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NEWSLETTER



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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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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 Zanon

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS

2022 Salute to Summer Games

The 2022 [Salute to Summer Games](#) is underway! Once again, with the support of the State Deputy, the Salute to Summer Games has returned as a Knights of Columbus-specific campaign. From now through the 2022 State Summer Games (scheduled for June 4 at Eastern Kentucky University), individual Knights and Councils across the state will have an opportunity to raise money to support Special Olympics with the goal being to add the Knights of Columbus as an official State Summer Games sponsor.

Worthy Grand Knights should have received an e-mail from the State Deputy that outlines a plan for success:

1. Identify one or more volunteers to participate
2. Set up a team for your Council at sokysalute.com
3. Have your participants register as part of your team
4. Have participants [connect their Salute pages to their Facebook pages](#)

This is a great opportunity for Councils and individual Knights to easily help us support Special Olympics without Councils making direct donations. However, if your Council does decide to make a donation, it can be sent to:

Special Olympics Kentucky
Attn: Salute to Summer Games
105 Lakeview Court
Frankfort, KY 40601

Council donations will appear on the Kentucky Knights of Columbus page on the Salute Web site.

Our goal is to raise \$12,000 (or about \$1 for every Knight in the state). If we are able to raise at least \$10,000 the Knights will be recognized as a Gold Sponsor for the State Summer Games. Last year we were able to raise \$11,000 statewide to support the Games.

More communications about the Salute will be coming to Grand Knights soon. If you have any questions, contact Mark Buerger at mbuerger@soky.org.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS CONT.

State Summer Games Return June 4

The State Summer Games will return to Eastern Kentucky University on Saturday, June 4. More than 800 athletes from across the state are expected to compete in bocce, rhythmic gymnastics, soccer, swimming and track and field. Hundreds of volunteers are needed to make the day go smoothly, making the Summer Games a great opportunity to volunteer on your own or with your Council. Knights have traditionally worked at the softball throw venue, but there are roles available at any sport as well as helping with photography or videography, lunch distribution and many more. For more information about how you can get involved contact Kelli Firquin at kfirquin@soky.org.



CALVARY CEMETERY CLEANUP

Maru Queen of the Holy Rosary Council #14372 in Lexington teamed up with Boy Scout Troop #282 to spend the day cleaning up Calvary Cemetery in Lexington.



ULTRASOUND MACHINE BLESSING

Here's a picture of three Knights from Bishop Flaget Council #13053 in Louisville with Archbishop Sheldon blessing the newly installed sonogram machine at Little Way.

This is second unit that the Knights of Columbus raised funds for including the Supreme match. That's about \$100,000 worth of life-saving machines!

Ellen reported today that the machines are having a huge impact helping young mothers choose life.

It was a very nice day.

Submitted by Jack Banbury



THE BUNNY IS BACK

On Saturday April 16th, Council 1487 in Ashland, for the first time in two years, resumed its Annual Easter Egg Hunt. We have managed to keep a reduced celebration for the past two years to assure that the kids got their chocolate treats by just handing out candy. This year Brother Keith Salisbury and his wife Patty (our resident Easter Egg experts) expanded the celebration back to a full-sized Easter Egg Hunt with a thousand hidden eggs and a huge turnout of children to find them and even the Easter Bunny showed up. The weather was great with sunshine and blue skies. There were refreshments and prizes for the children and of course the main ingredient was lots and lots of chocolate!

Submitted by Neil Fisher



CEMETERY OF THE INNOCENTS

All Saints Council #16424, in Walton, erected a cemetery of the innocents visible as you get off of I75.



PATRIOTIC ESSAY CONTEST

Council 7847 asked all students in grades 8-12 to answer the question "What does the Declaration of Independence and the Preamble of the US Constitution mean to me. i.e values, hopes, dreams, expectations, etc?" Unfortunately only the 8th Grade participated. The students did a great job of answering the question but ultimately Jonathan Allard was the winner.

In the picture attached GK Tom O'Hagan and several members of the council present the award to Jonathan.

