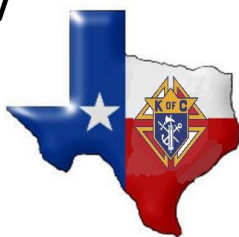


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From our State Deputy:

My Brother Knights,
Happy New Year! July 1st of every year marks the beginning of the new fraternal year. It gives us a new beginning, a chance to reestablish our goals and the endless pursuit of those goals. This year is no different. Grant it, we are going through some trying times, but, the Knights of Columbus are needed more than ever.

This issue marks the return of the Finish Line. A guide and/or reminder on what to look for in the next 30-60-90 days. This will help with your pursuit of Star Council which is the standard that measures every council in Texas. I encourage you to pursue Star Council status and to use the Finish Line as a guide in your pursuit.

Let's get it done. Back to Basics, No Excuses

Alfredo Vela
Texas State Deputy



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MEMBERSHIP

The Importance of a Fast Start!

When it comes to Membership recruitment, getting off to Fast Start is absolutely of the essence.

Our membership Goal for the 2020 – 2021 Fraternal year is 5000, that's right 5k.

Our goal for the month of July 2020 is 230.

Recruiting during a Pandemic. It can happen, it can be done! We now have so much available to our members than ever before in the history of our order. Take advantage of the e-membership, online exemplification, zoom meetings, and the Scripted Exemplification.

Every Council Active

One member per Council per month

Regularly Scheduled Exemplifications

One per district per month, minimum

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Church Drive/Blitz

Contact your pastor and submit bulletin announcements

Retention

There **will not** be any Supreme Per Capita for the 2020 – 2021 Fraternal Year
No need to drop any members

Let's get it done. Back to Basics, No Excuses

Vivat Jesus!
Ron Alonzo
Membership Director

Programs:

The success of any council comes from the success of its programs. Successful programs bring new members. Without these two, a council begins to fail.

The changes in Faith in Action for this year is there are several featured programs but no required programs. The key to any successful program is planning. Get your planning done now!

- Get and USE your Fraternal Successful Planner booklet for all Officers and Directors.
- Continue with the Leave No Neighbor Behind.
- Into The Breach has expanded – plan on implementing this program
- Remember: Every Program is an opportunity for every Knight to put their Faith in Action and step Into the Breach.

Your Program Team is here and available to help you throughout the year.

Pat Henz
Program Director

Council Growth

Father McGivney's prayer is for a Knights of Columbus presence in every Catholic Parish and Mission. The State Council Growth Team Chairmen and Coordinators are willing and ready to assist in attaining that goal.

Please review and download the Star Guide for information on incentives and guidelines set forth for all Council Development and Reactivations.

A Special Super Quick Start Incentive is set forth for all Diocese that reach the following goals BEFORE JULY 31.

New Council Development

Form a new Council in your Diocese BEFORE July 31st and receive a \$500 gift card for your local incentive programs.

Council Reactivations

Reactivate a Suspended Council (following Reactivation Protocol) in your Diocese BEFORE July 31st The Diocese will receive a \$300 gift card for their local incentive program.

Be Not Afraid to attain these early awards and build the momentum for a Successful Year!

Hispanic Council Development is a focus with two Chairmen in place for advisement and guidance.

Round Tables are critical to ensure a presence in Missions and Parishes supported by existing Councils.

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College Council Development is key to ensure a Fraternal foundation for our young men on campuses across Texas.

Retention is a continuous review of Councils to remain in good standing, for our Brother Knights reap the Fraternal benefits as provided by the Order.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to the Team for assistance.

God Bless Texas!

Vivat Jesus,

Carlos X. Martinez

Council Growth Director

Star Council Awards

The Star Council Award is earned by councils for outstanding achievement in the areas of membership, insurance, and service program activities. Within the program directives of 'Faith in Action', councils earning the Star Council Award demonstrate and provide faithful and fruitful leadership, inspiration, and meaningful help to Church, families and communities. These recognized councils are indeed fulfilling the vision of Fr. Michael J McGivney to provide families a safe, spiritual, and nurturing fraternal home. A council that earns Star Council is doing everything right!

