



# **Knights of Columbus**

## **Arkansas State Council**

### **February 2013**



#### **STATE DEPUTIES REPORT**

**MICHAEL KIEFFER**

**STATE DEPUTY**

We had a very successful Mid Year Meeting at Morrilton in January. It was a jam packed Saturday and Sunday morning. The Morrilton Council were wonderful hosts and pulled out all the stops to make it a great weekend. We stayed at the brand new hotel that you can see from the highway and I would recommend it to anyone. Supreme sent Al Cala, from Fraternal Services/Hispanic Round Tables. We really enjoyed his words of wisdom.

From the District Deputies I need The Monthly Action Planner Figures and the Semi Annual District Deputy Report.

From the Councils Supreme and I need the Fraternal Surveys and Semi Annual Audits. I have decided the best way to get them turned in is to phone the Grand Knights who have not turned them in. I will start calling in Mid February. The easiest time for me to call would be before work at ZERO DARK THIRTY! If you don't want to talk to me first thing in the morning. Please get them in soon.

Please look at the membership information in this issue. Has your council brought in a new member this year? If not, why not? There are prospective Knights out there waiting to be asked.

Are you on track to be a Star Council? If you don't know call me.

The Convention in Jonesboro is coming up. Information packets will be going out soon. Two delegates from each council are expected to attend. Delegates are to be the Grand Knight and a past Grand Knight. If one or both cannot make it, a council may send a third degree member as a replacement (alternate) delegate. The convention will start on Friday and finish on Sunday before noon. Delegates should be in attendance for the whole convention.

## ***Vivat Jesu***

Michael Kieffer  
State Deputy

#### **ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL PER MONTH**

This is not just a catch phrase! If you would put this into practice for the rest of the year many more councils would meet their goal, many more councils would make Star Council and the State would surpass their goal.

## **ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL PER MONTH**

### **MEMBERSHIP MOTIVATION FROM SUPREME**

The Supreme Knight reported that to motivate growth in the order, from now to June 30th each council will receive a \$9.00 credit for each new member. This will also apply to membership reinstatements and reactivations of members suspended before January 1, 2013. Credit will be applied to the council account July 1st. In addition each new council will have its first council assessments waived for per capita, Catholic Information Service and Culture of Life.

### **YEAR OF FAITH COUNCIL INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

Each council that completes at least one item in each of the four focus areas (Faith Professed, Faith Celebrated, Faith Lived, Faith Prayed) and submits The Year of Faith reporting form (Form #10084), will receive a print of the Holy Family icon, suitable for display. This print would look great in your meeting place, or you could present it to your Chaplain. Every council should have one of these and program runs through November 4, 2013.

### **1ST, 2ND AND 3RD DEGREE BILINGUAL FEBRUARY 24, 2013 COUNCIL 00996 HALL IN FORT SMITH**

A bilingual 2nd and 3rd degree will be conducted in Fort Smith on February 24, 2013. Registration will be from noon to 1 pm. The day will conclude about 4 after a meal.

For those needing a 1st degree Fort Smith will provide a bilingual 1st degree at 10:45 AM that same day. Each Council will provide a check to cover the \$10.00 per candidate and a \$5.00 charge will cover guest/sponsor meal.

Contact Henry Moore, District Deputy, District 09, 479-650-0103 to bring your candidates.

Arkansas needs to have two more 2nd and 3rd degrees this year. Call the State Deputy at (501) 951-2768 to host a degree.

### **FOUNDERS DAY**

Founders Day, March 29th, falls on Good Friday this year, so Supreme wants you to observe Founders Day on March 16th and 17th. On this weekend they want you to have a Corporate Communion and a Parish Recruiting Drive. What a great way to celebrate Founders day – sitting in Mass with all your Brother Knights and asking someone to join the Knights!

