

# Community Portfolio - 2018-2019

Presentation for DDs Meeting – Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 2019

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# Purposes

To provide an update since the last DDs meeting on 7 portfolios;

1. Basketball Free Throw,
  2. Soccer,
  3. The Ontario Substance Abuse Poster competition,
  4. Habitat For Humanity,
  5. Wheelchair,
  6. Coats For Kids,
  7. Hockey, and
- Share some good news on the Substance Abuse Poster competition,
  - Provide the winners of the 2018 soccer program,
  - Refine target dates for DD action items.

# 1 of 7: Basketball Free Throw

*Chairman Bro. Anthony Viresi*

- New State Chairman – Bro. Anthony Viresi,
- Program for 9 to 17 year-olds age to be engaged in a healthy competitive environment.
- BBFT 2018-2019 State manual was released in Fall 2018...State website has been updated with both English and French versions,
- Competition dates, zones and chairmen are contained in that manual.

# Basketball Free Throw Presentations

- State Deputy Dan and I made presentations for 3 international winners as follows:
  - Brayden Petrella (11 yrs) - had 25/25 baskets - in Bowmanville on October 5, 2018 (with DD Alphonse Ainsworth), and,
  - To Riley Andre and Jordan Franklin in Cornwall on October 19, 2018 (with Bro Joe Meehan),
  - State Secretary – Bro David Peters and Bro Anthony Viresi made a presentation to Marlorn Edquila on Nov. 2, 2018.

# 1 of 7 Basketball Free Throw (Cont'd)

*Chairman Bro. Anthony Viresi*

## **Action Items:**

1. Please help with the running of your upcoming Council, District and Regional BBFT competitions,
2. **Collect your medallions and trophies which are ready for distribution at this meeting.**

# Basketball Free Throw

## Important Dates

- **Councils** should complete their Free Throw Competition by **January 27, 2019...Council,**
- Participation Report (SO-FT-1) to District Deputy and Anthony Viresi by **January 27, 2019**
- District Deputies should have their Free Throw Competition by **February 17, 2019...District** Participation Report (SO-FT-2) to Anthony Viresi by **February 24, 2019**
- **Regional Level:** Regional Chairmen will need to have a location and date for the Regional Free Throws by the end of **October 2018.**

# Basketball Free Throw

## Important Dates

- Convene the **Regional** Free Throw Competitions by **March 9, 2019,**
- **Please** email info on the winners to Bro. Anthony by **March 11, 2019,**
- Ontario State Winners will be announced at the State Convention in **April 2019.**

## 2 of 7 - Soccer

*Chairman Bro. Peter Scott*

- Overall very low participation, Only Districts 8, 20, 21 and 103 ordered their FREE District medals through the Online Catalogue,
- Very few DDs participated in the survey in June 2018,
- Opportunity was given for Councils to conduct competitions in either spring or fall but not aware of any Spring competitions that resulted in District or Regional participation.



# Soccer (Cont'd)

- The only submission from a region that did not hold a competition, was District 20 Region 5,
- Participation in the SAFE Environment program was problematic,
- Winners - boys and girls 9-14 years old - are now available and will be distributed during this meeting. Thanks to Bro Peter Scott for running this program,

# 3 of 7 : Ontario Substance Abuse Poster Contest

*Chairman: Bro. Jean-Claude Legault*

- State has discontinued this program, however, Ontario has continued this program,
- Age extended to 17 years old,
- New guide, poster and forms in English and French have been sent to all DDs, **17 kits have been mailed,**
- Updates requesting additional participation were sent by email from the State Office in mid October 2018.

# We had **2017** International winners;

- **Catherine Masiazek**...State Deputy - Dan, Bro. JC Legault and I made a presentation to her on Oct. 5, 2018.

