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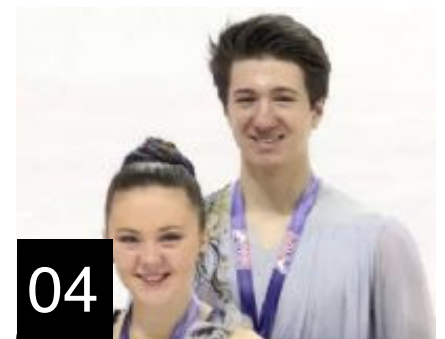


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## Double Star Council

Fr. Noel Zamora (first row, fourth from the left) of Jesus Our Savior Catholic Church in Morehead, Kentucky, presented the Double Star Award to Grand Knight Gary Trent (first row, fifth from the left) during the Sunday Mass sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Fr. John Garvey, GHM Council # 16206 on the second anniversary of their establishment as a council. The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council awarded them this honor for meeting 225% of their annual goal.



## Fourth Degree Chalice

Patsy Knoeringer presented Bill Knoeringer's Bishop Flaget Assembly's Fourth Degree Chalice to Father Jim Schaefer of Blessed Sacrament Church at Fr. Kehoe Council #1764 on Monday February 13, 2017.



## Bavarian Ice Dancing

St. Margaret Mary KofC #15979 Brother David Elder's children are competed in the 2017 Bavarian Ice Dancing Open in Oberstdorf, Germany.

Christopher, 15, and Sophia Elder, 13, were selected by the US Figure Skating Athlete High-Performance Development Department to take part in the international ice dancing competition.

Christopher is a sophomore at Trinity High School and Sophia is an eighth grader at St. Margaret Mary.

Earlier this year, the duo won the bronze medal at the 2017 U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Kansas City, Mo.



## Owensboro Regional Free Throw Contest Winners

AGE	BOYS	GIRLS
9	Grayson Lee Rhodes	Kierstyn Holt
10	Evan Farley	Addison Chandler
11	Bobby Alfonsin	Katelyn "Reese" Hagan
12	Nathan Baird	Sydney Galloway
13	Andrew Chandler	Madelyn Nevitt
14	Tye Williams	None

# Keep Christ in Christmas 2016 Poster Contest Winners

Age 5-7 Division  
Scarlott Wainscott - Florence



# Keep Christ in Christmas cont.

He  
Is The  
Greatest Gift



Age 8-10 Division  
Wendy Daniels - Burlington

Please Keep Christ in Christmas

# Keep Christ in Christmas cont.

Age 11-14 Division  
Ashley Gonzalez - Versailles



# St. Patrick's Coloring Contest



The 2017 Louisville Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) St. Patrick's Coloring Contest was completed Saturday March 11th through the sustained efforts of AOH and Knights

of Columbus Brothers #10682 Shaun McKiernan, #14604 John O'Doyle & Patrick Ryan, and #15979 Bill Moriarity among many others.

This was the 44rd year for the AOH wax-crayon Coloring Contest for Louisville Archdiocese students. Sixteen 3rd, 2nd, & 1st place and Grand Prize Winners were chosen from over 5,000 Kindergarten through 4th Grade student entries. Six 1st place and Grand Prize International Student Winners were chosen from over 120 entries.

The USA Contest Winners were presented with their original drawing in a 8" x 10" picture frame along with a "Coloring Contest Winner" T-shirt following Saturday March 11th Noon Mass at St Louis Bertrand Catholic Church concelebrated by Archbishop Kurtz and Reverend Edward Gorman, O.P.

The Grand Prize winners also received a \$100 Check.

Later that same day the USA Contest Winners and their Parents, escorted by Brother Bill Moriarity rode in the lead float of the Louisville St Patrick's Parade to an enthusiastic cheering crowds estimated at over 30,000.

## 2017 St. Patrick Colouring Contest Winners

### USA

#### Kindergarten

Charlotte Coop	1st Place	St Agnes
Brayden White	2nd Place	St Gabriel
Nico Fernandez De Castro	3rd Place	St Mary Academy

#### 1st Grade

Colton Glasscock	1st Place	St Nicholas
Natalia Benitez	2nd Place	St Gabriel
Natalie Pierce	3rd Place	St Patrick

#### 2nd Grade

KK Heim	1st Place	Holy Spirit
Brooklyn Frank	2nd Place	St Nicholas
Molly Market	3rd Place	St Edward

#### 3rd Grade

Myna Nguyen	1st Place	St Nicholas
Barrett Latham	2nd Place	St Gabriel
Rachel Campana	3rd Place	Immaculata Classical Academy

#### 4th Grade

Evan Sullivan	1st Place	Our Lady of Lourdes
Max Atherton	2nd Place	Our Lady of Lourdes
Claire Sexton	3rd Place	Our Lady of Lourdes

