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HOT SPRINGS COUNCIL 6419

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## Grand Knight's Article

Months come and go so quickly. It seems that we just celebrated Christmas, Easter is already a memory.

A council highlight for March is the exemplary work completed by **Charlie Cook** for the state council (and for Council 6419!): 22-plus pages of reports on council events related to six categories of Council 6419 activities: Church, Community, Council, Pro-Life, Family, and Youth. Charlie submitted multiple activities for each category and was promptly asked by the State to pare it down to one event per category. How nice that we have to choose from multiple involvements. Charlie, you will get a pat on the back from all of us for the quick turnaround in getting the corrected report back to **Conrad Delapaz**, the State Program Director. Was it a one-day turn-around, Charlie? He had it returned before many of the councils had even submitted their first copy. Our selected activities for state competition? **Church:** Vocation Celebration, **Community:** Rummage Sales, **Council:** Exemplifications, **Pro**

**-Life:** Baby Bottle Campaign, **Family:** St. Patrick's Day with Bishop Taylor, **Youth:** Golf Tournament with proceeds to St. John's School.

On March 31 council member **Danny Morrison**, Chairman of last fall's Drive for People with Disabilities (Tootsie Roll Drive) presented a check of \$3575 to **First Step School** Executive Director **Brett Chancellor**. First Step is a local school for handicapped pupils. The "**I Can Dance**" organization for handicapped youngsters also was the recipient of \$500 from the Tootsie Roll Drive as was **Arkansas Special Olympics**

The annual council Baby Bottle Campaign has wound down. Thanks to our efforts and those of generous parishioners of St. John's and St. Mary's Churches, we were able to present \$8000 for the work of Change Point, the local pregnancy crisis center. Congratulations to council member **David Myers**, who chaired another highly successful campaign. Our efforts, which have included the donation of an ultra-

sound machine, are designed to discourage abortions. We are gratified each year to learn the number of babies saved as a result of ultrasound imaging. We thank all for their great effort.

Council 6419 has joined in with other state councils to raffle a fine Chevy Colorado pickup truck with proceeds going toward support of our diocesan seminarians, currently about 40 of them. Work horses **George Purifoy** and **Danny Morrison** stepped forward to take the lead in local ticket sales. Tickets sell for \$10 each. Sales will end at the end of this month, and the drawing will be the end of May. On a recent Sunday the truck was parked in front of the St. John's Parish Hall as robust ticket sales took place. Sales at St. John's totaled a bit more than \$3000 and with the sales from St. Mary's added in, the total was \$5000. **Roy Anderel** K of C State Treasurer from Mena **continued, p. 2**

## Arkansas Knights of Columbus Convention to Meet in Hot Springs

Hot Springs Council 6419 joins Hot Springs Village Council 10208 and Benton Council 9396 to host the 108th Arkansas Knights of Columbus State Convention at the Arlington Hotel in Hot Springs on Friday, April 29 through Sunday, May 1, 2016. It

promises to be an exciting event for the entire family because it will be held in Arkansas' #1 vacation destination. In addition to our Convention business activities, there are fun-filled events planned for children, ladies and Knights.

Friday night will feature a social, a live band, and a dance in the Arlington Hotel's Grand Ballroom. Children will be treated to **continued, p. 5**

## Grand Knight, continued

said that no other Arkansas church could match Hot Springs sales. Great job, **George and Danny**. Then an untimely accident befell George. Falling from a ladder, he broke his leg, ending his sales career. But don't expect an unfortunate accident to cut into the successful sales campaign.

**Joe Giampoletti's** newest project is a complete replacement of the counter and cabinets in the kitchen in **Giampoletti Hall**. Joe and his right-hand man **Don Sass** are in the completion stage. **Bob Koch** and **Chuck Pavlovich** responded to a request for painters and are presently involved in painting Joe and Don's finished cabinet.

