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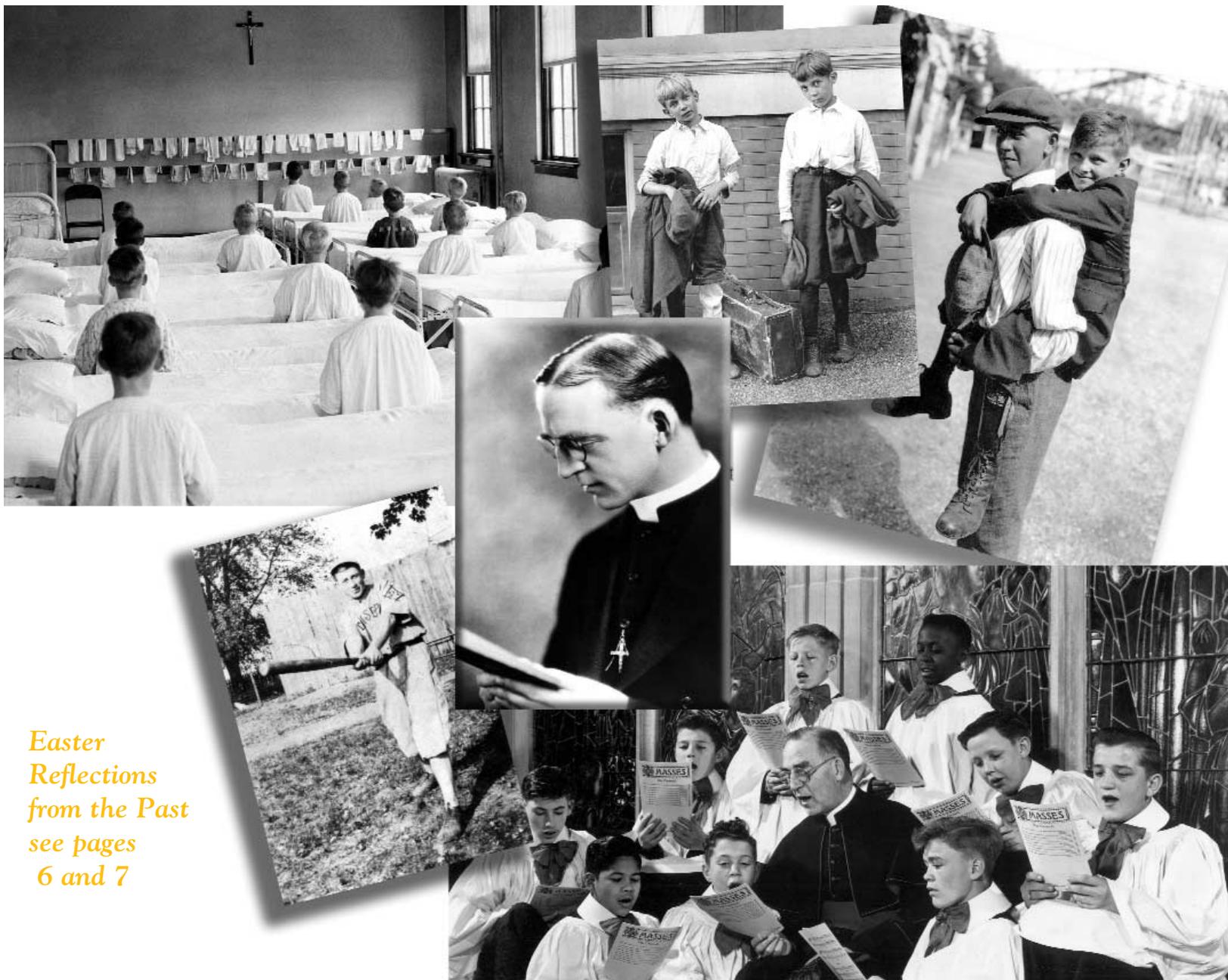
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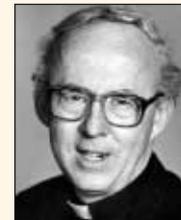
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The Original Father Flanagan's Boys' Home, Boys Town, Nebraska

Rely on Faith, Hope and Love



Dear Alumni,

I wish every one of you a very happy Easter. One filled with an increase of faith, hope and love.