#### Grand Prize Winner

Joshua Fernandez	4th Grade	Our Lady of Lourdes
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## State Deputy Gabe Cabral



**As I alluded to in last month's article, the upcoming months of March and April have many opportunities for boosting our**

**membership rolls across the state of Kentucky. By now you should have seen the letters from the 4 bishops in Kentucky who have promoted the Knights of Columbus as a beneficial and much need ministry. Please take advantage of this letter and use it as a conversation starter with that guy you know would be a great Knight. You know the guy-He's the one you see every week at church. He may have a wife and/or children that mean the world to him, and for whom he would do anything. This is exactly the kind of guy we are looking for.**

This time of the year, many of our councils across the state are heavily involved in conducting Fish Fry events on Friday's during Lent. How about inviting this guy to participate with our Brother Knights while they serve up some very tasty fare, earn money for their councils, build lifelong friendships and maybe attract new members. The rewards of getting involved in these activities are much greater than the effort and time you

spend doing them, and if you can experience them with your old or brand new friends, it sweetens the deal even more. These great social events have far reaching effects in our communities and are the start of some wonderful family memories and maybe even the spark in a young catholic man's heart to explore becoming a Knight. I know if you look at the folks who come to these events, you'll spot a few additional men you see at church, probably with their family, enjoying some seafood. Here's an idea--Bring that family a few extra pieces of fish and fries as thanks for supporting the Knights of Columbus and let him know you'd like to see him get personally involved by joining the Knights. Be prepared to talk about some of the youth and family activities the Knights offer, and you'll likely see his family encourage him to join too.

**Vivat Jesus!  
Gabe Cabral**

# State Chaplain

## Fr. Patrick Dolan

"Keep it bright for liberty's sake" is a phrase we use as part of the concluding ceremonies in the Patriotic (4th) degree. It refers to the sword--but does not have anything to do with "show" or light. Keeping a sword bright means polishing and sharpening the sword, so that it will be an immediate and effective tool for defense of the other liberties we treasure: freedom to worship freely, freedom from oppression of any kind, the right to pursue the calling each of us feels we have without the government determining what it wants us to spend our lives doing, freedom to speak without censorship, etc. It is often said that America is the "home of the free" because it is the "land of the brave" and that "freedom isn't free."

**The use of the sword in the patriotic degree ceremonies reminds us that many of our brother knights defended the nation when called upon--even to the point of ultimate sacrifice of their lives to protect such freedoms. However, the true "ultimate" goal of all action is cooperation with the grace of God and seeking first His kingdom. The sword is never to be used for**

**oppression or greed--but for exactly the opposite: defending against such human temptations, both individually and nationally.**



During this season of Lent when we engage in personal sacrifices of fasting and abstinence, prayer and almsgiving, let us also remember in prayer those who have sacrificed in so many ways to give us the freedom to make the little sacrifices for God that we do for the next few weeks. Let us also treasure the sword and "keep it bright for liberty's sake" in our days as they did in theirs: so that each new generation will be blessed with the freedoms we treasure today.

**Lenten Blessings to you all and all with whom you live and work.**

**Fr. Patrick Dolan  
State Chaplain**

Monthly Update

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## State Warden Luke Williams



Brothers,  
Thank you to all the  
councils that  
participated in the  
Basketball Slam  
fundraiser which not  
only benefits the

State Disaster Relief fund but the  
council's who sold tickets. We had an  
interesting start but have finished strong.  
I should have totals to report in next  
month's Newsletter. Good Luck to all  
who purchased a ticket.

**With Spring and Lent, lots of you are  
busy with fundraisers and activities to  
support your parish and council.  
Remember to you enjoy the company  
of your brothers working beside you.  
He is a Blessing from God.**

I am looking forward to seeing a lot of  
you at the upcoming Convention in May. I  
wish all of you a Blessed Easter.

**Vivat Jesus,  
Luke A. Williams  
State Warden**

# State Membership Director

## Rick Arnold PSD

**If you BUILD it, they will COME!**

That is not only a line from a great movie, it is a true statement about our First Degree, now called the Membership Degree.

I challenge each Grand Knight in Kentucky to schedule a Membership Degree for your council within the next 30 days. There is no reason that any council cannot host their own degree. If you don't have a Degree Team or are short some manpower, please contact your District Deputy or me. We are ready, willing and able to help your council.

Once you have scheduled your Degree, work to make sure you have new members to attend. I have heard from several councils who have taken advantage of the Bishop's Call to Service letter with good success. It is not too late to use this program. If you need a copy of the letter for your diocese, just let me know.

**If you BUILD it, they will COME!**

**If you schedule it, they will COME!**

Peace be with you! and Vivat Jesus!

