

# The Paduan

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## Editor Note

Special thanks and appreciation to John LaSalle ('62) for taking on the mammoth task of sending out the Sept 2008 Paduan Alumni Newsletter to the alumni with no access to computers and a list of about 60 plus alumni with potentially known addresses. It was a costly venture so please keep us updated with any changes in email or address. Future mailings will only be to the alumni we have actual confirmation on their address

## Reunion 2009

The reunion is planned for the weekend of August 14th to the 16th. The Class of 1959 will be celebrating their 50th while the kids from 1969 will be celebrating their 40th. Other milestones include the class of 1954's 50th and class of 1964's 45th.

## Visit the new improved website

The Webmaster has been hard at work upgrading the website. The website now includes videos from our days at Padua. To properly access the website you must block pop-ups in your browsers preferences. Also you will need to download adobe flash player at <http://www.adobe.com/>.

Clicking the Padua "P" will allow you access the main menu. The submenu's appear at the bottom of the screen. To return to the main menu click the Padua "P"

## JOE SREDZINSKI '62 NAMED CANON OF CATHEDRAL IN LUBLIN POLAND

The Rev. Joseph L. Sredzinski, Padua class of 1962 has been named a member of the Lublin, (Poland) Archdiocesan Cathedral Chapter with the title of Very Rev. Canon. He was so honored by his Excellency, the Most Rev. Joseph Zycinski the Archbishop of Lublin in July of 2007. In October 2007, at the John Paul II Center in Washington DC he was vested with the proper insignia and clerical attire. He was so honored for his long and dedicated service in support of Polish matters both religious and cultural.

Joe is a founder and national officer of the Polish American Priests Association and has served as the National Chaplain of the Polish Falcons since 1981. He has served the Diocese of Greensburg, PA since his ordination in 1970 as pastor of St Stanislaus in Calumet, St. Joseph's in Everson and most recently at St. Hubert's in Point Marion. He currently is assigned to St. Emma Monastery and Retreat House in Greensburg as chaplain, as well serving as chaplain for a local nursing home and state prison.

Joe was born the oldest of 6 children and raised at Balsinger Crossing, a small rural community outside of Uniontown, PA. He received his early training at St. Joseph's in Uniontown and attended Padua from 1958-62. While at 'the high' he was active in theater, oratory, and both the Paduan where he was Creative Ideas Editor and as editor of the Siquaris. His name was regularly noted on the Honor Roll. He was also one of Bro. Vincent's assistant cooks along with his fellow classmates, the late Tom Martin.

Upon graduation he attended both St Mary's College and the seminary in Orchard Lake and was ordained in May of 1970. He was also selected by the Bishop to continue advanced theological studies at North American College in Rome. He received his Master of Divinity degree in 1976.

Joe enjoys gardening at the old family homestead, reading, teaching, skiing (a la PJ II) and regular trips to Poland and Europe. Congratulations Rev. Canon Joseph L. Sredzinski!



## Class Notes

### Class of '55

Ed McDonnell-Retired after 37 years at Eastman Kodak and Ed and wife JoAnn have been married 41 years and have 2 children and two grandchildren.

### Class of '57

Ralph Hoylst- Retired Senior Representative for Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. Special Assignment Specialist for United States Federal Government. Married to Mary-Ann for 39 years before she passed away in 2001. Together they had four children: Margaret Holyst Hill, M.D; Ralph F Holyst Jr., CPA & arbitrator; Kurt John Holyst, Landscape Architect; Jody Holyst Farris Esq, Trial Attorney & former Judge. After moving to Gilbert, AZ full time in 1993, Ralph currently lives in Scottsdale, AZ with his Fiance' Jacqueline Bourrie, enjoying the fabulous weather of Arizona, especially the summers, basking in the sun.

### Class of '58

Terrence Mark- Retired after 33 years as an English teacher at Franklinville Central School (Franklinville, NY). Terrence and wife Judy reside in Olean NY. Terrence and wife Judy attended the 2008 Reunion where he and 7 other classmates celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup>

### Class of 59.

John Strychasz

I recently retired from the VA Hospital in Buffalo, New York as a psychiatric social worker.

I still continue my part-time private practice and have been recently hired part-time by Catholic Charities in their mental health unit. I married my wife Nancy 40 years ago this June.

We have three children: Jennifer, Amy and Jonathan and 5 grandchildren: Avery, Lucca, Easton, Mateo and Dominic.

God has been very good to me and my family. I live in Tonawanda, New York and continue my volunteer work with a Boy Scout Troop, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and a soup kitchen. I enjoy fishing, gardening and reading.

