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Above: State Deputy Lou Gasper (bottom row, 3rd from right) with ICC Council Award Recipients after the Awards Ceremony in Kearney, April 27, 2018

Far right: ICC Champions - Fr. John P. Brock Council 7034, Valley, Grand Knight Vern Ordmeier and wife, Rita.

Right: George Nussrallah Ceremonial Award winner Bob and Chris Wolf, 2nd and 3rd from right. First Lady Carole and State Deputy Lou Gasper with Ceremonials Cochairs Thomas Schmidt (behind Chris) and Larry Reed, PSD, far right.



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Words from our State Deputy

Brother Knights and Families,

Thank you for putting your faith and trust in me for another year. Both Carole and I are humbled and it is an honor to serve you as the State Deputy. We will continue to do our best to represent all of you.

It is an amazing time to be part of the largest Catholic Family Fraternal Organization in the World! We Knights and families should be proud of all of our evangelization efforts in our parishes and communities and that we have the opportunity to grow the Order as Father Michael McGivney envisioned back in 1882. Thanks to each of you, my Brother Knights, for fulfilling the duties and dreams of Fr. Michael J. McGivney. You continue to inspire me.

At the 113th Annual Nebraska State Convention in Kearney April 27-29, 2018, the State recognized a record number of councils and individuals for their amazing accomplishments throughout the fraternal year. While handing out awards, I was impressed as I listened to how each council put their faith into action through the many different service programs in their parishes and communities. While I hope each of you had a memorable and spiritually enriching convention experience, it is important to remember that there is still much work to be done. I call on each council to finish this fraternal year strong and start our next fraternal year even stronger. We need to remember to invite that eligible Catholic man and his family into our family; it is our duty as an evangelizer and a Knight.

Important Changes from Supreme

We strongly encourage all councils to send at least one leader to the Leadership Training, July 14-15, 2018 in Grand Island at the Ramada Midtown Conference Center. We know that all those who attend will take new and fresh ideas back to their councils.

This meeting is very important because Supreme has changed the formatting from six pillars - "Surge with Service" - to four pillars - "Faith in Action."

We will also have the Financial Secretary Coordinators there for training, and Financial Secretaries are encouraged to bring their laptops.

I assure you that all those attending will learn something new and leave re-energized, refreshed, and spiritually uplifted.

Through the "Building the Domestic Church" program we are all called to help with the "New Evangelization" in order to combat the many challenges the Church faces today and to work with our priests to help strengthen our parishes and the Christian family life within our communities. I look forward to the opportunity to work with each and every one of you and your families in the coming year.

At this time, I call on you to rededicate yourselves to better serve your Church and your communities and to stand in solidarity with our Holy Father, bishops, and priests. Always remember that *you can make a difference*. Your success is the success of Nebraska and of the Order!

If at any time you need help, do not hesitate to call. We are here to serve you. I take each and every one of you with me in my thoughts and prayers. Thank you for all you do to serve the State and the Order.

"Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us"

Vivat Jesus,

Lou Gasper, State Deputy



Words from our State Chaplain

On Fathers . . . Divine, Human and Spiritual

This year, June 17 is the well-known civic observance - Father's Day. Father's Day is a celebration honoring fathers and celebrating fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. In the Catholic world it has been celebrated on March 19 - St. Joseph's Day - since the Middle Ages.

For Catholics we celebrate fatherhood in at least three ways: the paternalism of God the Father, the life and love of our earthly fathers, and the witness and sacrifice of our spiritual fathers - our parish priests.

How do you understand God the Father in your life? There are descriptors that we assign to Him - primarily that He is eternal and infinite. There are attributes that further refine our notion of God: Holy, Unchanging, All-powerful, All-present, All-wise, All-knowing, Simple, Self-existent, Self-sufficient, Immaterial, Good, Love, Gracious, All-merciful, Just, Sovereign, and Free.

God the Father: I am sure that there are many more ways that we can describe our God. I would like to focus on one, **that God is love.** The very nature of God is love. We take our understanding of God from the five literary works of St. John in the New Testament: the *Gospel of John*, the *Book of Revelation*, and the *First, Second, and Third Pastoral Letters of St. John*. The one focus in all of St. John's works is the simplest of English sentences - "God is love," a subject, verb and predicate. Think of the implications of this sentence. If I were to ask you, 'have you ever loved in your life?' you would say, 'absolutely.' If I were then to ask you to put that experience of love into words, I believe that most of us would be hard-pressed in finding words adequate to express that incredible encounter. Perhaps St. Paul, in his *Hymn of Love (First Letter to the Corinthians Chapter 13)* comes as close as anyone to adequately express what love means in our lives. Also, Pope Francis in the first seven chapters of his post-synodal apostolic exhortation. *Amoris laetitia* parses, St. Paul's *Hymn of Love* in ways that are exquisite and moving. His exposé of Paul's hymn of love brings an understanding of love as the nature of God that is new and refreshing.

Therefore, in my very simple understanding of God, I believe that is what heaven will be. By that I mean, if God is love and God is in heaven, therefore heaven will be an infinite and eternal loving relationship that can never ever be fully experienced or realized. Take your best human loving relationship and multiply that an infinite number of times and that might come close to beginning to understand who God is and what our relationship will be with Him in heaven. It is somewhat like taking a drink out of an open fire hydrant.

Our human fathers: I believe all of us love our human fathers, whether they be living or deceased. Very likely we take our notion of our Heavenly Father from the attributes and the virtues that define our human fathers. First and foremost, our human fathers emulate our heavenly Father insofar as they - along with our mothers - are givers of life. That is why human love mirrors divine love because love becomes so great that it becomes life-giving. God had no need to create us nor does He have need of our praise. It is solely out of the immensity of His love that God poured forth into creation and human life. This is the same in married life - that love becomes so great that it pours forth into life.



Fr. Kenneth Borowiak
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We think of the strength in the virtues of our fathers; we contemplate their guiding hands, their hard work, their example, their many sacrifices, their wisdom, and their help.

God the Father gave up His only Son, Jesus Christ, so that we might be saved through Him, and thus, provide us an example of the very vocation of fatherhood. Fathers are the leaders of their families, and it is well-known when the father is absent or not a leader, very likely the family will suffer because of it.

Fathers sacrifice their lives for their families. They do this by:

1. Being the spiritual leader and guardian of their families.
2. Praying for and with their families, making sure they attend Mass every Sunday.
3. Being a courageous witness to the Gospel.
4. Providing care and support for their families.
5. Serving as an example of goodness and truth.
6. Leading with courage and accountability.

The role of the father within the family is indispensable and necessary. I pray and ask that all fathers who are reading this be an example to their wives and children. Be that role model that they need. Allow chivalry to exist and flourish. Allow your children to see you on your knees in prayer. Make sure that Mass and the other sacraments and the reading of Scripture and daily prayer are a central and foundational part of their lives and your life as a family. Remember especially what Pope Benedict XVI called the parable of the two sons, Luke 15: 11-32. Love must always be tempered with mercy.

Our spiritual fathers - our parish priests: In the five years of his papacy, Pope Francis has reminded priests - and rightfully so - of their God-given dignity, responsibility, and their calling as servants of God and His people.

Undoubtedly, most of us have priests who were very impactful in our lives - and likely most of us have a favorite priest. These are men called by God from among us, to live among us, to serve us, to be witnesses and teachers and to love us.

Calling All Knights of Columbus Leaders!