## **STATE CHAPLAIN**

**FATHER BILL ELSER**

The "Season of Conversion and Growth" (Lent) will soon be upon us with Ash Wednesday being celebrated on February 13th. It is a season when we join with the "Elect", who are entering the final phase of their journey toward the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil (March 30th), in purifying ourselves from sin and sinful inclinations and deepening our union with Jesus in prayer. It's also a season of action as we reach out to those in need (especially the poor) through programs like "Operation Rice Bowl". I pray that my brother Knights will enter fully into this special season and so become stronger witnesses to Christ and to the Order of the Knights of Columbus. Men who are to become full members of the Church through the Easter Sacraments are obvious candidates for the Order. Please don't wait for Easter or the week after Easter Sunday to approach them about becoming Knights. Rather, make yourself known to them during the Lenten season and assure them of your prayers and support during this holy season. This will prepare them to say yes immediately to an invitation to join the Knights of Columbus and join with us in all that we do in the name of Jesus Christ. God bless you all in the season of Lent. My prayers are with you in your journey towards Easter.

## **VOCATIONS/RSVP CHAIRMAN**

**PETER J. McNULTY**

Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators, District Deputies Brothers All

This letter is a report of Seminarian basic information for our Diocese for the start of 2013.

Sadly, in early December, 2012, we lost to the Lord's calling, one of our young seminarians, Daniel Phillips. (an auto accident).

One, Paul Goergan, left the Diocesan program to study as an Order Priest.

The good news is: One of our Discerners will move to a seminary this month and one who had dropped out will be returning to the program. The second time to make this decision, often results in a fine, dedicated and serving priest.

This leaves us with three (3) young men in the discernment process at the "Formation House" There are fifteen (15) studying at St. Meinrad, two (2) at Sacred Heart School of Theology, one (1) in Mexico, two (2) at Catholic University of America, four (4) at Holy Trinity Seminary, one (1) at Pontifical North American College (in Rome), and two (2) at the Formation House, studying at UALR (language).

Charles "Rick" Hobbs, is serving a Pastoral year at St. Raphael Church in Springdale, and is scheduled for Ordination in 2014. There are two (2) young men who will be Ordained Permanent Deacons in May 2013.

Juan Guido will be Ordained at 10:00 AM Saturday, May 18th at St. Edwards in Little Rock. Robert Cigainero will be Ordained at 10:00 AM Saturday, May 25th at St. Edwards in Texarkana. Both are scheduled for Ordination to the Priesthood in 2014.

I am still waiting on Ordination data to Catholic Priesthood for George Sanders. George was formerly a priest in another denomination.

RSVP funding: we have fifteen (15) with two (2) awards, one (1) with four (4) awards, fourteen (14) with one (1) award, and two (2) who have no sponsors at this time.

Vivat Jesu

Peter J. McNulty  
State Vocations and RSVP Chairman

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**  
**MICHAEL (MIKE) WILLS**  
**ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL PER MONTH**  
One New Member per Council Officer

As of 01-14-13 we have **SIX** Councils at or above 100% membership goal:

Council 07787 .....	Fayetteville .....	180%
Council 02443.....	Pocahontas .....	154%
Council 14609 .....	Rogers .....	150%
Council 07285 .....	Mena .....	140%
Council 15453.....	Fort Smith .....	133%
Council 14474.....	Fort Smith.....	100%

There are **FOUR** Councils at above the glide path of 58%.

Council 11604 .....	Jacksonville .....	82%
Council 04147 .....	Wynn.....	63%
Council 05804 .....	W. Memphis.....	60%
Council 14010 .....	Altus .....	60%

Last month we had **11 Councils** above their glide path and this month we have **10 Councils**. These numbers should be continually improving based upon your membership goal. Your Membership Directors need to be actively working on their plan to make your council successful.

Listed below is the current standing, as of January 15th, as reported from Supreme. I know you have additional new members that haven't been added. Make your adjustment as needed. Based on a percentage glide path your membership goal should be as follows; by the end of January 58%, February 67%, March 75% and April 83%.

**CHURCH DRIVE 16 & 17 MARCH**

The report below shows exactly what every council in the State is accomplishing. **YOUR COUNCILS LIFE DEPENDS ON RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS. RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS IS YOUR LIFE INSURANCE FOR THE COUNCIL TO REMAIN A PRODUCTIVE PART OF YOUR PARISH.**

**CHURCH DRIVE 16 & 17 MARCH**

The report below shows exactly what every council in the State is accomplishing. As you can see there are Councils that have not recruited a new member since 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2012, that is 6 months, and there are Councils that have a negative percentage. **THE COUNCILS LIFE DEPENDS ON RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS. RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS IS YOUR LIFE INSURANCE FOR THE COUNCIL TO REMAIN A PRODUCTIVE PART OF YOUR PARISH LIFE.**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
MEMBERSHIP PROGRESS REPORT  
Jurisdiction: Arkansas**

