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My heart hath rejoiced in
God my Savior, because He
that is mighty hath done
great things for me.

The month of August is dedicated to [The Immaculate Heart of Mary](#). The entire month falls within the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time. The last portion of the liturgical year represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for reward.

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Fifth Sunday Dress Out

The members of the Owensboro Assembly 2074, were invited to Precious Blood Church for a 5th Sunday celebration. They are pictured outside church with the pastor Father Suneesh Mathew.



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Trash for Cash

Various members of the Knottsville KofC #16125 picked up 350lbs of trash to raise \$600 for various charities.



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LMPD Detective Amber Koenig honored for her Exceptional Community Service

Congratulations to Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) Homicide Detective Amber Koenig (Left) on receiving the 2018 Marsy's Law for Kentucky Distinction in Victim Services Award for her Victim-Centered approach and going above & beyond for Survivors. The Award was presented by Ashlea Elaine Christiansen (Right), State Director/Counsel at Marsy's Law for Kentucky. Amber was nominated by Maj. Todd Kessinger, LMPD Major Crimes Division.

Detective Amber Koenig consistently demonstrates a victim-centered approach with major crime victims and the surviving family members of both homicide & suicide. She does so by collaborating with community organizations to effectively provide support services, leading a long-term support group, and going above and beyond to do things like collect holiday gifts for families who have recently lost parents. She loves her job and it shows.

Mrs. Amber Koenig is the mother of six (6) and her husband, StMM KofC #15979 Grand Knight Mike Koenig, could NOT be prouder, especially now that they are happily expecting their Seventh child.



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FRATERNAL STRUCTURE

IN THE PAST 135 YEARS THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAS ENJOYED MANY SUCCESSES. THESE ARE A CREDIT TO THE UNIQUE STRUCTURE UNDER WHICH OUR ORDER OPERATES AND THE CALIBER OF MEN ATTRACTED TO OUR RANKS.

THE ORDER'S TIME-PROVEN STRUCTURE IS THE BASIS OF A STRONG AND EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATION AT ALL LEVELS OF OPERATION (COUNCIL, DISTRICT, STATE AND SUPREME). IT ENCOURAGES MEMBER INVOLVEMENT IN A WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVITIES AND IS THE MECHANISM BY WHICH WE PROMOTE GROWTH IN MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT, NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT, AND CHARITABLE OUTREACH.

FOUNDED BY THE VENERABLE MICHAEL MCGIVNEY, A PRIEST AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH IN NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WAS CHARTERED AS A FRATERNAL BENEFIT SOCIETY ON MARCH 29, 1882. AS SUCH, IT PROVIDED FOR THE LIFE INSURANCE NEEDS OF ITS MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTED FRATERNITY AND BROTHERHOOD THROUGH MANY CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL AND RELIGIOUS INVOLVEMENTS. IT CONTINUES TO DO SO TODAY.

THE ORDER OPERATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS RELATING TO FRATERNAL BENEFIT SOCIETIES. THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE A REPRESENTATIVE FORM OF GOVERNMENT COMPRISED OF A SUPREME OR LEGISLATIVE BODY AND SUBORDINATE BRANCHES. MEMBERS ARE ELECTED, INITIATED AND ADMITTED INTO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN KEEPING WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ITS CHARTER, CONSTITUTION AND LAWS.

THERE ARE FOUR MAJOR LEVELS OF OPERATION IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS; THE SUPREME COUNCIL, THE VARIOUS STATE COUNCILS, DISTRICTS AND THE MORE THAN 15,000 SUBORDINATE LOCAL COUNCILS.

JUST AS ONE CLIMBS THE STEPS FROM THE GROUND FLOOR (WHICH SUPPORTS THE WHOLE STRUCTURE) SO IT IS WITH THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, THE FIRST STEP IS THE LOCAL COUNCIL.

