



State Update

State Deputy's Message

On Track = On Mission

Let's step back through time to look at why we are here and what we are doing to perpetuate this great group of men called the Knights of Columbus. Regarding the Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney's vision, his original calling was "to attract the men of his parish to the sacramental life of the Church. Then take care of their families in a faith-filled way and through financial security". Our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson stated, "If we look at what Father McGivney's vision was, what his mission to us is, then it is not only being a Leader but being dedicated true evangelizers, we are being catechists and we are men of charity and models and witnesses that other men and other families will want to follow".

What is this Mission we are being called upon when we hear "grow the Order"? Is it to increase membership, or increase charity, or care for our members and families? If you answered it's all three activities, you're absolutely correct. Yes, it's all these things we do to build upon our programs and encourage our councils to more fully integrate with the sacramental and social life in our respective parishes. By our actions, we hope to strengthen our members' families and revitalize our parishes which is the corner stone to grow our Order.

So where am I going with this. Hopefully many of you took the opportunity on Tuesday evening, 18 September to participate, on your computer, in the fraternal training webinar titled On Track = On Mission. The Fraternal Mission and Fraternal Training presenters spend an hour discussing where we as an Order, state and individual councils should be at the end of September (three months into the fraternal year). If you missed this or any previous Fraternal Leader Training Webinars, don't worry. They are still available in the On Demand Webinar Portal at KofC.Org.

The webinar also provided some thought provoking questions regarding how well are we executing our mission and are we on track. The four questions we need to contemplate are as follows:

1. Have you held an Admission (First) Degree
2. Have you recruited 25% of membership quota
3. Is a Church Drive planned
4. Have you conducted at least three programs

These four questions are food for thought and a call to assess where we should be against where we really are. So how are we doing as a state? Since we started the current fraternal year on 1 July, we have gained 19 new members and suspended 16 for a net gain of 3. To be on track, we need to recruit and average of 19 men per month. Needless to say we are behind. At the Organization meeting in early July, the goal was to conduct an Admission (First) Degree every month in every district. We have had only six (out of 36) councils reporting any membership additions. Congratulations to Councils 9731 Our Lady of Lourdes - Magna (117%), 8350 Saints Peter and Paul - West Valley City (57%), 16127 Deacon Sliger - Hill AFB Base (33%) and 5502 St Olaf - Bountiful (29%). These four councils are leading the pack. Be Not Afraid - as our State Secretary Nick Nielson reminded us in last month's State Update. "We must make recruitment a priority to stay relevant...or eventually the council will die out". Let's not die out but flourish. The State Officer Team is always ready to help out in any way we can.

Vivat Jesus!

Greg Keller
Utah State Deputy

Holy Father's Prayer Intention

Evangelization - The Mission of Religious

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

Offered in Solidarity with Pope Francis



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Special points of interest



“TO WHAT DEGREE”

Fourth Degree News and Views

Knightly Valor

Restoring Veterans Hope! "I'M NO LONGER IN UNIFORM. I MIGHT BE HOMELESS NOW AND YOU PASS ME ON THE STREET."- Homeless Vet

Just as our kids need Coats in the winter, our Veterans need SOCKS. The Utah Fourth Degree together with the 10 Utah Assemblies is collecting "NEW SOCKS" to distribute to homeless Veterans on Thanksgiving 2018 (Location St. Vicente's Soup Kitchen SLC) . Please collect socks and donate with your local Knights of Columbus Council and or Assembly.

HELP US PROVIDE SOCKS FOR THE HOMELESS.

CHANCES ARE ONE OF THEM SERVED OUR COUNTRY! – Frank Carmona

We have launched a "NEW" Statewide District Campaign to help our homeless US Veterans. Just as the State Council has the program "Coats for Kids" the Utah State Assembly is introducing to you to "**Socks for Heroes**".

Our goal is to collect as many "NEW" pair of socks to hand out to our homeless Vets, one pair or two at a time. A team of Sir Knights from around the state together with our active US Military Members will be stationed at St. Vincent's mess hall for the homeless in SLC on Thanksgiving to pass these out. For those of you Active Military, Veterans, In-Active Military, Hunters, Fisherman, First Responders, and Outdoorsman you know the importance of dry clean feet. Please join in collecting Socks for Heroes by passing out the word to your place of employment,



“Sir Knight is more than a title...it’s an honor.”



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parishes, and bring this up at your council/assembly meeting in "Report of the 4th Degree". Chances are you have a 4th-Degree member at a council meeting that also attends assembly meetings who can bring those socks and give them to the FN, Marshal, or UDM. I thank you all for your support and love for the US Veterans. God bless you and God bless America!!!!

