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HOLY WEEK



HOLY WEEK April 14—April 20. As Brother Knights and First and Foremost, Catholics, we must continuously practice our faith. The Lenten Season is the most important season of the Liturgical Year. Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday and continues through Easter

Sunday. It is very important for this is when Jesus enters Jerusalem while riding the donkey and greeted by many of his worshipers who laid down palm leaves on the ground as a sign of reverence. This is also a blessed time to welcome those who have committed their lives to our Catholic Faith through the RCIA Program.



Holy Thursday celebrates when Jesus held the Last Supper with his disciples. This is also when he establishes the Holy Sacrament of Communion for all us sinners. And, through his disciples, he establishes the Priesthood. During every Mass, we celebrate his Last Supper through the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This is also when Jesus uttered

these words during the Last Supper: "This is my body, which is given for you." And, "This is my blood...". Through our faith and with these words, we find eternal life.



Good Friday commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. There are some very important aspects of Good Friday, however, the most important event we can conduct throughout the Lenten Season are the Stations of the Cross. Here are the 14 prayers of the Station of the Cross - 1st Station: Jesus is condemned to death; 2nd Station: Jesus

carries His cross; 3rd Station: Jesus falls the first time; 4th Station: Jesus meets his mother; 5th Station: Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus to carry his cross; 6th Station: Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; 7th Station: Jesus falls the second time; 8th Station: Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem; 9th Station: Jesus falls a third time; 10th Station: Jesus clothes are taken away; 11th Station: Jesus is nailed to the cross; 12th Station: Jesus dies on the cross; 13th Station: The body of Jesus is taken down from the cross; 14th Station: Jesus is laid in the tomb.



Easter Sunday celebrates the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. It also ends Holy Week, the end of Lent and the last day of the Holy Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter) and is the beginning of the Easter season of the Liturgical Year. Jesus' resurrection solidifies good over evil, sin and death. This also provides credence to God's promise to us.

Upcoming Events/Reminders

- Holy Week: April 14---20
- Easter Sunday April 21
 Delta Church Drives
- . Day of Sinading
- State Convention May 16-18

STATE DEPUTY'S MESSAGE



My dear brothers in Christ, there are three more months to go for this Columbian Year. Where are we at this time? Well, last month in March, we saw another new Spanish council formed in San Fernando. I'd like to thank field agent Jose Castaneda for his efforts in forming this new Spanish council. We also saw the reactivation of a Spanish Council in Mecca. Thanks to DD 101 Pona Magana. With that said, we are ahead of last year's numbers, but California is still behind our goals as compared to the years past. We have been visiting Chapters for the past few weeks and have been talking

about the need to grow the Order and to get more participation from the councils in this effort. Let us look at our councils especially those that have not recruited a single member this year. This month, and every month, councils are encouraged to schedule Membership Drives to recruit new members. At the same time, every District should schedule Admission Degrees for the rest of the Columbian Year never canceling any admissions degree. The months of April and May the state Council is offering many incentives for new members. Take advantage of these incentives. Schedule to meet with your pastor and arrange to have a recruitment drive. Involve your field agent, your chapter and DD Mentor. Remember, that the seating at the state convention banquet will be determined on how many members your council recruits. Brothers, we have a lot of work to do. Let's see what we can do to help our councils, districts, chapters and our State Council grow. At times, it may seem impossible to reach our goals, but if we all work together; in order to achieve them, it can happen. I know we can do it. "For nothing is impossible with God"

God bless and Vivat Jesus!

Joe Salaiz
State Deputy
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For with God there is Nothing to Fear, "For Nothing is Impossible with God"



MEMBERSHIP PRAYER

Heavenly Father and gracious God, we come before you humbly, in thanksgiving and prayer.

As St. Augustine said: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts cannot rest until they rest in You." We, as Knights of Columbus, are searching for You, as we do all to make You known and present amongst our members. We recognize that 'everything begins from You and by You is happily ended', and we are grateful for Your presence in all our undertakings.

It has been our source of encouragement to be called the 'right arm of the Church', while we invite new members to join us in our support of a vibrant and new evangelization within the parishes where we serve. We are restless, O Lord, as we seek to develop our Faith Formation, and firmly base our spirituality on our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and true Christian Patriotism. Grant us the courage and foresight to be able to see You present in all our endeavors.

We thank you Lord for all your guidance and blessings, and we continue to place all we do as Knights firmly in Your hands.

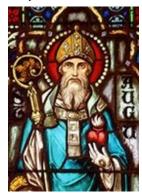
This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, our Lady Queen of America, pray for us.

- Fr. John Grace, OSA State Chaplain Emeritus Former State Chaplain 2004-5; 2006-7; 2007-8 Between March 2009 and Sept. 2013:

Supreme Office of Knights of Columbus, New Haven, Connecticut.,

- Director of Chaplain Programs and Development, and
- Assistant to Supreme Chaplain, Bishop, and later Archbishop, William E. Lori.



MARION HOUR ICON

The new Marian Hour icons have finally arrived. It's a beautiful image. We received eight icons for California. Each chapter will be sharing an icon with an adjoining chapter. A schedule for distributing the icons is currently being developed. Each chapter will have the icon for six months then transfer it to the adjoining chapter. They will then have it for six months. However, if your chapter would like to use the icon for a prayer service at a special event, and the sharing chapter has it, contact their Icon Coordinator for availability. It's anticipated the program will continue for two years. There is ample time for your councils to host the icon.

