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STATE DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

Brothers, we have the opportunity to be the best version of ourselves this year. We are on our way to success, keep up the good work.

Steve Zanone



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NEWSLETTER



OK Dick Barner of Fr. William Dierker Council 13304 in La Grange, KY presents LittleWay Executive Director, Ellen Wichmann, with a \$4,266.50 donation raised from the recent Baby Bottle Boomerang Drive at Immaculate Conception Church. Ellen & Dick thank the many and generous Parishioners at IC who have donated to this worthy effort which helps to allow LittleWay to continue their life saving work, e.g. Free pregnancy services, baby closet supplies, post-abortion healing, purity program in 40+ schools, etc.



STATE DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the new fraternal year. This will be an exciting one, as we emerge from the darkness of Covid restrictions and the absence of church and social activities and return to the light which is the mission given to us by our founder Blessed Michael McGroarty. It is our duty to assist our Church in winning our brothers and sisters to the Sacraments. Let us strive in all we do to complete this mission. Families are hungry for a means to live their faith with like minded people. Kentucky Knights of Columbus, let us prove that we are indeed the "Strong Right Arm of the Church". Let us go forth and do good works, increase our numbers, and continue the work of our founder!

Steve Zanone

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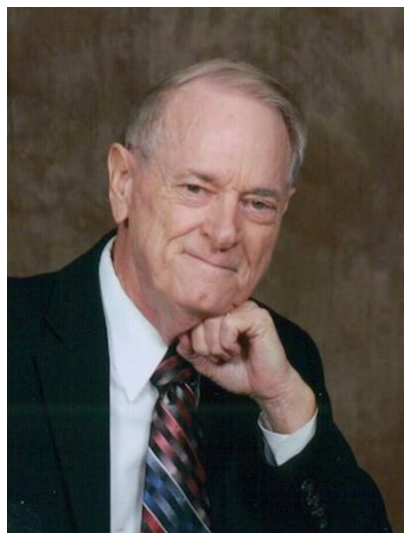
IN MEMORY OF PAST STATE DEPUTY ALBIN E. STOECKLE



Albin “Al” Stoeckle served as Kentucky State Deputy from July 1, 1982 until June 30, 1984. He also served as District Master. Below is a copy of his obituary.

Park Hills – Albin “Al” Edmund Stoeckle, 96 of Park Hills, Kentucky passed away on October 13, 2021. Al was a Marine veteran of WWII serving at Pearl Harbor during the war. Al spent his working career as a sales representative for numerous toy manufacturers and was affectionately known as “Uncle Al the kiddies Pal”. He was a parishioner of St. Agnes Church for over 35 years, then at St. Edward’s Church in Owenton and finally Good Shepherd Church in Frankfort. Al was an avid golfer who finally gave up the game at the age of 93. He was a Past State Deputy of the Knights of Columbus as well as a former State Master. He was a member of the VFW, and the Greater Cincinnati Model Railroad Club. Al is preceded in death by his wife Marilyn Stoeckle (Suhre) and Darlene Stoeckle (Hawkins). He is survived by his children Deacon Bob Stoeckle (Millie), Nancy Shibuya (Steve), David Stoeckle (Mary), and Michael Stoeckle (Jayne). Al is leaving behind 9 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. Visitation will be Monday, October 25, 2021 from 4:00-6:00 pm at St. Agnes Church, 1680 Dixie Highway, Fort Wright, Kentucky followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 6:00 pm. A Celebration of Life reception will follow in the church undercroft. Burial will be at St. Mary’s Cemetery, Fort Mitchell, Kentucky. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to St. Agnes Church, 1680 Dixie Highway, Fort Wright, Kentucky 41011 or Notre Dame Academy, 1699 Hilton Drive, Park Hills, Kentucky 41011. Special condolences and memories may be made at www.dmefuneral.com. Dobbling, Muehlenkamp-Erschell Funeral Home caring for Al and his family.

IN MEMORY OF PAST STATE DEPUTY & FORMER SUPREME WARDEN MICHAEL T. PEAK



Michael T. Peak served as Kentucky State Deputy from July 1, 1976 until June 30, 1978. He also served two years as Supreme Warden. Below is a copy of his obituary.

Louisville – Michael T. Peak, 83, passed away Tuesday, November 9, 2021.

Mike was a 1956 graduate from St. X where he played varsity football and ran track. While at St. X, Mike formed lifelong friendships that were celebrated monthly at their special lunches. He was retired from the Courier Journal after serving 30 years as advertising executive. While with the Courier Journal, Mike won several national awards.

