St. Joseph's Hospital Plans 75th Anniversary Conclusion

Elmira — The countdown leading to the conclusion of the year-long 75th anniversary celebration for St. Joseph's Hospital is about to

A triple header sports series to include a horseshow, golf tournament and Elmira Pioneers ball game com-

On the Right Side

Fr. Paul J.

Cuddy

Quite A Busy Day

Frank Moore has been a friend of mine since 1973. He had charge of the cassette tapes department at Veritas, a large Catholic book and supply store near Abbey Theatre. It is owned by the bishops of Ireland. In 1973 I was looking for someone who might introduce the Archbishop Sheen tapes on the Irish radio, and had hoped Frank might help. He did not succeed, but a good friendship began. Each time I have been to Dublin we get together, with his friend Danny O'Brien, and often some pretty girl, though a different one each year. Since he was free on Friday, he offered to drive me about while our tour group scattered to shop, to browse, to relax, and to go to Bewley's Coffee Shop on Grafton Street, where they have the best coffee in Ireland.

Our first stop was at Meath Hospital to see Ann Carlin, who had fractured her knee cap at St. Patrick's Protestant Cathedral. She was experiencing an intimate side of Ireland through the many visitors and workers and nurses whom she met, and she was wondrously cheerful. Then on to Cardinal Newman's University Church off St. Stephen's Green, where I always light a candle each for our two diocesan Newman devotees -- Father McNamara of Hornell-Corning; and Father John Hayes of Aurora and Union Springs, soon to be haplain to the Dominican Sisters in Elmira. Then to the tomb at Our Lady of Lourdes Church of Matt Talbot. He was an Irish drunkard who reformed and whose cause for canonization is in process. A building at St. Augustine's, Rochester, is named the "Matt Talbot Center" where Deacon Greg Doyle of St. Rita's has a lively program for chemical-dependent people, open to everyone who needs help. Then on to Mary Ann Dunne, a sister of my late brother-in-law, Andy McLane of Auburn and Syracuse. She had just gotten out of the hospital.

Next to Veritas, where the manager, Robert Foulkerson, agreed to order the inspiring Sheen cassette from Ampico Sound, Hadden Heights, New Jersey: a series of 21 excellent talks. I sold him 40 Sheen cassettes which I had brought in my suitcase to get the ball rolling. He applied the sale against a bill for prayer books which I got: 1,000 copies

of "An Hour with Jesus," 500 copies of "Prayers of an Irish Mother," and 500 rosary novena booklets -all of which I will sell throughout the diocese. Next, to Jack and Joyce Pender's home. They have a condominium in Florida which Elmira's Harold and Betty Lownsberry, Father McNamara's sister and brother-in-law, have used in the spring after the Pender's return to Dublin. They promised to visit our

Ann Carlin in the Meath

Hospital. Finally, to Clery's department store on O'Connell Street for two large Irish flags and an umbrella, which I carelessly left behind in Frank's car. It was a busy day, but a grateful one. We returned to Jury's Hotel where I celebrated Mass at 6 p.m. That evening our group went to Jury's Cabaret, right in the hotel. It consists of Irish singing, dancing and harp and other instrument playing; and two 20minute sessions of comedian Hal Roach -- uproarious humor, and all of it so clean you could bring along a group of holy nuns. Everyone finished

in high spirits. In 1972 I met Ursaline Sister M. Vianney in the back pew of the Cathedral of Sligo. She is a nurse and has worked among the poor and elderly for years. I reached her by phone in Dublin where she was studying Swahili to go to Kenya, East Africa, and we arranged for her to meet me at Jury's Hotel from 7-8 p.m., just before the Cabaret. I was edified by her devotion to her religious life. "Since Reverend Mother wants me to go to Africa, of course I will go, though I am not young any more. But someone is needed." I mourned with her over the religious indifference of many of the young who are dear to both of us. I rejoiced with her that we have so many faithful families, and so wonderful a pope as John Paul II. She was fascinated watching the crowd milling about in the hotel lobby, an experience quite unusual within her religious life. I gave her half a dozen Sheen tapes and an album of Father Basset: "Thomas More." She thanked me kindly, and said, "I will bring these to Africa. Our Sisters there will be so glad to have them." I remembered that always when I gave her a gift she would be thankful, and always say, "Our Sisters will like these." That night in my prayers I gave thanks to God for a wonderful day; a happy group; a lot accomplished; and for many

faithful nuns like Sister

Mary Vianney Walsh.

