

Knights of Columbus Arkansas State Council



# March 2012

# I AM MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

# STATE DEPUTY CHARLES KETTER



Brother Knights we have a great challenge before us. I pray you are using these 40 days for Penance, Fasting and Almsgiving. What better time than now to remember the importance of our priests in our life. As Pope John Paul the II said no priest no Eucharist. We have presented the Bishop with the first \$100,000 as a sign of our desire to join with him in strengthening of the church in Arkansas. Some of the councils have already sent there money to the Worthy State Secretary. I encourage each council to do the same as we fulfill our pledge of \$187,000 to make sure the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist will always be celebrated in our parishes.

In January, Pope Benedict said, "It is imperative that the entire Catholic community in America come to realize the

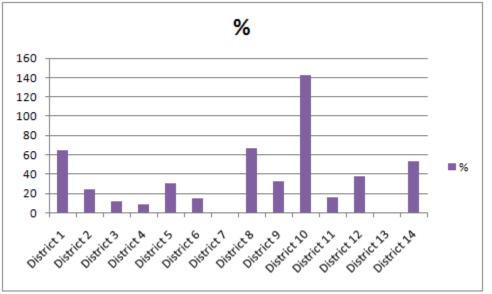
grave threats to the Catholic Church's public moral witness presented by a RADICAL SECULARISM which finds increasing expression in the political and cultural spheres". These rogue ideas can erect government barriers to the Church's public moral witness, but it also seeks other ways to exclude this witness from the nation's public discourse.

It is YOU my brothers who must stand and defend the beliefs and the rights of every Christian. We cannot be silent on this issue. I urge you to pray for direction and strength to oppose these sins of Our Nation.

Finally last but not least we need to add strength to our ranks. The only way to do this is to recruit. I need every one of you to ask just one Catholic man to join your council. March is founder's month so this is the time to push membership. Do not be afraid we need you to step out of your comfort zone and ask just one man to join us. The Pope needs us Bishop Taylor need us and your Pastor needs us. But most of all Christ needs us share His message. Remember Christ has no body no hands and no feet but yours. Let us all carry the message of Holy Week to every part of Arkansas all year long.

Vivat Jesu Charles Ketter State Deputy

The chart below list each district current performance toward their goal of 100%.



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT JIMMY MCKINNON, PSD MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

# MARCH 2012

Let us continue with recruiting One Member, Per Month, Per Council - for the State of Arkansas!!

Starting off the year has been good but we need (4) Four great Months to recruit and put in new Knights of Columbus Members in your Council.



The end of the Fraternal Year will be here before you know it. Have you attained your Membership Goal?

#### We need new members in the Knights of Columbus!!

Viva

Jesus.

Jimmy McKinnon, PSD Membership Director

# ARKANSAS SPECIAL OLYMPICS WILLIAM (DUB) GREEN ARKANSAS STATE SPECIAL OLYMPICS CHAIRMAN

Brother Knights,

Now is the time to start thinking about and planning for the 2012 Arkansas Special Olympics State Competition. We had 23 HSV Knights/spouses/friends + 3 others from other Councils helping in the Knights of Columbus Olympic Town last year. We need at least that many for 2012, but more would be enormously appreciated.

WHEN:	MAY 24-26, 2012				
WHERE:	Harding University Campus, Searcy, Arkansas				
SCHEDULE:	Thursday:	5:30 PM Volunteers Welcome party			
		7:00 PM Opening Ceremony			
	Friday:	Work from 8:00 AM-3:30PM.			
		Hamburger/Hot Dog Lunch provided			
	Saturday:	Work from 8:00 AM-11:30 AM.			
		Sack lunch provided			

Knights, their spouses and other volunteers who will work Friday morning beginning at 8:00 AM, can arrive to check in after 3pm Thursday. <u>2-nights lodging</u> will be provided for those working <u>both Friday and Saturday</u>. <u>1-night lodging</u> will be provided for those planning to work <u>Friday only</u>. The cost of the lodging is covered by Arkansas Special Olympics funds. Because of the economy, we ask that you take this into consideration when you ask for lodging.



Sir Knights from Mountain Home and Hot Springs Village have agreed to serve as the Honor Guard for the "Opening Ceremonies" on Thursday evening. Please plan to arrive at Harding Campus no later than 5:30 PM Thursday.

I have attended two Arkansas Special Olympics Board meetings, which were very informative. The enthusiasm of all involved is very inspiring. There is a meeting on April 27, which I will attend prior to the State competition and will provide information as I acquire it.

For info call me at 501-922-6134 Email: dubgeri@suddenlink.net

#### William (Dub) Green Knights of Columbus Chairman-Special Olympics Arkansas

as of 1/25/2012

# Arkansas Knights of Columbus 2011-2012Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities by District by Council

00812 06615 10167	01 01 01	Little Rock Little Flower Christ the King	Little Rock Little Rock Little Rock	190 91 152	\$0.00 \$1.56	\$142.00		\$142.00
10167					-	\$142.00		\$142.00
	01	Christ the King	Little Rock	152	ć0.00			-
04700					\$0.00	\$142.00		\$142.00
01702	02	Father Louis Deuster	Jonesboro	194	\$0.00			
01713	02	St Mary's	Paragould	78	\$1.28	\$100.00		\$100.00
02443	02	Pocahontas	Pocahontas	179	\$11.31	\$2,380.84	\$2,023.71	\$357.13
02857	02	Our Lady of Victory Arkansas State	Blytheville	61	\$0.00			
07783	02	University	Jonesboro	36	\$0.00	\$2,480.84	\$2,023.71	\$457.13
01153	03	Pine Bluff	Pine Bluff	107	\$0.00			
02780	03	Bishop John B Morris	Stuttgart	68	\$0.00			
03383	03	Father Galloni	Lake Village	65	\$0.00			
03998	03	Bishop Albert L Fletcher	Slovak	113	\$0.00			
02650	04	St Edward's	Texarkana	112	\$29.73	\$3,330.00	\$2,830.50	\$499.50
	02443 02857 07783 01153 02780 03383 03998	02443 02 02857 02 07783 02 01153 03 02780 03 03383 03 03998 03	0244302Pocahontas0285702Our Lady of Victory Arkansas State0778302University0115303Pine Bluff0278003Bishop John B Morris0338303Father Galloni0399803Bishop Albert L Fletcher	0244302PocahontasPocahontas0285702Our Lady of Victory Arkansas StateBlytheville Arkansas State0778302UniversityJonesboro0115303Pine BluffPine Bluff0278003Bishop John B MorrisStuttgart0338303Father GalloniLake Village0399803Bishop Albert L FletcherSlovak0265004St Edward'sTexarkana	0244302PocahontasPocahontas1790285702Our Lady of Victory Arkansas StateBlytheville610778302UniversityJonesboro360115303Pine BluffPine Bluff1070278003Bishop John B MorrisStuttgart680338303Father GalloniLake Village650399803Bishop Albert L FletcherSlovak1130265004St Edward'sTexarkana112	0244302PocahontasPocahontas179\$11.310285702Our Lady of Victory Arkansas StateBlytheville61\$0.000778302UniversityJonesboro36\$0.000115303Pine BluffPine Bluff107\$0.000278003Bishop John B MorrisStuttgart68\$0.000338303Father GalloniLake Village65\$0.000399803Bishop Albert L FletcherSlovak113\$0.00	0244302PocahontasPocahontas179\$11.31\$2,380.840285702Our Lady of Victory Arkansas State UniversityBlytheville61\$0.000778302UniversityJonesboro36\$0.000115303Pine BluffPine Bluff107\$0.000278003Bishop John B MorrisStuttgart68\$0.000338303Father GalloniLake Village65\$0.000399803Bishop Albert L FletcherSlovak113\$0.000265004St Edward'sTexarkana112\$29.73\$3,330.00	02443 02 Pocahontas Pocahontas 179 \$11.31 \$2,380.84 \$2,023.71   02857 02 Our Lady of Victory Arkansas State Blytheville 61 \$0.00 \$\$0.00   07783 02 University Jonesboro 36 \$0.00 \$\$2,480.84 \$\$2,023.71   01153 03 Pine Bluff Pine Bluff 107 \$0.00 \$\$2,480.84 \$\$2,023.71   01153 03 Pine Bluff Pine Bluff 107 \$0.00 \$\$2,480.84 \$\$2,023.71   01153 03 Pine Bluff Pine Bluff 107 \$0.00 \$\$2,480.84 \$\$2,023.71   01153 03 Bishop John B Morris Stuttgart 68 \$0.00 \$\$2,930.50   03383 03 Father Galloni Lake Village 65 \$0.00 \$\$0.00   03998 03 Bishop Albert L Fletcher Slovak 113 \$0.00 \$\$2,830.50   02650 04 St Edward's Texarkana 112 \$29.73 \$3,330.00 \$2,830.50