Active in the Knights of Columbus, Mike served as both the Kentucky State Deputy and the Supreme Warden. He was the only man from Kentucky that ever served as a supreme officer in the history of the Knights of Columbus. Mike served on the original organizing Board of Dismas Charities, and the original organizing Board of Opportunities for Life, the Kentucky Bishop's Prolife Initiative. In the Holy Year of 1983, Mike went to Rome with the Supreme Board of the Knights of Columbus and had a private audience with Holy Father, Pope John Paul II. The following year he was blessed to have lunch with St. Mother Teresa. Mike was an avid Bellarmine basketball fan for over 50 years.

Mike is preceded in death by his brothers, Paul, William, and Edward Peak; and sister Pauline Gorman.

He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Jane Peak; daughters, Terri Purol (Greg), Patty Kayrouz, Donna Foster (Mark), and Michelle Crepps (David); 9 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren; brother, Donald A. Peak Sr (Alice).

Visitation will be Friday, November 12 from 12:00 to 8:00 pm at Ratterman & Sons Funeral Home, 3800 Bardstown Road. A funeral Mass will be Saturday at 11:30 am at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 3345 Lexington Road with burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Memorial donations can be made to the Knights of Columbus Charities and Little Way Ministries. Memories of Mike and messages of support for the family can be shared at www.ratterman.com.

A LONG TIME BROTHER KNIGHT

A Long Time Brother Knight Our Council's Oldest Member

What were you doing in 1917? Most of us will answer, "Nothing I was not yet born!"

Recently our Council decided that in addition to our recruiting efforts to reach out to new prospective Knights, our Financial Secretary, Rick Ratterman, and Member Retention Chair, Tom Bennett would again make an extra effort to contact those brothers that we have lost track of over the years. As we looked at our membership roster, we thought we had found a mistake when we noted that one of our Honorary Life Members had a birth date of 3/22/1917 – surely this Knight could no longer be with us in this life since he would now be 104 years old. We were wrong. He is alive and perky and has been a Knight for 55 years and he is also the oldest living member of our Council and one of the oldest living Knights in Kentucky.

I talked with the daughter of Herman W. Steilberg and asked her a few questions.

Herman has a bit of a hearing problem and thus phone conversations can be challenging, so I asked his daughter, Diana Reuther, some questions to relay to him. Our "interview" covered the following questions:



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Do you remember when you first became a Knight? Yes, it was in 1966.

Why did you become a Knight 55 years ago? My long-time friend Tony Heichelbach was a Knight and he encouraged me to join and he sponsored me. At the time I was a busy father and the club on River Road had a swimming pool for the kids, so I joined for the benefit of having special times with friends and family.

Since you have been a Knight for 55 years, do you remember anything about your exemplification initiation into Knighthood? I remember that it took place at the River Road Club on a Sunday Afternoon. There were about twelve candidates who were blindfolded and we were asked several questions about our Catholic Faith.

Where did your Council meetings take place? At the River Road location where it is located to this day. My daughter's wedding reception in 1967 was also held at our club.

Do you have any special memories from the past that happened because you are a Knight? I especially remember all the good times we had with my Knight brothers and their wives at the K of C Sunday dinners.

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant and other challenging. What a delight for us to "re-discover" Herman. His memory is phenomenal and we are all blessed that he is still among us as a loyal and valued member of the Knights of Columbus.

Ken Rosenbaum
Grand Knight
Council 2761
Louisville, KY

KofC MOTORCYCLE RUN FOR WEDNESDAY'S CHILD

Hello Brother Knights,

What a Awesome year for our 19th Annual Knights of Columbus Motorcycle Run for Wednesday's Child. Brother Clyde Hayes from Newman Council started the Motorcycle Run 19 years ago along with news anchor Liz Everman from WLKY-TV in Louisville to make sure The Wednesday's Child Kids would have an Awesome Christmas. Brother Clyde wanted them to have what they wanted for Christmas and not some generic toy for a boy or girl. Clyde worked tirelessly to make this happen and even used his own money to make sure his goal would be reached. Sadly for all of us Clyde passed away three years ago. In Clyde's



honor and memory we have named the ride "Clyde's Ride" The Knights are So Proud to keep his legacy going. A little information on Wednesday's Child Kids. The Wednesday's Child Program was introduced 41 years ago by Liz Everman on a 30 minute tv show on WLKY-TV in Louisville, Ky. called of course Wednesday's Child. In the last 41 years they have placed over 2000 kids in loving forever homes. These kids are older children with issues that make

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them harder to place in forever homes. When the Motorcycle Run started there were only around 100 children to buy for and unfortunately the number has grown to over 400 kids in the Kentucky area. This year has been our most successful year ever. We raised \$10,100.00 for these Awesome kid's Christmas. I want to thank everyone who has donated time, money and support helping make this the Best year ever. Thanks to all the councils for all the hard work helping raise money. Thanks to Newman Council and Mc Kune Council for covering all the expenses to make the ride possible. Thanks to St. Teresa of Calcutta Church in Louisville for the use of their facilities use for the run. Thanks to the Motorcycle riders for their generosity. I wish I could list all the names of each and every one of the people who helped make an Awesome Christmas for these kids. Most of all I want to Thank Brother Clyde Hayes for starting The Motorcycle Run. I know Brother Clyde is sitting on his Harley looking down and smiling. Brother Clyde you are Missed.

