

From the office of: State Program Director Tony Levesque

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My Brother Knights:

This year's Surge with Service Program will end on March 1, 2013 and Judging Weekend will be held in Old Town on March 2nd. There have been some impressive projects reported on from all over the State of Maine. As of today I have received over 1143 reports submitted by over 50 Councils. I estimate another 400 reports from an additional 15 Councils will be submitted from around the State before the deadline and I strongly believe that there were many more activities that will go unreported.

My justification for promoting continued reporting can be supported by the following three points:

- 1. Any reports submitted after March 1, 2013 until next March 1 will be credited towards the next Program Year.
- 2. The Fraternal Year runs from July 1 to June 30 and that continued activities should be reported in a timely fashion in order to qualify for the Supreme Columbian Award. The absolute deadline for submittals to Supreme for the Columbian Award is June 30, 2013.
- 3. <u>Surge ... with Service</u> is not just about awards and meeting deadlines. As stated in the booklet the program is designed to establish EACH council as an influential and important force within the community, elevate the status of programming personnel, provide more meaningful and relevant programs of action, establish direct areas of responsibility, build leadership and ensure the success of council programs.

Your challenge is to follow the Program **Surge ... with Service!!!**

If anyone needs any assistance feel free to contact me at any time.

Fraternally yours,
Tony Levesque, State Program Director