

MARYLAND STATE COUNCIL

125th CONVENTION

AWARDS CEREMONY



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WOW, what a great time we all had at the State Convention in Annapolis, Maryland, May 5-7, 2023. The Golf Tournament, Grand Knight Olympics, State Banquet, Hospitality parties and food, Awards Program and Mass celebrated by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori S.T.D. Oh yes, we did have some meetings thrown into the mix. A good time was had by all. Congratulations to all the 2022-2023 Plaque and Certificate award winners. Listed below are all the award winners.

GROWTH AWARDS

Highest total increase in council growth per division:

Division "D"

3rd 2-way Tie, each council gained 7 new members

San Oscar Arnulfo Romero Council No. 17192

Grand Knight – Edwin Hernandez

William E. Baldwin, Jr. Council No. 17990

Grand Knight – Patrick Brady

2nd St. Terre D'Accueil Council No. 18156

Grand Knight – Frank Boccovi

10 new members

1st 3-way tie, each council gained 12 new members

Msgr. John R. Pennington Council No. 9808

Grand Knight – Ronald Hopkins

Commodore John Barry Council No. 14534

Grand Knight – Thomas Joseph

Loyola University Council No. 15000

Grand Knight – Josh Thomas

Division "C"

3rd St. John Neumann Council No. 11618

Grand Knight – Paul Peyla

14 new members

2nd Columbia Council No. 7559

Grand Knight – Marcus Obeng

17 new members

1st Sedes Sapientiae Council No. 13295

(Univ of MD college council)

Grand Knight – Samuel Silverstone

31 new members

Division "B"

2nd 2-way tie, each council gained 11 new members

Mother Seton Council No. 5381

Grand Knight – Anevrin M'Carthy

Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

2nd James C. Fletcher Council No. 11422

Grand Knight – Chidubem Oparaoji

13 new members

1st Mater Dei Council No. 9774

Grand Knight – Matthew Hoyle

14 new members

Division "A"

3rd St. Louis the King Council No. 11898

Grand Knight – Joe Knight

30 new members

2nd Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

32 new members

1st Rock Creek Council No. 2797

Grand Knight – Ivan Galic

35 new members

Highest percentage of growth goal

Division "D"

3rd 2-way tie with 140% of goal for each council

San Oscar Arnulfo Romero Council No. 17192

Grand Knight – Edwin Hernandez

William E. Baldwin, Jr. Council No. 17990

Grand Knight – Patrick Brady

2nd St. Terre D'Accueil Council No. 18156

Grand Knight – Frank Boccovi

200% of goal

1st 3-way tie with 240% of goal for each council

Msgr. John R. Pennington Council No. 9808

Grand Knight – Ronald Hopkins

Commodore John Barry Council No. 14534

Grand Knight – Thomas Joseph

Loyola University Council No. 15000

Grand Knight – Josh Thomas

Division "C"

3rd St. Jerome Council No. 5564

Grand Knight – Eric Daniels

200% of goal

2nd 4-way tie with 220% of goal for each council

Our Lady of Lourdes Council No. 4606

Grand Knight – Thomas Markey

St. John the Evangelist Council No. 11171

Grand Knight – Andy Harris

Fr. A. Leo Abendschoen Council No. 11615

Grand Knight – Benjamin Romero

St. Vincent Palotti Council No. 14535

Grand Knight – Fran Ciciola

1st Sedes Sapientiae Council No. 13295

Grand Knight – Samuel Silverstone

620% of Goal

Division "B"

3rd Mother Seton Council No. 5381

Grand Knight – Anevrin M’Carthy
122% of Goal

2nd James C. Fletcher Council No. 11422

Grand Knight – Chidubem Oparaoji
130% of goal

1st Mater Dei Council No. 9774

Grand Knight – Matthew Hoyle
140% of goal

Division "A"

3rd Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker
213% of goal

2nd St. Louis the King Council No. 11898

Grand Knight – Joe Knight
214% of goal

1st Rock Creek Council No. 2797

Grand Knight – Ivan Galic
233% of Goal

DON KUTZERA MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

3rd Joe Knight – Grand Knight of St. Louis the King Council No. 11898 - Joe recruited 19 members

2nd Brian Graham of Father Rosensteel Council No. 2169, Grand Knight - Tim Stocker, Brian recruited 26 members

1st Nicholas Wagman – District Deputy 33 – Member of Sedes Sapientiae Council No. 13295, Grand Knight Samuel Silverstone. Nick recruited 32 members

INSURANCE AWARDS

Highest percentage gain in council insurance members for the period April 1, 2022 thru March 31, 2023.

