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Message from the State Deputy

Message from the State Chaplain

*"Stewards of Faith and
Action"*



Vince R. Reyes

As we continue on to the current fraternal year, I look forward to all the possibilities that lay ahead. As I have mentioned several times in the past, the State Deputy is only one person and he cannot do the job alone, without the support of everybody.

When I reached out to all of you to be a part of the State Team for Columbian Year 2019-2020, all of you responded with an enthusiastic "yes!" Even though some of the District Deputies said that they cannot find replacements and have some health issues, they decided to stay on for the Good of our councils, districts, jurisdiction and Order.

We are truly blessed by having our very Worthy State Chaplain Father Jim Corrigan in our midst. As usual, he will continue to provide spiritual guidance and wise counsel.

I realize and I am very grateful for the many sacrifices you have done in the past and will continue to do so for the good of all! You are living role models to each and every one of us!

I would like to acknowledge the four Past State Deputies who will help us achieve our goals. Past State Deputy Wally Streit will be the State New Council Development and Round Table Director. Among other things, Brother Wally will try to reactivate the Vietnamese Council in Calgary and form several Round Tables. Past State Deputy Dan Barth

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Fr. Jim Corrigan

"Those Men Called Knights":

Brothers, greetings and welcome to another year in the life of those men called Knights. I have a question for you. Do you think there is any way we can earn our way into heaven? If you find one, please let me know. Short of martyrdom, (dying for the faith), the only way we will arrive at the pearly gates is because our Lord wants us there. Brothers, that is God's plan for us. To be happy here in this world so that we can be happy with Him for eternity in the next. I offer these thoughts this day because it is in serving the Lord that we can be truly joyful here in the world. Our God loves us despite our human frailty and His desire for us, is to be with Him in heaven. Our response of service based on our gratitude for this love is what will give us the joy we are called to. Brothers, a tax refund will make us happy, serving the Lord in gratitude is what will give us the joy that we are called to.

As Knights of Columbus, we are blessed with the opportunity to serve the Lord in a joyful and fraternal way. It is one thing to perform an act of charity by oneself and we are all called to this. The act of charity is greatly enhanced when we enter it to it as a group of like-minded Catholic men. Brothers, may this Columbian year through your generous participation draw you ever closer to the joy here in the world that our loving God has created you for.

We are blessed to welcome our new State Deputy, Brother Vicente Reyes (Vince), back to the State Executive board table. We give thanks to Immediate

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From the State Secretary

By Gaston Launière

"A HEART THAT LOVES IS ALWAYS YOUNG."
Greek Proverb.

In regards to State Scholarships, all the applications have been reviewed by the judging committee and after 22 hrs or so of lengthy discussion, 15 out of 48 applicants were chosen. The winners have been announced and will be available on the State Website for viewing in the near future.

We thank all the applicants who applied, and Councils who helped these individuals. The cheques are being mailed to the Grand Knights.

If you have been advised that you have a winner in your Council, we encourage you to arrange to make a special presentation of the cheque to the winner at a parish Mass or church or council function. Try to include your District Deputy and/or any State Officers in your presentation so that one of them could read the letter that provides information on our scholarship program.

Please send in photos of this formal introduction to the Red Deer Office so we can post them on the state website. This is an achievement that we should celebrate and share with others.

I am looking forward to representing you next year as State Secretary and meeting many of you through the various activities and events your Council will be hosting.

Thank you for your support.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Vivat Jesus!

Gaston Launière
State Secretary / Secrétaire d'État

From the State Treasurer

By John Onyskiw

Brother Knights

With the end of summer Mother Nature once again bestows upon us that colorful season of fall and coming up next Thanksgiving. This is the time of year we celebrate with family and friends giving thanks to Our Lord. But let us not forget those less fortunate than ourselves both here at home and abroad. Every day the news shows us victims suffering from some calamity, displacement, or act of violence occurring somewhere in the world. Let us pray for these victims and especially for peace so we may all live as God intended with our brothers and sisters.

Summers end also brings to an end the first quarter of our new Columbian Year and a time to reflect on Council achievements since July 1st. For the next quarter of our Columbian Year let us prepare ourselves for more activities in the months ahead to attain our goals.

