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RAYMOND P. FLYNN, PGK

Presented by
DGK Robert J. Warner

OFFICERS INSTALLED

On Thursday, July 2nd, District Deputy Milton Smith installed our Council's officers for the Columbian Year 1992-93. He was assisted by TBA 4958 Council cohort, Dick Torpey.

Several comments were heard afterward, to the effect that "this was the smoothest Installation of Officers I've ever attended". Evidently Milt learned well during his first year as District Deputy. Now in his second year as DD, he's off to a good start, in a most professional manner. It just goes to show that a little experience can go a long way.

After the installation ceremony, Mary Flynn and her cohorts (cohortesses of cohostesses?) set out a most - as usual - refreshing refreshment offering. Mary also used the occasion to provide on-the-job training for her successor, Patricia Smith.

AUGUST CALENDAR

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
2	<u>OMC 9776 PANCAKE BREAKFAST</u> , 8-10:30 AM HELP SUPPORT OUR <u>TWO</u> SEMINARIANS!
4	<u>1ST DEGREE</u> , St. Michael 9590, 7:00 PM Info: Ron Schmitz, 448-9490
6	<u>OMC 9776 BUSINESS MEETING</u> , 7:30 PM
15	<u>CHAPTER OFFICERS INSTALLATION DINNER</u> St. John's Parish, Encinitas Info: Bill Kunderger, 753-1730
20	<u>OMC 9776 SOCIAL EVENING</u> , 7:30 PM
21	<u>SD CHAPTER MEETING</u> , 8:00 PM St. Mark's 6979 Info: Al Koenig, 744-1947
27	<u>2ND DEGREE</u> , St. Pius X 3487, 7:00 PM Info: Don Dake, 292-5465

PLAN OF ACTION

Last month, GK Roger Smith sent out a survey to the members/wives of our Council. The purpose of the survey was to learn what they wanted us to do to help our Council continue in its objective of becoming Numero Uno in the Order.

Then, on July 16th, in lieu of our regular Social Evening, several members/wives got together to discuss the responses to the survey and to form a Plan of Action for the 1992-93 Columbian Year, based on the survey responses.

We reviewed every suggestion, as to how we could apply it to the Plan of Action. The only criterion for adopting the suggestion was: Does it, in any way, shape, or form, pertain to our Council? Most of them did. These will be considered for adoption in our P of A, wherever and whenever applicable.

As Roger emphasized, no one has a monopoly on the best way to get things done - we need contributions from the brainpower of all the members of our Council, if we are going to form the best possible Plan of Action.

Accordingly, GK Roger Smith asks all who have not yet answered the questions in the survey to do so as soon as possible. Then, fold it up, print SURVEY on it, and drop it in the collection basket at Mass.

Your signature is neither requested nor required. We're not interested in collecting signatures - just significant suggestions.

OLD JEWISH PRAYER

Send us Your light and Your truth; let them lead us; let them bring us to Your holy mountain, to Your dwelling place.

When evil darkens our world, give us light;

When despair numbs our souls, give us hope;

When we stumble and fall, lift us up;

When doubts assail us, give us faith;

When nothing seems sure, give us trust;

When ideals fade, give us vision;

When we lose our way, be our guide;

That we may find serenity in Your presence and purpose in doing Your will. Amen.

WELL DONE, MARY FLYNN!

The highlight of our July 16th Social Evening was the awarding of a well-deserved plaque. GK Roger Smith presented a Certificate of Appreciation, FOR OUTSTANDING AND DEDICATED SERVICE, to Mary Flynn, our Hostess for the past 2 years.



MARY MARGARET FLYNN

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Everyone wants to go to heaven; but it's probably a safe bet that none of these Knights will make it the same way as our Blessed Mother:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
2	Earl Gray
3	Bernie Clavet
5	Jim Hammond
6	Tom Walters
11	Fr. Joseph Masar
11	Ray F Flynn
19	Stew Westdal
22	Arnold Hess
24	Bill Wilimek
29	Kevin Livers

WELCOME WAGGIN



RICHARD C. LECHTENBERG

On July 1st, Dick was initiated into the First Degree of the Knights of Columbus. Council Good Shepherd 9076 hosted the ceremony. He was escorted by Past Grand Knight Ray Flynn, Tom Walters, and Bernie Clavet.