Division "D"

3rd San Oscar Arnulfo Romero Council No. 17192

Grand Knight- Edwin Hernandez
Field Agent- Matt O’Hare

2nd St. Benedict Council No. 10648

Grand Knight – Thomas Gardner
Field Agent – Bob Marlowe 3rd

1st William E. Baldwin, Sr. Council No. 17990

Grand Knight – Patrick Brady
Field Agent- Gerard Kane

Division "C"

3rd St. Mary’s of Landover Hills Council No. 10046

Grand Knight – Kenneth Uwazuruonye
Field Agent- Harold Sims

2nd St. John the Evangelist Council No. 11171

Grand Knight – Andy Harris
Field Agent- John Canter

1st Charles Carroll Council No. 15985

Grand Knight – Andrew Sanford
Field Agent- Jonathan Rock

Division "B"

3rd Pope John Paul the Great Council No. 13859

Grand Knight – Joe Mizell
Field Agent- Edward O’Keefe

2nd St. Michael’s of Poplar Springs Council No. 10525

Grand Knight – Paul Burkett
Field Agent- Albert Myers

1st James C. Fletcher, Jr Council No. 11422

Grand Knight – Chidubem Oparaoji
Field Agent- Harold Sims

Division "A"

3rd Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372

Grand Knight – Steven Herpel
Field Agent- Edward O’Keefe

2nd Westminster Council No. 1393

Grand Knight – Deacon Mark Ripper
Field Agent- Samuel Stark

1st St. Louis the King Council No. 11898

Grand Knight – Joe Knight
Field Agent- Gerard Kane

COUNCIL LECTURER AWARD

St. Columille Council No. 5317

Grand Knight – Robert Butto
Lecturer – Thomas Andracsek

INCENTIVE CASH RAFFLE

3rd Our Lady of Guadalupe Council No. 12127

Grand Knight – Brian Hiles
Total number of tickets sold – 4,084

2nd Westminster Council No. 1393

Grand Knight – Deacon Mark Ripper
Total number of tickets sold – 4,474

1st St. Michael’s of Poplar Springs Council No. 10525

Grand Knight – Paul Burkett
Total number of tickets sold – 9,919

**PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM AWARDS
(FORMERLY KNOWN AS OUR TOOTSIE ROLL PROGRAM)**

Total Amount Collected by a Council (one award per division)

Division "D"

1st Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont
Total Dollars Collected \$4,256

Division "C"

1st St. John Neumann Council No. 11618

Grand Knight – Paul Peyla
Total Dollars Collected \$2,271

Division "B"

1st Father Burggraff Council No. 6021

Grand Knight – John Mulcahy
Total Dollars Collected \$8,401

Division "A"

1st Bel Air Council No. 4714

Grand Knight – Stephen Michael
Total Dollars Collected \$10,435

BOX OF JOY PROGRAM AWARDS

3rd Our Lady of Guadalupe Council No. 12127 – with 300 boxes

Grand Knight – Brian Hiles

2nd St. Mary’s Council No. 1470 – with 544 boxes

Grand Knight – Gordon Stellway

1st St. Joseph Manyanet Council No. 5567 – with 768 Boxes

Grand Knight – Danny Orino

Box of Joy Ladies Auxiliary:

3rd Women of Victory – Our Lady of Victory Council No. 16104 – 101 boxes

President- Faith Pa’ahana-Brown

2nd Queen of the Knights Auxiliary – St. Pius X Council No. 4076 - 167 boxes

President – Verginia Richardson

1st K of C Ladies – Fr. Maurice J. Wolf Council No. 11372 - 223 boxes

President- Brenda Wieczynski

Ladies Auxiliary Awards

Best New Activity:

The divisions and places where no entries were submitted were skipped to save time.

