

Golfers! Listen Up!



The annual council Charity Golf Tournament for the benefit of St. John's School is scheduled for July 18 on the Magellan Golf Course in Hot Springs Village. As last year there will be two tee times, 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be served at 11:30 for the afternoon golfers. Morning golfers will eat

after the game, around 12:30. **Chuck Wagon Joe** will once again prepare his famous BBQ Rib dinner at the Balboa Pavilion on Ponce de Leon Road.

I expect a full course with 32 teams in the morning and 25 in the afternoon. Entry fee is \$85.00 a person, the fee including lunch.

All proceeds, as in the past, will go toward scholarships for St. John's students. The Colombian Squires scholarship for one of its members will come from the Squires-sponsored Putting Contest, from

which the winner will receive a 60-inch Vizio TV. The player with the closest putt to the cup will win the TV. The Squires also have the Casino Hole and will sell the Drive on Hole #15 for \$20 a team. Both of these events go toward the Squires' Scholarship Fund.

As of today I have 17 teams for the morning and 14 for the afternoon. Last year we had 35 teams (140 golfers). We need about 40 volunteers to help the Squires with their activities. For information call me at 623-8263/**Hans Purkott, Chairman of Council Charity Golf**

Council Flags to Wave on the Fourth of July!



Council members will report at 7 a.m. Saturday, July 4 to raise flags over Calvary Cemetery and return at 4 p.m. to take them down till the next patriotic holiday. Come join us, first, for coffee and pastries, then for our patriotic display in celebration of our country's independence.



Working for Dad!



Louis and Violet Kosarek Celebrate 65 Years of Marriage

Council member **Louis Kosarek** and his wife **Violet** have reached a milestone that few of us are able to match. On July 1 they were married 65 years. Congratulations, Lou and Vi! Lou grew up in Ennis, Texas, and as a young man moved to Berwyn, Illinois, just outside Chicago to develop a business in brick masonry. There he began a relationship with **Violet Kmoch**, and on July 1, 1950, they married in St. Odilia Catholic Church. While raising a family of four children in Chicago, they made annual trips to visit Lou's family in Texas, trips that brought them through Hot Springs, where they usually stopped. By 1972 they were ready to acquire property for their eventual retirement and found Hot Springs to be an attractive location. In that year they purchased the lake property where their present home is located, built their home in 1981, and settled here in 1990. Lou's professional skills enabled him to build his own house.

During their Hot Springs years they have been active members of St. John' Catholic Church, and Lou has had an active role in Knights of Columbus, both the council and the Fourth Degree Assembly, in which he has served on the Honor Guard. Lou, with his building skills, participated in various council construction projects, including correcting roof problems and erection of the first Rummage Sale Buildings. Vi has also been involved in many of the Knights of Columbus activities, especially cooking for special occasions and working with festive celebrations such as our annual Fourth Degree Christmas Parties. Both Lou and Vi for several years took the lead in collecting donated raffle items and conducting the raffles for our Christmas dinner/dances. Vi is known for her fine kitchen cuisine, especially her Czech pastries. Can you imagine, folks, how many kolaches have come from her oven during 65 years of marriage? Ummmmmm....Good!

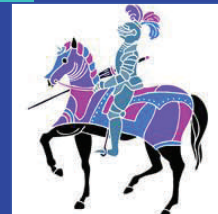
This past Sunday Lou and Vi received the Church's blessing from St. John's pastor, **Father James West**. Father announced to the congregation that he also had given them a blessing on their 50th Anniversary and followed that by saying, with a big grin, that he would be happy to bless them after the next 15 years of marriage. Best wishes for Lou and Vi!



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Happy Independence Day!



