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Grand Knight’s Article

The regularly scheduled business meeting was conducted May 9 at *Giompletti Hall* with 41 knights present including 12 officers and **State Deputy Michael Kieffer**, who was present to award Council 6419 the Large Council of the year Award and the 2013 Culture of Life Award. These awards are determined on the state level. Thanks to all the hard work and community service performed by our council and the superb documentation by **Recorder Charlie Cook**, we received the top honors at the Knights of Columbus State Convention held in Jonesboro in late April. **Chancellor Bob Koch and I** were council delegates to the Convention. Not only was our council recognized; District 10 Deputy, **Roy Anderle**, received the District Deputy of the Year Award.

New council officers, elected at the May 9 meeting, will be

installed at the June 13 council meeting. New officers are **Father Innocent**, Chaplain; **Newton White**, Grand Knight; **William “Andy” Anderson**, Deputy Grand Knight; **Bob Koch**, Chancellor; **Mike Tucker**, Advocate; **Joe Dierks**, Financial Secretary (appointed by Supreme Office); **Charlie Cook**, Recorder; **Zack Nehus**, Treasurer; **Hans Purkott**, Warden; **Ed King**, Inside Guard; **Bill Thompson**, Outside Guard; and **Jim Reiter**, Lecturer. Serving as Trustees are **Dennis Bosch**, One Year; **Dennis Wood**, Two Year; and **Randy Schnoebelen**, Three Year.

Our first Corporate Communion at St. Mary’s last month was so successful that we are adding additional pews when we have our June 16 Corporate Communion at the 10 a.m. Mass at St. John’s. Please wear your

name tag and join us with your family on the 16th.

We recently learned that **Father Norbert**, pastor of the Mena church, is being transferred to Mountain Home.

Summer, with its hot weather, vacations, visits from children and grandchildren, and assorted other events, is quickly approaching. Let’s keep in mind those less fortunate by not falling behind in our support, both physical and financial, to those causes we hold near and dear. Poverty, hunger, abuse, and homelessness do not take a vacation. “And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.’” *Matthew 25:40*/**Newton White, Grand Knight**

August 24 Charity Golf Tournament: Plan

For the fifth consecutive year, **Chairman Hans Purkott** has his plans underway for our Charity Golf Tournament to benefit St. John’s School. The site of choice is DeGray St. Park for its superior greens. The entry fee is \$85. For a hole-in-one there will be two prizes: a five-day golf outing for two at Myrtle Beach

and five days for three people at Pebble Beach. There will also be a putting contest, with the prize undetermined but perhaps a trip to Hawaii (see July *Knight Watch*).

Once again we can count on **Chuck wagon Joe Giompoletti** to provide his famous barbecue lunch.

Hans is counting on getting all our golfers involved in this fundraiser venture. Our teams have grown from four teams the first year to 24 teams last year. My goal this year is to have 100 players making up 25 teams. You must help me reach that goal! Will Hans achieve his goal? Knowing Hans, he will achieve his goal.

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Explaining the local council's second-place finish in the Golf Challenge, Chairman Hans says, "It was a matter of young knights taking the crown from 'the old timers.'"



"You should have no difficulty printing this in very readable form."

Uh-Oh! Council Golf Team Relinquishes Trophy

Fifty-eight knights from seven councils—a record number—participated in the third annual Arkansas Knights of Columbus Golf Cup Challenge at Belvedere Country Club. Unfortunately, the Council 6419 team of **Chairman Hans Purkott, Greg Speas, Steve Libby, and Larry Martin** yielded the championship trophy to the team from the Morrilton Council 5209—**Matt Zimmerman, Paul Zimmerman, David Zimmerman, and Allen Andrew**. [These names suggest it was pretty much a family effort for the Morrilton council.] the Purcott team had won the trophy the previous two years, and coming in second this year

with a score of 66, relinquished the championship with stiff resistance. "It was a matter of young knights taking the crown from 'the old timers,'" Hans insisted. But with humility he congratulates the winning team. Four teams participated from Council 6419 and the Village Council provided six teams.

