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**2017 PA State
Squires Convention
Harrisburg, PA**

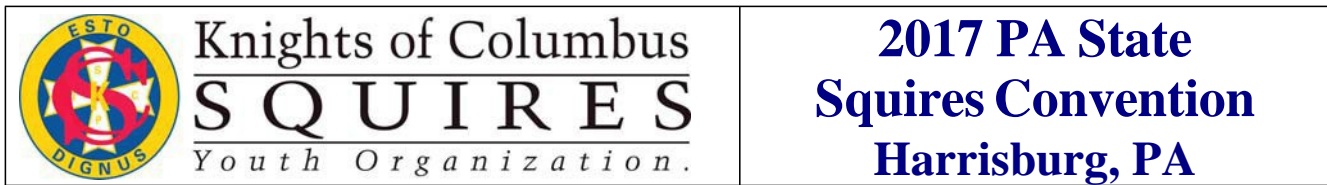
Attention Squires!!

*Join us for the
60th Annual
Pennsylvania State
Squires Convention
April 21-23, 2017*



Pennsylvania Squires; Catholic, Pro-Life ALWAYS

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January 31, 2017

Dear Pennsylvania Columbian Squires and Counselors,

The Pennsylvania State Squires Convention will be held again in Harrisburg this year on April 21-23, 2017. The theme for the convention is "**Squires, A New Beginning.**"

The PA State Squires Circle is inviting ALL Pennsylvania Squires and Counselors to attend the event hosted by the Squires of the Harrisburg Diocese on the campus of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton (<http://www.steas-mech.org>) parish in Mechanicsburg, PA. The State Squires are hoping for **record participation** this year from the Squire Circles across Pennsylvania.

A program of activities has again been planned to provide Squires of all ages an opportunity to meet other Squires and make friends from around the state, hear what other circles are doing, develop leadership skills, and take part in the annual business meeting of the PA State Squire Circle where state programs will be discussed and new state officers will be elected.

Workshops will again be offered to all participants and there will also be time on Saturday for recreation with your fellow Squires and opportunity to play a friendly game or two.

Please review the proposed schedule, read the enclosed information carefully and complete all required forms. This convention information is also posted on the Squires page of the PA KofC website at:

http://www.pakofc.us/programs/youth/squires/docs/convention_call/PASateSquiresConvention2017Packet.pdf

Please make copies of all forms as needed and share the invitation with everyone in your circle. There is no limit to the number that can participate from each circle.

There will be no charge to attendees for the convention this year. Since funding will be provided in part by the proceeds of the convention program booklet, all circles and sponsoring councils and assemblies are encouraged to support the convention by obtaining ads in the convention program. Additionally, if needed, overnight accommodation will be provided at the nearby Hampton Inn for two delegates from each circle if registered with me by March 10, 2017. Room credits for overnight accommodation for Squires and counselors can be obtained by advertising in the convention program book – see form and page on accommodations.

Circle counselors are encouraged to act immediately AND identify the two delegates who will represent their circles at the convention as soon as possible and **make reservations by March 10**, especially if they require overnight accommodations. Counselors are also asked to coordinate all other participation from their circles and help submit all registration forms.

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Registration and Parent/Guardian Authorization Forms should be completed and mailed to reach us by the pre-registration deadline of Saturday April 1, 2017. Mail to: Michael Yakubick, 561 Brighton Place, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. Your registration form can also be scanned and e-mailed to CENTRALPASQUIRES@AOL.COM All other forms EXCEPT the scholarship application can be brought with you to the convention. Each Squire in attendance will receive a convention packet and a commemorative gift.

The State Circle is once again conducting an essay contest and awarding a scholarship. See the enclosed forms and detailed instructions. Squires seeking nomination to a State Office should complete and present their 'Officer Candidate Questionnaire' when they arrive.

Dress codes for the weekend are casual. All officers and especially those seeking an office must bring a tie for Saturday evening Mass and the award ceremony that will follow.

Please feel free to contact Michael Yakubick, Greg Mikolajczak or Dr. Walt Zimmerman with any questions; their information is provided below.

Your State Circle is working to make this year's PA State Squires Convention another great experience for all who attend. Join us - we hope to see you there!

Esto Dignus!

