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Our Catholic Legacy Supporting World War I

100th Anniversary of Armistice

The War and the U. S. Catholic Church

On July 28, 1914, World War I began in earnest. The United States entered the war April 6, 1917, playing a decisive role in its outcome. The Armistice, ending World War I, was signed at 11:00 AM, on November 11, 1918 – 100 years ago this year. “There was a lot of anti-Catholic feeling in the country before the war, based on the large [number] of Catholic immigrants coming into the country,” said W. John Shepherd, an associate archivist at the American Catholic History Research Center and University Archives at The Catholic University of America in Washington. “I think the war was very important to Catholics to show themselves and the rest of the country ... that they could be devout Catholics and loyal patriots,” Shepherd said.

When the war started in 1914, the American bishops expressed support for the “Preparedness Movement.” Cardinal James Gibbons of Baltimore endorsed universal military training. After Congress declared war on Germany in April 1917, the US archbishops informed President Woodrow Wilson:

“We are all true Americans, ready as our age, our ability, and our conditions will permit, to do whatsoever is in us to do, for the preservation, the progress and the triumph of our beloved country.”

History shows Catholics answered the call of their country and responded courageously to their Bishops’ call for support.

Catholics volunteered in twice their numerical proportions of Catholic citizens in the country. Five million U. S. personnel were mobilized to fight in the war. One-million were Catholic. The U. S. Bishops focused on the Catholics in the training camps and the battlefields. Those soldiers were every bit deserving of spiritual care as their Protestant counterparts. To that end, in the summer of 1918, U. S Bishops formed the National Catholic War Council to support U.S. military efforts and oversee war-related activities in the church.

This marked the beginning of participation in large scale national activities for Catholics in the U.S. From Liberty Loan drives to raise money to fight the war to Red Cross drives, United War Work, and war saving stamps sales, Catholics participated in all of these.

The Knights of Columbus

In 1917, the Catholic Church had no national organization to provide such services as The National Catholic War Council would be chartered to provide. The Knights of Columbus did. The Knights of Columbus, the largest lay Catholic organization in the country, spearheaded much of the Catholic service effort during the war. The Knights ran recreational facilities, offices, chapels, and hundreds of centers stateside and overseas to provide services and recreation to soldiers. The Knights coordinated fundraisers and war relief efforts. When the first goal of \$1 million was raised in record time from the stateside councils, the goal was upped to \$3 million.

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SCHEDULE OF STATE WIDE EVENTS

October 2018

11 TBD, Knighthood Degree Starting time 12:00 PM, District 1

November 2018

3 Knighthood Degree, starting at 12:00 PM, Irmo, Council 6892 - Irmo - Council 6892

22 Thanksgiving

30 - Dec 2 District Deputy Mid Winter Meeting - Hilton Head, SC

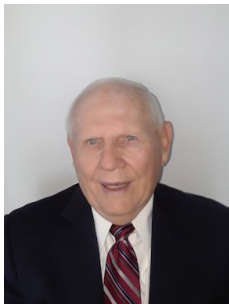
December 2018

25 Nativity of the Lord

January 2019

1 HAPPY NEW YEAR

26 Knighthood Degree, starting time 12:00 PM Bluffton, SC - Council District 1



From the State Deputy

Edward M. Griffin

My Brother Knights,

The State of South Carolina, by the grace of God, was spared a vicious hurricane by the name of Florence that brought high winds and rain to the southeast. Although we sustained heavy rain and flooding, just north of us, Wilmington, New Bern and much of the coast of North Carolina bore the brunt of the hurricane by receiving heavy damage from winds and continuous rain causing tremendous flooding.

The State Council, along with jurisdictions from Georgia, North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington DC, at the direction of Supreme's Disaster Coordinator, Scott Read, and his committee met days prior to the storm hitting to establish plans to deal with the pending disaster. These plans included establishing staging areas for water, food, cleaning supplies, baby items and truck rentals to move the supplies to needed areas. Sysco Foods supplied all of our needs, as well as, hot food for first responders. Our Disaster Chairman, Mike Allen, Daniel Barton and I were part of a daily video meeting with Supreme's Disaster Relief Committee during which each jurisdiction summarized its position prior, during and after the storm hit.

