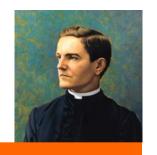


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Mission Statement

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 JANUARY 2017 HAPPY NEW YEAR Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus

A Family of Councils sharing Love, Joy and Hope

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here." 2 Corinthians 5:17

For those of us following the Orthodox Calendar, December has gone – we wish you a Merry Christmas.

For those of us following the Gregorian calendar, December, Advent and Christmas have all come and gone.

We truly hope and pray that you and your families had/will have an excellent Christmas full of Love, Joy and Hope.

On one hand January is the start of a New Year, but it is also the half way point in this fraternal year. Six months have gone. How time flies; remember - - -

As is tradition, when we begin a new year we reflect upon the year(s) past and make resolutions – we resolve to make changes to become a better person in the year ahead. We will diet and lose weight; we will stop smoking; we will exercise; we will save more, spend less; we will pay closer attention to our spouse; we will spend more time with our chil-

dren; we will play harder and work smarter. As Knights of Columbus members and families, top of our lists will likely be spiritual growth and developing a deeper connection with our God, Church, and family.

As Councils we will also reflect on what we have done, what we are doing, and what we can still accomplish in the year ahead. We will pay particular attention to the next six months and what remains in this fraternal year. We will have a complete array of programs lined-up. Basketball Free Throw in January. Valentine's Day and Family Day activities as well as State Curling in February. Ash Wednesday is March 1st, Lent and the Spiritual Enrichment Weekend in Humboldt follow. Easter and State Convention in April. Mother's Day brunches, March for Life and Council election of Officers in May. Council vearend recognition dinners/BBQs and State Golf in June. Not to mention all the other great programs Councils coordinate and sponsor. The Pope, Bishops and Priests all have expressed their high regard for the Knights of Columbus. And I have been to many Council Anniversary celebrations and have heard many Mayors (some Reeves) and other community leaders giving their personal testimony describing the positive contributions the Knights of Columbus have made in their communities.

Key and essential to growing/continuing our charitable good works, being the strong right arm of the Church and community builders, will be our ability to rejuvenate our membership. There is no denying the fact that our membership is growing older. In round numbers 1/3rd of our membership is now age 65 and older; 1/3rd is age 55 to 65. Less than 30% of our members are under the age of 55. It is no wonder that many of the Council officers are serving in leadership positions for the second or third time around. They are getting tired and would appreciate the opportunity to have newer, younger members join the Order and take on leadership roles. There are es-

sentially just 2 choices to be made – recruit new members to pick up and carry the mantle forward. Or watch over the eventual death of the Council. The status quo is not an option.

Province wide, as at January 1, 2017 we had exactly 10,600 members. That is 29 members less than we had as at July 1st of this fraternal year. We have lost 126 members this year – 114 of them who have gone on to their eternal reward.

State Council, through the District Deputies and State Program Directors, is prepared to assist Councils to become membership active. We are prepared to work with the Council on specific, individual Council activities and programs. In addition, through our State Action Plan we have focused our efforts to:

Encourage each and every Council coordinate one new service program this fraternal year. A new program will excite and challenge current members who may think they are in a rut, doing the same old things time and time again. A new program will also introduce the Council to potential members, getting them excited to join a Council with programs that are of interest to them. Be the men, be the families that other men/families want to be with. If a Council has a full load of programs now and can't add a new one, dropping one of the old programs to do a new one is acceptable.

Encourage each and every Council to be a Star Council. Being a Star Council is a tangible, visible demonstration to the Parish, community, current members and potential members that the Council is active in its programs (at least 4 programs in each of the 6 main service program categories), 4 of which are in the Building the Domestic Church designation: meets its membership targets (Council rejuvenation/sustainability): meets its insurance target (protecting members families as envisioned by our founder the Venerable Father Michael J McGivney); and keeps its books and administrative details in order. A Star Council is a successful Council

Ensure each and every Council recruits at least one new member this fraternal year. Ideally we would like to see each and every Council strive to be a Star Council. However, at minimum each and every Council should recruit at least one new member each and every year. At the end of December only 32 Councils in Saskatchewan (22.85% of the 140 active Sask Councils) have recruited one new member this year. Supreme has provided us with a report showing that Saskatchewan is in 72nd place, or last in the Order when it comes to Councils being membership active. Those 32 Councils have recruited 96 new members. Council #11429, Saskatoon leads the way with 20 new members, followed by Council #1886, Humboldt and Council #4704, Regina with 8 each.

