



KNIGHTS

OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

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Knights of Columbus Arkansas State Council January 2014



State Deputy's Report for January 2014

Michael Kieffer, State Deputy

Happy New Year to one and all. 2013 has been great and we have accomplished many good things. We bought two new ultra sound machines, raised substantial funds for Charity, Persons with Intellectual Disabilities and started a new Council in Booneville. 2014 has the potential to be the best year yet.

This is the half way point of our fraternal year and we are just a third of the way toward our membership goal. The good news behind that is that you will get extra points to use toward promotional items for bringing in a least one new member per month. Your sights should be set on Star Council. Every council still has time to make that goal. If you are not growing you are standing still.

Mark your calendars for the Vigil for Life on January 18th, the Mass for Life and March for Life on January 19th. The Vigil will occur at St. Andrews Cathedral. The Mass for Life will be at the Robinson Center, Markham and Broadway, at 11 am for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 11:15 am the Rosary of Life, then at noon the Mass for Life. The March will follow at 2 pm at Capital and Battery Streets. For more information call the diocesan Respect Life Office 501-664-0340. All participants are invited to join either North Little Rock Knights at their Council Hall or Jacksonville Knights at St. Jude's Parish Hall for a Chili Dinner after the March. See you there!

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All Councils should have their Basketball Free Throw Contest in January; District Deputies will schedule the District Contests for February. State Competition will be March 2nd at St. Joseph's Activity Center. Registration and warm up from noon to 12:55 and competition starts at 1 pm. Don't be late!

April 26 through the 28, 2014 will be the State Convention in Russellville. The Grand Knight and a Past Grand Knight (or a 3rd Degree Member) should be there to represent every council at this important event. You may want to have a fund raiser to help subsidize your delegates. The state pays registration but your delegate may need help with travel and lodging.

One Member per Council per Month (each council officer brings in a new member)!

One first Degree per Council/District per Month!

One Star Council per District per Year!

Vivat Jesus!

Mike Kieffer, State Deputy



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TEAM WORK!!!!

ONE MEMBER/ PER COUNCIL/ PER MONTH

ONE 1ST DEGREE/PER DISTRICT/PER MONTH

One new Member per Council Officer

A NEW YEAR HAS BEGUN!!!

Listed below are the Councils at/are above the Glide Path percentage of 50%.

Council 7787 Fayetteville 116%

Council 11294 Searcy 75%

Council 11604 Jacksonville 66%

Council 6419 Hot Springs 100%

Council 14609 Rogers 60%

Council 1702 Jonesboro 57%

Council 1770 Helena 50%

Council 9696 Benton 80%

Keep your Membership Teams geared up and ready to recruit. Strong Team Members are the key to success.

District Deputies and Grand Knights must train their Team Members so that they have every tool available to meet their recruiting objective. Councils must be planning recruiting events well in advance and get everyone energized. PLAN, PLAN, PLAN!

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MEMBERSHIP-INSURANCE PROGRESS REPORT

Jurisdiction: AR

| COUNCIL | DISTRICT | LOCATION | MEMBERSHIP 7/1 | MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | |
|---------|----------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|------------|----------|----------|--------------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| | | | | QUOTA | THIS MONTH | | | YEAR TO DATE | | | PERCENT |
| | | | | | GAIN | LOSS | NET | GAIN | LOSS | NET | |
| | | Arkansas | 7374 | | 9 | 6 | 3 | 127 | 56 | 71 | |
| 812 | 001 | Little Rock | 187 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 18.18 |
| 996 | 009 | Fort Smith | 459 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 5 | -1 | 0.00 |
| 1153 | 003 | Pine Bluff | 99 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 16.67 |
| 1702 | 002 | Jonesboro | 209 | 14 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 8 | 57.14 |
| 1713 | 002 | Paragould | 65 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | -6 | 0.00 |
| 1770 | 011 | Helena | 58 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 50.00 |
| 2443 | 002 | Pocahontas | 196 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 2650 | 004 | Texarkana | 101 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 42.86 |
| 2780 | 003 | Stuttgart | 62 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0.00 |
| 2857 | 002 | Blytheville | 60 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 25.00 |
| 3383 | 003 | Lake Village | 64 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 3787 | 014 | Paris | 233 | 16 | 0 | 4 | -4 | 0 | 4 | -4 | 0.00 |
| 3998 | 003 | Slovak | 115 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 37.50 |
| 4143 | 008 | Conway | 556 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 13 | 37.14 |
| 4147 | 011 | Wynne | 121 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 25.00 |
| 4538 | 012 | Tontitown | 119 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 25.00 |
| 5099 | 004 | El Dorado | 84 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 33.33 |