Council 6419 is presently involved in preparations for the annual Arkansas Knights of Columbus Convention scheduled to unfold here in Hot Springs late this month. **[See separate article, p. 1]** Our ladies seem never to slow down when called on for help. They have stepped up to decorate the Arlington Hotel for the Convention. They were given a budget and so far they are holding to it. The old Alka-Selter ad fits in well here: How did it go? "Oh, what a relief it is!" This is not the only area where they will be sharing their talents. These special ladies are **Evelyn Worsham** (Glenn), **Cheryl King** (Ed) and **Carole Cook**

(Charlie). they are working to make sure the state banquet has a meal fit for a king (or, more fitting, the Pope!)

The Truck Raffle, discussed earlier, will also be in focus at the State Convention. The truck will be prominently displayed inside the Arlington that weekend. April 29 and 30th as well as May 1st.

Another important council event this month was the Flag Raising on St. Patrick's Day at Calvary Cemetery. Participating were **Joe Dierks, Danny Morrison, Wally Marroy**, **New-continued, p. 8**

## Fourth Degree—Footnotes

**Tulip Social:** An informal Sunday noon picnic social is scheduled for April 3 at Garvan Woodland Gardens. There is a \$15 per person entrance fee for everyone except those with Garvan Gardens memberships who enter free. Bring your own lunch and we can walk through the tulips together. Over a million flowers are in bloom. If you cannot walk, there are golf cart tours available for \$15 a person. Of course this event is heavily weather dependent, so if the weather is rainy or cold, we will cancel. The forecast at this time is for a bright sunny day and a high of 70. We can meet at 12:30, enjoy a leisurely lunch and then stroll (or ride) through the gardens at our own pace. We can have lunch in a nice picnic area either on the deck of the Visitor Center or on the far side of the train garden.

**Our Living Supper:** This dinner fundraising event will be our Assembly's contribution to our diocesan seminarians. At the request of the Diocese of Little Rock, it has been re-scheduled to October 29 of this year. Our first general planning meeting is scheduled for noon, April 26 at *Giampoletti Hall*, following the Assembly meeting. A number of folks are excited about the dinner and are ready to help.

I still need to fill the Assembly officers list for the new Assembly year. Volunteers may call

me at 501-262-5829. Here's hoping I get at least three calls.

A recent vote of Assembly members chose the following restaurants for our next four social events: Back Porch Grill, Vina Marita, Asian Café, and Porterhouse.

### Calendar:

**April 3: Tulip Social**

**April 14: Council meeting**

**April 21: Assembly social meeting, Back Porch Grill on Central Avenue in Sunbay Resort**

**April 26: Lunch meeting/kick-off**



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organization for Our Living Supper, Noon, *Giampoletti Hall*.

**April 29-30: State Convention, Arlington Hotel**

**May 6-7, 13-14: Rummage Sale**

**May 12: Combined Council and Assembly meeting**

**May 19: Luke Womack's ordination to the Deaconate, St. Mary's. Please wear Regalia or tux with social baldric (those without regalia) Followed by short business meeting.**

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Are you a sponsor whose name is not listed? If so, please notify Jim at 282-7027.

**From Father George Sanders: "Should We Cry Over Spilled Milk?"**

I'd like to begin with a brief recollection for all of us, a childhood memory really. There comes a time in all of our young lives when we pass the infantile milestones of bottles and sippie cups (You know, the ones with built-on lids to

prevent the inevitable knocked-over drink) to real grownup cups or glasses. There is a sense of pride in our accomplishment; we are "babies" no longer. We soon learn that with our newfound freedom comes a responsibility to remember where our glass is on our tray and to refrain from thoughtless, even joyful, flails or inattentive moves that could result in the sudden loss of our drink.

