

# Knights of Columbus Arkansas State Council



June 2012

# I AM MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

#### STATE CHAPLAIN

ABBOT JEROME KODELL, OSB
KC NEWSLETTER
JUNE, 2012

The completion of my term as State Chaplain gives me the opportunity to express gratitude to all for your kindness to me during this time. It has definitely been an honor to work in a closer way with such a dedicated and faith-filled group of Knights and Ladies. I will, of course, continue to be involved as a Knight in the activities of the association.



For a last message in the newsletter, I feel I can't do better than to repeat the words of the Letter to the Hebrews in its instructions for the spiritual journey: "Keep your eyes fixed on Jesus" (12). We are challenged on all sides by values and principles which threaten our exercise of the Catholic faith and make it more and more difficult to hand on the authentic tradition to our children. We have been fighting the battles of protecting the sacredness of human life in the unborn, the handicapped, the elderly, and the immigrant. We have been fighting for justice and truth in government, in the media, in the economy. Most lately we are resisting attempts to limit our religious liberty.

In all of this, sometimes it seems hopeless. Just when a battle is won, another threat shows up. But we know that God has been with his people all these centuries, and the truth of faith continues to make its way in spite of the darkness. Human effort alone hasn't done it and won't do it. It is the work of the Lord, but he depends on us to be his hands. As men and women of faith, we must keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, coming into the presence of God every

day and presenting ourselves as his instruments, or as Mother Teresa described herself, "a pencil in the hand of God."

The ancient monks in the desert compared the spiritual life to the dogs and the rabbit, the Rabbit being Christ. When a dog spots a rabbit, it yelps and raises a loud cry and sets out on the chase. The dogs in the neighborhood haven't seen the rabbit, but they know what the barks mean, and they fall in behind the lead dog in the excitement of the chase. But the rabbit leads the pack through briars and brambles and rocky terrain, and as they get hot and tired and scratched, one by one the dogs begin to drop off and go back home. Only the dog that has seen the rabbit will keep running. This is the way it is with the spiritual journey, said the monks. Only those who keep their eyes fixed on Jesus will keep running.

#### STATE DEPUTY

# CHARLES KETTER ARKANSAS KNIGHTS JUNE NEWSLETTER

This will be my final report as State Deputy. It has been a great experience and a life changer for me. I would like to thank everyone for there support and prayers. I now know what a special group of men we have in the Knights of Columbus in Arkansas. Your love for the



church and your fellow man is amazing. I ask that you give the same support and prayers for State Deputy-Elect Mike Kieffer as you gave me.

We have a couple of tasks to do before I retire. First I ask that every council check out the time the film For Greater Glory is shown in your area and encourage everyone to see it in both the council and your local church. This film tells the story of the struggle for religious freedom in Mexico and how the Knights and other Catholics were martyred for their faith. I join our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson in urging every Knight to participate in the upcoming "Fortnight of Freedom" from June 21-July 4. Learn the issues

before us and why it is so important to be aware that our Religious Freedom is being challenged here in the United States. Please see the prayer on page 3 of the most recent Columbia Magazine copy it and pray it daily.

Finally I have challenged Oklahoma State Deputy that we would recruit more men than they can so read this carefully. I your Arkansas State Deputy will give the council that recruits the 400<sup>th</sup> member this year will receive out of my pocket \$100 and the Knight that recruited the 400<sup>th</sup> member will also receive \$100. This will be according to the records from supreme. All

first degrees held in the State will be in honor Bishop Taylor whose Anniversary is this month. I would like to thank Bishop Taylor for all his prayers and support. May God Bless and keep you.

#### Vivat Jesu

Charles Ketter State Deputy

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

JIMMY McKinnon, PSD Membership Director
June 2012

We have one month to go for a successful year, and we need to continue the Membership promotions for each Council. Thanks to the Councils for the promotion of Membership this past year.

<u>Membership</u> growth in each <u>Council</u> is very important to the Arkansas State Council. We want to continue the positive aspects of recruitment and work on recruitment of new members into



the Knights of Columbus for the year and years to come. Let's continue our growth and the excitement for **Membership** recruitment by each Council. We need each Knights of Columbus Council in the State to continue recruiting new members in the KC's and hold first degrees. A lot of you have told me that first degrees are continuing in June. There are a lot of men that have not been asked and we need to keep the ones we have.

Our **goal** for **Arkansas** this fraternal year is **400 new knights**. We need 120 new knights to join before June 30, 2012. With each Council recruiting one knight, per council, per month or more, we can achieve our goal this year. We ask everyone to help achieve our goal.

