



ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL
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The 2013-2014 Illinois State Council Family



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Brother Knights, ladies and all,

"One is the number, the only number". As I was growing up that was the title to a very popular Three Dog Nights song. With our Illinois Knights of Columbus, One is the only number. We are One Faith, One Order and One family. Our goals for this year is One member per council per month, One program per council per month, One first degree per council or per District per month, One charitable activity per month, One Star Council per District and One New Council per diocese this year.

Working with the mindset of One, in time our Membership will see growth each month, Programming each month and Charitable activities each month is the formula for a successful year. Each programming activity is an opportunity for membership growth as well as membership retention. Each Charitable activity is an opportunity for membership growth as well as membership retention, so **ONE** is the number we should be striving for each month.

I am writing this after returning from the 131st Supreme Convention and I could not be more proud of our order and our Illinois Knights of Columbus family. The theme that I have selected for this year, Passion-Pride-Performance could not be more evident and displayed at the just completed convention. The Passion that each of us have for our Faith is very apparent at each Mass. When our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson presented his annual report to those in attendance, you could see the Pride in each brother Knight and his family's expressions due to the accomplishments that our order has obtained. It was reflected by the record numbers in: Charitable hours, dollars and the strength of our Insurance program during tough economic times and our membership performance all announced during the awards session. I want to thank you, our membership, for allowing myself and Diane to be able to walk across the stage with Immediate Past State Deputy Rich and Linda Spada, with NCD Director and Past Grand Knight of Naperville council # 1369 Eddie Collins as he accepted the International Award for the Culture of Life activities for the Celebrate Life mass and dinner that Naperville council hosted. The proceeds from that dinner supported the Waterleaf Women's center who was recipients of an ultra sound machine purchased thru the Order's Ultrasound Initiative and the Father Michael J. McGivney Center for hope and healing.

Congratulations to our Immediate Past State Deputy Rich Spada for his recognition as achieving 117% of the New Council goal and being recognized for his years of service by receiving his *Past* State Deputy title. Way to go Rich and Linda, you truly deserve it. And speaking of go it is time to end this article. One Member Per Council Per Month, One Star Council Per District, One New Council Per Diocese Per year and One First Degree Per District Per month and be done with Programming and Charities at its side.

God Bless to each of you and God Bless our Illinois Knights of Columbus,

Skip

STATE ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN Rev Chuck Tuttle

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

The 2013 131st Supreme Convention in San Antonio in now history and all who attended have made their way back to their respective destinations renewed and invigorated with the desire to make this coming fraternal year fruitful and rewarding. Our State Deputy Skip Kinyon's motto for this year: *"Passion – Pride – Performance"* challenges us to light a fire that will burn within us (passion), creating a sense of accomplishment (pride) because we are achieving something special (performance) that other people can admire. What we achieve as Knights of Columbus is only limited by our passion to do it. And the Knights are truly passionate about the work of building up God's Kingdom among us and promoting the Gospel of Life and defending the Natural Law of God.

We can truly take pride in the work of the Order and should continually strive to live the Gospel.

Vivat Jesu

Rev. Chuck Tuttle



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Brothers in the last few months I have been asked if council's officers were bonded. I hope this will help explain the bonding of council officers:

Section 130 of the Laws of the Knights of Columbus provides that Treasurers and Financial Secretaries may not take office, be installed, or receive any money or property of a Council until they have given a satisfactory bond approved by the Board of Directors. This provision also applies to State Secretaries and State Treasurers, and to Faithful Pursers and Faithful Comptrollers of Assemblies. This bonding is for the office holder and not for the officer as an individual. The purpose of this requirement is to protect the council or assembly against losses resulting from misconduct by these officers.