State Deputy Joe Salaiz requested that the icons be assigned first to chapters that have a mission. Four of the icons will be assigned to the northern part of the state (including Central Chapter) and the southern part (including Kern-Inyo Chapter) will receive four icons. The goal is to distribute the icons to these chapters by October 10th. More details to follow.

Email or call me if you have any questions on the new Marian Hour Icon program.

God Bless.

Jerry Fong State Chairman Marian Hour Icon Program California State Council jerryfong@comcast.net 916-832-7394



STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR MESSAGE

Worthy Brothers,

Why Push for Star?

- A Star Council is actively engaged in a variety of programs (Faith, Family, Community, and Life). These activities help the Brother, his family, your Church and the community.
- A Star Council is growing its membership to ensure Council longevity. Membership growth brings in the manpower to continue to organize and carry out activities that bolster spirituality and provide service opportunities. In addition, some of your new members will become Council officers and directors in coming years.
- A Star Council protects our Church and Order by ensuring that enough Brothers are Safe Environment Compliant so we can keep our children safe.
- A Star Council helps families by encouraging all Knights to meet with a Brother Field Agent to discuss arrangements to financially protect their families with our A+ rated insurance products.
- A Star Council nurtures leadership by engaging many men in the activities of the Council when it completes Form 365: Report of Service Program Personnel.
- A Star Council keeps in "Good Standing" with Supreme by paying its Per Capita which includes Catholic Advertising, Pro Life support, and supplies to run the Council.

How to Reach Star (even now)?

- A Delta Church Drive will help increase membership. (Ask your District Deputy or Chapter Officers how to organize and run the changed style of Church Drive.) Ask your DD to order a Delta Church Drive kit for your Council ASAP.
- Treat every program activity as a Membership opportunity. Look for non-Knights who participated in an event who are happy and smiling. Explain that the event they just enjoyed is typical of what Knights do. Then ask if they would consider joining.
- Give every Council member a bunch of the blue, "You Were Born A Man, You Become A Knight" (Form #10536) Online Membership recruitment cards. Ask each Brother to bring a couple to Mass every weekend. His task is to find a non-Knight before and/or after Mass, give him a card and say, "Go to this website to find out how the Knights of Columbus can help you and your family. If you like what you see, Join Us!"
- Go back to your old Prospect lists. Call or meet with the men who have not yet joined. Find out if they are ready to join now and offer them a chance to participate in an upcoming K of C event.
- Ask all of your Brother Knights for referrals. Get the names and contact information of Catholic family members, neighbors, co-workers and friends. Give these referrals to your best recruiters who will state, "Our Brother asked me to contact you about becoming a Knight."

Please forward this message to any Brother Knight who may choose to use it to help build your Council.

Yours in Service,

Michael Brault California State Membership Director Membership@CaliforniaKnights.org 619-548-3190



WHY & HOW TO STRIVE FOR STAR?

Worthy Brothers,

Sometimes a Council informs us that they won't apply awards because the Council cares more about service. That ideal is laudable but why not accomplish both?

The Star Council award is designed to strengthen Councils thereby allowing each Council to improve, grow, and refresh.

When the Star Award is earned by a Council, It shows the parish and the public that the Council is active and exemplary. The Star Council Award may also attract Prospects.

The requirements for Star help Councils in these ways:

- 1. Membership Growth = Father McGivney Award
 - A. Why this is important? Increased membership helps our Councils to be vibrant. New members are essential for the future of a Council since new members will eventually assume leadership positions. More Brothers joining means more helping hands for service. God will call some of our members home, therefore, we need new Brothers to take their places and keep the Council strong.
 - B.How to accomplish this? Check your Council's Membership Goal and use every program activity as a way to reach out and invite Prospects to join our Order. (see Membership Message #30)
- 2. Insurance Growth = Founders' Award
 - A. Why this is important? Fr. McGivney established the Order in part to protect widows and orphans. We, Brother Knights, should continue that legacy and ensure that our families will not have to struggle if the Angel of Death takes us unexpectedly.
 - B. How to accomplish this? All Brother Knights, especially Officers and Degree Team members, should positively promote our K of C insurance. Councils should host an Insurance Benefits Night annually. Our Brothers should be told that our insurance is top rated and that insuring our families is the responsible thing to do. Promote insurance at our meetings. Invite and warmly accept presentations by your Field Agent. Degree Team Captains should invite Field Agents to give a talk at Degrees. Remind members that, too often, we have been asked to pass the hat to help with a Brother's burial expense so each Brother should see an Agent to guarantee that families will be covered adequately.
- 3. Service = Columbian Award
 - A. Why is this important? Nearly all Brothers join the Knights out of a desire to serve the Church and community. Councils should plan a wide variety of prayer and volunteer programs to engage our Brothers and families with activities that are interesting and important. This helps both Retention since Brothers are serving on projects they support and it helps Recruitment since Prospects will also be attracted to these prayer and service opportunities.
 - <u>B. How to accomplish this?</u> Look through the new Faith In Action guidebook and use the <u>Faith in Action Overview</u> from Supreme's website. Each source details multiple activities in each of our four categories: Faith, Family, Community, and Life. Be sure to plan and implement the four required program activities.
- 4. Submit Form 365 = Service Program Personnel Report
 - A. Why is this important? By submitting this report, both Supreme and the State will have contact information for your Council Directors and Committeemen. These Brothers may be sent information, messages, and invitations to trainings that will help your Council.
- B. <u>How to accomplish this?</u> You may print a copy of <u>Form 365</u> and send it to <u>FraternalMission@KofC.org</u> or, easier still, the FS can submit via the Membership Management Application under the Officers Online section of the Supreme website.

