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Grand Knight's Article

Both the Hot Springs Council and the Assembly have had the honor to be written up in the Supreme *Knightline* news article. This issue was received by e-mail on Saturday, October 31.

There are programs and duties of the Grand Knight that at times (most times) I put on the back burner. Writing this report is one of those frequently postponed efforts. It's the sitting down and putting into words all of the special events that Council 6419 is involved in that is difficult.

On October 4 **Emanuel Alvarez**, who had just become a knight of the First Degree, went to Conway and became a Third Degree member. I ask all to welcome him to our council and to include him in all events. Emanuel is a member of St. John's and has children in Lakeside School.

October saw ladies and gentlemen of the council appearing almost every day at our three buildings setting up and decorating for our October 30-

31, November 6-7 Fall Charity Rummage Sale. At *Giampoletti Hall* you could see **Liz and Don Sass** and others setting up Christmas displays, while **Evelyn Enderlin, Cheryl King**, and their male helpers arranged furniture displays worthy of an upscale furniture store. From there you might find **Jim Lockwood** and others cleaning glass, dusting, and polishing furniture, vacuuming long-spun spiders' webs, or receiving new furniture donations in *Reiter Hall*. The next stop would be *Spirit Hall*, the second home of ladies such as **Sue Wood** and **Carol Koch** putting the finishing touches on the kitchenware tables, **Martha Lockwood** measuring sheets, blankets, and comforters for bed size, **Susan Harper** arranging children's toys, **Barbara Genauldi** working art work, **Mildred Giampoletti** spiffing up her jewelry display case, **Carol Cook** appraising her array of decorator items or faithful **Gil Gibbons** pricing the collection of tools and machinery. A small army of council members, their wives, and other friends of the council

worked long and hard to put together a highly successful sale. Thanks to all.

On Columbus Day, October 12, council members reported early to Calvary Cemetery to raise the flags and returned late afternoon to put them away until Veterans Day, this Wednesday.

On October 17 our Squires together with some of our council members helped with the Suicide Prevention Walk at Entergy Park. As the name suggests, the walk is aimed at increasing awareness of lives lost to suicide as well as curbing this tragedy that repeats itself so often.

The following day council members served pancakes, sausage, eggs, orange juice, and coffee at St. Mary's Parish Hall. **Joe Giampoletti** with **Steve Longinotti, Paul Enderlin, Chuck Pavlovich, Rick Dwyer,**
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Rummage Sale: Whoopee! Can You Say \$31,000-Plus?

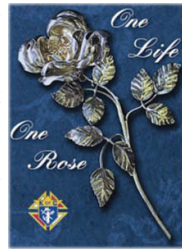
Pre-Rummage Sale hopes were sky-high! We knew we had more quality merchandise than we had ever had, so the hopes were based on sound reason. But of course there are always variables, and until the final bell, the uncertainties remain. The weather forecast for both weekends was ominous, but the really bad rains did not materialize except for a cou-

ple of hours on the first Saturday. To begin with, we had record pre-sales of \$4200. Then the first Friday and Saturday we brought in around \$13,800. The second Saturday added \$5000. That brings us to about \$23,000. Our previous record was \$28,000 in October of 2013, so it certainly seemed that we would be able to pass that mark, even if modestly.

On the last Saturday morning **Phil Genauldi** said to me, "Jim, I had a vision last night that today will be a \$9,000 day! I laughed. Phil continued. "Don't laugh, Jim. I've had visions before and you'd be amazed how often they foretell the truth." At that moment, early morning, traffic was
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Grand Knight, continued

Tom Gilleran, and Dennis Bosch. And the following Friday, October 23, a host of knights showed up at the St. John's Bazaar to assist **Joe Giampoletti** with cooking and serving the annual Knights of Columbus-sponsored spaghetti dinner to benefit St. John's School. Reportedly, at times there were as many as 14 knights in the kitchen. Deputy Grand Knight **Vincente Gonzalez** and his soon-to-be wife **Gladys** designed and put together the decorations for the Bazaar. To say that our knights are actively engaged in our parishes is an understatement. It would take a lengthy article to name the contributions of Council 6419 and family members to St. John's and St. Mary's parishes as well as for diocesan activities, such as "A Taste



of Faith," which helps to support financially our seminar-ian program.

