



# Arkansas State Council Newsletter

## Knights of Columbus

July 2007

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### STATE DEPUTY

STEVE BELL



While I was completing State Deputy training in New Haven, there are so many of my Fellow State Deputies were in awe of the surroundings. Our first meeting was in the meeting room of Supreme Headquarters. There were the paintings of all the Past Supreme Knights.

On Saturday morning we had breakfast in the basement of St. Mary's Church. The basement was the birthplace of the Knights of Columbus. All of the wives of the State Deputies were given a red rose to place on Father McGivney entombment.

Of course membership is a topic, but they had breakout sessions in Retention, Council Development and Hispanic Councils.

The Museum of the Knights of Columbus was a sight to behold. On Saturday night we had a dinner and a dance. Maria and I and our class had a great time. Carl and Dorian Anderson danced with us all.

I want to congratulate David Witt and the State Officers, District Deputies and the Grand Knights for Arkansas making the Ring of Honor. This is a tremendous feat and I know David put in long hours making phone calls and visiting councils during the month of June.

We owe congratulation for David and the fellow Knights of Arkansas.

Please email me at [skb100@suddenlink.net](mailto:skb100@suddenlink.net) or call me at 870-926-7009.

### RING OF HONOR

DAVID WITT

IMMEDIATE PAST STATE DEPUTY

Worthy Program Chairmen/Directors and Brother Knights:

Our Brother Knights joined in the celebration of our Order's 125th anniversary.



sary honoring our founder, F a t h e r McGivney, by attaining the Ring of Honor. Our final membership growth was 127% of our quota.

My personal thanks for your support in making this achievement a reality. Its like icing on the cake for me as your State Deputy and will a memory I will cherish. This was an Experience of a Lifetime.

Fraternally,  
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**IMMEDIATE PAST STATE DEPUTY**  
DAVID E. WITT



It is a time to look back at the proceeding year and appreciate our accomplishments. It is a time to feel invigorated and recharged about who we are and what

we stand for and what we do. 2006/2007 was a great year for our State Council. First we can all share in the pride that every council in the State completed all necessary reports. Second, our Fraternal Surveys indicated that our charitable contributions of time and money increased from the previous year. Third our support for Special Olympics reached an all time high.

Our Councils helped our Order celebrate its 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and honored our Founder, Father McGivney, by your overwhelming membership recruiting efforts. As of this writing it appears that our State Council has attained the Ring Of Honor. Each Brother Knight in our glorious State Council can feel a sense of accomplishment and pride for a job well done. To the Grand Knights and their membership directors the State Officers and I appreciate your continued interest and support.

Our State Council under the leadership of State Deputy, Steve Bell, State Secretary Dudley Wells, State Treasurer John Hertzog, State Advocate Mark Morgan and State Warden Mike Kieffer have laid out some exciting challenges for 2007/2008. Every Council, Assembly and Brother Knights must support your Officers to insure continued growth of our State Council.

Hopefully the retiring Grand Knights have met with the new Grand Knights and discussed their council transition of leadership. These topics should include, but not limited to, service programs,

membership, and any information the new Grand Knight should be made aware.

July the newly elected Grand Knight and returning one's must meet with his officers and share his vision and goals with them. The newly elected group should review the calendar of events for the year. Each officer should be made aware of his duties and responsibilities to the council. Open discussions and planning will help set a productive tone for this fraternal year.

Careful planning, open discussions, goal setting, setting action plans and establishing lines of communication, are essential to establishing a productive tone to get off on the "right foot" for the new fraternal year. Remember, "If it is to be it is up to me."

Contact your District Deputies for upcoming training sessions or to arrange a training seminar in your area. Your dedicated State Officers are only a phone call, or e-mail, away to help answer your concerns and assure your councils success.

Finally, I want to thank each and everyone for your continued interest and support during my tenure as State Deputy.

