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Council and Assembly Dues

With "Happy New Year" comes the annual reminder that your council and assembly dues were payable January 1. Please take care of this responsibility at least by the January 13 council meeting and the January 20 assembly meeting. Delay of these payments becomes painful to **Joe Dierks**, Financial Secretary of the council, and to **Robert Rowe**, the Fourth Degree Faithful Comptroller. Do your part to make their jobs less stressful. Spare them the necessity of sending reminders in March and April—and spare the council the expense of those mailings. Council dues, once again, are \$45. The Assembly annual assessment is \$20, not \$15 reported in December *Knight Shift*.

Ads and Sponsorship Renewal

January 1 also signals that it is time to renew sponsorships and ads found on pages 3 and 4. *Knight Shift* is printed at considerable cost—especially the expense of ink cartridges but also of paper and mailing. Your \$10 sponsorship and your \$25 ad help substantially to offset the cost of annual publication, a rough estimate being at least \$1200. For the year 1010 the council netted \$300 from ads and \$500 from 50 sponsorships, leaving at least \$400 in expenses for the council to cover. Please help us to offset this cost. Asterisks (*) beside sponsors' names indicate that the sponsorship has been renewed for 2011. Thanks for your help.

New Golf Tournament to Aid Seminarians

Hans Purkott, council member and golf aficionado extraordinaire, has come forth with another super plan: the inaugural "Arkansas Knights of Columbus Cup," an annual golf tournament whose proceeds will go toward support of our seminarians in Arkansas. To be played Saturday, May 21, with tee-time at 9 a.m., the tourney already has the sanction of Knights of Columbus **Arkansas State Deputy Charles Ketter**.

Hans reports that his inquiries "as of today" have brought positive responses from the councils in Jonesboro, Van Buren, Stuttgart, Texarkana, Little Rock, and Hot Springs Village. The goal is to have at least ten ten-man teams. Entering teams will play for the "Knights of Arkansas" championship. For the winning team our council will provide a beautiful trophy valued at approximately \$500.

To get ready for this tournament, Hans needs our council's golfers to participate. We will need 10 participating golfers from our council. The tournament format will be four or five two-men teams for "best ball match play" playing 27 holes. A match will be nine holes. For winning a match a team will receive two points, for winning by two or more holes, 3 points, and for tying the match after nine holes, 1 point. Losing a match will give the team no points. All players must have a handicap, preferably consistent

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Grand Knight's Report



A new year is upon us again as we finish the first half of our fraternal year. Each year all K of C councils have two goals. The first goal is recruiting new members, and the second goal is adding four new insurance members. As of December 21 we had our goal of 11 new members with the addition of **Steven Libby** and **Donald Sluyter**. Both gentlemen went to Sacred Heart Church in the Village that evening and completed their First Degree.

The next step to full membership in our order is for all First Degree knights to complete the Second and Third Degrees, which most often means traveling to another council. This January 30 we will have a Second and Third Degree Exemplification at our hall, beginning at noon. **Those members who have not received these two degrees should plan to attend.** Those members in that category will receive a letter in early January with more details.

Please note that the January 13 council meeting will begin earlier than usual. The evening will get underway with a 6 o'clock dinner to be followed with a talk by St. John's School principal **Elizabeth Shackelford** with input from other St John's personnel. The topic will be the school. Please plan to attend and to arrive early. The ladies are invited.

While St. John's School has stabilized its enrollment, more students are needed to optimize the fixed costs of running the school. Many of us attended a Catholic school and benefited from the fine education received. When we were students, tuition often was either not required, modest in size, or offset by contributions in the church weekly collection. The Catholic school system offers a strong program which includes ethics, morality and the responsibility of caring and providing for oneself without expectation of others to provide for him. The Catholic schools also provide a strong base in Christian beliefs prohibited in public schools due to the "politically correct" movement in this country.

All Knights should aid in making certain that this high-value education is available to all. Perhaps we as Catholic gentlemen can find an additional way to assist our local Catholic school. Think about what we as knights can do in this regard. All ideas are welcome.

Last, in anticipation of the month following, I want to mention that our February meeting will also include a 6 p.m. dinner as we invite other Catholic men to see what we do and what we believe. Please extend your personal invitations to potential Knights for the February 10 dinner meeting. **Dennis Bosch, Grand Knight.**

Happy New Year, Y'all!



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Upcoming Second and Third Degree Exemplifications

The council has several long-standing First Degree Knights as well as some new First Degree members. These members should take advantage of this at-home opportunity to attain full membership as Third Degree members. Ordinarily, candidates have to travel some distance for this opportunity—to Conway, Jacksonville, or even farther. At this point, we know that recent First Degree members **Larry Martin** and **Charlie Cook** intend being present. We need more.

