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Father Dacian Bluma and Father Austin give Holy Communion to Paul Smith during the Third Order Profession Ceremony. Fred Bagdzinski is in the background



THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

by Paul Lesczynski

On the weekend of Feb. 24th, the Camper's Club once again braved the winter weather with an overnight campout. More preparation was taken for this campout and it proved well worth it. Most of the campers fared well in the wilderness (at least this time no one froze to death). Sunday morning everyone hiked back to school in time for a Mass offered by Father Austin.

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With a great feeling of accomplishment, the **Siquaeris** Staff finished the final pages of the 1967 Yearbook. As Reg Stanczyk addressed the package containing the copy, he was heard saying, "It's been a tough year. But now that it is finished, the publishing company will have the book to us in no time at all". Now the juniors will take over and prepare for the 1968 **Siquaeris**.

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JUNIORS PARTICIPATE IN YOUTH COUNTY

The junior class of Padua took part in the annual Youth County exercises sponsored by the American Legion. Also participating were juniors from Watkins Glen, Odessa-Montour, St. John's Seminary and Lakemont Academy. The purpose of Youth County is to introduce students to politics on a county, city and village level. Three political parties taking part were the Nationalists, Federalists and the Independents. The students were divided into various groups, with each group representing a city or village.

The program of the first day consisted of a model town board meeting. As the meeting developed, everyone was pushing votes for his or her favorite candidates.

On the next day, our juniors were anxious to return in order to upset some of the candidates in the elections. On this second day, nominations for county offices were held. Each party retired to separate halls, nominating a number of students for each office. After the primaries were over, speeches were given by the candidates trying for election. Before the voting began, a delicious luncheon was served.

After lunch was served, the general election took place by secret ballot. While the votes were being counted, entertainment was provided by representatives from each of the participating schools. Padua's

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PROVINCIAL VISIT

On February 19, 1967, Father Dacian Bluma, ofm, Provincial of the Assumption Province, arrived for a short visit on Padua's campus. He was elected last year and this was his second visit as Provincial to Padua's campus. (He was here just before school started in September). During his stay at Padua, Fr. Dacian interviewed both the priests and brothers concerning the problems of Padua and their possible solutions. After hearing all the priests and brothers, Fr. Dacian spent a whole day listening to the seniors. Each senior had an individual interview with Fr. Dacian, during which they told him of their own personal gripes.

Before Father Dacian left he celebrated the evening Mass at which he inducted the novices into the Third Order.

A DAY AT ITHACA

Anyone coming to my dorm can see a huge atrocity in the form of a picture of Jean Harlow; Rich Wasek is sporting a white safari hat and Mike Tyburzy has a wild fake fur vest. Where did we come by all these interesting items? There's only one answer — Naturally, we bought them all in Ithaca.

On Monday, Feb. 13, the student body boarded a bus to go to Ithaca, and everyone had his share of fun. For some, the day started at a bowling alley; the more experienced bowlers proved their skill while the others (Tom Orczyk included) clown-ed around and had a ton of fun.

Other students walked around and viewed the many fascinating sites of the fair city of Ithaca. Several other seniors and I took a walk up the hill

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Marvin Badach, Dennis Wojno, Paul Lesczynski, Steve Kiersznowski, and Vincent Burcz discuss a point during Youth County



Daily, Brother Timothy Bojda can be seen around the campus working at different projects. He will celebrate his 50th anniversary in the Franciscan Order on April 13th

HAPPENING . . .

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Mother's Day Weekend is slowly approaching and preparation for the annual play is now in progress. Fr. Eric, as producer and director, expects a large turnout for the tryouts on "Arsenic and Old Lace".

The following seniors have been accepted to colleges:

John Mlynarski, Richard Wasek and Donald Prelich, to Seton Hall University.

Reg Stanczyk to Ithaca College and New York University. (He plans to attend N. Y. U.)

Nick Vickio to Corning Community College.

Roger Hetel to Rider College and Paterson State College (he expects to attend Paterson State).

Both Steve Czajkowski and Reg Stanczyk received Regents Scholarships for achievement in the Regent Scholarship Test. Reg also received grants from Ithaca College and N. Y. U.

On March 1st, Padua held a Chess Tournament against Lakemont Academy. The visitors were confident of victory, but as the game progressed, Padua managed to beat Lakemont, 4-1. On March 7, the Padua Chess Club blanked out Odessa by winning all 5 boards in a clean sweep. The record of the Rooks now stands at 2-0.

