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## Special Points of Interest:

- May 3—Virtual State Convention
- May 7—Several Online Exemplification offered by Supreme

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## Grand Knight's Message

Brothers, these past several weeks have been really unusual, not to say challenging. I hope you and your family are doing OK and coping well with the current situation the pandemic has created. I have to admit, I'm not used to on-line meetings and not being able to communicate face to face. I miss the comraderie and Christian fellowship we share at meetings and activities. But, this too will pass and hopefully sooner rather than later.

The other night while DGK Brian Harvey and I were working on the SP-7 form we will submit to Supreme to qualify our council for the Columbian Award, we were struck by the fact that our biggest challenge wasn't coming up with enough programs to complete the form, but rather selecting which programs to submit. We had to leave a number of good programs on the table because the form limits us to 4 programs in each of 4 categories: Faith, Family, Community and Life. We were able to list a "required" program, plus 3 additional ones in each area. This despite the fact that we've had to cancel some programs, such as the Lenten Retreat with Brian Pusateri scheduled for March 30, our monthly Family Brunches, Rosaries, and April Blood Drive. A "Thank You" goes to Jim Duffy for streaming our virtual Good Friday Stations of the Cross. We, indeed, have a very active council. Having to pick which programs to submit and those not to submit is a good problem to have. I'm sure there are councils that struggle to come up with enough programs to qualify for this award.

While our council has achieved a high level of successful service to the parish and community, we can't relax or ease up. We need to keep looking for new ways to serve, while at the same time maintaining the viable programs and activities we currently sponsor. Sometimes it feels like we're beating a dead horse, but we need to find ways to get more members involved and active in the council.

When the pandemic is over and life returns to normal, I hope to see you at a council meeting helping to keep the council moving forward.

Peace,

GK Glenn Spivey



### Council Officer Elections

May is the month the council holds its election for the coming fraternal year 2020-2021.

The proposed list of officers are:

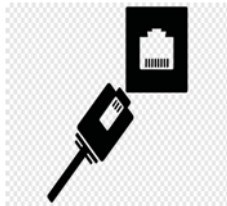
GK—Brian Harvey

DGK—Charles Chaney  
 Chan—Scott Richter  
 Treas—Duane Dudkiewicz  
 Adv \_ John Joyce  
 Inside Guard—Dan Shepherd  
 Outside Guard—David Kerik  
 3 Yr Trustee—Walter Kulla  
 Warden—Position Open

Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

The election will be held via a ZOOM Meeting to be announced.

### Virtual State Convention



Due to the COVID 19 Virus, the state convention this year will be a virtual one.

Our council elected two delegates to attend. They were GK Glenn Spivey and DGK Brian Harvey.

At the convention, several important items must be voted on for the coming fraternal year. State Budget and election of state officers will be two of the most important items.

The virtual convention will be

held on May 3, 2020, between 9:00—10:30 am. Only delegates, state, and supreme officers will attend.

### Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity Online



### You're Invited

Please join us for an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity during one of our upcoming scheduled events:

<u>Thursday, April 30</u>	<u>Thursday, May 7</u>
<a href="#"><u>7:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>7:00 am Eastern Daylight Time</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>10:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>2:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time</u></a>
	<a href="#"><u>7:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time</u></a>
	<a href="#"><u>10:00 pm Eastern Daylight Time</u></a>

We normally conduct these ceremonies in person. However, current precautions necessitate an online ceremony to accommodate the large number of men eagerly waiting to join our Order.

**Please Note:**

- For registration, you will need to know the council number you are joining
- Please feel free to invite your family to watch the ceremony with you
- There is a maximum capacity of 9,000 attendees, so please choose another event if your preferred time is full
- Registration confirmation and reminders are sent to your email address. Please arrive 15 minutes before the start time. You may click on the time above to register.

**This is a golden opportunity for all First and Second Degree Knights to advance to the Third degree by investing 45 minutes of your time.**

## District Deputy Report

### Strategies for Effective Team Communication During Quarantine

Many companies operate well with distributed workforces because they understand their communication challenges. Every Knights Of Columbus team is different, but there are strategies that can transform how well your Council works during COVID-19.

Equip your Council with tools and systems that meet your needs. With the right communication apps/software, your Council can still do great work. Recently, I worked with three different video conferencing or virtual meeting apps: **Zoom**, **Webex** and **House Party**.

**Zoom** made its app free and reduced time restrictions, so you can have unrestricted length to your meetings. **Zoom** also operates well with low band equipment, which many of us still have at home. **WebEx** works well with large groups, but it can be expensive to operate and uses large band width. **House Party** is free, but it's an Apple only product.

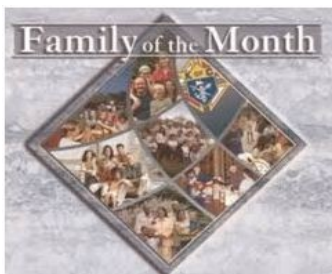
Ask your Council members to give you feedback, during and after your projects. When you finish your meetings, have a post-mortem debriefing.

Be completely transparent with your goals and progress. It's especially important for remote teams to share the context of your progress, since face-to-face meetings are not possible. Making your own work transparent to your team members and making team efforts transparent to the rest of the Council is absolutely critical. It makes us all participants in each other's work, rather than being siloed and unaccountable.

Council officers and directors need to communicate via email and have virtual meetings with your members to uphold our sense of Unity and Fraternity.

If you need help setting up a **Zoom** meeting, please give me a call.  
John Joyce, District Deputy 24, 336-814-5005

## FOM



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Check our website for more information on the Family & Knight of the Month

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Business Meetings—  
Second Thursday of the Month

Officers & Directors Meeting -  
Monday before the Business  
Meeting

All Meetings in the Simmons Par-  
ish Center at 7:00 pm

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Sam Waters  
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## Knights of Columbus Field Agent Report

### SUBJECT: Knights Tied for Most Financially Strong Life Insurer in North America

Dear Brothers,

A few days ago, S&P Global Ratings issued a report that ranked all its rated North American Life Insurance Companies from strongest to weakest. You should be proud to know that your Knights of Columbus are tied for first! \*

The Knights are one of six companies - out of a total of 66 - that has an AA+ rating on financial strength, and a stable outlook. S&P also lists the Knights as having a "very strong" business risk profile, and an "excellent" financial risk profile.

Financial strength and stability are on a lot of people's minds lately, and it's reassuring to know that the Knights stand tall among the competition.

However, this unprecedented international crisis may be impacting your family, please know that I am here to help you review your situation and discuss how the Knights may be able to help. And - to respect social distancing protocols - we have transitioned to virtual meetings. I can meet with you over the computer whenever you'd like.

So, let's chat! Let me know someday/times that work for you, and together we can figure out how the Knights' best-in-class financial strength can help protect you and your family.

Fraternally,

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