

YULETIDE THOUGHTS

'Tis the season to be jolly, to laugh and sing, to meet with friends and have a good time; it is Christmas with all the holly wreaths, pine trees and colorful decorations. A child with his belief in Santa Claus is happily expectant; young people look forward to a gay whirl of parties and celebrations and the older folks recollect many beautiful memories of Christmases past. Meanings certainly do change with age but for sure they are never lost. Although a good deal of that childlike excitement is gone, Christmas remains in the heart an exciting, joyous time.

This may be so because it seems that the spirit which Christmas stands for is inherent in every human being. Although we see it exploited in every possible way by commercialism to the extent where one becomes smothered by Jingle Bells and Bing Crosby, the spirit can never be choked by exaggerations. Christmas is the birthday of the Savior of the human race, Jesus Christ, and it appears that for that reason the spirit is not something poured in by the forces of conformity but rather the feeling exists in all men because whether they consciously realize it or not they are jubilant because of that sacred event.

We cannot exclude the symbols from Christmas but likewise we should never allow the symbols to disguise or rather eradicate the basic spirit of Christmas. The various customs which we practice such as gift giving and receiving are offspring of that spirit, a spirit of love and appreciation which we express in what way we can.

Just as everywhere else, the Christmas spirit pervades the atmosphere of Padua. All about the school the hum of activity can be heard as many students, Brothers and Fathers contribute their part to the making of decorations and the organization of festivities. One individual comes to mind whose imaginative ideas seem to pour out in a continuous flow. This person is Brother Vincent. Each year Brother works for weeks before Christmas constructing manger scenes and trimming trees. When the work is done exclamations ranging from "It's beautiful", to a sincere "That's nice" never fail to be heard.

The pre-Christmas season reaches its highpoint at the annual Christ-

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Seniors Dave Susi, Bob Macewski, Bob Wagner, Stan Karcewski and Bill Brzoska wish all our readers a Merry Christmas in behalf of the student body and Faculty.

mas Party. The party, also largely the work of Brother Vincent and the kitchen staff, provides an opportunity for happy individuals to come together at a time when togetherness is essential. It is essential because Christmas is by no means an individual thing, it should comprise a union of high spirits. It is a season meant to be shared with others because joy is a contagious thing and has the strange habit of being easily spread and intensified. The party itself is a combination of banquet, entertainment, afforded by the student body, and the exchange of gifts. This party, full of traditions and customs, is probably the most symbolic of the entire school year.

Thus the Christmas season comprises many feelings, a diversified spirit and innumerable trimmings but all these are merely a circumference which encloses the heart and body of Christmas: its real meaning. December 25th above everything else is Christ's birthday.

That is why we celebrate Christmas; let us not lose sight of the fact. Christ was born 1963 years ago. He was born so that He might die for us; that should not be forgotten. We should strive to prevent that fact from becoming subordinate in our Christmas, rather with each party we attend we should remember that Our Lord expects us at His Party on Christmas morn; with each gift we receive we should be mindful of the gifts which He has given us and we should be right to try to return His gifts in whatever way we can; upon seeing resplendent decorations we should call to mind the vast quantity of grace and virtue with which we can decorate our souls.

With these thoughts in mind the PADUAN staff, if we be permitted to use a standard but never hackneyed phrase, wishes to all a very Merry Christmas and a New Year more bountiful than the last.

Seniors Take SAT Tests

On December 7th 32 seniors passed another milestone on the way to college. At 7:00 A.M. a tense group boarded a bus bound for Ithaca and Cornell University. The university is the sight of the College Entrance Examination Board testing program. All of the 32 present took the morning exam known as the S.A.T. The seniors chewed erasers, sweated, grunted and strained for three long hours as they answered about three hundred questions. This must be done with speed and yet not sacrificing accuracy and the seniors did their level best to apply themselves to the best of their ability.

Following the arduous exams, sighs of relief abounded and exclamations of joy, satisfaction and, unfortunately, defeat were intermingled. A portion of the group set out for Ithaca to enjoy themselves for the afternoon while the remaining seniors waited at Cornell for the afternoon examinations. These include the Achievement Tests and the Writing Sample.

In town the boys dined in the various restaurants about town and after satisfying those growling stomachs many took in a show while others, more energetic, enjoyed a game of bowling. Some spent part of their afternoon just strolling about the town. Since it is the Christmas season the boys found the stores and streets decorated with Santa Clauses, Christmas trees and lights. This atmosphere made the afternoon all the more pleasant.