CHARTERS

ESTABLISHING LOCAL COUNCILS ARE GRANTED UPON SUBMISSION OF A ROSTER OF AT LEAST 30 MEMBERS OR APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP (20 FOR NEW COUNCILS IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA). THE PRESIDING OFFICER IS THE GRAND KNIGHT. AS THE CHIEF OFFICER OF THE COUNCIL, HE IS CHARGED WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF OBSERVING THE LAWS OF THE ORDER IN HIS COUNCIL. IN ADDITION, THE GRAND KNIGHT IS THE CHOSEN LEADER OF HIS COUNCIL AND, AS SUCH, IS EXPECTED TO PROVIDE THE LEADERSHIP NEEDED.

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TITLES OF OTHER OFFICERS ARE SIMILAR TO THOSE OFFICERS ON THE SUPREME AND STATE COUNCIL LEVEL, WITH SOME ADDITIONS. IN ALL THERE ARE 17 COUNCIL LEADERS, 12 OF WHOM ARE ELECTED ANNUALLY BY THE MEMBERSHIP.

THREE ARE APPOINTED BY THE GRAND KNIGHT, INCLUDING A PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR. THESE TWO DIRECTORS ARE GIVEN THE TASK OF IMPLEMENTING THE "FAITH IN ACTION" PROGRAM AND ENSURING MEMBERSHIP GROWTH IN THE COUNCIL. THEY APPOINT ADDITIONAL DIRECTORS (FAITH, COMMUNITY, FAMILY AND LIFE) WHO SUPERVISE THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES CHARGED WITH COUNCIL PROJECTS AS WELL AS MEMBERSHIP. RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION. EVERY NEW KNIGHT IS ENCOURAGED TO BECOME ACTIVE IN HIS COUNCIL BY SERVING ON ONE OR MORE OF THESE COMMITTEES.

"FAITH IN ACTION" IS A PROGRAM THROUGH WHICH LOCAL AND STATE COUNCILS CAN PUT INTO OPERATION MANY NEEDED PROGRAMS BY UTILIZING THE TALENTS AND ABILITIES OF THE MEMBERSHIP. FLEXIBILITY ALLOWS LOCAL AND STATE SELECTION OF ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST TO THE MEMBERS. MANUALS AND HANDBOOKS ARE PROVIDED BY THE SUPREME COUNCIL TO THE KNIGHTS SELECTED FOR THE VARIOUS DIRECTOR POSITIONS, AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE ORDER'S WEB SITE, KOFC.ORG

AN INFORMED AND ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IS THE GOAL OF EVERY COUNCIL. THE SERVICE PROGRAM IS A MEANS TO THAT END. THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR OVERSEES THE WORK NECESSARY FOR RETENTION OF MEMBERS AND RECRUITMENT OF NEW KNIGHTS. MAKING MEMBERS AWARE OF THE INSURANCE PROGRAM IS ANOTHER RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR IN COOPERATION WITH THE COUNCIL'S PROFESSIONAL FIELD AGENT. THE APPOINTMENT OF A COUNCIL CHAPLAIN AND A FINANCIAL SECRETARY COMPLETES THE ROSTER OF COUNCIL OFFICERS. THE RECOMMENDATION OF A COUNCIL CHAPLAIN BY THE GRAND KNIGHT, DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT AND THE TRUSTEES MUST BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANY RULES ESTABLISHED BY THE BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE IN WHICH THE COUNCIL IS LOCATED. IT IS CUSTOMARY THAT THE BISHOP WILL ANNOUNCE THE APPOINTMENT AS SOON AS A SELECTION HAS BEEN MADE.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY IS APPOINTED BY THE SUPREME KNIGHT AND SERVES A TERM OF THREE YEARS AFTER WHICH AN EVALUATION OF HIS PERFORMANCE IN THE OFFICE WILL BE MADE BY THE GRAND KNIGHT AND TRUSTEES BEFORE CONSIDERATION CAN BE GIVEN TO REAPPOINTMENT TO ANOTHER TERM. DISTRICTS TO MAKE ADMINISTRATION EASIER AND TO PROMOTE INCREASED ACTIVITY, SUBORDINATE COUNCILS – GENERALLY FOUR TO FIVE WITHIN A GIVEN GEOGRAPHIC AREA – ARE FORMED INTO DISTRICTS, THE SECOND STEP OF OUR FRATERNAL STRUCTURE. A DISTRICT IS SUPERVISED BY A DISTRICT DEPUTY. HIS RESPONSIBILITY IS TO OVERSEE ALL ASPECTS OF THE DISTRICT OPERATION, PARTICULARLY AS IT PERTAINS TO COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION, CHARITABLE OUTREACH AND MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT. THE DISTRICT DEPUTY SERVES A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SUPREME KNIGHT, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE STATE DEPUTY TO THE LOCAL COUNCILS.