WHY & HOW TO STRIVE FOR STAR? (CONTINUED)

- 5. Submit Form 1728 = Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity
 - A. Why is this important? This document helps your Council and the Order to maintain its taxexempt status. It reports to the Federal Government the charitable giving and volunteer service of our Order. Filing this report, the IRS Form 990, and CA Form 199 allows Councils to fundraise without paying taxes.
- B. How to accomplish this? Form 1728 can be printed or submitted via Member Management. Councils may print and use the <u>Survey of Fraternal Activity Individual Worksheet</u> to help compute the totals.
 - 6. Remain current with Supreme assessments
 - A. Why is this important? This allows Supreme to continue its work of developing and offering programs and materials to support Councils.
 - B. How to accomplish this? The Treasurer should send In the Council assessments now (2nd half of Per Capita, along with any other charges). Be sure that all charges and assessments sent in June are also paid on time.
 - * <u>Special Note:</u> Members from Councils that are suspended are *NOT* eligible for the free, Accidental Death Benefit offered to Brothers.
 - 7. Safe Environment Compliant (complete both K of C and Diocesan)
 - A. Why is this important? We need to ensure the safety of the children whom we see by being informed and responsible guardians. Councils that are fully compliant will be protected if a child abuse lawsuit is filed. Compliance protects the Council, its Officers, and the Order.
 - <u>B. How to accomplish this?</u> Be sure that the Grand Knight, Program Director, Family Director, and Community Director each take all three modules of the <u>K of C Safe Environment Program</u>. The Family and Community Directors must also submit the background check information. This training is done online (see link above). Directors who cannot or will not complete the training should be replaced by a Brother who will.

Please forward this message to any Brother Knight who may choose to use it to help build your Council.

Yours in Service,

Michael Brault California State Membership Director Membership@CaliforniaKnights.org 619-548-3190

Be not afraid, for nothing is impossible with God! Change a Life, Recruit a New Knight!

STATE PROGRAMS DIRECTOR MESSAGE

GRAB A STAR

Worthy Brothers,

Ever wonder if Supreme has recorded everything so your council will achieve Star Council or what needs to get accomplished to get Star Council? Ask your district Deputy for the latest copy of the California Star Tracker. He regularly receives a Get Out the Red eMail that contains the California Star Tracker.

At a glance you can see how your council stand for Insurance and Membership. Missing reports are highlighted in RED to provide an easy visual reference. Safe Environment requirements indicate "No Record" when the assigned director took too long and must be reassigned with a new form 365 and with "Need" if they need to finish the course or turn in the Back-ground check authorization form. "Yes" tells you that director is compliant.

The only requirements not shown on the California Star Tracker are the Mandatory program needed to complete the SP7 Columbian Award form. Here they are as a refresher:

- Faith Activity mandatory program Spiritual Reflection
- Family Activity mandatory program Consecration to the Holy Family
- Community Activity mandatory program Helping Hands
- Life Activity mandatory program Novena for Life

Ask your district deputy to see the Star Tracker and find out what you council need to do to be a Star Council. Get the Red Out and Grab a Star!

Vivat Jesus,

Eric Watson

State Program Director

FATHER MCGIVNEY GUILD

Father McGivney Guild

Brother Knights,

At the end of January, I received an update from Fr. Gabriel O'Donnell, OP, Vice-Postulator for the cause of Sainthood for our beloved founder, Venerable Fr. McGivney.

Fr. O'Donnell reported that the Roman process of investigation into his life and holiness is nearing completion and the investigation into a reported miracle is progressing. He goes on to say that the Guild plays an important role in making Father McGivney better known and spreading the word about his powerful intercession.

Many of our members are hesitant to join the Guild. Many think you are automatically a member if you are a Knight. Not so! Many apparently have never heard of the Guild. We simply have to do a better job of getting across to our members that our <u>prayers</u> are <u>important</u> and that joining this no -cost Guild is critical in showing our support.

As of January 2, 2019, there are 12,481 Guild members in our jurisdiction. I'm sure that includes family members and friends of Knights. I checked with my local Field Agent, Michael Wilson (#1 Agent in the State – attaboy!) and he tells me we have 76,564 Knights in California.

Our committee of Brother Knight Skip Frates and I, can't possibly reach everyone, but with <u>your</u> help we can make it happen.

At the next meeting of your Council, Chapter, or Assembly, please ask to have a few minutes' time during "The Good of the Order." Then ask those who do not belong to the Guild to raise their hand. Tell them we owe this to Fr. McGivney and the Church because of what the Order means to us. Ask them to take out their cell phone, punch in www.kofc.org and locate the McGivney Guild. They can put in their name and address and sign up right then and there!

Try this at your next work party or fund-raiser and you'll reach a different audience. Little effort – great results – you can make the difference.

Fr. O'Donnell reminds us that the spiritual heritage of Fr. McGivney is his precious gift to the K of C.

Talk to your District Deputies and Field Agent. Sometimes they can reach people that don't attend meetings. Remember, you don't have to be a Knight to join the Guild. Family members, friends, prayer group members may wish to join. There are also the advertisements in the "Columbia" if they want to use "snail mail."

