

West Virginia Knights of Columbus State Council



Operating Plan

2017 - 2018

Mission Statement



To promote the original principles of the Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism throughout West Virginia, and to serve as example of Catholic gentlemen dedicated to our Church and its principles and teachings.

Vision Statement



To be the leaders of Catholic principles, teachings and values in the Diocese of Wheeling – Charleston and to create a Knights of Columbus organization based on our founding principles and dedicated to our families and God that all Catholic gentlemen in the Diocese inspire to be a part of.

Strategic Goals

Detailed descriptions and tactical steps to accomplish the strategic goals are located in the WV State Council Strategic Plan 2017 – 2018 document.

Goal 1: Serving West Virginians in Need

This will be a comprehensive state-wide program to collect and distribute food, coats and other items for WV families in need.

Goal 2: Membership Enhancement

This will be a comprehensive state-wide program to meet and exceed membership quota to continue to place the WV State Council in the Circle of Honor.

Goal 3: Training and Leadership Development

This will be a comprehensive state-wide program to ensure all State Officers, District Deputies, Committee Chairmen, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries are properly trained, as well as to develop future leaders for the State and Subordinate Councils.

Goal 4: Communications

This will be a state-wide program to communicate the good works of our Order to churches and general public in WV.

Goal 5: Growth of the Council

This will be a state-wide focus on initiatives and support to make each local Council the strongest possible.

Meeting Schedule

The 2017–2018 WV State Council will maintain a structured, but flexible meeting schedule. By publishing a structured meeting schedule far in advance of meetings, the State Council hopes to improve participation in meetings. Dates will be added as meetings are scheduled.

State Meeting Schedule

Meeting Type	Date and Time	Time	Location	Council
Org. Mtg./Install. Officers	Jul. 15–16, 2017	8:30 AM	Morgantown	2954
Mid-Year Mtg.	Dec. 2, 2017	9:30 AM	Elkins	603
State Convention	May 19-21, 2018	9:00 AM	Clarksburg	872

Major Degrees Schedule

Dates	Locations

Internal Communications Plan

The 2017–2018 WV State Council will maintain a structured communications plan. It will ensure all members of the State Council and subordinate councils will be fully aware of the status of current business. The plan will include the following:

- An electronic communication entitled “From the Desk of the State Deputy.” It will be sent to all State Officers, District Deputies, Committee Chairmen and Grand Knights at the end of month. The State Deputy will write and distribute this communication.
- The State Deputy will talk with each state officer as needed.
- The State Council will continue to distribute the periodic release of the State Newsletters. The newsletter will no longer be distributed in paper form. It will be available on the State website and an email blast will be sent out with the link.
- The State Officers will conduct a monthly conference call to discuss any hot topics, membership and program status and tasks for the following month. The State Deputy will lead these meetings.
- The State Officers will meet in person once every quarter for a half-day meeting at a location and time defined in the State Meeting Schedule. The State Warden will be responsible for the logistics of these meetings.

- The District Deputies will make phone contact with each of their councils at least twice a month, and in addition will distribute any communications as
- directed by the State Officers, Committee Chairmen, Division Directors and Membership and Program Directors.
- The District Deputies will make an in-person visit to each of their councils at least once each quarter.
- District Deputies will conduct a monthly conference call to discuss any hot topics, membership and program status and tasks for the following month. The State Deputy will lead these meetings.
- The State Directory will be completed and distributed at the Organizational Meeting in July.

Training

The WV State Council, as part of its strategic plan and goals will facilitate training sessions for District Deputies, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries. We will work in conjunction with our Supreme Program and Membership Director to help coordinate this training. Many of these training sessions will be available online and supplemented with in person sessions as necessary.

Membership & Program Activities

For the purposes of conducting membership and program activities, the State Council will be divided into 5 divisions. Each division will have a State Officer as a Director. Each Director will be responsible for the activities of 2 districts. They will work closely with the District Deputies to help ensure each District is meeting its membership and program goals each month as directed by the Program and Membership Directors.