**HORSESHOE BEND GOLF  
TOURNAMNET**

**AUGUST 18, 2007**

Horseshoe Bend - Knights of Colum-

bus Council 10493 will host its 4<sup>th</sup> annual Chuck Dennis Memorial Golf Tournament at Turkey Mountain Golf Course in Horseshoe Bend, Arkansas.

There will be a maximum of 36 teams, four person men and/or women scramble, with \$160.00 fee per team. Proceeds help the Knights support charities in this area and the state of Arkansas.

Registration begins at 7:00 am with a shot-gun start at 8:00 am. The number of entries determines the number of flights. Each flight will pay \$400.00 for first, \$300.00 for second and \$200.00 for third. For information and entry blank call Dan Bye 870-670-5498 or Sonny Odom 870-670-5281 or Turkey Mountain Pro Shop 870-670-5252.

**FATHER MCGIVNEY GUILD**

MIKE J. MITCHELL  
STATE CHAIRMAN

**ENDINGS AND NEW BEGINNINGS**

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lumbus. Each year we reach the end of our fraternal year and old leaders step aside to make room for new leaders with fresh new ideas. Dear fellow Knights, we have reached this time of year for the ending of the old fraternal year and a new beginning with new leaders and new ideas all building on the basic idea Father McGivney originally had in the formation of our order. We should all pray for our new leaders and work hard to support them for the good of all who benefit from the good works of the Knights of Columbus. So, as we enter this new fraternal year please keep in mind that we are entering what is another one of many new beginnings that we share within the Knights of Columbus. Lets all work together for the Glory of God and the Charity, Unity and Fraternity that the Knights of Columbus represents. The Father McGivney Guild

needs you to be a member and in joining you will be kept informed on the progress of Father McGivney's canonization. You may join at [www.FatherMcGivney.org](http://www.FatherMcGivney.org) of fill out and mail the attached coupon. In closing if you know of any positive results of intercessions through Father McGivney report them to the Guild.

**VOCATION DIRECTOR  
PETER MCNULTY**

My Brother Knights – There is good news to report for the start of our fraternal year.



The Circle from Mountain Home has elected to support one of our seminarians; council 11097 of Marche; council 6834 of Rogers; council 10208 of Hot Springs Village; and council 1153 of Pine Bluff have all made RSVP Awards for this year. Thank you all!!

The above are all new awards for 2007-2008

I am sure reports have been made to Supreme for your 2006 – 2007 refund requests but I have only 10 reports thus far! Hopefully, every council and assembly has submitted either for their plaque or yearly sticker along with your refund

<b>PLEASE ENROLL ME IN THE GUILD</b>	
Name _____	
Address _____	
City _____	
State _____ Zip Code _____	
<p>Mail to:  The Father McGivney Guild  Knights of Columbus  1 Columbus Plaza  New Haven, CT. 06510-3326</p>	

request.

For those councils renewing, continuing, their RSVP support, I would ask – PLEASE e-mail me that information. Again I ask you to do this so I can keep up to date the coordination between all the councils, assemblies, state council, and the Diocese. We, the Diocese and state K C vocations support, are seeking to fund all our seminarians as equally as possible.

Aside from our financial gifts to our seminarians, it is still of utmost importance to support all our seminarians with prayers. Our Past State Deputy has the K C prayer for vocations reduced in size so we could all carry it and thereby be able to use it daily. Hopefully we are, each of us, doing just that, praying for the guidance of The Holy Spirit to each seminarian with wisdom and strength to fulfill their call to God's service.

When you read this, we will have one new priest for our diocese. The Reverend T. J. Hart will be ordained on June 30<sup>th</sup>. We should all rejoice and be glad for this gift.

Please let me know who you are supporting this year.

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## MEMBERSHIP

ART BRENNEN



When this newsletter is published most of you will already know what councils have achieved STAR Award for 2006-2007. As of the 1st of June 2007, I show 9 Councils qualified for the award. There are 13 Councils that with a little more effort on their part could also achieve STAR councils. This would put us over the top for membership and make our State Deputy very "happy".

