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De Soto Province



## Fourth Degree Awards Manual 2022-2023

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Worthy Faithful Navigators of the South Carolina District,

Congratulations on being elected as Faithful Navigator of your Assembly. I hope you have a successful year. If there is anything I can do to assist you, please do not hesitate to call.

What is our purpose as members of the Fourth Degree? Knights of the Patriotic Degree honor our legacy of knighthood and celebrate the proud Catholic American history we share. Knights of the Patriotic Degree hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable, working to keep God in the civic arena, serving the life of the Church, and defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty.

The South Carolina District Programs Awards was created to encourage and recognize service by an Assembly or Sir Knight to their parishes, families, and communities. I encourage you to study the Awards Manual and incorporate them into your plans for the year.

This Manual was written with two goals in mind:

- To benefit you, the Faithful Navigator, and your Assembly in planning for your success.
- Explain the District Awards Program.

May our founder and brother, the Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Fraternally Yours,

Daniel E. Barton, IPSD



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**“For it does not matter what we claim to be. It matters what we are and what we do.”**

## **South Carolina District and Supreme Fourth Degree Awards Program**

The South Carolina District Fourth Degree Awards consists of five (5) district awards and three Supreme Awards. The five district awards are:

- Former Master Arthur E. Anderson (*Sir Knight of the Year Award*)
- Monsignor John L. Manning Catholicity Award (*Youth*)
- District "To Be A Patriot" Award (*Best Activity form #TBP-1*)
- Outstanding Assembly Award (*Best Assembly Award*)
- Catholic Legacy Award (*New Sir Knight Recruitment*)

There are also three Supreme Council Awards

- Supreme Council "To Be A Patriot" Award(Supreme Best Activity form #TBP-1)
- Supreme Council Civic Award (List Four Programs on form #2321)
- STAR Assembly Award

The following pages explain the requirements for each of these awards.

These awards are described on the SC State Council website ([www.kofcsc.org](http://www.kofcsc.org)) under Patriotic Fourth Degree.

## **Former Master Arthur E. Anderson Sir Knight of the Year Award**

**AWARD:** The FM Arthur E. Anderson Sir Knight of the Year Award is given annually by the District of South Carolina, Desoto Province of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus, in memory of FM Anderson. This award is given to an outstanding Sir Knight who best exemplifies those qualities which endeared Arthur Anderson to all who knew him. Arthur E. Anderson was the first Master of the South Carolina District. He was instrumental in revitalizing the Fourth Degree in South Carolina and establishing the District of South Carolina.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Each Assembly in the District of South Carolina shall nominate a Sir Knight in good standing who has enhanced the Fourth Degree in his Assembly during this Fraternal Year.

**NOMINATIONS:** The Assembly's nomination should do the nominee justice. Cover the nominee's works in his Assembly, parish, and community. The nomination package must be complete and comprehensive. He has worked hard for his Assembly and our Order, so make the nomination very strong.

**JUDGING:** The Master shall appoint a committee. The Master shall appoint a replacement in case of a conflict of interest by any member of the Selection Committee.

**DUE:** March 31, 2023

Send nominations to: Thomas O'Donnell  
District Program Director  
tomodddkc20@gmail.com  
413-237-5769

**DISTRICT AWARD:** PLAQUE – Awarded at the 2023 South Carolina State Convention.

## **MONSIGNOR JOHN L. MANNING CATHOLICITY AWARD**

**PURPOSE:** The Monsignor John L. Manning Catholicity award is given annually by the District of South Carolina in memory of Monsignor John L. Manning. The award is given to an outstanding Catholic boy or girl who best exemplifies those qualities which endeared Monsignor Manning to all who knew him; Love of God, Love of Church, and Love of Country. In recognition of Monsignor Manning's many years as Rector of Bishop England High School and his dedication to the training of the youth of our diocese, the recipient shall be limited to a Catholic boy or girl who is enrolled as a full-time high school student in South Carolina.

**REQUIREMENTS:** The recipient must: 1. Be a baptized and practicing Catholic, 2. Be a full-time high school student enrolled in a Catholic, private, or public high school in South Carolina, and 3. Demonstrate their love of God, Church, and country by actively participating in the parish and living their Catholic Faith by service to their school and community.

**NOMINATIONS:** The nomination shall be written to justify the nominee for this award and signed by the Faithful Navigator. Letters and other documentation regarding the nominee's contributions to the church, school, and community should be included as part of the nomination.

It is recommended that the Assembly solicit nominees and gather supporting evidence for several nominees. Nominations shall be solicited from pastors and associate pastors within the various parishes, school officials, and other persons in the community who can attest to the nominee's activities.

**JUDGING:** The Master shall appoint a committee. The Master shall appoint a replacement in case of a conflict of interest by any member of the Selection Committee.

**DUE:** March 31, 2023

Send nominations to: Thomas O'Donnell  
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**DISTRICT AWARD:** PLAQUE – Awarded at the 2023 Installation of Officers of the winning Assembly.



# DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA FOURTH DEGREE TO BE A PATRIOT AWARD

PURPOSE: The District of South Carolina Fourth Degree “To Be a Patriot Award” will be given annually to the Assembly that conducts the best Patriotic Activities in their community during the Fraternal Year. The “To Be a Patriot” Awards Program aims to stimulate community interest in our great American Heritage, make them aware of our great country's story, and help spread patriotism through various activities.

REQUIREMENTS: Each Assembly is to select the single best patriotic project or activity the Assembly has conducted during the year. Each Assembly must submit documentation describing the activity, attesting to the program conducted, and addressing the judging criteria.

NOMINATIONS: Nominations must be submitted on Supreme Council's To Be A Patriot Form (form #TBP-1). The nomination shall be written to justify the activity for this award and signed by the Faithful Navigator. Programs, newspaper articles, pictures, and other documentation regarding patriotic community activities should be included as part of the nomination.

JUDGING: The Master shall appoint a committee. The Committee will make a recommendation to the District Master, who is responsible for the final decision. The Master shall appoint a replacement in case of a conflict of interest by any member of the Selection Committee.

1. The award is based upon **a single patriotic project or activity** conducted by an Assembly during the fraternal year.
2. BASIS FOR JUDGING
  - a. Does the program truly exemplify the virtue of patriotism?
  - b. How many members participated in the program? What percentage of the entire membership participated?
  - c. What were the benefits of the program? How did the results affect the community at large?
  - d. How original was the program?
  - e. How was the program publicized, and how effective was the publicity?

DUE: March 31, 2023

Send nominations to: Thomas O'Donnell  
District Program Director  
tomodddkc20@gmail.com  
413-237-5769

DISTRICT AWARD: PLAQUE – Awarded at the 2023 South Carolina State Convention.

NOTE\*\* - Completing the form #TBP-1 and submitting it also makes the Assembly eligible to be submitted for the Supreme “To Be A Patriot Award,” so only one TBP-1 form needs to be completed to be entered in the District and Supreme “To Be A Patriot Award” running.

## **“OUTSTANDING” ASSEMBLY AWARD**

**PURPOSE:** The Award is to recognize those South Carolina District Assemblies that conduct “Outstanding” programs throughout the fraternal year and to recognize further the District’s best Assembly based on submittals for the “Outstanding Assembly Award.”

**REQUIREMENTS:** To be eligible, Assemblies must complete all requirements and submit the “Outstanding Assembly Award” application and supporting documentation to the District Program Director.

- 1. Hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable, working to keep God in the civic arena by**
  - Submitting the Civic Award (Form #2321)
- 2. Serve the life of the Church by**
  - Provide at least five (5) Church related Honor Guards.
- 3. Defend laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty by**
  - participating in at least three (3) Pro-Life or Religious Liberty activities.
- 4. Honoring our legacy of Knighthood and celebrating our proud Catholic - American History by**
  - Sponsoring the exemplification of at least three (3) new members
  - Having at least 5 Assembly Sir Knights attending an Exemplification and banquet
  - Participation in the District Awards Program by
    - Nominating a “To Be A Patriot” event
    - Nominating a person for Arthur E. Anderson and/or Msgr. John L. Manning Award.

**JUDGING:** The Master shall appoint a committee. In the event of a conflict of interest by any member of the Selection Committee or the inability of a member to serve on the committee, the Master shall appoint a replacement.

**DUE:** March 31, 2023

Send nominations to: Thomas O'Donnell  
District Program Director  
tomodddkc20@gmail.com  
413-237-5769

**DISTRICT AWARD:** PLAQUE – Awarded at the 2023 South Carolina State Convention, or subsequent District Exemplification, if no Assembly qualified by the March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline.

All Assemblies that have met the requirements for the Outstanding Assembly Award will be recognized by the South Carolina District at the Assembly’s officers’ installation the following year.

## **CATHOLIC LEGACY AWARD**

PURPOSE: We, as Catholic American Citizens, share a proud history. This history is best exemplified as part of the Fourth Degree Exemplification. The South Carolina District will present the Catholic Legacy Award to all Assemblies that share their Catholic Legacy by actively supporting exemplifications held by the South Carolina District.

REQUIREMENTS: To be eligible, an Assembly must actively recruit new Fourth Degree members, meeting their assigned quota during the fraternal year.

JUDGING: No judging is required. The SC District Master's records will serve as the account for the Assemblies.

DISTRICT AWARD: Assemblies will be recognized by the South Carolina District at the Assembly's officers' installation the following year.

# **SUPREME COUNCIL AWARDS**

## **SUPREME COUNCIL “TO BE A PATRIOT” AWARD**

**PURPOSE:** Established in 1985, the “To Be A Patriot” Award annually recognizes the three best patriotic programs conducted nationally by Fourth Degree Assemblies each fraternal year.

**REQUIREMENT:** Each Assembly will submit a report on their single best patriotic activity on form #TBP-1 to District Program Director to be judged as part of the South Carolina District “To Be A Patriot” Award.

1. The award is based upon **a single patriotic project or activity** conducted by an Assembly during the fraternal year.
2. **BASIS FOR JUDGING**
  - a. Does the program truly exemplify the virtue of patriotism?
  - b. How many members participated in the program? What percentage of the entire membership participated?
  - c. What were the benefits of the program? How did the results affect the community at large?
  - d. How original was the program?
  - e. How was the program publicized, and how effective was the publicity?