# 3 of 7 – Ontario Substance Abuse Poster Contest

*Chairman: Bro. Jean-Claude Legault*

- **Action Items: Please run competitions using the following deadlines:**
  - *Council: Feb. 01, 2019. **Councils which require “hard copy” of participation and winners certificates are to advise Bro. Jean-Claude Legault at [kofclegault@gmail.com](mailto:kofclegault@gmail.com)***
  - *District: March 01, 2019,*
  - *Regional: March 15, 2019,*

*The Ontario State Winners will be announced at the Ontario State Convention in April 2019.*

# 4 of 7 - Habitat For Humanity (*Helping Hands*)

*Chairman: SK Stephen Maloney*

- A Habitat for Humanity Home Build took place at; 4307 Locke Lane, Williamsburg on Oct. 6, 2018,
- Other good news stories are been requested,
- Donation of \$1000/Council or 200 hrs provides additional credits towards the “Star Council” award,
- Please promote this program in your councils.

# Helping Hands – Linked to Habitat For Humanity

- Designed to recognize the important work many councils already do to care for the most disadvantaged members of our communities – the homeless, the addicted, the elderly who may feel isolated and abandoned, and many others,
- Through this program, councils will aid the needy through the activities they feel best suit their community; soup kitchen, repairing the facilities of a local service organization or something entirely unique.

# Helping Hands – Linked to Habitat For Humanity

- The requirements for this program are very broad in order to allow councils to serve their community in whatever way is most needed,
- This is a required program which a council must conduct in the Community category to be eligible to receive the Columbian Award.

# 5 of 7 Wheelchair Program:

*Chairman: Bro Francisco Naar:*

- Bro. Francisco indicates that there is a new donation form downloadable from the Ontario State website to support this program,
- We are now fundraising for Costa Rica for 2020,
- The next container of wheelchairs will be delivered to Puerto Rico in February 2019. The situation - especially communications - is still very difficult after the hurricanes. This has affected the arrangements on time for next year - hence the change.



# 6 of 7 – Coats For Kids

*Chairman: Bro. Neil Bouvier*

- Program is now in full swing,
- Over 6,000 new winter coats purchased and distributed to school kids across Ontario in the past couple months,
- Success of the Ontario Coats for Kids program due to: the coordinated effort among the many councils, Grand Knights, District Deputies, State Board and the five General Agencies (Bouvier, Duval, Madore, Richer and Sangemino).

# Coats For Kids (Cont'd)

- In 2018, the Ontario Coats for Kids TV commercial was created (produced by Salt & Light TV)
- Please visit [www.OntarioCoatsforKids.com](http://www.OntarioCoatsforKids.com) to see the commercial and for recent news.
- Orders should have been placed by Oct. 31, 2018,
- *Bombardieri* of Hamilton is our supplier,
- Reminders;
  - Sent from State Office on Oct. 19, 2018,
  - “COATS 4 KIDS – Spreading the Warmth!” was released by email from the State Office on Nov. 9, 2018.

# Coats For Kids (Cont'd)

- In the fraternal year 2017-2018, we distributed approximately 5300 coats to needy children through our Ontario Coats for Kids Program,
- 41 boxes requested thus far from various councils,
- \$8860 were raised from personal donations and the Ottawa Race weekend.

# 7 of 7 - Hockey Challenge

*Chairman: Bro. Peter Scott*

- New program,
- Numbers of district, and regional medals are required,
- GKs ensure your DD knows you intend to participate,
- If you have no DD then contact [onstatehockey.kofc@gmail.com](mailto:onstatehockey.kofc@gmail.com) and let Pete Scott know your plans,
- DDs you can sign up for your District Medals at this meeting.

# Hockey Challenge (Cont'd)

- If you don't register you can still host a regional competition...there simply won't be medals ordered for you,
- Volunteers to host a Regional Challenge are welcome,
- All medals will be hand delivered at the State Convention Apr. 2019 in Niagara Falls,
- Hockey Package available in English or French at [www.kdknights.ca/reports](http://www.kdknights.ca/reports) and at [www.ontariokofc.ca](http://www.ontariokofc.ca)
- Dare to try something new!!!

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# Questions?