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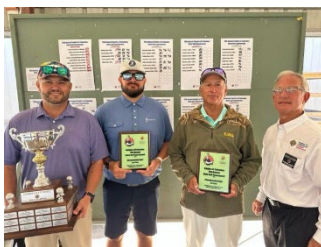
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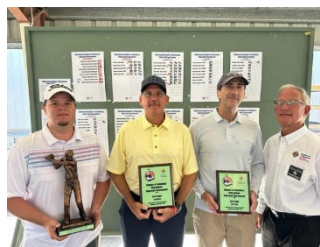
*****GRAND KNIGHTS. PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS.*****

Louisiana Report

76th Annual KC State Golf Tournament



Championship Flight Winners (L-R)
Clint Talbot, Council 970, Champion;
Bo Boudreaux, Council 3202, Second Place; Stan
Barbier, Council 970, Third Place. Also pictured is
State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.



First Flight Winners (L-R) Tim Curry, Council 4309,
Champion; Marshall Miller, Council 3202, Second
Place; Mark Waguespack, Council 1514, Third Place.
Also pictured is State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.



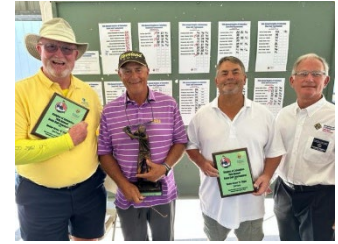
Second Flight Winners (L-R) . Cullen Crochet,
Council 7557, Champion; Terry Kraemer, Council
10800, Second Place; Chad Naquin, Council 4309,
Third Place. Also pictured is State Treasurer, Richard
Yandle.



Third Flight Winners (L-R) Seth Comeaux, Council 4309, Second Place; Leo Cortez, Council 10800, Champion and State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.

Fourth Flight Winners (L-R) Neil Fontenot, Council 8901, Champion; Guy Carter, Council 13819, Second Place; David Myers, Council 12529, Third Place and State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.

Fifth Flight Winners (L-R) Chris Thibodeaux, Council 13819, Champion; Chris Lee, Council 5345, Second Place; Rodney Forestier, Council 4683, Third Place and State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.



Senior "Net" Flight Winners (L-R) Jay Bourgeois, Council 10455, Champion; Harold Adams, Council 9000, Second Place; George Fontenot, Council 12163, Third Place and State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.

Senior "Gross A" Flight Winners (L-R) Bruce Templain, Council 9623, Third Place; Paul Allemand, Council 8770, Champion and State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.

Senior "Gross B" Flight Winners (L-R) Mark Wilburn, Council 8322, Second Place; Keith Bischoff, Council 10455, Champion; Billy Barker, Council 3054, Third Place and State Treasurer, Richard Yandle.

Membership

My Brother Knights,

We are in the month of October and in the fall season. It is also harvest time for all. The first quarter of the year was very good for most as we had about 20 councils that were at least 50% or over on their quota. Let's us continue to be those Fishers of Men and begin to harvest our new members. Continue your work and seek out new members for our Beloved Order. Remind them of the works that we do in charity and how the brotherhood is united (unity) in fraternity. Yes we are all proud to be one of those Catholic American Knight of Columbus. Go and fish or harvest to attain your quota and reach an important item in Star Council. Remember we are here to help you in any way possible as long as we know in advance. We have worked two membership drives for brothers this month and we will be there to help you if need with supplies and that Free Advertisement I talk about. Congratulation on the first quarter numbers and let us seek to make the 50% of the state quota by December 31, 2023. We are all in this together and we will succeed if we continue to believe we can and are great FISHERS OF MEN.



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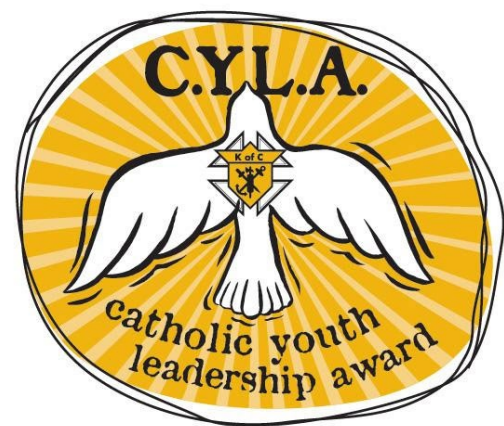
Russell Ruh
State Membership Director

CYLA Catholic Youth Leadership Award

The CYLA process is going completely online this year. There will be no hardcopy form for students to fill out. The link to the new CYLA form on the website will be updated shortly.