A weary but thoroughly happy group departed at 5:30 for school. During the length of the trip the day's events were related and many discussed the day's tests. Opinions about the exams varied.

Advice to the Juniors? The S.A.T. board does not test detailed knowledge. They don't ask dates or names. Rather they test your power of reasoning and your ability to interpret a statement. Math problems are solved by a combination of basic mathematical principles. It is up to you to be able to decide which ones to use. You won't be expected to have memorized the formula for finding the volume of a right conical solid. It is useless to attempt to cram information into your head a month before the test. About the soundest advice I can give you is this — Read. Read good books and do so with understanding.

RESPONSIBILITY

The other day, as I walked down the hallway I could not help overhearing a group of students discussing some problems which undoubtedly were of great consequence and national impact. Irrespective of their importance, which they must have had since they were being spoken in tones of secrecy used only by the Central Intelligence Agency and the FBI, I dared to infringe upon the rights of this group and I listened to what was being said.

I fear that as a spy I would be an utter failure since I have now forgotten most of the information which they had so willingly related. However, there was one fact which I did note as being of some consequence and which might reflect the essence of the argument or at least their state of mind. At many points I had heard them use the word "responsibility" in all its forms ranging from verb to adjective. There were numerous clauses, phrases, and sentences in which they had employed that word to get an idea across. It set my mind to thinking, — a monumental experience — thinking about that word.

It occurred to me that it is upon responsibility that we base the majority of our judgments of human character. It is a term which has been closely associated with those who are advanced in years. Advanced in years, by today's standards is usually taken to mean over twenty-one. However, responsibility is not something that comes with age as though it were a talent hidden from view and then suddenly and miraculously brought to light. Rather it is an art which we are taught from a very early age with the hope that we may someday develop it to its fullest usefulness. At its developed stage it is a sign of maturity; notice the word, sign. It is not brought on by maturity but rather responsibility and maturity are of such natures that one is dependent upon the other for its existence. Maturity may be taken to mean that one is able to meet and handle problems successfully and that one is capable of making decisions based on clearly defined lines of reasoning. All these things necessitate a sense of responsibility, for example, does one respect the opinions and feelings of others, does one realize his duties and that he must do them, does he understand the importance of doing his job to the best of his ability?

It is true that this is all very fine and quite idealistic. There is certainly no problem as to whether we know the meaning and importance of responsibility. However, as is common with our human nature, not many of us are so willing to practice what we know and speak about. We all talk in fine ideals about responsibility, ethics and the like but do we make an effort to be responsible, to be ethical or to recognize the rights of others? Few and far apart are those who have the courage and the moral conviction to do what they know is right. Yet these few, this select group who have a well defined sense of what is right and wrong constitute the foundation of our society; all others all wavering components of the whole who swerve and fluctuate with the tides of human opinion and greed. They are supported by the groundwork of responsible individuals. But what if that foundation is lacking; what if the support does not compensate for the unethical?

Then the society decays; it falls into a state of ruin and all good efforts are lost. It is left up to us, the youth of America to make certain that we develop a sense of responsibility and acquire the ethical values most necessary in this world of confusion.

Thomas Zwolinski

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A RED FIRE ENGINE

A light snow was falling on the throngs of Christmas shoppers as they shuffled from store to store in search of presents for friends, families and loved ones. Johnny was oblivious to the crowd pushing him to and fro as he clutched at the shiny half-dollar in his hand and excitedly peered into shop windows, creating a somewhat humorous sight with his cold-reddened nose flattened on the windows straining to see the many wonderful toys. Toys which Johnny could only have in his dreams.

When he entered the huge downtown department store Johnny's eyes swept panoramically around seeking out each beautiful toy. And in his child's imagination Johnny played with them all. Suddenly his eye caught upon a small red fire engine which was quite insignificant compared to the shiny chromed bicycles or the amazing electronic robots or the fascinating electric trains. Johnny elbowed his way through the shoppers and when he reached his goal he grasped it and stood admiring it for many moments. As Johnny walked to the sales counter, he felt head and shoulders taller than any of the people around him.

Giving his half-dollar to the cashier Johnny noticed a painting hung in a corner and quite dusty. He walked to it and stared at the infant. The child's wide eyes peered deep into Johnny's and turning away a tear trickled down Johnny's cheek.