mences with the Elmira Charity Horseshow 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday, July 12 through Sunday, July 15.

Admission is free and events include hunting and jumping competition.

The hospital auxiliary and volunteer services prepare and serve the refreshments during the four-day event.

Elmira golfer and hospital development council member Ed Widman is chairing the committee preparing for a golf tournament, August 19 at Elmira Country Club.

The third event is a ball game between the Elmira Pioneers and Auburn, 2 p.m., Saturday, August 25 at Dunn Field. The raindate is August 26.

Admission will be the same at it was in 1909.

The fouth annual Key Club Gala will be held Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Clemens Performing Arts Center. The benefit, limited to 300 couples, features food and fund-raising with proceeds going toward the purchase of hospital equipment.

The grand finale will be a Founders Ball, Saturday, November 24 at the Elmira College Campus Center.

SSJ Artists Win Awards

Sister Anne DeMare and Sister Kristin Malone, both of the Sisters of St. Joseph, have had paintings accepted for the current Rochester Art Club Show at the Memorial Art Gallery.

In addition, both Sisters won Jurors Awards at the opening of the event.

The show will stay through July 22.

Padre Pio

A Holy Hour sponsored by the local Padre Pio group is held 2 p.m. on the second Sunday of each month at Holy Spirit Church. Father Frederick W. Bush, pastor, officiates. The public is inGet College Credit Elmira - Students of St.

Joseph's Hospital School of Sister Remegia McHenry, Nursing are now able to receive credit toward a coldirector of the nursing school, said, "This makes a lege degree. As part of a nationwide program, 16 courses conducted by St. Joseph's Hospital were significant milestone in the continuing education of the nursing professional and will have a substantial financial evaluated by the New York impact upon the savings to be Regents Program on Nonrealized by the St. Joseph's collegiate Sponsored Innursing student.' struction and were found comparable to college She also said, "The accep-

tance of the credits has a ten-year retroactivity period and has been approved for the next ten years.' Further information on the

education-related subjects development is available

CDA Plans Convention In Houston

Houston -- Archbishop Pio Laghi, apostolic nuncio to the United States, and Lawrence E. Pezzullo, director of Catholic Relief Services, will be principal speakers at the 40th biennial convention of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas here July 15-20.

Loretta Knebel, national CDA regent, said more than 1,000 delegates and members are expected to attend the meeting which has a theme of "Family Unity -- the Strength of Our Nation." CDA claims a membership of some 180,000 making it the largest organization of laywomen in



Reunion Call

Organizers are seeking the whereabouts of 16 class members and interested parties are asked to call lane or Dave DeVoldre, 342-1098, or Cathy Albert Bayer, 586-1805. The 16 and Susan Ackerman, Jennifer Alaimo, Judy Allenza, Elaine Ambrose, Jeanne Parace, Joan Fountaine, Linda Frederick, Mary Jo Gormican, Carol Negrille, Kathleen O'Connell, Thomas Cileski, Neil Fountaine, John Pavel, Gary Schopfel, Mark Tinkler and William Turpyn. St. Joseph's Nurses

The class of 1964 of St. Thomas the Apostle School will hold a reunion August 4.

from "Human Growth and Development," to "Basic Pharmacology." If totally acceptable to the from Sister Remegia, St. Joseph's Hospital, 555 E. Market St., Elmira, N.Y. educational institution the student could realize 32 credit 14902; (607) 733-6541, ext.

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