



Fraternal Survey 2009 - Activities Within the State - Tabulation

This survey attempted to gather information to enable a strategy to be developed to provide opportunities for:

- Fraternal Activities which would
- Unify our members and their families
- Netting an increase in membership

1. Fraternal Activities are the responsibility of : (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> State Deputy | 7 | <input type="checkbox"/> State | 13 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Deputy | 8 | <input type="checkbox"/> Districts | 12 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grand Knight | 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> Councils | 15 |

2. Fraternal Activities will lead to membership retention and membership increases:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | 17 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No | 2 |

3. Events I would like to see planned and run by: **(N.B. The format of this question was changed to reflect the reponses of participants in descending order)**

Event	#	State	District	Council
1. Masses	20			
Vow Renewal Mass	(15)	4	5	11
Seven Mile Bay Pilgrimage*	(12)	6	4	8
Celebration of Love	(10)	4	3	9
Mass Deceased Members	(4)	1		4
Mass for Council	(3)			3
Mass for District	(1)		1	
Mass for Pro Life	(1)	1		1
Mass	(2)	2	1	2
K of C float		20	9	10
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***Comment: Three responders pointed out that this is a Fourth Degree Event**

Event	#	State	District	Council
2. Ladies Appreciation Night	19	3	5	18
Honours & Awards Night	19	10	9	17
3. Picnics	18	9	2	11
Spiritual Retreat	18	13	3	7
4. Breakfasts	17		3	19
Potluck Meal	17		4	17
Religious Education	17	3	1	13
5. Bible Study	16		2	14
Curling	16	9	5	7
6. Golf	15	11	3	8
7. Bowling	13	4		9
8. Card Plays	12	2	4	10
9. Darts	11	3	1	7
10. Softball	9	2	3	5
Hockey	9	2		7
11. Lawn Bowling	7	2		4
12. Other Sport Basketball	1	1		1
District Rally	1		1	

4. Should there be a program developed to encourage Council visitation within: a.) the Districts Yes 17 No 1
b.) the State Yes 13 No

Comment: Further study is required: 3 responses

5. If yes, should there be a recognition of the Council with the most participation in the program within the: District Yes 5 No 3
State Yes 3 No 2

6. If yes, what type of program would you like to see developed:

**Comments: Symbol of visit representing fraternity
District could have its own symbol
Bring up at a Council meeting
Visit with Social**

7. Whenever possible wives should be included in events:

Yes **19** No **1**

8. Whenever possible children should be included in events:

Yes **18** No **2**

Comment: Grandchildren 4 responses

9. Knights of Columbus fraternal activities should not be open to non-members:

Agree **6** Disagree **11**

Comments: **Depends on the activity**
Fraternal Activity promotes members
Possible new members
Way to get new members
Possible way of getting new members

10. Non-members should be encouraged to participate in events:

Yes **12** No **2**

Comments: **Depends 4 responses**
Only with consent of members

11. Parish Priests should always be invited to events without charge:

Yes **19** No

12. Council Chaplains attending any event should have their way paid by the Council:

Yes **16** No

Comment: Depends 4 responses

13. Councils should try to become involved in Supreme Activities such as: Soccer, Free Throw, Essay Writing Contest etc.:

Yes **19** No **1**

14. State Meetings should always allow at least

½ hour Yes **12** No **1**

1 hour Yes **8** No **2**

for a general discussion on the state of the State:

15. State Events other than the Convention and the State Meetings should be used as fundraisers for the:

Council Hosting Yes **12** No **3**

State Yes **3** No **5**

District Yes **2** No **6**

Comment: Combination of state and District 1

16. More effort should be put into holding District activities:

Yes **19** No

17. Councils in a district should meet at a district level:

once a year **7**

twice a year **7**

three or more times a year: **2**

**Comments: Grand Knights should meet
Grand Knights twice a year
Once/twice for social function/speaker on one topic**

18. Training of Council Officers is important:

Yes **20** No

19. Training of Council Officers should be by the:

State Yes **14** No

District Yes **14** No

Council Yes **13** No

20. Columbian Ladies should be started in all Councils:

Yes 16 No 2

Comments: **Only if sufficient interest**
 Wives should be encouraged to participate in activities
 Where interest lies

21. Wives of members should be invited to at least one regular meeting in each fraternal year:

Yes 15 No 4

22. There should there be a committee struck to plan social/fraternal activities at a:

State Level Yes 17 No 1

District Level Yes 13 No 2

Comment: Council 1

23. The State Council website should post upcoming activities of

Councils Yes 19 No

Districts Yes 17 No

State Yes 17 No

Thanks to all that participated in the survey, it is appreciated!

Notes:

20 returns from Districts/Grand Knights/Individual Members

Questions For Discussion

Are the results of this survey helpful/useful? Why?

What was the most important information you obtained from the survey?

How should this survey be used?

Should the survey be sent to a wider group of people?

Are there other questions that should have been asked?