Ensure each and every District has at least one

scheduled Admission Degree each month - and that Councils support each other to have successful Admissions Degrees by bringing candidates to the Degree in their District. We look forward to seeing at least 28 Admission degrees scheduled in each of January, February, March . . . (1 each in the 28 Districts throughout the province). It has been shown to us time and time again that recruiters will recruit, and Candidates will accept the invitation to join, when the dates and times of the Admission degrees are planned and known to everyone in advance. With the newly designed State website we can all easily find the dates and times of all scheduled Admission Degrees for the month. Just click on the Degree Schedule tab on the Home Page www.kofcsask.com

Promote the Order-wide Church Drives so that
each and every Council participates. The Oct/
Nov Church Drives have passed. The bad news is
that Saskatchewan was not a good participant.
The results are evident in our last place showing
for Councils being membership active. The good
news is that Councils still have time to prepare,
plan and coordinate Church Drives for the made-in
Canada, Nation-wide Church Drives for the last
weekend in January (Jan 28/29) and the first weekend in February (Feb 4/5). We look forward to all
Councils participating and boosting Saskatchewan
Council being membership active to the top of the
Order!!!! Thank you in advance for your participa-

Yes, it is January, it is winter, it is cold, a New Year has come, and the first 6 months of this fraternal year have been good. Better yet, over the next 6 months it will turn into spring, it will get warmer, the lives we touch will be forever grateful and our successes will be great!!!!!!!!!!!!

On behalf of all of our State Officers, their wives and families, God Bless you, your wives and families with a very happy, healthy and faith-filled New Year.

Vivat Jesus



Brian Schatz State Deputy Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus

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State Secretary's Message

Dear Brother Knights of Saskatchewan,

One of the fundamental tasks of the Knights of Columbus is to provide service to the Church and to build up the Kingdom of God. As a fraternal, catholic, family and service organization, we are a fraternal group of catholic men who are called to Service through our charitable works of mercy which is a charity that evangelizes. We can do this through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

Paragraph 2447 of <u>The Catechism of the Catholic Church</u> states that the works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities. Instructing, advising, consoling, comforting are spiritual works of mercy as are forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently. The corporal works of mercy consist especially of feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead. Among these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity; it is also a work of justice pleasing to God.

As a fraternal society, the knights are examples to our community and parishioners because they conduct many spiritual and corporal works of mercy through the many excellent programs such as coats for kids, food for families, meals on wheels, 40 cans for Lent, support of our clergy, donations to the charitable foundation, donations to the wheelchair foundation, building the domestic church activities, support of the church and our clergy and the list goes on.

Special thanks to all the councils and to all the knights and their families for all the work that you do to help evangelize and build God's kingdom in your communities. Also, special thanks to all council chaplains for your support and encouragement of the Knights of Columbus. We gather as a united group of catholic men in our parishes to assist in liturgical ministries, to participate in the sacraments of the church, and to bear witness to the service of love to our brothers and neighbors, so that our actions may imitate and relive the same self-giving and sacrificial love that the Lord Jesus has for all of us.

I encourage the council leaders to continue your good works and also to assist your pastor in evangelizing your parishes starting with your families and the members of your council.

Also remember to ask other eligible catholic men in the parish to join the knights so that they too can grow in their faith, assist the church and also to take advantage of the many benefits of the Knights of Columbus Insurance program.

Councils are asked to hold church drives in January and February. Our goal is for each council and parish roundtable to recruit a minimum of one new member in January and February. In this way, our councils can remain vibrant and can continue to do the many great programs which I referred to above.

We also ask councils to participate in at least 4 out of the 10 possible Building the Domestic Church programs. A complete listing of possible programs and materials can be found on the Supreme website at www.kofc.org/domesticchurch

Today, we need the Church to continue to be the moral compass of society and the church needs the knights of Columbus to assist with this task. We need more knights to stand up for our beliefs, and to be a shining light to our communities for the support of the church and for Christian family values.

Let us all put forth our best effort to make the next 6 months memorable and productive in our communities and in Saskatchewan.



Vivat Jesus, Chris Bencharski State Secretary/Northwest Cluster Leader



Caring for Our Own



The Knights of Columbus isn't just an insurance company. It's a brotherhood, and so we do things differently. If we were just another insurance company, you'd be nothing more than customers—or potential customers—who only add value based on the products you purchase. But you're not. You're brothers, and so are we. After all, Father McGivney founded the Knights 134 years ago so that we could help each other. So we offer you products and services unique to our industry because we care deeply about you and your families, and your wellbeing.