47	05000	0.4	Habi Dada away		05	¢0.00		6500 F0	¢102.00
17	05099	04	Holy Redeemer	El Dorado	85	\$8.08	\$686.58	\$583.59	\$102.99
49	12473	04	St Louis	Magnolia/Camden	49	\$0.00	\$4,016.58	\$3,414.09	\$602.49
							. ,	. ,	·
30	69690	05	St John Neumann	Cherokee Village	73	\$0.00			
32	73530	05	The Fisherman	Mountain Home	217	\$19.92	\$4,322.86	\$3,674.43	\$648.43
35	08410	05	Msgr Adam A Micek	Harrison	78	\$74.44	\$5,806.25	\$4,935.31	\$870.94
42	10493	05	Father Conan Mowhorr	Horseshoe Bend	30	\$7.84	\$235.29	\$200.00	\$35.29
						·	\$10,364.40	\$8,809.74	\$1,554.66
29	06834	06	Rogers	Rogers	153	\$4.48	\$685.19	\$582.41	\$102.78
38	09514	06	St Bernard	Bella Vista	197	\$37.27	\$7,342.24	\$6,240.90	\$1,101.34
48	12458	06	St Stephen	Bentonville	170	\$13.41	\$2,279.22	\$1,937.34	\$341.88
54	14609	06	The Mexican Martyrs	Rogers	81	\$0.00			
							\$10,306.65	\$8,760.65	\$1,546.00
21	06140	07	Blessed Sacrament	Batesville	46	\$15.22	\$700.00	\$595.00	\$105.00
36	08815	07	St Francis	Fairfield Bay	49	\$13.02	\$638.10	\$542.38	\$95.72
45	11294	07	Adam J Koffler	Searcy	66	\$0.00			
50	12778	07	Karl Christ Jr	Heber Springs	49	\$0.00	\$1,338.10	\$1,137.38	\$200.72
							<i>,,,,,,</i> ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	<i>, _,</i>	<b>,</b>
14	04143	08	Father Delbert	Conway	553	\$0.90	\$500.00	\$425.00	\$75.00
18	05209	08	Msgr Charles Kordsmeier	Morrilton	247	\$4.05	\$1,000.00	\$850.00	\$150.00
23	06398	08	Father Joe Lauro	Russellville	199	\$3.54	\$704.34	\$598.69	\$105.65
27	06680	08	Father Othmar	Bigelow	97	\$5.15	\$500.00	\$425.00	\$75.00
43	10908	08	Father Arthur B Chaisson	St Vincent	106	\$5.66	\$600.00	\$510.00	\$90.00
							\$3,304.34	\$2,808.69	\$495.65
2	00996	09	Pius XII	Fort Smith	461	\$8.46	\$3,900.00	\$3,315.00	\$585.00
39	09777	09	St Michael	Van Buren	102	\$10.21	\$1,041.00	\$884.85	\$156.15
56	14774	09	Holy Martyrs of Vietnam	Barling	32	\$3.13	\$100.00 <b>\$5,041.00</b>	\$85.00 <b>\$4,284.85</b>	\$15.00 <b>\$756.15</b>
							<b>9</b> 9,041.00	,20 <del>1</del> .05	<i>973</i> 0.13
24	06419	10	Hot Springs	Hot Springs	188	\$27.43	\$5,156.96	\$4,383.42	\$773.54
31	07258	10	Msgr A P Gallager	Mena	75	\$58.97	\$4,423.07	\$3,759.61	\$663.46
37	09396	10	Benton	Benton	74	\$22.99	\$1,701.50	\$1,446.28	\$255.23
41	10208	10	Daniel Patrick Sullivan	Hot Springs Village	280	\$36.72	\$10,280.00	\$8,738.19	\$1,542.03
							\$21,561.53	\$18,327.49	\$3,234.26
6	01770	11	Helena	Helena	53	\$0.00			
15	04147	11	Father John J Boyce	Wynne	117	\$0.00			
20	05804	11	Fr Francis X Prendergast	West Memphis	84	\$0.00			
28	06814	11	Msgr Charles B McCoy	Brinkley	26	\$0.00			
16	04538	12	Father Bandini	Tontitown	111	\$0.00			
25	06609	12	Father Charles McCauley	Fayetteville	155	\$0.00 \$7.07	\$1,095.60	\$931.26	\$164.34
23	00000	16	. action charles wiceduicy		100	<i>ү</i> ,.07	÷+,055.00	<i>↓</i> ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	¥104.94
Page 5									

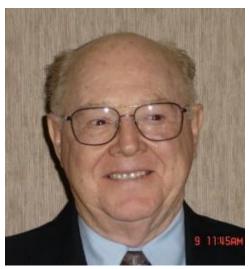
34	07787	12	John H Cardinal Newman	Fayetteville	60	\$0.00			
47	12082	12	St Raphael	Springdale	118	\$2.26	\$266.24	\$226.30	\$39.94
52	13829	12	Divine Mercy	Siloam Springs	44	\$9.85	\$433.25 <b>\$1,795.09</b>	\$368.25 <b>\$1,525.81</b>	\$65.00 <b>\$269.28</b>
22	06253	13	Father James McDonnell	North Little Rock	245	\$3.27	\$800.00	\$680.00	\$120.00
44	11097	13	Rev Charles Hertel	Marche	107	\$0.00			
46	11604	13	St Jude's	Jacksonville	187	\$22.65	\$4,236.34 <b>\$5,036.34</b>	\$3,600.89 <b>\$4,280.89</b>	\$635.45 <b>\$755.45</b>
12	03787	14	Logan County	Paris	235	\$0.00			
19	05725	14	Clarksville	Clarksville	103	\$1.00	\$103.00		\$103.00
51	12875	14	Sacred Heart	Charleston	132	\$4.55	\$600.00	\$510.00	\$90.00
53	14010	14	St Mary's	Altus	66	\$11.36	\$750.00	\$637.50	\$112.50
55	14619	14	Abbot Raphael DeSalvo	Scranton	88	\$5.68	\$500.00 <b>\$1,953.00</b>	\$425.00 <b>\$1,572.50</b>	\$75.00 <b>\$380.50</b>

Total \$67,339.87 \$56,945.79 \$10,390.30

# VOCATIONS CHAIRMAN PETER MCNULTY

Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators, District Deputies, and Brother Knights;

After an absence of writing a letter, there is much to catch up on!



