



# Kentucky State Council Newsletter

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## Chalice Presentation

Assembly 2753 in Hopkinsville had a SK, Jerry Brockman, pass away last year. The Assembly presented a chalice to the family of SK Jerry. They asked our Associate Pastor and Council Chaplain Fr. Chris Kite if he knew of any priests that might be in need of a Chalice. Fr. Chris recommended a Seminarian named Conrad Jaconette.

Fr. Chris recently presented the Chalice to Conrad with Fr. Daniel Dillard, Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Owensboro.

**Tom O'Hagan** District Deputy 6

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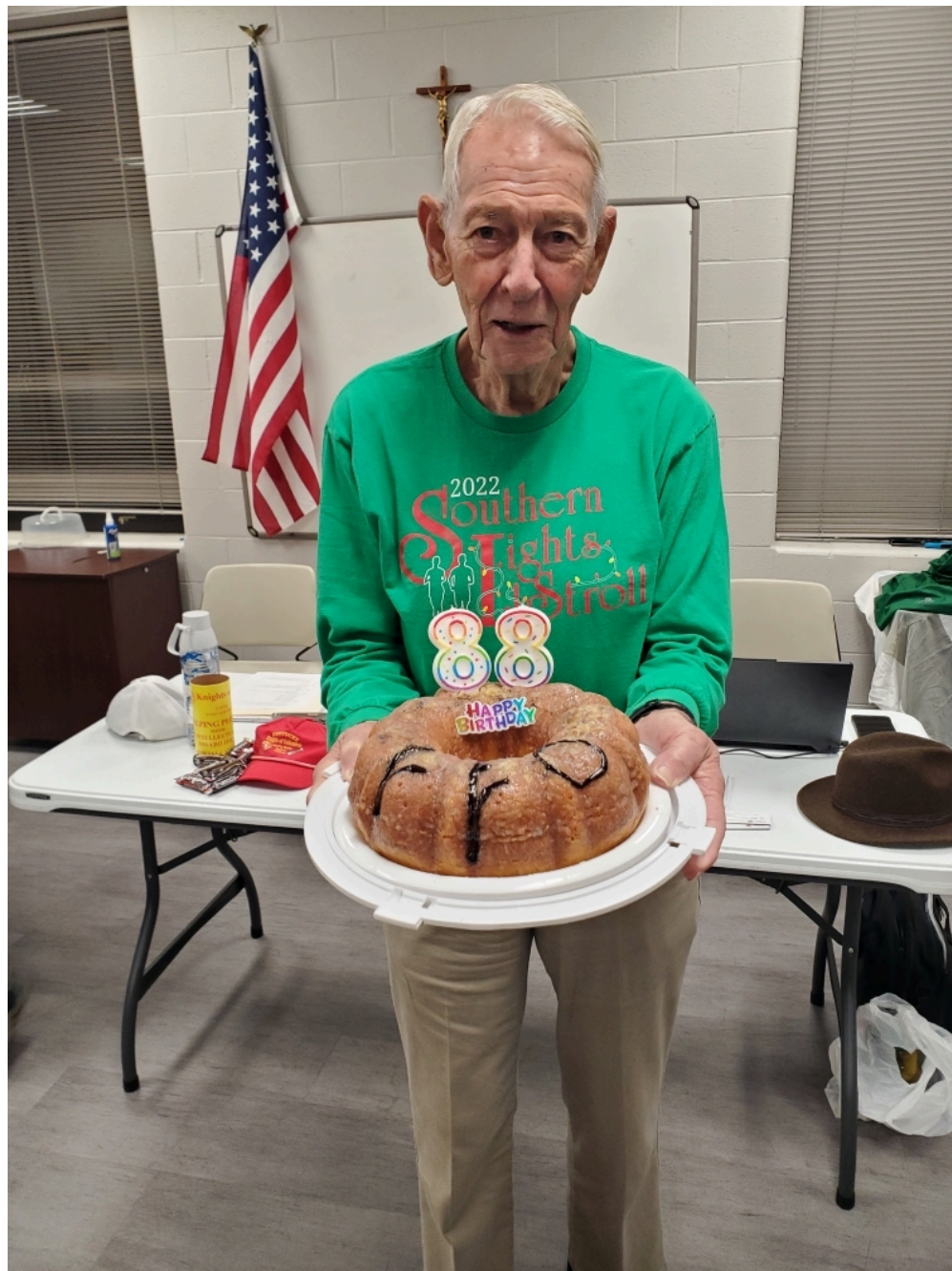
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## 88th Birthday

Council 14372 in Lexington celebrated brother Leo McMullen's 88th birthday. He is always there for the knights! Thanks for all your hard work. Leo joined the Knights of Columbus in 1958 and is an Honorary Life Member. Leo has served in many leadership positions during his time in the Knights (both in the 3rd & 4th degrees), but one of the most important roles was when he stepped up to be the first Grand Knight when Council #14374 was formed in 2007.

