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MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL



82nd ANNUAL

State Convention

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE
82ND ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION
MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Friday April 25, 1986

The 82nd Annual State Convention of the Mississippi State Council, Knights of Columbus was convened at 6:00 p.m. with State Deputy Waley Price, Jr. calling the meeting to order. After the open prayer and pledge of allegiance to our flag, convention chairman, Joseph Goellner, Sr. introduced Mayor Dank's assistant who welcomed the Knights of Columbus to the city of Jackson.

State Secretary Dennis E. Ladnier, Sr. responded on behalf of the State Council after which State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. officially called the convention to order.

State Warden Marvin Lott checked travel cards and vouched that only qualified Third Degree members were present.

The delegates voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1985 State Convention on a proper motion and seconded. The minutes were then passed out to all the delegates in attendance. State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. appointed the following convention committees and asked that they meet and report in writing at the appropriate times during the convention. The committees were as follows.

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Committee Appointments

The committees listed below are appointed to assist in the work of the convention. In each case the bold faced name, appearing first, will serve as chairman. Except for the Credential Committees and the Tellers, all committees are expected to meet at the adjournment of the Second Business Session on Saturday, April 26, 1986, at place designated by the Chairman. Each committee except the tellers will make a written and oral report to the Convention when called upon. In the event a delegate is not present, then his council's alternate will be expected to serve in his place.

1. **CREDENTIALS:** Dennis Ladnier, Sr.; Joseph Miller; Gerald Rose; Leon Shapley; Bernard Theobald
2. **MILEAGE & PER DIEM:** Joseph Goellner, Sr.; Richard Hollingsworth; Mark Blackmon; Robert Lambert; Alfred McDevitt
3. **RESOLUTIONS:** Daniel Farrell; Robert Fratesi, PSD; Fred Westbrook, Jr., PSD; John Smith; Albert Rocconi, Jr.
4. **STATE K OF C AUDIT:** John Myers, PSD; Ken Lubbers; Gene Ingram; Joseph Bondiglio; Charles Mink
5. **K OF C FOUNDATION AUDIT:** Same as #4.
6. **ELECTIONS TELLERS:** Hilton Seymour, PSD; Norman Kiehm, PSD; Jessie Quinn, PSD
7. **GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Dave Atteberry, PSD; A.T. Huyett; James Dunigan; Fred Ward; Joseph Burke

8. CEREMONIALS: John Cox; Hilton Seymour, PSD; Larry Muffley;
Wayne Pittman

9. PUBLIC RELATIONS: Larry Campbell; Marvin Lott; Robert Hubbard, III; Gary Gainspoett;
John Krumpas

10. MEMBERSHIP: Rodney Sandoz, PSD; Dale Tackett; Joseph Furlan; Frank Nieneyer, Jr.;
Robert Foster

11. STATE CONVENTION: John Maloney; Henry Kajdan; Freddie Callegan; Charles Collins;
Joseph Goellner, Sr.

12. SERVICE PROGRAM: Thomas Zettler; John Szymonik, George Harrison; Emile Vial;
Donny Whitten; Charles Harmon, Jr.; Carl Arnold; Anthony Santucci;
Joseph Ladner; David Davis; Claude Vinson, Sr.; Edward Warner;
Clarence Huston; J.P. Casse Thompson; Charles Carr; Steve Symbality;
Lloyd Taylor; Charles Marino; Clarence Beech

The State Deputy then called for all Grand Knights' reports to be turned in that had not been previously mailed before the deadline.

State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. then introduced our guest from Supreme Council, Edward L. Nutter, Agency Director.

After announcements were made that was related to the evenings activities, the meeting was closed with a prayer.

MSR. JOHN J. BURNS COUNCIL 802
MERIDIAN
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Officers elected for 1985-86 were as follows:

Chaplain	Fr. Brian Carroll
	Fr. Anthony Quyet
Grand Knight	Tom Zettler
Deputy Grand Knight	Jack Schons
Chancellor	Jack Collins
Financial Secretary	George Walston
Recorder	John Griffith
Warden	Gary Benton
Treasurer	Paul Lampton
Lecturer	John Bennett
Advocate	Mouise Richards
Inside Guard	Paul Carpenter
Outside Guard	James Hagan
3 Year Trustee	Luis Borrell
2 Year Trustee	Andrew Thomas
1 Year Trustee	Joe Gomez

The Council develops a program for the coming year and this was done to facilitate the accomplishment of our various events.