Johnny thoughtfully walked down the already night-darkened street studying the snowflakes dancing in the air before the streetlamps. As he stared into the sky the image of the infant flashed again across Johnny's mind. Quickly he turned and hurried to the little wooden church on the corner. Johnny removed his tattered cap when he entered the vestibule and he solemnly walked to the manger scene; the red fire engine still in his hand.

As Johnny knelt before the crib, once again those eyes which seemed to encompass the whole world sought out Johnny's.

When the Father appeared in the church the following morning a strange sight indeed greeted him. On the floor before the manger scene lay a little boy, eyes shut and lips curved in a smile of satisfaction. As the priest carried Johnny to the rectory, he wondered about that red fire engine laying at the feet of the infant Jesus.

In Memoriam

With the passing of John Fitzgerald Kennedy this nation and all the nations of the free world have lost a great leader and peacemaker.

A cry of disbelief, astonishment, and despair has arisen from the very souls of millions of people. But, in a special way the youth, and particularly the youth of the United States of America, has felt the void, the emptiness that has entered their hearts due to the hideous slaughter of such a beloved man.

His great concern for the young, his vitality, and his own proximity to youth endeared John F. Kennedy to the hearts of young men and women in all walks of life. He will not only be remembered for the things he did but also for the man he was.

We have borne this crisis as have other teenagers throughout the country. We have felt the sudden surge of hushed calm covering the land and, moreover, the chill of death mingled with the warmth of love and admiration in our beings toward a fallen hero. We have sympathized with his wife and family. We have mourned with kings and rulers of the world powers. But even more than that, we have prayed for his soul, so that it might return to its Maker and enjoy eternal life and peace.

Monuments of stone and mortar may crumble; written words may be lost and forgotten, but memories of the deeds, of the accomplishments and of the man, John F. Kennedy, will be long lived. I am sure that the best tribute that this man can receive is that of prayer.

May his soul rest in peace.

By T. J. K.

SQUAERIS ADS

Once again the Siquaeris staff has turned to the student body for cooperation in financing the 1964 annual by selling ads.

The seniors did not do the job expected of them during their extended Thanksgiving vacation. Only seventeen of the thirty-nine seniors returned with ads and the total amount brought in was \$975, far from the senior goal of \$3900. It is hoped that during the Christmas recess a substantial amount of advertising will be contracted.

About \$5,000 is needed to publish the yearbook and all the funds come from these ads. This year expenses will be increased because of the increase in size and the new features added to the book.

The editors request that the five and ten dollar ads be stressed so as to lessen the amount of ad pages and thus improve the general appearance of the book. Remember, pictures for a one-third page ad or more are accepted and encouraged since photographs make this section more enjoyable to read.

All students are urged to fulfill their quotas. It is your yearbook, and you have the power to make it either a good one or a bad one.

The Siquaeris Editors

NEWS BRIEFS

On November 14th the Brothers were honored at a small celebration in the student dining room. The date marks the feast of their patron saint, Saint Didacus.

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The date for the completion of work in the Music Rooms has been pushed ahead of the original due to the many complications which were encountered. Johann, Padua's carpenter, is hard at work doing the job with the greatest speed possible without sacrificing the quality of his fine workmanship.

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The rash of cartons which has lately been occupying standing room in the "servants' entrance" contain the fixtures to be installed in the third floor lavatory.

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On December 5th, 6th, and 7th Father Hyacinth attended the annual Provincials Education Convention in West Chicago, Ill. The convention was composed of heads of Franciscan schools in the Assumption Province.



Mr. Frank Czajkowski, Alumni President, addresses the student body on Career Day 1963.

T.O.S.F. HOLDS RAFFLE

The Third Order of St. Francis, under the direction of Fr. Cajetan, is proving to be very active again this year. The first activity that they undertook was a raffle. The profits were for the benefit of the African missions. Bill Brzoska, the only officer remaining from last year, took charge and along with Stan Karcewski and Ronald Kwacz assumed the responsibility of selling tickets to the student body. The drawing itself took place on Nov. 22nd. The results were:

- 1st prize — transistor radio— Chudy
- 2nd prize — Kodak camera — Cuffney
- 3rd prize — \$5.00 cash — Tokarz

On December 7th this year's postulants were received as novices. On December 8th, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, last year's novices became professed members in solemn ceremonies before the student body.