Many, but not all, have heard of the plan by the State Council to give large support to the New Formation House for our seminarians, a great and well placed effort for the support of our Diocesan seminarians. Just in the past week, our State Deputy presented our Bishop with our first check for one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00.)

Msgr. Friend made a presentation at the State Mid Term meeting and provided a great deal of knowledge about the new Formation Center.

The newest information about the seminarians is: We have

thirty two (32) men in seminary studies and three (3) more in the Discernment process.

The best news is, of course, that this year our Diocese will ordain five (5) new Priests!

Juan Manjarrez, Alejandro Puello, and Mauricio Carrasco will be Ordained on May 26, 2012 at 10 AM. This will take place at Christ the King Church in Little Rock.

On July 21, 2012 at 10:00 AM, Andrew Hart will be Ordained at The Cathedral of St. Andrew in Little Rock.

The date and time has not been set for the Ordination of George Sanders.

At the present time, we have eight (8) men living at St. John's Center. Five (5) are classified as seminarians, and they are going to school at UALR. Three other men are going to school at ULAR who are in the discernment process. This process, established by Msgr. Friend, is to 1. keep a parish sense to their formation, and 2. to save some cost to the Diocese. In that regard, I would like to remind all, now that we are in the Lenten Season, that our Bishop has established Holy Thursday as the once a year Collection to support the "Seminarian Trust Fund". I ask all brother knights to remind ALL parishioners the importance of this collection!

With this new year, we have more seminarians to support through the RSVP. If your Council or Assembly is not at present, supporting a seminarian, please review your abilities to do so. For those of you that can, please contact me at 479-331-2341 or 479-567-2917. By contacting me, as suggested by Msgr. Friend, we can get all seminarians supported and prevent excessive multi awards to any one (1) seminarian.

Please consider the rewards your Council can receive: new priests to carry on the faithful service all of us need with the sacraments to sustain us in our lives. Supporting the RSVP also really helps satisfy your "Columbian Award Church Services". This is new and will cover for completion of Church Activities.

My thanks to all for your past cooperation and your continued support of the RSVP.

Contact me at <u>pmcnulty@centurytel.net</u> or call 479-331-2341 or 479-567-2917. I will return your call or e-mail as rapidly as I can.

# MARY R. HEATHCOTT MOTHER OF MICHAEL G. HEATHCOTT

February 25, 2012

Brother Knights, am a little late is sending out this sad information - Michael G. Heathcott, state advocate lost his mother Mary R. Heathcott, age 92 of Evansville, Indiana.

Mary Heathcott passed on to eternal reward on February 15<sup>th</sup> and was survived by two sons and one daughter.

Please remember Mary Heathcott in your prayers along with Mike and the rest of her family. May Her Soul Rest In Peace.

Fraternally, Bob Peters, PSD

## SUPPORT RESPECT FOR RIGHTS OF CONSCIENCE ACT JOHN BODENSTEINER COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

Brother Knights:

# Father Bill has asked that this information be sent to the membership with a request to call Senator Pryor at 501-324-6336 or 202 224-2353 ASAP.

#### SUPPORT RESPECT FOR RIGHTS OF CONSCIENCE ACT

2/17/2012

#### Senate Vote Expected



Last August, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a list of "preventive services for women" to be mandated in almost all private health plans under the new health care law, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). The mandated services include sterilization, all FDA-approved birth control (such as the IUD, Depo-Provera, 'morning-after' pills, and the abortioninducing drug Ella), and "education and counseling" to promote these among all "women of reproductive capacity." HHS's rule allowed only a very narrow exemption for a

"religious employer." Catholic organizations providing education, health care and charitable services to all in need could not qualify for the exemption.

On February 10, despite a storm of protest, President Obama adopted this policy as a final rule "without change" (*Federal Register*, 2/15/12, 8725). Religious organizations that cannot qualify for the exemption will have an extra year to comply; but before the end of that period, an additional rule will be issued to make sure that their employees receive the mandated coverage despite the employer's objection.

In a February 15 letter to the Senate, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, wrote: "In short, we are back to square one -- except that the

rule so many hoped would change to accommodate Americans' right of conscience is no longer subject to change, except by legislation." See: nchla.org/datasource/idocuments/S1467-2-15-12.pdf.

The need for action is unchanged. Congress must pass, and the President sign, the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act. See: <u>www.usccb.org/news/2012/12-026.cfm</u>. This measure will ensure that those who participate in the health care system "retain the right to provide, purchase, or enroll in health coverage that is consistent with their religious beliefs and moral convictions." Members of Congress should be urged to support this measure and work for its passage. For co-sponsors, please check H.R. 1179 and S. 1467 at: <u>thomas.loc.gov</u>.

<u>Please be advised</u>: During the week of February 27, the Senate is expected to vote on the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act in the form of an amendment to Transportation Authorization Bill (S. 1813). For this purpose Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO), the primary sponsor of S. 1467, has introduced Senate Amendment 1520. The suggested e-mail message to the Senate at the NCHLA Grassroots Action Center specifically urges Senators to vote for Senate Amendment 1520.

**ACTION**: Contact your U.S. Representative by e-mail, phone, or FAX letter:

Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at: <u>202-224-3121</u>, or call your Members' local offices.

Send an e-mail through NCHLA's Grassroots Action Center at: HERE.

Additional contact info can be found on Members' web sites at: <u>www.house.gov</u> and <u>www.senate.gov</u>.

**MESSAGE**: "Please co-sponsor and support the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act (H.R. 1179, S. 1467). The Obama administration's decision to mandate coverage of sterilization and contraceptives, including drugs that can cause an abortion, makes passage of this measure especially urgent. Please ensure that the religious liberty and conscience rights of all participants in our nation's health care system are respected."

**WHEN**: Now is the time to build support and urge a positive vote. Please act today! Thanks!

Updated 2/17/12

### PRO LIFE COUPLE

JIM & PATRICIA GOODSON

Brother Knights,

This is one of the petitions that call for Action for Freedom of Religion. Please sign and forward to all that you know. As our Bishops have said, we must continue sending these letters and petitions to our Government Officials.

An "Inside Baby" or "Outside Baby" - is still a Baby!

Mathew Staver, Chairman Liberty Counsel Action



Former Attorney General Edwin Meese, a leading member of President Ronald Reagan's Cabinet, recently said the Obama administration is "...as close to a monarchy as there's been since the days of George III." The President has once again grossly overstepped the constitutional authority of his office with his "contraceptive and abortifacient mandate," and Americans have had enough.

This latest usurpation is just the tip of Obama's iceberg of unconstitutional mandates that are emerging during the implementation of ObamaCare. The ObamaCare "mandates"

threaten the liberties of ALL Americans and must be stopped! Please read my very important update below – Mat James,

Our forefathers fought and died to overcome tyranny.

Our Constitution was designed to prevent the abuse of power by any one person or branch of government. It defines and limits the powers of the federal government and binds its officers with the restraints of checks and balances.

For the past three years, America has suffered under the leadership of one of the most dangerous administrations in American history. This autocratic President has trampled the Constitution, seized self-appointed power, and imposed "mandates" that differ little from dictatorial commands.

++Putting Obama's unconstitutional "ObamaCare mandates" into perspective...

In his ObamaCare "contraception mandate," Barack Obama is forcing insurance companies and self-insured religious organizations to provide contraceptives and abortifacients to Americans who want to pay for neither.

In the unconstitutional "individual mandate" at the core of ObamaCare, you are required to buy health insurance or pay a penalty.

The "contraception and abortifacient mandate" requires religious organizations, either through their insurance premiums directly if self-insured, to pay for chemical abortions.

In short, the "contraception and abortifacient mandate" blatantly violates the First Amendment's guarantee of free exercise of religion.