Those words might sound shopworn because so many people repeat them so much, but they come from my heart to yours. Your world will not get better and neither will mine unless we increase our faith, hope and love.

If you could only be here and see the young girls and boys in our Village turning their lives around, you, too, would rejoice in your hearts. Life has failed these kids, not at the end or in the middle, but at the very beginning.

We received some brand new kids just last week, three of them age 11, and two others ages 13 and 14; they all have serious problems with alcohol. The beauty of Girls and Boys Town today is that we can help them get in touch with a "Higher Power" so they are not beaten down and defeated by addiction.

A second example would be our senior class. Many of them are anxious to serve their country and some have already left early for basic training, hoping to get a good slot in their advanced courses. When they came here they only cared about themselves. Now they would like to serve our beloved country. What a joy.

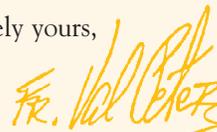
And then there are the very little kids who come without faith, without hope and without love. We restore for them trust in adults and trust in the Lord. We give them hope for the future. And we surround them with love. No wonder they are happy and rediscovering their childhoods.

These are all instances of the Lord's Easter grace working in our lives. We thank the Lord for it.

We ask each one of you in this glorious Easter season to make an extra effort to increase your own faith, hope and love. If just one or two readers would do so, it will all be worthwhile.

I wish you and your families a very happy Easter. I always remember you when I stand at the same altar of the Lord where Father Flanagan stood so many years ago.

Sincerely yours,



Father Val J. Peter, JCD, STD
Executive Director

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Focus on God and Family This Easter Season

Dear Alumni,

We hope that you are enjoying good health and prosperity this Easter Season. Eastern Nebraska has experienced an uncommonly mild winter, and once again we had about 1500 Canadian Snow Geese winter with us at the Village of Boys Town Lake.

For many of us, Easter is a special time of year; the days grow longer and milder; rain and wind give way to sunshine; and flowers perform their magic tricks. My favorite is the Easter lily, which has forever been a symbol of Christ's resurrection and an invitation to spiritual renewal. We all have much for which to be thankful. Make a pledge to spend more time with your family this year and be sure to attend church regularly.

If the terrible events of last September taught us anything, it is that life is not always fair and that many, many things lay outside our control. As Boys Town alumni, we understand the importance of family, rock solid marital relationships, and spending time with our children. It's very easy to become too busy and over-committed and to neglect relationships with family and friends. If there is a silver lining in the black cloud of 9-11, it is the realization that pursuing money, leisure and expensive toys are of little value in the face of unexpected disaster and death. Let's use this Easter season as an opportunity to focus on those things most beneficial to us: our relationships with God and our loved ones. And please, remember to pray for our children here at the Home and especially for our alumni serving in the military.

All the Best,



Stan Struble '68



Alumni Add To Our Home's Historical Collection



To all who have begun sending materials back to the Hall of History, thank you, thank you.

You are adding to the rich history of our Home and you are creating for your children and heirs a record of your past that will not end up in a dusty attic, a garage sale or just discarded. The pictures, mementos and other historically valuable items are as important to the Home as they are to you.

Some of the items graciously donated include personal photographs of time at Boys Town, copies of the Boys Town Times and Boys Town Journal, postcards, yearbooks, promotional materials from the 1920s and many other items. Several alumni have called to tell us about some of the Home's historical pieces in their possession so we know where to find the materials. We hope it might be returned someday.

For those of you who did not receive my letter asking for the donation of historically significant items for the Hall of History, please take the time to see what you can send back Home. Your donation will become part of the legacy that started with Father Flanagan in 1917 and continues to this very day.

On another note of historical significance, Tom Lynch has discovered the trip diary of Pat Norton for Father Flanagan's final journey to Germany. It is fascinating reading since it starts with the beginning of the trip and ends with the funeral Mass at Boys Town. I am sure many of you who knew Father Flanagan and Pat Norton might be interested in a copy of this very detailed and moving journal. If you would like a copy, please call Tom and he will send you a copy for the price of the postage.

If you want to send something back or want to talk about what you have, please contact Tom Lynch, Hall of History curator, at 402-498-1186, toll-free at 1-800-345-0458 or email lyncht@girlsandboystown.org. **Girls and Boys Town will reimburse you for your shipping costs.**

Thank you.



