

# STATE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

## Praying the Rosary for America



In communion with a number of nearby parishes, and joining 13,000 other American cities, council 14130 was represented at the 2014 National Rosary Crusade on October 11th celebrating the 97th Anniversary of the Great Sign at Fatima.

Diocesan Administrator, Fr. Nieberding, lead the Rosary and Sister Georgette lead the Divine Chaplet on Nicholasville Rd. (Lexington) near EMW abortuary.

### State Deputy visits local councils

Our State Deputy, Frank Shay has a goal of visiting all the councils in Kentucky this year. A lofty goal indeed but he is off to a strong start. The State Deputy has visited the following councils this month:

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Council #1455 Elizabethtown  
 Council #15211 St. Timothy  
 Council #3379 Vine Grove  
 Council #1955 Paris  
 Council #10988 Calvert City  
 Council #14604 Mt. Mercy  
 Council #10682 St. Louis  
 Bertrand  
 Council #15931 Ave Maria  
 Council #15484 St. Charles/St.  
 Sebastian

### October, 2014

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*"In service to one, in service to all."*

### Calendar

1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	Oct. 25
State Soccer Challenge	Nov. 8
KofC Memorial Mass	Nov. 12
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree	Nov. 15
Mid-year meeting	Dec. 6 & 7
Christmas	Dec. 25

Council #13196 St. Edward  
 Council #4473 Assumption  
 Council #14993 Mary Queen of Heaven  
 Council #6897 Fr. Joseph Saffer  
 Council #1483 Frankfort  
 Council #7847 Monsignor James Willett

## Local News



Vision of Hope Banquet. Fundraising dinner for Little Way Pregnancy Resource Center, Louisville September 18th.



Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary council in Lexington participated in the Big Brown Truck Pull raising over \$1,200 for Special Olympics of Central Kentucky.



All Saints Council is small and most of the work is done by an even smaller group of Knights. To re-energize the group we rented a local movie theater to show the documentary about the life of Fr. McGivney and invited all Kentucky Knights, as well as their family and friends as our guests. In addition, before the movie we had a private 1st degree ceremony and welcomed 2 new brother Knights. It was a great way to combine a fun outing, meet new friends, and learn something in the process.

The annual Diocesan Seminary Ball will be held on Friday, October 24th. This ball is sponsored by the Diocese of Covington, the Serra Club and the Knights of Columbus. Two members from Fr. Kehoe Council served on the committee. They are: SD Frank Shay and PSD Carl Biery. The ball will be held at the Northern Kentucky Convention Center. This is always a nice affair and brings in thousands of dollars to support the education of all our seminarians. The cost is \$80 which includes parking, social, dinner and program. If interested contact Carl Biery at 859-781-5054 or Frank Shay at 606-465-9446.



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Members of council #5453 Bishop Ackerman attended the Reds/Mets game on Saturday, September 6th. Brother Mike Madden and the Color Guard of Boy Scout Troop #727 at Immaculate Heart of Mary presented our nation's colors on the field prior to the start of the game.



St Mildred Council 14128, Somerset held a Silver Rose Prayer Service on Sept 19th. Approximately 186 Parishioners participated in the Blessed Event.



Council #14130 Held a Spaghetti Dinner to raise money for the local Catholic radio station Real Life Radio 1380AM.



## Local News cont.



Council #14130 Christ the King (top photo) sold kettle corn and council #15707 San Pablo (bottom photo) sold tamales at a festival to raise money for Sts. Peter and Paul Regional Catholic School in Lexington.



Sacred Heart Council 5071, Corbin held the Silver Rose Prayer Service on Sept 20th. The Rose was presented during the Saturday Vigil Mass followed by a special prayer service.

## Local News cont.



In Martin, KY some of our brothers in the Stewards of Appalachia completely renovate a trailer for a poor disabled couple and rebuild a collapsed porch for an elderly poor couple. This makes you proud of being a Knight and gives a living example of our belief in Charity. Thanks to the Stewards of Appalachia for all the good they do in Jesus' name.



## World News

Marnie McAllister. "Archbishop Kurtz offers his intervention at synod" *The Record* Oct. 8



Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz, in the second week of a three-week long trip to Rome, delivered his intervention — or presentation — to the extraordinary Synod of Bishops on Oct. 7. He is taking part in the synod in his role as the president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The Archbishop of Louisville said during a phone interview after giving his intervention that he spoke primarily about marriage and the need for pastoral outreach to families experiencing difficulties.

He and the other bishops taking part in the synod have been asked not to disclose the text of their interventions, so they may feel free to speak "frankly for the good of the church," the archbishop said.

The synod is considering a range of issues related to family life, some of which are controversial. Summaries of the bishops' interventions are published daily by the Vatican without the authors' names, the archbishop said.

