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Words from our State Deputy

During this Lenten and Easter season, we have been stricken by this pandemic changing the way we live our lives and taking away our ability to receive the Holy Eucharist. We all acknowledge this is a time of epic global impact dealing with the corona virus. We all are trying to come to grips with this time in our lives where staying at home seems to be the best course of action to remain healthy. In doing so, we forfeit the daily luxuries and events we are accustomed to enjoying. But this sacrifice can bring us even closer to our Lord Jesus through prayer.

We, at the state level, want you to know that we are dedicated to you and will take every possible action needed for the safety and welfare of you and your families. As we move forward, our State Officers, State Advisor, District Master, Executive Secretary, General Agents, Program and Membership Directors and Teams will be providing council Grand Knights with information on a regular basis.

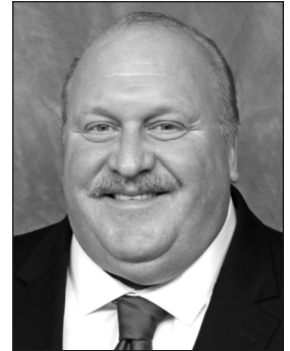
We are starting with information that would have been part of the state convention (i.e. awards, lottery, election of officers and election of Supreme delegates). Your council Grand Knights will be receiving information that they will be distributing to their council members informing them on these categories and other information dealing with future events.

Brother Knights, we are all one with you in prayer as we experience this pandemic as a State family. You can be assured that your Supreme and State leadership will do everything we can to provide as much information and guidance as we move forward. We thank you for all you have done in support of your council, church and community. With the power of prayer we will prevail.

May God bless you, your family and the world.

Fraternally yours,

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Prayer to St. Joseph

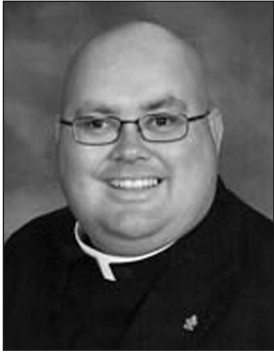
To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation. Through that charity which bound you to the immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be propitious to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness; and, as once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's children from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection.

Amen.

Prayers for the World During the Outbreak of the corona virus (Excerpted from the Enchiridion of Indulgences, 1969)

<https://catholicvoiceomaha.com/archbishop-lucas-asks-local-catholics-to-invoke-st-joseph>



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See the pin in color at
www.nebraskakofc.org
under Resources
Logos/Emblems

Words from our State Chaplain

St. Michael the Archangel, Pray for Us.

As we have very reverently begun the new fraternal year under the patronage of St. Michael the Archangel, I thought it would be fitting to reflect on who St. Michael is for us as Knights. To reflect more completely, I am writing a four-part series for "The Courier" as state chaplain on the four duties or responsibilities of St. Michael and how they call us to a greater defense of humanity.

The four duties or responsibilities of St. Michael are as follows:

- To combat satan.
- To escort the faithful to heaven at their hour of death.
- The third is to be a champion of all Christians, and the Church itself.
- And the fourth is to call men from life on Earth to their heavenly judgment.

In this issue, we look at the battle that is being fought between good and evil, combat with satan. Truth be told, there is a battle being fought, and the powers of hell will not prevail! It may seem at times in our culture and society that evil is winning, but this is one of the allurements of satan. He is not winning and will not win, because of the defense of St. Michael and all of the array of saints and angels watching over us. Yet, in a particular way, St. Michael is the warrior Angel, the defender. Scripture reminds us, "And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." (Matthew 16:18) And again "Then war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels battled against the dragon. The dragon and its angels fought back, but they did not prevail and there was no longer any place for them in heaven" (Revelations 12:7-8).

Thus, we see satan and his minion of evil forces have no power over us, primarily because St. Michael and the heavenly hosts are given their power by God Himself. They fight with the almighty power and protection of God, the armor of light. How much then should we call upon and request this help from on high?

As Knights, we are also fighting for humanity, for truth and dignity, for charity and unity, fraternity and a greater patriotism in our Nation under God. We need not worry or fret! We need not flee or hide! We need only to call down from heaven this great and mighty warrior, St. Michael. As a Knight and as a man of God, you have every aid you need to battle the evils that torment our families, our communities and our country.

**Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil;
may God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God, cast into hell
Satan and all the evil spirits
who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.**

Vivat Jesus

Fr. Josh Brown, Nebraska State Chaplain



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LOTTERY DRAWING WILL TAKE PLACE Even though the Convention Is Cancelled!

The State Lottery Drawing will be held the weekend of April 24th–26th, 2020. Information will be provided as we determine a way to “live-stream” the drawing. Tickets are \$10.00 each and there are nine prizes this year: \$2,500; \$1,000; \$750; \$500 and five \$100 prizes.

By now, you have received three 2020 State Lottery tickets in the mail. The money raised by selling these tickets helps support our 67 Seminarians and Vocation projects across our great state.

In order to mail out the lottery tickets, the Nebraska Gaming Commission required us put in “it is not necessary to purchase the ticket to be entered into the drawing” on each ticket. This has caused some confusion.

Our goal is to raise money for Vocations and the only way we’ll do that is for our members to return the filled out portion of the lottery tickets with \$10 per ticket. Together, with your prayers and financial support, we’ll make this year’s annual lottery a huge SUCCESS for our beloved Seminarians.

Return tickets and payment by April 20, 2020

Because the Convention was cancelled, all tickets and money MUST be returned by mail or hand delivered. They must be received by the State Warden no later than Monday April 20th, 2020. You need not be present to win. If you have questions or want additional tickets, please contact me at schae5252@gmail.com or call 402.651.9840.

Make checks payable to NE Knights of Columbus.

When returning lottery tickets and money by mail, send them to:

**State Warden Mike Schaeffer
4306 Sheridan Rd, Bellevue NE 68123-2259**

Please continue to pray for our Priests, Seminarians and everyone seeking to join the religious life. Shelly and I want to wish you and your family a Happy and Healthy Easter Season. Thanks for all you do!



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Refunds for Programs and Meals Have Been Processed

Online Payment

With the cancellation of the 2020 Nebraska State Convention, the convention coordinator co-chairmen have worked to process cancellations of meals and process refunds to credit cards in a timely fashion.

Payment by Check

All refunds will have been processed by the end of the day Wednesday, March 25, 2020 with checks returned or destroyed. If a request to have a check returned was not received by March 25, it was assumed that destroying the check is acceptable, and thus it was destroyed.

Hotel Room Reservations

Regarding individuals for whom the State has coordinated hotel rooms, the convention coordinators will manage room cancellations.

For individuals, or councils, who coordinated their own rooms, make sure you contact the hotel and cancel your room per hotel cancellation policies.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact one of your Convention Coordinator Chairmen.



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NEW DEGREE, NEW OPPORTUNITY

We all know that change is inevitable. But usually with change there comes opportunity and that is the case with the new Charity, Unity and Fraternity Degree. While the new Combined Degree is a big change from what many of us have come to know this change has created a great opportunity for the Patriotic Degree.

As the new Degree becomes more prominent we are going to be presented with ready-made candidates for the Patriotic Degree – New Third Degree Knights that are ready to learn how Catholics helped shape the beginning of this country and how our country helped promote the Catholic faith. To take advantage of this new opportunity Assemblies should make sure that there is a representative at every Combined Degree. An Assembly member should be ready to speak about the 4th Degree and invite the newly inducted Knights to join. To enhance the invitation each Assembly should order the following supplies: Patriotic Degree Folder—10377, Invitation to Join—10376, Invitation Card—2412E, and Form 4—4E. Combining these four items begins a good basic packet to invite members to join the Patriotic Degree.

Another advantage that is now ours is the fact that only in the Patriotic Degree does a man receive his Knighting.

Take this new opportunity to grow your Assembly and to build a group of Sir Knights and families that are ready to serve the Church, our Priests, the community and to help each other become stronger Catholics on the journey to our eternal home.

Vivat Jesus

Richard W Lowery, PSD, District Master - Nebraska



State Bowling Tournament Results Are In!

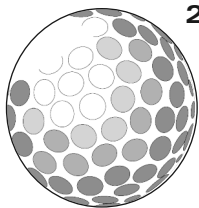
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2020 State Bowling Tournament Results

The State Bowling Tournament was held in West Point, NE on Feb 15, 16, 22 and 23, 2020. Thank you Chris Kreikemeier and team for hosting this tournament.

