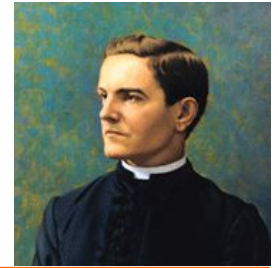




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**STATE DEPUTY MESSAGE**

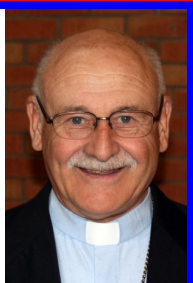
We are now into the last half of the Columbian year. It is a good time to talk about our two main areas: programs and membership. Programs and membership go hand in hand. One complements the other. To maintain good programs we need active members to conduct them. Good programs attract and retain members. Every program should be seen as an opportunity to promote membership. We hear that we can't get new members because of demographics. Small communities are too small to support a council. We know this and it is being dealt with through reactivations and mergers in a systematic, deliberate and constructive manner. Knights are being transferred and Round Tables are being formed. We want to make sure that there is still a Knights of Columbus presence in every parish, no matter the size. To effectively do this, we realize that we must adjust our presence to suit the circumstances. There is potential for growth in our province. Saskatchewan is no longer a have not province. Our population is increasing. People are moving back. We are welcoming residents from other provinces and other parts of the World. Many parishes are able to support councils. Those parishes need an active and strong Knights of Columbus presence. I've heard it said that it's impossible to bring in new members in smaller rural communities. Let's not make this generalization. Last year, of the 26 Star Councils, 11 came from Regina and Saskatoon, the other 15 came from small rural communities. We also hear that fewer people are going to Church and that is identified as a reason to not recruit new members. We are identified as "A Charity that Evangelizes." Our mission is to evangelize members of the community wherever they are in their faith lives. (Continued on Page 2)



**STATE CHAPLAIN MESSAGE**

To my brother Knights,  
 The New Year begins with the call to pray for peace in our world, in our country, and in our families. Mary, the Mother of God is no doubt the best person to intercede for us. Accordingly, Pope Francis invites us to focus on a very important issue if we want to learn to live in harmony: Indifference. Our society today is affected by an attitude of indifference, which has made its way into the Church and into the minds of some of our members. Living in a world of tight scheduling, we can lose focus on why we have become a member of the Knights of Columbus and we can easily distance ourselves from its activities without realizing we have focused our life solely on our personal needs. We become busy, just to be busy. After all, it is easier just to go with the flow. Indifference can also yield many reasons why we do not get involved in our communities, our local church, or even the Order. These societies of service become but a commodity. As commitment and involvement are contrary to indifference, we become users instead of givers. However, peace and harmony is possible if we SHARE WITH OTHERS THE TALENTS AND GIFTS we have received from God. If combined with an attitude of mercy, God will lead us out of our comfort zones, prepared and confident to reach out to our neighbours. We have just celebrated Christmas, the Birth of Christ. He is the visible sign of the merciful God who cares for us at all times. We have taken up the torch of His mission to go forth. So, what will be your New Year's resolution this year? What will you do to be the visible sign of our merciful God in the world today? Praying you have a blessed and meaningful New Year!

**Most Rev. Albert Thévenot, M. Afr.**



(State Deputy continued from Page 1) Is not our mission then to bring these fallen away Catholics back to the church by involving them in our charitable activities and helping them to grow spiritually through our example and involving them in our many prayer and faith based programs?

Jesus said to his disciples, "Go forth and make disciples of all men." He didn't tell them to choose only the "good ones". That is how the Catholic Church grew. Jesus said spread the good news to all the corners of the earth. Those disciples encountered opposition, persecution, and a monumental task. In the end, all but one suffered martyrdom. It is thanks to their zeal and conviction that the Catholic Church exists today.

Our mission as Knights of Columbus is to carry on the same mission that was entrusted to the first disciples. By our example, our acts of charity, our words, and our faith based programs, we are strengthening the Church. We are evangelizing. Saint John Paul II confirmed this in his message to the Knights of Columbus when he stated that "The manner of good works that you perform yourselves are further multiplied by those which you inspire in others".

We are inviting good men to be part of our Order. Our mission is to help them become better men, better fathers and better citizens. We have no idea the amount of good a person will do when we recruit him. You may be doing that man and the people with whom he comes in contact an immeasurable amount of good. At one time, we were all invited to be a member of the Knights of Columbus. Think about how that has changed our lives and affected the lives of those around us.

Our Supreme Knight says that we have a moral obligation to invite every eligible Catholic man and his family to be part of the Knights of Columbus. Inviting a man and his family to become a Knight of Columbus is one of our most important obligations. By so doing we are ensuring that the Knights will continue to be a force for the good, now and for years to come. And so, instead of looking at reasons why we can't grow our councils and no longer provide strong programs let us use these very reasons to justify why it is vitally important to grow our councils and continue to provide strong programs.

Connie and I wish you and your family good health and happiness in 2016.

Vivat Jesus.

**Denis Carignan**

## PLEASE CONSIDER HOSTING A STATE COUNCIL ACTIVITY

STATE GOLF: JUNE 2017  
 ADJUDICATION DATE: DECEMBER, 2015  
 STATE ORGANIZATION MEETING: JULY 2017  
 ADJUDICATION DATE: JANUARY, 2016

Application forms which include a description of the activity requirements are available on the Saskstate website, [www.kofcsask.com](http://www.kofcsask.com), under the "Calendar of State Events". If you have any questions please contact Denis Carignan, State Council Activities Director. Ph. 306-937-2546 or email at: [deniscarignan@sasktel.net](mailto:deniscarignan@sasktel.net)



New First Degree Team and new members for Council 11429 in Saskatoon (There were 13 new members, 8 of them joined Council 11429)

### YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Here we are at the end of the first half of our Columbian year. Now is a good time to take a moment to assess what we have done for youth in our church and our community. We've had the opportunity to organize the *Soccer Challenge*, *Essay Contest* and *Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest* as well as sponsor participants for the *Saskatchewan Youth Parliament*. How have we done?

Next, we should review and, if necessary, adjust our plan for the remainder of the year. The Knights of Columbus *Substance and Alcohol Abuse Awareness Contest* is intended for two age groups: ages 8 through 11, and ages 12 through 14. Posters should be completed by the end of January. Council judging should take place by February 15. District/regional competition should have taken place by mid-March. Winning posters at the Regional level should be sent to the State office at the latest by March 24. The Official Guide in the Contest Kit provides all the information you'll need to hold the event.

Several councils have reported that schools in their area held preliminary *Free Throw Championship* competitions in December. What a great way to provide entertainment and enjoyment for the young people in your community. Council competitions will be held in January and will forward their Free Throw Participation Report Form (#FT-1) to their respective District Deputy and the State Youth Program Director. District/Regional competitions are held in February. District Deputies are reminded that the zones have not changed from those established last year. Regional winners will also complete their State free throws at the Regional (Zone) competition. District Deputies are reminded to send the Regional winners' Entry Forms/Score Sheets (#1598) to the State office by March 12.

Councils are reminded to include all of their youth activities on their monthly reports.

Thank you to all Councils for the good work you do for our young people.

I wish you all Brother Knights and their families a Blessed New Year!