Following the Morrilton and Hot Springs Councils, other councils finished in this order: Council 10208 from Christ the King Parish in Little Rock with a score of 67, Council 10208 from the Hot Springs Village with a score of 67 (losing to Christ the King by score card playoff), Council 10208 from Benton with a score of 69, Council 6253 from North Little Rock with a

Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem: May they prosper who love you.

score of 71, and Council 13829 from Siloam Springs with a score of 72.

Hans wishes to thank all the participating councils and their golfers for coming to Hot Springs to contribute to the fellowship. Next year the winning Morrilton council will host the Golf Challenge Cup competition.

Along with the fun we enjoyed, our efforts brought in, after expenses, approximately **\$600** to our Diocesan Seminarian Fund. Not bad!



Council and Assembly Honor Mary

with Traditional Living Rosary

On the evening of May 23, our Council and Fourth Degree Assembly with wives and other guests came together at *Giampoletti Hall* to recite a Living Rosary. The

Assembly members in regalia introduced each decade of the rosary while others individually recited a Hail Mary on each rosary bead.

Following the rosary devo-

tion, those present enjoyed a potluck dinner, compliments of our wives who always treat us with their fine dishes.

New Name, New Format

Probably the first thing you noticed when you opened this June newsletter is a new name and a very different appearance. I hope you like it.

To be sure, it has advantages. As for the new title, while I love the fine play on words with "Knight" and "Night," I feel that "Watch" is much more related to news collecting than the

word "Shift." The new format will allow me easily to adjust columns and to add or delete pages. It also allows the use of more pictures (although I don't have that ability this month as I prepare this newsletter at my daughter's home in Virginia.) You'll note that ads appear in different locations and that

they can be separated from each other and freely moved about, also enabling the newsletter to use an indefinite number of ads (and sponsors). Finally, you should have no difficulty printing this in very readable form./**Jim Lockwood, Editor**

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From Deacon George Sanders: *The Dandelion*



As the sun peered over the pine-clad mountains, its warming rays awakened the lone dandelion in the valley below. As the dandelion surveyed the quiet valley

beside the rolling stream, he raised his face toward the sky and thanked God for the grace of a new day and all the blessings that it would bring. He loved his life. Just the right amount of shade. His roots tenderly embraced the rich, black soil of an old river bed, where he never had to thirst for water and the ground was full of nutrients left by the river that used to flow through there centuries before. Life seemed perfect...until....

It was a blustery May day when the dandelion first saw the boy. There he was frolicking with his dog down by the creek. Catching tadpoles, skipping rocks, trying to grab the crawdads just so, to avoid the sharp, grasping claws that whirled frantically through the air,

trying to avenge the unexpected disturbance of his sunning slumber. But then, all of a sudden, the boy turned and fixed his gaze on the dandelion and a curious smile spread across his face. His eyes flashed with excitement as he made a bee line for the target of his boyish interest. The dandelion could only watch as the boy plucked his head and stem from the ground and—poof—in a puff he was scattered to the four winds as the boy giggled with glee.

The devastated dandelion droned to himself in dismay. Why did this happen to me? Just when everything was perfect. All the time that I spent growing and maturing, trying to live a good life, I didn't take all the moisture from the rich soil. No, I always made sure my neighbors, the grass and flowers, also had plenty for themselves. When the ants wanted to climb my tall stem to get a better view of the field, I didn't complain. When the beetle scurried to hide under my leaves when the crow flew over, I offered my protection. If God really loves me, why did he let that boy hurt me?

Well, the next few days passed slowly for the disparaged dandelion. The sun rose and set. The rains came, just as before, and freed the nutrients in the soil so the dandelion's roots could draw them up into its body and push them up to the leaves, there to join the sun once again in the mysterious miracle of photosynthesis and provide food and health to the recovering plant. In a relatively short time, a new stem had appeared. Then came the flower and finally another soft, gentle seed head appeared. This time when the dandelion looked around, something was different. He was not alone. Not far from him other dandelions had begun to grow in his valley. And as he strained his flowing white head to see a little better, he heard the

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Fourth Degree—Footnotes



The Fourth Degree Assembly raises 18 flags over Calvary Cemetery on eight patriotic holidays each year.

The Fourth Degree Assembly held its monthly business meeting on May 16 at which time membership elected officers for the 2013-14 fraternal year. The officers currently holding positions committed to hold their offices for another year, and there were no objections. We appreciate continued service from these gentlemen.

