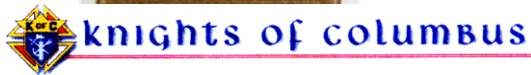




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Worthy Officers and Members:

By definition the Knights of Columbus is a CATHOLIC **FAMILY FRATERNAL** Organization. Therefore, the FAMILY should be the forefront of all activities!

Recently, a FAMILY overnight outing took place at Camp Tall Pines in Poland. Everyone attending had a wonderful time. Plans are in the process for a similar outing next year. Watch for more information in future newsletters.

As Knights of Columbus, we have always been interested in the development of strong, vibrant families. In support of this philosophy and to create an even greater awareness of our many fine Columbian families, the Supreme Council instituted the "FAMILY OF THE MONTH" program. Since that time this program has grown to be one of the Order's most successful programs.

We must strive to continue the success of the "FAMILY OF THE MONTH" by our continued participation. Recently, information provided by Supreme Council indicates that councils in this beautiful State of Maine have had only three (3) councils participating. Every council must have families that participate in the Knights activities. Please avail yourself of this wonderful program and submit your entries prior to the 15th of each month.

Procedures for the "Family of the Month" program, along with the forms, can be found in booklet 1993 'Family of the Month' available at Supreme. Information should have been received in the Grand Knight's package.

This brings me to another topic: From the Family of the Month selection for "FAMILY OF THE YEAR" can be chosen. The Family of the Year applications can also be found in the booklet 1993. These applications must be submitted to the Family Life Activities Director NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 20, 2013. This will give time for proper review before presentation to all Directors for selection of the "Family of the Year"

Along with these two important programs here are other suggestions for FAMILY Activities:

The best place to find suggestions for such activities is in the booklet "SURGE...WITH SERVICE" booklet number 962 available through Supreme.

1. Organize Food Drives to help various food pantries so no family goes without.
2. Promote Fathers for Good through fathersforgood.org web site.
3. Keep widows and families of deceased members informed of council activities and invite them to participate.
4. Offer support and discussion groups for married couples and support services that provide marital counseling programs
5. Urge members to reserve Sundays as FAMILY day. Organize FAMILY Corporate Communion and Breakfasts. "THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER STAYS TOGETHER".

In closing, let me remind you that I am available to assist you, JUST ASK!!!! VIVAT JESUS!

HAVE YOU SUBMITTED YOUR FAMILY OF THE MONTH?

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