Please accept this challenge - and I'd like your feedback.

Deacon Jim Crowley
Fr. McGivney Guild Chair
iimnanet@sbcglobal.net

FAITH ACTIVITIES REMINDER

Encourage deep personal encounter with God. Knights of Columbus councils work with their pastors to organize a regular Holy Hour of eucharistic adoration. Prepared for the men of the parish, this Holy Hour could include a reflection, communal rosary, prayers for intercession by St. Joseph or Knights of Columbus founder, Venerable Michael McGivney, and various other aspects as decided by the council.

On the day of the Holy Hour, consider wearing Knights of Columbus apparel and have the council membership director bring brochures and membership documents (including *Prospect Cards #921A*). Do not forget that this event is a recruiting opportunity. Consider hosting a brief fraternal gathering following the conclusion of your Holy Hour. To gain credit for your program, complete the associated reporting forms and submit them to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Mission. Remember to retain copies for your council records.

John Giltner FDD, PGK, PCP Faith Activities Director

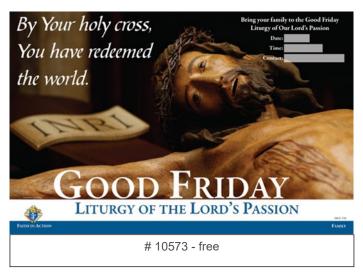
GOOD FRIDAY FAMILY PROMOTION



The Good Friday Family Promotion Program is an excellent way to strengthen the faith of your Council and your Parish by gaining a greater understanding of Our Savior's great love for us through His sacrifice on Good Friday. This year Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of Lent comes on March 6th. Good Friday takes place on April 19th. The purpose of this new Family Program is to increase the attendance at the Good Friday Liturgy by attending the services as a family. In addition, this Liturgy helps us to raise the visibility of the plight of Christians in the Middle East.

Grand Knights should meet with their pastors to gain support for this program by showing him the tools the Supreme Council has made available to promote family attendance on Good Friday. These include the following:

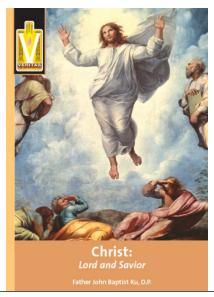




Good Friday posters #10638 (shown above) and #10573 which are free and can be displayed in the Church vestibule as well as in the Parish Hall and other meeting places

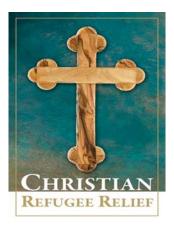
GOOD FRIDAY FAMILY PROMOTION (continued)

Additionally the pamphlet Christ: Our Lord and Savior is available. This 36 page work helps us to better understand Jesus through scripture and the sacraments, and how He can transform our lives.



#358 - \$1.00 a piece; larger discount available for orders over 100

Also available are Christian Refugee Relief Prayer Cards which contain a beautiful prayer on the back side of the card reminding us of our persecuted Christian brothers in the Middle East, and asking for peace among all peoples.



#10340 - \$3.00 for 100

Once approved by your pastor, draft pulpit announcements describing the significance of Good Friday in conjunction with the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil) and promote this program at your weekly Lenten Fish Fries. These materials can also enhance Station of the Cross liturgies during Lent.

ESSAY PROGRAMS

I would like, first of all, to Congratulate all the Councils & Chapters that participated in the 3 Essay programs for Columbian Year 2018-2019.

There was a 28% increase despite the delays in getting the Entry sheets to the Chapter & Councils.

The State Essay program has become the "Catholic Stewardship" Essay Competition for 4th thru 7th grades. This title will coincide with the Supreme Essay "Catholic Citizenship" essay program which is for 8th grade thru 12th Grade.

To update the data to the number of Essays received: "Keep Christ In Christmas" Essay, 17 Essays. Topic was: "How do we keep Jesus as the focus during the Christmas Season"

State Essay competition "Catholic Stewardship" for 4th thru 7th grades:

4th Grade - 5; 5th Grade - 7; 6th Grade - 6; 7th Grade - 23

Supreme Essay competition "Catholic Citizenship" Essay for 8th thru 12th grades:

8th Grade - 47; 9th Grade - 7; 10th Grade - 6; 11th Grade - 3; 12th Grade - 4

50% of the Chapters participated. Oakland Diocese Chapter #5 was the only Chapter to have 100% entries for all 3 Essay programs in all 14 groups. Los Padres Chapter #10 participated in 65% of the categories.

By the end of April there should be Winners certificates for KCIC Essay and the Catholic Stewardship Essay program on the State Website under forms. There will also be Participation certificates for the same programs. The Stewardship certificate will have the picture of St. Francis de Sales the patron Saint of writers. The certificates will be on display at the State Convention as well a copy of the winning Essays for all to read.

God's Blessings on all. Vivat Jesus!

