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JIM NEFF

Brother Knights All:

Best wishes to my Brother Knights and your families that all may experience God's blessings with good health and happiness throughout 2010. I would especially like to thank our knights' ladies and families for supporting each of you in all you do for the Knights of Columbus. The success of the jurisdiction is simply the result of all the many charitable good works done by all of us in our respective councils and assemblies for our parishes and communities.

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As part of this month's newsletter is a letter from Supreme Knight Carl Anderson that needs to be shared with my Brother Knights as you, and not I, are responsible for our successes. I ask you to join me in helping us to attain Circle of Honor again this fraternal year. The best way I know how to achieve Circle of Honor is to achieve another record number of **Star Councils** which honor the councils that played a significant role in our overall success.

At our Mid-Year meeting, I asked our District Deputies to activate and utilize roundtables. Roundtables offer tremendous potential to gain membership for the host council in the council's quest for **Star Council**. Whether the roundtable remains one member's name on the Form 2629, is ethnic, grows larger than the host council, remains a roundtable or becomes a new council within the same fraternal year, all new membership will go to the assisting host council for **Star Council** achievement. Questions? Confusion? Mental Juices Flowing? Great! Call your District Deputy, New Council Development Chairman and Past State Deputy Jimmy McKinnon, Membership Chairman Jim Palmer, Roundtable Chairman Ed Mitchell or myself.

I again thank you for your support in 2009 and wish all the best in the New Year.

Jim Neff

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LETTER FROM SUPREME KNIGHT

CARL A. ANDERSON

December 16, 2009

James R. Neff
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Worthy State Deputy and Dear Brother Neff:

Our mid-year meeting in Orlando was a great success, and we now need to keep the momentum going as the halfway mark of this fraternal year approaches. We want to make this a record year in terms of membership growth and charitable efforts, and collectively we can do just that.

A State Deputy must lead by example, and that's just what you're doing with the programs in Arkansas, such as your work with the RSVP Vocations program and the "Voice for the Unborn" ultrasound initiative. These are the kinds of programs that keep Knights active and interested, and will draw other men to our ranks.

In Orlando, I asked you to develop concrete plans for membership growth. I hope you have already relayed your plans to your state membership director, and will communicate to all your District Deputies and Grand Knights at your State Mid-Year Meeting how you plan to grow the Order in Arkansas.

Jim, it is important that you help lead Arkansas to its Circle of Honor quota. With six months remaining in this fraternal year, I am asking you to have your councils and your District Deputies schedule First Degrees each month, and to encourage every council to continue recruitment efforts each and every month. In addition, have your councils participate in the March Blitz and Supreme Membership Madness Contest. There are many programs and incentives for each council to become membership active.

It is important that you start at least two new councils, which should include 25 new members each. Fifty new members would be 13% of your fraternal year quota and will help Arkansas reach and exceed its membership quota by the end of June 2010. I am confident that with your guidance, Arkansas will make the Circle of Honor for this fraternal year.

Let me close with a heartfelt wish that you, Carolyn, and all your loved ones have a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Fraternally,

Signed
Carl A. Anderson
Supreme Knight

MASS AND THE MARCH FOR LIFE SCHEDULE

**MAX W. NUTT
DISTRICT MASTER**

This is the schedule for the Mass and the March for Life on January 17th in Little Rock. The commander of the Bishop Byrne Assembly in Little Rock, Kenny Petty, has agreed to be in charge of the honor guard. I am very thankful to him and faithful navigator Jon Haslauer for their leadership. I encourage any sir knight that can be in the honor guard with us to please do so. I pray the weather will be good and we will have a good attendance. The telephone number for Kenny is 501-455-6192.

I ask that all assemblies make a commitment now to get the required annual fraternal survey sent in to Supreme Council and to me before the January 31 deadline. If you do, you will fulfill one obligation that is very simple and also avoid being on a list for me to contact to get it sent in. It is my duty to see that all assemblies get this report in, so please take care of this

I hope each of you had a very merry and Blessed Christmas and may you enjoy a great 2010.

