



# The Palmetto State Bulletin



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## DISASTER RELIEF

### HURRICANES IRMA AND HARVEY VICTIMS NEED YOUR HELP



In the wakes of hurricanes Harvey and Irma thousands of people are beginning the long process of putting their lives back together. They need your help in this

recovery effort.

For donations online, go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org).

Please DONATE TODAY to help those suffering immense devastation. One hundred percent of the proceeds will go directly to relief efforts. This includes providing immediate needs of food, clean water, shelter and other necessities.

For Donations by Check

Make Checks Payable To: "Knights of Columbus Charities"  
Kindly specify "United Disaster Relief" on the memo line of your check.

For Donations by Check in USD:

Send To:

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## Exemplification

**September 30, 2017**

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
1885 Raoul Wallenberg Blvd,  
Charleston, SC 29407

Candidate and Banquet  
Reservations by 9/15/17

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

### SCHEDULE OF STATE WIDE EVENTS

#### September 2017

- 16 Knighthood Degree - Council 11325 Lexington
- 23 Knighthood Degree - Council 11991, Goose Creek, SC
- 23 Formation & Knighthood Degree - Council 1668 Greenville
- 30 75th Exemplification of the 4th Degree - Charleston

#### October 2017

- 1 Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem
- 21 Knighthood Degree - Council 6756, Rock Hill, SC

#### November 2017

- TBD Knighthood Degree - Council 9475, Mt. Pleasant,
- 1 All Saints Day
- 11 Soccer Shot Out - Cardinal Newman High School, Columbia, SC

#### December 2017

- 1 - 3 \*DD's Winter Workshop Meeting - Westin Resort & Spa, Hilton Head Island
- 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- 25 Christmas



## From the State Deputy

Michael A. Allen

Brothers,

First, I want to thank you for a very fast start to the fraternal year. Recruitment has been slow for the last few years, however, this year looks as if we are back on track to win the coveted circle of honor award. That is a testament to the resilience of the Catholic men of South Carolina. Don't forget to shoot for the STAR. Your State Council is looking forward to making breakfast for all the councils that achieve their goal by the end of 2017.

As I write this message, hurricane Irma is making her way to south Florida. There is no way of telling where she is headed next. The Supreme Council has given South Carolina a \$40,000 grant in gift cards and cash to help aid those brother Knights and their families who are affected by the hurricane. If you have a need or know of a brother who has taken a loss from the storm please, use the chain of command and get in touch with your Grand Knight who can contact his District Deputy to get that information to me as soon as possible so we can get relief to the community quickly.

On a more personal note, the State Council entered a golf tournament last weekend to help raise money for the Columbus H.O.P.E. foundation in Rock Hill. It was a fun event filled with Unity and Fraternity. In short, we had a great time and raised money for the intellectually handicapped youth in York, Chester and Lancaster counties. If your council is having an event to benefit the Columbus H.O.P.E. foundation, please make sure that your State Officers know about it so we can participate. Remember also that, while we do the fun and easy part of helping with the disadvantaged youth in our areas, the real hard part are those technicians and therapists who take our donations and turn it into real miracles for the kids. Please be sure to keep those lifesaving angels in your prayers every day.

As always, thanks for all you do to make your state, your parish and your local community a better place.

Vivat Jesus,

## From the Vocations Director

*James P. Weiskircher, Vocations Director*

I was hoping to have all of the names and parishes of the new seminarians so that you would know who from your parish that you should sponsor. The Office of Vocations has yet to update their web site and contact list. As soon as I get the list, I will send an email to each of the councils that have a new seminarian from their parish with the hopes that his home council will sponsor him. Bishop Guglielmone has asked if a seminarian is from your parish that you sponsor him. This helps to bring the parish together in prayers and financial support for the young man. It is important that they have a strong support base encouraging them to continue their studies.