Listed below are the State Bowling Tournament winners:

Singles	Roger Cech	Total 734
Doubles	T.Reif/K. Schlautman	Total 1185
Team	Skywave #1	Total 3022
All Events	Travis Heller	Total 2008



2020 State Golf Tournament

The 2020 State Golf Tournament will be held on September 27 at Eagle Hills Golf Course in Bellevue, NE. More information will be in the June Courier.

I-80 Collar Series, Werner Park, June 14

The I-80 Collar Series will be held in Lavista at Werner Park on June 14, 2020. I know this is Corpus Christi Sunday but this is the only date in June that was open.

- The gates will open at 4:30 p.m.
- The Omaha team will practice from 4:00-4:45 p.m.
- The Lincoln team's practice is from 4:45-5:30 p.m.
- The first pitch will be at 6:05 p.m.

Ticket prices are:

- Children age 3 and under FREE
- Children age 4-13 \$5.00
- Adults \$10.00

Tickets will be available after May 1 at Gloria Deo in Omaha and Lincoln, and Cosgrave in Omaha; or contact PSD Lou Gasper in Lincoln at 402.476.0764 or Joe Bober in Omaha at 402.290.7954.

If purchasing tickets online or at Werner Park, there is a \$2.50 surcharge per ticket. Please remember all proceeds go to the Dioceses across Nebraska for vocation discernment programs.

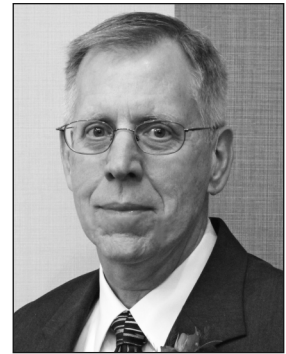
AWARDS WINNERS TO BE SELECTED SOON Virtual State Convention in the Works

As I'm sure you know by now, the COVID-19 virus has claimed the 2020 Nebraska Knight of Columbus Convention as a victim. While we won't be together in Kearney to celebrate our accomplishments in our usual way, we will still have ICC, Supreme, and State Award winners. Nebraska councils will be recognized for the good works they have done during the past year.

As I write this, the State Officers and State Directors and Membership Team have come up with a plan for the Awards Selection Meeting using a web-based video meeting. It will be as close as we can get to the traditional in-person meeting that is held each year to select the winners that are announced during the Awards Banquet at convention. Our goal is to select the most deserving councils to receive the awards that they have earned from the dozens of project reports that were submitted by the March 1 deadline.

The State Officers and Leadership team are brain-storming ideas in hopes of finding the best way to present a virtual State Convention to you on the same weekend that the original convention was scheduled. We hope to bring you some type of Awards Banquet, Lottery Drawing, voting for Supreme Convention delegates, and other topics of need and interest to all Knights of Columbus in Nebraska.

With self-isolation and social distancing going on around us, there will be some in your parishes who may need extra help. As Knights, please be aware of those needs and practice the Charity that Fr. McGivney had in mind when he founded the Order.



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World Day of Prayer for Vocations is May 3rd

On this day the Holy Father has asked all Catholics to intercede for vocations.

- Please make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priests and deacons in prayers throughout the week.
- Encourage your children or grandchildren to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary that more young men and women in our diocese will respond to God's call.

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Intellectual Disabilities Campaign at 83% Participation Asking for 100% before Fraternal Year End

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This year's intellectual disabilities campaign was a big success. Thank you to all of the councils that participated this year. Of Nebraska's 172 councils, 143 or 83 percent filed a report before the January 31 deadline to be considered for an ICC award.

Congratulations to Division 4 Councils on achieving 100 percent participation with all 39 councils reporting before the deadline.

By division, here is the participation breakdown: Division 1: 34 councils out of 50; Division 2: 34 councils out of 44; Division 3: 36 councils out of 39; and Division 4: 39 councils out of 39.

Total money collected this fraternal year is \$207,000. Half of that collected is designated for distribution to organizations that work with intellectually disabled individuals chosen by the councils. So far during this

fraternal year, checks totaling \$44,100 have been returned to Nebraska councils for distribution to their chosen organizations. The Foundation retains the other half for financial support of state 501(c)(3) organizations such as Nebraska Special Olympics, Madonna School, ARC, Mosaic and Villa Marie School and Smile.

While it's too late to be considered for an ICC award for 2019/2020, those councils that didn't submit a report are encouraged to send one in. To those councils in Divisions 1, 2 and 3 that may not have had a fund drive, please prayerfully consider submitting a donation of at least \$100. Let's reach 100 percent participation!