Knight Watch

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Grand Knight's Article

Welcome to summer! We have turned up the heat perilously close to the 100-degree mark and probably will equal if not pass that mark this month. That's just summer in Arkansas. We have again finished a busy month, starting with the installation of the officers of three organizations and followed by the usual delicious and varied potluck dinner. Having these family dinners makes all that the Knights do for the community that much better. We get to socialize and see some folks we haven't seen in a long while as well as those we saw yesterday. We get to be together in an atmosphere of Christian harmony. It doesn't get better than that. For this particular event we were blessed to have **Father James West** present and also

the young Squires. This is the time to explain the reason for the installation of three organizations, one after the other. In District 10 we are trying a new format for the installation of officers, including along with the council officers those of the Fourth Degree Assembly and those of the Colombian Squires. In some aspects of the program we hiccuped a bit, but for the most part it all went smoothly. We were honored to have **Past State Deputy Bob Peters** and our current **District Deputy Jim Rogers** to help guide us through the triple installation. We were introduced to the Squires new team of officers, who will lead our future knights through the new fraternal year. While **Dayton Myers** will continue in his role as Chief Squire, he will have some re-

turning team members as well as some new members to his team. These young men are not only future knights but future Catholic leaders as well.

Our worthy **State Deputy Adrian Adrian Dominguez** said at the State Convention in April that we all are Catholic first, Catholic second, and Catholic third. That means, as I understand it, that we are Catholics not only on Sunday (or Saturday for those of us who fulfill our Mass obligation on that day) but rather we are Catholic on every day of the week. Of course, it's easy for us to "slip up," in our Catholic role, especially with the example of so many whose **concluded, p. 9**



Good-bye, Dick. Good-bye,

Last Thursday night, as **Dick and Jackie Smith** were in the midst of packing for a move to Katy, Texas, Council 6419, with its best linens, best wine, and best food gave them a festive dinner to say good-bye and also to show its appreciation for years of service. It was gratifying to have a roomful of council members, their wives, and other friends to honor this couple.

Joe Giompoletti took the kitchen lead, as he usually does, and with the assistance of **Chuck Pavlovich, Larry Stamps, Phil Genauldi, and Don Sluyter**, served up a fine spa-

ghetti and meatball dinner with a great salad. Additional assistance for Joe had come the day before the dinner from his wife **Mildred, Sue Wood, Karen Gibbons, Liz Sass, and Martha Lockwood** in shaping meatballs. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion. **Sue and Dennis Wood, Liz and Don Sass, Karen and Gil Gibbons, Martha and Jim Lockwood, and Janet Kanopsic** spent the biggest part of a day setting up tables and chairs, setting the tables with cloths and napkins, flatware, and glassware. Flowers cut from Dick's council wildflower garden provided pretty centerpieces for the tables.

"No one is indispensable," says the

old maxim. That general truth is about to be tested severely. **Dick and Jackie Smith**, after 17 years with Council 6419, are leaving the council and Hot Springs for Katy, Texas, where they will be near their daughter **Kelly** and her family.

On September 1 of 1998, soon after their move to Hot Springs from Chicago, Dick joined the local Knights of Columbus Council and has been a whirlwind of activity ever since. There are certain council jobs that membership often is reluctant to take on. Dick, on the **continued, p. 4**

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From Father George Sanders: I'm in Timeout



Today is my first full day of vacation. It wasn't my idea, I have to say. Several months ago Brenda told me that this year she was going to have a vacation somewhere and I could come along if I wanted. Drawing on my 33 years of marriage and patient instruction, I was able to clearly grasp her gentle suggestion, and after I made a few arrangements, we're here.

One of the most often used methods for behavior modification today in elementary education is the use of "timeout." It is used to draw attention to some misbehavior or inappropriate action. Timeout causes the action to stop immediately and then the child is asked to reflect on why his behavior was not in his or his community's best interest and how a more appropriate response on the child's part would have been preferred and why.

And it's not a bad method for adults either, even though many of us may think we have matured beyond the need for correction. Today, I'm in timeout and I've also been reflecting on why I am here. Here's what I have been thinking: Even if you love what you are doing, you need time on the bench, in the dugout or on the edge of the pool. Even professional athletes know that they would not be able to function at their best if they did not take a few minutes to disengage, rejuvenate and refocus mentally and physically. Just because you love what you are doing doesn't mean that your body or mind is not taking a beating; every good athlete knows this from experience and training. I've heard that even the recent Triple Crown winner, American Pharaoh, will have a few months off. He was born to run, but even he needs to recuperate to go all out again.

