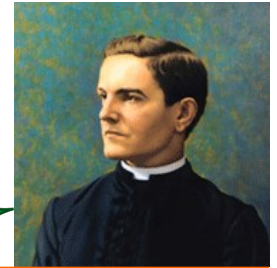




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## Mission

*The Knights of Columbus of Saskatchewan, in the name of Jesus Christ and through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, strive to build the Catholic Church by developing the spiritual growth of themselves and their families, serving parishes, building communities, and by evangelizing all people according to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.*

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## STATE DEPUTY MESSAGE DECEMBER 2016

### The Gift of Christmas – sharing our Love, Joy and Hope

*Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest."*

Matthew 9:37-38

Call me old fashioned, politically incorrect, a bit of a fuddy duddy, but I love Christmas. Yes it requires effort and planning. But tell me one thing in life worth pursuing that doesn't require a little effort. If it were easy, life would be filled with happiness all the time. It is that perplexing mystery of life's lessons that are full of contradiction.

I also love to wish people a "Merry Christmas". I'm not intending to be provocative or insensitive to some people who find such a greeting to be offensive. I honestly and truly wish to share "Love, Joy and Hope" with all people. It is who I am and who I want to be. If someone is offended by my choice of words and my wishes for them to have a Merry Christmas, I don't judge. In my heart I wish them Love, Joy and Hope. I wonder what Jesus would do when He met such a person. I'm certain that He wouldn't compromise His beliefs or intent. But I'm also pretty sure He wouldn't provoke the person. He would smile and with a twinkle in His eye He would warmly wish the person Peace – Love, Joy and Hope. He would be influential in bringing lightness to that dark, a smile to that person's day, and love that neighbour as thy self.

As difficult as it is for us to believe, there are still people in this day and age that believe the world is flat. In spite of all scientific evi-

dence to the contrary and just plain common sense, the members of the International Flat Earth Society truly believe the earth is flat, or nowadays they say a disc. To engage them in a discussion about the obvious, that the earth is a round sphere, will most assuredly result in an argument of who is right and who is wrong.

Is it any wonder then, that there are people who, in spite of all the evidence, scientific and otherwise, who say that they do not believe in God, the Son and Holy Spirit? They say it, and in their mind they truly believe it. To engage them in the detail and fallacy of their belief only escalates into a fight.

But what do they believe in? Do they believe in Love – that they are merciful? Do they believe in Joy – that they strive to find goodness? Do they have Hope – for peace in this world and the next? Although they may say that they are offended by "Merry Christmas", very few people are or can be offended by who Jesus was, is or what He represents. If they say they do not believe in Love and Joy and do not have Hope, they are no different than the members of the flat earth society.

The harvest is plentiful indeed, and Jesus calls us to be disciples, to be labours of the harvest. As Knights of Columbus we have a duty, a moral obligation to live our lives to the fullest. That first and foremost, we live our own lives and lead our family's lives to be full of love, joy and hope. And that we also share our love, joy and hope with everyone!!! We are the men and families that other men and families want to be with. We are the leaders that make a difference in this world that so desperately needs us. Our love, joy and hope speaks volumes, and influences others.

Christmas is a gift. The birth of Jesus, more than 2000 years ago, began a new testament of truth and light. Each year we celebrate His birth with Advent, where we prepare for His birth, and the Christ-

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mas Season. We highlight the significance of the Virgin Mother, the Holy Family and baby Jesus. We make a special effort, extraordinary effort, to bring extended families together from one side and the other side, to join in that celebration. We exchange greetings and gifts of love, joy and hope to one and all.

As you prepare for this Christmas 2016, may you be comforted with the knowledge that your efforts do make a difference in you, your families, your Church and communities. Enjoy the gift of giving in the spirit of the love of family and include those in need. And if I may, can I ask that you add one more gift to your list. In your prayers this year, could you please ask for the intercession of the Venerable Father Michael J McGivney to bring healing to Seminarian Parker Love who suffered a spinal cord injury 2 years ago so that Parker overcomes his disability and fully discerns his calling?

On behalf of State Chaplain Bishop Bryan, and all of our State Officers, their wives and families, Lois, Glenn, Paul, Will and I wish you and yours a Happy Advent and a very Merry Christmas!!

Vivat Jesus



Brian Schatz  
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**This Christmas,**  
give your family  
*Peace of mind.*



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**THIS CHRISTMAS**  
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December 1, 2016

### ON THE OCCASION of THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD 2016

Dear Brother Knights, Families and Friends,

**Christ is Born!**

**Glorify Him!**

What is the purpose of a minute or a second? As small as it might seem, seconds make up minutes which make up hours, days, weeks and so on. It is true when they say every second counts.

Likewise, the world is changed with the birth of every single person. Every person makes the world a different place and a better place. Granted, socially speaking, some people have a broader impact in the world than others, yet every person dramatically changes the lives of their mother and father, their brothers and sisters as well as the lives of their friends. Interacting with other people throughout life contributes to making the person who they are in the same way that a fraction of a second changes a race, a specific gene affects your body or a single vote effects an election.