For starters, we extend to each of our members an Accidental Death Benefit for free, just by virtue of their membership in the Knights of Columbus. The program—which is only available in insurance jurisdictions—provides a benefit of \$1,000-\$2,500 upon the accidental death of any member or his spouse (subject to certain age restrictions). The program was launched at the 113th Supreme Council Meeting in 1994, and has continued to the present day, providing more than \$12.5 million in benefits.

In addition to the Accidental Death Benefit, the Knights of Columbus offer a number of free services to our members and their families. First and foremost, our agents are committed to providing survivor assistance to widows and families let behind after the loss of a loved one. Most commercial agents would fill out the necessary paperwork and move on, but not Knights of Columbus agents. We will stand by you and help you contact your lawyer to sort out the will, help you make funeral arrangements if needed, help you notify and coordinate with the council, help resolve any financial matters, help you file any claims (including claims with other companies), and help file for CPP survivor and death benefits.

Secondarily, we offer two additional services to help Knights' families plan. The first is Profiles & Forecaster, a comprehensive and complimentary industry tool that helps you evaluate your family's financial situation, and to determine what insurance protection—if any—may be needed. The second, the K of C Personal Planning Workbook, will help you record your final wishes and important information (including accounts, passwords, funeral arrangements, etc.) for your survivors. Both of these services are free.

To our insurance members,* we offer two additional programs: the Family Fraternal Benefit Program, and the Orphan Fraternal Benefit Program. The Family Fraternal Benefit Program offers two distinct benefits. The first offers insurance eligibility to uninsurable children. Through the Program, a member can purchase a \$5,000 life insurance policy for an otherwise uninsurable child at standard rates before the child is 61 days old, or at a rated premium if before the child's 18th birthday. A member can also purchase a \$5,000 policy for a mentally impaired child at standard rates between the ages of 3 and 18 years old.

The Program also offers death benefit coverage to members who have lost an infant child less than 61 days after birth, or who have lost an unborn child in a stillbirth after the 20th week. (The Order affirms that life begins at conception. In this instance, the benefit requires a certified death certificate for the stillborn child, hence the 20-week rule.)

The second fraternal benefit program available to insured members is the Orphan Fraternal Benefit Program. This extensive program also provides two benefits. The first is an \$80 monthly benefit for each eligible orphan until their 19th birthday. The second is a scholarship program, which grants eligible orphans up to \$1,750 per year for a four-year period.

In a letter addressing the programs, our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson noted that "These benefits

augment the tradition of fraternity established by Father McGivney, namely, that the **Order cares for its own**, it expands upon a basic reason for which he founded the Order: 'of rendering pecuniary aid to its members, their families, and beneficiaries of members and their families.' "

They are part of what makes us unique.

So get to know all of our fraternal benefits, and the ways in which you may benefit from them. Contact your local agent to learn more. If you don't know who you agent is you may visit our new agency website at www.kofcinsurancesk.ca

*To be eligible for both the Family Fraternal Benefit and the Orphan Fraternal Benefit Programs, the member must be in good standing, and either he or his wife must be insured under a K of C certificate requiring an annual premium of at least \$150, or providing at least \$5,000 in permanent life insurance coverage. Eligibility for the Orphan Fraternal Benefit Program is also contingent on the child being covered by an individual Knights of Columbus certificate.

Vivat Jesus!



Mark Lewans General Agent





Brothers Knights:

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas.

Continue to submit your council's monthly activities on the new Council Activity Program Description Form. The form is available on www.kofcsask.com website.

Continue using the Fraternal Leader Success Planner to plan your programs for the next 6 months. Good planning brings success to your council, keeps your members active and possibly will encourage new members to join your council. The planner will also remind you of important Supreme and State programs. It is a great tool to keep track of all your council activities and to track your council's progress each month. Use the Success Planner to plan, track and report on your results.

A few reminders:

- 1). Form #5023 Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Participation Form is due January 15.
- 2). Form #4584 Partnership Profile Report with Special Olympics is due January 31.
- 3). Form #FT-1 Free Throw Championship Participation Form Council competition by end of January, District competition by mid-February and Zone competition by March 1.
- 4). Form #4001 Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest Participation Form is due January 31.
- 5). Form #1728 Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity is due January 31. It is very important that all councils have this form completed and sent in before or by the due date.
- 6). Form #1295-2 Semi-annual Council Audit is due February 15.
- 7). Nation wide Church Drives to be held weekends of January 28/29 and February 4/5.