Stephen Covey in his bestselling book *The Seven Habits of Highly Successful People* lists "Sharpening the Saw" as one of

the attributes of winning lifestyles. He shows that if a woodsman does not take time to sharpen his saw, he will begin to work harder, but achieve less and less. But on the other hand, if he will just take the time to stop for a minute and attend to the maintenance of his tools, he will be more efficient and will accomplish his task with less effort and in less time. Perhaps it's sometimes counter-intuitive, but when we take time to disengage, rejuvenate and refocus we will end up accomplishing our goals more quickly with less physical and mental expense on our lives.

The other point is that some of us (and you know who you are) need **concluded, p. 5**



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Dick and Jackie, continued

other hand, seems to relish those on-going jobs and indeed took on not one but several of them and has held on to them with bulldog tenacity. He loves them! Collectively, he surely has logged more hours on the property on Spring Street than any other knight. Ever! At times some of us joked that Dick should bring a bed to the K. C. Hall and just live there.

So to paraphrase Elizabeth Barrett Browning’s famous poem, “Why do we love you, Dick? Let us count the

reasons.” Soon after you became a council member, you volunteered to be the bar manager, a job you held until last Thursday evening. Your bar came to be known as “Dick’s Bar” and will continue to carry your name for a long time. As bartender, you not only served drinks but kept the bar in pristine order, including ensuring that it always was well stocked. Your old-maidish obsession with order in your bar extended to the entire building interior and spilled over onto the grounds. You mopped floors; you waxed floors.

You cleaned restroom toilets; you kept a clean kitchen. Everything had its place; you were fanatical about everything being in its place. Along with keeping the bar stocked, you did the same for the kitchen and restrooms. Paper towels, toilet paper, cleaning agents, kitchen food staples, etc., etc. On some of the hottest days of the summer, you were manicuring the council grounds, both mowing and weedeating, and you have created several flower beds and planted

From Our Insurance Agent



A new Fraternal Year is upon us. Congratulations to our newly elected Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight, as well as the other dedicated knights who will serve in either an elected or appointed position in the coming year. I'm sure you have a list of goals and objectives that you intend to accomplish during the coming year. **You have my assurance that I'm eager to help.**

One of these goals is surely the attainment of the Star Council award—the most prestigious award the Order offers at the council level. I'm certainly committed to helping on the insurance side, but I'll be glad to help on the membership side as well.

If you know an eligible Catholic man who might be interested in joining the Order (and who among us doesn't?) he's probably just waiting to be asked. I can help you, either by approaching him myself or by "coaching" you—transferring sales skill that you can use to recruit him and other prospects. 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 your council. Thanks to all the Brothers who helped their council be successful during the last Fraternal Year. And thanks to all of the brothers who decided to protect their family with Knights of Columbus Insurance. I appreciate your business.

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Fourth Degree—Footnotes



Our next Assembly business meeting is scheduled for July 16 at *Giampoletti Hall*. We will begin planning for our annual Christmas Dinner and Dance. Dinner will be prepared and served by **Andy Anderson** and **David Myers**.

The Fourth Degree Exemplification, announced in the June *Knights Watch*, remains scheduled for Saturday, July 11 at St. Mary of the Springs Parish Hall. We are contacting all of our 3rd Degree knights and encouraging them to join the Assembly. Please consider completing your knighthood and doing so right here at home. For more information, call **Joe Kanopsic**, 262-5829. (See the full-page information sheet at the end of this newsletter.)

The annual Charity Golf Tournament

Father George, concluded

someone who loves us to help us find a timeout. I for one have not matured beyond the use of wise encouragement to help me stay on track and take better care of myself through times of rest and reflection. Though timeout works for me as well as it does for elementary students, I've learned that in my older and wiser age I do have one advantage....I can now take my timeouts under a palm tree with frozen margaritas. Age does have its privileges.

is set for July 18. Once again, **Hans Purkott**, with his well-oiled machine is ready to unleash a great event for the benefit of St. John's School.

Looking ahead to August, on the evening of the 20th, we will enjoy a social at José's Mexican Restaurant on Hwy. 7, South. Council member José [Soto] himself, soon to be a member of the Fourth Degree Assembly, will be our host.