Brother John Bennett served as the General Program Chairman and supervised the following activities:

Church Activities: Chairman - Chris Brown/Tom Zettler

First Communion breakfast; quarterly corporate communions; tithing to St. Joseph and St. Patrick Churches; deceased members Mass; hosted parish pot-luck dinner; rosary after meetings in October; "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard; gifts to the religious of the parish; Holy Thursday vigil; Confirmation gifts and reception; donations to Saltillo Mission, Priest Education Fund, Institute on Religious Life and others.

Council Activities: Chairman - Gary Benton

Knight of the Month, Knight of the Quarter and Knight of the Year program; recognition banquet; July 4th picnic; hosted State Officer's installation; pool party; health program; pool tournament; Columbus Day dinner; Insurance night; New Year's steak feast; blood donor drive; Thank-you ladies night.

Community Activities: Chairman - Luis Borrell

Monthly visitation to East Mississippi State Hospital; donations of time and money to LOVE kitchen; Salvation Army bell ringers; Msgr. John J. Burns Award for community service; booth at city-wide drug awareness fair; Tootsie Roll drive.

Family Activities: Chairman - John Griffith

Easter egg hunt; boy/girl's State program; Close-up and Band Booster donations to Meridian High School; Meridian Junior College scholarships; High school graduation breakfast; altar boy picnic; free throw contest; school booster contest; support of CYO; parent-teen awareness program.

These are but some of the activities of our Council. We continue to provide support through manpower and monetary means to all facets of our Parish and community.

A special word of thanks to Father Brian Carroll who served as our Chaplain for the past ten years. We wish him well in his new parish.

It is indeed a pleasure to serve as the Grand Knight of the oldest, and best, Council in the State.

COUNCIL 848
JACKSON
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL 898
VICKSBURG
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL 1034
NATCHEZ
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL 1244
BILOXI
GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

On July 11, 1985, the officers of the council were duly installed by Harry L. Steinwinder, Worthy District Deputy at a meeting for members, their families and friends of the council. Hilton Seymour, Past State Deputy, assisted.

Chaplain	Msgr. John O'Reilly
Grand Knight	Mark S. Blackmon
Deputy Grand Knight	Bob Fell
Chancellor	Kenneth Lamey
Advocate	George Simon
Recorder	Michael Arguelles
Warden	John Cruso, Jr.
Treasurer	Charles T. Harrison
Financial Secretary	Harry L. Steinwinder
Lecturer	Hilton Seymour
Inside Guard	Gerald Darnell
Outside Guard	Jimmy James
Trustees	Frank Tarrant
	Ross Bertucci
	Gerald Rose

Deputy Grand Knight, Bob Fell served as General Program Director with activities directors. He supervised and carried out the following activities:

Church: Forrest Taylor, Director

(1) Donated \$25 to Christ the King Parish's Dinner and members provided help in putting on the event. (2) Members provided help in putting on the annual Sacred Heart Parish of N. Biloxi Bazaar. (3) Many members of the council serve their parishes as lecturers, ministers of the Host, parish council, and CCD teachers. (4) On Aug. 29th, 1985, the council held a corporated communion at St. Louis Parish for members and their families. A champagne breakfast was held afterwards at the council's home. (5) Members assisted at the Bishop's Cross on Sept. 22nd, 1985. (6) Provided a donation and assistance at the Nativity School Carnival. (7) Members provided help at the Fatima Parish Meatball Dinner. (8) On Nov. 21st, 1985, the council held its annual Memorial Service for the deceased members. The main celebrant was Bishop Joseph Howze with Msgr. John O'Reilly and Father Francis Ferrill as co-celebrants. (9) Under the Good of the Order in each meeting about 5 minutes or more is taken, where the Chaplain gives a few minutes of meditation and prayer. Usually he tells a story or reads a part of scripture. At the close of all of our meetings, we pray for our sick and deceased Brothers and their families.

Council: Steve Ferrill, Director

(1) Biloxi Council sponsored two teams in the State Softball Tournament. (2) Held the 2nd Annual Golf Tournament. Over \$500 was raised for the Priest Education Fund. Over 70 duffers tried to shoot a low score. (3) Held a Knight of the Quarter program. Mark Creech received the award third quarter. (4) On Dec. 14th, 1985, a Christmas dance was held for members. Canned goods were collected for baskets to the needy. (5) Held a Knight of the Quarter program. Freddie Steinwinder, Sr. received the award for the fourth quarter. (6) After this year's annual Shrimp Bowl Classic, a Shrimp buffet was held at the council home to honor all those who worked so hard in putting on the annual event. (7) Council bulletins were published monthly. The council purchased their own copier, which cut down the cost of putting the bulletin out. (8) Sponsored a Ladies Auxillary. (9) Sponsored a 52 Week Bonanza drawing to help raise monies for the council. Over \$10,000 was raised.