High Level Duties for Program and Membership Directors

Program Director: The Program Director will have full authority of the State Deputy when working with committees and committee chairmen for the following committees: Family, Youth, Community, Church and Council, as well as assisting the State Deputy with the annual special state-wide program. This Director will be the direct liaison between these committee chairmen and the State Deputy.

Membership Director: The Membership Director will have full authority of the State Deputy when working with the Division Directors and District Deputies when conducting membership activities. The Membership Director, working with the State Deputy, will be responsible for developing and overseeing the state-wide membership program.

Note: For a more detailed description of duties for the Membership and Program directors, see the **WV Knights of Columbus Committee Chairman Duties 2013 -2104”** document.

WV State Council: Who's Who

State Office	Officer
State Chaplain	Rev. John Rice
State Deputy	Scott Nale
State Secretary	Paul Niedbalski
State Treasurer	Frank Koenig
State Advocate	Mike Stanger
State Warden	Dave Torlone
Immediate Past SD	Gerald P. Somazze PSD

Supreme Membership/Program	
Consultant	Joe Pietruszynski PSD

Committee	Director/Chairman
Program Director	Mike Mcdougale PSD
Membership Director	Michael Sarcopski
Athletic	Dennis Allen
Church Activities	Helgi Nelson
Catholic Schools	Gerald Schmidt, PSD
Ceremonials	Henry J. Bobbin
Columbian Squires	George Merolle
Community Activities	Patrick Lamb, PSD
Council Activities	Heriberto Rodriguez
Family Activities	Samuel W. Gross
Father McGivney Guild	Harry Helmick
Insurance Promotion	Michael F. Burkitt
Keep Christ in Christmas	
Mentally Handicapped	Carmen R. Romano
New Council	Kenneth L. Nale
Culture of Life	Christopher Kolonco
Publicity	Les Halapy
Round Table	John Lease
Scholarship	Anthony Paletta
Special Olympics	Darrell Capral, PSD
State Disaster	Sande Genung
Vocations	Kevin Simonton
Website	Thomas R Eades III
Youth Activities	Joe King

Division	Division Director	Districts
#1	Darrell Capral	#1 & #9
#2	Clarence Wheatley	#2 & #3
#3	Scott Nale	#6 & #10
#4	Gerald Somazze	#4 & #5
#5	Paul Niedbalskik	#7 & #8

District	District Deputy
District #1: 504, 1907, 2593, 12195, 12678, 12830	Brian Gordon
District #2: 594, 771, 12634, 12630, 15886	Sam Gross
District #3: 963, 4694, 9483, 12064, 12893	Bob Matheny
District #4: 603, 713, 872, 1415, 2010, 16494	Tom Coffman
District #5: 942, 2954, 8288, 9578, 11890, 16530	Rob Cooke
District #6: 10011, 10545, 12191, 15610	Robert Grabenstien
District #7: 3232, 3251, 7772, 10347, 16224	Anthony Gerard
District #8: 1404, 5657, 6180, 8689, 9814	Sande Genung
District #9: 3734, 11919, 12972, 15468	Will Sleever
District #10: 1169, 10756, 12036, 13887	Cletus Bell

Note: For a map of the WV Districts and their Councils, see Attachment A. For a chart of the WV Organizational Structure, see Attachment B.

District 9

3734 – Weirton
11919 – Follansbee
12972 – Wellsburg
15468 – Chester

District 1

504 – Wheeling
2593 – Wheeling
12195 – Wheeling
1907 – Moundsville
12678 – WJU
12830 – Wheeling

District 5

942 – Fairmont
2954 – Morgantown
8288 – WVU
9578 – Kingwood
11890 – Mannington

District 4

603 – Elkins
713 – Grafton
872 – Clarksburg
1415 – Weston
2010 – Thomas

District 2

594 – Parkersburg
771 – Charleston
12630 – Charleston
12634 – Ravenswood
15886 – Spencer

District 3

963 – Huntington
4694 – St. Albans
9483 – Hurricane
12064 – Logan
12893 – Nitro

District 10

1169 – Martinsburg
10756 – Inwood
12036 – Charles Town
13887 – Shepherdstown

District 6

10011 – Romney
10545 – Keyser
12191 – Berkeley Springs
15610 – Fort Ashby

District 7

3232 – Montgomery
3251 – Richwood
7772 – Summersville
10347 – Gassaway
16224 – Oak Hill