John Mollison '64
Associate Executive Director
Human & Physical Resources

Happenings At The Home

Girls and Boys Town Celebrates Its Olympic History

On January 10, the Olympic flame blazed brightly as Girls and Boys Town Mayor, Amanda Martinez, proudly carried the torch through the Village of Boys Town, Neb., on its journey to Salt Lake City.

She held the torch and her head high as she jogged through the Village. Nearly every citizen, family and employee lined the streets as she passed. "It was very inspiring," Amanda said. "The theme was *light the fire within*, and you could see it in everyone who was there cheering, waving and smiling. It is something that will live forever in my mind."

Earlier that day, Girls and Boys Town citizens Enrique and Jennifer; Family-Teacher Amy Gross and girls' basketball coach Gina Feely were support runners for those who carried the torch through Nebraska City.



Amanda (left) shared her torchbearing experience with the young support runner



Monsignor Wegner congratulates Charles "Deacon" Jones

This wasn't Girls and Boys Town's first brush with Olympic history, however. Boys Town Alumnus Charles "Deacon" Jones was the first known former resident to participate in the Olympics. In the 1956 Games in Melbourne, Australia, Jones placed ninth in the finals of the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

Deacon came to Boys Town in 1948 from St. Paul, Minn. While a student at the Home, he was an all-around athlete. He won three letters each in football and track, two in basketball, and one in baseball. After he graduated from the Home in 1954 he attended the University of Iowa, where he was selected Iowa athlete of the year in 1958. After graduating from college, he joined the Chicago School System, recently retiring from his position as a guidance counselor.

Girls and Boys Town 22-year employee Lawrence Burton also competed in the Olympics. In the 1972 Summer Olympic Games, he missed the bronze in the 200-meter finals by only .07 of a second.

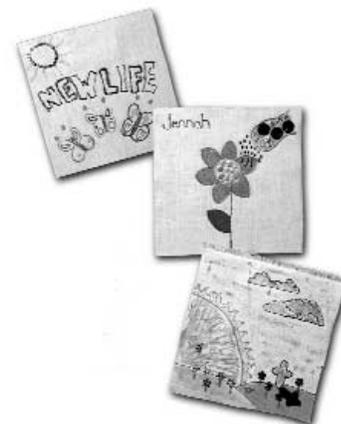
When the torch finally reached its destination, 11,500 people had carried it over 13,500 miles and across 46 states. Its journey began on December 4, 2001 in Atlanta and ended on February 8, 2002 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Easter Renewal Brings New Life to Quilt

The Girls and Boys Town youth have been looking forward to Easter since last summer. About 100 girls and boys participated in creating unique quilt panels with Easter and spring themes.

Some of the themes include: "Renewal is asking God to be with you!", "A caterpillar renews itself by becoming a butterfly" and "Father Flanagan's Boys Town brings Peace, Love and Happiness."

A Girls and Boys Town volunteer will carefully craft the quilt to be hung in the Hall of History at the Village of Boys Town.



Pictured above are some of the Easter quilt squares.

Where Are They Now?

Lisa Morehouse-Torres '89



Lisa, Jim and Emily Torres

Lisa Torres graduated from Girls and Boys Town in 1989. After leaving the Home she married Jim. They have two girls, Hanna and Emily. Lisa also enjoys a successful career as a cosmetologist.

When asked to reflect on her time here at the Home, she responded with a heart-felt, "Thank you". She remembers thinking that none of the social skills she was learning at the Home would ever be needed out in the real world. She says that she was sadly mistaken. In fact, she uses them everyday with her clients and family.

"The sense of family, independence and responsibility I learned while at Girls and Boys Town is with me still today," Lisa says "I cherish the relationships I made at Girls and Boys Town." She still keeps in contact with her Family-Teachers, the Sullivans, and her religion teacher, Kathy Sorensen. She says that these bonds will last a lifetime.

Lisa encourages all alumni "to be active in the Alumni Association because without involvement, it might one day be gone."

Russell Acosta '81

It has been 20 years since Russell Acosta, '81, graduated from Boys Town. He joined the Marine Corps in 1983 and has been in 20 different countries and five continents. He continues to do well in the U.S. Marines Corps and plans to retire in four years.