Special thanks for all you do in the Knights of Columbus.

Max W. Nutt
District Master

JANUARY VIGIL FOR LIFE

Here is the schedule of adoration for the upcoming January Vigil for Life. Call me if you have any questions; 501-664-0340.

Marianne Linane
Respect Life Director

VIGIL SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 16-17, 2010

PARISHES

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Cathedral of St. Andrew
.....	St. Theresa
9:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Holy Souls
.....	St. Francis of Assisi

11:00 PM – 1:00 AM Good Counsel
..... St. Augustine
..... St. Patrick
..... St. Mary

1:00 AM – 3:00 AM Christ the King

3:00 AM - 4:30 AM St. John Latin Community

4:30 AM – 6:30 AM Immaculate Conception - North Little Rock
..... St. Anne
..... St. Bartholomew

6:30 AM — 8:30 AM St. Edward
..... Immaculate Heart of Mary

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

7:00 PM – 9:30 PM St. Theresa - Little Rock
..... Knights of Columbus Council 06615

9:30 PM – 12:00 AM St. Edward - Little Rock
..... Holy Souls - Little Rock
..... Good Council - Little Rock
..... Knights of Columbus Council 00812

12:00 AM – 2:00 AM St. Jude - Jacksonville
..... Knights of Columbus Council 11604

2:00 AM – 4:00 AM Christ the King - Little Rock
..... Knights of Columbus Council 10167

4:00 AM – 6:00 AM Immaculate Conception - North Little Rock
..... St. Mary - North Little Rock
..... St. Patrick - North Little Rock
..... St. Augustine - North Little Rock
..... Knights of Columbus Council 06253
..... Knights of Columbus Assembly 2054

6:00 AM – 8:30 AM Immaculate Heart of Mary - Marche'
..... Knights of Columbus Council 11097

YOUTH DIRECTOR

DAVID McCALL

Brother Knights,

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

Since 1972, councils have sponsored the Knights of Columbus International Free Throw Championship for boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 14.

The championship is set up to have the contestants compete within their own gender and age group. All competition starts at the local level. Winners move on to the district, regional, and state or province levels. From there, some make it to the international level for championship competition in their group.



To sponsor a competition, all your council needs is the Free Throw Championship Kit (#FT-KIT), a couple of basketballs, a hoop and a bunch of kids. It is a great way to get out into the public and introduce the Order to your community — while providing youths with a rewarding activity that yields a chance for local, state or provincial, and international recognition.

It's that time of year again, The 2010 Knight of Columbus State Free Throw Competition will be held at St. Joseph's Gym in Conway, AR on Sunday March 7th. Registration will begin at 12:30 PM and free throws will begin at 1:30 PM. Please bring your district free throw papers.

If you are still in need of some Free Throw District Winner medals, contact me.

ARKANSAS INTERNATIONAL FREE THROW CHAMPION IN 2009

In 2009 Arkansas had an International Champion in the Girls Age 13 Group, Jasmine Jackson, making 24 out of a possible 25. She was sponsored by Council 07258, Mena, AR.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST

Rules And Regulations

Topics/Categories

Entries in the Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest must fall under one of these topics: Alcohol Awareness and Abuse & Drug Awareness and Abuse. Each poster must include a slogan reflecting either of the topics and an original visual image. Posters may only be entered under one topic.

Eligibility

The Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest is open to all young people between the ages of 8 and 14.

Age Groups

Contest entrants compete in one of two age groups – ages 8 through 11, and ages 12 through 14.

Rules

- Posters must reflect either the theme of Alcohol Awareness and Abuse or Drug Awareness and Abuse.
- Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.
- Posters must be 11X17 inches in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic. Posters may be in color or black and white.
- Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest entry form. The name and age of the person entering the poster should be included on the back of the poster.
- All entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council. Posters will not be returned.

Judging

A 100-point scoring system will be used to determine the winners. 30 Points: Slogan – How clearly is the theme presented? 30 Points: Visuals – How well do the visuals convey the message? 40 Points: Overall impact – How effective was the poster in capturing your attention and causing you to reflect on the topic?