Annual Leadership Training Seminar, July 14-15, 2018

(Formerly known as Grand Knights, District Deputies and Financial Secretaries Seminar)

Mike Schaeffer, Nebraska State Program Director
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Brother Knights, your Council Officers need to attend the Leadership Training in Grand Island July 14-15. Supreme is replacing the "Surge with Service" program with "Faith in Action", so there will be a lot of new information handed out by our State Program Directors and Chairmen during this year's session. You'll receive the tools your council needs to have a very successful fraternal year.

At least one Officer from each council should attend this crucial training, and we'd like to see every Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, and Financial Secretary in Grand Island. If an Officer from your Council cannot attend, your District Deputy will bring back this vital information.

Take this opportunity to meet your State Officers, Directors, and Chairmen. It's your chance to ask questions and hear potential solutions to the program or membership challenges facing your Council.

It is also important to remember that our fraternal year didn't end after the State Convention and that there is still time to earn Star Council! Let's offer every eligible Catholic man the opportunity to join the Knights because their family, parish and community will all win. If your Council is close to earning Star Council, enlist the support of your District Deputy, Insurance Agent, Pastor and our entire State Team to help you achieve it.

With your leadership, we can meet our state membership goal for the third year in a row. Let's show our State Deputy how much we appreciate the hard work and dedication that he, his state team, and family have given to the Nebraska Knights of Columbus.

I want to thank our Worthy State Deputy for giving me the opportunity to serve as your State Program Director. I've learned a lot this past year and look forward to serving you this fraternal year. I firmly believe that **"Strong Council Programs Drive Membership!"**



A Special Invitation for all Ladies

While our husbands are in meetings during the Leadership Training weekend in Grand Island, you are welcome to join me at the Moonlight Ridge Vineyard

Saturday afternoon between 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

If you would like to carpool, please meet in the hotel lobby at 1:00 p.m.

There is no cost for this event unless you would like to purchase wine tastings or bottles of wine.

I will provide snacks.

– Carole Gasper –



Maps, directions, and more information will be available at check-in.
Visit: <http://moonlightridgevineyard.com>

Leadership Training, July 13-15, 2018

Ramada Midtown Conference Center, Grand Island

**We'll be
providing
important
information
for the
upcoming
year!**

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

**Ramada Midtown
Conference Center
2503 S Locust
Grand Island, NE**

RESERVATIONS 308.384.1330

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NEW NEBRASKA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DIRECTORIES

Each council will receive two (2) Nebraska Directories, one (1) each for the Grand Knight and the Financial Secretary. There will be NO extra copies available for sale.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

Enjoy special "early bird" prices by purchasing your first assorted box before September 25, 2018.

They will also be available during Leadership Training the weekend of July 14-15.

See page 8 for details.

AGENDA

Friday, July 13, 2018

7:00 AM to 8:00 AM	Mass in Hotel (Islander II)
8:30 AM to 4:00 PM	State Officers Meeting (Islander I)
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM	State Family Dinner (Council 11363, 4130 Cannon Rd)
8:00 PM to 9:30 PM	Program Directors/Chairmen Meeting (Islander II)
8:00 PM to 9:30 PM	Membership Directors Meeting (Islander I)
8:00 PM to 9:30 PM	District Deputy Training (Executive Governor)

Saturday, July 14, 2018

7:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Registration / Check-In
10:00 AM to 11:45 AM	District Deputies'/Grand Knights' Training
10:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Financial Secretaries' Training
11:45 AM to 1:00 PM	Lunch (On Your Own)
1:00 PM to 4:00 PM	General Meeting/ICC Reports/Program Book/Membership
1:00 PM to 4:00 PM	Financial Secretaries' Meeting
1:30 PM to 3:00 PM	Ladies' Tour of Moonlight Ridge Vineyard Meet in the lobby by 1:00 PM if you want to carpool. More information will be provided at check-in See page 4
5:00 PM to 6:30 PM	Mass/Installation of State Officers/District Deputies at St. Mary's Cathedral, 112 South Cedar St, Grand Island
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Buffet Style Dinner in Hotel - Reservation Required

Sunday, July 15, 2018

7:00 AM to 8:00 AM	Mass (Hotel, Islander II)
8:30 AM to 11:30 AM	General Meeting (Program & Membership)
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Financial Secretaries' Meeting (if necessary)
11:30 AM to Noon	Wrap Up & Dismissal

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Training Registration, Ladies' Program, and Saturday Meal Reservations Now Made Online

Brother Knights, we look forward to serving your needs at the upcoming Leadership Training Program July 14 & 15 in Grand Island. Registration will be conducted 100% online for this weekend. Type the following address into your Internet Explorer, Chrome, etc. and make your selections.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/knights-of-columbus-2018-leadership-training-program-council-leadership-tickets-46508062868>

The website requires a password which was mailed to your council in the informational packets. You may also email the coordinators to receive the password.

1. Please register each participant from your council attending training.
2. Select the appropriate number of Saturday evening meal tickets.
The meal will be at the Ramada Midtown, the hotel of the Training Program.
3. There is also a Ladies' Program Saturday afternoon (**see page 4**) at no charge.
For planning purposes, select the appropriate number of tickets for that event.

**If you have difficulty registering, please contact Rob Ostdiek
402-806-8552 (phone/text), or email rob.ostdiek1989@gmail.com**

I will assist you in navigating the registration, or if necessary, complete the registration manually. This is the least desired method, however. We do desire that you attend and learn with your Brother Knights and will help assure that you are registered.

Encourage Catholic Men to Share their Gifts Invite Them to Join the Knights of Columbus

Mark Dwyer, Nebraska Membership Director
402.614.2479 home | 402.843.6167 cell | membership@nebraskakofc.org

“Spring has sprung. The grass is riz. I wonder where the flowers is?” (Unknown)

Above is an amusing little rhyme my dad would recite about this time every year. After what seemed to be a never-ending winter, this spring’s arrival felt like meeting a dear old friend.

A few weeks ago, we celebrated a couple of traditional spring events, graduation and Mother’s Day. A few days prior to that I had the privilege of attending award ceremonies at West Point and Elgin where we presented 15 honor cords and Mother’s Day certificates to the young men at Guardian Angels and Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High Schools who joined the Knights of Columbus this past school year. So, thanks to the high school seniors and everyone across the state who have joined our charitable organization this past year. You Guys Rock!!

Continuing on with the subject of school, I’ve had the privilege of being part of an Elgin Pope John student group that provides music for the liturgies at PJ’s weekly Mass. Helping in this music ministry has been part of my life over the past 15 years, and as a student at Pope John, I played and sing for our Masses 45 years ago.

But now, in bringing my dad back into this story line, I’d like to tell you about an episode several years prior to my high school years. It just so happens it was on a warm and sunny Sunday afternoon when I thought there were far more important things to do than learning to play the guitar. As a young boy of 10, I was struggling in playing a particular chord and was threatening to give up on the entire enterprise, but my father insisted that I remain in that room and practice for another half hour, and from that point on, to set aside a half hour every day to practice my guitar.

Even though my dad has been gone for 15 years, I often think of him and thank him for insisting that I continue to practice that day, and because of his strong encouragement, Julie and I have been able to share our music with the community and parishes in the area for these many years. We continue to sing for weddings, funerals, wakes, and in the past year, have been asked to entertain at a few of our local nursing homes. What a gift and a blessing it has been to us and our family, and is in large part, due to my dad’s encouragement.

So, in that vein, I’m asking all of you to continue inviting our Catholic men to join the Knights of Columbus. Find out what their talents and interests are and encourage them to share their gifts with the people of their parishes and communities. I can guarantee you it will be a blessing to them and their families as well.

