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“Crazy Love” Message of Marian Festival

A. “Raising their voices in one chorus” are Msgr. Eduardo Chavez, canon of the Basilica of Guadalupe in Mexico City, Nebraska State Deputy Mike Conrad, and guest speaker Lauren Bauer, a criminal prosecutor for the L.A. District Attorney’s Office.



Written by Laurie Hergott, wife of State Warden-elect Tony Hergott. Photography by Past State Deputy Don Ferneding.

**Mama Maria
has a crazy love for us,
do you get it?**

— MSGR. EDUARDO CHAVEZ —

Crazy love is what Mama Maria has for us, according to the Postulator for the Cause of Juan Diego.

And the passion with which he described this love spread like wild fire among the hundreds of attendees and workers at the Marian Festival honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe March 27 at the Pershing Center in Lincoln. This first-ever event of its kind in the state featured Msgr. Eduardo Chavez, canon of the Basilica of Guadalupe in Mexico City. Msgr. Chavez is one of the world’s foremost experts on Our Lady of Guadalupe as he was Postulator for the Cause of Juan Diego, who was canonized July 31, 2002.

“Mama Maria has a crazy love for us, do you get it?” the Monsignor yelled in his thick accent, waving his arms, waiting for the crowd’s response. Many times throughout his presentation on the history of Our Lady of Guadalupe, he

would ask if the crowd “got it,” expecting an answer, often waving and repeating the question if the answer wasn’t shouted back at him with great enthusiasm.

The Blessed Virgin Mary’s love for us is why she continues to visit us here on Earth, he said. She wants us to know of her crazy love for us and wants us to share that crazy love for and with each other and her Son.

The love Our Mother Mary has for us also was shared by Lauren Bauer, a criminal prosecutor for the Los Angeles District Attorney’s Office.

Bauer shared with the group how Mary’s love changed her family through the simple prayers of the Rosary. Her story of personal tragedy and loss during her childhood and college and professional softball career, her journey away from and back to the Church, and the power of the Rosary fanned the flames of passion through the crowd. Bauer’s love for her Catholic Faith, Mary and the Rosary were obvious and contagious.



B. Marian icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe. "Crazy love is what Mama Maria has for us," according to the Postulator for the Cause of Juan Diego.

C. Some of the young people attending the festival pose with Lauren Bauer and Msgr. Chavez, both of whom went out of their way to make the children feel they were an important part of the festivities.

D. Lauren Bauer and Msgr. Chavez both shared their "love of our Mother Mary" with those who gathered for the festival.

**... all raised their voices
in one chorus
to our Mother Mary.**

Also sharing their love for Mary were Christa and Seth Conrad, Joshua and Rebekah Her gott, and Dawn Marie Thompson. They set five bouquets of long-stemmed r ed roses before the icon of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Ellen Soukup shar ed her love of Mary thr ough her music and the cultural dancers fr om Omaha brought their unique praise for Mary to the day. The final offering of love for Mary that day was the Living Rosary . Seminarians, sisters, lay leaders and members of the Chur ch all raised their voices in one chorus to our Mother Mary.

This day spent honoring Mary was the r ealization of State Deputy Mike Conrad's dr eam. The Conrad family first met Msgr. Chavez at the 2009 Supreme Convention in Phoenix. After experiencing Monsignor 's program, the State Deputy was moved to bring a similar pr ogram to Nebraska.

"Mary's message needs to be hear d by everyone, especially in the current political climate," Conrad said.

Conrad encour ages everyone to learn mor e about Marian apparitions, particularly Our Lady of Guadalupe, and pray the Rosary daily . As lovers of Mary , we ar e promised that by faithfully praying the Holy Rosary , we receive much through her intercession with Our Lord, Jesus Christ, and invoke untold graces and blessings on ourselves and others, help at the hour of our death and world conversion.

One Knight said he was excited the event was held during Lent, that it was appr opriate timing in pr eparation for Easter. Another Brother Knight commented, "This was without a doubt the most spiritual and inspirational KC event I've ever been to. We should do mor e things like this!"

A. Supreme Guests Inez and Supreme Director Logan Ludwig



B



B. District Master Howard Gaffney thanks Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz from the Diocese of Lincoln for clearing his busy schedule and joining us at the 2010 State Convention.

