



KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS (SA) INC.

KNIGHTS TALK

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MACKILLOP CANONISATION CONCERT: CAN YOU HELP?

The Diocesan Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults is staging a Concert for young people in the Entertainment Centre on Sunday 31st October to celebrate the canonization of our Patroness, Mary MacKillop - St Mary of the Cross. They wish to enable young people who cannot afford to pay the \$10 entrance the opportunity to attend and take part in this very significant celebration.

They hope to cater for 2000 young people and have asked the Knights if we can help with fundraising.

Branches are invited to consider 2 ways of lending a hand.

1) A donation of \$100 from branch funds to pay for 10 tickets.
2) Provide the Youth Office with the contact details of at least 10 businesses in the local area who may be willing to send a donation.

The youth Office will write direct to the businesses.

If you can help, please contact the Youth Office direct on 8301 6866 or write to Sarah Moffatt at Catholic Education SA, 112 Kintore Avenue Thebarton SA 5031. I will contact Branch Secretaries this month but I have included this in *Knights Talk* as we have only now received this request and we realise that time is short. I would appreciate it if Branch Executives could ensure that this matter is considered at the September meeting.

STATE COUNCIL VACANCIES

Terms of office for the State Chairman and 6 State Councillors expire at the end of the year. All retiring officers are eligible to re nominate. Nomination forms for State Chairman and State Councillors have been published in September Knight Life. Nominations will close on 20th September.

STATE CONFERENCE

The 2010 State Conference will be held on Saturday 13th November at John

Martin House (the same venue as last year). The Conference will be preceded by the Annual Mass for deceased Members to be celebrated the same day at Bucklands Chapel, 333 Marion Road North Plympton. This is directly opposite the Pines, the venue of the Conference. We have engaged Mrs Jenny O'Brien of the Office of Worship as our guest presenter. Jenny will discuss the changes to the Mass, the topic of this year's Formation program. Details will be in October and November Knight Life

ANNUAL DINNER

Aberfoyle Park Branch is arranging the State Annual Dinner on Saturday November 13th at the Unley Citizen Centre, 18 Arthur St Unley. Cost will be \$30 per person, BYO drinks. The Aberfoyle Park Branch Executive has contacted branches to advise of ticketing and booking arrangements. Seating will be limited so early bookings are essential.

Details appear on pages 5 and 6 of September Knight Life

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Unpaid subscriptions are now past due. Any member who may experience difficulty with meeting the payment should contact the Branch Secretary. Reminder Notices will be sent in the near future.

FLORAL COURIER WANTED

Bruce Worrell a member of Para Regions Branch requires assistance delivering flowers subcontracting as a Floral Courier a minimum of 2-3 days a week. Along with 2 other couriers he works for 12 Florists around Adelaide. Having a small van would be preferable and living south of Adelaide would be an advantage. Please contact Bruce on 0402 165 520 for more information.

PORT AUGUSTA 75TH ANNIVERSARY

Port Augusta Branch will attain its 75th year of operation in September. The Branch will celebrate the milestone with a combined dinner in lieu of the branch meeting on

17th September
Enquiries to Paul
McGeever on 8642 3238.

PENOLA BRANCH ANNUAL DINNER

Sadly the Penola Annual dinner was cancelled because of the aftermath of the violent storm that recently devastated the community.

We are grateful to those branches that have made donations towards the restoration of the Woods MacKillop Centre that was damaged during the storm.

We also wish our Penola Brothers well at this time and assure them of our prayers and support.

An appeal has been launched for the restoration of residences and businesses damaged in the storm. For details please refer to the Wattle Range Council, www.wattlerange.sa.gov.au and follow the links to "Penola Tornado Recovery update".

PILGRIMAGE OF THE MACKILLOP CROSS

The South Australian stage of the pilgrimage has now been completed and, as I write, the Cross moves into outback New South Wales to continue its odyssey.

Thank you to those Members who generously donated their time and effort to assist with moving the Cross throughout the state.

VOCATIONAL INTERVIEWS

This is the last opportunity to register for the Nazareth College interviews on

Monday 13th September. The interviews will be held during the day.

Remaining interviews for this year are:

Nazareth College:
Monday 13th September
(day time interviews)

OLSH: 18th October.

(If you wish to register for Day Time interviews at Nazareth, please ring the Office 8371 3301)

BRANCH AGM AND ELECTIONS

Branch Annual General Meetings and the election of branch office bearers are required to be held in September.

Would Branch Secretaries please advise me, if you have not already done so, of the names of Branch Office-bearers? Thank You.

COMING EVENTS

September 13th
Vocational Interviews, Nazareth Catholic College, Findon

September 17th
Port Augusta Branch 75th Anniversary dinner

October 5th
Woodville/West Torrens Mass and Installation, St Margaret Mary's Croydon 7.30pm.

October 7th
Whyalla branch dinner

October 17th
Canonisation of Blessed Mary MacKillop, Rome.

October 18th
Vocational Interviews, OLSH, Enfield.

October 30th
Kadina Melbourne Cup dinner

November 13th State Conference, Mass for Deceased Members (The Pines and Bucklands) and Annual Dinner (Unley Citizens Centre).

November 14th
Woodville/West Torrens Christmas Luncheon, Alberton Hotel

December 6th
Mass for installation of State Council.

Would Branch Secretaries please advise Head Office of coming events for inclusion in future editions of Knights Talk.

REPLACEMENT OF SEO

State Council invites expressions of interest from Members and others who may be interested in working in State Office in either a paid or voluntary capacity.

The present State Executive Officer job description will be substantially modified and more emphasis will be placed on the role of volunteers to attend to some of the duties presently performed by the SEO.

The main office tasks at present include the co-ordination of KSC State Projects, maintenance of membership records, bookkeeping functions

(including banking and maintenance of computerised records), coordination of Knight Life mail out, production of this newsletter, acting as State Secretary and a member of State Council, liaison with Branches, interstate affiliates and the National Executive. While formal qualifications are desirable but not essential, computer literacy is essential for many tasks and a good working knowledge of our activities is desirable. If you are interested or know somebody who may be interested, please contact either the State Chairman or myself.

OBITUARIES:

Since the last edition of ***Knights Talk***, no Member has died.

Please remember in your prayers all deceased Members of our Order. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed Rest in Peace. AMEN.

Also please keep in your prayers those Members and their families who are sick or infirmed.

NEW OFFICE HOURS

The State Office will now be open on:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday from 11.30 AM to 2.30 PM. Please refer to the State Chairman's message in September Knight Life

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