

The Discoverer

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The Voice of the Massachusetts State Council

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A message from your State Deputy Paul O'Sullivan

Brothers and Families: First let me thank you all for the honor of leading you as our State Deputy for the coming year. IPSD Russ has definitely made himself a hard act to follow. He has proven that <u>Circle Of Honor</u>, what all had believed to be a pie in the sky goal, is obtainable when we all work together. Our Supreme Council leaders told us that if we make our Star Council our priority, then our membership and retention goals will follow. They proved to be right! They told us 37 Star Councils should do the trick. Last count 43 Councils made Star. Congratulations to all our Stars.

But we can't sit on our laurels. Membership needs Programs and Programs need Membership. Pat Curley from Andover has agreed to stay on as Membership Director. We know Pat and his Regional Advisors and teams will work tirelessly again to

make Massachusetts a Star Jurisdiction. Program Director John DiPietro from Foxboro and his Program Team are working to expand participation current Programs (Coats For Kids, Soccer, ICON, Veteran's Issues, Charity Drive, and Free Throw to name a few) and plan new activities around our Supreme Knight's Building the Domestic Church Initiative. New Council Development Chairman is Nick Melanchook of Saugus is looking for a great year with many new councils. As he has been for the last two years, Don Collins of Lynn is our Ceremonial Chairman. Don, one of the finer ceremonialist in our Order, will be meeting with the Supreme Ceremonialist Chairman to help roll out an updated Formation (2nd) Degree. Education Chairman Bob Rolinson of Charlestown will be working to expand training for GKs and District Deputies. Speaking of our District Deputies, at the Leadership Conference in June, they showed themselves to be one of the more spirited groups of DDs that most of us could remember. We're looking forward to great things from you guys.

We hope all councils will participate in our upcoming programs. FDD Arthur Whittemore and the DD Class of 2004 will run their August K of C Family Picnic to benefit Fr. Joe Baggetta's Chapel of Hope. Always a good time and attended by many people. The State Installation of Officers will be held at St. Mary's in Foxboro and we hope all will attend this very inspiring event and we thank Bishop Hennessey for taking time from his busy day to again celebrate the Mass for us. Our Silver Rose will be in Massachusetts in September. Plan on attending one of these liturgies to our Lady of Guadeloupe. Better yet offer to host one at your parish.

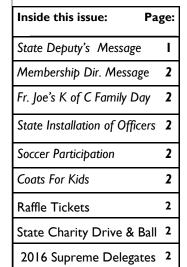
Other Fall Events include—Soccer Challenge across the State from Council, District, Regional and the Finals; our Charity Drive in which the funds are used for Handicapped Children and People with Intellectual Disabilities—Please give an hour or two for this great cause. All councils should participate in some way; Charity Ball on November 5th—Present your Council's Charity Fund Proceed Check to the State Board; Coats For Kids-Donate to purchase Coats for needy Kids; and Wreaths Across America on December 17th at Bourne and Agawam Cemeteries—Placing wreathes on graves of our fallen veterans—Great inspirational day.

Please become (more) active in your council, RECRUIT that ONE NEW MEMBER and participate in our State Events. Working together, our Order in Massachusetts will continue to be in the words of Pope Paul VI, "the strong right arm of the Church".



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ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL PER MONTH

Membership is everyone's responsibility, ask someone to join

Pat Curley State Membership Director

I would first like to thank the Worthy State Deputy for showing the faith in me to reappoint me to this position. I would also like to thank all for the cooperation we received last year in achieving Circle Of Honor. One thing I would like to impress upon you is this: Recruitment is the responsibility of every

member of the Order. Not just the GK or the DGK or the Chancellor or Membership Director, everyone. New members benefit the Order, the State and most importantly your own Councils. The more active members your Council has, the more you can do to accomplish the charitable goals that you have for your Council. We have regional membership teams in place that are available to help you at any time to attain your goals. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or need help with any aspect of recruitment and retention.

Pat Curley



2016 Fr. Joe Baggetta / State K of C Family Cookout

The 2016 Fr. Joe Cookout will be held Saturday, August 20th, 2016 rain or shine, from 12:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M. at the AMVETS Post #79, Natick . Tickets are \$10 for a single and \$20.00 for families (children up to 10 years of age). All proceeds will go to support former state chaplain, Father Joe's "Chapel of Hope." Fund Day for the family!!

Tootsie Roll

State Charity Fund Drive and Ball

Everyone is

reminded that the charity drive is just around the corner, on the weekend of **October 7-10** (or when you can do it). Of course, some of you are already out there conducting your drives, and if there is anything that we can do to make that a successful event, please do not hesitate to ask. There are some in-state emergency Tootsie Roll distribution points to assist those councils with small supply needs. With our Charity Fund always in need of funds, We will welcome the receipts from your drive at the office, and for many councils we will be looking forward to seeing you at the **Charity Ball and Silent Auction at the Doubletree Hotel in Milford on Saturday Nov. 5th**. Great Band, Food, Dancing, Auctions and each council presents it's Charity Fund Drive check to the State Deputy. Always one of our great functions of the fraternal year. SEE YOU THERE!!!

<u>State Installation</u> Installation of State Officers on Sunday Sept. 11th at 1 PM at St Mary's Church 83 Central St. Foxboro. All District Deputies are expected there in robes (and families) and all council officers and families are invited. (See Flyer enclosed)



SOCCER—Why isn't your council participating? Start planning now for a Council Soccer Shootout. Simply have shooters sign up and shoot as they leave their regular Satur-

day or Sunday townwide games. All you need are a couple of nets and some rope. Council-Sept District / Regionals—Oct Finals-Nov

State Raffle Tickets

All State Raffle Tickets will be in your Grand Knights hands soon (If not ask your District Deputy??) Please send Raffle Tickets out to your Council Members. Remember, \$5.00 of every sold book remains with the Council for their discretionary use. Also, Don't forget that State Convention Delegates voted a \$1 per member assessment on all councils not meeting quota based on participation in the State Raffle.

2016 Supreme Delegates



Ed Butler



Alain Carpentier



Chris Daniel



Rick Grassi



Joe Kosmas



Al Matos



Nick Meanchook



Rick Walsh

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Power of One

Have you recruited ONE MEMBER ... PER COUN-CIL ... PER MONTH?

Coats for Kids: In each Diocese, The State Board has allocated matching funds. Councils can work together with other councils to put together a pool of money that will be matched. This can be done with Parishes that serve the poor. Coats for Kids Team can work with groups in the parishes and allow the Pastor or his designee to pick out needy families. This work must be started now since we will order now to get coats by the end of October to handout in Nov. / early Dec.

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going on around the State.
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