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## State Deputy's Message

My Fellow Brother Knights,

As you are reading this, you are probably doing so within the friendly confines of the 110th Virginia Knights of Columbus Annual Meeting. I sincerely hope you are and yours are enjoying yourselves.

Throughout this fraternal year, I have received criticism over the amount of time expended at our July, Fall regional, January and March meetings discussing the importance of membership and recruitment. Quite often, it was suggested that I spend more time addressing all of our programs and activities and less time on membership.

Well as you read these next three pages, you will see that the Jurisdiction of Virginia had/has great ongoing programs and activities and thus the reason I chose to focus on membership where Virginia is lagging in achieving our membership goal and has a significant problem with retention. Like any good manager, you focus on the areas that need your attention but always remembering to thank God for the people and areas that are flourishing.

Speaking of which, our General Program Director and his staff worked long and hard in receiving, recording and distributing your submissions to the State Officers for their review and determining the best of the best in each category. This was not an easy task or decision to narrow each category down to the "best" one activity. Obviously the Councils and in particular, their Program Directors, performed their task in an exemplary manner which only added to our difficult decisions.

Now what you may not be aware of is that my fellow State Officers and I decided to conduct at least one event in each of these six categories. In Church we, with the assistance from all three of our Chaplains, organized masses to celebrate the Year of the Priest in both dioceses. Also there was the creation and distribution of the Year of the Priest certificates. As for Council, we also created and will distribute Year of the Volunteer certificates. Plus we were able to help a Brother Knight, which was in addition to the assistance he received from his own Council and VKCCI. Our Youth activity was accomplished in conjunction with the State Installation celebration by arranging to collect both toys and cash for the USMC sponsored *Toys for Tots* campaign. With regard to our Community activity we arranged for Virginia to participate in the first annual Food for Families endeavor by Supreme. Plus the State Officers attended the Arlington Diocese Heritage Festival. Our family activity consisted on expanding Supreme's Family of the Month award by creating a Virginia Family of the Month program. Not to mention the State Officers and their Families attended the Knights of Columbus Family Day at King's Dominion back in October. As for the newest category the State Officers attended and marched in the March for Life and also Virginia participated in Supreme's Ultrasound machine program.

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In closing I, along with the rest of the State Officers commend and thank all the councils for their hard work in performing these most worthwhile activities and for taking the time to write them up. All of these great programs and activities truly demonstrate why the Supreme Knight designated this year as the, "Year of the Volunteer".

Fraternally,  
Pat

### **“Living Father McGivney’s Dream, every Day and every Knight”**

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## 2009—2010 STATE PROGRAM AWARD WINNERS STATE ACTION PROGRAM AWARDS



<b><u>District 1</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: George Henderson</u></b>	<b><u>District 2</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Jovito “DJ” DeJesus - CLEAN SWEEP</u></b>
367	Discoverer's Award	7363	State Deputy Award
3548	Discoverer's Award	8240	State Deputy Award
10766	Discoverer's Award	10601	State Deputy Award
		11781	State Deputy Award
		1984	State Deputy Award
<b><u>District 3</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Angelo Mele - CLEAN SWEEP</u></b>	<b><u>District 4</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: James Swanick - CLEAN SWEEP</u></b>
4632	State Deputy Award	9056	State Deputy Award
10804	State Deputy Award	10515	State Deputy Award
13467	State Deputy Award	12117	State Deputy Award
13784	State Deputy Award	12378	State Deputy Award
<b><u>District 5</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Robert Garcia</u></b>	<b><u>District 6</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: James Gierlak</u></b>
511	State Deputy Award	9428	Discoverer's Award
5480	State Deputy Award	11667	General Programs Director Award
6828	Discoverer's Award	12589	General Programs Director Award
7469	State Deputy Award		
11264	General Programs Director Award		
11501	State Deputy Award		
<b><u>District 7</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Bernie Hrouda</u></b>	<b><u>District 8</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Michael Gasper - CLEAN SWEEP</u></b>
4568	General Programs Director Award	6189	State Deputy Award
6372	General Programs Director Award	6546	State Deputy Award
		9507	State Deputy Award
		11678	State Deputy Award
		12525	State Deputy Award
		13170	State Deputy Award
<b><u>District 9</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Patrick Naughton</u></b>	<b><u>District 10</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Ronald Wisniewski</u></b>
395	State Deputy Award	6936	General Programs Director Award
11172	State Deputy Award	7538	Discoverer Award
14129	State Deputy Award	10578	General Programs Director Award
		11042	State Deputy Award
		14034	Discoverer Award
<b><u>District 11</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Darrell Vidrine - CLEAN SWEEP</u></b>	<b><u>District 12</u></b>	<b><u>District Deputy: Hector Dittamo - CLEAN SWEEP</u></b>
4034	State Deputy Award	7165	State Deputy Award
7812	State Deputy Award	8183	State Deputy Award
7877	State Deputy Award	9259	State Deputy Award
10246	State Deputy Award	9285	State Deputy Award
12434	State Deputy Award	11958	State Deputy Award