David Schnurr



# Acclimation by Governor Beshear

Governor Andy Beshear bestowed the Honor of Acclimation on the Kentucky Association for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities (KAPID). A photo of the acclimation is below. The text reads:

To all whom these presents shall come:

Whereas, The Knights of Columbus founded in 1882, began their charitable work to show love for their neighbor by assisting the sick, disabled, and needy: and

Whereas, in 1978, the Knights of Columbus began the Kentucky Association to offer financial assistance to organizations that offer services to and for the intellectually disabled: and

Whereas, through the Kentucky Association for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities, the Knights of Columbus host a camp each year for 50 disabled campers where they can experience fellowship, swimming, crafts, and other activities in a supervised environment while providing a respite for their families and caretakers; and

Whereas the Knights of Columbus are called to be our brothers keepers and to do so by serving the disabled;

Now, therefore, I, Andy Beshear, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky do hereby pay tribute to the Knights of Columbus for their hard work and dedication to assist with fundraising for the Kentucky Association for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities.



# Trunk or Treat

Our Parish, All Saints in Taylorsville, recently had Trunk or Treat and the Knights participated by grilling almost 200 hotdogs free of charge to all the attendees. It was a great event and everyone had a great time, in spite of the rain.

**Tim Gahlinger**

KAPID Chairman



## Three New Knights

Council #2282 in Brandenburg held an exemplification on Sunday, November 3rd in the sanctuary immediately following Mass. Three college students joined the Knights of Columbus.



## Special Olympics

### State Bowling Tournament Provides Year's Final Volunteer Opportunity

The State Bowling Tournament is coming up Dec. 7-8 in Louisville. It is the largest individual sports event of the Special Olympics Year. With multiple bowling sessions at two locations, hundreds of volunteers are needed to make sure the event operates smoothly. It also provides one of the most enjoyable volunteer experiences that the program has to offer. To register, visit [soky.org/volunteernow](http://soky.org/volunteernow). If your Council wants to volunteer as a group, contact Michaela at [mroy@soky.org](mailto:mroy@soky.org) or 502-695-8222.



### Holiday Gift Card Raffle is Can Provide Holiday Boost!

Each year Special Olympics Kentucky gives away a huge gift card package just in time for the Holidays. This year, they are once again offering a prize package in excess of \$5,000. This year's package includes \$5,150 in gift cards to some of the Holiday Season's most popular restaurants, retailers and more. We draw the winner on Dec. 13, so you could have them all before Christmas! Tickets are just \$10 each and all the money raised supports Kentucky athletes. For more information or to buy tickets, visit [sokyraffle.com](http://sokyraffle.com)



### Don't Forget to Report Volunteer Hours

If you have volunteered at any Special Olympics event including fundraising events like Polar Plunges, Truck Pulls and golf outings, don't forget to report your hours to supreme. Every hour you report is figured into the check that Supreme sends to Kentucky to present in May. For more information, contact Mark Buerger at [mbuerger@soky.org](mailto:mbuerger@soky.org) or 859-338-6075.

## Council #5220's Nuns Day

I would like to share some pictures we had from our annual nuns day event, we have hosted this event for over 20 years. We had 77 sisters attend this year, mostly from the Congregation of Divine Providence in Melbourne, KY and Sisters of Notre Dame in Park Hills, KY. We had Bingo games with prizes, invited them for a boat ride around our lake and had a cornhole tournament.

The cornhole tournament is one of their favorite activities and they get very competitive. We had the final game inside while the other sister could enjoy their ice cream. We also treated them to a dinner of homemade pasta and chicken parmesan.

### Andrew Webster

Grand Knight #5220



# STATE DEPUTY LUKE WILLIAMS



Brother Knights of Columbus,

There is a famous Healthcare consultant that has said “We have learned that the reluctance to address low/sub-par performance keep an organization from being the best.”

We have just completed our 4th month of the 2024-2025 fraternal year and our overall breakdown for Membership Growth is “Sluggish” at best.

In relation to our Membership Growth Strategic Plan goal, the KY Jurisdiction currently has councils in these 3 groups of performers. High, Medium and Low/subpar performing councils.

Our “High” performing Councils have already demonstrated a giant commitment to following the membership goal of the 2024-2025 KY Jurisdiction Strategic Plan that has been distributed. Congratulations to the 11 Councils who have already achieved 50% - 100% or better of their membership quota. You are above the scale for this point in the fraternal year. 6 of those councils are at 100% or better and have already achieved the Fr. McGivney Award. This also means they are one step closer to the Strategic Plan goal of obtaining Star Council status which demonstrates the highest commitment to making things better for their parish, community and the Knights of Columbus order. Please continue to invite as many catholic men as possible to join your council all the way up to June 30, 2025.