Vivat Jesus
Steve Arnold

COOKOUT FOR THE PENNY ROYAL VETERANS CENTER

Assembly 2753 held its annual cookout for the Penny Royal Veterans Center (PVC) in Hopkinsville, KY. The PVC was in need of a new charcoal grill and a picnic table for its veteran tenants. We delivered a new grill, picnic table, several bags of charcoal and lighter fluid as well as several days of additional food.

We grilled burgers, hot dogs, and brats for 50 veterans on Sunday and donated 2 large trays of chili and one large tray of pulled pork for this week's meals. The Vets will eat well this week!



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

2021 Holiday Gift Card Raffle

Once again, Special Olympics is offering the opportunity for you to boost your buying power just in time for Christmas with the annual Holiday Gift Card Raffle. This year's winner will grab \$4,050 worth of gift cards to some of the season's most popular retailers, restaurants and more. Tickets are just \$10 each and the winner will be drawn on Dec. 9. For a complete list of gift cards and to purchase tickets online, visit soky.org/giftcardraffle.

Schedule Set for 2022 Polar Plunges

The schedule is now set for the Coolest Fundraiser in Kentucky – the Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Kentucky. Several Councils across Kentucky have participated in the Polar Plunge over the years. In 2021 Councils raised more than \$14,000 for Special Olympics Kentucky in Plunges in Lexington, Louisville and Lake Cumberland. With five Polar Plunges across the state, there is one within a reasonable drive from your Council. For more information or to sign up, visit the site for the Plunge nearest you.

[January 29 – Greater Cincinnati at The Banks](#)

[February 19 – Lexington at Texas Roadhouse on Richmond Rd.](#)

[February 26 – Louisville at Main Event](#)

[March 5 – Western Kentucky at Kentucky Dam Village](#)

[March 19 – Lake Cumberland at Lee's Ford Resort Marina](#)



Please Submit Volunteer Hours

If your Council has volunteered at any Special Olympics Competition this year, please submit the names of the members and the total number of hours to Mark Buerger as soon as possible. These are valuable in determining the annual donation that Special Olympics Kentucky receives in May from Supreme. You can just send a quick e-mail to <mailto:mbuerger@soky.org>.

SCATTERED. LOST. HOMELESS.

We live in a scattered world. Drones of people, products and opportunities vie for our attention. Even these very words are competing not only to grab your attention but to hold it captive for just a few moments. Our attention will not be held prisoner for long. We must be FREE to roam from one thing to the next. But where is home for our attention? Are we doomed to be nomads? Must we always travel to where the next stimulus tugs us to go? Most people I speak with feel like I do: pulled in too many directions, at once, every day. It's as if our world were trying to tear us apart, not just from each other but pull us apart from our very selves. Is there a centering source, a power that we can tap into that helps to bring us back together, that actually makes us more whole and at peace. YES! The answer is a resounding and unequivocal YES! That force is actually a person. His name is Jesus Christ. But is there a place where I can go and sit and just be with Jesus? YES! The answer once again is crystal clear. YES! But what if I am not a really prayerful person? Can I still go to this place where Jesus is waiting for me to come visit Him? YES! What if I have committed horrible sins or just lots of sins; can I still go there? YES! What if I am not Catholic or not Christian can I still go to this place where Jesus is waiting for me? YES! What if I don't really know about how to do all the sitting and standing and I don't know all the responses to the communal prayers; can I still go then? YES! But can just sitting in this place where Jesus is waiting for me to come visit Him truly make a difference? YES! Curious yet? Maybe just a little interested? This place is called an Adoration Chapel. Catholic Churches have them. They look a little different from place to place but Jesus is always the same.

Jesus in the adoration chapel doesn't look like the Jesus you see in the movies. He doesn't look human at all. He looks like a bread wafer, but it's Him. The bread is only an appearance. Most people don't know that. It's by far the best kept secret of the Catholic faith. Surveys say that not even the majority of those who profess to believe the Catholic faith believe that it's really Him. So, very few people bother to go and spend time with Him. Well, I would love to change that. First and foremost because Jesus deserves some of our UNDIVIDED attention; he deserves our love. But also, because just spending time with Him unifies us. He pulls us back together. He gives us peace that no one else can. He listens like no one else can. He looks at us as we look at Him and the exchange is not usually interesting at all, but it is peaceful, centering and has been known to be addictive, but in a good way. You should try it out. Ask your local Catholic Church about the hours they are open for adoration before Jesus in the Tabernacle. Ask if they have any times when there is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. It's really not that complicated. Just go and hang out with Jesus. He'll change you, little by little like the sun rays will give your skin a tan in the summer. All you need is an open heart and a desire to learn from Him and lean on Him. You may be surprised to find yourself a little more put together and at home with Him.

