

# Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus



## Illinois Knights News



Logan Ludwig, State Deputy

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Frank Ryan, Editor



### **Leadership: Our Response to the Situation at Hand**

Leadership has many definitions, but the one I prefer is "our response to the situation at hand". Most often leadership is about how we handle everyday, often mundane, events. This year, our members, the real leaders of the Illinois Knights, have demonstrated your leadership in diverse and wonderful ways.

**Membership:** In March, the total Illinois membership passed 71,000 members! Currently, Joliet Diocese is leading the state in percentage of membership growth with 59% of goal; however, Chicago Archdiocese is leading the state in net membership growth with a net membership growth of 312. Two programs – the BLITZ and the Welcome Back Brother Program - have been especially helpful in focusing our councils' attention on recruitment of new members and retention of current members. The BLITZ has been directly responsible for the large number of 1<sup>st</sup> degrees reported and the record number of scheduled major degrees (72).

The Welcome Back Brother Program is bringing many members who had left the Order back to our councils while other membership conservation efforts have combined to help us achieve one of the lowest suspension rates in many years.

**Programming:** Early indications from the Columbian Spirit program are also encouraging. I will be very pleased to present what might be

over 70 "Illinois Best" awards at this year's Annual State Convention. We also see as a very good year for councils achieving Star Council status. Our latest tracking report projects as many as 85 councils may achieve this coveted Supreme Council award. Our State Council Bowling Tournament hosted by CC Boyle Council #4698 was also a great success this year. Over 125 teams participated. The State Squires Convention saw nearly 100 youth leaders and potential Knights attending. Additionally, response to the KC Academy continues to be overwhelmingly positive.

**Charities:** Your response to another situation – support for vocations – has also been gratifying. Our Vocations Raffle generated over \$80,000 this year- the highest amount collected since the program began. With only a few councils still needing to turn in their Mental Retardation/ Learning Disabilities funds, we are very close to achieving this year's goal. The Newman Fund is also doing well and has received an additional boost with a sizable stock donation from a brother Knight. To-date, Illinois State Council K of C Charities has distributed nearly \$750,000 from its four charitable funds.

Daily - in thousands of small and large ways – our members respond to the situation at hand and they practice our principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. The show leadership that helps others to **TASTE and SEE ... The Goodness of the K of C**

I look forward to seeing everyone at this year's State Convention an celebrating with you an exceptional year!

## 106 Annual State Convention May 27-30, 2004 - Rosemont Hyatt

### CAMPAIGN PROTOCOL

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As the Illinois State Convention is almost upon us, Jim Bednar, State Advocate, would remind and make a request to ALL involved in the upcoming elections taking place at the convention. Although it is impossible to cover all situations and circumstances, certain guidelines, protocols and procedures are well established and should be adhered to:

- The use of the State Council Membership directory for "solicitations" and "fundraisers" without the written approval of the State Deputy is prohibited.
- In speeches, campaign literature, and all other materials, the word "consideration" is to be used in lieu of "support".
- Buttons, banners and other promotional pieces should not include wording such as "Tom Jones for Advocate", "Candidate for", or words to that effect. For informational brochures, heed the words of Joe Friday, "Just the facts, Ma'am. Just the facts."
- No campaign buttons, banners, signs or paraphernalia are permitted in the business session or in the caucus rooms at the State Convention. Such items may be distributed at the Friday Night Social or in your hospitality suite.
- Only official state convention banners and signs may be posted in public areas of the hotel.
- Nominating speeches for state officers are limited to three (3) minutes. There will be no more than three (3) seconding speeches. These seconding speeches are limited to thirty (30) seconds each.
- Council resolutions asking for consideration of the delegates for a particular candidate similar to those for Supreme Council Director are not prohibited but are not encouraged at the State level.

The above rules also pertain to those seeking to be delegates to the 2004 Supreme Convention in August in Dallas, TX.