Division "C"

1st Ladies of Holy Family Mitchellville

Fr. Micheal C. Kidd Council No. 14455
President – Barbara Parham

Division "B"

2nd Daughters of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Bishop Sebastien Council No. 5058
President – Jeanine Colburne

1st KC Ladies

James C. Fletcher, Jr. Council No. 11422
President – Etoile Hawkins

Division "A"

2nd Queen of the Knights Auxiliary

St. Pius X Council No. 4076
President – Verginia Richardson

1st K of C Ladies

Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372
President – Brenda Wieczynski

Best Recurring Activity:

Division "D"

1st Our Lady of the Angels Auxiliary

Our Lady of the Angels Council No. 13069
President – Mary Caulfield

Division "C"

1st Ladies of Holy Family Mitchellville

Fr. Michael C. Kidd Council No. 14455
President – Barbara Parham

Division "B"

3rd Katie's Ladies Auxiliary

St. Katherine Drexel Council No. 14011
President – Irma Woerner

2nd Daughters of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Bishop Sebastian Council No. 5058
President – Jeanine Colburne

1st KC Ladies

James C. Fletcher, Jr. Council No. 11422
President – Etoile Hawkins

Division "A"

3rd K of C Ladies

Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372
President – Brenda Wieczynski

2nd Sheen's Colleens

Archbishop Fulton Sheen Council No. 7612
President – Tami Dolinsky

1st The Maryknights

Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169
President – Nancy Koski

Best Full Year award, by Division:

Division "D"

2nd Our Lady of the Angels Auxiliary

Our Lady of the Angels Council No. 13069
President – Mary Caulfield

1st Damas Auxiliadoras del Perpetuo Socorro

San Juan Newman Council No. 16611
President – Ana Mendoza-Ramirez

Division "C"

3rd The Belles

St. Michael's Council No. 2065
President – Linda Biscoe

2nd Ladies of Holy Family Mitchellville

Fr. Michael C. Kidd Council No. 14455
President – Barbara Parham

1st Immaculate Conception Angels

Immaculate Conception Council No. 8159
President – Sherri Long

Division "B"

3rd Daughters of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Bishop Sebastian Council No. 5058
President – Jeanine Colburne

2nd Katie's Ladies Auxiliary

St. Katherine Drexel Council No. 14011
President – Irma Woerner

1st KC Ladies

James C. Fletcher, Jr. Council No. 11422
President – Etoile Hawkins

Division "A"

3rd Ladies of the Knights

Cardinal Gibbons Council No. 2521
President – Diane Gough

2nd The Maryknights

Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169
President – Nancy Koski

1st K of C Ladies

Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372
President – Brenda Wieczynski

FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAM AWARDS

Faith:

Division "D"

3rd Holy Face Council No. 3849

Grand Knight – Carl Wolf

2nd Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont

1st St. Benedict Council No. 10648

Grand Knight – Thomas Gardner

Division "C"

3rd Fr. Joseph J. Comyns Council No. 9638

Grand Knight – Stephen Lucas

2nd St. Columcille Council No. 5317

Grand Knight – Robert Butto

1st St. Francis Xavier, the Missionary Council No. 10957

Grand Knight – Herb Male

Division "B"

3rd St. Agnes Council No. 4449

Grand Knight – David Reed

2nd St. Peter the Apostle Council No. 13290

Grand Knight – Michael Jacobs

1st Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

Division "A"

3rd Patuxent Council No. 2203

Grand Knight – Steve Hubbard

2nd St. Louis the King Council No. 11898

Grand Knight – Joe Knight

1st Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

Family:

Division "D"

3rd Msgr. John R. Pennington Council No. 9808

Grand Knight – Ronald Hopkins

2nd Holy Face Council No. 3849

Grand Knight – Carl Wolf

1st 2- way Tie

Most Holy Rosary Council No. 11511

Grand Knight – Pasteur "Al" Camp, Sr.

Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont

Division "C"

3rd 2-way tie

St. Columcille Council No. 5317

Grand Knight – Robert Butto

St. John the Evangelist Council No. 11171

Grand Knight – Andy Harris

2nd St. Francis Xavier, The Missionary Council No. 10957

Grand Knight – Herb Male

1st 2-way tie

St. John the Baptist Council No. 11106

Grand Knight – Jeffrey Hafner

St. John Neumann Council No. 11618

Grand Knight – Paul Peyla

Division "B"

3rd St. Peter the Apostle Council No. 13290

Grand Knight – Michael Jacobs

2nd St. Agnes Council No. 4449

Grand Knight – David Reed

1st Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

Division "A"

3rd Ocean City Council No. 9053

Grand Knight – Tom Herwig

2nd Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

1st Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372

Grand Knight – Steven Herpel

Community:

Division "D"

3rd Most Holy Rosary Council No. 11511

Grand Knight – Pasteur "Al" Camp, Sr.

2nd Holy Face Council No. 3849

Grand Knight – Carl Wolf

1st Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont

Division "C"

3rd St. Columcille Council No. 5317

Grand Knight – Robert Butto

2nd St. John the Evangelist Council No. 11171

Grand Knight – Andy Harris

1st 2-way tie

St. Francis Xavier, The Missionary Council No. 10957

Grand Knight – Herb Male

St. John Neumann Council No. 11618

Grand Knight – Paul Peyla

Division "B"

3rd St. Peter the Apostle Council No. 13290

Grand Knight – Michael Jacobs

2nd Msgr. Raymond P. Kelly Council No. 10966

Grand Knight – Steven Quigley

1st Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

Division "A"

3rd Ocean City Council No. 9053

Grand Knight – Tom Herwig

2nd St. Louis the King Council No. 11898

Grand Knight – Joe Knight

1st 3-way tie

Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

Patuxent Council No. 2203

Grand Knight – Steve Hubbard

Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372

Grand Knight – Steven Herpel

Life:

Division "D"

3rd Msgr. John R. Pennington [Council No. 9808](#)

Grand Knight – Ronald Hopkins

2nd 2-way tie

Holy Face Council No. 3849

Grand Knight – Carl Wolf

Most Holy Rosary Council No. 11511

Grand Knight – Pasteur "Al" Camp, Sr.

1st Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont

Division "C"

3rd St. John Neumann Council No. 11618

Grand Knight – Paul Peyla

2nd Immaculate Heart of Mary Council No. 9968

Grand Knight – Craig Davie

1st St. Francis Xavier, the Missionary Council No. 10957

Grand Knight – Herb Male

Division "B"

3rd 2-way tie

Fr. Michael J. McGivney Council No. 7025

Grand Knight – Armando Fernandez

St. Michael's of Poplar Springs Council No. 10525

Grand Knight – Paul Burkett

2nd 2-way tie

St. Agnes Council No. 4449

Grand Knight – David Reed

Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

1st St. Peter the Apostle Council No. 13290

Grand Knight – Michael Jacobs

Division "A"

3rd Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372

Grand Knight – Steven Herpel

2nd St. Louis the King Council No. 11898

Grand Knight – Joe Knight

1st Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

GENERAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Division "D"

3rd Most Holy Rosary Council No. 11511

Grand Knight – Pasteur "Al" Camp, Sr.

2nd Holy Face Council No. 3849

Grand Knight – Carl Wolf

1st Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont

Division "C"

3rd St. John Neumann Council No. 11618

Grand Knight – Paul Peyla

2nd St. Columcille Council No. 5317

Grand Knight – Robert Butto

1st St. Francis Xavier, the Missionary Council No. 10957

Grand Knight – Herb Male

Division "B"

3rd St. Agnes Council No. 4449

Grand Knight – David Reed

2nd St. Peter the Apostle Council No. 13290

Grand Knight – Michael Jacobs

1st Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

Division "A"

3rd St. Louis the King Council No. 11898

Grand Knight – Joe Knight

2nd Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372

Grand Knight – Steven Herpel

1st Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S AWARD

Father Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

And Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight Christopher Phillips

HONOR DISTRICT AWARD

District No. 13

District Deputy – Calvin Anthony

District Warden – Chris Daigle, Sr.