All council forms are available on www.kofc.org website.

Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parish - our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said "Today, the Knights of Columbus is providentially positioned to play a key role in the new alliance between the Church and the family called for by Pope Francis... What is necessary now is our greater involvement in the renewal of parish and family life." Go to www.kofc.org/un/en/domestic-church/ to find links to ideas on how to grow your faith as a family and as a council. You can find project ideas that can help promote council member fraternity and possibly attract new members to the Knights of Columbus. Continue to work on the following Building the Domestic Church program initiatives -Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows (to be held Family Day week-end February 18/19), Consecration to the Holy Family, Family Fully Alive devotional booklets (order copies of the newest edition #10162 - limit of 300 per order, shipping costs apply from Knights Gear or the Supply Department), Diocesan-Wide Holy Family Celebrations. Food for Families, Into the Breach Spiritual Formation Groups, 5th Sunday Rosary Program, Family Week Celebrations.

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 for the most up-to-date list of eligible programs and activities and to find resources that will help your council conduct them.

Wishing you and your family a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Vivat Jesus



Eugene Achtemichuk State General Program Director

State Men's Spiritual Enrichment Weekend

March 10 & 11, 2017
St. Augustine Church Humboldt
(Friday)

St. Peter's Abbey Muenster (Saturday)

"A light to the nations - faith, family, fraternity"

Friday:

Registration from 5:00pm-7:00pm at St. Augustine Hall

Mass at 7:15pm

St. Augustine Church
Bishop Brian Bayda / State Chaplain

Social at 8:15pm - 9:30pm

(Entertainment 8:30-9:00pm)

Who may attend:

Open to all men of faith...bring your friends.

Direct inquiries to:

Planning Committee Chair:

Nestor Trach Phone - 306 682 2048

Email - nl7trach@hotmail.com

Details and Registration to follow.



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):		
() Church Activity	() Community Activity	() Council Activity
() PR/Communications Activity	() Culture of Life Activity	() Family Activity
() Membership Activity	() Special Olympics Activity	() Youth Activity
() 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 belo	ow, describe the purpose of this activity.)	
Results of Activity: (In the space provided below	w, describe the results of this activity - did	it affect the Church, community, council, family)
Number of council members parti	cipating in activity:	
Percentage of council members p	participating in activity:	
Number of man hours expended i	n activity:	

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Number of council members participating in act	
Percentage of council members participating in	activity:
Number of man hours expended in activity:	
Attest:	Signed:
(State Deputy)	(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

59th Annual State Curling

Save the Date

February 18, 19, 20, 2017

The 59th Annual State Curling will be held in Regina, Saskatchewan at the Tartan Curling Club on February 18 -20, 2017. Resurrection Council #13214 Curling Committee has made some changes to the draw format which include no draws on the Friday afternoon. Included in this newsletter is an information package with registration form. All councils will be sent an information package from the Saskatchewan State Council office as well.

If you require additional information you can contact Richard Folk (<u>rickfolk41@gmail.com</u>) or Ken Engel (<u>kmengel@sasktel.net</u>). Please consider this fraternal activity. There is a limit of 32 teams so get your team registered.



Murray Campbell State Council Activity Director mwcampbell@accesscomm.ca





phillipmartin.info



December 2016

Dear Brother Knights:

Resurrection Council No. 13214 is pleased to host the 2017 Knights of Columbus State Bonspiel in Regina on February 18, 19 and 20th.

Schedule of Events:

Saturday – Draws: 9:00 am, 11:30 am, 1:30 pm & 3:45 pm.

Banquet 6:30 pm at Resurrection Parish (3155 Windsor Park Rd.) followed by entertainment

Sunday - Mass 9:00 am at Resurrection Parish. Draws: 12:00 noon, 2:30 pm, 5:00 pm & 7:30 pm.

Monday: Draws 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Trophies & prizes will be presented following the last draw.

Team Makeup & Rules

- Each team must have;
 - (a) 4 Knights on a team, or
 - (b) 2 or 3 Knights with the others being a wife or child of one of the Knights, or
 - (c) 1 Knight with the other 3 players being from his immediate family (eg wife, daughter or son).
- SCA rules apply unless altered by committee.
- Games will be 8 ends- ties will be broken by one curler from each team throwing one rock (sweepers allowed). Closest to the button wins.