Please mail any \$\$\$ donations to:

UDM Frank Carmona 1761 W Western Charm Dr. Riverton UT 84065

Checks Payable to: Utah District Master Fund

New Uniform Update

There will be no extension on the Classic Regalia and will be retired on June 30th, 2019 at midnight. The New Uniform will be the in place for all Color Corps Members only. All Fourth-Degree leaders are encouraged to purchase but not a requirement. Supreme is working on bringing the manufacturing of the New Uniform Stateside to make it more affordable to everyone "Made in the USA".

The Tuxedo, the social baldric, and the US pin will remain as the 4th Degree official social wear.

Fourth Degree Programs

Fourth-Degree Scholarship Fund: Mail back your \$10 booklets to FVSM Chuck Dover Jr.

Special Olympics: October 19, 2018 Fall Opening Ceremonies. Please show up by 18:00 @ NORTHWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL 1730 N Redwood Rd., SLC, UT. See you there!!!

Bilingual Fourth-Degree Exemplification: November 3rd, 2018 Assembly 3586 will be hosting a bilingual Exemplification at the Cathedral of the Madeleine. Please get the word out!

Quotes

"God will never take his love away from you, even if you try."

Yours in Christ,

Francisco "Frank" Carmona

Master of the Fourth Degree

State Secretary's Corner

What is your dream for your council?

A DREAM written down with a date becomes a GOAL.

A GOAL broken down into steps becomes a PLAN.

A PLAN backed by action becomes REALITY.

State administrative things to make you aware of, there are still 4 councils that have not submitted their Chosen Officer Report (185) to Supreme and we have 13 councils that have not submitted their Program Personnel Report (365). At this time, we also do not have a single council in compliance with the Knights Safe Environment training. You can check the status of your council out the state's website with the Star Council Status section under the recruiting tab or click here: www.utahknights.org/star-council/

The directory is coming along and almost complete. Thank you goes out to all who responded with edits and sending their information. Special thanks to the State Officers, Karl VanMaren, and Ray Bachiller for their assistance.

I asked the question "What is your dream for your council?" One of the things I love about our organization is the sky is the limit, we can do so many great things... we just need to have the vision or dream. I highly encourage you to think about this, what do you want to do with your council or with your membership in the Knights? Write your vision down and it'll become a goal. But how do you achieve your goal? Break it down into steps and come up with a plan to achieve it. But a plan without action will not materialize, so back that plan with action. Take the time to do this, write it down and share it with others; the greatest thing about this is it provides purpose to everything we do as a Knight. Every breakfast, prayer group we organize, event we do now has a meaning and is working toward something. This will give perspective to why you're doing the event and will attract others to work toward your common goal.

Hopefully you have attended some the webinars put on by supreme, gotten with your DD, met with your council officers, or reached out to the state officers and have planned your year out for your council. If you haven't, it's never too late. If I can help in anyway, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Let's turn your dream for the Knights into a reality! .

Vivat Jesus!



Nick Nielson
State Secretary

Upcoming Degrees

Admission Degrees

- 10/7 —SPANISH, Cathedral, SLC. 5pm-6pm, candidates arrive at 4:30pm
- 10/10 —Saint Mary (Old Town Chapel), Park City. 7pm-8pm, candidates arrive at 6:30pm
- 10/14 —Saint Rose of Lima, Layton. 12:30pm—1:30pm, candidates arrive at 12:00pm

Formation & Knighthood Degrees

- 10/13 —English/Spanish, Our Lady of Lourdes, Magna. 9am-12pm, candidates arrive by 8:30am.
A light breakfast will be served at 8:00am
- 10/20 —Saint James the Just, Ogden. 1pm-4pm, candidates arrive 12:30

Patriotic Degrees

- 11/03 —**BILINGUAL** Cathedral of the Madeline. 12:15pm—9pm Information will be posted on utahknights.org

From Supreme: On the Frontlines

10/3/2018

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson and Super Bowl champion Matt Birk addressed more than 250 college Knights at the 53rd College Councils Conference

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson challenged college Knights to be leaders on their campuses at a recent gathering in New Haven.

"You are evangelists and disciples now, not sometime in the future," he said at the 53rd College Councils Awards Banquet. "Your colleagues on your campus need you."

He said Knights are called to be witnesses of authentic faith and leadership.

"It's up to us to assume that kind of leadership."

Two hundred and fifty-five Knights — the largest attendance in conference history — came from 97 campuses across North America. The attendees participated in leadership training, attended Mass at St. Mary's Church, and took part in a special consecration to St. Joseph.

Attracting younger men to the K of C is a key priority for the Order. Attracting college Knights is a top priority. By being true Catholic gentlemen, Supreme Knight Anderson said, college councils will grow. He pointed to Matt Birk as a witness of true faith.

Birk, a 15-year veteran of the National Football League, and Super Bowl XLVII champion, was the conference's keynote speaker.

"Right now today in our society and our culture and our world, there is a war going on with our faith," Birk said.