Thanks, again, to all who participated and if you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

YOU HAVE BEEN CHOSEN FOR FATHERHOOD Take up Your Cross



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We sincerely hope this Lenten season has found you and your family feeling closer to Christ as the reality of the Risen Lord inspires us all to yearn for His closeness.

With that as our backdrop, we once again challenge each Brother Knight to take up his cross and do whatever it takes to lead his family to heaven!

A short time ago, we provided a packet of information to each District Deputy to continue the discussion we began in the Christmas edition of Knights Courier. It included the following:

- A summary of the remarkable statistics on the importance of the father’s role in his family’s spirituality and the resultant call to action.
- Some ideas on how each council could proceed in this fatherhood ministry.
- A handful of the bookmarks and information on how to purchase additional bookmarks.

As we prayed for direction and confirmation that this ministry is indeed necessary and even vital, our prayers were answered in a very big way when we learned Supreme has created a series of videos on this very topic called “Into the Breach.” It is clear Satan has breached the protective wall of our families in his latest plan to reach our children. He is cunning enough to understand the best way to reach a man’s children is through their father. The videos explore the many facets of fatherhood and very directly and urgently ask fathers to re-evaluate their habits — to wake up and follow God’s plan for their families.

Bishop Olmsted of Phoenix, originally from the Diocese of Lincoln, was instrumental in the video content. It is a 12-part series and can be found at www.kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html

The quality of the videos is top-notch, and the content has the potential to be life-changing and culture-changing.



Video Topics

kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html

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| 1. Masculinity | 7. Prayer |
| 2. Brotherhood | 8. Suffering |
| 3. Leadership | 9. Sacramental Life |
| 4. Fatherhood | 10. Sacramental Life |
| 5. Family | 11. Evangelization |
| 6. Life | 12. The Cornerstone |



State and Regional Free Throw Contests Cancelled

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State and Regional Free Throw Contests have been cancelled and will not be rescheduled for the 2020 year.
State and Regional Free Throws will resume next year.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding during this trying time as we deal with Covid 19.

2020 State Soccer Challenge

At this time we are still planning on having the State Soccer Challenge on Saturday, October 26, 2020 at the Schuyler Middle School Field House. Keep this date in mind when scheduling local, district and regional contests.

Safe Environment Training

Safe environment training is ongoing and needs to be completed by all Grand Knights, Program Directors, Family Directors and Community Directors. Please be sure to report

officers and directors on forms 185 and 365. Include email addresses for them as Supreme will send an email out to each of them with information and ID to complete the online training. They will have 30 days to complete the training after receipt of the invitation from Supreme. The training is easy to do online and only takes about 30 to 45 minutes to complete.

Thank you for all you do for the youth in Nebraska. Keep safe and God bless you and your families.

BE A SUPREME DELEGATE

2020 Supreme Convention in Washington D.C. August 4-6, 2020
Tours and events starting August 1, 2020

Being optimistic, Supreme has planned their 138th annual convention in Washington D.C. Every 3rd Degree member of the Nebraska Knights of Columbus is eligible to represent the State Council as a delegate to the 138th Supreme Convention in Washington D.C., August 4-6, 2020. If you are interested in running for Supreme Delegate, contact your Financial Secretary.

Mandatory for a Supreme Delegate:

You will have to pay all expenses such as travel, hotels, and meals yourself. The State cannot help you. You will receive a reimbursement check at noon on Thursday, August 6. Delegates are reimbursed at the rate of \$400 per diem for lodging and meals and paid \$.30 per mile for the first 1,500 miles and \$.20 per mile over 1,500 miles.

- You must be a 3rd Degree member.
- You must have a credit card.
- You will need a white dinner jacket. Most rent one.
- You must stay in the convention hotel, the Washington D.C. Hilton.
- You must attend all business meetings.
- You must attend the Annual (Supreme Council) States' Dinner on Tuesday evening. The cost of the delegate's dinner will be deducted from your reimbursement check. You must pay for your spouse's dinner when completing your registration.
- The State Council will host a dinner Wednesday evening. The State Council will pay for your (and spouse's) meal. The Nebraska Bishops also attend.

Delegates will be chosen during the proposed Virtual State Convention the weekend of April 25-26, 2020. Watch for further updates on this meeting. (Also see pages 1, 3, and 5).