With the profession of the new members, the next item on the agenda was the election of officers. At a meeting on December 12th, after a short secret ballot, Bill Brzoska became the new Prefect. Paul Parzych was elected Vice-Prefect, Byron Nied, Master of Novices, and Jeff Crisco was appointed Secretary. Fr. Cajetan will appoint a treasurer at a later time.

Because of Christmas

The precious Christmas story Lives on through all the years, And mother love is kinder, Because of Mary's tears.

And earth is still a haven For men who seek the right, Life still has its depth of love Because of Christmas night.

If men could meet at Christmas Around the manger bed And catch the Christmas spirit The hungry would be fed, And little children everywhere Would know true love and tender care,

Because of Christmas.

Grace Mathews Walker

To Expand Curriculum

With the coming of the third quarter a new subject will be added to the Paduan's curriculum. Typing will be taught by Father Cheribum to those who have at least an eighty average and desire to take the course. The school has recently purchased six new IBM electric typewriters to be used in this class. A developed skill in handling the typewriter will certainly be very beneficial to those who are planning to attend college.

A Bit of Wood

Prithee, why so bright and quivering my cheeks;
Prithee, why so blue and black?
If quiet and order are not thy suit,
Prithee, take position!

Prithee, why so red and grim thy face,
Prithee, why so crimson?
Ungirth thy loins and touch thy toes
Prithee, take position!

Prithee, keep thy peace and sleep well,
Prithee, forget the swell
And rest, if sleep will come, on ventral side,
A victim of position.

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JUNIORS RECEIVE CLASS RINGS

The long awaited day finally arrived for the juniors. On December 9th Father Albin Miklaszewski, the junior class moderator, distributed class rings in chapel. The student body was present for the ceremonies.

The class ring is no doubt the strongest single symbol of class unity. The ring represents the past, the present, and the future. In later years the ring will serve as a remembrance, something that will keep one mindful of high school life, full of its fine ideals and goals. At present the ring is regarded as a sign that the wearer belongs; he has status.

Far more important than the ring itself is what it stands for. The gold's shine will eventually fade and one soon becomes accustomed to wearing his band of gold. However, the ideals and virtues represented by the ring never fade. Things like faith, honor and determination are not affected by time. But what about the individual? Will his beliefs and values become tarnished with the passing of time; will they be like a fad which will at first be worn proud then lessen in value to a mere shell and finally be cast aside? Let us hope that this is not the case with the juniors. Cherish your rings and cherish also what they stand for.

A THANKSGIVING AWAY FROM HOME

After a blessing from Father Hyacinth on Wednesday morning, November 27th, the staff of the Camper's Club: Bill Brzoska, Stan Karcewski, Bob Zito and Tony Montoya along with their moderator, Father Austin, were off for a five day trek into the wilds of northern New York State. Destination — Marcy Dam in the Adirondack Mountains.

This trip had been anticipated for over two years. Actual planning of the adventure began in September; maps were secured, literature on the Adirondacks was studied, and meetings were held weekly to even out any difficulties which might arise.

The work of organizing the trip was split amongst the staff members. Bill planned the menu and secured the provisions; Bob took charge of the tools; Stan gathered together the utilities and Tony put the kitchen utensils in order. Fr. Austin took over the task of administering and coordinating the venture. Tuesday night the Ford was packed and all was in readiness for an early departure come sunrise.

According to plans the trip was to be about two hundred and fifty miles, but as it turned out after a side trip through some of the most scenic country in the United States and after driving through the towns of Lake Placid and Saranac Lake, we finally came as close to Marcy Dam as we could get by car — Adirondack Loj, on Heart Lake, some three hundred miles and eight hours from school.

It was four o'clock in the afternoon by now and there was still a good two and a half mile hike ahead of us to the campsite. So, donning our packs and with Bob in the lead, we reached the dam at six-thirty and decided to use a lean-to for the night. We had originally planned to use our own tents, but considering the circumstances and since the temperature was about twenty degrees we thought it wise to employ the shack with a tarp as a means of preserving as much heat as possible.

The meals were to be prepared by each of us in turn. Bill cooked the first supper. Everything went

smoothly that evening and camp was in order for a few dreams.