As State Treasurer, I'd like to remind all Councils of the following:

- All expense claims are to be submitted on a timely basis to the State Board.
- Complete one (1) expense claim form per month. Do not combine multiple months onto one expense form.
- To ensure timely processing receipts must be attached to the respective expense claims when applicable.
- All cheques received from the State Board are to be cashed when received. Every year, we have several cheques that become stale dated.
- Per Capita and Insurance statements are to be paid within 60 days.
- Major Degrees: Host Chapter, District or Council collects \$25.00 per Candidate and submits to State Treasurer within 30 days of Degree.

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From the State Advocate

By Andy Soshalski

Dear Brothers,

Time flies by, the summer is over, and we are again close to Thanksgiving Day. For my family it's a very special day, for we moved to Canada in the fall, and our first Thanksgiving Day was a real thanksgiving to God who brought us into this wonderful country.

For us Knights it is a day when we not only thank the Lord for all the graces and bounties he has sent to us, but one more opportunity to think about the less fortunate and help them. October 11 Bishop William McGrattan is holding his first Bishop's Dinner in Lethbridge; all the proceeds will go to the food banks in Southern Alberta. I ask Southern Alberta councils to support this great initiative and send donations to the Bishop's Dinner. The donations should be sent to All Saints Parish in Lethbridge who is hosting the event.

Brothers, we live in the times of change. We are waiting for the new degree protocol to come from the Supreme; the 4th degree has already got its new uniform; some more changes in the Knights may come. But irrespective of all changes, we are still here to do the works of charity, to display unity, to act like real brothers to each other and to love our home country, our wonderful Canada. Let us invoke divine blessing on our deeds as Knights of Columbus and let us once again thank the Lord for the privilege of being Knights of Columbus!

Natalia and I wish you and your families the happiest and merriest Thanksgiving!

Vivat Jesus!

Andy Soshalski,
State Advocate.



From the State Warden

By Rufus Awharitoma

WARDEN'S ANGLE

Brother Knights, the start of a new Columbian year is always a renewed opportunity to validate our faith in God and services to humanity. As Knights, we are called for a higher purpose, not only to bear witness to the truth, but to validate our faith by putting them in action. It is within our right at all time to demonstrate the virtues of the Order.

As defender of the Faith and protector of the Church, what we do, how we do it and why we do it, is what attracts young catholic men to the Order. And as we Journey across our Jurisdiction, spreading the message of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. Our attitude towards protocol at every meeting, ignites the fire of Charity, the spirit of Fraternity, the love of Unity and the joy of Patriotism.

May the good Lord in his infinite mercy, bless the works of our hands Amen.

Vivat Jesus!

Rufus Awharitoma
State Warden
Knight of Columbus Alberta & NWT

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Past State Deputy, Brother Ron Schuster for his generous service at the table for these past two years. We all have a particular role to fulfill within our local and State Knights organization. Together may we serve the Lord through these roles with glad and generous hearts. Wishing you blessings and graces during this Columbian year.

Your brother in the Lord

Fr. Jim Corrigan,
State Chaplain



From the Agency

By Marc G. Bouchard, General Agent

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month.

I don't want to bore you with lots of statistics, but a recent survey from LIMRA (Life Insurance Marketing Research Association) found that only 59% of Americans own life insurance and about half of those are underinsured. (Although this report didn't say it, I've got to think these percentages are pretty much the same in Canada.) So that means that 70% of the population either has no life insurance or has too little life insurance.

So what does that have to do with the Knights? The historian, Christopher Kauffman, spent several years at the Supreme Office and at the Museum, researching the book that he wrote on the 100th anniversary of our founding. That book, Faith and Fraternalism, notes on page 13, "...he [Fr. McGivney] was deeply interested in pursuing the topic of a Catholic fraternal insurance society among groups of Catholic laymen of New Haven." Then on page 35 Mr. Kauffman goes on, "...he [Fr. McGivney again] spent his energy in promoting the insurance feature...his emphasis on business was his pastoral concern for the social and financial security of the family."

