STATE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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"In service to one, in service	e to all."

Calendar

May 15-17
May 23
June 6
June 14

State Deputy visits local councils

The State Deputy has visited the following councils this month:

Council 2499 Hardinsburg Council 12502 Independence Council 12354 Mt. Washington Council 15841 St. Edward

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Local news



Council 2499 Hardinsburg normally awards two scholarships to graduating seniors each year. This year because of a special circumstance they added an additional scholarship.



Council 7387 Hawesville reactivated its Squires Circle and brought in 18 new Squires.



Council #14130 in Lexington celebrated Divine Mercy Sunday.

Did you know?

Supreme has 31 new training videos available to help you in all areas from learning what is require to achieve Star Council to how to be a better recruiter. They can be accessed from the "Officers Online" section of Supreme's website.







Dads and Daughters Prom held by McGivney Council 12502.

Council Cruise-In



Bishop Ackerman Council #5453 held a fantastic event with 51 vehicles and more than 100 in attendance. The positive feedback received from the cruisers will help us make this an annual event. Proceeds are being donated to St. William parish in Williamstown, KY for parish projects. St. William is set to become the newest roundtable for the council. Thanks to all who made this event a success: Ken DeMaria, John Doubrava, Terry Kidwell, Terry Eibel, John Marinacci, Fred Meade, Jim Alcorn, Rick Wells, Dean Adams, Eric Ritchie, Reese Davies and David White. So, keep thinking 'beyond the donut' for more great ideas!









Council 1764 Annual Pancake Breakfast to Raise funds for Notre Dame Sisters Uganda Mission. So many partners in mission came to the 19th Annual Pancake Breakfast on April 19, 2015 in support of the Sisters of Notre Dame mission in Uganda.

We are humbled by and grateful for the support of all those who came and the untiring dedication of the Knights of Columbus. Thank you!

-Sisters of Notre Dame



Father Mario Tizziani, pastor, St. Cecilia Parish, Independence, was recognized as a Distinguished Pastor at the 2015 NCEA (National Catholic Education Association) Convention and Expo, April 7, in Orlando, Fla. Pictured, from left, are: Jim King, interim executive director, Elementary Department, NCEA; Kendra McGuire, principal, St. Cecilia School; Father Tizziani; Michael Clines, superintendent of schools, Diocese of Covington; and Christian Brother Robert Bimonte, president, NCEA.

Bishop Mulloy Knights of Columbus volunteer to buy, make and s e r v e breakfast at the H e n r y H o s e a H o u s e,



Newport, once every quarter. Shown here ready to serve are (left to right): Meredith Fennell, Michael Fennell, Deacon Bill Theis, Bob Fennell, Grand Knight Bob Hassan and Mark Rolf.





Council 2761 Bishop Spaulding Annual Derby Charity Dinner was well attended.





Honor guard members from all over the Lexington Diocese took part in the ordination ceremony of Bishop John Stowe on May 5th. Bishop Stowe is the 3rd Bishop of Lexington.

This is a reprint of a story that ran in the Messenger on May 1, 2015 The complete issue can be downloaded at <u>http://www.covdio.org/messenger/</u>



You often see members of the Knights of Columbus on special occasions parades, marches and pontifical Masses. They are known for carrying swords while donning tuxedos, capes and

feathered hats. They also are known to host fish fries, spaghetti dinners and pancake breakfasts. They organize golf outings and Tootsie Roll drives to support the Special Olympics and other charities for the mentally disabled. They are known for their principles of "Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism." But surprisingly, even though they have a presence at nearly every parish in our diocese, most people are unaware of the knights' extensive contributions in support of the Culture of Life — an involvement that can be traced back to the beginning of the movement and has never wavered.

In 1973, following Roe v. Wade — the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion in the United States — the Knights of Columbus called the decision "shocking and unfortunate" and immediately started its "Support for Life" campaign. Soon after, knights from across the country participated in the first national March for Life on Jan. 22, 1974, many acting as marshals directing the large crowd. The knights have been present every year since — in large numbers.