Community: Craig Poulos, Director

(1) Nov. 16, 1985, the council sponsored the 46th Annual Shrimp Bowl Classic. All the proceeds went to the Biloxi Doll & Toy Fund and seven St. Vincent dePaul groups to help the needy of the area. (2) The Biloxi Knights of Columbus has articles appearing daily and weekly in the local newspapers and the Gulf Pine Catholic. (3) The council delivered 14 Christmas baskets to needy families on Dec. 22, 1985. (4) On Dec. 21st, 1985, the council distributed its annual Christmas gifts of ham and turkeys to the nuns, brothers and priests of the area. (5) Put on the annual New Year's Eve Dance at the local community center. (6) Presented the annual Mr. Biloxian Award to Harry L. Steinwinder during ceremonies held Aug. 22, 1985.

Family: James Rigby, Director

(1) On July 28, 1985 the council held its annual family picnic at Tullis Manor. Games were played and enjoyed by nearly 150 people. (2) Biloxi Council participated in this year's Family of the Month Program. (3) Held an open house on Mardi Gras day so that members and their families could rest and relax between parades.

Youth: John Cruso, Director

(1) Biloxi Council sponsored a team in the local Little League Program. (2) Sponsored Boy Scout Troop 213 for the 53rd year. (3) Sponsored the Kline Coquet Columbia Squire Circle. (4) Donated \$25.00 to the Babe Ruth League. (5) Held the annual Halloween Party on Oct. 31st, 1985. Over 70 children enjoyed the spirit of Christmas and got a chance to speak to Santa.

(7) On March 29, 1986, the council grounds was the site of the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Party. Some 60 children tried to find the golden egg. (8) Held the Free Throw contest during Mercy Cross High School Fun Day. Members also assisted Mercy Cross in the Fun Day program. (9) Provided religion awards for Mercy Cross High Award Day. (10) Sponsored a boy to Boys State and a girl to Girls State. (11) Sponsored an ad in the local CYO Convention Program.

Membership: Phillip Levene, Director

(1) Biloxi Council held First Degrees on July 25, Aug. 29 and Dec. 19, 1985 and Jan. 30 and Feb 27, 1986. More than 10 new Knights joined our ranks. (2) Members listened to a tape on membership recruitment from Virgil Dechant, Supreme Knight. (3) Held an Open House for new candidates on Feb. 23, 1986. (4) Our Formation Degree Team participated in degree works in Vicksburg, Miss. on Nov. 3, 1985 and in Gulfport, Miss. on March 3, 1986. (5) During the year the council was saddened with the loss of the following Brothers: Edward Kersh, Sr., Chester Wescovich, Sr., Gen. John O'Keefe, John Collins, Walter Ross, Jr., and John Bertucci.

In conclusion, I would like to add that the Biloxi Council suffer with the arrival of two hurricanes this year and the loss of some members due to the forming of a new council in North Biloxi area. At the time of this writing, I am happy to report that the gaps have been filled and the changes have been made to take up the slack.

Prepared by Mark Blackmon

PERE le DUC COUNCIL, NO. 1522
BAY ST. LOUIS
GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

Our council's officers were duly elected and installed by District Deputy #7, which a supper was held and friends and relatives of the officers were present.

Officers for 1985 - 1986 term:

Chaplains.....	Msgr. James P. McGough Father Charles Venus
Grand Knight	Bob Hubbard
Deputy Grand Knight	Leslie Blaize
Chancellor.....	Teddy Morel
Recorder.....	John Breeden
Financial Secretary	Lou Rotundo
Treasurer.....	Mel Estrade
Advocate.....	Carl A. Arnold
Warden	Al Kingston, Sr.
Inside Guards	Pete Faucetta Tony Morreale (Emeritus)
Outside Guards	Morgan O'Rourke Gene Monti
Trustees	Chris Austin Gerard Godfrey Francis Adams

Church Activities:

(1) Monitarilly supported 3 seminarians (local boys). Sent them each \$25 per month for as long as they are studying for the priesthood. (2) 4th Degree Knights of Columbus from Pere le Duc Assembly were present in full Regalia for the processional and during the Mass and were present marching out of the Church for the recessional; this was for the Midnight Mass at Christmas. (3) Pere le Duc Knights No. 1522 donated \$700 to Bishop Joseph Lawson Howze for the Priest Education Fund for the Diocese of Biloxi at the last convention. (4) Had two Knights to go to Manresa Retreat House for a week retreat. (5) Gave a \$25 donation to each of 6 seminarians at St. Augustine Seminary in Bay St. Louis at Christmas time. (6) Provide helpers for the Church Fair at Our Lady of the Gulf Church and also for the bazaar at St. Clare Church. (7) Helped in the Cursillo Movememt in Dedeaux, Miss. (8) Attended state wide vocation seminars at Our Lady of the Gulf Church and St. Clare Church. Provide ushers, extra-ordinary ministers, commentators, lectors, for Sunday services. (9) Family Corporate Communion are held each and every month on the 2nd Sunday at the 9 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Gulf Church. (10) Provide extra-ordinary minister at morning daily Masses and also commentator and lecturer. (11) Provided 1,000 information pamphlets on the Catholic Church were purchased and given to the Legion of Mary for their vestibule booklet rack.

Community Activities:

(1) Provided manpower and equipment facilities for 7 benefit bingos for sick and distressed individuals in the community. (2) Invited Parish family to Knight of Columbus Hall after regular monthly Family Corporate Communion for donuts, milk and coffee. (3) Assisted St. Paul's Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus at bingo every Wednesday evening and Friday's respectively. (4) Brother members are in the Exchange Club of Hancock County. (5)Invited CYO families and public to Drug Abuse Program at hall and served lunch after the meeting. (6) Brother members are in Rotary Club. (7) Brother members are in Chamber of Commerce. (8) Brother member is on the City of Waveland's Board of Alderman. (9) Brother member is on the City of Bay St. Louis's City Council. (10)Help in the up-keep of "Our Lady of the Woods National Shrine." (11) Brother members are members of the Historical Society of Hancock County. (12) One of our members held a St. Joseph Altar at Pere le Duc Council Hall. The altar was open to the public. (13) Donated the use of the hall and kitchen for fish fry for Assembly of God Church in Kiln, Miss.

Council Activities:

(1) Have visited our Brother Knights in the VA Hospital and local county hospitals. (2) Had Santa Claus to come by the hall to see the little ones and to give each of them candy at the Christmas Party. (3) Hold bingo on Thursday nights and Sunday nights to raise money for the Priest Education Fund. (4) Mrs. Beth Riley, Director of Social Service showed a Pro-Life film on abortion. (5) Held a Marian Hour of Prayer at the hall with prayers, Mass and supper after for members and their wives. (6) Mail out 353 newsletters to Brother Knights throughout the state. (7) Mail supreme officers newsletters monthly. (8) Sponsored delegates to the state convention. (9) Installation banquet with special guests Bishop Howze and the Knights of Peter Claver officers and wives. (10) Started 50/50 Club for the Kitchen Crew, 50% of the money collected goes to defray the cost of the food at the meetings and 50% goes to the person whose name is pulled from the hat. It is optional to return all of the money to the Kitchen Crew fund if desirable. (11) Kitchen Crew cooks for all of the meetings. At least three times a month after the meeting we have meals and enjoy fellowship. (12) Sent \$50 at Supreme Knight Virgil C. Decant's request to the "Institute of Religious Life." (13) Perpetual Masses said for the family of the deceased Brother Knights. (14) Cards of condolences framed and given to the family of the deceased Brother Knights. (15) Sent sympathy cards to families of deceased Brother Knights. (17) We close our meetings with prayer for Vocations. (18) Received 4th Distinguished Service Award from Supreme Master for membership above 10%. (19) Put "Keep Christ in

Christmas" advertisement in the local newspaper. (20) Installation of our 4th Degree Assembly's Installation of Officers by State Master of the 4th Degree, Paulino Carrubba. (21) Memorial Mass with Chief Celebrant Bishop Howze and honored guests the Officers of the Knights of Peter Claver in attendance and five priests co-celebrated the Mass with the Bishop.