Fr. McGivney lived both the social and the financial *insecurity* of a desperate family, with the breadwinner suddenly taken, that had to be supported. He left the seminary to work and support his mother and siblings. He didn't want other Catholic families to find themselves in such a predicament. That, and uniting men of faith, was the impetus for establishing our Order. Everyone who joined in those first years was insured; that was part and parcel of being in the organization. Now every member has a choice and every member

should know what we do, and how we do it. Here's the process we use when meeting with families:

1. Discover – Identify & prioritize your financial goals
2. Gather Data – Collect facts & figures based on your current situation
3. Analyze – Input data, run calculations, identify shortfalls
4. Recommend – Propose a financial strategy designed to satisfy your goals
5. Implement – Choose a financial strategy and implement
6. Periodic Review – Review regularly, measure success, make adjustments

As you can tell, this is a painless process. But it can help any family, at any age, determine if they have blind spots in their coverage. It can help you avoid the pain of being underinsured. With a variety of life insurance products we offer we can help just about any person within any budget.

I don't know about you, but I don't want to buy life insurance...I want to buy what life insurance provides: no change in lifestyle for the survivors...in the house where they want to be. It'll pay for a daughter's wedding, a child's college education and much more. What does life insurance provide? Peace of mind, security, freedom from anxiety, a safeguard from the unknown.

That's where your agent can help.

For the name of your agent, email at bouchardagency@mail@kofc.org or phone:

403-343-2242

Marc Bouchard, CFP, CLU, ChFC General Agent, AB/NWT

From the Program Director

By Sal Ficaccio

State Program 2019-2020 Columbian Year

Sal Ficaccio
State Program Director
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Worthy Brother Knights welcome to our 2019-2020 Columbian year, wishing you all the best and congratulate all council officers who will lead this great jurisdiction in implementing all these FAITH IN ACTION programs.

This Columbian Years 2019-2020, we will focus our capacity to implement Faith in Action programs identified by our Worthy State Deputy Brother Vince Reyes.

The goals are as follows:

- One Star Council per District
- Compliance with **Featured** and **Required Programs**.
- One State-wide Activity in each of the 4 Faith in Action category
- Compliance with Reports and Safe Environment Requirements

The emphases and promotion on the recommended programs in each of the Faith in Action category have been identified.

Faith

State Faith Director
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RSVP, Rosary Program, **Spiritual Reflection** and **Mariam Prayer Program (State-wide Activity)**

Family

State Family Director
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Food for Families, Consecration to the Holy Family, Keep Christ in Christmas and **Family of the Month/Family of the Year (State-wide Activity)**

Community

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Helping Hands, Global Wheelchair Mission, Basketball Free Throw Championship, Disaster Preparedness and **Coats for Kids (State-wide Activity)**

Life

State Life Director Gregory Amerongen
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March for Life, Special Olympics, Silver Rose, Mass for People with Special Needs and **Novena for Life (State-wide Activity)**

Worthy Brothers only with your help and perseverance these goals can be achieved for the great glory of our founder the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney and the Alberta Northwest Territories.



Join Us

From the Membership Director N

By Leo M. Sosa

State Membership Conceptual Approach for CY 2019 – 2020

Challenging the status quo of your councils by bringing everyone to the table to “think outside the box”. Currently, the “box” is focused on how to clean up the membership roster by minimizing the recruitment effort and suspending the so called, “inactive” members. The conceptual approach that I am introducing is to provide reasons for the “inactive” members to come back to the fold.

- Promoting and making visible the fraternal brotherhood amongst the “active members” and the new recruited members”. We should exert efforts to recruit new members and together with the “active” members, form a core group to start creating an atmosphere of visible, vibrant fraternal brotherhood within the parish community. Let us recruit new members and together with the “active” members start this approach with them. This is creating reasons for our “inactive” members to come back to the council. It may take longer than one CY, but we have to start somewhere. This will take time as it is a transformation of culture within the council, but when this stage of council renewal is past, different outlook, purpose and interest will be created and will flow a more fraternized council. Let us build a reason for our Brother Knights to come back to our council, a place to enjoy each other’s company and be felt as a Catholic gentleman’s home where he will find fulfillment and hope in the service to his parish and community at large. New blood will help bring about renewal within the council with substantively changing dynamics within our membership ranks. We have to create that enthusiasm for our mission of service and catholic faith into our Councils.

- Collaborating with parish pastors on innovative ideas we could use to promote this conceptual approach; faith development activities involving the Knights, families and friends.

- Reaching out to our Brother Knights in personal brotherly ways. Show them that you care; create a directory that indicates birthdays, anniversaries and make efforts to greet them, either through phone calls or newsletter. We have to go back to basics to

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will be the Ceremonial Director and his expertise will be invaluable to all of us. Past State Deputy Charles Russell will continue to help us in membership and training. Of course, Brother Ron Schuster will be the IPSD.