Materials needed by one jurisdiction were moved from one staging area to another based on need. Volunteer committees from all jurisdictions were established and sent to areas that needed help. Our State Disaster Committee was in communication with all State Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights, and other Brother Knights to ensure that the needs of South Carolina were being addressed. At the present time, I have not received any requests from District Deputies or Grand Knights for financial grants to Brother Knights. I have submitted to all District Deputies and Grand Knights forms to be completed for disaster relief grants. Financial grants are available for relief of some damages not covered by insurance policies. Unfortunately, we are not able to cover financial needs as a result of high premium deductibles. I would like to thank all Councils for their involvement with the helping of staging supplies and the movement of these

From the Vocations Director

James P. Weiskircher, Vocations Director

As Knights, we understand that the journey to the priesthood for a diocesan priest, which is 8 years for a young man without a college degree, and 6 for one with a college degree. But for a young man entering the seminary for a religious order it is 12 years. Below is an article written by Brother Rafael Padron CRM of the Adorno Fathers. It was a full 6 years before he was able to obtain a visa to come home to visit his family. He has been studying in the seminary for 10 years and is in his final year at Seton Hall in New Jersey. He will then have a pastoral year and be ordained a transitional deacon, then priest. How many of us would have the courage to answer as he did, "if that's what I have to do to become a priest, I will do it".



I was born in Mexico City, February 25, 1988, and arrived in the United States in October of 2001 at the age of 12 years old, and settled together with my family in Goose Creek, South Carolina. Our family became parishioners of Immaculate

Conception Church in 2003, which was administrated by Fr. Frank Palmieri CRM, Pastor and his parochial vicar Fr. Ed Enverga CRM.

I attended Sunday Mass occasionally. As the Spanish community at Immaculate Conception was growing and developing, I became one of the pioneers of the new Spanish speaking young adult group. I eventually became very active in the activities of the church by becoming a lector, and a representative of the Spanish community on the parish pastoral council. I was also one of the core members of the young adult group. In 2007, the idea of becoming a priest did not pass across my mind until one of the youngest member of the young adult group expressed his desire to enter the seminary. That led me to ask for information about the procedure to join the seminary. Eventually, when I approached Fr. Frank for the information, he referred me to Fr. Liam Panganibam CRM. One day, I approached him after the holy hour and evening prayer and he told me that he had heard about me wanting to join the seminary, to which I never told him that it was not me, but the other guy who had the desire. Instead, I just went with the flow and few weeks later, he told me the only way the Adorno Fathers could help me, given my current situation, was if I was willing to go to the Philippines.

Not knowing what was coming and that it was literally on the other side of the world, my answer without hesitation was,

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Patriot's Corner

Tom Monahon, PSD
Master, South Carolina District
DeSoto Province



Brother Sir Knights,

This is a busy time of year in the District. October 12 was Columbus Day. October 13 was the Diocese of Charleston's South Carolina Catholic Action Conference. I appreciate the Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Assembly 2902 and FN Kent Haggerty for providing an Honor Guard for the Bishop at the Conference.


78th Exemplification: The 78th Exemplification of the Patriotic Degree is scheduled for Saturday, October 27, 2018, at St. Andrew Catholic Church in Myrtle Beach. Please make plans to attend. The honoree will be SK Michael J. Mika, FDM.

Armistice Day Mass – On November 11, 1918, at 11:00 AM, World War I ended. On November 11, 2018, the 100th Anniversary, our bishop, the Most Rev. Robert E. Guglielmone, has agreed to allow an Honor Guard for the 11:15 AM Mass at the St. John the Baptist Cathedral in Charleston. I thank the Rev. P. N. Lynch Assembly #1071 for taking the lead and the other Assemblies in the greater Charleston area, in providing the Honor Guard. Any Sir Knight who wishes to also attend is most welcome.

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.



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Knights of Columbus
FOURTH DEGREE
Patriotic degree of the Order.