Welcome to new council members **Steve Libby** and **Don Sluyter**, who participated in the First Degree Exemplification in Hot Springs Village on Tuesday, December 21. They were accompanied by **Grand Knight Dennis Bosch**. We hope that Steve and Don will be able to join other Council 6419 First Degree members for their Second and Third Degree Exemplifications at our own council hall at noon on Sunday, January 30. Casual dress is appropriate. At the conclusion of the Exemplification, a light meal will be served.

Council's Business Members Provide Council Needs

Once again, Council 6419 is grateful to have some of its members with out-of-the-ordinary talent and generosity to answer the council's solicitations of help. **David and Rob Meeks** of Meeks Neon and Plastic Sign Manufacturing Company once again have come forward to assist the council. Members should remember that David and Rob donated the professional signs on the outside of *Spirit Hall* and *Reiter Hall* as well as an interior sign for *Spirit Hall*. Following the council's vote to put in place a prominent "No Trespassing" sign at the Spring Street entrance to council property, the brothers created such a sign for us. Furthermore, they will provide lettering and K.C. emblem for both sides of the new trailer.

We express our appreciation also to **Larry Nieman**, another faithful council member who, to our good fortune, is the owner of Arkansas Glass Company. Several times Larry has helped us when rummage sale mirrors, glass tops for coffee tables, etc. have been broken in handling. His glass donations have restored the value of otherwise worthless items. Please patronize the businesses of these men.

Fourth Degree—Footnotes

I especially want to express my appreciation to Don Sass, who chaired the December 11 Christmas Dinner and Dance and to all those who assisted Don in planning and setting up one of the best celebrations we've ever had. His help came especially from his wife **Liz, Dawn and Bill Thompson, Dennis and Sue Wood, Stan and Gwen DeGruccio, Jim and Barbara Reiter, Martha Lockwood, Joe Giompoletti, and Steve Barron**, who gave many hours and creativity to hall and table decorations. The hall was beautiful! Also, I express gratitude to **Louis and Vi Kosarek** for an extraordinarily good job in collecting a large number of very nice raffle items and a couple of impressive door prizes. It was altogether a lovely evening. Thanks to ticket sellers **Newton White, Louis Kosarek, Tom Gilleran, Bob Kortzenber, and Tony Torres**, who sold approximately 130 tickets for the evening of dining provided by *Belle Arti* and dance music by *Blue Velvet*. Finally, I must acknowledge the wonderful service provided by **St. John's Youth Minister Donna Rivard** and her youth group who performed magnificent service waiting tables. Thanks to Donna, they clearly knew what they were doing! Thanks to all for a memorable evening.

In lieu of a January business meeting, we will have a social at K. J.'s Grill on Airport Road beginning at 6:30 p.m. on January 20. All are welcome./**Bill Wavering, F.N.**



From Our Chaplain New Heart

New things attract our attention. So also the New Year. We often associate newness with the latest fashions in dress and jewelry, the most recent model cars and gadgets in the market, the current hits in music and films, and new discoveries in science and technology. It is common knowledge, however, that these new fashions, new models, and new styles have but a brief sway over us because they are susceptible to change and decay.

In contrast, if we can achieve a new heart by the transforming power of Christ, we will enjoy a new life altogether. This new heart will not be a passing novelty, for it will be the product of God's eternal and redemptive activity in and among us. Therefore, the New Year calls all Christians to seek a new birth in Christ so that we can always remain new, subject to the renewing power of the Living God, and become agents who can reform and reconstruct the human social order wherever and whenever it is found corrupt and inhumane.

The world today is in need of men and women with new hearts and new visions committed to a new value system and a new life system, men and women who are willing to be instruments of God to change the contemporary, archaic social order, which tends to sacrifice the well-being of millions of poor and lowly people at the altar of their own security and the affluence of a few. Jesus Christ posed this challenge to all His followers even from His crib when His first guests were the poor, lowly, and ignorant shepherds (*Luke 2:16*).

As we seek to bring about a renewal both in ourselves and in society, we must trust God who will not be wanting in His generous help and blessing to those who accept the Christian challenge that the New Year offers. God instructed Moses on how he was to bless the Israelites: "May Yahweh bless you and keep you; may Yahweh let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you." God has sent into our hearts the spirit of his son crying, "Abba, Father." (*Gal 4:6*) Hence we believe that God's mercy will never die and that the streams of his providence shall never be cut off as we journey through the New Year.