In forming our team, we tried to put the right people to the right positions.

Your commitment to service makes me feel confident that I am not alone and that we are all in this together!

Truthfully, as elected or appointed fraternal leaders, we are all volunteers who are accountable for all of our actions and inactions.

That said, I would like to take this opportunity to assure you that as your State Deputy, I will lead by example. I will further cultivate our relationships and united collaborations with many Catholic organizations to effectively promote the churches’ mission entrusted to us by Jesus and facilitate the charitable works that Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney envisioned for us. I will work hard to improve communications through all levels. I will be proactive in my approach to our mission in an honest, transparent, and trustworthy way. I will aim to ensure that our Councils, our Districts, and State Board work together to serve the Lord, our Church, our Bishops and Priests, the Knights of Columbus, and the Common Good.

We, the Knights of Columbus, are called to serve and not to be served! This was the vision of our Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney when he formed the Knights of Columbus 137 years ago and is still very true to this day. His legacy is our mission to keep and put into action. Very clearly, the Knights of Columbus has become our way of life!

Together, we will accomplish great things in our jurisdiction, like:

- One State wide activity in each of the 4 Program categories: Faith, Family, Community and Life
- Increased awareness and participation in the March for Life, Special Olympics, Wheelchair, Silver Rose, Keep Christ in Christmas,

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Coats for Kids State Wide Activity

Worthy Grand Knights and Faithful Navigators;

COATS FOR KIDS has been identified as a **State Wide Activity** and a featured program from **Supreme**.

This event will be held in Calgary (school location has not been identified as to date) the coats will be distributed **on November 16, 2019**. We are hoping to have the host school within the Forest Lawn area. This area of Calgary holds the largest population of people from the Third World Countries. The needs are very **evident** and very **visible**.

God willing, our goal is to distribute **1100 Coats**.

In order to achieve this goal, the Alberta – Northwest Territories Knights of Columbus requires to work as a team, with your **help** and **commitment** from your Council, to purchase – donate at least one box of coats.

Let's all help these less fortunate children to keep warm for the winter.

We are hoping to have the following in attendance: Bishop William McGrattan, Calgary Football Players, a mascot, the media such as Global, CBC, CTV, Newspapers, Reporters and etc.

Please reply to me by e-mail, (programdirector@kofc.ab.ca) before September 28th, 2019, if your Council will be able to participate in this greatly needed activity. Therefore, we will have a number of how many coats will be available for distribution.

Thank you.

May God give you the strength and perseverance to accomplish all your goals this Columbian Year!

Sal Ficaccio
State Program Director

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- State Scholarship cheques are sent to the Grand Knights for presentation to the winners at a public function.
- There are two (2) Expense Report forms:
 - ◇ one for District Deputies that goes to the State Deputy, who forwards it to Supreme for payment;
 - ◇ one for State Directors and Chairman and State Board members that are initially submitted to the State Deputy who then forwards them to the State Treasurer for payment.
- State Convention: A Per Diem and Mileage cheque is issued to the Council at the end of the Convention to help offset some of the expenses incurred by the Delegate(s). No other reimbursement is given. Please see the Grand Knight's Manual for the rates paid. (Section G1, Subsection 212). If your Council does not have a Grand Knight's Manual it is available on the State website for reference.

The State Board, Directors and District Deputies are here to assist every Council when called upon. When we don't hear from anyone, we trust that the Councils are moving forward in a positive and productive manner. We are all but a telephone call away.

God bless all and welcome to autumn.

John W. Onyskiw
State Treasurer

**Talk to your children
about religious life.**



State Deputy, Vince Reyes with wife Ruby attending the 137th Supreme Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota from August 6-8, 2019



"The Supreme Chaplain, Most Rev. William E. Lori, S.T.D., happily posed with the Alberta delegates."



Eagle Dancers - Riley Family from Pueblo of Laguna, New Mexico



The delegates to the 137th Supreme Convention, Minneapolis, Minnesota, from August 6-8, 2019.

Front Row, Left to Right: Ricky & Bernadette Finzel, Julian Hnatiw, Vince & Ruby Reyes, Richard & Dorothy Shelson.