### Class of 1960

Raymond (Malolepszy) Maly After college he worked in the newspaper business and in September 2007 retired as Vice President/Production Manager at The Times-Picayune newspaper in New Orleans, La. He worked at newspapers in Ithaca NY, St Louis Mo. and Vancouver Wa before retiring in New Orleans.

After retirement he moved back to Vancouver Washington with his wife Sue to be closer to their two children and three grandchildren.

Classmates might be interested to know that in 2005 while he was working at The Times-Picayune newspaper in New Orleans, during Hurricane Katrina, employees won a Pulitzer Prize for Community Service. Something he was very honored to have received while working in some very difficult situations.

### Class of 67

Chris Franzese and wife Angeline own the [Villager Motel](#) in Watkins Glen

They have 4 daughters. Oldest daughter Christine is an ears, nose and throat surgeon at the University of Mississippi and also head of their Clinic at the VA hospital on campus. She Has added granddaughters who are 1 and 3 years old.( Catherine and Christine). Daughter Helen is an attorney working in London England for The Riker Danzig firm located in NJ. and London. She has given us 2 grand kids Isadora 7 and Aidan 5 and our newest grand daughter will be born in November in London. Daughter Blanche is a dentist working near Buffalo who just married last May. The youngest daughter Angie is 22 and working in our office and going to CCC.

### Post 1970

Charles Hawalka The school closed down after my Sophomore year. Then transferred to Saint Francis in Athol Springs, New York. The closing of Padua really broke my heart.

Too this day, I still visit, hunt, and fish in and around Watkins Glen, I have many friends in town, almost like family. I currently live in New Jersey and was a boarder at

## In Memory

Joe McDonnell '53- 12/21/2004. Joe was a retired Army Colonel .

Fr. John Stryzewski- 9/08 Classmate post graduate friend from the class of 1957.



### **George (Edward) Dubowski OFM 1915-2008**

Excerpts from Provincial Newsletter No. 86

Edward Dubowski was born in Gary, Indiana on July 11, 1915 where he attended

St. Hedwig elementary school. He began his secondary education on a scholarship from Holy Cross Seminary, Notre Dame, Indiana in 1929. Speaking only his native Polish tongue, he learned English from his Irish classmates – with a bit of an Irish accent. Intending to pursue studies for the priesthood, the Depression and depletion of his two-year scholarship nearly made this impossible. However, his family was able to manage the tuition at St. Bonaventure High School & Minor Seminary, in Sturtevant, Wisconsin, operated by the Franciscans. He graduated in 1933 and in the fall entered the novitiate in Pulaski, Wisconsin with the Franciscans of the Assumption BVM Province where he was invested with the habit and given the name “George.” Following the year of novitiate, George began the study of philosophy at St.

Francis College & Friary in Burlington, Wisconsin. Making solemn profession of vows in 1937 and graduating a year later, he studied theology at Lourdes Seminary in Cedar Lake, Indiana. After completing the last two years of his theology program at St. Mary of the Angels Seminary in Green Bay, Wisconsin, he was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Paul Rhode on June 26, 1941.

His first assignment, in 1942, was to the faculty of his alma mater in Sturtevant, Wisconsin. While teaching here over the next five years, George earned, during the summers, a Master’s degree in Modern European History at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. In 1949, he was transferred to the faculty of the province’s newly-acquired St. Anthony of Padua H.S. in Watkins Glen, New York. During his five years at St. Anthony’s, George pondered the call to the foreign missions in the Philippine Islands. In 1952, the province committed men and resources to the people of Samar where the need was extremely great. There, already established, was Christ the King College and High School with over 700 students. Furthermore, it had 15,000 native Catholics to one priest. George, with friar Humphrey Tobias, became the third and fourth members of the province to come to Samar, the poorest island in the archipelago. In his seven years in the islands, George served as professor at Christ the King College, director of aspirants, superior of the mission (1957-60) and principal of St. Anthony H.S. in Daraga, Luzon (1960-61). In 1961 George returned to the states where he served in a variety of assignments. He passed away peacefully at St. Mary’s Home on Wednesday, November 15, 2008 around 1:10 AM, in his 93<sup>rd</sup> year of his life, the 74<sup>th</sup> of his religious profession and the 67<sup>h</sup> of his priesthood.

### Things to do when Visiting Watkins Glen

by John Mielnik

How far and how much will it cost to Drive to [Watkins Glen](#)?

Yes the [Glen](#) is still there and open.