Birk noted that college Knights — as students on campus — are on the frontlines. "I'm one of two million Knights. There's strength in numbers. If you're going to fight a war, you better have an army."

Even as a professional football player, Birk practiced the same drills he practiced as a kid. It's the same for practicing the faith, no

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matter one's age, Birk said.

"The fundamentals are all right there for us. We have Mass. We have the Eucharist. We have Confession. We have the rosary. We have Adoration."

At the dinner, Supreme Knight Anderson and other supreme officers conferred awards to college councils for exemplary service and achievement.

Captain Julian Gluck of the United States Air Force received the inaugural Distinguished Alumnus Award. A past grand knight at the United States Air Force Academy Council 8200, Captain Gluck is responsible for piloting a five-person heavy bomber and supporting the combatant command and global bomber task force operations. He is deployed in support of the Operations Inherent Resolve and Freedoms Centennial and participated in the liberation of Mosul and Iraq from ISIS.

Membership Memo—Diving Into the New Year

Well Gentlemen we are starting to make progress. We are on the first page of Supreme's stat sheet. We have one council that has already made their membership numbers for the year. Way to go Our Lady of Lourdes. Everyone is showing signs of improvement. We are all noticing growth and I am seeing younger members joining. E membership is doing well and we all should be excited about our church drives coming up.

Usually I look through the Columbia magazine to see what other councils are doing to see if my council can get new ideas for fundraisers or to learn new ways to support our parish. I recently tried to look at membership with the same learning experience. Who has a success story that I may be able to get more men involved and there are always opportunities to get men interested in the Knights. Let non-knights help with some of your projects and fund raisers like bingo or coat drives. One council allowed all men in the parish to go to the monastery for a retreat week end. Some eventually saw how Knights have a bond that they wanted to be part of. When they see how much we do and how we enjoy doing it they can't help but want to be a Knight.

All I am saying is we Knights love what we do and want all the hands we can find to help us achieve more. Never pass up an opportunity to grow the order.

Keep up the great work.

Vivat Jesus,

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From Supreme: A True Brotherhood

When Bill and Brendon Hodge, brother Knights and grandfather and grandson, first walked through their home in Newport, N.C., after Hurricane Florence hit, there was still six inches of water. And worms. Lots of worms covering the kitchen floor.

"To me, it was disappointment," said Bill. "I've been through hurricanes and typhoons. I just never realized that we were going to be affected the way we were."

Brendon, 18 years old, didn't know how to react at first to the level of devastation.

"It was the first time I ever seen something like this," he said. "It's kind of like seeing something in a movie. It just hits you like you don't know what to do about it."

What happened next embodies the Knights of Columbus' principles of charity, unity and fraternity.

Just when the Hodges were unsure what they would do, fellow Knight Daniel Smith gave them a place to stay. All three Knights are members of Msgr. Frank Howard Council 6648 in Havelock, N.C.

"I offered it to Brendon and [Bill] and they're going to live with us as long as they need to," said Daniel, who has been a member of the Knights for 30 years. "We're brother Knights and we're brothers in the Catholic faith. We're brothers in Jesus Christ."

The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 as a fraternal, insurance organization, to assist other brother Knights' families in the event of a breadwinner's untimely death. One of the tenets of the organization is fraternity, and that spirit has been maintained since its founding.

Brendon joined the Knights of Columbus because of the volunteerism instilled in him by his grandfather, and sees the Order as an avenue to help others. He also sees the Knights as a true brotherhood.

"It feels really good because I know that I have people from around like different areas to come and help and support," Brendon said. "It makes me feel like I'm not alone out there and there's other people who will definitely come out and help and show you that they care about you."

Bill said he recently joined the Knights, seeing the Order as unique when compared to other volunteer organizations.

"They are good leaders by example," he said. "I know what the Knights do and stand for, but to actually have them have to help you, is a different feeling than you helping somebody else."

Council % of Membership Goal as of 10/2/2018

COUNCIL	GRAND KNIGHT	% QUOTA	COUNCIL	GRAND KNIGHT	% QUOTA
9731	Gabino Chacon	117%	7401	Larry Zubel	0%
8350	Jose Munoz	57%	7961	Andy Airriess	0%
10304	Gary "Pete" Sorensen	40%	8606	John Mau	0%
16127	Alan Gibson	33%	9561	Michael E Hacking	0%
5502	Wayne Welninski	29%	9849	Wayne Bauer	0%
14399	Wilber Meier	14%	10733	Thomas Kelly	0%
6966	Michael Carmody	11%	11246	Pat Mc Donald	0%
12181	Steven Thatcher	11%	11479	Larry Page	0%
602	Tim Doubt	0%	11812		0%
777	Gerald "Jerry" Bedel	0%	12264	Stephen Gillette	0%
1129	Charles Hodell	0%	12959	Cory Meacham	0%
1136	Al Christianson	0%	13297	Timothy Soran	0%
2611	John Flores	0%	13646		0%
5214	Phil Garcia	0%	14239	Ernest "Chris" Barrera	0%
5347		0%	14764	David Mohr	0%
6010	Dennis Martinez	0%	15418	Dick Hall	0%
6147	Tim Peczuh	0%	15741	Jose Palestino	0%
6739	Barry Stine	0%	16006		0%