~Rev. Scott Murphy & Brother Knight, St Edward RC Church, Louisville, KY.

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St. Edwards Council #15841, Louisville supports Eucharistic Adoration during Advent. Brother Dave Bauscher with pamphlets donated by K of C Catholic Information Services, CIS.



DAY OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION THURSDAY DECEMBER 2

In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent Adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host... It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering. Pope Benedict XVI

Please make a commitment to spend an hour with your Lord in adoration on Thursday, December 2, between 9am and 7pm in the Chapel. Your commitment will ensure there are at least 2 adorers in the Chapel at all times when the Eucharist is exposed. You can sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4DADAE2FA2FCC70-eucharistic> or click the QR code here.

Regardless, all adorers are welcome at any time to spend some time in the presence of the Eucharist. If you have questions, or wish to sign up 'manually', send email to John Bates, jbbates56@yahoo.com.



CHALICE CEREMONY

Sunday, October 31st, Assembly 2753 in Hopkinsville KY conducted its first Chalice Ceremony. Rev. Fr. Michael Charles, a native of Kenya Africa, is stationed at Sts. Peter & Paul Church in Hopkinsville, KY, and has several priests in Kenya, in need of a chalice for daily mass.

Sir Knight Bob Marko's widow, Fran, agreed to offer Bob's chalice to a priest in need in Kenya. A2753 conducted a very moving ceremony with Fran donating the chalice to Fr. Michael Charles.

Assembly 2753 has received 3 other chalices from widows that have been holding onto their husband's chalice. They have contacted me and we will be mailing a total of 4 chalices to priests in need in Kenya.

Submitted by Tom O'Hagan FN



CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY EXEMPLIFICATION

On October 26th, Council 1487 implemented our first Exemplification of Charity, Unity, And Fraternity under the new guidelines for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree Knights in Holy Family Church. The Presiding Officer serving as Master of Ceremonies was our Grand Knight Brother Brian Listerman. Reverend Andrew Garner, our Council Chaplain, lead the assembly in opening and closing prayers.

Brother Neal Holmes performed the Presentation on Charity. The Presentation on Unity was performed by Brother Ed Hund and The Presentation on Fraternity was performed by Brother Neil Fisher. Brother David Malloy functioned as Council Warden to guide the Candidates through the ceremony. Brother John Tierney was the Investing Officer to present Awards.

Submitted by: Neil Fischer



BLUEGRASS ON BESHEAR

Council 7847 participated for the 7th consecutive year at Bluegrass on Beshear. The event is a fun-filled day of music all for 'Pickin' Life'! The council provided hamburgers, hot dogs, and brats to go with pulled pork. Over \$7000 in food sales were made and 100% donated to 'Pickin' Life'.





STATE DEPUTY STEVE ZANONE

Brother Knights,

I am truly saddened to report the death of FSW, PSD Mike Peak. What can I say about Mike? He was always smiling, friendly, and dedicated to the Knights of Columbus and our mission. He and Jane worked extremely hard on the Pro-Life movement, all the way back to its beginnings. Their dedication to that cause is going to be hard to match. Mike always encouraged me and was willing to answer the phone if I had a question for him. I valued his advice and friendship. I am genuinely glad I got to be with Mike and Jane when they got to make one last trip to the Supreme Convention. I remember him dancing in the aisle to "New York, New York" at the State's dinner. I also remember his reverence at the Masses and the respect he displayed for the convention proceedings. I for one miss Mike already. Rest in Peace, dear Brother.

The halfway point of our Fraternal Year is nearly upon us. I am happy to report that most councils are back to having meetings and activities. Our recruiting numbers have been fair to good. So now is the time for us to ramp up our recruiting and exemplification of our combined degree ceremony. We can blow our goals out of the water, if we recruit 15 men per diocese per month. I know this is easily done. We've got 2/3 of our year left, lets make the most of it.

We will hold our District Deputy Midyear meeting December 4th, in Elizabethtown. This meeting is mainly for District Deputies, but any Grand Knights, or other council officers, are always welcome. This meeting will focus on training and membership goals for the

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remainder of the year. Get your dinner reservations to Exec PSD Bill Schmidt as soon as possible. There will be a hard deadline. District Deputies, be sure to call the hotel and get your reservations made ASAP.