**Norbert Philippe**

**State Youth Program Director**

## CRITERIA FOR ATTAINING THE STAR ASSEMBLY AWARD

- Publish and distribute to the assembly membership a minimum of six Assembly Newsletters during the 2015-2016 fraternal year. A copy of each newsletter must also be sent (either in print or electronically) to the Vice Supreme Master.
- Meet the assembly's membership goal, with a net gain of 10% additions over deletions. Earn the Civic Award by conducting a minimum of four patriotic programs during the 2015-2016 fraternal year, and reporting those programs to the Supreme Master by June 30, 2016 on the Civic Award Application.
- Complete and submit to your District Master by April 30 the To Be A Patriot Award application.
- Complete and submit the Report of Officers Chosen for the Tern (#186) and the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) by their respective due dates. The Fraternal Survey form is due January 31, 2016. The office report form was due July 1 but, for Star Assembly qualification purposes **FOR THIS YEAR ONLY**, forms received on or before December 1, 2015 will be considered "on time".

**NOTE: All required forms for the Star Assembly Award can be found on the Assembly Forms page of [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms)**

### HAVE YOU COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING?

- INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL OFFICERS?
- REPORT OF OFFICERS CHOSEN (FORM 185)?
- SERVICE PROGRAM PERSONNEL (FORM 365)?
- SEMI ANNUAL AUDIT (FORM 1295)?
- DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING?
- SCHEDULE OF FIRST DEGREES?
- ORDERED SOCCER CHALLENGE KIT (SC-KIT)?
- ORDERED CHURCH DRIVE KIT?

## ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY REPORT FORM 1728

### **DUE DATE: JANUARY 15**

For the past 5 years, the Saskatchewan councils have submitted 100% of their Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities. Obviously, all councils are aware of how to complete and submit this report. On line forms are available on the Supreme website.

This report is very important for the following reasons:

1. To maintain the KofC Charitable status. This allows the KofC to direct funds for charitable causes that are in keeping with our Christian principles and beliefs.
2. To provide data demonstrating the positive impact that the KofC have on communities.
3. It is a summary of what your council has accomplished during the course of the year: charitable and council projects as well as donations. This information can be used to evaluate where and how much resources your council is contributing to the various groups and causes that it supports.
4. It is one of the requirements for the Star Council Award.

## CITY WIDE CHURCH DRIVES REGINA & SASKATOON

### **REGINA PROGRAM:**

- |                                 |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. Initial Meeting:             | January 12 (Time and Location TBA)  |
| 2. Facilitator:                 | Guy Precourt - Supreme MPC  |
| 3. Attendance:                  | District Deputies, Program Directors, and Brother Knights from Regina and surrounding communities who will be part of the Leadership Teams. |
| 4. Meeting with Parish Priests: | February 19 (Time and Location TBA)   |
| 5. Leadership Training:         | February 20 (Time and Location TBA)   |
| 6. Church Drives:               | February 20 & 21 (Time and Location TBA)  |

### **SASKATOON PROGRAM:**

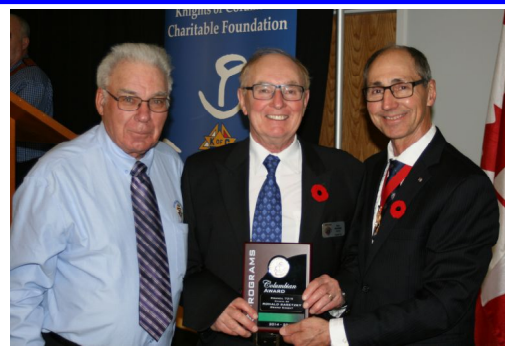
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| 1. Initial Meeting:             | January 19 (Time and Location TBA)   |
| 2. Facilitator:                 | Guy Precourt - Supreme MPC   |
| 3. Attendance:                  | District Deputies, Program Directors, and Brother Knights from Saskatoon and surrounding communities who will be part of the Leadership Teams. |
| 4. Meeting with Parish Priests: | March 11 (Time and Location TBA)   |
| 5. Leadership Training:         | March 12 (Time and Location TBA)   |
| 6. Church Drives:               | March 12 & 13 (Time and Location TBA)  |

This program has been extremely successful in BC, Alberta, Manitoba, and Ontario. We have every reason to believe that it will be successful in Saskatchewan as well.

Information in regards to this initiative will be communicated as soon as they details have been finalized.



Left Christmas celebration Council 11429. Lots of good Filipino food  
Right Columbian Award Presentation to GK of Nipawin Council, Ron Saretzky and Former DD Ferd Rouauld



## CONGRATULATIONS & THANK YOU FOR A GREAT DECEMBER

December was our best membership month of the year. Here are the amazing results:

Councils recruiting 1 or more new members: 19  
 Total new members for December: 43  
 % increase for December: 15.09%  
 % of our Circle of Honour Goal: 39.65%

Our % increase for December was the highest in the entire Order. Congratulations to all the Brother Knights who recruited new members this year. Special congratulations to the members of Council 11429 who formed their own First Degree Team and performed their first exemplification for 13 new members on December 20. They did a fantastic job.

Brother Knights, it is imperative that we continue strengthening our Order in Saskatchewan by bringing in new members. Let's invite every eligible Catholic man in our parishes to become a Knight of Columbus.

### THE JANUARY CHALLENGE

**GOAL:** 40 NEW MEMBERS  
**FIRST DEGREES:** 20 COUNCILS PARTICIPATING IN A FIRST DEGREE  
**PLAN:** Please send me the date and location of your First Degree for the month of January.

### MEMBERSHIP 2015-16

MEMBERSHIP GOAL: 350  
 MEMBERSHIP TO DATE: 113  
 MEMBERS NEEDED BY JUNE 30: 237

Because we lose, on average, 300 members each year, we need to bring in 350 new members to be net/net positive 50.

Accomplishing this membership goal will:

1. Grow our total membership in Saskatchewan for a second consecutive year.
2. Ensure the viability of our councils now and for future years.
3. Strengthen the Knights of Columbus presence in our parishes and communities.

How will we accomplish our goal?

1. Provide strong and relevant council and service programs.
2. Demonstrate a positive and enthusiastic attitude.
3. Demonstrate genuine pride and commitment to the Knights of Columbus.
4. Invite every eligible Catholic man and his family to be part of our great Order.



Left Carol Festival in Saskatoon at TCU Place.  
 Right November 30, SD Denis attended a fund raising brunch in Zenon Park. They are raising funds to pay for a Fire Truck that they purchased from New York City.





### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COATS FOR KIDS ORDER FORM

Coats come in boxes of 12, and must be ordered by the box. Each box will contain either girl's coats or boys coats, but not both. The cost is **\$245 for orders shipped to Canada**. This cost includes shipping.

The increased cost for orders shipped to Canada is to cover all customs/duty charges, as well as the Canadian GST (Goods & Services Tax).

All cases will contain either boys' coats or girls' coats (never both). The size distribution in each case is: TWO Size S (8), FOUR Size M (10-12), FOUR Size L (14-16) and TWO Size XL (18).

Smaller sizes are also available, and will automatically be included on orders of six cases or more. For orders of less than six cases in which small sizes are desired, please indicate that on the Coats for Kids order form below.

For large orders (8 or more total cases), these smaller size cases will automatically be included as part of the order. For smaller orders, if you want smaller sized cases mixed in please indicate below.

NUMBER OF BOXES OF BOYS COATS \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF BOXES OF GIRLS COATS \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL NUMBER OF BOXES OF COATS REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_ x \$245.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

WOULD PREFER TO HAVE SMALL SIZES INCLUDED YES \_\_\_\_\_

Payment is to be included with the order. Cheques are to be made payable to:

**Sask K of C Charitable Foundation**

DATE OF ANTICIPATED DISTRIBUTION \_\_\_\_\_

⇒ Please allow 2-3 weeks between the receipt date of the order and delivery of the coats.