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THE KNIGHT SELECTED AS A DISTRICT DEPUTY, USUALLY A PAST GRAND KNIGHT, IS AN INTELLIGENT, REPRESENTATIVE CATHOLIC WHO IS RECOGNIZED IN THE COMMUNITY AS AN OUTSTANDING LEADER. HE INSPIRES IN THE MEMBERSHIP JUSTIFIABLE PRIDE IN THE ORDER AND ITS OFFICERS. THE DISTRICT DEPUTY IS A PERSON THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH THE PROGRAMS OF THE SUPREME AND THE STATE COUNCILS AND IS ALWAYS READY AND WILLING TO INTERPRET THESE PROGRAMS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COUNCILS IN HIS DISTRICT. THE DIRECTION THAT COUNCILS TAKE IN PROGRAMMING AND MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION DEPENDS IN A LARGE PART ON THE GUIDANCE OFFERED BY THE DISTRICT DEPUTY. FOR THE ORDER TO ACHIEVE ITS GOALS, COUNCILS MUST BE SUPPORTED WHOLEHEARTEDLY BY THE DISTRICT DEPUTY.

STATE COUNCIL

THE THIRD STEP IN THE PYRAMID ARE THE JURISDICTIONS KNOWN AS STATE COUNCILS. THESE ENCOMPASS MORE THAN 15,000 SUBORDINATE COUNCILS TO WHICH OVER 1.9 MILLION MEMBERS BELONG. BOTH MEMBERSHIP AND COUNCIL GROWTH HAVE SHOWN SIGNIFICANT GAINS, PARTICULARLY OVER THE PAST 30 PLUS YEARS. THE STATE COUNCILS ARE MADE UP OF THE STATE DEPUTY AND THE OTHER STATE OFFICERS (CHAPLAIN, SECRETARY, TREASURER, ADVOCATE AND WARDEN), THE LAST LIVING PAST STATE DEPUTY, THE GRAND KNIGHT AND A PAST GRAND KNIGHT FROM EACH LOCAL COUNCIL IN THE JURISDICTION. THE STATE COUNCIL MEETS ANNUALLY TO ELECT A SLATE OF OFFICERS HEADED BY THE STATE DEPUTY, ELECT DELEGATES TO THE SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING, AND CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF THE ORDER WITHIN THE JURISDICTION.

THE STATE DEPUTY IS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE ORDER IN HIS JURISDICTION. AS SUCH, HE IS CHARGED WITH THE DUTY OF ENFORCING THE LAWS AND POLICIES AND PROMOTING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE ORDER IN HIS JURISDICTION. HE PRESIDES AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE STATE COUNCIL AND IS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF ALL COMMITTEES OF THE STATE COUNCIL. IN ADDITION, HE HOLDS ALL THE RIGHTS AND POWERS GRANTED BY THE LAWS OF THE ORDER TO DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

AT THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION, THE STATE DEPUTY MAKES A WRITTEN REPORT ON THE CONDITION OF THE ORDER IN THE JURISDICTION AND DELIVERS THE REPORT ORALLY DURING THE FIRST OFFICIAL SESSION OF THE MEETING. THE STATE DEPUTY IS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE SUPREME KNIGHT AND HAS SUPERVISION OVER ALL OF THE LOCAL COUNCILS WITHIN HIS JURISDICTION. THE SUCCESS, THEREFORE, OF THE ORDER'S PROGRAMS WITHIN THE STATE DEPENDS UPON HIS TALENT, ENERGY AND DEVOTION TO THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE.