But for most adults, who haplessly witness this sudden catastrophe unfolding in front of them and quickly assess the situation rationally, they often conclude that there was really little harm done that could merit this impending emotional explosion. After all, since there is still a half-gallon of milk in the refrigerator, no problem. From their grown-up perspective the loss felt by the child could seem so trivial in the moment. "No need to cry over spilled milk," they think. But from the high-chair, the view is a bit different. The heart of the child is crushed. He doesn't care if you have twenty gallons of milk in the refrigerator and five milk cows in the backyard, that's YOUR milk, HIS milk spilled. And this was his big-boy cup, the sign of his new-found big boy status. Maybe he is NOT a big boy yet, he gasps. His heart skips a couple

beats at the thought as the pain now floods from his heart and through his eyes, nose and mouth, and anywhere else it can get out. In the moment he is inconsolable.

But like clockwork, Mom flies gracefully into the picture from the next room, consoling him with assurance that it will be all right. Her maternal care brings both calm and hope to his broken heart. She promises that we can fix it and make it all better again. She tells the child that this is not the first time a cup of milk has been spilled. In fact, she reminds him that his Dad spilled his drink at supper a few nights ago. These things happen, even to big boys. But then with motherly wisdom she asks, "Do you want to help me make it better again?" The child, now filled with a small but growing hope that all will be well, begins to dry up the tears and to fix his eyes intently on his mother. "Yes," he says between snuffles as the waters begin to subside below flood stage. Mom goes over to the cabinet and gets the paper towels, rolls off several, and folds them into a blotter. "Now," she says, "let's clean this mess up." She invites her son to help her, placing his hands on the towels with hers. Once the tray is clean she bends down to clean up what fell onto the floor as the child watches intently. In a flash Mom has whisked her faithful mop from its place in the kitchen closet, which is never far from her reach with a toddler around, and like a speeding bullet she completes her rescue. He couldn't do it all of course, but he did what he could and his mother did the rest. When finished, Mom returns close to him, placing her face next to his and asks ever so gently,

"All better now?" "Yes, Mommy," he replies as he reaches up for a big hug and the dissonance of life turns to harmony in her embrace. "Now I bet my big boy is ready for another cup of milk, huh?" she generously and trustingly offers. His mother then rinses his big-boy cup off and goes to the fridge, pours him a new glass of milk and then hands it to him allowing him to set it down in front of him again on his tray, like the big boy they both know he is. "Thank you, Mommy," he says as his smile affirms that his mom was right once again: even our worst failures and losses can be made right. No matter what, we can be forgiven, restored and strengthened by the tender embrace and loving hand of our mother.

In this story, I hoped to relate to you a picture of what really happens behind the doors of the confessional. We come with our hearts broken by our own actions, many of which were not intended, but which just happened in the distraction and weakness of the moment. Mother Church immediately assures us that these things do happen but that they can be fixed; we can be forgiven and returned to our former state of grace before the "spill." Through spiritual counseling and acts of penance, she lets us acknowledge our actions were the cause of the problem (the first step to true healing) and lets us help make it right again with encouragement and recourse to prayer, spiritual exercise and restitution as needed. Then she does the part we cannot do: she cleans up the whole mess, absolving us of our guilt and restoring our

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#### May 29: Corpus Christi March. Knights in Regalia

**Color Guard:** Remember that we need Sir Knights to join the Color Guard. To those who have responded to this call, thank you. I greatly appreciate your willingness to help. We have a big event for one of our members coming up. Our own Sir Knight **Luke Womack** will be ordained as a deacon on May 19 at St. Mary of the Springs Church. We want

to have as many members as we can in Regalia to support Luke. If you cannot attend in regalia, please attend in tux with social baldric. For those members with regalia who no longer can serve, please, would you pass your regalia on to someone who is willing and able to serve. I would greatly appreciate your generosity. Service in the Color Guard is volun-

tary. So please volunteer. To help, Contact Color Corp Commander **Ed King** (501-276-8975 or me./ **Faithful Navigator Joe Kanopsic 501-262-5829.**