There will be a CYLA Virtual Training Session to go over the new CYLA application form and process. The session will be held on Wednesday, October 18 at 6:00pm. Click [here](#) to attend the Wednesday training session.

All Grand Knights and Council CYLA Chairman are encouraged to attend.





State Deputy Award Worksheet

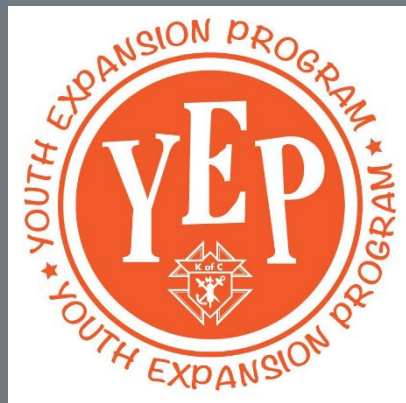
The State Deputy Award Worksheet has been updated as of 10-10-2023. If you find any errors or have any questions about the data in this report, please let me know ASAP. The worksheet can be found [here](#).

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Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest; NEW THEME

The essay theme for 2023-2024 is: **How can the Church evangelize in the digital age?**

The deadline for Councils to receive entries is November 15. Plan to publicize your Council Essay Contest in September and October. Use Parish Bulletins, Parish Websites, Council Websites, Facebook pages, etc. to publicize the contest.



YEP. Youth Expansion Program

The YEP Quotas are now available. You can check your Council's YEP Quota [here](#). All YEP donations are due to the YEP Chairman, Joel Ocmand, by June 15, 2024. Please make your check out to Louisiana State Council and put YEP in the memo line.

Send checks to:
Joel Ocmand
[273 West 2nd Street](mailto:joel.ocmand@louisianakc.org)
[Reserve, LA 70084](mailto:joel.ocmand@louisianakc.org)

Safe Environment Compliance

Is your Council Safe Environment Compliant? The Grand Knight, Program Director, Family Director and Community Director are required to take Safe Environment training. To check if your Council is compliant, the Grand Knight or Financial Secretary should log in to Officers Online on the Supreme Website. Scroll down to the bottom third of the page and click on Reports. Run the Safe Environment Member Status report. Open the report and check to see if all required members are compliant. If the report does not show the four required roles, you need to re-appoint the missing positions.

To re-appoint any open position, go to Officers Online and update Form 365. Click [here](#) to go to the Fraternal Video Library. Scroll down to Forms, then click on Forms 185, 186, & 365 Online Submission Training.

Pilgrim Icon (St. Joseph)

There are currently two St. Joseph Icons that will travel around the State.

The Icon comes complete with Prayer booklets. The schedule is as follows:

Icon #1;

- New Orleans North/East – September & October
- New Orleans South/West – November & December
- Houma – January & February
- Baton Rouge – March & April

Icon #2;

- Lafayette – September & October
- Lake Charles – November & December
- Alexandria – January & February
- Shreveport – March & April

If your Council/District would like to host a Prayer Service with the Icon, please contact your Diocesan Administrator to get on the schedule.

If any Council or District has the third St. Joseph Icon, please contact me at programs@louisianakc.org. This will allow more Councils to have access to the Icons and provide Prayer Services for their parishes.



Soccer Challenge

If your Council conducted a Soccer Challenge, please fill out Form 10784 to report your Program. List the number of participants by age and gender.

Diocesan competitions should be completed by October 30. The Diocesan winners will meet on Sunday, November 12 in Baton Rouge to compete in the State Soccer Challenge Finals.

Pulse Immersion Retreats

WHAT IS PULSE IMMERSION?

