



ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL

Knights of Columbus



"What Works Team Work"

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STATE DEPUTY

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Brothers, The new fraternal year has begun on a positive note since the Illinois Jurisdiction has achieved Circle of Honor the second year in a row this last fraternal year. Thank you to IPSD Phil Barone and his team for getting the train on track, keeping it there and building a full head of steam.

Thank you for the confidence that you showed to me by electing me as your State Deputy. I will do everything in my power to make all of you proud in your choice and in your State. Pat and I look forward to working with you all and if you have a question or need help just give us a call.

We again have excelled in our Membership ending with an intake of 1818 new brother Knights for a total membership in Illinois of 71,986 members. After all deductions it resulted in a net intake of plus 235 members.

And for Charities we are the jurisdiction to compete with. The order recorded a record total of, are you ready for this, \$150,360,865.00. Illinois ended in Fourth Place with \$6,442,130.00, just behind Texas, and their total was \$6,625,974.00. We ended up behind Texas by \$184,731.00!! Now are we going to let Texas whip us by such a short margin again, NO, we are going to surpass them this year with the help of every brother Knight in Illinois. YES, we are!

The opportunity that has been afforded to us this year, to be the BEST OF THE BEST is 2900 new members. We can make the Circle of Honor with 2050 new members but why should we settle for the least when the larger number places us

among the BEST OF THE BEST in the Knights of Columbus. The Illinois Jurisdiction is the Best, the Best when times are tough, the Best when times are good, we are the BEST all the time, so this year let us be sure that we stand out from the rest.

My theme this year is: **WHAT WORKS – TEAM WORK** this is a statement not a question, we are a team, we are the BEST team and we can prove it by being the BEST OF THE BEST.

Please, assist your elected and selected State Officers carry Illinois to the top by reaching out a little bit further and ask a catholic man and his family to join us. But do not stop with one ask as many as you can and see that they enter the order and get involved from the start. Remember, if we pay attention to our members from the day they sign the form 100 we will not have to worry about retaining them later.

Ask for two more dollars when you collect for the Charities you serve. With the current condition of our state, in support of or the lack of support of the Social Services Agency's the money we collect and distribute can make a difference to the Agency's we support. Do your drive, go for big bucks, send in your monies and withdraw as soon as possible and maybe we can make a bigger difference to those we care about.

Support and speak about the Newman Program and ask your members to give what ever they can. Bishop Kaffer would say that "these young people are not the church of tomorrow but they ARE the Church of today". We must keep our Newman Centers in the State of Illinois alive and well, we must keep supporting our oldest and very first charity. Any donation, large or small is gratefully accepted and needed and do not forget you can put your donation on a credit card for your convenience.

Make sure that the “can” is available at every meeting to collect for the General Assistance Fund. Your brothers, neighbors, our Churches and others may need our help this year. When disaster strikes or something happens we will be ready and able to step forward and help, if, your council collects for and sends in the monies for the General Assistance Fund.

Be an active council in your community and at the Church. Go a little more beyond what you have done in the past and reach to be known as the doers in the community. Brag about what your council does, tell everyone you can and do not apologize for defending the family and those who can not defend themselves.

Become partners with your General Agent and Field Agent if you ask them they will respond and help to make you and your Council successful. You owe it to your family and your members families to keep an open relationship with your General Agent and Field Agent. The new annuity program is the best around and the only one giving the owners (the members) an excellent rate of return.

Brother Barone stocked the boiler on the engine and the engine is set with a full head of steam and it is now our turn to keep the boiler hot and the train rolling down the tracks to success in 2009 – 2010 fraternal year.

God bless!

ILLINOIS SQUIRES IN ACTION



Pictured are the Illinois State Squire Officers being sworn in at this years State Convention

ASSOCIATE STATE CHAPLAIN

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Dear Brother Knights and Families,

The old adage used to be “location, location, location” but the new maxim is “Opportunity, Opportunity, and Opportunity”. As we begin a new Fraternal Year with our new State Deputy “J” Bednar and his theme “What Works – Team Work” let examine just how the “Train of Opportunity” can take us for a ride to new heights.

