

# THE KNIGHT TODAY

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## Our Bishops “Go Make a Difference” with a Big Splash



The Iowa Knights of Columbus Executive Committee met with our Iowa Bishops in Ankeny, Iowa, in October 2014. Pictured with State Deputy Dan Werner and holding his motto from the left are Bishop Richard Pates of the Des Moines Diocese, Bishop Martin Amos of the Davenport Diocese, Bishop Walker Nickless of the Sioux City Diocese and Archbishop Michael Jackels of the Dubuque Archdiocese.



Four members of the Iowa Knights of Columbus Executive Committee took part in the “Ice Bucket Challenge” to benefit research at the John Paul II Institute in Iowa City. From the left is District Master Joe Ramirez with Bishop Nickless doing the honors, State Warden Antonio Banuelos and Bishop Pates, State Secretary Jon Aldrich and Archbishop Jackels, and State Deputy Dan Werner with Bishop Amos assisted by Program Director Jason Follett.

## Iowa Knights present \$30,000 check to Camp Sunnyside for Flagpole Plaza



Representatives from Msgr. J. M. Hanson Council 5038 of Ankeny, left, are joined by members of the Iowa Knights of Columbus Executive Committee, right, as State Deputy Daniel J. Werner presents a \$30,000 check from the Iowa Knights of Columbus Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Fund to Easter Seals of Iowa President and CEO Sherri Nielsen and Chief Development Officer Krable Mentzer. The group is standing in front of the area where the flagpole plaza is currently under construction as shown in the next picture.



The flagpole plaza is located between the lodge and the cabins. The renovation flattened the area to allow for a uniform cement plaza that will be fully accessible for individuals who utilize wheelchairs, walkers, or other mobility devices. There will be a place to honor our country, state, and camp with flags that can be raised daily. It will give Easter Seals Iowa an area which can be used for other non-camp seasonal purposes. A plaque will be installed naming it as the “Iowa Knights of Columbus Flagpole Plaza.”



## STATE DEPUTY'S REPORT

Dan Werner



## STATE CHAPLAIN'S REFLECTIONS

Fr. William Reynolds



## PATRIOT'S C O R N E R



Joe Ramirez

Brother Knights,

It is my privilege to serve as your State Deputy. For those of you who don't know me, I grew up in Manchester, graduated from Iowa State University, and have lived in the Des Moines area since 1980. My wife, Carol, is from Mechanicsville originally and graduated from Clarke College. We have two adult sons, one in Ankeny and one in Omaha, who are both Sir Knights, and two beautiful granddaughters. Carol and I are charter members of our parish, St. Francis of Assisi in West Des Moines.

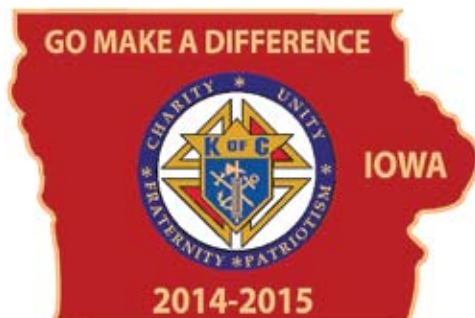
During the past four months, I've visited places such as Keokuk, Solon, Dyersville, Tama, Gilbert, Elkhart, Portsmouth, Humboldt, Atlantic, and Sheldon. I've met with each of the four Iowa bishops individually and met with them together, when they assisted with the "Bucket Challenge" to support the Saint John Paul II Institute.

I presented a check on your behalf at Camp Sunnyside. I addressed about 75 Iowa seminarians on your behalf at their annual convocation. Most importantly, I've met hundreds of brother Knights at council meetings, regional meetings, degree ceremonies, and various events.

As we move through the coming year, I would like you to do two things:

- Think about your own spirituality. What are you doing to strengthen your Catholic faith and to share it with others?
- Recruit a few good men into the Knights of Columbus. I have recruited four so far this year, and I am working with about four candidates at the moment. We need to grow the order! Please do your part to make that happen.

