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Spring Rummage Sale a Great Success
 The April 11-12, 18-19 Council Charity Rummage Sale was a rip-roaring success, thanks to a particularly good inventory of donated merchandise, good weather, and a lot of dedicated volunteers. The **\$13,030 gross proceeds**, with some money still outstanding, is actually the second-best sale we've had, and in fact the very best sale when actual rummage sale income is considered. The one year with higher proceeds included a large income from consignment items sold from the Antique Showroom. The one negative is the return of two insufficient funds checks totaling \$270. Even now, **Treasurer Dennis Bosch** is hot on the heels of the check writers.

The success of the sale resulted in large part to a large number of dedicated workers. The council expresses gratitude to the following people who gave at least one day's work to the cause and several who worked all or almost all of the nine work days: **Joe Van Hout, Tom Gilleran, Dennis and Chris Bosch, Jim and Barbara Reiter, Jim and Martha Lockwood, Ray Kukuk, Jim DeGeorge, Gil Gibbons, Bob Kortzenber, Don Sass, Dennis and Sue Wood, Dick and Jackie Smith, Julian Post, Harold Hager, Rick Sands, George Marshall, Pat Logan, Audrey McDonald, Laura Mazzia, John Macchietto, Randy and Marty Schnoebelen, Stan and Gwen DeGruccio, Bill and Dawn Thompson, Bev Priest, Kathy Woodward, Joe Giompoletti, Lou and Vi Kosarek, and Joe Dierks.** A much smaller number responded to the call for clean-up. Thanks to **Dennis Bosch, Tom Gilleran, Ray Kukuk, Jim Reiter, Joe Van Hout, and Joe Dierks** who took care of this unpleasant task. Our ladies give us never-failing support and are, in fact, indispensable to the success of our rummage sales—not only with the sale itself but also by providing a good meal each sale day. Most of these are regulars. Thanks to these ladies and one non-Catholic gentleman who came forth with such tasty meals: **Martha Lockwood, Karen Gibbons, Sue Wood, Rose Kukuk, Frankie DeGeorge, Sandy Kortzenber, Chris Bosch, and Ed Soris.** Thanks also to **Vi Kosarek** for her delicious fruit-filled kolaches to **Lee Myers** for a return of her cherry bars, to **Marge Knoth** for a tray of roll-up sandwiches, to **Debbie Van Hout** for three different desserts, to **Joe Palmere** for brownies, and to **Tom Gilleran** for his daily offering of fresh donuts. As you can see, we were well fed.

Collection of donated items goes on year-round. Already, we are getting calls for new donations. With our next big sale set for October and a possible one-day furniture sale in July, let's be alert to possible additions to our inventory. Presently, the inventory of furniture in Reiter Building is lower than it has been since the building was first built in 2004. If you learn of a friend or a neighbor who is planning to move away, remind him/her of our mission to help those in need and to consider our council for any sellable items that they might leave behind.

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Grand Knight's Report

At the turn of the century, John Paul II spoke of a "new springtime of the Gospel." There is a strong sense of this truth in Pope Benedict's recent visit to our nation. The Vicar of Christ came to a nation where an entrenched, depraved indifference abounds, a country where Mother Theresa, on a visit here, suggested, "American suffers from a poverty of spirit." We're distracted from the spiritual life. Today's novelty is tomorrow's slave master, and in these modern times the calculus of risk is changing with ever-greater velocity and magnitude. There is coming to be an ever-greater wobble in our trajectory. Our Pope's visit is most auspicious.

Hopefully we'll hear our council chaplain **Fr. Erik Pohlmeier's** reflections on his trip to see the Holy Father in Washington, D. C. On the evening of Tuesday, May 27 Fr. Erik will present the third and final installment of "Lives of the Saints." The talk will be preceded by a 6 p.m. potluck dinner, the council providing the meat.

The rummage sale last month was a tremendous success. From so few has been derived so much. It is for those who helped make the sale happen that Pope Benedict XVI describes Knights of Columbus as "The Great Army."

Our recruitment drive on the weekend of April 19-20 went well thanks to **Randy Schnoebelen** stepping up to help at masses at both St. Mary's and St. John's. **Mark Layton** gave valuable presence at two St. John's masses. **Tom Gilleran, Jim Reiter, Monte Dilick, and Bill Wavering** also helped us. There is more to be reported on recruiting at our May meeting.

Tom Gilleran and team will be placing flags at Calvary Cemetery on Memorial Day. Gas is expensive these days, but detour a little if you can and pass by all the Ol' Glories waving on Monday, May 26.

Council officers will be elected at our May meeting. Nominated are **Joe Giompoletti, Grand Knight; Rick Sands, Deputy Grand Knight; Larry Nieman, Chancellor; George Marshall, Advocate; Steve Barron, Recorder; Dennis Bosch, Treasurer; Ed McManus, Warden; Julian Post, Inside Guard; Frank Maxwell, Outside Guard.** Proposed Trustees are **Iturba Percefull, 3-year; Charles Smith, 2-year; and Gil Gibbons, 1-year.** **Joe Dierks**, Financial Secretary, is appointed by Supreme Council. The chaplain and lecturer are appointed. Council members are free to nominate other candidates for all positions. Please come to the May 8 meeting to participate in this important election.

Jim Witovec, substituting for me, joined **Robert Rowe** as council delegates to the Arkansas Knights of Columbus State Convention last weekend in Jonesboro. Other council members present were **Newton White**, District Deputy; insurance Agent **Randy Schnoebelen**; and Programs Director **Bill Wavering.**

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