Back Row, Left to Right: Brian Strawford, Michael Curtis, Wayne MacGillivray, Steve Horvath, Fr. Jim Corrigan, Gerald Beliveau, Ron Schuster



Our Honorary State Chaplain Most Reverend Richard W. Smith in attendance with his Brother Bishops from all over the world.



Fourteen members of the Edmonton Catholic Eri-trean Community became Knights at an Admis-sion Degree on Sept. 8, 2019. Seated in white (centre front row) is Father Susai, pastor of Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples in Edmon- ton. Photo by Wally Streit-PSD.



District Deputy #39 Fabian Delwo with Fr. Iqbal Khurshid just before installations of Officers of Council #1732 & 9502 on August 17, 2019. Wine and cheese hosted by 1732 followed in the Parish Hall



Scholarship Presentation Left to Right: Ross Szentmiklossy, Grand Knight 12446, Tiana Comessotti, Scholarship winner, Fr. Andrew Maruszczak Pastor, Gaston Launiere, State Sec- retary



Council 4878, Archbishop Monahan council in Calgary held their 52nd Grand Knight's Ball honouring Past Grand Knight SK Dave Allen this past June 15th. Among our beloved widows was long absent Lady Jean Schulte, widow of the late PGK Lloyd Schulte.



Scholarship Presentation in Picture left is Bill Werbowski, DD 33 Nicholas Moroz Scholarship Winner, Gaston Launiere, State Secretary, Fr. Chris Sobanski Council 12446 Chaplain, Ross Szentmiklossy, Grand Knight 12446

From the Charitable Foundation

By Willis Winter, President

Greetings to my Brother Knights. The new Columbian Year is well underway. Councils are planning and preparing their activities for the year. Likewise, your Alberta Charitable Foundation (ACF) is planning and preparing actions to continue funding Church, Community, Family and youth groups in our communities.

Following our September Board meeting, the ACF has donated \$ 88,500 to 35 worthy charities in the Jurisdiction. We have another \$ 5,500 to donate by year end to reach the total of \$ 94,000, our required amount for 2019 as a registered charity.

Foundation Directors will continue to visit councils this year to share information about the Foundation's purpose, to explain how the Foundation obtains funds for charitable works, and to stress the importance of ongoing donations to the Foundation. We want to ensure that all Knights are aware of the Foundation and its work on their behalf.

As a registered charity, the Alberta Charitable Foundation invests conservatively to ensure it can meet its annual charitable obligations without dipping into its capital. Due to the prevailing low interest rates and our uncertain economy, our income from interest and dividends is much less than the level of giving we must maintain as a charitable foundation.

To make up the difference, we rely on your generosity. Your individual and council donations add to our share of the Charities Appeal ticket sales in supporting charitable giving.

This summer, my own Council at St. Bonaventure, was very successful in using the recently updated ACF brochure to raise funds for the ACF at a parish member's 50th anniversary party. You can obtain the brochure from Wally Streit in Edmonton and Willis Winter in Calgary.

As you plan your Council events for this Columbian year, please consider how you can incorporate fundraising for the ACF. It could be an event as St. Bonaventure Council did; it could be raising your sales of Charities Appeal tickets by 20 % to benefit both your Council and the ACF; or it could be.....?

On behalf of the Alberta Foundation Board, have a great Columbian Year!

Vivat Jesus!

Willis Winter,
President, Alberta Charitable Foundation

From the Columbia Director

By Gregory Amerongen

Dear Brother Knights!

Relative to the **Canadian content submissions** which Supreme desires to publish in the *Columbia*, let's make a great start to our new Columbian year by sending me any of the following two main types of stories:

1. Council events that are scheduled at least two to three months from when I would receive your submission. They should be characterized as very impressive and remarkable events that would attract the attention of other Canadian Knights throughout the province.

2. Council members who have served in extremely remarkable ways and whose lives reflect our principles to an unparalleled degree. They are our unsung heroes.

In closing, I thank everyone who participated in this area of fraternalism and look forward to the start of our next start on July 1st. In the meantime, brothers, please keep the *Columbia* event submissions coming!

Fraternally,

Br. Gregory Amerongen
Alberta-NWT State *Columbia* Chairman



From the Life Director

By Gregory Amerongen

Dear Brother Knights!

Get some LIFE into your councils! Here are our Knights of Columbus programs for this year. Your council is primed to participate in them. So, let's get launched. You will find more details about the particular programs on our **Supreme website under Programs** <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/programs/life/index.html>. Furthermore, our State Chairmen contact information will be available through our State Roster shortly. In the meantime, feel free to contact me any time.



