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ST. PATRICK HAILED--IN SPITE OF RAIN

It was a soaking wet night in San Diego, March 15th. But it couldn't dampen the bright Irish spirits who were looking for a whopping good St. Paddy's Day party. And that's just what Council OMC 9776 produced. Here's how we did it:

Publicity

Our Pastor-Chaplain, Msgr. Donal C. Sheahan, planted articles in the OMC Parish bulletin. Then, on the weekend before the party, he inserted an eye-catching green flier that drew enough responses to enable us to meet our optimistic quota: 200 reservations.

Tickets

Bob Warner supervised the ticket sales. His crews were present before and after all the Masses on the two weekends before the party. Then, on the night of the party, he greeted everyone as they entered the hall, making them feel welcome the moment they walked in.

Setup

On Friday morning, GK Ray Flynn and George Uberti set up tables and chairs in the parish hall--enough to accommodate 200 diners.

Decorations

Eleanore Clavet was called upon, once again, to honcho the decorating of the tables. Mary Flynn and Eleanore drove all over San Diego, looking for appropriate Irish decorations. The kudos they received for their results made their efforts all worthwhile. They were helped by Al Hovde, Dan and Eileen Craig, and Ray Flynn II and his son Steve.



John Walsh brought along his family of Irish elves, leprechauns, gnomes, etc. Andy Kenesie helped him embellish the walls with them.

Balloons

John Walsh provided green balloons and a tank of helium gas. Al Hovde and John blew them up, and Andy Kenesie and Bernie C. affixed them to the tables.

Liquid Libations

Jack Cassidy obtained the piece of paper that made our bar sales legal. Ed Kuenster procured and served the spirits and soft drinks. He was assisted by Ray and Mary Flynn.

No Tickee, No Drinkie

Ray Flynn II sold tickets to the patrons, with which they were able to obtain spirited drinks from the bar. He was assisted by Mary Flynn, Earl Gray, and Tom Walters.

50/50 Tickets

Earl Gray sold tickets for the 50/50 drawing, at \$1.00 each, \$5.00 per arm. He collected over \$300.00, half of which went to the winner, Mike Russell, and half to our Council.

Party Pics

Tom Walters recorded the event for posterity. His pictures appear somewhere herein. Tom also helped out wherever needed during the evening.

Music

Sam Verneti and The Weekenders provided the music for dancing. They also accompanied the:

Singalong

Dan Craig "borrowed" an Irish Songbook from the Mariner Club. Thanks to Tom Walters and his Canon Copier, we were able to provide enough copies to go around. The singalong was led by the following warblers from the OMC parish choir:

Teresa Carosella	Jim Neville
Ann Lopez	Susanna Pastell
Jackie Lopez	John Rodosevick
Joellyn Michaels	Tim Smith



Irish Dancers

Eileen Craig provided the highlight of the evening. She invited and introduced the Pride of Erin Caeli Dancers. (The Irish "caeli" and the Scottish "caelidh" are pronounced "cayly" and denote a get-together, a dance, a songfest, or all three.) The dancing group was so well-received that, when they invited us to join them, even Msgr. Sheahan decided to "get his feet wet"--or whatever it is you do when you participate in one of those delightful Irish dances.

A Gaelic Song

No Irish celebration--for whatever reason--would be authentic without at least one Gaelic song. Msgr. Sheahan filled the only lull during the evening with just such a song. At least, he said it was--and no one contradicted him.

Door Prize

Tom Burke won a set of miniature golf clubs. (No, not miniature-golf clubs.) At the end of each club handle was a very functional tool that no bartender/golfer should be without.

Cleanup

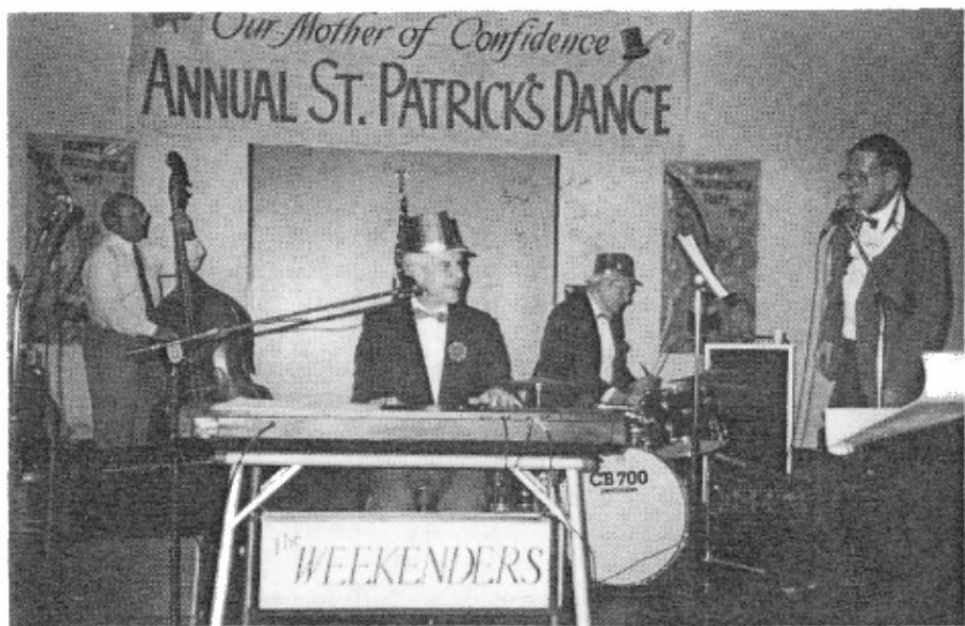
All of the above-named Knights and their Ladies stayed to put away the decorations and clean up the hall. As usual, a few dedicated workers made it possible for a multitude of party goers to have a good time. And their remuneration? The joy of seeing so many people enjoying themselves and the chance to show THE SPIRIT OF 9776!