Presently, he serves as a First Sergeant stationed with the 1st Combat Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Calif. Jacquie, Russell's wife, cares for Jessica, 8, and Sammie, 2, in Murrieta, Calif.

Russell, says "If any alumni are ever in the Murrieta area, Jacquie makes an awesome barbecue."



(From left to right) Jessica, Jacquie, Sammie and Russell Acosta

Richard Tapio '67



Richard Tapio is the new Boys Town National Alumni Association Region IV Director. He came to the Home in November 1963. While here, Richard was involved in football and track. He was also an avid 4-H student. He graduated from the Home in 1967.

A year later Richard joined the navy and entered into his first of three tours of duty in the south pacific in Vietnam. After leaving active duty in 1972, Richard went to college at the University of Nebraska where he received his bachelor's degree.

Shortly after attending school, he began working for OSHA as a complainants officer. He moved up the ranks and is now the Director of the Office of Reinvention.

Richard was the first of three brothers to attend the Home. He has been happily married for 33 years after meeting his wife at a basketball game at Boys Town. Some of his fondest memories at the Home were standing on the hill and looking on to Dodge street with all the snow and Christmas lights. He sends his thanks to the alumni, "I am so thankful for getting this chance to give back to the Home. It changed my life forever."

*Father Flanagan's Easter
Reflections*



Edward Mach Wishes You and Yours a Joyous Easter - March 1922

April, 1929

James Clark Wins Easter Essay Contest

Unravels Story Briefly and With Style All His Own to Capture Prize

A STORY unraveled in a childish tone, yet revealing the facts with uncanny skill, won for James Clark the regular monthly essay writing contest conducted among the homeless boys at Father Flanagan's Boys Home. The boys wrote on "Easter."

Jimmie, in a clever style, told of Easter and its significance briefly but in an interesting manner. The judges hesitated none the least in awarding him the honor of first place.

Theodore Wilson and William Newton placed second and third places respectively. Both of these boys told of Easter but their writing was considered just a little too brief. Fourth place went to Warner Varilek

The boys have shown much in-

terest in the essay writing contest. Next month the subject will be "My Favorite Outdoor Sport and Why." This title should bring various articles dealing with a great number of open air activities.

Following are the winning "Easter" essays and names of their authors:

BY JAMES CLARK

A sudden thought of another Easter Sunday came to John's mind. The first on which he felt real Easter joy.

It was after the egg hunt and he had brought his treasures to the room where his mother was sitting by the open window. The sun was shining on her hair. She called the small boy to her.

"You are quite a big boy now John," she said, "almost six years old. I want to tell you a story ab-

out Easter, which you must never forget. It is because I have always loved that story so much that I call you John."

"On the first Easter morning many years ago, John, the disciple whom Jesus loved, was sad because of the death of his master. He did not know that he would rise gloriously from the tomb. While he and Peter were speaking together, Mary Magdalen came running to them saying: They have taken away the Lord from the sepulchre: and we know not where they have laid Him."

"At once the two disciples set out for the sepulchre. The young disciple outran Peter, but he would not enter before he who the master has chosen as his vicar. Then Peter came up and John followed

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him into the sepulchre. "Perhaps little John you do not quite understand what I tell you. But I think you will understand this, and you must always remember it: Our divine Lord granted such a great joy on the first Resurrection morn to the beloved John because he alone of all the disciples had stood at the foot of the cross."

BY THEODORE WILSON

Most children of today think that Easter was started by the rabbit bringing eggs to the good children, and look to Easter with the hope that the Easter Bunny will not forget them. However, there is a higher and better reason for us to rejoice at the Easter-time. All Christians are familiar with the tragedy of Good-Friday Christ's Death on the Cross at Calvary. But was it not followed by His glorious rising from the dead on Easter morning which proved to the world that He was God. This is the real cause of our joy and gladness.

The boys at the Home always enjoy their Easter vacation as well as the fun of hunting for the eggs around the lawns and grounds. The Bunny usually pays us a visit and brings eggs of all colors too.

BY WILLIAM NEWTON

Easter is a very happy day. All over this large earth may people rejoice. They like to get out and celebrate the day when Jesus Christ rose from the dead. After having spent three days in the depth of hell with the poor souls, He came back to earth again.