There are a few requirements to earn Star Council over the next twelve months. We are going to focus on what is needed in the short term and build on that. The goal for our Star Council Award team over the first three months of the Fraternal Year is three-fold.

- First, let's get the forms in to Supreme and the State Office. New Council Officers (forms 185) is due June 30, 2020 for all councils. The Service Program Personnel (form 365) is due August 1, 2020 and will be recorded as received when the following required roles have been appointed – Program Director, Community Director, Family Director, Membership Director and Retention Director. These are important so we know who's who in each council and successful submission is a requirement for Star Council.

We will have a table set up at the Organizational Meeting in San Marco, TX to accept Forms 185 and 365. Those District Deputies that bring completed forms for all their councils will be entered in a drawing to win a fabulous prize from our new State Deputy! Our team will call all District Deputies in advance to remind you.

- Second, safe environment is extremely important. The following officers / directors are required to take the training – Grand Knight, Program Director, Community Director and Family Director. Once these men receive an email from Supreme, they have 30 days to complete the three-hour required training. The training completion is good for two years. Set the expectation now so that these roles do not have to be vacated for not following through!
- Third, there is one Fraternal Benefit night required each semester and this can be accomplished in many creative ways. Work closely with your Council Insurance Agent and General Agent to get this completed.

Let's get this done!

Vivat Jesus!

Reed Fontenot

Star Council Awards Director

Education, Training, & Communications:

Our team is here to fulfill all your needs to be a Star Council. Visit www.kofc.org or www.tkofc.org at least weekly. Check out the Star Guide Section on the State website & download the latest version. Email all forms to the correct Supreme email address (located in the Star Guide) & to the Texas State Council at forms@tkofc.org. Copy all forms to your District & Diocesan Deputy.

July - A time for all Councils to start fresh and reset goals. ***Be Not Afraid.***

July—Installation of Officers

July 1st—Form 185 Report of Officers – Due June 30, 2020

July 15th—Financial Secretary On-line Training: (each class limited to 99). To register for this class: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0kd-ugrT8iGNMKdu4xWffA0iAzcgjdAOFE>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

July 17th-19th—State Organizational Meeting for Diocesan & District Deputies –San Marcos, TX

Diocesan Conferences

August – Getting your feet wet and building momentum. Back to Basics.

August 1st—Form 365 Report of Service Committees due to Supreme. Due to Texas State Council office by August 31

August 12th—Venerable Father J. McGivney Birthday

August 12th – Financial Secretary On-line Training: (each class limited to 99). To register for this class: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlrdO6uqj8tHtNxOHmPeQGhp4qNOrYgg7EI>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

August 14th—Venerable Father J, McGivney Memorial

August 15th—Form 1295 Council Audit Due

Diocesan Conferences

September – 1st Quarter in the books. Re-evaluate your plans make adjustments. No Excuses.

Roundtable Coordinator Form 2629 – Due September 30

Financial Secretary On-line Training: (each class limited to 99)

September 16th - To register for this class: (1 registered as of June 8, 2020)

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMucOyuqz0qH9wF368FO2-d5GQkmQlpKEuW>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Feel free to contact me for any assistance.

Vivat Jesus!

David Zeigler

Education, Training, & Communications Director

Texas State Council Charities

The first and foremost principle upon which our Order is founded is Charity. Your Charities Team members trust to knit firm and steadfast our common love as brothers and win the regard and favor of our fellowmen.

Together, we shall work collectively to pull together charitable contributions of more than \$1,000,000.00 this fraternal year. In doing so, we will put over \$700,000.00 into the hands of our Bishops to utilize for charitable works within their respective dioceses.

You will bear in mind that true charity, true charity, does not consist alone in gifts of money.

We will work to aid councils in identifying charitable service projects designed to increase their Charitable Volunteer Hours. Activities such as volunteering at Special Olympics events, active participation in Parish Ministries, serving with St. Vincent de Paul, or providing food to those in need through a mobile food delivery service such as Mobile Loaves and Fishes.

Henceforth, in Charity's sweet name, raise up the weak and fallen; the tear of anguish brush away; and with loving hearts and hands bent on one another's welfare, weave for each a crown of eternal glory.

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