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| 5209 | 008 | Morrilton | 258 | 18 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 11.11 |
| 5725 | 014 | Clarksville | 103 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 14.29 |
| 5804 | 011 | West Memphis | 82 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 6140 | 007 | Batesville | 55 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 6253 | 013 | North Little Rock | 236 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 31.25 |
| 6398 | 008 | Russellville | 199 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 5 | -1 | 0.00 |
| 6419 | 010 | Hot Springs | 215 | 14 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 16 | 2 | 14 | 100.00 |
| 6454 | 006 | Eureka Springs | 29 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 6609 | 012 | Fayetteville | 172 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 16.67 |
| 6615 | 001 | Little Rock | 90 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 16.67 |
| 6680 | 008 | New Dixie | 105 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 6814 | 011 | Brinkley | 24 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 6834 | 006 | Rogers | 155 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 18.18 |
| 6942 | Unassigned | Arkadelphia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 6969 | 005 | Cherokee Village | 65 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 7258 | 010 | Mena | 82 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 16.67 |
| 7353 | 005 | Mountain Home | 207 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 | -8 | 0.00 |
| 7783 | 002 | State University | 30 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 7787 | 012 | Fayetteville | 85 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 7 | 116.67 |
| 8410 | 005 | Harrison | 78 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 40.00 |
| 8815 | 007 | Fairfield Bay | 47 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 9396 | 010 | Benton | 67 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 80.00 |
| 9514 | 006 | Bella Vista | 203 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 14.29 |

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| 9777 | 009 | Van Buren | 105 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 14.29 |
| 10167 | 001 | Little Rock | 157 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 18.18 |
| 10208 | 010 | Hot Springs Village | 300 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | -1 | 0.00 |
| 10493 | 005 | Horseshoe Bend | 35 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 10908 | 008 | St Vincent | 114 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0.00 |
| 11097 | 013 | Marche | 109 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 | -5 | 0.00 |
| 11294 | 007 | Searcy | 63 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 75.00 |
| 11604 | 013 | Jacksonville | 181 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 8 | 66.67 |
| 11908 | 010 | Dequeen | 31 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 12082 | 012 | Springdale | 127 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 11.11 |
| 12458 | 006 | Bentonville | 165 | 11 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 6 | 10 | -4 | 0.00 |
| 12473 | 004 | Camden | 63 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 12778 | 007 | Heber Springs | 44 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 12875 | 014 | Charleston | 141 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10.00 |
| 13829 | 006 | Siloam Springs | 51 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 14010 | 014 | Altus | 70 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 20.00 |
| 14609 | 006 | Rogers | 70 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 60.00 |
| 14619 | 014 | Scranton | 102 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 14.29 |
| 14774 | 009 | Fort Smith | 36 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 15453 | 009 | Fort Smith | 35 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |



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If the 21 Councils that have not recruited one new member; would just recruit 1 new member for the next 6 months most Councils would make their membership goal for the year. Gentlemen some of these losses are preventable by having a good Retention Team. It is your responsibility to make certain your Councils actively work and make every effort to retain current members.

Get your members involve in your many programs.

TEAM WORK!

WE NEED EVERY COUNCIL TO STEP UP AND PUT EXTRA EFFORT IN THEIR RECRUITING EFFORT. THERE ARE A LOT OF COUNCILS THAT HAVE NOT RECRUITED ONE NEW MEMBER.

The Recruiting Flyer# 10099 , JUST 24 HOURS CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE, is a good recruiting tool for individuals who do not have time to be a Knight, as a matter of fact it is a GREAT informational tool that must be order and used, it really can make the difference in your recruiting efforts.

8 HOURS WORKING ON CHARITABLE PROJECTS

4 HOURS COUNCIL SOCIAL FUNCTION

4 HOURS ATTENDING MEETINGS

6 HOURS READING THE COLUMBIA AND VISITING THE KNIGHTS WEBSITE

1 HOUR MEETING WITH YOUR INSURANCE AGENT

1 HOUR ATTENDING MASS WITH YOUR COUNCIL

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TOTAL 24 HOURS

INSURE THAT ALL OF YOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE ONE OF THESE FLYERS BECAUSE IT WILL REMIND THEM OF WHAT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IS ALL ABOUT, INFORMED MEMBERS MAKE RECRUITING EASIER.

TEAM WORK!

OUR MISSION FOR THE STATE IS TO RECRUIT 375 NEW MEMBERS WHICH IS ABOUT 85 MEMBERS THEN LAST YEAR'S GOAL. THIS IS VERY ACHIEVABLE AS LONG AS EVERY COUNCIL PUTS FOR A SOLID EFFORT AND MAKE RECRUITING ACCOMPLISHMENT THEIR GOAL.

THERE ARE A NUMBER OF INCENTIVES THAT MEMBERS AND COUNCILS CAN ACHIEVE BESIDE THE COVETED STAR COUNCIL AWARD.

