

SHINING ARMOR AWARD PROGRAM
ERNESTO J. MEDEL – CHAIRMAN
COLUMBIAN YEAR 2015-2016

The Shining Armor Award Program is a voluntary program for brand new members of the local council designed to have that member involved in the activities of the council including membership activities.

The District Deputy should present the Shining Armor Award tracking card to the new member at the conclusion of the First Degree. Upon the absence of the District Deputy, the host Grand Knight or the Supreme Council Insurance Representative should insure that the new member receives this card.

The following are the requirements for the **Shining Armor Member Award**:

1. Recruit one member (1st year) or two members 2nd year and beyond
2. Participate in three or more Council activities (Church, Community, Council, Family & Youth)
3. Complete 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degrees
4. Meet with Fraternal Benefits Coordinator (Field Agent)
5. Attend three or more Council meetings (for Supreme Shining Armor Award)

These activities need to be accomplished within one year from the date of the First Degree taken by the new member. A certificate, signed by the State Deputy and Membership Director, and a specially designed lapel pin will then be presented to the Shining Armor Award qualifiers, preferably at the conclusion of a First Degree in front of brand new members of our Order.

Looking over the required activities, you can see where the council benefits with an involved member. Brothers are more likely to stay a member after completing the Third Degree. Families will benefit if a Knight becomes an insured member. Finally, our new Brothers have the opportunity to offer the gift of membership when they recruit another man into the Order.

Appropriate recognition will be made at the State Convention in May 2016 for the Council that has the most Shining Armor Award qualifiers in their Council between July 1, 2015 and April 30, 2016.

Completed Shining Armor Award tracking cards should be forwarded to your District Deputy who will forward the Shining Armor Award Program Qualification Submittal Form to the State Shining Armor Award Program Chairman for processing of the award.

For additional information about the Shining Armor Award Program, talk to your District Deputy. Shining Armor Award tracking cards can be obtained by calling the State Office at (909) 434-0460, or via e-mail at state.office@californiaknights.org.

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
SHINING ARMOR AWARD PROGRAM
QUALIFICATION SUBMITTAL FORM
COLUMBIAN YEAR 2015-2016**

Name: _____

Membership Number: _____

First Degree Date: _____

Third Degree Date: _____

New Member's Name: _____

Membership Number: _____

Date of First Degree: _____

If the Shining Armor Award qualifier is qualifying under the Existing Member Program (sponsoring two new members), please provide the following information for the second new member sponsored:

New Member's Name: _____

Membership Number: _____

Date of First Degree: _____

The following information is required in order to be eligible for appropriate recognition:

Council Number: _____

District Number: _____

District Deputy: _____

Chapter: _____

Supreme Insurance Field Agent: _____

Supreme Insurance General Agent: _____

Grand Knight's Printed Name & Signature: _____

Date Submitted/Received/Presented: _____/_____/_____

Submit completed form to:

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