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FROM BANGLADESH: Br. Donald Becker wrote recently: "Br. Gerald Kraeger returned here on August 23. Br. Patrick Ruram, who has been having a difficult time recovering from an operation last December, seems to be doing better. Brs. Solomon and Francis completed intermediate college and are preparing to enter Dacca University. Bangladesh is now having one of the worst floods in its history. Floods during the monsoon season are part of the people's life, but they usually come gradually, allowing the rice crop to grow up along with the deepening water. But this year the rise of the water was so sudden that much of the rice crop all over the country has been lost. Millions of people have been driven from their homes by high waters and lack of food. None of our schools have been seriously hurt by the floods although it is in some of our buildings such as at Bandura and in our compound here at the trade school, but we are fairly used to this. The worst effect will probably come at harvest time when the food supply runs short everywhere. A famine would be horrible. Some aid is now coming in, but the crisis will come later. We can surely stand the prayers of the community."

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On August 28 a reception was held for our newly elected superior general, Father Thomas Barrosse, at the Brothers Center. Following the liturgy at which Father was the principal celebrant and at which he addressed the community, a social was held in his honor.

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At its meeting on August 23 the provincial council, acting on the liberty granted by the revised Statutes, agreed to approve requests from those local communities who wished to have all their members constitute the house council.

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All who participated in the workshop on community life held for superiors and provincial councilors at the Brothers Center on August 21-24 were most encouraged by the results. Conference by Fr. Bill Simmons, small and large group discussions, prayer and reflection helped make the workshop a real success. Several remarked that the workshop was perhaps the most open, positive, and depth-reaching one the superiors have had thus far.

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Br. Michael Flanagan's request for a year of exclaustation was approved. His residence address is: 171 Chalet Village, Louisville, Kentucky 40216. Tel: (502) 448-1098

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FROM LE MANS ACADEMY: Brothers from the Academy and the House of Prayer, along with some close friends, gathered for a farewell dinner for Br. James Newberry, leaving the post of headmaster. \*\* The province committee on Personal Growth sponsored a CSC community weekend at the Academy August 2 to 4. About sixty religious gathered for prayer, fun, and community spirit. A highpoint was a softball game in which the "old timers" beat the "youngsters" 36 to 5. Many commented on how much they enjoyed the weekend and how they left with a grand sense of and appreciation for the Holy Cross community. \*\* Br. Edwin Mattingly was host at Le Mans for the Indiana Falconers Association annual picnic. About sixty falconers attended, including Indiana fish and game officials.

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FROM CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, Monroe, Michigan: Br. James Rottenbacher returned from a three-week band directors institute in Feldkirk, Austria. Two of his senior music students also made the trip. He acquired many slides, stories and memories of his pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Andeck. \*\* Again this year Br. Richard Grejczyk completed class schedules early in the summer. \*\* Lending a hand at St. Mary's Church food booth at the Monroe County Fair early in August was Br. Walter Davenport who called out the orders, Br. Philip Smith who fired the hamburgers and hot dogs, Br. James Rottenbuch who tended the frenchfries, and Br. James Spooner who completed the orders. \*\* The small truck garden at the brothers' house continues to flourish. It has lots of potatoes and onions, and some produce has already been canned or frozen. The garden has been the talk of Monroe, said one Brother, and is widely imitated. \*\* On the feast of the Assumption the Brothers entertained the pastor of St. Mary's Church and the sisters from the grade school at a dinner party.

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SUMMER GRADUATES: Br. Thomas Maddix, M.A. in English from Notre Dame; Br. Louis Mangini, M.S.A. from Notre Dame. Congratulations!

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PERSONNEL CHANGES:

Br. Leon Gnewuch: Holy Trinity High School, Chicago.  
Br. John Benesh: rector of Alumni Hall, Notre Dame.  
Br. Richard Johnson: Holy Trinity High School, Chicago.  
Br. Robert Siegel: in residence at St. Joseph High School, South Bend.  
Br. Lawrence Stewart: " " "  
Br. Aubrey McNeil: " " "  
Br. John Tryon: " " "  
Br. Cletus Hammer: work and reside at Sarto Development Center, 4200 N. Kentucky Ave.,  
Evansville, IN 47711. Tel. (812) 424-1039 or 423-1108.  
Br. Richard Gilman: Hoban High School, Akron.  
Br. Francis Rotsaert: residence with the Cypress Community, South Bend.  
Br. Donatus Schmitz: reside at the Brothers Center, study at Notre Dame.  
Br. Omer Bielawski: reside at Columba Hall.  
Br. Thomas Golden: work and reside at Le Mans Academy, Rolling Prairie.  
Br. Jack Richeson: working at Higbee's in Cleveland, reside at Hoban High School, Akron.  
Br. George Kollar: work at Alvernia High School, Chicago, continue residence with  
the Kedzie Community.  
Br. William Easton: work at St. Patrick High School, Chicago, continue residence  
with the Kedzie Community.  
Br. Augustus Patin: in residence at the Brothers Center.  
Br. Timothy O'Connell: work at Boca Raton Community Hospital, 800 Meadows Road,  
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villea Drive, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, FL 33308. Tel.: (305) 772-6981.  
Br. Stephen Withey: clerical work at Drake Hotel, Chicago.

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PRAYERS REQUESTED: Br. John May, who continues to be critically ill.  
Br. Bernard Platte's father, who died, and Br. Gregoire Bleau's mother,  
who died.

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William Schubmehl and Francis Heitzman signed dispensations from vows this past summer.

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SOME NEW ADDRESSES/PHONE NUMBERS

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Crawford Street Community  
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Terre Haute, IN 47807  
Tel: (812) 235-1160

(Includes, as part of the Gibault  
community, Brs. John Barrett,  
Charles Blavat, James Caley,  
Gerald Detamore)

Cypress Community  
17321 Darden Road  
South Bend, IN 46635  
Tel: (219) 272-3522

Lincoln Way House  
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South Bend, IN 46616  
Tel: (219) 282-2193

Br. William Geenen  
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P.O. Box 1795  
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