The Opportunity of Membership

Someone will not become a Knight until they are asked! How many opportunities to ask someone to become a Knight are missed each day? Don’t miss the “train of opportunity” instead catch those prospects and get them on board.

The Opportunity of Programming

Scheduling is a key to successful programming – making sure you are on track – keeping the membership and their families busy with all the activities that will help to make the Council successful and grow. Don’t delay the “train of opportunity” rather stoke the engine with an on-time mentality.

The Opportunity of Charity

Routing our efforts and energies into ways that help others is at the very station of who we are. There are always needs to be met so don’t let any baggage weigh you down but let the “train of opportunity” help us to arrive with what will make a difference.

So get on board – the Knight Train; the Knight Train is waiting for you!

Father Chuck Tuttle

Associate State Chaplain

**Pray the Rosary
for Peace**

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION



Members and their families danced the night away at the Friday night party at the State Convention..

**Immediate Past State Deputy
Philip J Barone**

**BUILDING A BETTER WORLD THROUGH
TEAM WORK**

The New Fraternal Year has begun with a renewed sense of enthusiasm. Our New State Deputy Jim Bednar and his team of Officers and Directors have an enthusiastic approach and terrific motto **“WHAT WORKS - TEAM WORK”**

These are exciting times to be a Knight of Columbus in Illinois. As we look back on the last Fraternal Year we can find much to be grateful.

The Jurisdiction of Illinois is truly outstanding in the Areas of Charitable Activities and Council Programming. We are the envy of many throughout the Knights of Columbus. We have made some tremendous strides, in the last few years, in demonstrating that the Councils in Illinois can take that same expertise in Charities and Programming and make Membership the primary Programming Activity in ensuring that each council and the Order in general will have a bright future.

Last year’s results in Membership recruitment reflect that Illinois has again achieved Circle of Honor status. This is the Highest Honor that a State Council can attain. Illinois has achieved Circle of Honor status for the 3rd consecutive year and the 5th time in the last 6 years. An achievement that we ALL can be proud in Illinois.

There were 97 Councils that achieved 100% or better of membership goal. Hopefully most of these councils will achieve “Star Council Award”. There were 11 Districts with over 100% and hopefully will be recognized as “Star District”.

The Final Membership totals by Diocese are as follows:

	<u>NET Total</u>	<u>PCT</u>
Belleville	183	35%
Chicago	479	59%
Joliet	403	93%
Peoria	181	27%
Rockford	307	77%
Springfield	265	33%

NET Total 1,818, After Deaths/Transfers Out of State **Net/Net +235**

My Congratulations and Gratitude to the State Officers, Directors, Chairmen, Asst Chairmen, District Deputies, Grand Knights and Every Council Member and their Families for this terrific year and continuing to make Illinois and the Order of the Knights of Columbus Great!!!

At this year’s State Convention the following Brothers Knights were awarded the State Deputy’s Medallion for their outstanding work on behalf of the Church, Community and the Order:

- BISHOP J PETER SARTAIN - Joliet
- MICHAEL P CUMMINS – Itasca
- THOMAS J GAFFNEY - West Chicago
- GUSTAVE P KIMBAL - West Chicago
- RICHARD D P HARMS - Sparta
- LEONARD R SATKOWSKI - Oak Lawn
- SEAN W MORGAN - St Charles
- HOWARD K KINCH – Oswego
- STEPHEN A SITZBERGER – Mokena
- JOHN C CRIGLER – Mundelein

Please extend congratulations to these Brothers when you meet them.

NOW! Is the time to re-dedicate our efforts to making our councils and Illinois successful for this Fraternal Year. If your council was not very successful in the Membership Programs planned, then it is now time to take a different approach and plan another membership program. Help from your District Deputy and Diocesan Chairmen are readily available. You need only ask and help will be forthcoming. Membership is a continuous activity that requires the efforts of

ALL the members of the council, even if it is to simply provide a name of a Catholic Gentleman that can be a potential member.

