


Grand Knight's article, continued

Hot Springs Knights of Columbus

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| 1. March for the great,
March for the small,
March for the sake
Of us all. | 3. The widow, the orphan,
The poor and the ill
Are in his plan,
Are in His Will. |
| 2. We band of brothers
United in Charity—
Look after others,
The hurt and needy. | 4. So look deep inside
Worthy Catholic man
And with us abide
As we make this stand. |

Evil is plotting to intervene on the truth, the Christ child and seekers. And so, it is ever more incumbent upon us to find safety and resource in the spirit of the Magi, prayer, and service to God, including inspiration of others to serve God./ **Iturba Percefull, Grand Knight**


Fourth Degree—Footnotes

 **Faithful Navigator Cass Bukauskas** encourages all Assembly members to be present at the January 18 meeting at the K. C. Hall. Meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Annual dues of \$15 were payable as of January 1.


Mark your calendars for **Sunday, January 21**. That day is set for the annual March for Life in Little Rock, beginning at the corners of Capital and Louisiana and progressing to the Capitol Building. Activities will begin with rosary and adoration at 11 a.m. at the Statehouse Convention Center Ball Room and will be followed by the Mass for Life at noon. **District Master Phil Hahn** is eager to have a good representation of members in tuxes and regalia. He says there will be a room at the Statehouse for members to change into their formal attire, the location of which to be announced soon. Let's make an effort to have good representation from our Assembly.

Hot Springs Village Assembly will host a Fourth Degree Exemplification on **Saturday, February 24**, with Msgr. Bernard Malone the honoree. We have time to get some candidates for this Exemplification, but we must act now. New members must have been a Third Degree knight for at least a year, though District Master Hahn has the option of reducing that requirement to six months. A formal request would have to be submitted to him for the reduction. For the Exemplification, all candidates must present themselves in tuxes./**Cass Bukauskas, Faithful Navigator**

Pearl Harbor Day Flag Raising

 Nine council members were up early on the morning of December 7 to raise flags over Calvary Cemetery. Those participating were **Iturba Percefull, John Macchietto, Tom Gilleran, Earl Robbins, Lou Kosarek, Gil Gibbons, Ray Kukuk, Len Didier, and Ed McManus**. Before hoisting the flags, the men enjoyed social time over coffee and coffee cake were provided by **Lorraine McManus** and coffee cake from Lou Kosarek. The person generally on coffee detail, by his own choice, is **Buddy Gloor**. Through the years he has provided gallons of coffee. He was unable to be present for the December 7 patriotism.

Council's December Charity Outreach

 As Christmas drew near, phone calls requesting toys for children came often. That is an area that, as yet, we have not moved into. However, council members, with assistance from council member **Dick Antoine** of Radio Station KZNG did direct

people to sources of toys, and we don't know of any efforts that were unsuccessful. St. John's Church provided some of the toys, as did Jackson House and Toys for Tots.

Dawn Waddle of Hot Springs Housing Authority called **Dennis Bosch** with regard to a new resident who with two young daughters had moved in with nothing but a few clothes and an air mattress. Dennis, assisted by **Jim Reiter**, shopped the classified ads and bought for them a double bed, a twin bed, a table with chairs, and a dresser for the family. In addition, they went through our leftovers from the October sale and collected some sheets, towels, and kitchen items for them.

On another front, the council, including a substantial donation from an anonymous council member, contributed \$1200 to St. John's Christmas basket fund.

Another S.O.S came from Diane Longinotti, St. John's parishioner, on behalf of a handicapped man, who occasionally does yard work and other odd jobs for her. We'll call him Bobby. Several months ago Bobby had a fire in a bedroom of his tiny house. The gas company cut off his gas supply until his house can be brought up to code. That has not happened. Apparently he almost froze on those December nights when the temperature dipped into the teens. Council members took him shopping and bought for him a good winter coat, a pair of shoes, an oil-filled heater, a table-top broil/bake oven, and food. When we went into his house, we discovered that his house is essentially empty: not a single chair of any kind, no kitchen stove, not even a kitchen sink. The only water in the house is in the bathroom. Mrs. Longinotti has given him a sofa. We gave him an upholstered occasional chair, a table, a couple of other chairs, a microwave, and some other kitchen items. This week we are going to appraise his situation further with the idea of installing a kitchen sink and possibly more. Bobby's opportunities for work are meager at this time of year. Mrs. Longinotti says that he does excellent work, so if you need someone to do yard work, call her for contact information. He will need transportation.