# WILLIAMS CONT.

Congratulations also to the 33 “Middle” performing Councils who have recruited at least one new member up to 49% of their membership growth goal. Please reach out to your District Deputy, State Membership Director or any State Officer for any help developing your further membership growth plan for the rest of the fraternal year.

Currently, we have 55 “Low/subpar” performing councils in the membership growth goal that have not yet initiated a new member into their council. This does not mean that new member recruitment has not been done, it is “Sluggish”. I am asking our District Deputies to help all councils set regular dates for Charity, Unity and Fraternity (CUF) exemplifications and advertise to all councils in the area. It will be the Councils task to advertise these exemplifications in the parishes they serve. Please make sure to invite everyone, especially families.

I am asking our District Deputies to reach out specifically to these 55 councils and provide any assistance with membership performance steps as well as let them know our State Membership Director or any State Officer will also be available to help with any challenges a council may want to discuss.

In review, the 2024-2025 Strategic Plan has 4 goals for the KY Jurisdiction that we are working to achieve.

+Membership Growth

+COR initiative expansion in our parishes.

+Partnership with our General and Field Agents of the Knights of Columbus Insurance program

+Star Council Status achievement

The membership Growth goal for the first 4 months is “Sluggish” and I challenge all 99 KY Jurisdiction Councils to be at least 60% or better of your membership growth goal by December 31, 2024.

The councils in the Kentucky Jurisdiction have a strong history of success with strategic plan goals in the past and this year is shaping up to be a “Sluggish” year with council programs that

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# WILLIAMS CONT.

help our parishes and communities. I encourage and ask councils to step up your game and let's get to work on reaching our goals.

We are all committed to work together and help develop councils from the officers to every new member with training and answers so that all can achieve the distinguished goal which is the "Star Council" status.

I and the KY State Council thank all who have the Right Stuff and who step up and bring all of us with them towards the plan goals every year. I challenge those who for whatever the reason think they do not have the Right Stuff, to reach out to your District Deputy, or myself, and we will find out specific steps to improvement on the way to achieving this year's Strategic Plan goals. For membership growth, the first step is to ask someone to join the Knights of Columbus.

**Vivat Jesus,  
Luke Williams  
KY State Deputy**

# IMMEDIATE PAST STATE DEPUTY TOM JOHNSON



## **Upcoming Mid-Year Meeting:**

This year's December Mid-Year meeting is being held in Elizabethtown, KY. This will be a one-day event. The date of the meeting is December 7th...a date that will live in infamy and the day the United States entered WWII 83 years ago.

## **Are You or Your Council Struggling?**

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. Councils are growing in "Spirit" and in numbers. If your council is not, maybe it's time for you to think outside the box.

We are now four 4 months into the fraternal year and yet there are still councils that have not completed their forms 365 and/or 1295. Only about a third of our councils are Safe Environment Compliant...WHY?

If your council is one that has not completed the forms 365 & 1295 or is not SET compliant, let's get it done this month and get that monkey off your back.

## **Reflections:**

During this month of November let us not forget the Souls in Purgatory. Our prayers are what releases them from the bonds of Purgatory and sends them on to Heaven to be with God our Heavenly Father.

# JOHNSON CONT.

By the time you read this newsletter, All Saints and All Souls days will have passed. Hopefully you were able to attend mass on November 1st in celebration of All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation.

The 2024 Presidential election will also be over. Whether your candidate won or lost, I hope you voted. If the results of this election were as tight as the polls suggest, you can bet that there will be finger pointing and turmoil from the losing party. Try not to let the “outside” noise of the presidential election consume you.

We should turn our focus this month to slowing down a bit. The fall leaves will have gone, the days have gotten shorter, the nights longer and the temperatures cooler. A spirit of closeness and family begin to fill our hearts. Thanksgiving is just weeks away and the Advent Season will be here before you know it.

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 showing us the way. We just need to follow His path and do His work of bringing men and their families back into the Catholic Faith.

God is Good! All the Time!

**Vivat Jesus,  
Tom Johnson  
Immediate Past State Deputy**



# STATE SECRETARY DICK BURNS



Brothers Knights,

## **Celebrations!**

Congratulations to:

- Msgr. Hugh O'Sullivan Council 2046 in Whitesville celebrates its 105th Anniversary on November 30th!
- St. Henry Council 11453 in Hardin/Aurora celebrates its 30th Anniversary on November 1st
- Bishop Maes Holy Cross Council 17445 in Covington celebrates its 5th Anniversary on November 10

I'm sure they have many more ahead of them.

## **Tempus Fugit!**

I just celebrated my 73rd rotation of the Sun by running out of Medicare-funded PT sessions for my rotator cuff repair, and my first cortisone shot in my knee. Getting old ain't for sissies and some days I'm not sure it beats the alternative.