Thank you for all of the ways that you **Go Make a Difference** as Knights of Columbus!



Dear Brothers:

The few remaining days of October invite us to continue to reflect upon and dedicate ourselves to the sanctity of human life, from conception to natural death. Every October the church presents us with a call to honor and protect those who are most innocent and vulnerable among us, including dependent adults, all children, and especially, the unborn.

Our support of those with intellectual and physical disabilities is well known. We can be justifiably proud of our support for and protection of all of God's people. As Pope Francis so readily embraces people of special need, we are encouraged to renew our dedication to those who society sometimes shuns and sometimes harms.

November will be here soon, and All Saints Day is observed on November 1. However, since November first falls on a Saturday this year, the faithful are not obligated to assist at Holy Mass. On the first weekend of November we will observe All Souls Day. It is a pious and good thing to pray for others, alive or dead. The November celebrations remind us of our mortal nature; remember *tempus fugit, momento mori*?

Time does fly and death will find us. May we lead lives of profound faith, so that eternal life will be our destiny and our joy.

### Dyersville Co. 1734 celebrate 100 year Anniversary



Members of Council 1734 - Dyersville gather for a photo after mass in April as part of their 100 year celebration kickoff. During this mass, KC members filled all roles in the mass: celebrant, lectors, greeters, eucharistic ministers, ushers and musicians. The celebration continued on the weekend of October 4 and 5 with golf and barbeque on Saturday. Mass was celebrated by Archbishop Jackels and a banquet followed on Sunday.

I would like to thank Supreme for this wonderful opportunity to serve as Iowa District Master effective September 1, 2014 concluding August 31, 2016. My passion has always been serving as a "Fourth Degree Knight", living our principal of patriotism, while honoring our military, our veterans, our departed brothers, and our families.

I also want to take this time to thank our Past District Master Brother Patrick T. O'Keefe and his dedicated team for all of their years of service to the Fourth Degree Team as well as to the Catholic Church as I look forward to their continued support. I want to thank those members of the team that have decided to retire after many years of continued service as a part of this ever so professional and dedicated team of brother Sir Knights.

I want to welcome aboard all those team members that have elected to continue as part of the team as well as welcoming our newest team members.

### Fourth Degree K of C Father Padilla Province, Iowa District

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson  
Supreme Master Dennis J. Stoddard  
Vice Supreme Master William Baalman  
District Master Joseph A. Ramirez  
District Marshall David M. Miller  
District Secretary Edward P. Pancrazio  
Multi Media Directors: Zachary E. Jakaitis and Travis J. Hoing  
Assistants to the Master: John L. Beckman, Henry W. Fullick, Richard F. Makinster, and David M. Miller.

### Degree Staff

Msgr. Larry Beeson, Gerald L. Fetzer, Michael P. Gaspers, Michael G. Knight, Michael P. Laake, Richard F. Makinster, Kevin E. McKinney, James W. Murphy, Stephen C. Powers, Msgr. Gerald E. Stessman, Michael M. Skonhovd, Roy D. Tangeman, Vernon E. Vondera, Clarence J. Wellick, Karl C. Wisbrock.

### Currently Scheduled Exemplifications

November 15, 2014

St Thomas Parish Center, Manson, Iowa

April 10, 2015

Coralville Marriott, Coralville, Iowa

Vivat Jesus,  
Joseph A Ramirez





## YOUR EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Francis Schlueter

Our Worthy State Deputy Dan Werner after listening to your requests at meetings held around the state has decided to provide a printed newsletter for everyone.

Just wanted to let your know that we will be mailing out two issues per year of The Knight Today starting with this Fall issue. It will be in newsletter format for easier mailing and will contain eight 8.5 by 11 inch pages. We will be sending it to all Knights located in Iowa and the bordering states.

We located a printer who has the equipment and capabilities to print, fold and address as needed for bulk mailing and will process and deliver the newsletter to the post office for mailing.