All games will be curled at the Tartan Curling Club located at 1464 Broadway Ave.

Teams will be responsible for their own accommodations and meals. There are a number of hotels that are reasonably close to both the church and the rink including Chateau Regina 1110 Victoria Ave (306-565-0455 and Holiday Inn 1800 Prince of Wales Drive (306-988-8998).

We hope your stay will be enjoyable and that the curling is a lot of fun - win or lose. If you have any questions please call me at 306-789-0639 or email rickfolk41@gmail.com

Please forward registration forms ASAP.

Sincerely Rick Folk, Chairman





59th ANNUAL SASKATCHEWAN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

STATE CURLING

FEBRUARY 18, 19, 20th, 2017

Regina

Resurrection Council #13214

REGISTRATION FORM- KofC State Curling - Regina February 18. 19 and 20, 2017

COUNCIL	No, CITY/TOWN
TEAM MEMBERS: SKIP	TEL #
THIF	ZD
SEC	OND
LEA	D
SKIP'S E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
Entry Fee: \$300 af	
	quet Ticket@ \$30.00 each \$
TOTAL	\$

NOTE: A cheque for the above amount payable to Resurrection Council #13214 must accompany entry.

Send entry to: Saskatchewan KofC State Curling- 2017

Richard Berard - Registration Chairman

#31-2801 Windsor Park Rd Regina, Sk. S4V 0M9

FURTHER INQUIRIES: Phone Rick Folk at 306-789-0639 or Richard Berard at 306-586-9460

Each skip will be notified by e-mail as to the time his team will curl their first game.

Your first game will be at either 9:00 am or 11:15am on Saturday, February 18th. Out of town teams please indicate if you would like the later draw. We will try to accommodate your request.

All games will be played at the Tartan Curling Club located at 1464 Broadway Avenue. Regina.

PLEASE GET YOUR ENTRY IN EARLY: LIMIT OF 32 TEAMS



Dec 08/16 - Archbishop O'Neill K of C # 8896 donated 2 boxes of coats (girls/boys) to the George Gordon First Nation. Also donated by Bro. Wayne Matt (PGK) & his family were numerous scarves & afghans, happily received by seniors at the First Nation. Great that SC Bishop Bryan & SD Brian could be on-hand for the 'passing of the coats' to Gordon First Nation councillor Byron Bitternose. Missing from photo — Wayne Matt (PGK), Norbert Philippe (PGK), Paul Ponak (DD # 2) — Council # 8896



L to R – Bishop Bryan Bayda (State Chaplain), Byron Bitternose (Gordon First Nation), Bro. Brian Schatz (State Deputy), Fr. Danilo Rafael (Holy Child)

Council # 8896 invited the Holy Child Parish to bring in the 'gently' used clothing articles – toques, mitts, coats, etc.

In total 12 large bags were delivered to Carmichael Outreach & a similar amount to the Marian Centre.

CHARITY IN ACTION!



L to R – Sylvia Nagy (teacher), youth coat recipients, Byron Bitternose (Councillor)

Coats being distributed at George Gordon First Nation

Sheptytsky Council 4938 had 5 members attend a Saskatoon Blades (Western Hockey League Team) hockey game on November 26th, 2016. 3,932 fans attended the game and our council collected coats and cash donations at that game. The council also purchased 12 cases of coats and on December 9th all coats were delivered by Saskatoon Blade players and Council members to youth at White Buffalo. Council 4938 wishes to thank Heidi Gravelle from White Buffalo, Steve Hogle of the Saskatoon Blades as well as Janzen Leslie and Lukas MacKenzie Blades players for all their assistance in the distribution of the 130 plus coats.





DEGREES



An Admission Degree was held at St Philip Neri Council 9539 on Wednesday December 28. We had 6 candidates including 1 Deacon





It is with profound sadness that the family of Jason Piche announce his unexpected passing on Friday, December 23rd, 2016. Jason was born in Saskatoon, on October 10th, 1976, to proud parents Lise and Adrien. Jason is the son of District Deputy Adrien Piche.

