

Knights of Columbus

Did You Know

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- The Knights of Columbus is establishing a Second Responders Program. This program will help councils to effectively support communities faced with a disaster, whether natural or manmade. Alfredo Fuentes, a retired captain of the New York Fire Department is serving as a consultant to the Supreme Knight for disaster relief is developing the program. Plans are already underway to survey members for the purpose of creating a database of volunteer capabilities, personal skills and experience. Look for more details in the months ahead.
- Over the past 40 years, Knights of Columbus councils have contributed \$382 million and countless hours of volunteer work to the Special Olympics. In addition to the financial support, and more importantly, we have offered moral support to the athletes with intellectual and or physical disabilities.
- In January, February and March each year the gymnasiums around Kansas are alive with the youth of our parish participating in the annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest. Youth compete in local, district, regional, state and national competitions.
- The Knights of Columbus are proud advocates of life at all its stages. In January we encourage participation in the Right to Life marches which commemorate the anniversary of the January 22, 1973 U.S. Supreme Court's infamous Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion.
- The Supreme Advocate's Office has developed an online tool called the Officers' Desk Reference. The reference guide is located under the password-protected Officer's Online section of kofc.org. The Officers' Desk Reference contains helpful guidance on a wide range of frequently asked questions that challenge council officers.