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The chapter planning committee held two sessions, January 27 and February 19, and has submitted a proposal to the delegates who will assemble at Notre Dame on March 17 for an organizational meeting. The group, consisting of Brs. Walter Davenport, Francis Englert, Pedro Haering, Robert Lavelle, Jeffrey Michels and Francis Rotsaert, has recommended that the goals originally established for the key province events held since 1977 be retained: 1) to achieve the fullest possible participation of province members; 2) to achieve an understanding that our efforts are developmental, ongoing and directional; 3) to give a Gospel focus and be prayerfully reflective.

The general plan calls for a province meeting to which all members are invited beginning on June 10. Events of the first week include a heritage day highlighting our history and benefits from the past, and a celebration honoring all the brothers who are observing anniversaries of profession this year. Three days designed by commissions from among chapter delegates will focus on these areas: mission and ministries, mutual support and affirmation, and spirituality. The first week will conclude with the election of the provincial. The first two days of the second week will be allotted to the three commissions for preparation and the remainder of the week to formal chapter sessions. More details will be published as planning proceeds.

Br. John McMuldren will not be able to attend the chapter as a delegate because of a conflict with a summer assignment and is replaced by Br. Richard Kearney, second alternate delegate. Br. Lawrence Miller, first alternate, also is unable to attend.

A number of province members have expressed interest in the number of ballots returned and the number of votes received in recent province elections.

In the straw vote for provincial, 277 ballots were received from 323 eligible voters (85%). Results of this ballot were sent to you along with the nominating ballot on January 31. As of February 20, 262 nominating ballots were returned. These will be retained at the provincial office until ballots from overseas arrive and then all will be forwarded to the superior general for tallying.

In the election of chapter delegates held in December, 278 ballots were returned and the elected delegates received the following number of votes: (*ex officio. **non-voting representative temporary professed. ***elected by district chapter in accord with statute 34)

Donald Allen 80	Joseph Chvala 134	John Driscoll 81
Philip Armstrong*	Thomas Corcoran 142	Christopher Dreyer**
Thomas Balaz 107	Robert Dailey**	Raymond Dufresne 106
John Benesh*	Walter Davenport 187	Francis Englert*
James Bluma 113		

James Everett 100
Robert Fillmore 165
Pedro Haering 143
Raymond Harrington 132
Eugene Hausmann 132
Daniel Kane 79
Kenneth Kane 82
Richard Kearney 75
Paul Kelly 134
George Klawitter 84
Gerald Kraeger*
Charles Krupp*
John Kuhn 82
Barry Lambour 128

John Lavelle 77
Robert Lavelle 120
Bruce Lescher 133
James Linscott 126
Thomas Maddix 129
John May 89
Joseph McTaggart 101
William Mewes 117
Jeffrey Michels 101
James Moroney 127
Thomas Moser 77
Isaac Jogues Motz 93
James Newberry 122

Just Paczesny 99
Raymond Papenfuss***
Carroll Posey 104
Douglas Roach*
Francis Rotsaert 127
Daniel Rozario***
Kieran Ryan 127
Jerome Schwabe 109
Lawrence Skitzki*
Robert Siegel 112
Roy Smith 164
Donald Stabrowski 107
William Verstraete 91

Declined election: Donald Bailer 152; Chester Caster 147; Columba Curran 89;
Bernard Donahoe 156; Albert Kern 85; John McMuldren 97;
Lawrence Miller 76.

Search committees at Holy Cross High School, River Grove, and Holy Trinity High School, Chicago, have submitted their recommendations to the provincial team and Br. Charles Krupp has appointed Br. Thomas Corcoran principal at Holy Cross succeeding Br. William Dygert, and Br. John Benesh principal of Holy Trinity succeeding Br. Terence Muehlenkamp. Both appointments are for three years and effective at the close of the current school year.