Exemplification
October 27, 2018

St. Andrews Catholic Church
503 37th Ave N, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Candidate and Banquet
Reservations by 10/12/18

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

From the State Ceremonials

Chairman

Michael A. Allen IPSD

Worthy Grand Knights and Members of the State Council:

We still have over half of our councils that have not held a First Degree this year. They need to schedule one now for this month and get out and recruit candidates for the degree. We are lagging behind last year in degrees held for this date. Degrees are now easier than ever before to hold even if you are missing someone that normally performs with your team. All you need to do is have someone fill in for the missing member and read that part. There isn't any excuse to cancel a degree because of missing team members. Let's achieve our goal of 251 First Degrees for the year and make our State Council proud.

The attached charts show each council's progress in First Degrees held and each District for Second Degrees held for the Fraternal Year 2018/2019.

First Degree Standings Notes

NOTE: Councils Indicated with an *, Team Has Been Re-certified

** Indicates Team Has Not Been Certified

Goal for FY 18-19

Degrees Per Council

Div I -1-99 - 3 Div II -100-199 - 4

Admissions Degree Standings

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	%of GOAL
	Edward Kamenski	DD #1	17	1	66.7
	5026	Beaufort	4	0	0.0%
	7289	Hilton Head	3	0	0.0%
	10668	Hilton Head	5	1	20.0%
	12263	Bluffton	5	0	0.0%
Larry E. Huff	DD # 2		16	3	18.8%
	2207	Sumter	4	0	0.0%
	6847	N. E. Columbia	5	2	40.0%
	9672	Camden	3	0	0.0%
	13713	Blythewood	4	1	25.0%
V. Patrick Eagan	DD # 3		16	0	0.0%
	5086	Myrtle Beach	4	0	0.0%
	7122	N. Myrtle Beach	5	0	0.0%
	7531	Conway	4	0	0.0%
	14892	Loris	3	0	0.0%
Sherrill Wilcox (Ed)	DD # 4		12	3	25.0%
	3684	Aiken	5	1	20.0%
	7062	N. Augusta	4	2	50.0%
	9161	Barnwell	3	0	0.0%
Joe Friend	DD # 5		16	3	18.8%
	6629	Summerville	5	1	20.0%
	8502	Walterboro	3	0	0.0%
	8900	N. Charleston	4	0	0.0%
	11910	Summerville	4	2	50.0%

DISTRICT	COUNCIL	CITY	GOAL	ACTUAL	%of GOAL
	Donald Thurlow, Jr.	DD # 6	13	0	0.0%
	6884	Seneca	5	0	0.0%
	8295	Anderson	4	0	0.0%
	9576	Pickens	4	0	0.0%
Jerald J. Whitman	DD # 7		14	0	0.0%
	6891	Orangeburg	3	0	0.0%
	11325	Lexington	4	0	0.0%
	12554	Columbia	4	0	0.0%
	15223	Manning/Santee	3	0	0.0%
Charles A. Bathon	DD # 8		21	1	4.8%
	1668	Greenville	5	1	20.0%
	8182	Mauldin	4	0	0.0%
	10819	Simpsonville	5	0	0.0%
	13112	Greenville	4	0	0.0%
**	15960	Newberry (NJL)	3	0	0.0%
Vacant	DD # 9		21	3	14.3%
	704	Charleston	5	0	0.0%
	6250	James Island	4	1	25.0%
	9475	Mt. Pleasant	5	0	0.0%
	10334	Charleston	3	0	0.0%
	12472	Charleston	4	2	50.0%
Claire N. Buckley, Jr.	DD # 10		14	0	0.0%
	6756	Rock Hill	5	0	0.0%
	10066	Lancaster	3	0	0.0%
	12268	York	3	0	0.0%
**	15611	Rock Hill	3	0	0.0%
Ronald E. Gilbert	DD # 11		13	0	0.0%
	3067	Georgetown	3	0	0.0%
	8980	Garden City	5	0	0.0%
	11028	Pawleys Island	5	0	0.0%
Frank Love	DD # 12		13	0	0.0%
	5194	Florence	4	0	0.0%
	8123	Hartsville	3	0	0.0%
	8790	Marion/Dillon	3	0	0.0%
	10867	Cheraw	3	0	0.0%
Pat Davis	DD # 13		16	4	25.0%
	6726	Hanahan/Goose Creek	4	2	50.0%
	6900	Citadel	4	0	0.0%
	11471	Moncks Corner	3	0	0.0%
	11991	Goose Creek	5	2	40.0%
Richard J. Himlin	DD # 14		23	0	0.0%
	6076	Spartanburg	5	0	0.0%
	9184	Taylors	4	0	0.0%
	9575	Spartanburg	5	0	0.0%
	12274	Greer	3	0	0.0%
	12995	Gaffney	3	0	0.0%
**	15519	Greer	3	0	0.0%
James D. Walters	DD # 15		14	1	7.1%
	12366	Fort Mill	5	1	20.0%
	14475	Lake Wylie	5	0	0.0%
	14765	Indian Land	4	0	0.0%
Mike Mancari	DD # 16		12	6	50.0%
	724	Columbia	5	3	60.0%
	6892	Irmo	4	1	25.0%
	7129	Greenwood	4	0	0.0%
	16903	Chapin	3	2	66.7%
Totals			251	25	10.0%



