

# The Palmetto State Bulletin

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## The 'Bucket List'

#### By Deacon Bob Cox

Greetings my Brother Knights! Welcome to a new Fraternal Year with a new State Council and good things that lie ahead of us. Vivat Jesus!

My Brothers, what's in your bucket? Sand? Or a list of things to do? Here is the meaning of 'bucket list': achievements or things to do or something to experience before we kick the bucket, in other words, before we die. Or before we reach a certain age. The term 'bucket list' was coined by a screenwriter in 1999, Justin Zackham and made popular by a movie named "Bucket List" starring Morgan Freeman and Jack Nicholson, in 2007.

Brothers, have you ever thought about your own bucket list? Whether you have called it a 'Bucket List' or not, I venture to say that you have thought about accomplishing something that seemed unlikely or you might have scheduled a well- deserved trip or vacation for the family. If your 'bucket list' consists of destinations, maybe you can check off trips to some of the 58 National Parks in America, including marquee parks such as, the Grand Canyon, Yosemite and Yellowstone. You can even visit one that is very close to a lot of us, The Congaree National Park in Columbia!

Sue and I have been able to cross off Yellowstone, Badlands, Mt. Rushmore, Crater Lake, Yosemite, Grand Canyon, Redwood, Sequoia, Hoover Dam, and the Petrified Forest National Park. Beautiful parks and great sites! We still want to go over to Rome, Italy, Ireland and Scotland someday. In fact,

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this fall we can check off Rome as we take a Pilgrimage trip to Rome with Bishop Guglielmone and another 100 people from the Diocese of Charleston!

Perhaps you are like us and have not-travel items on your 'bucket list'. Life- long marriage (we will be celebrating 45 years in January), blessed with children and then with grandchildren! We have attended Mass together for 46 years, our two adult children and their families attend Mass regularly and have their children attending religious education classes (age permitting). Brothers, it is my hope that your families are doing the same. Remember, you are the leader of your Domestic Church and it is your responsibility to check these things off your 'bucket list'.

Remember, this isn't the end of our lists. It is the beginning. Perhaps like me, you have an item on your list that you aren't sure about. God calling you! Perhaps to be a deacon or a priest! You will eventually have to answer that call from God. I am so happy that I answered His calling and went through five years of education and training and was rewarded by being Ordained as a Deacon for the Diocese of Charleston in 2016! If you are being called, answer Him and then contemplate on what it is He wants you to do for the Church! If your faith is strong, you can do it. Remember, that the Risen Lord will be there to guide you! Check it off!

## SCHEDULE OF STATE WIDE EVENTS

#### July 2019

#### August 2019

- 6 8 137th Annual Supreme Convention Minneapolis, MN
- Formation Degree, registration 0945-1015, degree start 1030 - St, Michael's Catholic Church, 542 Cypress Ave, Murrells Inlet, SC - District 11
- Holy Day of Obligation Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

 Knighthood Degree, registration 0945-1015, degree start 1030. Jacket and tie or military dress.
St, Michael's Catholic Church, 542 Cypress Ave, Murrells Inlet, SC - Council 8980

#### September 2019

TBD Council Soccer Challenge

- 27-29 Diocese of Charleston, Catholic Camporee -Batesburg, SC
- 28 Fourth Degree Exemplification Nativity Catholic Church, James Island, SC



**From the State Deputy** Daniel Barton Brother Knights,

I hope this edition of the Palmetto Bulletin finds you and your family well.

I would like to extend my grateful appreciation to all those who helped to make the District Deputy Organizational Meeting, State Leadership Meeting as well as the Columbus Hope Foundation Workshop a tremendous success. Throughout these meetings, much-needed information on Faith in Action, membership growth and charity for those with intellectual disabilities and special needs were passed along. It is our hope and prayer that with this knowledge, you will be instrumental in making this the most successful year for your council.

Reflecting upon the words spoken by St John Paul II to the Order, he stated that the Church today feels a particular urgency to emphasize the vocation and mission of the laity. How true his words today, as the Knights of Columbus are an excellent example of the contribution which the laity can make by working together. However, in order for us to build upon the good works past generations of knights, we must inspire other men to join our ranks. For the continued success of the Order begins with each of us.

