



DIRECTIONS

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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 Doug Chilson, 1921 Iowa Ave SE, Huron, SD 57350.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct - Pray the Rosary
Nov - Appoint local free throw chairman.
Nov - Conduct local Tootsie Roll Drive submit report & funds
Dec 1 - Crusader information deadline
Nov 11 - Veteran's Day
Nov 24 - Thanksgiving
Dec 1 - Council History Worksheet Due
Dec 3-4 - Winter Meeting—Huron
Now—Verify progress toward a Star Council Award.

THANKSGIVING

This is one holiday that should be celebrated throughout the year. So many times our prayers are focused on requests for ourselves and for others. The prayers of thanksgiving should flow just as often because all of us have many blessings that we often times take for granted. The day always goes better if you start each day being thankful. You know you are blessed when you get up in the morning - not everyone gets to do that. In light of the recent happenings, one should be especially thankful for all of the blessing that we have.

RESPECT LIFE

There is much debate and political posturing being done at this time concerning the health care of children. We need to make sure our elected congressional delegation sees the importance of the health of the unborn as well. Please take the time to contact our congressional delegation and urge them to place equal importance on the well being of the unborn. We need to have a culture of life!

KC MAILING LISTS

This is a reminder to all. The Supreme Council has put forth a directive that it is not permissible to release a list of members without expressed, written consent of the Supreme Council. This would include membership data as well as mailing lists. Please take the necessary steps to make sure that that we stay within the guidelines set forth by Supreme.

FREE THROW T-SHIRTS

The order form for T-shirts is available at the state KC website: kofcsd.org. The DD's also have the order form. Please give this your immediate attention. Please read the order form carefully and take note of the information. Contact Doug Chilson at 350-6995 to get an order form if you don't have internet access. The order deadline is November 15th.

INSURANCE

The State Council would like to remind all local councils about the importance of having adequate insurance to cover potential liabilities that may occur as you host functions. Check with your priest if you hold your meetings on parish property. A local insurance agent would be able to advise you. General Agent Jon Beebe is also looking for more agents.

TOOTSIE-ROLL PROCEEDS

We are approaching the time of the year when most councils hold their local tootsie roll drives. The State Council does its part by ordering the tootsie rolls far enough in advance to assure that the local councils have them when they need them. Now they have to be paid for—to the tune of several thousand dollars. Please forward the proceeds to the State Council as soon as you have completed your local drive.

SPF TICKETS

The NFL Football Sweepstakes tickets program has been replaced by the SPF Tickets. By now all District Deputies should have received the tickets and will be distributing them to the councils and assemblies. The program had a bit shorter run last year but was still an considered an overwhelming success both from the State Councils view and the councils view. This is a great fundraiser for everyone, especially the winners!

CEREMONIALS

The following are the scheduled Degrees for the next few months - Oct 23 — SF St. Michaels, Oct 30—RC St. Therese, Nov 13—Armour, Dec 11—Pierre, Jan 21—Eagle Butte, Jan 28—Vermillion, Jan 29—Tyndall, Feb 12—Redfield. All exemplifications begin at 1 PM. Please be willing to drive a few extra miles to get your candidates to these Degree sites. Membership is the lifeblood of our Order and we need to constantly strive to share our great organization with all eligible men. Membership is every member's responsibility!

COMMENTS FROM STATE DEPUTY LIEBIG

Brother Knights,

We continue to need your help. In order to let everyone know when councils are having an Admission (first) degree, please email our Webmaster, Joshua Christensen at webmaster@kofcsd.org. Provide the host council, time, place, and specifics of the first degree and it will get placed on the website. This is crucial if we are to spread the mission of membership growth in South Dakota. While you're all sending that Admission (first) degree information email to the website, please cc the email to Membership Director Pat Powers at gk5029@yahoo.com. This allows him to track our first degrees making sure no new members get missed regarding the Form 100's.

Speaking of Form 100's, its imperative these Form 100's get scanned and emailed to Supreme (membershiprecords@kofc.org) immediately (within 24-48 hours) so those new members can begin to receive their member benefits (i.e. accidental death benefit, Columbia magazine, etc.). Those benefits do not start until the form 100 is recorded at Supreme's membership dept.

Schedule Admission (first)

degrees, recruit to the date, then schedule another one; and then continue that pattern. Use the video if needed. Don't ever make a candidate wait to become a member. If that pattern is followed, we have no doubt that your council will achieve its membership goals and more. Last year when we asked for this information for the website, you all started off well for about 2 months, and then it stopped coming. **PLEASE**, don't stop getting that information to the website as well as Pat Powers. This will save everyone a lot of time in the long run when it comes to keeping track of our newest members. I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter, but I firmly encourage all to make this a habit in getting Admission (first) degree information to Joshua and Pat.

The first quarter of the Fraternal Year is now behind us. All councils should be in full swing with their planned activities as well as their planned membership recruitment for both new members as well as former/inactive members to join the South Dakota Knights of Columbus. We also must not forget that protection of our

members/families is part of the triple play along with membership and activities; hence making Fr. McGivney's mission and vision a continued reality. Make sure you are inviting our Field Agents to your meetings, activities, and let them into your homes for an assessment. They only work for Brother Knights. They are an invaluable resource for your council as well as their members.

Great things are happening in South Dakota. Please remember; a plan without action is just a plan. Nothing ever gets accomplished without action! South Dakota is full of action. Let's make sure we keep the momentum going to Grow our Order one member, one Admission (first) degree at a time. God Bless.

Vivat Jesus.

As always..... in humble service,

Thad Liebig

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