From the State Protocol Chairman

Ronald G. Povero, PSD, FM

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

Marks of Respect for the Flag of the United States

- The National Flag should be flown daily from sunrise to sunset in good weather from public buildings, schools, permanent staffs in the open and near polling places on election days. The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all-weather flag is displayed. The flag may be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.
- The flag should always be flown on national and state holidays and on those occasions proclaimed by the President. On Memorial Day, the Ensign shall be half staffed until noon.
- The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously. It should never be dipped to any person or thing nor should it ever be displayed with the union down except as a signal of dire distress.
- The flag should never be allowed to touch anything beneath it, nor should it ever be carried flat or horizontally –always aloft and free.
- It should never be used as drapery or decoration, for carrying or holding anything, or stored in such a manner that it will be damaged or soiled.
- The flag should never be used for advertising purposes in any manner whatsoever, nor should any picture, drawing, insignia or other decoration be placed upon or attached to the flag, its staff or halyard. The flag should not be embroidered on personal items nor printed on anything designed for temporary use and then discarded.
- When the flag is so worn or soiled that it is no longer suitable for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified manner, preferably by burning.
- For rules on Posting the Colors, please refer to the Patriotic Degree ceremonial book.

Next month I will have the Ceremony for Disposal of the U.S. Flag.



Pictured, from left, are John Hubbard, Arnold Kuthy, Rick Hamilton, Rheel Desrochers, Dianne Russom, Curt Evatt and Brian McHee.

Knights of Columbus donate to Area 13 Special Olympics

THE JOURNAL STAFF

SENECA — The Knights of Columbus Council 6884 and the Oconee Federal Charitable Foundation recently donated \$26,000 to the Special Olympics.

After hosting the Special Olympics Golf Tour-

namment in June, proceeds from the event went to Area 13 Special Olympics, which serves Oconee and Pickens counties. The check was presented to Area 13 Special Olympics director Dianne Russom, according to a news release. The Knights of Columbus hosted the tour-

namment, with the Oconee Federal Charitable Foundation acting as the title sponsor.

Since 1994, more than \$246,000 has been given to Area 13 Special Olympics programs by the Knights, Oconee Federal Charitable Foundation and other local donors.





Dear Brother Knights,

This month is opportunity month. If you will click on this link - www.southcarolinaknights.org and place the cursor on "KNIGHTS PROGRAMS" and click on "FAITH IN ACTION", you will find that I have set the tone for each of our South Carolina Councils to take the opportunity to make a difference in the Carolinas. Hurricane Florence has been and still is a humanitarian devastation. Our Carolina brothers and sisters are hurting. Let's briefly see what can be done.

First, if your Council has a need for assistance that can be addressed by the State Council or one of our local Councils, we are here for you. Please contact myself or the State Deputy as your first action. We will help coordinate your solution.