Plus, it also violates the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993, a law which was duly enacted during President Clinton's term of office. It is an assault on our conscience and collides the government against religious freedom.

Here's the simple bottom line: The mandate is unlawful!

++A "lawless administration."

President Obama's "mandates" have not only stretched the Constitution – they have broken it! Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) recently declared that the Obama administration "has become a lawless administration."

When a President refuses to enforce the law of the land, he has broken faith with his oath of office. He has become a law breaker –in this case, the broken law is the Constitution of the United States.

Sadly, we have seen unprecedented presidential tyranny in practice for the three years Barack Obama has been in office.

++Legislative attempts to correct this alarming situation...

Right now in Congress, there are three pieces of legislation making their way through both Chambers that can counter the "contraceptive and abortifacient mandate":

- Senator Roy Blunt's S.1318 is coming up for a Senate vote. Sen. Blount wrote, "This bill would just simply say that those health care providers don't have to follow that [ObamaCare] mandate if it violates their faith principles."
- 2. Congressman Jeff Fortenberry's, "Respect for Rights of Conscience Act" has been approved for a House vote. Representative Fortenberry wrote that his Act, "...would repeal the controversial [ObamaCare] mandate, amending the 2010 health care law to preserve

conscience rights for religious institutions, health care providers, and small businesses who pay for health care coverage."

3. Senator Marco Rubio's "Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 2012" is headed for a Senate committee and will, "...repeal a new ObamaCare mandate that violates the religious liberties and conscience rights of faith-based institutions by forcing them to offer employees insurance coverage for contraceptives."

Liberty Counsel Action is supporting the passage of all or any of these bills – which will likely be reconciled into one bill if the individual measures pass their respective Chamber.

I am calling on you to take a minute to tell your elected officials to pass these bills! This is extremely important!

I urge you to take action with us and sign Liberty Counsel Action's petition to stop Barack Obama's subversion of our religious liberties and conscience rights. With your help, we will be delivering multiplied tens of thousands of petitions to key Members of the House and Senate very soon.

Please copy of the following address into your browser's address line and press enter to sign: <u>http://www.lcaction.cc/660/petition.asp</u>

A recent CNS News headline describes the issue's urgency: "Catholic, Lutheran, Baptist, and Jewish Leaders Swear Disobedience to HHS Contraception Mandate."

Challenged with the choice of going against the federal government or violating their religious faith and moral consciences, these leaders are standing up to this outrageous new "mandate"! Liberty Counsel Action stands with these courageous leaders!

In a recent Congressional hearing, Rabbi Meir Soloveichik told representatives, "Freedom of conscience and of religion... is first and most sacred to Americans."

The leaders I've mentioned, and a great many more, know the danger of allowing this attack on people of faith to stand. They know this mandate is the proverbial "camel's nose in the tent."

James, I am simply asking you to sign a petition to STOP President Obama's mandates BEFORE we are forced to make even more difficult decisions.

Please, Please copy of the following address into your browser's address line and press enter to add your name to this critical petition, which will soon be delivered to Capitol Hill:

#### http://www.lcaction.cc/660/petition.asp

I am both pleased by your resolute patriotism and deeply humbled to stand with you against tyranny in defense of liberty, life, and family!

THANK YOU for all you do, and have done, as a key member of the Liberty Counsel Action team!

Mathew Staver, Founder and Chairman Liberty Counsel

P.S. Please join me in signing Liberty Counsel Action's petition to stop Barack Obama's subversion of our religious liberties and freedom of conscience! Then, help us reach more people by posting the petition link on your social network site or forwarding this message to as many of your friends as possible. Again, thank you and God bless you!

Liberty Counsel Action is a 501(c)4 organization. Gifts are not tax deductible.

Jim & Patricia Goodson Pro Life Couple Knights of Columbus State Council 501-226-5312 jim.patricia@suddenlink.net

# STATE AWARDS NOMINATIONS

PHILIP SAVAGE STATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARKANSAS STATE COUNCIL

Worthy Grand Knights

RE: State Awards Nominations

Please do not miss out on your chance to win a State Council Award.

To enter you will find extra blank forms on-line at <u>http://www.arkofc.net</u>.

Print and fill out the forms and mail them to me at:

Philip Savage, AR State Program Director 526 Charmont Drive, Charleston, AR 72933

Please have these completed forms to me no later than midnight March 17, 2012.





- Six Service Awards (Church, Council, Community, Family, Youth & Pro-Life) Please refer to the Surge with Service Booklet for better Service Activity understanding. You will need to fill out a separate STSP form for each category.
- Small Council Award for Councils with 89 members or less.
- Large Council Award for Councils with 90 members or more.
- Family of the Year Award. Refer to Family of the Month Booklet for better understanding. (Use entry form from the Family of the Month Booklet Number1993)
- Knight of the Year Award.

Awards that are also given by the Arkansas State Council include:

- Council that made the largest Per-Capita donation to Persons with Mental Disabilities. (No entry form required)
- Council that made the largest donation to Persons with Mental Disabilities. (No entry form required)
- Council that made the largest donation to the "Just Ask" Fund Raising Campaign
- District Deputy of the Year. (No entry form required)

### Basis for judging and criteria:

Remember, these awards are based upon <u>ONE</u> project or activity conducted by the Council in the 12-month period between the state conventions, and not upon a series or accumulation of activities in a particular section of the Service Program. (Consider the following areas when judging a project or activity)

- 1 Nature of the Activity. Does it demonstrate the objectives of the Service Program Catholic, family, fraternal, service?
- 2 Participation of Membership. How many members participated? What percentage of the entire membership participated?

- 3 Results. What were the benefits derived from sponsorship of the project? How did the results affect the Church, community, council, family, youth or Pro-Life?
- 4 Program Originality. Was the project something new?
- 5 Committee Planning. How effective was the program organized? How much detail was involved in staging the event?
- 6 Delegation of Responsibility. How many members served as workers? Planners? What type of organization was established for the implementation of the project?
- 7 Publicity. How effectively was the program publicized throughout the area radio and television, local and diocesan newspapers, and council newsletters?

Please take the time to look in your Surge with Service Booklet for service ideas in each of the six categories and use your Council Report Forms Booklet for the STSP form to make copies. Remember that you will need a separate STSP form for each of the six Service Activity categories. You will also find instructions on the State Website. State Awards will be presented at the Arkansas State Convention Banquet. Winners of each of the Service Awards and Family of the Year will be entered in the Knights of Columbus International Competition. While you are in your Report Forms Booklet, please remember to fill out your SP-7 form for your Columbian Award. That form must be submitted to Supreme by June 30, 2012.

Vivat Jesus

Philip Savage AR State Program Director 526 Charmont Drive Charleston, AR 72933 (H) 479- 965-7808 / (C) 479-965-3561 Email: <u>phillip105@centurytel.net</u>

# OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FRAMED IMAGE TOUR Adrian Dominguez

Cardinal James Francis Stafford, Major Apostolic Penitentiary Emeritus, and archbishop of Denver emeritus, was the principal celebrant at Votive Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Wednesday, August 3rd, at the Supreme Convention in Denver, Colorado. Knights of Columbus state deputies stood before the altar at the end of the Mass holding their jurisdiction's framed image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, as Msgr. Eduardo Chavez explained the new Marian Prayer Program in which the images would be hosted by local councils worldwide during prayer services. The Guadalupe images were blessed by Pope Benedict XVI and touched



to the tilma of Juan Diego which bears the miraculous image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. In addition, the frames of the images were sealed with soil from Tepeyac hill in Mexico, where Our Lady's appearances took place. The new Knights of Columbus Marian Prayer Program will take place throughout the Order and lead into the second international Guadalupe Festival to be held at the Los Angeles Coliseum the weekend before the 2012 Supreme Convention. You may see pictures and receive more information on our Orders Web Page: www.kofc.org.