I feel that we will achieve our goals of over 100% of membership and State Deputy David Witt can take his gorilla's back home. Congratulations to the following District Deputies for a job 'WELL DONE' for new members during the month of May 2007. Please pass this info on to your Grand Knights.

District 02 ..... DD Rainer DeClerk  
Council 01702. (2) ... GK Richard Bruno  
Council 07353. (4) ... GK Alan Hanich ..... 100% mem

District 03 ..... DD Robert Fischer  
Council 01153. (2) ... GK Mike Sanford ..... 100 % mem.. 166% ins ..... STAR  
Council 03998 ..... GK Buddy Hill ..... 120% mem  
Council 11604. (3) ... GK Jerry Neppl ..... 142% mem

District 04 ..... DD Dudley Wells  
Council 02650. (2) ... GK T.J. Smith  
Council 03383. (2) ... GK Fred Ziemann

District 05 ..... DD Michael Crimmins  
Council 06969 ..... GK Glenn Harris ..... 180% mem

District 06 ..... DD Walter Sheldon  
Council 06834 ..... GK Paul Beauchamp ... 137.5% mem  
Council 09514 ..... GK Harold Wallace ..... 133% ins  
Council 12458 ..... GK Godwal "Ed" Viera ... 420% mem.. 100% ins ..... STAR  
Council 13829 ..... GK Mike Mitchell ..... 100% ins

District 08 ..... DD Mike Sartain  
Council 04143 ..... GK Donnie Lock ..... 112.5% mem. 108% ins ..... STAR  
Council 06398. (4) ... GK Jeff Priore ..... 100% mem

District 09 ..... DD Joey Eveld  
Council 05725 .(1) ... GK Adrian Weisenfels. 185.7% mem.. 125% ins ..... STAR  
Council 09777 ..... GK Craig Wahlmeier ..... 120% mem  
Council 12875 ..... GK Philip Savage ..... 220% mem  
Council 14010 ..... GK Jimmie Rofkahr ..... 100% mem.. 100% ins ..... STAR

District 10 ..... DD Mark Morgan  
Council 06419 ..... GK Iturba Perceful ..... 157.1% mem... 100% ins ..... STAR  
Council 10208 . (2) ... GK Michael Kerwin ..... 100% ins

District 11 ..... DD David Grigsby  
Council 01770 ..... GK Vincent J. Glorios ..... 100% mem

District 12 ..... DD Dennis Crawford  
Council 04538 ..... GK John Goodwin ..... 100% ins  
Council 06609 . (3) ... GK Chris Fitz ..... 240% mem... 333% ins ..... STAR  
Council 07787 . (1) ... GK Stephen McCall ..... 260% mem... 166% ins ..... STAR  
Council 12082 . (1) ... GK Rick Rorie ..... 160% mem.... 100%ins ..... STAR

## REPORTS DUE

185 Report of Officers Chosen for Term .....	July 1 - June 30	Jul 01
365 Service program Personnel Report for Term ..	July 1 through June 30	Aug 01
TP-1 Select your Council's "Top Proposer" .....		Aug 15
1295 Semi-annual Council Audit Report .....		Aug 15
2629 Notice of Appointment of Round Table Coordinator .....		Sep 01
CR Official Order Form for Recorded Columbus Day Program .....		Sep 15
FT-KIT Free Throw Council Competition Order Kit.....		Nov 01
FT-1 Free Throw Championship Participation Report .....		Jan 31
1728A Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Member Report .....	As needed	
1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Report.....		Jan 31
1295 Semi-annual Council Audit Report .....		Feb 15
2630 Annual Report Knights d Columbus Round Table .....		Jun 30
ABC/XXX RSVP Refund/Plaque Application .....		Jun 30
SP7 Columbian Award Application .....		Jun 30

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