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Ray Schambach

Love Keep Boys Home Going

(Editor's Note: Raymond Schambach (Class of '74), operates a home for small boys in Bogota, Colombia, South America. Schambach's private orphanage is a place where the password is love.)

At the age of 25, Ray Schambach has been father to 17 boys for over three years. While not being brothers in the true sense, the children, ranging up from age four, are just like brothers.

Schambach, son of a North American businessman, Roland Schambach and a Cali woman, Maria, came to Colombia as a tot. He grew up in Cali, later moving to Bogota. He followed his older brother, Robert, and enrolled as a student at Belmont Abbey College. His younger brother, Richard, is also an alumnus. Ray Schambach, while at the Abbey, was a formidable soccer player and member of the swimming team.

After graduate, Schambach wanted to get involved and help eradicate his country of social injustices, poverty and homeless children. He began work with an established orphanage. After some time, the orphanage's license was revoked, and the children were left homeless. Schambach decided to start his own orphanage.

"My place isn't an institution," he said. "I hate institutions. This is a family." Twelve of the children came from the original orphanage, and the remainder were sent from hospitals and broken homes.

The children study all day, coming home for lunch. While the boys are in school, Schambach works mornings at a nearby university to support his "family." In the afternoon, he takes courses in biology at the university. "I even manage to find time to study for my classes. But it's not easy," he adds.

His parents, who originally opposed his taking on so much responsibility so young in life, are now enthusiastic supporters, helping both morally and financially. The boys pitch in, too. They wash cars for 10 pesos each; they manufacture Christmas cards in season, which are made from dried flowers and other natural objects.

In addition to helping to produce revenue, each boy has his daily duties: taking out garbage, sweeping, and cleaning. Food at the house is simple and nutritious. For breakfast, there is corn mazamorra with milk and chocolate. Lunch is usually soup, potatoes, and two types of vegetables. Supper is rice, beans, and greens. There is always plenty of milk. He uses very little meat, and he uses instead soybean substitutes. The children all know how to bake breads and cakes.

Fr. Oscar Burnett, O.S.B., director of Campus Ministry at the

Abbey, late last semester conducted a campus-wide clothing drive for Schambach's orphanage. A large quantity of clothes was sent to Schambach to help clothe his children. Aid such as this helps Schambach and his charges survive.

Sometimes, the going is tough. Many of the children need some form of medical attention, and the doctor who had been donating his services recently died. "Sometimes, it all seems as if it's falling apart, but things always seem to come out right at the last minute. God always helps me find a way," he declares.

The children pray before each meal and must attend church. They can only watch television on weekends. Besides these few rules, the only other "rule" that exists at Ray Schambach's house is love.

A letter from his parents

(Editor's Note: The following is a letter written by Mr. and Mrs. Roland Schambach, parents of Abbey alumnus Raymond Schambach, to Fr. John P. Bradley, President of Belmont Abbey College.)

Bogota January 28, 1977

Father Bradley
Belmont Abbey College
Belmont, North Carolina

Very Dear Father Bradley,

Now that our last son, Randy, has left Belmont Abbey, I must follow the impulse of writing you, who represent "The Abbey," to thank all of you for all the hours you people devoted to our sons. Roland and I want to show our deep gratitude for making of our sons human citizens of the world.

We praise the Abbey for teaching its students that the measuring rod for success is other than the "dollar sign meter." Even if there are disappointments in your results, I know that there are many which overcloud these.

I am enclosing an article that came out in November, in our "North American Chronicle," because I feel that you will also share our happiness in the work that God has given us.

We wish you continued success in your arduous, presevering task. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Roland and Maria Schambach

"Spotlight" on new faculty

Belmont Abbey College welcomes six new members to the fultime instructional faculty for the academic year of 1977-78. "('rossroads'' would like to introduce them to our readers.

DR. RUSSELL FOWLER, assistant professor in the department of English, is a native of Texas. He received the A.B. degree in English with honors at the University of Texas. He then moved to the University of Indiana to take the Master's degree, and next accepted an offer as a teaching associate at the University of Minnesota where he completed his Ph.D. work. Dr. Fowler was awarded the honor of a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship and also received an N.D.E.A. Title IV fellowship. He taught literature at Queens College, CUNY, for several years and has published several articles and poems. He comes to Belmont Abbey with the commendation of Dr. Alan Weinblatt of Boston College, the National Endowment for the Humanities consultant to the English department.

MRS. CAROL GRAHAM HARKEY, instructor in the department of Economics and Business Administration, did her undergraduate work in English at Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C. and was graduated with honors. She also received a teacher's certificate which she put to use for a year and a half in high school before deciding to enter the world of business with the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of N.C. In 1976 she enrolled in the graduate school of business at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and has now completed the Master's degree in business administration. Mrs. Harkey will fill the position which Mr. Harold Lawber has relinquished in order to return to graduate studies at the University of Connecticut.

MR. GEORGE KENNEDY, instructor in the department of Mathematics and coach of soccer, is a graduate of St. Leo's College in Florida where he took the B.S. in mathematics. He then earned the Master of Arts in Teaching mathematics at Jacksonville University. For the past ten years he has been a teacher of mathematics and coach of both swimming and soccer at Bishop

Kenny High in Jacksonville. He holds the "A" license from the United States Federation of Coaching and has been awarded the "National Soccer Coach of the Year" by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association. Mr. Kennedy will be not only a needed addition to the mathematics department but will also have the challenging task of continuing the highly successful soccer program which Mr. Stanley Dudko developed for a decade.

DR. MONICA MINTON, assistant professor in the department of Chemistry, has the B.S. degree cum laude from Nazareth College of Rochester, N.Y. She held a teaching fellowship at Fordham University where she earned the Ph.D. in physical chemistry. She was a research associate for a year at Imperial College in London, England. For a number of years she has taught both in high school and in college. She has also received National Science Foundations grants for research work. Dr. Minton will teach the courses formerly given by Dr. Winslow Hartford who has now retired and who will conduct only the course in "Man and His Environment."

DR. JOHN TATSCHL, assistant professor in the department of biology, comes to us from Kansas. He has both the Bachelor and Master's degree in science from the University of New Mexico at Ålbuquerque. He did his work for the Ph.D. at Kansas State University where he was a graduate teaching assistant and more recently an instructor. He has been involved in several field research projects in biology and has ornithology as a special area of study. He will bring valuable teaching experience to the post vacated by Dr. James Jackson.

MR. LAWRENCE WALSH, Instructor in the department of Sociology, was awarded his A.B. in sociology from Fordham University. He has the M.A. from the Catholic University of America where he is at present a Ph.D. candidate. He has also earned a M.A. in theology. He has taught in high school and as a lecturer in sociology at colleges in the Washington, D.C. area. He has had experience as a research associate with C.A.R.A. and in correctional work. His particular interests are in the areas of health and criminology.

Farley
gets award

From
West Coast
Defense
Depot

Dr. Gilbert J. Farley, former chairman of the Department of Economics and Business at Belmont Abbey College, was recently awarded a certificate of appreciation by Navy Capt. G. I. Chegin, commander of Defense Depot Tracy in Tracy, Calif.

Defense Depot Tracy, a field activity of the Defense Logistics Agency, supplies common consumable items to Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps bases in the western U. S. and the Pacific overseas area.

Farley spent two days viewing operations at the military base. On the second day of his visit, he addressed the base commander and his staff on a variety of educational topics including Belmont Abbey College's unique undergraduate degree program in distribution management.