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SUPREME COUNCIL

THE SUPREME COUNCIL, THE ORDER'S TOP LEGISLATIVE BODY, IS COMPOSED OF THE SUPREME OFFICERS (SUPREME KNIGHT, SUPREME CHAPLAIN, DEPUTY SUPREME KNIGHT, SUPREME SECRETARY, SUPREME TREASURER, SUPREME ADVOCATE, SUPREME PHYSICIAN AND SUPREME WARDEN), SUPREME DIRECTORS AND LIVING PAST SUPREME KNIGHTS. DIRECTORS ARE ELECTED FOR THREE-YEAR TERMS BY DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING. SUPREME COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP ALSO INCLUDES THE STATE DEPUTY AND THE LAST LIVING PAST STATE DEPUTY OF EACH STATE COUNCIL AND SUCH DELEGATES AS ARE DULY CHOSEN BY THE STATE COUNCILS. EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY IS VESTED IN THE SUPREME OFFICERS WHO ARE ELECTED ANNUALLY BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

EACH YEAR BEGINNING ON THE FIRST TUESDAY IN AUGUST, THE ANNUAL SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING IS HELD. AT THE SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING, THE DELEGATES ELECTED AT THE VARIOUS STATE CONVENTIONS DISCUSS AND DECIDE WHAT PROJECTS, ADDITIONAL LAWS, OR ACTIVITIES WILL BENEFIT THE ORDER'S MEMBERSHIP. THE DEMOCRATIC STRUCTURE OF THE ORDER ALSO PROVIDES THAT NON-DELEGATE MEMBERS MAY ATTEND THE SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING, ALTHOUGH THEY MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCEEDINGS. THIS PRIVILEGE IS RESERVED TO THE ELECTED DELEGATES, WHO ARE THE STATE AND LOCAL COUNCIL VOICE AT THE MEETING. AT EACH ANNUAL SUPREME COUNCIL MEETING, THE SUPREME COUNCIL ELECTS EIGHT INSURANCE MEMBERS TO SERVE AS DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS EACH. AS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSISTS OF TWENTY-FOUR INSURANCE MEMBERS, THE SUPREME CHAPLAIN, AND LIVING PAST SUPREME KNIGHTS

ANNUALLY, AT ITS FIRST REGULAR MEETING HELD ON OR AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTS A SUPREME CHAPLAIN AND A SUPREME WARDEN. AT THIS SAME MEETING, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPOINTS THE SUPREME KNIGHT, THE DEPUTY SUPREME KNIGHT, THE SUPREME SECRETARY, THE SUPREME TREASURER, THE SUPREME ADVOCATE AND THE SUPREME PHYSICIAN FROM THEIR OWN RANKS. THESE SUPREME OFFICERS SERVE FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAS A PROUD HISTORY OF ACHIEVEMENT DUE IN NO SMALL PART TO ITS STRUCTURE – A STRUCTURE THAT INVITES AND MOTIVATES MEMBERS ON ALL LEVELS OF OPERATION. THE RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL FRATERNAL SURVEY ATTEST TO THIS. THE EXTENT TO WHICH OUR ORDER AND ITS MEMBERS INVOLVE THEMSELVES BOTH IN DOLLAR CONTRIBUTIONS AND IN HOURS OF LABOR VOLUNTEERED REFLECTS POSITIVELY ON OUR STRUCTURE. THE ORDER CONTINUES TO GROW AND WILL DO SO IN THE FUTURE - THANKS O OUR STRUCTURE AND THE MEN WHO ARE A PART OF IT ALL!

VIVAT JESUS!