Bro Claire Tryon
CA State Essay Chairman 2018-2019, 2019-2020 Designate
Oakland Diocese Youth Chairman

STATE FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

2019 Knights of Columbus Three Point Shootout

18 Yr, Boys: **Ben Cantu** Council 12555; Central Chapter

17 Yr, Girl: Chenka Rafan Council 15625; Arrowhead-Desert Valley Chapter

16 Yr, Girls: Bella Cantu Council 12555; Central Chapter

16 Yr, Girls 2nd Place: Melody Rafan Council 15625; Arrowhead-Desert Chapter

"NICE SHOOTING"

2019 First Place Winners

9yr Girl: Leilyan Caloza Council 5385; Diocese of Orange Chapter

9yr Boy: **Jericho Cayabyab** Council 5796; San Jose Chapter

10yr Girl: Kinsley Salsedo Council 12065; Central Chapter

10yr Boy: Noah Condon Council 4922; Diocese of Orange Chapter

11yr Girl: Fortune Nyah Council 13765; Northern California Chapter

11yr Boy: **James Fogarty** Council; Southern California Chapter

12yr Girl: **Kennedy Caires** Council 8879; San Diego Diocese Chapter

12yr Boy: **Ethan Ward** Council 7683; Oakland Diocese Chapter

13yr Girl: Malia Sabido Council 15625; Northern California Chapter

13yr Boy: **Ryan Lucca** Council 8177; Junipero Serra Chapter

14yr Girl: Emily Foster Council 5811; Oakland Diocese Chapter

14yr Boy: Michael Maloney Council 4588; Oakland Diocese Chapter

STATE FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

2019 2nd Place Winners

9yr Girl: Emma Laird Council 4970; Kern - Inyo Chapter

9yr Boy: Tyce Hinkle Council 9469; Northern California Chapter

10yr Girl: Catherine Barrow Council 12065; Central Chapter

10yr Boy: Austin See Council 4060; Oakland Diocese Chapter

11yr Girl: Lekhya Menca Council 9206; Oakland Diocese Chapter

11yr Boy: Cameron Corcoran Council 7915; Diocese of Orange Chapter

12yr Girl: Ationna Risoles Council 1418; Diocese of Orange Chapter

12yr Boy: Shane Paran Council 5796; San Jose Chapter

13yr Girl: Malia Sabido Council 15625; Northern California Chapter

13yr Boy: Joseph Chiu Council 6043; Oakland Diocese Chapter

14yr Girl: Helen Chu Council 5385; Diocese of Orange Chapter

14yr Boy: Rommel Boongaling Council 874; Northern California Chapter

2019 3rd Place Winners

9yr Girls: Gabrille Feldman Council; Chapter

9yr Boys: Jalen Jovellanoe Council 13011; San Gabriel Valley Chapter

10yr Girls: Jiyah Caban Council 4981; Oakland Diocese Chapter

10yr Boys: Manny Avina Council 15589; Northern California Chapter

11yr Girls: Grace Raskope Council 4018; Diocese of Orange Chapter

11yr Boys: Darrin Lacson Council 9076; San Diego Diocese Chapter

12yr Girls: Kamryn Clark Council 16255; Northern California Chapter

12yr Boys: Aiden McKinnon Council 9469; Northern California Chapter

13yr Girls: Victoria Bruno Council 5811; Oakland Diocese Chapter

13yr Boys: Miles Caban Council 4981; San Jose Chapter

14yr Girls: Kaylee Muckerman Council 9076; San Diego Diocese Chapter

14yr Boys: Andrei Pacheco Council 8599; Diocese of Orange Chapter

STATE FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

2019 4th Place Winners

9yr Girls: Kierg Thomas Council 12085; Central Chapter

9yr Boys: Allen Murphy Council 4834; San Diego Diocese Chapter

10yr Girls: Megan Bostic Council 15733; Mission High Desert Chapter

10yr Boys: Adrian Damaso Council 5796; San Jose Chapter

11yr Girls: Reyn Jensen Council 13011; San Gabriel Valley Chapter

11yr Boys: Aiday Caragan Council 874; Northern California Chapter

12yr Girls: Natalie Sanchez Council 3472; Southern California Chapter

12yr Boys: Phillip Nguyen Council 10287; Diocese of Orange Chapter

13yr Girls: Ella Cascia Council 3726 Central Chapter

13yr Boys: Garret Kuch Council 15499; Arrowhead-Desert Valley Chapter

14yr Girls: NO STATE WINNER

14yr Boys: Dylan Jacobson Council; San Joaquin Chapter

2019 5th Place Winners

9yr Girls: Gianna Tayar Council 10248; Central Chapter

9yr Boys: Alejandro Aceves Council 6038; Oakland Diocese Chapter

10yr Girls: Charlotte Correia Council 9206; Oakland Diocese Chapter

10yr Boys: Jamey Crandall Council 12048; Central Chapter

11yr Girls: Hailey Halbeck Council 10991 Arrowhead-Desert Valley Chapter

11yr Boys: Ethan Bugarin Council 5796; San Jose Chapter

12yr Girls: Sabrina Strode Council 15344; Oakland Diocese Chapter

12yr Boys: Zidane Sue Council 15242; St Francis Chapter

13yr Girls: Marissa Sanchez Council 5385; Diocese of Orange Chapter

13yr Boys: Logan Lim Council 7519 Diocese of Orange Chapter

14yr Girls: NO STATE WINNER

14yr Boys: William Riddle Council 14292; Arrowhead-Desert Valley Chapter

STATE FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP

2019 6th Place Winners

9yr Girls: Sophia Gomez Council; Chapter

9yr Boys: Jordan Arenzana Council 8599; Diocese of Orange Chapter

10yr Girls: Alessandra Chavarria Council 9786; San Gabriel Valley Chapter

10yr Boys: Antonio Rodriguez Council 3815; Junipero Serra Chapter

11yr Girls: Eva Arceo Council 10948; St Francis Chapter

11yr Boys: Dash Strottman Council 7683; Oakland Diocese Chapter

12yr Girls: Oriana DiSanto Council 12853; San Jose Chapter

12yr Boys: Nichlas Ponuco Council 8879; San Diego Diocese Chapter

13yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS

13yr Boys: John Paul Ramos Council 15034; San Gabriel Valley Chapter

14yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS

14yr Boys: Gabriel Cantu Council 12555; Central Chapter

2019 7th Place Winners

9yr Girls: Crystal Paramo Council; Chapter

9yr Boys: Dicmostnenes Caicedo Council; Chapter

10yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS

10yr Boys: Jedrek Uy Council 15034; San Gabriel Valley Chapter

11yr Girls: Ruby Kruse Council 4926; San Jose Chapter 11yr Boys: Cade Salsado Council 12085; Central Chapter

12yr Girls: Deanna Prudenciado Council 10948; St Francis Chapter

12yr Boys: Samuel Casilles Council 9603; Central Chapter

13yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS

13vr Boys: Anthony Michael Council 3726; Central Chapter

14yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS 14yr Boys: NO STATE WINNERS

2019 8th Place Winners

9yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS

9yr Boys: Izaak Mattar Council 8879; San Diego Diocese Chapter

10yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS

10yr Boys: Raul Rodriguez Council 16154; Los Padres Chapter 11yr Girls: Auna Morales Council 11137; Los Padres Chapter 11yr Boys: Jaiden Pham Council 8177; Junipero Serra Chapter

12yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS

12yr Boys: Presley Mondragon Council 15034; San Gabriel Valley Chapter

13yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS 13yr Boys: NO STATE WINNERS 14yr Girls: NO STATE WINNERS 14yr Boys: NO STATE WINNERS

CALIFORINIA COLUMBIAN CHARITIES



California Columbian Charities P. O. Box 4256 Cerritos, CA 90703



The "365 Club" demonstrates - Charity, Unity and Fraternity!

For over 60 years California Columbian Charities has provided kindness and generosity to California Knights by fulfilling Father McGivney's mandate of

BROTHER HELPING BROTHER.

In the past we have responded to over 2300 requests to provide Brothers with their family's critical needs and have given more than \$3,500,000 in relief. In 2018 Columbian Charities responded to 113 requests from Brothers and widows with 94 grants and \$263,670 in aid.

If you know of a Brother who is in severe financial distress please ask his council's **Grand Knight** to contact the State Council office for Charity application forms, (909) 434-0460, or state.office@californiaknights.org.

We need your generous charitable and fraternal support to continue assisting Brothers who cannot provide for themselves. For several of the past years donations to the charity have been much less than what was needed to meet the needs of our many Brothers who had suffered because of the economy & natural disasters. This is a California

State Council program. Supreme last year donated \$120,000 to help with the wildfire disaster relief.

The "365 Club" and the Parade of Grand Knights are the primary methods of raising funds for California Columbian Charities. We ask that every Brother in California join the "365 Club" and donate a penny a day - either by adding an additional \$3.65 (or more) to their dues payment, or by a cash donation at council meetings. The council may hold these funds until May when they should be brought to the State Convention and the Parade of Grand Knights.

If a council misses the convention it should not skip its donation. Please mail all council and personal checks (payable to Californian Columbian Charities) to the above address. These donations may be sent at any time.

Although the "365 Club" and Parade of Grand Knights involve only one donation a year at the State Convention, further donations are appreciated by Columbian Charities and by your Brothers in distress.

Thank you for your generosity.

Every Council's Financial Secretary should introduce the Council members to the "365 Club" so that all Brothers have the ability to contribute to Columbian Charities. To join, each Brother is asked to voluntarily donate a penny a day (\$3.65 or more, per year) to the Charity. The best way to accomplish this is for the Financial Secretary to add an additional line to the dues billing statement (including those sent to non-dues paying Honorary Members): "365 Club – Please add a \$3.65 donation to Columbian Charities." This will provide every Brother in the Council an opportunity to support our charity.

We urge Councils to start employing the "365 Club" option during their next dues billing cycle. Financial Secretaries have many responsibilities in carrying out their duties; however, Brothers are losing their jobs, their health insurance and their homes during hard times. We need to extend to them a helping hand and we know that every Brother in every Council wants to participate.

Charity Begins at Home - BROTHER HELPING BROTHER

2019-2020 STATE PLANNING MEETING

The 2019—2020 State Planning meeting was held March 8-9 in Ontario CA. Attendees were welcomed by State Deputy Joe Salaiz and State Secretary David Abbot. Attendees were reminded, we are in this together, to grow the Order, to change the world, and what the knights can do to make a difference. Each of us needs to do what we can and continue to say yes.

We received guidance from Supreme Regional Growth Director, Robert Kish. He mentioned Parish membership drives do not happen without practice. The Grand Knight is responsible to ensure the drive's success. Councils need to set goals, and cover all Masses. All council members need to get is the name of the prospect and e-mail address or phone number for further follow up. Be sure to get the Pastor's permission, as well as publishing the membership drive in the parish bulletin two weeks prior and include a pulpit announcement the weekend of the drive. Robert also suggested passing Father McGivney prayer cards prior to each Mass. We must remember we are Knights of Faith, Knights of Charity, and Knights of Action.