Obituary: http://www.mourningglory.ca/notices/Jason-Piche



Social Media Update

Facebook Public Page

We had more than 2235% growth in our video views last month. The numbers on Saskatchewan State Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/KofCSask/ :

Reach November 30 - December 27		Post Engagements November 30 - December 27		Videos November 30 - December 27	
21,500 People Reached 461%		4,319 Post Engagement • 139%		6,864 Total Video Views ▲ 2,235%	

(New) Our Featured Videos for this month

We encourage you to view Featured Videos this month which been watched by thousands across the world

- Our Christmas video: Rita Ora performing "What Child Is This" at the Papal Basilica of Saint Paul Reached 7000 viewers https://www.facebook.com/kofcsask/videos/1006194046191165/
- 2. The Knights of Columbus Emblem of The Order reached 5000 viewers https://www.facebook.com/kofcsask/videos/991277927682777/
- BROTHERS a song dedicated to Knights of Columbus written & sung by Sylvia Marquette (Brother Martin Wrubleski's Sister in Kelvington, SK) Reached 3300 viewers https://www.facebook.com/kofcsask/videos/1003848686425701/
- Keep Christ in Your Christmas https://www.facebook.com/kofcsask/videos/997557023721534/ reached 3000 viewers

Facebook Members Area

Please feel free to join the Sask State members group https://www.facebook.com/groupsCS/Kofask/ .

Twitter

Our tweets earned 1140 impressions over the last 28 day @KofCSaskState .

(New) YouTube Channel

We launched our new YouTube channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2YBn-icoLS1jnbAx5C_wiA, more updates to the channel will be announced by end of February.

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.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



Kevin Kanawati B.Comm., PgD, MSc. IT Social Media Chairman

Introducing our new website

On October 7, 2016, we moved to a new website for the Saskatchewan State Council. The address is still the same – www.kofcsask.com – however, it has a brand-new look. We are using a platform called UKnight which is run by brother knights for brother knights and is already hosting over 1400 council, assembly, state, and insurance websites!

Some of the features of the new website:

- 1. Slideshow showing photos of past and upcoming events.
- 2. News and announcements section.
- 3. State Deputy's Message. State Chaplain's message.
- 4. Upcoming State Council Events.
- 5. State Council Officers photos and bios.
- 6. District Deputies photos and listing councils. District deputies will now have access to a District Deputy Portal. (District Deputies can login to the district deputy portal to post degree events as well as update their council addresses).
- 7. Service Programs photos of State program directors and a brief description of the programs.
- 8. Council Directory and links to councils that have websites. As councils join UKnight, their information will automatically be linked to the State website.
- 9. Chapter websites chapters in Saskatoon and Regina have free websites available.
- 10. College Councils listing the two college councils in Saskatchewan. Each college council is eligible for a free website from UKnight.
- 11. Assembly Directory. As assemblies join UKnight, their information will automatically be linked to the State website.
- 12. Degree Schedule degrees are listed in the schedule. There is even a tool to search for the degree closest to your location.
- 13. Events Calendar.
- 14. Prayer Requests.
- 15. Photo and Video Galleries.
- 16. State Council History.
- 17. Newsletters the Saskatchewan Knightline copies, all the way back to January 2016.
- 18. Links of Interest.
- 19. Officers Only section.
- 20. Insurance a link to Mark Lewans Agency website on UKnight where you can look up your field agent, and get important information about your Knights of Columbus Insurance programs

Our new website has been viewed by 1,749 users who had over 9,985 page views. A majority of our visitors are using Google Chrome, but there are significant numbers using Internet Explorer, Safari, Firefox and Microsoft Edge. As on any website, the information needs to be constantly updated. So, if you find any information that is incorrect or out of date, or you have some information to add, please contact the webmaster, Peter Folk at peter.folk@sasktel.net



Fraternally, Peter Folk Saskatchewan State Webmaster

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.



Edition	Article/Photo Submis	ssion Deadline
February 2017	February 2, 2017	20.0
March 2017	March 2, 2017	
April 2017	April 2, 2017	
May 2017	May 2, 2017	
June 2017	June 2, 2017	500
July 2017	July 2, 2017	





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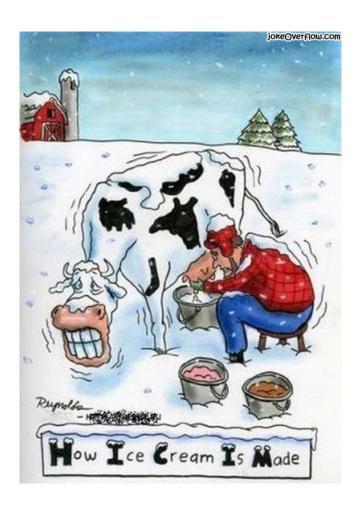
Fourth Degree

