

Brother Knights,

The change in programs from “Surge with Service” to “Faith In Action” has also caused changes to our state awards. The biggest change is that we have retired the Youth Service Program award and the Council Service program award as those program categories no longer exist in “Faith In Action.” Additionally, the Harry Tucker Fraternalism award and the Family of the Year award have been moved to State Family Chairman Ed Hebert.

Below please find a listing of the state awards and their submission deadlines. Please note that there are two different submission deadlines for the awards but please do the State Chairmen a favor and get your entry in early – the timelines are very tight for the entries to be judged.

Awards due April 1st to State Chairmen

State Chairmen Deadline to General Program Director, April 6th

General Program Director Deadline to State Officers, April 11th

- Culture of Life Essay Contest: Ron DeGroot, LIFE@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Culture of Life Chairman
- Harry Tucker Fraternalism Award: Edward Hebert, FAMILY@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Family Chairman
- Family of the Year: Edward Hebert, FAMILY@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Family Chairman
- Knight of the Year: Edward Hebert, FAMILY@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Family Chairman
- George C. Turk Award: Dr. Scott Hulse, COMMUNITY@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Community Chairman (Blood Donations)
- Wade S. Walden Award: Dr. Scott Hulse, COMMUNITY@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Community Chairman (Platelet Donations)

Awards due April 15th to State Chairmen

Service Program Awards

State Chairmen Deadline to General Program Director, April 20th

General Program Director Deadline to State Officers, April 25th

- Culture of Life/Herbert Liebert Award: Ron DeGroot, LIFE@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Culture of Life Chairman
- Council Service Program Award: **Retired due to changes in “Faith In Action”**
- Community Service Program Award: Dr. Scott Hulse, COMMUNITY@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Community Chairman
- Church Service Program Award: Tom Pursley, CHURCH@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Church Chairman
- Family Service Program Award: Edward Hebert, FAMILY@KOFC-WA.ORG, State Family Chairman
- Youth Service Program Award: **Retired due to changes in “Faith In Action”**

Culture of Life Awards – Councils should bring them to the Convention and deliver to the Culture of Life Chairman Ron DeGroot by noon on Saturday

- **Culture of Life Poster Contest for 1st – 5th Graders**
- **Culture of Life Essay for 7th and 8th Graders**

Award Submission Criteria

The state awards recognize those councils that conduct the most outstanding projects and recognize outstanding individuals. More than one entry per category per Council is allowed, however, Councils are encouraged to submit only one entry per category in the interest of time.

All entries must be submitted first to the State Chairmen. After each Chairman's careful scrutiny, each application will be sent to the State Program Director for his review. The State Program Director sends the top finalists to the State Officers for grading. The final approval and decision will lie with the State Deputy.

General Guidelines

1. Late entries are non-entries.
2. Entries in the wrong category risk being disqualified.
3. Clear and concise are your best bet.
4. Good quality pictures or copies of advertisements and fliers are worth a thousand words.
5. What was the participation level of the council membership/families/parishioners? Was this a program that only 2 members participated in or did 50% of the membership get involved?
6. What results did you get from the program? Was it a life changing event? Was it just "going through the motions"?
7. How original was this program? New? Innovative?
8. How well was the program publicized? What avenues did you employ getting the word out?
9. What planning effort was put into this program? Was it spur of the moment, or well-planned out and orchestrated?
10. Did the GK or Committee chair do all the work or was it a team effort?
11. Please limit entries to no more than eight (8) pages and eight (8) photos is possible.

State General Program Director will submit State winners to Supreme for International competition by May 30th, so there will not be much time for the State winners to tweak their International entry after the Convention.

Vivat Jesus!

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