Since every life means something, let us ponder the significance of the birth of Jesus Christ.

***O my soul, magnify Christ the King born in a manger. A strange and glorious mystery do I behold: The cave is heaven; the Virgin, the throne of the cherubim; the manger, a dwelling place in which is laid Christ, the God Whom nothing can contain. Singing His praises, we magnify Him.*** [Irmos of the Nativity]

The birth of Jesus transforms everything. The birth of Jesus changes the significance of human dignity and every person has an infinite dignity in Christ. The significance of who you are is given to you first by God since he created you. Consequently, let us bring to mind the significance of every person when we talk about suicide, when abortion is discussed, when those who are poor don't have a name in our conversations; when education and learning are addressed, when discussing how employment or joblessness impact dignity, when addiction or mental health and incarceration rates are considered. For every child born, we strive to give them every opportunity to know joy, yet in some instances, because of the sinfulness of all of us, this human dignity is not upheld. These are not merely social issues. These are people with whom you and I have a relationship.

That is why family is so important – your family. The dignity of every family and how it is acknowledged, celebrated or defended affects the dignity of every family in your parish, indeed every family in society. Let this Christmas celebration remind us to nurture our families and build our parishes to be vibrant parishes. As a baby, Jesus was missionary and transformed others. Our message, therefore as missionary disciples, can be that “the birth of Christ among us dignifies every human relationship”. Bring that dignity to every one of your relationships by praying that relationship reflects the Trinity. The birth of Jesus establishes that you are infinitely important. Celebrate that in every relationship you have with another person.

May Venerable Fr. McGivney, San Juan Diego and Our Lady of Guadalupe bless your family this Christmas. Then we can truly sing with the angels: ***Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.*** [Lk. 2:14] Christ is Born! Let us glorify Him!

In Christ,

+ Bryan Bayda, C.S.R.

+Bryan Bayda, C.Ss.R.,  
Eparchial Bishop of Saskatoon  
Saskatchewan State Chaplain



## State Secretary's Message

Dear Brother Knights,

The Knights of Columbus has always responded to the needs of the Church and the community through their charitable and social outreach activities.

As a Catholic, family and fraternal organization, we have the responsibility to dedicate our time, treasures and talents to help our parishes become beacons of the new evangelization, a family of families who are filled with the love and joy of the gospel.

This can be accomplished by conducting many of the excellent 'Building the Domestic Church Programs' which are available by ordering materials from Supreme.

Pope Francis' exhortation 'Amoris Laetitia' is a guidebook to help in building the domestic church to become a family of families filled with the Love and Joy of the Gospel. Councils are encouraged to order copies of the guidebook and to assist their Parish Priest in evangelizing the parishioners about its contents.

The season of Christmas is upon us and it is a time to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas through a variety of 'Keep Christ in Christmas' activities. Let us also remember the less fortunate and conduct 'Food for Families' programs as well as visits to shut-ins, hospitals and lodges. We also assist our Parish Priest in the liturgical ministries of the Mass and can accompany him to many of the Masses to which he has to travel. Let us also remember to invite them to our family gatherings as many of them will spend Christmas alone away from their families.

Remember also to ask someone, whether it be a friend, co-worker or family member, to join the knights of Columbus. We need more knights to conduct the many fine programs which assist the Church. We should also give every Catholic man an opportunity to become involved in our great organization to help him to grow in his faith and to invite him and his family to become part of our family of knights who joyfully meet and work together to build the domestic Church.

My wife Pat and I wish each of you a very Blessed and Joyous Christmas with family and friends.



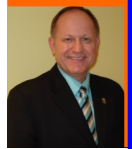
Vivat Jesus,  
Chris Bencharski  
State Secretary/Northwest Cluster Leader



## Helping Our Families Prepare



Mark Lewans  
General Agent



Tempus fugit memento mori—times flies, remember death.

The phrase, we are told, is to remind us to be conscious of our own mortality and to plan accordingly. As Catholics, we keep death always in the front of our minds because it is the gateway to paradise, but also because we want to be sure that we are preparing accordingly and living just lives, conquering sin and living for God, so that we may live with Him after death.

But death is not always easy to think about. While we live with Christian hope, we know that our death also means sadness and trial for those we love. We know that we will leave a void, and depending on the circumstances of our own death, we may even leave loose ends. By thinking about the unthinkable, and planning for the inevitable, we may be able to reduce those trials and tie up some of those loose ends.

That's why we are excited to introduce the Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook. The Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook is a no-cost tool available from our agency to you. The thirty-four page book is a comprehensive planning guide that will enable you to record personal information, identify personal wishes, and supplement legal documents.