If you have questions/concerns please feel free to contact James Bednar, State Advocate  
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### Special Attractions

#### **Father Gabriel B. O'Donnell, OP, McGivney Guild Director to Address State Convention**

Dominican Father Gabriel B. O'Donnell, postulator for the cause of canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney, will address the attendees of the 106<sup>th</sup> Annual Illinois Knights of Columbus Convention during the State Deputy Banquet on May 29, 2004.

We are privileged to have Father O'Donnell join us for our State Convention and share with us the latest developments in the cause for sainthood for Father McGivney. You are encouraged to purchase your dinner tickets early as space is limited.

#### **"Lunch & Learn" Training Sessions [NOON – 2:00 PM]**

Two concurrent training segments are planned: one providing helpful tips and guidelines on Programming and Charities activities; and one providing tips and guidelines on Membership activities. This will be a great opportunity for members to voice commonly asked questions and to learn from commonly made mistakes. Each segment will have:

- A video presentation immediately following the initial lunch time.
- Helpful tips and guidelines
- A question and answer period.

We recommend that council delegates split their attendance and then compare notes to share with their council members. Registration (being mailed separately) is required to allow us to better plan for lunch and other needs.

#### **Friday Night Surf & Safari**

Come join the fun and fraternity at the Friday Night Surf and Safari party! Games! Prizes! Dancing Elephants!

#### **Civic Reception**

Don't miss the Saturday morning Civic Reception! Special guest vocalist will sing the National Anthem. Family of the Year; Knight of the Year Presentations; State Columbian Squires Officers Installation; State of the State Address

## State Membership Director

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Brother Knights and the 71,000 members of this year's membership team. Yes, that is correct - 71,000 Illinois Knights. With the very successful major degrees in the last two weeks, **Illinois has over 71,000 members.** Why so successful? The tools that are available for recruiting new members are why!

At the start of this fraternal year at the summer DD meeting, participation in the two Illinois **Membership Blitz's and the scheduling of frequent 1<sup>st</sup> degrees and Major degrees** were stressed to our Worthy District Deputies. At the time of this printing, **72** Major degrees have been scheduled. To borrow a quote from the movie, A Field of Dreams, "Build it and they will come". The Illinois Knights have built it and they are coming. **72** scheduled major degrees could be a record for the most in one year. Congratulations to all of the Worthy Grand Knights and council members for achieving this milestone. This proves that when you schedule degrees, our great council members will recruit.

**The Welcome Back Brother** program is also one of the tools that we have for membership recruitment and growth. 222 former brother knights have re-joined the ranks of Knighthood. What better way to start off a council's membership campaign, finalize the fraternal year, or to assure the council of Star Council status than to welcome former members back to our family.

**The Shining Armor Award** is just the ticket for continued council growth. I urge all Grand Knights to participate in this program. How easy it is for a new member to gain the Shinning Armor Award:

- 1) Attend 3 council business meetings
- 2) Participate in 3 council activities
- 3) Obtain his 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees
- 4) Meet with the councils field agent
- 5) RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER

All of this must be done in the first year of membership. Wow! A new member attending council meetings, volunteering in council activities, receiving the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees, meeting with the field agent and recruiting a new member for the council all in his first year of membership. The council cannot do anything but grow. These are action plans for success,

council growth and the ability of our order to be viable in the future.

The best tool we have at our disposal is of course the **Illinois Membership Blitz**. October and March of this fraternal year have been very good for membership gain in Illinois. This can be attributed to the councils holding some type of Membership Blitz activity and conducting 1<sup>st</sup> degrees along with the many scheduled major degrees. Worthy Grand Knights you should be setting down with your council membership directors **NOW** and planning for next year's Membership Blitz's.

- Contact your respective Pastors and schedule the dates for next year.
- Update your membership recruitment material
- If you do not have a council tri-fold now is the time to make one up. There are many resources available to help you with formatting your tri-fold.