If you are looking for a new seminarian to sponsor, please email me and I will get you the name of a deserving candidate. With 10 new seminarians, we want to make sure that everyone has at least one council supporting them. Guys that have been in the program for more than two years in many cases have multiple councils sponsoring them. In Andrew Fryml and Rhett Williams cases they had 6 sponsoring councils, with most of them just having one council sponsoring them, or in the new seminarian's cases, no one sponsoring them yet. As you are establishing your budgets for this year, please consider sponsoring a seminarian if you have not done so in the past. If you have sponsored one, please consider sponsoring a second one in the coming year. I will be able to make a recommendation so that we can make sure that one seminarian does not receive all of the support while the others go without any. If a young man is from your parish or has worked in the parish over the summer please support them. The Councils in South Carolina have been very generous in the past and I am hoping that you will continue again this year. This year, we have ten young men entering the seminary. We need to make sure that each of them is covered.

Remember that all seminarians need support. If you are in the Rock Hill area, and your priests come from the Oratory, then please consider supporting a seminarian from there. If your parish is covered by an Order like the Adorno Fathers or Franciscan's, please consider supporting a seminarian from their Order. They need our support and prayers as much as our diocesan seminarians do.

Our seminarians are starting back to school and if they are going to a new seminary, their addresses and email addresses will be changing. Several of our seminarians are going to St. Mary's Seminary in Houston. Our prayers go out to them and I hope that the seminary was spared the flooding.

Last year, our council decided to participate in the Keep Christ in Christmas, Christmas card and car magnet program. We purchased the kit and took orders after Mass for

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## Patriot's Corner

Tom Monahon, PSD  
Master, South Carolina District  
DeSoto Province



Brother Sir Knights,

I attended a meeting with the Vice Supreme Master Bob Anderson and all the Masters of

the De Soto Province this weekend where the new uniform was discussed. Here are the exact word [with my edits for brevity] to the amended "Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus."

*"Section 40 (a) The official regalia when serving in a Color Corps (Honor Guard or Color Guard) is the same as the official dress of a member [i.e. the new uniform] or a black tie, plain white tuxedo shirt, black cummerbund, black socks, plain black shoes, black tuxedo ... with the following additions: ...[cape, chapeaux, white gloves, and sword.]"*

This is the best and most current information of the requirements. I know the Supreme website states that after June 30, 2018, "only the new uniform should be worn." What this means and how it will be implemented, I do not know. I do know that true Sir Knights hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable and will continue to serve the Church and keep God in the civic arena.

The fact is that the new uniform is here and it is here to stay. I encourage any Sir Knight who is considering the new uniform to order it before the end of September 2017, while Supreme is offering a 25% discount. Order from [www.knightgear.com](http://www.knightgear.com). The 75<sup>th</sup> South Carolina District Exemplification is scheduled for September 30 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Charleston. Time is short to recruit new Fourth Degree members. Candidates shall wear a black or dark (blue or grey) business suit with black socks with black shoes, white dress shirt and tie. Tux meets this requirement. Sports coats and slacks are not allowed. I encourage all Sir Knights to come and wear their regalia.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas and the unborn, pray for us.



## Prayer

Deacon Bob Cox

My fellow Knights, I hope you all have had an opportunity to read the Catholic Miscellany Article "Prayer is needed to combat evil and violence, bishop says," dated September 7, 2017. Bishop Guglielmone presents a compelling article for prayer, peace, and justice.

As Knights of Columbus, we are called to echo Bishop Guglielmone's warning, "A society that does not welcome God into its midst, is going to know evil. And the power of evil appears strong." My brothers, we have to help combat this evil that the bishop is speaking about. We need to pray. Individually, with family, at your council meetings, at daily Mass and at Mass on Saturday evening and Sunday. As Knights, you have the opportunity to lead praying the rosary before all Masses (provided your Pastor gives his consent) to help fight evil.

As the bishop recommends, we need to pray for justice, peace, and harmony, all the while seeking the Holy Spirit's aid to open hearts that have been closed to God. As Knights, we have a great opportunity to assist the Church, the Bishop, and our parish communities. We can share our faith with others. Should you be a little uncomfortable sharing your faith with others, consider attending an RCIA class at your parish, where you will gain the knowledge and confidence through group discussions. Then, pray about it, and go share your faith!