With the Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook, you can:

- List medical information
- Identify your long-term care instructions and wishes
- Identify the location of records, documents, accounts, password, and other important concerns
- Identify charitable gifts
- Supplement your will with instructions and information on the distribution of your estate, as well as information on guardians, executors, and power of attorney
- Express your wishes for your funeral service, including identifying readings, lectors, gift bearers, pall bearers, and fraternal or military organization involvement.
- Prepare a Survivors' Action Items and Concerns listing for the settlement of your estate and the execution of your last wishes.
- Establish a list of people to notify
- Record information on life insurance policies and other benefits
- Express your wishes for an obituary
- Write a letter expressing your wishes to your pastor

This may be the most impactful workbook you have ever filled out. In a fast-paced digital age like ours, there are so many more things to plan for and to record, and so much less time in which to do it. The Knights of Columbus Personal Planning Workbook is an easy and effective way to gather your thoughts, details, data and wishes for the benefit of your loved ones.

This great resource is another extension of our founding mission, set forth by Fr. Michael J. McGivney, of protecting Catholic families. By spending a few minutes preparing for the inevitable you'll have the comfort of knowing that you did the right thing, and the assurance that when that time does come, you will have made a very difficult time just a little bit easier for the ones you love.

To get a complimentary copy of the workbook contact your local field agent or call my regional office.

As the Christmas season approaches and our thoughts turn to the coming of the Lord, on behalf of the Saskatchewan agency I wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a happy & healthy New Year!

Vivat Jesus!



## Brothers Knights:

We are into the Advent season and 1/2 of the way into this Columbian Year. How has your council done the first 6 months? Are all scheduled/planned activities completed? Are all required reports submitted to Supreme or State? To date, I have received very few council reports on your activities for the various categories (10 categories in total). All councils should have received a copy of the Council Activity Program Description Form. If not, it is available on our website [www.kofcsask.com](http://www.kofcsask.com). I encourage you to start using this form to report on all your Council Activity Programs. You and your team should take time now and reflect on where you are? What have you accomplished/not accomplished? What still needs to be done? Make all necessary adjustments now to get back on track so that your council has a successful year. Remember that without strong Council Activity Programs, your council will not attract new membership nor will it be able to retain the members you currently have.

Building the Domestic Church Initiative - remember that several programs fit in with this time of the year. Programs include - Food for Families, Keep Christ in Christmas, Journey to the Inn, Consecration to the Holy Family and Family Fully Alive Devotional Program. Reminder - To earn the Columbian Award, SP-7, councils must now conduct at least four Surge With Service activities that are also designated as domestic church programs. Please visit [www.kofc.org/DomesticChurch](http://www.kofc.org/DomesticChurch) for the most up-to-date list of eligible programs and activities and to find resources that will help your council conduct them.

All councils should continue using the Fraternal Leader Success Planner. It is a great tool to keep track of all your council activities and to track your council's progress each month throughout the year. The planner is designed to prepare you for your submission of the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) form due January 31, 2017. Use the Success Planner to plan, track and report on your results.

Also, a reminder to all councils who have not submitted Form 185 and Form 365. These forms help State and Supreme Councils send out information to keep you up-to-date with what is happening, offer assistance and help your council succeed and continue to grow and improve as you serve your community.

From my family to yours, Brenda and I would like to wish you and your family a very Merry and Blessed Christmas and pray that each of you enjoy a healthy, happy and Holy New Year.

Vivat Jesus  
Eugene Achtemichuk  
State General Program Director



## Brother Knights:

At the 2016 State Convention a resolution was presented and carried for "the State Board to investigate and create a new method to provide awards to Councils for holding strong and productive programs." Our State Board wants to find out what each Council is doing. The activity, a brief description on the purpose of the activity, the results achieved and the members involved in doing the activity.

As I receive your reports, your Council activities will be displayed on the [www.kofcsask.com](http://www.kofcsask.com) website, providing ideas for other Councils to try. Attached is a copy of the Council Activity Program Description Form for you to complete and explanation of the State Council Recognition Program for this Columbian Year. I encourage all Councils to start using this form immediately to report on all your Council Activity Programs. It is suggested that Councils submit the completed form to the State General Program Director each quarter. If Councils prefer to submit their reports monthly, please continue to do that using this new format. Effective immediately, the old monthly reporting system has been discontinued.

Starting November 1, 2016 only reports using the new system will be accepted. All reports received from March 1, 2016 to October 31, 2016, using the old system will be accepted for the activity program awards. Deadline for Councils to submit the Council Activity Program Description Form is March 1, 2017. Reporting period will run from March 1, 2016 to March 1, 2017.

Each District Deputy is encouraged to promote the use of the Council Activity Program Description Form in his District and help with any assistance Council's may require in completing the form.

There are ten categories your Council can report on. Activities for Church, Community, Council, PR/Communications, Culture of Life, Family, Membership, Special Olympics, Youth and Young Adult. Please use a separate form for each category. Your completed form will be issued to each appropriate Program Director, who will review their respective category and select a Council with the best total activities for that category and the 2nd place runner-up Council. Councils will receive an award at our annual State Convention.