The State Convention is fast approaching and many awards will be given out. The top award a council can receive is the Star Council. Will your council be among the Star's this year? As of this writing there are 89 councils who are close to achieving the Star Council Status. Make sure all the proper paperwork is in on time. What a better way to honor the council members than achieving Star Council status!

Which diocese will be entertaining in a hospitality suite furnished by the state? The Joliet Diocese is sure making a good bid for bragging rights as the top recruiting diocese in percentage, but there is still time for one of the other dioceses to have the key handed to them in May! See you at the Hyatt Regency!

## NCD Director

Bob Bukowski [rebukowski@earthlink.net](mailto:rebukowski@earthlink.net)

The Supreme Council theme this fraternal year is "Building A Better World – One Council At A Time". With the establishment of 5 NEW Councils since January the Illinois Jurisdiction is contributing to that goal.

CONGRATULATIONS and WELCOME to our 5 NEW Councils: (next page)

In the Rockford Diocese, **Fox Valley South #13436**. The council will meet at St. John the Baptist Parish in Somonauk under the leadership of Charter Grand Knight Charles Sondgeroth. DD #43 Stuart Murray and PSW Bob Flinn were the driving force in establishing this council.

In the Chicago Archdiocese, **Mater Ecclesia (Mother of the Church) #13441**. The council will meet at Our Lady Mother of the Church Parish in Chicago under the leadership of Charter Grand Knight Daniel Lasiewicz. DD #9 Vince DeRosa, FDD Dan Lasiewicz and PSW Bob Fuggiti were the driving force in establishing this council.

Also in the Chicago Archdiocese, **Our Lady of the Grove #13448**. The council will meet at St. Mary Parish in Buffalo Grove under the leadership of Charter Grand Knight Theodore Gressick. FDD Thaddeus Steward was the driving force in establishing this council.

Another in the Rockford Diocese, **Sacred Heart #13476**. The council will meet at Sacred Heart Parish in Marengo under the leadership of Charter Grand Knight Robert C. Wedell. DD #41 Tony DePippo, NCD Bob Thomas and PSD Joseph Kaltwasser were the driving force in establishing this council.

Our newest council has just been instituted at Clifton/Chebanse in the Joliet Diocese, Name and number yet to be determined. DD #34 Steven Savoie and FDD David Lager are the driving force in establishing this council.

We must continue "Building A Better World – One Council At A Time" so all eligible Catholic men can "TASTE AND SEE.... The Goodness of the K of C".

### **State Program Director**

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At the beginning of this fraternal year, State Deputy Logan Ludwig invited all of us to "make the elephant dance" this year in Membership, Programming, and Charitable Activities. You have seen the monthly reports from both Membership and Charitable Activities showing how councils are coming together to make this year one to remember for years to come. The numbers are a continuation of the growth that

started under Past State Deputies Joseph Pietruszyski and Bill Spainhour.

However, there remains some confusion on the Programming side. State Deputy Ludwig has instituted an awards program wherein councils compete against only themselves, and not against their Brother Knights in other councils. The **Columbian Spirit** program offers each council the opportunity to set programming events for the year, complete those programs, and then report on them. The program offers a great opportunity for each council to let everyone in the Illinois jurisdiction know what they are doing to promote their council and their Order in the community.

As of the end of March, there were approximately 25 percent of the councils in the entire state that had met the membership requirements for the **ILLINOIS BEST** award under the **Columbian Spirit** program. Remember, there are initial requirements under Membership, Charitable Activities, and Programming in order to be eligible for **ILLINOIS BEST**. If your council does not meet those initial requirements, it is still eligible for the other **Columbian Spirit** awards: MARINER'S, DISCOVERER'S, and VOYAGER awards.

Remember to complete your **Columbian Spirit** report forms, total your points for events, verify your scores with your District Deputy, and have him submit the score sheets to the General Program Director. Remember: the job's not complete until the paperwork is done.