NO DEGREES DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING

Have new members sign up at www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html

In the unprecedented situation we now find ourselves, it is important to keep in mind both our Brother Knights and those who would one day become our Brothers. While it is important to always be looking to grow our councils by finding more Catholic Men who could benefit from joining our Order, current restrictions on gatherings may not make it practical to bring them in as soon as we would like. Keep in mind that you can bring them in immediately as e-members by having them go to www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html. Have them enter your council number as part of this process and they'll be ready to join your council as soon as you can resume normal council activities.

During this time of social distancing, it is impractical to expect that you are going to be finding large numbers of Catholic Men to join our Order. You may need to concentrate your efforts on making sure that your Brothers are taken care of - that they have someone to talk to while they are isolated, or may need some financial help if they lose their job and are not paid. We all need each other now, more than ever. Follow the example of Fr. McGivney - look after your Brothers.



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IMPORTANT DATES

FORM NO.	DATE	FORM/EVENT	TO/CONTACT
MAY 2020	May 11	Courier Articles Due	Courier Editor Duffi Goodrich
JUNE 2020	June 25	State Directory Updates Due	Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger
ABC/XXX	June 30	Applications for Vocatios Support/RSVP Refund	Supreme Council
10057	June 30	Food for Families Report/Refund	Supreme Council
SP-7	June 30	**Columbian Award Application	Supreme Council cc: Executive Secretary Ray Guggenberger

****May be filed electronically on the Supreme website.**



News from the NEIL PFEIFER AGENCY

Knights of Columbus Insurance Serving Northeast Nebraska and West Central Iowa



Craig Pfeifer
Agent of the Year
2019



Neil Pfeifer
General Agent

Congratulations!

The Neil Pfeifer Agency finished 14th in the Order for 2019. There are approximately 103 agencies in North America.



Noah Pfeifer



Stewart Havranek

AGENT OF THE YEAR FOR THE PFEIFER AGENCY

Craig Pfeifer, FSCP, MBA, FICE, and CLU of Madison earned the Agent of the Year honors for the Neil Pfeifer Agency. Craig was the #1 Field Agent for the State of Nebraska. He also finished as the #2 Assistant General Agent in the order at 359% of quota! He also qualified for the Supreme Knights Club and Million Dollar Round Table. Congratulations, Craig!

AGENTS OF THE MONTH

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

Dec Noah Pfeifer of Norfolk

Jan Stewart Havranek of Omaha

Feb Stewart Havranek of Omaha

We Are Here for You!

Brother Knights and Families,

I felt it prudent to make it known what we are doing at the Knights of Columbus Swanson and Pfeifer Agencies to continue operations for our 26,000+ members here in Nebraska during the COVID-19 outbreak. This is something that we are taking very seriously both locally, and globally at Supreme. We are working to continue operations in a manner that you would expect, and frankly, in areas that we would like to exceed your expectations.

We are still continuing in-person meetings when prudent but are also offering a virtual option with Skype to avoid any unnecessary risks for you and your families. Our main offices are open, and the office staff is available to help with your every need. We have many tools to help you and your families virtually when necessary, like video conferencing, internet-based applications, retirement planning software, the good old fashion telephone. We are still able to provide a consultative, personal, data encrypted meeting from a distance to keep not only your family safe, but your information as well. We are happy and ready to help!!

Our agent advisors are working on completing policies that many of you have already requested. We are also working

diligently on all service requests. Our agent advisors have been reaching out to many older Brothers and widows to see if they need assistance as a wellness checkup. Now is the time to pull together. Now is the time for us to act as one – and we are ready for the challenge

At our Agencies, we are all working hard to ensure your families continue to have access to our best-in-class Advisors, Life Insurance, Long Term Care, Disability, Annuities, and Financial Planning Software. Many of you are well aware of the amazing benefits you receive as policyholders with the Knights of Columbus, not the least of which is the GUARANTEE that you will never lose money in your IRAs, 401k rollovers, Roth IRA's, and non-qualified accounts. Much of our time has been spent reassuring people that their life insurance is in force and that they haven't lost a dime with the Knights of Columbus. This is a tradition that we are proud to proclaim in uncertain and tumultuous times like these.

Please know that we are here for you, ready and willing to help in any way possible. Our office staff and agents are always available to answer your call. May the Lord bless and protect you and your families now and forever!!