NOVENA FOR LIFE (REQUIRED / NEW)



MARCH FOR LIFE (FEATURED)



CHRISTIAN REFUGEE RELIEF



MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS (NEW)



SPECIAL OLYMPICS (FEATURED)



Catholics must be committed to the defense of life in all its stages and in every condition” (St. John Paul II, 1995). The urgency of the threat to a culture of life in our world cannot be misunderstood. The Knights of Columbus vigorously defends the dignity of each human being at every stage of life. Councils and parishes can work to build a culture of life and a civilization of love through programs.

Lead your community in the spiritual fight to establish a culture of life in our nations.

Show public support for the right to life by attending the **Alberta March for Life on Thursday, May 14, 2020**. The brochure should be online by about March, 2020 at <https://albertamarchforlife.com/>.

Help save persecuted and at-risk Christians facing genocide all over the world, particularly in the Middle East.

Welcome individuals or families who might not normally feel comfortable participating in a regularly scheduled Mass.

Celebrate the intrinsic worth and dignity of every single human being.

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SILVER ROSE



Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life through this meaningful pilgrimage.

PREGNANCY CENTER SUPPORT (NEW)



Change public hearts and minds about abortion by showing love for both mother and child before and after birth.

ULTRASOUND (FEATURED)

Save lives and help women choose life by giving them the opportunity to view their unborn children on ultrasound machines at pro-life pregnancy centers.

For program details, go to the Supreme website: **Faith in Action: Life Programs:** <http://www.kofc.org/en/programs/life/index.html>
Questions: Gregory A. 587 566 4193 lifedirector@kofc.ab.ca



Fraternally,

Br. Gregory Amerongen
Alberta-NWT State Life Director

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make this approach successful.

As the Field of Dream movie goes, “if we build it, they will come”. Let us build this fraternal brotherhood and create reasons for our Brother Knights to come back and share this brotherly kinship within our council and parish. It is my firm belief that this fraternal approach will start to attract men and families to join our ranks.

Let me quote what our Supreme Chaplain Archbishop Lori wrote on the CHAPLAIN’S report, May 2019, volume 11, number 5 on encouraging smooth transitions:

“We should be encouraging a smooth transition that assimilates knowledge of the council’s dynamic and history. We should know the pressure points and what the men are passionate about. If new leadership doesn’t acknowledge this, councils can be fractured. As a chaplain, the shepherd of the council, we need your help to prevent this fracturing. We need to help new leaders, especially if they’re young, excitable, passionate, driven and zealous, honor those who came before them. We don’t want a new direction or new leadership to feel like a destruction of old ways. Instead, it needs to be a whole-hearted renewal.”

Fraternally,

*By: Leo Sosa
State Membership Director North*



Nine new members from five councils were exemplified by the Admissions Degree Team led by State Deputy Vince R. Reyes on September 14, 2019 at St. Joseph High School in Edmonton.

From the Faith Director

By Gary T. Sherman

Hello Worthy Brothers all, welcome to a new Columbian year 2019 -2020. Let us all strive to make this year a more memorable year full of faith filled programs in our Councils and Churches. You're Chaplain and Parish priests are counting on you to help make a difference. "Put your Faith into Action"

Please book a lunch with your parish Priest for all programs below. For lunch with him if possible include the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Program Director and Faith Director and the chairmen for the programs.

Please order the stand and booklets for the building of the domestic church kiosk, every church should have one to better inform and educate fellow Catholics on the catholic faith. In addition to your faith formation, have your council reflect on the into the breach prayer booklet at your executive meetings.

When your District Deputy comes to visit your Council, please book the Marian Hour of Prayer Icon "Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians" You will be surprised what Mary can do for you and your and your council so say "Yes" to Mary.

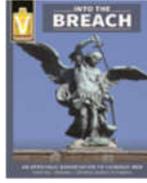
And lastly take a look at the Spiritual Reflection program and work towards organizing one when you have lunch with your council Chaplain

If you require any information on any Faith Program: ask your District Deputy when he visits or contact me whenever you like, my contact information is below and in your Roster, if you don't have a roster kindly check with the Grand Knight or Financial Secretary for the info.