C. Members of the 4th Degree who served as the Honor Guard at the Saturday evening Mass and Banquet.



On the cover

Steve and Marie Zack Family named Family of the Year

Written by Donald and Terri Hypse, State Family Directors

The Steve and Marie Zach family of St. Isidore Council 12086, Columbus, was named the 2010 Family of the Year at the Nebraska Knights of Columbus State Convention. Both Steve and Marie are active in their parish and council as well as being strong supporters of Catholic education.

Steve used his expertise as an energy efficiency consultant to design and oversee the HVAC systems for St. Isidore's new church and for Scotus Catholic High School, earning the Scotus Outstanding Service Award in 2009 for his efforts.

The couple has attended Christians Encounter Christ and Worldwide Marriage Encounter while taking leadership roles in their children's activities such as 4-H, sports, and mission trips. They serve the needs of the Columbus community through Relay for Life and Red Cross blood drives.

Each of their three sons, Wes, Austin, and Danny, are Knights; daughter Laura is active in high school and parish groups.

Grand Knight Bill Leng called them "pitch in and help" people who contribute in "spiritual, educational, and financial" ways.

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State Convention in April 2010? Download the photos of your choice (free) at www.nebraskakofc.org

**AWARD WINNERS
LISTING**

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Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and District Deputy Seminar July 10 and 11, 2010, Grand Island

Written by State Program Director-designate Chuck Kozisek and State Church Director Terry Fletcher

You'll Gain Important Insight

The new Directors are in place and look forward to meeting the new and current Grand Knights.

- Registration will be from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- The meetings will start at 1:00 p.m.
- Something new this year is Saturday dinner at the hotel.

(See bottom of opposite page for information.)

It's important that each council send their Grand Knight and Financial Secretary. It's also a good idea to send the Deputy Grand Knight so he can prepare for his time in charge.

Each Director and Chairman will have time to introduce themselves and give a brief run down on their particular projects/directorships. Packets will be handed out with the Directories and Program Books. They all look forward to being of assistance to your councils.

Note that Saturday's lunch is on your own.

Remember to ask a Catholic gentleman to join the Knights.

Mass at the Cathedral and Installation of Officers

Our State Mass at the seminar will be at 5:00 p.m. as usual, but Bishop Dendinger has invited us to celebrate the Eucharist with him at the Cathedral in Grand Island. (The Cathedral is about five minutes from our Mid-Town Holiday Inn.)

We will have installation of State Officers and District Deputies after Mass.

"Keep Christ in Christmas" Cards Available at the Seminar at Special Prices

We will have our "Keep Christ in Christmas" cards available at the seminar again this year. Let's keep Christ in Christmas again this year! Plan to take a case assortment back to your home council. This is our "early bird special".

Take advantage of the special pricing and your council will help "Keep Christ in Christmas" and also earn \$160 that can be donated to a needy family or special cause this Christmas time.

*"Every effort should be made by your council's Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and Financial Secretary to attend this important organizational meeting."
— Jim Haiar, State Deputy-elect —*

Nebraska Knights Have Three (3) Free Throw International Champions!



This year Nebraska boasts three Free Throw International Champions. These young people deserve our admiration and congratulations. Awards will be presented during the Saturday evening dinner at the GK, FS, DD seminar in Grand Island. The winners are:

12 yr old boys - Austin Hall

St. Stephen the Martyr Council 10160, Omaha
Winning score 24/25

14 yr old boys - Trevor Wiegert

Phil Sheridan Council 1497, Fremont
Winning score 25/25

13 yr old girls - Haley Thiel

Wahoo Council 1833, Wahoo
Winning score 24/25

Congratulations Austin, Trevor, And Haley!



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SEMINAR AGENDA

July 9-11, 2010 • Grand Island

Friday, July 9, 2010

- 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.State Officers Meeting
- 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.State Family Dinner
- 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.State Officers Meeting
- 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.Directors & Chairman Meeting
- 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.Membership Meeting

Sunday, July 11, 2010

- 7:30 A.M to 8:00 A.M.Mass
- 8:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.General Meeting
- 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.Ladies Brunch
- 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.Financial Secretaries Meeting - if necessary
- 11:00 A.M. to 11:15 A.M.Break
- 11:15 A.M. to NoonWrap up and Dismissal

Saturday, July 10, 2010

- 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.State Officers Meeting
- 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.Directors & Chairman Meeting
- 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.Membership Meeting
- 10:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.Check-in/Registration
- 10:00 A.M. to NoonDistrict Deputy Meeting
- Noon to 12:45 P.M.Lunch (On Your Own)
- 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.General Meeting
Log Book/ Program
Book/Membership
- 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.Financial Secretaries Meeting
- 5:00 P.M to 6:30 P.M.Mass at the Cathedral
Installation of
State Officers and DD's
- 6:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.Family Buffet Style Dinner in Hotel**
- 7:30 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.Tootsie Roll Awards and
Free-Throw Contest
Awards Presentation

