

STATE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

\$10,000 for seminarians



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State Deputy visits local councils

The State Deputy has visited the following councils this month:

- Council 15211 Union
- Council 1264 Lebanon
- Council 6368 Glasgow
- Council 12623 Radcliff
- Council 14471 Louisville

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

Calendar

2nd & 3rd degree	March 13
Easter	March 27
2nd & 3rd degree	April 10
4th degree	April 16

Local news



Council 1367 installed a new two-sided billboard to help support the Culture of Life.

Council #14130 in Lexington collected donations of care packages. Toiletry-type items were collected and distributed to Women’s Hope Center, Men’s Hope center, and Catholic Action center during December and January. Over 500 pairs of socks – matched, unmatched, new / old ... but all clean, were collected in January and taken to Catholic Action Center.



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St. Mark Council 12852 presents a \$21,750 check for an Ultrasound Machine to the Pregnancy Help Center in Richmond.



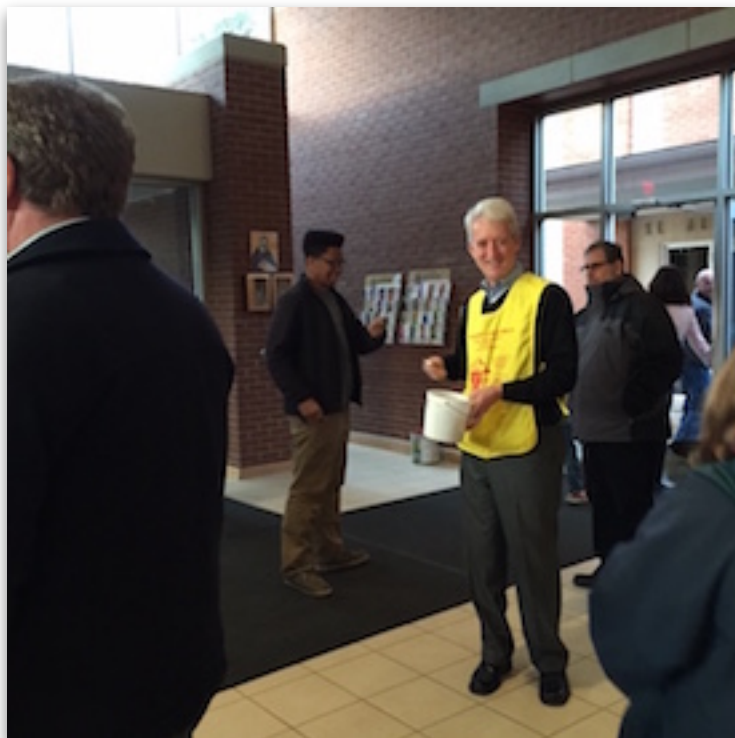
On February 28th, 23 men completed their journey to full knighthood at a 2nd and 3rd degree held at Father Kehoe Council #1764

News cont.



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Pictured L to R: Father Ryan Maher, Cathedral Rector; Larry Sendelbach, Fr. DeJaco Council #5220 Alexandria; Fred Porciello, Grand Knight Fr. Kehoe Council #1764 Ludlow; Most Reverend Roger J. Foys D.D., Bishop of Covington; Bill Kopp, Faithful Navigator Bishop Flaget #307 Fourth Degree of Northern Kentucky; Chris Puckett, Grand Knight St. Timothy Council #15211 Union; Dick Wilson, Grand Knight Fr. Bealer Council #3908 Erlanger; David White, Grand Knight Bishop Ackerman Council #5453 Burlington; Carl Biery, Past State Deputy; and Father Dan Schomaker, Vicar General of the Diocese.



Council 13053 held their annual Tootsie Roll drive and raises \$650 to help those with intellectual disabilities.

News cont.



