

# STATE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

## 25th anniversary of Hope Unlimited Family Care Center



25th anniversary of Hope Unlimited Family Care Center in Paducah. The Knights of Columbus has now provided them with two ultrasound machines.

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

### Calendar

- Sept. 20-21.....Regional meetings
- Sept. 27-28.....Regional meetings

## 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:

- Council #12965 Oak Grove
- Council #14471 Louisville
- Council #6101 Owensboro
- Council #10962 Paducah
- Council #12923 Campbellsville
- Council #7387 Hawesville

## Local News

I am pleased to inform you that Supreme has announced the award of the Thomas V. Daly and Father Michael J. McGivney Seminarian Scholarships. A total of six seminarians in Kentucky have been awarded a scholarship this year. These are awards of \$1,250, which are for tuition assistance, and are mailed directly to the seminary. Those awarded a scholarship were:

Recipient	Diocese
Robert Barnell	Louisville
James Harris	Louisville
Terrance DeSilva	Lexington
James Schaeper	Covington
Britton Hennesey	Covington
Michael Black	Covington

These awards do not replace the RSVP awards but are meant to give further support to our seminarians on their journey to the priesthood. As Knights we can be proud of our RSVP program which supplies aid to every seminarian in the State. Additionally, seminarians order-wide are supported through the Daly and McGivney Scholarships.

Thank you for your continued prayers and financial support of our Seminarians.  
 Frank Shay SD



St. Luke Council #10263 in Nicholasville awarded five scholarships to Lexington Catholic High School of \$500 each. Ann Marie Timm Scholarship recipients: Ashley Frebis, Madison Hutchens, Allison Appel, Jacqueline Appel, and Cameron Bailey.



Christ the King council held a Corporate Communion on August 17<sup>th</sup>.



Christ the King council installed their officers in August.



Council 14471 Officer Installation

## Local News continued



Father James R. Meder #3423, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus recently installed their officers for the 2014-2015 fraternal year. From left to right front row: James Thissen, Faithful Navigator, Reverend Robert M. Abel, Faithful Friar, Gary Dykhuis, District Master. From Left to Right Back Row: George Walz, Faithful Pilot, David Cooper, Faithful Comptroller, Bruce E. Shackett, Faithful Captain, Charlie Jenkins, Three Year Trustee.



Fr. Mario following his first mass at St. Cecilia in his new K of C vestments given to him from Supreme. The Mass was celebrated for Pope Francis and his family at the request of Archbishop Lori.

Council #7847 Hopkinsville has purchased 178 kneelers for their church and will be installing them in December.





## What Are We About?

Brothers - August is usually a slow month with everyone squeezing in vacations and outings to take advantage of the warm weather and the children home from school. That did not deter the Kentucky Knights of Columbus from having a very successful month. In membership, Kentucky won its division in the World Series of Membership for August, and we are currently in first place for September by 0.07%. A close race that I am sure we will win.

Perhaps the most important accomplishment in August was the announcement of yet another lifesaving Ultrasound Machine here in Kentucky. Congratulations to Dave Holzwarth and Council 12774 for raising the funds to



purchase an ultrasound machine to be placed with the Assurance for Life Pregnancy Center in Lexington. There are several more councils in various stages of the Ultrasound Initiative and more machines are on the way to save lives in other areas of the State. All of us as Knights can be proud of the stance and actions we have taken in support of life from conception to natural death.

I have continued my journeys to visit the councils around the state. This has been, and continues to be, an invigorating experience. It is truly amazing to see just how much the local councils are doing for their parishes, communities and each other. In one recent visit, I was at a council meeting when it was announced that a brother knight had lost his house and all the contents to a fire. While he was insured, that never covers all the needs, many of which are immediate. The council voted to donate \$500 to their brother Knight and then, during the meeting, a hat was passed and still more money was raised. To help our brother Knights in time of need; to stand for life and our faith. That is what we are about.

God Bless You for All You Do,

Frank Shay

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## From the State Secretary, Gabe Cabral

Brother Knights, the first quarter of this Fraternal Year is coming to a close. By now I hope all the dust has settled at your council with any new officers who have been elected. My observation has been that it normally takes 2-3 months for the "new guys" to really start hitting their strides and working like a well oiled machine with the other officers. If you have seen this, you are either (A) really observant, or, (B) you've been there yourself.

If it's (B), consider mentoring the new officer(s) or some other worthy brother

knight who you feel would make a good officer. The experience you bring will help this person's development, commitment to the Order, and it will help your council with competent members you can rely on to fill open offices.

If it turns out that you're (A)- really observant... **YOU** are the guy that every council is looking for! Step up and get involved with the programs and work that your council needs to get done. I can guarantee you will get much more out than you put in.