Timetable

The deadline for receipt of state-level winning entries at the Supreme Council office for the international competition is March 31, 2010. International winners will be announced in May.

ARKANSAS SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER WINNER

In the 2006 Contest, Arkansas had a First Place International winner in the 12-14 Years Old Age Group. Alyssa Killian from Gassville, AR, she was sponsored by The Fisherman Council 07353.



ARKANSAS STATE TIMETABLE

Also, you can bring your district Substance Abuse Awareness posters to the Free Throw Competition to give directly to me or mail them to me by Friday, March 19, 2010.

Receipt of the posters to me by that time will allow time for judging as well as the chance to send the finalist on to the Supreme Council for International Judging.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ESSAY CONTEST

The Order has expanded the Knights of Columbus Essay Contest to all Catholic students — in public, private or parochial schools — in grades 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 during the current school year. The contest has also been expanded to go through the different levels of competition to the international level.

The theme of the essay contest is “The Responsibility of the Catholic Citizen in a Free Society.” The contest opens the doors of young minds, enabling the entrants to be creative, thoughtful and introspective in their work.

Today’s Catholic youth will become the Catholic adults of tomorrow. By their actions and decisions, today’s young Catholics will play a major role in the future direction of the Catholic Church. As Knights, it is our obligation to fight for the Church; it is of paramount importance to strengthen the foundation of Catholic principles and teachings in the hearts and minds of the youth.

The Order encourages all councils and assemblies to sponsor the Knights of Columbus Essay Contest at schools in their communities. The essay contest is a creative way to encourage young people to become citizens who are firmly grounded in the Faith.

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PRO-LIFE COUPLE JOHN AND MARTI HASLAUER

Dear Friends,

Will Little Rock run a 40 Days for Life Campaign in the Spring?

The Registration Period for the Spring 40 Days for Life is now open, and it will close Monday, December 21st, which is in 11 days.

The national Spring Campaign will run from February 17th (Ash Wednesday) to March 28th (Palm Sunday).

In order for Little Rock to register, we need a Leadership Team.

Here are some of the aspects of a campaign:

- Organizing a prayer watch for the campaign itself (not at the vigil site). We need prayer warriors covering every aspect of this campaign in prayer. We need someone to recruit individuals and prayer groups committed to praying for the campaign and then send them regular updates of specific prayer needs.
- Organizing the 3 main events (opening, mid, and closing) and any special events that come up. This involves speakers, set-up, music, putting together an event schedule and working with the media person to ensure media notification.
- Representing us to the media i.e. press releases for the events, announcements in local papers, radio, etc.
- Managing the 40 days for Life Website (provided by the National Team), adding and updating content throughout the campaign
- Catholic and Protestant Church Outreach- Reaching out to churches that are not yet involved in 40 Days for Life and sharing the vision. We want each campaign to draw in more churches from the community.
- Communicating with all of the Catholic Churches through their bulletins and pulpit announcements. This involves writing short pieces and sending them to the appropriate Church contacts (al of that contact information is readily available).
- Coordination of adopted days. This involves contacting the churches that have previously adopted days, getting them onboard for this campaign, keeping a schedule of adopted days and working with them to see that they have all the information they need and that their day is covered.
- Maintaining and monitoring the vigil calendar. This is all done on-line, but many individuals or groups do not enter their own hours for one reason or another. We need people to look one or two days ahead and spend time on the phone filling empty slots. The database of people is available, but calls need to be made to fill in the holes for any given day.
- Organizing community outreach, such as the door-to-door campaign.
- Pulling all of these aspects together and serving as the main contact person for the campaign. Yes, we need a campaign director.

Many hands make light work. Would you like to be involved in putting together a Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign in Little Rock? Pray about it.

Many Blessings to all of you and may this Advent Season prepare us for a Joyous Christmas.

Yours in Christ,

John and Marti Haslauer

P.S. I wanted to share this amazing note with you. This came from a volunteer at St. Josephs, the Crisis Pregnancy Center across from the abortuary.