### **COLUMBIAN SQUIRES**

Congratulations to the State Circle on the completion of their annual State Convention in Springfield. State Chief Squire Luke Niemeyer did an excellent job this year, and he and all of his State Circle Officers are to be commended for the work that they did this past year. Details on the new State Circle Officers, as well as highlights of the convention, will be provided, as well as at the Knights of Columbus State Convention.

There also continues to be work on development of new Squires Circles. If you know of an area where a Squires Circle is needed, please contact State Youth Activities Director Wayne Mitchell or State Squires Chairman Mike Nettemeier.

## Squires Convention



State Chief Squire Luke Niemeyer presents State Deputy Logan Ludwig with a elephant, almost all of this year's State Squires Officers are or will be members of the Order shortly. They are making the elephant dance.



State Circle of the year: Breese Circle # 3115

### DEADLINES, DEADLINES, DEADLINES

Brothers: Don't forget to get your paperwork in to the State Activity Directors for Program and Knight of the Month submissions. These forms are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month following the event; we're getting a lot of reports in March and April for events that happened last summer. Events for April must be submitted by April 30 if you want them to be considered for State Program of the Year.

Also: Family and Knight of the Year submissions are due by April 30. Forms are available on the State Council website. Please note: These formats are the ones that must be used for all nominations. The State Deputy made this very clear to all District Deputies that attended the summer and mid-year District Deputy meetings.

Please consult recent mailings and your Programming Handbook for additional details on deadlines for submissions and considerations.

### MORE YOUTH ACTIVITIES...

April continues to be a busy month for Youth Activities. Both the State Free Throw Championships and the State Spelling Bee are being hosted at St. Thomas More High School in Champaign; the date is April 24. Winners will be announced at a later date.

Both the State Council and Supreme Council essay contests have been underway. Many thanks to those councils that participated in all these events.

### AND FINALLY...

**Paperwork, paperwork, paperwork.**

**Deadlines, deadlines, deadlines.**

I think that says it all. The Programming Team is looking forward to seeing all of you at the 2004 State Convention. May God bless all of us in this Easter Season. Vivat Jesus, and keep the elephant dancing! Keep up your programming activities (remember, Programming is a 12-month process, just like Membership and Charitable Activities), and you will help others to **TASTE and SEE ... the Goodness of the K of C!**

### DUE AT SUPREME NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2004

Every council in Illinois should at a minimum earn the Columbian Award; you do the work, so why not get credit for it. Just fill out the simple application and submit it to Supreme. It is that easy. What better way to thank your brothers in your council for all the hard work they do.

Remember, it's the last requirement to earn the STAR COUNCIL AWARD.

It's not too early, fill it out and send it in now. Remember to send your District Deputy and State Council a copy of the report.

Any questions, contact your District Deputy or the State Forms Chairman, Don Lajoie for assistance.

## Charitable Activities Director

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### (RSVP) New Guidelines Beginning July 1, 2003

The Order launched the (RSVP) program in 1981. Under this program, local K of C councils or assemblies agree to make an annual contribution of \$500 or more to an individual seminarian to help with his expenses. Council and assemblies can sponsor more than one seminarian if their resources permit. In each case, the minimum annual contribution is \$500 per seminarian. For every \$500 given to an individual, the Supreme Council will refund the council or assembly \$100. **The maximum refund a council or assembly can receive is \$400 per individual supported.** For circles of Columbian Squires, the annual contribution per seminarian is a minimum of \$100, with each circle eligible to receive from the Supreme Council a refund of \$20 for each \$100 contributed.

### The following persons are eligible to receive RSVP funds:

- Seminarians who have been accepted by a Diocese and are currently in their "spirituality" year.
- Seminarians attending major seminaries (usually, four years) in preparation for priestly ordination.
- Seminarians in their "pastoral" year (most often, when they are deacons);
- Seminarians attending college seminaries (sometimes called minor seminaries)
- Seminarians who belong to a religious institute and are currently in formation for the priesthood (religious seminarians are often called "Brother" even though they will eventually be ordained as priests);
- Men and women who are novices or postulants in religious orders or religious communities.