TOM WALTERS

DICK LECHTENBERG

RAY FLYNN

HAPPINESS IS AS HAPPINESS DOES!

Steve Melnick: What's the difference between a benedict and a bachelor?

Bill Wilimek: A benedict is committed to the pursuit of happiness, and a bachelor enjoys the happiness of pursuit.

In August, we commemorate Mary under several titles. Some overlap, because of changes in the calendar over the years.

- 5 Our Lady of the Snow
- 13 Refuge of Sinners
- 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 22 Queenship of Mary, Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 29 Health of the Sick, Our Lady of Consolation

LA CONQUISTADORA

The oldest Marian shrine in the U.S. is in the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The cathedral was begun in the middle of the 19th century by the first Archbishop of Santa Fe, John Baptist Lamy. (Willa Cather "featured" him in **DEATH COMES FOR THE ARCHBISHOP.**)



In 1625, when Santa Fe was only 15 years old, Fr. Alonso de Benevides came up from Mexico City as head of the Franciscan Fathers. They were then in charge of the Indian missions of New Mexico and the parish of the Assumption in Santa Fe.

Fr. Benevides brought with him a small wooden statue of Our Lady's Assumption. It was beautifully carved and was overlaid with delicate red and blue patterns on gold leaf. He replaced the town's temporary church with a larger, more substantial building of adobe. He attached a special chapel to it in which to place the statue.

The statue later received the name of La Conquistadora (Our Lady of the Conquest). This stemmed from a Spanish-American custom which began in the 16th century: cities began to venerate their own Lady Conquerors, the first images of Mary that had come to them with the original founders, or conquistadores.

COLUMBUS: APOSTLE OF AMERICA

No missionary in the strict sense of the word, Columbus may nonetheless be rightly called the Apostle of America in the temporal order. Long after Alexander VI, two more popes, Pius IX and Leo XIII, formally declared his mission to be of God. Others have done so by implication.

Despite all the efforts of his detractors, no purely natural explanation for his exploit has ever been found. His Jewish biographer, Simon Wiesenthal, has joined Christian authors in avowing, "That religious elements played a great part in Columbus' thoughts and actions is evident from all his writings. It may come as something of a surprise to us that his concept of sailing west to reach the Indies was less the result of geographical theories than of his faith in certain Biblical texts - specifically, the Book of Isaiah."

He firmly believed that "God made me the messenger of the new heaven and the new earth, of which He spoke in the Apocalypse of St. John, after having spoken of it by the mouth of Isaias, and He showed me where to find it."

He often referred to the exclusively religious character of his enterprise in his correspondence. To Raphael Sanchez, he wrote: "This great and vast undertaking is due to no merit of mine. It is due to the holy Catholic Faith, to the piety and religion of our monarchs. For the Lord has granted men what human intelligence could neither conceive nor attain."

In a letter to the Spanish sovereigns he says, "I have seen and studied all the Scriptures, cosmography, histories, chronicles and philosophy and other arts which our Lord opened to my understanding. I could sense His hand upon me, so that it became clear to me that it was feasible to navigate from here to the Indies; and He unlocked within me the determination to execute the idea."

(Extrapolated from **DISCOVERING CRISTOBAL COLON**, by Solange Hertz, published in **THE REMNANT**, 31 April 1992.)

FIRST SAINT OF "THE NEW WORLD"

A SAINT FOR AUGUST

On 30 April 1587, a baby girl was born in the City of Lima, Peru. She was named Rose, because "one day the face of the child appeared transfigured, with all the beauty of a rose".

Rose and her brother built a "prayer house" when they were children. She was so devout that she often went without sleep so she could spend the night in prayer.