In these last few weeks, I’ve enjoyed visiting with the Grand Knights across the State who are trying to achieve Star Council. Good luck with your endeavors. I would also encourage any Grand Knights who haven’t recruited a new member to please do so by the end of our fraternal year. Also, if you haven’t submitted your Round Table Reports (Form #2629), you still have until June 30th.

What an honor it is working with such a great group of Catholic men. Thank you all for helping us continue to sustain positive membership growth in the State of Nebraska.

Financial Secretaries’ Workshop During Leadership Training in Grand Island

Saturday, July 14, 2018 - 10:00 AM to 11:45 AM - Financial Secretaries’ Workshop

Sunday, July 15, 2018 - 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM - Financial Secretaries’ Workshop (if necessary)

The State FS Training Coordinators will conduct a workshop at the Leadership Training in Grand Island July 14 - 15, 2018. The workshop will consist of a question and answer session and demonstration of Member Management. Questions that are unique to your council may be sent to **Mitch O’Neill** or **Mike Vaughn** at fscoordinator@nebraskakofc.org. **Please bring your laptop to the training and an extra power cord to the training.**



Be sure to follow the Nebraska Knights of Columbus on Twitter and Facebook and at www.nebraskakofc.org

June 15, 2018 - Deadline For Buck-A-Month Contributions

Brian & Mary Jo Hamik, Nebraska Culture of Life Directors | life@nebraskakofc.org
402.379.1665 home | 402.841.2605 cell | 824 Volkman Dr., Norfolk, NE 68701

Important Upcoming Date:

June 15, 2018 is the new deadline for getting Buck-A-Month contributions into the Culture of Life Foundation. You are to send all Buck-A-Month contributions to the Culture of Life Foundation. Fifty percent of these funds will be returned to your council to be used for your parish and community Culture of Life projects and activities. Refund checks are distributed at the Grand Knights Seminar in July.

For complete details visit <http://www.nebraskakofc.org> and click on the Rose and follow the links for Buck-A-Month. Contributions are to be sent to Brian Hamik, 824 Volkman Dr., Norfolk, NE 68701.

2018 ART CONTEST WINNERS

1st Place (see right) - Claire Quattrocchi - \$200
St. Vincent DePaul Catholic School, Omaha - \$500

2nd Place Bridget McGill - \$100
St. Wenceslaus School, Omaha - \$250

3rd Place Mia Wiese - \$50
Grand Island Central Catholic School
Grand Island - \$150



Fathers - by State Chaplain Fr. Kenneth Borowiak - continued from page 3

I recall several priests from my youth who cut a wide swath – priests whom I respected, admired and loved. My relationships with priests have only intensified now that I am a priest and realize how much I truly owe to the men who have been my mentors, spiritual guides, contemporaries and friends. Priests come in all sizes and shapes, likes, backgrounds, talents and abilities, characteristics and attributes. Some are academicians, some are athletes, some are great preachers, others good managers, still others counselors - but all servants of God - called from among men, to serve us, God's people. I assure you, all of us priests know our limitations and wonder why God called us and not men who are more talented and capable. We are sojourners with you – God's people. I hope you know how much priests appreciate the support and guidance and love that you give us as your parish priests.

I believe that all priests know that we are men, who with our particular history - with all of its blessings and wounds - try to do the very best we can in being a disciple of the Lord.

We strive, with the Lord's help, to do the best we can in announcing and preaching the Gospel, and being available, as servants, to our people. We are keenly aware that we strive to be like the high priest – Jesus - God and man - whom we try to emulate to the best of our ability. We try not to be authoritative, not just to be functionaries, but rather pastors who love our people and are available for people at all times and in all circumstances as brothers and fathers.

Thus, this Father's Day, remember your parish priest and wish him a happy Father's Day. Thank him for what he has done for you and your families. Send him a hand written note - it is a lost art – but is a very much appreciated expression of gratitude and love.

May your Father's Day be one that calls to mind God our Father, our human fathers, and our spiritual fathers - our parish priests.

A PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN FATHERS

- Author Unknown -

Heavenly Father,
you entrusted your Son Jesus,
the child of Mary,
to the care of Joseph,
an earthly father.
Bless all fathers as they care
for their families.
Give them strength and wisdom,
tenderness and patience;
support them in the work
they have to do,
protecting those who look to them,
as we look to you
for love and salvation,
through Jesus Christ
our rock and defender.
Amen.

"Keep Christ in Christmas" Cards at "Early Bird" Prices!

Enjoy special "early bird" prices by purchasing your first assorted box before September 25, 2018

AVAILABLE AT THE JULY LEADERSHIP TRAINING IN GRAND ISLAND!

Take a case of assorted cards back to your home council at these great "early bird" prices.

Then order more at the regular price for your council to sell.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE PRICES BELOW!

Our "early bird special" (ENGLISH version) ONE CASE ONLY PER COUNCIL - contains 35 boxes of cards + 2 magnets and 25 color brochures showing the different card designs.

ORDERED BEFORE 9-25-2018

Per case - \$140 plus \$18 shipping/handling (totals \$158.00)

ORDERED AFTER 9-25-2018

Per case - \$174.50 plus \$18 shipping/handling (totals \$192.50)

EACH CASE CAN BE SOLD FOR \$323.50

Our "early bird special" (SPANISH version) ONE CASE ONLY PER COUNCIL - contains 24 boxes of cards + 2 magnets.

ORDERED BEFORE 9-25-2018

Per case - \$75.00 plus \$11.00 shipping/handling (totals \$86.00)

ORDERED AFTER 9-25-2018

Per case - \$86.00 plus \$11.00 shipping/handling (totals \$97.00)

EACH CASE CAN BE SOLD FOR \$142.50

ORDER ADDITIONAL BOXES

After you purchase an initial case of assorted cards, you can order more of the individual boxes of cards that sell well for your council. The cost varies with each different type of card. See the order form for the shipping and handling charges for the individual boxes.

OTHER ETHNIC VARIETIES AVAILABLE

There is also an additional variety of ethnic cards that can be purchased (i.e. Tagalog, Native American, African-American, Polish, Italian, Ukrainian, and French). See the order form.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR PURCHASE

Other products you can purchase to "Keep Christ in Christmas" are items such as Advent wreaths, yard signs, lapel pins, bumper stickers, ornaments, car magnets, Christmas seals, and other cards that are not in the original box of assorted cards. See the order form online.

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

QUESTIONS?

Contact: Mark Main, State Church Director
402.475.0715 home | 402.416.6458 cell
church@nebraskakofc.org

"Keep Christ in Christmas" order form and information is available online at www.nebraskakofc.org/resources/pdfforms/KCIC.pdf

News from State Deputy Lou Gasper:

On the top of page 9 in this issue, Don and Terri Hypse have announced that the State Officers have appointed Jim Hubschman as the new State Intellectual Disabilities and Health Services Director effective July 1, 2018. The State Officers thank Jim for accepting this responsibility.

Please join me in welcoming Jim Hubschman to the leadership team of the Nebraska Knights of Columbus.

At this time, we also welcome Don and Terri Hypse to the new position of Assistant Program Directors. We thank Don and Terri for all they have done to serve the Knights in our great state over these past several years.

We look forward to working with Jim and Don and Terri in their new positions for the State of Nebraska Knights of Columbus.