This year we are looking for activity originality - was this a new 2016-2017 activity for the Council? Does this activity fall under the Domestic Church Initiative?

The State Council Service Program Award has not changed. Councils are required to submit their completed Form STSP with all supplementary material, at any time during the year, to the State General Program Director. Deadline for receiving this report at State Office is March 1, 2017. See attachment "State Council Recognition Program" for details. This Columbian Year an Overall Program Award has been added to be awarded to one Council per cluster area. Each Council must fulfill all eight requirements to be eligible of consideration for this award. See attachment "State Council Recognition Program" for details.

At the beginning of this Columbian Year, each Council received five copies of the Fraternal Leader Success Planner. This booklet is a great tool for each Council to plan your fraternal year. It also is a great place to keep track of all your Council Activities. The planner is designed to prepare you for your submission of the Columbian Award Application (SP-7) and the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) forms.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your cooperation.

Eugene Achtemichuk  
State General Program Director





# Knights of Columbus - Saskatchewan State Council

## Council Activity Program

Due at  
Saskatchewan State  
Council  
on or before  
March 1, 2017

An activity can be submitted in one category only.  
Refer to your Surge with Service to determine in which category to enter your activity.

**Instructions to Council:** Each quarter, councils are to complete the Council Activity Program Description Form and forward (electronically preferred) to the STATE GENERAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR with a copy to the DISTRICT DEPUTY and COUNCIL FILE.

**CATEGORY (MARK ONE):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Activity            | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Activity        | <input type="checkbox"/> Council Activity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PR/Communications Activity | <input type="checkbox"/> Culture of Life Activity  | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Activity  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Activity        | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Olympics Activity | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Activity   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult Activity       |  |   |

FROM: GRAND KNIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 COUNCIL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNCIL No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Town or City)

Activity Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Activity Conducted: \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose of Activity: (In the space provided below, describe the purpose of this activity.)

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Results of Activity: (In the space provided below, describe the results of this activity - did it affect the Church, community, council, family)

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Number of council members participating in activity: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Percentage of council members participating in activity: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of man hours expended in activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Activity Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Activity Conducted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of council members participating in activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of council members participating in activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of man hours expended in activity: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date Activity Conducted: \_\_\_\_\_

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Results of Activity: (In the space provided below, describe the results of this activity - did it affect the Church, community, council, family)

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Number of council members participating in activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of council members participating in activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of man hours expended in activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

(State Deputy)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

(Grand Knight)

**To be eligible for the awards all entries must be received no later than March 1, 2017.**

**MAIL ORIGINAL TO: State General Program Director**

**COPY TO: District Deputy, Council File**



## STATE COUNCIL RECOGNITION PROGRAM

### ACTIVITY PROGRAM AWARDS:

Each year, the Activity Program Awards recognizes those councils conducting outstanding activities in each of the ten category activities: Church Activity, Community Activity, Council Activity, PR/Communications Activity, Culture of Life Activity, Family Activity, Membership Activity, Special Olympics Activity, Youth Activity and Young Adult Activity.

Activity has to be submitted on the Council Activity Program Description Form and forwarded (electronically preferred) to the State General Program Director with copies to District Deputy and Council file before March 1, 2017.

Activity Program Awards will be based on two levels:

1. Large Council - over 70 members
2. Small Council - less than 70 members

Award will be based upon the **total activities** conducted in each of the ten categories by the council in the twelve month period between the state conventions.

Judging will be based on:

1. Activity originality - was this a new 2016-2017 activity for the Council.
2. Nature of the activity - was it designated as one of the Domestic Church programs.
3. Participation of members in activity - how many members and percent of membership participated?
4. Results - what was the purpose of the activity? Did the results affect the Church, community council, family or youth?

### ACTIVITY PROGRAM STATE-WIDE RECOGNITION

Each individual State Program Director (SPD) will be responsible for selecting the single best Church, Community, Council, PR/Communications, Culture of Life, Family, Membership, Special Olympics, Youth and Young Adult total activities conducted by an individual council in the twelve month period between the state conventions. Each SPD will review their respective category Council Activity Program Description Form for completeness and accuracy. Each SPD will have control over what activities councils can claim on reports for their respective categories. Each SPD must establish a reason for disallowing an activity claimed in their respective category.

Plaques will be awarded to each council selected for best total activities in each of the ten categories. Certificates will be awarded to each 2nd place council selected in each of the ten categories. All plaques and certificates will be handed out at the annual convention of the State Council.

### SUPREME/STATE COUNCIL SERVICE PROGRAM AWARDS:

Form STSP - State Council Service Program Awards form for Church, Community, Council, Family, Culture of Life and Youth.

Supreme Council is looking for one activity that best exemplifies each Service Program Category. Describe in great detail the Service Program activity that you have chosen. Include pictures of Brother Knights and their families who were involved with the activity. The pictures should have a written narrative explaining what is contained in the picture. Councils can also include letters, newspaper clippings, pamphlets, etc.