Museums: [Corning Museum of Glass](#), [Glenn Curtiss Museum](#)

Cruises: [Captain Bill's Seneca Cruises](#), [Seneca Day Sails](#) , [Esperanza Rose](#)

Shopping: [The Windmill](#), [Waterloo Premium Outlets](#), Waterloo Market Street – Corning

Places to Dine: [Castle Grisch](#) ; [Edgar’s in Belhurst Castle](#) ; [Seneca Harbor Station](#)

Places to Stay: [Villager Motel](#) , [Idlwilde Inn](#), [Glen Harbor Hotel](#), [Longhouse Lodge](#)

A limited number of embroidered Padua Prep caps in brown or olive are also available for \$15. Please check with [paduans@mac.com](mailto:paduans@mac.com) for color and availability, before ordering. Also available is the embroidery designs that were digitized and can easily create more Padua articles (caps or whatever).



## Mother's Day

One of the highlites of the year was Mother's Day. Around this time each year we would be in full preparation for this special event to honor our Mothers. The following list was found on the internet. How many of the following items listed below can we fondly associate with our Mom.

### 25 REASONS WHY I OWE MY MOTHER

1. My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE.  
'If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning.'
2. My mother taught me RELIGION.  
'You better pray that will come out of the carpet.'
3. My mother taught me about TIME TRAVEL.  
'If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!'
4. My mother taught me LOGIC.  
'Because I said so, that's why.'
5. My mother taught me MORE LOGIC.  
'If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me.'
6. My mother taught me FORESIGHT.  
'Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident.'
7. My mother taught me IRONY  
'Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about.'
8. My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS.

- 'Shut your mouth and eat your supper.'
9. My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM.  
'Will you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!'
10. My mother taught me about STAMINA.  
'You'll sit there until all that broccoli is gone.'
11. My mother taught me about WEATHER.  
'This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it.'
12. My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY.  
'If I told you once, I've told you a million times. Don't exaggerate!'
13. My mother taught me the CIRCLE OF LIFE.  
'I brought you into this world, and I can take you out.'
14. My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION.  
'Stop acting like your father!'
15. My mother taught me about ENVY.  
'There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do.'
16. My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION.  
'Just wait until we get home.'
17. My mother taught me about RECEIVING.  
'You are going to get it when you get home!'
18. My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE.  
'If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to freeze that way.'
19. My mother taught me ESP.  
'Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you are cold?'
20. My mother taught me HUMOR.  
'When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me.'
21. My mother taught me HOW TO BECOME AN ADULT.  
'If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up.'
22. My mother taught me GENETICS.  
'You're like your father.'
23. My mother taught me about my ROOTS.  
'Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?'
24. My mother taught me WISDOM.  
'When you get to be my age, you'll understand.'
25. And the favorite: My mother taught me about JUSTICE.  
'One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you!'

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Preliminary Agenda  
 Class of 1959 Reunion Weekend  
 August 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>

Friday:

- Check-in for Reunion Activities – updated schedule 12:00p.m. to 5:30p.m. Longhouse Lodge Motel – Manor House  
 Route 14 (3 miles North of Watkins Glen)  
  
 Watkins Glen , NY. 14891 (607-535-2565) (3 rooms still open in Longhouse Manor – other rooms available at Motel section of Longhouse)
- Dinner 6:30p.m. Castel Grisch (winery – German food) Tom Malina class of 1966  
 Castel Grisch Winery & Restaurant  
  
 3380 County Route 28  
  
 Watkins Glen, N.Y. 14891 (607-535-9614)
- Manor House – memories, catching-up, snacks and refreshments

Saturday:

- Manor House – 8:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. living room and veranda – coffee and
- Optional - visit Downtown Watkins Glen, visit wineries along Lake Seneca shoreline, Lake Seneca Cruises, tour Watkins Glen State Park (Gorge/ Pavillon)
- Manor House – lunch at 12:00p.m.
- Manor House – Status from closure to current situation - Fr Austin
- Tour current property- former Padua Prep landscape – Paduan Alumni Convoy
- Mass at St Mary's of the Lake Catholic Church at 5:30p.m. (Fr Austin)  
 905 North Decatur Street Watkins Glen , N.Y. 14891 (607-535-2786)
- Dinner at 6:30p.m. at the Glen Motor Inn  
 Route 14 (1 mile North of Watkins Glen ) (607-535-2706)
- Manor House – more memories, more catching-up, snacks and refreshments

Sunday:

- Manor House – departure 8:00pm to 11:00pm

Please return bottom portion to Tom Malina : ( If you are having a hard time finding rooms, email Tom Malina ([tmmwine@aol.com](mailto:tmmwine@aol.com)) he will do what he can to help you)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of guests \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 per person (covers meals, refreshments, snacks)

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