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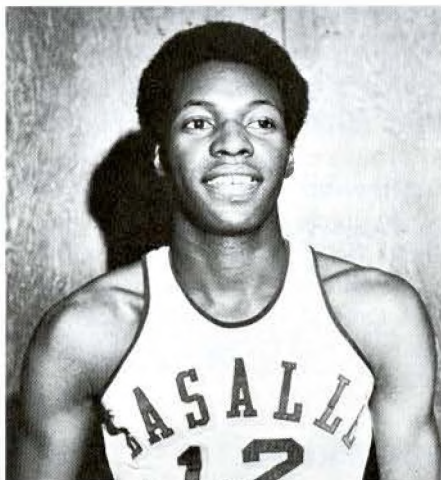
April, 1979

Class Reunion Season To See

## BAHR, TAYLOR, WILLIAMS IN "HALL"



Roland Taylor



Bernie Williams

In split ceremonies this year the Alumni Association will induct two members of the outstanding 1969 basketball team and a versatile athlete from the '30's into the Alumni Hall of Athletes, it was announced by Alumni President Richard H. Becker, '50.

Ray Bahr, '35, will be inducted post-humously at the Homecoming dinner on April 21 when the Classes of '39, '40, '41 and '49 will be returning to campus under the newly adopted Dix plan for class reunions.

Bahr, a man for all seasons, is remembered as an outstanding half back on the football squad who also excelled in basketball and threw the javelin and discus for the track and field team. The award will be accepted on behalf of the family by Bahr's son, Raymond, Jr.

On April 28 when the Class of '69 meets for their tenth anniversary reunion, along with the Classes of '74 and '75, Bernard Williams and Roland Taylor, both of the '69 class, will be honored by induction into the Hall.

These two were key members of the 1969 team which posted a 23-1 record, and which is considered by many to have been the greatest squad ever to represent the College. Team mates Ken Durrett, '71 and Larry Cannon, '69 have been inducted previously.

Williams, an outstanding shooter, played three seasons and scored 1,230 points, averaging 16.6 points per game. He played several years in the National Basketball Association before being sidelined with injuries.

Taylor was the playmaking guard on the 1968 and 1969 teams. In those two seasons he scored 464 points and handed off 169 assists. He subsequently played eight seasons in the N.B.A., retiring last year from the Denver Nuggets.

Bernie Williams and Roland Taylor were ranked 9th and 11th respectively in the recent alumni balloting for an all-time all-La Salle basketball team.

This year's Hall of Athletes Selection Committee was chaired by Kenneth G. Hager, '58. Their recommendations were

unanimously endorsed by the Alumni Board of Directors.

For those wishing to attend the Homecoming dinner-dance on April 21, tickets are \$16.00 per person and may be secured by contacting the Alumni Office (951-1535). The admission price includes the cocktail hour at 7:00 p.m. in the College Union, followed by dinner at 8:00 p.m. in the Ballroom. Drinks after dinner will be on a cash basis. Music will be provided by Harry Murray's band.

On April 28 a buffet dinner at 8:00 p.m. will be preceded by the usual cocktail hour. The \$15.00 per person charge includes cocktails, dinner and open bar after dinner until 1:00 a.m. "Daddy Licks" will provide the dance music. Necessary reservations should be made through the Alumni Office.

The twentieth anniversary Class of '59 and the Classes of '64 and '65 will hold a combined reunion dinner on campus following individual cocktail parties at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, May 5. The per person charge for cocktails and



a sit-down dinner at 8:00 p.m. is \$16.00. A cash bar at reasonable prices will be available after dinner along with dance music by the Bill Garton Quartet until 1:00 a.m.

The Class of '54 will celebrate its silver anniversary on May 19 with a dinner dance in the College Union. The familiar format will prevail: cocktails at 7:00 p.m., dinner at 8:00 p.m. (\$18.00), cash bar after dinner with dancing until 1:00 a.m. to music provided by the Art Smith band. As in the case of all reunions, information and reservations will be available at the Alumni Office.

### EXPLORERS TO GOLF

The Explorer Club will sponsor its second annual golf outing on Friday, May 11. Melrose Country Club in Cheltenham again will be the site and the format will be the same as last year's highly successful event.

Luncheon will be served from 11:30 a.m. with the "shotgun" start for golf scheduled for 1:00 p.m. Tennis buffs will have the use of the Club's courts all afternoon.

The afternoon will conclude with a clam, oyster and cocktail bar; then dinner and the awarding of prizes.

Prompt action is urged because reservations are limited, will be on a "first come - first served" basis and will not be accepted after April 15.

The day's activities, meals, cocktails, greens fee, golf carts and refreshments on the course, are all included in the \$50.00 fee.

### PICNIC AT THE VET

The Downtown Club will swing into Spring with an outing to Veterans Stadium on Tuesday, May 22, 1979, when the Phillies will engage the St. Louis Cardinals at 7:35 p.m.

Wicker baskets of goodies will be in order because the picnic area has been secured for this event. Tickets are \$7.00 each and may be purchased through the Alumni Office. Tickets are limited, however, and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Call 951-1535 or mail checks, payable to La Salle College to the Alumni Office.

### ON THE RIVER

The Gradu-eights La Salle have announced the annual alumni row (vs. the varsity)

on Sunday, April 22 at 1:00 p.m. They will row out of Malta Boat House and refreshments will be served afterwards on the side lawn.