I'm not sure we keep records, but I suspect in two years, State Convention Delegates willing, I'll become the oldest serving State Deputy. But my record will only stand for two years until Worthy State Treasurer Gary Dykhuis succeeds me. As I say at every State meeting, thank you, Gary, for keeping me from being the oldest State Officer!

# BURNS CONT.

## **Memento Mori!**

Starting with All Saints Day and All Souls Day, November is a time when we remember our dearly departed for their love and support. I hope each council holds a day of remembrance for our lost Brothers.

## **Recruit! and Retain!**

We're 4 months into the Fraternal Year and 6 councils have already met or exceeded their Quota! **A BIG Congratulations!** to

- Bishop Carroll Council 702 in Bellevue
- Holy Rosary Council 1055 in Paducah
- St. Theresa Council 2282 in Brandenburg
- Fr. Francis L. Sampson Council 15914 in Ft. Campbell
- Fr. Stephen Badin Council 18126 in Shelbyville
- St. Michael the Archangel Council 18284 in Ft. Mitchell

5 other councils have already met or exceeded 50% of their membership quota this year and are well on their way to making Star Council.

44 Councils have brought at least one new member into the Order so far.

That leaves 55 Councils who haven't made this important step to continue the success of their council. If you didn't get to attend the Fishers of Men webinar, try to find it at KofC.org. All you have to do is ask! Those of you with access to Officers Online can download a free pdf of the brochure "Fishers of Men / Renewing our Culture of Invitation" at Supplies Online.

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!



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# BURNS CONT.

## **New Council And Round Table Development!**

We have several target parishes we're going to be working with across the state. Stay tuned and let me know if I can help you.

## **Elections!**

November 5th is our opportunity to participate in the democratic process and vote our conscience. Everyone is encouraged to vote even if, as Pope Francis puts it, the best we can do is to choose the lesser of two evils.

**Vivat Jesus,  
Dick Burns  
State Secretary**

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



# STATE TREASURER GARY DYKHUIS



## **Worthy Brothers,**

### **Happy Veterans Day and Thanksgiving!!**

It is time to give thanksgiving. As we start this month with All Saints Day in which we commemorate all those saintly people that came before us. All Souls Day was next as we recognized all that paved the way to Heaven for us. Please pray for the Souls in Purgatory, and get released to go to heaven.

As we gather with family on Thanksgiving Day, we give thanks together. November 1621, after the Pilgrims' first corn harvest proved successful, Governor William Bradford organized a celebratory feast and invited a group of fledging colony's' Native American allies.

It is time also to remember all our Veterans and current members of Armed Forces, November 11. Please wish also wish past and current Marines (USMC) a "Happy Birthday" on November 10th.

We are almost halfway through the Fraternal Year, is your council working to be a Star council? Have you welcomed that new Family to your parish and to your council? If your council is struggling and is in the need for help, please contact any of the state officers, your District Deputy. We are just a phone call away, but you need to ask.



# DYKHUIS CONT.

Compliments for all the hard work done this last month, please have someone in your file a **Fraternal Programs Report form #10784.**

## **State Mid-Year Meeting!**

A Great Meeting will be the Mid-Year Meeting in Elizabethtown December 6-7, 2024. A good meeting with lots of information for District Deputies, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries.

Our State Deputy Luke Williams will have New Information from the Mid-Year Meeting with Supreme. Membership Chairman Tom O'Hagan will give a very an inspirational message for recruiting new Members. See you there!

## **Recruit and Retain**

Have you invited new member to join your council? This is the Fifth month of the Fraternal Year; we need to recruit New Members and Families. Use you iPhone, and search for "Join Kofc" and Promo **Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY**. The new Young Members and Families have the Best Ideas and know some of best practices. Make sure you are checking your "Prospect Report" for new online members, call them and invite them to your council meeting.

Please remember, there are three ways to have Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on line, or you can read the ceremony, the best way is to hold an Exemplification after a Sunday MASS. You can invite the congregation to be a part. This is a Great way to have a New Third-Degree member, with some Great New Ideas and can help with our projects the Council has. Please welcome former members to come back to the order. Ask any Affiliate Member to come back.

## **Have a Blessed Day!**

**Vivat Jesus!!**

**Gary Dykhuis**

**State Treasurer**

# STATE ADVOCATE MIKE KUCHENBROD



Worthy Brothers,

November is here, get out and vote!

We have a responsibility, especially in the 4th degree, to participate in elections and preserve the integrity of the ballot. Look up the candidates and check their performance record, some will have been asked about their pro life stance but not all. Try to know the candidate before you arrive so you can help get the best representatives in office.

For those who have turned in their Form 365 (Service Program Personnel Report), Thank You. Please watch for the invitation from Praesidium Academy to meet the Safe Environment Training for those who need to complete this training. If you have completed this training in the last 2 years, the training is good for three years.