**District 13 District Deputy: John Lawless**  
 5750 General Program Director Award  
 5998 Discoverer Award  
 9407 Discoverer Award  
 11170 State Deputy Award

**District 14 District Deputy: Johnny Restivo**  
 6153 General Program Director Award  
 7992 Discoverer Award  
 8600 State Deputy Award  
 11922 General Program Director Award  
 12846 State Deputy Award

**District 15 District Deputy: Le Nguyen**  
 10723 State Deputy Award

**District 16 District Deputy: Jason Seiler**  
 4522 State Deputy Award  
 6292 State Deputy Award  
 8403 Discoverer Award  
 14523 General Program Director Award

**District 17 District Deputy: Frank Bolles, Sr.**  
 7566 General Program Director Award  
 12579 Discoverer Award

**District 18 District Deputy: John McCarthy**  
 6175 State Deputy Award  
 6831 State Deputy Award  
 11136 General Program Director Award  
 12791 State Deputy Award

**District 19 District Deputy: George Fontaine**  
 10947 State Deputy Award  
 12963 State Deputy Award  
 12982 General Program Director Award

**District 20 District Deputy: Tom Sayre**  
 3572 State Deputy Award  
 5561 State Deputy Award  
 7771 State Deputy Award  
 9002 General Program Director Award

**District 21 District Deputy: Robert Maher**  
 3670 State Deputy Award  
 6328 State Deputy Award  
 11262 General Program Director Award  
 11475 Discoverer Award

**District 22 District Deputy: Angelo Nicosia**  
 9488 State Deputy Award  
 10760 State Deputy Award

**District 23 District Deputy: Brian Ripple**  
 595 State Deputy Award  
 10015 General Program Director Award  
 13046 State Deputy Award

**District 24 District Deputy:**  
 6143 General Program Director Award

**District 25 District Deputy: Dave Chopski**  
 562 General Program Director Award

**District 26 District Deputy: Harry Cheney**  
 7853 General Program Director Award  
 10979 General Program Director Award

**District 27 District Deputy: Joe Tucci, Jr.**  
 11533 General Program Director Award

**District 28 District Deputy: Arthur Matthews – CLEAN SWEEP**  
 6963 State Deputy Award  
 14263 State Deputy Award

**District 29 District Deputy: Vincent Long**

**KNIGHT OF THE YEAR**

Reverend Father James R. Gould  
 John Bosco Council #12846

**FAMILY OF THE YEAR**

Joseph and Freda Kratochvil  
 John J. Cempre' Council #6328

**COLLEGE KNIGHT OF THE YEAR**

Joseph A. Mehan  
 William and Mary College Council #11501

**YOUNG WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

Colleen Erin Joyce Thom  
 Walter Pollard Council #5480

**YOUNG MAN OF THE YEAR**

Phillip J. Levins  
 Mother Teresa of Calcutta Council #12117

**OUTSTANDING WEBSITE AWARD**

Battlefield Council # 10246

**NEWSLETTER  
 LARGE COUNCIL**

"The Nightly News"  
 John Paul 1 Council #7165

**SERVICE PROGRAM AWARDS**

**CHURCH**

Purchases of Rosaries for the First Communion Class of 2010  
St. John the Apostle Council #13467