It is hard to believe that we will soon be making State Convention reservations. The hotel and banquet contracts are nearly complete. Watch your email, we will be sending that information out soon. With that said, as with every year we will have State Officer elections at the convention. If you intend to run for State Office, now is the time to get your resolution passed by your council and sent in to State Advocate Dick Burns. If you have any questions about what life as a state officer is like, reach out to one of the current officers. We will be happy to answer your questions.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone

**Vivat Jesus,
Steve Zanone
State Deputy**



STATE CHAPLAIN

Fr. JOHN LIST

As the Year Turns

Tongue and groove construction is a way of connecting work that has been done with work that is on-going. As we approach the end of one liturgical year and the beginning of another, the Sunday readings are laid out in a kind of tongue and groove transition, using apocalyptic language to point to the end of time while simultaneously planting the seeds of hope for a new beginning.

The first readings for this Sunday and next are taken from the Book of Daniel. While often classified among the “prophetic” books of the Jewish scriptures (aka, the Old Testament), Daniel functions more closely to how the Book of Revelation acts in the New Testament, as a kind of open-ended epilogue. While it is set in the time of the Babylonian captivity, it was actually written during the persecution by Antiochus IV (Seleucid successor to Alexander the Great) in the 2nd century B.C. Like the Book of Revelation, the message is one of hope in the midst of persecution, based on the sovereignty of God.

Today’s gospel echoes the dual message of distress and deliverance: “In those days the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky... And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds.” The gospel for the First Sunday of Advent, taken from the Gospel of Luke (our featured Gospel for the coming year), is similar: “There will be signs in the sun, the moon and the stars... And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud.” Both present the apocalyptic message: a time of tribulation is a promise of vindication by our God!

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Clearly our passage during this pandemic has been a time of tribulation. Hopefully we are coming to a point where we can see it in the rear-view mirror. The challenge of our faith, however, is to be able to see it as a time of grace, a time in which we have learned a little bit more about God's plan for us. Pope Francis, in his encyclical *Fratelli tutti*, spoke of how "the COVID-19 pandemic momentarily revived the sense that we are a global community." But he also warned that, "once this health crisis has passed, our worst response would be to plunge even more deeply into feverish consumerism and new forms of egoistic self-preservation." As the year turns, and as we emerge from the shadow of the pandemic, let us resolve to live more fully in the light of God's compassion and, again in the words of Pope Francis, "recover the shared passion to create a community of belonging and solidarity worthy of our time."

Vivat Jesus!

Fr. John List

State Chaplain



STATE SECRETARY TOM JOHNSON

Upcoming Mid-Year Meeting:

This year's December mid-year meeting will be held in Elizabethtown, KY. Like last year's Mid-Year meeting this will be a one day event and will be live streamed. The date is December 4th. Hope to see you there!

Are You or Your Council Struggling?

Does COVID 19 have you down?

Are you concerned about meeting because you have older members?

Has the Church put constraints on meeting on church property? Has the Governor's mandates and recommendations caused your members to stay away?

Has all the bad news of late got your scared out of your minds? I asked these questions a year ago. I would love to tell you that all of the fears surrounding COVID-19 are gone, but unfortunately they're not.

For the most part councils are meeting again but attendance is down and some councils are having to be creative in finding a location to meet since they are not allowed to meet on church property.

Councils have made adjustments to how they interact with the community at-large as they continue their works of Charity. Some councils are again growing in "Spirit" and in numbers. If your council is not, maybe it's time for you to think outside the box.

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If your council is struggling and you need help please contact any of your State Officers, your District Deputy or a past Council Officer. Help is just a call away...but you have to make the call.

Secretary's Report:

There are 2 councils that had not paid their FY 2019-2020 Per Capita dues amounting to \$1,062.50.

There are 6 councils that have not paid their FY 2020-2021 Per Capita dues amounting to \$1,545.00. Emails were sent to each of the council GKs & FSs. I will be contacting the councils personally in the near future.

Reflections:

It has been a year since the Beautification Mass of Fr. McGivney. According to the McGivney Guild publication, numerous blessings have occurred over the past year that has being credited to Fr. McGivney's intercession.

Take a minute and reflect on your family. Tell them that you love them whether they are near or far, alive or dead. During this month of November let us not forget the Souls in Purgatory. Our prayers are what releases them from Purgatory and sends them on to Heaven to be with God our Heavenly Father.

Let us thank God for all that He has given us and done for us. Pray that He may continue to bless our families and watch over His people and pray that He may continue to bless the United States of America.

Do you feel God is calling you to serve Him in a greater capacity? If so you might consider becoming a DD or running for a State Office. Please talk to a current DD or State Officer. God is in control...we just have to believe and be willing to do His will.