In order to facilitate this requirement, the Board of Directors provides, at no cost to councils and assemblies, an Officer Bonding Program for the following officers and amounts:

Financial Secretary	\$5,000
Treasurer	\$5,000
Faithful Comptroller	\$5,000
Faithful Purser	\$5,000
Master of the Fourth Degree	\$10,000
State Secretary	\$20,000
State Treasurer	\$20,000

Coverage under the Officer Bonding Program is limited to losses arising from the embezzlement or misappropriation of funds by one of the officers identified above, and does not cover claims for any other lost or stolen property. The Officer Bonding Program does not cover losses arising from the misuse of **debit or credit cards issued in the name of a council or assembly**. These methods of payment are inconsistent with best financial practices and, in effect, circumvent the system of financial checks and balances established in the Laws of the Order.

Additional Coverage

A Council or Assembly may purchase additional coverage by submitting a written request to the Office of the Supreme Secretary at the address below. The cost is \$7 per \$1,000 of additional coverage, up to a maximum of \$125,000 for each listed officer, except for the Master of the Fourth Degree, whose bond is capped at \$10,000. (See Section 17(d) of the Laws of the Fourth Degree). When a Council or Assembly purchases additional insurance, the premium amount will be posted on an annual basis to the Supreme Council Monthly Billing Statement, generally in the month of March.

Eligibility

Coverage under the Officer Bonding Program is only available to State Councils, Local Councils, and Assemblies that have completed and submitted their two most recent Semi-Annual audits to the Council Accounts Department at the Supreme Office.

I hope this help you understand the bonding of council officers.

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 need to contact me. Terry and I look forward to seeing each of you when we can. Thanks you for the honor of electing me as your State Secretary. I'll work as hard as I can to represent you, as an Illinois Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus,

Bill

STATE TREASURER Ted Stites tstiteskc@charter.net

We are almost two full months into the new fraternal year and despite the impression that things slow down in the summer, our councils should be very busy. In addition to the usual first of the year report forms due to Supreme, the semi-annual audit (for the period ending June 30) is also due. By the time you receive this newsletter, your audit should have been sent to the Supreme Council and a copy sent to the State Deputy. Contrary to popular belief, the Financial Secretary and Treasurer do not conduct the audit. The Grand Knight and Trustees are the officers responsible for conducting the audit. The Financial Secretary and the Treasurer should be available to provide records and answer questions. This is one of the most important tasks your council performs to ensure the financial health of the council. It is imperative the Grand Knight and Trustees take this responsibility seriously. They are the ones that sign the audit and vouch for the accuracy of the information on it. If your council has not yet completed your audit, make sure it is done as soon as possible.

Soon the ID Drive will be conducted and your monies sent in. I wish you all the best of luck for a successful drive. Of course after the funds are sent in, the requests for checks to distribute to your worthy causes begin to arrive in the state office. Please know that Denny, Donna, and Vicki work very hard on your behalf to ensure you receive all types of information and resources throughout the year. Requests for checks tend to get very heavy in the months following the ID Drive. Every effort is made to process these requests as soon as possible. But sometimes the office can get swamped with all of the requests, in addition to the other responsibilities. To ensure you receive your checks in a timely manner, please provide as much lead time as possible. Don't expect to send a request on Monday and receive a check on Friday. It can take several weeks depending on the current workload. Remember that in lieu of the official check, you can present a ceremonial "mock" check to a worthy recipient for the purposes of a photo op and press release.

Finally, as this is my first newsletter as your new State Treasurer, I again thank you for the confidence you have placed in me. I promise to perform my duties to the best of my ability and hope that I live up to your expectations. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Vivat Jesus!

Ted



STATE ADVOCATE Frank Schwartz

The use of the Name and Emblem of the Order

Recently there have been many questions as to the use of the Name and Emblem of the order and who can use it. All persons, Councils, Chapters, Assembly's and Home Corporation must have written permission to use the name or emblem of the order. You can find the procedure to obtain permission below as well as the March 2012 ruling from the Board.

Improper use of the of the Name or Emblem of the Order could cause members the loss of the membership, and or councils and or home associations to endure disciplinary actions by the Supreme Board. So please take time to review how and where you Council or its members may be using the name and Emblem of the Order today and make sure to follow Section 162.11 of the Constitutional Laws and Rules of the order.