Reports as of today still show 38 councils not submitting their 365 successfully. This can result from either not submitting at all, or not filling in one of the required positions. These could be Youth Protection required Directors or your Membership Director as that position also needs to be filled for the 365 to be complete. Please review your status and add those missing position assignments.

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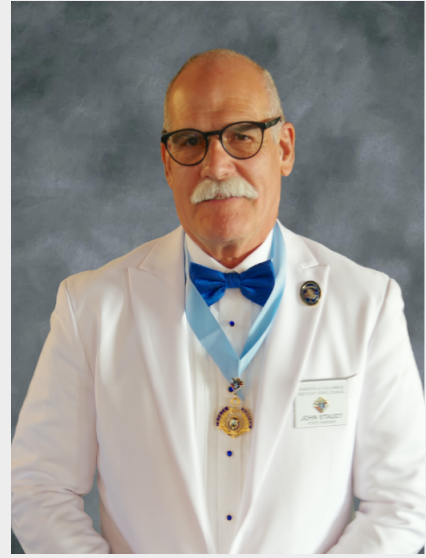
We need to achieve our “Safe Environment Training” goals. This means, Grand Knight, Program Director, Family Director, and Community Director need to complete the training. If you have completed this training in the last three years, you are good to go. It is on line training and takes about an hour to complete. The Councils that sponsor youth events like Free Throw Competitions, Soccer Challenge, Keep Christ in Christmas Poster, etc. “Safe Environment Training” (SET) is a must. You must have at least two SET Knights at these events (one must have a background check). If you cannot meet this requirement, you should not conduct this event. The same requirement is for youth helping you in your events (Fish fries, pancake breakfast, chicken cooks).

## Recruit and Retain

We have eight more months to recruit New Members and Families in our Kentucky Knights of Columbus order. This is a Gift that needs to be offered to each Catholic man and his Family. There still is FREE MEMBERSHIP. for a New Member and he can join on his iPhone, cell phone by going to [www.KofC.Org](http://www.KofC.Org). The new Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY. The new Young Members and Families have the Best Ideas and know some of best practices.

**Vivat Jesus,  
Mike Kuchenbrod  
State Advocate**

# STATE WARDEN JOHN STAUDT



Worthy Brothers,

The Football Frenzy has been under way for four weeks now. Congratulations to all the winners thus far. Four more weeks to go and more winners will be announced. I will continue to post the winners in an email each week. Thank you to all the councils who participated. Good luck and I hope you enjoy your winnings.

This fundraiser for the Kentucky Knights of Columbus State Charities goes to the General Fund and is for people in need with grant requests and administrative costs associated with running the State Charity, such as mailings and supplies. If your council sold 25 or more tickets, it qualifies your council towards the State Deputy Award. The first principle of the Knights of Columbus is, “Charity”, and without funding, our charitable arm cannot provide funding and grants to those in most need. Recipients of the grants are not restricted to Catholics or religious needs; anyone may be a recipient if the need qualifies.

Your council will receive a portion of the proceeds, after expenses, and are split between all the councils who sold tickets. I am working on that now and portions of the proceeds will be coming soon to your councils. The state charity is financially sound and councils and individuals are encouraged to apply for a grant for a worthy cause.

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# STAUDT CONT.

The next charity fund raiser will be the Basketball Slam. The tickets will be distributed at the Mid-Year Meeting in December. The sale of the 2024-2025 Basketball Slam Sweepstake tickets is the only fundraiser for the Kentucky Knights of Columbus Disaster Relief Program. The funding for this program will assist in the implementation of resource and distribution centers, first responder support and staging, points of distribution, emergency volunteer personnel support for shelters and food distribution, and parish preparation support.

**Vivat Jesus,  
John Staudt  
State Warden**



# MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR TOM O’HAGAN



## HUGE ANNOUNCEMENT KY MEMBERSHIP GROWTH INCENTIVE

### Incentives for 2024 – 2025 Fraternal Year

Everybody deserves a little reward for doing a good job. We hope that you will find a reward that is marginally worthy of your work to grow the Jurisdiction and the Order and to get more Catholic Men involved in our charitable good work.

To reward those great advocates for the Knights of Columbus, who work all year long, we have a couple of incentives to reward their efforts. Let’s celebrate those members and even those non-members that are constantly helping more Catholic Men participate in Catholic charity and work for the betterment of the Church.

### District Deputies

Every District Deputy who earns Star District Award for Fraternal Year 2024-25 in addition to the Supreme award will receive a 7X9 Portfolio and 2 pc Pen set with KofC logo.

### Council – July 1st thru March 31st

Award to be presented at the 2025 State Convention to the Grand Knight

Those councils that reach:

- **200% Membership Growth of Quota or better** will receive a liter bottle of Woodford Reserve Bourbon inscribed with KofC logo.
- **150% Membership Growth of Quota up to 199%** will receive a mounted Louisville Slugger baseball bat inscribed with KofC logo.