In the coming weeks and months specific information on Faith in Action programs, membership drives will be forthcoming. In the meantime, I would highly encourage everyone to attend the Council Quick Start webcast on July 25, 2019.

**Fraternally Yours** 



## From the Vocations Director

James P. Weiskircher, Vocations Director



As we begin the new fiscal year, Father Matthew Gray takes over as the new Vicar of Vocations for the diocese. I have had the privilege of working with Father Gray in his role as Diocesan Scout Chaplain and he is a positive person with an incredible love

of the Lord and always has a big smile on his face. Father Gray will have responsibilities for the seminarians, Diocesan Scouts, and the Citadel cadets. We need to give him all of the support that we can to help him be successful in his new position.

We started out last year with 18 men in the program. We were blessed to have three ordained: Father Franciso Onate-Vargas, Father Jimmy Touzeau, and Father Bruce Barnett. Thank you to all the councils that supported them throughout their time in the seminary. The journey to the priesthood is a long one. If they have completed college, they will have 6 years of studies. If they are coming right from high school, their journey will be 8 years. If they are going into a religious order their journey is from 10-12 years of formation. When you enter the seminary, you are saying yes to seeing if the life of a priest is right for you. At 18 years of age, it is difficult to say that you are 100 percent committed but you are open to Christ's call. This past year we had three young men that decided that the life of a priest was not for them. Thomas Drury, Alex Foley, and Eric Roman have dropped from the program. Three young men will be joining the program next month, so we will be at 15 seminarians in the program in the fall.

I would ask that if you sponsored Fathers Francisco Onate-Vargas, Jimmy Touzeau, or Bruce Barnett, or seminarians Thomas Drury, Alex Foley or Eric Roman that you wait before selecting a replacement. We will not have the new names and school addresses of the seminarians until the middle of next month. The program that we put into place last year worked extremely well with making sure that we equally divided the support. I am working closely with the Vocations department to track support. Please contact me to confirm your support for the coming fiscal year. Please remember that the seminarians need not only our financial support but also our prayers. I can be contacted at jim.weiskircher1@gmail.com.

## Patriot's

**Corner** Tom Monahon, PSD Master, South Carolina District, DeSoto Province



Brother Sir Knights,

**July**: This is the start of a new fraternal year. I congratulate all new Faithful Navigators who have been elected for this year. As of July 1, sixteen installations are complete. The remaining 14 are scheduled in July.

**80th Exemplification:** The 80th Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree will be Saturday, September 28, 2019, at Nativity Catholic Church in James Island, SC. Start recruiting now. I am pleased to announce that SK Richard Gabriel, PSD will be the honoree for this exemplification.

**Our Catholic Legacy:** July 4<sup>th</sup> is a great American holiday. We salute our forefathers for their courage and convictions. In signing the Declaration of Independence, those men were committing treason. If the Revolution had failed, everything they had would have been lost – their property, livelihood, freedom, ... their life. We salute Charles Carrol, a catholic, one of the richest persons in the country, who signed the Declaration as "Charles Carrol of Carrolton" so there would be not doubt that he was pledging everything to this new nation.

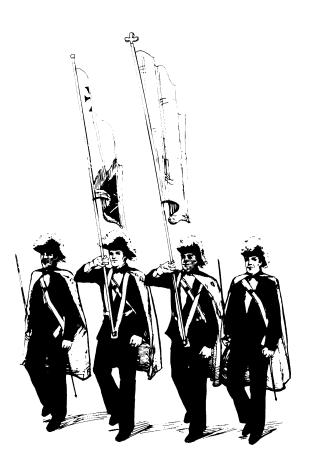
### Let us pray for our country and Church:

Holy Family pray for us. Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and the unborn, pray for us. St. Joseph, patron saint of the Universal Church, pray for us.





"Sir Knight" is more than a title --- it's an honor!