It shall be a violation of Section 162.11 of the Laws of the Order for any member, acting individually or through any state council, subordinate council, assembly, chapter, home corporation, or affiliated entity, to use the Order's name, emblems, or membership lists, or any Knights of Columbus facility under his or its control, for the purpose of promoting, endorsing, selling, or advertising any product, service, or business or social enterprise other than the Order's insurance program. This prohibition extends to all publications, websites, mailings, electronic communications and social networks, contracts, promotional items, and sponsorships associated with a Knights of Columbus state council, subordinate council, assembly, chapter, home corporation, or individual Knight. This prohibition shall not impair the ability of any Knights of Columbus state council, subordinate council, assembly, or chapter to (1) use the Order's name, emblems, or membership lists, or any Knights of Columbus facility to conduct ordinary fraternal, charitable, and fund-raising activities, or (2) publish advertisements in a fraternal publication such as a council bulletin or a convention or event book, provided that the product, service, or enterprise being advertised does not relate directly or indirectly to any non-Knights of Columbus insurance product or annuity.

This rule does not supersede any other rules, motions, and resolutions requiring the prior approval of the Board of Directors for the use of the Order's name or emblems. If a member wishes to use the Knights of Columbus name, emblems, or any membership list in connection with any business or social or other enterprise that is not part of the ordinary business of the Order, he should contact the Office of the Supreme Secretary, through his State Deputy, for prior approval.

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Requests For Use Of Name and Emblem



If a council wishes to use the trademarked name and/or emblem of the Knights of Columbus in connection with any business or social or other enterprise that does not constitute "Ordinary Fraternal Use," it must first obtain authorization from the Office of the Supreme Secretary. "Ordinary Fraternal Use" means use of the marks of the Knights of Columbus by a subordinate unit to: promote recognition of the Order; aid charitable, fund raising, and civic activity; further the fraternal bond among members; and build goodwill in the local community. If a proposed use does not constitute "Ordinary Fraternal Use," the procedure for obtaining authorization is as follows:

1. The **Grand Knight** submits a written request to his **State Deputy**, including all relevant details relating to the proposed use of the name and emblem;
2. The **State Deputy** reviews the written request and decides whether or not to endorse the proposed use. If the **State Deputy** endorses the proposed use, the **State Deputy** then forwards the Grand Knight's request to the Office of the Supreme Secretary, along with his own written statement of endorsement, via email to nameandembleminquiries@kofc.org ; and
3. The **Supreme Secretary** then considers the request in consultation with the **Name and Emblem Committee**, which then notifies the **State Deputy** and the **Grand Knight** by email whether the proposed use is authorized.

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Remember to Use the Officer Desk Top Reference found on the Supreme when you have a question on just about any topic, it could save you time and help you be more Fraternal.

Frank J. Schwartz Jr

STATE WARDEN Ray Biliskov

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For my first article I would like to say thank you Knights of Illinois for electing me your State Warden for the coming year. I wish to give a special thanks to my very good friends, Former State Wardens who encouraged me to take on the responsibilities of your State Warden. I am looking forward to serving you and the State Council in the coming year.

I would like to start with a saying what you have heard many times over; Building a better world one council at a time. Not only must we build one council at a time but we must start with recruiting one member at a time " One member per council per month". In order for a council to survive it must recruit new members on a regular basis. Recruiting is an ongoing process, we must not stop recruiting, if we do then all of what we and our predecessors have done will have been done in vain. Do not loose your council do to lack of new members, there are many Catholic Men out there all you have to do is **ASK THEM** , and they will join. Much of this you have heard in the past but we cannot stress hard enough a growing council is a strong council.

All you Grand Knights who just been installed into office this fraternal year are the new leaders of your councils, in order to have a successful council you with your council officers should have a plan to keep your members interested in council, Church, and community activities. Work closely with your District Deputy, ask him what other councils in your District are Perhaps you can get some ideas that will make your council a success. Again my Brother Knights " All You Have To Do Is Ask"

Together as a team, for the good of the order lets all work together. As long as we can have Star Councils and Star Districts, lets make our State a Star State, by having a positive membership growth.

