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# ALUMNI DAY ENJOYED BY MANY

About 475 alumni of St. Joseph's College attended Alumni Day which was held on September 11, 1987. Although the weather wasn't very cooperative, it was a great evening.

An organ recital was presented by Rev. Kevin Joyce, C'71, in the College Chapel preceding the liturgy. Bishop Pierre DuMain, R'51, was the main celebrant at Mass, and Sulpician Provincial, Rev. Gerald L. Brown, R'58, and Bishop John S. Cummins, R'47, were among the concelebrators. Rev. Thomas Lacey, R'37, a member of the 50th anniversary class, delivered an inspiring homily.

A social hour was held in the courtyard where alums were entertained by a talented musical group of seminarians under the direction of Igor Simonovis, a seminarian from the Diocese of Monterey.

Raffle prizes were won by Fr. Aloys Gruber, R'61, Bishop John S. Cummins, R'47, and James Sullivan, R'62. Some attractive vacation spots were auctioned and the high bidders will be off to Maui and Lake Tahoe.

After dinner "Irish Coffee" was served to alums in the Community Room, a welcome climax to the evening. Chairman, Michael Carter, R'62, and his classmates enjoyed a special gathering later in the evening.

Special guests for the evening included Rev. Albert C. Giaquinto, S. S., former rector (1963-69) of the College, Rev. John Olivier, S.S., former faculty member, and Rev. Gerald L. Brown, S. S., Sulpician Provincial.

Thanks to everyone for the wonderful response to the raffle, and a big "thank you" to alumni who attended.

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ALUMNI DAY, 1988, is scheduled for September 16, 1988. The Class of 1963 will celebrate their 25th anniversary, and the Class of 1938 will be honored on their 50th anniversary. ALUMNI BOARD OF GOVERNORS ELECTS OFFICERS

The Alumni Board of Governors met on September 23, 1987 and welcomed three newly elected members to the Board. They included James Gonzalez, C'72, Rev. Michael Mitchell, R'58, and James Norman, C'70.

New officers elected for the coming year are: Michael P. Carter, R'62, President, Hugh Donohoe, C'72, Vice-President, and Lawrence Percell, C'69, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Alumni Board voted to gift the College with \$8,000 and the student council with \$300.00 The gifts were presented by Mr. Michael Carter, Alumni President, to Fr. Coleman and the Student Council representatives, Daniel Briseno and Roger Tenorio. The presentation was held during the student's dinner on October 29, 1987.

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## FALL SEMESTER, 1987

St. Joseph's College opened in late August with 49 returning students and 19 new students from 17 dioceses and three orders: the Carmelites, Franciscans, and Maryknoll.

Orientation was held on August 31 and September 1. The usual Beach Day was enjoyed by faculty and students before classes started. On September 26, the students had a Day of Recollection.

"Hispanic Day" provided lots of colorful decorations and tasty food.

A Day of Recollection will be held on November 11, and Thanksgiving recess starts on Nov. 26. The Fall Semester ends on December 15 followed by final exams. Christmas recess begins on December 10 and the students return to start the Spring Semester on January 14, 1988.

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## FROM THE RECTOR

Fr. Gerald D. Coleman, S. S.

## ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE: A RENEWED MOMENT

On 8 October 1987, Father Gerald L. Brown, S. S., Sulpician Provincial, and Father Gerald D. Coleman, S. S., President-Rector of St. Joseph's College met with the



Bishops of the Province of San Francisco to discuss St. Joseph's College. Bishop DuMaine was the main presenter at this pivotal meeting.

Over one year ago, the Board of Trustees of the college established a sub-committee: The Committee of Con-

sultation. This committee was charged by the Board of Trustees to look carefully into all the various aspects relating to St. Joseph's College in order to ascertain clearly and specifically its viability and its future options. This committee was given a one year time span to complete its various studies. Often-times when need be, this committee called in experts in areas of competence that were not present to the committee members themselves.

The Committee of Consultation studied widely the various components that constitute St. Joseph's College. The numbers of students that have been coming to the college were carefully studie , along with an objective assessment of their academic capabilities and backgrounds.

In addition, the various programs of the college were studied, along with the faculty who are needed to adequately mount these programs, i.e., the B.A. Program, the ESL Program, the Pre-Theology Program, and the Older Student Program.