**Take care & God Bless,
Tom Johnson
State Secretary**



STATE ADVOCATE DICK BURNS

Brother Knights,

Goodbye to a Good Knight

I just learned of the passing of Past State Deputy and Former Supreme Warden Mike Peak. SK Mike was known as a strong supporter of the Culture of Life. Mike was a good man, a good Catholic, and a good Knight. Our prayers go out for him and for his wife Jane and the rest of his family.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May Mike's soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

Council Forms

A large part of the State Advocate's responsibility is to monitor and assist the Councils in completing their required Supreme Forms, including:

- Form 185, the Report of Officers Chosen for the Term, was due 6/30. As of 10/26, Supreme reports that 19 of our 98 active Councils have not submitted this Form. This is important so that new Grand Knights requiring SET qualifications can be notified and other Officers can get important information and training
- Form 365, the Service Program Personnel Report was due 8/1. As of 10/26 Supreme reports that 38 councils have not yet submitted this form. This is important so that new Program, Community, and Family Directors requiring SET qualifications can be notified and other Chairmen can get important information and training.
- Both forms can be submitted online in Member Management.
- Form 1295, the Semiannual Council Audit Report, was due 8/15. As of 10/28 Supreme Reports that 46 councils have not submitted this form for the most recent period. Of those 46, 18 are two or more audits behind, and 8 of those are 3 or more years behind. Councils

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who miss consecutive audits do not qualify for the \$5K bond that Supreme provides for Treasurers and Financial Secretaries revoked.

- That being said, I'm also aware that Supreme is not quite as behind as the IRS, but still behind on processing these Form 1295s. I'm not that concerned about those that are only behind for the 6-month period ending June 30th. I've seen several of them that Supreme doesn't show yet.

SET Compliance

The GK, Program Director, Community Director, and Family Director of each council are required to take KofC provided Safe Environment Training. As of 9/30, only 37% of the four positions required in every Council are currently filled by Brothers who have completed their required training modules and background checks. 18 councils have no one who has completed the training for any of the required positions.

Councils who sponsor any youth involved events (Free Throw Competition, Soccer Challenge, Keep Christ in Christmas Poster, etc.) are expected to have at least two KofC SET compliant individuals present, one of whom must have a KofC background check. If they can't meet this requirement, they shouldn't be conducting any programs that include youths.

If your Council has any problems with Forms or SET Compliance, please contact me or your District Deputy.

Star Council Candidates

15 Councils are up to date on their Forms 185, 365, 1295, and are Safe Environment Training compliant:

District	Council #/Name	
2	11591	Divine Mercy
4	10725	Bishop Soenneker
6	7847	Monsignor Willett
8	2499	Hardinsburg
8	12623	St. Christopher
9	1315	Fr. Powers
12	12354	St. Joseph

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13	4665	Monsignor Newman
14	15525	St. Michael
14	15841	St. Edward the Confessor
14	15979	St. Margaret Mary
14	16179	St. Brigid & St. James
15	390	Fr. Dentinger
15	2761	Bishop Spalding
21	5453	Bishop Ackerman

Recruit! and Retain!

Feel free to ask your District Deputy, the State Officers, Field Agent, or our Regional Growth Director for assistance in recruiting!

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. Be sure to use the new eMembership as a tool to get men to take the first step toward full membership and use the McGivney2020 code to get their first year's dues for free!

Vivat Jesus!

Dick Burns
State Warden

Show me your faith without works, and I will show you my faith by my works. James 2:18

Submitted for the November 2021 State Newsletter by:
Billy R. Hancock, PSD, State Historian



STATE WARDEN GARY DYKHUIS

Worthy Brothers,

Passing of Two Great Past State Deputies

Albin “Al” Stoeckle, served as Kentucky State Deputy from July 1, 1982 until June 30, 1984. He also served as District Master. Al was a Marine veteran of WWII serving at Pearl Harbor during the war. His visitation and funeral were October 25th. Al was 96 years young.

Michael T. Peak, served as Kentucky State Deputy from July 1, 1976 until June 30, 1978. He also served two years as Supreme Warden. Mike was the only man from Kentucky that ever served as a supreme officer in the history of the Knights of Columbus. Mike was 83 years old and a Great Brother Knight.

Basketball Slam Tickets!!!

The 2022 Basketball Slam tickets will be disturbed at the Mid-Year Meeting to the District Deputies. This is the Fundraiser that is used for Disaster Relief. Last year the Charities committee sent funds to the two churches that were hit by a flood. They also sent funds to Tennessee State Council and Haiti.

Again, councils that sell 25 tickets qualify for the State Deputy Award. Please make checks payable to the Knights of Columbus Charities. **Please Do Not Send Cash.** I will need Tickets sold, unsold and Checks by March 7, 2022.

You can check results at www.basketbllsweeps.com, starting April 6, 2022.