Vivat Jesus

Ray Biliskov

IMMEDIATE PAST STATE DEPUTY Richard C. Spada

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These Men They Call Knights and By Their Deeds!

Vivat Jesus! I am proud to be a Knight of Columbus; and, I am even more proud to be a Knight of Columbus from Illinois! We all surely remember that little booklet *These Men They Call Knights* that was given to us when we experienced the lesson of charity exemplified in the admission degree. In our journey as members of the Knights of Columbus, we learn that Knights do many things and help many people; all of which makes us better Catholics. As active members of the Knights of Columbus we give witness to living our Faith; and, we are men and families of action, rather than just words! Living our Faith also helps to make us better husbands, fathers and community participants or leaders. This way of life models the way for all good Catholics to follow; and, the Knights of Columbus provides many means of nurturing this way of life! There is great excitement in our Church following the election of Pope Francis, who emphasizes and encourages all Catholics to seek the truth through the gospels and to then live that truth in our daily lives. He encourages us to break free from the secular emphasis that tends to focus on the material and self; and, then embrace the lessons that Jesus taught us through the gospels. More importantly, Pope Francis shows us by his example that this way of life is very much alive and remains a part of our culture albeit withheld from media attention. These are great times to be Catholic and These Men They Call Knights are leading the way to embrace the message that our Holy Father is sending throughout the world. It is seeking the truth through the gospels and giving witness through our deeds that fits so well with the vision and mission of the Knights of Columbus! Wouldn't we want to give this gift of membership to everyone not yet a member?

Vivat Jesus!

Rich Spada

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR Erik Luckett

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Brothers:

It's all about *"The Power Of One."* Our founder, The Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney is a perfect example of how *One* concerned and dedicated individual can truly make a difference! What began from that *One* holy and dedicated Priest, Father Michael McGivney, has grown, over the past 130+ years, to become "the strong right arm of the church." The Illinois jurisdiction is 73,200 strong and growing! As we grow our ranks, our voice becomes stronger; we continue to grow as an agent for good working for the new Evangelization. We must continue to be that strong voice promoting the Gospel values in our ever more secular society and standing strong defending religious freedoms!

How do we grow the order? It really is very simple. We use *"The Power Of One"* in many ways:

ONE MEMBER - PER COUNCIL - PER MONTH

ONE FIRST DEGREE - PER DISTRICT - PER MONTH



Pictured is Grand Knight Tom Tritsch Troy Council #9266 receiving his Rising Star lapel pin from District 77 District Deputy Joe Willis.

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ONE NEW COUNCIL - PER DIOCESE

ONE STAR COUNCIL - PER DISTRICT
ONE NEW MEMBER - IN EVERY COUNCIL

In order to accomplish our goals, we need to do several things:

- The first quarter of this fraternal year we have put out the "Officers Challenge". Every Officer from every Council is "Challenged" with bringing in **One** new member during the first three (3) months. District Deputies, State Officers, ALL have this same challenge ahead of them. As leaders of our Councils, Districts, and State, we have an obligation to set the example and bring in a new member.
- During the first quarter, promote family friendly activities and work on getting the entire family to join in with the Knights. Be sure to recruit all our college students who are home for the summer and plan an active presence in the back-to-school programs at your Parish schools to recruit those catholic dads!
- Utilize a one-on-one meeting with your District Deputy to come up with ideas that will work to help your Council grow. Meet with your Pastor and find out what the Knights can do for him and the Parish. Enlist his help to promote the Council and encourage other parishioners to join.
- Plan and organize you Council's Membership Plan. If you put together a plan that incorporates recruitment efforts into your Programming and Charitable Opportunities, you **WILL** be successful. Use your new fraternal year planner to plan ahead and be prepared to grow your Council.