We ALL have the resources to take advantage of our opportunities and achieve **SUCCESS**, making the Knights of Columbus in Illinois an Active, Strong, and Vibrant Fraternity that is second to none. Each of US must make that commitment to our councils that will add new members this fraternal year. The time is NOW and the person that is needed is YOU. With **TEAM WORK** the Knights of Columbus in Illinois will continue to be a Leader and the Bright Jewell of the Order.

Vivat Jesus, Phil Barone
Immediate Past State Deputy

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION

O'Fallon Council 4239 sponsored the tenth annual God's Special Children Golf Classic. The golf tournament raised approximately \$15,000 and in the past ten years the golf tournament has raised over \$120,000 for charities that support the mentally and physically handicapped .



Bishop Blanchette Assembly's Honor Guards pose with newly installed Officers.

STATE SECRETARY

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Not to be served, but to serve

Linda and I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for allowing us to serve as your state treasurer for the last two years. We always feel the love whenever we are with you as our extended family; and, our lives are all the better for it. Also, we are similarly appreciative of the opportunity to continue serving you, now as your state secretary. We

pledge to respect your confidence in allowing us to serve you by doing our very best in all that we do with and for you as leaders.

Our worthy state deputy and Brother, Jim Bednar, launched the beginning of a new fraternal year with a theme of **WHAT WORKS-TEAM WORK**; and, we intend to rally around this theme to put action to these words. There are so many challenges that face our Church, our Communities, our Families, and those who are less fortunate. It is imperative that we Knights work together as family to address all of those challenges. Our fellow officers have developed a strategic plan which will soon be shared with you on what direction our state council is headed to meet these challenges. One word will stand out as we proceed as a team; and, that word is **opportunity!**

As Knights of Columbus we share a common quality as Brothers in Faith that drives our actions: our leadership is built on the premise that we are *not leaders to be served*; and, rather, **we are leaders to serve**. From the fundamental position as council members of our home councils through to the state deputy of our jurisdiction, our focus is on service to Holy Mother Church and all that comes with Her—our seminarians and priests; our parishes and communities; our families and our very souls! Each one of these challenges poses an opportunity to work together for solutions to meet whatever challenges may come before us. There has neither been a better time, nor a more needed time to be a Knight of Columbus to practice our Faith than it is today! As we begin our new year, let's look to the opportunities that surround us as Catholic gentlemen to be the leaders that so many look up to us to be! I am proud to serve among you and look forward to working with you in our journey to becoming ever better Christians. Let's make our programs and charities make the world a better place to live in; and, let's grow our ranks through our good works of service and charity! I am confident that **team works** will indeed work to meet the challenges of today; and, I cannot think of a better group of men to work with than my fellow Brother Knights!

Vivat Jesus!

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION

*At the request of Maj. Jeff Camp, a three-time veteran of the war in the Middle East, **Queen of Angels Council 12154** in **St. John** collected school supplies for children in Afghanistan. Knights engaged the entire parish community to collect writing implements, notebooks and other supplies, as well as \$700 in cash donations.*



Gerry Bevigiani man's the Country store at the State Convention in Lombard. Also available was pamphlets, forms and displays from the various programs.

STATE TREASURER

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Brothers and the Illinois Knights of Columbus family, I would like to say a big thank-you to all of you. This past year serving you as your State Advocate has been rewarding, satisfying and quite a learning experience. As I performed the various duties of the State Advocate it is very apparent that our council's thru-out this great jurisdiction want to do things right according to the constitution and by-laws the first time. It is also equally pleasing of the fraternity that has been shared thru out our brotherhood. I would also like to thank the tremendous hospitality and love that has been shared with Diane and myself as we have traveled thru-out our fantastic state these past two years.

The new fraternal year is upon us and I will be traveling down a new path as your State Treasurer. I assure you that I will conduct the duties of the Treasurer with the same diligence and performing what is best for our order and jurisdiction as I have done as your State Advocate. There will be lessons to be learned but I view those as opportunities to grow in our order

much the same as you have many opportunities to grow in your councils.

