

There were 5 applicants for the 2017 Emerging Leader Service Award. After reviewing the online applications, each of the 12 Emerging Leader liaisons, representing both knights and ladies divisions in all six districts/states had an opportunity to evaluate each nominee based on the following criteria: (1) service to the church, (2) service to our youth (junior division), (3) and service to our Noble Order.

The 2017 Emerging Leader Service Award recipient is: **Knight Rogers Griffin of Council #49 (Breux Bridge, LA)**

*No recommendations

Collegiate Unit Initiative

Projected date/location for establishment

- November 2017
- Xavier University, Louisiana
Club v. Organization
- Both to be established. The club will be open to both Catholics and Non-Catholics – in compliance with Xavier University regulations – thus allowing it to receive student group funding. The organizational unit will be exclusively Catholic and the official Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary subordinate unit.

Insurance Policy – Optional, but available

Dues

- There will be a dues structure set in place offering membership classes that do and don't include insurance or premiums.
- Dues will range between \$24-\$36 per year without insurance PLUS any locally levied unit dues
Branding/marketing strategy
- Reached out to former Jr. Knights and Jr. Daughters who attend or attended Xavier University in regards to potential membership
KPC members database of XULA/surrounding campuses students
- KPC Database of XULA campus students has been utilized for initial outreach
- Possibility of obtaining/utilizing database of surrounding campuses' students
Met with and received buy-ins from
- Dr. C. Reynold Verret, President of Xavier University of Louisiana
- Etido Jerome, S.S.J., Director of Campus Ministry

Recommendations:

1. Continue the preliminary work with XULA and KPC officials to collect database of past juniors that attend Xavier University and surrounding colleges/universities in New Orleans to survey for potential membership
2. Establish a task force amongst emerging leaders to create programs that college units may adopt in order to sustain programmatic activity throughout the year
3. Create training modules for college unit leadership/members
4. Assign a council and court nearby to have oversight over the collegiate council and court; however, this unit will only oversee the activities of the collegiate unit, but will not participate in the administrative duties or leadership roles of the council and/or court.