The completed STSP form, with all supplementary material, can be submitted at any time during the year to the State General Program Director. It is recommended that the report be sent in by March 1, 2017 with the nominations for the individual awards.

## OVERALL PROGRAM AWARD - ONE PER CLUSTER AREA

Council must fulfill all 8 of these requirements to be eligible of consideration for this award:

1. File Form 185 - Report of Officers Chosen for the Term by June 30, 2016.
2. File Form 365 - Service Program Personnel Report by August 1, 2016.
3. File Form 1728 - Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity by January 31, 2017.
4. File Form 1295 - Semi-Annual Council Audit Report for period ended June 30, 2016 by August 15, 2016.
5. File Form 1295 - Semi-Annual Council Audit Report for period ended December 31, 2016 by February 15, 2017.
6. All State and Supreme bills paid.
7. Show membership increase.
8. Conduct at least four programs in each of the six major categories (Church, Council, Community, Culture of Life, Family and Youth). Four of these activities must be designated as Domestic Church programs.

## OVERALL PROGRAM STATE-WIDE RECOGNITION

One council in each of the six (6) State Cluster Areas will qualify for this award. The council must meet all 8 of the above listed requirements to be selected for the award. The State Deputy and State General Program Director will be responsible for selecting the Overall Program Award for each of the six cluster areas.

Plaques will be awarded to each council selected in each of the Cluster Areas for meeting all of the necessary requirements. Plaques will be handed out at the annual convention of the State Council.



December 05, 2016 before the General meeting. Brother Knights from Father Delaere No.5182 and District Deputy from District No.11 watched the lights being turned on for the Nativity Scene at St. Mary's Church, Yorkton. Chaplin Father Bohdan lead in singing of Christmas carols and prayer.

## GRAND PRIZE WINNER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL CHARITY APPEAL

November 5, Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus held their annual Charity Appeal draw and social in conjunction with Leoville KofC Council's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. \$113,709.00 worth of tickets were sold this year. 70% of that money is returned to the councils for their charitable works. In addition to that, over \$20,000.00 is given to Teen Aid and Special Olympics Saskatchewan.

This year, the \$10,000.00 grand prize winner was Romeo Prive from Ponteix Saskatchewan. Immediate Past State Deputy, Denis Carignan, presented the winning cheque to Romeo and his wife Stella, in Swift Current, November 20, on the occasion of their Major Degree banquet. We congratulate Brother Romeo and wish him all the best.



Photo: L to R:

*Immediate Past State Deputy Denis Carignan, Stella and Romeo Prive.*



*\$5000 cheque presented by State Advocate Larry Pack-et to Ian McCreary*



*State Deputy Brian Schatz presenting a cheque for \$3000 to Henry and Marguerite Fornwald 90 and 87 years young*

### Knights of Columbus—2016 Annual Charity Appeal Draw

Father Phil Relland Council # 10856, Leoville, in conjunction with their 25th anniversary, hosted the 2016 Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus Charity Appeal Draw. A record \$113,709.00 was raised. 70 percent of all proceeds from ticket sales is used to support charities throughout the province. More than \$20,000.00 (\$10,000 each) is earmarked for Teen-Aid Saskatchewan and Special Olympics Saskatchewan. Based on their proportion of total ticket sales, councils will donate the remaining proceeds of over \$60,000.00 to their designated charities including food banks, culture of life, minor sports, education, health care, church building funds, graduation scholarships, coats for kids, etc. Proceeds from the Charity Appeal Draw will benefit hundreds of people throughout the province, truly exemplifying the first principle of our order, **CHARITY**. Congratulations to this year's winners:

#### **PRIZE WINNER TOWN/CITY TICKET NUMBER**

\$10,000.00 Romeo Prive Ponteix, Sk 019203  
 \$5,000.00 Ian McCreary Bladworth, Sk 103649  
 \$3,000.00 Henry Fornwald Lampman, Sk 043726  
 \$1,500.00 Millie Hoffman Muenster, Sk 099421  
 \$500.00 Ken Bechard Gray, Sk 002051  
 \$100.00 Linda Karkochuk Wynyard, Sk 058789  
 \$100.00 Murray Ramler Lake Lenore, Sk 097612  
 \$100.00 Paul Chaikowsky Sherwood Park, Ab 055425  
 \$100.00 Patrick Levesque Saskatoon, Sk 106495  
 \$100.00 Adam Peterson Shaunavon, Sk 017545  
 \$100.00 Al Huber Esterhazy, Sk 048698  
 \$100.00 Walter Spilchen Yorkton, Sk 052162  
 \$100.00 John Fiest Kindersley, Sk 061159  
 \$100.00 Council 9761 Shellbrook Shellbrook, Sk 091601  
 \$100.00 Noli Gapate Moosomin, Sk 047896