Supreme has blessed our state with two Our Lady of Guadalupe images and prayer books. Our jurisdiction has been separated by districts into two, East and West. The East District's (ED) consist of District's 03, 01, 13, 11, 07, 02 and 05. The West District (WD) consists of District's 10, 04, 08, 14, 09, 12 and 06. Our Lady of Guadalupe image will pilgrim through each district for at least one month starting with District 03 in the ED and District 10 in the WD. Each case containing the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe has a LOG BOOK in the side cover of the casing. This log must be filled out each time you have a prayer service/rosary and/or any gathering honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe. Please ensure the log book is kept with each image. We must return both set's at the end of the pilgrimage.

The District Deputy's will be responsible for ensuring the Our Lady of Guadalupe image pilgrims through their district. The District Deputy's coordinate with each Grand Knight the dates their council will have the image in their parish. Each Grand Knight will need to coordinate with their parish pastor's to ensure the image is displayed, at least one prayer service with the accompanied prayer books is made at each parish, one Rosary is said by the Knights and it is kept safe. Again, please ensure the log book is filled out for each event. The host council will then contact the next visiting council for date and time of delivery of Our Lady of Guadalupe image, prayer books, and log book. Please follow up with each Grand Knight receiving the Our Lady of Guadalupe image to ensure they are on schedule. Once the last council in your district is concluding their time with Our Lady of Guadalupe image, the DD will be responsible for contacting the next District Deputy to coordinate hand off.

The following is the schedule of the two pilgrimages:

Month	ED	WD
March	05	06

I will be following up with each District Deputy at the beginning and end of each month to ensure we are on schedule. Our mission is to have both Our Lady of Guadalupe image's at our State Convention in April, at which a prayer service will be held on Sunday morning.

Please ensure all the prayer books are placed back into the traveling case with each Our Lady of Guadalupe image for the use of the following council. There are prayer cards which may be given to those who attend a prayer service, although limited. One of the follow up questions during my call will be the quantity of prayer cards left. I pray we can receive more from Supreme. We will see.

May Our Lady of Guadalupe keep you safe and watch over our pilgrimage of her image throughout our Arkansas Jurisdiction.

#### VIVAT JESÚ

God Bless, Adrian Dominguez Knights of Columbus - AR Arkansas State Council Treasurer Our Lady of Guadalupe Chairperson

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2012 STATE CONVENTION LINK DUDLEY WELLS

Dear Brother Knights:

Please find information regarding the 104th Annual Knights of Columbus Arkansas State Convention to be held in Northwest Arkansas on April 27th – April 29th, 2012. Districts 06 and 12 are working hard to put on a convention that you will enjoy.



On Line Registration and information: <u>http://www.nwakofc.org/2012-Convention.html</u>

- Our host hotel and room booking
- Golf registration
- Charity Golf Tournament Sponsorship Packet
- Friday night activities
- Saturday Ladies outing
- Youth activities outing
- Parental release form

Early registration and payment of \$85.00 should be made by March 31, 2012. Late registration fee will be \$95.00 per delegate, spouse, and guest after April 21st, 2012.

There will be a rosary followed by a mass for our deceased members Saturday morning, a mass celebrated by Bishop Anthony Taylor on Saturday at 5:00 PM, and an Our Lady of Guadalupe Service on Sunday morning, all held at the hotel. Our 4th degree attendees – please bring your regalia if you would like to be part of the honor guards for the Bishop's mass, banquet festivities, and Our Lady of Guadalupe Service.

Grand Knights are requested to ensure each member Knight of their council is forwarded this communication, so those Knight's and families wishing to attend the convention, are informed of our upcoming convention.

# 104<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> – 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2012 Adrian Dominguez

#### **THURSDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2012**

Registration State Officer's Meeting State Officer's Dinner

### FRIDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2012

Registration Golf Tournament Hospitality Suites Committee Meetings 9 Naturals Game Live Music

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2012

Registration Rosary for the Deceased Brother Knights Mass of Deceased Brother Knights Breakfast Business Meeting Ladies Activities Youth Activities Mass – Bishop Anthony Taylor Reception Awards Banquet Dinner Dance

### SUNDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2012

Our Lady of Guadalupe Service Breakfast Business Meeting

# CANDIDATE RESOLUTIONS FOR FRATERNAL YEAR 2012-2013 Mike Kieffer

Knights of Columbus Council 11604 Jacksonville, Arkansas

#### **RESOLUTION:**

WHEREAS; Council 11604 of the Knights of Columbus wishes to have one of its own elected to the position of State Deputy, and

WHEREAS; Michael Kieffer has served his council as Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, and numerous other officer and director positions. Michael has served as Faithful Navigator of Bishop Edward Fitzgerald Assembly, and

WHEREAS; Michael serves his parish as an Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist, and

WHEREAS; Michael is a 20 year veteran of the U. S. Air Force and is currently a Court Security Officer at the Federal Court House in Little Rock, and

WHEREAS; Michael serves his community as an active member of VFW and American Legion, as a director of Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club and member of Knights on Bikes, and

WHEREAS; Michael and his wife Louise were State Family of the year for 2005-2006, and

WHEREAS; Michael has served as State Family Director, State Warden, State Advocate, State Treasurer and is currently serving as State Secretary,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the name of Brother Michael Kieffer be entered into the running for State Deputy.

William McCullough Grand Knight Jacksonville Council 11604

Knights of Columbus Council 00996 Fort Smith, Arkansas WHEREAS: Council 00996 of the Knights of Columbus desires to have one of its own elected to the position of State Treasurer;

WHEREAS: Brother Michael Heathcott served as State Advocate for 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 Fraternal years;

WHEREAS: Brother Michael Heathcott served as District Deputy of District 09 during 2009-2010 Fraternal year;

WHEREAS: Brother Michael Heathcott served as Navigator of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick J. Horan 4th Degree Assembly for 2 years;

WHEREAS: Brother Michael Heathcott has served as Purser for the Msgr. Patrick J. Horan Assembly for the last three years;

WHEREAS: Brother Michael Heathcott is a Eucharistic minister to the sick at St. Edwards Mercy Hospital;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the name of Brother Michael Heathcott be entered into the running for the position of State Treasurer for the 2012-2013 year.

Robert Collins Grand Knight Council 00996 Fort Smith, AR

Knights of Columbus Council 14609 Rogers, AR

#### **RESOLUTION:**

WHEREAS: Council 00996 of the Knights of Columbus desires to have one of its own elected to the position of State Secretary, and

WHEREAS: Brother Adrian Dominguez was instrumental in the formation of Council 14609, has served his council as a Charter Member serving as Financial Secretary for four years, and

WHEREAS: Brother Adrian Dominguez has served his Parish as Sacristan for the Spanish evening mass which was instrumental in establishing, served as Co-Chairperson for the Stewardship Committee, served on the Word and Liturgy Commission, served as President of the Hispanic Commission and served on the Parish Council at Saint Vincent de Paul Parish in Rogers, AR, and

WHEREAS: Brother Adrian Dominguez has served the Arkansas State Council as District Deputy, District 06 and was awarded the District Deputy of the Year by Supreme, and

WHEREAS: Brother Adrian Dominguez is serving on the Arkansas State Council as State Treasurer, and

WHEREAS: Brother Adrian Dominguez was actively involved in the formation of a Hispanic Round Table in Fort Smith and Springdale, and

WHEREAS: Brother Adrian Dominguez was on the board of the Rogers/Lowell Chamber of Commerce, is actively on the Board of the League of United Latin American Citizens, and is actively mentoring young adults in furthering their higher education, and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the name of Brother Michael Heathcott be entered into the running for the position of State Secretary

Raul Castilla Grand Knight Council 14609 Rogers, AR

Knights of Columbus Council 13829 Siloam Springs, Arkansas

WHEREAS: Council 13829 of the Knights of Columbus desires to have one of its own elected to the position of State Treasurer;

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin served as State Warden for the past 2 years and,

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin served his council as a Charter Member, Deputy Grand Knight and,

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin served as Confirmation Instructor at St. Mary's Church in Siloam Springs and,

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin is a Parish Council Member at St. Mary's Church and,

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin served as State Family Director for two years and,

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin is a member of the First Degree Team implemented at St. Mary's Church and,

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin has served as Chairman for Special Olympics in El Paso, TX at St. Rafael's Council 07563 and,

WHEREAS: Brother Francisco Olguin is currently serving as First Response Coordinator for Disaster Response Team for St. Mary's Church

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the name of Brother Francisco Olguin be entered into the running for the position of State Advocate.