Every Council needs a plan so they can utilize the many tools that are available to their best advantage. Programs, Membership, and Charities fit together like gears in a transmission. Once they are synchronized, your Council drives forward on the path to **Star Council!**

Pay attention to your membership! Help those in need and raise up those that have fallen away. Open your arms wide to the new recruits and their families, who bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm to your Councils. Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation are cornerstones in the foundation of a successful Council. Shore up your foundation today so you can soar to new heights!

Vivat Jesus,

Erik Lockett

STATE CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES Jeff Peters

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Brother Knights,

Welcome to fraternal year 2013-2014! We have a great set of leaders in our State Deputy & State Council; so this promises to be a GREAT year! Passion-Pride-Performance. Three words, but three words that carry so much meaning; especially when applied to our charitable activities. As a Council, do you have the Passion to carry out our First Principle of the Order, Charity; and help our fellow man? As a Council, do you have the PRIDE to get involved and do what is right? And, as a Council, will we show by our PERFORMANCE the Passion & Pride to meet and even exceed our charitable goals? I believe that you do and will. I believe by following the direction of these three words, we can do great things in regards to our Charitable Activities.

I would like to thank all of the Council's and Brother Knights for all of your efforts last year in raising charitable monies. Times are tough, but as Knights you found a way to make it happen. It doesn't get any easier this year. Economic times are still lean, but I believe that the Grand Knights, Officers & Chairmen of the Council's will find new ways to raise charitable monies and once again meet our charitable goals; and even grow them. So in advance, I thank all of you for the Passion-Pride-Performance that you are set to put into action this fraternal year.

As always, the key to a successful year, whether it is Membership, Programming or Charitable Activities, is Planning, Planning & Planning. PLAN to succeed. Don't wait until the last minute to plan your charitable event. Plan ahead and it will be a success. There are many tools on the State Charities website <http://www.illinoisknights.org/mary/charity/charity.php>

(guidelines, forms & activities) to help you; and all of the Chairmen are ready to serve and help you in any way they are able. Please make use of their talents.

The annual *Intellectual Disabilities Drive is just around the corner on September 20-22nd*. Hopefully, everyone attended one of the many ID Kick-Off meetings that Co-chairmen Ted Glaser & Ed Feeney conducted during the months of July & August. Candy orders should soon be arriving, sites secured and volunteers lined up and ready to go. In a show of UNITY & FRATERNITY, KofC Council's all around the great jurisdiction of Illinois will be collecting donations to help God's Special People. In these tough times, many organizations, like Special Olympics, appreciate the charity of the Knights of Columbus. Not only does the ID Drive help those with Intellectual Disabilities, but it does so much more. In a quiet way, the ID Drive helps to promote Council Unity & Fraternity. The ID Drive is a great way to promote membership in the Knights of Columbus too. Invite members of the Parish to get involved and help. If there is a gentleman you have been trying to recruit, ask him to help. He will have a great time and will walk away with a great feeling. Don't forget to get your family involved too. What better way to spend some family time together and teach our own children about Charity.

The kids are back in school; and many of them are away at college. The **Newman Fund** mailer (donor letter & card) will be sent out in the second half of September, so be looking for yours in the mail. If you are a Newman donor, please continue; and thank you. If you are not, please consider making a donation. Any amount is appreciated. If possible, please consider becoming a Newman Century Donor. We need to continue to support and maintain a Catholic presence at our colleges & universities, especially in today's secular society. Please help provide a "Home Parish" away from home for our young adults. The Newman Centers rely on your support.

The **Vocations Raffle** is underway. Books should have been ordered by all of the Council's and picked up at the State Convention or mailed to the Council's. However, if your Council did not order raffle books, there is still time. Contact the State Office or Vocations Support Chairmen and let them know that you need raffle books. Remember, this fundraiser is a Win-Win opportunity. The Council earns money on books sold, and the monies raised go to help support our Seminarians, our future Priests. Without your support of their chosen Vocation, we may one day find ourselves without Priest's to administer the Sacraments to us. As a suggestion, the monies that a Council earns from the proceeds of their sales can be further used to participate in the Supreme RSVP program. A Win-Win-Win. Additionally, Keep Christ in Christmas buttons are on sale now. There are a limited number of last year's buttons for sale too, but on a first come, first serve basis. As mentioned earlier, PLAN to succeed. The KCIC buttons are a great way to remind people of the true meaning of Christmas.