## Spring Charity Rummage Sale Coming on Fast

One month from this writing, our spring Rummage Sale begins. The dates are May 6-7, 13-14. At this point, "the harvest is ripe but the laborers are few." Three of our stand-out volunteers are either incapacitated or out of range. **Luis Rivera** is visiting his sister in Puerto Rico through May, **Dennis Wood** is getting his much-needed hip replacement, and **George Purifoy** is hobbling as a result of a broken leg. All three are ordinarily major contributors to the success of our Sales. The point of course is that I need more people to come forth to make up the slack, and I mean now, not just during the Sale itself. Our lady volunteers remain dependable, several coming out to work in *Spirit Hall* two or more times a week. *Spirit Hall* with its new shelving, is shaping up nicely. On Monday of this week **Bob Koch, Ed King, Danny Morrison, Don Sluyter, Don Sass, Jim Elder, Dennis Bosch, and I** moved the better furni-

ture from *Reiter Hall* to *Giampoletti Hall*, where it will remain till the Sale. **Rusty Baltz and Leonard Buchholz also come to help when they can.** Tuesday morning **Harold Hager, Stan DeGruccio, and I** moved the last of the furniture intended for *Giampoletti Hall*. **Carol Cook and Evelyn Enderlin** spent most of the day Monday arranging furniture in department store-fashion for attractive displays. Other ladies reporting often to Spirit Hall to clean and organize are **Liz Sass, Carol Koch, Martha Lockwood, Sue Wood, Mildred Giampoletti, Barbara Genauldi, Susan Harper.**

In the meantime, pick-up of donations continues, with three or four scheduled for this week. Those most often available for bringing in our sale items are **Bob Koch, Stan DeGruccio, Jim Elder, Luis Rivera, Rusty Baltz, and**

**George Purifoy.** Others are **Leonard Buchholz, Dennis Wood, Harold Hager, Don Sass, and Don Sluyter.**

With a month to go, we are now at the point that two or three workers are needed almost every day to clean and organize, especially in *Reiter Hall* but also *Giampoletti and Spirit Halls*.

We have always been blessed with an abundance of quality donations and the upcoming Sale is no different. But we never have too many. There are presently three or four areas for which we hope to improve our volume. Those are kitchenware (especially sets of dishes and glassware), bedding and linens, costume jewelry, and large and small appliances (refrigerator/freezers, electric ranges, and small kitchen appliances).

To donate, please call **Jim** (501-282-7027), **Stan** (501-520-5974), **Bob** (501-545-6118) and **Tom** (501-767-1639). **Jim Lockwood, Chairman**

## Arkansas Knights of Columbus Convention, concluded

a visit to the Mid-America Science Museum, Arkansas' largest hands-on science center and the state's first Smithsonian Affiliate. In addition to adult supervision of children's activities, members of the Hot Springs Squires Circle 5700 will be on hand throughout the weekend.

As of April 1 registration fees increased by \$10 to \$95.00. Fees include all meals for both Saturday and Sunday including the Saturday evening awards banquet. The State Convention Golf outing and Saturday's ladies' event require an additional fee. Ladies will be treated to a live Saturday performance of *Driving Miss Daisy* and lunch at the Five Star Dinner Theater located just blocks from the Arlington Convention Center.

There is a \$19.95 total fee covering all

ladies' events, including the theater. All children's events are free with the exception of the Saturday evening Awards Banquet. Knights attending only the Saturday evening banquet will pay \$65. The optional golf outing is planned for Friday, 8 a.m. registration, play at 9, at the beautiful Hot Springs Village Magellan Golf Course. The cost for the outing is \$75.00, covering lunch, greens fee, range balls, and prizes. All Knights, spouses, friends, and relatives are invited. Hot Springs knights should notify their intent to play to **Hans Purkott** by April 10 and have money in his hands by April 17. Send to **Hans, 509 Belvedere Drive, B-4, Hot Springs 71901.**

**The Saturday evening Bishop's Mass and Sunday morning Necrology Mass** will be held at St. Mary of the Springs Catholic Church located only a couple of

blocks from the hotel. Following the Saturday evening Mass, a procession from the church to the hotel will be led by **Bishop Taylor** and a Fourth Degree Honor Guard. Sir Knights interested in participating in the honor guard may contact Benton Council 9396 Grand Knight **Lloyd Cambre** by calling (501) 658-8618 or via e-mail at [lloyd.cambre@yahoo.com](mailto:lloyd.cambre@yahoo.com).