Those eligible for assistance include foreign seminarians studying in the United States or Canada; U.S. or Canadian seminarians studying overseas; seminarians from your home diocese currently attending seminaries in another diocese, state or country; and seminarians from other state or diocese attending a seminary located in your jurisdiction.

### Persons not eligible for RSVP funds:

- Priests or religious seeking assistance for continuing education.
- Religious brothers not currently studying for the priesthood;
- Candidates for the permanent diaconate.

## Vocation Support Program

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**Knights of Columbus  
Germany \* Switzerland \* Austria  
Bishop Roger L. Kaffer  
Pilgrimage Chaplain  
October 7 – 19, 2004**

As always, this will be a pilgrimage (but not a retreat). We'll certainly have daily Mass, some praying and singing on the bus and certainly some sightseeing, shopping, eating and lots of fun off the bus! And not only do we anticipate having a great time ourselves, but this will likewise be part of the Knights of Columbus Vocation Program to encourage and help the wonderful young seminarians who are getting ready to lead your children and grandchildren into the new Springtime of Christianity that John Paul II foresees!

Among the places we'll visit will be Frankfurt, Munich, Oberammergau, Heidelberg (with a boat trip on the Rhine) and Lucerne.

The Most Rev. Roger L. Kaffer, Chaplain for the Illinois State Council Knights of Columbus and retired Bishop of Joliet, will be our Chaplain for this memorable trip. Bishop Kaffer will be celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination in May 2004. Let's continue this celebration with him.

**For more information:** contact Ron Ziemba at 847-577-9260 or Bill Brown at 217-227-3748.

## Sports Activities

### State Horseshoe Tournament

**Aviston # 1110 August 28, 2004**

**Contact Gary Gunderson 630-257-7471**

### State Baseball Tournament

**Quincy # 583 June 26 – 27, 2004**

**Contact Mike Gebke 618-765-2452**

## KC Academy

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### Thank you...we've only just begun!

We appreciate all who attended and took an active part in both our fall and spring training sessions. Our fall session focused on grand knights and our most recently completed spring series focused on Financial Officers. Your comments on both of these segments were very positive based on your completed evaluation surveys. You have also urged us to continue doing this sort of training continuously and on a variety of topics. To that end, the KC Academy is working to establish a common practice of organizing regular fall and spring sessions. Additionally, as the KC Academy increases its faculty there will be greater opportunities to provide more than one training session within each diocese. Please be patient with us as we've only just begun!

### What's next?

We are working with Supreme Council to develop a series on the Financial Secretary Personal Computer (FSPC) program. Since there are enhancements to the FSPC currently being developed at Supreme Council, the KC Academy is considering a pilot workshop in one or two dioceses to determine how best to assist current members' use of the program. This effort will likely be separately handled from plans being developed for the July organizational meeting with the district deputies and our fall training sessions. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at my e-mail address or you may call me at 630-932-9107.

### Our Lady of the Rosary



State Secretary Paul Havrilka Jr. presents Icon to Father Don Abel as DD Richard Moore looks on.

## Columbian Boosters



Pictured above are this year's Columbian Boosters Recipients and Presenters seated from left to right:

Recipients (front row): Eugene Giudice, Tony LaManna, John Gecewicz, Bishop Roger Kaffer and John Lisk.

Presenters (back row): John Peters, Bob Bukowski, State Deputy Logan Ludwig, Father James McIlhone and Bob Fuggiti.

## Family Baseball Games

Chicago Cubs Vs Florida Marlins – Sept. 11, 2004  
St. Louis Cards Vs Arizona Diamondbacks – Sept. 18, 2004. **Tickets on sale SOON**

## Peoria Night of Knights



The honorees and selected guests included, front row from left: Robert Becker, Rev. Patrick Riordan, Rev. Eugene Finnell, Rev. Gerald Verdun, and James Berry.