Today at St. Joseph 's Helpers we received a call and a lady told us that about two weeks ago she had gone to the abortion clinic to get an abortion. She stopped to talk to some of the sidewalk counselors who were praying on the sidewalk. They gave her a card with our telephone number on it - and that is why she was calling us. She had gone into the clinic, remembered a story about a friend of hers having a hard time after an abortion, looked at our card and left. Praise God!!

She plans to carry her baby to term (March) and either keep the baby or let a good family adopt the baby. God bless her, and I pray that God will protect her and her baby throughout the rest of her pregnancy.

I commend and congratulate all of the sidewalk counselors whose prayers and presence make these miracles happen!! God bless every single one of them. I know that God will express his thanks to them as they stand before him on the last day. (He likes to see the human beings he creates grow to fulfill the destiny he has in mind for them!)

Marti Haslauer

VOCATION CHAIRMAN
PETER McNULTY

My Brother Knights:

A recap of our Vocation efforts throughout the state is as follows:

The seminarians, listed below, are being sponsored by more than ONE RSVP awards:

1. Jason Sharbaugh Ordination - 2010
2. Josh Stengel Ordination – 2010
3. Juan Manjarrez
4. Alejandro Puello
5. Andrew Hart
6. Enrique Castro

7. Willbrod Frank
8. Luis Miguel Pacheco
9. Juan Guido
10. David Fernando Mora
11. Shaun Klatt
12. Michael Johns
13. Stephan Gadberry
14. Joseph De Orbegzo
15. Stephen Elser
16. Luis G. Hernandez, Jr.
17. Michael Siebold

The following Seminarians are sponsored by ONE RSVP Award:

1. Joseph Archibong Ordination 2010
2. Victor Ruben Quinteros Ordination 2010
3. Tony Robbins Ordination 2010
4. Mauricio Carrasco
5. Macario Martin Olvera
6. Robert Cigainero
7. Jose Caballero Andrade
8. Raul Garduno
9. Brad Charbonneau
10. Jose Luis Galvan
11. Zack Morton

Please let me point out that this information is based on those councils and assemblies that have reported their support to me. I am not interested in embarrassing anyone, so I have not indicated those councils that have Not reported or are not supporting a seminarian. My Brother Knights, if your council or assembly is NOT involved, perhaps, with the start of 2010, you can re-evaluate your circumstances and start to support one of those who are only sponsored ONCE. The support of each of our seminarians is a great gift of Charity and support of our Church.

Each of these seminarians make a commitment to our Heavenly Father and are our future and continued service to each of us as the source of Christ's gift of The Eucharist to help us in our travel through life. Please consider both your financial and Spiritual support for each of these young men.

God bless you all throughout this coming year.

VIVAT JESUS

STATE SECRETARY

CHARLES KETTER

Happy and Blessed New Year. Welcome to the New Year and a chance to break old habits. We have had a fast and good 2009 but I look forward to a great 2010. We will be getting several e-mails and snail mails as the convention starts to take shape. I ask that each District Deputy, Grand Knight, and Financial Secretary answer all correspondence in a timely manner. The Fraternal year has started great let's continue to make this the best fraternal year ever.

To all of you who have recruited a new member I say congratulations. To everyone else I challenge you to recruit one. I am sure you know at least one catholic gentleman who is not a knight. Let us all consider recruiting a new member.

The persons with disabilities drive aka tootsie roll drive has been a great success. If your council has not participated it is not to late to get on board. The pennies from heaven has been very active this year with different heart breaking situations nearly depleting the fund. I ask that when your council discusses your pennies from heaven donation please consider adding a little extra to help out our fellow man.

One final thought this is the year of the priest PLEASE remember this special gift from God your priest. May God bless and keep you healthy and safe through out 2010.

Charles Ketter
State Secretary

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PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

GEORGE KNOX

DISABILITY DRIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Worthy State Officers and Brothers,

Attached is a file containing the updated list (as of 12/15/2009) of Councils which have participated in the Disability Drive.