SPECIAL KUDOS

At our first Installation of Officers, on June 12th 1988, Presiding Officer Lee Harris told us: "The wives do most of the work."

Lee was right. We saw that on March 15th. It was very vividly shown us by three Irish women, who provided the ingredients that made this St. Patrick's Day party a "piece of cake":

ELEANORE CLAVET EILEEN CRAIG MARY FLYNN







PATRICK'S DANCE







WORK, PLAY, PRAY TOGETHER

GK Raymond P. Flynn

Due to the editor's extensive coverage of our St. Pat's Party, my message this month is very short:

1. WORK TOGETHER - PanCake Breakfast volunteer workers welcome, from 6:00-11:00 AM, Sunday, April 7th.
 2. PLAY TOGETHER - Social meeting, April 18th. Come to the April 4th meeting for details.
 3. PRAY TOGETHER - Continue to pray for our seminarian, Cavana Wallace, who is to be ordained Deacon on April 1st. Also at our District Mass, at All Hallows Church, La Jolla, April 21st, 9:30 AM.
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APRIL CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
2	<u>1ST DEGREE</u> , St. Michael 9590, 7:00 PM Info: Wayne Langevin, 449-8991
4	<u>OMC 9776 BUSINESS MEETING</u> , 7:30 PM
7	<u>PANCAKE BREAKFAST</u> , OMC, 8:00-10:30 AM HELP SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIAN!
11	<u>1ST DEGREE</u> , San Miguel 3667, 7:00 PM Info: Mike Chamberlain, 463-7293
16	<u>2ND DEGREE</u> , St. Mark 6979, 7:30 PM Info: Al König, 744-1947
18	<u>OMC 9776 SOCIAL EVENING</u>
19	<u>2ND DEGREE</u> , Mater Dei 4936, 7:00 PM Info: Mike Cienfuegos, 447-4734
20	<u>3RD DEGREE</u> , San Lorenzo 9904, 12:30 PM Info: Don Cayabyab, 421-2980
21	<u>DISTRICT MASS</u> , District 100, 9:30 AM All Hallows Church, La Jolla Info: Joe Vettraino, 453-3132

CARD FROM CAVANA

Last month we received a St. Patrick's Day card from our seminarian, Cavana Wallace. The front displays the Ardagh Chalice on a page from the Cathach, a book of psalms from the 6th century. His message on the back read:

"God, Our Father, You sent St. Patrick to preach Your glory. By his example, may all Christians proclaim Your love and peace to all people."

✠Beannachtar na féile Pádraig ✠



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Keep writing to Cavana at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, County Kildare, Ireland.

MEMORARE--EVERY MONTH

On April 26th, we venerate our Blessed Mother under the title Our Lady of Good Counsel. The following is a very brief account of the origin and history of this Marian devotion.

In the 5th century, a church dedicated to Our Lady of Good Counsel was built in the town of Genazzano, about 30 miles southeast of Rome.

In 1356, the church, which had become "decrepit and ill kempt", was committed to the care of the Order of St. Augustine.

In 1467, a local widow, Petruccia of Geneo, decided to rebuild it "on a more worthy scale". But she ran out of money and it became known as "Petruccia's Folly". But she didn't give up: "The work will be completed, before I die. Our Lady and St. Augustine will see to it."

Then, on April 25th, the Feast of St. Mark, a fleecy cloud floated across the clear sky, descended, and attached itself to one of the walls. The cloud divided, and a small picture of the Madonna and child appeared, sitting on a narrow ledge a few feet above the ground.

The picture was painted on "a thin layer of plaster of porcelain, the thickness of an egg-shell". It was standing upright, with no support other than the ledge.

For no apparent reason, the church bells began to ring. This attracted people from all over the region. They fell upon their knees, and "there instantly began a marvelous shower of graces and favors".

A special notary was appointed to register the principal cases. From April 27 to August 14, he recorded 171 reported miracles. The townspeople called the picture The Madonna of Paradise.

Pope Paul II appointed a commission to investigate the phenomenon. Their findings convinced him that the picture was that of Our Lady of Good Counsel that was missing from a church in Scutari--the empty space in the church was the same size as the miraculous picture in Genazzano.