We spent the next morning in relocating our campsite. The prevailing wind combined with the onslaught of smoke made the move necessary. That afternoon we were left on our own. Father Austin hiked the Old North road while Bob, Tony, and Bill took a five mile excursion to Avalanche Lake. That evening plans were formulated for one of the chief aims of the trip, the assault of Mt. Marcy, the highest point in New York State, elevation 5,344 feet.

As it was, it rained Friday morning and everything but our enthusiasm was dampened. The hike of some eleven miles, after some preliminary discussion began at 9:30. The trail for the most part was icy and wet. Once we reached Indian Falls, the mid-point, the going got rougher. The climb was now almost a steady upward pace, for the trail for the most part followed an old creek bed which was now frozen over. Upon reaching the Plateau shacks (about a half mile from the top) it became evident why this area appeared white. It was not snow, but everything was covered with a thick sheet of ice from rain during the night. The green boughs of the spruce and the evergreens were put into a cast of white crystals, even the grass was now but a blanket of ice. The going from here to the top was rough and most of the time we were on our hands and knees. Bill and Tony were the first to reach the summit. Although the peak was clearly visible from a lower level just a short while ago, a cloud had now covered it and we found ourselves standing on the iced, rock summit in the midst of a cloud.

We made our descent and joined the rest of the group at camp. A little tired and somewhat wet we all welcomed the meal prepared by Stan.

Saturday had crept up on us, and with it, snow. Father Austin had breakfast by the fire despite the fact that the snow fell heavily. Once on the road we encountered an inch or more of snow which slowed our progress considerably.

Our first stop was Rome, New York where we enjoyed a very delicious meal prepared for us by Mrs. Montoya. Last stop! all out! Reaching school about 11 o'clock

VICTORY WITH VALESCENTE

This season there arose the need for a new Varsity basketball coach. After scouting a few prospects for the job, Fr. Emil chose Mr. Robert Valescente who promptly filled the vacancy.

Mr. Valescente, better known as "Coach", hails from Seneca Falls, N. Y., and currently lives in Watkins Glen with his wife. Now attending Ithaca College where he received his B.A., our coach is striving for his Master's Degree in Physical Education.

Since the beginning of the season he has noted a great improvement in the spirit and effort of the Varsity members. He has attributed our losing streak to a general lack of aggression and a certain degree of inexperience. Our coach has traced the reason for the third quarter "jinx" and states that it is derived from a slack in physical fitness during the recent Thanksgiving holiday.

He now believes that the squad's members will eliminate the "jinx." Mr. Valescente feels that the Cascadars will give every opponent "one heck of a fight."

A note to the student body: Coach has remarked that the school spirit is really tremendous! Keep up the good work!

Whatever Happened To the Spiewnik?

A cry has arisen from the student body! The question being asked on campus this month is "Whatever happened to the Polish Community singing in chapel?" A Spiewnik has not been seen for months and the students have not heard the lilting melodious strains of a good Polish hymn in a long time.

There seems to be favoritism among the Italian members of the student body. We get spaghetti and meatballs for dinner and sing Latin Hymns in chapel but we only get kelbasa once in a while and no Polish Hymns at all.

I am appealing to those Polish members of the student body to organize and express your patriotic zeal.

We were all glad to be back safe and sound. But just ask one of those brave souls who spent their vacation in the mountains, if they would do it again. They would all surely answer, "Why sure, but next time, give us a week."

By William Brzoska

CHRISTMAS CHEER

Fr. Brendan Wroblewski, O.F.M., in a spirit of Christmas greetings, conducted a concert of traditional yuletide pieces on December 15th. It was given before the Sunday evening movie.

The concert began with the playing of "Joy to the World", "Silent Night", and "Carol of the Drum". On the agenda also were to be two duets, the first with Victor Bachynski and Les Sol and a second by Jeff Crisco and Ralph Tokarz. Due to an unexpected eye accident Victor Bachynski could not perform and Fr. Brendan substituted for him in accompanying Les Sol in "Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly", and "Jingle Bells".

Jeff Crisco and Ralph Tokarz presented an excellent performance in their two duets.

The band played an overture entitled "Holly Wreath Medley" among which were "Hark the Herald Angels Sing", "The First Noel", "Old Saint Nick", and "O Come All ye Faithful."

