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THE CONFIDER

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AN EASTER MESSAGE

FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

Msgr. Donal Sheahan

Easter Sunday morning. We are reminded of how Mary was told by the angel to look elsewhere for her Son. Christ was risen - He was no longer in the place of the dead!

The Vigil, the celebration of the Church in the hours before the Resurrection, starts with the lighting of a fire. The Paschal candle is lit and is carried through a darkened church. It is symbolic of the Light of Christ dispelling the darkness - a darkness in which mankind lived for centuries before the coming of the Redeemer.

The Easter proclamation seems to go overboard in the joyous manner in which His Resurrection is announced, as a culmination of the history of God's people. Adam's sin is said to be a "Happy Fault", because it brought us so great a Redeemer. And the Father's love is marvelled at, because He gave His only Son for our salvation.

The Church is joyful once again!

We are reminded of the story of the old lady who said that, whenever she had something unhappy happen to her, she would wait three days, because it always seemed to give in to joy.

Just so, the sadness of Christ's passion and death gave way to the rejoicing and rebirth of Easter.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER-DANCE

On Saturday, March 14th, we fudged a little on the calendar and celebrated St. Patrick's Feast Day. Over 150 of us ate corned beef and cabbage and sang Irish songs.

Those who were so inclined danced to the real dance music of OMC parishioner Sam Verneti and the Weekenders.

But, before we could enjoy all those activities, a lot of preparation and planning was necessary.

Bob Warner, Ticket Chairman, kept track of ticket reservations, coordinated the sales of tickets after all the Masses on the two preceding weekends, checked the guests in on Saturday evening, and emceed the party activities.

Ellen Artley decorated the walls of the OMC parish hall with long posters, three along each side. One read "Céad míle fáilte", which is Gaelic for "100,000 Welcomes". Another shouted "Sláinte", meaning "Good Health". The third wished us "Happy St. Patrick's Day", meaning...

On Friday evening, Tom Walters, John Menard, Earl Gray, and Bernie Clavet set up tables and chairs, the bar, and sundry other items.

On Saturday, Bert Menard and Eleanore Clavet decorated the tables and the rest of the hall. They were assisted by John Menard and Bernie C.

Jack Cassidy kept us legal by getting a one-day permit to peddle potent potables.

Ed Kuenster refurbished the bar supplies and presided over the bar. He was assisted by Rod Jones, Ray (2) Flynn, and Leo Nolan.

Tom Walters contracted for the meals from the caterer. He also recorded the party pictorially for posterity.

Earl Gray sold tickets for the 50/50 drawing, at \$1.00 per ticket or an arm's length for \$5.

Bernie C, our Social Director, sold chits for the bar - and tried to stay out of the way of all the workers.

We were treated to a delightful exhibition of Hibernian dancing by the Pride of Erin Ceili Dancers. They had been invited by Ellen Artley.

Before our guests turned in their dinner tickets, they were asked to print their names on the back. During the evening, MC Bob Warner pulled five tickets for the door prize winners:

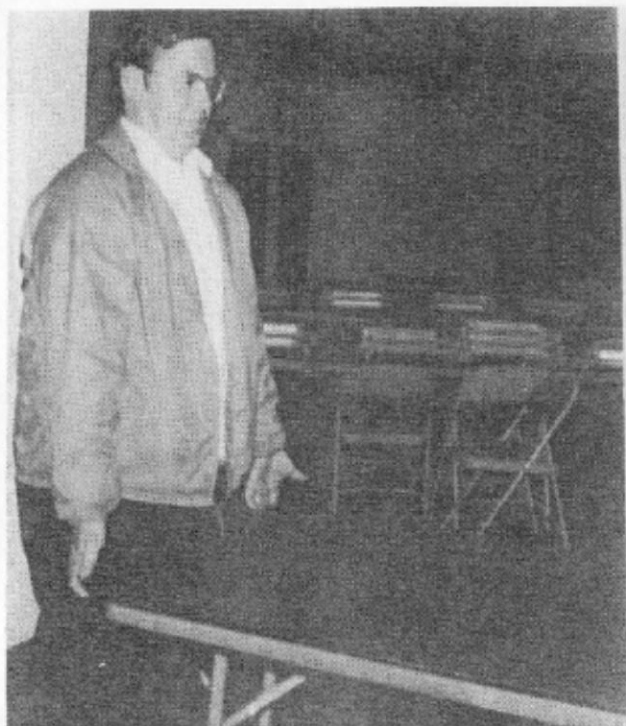
1. Two tickets for pizza dinners, won by Erin Brown and Stella Condon;
2. A photo album, won by Helena McMahan;
3. Two Taste of the Town discount books, won by Jane Burger and Loraine Flanagan.