Rick Arnold PSD

Membership Chairman

# State Program Director

## Bill Schmidt PSD



**Brother Knights –**  
**I guess it is now time to officially panic – it is March! Let the madness commence. The deadline for submission for Program Director/State Deputy Award is fast approaching. Please get me your activity reports before March 31. Several councils have been great at sending their reports to me. If yours is one of those – Thank You!**

In March and April, councils should conduct programs such as 40 Cans for Lent, RCIA involvement, Founder's Day Celebration, Day of Prayer for the Unborn Child, and Fifth Sunday Rosary (Apr. 30<sup>th</sup>). Councils should be planning for programs to be conducted in May and June. Programs such as Adopt a Highway, Special Olympics, attending the State Convention, and Habitat for Humanity should be planned now.

As I mentioned in the beginning, the deadline for the Program Director and State Deputy Awards almost here. ***The deadline for your submissions is March 31<sup>st</sup>!*** You can't earn the award unless you report your activities. Email me a report as soon as possible. Be sure to include any pictures or other details that you find interesting or noteworthy.

**I would like to congratulate the following councils on having already earned Program Director status: 390 Louisville, 1004 Morganfield, 6743 Grayson County, 7847 Hopkinsville, 13053 Louisville, 13304**

**Lagrange, 15979 Louisville, and 16125 Knottsville. I know there are other councils that likely have earned the award, but I am probably lacking the information to award it, especially in the activity areas. If you believe you have earned this award, please contact me right away. I want every council to earn at the least the Program Director Award.**

The Columbian Award (SP-7) can be submitted to Supreme as soon as April 1<sup>st</sup>. As a reminder, ***the newest requirement to earn the Columbian Award is to report at least four activities from the Building the Domestic Church program.*** There are many opportunities to conduct one of these programs at your parishes in the next month. One way to easily achieve this is to purchase the Building the Domestic Church kiosk from Supreme and putting it in one of your parish churches. More information can be found at <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/domestic-church/parish-programs/cis.html>. Take advantage of these opportunities to ensure that you have earned the Columbian Award. If you are on track to earn the Star Council Award, it is extremely important that you schedule these programs now to ensure that you earn the Columbian Award. If you have any questions, please let me know.

## Schmidt cont.

Speaking of Star Council, congratulations to the following councils for already meeting their membership and insurance quotas towards Star Council: 5071 Corbin, 15211 Union, and 16232 Scottsville! Keep up the great work. The Star is within your grasp.

**Congratulations as well to the following councils that have met their membership quota but still need to meet their insurance quota: 390 Louisville, 6743 Grayson County, 10725 Owensboro, 11453 Aurora, 13053 Louisville, 15841 Louisville, 15914 Ft. Campbell, 16125 Knottsville, and 16179 Louisville. Please contact your Field Agent right away to put a strategy into motion on how to meet your Insurance requirement. There is still time to meet your quota, but it is ticking away very fast. There are many other councils that are on track to meet their membership quota as well. Keep going! The Star is within your reach as well.**

Lastly, congratulations to councils 1483 Frankfort, 14128 Somerset, 14234 Taylorsville, and 15613 Lexington for already meeting their insurance quota. With some effort, you can meet your membership goal to qualify for Star. Be sure to get all of your other required reports submitted right away.

As always, remember to use every program as an opportunity to invite a fellow Catholic gentleman to join the Knights of Columbus. Invite a friend to join us and be part of the programs your council has to offer.

**Fraternaly,  
Bill Schmidt, PSD  
General Program Director  
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270-259-2607**

Monthly Update

## District Master Gary Dykuis



**Worthy Faithful  
Navigators and  
Ladies,**

**March Events; March 1,  
1781, The Formal  
ratification of the  
Articles of  
Confederation was**

**announced by Congress. Under the Articles, Congress was the sole governing body of the new American national government, consisting of the 13 original states. The Articles remained in effect through the Revolutionary War until 1789, when the current U.S. Constitution was adopted**

March 1943, During World War II in the Pacific, a Japanese convoy was attacked by 137 American bombers as the Battle of Bismarck Sea began. The convoy included eight destroyers and eight transports carrying 7,000 Japanese soldiers heading toward New Guinea. Four destroyers and all eight transports were sunk, resulting in 3,500 Japanese drowned, ending Japanese efforts to send reinforcements to New Guinea.

Birthdays include; American band leader Glenn Miller (1904-1944) was born in Carilinda, Iowa. American soldier and politician Sam Houston (1793-1863) was born in Rockbridge County, Virginia. Telephone inventor Alexander Graham Bell (1847-1922) was born in Edinburgh, Scotland. Italian explorer Amerigo Vespucci (1451-1512) was born in Florence, Italy. He explored South America and the Amazon River, believing he had discovered a new continent. In 1507, a German mapmaker first referred to the lands discovered in the New World as America. James Madison (1751-1836) the 4th U.S. President was born in Port Conway, Virginia.