As October wound down, Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Glenwood, in conjunction with Council 6419, had the privilege of hosting the Silver Rose as it travels about the Catholic world until its 2015 travels culminate at the feet of Pope Francis at the Vatican on the December 12 Feast of Guadalupe and before it begins its 2016 worldwide travels, repeating the annual cycle. Deputy Grand Knight **Vincente Gonzalez** arranged for the Glenwood church to

host the icon. The Silver Rose Program, now in its 55th year, is a powerful expression of Marian devotion and intercontinental Catholic unity. Thanks to **Vincente, Sr. Norma's** ministry to the Glenwood Hispanic community, and to **Father George Sanders**, who serves as pastor.

I would like to recognize two council members for their contribution to a smooth-running council. First, **Phil Genauldi**, who follows the maxim "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." His obsession with cleanliness and order is proving to be a distinct blessing to our council hall, especially in the kitchen. His predecessor **Dick Smith** was similarly devoted to cleanliness, but after many

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Fourth Degree—Footnotes

Our 4th Degree social meeting was held on October 15 at the Wok Buffet on Central Avenue. And once again Johnny served food until we all were very well fed. We dined on oysters, frog legs, boneless duck, sushi, shrimp, chicken, beef, and pork in many forms and combinations as well as wine, beer, tea, and coffee in abundance. There were at least six different appetizers and seven different entrées. We all left satiated. The 26 people who showed up enjoyed the good company of friends as well as great food.

We are preparing for the Christmas Party. Tickets are now available at a cost of \$30 each. The party, set for Saturday night, December 5 at *Giampoletti Hall*, is sponsored by the 4th Degree but is open to all Knights, their guests, and St. John's and St. Mary's parish members. Our November 19 meeting will be the final meeting before the party, so we will need to put all the details together at that time.

Dues notifications will be going out soon. You can save the Assembly postage expense by paying your dues at the November meeting. Dues are \$20 a year and checks should be made payable to Hot Springs Assembly 1892. We will collect dues at the meeting. So come prepared with a check or a \$20 bill.

Fourth Degree Calendar

NOVEMBER 1: All Saints Day (Sunday)

NOVEMBER 11: Veterans Day

Flags Memorial Service at the Veterans Memorial at 11 a.m. and the Veterans day parade 6:30 p.m. downtown.

NOVEMBER 19: Last business meeting before the CHRISTMAS PARTY. Be sure to turn in all ticket sales money.

Hans Purkott will be cooking a wonderful meal for us. Hans and I are cooking Currywurst. Color/Honor guard members, please be sure to come to this meeting and bring your sword. **Ed King** will present a short program on the

changes in the drill manual .

NOVEMBER 23: Monday, Downtown Business Owners Association Chili Cook off.

NOVEMBER 26: Thanksgiving Day

NOVEMBER 29: Fifth Sunday LIVING ROSARY and pot luck dinner 5:30 p.m. at *Giampoletti Hall*.

DECEMBER 5: 2015 CHRISTMAS PARTY: **Ilse Purkott** is planning our menu and our cooking team will be working with her. The menu will be German dumplings, Goulash, Cucumber Salad, red cabbage and dessert. All Knights should be sure to make plans to attend. Music will be provided by **Larry Womack** and the Salt 'n' Pepper Band. It will be great food and great fun.

DECEMBER 7: Pearl Harbor Day, F l a g s u p . Hot Springs Christmas Parade

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From Father George Sanders: "A Candle Opera"