Another aspect of the study centered in on the various cost factors relating to the college. Careful analysis was had between the income and expense side of the economic ledger pertaining to the college. Coupled closely with this economic point was a professional study of the soundness and stability of the two buildings which comprise St. Joseph's College, i.e., the 1924 and the 1955 buildings.

A detailed study likewise ensued regarding various alternatives to the present model existing at St. Joseph's College. Examples of alternatives

would include administering a collegeseminary only for B.A. students (and not ESL students, pre-theology students or older students). This part of the study also looked carefully into the growing phenomenon of Houses of Formation across the country. Interestingly, it was demonstrated that the cost-factor in Houses of Formation is generally equivalent to the cost-factor of sending a student here to the college. Another alternative, of course, would simply be a decision to close the college and send college-level students to other college seminaries, e.g., St. John's in Camarillo or Mount Angel in Oregon.

These major components were analyzed systematically by the members of the Committee of Consultation and it was unanimously decided that the present construct, i.e., St. Joseph's College, is clearly viable and dependable. Recent affirmations clearly point to this conclusion, e.g., the WASC and Papal Visitations of the Fall of 1985; and the large percentage of graduates from the college who move on to theological studies and eventually to ordination to the priesthood. An interesting statistic in this regard is that seventy-seven percent of those students in the past ten years who have graduated from the college have been ordained to priesthood.

While the Committee of Consultation clearly affirmed the present status of the college, it is also acutely aware of the severe financial problems which the college faces. A fundamental difficulty in this regard is a rather small endowment, whose interest does not meet operating costs.

These major factors were presented to the Bishops of the Province of San Francisco on October 8th. The Bishops unanimously affirmed their support of St. Joseph's College and collectively agreed to endorse a strong vocational commitment to St. Joseph's College. In addition, the Bishops unanimously voted to support the college in a more substantial financial manner.

This support is coupled with that of the Sulpicians themselves, who have pledged to fund the salary of a full-time fund-raiser, whose major responsibilities will be to seek monies for the endowment. Needless to say, this decision of (cont'd. on page 3) The Province of Bishops of San Francisco is an extremely affirming one for the college and the viability of its future. It is of utmost importance, then, that all Alumni of the college know of this decision and continue your strong and vocal support for the college and its future.

Recently, the Sulpician Provincial Council announced my appointment to St. Patrick's Seminary as President/Rector effective on 1 July 1988. While I am very happy about this appointment, I am extremely saddened to once again be leaving St. Joseph's College. It gives me great peace of mind knowing that I leave at a moment in the history of the college when the local Bishops have so strongly affirmed their endorsement of St. Joseph's. This endorsement now gives the Sulpician Provincial Council an excellent framework in which to search for the next President/Rector of St. Joseph's College.

I am happy to have had this opportunity of communicating this pivotal decision about the college to our Alumni.

Our future is stable, then; and this stability will continue to build on the very rich and dependable history that has marked six decades of priestly formation on the pre-theology level.

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# FATHER JOHN DWYER

## Donald C. Carroll, R'58

We have had a lot of alums go home to God, but the triumphant return home of Msgr. John Dwyer, R'36, in September deserves comment in a journal like this.

"Father" John Dwyer (he insisted on that appellation, rather than "John," not out of pomposity but as a sign of what he wanted to be to God's people) was a historian. That means he was a collector and keeper. Among the things he kept were a large number of back issues of THE BLOW, the earliest student newspaper of St. Joe's, from the time Fr. Dwyer was a student here. He recently gave many issues to the Alumni Association. We will keep them and perhaps run some excerpts in future issues. Father Dwyer was much more, however, than a historian of this college.

Father Dwyer was one of those priests who took an active interest in finding and sending young men to the seminary, and he was a great supporter of this Alumni Association.

I first met Fr. Dwyer when I worked summers at St. Mary's Hospital where he was the Chaplain. Father had already sent several boys to St. Joe's and adopted all of us who worked there. He made it a point to come down to Mountain View regularly. Father John would walk into your room for an unannounced visit; on vacations he would invite himself to dinner at your home.