Watch for the Winners of the “College Football Frenzy” each week. The Winners list is being sent out weekly to the Grand Knights and District Deputies. Thank You to the Councils that participated in selling tickets.

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You can check the results for tickets by visiting [http: www.footballsweeps.com/](http://www.footballsweeps.com/).

State Charity Recipients – Recipients of Grants from the Kentucky Knights of Columbus Charity are not restricted to Catholics or religious based needs. The Charity is financially sound, and councils and individuals are encouraged to submit for a grant for a worthy cause. You can find the grant request fund at <http://kykofc.wpengine.com/programs/overview-and-guide/>.

State Mid-Year Meeting

Mid-Year meeting is being held December 4th, at St James Church in Elizabethtown. We are having Dave Tebo from Supreme. Hope to see You at the Mid-Year Meeting.

Veterans Day

Happy Veterans Day – November 11, to all Military Veterans.

A Happy Birthday Marines and Marine Veterans, November 10th - marked the 246th birthday of the United States Marine Corps. Dating back to 1775, just eight months prior to the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the Second Continental Congress established the Continental Marines. "Semper Fi"

Recruit and Retain

We still have the FREE MEMBER for a New member and he can join on line. You can transfer him into your Council. Please remember to ask that Young Man, and Family to join us, these new members make Great Brother Knights. The new Young Members have the Best Ideas and know some of best practices.

Membership is Free until the end of the Fraternal year.

Please welcome former members to come back to the order.

Vivat Jesus!!

Gary Dykhuis

State Warden



DISTRICT MASTER BILL SCHMIDT

Sir Knights –

This is the last call for the online (virtual) Exemplification on November 20th at 10:00 AM EST (9:00 AM CST). The online opportunity is the most convenient and cheapest way to join the Fourth Degree. Please work with your councils to find those Third Degree Knights that are interested in becoming a Sir Knight. If you have any questions, please let me know and I will get them answered for you. The next opportunity will be on February 12th which will be a Provencal-wide degree led by the Kentucky degree team.

The Vice Supreme Master Mike McDougle wanted me to remind Faithful Navigators to include him in your newsletters as he very much enjoys seeing everyone's activities. Please be sure to include oldranger84@gmail.com in your email correspondence, especially for reports that require the VSM to be copied.

The Kentucky District was saddened to recently to learn of the passing of Past State Deputy, and Former Supreme Warden, Mike Peak. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

In order to grow the Fourth Degree, we must first grow in the First, Second, and Third Degrees. Recruit new members into your council and advance them through the higher degrees so that they can become Sir Knights in the Fourth Degree. Our councils, parishes, and communities need us Sir Knights more than ever. Let's build up our Army of Knights to fight for what is right and just.

Fraternally,
Bill Schmidt, PSD
Kentucky District Master
BillSchmidtPSD@comcast.net
270-242-0337



GENERAL AGENT DANIEL SCHACHLE

Knights of Columbus - Protecting our members and Catholic families

With holidays approaching we get busier and busier...right through to the end of the year. It seems nearly non-stop with family gatherings, holiday shopping, special programs at the parish and at schools. Everybody gets busy! From what I've read about shipping and trucking delays of getting shelves restocked it looks like Christmas shopping will need to start even earlier for many.

As busy as you are, here is one item that needs your attention: If you have not yet completed the K of C Annual Survey, please take just a few minutes, and respond. It's easier than ever; it can be done online at <https://kofcsurvey2021.org/> Your responses help our K of C Field Agents understand your current situation better. That in turn allows our Field Agents to be of better service to you. For some of you that means providing you or a family member with one of our many fraternal benefits. For others it may mean updating important contact or family information. Still others may benefit from a comprehensive look at their current insurance protection. With our new financial needs' analysis tool and a few minutes together our Field Agents can give you an accurate picture of where you stand when it comes to your family's protection. You may want to obtain a Social Security Analysis, so you maximize your Social Security benefit or how to minimize or lower your taxes in retirement. On a separate note, you may want to review your Extended Care Plan to help in protecting your Estate due to the costs of long-term care.

The K of C financial needs analysis allows our Field Agents to gather information from you and make fact-based recommendations based on your wants, needs, and desires. With the help of computer modeling our Field Agents can look at a variety of scenarios and help ensure you are on the right track regardless what lies ahead.