I wish you all a very happy New Year 2011./**Fr. Raja Chapidi**

Golf Tournament, continued

with Golf Handicap Index (GHIN). One hundred percent of the handicap will be given per score card. (A 36 handicapper may compete with a 10 handicapper. He will get a 16-shot advantage.)

Hans is planning a Hot Springs Council 6419 golf team, which will play at least once a month. For this purpose he has negotiated with Belvedere Golf Resort for a green fee, including cart, of \$20 in the cold months and \$25 during the regular golf season. These are special prices for the Knights of Council 6419. Reservations must be made directly either to **Tim Tallent**, GM, at 321-3591 or to Hans. An up-to-date Knights of Columbus membership card must be presented at check-in.

Hans also needs a captain for the Hot Springs team. This person may be a non-playing golfer. On the other hand, he may be an active player. His job will be to put teams together and, of course, to make certain that the host council wins the trophy.

The wish is that all of our golfers will participate in the monthly outings, not just for the benefit of the coming tournament but also for fun and fellowship.



- Scott & Sessie Hrdlicka
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January Birthdays

- 1 Louis Kosarek
- 3 Larry Heisserer
- 5 Larry Archer
- 6 Floyd Sherfield
- 7 Joe Dierks
- 7 Charles Elias
- 7 Bill Thompson
- 9 Jim Lockwood
- 11 Derek Monroe
- 17 Newton White
- 21 Dick Smith
- 23 Francis Klein
- 26 Hugh Truesdale
- 27 Joe Farrell
- 28 Bill Wavering
- 29 Larry Stamps

Pray for our Sick
Please pray for the following council members, wives/relatives, and council friends who struggle with health problems: **John Davis, Paul Ruckstuhl, Conrad Stein, Pam Dwyer, Frankie DeGeorge, Jolene Sharkey, Louis Turala, Pat Logan, Jim Maguire, Donna Hayes, Ed McManus, Ilse Purkott, Earl and DeDe Robbins, George and Sue Marshall, Mary Ellen Kagel, and Emily Kostka**

January Calendar

- 1 Council and Assembly Dues Payable
- 13 Council Meeting, 6 p.m. (see Grand Knight's article)
- 20 Forth Degree Assembly Meeting
- 22 K. C. Hoop-Shot Contest, Saturday, January 22, 9 a.m., St. John's Gym
- 30 Second and Third Degree Exemplification, K. C. Hall, Noon (See article, p. 2)



Knights of Columbus Hoop-Shoot Schedule Coming Up

Parents, bring your children, ages 10-14, to participate in the Knights of Columbus-sponsored Free-Throw Contest on **Saturday, January 22 at 9 a.m. in St. John's Gym**. Separate contests for each age group and separate for boys and girls will be conducted. **Youth Chairman Mark Layton** needs several volunteers to help with this tournament. Please call Mark at 545-9830 or e-mail him at markjlayton@gmail.com to volunteer. All participants must submit birth certificate and entry form signed by parent or guardian.

Winners in each category (10 winners) will advance to district competition, also at St. John's Gym, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, February 19.



From Our Insurance Agent Brother Knights—Fathers for Good

If you're like me, you derive great joy from your children. It's a great feeling when a teacher, coach, or fellow parent compliments you on your child.

We all know that raising children these days is no easy task, especially when the values we're trying to instill in them—concern for others, accepting responsibility for their actions, saving money rather than spending it—seem to run counter to what society is teaching them. Yet these are exactly the values that tend to draw compliments from teachers, coaches, and fellow parents.

We also know that the best way to teach is by example. If you carry enough life insurance to protect your family, and if you share with your older children why that's important, you're exhibiting and imparting many of the values you hope your children will absorb.

You'll show by example that you love them and are concerned about their welfare. You'll show them that you take your responsibility to provide for your family seriously, and that you want to make sure they're provided for even if you're not around. And you'll show them that investing money in your life insurance protection is more important than the new set of golf clubs you might want, the newest and best home theater system you've had your eye on, or whatever else for which you might be sacrificing in order to pay the premiums.

Sure, they'll probably roll their eyes at you as you're explaining this, and they'll certainly moan and groan if they can't get the newest CD, video game, or piece of clothing. But they learn from what you do—just as they learn from what you don't do. What lessons do you want to teach them?

I want to meet with you to review your existing coverage. Based upon that review and the comprehensive needs analysis that I'll perform, free of charge, we'll be able to put into place a plan that will meet your needs, goals, and budget.

I'm at 501-204-9486 or randy.schnoebelen@kofc.org. Call me—let's talk./**Randy Schnoebelen, FICF**

A Brother Knight Helping You and Your Loved Ones.