"I see our primary task as restoring confidence in marriage, uncovering the beauty of the teachings of Jesus" on marriage, he said in the phone interview. "But pastoral actions, in every age, involve some creativity. And that is the task of the synod."

In a video interview by Catholic News Service, Archbishop Kurtz explained in more detail, "Our Holy Father has said this is not a synod dealing with doctrinal change, but it is a synod seeking, I would say, creative pastoral ways to reach out to people."

A fundamental issue for the synod, he said, is restoring confidence in the vocation of marriage, asserting that a permanent marriage founded on sacrificial love is attainable.

The second issue, he said, is "How do we walk with people who themselves have experienced difficulties? I would like to say there's no perfect family and so that's really every family."

During his trip to Rome, the archbishop also had a brief meeting with Pope Francis on Oct. 4.

"It was a very, very good meeting. The Holy Father of course loves to learn more and more about the Catholic Church in the United States. While it isn't formally announced, it's his intention to come to Philadelphia next year," Archbishop Kurtz said.

The 30-minute meeting concluded a week of visits with the Roman curia, part of the archbishop's duties as the president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

## Awards



Bowling Green council received the Contest of Champions Award for net gain of 47 members in 2013 - 2014.



DD Charles Buchanan receiving the Star District Award for 2013-2014



Grand Knight Jamie Courtney accepts the Columbian Award for 2013-2014 for council 1955 in Paris.

## Awards cont.



PGK John Lazzari receiving council #14372's Star Council Award from DD Ed Quin.



PGK John Connell receiving council #15452's Triple Star Council Award from DD Steve O'Bryan. This is the 1<sup>st</sup> Triple Star Council Award issued by Supreme in Kentucky.



## From the State Deputy, Frank Shay



Brothers – I hope by now all of you are aware of the fact that Kentucky made its September quota for the World Series Membership

next August. Some councils have also hit the 100% quota level giving their Grand Knights a second entry into the drawing.

Now that fall is here and the weather is changing we need to begin to plan for the Mid-Year meeting. This year the meetings will be on the December 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at the Ramada

Plaza at 9700 Bluegrass Parkway, Jeffersontown, KY 40299. The hotel

has given us a great room rate of \$74.95 plus tax. Tax in Louisville is just under 17%. Please make

reservations early since the Special Olympics is also going to be staying at

the hotel and the hotel says they will be 100% booked. They will hold rooms for us

until November 14<sup>th</sup> after which there is no guarantee you will be able to get a room at

the hotel. Be sure to book early. Reservations must be made by phone and the number is 502-491-4830. Please be sure

to ask for the Knights of Columbus rate. I will be sending out more detailed information in the next few days.

Contest. In the process we eliminated Connecticut and now face Georgia in the Finals. We need 57 new members in October to pick up the October prize money. We should be able to do this if all of us take advantage of the October Blitz campaign. Have frequent first degrees and when needed use the CD. Councils should also look at the chances to win VIP points in the contest. Some of our councils have already won. We are doing very well keep it up.

A number of councils are at or over 50% of quota which gives their Grand Knight an entry into the drawing for the At-Large delegate spot for the Supreme Convention



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## From the State Secretary, Gabe Cabral

It has been said “The most valuable commodity now for many people is **time**” and, “...**time** is an ever shrinking commodity”. My Brother Knights, the Fraternal Year is off and running and I hope your Council’s Programs, Activities and Membership recruiting is off and running. If you find your council is a behind where you planned to be according to your timeline, you can still make up this time and get back on track! Recruiting drives can happen whenever you want them and are not tied to a specific calendar period. The month of October happens to be pretty good target for the Knights because of Columbus Day October 13, 2014.

In my somewhat ordinary, average life, time has become so precious that I can often be found awake well after midnight virtually every day. I also find myself writing my Knights of Columbus newsletter articles while attending “required” meetings at work. While I don’t like the idea of listening with only one ear in these meetings, I have decided it’s a better use of my time to be do something useful in an otherwise unproductive period. My emails have gone from a typical written letter style to something that is short, direct and to the point. Who knows, we may all be headed toward a communication style similar to phone texting language-Heaven help us.

Whenever I start writing these newsletter articles, I usually have a

specific topic I plan to focus on. More often than not, the final version is so different from what I set out to write that it has I hardly recognize it. This one turned out to be primarily about time and time management-pretty much on topic for what I had planned. Speaking of time, remember that next month (Sunday November 2, 2014) is Daylight Savings Time. The good news is you will have an extra hour that month. The bad news is it comes at 2:00 AM and your daylight will end sooner than ever.