EXEMPLIFICATIONS

DATE ASSEMBLY PLACE CONTACT

25 MAR 2017 DR JM HOURIGAN # 1960 MOOSE JAW LAD VALASTIN 306-693-3434 22 APR 2017 ABBOTT SEVERIN GERTKIN HUMBOLDT PAUL MAMER 306-365-2162

BE SURE TO VISIT THE FOURTH DEGREE WEBSITE http://www.sask4th.ca/







SASK K OF C CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

State Newsletter - January, 2017

www.saskkofcfoundation.com

The Sask K of C Charitable Foundation ended the year with a super month in December with \$117,187.00 in total deposits for the month. This gives us total donations for the year of \$339,160 or 467% of our annual target – a great finish to 2016!!!!

When you review the Council results on our website Home page you will view the following:

- 66 Councils have met their \$7.00/member target in 2016. This compares with 59 Councils meeting target in 2015
- 104 Councils are now participating as donors. This compares to 102 Councils with donations in 2015.

When you review the District Deputy results under the Home page on our website you will view:

• 7 District Deputies have qualified for the District Deputy report in 2016. This compares to 9 in 2015.

We invite you to view our website www.saskkofcfoundation.com to see how well your Council did for the 2016 fiscal year.

<u>Contingency Projects</u> - These are projects where funding is raised for a specific purpose in partnership with either the State, Chapter or Council. We currently have four 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
- 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

<u>Annual Grant Applications</u> - 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.

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:

Arthur Cey	Saskatoon	Ernie Greter	Unity	Thomas Brophy	Saskatoon
John Gelowitz	Regina	Gerald Desnoyers	North Bay, Ont.	John & Mary Schachtel	Rosetown
Francis Scheck	Cactus Lake	Carl Schlosser	Saskatoon	Bill Kammermayer	Saskatoon
Dan Zazula	Wadena	Robert Beechinor	Saskatoon	Joe Kammermayer	Saskatoon
Marianne Steiner	Humboldt	George Mucha	Edmonton	Albert & Evelyn Barkman	Lemberg
Alex Herchuk	Yorkton	Eric Gallant	Moose Jaw	Sheila Schmidt	Yorkton

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

Sask Polytechnic Bursaries

There have been some enquiries regarding the annual Bursaries provided to students at the four Polytechnic campuses. We have been informed that three Bursaries were presented to eligible students in Moose Jaw, Regina and Saskatoon in September. There were no applicants for the Prince Albert Campus in September and therefore the \$1,000.00 Bursary will be presented to a student registered at Prince Albert Campus in the January semester. Bursary applications will be accepted at Polytechnic from January 10th, 2017 till the end of the month.

Eligible applicants must be either Knights, son/daughter/grandchild of a Knight. Please inform your membership.



Harvey Granatier, President Sask K of C Charitable Foundation





Canadian All State Recruitment Drive Weekends

New focus on recruitment January 28/29 + February 4/5, 2017 Fraternal Year 2016 -2017



Worthy Canadian State Deputies,

During your Mid-Term Meeting this will be the time to explain your District Deputies that they have 2 months to get ready to have their councils hold their parish campaigns to inform all catholic men that we need their help. Because all 10 provinces will be focused on recruiting new members on these 2 weekends.

Let's ask our councils some hard questions.

When was the last time the Knights of Columbus ask men to join to help? When was the last time the brothers ask non-members to help on programs? When was the last time your council ask what they could do to help the parish?

How do we get start?

Set up a council planning meeting. Then call your parish priest

District Deputies and Grand Knights have to start by explaining to their Parish Priest the benefits of getting new members to join and help in the work around the parish area.

Setting a National Date: The National Drive

At the November 26, 2016 Canadian Knights meeting made a motion.

All Provinces have chosen 2 weekends to hold their Recruitment/Church drives, so Priest can choose one of 2 weekends.

Both - January 28/29 & February 4/5, 2017.

And all results will be recorded and shared in a Conference Call set for late February 2017

Note: This is before the start of Lent.

Setting a District dates for Admission Degrees

1st Degrees/Admission Degrees should be putting those new prospect within 2 weeks after your Recruitment Drives are finished.

Setting a date: For new Members/Families involvement.

Set a date to hold a program to help the parish, the poor, and the community. new members will feel they are truly helping.