Standing from left: Mark Schwartz Peoria Diocese Chapter President, Tom Bienemann, Paul Flynn, Paul Molloy, and Jim Bednar State Advocate.

## **What is Newman? Newman History and Purpose**

Campus ministry began in the American Catholic Church in 1883 at the University of Wisconsin. An invitation for Thanksgiving dinner found the table topic turning to the “anti-Catholic” attitude. Mrs. Melvin, the dinner hostess, suggested a literary society be formed to help students better understand Catholicism. Thus was formed the first “Melvin Club”.

Timothy Harrington, one of the Melvin Club students, later started a similar club at the University of Pennsylvania. He named it the “Newman Club” after reading John Henry Cardinal Newman’s The Idea of the University. According to the American Council for Education (ACE), 5,355,000 Catholic men and women are enrolled in this country’s colleges and universities, the vast majority (87 percent) in public and private non-Catholic institutions. Over 700,000 students are enrolled at one of the country’s 235 Catholic colleges and universities. ACE estimates that Catholics make up 35 percent of all college freshmen in the 2001-02 school year.

Every day 973 Catholic campus ministry centers serving 2,312 U.S. public, private and Catholic colleges offer community-service programs inside and outside the United States. These programs usually include campus ministry mentors to help students reflect on what this experience means to them.

Newman Centers at state-supported colleges in the 1950s, '60s and '70s addressed students' sacramental and social needs but were less likely than Catholic colleges to offer courses in theology, liturgy, moral issues or spirituality. Whereas the motivation was once safeguarding Catholics from "losing their faith" at state-supported schools, today campus ministry programs everywhere work to foster a faith that will grow as the students mature and accept new responsibilities in family, Church and society.

Today's campus ministry efforts build on *Empowered by the Spirit: Campus Ministry Faces the Future*, a November 1985 pastoral letter from the U.S. bishops. They identified six aspects for all campus ministry programs:

- Forming a Faith Community
- Appropriating the Faith

- Forming the Christian Conscience
- Educating for Justice
- Facilitating Personal Development
- Developing Leaders
- Vocation Ministry

### **The Newman Catholic Ministries Fund**

In 1917, the Illinois Knights of Columbus dedicated itself to support the Newman Center at the University of Illinois. Later, with the expansion of Newman Campus Ministries at other colleges and universities, Newman Campus Ministries became the #1 charity of the Illinois Knights of Columbus. In the dedicated partnerships between the Knights of Columbus and the Newman Catholic Ministries students experience a practical example of our primary and most important principle – Charity. If we are to continue to actively support the Newman Centers and Programs on our secular colleges and universities for our Catholic students, our dedication to this program must continue and it must grow. To do so, we must strive to increase our support of this most worthwhile program.

The Newman Campus Ministries Fund supports the day-to-day budgets of many centers and programs. Our goal in Illinois is for each of our 71,000 members to contribute \$4.25; however, donations are not restricted to members only. Councils are encouraged to sponsor programs such as Newman Walk-a-Thons so that our children, grandchildren, nephews, and nieces will be able to attend Newman Centers and programs that foster our faith. The Century Donor Program recognizes those individuals that have offered significant contributions of \$100, \$500, \$1,000 or more. To participate in the Century Donor Program, individuals need not make a single minimal donation of \$100 but can receive this award if their contributions total \$100 or more throughout the fraternal year.

The Newman Campus Ministries Program plays an important role in keeping Christ in our young adults. Without the support of the Illinois Knights of Columbus, many Newman programs would simply cease to exist.

## State Convention Update

The State Convention is approaching fast! Have you cleared your calendar and made plans to be there? Do not miss the dancing Elephant at the Friday Night party.