Br. Donald Gibbs, currently in the program of clinical and pastoral education at St. Joseph Hospital, South Bend, will join the pastoral care department of St. Joseph Hospital, Mishawaka, in June and will become director of the pastoral care team of sisters and priests there in October.

The January issue of Columbia magazine featured the ministry of Br. William Geenen at Senior Friendship Centers in Sarasota and Venice, Florida. The article, "Havens for the Aging," was written by Murray Powers, former managing editor of the Akron Beacon Journal.

Br. Donald Allen, St. Patrick's, Monrovia, reports that graduation exercises in December were held jointly with St. Teresa's School for Girls. Celebrant of a Mass on the occasion was Bishop Michael Francis. The CSC community was host during January for a number of meetings conducted at the school. Priests, religious and parish representatives held a five-day session of the Diocesan Pastoral Council. Thirty doctors and nurses had a meeting of the Christian Health Association of Liberia, and some American nurses conducted a week-long program in pediatrics and nutrition. And sixty participants attended workshop sessions led by a Holy Ghost missionary on socio-economic issues. Br. Thomas Dillman made a retreat with the religious from Cape Palmas diocese. Br. John Schuszler returned to Liberia from the United States following recovery from hepatitis which he contracted last summer.

Br. Pedro Haering is recuperating in Indianapolis after being hospitalized for kidney stones.

Br. Donald Morrison will take a position in the business office of St. Joseph Hospital, Port Charlotte, Florida, after he receives his associate degree in accounting at Indiana Vocational and Technical School, South Bend, in May.

Br. Robert Fillmore, River Grove, has been appointed to the twenty-two member Commission on Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

A new logo and design for a stained glass window for an Episcopal church in Monroe has been designed by Br. Celestis Mueller, who is also collaborating with a Catholic Central student on a series of drawings of the mysteries of the rosary, to be published in a booklet by the Dominicans in Nigeria, West Africa.

Students at Holy Cross High School, River Grove, collected over 60 baskets of food, hundreds of clothing items, and \$1,000 in cash--all of which was distributed to the needy in two area parishes over the Christmas holidays.

Br. Armand Amman, in the Spiritual Services Department of St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw, since October, has written about his experiences in his new work. He is one of three full time staff members who visit, counsel, and pray with patients and their families. He says, "I have never known deeper, constant joy in my work.... I feel that I have really hit the jackpot in starting out on another career."

Br. Columba Curran, who has been at Colegio Dom Amando, Santarem, Brazil, is returning to Colegio Notre Dame, Campinas, for a period of recuperation from amoebic dysentery.

Br. William Fuller, an instructor at Holy Cross Junior College and a student at Notre Dame, will be awarded his degree of doctor of philosophy in mathematical physics at Indiana University, Bloomington, in late February. His dissertation is entitled "A New Class of Rotator Models for Statistical Mechanics and a Generalization of Lieb's Theorem."

Directory correction: Br. Donald Bailer: Apartment 233.

Addenda to Holy Cross obituary list, 1979:
October 12, 1978 - Br. Silvan (Michael) Mellett
December 16, 1978 - Rev. James E. d'Autremont

REMINDER: Submit your response to the question "What does God want of Holy Cross at this time in the contemporary Church?" as requested by the Council of the Congregation to the provincial office by March 1.

RECOMMENDED READING: Christianity Rediscovered, by Vincent J. Donovan, Fides/Claretian Press, \$6.95. This is a book about missions written by a priest who spent seventeen years in Tanzania. He began his work by attempting to strip his approach of all the nonessential cultural accretions of Christianity in order to convey the heart of the Gospel. Most of us who operate in a different milieu may find his experiences, nevertheless, related to our own attempts to fulfill our apostolic mission.

The Inner Eye of Love, Mysticism and Religion, by William Johnston, Harper and Row, \$7.95. As the author says, "...Thousands of ordinary men and women, feeling called to a deepening life of meditation and prayer, turn their attention towards mystical experience. All in all, mysticism is in the air we breathe; and it promises to be even more in the air of the new age into which we are moving."