- Neil Pfeifer, General Agent -

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

News from the TONY SWANSON AGENCY

Knights of Columbus Insurance Serving Southeast, Central and Western Nebraska



Spencer Ashburn
Agent of the Year
Runner-up



Tim Nowak
Agent of the Year
2019

Congratulations!

AGENT OF THE YEAR FOR THE SWANSON AGENCY

Tim Nowak, FICF of Ogallala earned Agent of the Year honors for the agency. Tim finished #26 out of approximately 1,400 agents at 228% of quota. Tim also qualified for the Supreme Knight's Club and Million Dollar Round Table. Congratulations, Tim!

AGENT OF THE YEAR RUNNER-UP

Spencer Ashburn, FICF of Lincoln earned Agent of the Year Runner-Up honors for the agency. Spencer finished #112 out of approximately 1,400 agents at 150% of quota. Congratulations, Spencer!

AGENTS OF THE MONTH

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

Dec Dcn. Bill Buchta of Grand Island

Jan Spencer Ashburn of Lincoln

Feb John Soukup of Lincoln



Deacon Bill Buchta



Spencer Ashburn



John Soukup



Deacon Eric Parker Joins the Swanson Agency

After extensive training and licensing, Deacon Eric Parker has been appointed to the position of Field Advisor with Knights of Columbus Insurance effective April 1st. Parker will be serving in the Swanson Agency. Eric and his wife, Colleen, live in North Platte and are active members of St. Patrick's Church.

Eric will be serving members and their families from councils 1126 (McCook), 1211 (North Platte – St. Pat's), 2693 (Indianola), 4979 (Ogallala), 7081 (Imperial), 7734 (Arapahoe/ Cambridge), 7778 (Grant), 10163 (Benkelman/Stratton), 10506 (North Platte – Holy Spirit), and 12530 (North Platte – Fr. McGivney).

Eric can be reached at (308) 530-4289 or eric.parker@kofc.org.

Introducing the Knights of Columbus Protector Guaranteed Individual Universal Life Policy

This new life insurance program is now available to members and their spouses 50 – 80 years of age. This policy provides guaranteed lifetime protection with premiums that are typically lower than traditional whole life programs. Call your local agent to see if the Protector would be a good option for your life insurance needs.

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Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation

TYPES OF GIFTS



Daniel Wells



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Foundation Advisors

Cash Gifts

To make a cash gift, mail a check payable to Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation, PO Box 98, Elkhorn, NE 68022, or visit www.catholicgift.org to make a gift online. On the Southern Nebraska home page, hit the DONATE button, follow the prompts to the drop-down menu where you'll find the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation, and then make either a one-time gift or a recurring gift via electronic funds transfer (EFT), or your credit card.

Gifts of Stock or Mutual Funds

To make a gift of stock or mutual funds, contact **The Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska** at 402-488-2142, or send an email request to chris-raun@catholicgift.org. He will provide you with the instructions you need to transfer stock or shares of mutual funds directly to the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation.

Gifts of Grain

If you own grain that you would like to donate to the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation, call Chris Raun or Claire Pohlen at The Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska and they will provide you with simple instructions for a grain donation. If your local elevator or co-op doesn't already have a Catholic Foundation of Southern Nebraska account, call **Chris Raun at 402-488-2124** and one will be immediately opened to receive your gift (transfer) of grain. The Foundation's account will receive the donation, the grain will be immediately sold, and a check will be sent directly to The Catholic Foundation for deposit into the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation. There will be no fees charged by The Catholic Foundation to diminish your gift.

It's always a good time to give!

Please mail your donations to:

**Nebraska State Council
McGivney Foundation
PO Box 98
Elkhorn, NE 68022-0098**

Memorials

People often struggle to decide where memorial money should be directed at their deaths. For an active and committed member of the Knights of Columbus, the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation is a natural choice for a memorial gift or planned estate gift. A memorial gift to the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation will be a gift of principal which, when endowed, will continue to generate ongoing gifts to charity every year into perpetuity. It is a one-time gift that becomes an ongoing legacy gift.