Margaret, the Coordinator for the nuns said “The Knights are always so friendly. They wear a smile and enjoy working together. Not only are the Knights committed, guests attend the pancake breakfast year after year to help the Knights support the Sister’s worthy mission. They are fun to work with”. Grand Knight Fred Porciello said “This is what the Knights of Columbus are all about – charity. When we can help the Sisters, we feel good about what we do. The Sisters are always grateful and thank us over and over.

This year was the best pancake breakfast in the 20 years of the event. There were 535 breakfasts served and the profit for the Mission was over \$3,700.



On Sunday, February 21, 2016, Fr. Kehoe Council #1764 Knights of Columbus in Ludlow hosted its 20th Annual Pancake Breakfast to benefit the Sisters of Notre Dame Mission in Uganda. The Motherhouse for the United States Sisters of Notre Dame is in Park Hills. It was held at their Notre Dame Academy High School Cafeteria.

The event when it started out benefitted both the Catholic Inner-City Schools in Covington and the Sister’s Mission in Uganda. It now benefits the Sister ever-growing Mission in Africa. Sister Mary



The Kentucky Association for the Mentally Disabled made a donation to Reath Riding Center in Taylor County to be used for a pony drawn cart for the riders. District Deputy #11 Luke Williams presented the check to Sammy Garrison. Photo by Brother David Gault.

News cont.

The 2016 Knights of Columbus District 3 Free throw Challenge was held Sunday (Feb 21) at John Paul II School Gym, Morganfield, sponsored by Durbin K of C Council #1004.



Girls winners and their age groups are, (l to r), Emma Wright (9), Sturgis; Jaci Curry (10), Sturgis; Raelle Beaven (12), Morganfield; Olivia Wheatley (13), Uniontown and Emma Greenwell (14), Waverly.



Boys winners and their age groups are, (l to r), Evan Farley (9), Henderson; Jace Clark (10), Morganfield; Elijah Siewert (11), Henderson; Ethan Corbett (12), Sturgis; Jonathan Stewart (13), Sturgis and Trevor Dailey (14), Morganfield.

Last quarter's recruiter drawing results - One entry for each new member recruited. Five names drawn each receives \$100.

	Name	Council	
Winners:	Terry Eibel	5453	Bishop Ackerman \$100
	Gary Trent	16206	Fr. John Garvey \$100
	Steven Rodgers	16179	St. Bridgid & St. James \$100
	Pat Ryan	14604	Mount Mercy \$100
	James Durbin	15484	St. Charles/St. Sebastian \$100

Council Incentive - One entry for each new member recruited:

Winners :	Council 14130	Christ The King, Lexington	\$ 200
	Council 16125	Knottsville	\$ 175
	Council 4270	Brother Christopher, Springfield	\$ 150
	Council 15979	St. Margaret Mary, Louisville	\$ 125
	Council 15484	St. Charles/St. Sebastian	\$ 100

News cont.

The following is a reprint of an article posted in "The Record" on February 15th.

St. Margaret Mary Knights of Columbus Council provides stipends

St. Margaret Mary Church's Knights of Columbus Council #15979 provided a \$500 stipend to four seminarians of the Archdiocese of Louisville.

Seminarians Robert Barnell (a parishioner of St. Margaret Mary) and Robert Hale, who both attend Mount Saint Mary's of the West in Cincinnati, Ohio; David Farrell, who attends St. Meinrad School of Theology in St. Meinrad, Ind.; and Fermin Luna, who attends Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary in Indianapolis, Ind., were the recipients of the stipends.

The stipends were made possible through the sale of Christmas cards, ornaments and puzzles by the Knights of Columbus at the parish's 2015 holiday boutique.

Last year, 3,068 Knights of Columbus units worldwide provided \$3,687,161 to 6,248 seminarians. Since 1961, the Knights of Columbus have given more than \$63 million to more than 104,000 men and women pursuing vocations.



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Special news

Below is the obituary of Council 14471's GK Tim Hardy as printed on <http://www.legacy.com/>



Hardy, Timothy "The Colonel", 63, died from a gunshot wound on Sunday, February 14, 2016 during a flat tire change on his car.