BROTHER TIMOTHY CELEBRATES 50th ANNIVERSARY

On April 13th, Brother Timothy Bojda will celebrate his 50th anniversary as a Franciscan Brother. Brother Timothy was born in Medynia Glogowska, Poland, on March 3, 1886. He entered the Order on March 17, 1916 and was professed on April 13, 1917. Brother Timothy is a man known to all Paduans as one who does his job in a true spirit of humility and dedication. He came to Padua when it was first opened in 1949, and since then has been occupied with the grounds as our landscapist. Fixing the ice skating rink yearly, laying sidewalks, clearing fields, caring for the lawns, and many other jobs were performed by Brother Tim throughout the years. His silent toil, his joyful spirit, prayerfulness and his untiring labor have been an inspiration. For this man of God has put first, above all things, the school and the people in it, for the love of God.

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THIRD ORDER PROFESSIONS

On February 22nd, at an evening ceremony, the Third Order of Saint Francis held its annual profession for the novices. "Dear Brothers, what is your request?" — That evening these words were asked of Brother Edward (Paul Smith) and Brother Anastasius (Fred Bagdzinski), and in reply they answered that they sought admission into the holy profession for life in the T.O.S.F.

The ceremony was simple but significant. Reverend Father Provincial centered his homily around open profession of faith, which the two boys had shown by being garbed in the brown habit and by taking upon themselves the responsibility of observing the Third Order Rule.

The two "Men", in the words of Father Provincial, reached the climax and the meaning of the profession when they received the Eucharistic Banquet under both kinds. For an everlasting sign, Father Dacian gave the newly professed Franciscans two crosses, to be a sign of the cross which the Franciscans had to bear for life.

Father Austin Lewinski, O.F.M., who is the Moderator of the Third Order, was the assistant in the profession ceremony, and Thomas Orczyk was Master of Ceremonies.

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representative was Bernard Kosydar, who played the accordion. After the entertainment, the results of the elections were announced. Jack Opiola was elected to the post of County Surrogate, being the only Paduan who won a county seat. As for the city officials, Bern Kosydar was elected councilman, and John Marosy gained the post of Supervisor. Also elected in village posts were: Joe Magiera and Dan Tusinski, who won Trustee and Justice of the Peace respectively. Although many other Paduans ran for offices, they were unsuccessful. Tom Voroselo, who ran for County Treasurer, missed it by three votes and Fred Bagdzinski lost the office of Mayor of Garden City, which for the past two years had been held by Padua.

YOU . . . AND I

It's been a long hard year—
You've been working and slaving
and working some more—
Chips of you and your mind have
fallen away—you're worse for
wear.

Your bones are weary and your
brain is dazed, your body is
sore.

Yet your feet keep plodding on and
up, up stair after stair.

It's been a long hard year—
You've been knocked around and
down and trampled on—
Everyone else has been right, you've
been wrong—

At least that's what they say as they
eat their mignon—

Yet you keep trying, working on the
chain, mumbling a song.

It's been a long hard year—
You've been shouted at, jumped on,
beat upon—

Words have slashed you, lashed you,
bashed you raw—

It's been a long hard year — yet
where has it gone—

The clock never stopped, but its
movement you never saw.

Reginald Stanczyk

"SNOWFLAKES"

People are like snowflakes. Each snowflake has a distinct pattern and every person has a pattern, a pattern of life. Just as each snowflake is different, each person is different, in mind, thought and person and appearance.

And as the snowflakes fall nightly on the ground they soon build a huge mass with a hard, crisp, glittering crust on the surface that shines even at night. This is the history of civilization. Men build up a world, hold up others, and depend upon one another. The ones on top, the glittering ones, are held up by the ones below.

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NOTES FROM THE BATCAVE

Marshmallow addicts! This is your feathered-do-gooder writing more timely observations from our lookout above the pig pen. Bloody Bananas, Batman got picked up for indecent exposure down in Watkins. I warned him not to wear those extra-tight purple long-johns.

Some awards for outstanding accomplishments in do-gooding, virtuous living and general all around swell-guyness were:

Fr. Mel: asbestos gloves and a coal pick for his toast.

Fr. Knute: "The Rolling Stones" to play his guitar Masses.

Martin Rembisz: A "Better Safe than Sorry" plaque, because Mary says he's well mannered.

Tom Orczyk: An Atlantic Trailer Truck full of uncrackable pistaschio nuts.