When I left St. Pat's, I did not consult him. He was very hurt. There were many who left in the years after that, seminarians and priests whom Father Dwyer adopted. His pain level must have been high. I remember his tears and how he could not find his voice a couple of years ago in talking to me at the funeral mass for Bob Gemmett, my classmate and good friend, and a "boy" Father had sent to the college over 20 years before. It is to be noted that Fr. Dwyer was there.

When we started this Alumni Association a few years ago, I wondered what his reaction would be. I didn't have to wait long to find out. He came to the first Alumni Day and, I believe, to each one thereafter.

He understood all of the reasons for the Alumni Association, and he fully approved of us inviting wives. He approved of bringing Bishops and priests back to the seminary. He approved, most of all, our efforts to rally interest and support for the seminary. Not all of that was natural or easy for him. He did it through his pain.

This was one priest who came through the 60's and 70's and never lost his faith in this college seminary, the Sulpicians or any of us, his "boys." He preferred hope to cynicism. That, no doubt, was because Fr. Dwyer had a deeper faith in the Spirit "who breathes where He wills." I wonder if the spirit is calling John Dwyer "Father."

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## Michael P. Carter

The Alumni Association was formed a number of years ago with four primary purposes. I would like to take this opportunity to show just how the Alumni is accomplishing these goals. With some extra effort on our part, we can further enhance the College by our involvement in the Association.

Alumni Day, once again, exemplified this. In excess of 450 people celebrated this year's event, which commenced with Mass. Afterwards all attendees went to the courtvard for an "attitude adjustment period" and dinner! With a chill in the air, the Irish Coffees served after dinner were well received. Although the time is brief, it is during this period that the fraternal camaraderie is shared and relived. The stories, possibly hyperbolated over the vears, have become and remain a very integral part of our lives. The stories remembered and the good times had on Alumni Day are fun, but nothing is as meaningful as the fraternal bond created during our years at "St. Joes."

Digressing for a moment, I would be remiss if I did not mention and thank the people who made Alumni Day possible. First and foremost, Virginia Sullivan - the day was a success for all of us because of Ginny; Paul Minnihan, a senior at the College, who headed up the student committees; the seminarians who rendered invaluable assistance; and Jack Keegan and his group who took viable charge of the social hour.

The remaining two purposes of the Alumni are: to advance the cause of seminary education and to foster and support vocations to the priesthood. I am not able to give specific examples of the above items because so much is dependent on our intangible efforts in our daily lives. As you will read in Fr. Coleman's article, the importance of the seminary and its purpose has been unanimously affirmed by the Bishops.

Also, it is worth repeating that 77% of the students in the last ten years who have graduated from the College have gone on to theological studies. With this phenomenal success-rate, we must actively advance the cause of seminary education and foster and support vocations.

Since this Newsletter will reach you during the holiday season, may I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

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#### IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Helen Kenny, mother of Fr. Ray Kenny, R'57 Mrs. Frances Sammon, mother of Fr. Peter

Sammon, R'42 James Derry, brother of Fr. Daniel Derry, R'57 R'25, John Malone, grandfather of Matthew Wheeler, C'85 R'36, Rev. Msgr. John T. Dwyer R'25, Rev. Robert Logan R'36, Michael Mahonev Mrs. Artemis Giraudo, mother of Louis J. Giraudo, R'66 Diane Dupre, infant daughter of Daniel Dupre, C'83, and his wife, Dorothy R'31, Rev. Msqr. Cyril Wood Mary Donohoe, wife of Mel Donohoe, R'30, and mother of Hugh Donohoe, C'72, and James Donohoe, H'71 R'53, Rev. Richard Hecht R'39, Joseph M. Ochoa, brother of Anthony Ochoa, R'42 Leonard Mollahan, father of Molly Lyons, the Librarian at the College Most Rev. Hugh A. Donohoe, D.D., brother of Mel Donohoe, R'30, and uncle of Hugh Donohoe, C'72, and James Donohoe, H'71 Gerald O'Neil, brother of Rev. Maurice L. O'Neil, S. S., member of the College faculty. Maleada Strange, mother of Rev. Michael Strange, S. S., R'59. and Arthur Strange, R'56

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#### ATTENTION ALUMNI:

Please remember to inform the Alumni Office of the death of an alumnus so condolences may be sent to his family. Thank you'