## From the State Ceremonials Chairman

Michael A. Allen IPSD

Brother Knights,

As we begin a new fraternal year, I want to thank everyone who made last year great and thank you all in advance for the wonderful year coming up.

Ceremonials are not just about new Knights or numbers or quotas. Sure, the Officers at the top are always trying to make this state good by increasing our numbers and strengthening the Order.

I'm talking about making the state great by bringing the Word of God to the men who don't always have the resources or support, or knowledge to get to the Gospel on a regular basis. That's where ceremonials come in. If you haven't attended a degree in a while, you may not remember just how jam packed they are with God's good news and principles we need to live good Catholic lives. If you haven't been to a degree lately, make this the year to attend and really listen to the messages they contain then take those messages back to your council and discuss God's word with your brothers. You won't be disappointed, and they will be thankful that you did.

Vivat Jesus,

Mike

## **Admissions Degree Standings (FY 18-19)**

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	% of GOAL
Edward Kamenski		DD #1	17	12	70.6%
	5026	Beaufort	4	3	75.0%
	7289	Hilton Head	3	1	33.3%
	10668	Hilton Head	5	5	100.0%
	12263	Bluffton	5	3	60.0%
Vacant	DD # 2		16	13	81.3%
	2207	Sumter	4	2	50.0%
	6847	N. E. Columbia	5	4	80.0%
	9672	Camden	3	1	33.3%
	13713	Blythewood	4	4	100.0%
V. Patrick Eagan		DD # 3	16	12	75.0%
	5086	Myrtle Beach	4	4	100.0%
	7122	N. Myrtle Beach	5	3	60.0%
	7531	Conway	4	3	75.0%
	14892	Loris	3	2	66.7%
Sherrill Wil	cox (Ed)	DD # 4	12	7	58.3%
	3684	Aiken	5	4	80.0%
	7062	N. Augusta	4	3	75.0%
	9161	Barnwell	3	0	0.0%
Joe Friend	DD # 5		16	6	37.5%
	6629	Summerville	5	3	60.0%
	8502	Walterboro	3	0	0.0%
	8900	N. Charleston	4	0	0.0%
	11910	Summerville	4	3	75.0%

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	%of GOAL
Donald Thu	rlow. Jr.	DD # 6	13	7	53.8%
	6884	Seneca	5	5	100.0%
	8295	Anderson	4	2	50.0%
	9576	Pickens	4	õ	0.0%
Jerald J. Wł		DD # 7	14	6	42.9%
Jeraid J. WI	6891	Orangeburg	3	0	0.0%
	11325	Lexington	4	6	150.0%
	12554	Columbia	4	0	0.0%
	12334		•	0	
Level O Al		Manning/Santee			0.0%
James O. Al		DD # 8	21	7	33.3%
	1668	Greenville	5	3	60.0%
	8182	Mauldin	4	0	0.0%
	10819	Simpsonville	5	0	0.0%
	13112	Greenville	4	3	75.0%
**	15960	Newberry (NJL)		1	33.3%
Vacant	DD # 9		21	7	33.3%
	704	Charleston	5	0	0.0%
	6250	James Island	4	1	25.0%
	9475	Mt. Pleasant	5	2	40.0%
	10334	Charleston	3	1	33.3%
	12472	Charleston	4	3	75.0%
Claire N. B	uckley, Jr.	DD # 10	14	4	28.6%
	6756	Rock Hill	5	0	0.0%
	10066	Lancaster	3	3	100.0%
	12268	York	3	1	33.3%
**	15611	Rock Hill	3	0	0.0%
Ronald E. C		DD # 11	13	7	53.8%
rtonaid Er e	3067	Georgetown	3	1	33.3%
	8980	Garden City	5	2	40.0%
	11028	Pawleys Island	5	4	80.0%
Frank Love		i uwieys island	13	1	7.7%
I funk Love	5194	Florence	4	1	25.0%
	8123	Hartsville	3	0	0.0%
	8790	Marion/Dillon	3	0	0.0%
	10867	Cheraw	3	0	0.0%
Pat Davis	DD # 13	Cliciaw	16	19	118.8%
Fat Davis		an/Goose Creek	4	8	200.0%
	6900	Citadel	4	0	
			•		0.0%
	11471	Moncks Corner	3	2	66.7%
D' 1 177	11991	Goose Creek	5	9	180.0%
Richard J. H		DD # 14	23	4	17.4%
	6076	Spartanburg	5	1	20.0%
	9184	Taylors	4	1	25.0%
	9575	Spartanburg	5	0	0.0%
	12274	Greer	3	1	33.3%
	12995	Gaffney	3	0	0.0%
**	15519	Greer	3	1	33.3%
James D. W		DD # 15	14	8	57.1%
	12366	Fort Mill	5	3	60.0%
	14475	Lake Wylie	5	4	80.0%
	14765	Indian Land	4	1	25.0%
Mike Manca	ari	DD # 16	16	18	112.5%
	724	Columbia	5	5	100.0%
	6892	Irmo	4	6	150.0%
	7129	Greenwood	4	2	50.0%
	16903	Chapin	3	5	166.7%
Totals		•	255	136	53.3%