NEW INCENTIVES ARE:

1. TRIPLE STAR COUNCIL
2. GENERAL AGENT KEVIN PIERCE 2 \$500 AWARDS. AWARDED AT STATE CONVENTION
3. ALL COUNCIL OFFICERS RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER THEN THE COUNCIL WILL RECEIVE 26000/52,000 RECRUITMENT REWARD POINTS.

All Council Officers should be leading by example and have an active role in Recruiting.

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VOCATIONS / RSVP

Chairman Peter McNulty

Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators, District Deputies

My Brother Knights, All:

Prayerfully we all had a Thanks giving for all the blessings we have received. When you receive this letter, the real reason for the season will have passed - - -hopefully and prayerfully we all will have received God's Gift to enhance our lives, spiritually and materially.

With the start of this year, 2014, we will have the opportunity to review our past efforts and contemplate and form our plans for the forthcoming year. Has your Council/Assembly had a good year? Will this year be better?

The RSVP is one of the most important programs to promote the future of our Church. We as Catholics, have a need to see new priests Ordained to serve us. Our strength comes from the Eucharist that only our priests can provide. Our faith is continually challenged on a daily basis from so many directions. The fight sometimes seems impossible.

We can and should reinforce our energies to meet the fight head on by our daily prayers and reception of the Eucharist. The reception of the Eucharist, can only happen when we have priests available to consecrate His Body and Blood, The Gift Christ gave us.

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We are very fortunate to have 3 new Ordinations in the Spring and 1 planned for late Fall this year (2014).

Our Diocese is blessed to be looking forward to several years of Ordinations.

Msgr. Friend and his Vocation team have served our Diocese well by having approximately 35 seminarians left after the Ordination in 2014. These men deserve our continued support to see them continue their studies to fulfill God's call to them to serve His Church.

Is your Council/Assembly participating in the RSVP? While we have several Councils and Assemblies support several seminarians, there are a number of Councils and Assemblies NOT involved! Can your Council or Assembly join the effort this year?

I want to acknowledge the fact that there are several councils, supporting through the RSVP, several seminarians in the Religious Orders and in other Diocese. Some are members of the

K of C and several have fathers who are members. Thank you, Brother Knights, for your RSVP participation.

I want to repeat a "thank you" to all the support of our seminarians and especially the prayers that are so necessary for the Holy Spirit to continue the guidance and moral support that each seminarian needs to continue the long period they must take to Ordination!

God Bless you all, and may you all have a prosperous New Year in all aspects of your lives.

Vivat Jesu

Peter



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STATE CHAPLIN

Father Bill Elser

"No room in the Inn". I'm sure everyone recognizes that quote as coming from Luke's Gospel that was recently proclaimed at one of the Christmas Masses throughout the Catholic Church and in other Christian Churches as well. I'm sure those who did not have or did not make room for Mary and Joseph, could not have appreciated who they were refusing to admit into one of their dwellings. Their Inn could have been famous then and for the rest of time if Jesus had been born there. Our motive for letting Jesus into the room of our minds and hearts continually each day should not be so that we can be famous (because we won't be because we do this). Rather if we allow the Lord to dwell with us at all times, we will not only experience his love and peace, but also his guidance in our day to day encounters with others. As it is becomes known (hopefully by our own initiative) that we are in the brotherhood of the Knights of Columbus, the Lord will draw others to him and hopefully to the Knights because of our Christ-like demeanor and focus on those who are in need. The Knights of Columbus should always open its doors and keep them open for other Catholic men to enter along with their families. With God's grace leading us to welcome Christ daily and often into the room of our minds and hearts, we can send a message to others that he is ready to enter and not only stay awhile, but remain throughout their lives. Let's tell Jesus," There's not only a room for you, but always the best room in my house for you to dwell..... Vivat Jesus



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MEMBERSHIP RAFFLE

Kevin Pierce, our General Insurance Agent, announced at our Convention in Jonesboro that he would be sponsoring a Membership Raffle with two \$500 prizes. To get a ticket you need only bring in three new members or reactivations. Each new member after that gets you another ticket to win. Drawing will be at our convention in Russellville.

Supreme gave the State Council a \$100 for second place in a membership contest. We will use that to add to the pot. Each proposer will get one ticket for each new member for a second raffle. Two tickets will be drawn for \$50 prizes.

This is not the Power Ball Lottery but your chances are a lot better. Be a winner bring in a new member or three!

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FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Every council has a family that does something special that deserves credit. Use the Family of the Month Program to give them that credit. Pick out that family. Use the form on the kofc.org website and get the information required for that form. Send it in to Supreme. All that might take 5 minutes. Every month Supreme draws 100 Family of the Month selectees and sends them a Holy Family statue. Arkansas normally gets one of those statues every month. Help your family get theirs!



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NEWSLETTER REMINDER

Please send your newsletter reports, articles, messages and photos to: Alex Martinez at:

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