Angels announced the wonderful resurrection as they did the nativity. This occurrence was to give more faith to mankind and also to keep the promise "On the third day I will arise from the dead."

This day is celebrated in many different ways all over the world.

The Church rejoices with the Risen Savior, and it gives us all the hope and assurance that we are to rise on the last day. The children like it on account of the Easter eggs. In other ways it is kept by the people gathering on large mountains and greeting the "Easter Morn."

Easter is always welcomed by the boys at this Home. Every boy knows the meaning of the day and looks forward to it.

BY WARNER VARILEK

Easter! To millions of Christians the world over this word means much. It is a movable feast

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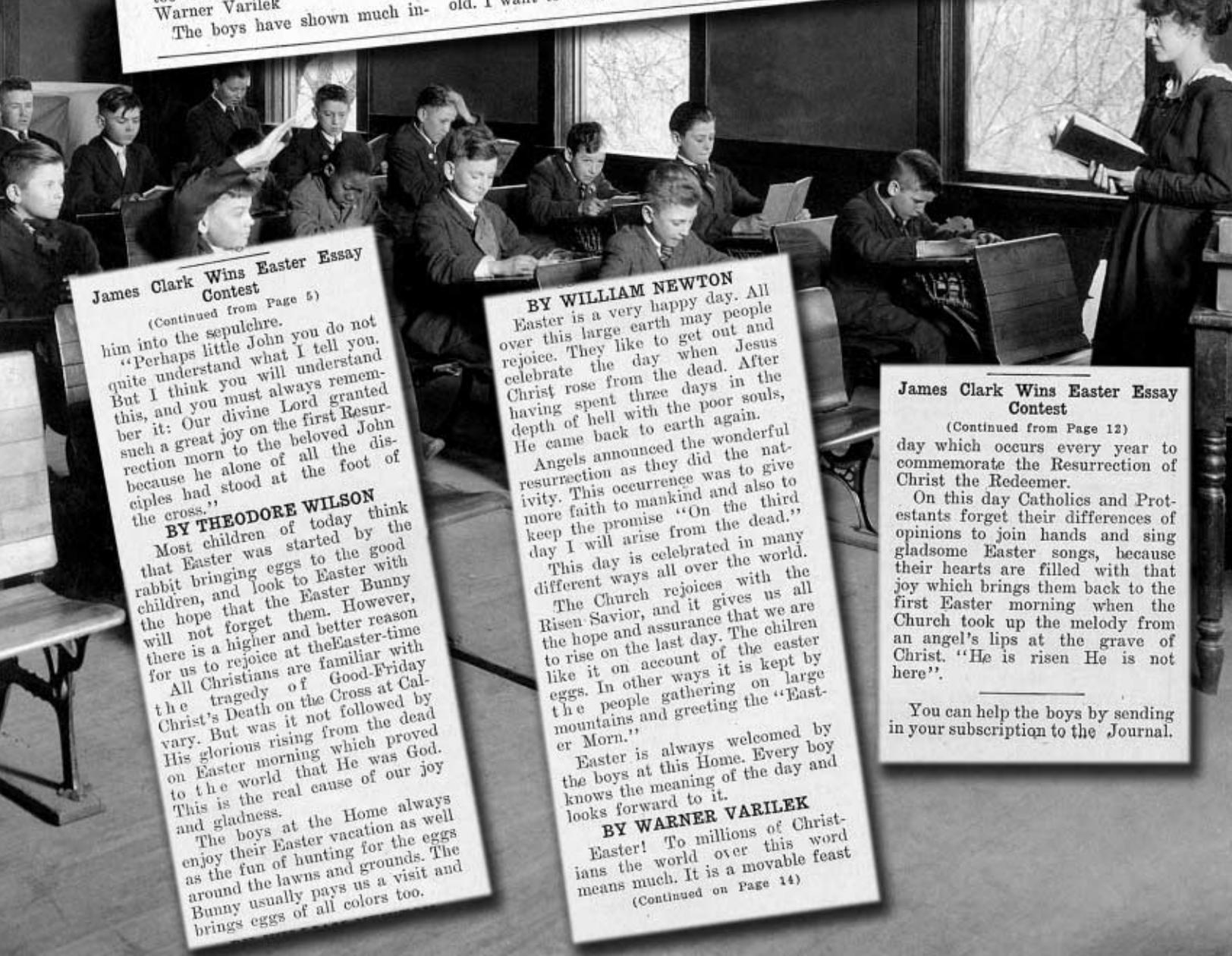
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day which occurs every year to commemorate the Resurrection of Christ the Redeemer.