Submitted by Grand Knight Tom O'Hagan





STATE DEPUTY STEVE ZANONE

My Brother Knights,

We are entering the top of the stretch for this fraternal year, and while we are a bit of a long shot to achieve Circle of Honor status, we are not out of the running. We only need 138 more new members by June 30. Kentucky has recruited more men in less time with fewer councils and no online option. We can do this! Covid and the devastation of the December tornadoes is behind us. If every council goes out and finds 2 more members, we will blow our goal away. I will be trying my best to finish strong, and I am asking all councils to do the same.

As you should be aware, the Supreme Court is very close to overturning Roe v Wade. If this happens, we need to be prepared for a Culture of Life fight like we have never seen before. Donations have been pitiful this year. If we are to put up a meaningful fight to end abortion, we will need all the people, money, and time we can muster. We've come very close, now is not the time to turn our backs on Culture of Life. Kentucky has a long tradition of supporting this cause, and we must keep the tradition alive.

Convention is next weekend. For the first time in a few years, we will have a much more normal State Convention. Attendance appears to be a little light, but we have a new venue and have a great time planned for you. Come celebrate with us and elect your new State Officer team for the coming year. Our Supreme representative is the

ZANONE CONT.

Chief Investment Officer for the Order. Anthony Minopoli is a very nice man, and he is looking forward to spending the weekend with us.

Brothers, I would not trade the experience of serving as a State Officer for anything. It is hard to believe that soon my time will be ending, but I assure you I will continue to serve the Kentucky Knights of Columbus for as long as I am able.

**Vivat Jesus,
Steve Zanone
State Deputy**



STATE CHAPLAIN FR. JOHN LIST

“Behold, God’s dwelling is with the human race!” Revelation 21:3

The vision of John (of Patmos) of the “new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God” was a source of encouragement and ultimate hope for a community under siege, exiled from the familiar synagogues in which they had grown up, despondent over the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem which they had come to believe was the tangible presence of the Almighty, and now the focus of vehement persecution by an empire that spanned the extent of their know world. We hope to be catching a glimpse from the shadows of a pandemic that has spanned the world, we may be despondent at the news of yet another mass shooting (as I write this, news from Buffalo, NY) apparently motivated by the poison of race hatred, and we may feel exiled from a society in which we grew up but seems blinded to the fundamental sacredness of life. “Behold,” concludes today’s passage from Revelation, “I make all things new.” Such is the splendid, hopeful vision: already, but not yet.

When I was yet “but a twinkle in my Daddy’s eyes”, i.e., a little while before I was born, my father set to work building a home for our growing family. (I had four sisters preceding me, and up to that time they were living in a two bedroom apartment in the upstairs of my maternal grandmother’s house.) So the house I came to know as home was a modest three bedroom ranch with an unfinished basement which would become the half-finished additional bedroom for three (or four, as needed). I remember the day the Mom and Dad “burned the mortgage”; I think I was ten. Then Dad did the unthinkable; he broke ground on an addition that added a family room-garage almost

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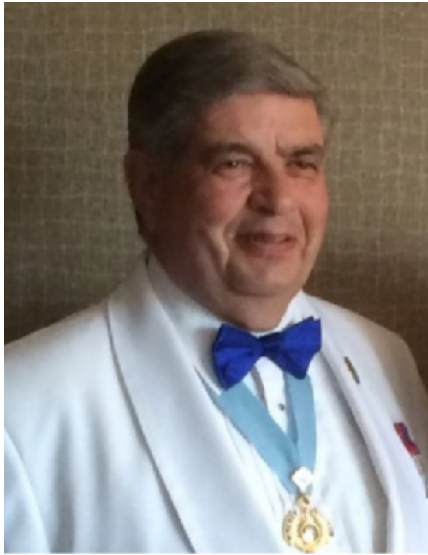
half again the size of the original house! I came to find out that had been in the blueprints all along. It just took a little longer than originally planned.

We are impatient for the “new heaven and the new earth” that are the subject of John’s vision and God’s promise, where “there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away.” The experience of the church is that “it is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God.” The Servant of God Fr. Michael McGivney taught us that sharing those hardships helps us all to arrive there. May our service as an order of Knights, ourselves servants of the Kingdom of God, help to bring about the new order of God’s love come to fulfillment.