# O'HAGAN CONT.

- **100% Membership Growth of Quota up to 149%** will receive a Wood 3-pc Oak set inscribed with KofC logo.

Brothers we are into the 2nd Quarter of this Fraternal Year.

- 36 councils have welcomed 117 new members. Congratulations! Where are the other 63 councils in Kentucky? Remember you have to ask them to join your council.
- Congratulations to Councils 702, 1055, 2282, 15914, 18126 and 18284 for reaching or surpassing their membership quota.
- Council 390, 707, 4665, 5634, 7847, 12923, 14604, 15931 has reached SET, Founders Awards, congratulations
- Council 2282, 15914, 18126 have reached SET, McGivney, Founders Awards, congratulations
- GKs have you schedule your Council Church Membership Drive? – [Order Church Drive Kits - how-to-order-delta-church-drive-kit.pdf \(kofc.org\)](#)
- There are over 100 'Assigned' candidates/prospects that want to be in your council. Please review your council list, contact these e-members and invite them to your next CUF Exemplification. We are not growing fast enough. We are not conducting CUF Exemplifications fast or often enough. Each council should be scheduling a CUF monthly. They want to help your council succeed, contact them.
- Is your council using the State Council Recruitment Card? Your membership team should be handing them out to every prospective man. They are easy to use and effective. Use your Phone and Promo Code BLESSEDMCGIVNEY. Be sure to add your Council number to the front of the card to avoid the dreaded 'Unassigned' prospect list
- Be Fishers of Men! – Watch the Training Webinar

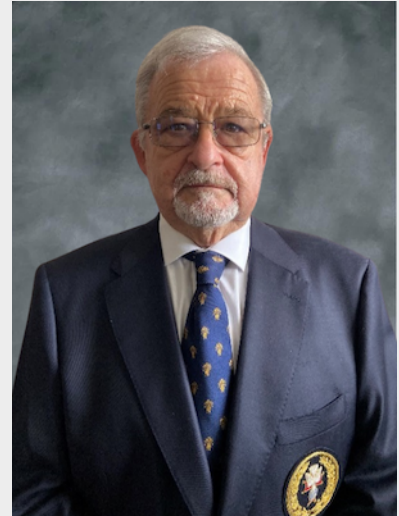
# O'HAGAN CONT.

	Month Actual v Quota	Year Actual v Quota
New Members	21 v 38	117 v 501
Councils With No YTD Adds		63 v 99
Form 365 Not Submitted (108)	44	
Form 185 Not Submitted (108)	18	
Roundtable	0 v 13	5 v 13
Form 1295 SA Audit (108)		34 Delinquent

**Vivat Jesus!**  
**Tom O'Hagan**  
**KY State Membership Director**



# DISTRICT MASTER JIM WHARTON



## Why is 11-11 Veterans Day?

These memorial gestures all took place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the celebrated ending of World War I fighting, at 11 AM November 11, 1918 (the 11th hour, of the 11th day, on the 11th month). The day originally was known as Armistice Day, in 1954 President Dwight Eisenhower renamed the date as Veterans Day and it is now dedicated to veterans of all branches of the United States military.

On November 11th (Veterans Day) we honor all the brave men and women who have served in the United States military.

Veterans Day is not to be confused with Memorial Day, which is to remember all our veterans that gave the ultimate sacrifice.

To all my veterans sisters and brothers, thank you for your service especially to Vietnam veterans "Welcome Home".

**Vivat Jesus!**  
**Jim Wharton**  
**District Master**

# WHARTON CONT.



## **Degree of Patriotism**

### *The Emblem*

The Knights of Columbus, an array of dedicated Catholic gentlemen, glory in the epithet:

*“The right arm of the Catholic Church.”*

Sir Knights of the Fourth Degree deem it an honor and privilege to carry the triad emblem, which features the Dove, Cross, and Globe. Our honored Order cherishes its patron, Christopher Columbus. *Christopher “Christ-bearer” Columbus.* The Dove of Peace symbolizes the Paraclete. The Cross of Christ is the sign of our Christian faith; similarly, the Globe depicts the New World, the miraculous discovery of Columbus. Spiritually, the sacred symbols fashioned on our sword and lapel pin typify the union of the three divine Persons in one Godhead, the Most Holy Trinity.

*The Globe – God the Father, Creator of the Universe*

*The Cross – God the Son, Redeemer of Mankind*

*The Dove – God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of Humanity*

God willing, may we, Christian Soldiers in the Columbian Crusade, lend loyalty to our honored Order, Patriotism to our beloved America, and Devotion to Holy Mother Church, all for the greater glory of God Almighty!