#### **Special Recognition to the top 11 councils in sales this year**

Estevan Council # 3165 \$17,590.00  
 Yorkton Council # 5182 \$4,000.00  
 Weyburn Council # 1731 \$3,817.00  
 Humboldt Council # 1886 \$3,395.00  
 Moose Jaw Council # 1534 \$2,420.00  
 Unity Council # 5707 \$2,150.00  
 Meadow Lake Council # 5259 \$2,000.00  
 Leoville Council # 10586 \$1,980.00  
 Davidson Council # 5384 \$1,850.00  
 Denzil Council # 3920 \$1,730.00  
 Saskatoon Council # 9538 \$1,730.00



Thank you to everyone who supported our Charity Appeal by selling and/or purchasing tickets. Thanks to all the councils who organized the sale of Charity Appeal Tickets in their local community. Special thanks to the Leoville Council for hosting this event and congratulations on your 25 years as a council. Next year's Charity Appeal will be hosted by Humboldt Council # 1886 in conjunction with their 100th anniversary.

Richard Colbow  
 State Charity Appeal Program Director

## State Youth Program

Just a few reminders about K of C programs underway.

**Soccer Challenge** should be happening now. Councils that are participating in the soccer challenge should complete the participation report (form 4567) and send copies to those listed as well as myself (so I can report on numbers participating).

Once districts have completed the regional competitions – please email me your score sheet results of your state scores - with the council and district number on the sheets. This is needed to determine the State winners and to forward results for the International competition.

**District Deputies:** Please note – if your district is doing a district competition – you can order medals free of charge by calling 203-752-4016.

Just a note on doing a soccer challenge – Saskatoon Districts 26, 27, 28 held its regional soccer challenge on Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Soccer Centre. It is a nice touch to do it in a soccer centre. I know the only prohibiting factor is the cost. But it sure beats being outdoors this time of year.

**Basketball Freethrow (BBFT)** will be starting soon in the New Year. BBFT kits should be ordered now to ensure getting them to the schools in the New Year. Again, it is important to have your Youth Director contact the schools within your council's jurisdiction as soon as you get the kits after Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> so teachers will get a jump on getting their school's winners for the district competition. Be sure to set a date ASAP for your district's competition and then also your regional competition. Coordinate with your fellow DD's within your region to set the regional date.

When you do your regional competition – be sure to have your winners throw state free throws as well. And email me your results soon thereafter.

At both the BBFT and Soccer Competitions – be sure to have juice and donuts (or goodies) for the participants as well as your volunteers.

For both competitions, you will need assistance with set up, take down, judging.

For the BBFT I have a script that I read at the start of the competition to all of the participants and parents, etc. that are present. Just to ensure you don't have some irate people. If you want the script – email me and I will email it to you.

Other youth programs for your council to participate in include: substance abuse awareness poster contest, keep Christ in Christmas poster contest, catholic citizenship essay contest. Kits can be ordered directly from Supreme for all of these programs.

Don't forget the coats for kids' annual program. You can order the coats through the Sask K of C Charitable Foundation. This way your purchase goes towards your council's quota for the foundation.

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I have been tasked to collect the names and addresses of youth camps that are supported by K of C councils in the province. The intent is to put this list on the State website so all councils know where they can support youth camps. I hope to have this put together by this December.

Please email me the following information in regards to K of C supported youth camps:

- Legal name of the youth camp
- Address of the camp
- Councils / Districts that support the camps
- If you have email addresses for the camps

Thank you All for what you are doing for the youth in your councils.



**Vivat Jesus!**

**Dale Meier / SK State Youth Program Director**

## IN MEMORIAM

It is with profound sadness we advise you that Former District Deputy Tom Brophy passed away. Brother Tom is the father of State Membership Director Don Brophy. Brother Tom was a Former District Deputy, Past Grand Knight and Past Faithful Navigator.

GELOWITZ, John B.

John passed away peacefully on Saturday, November 26, 2016 after a very long battle with COPD and diabetes.

See more at:

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/leaderpost/obituary.aspx?n=john-b-gelowitz&pid=182838286#sthash.GU51upc2.dpuf>





## Recruitment Incentives October to December 2016 Saskatchewan

Good Day Worthy Gentlemen,

Please share with your Council Officers and Members.  
Membership incentives are in place to help us keep focus on growing the order and establishing a foundation for continuing the work of Venerable Father J. McGivney

### **Recruiter incentives:**

- For each new member recruited, the recruiters name is entered into a monthly draw. One name will be drawn and the drawn name will receive \$150.00.
- Deadline for submissions is the last day of each month and the name of the recruiter is to be sent to the State Membership Director.

### **Entrance Degree Incentives:**

- Each council that brings a new candidate to an **Admission Degree** will be entered into a draw.
- Each month a draw of eligible councils will be held and the drawn council will receive \$150.00.

### **Formation and Knighthood Degrees:**

- Each council that brings a new candidate to a **Formation & Knighthood** degree will be entered into a draw.
- Deadline for submissions is the last day of December and must be sent to the Membership Director.
- The drawn council will receive \$250.00.