#### ALUMNI NEWS

R'30, REV. JOHN O'NEILL, S.S., who celebrated his golden jubilee of priestly service on June 6, 1986, was honored by Rev. Victor J. Schymeinsky, M.M. in the June, 1987 issue of <u>MARYKNOLL</u>. Fr. Schymeinsky wrote "Fr. John O'Neill was the catalyst for my own interest in the Missions." Fr. O'Neill directed the Missions Club and brought a variety of guest lecturers to the seminary while Fr. "Vic" was a young seminarian. Fr. O'Neill's interest in the missions influenced Fr. Scheymeinsky's decision to enter Maryknoll and begin training to be a missionary priest.

R'39, BISHOP MARK HURLEY is in Rome assuming new duties as a consultant to the Congregation for Christian Education, and as a member of the Secretariat for Non-Believers in the Vatican Curia. He is reported to be working on a process to facilitate dialogue between Catholics and Marxists somewhere in Russia during 1988.

R'59, JOHN LEIPELS lives in Sunnyvale with his wife and six children. John is a teacher at Woodside High School.

R'61, KENNETH KELZER lives with his wife and son in Novato. He is a psychotherapist and has a private practice for marriage and family counseling. He has recently published a book entitled The Sun and the Shadow: My Experiment with Lucid Dreaming, published by A.R.E. Press.

R'63, GERALD MARING is married and lives in Pullman, Washington with his wife and three children. He has his doctorate in Education and is an Associate Professor at Washington State University.

R'63, JAMES NICE lives in Azalea, Oregon where he works for the State of Oregon as a counselor to molested children and broken families.

R'63, JAMES STACK is married and lives in San Francisco with his wife and two daughters. He works for the San Francisco Unified School District and is currently pursuing a doctorate in Education.

R'63, BERNARD ERWIN visited the Alumni Office in July. He is an agent for the New York Life Insurance Company. He lives in Alameda with his wife and three sons.

R'64. PATRICK CORBIERE is a Captain in the San Leandro Fire Department. He is married to Kathy and they have three children.

R'64 DAN AUSTEN who studied for Maryknoll visited the Alumni Office in August. He is a pilot for PSA (U.S. Air) and lives in San Jose with his wife and three children.

R'65, MILTON URIBE lives in Greeley, Colorado with his wife and two children. He graduated from U.C. Berkeley and has a doctorate in Education. Presently he is in the insurance business and works for Mutual of Omaha. Milton also serves as a major in the army reserves. R'65, JOHN McCARRON is married to Valerie and they have a daughter. He is a criminal investigator for the Public Defender's office in San Jose. R'65, GREGORY HARNEY is a lawyer in San Francisco where he lives with his wife. H'65, LAURENCE HAUN is a lawyer and lives in Sonora. R'65, JOSEPH A. MACEDO is a Captain in the U.S.A.F. and is stationed at Shaw A.F.B. in South Carolina. He is widowed and has a daughter and a son. H'65 WILLIAM MACEDO works for the city of Alameda. He lives in Livermore with his wife and three daughters. H'65, MICHAEL MANNIX lives in Oakland and works at the Naval Supply Center H'66, JAMES MULLARKEY lives in Albany with his wife and three children. Jim is an electrician. R'66, THOMAS NICE lives in Eugene, Oregon where he is in the construction field. R'66, WILLIAM F. O'BRIEN is a C.P.A. and works in San Jose where he lives with his wife and two sons. R'66, HERBERT KUSS is a city attorney in Fairbanks, Alaska where he lives with his wife and two children. H'66, GILBERT MONTOYA lives in San Francisco where he is a Transit Manager for the San Francisco Municipal Railway. R'67, DANIEL J. LYNCH works for the U.S. AIR Force and lives in Yucaipa with his wife and two daughters. H'68, GARY POOLER was married on April 13, 1987 to Karen. They exchanged vows in Hawaii. Gary is an Industrial Education teacher in San Jose. C'69, PETER ANDERSON is a columnist for the Marin Independent Journal in San Rafael. C'69, JAMES NEARY is married and lives in Santa Rosa with his wife and two children. Jim is the manager for Research for the State Compensation Insurance Fund. C'69, STEVE HOWES teaches 5th grade in Soquel, and also works in a local theatre group. Recently he spent a year in Spain on sabbatical. He is married and has two children. C'69 GARY PASSARINO is a lawyer and lives in Santa Rosa with his wife.

