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State Council Newsletter



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Catholic TV & Radio Coverage of the 2010 Supreme Convention

EWTN is one of the three Catholic television networks, and one of the two Catholic radio networks that will provide live coverage of the [128th Supreme Convention](#) in Washington, D.C. August 3-5, 2010.

EWTN television, <http://www.ewtn.com/> -- will broadcast convention proceedings via its cable and satellite affiliates throughout North and South America, Europe, Africa and the Pacific Rim of Asia. News Director Raymond Arroyo will be onsite Tuesday, Aug. 3, with live coverage of the opening Mass, the Supreme Knight's annual report, and the States Dinner, as well as interviews and updates on convention activities.

EWTN Radio, <http://www.ewtn.com/> -- will also broadcast live from the convention site and provide live audio of the opening Mass and business session. EWTN is carried on many independent Catholic radio stations around the United States, as well as via streaming audio on the Internet.

For the 128th Supreme Convention Schedule and Information, go to <http://www.kofc.org/un/eb/en/conv/2010/index.html>



The Knights of Columbus Incarnation Dome located inside the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Year of the Volunteer

By Benny Viegra, Regional Membership & Programs Coordinator

Supreme Knight Carl Anderson said, *“Volunteerism is not just a giving of time--but of ourselves. In the past decade the Order has donated nearly \$1.367 billion to charity, and provided in excess of 640 million hours of volunteer service in support of charitable causes. We can increase these numbers by increasing the number of men and their families and involving them in our good works. Help us grow by recruiting more members during “The Year of the Volunteer.”*

New Mexico 2010-2011 Goals

Intake--480 Net Gain--322 Net/Net--125 NCD--3 RT--116 Co. Reactivation--3

Action Plan for August—Celebrate Family Week, August 7-15. Have a council families social, and also invite the families of prospective members.

World Series of Membership—Let’s Stay in the Game!

New Mexico is competing against Maine in the First Round of play. We are currently leading but “me” is pushing “us,” NM – 12 for 2.50%; “me” – 11 for 2.07%. We must continue recruiting daily to stay in the running for the \$1,000 First Prize. Our goal is 480, we must recruit at least 40 plus members a month to achieve our goal. Teamwork, focus on our goals, and communication will help us stay in the game.

Daily results are posted at Supreme Council Website kofc.org.

Christopher Fund Donation—Supreme Knight Carl Anderson’s 10th Anniversary

Special incentive to help those in need, and to help your jurisdiction grow in membership: Any state council that achieves 50 per cent or more of its membership Intake goal by December 31, 2010, will receive \$2,000 for its Christopher Fund. That means **New Mexico must bring in 240 members or more by December 31, 2010. So recruit, recruit, recruit!*

If councils say they are up-to-date on submitting forms, yet their council number is still on the delinquent list, please send me copy(ies) of form(s) and I will personally take to Supreme office as I have a meeting there in September.

From State Deputy Joseph W. Pozzi

My Brother Knights and Families:

A year has amazingly and swiftly gone by. It seems only last week my wife, Julia, placed the State Deputy's Jewel around my neck to begin my first term as State Deputy and here I am starting my second term. During my administration this past year, I visited many of our brother Knights, their ladies, families, and Councils. I have repeatedly been very impressed by our members' dedication, hard work and love of our Order. I am so proud of how all of you have stepped up to help in times of need, in times of disaster, and of all the good things you have done. I have been so proud of the New Mexico Knights of Columbus—as one body—who have unselfishly given of your time and talents to support your Churches, Parish Priests, Communities, Councils, your brother Knights and their Families, while also getting involved in helping the people of New Mexico in their everyday struggles. I am touched and proud of the many brother Knights and Fourth Degree Honor Guard members present at funerals, at the Special Olympics, at Church, Social and Civic functions. You do New Mexico **proud**; you do the Knights of Columbus **proud**! It has been a terrific year because of "You, We, Us!"

