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Looking Ahead: Vocations Celebration

Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Religious Vocations Celebration on Friday, August 3, with a Social Hour at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m., and the program at 7:50 PM at Giompoletti Hall, 3045 Spring Street in Hot Springs. **Bishop Anthony Taylor** will be the guest of honor along with priests, sisters, and seminarians. The charge is \$25 per person and the event is open to the public. The Hot Springs Catholic Youth Group, directed by Youth Director **Donna Rivard**, will serve the tables. Music will be a portion of the program. **Joe Giompoletti**, assisted by **Robert Rowe** and **George Schwass**, will cater what once again will be a dinner to remember. Purchase tickets at St. John's office or call **Newton White** or **Vickie Stanley** for tickets.



Council Plans Blood Drive

Chairman Zack Nehus announces a council blood drive to be held in St. John's Gym on July 29 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. With the need for blood so great, council members, their wives, and others, if able, are encouraged to come forth on that day to answer the call.



Golf....And More Golf!

Council 6419 is pleased to announce that on June 16 its team of **Hans Purkott, Larry Martin, Greg Speas, and Frank Janeskie** successfully defended its Arkansas Knights of Columbus Champion Cup, bringing home the trophy on consecutive years. The foursome finished with a gross score of 384 strokes, net (less handicap) 289. That was enough to beat the second place Village team by three strokes. Our council entered four teams. The event took place in the Village.

Upon completion of the competition, the participants were treated to another fine barbecue dinner from the grill of chef extraordinaire **Joe Giompoletti**.

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Now, with **Hans Purkott** once again chairing the event, we turn our attention to the fourth annual Charity Golf Outing for St. John's

School to be played at DeGray State Park on August 25. We will need participation by a lot of four-person teams if we are at least to equal last year's intake of \$8100 (including dinner profits). Once again a great breakfast will be served and a top-notch barbecue lunch will follow at noon. And once again **Chuck Wagon Joe Giompoletti** will tantalize the palates. Sign up! Don't miss this once-a-year charity event. Eighty percent of proceeds will go to St. John's School, the remainder going for council needs. As in the past, prizes will be awarded.



Grand Knight's Report

On July 1 the new Knights of Columbus fraternal year begins. We say goodbye to our outgoing officers and let the new inductees begin their duties. I think it is only fitting to look down memory lane to see what has been accomplished under the leadership of Grand Knight **Dennis Bosch** and his officers.

Major renovation occurred inside and out of the meeting hall. First on the agenda was to change the name to J. Giompoletti Hall. **Joe** has spent many hours working with the knights and on the hall itself. **Joe** and his gifted craftsmen, including **Don Sass, Tom Gilleran, Bill Thompson, and Dick Smith**, covered the entrance with an enchanting lighted canopy. Inside they built a coat closet and installed new ceiling lights. The ladies made exquisite pull drapery and purchased chair covers to add elegance to any formal function held at the hall. Outside, the statue of the Blessed Mother Mary was placed in the center of a rose garden created by **Iturba Percefull**. The wooded area alongside George Marshall Way was cleared of underbrush and selected trees, making it's sight to behold instead of an undeveloped drive-by.

We've enjoyed continued success in our fund-raising events. The funds are always used for the good of the parishes, St. John's School, and our community. The Rummage Sale has grown by leaps and bounds, thanks to all our knights and ladies who give their time and talent so generously. In the last two years we have broken our record as to the monies raised. We continue to commit to our old stand-by events such as the Rummage Sale, the pancake breakfasts, the spaghetti dinners, the Tootsie Roll Drive, the St. Patrick's Day dinner, and the Fourth Degree Christmas Dinner/Dance. However, we have added some new fund-raisers as well. **Hans Purkott** produced a delightful dinner theater production entitled, "Murder at the Last Chance Saloon" with a barbecue dinner courtesy of "**Chuckwagon Joe**" [**Giompoletti**]. We have also developed the Vocation Celebration to help with the expenses incurred by the seminarians. We have promoted and participated in two golf tournaments. We have sold "Keep Christ in Christmas" magnets and helped finance billboards, along with Hot Springs Village Knights and the Benton Council with the same message. During Lent our council, led by **Mark Layton**, had two fish fry events following Stations of the Cross to benefit our council-sponsored charities.

By doing all these events, we can continue on our mission of charity. We can continue to help financially our local charities. We give scholarships to a deserving high school student. We provided an ultrasound machine to the pregnancy crisis center "Change Point," helping to change the minds of young girls from having an abortion to saving the life of her unborn child. We continue to serve our community with

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Grand Knight's article, continued

monthly donations to Jackson House, Project Hope (Food Bank), Charitable Christian Medical Clinic, The Caring Place (Alzheimer's day care), Samaritan Ministries, and Hot Springs Housing Authority. We are committed to helping the needy—the homeless, the sick, and the bereaved. The knights should be proud of their service outside the parishes.