Remember-"Good leaders are made, not born- Colin Powell"

## From the Immediate Past State Deputy, Bill Schmidt

Brother Knights –

The Silver Rose is making its way across the state as part of five Roses making the trip from Canada to Mexico. The Rose in Kentucky started in Paducah, traveled to Hopkinsville, and is currently in Louisville as of this report. The Rose will continue across the state into Covington and Lexington before going to

The Supreme Council finally ruled on two remaining councils' Star Council awards for 2013-2014. I am pleased to announce that councils 1004 in Morganfield and 1264 in Lebanon were awarded Star Council status, bringing the total number of Kentucky Star Councils to 21! This is a most impressive accomplishment of which we should all

## 2013-2014 Kentucky Star Councils



Tennessee through Corbin. If you are in one of these areas and would like to be a part of this most impressive ceremony before it leaves the state, contact me at [billschmidt@windstream.net](mailto:billschmidt@windstream.net). There are still opportunities to fit in some more dates.

be very proud. How many more can achieve this lofty status in 2015? There were a few councils that came up just a bit short of the Star Council goal that could easily do it this year. Let's make it happen!

Congratulations to the following eleven councils for reaching Star Council status: 1004 Morganfield, 1055 Paducah, 3908 Erlanger, 7831 Sebree, 12502 Independence, 12852 Richmond, 13917 Versailles, 14372 Lexington, 15181 Princeton, 15484 Calhoun, and 15613 Lexington.

Congratulations to the following nine councils for reaching Double Star status: 1264 Lebanon, 5453 Hebron, 11470 Georgetown, 12923 Campbellsville, 13053 Louisville, 14130 Lexington, 15525 Jeffersontown, 15681

Lawrenceburg, and 15699 Louisville.

Lastly, congratulations to council 15452 in Lexington for reaching Triple Star status! All 21 councils helped to make last year a very successful year in Kentucky. Thank you all for your efforts.

Vivat Jesus!

Bill Schmidt

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## From District Master, Gary Dykhuis

Worthy Faithful Navigators and Ladies,

**September Events;** Labor Day came early this year. Labor Day was promoted by the Central Labor Union and the Knights of Labor, who organized the first parade in New York City. After the Haymarket Massacre, which occurred in Chicago on May 4, 1886, U.S. President Grover Cleveland feared that commemorating Labor Day on May 1 could become an opportunity to commemorate the affair. Thus, in 1887, it was established as an official holiday in September to support the Labor Day that the Knights favored. Happy Labor Day to all that are working hard.

I have been reappointed, and hope with your prayers, to make the Kentucky the best Fourth Degree of our Order. Please also welcome the six new Sir Knights from the Exemplification in St Albans, WV. The new Sir Knights are Ronald Blackburn, Hatler Burnette, David Heinert, James McDonald, Tolva Leddy, and Rick Slone. I also Knighted Father John M. Tghagho at the Owensboro Assembly Officer Installation, into the Fourth Degree.

**September Birthdays:** I don't have any this month, if I missed you, please let me know.

**Faithful Navigators:** Our next Exemplification is

still in the planning stages and should be over in the Eastern part of Kentucky. Please let me know if you would like to host an Exemplification. This is a good way to increase your Assembly membership. The Kentucky District made 83% of our goal, thanks for your efforts.

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

SK John Smith, Exemplification Team Captain; SK Kevin Huber, District Marshall; and SK Bill Schmidt, IPSD, Secretary; conducted an inventory of the District's Exemplification equipment and everything is in good order. The new Degree Robes are all in new robe cases and in a closet.

Please have a good Patriot Month,

Vivat Jesus,

SK Gary Dykhuis,  
Kentucky District Master



**From Membership Director, Billy R. Hancock**

**World Series of Membership**

A super thank you to the recruiters within 21 Councils that carried the day to take Kentucky to the number one position in our Division for August. Having recruited in excess of the 7% Supreme quota you have earned a \$300.00 bonus for the Jurisdiction. The past is secure now let's look to the future – SEPTEMBER.

September				8%
State	Quota	Intake	%	
Kentucky	570	4	0.70%	
Connecticut	1,135	4	0.35%	
Washington	950	6	0.63%	
Georgia	950	6	0.63%	

Through your August efforts you took us to the final 4. To qualify for the \$900.00 bonus the September target is = > 8% of quota or a minimum of 46 new members. Forty six may not be enough to the final contest. I am watching numbers and will be informed on how we are performing against Connecticut. ONE FIRST DEGREE PER DISTRICT PER MONTH minimum.



Bill Hancock, PSD, FM  
Membership Director

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

A good way to track council events, for reporting purposes, is to use the Columbian Award Form (SP-7) itself. I see where one or two councils are doing this already. Just follow these simple steps:

Go online to the Supreme Council Website:  
[www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

Go across to the drop down entitled: Publications and Resources

Click on Forms.

Click on Council.

Click on Columbian Award Application (form SP-7).

Print out both pages.

Use this to list your programs/events as they happen. This “worksheet” can be erased, changed, updated or lined through. Keep this on the refrigerator or some other handy place. Then, when March rolls around. Just print out another blank SP-7 and put your best four (4) programs in each category. You’d be surprised how the good works mount up. This will also allow you to shift items around if the council is weak in one or more of the six Activities. As always, if you have any questions or programming ideas, call me anytime.

Kent Hoskins

Program Chairman





## SD visits local councils

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**Council #7387 Hawesville**



**Council #10962 Paducah**



**Council #12923 Campbellsville**



**Council #14471 Louisville**



**Council #6101 Owensboro**



**Council #12965 Oak Grove**