On Dad Vail Day, May 12, the Gradu-eights will have a tent at the 500 meter mark as an official meeting place for members and friends who wish to cheer on the Explorer crew as they row to "Dad Vail Gold."

### MUSIC THEATRE

Attention, theatre-goers! The classic tale of West Side Story and the fantastic Wonderful Town have been selected as the 1979 Music Theatre productions.

In announcing the Summer shows, Brother Gene Graham, Music Theatre Producer/Director, stated that this year a Sunday matinee will be inaugurated. A pre-show buffet dinner in the on-campus Carousel Room will again be available. Dinner will be open to groups on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday for individual patrons.

West Side Story will light-up the theatre from June 13 to July 15, and Wonderful Town will continue the season from July 25 to August 26.

For additional information and prices, please call Ruth Worthington at 951-1410. Music Theatre promises a sizzling season for Summer, so make reservations now!



*The late Brother Damian Connelly, F.S.C., was memorialized by the dedication of a plaque on the new quadrangle between McShain and Benilde Halls.*



*Brother Damian Connelly*



## 116th COMMENCEMENT

Pennsylvania's Governor, two U.S. Congressmen, and the President of Manhattan College will be honored at the college's 116th commencement at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, May 13, at Philadelphia's Civic Center-Convention Hall.

Receiving honorary degrees will be Pennsylvania Governor Richard Thornburgh, U.S. Representatives (from Philadelphia) Charles F. Dougherty (Fourth District) and Rev. William H. Gray, III (Second District), and Brother Stephen Sullivan, F.S.C., S.T.D., president of Manhattan College.

Brother President Patrick Ellis, F.S.C., Ph. D. will confer bachelor's degrees on 973 men and women including 204 Evening Division students. Another dozen students will receive master's degrees in religion.

La Salle's annual Baccalaureate Mass will be held at 3:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 12, at the Cathedral Basilica of S.S. Peter and Paul.

## WESTHEAD'S CAMP

Coach Paul Westhead's basketball camp will be held August 19 through 24 at Camp Canadensis in the Pocono Mountains for boys aged 8 to 18 years.

The tuition is \$150 per camper, with family rates available. For further information call (215) 449-8635.



*The 1969 team (23-1) met at a dinner for alumni and friends at the Engineers Club on February 10 before their "old timers" game with Temple's '69 N.I.T. championship team played at the Palestra prior to the Big 5 varsity game.*

*Pictured (l. to r.) are: Bob Walters, Assistant Coach Lefty Ervin, Larry Cannon, Stan Włodarczyk, Bernie Williams, Bob Walsh, Charlie Reynolds (Manager), Joe Markmann, Greg Cannon, Ed Szczesny, Roland, Taylor, Ken Durrett, Stan Witalec, and Fran Dunphy.*

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Scarsdale, New York

To the Editor:

Your basketball article in the January-February issue was well done and very interesting.

However, all the top 10 players named in the gallery of star players represented classes graduated from La Salle in the 50's, 60's and 70's. These 10 therefore are from about half the years of La Salle's basketball history. No players in the 10 were from classes of the First Half: the 20's, 30's and 40's.

The lopsided voting for La Salle's latter half of basketball history is not surprising. Also, the fine players named in your 10 deserved every vote they got.

But, labeling this your "All Time" team seems unfair, since so relatively few voters saw the skills of the many fine athletes who wore the La Salle uniform in those first three decades.

Major oversights in the voting included Frank Hoerst and Charles McGlone of the 30's. Frank, Charlie and other superb early players, who helped defeat top teams of the nation and including some La Salle players who received All-America honorable mentions, strongly merit your recognition in a future issue.

I have a suggestion. Philadelphia Library microfilms of newspaper sport pages (Bulletin, Record, Ledger, Inquirer) record the All-City college teams selected an-

nually by sports writers of those eras. Please list those La Salle players. At the very least, you might list all early players who received votes in your alumni poll, and then invite older alumni to name others omitted.

Finally, a combined squad on which you would represent players from all La Salle decades would present a valid "All Time" team.

Sincerely,

John L. Mc Hale, '49

*Since 80% of them were graduated after 1960 we thought our alumni showed great perception in considering the records of those whom many of them probably had never seen.*

*In fairness to some outstanding athletes who wore the blue and gold, here are the men who made up the third team of ten in the balloting: Charlie McGlone, '40, Frank Hoerst, '39, Ray Bahr, '35 (who will be inducted posthumously into the Hall of Athletes on April 21), Joe Meehan, '35, Clem Meehan, '35, Charlie Mosaicant, '35, Frank O'Hara, '54, Jackie Moore, '53, Fred Lehle, '53, and Stan Włodarczyk, '69.*

*Others who received more than token support were: George Paul, '68, Bill Ruffery, '63, Tom Carroll, '40, Bob McAteer, '62, Frank Comerford, '50, John Brnich, '41, and Alonzo Lewis, '57.*

— ED.

## ALUMNI CALENDAR

HOMEcomings, REUNION OF THE CLASSES OF '39, '40, '41 and '49	APRIL 21
REUNION DINNER DANCE, CLASSES OF '69, '74, '75	APRIL 28
REUNION DINNER DANCE, CLASSES OF '59, '64, '65	MAY 5
ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING	MAY 9
EXPLORER CLUB GOLF OUTING	MAY 11
BACCALAUREATE MASS	MAY 12
COMMENCEMENT	MAY 13
REUNION DINNER DANCE, CLASS OF '54	MAY 19
DOWNTOWN CLUB AT THE PHILLIES	MAY 22

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