Article from Supreme Website

Formatted and submitted by Bill Hancock, PSD, FDM State Historian

State Deputy

Cameron Peck



Brothers,

Our first month of the new fraternal year was a success. The Organizational Meeting went well despite the weather and our online membership initiative is beginning to take off.

First, I would like to talk about the Organizational Meeting. We had some serious storms starting Friday night and continuing throughout the weekend. But clearly, God was on our side. The hotel did not lose power even though about half a mile away, the UK Research Farm was without power. It was unfortunate for our State Secretary who lives on that farm. Also, the church where we had the Mass, Installation of Officers, and the Banquet had power even though the Rectory about 2 blocks away was dark. We were lucky indeed. I would like to thank everyone for attending the meeting. But especially the members that attended even though they did not have power at home. That was a big sacrifice and I truly appreciate it. We had a fantastic turnout for both Saturday and Sunday. Saturday, we had all but three District Deputies there and on Sunday we had to have extra chairs brought into the meeting rooms because the turnout was better than expected. Needless to say, this is very encouraging.

The second big success this month is the fact that the new online membership initiative is going so well. As I write this, we are just short of the end of the month and we have already brought in nine men in as online members. The best part is that eight of these men have expressed an interest in joining a council. In fact, three of these men are going to be joining the Corbin Council this next month. Corbin will have achieved 3/4 of their membership quota in the first two months by utilizing the online membership program. What a great opportunity! Most of the men that become online members want to continue on and join local councils. When one of these men comes to your council meeting, please make him feel welcome. The fact that he took time out of his evening to come to the meeting means he is looking to find out if the council would be a good fit for him.

Vivat Jesus,

Cameron Peck

State Deputy

State Secretary

Steve Zanone



Brother Knights,

Thank you to everyone who attended the Organizational meeting. Having to add chairs in the meeting rooms was an outstanding problem to have. I hope that you enjoyed your time with us, and I am looking forward to your councils implementing the new service program. I expect to see great results as soon as we adjust to the new package.

The week of August 13, please watch your email for new member billing for the period from January through June of 2018. I apologize for the delay. I am updating the database for Grand Knight and Financial Secretaries one more time before I run the billing program. Gentlemen, we must do a better job of submitting our directory information on time. Please, if you haven't submitted this information yet, we desperately need it.

Next week the State Officers will attend the Supreme Convention in Baltimore, Maryland. I encourage anyone who has the opportunity to watch some of the coverage on EWTN. The opening Mass will be beautiful. It will be worth your time to watch. Please pray for us to have safe travel to and from the convention. As always, if you need my assistance feel free to contact me. If I cannot help you myself, chances are I will know who can help you.

VJ,

Steve Zanone,

State Secretary

State Treasurer

Tom Johnson



If you missed it...YOU MISSED IT!

I'm talking about the State Organizational Meeting this past month in Lexington. What a great turnout! There were 21 of 24 DDs present on both Saturday and Sunday. There was an overflowing and overwhelming number of councils and their leaders present on Sunday. Past State Deputy and current MPC Dannie Harris was our Supreme Representative this year and what a great job he did with the DD training. We had a large number of Past State Deputies present as well. We started both meeting days with a Rosary and offered our prayers for PSD Gerald Roof. The information and meeting format was well received by all.

As the saying goes...you can take the horse to water but you can't make it drink. The same goes for you...if you choose not to attend the meetings offered by the State Council, then there is little we can do to help you. Fellows we're here for you. We want you to succeed. Allow us to help you.

Supreme Convention:

This year's Supreme Convention will be held in Baltimore, MD from August 6th through August 9th, 2018. There is something to be said about being with several thousand Catholics, over a four day period, coming together from around the world giving Praise to God and sharing a common bond that is the Knights of Columbus. Congratulations to Blessed Trinity Council 15181 for winning the International Pro-Life Award! The Grand Knight and his wife have been invited to attend this year's Supreme Convention. Next year's Supreme Convention will be in Minneapolis, MN. Maybe we'll see you there!