On May 28 the newly elected officers participated in a joint installation with the new officers of the Village Assembly at Sacred Heart Church. **State Master Russ Anzalone** traveled from Bella Vista to conduct the installation. Before the ceremony everyone enjoyed a fine lasagna



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dinner prepared by Home Plate Café topped off by **Father Bill Elser's** famous ice cream.

Eighteen flags were raised at Calvary Cemetery on May 27 in commemoration of Memorial Day. **Tom Gilleran** chairs this council activity on patriotic holidays: Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, and Pearl Harbor. The flags go up at 7 a.m. and come down at 4 p.m. We are fortunate to have these men who have dedicated themselves to upholding patriotism, so vital to the purpose of Fourth Degree. The Daughters of the American Revolution honored our Assembly with a certificate for its ongoing display of patriotism. **Chairman Tom Gilleran** accepted the award on behalf of the Assembly. The next flag raising is set for June 14.

Fourth Degree members in regalia will march in the June 2 Feast of Corpus Christi procession. Departing from St. John's Church at 4 p.m., carrying both the American and Vatican flags, they will lead the procession

Council Charity:2012-13

As a direct result of its past year's service programs, Council 6419 significantly increased its services to the needy in Garland County, such as a Pro-Life donation of both an ultra-sound machine, plus cash to train the technicians, at the local **Change Point Pregnancy Care Center**, mul-



iple Community Activities Program focused on assisting both the elderly and the needy, Church and Religious Education activities, highlighted by hosting a local Religious Vocatio Celebration Dinner with **Bishop Anthony Taylor**, and conducting a very successful

fund-raising event to help their brother Knights and their families who were the victims of Super Storm Sandy in both New York and New Jersey.

Hot Springs' K of C Council 6419's contributions totaled **\$62,198** and they volunteered **12,347 hours** as they provided their 2012-2013 charitable events.

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through the streets of Hot Springs to St. Mary of the Springs Church. **Bishop Anthony Taylor**, accompanied by **Fr. James West**, carried the Body of Christ within the monstrance beneath the canopy.

The next scheduled Assembly event will be a social beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Ruby Tuesday Restaurant on June 20. Come early to order from the menu. Ruby Tuesday participates in a 20 percent give-back program to the United Way of Garland County. Come out and show your support!/**Don Sass, Faithful Navigator**

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A Message from the New Haven Supreme Office

On August 1, people of faith, family-owned businesses, and charitable institutions will be forced to pay for sterilizations, contraceptions, and abortion-causing drugs in violation of their deeply-held religious beliefs and moral convictions. This development comes as a result of a Department of Health and Human Services mandate that requires all of these objectionable interventions be included in every health insurance plan, with very few narrow exceptions.

People of faith must send a very

clear message to Congress that they support religious freedom and rights of conscience. Representative Diane Black of Tennessee has introduced the Health Care Conscience Rights Act (H.R. 940) which protects individuals and organizations from being forced to violate their religious belief or moral convictions. Please act today to contact your elected representatives.

Time is running short for Congress to protect the conscience rights of all Americans. Our representatives will respond if they hear from us that reli-



gious freedom is a right. Encourage your fellow parishioners, friends, and family to contact Congress. As Knights we should do everything possible to ensure that Americans do not lose their cherished rights to religious freedom.

To all fathers out there, Happy Father's Day! And God's pardon to all of our fathers who have passed on.

From Our Insurance Agent: Long Term Care Insurance

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, **long-term care insurance** has provided the Knights of Columbus with an **excellent opportunity to further serve** members and their families. And, for our long-term care clients in the United States, a **K of C Care policy brings added value.**

That **added value** is in the form of a service called "**Provider Pathway**," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network covers home health care, personal emergency response systems, adult day care, assisted living, skilled nursing facilities and durable medical equipment.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus Long Term Care Insurance policyholders, **their spouses, dependent**

children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you *haven't yet spoken* with your professional Knights of Columbus agent about long-term care insurance, you owe it to yourself to do so. There are **many decisions to make in choosing a plan** – benefit amounts and durations, facility only plan or one that covers home health care, and the length of the 'waiting period' before benefits kick-in are just a few of the items you'll need to consider.