In 1975, the Supreme Council's board of directors voted to grant \$50,000 to the US bishops' pro-life efforts. This was the beginning of the order's charitable donations to the cause. A year later, that grant was renewed and \$10,000 was added to support the Canadian bishops' pro-life efforts.

In 1979, the order funded the US bishops' brief before the Supreme Court defending employers' rights to deny abortions in medical coverage. This was the first of many briefs and suits the order would fund or file on issues involving abortion, assisted suicide and embryonic stem cell research.

Today, the order's dedication to Culture of Life initiatives is stronger than ever. Councils at the supreme (national), state and local level participate in and organize a wide variety of programs. Every member of the order (over 1.8 million strong) contributes two dollars to the Culture of Life Fund as part of his annual dues. This fund, which was established to advance the Culture of Life, has provided tens of millions of dollars to numerous organizations, including the Sisters of Life, Birthright International, the National Life Center, the National Catholic Bioethics Center, the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Catholic Organization for Life and Family in Canada.

The Culture of Life Fund also supports the Ultrasound Initiative, whereby local councils help provide ultrasound machines to pregnancy resource centers using matching funds. The Supreme Council matches, dollar for dollar, all funds raised by a local council or councils. Once 50 percent of the needed funds are raised, the ultrasound machine is purchased and delivered, allowing expectant mothers to see an image of their child and hear a heartbeat. Studies show that up to 90 percent of abortion-minded women who see the ultrasound choose life for their child.

To date, the knights have placed more than 500 ultrasound machines in pregnancy care centers worldwide, with an estimated value of over \$25 million. Kentucky has nine, with another four in the works. In our diocese, councils have provided ultrasound machines to the Rose Garden Home

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Mission, Covington and CareNet Pregnancy Services, Cold Spring.

Like the Supreme Council, the Kentucky state council also has a Culture of Life Fund, which is disbursed to worthwhile causes and organizations in each of our four dioceses, including the Ultrasound Initiative. The state officers and directors help organize and sponsor statewide pro-life campaigns, activities and awareness, including marches, Masses and events supporting the bishops as well as an annual Culture of Life poster contest.

Perhaps the greatest contribution of the knights comes at the local level. Local councils throughout the world are expected to participate in at least four Culture of Life activities annually in their local diocese. Councils in our diocese do so in many ways, working individually and together on events such as:

- Sponsoring the diocesan Pro-Life Essay Contest by providing the \$1,000 in prize money awarded each year.
- Donating funds to send seminarians and students to the March for Life in Washington, D.C.
- Leading the Cross the Bridge for Life walk each June, where local councils provide bottled water and refreshments.
- Providing an honor guard by the Color Corps at nearly every pro-life Mass or march in the diocese.
- Building memorials to the unborn.
- Contributing to local parish pro-life funds.
- Holding diaper drives and baby bottle campaigns for pregnancy care centers.
- Praying rosaries in front of abortion clinics.
- Placing memorial crosses at parishes in remembrance of those babies lost to abortion.
- Supporting the Franciscan Daughters of Mary and the Rose Garden Home Mission in

Covington with financial assistance and service hours.

- Opening its halls to pro-life organizations and natural family planning education.
- Contributing to programs that assist mothers who have had abortions.

This is just the tip of the iceberg, and the nation's more than 15,000 local councils add more ideas and innovations to the list of pro-life activities each year.

Finally — and unquestionably most importantly the members of the Knights of Columbus pray. They pray for an end of abortion. They pray for the mothers considering abortion, for the babies lost and for those lives affected by abortion. They pray for our state and our country, for our leaders and for our priests. They hold rosary devotions and attend Eucharistic adoration and Masses.

So, while the Knights of Columbus may be best known for their plumes and swords, it is their dedication to the Culture of Life that deserves wider recognition, for it is their highest priority. They begin every meeting with prayer and the Pro-Life pledge at every level of the order. They stand with our bishops and priests in defense of the sanctity of human life.

For every member of the Knight of Columbus, the Culture of Life is always in the forefront, and no knight takes lightly his duty to protect the unborn.