PLEASE SHIP THE COATS TO THE FOLLOWING (**Provide the name of the person who will receive the shipment, as well as a physical address that typically has someone available to accept delivery. – no P.O. Boxes.**):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature (Grand Knight, Financial Secretary)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Council Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number (For Delivery)

Individual Donor: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_ Donation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ PC \_\_\_\_\_

**Completed forms are to be sent together with the cheque to:**

**Sask K of C Charitable Foundation**

**214 Avenue M South**

**Saskatoon, Sask**

**S7M 2K4**

### COATS FOR KIDS WOLLASTON LAKE

Martin Dolny, DD for District 17, accompanied by Father Maurice Fiolleau-Vicar General of the P.A. Diocese, Grand Knights Claude Archer and Darrell Olelsuik from P.A., Sir Knights Kerry Swallow and Maurice Chalifour, and Chris Bencharski- State Treasurer and Cluster Leader for District #17, delivered 400 coats to the children in Wollaston Lake December 18. Brother Martin piloted the airplane and coordinated the distribution of the coats. Following is the report I received from Brother Martin Dolny.

*The other day our Knights were treated by the community of Hatchet Lake First Nations (Wollaston Lake) to a special fish fry and bannek following our presentation of gifts. Additionally, we were privileged to meet and visit with Fr. Joji Chandamala who essentially is a young Catholic Priest [Indian ethnic origin] performing missionary duties for the Archdiocese of Keewatin-The Pas; Fr. Joji delayed his planned departure to Lac Broche to meet with his Bishop in order to participate with this event. I prepared a special Christmas care package for him that was culturally and personally appropriate (he does not consume certain meats); Fr. Joji seemed beside himself with the attention he received from our Knights and Fr. Maurice FIOLEAU--Vicar General for Diocese of Prince Albert. I rather suspect that either a new RoundTable or even a full KofC Council will emerge at Wollaston Lake as a result of this visitation--a significant First emergence for the KofC in northern isolated Canada involving indigenous people of the North!*

*Chief Tsannie of the Hatchet Lake First Nations is a very active community leader and in Ottawa each month lobbying for his people. On behalf of both the RCMP and Knights of Columbus I presented Chief Tsannie with a traditional decorated pouch of tobacco laden with KofC pins and other decorations as a token of our mutual friendship and support; Chief Tsannie was more than pleased with our gifts and visit and I'm sure we'll hear more of this visit from our current government officials at Ottawa. It was, in my view, a success for both the KofC, Diocese of PA and for the local community of Wollaston Lake.*

Martin



Pictures from Wollaston Lake



## THE SHINING AMOUR AWARD

The Shining Armour Award Program is designed to get new members actively involved within their councils from the very beginning. It is important that new members know about this program as soon as they join the Knights of Columbus.

To establish the Shining Armour Program, Councils need to do the following:

1. Order Shining Armour materials from The Supreme Supply Department:
  - a. Shining Armour Flyer #4297
  - b. Shining Armour Qualification Card #4292

For new members achieving the Shining Armour Award:

  - a. Certificates of Recognition #4293 (.25 each)
  - b. Shining Armour Lapel pins #1700 (3.00 each)
2. At each First Degree:
  - a. Explain the program requirements to the new members.
  - b. Provide them with the Shining Armour Flyer and the Qualification Card.
  - c. Encourage the new members to sign up a friend.
3. Follow up:
  - a. Contact the new member to see how he's doing and to invite him to your council meeting and/or a council activity.
  - b. Encourage his sponsor to mentor him or assign a mentor for him.

*Remember that personal contact is the most effective way of letting your new member know that his is a valued member of your council.*

## PLEASE VISIT OUR SASKSTATE WEBSITE ([www.kofcsask.com](http://www.kofcsask.com))

Our website contains a wealth of information that you will find interesting and useful. Here is some information that you will find:

- Membership Incentives for 2015-16
- Incentive for Recruiters – Monthly Draw form to be sent to Joe Riffel
- Calendar of State Council Events
- Schedule of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Degrees
- Hockey Draft
- Celebrity Dinner information and Sponsor Form
- The State website also contains pictures of Knights in Action. We invite you to send pictures of KofC events in your community and your council to Pat Meuse and/or Morris Lucyshyn. They will display them on the website.
- There is also a space titled "We the Knights of Columbus Pray for the Following:" Here again, we invite you to send Pat and/or Morris the names of Knights and/or their families who are in need of our prayers.

You are also encouraged to visit the Supreme website regularly. ([www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)) On the Supreme site you will find virtually everything that you would want or need to know about the Knights of Columbus. These two websites are invaluable resources. The more you use them, the more indispensable they will become for you.



### STAR COUNCILS 2014-15

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	LOCATION	SUPREME PER CAPITA CREDIT
1	4704	Regina	279.00
2	8896	Regina	459.00
2	9859	Regina	216.00
2	15955	Regina	130.50
3	10797	Regina	531.00
6	2725	Shaunavon	198.00
8	3802	Windthorst	306.00
9	10317	Carlyle	193.50
10	5858	Moosemin	171.00
11	2031	Yorkton	553.50
12	6594	Kelvington	184.50
13	5238	Rosetown	130.50
15	7336	North Battleford	495.00
16	10856	Leoville	162.00
18	5788	Melfort	400.50
19	5256	St. Walburg	162.00
19	5259	Meadow Lake	288.00
19	5479	Goodsoil	175.50
22	3177	Zenon Park	283.50
24	6068	Lanigan	202.50
26	11888	Saskatoon	360.00
26	13129	Saskaton	216.00
27	1517	Saskatoon	585.00
27	8279	Saskatoon	355.50
28	10580	Saskatoon	283.50
28	11429	Saskatoon	639.00
<b>TOTAL SUPREME PER CAPITA CREDITS</b>			<b>7,960.50</b>

### STAR COUNCILS

Last year, 26 councils in Saskatchewan achieved the Star Council Award, the highest award a council can attain. This year, 53 councils have been identified as Potential Star Councils.

To achieve this award, a council needs to meet the following criteria:

1. Meet their Membership quota.
2. Meet their Insurance quota.
3. Submit their Service Program Personnel Report (Form 365).
4. Submit their Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Report (Form 1728).
5. Submit their Columbian Award Application (Form SP7).

Your District Deputy and/or your Cluster Leader will be contacting your council to encourage you and to offer his assistance with these requirements.

Your KofC insurance agent is a key person in your quest for Star Council. Please keep in mind that Insurance policies take 3 weeks or more to process so it is important to complete your Star Councils requirements as soon as possible and to keep him informed of your progress. Be sure to invite him to attend all your First Degrees and introduce him to your new members.

### ST. MARK COUNCIL #5543 AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

The State Deputy letter congratulating the Prince Albert Councils for their accomplishments was read to all present as part of the program and was gratefully appreciated.

The Pictures include District Deputy Martin Dolny presenting awards to:

1. Charles Rudniski receiving an Honorary Life membership certificate (with card and 25 year pin)
2. Dave Kopera receives an honorary certificate (with card and 25 year pin)
3. Linus Lin a 50 year plaque (with 50 year pin)
4. Albert Lafond- The "Knight of the Year" plaque (with a former Grand Knight Pin) for special efforts in fair-booth volunteer recruitment and for his varied contributions to the K of C State Convention and for St. Mark Council 5543.
5. Group picture of the council members in attendance.



## Saskatchewan Catholic Summer Camps

When planning your annual Youth Program, consider including activities to support a Catholic summer camp in your area. Support them in their fundraising efforts. Ask them if they need volunteer assistance for fundraising projects or preparing the camp for the next season. Talk to your parish priest to determine if some local youths in need might benefit from a sponsorship to attend a camp session. It's a wonderful way to provide our youth with healthy exercise in a setting where our faith is celebrated.

## Master's Report January 2016

We are now in the new calendar year. I trust everyone had a blessed Christmas season with family and friends and of course, lots of church events.