District Deputies % of Membership Goal as of 10/2/2018

DISTRICT	NAME	% QUOTA	DISTRICT	NAME	% QUOTA
9	Billy Sandoval	57%	1	Dan Castelli	0%
6	Jerry Angus	32%	4		0
2	Ray Salazar	10%	5	Cole Stapley	0%
3	Dan Reading	8%	8	Harry Polland	0%
7	Art Grant	7%	11	Frank Lesar	0%
10	Peter Abercrombie	7%			

State Programs Update

October 2018 State Program Report

Program Spotlight - FAITH IN ACTION:

* Faith in Action replaces Surge with Service. You will need to educate yourselves with Faith in Action in order to stay on top of your reports this year. There are several ways to do this; Visit kofc.org for information and resources, attend the Webinars that are available, continue to use Catholic Information Service(CIS) as a continuing resource, and reach out to your State Officers for additional help and understanding. Ryan Graveley, State Warden 801-835-0450 is offering free program kits and information to anyone that calls or texts.

* Gentlemen we may not be ready but it is time. Fall is around the corner, and this brings many of our amazing programs. Now is the time to order your Church Drive Kits. Soccer Challenge, Essay Contest, Keep Christ in Christmas, Science Fair, Special Olympics. You also need to discuss at your Council meeting how many coats you would like to order this year for Utah's children, and send in your order and payment. Orders were due September 15th. You now have until September 30th. Thank you in advance for your participation. The Saint Joseph Council is Pledging \$500 in coats. Does anyone want to challenge that?

* The State Soccer challenge will be October 21 at St Joseph the worker at 1:30, registration 1:00 p.m.

Fraternal Leader Training Webinars. Join the Supreme staff of the Fraternal Mission Department as they discuss relevant topics for effective council operation, membership recruitment and conducting charitable outreach programs that engage council members and build a stronger council. Have you missed any of the previous Fraternal Leader Training Webinars? Don't worry, they are still available in the ON Demand Webinar Portal <http://www.kofc.org/en/members/resources/membership-webinar.html>.

Ryan Graveley
State Warden

For the Good of the Order

Richard Vigor (#6966)

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Chuck Hodell

For Men and Women in Uniform

We pray for the protection of our family members and friends serving in the Armed Forces and as first responders.

Please include these members and their families in the Good of the Order portion of your monthly council meetings.

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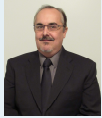


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Insurance Assurance—Peace of Mind

Can your family survive without you?

It is an uncomfortable question, but an important one. How would your wife replace your income? What would happen to the house? How would your children pay for college?

As fathers, it is our job to make sure our families are well protected and well prepared. Of course, this duty — along with all of the other responsibilities that come with the vocation of fatherhood — can appear overwhelming. Our vocation begins to feel like a burden; it seems we will never again experience peace of mind, let alone financial protection.

Fortunately, as members of the Knights of Columbus, you have exclusive access to a tremendous set of fraternal benefits that can help you to achieve peace of mind and provide the protection that your family needs and deserves.

Life insurance is a powerful tool that — properly structured — can help you secure your family’s future. As a Knight, you have access to a whole host of life insurance products that can be either permanent or temporary (called “term”).

“As fathers, it is our job to make sure our families are well protected and well prepared.”

Permanent life insurance is the Knights of Columbus’ signature product. It provides money to your family when you die and builds cash value while you live. It’s guaranteed. It’s dynamic.

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Who needs it?

Life insurance may be an ideal solution for you if you are interested in:

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- Providing college funds for your children in case of your untimely death.
- Protecting your spouse from the burden of a mortgage in the event of the unexpected.
- Enabling your loved ones to pay off your personal debt — like credit card or auto loan debt — should you pass away suddenly.
- Leaving a donation to a charity or special interest after your death.
- Supplementing an estate or mitigating estate taxes that occur after you die.

Knights of Columbus life insurance products are flexible to fit your needs.

As fathers, we simply want the peace of mind that comes with knowing our families will be okay. With a well-designed life insurance product, peace of mind is possible. By doing business with the Knights of Columbus, you have the added comfort of knowing that you are supporting a Catholic organization and business that invests ethically and gives generously.

September is designated as Life Insurance Awareness Month. It’s a great opportunity for you to contact your Knights of Columbus field agent and lay out a plan to help obtain peace of mind for you and your family.

Contact us today to learn more about our products.



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