

## MESSAGE FOR APRIL

This month, councils are encouraged to check their entries for the SP-7 (Columbian Award Application) and schedule programs and events that are needed to complete the application.

Remember you need to enter 4 programs per category for a total of 20. It is best that you submit your Columbian Award Application at the earliest possible time or by June 1 to allow time to resubmit the application in case it doesn't pass the Supreme requirements. Please read carefully the Columbian Award Program Reporting Guidelines that are on page 1 when you access the PDF file under council forms at the Supreme website.



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State Program Director

### **STATE PROGRAMS OF THE MONTH**

April - Wheelchair Program - COMMUNITY

May - Marian Prayer - Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians - FAITH

June - Building the Domestic Church Kiosk - FAITH

### **GLOBAL WHEELCHAIR MISSION**

The goal is to provide aid to those who do not have the freedom of mobility.

Change the lives of people with disabilities. Have a **“Wheelchair Sunday”** parish drive to raise funds for the delivery of wheelchairs. Or have your council donate at least \$300 for 2 wheelchairs. For more information, contact CA State Wheelchair Chairman Louis Salvatore via [programs@californiaknights.org](mailto:programs@californiaknights.org)

Thousands of wheelchairs are being delivered to veterans and needy families in the U.S., Mexico, Philippines.

Donations can be made online at: [www.amwheelchair.org/donate](http://www.amwheelchair.org/donate) or you can visit the Global Wheelchair Mission website at [www.amwheelchair.org](http://www.amwheelchair.org).

### **CAMPESINOS STATE PROGRAM**

Campesinos Program Chairman SK George Arias sent out this message.

Due to a recent failure of a major employer of campesinos in both orchards and packing houses in the area (Prima Wawona), the campesinos and their families will be impacted as they were laid off last month. That company employs **~5,000 permanent and mostly seasonal workers** (this does not account for their families) in 5 packing houses and 15,000 acres of land, mostly in the area between Fresno and Visalia.

The sister communities of Cutler-Orosi (located ~15 miles north of Visalia) are locations for both packing houses and orchards for the failed Prima Wawona company. These would therefore be a great target for this distribution.

Brothers, on behalf of our Campesinos and their families, in this area, we MUST ask our Brother Knights to reach out to their councils for help, during these overwhelming times in the area. It is crucial to demonstrate to them and the community, we are MEN OF ACTION. We cannot in good conscience come to our State Convention in May and not want to help with so much misfortune in the area.

Please bring this up at your meeting in April or early May and encourage your council to bring a donation to the state convention.

## **SUPREME ASAP PROGRAM**

### **State “Pass the Hat” Message from Supreme:**

Every state council is encouraged to “pass the hat,” especially during their state conventions, to raise money for pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes as part of the Order’s ASAP program. To reward those who do this most effectively, the jurisdiction in each membership division (1-6) that raises the most money by May 31 will receive a check for \$1500. Funds donated to PRCs and MHs will also be matched 25% with a cap of \$10,000 per jurisdiction. Help the Order reach its \$5 million end-of-year goal for ASAP and earn extra funds for women in need and your jurisdiction! [Click here](#) for the incentive guidelines. Please bring this up at your meeting in April or early May and encourage your council to bring a donation to the state convention.

## **Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities**

To date California councils have raised over \$363,600 for people with intellectual disabilities, and the total is still growing. Please continue to encourage councils in your chapter and district to hold a fundraiser or make a charitable contribution benefiting people with intellectual disabilities. Strive for 100% district and chapter participation!

Councils achieving \$4,000 or more in cumulative contributions from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 will receive the "Benefactor's Award" at bronze, silver and gold levels depending upon the amount raised. District Deputies achieving 100% district participation will also be recognized, along with chapters having the highest earnings and percentage of participation. All contributions count as a *Faith In Action* activity in the "Life" section of the Form SP-7 Columbian Award Application.

Click [here](#) for information and resources regarding the ***Annual Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities***.

## **Fr. McGivney 100 Shirts Promotional Program 2023-2024**

All ELECTED OFFICERS of the Council or Assembly must be members of the Fr. McGivney Guild.

For any questions please email [programs@californiaknights.org](mailto:programs@californiaknights.org) ATTN: Skip Frates

## **FORM 10784**

For **February**, there were **121** forms submitted from **39** councils. **It’s very important that we continue to submit Form 10784 immediately after each council event. Let’s make it a habit to do this.** Let’s continue encouraging submission of forms, especially since we have **733** councils in our State.

**To access Form 10784, click on the following ink:**

<https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/spa/invite.html?lang=en&form=10784C.02> or

<https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/spa/invite.html?lang=en&form=10784C.019>

Once you enter your membership number and name it will give you this message:

Please check your email account (In Box or Spam Folder) for an email from [donotreply@kofc.org](mailto:donotreply@kofc.org), for instructions to file your 10784 online. If you do not receive an email, please ask your financial secretary / faithful comptroller to make sure you have an email on file in Member Management.

**Video on Form 10784** To get instructions on how to fill up Form 10784 to report an event which is not on Family of the Month, Coats for Kids, Global Wheelchair Mission, Habitat for Humanity, March for Life, Silver Rose, and Special Olympics, [Watch this short video tutorial](#) for step by step process in filling up the form.

If you are reporting an event which is on Family of the Month, Coats for Kids, Global Wheelchair Mission, Habitat for Humanity, March for Life, Silver Rose, and Special Olympics,

please access the following link to the video which includes additional information and form to submit for Family of the Month, Coats for Kids, Global Wheelchair Mission, Habitat for Humanity, March for Life, Silver Rose, and Special Olympics

[https://site-842560.bcvp0rtal.com/detail/videos/forms\\_/video/6222163148001/faternal-programs-report-form-10784-training-video?autoStart=true](https://site-842560.bcvp0rtal.com/detail/videos/forms_/video/6222163148001/faternal-programs-report-form-10784-training-video?autoStart=true)

**FORM 10784 INCENTIVE**

July winner - Council 16185 under District 70, Central Chapter

August winner - Council 4438 under District 98, Southern California Chapter.

September winner - Council 11393 under District 148 , Arrowhead-Desert Valley Chapter

October winner - Council 10948 under District 29, St. Francis Chapter

November winner - Council 17037 under District 16, Northern California Chapter

December winner - Council 6332 under District 133, Diocese of Orange Chapter

January winner - Council 12887 under District 6, Northern California Chapter

February winner - Council 15339 under District 145, Arrowhead-Desert Valley Chapter