Nebraska State Council Vocations Fund Lottery Winners

Mary Feda - \$2,500.00	John Vanderbeek - \$1,000.00
Council 11879 - \$750.00	Ralph Gors - \$500.00

Request for Funds Form Now Available Online

Don & Terri Hypse, Nebraska Health Services & Intellectual Disabilities Directors | health@nebraskakofc.org
 402.375.4574 home | 402.369.0814 cell | 1019 Sherman St, Wayne, NE 68787

Funds Totalling \$42,680 Given to Organizations

The Intellectual Disabilities Foundation met during the Nebraska State Knights of Columbus Convention in April. In a change from previous years, organizations eligible to receive money using funds raised in October's Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (formerly the Tootsie Roll Drive) were asked to submit a request for funds form. This change ensures that the Foundation is providing financial assistance where it is needed.

The Board of Directors authorized funds totaling \$42,680 to organizations including Special Olympics of Nebraska, Villa Marie School, and S.M.I.L.E. Money for these requests comes from the share of the proceeds that the state receives from each council.

Funding requests can be made at any time during the year. The required request for funds form is available on the state website at nebraskakofc.org. Just look for the Tootsie Roll®.

New Health Services & Intellectual Disabilities Director

Beginning July 1, 2018, Jim Hubschman of Ft. Calhoun's St. John the Baptist Council 10305 will take over as Health Services Director and Director of the Nebraska Knights of Columbus Intellectual Disabilities Foundation. He will have information packets regarding this year's Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities fundraising drive ready for all council Grand Knights at the Leadership Training July 14-15, 2018, in Grand Island.

Remember the Important Things this Summer

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Summer is finally here after a somewhat extended Nebraska winter! Backyard BBQ, family get togethers and summer vacation plans fill every ones calendars. This time of year can be perfect for spending quality time with our families, which busy schedules and extra curricular activities can make a challenge. How about this year make an extra effort to carve out time to spend together? Now is the perfect time to reach out to our seminarians and invite them to a BBQ or a parish picnic.


I-80 Collar Series, June 17

A great opportunity for entertaining the family and supporting our clergy and seminarians is coming up at the I-80 Collar Series. A fun, family friendly ball game consisting of two teams of priests (Lincoln diocese and Archdiocese of Omaha) competing in a friendly rivalry will take place on June 17, 2018, at Lincoln's, Haymarket Park. All proceeds support vocations. This is a great way to support priests and seminarians while enjoying a classic summertime activity.

Totus Tuus

Also please check your local parish for Totus Tuus dates. Totus Tuus provides a week of faith-filled fun that helps our children grow in their faith through classes, activities and daily Mass. This is also an excellent opportunity for kids to get to know our seminarians since many are serving on Totus Tuus teams.

On a final, but important note, while I encourage you to take part in these (and other) activities, please don't let summer's numerous distractions keep you away: away from Mass, away from Holy Hour or away from daily prayer. We CAN have a wonderful summer without neglecting what is important!



NEBRASKA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PRESENTS

I-80 COLLAR SERIES

A SOFTBALL MATCH BETWEEN PRIESTS OF THE LINCOLN DIOCESE AND ARCHDIOCESE OF OMAHA

SUNDAY, JUNE 17TH **HAYMARKET PARK**


GATES OPEN **4:30 PM** | FIRST PITCH **6:00 PM**

TAILGATING BEGINS AT 1:00PM

LINCOLN

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All proceeds from ticket sales will assist in promoting vocations and religious life in the Archdiocese of Omaha and Diocese of Lincoln

Congratulations 2018 State Convention Award Winners



*Far left:
District Deputy of the Year, Craig Vavak,
receives the award from State Deputy
Lou Gasper and First Lady Carole.*

*Right:
Knight of the Year, Greg Yochum,
St. Isidore Council 12086, Columbus,
receives the award from State Deputy
Lou Gasper and First Lady Carole.*

PUBLICITY

Div 1 - 1st Place	4434	Fairbury, Fairbury
Div 2 - 1st Place	10184	Fr. Clement Bracht, Omaha
Div 3 - 1st Place	11001	Blessed Sacrament, Lincoln
Div 4 - 1st Place	6192	Columban, Bellevue

Div 1 - 2nd Place	11824	St. Ann, Doniphan
Div 2 - 2nd Place	10412	St. Francis Borgia, Blair
Div 3 - 2nd Place	8579	Fr. William Kearns, Wayne
Div 4 - 2nd Place	1123	Pius XII, Hastings

VOCATIONS

Support of Vocations

Fundraisers for Vocations	10047, Fr. John V. Wallace, Gretna
Annual Father's Day Bike Ride	9563, Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln

ON-GOING PROJECTS

St. Patrick's Church Work	11312, St. Isaac Jogues, Lincoln
Festival of Hope	7714, Pope John Paul I, Superior

CULTURE OF LIFE

Supreme Service	7034	Fr. John P. Brock, Valley
State Service	10305	St. John the Baptist, Fort Calhoun

CULTURE OF LIFE ART CONTEST

1st Place	10795	St. Vincent DePaul Council, Omaha
2nd Place	10909	St. Wenceslaus, Omaha
3rd Place	11363	Resurrection, Grand Island

ONE ROSE - ONE LIFE

Div 1 - 1st Place	10815	Our Lady of Guadalupe, Omaha
Div 2 - 1st Place	10894	St. Joseph, Springfield
Div 3 - 1st Place	10305	St. John the Baptist, Fort Calhoun
Div 4 - 1st Place	10108	St. Robert Bellarmine, Omaha
Div 1 - 2nd Place	9939	Gene Day, Ponca
Div 2 - 2nd Place	10184	Fr. Clement Bracht, Omaha
Div 3 - 2nd Place	11879	St. Matthew, Bellevue
Div 4 - 2nd Place	10909	St. Wenceslaus, Omaha

SPECIAL PROJECT

Haiti Mission Trip	7740	St. John Vianney, Omaha
I-80 Collar Series	13576	Msgr. David R. Hintz, Lincoln

SUPPORT OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Catholic Schools Week Breakfast	10795	St. Vincent DePaul, Omaha
Fund a Nun	11001	Blessed Sacrament, Lincoln

CHURCH

Supreme Service	12086	St. Isidore, Columbus
State Service	2272	St. Joseph, West Point

LEONARD FEEHAN MEMORIAL COMMUNITY SERVICE

Support of 2 Families	2388	Broken Bow, Broken Bow
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COMMUNITY

Supreme Service	14077	St. Charles Borromeo, Omaha
State Service	11879	St. Matthew, Bellevue

COUNCIL

Supreme Service	10305	St. John the Baptist, Fort Calhoun
State Service	12086	St. Isidore, Columbus

FAMILY

Supreme Service	10047	Fr. John V. Wallace, Gretna
State Service	12086	St. Isidore, Columbus

YOUTH

Supreme Service	1906	St. Stephen, Lawrence
State Service	2681	Fr. Timothy P. Molony, Scottsbluff

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POSTER CONTEST

Drug Abuse

1st Place (Ages 8-11)	5881	St. Boniface, Stuart
2nd Place (Ages 12-14)	15101	St. Pius X, Omaha

Alcohol Abuse

1st Place (Ages 8-11)	5881	St. Boniface, Stuart
2nd Place (Ages 12-14)	1336	Falls City, Falls City

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

1st Place (Ages 5-7)	11737	Bishop Glennon P. Flavin, Denton
2nd Place (Ages 8-10)	11737	Bishop Glennon P. Flavin, Denton
3rd Place (Ages 11-14)	11312	St. Isaac Jogues, Lincoln