PA State Squires Circle

Convention Contacts	
<p>Registration, Accommodations Essays & Scholarship Entries</p> <p>Registration forms can be scanned and e-mailed to: Centralpasquires@aol.com</p>	<p>Michael Yakubick State Youth and Squires Director 561 Brighton Place Mechanicsburg, PA 17055. 717-329-2725 Centralpasquires@aol.com</p>
<p>Program Ads</p>	<p>Greg Mikolajczak 461 Quiggley Circle Mechanicsburg, PA 17055 717-645-2208 dduck668@msn.com</p>
<p>Officer Nominations, Field Trip</p>	<p>Dr. Walt Zimmerman 500 Roosevelt Avenue York, PA 17404 717-854-4114 annszim@comcast.net</p>

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Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday April 21st

Early Bird Arrival for Travelers

8-9 PM Arrival at Hotel

9 PM Night Prayer – Father Prior Father Ed (Hotel)

- Informal welcome, review of goals and agenda – Nick Bratina, SCS
- Pizza, snacks and fellowship

10 PM Confessions - Father Ed

- 11 PM Retire to Rooms

Saturday April 22nd

7 to 8:30AM Breakfast at the Hotel for those arriving Friday Evening

8:30 to 9AM Registration (SEAS, 310 Hertzler Rd, Mechanicsburg, 17055)

9AM Morning Prayer - Father Prior Father Ed.

Welcome – Mr. Mikolajczak

- Introduction of dignitaries, counselors, and guests

Open Convention and General Meeting - State Officers

- Roll Call of Circles – *Bring your Circle Banners!!*
- Chairman's Report – Mr. Yakubick
- State Program Reports
- Report of Activities - All Circles in Attendance
- 1st Reading of Officer Nominations
- Suspend Meeting

12PM Angelus, Grace and Lunch (Cafeteria)



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Saturday April 22nd

- 1 PM Q & A with Seminarians and State Father Prior
Workshops and breakout sessions
- WORKSHOP I
 - Counselors Meeting
- 4:00 PM Reconvene General Meeting - State Officers
- Final Reading of Nominations and Election
 - Close Business Meeting - Nicholas Bratina, SCS
- 5:00 PM Mass
- 6:15 PM Installation of Officers and Awards Presentation Banquet
- ~ 9 PM Free time and recreation / Officers Meeting (TBA) 10 PM
Night Prayer – Father Prior ... Depart for Hotel

Sunday April 23rd

- 7-9 AM Breakfast (Hampton Inn)
- 9:45 AM To be announced prior to Convention
- ~1PM Depart for Home



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Pennsylvania State Squires Convention Registration and Parent/Guardian Authorization

Squire Name: _____ Age: _____

Circle Name and Location: _____

Circle Number: _____

Circle Delegate: _____(Y/N) Need Overnight Accommodations: _____(Y/N)

I hereby approve my son's attendance and participation in the 2017 PA State Squires Convention to be conducted at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishes in Mechanicsburg, PA. I certify that he is in good health and able to participate in this program.

If you are unable to reach me, I authorize my son's counselor or the convention directors to act on my behalf according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention for which service I will pay.

I hereby waive and forever release the Knights of Columbus, Columbian Squires, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parishes and the Diocese of Harrisburg, and all organizers and staff from all liability for any injuries incurred while participating in this program.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

NOTE:

A copy of this form will be kept at the convention site in case of an emergency. Please complete.

Mother/Female Guardian Name: _____


Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Father/Male Guardian Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Special Needs or Conditions: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy Number _____

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State Circle Essay Contest

Entries are now being accepted for the annual Pennsylvania State Circle Essay Contest which is open to all Squires Ages 10 to 18 from the State of Pennsylvania. The contest winner will receive a \$300 cash award and will be named at the PA State Squires Convention, April 21-23, 2017. You do not need to be present at the convention to win.

Entrants must complete the Entry Form below and an essay on the topic: ***“Why I joined and remain a Columbian Squire.”*** The essay must be between 500 and 550 words, typed and double spaced. No name or personal information can appear on any of the pages.

Convention attendees can turn in their forms and essays at the registration table at the PA State Squires Convention on Saturday, April 22, 2017. All other entries must be received or postmarked by Wednesday, April 15, 2017 and sent to:

Michael Yakubick
State Youth & Squires Director
561 Brighton Place
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Entries cannot be considered if information is missing or if the above guidelines are not followed. Questions should be directed to Michael Yakubick at (717) 329-2725 or at CentralPaSquires@aol.com

----- ESSAY CONTEST ENTRY FORM -----

I wish to enter the PA STATE CIRCLE ESSAY CONTEST. I realize my entry becomes the property of the Knights of Columbus.