The State Convention team has gone all out this year to make this State Convention the best ever. A few highlights:

- The Civic Reception will be opened by a special Guest singer,
- A Field trip for the youth is planned. They will go to see the Fire Station at O'Hare Airport. Rich
- Spada and his team have planned on site training session with a box lunch and an expanded Q/A period.
- A youth pool party is planned for Saturday Evening and much more.

Prices for meals have remained low for both the Ladies Luncheon at \$ 24.00 per ticket and the State Deputy's Banquet tickets at \$ 35.00 each. The room rates are the best found in the area based on accommodations at \$ 114.00 per night, and the Hospitality Suites are top notch. You can make your room reservation on-line at [ohare.hyatt.com](http://ohare.hyatt.com) or by phone just call (847) 696-1234. Which Dioceses will win the free Hospitality Suite from the State Deputy?

The weekend will be fun for the whole family so come out and celebrate your Faith, with your Family, by showing your Fraternity and support to our State Officers.

Frank & Shelly Schwartz  
Illinois State Convention Chairs.



## STAR COUNCILS

### Councils Already Achieving Star Council Status as of 3/31/04

Council	Diocese	Council	Diocese
854	Peoria	13201	Chicago
1369	Joliet	4384	Belleville
2782	Peoria	2601	Joliet
4338	Chicago	11092	Joliet
5752	Peoria	12286	Peoria
11874	Rockford	<b>Councils achieving Insurance Quota but not meeting membership Quota</b>	
11981	Chicago		
12005	Joliet		
13103	Peoria		
13216	Springfield		
13267	Chicago		

### Councils Meeting Membership Quota, but Need Insurance Members for STAR

Council	Diocese	Council	Diocese
324	Chicago	7527	Rockford
11263	Joliet	7580	Peoria
13123	Rockford	7624	Rockford
13197	Belleville	8377	Chicago
537	Chicago	8713	Springfield
4535	Chicago	8973	Chicago
5034	Peoria	9770	Joliet
7072	Joliet	9893	Joliet
10926	Joliet	10025	Joliet
754	Peoria	10944	Joliet
891	Peoria	11027	Joliet
1555	Joliet	11091	Rockford
3738	Joliet	11232	Joliet
3755	Chicago	11358	Joliet
4483	Chicago	11398	Peoria
4688	Springfield	12302	Rockford
4836	Chicago	12497	Rockford
5574	Chicago	12801	Chicago
7247	Rockford	12882	Joliet

## State Ceremonials Director

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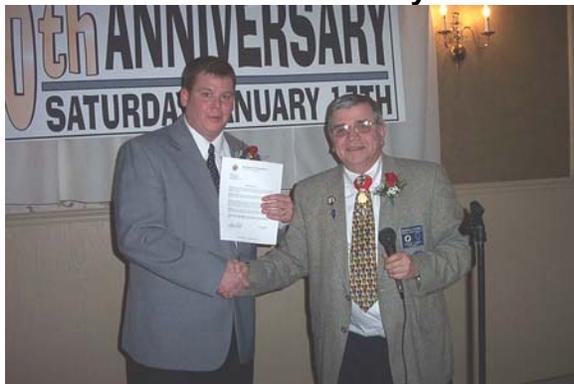
### Major Degree's

Date	Time	Location
04-25-04	12:00	Danville # 754
05-02-04	1:00	Plainfield # 5573
05-02-04	12:00	Decatur # 577
05-02-04	1:00	Carpentersville # 6248
05-02-04	12:30	Herrin # 2164
05-02-04	12:00	Milan # 12576
05-16-04	1:00	Oswego # 7247
06-13-04	1:00	Joliet # 4400
06-13-04	1:00	Glenview # 3731
06-13-04	12:00	Chatham # 4179
06-27-04	12:30	Warrenville # 6710
07-25-04	1:00	Lisle # 5918
08-08-04	12:00	Ottawa # 634

### 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification

Date	Location
10-16-04	Rockford
10-23-04	Decatur
2-19-05	Lisle

### Streator 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



State Deputy Logan Ludwig presents Grand Knight Joe Scarbeary with Council's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary certificate. The celebration was held on January 17, 2004 at the council home.