So those

Building the Domestic Church, is Building our Catholic Families, is getting those families giving of themselves.

It's our time in 2017 to rebuild our Canadian Councils to serve more families in need.

Guy Precourt, MPC, Member of Association Canadian Knights of Columbus

"How easy is it to talk to another Catholic man?"

Recruiting Demonstration

Worthy Brothers,

For a number of years now, the Order has been promoting, "One New Member, Per Council, Per Month." What a great mantra that is easy to say as a group, but how can we put these words into action? We need our council membership teams to practice recruiting....

Steps to Recruiting - Demonstration

At or before the Council Meeting a quick way to contact a man after Mass should be demonstrated.

Step 1 – Practice Recruiting

After hearing the pitch about why someone should join, each member on the team should **partner up** with someone. **Work in together as a pair**. One Brother from each pair goes first and gives a 30 second attempt to recruit the "prospect" and then after 30 seconds "**Switch**!" the "prospect" becomes recruiter and has 30 seconds to try to get information to his partner.

Step 2 – Practice Recruiting

Has your District Deputy or Grand Knight led your Council in this exercise? Maybe we should start now!

At each and every meeting, pair up and spend a minute (30 seconds each) practicing your method of approaching "prospects." Members may feel awkward at first, but after a couple of meetings where each Brother practices, they should become more comfortable. After you begin these practice sessions, be sure to ask at subsequent meetings, "How many of us have used our practice after Mass on men who are not Knights?" Applaud those that have taken the bold step of approaching men to join the Knights.

Step 3 – Problem/Solution

Once your Council members are comfortable with their 30-second recruitment speeches, **ask the "prospect" to throw them a loop**. The "prospect" is to say no, they are not interested because of (lack of time, family commitments, not from the parish, or any other reason). Ask partners to share with the entire Council if one of them had a good way to turn the objection around.

*** This is the 30-Second Approach sample: "You only have 30 seconds to make a good impression..."

(Handing him a flyer with your contact information written on the back).

(Hold onto the flyer a second or two as he takes it from you)

"You'll probably have some questions about the Knights after reading this over, right?"

(You are shaking your head yes as you say this.)

So, would be willing to jot down your name & phone number on this card, so I can give you a call you in a couple of days and set a time when we could meet with you and your wife over a cup of coffee for 15 minutes?

...... "I look forward in talking with you this week to set an appointment with you and your wife".....

Let's act on "One Member, Per Council, Per Month" by practicing recruiting at every meeting. Brothers will use this system at Masses, and other Church events, or everywhere they meet Catholic men. This could easily lead to... "One New Member each and every month."

Pre Parish Drive Checklist

At the Parish

- Meet the priest and secure the church for all masses of the planned weekend
- Discuss with the Parish Priest and Council Members which potential candidates could be approached to attend the Open House
- A council Display table at each church showing pictures and results of Council achievements
- Coffee/munchies available in the church hall promotes better interaction after the mass

Order Materials Needed 4-6 weeks before the weekend of the drive:

- Enough Fr. McGivney Prayer Cards for all the masses/parishes + 500 extra (English 10115 6-13 French 10115-F 5-14)
- Prospect Cards (#921A) At Least 100 per church
- Enough small pencils to distribute with the prospect cards in the pews
- Order Prayer Cards and Candidate's Kits (#531)
- Shining Armor Qualification Card (#4294)
- Emergency Personnel Flyer (#4582)
- Blitz Kits 1 Free order per council per year

http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/membership/blitzform.pdf http://www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/membership/driveform.pdf Available as well from SMD Don Brophy, State Treasurer Joe Riffel, State Deputy Brian Schatz

Flyers: Public Service Min 100

Flyers: 24 hours Min 500 per parish

Flyers: 10 keys

Flyers: Why Join/ become a knight

Flyers: Insurance benefits

Manpower for the Drive

- Must have at least 3 knights per exit 1 hr before every mass where we are doing the drive
- Need to have 1 Pulpit announcer
- Support of a Fraternal Counselor if available
- Support of the District Deputy

Additional Planning

- Schedule an Open house in the week following the drive and advertise it in the Church Bulletin
- Schedule a first Degree within 2 weeks following the Drive with your DD
- Identify alternate 1st Degree dates in nearby area to facilitate new candidates (Ensure most Council members are available to attend the first degree and welcome the new members)
- Ensure the Admissions Committee is available for the Open House