The next issue will be in March 2015 so that we can keep you informed on the State Convention in Coralville in early April 2015.

Due to the limited size of the newsletter, I will not be able to list the names of those enrolled in the Iowa K of C Perpetual Memorial Society as I have in the past but those names will be posted on the web site for your viewing.

I again urge all of our councils to enroll their deceased Brother Knights in the Perpetual Memorial Society. Can you think of a better way to remember them? In addition we are able to make large donations to our bishops for their vocation funds from the earnings of the PM Fund investments that we receive yearly.

## Marion Co. 5390 provides Highway Clean-up



Highway clean-up went very well on Sunday September 21, 2014 for Council 5390 in Marion. Nine workers were able to complete the task in 50 minutes which was record time. There were eight bags of trash collected.

The highway clean-up crew from the left: Mike (Moe) Ryan, Jordan Meyer, Wayne Walters, Larry Block, Chris May, Lonnie Curry, Dan Montague, Mark Lukes, and Chuck Luster. (Jim Ford took the picture.)

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## Knights help with Marriage & Family Mass in Des Moines



The Diocese of Des Moines kicked off the Year of Marriage and Family on 19 October 2014 with Mass at Saint Ambrose Cathedral in Des Moines, Iowa.

Attendees received, courtesy of the Iowa Knights of Columbus, either the English or Spanish "A Family Prayer" card featuring the prayer written by Archbishop William E. Lori, Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus.

Pictured distributing the prayer cards are State Secretary Jon C. Aldrich of Altoona, left, and Program Director Jason Follett of Ankeny.



## ADMIN. ASSISTANT'S REPORT

Ed Pancrazio

Brothers, I want to take this opportunity to thank you for all your help with forms. We are requested by Supreme to submit forms. We are helping in the fight to maintain our tax free status and show the world our good works. So, when a form is due, please do your part and submit. We all should be working to ensure that Form 4584 Partnership Profile is or has been submitted. This form alone brings bonus money from Supreme for Iowa Special Olympics. Remember, it is never too early to submit a form!

Now is the time to begin to discuss delegates to our State Convention. If you have not experienced the convention, volunteer to become a delegate. Block off the dates, April 11 – 12, 2015 in Coralville. Come experience the excitement and share in Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Plus, take advantage of the opportunity to advance to the Fourth Degree on Friday, April 10th. If you have questions or need help with anything, please contact me:

Email: [kcedp@iowatelecom.net](mailto:kcedp@iowatelecom.net)

Phone: 641-895-1364 Fax: 641-856-2349  
Thanks for all you do!

## Fourth Degree Knights on hand for Freedom Flight



Nearly 400 Iowa Korean War Veterans participated in an Honor Flight to Washington, DC on 30 September 2014. The evening before, 385 men and women now in their 70s and 80s packed into 17 buses for their first leg of their journey...a special dinner at Prairie Meadows. Meeting them upon their arrival at Prairie Meadows was a Fourth Degree Honor Guard. The Honor Guard featured Sir Knight Donald G. Hauser of Des Moines who proudly wore his USS New Jersey cap and Korean government medallion which was given to Korean War Veterans to mark the 50th anniversary of the end of the war.



## PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jason Follett

### The Knight Today, November 2014, Page 4 Programming Palimpsest

As you know, the Knights of Columbus is a Catholic, family, fraternal, service organization. This theme permeates our program areas of Church, Community, Council, Family, Culture of Life, and Youth. In fact, the Knights of Columbus provide meaningful and relevant programs of action that help leave a positive impact to the community in which you live. Here are some program highlights since July 2014 and valuable information as we Go Make A Difference!

#### Church

The Iowa Knights of Columbus **donated over \$125,000 to vocations** in the 2013-2014 fraternal year. The funds include donations directly to the Bishops, donations from Councils directly to seminarians and postulants, and donations for vocations-related events including statewide gatherings of new priests, seminarians, and those discerning the priesthood.