Pulse Immersion Retreats are Saturday retreats designed to educate and empower pro-life students with the basics to be leaders in their local communities. Through educational opportunities and hands-on activism, students will be empowered to carry the pro-life message back to their schools, churches, and peers.

FALL '23 PULSE IMMERSIONS

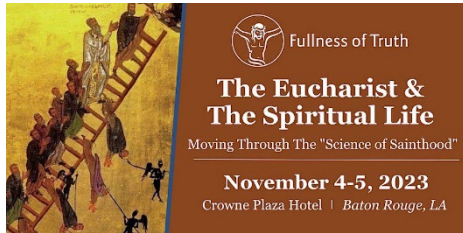
LAFAYETTE PULSE IMMERSION...October 28th, 2023

NEW ORLEANS PULSE IMMERSION...November 4th, 2023

Councils should look to sponsor students to attend these retreats. Students can register [here](#).

Retreat/Spirituality Conferences

There are several Spirituality Conferences coming up in the next couple of months. These count as electives for the State Deputy Award.



Baton Rouge
Fullness of Truth Conference
"The Eucharist & the Spiritual Life"
November 4-5, 2023
Crown Plaza Hotel
7:30 AM Saturday thru
3:30PM Sunday
Click [here](#) for more information.



Houma/Thibodaux
St. Bernadette Men's Conference
Saturday, November 18, 2023
7:30AM – 2:30PM

Into The Breach

The Knights of Columbus is excited to announce the release of its new *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family* video series. This dynamic five-part series proclaims the truth and beauty of Catholic family life and seeks to inspire viewers to live it in the modern world. All five episodes can be viewed on the *Into the Breach* website at kofc.org/missionofthefamily.

Each 12-minute episode of *Into the Breach: The Mission of the Family* focuses on a different aspect of Catholic marriage and family life and features expert interviews with well-known Catholic commentators, as well as the powerful personal story of a Catholic couple who has lived the theme of the episode in their own marriage. The series follows the Knights of Columbus' highly successful *Into the Breach* video series, which has been viewed nearly 1.5 million times.

Included among the series' prominent speakers are:

- Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly
- EWTN host Dr. Ray Guarendi
- Augustine Institute President Dr. Tim Gray
- Sister of Life Sr. Maris Stella
- Speaker and author Sarah Swafford
- Major League Baseball player Trevor William
- Former Major League Baseball player Mike Sweeney
- Former Major League Baseball player Darrell Miller

Upcoming Deadlines

- October 30 – Deadline to Conduct Diocesan Soccer Challenge
- November 12 – State Soccer Challenge – Baton Rouge
- November 15 – Deadline for October Family of the Month Submission
- November 15 – Deadline for Students to Submit Essay Entries to Council
- December 1 – Deadline-Councils to Submit Form 10784 Soccer Participation
- December 2-3 – DD Organizational Meeting
- December 5 – Deadline for Councils to Submit Winning Essays to DA's
- December 10 – Deadline-Students Submit Keep Christ Christmas Posters to Council
- December 15 – Deadline for November Family of the Month Submission
- December 31 – Deadline for DA's to Conduct Diocesan Gumbo Cook-Off
- December 31 – Deadline for Councils to Submit Winning Keep Christ in Christmas Posters to DA's
- December 31 – Deadline for Councils to Submit Form 10784 for Essay Participation



Gumbo Cook Off

The Annual State Cook-Off has indeed been an enjoyable event by many throughout the state; however, many of our Brother Chefs share specialties of different varieties. To allow participation by a greater number of brothers, the menu for the cook-off has been changed often, however this year the menu will remain the same. This year, Brothers will have the opportunity to share their best recipes for **Chicken & Sausage Gumbo**.

The Council & District level of competition has been eliminated. A council will be allowed to enter as many teams as desired into their respective Diocesan competition. All entry fees have also been eliminated.

Contact your Diocesan Administrator for dates & locations.

[Download your ENTRY FORM here..](#)

K.C. State Wide Retreat

The Knights of Columbus State Wide Retreat will take place on the WEEKEND of FEBRUARY 23-24-25, 2024, at the Lumen Christi Center, Schriever, LA.

[CLICK HERE](#) to register online



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