COUNCIL	DISTRICT	LOCATION	MEMBERSHIP 7/1	MEMBERSHIP							
				QUOTA	THIS MONTH			YEAR TO DATE			PERCENT
					GAIN	LOSS	NET	GAIN	LOSS	NET	
		<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>7,267</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>108</b>	
00812	001	Little Rock	187	11	0	0	0	6	0	6	54.55
00996	009	Fort Smith	461	29	0	0	0	6	2	4	13.79
01153	003	Pine Bluff	99	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
01702	002	Jonesboro	215	14	2	2	0	2	2	0	0.00
01713	002	Paragould	70	5	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0.00
01770	011	Helena	56	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
02443	002	Pocahontas	183	11	0	0	0	17	0	17	154.55
02650	004	Texarkana	105	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
02780	003	Stuttgart	66	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
02857	002	Blytheville	61	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
03383	003	Lake Village	65	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
03787	014	Paris	229	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
03998	003	Slovak	115	8	0	0	0	2	1	1	12.50
04143	008	Conway	543	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
04147	011	Wynne	114	8	0	0	0	5	0	5	62.50
04538	012	Tontitown	117	8	0	0	0	2	0	2	25.00
05099	004	El Dorado	81	6	0	0	0	3	0	3	50.00
05209	008	Morrilton	258	18	0	0	0	1	4	-3	0.00
05725	014	Clarksville	106	7	0	0	0	2	0	2	28.57
05804	011	West Memphis	82	5	0	0	0	3	0	3	60.00
06140	007	Batesville	46	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
06253	013	North Little Rock	242	16	0	0	0	1	0	1	6.25
06398	008	Russellville	205	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
06419	010	Hot Springs	199	13	0	0	0	9	3	6	46.15
06454	006	Eureka Springs	30	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
06609	012	Fayetteville	161	11	0	0	0	8	5	3	27.27
06615	001	Little Rock	93	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
06680	008	New Dixie	103	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
06814	011	Brinkley	24	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
06834	006	Rogers	153	10	0	0	0	1	0	1	10.00
06942	Unassigned	Arkadelphia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
06969	005	Cherokee Village	69	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
07258	010	Mena	78	5	0	0	0	7	0	7	140.00
07353	005	Mountain Home	210	14	0	0	0	4	0	4	28.57
07783	002	State University	30	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
07787	012	Fayetteville	75	5	0	0	0	9	0	9	180.00
08410	005	Harrison	78	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
08815	007	Fairfield Bay	48	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
09396	010	Benton	71	5	0	0	0	0	9	-9	0.00
09514	006	Bella Vista	193	13	0	0	0	5	0	5	38.46
09777	009	Van Buren	108	8	0	0	0	1	0	1	12.50
10167	001	Little Rock	150	10	1	0	1	4	0	4	40.00
10208	010	Hot Springs Village	302	21	0	0	0	7	0	7	33.33
10493	005	Horseshoe Bend	32	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	33.33
10908	008	St Vincent	110	8	0	0	0	2	0	2	25.00
11097	013	Marche	115	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
11294	007	Searcy	65	4	0	0	0	3	6	-3	0.00
11604	013	Jacksonville	166	11	0	0	0	9	0	9	81.82
11908	010	Dequeen	31	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
12082	012	Springdale	130	9	0	0	0	1	0	1	11.11

12458	006	Bentonville	153	11	0	0	0	3	0	3	27.27
12473	004	Camden	60	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
12778	007	Heber Springs	48	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
12875	014	Charleston	142	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
13829	006	Siloam Springs	49	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	33.33
14010	014	Altus	65	5	0	0	0	3	0	3	60.00
14609	006	Rogers	62	4	0	0	0	6	0	6	150.00
14619	014	Scranton	95	7	0	0	0	2	1	1	14.29
14774	009	Fort Smith	33	3	0	0	0	3	0	3	100.00
15453	009	Fort Smith	30	3	4	0	4	4	0	4	133.33

HERE IS A PRIME EXAMPLE OF CONTINUALLY RECRUITING. AT THE END OF DECEMBER COUNCIL 15453 HAD ZERO NEW MEMBERS AND BY JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> THEY WENT TO 133% NEW MEMBERSHIP. Never give up recruiting. A couple of good months in your recruiting can make your goal for the year.