We have knights serving the community in many other ways. Some serve on various committees and volunteer their time in other areas of our community. From the Hot Springs Documentary Film Festival, the Hot Springs St. Patrick's Day Parade, and the Search for the Cure for Cancer. Some may not know that council member **Mike Tucker** is president of Lake Hamilton School Board. Congratulations to Mike. We're proud of his service.

We new officers have a bright future ahead of us, thanks to those who have laid the ground work before us.

Induction of new officers will take place at the July 12 council meeting with **District Deputy Roy Anderle** of Mena present to conduct the ceremony. This will be at 6:30 p.m. in Giompoletti Hall. Following the induction we will enjoy a potluck dinner and finish with a quick business meeting in the rear of the Hall. Please invite wives and guests to attend this occasion and to bring their favorite dish to share. The council will provide the meat./**Newton White, Grand Knight-elect**

Fourth Degree—Footnotes

Our Fourth Degree Assembly participated in the annual Corpus Christi Procession from St. John's Church to St. Mary's Church on June 10, marching through downtown Hot Springs. Assembly members in regalia were **Steve Gallimore**, carrying the American flag, **Zack Nehus**, carrying the Vatican flag, **Bob Koch, Mike Tucker, Tony Torres, and Don Sass. Father West** carried the Eucharist. The procession ended with a worship service at St. Mary's.

At the June 21 Assembly meeting, **Joe Giompoletti** moved that the large cross across the parking lot from the council hall be relocated to a spot directly across from *Reiter Hall*. The feeling is that in its present location few people see the cross or spend time there. Positioning it near the entrance to the property should make it more accessible. The Assembly is taking on the project to move the cross to the new location, to establish grass around it, to provide lighting to highlight the cross, and to provide water for the new grass.

The July 19 meeting will be a 6:30 social with wives at the Blue Monkey Grill with **Jack Andrews** hosting./**Don Sass, Faithful Navigator**

Catholic Daughters, Court #2656 Organizes

Catholic Daughters of America, Court #2656 Mother of Divine Mercy, one of five Courts from Arkansas recently held an organizational ceremony at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Hot Springs. Twenty-three ladies took the oath and listened to an explanation of their jobs and their robes. The newly installed Daughters learned about the colors of the robes, the symbols on the robes, both local and state and their significance. **Father James West**, St. John's pastor, gave the Daughters a blessing. This new court is currently comprised of ladies from both St. John's and St. Mary's parishes in Hot Springs. Any Catholic woman, 18 years and older who loves and supports the Church, is invited to pick up one of the CDA brochures located in the back of both parish churches or to contact **Regent Linda Kay Vandenberg White** at her home

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A Message from Seminarian George Sanders

On June 24 we celebrated the nativity of St. John the Baptist. He was a bit of an unusual sort. Born to necessarily doting parents who were probably old enough to be his great-grandparents, he came into this world through divine appointment. Like our Lord, he too lives his early years in historical obscurity. And also like our Lord, he entered his public ministry at the waters of the Jordan. John was a rugged individual who lived off the land, eating locusts and wild honey and wearing a camel's-hair robe with a leather belt. His garb recalled images of Elijah, who Jesus would later say came in the very person of John. He was a prophet, and, yes, the greatest prophet that had ever come to Israel. And as we all know, prophets are an unusually unruly gaggle. Little do they care about decorum. They feel they can talk directly to anyone, regardless of his wealth or social standing. Nor do they understand that some things are never discussed in polite company (like politics and religion). One of the most troubling things about them is that they never seem to see the true genius of compromise, insisting that objective truth exists even in areas of morals and ethics. A really troublesome lot if one finds himself on the wrong side of the Torah.

Truth is a volatile thing. It can be so difficult to handle when its presence removes the pretenses and airs with which we often clothe ourselves, showing us to be morally naked and culpable, more to be pitied than praised. Such was the case with Herod. John publicly called his hand by saying that he was living illegitimately with his half-brother's wife. John of course knew that he was poking the hornet's nest with a stick and that Kind Herod the Tetrarch was a powerful man who would surely level his wrath on John's head (which ultimately happened). But John was one of those black-or-white guys, and it did not matter if you were his brother, his enemy, or the king; he called them as he saw them, regardless of how he thought the message would be received or what the ultimate cost would be. That is a sign of a true prophet.