**Church Director Andy Milam** has begun a weekly blog entitled **The Catechetical Corner** focused on catechetics, spirituality, and Church events which are coming up in Iowa. Visit [www.iowakofc.org](http://www.iowakofc.org) for the blog which is located in the upper left hand corner of the homepage.

The **Father Michael J. McGivney Guild** serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Venerable Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July-August, and is sent free to Guild members. Registering to join the Guild is free and easy. Visit [www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/contact/register.html](http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/en/contact/register.html).

#### Community

Many families with young children are struggling and there is a clear need to provide warm winter coats to these children in communities across Iowa. The Knights of Columbus **Coats for Kids** program was designed to address this issue. Coats can be purchased at a cost of \$220 per case of 12 including shipping.

The Knights of Columbus is committed to ending hunger in our local communities through the **Food for Families** program. Since 2012, the Knights of Columbus has donated over \$2.7 million and 3.8 million pounds of food to local food pantries, community food banks, and soup kitchens. The year around effort to help those less fortunate than us saves lives each and every day.

Contact **Terry Herrman** via phone (515-292-4968) and/or via email ([therman@isunet.net](mailto:therman@isunet.net)) for more details on how your Council can participate in these programs.

#### Council

The following have been recognized as **Iowa Knight of the Month**: July 2014 - **Joe Heinrich of Council 739** in Fort Madison; August 2014 - **Chris Hill of Council 12422** in West Des Moines; and September 2014 - **Timm Hart of Council 5389** in Des Moines. Each of these Knights will receive a new Iowa KofC polo. Councils are encouraged to participate in this program honoring Council Knights who exemplify the values taught by our Church and our Order. For more information, contact **Joe Pollpeter** via phone (515-710-0041) and/or via email ([joe@tworiversglass.com](mailto:joe@tworiversglass.com)).

#### Family

The following have been recognized as **Iowa Family of the Month**: July 2014 - **Mel and Marge Elsbernd of Council 2073** in Ossian; August 2014 - **Leo and Pat Neubauer of Council 2144** in Centerville; and September 2014 - **Adrian and Jackie Mc Geogh of Council 8178** in Monona. Each of these families will receive a new personalized Bible. Councils are encouraged to participate in this program honoring Council families who exemplify the values taught by our Church and our Order. For more information, contact **Joe Pollpeter** via phone (515-710-0041) and/or via email ([joe@tworiversglass.com](mailto:joe@tworiversglass.com)).

On the fifteenth day of each month 100 Family of the Month reporting forms are drawn at random from among all entries received at the Supreme Council office for the previous month. Each of the 100 families selected receive a beautiful Holy Family statuette along with a letter of congratulations from Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson. July 2014 selections from Iowa are **Robert and Debra Hamilton of Council 1168** in Oelwein and **Miguel and Yolanda Alcor of Council 8702** in Osceola. Selected from Iowa in August 2014 were **Scott and Lori Casey of Council 930** in Cascade and **Larry and Brenda Gloden of Council 3810** in Granville.

#### Culture of Life

Iowa was once again honored to host the **Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Program**. The Silver Rose arrived in Iowa on July 20, 2014 in **Davenport** and was handed to Missouri on August 10, 2014 in **Keokuk**. This program began in 1960 as a project of the Columbian Squires of North America to honor the Blessed Virgin under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. It features a sculpted silver rose carried by Knights from Canada through the United States to Mexico, bringing the Culture of Life message on its journey. The Silver Rose is received at Councils and parishes along its journey and Masses and prayer services are offered.

Iowa is currently working with the **Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative** to fund machines for new clinics in **Fort Dodge, Burlington, and Des Moines**. This effort comes on the heels of successful fund raising for machines in **Creston/Stuart** and **Cedar Falls-Waterloo**. Visit [www.seethebaby.org](http://www.seethebaby.org) to donate.

