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FIRST REPORTING QUARTER OF 2014-2015



CULTURE OF LIFE

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MARYLAND STATE COUNCIL



CULTURE OF LIFE ACTIVITY AWARD CONTEST ENTRY FORM AND REPORT COVER SHEET

SEND TO PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Brian Werring, 45652 Edge Mill Ct, Great Mills, MD 20634

Date received by State Program Director _____

GRAND KNIGHT Patrick Brim

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COUNCIL NAME Resurrection

NUMBER 11341 DISTRICT 04

LOCATION

Ellicott City
(CITY)

21042
(ZIP CODE)

THE INFORMATION THAT FOLLOWS DESCRIBES OUR COUNCIL'S PROJECT AND SERVES AS OUR ENTRY IN THE STATE COUNCIL'S SERVICE PROGRAM AWARDS CONTEST.

DATE PROJECT CONDUCTED May 11, 2014

TITLE OR NATURE OF PROJECT Mary Gold Program

WHO BENEFITED MOST FROM THIS PROJECT? Mothers of the Parish

CHAIRMAN Emory Lesho; 9154 Winding Way, Ellicott City, MD 21043; (410) 730-5660
(NAME-ADDRESS-TELEPHONE NO.)

NUMBER OF COUNCIL MEMBERS PARTICIPATING IN PROJECT 15+

ATTACH DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM/PROJECT.

PHOTOGRAPHS, NEWS CLIPPINGS, ETC., MAY BE INCLUDED WITH THIS REPORTING FORM.
USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NECESSARY

SIGNED _____ ATTEST _____
(GRAND KNIGHT) (DISTRICT DEPUTY) (DATE)

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE COUNCIL CHAIRMAN. COMPLETED ENTREES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE STATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR AS FOLLOWS:

- BEST FIRST REPORT PERIOD ACTIVITY (MAR THRU AUG) DUE BY SEPTEMBER 15TH
 - BEST SECOND REPORT PERIOD ACTIVITY (SEPT, OCT, NOV) DUE BY DECEMBER 15TH
 - BEST THIRD REPORT PERIOD ACTIVITY (DEC, JAN, FEB) DUE BY MARCH 5TH
- (Please check the appropriate box for the program being submitted)

Culture of Life Activity Report

First Reporting Quarter 2014-2015

Program Activity: MaryGold Program

Date of Activity: May 11, 2014

Objective

Promote the Knights of Columbus Culture of Life Program by providing flowers to Mothers on Mother's Day as our way of thanking them for choosing life.

Overview

The Resurrection Council presented flowers to Mothers after Masses on May 10-11, 2014. This event is one of the favorite program activities among the Brothers each year as it is always well received and puts a smile on Mom's faces. Knights were outside of all of the exits of the Church to present flowers, acknowledge the Mothers of the Parish, promote a Culture of Life and the Knights of Columbus.

Planning

Drew Scurachio took the lead in organizing the MaryGold Program. The key elements of the activity included:

- Reserving the location for after the Masses
- Reserving the Multi-Purpose room to work on labels
- Picking up the flowers
- Organizing a team to attach the labels to the flowers
- Bulletin Announcement
- Organizing the team to hand out the flowers

The Event

"Happy Mother's Day - Thank you for Choosing Life" – the label on the flowers that were handed out after each of the Masses on Mother's Day weekend says it all. The Council always looks forward to this weekend and this year didn't disappoint. Both Saturday and Sunday were beautiful days with sunshine and light breezes putting everyone in a great mood.

To ensure the flowers stayed fresh the main preparation takes place on the Friday night before the weekend Masses. Drew organized Brothers to attach 850 labels to the carnations from 4:30-

6:30 in Multipurpose Room 4 at the Church. Augmenting his core team were Brothers that could drop in for 20-30 minutes and lend a hand. There was such a good turnout that the work was done before 6pm. Well done Brothers!

Brothers assembled in advance of the Masses and containers of water and flowers were put into place for easy access. Knights were stationed at the exits from the Church armed with flowers and information on the Council. Now all that we need are Moms!

Flowers in Place . . .



Gib Lease and John Renzi - Ready to go . . .

PGK Drew Scurachio – Thanks Mom!



Sydd Souza inside the link and another Happy Mother.

Gib with Kathy Renzi – What lady doesn't love getting flowers?



Results

Handing out 850 carnations and seeing the smiles on the faces of Mothers and their families made this a very successful activity for the council. Not only did the activity promote our Culture of Life Program, but it puts the Knights in a very public and positive light for the Parish. The activity was well organized, came in on budget and was well supported by the council

Council Participation

Between planning, flower preparation and handing out flowers after Masses there were approximately 15 Brothers involved in the activity

Promotional Details

Unlike many of the Councils activities, this event was promoted by a simple bulleting announcement thanking the Mothers of the Parish for choosing life. Part of the fun is seeing the surprise on Mom's faces when they are greeted with flowers after Mass.