He was born to Charles and Doloris Schagene on January 20, 1953 from the Portland area. At an early age, he was adopted and lovingly raised by Edward and Florine Hardy, who have preceded him in death.

Timothy was a courageous defender and leader. He proudly served in the U.S. Army for over 34 years. He attempted a bid for the U.S. Congress in 1990. He served as President of the school board at St. Rita Catholic Church and the parish council at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church. Currently, he was the Grand Knight for the Knights of Columbus, McKune Council

Tim enjoyed his children and the child in each of us. He looked forward to bringing joy at Christmas time along with his little elf. He leaves his family

and friends a legacy of not being afraid to speak out and defend the freedoms of this great U.S.A.

Tim will be sadly missed but will always be in our hearts through the memories of great vacations, family time and service to others.

He is survived by his loving wife of 34 years, Janet Schickel Hardy; children, Mark Edward Hardy (Lindsey), Lisa Marie Puckett (Dusty), Michael Lee Hardy and Patrick Joseph Hardy; his precious grandchildren, Kaylei Marie and Riley Joan Puckett; Also survived by his mother, Doloris Frasemer; sisters, Cindy Hagan, Susan Rivers (Rodney) and Starr Lehner; and brothers, Donnie Schagene, Mark Lehner (Barbara) and Virgil Lehner.

The Mass of Christian burial will be held 10 a.m. Friday at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, 7335 Southside Dr. with burial in Resthaven Memorial Park. Visitation noon – 8 p.m. Thursday at Joseph E. Ratterman & Son, 7336 Southside Dr.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to OLMC Church, McKune Council 14471, St. Jude Research Hospital or your favorite charity that serves the needs of others.

– See more at: <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/louisville/obituary.aspx?n=timothy-hardy-the-colonel&pid=177736894&fhid=4745#sthash.xgqrwltl.sUNDIQ7z.dpuf>

From State Deputy Frank Shay



March is here and lent is quickly winding down. Please be sure to take advantage of the Reconciliation opportunities in your parish.

As we draw closer to Easter the RCIA candidates should be approached about joining the

Knights as a means of living their faith with like-minded men. March is also the Order-Wide Blitz month. If you haven't planned one already please do so.

Many councils have had a very good year up to this point. Accordingly council officers should be concerned with getting their new members involved and active in the council. One good way to do that is by use of the Shining Armor Award. The concept of "the Shining Armor Award" program is to get new members active in the many facets of the Knights of Columbus as early as possible and assist in maintaining that activity. It is also a way to honor them as a valued member of your council. To qualify for the "Shining Armor Award" new Knights must during their first year of membership:

1. Be involved in at least three council service programs.
2. Attend at least three council business meetings.

3. Receive their second and third degrees.
4. Meet with their council's insurance representative.

5. Recruit at least one new member.

New members that complete this program will be actively involved and will very likely remain as lifelong active members. Qualification cards (#4292) are available from supreme at no charge. Certificates of Recognition (#4293) are available at \$0.25 each. And the Shining Armor Lapel pin (#1700) is \$3.00 each.

In late February, I had the privilege of attending an Ultrasound Machine

Dedication in Richmond, Kentucky. The machine was made possible through the efforts of St. Mark Council 12852.

The machine was dedicated and blessed by Bishop John Stowe. It is a very good feeling to know that the work of our brother knights is saving lives every day. I am also pleased to learn that Campbellsville Council is working to place an ultrasound machine as is Ackerman Council in Burlington.



Vivat Jesus.
Frank Shay

From State Secretary Gabe Cabral

My Brother Knights, this will likely be one of my shortest articles. (I'll wait for the applause to stop). This month, both my Day Job, and my Knight Job has me hopping, so I just wanted to wish you all a wonderful Easter. If you travel to be with family, I sincerely hope you have a safe journey and enjoy the company of your friends and family.