*Warm wax and quickening flame,
a sign of the divine my soul
perceives*

*How human-like the pulsing light,
the candle a beating heart now
receives*

*As the wax is drawn into the flame,
the candle willingly its essence
gives*

*Sacrifice, its only purpose, its only
hope*

*dying that divine light within might
truly live*

*How profound the mystery in the
human heart*

*where divine and mortal cling in
intimate embrace,*

*With shared life and holy purpose,
the two becoming one:*

*Aflame by love, ascending together,
freed from Adam's race.*

A candle is a wonderful image of the Christian life. The candle was created by its maker for one purpose: to be a repository of light. Carefully fashioned, every aspect of the candle is made to be consumed in the process for which it was created. The candle does not make the flame, which must be given it from somewhere outside of itself, just as we cannot become who we were created to be by our own will or actions. Although we often try to make ourselves feel better by self-defining our personal value system; "Well you know, I'm the biggest candle," "I'm the purest red," or "I'm obviously made of the best bee's wax." How idle this self-aggrandizement must sound to the Great Candle Maker. Our differences were expressly formed in us based on our purpose—a red candle for Christmas dinner, a large candle for a big reception hall and a pure bee's wax candle for an altar. *But our individual characteristics do not define us.* We were all created to be light bearers wherever we are placed. Our particular talents, our outward characteristics so to speak, will help us to serve in the place where we are placed, but in all cases our real job is to be a repository of light. And to be "what we were really meant to be," our self-actualization will cost us something, something very dear

and precious: in fact, everything.

Once lit, the warm, inviting flame draws the essence of the candle into itself. The flame will be fed by the "life" of the candle. Being in the presence of the flame, the wax naturally softens, then melts and is drawn or wicked into the flame where it is consumed by the fire. In this marvelous exchange, a transformation occurs whereby a candle becomes a flame. In the Christian life, this transformation (or conversion) occurs when we allow ourselves to be changed by the touch of God. This encounter is so transformative that we become the substance by which we are touched; wax becomes flame, human becomes divine. In this conversion process our whole person, even our imperfections and impurities are consumed by the fire of his divine love. In this way, even our weaknesses serve God's final purpose: that we become in reality what we were created to be ... a repository of God himself to bring Light into our dark world.

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Grand Knight's Article, concluded

years of devoted, efficient service, he and his wife Jackie moved to Katy, Texas. Fortunately for us, Phil has stepped up not only to help Joe with his cooking but also to keep the kitchen spotless. A second member who has perfected his culinary skills is **Chuck Pavlovich**, who, like Phil, regularly steps into the kitchen to assist Joe Giompoletti with the frequent food preparation. Of course we've depended on Joe for years to work magic in the kitchen...and we still do. But we know

that he is grateful to have such great help from Phil and Chuck. And the final accolade (this month) goes to **Glenn Worsham**, who in our October council meeting accepted the important treasurer's job, when **Larry Stidman** resigned the position due to family and professional responsibilities. **Dennis Bosch**, a former treasurer, gave Glenn a brief tutorial of procedures, and Glenn stepped in ready to go. With the big Rummage Sale looming, he quickly received his "baptism by fire." He made twice-a-day appearances at the Sale, collected monies, counted, and banked. With the Fall Rummage Sale ended Saturday, Glenn must feel that he's ready for anything and everything. Good job, Glenn. And thanks for agreeing to manage council funds./**Andy Anderson, Grand Knight**

From Our Insurance Agent: “November is Long-term Awareness Month



Q. I've heard about nursing home insurance and how expensive it is.

A. Actually paying **20 years of premiums could be less than 1 year cost of a nursing**

home.

Q. I think I'm better off financially if I

self-insure myself.

A. You may want to rethink this. Look what happens to the markets. If you had a million dollars in principal, this would generate \$50,000 income. Cost of care could be \$50,000 to \$125,000 a year, depending on where you live. Where would you find the additional funds without getting into you principal?

Q. Am I missing something? I

hear of more people buying LTCi?

A. Yes, especially with the market like it is. One must be able to protect his assets and income.

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Rummage Sale, concluded

very slow, typical of the final morning. I remained skeptical. “Phil, if we’re going to do \$9,000 today, business had better get in high gear fast.” Soon that’s exactly what happened. *Spirit Hall* became like the first Friday beehive. Though as always much slower than the ladies’ building, the other two sale sites began to have several high-dollar sales. By the time the day had come to an end at 4 p.m., we knew we had had a good day. But \$9,000? I wasn’t convinced. Well, the final result was short of Phil’s \$9,000 prophecy, but just barely. \$8340 plus \$540 outstanding. And if we have any post-sales as we almost always do, Phil’s projection may very well be spot-on. We never knew we had a council seer. If you foresee bad news, Phil, keep it to yourself. O.K.