Gabe Cabral

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## From District Master, Gary Dykhuis

**October Events;** An explorer and navigator Christopher Columbus was born in 1451 in the Republic of Genoa, Italy. His first voyage into the Atlantic Ocean in 1476 nearly cost him his life. Columbus participated in several other expeditions to Africa. 1492, Columbus left Spain in the Santa Maria, with the Pinta and the Niña alongside. He has been credited for opening up the Americas to European colonization. Columbus Day first became an official state holiday in Colorado in 1906, and became a Federal Holiday in the United States in 1937, though people have celebrated Columbus's voyage since the colonial period. In 1792, New York City and other U.S. cities celebrated the 300th anniversary of his landing in the New World. President Benjamin Harrison called upon the people of the United States to celebrate Columbus Day on the 400th anniversary of the event. During the four hundredth anniversary in 1892, teachers, preachers, poets and politicians used Columbus Day rituals to teach ideals of patriotism. These patriotic rituals were framed around themes such as support for war, citizenship boundaries, the importance of loyalty to the nation, and celebrating social progress. Today we celebrate Columbus Day October 13th



Please also welcome the two new Sir Knights Father Steven Hohman and Father Joseph Babu, of the Owensboro Diocese. It is always an honor for me to Knight a Pastor, into the Fourth Degree.

**October Birthdays:** Please wish Faithful Navigator Richard Scherrer, Monsignor Bouchet Assembly, Louisville a happy birthday. If I missed you, please let me know.

**Faithful Navigators:** Our next Exemplification is still in the planning stages and will be the Pikesville/Prestonsburg area March 14<sup>th</sup>. We will be starting a new Assembly in that area, also. Our next Exemplification will be in May, hopefully the first weekend. Please let me know if you would like to host an Exemplification. This is a good way to increase your Assembly membership. Tennessee is having an Exemplification November 8 in Clarksville, contact TN District Master Michael J. Porter, PSD, Home 615/847-4295 or Cell 615/308-6777.

Make sure that your Assembly has filed your IRS forms (990).

Vivat Jesus,

SK Gary Dykhuis,  
Kentucky District Master

## From Membership Director, Billy R. Hancock

“The best way to eat an elephant is one bite at a time!” Ridiculous saying really, as none of us would actually want to eat an elephant, but it gives a metaphorical picture of how we can get things done without feeling overwhelmed!

Sometimes the whole thing just looks too big to tackle. And when something seems too big to tackle, often we don't bother at all as we just don't know where to start – we simply feel overwhelmed. If we break it down into smaller chunks, however, it seems a lot more feasible for us to achieve it. - Janice Haddon

Our elephant is quotas to achieve recognition for meeting or exceeding Supreme quotas. Lack of response by Councils to attain their membership and insurance quotas and to progress toward Star Council might be an indicator of being overwhelmed. Let's take the elephant and get it down to monthly servings. As a minimum what does that bite consist of for October?

1. Membership intake quota - a minimum of 57. Across the board that is less than 1 member per Council, 3 members per District. Chomp.
2. October recruiting event – each Council should have one scheduled to conduct and report to the District Deputy. The DD in turn is to report the results to the State Membership Director. Chomp.

3. A minimum of one First Degree per District per month. Chomp.

This is the last month for the World Series of Membership contest. Almost \$1700.00 in incentives is there for the taking. To put it in the bank membership intake must meet or exceed 57 and we must show a positive net/net. Let's work together to make it happen.

Six Councils are now listed on the HONOR ROLL. They got there by achieving or exceeding their membership quota. At 177.78% Christ the King Council 14130, Lexington, tops the list. They have also achieved their insurance quota. The Jurisdictions newest Council 15979, St Margaret Mary, Louisville, is second at 150% of quota. Third in line is Fr. Kapaun Council 12965, Oak Grove, with 125%. The roll concludes with three Councils at 100%: Fr. McGivney Council 12502, Independence, Pax Christi Council 15613, Lexington, and Fr. Sampson Council 15914, Fort Campbell. The Honor Roll is updated and posted to the State website as changes occur.

Bill Hancock, PSD  
Membership Director



## FROM PROGRAM DIRECTOR KENT HOSKINS PROGRAMMING TIP OF THE MONTH

Try instituting a “Family Night” at your Council. This doesn’t have to be expensive or fancy. Have pizza or hot dogs. Mom gets a night off from cooking and dishes and the kids love it. After the meal you can play board games or indoor sports like corn hole. At our Council we’re going to have “Movie Night”. The idea is to promote the family. At the Regional Meetings two weeks ago Father Mario introduced a new program from Supreme Council entitled “Building the Domestic Church”. This initiative focuses on strengthening our own families by doing more things

together, as a family. Praying together, volunteering together, and yes, even having fun together are just a few things that come to mind. I believe that something like “Family Night” might be a good way to get this program started. As always call or email with any questions/suggestions/ideas.

**Kent Hoskins**

**Program Chairman**

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## SD visits local councils

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**Council #1455 Elizabethtown**



**Council #1955 Paris**



**Council #10988 Calvert City**



**Council #15211 St. Timothy**



**Council #3379 Vine Grove Social Meeting**