Joe Somerville Grand Knight Divine Mercy Council 13829 Siloam Springs, AR

Don Wise Deputy Grand Knight Divine Mercy Council 13829 Siloam Springs, AR

Father Arthur B. Chiasson Knights of Columbus Council Number10908 St Vincent, Arkansas

Resolution:

Whereas; Council 10908 of the Knights of Columbus wished to have one of its own elected to the position of State Warden, and

Whereas; Alan Halman has demonstrated his worthiness for this office by serving his parish, his community, and the Knights of Columbus through various positions; and

Whereas; Alan Halman has served his parish as CYM sponsor for ten years; has served as president of the Parish Council; currently served on the Finance Council for the parish; has served as chairman of the parish bazaar; has served as a lector, Eucharistic Minister, and teacher for CCD classes for the parish; and

Whereas; Alan Halman has served on the school board for the Wonderview School District for 9 ½ years; served as President, Vice-president, and secretary of the school board during that time; served as Pee Wee Basketball coach, served as the high school baseball coach; and was a member of the Wonderview P.T. O.; and

Whereas; Alan Halman has served on the local volunteer fire department for 22 years, including time as the assistant chief; served as a trained first responder; served on the Nuclear Board for the Russellville Disaster Response Team; was instrumental in getting the CERT program started for our community; has coached AAU Basketball teams for ten years, including finishing 9<sup>th</sup> in the nation during one of those years; and

Whereas; Alan Halman has served the Knights of Columbus by serving as Council Youth Director; Has served as membership director; has served as Deputy Grand Knight and Grand Knight; has served as District Deputy for District 08; is in the progress of starting a Round Table for the Russellville council; and

Therefore Be It Resolved; that the name of Alan Halman be placed in the running for State Warden.

**Original Signed** 

Theodore M. Beck, Grand Knight Council 10908

# APRIL 27 – 29, 2012 PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARKANSAS STATE COUNCIL 104TH STATE CONVENTION ROGERS, ARKANSAS

Resolution Number1

3/5/2012 1:17 AM

Whereas: "The Arkansas Catholic: is the official publication of our Most Reverend Bishop and the Catholic Diocese of Little Rock

Whereas: The Arkansas Knights are in full support of the "Arkansas Catholic".

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council of the Knights of Columbus gives to the "Arkansas Catholic" an amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) from the Special Fund.

Submitted by Council 00812

#### Resolution Number2a

Whereas: The State Chaplain is an important Spiritual Leader of the State Council,

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the State Chaplain be given a One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) stipend, from the Special Fund, at the State Convention.

#### Submitted by Council 00812

Resolution Number 2b

Whereas: The State Chaplain is an important Spiritual Leader of the State Council,

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the State Chaplain be given a Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) stipend, from the Special Fund, at the State Convention.

#### Submitted by State Officers

#### **Resolution Number 3**

Whereas: There is a special need for our Most Reverend Bishop to attend the Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That when our Most Reverend Bishop attends said convention he will be reimbursed his travel expense to and from the Supreme Convention from the Special Fund. This resolution will also apply to Most Rev. Andrew J. McDonald, Bishop Emeritus.

#### Submitted by Council 00812

#### Resolution Number 4

Whereas: There is a need for our State Chaplain to attend the Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That if the State Chaplain attends said convention, as a nondelegate, he will be reimbursed for his expenses from the Special Fund, an amount not to exceed Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00).

Submitted by Council 00812

#### **Resolution Number 5**

Whereas: The State Deputy often has requests for funds from deserving charities.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) be available from the Special Fund to the State Deputy for contributions to deserving charities. No more than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) may be distributed to any one such charity during the Fraternal Year.

#### Submitted by Council 00812

Resolution Number 6

Whereas: The Supreme Council has established a matching interest fund program, known as, "Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc." (Christopher Fund) whereby contributions from the Arkansas State Council will be matched by the Supreme Council on a dollar-for-dollar basis, to a maximum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) per member in Arkansas, and

Whereas: It is deemed beneficial to the Arkansas State Council to avail itself of such a matching fund program and thereby enter into a co-operative arrangement with the Supreme Council whereby church related charities of the Arkansas State Council will receive greater benefits, and

Therefore Be It Resolved: To continue in the Supreme Council's Matching Interest Fund Program that was adopted by resolution Number 134 at the 1992 Supreme Convention.

Further Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council shall contribute enough monies from our Charity Drive to maintain a minimum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) per member in the Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. (Christopher Fund). Said monies are to be contributed as soon as practical after the conclusion of the fund raising event, it being understood that the interest earnings will be credited in the fund as of June 30<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Further Resolved: That the recipients of our earning from the fund shall be as follows: Subiaco Coury House; Catholic Youth Ministry, Diocese of Little Rock; Respect Life, Diocese of Little Rock; Religious Education Ministry, Diocese of Little Rock; Catholic Campus Ministries, Diocese of Little Rock; Carmelite Monastery and the Monastery of Marylake in Little Rock. All seven (7) organizations shall share equally in the fund. The proceeds are payable to these charities, as soon as the funds are available, and distributed by the State Deputy in an appropriate presentation.

Further Resolved: AR Christopher Fund Committee shall consist of the State Deputy,

Immediate Past State Deputy, State Secretary, State Treasurer and two (2) at-large members to perform all acts necessary in administering this fund.

Submitted by Council 00812

Resolution Number 7

The Arkansas Knights of Columbus hereby express our support for the Minister for Religious Fund;

Whereas: Minister for Religious Fund was formerly known as Diocesan Council of Women Religious;

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council will support the work of the Minister for Religious Fund with a donation of Fifteen hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) from the Special Fund.

Submitted by Council 00812 and State Officers

(Organization name change) Resolution Number 8 Whereas: The Arkansas Fraternal Congress is a vital part of the Fraternal Activities of the Knights of Columbus and

Whereas: They provide an important function of overseeing proposed legislation on the state and national level.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the State Council continues its membership on the Local Level by paying the annual dues, not to exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), and that the State Deputy appoints an Insurance Representative as the official Knights of Columbus representative to said congress.

Resolution submitted by Council 00812

Resolution Number 9

Whereas: The Arkansas State Knights whole heartily support the work of the Vocation Ministry, Diocese of Little Rock.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council will support the Vocations Ministry with a donation of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) from our Special Fund.