All the work is done at the council level. As the Supreme Knight stated many times, we have a moral obligation to offer membership in the Knights of Columbus to every Catholic man.

Many councils have not recruited a new member in years. All we are asking for is councils to recruit one new member, per council, per month. That is not asking a lot. We all know men and their families who could benefit from joining the knights. Please meet with your Pastor at least once a year, and ask him "What can the knights do for you?".

The meat of the meeting came from the breakout sessions, where the Membership team, Programs team and the Operations team came together to discuss their ideas and plans for next Columbian Year. When the general meeting resumed, all ideas were shared with attendees.

State Membership Director (Designate) T. J. Starkweather reminded attendees the Shepard Program works. We need to make personal contact with members and ask what they need. Do not just call when dues are in arrears.

PSD Tim Carvalho stressed the need for one Admission Degree per district, per month. It was stressed we are about the four Fs: Faith, Family, Fraternalism, and Fun.

State Programs Director (Designate), Ricardo Saldana discussed how we must make members feel involved. This is why men join the Order. They want to participate in activities that support the Parish and the local community.

A major emphasis was placed on the "Safe Environment Program"; we need to protect our children. The Grand Knight, Program Chairman, Youth Chairman and Family Chairman must complete the Safe Environment Training. Besides council officers and committeemen knowing how to protect our youth, the training is mandatory for the above members. If these members are not certified; the council is not qualified for state and supreme awards.

Our goal this year is to increase membership involvement in our programs.

John Giltner FDD, PGK, PCP

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Livermore Knights - Successful 46th Annual Crab Feed and Charity Auction

Saturday March 16, 2019 Livermore, CA

The Knights of Columbus hosted a gala crab feed and charity auction for over 400 supporters at the Robert Livermore Community Center on Saturday, March 16. This 46th year of this annual fundraising event.

In addition to the abundant fare, which included excellent crab and pasta plus a variety of fine local wines and craft beers, Knights supporters were treated to three sets by the popular local band "Mixed Nuts", the last of which lead to a packed dance floor until the event ended.

Over 100 Knights worked diligently to prepare and host this event; at time the energy in the room was almost overwhelming as guests and volunteers had a wonderful time. At the end of the night, the result was a fun, and delicious, evening of charity that raised a significant amount of money for charity. The success of the event will enable the Livermore Knights to continue their great activities that support local community and charitable organizations.

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal organization devoted to works of charity. They raise funds through various community events and donate the net proceeds to worthy causes, mostly in Livermore and the Tri Valley region.



Deputy Grand Knight Anthony Contarciego welcome guests

KNIGHTS IN ACTION

Livermore Knights Hold "Unplanned" Event to Support Pregnancy Clinic

Wednesday March 27, 2019 Livermore, CA

The Livermore Knights of Columbus coordinated and hosted a red carpet, pre-screening event on Wednesday March 27, 2019 at the Regal Hacienda Crossings Cinema in Dublin. When given opportunity to see the film, "Unplanned", before its planned March 29th launch, almost 300 moviegoers and Knights of Columbus supporters turned out on a typically quiet Wednesday evening at the theater. They hailed primarily from the Tri-Valley region, but some came from as far away as Oakland and Alameda. All came with an eager anticipation of the film and a generous spirit because this special evening was designed to raise funds to replace a failing ultrasound at a Support Circle Pregnancy Clinic.

In addition to showing the film, the Knights arranged for "Unplanned" film producer, Chris Jones, to speak to the audience before the screening about the making of the film and expectations for its success. He spoke about how the production was set in Oklahoma, about the moving experience of working with Abby Johnson, and the overwhelmingly positive feedback he has received from earlier screenings.

The CEO of Support Circle Pregnancy Clinics, Albert Lee, was also on hand to speak to the audience after the film. Mr. Lee emphasized the importance of having ultrasounds in pregnancy clinics to make sure that the best possible health decisions are made for pregnant mothers and their children. He also praised the Knights of Columbus for their consistent, compassionate support.

The filmgoers filled the spacious Regal Cinema lobby for almost an hour after the film was finished. Most were engaged in lively discussions about how the film deeply moved them, many relating experiences of their own family members and friends and giving generous donations to the Knights to help their cause.

The event was deemed a complete success. As Grand Knight Wesley Arnold put it, "we exceeded expectations completely...we had a with a large sold-out theater full of supporters who went home after an experience that deeply moved them as individuals and as a community. Plus, we got almost half-way to our big goal this evening with just this one activity." The larger Knights of Columbus organization, through its Ultrasound Initiative, assists local councils with a dollar-matching program, if 50% of the purchase price of an ultrasound is raised. The Knights hope to raise the rest of the funds in coming weeks so that the equipment can be put to work as soon as possible.

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Livermore Knights with "Unplanned" Director, Chris Jones and Support Circle CEO, Albert Lee

The pre-screening played to an enthusiastic full house on Wednesday evening.

CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION MAY 16-19, 2019

Convention Ladies Luncheon "Fiesta Under the Sun" is a must-see event. It will be held Saturday May 18, 2019Many delegates will bring their wives to the state convention in San Diego. What better way to show your appreciation for their support for you, your council, and the order? In addition to a great lunch with friends, new and old, there will be raffle prizes for everyone to have a chance to win. Be sure to wear colorful clothing. After all this is a Fiesta.