Steve Czajkowski: An equal quantity of pizza, smoldering with pepperoni, anchovies, mushrooms, Calcaciti Sauce and Bromo Seltzer for quick recovery.

By the way, we have to warn you, Thomas Kaczmarek, the senior class has hired a Viet Kong sniper to pick you off the next time you attempt to be the first one to get to the chemistry lab.

Our Electrophysic Wretched Understatement Computer registers Fr. Reynolds' winner this month, with thirty-nine "You won't have to know this, but it'll be on the next test". And Fr. Austin was a close second with "Come on you guys, you should know this stuff". An amazing thirty-six and a half times!

The Atomic Nutcracker and Kiss Thrower sends out three big juicy ones (kisses that is), downtown; one especially to the whole city for being, entirely, Watkins Glen. One apiece goes out to Vatican City, Green Bay (for our toilet paper holders), LBJ, my Mom, Watkins Coal (for de-icing us every now and then).

And the top secret mail received today — twenty applications for the University of Leningrad; and a giant 90 square foot portrait of Gay Nineties singing star Madame Bonozome for Roger Hetel.

Good golchenspills! Catwoman is going to steal Fr. Reynold's truck. I'd better get hold of her before she does . . . I guess (blush!) —Robin



THOUGHTS IN THE EARLY MORNING

by Reginald Stanczyk

Town permissions. What thoughts come to my mind? Aimless walking up and down and around Watkins? The Sweet Shop? Stone's? That 19th century candy store on the corner? The lake? Deserted Streets?

The emptiness of a small town — the only people you see are fellow Paduans, waitresses — or perhaps a friend from Watkins High . . . Mary or Sharon.

Smoky dimness, conversation and laughter, pool tables, empty glasses, LaFace's and the juke box playing "Ruby Tuesday".

Town permissions come and go — but the image remains. An image that stays the same be it October, January, March or May. The crowd in Irish's — Bob looking at cards for his girl . . . Barney reading "Camping" magazines . . . Charley, Rich, Danny or John scanning "Car and Driver", "Cycle", or "Road and Track" . . . Don buying the latest "U.N.C.L.E." paperback.

A walk down the windy city street . . . cars passing through a small town on their way to the big city . . . Steve looking at the new Mustang in Schuyler Motors . . .

Even the leaves and snow mounds don't seem to have changed since last time. Joe calls a greeting . . . you wait for your eyes to adjust to the gloom . . . you already know what you'll see, though — you've been here before.

Pooch setting a new record again on the pinball machine . . . Stogie and Bob with the fair sex . . . Mach trying to hustle up a pool game . . . Phil Flagg eating candy monotonously in a corner . . . the "Beat Going On" — and out — and over again.

Time slipping away . . . the others leaving . . . you staying those extra few minutes . . . A last stop at that store on the corner — Tom wants candy.

You take a final look around — you don't really want to go — but you know it won't change much by your next trip down.



SENIOR PROFILE RICHARD WASEK

by Thomas Voroselo

Here at Padua, we have many students who take an active interest in sports cars and auto racing. Among these is one of the co-editors of the **Paduan** — Rich Wasek.

Rich, who comes from Lodi, New Jersey, is an avid Chapparral and Chevrolet fan, and he is best known around campus as a friendly, easy-going guy. His participation in Varsity Soccer in his junior and senior years, sports manager for his class since his freshman year, and manager of basketball intramurals show his capability for leadership. Besides being co-editor of this paper, he is also Asst. Sports Editor for the **Siquaeris**, a Student Librarian and an actor in the annual Mother's Day play. Although he participates in these many mentioned extra curricular activities, Rich still manages to have enough study time to keep him in the upper portion of his class.

Since he is interested in the automotive industry, Rich would like to make a profession of it by studying to become an automotive designer. As far as colleges are concerned, Rich has applied to Rutgers University and Paterson State and has already been accepted at Seton Hall. To this well rounded individual we wish the best of luck for a prosperous future.

SENIOR PROFILE ROGER HETEL

by Thomas Voroselo

One thing of vital importance to a school newspaper is the editor and Roger Hetel, the **Paduan** co-editor is such a person.

Roger plans to major in English in college, and his interests in high school all seemed to be bent toward this direction. Besides being co-editor of the **Paduan**, Roger is assistant editor of the 1967 **Siquaeris**.