**DUE:** March 31, 2020

All #TBP-1 forms received by March 31, 2023, will be judged as part of the SC District “To Be A Patriot” Award. Noting that the Supreme Council website shows a May 31st deadline, any #TBP-1 forms received by the Master between March 31 and April 30, 2019, will be considered for the South Carolina District nomination for the Supreme Council “To Be A Patriot” Award.

**JUDGING:** The Master will judge the correctly submitted #TBP-1 forms and select a “To Be A Patriot” Award nominee, which shall be forwarded to the Vice Supreme Master of the De Soto Province. The Vice Supreme Master will select the best activity in the Province and submit the entry form to the Supreme Master. These entries will then be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Supreme Knight and Supreme Master.

Winners will be announced yearly in October. Once a program has been recognized as a winner at the international level, it cannot be entered into future competitions.

## SUPREME COUNCIL CIVIC AWARD

PURPOSE: The Civic Award is presented annually as a tribute to the spirit of patriotism and national pride exemplified in the patriotic activities conducted by Fourth Degree Assemblies. Assemblies conducting a minimum of four different patriotic programs during the fraternal year are eligible for the Supreme Council Civic Award.

REQUIREMENT: To be eligible, Assemblies must complete and submit the Civic Award application to the Supreme Council office.

JUDGING: No judging. Just submit the Civic Award application.

DUE: June 30th. Note: This will only be accepted by Supreme if on time.

All Assemblies are encouraged to achieve Civic Award status every fraternal year.

## THE STAR ASSEMBLY AWARD

PURPOSE: The STAR Assembly Award recognizes outstanding achievements in membership, programs, and overall excellence.

REQUIREMENTS and DUE DATES:

### **Membership Growth**

Reach growth quota: 5% Net Membership Growth

### **Programs**

#### **Civic Award**

Conduct and report at least four varied patriotic programs

Submit the Civic Award Application (#2321) – Due 6/30

#### **To Be A Patriot Award**

To Be A Patriot Award Application (#TBP-2) – Due 5/31

Complete the form to enter the competition

### **Overall Assembly Excellence**

- Publish a monthly Assembly Newsletter or Bulletin
- Submit Report of Assembly Officers Chosen for the Term (#186) – Due 7/1
- Submit Annual Assembly Audit Report (#1315) – Due 8/1
- Submit Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728) – Due 1/31

Copies of all **FORMS**, as well as monthly newsletters (or bi-monthly newsletters) or other forms of communication (i.e., meeting highlights, upcoming activities, etc.), must be submitted to the District Forms email group [SCDistrict.Forms@kofcsc.org](mailto:SCDistrict.Forms@kofcsc.org).

**NOTE: All required forms for the Star Assembly Award can be found on the Assembly Forms page of [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms).**

## South Carolina District Assembly Legacy Quotas

As Catholic American citizens, we have a proud and noble heritage in our great land. What more significant way to share this history than to share it with our brother Knights by having them go through a Fourth Degree Exemplification?

Total Members	Assembly			Assembly Quota
	7/1/2022	Number	City	
187	1071	Charleston	Rev. P.N. Lynch	13
146	1072	Columbia	Bishop John England	10
89	1073	Greenville	Msgr. Charles J. Baum	6
110	1074	Aiken	Msgr. George Lewis Smith	8
68	1447	Beaufort	Rev. Albert A. Faase	5
92	1574	Florence	Msgr. Charles D. Wood	6
115	1655	Spartanburg	Fr. Maurice R. Daly	8
65	1714	Sumter	Bishop Henry P. Northrop	5
73	1799	Myrtle Beach	San Miguel	5
74	1900	Summerville	Msgr. Richard C. Madden	5
63	1933	Seneca	Fr. Isaac Hecker	4
136	2107	Garden City	Grand Strand	10
87	2108	Rock Hill	Fr. Henry Tevlin	6
105	2280	Hilton Head	Hilton Head Island	7
135	2431	North Myrtle Beach	Fr. George F. Moynihan	9
49	2502	Taylors	Holy Family	3
114	2655	Lexington	Mother Teresa	8
123	2890	Simpsonville	Holy Spirit	9
126	2902	North East Columbia	Joseph Cardinal Bernardin	9
52	3009	Summerville	St. Theresa the Little Flower	4
48	3065	Pickens	Fr. Bernard Lohman, CSP	3
39	3100	Greenwood	John Paul II	3
84	3149	Fort Mill	Fr. Michael J. McGivney	6
98	3166	Conway	St. James the Younger	7
139	3198	Bluffton	Fr. Mychal F. Judge, OFM	10
63	3243	Mt. Pleasant	Rev. Vincent Robert Capodanno	4
119	3272	Pawleys Island	Fr. Philip Grant	8
39	3411	Anderson	Fr. Francis A. Gorman	3
63	3696	Lake Wylie	St. Michael the Archangel	4
120	3697	Goose Creek	St. Francis Caracciolo	8
<b>2821</b>	Total Members in South Carolina District			197