So many people—council members, wives, and council friends—have been responsible for this milestone sale. First, with the volunteer help, let me begin with those who have showed up regularly, even in the summer heat, at least till the afternoon temperatures drove them to their air-conditioned homes. Also those men who responded so many times to drive to all parts of the county to collect donations. Those people would include **Liz and Don Sass, Sue and Dennis Wood, Carol and Bob Koch, Martha Lockwood, Evelyn and Paul Enderlin, Mildred and Joe Giampoletti, Carol Cook, Gil Gibbons,**

Barbara and Phil Genauldi, Susan Harper, Sue Stephens, Cheryl King, Jody Tooke, Stan DeGruccio, Luis Rivera, Leonard Buchholz, Harold Hager, Jim Elder, and Dennis Bosch. Then, as the Sale Days drew close, others came forward to contribute time and talent. These were **Ed King, Gail Flagg, Jayne Dierks, Bob and Sandy Kortember, Rusty Baltz, Don Sluyter, Danny Morrison, Jerry Jennings, Rick Dwyer, George Purifoy, Chris Bosch, Audrey McDonald, Jody Dvorak, Tony Shields, Pam Dwyer, Marty Schnobelen, Karen Gibbons, Leonard and Miriam Didier, Joe Dierks, Mary Ellen Purifoy, Dawn Thompson, Janet Kanopsic, Tom and Barbara Gilleran, Gwen DeGruccio, and Evelyn Worsham.** It would be interesting to know how many volunteer hours these people, collectively, have contributed toward council work.

One other team that we consider indispensable consists of Chief Chef **Joe Giampoletti** and his assistants—**Chuck Pavlovich, Phil Genauldi, and Don Sluyter.** They are so important to us because they feed us again and again: sometimes a rib dinner with beans and slaw, at other times burgers, and/or pulled pork/beef sandwiches. So good! Thank you, men! We depend on you!

Two other individuals worthy of special thanks are council member **John Steinhaus** of ServiceMaster Cleaning Service, who once again came to vacuum and shampoo our donated carpets. How different they look when John is finished! And, finally, **Carol Andrews**, named earlier as one of our volunteer ladies, has a second special contribution. That is arranging for all of our advertising, which includes sending out about 400 Save-the-Date cards to our customers of previous years, arranging for two display ads and six weekend classified ads, and also contacting periodic community magazines to list our sale dates. She also secured a photographer from *the Sentinel Record* to take pictures in *Spirit Hall* for publication in the paper. A special thank-you to John and Carol.

It was also a pleasure to have **Dick and Jackie Smith** to return from their new home in Katy, Texas, to work alongside us during the first weekend of the Sale.

God once again has blessed our efforts to do his work for the underprivileged among us. We give him thanks again and again. Also helping to do his work are two other distinct groups: (1) those who contribute those hundreds (thousands?) of donations that we manage to convert to cash for the benefit of the hungry, the sick, the homeless, and the addicted (substance abuse). And (2) those who faithfully come to our Sales to purchase our wares. A sincere thank-you to all! **/Jim Lockwood/ Rummage Sale Chairman**

Father George, concluded

“No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in people’s sight, so that, seeing your good works, they may give praise to your Father in heaven.” (NJB, St Matthew 5:15,16)

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THE USUAL SUSPECTS: Only the women in *Spirit Hall* are busy. Coffee time for these men as the Saturday morning Rummage Sale begins slowly. The fellow standing on the right apparently has an attention-deficit problem.





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Please pray for the following council members, wives/relatives, and council friends who struggle with health problems: Deacon Lee Lechner, Tony Pollock, Tom Gilleran, Marge Knoth, Jim Reiter, Barbara Reiter, Oscar (Buddy) Gloor, Tony Shields, Doug Bolwerk, Carole Ecklund, Peter Lewis, 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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November Calendar

- 6-7 Rummage Sale Conclusion
- 11 Veterans Day Flag Raising, Calvary Cemetery, 7 a.m.
- 12 Council Meeting, *Giampoletti Hall*, 5:45 p.m., beginning with First Degree Exemplification
- 19 Fourth Degree Assembly, *Giampoletti Hall*, 6:30 p.m., beginning with dinner prepared by Hans Purkott and Joe Kanopsic
- 23 Business Owners Association Chili Cook-off, downtown
- 29 Living Rosary/Potluck, *Giampoletti Hall*, p. 5:30 p.m.