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE MARCH 16 & 17, GET READY!

Retention is a key to success for membership. When you drop a member you then have to recruit a new member to make your goal so it is important to have good retention committee. I know that you can't save everyone but find out there objections and try to resolve their issue.

**Council Officers should be leading by example and have recruited/our recruiting one new member.**

**OWNERSHIP:** When you recruit a new member it is important that you take ownership of him. Be a mentor; take him to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree's. Get him involved in activities. Everyone can't do everything but we can do some. Involvement of members keeps the Council growing.

Here are some ideas for the upcoming months that might help your recruiting:

- Continuous: **Officers Challenge** - Recruit one new member. All Officers should be actively recruiting. You have the experience and should be leading by example.
- February: **ORDER YOUR SUPPLIES FOR THE UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE SCHEDULED FOR MARCH. USE FORM 1 AND THE SUPPLY CATALOGUE (ITEM 1264) SO THAT YOU CAN GET YOUR SUPPLIES IN EARLY.**
- February: Young Adult Challenge is a membership challenge for the Third Quarter intended to invite a potential young adult member to see the good that you do and become a new member. Look at your Councils Fraternal Survey 1728 and see how many volunteer hours your members have done. Recruiting new members will increase your Councils ability to contribute more too all the activities you participate in. Volunteering gives a person the opportunity to give back to their community.
- March: **The State's Church Membership Drive is scheduled of 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Honoring our Founder Fr. Michael J. McGivney. Use all the info that you order earlier to help you explain all the programs available to those who join. At the end of March you need to be at a minimum of 75% of your membership goal.**
- April: **COME TO THE CONVENTION STANDING PROUD WITH AT LEAST 75% OF YOUR MEMBERSHIP GOAL COMPLETED. THIS IS THE TIME TO BRAG AND HAVE FUN. I WOULD LIKE TO REPORT TO THE STATE DEPUTY THAT EACH COUNCIL WIL FINISH THE YEAT AT 100% OR MORE.**

Michael (Mike) Wills  
State Membership Director

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS**  
**DUB GREEN**  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CHAIRMAN-SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

Plans are on-going to make the 2013 Special Olympics as successful as 2012. We have had much feedback, including from the State Board, about the creative, festive and fun atmosphere at Olympic Town. I have consulted with a representative from Wal-Mart to donate prizes to distribute to the participants. All of the games and bead boxes are in great condition. I am trying to get design plans for a simple game to be added to our present array of games, and the cost should be minimal.

The State competition will be held at the Harding University Campus in Searcy on May 24th and 25th, 2013 with the Knights of Columbus setting up our area on Thursday, May 23rd. We ask that Brother Knights seriously consider coming out to help in whatever way they can in 2013. It is a most rewarding experience. Please put these dates on your calendar and set the weekend aside to do something special for some "very special people". The work is not difficult -- it just takes a little of your time, which you will never regret. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES REPORT**  
**CALVIN WEBB**  
**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR**

Each one of us has a voice in shaping the world around us; as members of the Knights of Columbus we must make our voices heard. We need to do more than give up in despair over what is wrong, instead; we need to make a difference, One Person, One council at a time. Our communities offer limitless opportunity for action that can be seen, felt and judged for its true worth. Look for something that's needed and workable in your community and get involved.

With the winter in our midst we can find lots of opportunities to help in the community such as canned food drives to restock a local food pantry, Coats for Homeless or Coats for Kids and you could always help out at a local shelter. Remember the elderly and handicapped in your areas; assist them where possible as they may be unable to get out during bad weather.

If you have a community related activity you would like to see in this newsletter please email with the information.

God Bless  
Calvin Webb  
Community Activities Director  
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# **DEATH OF CAROLYN NEFF WIFE OF PAST STATE DEPUTY JIM NEFF**

**MRS. CAROLYN NEFF**

**MAY 24, 1940 - JANUARY 4, 2013**

Mrs. Carolyn M. Neff, age 72, of Mountain Home, Arkansas, passed away Friday, January 4, 2013, at her residence.

