



Utah State Update



STATE DEPUTY'S MESSAGE

What's on your "Knight's Bucket List"?

I am grateful! I am grateful for my family, my health, and for all the graces I've been granted. As the State Deputy I am grateful for you my brothers and for all that we are doing here in Utah. I'm very grateful for the attendance and participation we had at the Midyear Meeting. We had at least one Knight attend from 28 of our 34 active councils, that is 82%. While I'm a perfectionist and want 100% participation, I'm proud and grateful we had so many — especially given all the challenges we face with not knowing technology, work, family, the pandemic, etc. Also, this is pretty close or equal to the participation we normally get when meeting in person. If you are from one of the councils that couldn't make it for whatever reason, please reach out to me, one of the state officers, your District Deputy, or go back and watch the recorded session. The state website has the resources gathered together, [go directly to those links.](#)

I'm also grateful that I've been able to check many things off my "Knight's Bucket List." What do I mean by a "Knight's Bucket List"? I put down a list of goals or things I want to accomplish with my time as a Knight. This list includes things I want to accomplish as a state officer, things I wanted to do when I was a Grand Knight or Faithful Navigator, along with things in general that I want and wanted with my time as a Knight. I encourage you to create your own bucket list. At the Midyear meeting we discussed some of these bucket list items during the "Exploring Your Why" section based on the responses given during registration. As a reminder the top two reasons as to why attendees joined the Knights was "To Help my community/Parish" and "To grow in my faith." Overwhelmingly the number one answer given for why did the attendees become an officer or leader was "I want to help my council grow and improve." Do your bucket list items help you with these?

It was suggested during the Midyear Meeting to send out a survey when conducting remote or virtual programs, so we followed our own advice and sent out a survey to the attendees. Thank you to those that responded. The responses showed that the meeting was a very positive experience and that the information provided was beneficial. 88% felt the meeting was just the right length or wanted longer, the breaks were good, and the overall feedback was very positive. The favorite parts of the meeting (per the responses and in no particular order) were: State Chaplain remarks, conducting programs virtually, explaining the new form 10784, changes to safe environment, and exploring your why.

During the District Deputy part of the Midyear Meeting Ryan quoted me saying "Just do something." I encourage you to keep up the good work, just do something, and keep checking items off your "Knights bucket list." As I stated during my opening and closing remarks, let's focus on what we can do, not what we can't. And to quote our Regional Growth Director Ray Lopez in regards to membership growth "one is better than none," so keep asking men to join. 12 months free online membership for new members has been extended to June 30th with the promo code MCGIVNEY2020, use this as a tool and conversation starter.

Vivat Jesus!

Nick Nielson

Utah State Deputy



Holy Father's Prayer Intention

Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

Offered in Solidarity
with Pope Francis



THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY FAMILY.

The month of February is dedicated to the [Holy Family](#). This year the first 16 days of February fall during the liturgical season known as [Ordinary Time](#) which is represented by the liturgical color green. Green, the symbol of hope, is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. The remaining days of February are the beginning of [Lent](#). The liturgical color changes to purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

LIFE 2021

The “March for Life Car Rally” may be over, but there are still ways to show your support for life!

Pro-Life Utah has a new **mobile van for ultrasounds**. It does need one other piece of equipment purchased and with the matching funds from Supreme, we only need to raise \$15,500. for the new ultrasound machine! Send donations to **State Secretary Bill Kelly** (11533 S Thornberry Court, Draper, UT 84020). As all funds for the state are sent to the State Secretary, be sure to indicate it's for the ultrasound so it's not confused with donations for Special Olympics, the diocesan science fair, council per-capita, etc.

Pregnancy Resource Center of Salt Lake City has begun its annual **Baby Bottle Campaign**! Each year, more than 25% of their annual budget is raised by collecting donations in baby bottles from more than 40 participating churches in the Salt Lake valley area. Due to COVID-19 and its impact on our church partners, most of the 2020 Baby Bottle Campaign was cancelled. This year they are adding a “Virtual” option for those church partners still meeting remotely. In addition, they will continue with their normal baby bottle distribution including promotional materials both digitally and in print. Haven't started yet? Pick your own dates! The campaign typically runs for four (4) consecutive weeks. More information is available online at <https://prcpartnersut.org/events/baby-bottle-campaign/>



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DIOCESAN SCIENCE FAIR

The 25th Annual **Knights of Columbus Diocesan Science and Engineering Fair** will be held online this year on Saturday, **February 6th**. If you are interested in helping us by serving as a judge for our virtual fair this year, time is running short! Please register on the website at: https://ut-dsefzfairs.com/#jm_DIV (Click the “Judge’s Main” tab at the top, then use the “Create Account” section on the right side).