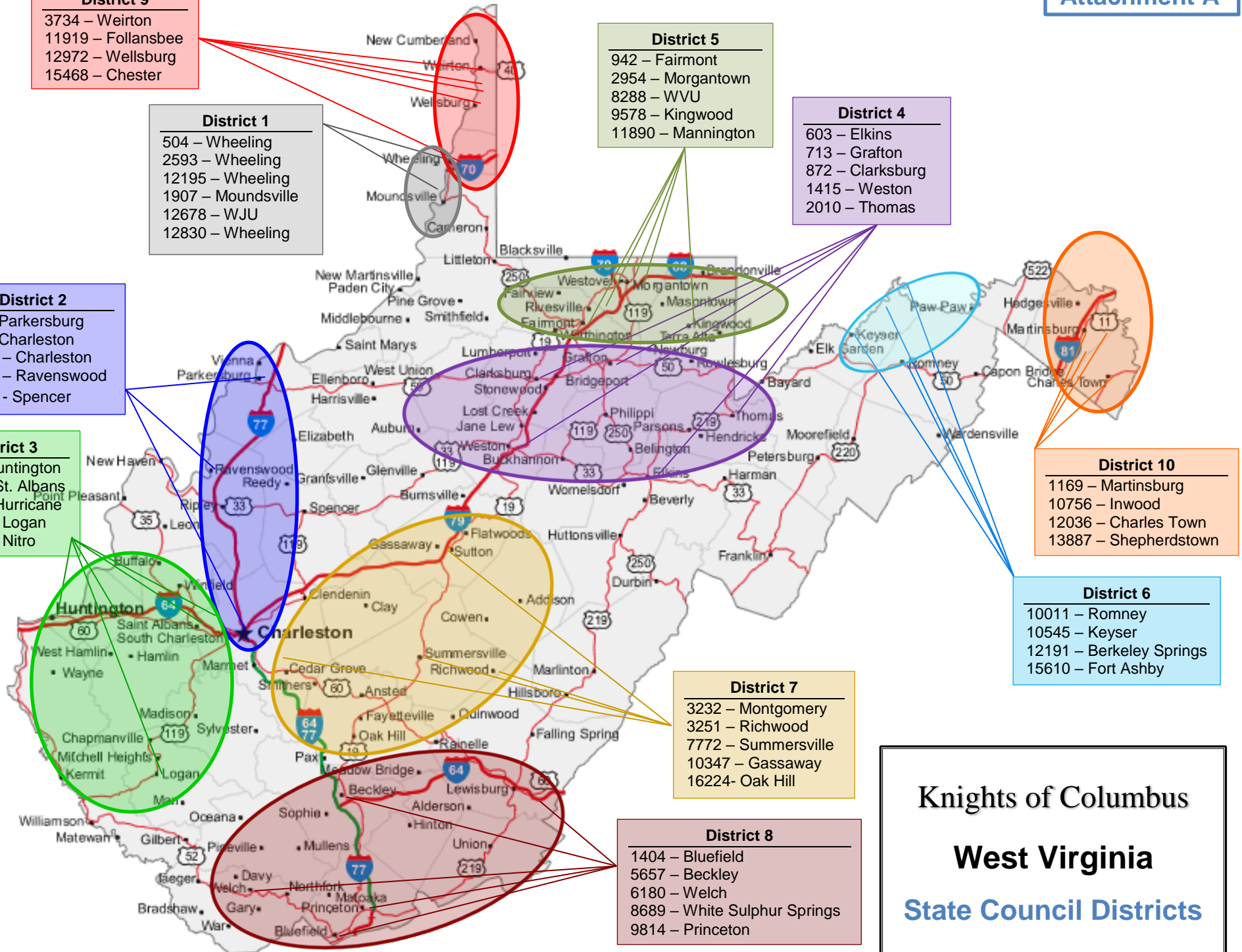
District 8

1404 – Bluefield
5657 – Beckley
6180 – Welch
8689 – White Sulphur Springs
9814 – Princeton

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State Council Districts



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Membership and Program Activities Organization Structure