Vivat Jesus!

Fr. John List

State Chaplain



STATE SECRETARY TOM JOHNSON

Excitement and Anticipation are in the air! We are Blessed! How lucky we are to be Catholic, to be a member of the Knights of Columbus and to be alive in this time of uncertainty. We just celebrated the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are witnesses to His victory over death and we are recipients of His Love for His children. As Catholic men and members of the Knights of Columbus we are blessed to have the tools to combat the evil that is surrounding us and to keep our families safe. As we navigate the “Sea of Uncertainty”, let us hold fast to the knowledge of knowing that God is with us, and He will not abandon us.

In less than a week’s time, we’ll be gathering in Frankfort, Ky for the 119th KY Knights of Columbus State Convention. If you haven’t registered for the convention or banquet, please consider doing so. I for one look forward to seeing everyone. Take a minute to say hello and get to know some of your brother Knights from across the state.

Secretary’s Report:

I’m happy to report that all but 6 councils have paid their 2022 State Per Capita Billing. The remaining balance due is \$3,361.25. Of that sum, \$1,872.50 is the current billing and \$1,488.75 is from previous billings. In addition to being past due, these councils will not have voice or vote at the upcoming State Convention. Of great concern is that 5 of those 6 councils have multiple years of unpaid Per Capita which implies that the council is probably not active.

Voucher requests have been processed by me for all invoices received to date and checks have been issued by the WST Luke Williams. The State Convention Booklet has been completed and will be available at the convention.

JOHNSON CONT.

July Organizational Meeting:

The July Organizational meeting will take place on Saturday July 16th at the Cardome Centre in Georgetown. This meeting is for council officers and district deputies. Much is changing and I highly recommend that you not miss this meeting. There will be a Friday night gathering for those wishing to attend, Mass after the Saturday Meeting and a dinner that evening prepared by the local council. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

**Take Care & God Bless,
Tom Johnson
KY State Secretary**



STATE TREASURER LUKE WILLIAMS

Very soon we will be receiving a ruling from the US Supreme Court on the Mississippi law concerning abortions. Give your petitions to our Mother Mary during this Month of May that whatever the outcome is, we as Knights of Columbus continue to step into the breach to care for all, especially if the Roe decision is overturned and the States Legislatures once again have the say in abortion law. I extend a special request to our Councils...Please give generously to protect life. At the State Organizational Meeting in July, have a check ready for the Culture of Life funds to support needs in your diocese.

119TH ANNUAL KENTUCKY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE COUNCIL MEETING

I am looking forward to seeing all who are going to attend the KY State Convention in Frankfort this month. Thanks to all who put their effort into making this year's Convention a memorable one.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

**Vivat Jesus,
Luke Williams
State Treasurer**



STATE ADVOCATE DICK BURNS

Brother Knights,

2022 State Convention

We're looking forward to a "normal" State Convention at the Capitol Plaza in Frankfort on May 21-22! I hope we have a great turnout for the State Convention this year.

Unfortunately, I couldn't join you last year because of some medical problems, and I'm really looking forward to getting to see my old friends and make some new ones. Every Council should send two delegates who'll get to see how the State Council works, make new acquaintances, and get the opportunity to discuss council working with other councils and maybe get some good ideas.

Happy New Year!

Fraternal Year, that is. There is still time to get those few additional new members you need, to get that last Faith in Action Program completed, to have that Fraternal Benefits night, to get all your forms submitted and Safe Environment Training completed and make Star Council!

Feel free to let your DDs and State Officers know how we can help you. I'm here to help on any Forms and SET Compliance issues.

It has been my honor to have served the jurisdiction as a State Council Officer for another year, and I look forward to continuing to do so with your support.

BURNS CONT.

A hearty “thank you” to outgoing Council Officers, and congratulations and thank you to all those who are accepting new leadership positions. Together we can all make a difference.

Happy Derby Week!