As we fire up our assemblies may I remind everyone to work at recruiting brother knights into the fourth degree? Our Supreme Master's wish is that all Brother Knights are to become Fourth Degree Knights. Note that any 3rd degree member in good standing can join without a waiting period. Below is a list of planned exemplifications in our district. Plan to take a candidate to one of these exemplifications.

Regina	April 23, 2016	F.N. James Grill	306 546 4590
Humboldt	May 7	F.N. Paul Mamer	306 365 2162
Saskatoon	May 28	F.N. John Starosta	306 652 2793
Moosomin	June 11		

An exemplification was held in Melfort last November. Because of hard work recruiting and organizing, this exemplification by F.N. Ron Holiday we added 8 new Sir Knights. Four assemblies worked together to supply enough degree team members so we were able to put on a superb exemplification. We should be able to do this in other parts of the district.

### **Join Us - the Time is Now**

- **To be a strong role model.** The need for strong role models has never been greater, that's what the Patriotic Degree represents.
- **To live, serve and protect the Truth.** The Patriotic Degree is the pinnacle of Knighthood. We live, serve and protect the Truth.
- **To consider the Patriotic Degree.** If you are a Third Degree Knight in good standing, it's time for you to consider reaching even further with your faith. It is time to consider the Patriotic Degree.

### **Visions & Goals**

- **Standing Firm in Support of the Order** - Knights of the Patriotic Degree are dedicated to the personal development and continued honor of brother Knights. We are always there to offer leadership, guidance, and encouragement.
- **Proudly Serving the Country** - Knights of the Patriotic Degree glorify God by serving our communities and nations as though Christ were the one being served.
- **Unwavering Support of the Faith** - Knights of the Patriotic Degree hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable, working to keep God in the civic arena, serving the life of the Church, and defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty.
- **Honoring the Legacy of Knighthood** - The Color Corps is an elective division of the Patriotic Degree that presents a visible reminder of our service to the community.

I encourage each and every 3rd Degree member to join the 4th Degree, obtain your Honour Guard Regalia and participate wherever and whenever you can. It will definitely make you proud to be a Knight of Columbus of the highest order and to complete your journey into full Knighthood.

I plan to attend as many Major Degrees as possible this year and look forward to meeting everyone. May this New Year bring you many blessings and much peace.

**Master Ray Gehlen**

## **ATTENTION GRAND KNIGHTS & FINANCIAL SECRETARIES**

Please check your council's roster on the Supreme site to verify your members' status. Some councils have found that some of their members who had received their 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees were recorded as First Degree members. Whenever there is a change of a member's status, for example, he obtains a higher degree, the financial secretary has two options: 1) Send the information on a Form 100 indicating the date that the member was initiated to a higher degree. 2) A Financial Secretary can just go on the Member Management portion of the Supreme web site and enter the Date of the Degree. They do not have to send in a form 100 anymore.

## MAJOR DEGREE SHEDULE 2015-2016

DATE	LOCATION	HOST DISTRICT	2ND DEGREE TEAM	CO/PFC
10-Jan-16	Melfort	18	Saskatoon	Devon/Carignan
17-Jan-16	Saskatoon	26, 27, 28	Saskatoon	Carignan/Deutscher
24-Jan-16	Moose Jaw	4	Regina	Devon/Carignan
21-Feb-16	Prince Albert	17	Saskatoon	Carignan/Carignan
13-Mar-16	Meadow Lake	19	Saskatoon	Carignan/Carignan
24-Apr-16	Saskatoon	26, 27, 28	Saskatoon	Devon/Deutscher
1-May-16	Regina	1, 2, 3	Regina	Devon/Granatier



Left Knights of Columbus , Council 6684 Luseland setting up the crib at Luseland church . As with most jobs 4 white hats and one worker.



Right Our newest knight, Joe Lukan, and his wife and baby playing the roles of the Holy Family at our annual mini-pageant just before Christmas mass. (St. Walburg K of C)



Left New First Degree Team for Council 11429 in Saskatoon

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CONDUCTING FIRST DEGREES

Never have a prospective member wait or travel a distance to receive his First Degree. Therefore, your council should schedule regular and frequent First Degrees and every council should have its own First Degree Team.

Have a positive attitude and a well prepared team ready to conduct First Degrees. This is the first impression that a new member will have of the Knights of Columbus so you want him to feel that he is joining a good organization of dedicated and caring men.

The following three options for conducting First Degrees are listed in order of preference:

1. A First Degree Team who conducts the ceremonials by memory.
2. A First Degree Team who reads the parts.
3. A First Degree Team who uses the First Degree Video.

To conduct the First Degree without using the video, you will need the necessary First Degree paraphernalia. All necessary supplies are available for purchase from:

Enterprises Roger Sauve Inc.,  
6546, Saint-Hubert, Montreal  
Quebec, Canada H2S 2M3  
(514) 270-1211 or 1-888-266-1211

<http://roger-sauve.com>

For a list of necessary supplies, please contact State Deputy Denis Carignan.

To conduct the First Degree using the video, you will need the following:

1. The Ceremonial baldrics (Order them from Roger Sauve)
2. The jewels of office for:
  - a. The Grand Knight
  - b. Deputy Grand Knight
  - c. Chancellor
  - d. Financial Secretary
  - e. Warden
  - f. Inside and outside guards
3. The Constitutional Roll
4. The Candidates' Kit #537 (Includes: rosary, These Men They Call Knights (937), Shining Armour Award, Lapel pin, Membership Document (#100), New Member Travelling card (4817), First Degree certificate (268)) You should also order an Honoree scroll (271)
5. The Compass of Virtue.

The video "First Degree Ceremonial Production" is available on the KofC Supreme Website. District Deputies were also given a DVD which includes a very good video on Conducting First Degrees. This is also available on the Supreme website.

For any information or assistance on conducting First Degrees, please contact Denis Carignan.

### **State Treasurer's Message** **State Per Capita Assessments**

Thank you to all the financial secretaries for your prompt payment of assessments owed to State Council. Emails were sent out to those who have not paid their 2015 assessments. New assessments for Per Capita and Bishop's Mission Fund will be sent out shortly in the New Year.

**Chris Bencharski- State Treasurer**

## Community Activities / Wheelchair Foundation Director

My Brother Knights:

1. Coats for Kids –to date 46 cases of coats were ordered through Supreme and about 6 cases of coats were collected at various Council Parishes. Thank you to all the Councils that participated and helped our Saskatchewan kids with a warm coat.
2. Canadian Wheelchair Foundation:  
Poland - 280 wheelchairs have arrived. These wheelchairs will be distributed from March 30/31 - April 3. If any Brother Knight is interested in going to Poland and helping the Polish Knights with the distribution of these wheelchairs, please send me an e-mail so we can inform the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation of who will be attending.  
Ukraine - 280 wheelchairs will be arriving in Odessa around middle/end of February. From there the wheelchairs will be trucked to Caritas Donetsk in Dnipropetrovsk who is the official consignee. Caritas Ukraine is hoping to keep this shipment in the Eastern part of Ukraine, shared among different Caritas offices who have not yet received any chairs. The Caritas locations will be matched up with those that have a Knights council. Arrangements are being made to include a Kyiv delivery. Distribution of these wheelchairs is planned for middle of May. Again, if any Brother Knight is interested in going to Ukraine to help our Ukraine Knights with the distribution of these wheelchairs, please send me an e-mail. I will keep you posted as more information is available. Thank you to all those members and Councils who have contributed and helped make this project a success.
3. Blood Donation:  
A donor can give blood once every 56 days. Call toll free for an appointment – 1-888-236-6283. Please encourage all members to give blood as often as possible. We never know when we will be the one needing blood.