The Councils that are included in District 31 are:

St. Patrick Council No. 370

Grand Knight – Paul Brennan, Jr

Cardinal Gibbons Council No. 2521

Grand Knight – Thomas Flynn

Fr. Burgraff Council No. 6021

Grand Knight – John Mulcahy

Pope John Paul the Great Council No. 13859

Grand Knight – Joe Mizell

SUPREME COUNCIL SERVICE PROGRAM AWARDS

Faith

3rd Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont

2nd Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

1st St. Francis Xavier, The Missionary Council No. 10957

Grand Knight – Herb Male

The St. Francis Xavier parish is the oldest Catholic Church in continuous use in the original English colonies. The cemetery has been in continual use since 1661 and the original chapel was built in 1662. As part of the St. Francis Xavier 360th anniversary celebration, two parish cemetery projects were planned and completed. The first was the erection of a wooden frame, "ghost structure" representation of the original parish chapel. An informational plaque summarizing the history of the parish is planned to be installed in front of the chapel structure. The second project was the installation of a set of Stations of the Cross along the southern border of the cemetery.

Family

3rd Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

2nd St. Agnes Council No. 4449

Grand Knight – David Reed

1st Fr. Maurice J. Wolfe Council No. 11372

Grand Knight – Steven Herpel

Council 11372 held a Family Adoration and Game night. This event was free and was open to everyone in the Abingdon, MD, community. The evening began with a Mass, followed by a social event that included: opening prayers, a meal, and fun activities including bingo games, door prizes, etc.

This event provided a free family-fun night, especially for economically disadvantaged families, while providing a venue for our community to get closer to the domestic Church and to pray with others.

Community

3rd Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

2nd Long Green Valley Council No. 8736

Grand Knight – Christopher Phillips

1st Fr. MaGrand Knight – Steven Herpel

Council 11372 planned and hosted a charity fundraiser on March 4th of this year. The Helping Hands Charity Ball began as an idea in early July 2022 from a Past Grand Knight, Sir Knight William Hengemihle who passed later that month. William Hengemihle's idea was to raise funds to help provide support to: St. Francis de Sales Outreach - to help the poor in Harford County, Harford Academy (formerly John Archer) - to serve youth with intellectual disabilities, Father Wolfe Scholarship Program, and any emergency needs that may arise for St. Francis de Sales or parishioners. The Helping Hands Charity Ball took approximately 300 hours to plan and 30 hours to decorate and host the event. Around \$16,500 of revenue was collected resulting in over \$7,000 in profits to aid the community partners of Harford County.

Life

3rd Fr. Rosensteel Council No. 2169

Grand Knight – Timothy Stocker

2nd St. Francis Xavier, The Missionary Council No. 10957

Grand Knight – Herb Male

1st Fr. Sebastien de Rose Council No. 13091

Grand Knight – David Reumont

Council 13091 expanded their Special Needs program to provide as much financial support to help acquire Therapy Service Dogs for Warrior Canine Connection, Inc. Specifically, to help reduce the number of U.S. military Veterans who suffer mentally and physically from horrifying and debilitating loss of limbs, severe burn injuries, PTSD, and some of the most severe Traumatic Brain Injuries which are directly related to the 6,565 veteran suicide deaths recorded each year. The council donations in support of this FIA-LIFE program helps provide Therapy Service Dogs to these deserving veterans.

STATE BLESSED MICHAEL MCGIVNEY AWARD

Reverend James M. Bors, Associate Pastor of Our Lady of the Chesapeake and St. Jane Frances de Chantal parishes, and Council Chaplain for Msgr. Raymond P. Kelley Council No. 10966.

District Deputy #4 Rick Przybylski

Msr. Raymond P. Kelly Council No. 10966 Grand Knight Steven Quigley