Eric Ritchie is a former Grand Knight of Bishop Ackerman Knights of Columbus Council 5453, Burlington, Ky. He currently serves as District Deputy of District 22, responsible for the three K of C councils in Boone County. He, his wife Amy, and their four children are members of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Burlington.



KofC Bishop Flaget Council #13053 Brother John Moriarity helped write a paper for the May-June 2015 U.S. Marine Corps & U.S. Army "Fires" Bulletin.

"...Patriot Battalions – have been on constant, steady state operations and deployments into the Central Command Area of Responsibility (AOR) for the past 25 years and counting. There is no indication that Patriot Battalions will cease rotational deployments...our allies in this region (and beyond) continually and consistently request more air and missile defense presence from their U.S. partner in defending their freedom...On Nov. 1, 2014, the 4th Battalion, 3rd Air Defense Artillery (4-3 ADA) assumed the Global Response Force (GRF) mission for the Army. This required the Battalion to be ready to deploy Patriot forces worldwide on a seven-day Prepare to Deploy Order..."

John serves as the 4th Battalion, 3rd Air Defense Artillery Fire Direction Center Officer In Charge. Brother John and his wife Lucy are currently posted at Fort Sill, OK.

The entire article can be downloaded from <u>http://</u> <u>sill-www.army.mil/firesbulletin/current/schmidt.html</u>



The Knights, family, and friends of council #14130 in Lexington enjoy a Legends game at Whitaker Bank Ballpark. The Legends won 6-2. GK Chris Luketich explained to us the finer points of baseball strategy.

Chris also retrieved a foul ball. Unfortunately it ricocheted off a little girl. She walked away OK. Chris gave the ball to a boy nearby because he

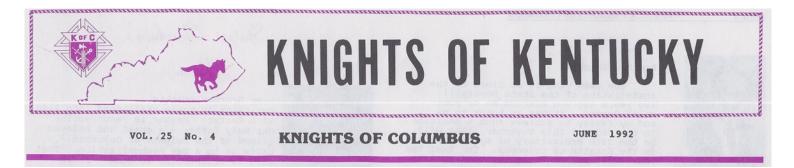


didn't know the girl had been hit. All had a good time. Look forward to the Next Adventure of the Knights.

A blast from the past...

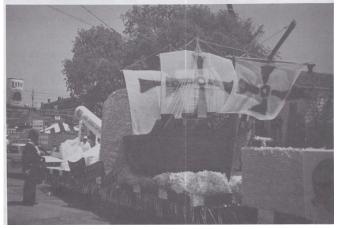
Thanks to Mike and Jane Peak we have copies of the original Kentucky State Council Newsletters

starting all the way back in 1964. I will include parts from other issues each month.



K of C float wins prize in Kentucky Derby Festival parade

K of C float wins prize in Kentucky Derby Pestival parade The Kentucky State Council's first-ever entry in the Pegasus Parade, the climax of Louisville's annual Kentucky Derby Festival, proved a prize-winner. The state council's Quincentennial float, "Discover America 1492-1992 500 Years," won the parade's Thoroughbreds' Award for attention to detail. More than 300,000 people lined 2.5 miles of Louisville's Broadway April 30 to view the 37th annual Pegasus Parade, which was telecast to a regional TV audience. Escorted by a Fourth Degree honor guard, the float featured a replica of the Santa Maria in the front and a model space rocket called the U.S.S. Christopher Columbus at the rear. Between 100 and 200 Kentucky Knights spent more than 1,200 manhours making the float a reality. In addition, the Kentucky State Council entered a hot air balloon bearing huge K of C, Quincentennial, Fourth Degree and Agency Department insignias in the 20th annual Great Balloon Race. But the race was canceled due to adverse weather conditions. The balloon, however, participated in an exhibition on April 28.





Designer of the float Christopher Smrt

Awards

Family of the Month for Bishop Ackerman Council #5453 is the Larry Cahill Family. Brother Larry has been a member of our council since 2005. He is active at our Friday Bingo Fish Fry and recently along with Brother Chuck Hitter, designed and created the corner cabinet which houses our Mary statue in Acree Hall.