We have enjoyed a great year and congratulations to Illinois and to our immediate Past State Deputy Phil Barone and his wife Alice for achieving Supremes Circle of Honor. Just as the Star Council is the highest award a council can obtain and the Star District is the highest award our Worthy District Deputies can obtain so is the Circle of Honor from Supreme to the jurisdictions of our order.

Congratulations are also in order to our new Worthy State Deputy James Bednar and his wife Pat. "J" has a fantastic plan in order for the Illinois Jurisdiction to continue the success we have been obtaining in years past. Our Worthy State Deputy's theme this year of "**WHAT WORKS-TEAM WORK**" says it all. The Illinois councils and brotherhood, working together as a team does work. We will have many opportunities to work as a team to strengthen our councils. With the many programs and events our councils provide why wouldn't a fellow Catholic man and his family want to enjoy the Knightlife our order provides? So go out and invite our fellow Catholic families the opportunity to enjoy our Knightlife. Remember "**WHAT WORKS-TEAM WORK**" will enable our councils to become Star Councils, Our Worthy District Deputies to receive the Star District plaques and the State Council to obtain the Circle of Honor but most important of all our faith will grow and we all will become closer to God and each other.

God Bless to all and Vivat Jesus

STATE ADVOCATE

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Here I am back in the newsletter again this year, only in a new capacity. I'm so honored and excited to be your Illinois State Advocate. Please indulge me if you already know the following; my wife Theresa and I have been married 36 years this July. We have two grown sons, who are firefighters, and too are 3rd and 4th degree Knights. Hopefully many of you met them and our future daughter-in-law at the Convention. We have two Grand dogs Ernie and Cami who benefit from the many steak bones from Knights

of Columbus banquets. They've even been known to eat a leftover baked potato.

I have been a 3rd degree member for 41 years and a 4th degree member for 33 years. I served on the State Team many years ago on my first round after which job demands required me to take a sabbatical from the Knights of Columbus. Since my retirement 7 years ago, I once again got back involved with the Knights of Columbus. What I missed in those "off years" has certainly come back a hundred fold. We have had a wonderful comeback, seeing so many friends and making many new ones. People we knew as acquaintances previously have now become friends. The entire experience makes Theresa and I very grateful. We once again look forward to visiting each of your dioceses. We have had such a great time at the events we were invited to, that we hope we're asked again to attend. The Polka Masses, the dinners, the breakfasts, exemplifications, ladies luncheons and those times we got to sit, visit and get to know everyone is something we have truly enjoyed. You all truly are such welcoming and a great group of people to be with!!! (One complaint--please take those calories out of the plentiful meals) I look forward to a productive, successful and fun year with everyone's help. Those three things, productivity, successfulness and having fun, are the things that make us proud to say we are members of the Knights of Columbus.

The Illinois Knights slogan for 2009-2011 is; "WHAT WORKS, TEAM WORK" Webster defines; team/work./ n. joint action by a group of people. I know we have a GREAT "joint action" by a GREAT group of people, so let's surpass Webster's definition.

I look forward to working with each and every one of you, remember I'm available to you by phone (815-790-9737) or email bdoerfler@sbcglobal.net should you ever want to contact me. Theresa and I look forward to seeing each of you when we can. Thank you for electing me as your State Advocate. I'll work as hard as I can to represent you, as an Illinois Knight of Columbus.

Fraternally
Bill

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION



In honor of Flag Day, June 14th the Marquette Assembly and the Oswego Council # 7247 provided an opportunity to retire 141 old and tattered flags. at the KC Oswego. Knights in full regalia provided the honor guard and sword salute as the scouts presented the flags, by one for destruction by fire. In addition Aso pictured are Troops 7247 & 63; Cub Packs 384 & 336; Girl Scout Brownie Troop 654 and Girl Scout (Daisy) Troop 112

Bishop Raymond P. Hillinger Assembly in North Cook County provided an honor guard for the Memorial Day field Mass at Mary Hill Cemetery and for a flag retirement ceremony in Glenview on Flag Day, June 14.

