



DIRECTIONS

Website: www.southdakotaknights.org

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The information contained in this publication has many items that are of great importance to the success of each council during the coming fraternal year. Please read this and pass it on to other officers, directors and members in your council so that they may also be informed about upcoming matters. Send information to Jim Burdick sdakotaknights@gmail.com 605.460.1121

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 1 Form 365 Council report of Directors was due to Supreme
August 15 Semiannual Council Audit report was due to Supreme
August 26 SF Bishop's Charity Golf
September 16 RC Bishop's Charity Golf
September 23-24 SF Bishop's Hunt
September 24-25 RC Bishop's Hunt

Program Director's Comments

Brother Knights,

Where does the time go? As you read this we will be beginning the third month of the fraternal year. It now times to make sure all forms are submitted (i.e. Service Program Personnel Report #365), and to ensure progress and plans are in place to obtain the Columbian award #S-P 7. Submission of the #365 can be done on line located in the Officers Online section of www.kofc.org. This form must be submitted even though there was no change this year.

It's also time to review the Councils' progress in conducting Faith In Action programs. The SP7 Columbian Award form is an excellent planning tool to make sure the council is on track. Also, Grand Knights and Program Directors are encouraged to contact the state's Faith in Action Directors if any questions or issues arise regarding FIA. The list of state FIA Directors are as follows:

Pat McCue -- FAITH
mccuepg@gmail.com
Barry Eske -- FAMILY
beske@midco.net
Ernie Garcia -- LIFE
garciafromsd@rap.midco.net
James Hulm -- COMMUNITY
hulmspoorfarm@hotmail.com

Please remember our goal with the Faith In action way of life is to bring men and their families closer to Christ.

God bless,
Jay Cudzilo
Program Director

RGD/RTD Training Schedule

August 25-31, 2019

Sunday, August 25 – Sioux Falls
State Team Members – Gerald & Ray
Holy Spirit Catholic Church @ 7:00PM
3601 E Dudley Ln
Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Monday, August 26 – Yankton
State Team Members – Gerald & Thad
Marty Hall @ 7:00PM
2700 Broadway Ave
Yankton, SD 57078

Tuesday, August 27 – Brookings
State Team Members – Gerald & Don
St Thomas More Social Hall (attached to church) @ 7:00PM
1700 8th St S
Brookings, SD 57006

Wednesday, August 28 – Aberdeen
State Team Member – Scott
Shriver's Fellowship Hall @ 7:00PM
414 5th Ave NW
Aberdeen, SD 57401

Thursday, August 29 – Pierre
State Team Member – Scott Bollinger
Columbian Hall @ 7:00PM
1221 E. Broadway
Pierre, SD 57501

Saturday, August 31 – Piedmont
State Team Members – Phil T & John G
OLBH Parish @ 9:00AM
12365 Sturgis Rd
Piedmont, SD 57769

KC Web Site

The South Dakota Knights of Columbus web site has a new look and some new features that you should look at. The state directory and program book is available on the web site. Please include www.kofcsd.org in your council newsletter so all KC members will be aware of it.

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Cash Checks Now

Make sure all Tootsie Roll checks have been distributed. You should have received your SPF council share checks.

Comments from the Membership Director

Worthy Brother Knights,
Every day we have to refocus on what we are doing: our jobs, our families, our faith and yes our commitment to the Knights of Columbus.

We have all committed to our duties as officers at all levels in this great catholic organization. We can't accomplish anything by ourselves. We must work as a team together! "Unity" is one of the pillars we must have!

I want to encourage all District Deputies to encourage their Grand Knights to get a Star Council mentality! This is not to simply bring in new men, but to help councils see that by striving for "Star" they will become the best council they can be even if they don't become a Star Council. It creates excitement, enthusiasm, and growth in both faith and family life and involves more members. Thus creating "Faith in Action"!

State Deputy Gerald Dvorak has listed all the incentives. Please take advantage of them now! Please get everyone you can to the upcoming training sessions and scheduled degrees. Remember no one joins the Knights of Columbus until you ask them: ASK.