Council #15063 in Pikeville awarded Knight of the Year to Sir Knight Sidney Tackett.

Our worthy Knight has been very instrumental in day-to-day operations of the Council, recruiting new members and been a plethora of information when needed. His dedication and service to the Knights and his community are a model each of us should follow.



Council #1487 in Ashland Family of the Month is Ed & Rose Glockner for all their efforts throughout the year, supporting the Knights and our Hall.

Council #1487 in Ashland Knight of the Month is Nino Murer for demonstrating the true brotherhood of Knights



Degrees



Council 12502 welcomes two new brothers into the KofC.



Council 14130 brought in 11 new Knights.



Bishop Ackerman Council #5453 welcomes (L to R), Chris Kiely, Joe Brown, Alex Casper and John Marinacci. The council would also like to welcome Bob Lind, who is a transfer and Mike Evans, who has reactivated his membership with the Order. Welcome aboard!



From State Deputy Frank Shay



It is May and the weather has turned warm, trees and flowers are in bloom. The work of our 11,674 members is also blossoming. As the

preparations for the State Convention move forward we are now 10th worldwide and 6th in the US and its territories. We have three new councils and are working on more. Council programs are expanding and having greater impact. At the convention there will be close to 130 awards given out as a result of the councils accomplishments. It is entirely possible that the Kentucky Jurisdiction will make Circle of Honor by the time the Convention convenes. Each of you has earned the right to be proud of these accomplishments. I hope that you will attend the convention and help celebrate a successful year.

Vivat Jesus, Frank Shay

From State Secretary Gabe Cabral

May has lots of events packed into it, Mother's Day, Armed Forces Day, and Memorial Day. And let's not forget the approaching wrap up of the fraternal year, and State Convention.

Mother's Day honors the ones in or lives who gave us life. Everyone on this Earth has a mother and whether the one we call "Mom" is our biological or adopted mother, there is always a special place reserved in our hearts for her. For some of us, our mothers are no longer with us, but we still think of her daily, and sometimes speak to her.

Armed Forces Day honors those individuals who felt the desire and answered the call to serve this great nation and protect the lives of our citizens. My wife and I share the pride with the many other families whose sons and daughters have taken the solemn oath to defend the nation and the Constitution in our Armed Forces.

Finally, Memorial Day serves to remind us to remember those who have left this world for their eternal reward. As a teenager, I worked at a Nursing Home and I got to know many, many wonderful people who have long since passed away. Most of them were part of the group Tom Brokaw referred to as "The Greatest Generation". It's a title that was earned by these fine people for all their hard work and sacrifice. These folks continue to have a huge influence on my life every day and their advice could generally be boiled down to these few words-"Do the right thing, work hard and you'll be rewarded".

Sadly, there is less of this theme in today's society, but it's good to see that those who follow this advice, consistently come out on top. So for the month of May, I ask you to celebrate your deep connection with your mother, thank our active military and veterans for their service to this nation, and remember and honor those who have gone on before us by doing the right thing and working hard. The reward will come.

Gabe Cabral State Secretary

From State Advocate Cameron Peck

Brothers, it is May already and the state convention is right around the corner. This is a time for us to get together and catch up with old friends, make new friends, celebrate our victories and learn from others' successes. Our progress toward achieving Circle of Honor for the fourth year in a row is going very well. As of this writing we only need 15 new members for us to surpass Supreme's quota of 570 new members. But that is only part of the equation. For us to achieve Circle of Honor we need to get 18 Star Councils also. Publishing the newsletter for the past year has shown me that our councils are <u>very</u> active. I have no doubt that you have done more than enough programs to fill the SP-7 form, and you could probably fill it twice. Don't let the paperwork keep you from achieving the great honor of Star Council. New insurance members is often a stumbling block for councils. Please encourage your new members to consider purchasing a new member annuity which can be started for as little as \$100. Historically these annuities have paid very well and there is no reason to think that will change. I hope to see you at the convention.