**Eugene Achtemichuk**

**Community Activities / Wheelchair Foundation Director**



Unity Council 5707 presents certificates to long serving members at State Midterm meeting.

## HAS YOUR COUNCIL RECEIVED THE STATE COUNCIL DIRECTORY?

The Grand Knight and Financial Secretary should have received a copy of the State Council Directory for 2015-16. If your council has not received the Directory, please contact me and/or Bob Barkman at the State Office. We are also asking that you notify us of any errors that you find. Corrections and updates will be made on the State Council website. Corrections and updates will also be emailed from time to time.

The State Council Directory on the State Website is now Password Protected. The Password is being distributed to the District Deputies who will provide it to the Councils. If you need the Password contact Pat Meuse.

## STATE ROUNDTABLE REPORT

Worthy Grand Knights, Worthy District Deputies, Brother Knights

Parish Round Tables continue to be an important way to have a Knights of Columbus presence in those parishes and missions that do not have a Council. Our goal and our destiny is to have the Knights of Columbus connected to the life of the Church that where ever a Catholic man and his family goes he will find our Fraternal Brotherhood waiting to offer him the experience of a lifetime as a Knight.

The Parish Round Table can gather people in their community, assist family life, welcome people and help them to be involved in their neighbourhood and society. No organization in the Church today is better suited to aiding the parish in their mission than the Knights of Columbus. This is why our strategy of a parish-based Round Table in every parish is enjoying so much success. Father McGivney's vision for a Knights of Columbus presence in every parish has placed our Order at the centre of the Church's undertaking today.

Both our existing programs and our future initiatives carry out the work of new evangelization in our Church. No other organization today can make the impact that we can make at every level of the Catholic Church. Our resources and our solidarity with our Bishops and Priests and our founders continued intercession make the Knights of Columbus central to the renewal of the Church.

We have been challenged by Supreme to form fifty Round Tables in our jurisdiction. To date, we now have nine Round Tables registered with State and Supreme. Thank you to the following Councils who have already accepted the challenge: Council 5249 (Esterhazy); 5408 (Langenburg); 5479 (Goodsoil); 5557 (Dysart); 5858 (Moosomin); 5861 (two Round Tables in Canora and one in Buchanan); 9760 (Moose Jaw).

In early September, I received a new listing from Supreme which outlines the home-based Councils and the associate parishes in their district served by the same parish priest. Based on this information, I then prepared individual invitation(s) to the Councils in our jurisdiction. In the Diocese of Regina, we have the opportunity to sponsor forty-eight Round Tables with associate parishes. In the Diocese of Saskatoon, there are thirty associate parishes and in the Diocese of Prince Albert there are twenty-six giving us an overall total of one hundred and four parishes in our jurisdiction that are very much in need of our assistance.

At the Mid-Term Meeting held in Unity from December 4-6, 2015, I invited all the Worthy District Deputies to become actively involved with the formation of Round Tables by delivering the invitations to the Councils in their districts as soon as possible.

A concerted on-going effort is going to be required by everyone to achieve our goal of fifty Round Tables in our jurisdiction this Columbian Year.

In closing, I would like to thank Worthy State Deputy Denis Carignan for providing me the opportunity for coordinating the Parish Round Table Program for our jurisdiction.

**Jim Stoffel**

**State Round Table Director**

## ROUND TABLES GUIDELINES

- The Grand Knight of the Council must initially meet with the pastor and ask him Father, What can the Knights of this parish do to help? The ultimate aspiration of any Parish Round Table remains the same "to serve as needed and when needed by the Parish Priest".
- The Grand Knight explains that the Round Table initiative provides the opportunity to support associate parishes with council programs readily available as outlined in the "Surge With Service" booklet.
- All members of the sponsoring parish council are now members of the Round Table.
- There are no elective officers in the Knights of Columbus Round Table.
- The Grand Knight appoints one Parish Round Table Co-ordinator for each designated Parish.
- The appointed co-ordinator is the only officer.
- The Co-ordinator should meet frequently with the priest to determine the programs the priest wishes to conduct.
- The Round Table has no dues, no regular meetings or collects any funds.
- Round Table projects are completely separate from Council projects.

Only two forms are required for this program – the Report of the Round Table Co-ordinator (Form No. 2629) should be completed by the Grand Knight as soon as possible on-line at [koc.org](http://koc.org) or a hard copy forwarded to me by mail at 3010 Ash Place, Regina, SK S4V 2C8 or fax to 306-585-0411 or if you prefer to email them to me at [stoffels@sasktel.net](mailto:stoffels@sasktel.net). The second required form (Form No. 2630) Round Table Annual Report which outlines a variety of activities can be completed by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Vivat Jesus**

**Jim Stoffel**

# STATE WEBSITE

Our State Website is located at [www.kofcsask.com](http://www.kofcsask.com). It opens on the Home Page (Picture to the Right). It consists of the Menu on the left side, links and articles on the right side and a quick menu on the bottom. From any page you can always select the Site Map from the Bottom right of the page (Picture bottom right) The site map gives a listing of all the pages and links on the web site. Simply click on the link to go to that page. On the home page you can click on any of the menu items on the left side. These will bring up a sub menu (picture below left of the Programs/Organizational Meeting submenu. To go to the submenu item, simply click on it and that submenu item will open up (picture of Monthly evaluations submenu Below Centre). If you cannot find something on the State Web Page, please E-mail me at [wpmeuse@sasktel.net](mailto:wpmeuse@sasktel.net) and I will help you.



## Church and Vocations Jan. 2016 Report

### Holy Family Prayer Program

This year we received 4 Icons and prayer kits to travel our province. I have adjusted the routes from last year so please check them to see when your council is scheduled. The guidelines and schedules have been sent out to all district deputies and grand knights. They are also on the state website. Each council has the kit for four days and can arrange to have their service on one of those days. The district deputies are responsible for timely exchanges to keep it on schedule. Grand knights are to contact the council prior to them to arrange transfer of the kit. This information and more is contained in the email and on the website.



### Spiritual Enrichment Weekend 2016 "The Spiritual Leadership Role of Dads (and Granddads) in the Life of Family, Church and Society"

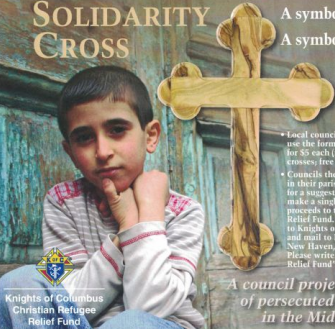
Hosted by Father Lawless council #1534 in Moose Jaw on March 4 & 5, 2016

Speakers include:

- Bishop Albert Thevenot
- John Chick
- Deacon Bob Williston
- Deacon Joe Lang
- Deacon in Formation – Lamont Dyck

Registration forms will be available on the state website

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** A symbol of Suffering  
**SOLIDARITY CROSS** A symbol of Unity  
 A symbol of Hope



\* Local councils and assemblies may use the form below to order crosses for \$5 each (minimum order of 10 crosses; free shipping).  
 \* Councils then offer the crosses to their parishes and communities for a suggested donation of \$10 and make a single payment of the net proceeds to the Christian Refugee Relief Fund. Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus Charities, and mail to P.O. Box 1966, New Haven, CT 06519-1759. Please write "Christian Refugee Relief Fund" in the memo line.