Over the last few years I have noted many times when our Bishops have been prophetic. Most recently when the UCCB under the leadership of **Archbishop Timothy Cardinal Dolan** stepped forward to say that our religious liberties, which are a sacred right in our great nation, are under attack. Archbishop Dolan, like John the Baptist before him, courageously took up his stick and poked the hornet's nest. Even some of those within his own flock seem to wonder why he would do that. Cardinal Dolan, like John the Baptist before him, could have looked the other way and avoided a fight, but that is not the way of a prophet. If a father has reason to believe there is a snake in the wood pile, he cannot say, "Let's just wait and see. If anyone gets bitten, then we will know for sure and then we will do something." When a real father sees the threat of danger, he goes to the wood pile and puts his person at risk until he either finds and kills the snake or assures himself that there is no real threat. You don't take chances with your family's safety.



Flag Day: Flags Wave Over Calvary

Several members from Council 6419 showed up early on June 14, Flag Day, to raise flags at Calvary Cemetery. Those present for the 7 a.m. event were **Don Sass, Bob Koch, Dennis Wood, Lou Kosarek, Iturba Percefull, Bill Thompson, Chase King, Ed King, Dennis Bosch, Joe Dierks, Newton White, Joe Giompoletti, Jim Reiter, Bob Kortenber, Julian Post, and Lennie Buchholz. Tom Gilleran**, the chairman of this event, was absent due to surgery. In his stead, was **Don Sass**, who organized the event. Returning at 4 p.m. to lower the flags and put them away were **Don Sass, Bill Thompson, Joe Dierks, Bob Kortenber, Julian Post, Chase King, Ed King, Iturba Percefull, Dennis Wood, and Newton White.**

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July Birthdays

- 4 Greg Speas
- 6 John Ledbetter
- 7 Leonard Didier
- 10 Robert Rowe
- 11 Richard Boyes
- 11 Joe Giompoletti
- 12 Don Pullen
- 12 Ben Van Wagner
- 14 Tom Gilleran
- 14 Joe Harrison
- 15 David Johnson
- 22 Stan DeGruccio
- 24 Tommy Tobin, Jr.
- 25 Ralph Berdikoski
- 31 Leonard Buccholz

Pray for our Sick

Please pray for the following council members, wives/relatives, and council friends who struggle with health problems: **Charles and Geraldine Smith, Dawn Thompson, Hayley Glory, Stephen Stoddard, Marge Knoth, Valerie Poe, Deacon Dave Briselden, Ruth Heithaus (deceased), Rick Sands, Conrad Stein, Jolene Sharkey, Jim Maguire, DeDe Robbins, George and Sue Marshall, Mary Ellen Kagel, Laura Mazzia, and Doris Reis.**

July Calendar

- 12 Officers Meeting, Giompletti Hall, 6:00 p.m.
- 12 Council Meeting, followed by induction of officers and potluck dinner, Giompoletti Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 19 Fourth Degree Social, Blue Monkey Grill, 6:30 p.m. (see article, p.2)
- 29 Blood Drive, St. John's Gym, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. (see article, p. 1)

Catholic Daughters Organize, continued

(501-262-3347, cell 501-622-0485, or e-mail at geniedarl@yahoo.com) for more information or to join the new court. Further information can be found on their website www.catholicdaughters.org.

Catholic Daughters established their first court in Utica, New York, with the assistance of Knights of Columbus. To this day both groups share many ideals. Both groups have strong Pro-Life convictions and can be widely seen at local, state, and national Pro-Life events. CDA is one of the largest national organizations with over 85,000 Catholic women in 1250-plus courts in 42 states and 6 countries. CDA's motto Unity and Charity mirrors Knights of Columbus. The CDA emblem is the cross and crown, symbolizing the promised reward to the faithful. Daughters are dedicated to the CDA patroness, the Blessed Mother.

From Our Insurance Agent: Striving for Star Council Again

As we welcome a new fraternal year, we congratulate Worthy Grand Knight **Newton White** and all the other dedicated knights elected and appointed to lead this great council. The coming year will be full of triumphs and challenges, and I know you'll meet this with the strength and faithfulness of those before you.

I'm sure you have a list of goals and objectives that you intend to accomplish this year, building upon the success of previous years. You have my assurance that I'm eager to help.

Among these many goals is the attainment of the Star Council Award—the most prestigious award the Order offers at the council level. While I'm committed to helping on the insurance side, I'm also very glad to help on the membership side as well.

If you know an eligible Catholic man who might be interested in joining the Order as many of us do, he's probably waiting to be asked. I can help you, either by approaching him myself or by teaching you some sales skills that you can use to recruit him and other prospects. As always, I'm at your service.

Let's get an early start on attaining those goals and objectives that are so critical to the growth of any council.

I'm at 501-204-9486. randy.schnoebelen@kofc.org. Call me.

Fraternally,
Randy Schnoebelen, FICF

Hans Purkott wishes to thank all those who have prayed for the recovery of his wife **Ilse**. "She is remarkably improved," Hans reports. An implant of a remarkably improved pacemaker has had dramatic effect. Previously her kidneys were shutting down. Now, the improved blood circulation has done wonders.. The Purkotts are grateful.