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Free Throw Championship

As in years past, the State Free Throw Championship was held at the Old Town High School Gym. 9 thru 14 year old boys and girls from all over Maine compete for the “Gold Ball” trophy and the title of their respective age group. In order for these kids to come to “State” they already won at the “Council” level and “District” level.



Each of the 100+ participants received a 2017 T-Shirt & although none of them won the Gold Ball, the winners of each age and gender did receive a basketball as a trophy.

Surge with Service Judging

After the State Free Throw is the judging of projects local councils submitted to the State Program Director. Held at the Black Bear Inn, this process takes several hours and usually runs late into the evening.



The six directors reviewed and rated the submissions per category (Church, Community, Council, Family Life, Youth and Pro-Life).

“State Family of the Year” is determined first, followed by the Supreme Award & two winners in both “Division A” and “Division B” until all six categories are decided. The “Ron Cote” Award (most unique activity) is next; followed by Most Outstanding Council in both divisions. 34 awards will be determined by the end of the day.

NOTE: In recognition of being selected as State Family of the Year, the Knight and his family receive an invitation to the Annual State Convention in Sunday River as guests of the Maine State Council.

State Officer Budget Review

While the Program Directors are judging, the State Officers gathered in the State Deputy’s room to review the financial status of the State Council. During their “several-hour” session, the officers drafted the 2017-2018 Per Capita budget based on the 01 March 2017 membership roster; & determined the recipients of the State allocated 20% of the Tootsie Roll monies.



Also, the officers reviewed and rated the Charity Fund entries in preparation of the delegate vote for the Convention, and discussed some issues the officers have been working on during their tenure.



The State Officers, their wives and wives of the Directors took a “time out” and ate at Margarita’s. Thank you to State Deputy Norm and wife Kay for a very productive weekend. Looking forward to the Convention!!