A council project in support of persecuted Christians in the Middle East

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** MAIL TO: Knights of Columbus Supreme Council  
 78 Meadow St, New Haven CT 06519-1759 FAX: 1-800-266-6380  
 PHONE: (203) 752-4214 EMAIL: supply@kofc.org

REQUIRED INFORMATION - PRINT CLEARLY FOR MAILING LABEL		COUNCIL #		DATE	
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ADDRESS (PRINTED WITH ENGLISH NUMBERS)		CITY		STATE/PROVINCE	
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DAYTIME TEL # ( )		CITY		STATE/PROVINCE	
FAX # ( )		CITY		STATE/PROVINCE	
OR charge to your Mastercard <input type="checkbox"/> or VISA <input type="checkbox"/>		SIGNATURE (REQUIRED FOR PAY BY CC OR NETWORK) (TYPE OR SIGN)		TITLE (REQUIRED)	
Expiration Date: _____		CITY		STATE/PROVINCE	
Month _____ Year _____		CITY		STATE/PROVINCE	
QUANTITY (MIN 10)		DESCRIPTION		TOTAL	
		5 inch Olivewood Cross made by Christian craftsmen in the Holy Land		\$5.00	

### Solidarity Cross

Join your brother knights in supporting the persecuted Christian men, women and children of the Middle East by ordering 5-inch olive wood crosses (\$5 each minimum order of 10), crafted by Christians in the Holy Land. Money collected is to be sent in to Supreme. Councils that sell 50 or more crosses fulfill two service criteria under the Church Activities section of the Columbian Award.

For specific details on ordering the crosses, please contact the supply department at 203-752-4214 or [supply@kofc.org](mailto:supply@kofc.org). All additional material and items can be ordered through Knights Gear, accessible through Officers Online.

Order forms are also available on the state website. [www.kofcsask.com](http://www.kofcsask.com)

Supreme highly encourages that all councils participate in this mission.

**Mike Bzdell**  
**Church and Vocations Director**



## **Men's Spiritual Enrichment Weekend**

**Hosted by  
Father Francis Lawless Council  
of the Knights of Columbus #1534**

**March 4 & 5, 2016  
St. Joseph Church, 1064 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW, Moose Jaw, SK**

*The Spiritual Leadership Role of Dads  
(and Granddads)  
in the Life of Family, Church and Society*



**Featuring John Chick  
of the  
Saskatchewan  
Roughriders**

### **OTHER SPEAKERS**

**Bishop Albert Thevenot / State Chaplain**  
(Diocese of Prince Albert)

**Deacon Bob Williston**  
(Diocese of Saskatoon)

**Deacon Joe Lang**  
(Archdiocese of Regina)

**Lamont Dyck / Deacon in Formation**  
(Archdiocese of Regina)

**Student Panel**

St. Joseph Parish & Holy Trinity Catholic Schools

**Christian men from all denominations are welcome!!!**

**Registration Fee is \$40**

**To register now, contact Registrar, Marcel Gagnon**  
(306) 692-8458 or email [mlkc@sasktel.net](mailto:mlkc@sasktel.net)



## State Men's Spiritual Enrichment Weekend

March 4 & 5, 2016

St. Joseph Parish, 1064 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. NW, Moose Jaw, SK

### *The Spiritual Leadership Role of Dads (and Granddads) in the Life of Family, Church and Society*

**Friday:** Registration from 5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1064 3rd Ave NW  
 Mass 7:15 P.M. – St. Joseph Church – Bishop Albert Thevenot / State Chaplain  
 Social 8:15 – 9:30 P.M. (Entertainment 8:30 – 9:00 P.M.)

**Saturday:** Late Registration – 7:30 to 8:30 A.M.  
 Program – 8:45 A.M. – 3:30 P.M. (Lunch, Coffee, Snacks Provided)  
 St. Joseph Parish Mass – 5:00 P.M. – All Are Invited to Attend



## *Featuring John Chick of the Saskatchewan Roughriders*

**Other Speakers:**

Bishop Albert Thevenot /State Chaplain  
 Deacon Bob Williston – Diocese of Saskatoon  
 Deacon Joe Lang – Diocese of Regina  
 Deacon in Formation – Lamont Dyck – Diocese of Regina  
 Student Panel Talking About the Impact of their Dads and Granddads in their Lives

**Who may Attend:** Open to all men of faith ... bring your friends

**Rooms are set aside at:** Various Hotels in Moose Jaw – List of Hotels Attached

**Direct Inquiries to:** Planning Committee Chair, Adolph Rossler - (306) 692-7106 [p.a.r@sasktel.net](mailto:p.a.r@sasktel.net)



K of C Men's Enrichment Weekend  
 c/o Registrar, Marcel Gagnon  
 52 Buttercup Crescent, Moose Jaw SK S6H1A4  
 Phone: (306) 692-8458 Email: [mlkc@sasktel.net](mailto:mlkc@sasktel.net)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Council #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

- ❖ \$40.00 – Registration form & cheque to be sent to address above no later than Fri., Feb. 19, 2016
- ❖ Cost includes Friday social gathering snacks and Saturday lunch, coffee/tea

Please Make Cheques Payable to: K of C – Father Francis Lawless Council #1534

## HOLY FAMILY PRAYER PROGRAM GUIDELINES-Appendix 1

The Holy Family Prayer Program will begin this year with four routes. The schedule indicates the dates that the Icon will be in your parish. We allotted four days per visit and have included Sundays on the schedule. If a council would like to hold a celebration on a Sunday either before or after a Sunday Mass, it would be up to that council to make the necessary arrangements. The following guidelines will help to ensure that the program is successful.

**DD's are responsible for the timely exchange of Icon and to keep it on schedule**

**Inform your pastor of the dates that the Icon will be present in your parish**

**Set a time and date for the Holy Family Hour of Prayer**

**Publicise your prayer celebration in your parish bulletin**

**Contact the council that has the Icon just before you to find out the time and place of their prayer celebration**

**If other councils or round tables are not listed we encourage you to invite them to join in your celebration**

**Attend the prayer celebration of the council scheduled before yours, at which time you will bring the Icon, the log book, and the prayer books to your parish**

**Invite the council next to yours on the schedule to your prayer celebration. If that council is not participating then invite the next council**

**Be sure to fill out the log book with your council's name, location, date the service was held and the number in attendance**

**Be sure to give the log book, prayer books and Icon to the council scheduled after you**

**If there is a conflict with other events in your council you may switch times with another council**

**If each council follows these guidelines, the Holy Family Prayer Program will be a successful and spiritually enriching experience.**

**If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me, Mike Bzdell at 306-545-9963 or email me at mbzdell@sasktel.net**



State Midterm meeting and celebration of 50 years as a council for Unity Council 5707



**2015-2016  
Holy Family Prayer Program  
Route #1**

1	1247	Regina	Jan.4-7
3	12415	Regina	Jan. 8-11
3	10797	Regina	Jan. 12-15
4	1534	Moose Jaw	Jan. 16-19
4	9760	Moose Jaw	Jan. 20-23
9	1731	Weyburn	Jan. 24-27
9	3161	Radville	Jan. 28-31
9	10400	Torquay	Feb. 1-4
9	3165	Estevan	Feb. 5-8
9	5248	Lampman	Feb. 9-12
9	10317	Carlyle	Feb. 13-16
9	4850	Redvers	Feb. 17-20
8	3802	Windthorst	Feb. 21-24
8	7564	Candiac	Feb. 25-28
8	10265	Wolseley	Feb. 29-Mar. 3
8	3559	Montmartre	Mar. 4-7
8	6381	Kendal	Mar. 8-11
7	10239	Balgonie	Mar. 12-15
7	12943	Indian Head	Mar. 16-19
EASTER BREAK			
7	10029	Fort Qu'Appelle	Mar. 28-31
7	5557	Dysart	Apr. 1-4
3	6493	Southey	Apr. 5-8
STATE CONVENTION			
3	10401	Regina	Apr. 11-14
2	10418	Regina	Apr. 15-18
3	5949	Regina	Apr. 19-22
1	4280	Regina	Apr. 23-26
1	4704	Regina	Apr. 27-30
1	9278	Regina	May 1-4
1	10313	Regina	May 5-8
2	5914	Regina	May 9-12
2	9859	Regina	May 13-16
2	8896	Regina	May 17-20
3	11307	Regina	May 21-24
2	13214	Regina	May 25-28
2	15955	Regina	May 29-June 1