From Our Chaplain

Substituting for Fr. Erik with an article this month is our visiting seminarian, Jason Shaub. Here is Jason's timely article which should help us begin the New Year with upbeat attitudes:

"Behold, I make all things new." (Revelation 21:5)

In this season of New Year's resolutions, it is reassuring to know that God's promises to us are always renewed. While the resolutions we make for each New Year may or may not fall short of their intended outcomes, God's promises to renew our relationship with Him *never* falls short of expectations. Through His Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, he has given each of us a "new birth" in His own life. Whether we let ourselves down, let others down, or let God down with out sinful ways and inability to live our lives as we had hoped and promised, God will always be there for us. His covenant with us is not a contractual *quid pro quo* in which our inability to live up to our end of the deal nullifies His side. On the contrary, He always remains faithful and renews His commitment to us. For while we may end our relationship with Him, He is ready to "make all things new."



Our Man Earl

Did you see the fine picture and article of Council member **Earl Robbins** in Sunday's paper? **....continued, p. 3**

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January Birthdays

- 1 **Louis Kosarek**
- 1 **Joe Mangialardi**
- 3 **Larry Heisserer**
- 5 **Larry Archer**
- 6 **Floyd Sherfield**
- 7 **Joe Dierks**
- 7 **Charles Elias**
- 9 **Jim Lockwood**
- 17 **Newton White**
- 19 **Joe Cenac**
- 21 **Richard Smith**
- 23 **Francis Klein**
- 25 **Paul Bachmann**
- 26 **Hugh Truesdale**
- 29 **Larry Stamps**

January Calendar

- 4 **Officers Meeting, K. C. Hall, 7 p.m.**
- 11 **Council Meeting, K. C. Hall, 7:30 p.m. (rosary at 6:30)**
- 18 **Fourth Degree Meeting, K. C. Hall, 7 p.m.**
- 20 **District Meeting, K. C. Hall, 10 a.m. (see Grand Knight's article, p. 1)**
- 21 **March for Life, Little Rock (see Fourth Degree article, p. 2)**
- 28 **Second and Third Degree Exemplification, El Dorado**

**Knight of the Month
Newton White**

**Family of the Month
Louis and Vi Kosarek**

Pray for our Sick

Please pray for the following council members, wives/relatives, and council friends who struggle with health problems: Jim Reiter, Joe Salemi, Donna Trant, daughter of Pat Logan, Mary Anne Honeycutt, Stretch Ecklund, George and Sue Marshall, Margaret Dierks, Ann Lee, Mary Ellen Kagel, Al Reis, Emily Kostka, and Emil Wencil



Harold Does It Again!

Council member **Harold Hager** has recently set a new AAU American and world record at the AAU International Push-Pull & Single Lift Championships in Richmond, Virginia. Competing in the 70 to 74 age group, 165 lb. weight class, Harold benched 187 lbs, beating the old record by 32 lbs. He also holds American and world records in the ALL Natural Push/Pull Conference and Natural Athletic Strength Association.

Earl Robbins, continued

After 30 years' service on the Garland County Quorum Court, Earl has as of December 31 stepped down. To have been District 5 justice of the peace for 30 years is impressive indeed! Congratulations to Earl for this accomplishment. We knights must be proud of the long-range contribution he has made to our community. Obviously his constituents have been pleased with his work. Earl reports that one of the two most notable accomplishments of the court during his tenure was the renovation and conversion of the old Garland County Library into a government office building, now the home of the county tax collector and tax assessor's offices. The other was construction of the new library and county health department building on Malvern Avenue.

Some of us have just learned that Earl followed two brothers to Hot Springs from Kentucky in 1941. His first job was in his brother's service station at Grand and Central. Next he helped sell the now long-gone Kaiser-Frazer, Packard and Studebaker automobiles. Earl later managed the Elks Lodge for 6 years and taught industrial arts at Hot Springs High School for 13 years. And on top of that he has through the years given much time to Knights of Columbus Council 6419. Thank you, Earl, for your multiple contributions to the citizens of Hot Springs.