## **First Degree Standings Notes**

NOTE: Councils Indicated with an \*, Team Has Been Recertified \*\* Indicates Team Has Not Been Certified Goal for FY 18-19 Degrees Per Council Div I -1-99 - 3 Div II -100-199 - 4



#### Dear Brother Knights

As we begin this new fraternal year, I would like everyone to do the following. I think it will solidify your Council's success with the Faith in Action Program. The first thing is **prayer**. We cannot succeed as leaders unless God is guiding us. This is a must. Kick up your daily prayer life. Expand it into your family and your council. Attend morning Mass at your parish.

Secondly, I want everyone from the Grand Knight to the newest First Degree member to review my outline on how to initiate planning and executing your Council's Faith in Action Program for this year. It was sent out in June to all Grand Knights and District Deputies. Here is the link. I've posted it on the State Council's Faith in Action webpage http://kofcsc. org/faith.asp As soon as the list of new Grand Knights for this Fraternal Year is published, I will re-send the message to them for their planning meetings. Then, after you read the suggested outline and tips, pray about it and call your Grand Knight. Tell him the Program for which you would like to be Chairman. Volunteer to help on several Programs. In the next 12 months, the Council needs to accomplish 16 programs. This demands that everyone chip in and help in a serious way. All four Directors have been appointed for the Faith in Action Programs. Faith - Michael Mancari; Community - Ed Wilcox; Life - Bill & Dee Hooks; Family - Bob Poyer In the near future, Mike Mancari our Faith Director will be setting up the Marion Icon schedule. Again this year two Icons will be traveling the state.

May God bless your Family and your Council this year. Fraternally, Jim St. Clair Director, Faith in Action Program State Council

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#### **NACTION** *Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM* Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators and Members of the State Council:

## Dress for Meetings

Chairman

The presiding officer, in keeping with the dignity of his office, should be neatly and properly dressed. He should request that other officers do likewise to set the proper dress code for the membership to follow. All council or assembly officers should wear some form of identifying tag or name plate. Every effort should be made to visit with those who have not attended meetings for some time. In addition, new members and those who seem to feel uneasy should be approached by the officers and made to feel at home and welcome.

From the State Protocol

## Relationship Between the District Deputy and the Grand Knight

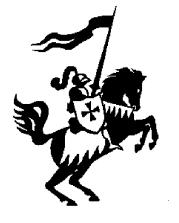
District Deputies are the representatives of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy, and as such, Grand Knights and Council officers should familiarize themselves with the respect due to the position the District Deputy holds. District Deputies should be neatly and properly dressed when attending meetings or functions. When a District Deputy visits a Council or attends a function in his district, he should always be seated in front, near the Grand Knight.

The District Deputy should notify the Grand Knight in his district, either through email or in writing and in advance (one week to ten days) when making an official visit so that all officers will be present with their books and records.