Please remember to keep "Passing the Can" at every meeting and send in your General Assistance monies. We never know when the next disaster will occur; but, as Knights of Columbus we want to be prepared and ready to assist those in need.

Finally, our **Pro-Life Fund** is in need of your support and help. With October being Respect Life month, please consider holding a charitable event to raise funds for LIFE. Maybe a breakfast or dinner to raise funds towards your Council's Pro-Life goal. But, it's time to start planning now, because before we know it October will be here. PLAN to succeed.

Brothers, we have a busy and challenging year ahead of us, but with Passion-Pride-Performance, just three words, I believe that together we can accomplish great things.

Fraternally,

Jeff Peters

STATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR Bob Bukowski
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Congratulations to Naperville Council 1369 on winning the International Service Award under the Culture of Life Category at this year's Supreme Convention held in San Antonio, TX. The activity was

ILLINOIS KNIGHTS IN ACTION



Pictured is Treasurer of Troy Council #9266 Charlie Hellrung, who is also a local Scout Leader presenting a check to Eagle Scout Candidate Justin Perkins.

titled “Celebrate Life” Mass & Dinner. The Knights and families of the Naperville Council supported both the Waterleaf Women’s Center – recipients of an ultrasound machine purchased through the Order’s Ultrasound Initiative – and the Father Michael J. McGivney Center for Hope and Healing.

One way in which they provided financial support was through their annual Celebrate Life Banquet. This past fraternal year, 45 Knights spent nearly 3,000 hours planning the banquet, which raised more than \$20,000 for these worthy organizations. The event, attended by nearly 350 people, features a Fourth Degree honor guard and presentations by the Illinois state chaplain and state deputy, as well as Relevant Radio personality Drew Mariani.

It was preceded by Mass and resulted in five new Knights and two Squires joining the Order. It reinforces that *“Every Program Represents a Membership Recruitment Opportunity”*.

Also at this year’s Supreme convention, a new Marion prayer program was inaugurated which features the image of Mary Immaculate from the cathedral Notre Dame de Quebec ceiling. This icon and prayer program is a manifestation of our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The following is an explanation of our new Marion icon.

In 1647, the parish of Notre Dame de Quebec was founded under the seat of the archdiocese of Canada. This became the oldest see in the new world north of Mexico. The territory of the diocese of Quebec was established by Pope Clement X that year and was led by Bishop Francois de Laval. This territory included all the possessions of France in North America from the Atlantic coast in Canada to the plains of the far west, the Mississippi valley and the Louisiana territories. This area comprised a land mass much larger than all of Europe.

On September 15, 1664, Bishop de Laval founded the first parish in Quebec honoring Notre Dame de Immaculate Conception. This was the first church in North America elevated to the rank of basilica by Pope Pius IX. The parish suffered two devastating destructions. The first was during the siege of Quebec in 1759. The second was a result of fire in 1922. On both occasions, the church was rebuilt for the greater glory of God.

The cathedral now stands as a national historic site of Canada and is the final resting place of deceased bishops, archbishops and four governors of New France. The cathedral parish will hold its jubilee year commemorating the 350th anniversary of its founding from December 8, 2013 through December 28, 2014. A newly constructed door at the cathedral is a gift from the Order of the Knights of Columbus and will be open for pilgrims to pass through during the celebration.

Reminder, councils should be underway with **Soccer Challenge and Essay Contest** and should start promoting **Coats for Kids, Food for Families, Christmas Poster Contest, Marian Hour of Prayer, and Free Throw**.

