The IRA Charitable provision will likely be extremely popular in 2018 as a result of new tax laws. Individuals 70 ½ years old are allowed to make up to $100,000 in qualified charitable distributions from their Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) without including the distribution in their federal income each year.

The Kuemper Catholic School Foundation is a qualified charity that is recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service. Transfers to the Kuemper Foundation will continue to be deemed as part of the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) calculation that is required for taxpayers when they attain the age 70 ½ and own IRAs.

Contact your tax advisor and/or financial planner to determine how this law could affect your current individual income tax and/or your long-term estate planning situation.

Want to make a difference for Catholic education? Complete and return the enclosed envelope. It's easy!

As products of Catholic Education, as parents of Kuemper students, and as grandparents of Kuemper students, we marvel at the level of commitment we continually see. The staff, educators, and administration have consistently instilled in our students a quality education in a faith-based community. The “Spirit” that abounds in our educational facilities will profoundly benefit our students in all of their future pursuits. Kuemper has been one of the driving forces for making the Carroll Community a great place to live.

We must maintain that “Spirit” by stepping forward with our time, our talent, and our treasure.

Jim and Peggy White, Jim, Kuemper Class of 1969

My thanks to Kuemper...

Fr. Brown is fondly remembered as a great teacher at many Diocesan schools— including Kuemper — while also serving as a local pastor in several parishes. He was a wise organizer and took advantage of two annuities during his lifetime in remembering Kuemper in his estate plans. His generous gift will ensure the future of the Teacher Salary Enhancement Fund and Kuemper Foundation. Include the Kuemper Foundation in your will or estate plan. Contact your attorney, financial advisor or the Kuemper Foundation to learn how.


Dear Graduate, before you leave...

For they are the seed we sow with God. Sow Seeds to Whom God Says to Sow. Sow your seeds in the fields of hope and love. Wherever you go, you will not be alone. Your presence is a light in this world. The sun of the Lord has risen on you...

The GOOD NEWS at Kuemper

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...if you eat a hundred people, then feed just one.

- Mother Teresa

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Eternal Knights are those visionary friends who have made the ultimate expression of their faith in Catholic education by remembering Kuemper in their estate plans.

We thank everyone who has notified us of gifts they are making through their wills or other estate plans to continue Kuemper’s mission, traditions and core values for the future.

If you have included a gift for Kuemper in your plans but are not a member of this growing group of Eternal Knights, we invite you to let us know by calling Sharon Olerich (at 712) 794-1877 or emailing srolerich@kuemper.org.


Remember Kuemper and your church in your Will.

Why I Became An Eternal Knight……

“We joined the group because we felt it was the right thing to do. We believe Kuemper gives a well-rounded academic and spiritual education. We think the only way for that to continue at a reasonable cost to young families is for the school to receive donations.”

“Why become an Eternal Knight now? This saying answers that question: ‘I shall pass this way but once. Any good that I can do or any kindness that I can show, let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.’”

Chuck and Mary (Sander) Thatcher
Mary, Kuemper Class of 1970

“As Kuemper alumni, we are proud to be Kuemper Eternal Knights! Our parents were the foundation on which Kuemper was built. Our wish is to help insure that the Kuemper tradition of excellence continues for generations to come!”

Pat (Pietig) and Tom Louis
Pat, Kuemper Class of 1967 & Tom, 1966

Eternal Knights

Plan Now, Give Later!

Plan for your Future and the Future of Catholic Education

A gift that costs nothing during your lifetime is easy and simple to plan now. This planning will create a gift and leave a legacy at Kuemper in the future. A bequest is a testamentary gift (or gift received after death) generally received through a donor’s Will or other estate-planning documents. A small gift today can make a big impact tomorrow! If you are unsure about your next steps, here are a few ideas …...

-- Retirement Plan Designations such as your IRA, Annuities, and Life Insurance policies, may list Kuemper Catholic School Foundation as the partial or whole beneficiary of the plan. This may help avoid heavy taxation at death and give tax-advantaged assets to your heirs!
-- Percentage Request may include a particular percentage of the remainder of an estate to the KCSF. Even one percent matters! One percent will make a difference that will impact future generations.
-- General Bequest designates a specific amount to the Kuemper Catholic School Foundation.
-- Residuary Bequest would include all the remainder of an estate to the Kuemper Catholic School Foundation.
-- Specific Bequests would include a complete description of real estate property to Kuemper Catholic School Foundation.
-- Certificates of Deposit would name KCSF as the beneficiary upon your death.

Anyone can extend your support to Kuemper into the future with a gift in your Will or estate plans!

Feel free to call the Kuemper Development Office (712) 794-1877 about including Kuemper in your estate plans or with any questions you may have. Always consult and verify tax implications with your attorney and/or financial advisors.

GIFT ANNUITY RATES INCREASE

Extend Your Support for Kuemper Students Beyond Your Lifetime!

Effective July 1, 2018 the Charitable Gift Annuity rates have increased! Charitable Gift Annuities are gifts that produce income for you at attractive rates. Fixed payments with tax advantages can be the rewarding outcome for you during your lifetime. After that time, the remaining assets support Kuemper students.

You can benefit from popular gift annuities

AGE RATE
65 5.1%
70 5.6%
75 6.2%
80 7.3%
85 8.3%
90+ 9.5%

"There are many rewards for including the Kuemper Schools in my estate plans. My gift annuity has a favorable rate of return. I made the decision of knowing I made a conscious decision to provide future financial support for the school.”

-- Vern Henkenius, Urbana

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WELCOME TO THE KNIGHTLIGHT

"We make a living by what we do. We make a life by what we give." -- Winston S. Churchill

GRADUATION – The Gift of a Catholic Education

Grace Duncan, Valedictorian of the 2018 KHS Graduating Class, and Taylor Promes, Salutatorian, share their appreciation for all the support received over the past 13 years at Kuemper.

“If there’s one thing I definitely learned in high school, it’s that God has an amazing plan for each of our lives. It’s going to be challenging moving into new stages, and not everything is going to be perfect, but I can promise you one thing, that God’s got you through it all.”

Grace Duncan, 2018 Valedictorian

“I can proudly say that if I were to put my money on anything, it’s that each and every one of you are going to move mountains. No matter how big or how small, I promise you that. You don’t realize it now, but we have grown and learned so much from each other. There will be so many more opportunities to enjoy and mountains that we’ll be forced to move after we graduate here today. Time has come for big things to happen because your mountain out there is waiting to be moved.”

Taylor Promes, 2018 Salutatorian

Graduation is a special time as graduates go out into the world. On graduation day, powerful symbols of the past, present and future occur in one stroll across the Kuemper gym beginning with seniors holding Fr. Kuemper’s pocket watch in reflection on their time at Kuemper - the past; then proceeding to the stage to receive their Kuemper diploma - the present; and then receiving their carnation from a Kuemper alumni welcoming them as the newest members of the Kuemper Alumni Family - the future.

President John Stoffes reflects on Fr. Kuemper’s watch and Samantha Schmitz holds Fr. Kuemper’s watch at the graduation ceremony.

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