May God Continue to bless you in your Ministry,



Gary T. Sherman
Alberta State Faith Director



From the State Barney Markowski Pennies for Heaven Chairman

By Brian Strawford

Worthy Brother Knights,

I hope everyone had a great summer with your family and friends.

With the fall season fast approaching it is time to get back into the business at hand.

Brother please take time to look into supporting our Bishops and our new Seminarians.

Though your financial support for Pennies for Heaven program.

If any Council or Assembly needing information or my support in fund raising for this worthy cause, please contact me.

For donations, please make your cheques payable to the Alberta K of C State Council Office and mail to:

K of C State Council Office
#4, 5579 47 Street,
Red Deer, AB T4N 1S1

May God Blessings be with all.

Fraternally Yours
Brian Strawford
Pennies for Heaven Chair-
man



From the Community Director

By Ross Szentmiklossy

K ofC Community Director Report:

Brother Knights there is no time like the present to take up some community projects or to become involved as a Community Chairman for State or at the Council level.

Coats for Kids, Disaster Preparedness, Essay Contest, Basketball Free Throw, Habitat for Humanity, Helping Hands, Soccer Challenge, and Global Wheelchair Mission are ways your council may participate.

Coats for Kids is a very popular and easy way to participate there are roughly 48 brand new coats in a box. Coats may be ordered through the Knight's store. Cost is just over \$300.00 per box. The big push is on for your council to make a commitment to contribute one box to a state held initiative to donate 1100 coats during Grey Cup festivities in Calgary.

Basketball free throw is open to all councils. It is time to order your basketball free throw kits and District Deputies to order your District Medals. The event takes place in January wrapping up in early April. Last year we had over 2000 participants of boys and girls ages 9 to 14.

Soccer Challenge has interest and is still active in some councils. There are kits available if you wish to become involved.

Should you like to take up any program or participate in any way the Directors and Chairmen are all listed in the state roster book.

I would personally like to thank Daniel Barth and his wife Elaine for organizing the KofC State sponsored wine and cheese after the opening Mass at the CWL National Convention at Saint Albert the Great Church in SE Calgary. There were a few hiccups but with his crew of Knights we wine and served appetizers to 865 ladies from all across Canada. This is once in 15 to 20 year event that it is held in Calgary.

Brother Knights I wish you and your Councils a successful year and you really don't know how high you can fly until you try.

Ross Szentmiklossy
State Community Director

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- Hamper Delivery, Pennies for Heaven and RSVP
- Encourage and support councils to achieve the Star Council Award
- Achieve the Circle of Honor. This has not been achieved in the past 3 years. If this has been accomplished in the past, we can do it this year
- Conduct leadership training not only in the cities but also in the rural areas
- 100% compliance on Supreme Council reports and requirements

By putting our hearts and minds together, as one body and spirit, we can accomplish so many wonderful things. Nothing is impossible. The sky is the limit. We can even move mountains!

As a source of inspiration of our mission, my slogan is: "Stewards of Faith and Action."

Thank you for your support and I look forward to working with you.

VIVAT JESUS!

By: Vince R. Reyes
State Deputy



Congratulations to GK John Leszkowicz and St. Bonaventure Council No. 7432 for winning the 2019 Supreme Council International Family Program Award with an entry as "Consecration to the Holy Family."



*Congratulations
Families of the Month
2018-2019*



May 2019

Pat & Gemma Leyne
Bruno & Alexandria Onyedika

St. Bonaventure Council #7432
Fr. Michael J. Troy Council#15290

June 2019

Brian & Tina Del Castilho
Vitalii & Veronika Varvaruk
Joffre & Colleen Mahe
Manuel Ibasco

St. Bonaventure Council #7432
Bishop Savaryn Council #9559
Our Lady of the Hill Council #13064
Fr. Michael J. Troy Council#15290



Winners of the Holy Family Picture

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ANNUAL STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Details to follow.

STATE ANNUAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT TO BE HOSTED BY
LUKE KILLORAN COUNCIL #4510 APRIL 3, 4 & 5, 2020

STATE ANNUAL CURLING TOURNAMENT TO BE HOSTED BY
FATHER DUNCAN MACDONNELL COUNCIL #6363
FEBRUARY 22, 23, 2020

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We offer our heartfelt sympathy and prayers:

Please keep in your prayers the soul of Brother Randall Drescher passed away August 18, 2019 May he rest in arms of the Lord.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*