Remember “Every Program Represents a Membership Recruitment Opportunity”

Bob

STATE DISTRICT DEPUTY DIRECTOR Gary Schmidt

This is the first newsletter of the new fraternal year, and already fires have been started and put out and areas have been noticed that need some work. The life of a District Deputy (DD) is not easy, and no one ever said it was, but with a little more effort things will begin to flow. A reminder of some of the things that should flow are the reports DIR1, 185, 365 and with the publishing of this newsletter the semi-annual audit, as well as the first installment of the Councils’ per capita, are paid to the Supreme Council and the State Council. Does this sound familiar? It should -- it is in the list of your duties as DD to verify. If not, soon you will be called about missing forms, your councils will be in arrears for per capita, and you will start to receive e-mails and phone calls about what is going on. **DON’T LET THIS HAPPEN.**

By now, you should have received copies of the above-mentioned forms and audits for your files. Make sure per capita has been paid, schedule your district meetings with your council officers and members, have entries made on calendars of

upcoming events including scheduling major degrees in your district and the very important 1st degrees. Corresponding entries should have been made on the calendars of the Grand Knights of your councils.

Expectations of duty performance by a DD are of the highest priority. Who is the go-between for the council and the state officers and the Supreme Council? To find the answer, DD's 1 thru 94 should look in a mirror. A little history -- not even thirty years ago, the active DD's spent on the average 20 hours per month doing reports by hand in ink with multiple copies. The present day DD's spend about an hour at most per month and some who have really active councils spend longer, but the reports are done or some just don't do them. Get them done, don't get caught or say "I don't know", because that is not acceptable.

So in closing, the expectations for all DD's in the State of Illinois, no matter what diocese they are in, is that all required forms and audits are completed with a copy in your files and per capita paid. DD meetings need to be held and attended. Monthly information needs to be gathered for the report due on the 23rd of each month to the Diocesan Chairmen and the District Deputy Director. Activities after the 23rd are reported in the following month.

Diocesan meetings will be called for DD's and Diocesan Chairmen in the near future and are for airing of problems, review of the works of your councils, and other areas of concern and the good of the Order.

Vivat Jesus,

Gary Schmidt,

STATE PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR & NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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Hopefully you have read all the articles before mine and will continue to read the articles after.

The number one pops up many times so it must be important. As a long time member of the State Family I have to think back under PSD Joe Pietruzynski's tenure, when his goal was to end the year with one more member than we started the year with. Some of you might think that this was not much of a goal but for us who watched our State Council struggle every year with minus numbers this was a revelation. A country western song says *"I'm not as good as I once was but I'm as good once as I ever was"*. This song was written after our goal of one but it was a reflection of who we are. I guess we can say that the Power of ONE was born that day. It seems like a simple goal but as I look around at different council's I see the struggle they are having. Each of us has the power of one. Will you be the one to help make your council be one more than it was? Can you follow this path one step at a time? Did I mention that since the year we just wanted one more member we have been positive in membership every year. I guess we are *as good once as we ever was*.

At a Chapter meeting I was impressed with a Pro-life program. Rather than explain it, I have included the website address.

www.prolifewavecommunity.org/events/spiritualadoption.

The premise is to commit to saying one simple prayer each day. *"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of an unborn baby, that I have spiritually adopted, who is in danger of abortion"* (written by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen). An anonymous donor will contribute \$2500 if 2500 people make the commitment. The funds will go to the Fr. Michael McGivney Center for Hope and Healing. While I'm on the subject of websites how about going to the www.fathermcgivney.org/en/ and sign up to support Fr. McGivney's cause for Sainthood.

Vivat Jesus,

Bob

ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL OFFICE

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Forms, Forms, Forms.....Councils and Assemblies need to make sure that they have submitted their 185 Report of Officers for Term, 365 Service Personnel and 1295 Semi-Annual Audit Report forms to Supreme with a copy to the State Office. Additionally, the DIR-1 form needs to be sent to the State Office. The 2013-2014 State Directory will be going to press and it is important that the directory information is accurate and up-to-date. Forms are available on the State website.