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## ALUMNI NEWS (cont'd.)

C'70, DAVID HERNANDEZ is a supervisor for the General Assistance Program for the city of San Jose.

H'70, JOHN GROSS is a senior technologist at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. C'71, ED BRADY is married and lives in San Carlos with his wife and three sons. He is an engineer with Pacific Gas and Electric Co.

H'71, MICHAEL SHEEHAN lives in Saratoga. He is a science-journalist, and intends to publish a book soon. He is a soccer coach for the girl's varsity team at Saratoga High School.

H'72, JOSE SALCIDO is a sergeant in the Santa Clara Sheriff's Department. He is married and has a little boy.

C'72, TONY VASCONCELLES is employed by the County Social Service of San Jose. C'72, DENNIS BAVA visited the College in August. He has been transferred from Tokyo to Seoul, Korea where he is the Executive Director for International Paper, Korea Ltd.

H'72, HENRY HUERTA visited the Alumni office recently. He is attached to the Salinas Office for the State of California Industrial Relations where he works as a Hearing Officer. Henry graduated from the University of Oregon with a B.A. in Political Science.

C'73, PAUL VON GOTTFRIED visited the Alumni Office in June. He has been the Executive Director for the United Cerebal Palsy Association, Inc., for Stanislaus County. He is planning to take a similar position for the State of Florida.

H'73, TIMOTHY CONNELL was a member of the San Francisco Police Department for five years, and then decided to join the San Francisco Fire Department.

C'74, MICHAEL STEINBRECHER and Elaine are proud parents of Sarah Elaine who arrived in April to join her brother, Joshua, who is two years old.

C'74, JIM DENMAN visited the Alumni Office this past summer. He lives in Seattle where he is completing his Ph.D. in music at the University of Washington. Jim plans to spend the autumn and winter in Paris researching his dissertation and studying privately with Marie-Claire Alain, an internationally renowned concert organist. Jim's dissertation concerns the music of her brother, Jehan. C'74, MARK VAN DEN BROEKE is an elementary school teacher in the Alum Rock School District. Mark is married and lives in Milpitas with his wife and two daughters. H'75, ROBERT DRURY is a Collections Officer for Bayview Savings and Loan Co. He is married and has one son.

C'77, SIMAO AVILA lives in Cupertino and is a labor lawyer for Littler and Mendelson. H'79, DOMINICK DOHERTY visited the Alumni Office recently. He spent six years in the U. S. Air force during which time he was a military policeman and an air crew member on a C-5 transport plane. He recently left the Air Force and is presently working as a deputy sheriff in Contra Costa County.

C'77, Rev. Thomas Diaz is a Campus Minister for St. Vincent's High School in Petaluma. He also teaches Theology and resides at St. James Parish.

C'81, STUART JULIAN has moved to the Holy Cross Novitiate in Waterford, New York. Upon completing his novitiate year, he will move on to the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio.

H'81, PAUL TOLINER and his fiance visited the Alumni Office in early August. Paul is living in Kent, Washington where he works for a property management firm. Paul and his fiance are planning a July 23, 1988 wedding.

C'82, REV. MICHAEL PAVLAKOVICH was ordained to priesthood on June 6, 1987, for the Archdiocese of Denver. He is now serving as the Assistant Pastor at St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Aurora, Colorado.

