

Keep Christ in Christmas

BC AND YUKON STATE-WIDE CONTEST



ELIGIBILITY:

1. Open to all councils, any committee or individual Knight of Columbus, in our jurisdiction.
2. Any project that helps the goal of keeping or restoring Christ, front and centre, during the period around Christmas. A good example includes a nativity scene on private property, effectively situated for public display.
3. A report, if possible including pictures, should be submitted to the Grand Knight, preferably electronically indicating estimates of exposure and people involved (man-hours, etc).

CRITERIA FOR POINTS:

1. Physical display (ex. Nativity scene, sign, newspaper ad, bulletin announcements), Para liturgical gathering of people, sale of car magnets, stickers and pins, Christmas concert or play, etc.
2. It must be overtly Christian and associated with the Advent and Christmas liturgical seasons.
3. Number of people involved in producing the project, especially family members and youth in general.
4. Estimated number of people reached per day because of the project, directly or indirectly.
5. Visibility to the general public, and number of days displayed.

JUDGING: These are some

1. Grand Knight determines eligibility and chooses one winner from his council and then sends the report to his District Deputy.

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2. District Deputy chooses best overall for his district and sends the report to State Church Director.
3. From the reports received, a committee led by the State Church Director, will choose first overall, for BC and Yukon.
4. Projects submitted for this contest are eligible for state awards if reapplied prior to the state convention.
5. **Individual councils can forward reports directly to the church director if the district deputy is not involved for any reason**, but this is not the preferred method. Remember, there will be one winner per district and one overall, state winner.

TIMELINE:

1. Planning should begin during the summer or fall and construction (if needed) in the fall. Project begins with Advent (Sunday December 3, 2017)
2. Report of project to Grand Knight by the end of the second week in Advent (Saturday December 16, 2017).
3. Reports sent to District Deputy during the third week in Advent.
4. Submission of district winners to State Church Director by December 26, 2017 (preferably by email). Submissions deadline Jan. 7, 2018
5. Judging by committee on or around the Baptism of the Lord (January 8, 2018).

RECOGNITION OF EFFORT:

1. Grand Knight should present a certificate of merit for each entry received.
2. State wide winner: Trophy and plaque for first place.
3. Certificates can be ordered from Supreme or provided by State through District Deputies, or ordered by financial secretary.

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4. Trophy and plaques will be presented at the State Convention in April of 2018.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2017, 2018

1. First Sunday in Advent: Sunday December 3, 2017
2. Third Sunday in Advent: Sunday December 17, 2017
3. Saturday January 6, 2018: Deadline for contest submissions
4. Baptism of the Lord: Monday January 8, 2018

