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1980 REUNION SCHEDULED

Mark your calendar today! The third annual reunion of the Padua Alumni Association will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday August 15-16-17. The previous two reunions were successful and it is hoped that many alumni will attend the 1980 reunion. It is being held during the summer at your request. This year's reunion will mark the 25th anniversary of the graduation of the Class of '55, the 15th anniversary of the Class of '65 and the 10th anniversary of the Class of '70.

Registration forms are enclosed with this issue of <u>The Paduan</u>. Time is short so return your form quickly. As Sewretary-Treasurer of the Association I apologize for not getting information to you sooner but personal commitments have taken up most of my time.

Once again this year's gathering will be centered right at Padua. Registration will take place Friday evening with most activities taking place on Saturday. In addition to the business meeting and the tradition tour, Alumni Mass, and banquet, this year's activities will include a softball game if weather permits. (So bring a glove or two!)

We will again attempt to offer full services for the reunion, from low-cost accommodations and meals to baby-sitters if needed. We hope to see you August 15-17!

1980 DUES

Alumni Association dues are \$6.00 a year. The 1980 dues became payable in January. To save on postage costs, individual reminders are not being sent out. If you have not yet done so, please send in your 1980 dues today.

Checks should be made out to: PADUA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

At the 1978 reunion, the officers were given the authority to update the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association. These have been ready since 1978 but not distributed. Therefore at this year's reunion copies of the new Constitution and Bylaws will be available for your review. Those not in attendance may receive a copy by writing to the Secretary-Treasurer. Following any discussion, a final vote will be taken on the Constitution and Bylaws at the business meeting.

ALUMNI DIRECTORY

There have been numerous requests over the last few years for an Alumni Directory. Although we are far from our goal of being in touch with each alumnus, a directory of sorts is being put together. Hopefully it will be available in time for the 1980 reunion. If you have any information on the whereabouts of alumni please send it in now so that the directory will be as complete as possible.

GRAND PRIX DATE

The date for the Watkins Glen Grand Prix has been changed back and forth several times already. At present, however, it appears that for this year at least, the race will be held on the traditional October date. Three spectator races are now scheduled at the track:

July 4-5-6 Six Hours/CAN-AM

August 1-2-3 Kent Oil 150/ Bonus Nationals

October 3-4-5 Toyota Grand Prix of the United States

ALUMNI HALL OF FAME AVARD ESTABLISHED

The new Constitution and Bylaws provide for the establishment of an Alumni Hall of Fame Award. This award, recognizing outstanding dedication to St. Anthony of Padua Prep School or the Alumni Association, will be presented for the first time at the 1980 Alumni Banquet. Nominations are being sought at this time for recipients of the award. The relevant sections of the Constitution and Bylaws are as follows:

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 4. There shall be an "Alumni Hall of Fame". This honor roll shall consist of those alumni, friends of Padua, or Franciscan friars associated with Padua whose service to Padua or the Alumni Association

has been of an "outstanding and exceptional nature". Members of the Alumni Hall of Fame shall be considered permanent Alumni Association members with lifetime rights and privileges, including lifetime exemption from dues. Any active member of the Assocation may nominate an individual for induction to the Alumni Hall of Fame. Such nomination must be made in writing to the Secretary of the Association at least one month prior to the next scheduled general alumni meeting. The nominating letter should follow the outline presented in the bylaws of the association. The current officers of the Association shall review all nominations prior to the next scheduled Alumni Meeting and select a limited number of outstanding nominees for induction into the Alumni Hall of Fame. These nominees shall be announced to the general membership at the next scheduled business meeting of the Association, and shall be inducted into the Hall of Fame during the Alumni Rennion Banquet. Alumni Hall of Fame members shall be presented with a certificate or plaque so certifying the Association's recognition of their outstanding contribution to Padua, and each individual's name shall be permanently inscribed on a plaque to be kept with the formal Assocation records and displayed during public functions of the Association.

BYLAW 4. Nominations for the Alumni Hall of Fame are to be made in writing to the Secretary of the Association in the following format: name of the individual nominated; that individual's association with Padua; your reasons for believing that this individual's service to Padua or the Alumni Association have been of an "outstanding and exceptional nature"; your name and address. Such nominating letters must be sent to the Secretary of the Association at least one month prior to the time of the next general alumni meeting ao that the officers may have sufficient time to consider all nominations and select the most outstanding for induction into the Alumni Hall of Fame at the alumni banquet. If an individual is not inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame in a given year, he may be renominated in succeeding years. For convenience, several alumni who are considering the nomination of the same individual for this honor may submit one nominating letter listing all their names.

For convenience this year, the registration form for the reunion also contains nomination forms. Alumni interested in nominating someone for the Hall of Fame Award should fill out the information requested and send it back with the 1980 Alumni Reunion registration form.

REMINDER

August 15-15-17 are the dates set for the 1980 Alumni Reunion. A registration form is included with this newsletter. Send it in today and plan on being at the reunion in August!

PADUA ALTERNATIVES LEARNING CENTER STARTED

Fr. Austin is proceeding with plans to set up an alternatives education learning community for older adults at Padua. The goal is to purchase the Padua property from the Franciscans, who continue to allow the building and grounds to deteriorate. In conjunction with the purchase of the property, a learning center will be established serving not only residents but non-residents, alumni, and tourists. The Padua Alternatives Learning Center Board of Mirectors has applied to the New York State Regents for incorporation as a non-profit educational institute and will begin programming in the near future.

As its first priority, however, the Board in co-operation with some of the residents of Watkins Glen is seeking to raise funds to halt the deterioration of the buildings. The "Save the Building" project will conduct a large scale rummage sale on June 21 and 22 to raise funds. Since it was felt that many alumni would want to contribute to this project as well, a raffle is being sponsored by the Association with 75% of the proceeds going to the Padua Alternatives Learning Center's projects and 25% to the Alumni Treasury.

It is hoped that once the Franciscans see the good will that exists among village residents and alumni for preserving the building they will provide funds as well for repairing the building.

Meanwhile applications are being prepared that would designate the complex as a historical site thereby making it eligible for matching funds from the government for repairs. Your help as an alumnus is urgently needed. The Association has two representatives invalved with the project: President Tom Malina and Secretary-Treasurer Reggie Stanczyk. They will provide a channel for input from the alumni to the project on alumni concerns. Meanwhile, your love of Padua is being called upon to help preserve our alma mater. More massive fund raising projects will be undertaken in the future. For now, your support of the raffle and/or cash donations for the project are requested. Five raffle tickets are enclosed. Return your donations today!

"A THOUSAND WORDS..."

They say a picture is worth a thousand words. Well, never fear, pictures will return in the next issue of <u>The Paduan!</u> In an effort to avoid any further delay in getting this issue out, pictures were eliminated and a new size format tried.