THE FOLLOWING NAMES HAVE BEEN PLACED IN THE PADUAN:

- Al Kacprzynski — in due respect for elders
- Ron Siedlecki — because he thinks he's on the staff
- J. Bartnikiewicz — his name takes up space
- Fr. Bertrand — he gets into everything anyway
- Zwolinski — he likes to see his name in print
- Maczewski — his mother would like to see his name
- Karcewski — he doesn't get into anything any other way
- Rembisz — he's liked
- Gricko — because we will do anything to preserve international relations
- R. Sprys — because otherwise we'd never hear the end of it
- Susi — for managing not to beat Ostaszewski
- Ostaszewski — for staying here for Thanksgiving
- Members of the "Briars Club" — we salute you

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SENIOR PROFILE

The gaiety of youth mingled with the responsibility of maturity have made Louis Czubackowski an excellent choice for the senior profile. His fine sense of responsibility and his active participation in sports made him one of the most popular members of the senior class.

It seems that Louie has a certain inborn coordination for the field of sports. Ever since his freshman year Louie has participated in various interscholastic sports. Among these are soccer, junior varsity basketball, and cross-country. He has also set a fine record for himself by being one of the better all-around gymnasts on Padua's widely recognized team. Louie gave cheerleading a try in his junior and senior years and he has turned into an avid and vigorous member of the squad.

Louie's abilities are not limited to the field of sports however, as can be seen from his standing in scholastic matters. To begin with, Louie has held the office of secretary for his sophomore, junior, and senior years and has represented his class by being a member of the student council in his junior year. He has also sung in Padua's student choir under the direction of Father Brendan.

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THE RESULTS ARE IN CASCADERS WIN IN THRILLER

It's that time again! Yes, the marks for the first quarter of the 1963-64 scholastic year have been tabulated and sent home. As timely as ever the marks arrived just a short time before the boys did for Thanksgiving Vacation. Special recognition is due to those who have achieved the Honor Roll. As to those who did not do quite so well, it must be remembered that this is only the first quarter and there is still time before the next grades are in. Although all cannot be expected to be honor students, with a little application and a lot of study and hard work everyone can better his grades. The following is a list of students who accomplished averages of ninety per cent or over:

1. T. Zwolinski 95.5
2. W. Brzoska 93.8
3. S. Malinowski 93.5
4. B. Nied 93.4
5. J. Crisco 92.5
6. R. Stanczyk 92.1
7. S. Smolenski 91
8. T. Malina 90.7
9. R. Kuzmiak 90.4
10. A. Brine 90.1

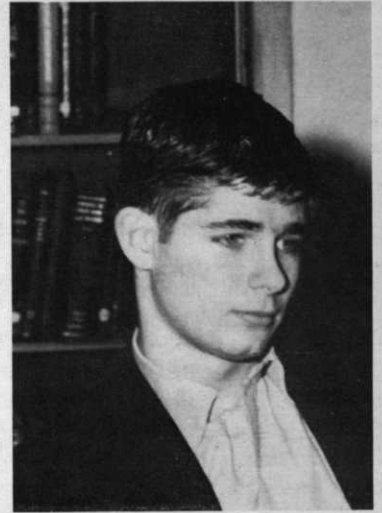
After being downed three times, the Cascaders looked for victory via the Odessa Chiefs. The Chiefs' however, were a confident, well-organized ball club this year.

In the first half the Paduans employed a full court zone press and were able to maintain only a four point lead.

The third quarter "jinx" almost took place again as the Chiefs took the lead by four points. But fine teamwork by Robert Wagner, sharp shooting by Bob Recotta and Rich Kvedrowicz, and fierce rebounding by Al. Gogick and Tony Vallaro, evened the score.

Since the fourth quarter score would decide the victory, both teams played hard, matched each other point for point, but finally the Cascaders broke loose for three consecutive baskets. The Chiefs tried to retaliate, but Tony Vallaro brought down the rebound and the quintet froze the ball. Only once were the Odessa Chiefs able to grab the ball and the Cascaders won 72-69.

Dick Kvedrowicz took many offensive rebounds and scored 31 points. Bob Recotta bucketed 20 points.



SENIOR PROFILE

Christian education — the door to eternal happiness — has led Stephen Smolenski to success through his four years at Padua High School. His determination in enduring all hardships presented to him has made him an outstanding member of his class.

Throughout his high school career, Steve has made significant strides forward in the journey to maturity. He has always been influential in instilling school spirit in those around him. He himself has practiced this school spirit by joining the Interscholastic basketball team, the cross-country team, and the Gym team. Steve also took on the job of sports writer for the Paduan in his junior and senior years. Steve handles the sports section of the Siquaeris, the school yearbook. His active participation shows itself in the fact that he holds the position of class Treasurer.