We encourage judges to judge from home if possible. However, if you are interested in judging but do not have adequate computer (camera, speakers & microphone are all needed) or internet capabilities at home, we will provide access to a limited number of computers at Juan Diego Catholic High School (300 East 11800 South, Draper) on the day of the fair. In the online registration, you will be asked to select whether you are able to judge from home or whether you need to use a computer at JDCHS.

Reminder: Councils, Assemblies, and individuals sponsor the various awards (trophies and cash prizes) at the fair; it's not part of the state council budget. Please don't delay in sending your donation check to **State Secretary Bill Kelly** (11533 S. Thornberry Court, Draper, UT 84020). If you donated in previous years and are unable to this year, please let Bill know right away! New donors are always welcome.

Thank you and we appreciate your willingness to help this year! Any updated news will be added to the state website's Science Fair announcement page at www.UtahKnights.org/2020/12/kofc-diocesan-science-fair-06-feb-2021/

The most recent report placed the number of judges at 64 (the goal is 100 judges), and the number of science fair projects at 110. Remember each project is judged multiple times (typically at least 3); and with those numbers, each judge would evaluate a minimum of 5 projects. The more judging done, the more feedback can be provided to the students.

SOCKS FOR HEROES

The first distribution of socks was held at the George E. Wahlen Ogden Veterans (Nursing) Home. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, 100+ socks were given to the staff for distribution to the residents.

Pictured are (left to right) District Marshal Stacey Yeager, Faithful Navigator Andy Beck, VA Volunteer Sir Knight Al Hollywood, VA health workers Andrea Dixon and Lisa Whitman, Color Corps Commander Peter Abercrombie and Utah District Master of the Fourth Degree Dick Hall.

Note: Socks for Heroes is an annual program conducted by the fourth degree assemblies in Utah.

For more Fourth Degree news, see **page 7** in this newsletter.



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

January 25, 2021

Where does Utah stand?

New Member Growth Goal is **200**; Actual New Member Growth is **52**.

Councils with new Members this year is **14** (of 37 total councils).

- Share this link with someone interested in joining the Knights
<http://www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/about-membership/index.html>
- Review incentive tracking at <https://utahknights.org/recruiting/>

Monthly Council Challenge (padfolio and pen to each)

- Jul: GK SK George H. Jockisch (5214); Recruiter Bill Kelly (12181).
- Aug: GK SK George H. Jockisch (5214); Recruiter Eric T. Domyan (14764).
- Sep: GK Mike Sweetland (9849); Recruiter Nick Nielson (5502).
- Oct: GK Joe Nesi (5502); Recruiter Joe Bouley (5502).
- Nov: GK Louis Mandrigues (10733); Ray Lopez (1136).
- Dec: GK Mike Sweetland (9849); Recruiter Rafael Castillo (5214).

Fast Start (Q1): Council 9849 (At the council's request, \$250 to Coats for Kids instead of BBQ).

Top Grand Knight (\$50)

Q1: Scott Lewis, (12181)

Q2: Robert Dieringer, (1129)

Insurance Challenge (\$250 for charity)

Q1: Council 7961 (Coats for Kids)

Q2: TBD

Quarterly Best Performing Council (\$100 to parish or priest)

Q1: Council 602 (Cathedral Parish)

Q2: Council ineligible (incomplete paperwork)

Top Recruiter Per Quarter (\$100)

Q1: N/A (minimum not met)

Q2: N/A (minimum not met)

District Deputies (\$50)

Q1: Andy Beck DD#1

Q2: Frank Lesar DD#11

Ryan Graveley

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VIRTUAL MIDYEAR MEETING (JANUARY 9, 2021)

Need a refresher from something presented at the Midyear Meeting? The resources and links from the meeting are available at www.UtahKnights.org/files-and-links/#20210109

- ⇒ Midyear Meeting Agenda ([PDF](#)); PowerPoint Presentation ([PDF](#), 134 pages)
- ⇒ Video — GoToWebinar Recording ([YouTube](#))
- ⇒ Video — [Supreme Knight's Address – For Use at Jurisdictional Midyear Meetings](#)
- ⇒ Video — [A Witness for the World: The Global Impact of Blessed Michael McGivney](#)
(shown during the lunch break)

AWARD SUBMISSIONS DUE MARCH 15TH

Did you notice what was missing from the calendar on the right? Award Submissions! They're **ALL** due on (or before) **March 15th** to the State Deputy. Your council's four best Faith in Action programs (Community, Faith, Family, Life), and selections for Family of the Year, Knight of the Year, and Chaplain of the Year! Don't count yourselves out because of the pandemic — all of us were impacted by it! Need more information?