For those who stay home and attend your local mass, I would ask that you watch for the men who complete the RCIA requirements and join our Catholic ranks. They aren't doing it to become popular-no one does, but rather to be a part of something great that they believe in. This is exactly what we need in our Knights! Reach out to these men and give them an opportunity to be all they can be as a Catholic!

Gabe Cabral
State Secretary



From State Advocate Cameron Peck

Brothers,
Anne and I would like to wish each of you a blessed Easter season. Amidst all the plastic eggs and chocolate bunnies, let's not forget that Jesus suffered on the cross for us.

Basketball Slam tickets sales went well this year. There are a few councils that have not gotten there tickets to me yet so the numbers are going up each day, so I will give you final numbers next month. Thanks to everyone for doing such a great job in raising money for the disaster relief fund. We cannot predict when or where a disaster will hit but we can prepare and be ready when it does come. You all did well this year.

Vivat Jesus,
Cameron Peck



From Membership Director Bill Hancock PSD

Incentives: Recruiters split 82,500 VIP points. During February, 55 new members were recruited and each new member is worth 1,500 VIP points to the recruiter. For more information on VIP points open the Supreme website, kofc.org. On the right side of the page under Activities click on For Officers. On the left of the page click on Recruiter Membership Awards. While there check out the Council Awards. The first award period runs through March 31. To date five Councils 1264, Lebanon; 5453, Hebron; 14130, Lexington; 16125, Knottsville; and 16274, Louisville have earned 30,000 VIP points. After March 31 Councils can still earn 20,000 VIP points.

The State new member recruiter and Council awards have been selected by the State Deputy and State Chaplain from names entered in the drawing. A recruiter's name was entered for each member recruited. Five names were drawn to receive **\$100 each**. Winners are:

Terry Eibel, Bishop Ackerman Council 5453

Gary Trent, Fr. John Garvey Council 16206

Steven Rodgers, Sts. Bridget and James Council 16179

Pat Ryan, Mount Mercy Council 14604

James Durbin, Sts Charles and Sebastian Council 15484

Congratulations! Check is in the mail.

If you are an associate member you might consider taking the "new member" **\$100 annuity** as a step toward financial security and to help your Council earn the Star Council Award. Contact your Financial Secretary for more information.

One entry for each new member recruited by a Council was entered in the Council drawing. Winners are:

Christ the King Council 14140, Lexington - **\$200**

Knottsville Council 16125, Knottsville - **\$175**

Brother Christopher Council 4270, Springfield - **\$150**

St. Margaret Mary Council 15979, Louisville - **\$125**

Sts Charles and Sebastian Council 15484 - **\$100**

Congratulations! Check is in the mail. Your Council might consider helping a deserving associate member become an insurance member through the **\$100 annuity** program and at the same time getting insurance credit toward Star Council.

Finally, as Lent winds down, it's time to line up your **RCIA candidates** for April degrees and don't forget the **sponsors**. Many sponsors of RCIA candidates are not brother knights and they should also be approached about joining. What a better way to welcome new Catholics into the Church by also welcoming them into the world's largest Catholic lay fraternal organization. A good impression for these candidates, catechumens and sponsors would be to have an honor guard at the Saturday Easter Vigil Mass when most of them are received into the Church. I know many assemblies already do this, but for those who do not, this is another opportunity to showcase the Order in a very positive manner! This paragraph is an extract from an article by Al Cala, Deputy Director for Membership Growth.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all,

Bill Hancock, PSD

Membership Director

From Program Director Kent Hoskins

Dear Brothers All:

Now is the time to start sending me your activities and SP-7's. Thanks to those councils that have already done so. I'll begin "posting" activities/events/points this week and will continue to accept your submissions until the first of April.

Remember, we need to list four (4) distinct events/projects in each of the six (6) Service Program Areas, i.e., Church, Council, Community, Family, Culture of Life and Youth to qualify for Supreme Council's Columbian Award. This award is attainable by every council in the Kentucky Jurisdiction and is needed to become a Star Council.

