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Fall Rummage Sale: Looking Ahead

For Council 6419 October will be an incredibly busy month. During the first week the centennial celebration for St. John the Baptist Church will peak with a variety of activities. The following weekend the council will conduct its annual Drive for People with Disabilities, also known as the Tootsie Roll Drive (See separate article). Then preparation for the Rummage Sale will begin on Monday, October 13, with the first weekend of the sale scheduled for October 17-18. **Then things depart from the usual.** For the first time ever, the council will conduct its sale on split weekends. We do not want to conflict with St. John's School, which has planned its annual bazaar for Friday, the 24th. Therefore, the second weekend for our sale will be October 31-November 1. The German Club (Edelweiss Club) has graciously agreed to delay their monthly meeting one week in order to accommodate our need. Having a week of rest in between may prove to be a real plus. We'll see.

As for the rummage sale itself, we are in good order with our merchandise donations. We need to set aside some time within a week or so to once again organize. At present one will have difficulty walking from the front of the furniture building to the back. But good minds and good backs can put it all in good order once again.

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From Our Grand Knight

I remember after we chartered in 1972 when I became Grand Knight. With the help of Father Cooper, we contacted the Bishop to see if we could rent St. Gabriel's Church on East Grand since it was vacant. In the letter to the Bishop, we explained to him that since we had just chartered and had very little money, we could pay only approximately \$50 a month. He agreed to lease us the church and its rectory for that amount. We were able to sub-lease the rectory for \$80 a month. Extra money! We all rolled up our sleeves and went to work. We renovated the inside of the building but still did not have restrooms or a kitchen.

During this time Hot Springs was under a building ban, and we could not do any new plumbing. With the help of a few knights, we went down at night and "boot-legged" the plumbing into the building. There were many long days of work for most of the knights then since most of them still had full-time jobs to do during the day. They would go straight from work to our new Hall on East Grand to work. During these months of work to install our restrooms, a kitchen, and a bar, our meetings were working-meetings. Everyone helped.

Ironically, after 35 years, here I am again as Grand Knight, doing some of the same things I did when we first chartered. (I love every minute of it!)/ **Joe Giompoletti, Grand Knight**
Editor's Postscript: Our Grand Knight continues to take the lead in the renovation work at the K. C. Hall. With the women's restroom, kitchen, and air-conditioning/heating now in good order, construction on the men's restroom is underway. The sheetrock is in place, and the taping is almost complete. A new restroom, with a very different look, will be completed soon.

The Council, recent recipient of an anonymous \$12,000 donation, is soon to receive another generous gift of \$12,589.63 from the estate of former council member Emil Wencil who died several months ago. Council Treasurer Dennis Bosch has received papers from a St. Louis brokerage with the request to sign and return. 2008 has been a year of blessings for the council.

First Degree Exemplification Scheduled

The Hot Springs Village Council will host a First Degree Exemplification on the evening of Tuesday, October 7 in the basement of Sacred Heart Church. The Exemplification will be part of the council meeting, which will begin at 7 p.m. Preceding the meeting will be a 5 p.m. social and a 6 p.m. dinner, in which we may or may not participate. We will know later.

Council 6419 presently has 7 candidates, who are **Benjamin Van Wagner, Walter Frazee, Hans Purkott, Michael Klein, George Callahan, Marc Hayes, and Scott Hrdlicka.**

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