** State Council to host a Saturday evening buffet dinner **

\$20 for adults • \$10 kids 5 to 12 years old • kids under 5 FREE

Reservations needed and payment deadline July 5

The State Council is hosting a dinner in the hotel following Mass on Saturday evening. This is a two meat buffet dinner. Following dinner, the annual Tootsie Roll® awards and International Free-Throw Contest Champion awards will be presented. We need a head-count for this meal. If you wish to attend this dinner, please make your reservation by Tuesday, July 5, 2010 and send payment to:

State Warden Tony Hergott, 4008 27th St, Columbus, NE 68601

With Gratitude ... from our Worthy State Deputy Mike Conrad



Brother Knights and Families,

As I write my final letter as State Deputy of Nebraska there are a lot of emotions that I am feeling. Words cannot describe my most sincere appreciation for all of your support during all my years of serving the State, taking on the responsibility of the different chairmanships, climbing the ranks of officers, and now having had the opportunity to serve as your State Deputy.

First Year

A little more than two years ago I worked with our state's team of directors and chairmen. As a team we wanted to take the state into a new direction, to try and bring in new ideas along the way. I feel that we have elevated the state to a whole new level, from defending life to paying tribute to our Faith.

In my first year, we were instrumental in placing pro-life billboards in Omaha and assisted Lincoln area Knights to have one in their city. These billboards were placed in high traffic areas and were on display prior to the election. Our goal was to ask voters to consider pro-life beliefs before selecting the candidate they were backing.

Also during my first year, we honored our three Nebraska Bishops and dedicated our membership drive to their good names. As part of this program, there were several councils and individual Knights and spouses who were rewarded with a dinner with these Church leaders. Following dinner, each recipient was given a unique lapel pin that identified them as a qualifying member.

Second Year

As we were entering my second year, my team and I were going strong. July 2009 we placed a 4-D ultrasound machine in Life Choices in Kearney. Our Nebraska Jurisdiction was one of the first to take advantage of an available initiative as we partnered with Supreme on this project.

Today we are saving lives. The first lady who made the decision to keep her baby after seeing the hands, feet and face of her unborn child on our ultrasound machine gave birth to a beautiful baby girl on April 19, 2010.

For years to come, our gift will continue to save lives and we will be blessed as we witness the impact this ultrasound machine will have.

This gift has brought national and local attention to spotlight our state council as we defend life.

When you talk about defending life you can't help but think of the Virgin Mary. This last year we celebrated with hundreds at the Pershing Center, Lincoln, as we hosted the first ever Nebraska Knights of Columbus



Mary and Mike Conrad
at the 2010 State Convention Banquet

Marian Festival. We participated with special guests guiding us as we prayerfully paid tribute to Our Lady of Guadalupe. The emotional presentations by Lauren Bauer of Los Angeles and Monsignor Eduardo Chavez (Postulator for the Cause of Juan Diego) of Mexico City left everyone with a spiritual high that we carried into the Easter season.

State Convention

This past April, we rounded off the year with our annual state convention. Congratulations to all of the winners of the many program and membership awards that were presented. I am proud to say that there are very few jurisdictions that can compare our enthusiasm and dedication as witnessed by what we do for the Order. We were honored to welcome Supreme Director Logan Ludwig and his wife, Inez, as our guests. They expressed gratitude for our warm hospitality.

During the business meeting Sunday morning, the delegates helped secure the future of the Order and voted into office some of the best Brother Knights that I have ever known. I know you will give these leaders your continued support.

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This is an URGENT REMINDER to all councils: send in the proceeds from your 2010 drive soon. Send your proceeds so the money can be distributed to help those with intellectual disabilities. **The due date for award eligibility was June 1, 2010.** Awards will be presented during the Saturday evening meal (see page 5).

It is very important that you report (send in) all of the net proceeds from the drives no matter how insignificant the amount is. The money was raised to benefit the intellectually disabled. If the money from Tootsie Roll drives is not sent in, it jeopardizes the non profit status of the foundation and places councils keeping/operating on the proceeds at risk.