Things are back to normal here in Louisville, too. I was in attendance with a few thousand others at the 60th Annual Bishop Spalding Council #2761 Charity Dinner at the Gault House that’s the traditional Monday night kick-off for Derby Week. About \$21K was distributed to deserving local charities, my wife and I got to meet Archbishop Fabre, and I enjoyed possibly the best piece of pot roast at a “chicken or beef” hotel banquet I’ve ever eaten!

Wednesday, we enjoyed watching one of the other highlights of Derby week, the Great Steamboat Race from the “Hurricane Deck” at the #2761 Hall on the Ohio River. We get a great view of the boats passing us going up river and turning around about a mile up and going back down river to the starting point at the Clark Memorial Bridge. The hometown favorite Belle of Louisville finished in fourth place, but was awarded the Silver Antler trophy anyway, on a technicality – she was the only real Steamboat of the four competitors!

I’ll probably be spending Derby Day on a liquid diet (read Mint Juleps!) after I have a tooth extraction on Oaks Day. Not the best end for the town’s biggest week.

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



STATE WARDEN GARY DYKHUIS

Worthy Brothers,
Happy Derby Week!!

Kentucky Derby winner Rich Strike, his shock-the-world victory in Saturday's run for the roses as an 81-1 long shot. Trainer Eric Reed and the team around him are still walking on clouds after the second-biggest long-shot win in the 148-year history of the nation's most famous race.

I must have been one of the few that was not in town this week-end. My Grandson graduated from Mary Washington University in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

State Convention

We are finally being able to meet in-person and Hopley it will go off with a bang. It is great being able to have Fraternally with our brothers and their Families. We are going to celebrate our achievements and catch up. I am also looking forward to the Organizational meeting in July. See you at the Capital Plaza Hotel, in Frankfort.

Thanks to the Brothers that put their efforts into making this Year's Convention a Success. A big Thank You for the opportunity and support to serve as your State Warden for the past two years. I look forward to continue serving the Jurisdiction of the Order.

Recruit and Retain

We are on our last two months of this Fraternal Year, and still need New Members and Families in our Kentucky Knights of Columbus order. A new member can join on his iPhone and transfer into your council. Please remember to ask that Young Man, that just graduated from High School or College to join us, these new members make Great Brother Knights. The new Young Members have the Best Ideas and know some of best practices.

DYKHUIS CONT.

Please remember, Supreme has the Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on line. This is a Great way to have a New Third Degree member, with some new ideas and can help with our projects the Council has.

Please welcome former members to come back to the order. Also, you can recruit that Brother that was assigned to the Affiliate membership back.

Vivat Jesus!!
Gary Dykhuis
State Warden



DISTRICT MASTER BILL SCHMIDT

Sir Knights –

The end of the fraternal year is rapidly approaching. The Kentucky District is getting very close of reaching our intake goal of 165 new Sir Knights. To date, we have brought in 122 leaving us with 43 new members to bring into the Fourth Degree before June 30th. I need every Assembly and every council to rally together with me as 43 is easily attainable but requires a bit of effort to achieve. I need Third Degree members to complete a Form 4 and get the signatures of the Financial Secretary, Faithful Navigator, and Faithful Comptroller right away. The form is to then be sent to me either in hard copy or by email along with the completed registration form.

There are two more opportunities to join the Fourth Degree before the end of the year. There is an in-person Exemplification in Lexington on June 4th at Noon EDT as well as a virtual exemplification put on by the West Virginia District on June 11th. With these two opportunities, we should have no problem reaching 43, but we need your help to make it. Please work with your Third Degree members and get them to the pinnacle of Knighthood in our Order. I thank you all in advance for your help!

Remember that Assemblies can earn the Star Assembly Award by reaching their membership quota, earning the Civic Award (similar to the Columbian Award), entering the “To Be A Patriot” competition, publishing a monthly newsletter, and submitting the required Supreme reports. More information can be found at <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/service/council/10486-star-assembly-award.pdf>. All Assemblies are encouraged to shoot for the Star Assembly Award! If you have any questions, just ask me.

SCHMIDT CONT.