#### **Resolution Number 10**

Be It Resolved: That each subordinate council is encouraged to establish a "Pennies From Heaven Fund" for the benefit of members and others in their local areas, who suffer losses as a result of a disaster, disabling sickness/injury or similar misfortune. Fifty percent (50%) of the annual collection by the councils is to be turned into the "State Pennies From Heaven Fund", in April prior to the State Convention. Expenditures from the State Fund are to be requested by the Grand Knights in writing through the "Pennies From Heaven" Chairman. Mandatory contribution by the council is not required, but is recommended. Final distribution is at the discretion of the State "Pennies From Heaven" Chairman and the State Deputy. Contributions are to be up to a maximum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) per individual/family per occurrence.

#### Resolution submitted by Council 00812

Resolution: Number 11A

Whereas: The State Council of the Knights of Columbus needs to carry out the work of the Knights of Columbus in Arkansas.

Whereas: The rate of Per Capita Taxes has not been raised in more than ten (10) years.

Whereas: The State Council will now have to cover the cost of Liability Insurance to cover all members and all subordinate councils in the state.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That each subordinate council shall be assessed a Per Capita Tax of Ten Dollars (\$10) per active member less their Honorary Life and Disabled Members as of record of January 1 of that year. With the exception of College Councils that will be assessed at 50% of this rate. Said Tax will be due and payable at or before the annual State Convention.

#### Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number 11B

Whereas: The State Council of the Knights of Columbus needs to carry out the work of the Knights of Columbus in Arkansas;

Therefore be it resolved: That each subordinate council shall be assessed a Per Capita Tax of Six Dollars (\$6.00) per active member and inactive member less their Honorary Life and Disabled Members as of record of January 1<sup>st</sup> of that year. With the exception that College Councils will be assessed at 50% of this rate. Said tax will be due and payable at or before the Annual State Convention.

#### Submitted by Council 00812

#### Resolution Number 12:

Whereas: The Diocese of Little Rock is striving to keep the Catholic Community in Arkansas advised of Catholic activities and news in Arkansas on a timely basis by a series of Radio and Press announcements, Diocese website www.dolr.org, either directly by the Diocese Office or through other Catholic organizations.

Whereas: The Arkansas Knights of Columbus State Council enjoys a remarkable relationship with the Bishop and the Diocese office staff.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council donates Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000) from the Special Fund to express its support of the radio, press, and website ministry work by the Diocese to keep the Arkansas public informed of Catholic activities and news.

#### Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number 13

Whereas: The Knights of Columbus retreats held at Subiaco are very important State Council sponsored events, weekends of prayer, reflection and renewed spiritual life, and;

Whereas: The administration of the Coury House facilities by the Brothers is a main reason that our retreats are so well attended by Arkansas Knights and their spouses.

Therefore be it Resolved: That in order to allow administration to continue at the high level necessary for a proper retreat, a donation of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) be made from the Special Fund to the Coury House to be presented to the Coury House Director at the first Retreat of the fraternal year.

#### Submitted by Council 07258

Resolution Number 14

Whereas: The Knights of Columbus conducts two (2) retreats during the fraternal year at Subiaco, and they are a very important State Council sponsored event, weekends of prayer, reflection, and renewed spiritual life, and

Whereas: Due to the shortage of Priests in the Diocese of Little Rock, it is becoming difficult to secure a Retreat Director due to their added expense of finding a substitute Priest to attend their Parish duties;

Therefore be it resolved: That in order to allow Diocesan Priests to serve as a Retreat Director without suffering a financial loss, a donation of Three Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$350.00) be made for each retreat weekend from the Special Fund and presented the Retreat Director at each retreat.

#### Submitted by Council 07258

Resolution Number 15

Whereas: The Arkansas Knights of Columbus whole heartily support the work of the Catholic Diocese of Little Rock, and

Whereas: Funds derived from the Bishop McDonald Charity Golf Classic held in prior years helped support Catholic Charities such as the Catholic Adoption Services, Project Rachel Post Abortion Ministry, and

Whereas: The Arkansas Knights of Columbus itself can derive great benefits from working with the Bishop in public view

Therefore be it Resolved: The Arkansas State Council support and co-sponsor the Bishop McDonald Charity Golf Classic with a donation of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) from the Special Fund and also with the support from the State and Local Councils.

#### Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number 16

Be it Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council continue to make visible presence at the Supreme Convention by providing activities for those attending the convention.

Therefore be it Resolved: That a fund not to exceed Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) be made available from the Special Fund for the State Deputy to provide (at his discretion) activities for the Arkansas delegation at the Supreme Convention

#### **Resolution Number 17**

Whereas: The members of the Knights of Columbus in Arkansas need to be kept aware of all the expenditures from the State Council Funds on a timely basis.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the State Deputy cause to have distributed a report of expenditures from the State General, Special, Tootsie Roll and Pennies from Heaven Funds, twice a year as compared to the amounts budgeted for each of these periods. The first report of the Fraternal Year will be distributed no later than the mid-year meeting and the second report no later than the organizational meeting. These reports are to be distributed to those in attendance at the meeting and a copy transmitted to each Grand Knight, for those without email address a hard copy will be furnished.

#### Resolution submitted by Council 00812

Resolution Number 18 Whereas: The State Council, through its members, has voted to have a State Budget.

Whereas: The budget should reflect the expected income and proposed expenditures for the next Fraternal Year.

Whereas: That the passage of the budget report by the Convention Delegates shall constitute adoption of the budget, appropriation and sums budgeted, and assessments of the Per Capita Tax indicated.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the State Deputy appoints a committee, consisting of the Immediate Past State Deputy, State Secretary (Chairman), State Treasurer, State Advocate, State Warden, and two (2) members at large to prepare said budget for presentation at the annual State Convention.

Resolution submitted by Council 00812

**Resolution Number 19** 

Whereas: Those members of our order who have held the office of State Deputy possess experience and valuable knowledge in the operation of the State Council and

Whereas: Such experience and knowledge is useful to the officers of the State Council.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That a Past State Deputies Committee shall consist of members who have held the Office of State Deputy within the jurisdiction of Arkansas. Said Past State Deputies must be in good standing and shall serve so long as they retain their eligibility. The Immediate Past State Deputy shall be Chairman of said committee. The Committee shall serve as advisors to the State Officers. Specific duties assigned to the committee shall be.

- Review all resolutions and motions to be submitted to the State Council dealing with assessments or the expenditures or deposition of money or assets of the State Council. The recommendation of the Past State Deputies Committee shall be made known to the Resolution Committee and the membership before voting.
- 2. The Committee shall be authorized to perform any other duties as assigned by the State Deputy.

#### Resolution submitted by Council 00812

Resolution Number 20

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

Whereas: The Local Councils should hold an annual Fund Raising Activities for the Mentally Challenged Citizens no later than the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) 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<sup>st</sup> 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.

#### Resolution submitted by Council 00812

#### Resolution Number 21

Be It Resolved: That the Arkansas Knights hereby express deep and sincere thanks and appreciation to our Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, Supreme Officers and Supreme Board of Directors for their "Outstanding Leadership" in the Knights of Columbus and hereby pledge

our loyalty and support. (This resolution is to be submitted to the 2012 Supreme Convention in Anaheim, CA.)

Submitted by Council 00812

Resolution Number 22

Whereas: The Columbian Squires are the future of our order, it is incumbent on all active Councils in the Arkansas State Council to support, promote, and provide financial support for the growth, well being, and transition into Knighthood of these fine young men.

Therefore be it Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council encourage each Council to contribute towards the Columbian Squires program and that they be notified in conjunction with the mailing of Per Capita Tax statements by the State Secretary, and

It Being Further Resolved: That this money be placed in an account to be dispersed to the Squires Director as needed.

Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number23

Whereas: Thousands of brave servicemen and servicewomen are presently stationed in extraordinarily dangerous regions throughout the world in an attempt to combat terrorism and restore peace, and

Whereas: the families of those servicemen and servicewomen anxiously await the safe return of their loved ones, and

Whereas: Heroically, some men and women have given their lives and many others, their health so that millions of others could experience the freedom of a self-governing democracy, and

Whereas: All brother Knights and their families are enormously proud of and eternally grateful to those who are courageously serving and those who have valiantly served, and

Whereas: One of the guiding principles of the Order is Patriotism.

Therefore be it Resolved: That the delegates of the Arkansas Knights of Columbus assembled in the city of Rogers for the celebration of the 104<sup>th</sup> State Convention do hereby reaffirm their

unequivocal support for the men and women in our armed forces and prays for their safe return, and

Be it Further Resolved: That we offer our heartfelt prayers and support to the families of those soldiers currently stationed in Afghanistan and other areas of military combat around the world, and;

Be it Further Resolved: That we now pause in our deliberations to remember those men and women who have selflessly sacrificed their own lives and those who have suffered serious injury defending our countries and way of life.

Be it Further Resolved: That this resolution be submitted to the Supreme Council for consideration and remembrance of our troops at the Supreme Convention in 2012

Resolution Number 24

Be It Resolved: That the Arkansas Knights hereby express deep and sincere thanks and appreciation to our Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, Supreme Officers and Supreme Board of Directors for their "Outstanding Leadership" in the Knights of Columbus and hereby pledge our loyalty and support. (This resolution is to be submitted to the 2012 Supreme Convention.).

Resolution Number 25

Whereas: The Bishops of the Universal Church have in Ecumenical Council termed Abortion an "Unspeakable Crime", and

Whereas: The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock affirms the respect of the lives of the Most Vulnerable, including the Unborn, by participating in the annual March for Life, holding an all night vigil at the Cathedral and having a pre-march mass at a large auditorium.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the State Deputy be authorized to grant up to the amount donated from the Special Fund to the Diocese of Little Rock in support for March For Life expenses.

Be It Further Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council encourages each local council to also contribute toward the Diocesan March for Life expenses and that they are notified in conjunction with the mailing of Per Capita Tax Statements by the State Secretary.

Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number 26

Whereas: Automobile fuel cost is constantly increasing, and

Whereas: The travel reimbursement cost per mile at the Supreme Council has increased.

Therefore be it Resolved: That the travel expense be reimbursed to attendees authorized by the State Deputy to attend State Council meetings at the rate specified for District Deputies by the Supreme Council from the General Fund, and

Be it Further Resolved: That each member driver from each council attending the State Council Workshops is reimbursed at that rate.

#### Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number 27

Whereas: the Knights of Columbus is not an IRS(C)(3) charitable or religious organization under the control of the Catholic Church, but is a 501(C)(8) fraternal organization under the control of the Supreme Council; and

Whereas: the Knights of Columbus in ineligible for listing in the official Catholic Directory, the Knights of Columbus aare ineligible to participate in any insurance program issued by the Catholic Church; and

Whereas: the Supreme Council required individual councils that have their own hall, not associated with any other organization, to have a separate corporation to own any property, facility, or fixture and encourages said corporations to purchase liability insurance; and

Whereas: council events held in a Catholic Church building are not covered by Catholic Diocesan liability insurance, the possibility is always present at such events that an injury or harm may occur to a member or a guest causing the injured person(s) to sue the council for medical reimbursement and other damages; and

Whereas: the Supreme Council has endorsed a liability insurance program with an insurance company to insure not only councils but also accompanying assemblies, round tables and squire circles using Catholic Church property for meetings and other events on or off church property;

Therefore: be it resolved that each Arkansas Council partake of the liability insurance, endorsed by the Supreme Council,

#### and offered by the Arkansas State Council;

#### Submitted by Council 07353

Resolution Number 28

Whereas: The Hispanic Community is the fastest growing Catholic Ethnic Group in Arkansas; and

Whereas: the Arkansas Knights of Columbus supports the development of the Hispanic Community;

Therefore: be it resolved that the Arkansas State Council donate One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) from the Special Funds to the Hispanic Encounter Event.

Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number 29

Whereas: The Knights of Columbus was formed by Father Michael J. McGivney to care for the widows of its deceased members; and

Whereas: The widows of Past State Deputies are held in a position of special request in the Arkansas State Council; and

Whereas: The Arkansas State Council wishes to extend its fellowship to them in a distinctive manner.

Therefore be it Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council will pay the State Convention Registration Fee from the Special Fund for a Past State Deputy's widow who attends the State Convention.

#### Submitted by State Officers

Resolution Number 30

Whereas: The Arkansas State Council provides an Olympic Town for the State Special Olympic Games and we have established an enjoyable charitable relationship with the mental and/or physically challenged in our state and have many Knights of Columbus volunteers who actively support the Arkansas Annual Special Olympic Games; and

Whereas: The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council has formed a partnership with Special Olympics North America focused on local program development and future growth of both organizations with the primary focus being at the state levels; and

Whereas: The partnership includes a commitment to link Special Olympic programs with Knights of Columbus State Councils in providing volunteer support and funding at the local levels. The annual Supreme Council commitment will be distributed to State Special Olympic organizations based on total Knight volunteers hours served, number of Knights in key volunteer roles, number of events in which the Knights of Columbus volunteered and total funds contributed by Knights of Columbus all in support of Special Olympics.

Therefore be it Resolved: That the Arkansas State Council request each local council form a Special Olympics committee to develop a council program to support Special Olympics locally and at the area and State Games and to hold fund raising events for the benefit of Special Olympics, since the amount of aid Special Olympics Arkansas receives from the Supreme Council partnership will be based on Arkansas Knights participation financially and physically; and

Being further resolved: That the State Council requests that each local council to also contribute Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) towards this program and that they are notified in conjunction with the mailing of the per capita tax by the State Secretary

#### Submitted by State Officers

#### Resolution Number 31

Whereas: The State Secretary has the responsibility to prepare a directory. He shall prepare a Hard Copy directory with the addresses, phone numbers, and e-mail addresses of the following: Supreme Officers, State Officers, Past State Deputies, District Deputies, State Program Directors/Chairmen, Council Chaplains, Grand Knights, Financial secretaries, Program Directors, Supreme master, Vice Supreme Master, Master, Former Masters, Faithful Friars, Faithful Navigators, Faithful Comptrollers, Columbian Squires Chief Counselor, Squire, Father Prior and Insurance Representatives. It shall be the obligation of the Financial Secretary and Faithful Comptroller to submit the needed information to the State Secretary.

Therefore be it Resolved: If the Council Grand Knight or Assembly Faithful Navigator has an email address a copy will be transmitted and if an email address is not available the State Secretary will provide two hard copies to that Council or Assembly.

Be it Further Resolved: That the Immediate Past State Deputy will provide a list of the Past State Deputies requiring a hard copy.

Be it Further Resolved: If any of the others mentioned above do not have an email they will also receive a hard copy.

Submitted by State Officers



# **April 2012 Newsletter Deadline**

Please try to send your newsletter reports, articles, messages and photos to John Hollender, Newsletter Editor, by Friday, March 23, 2011, for the April 2012 Newsletter. Please e-mail your report, article, message, or photos to johnh911@conwaycorp.net.

# **Reports Due**

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

# **Correspondence:**

#### State Knights of Columbus Business:

Charles Ketter, State Deputy 2201 Highway 22 West Charleston, AR 72933 Home: 479-965-7855 Cell: 479-965-5150 Email: cketter@centurytel.net

#### **Newsletter only:**

John Hollender, Newsletter Editor P O Box 2156 Conway, AR 72033-2156 501-327-8734 E-mail: johnh911@conwaycorp.net