November Birthdays

- 4 Glenn Worsham
- 5 Deacon Bob Standridge
- 5 Rob Meeks
- 8 Doug Hall
- 8 Frank Janaskie
- 11 Aurelio Ayala
- 15 Fr. Jack Vu
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Fourth Degree—Footnotes, concluded

DECEMBER 10: Combination Council and Assembly Meeting.

DECEMBER 17: NO ASSEMBLY MEETING

DECEMBER 24: Honor Guard for Midnight Masses at St. Mary's and St. John's

DECEMBER 25: Christmas Day "MERRY CHRISTMAS" everyone.

JANUARY 21: Assembly business meeting

JANUARY 30: Rib Tickler Dinner

JANUARY 30: 4th Degree Exemplification, Bella Vista

JANUARY 31: 5th Sunday Living Rosary

FEBRUARY 10: Ash Wednesday

FEBRUARY 14: Valentines Day

FEBRUARY 18: Assembly Social, Steinhaus Keller

MARCH 12: St Patrick's Party

MARCH 17: Assembly Business meeting

MARCH 20: Palm Sunday

MARCH 27: Easter

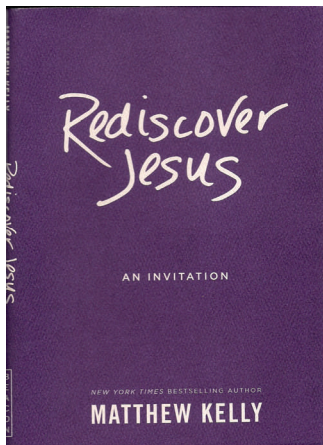
APRIL 29-30, MAY 6-7: Council Spring Charity Rummage Sale

COLOR GUARD : Our color guard is the "go-to" group for K of C ceremonies

across the state. Color Guard Commander **Ed King** has filled a number of dates at the request of Knights and Parishes, and not all have come from our Council, Parishes or Assembly.

We need to support our Color Guard. In short, we need more members to accept the honor of Patriotic Service and join the Color Guard. To help, Contact Color Corp Commander **Ed King** or Faithful Navigator **Joe Kanopsic**. We will be holding a special training session for the color/honor guard on November 19 after the regular business meeting. Everyone who wants to be a part of the color/honor guard is welcome to attend. /**Joe Kanopsic, FN**

Christmas Mass Give-Away Books Once Again



For the fourth consecutive Christmas, Council 6419 will present a book—**Rediscover Jesus** by Matthew Kelley of Dynamiccatholic.com—to Mass attendees at both St. John's and St. Mary's Churches, including 225 copies of the Spanish translation. Our first gift book was Kelly's **Rediscover Catholicism**. Others have been Scott Hahn's conversion story *Rome Sweet Home* and Gus

Lloyd's *A Minute in the Church, Volumes 1 and 2* (at Easter). And last Easter we distributed copies of a CD—**Finding the Fullness of Faith** (a conversion story) by Stephen Ray. These apologetics gifts have been our council's effort to evangelize the Faith.

Faced with a largely non-reading public, we realize that many of these books will go unread, perhaps most of them. But we feel that even if a few non-involved Catholics are energized in their faith, our effort is worthwhile. Our aim of course is not only Sunday Catholics but especially those who never attend a Mass outside Christmas and/or Easter. And also non-Catholics who enjoy Christmas and Easter Masses for the music and liturgy.

few council members make this evangelistic undertaking a reality. Each time we have pursued this undertaking. And also interesting is that for the most part, it's the same people. With reference to our purchase of 1000 copies of **Rediscover Jesus** (with \$500 worth of postage), 12 men have donated \$100 each, and 9 of those 12 have contributed the same amount to each of our past orders. Eight other men have donated varying amounts ranging from \$5 to \$80. At this point we have exactly the necessary \$1500, counting money in hand and three outstanding commitments totaling \$210. With the \$1.00 a book offer ending Monday, November 16, the order is being submitted today, the 10th.

It is interesting that only a