We now journey into a new Fraternal Year and there is change in the air! How are we going to adjust to those changes? Well, we must remember the Principles of our Order and trust that the decisions made have been planned for the benefit and growth of the New Mexico Knights of Columbus. As members of the Order, we are all charged with fostering the dream of our beloved founder, Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney. We must continue to seek new members and retain current ones. Recruitment tools include attendance at a First, Second and Third Degree exemplification to listen and dwell upon the words spoken. If we take the ceremonies to heart, we will prosper and grow. Visit or revisit our State web site, (www.nmkofo.org) or our Supreme web site, (www.kofc.org) and you will find information, tips for recruiting, forms and training. Your State officers, Executive Assistant, District Deputies, and State Membership Director or Program Director are available to help you with forms submissions or recruitment and information.

Worthy Grand Knights, remember that your District Deputies will be calling all of their councils to remind them to submit forms as they become due. Most importantly, please note that the due date listed by Supreme is the "**drop dead, no grace period, it's all over**" due date. Please be "proactive" and submit all forms at least two weeks before the due date, so Supreme will properly record and credit your reports.

Brother Knights, our State Membership goal this year is 600 which is only 43 more than what we brought in last

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From State Executive Assistant Wheeler M. Green

The 2010-2011 State Directory should be out next week. The District Deputies will receive the Directory and, in turn, will provide each council a copy of the directory.

Reminder – Overdue Reports

The Report of Officers Chosen (#185) was due to Supreme Council and to the State Reports Chairman **not later than June 30, 2010**. The following councils have not yet submitted their report:

641	2664	4256	4445
5146	6598	8331	
10365	11218	12501	12812
13106	13665	14452	

The Service Program Personnel Report (#365) was due to Supreme Council and the State Reports Chairman **not later than August 1, 2010**. As of July 29, 2010, 38 councils have not submitted their report.

Reports #185 and #365 can be found at Supreme Web Site (www.kofc.org) and/or in the Council Report Forms Booklet. If you haven't done so already, please submit as **quickly** as possible. The information contained in the two reports is used for mailing information to the Council Officers and Program Directors/Chairmen.

Audit Report Due

The Semiannual Council Audit Report (#1295) for the period ending June 30, 2010 is due to the Supreme Council and the State Reports Chairman by **August 15, 2010**. Make sure Council Trustees complete the audit immediately--sign the report, including the Grand Knight's signature.

May she rest in peace!

Many people imagine that those who die leave us. But through God's divine grace our dearly departed, though invisible to us, are now immortal.

A firm faith in the real and continual presence of our loved ones is the clear and penetrating conviction that death has not destroyed them. Death transfers us into the Light, Power, and Love of our merciful Creator. Those who on earth were ordinary Christians, become perfect; those who were beautiful become good; those who were good become sublime.

Lorraine Gómez, wife of Gilbert Gómez (and sister-in-law of **Francisco** and **Shirley Gómez**, has gone to her eternal rest. Gilbert is a member of San Juan Council 3448; keep the Gómez family in your prayers.

**Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
August 15th**

year. If just **1/7** of our current membership of 7,675 brought in **just one** new member, we would increase membership by 1,094. With over 650,000 Catholic families in New Mexico, our goal of new Catholic gentleman and their families is very much attainable; all we have to do is **ask them to join!** For the good of our Order and the health and welfare of all New Mexico councils, we need to start asking **now**. If we reach 50% of our membership goal by **December 31st 2010**, Supreme will put an **extra \$2,000** into New Mexico's Christopher Fund, which goes to financially aid our Seminarians; if for no other reason, let's do it for them and our Church. God Bless all, Vivat Jesus!

From State Pro-life Couple José & Rosely Valdez

Please appoint your council Pro-Life couple or individual for the new Fraternal Year. Send me their name, home address, telephone number, and E-mail address so I can advise them (sometimes at a day's notice) of the many on-going pro-life activities.

We will have two Pro-life floats in the State Fair Parade: one--with Sir Knights in full Regalia and Pro-life posters--will be sponsored by Archbishop Lamy Council 4227, Fr. Carl Hammer Council 10697, and Fr. A. M. Mandalari 0682 Assembly. The other, sponsored by the State Council, will feature **Fred Jaramillo's** racing speedsters on a trailer, with Pro-life messages; about 25 individuals will ride the float.