Charity is the principle on which our Order was founded. Delegates are reminded to bring your checks for the "Parade of Grand Knights". California Columbian Charities, Inc assisted many brothers who suffered financial difficulties the Columbian Year. Many lost their homes due to the Paradise Fire. Your donation will help prepare for the next disaster, as well as helping brother with financial issues.

Speaking of money. You have a chance to win real money at the Opportunity Drawing. Grand Prize \$2,000.00, Second prize \$500.00. Cost of a ticket is \$5.00 or ten tickets for \$20.00. Chances of winning are better than the state lottery.

John Giltner Convention PR Chairman



MEET AND GREET CA STATE COUNCIL LIFE TEAM MEMBERS

We hope to see many of you at the 117th Annual CA State Convention taking place at the San Diego Town & Country Convention Center Thursday May 16 – Saturday May 18, 2019. While there, meet our LIFE Director, LIFE Chairmen, and LIFE Committeemen at our Lobby Tables. Check out displays with information you can take back with you for CY 2019-2020 LIFE Programs.

This State Convention is a great opportunity to expand Brother Knight Contacts and share information. The California LIFE Team will have detailed information that will be helpful to you to also share with others. And, we want to hear about LIFE activities your local Councils and Chapters are doing. Together we will partner to do a better job to be Saving Lives by Changing Lives each year.

- Helping Brother Knights be more effective in sharing our Sanctity of Life Values such as through the Novena For Life, Mass for those with Special Needs, Special Olympics
- Helping mothers chose life for their babies Unborn AND Born
- News about the Abortion reversal pill from Brother Knight Dr. George Delgado who developed it
- Learning why an ultrasound is needed to follow the Abortion Pill reversal process
- Learning how to make our Walks for Life and Peaceful Pro-Life Public Prayer Demonstrations more effective

Information on the above and many more topics will be shared with Dedicated Pro-Life Knights and their families.

Please consider contacting us by phone or email about your availability as we develop the May LIFE Tables Schedule for spending some quality time with us there.

We also look to partake in the fun and socializing with you, your families, friends and potential Knights at the various Hospitality Suites!

Thanking you for all YOU do . . .

Fraternally - For LIFE,

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Other State LIFE Team members are checking their schedules for when they can be at our tables as well.



CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION MAY 16-19, 2019

Mission San Diego de Alcala & Old Town San Diego Thursday, May 16, 2019 2 Tours in 1

Mission San Diego de Alcala

The first part of your tour will begin at the historic mission founded by Father Junipero Serra in 1769, there ended up being a total of 21 missions along the California coast. You will have a docent led tour of about 90 minutes. At the conclusion of the tour you will be able to spend time in the meditation garden, also a visit to the gift shop.

Old Town San Diego

Upon leaving the mission, you will begin traveling on to Old Town. This space is filled with food, folklore and fun Life for the Mexican Americans during 1821-1872, beautiful Chapel of the Immaculate Conception. Many stores from that early age that you can see come to life. You will be on your own to take in the sights here.

\$35.00 per person

Bus departs from the Town & Country Resort at 10:30 a.m. and returns at 3:30 p.m. Limited seating make reservations early. Deadline April 15, 2019.



CALIFORNIA STATE CONVENTION MAY 16-19, 2019

Viejas Casino & Resort Including the Viejas Outlets Friday, May 17, 2019

Perhaps you will find your fortune at Viejas and then spend it at the Viejas Outlets Mall?

\$15.00 per person

Do you like Slot Machines, Texas Hold'em, Black Jack, Roulette, Keno or Bingo and shopping? If so, then this tour is for you. Do not miss your opportunity to try your luck and join us on a trip to the beautiful Viejas Casino and Resort. You can spend your day enjoying gaming and dining at the resort, and if you choose, spend additional time relaxing and relishing the scenery, soothing cascades and artisan-crafted sculptures, when strolling through the Viejas Outlets, reveling in the premier San Diego Shopping Experience.

A light snack will be provided on bus to casino, guest must be 21 to participate in this tour. Guest will be required to obtain and utilize their Viejas Casino V Club Card at least once during their stay at the Casino.

Bus departs from the Town & Country Resort at 9:30 a.m. and returns at 4:30 p.m. Limited seating make reservations early. Deadline April 15, 2019



MUSEUM TO HONOR 4TH DEGREE

The California Knights of Columbus Emilio B. Moure Museum Association will be honoring the 4th Degree this next Columbian Year by providing some historical facts and artifacts associated with the 4th Degree including the changes of uniforms over the years. The Museum Board of Directors at the last meeting voted to approve the project and have it ready to go in time for the State Convention to be held in San Diego in May of 2019. All Brother Knights, Councils and Assemblies that would like to donate to the project may send a check made out to the above-named Museum Association and send to P.O. Box 693, Riverside, CA 92502-0693.









California State Convention Friday Night Event

Sports Enthusiasts! Come to the Stadium and Cheer your Favorite Team! We will be providing a space for you to have a great Tail-Gate Party to cheer your Favorite Sport, Team, Team Member, or just have fun with the State Family doing their best to cheer their Favorite Team, TEAM CALIFORNIA!. So wear your favorite Sports clothing and bring your Chapter to sponsor a Team Area and have a great fun time with all. There will be Games and prizes as well as chances to bid on some great sports items and gifts. So come join us in May 2019 at the Town and Country Resort for this fun filled evening.

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