The State Deputy Award and Program Director's Award are given at the May Convention and are based on a point system. See your Program Guide for specific requirements.

And last, but not least, don't forget your forms/paperwork. It's almost never too late.

As always, if I can help or you would like me to attend one of your Council Business Meetings just let me know. My contact information is:

Kent Hoskins
Program Director
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From Culture of Life Chairman Mike Peek FSW

Respect Life Award.....

Since 1992 the Kentucky State Council has presented an annual Respect Life Award. This award is given to an individual who has demonstrated, either by vocation or exceptional volunteer efforts, an unselfish dedication in promoting a respect for human life. This is the highest award given by the Kentucky State Council of the Knights of Columbus in the area of respect life and family life.

At this time we are accepting nominations for the 25th presentation of this award. If you or your council would like to nominate someone please send the name and pertinent information to mtp@catholicexchange.com or mail to Mike Peak 4024 Richland Ave, Louisville, KY 40207. Nominations must be received by April 15, 2016.

Persecuted Christians.....They need Our Help

A new petition urges the U.S. Secretary of State to end the silence about the ongoing genocide against Christians and other minority groups in Iraq and Syria. The online petition can be found at www.StopTheChristianGenocide.org

“Christians in Iraq and Syria have suffered injustice after injustice by being kidnapped, killed, having their homes and churches confiscated or destroyed, and being forced to flee for their lives. Because of hit squads, they fear to enter UN refugee camps and, as a result, are then often excluded from immigration to the West,” said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, who signed the petition and testified on the matter before a congressional subcommittee in December.

What have you sacrificed for Lent?

The Knights of Columbus began its Christian Refugee Relief Fund in 2014, with a particular focus on the Middle East. To date, more than \$8 million has been raised to provide housing, food, medical aid, education and general relief to persecuted Christians and other religious minorities, especially from Iraq and Syria, and to raise awareness about their plight, including through a [#40BucksForLent](https://www.catholicexchange.com/40bucksforlent) effort launched on Ash Wednesday. **It is not too late to donate.**

Don't Forget.....

Please send in your annual pro-life contribution. Contributing Councils will be recognized at the State Convention in May. Contributions from each diocese remain in that diocese for support of local projects.

Pray the Rosary daily for our Country, that our citizens may make thoughtful, prayerful decisions in the coming election.

Thank you to all councils and individuals who are working so hard to promote a “Culture of Life”. Please let us know what you are doing or have done. Sharing encourages others to become involved.

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From District Master Gary Dykhuis

Worthy Faithful Navigators and Ladies,

March Events; March 3, 2016, we have a new Assembly, Father Gerald Calhoun Assembly, Number 3611, Madisonville, Kentucky. Good Work and a Big thanks to Faithful Navigator, District Deputy Joseph Schmitt and Past Sate Deputy, Former Master Billy Hancock.

March 19, 2016 is the Biannual Meeting at the Bardstown Council, #1290 Council Hall, 111 North 4th Street, Bardstown, Kentucky. Meeting Starts at 11:30 AM, Eastern Time. Yes I will be buying lunch.

March Birthdays: Please wish Faithful Navigators E. Thomas Musser, St Vincent Assembly, Henderson; Victor Billhartz, Father Korte Assembly, Bowling Green; a happy birthday. If I missed you, please let me know.

Please also welcome Sir Knight Father Troy Overton, St Edward Church, Louisville. Archbishop Joseph Kurtz and I Knighted Father Troy on February 28, 2016. What Great Event

and a Great Addison to the Fourth Degree. Thanks to the many Sir Knights and Sir Knight Don Potts.

Faithful Navigators: Our next Exemplification will be at Owensboro, April 16th. This will be the last Exemplification for this Fraternal Year. Please let me know if you would like to host an Exemplification. This is a good way to increase your Assembly membership.

Help Wanted: One Veteran Volunteer for the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington, training provided by the VA. This is a very rewarding position. Please contact me.

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

SK Gary Dykhuis,
Kentucky District Master