### Knights in Action

#### **Edwardsville Council # 1143**

Chris Williams, a member of Council 1143 and a patrol officer with the Edwardsville Police Department, received a Bronze Star for his work leading a Tactical Psychological Detachment in support of the First United Kingdom Armored Division in Iraq last year.

### **From the Desk of Supreme Knight Carl Anderson**

#### **Worthy State Deputy Ludwig,**

The Supreme Council will be bringing an authorized copy of the Divine Mercy image to Holy Name Cathedral on September 4-5, 2004. The painting will be displayed through out Masses on Saturday evening and Sunday, and his Eminence Francis Cardinal George will preside at a Divine Mercy Hour of Prayer at 3:00PM on Sunday. In particular, I hope that local Knights will focus on the Hour of Prayer for maximum participation and attendance.

#### **St. Mary's of Elizabeth # 10212**

Tyler's Justice Center for Children, serving families and children in Jo Daviess, Stephenson, and Carroll Counties received a generous donation from the Knights of Columbus of St. Mary's of Elizabeth.

Executive Director Tracy Binninger said "It's a wonderful donation that we weren't expecting. Every little bit does help and the donation will cover expenses like rent and utilities, in addition to many other supplies and necessities. We're very grateful."

### **Morris 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**



Pictured above is State Treasure Phil Barone presenting Grand Knight Jacob Kluch with the Council's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary certificate.

## Conservation and Forms Coordinator

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### 123rd Supreme Convention Cookbook

In August 2005, the Illinois Jurisdiction will host the 123<sup>rd</sup> Supreme Convention. We are very proud of our selection and look forward to showing our fellow brothers from across the United States and the World "Illinois Hospitality and Fraternalism." Every time that we host a Supreme Convention our brothers and their families look forward and ask when is Illinois holding another one.

A convention favorite has always been a commemorative cookbook. At past Supreme conventions, Illinois cookbooks have been especially sought after by convention visitors.

The 2005 cookbook will be titled, "THE TASTE OF ILLINOIS". It will showcase Illinois ethnic diversity with receipts representing the countries of our origins, as well those that are typically "Illinois home-cooking".

Start digging out Grand-Ma's, Great Grand Ma's, and even Great-Great Grand Ma's receipts.

More information about how to submit your favorite receipt will soon be sent to all Grand Knights.

Don Lajoie  
Cook Book Chairman

### Illinois K of C Charities, Inc. Recent Actions of the Board

- Extended MR/LD loan consideration period for ARCH of Rock Island
- \$5,000 donation to Cardinal Glennon Hospital
- \$2,500 donation to Mundelein Seminary "Evening of Tribute"
- \$3,900 to Chicago Rosary Fund
- Approved early payoff of Special Olympics pledge to Ursula & Darrel Beck Center
- \$5,500 donation to Special Camps
- \$5,000 support for Belleville Vocations Appreciation Dinner



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Name	Council	Years
Thomas Hellrung	460	14
Robert Prullage *	460	42
Albert Probst	665	50
Leo Reiss *	665	61
Howard Goellner	665	30
Ernest Braun	665	48
Albert Feuerborn	665	62
Edwin Kurland	1949	33
Stanley Kurtz	1949	48
John Schiedlka	1949	45
Ronald Jarrell	2869	21
Louis Rolves	2869	60
John Ozella	2869	46
Robert Kauling	2869	28
Fred Stephenson	3916	23
Herbert Nickel	4338	43
Virgil Gaines	4391	47
Richard Curtis	4688	20
Sterling Bosco *	4698	
Walter Laughlin * **	5025	14
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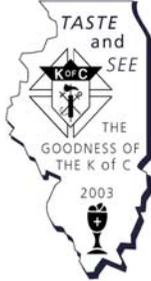
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