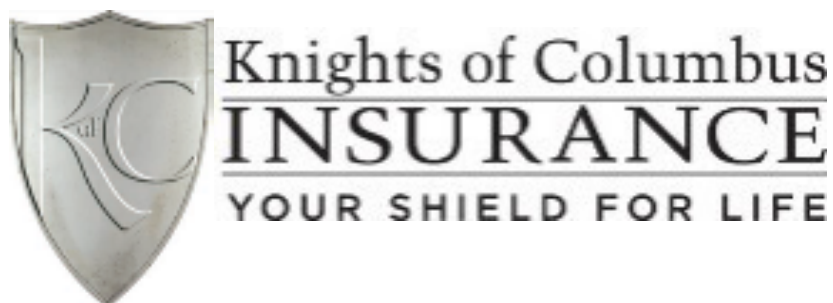
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Now, before things get too busy, please meet with your K of C Field Agent and look at where you stand. Maybe you're in good shape in one area, but could use some shoring up in another. Those blind spots can be problematic, but once identified you can take the necessary steps to address them.

Thank you to the many brothers who have met a K of C Field Agent so far this year. We have been very fortunate to be of service to them and their families. Even as the end of the year gets busy, our K of C Field Agents look forward to helping more.

Vivat Jesus!

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STATE HISTORIAN BILLY HANCOCK

Albin “Al” Edmund Stoeckle
July 7, 1925 – October 13, 2021

40th State Deputy
1982 -1984

District Master
1986 - 1990

First Degree March 1, 1954
Fourth Degree June 1, 1972
A Knight for 68 Years

Member of:
Frankfort Council 1483
Msgr. Leo Francis Wilson Assembly 2339
For many years, he served as reader of the
necrology at the State Conventions.



PSD Stoeckle's obituary can be read at <https://kykofc.com/passing-of-psd-al-stoeckle/>

May his soul and the soul of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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Michael T. Peak

September 2, 1938 – November 9, 2021

37th State Deputy
1976 – 1978

Supreme Warden

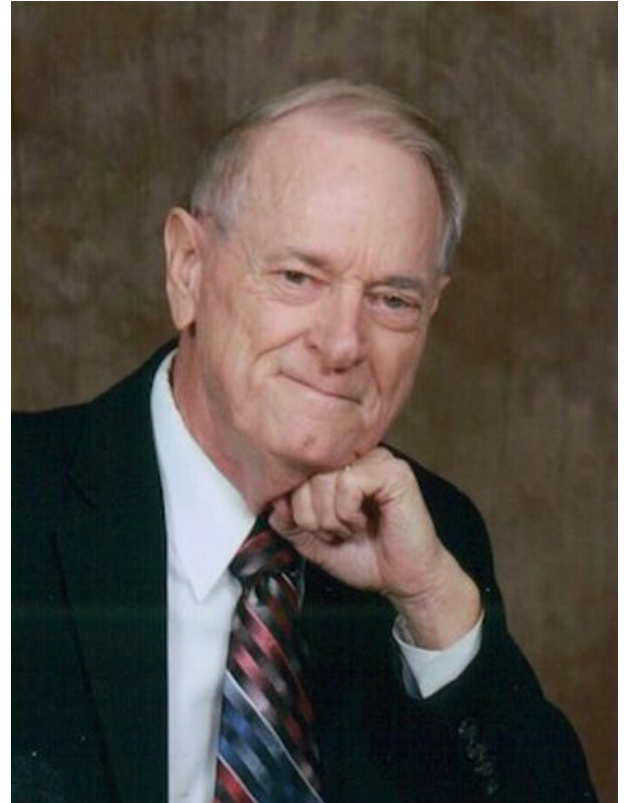
Elected by Supreme Board of Directors in October
1982

First Degree June 1, 1959
Fourth Degree October 1, 1971
A Knight for 62 Years

Member of:

Bishop Spalding Council 2761

Archbishop John Floersh Assembly 2008



Since his term as State Deputy, and till recently, he was very active in the Pro-Life and Family/Life Program.

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**Submitted for the November 2021 State Newsletter by:
Billy R. Hancock, PSD, State Historian**

LOCAL EVENTS



Join Us for
Mass as we
Celebrate our
Beloved Sisters

Sisters Lydia Falzon & Lucilla Mangion

A Mass in their Honor:

November 20th, at 4:30 p.m.

St. John the Apostle Catholic Church · Brandenburg, KY

A dinner & celebration to follow in the gymnasium

RSVP sjsecretary@bbtel.com or 270-422-2196 by Nov. 16

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Please be careful. Someone is sending out emails pretending to be State Deputy Steve Zanone and requesting that the recipient of the email purchase gift cards for the Kentucky State Council. This is a scam and is not coming from the state council or the State Deputy. Simply delete the email and do not reply to it. The Kentucky State Council will never ask for something like this over an email. And if you ever have a doubt, please call the person making the request to verify that it is real.

This type of email is called phishing and some of them can be very convincing. The link below has some good information on how to recognize and avoid phishing scams if you would like more information.

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams>

Please consider passing this email on to your council members for their protection.

Stay safe,
Cameron Peck IPSD

CALENDAR

November
Thanksgiving 26

December
Mid-year Meeting for DDs 4
Christmas 25

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