New Mexico Right to life Committee (NMRTL) needs help at their State Fair Pro-life Booth. Please call NMRTL at 505-881-4562 to schedule for training and to sign up to help at the Pro-life Booth. Also, NMRTL will hold its "Born to Run 5K/1 MileWalk/Run" on September 25th, at Sagebrush Church, 6440 Coors Blvd., NW, Albuquerque 87120. They need sponsorship donations and help on that day.

We are still seeking donations for two Ultra Sound Imaging machines--one in Las Cruces and another in Santa Fe. Send your donations to State Secretary **Joseph Austin**, P.O. Box 2311, Bernalillo, N.M. 87004. If we raise half of the cost (about \$15,000) Supreme Council will donate the other \$15,000.

Continue to send me articles and pictures of your Pro-life activities, e.g., dedications of Memorials to the Unborn or rededications of existing memorials, etc. Supreme Council Pro-Life Department asked me for pictures of our Pro-Life activities, and I sent what I currently have.

At the State Organization Meeting, we circulated a petition stating that, "We support the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act." Copies of the petition are available from me or New Mexico Right to Life Committee. We will need the signed petitions before the State Legislation meets in January 2011.

Continue to support Project Defending Life with your donations, attendance at Mass at Holy Innocents Chapel in Albuquerque, and at their vigils in front of Planned Parenthood facilities.

Sanctity of Life Rally will be held in Santa Fe, January 21st and 22nd. We need donations to sponsor the participants' continental breakfast on January 22nd. Last year we fed about 1,000 participants, and marched with about 3,000 from the Cathedral Basilica to the Round House.

Rosary Rally

The Annual Rosary Rally will be held at the Isotopes Baseball Park on Sunday, October 3rd. Archbishop Michael Sheehan will be the homilist. This year's theme is, "The Word of the Lord Remains Forever." 4th Degree Knights in full regalia will report to District Marshal Filadelfio Lucero at the South Dressing Room at 1 P.M. The Rosary will start at 2 P.M., followed by the Mass. We need ushers; they will report to **Joe Valdez** at 12 noon. On Saturday, October 2nd, we need Knights to set up at 9 A.M., and on Sunday, October 3rd, to load up after Mass. The Rosary Rally is self-supported; they are about \$1,500 short of their budget, so please send your donations to Rosary Rally Director Deacon Manual Montoya, 1021 McMullen, N.W., Albuquerque, N.M. 87107.

Our salute to the brave

It's the **Soldier**, not the reporter
Who has given us the freedom of the press.
It's the **Soldier**, not the poet,
Who has given us the freedom of speech.
It's the **Soldier**, not the politicians
That ensures our right to
Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness
It's the **Soldier** who salutes the flag,
Who serves beneath the flag,
And whose coffin is draped by the flag.



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By **Jim McCabe, FICF, LUTC**, General Agent

In today's economy, shrinking returns and stock market losses have made many investors curious about other opportunities to bolster their nest egg. Be on guard! Some investment opportunities, especially those offering large returns and/or bonuses, may be scams.

Solicitations for these investment strategies might reach you by telephone, e-mail, or mailbox, so be mindful of misleading sales tactics. Free-meal seminars are a common method to gain a client base. Once you're inside, pushy salespeople use pressure tactics to entice you without proper documentation or full disclosure of the fees and commissions associated with the investment.

Too often, I receive the call from a member that begins, "It didn't sound right, but I..." Remember, if it sounds too good to be true – it probably is!

If you find a product that interests you, collect all the information about it that you can. Then schedule an appointment with your Knights of Columbus Agent; he can objectively help you evaluate the offer.

We are here to serve you and your family. We work to keep Fr. McGivney's Promise – every day and in every way. Don't be easy prey – call us today.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August

General: That those who are without work or homes or who are otherwise in serious need may find understanding and welcome, as well as concrete help in overcoming their difficulties.

Missionary: That the Church may be a "home" for all people, ready to open its doors to any who are suffering from racial or religious discrimination, hunger, or wars forcing them to emigrate to other countries.