MEMBERSHIP

Highest Percent Gain

Div 1 - 1st Place	6385	Fr. Robert Barry, Bassett/Ainsworth
Div 1 - 2nd Place -tie	12530	Fr. McGivney, North Platte
Div 1 - 2nd Place -tie	10163	St. Joseph's, Benkelman/Stratton
Div 1 - 3rd Place - tie	16606	St. John Paul II - UNO, Omaha
Div 1 - 3rd Place - tie	15647	St. Mary's/St. Patrick's, Davey
Div 2 - 1st Place	7614	Fr. McFadden, Syracuse
Div 2 - 2nd Place	7034	Fr. John P. Brock, Valley
Div 2 - 3rd Place - tie	15101	St. Pius X, Omaha
Div 2 - 3rd Place - tie	7550	St. Francis, Neligh
Div 2 - 3rd Place - tie	14685	St. Rose of Lima, Crofton
Div 3 - 1st Place	8579	Fr. William Kearns, Wayne
Div 3 - 2nd Place	14077	St. Charles Borromeo, Omaha
Div 3 - 3rd Place	11001	Blessed Sacrament, Lincoln
Div 4 - 1st Place	9563	Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln
Div 4 - 2nd Place	10047	Fr. John V. Wallace, Gretna
Div 4 - 3rd Place	10909	St. Wenceslaus, Omaha

Congratulations 2018 State Convention Award Winners

GEORGE NUSSRALLAH CEREMONIAL AWARD

Bob Wolf 2681 - Fr. Timothy P. Molony, Scottsbluff

DISTRICT DEPUTY OF THE YEAR

1st Place Craig Vavak, District 6
2nd Place Chuck Donner, District 22

KNIGHT OF THE YEAR

1st Place Greg Jochum 12086 - St. Isidore, Columbus
2nd Place Ray Romero, Sr. 6192 - Columban, Bellevue

FAMILY OF THE YEAR

1st Place Ted & Cindy Menzel 6192 - Columban, Bellevue
2nd Place Terence & Patti Veylupek 11879 - St. Matthew, Bellevue
Hon. Men. Richard & Betty Zierke 13576 - Msgr. David R. Hintz, Lincoln
Hon. Men. Roberto & Tina Silva 9518 - Fr. William A. Foster, Ralston

FRATERNALIST OF THE YEAR

Ryan Mascarello 1966 - Fr. Shine, Plattsmouth

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY

Money Earned

Div 1 - 1st Place	7081	Imperial, Imperial
Div 2 - 1st Place	7684	Fr. Ulenberg, Geneva/Grafton/Shickley
Div 3 - 1st Place	10923	Prince of Peace, Kearney
Div 4 - 1st Place	6192	Columban, Bellevue

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY

Percentage Increase

Div 1 - 1st Place	11810	St. John the Baptist, Pender
Div 2 - 1st Place	14914	St. Patrick, Elkhorn
Div 3 - 1st Place	3152	Fr. Joseph Vanderheiden, Nebraska City
Div 4 - 1st Place	2272	St. Joseph, West Point
Div 1 - 2nd Place	4434	Fairbury, Fairbury
Div 2 - 2nd Place	14470	Immaculate Conception, Omaha
Div 3 - 2nd Place	13080	Our Lady of Lourdes, Omaha
Div 4 - 2nd Place	1728	St. James, Kearney
Div 1 - 3rd Place	7704	Victor Vifquain, Crete
Div 2 - 3rd Place	1238	Count Creighton, Creighton
Div 3 - 3rd Place	10965	St. Leo the Great, Omaha
Div 4 - 3rd Place	833	Fitzgerald, Lincoln

This list of award winners, as well as convention photos, including award presentations, can be viewed and individually downloaded in high resolution from

<http://nebraskakofc.org>

ICC Awards

ICC Gold	1904	Liberty, Hebron	ICC Bronze	5439	Pope John XXIII, Howells
	7034	Fr. John P. Brock, Valley		7614	Fr. McFadden, Syracuse
	8579	Fr. William Kearns, Wayne		7699	Lindsay, Lindsay
	9563	Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln		7778	High-Line Council, Grant
	10047	Fr. John V. Wallace, Gretna		9562	St. Anthony, Grant Island
	11001	Blessed Sacrament, Lincoln		9898	St. Mary, Leigh
	14685	St. Rose of Lima, Crofton		10160	St. Stephen the Martyr, Omaha
	16878	Fr. Kenneth Walker, Lincoln		10163	St. Joseph's, Benkelman/Stratton
ICC Silver	2272	St. Joseph, West Point		10184	Fr. Clement Bracht, Omaha
	4434	Fairbury, Fairbury		10305	St. John the Baptist, Fort Calhoun
	7740	St. John Vianney, Omaha		10335	St. John's Holy Family, Minden
	9518	Fr. William A. Foster, Ralston		10387	St. Leo's, Grand Island
	10412	St. Francis Borgia, Blair		10607	St. Rose of Lime, Genoa
	10795	St. Vincent DePaul, Omaha		10894	St. Joseph, Springfield
	10895	St. James, Omaha		10909	St. Wenceslaus, Omaha
	11879	St. Matthew, Bellevue		10923	Prince of Peace, Kearney
	15944	Mary Queen of Angels, Bellwood		11280	Msgr. Maurice Helmann, Lincoln
ICC Bronze	652	Fr. Flanagan of Boys Town		11363	Resurrection, Grand Island
	975	Holy Rosary, Alliance		11600	St. Bernard's, Omaha
	1123	Pius XII, Hastings		11810	St. John the Baptist, Pender
	1159	St. Mary's, Grand Island		12086	St. Isidore, Columbus
	1793	Sacred Heart, Norfolk		12530	Fr. McGivney, North Platte
	1918	St. Peter & Paul, St. Paul		12557	Sts. Mary and Joseph, Ashland/Greenwood
	1966	Fr. Shine, Plattsmouth		12687	Fr. Robert Foster Jubilee, Elm Creek
	2292	Ord, Ord/Burwell		13576	Msgr. David R. Hintz, Lincoln
	2411	St. Boniface, Elgin		13584	St. Michael's of Spalding, Spalding
	2716	St. Anthony of Padua, Schuyler		14077	St. Charles Borromeo, Omaha
	4797	St. Luke, Ogallala		14470	Immaculate Conception, Omaha
	5045	Christ the King, Omaha		14914	St. Patrick of Elkhorn, Elkhorn
	5143	St. Frances DeChantal, Randolph		15101	St. Pius X, Omaha
				15647	St. Mary's/St. Patrick's, Davey

News from the NEIL PFEIFER AGENCY

Knights of Columbus Insurance Serving Northeast Nebraska



Kevin Weber



Douglas Kelly



Steve Kluthe

Supreme Knights Club

Agents from the Neil Pfeifer Agency who earned their way into the Supreme Knights Club this year are **Kevin Weber, Douglas Kelly, and Steve Kluthe**. Supreme Knights Club agents represent the top 5% of the Knights of Columbus insurance agents company wide.

Congratulations Kevin, Douglas, and Steve!

Knights of Columbus Insurance is among the highest rated companies in the industry. The Knights invest morally and responsibly in line with Catholic Doctrine.

Agents of the Month

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

March Jeremy Borchers of West Point

April Craig Pfeifer of Madison



Jeremy Borchers



Craig Pfeifer

Questions? Looking for a Career Opportunity?
 Contact your council's agent or Neil Pfeifer, General Agent for Northeast Nebraska
 402.379.0180 | neil.pfeifer@kofc.org | www.kofcins.com

Per Capita Due September 1, 2018

Reduce Your Per Capita By 50% By Attaining Star Council Status.

