



## COLORADO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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To Believe is to Become



United as One!

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To: All Elected State Officers, Past State Deputies, Insurance Agents, State Appointed Officers, Grand Knights and Faithful Navigators:

The 110<sup>th</sup> Annual Colorado State Council Knights of Columbus State Convention is quickly approaching. The 2012 State Convention is scheduled at the Embassy Suites Loveland, located at 4705 Clydesdale Pkwy Loveland, CO 80538. **The dates for this convention are THURSDAY - SUNDAY, April 26th- April 29th, 2012.**

Delegates to the convention **MUST REGISTER** in three places: (1) The hotel for a room reservation, (2) The State Secretary (Chuck Page) for credentials and (3) The convention- registration chairman (Jerry Sundee) for meals. **Registering with the State Secretary DOES NOT mean we have allocated a meal for you. Registering with the Convention Committee DOES NOT mean you have voting privileges during the business meetings.**

This year, there will be a **Registration Fee of \$15.00 per Knight** to help cover the cost of the convention bag, name tags and registration materials.

We are looking forward to another successful convention. We hope ALL Knights will make a concerted effort in attending some or all of the events. **This allows us to get the space from the hotel to put on the convention. Your participation is critical.** For any questions that you may have in regards to the convention, please contact Convention Chairman Paul Patricca at [paulpatricca@comcast.net](mailto:paulpatricca@comcast.net) / 303-933-8479 (home).

*Yours in Charity,  
Unity & Fraternity,*

*Paul Patricca*

Paul W. Patricca, PGK, FDD  
Special Events Coordinator/ State Convention Chairman

This packet provides valuable information that you will want to give to all members throughout the state. A **tentative** agenda of activities is included for your reference, but is subject to change as the convention date draws nearer.

## Room Reservations

*Special rates are established for the Colorado Knights of Columbus if made prior to Tuesday, April 3, 2012. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS!!! After April 3rd room rates will revert to the normal room rate.*

1. Individuals are responsible for making their own reservations. Please contact the main reservation number for Embassy Suites or make a reservation directly on-line in our group's block. **For Online Reservations**, the website address for our convention is: [www.embassysuites.com](http://www.embassysuites.com) or go to [www.coloradokofc.org](http://www.coloradokofc.org) and **click on link** to room reservations. Our group code is **CSC**. The group name and rates will appear as long as there is still availability in the block. Select the room type preferred and proceed to booking.
2. **The phone number is 1-800-EMBASSY.** Be sure to identify yourself as a Knights of Columbus Convention attendee. Room rates will be **\$119.00** plus tax.

## Hospitality Rooms-CHANGE

*We will again be having **individual hospitality rooms** vs a hospitality area. This is how we handled it prior to 2011. All hospitality room reservations are made directly with the Convention Chairman, Paul Patricca. Embassy Suites will not accept hospitality room reservations directly! A Hospitality Room Reservation Form is included in this packet to be used by councils, assemblies, districts, or individuals requesting a Hospitality Room. There is a one-time \$75 furniture removal charge for each hospitality room.*

*Hospitality Rooms are LIMITED. Rooms will be assigned on a FIRST COME BASIS. You are strongly encouraged to send in your form early.*

## Registration Form

Only one registration form is included in this packet. Please reproduce as many copies as you desire. The convention packet is available for downloading from the State Council website. The address is: <http://www.coloradokofc.org>

**Primary Delegates, District Deputies, Past State Deputies, Widows of Past State Deputies and Elected State Officers** will receive a credit towards convention meals. However, these individuals **MUST** still complete the registration form.

**Alternate Delegates and Guests** are required to pay the applicable registration fees when registering. Please complete the registration form for you and your family. Please use one registration form for each Knight and their family. *Councils are STRONGLY ENCOURAGED to register their clergy. The council should also pay for their package and accommodations.*

## **Opening Night Clergy Appreciation Dinner**

The Opening Night Dinner will focus upon Clergy Appreciation. We are encouraging all councils to invite their clergy to join us at the Opening Mass Thursday evening, followed by the appreciation event. There is a **\$35.00 per person charge** for this activity.

## **Convention Book Advertisement**

There is an advertisement form included with this package of information. Please support the convention by purchasing an advertisement in this year's edition. Every district, council, and assembly should consider having an advertisement in this booklet.

## **Convention Goodie Bags**

If your business, company or other entity would like to place a novelty item, gift certificate, coupon or other advertisement in the convention goodie bag, please contact the Convention Chairman Paul Patricca at 303-933-8489.

## **Banquet**

The hotel can accommodate up to 1000 people. All attendees will be assigned table seating in one room. There will be no overflow seating. Table assignments will be based on your district's increased membership percentage as of March 31, 2012. There is no unassigned seating. **Attendance commitments received by March 31, 2012 are assured seating with their district. All others will be seated on a first come-first served basis.**

## **Youth Activities**

The State Council is providing food, activities and games for your children **during the Convention Banquet ONLY**. We encourage kids to bring their favorite movies, pillow/blankets, and games if they desire. All youth using the youth room must be REGISTERED convention guests.

## **Ladies Sunday Morning**

Ladies are encouraged to join others on Sunday morning in the hotel's restaurant for a Continental Brunch. There is an additional cost per person for this event to be paid to the hotel at the time of the gathering.

## **4<sup>th</sup> Degree Sir Knights**

All Sir Knights with regalia are **STRONGLY ENCOURAGED** to bring their regalia to the convention. The State Deputy has requested an Honor Guard for all Masses during the convention weekend. We will also need escorts for the dignitaries during the Grand March at the banquet Friday evening.