SAVE THE DATE -- **Third Annual Midwest March for Life** will be January 17, 2015 in Des Moines. Iowa's four Bishops plan to attend and additional activities plus Mass are planned. Visit [www.iowakofc.org](http://www.iowakofc.org) and [www.iowartl.org](http://www.iowartl.org) for more information.

#### Youth

The Iowa Knights of Columbus **Soccer Challenge** Finals were held at the Pella Soccer Complex on October 18, 2014. The finals were the culmination of a four-tier competition that began in early September at the local Council level in each contestant's home area. The youngsters aged 9 to 14 competed with others their age and gender. Winners from the local contest faced competition from ever increasing areas at the District and Regional levels of the State. This year's Iowa winners are:

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Cashen Thompson, Pella (B9-1st)  
 Joseph Ferguson, Des Moines (B9-2nd)  
 Trey O'Neil, Williamsburg (B10-1st)  
 Alex VandeVoort, Pella (B10-2nd)  
 Anthony Schmitz, Pella (B11-1st)  
 Nathan McDermott, Bernard (B11-2nd)  
 Isiah Laza, Muscatine (B12-1st)  
 Jordan Roozeboom, Pella (B12-2nd)  
 Nick Schmitz, Pella (B13-1st)  
 Jack Eichholz, Cumming (B13-2nd)  
 Gerardo Madrigal, Muscatine (B14-1st)

Nicole Pedersen, West Des Moines (G9-1st)  
 Jaclyn Holmes, Tracy (G9-2nd)  
 Maddy White, Pella (G10-1st)  
 Kaley Grimm, Williamsburg (G11-1st)  
 Ellie Howard, Pella (G13-1st)  
 Marg Seitz, Cascade (G13-2nd)  
 Julianna Start, Pella (G14-1st)

The International Champions are determined on the basis of the best scores from the state competitions submitted in each age category. All International Champions will be notified by a personal letter of congratulations from Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson and will receive an International Soccer Challenge trophy.

The **Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest** has rolled out and the Iowa winners will be determined during the Iowa Knights of Columbus State Family meetings on December 6-7, 2014.

The beginning of 2015 will see activity begin with the **State Spelling Bee**, Essay Contest, and Free Throw Championship. Regarding the **Essay Contest**, the 2015 theme is **"The Importance of Religious Freedom."** The contest opens the doors of young minds, enabling the entrants to be creative, thoughtful and introspective in their work. The Order has expanded the Essay Contest to all Catholic students - in public, private or parochial schools - in grades 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 during the current school year. The contest has also been expanded to go through the different levels of competition to the international level.

The most significant development for the **Free Throw Championship** is the location of the Iowa Finals. For 2015, the Iowa Knights of Columbus is partnering with the **Iowa Energy** to host the Iowa Finals at **Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines on March 29, 2015**. This venue will be a memorable experience for the participants. In addition, the Iowa Energy game that afternoon will be Iowa Knights of Columbus Day with a special ticket price available. See the included order form for details.

In closing, if you have any questions, comments, and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me via phone (515-306-4070) and/or via email ([jasonfollett@mediacombb.net](mailto:jasonfollett@mediacombb.net)).

Vivat Jesus & God Bless America!



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<b>Name:</b> _____	<b>Phone:</b> _____
<b>Address:</b> _____	
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<b>Must be received by Thursday, March 26 at 5pm KOC</b>	



## STATE DEPUTY'S HUDDLE REPORT

**Dan Werner**

Brothers, we are committed to listening to you and to implementing improvements you identify!

The State Council hosted huddle meetings last winter to obtain input about the state of the order in Iowa. Meetings were held in Waterloo, Dubuque, Davenport, Iowa City, Council Bluffs, Sioux City, Marion, and West Des Moines. This past fall, huddle meetings and training/input meetings were held in Sheldon, Waterloo, Washington, Storm Lake, Atlantic, and West Des Moines. State officers and program chairs were present to listen and to answer questions.