Mark Borytsky, State Secretary | 402.212.9612 cell | secretary@nebraskakofc.org

Your September Per Capita Must Be Paid On Time To Be Eligible For ICC Gold Next Year!

What is per capita? Where does it go? How much is it? Where do the assessed numbers come from? These are some of the frequently asked questions when it comes to the per capita billing. Following are answers to each of these questions. Hopefully this will help everyone understand the per capita assessment.

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. Both the State Council and Supreme have a per capita assessments.

Where does the money go?

The state assessment is designed to assist the State Council in funding items such as programs, conventions, Knights Courier, and the other expenses that are associated with running an organization like ours.

How much is it?

State per capita assessment

Your state per capita invoice is received two times each fiscal year. Invoices are sent directly to your council's Financial

Secretary and are to be paid from your council's annual dues. As part of these dues, \$8.75 per member per year is currently assessed by the State Council and is your council's State per capita billing. One half will be billed July 1, 2018, and due by September 1, 2018, for \$4.38 per member. The second half will be billed \$4.37 per member on January 1, 2019, and due by March 1, 2019.

Supreme per capita assessment

Supreme's per capita assessment is currently \$4.50 per member per billing (twice yearly) and is your council's Supreme per capita billing. These invoices are billed by Supreme directly to your council's Financial Secretary.

Where do the assessed numbers come from?

For both per capita invoices, the State Council uses 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.

News from the KEVIN PFEIFER AGENCY

Knights of Columbus Insurance - Serving Southeast Nebraska



Ryan Mascarello

Fraternalist of the Year Ryan Mascarello

At the State Convention in April, Field Agent **Ryan Mascarello** was awarded the Fraternalist of the Year award. The award is given out to an individual who puts in many volunteer hours and goes "above and beyond" for his councils. Ryan is not only a good field agent for the Knights, but he is also very active with his K of C councils and parishes. Ryan serves the councils of Plattsmouth and Omaha (St Joan of Arc, St Stephen the Martyr, Our Lady of Guadalupe, St Peter's, St Charles Borromeo, Immaculate Conception, and the UNO Newman Center).

Congratulations, Ryan!



John Stoeckinger

Supreme Knights Club

An agent from Nebraska who earned his way into the Supreme Knights Club is **John Stoeckinger** of Lincoln who is a 22nd year qualifier. Supreme Knights Club agents represent the top 5% of Knights of Columbus insurance agents company wide.

Congratulations, John!



Agents of the Month

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

March **John Stoeckinger of Lincoln**

April **John Costello of Lincoln**



John Stoeckinger



John Costello

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Knights of Columbus Named as a World's Most Ethical Company

For the 5th year in a row, the Knights of Columbus has been recognized by the Ethisphere Institute, the global leader in defining and advancing the standards of ethical business practices, as a 2018 World's Most Ethical Company. The WMEC designation recognizes those organizations that have had a material impact on the way business is conducted by fostering a culture of ethics and transparency at every level of the company. Being a five consecutive year honoree underscores the Knights of Columbus commitment to leading ethical business standards and practices ensuring long-term value to key stakeholders including customers, employees, suppliers, regulators and investors.

Questions? Looking for a Career Opportunity?

Contact your council's agent or Kevin Pfeifer, General Agent for Southeast Nebraska
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News from the TONY SWANSON AGENCY

Knights of Columbus Insurance Serving Central & Western Nebraska



Mike Jagers



John Vanderbeek

Agents of the Month

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

March	Mike Jagers of Sidney
April	John Vanderbeek of Kearney

Interested in a Career Serving Catholic Families?

Do you ever dream of a career serving Catholic families? Are you attracted to a career working for an organization that is authentically Catholic and will never invest in companies that hold positions contrary to the teaching of the Catholic Church and gives all its profits to the Church and Church approved charities? Does the opportunity to set your own schedule and earn an income determined by your own efforts interest you? Would a career that impacts families across generations be attractive to you? If so, a career with the Knights of Columbus might be for you.

If you are interested or know of a Brother Knight who may be interested in this opportunity, please call 800-733-8980 Ext. 4 and leave a message. The General Agents of Nebraska would be happy to visit with you to determine if a career with the Knights of Columbus might be for you.

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Questions? Looking for a Career Opportunity?
Contact your council's agent or Tony Swanson, General Agent for South Central Nebraska
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"Quilt of Valor" Presented to District Deputy Scott Bonham



Left: Leland Weber, Honoree Scott Bonham, and Carol Weber. Carol made the beautiful quilt pictured right.

The Quilts of Valor Foundation was founded in 2003 and is a grass roots group of quilters from across the United States. Founder Catherine Roberts had the idea of comforting veterans with hand-made quilts. The quilters' mission is to honor our service members and veterans who have been touched by war with their "Quilts of Valor."

This year's beautiful "Quilt of Valor" was made by Carol Weber of Bruning, NE, the wife of State Marshal Leland Weber. It was presented to Brother Knight Scott Bonham at the April awards banquet in Kearney.

This quilt is meant to say "thank you for your service."

It is meant to offer comfort to Scott and to remind him that, although his family and friends cannot be with him at all times, he is forever in all of our thoughts and prayers.

Scott is a member of Pius XII Council, Hastings and has filled the position of District Deputy. He served in the Nebraska National Guard and the US Army Reserves for over 25 years attaining the rank of Command Sergeant Major. Scott is a volunteer at Mary Lanning Hospital and a member of the American Legion Post 300 in Doniphan. He is a graduate of the Sergeant Major Academy at Fort Bliss, TX. He has been instrumental in bringing Catholic Radio to Central Nebraska. Scott and his wife, Debra, reside in Hastings and have two children and four grandchildren.

State Soccer Challenge Set for October 28, 2018

Councils Need to Plan their Soccer Challenge Now

David Marx, Nebraska Youth Director | 402.689.0986 cell | youth@nebraskakofc.org



Fraternal year planning for Knights of Columbus youth Soccer Challenge, two Poster Contests, and the Free Throw Championships begins now!

Sponsoring three great annual youth events are the vital blocks that strengthen

our "Building the Domestic Church" program.

The Soccer "shoot out" begins in August, the KCIC Poster Contest will start in late fall, and the Free Throw competition in January 2019. Reserving soccer fields and gyms can be a challenge, so start early. More information on these events will be coming in the future.

PLAN YOUR COUNCIL SOCCER CHALLENGE NOW!

Our State Soccer Challenge is a skill based shots-on-goal with points awarded for corner and center ball placement. It's open to participants ages 9 to 14 based on their birthday as of September 1, 2018. Plan Council competition for August, District in September, with Regionals in early October. Council winners will advance to District competitions, followed by Regionals, and then State competition. State winners are then submitted for recognition internationally. Winners of the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge in Nebraska have an excellent shot at winning international competition since there are few ties and a maximum point total of 500.

New this year! State Finals for the Knights of Columbus Annual Soccer Challenge is scheduled for Sunday, October 28, at the **Schuyler Field-House**, an indoor soccer facility, located at 200 W. 9th St. Schuyler, NE.

Order your FREE Soccer Challenge Kits online at www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/SC-KITOnline.pdf

This support material will assist your council in completing a great competition. Ordering your kit is done by your Grand Knight, Council Youth Director, or Council Soccer Challenge Chairman. You will receive promotional posters, participation and council champion certificates, entry forms, and a program guide containing rules and helpful ideas for running the competition.

