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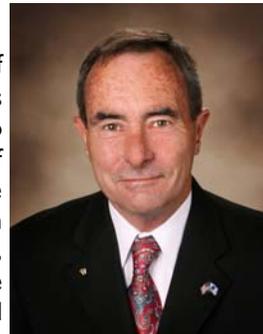
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A message from your State Deputy-Bill Donovan



My Brother Knights : We have now entered the final six months of the 2009-10 fraternal year and while we still have many of our goals as yet unreached there is still time for us to make this fraternal year go down in the history of the order as successful. On the Program side of our agenda much has been accomplished but there is still plenty to be accomplished. We have the Annual Free Throw contest, the Lantern Award, The State Cribbage Tournament, The Annual State Convention, The Living Rosary and the State Golf Tournament. In addition, there will be the spring Exemplification of the Fourth Degree on the Cape and seven testimonial dinners for outgoing District Deputies at various locations and on the dates indicated. I am sure that State Program director Lou Mattuchio will be glad to have all the help he can get, particularly for the free throw contest.

In terms of the membership side of the program, we are still working hard, but the new membership has not yet reached the numbers which we hoped for at the beginning of the fraternal year. We need to increase the number of members being brought into the order as well as expediting the numbers of degrees particularly the first. I know that your District Deputies stand by ready to assist you in the local membership programs, but I want you to know that State Membership Director Paul O'Sullivan and his team are also eager to assist you in your council recruitment efforts.

In closing, I want to thank you for all your efforts in both membership and programs. The Grand Knights and their brother council officers are the heart and soul of our efforts and without your cooperation and hard work everything we do at the state level would be futile. We are at a higher level of recruitment than we have been for about three years so please continue the good fight.

Fraternally

Billy



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FOOD FOR FAMILIES FORM -DUE MARCH 1ST

With the number of Americans at risk of hunger far higher than usual and the number of those planning to give to charity at this time of year lower than usual, the Knights of Columbus has committed \$1 million and legions of active volunteers to its "Food for Families" program to collect food and financially support food banks in the United States. Fill out this form in packet to help Mass. achieve some of the \$1 million to our food pantries.

State Convention 2010

THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION BEING HELD AT THE STURBRIDGE HOST HOTEL ON THE WEEK-END OF MAY 14-16. PACKAGE PLAN INCLUDES 2 NIGHT STAY, WELCOMING HORS DEOUVERES RECEPTION, AND SATURDAY EVENING DINNER FOR \$341 PER COUPLE-FORM IN PACKET..

State Golf Tournament

The State Golf Tournament will be held at Pine Ridge Country Club in N. Oxford on Saturday June 5th—1 PM Shotgun Start. \$95 per golfer. Contact FDD Dan Brenner (508) 757-2160 or State Office for details.



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Calendar of Events for February Thru March



- February 27 Southern Region Free Throw @ Carver High School (Dists. 37- 48)
 27 District Deputy Joe and Ann-Marie McCarthy Testimonial
 27 Boston Diocese Catholic Women's Conference @ Cathedral of the Holy Cross
- March 6 Western Region Free Throw @ Elms College (Dists. 1— 7)
 6 District Deputy Dick and Ruth Ellen Henry Testimonial
 13 Central Region Free Throw @ St. Louis School (Dists. 8-18)
 13 District Deputy Frank and Marie McLaughlin Testimonial
 13 Springfield Diocese Catholic Men's Conference@ Cathedral High School
 20 Northern Region Free Throw @ W.S. Parker Middle School (Dists. 19-28)
 20 Worcester Diocese Catholic Men's Conference @ DCU Center
 20 Fourth Degree Fund Raiser @ John Boyle O'Reilly Council NO. 85
 20 District Deputy Nino Giamei Testimonial
 27 District Deputy Michael Enright Testimonial
 27 Boston Region Free Throw @ Catholic Memorial H.S. (Dists. 29-36)

Please Note that ordinarily the Charity Fund Diocesan Representatives meet on the first Wednesday and the State Board of Officers Meets on the second Thursday of each month.

**Form #100
Belongs In
All of These Places**

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!



**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Degree Schedule for February

FIRST

February

- 7—Valencia Council # 80, Milford @ 400 PM
 11—Elder Council #69, Chicopee @ 7:30 PM
 15—Leicester Council # 4528 @ 7:30 PM
 15—Tewksbury Council No. 4336 @ 7:30
 23—Middleboro/Lakeville Council #223 @ 7:30 PM

SECOND

February

- 23—Middleboro/Lakeville Council #223 after 1st

THIRD

January

- 31— Norwood Council #252 2:00 PM

February

- 14—Father O'Brien Council #5254, Abington

CANCELLED

- 14—Holy Cross College Council # 2706, Worcester,
1:30 PM Hogan Center 4th Floor
 28— Arlington Council #109, 2PM



Regional Free Throw

Southern Region Saturday, February 27
 Districts: 37-48 Carver High School Register: 9AM

Western Region Saturday, March 6 Districts: 1-7
 Elms College Chicopee Register: 9AM

Central Region Saturday, March 13 Districts: 8-18
 St. Louis School Webster Register : 8:30AM

North Region Saturday, March 20 Districts: 19-28
 Walter S. Parker Middle School Reading Register: 8AM

Boston Region Saturday, March 27 Districts: 29-36
 Catholic Memorial HS West Roxbury Register 9AM

State Finals Saturday, April 10 Regional Winners
 College of the Holy Cross Worcester Register 9:30AM

State Raffle Tickets

Please send those State 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 participating in State Raffle.

**Marion
Hour of
Prayer
ICON
Schedule on
website**

**E-Mail In-
formation**
 The State Office requests that any member or council not receiving e-mails from the State Office on a regular basis kindly send their e-mail information to the state office at mastate-kofc@verizon.net if you wish to start

State Charity Drive

Reminder that the charity drive monies are overdue. If your council has not submitted their check, please do so ASAP. Monies are now needed for charity grants for handicapped children and people with intellectual disabilities. Thanks for all your hard work on the Charity Fund Drive

LANTERN AWARD

The Knights of Columbus for the Jurisdiction of Massachusetts proudly will bestow its highest public honor, THE 2010 LANTERN AWARD upon

Geraldine Stadelmann

Rosary, prayers helped her survive terrorist ordeal at Mumbai hotel. Monday April 19th at the Sheraton Framingham Hotel, 1657 Worcester Road, Framingham. Tickets are \$40 each or \$400 per table.

**PRIESTS, BROTHERS, NUNS.
THEY NEED US.
WE NEED THEM.**
Vocations Are Everybody's Business