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The participants provided many good ideas for the State Council to implement. Some of the more common themes included the following:

- The need for a newsletter and other state-wide direct communication to the membership
- More training opportunities for officers made available in different ways
- Improving attendance at meetings by offering more spiritual opportunities, using a calling tree, taking group pictures, and holding officers meetings to keep regular business meetings shorter
- Good results with use of the First Degree DVD
- Appreciation for the web site and ideas for expansion
- Ideas to improve the state conventions, including interesting outside speakers
- Appreciation for the Supreme planning calendar/binder
- Clarifications about suspension procedures

We will continue to have meetings around the state to gather input as long as the members express an interest in participating. If you would like to have one of these meetings held in your area, please contact me at:

wernerdcbb@aol.com

Challenge us to come and listen to you!

Can we be better? Absolutely! Together we can Go Make a Difference by listening to each other and by adjusting our processes and activities to fit changing needs and by staying focused on our core principles!



## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**Bob Jones**

### Membership Report- First Four Months of 2014

Our intake of new members, currently thru Oct. 24th, is 230, which is 19.74% of our goal, our net gain is 12.15%, and our net/net goal is currently a **minus** 56.67%. What do these numbers mean to you? Quite simply, we ALL need to work harder at achieving our targets each month!

The increase in councils who had First Degrees scheduled during the Columbus Day incentive period was commendable. There were many one and two member degrees from our larger urban councils. That is where a lot of our growth is still needed, and hopefully, as the next incentive period starts, everyone will be getting those degrees filled up to five or six men per degree!

The next incentive, in November and December, is wide open, anyone from the State Deputy on down can win it, and I can't help but think our results will certainly improve as the Holidays begin! Be sure to start prospecting NOW, it's the Early bird who gets the worm, and it will be easier to recruit new members now, rather than right before Christmas!

On the bright side, we have four councils who have obtained their membership quotas already, and 21 councils who are at 50% or better of their goals. We are in the process of getting two new councils on board in the next few months. So my Brother Knights, keep up the good work, control the suspensions, and make sure we are talking about the "4 Mores." Do it at every parish event, every council meeting, every opportunity we have to make sure we don't miss offering the "Experience of a Lifetime" to every available Catholic Man!

Thanks for all you do, and will do to help the Knights grow in Iowa! Vivat Jesus!

## OPEN SEASON CONTEST FOR NEW MEMBERS!!

**WHEN - November 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014**

**WHAT - Hunting and harvesting all eligible Catholic men**

**WHO - Any and All Iowa Proposers**

**WHY - 4 mores: MORE Knights bring MORE Hands to do  
MORE good and Evangelize MORE People in Need**

**HOW - to be Eligible: Submit completed, signed Form 100  
with proposer's name**

**In it to Win: Each Month (November & December) the five  
highest recruiters (minimum of two members) will receive  
cash prizes in the following denominations:**

1. Most Men Recruited -- -- -- -- -- \$200.00
2. Second Highest Recruited - -- -- -- -- -- \$175.00
3. Third Highest Recruited -- -- -- -- -- \$150.00
4. Fourth Highest Recruited - -- -- -- -- -- \$125.00
5. Fifth Highest Recruited - -- -- -- -- -- \$100.00

**In case of a tie, a drawing will determine winners. All remaining entries  
will be in a drawing for one grand prize of \$300.00 on December 31st.**

**Scan and email Form 100 with proposer's name clearly printed to:  
Robert Jones using email: robertjones.ahs67@gmail.com  
or send copy to: 2655 N Filmore St, Davenport, IA 52804-1830**

**Deadlines to qualify: Midnight on Nov. 28, 2014 & Dec. 26, 2014**

**GET IN THE HUNT FOR NEW MEMBERS!! ALL CUR-  
RENT KNIGHTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO WIN THESE PRIZES!  
LET'S MAKE IOWA #1, MY BROTHER KNIGHTS!**





## *Iowa Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation*



Brothers All:

The “Helping Hands Fund” helps improve the quality of life for many Iowa Knights of Columbus and/or their families. Support from you, our brother Knights, makes this possible.