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**2015-2016  
Holy Family Prayer Program  
Route #2**

27	1517	Saskatoon	Jan.4-7
27	4938	Saskatoon	Jan. 8-11
27	9538	Saskatoon	Jan. 12-15
27	11936	Saskatoon	Jan. 16-19
27	8279	Saskatoon	Jan. 20-23
28	11429	Saskatoon	Jan. 24-27
28	12156	Saskatoon	Jan. 28-31
26	8301	Saskatoon	Feb. 1-4
27	8638	Saskatoon	Feb. 5-8
27	9690	Martensville	Feb. 9-12
28	10580	Saskatoon	Feb. 13-16
26	5104	Saskatoon	Feb. 17-20
26	9848	Saskatoon	Feb. 21-24
26	9539	Saskatoon	Feb. 25-28
28	11775	Saskatoon	Feb. 29-Mar. 3
26	11888	Saskatoon	Mar. 4-7
26	13129	Saskatoon	Mar. 8-11
28	8215	Saskatoon	Mar. 12-15
28	10587	Saskatoon	Mar. 16-19
EASTER BREAK			
28	8905	Saskatoon	Mar. 28-31
29	6169	Biggar	Apr. 1-4
29	5549	Landis	Apr. 5-8
STATE CONVENTION			
29	3575	Wilkie	Apr. 11-14
29	5707	Unity	Apr. 15-18
15	5626	Battleford	Apr. 19-22
15	2094	North Battleford	Apr. 23-26
15	5878	Delmas	Apr. 27-30
15	7336	North Battleford	May 1-4
15	5694	Vawn-Edam	May 5-8
19	5256	St. Walburg	May 9-12
19	5479	Goodsoil	May 13-16
19	5259	Meadow Lake	May 17-20
16	3456	Debden	May 21-24
16	9761	Shellbrook	May 25-28
16	5353	Spiritwood	May 29-June 1
16	10856	Leoville	June 2-5

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**2015-2016  
Holy Family Prayer Program  
Route #3**

17	1519	Prince Albert	Jan.4-7
17	5543	Prince Albert	Jan. 8-11
17	9949	Prince Albert	Jan. 12-15
17	8547	Prince Albert	Jan. 16-19
17	8655	Prince Albert	Jan. 20-23
20	6755	St. Louis	Jan. 24-27
20	5976	Wakaw	Jan. 28-31
20	3183	Cudworth	Feb. 1-4
20	7497	Prud'Homme	Feb. 5-8
23	6044	Pilger	Feb. 9-12
23	5946	Lake Lenore	Feb. 13-16
23	5838	Annaheim	Feb. 17-20
18	10174	Naicam	Feb. 21-24
18	9757	St.	Feb. 25-28
18	5788	Melfort	Feb. 29-
18	5219	Tisdale	Mar. 4-7
22	3177	Zenon Park	Mar. 8-11
22	7315	Nipawin	Mar. 12-15
22	7140	Carrot River	Mar. 16-19
EASTER			
22	5968	Hudson Bay	Mar. 28-31
		Preeceville-	
21	7138	Sturgis	Apr. 1-4
21	5861	Canora	Apr. 5-8
STATE CONVEN-			
11	2031	Yorkton	Apr. 11-14
11	5182	Yorkton	Apr. 15-18
11	5320	Ituna	Apr. 19-22
11	5201	Melville	Apr. 23-26
11	5965	Grayson	Apr. 27-30
10	5249	Esterha-	May 1-4
10	6182	Gerald	May 5-8
10	5408	Langenburg	May 9-12
10	5858	Moosomin	May 13-16

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**2015-2016  
Holy Family Prayer Program  
Route #4**

12	8338	Lestock-Wishart	Jan.4-7
12	7436	Wynyard	Jan. 8-11
12	5970	Foam Lake	Jan. 12-15
12	8239	Wadena	Jan. 16-19
		Kelvington-Rose	
12	6594	Valley	Jan. 20-23
23	5850	Watson	Jan. 24-27
23	6395	Englefeld	Jan. 28-31
23	8752	Muenster	Feb. 1-4
23	1886	Humboldt	Feb. 5-8
24	6069	Lanigan	Feb. 9-12
24	6529	Viscount	Feb. 13-16
24	5859	Allan	Feb. 17-20
25	5384	Davidson	Feb. 21-24
25	12740	Outlook	Feb. 25-28
13	5238	Rosetown	Feb. 29-Mar. 3
14	7150	Tramping Lake	Mar. 4-7
14	5474	Macklin	Mar. 8-11
14	3920	Denzil	Mar. 12-15
14	6684	Luseland	Mar. 16-19
EASTER BREAK			
13	4899	Kindersley	Mar. 28-31
13	6331	Eston	Apr. 1-4
13	6330	Lancer	Apr. 5-8
STATE CONVENTION			
13	7139	Liebenthal	Apr. 11-14
13	5735	Fox Valley	Apr. 15-18
6	8991	Maple Creek	Apr. 19-22
6	8962	Gull Lake	Apr. 23-26
6	2725	Shaunavon	Apr. 27-30
6	3142	Ponteix	May 1-4
6	3031	Swift Current	May 5-8
6	5393	Hodgeville	May 9-12
4	2071	Gravelbourg	May 13-16
4	3878	Lafleche	May 17-20
4	3360	Assiniboia	May 21-24
4	2994	Liseux	May 25-28
			May 29-Jun 1
4	2513	Willow Bunch	

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**58th ANNUAL  
SASKATCHEWAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE CURLING  
FEBRUARY 26, 27, 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Meadow Lake  
Meadow Lake Council #5259**

December 26, 2015

Dear Brother Knights:

We are pleased to host the State Curling Bonspiel in Meadow Lake February 26, 27, 28, 2016. Each team will be guaranteed 3 games and all teams will receive a prize depending on how your rink will finish. Rooms have been blocked at the following hotels. These rooms are blocked until February 12, 2016. After that date, the hotels make no commitment to supply rooms.

Super 8 Motel [www.super8motel.com/meadowlake](http://www.super8motel.com/meadowlake) 702- 9<sup>th</sup> Street West 306-236-1188  
Woodland Inn [www.woodlandinn.com/meadowlake](http://www.woodlandinn.com/meadowlake) 620-9<sup>th</sup> Street West 306-236-5939

Schedule of Events

**Friday:** Registration- prior to 1st game, all Knights must have current membership card.  
Registration-Meadow Lake Curling Club- 600- 3<sup>rd</sup> Street East  
Curling, you will be called for 1st game  
Social – 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm at Meadow Lake Curling Club- 600-3<sup>rd</sup> Street East  
\*\*\*Spare ribs, salads, desserts \*\*\*refreshments- Sportsman Club

**Saturday:** Curling 8:00 am to 5:00 pm,  
7:30am to 10:00 – Breakfast available at your hotel  
Opening Ceremonies- 11:00 am- Meadow Lake Curling Club  
MASS – 5:00 pm @ Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church-506-3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. East

Banquet – 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm- Catholic Parish Hall

**Sunday** Curling-8:00 am  
Breakfast- at your hotel  
Finals- 1:45 pm

TEAM MAKEUP AND RULES

-Each Team must have at least 2 Knights, others could be either wives, sons, or daughters (or in-laws) of Knights in good standing, or prospective knights of a parish

All games 8 ends

SCA rules apply unless altered by committee

Knights must be in good standing and present a current membership card

Entry Fee- \$250.00 till February 10<sup>th</sup>

Entry Fee- 270.00 after February 10<sup>th</sup>

Entry deadline---February 20<sup>th</sup>,2016

Dear brother Knights,

Meadow Lake Council #5259 welcomes you to the Annual State Curling which will be held in Meadow Lake on Feb. 26, 27, and 28<sup>th</sup>.