The Newman Apostolate Program Annual Campaign will KICK-OFF the 3rd week of September. Remember you can use a credit card when making your donation. Campaign information, including donation cards and self-addressed return envelopes will be mailed to all Brother Knights of record in the Illinois Jurisdiction.

Speaking of the 3rd week of September, the Intellectual Disabilities Fund Drive will be held the 3rd weekend in September, September 20th, 21st, and 22nd! Be sure to send in your Candy Order Form to Tootsie Roll. Your order can be faxed to 708-423-8012 or mailed to PO Box 633, Oak Lawn, IL 60454-0633. Please remember to send a copy to the State Office. The Governor's Proclamation for the ID Drive should be arriving any day now and will be made available on the State Website. The Alternate Form of Insurance is now available and all certificates previously ordered will be sent out to the respective Councils as soon as they are received from the insurance carrier. If you need a specific Certificate of Insurance, **PLEASE E-MAIL** Donna at Donna@illinoisknights.org if a telephone call is necessary, Donna will call you, so include your contact information in the e-mail.

The first installment of Per Capita was due July 1st. Thank you to the over 300 Councils that have sent in that first installment. The State Office should be issuing the invoices for the 2013-2014 General Liability Insurance by the end of August. Please be prompt in remitting payment to the State Office.

Grand Knights, by now you should have received your "**GRAND KNIGHT FRATERNAL LEADER SUCCESS PLANNER**" if you haven't received yours, contact your District Deputy or Diocesan Chairman or Diocesan Assistant Chairmen. The State Office has a limited supply of a Spanish version of the Planner. If interested in a Spanish version of the Grand Knight or District Deputy Planner, contact Denny Shook at 815-935-2262 or Denny@illinoisknights.org

Councils should be ordering their Soccer Challenge kits, NOW! Kits are available through the Supreme Supply Department and from the State Office.

"KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" pins are available from the State Office. The "White" 2012 Version is available at a discounted price of \$.50 each **WHILE QUANTITIES LAST!** The "red" 2013 version is available for \$1.00 each. Pins are sold in quantities of 100 and there is a \$4.00 shipping charge per 100 pins.

Vocation Raffle books have been distributed to all Councils and Assemblies, if you haven't received your supply, contact Vicki at the State Office at Vicki@illinoisknights.org

The Final Tallies are in! Be sure to check the State Website for a list of Award winners for the 2012-2013 Fraternal Year. You can also check-out the latest issue of The Columbian for the Supreme Program winners!

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IN MEMORIAM

MAY THERE SOULS AND ALL OF THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE.. AMEN.

Years of Membership	Council #:		First Name, M.I.	Last Name
66	3761	S.K.	William (Fran)	Moore, GK
39	790	B.K.	Robert G. "Bob"	Svetz
63	658	B.K.	James V.	Morrisey
58	3789	S.K.	Lester	Hammel
57	1949	S.K.	Joseph	Naselli
29	1434	S.K.	William	Sanderson, PGK,FDD,PFN
24	665	B.K.	Mark A.	Worman
54	4024	S.K.	John H.	Morrisey
32	4024	S.K.	Lawrence A.	Brunswick
50	665	B.K.	Clarence A.	Niemerg
63	665	S.K.	Freddie F.	Judd
29	665	B.K.	Thomas F.	Dust
17	665	B.K.	Patrick J	Michl
44	665	S.K.	Gerald L.	Mette
25	1098	S.K.	Rudy S	Koishor
31	7624	B.K.	Roy E.	Tatro
49	734	S.K.	Donald	Carat, PGK,FDD,PFN
44	790	S.K.	Edward F	Benner
32	6165	B.K.	James J.	Ritson, Sr.
42	1057	S.K.	Vernon W	Thomas, PGK,FDD,PFN
5	1098	B.K.	Rudolph K	Votoupal

If you have a death in your Council please go to the In Memoriam form found on the State Website at www.illinoisknights.org