STATE WARDEN

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As we start a new fraternal year, I want to thank you all for electing me as your new State Warden. I know that you expect me to faithfully represent you as one of the five elected state officers. I will remember that all year and act as I believe you would want me to.

Our State Deputy, Jim Bednar, has chosen the theme of "WHAT WORKS – TEAM WORK" for this fraternal year. On the state level, we will be working hard to emphasize the need of team work as we go about fulfilling our responsibilities. We all need to get this year off to a fast start and continue the impetus that we have from the very busy final months of the last fraternal year. You should also be emphasizing this need for team work in your Councils. That is, after all, where the rubber meets the road. You will accomplish much more if you start off with all your officers on board and working together.

Summer has finally arrived. There are at least two things you should be thinking about. It is time for family activities. Kids are home from

school all day now. You should be taking advantage of this with picnics & outdoor sports activities, both as a family & as a Council. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

The second thing is planning. This is when you need to set down with your Council officers and work out what you want to accomplish between now & next June 30. Work on your program activities. Decide what you want to accomplish in the Illinois Spirit program. Plot out how you will achieve the results you want to in your Charities programs. Look at the opportunities you have to increase the membership of your Councils. In fact, think of how you can use your Program & Charity activities to add members to your Councils. Remember, Program & Charity are the engines of the Knights of Columbus, but membership is the fuel. Rev up that engine & get ready to pull away from the station. It is going to be a great year, but you have to start now!

Vivat Jesus,
Ken Mendel

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION



*State Deputy Philip Barone presents a certificate of appreciation to St. Isadore **Council 8522** for 25 years of service to the Knights of Columbus. Pictured are GK Tom Murray, PSD Don Lively and DD Paul Warda*

STATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

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Brothers,
Welcome to the 2009-2010 year in the land of the "Big Train Ride" with Engineer Jim Bednar and where the number one phrase is "**WHAT WORKS – TEAM WORK**". He has through the

various chairmen and fellow State Officers started to build his train and is making it large enough to carry all, who are working to get it rolling on the new tracks.

One of the elements of a railroad are the rails, ties and the rail bed, which could be rock or asphalt and all of these are known as the tracks and the tracks go everywhere possible, just like the Programs of the Order do. We have programs for Youth, Church, Council, Community and Family and these when put to work give us the exposure that is needed to get the new members, who will work to drive the train and make our charities produce as they should and make everyone more aware of the Knights of Columbus in Illinois.

So, to get the train moving and keep it going! Everyone must bring the programs to life and make Engineer Jim happy that he is at the controls of a train is moving on the smooth tracks that were provided the various council programs.

All Aboard for Programming,

Gary Schmidt

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

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Fifty-three years ago, my father joined the Knights of Columbus. As I was growing up, there was always the Knights of Columbus, so many families working together- ML/RD, fish fries, and summer fests. It didn't matter the cause, if a Brother Knight was in need, the Council held a fundraiser. If a charitable organization had wants and needs, the Knights of Columbus was always ready to lend a hand. Dad is now eighty years old and, at the last Council cookout, there he was with his big apron on, a spatula in one hand and a Pepsi in the other, taking his turn at the grill, flipping burgers and turning dogs.

As this year unfolds, I am looking forward to traveling around the State with my wife Laurie and meeting as many Brother Knights and their families as possible. There are more than 72,000 Brother Knights in the State of Illinois. What a team we make! I would like to take this opportunity to ask you to share this great

organization with a father, son, brother, or friend. Just ask him! As our State Deputy likes to say, the train is coming down the tracks and its gaining speed. When the conductor yells "All Aboard", let's make sure every Catholic gentleman has a ticket.

This is going to be a great year! Together, we will make membership, programming, and charitable activities the foundation on which we will build success. Together, we can turn any challenge into an opportunity; an opportunity to grow, an opportunity to better serve our priests and our Church, and an opportunity to better serve our community. Let us remember four words, four words that will guarantee success- **WHAT WORKS- TEAM WORK.**

Vivat Jesus,
Steve

WE NEED YOUR HELP

We have just finished a very good year in establishing new councils and reactivating suspended councils. Two more new councils came on board in June, one in the Rockford Diocese, and on the last day of June, one in the Chicago Diocese.