We have started work on building an Assembly budget so that we can meet the obligations we have to our seminarians, the Military Chaplains Fund and Scholarship and the State Master. We are looking for ideas to expand our treasury. All money-making ideas welcome.

Ed King, Captain of the Color Guard, has submitted the following July dates involving the Color Guard.

On **July 11th** for the 4th Degree Exemplification at St. Mary of the Springs Parish Hall, we will need four knights in full regalia and four others in black tux. Time, 11:30 a.m. On the next day, **July 12**, with **Bishop Taylor** present, we will participate in the Confirmation ceremony at St. Mary's Church in Arkadelphia at 251 N. 14th Street. Again, we will need four knights in full regalia. Finally, on **July 25**, the presence of our Honor Guard is requested by St. Martin Church in Nashville, 1011 W. Leslie Street. The occasion is the first Mass as new knights for a group of new members. Time requested: 10:30 a.m. Once again, we need four knights in regalia. Please call Ed at **276-8975** to volunteer your service for one or more of these three occasions.

I would like to thank Ed for his work on the Corpus Christi march and all the knights who participated. The more we are visible, the more we are successful. If you do not have regalia and would like to be in the forefront of our Assembly, let us know. We can help./**Joe Kanopsic, Faithful Navigator**

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Dick and Jackie, concluded

many bushes and trees as well. And, besides that, Dick, you're just a good guy: kind, jovial, proud, ever-ready to give assistance, and motivated by Christian principles. Those are the reasons we love you. When Dick says, "I just love this place," as he has said many times, we all know that he means it. We know too that he will miss it.

supporters. She has joined the work crew for most of our charity rummage sales, and she participates regularly in council activities involving the ladies. Both she and Dick have active roles at St. John's Church. Jackie is a Eucharistic minister, while Dick for many years has served as an usher at the 10 a.m. Mass. We are grateful for their many years of service and will miss them greatly. Returning to the opening statement, who will fill the gaping hole left by Dick's absence? Is Dick really indispensable? We shall see. In the meantime, Godspeed to Dick and Jackie. Love to you both! Stay in touch!

Jackie's role has been as one of our council



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July Calendar

- 4 Independence Day Flag Raising, Calvary Cemetery, 7 a.m.
- 9 Council Meeting, Giompoletti Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- 11 Fourth Degree Exemplification, St. Mary's Parish Hall, 11:30 p.m. (see Fourth Degree article, p. 6)
- 16 Fourth Degree Meeting, Giompoletti Hall, 6:30
- 18 Golf Tourney (see article, p. 2)

Six Little One-Sentence Stories

Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That's FAITH

When you throw a baby in the air, she laughs because she knows you will catch her. That's TRUST

We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That's CONFIDENCE

We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children. That's LOVE

Every night we got to bed, without any assurance of being alive the next morning but still we set the alarms to wake up. That's HOPE

On an old man's shirt was written a sentence "I am not 81 years old...I am sweet 16 with 65 years' experience." That's ATTITUDE

Pray for Our Sick

Please pray for the following council members, wives/relatives, and council friends who struggle with health problems: Deacon Lee Lechner, Jackie Smith, Tom Gilleran, Travis (son of Pat and Hugh Truesdale), Jim Reiter, Barbara Reiter, Patrick Thompson (Dawn and Bill's son), Oscar (Buddy) Gloor, Tony Shields, Doug Bolwerk, Joe Palmere, Carole Ecklund, Greg Meggers (son of George and Barbara), Mary Morrison, Father Alan, Larry Heisserer, Ilse Purkott, Beverly Priest, John Andrews, Frankie DeGeorge, Stephen Stoddard, Matthew Stoddard, Valerie Poe, Deacon Dave Briselden, Rick Sands, Conrad Stein, Laura Mazzia, Deacon John Connell, and Fr. Raymond Rossi



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| 6 John Ledbetter | 14 Deacon Joe Harrison |
| 7 Leonard Didier | 15 David Johnson |
| 10 Andy Anderson | 22 Stan DeGruccio |
| 10 Robert Rowe | 25 Ralph Berdikowski |
| 11 Richard Boyes | 28 Kenny Kaufman |
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St. Mary's of the Springs Parish Hall
101 Whittington Avenue
Hot Springs, Arkansas

Registration & Light Lunch: 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Ladies Included)

Candidates

Lineup & Preparation: 12:30 p.m. Exemplification: 1:00 p.m. ~ Group
Photo: 3:00 p.m.

