba Hall." The picture showed two of our men, **BROTHERS JAMES REDDY and GEORGE STEFANIK**, raking and burning the current leaf crop.

"Your favorite musical selections," was the title of the program of the Gaska String Quartet. Their performance was given for the residents of Columba Hall and area guests. The dining room provided the stage setting for this musical treat of November 23, just one day after the feast of patronal music, Saint Cecelia.

In his weekly News & Notes column, Bishop John M. D'Arcy recalled his presence at the liturgical installation of Father Jim Blume at Saint Hyacinth's Parish, Fort Wayne.

Presently in residence at Columba Hall, **BROTHER JEROME SCHWABE**, is recovering from his recent illness. During December he will be going to Germany to act as a Portuguese/English translator for the General Chapter of the Brothers of the Poor of St. Francis.

BROTHER JAMES GRETEMAN works as a clinical marriage and family therapist for Catholic Charities, Salina, Kansas. He writes a column, "Family Talk," for *The Northwestern Kansas Register*, their local Catholic paper.

BROTHER JOSEPH BARRY writes from Moreau House, Austin, Texas, about the busy activity of the Candidate House. Their schedule involves classes and community life including volunteer apostolic service. **BROTHER JAMES KELL (SW)** has administered the Myers-Briggs typology and used the results for their October retreat day. The program was helpful in giving the members an understanding of themselves and others with whom they live: a better idea of their P's and J's.

Columba Hall visitors for the Boston College Football weekend included Father Glenn F. Latterell (formerly **BROTHER ARMEL**) and **BROTHER MAURUS O'MALLEY, (EB)**. Glenn is now pastor of Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary in Dante, South Dakota. Another familiar name, Father Dominic Petrucci is stationed in Aberdeen, South Dakota.

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