We are off to a great start this new Fraternal Year with a new council in the Rockford Diocese that will be established in late July as well as other councils that will soon becoming on board.

We have set a lofty goal for the year and we need the help of every Knight, Grand Knight and District Deputy to make this happen. New councils are a key component to successful membership and the success of the Illinois Knights of Columbus

Does your parish have a council? Would you like to start a council in your parish or a neighboring parish? Look at your area and if there is not a council in a parish and you think there is a need for one contact your District Deputy and the New Council Development team. We are here to help you get it started.

NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT HOT LINE
630-853-7314 **Jim Russell**

STATE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR

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I'm grateful for the **opportunity** to serve my Brother Knights in Illinois as your Charitable Activities Director this fraternal year. I highlighted the word **opportunity** because all our charitable activities throughout the year give the **opportunity** to not only raise money for those in need, but also to grow membership.

The definition of the word **opportunity** is: *a favorable juncture of circumstances.* The visibility we create with the MR/LD Fund Drive, Special Olympics Participation, Newman Campus Donations, Vocations Support Programs, and Pro-Life Fund is that *favorable juncture of circumstances* we need to take advantage of by asking Catholic Men to join the Knights of Columbus. We all need to carry that form 100 for those **opportunities.**

Illinois has the ability to be #1 in the Order in Charitable Donations and I ask all 72,000 Brother Knights in Illinois to join the Charities Team and support our five main Charitable Activities; MR/LD Fund Drive, Newman, General Assistance Fund, Vocation Fund Drive, and Pro-Life Fund in order to make that a reality. State Deputy Jim Bednar chose the theme of **What Works – Team Work** showing nothing is impossible if we work together.

Vivat Jesus!

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION



A special 1st Degree was held at the convention and PSD Paul Havrilka's son Joseph was one of the candidates

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION

The Oswego Council # 7247 had a busy April: They sponsored their first Steak Fry. This event sold out twenty minutes before closing. They Held a Texas Holden Poker Tournament., also family and friends hit the streets for the annual Misericordia Mercy Homes candy drive.- several thousand dollars were raised for this good cause. The last was our annual golf outing event raises dollars for various Scholarship Funds and the council was again able to sponsor a community blood drive. 57 units of blood were donated by the good people of Oswego

ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL OFFICE

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We congratulate all the newly elected officers and look forward to working with you!

Council's election of officers should have been completed by now. If you haven't submitted your "**Report of Chosen Officers**" Form 185, (Form 186 for Assemblies), to both Supreme and the State Council, please do so. This form is on the Supreme Web Site at www.kofc.org and can be completed by selecting the "online" version. Input the data requested, but NOTE: Before you click "Submit" at the bottom of the form insert our email address (illinoiskc@illinoisknights.org) on the line which is entitled "State Deputy" (State Council), insert your email and the email address for your District Deputy on the lines indicated and THEN click "Submit". **NOTE; If your screen is not maximized, the 3 lines will not be visible**

Your council "**Report of Program Personnel**" Form 365 identifies those brothers chosen by the Grand Knight to chair the various Program Activities for the Fraternal Year. This form is also available on the Supreme Web Site. Follow the same procedures with this form as you would the Form 185.

The MR/LD packets have been mailed to either the MR Chairman or the Grand Knight of record. In the packet, is your Tootsie Roll order form. **Remember to I mail the pink copy of this form to the State Office, not doing this will put your funds "on Hold" until a copy is received.** The solicitation permit for Chicago and the Governor's proclamation, have not yet been received but

upon receipt we will send to all the MR Chairmen or Grand Knights. If you haven't received your packet, please call the State Office. These packets were mailed out via first class mail.

With the increase in postage we are trying to use electronic mail whenever we can. The difficulty with this however, is that we have not been getting updates when email addresses are changed. **Please**, if you have submitted an email address and it changes through the year, **PLEASE** notify the State Council office of your email change. We want to keep you informed but without up to date information we are defeated. Give your mailman a break and use email to communicate!