On this day Catholics and Protestants forget their differences of opinions to join hands and sing gladsome Easter songs, because their hearts are filled with that joy which brings them back to the first Easter morning when the Church took up the melody from an angel's lips at the grave of Christ. "He is risen He is not here"

You can help the boys by sending in your subscription to the Journal.



A Tribute to Those Who Have Passed On

Arthur Haight '53

Arthur Haight, '53, former Boys Town National Alumni Association Board Member and Region V director, died August 29, 2001, in Altamonte Springs, Fla., after a short bout with cancer. Art served on the board of directors for nine years, one of the longest terms ever, and was well-known as a friend of alumni and the Home. Art was an outstanding husband and father. His wife Barbara, and three children Arthur, David and Susan, survive him.

Art served in the U.S. Army from 1954-57 and was stationed in the Far East with the Judge Advocate Corp and the A.S.A. From 1962-63 he worked as a graphic artist before becoming a partner in a public relations firm. He enrolled in Rollins College in 1969 and earned his bachelor's and master's degree in Education. In 1983, he earned a specialist degree in computers. Art also worked as a high school guidance counselor for 20 years. Public service was one of his passions, and he was a member of many service organizations including the N.E.A., Rotary Club, the Legion of Mary and the M.D.A.A. of Central Florida. Art was also the past secretary/treasurer of the Boys Town Alumni Association of Florida. We will all miss him.



Left to right Chet Plewa, former vocational center vice president; Art Haight; and Al Lalonde, region III BTNAA board director



Herbert Hjortsvang

Herbert Hjortsvang, a long time Boys Town faculty member, died on April 10, 2001. Born in Chicago, Herb spent his childhood in Illinois. He served three years in the U.S. Army Signal Corp during WWII; in the South Pacific Theatre in New Guinea; the Philippines; and finally as part of the Occupation Corps in post-war Japan.

He earned a master's degree in English from Creighton University and went to work in 1952 at Boys Town High School teaching English and Chemistry. He also served as the unpaid advisor of the Boys Town yearbook for fifteen years.

Herb was a railroad buff, and all the yearbooks were printed at Barnhart Press, which would sometimes give him books on railroad topics. He would

joke that it was his payment for being the Yearbook Advisor.

After leaving the High School, Herb worked many years as the assistant principal in the trade school at Boys Town, and then transferred to the Wegner Middle School where he was the principal until 1975. According to his wife, Alvina, Herb gave the best 23 years of his life to Boys Town. He had many fond recollections of the Home and his colleagues and believed that the years spent here were very special.

After leaving Boys Town, Herb worked five years as the administrator for the Masonic Eastern Star Home For Children in Fremont. He then worked for the Iowa Department of Human Services at the Glenwood Hospital. Herb is survived by his wife Alvina and two children, Barbara and Paul.

Remembering Our Brothers

Milton Juan, '57, died 12-27-01 in Sacaton, AZ

Dean Thomas, departed '47, died 8-15-99 in Garden Grove, CA

Jon C. Scott, '61, died 2-20-02 in Wilmington, DE

Edward T. Bourbeau, long-time employee, died 2-14-02 in Gillespie, IL

Boys Town Loses A Legendary Figure



Lester J. (Les) Dreifuerst died after a short illness on February 27, 2002, at age 85. He was born on July 23, 1916, in St. Cloud, Wis., where he grew up and attended school until he left for St. Lawrence College-Seminary at Mt. Calvary. Upon completion of his schooling he taught at the St. Charles Boys Home in Milwaukee, Wis. It was during this time that he began a lengthy correspondence with Father Flanagan, which eventually resulted in Les moving to Omaha and beginning his life's work in 1945.

Les had a long and successful career at Boys Town that spanned over six decades. He was a counselor and supervisor for many boys, manager of the Boys Town Gift Shop and accompanied the Boys Town Choir on a number of national tours. Many of the boys in his care continued to visit and correspond with him over the years. He particularly enjoyed the alumni conventions when so many of his former students would return to share their successes with him, and to thank him for the caring influence he had on their lives.