We have planned a fun-filled week-end for everyone which will include spareribs on Friday and entertainment on Friday and Saturday. We even have a big bingo on Friday starting at 8:00 next door at the arena for those who wish to go. There is over \$20,000.00 cash to be won.

Every rink-win or lose will receive a prize-depending on placing.

Remember to enter your rink early as we have a limit of 24 rinks.

We already have 8 rinks entered -2 from Saskatoon, 1 from Langenburg, a State Board team, and four from Meadow Lake.

If you would like further information contact the following:

You will find the registration form on the State website and one will be sent to each council.

Rhys Beaulieu- Grand Knight at 236-5959, Kevin Rutt-Deputy Grand Knight at 240-6661, Lawrence Dubray-Drawmaster at 236-4251 or Chris Bencharski-event Chairman at 240-8872

Yours Fraternally,  
Meadow Lake Knights

### REGISTRATION FORM- State Curling- Meadow Lake

COUNCIL # \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/TOWN \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM MEMBERS: SKIP \_\_\_\_\_ TEL # \_\_\_\_\_

THIRD \_\_\_\_\_ TEL # \_\_\_\_\_

SECOND \_\_\_\_\_ TEL # \_\_\_\_\_

LEAD \_\_\_\_\_ TEL # \_\_\_\_\_

Names of the two Knights \_\_\_\_\_,

SKIP'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRY FEE: \$250.00 till Feb. 10th \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Fee: \$270.00 after Feb. 10th \$ \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRA FRIDAY NIGHT TICKETS @ \$5.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

EXTRA SATURDAY BANQUET TICKETS @ \$20.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** A cheque payable to Meadow Lake Council #5259 must accompany entry.

Send entry to: Meadow Lake Knights Curl- 2016  
Robert Twa- Registration Chairman  
6 Marion Crescent



Picture from Council 9760's Keep Christ in Christmas Lighting contest. Judging took place on 12 Dec 2015.



## SASKATCHEWAN K OF C CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

### MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Councils, members or individuals can recognize the loss of a Knight or individual as well as show their support to the family by offering a donation in the name of the deceased through a Memorial Donation.

The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation will provide a charitable tax receipt to the donor. Memorial Fund Donations can be credited to the Capital Fund or any Endowment Fund. They cannot be credited to a Contingency Fund Project.

In addition, a recognition certificate will be sent to the family of the deceased acknowledging your donation (no amount will be given) and indicating that the name of the deceased member will be included in our Memorial Mass celebration.

Beginning with this newsletter, each month a listing of deceased persons who have had Memorial Donations of \$50.00 or more that month will be shown within the State Monthly Newsletter.

#### **DECEMBER MEMORIAL DONATIONS - Our prayers are offered in Memory of**

Bro Roger Ferron - Council 5694 - Edam

Bro Andrew Tumback - Council 6331 – Eston

Bro Joe Glasser - Council 10401 - Regina

Francois Perras - Glenavon

Rose Chorney – Fosston

Bro Walter Yuzdepski – Council 9539 - Saskatoon

Bro Anton Suberlak - Council 2094 - North Battleford

### CONTINGENCY FUND APPLICATIONS

- Provides Councils access to Foundation funding partnership throughout the year
- Councils can raise funding for a special project by acquiring a Grant from the Foundation as well as offering donors an official tax receipt.

- The following projects are currently accepting donations:

**Kayden Kot – Dennis Mahoney Council 8215 Saskatoon** - Kayden Kot is a 4 year old boy suffering from a severe protein and food allergy. Financial support is required to cover costs for treatments not offered within Canada. Peter & Sylvia Kot are members of Holy Family Parish. In addition to donations, Council 8215 is partnering with the Parish & CWL for a fundraising dinner on Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.

**Seminarian Kelly Aalbers – Denzil Council 3177** – Kelly Aalbers recently joined the Seminary as a member of the Order of the Companions of the Cross in Ottawa. He will be completing his training in Detroit Michigan.

Kelly is a member of Denzil Council and the grandson of PSD Marvin & Pat DeSchryver.

**Community Activities Funding** - Under the leadership of the Community Activities Director to promote and raise funds for two major initiatives:

- **Wheelchair purchases** in conjunction with the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation

- **Coats for Kids** program

- Donations may be forwarded directly to the Foundation Office or by credit card through our website at the “Donate Now” tab at [www.saskkofcfoundation.com](http://www.saskkofcfoundation.com). Indicate the project you wish to support and also include your Council & Membership number if applicable. - If your Council has a project, contact the Foundation Office or any Board member.

### GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE

All Grant applications for this year are to be submitted to the Sask K of C Charitable Foundation office by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Application forms can be found on the Foundation website.

## Membership Director report

Happy New Year Brother Knights. I hope everyone had a good opportunity to relax and spend some quality time with family and friends during Christmas.

We had a terrific Mid-term meeting in early December. I know the District Deputies will have a lot to share. The Membership Material will be available on the State Webpage soon enough (I just need to organize it). Please take some time to review the information as we enter the second half of our Columbian Year. It identifies many of our goals, and it provides some basic methods to reach them. I respect that it may not list every manner to reach the goals, and individuals may have other methods. And I will encourage all to do their best. I just ask that everyone continues to work to reach the common goals through these common actions: That we work towards positive growth in the Order in Saskatchewan; That we continue to be role models in our Faith Communities; and That we continue to Evangelize to help encourage those to return to the Church, especially during the Christmas season. We can attain our goals if we truly believe we can do it.

Many of us make a silly new year's resolution. My challenge is that you keep our actions in mind for the next 3 months (new member, positive role model as a KofC, and be prepared to Evangelize to those in need). If you can do this, I am certain we will achieve our Goals.

I look forward to receiving the Incentive forms, and reading your council's actions in the monthly reports. Together, we are making differences in the lives of our Members' lives, our Parishes and Communities and in the World through the Order.

Keep up the GOoD work.

**Joseph Riffel**  
**State Membership Director**

## State Advocate Report

Greetings Brother Knights. Happy New Year. Just a couple of quick thoughts to share. At our Mid-term meeting in December, I talked about Brand Management and Home Corporations. (These and more items are listed on our State Webpage under Programs/ Advocate.) I do ask Councils to review the material as we continue to live in a world that has legal challenges and issues (as identified in the way our Order is refocusing its direction to a Parish-focused group). If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to send me an email or call me in the evenings.

Also, the State Convention is just a season away. I do ask that all Council resolutions be sent to me to review by February 29th. It helps so I can properly prepare them for State Board/Committee reviews as well as presentation in the Convention booklet as required. The basic rules for Resolutions fall under "Charter, Constitution, Laws SEC 56(a), 2014 Booklet" and our "Bylaws of Saskatchewan State Council (2014), Article IX, Section 3 - Resolutions" (2014 version of Bylaws on State Website [kofcsask.com](http://kofcsask.com) under Advocate). And there is more information on the Supreme [kofc.org](http://kofc.org) website, lots under the Officers Desk Reference material. Please keep each resolution to ONE topic. While I do want the 'original and official signed copy' mailed to me for obvious reasons, a scanned copy emailed to me while we wait would be appreciated and will buy your council some time. Thanks.

If you have any questions or concerns related to the Advocate, please don't hesitate to send me an email. I will do my best to help.

**Joseph Riffel**