Review the Jan. 25 State Training "[How to Write State Awards](#)" at www.UtahKnights.org/training/#State.

Remember The Fourth Degree Assembly "To Be A Patriot" submission goes to District Master Dick Hall.



www.UtahKnights.org



Any Day www.kofc.org/ceremonials

MM/DD Event/Activity

- 1/31 Fraternal Survey Due ([Form 1728](#))
- 1/31 Free Throw Report Due (Use [Form 10784](#))
- 1/31 Special Olympics Partnership Profile Report Due ([Form 10784](#) replaced [Form 4584](#))
- 1/31 DEADLINE: [Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest](#) (to councils)
- 2/6 KofC [Diocesan Science Fair](#) - Judges Needed! - Donations Due!
- 2/13 Patriotic (Fourth Degree) Exemplification [Information Packet](#)
- 2/14 Family of the Month Due [Form](#) or [Form 10784](#)
- 2/15 Semi-Annual Audit Due [Form 1295](#)
- 2/15 President's Day
- 2/17 Ash Wednesday
- 2/17— 40 Days for Life www.40daysforlife.com
- 3/28 DEADLINE: [Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest](#) (posters to DDs)
- 2/21 First Sunday of Lent
- 2/22 State Training (Using Social Media, PDF Forms). [Register in advance](#)
- 2/27 BENEFIT SEMINAR: "Prospering in a Post-COVID World" Joe Jordan.
- 3/14 Family of the Month Due [Form](#) or [Form 10784](#)
- 3/17 Saint Patrick's Day
- 3/18 TBD [Supreme Webinar](#)
- 3/22 State Training. Topic TBA.
- 3/24 Chrism Mass @ Cathedral
- 3/25 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
- 3/28 Palm Sunday

Below is information from state chairman Bill McCauley who handles the Essay Contest and our two Poster Contests. All of these contests are open to both boys and girls. Questions may be sent online at www.UtahKnights.org/knight/William-McCauley/

THE CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST

THE KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

These contests are complete at the state level. State winners will be announced later this month.

State-wide participation was 145 essays (to 9 councils), and 220 Keep Christ in Christmas Posters (from 4 councils).

Entries were submitted in 8 of Utah's 11 districts for these two contests.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST (UTAH STATE COUNCIL CONTEST)

The Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest is open to ages 8 — 11 and 12—14. The contest has two category divisions: "Alcohol Awareness and Abuse" and "Drug Awareness and Abuse". This is no longer a program through the Supreme Council, so visit the state website for materials (guidebook, entry forms, etc.) www.UtahKnights.org/programs/#state_poster_contest

Timeline:

NOW — Councils receive posters for the contest.

Select 1st/2nd/3rd in each age group & category.

Announce winners and award prizes from council.

2/21/2021 — Council first place winners to District Deputy (one for each age group & category).

3/15/2021 — District Deputy submits (first place in each age/category) winners to State Chairman Bill McCauley for state judging.

4/15/2021 — State (first place) winners selected for each age/category.

Pro Tips: The 1/31 deadline can be adjusted by the council, as long as council winners are to their District Deputy by 2/21. DD can be flexible about the 2/21 deadline; the district winners need to be selected and submitted by 3/15.

Entry forms can be distributed after Mass at the parish, or through your local catholic school.

Councils should determine their own prizes of cash and/or certificates and/or something else. The State will award certificates and a check for \$25, \$20, or \$15 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winning posters in each age group and category.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH: COUNCIL 5502'S SCOTT & HOLLY DODGE

The Dodge family is THE consummate Catholic family whose parish involvement is central in their very religious lives. [Husband] Scott, a Marine veteran, serves as the parish Deacon and also instructs RCIA. Two years ago, he completed his Doctor of Ministry from Mount Angel Seminary. Anyone who takes a walk with him will enjoy spirited prayer and the rosary. [Wife] Holly serves as Music Ministry chair, preparing the weekly songs and playing the piano with the choir and cantors. She is also the Catholic representative for the community religious musical concerts. Her children accompany her with singing and playing other instruments. Their six children have attended parochial school and three have been involved with the Faith Formation program. Activities also have included the youth group, Boy and Girl Scouts (receiving scout religious awards), altar serving and being part of the church cleaning crew. Scott and Holly's demanding schedule has them supporting different masses but they insist on "family time" during evening meals.

Note: The above copied from submission by Grand Knight 5502 Joe Nesi on Form 10668 the "Family of the Month Entry Form" on January 13, 2021 for the council's December 2020 entry. Used with permission.