He performed jail ministry for 16 years, ministered to the elderly at the Elkhorn Manor, and served the Lord at daily Mass as lector and sacristan until his recent illness.

Girls and Boys Town Executive Director Father Val Peter says, "He was a common man of uncommon compassion for the least of God's little children. He spent his life carrying out Father Flanagan's mission in the most humble and unassuming manner. In a world marked by bombast and excess, Les Dreifurst distinguished himself through the practice of quiet, consistent, and unwavering faith in the Lord as he worked to help children. He will be missed by all." Les had great pride in Boys Town and the work he did for children. **In January 1987, Les sat down and wrote his remembrances of his dedicated years of service to Boys Town...**

"I have been in youth care work since 1941 in Wisconsin at St. Charles Boys' Home and the Fenwick Club. I came to Nebraska at Father Flanagan's request in 1943 and became a counselor, as Father Flanagan called us. I cared for teenage boys, 16 to 18 hours a day and six days a week for \$20 per week with room, board and laundry in the 40s. In the 50s and 60s we had 900 boys and depended on older boys to help as Commissioners and Councilmen. Changes came in the 70s with married couples and girls.

By 1974, I was taking care of the Visitor Center and welcoming the 80,000 visitors and friends who stop in. I retired from this in 1982, at age 65.

Since I was ordained a Permanent Deacon in 1981, I've been kept busy scheduling boys and girls for youth ministry at Dowd Chapel and training them as lectors, ushers and acolytes for the Sunday morning liturgy at 8, 9:15 and 10:30. I'm also involved in Jail Ministry and visit those men every Saturday.

Our alumni are one of the more pleasant aspects of this work. They frequently write or send cards and stop by to visit and reminisce about the "good old days." Many have died in the wars, accidents and from illnesses. Those of the 40s and 50s are retiring and are proud grandparents.

As in all work or jobs there are difficult days, but they are soon forgotten and my four decades at Father Flanagan's Boys' Home have been a joy for which I thank God daily."

Donia Temple

Long time Boys Town employee Donia Temple passed away on February 26, 2002. During World War II, Donia was taken from her home of Vinitza, Russia by the Nazi's and placed in a concentration camp. She remembered sitting naked in a Berlin train station while the Germans burned her clothing. She spent five years in the work camp.

After the war, Donia immigrated to America, "I had no reason to go back to Russia, all my family had been killed." Donia came to Boys Town in 1947, and worked for 36 years. She retired in 1983. For her first job at Boys Town, Donia worked on the farm providing food for the boys. Eventually she became the head of housekeeping for the Music Hall where many former boys remember her for her hard work.

As a skilled artist, she painted the life-size wooden figures of the Nativity displayed each Christmas time at the Music Hall. Donia also created many of the Music Hall's backdrops. After her retirement, Donia became a Sandan, or third degree judo black belt and taught self-defense lessons to fellow senior citizens. Donia loved teaching her judo classes, which she felt kept her young. "Everyone's going to die sometime, but why be in a hurry!" she said.



Return for a Very Special Homecoming Oct. 4-6



Hello to all my brothers and sisters in the Girls and Boys Town alumni family!

This year marks the beginning of a very special celebration for all of us and the place in our hearts that we call Home. Yes, Father Flanagan's dream ... Boys Town, turned into our life saving reality, celebrates it's 85th Anniversary this year.

The Boys Town National Alumni Association is commemorating this milestone with a special event. **Please mark your calendar and make plans for a special homecoming, Saturday, October 5 when we will formally present the Home with our gift of the life-size bronze statue of Father Flanagan and permanently place it in the spot chosen by alumni.** This statue is identical to the gift the association presented to the nation of Ireland last year in Father Flanagan's hometown in Ballymoe.

This event will also mark the formal recognition of the Sister City, or as the Irish call it, "Twinning," relationship that the alumni helped forge between the youth at Girls and Boys Town and the children in Ballymoe. We expect a delegation from Ireland to be on hand and hope you will attend, too! After all, this gift is being presented on behalf of the entire alumni family!