<u>Our theme this year is - one knight, per month, per council.</u> We have had a number of Councils achieve Star Council and attain their membership goals and we look forward to other Councils and Districts to achieve their goal for this year.

#### **LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN!!**

This will be my last letter to all members of the Knights as Membership Chairman. I would like to thank Charles Ketter, State Deputy for his help and leadership for the past two years. I want to thank the District Deputies and all the Councils in their recruitment of new knights into the order for the past two years. I enjoyed working with everyone and wish I could have done more. God Bless.

Jimmy McKinnon, PSD State Membership Chairman

# 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION BELLA VISTA

HONORING: JAMES F. NECESSARY
SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2012
HOST: POPE JOHN PAUL I ASSEMBLY 0024
ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX
BELLA VISTA



#### Men's Schedule

Registration & Light Lunch	12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM
Men's Break	1:00 PM to 1:15 PM
Candidates line up & Preparation	1:15 PM to 1:30 PM
Exemplification	1:30 PM to 3:30 PM
Group Photo	3:30 PM to 4:00 PM
Break	4:00 to 5:00 PMPM
Mass	5:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Social	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM	
Dinner & Present Certificates	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	
Ladies Schedule		
Registration & Light Lunch	12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM	
Ladies Break/Activities	1:00 PM to 5:00 PM	
Mass	5:00 PM to 6:00 PM	
Social	6:00 PM to 7:00 PM	
Dinner & Present Certificates	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	

**CANDIDATE REGISTRATION FEE, INCLUDING DEACONS IS** \$70.00 (\$40.00 for clergy, to be paid by the Assembly) covers candidate's suspended type Social Baldric (Sash), 4<sup>th</sup> Degree pin, and one banquet ticket. **Certificates presented after dinner.** 

Additional banquet ticket(s) \$20.00 each - Adults only (18 years of age minimum).

#### **UNIFORM**

Candidates (including Deacons) to wear Complete Black Tuxedo with laydown collar (no wingtip collar allowed), white gloves are not required.

Military - Dress Uniform

Clergy - Regular Clerical Dress

4th Degree Members - Complete Black Tuxedo with laydown collar (required). Dark Suit with Tie is acceptable for Banquet.

Honor Guard - Regalia for Mass and Ceremony - Complete Black Tuxedo with laydown collar (no wing-tip collar allowed), white gloves are required.

Note: Anyone not in proper dress as indicated above will not be allowed into the ceremony chambers.

For Additional Information contact Max W. Nutt, District Master Home: 501-759-2399 – Cell: 501 514 5660 – E-mail: nuttfarm@perryco.net

Send all checks (Registration and/or Banquet) and waiver requests to Max W. Nutt, 173 Nutt Lane. Bigelow, AR 72016

#### **NOTE THESE DATES:**

#### 1. THE SIX MONTH WAIVER AVAILABLE IN 2012

To obtain a waiver the candidate must be a knight for at least six (6) months. For a waiver the Form 4 and check for \$70.00 must be in my hands by June 16th. Only when I have the Form 4 can I request the waiver (a copy must be sent for approval).

- 2. For other candidates Form 4 and check must be in my hands by June 16th, (To have name in Luncheon booklet).
- 3. Form 4s and checks for all candidates must be received by me no later than June 17th.
- 4. Registration for evening Banquet and the check for guest(s) attending must be in my hands or that of the Faithful Navigator by June 17th. (Ticket is \$20.00 per guest. Candidates are prepaid by registration.)

Wishing you the very best,

Max Nutt



July 2012 Newsletter Deadline
Please try to send your newsletter reports,
articles, messages and photos to John
Hollender, Newsletter Editor, by Friday, June
25, 2011, for the July 2012 Newsletter. Please
e-mail your report, article, message, or
photos to <a href="mailto:johnh911@conwaycorp.net">johnh911@conwaycorp.net</a>.

### **Reports Due**

FORMREPORT	
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	
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	31-Jan
4001SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST PARTICIPATION FORM	31-Jan
1295-2SEMIANNUAL COUNCIL AUDIT REPORT	15-Feb
SP-7COLUMBIAN AWARD APPLICATION	
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1728ASURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER WORKSHEET	AS NEEDED
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1831RELIEF FROM COUNCIL DUES AND PER CAPITA TAXES	
1993AFAMILY OF THE MONTH GENERIC REPORT FORM	
2935COLUMBIAN SQUIRES INQUIRY KIT ORDER FORM	AS NEEDED
4348YOUTH LEADER	AS NEEDED
4371FATHER PRIOR	
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EA-KitESSAY CONTEST KIT ORDER FORM	AS NEEDED
STSPSTATE COUNCIL SERVICE PROGRAM AWARDS ENTRY FORM	AS NEEDED

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