Second, if you know of a neighboring Council in South Carolina that needs assistance, poll your Council Brothers and see if you can assemble an adequate contingent to take action. If so, then contact me or the State Deputy and we will coordinate the relief effort with the needy Council.

Third, if your Council wants to offer help as needed anywhere in the Carolinas, contact us and we will coordinate between you and any incoming requests.

Fourth, organize your Council to lead a prayer service for the Carolina's. The spiritual and temporal benefits of massive prayers cannot be overemphasized. This is precisely what God needs from us in order for Him to release His Graces.

Prayers are the backbone of our Faith. Action is the fruit of our Faith. In both cases, take these responsibilities seriously. Regional emergencies such as the one currently upon us and our response to them are the very essence of putting our Faith into Action.

Fraternally,
Jim St. Clair
Director, Faith in Action Program
State Council

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supplies to critical areas. A special thanks to Daniel Barton, State Secretary, for coordinating supplies to be sent to the town of Nichols and the Conway/Myrtle Beach supplies to the Catholic Charities' warehouse. Daniel also contacted the SC Director of Emergency Services to determine where the supplies and help were most needed.

We need to change our current Disaster Relief Procedure to reflect the ability for staging supplies throughout the State and for better communication with outside sources, such as Catholic Charities and SC Emergency Services. The Supreme Council was a tremendous help in providing assistance and a better method to handle a disaster via communication and supplies.

We need individuals to help the State Council update these procedures for dealing with future disasters in our State. If anyone has experience in this area, and would like to assist us, I would appreciate it if you would please contact me.

We owe it to our Brother Knights and their families to provide aid, financial grants and volunteer hours to support their needs. God watched over us this time, but it is possible that we may not be as fortunate in the future. Please say a prayer of thanks. May St. Francis watch over all of my Brother Knights and their families.

Ed

From the State Youth Director

Bill Weiss, State Youth Director

The first State youth program of the year is fast approaching. The State Soccer Challenge will be held on Saturday November 10th at St John Neuman School at 721 Polo Road in Columbia SC. Registration will start at 9:00am and the contest will start by 9:30am. Please advise me by the end of Oct. who is planning on attending. Please make sure that all participants have their paper work and that all council and district numbers are filled in. This will help in the registration process. Also make sure I have the contact info for the DD's or GK's that will be attending so I can contact them if there are any problems.

The Catholic Essay contest is coming up before the end of the year. The theme of the essay this year is "How does your family keep its Catholic Faith in Action". The councils should have their essays completed by Nov 1st and forwarded to their DD. The DD's should complete their review of the essays by the last week in Nov and forward the District winners to me by Dec 1st.

If you have any questions you can call or text me at 864-415-3422 or email me at wweiss104@aol.com

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Catholics and non-Catholics alike donated, and the goal was raised again to \$12 million. The final amount exceeded \$14 million — at a time when bread was 7 cents a pound.

“Everybody Welcome, Everything Free”

In 1917, the Knights of Columbus initiated their Catholic Army Huts program building 30 Canadian huts in France and 20 in England, all of which were run by Catholic chaplains. In addition, dozens of huts were built on or near U.S. military bases in the United States and Europe, offering soldiers an escape from the war. The spaces were designed to make the soldiers feel like they were at home.

The K of C hut slogan was “Everybody Welcome, Everything Free.” No soldier or sailor had to pay a cent for anything the Knights gave them, nor would any free-will offering on their part be accepted. They gave everything free to whomever walked in, with no questions about religion, race or rank. The uniform was all that mattered. In the huts, soldiers had the opportunity to attend Mass, go to confession, hear a music recital, see vaudeville entertainment or watch a movie. They could attend a dance, sit ringside at popular boxing competitions, write letters home (the Knights provided 1,800 tons of stationery), or read a book from the library.

First and Last U. S. Officers

Among the one-million Catholics U.S. servicemen shipped over to Europe, were over 100,000 members of the Knights of Columbus, including hundreds of clergy and war relief workers. Many more Knights would assist in war relief in the states, keeping up morale at military camps and raising funds. By the end of the war in November 1918, more than 116,000 American men and some 60,000 Canadians had died in the conflict. Among them were 1,500 members of the Knights of Columbus from the United States and approximately 120 Knights from Canada.