Ladies Activity

1:00 p.m. ~ 3:00 p.m.

Mass: 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Springs Catholic Church – 100 Central Avenue – Hot Springs, AR

Social Hour: 5:15 p.m. at St. Mary of the Springs Parish Hall – 101 Whittington Place – Hot Springs,
AR

Banquet with Presentation of Certificates after dinner:

6:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Springs Parish Hall

CANDIDATE REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDING DEACONS:

\$70.00 – Fee includes Social Baldric (Sash), 4th Degree pin, certificate, group and individual photo, and 1 banquet ticket.

ADDITIONAL BANQUET TICKETS: \$20.00 each – Adults only (18 and older)
at all activities

UNIFORM: Candidates (including Deacons) Complete Black Tuxedo with lay-down collar (no wing-tip collar allowed); White, front pleated shirt; Black bow tie; black cummerbund; black circular studs and cuff-links; black socks, and black shoes. **White gloves are not required.**

Military – Dress Uniform (Optional) Police and Firemen-Formal Dress (Optional) Clergy – Regular Clerical Dress

Current 4th Degree Members - Complete Black Tuxedo with lay-down collar Honor Guard - Regalia for ceremony, Complete Black Tuxedo and white gloves.

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Grand Knight's article, concluded

example tempts us in the wrong direction. I believe it's time to quit sitting on our thumbs and, as our State Deputy says, "to be Catholic first, Catholic second, and Catholic third." We can do this, in part, by leading and teaching our younger generation and by encouraging our older folks to get involved in correcting problems facing our community, such as hunger.

This month we found out that one leading member and his wife were leaving us for Katy, Texas, in the shadow of Houston to be with their daughter Kelly and her family. **Dick and Jackie Smith talked** about an eventual move for months, but I kept saying a few prayers that it would not happen. We bade farewell to them last Thursday evening with the most

lavish dinner we could put together, including linen table cloths and napkins, flatware, china and wine. (No plastic and paper plates!) We will miss them greatly. We are left to ponder who will do what Dick has done with skill and pride for so many years. **Larry Lintean and Rick Sands** entertained us with music. [see article, p 1 for details].

Two new knights—**Andrew Gursky and Derick Owens**—came into our council in June. Derick's father is a council member, and Andrew has been one of our Squires, now of age and eligible for knighthood..

Financial Secretary **Joe Dierks** keeps meticulous records, and those current records indicate that we are well on our way once again to

achieving Star Council status. Thank you all for your hard work throughout the year.

Our council current council program of course is the upcoming golf tournament under the leadership of **Hans Purkott**. [See Hans' article, p. 2 for details.] With the tournament just three weeks off, he still needs prizes. Please help Hans secure these prizes. Get aggressive! Ask! The worst answer you can get is, "No." Nothing ventured, nothing gained./**Andy Anderson, Grand Knight**

Why Go to Church?

A Church-goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. 'I've gone for 30 years now,' he wrote, 'and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons, but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So, I think I'm wasting my time and the priests are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all.'

This started a real controversy in the 'Letters to the Editor' column. Much to the delight of the editor, it went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

'I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: They all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work.

If my wife had not given me these meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!'

When you are DOWN to nothing, God is UP to something!

Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible!



So long
for a
while,
Dick
and
Jackie!

This photo, taken by Karen Gibbons, shows Dick Smith, our long-time grounds keeper in the midst of his wildflowers planted near the entrance of the Council property at 3045 Spring Street. No one manifests pride in a job well done more than Dick. He and Jackie have left us for Katy, Texas [see article, p. 1]. This picture was blown up poster size to hang in the bar room just to the right of the bar, always to remind us of Dick.



Large group comes to *Giampoletti Hall* to show gratitude and love to Dick and Jackie for years of work for Council 6419

A fine dinner followed by a cake—our best way to say “Thanks” for so much done for us.