As Knights, we must be prepared to face the Godlessness in our society. We need to ask Jesus to grace us with His help and to bless us with the power of prayer. As Bishop Guglielmone states, "For Jesus Christ is love, Jesus Christ is the power of compassion and magnificent God. There is no room for evil." Brothers, we have to pray.

So, keep the faith. Share the faith. Use your faith to overcome the power of evil in our society and the world.





## From the State Ceremonials/ Protocol Chairman

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM

Worthy Grand Knights and Members of the State Council:  
It looks like several Councils are off to a good start with holding Admission Degrees. We need all councils to get active and hold Admission Degrees often and bring in new life blood to the Knights of Columbus. Ask your Council what it will take to add new members to help do the work of Charity, Unity and Fraternity. If your Council needs help your District Deputy is only a phone call away.

Several have asked how they can get the new Carolingian Crucifixes that are being given to new Formation Degree members; they can be ordered from Supreme Council by your council by using its item number 30635. They would make a good gift to Knight or Family of the Month.

The attached reports show the status of each council for Admission Degrees and the District Formation Degrees for 2017 – 2018. These reports do not show membership intake for councils or District. They only show either Admission or Formation Degrees held.

### PROTOCOL

Worthy Grand Knights, Faithful Navigators and Members of the State Council:

#### Dress for Meetings and Degrees

The presiding officer, in keeping with the dignity of his office, should be neatly and properly dressed. He should request that his officers do likewise to set the proper dress code for the membership to follow. Proper dress for this and all degrees is coat and tie. Remember the first impression that visitors and new members (candidates) get is what they see first when coming to a function or degree. Dress for candidates should also be coat and tie for all degrees. They should be told this

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### Admissions Degree Standings

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	% of GOAL
Edward Kamenski	DD #1		21	3	14.3%
	5026	BEAUFORT	5	0	0%
	7289	HILTON HEAD	4	0	0%
	10668	HILTON HEAD	6	1	16.7%
	12263	BLUFFTON	6	2	33.3%
Anthony Zammarrelli	DD #2		19	2	10.5%
	2207	SUMTER	5	0	0%
	6847	N.E. COLUMBIA	6	0	0%
	9672	CAMDEN	4	0	0%
	13713	BLYTHEWOOD	4	2	50.0%
Joseph Dumovich	DD #3		20	0	00%
	5086	MYRTLE BEACH	5	0	0%
	7122	N. MYRTLE BEACH	6	0	0%
	7531	CONWAY	5	0	0%
	14892	LORIS	4	0	0%
Sherrill Wilcox	DD #4		14	0	0%
	3684	AIKEN	6	0	0%
	7062	N. AUGUSTA	4	0	0%
	9161	BARNWELL	4	0	0%