**Please complete and return your registration forms and fees by April 10** to Knights of Columbus, **Ed Doyle**, Financial Secretary, 10 Vecilla Lane, Hot Springs Village, AR 71909

On behalf of our District 10 Council's Officers and Members, we are looking forward to a great convention. See you there.

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**Father George, concluded**

life and full communion. She of course will remain close to counsel us and to assure in her Motherly goodness that we remember the reasons that the “spill” occurred in the first place and to identify the near occasions of distractions or temptations that could easily lead to another or similar accident.

I’ll leave you with one question: how long have you been living in spilled milk? Would you like some help in cleaning it up and getting a new chance to start again? Let this be your invitation. Mother Church would love to help you

make it better again. She promises. And you know where to find her.



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Please pray for the following council members, wives/relatives, and council friends who struggle with health problems: Deacon Lee Lechner, Marge Knoth, Jim Reiter, Barbara Reiter, Ute Purkott (daughter of Hans Purkott), Oscar (Buddy) Gloor, Doug Bolwerk, Carole Ecklund, Mary Morrison, Father Alan, Ilse Purkott, Beverly Priest, Frankie DeGeorge, Stephen Stoddard, Matthew Stoddard, Valerie Poe, Rick Sands, Conrad Stein, Laura Mazzia, and Fr. Raymond Rossi.



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### April Calendar

- 14 Council Meeting, *Giampoletti Hall*, 7 p.m.
- 21 Fourth Degree Social Meeting with Spouses and Friends, Back Porch Grill in Sunbay Resort on Central, p. 6 p.m.
- 26 "Our Living Supper" Inaugural Planning Meeting, *Giampoletti Hall*, Noon (see Fourth Degree article, p. 2)
- 28-29 Arkansas Knights of Columbus Convention, Arlington Hotel (see article, p. 2)

### April Birthdays

- |                  |                      |
|------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Jim Reiter     | 17 Robert Bournival  |
| 2 Bart Newman    | 18 Dcn. Lee Lechner  |
| 4 Jimmy Bolt     | 20 Charles Pitts     |
| 4 Jason Cate     | 22 Paul Enderlin     |
| 12 Don Sass      | 22 Vincente Gonzalez |
| 14 Greg Bishop   | 25 Nolan Bramlett    |
| 14 Brian Charles | 26 Joe Kanopsic      |
| 14 Joe Petruk    | 26 Miguel Salazar    |
| 14 Sam Tooke     | 27 Mark Chunn        |
| 16 Evan Archer   | 29 David Meeks       |
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Our next Rummage Sale comes the first 2 weekends of May. **HAVE YOU DONATED YOUR STUFF YET??????** And you retired guys, are you helping to get ready for this major spring event? Much to do and just a month to get it done!

At the March council meeting

I named specific council offices to be filled for the coming year. We will soon be electing a Deputy Grand Knight, a Recorder to replace **Charlie Cook**, and a Chancellor, as well as appointment of a Youth Director, a Church Director, a Membership Director, a Retention Director, and a Program Director. **Charlie Cook** is stepping into the office of Financial Secretary, being vacated by **Joe Dierks**, who has filled that major responsibility with great efficiency for several years. Thanks, Joe, for your long dedicated service! Present Deputy Grand Knight **Vin-**

**cente Gonzalez** will step into the soon-to-be-vacated Grand Knight position. Present officers of other offices have agreed to fill their office for another year. Regarding the unfilled offices, please take a moment to pray on this officer matter, and then agree to hold one of these important positions. After one of the First Degree exemplifications I was asked to introduce myself to the new Knights and to answer questions. One thing mentioned was that all knights need to find one thing they would enjoy and get involved doing it. You do not have to be a jack-of-all-trades, just a master of one. Thank you and Happy Spring./ **Andy Anderson, Grand Knight**



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