**COUNCIL**

Wood Splitting  
Fr. Val von Meysenburg Council #9507

**YOUTH**

Special Olympics Softball  
Mary Star of the Sea Council #511

**COMMUNITY**

Haunted House  
Holy Cross Council #595

**FAMILY**

Annual Father-Daughter Dinner Dance  
Yorktown Council #7469

**PRO-LIFE**

Pro-Life Baby Shower  
St. Edward Council #6546

**Father Bader Scholarship**

Name	Award	Council
Adam Ruppert Beirne	\$1,500.00	Fr. William J. Nolte Council 11533
Raymond Joseph Santucci, Jr.	\$1,500.00	Albert Chipman Council 11042
Eduoard Guilloux	\$1,500.00	Fr. Widmer Council 78771
Brittany Cochran	\$1,500.00	Kempsville Council 105515
Kristen Callahan	\$1,500.00	Family of Man Council 7566
Christopher Anthony Talevi	\$1,250.00	Roanoke Council 562
Gabrielle Roessler	\$1,250.00	St. Stephen the Martyr Council 11461
Michael McCabe	\$1,250.00	Mt. Vernon Council 5398
Henri L. Tetreault, III	\$1,250.00	Petersburg Council 694
Andrew Michael Smith	\$1,250.00	Fr. Maurice du Castillon Council 14755
Suzanne M. Zelnis	\$1,250.00	Holy Spirit Council 11922

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**STATE FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP**

**BOYS**

10 Years Old—Nolan Dzubinka, Mother Teresa of Calcutta Council #12117  
11 Years Old—Blair Johnson, Good Samaritan Council #6175  
12 Years Old—Dylan Westphal, Holy Spirit Council #11922  
[13 Years Old—Nicholas Alterio, Roanoke Council #562](#)  
14 Years Old—Brennan Arvo, Fr. Julius J. Cilinski Council 10947

**GIRLS**

10 Year Olds—Rachel Lia, Fr. Rizer Council #6828  
11 Year Olds—Megan Gravette, Walter Pollard Council #5480  
12 Year Olds—Kayla Airaghi, Norfolk Council #367  
13 Year Olds—Camille Deperio, St. John the Apostle Council #13467  
14 Year Olds—Samantha Thomason, Holy Angels Council #10766

**STATE SOCCER CHALLENGE**

**BOYS**

10 Years Old—Andrew Canavan, John J. Cempre Council #6328  
11 Years Old—Jonathan Skinner, Kempsville Council #10601  
12 Years Old—Dai Chau, Holy Martyrs of Vietnam Council #9655  
13 Years Old—August Walker, John J. Cempre Council #6328  
14 Years Old—Joshua Smith, John J. Cempre Council #6328

**GIRLS**

10 Years Old—Nicole Stottlemeyer, Kempsville Council #10601  
11 Years Old—Maggie Aydtlett, Kempsville Council #10601  
12 Years Old—Samantha Moseley, John J. Cempre Council #6328  
13 Years Old—Megan Golinowski, Fr. Vincent S. Sikora Council # 7992  
14 Years Old—Christine Domecq, Sts. Peter and Paul Council #11475

**INTERNATIONAL FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP**

13 Years Old—Nicholas Alterio, 24 out of 25, Roanoke Council #562

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**Save The Date:**

**Supreme Convention**  
In Washington, DC  
3-5 August, 2010

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