Editor's Note: Family of the Month submissions should now be submitted using the "Fraternal Programs Report Form #10784" which is submitted online at www.kofc.org/FIAForms For more information about the Family of the Month program, see page 9 for information from the State Family Director, DD#7 Tim Soran, Jr.



STATE SECRETARY'S CORNER

My Brother Knights, I hope that January has treated you and your families well and that after our recent Midyear Meeting you are now motivated to promote a strong finish in both your councils and parishes as we march forward to the end of the fraternal year. It was great to hear the attendance report where we had over 85 brother knights who participated in our virtual meeting. I hope that the information we presented was both valuable and clear cut providing you enablers to obtain the Star, Columbian, McGivney and/or Founders awards. No doubt, this year has had its challenges, but the Utah Knights have exceeded expectations with the many hours and dollars that you have already contributed during this pandemic.

During the month of January, I attended seven council meetings, 6 virtual and 1 in person. Although virtual meetings do not allow for direct personal interface, Zoom, GoToMeeting and other platforms do enable the state officers to have a visible presence in your councils without commuting. At these meetings I was able to hear your concerns and then was able to get back to you on a near real time basis with answers. In addition, I learned about several council initiatives for fund raising like drive thru breakfasts, burritos, and pizza sales; activities that minimize public contact but enable these councils to provide financial support to their chosen charities. Please, please continue to invite your assigned state officers to your virtual meetings so we can more effectively share ideas across the state.

As I wrote this letter at the end of January there are several items that require your immediate attention. We have several deliverables to the Supreme Council on January 31st and I need your help with forms submission. The Form 1728, Fraternal Survey and 27 of our 34 councils have not submitted. This form is necessary for your council to be eligible for the Star council award. The Special Olympics Report, Form 4584 or Form 10784 (preferred), we have only received 6. Submission of the Special Olympics form with just your financial contributions and minimal service hours will count towards providing more Supreme funds to Utah in support of the Special Olympics. Lastly, the semiannual audit is just around the corner on February 15th. This form is needed to maintain your council's tax-exempt status with our friends at the IRS. So even if you have missed the deadlines, get these forms in as soon as you can to receive council credit.

Now, on a positive note, my monthly update to our charitable contributions at the end of January: Native Americans \$2565; Carmelites \$6,605; Coats for Kids \$7,873; Ultrasound \$2,625; Special Olympics \$2,455; Science Fair \$1,520; Culture of Life \$100; and Scholarship \$60. Total contribution year to date exceed \$28,000 - Thank you, my brother knights for your kindness in supporting these important charities.

In the administrative area, I would like to thank 20 of our councils who have paid their council's state's per Capita this year. Year-to-date, we have collected \$16,777 of the \$27,717 budgeted. These monies enable the state council to operate and provide funding to the various programs funded at the state level based on the approved budget at our last state convention. Speaking of convention, save the dates, April 30th through May 1st. We are optimistic about an in-person convention but only time will tell.

Again, thanks for your assistance on these matters, and if any of you have any questions or issues please reach out to me.

Vivat Jesus!

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IN MEMORIAM

Listed are our brother Knights that we have lost recently (12/25/2020 — 1/24/2021).

Eternal rest grant upon them and may perpetual light shine upon them. Please pray a Hail Mary in honor of these Knights after you read the list.

In addition to the council's Financial Secretary notifying the supreme council, please remember to inform State Secretary Bill Kelly when a member passes away.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>DOD</u>
George Gudac	7401	01/05/2021
Rev. Clyde Curnutte	SLC Diocese retiree	01/05/2021
George Johnson	12181	01/06/2021
Father Ubald Rugirangoga	Hospitalized in Utah	01/07/2021
Rev. Reynato (Rene) Rodillas	5502	01/08/2021
Douglas Tuite	11479	01/08/2021
Jeremy Jacques	5214	01/09/2021
Manuel Gonzales	10733	01/09/2021
Joaquin Jaramillo	6739	01/24/2021