WELCOME WAGGIN



DOUGLAS L. BRADLEY MICHAEL J. BURBACH

Doug and Mike received their First Degree on March 5th, at St. Michael Council 9590. Their wives, Penny and Sandy, are the daughters of Ed and Anna Kuenster.

MARCH SOCIAL

On March 21st, close to 50 of us enjoyed a "free lunch". Well, almost. Mary Flynn received enough Stauffer's Frozen Dinners from Terry Cano to feed everyone present. All we had to provide was salad, bread/rolls, and dessert.

DON'T FOOL WITH THESE!

These Knights are no fools--not one of them was born on the 1st:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
11	Pat Crahan
12	Hal Nease
18	Jack Cassidy
20	Al Hovde
23	Ed Kuenster
25	Jay Leavy

Thought you'd never ask!

The menu consisted of corned beef
and cabbage, boiled potatoes,
etc.

OF COURSE!

OVERDUE!

"At presstime, more than 7,000 councils, 1,500 Fourth Degree assemblies and 800 Columbian Squires circles had not yet submitted the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728). The form was due January 31, 1991, so those councils and assemblies have missed the deadline."

This item appeared in Knightline, "Official Publication of the Knights of Columbus". It was dated February 1, 1991. The mailman delivered it on February 27th.

PAY BYPLAY

Are the salaries for men who are paid to "play" ball getting out of hand? Recent news reports tell about the outlandishly high salaries negotiated by some ball "players". Maybe the following anecdote will help put things in perspective.

It took Jim Hammond several years to talk Mary into going to a ball game. (She says she once went to a track meet with him and all it amounted to was a lot of guys standing around in their underwear and when they realized everyone was looking at them they all started running around in a big circle.)

Anyway, just to see what it was that could work Jim's emotions up to a fever pitch, Mary agreed to go to a game with him.

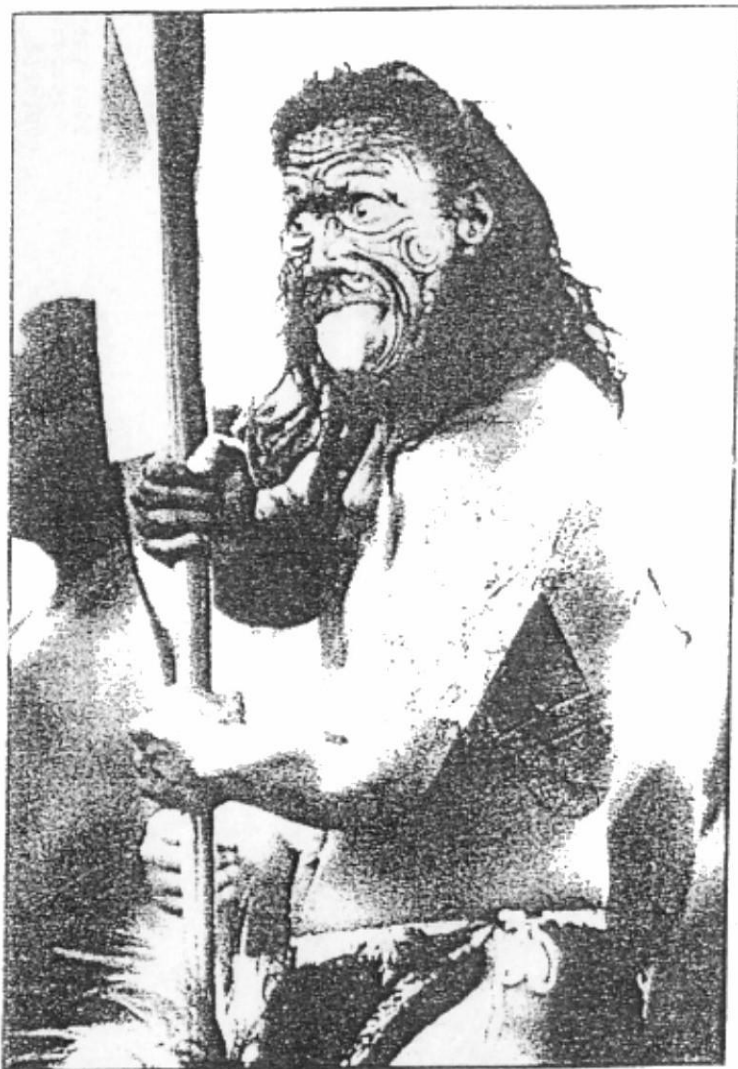
A batter hit a long fly to center field. The fielder turned and ran full tilt toward the center field fence. Just as the ball appeared to be going over the fence for a home run, the fielder gave a mighty leap and made a fantastic catch.

Jim was ecstatic. He couldn't contain himself. And, when he finally calmed down a modicum, he shouted at Mary: "Did you see that catch? Did you ever see anything like that?"

Mary looked up from her book and said: "Isn't that what he gets paid to do?"

PRIMORDIAL PCB COMPLAINT

PCB Chairman Tom Walters has finally received a complaint about his PanCake Breakfasts:



"THEY COOKED THE *&¢%\$# FOOD!"

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*The miraculous picture of
Our Lady of Good Counsel*