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	% of GOAL
Roy Massey, Jr.	DD #5		19	4	21.1%
	6629	SUMMERVILLE	6	1	16.7%
	8502	WALTERBORO	4	1	25.0%
	8900	N. CHARLESTON	4	1	25.0%
	11910	SUMMERVILLE	5	1	20.0%
Donald Thurlow, Jr.	DD #6		14	1	7.1%
	6884	SENECA	6	0	0%
	8295	ANDERSON	4	1	25.0%
	9576	PICKENS	4	0	0%
Jerald Whitman	DD #7		18	1	6.3%
	6891	ORANGEBURG	4	0	0%
	11325	LEXINGTON	4	1	25.0%
	12554	COLUMBIA	4	0	0%
	15223	MANNING/SANTEE	4	0	0%
Jeffrey Crouch	DD #8		23	1	4.3%
	1668	GREENVILLE	5	1	20.0%
	8182	MAULDIN	4	0	0%
	10819	SIMPSONVILLE	6	0	0%
	13112	GREENVILLE	4	0	0%
	*15960	NEWBERRY (NJL)	4	0	0%
Edmund McDowell	DD #9		24	2	8.3%
	704	CHARLESTON	6	0	0%
	6250	JAMES ISLAND	4	2	50.0%
	9475	MT. PLEASANT	6	0	0%
	10334	CHARLESTON	4	0	0%
	12472	CHARLESTON	4	0	0%
Ray Howard	DD #10		17	1	5.9%
	6756	ROCK HILL	5	0	0%
	10066	LANCASTER	4	1	25.0%
	12268	YORK	4	0	0%
	* 15611	ROCK HILL	4	0	0%
Dennis Lacro	DD #11		15	1	6.7%
	3067	GEORGETOWN	4	1	25.0%
	8980	GARDEN CITY	6	0	0%
	11028	PAWLEYS ISL	5	0	0%
Frank Love	DD #12		17	1	5.9%
	5194	FLORENCE	5	0	0%
	8123	HARTSVILLE	4	1	25.0%
	8790	MARION DILLON	4	0	0%
	10867	CHERAW	4	0	0%
Pat Davis	DD #13		18	2	11.1%
	6726	HANAHAN/GC	4	0	0%
	6900	CITADEL	5	0	0%
	11471	MONCK'S CORNER	4	0	0%
	11991	GOOSE CREEK	5	2	40.0%
William Larkin	DD #14		28	4	14.3%
	6076	SPARTANBURG	5	1	20.0%
	9184	TAYLORS	5	0	0%
	9575	SPARTANBURG	6	2	33.3%
	12274	GREER	4	0	0%
	12995	GAFFNEY	4	1	25.0%
	*15519	GREER	4	0	0%
Theron Simpson	DD #15		14	2	14.3%
	12366	FORT MILL	5	0	0%
	14475	LAKE WYLIE	5	2	40.0%
	14765	INDIAN LAND	4	0	0%
Mike Mancari	DD #16		17	2	13.3%
	724	COLUMBIA	6	1	16.7%
	6892	IRMO	5	1	20.0%
	7129	GREENWOOD	4	0	0%
TOTAL			294	27	9.2%

\* Degree Team Not Certified

## First Degree Standings Notes

Goal for FY 15-16

Degrees Per Council

Div I - 1-150 - 4

Div II - 151-225 - 5

Div III - 226 & Above - 6



## Building The Domestic Church

Dear South Carolina Brother Knights,

As we establish the initiative, Building the Domestic Church, those of you who already are in the mode of daily prayers, rosaries, novenas, and attending weekday Mass regularly, I ask you to dive deeper into your commitment and kick it up another notch. Pray for your fellow Knights who are resisting or are apprehensive about such a commitment. Pray for your extended family members and for your parish family, that they, too, will see the need for a renewed spiritual life. It is the first step in building the Domestic Church and the time to move forward into parish involvement is upon us.

As I write this letter, we are undergoing a serious threat to Florida, Georgia, Alabama, and to our State of South Carolina. Hurricane Irma is a gargantuan monster. The images from Hurricane Harvey in Texas are a bitter and clear memory of devastation from just 2 weeks ago. Surely, my brothers, these two events have brought you to a state of heightened prayer which is a wonderful response to any catastrophe. I'm also sure that you have already contributed to the Knights of Columbus Charity effort to help those affected by the storm(s). Good for you. **KEEP LOOKING FOR WAYS TO HELP.**

As I mentioned last year at the mid-winter GK workshop, my brothers, we are in a spiritual battle that is raging across the globe. Regard for life, rule of law, and common civility are all being abandoned faster than we ever thought possible just 3 years ago. These societal breakdowns are a huge threat to our Domestic Church. Brother Knights, let's take this initiative seriously and start praying individually, as a family, and as a Council. Let us all pray for our nation, our Church, and our families. Let us pray for all the folks who were devastated by Harvey and Irma. Finally, let us pray for the seminarian sponsored by Council 6514 of Athens, Georgia. Earlier this year he returned to Mexico where the seminary there assigned him to a remote outpost. He was subsequently accosted by banditos. They have threatened to return and take his life. He wants to return to an American seminary. Let us all pray that his VISA is approved. In next month's newsletter I'll let you know of the outcome to this prayer request.