March 1836, Fort Alamo fell to Mexican troops led by General Santa Anna. The Mexicans had begun the siege of the Texas fort on February 23rd, ending it with the killing of the last defender. "Remember the Alamo" became a rallying cry for Texans who went on to defeat Santa Anna in the Battle of San Jacinto in April.

**Next Exemplification: April 22, 2017, All Saints Assembly, Alexandria, KY. The planning is done and the information is on the Kentucky Website. This Exemplification will be held in the Covington Diocese. This will be the last Exemplification for this Fraternal Year. The new Year starts July 1, and I hope to have an Exemplification in each of the Diocese of Kentucky. If your Assembly would like to sponsor an Exemplification, please let me know.**

**Please help the Kentucky District with new Sir Knights. You can do this by assisting your council holding; First Degree - Admission Degrees, Second Degree - Formation Degrees, and Third Degree - Knighthood Degrees.**

There are a large number First Degree members of our order that need to be advanced to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degrees. These are members that would make Great Council Officers and Sir Knights. The State Calendar for both March and April is empty. I know March is College Basketball, but as Sir Knights, we should be having Admission – First Degrees at our council meetings. Yes, the Council can use the DVD, as works great.

**Vivat Jesus,  
SK Gary Dykhuis,**

Monthly Update

# General Agent

## Darrell Swope

### The Knights of Columbus Guarantees

3/2/2017

These days, in the midst of a volatile market and an unsettled economy, there's too much left to chance. In an ideal world, every product would come with clear-cut guarantees that would put you at ease and eliminate the guesswork, or at least some of it.

The reality is that guarantees are hard to come by. But not for the Knights of Columbus.

Here are eight guarantees from the Knights of Columbus that you and your family can count on when you do business with the Knights.

#### **We guarantee the cash value in your whole life insurance.**

The beauty of whole life — or permanent — insurance is that it is truly permanent. It's a way to insure your life for life. That's true not only of the death benefit but also of the cash value, which is guaranteed provided that you continue to pay premiums according to the contract.

#### **We guarantee the rates on your level term insurance.**

Our level term policies are predictable. Your rates as laid out in your contract will not change. No surprises — just reliable, affordable coverage.

#### **We guarantee a minimum interest rate on your retirement annuity.**

Your retirement is not something worth leaving up to

chance. A Knights of Columbus annuity can help to remove some of the uncertainty. Your contract includes a guaranteed interest rate that you will continue to earn for the life of the contract. The actual rate you earn may be greater than that — and often is — but it will never be lower.

#### **We guarantee the principal on your retirement annuity.**

Not only will the rate on your Knights of Columbus retirement annuity never fall below your guaranteed minimum, the principal in your Knights of Columbus annuity will never decrease, guaranteed. If you put \$10,000 into your annuity, the value in your account — before you begin to withdraw funds — will never drop below \$10,000. If you put \$20,000 in, it will never drop below \$20,000. Quite simply, unless you execute an early surrender or withdrawal, you will never lose money on a Knights of Columbus annuity.

#### **We guarantee an income stream for life.**

With a properly structured Knights of Columbus annuity, you can be assured of a guaranteed income stream for as long as





## Swope cont.

25 years into retirement, by working with your Knights of Columbus field agent, you can be assured that you will have guaranteed income during each of those years.

### **We guarantee high-quality, professional services.**

We're not just an insurance company — we're an insurance company for brother Knights, run by brother Knights. We pride ourselves on the quality of service that we provide to members and their families. Our dedicated, full-time professional agents will be there for you and your family whenever you call on them.

### **We guarantee not to purchase “junk” bonds or derivatives.**

We do not take our brother Knights' financial futures lightly. We invest carefully and make business decisions motivated not by profit or greed, but by service and commitment. Our safety, security and fiscal responsibility are the principle reasons why we have earned A.M. Best's highest financial strength rating, A++ (Superior), for 41 consecutive years.

### **We guarantee not to invest in companies that deal in abortions,**

### **contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of the aforementioned, and pornography.**

The Knights of Columbus is Catholic both professionally and fraternally. Our faith informs our work at every level, including the evaluation of each investment we make. Father McGivney wouldn't have wanted it any other way.

The Knights of Columbus should be different than all other insurance companies — and we are. We are looking out for you in a way that no other company can because we're your brothers.

So join the hundreds of thousands of brother Knights who have chosen to help protect their future with the Knights of Columbus. Talk to your agent and see what options are available to you and your family.

**To find your agent, Email Darrell Swope at [Darrell.Swope@kofc.org](mailto:Darrell.Swope@kofc.org) or call 859-421-6164.**

## Upcoming Events

### March

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