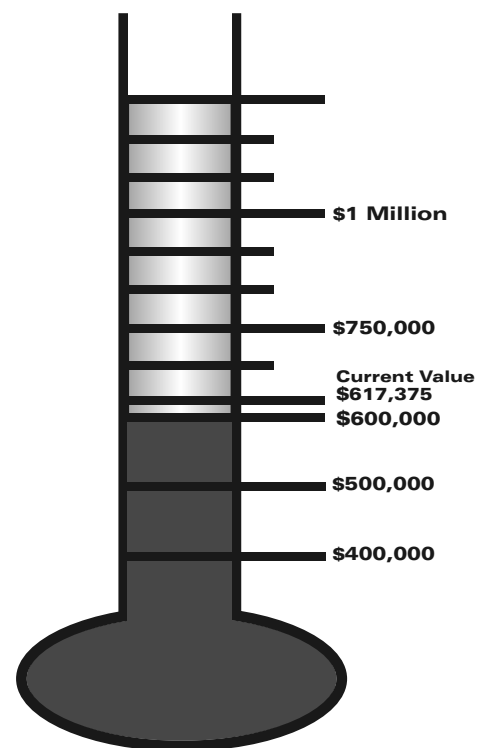
Gift Acknowledgement

In all cases, once your gift is received, you will receive a gift acknowledgement letter. With the exception of grain donations, you can use the acknowledgement letter to claim a charitable deduction from your income tax. In the case of a grain donation, the acknowledgement letter will confirm and thank you for your gift. Once sold, the value of the grain sold will constitute your gift, and you will not have to pay income tax on the value of the grain donated.

Questions?

For further information on any and all types of gifts that can be made to the Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation call **Chris Raun or Claire Pohlen at 402-488-2124** or email Chris at chris-raun@catholicgift.org.

Build Up Your Foundation



**Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation
Request for Funds**

In December, 2001, the Knights of Columbus Nebraska State Council McGivney Foundation was created. Since that time, the Foundation has attracted donations from Knights of Columbus members throughout Nebraska. These donations are endowed and become a source of grants for charitable projects, programs and other good works funded by the Knights of Columbus throughout Nebraska

Submit request to

Dan Wells at danielwells5@gmail.com or Don Ferneding don.ferneding@gmail.com
 Phone numbers: Dan Wells: 402-880-2586 DonFerneding: 402-943-6320
 US Postal address: PO Box 98, Elkhorn, NE 68022

Please complete the following information as completely as possible. **Date:** _____

Organization Information	
Name of Organization:	_____
Contact Name and Title:	_____
Address:	_____
Phone: ____-____-____ Cell: ____-____-____ Email:	_____
Website address:	_____
Is this organization recognized as a nonprofit or charity by the IRS? Y or N _____	<small>Tax ID if Yes</small>
Has your organization received funds from the Foundation in the past Y or N?	_____

Council information (must be completed)	
Council Name and Number: _____	<small>Name Council Number</small>
Grand Knight's Name:	_____
Grand Knight's Phone Number: ____-____-____ Email:	_____

Funding Information
Amount Requested: \$ _____.
Provide a detailed description of how these funds will be used: Include all other funds received, their dollar amounts and how the local council(s) have contributed to this project. Attach additional pages if needed.

To be completed by the Foundation				
Voting: For: _____ Against _____ Abstain _____	Status			
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ONE LIFE, ONE ROSE: Our Lady Of Guadalupe Silver Rose Program

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE PROGRAM

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Program began in 1960 as a project of the Knights of Columbus Columbian Squires of North America to honor the Blessed Virgin under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. The program has continued since then as a project in several Knights of Columbus jurisdictions.

Each year, a Silver Rose "honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe and reaffirming our commitment to the sanctity of human life" is carried by Knights from Canada, through the United States, and into Mexico to arrive at the Basilica in Monterrey, Mexico on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Read more on the history of the Silver Rose program at: www.runningoftherose.org/en/news/background.html

ARRIVAL IN NEBRASKA

Conditions permitting, the Silver Rose will arrive on Sunday, August 9, 2020, and cross our state. We'll pass it on Sunday, September 9, 2020. The location of the Rose entering and leaving Nebraska has not yet been determined.

ADD YOUR COUNCIL TO THE HOST LIST

The proposed Silver Rose route through Nebraska with confirmed dates will be set soon and finalized before the Grand Knights seminar in July. Those District Deputies and Grand Knights of councils participating in this year's program will be asked to help with the transition of the Silver Rose to ensure a smooth hand-off from council to council.

As Knights, the sanctity of life is something we hold dear. Volunteer to participate and "honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, reaffirming our commitment to the sanctity of human life."