This weekend will be filled with more excitement as the Cowboys take on Valley High School at Boys Town High School Homecoming football game, Friday, October 4. Come and cheer on the mighty Cowboys. After the statue presentation on Saturday, the Omaha Chapter is holding an off-campus social. Enjoy the nice weather and see sites in Omaha that you seldom get the chance to enjoy during the national convention. On Sunday before returning home, make sure to attend Mass or Protestant services at the Home.

The statue project is being funded entirely by the sales of exact 18-inch replicas. We still have some left and we want these to be purchased by as many members of the alumni family as possible. Those purchasing these works of art, will have their names inscribed on two bronze plaques. One will be placed in Ballymoe and the other at Girls and Boys Town to recognize those individuals who made these gifts possible.

Get your statue site selection ballots in as soon as possible. Only members who have paid their dues are authorized to vote on where the statue will be placed on campus. Paid membership in the association has its privileges. It gives you a vote and a voice in the association and helps to build our relationship with the Home. If you haven't paid your annual dues, please do so now. Also, consider becoming a lifetime member. It's very cost effective and helps the association support worthy projects.

Watch your mailbox for the summer issue of the Alumni News. It will have a member and readership survey. Your association is committed to growing the size of our family, improving communications and ensuring that we represent your interests in America's most unique family.

Your Brother,

Steve Wolf '80

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Chapter News

Alumni Give to Homeless

The **Arizona Alumni Chapter** brought smiles to many faces this holiday season when they gave away over 3,000 pounds of ham to local homeless shelters. Along with the ham, the chapter also donated over 500 pounds of fish.

"It all started when I was looking for some boxes to put away my wife's knickknacks," said Jim Kinlen, Arizona Chapter president. He noticed that a local smoked ham shop was discarding hams. Jim talked to the assistant manager of the shop and asked if he could collect the ham and give it out to the local food shelters around the area.

The chapter contacted Father Joseph, a local pastor and told him what they wanted to do. Father Joseph offered his help by distributing the meat at the local shelter.

With the help of the many alumni volunteers, the hams were given to those in need, making the holiday season a special one for all involved. "This never could have been done without the help and cooperation of Lloyd Calvin of Honey Baked Hams, and all the hard work from volunteers," Jim said.

Alumnus Brightens Children's Holiday

Little did Bryan Burgess know that a simple phone call would brighten up his holiday season this year. The call came from Bill Reardon, director of the Girls and Boys Town of New England site located in Portsmouth, R.I., asking him to attend the 2001 Christmas celebration. He gladly accepted.

The night was filled with fun and laughs. About 100 people attended this special event, including 10 staff, about 30 parents and more than 60 children.

Bryan told the children stories of his days at the Village of Boys Town in Nebraska and showed them his Father Flanagan statue that he purchased last year.

The guest of honor, of course, was Santa Claus who came with a bag full of presents for all of the children. Accompanying Santa was a magician who performed mystical feats, closing out this night of magic.

"I was deeply moved by the whole evening and glad to see the love that was in the air," Bryan said.



Santa with children from Girls and Boys Town of New England



Msgr. Dunne Receives Gift

Standing beside Alumni Director Stan Struble, '68, is Msgr. Peter Dunne, holding Fr. Flanagan miniature statue number 48, commemorating the year of Fr. Flanagan's death.

The statuette is a gift to Fr. Dunne from twenty of his alumni admirers. Donations were solicited at the 2001 Alumni Convention picnic, and there was no shortage of volunteers. Stan holds an engraved plaque with the names of the statue's contributors.

What did Fr. Dunne have to say? "I'm speechless ... I just don't know what to say. It's just so wonderful!"

Dear Auxiliary:

Well, the December Newsletter is out. I hope all of you received it, but if not please email me at burgess@gso.uri.edu.



The Contest Winner was Florence Mitchell with the name "Auxiliary Messenger." Runners up were Ruby Fisher, and Frances Roybal.

Thank you ladies for your creative ideas. We need lifetime members; please come forward and be a part of this wonderful history.

To improve communications within the Auxiliary, I'm in the process of designing a Web site. Please feel free to contact me with any ideas.

As your President, I will be representing the Auxiliary at the Girls and Boys Town of New England site. I will be presenting the History of Father Flanagan and pictures of the statue dedication in Ireland last October.

God bless!
Sue Ann Burgess

Sue Ann Burgess
Auxiliary President

Contact the alumni office and let us know about you.

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