Vivat Jesus, Cameron Peck

From District Master Gary Dykhuis

Worthy Faithful Navigators and Ladies,

May Events; May Day on May 1 is an ancient Northern Hemisphere spring festival and usually a public holiday. A traditional spring holiday in many cultures. Dances, singing, and cake are usually part of the celebrations.

Derby Day, May 2, 141st running with American Pharaoh winning the roses. Pegasus Parade, was a success and without rain.

Please Welcome Our Newest Assembly, Fr Chunta Assembly, Pikesville/Prestonsburg.

May Birthdays: Please wish Faithful Navigators Charles Rienhard, Marien Assembly, Maysville; Tom Billings, E.T. Murphy Assembly, Vine Grove, Kurt Schmidt, St Pius X Assembly, Calvert City, a Happy Birthday.

Help Wanted: One Veteran Volunteer for the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington, training provided by the VA. This is a very rewarding position. Please contact me.

Exemplifications; West Virginia, June 6, 2015, Wheeling, WV. Contact District Master Aladin A. Musilli, e-mail <u>mmusilli@comcast.net</u> Phone 304-238-6173.

Tennessee, April 18, Chattanooga; April 25, Columbia; June 13, Kingsport. Contact Michael J. Porter, PSD, Tennessee District Master, 615-308-6777.

Indiana, October 17, Evansville, IN, Contact Norm Stoffel, PSD District Secretary e-mail <u>storman_norman51@yahoo.com</u> Phone 260-356-1096. Indiana District Master is Charles Whitcraft

The April Columbia had an article "Junipero Serra, Hero of Evangelization." Fray Junipero help improve living conditions for Indians living in California by introducing farming, crafts and trades. He, over two decades, founding 11 Missions, which ended up being a total 21 Missions. These Missions Churches are from San Diego to Monterey. Many also had schools in them, I had the opportunity to attend the School in San Francisco (Mission Dolores). This School was started in 1776 and is still running today. And yes as a youth, I did serve Mass in the "Old Mission." Pope Francis announced the he is going to canonize Fray Junipero Serra on his visit to the United State in September. Vivat Jesus,

SK Gary Dykhuis, Kentucky District Master

From Bill Schmidt IPSD

Brother Knights -

The end of the fraternal year is rapidly approaching. Your council should be busy with all sorts of activity including shooting for Star Council, getting end of the year reports submitted, and equally important – planning for the next fraternal year.

One of the most important things you will be doing within the next 30 days will be electing the officers of your council for next year. Take a look at your council leadership and ask yourself if you are happy with the direction your council is moving. If you are, great! Make sure the slate of officers you elect will keep your council moving in that same direction. If you are not happy, maybe it's time for a change. Who are the leaders in your council? Are they currently officers? Are they active? Are they running for office? These are the questions you need to ask yourself now. Perhaps the new leader in your council is you! Regardless, nominate and elect the Brother Knights from your council that can "right the ship" and put your council back on course to grow in Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Sometimes the right choice for office is not the popular choice. Take stock of your council and vote your conscience.

I wish you all the best of luck in finishing the year strong and building momentum for the next fraternal year. Remember that your District Deputy and State Officers are here to help.

Vivat Jesus! Bill Schmidt IPSD



From Membership Director Bill Hancock

I searched for a superlative to describe the recruiting action for April. I came up with *supercalifragilistic*. Recruiters in 27 Councils brought in 92 new members during April. The Council list is attached. That's *supercalifragilistic*!

The run for the roses is over. While WildCard did not make it into the winners circle he ran a strong race to take the place position and a \$550.00 purse.

Kentucky Derby

State	Horse Name	NET/NET as of April 1	Yearly Quota	April Intake	April %	May Intake	May%	June Intake	June %	Total Intake	Total %	Need for 10%
Georgia	War Admiral	126	950	166	17.47%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	166	17.47%	*
Kentucky	WildCard	65	570	92	16.14%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	92	16.14%	*
Saskatchewan	Northern Star	15	325	45	13.85%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	45	13.85%	*

May is Preakness month. The 1 and 3/16 mile race started on May 1 and the finish line is May 29. The maximum purse for the Preakness is \$600.00 (\$300.00 for 10% of membership quota and \$300.00 to win the race). WildCard was first out of the gate for a fast start. You recruiters will have to get him across the finish line.