Have a **professionally trained** agent --- and a Brother Knight you can Trust at that --- to **help you** through the process is yet another valuable benefit that comes with your Knights of Columbus membership. *Take advantage of it!* *A Brother Knight helping you protect you and your loved ones.!*

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Charity Golf Tournament, continued

But to do so, he must have your cooperative help. Remember this: you can't invest \$85 anywhere else and expect the same results. Last year the average award was over \$100. Hans' team—**David Meyers, Bob Koch, Ed King, and Charlie Cook**—will do its best to entice local businesses to donate to our tournament, especially the local

restaurants to donate at least four gift certificates of \$25 each. All of you knights can help with this endeavor. For the businesses, there is a lot of advertising value. For

a **Gold Sponsorship, \$250**, (10 \$25 gift certificates) a business will receive the following exposure: (1) a thank-you advertisement in *the Sentinel Record* (2) a hole sign with only the sponsor's name on a tee box (3) the sponsor's contact information listed in the St. John's School newspaper and also in the church bulletins of St. John's, St. Mary's, and Sacred Heart Churches. A **Silver Sponsorship, \$100**, (4 \$25 gift certificates) a sponsor will receive a hole sign listing business name along with names of several other businesses on a tee box and the sponsor's contact information listed in the three church bulletins listed above.

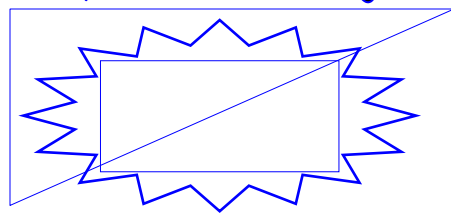
Follow any updates on this major fundraiser as the summer progresses.



June Calendar

- 2 Corpus Christi Procession, 4 p.m. from St. John's Catholic Church
- 13 Meeting, *Giampoletti Hall*, 6:30 p.m.
- 14 Flag Raising, Calvary Cemetery, 7:30 a.m.
- 16 Corporate Communion, St. John's Church, 10 a.m.
- 20 Fourth Degree Dinner Social, Ruby Tuesday Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.

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June Birthdays



- 3 Jerry Jennings
- 3 Mark Webber
- 6 Jeffrey Seikel
- 9 Frank Maxwell
- 16 Bob Koch
- 20 John Baltz
- 20 Kevin Tuohy
- 21 Ron Martineau
- 23 Fr. Alan Rosenau
- 24 Bob Kness
- 27 Edwin Medley
- 28 Hayden Dwyer
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The Dandelion, continued

wind whisper that these new plants were there because of that fateful day when the precocious boy had plucked his stem and sent his glorious mane floating in the breeze. Life begins with suffering. It has always been like this since the world was created. A seed never grows until it is pressed down into the soil and there germinates, only then to fight its way back up to the surface through rocks, clods, sticks and leaves until it can breathe the air of new life. Life comes from suffering; I don't know why that is so, but it has always been like that.

In my times of suffering and pain in this life, Lord, help me to remember that the things that surprise me the most do not surprise you at all but are often your unperceived hand working your perfect will in and through me. Help me to trust that whatever comes my way will ultimately lead me into your presence and that often suffering is the seed of salvation. Help me to remember what you meant when you said, "In all truth I tell you, unless a wheat grain fails into the earth and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies it yields a rich harvest." (John 12:24)

Memorial Day Flags



Fourteen knights and a grandson reported to Calvary Cemetery at 7 a.m. on Memorial Day to display the flags. Present were **Tom Gilleran, Dick Smith, Leonard Buccholz, Trevor Millsap** (Leonard's grandson), **Larry Barner, George Schwass, Jim Reiter, Joe Dierks, Harold Hager, Dennis Bosch, Mike Tucker, Louis Kosarek, Bob Koch, and Zack Nehus.** Tom brought coffee and Dick Smith donuts for the social before raising the flags. At 4 p.m. Tom, Joe, Trevor, Leonard, Dennis Bosch, Bob, and George were joined by **Dennis Wood** and **Newton White** to take down the flags. It is reported that there was considerable grumbling resulting from someone's failure to bring the expected keg.

"In all truth I tell you, unless a wheat grain fails into the earth and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies it yields a rich harvest." (John 12:24)

Who forgot to bring the keg?

Next flag raising is Flag Day on June 14.