Send all Tootsie Roll proceeds (deduct the cost of the Tootsie Rolls only) to Matt and Connie Richardson, State Health Services Co-Directors:

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2. You cannot be reimbursed for any charitable donation your council has made using Tootsie Roll Funds prior to turning in the proceeds. You must still turn in all your proceeds, including the amount you may have already distributed yourself.
3. Please note that checks cannot be made to ESU units, public schools, councils, or individuals.
4. Check your council records. A number of checks sent to councils for distribution to their chosen charity have not yet cleared the bank. If you have checks that have not been distributed please do so immediately.



MIKE CONRAD, continued
Closing Thoughts

I want to express to all of you how deeply honored I am to have served as your State Deputy. Second only to my marriage and the birth of my children, this opportunity has been the single most memorable and fulfilling experience of my life. I hope and pray that I have served you well and that our state council has benefitted because of my service. I hope and pray that someday I am greeted at the gates of heaven by St. Peter and that he will take my hand and, with the words of my motto, welcome me by calling me a "Faithful Servant of Your Son". Thank you and may God bless each of you and your families.

Vivat Jesus,

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What is per capita?

Per capita is an assessment on every member of the Knights of Columbus in all jurisdictions. Only Disabled and Honorary Life members are excluded from this yearly per capita assessment.

Where does the money go?

This assessment is designed to assist the State Council in funding the programs, conventions, Courier, and the other expenses that are associated with running an organization like ours.

How much is it?

Your per capita invoice is received twice a fiscal year with the first due date in September and the second due date in March. The invoices are to be paid from your council's annual dues. As part of these dues, \$7.75 per member was assessed by the State Council and is your council's per capita billing.

Where does the assessed number come from?

The State Council uses, for both per capita billings, the number of members that each council has on Supreme's membership roster as of July 1st of that current fiscal year. This is another reason why it is important that your council's Financial Secretary accurately maintains and updates your membership records with Supreme.



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Nebraska State Deputy-elect Jim Haiar had quite a surprise during the 2010 State Convention in April. Jim and Linda's son, Nick, a member of the United States Air Force, returned to Omaha to join the family for his dad's special weekend. During this special weekend, Jim Haiar was elected State Deputy for the 2010-2012 term. Pictured (left to right): Jim's brother-in-law, Ed Mills; Jim's daughter Kim Kelly; Jim's wife, Linda; Jim holding granddaughter Avery Kelly; Jim's son, Nick Haiar; and Jim's sister, Mary Mills.

Greetings from Nebraska State Deputy-elect, Jim Haiar

To all my Brother Knights,

First of all, I would like to thank all of you for your vote of confidence in electing me as your next State Deputy. I am deeply grateful and look forward to the next two years.

I am writing this to you during the return trip from my initial State Deputy-elect training in New Haven, Connecticut, June 3-6. This important exercise included valuable direction and training, including Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's focus for our next year. I will be sharing these ideas at the Grand Knight seminar in July.

One of Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's challenges was for every council to perform one more charitable service project next year. Let's all see what we can do to meet this challenge.

As we close this fraternal year, please remember to extend a well deserved "thank you" to State Deputy Mike Conrad for all his dedication and service to our great state.

Fraternally,

Jim N Haiar
Jim Haiar, Nebraska State Deputy-elect

Prayer for our Troops

Lord God, Almighty Father,
creator of mankind and author of peace,
as we are ever mindful of the cost paid
for the liberty we possess,
we ask you to bless the members
of our armed forces.

Give them courage, hope, and strength.
May they ever experience your firm support,
gentle love, and compassionate healing.

Be their power and protector,
leading them from darkness to light.

To you be all glory, honor and praise,
now and forever.

AMEN.

Taken from the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops Website:
<http://www.usccb.org/liturgy/prayertroops.shtml>

News from the Swanson Agency

Pictured (left to right):
Nebraska State Deputy
Mike Conrad and wife
Mary Conrad;
Bill Buchta (back row)
Swanson Agency
Agent of the Year and
wife Nancy Buchta (in
front holding award);
Supreme Guest Logan
Ludwig and wife
Inez Ludwig.



Bill Buchta Named Swanson Agency 2009 Agent of the Year

Agent of the Year

Bill Buchta of Grand Island was named Agent of the Year for 2009 for the Swanson Agency (Central/Western Nebraska) at the recent Knights of Columbus state convention held in Kearney.

In addition, Bill was the **top Long Term Care producer in the Order**, outperforming over 1,200 Knights of Columbus field agents in the Order. **Congratulations, Bill!**

Joe Carranza of Kearney was named Agent of the Year runner-up.