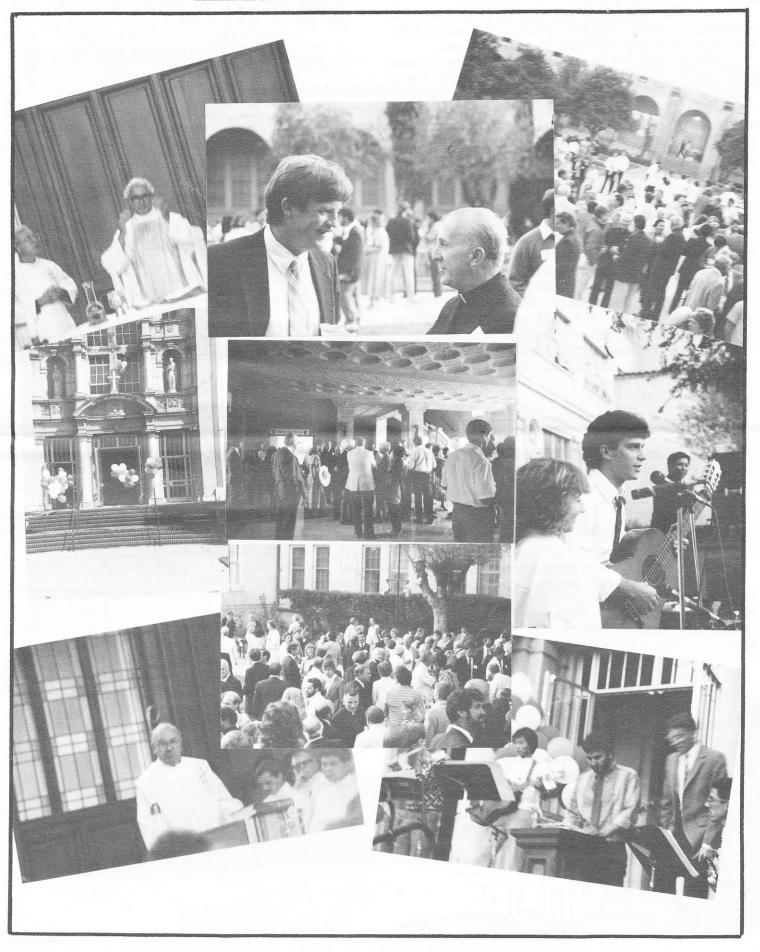
C'82, REV. TED OSWALD recently visited the Alumni Office. He has been elected to the Priest Council for the Diocese of Santa Rosa.

C'85, JEROME BETTENCOURT visited the College and had some good news. He is being married in Montecito, Santa Barbara on December 19, 1987.

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The Alumni Office welcomes news about all alumni. Please send your information about you, your family, your job, etc. to the Alumni Office. The next Newsletter will be published in April, 1988.

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# ELECTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

At the September meeting of the Board of Governors, the election process for electing new Alumni Board members was discussed.

Up to the present time, alumni have been chosen by a nominating committee to run for a seat on the Board. Two persons were nominated for each vacancy on the Board. All nominees were then included on a ballot which was sent out in the NEWSLETTER. Given the low number of responses to the ballot system, it was decided that Messrs. Carroll and Donohoe should draft a consideration to use a nominating committee to elect new Board Members.

The Board members suggested that a questionnaire be included in this NEWSLETTER, requesting alumni to suggest persons who should be considered for membership on the Board.

The Alumni Board meets four times a year: February, May, September and December. The meetings are held at 3:00 p.m. at the College. Each term is for three years of service.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING QUESTION NAIRE AND RETURN IT TO THE ALUMNI OFFICE. THANK YOU!

#### THANK YOU FROM FR. ALBERT GIAQUINTO, S.S.:

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September 16, 1987

Reverend Gerald D. Coleman, S.S. President/Rector St. Joseph's College P.O. Box 7009 Mountain View, CA 94039

Dear Gerry:

Thank you for your kindness in having me as a guest at the Alumni gathering last week. Everything went well and the whole event and visit were a delight. I finished it off with a late lunch with Ginny and Ed Sullivan at La Hacienda.

I am still processing the whole experience. I felt like Dr. Who or an episode of Star Trek. As I walked around the building and the grounds I found myself trying to reconstruct 1963-1969. A couple of the workmen are the only ones who date from that time. It was familiar and unfamiliar as I came down the main stairway. And meeting again the students from those years -- life was still going on and they are all in new places. So many of them have done well! I was challenged and my synapses did not always respond when they referred to things I said, events that took place, people who had been there.

This was the first time I have ever gone back to a place where I was stationed. It may be true, "you can't go back home," but the warmth of the fellows and their wives, the joy of just seeing one another touched me deeply and I am grateful that you invited me and Ginny pressed me to come.

With love and prayers,

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Rev. Albert C. Giaquinto, S.S.

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The following alumnus/alumni should be considered for membership on the Board:

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I am interested in serving on the Alumni Board:

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