It is noteworthy to note that both the first and the last U.S. officers to die in the Great War were Catholic Knights. The first name on the casualty list of the American army in France is that of Dr. William T. Fitzsimmons, a member of Kansas City Council #527; killed in a German air raid on hospitals.

The last officer to die in the Great War was 1st Lt. Chaplain William F. Davitt. A member of Holyoke (Mass.) Council #90. Father Davitt volunteered as a K of C chaplain and served with the 125th Infantry. He was killed by one of the last shells fired in the war, just over an hour before the ceasefire at 11 a.m. on Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1918. The priest had already been awarded the Croix de Guerre and Distinguished Service Cross

(DSC) for organizing and leading the rescue of 40 wounded soldiers cut off from the troops.

Armistice Day / Veterans’ Day

Veterans Day originated as “Armistice Day” on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938. Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans—living or dead—but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.

Epilogue

The Knights of Columbus’ work had such an impact that Gen. John Joseph Pershing, commander of the American Expeditionary Forces (AEF), stated that

“of all the organizations that took part in the winning of the war, with the exception of the military itself, there was none so efficiently and ably administered as the Knights of Columbus.”

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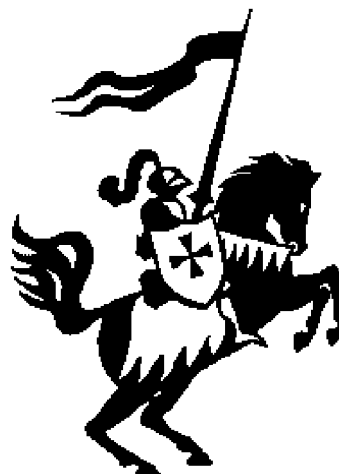
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“if that’s what I have to do to become a priest, I will do it”. After long years of formation in the Philippines, I was able to finish my philosophical studies and was received by the Order to make my Simple Profession of vows, June 8, 2014 on the Feast of Pentecost.

Currently by the grace and mercy of God, I’ve been a Simple Professed religious brother for 4 years and in my fourth year of Major Theology, for the Greater Glory of the Risen Christ.

KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE SCHEDULE FOR 2018 – 2019

July 7, 2018	Council 11991, ICC Goose Creek
August 18, 2018	Council 11028, Pawleys Island
September 15, 2018	Council 5194, Florence
September 22, 2018	Council 1668, Greenville
November 3, 2018	Council 6892, Irmo
January 26, 2019	Council 12263, Bluffton



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 9/10/2018

DIST	DISTRICT DEPUTY	TEAM Captain	Team Name (Dist Served)	GOAL	ACTUAL	% GOAL
1	Edward Kamenski	Edward Kamenski	Low Country (1)	4	0	0.0%
2	Larry E. Huff	Ralph Rossoni	Capital City (2, 7 & 12)	5	0	0.0%
3	V. Patrick Eagan	Charles Van Demark	Grand Strand Team (3 & 11)	5	0	0.0%
3	V. Patrick Eagan	Don Ulman	San Juan Diego	2	0	0.0%
4	Sherrill (Ed) Wilcox	Bill Collins, PGK	Aiken Team (4)	4	2	50.0%
5	Roy Massey,	Roy Massey	Flowertown (5)	4	1	25.0%
7	Jerald J. Whitman	Peter LaPierre	Corpus Christi (6 & 7)	5	1	20.0%
8	Charles A. Bathon	Ron Stanley	Greater Greenville (8 & 14)	5	0	0.0%
9	Vacant	Daniel Barton	Greater Charleston (9)	4	0	0.0%
10	Claire N. Buckley, Jr.	Geary Bradley	Up State ((10 & 15)	5	0	0.0%
13	Pat Davis	Pat Davis	Creekside (13)	4	1	25.0%
16	Mike Mancari	Mike Mancari	Fr. Frederick H. Suggs (6 & 16)	5	3	60.0%
Totals				52	8	15.0%

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Would a position with the **KNIGHTS** be right for you?

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