Keep chargin' !!

Jim St. Clair,

Director, Building the Domestic Church

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three weekends. We announced that all funds would go to the seminarians. In those three weeks, we raised \$1,500 and had zero inventory left over. If you let parishioners know where the funds are going they will be much more likely to support the program.

As Knights, we need to find creative ways to continue to promote vocations to our young people. They need to see young priests in action and see vocations as a viable career option. The numbers entering the seminary are encouraging and we need to encourage more. Thank you for your past and future support.

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during the interview with the admission team or when advancing to higher degrees of the order by the sponsor, Council Grand Knight or membership chairman. If a member does not have this the Council should provide him a coat and tie for the degree.

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Knights of Columbus Charities

One Columbus Plaza

PO Box 1966

New Haven, CT 06509-1966

For questions regarding a donation, please contact us at 800-694-5713 M-F between the hours of 8:00AM and 4:30PM EST or E-mail [info@kofccharities.org](mailto:info@kofccharities.org)

The Knights of Columbus Disaster Relief Fund is used to support the work of the local councils through their disaster response efforts, in coordination with emergency agencies and first responders. One hundred percent of the funds raised go directly to relief efforts.



## Formation Degree Standings - 2017-2018

*POC: RONALD G. POVERO, PSD, State Ceremonials Chairman*

DISTRICT	DISTRICT DEPUTY	TEAM CAPTAIN	TEAM NAME (Dist Served By Team)	GOAL	ACTUAL	% GOAL	PROJ DEGREES
1	Edward Kamenski	Richard Bachner, FDD	Low Country Team ( 1 )	4	0	0%	4
2	Anthony Zammerelli	Ralph Rossoni	Capital City Team (2, 7, 12 & 16)	6	1	16.7%	5
3	Joseph Dumovich	C Van Demnark, FDD	Grand Strand Team ( 3 & 11 )	4	1	25.0%	4
3	Joseph Dumovich	Don Ullman, FDD	San Juan Diego Team	2	0	0	2
4	Sherrill (Ed) Wilcox	Bill Collins, PGK	Aiken Team ( 4 )	4	0	0%	4
5	Roy Massey, Jr.	David R. Griffard, FDD	Flowertown Team ( 5 )	4	1	25.0%	3
8	Jerry Whitman	Peter LaPierre	Corpus Christi Team (7 & 16)	4	1	25.0%	3
8	Jeffrey Crouch	Ron Stanley	* Greater Greenville Area Team (8 & 14 )	5	1	20.0%	4
9	Edmund McDowell	Daniel E. Barton, ST	Greater Charleston Area Team (9)	4	1	25.0%	3
10	Ray Howard	Geary Bradley	Up State Team (10 & 15)	5	0	0%	5
13	Pat Davis	Pat Davis, DD	Creekside Team (13)	4	0	0%	4
16	Mike Mancari	Mike Mancari	Fr. Frederick H. Suggs Team (6 & 16)	5	1	25.0%	35
TOTAL				50	7	14.0	

\* Team needs to perform new Formation Degree

## KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE SCHEDULE FOR 2017 – 2018

August 20, 2017	Aiken Council 3684 District 4	NOTE: Starts at 2:00 PM
August 26, 2017	Sumter Council 2207 District 2	
September 16, 2017	Lexington Council 11325, District 7	
September 23, 2017	Greenville Council 1668 District 8	
September 23, 2017	Goose Creek Council 11991 District 13	
October 21, 2017	Rock Hill Council 15611 District 10	
November 2017	Mt. Pleasant Council 9475 District 9	
January 27, 2018	Hilton Head Council 10668, District 1	NOTE: Starts at 11:00 AM
February 10, 2018	Irmo Council 6892, District 16	
February 10, 2018	Citadel Council 6900, District 9	
April 7, 2018	Conway Council 7531, District 3	
May 19, 2018	N.E. Columbia Council 6847, District 2	
June 9, 2018	Greenwood Council 7129, District 16	

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.

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM  
South Carolina Ceremonial Chairman



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