



Weekly Arizona State Council Advisory



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Supreme Updates

Worthy Brothers All,

We are continuing to grow to that milestone of 18,000 Knights in the State of Arizona, but I think it's best for everyone to understand that this number is not just based on growth but also factors in those Brothers who have been called home by the Father. So, this can explain why the number could actually vary from week to week and could literally not change from the previous weeks total.

We are getting ever closer to our goals; however, there are 19 Councils that can finish their Fraternal Year on a very high note. Of those 19 Councils 10 of them are but 1 new member from attaining their annual membership goal. Another 6 have only 2 new members to reach their goal and the remaining 3 have only 3 new members to reach their goal.

Our current State Membership total is **17,985** and so we have **15** members to go to meet the milestone of **18,000**. With that said, we are currently **9** new members away from our Supreme goal!

We still have Councils that have yet to recruit one new member this fraternal year. I want to encourage those DD's and GK's to work together in attaining at least one new member so that by the State Convention we can have 100% of active Councils in the State to have at least one new member this fraternal year.

This is where you all come in! We can all be a part of the history of our State Council and help in achieving our historic 18,000th member in time for the State Convention in May as well as meeting our Circle of Honor!

The Officers of the State Council and the Membership team are available to help in making this happen. Please contact me directly to coordinate our efforts. Keith Baker / SMD

Supreme Council has stepped up to help councils by establishing and instituting several initiatives.

On April 13th, 2022, the Supreme Secretary is temporarily delaying the processing of council suspensions for 60 days. This is inline with the transition to paperless statements. It is extremely important that all FS and GK's work closely to ensure that membership management is utilized and updated to reflect the most accurate and current council information.

On April 21st, 2022, there was a webinar titled "Important Webinar for Fraternal Leaders: Updates on Ukraine Operations and Council Recognition." In this webinar there were several interesting topics discussed:

- Ukraine Solidarity Fund Classy Toolkit
- Eucharistic Procession Guide
- Officers Online Access
- Fraternal Benefit Seminar
- Slidedeck

The one topic that can help several councils to achieve Star Council is the Fraternal Benefit Seminar Opportunities. Between now and June 23, Supreme has seven (7) seminar webinars scheduled. There is no minimum requirement for attendance. Once completed, you must fill out Form 11077.

To view the webinar, you can log on to link below. It also contains the links to the subjects above.

https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1538678&tp_key=9d0bdd08c7

The last item was the redesign and update for the **Application for Per Capita Disability Exemption Form #1831**. The form now only requires the signatures of the Financial Secretary and Grand Knight, attesting to the disability of a member. Once completed the form should be sent to Membership@kofc.org and one copy retained for council records.

Remember all forms can be accessed by all members on [Council Forms | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](https://www.kofc.org/Council-Forms).

Our Associate Regional Growth & Training Director (ARGTD) has released a new schedule for May 2022. That schedule can be accessed at [Ken White | Knights of Columbus \(kofc.org\)](https://www.kofc.org/Ken-White).

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Arizona State Council Convention

Worthy Brothers All,

Wanted to remind all of you that this year's State Convention is just around the corner. This year's convention is being held at The El Conquistador Resort in Tucson on May 20 & 21. It's not too late to register to attend the convention. Registration deadline is May 6. Registrations received after this date will be accepted with a \$10 late registration fee.

It's also not too late to submit ads from your councils and assemblies. The deadline for ad submittals is rapidly approaching on April 29. You can submit your ads from the State Convention website or by emailing advertising@azkofcstateconvention.org.

Hotel rooms are still available but are going fast. Reservations can be made from the convention website or by following this link: <https://www.azkofcstateconvention.org/hotel-information/>. Room availability cannot be guaranteed so recommend that you make your registration sooner than later.

Here are some of the highlights of the weekend instore for you:

Historic First Ever Live Charity, Unity & Fraternity (CUF) degree ceremony Friday at 12:30pm.

Candidates get fully paid convention registration and Saturday lunch

Class pictures with our Bishops in attendance

70's themed Friday Night Program Awards Dinner

Saturday State Awards Banquet

Ladies Luncheon program support local charities

Beads of Courage and Youth on Their Own

Basket Raffles & Door prizes

Mass both Friday and Saturday with our Bishops

Great Food, Fun & Fraternity

The website for the State Convention on May 20-21, 2022, is active and can be found at <https://www.azkofcstateconvention.org/> Please register early and make your hotel reservations early.

Sponsorships and Advertisements in our convention program book help us defray costs for everyone attending the convention. It allows us to provide the little extras that come with big price tags. All proceeds from advertising and sponsorships will go to the overall cost of the convention. Sponsors can choose where they would like their contribution to be used. Advertisement proceeds will go toward the overall cost of the convention for the convention committee. We ask each council, assembly, chapter, district, region, and our friends in the business community to purchase an ad or become a sponsor.

For those councils/assemblies that haven't budgeted for this expense, one possibility would be for individual members to donate towards the cost of the ad and mention them in the ad itself (thanking them by name). This would have no impact to the council/assembly's bank balance, and would still allow for recognition of every council & assembly. You decide how your space is used – just remember we're Knights.

[Advertising – Knights of Columbus \(azkofcstateconvention.org\)](https://www.azkofcstateconvention.org/). **Deadline is April 29, 2022.**



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State Convention CUF Degree

For the first time in Arizona Knights of Columbus History, we will be conducting a **LIVE** CUF ceremony for any **New Member or advancing First Degree Member** at the Arizona State Convention!

It will take place on Friday May 20 at 12:30PM. This will allow our new 3rd members into the chambers and enjoy the State Convention.

All candidates registered for the CUF will have the cost of convention registration and Saturday Lunch covered by the State Council of Arizona. We will also have a class picture with our Beloved Bishop.

We encourage our District Deputies to work with their respective Grand Knights especially those who are so close making Star Council. **Spread the word!!** This very special incentive for all new members who want to **JOIN US!**

Programs

The April incentive program is the Good Friday family promotion. If your council participated in this program, please send me a copy of your form 10784.

The May program is Sacrificial Gifts. Gift your RCIA participants with a new rosary, prayer book, etc. to welcome them into our faith and our parish community.

As of today, 14 councils have submitted their form SP7 applications for the Columbian Award; good luck to each of those councils and thank you for your service this fraternal year.

I know at least one council has already received their approval from Supreme, and it came back quickly. Get your applications in now, don't put it off. The sooner it's submitted, the sooner you get it back. if you have any questions about a program qualifying or any other questions about programs, please contact me. We still have 2 months left, plenty of time to get programs completed that help your council to qualify for the Columbian Award.

Tom White

State Program Director

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What does it mean to be a Brother?

*A person who is there when you need him,
Someone who picks you up when you fall,
A brother is always a friend.*

*“The relationship between young and old
helps restore hope”*
Pope Francis

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Knights in Action

Worthy Brothers,

I would to thank the Brother Knights who are helping our First Responders and Fire Fighters with the Tunnel Fire in Flagstaff. Brandon Garcia, GK Council 1229, his father and other Brother Knights at La Fonda Mexican Restaurant have served over 600 meals to those in service to the community.

Due to overwhelming response they are running out of food, so they will have to stop for today. Please keep tuned to see if they are able to do this again. Thank you Flagstaff!

*To the families impacted by the Tunnel Fire, the Garcia Family, and La Fonda staff invite you to come by for a Family Pack at no charge.



More information on how our councils in the State of Arizona can help the Flagstaff area are located on [Tunnel Fire | Coconino \(az.gov\)](#). There are several ways listed to provide assistance to Coconino County Community. We thank you for your support.