She was born May 24, 1940, in Baltimore, Maryland, to Charles Bernard and Margaret Anne McGarvey Mallon. On February 14, 1982, she married James R. Neff in Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Neff had three Masters Degrees and had served as a parochial school principal in Gaithersburg, Maryland. She worked for the Union Standard Insurance Company in Dallas and retired in 1996 from The Hartford in San Antonio, Texas, as the Director of Human Relations. She moved to Mountain Home in November, 1998, from San Antonio.

After retiring to Mountain Home, Mrs. Neff was an active volunteer in the community. She helped with the Crowley quads, served in the Mountain Home Christian Clinic, Pregnancy Resource Center, and the Baxter Regional Medical Center Auxiliary. She was an active member of St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church where she led the Rosary before Sunday Masses, was president for two years of the Council of Catholic Women and also served as State President of the Council of Catholic Women.

Survivors are her husband: Jim Neff: of the home; three stepchildren: Jimi (Susanne) Neff: Santa Cruz, California; Jennifer (Enrico) Pasqualini: Dublin, California; and Natalie Neff: Dayton, Ohio; two brothers: Charles Bernard (Terri) Mallon: Bristow, Virginia, and Michael (Sue) Mallon: Ninety-six, South Carolina; one sister: Anne (Tom) Cosgrove: Towson, Maryland; one step-granddaughter: Hanna Pasqualini and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A Memorial Mass will be announced later and held at St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church with entombment in Baxter Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to a favorite charity. Roller Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

## **STATE CHURCH DIRECTOR REPORT**

**ROY ANDERLE**

The February 2013 retreat at Subiaco is February 8-10, 2013

Fr. Elijah O.S.B. will be the retreat director.

These retreats is full, but please, sign up if you wish to attend, on standby; you will be on the list, the sooner the better.

Contact Information and registration

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### **MARCH 2013 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

Please send your newsletter reports, articles, messages and photos to John Hollender, Newsletter Editor, by Friday, February 15, 2013, for the March 2013 Newsletter. Please e-mail your report, article, message, and/or photos to [johnh911@conwaycorp.net](mailto:johnh911@conwaycorp.net).

# Reports Due

FORM	REPORT	DUE BY
185	REPORT OF OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR TERM JULY 1-JUNE 30	1-Jul
365	SERVICE PROGRAM PERSONNEL REPORT FOR THE TERM JULY 1-JUNE 30	1-Aug
1295-1	SEMIANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT REPORT	15-Aug
SC-KIT	SOCCER CHALLENGE KIT ORDER FORM	15-Aug
2629	NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ROUND TABLE COORDINATOR	1-Sep
SA-KIT	SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST KIT ORDER FORM	1-Sep
CR	OFFICIAL ORDER FORM FOR RECORDED COLUMBUS DAY PROGRAM	15-Sep
FT-KIT	FREE THROW COUNCIL COMPETITION KIT ORDER FORM	1-Nov
4567	SOCCER CHALLENGE PARTICIPATION REPORT FORM	1-Dec
FT- 1	FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP PARTICIPATION REPORT	31-Jan
4584	PARTNERSHIP PROFILE REPORT WITH SPECIAL OLYMPICS	31-Jan
1728	INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY REPORT	31-Jan
4001	SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST PARTICIPATION FORM	31-Jan
1295-2	SEMIANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT REPORT	15-Feb
SP-7	COLUMBIAN AWARD APPLICATION	30-Jun
2630	ANNUAL REPORT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROUND TABLE	30-Jun
2863	RSVP REFUND/PLAQUE APPLICATION	30-Jun
1728A	SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET	AS NEEDED
1598	FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP SCORE SHEET	AS NEEDED
1831	RELIEF FROM COUNCIL DUES AND PER CAPITA TAXES	AS NEEDED
1993A	FAMILY OF THE MONTH GENERIC REPORT FORM	AS NEEDED
2935	COLUMBIAN SQUIRES INQUIRY KIT ORDER FORM	AS NEEDED
4348	YOUTH LEADER	AS NEEDED
4371	FATHER PRIOR	AS NEEDED
532	REQUISITION FOR FIRST DEGREE CEREMONIALS	AS NEEDED
EA-Kit	ESSAY CONTEST KIT ORDER FORM	AS NEEDED
STSP	STATE COUNCIL SERVICE PROGRAM AWARDS ENTRY FORM	AS NEEDED

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