### **Round Table Incentive:**

- Any Council that has appointed a Round Table will be entered into a draw.
- Deadline for submissions is the last day of December and must be sent to the State office.
- The Council drawn that sponsors the Round Table will receive \$100.00.





### Social Media Update

The State Council is launching a new Social Media Strategy that will implement new Social Media Channels and promote the current ones to allow our members access to information, services and networking opportunities 24/7. We invite you to join us online through:

#### Facebook Public Page

Stay up to date with other council's news, announcements and events by subscribing to our page <https://www.facebook.com/KofCSask/> . Recent numbers on Saskatchewan State Facebook Page:

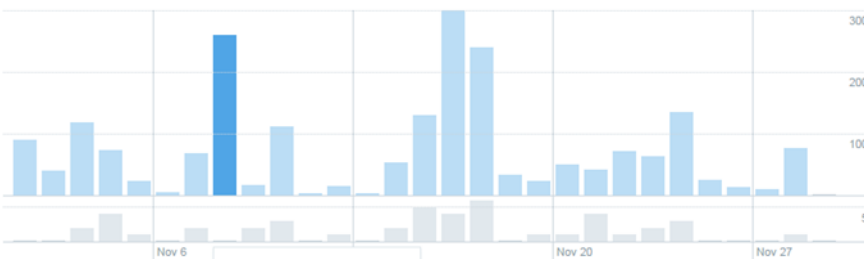


#### Facebook Members Area

The purpose of the group is to create better communication and networking opportunities between councils, state, and members. Please feel free to join the group and invite all the brothers you have on your Facebook friends list to the group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/KofCSask/>

#### Twitter @KofCSaskState

Our tweets earned 1500 impressions over the last 29 day period



#### LinkedIn

We encourage all members to include their work and experience with the order on their LinkedIn profile, and to connect their profile with our LinkedIn page <https://www.linkedin.com/company/knights-of-columbus-saskatchewan-state> . To share your council news and events on our Social Media channels, please email us at [Kevin@oosd.com](mailto:Kevin@oosd.com).

Social Media Chairman  
Kevin Kanawati



## SASK K OF C CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

State Newsletter - December, 2016

[www.saskkofcfoundation.com](http://www.saskkofcfoundation.com)

The success of the Sask K of C Charitable Foundation is based on the ongoing support of our Councils and their membership.

**Contingency Projects** - These are projects where funding is raised for a specific purpose in partnership with either the State, Chapter or Council. We currently have five Contingency projects underway:

- Campion College Lift - Regina Chapter - assist in funding a lift for handicapped students. This is a part of a major fundraising project to upgrade the Campus facility
- Pray for Rayne - Gerald Council - assist in costs for medical expenses for young Rayne Bryan
- Mark Banga - Monsignor Gerein Council Regina - assist in tuition and costs for his family while attending JP II Institute in Washington DC.
- Coats for Kids - State - Councils can order boxes of coats to distribute in their community or offer donations for distributions elsewhere
- Wheelchair Donations - offer assistance to those in need in less affluent countries

**Annual Grant Applications** - The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation accepts Grant applications from organizations in order to assist in their ongoing operating or for a specific project or program. The Grant application form can be found on our website on the Home page or by contacting our Foundation office. **Applications must be submitted by January 15th, 2017.**

Please make eligible organizations in your communities aware of these potential funds in order that they may continue to assist those in need. We would love to see applications from communities throughout the province.

**Grant/Funding Support 2016** - This offers an example of the organizations that we provided assistance to in 2016.

- Ft. McMurray Fire Victim Support - contributed over \$60,000.00 to victims of the fire through direct contributions to the two Knights of Columbus Councils in Ft. McMurray and through a donation to the Red Cross
- Saskatoon Youth Development Complex - Blackstrap Camp - assist in covering annual operating expenses
- Catholic Christian Outreach - Unity - support for a participating student within the program
- Jubilation Residential Centre - Prince Albert - assist in providing temporary shelter for less fortunate
- YMCA - Strong Kids Program - Moose Jaw - assist in funding for youth
- Catholic Family Services - Battlefords, Prince Albert, Regina & Saskatoon - operating support for each community
- Luseland Bible Camp - Luseland - assist in annual operating expenses
- My Generation Youth Rally - Regina - Archdiocese of Regina hosts this weekend event for teenage youth
- Camp Lemieux - Lac Pellitier - Swift Current - assist in operating expenses for the Catholic Youth camp

**In Memoriam Donations** - A number of Councils have approved a resolution indicating that they will provide a Memorial donation of \$100.00 to the Sask K of C Charitable Foundation when a member of their Council passes away. Upon receipt of the donation, the Foundation will send the spouse of the deceased (or family member) a certificate indicating that the Council has made a contribution on the deceased member's behalf. The name of the deceased member will be included in a special Memorial Mass service later this year. The name of the deceased will also be included under the Memorial Heading on the website for one year to apprise fellow K of C Members of their passing.