Preakness 5/7/2015

State	Horse Name	NET/NET for May		April Intake	April %	May Intake	May %	June Intake	June %	Total Intake	Total %	Need for 10%
Kentucky	WildCard	19	570	92	16.14%	_	3.51%		0.00%		19.65%	
North Dakota	Trigger	8	525	43	8.19%	12	2.29%	0	0.00%	55	10.48%	41
British Columbia	Strongfinish	3	575	73	12.70%	10	1.74%	0	0.00%	83	14.43%	48

The Jurisdiction has a quota of 18 Star Councils. There are 24 Councils that have achieved their membership quotas ranging from 100 to 650%. Then there are 12 Councils that have achieved their insurance quotas ranging from 100 to 267%. Councils that have achieved their membership or insurance quotas are posted to the respective Honor Rolls on the State website. But, only 9 Councils have achieved both membership and insurance quotas making them eligible for Star Council. There are other Councils needing a member or two and an insurance member or two to achieve Star Council. Keep working toward the goal. There are Supreme dollars for the taking when you achieve Star status.

I look forward to seeing you at the State Convention.

Bill Hancock, PSD Membership Director

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Council Recruiting During April 2015								
Council	District	Location	M'ship	Quota	Gain			
		Kentucky	11421		92			
762	19	Lexington	200	13	2			
817	4	Owensboro	159	11	2			
1264	10	Lebanon	282	19	1			
1315	8	Bowling Green	365	25	3			
1377	25	Maysville	155	10	2			
1483	20	Frankfort	163	11	7			
1764	23	Ludlow	206	14	1			
5453	22	Hebron	231	16	5			
6368	8	Glasgow	42	4	2			
7387	7	Hawesville	47	4	1			
8145	5	Russellville	55	4	1			
10725	4	Owensboro	65	4	6			
10987	1	Fulton	51	4	1			
11470	20	Georgetown	135	9	7			
12623	9	Radcliff	89	6	3			
12852	17	Richmond	121	8	2			
12965	5	Oak Grove	57	4	5			
13053	15	Louisville	122	8	2			
13304	15	Lagrange	119	8	6			
13917	20	Versailles	105	7	6			
14130	19	Lexington	132	9	12			
14604	15	Peewee Valley	57	4	2			
15063	24	Pikeville	54	4	1			
15681	20	Lawrenceburg	38	4	1			
15699	11	Louisville	29	4	4			
15979	14	Louisville	40	4	3			
16179	14	Louisville		0	4			

From Program Director Kent Hoskins Programming tip of the month

Dear Brother Knights:

I'd like to begin by thanking all the councils that submitted their paperwork and reported their activities in a timely manner. It is heartening to see what great things can be accomplished when we set out to do good. We still have May and June to recruit new members and meet their insurance needs. A few councils have already earned the Star Council Award and others are only one or two insurance members away from receiving this most coveted honor. Don't let 10 minutes of easy paperwork stand in the way.

Now is the time to get serious about completing our Columbian Award Applications (Form SP-7). This is, quite simply, a list of all our charitable and fraternal activities conducted throughout this Columbian Year (July1, 2014~June 30, 2015). Please note those dates! Even if you have not yet completed an activity or program in one or more of the six (6) service areas, if you've planned it and intend to do it before June 30, 2015, please list it anyway. Once completed, send the SP-7 in as soon as possible; the earlier, the better. This Form SP-7 must be in at Supreme Office before June 30, 2015. Mail completed forms to:

Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Office Department of Fraternal Services 1 Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510-3326

Please send copies to State Program Director (me), District Deputy and keep a copy for your files. Remember, the SP-7 is required for Star Council AwardIf I can help in any way, my contact information is below.

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SD visits local councils

Council 2499 Hardinsburg



Council 12354 Mt. Washington

Council 12502 Independence



Council 15841 St. Edward



