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There are still four months left in this year's Surge with Service Program. There have been several very good activities reported and I know that there are a lot more activities that will be reported between now and March 1, 2013.

The message in the Surge with Service booklet for this year best summarizes how the program can help change a community, town, city or neighborhood in which you live.

“ We are a ‘Catholic, family, fraternal, service organization’, this theme permeates the entire Service Program; all Church, community, council, family-life, pro-life and youth activities. CATHOLIC – the common denominator for all our members. Catholicism serves as the foundation for continued growth and performance. FAMILY – the very basis of society around which all our programs and activities evolve. FRATERNAL – banded together for the purpose of providing for the spiritual and material welfare of our membership. SERVICE – our involvement and commitment to Church, community, council, family and youth.”

The program is the central point of SERVICE. The booklet is full of great ideas on how to establish a successful Surge with Service Program and suggestions for activities that might be used at the local Council level. A strong service program will help to build stronger councils that will in turn build stronger Churches, communities and families.

The Knightline byline showcases the theme “In Service to One. In Service to All”. WE should consider the earlier message that stated, **“One of the most important aspects of the leadership training your council leaders receive is learning responsibility for getting things done in the council. Whether it be filing paperwork on time or implementing a fund-raiser, the ability to get work started, delegate tasks and follow through are skills these men will find useful.”**

If anyone needs help with the program, please feel free to contact me.

Fraternaly yours,
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