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The Knights of Columbus established a Military Chaplain's Scholarship to help fund the education of seminarians preparing to Catholic chaplains in the U.S. Armed Forces. Through the Knights program, the military archdiocese contracts with each participating diocese to fund 50 percent of the cost of seminarian's five-year education – typically \$20,000 per year. In return, the candidate agrees that, following ordination and three years of service at the parish, he will commit to serve as a military chaplain under auspices of the military archdiocese for a minimum of three to five years.

Our goal in Iowa is to raise \$20,000 over a 5 year period to fund this program. So far we have risen over \$10,000 dollars. We thank the councils, assemblies and individuals for making this contribution. **We would like to thank the following for their contributions: Assembly 274 Emmetsburg, Assembly 3030 Des Moines, Assembly 3088 LeMars, Assembly 3265 Ankeny, Council 8702 Osceola, Council 13159 Des Moines, Cash Donation from Fr. Kenkel, Assembly 263 Dowling DSM, Assembly 277 Defiance, Council 3905 Houghton, Council 11222 Preston, Council 4236 LaMotte, Council 5389 Des Moines, Council 8269 Maquoketa, Council 7556 Norwalk, Assembly 2610 Algona, Assembly 3179 Cedar Rapids, Assembly 3291 Iowa City, Assembly 3378 Granger, Council 12130 Granger, Council 13109 Altoona, Assembly 274 Emmetsburg, State Master Account, and Assembly 1941 Victor.**

We will continue with the statewide campaign and offer each council and assembly the opportunity to become part of this by hosting an event or simply making a donation to the program. Please make checks payable to the Knights of Columbus. In the Memo area, write: Military Scholarship. Please send all checks to me, Pat O'Keefe, District Master, 3923 77th Street, Urbandale, IA, 50322. I will then send the donations to Vice Supreme Master Ken Kingman for the Iowa Jurisdiction.