

## **Knights of Columbus**

**Arkansas State Council** 

Newsletter

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# July 2011 I AM MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

#### STATE DEPUTY REPORT

**CHARLES KETTER** 

#### **Brother Knights:**

Heart Disease is a humbling experience. There are not enough words to thank my brother Knights for all the prayers and support I received during this time. To Father Abbot Jerome Kodell and the monks of Subiaco, the priests of the Diocese of Little Rock, the seminarians of



the Diocese of Little Rock and everyone who prayed on my behalf, I want to say thank-you and there will not be a day that goes by that I will not remember you in prayer. May God bless and keep you always. Thanks also to Mike Kieffer for taking my place for the two weeks I was out of commission.

We have finished the fraternal year with a bang and fell just short of the goal set by Supreme for membership. We now have a new goal to work for. The tool we will use this year is - ONE NEW MEMBER EVERY MONTH PER COUNCIL - how simple and easy can this be? There will be many incentives from Supreme to achieve this goal. Are you up to the challenge? Your District Deputy will be holding district meetings to inform every one of the things you could win.

We are keeping the charge from the Bible of, I AM MY BROTHER'S KEEPER, as the way we are to live this year. You, my brother Knights, lived this charge this past year with pride. Father McGivney would be proud of the Knights in the Arkansas Jurisdiction. Don't forget the seminarian TASTE OF FAITH DINNER on August 6th in Little Rock - we will need several knights to help.

Vivat Jesu Charles Ketter Arkansas State Deputy

## VOCATIONS CHAIRMAN PETER MCNULTY

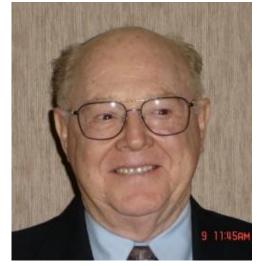
My Brother Knights,

There is so much to be thankful for:

We have three (3) new Deacons, soon (2012) to be ordained to the Priesthood. Three young Priests to serve God and all of us at the Altar, to bring us the Eucharist and all the other sacraments.

Our Diocese through the continuous efforts of Msgr. Friend, Msgr. O'Donnell, and Father Erik Pohlmeier, we have seminarians under study (at present) that will provide new priests through 2019

The June 18th edition of the "Arkansas Catholic contained the annual "Vocations" special report. The information contained in this issue is enlightening as to the many aspects of vocations, both to the religious life and to the lay families. The importance of prayer for the growth of those called to the service of God is stressed. We Knights of Columbus have had for many years, a "Prayer for Vocations" and a "Prayer to know ones Vocation card produced by the Supreme Council. A few years back, one of our State Deputies had cards produced locally to give to each Knight. I am sure that these prayers may have been the inspiration to more than one candidate to the religious



life. In the newspaper, on page 14, Father Erik Pohlmeier has another "Prayer for Vocations" that can raise the awareness of all to the spirit and source of vocations.

Msgr. Friend, very aptly points out: the Journey to Priesthood is not a cake-walk. We have seen, over the years, some men leave the seminary. Some find that it is not really their calling and some are not meant to be a priest, When we see a young man come before the Bishop and finally pledge obedience to him, that moment is the final step in the Journey The priest never stops learning, he has to grow in his priesthood in order to deal with the various and

many requests from his parishioners. He must also be ready to follow the Bishop's assignments, whatever and wherever it may be

Three parishes in the Diocese of Little Rock have Vocation Prayer Groups, Perhaps, after reading this year's Vocation Edition, more groups will spring up. A daily prayer could be as simple as "Heavenly Father, we ask that the Holy Spirit guide, encourage, and support each seminarian to the fruition of his calling".

Please note the Knights of Columbus input on page 12!!! It says a great deal about our Seminarian Support.

God bless you all and your families

God bless America and all our service men and women who keep us FREE.

Vivat Jesu!

Peter McNulty

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT JULY 2011 JIMMY MCKINNON, PSD STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

#### Membership Report

The Knights of Columbus is a men's fraternal organization that exemplifies the assistance given to Church, family and the organization.



Our fraternal year starts July 1, 2011. We have twelve months to achieve our membership quota for this year. Have you any new members? Have you met your other goals for your council? Ha, Ha, but I want to get an early start this year. Membership is going out and asking eligible men to join the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS in Arkansas.

Our goal for Arkansas this fraternal year is 400 new knights. Our theme is one knight, per month, per council. That is an achievable goal. If you look at conducting a first degree or going to another Council for a first degree, and if you bring one knight, per month then we will achieve our goals. Goals

are important but a goal is a reflection on achievement and our goals are relevant but it is not important unless you want it to be. The importance of membership goals is to get new knights of Columbus members into our organizations in order for them and us to promote our Church, our programs and also to have family functions that are important to us.