# GENERAL AGENT DANIEL SCHACHLE



## **Knights of Columbus can assist with Extended Care Planning**

Brothers, this time of year, we give thanks for the many blessings in our lives. I'm thankful to call each of you my brother Knight, and I give thanks to God for all he has helped us do in your communities this year. Like many of you, I became a Knight out of love for my family. I wanted to join other Catholic men in becoming a better man, husband and father. I wanted to be a better protector of my family.

Knights of Columbus is your capable partner in this pursuit. In addition to helping form members in faith, we also offer a variety of insurance solutions to help you protect your family financially. One way to protect your family is to start thinking about your family's future and how an extended care event could have a large negative financial impact. Do you know somebody that has experienced an extended care life event – if so, how did that impact their family's situation? Your K of C Field Agent can help you prepare for the possibility that you or your spouse may one day need extended care.

**November is Long-Term Care Awareness Month.** With that in mind, I would like to share a valuable resource available to you and your family and would encourage you to check this out. **WhatCareCosts** gives you access to view the costs of Skilled Nursing Homes, Home Health

# SCHACHLE CONT.

Aides and Assisted Living Facilities in your area and across the country. This service is available free of charge to all our members regardless of whether you have an insurance policy with Knights of Columbus. Visit [www.whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus](http://www.whatcarecosts.com/KnightsofColumbus) **and enter sponsor code “KofC” to get started.**

We want to help families focus on spending quality time with their loved ones – not the financial cost of caring for them. Now is the time to prepare for your family’s future needs. Your Knights of Columbus agent can help you review your financial goals and ensure you have an extended care plan in place. Talk to him to set up an appointment.

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

**Dan Schachle, FICF, PGK**

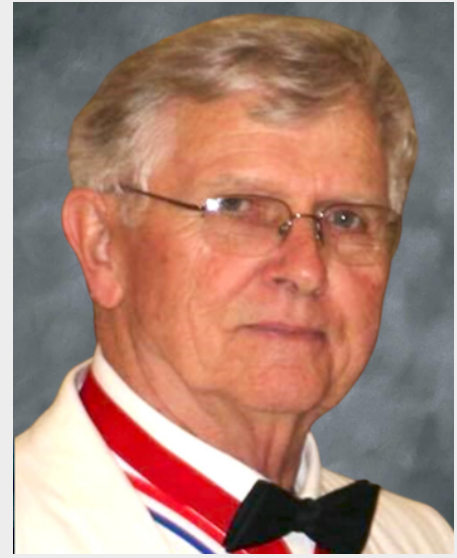
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PS: Please ask your K of C Field Agent about the [Knights of Columbus Gift of a Lifetime Brochure](#) to learn more about planning for extended care. Thank you for your time, and I wish you and your loved ones a blessed Thanksgiving.