At the 2004 Iowa State Convention, a resolution was passed establishing the Iowa Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation. The primary arm of the Foundation is the Helping Hands Fund. In keeping with the First Degree of our Order, “Charity”, the Helping Hands Fund is used to supply grants directly to individuals who suffer an unexpected personal hardship.

The Fund has supported many different needs: persons with debilitating medical conditions, persons that have suffered personal losses due to fire, flood or storm and persons whose children are suffering from cancer and other severe medical conditions.

Requests for assistance have steadily increased over the years. In fact, to date this fiscal year, we have received double the requests from last year. Unfortunately the money coming in to the Fund is not keeping up with the money we feel we need to give out. If we are not able to increase the amount of support coming in to the Fund, we will be forced to greatly reduce the amount of assistance being given.

We need the support of every member, every Council and every Assembly to help us continue the efforts of the Helping Hands Fund. We ask you to reflect upon the important work of this Fund, and financially support our mission of “Charity” in serving those less fortunate.

The Foundation is asking that each Council/Assembly add the Helping Hands Fund to their annual budget. Your annual commitment to this Fund allows us to better serve those in need. Every Council/Assembly should hold an annual fund raising event with proceeds set aside for donation to the Fund. Or, is it asking too much that each Council/Assembly annually donate \$1.00 per member?

On an individual level, each member is asked to consider making a personal donation\*. Would it be too much to ask for a yearly donation of \$12? Twelve bucks, a dollar per month, that’s it. Your \$12, combined with the donations of your brother Knights, would provide over \$360,000 to assist those in need.

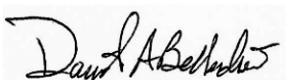
Checks may be made out to the Iowa Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation and mailed to:


Tom Wittrock  
Treasurer, Charitable Foundation  
770 310<sup>th</sup> Street  
Bagley, Iowa 50026-8014

Members can also consider the Charitable Foundation in their estate planning and can designate the Foundation as a beneficiary through an insurance policy. Simply contact your Knights of Columbus Insurance Agent for assistance.


The continued success of the Helping Hands Fund rests with each and every member. While individual donations may cause a short term hardship for us, funds distributed may perhaps be life-sustaining to someone in our communities.

Thank you in advance for your support, Vivat Jesus.

  
David A Bellendier, PSD  
Foundation President

  
Michael P. Laake, PSD  
Foundation Vice President

  
John McGinness, Exec Com  
Foundation Secretary

  
Tom Wittrock, PSD  
Foundation Treasurer

\* The Foundation was established as a 501 (c) 3 organization. This means that contributions made to the Foundation are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.



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---COMING EVENTS---

- December 5-7, 2014----- State Family Meeting, Holiday Inn Des Moines - Airport/Conference Center
- April 9-12, 2015----- 114th Iowa Knights of Columbus Convention - Coralville Marriott, Coralville, Iowa
- July 10-12, 2015 ----- State Family Meeting, Holiday Inn Des Moines - Airport/Conference Center
- August 4-6, 2015 ----- 133rd Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- December 4-6, 2015----- State Family Meeting, Holiday Inn Des Moines - Airport/Conference Center

## IOWA K of C PERPETUAL MEMORIAL SOCIETY

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### Registration Form

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Please enroll: Name \_\_\_\_\_ (Gender) Male or Female

Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Death \_\_\_\_\_ Enrollee was member of Council (No.) \_\_\_\_\_ Assembly (No.) \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's thank you letter requested (Check one): E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Mail \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (If checked above) \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Send Letter of Condolence to: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Who is the (Father, Mother, Husband, Wife, Son, Daughter, Other \_\_\_\_\_) of the deceased. Circle one.

Please make your check payable to: **Iowa K of C Perpetual Memorial Society**

Mail to: **Francis E. Schlueter**  
**452 NW 70th Place**  
**Ankeny, IA 50023-9536**