Complete Soccer Challenge information can be found at www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/service/youth/soccer/soccer-guide.pdf

When competition is completed, submit this online participation report to the State Youth Director:

www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/council/4567_Print.pdf

POSTER CONTESTS

Don't forget about our poster contests for Fall/Spring 2018/2019, "Keep Christ in Christmas" and "Drug and Alcohol Abuse Awareness". View the amazing talents of this year's poster winners at www.nebraskakofc.org.

STATE FREE THROW COMPETITION FINALS

April 6, 2019, is the State Finals Free Throw competition at Grand Island Central Catholic High School. Plan well ahead for council and district events as gym availabilities fill quickly with basketball games in spring 2019.

Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus including the District Deputies, Grand Knights, and Brother Knights for sponsoring events this year. Our success is due to everyone in the Knights of Columbus family. Let's accomplish huge over-the-top successes together this year!

Questions, ideas, or suggestions regarding the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge, Poster Contests, and Free Throw Championship, please contact me via text, email, or phone call. Please leave a best time and date to connect.

Congratulations!

Nebraska State Council 2018 Free Throw Championship Winners

Age	Name	City	Age	Name	City
9	Daycee Witt	Falls City	9	Logan Brabec	O'Neill
10	Izzy Hollatz	Preston	10	Mason Pettit	Omaha
11	Callie Heithoff	Elgin	11	Ethan Moline	Omaha
12	Ellie Fogarty	Omaha	12	Jack Strice	Falls City
13	Addison Sporleder	Pierce	13	Preston Higginbotham	LaVista
14	Haley Reifert	Norfolk	14	Luke Dostal	Gretna

Nebraska Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament

Joe Bober, Nebraska State Athletics Coordinator

402.734.4374 home | 402.290.7954 cell | athletics@nebraskakofc.org

State Golf Tournament for Central/Western Nebraska

The Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament in Eastern Nebraska was held on June 2, 2018. Information about the State Bowling Tournament will be in the next issue of Courier. The State Golf Tournament for Central and Western Nebraska will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2018.

The format for this tournament was changed to a four person scramble and is open to any Catholic age 18 or older. We hope that by changing the format and eligibility, families are encouraged to play. It's also an opportunity for us to show non-Knights who we are.

We encourage all golfers to sign up. If you don't golf, volunteer your time and/or join us for dinner.

Remember that the money raised will go to our Vocations Fund and for Catholic Education Scholarships.

I want to thank everyone who has helped in the past with these tournaments. Without all of you, they would not be possible.

Don't Golf or Can't Join Us this Year?

- **Sponsor a Hole:** If you can't make it to this tournament, or even if you can, please consider sponsoring a hole. If you're a business owner, consider a sponsorship. Check with your councils to see if they're interested.
- **Donate your time and help:** If you don't golf but would like to help during the tournament, your services will be greatly appreciated.
- **Join us for dinner:** Join the golfers at the steak dinner held at Indianhead Golf Course. Individual dinners are only \$15 each. Be sure to make your reservation early.

Nebraska Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament Hole Sponsor Sign - \$50.00

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY ON THE LINES BELOW

Your Name, the Name of the Council, or the name of the Company as you want it to appear on the sign:

Address:

Phone:

MAIL THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK TO:

Joe Bober, Nebraska State Athletics Coordinator, 4070 I St, Omaha, NE 68107-1183

Scholarships Awarded, New Knights Welcomed!

Photo and article by Jim Pelster



St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Anton Link Council 1861, Sidney, presented six graduating seniors with awards on May 13, 2018, at the Mothers' Day Mass. The awards consisted of three \$500 Fr. Vincent J. Pelster Scholarships presented to Kollyn Weimer, Carissa Radtke, and Lauren Uhlir. In addition, Council 1861 presented gold cords to its newest members, Grant Hausmann, Bret Jagers, and Jon Smith, who joined the Knights prior to graduating from high school. Congratulations Seniors! We're proud of you!

Pictured: Lauren Uhlir, Carissa Radtke, Grant Hausmann, Jon Smith, Bret Jagers, and Kollyn Weimer

Nebraska Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament

Indianhead Golf Club, Grand Island, NE

Sunday, October 6, 2018

FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE - OPEN TO ANY CATHOLIC AGE 18 AND OLDER

\$80 per Golfer - Foursomes Encouraged

Includes golf cart and steak dinner at the golf course.

Men 65+ shoot from seniors' tees - Women shoot from red tees.

Cocktails 5:00 p.m. - Ribeye Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Not Golfing? Join us for drinks and dinner for just \$15 per person.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

Joe Bober, Nebraska State Athletics Coordinator

402.734.4374 home | 402.290.7954 cell | athletics@nebraskakofc.org

2018 Nebraska Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament

ENTRY FORM - Registration/payment deadline October 1, 2018

INDIANHEAD GOLF CLUB | 4100 W Husker Hwy, Grand Island | 308.381.4653
Saturday, October 6, 2018 - Check In 10 a.m. - Shotgun Start 11 a.m.
\$80.00 per golfer (includes golf cart and steak dinner) - Open to all Catholics age 18 and older.

GOLFERS (Dinner Included in Fee) - \$80 EACH - PLEASE PRINT

Name	Address	Phone	Parish or Council
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

EXTRA DINNERS - \$15 EACH - PLEASE PRINT

Name	Address	Phone	Parish
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

NO OUTSIDE LIQUOR/ALCOHOL ALLOWED

Make checks payable to KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. Fee for golf/extra meals required with this entry form.

SEND THIS FORM AND YOUR CHECK TO:

Joe Bober, Nebraska State Athletics Coordinator | 4070 I St, Omaha, NE 68107-1183
 402.734.4374 home | 402.290.7954 cell **NO PHONE ENTRIES ACCEPTED!**

ALL ENTRIES WITH PAYMENT DUE BY OCTOBER 1, 2018

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Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation

Our foundation has been approved by the IRS as a tax exempt 501 (3) (c) and the new name of Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation. This has been in the works for several months, and we just received word from the IRS. We should all be congratulating each other on the exciting news of OUR FOUNDATION.

The officers of the Nebraska Knights of Columbus and the directors of the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation would like to acknowledge and thank the many councils, assemblies, and individuals who contributed to the Foundation during 2017. Gifts of time and cash donations have made the 16th anniversary of the Foundation another successful year with a net balance of \$617,559.12, an increase of \$67,652 from a year ago. Your participation over the years has and will continue to allow us to fulfill the primary mission of the Knights of Columbus which is Charity.

Listed are the 2017 supporting and sustaining councils and assemblies. Also, individuals whose continuing support has qualified them for Foundation Fellow recognition are also listed.

We congratulate all who received recognition during the 2018 convention.