ODESSA J.V.s TOP PADUA

After a winning streak of three games the "Little Cascaders" lost their first game to Odessa 61-56. Although the team had an early lead the strength of their opponents became evident in the latter part of the game. It was the first time that the team faced a zone defense and taller rivals, and this was a determining factor in the defeat. Sharp ball handling by Tom Malina and Jack Wronkowski could not overcome the determined opposition.

Despite Ed Smolenski's contribution of thirty points, a new J.V. record, and Damien Czarnecki's fighting spirit under the boards, the J.V.s dropped their first game in four starts.

"MAY ALL THE BLESSINGS OF THE CHRIST CHILD DESCEND UPON YOU DURING THIS JOYOUS SEASON OF CHRISTMAS AND REMAIN WITH YOU DURING THE COMING NEW YEAR."

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WOODWORTH'S JEWELERS

J.V.s WIN OPENER

On the 26th of November Padua's new J.V. team met with its first opponent, Ovid Central High School. The first quarter score showed that it would be a close game from beginning to end. Although they were weak in their rebounds owing to the fact that their opponents had them beat in height, the "Little Cascaders" made their shots count and broke the Ovid defense wide open. The game was a hard fought battle but the Cascaders managed to win in a tense fourth quarter. The determining factors in the Cascaders' success were their speed and agility. The climax came near the end of the game when Padua was ahead by one point and Ovid missed an easy layup. As the buzzer sounded, the Cascaders were ahead 38-37.

Basketball Schedule '63 - '64

Dundee—November 22	Home
Ovid—November 26	Away
Trumansburg—December 6	Home
*Watkins Glen—Dec. 10	Away
Odessa—December 13	Away
*Notre Dame—Dec. 17	Away
Romulus—January 10	Home
Interlaken—January 17	Away
Dundee—January 24	Away
Ovid—January 31	Home
*Notre Dame—Feb. 4	Home
Trumansburg—February 7	Away
*Watkins Glen—Feb. 11	Home
Odessa—February 14	Home
Romulus—February 28	Away
Interlaken—March 6	Home
Dundee—January 14	Home

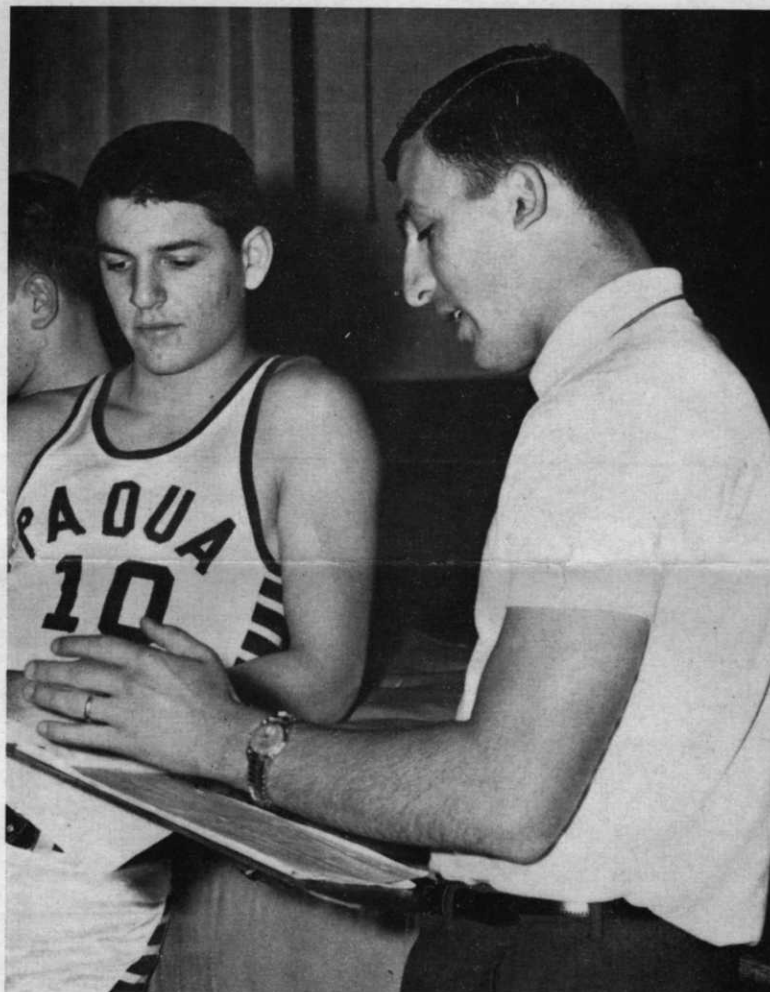
*These are non-league games.

