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So Much Depends....

So much depends on our spring Charity Furniture/Rummage Sale, set for April 11-12 and 18-19. Those dates mark the actual sale. The lead-in begins with a morning's work at Reiter Building on April 2 and continues in earnest the following Monday, April 7, continuing daily until the Friday/Saturday sale.

So much depends on this sale. We need cash—and lots of it—to fund our usual monthly donations to Jackson House, residents of Hot Springs Housing Authority (air conditioning units, diapers, toiletries), Christian Charitable Medical Clinic, Christopher House, and miscellaneous donations to families with special needs. There are other items such as the annual Knights of Columbus scholarship to a local graduating Catholic student, support of a diocesan seminarian, and, hopefully, a nice donation to St. John's School at the time of the annual Bazaar. Yes, so much depends....

So much depends on having a good inventory of merchandise. We have it! And much of it is quite nice. We have more furniture than can fit into our 40 x 60 pole barn, so overflow items have already filled the partitioned area of the main hall. We still have more to come. So thanks to all who have donated, and thanks to our members who have transported them in this age of outrageous gasoline prices. Thanks to **Tom Gilleran, Joe Van Hout, Dennis Bosch, Julian Post, Harold Hager, Donald Sass, Bob Kortenber, John Macchietto, Jim DeGeorge, Leonard Didier, Dick Smith, Stan DeGruccio, Frank Maxwell, and Rick Sands.**

So much depends on WORKERS—and lots of them—men and women. A successful sale cannot happen without an abundance of volunteers. So come forth! Call Jim at 525-7022 to volunteer your time. Men will report by 9 a.m. on Monday, the 7th to set up tables, bring out hundreds of sale items, assign them to appropriate tables, etc. Men and women will be present from Tuesday through Thursday to organize and price. And of course we will need a lot of workers on the sale days.

Ladies, you've come through in recent years with wonderful lunches for the workers. May we count on you again? Please call Martha at 525-7022. So much depends....

Council Scholarship: Applications Now Available

Once again, Council 6419 will award a \$1000 scholarship to a graduating Catholic student in good standing with either St. John's or St. Mary's Church. Applications may be picked up from the offices of both churches. The completed form, along with specified items of information and recommendations, must be returned to St. Mary's or St. John's Church office no later than Friday, May 23. At that point a committee of knights from Council 6419 will determine the scholarship winner. Judging will be based on scholarship, school activities, church involvement, and character.



Grand Knight's Report

Just as the caterpillar moves from dark chrysalis to magnificent wings glistening in the sun, spring erupts in splendor. Our Knights Hall, too, has undergone metamorphosis to greater splendor, thanks to the dedicated good work of capable knights. The improvement will pay dividends. Father Erik's "Lives of the Saints" program, the third of a series on May 27 will be an opportunity to show off the improvements. Following the interior work, described previously in *Knights Shift*, council member **Leonard Didier** has shouldered the responsibility of tidying up the outside of the building, including manicuring shrubs, weeding, and replacing the border for the plantings along the front of the building. Thanks to Len for what he has done and what he plans to do. Thanks also to **Dick Smith** for his assistance in weeding the beds. With the 2009 Arkansas Knights of Columbus Convention planned for Hot Springs, we should have the place in good order for our influx of visitors. How nice it would be by Convention time to have the men's restroom to match the grandeur of the ladies' restroom.

Our recruitment drive will be this month on April 19-20. We will set up tables outside both St. John's and St. Mary's Churches for the weekend masses. Knights will need to come forward to help with this endeavor in signing up recruits.

If you like a good picnic, you'll like the Bi-Parish Potluck Picnic planned for April 27 at ARC-Isle. It is church-sponsored with planning and execution carried out by council members. Again, volunteer help is essential, including for clean-up. Come forward. And spread the word of the picnic to ensure a good turnout of parishioners from the two churches.

Robert Rowe and I will be unable to be at the picnic, since we will be participating as delegates to the State Convention in Jonesboro. We will be voting on state officers and many new proposals. We hope to have a part in effectively moving the Knights into greater fortune.

The tomb is open and empty. Disciples are about taking up their cross knowing that "...my yoke is light." [Jesus] Salvation can be fun. Attitude is altitude. There is no way to happiness; rather happiness is the way. There is much to say for how one views any circumstance. The nature of your observing changes what you see. When the glass is half full, we create a positive atmosphere in which the tools for effective relations operate better. A bright outlook makes it easier to have sensitivity for others, good manners. Our council prospers when we are friendly, welcoming and wholesomely engaged with anyone who comes into any relationship with us. We must beware not to have any clique development in our midst with inherent prejudice, separation, and condemnation of the innocent. Ancient philosopher Tacitus said, "Neglected calumny soon

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