Earl Gray finally decided to split the take for the 50/50 drawing. The winner, Eric Gordon, received \$116.00.

Eleanore Clavet filled in as hostess, in the absence of our regular hostess, Mary Flynn.

And where were GK Ray Flynn and Hostess Mary Flynn while all this was going on? They were on their way to Ireland, to supervise the long-awaited ordination to the priesthood of OUR Seminarian, Cavana Wallace.

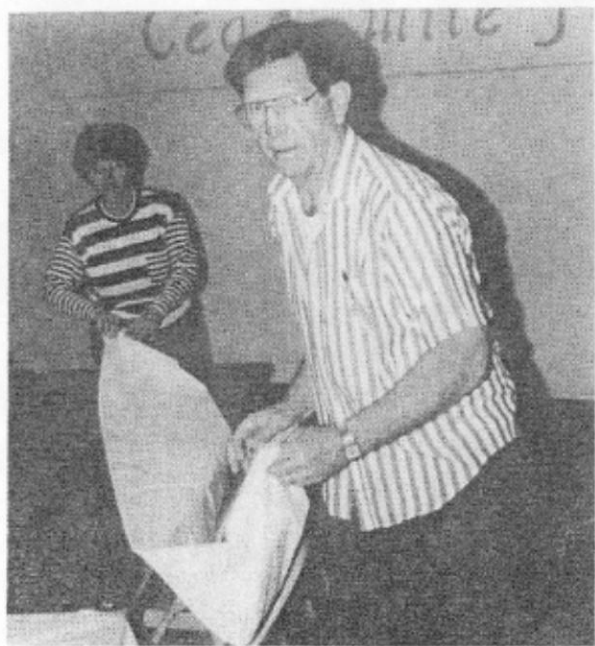




TOM WALTERS



EARL GRAY



BERT AND JOHN MENARD



EMCEE
BOB WARNER



ANNA KUENSTER BUYS AN ARM'S
LENGTH OF 50/50 TICKETS
FROM EARL GRAY



ROD JONES ED KUENSTER
PURVEYORS OF POTENT POTABLES



SAM VERNETTI AND THE WEEKENDERS

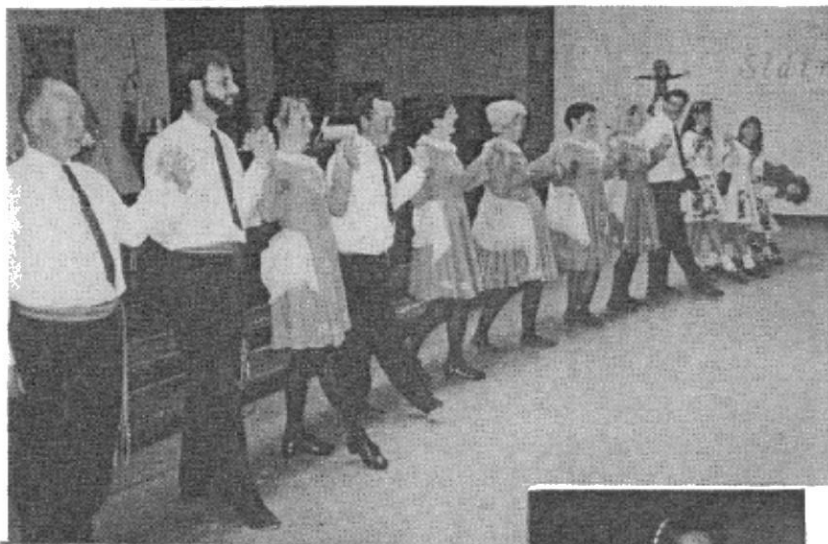








PRIDE OF ERIN CEILI DANCERS





FROM OUR GRAND KNIGHT

Well, not quite. When GK Ray Flynn left for Ireland, to attend the ordination of OUR Seminarian, Cavana Wallace, he said he would report, by mail, in time for the April CONFIDER.

Unfortunately, two factors beyond his control apparently conspired to thwart him: The Irish Postal System and the U.S. Postal Service.

So we'll just have to wait until his return to SD for his report. All things being equal, et Deo volente, this should be in time for the May CONFIDER.

THE "MIRACULOUS" MOTHER TERESA

While being treated for pneumonia at Scripps Clinic in December, Mother Teresa...But let someone who was there tell it.

Riva Greim, our good friend and neighbor, is a specialist at Scripps. She told us:

"Mother Teresa seemed to have an inexhaustible supply of Miraculous Medals. She gave one to every member of the staff that she met. And she didn't ask if they were Catholic - she just smiled and handed them a medal. And we all wear them, too - under our badges!"