Council Membership Goal Percent as of 1/21/2021

Council	Grand Knight	LOCATION	% QUOTA
9849	Michael Sweetland	St. James/Ogden	100%
12181	R Scott Lewis	Draper	73%
5214	George Jockisch	Kearns	50%
5502	Joe Nesi	Bountiful	50%
602	Rene Contreras	Cathedral	40%
777	Jerry Bedel	St. Joseph/Ogden	33%
10733	Louis Mandrigues	St. George	33%
12959	Cory Meacham	Logan	33%
14764	Richard Green	St. Catherine UofU	33%
16127	Richard Houghton	Hill AFB	33%
7961	David McDonald	St. Joseph the Worker	25%
1129	Robert Dieringer	Park City	0%
1136	Alex Tarazon	Provo/Orem	0%
2611	John Flores	Helper	0%
5347	George D Fuller	Brigham City	0%
6010	Dennis Martinez	Layton	0%
6147	Tim Peczu	Price	0%
6739	Thomas M Goonan	Tooele	0%
6966	Chad D Alessandro	Blessed Sacrament	0%
7401	Warren Feldt	Vernal	0%
8350	Jose Munoz	West Valley City	0%
8606	Rogelio Castaneda Jr	American Fork	0%
9561	Michael E Hacking	Payson	0%
9731	Anthony Moore	Magna	0%
10304	Reyes Montoya	Taylorsville	0%
11246	David Webb	Cedar City	0%
11479	Danny Schoenfeld	St. Thomas More	0%
11812	Unassigned	Wendover	0%
12264	Larry Martinez	St. Patrick	0%
13297	Edward Deffner	St. Vincent de Paul	0%
13646	Charlie Millard	Midvale	0%
14239	Chris Barrera	Riverton	0%
14399	Mike Dannenmueller	South Ogden	0%
15418	Paul B Buckley	St Ambrose	0%
15741	Unassigned	Our Lady of Guadalupe	0%
16006	Unassigned	Sacred Heart	0%
17140	Alex Aerts	Copperton	0%

DISTRICT DEPUTIES PERCENT OF MEMBERSHIP GOAL as of 1/21/2021

District	Deputy	% Quota
1	Andy Beck	70%
3	Larry Page	53%
8	Mark Meredith	33%
2	Paul Tinker	31%
6	Mike Middlemiss	31%
10	Mark Dylla	13%
4	John Chavez	0%
5	Larry Zubel	0%
7	Tim Soran Jr.	0%
9	Brian Duncan	0%
11	Frank Lesar	0%



Grow in Faith

Join now and your first year is free

kofc.org/join
Promo code: MCGIVNEY2020

Knights of Columbus



Serve your Parish

Join now and your first year is free

kofc.org/join
Code: MCGIVNEY2020

Serve our Church

Knights of Columbus

Looking for updated recruiting status information?
www.UtahKnights.org/recruiting/

See all the upcoming activities and events going on in the state online!
Current events listing at www.UtahKnights.org/category/current/
or visit www.UtahKnights.org/events/ for the complete list.

"TO WHAT DEGREE"

FOURTH DEGREE NEWS AND VIEWS



Dick and Jane Hall

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As leader of the Patriotic Degree for the state of Utah, I deem it important to encourage prayer for our country. At holy hour this month, I came across this prayer to Mary for our country. Cut this out and put it by your bed stand or buy your couch or wherever you pray often..

Utah celebrated its first 4th degree exemplification of 2021 as a Virtual Degree. As we progress with the COVID vaccine distribution the time will come when it will be great to get back to the personal touch of seeing the reaction and expressions of the new Sir Knights at the time we participate in person at the ceremony. With that said, congratulations to the sixteen (16) new Sir Knights who received the honors of the Fourth Degree virtually on Jan 16. There were candidates from nine (9) councils join seven (7) assemblies of ten (10) assemblies in Utah. At your Assembly and Council meetings, please congratulate our newest Sir Knights: SK Joe Alires (C=5214, A=1144), SK Francis Le (C=5214, A=1144), SK Erik Brown (C=7961, A=1144), SK Daniel Eatchel (C=9849, A=1429), SK Andrew Beck (C=10733, A=2393), SK Harrold Egger (C=10733, A=2393), SK Daniel Weber (C=10733, A=2393), SK Deacon Jeff Allen (C=13297, A=2577), SK Deacon David Osman (C=13297, A=2577), SK Daniel Quintanilla (C=14764, A=2636), SK Bruce Baron (C=15418, A=2636), SK Paul Lupo (C=5502, A=3586), SK Chuck Mitchel (C=5502, A=3586), SK Michael Nafus (C=5502, A=3586), SK Anthony Barry (C=6739, A=3758), And SK Harry Holoboski (C=6739, A=3758).

Additional fourth degree exemplification ceremonies have been planned! Mark your calendars now, and watch the Utah KofC state website for details (on the calendar and/or fourth degree page).

* **Saturday, 13-FEB-2021**, the Colorado District is hosting one for the Four Corners States (AZ, CO, NM, UT); it's in the afternoon with check-in at 1:00 PM.



"Sir Knight is more than a title...it's an honor."