Treasurer Report:

My first month as treasurer is under my belt. With the help and guidance of the SD and SS I've managed to process a large number of vouchers, print a few checks and even make a deposit all without crashing the software. Now that August is here I will be closing out the month of July and reconciling with the bank. Wish me luck!

Mid-Year Meetings:

Mid-Year meetings will be coming up in September. Please look at the KY State website for a meeting near you.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom Johnson

State Treasurer

State Advocate

Luke A. Williams



Brothers,

It was great to see so many of you at the Organizational Meeting in Lexington. I feel we are off to a successful year across the Kentucky State Jurisdiction.

As of July 30th, we currently have 33 councils showing as not having a form #185 "Report of Officers Chosen" for the new fraternal year turned into Supreme. Thanks to all the councils who have completed this very important document. Please contact your District Deputy, or myself if you have any questions.

The next report due to supreme is the **Service Program Personnel Report #365 which was due by August 1st. At this point, we have 81 councils to go to reach 100% submittal of the #365. This form is important for Supreme to be able to send valuable training tools, invitations to webinars and other important KofC information to persons listed on this form. If you can, let your Grand Knight know you are interested in helping out by serving in a position listed on the form #365. To see the form #365 and many more, go to this link at the Supreme Council website.**

<https://www.kofc.org/en/members/resources/forms/council.html>

The **Semiannual Council Audit #1295 which is due August 15th is important to help with a good snapshot of how your council is doing. This document is filled out by the councils Financial Secretary and Treasurer and signed after review by the Grand Knight and 3 Trustees. At the bottom of the August form # 1295, there is a reminder to fill make sure a Form 990 has been filed with the IRS. Most of our councils do a great job turning in this form and the IRS 990 document.**

We had a great response at the Organizational Meeting with councils filling out the Partnership Profile Report with Special Olympics form #4584. These forms are being submitted to Supreme. As I mentioned in last month's Newsletter, Special Olympics is celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year and even if your council does not have any sponsored functions, it is important to fill out the form and submit even if there are no activities or monies donated by the council to Special Olympics. Take a look at the Partnership Profile Report at

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/olympics_ques4584_p.pdf

Please try to attend one of the State Regional Meetings to be held in the 4 Kentucky Dioceses on September 8, 9, 15, and 16. If you miss the one for your diocese, you can always go to one of the other meetings.

Don't forget to check out the Knights of Columbus Catholic Information Service (CIS). It is a great resource for the Catechism Of The Catholic Church, Faith Formation Courses, CIS Booklets, Catholic Prayer, Devotions and facts. Check out the CIS stuff at this website...

<http://www.kofc.org/un/en/cis/index.html> .

State Advocate

Luke A. Williams (cont.)



This last KY General Assembly session, the State Sales Tax Statute was changed and it has created some questions. I have been asked by some Knights how the KY Councils will be affected by the changes. I have sent out a general response to District Deputies, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries that any questions about council fundraising activities be directed towards a qualified tax expert. I will say that the Knights of Columbus is a 501c8 organization. It is subject to state tax laws unless specifically exempted by law and this office is not qualified to give out any tax advice, so I won't. I do advise your council to contact a tax expert on the subject of what is taxable, And the requirements for collections and payment to the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

I thank you for the opportunity to represent the Commonwealth of Kentucky at the 136th Supreme Convention in Baltimore August 7-9. I look forward to seeing all of you soon so I can show you pictures of my Grandkids or if you want, fish I caught from my last excursion.

Keep the faith, pray for the strength and courage to do God's will.

Vivat Jesus,

Luke A. Williams

State Advocate

State Warden

Dick Burns



Brothers,

It was great to see old friends again and making new friends at the Organizational Meeting as your new State Warden. Thanks to all who continue to serve in their old roles and to those who stepped up to take on new challenges in the service of the Order!

NFL Sweepstakes ticket packages were distributed at the Organizational Meeting. Those of you who weren't there will either get their packets from your DD or it'll come in the mail. If you don't see it, send me a note. We sold over 4,000 tickets last year, so over \$24,000 went back 50/50 to Kentucky State Charities! Ask about them at your council meetings – buy two and register on line for a free third ticket. All Councils who sell at least 25 tickets get 25 points toward the highly coveted 98 Proof State Deputy Award. Let's try to outdo last year!



