

2023 State Convention Education Seminars

MEMBERSHIP

Friday - 1:30 pm - Membership, Council Growth, and You

A how-to session designed to put together a collective effort to aid in ensuring your success regarding the growth of a council both new and old. Your Major Directors are here to share key tricks of the trade with you.

"Feed me, See More...Growth"

Membership Growth & Council Growth go hand in hand. Recruiting more members, especially through Roundtables, new councils will develop & the Order Will Grow. Growth will lead to more men strengthening their faith & making parishes stronger.

Friday - 1:30 pm - Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Contest - Session 1

The selected team will prepare and present their team's exemplification to the judges.

Friday - 2:30 pm - eMembership Recruitment, Engagement, and Conversion

Do you need assistance with employing the eMembership opportunity in your community? Your Membership Team is here to provide you with the tips and tricks needed to make this opportunity a success for your council.

Friday - 2:30 pm - Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Contest - Session 2

The selected team will prepare and present their team's exemplification to the judges.

Saturday - 2:00 pm - Membership Recruitment - Team Building - Do you have challenges with assembling a team to meet your recruitment needs? This is the session for you. Come and learn from your Membership Recruitment Team and take home some of the Best Practices being employed at parishes across the state.

Saturday 2:00 pm - Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Contest - Session 3

The selected team will prepare and present their team's exemplification to the judges.

Saturday 3:00 pm - Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity Contest - Session 4

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Saturday 3:00 pm - Membership Recruitment (Church) Drives - BLITZ

This will be the place to gain insight as to how a successful new member recruitment drive can be conducted. This session is designed to be the final building block to follow up on eMembership, and Recruitment Team Building. Attending these sessions will ensure your council is set up for success as we work to close out this fraternal year and be in the best position for a strong start to the next one.

COUNCIL GROWTH

Friday, May 5 – 2:30 - "Fitting a Star in A Round Hole" Saturday, May 6 – 2:00 - "Fitting a Star in A Round Hole"

Training to cover the importance of paying per capita – State & Supreme (as required for Star Council), along with the ease of having a Roundtable. We will also cover the College Councils and how these councils can help strengthen both the Knights and an adjacent Parish Council.

STAR COUNCIL

Friday 1:30 Star Council – More than Your Name on a Plaque

Few of us are in the Knights of Columbus for personal recognition. And the Star Council Award is about much more than your name on a plaque. This presentation will show you how the criterion for the various Supreme and State awards are meant to foster behaviors in your council that are most often seen in successful councils. By working towards these awards, your will increase membership, charity, and Christian activity in your council.

Friday 2:30 - Fraternal Leadership Beyond the Council Level

So, you wanna be a District Deputy? Diocesan Deputy? Or more? In these leadership roles, we face the challenge of motivating Knights to success. But too often, we employ our work habits instead of relying on Christ centered, fraternal leadership. This presentation will give you the tools necessary to bind together Catholic men and lead them to spreading the Gospel and growing the Order.

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EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Friday 1:30 - Officer 101

Congratulations! You're a new Grand Knight! Now what? What is the Chancellor supposed to do? How do I work with the Trustees? Can the Lecturer help with COR concepts and meetings? Or maybe you are one of these officers, and you want an idea of how to get started. We will present a down and dirty roles and responsibilities to all officer positions except Financial Secretary.

Saturday 2:00 - Financial Secretary 101 and Social Media 101

We will discuss the end of year and the beginning of the year FS responsibilities. This is not meant to be a substitute for the normal FS training. 20 minutes.

Is your council trying to develop a social media presence? Do you have social media, but you want more followers? 20 Minutes.

CHARITIES

Friday 1:30 PM - American Wheelchair Mission

Answering prayers with the gift of mobility

Since 2006, Knights councils across Texas have conducted Wheelchair Sunday parish drives to provide wheelchairs for the poorest of the poor and local needs across our state. A three- minute pulpit announcement is all that is needed to change lives of entire families, grow membership in Knights councils and bring the parish together doing God's work on earth. Come see just how easy it is to live the Gospel!

Friday 1:30 PM - Cardinal Medeiros / Education Grant & Bishop Flanagan Infirm Priest

Come join the Education Grants and Cardinal Medeiros Chairman and learn how these two charities work together hand in hand. In the discussion you will become familiar with...

How to become a Cardinal Medeiros Fellow, learn the process, who is the big winner from your donation, how to apply for an educational grant, deadline for grant applications and award notifications for recipients.

How and Why I Should Become a Licensed Texas Knight

The Bishop Thomas J Flanagan Fund for Retired Priest supported by the Texas Knights License Plate Program supports retired Priest in the State of Texas. Learn how to get your license plate, and how it supports our retired Priest as well as direct donations to the fund. The more Knights of Columbus license plates on the road the more visibility for our order and the more money to fund retired Priest. Become a Licensed Texas Knight.

Friday 2:30 PM - Special Olympics & Emergency Response

Texas Special Olympics

The Knights of Columbus has a unique partnership with Special Olympics and has helped disabled athletes train for and compete in games around the world. How your councils can assist with all aspects of the feeding the athletes, organizing, and judging events, and providing equipment and awards.

Texas Emergency Response Program: What it is and how your council can help in an emergency.

An overview of the Texas K of C Emergency Response Program and how it aids brother Knights and our communities in an emergency. Guidance will be provided on the best way your council may help in a local or national emergency.

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Saturday 3 PM - Emergency Response & Fundraising for our Bishops

Supporting Our Bishops

What is the importance of State Charity fundraising for our Bishops? How do we raise funds, where do these funds go, who is supported and what are our responsibilities as Knights.

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PROGRAMS

Friday 2:30 - The SP-7

The End of the Fraternal Year? Time to Celebrate Accomplishments! Why the SP-7 is Critical!! Come and hear about Submitting the Form SP-7 and continuing to Star Council!

Saturday 2:00 - THE ALL-YEAR FORM....10784!

Come share How it is the thread binding and strengthening the Council's Brother Knights are engaged and promoting Faith in Action by Service!

EVANGELIZATION AND FAITH FORMATION

Saturday 2:00 and Saturday 3:00 - "Cor ad Cor Loquitur" Heart Speaks to Heart

Encounter the Heart of Jesus Christ, gain knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith, prepare for the courageous mission of Evangelization, and strengthen our bonds brotherhood. Join us to learn how COR forms and strengthens Catholic men in their faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

INSURANCE

Friday 2:30 - "How to Use your Field Agent and Fraternal Benefit Nights to Grow your Council"

Saturday 3:00

How can a council use their Field Agents help with new member recruiting and council activation? Fraternal Benefit Nights are powerful tools to inform the membership on important financial topics and to bring new members into the councils and grow our Order in Texas.

LEGAL AFFAIRS

Saturday 3:00 - "Go to jail! Go directly to jail! Do not pass GO, do not collect \$200!"

How many rolls of the dice do you need to get out of jail? Come and see how you keep from getting there in the first place, how to avoid staying there, and earning that "get out of jail free" card to gain your freedom and get back on track. Learn about some of the common legal issues that you can encounter in your Council and how to avoid them.