Father Dominguez Assy. #1144

Serving Councils: 5214, 7961, 8350, 10304

Father Escalante Assy. #1146

Serving Councils: 1136, 8606, 9561

Monsignor Cushnahan Assy. #1429

Serving Councils: 777, 5347, 6010, 9849, 12959, 14399

Carbon Assy. # 1570

Serving Councils: 2611, 5663, 6147, 7401

Bishop Scanlan Assy. #2393

Serving Council: 10733

Reverend Thomas J. Meersman Assy. #2577

Serving Councils: 6966, 11479, 12181, 13297, 13646, 14239

Padre Pio Assy. #2636

Serving Councils: 1129, 14764, 15418

Saint John Paul the II Assy. #3501

Serving Councils: 11246

Rev. Msgr. Robert C. Pollock Assy. # 3586

Serving Councils: 602, 5502, 12264, 15741, 16006

Msgr John J. Sullivan Assy. # 3758

Serving Councils: 6739, 9731, 11812, 17140

Visit www.KofCuniform.com
for the Official Dress Uniform of
the Fourth Degree.

* **Saturday, 10-APR-2021**, assumed at this time to be virtual in Utah.

* **Saturday, 12-JUN-2021**, also assumed at this time to be virtual in Utah.

Vivat Jesus!

God Bless America and Viva Christo Rey!!

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See page 2 for information about a recent
Socks for Heroes distribution in Ogden!
More honor guard photos are on page 11.



A Prayer for Our Country

A Prayer for Our Country

O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.

Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection.

Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. **Amen.**



Men of the Sacred Hearts

For additional cards, please call 586-264-8550
or email info@menofthesacredhearts.org

Donate to Carmelite Sisters



Support the Carmelite Sisters!

Without Masses, their altar bread business doesn't have many orders during this time of pandemic.

Remember, the main financial support of the monastery is the Annual Fair, which is normally held on the third Sunday in September, was **canceled for 2020** due to the pandemic. KUTV2 report.

For their assorted home-made Candy and Jam

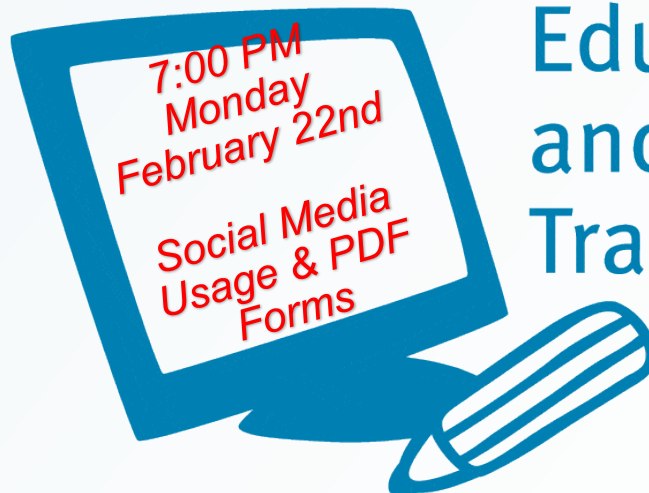
<https://www.carmelslc.org/home-made-candy-and-jam-by-the-carmelite-nuns/>

Donate through PayPal on their website homepage

<https://www.carmelslc.org/>

Donate through the Knights of Columbus Utah State Council

<https://www.cognitofirms.com/UTKofC/SupportTheCarmeliteSisters>



Education and Training



State Training on Mon., February 22: Social Media Usage; PDF Forms

<https://forms.gle/v3b2hfAgwrEJ8tg16> is where you can register for the February 22nd session on "Social Media Usage" and "PDF Forms." How to use social media to interest prospective members and keep current members informed and involved. PDF Forms will also be discussed.

On the 4th Monday of the month, Jerry Angus, State Training Director, coordinates training on various topics.

What else would you like to know more about? Now is a great time to suggest training subjects for 2021! No topic too big or too small!

Visit www.UtahKnights.org/training for the full list of topics already covered with links to YouTube videos of the GoToMeeting recordings.

Next Supreme Webinar is Thursday, March 18th at 6:00 PM. The topic is TBD. Register online at www.kofc.org/webinar

FAMILY DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Worthy Brother Knights,

Supreme has chosen **Deacon Scott Dodge** and family, of Council 5502 (Saint Olaf Parish, Bountiful) as the Utah Family of the Month winner for December 2020 from the submissions received by January 15th. Congratulations!

Every month, Supreme selects families for special recognition, including sending a special gift for the family. One family winner is randomly selected from each state. The odds are good! Utah only has 37 councils! Hopefully participation will increase.