Name of Entrant: _____ Date of Birth: _____


Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Signature of Entrant: _____

Circle Name and Number: _____

I approve and give my permission for the entrant to participate in the PA STATE CIRCLE ESSAY CONTEST:

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____

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Charles J. Frank Sr. Memorial Scholarship

Applications are now being accepted for the 2017 Pennsylvania State Circle “Charles J. Frank Sr. Memorial Scholarship.” This \$500 scholarship is for graduating high school Squires in the State of Pennsylvania and is named in honor of Former State Squires Chairman Charles J. Frank Sr., in recognition of his dedication and service to the Columbian Squires and the Pennsylvania State Circle. The recipient of this scholarship will be named at the Annual PA State Squires Convention April 21-23, 2017. Applicants do not need to be present at the convention to win.

Applicants must complete the application form below and an essay on the topic: ***“What being a Columbian Squire has meant to me.”*** The essay must be between 500 and 550 words, typed and double spaced. No name or personal information can appear on any of the pages.

Applications and essays for this scholarship must be received or postmarked by **Saturday, April 1, 2017** and sent to:

Michael Yakubick
State Youth & Squires Director
561 Brighton Place,
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

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----- APPLICATION FORM -----

Applicant Name: _____ High School _____ Graduation _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

High School _____ Name _____ and _____ Address: _____

_____ Circle Name and Number: _____

Years a Squire: _____ Knight of Columbus? _____ (Y/N) If so, what degree? _____

Offices \ positions \ SAP rank held: _____

_____ Applicant Signature: _____

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Officer Candidate Questionnaire

This form must be filled out by any Squire seeking nomination to a State Office for the upcoming term (2017–2018):

Squire Name: _____

Address: _____

Circle Name and Number: _____

Years You Have Been a Squire: _____ Telephone: _____

E- Mail Address: _____

State Office you are interested in: _____
 Chief Squire, Deputy Chief Squire, Notary, Bursar, Marshal, Sentry

Write a brief essay about why you feel you are qualified for this position and how you think you can improve or complement our State Circle.

All candidates will be interviewed at the Convention before Elections.



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Overnight Accommodations

The State Circle has negotiated a contract with Hampton Inn at Mechanicsburg concerning overnight accommodations.

Hampton Inn Harrisburg West
4950 Ritter Road
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
717-691-1300 FAX 717-691-9692



In order to receive the room rate and to meet our contractual obligation, **rooms MUST BE RESERVED BY MARCH 10TH**. Rooms must be reserved by calling 717-329-2725 or e-mail Centralpasquires@aol.com. The motel will require a credit card for incidentals. **DO NOT CONTACT THE MOTEL TO RESERVE A ROOM YOU WILL NOT BE REIMBURSED.**

Earn Room Credit with Program Ads: The cost of the rooms can be offset by advertisements in the Convention Book. Each Circle will receive **ONE** guest room credit for each **\$200** in **advertising** it obtains for the convention program booklet. The form for purchasing a program ad is included in this packet.

There is no limit to guests attending the convention. There will be TWO Squires assigned per room, unless family members attend.



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<p>Half Page (1/2)</p> <p>\$50.00 (COMMERCIAL)</p> <p>\$35.00 (COUNCIL/ASSEMBLY)</p> <p>3-3/4 X 5</p>	<p>Full Page</p> <p>\$100.00 (COMMERCIAL)</p> <p>\$50.00 (COUNCIL/ASSEMBLY)</p> <p>7-1/2 X 5</p>
<p>Quarter Page (1/8) \$25.00</p> <p>1-7/8 X 5</p>	

Program Ad Deadline: April 3, 2017

I (we) authorize the placement of a _____ page Ad at a cost of \$ _____ in the 2017 PA State Squires Convention Program Booklet per the attached camera-ready copy.

Signature _____ Date _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____

(In case of any questions)

Please enclose your message, 'Camera Ready Ad', or scanned ad in PDF format with your payment and make checks payable to:

"PA State Squires" and note **"2017 Squires Program"** on the Memo line.

Please mail checks and forms to:

PA State Squires Circle
c/o Greg Mikolajczak
461 Quiggley Circle
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
dduck668@msn.com