Roger has also taken an active interest in various extracurricular activities. Besides being in the Mother's Day play in his sophomore and junior years, he held a position as Student Council Treasurer last year and was nominated for President of the Student Council this year, (until it was mysteriously disbanded). Library work is also on his busy schedule.

IN MEMORIAM

We wish to inform the Padua Alumni of the death of Anthony Tulko of Brooklyn, New York, a 1959 Alumnus. He passed away on March 6, 1967. May his soul rest in peace.

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Finally someone has remembered that much overlooked phase of life here at Padua — recreation. Up until last month the only source of free time entertainment, other than sports, consisted of two pool tables and a lone ping-pong table in the gymnasium and rec-room. Luckily, 1967 has been a year of changes here on the hill, and recreation has benefited accordingly.

The school realized the first advancement in this area with the introduction to the bumper pool table in the rec-room. This caused immediate interest on the part of many students and is still in constant use. The next addition, a brand new billiard table, was installed about a week after the bumper pool game. Because the large number of students who like to play pool greatly taxed the services of the two old pool tables, the new one went over very big. With a reasonable amount of care, the table should give present and future Paduans many years of enjoyment.

Two more facilities will be made available to the students in a short time. The first consists of five new ping-pong tables, to be located either in the gym's rec-room or the rumored new game room in the main building. Waiting for a table to be open so one can play a game of table tennis, will no longer be necessary. The second, and newest of these innovations, a four lane slot car racing track, is scheduled for completion sometime in March. The course's sixty-six foot lap length is equal for all four lanes since an overpass is used to equalize the distances. Providing a long twenty-three foot straightaway and tight hairpin and ninety degree turns, the 1/24 scale raceway should prove to be a challenge for any slot racing enthusiast. It will probably be run on a club basis, with a yearly fee to be paid for its use. Members will have to provide their own cars, but the club will supply hand controllers. If all goes well, club races will be held at regular intervals.

As a result of these improvements, the free time of Paduans has become much more interesting. If these new things are well taken care of, students can probably look forward to more and better facilities in the future!

John Paul Marosy



Father Knute and Mr. Chamberlain were among the many teachers supervising at Youth County

CLOSING TIME

Twelve Midnight. The street lights start to blur. Scent of whiskey, and a shoddy spirit in the graveyard of the mind. Neon sign blinking on into the night: God to those who have fallen away. Give to the Salvation Army.

—"Just thinking . . . could have been in a shack down in Georgia; could have been downstairs in the tenement. Heck, my part of Harlem could have been Bethlehem!"

—"Jesus wasn't born in no ritzy apartment or big, old white house."

—"Don't bother bringing Jesus to us; why, He is one of us".

—"You might say you love Him, but if you saw Him on the street, you'd call Him a kike!"

—"You people don't know Jesus. To know Jesus, you have to sleep in a cold doorway at night. Or have your back carved and bruised with a nightstick. Or ask a kid in a worsted English suit for a dime and have him laugh in your face . . . No, you people don't know Jesus. Your pockets are full of cash and your mouths stuffed with steak!"

—"But I ain't never had thirty pieces of silver offered me, so I ain't saying I wouldn't do the same".

S. Czajkowski

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INTRAMURAL WINNERS

For some the week of February 26 was a time of happiness, others were terribly disappointed. During that week the last intramural basketball games were played. Under the direction of Martin Rembisz, and Rich Wasek and the faculty advisor, Fr. Knute Knitter, all went smoothly.

At the beginning of the season the teams were picked and coached by members of the varsity and junior varsity squad according to the ability of those participating in the intramurals. There were 20 teams in the four leagues.

Probably the stiffest competition was found in the A league, but Charles Krauss, both captain and player, coached his squad to victory after battling it out in a championship game with Vince Serzan.

The B league trophy was taken by Chris Young and his team which took it with the impressive record of 8 and 0.

The two minor leagues completed their rounds with Marvin Badach's team in first place in the C league and Edward Malina's team on top in the D league.

ITHACA . . .

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to explore the very interesting life at Cornell University (Several of my colleagues found the sites a little too interesting!)

While most students had lunch at the College Spa, many only walked from lunch counter to lunch counter sampling varieties of hot chocolate and milk shakes. After lunch some went to the movies while others continued their explorations. The afternoon was the time that most Paduans bought the various wares of the stores of Ithaca. The buses arrived to take us back to Padua at 4:15 and the majority of the boys came back to school recollecting their many adventures of the day.

That huge picture on my wall now is only a memory of a very cold Monday at Ithaca. —R. Hetel

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