Agent of the Month

The following Knights of Columbus field agents earned Agent of the Month honors in the Swanson Agency: **Tim Nowak** of Ogallala earned Agent of the Month honors for March, April, and May.

"MVP" Award

Tim Nowak of Ogallala also won the "MVP" award at the Home Office training which he completed in May. Home Office training is made up of agents from all over the country who go to New Haven, CT for additional training. **Congratulations, Tim!**

Questions?

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News from the Pfeifer Agency



Pictured (left to right):
Supreme Guest
Logan Ludwig;
Mary Conrad and
Nebraska State
Deputy Mike Conrad;
Pfeifer Agency
Agent of the Year
John Stoeckinger;
Inez Ludwig, wife of
Supreme Guest
Logan Ludwig.

John Stoeckinger Named Pfeifer Agency 2009 Agent of the Year

Agent of the Year

John Stoeckinger of Lincoln was named Agent of the Year for 2009 for the Pfeifer Agency (Eastern Nebraska) at the recent Knights of Columbus state convention held in Kearney.

Also, John outperformed over 1,200 Knights of Columbus field agents nation-wide to be ranked #5 in the Order .
Congratulations, John!

In the Agent of the Year race, **Doug Kelly** of Omaha was runner-up and **Neil Pfeifer** of Norfolk was 2nd runner-up.



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Supreme Knights Club

Agents from Nebraska who earned their way into the Supreme Knights Club are:

- **John Stoeckinger** of Lincoln (14th year)
 - **Neil Pfeifer** of Norfolk (13th year)
 - **Doug Kelly** of Omaha (6th year)
 - **General Agent Kevin Pfeifer** of Grand Island (23rd year).
- Supreme Knights Club agents represent the top 5% of Knights of Columbus insurance agents company wide.

Agents of the Month

The following Knights of Columbus field agents earned Agent of the Month honors in the Pfeifer Agency:

- March – **Neil Pfeifer** of Norfolk
- April – **Kevin Weber** of Gretna
- May – **John Stoeckinger** of Lincoln

Fraternalist of the Year

J Krawczyk of Omaha was awarded the Fraternalist of the Year for Nebraska at the state convention in Kearney recently. Mike Conrad, State Deputy, selected the winner and presented the award. **Congratulations, J Krawczyk!**

Questions?

Interested in learning more about a career helping Catholic families?

Please contact: **Kevin Pfeifer**, General Agent
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Auction Donors, Bidders, Buyers, and Generosity of Annual Donors Boost Endowment Fund

Written by John Smith, KCNSC Endowment Fund Director

The 2010 Nebraska Knights of Columbus State Convention was a great success. Thank you to Mike Conrad and all the state of ficers and dir ectors and chairmen for putting together such a fine event. Good luck to Jim Haiar and the newly elected officers and all the new directors and chairmen. We all value your dedication and efforts guiding the Nebraska Knights of Columbus.

The Knights Foundation Silent and Live Auctions were once again a big success. I'd like to thank all who donated items for this fund raiser. Also, many thanks to all bidders and buyers at the convention. We auctioned off some really

nice items and were able to raise \$4,395.

The Foundation continues to gr ow. This past year, we have gained back some of our loss fr om decreased interest, but still have a long way to go.

Thank you to all gener ous contributors. The names of all donors for the past year are listed on the opposite page. We look forwar d to even mor e investors in the Nebraska Knights of Columbus Foundation for this year.

Our fiscal year ends on June 30, 2010. If you wish to be a sustaining member, please send your donation well before the end of the month.

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**SUNDAY JULY 25, 2010
HEBRON SPORTS COMPLEX**

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Knights, Squires, and family members
(Note: at least half of the male players on each team
must be Knights or Squires.)

10:00 AM Mass • Sacred Heart Church, 440 N. 3rd St., Hebron

12:00 noon • Game One

Registration Fee: \$50.00 • Make checks payable to Liberty Council 1904. Proceeds go to the Nebraska Special Olympics.
Please include a phone number and / or e-mail address on the registration form.

Registration due by July 20.

**Registration must be mailed to: LELAND WEBER • 6569 ROAD X, BRUNING, NE 68322
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Room reservation deadline August 6, 2009. Rooms will be released after that date.

All rooms will be required to be guaranteed with a credit card or advance deposit.

Cancellations must be made prior to 6:00pm the day of arrival.

GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM ALSO ONLINE AT: www.nebraskakofc.org
\$95.00 per golfer payable to the Knights of Columbus • includes, golf, cart, and prizes.

Please submit entry form, with fee by August 11, 2010.