The 2009-2010 State Per Capita bills are being prepared and mailed. Remember you can pay your per capita in two installments: July and then again in January.

The bills for the General Liability policy will be sent out as soon as they are completed. If you have not participated in the program in the past, you can obtain a quotation by calling the State Office. We can also send over the list of the activities included in our coverage-there are only a handful of exclusions, and you could say - with this program the "*Price is Right*".

As always, if you have questions please do not hesitate to call us at the State Office M-F 8AM - 4PM or if after hours, leave us a message OR send us an email.

We try to put all forms, flyers, program and membership information on the website and strive to keep them as current as possible. If you should see an old worn out form or an old report on the website, please call the State Office and we will send an updated version.



STATE PUBLIC RELATIONS DIR. /

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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Did you ever notice that the last page in the newsletter, other than the mailing page, is the in memorium page. It's the page that none of us want to see our name on, but there is no getting

around it one day we will be on it. This last Fraternal year we lost two giants, The first is **PSD Paul Havrilka Jr.** who was a giant of a man both in stature and Heart. I had the honor of serving on the board with Paul for three straight years. He and his wife Judy where a joy to be with. When Judy was with Paul there was always a smile on his face. Of course there were times at board meetings we wish Judy was there. Being State Deputy is not always easy. I'll miss those discussions with Paul. He surely will be missed.

The second Giant was our own **Bishop Roger L. Kaffer.** A Man of God who always had a song in his heart. I'll miss his clever song writing and sing alongs. I'll miss his presence because when he was in a room he brought God with him and you could feel it. Bishop Kaffer always spoke about his love for the Knights of Columbus. He would tell us how, when he would meet the Pope, he would give him the greetings from the 72,000 Knight of Illinois. I'm sure now in the presence of God he is doing the same thing.

WHAT WORKS, TEAM WORK. These Giants knew the meaning of Team Work. They new it worked. *May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed Rest in Peace. Amen*

CONGRATULATIONS

John Morales has been awarded ILLINOIS AGENT OF THE MONTH for the month of May! John is a Field Agent in the Ken Niedzwiedz Agency. John serves councils 1268 – Lake Forest, 3731 –Glenview, 4238 –Deerfield, 7331-Techny, 13747-Melrose Park, 14069-Addison, 14585-Prospect Hts, 14624.

John led all 60 agents in the state of Illinois in May for the second month in a row! The next time you see John please congratulate him at a job well done helping to fulfill Father McGivney's vision of protecting Catholic families from the wolf of poverty due to the death of the breadwinner.

2009 Illinois State Convention Photos





IN MEMORIUM

Council #	NAME	Years of Service	Office Held
460	ALBERT J. BECHTOLD	31	
282	RAYMOND G CORA	23	
5081	ROBERT E DEANY	42	
2944	EARL D. GROSS, JR."	46	
665	JOSEPH J. HETTERMANN	18	
658	LAWRENCE E. HUMBERSTONE	13	
282	EDWARD B MARKS	20	
658	JOHN F. MUSICK	41	
12014	RICHARD RILEY	?	P.G.K.
6165	VERNON V. SCHNEIDER	40	
1098	VINCENT SCRUM	5	
1098	MICHAEL TAPP	22	
4688	JOHN VERBAIS	7	
658	RICHARD J. VINCENT	16	

MAY THEIR SOULS AND ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED REST IN PEACE. AMEN.



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Lots of helpful information.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Have you been receiving your mail from us? Have you moved? If you have a change of address, please complete the following form and return it to the State Office: PO Box 681, Kankakee, IL 60901-0681

NOTIFY your Financial Secretary to complete a Form 100 for Supreme.

OLD ADDRESS		NEW ADDRESS	
Street Address:		Street Address:	
PO BOX Address		PO BOX Address	
City State, ZIP		City State, ZIP	
Phone #	Bus #	Phone #	Bus #
FAX #	E-mail	FAX#	E-mail