Vivat Jesus!
Don Wenande,
SD Membership Director

Student Loans

The South Dakota Knights of Columbus Student Loan Fund is in excellent condition at this time and there are sufficient funds available for new loans. The loans are for \$2000 each. The details are listed on the web site at www.southdakotaknights.org. The applicant must have completed at least 1 year of higher education or at least 1/2 of the required courses

COMMENTS FROM STATE DEPUTY DVORAK

Brother Knights,

It's hard to believe we are almost complete with the 2nd month of the fraternal year already- as fast as this summer went for me (and I'm guessing many of you as well) it brings a new meaning to our perpetual watchword of 'Time Flies....' It's been over a month now from our Summer Meeting, when we welcomed many new Brother Knights as District Deputies and State Directors. Gentlemen, Thank you again for stepping forward into these leadership roles! I know that there's a lot to learn, but I'm confident that you will all do well and put your particular gifts in the service of God and your councils. Same is true for the new Grand Knights and Council officers/directors: Congratulations and let us know how we can help you be successful this year.

As we approach the completion of the 1st quarter, I want to remind you, if you haven't done so, to plan out your council's fraternal year, and set monthly goals and work to stay on target

so that, by the end of the year, that you don't find yourself 'playing catchup'. If you have a membership goal of 12, break it down to one member/month. If you should miss a month, then double your efforts to get 2 the next month to stay on track. Setting monthly goals also includes the few forms to submit- 185 (report of officers), 365 (report of directors), 1295 (council audit)- for those of you who have submitted by now, Thank You. Taking care of them early helps 'tell your story' and helps both Supreme and the State teams get the information to the right member. For councils yet to submit them, please do so as soon as possible, as we use them daily to contact the appropriate members of your council.

I'm going to repeat what I said in June: Never forget why we recruit- it is not numbers, but helping families to grow in the Faith and provide protection during their time on earth. We must always work to build up the Body of Christ in our parishes and communities through our

activities and discipleship. May God Bless you and your councils during this upcoming fraternal year. Our State Membership Director, Don Wenande and our State Online Membership Director, John Gehlsen, are ready to help you- feel free to reach out to them for any assistance you need.

Lastly, I hope to see the council officers/directors at the training sessions next week- Please take advantage of these sessions- they are for your benefit!

Vivat Jesus,

Gerald Dvorak.

State Deputy

Incentives - State and Supreme 2019-2020

Supreme Incentive

Star Council Incentive - \$4.50 credit per billable member to the council

Supreme/State Incentive - \$800 total

South Dakota will be evenly split into 4 divisions, with councils in each division competing against each other. Measurement goal will be highest percentage of membership quota as determined by Supreme office for District Deputies and Grand Knights. At the end of the first quarter (July-September), the District Deputy and Grand Knight in each region with the highest % gain will receive \$100 cash.

State Incentives

DD Incentives

Top % of membership quota by qtr gets \$100 (\$200 in first qtr).

Forms: If all turned in for District within 45 days of due date - \$50 (Forms 185, 365, 1295 - Aug/Feb, 1728)

GK Incentive - top % by qtr per division gets \$100. Minimum of 20% of goal in qtr to qualify.

Program Director Incentive - SP-7 Columbian turned in by State Convention gets KC Dress Shirt

Council Incentive - Star council by Convention- State will pay registration for both delegates and wives (rebate)

Every Council Active - For councils on 'Every Council Active' list: Council holds Admission Degree and adds at least one new members will receive crucifix hand-made by the State Deputy and a KC dress shirt.

'9000 Strong' Incentive-

The 9000th member, the proposer, the District Deputy, Grand Knight, and wives will have steak dinner with the State Deputy and his wife.

The District Deputy, Grand Knight, proposer, and 9000th member will each get a KC shirt with a special 'South Dakota 9000 Strong' logo. Shirt would be similar to the Star District shirts that Thad had made up before.

The council of the 9000th member will receive a donation of \$100 from the State Council, and the Bishop of the council's diocese would receive \$100 donation from the State Council on behalf of the local council. Funds would come from our membership award \$\$ we have earned from Supreme.