This year's State Pin designed by State Deputy Cameron Peck was unveiled at the Organizational Meeting and it's one of the best yet, displaying the iconic twin spires of Churchill Downs. They'll be available at the regional meetings coming up in September. Ask your GK to pick one up for you.

Membership growth is starting to pick up some traction after a very slow start. I'm continuing to try to do my part in contributing. I'm going to take advantage of Online Membership when I can. I tried it on a couple of guys I've had trouble tying down in mind to get to a First Degree. One of them at least said he'd definitely look into it.

If each Knight asks 4 men a year to join the Order, and only one of them says yes, you'll still double the size of your council. If you don't ask, you don't grow.

Vivat Jesus!

Dick Burns

State Warden

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For we are His handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them. Eph 2:10

General Program Director

Bill Schmidt PSD



Brother Knights –

First, I would like to thank everyone that made it to the Organizational Meeting in Lexington in July. The turnout was fantastic. With all of the new programs and on-line membership coming into play this year, councils that are educated of the new programs will have the best chance for success. If you missed out, there will be more opportunities to learn. The Supreme and State websites are your best resources for information right now. Search for “Faith in Action” and “Online Membership” at www.kofc.org; and look for copies of the presentations given at the Organizational Meeting at www.kykofc.com.



In September the Organizational Meetings will be held again in each of the dioceses. This will be your best opportunity to learn more about the “Faith in Action” programs and to ask questions in person. I strongly urge you to attend this meeting, especially if you are a Program Director. The information you bring home with you will be invaluable. Check the State calendar at <http://kykofc.com/calendar/> to find the Regional Meeting closest to you.

As a reminder, we will be holding unified statewide programs this year. The first one is coming very soon and you need to start planning for it now. All councils are asked to hold a Food Drive between September 17th and 23rd. Councils should donate the food to a local food bank following the drive. When your drive is complete, please notify me or the State Deputy and report out on how much food was donated and to whom the donation was made. The State Deputy will use this information to report out on the success of our unified program in the name of Charity. I urge every council to make this one of your first programs that you run this year.

General Program Director

Bill Schmidt PSD (cont.)



Hopefully you have your program calendar nearly complete for the year. Plan all of your activities and be sure to include the Mandatory Programs from “Faith in Action”. These are required for a council to be awarded the Columbian Award or the Star Council Award. If you have any questions or need any help, consult your District Deputy or feel free to contact me. Let’s make this year the best ever for your council.

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.

Fraternally,

Bill Schmidt, PSD

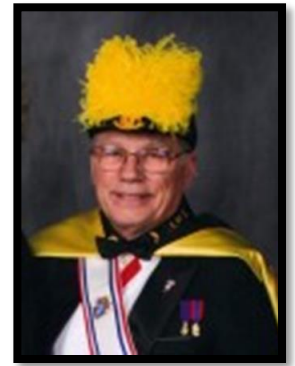
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District Master

Gary Dykuis



Worthy Navigators and Ladies,

This is probably going to be my last newsletter, After almost five years as the Kentucky District Master, it is my turn to be a Former Master, on September 1, 2018.

I would like to thank the Degree Team for being with me during this time. The District Friar, Father Gary T. Padgett, a wonderful Advisor and a fun person to be with. The Degree Captain, SK John Smith, who recruited his own replacement, SK Tim Gahlinger, who stepped in and did a great Job. Tim was also the Historian. SK David Hall, The Defender of the Faith, a Great patriot, as he is very involved with VFW. SK George Hayes, The Narrator, one of the best on the team.

SK Paul Martin, The Expositor of the Constitution, always there, an outstanding Knight. SK Charlie Davis, The Registrar, a Great leader and great singer. SK Kevin Huber, the District Marshal, along with SK Joseph Schmidt also a District Marshall, did an outstanding job at all our Exemplifications.