# STATE HISTORIAN BILLY HANCOCK

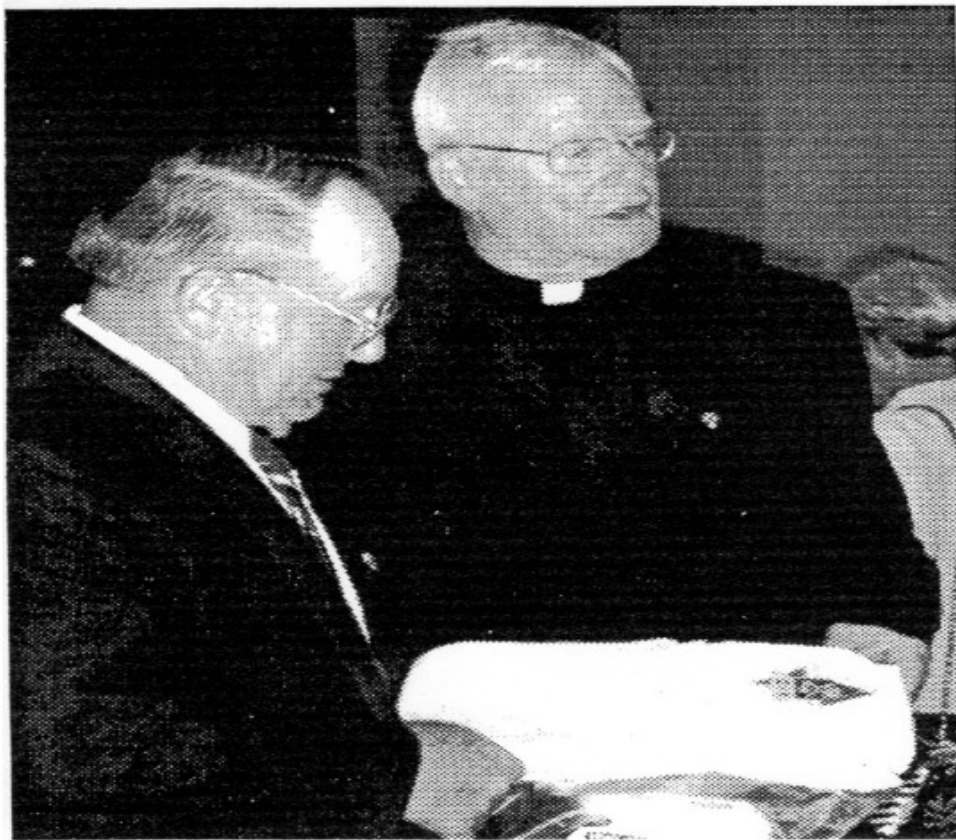


Father Roy E. Dentinger AKA Father D

The following article by Sheila Harris was published in the July 2000 edition of the Kentucky Knights of Columbus newspaper as a tribute to Father D on the occasion of his 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Father continued to serve as a Priest for another fifteen years.

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# HANCOCK CONT.



Outgoing State Deputy Charles "Squack" Jones and State Chaplain Fr. Roy Detinger

**By Sheila Harris**  
 Kentucky Knights of Columbus State Chaplain Father Roy Detinger celebrated his 50th anniversary of his ordination into the priesthood June 10 at his home parish of St. Francis Assisi in Louisville. The 5:30 p.m. mass was celebrated to a packed house.

A reception followed in the parish hall where outgoing State Deputy Charles "Squack" Jones presented Fr. "D" with a custom made stole, decorated with the Knights of Columbus emblem.

Fr. Detinger was ordained on June 3, 1950 at the Cathedral of the Assumption in Louisville by the late Archbishop John A. Floersh.

Father was baptized at St. James in Louisville, but his hometown parish is St. Francis of Assisi where he attended school and celebrated his first mass as a priest.

Fr. Detinger's laid back life has included being a teacher at three high schools; working in the chancery office for 14 years; pastor of three parishes; contact chaplain at Fort Know, off and on since 1952; and serving as the state chaplain for the Kentucky KCs since 1998.

He began serving the state council under the leadership of Jones when Jones became the state deputy and will continue his role when new State Deputy Gene Roberts takes office.

Fr. "D" is always there for us and we thank God we found a man like him to be part of this grand organization.

Thank you and God's blessing for all you do, Fr. Detinger! And Father, a big red ribbon to you because we are very proud of you.

# HANCOCK CONT.

Father D was a Knight for 39 years beginning his tenure in 1976. He served as Chaplain for the Father Diemert Council 3379, Vine Grove for a number of years. State Deputy Charles “Squack” Jones asked Father D to serve as State Chaplain beginning in 1998. Thus, the beginning of a long and distinguished period of service as State Chaplain. Having served from 1998-2002 and then again from 2006-2013. This is a testament to six State Deputies that were smart enough to hold on to him.

This extract from his biography only tells a portion of the Father D story. The Knights of Columbus have a motto “in Service to one, in Service to all. Father D so exemplified that motto that the Kentucky Knights named their lifetime Service Award “the Dentinger Lifetime Service Award”. The Award was instituted in 2012 and Father D was the first recipient. His biography is testament to his worthiness of the award. While service to others was a major aspect of the man it was his ability to tell stories, his kindness and his humility that endeared him to his 11,000 brother Kentucky Knights. Father D was a skilled homilist and raconteur his humor was always close to the surface and almost always had a lesson behind it.

Our oldest numbered Council 390, Louisville, is named for Father D.

Father D passed away peacefully at age 89 on June 23, 2015 at Nazareth House. His Mass of Christian Burial was at St. Brigid Church, Vine Grove. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery.

**Submitted for the November 2024 Newsletter by:  
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PS: Check out the requirements for the Dentinger Lifetime Service Award and nominate someone worthy.

## Local Events



JOIN US AS WE  
STAND WITNESS  
TO THE SANCTITY  
OF LIFE FROM  
CONCEPTION TO  
NATURAL DEATH.

MORE THAN 150  
CHURCHES,  
SCHOOLS AND  
ORGANIZATIONS  
HAVE COME  
TOGETHER  
ANNUALLY FOR  
OVER 50 YEARS TO  
PROMOTE THE  
RIGHT FOR LIFE  
FOR ALL HUMAN  
BEINGS.

WILL YOUR  
CHURCH, SCHOOL,  
OR  
ORGANIZATION  
BE REPRESENTED?

# SAVE THE DATE

Annual Pro-Life  
Memorial Mass

JANUARY 18, 2025

NEW TIME  
10 AM

ST. GABRIEL CATHOLIC  
CHURCH

5505 BARDSTOWN ROAD RD  
LOUISVILLE, KY 40291

IF YOUR GROUP WOULD LIKE  
TO HELP  
SPONSOR THIS MASS,

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# CALENDAR

## December

Mid-Year Meeting 6-7  
Christmas 25

## January

KY March for Life 23

## March

Founders Day 29

## May

State Convention 2-4

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