Questions? Contact John Oltman, State Athletics Chairman • 402.344.4975 • omahadad1@cox.net

2010 Nebraska State Council Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament ENTRY FORM

INDIANHEAD GOLF CLUB

4100 HUSKER HIGHWAY, GRAND ISLAND, NE 68803 • (308) 381-4653

Saturday, August 21 - 11:00 AM • Sunday, August 22 - 8:00 AM

(There is a new format this year and all players will play as listed below)

\$95.00 PER PLAYER for both days (includes golf, cart, and prizes).

NOTE: Players must be current members of the Knights of Columbus.

Please have your current membership card available at sign-in!

PLEASE PRINT

Name Phone

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1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

Would you be interested in a steak fry at the club? YES NO

NO OUTSIDE LIQUOR/ ALCOHOL PERMITTED

Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus. Fee required with this entry form.

SEND THIS FORM AND YOUR CHECK TO:

John Oltman - State Athletic Chairman • 1329 South 36th Street, Omaha, NE 68105-1849

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CALL:

(402) 344-4975 • cell (402) 981-8796

No phone entries accepted

ALL ENTRIES WITH PAYMENT DUE BY AUGUST 11, 2010 • You may reproduce this form as needed.

Memento Mori

May the angels come to greet you



September 2009

David M. Tynan, Council 4434

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Even Supreme Reads *Courier*!

If you don't send us information and photos about the things you council and members are doing, we cannot publish them. All articles/photos will be added to "Around the State" online at nebraskakofc.org.

When we have the space or a story is of special interest, we may also publish it in *Courier*. Supreme visits the Website and receives many copies of *Courier*. They occasionally pick up stories from these two sources. Recently, Supreme published an account of Chris and Bob Wolf's quest for the Gold Star License Plates that was featured in the 2010 March-April *Courier*. Find it online in the May 2010 issue of *Military Knights in Action*.

Looking for “Around the State”?

“Around the State” is now on the Nebraska Knights of Columbus Website www.nebraskakofc.org.

This way, photos can be featured in full color and all can be used.

Items appearing on the Website receive the same amount of publicity points for awards as they have in the past for appearing in *Courier*.

If you have any questions, email us at nekcweb@cox.net or knightscourier@cox.net.

Be sure to continue sending your council photos and articles.

IMPORTANT DATES

FORM NO.	DATE	FORM/EVENT	TO
JUNE 2010			
	Jun 1	Tootsie Roll Drive Proceeds Due See page 7	Matt & Connie Richardson State Health Co-Directors
	Jun 25	State Directory Updates	Ray Guggenberger, State Executive Secretary
ABC/XXX	Jun 30	Application for Vocations Support /RSVP Refund	Supreme Council
SP-7	Jun 30	Columbian Award Application**	Supreme Council Cc: Ray Guggenberger, State Executive Secretary
JULY 2010			
	July 10-11	Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, District Deputy Seminar, Grand Island	
	July 18-23	Special Olympics, Lincoln	
AUGUST 2010			
365	Aug 1	Service Program Personnel Report**	Supreme Council District Deputy Ray Guggenberger, State Executive Secretary
1295	Aug 15	Semi-Annual Report of Audit*	Supreme Council District Deputy Ray Guggenberger, State Executive Secretary
	Aug 21-22	State Golf Tournament, Indianhead, Grand Island	
SEPTEMBER 2010			
2629	Sep 1	Report of K of C Round Table	Supreme Council Ray Guggenberger, State Executive Secretary
	Sep 1	First Log Book Submission	Program Director Chuck Kozisek
	Sep 1	Supreme Per Capita Payment	Supreme Council
	Sep 1	Nebraska Per Capita Payment	State Secretary Butch Kreikemeier

**May be filed electronically on Supreme Web site.

INSIDE ...

The 105th Annual Knights of Columbus State Convention is now history. New officers were elected and many awards were given out. Pictured at the convention are District Master Howard Gaffney and Bishop Fabian Bruskwitz from the Lincoln Diocese.



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128th Supreme Convention in Washington, D.C., August 3-5, 2010 Nebraska Delegation Chosen During State Convention

The 2010 Delegates to the Supreme Convention in Washington D.C. were chosen during the State Convention in April. (Not listed as shown in photo and titled as they will be in August 2010.) They are: State Deputy James Haiar, Immediate Past State Deputy Mike Conrad, State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger, Gary Wesely, Stan Kuta, Gene Cihacek, Thomas Werner, Jeff Chubb, and John Schroll.