The value of this information is highly suspect as the list is neither comprehensive nor totally accurate. Rather, the information contained thereon is that which I have become aware of through communications received from the various Councils. Noteworthy are the efforts of Hot Springs Council 06419 and the Mena Council 07258, reporting Net Profits of \$4,449.60 and \$4,349.03, respectively. Certain other Councils (Jacksonville comes to mind), I suspect generated substantial monies for their charities, but have no confirmation. Brother Charles, perhaps the list may be of some use to you as a means to confirm information on checks received in your office.

I guess my submission for the December State Newsletter, thanking the Councils, was my last. Perhaps

a list of participating councils and amounts received could be published in the January Newsletter as a means to acknowledge and thank the participating councils. My practice was to thank the Grand Knights and other Council representatives via email for their efforts and that of their councils; however, as my information is incomplete, I know I didn't thank all that participated.

Wishing you a happy and Merry Christmas,

George Knox

PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES DRIVE - 2009

COUNCILS PARTICIPATING.

.....	Council 01153 Pine Bluff	.....	Donation of \$50.00
St. Mary's	Council 01713 Paragould	.....	Donation of \$50.00
St. Edward's	Council 02650 Texarkana	.....	Net Profit \$2,678.94
.....	Council 02443 Pocahontas	.....	Net Profit of \$2,525.29
.....	Council 05725 Clarksville	.....	Unknown
Father James P. McDonnel	Council 06253 North Little Rock	.....	Net Profit of \$1,200.00
.....	Council 06419 Hot Springs	.....	Net Profit of \$4,449.60
Fr. MacCauley	Council 06609 Fayetteville	.....	Net Profit of \$1,406.50
.....	Council 06834 Rogers	.....	Unknown
Msgr. A.P. Gallagher	Council 07258 Mena	.....	Net Profit of \$4,349.03
The Fisherman	Council 07353 Mountain Home	.....	Unknown (Net Profit Not Yet Disclosed)
Adam A. Micek	Council 08410 Harrison	.....	Net Profit of \$1,996.96
.....	Council 08815 Fairfield Bay	.....	Net Profit of \$834.74
Our Lady of Fatima	Council 09363 Benton	.....	Net Profit of \$1,124.44
St. Michael	Council 09777 Van Buren	.....	Unknown
Daniel P. Sullivan	Council 10208 Hot Springs Village	.....	Unknown
Fr. Conan Mowhorr	Council 10493 Horseshoe Bend	.....	Net Profit \$647.06
St. Mary's	Council 10908 St. Vincent	.....	Net Profit \$324.00
St. Jude's	Council 11604 Jacksonville	.....	Unknown
St. Raphael	Council 12082 Springdale	.....	Unknown
St. Stephen	Council 12458 Bentonville	.....	Unknown
Karl Christ Jr.	Council 12778 Heber Springs	.....	Unknown (donated directly to a school)
Sacred Heart	Council 12875 Charleston	.....	Unknown (substitute program)
Divine Mercy	Council 13289 Siloam Springs	.....	Unknown
St. Mary's	Council 14010 Altus	.....	Unknown (plan alternative program)
Abbott Raphael DeSalvo	Council 14619 Scranton	.....	Donation of \$50.00
.....	Council 17070 Helena	.....	Unknown(intention to make donation)



STAFF PHOTO DAVID FRANK DEMPSEY Army Spc. Robert Kearney, from left, makes presentations of plaques Sunday in gratitude to Knights of Columbus members Fred Rugel, Trey Willis and Monsignor Scott L. Marczuk at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Bentonville. Through the Knights of Columbus program Operation We Care, Kearney received care packages of books, food and other items each month during his deployment to Iraq from Dec. 14, 2008, until Dec. 4, 2009.

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NOTICE:

Please try to send your newsletter reports and messages to John Hollender, Newsletter Editor, by Friday, January 22, 2010, for the February 2010 Newsletter. Please e-mail to johnh911@conwaycorp.net.

Reports Due

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

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