You can achieve those goals!! Why do Council's need new members? One of the most relevant aspect and reason is go continue the leadership of promoting our programs for its communities in the State of Arkansas. Become more active in the Knights programs.

Membership growth and the Knight's Programs are important to the Council's and ties very closely together. Without Membership promotions and growth we could not achieve our programs. Without Programs including Church we would not need to grow in membership. Each Knights of Columbus Council needs to continue recruiting new men into the Knights of Columbus. Let's look at membership this year to increase our members for us. This would not be for promoting Membership for the Supreme Council or the State Council, but for us and our local Councils so that we can do more things for the Church and for our Programs that help so many people in the State.

Good luck this year and with a positive attitude about our membership and programs we will succeed.

Please contact me and we will work on the development of the membership program for this year.

Jimmy McKinnon, PSD Membership Director

# CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES JOHN BODENSTEINER, CHAIRMAN

As councils plan their calendars for the 2011-2012 Fraternal Year, they should remember to schedule their Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (CPID) in early October (reference the State Convention resolution that follows). Each Council needs to begin planning in the next two (2) months. As soon as the new State Council Directories become available, I will be emailing all councils the tootsie roll and apron order forms.

I am hoping that we can improve upon recent campaign performances. While the 2010 CPID raised 30% more funds than in 2009, the council participation rate was still only 64% with just eight councils raising 67% of the \$65,313 total. It is apparent that a few councils are doing the heavy lifting. Two districts had no councils involved in the campaign.

The 56 councils in Arkansas should be raising at least \$100,000 annually for this Knights of Columbus signature cause. In 1980, for example, over \$90,000 was raised, and in 2000 almost \$87,000. Let's make 2011 the record year!

#### **RESOLUTION 16**

Whereas: The Knights of Columbus State Council programs are carried out through the local councils and

Whereas: The Local Councils should hold annual Fund Raising Activities for the Mentally Challenged Citizens no later than the second (2nd) weekend of October each year and

Whereas: A report must be submitted to the Persons with Disabilities Chairman and the net money must be received by the State Secretary by December  $1_{st}$  to qualify for awards.

Therefore be it Resolved: That the net money be sent to the State Secretary will be distributed as follows: fifteen percent (15%) of the net to be contributed to the "ARC of Arkansas" for the funding of the "Knights of Columbus Summer Camps for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities". The remaining eighty-five percent (85%) of the net will be distributed by the individual councils to organizations that assist Persons with Intellectual Disabilities. All checks are to be made out to the Designated Charitable Organizations and will be distributed to the councils by the State Treasurer no later than the Mid-Year State Meeting.

Submitted by Council 00812

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#### **FATHER MCGIVNEY GUILD**

R. S. 'Bob' Peters, Jr., PSD, FVSM
FATHER MICHAEL J. McGivney Guild Chairman

The Roman process of investigation into his life and holiness is nearing completion, and the investigation into a reported miracle is progressing. The Guild plays an important role in



making Father McGivney better known and spreading the word about his powerful intercession.

Again I am pleading with each of you to join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild, it is painless, free and it will help in the cause of Sainthood for Father McGivney. As a member of the Guild you will receive updates, miracles etc., on the progress to Sainthood.

At present we only have about 10% (619) of our membership participating in the Guild, this is a very sad situation; we need to get our numbers way up. Get on your computer, right now, and go www.fathermcgivney.org to make your presence known, it is important, do it now.

Thanks for participating and joining the Guild.

**Vivat Jesus** 

#### **DECEASED SIR KNIGHT MICHAEL CRIMMINS**

FATHER HENRY J. CHINERY - ASSEMBLY 2060 - MOUNTAIN HOME, AR

Past Grand Knight and Former District Deputy Michael Crimmins', age 73, from Lakeview, funeral mass was June 23rd at St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church, with entombment at Baxter Memorial Gardens with military honors.

Michael Crimmins was a retired sales manager and a prominent leader at St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran of the Korean Conflict.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara. Memorials may be made to St. Peter's Building Fund or Hospice of the Ozarks. Please pray for Mike and for his wife, Barbara, and members of the Crimmins family.



### **Newsletter Deadline**

Please try to send your newsletter reports, articles, messages and photos to John Hollender, Newsletter Editor, by Sunday, July 26, 2011, for the August 2011 Newsletter. Please e-mail your report, article, message, or photos to johnh911@conwaycorp.net.

### **Reports Due**

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

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