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
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GENERAL AGENT DANIEL SCHACHLE

Retirement Planning in a Changing Landscape

According to the [usdebtclock.org](https://www.usdebtclock.org) the current United States national debt is over \$30 trillion. They estimate that Federal income taxes will increase from currently \$4 trillion to \$4.4 trillion by 2029. They predict that our US debt will be more than \$81 trillion by 2029. That is still in this decade. Debt is increasing at all levels of government.

Demographically, won't government require more money for all retirees who are living longer than they have ever lived?

Do you think taxes will be higher in the future? Do you want to pay those taxes? If you could gain control of how much tax you pay rather than allowing the government to be in control of how much tax you pay, would you want to develop a strategy that keeps you in control? When would you like to get started? Would it be before or after the government changes the rules?

Our country now has an additional "stealth tax" called inflation. Inflation can be described as the reduced purchasing power of our money. Our government is currently planning on increasing the money supply by 175 percent between now and 2029. What do you think that will do to the purchasing power of your money? Isn't that a tax? Increased taxes typically only affect 15 to 20 percent of Americans. Inflation impacts 100 percent of Americans. Have you been to the grocery store lately? How about your recent purchase of gasoline for your automobile?

SCHACHLE CONT.

Ed Slott, CPA is a nationally recognized speaker, television personality and best-selling author known for his unparalleled ability to turn advanced tax strategies into understandable, actionable and entertaining advice. Ed combines current research, in-depth expertise, and humor to teach viewers about the ins and outs of their retirements and provides insight to the latest tax and planning information.

You and your family are invited to attend our free webinar featuring Ed Slott. Moreover, you may want to encourage your children to attend. They could benefit from learning the best tax strategies at a young age. Ed specializes in the latest retirement planning strategies and opportunities for 2022. You must REGISTER to attend either webinar. Choose the best date for you and your family to attend. Register now!

May 24, 2022, at 7:30 PM Eastern Time
<https://tinyurl.com/SlottMay24>

June 14, 2022 at 7:30 PM Eastern Time
<https://tinyurl.com/SlottJune14>

Fraternally yours,

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STATE HISTORIAN BILLY HANCOCK

The city of Frankfort will have hosted a Kentucky State Convention for the fourth time when the 119th Convention convenes on May 21, 2022.

The first was the 9th Convention on May 14, 1912. James C. Rogers from Lexington was State Deputy.

The second was the 18th Convention on May 10, 1921. James J. Donovan from Ludlow was State Deputy.

The third was the 101st Convention on May 15-16, 2004. Gary B. Berkemeier from Edgewood was State Deputy.

The fourth will be the 119th Convention when it convenes on May 21, 2022. State Deputy Steve Zanone from Lexington will preside. On behalf the Past State Deputies, I want to express our appreciation to Steve for his two years of service as State Deputy. He has shepherded the State Council through two very difficult years of the COVID pandemic restrictions.

Wishing the State Officers and all attendees a successful Convention.

Submitted for the May 2022 Newsletter by:
Billy R. Hancock, PSD
State Historian

LOCAL EVENTS



**Knights of Columbus
Msgr. James H. Willett Council #7847
Hopkinsville, KY 42240**

**17th Annual – Charity Golf Scramble
Saturday, October 15th 2022**

Shotgun Start - Tee Time: 8:00am

Western Hills Golf Course, Hopkinsville, KY
(Metal spikes are not permitted at Western Hills)

Entry Fee

\$65 per person before October 1st, \$70 day of the event
Price includes: Cart, Greens Fees, Beverages, Snacks and Lunch

All Golfers are welcome
Individual entries are welcome

Prizes

- 1st Place - \$400
- 2nd Place – Random Draw
- 3rd Place – Random Draw
- 4th Place – Random Draw

Hole-in-One at 16 wins \$500
Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin
Gift Cards and other prizes

Entry Form

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

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Mail entry form to:
Richard Hornbeak
PO Box 1215
Hopkinsville, KY 42241

Bruce Wilcox
PO Box 1215
Hopkinsville, KY 42241

Make Checks payable to: Knights of Columbus, Council #7847



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