Foundation Fellow (Bronze) – Accumulated Contributions Contributions Since Inception reached \$500 during 2017:

- Rolland Dvorak
- Richard Lowery, PSD
- Peter Peil

Supporting Councils - 2017 Contributions \$1 - \$249. These are council's that qualified in 2017:

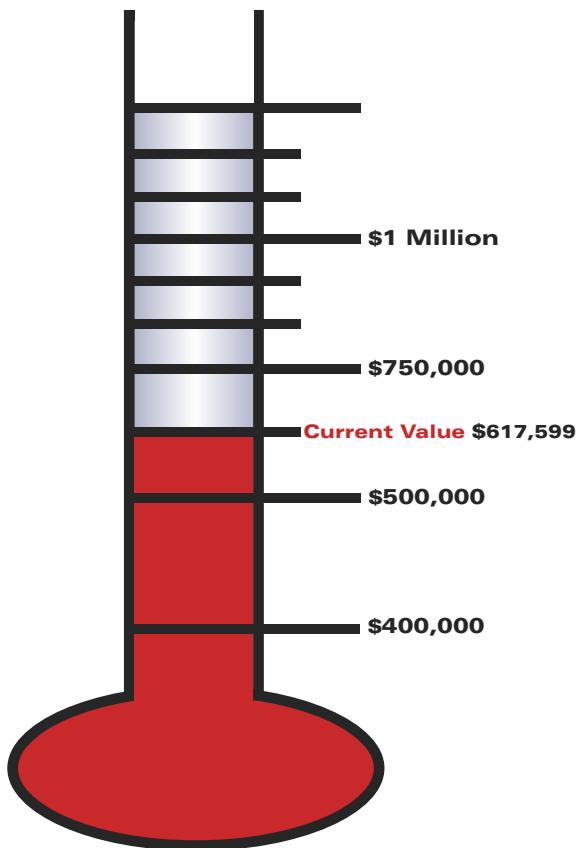
- 2716 Schuyler, St Anthony of Padua
- 7734 Arapahoe/Cambridge, Saint John Newman
- 9562 Grand Island, St Anthony
- 9898 Leigh, St Mary
- 10184 Omaha, Fr Clement Bracht
- 15944 Bellwood, Mary Queen of Angels

Sustaining Councils - 2017 Contributions \$250+

Plaques have previously been given to each of the listed councils. Individual council engraved plates will be distributed in your folders at the Leadership Training Seminar.

- 1128 Chadron, Msgr Michael E Dolan
- 1497 Fremont, Phil Sheridan
- 1794 Humphrey, Ave Maria
- 1833 Wahoo, Pope John Paul II
- 1906 Lawrence, St Stephen
- 2388 Broken Bow, Broken Bow
- 2411 Elgin, St Boniface

Build Up Your Foundation



It's always a good time to give!

Please mail your donations to:
Nebraska State Council
McGivney Foundation
PO Box 98
Elkhorn, NE 68022

For more information or questions contact:

Dan Wells, Fr. McGivney Foundation Advisor
 402.390.9873 home | 402.880.2586 cell
foundation@nebraskakofc.org



Be sure to follow the Nebraska Knights of Columbus on Twitter and Facebook and at www.nebraskakofc.org

Sustaining Councils - 2017 Contributions \$250+

2681	Scottsbluff, Fr Timothy P Molony
3736	North Bend, St Thomas Aquinas
5455	Loup City, St Josephs
6192	Bellevue, Columban
6385	Bassett/ Ainsworth, Fr Robert Barry
7034	Valley, Father John P Brock
7699	Lindsay, Lindsay
7740	Omaha, St John Vianney
8469	Seward, St Vincent DePaul
8579	Wayne, Fr William Kearns
8625	Valparaiso, Msgr Raymond Wegeman
8889	Brainard, Msgr Alois J Klein
8986	Madison, Saint Leonard
9563	Lincoln, Cathedral of the Risen Christ
9771	Omaha, St Elizabeth Ann
10305	Ft Calhoun, St John the Baptist
10894	Springfield, St Joseph
10909	Omaha, St Wenceslaus
11001	Lincoln, Blessed Sacrament
11280	Lincoln, Msgr Maurice Helmann
11363	Grand Island, Resurrection
11700	Omaha, Mary Our Queen
14914	Elkhorn, St Patrick of Elkhorn
15647	Davey, St Mary & St Patrick

Supporting Assemblies - 2017 Contributions \$1 - \$249

602	O'Neill Rev Msgr Michael E Cassidy
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Sustaining Assemblies - Contributions \$250+

599	Hebron, Bishop James V Casey
3303	Valparaiso, St John Newman
2541	Gretna, Mother Teresa
3486	Bellevue, Cardinal Francis Spellman

Knight Fellow – Silver Accumulated Contributions of \$2,500

We have many individuals who have already been recognized for achieving this status in prior years, and we also have several individuals who are gaining on their donations to achieve this status. 2017 welcomed five donors to Knight Fellow - Silver.

Don Ferneding, PSD
 Jim Gardner
 Mark Gearhart
 Stephen Sobota
 Jerry Smith, PSD

McGivney Fellow - Gold Accumulated Contributions \$10,000

Even though we do not have any new 2017 donors in this category, we would like to recognize the continued donations by Raymond Scott and Anthony Swanson. If they continue their annual donations, they will reach this milestone of giving.

In addition, we want to again recognize the generosity of several who have already achieved contributions of \$10,000 or more.

Ray Guggenberger
 Wayne & Sharon Meier
 John Miller
 Kevin Pfeifer
 Norm Vogel

District Deputy Award

A new recognition for 100% council participation in a DD's area donating to the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation.

DD 38 Ken Sabata - 2nd year in a row:

His assigned councils all donated \$250 each in 2017
 Councils 1833, 8625, 8889, 15647

These generous Knights, individuals, councils, and assemblies continue to give of themselves which helps YOUR Foundation grow.

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2018 Family of the Year - the Ted and Cindy Menzel Family

All award winners listed on pages 10 and 11 and at www.nebraskakofc.org



This year's Nebraska Knights of Columbus Family of the Year is honored for their support of Columban Council 6192 in Bellevue, their parish, and community. Deacon Ted and Cindy Menzel of St. Mary Parish, also in Bellevue, their three children, a son-in-law and daughter-in-law, are true examples of a family "Building the Domestic Church".

The Menzels' service has included gardening at St. Mary Parish and Mercy High School in Omaha and helping with annual school and parish fundraisers. They have been involved with the parish's Couples in Christ, That Man Is You! and other programs, including leading children's liturgy during Sunday Masses, a ministry they founded 27 years ago. Their children are also involved in church and community.

Read more about the Menzel Family online at www.nebraskakofc.org

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	Jun 27	State Directory Updates Due		State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger
ABC/XXX	Jun 30	Application for Vocations Support/RSVP Refund	Supreme Council cc: State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger	
SP-7	Jun 30	Columbian Award Application**	Supreme Council cc: State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger	
10057	Jun 30	Food for Families Report (Refund)	Supreme Council cc: State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger	
JULY 2018				
185	July 1	Report of Officers**	Supreme Council cc: District Deputy cc: State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger	
	July 14-15	Leadership Training (formerly GK, FS, DD Seminar)	Ramada Midtown, Grand Island	
AUGUST 2018				
365	Aug 1	Service Program Personnel Report**	Supreme Council cc: District Deputy cc: State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger	
	Aug 6-9	Supreme Convention, Baltimore, MD	State Secretary Mark Borytsky	
1295	Aug 15	Semi-Annual Report of Audit	Supreme Council cc: District Deputy cc: State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger	
	Aug 19-Sept 16	Silver Rose Run Across Nebraska	Nebraska Silver Rose Coordinator Jim Pelster	
SEPTEMBER 2018				
2629	Sep 1	Report of K of C Roundtable	Supreme Council cc: State Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger	
	Sep 1	First ICC Form Submission	Nebraska Program Director Mike Schaeffer	
	Sep 1	Supreme Per Capita Payment	Supreme Council	
	Sep 1	Nebraska Per Capita Payment	State Secretary Mark Borytsky	

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