I would have been lost, if wasn't for SK Bill Schmidt and Lady Kim. They came to the rescue, as I was trying to do both the District Master Job and the Secretary's job. I owe them greatly, for both advice and counsel. They put up with a lot that I came up with, again Thanks Bill and Kim, Love you.

At the present time, I don't know who will be the next Kentucky District Master. I hope that you will give him the support and prayers that you have given me. There will be two new Masters in the Fr. Edward F. Sorin, C.S.C. Province, one in Kentucky and one in Indiana. West Virginia will stay. Both Vice-Supreme Masters, Gerald Schmidt and Charles Whitcraft have been great helping me with being the Kentucky District Master. They have guided me on this long journey, along with the Supreme Master, Dennis Stoddard.

Fraternally,

SK Gary Dykhuis

Kentucky District Master

General Agent Darrell Swope



Ten Questions All Catholics Should Ask Their Insurance Company

Not sure if your insurance carrier lines up with your values? Ask these 10 questions:

1. Does my company promote Catholic values?
2. Does it protect the unborn?
3. Does it work to combat human cloning and embryonic stem cell research?
4. Does it provide funds to build schools for AIDS orphans?
5. Does it pay for clean drinking water wells for communities in Africa?
6. Does it help finance the distribution of warm winter coats to children in need?
7. Does it partner with Special Olympics International?
8. Does it promote and support vocations for priests and religious life?
9. Does it annually support Catholic media like EWTN and Salt + Light Television?
10. Does it support the Holy Father's charities?

If items like these are important to you and your family, now is the time to buy insurance from a company that feels the same.

Pope Francis is the latest beneficiary of the Knights of Columbus insurance program. While at the Vatican last week for a meeting of the Pontifical Academy for Life, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson presented a check for more than \$110,000 to Pope Francis on behalf of a recently deceased priest who was a 45-year member of the Knights. Supreme Knight Anderson explained to the Pope that the priest designated the Holy Father as a beneficiary of his Knights of Columbus life insurance and annuity policies as a sign of his "solidarity with the Bishop of Rome and desire to support your charitable concerns." After the meeting, the supreme knight added, "Every day our insurance products help our members take care of their families. I can't think of a better way for a priest to take care of his family — the Church."

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Scheduled Events

Check the State Council Calendar at www.kyko fc.com for more details.

Tue Aug 14, 2018

6:45pm - 7:30pm Council 1315 1st degree 6:45 PM CENTRAL Where: Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 4754 Smallhouse Rd, Bowling Green, KY 42104, USA

Sat Aug 18, 2018

7:30am - 4:30pm 2018 Tom Wiseman Memorial Open Golf Scramble 7:30am Eastern Where: Bright Leaf Golf Resort, 1742 Danville Rd, Harrodsburg, KY 40330, USA

Sat Sep 1, 2018

9am - 4pm 15th Annual 2018 Four Person Golf Scramble 8am Central Where: Western Hills Municipal Golf, 2160 Russellville Rd, Hopkinsville, KY 42240, USA

Sat Sep 8, 2018

9am - 1pm K of C Regional meeting Western Ky

6pm - 9pm Trivia Challenge to benefit Franciscan Kitchen Where: 4417 River Rd, Louisville, KY 40222, USA

Sun Sep 9, 2018

9am - 1pm K of C Regional meeting Louisville KY Where: St. Teresa of Calcutta Church, Fairdale, KY

Tue Sep 11, 2018

6:45pm - 7:30pm Council 1315 1st degree 6:45 PM CENTRAL Where: Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 4754 Smallhouse Rd, Bowling Green, KY 42104, USA

Sat Sep 15, 2018

9am - 1pm K of C Regional meeting NKY Where: Acree Hall at IHM in Burlington

Sun Sep 16, 2018

9am - 1pm K of C Regional meeting Lexington KY Where: Cathedral of Christ the King, 299 Colony Blvd, Lexington, KY 40502, USA