We encourage all Councils to participate in this program.

Individual members can also make Memorial donations when an individual dies. The deceased does not need to be a member of the Knights. The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation will issue a tax receipt for the donation. The same certificate of recognition will be sent to the family and the name of the deceased will be included within the Memorial mass celebration. The Council will also receive credit for the donation in their totals for the year.

### **Memorial Fund Contributions**

The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation would like you to say a special prayer for the following Brother Knights, family & friends that have passed away:

Mark Crooks Lafleche                      Noel Magnin    St. Louis                                      Alvin Edward Larson    Regina

Martin Wrubleski    Regina                      June Frustuk    Tramping Lake

These departed individuals are recognized due to a Memorial donation of \$50.00 or more in the past month. Each individual will also be included in our Memorial Mass Celebration.

**Council Donations 2016** - Each month we provide a report listing of the donations received by each Council and their members. A complete listing can be seen on our website at [www.saskkofcfoundation.com](http://www.saskkofcfoundation.com). The report is shown on the bottom of the Home page under **Council Targets**. Each Council is rated on their donations as a % of target.

The top two Councils receive an award at the Annual Convention.

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| Dist | Council Number     | Ranking |     | Target Amount | Donated to Date | %     | Number-Of Members |
|------|--------------------|---------|-----|---------------|-----------------|-------|-------------------|
|      |                    | Oct     | Nov |               |                 |       |                   |
| 2    | Regina 9859        | 1       | 1   | \$525.00      | \$48,560.00     | 9250% | 75                |
| 17   | Prince Albert 8655 | 2       | 2   | \$420.00      | \$33,483.55     | 7972% | 60                |
| 19   | Goodsoil 5479      | 3       | 3   | \$364.00      | \$6,974.00      | 1916% | 52                |
|      |                    |         |     |               |                 |       |                   |

**Charity of Choice** - The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation have a mandate to partner with Councils and their Membership to support and encourage Catholic values as well as improve the quality of life for those less fortunate. As we near the end of the 2016 taxation year, we ask that you consider providing a donation to the

**Sask K of C Charitable Foundation**

214 Avenue M South  
Saskatoon, Sask. S7M 2K4

**Christmas Wish** The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation Board of Directors and our wives would like to extend to you and your families a safe, joyous and Blessed Christmas. May each of you and your family experience the love and joy of this festive season as we celebrate Christ's entry into the world.

**Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.**



**Harvey Granatier,  
President  
Sask K of C Charitable Foundation**



From the Bulletin Editor

The **deadline** for submitting Articles/Photos will now be the **2nd day after end of the month**. We will webpost and email within the next couple of days after that. If you can send the reports a couple of days earlier, it would be much appreciated.



| <u>Edition</u> | <u>Article/Photo Submission Deadline</u> |
|----------------|--|
| January 2017   | January 2, 2017                          |
| February 2017  | February 2, 2017                         |
| March 2017     | March 2, 2017                            |
| April 2017     | April 2, 2017                            |
| May 2017       | May 2, 2017                              |
| June 2017      | June 2, 2017                             |
| July 2017      | July 2, 2017                             |



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**\*\*Do not send to my personal email.**



# Fourth Degree

## New Web Page

The 4th Degree District of Saskatchewan has a new Web Page [www.sask4th.ca](http://www.sask4th.ca). Check it out. There is a contact list for any 3rd Degree Knight interested in joining the 4th Degree along with the list of Assemblies associated with each council in the Province.

The web page also contains a list of upcoming Exemplifications as well as what you should know if you wish to join the 4th Degree.

**The Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus is committed to the preservation of our Church, our Order and to the many nations where Knights serve. We serve as examples of Christ's presence in the world.**

**At some point in our lives, there comes a time when we realize that our Christian duty extends beyond our own lives, beyond how we lead our families and into how we serve our fellow man.**

**This is what defines the Knights of Columbus and by joining the Patriotic Degree, you have the opportunity to take that duty one step further.**

**Pat Meuse MMM CD PGK PFN  
Master, District of Saskatchewan  
Simon Fraser Province**



# DEGREES



Seated: DD # 2 Paul Ponak; IPSD Denis Carignan (CO); SD Brian Schatz; Foundation CEO Harvey Granatier (PFC); Tony Gartner (Warden)  
 Oct 30, 2016 Formation/Knighting Ceremonial hosted by Archbishop O'Neill Council # 8896 Regina  
 19 men received full Knighthood representing Council's from Balgonie, Indian Head, Regina & Weyburn – Archbishop Donald Bolen Class Patron



Formation and Knighthood Class of the Degree Exemplification in Swift Current Nov. 20. In the front row, L to R are: Tony Gartner (Warden), Denis Carignan (Immediate Past State Deputy and Conferring Officer for the Degree), Mgr. Rey (Class Patron), and Wayne Johnston (DD for host district 6). The other rows are the newly Knighted members from Shaunavon, Lafleche, Fox Valley, and Swift Current.