District Deputies should instruct the Grand Knight and warden, if necessary, on proper chamber setup for Council meetings. The District Deputy may also need to advise officers on the proper protocol for members during meetings.

The District Deputy should always be called upon to speak and all members should rise when he is introduced.





## **KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE SCHEDULE FOR 2019 – 2020**

Aug 17

Council 8980, St. Michaels Church, Murrells Inlet

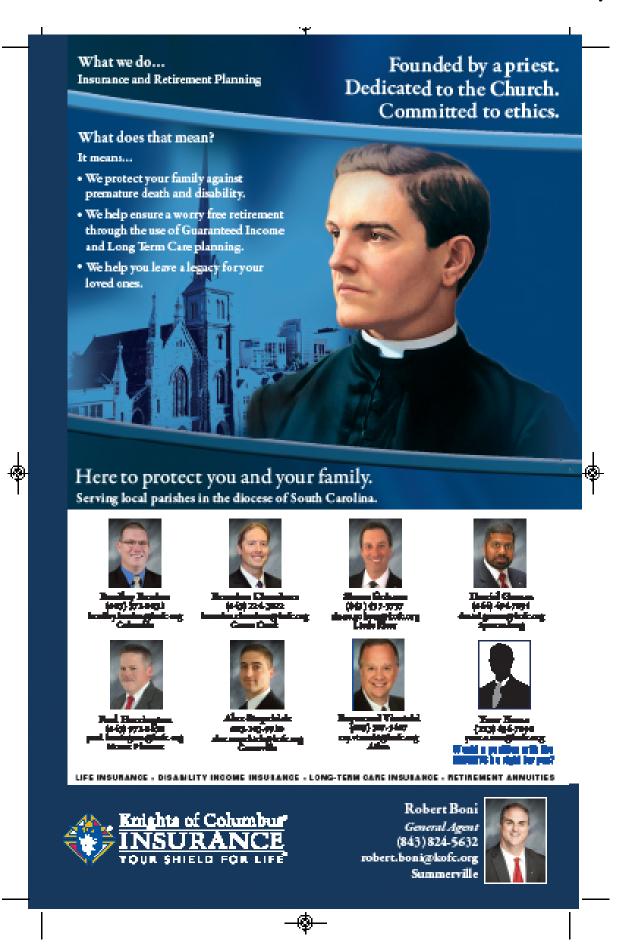
All Knighthood Degrees will start at 12:30. Watch for dates on projected degrees as they are received by the State council. If you think your Council can hold a Third Degree without conflicting with degrees scheduled in your area, contact the Ceremonial Chairman. If you would like a copy of the requirements to hold a Knighthood Degree, email me and I will send you a copy.



## Formation Degree Status 2018-2019

#### As of 7/15/2019

DIST 1	DISTRICT DEPUTY Edward Kamenski	TEAM Captain Edward Kamenski	Team Name (Dist Served) Low Country (1)	GOAL 4	ACTUAL 2	% GOAL 50.0%
2	Larry E. Huff	Ralph Rossoni	Capital City (2, 7 &12)	5	2	40.0%
3	V. Patrick Eagan	Charles Van Demark	Grand Strand Team (3 & 11)	5	6	120.0%
4	Sherrill (Ed) Wilcox	Bill Collins, PGK	Aiken Team (4)	4	4	100.0%
5	Joseph W. Friend	Roy Massey	Flowertown (5)	4	1	25.0%
7	Jerald J. Whitman	Peter LaPierre	Corpus Christi (6 & 7 )	5	2	40.0%
8	Charles A. Bathon	Ron Stanley	Greater Greenville (8 & 14)	5	5	100.0%
9	Vacant	Daniel Barton	Greater Charleston (9)	4	0	0.0%
10	Claire N. Buckley, Jr.	Geary Bradley	Up State ((10 & 15)	5	1	20.0%
13	Pat Davis	Pat Davis	Creekside (13)	4	3	75.0%
16	Mike Mancari	Mike Mancari	Fr. Frederick H. Suggs (6 & 16)	5	5	100.0%
			Totals	50	31	62.0%



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