WELCOME WAGGIN



STEVEN E. MELNICK

Steve was inducted into the First Degree and became a member of OMC 9776 on Ash Wednesday. The exemplification was conducted at Council St. Pius X 3487.

NORBERT C. HAAS

Norb, a Third Degree Knight, joined us at our Business Meeting on March 5th. He transferred from Council Thomas B. Austin 4958.

APRIL CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
1	<u>2ND DEGREE</u> , St. Pius X 3487 Info: Don Dake, 292-5465
2	<u>OMC 9776 BUSINESS MEETING</u> , 7:30 PM
5	<u>OMC 9776 PANCAKE BREAKFAST</u> , 8-10:30 AM
7	<u>1ST DEGREE</u> , St. Michael 9590 Info: Ron Schmitz, 448-9490
10	<u>CHAPTER MEETING</u> , St. Mark 6979, 8:00 PM Info: Al König, 744-1947
16	<u>OMC 9776 SOCIAL EVENING</u> , 7:30 PM GK Ray Flynn Reports on Ordination of Cavana Wallace
20	<u>2ND DEGREE</u> , San Miguel 3667 Info: Rock Wheeler, 469-5259
21	<u>1ST DEGREE</u> , Frances Cabrini 8879 Info: Ed Gutierrez, 670-4772
26	<u>3RD DEGREE</u> , St. Mark 6979 Info: Al König, 744-1947

MARCH SOCIAL EVENING

After the hustle and bustle of our St. Patrick's Day Dinner-Dance, the previous Saturday, we expected - and had - a small turnout for our Social Evening on March 19th.

However, we did have a spirited poker game (using chips, of course). No one bragged that he had won a bundle. But, while they were leaving, Kevin Livers, Steve Melnick, and the "recovered" George Uberti were heard to say: "Thanks for the lesson, Bernie."

LENTEN LENTILS?

This year, our Council's turn to help with the Lenten Soup Program will be on Good Friday, April 17th. We will serve soup to our parishioners from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM.

If you want to help out - and get a free bowl of soup - call Bob Warner, 453-4006.

FROM SORROW TO SOLACE

These April Knights cover the gamut extending all the way from the penance of Lent to the promise of Easter:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
9	Victor Bagwell
11	Pat Crahan
12	Harold Nease
18	Jack Cassidy
23	Ed Kuenster
25	Jay Leavy

SOMEBODY MUST BE BATTY!

The batter swings his bat. The pitcher throws the ball and hits the bat. The ball sails over the fence. If this happens often enough, the batter ends up with a .300 average. For this, he gets paid over \$1,000,000 per year - after failing 70 percent of the time!

OUR LADY OF THE COUNCIL

Mother of Unity

St. Augustine first used the title, Mother of Unity. Mary stands as the Model of union with God, as the great intercessor before God for all mankind.

Mary is the Head of the Communion of Saints. She is the Mother of the entire Christian Family, not merely the spiritual Mother of individual Christians, but the Mother of Mankind, as the Christian community, united in Christ and to each other by the grace of her Son, won on Calvary.

Pope Paul VI defined the role of Mary in leading souls to Christ: "You will find Mary within the whole of the Christian mystery, for devotion to her is not an end in itself, but the main road leading to Christ, to the glory of God, and to love of the Church."



MEMORARE - EVERY MONTH

In April, we commemorate Our Blessed Mother as follows:

- 1 Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virigin Mary
 - 26 Our Lady of Good Counsel
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CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, SLAVE DRIVER?

If you believe some of the accounts in what is euphemistically referred to as "the Media" (not exactly Defenders of the Faith), Columbus was an egotistical, pompous tyrant.

Samuel Eliot Morison, Nobel Prize-winning author of CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, MARINER, disagrees. In his book, he tells us:

The trades blew up strong, and the fleet had a rough passage of two days, part of the time hove-to. Since it had been "all hands on deck" for many hours, Columbus gave Alonso Medel, master of Niña, permission to send all hands below for a much-needed rest as soon as she was hove-to. Later, the Admiral, noting that the weather was moderating, came on deck and set about making sail by himself, in order not to disturb the weary watch. I do not imagine he could have done much more than cast off the gaskets from the mizzen and trim the braces of the small foreyard before others were awakened by the slatting of sails and the change of motion. But the incident illustrates the consideration that Columbus showed to his people and helps to explain the loyalty of his sailors, despite the many hardships he led them into and the few rewards that his voyages brought them.

OPTIMIST I-DENT-IFIED

An optimist is the old man who said: "I've only got two teeth. But thank God, they meet!"

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THE JOYS AND BLESSINGS OF EASTER TO

RESURREXIT



SICUT DIXIT!