Dundee's game on the 22nd of November was cancelled because of the President's death and it will be played January 14th.

LITTLE CASCADERS DO IT AGAIN

Under the superb coaching of Fr. Emil Rakowski the J.V.s won their 3rd straight game, defeating the Watkins Glen Senecas 48-34.

Demonstrating their increasing energy and fine team spirit, the quintet took the lead early in the game. After slacking off in the 3rd quarter the Cascaders realized that basketball is not a let up game. They finally came back fighting and finished with Smolenski and Tom Malina as high scorers with 18 and 12 points respectively.



Coach Robert Valescente talks over tactics with Bob Recotta

HANDICAPPED VARSITY DOWNED BY OVID

After the game against Dundee had been postponed, because of the tragic death of John F. Kennedy, our quintet opened the season at Ovid Central High School. Despite the loss of Rich Kvedrowicz and Bob Wagner, because of injuries sustained in a car mishap, the Varsity met their opponents with a keen desire to win.

Both teams played tight defense in the first quarter, but in the second quarter the Cascaders were confronted by a compact man to man press, and the Ovid squad jumped several points ahead.

After a brief half time interval, the Cascaders bounced back, being sparked on by the encouragement of our new coach, Mr. Robert Valescente. But Ovid continuously scored on fast breaks. The contest ended with Ovid on top, 62-38.

Alex Gogick and Bob Recotta led the defeated Cascaders with 13 points apiece.

WATKINS SLIDES PAST CASCADERS IN SHOOTING CONTEST

With the return of Dick Kvedrowicz, top Paduan ace, the Cascaders regained their confidence. Playing as a well organized team, the Cascaders were determined not to be outdone by the favored Senecas, their intracity rivals.

The Cascaders matched their opponents basket for basket and the half ended with Watkins one point ahead, 30-29. Then the Senecas broke the game wide open with a thirty point third period. The Padua quintet retaliated with a strong fourth quarter, employing a full-court zone press. Watkins, led by Lee, who incidentally scored 41 points, was able to freeze the ball to stop the comeback 78-68.

Dick Kvedrowicz bucketed 28 points and Bob Recotta and Tony Vallaro aided the cause with fifteen points apiece.

J.V.s WHIP TRUMANSBURG

The Thanksgiving holidays did not affect the J.V.s' ability to play basketball and it was proven in Friday night's game when Padua downed Trumansburg by the score of 34 to 26.

The team was sparked by both keen ball handling and clever play-making. Ed Smolenski led the offensive attack with 18 points, followed by Damien Czarnecki with 9.

INTRAMURAL TIME AGAIN

Under the supervision of Thomas Kello, Ronald Siedlecki, and William Gutowski, the intramural basketball season began.

The teams are divided into four leagues. The present teams are only temporary and will be re-chosen after the Christmas holidays. The A and B league teams have playing coaches who lead their respective quintets. C and D league teams are coached by members of the Varsity and Junior Varsity, who teach their squads the basic fundamentals through "perilous" games. Credit must be given to those brave Paduans who dare to referee these games.

CASCADERS LOSE IN THIRD QUARTER MIX UP

After the upset by Ovid the Varsity squad redoubled their efforts in the clash against Trumansburg. On our home court the quintet employed a box-and-one defense with Ray Sprys playing Ray Millspaugh man to man, the Cascaders matched T-burg point for point in the first half as Joe Jurewicz and Tony Vallaro pulled down many rebounds.

Then it happened! The T-burg five scored a bucket and formed a rotating full court press. Several times the Cascaders lost the ball and soon they found themselves twenty points behind. After a time out the Paduans settled down and regained their spirits. Unfortunately the margin was too wide and the buzzer sounded with the Cascaders behind 61-46.

Joe Jurewicz, recently brought up from the Junior Varsity, scored sixteen points to lead the Paduans to the near upset. Bob Recotta scored twelve points.

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