July 2020: 5502, 11479 & 13297. Winner was Robert S. Gomez Family of Council 5502.

August 2020: 12181. Winner was the Guy Allen Family (the only submission).

September 2020: 5502, 9849, 12818, & 13297. ([Full report.](#)) Winner was Rich Atkins Family of Council 9849.

October 2020: 5502, 9849, 11479, 12181, & 13297. ([Full report.](#)) Winner was James Chris Cage Family of Council 13297.

November 2020: 11479 & 13297. ([Full report.](#)) Winner was Palmer Masumbe-Netongo Family of Council 11479.

December 2020: 5502, 12181, 13297. ([Full report.](#))

What a great Midyear Meeting that we had at the beginning of January. Many new changes in the format of the business meeting agendas. Also some great info from our State Deputy, Nick Nielson, on the preferred use of the [Fraternal Programs Report Form 10784](#). Supreme would eventually like all Councils to submit ALL programs, and submit online, using this form. If you submit Form 10784 online, you will receive an email with a PDF copy of your submission, please forward that to me at tsoran@judgememorial.com. Faith in Action program reporting Form 10784 is easily found at www.kofc.org/FIAForms (and that page also contains a short video on how to complete the form).

For now, you may still use the [Form 10668](#) to submit your selected Council Family of the Month. Send the completed PDF form to Supreme at FraternalMission@kofc.org; me (State Family Director) - tsoran@judgememorial.com; Your Council's File (Financial Secretary)

Also, if your Council sponsored Keep Christ in Christmas, the [Form 5023](#) should have been submitted by Jan. 15th,

Visit www.KofC.org/Family to review Supreme's recommended programs for fulfilling the Family category of the "Faith In Action" program model. I was proud of how many Utah Councils took advantage of the Family of the Month (FOM) program over the last six months. Also, I would encourage that each Council plan ahead for the possibility of COVID-19 restrictions continuing into the next year.

Pax Vobiscum!

Timothy Soran, Jr.

District 7 Deputy

Utah Family Director

NEW* GUIDELINES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS *NEW

Did everyone see the webinar from the supreme office on the new council meeting guidelines?

The webinar was held live on December 17, 2020 and the video recording is available. If you missed it, or want to watch it again, just click the "Watch and Learn More" button on the webinar's page (you will need to register if you haven't already) but don't overlook the resources also listed on the webinar's page at www.KofC.org/en/for-members/resources/webinars/121720.html

Here are three of the most useful:

- **The Guidelines for Council Meetings** www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/service/council/method-conducting-council-meetings10318.pdf
- **Frequently Asked Questions** www.kofc.org/un/en/resources/for-members/new-guidelines-for-council-meetings-qa.pdf
- **Fraternal Operations link** www.kofc.org/FraternalOperations (more information on meetings, protocol, virtual events, etc.)

The webinar itself has some additional "downloadable resources"

[Printer Friendly Council Meeting Agenda](#) (1 page, "what to cover")

[Printer Friendly Grand Knight's Script for Council Meetings](#) (3 pages, for the council meeting, "how to say it")

[Printer Friendly Officers Planning Meeting Agenda](#) (1 page, "what to discuss")

What's that? Two different meeting agendas? Yes! They're emphasizing the **two meetings your council has each month** "Council Meeting" and "Officers' Planning Meeting" (open to all members), and the items that belong in each. As the 40-page guide (Item 10318) might be a bit much for some to print, it is available from Supplies Online; it shows \$12.79 for UPS Ground shipping of the "free" item. The recommendation is read it online (link above), and print the short guides for use at the meetings. Let the council Advocate study the multiple pages on the proper use of motions.

Note: Although the Fourth Degree Assembly meeting agenda hasn't officially changed; the same guidelines can be useful (e.g., "Appendix D: How to Prepare a Good Report" would apply in any meeting).

WATCH & LEARN MORE

SUPREME CHAPLAIN'S MONTHLY CHALLENGE

Information on this month's challenge from the Supreme Chaplain is available online at www.kofc.org/en/who-we-are/our-faith/february-2021.html. Want it included here? Please let the editor know you if would like the details of the challenge included each month.

BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY PRAYER HOUR

"Supreme has nearly completed a new Blessed Michael McGivney Prayer Hour resource which will help us honor our newly beatified founder and continue to seek his aid together. This prayer hour, which is designed for remote participation, will serve as a substitute for the Icon Program for this fraternal year. Detailed instructions and a recording of the prayer service will be made available to you this coming January."

BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST

A new podcast from Father Mike Schmitz, featuring Jeff Cavins: **The Bible In A Year**. Sign up at ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration. If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you. Ascension's Bible in a Year Podcast guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes started on January 1st, 2021 (and quickly became the #1 podcast in the USA). Each 20-25 minute episode includes: two to three scripture readings; a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz; and guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word. Full details online at ascensionpress.com/bibleinayear

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM CHANGES

Please notify all district deputies and grand knights in your jurisdiction of the following critical changes that need to be made immediately:

Email addresses mandatory for all members holding safe environment roles (grand knight, program, family and community directors)

- Email addresses will be mandatory for every member to retain access to, and be counted towards, a council's safe environment compliance for Fraternal Year-End 2020-21
- Please have your district deputies and grand knights check the **Safe Environment Member Status Report** in Officers Online www.KofC.org/oo and reach out to any members who don't have an email listed and assist them in adding a valid email address, unique, and personal to him, to his membership profile with the Knights of Columbus
 - PLEASE NOTE: generic emails will no longer work, e.g., gkcouncil1@gmail.com will no longer work; personal emails are required as user ids to ensure that members retain full credit for completing their training and background checks.

Grand knights barred from holding all four (4) roles.

- Councils in which a grand knight also holds the program, community and family director roles will NOT be considered compliant with the Knights of Columbus safe environment program.
- This practice has never met the standard of having at least 2 fully compliant members at all events where the youth or other vulnerable persons may be present
- This standard is in effect for the current 2020-21 Fraternal Year.

Grand knights of councils who fall into this category need to appoint AT LEAST one more member into either the program, community, or family director role immediately in order for their council to become compliant.

Several examples and illustrations are available online [here](#), covering the following:

1. How do we appoint a Knight who doesn't have a computer?
2. Must it be four different Knights? This year? (Minimum 2) Next year? (Yes, 4 Knights)
3. How many trained and background checked members are needed at events?
4. What does it take to be a valid email address?
5. Information on setting up a personal email?
6. Contact information for the Office of Youth Protection?

-Peace be with you, God above all!

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The latest updates and information from Supreme is shared through the **Fraternal Leader Advisory**. Need a previous message? The complete archive of previous installments is available online at www.kofc.org/en/news-room/fraternal-leader-advisory/. Want it to appear in your inbox? Use the registration link; it's at the bottom of each volume. The Safe Environment program updates were highlighted in Volume 18 (12/17/2020) which available at conta.cc/3gXva8v





SIR KNIGHTS IN THE NEW UNIFORM NEEDED FOR HONOR GUARDS! THE BISHOP NEEDS YOU IN THE NEW UNIFORM!

We, the fourth degree honor guard in the new uniform, are still out there doing God's work. Bishop Solis asks for our help showing up with the new uniform and proudly wearing the Sword of Liberty. **We are here! WE NEED MORE OF YOU TO JOIN US!** Even behind black masks, you can see

Not yet a Sir Knight? See **page 7** for information on upcoming exemplifications to join the fourth degree. Fourth degree members can purchase the new uniform online at www.kofcuniform.com/home



11/17 — Mass of Thanksgiving for the Beatification of Fr. Michael J. McGivney



Salute with the Sword of Liberty



1/21 — Father Rene Funeral Mass



1/22—Mass for the Unborn

FRATERNAL PROGRAMS REPORT FORM #10784

As was mentioned at the Utah Midyear Meeting in January, the **Fraternal Programs Report Form #10784** — available online at www.KofC.org/FIAforms — integrates data previously collected on individual program report forms. Many (not all) of the replaced forms are listed on that webpage. Once the form is submitted online, it automatically gets processed and a PDF version of the information submitted is sent back to the submitter (which can be any council member with an email address on file), and also to the council Grand Knight and Financial Secretary. On the **Faith in Action Forms** webpage is a link to a (short, 6:39) training video explaining how to use the new form. Form 10784 should also be used to report all council program activity — even for programs that aren't on Supreme's list of recommended programs (e.g., breakfast burrito fundraiser; trap shoot; drive-through spaghetti dinner).

UTAH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP

Now is the time for eligible graduating high school students to work on the Utah Knights of Columbus Endowment State Scholarship Application! It's due (delivered or postmarked) by March 15th (**no exceptions**). The scholarship application takes time to assemble! Some of the requirements: an official school transcript, (5) letters of recommendation, a typed essay, and the application form. It can't all be done the night before! Eligibility requirements and the link to the application packet is online at www.UtahKnights.org/programs/#state_scholarship. In 2020 there were 15 students that applied, representing 12 councils with three winners selected and awarded prizes of \$3000, \$2000 and \$1000. Please promote the scholarship in your council and assembly meetings!