Engaged to be married "at an early age", Rose decided instead to spend her life in devotion and service to the poor. She entered the Order of St. Dominic and modeled her life of fervent prayer and penance after that of St. Catherine of Siena.

Sister Rose died on 29 August 1617. Pope Clement canonized her in 1671. Revered as the patroness of Lima and of all the Americas, she is commemorated in the Church Calendar on the 30th of August.



ST. ROSE OF LIMA - PAINTED DURING HER LIFETIME

PICKING UP THE PIECES

Summertime is a good time for the CONFIDER editor. During the summer vacation time, there is not as much Knightly activity to report as during the rest of the year.

So it's a good time to pick up some of those "loose" pieces lying around - and throw them in the hopper. Such as pics like these:



"EXPERTS" AT WORK - RAY FLYNN & TOM WALTERS



RAY FLYNN

TOM BURKE

ROD JONES

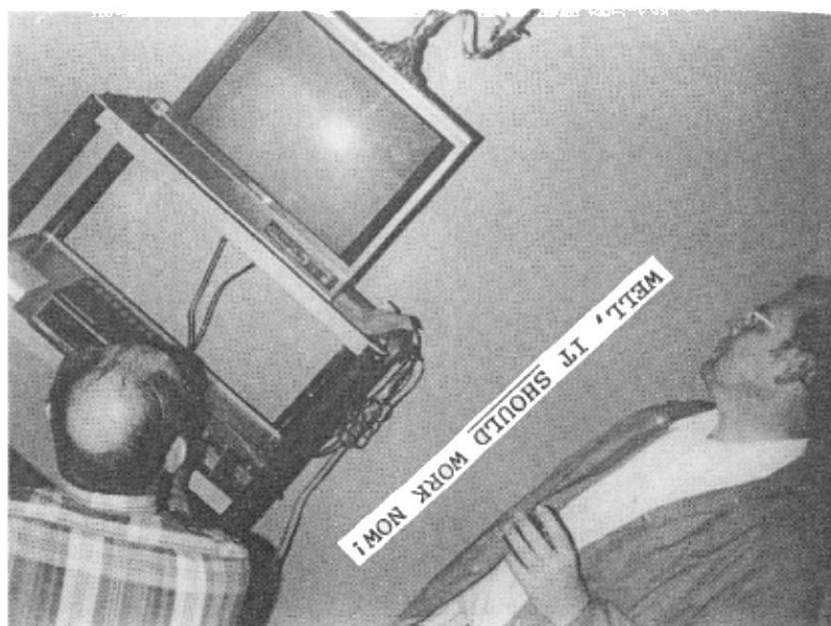


JOE VETTRAINO

RAY FLYNN



ED KUENSTER & BUD KIRCH WELCOME WHAT'S-HIS-NAME



OUR TWO NEW SEMINARIANS

That's right: two new seminarians! Shown in the picture with then-seminarian Cavana Wallace, they are Jaime Ananya and Edmondo Zarate.

When about-to-be-ordained-Deacon Cavana sent us the picture in January 1991, he wrote: "Also find enclosed a photo of me dressed in the Mexican costume and two Mexican seminarians studying here...from the Mexicali Diocese. In the photograph, they had just presented me with a Spanish Breviary - the Church's Liturgy of the Hours. Once a week we gather together for prayer in Spanish. It is good practice for me - as my Spanish needs much polishing."

Fr. Cavana is now stationed at OL of Guadalupe Parish in Calexico. Jaime and Edmondo are still studying for the priesthood at St. Patrick's Seminary in Ireland.



¿QUE ESTA QUE?

DON'T BLAME ME!

Where were you when the earthquake hit on June 28th? Earl Gray (so we are told) was about to go home from a party. But first he decided to go to the bathroom. Just as he depressed the flush lever, the earthquake hit. A few minutes later, he staggered out, covered with fallen plaster. Still shaking, he said: "Don't blame me - all I did was flush the toilet!"

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BUSINESS MEETING:
1ST THURSDAY, 7:30 PM
SOCIAL EVENING:
3RD THURSDAY, 7:30 PM



THE ASSUMPTION