Youth Activities:

(1) Sponsored a Boy Scout Sunday Mass and breakfast. (2) Sponsored Knights of Columbus Little League Baseball team in Waveland, MS. (3) Sponsored Bay Area Soccer Knights of Columbus team in Bay St. Louis, MS. (4) Provided members as coaches for Little League Baseball Team. (5) Have a member who instructs and prepares teenagers for Confirmation. (6) Benefit bingo for Scout Troop 217 to help buy equipment. (7) Benefit bingo for Bay High Band to help buy uniforms. (8) Benefit bingo for St. Stanislaus Band to help buy equipment. (9) Knights bring C.C.D. students to St. Joseph Seminary in Covington, LA for Mass and picnic and meet the Brothers and Priests. (10) Gave \$100 donation for the sponsorship of the track meet. Council sponsored a track meet between the three Catholic schools in the Bay St. Louis, Waveland and Pass Christian areas. Gave ribbons to all participants — trophies to winners! (11) Sponsored 10 students for the Special Olympics for retarded children. Meet was held at the National Space and Technology Center. The fees we sponsored were \$15 per student. Pere le Duc Council gave \$150 for the sponsorships.

Family Life Activities:

(1) Had a benefit bingo for family who lost their home in a fire. (2) Had a Pro-Life talk for member Knights and their families. (3) Held an Insurance Night meeting and Spaghetti Dinner Social for the Knights and their ladies. (4) Will have a picnic for the Knights and their families at Buccaneer Park in Waveland, MS. (5) Sponsored a Family of the Year Award to the Francis Adams family of Bay St. Louis, MS for unselfishly giving of time, talent and to Church, Council and unlimited time for activities without recompense. (6) Gave "Knight of the Year" Award to Brother Roy Masson for his untiring efforts in the Promotion of Columbianism in the Council and in the community.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Hubbard, Grand Knight
Pere le Duc Council No. 1522

MSGR P.J. CAREY COUNCIL NO 1605
PASCAGOULA
GRAND KNIGHT REPORT

The The Council Officers were installed at a regular meeting by District Deputy Harry Steinwinder on July 9, 1985. The following officers were installed:

Chaplain	Father Ivan Weis
Grand Knight	A.T. Huyett
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Gilly
Chancellor	H.A. Thomas
Recorder	Steve Frederic
Financial Secretary	B.R. Frederic
Treasurer	Guy S. Todaro

Warden	P.W. Cox, III
Lecturer	Gerald S. Rich
Advocate	Charles B. Bratt
Inside Guard	Henry Gates
Outside Guard	Jim Hull
Trustee	John F. Szymonik
Trustee	John W. Cox
Trustee	Mack H. Hudson

On September 15, 1985, Trustee John W. Cox resigned his office, and the Council elected Brother Ernest Ory for the next three years.

On November 7, 1985 the Grand Knight declared the offices of Outside Guard and Lecturer vacant. Brother Duane Weber was elected Outside Guard. The Grand Knight appointed Brother Jim Hull as Lecturer.

The Grand Knight appointed the following Committee Chairmen to serve during the 1985-1986 fraternal year:

Director of Programs	Mike Gilly
Church Activities	Jerry LeBlanc
Vocations	Harold A. Thomas
Right-to-Life	Mike Gilly
Community Activities	Charles A. Lippian
Council Activities	Gerald A. Kennedy, Sr.
Family Activities	Jerry LeBlanc
Youth Activities	Tom Fairleigh
Director of Membership	P.W. Cox, III
Retentions Chairman	Ernest Ory
Director of Tootsie Roll Drive	Charles A. Lippian
House Chairman	Mack H. Hudson
Kitchen Committee	Henry Gates
	Louis G. Frederic
Groundskeeper	A.T. Huyett, II
Publicity	A.T. Huyett
Captain, First Degree Team	Julius H. Martin
Captain, Second Degree Team	John Cox
Captain, Third Degree Team	John Cox
Boy Scout	Vincent L. Ros
Bingo Chairman	John M. Meyer
Bowling Team	B.R. Frederic
Softball Team	Eugene F. St. Amant, Jr.
State Softball Tournament	Eugene F. St. Amant, Jr.

The Council continued its policy of having a Social on each 4th Tuesday of the month for members, wives and guests. The attendance varied from 40 to 200. Dinner was prepared by the Kitchen Colmmittee.

The 4th of July picnic was attended by approximately 350 to 400 members, wives, and guests. The meal was barbecued ribs and chicken.

The August Social was for programs and membership.

—The September Social was cancelled by the arrival of Hurricane Elena. The Council had prepared 400 pounds of boiled shrimp. 100 pounds of fresh mullet. With no electricity we had to give away the food before it spoiled. The Council home sustained approximately \$10,600 in damages not including our perimeter fence.

—The October social was for wills and insurance jointly held by Brother Charles Bratt, a local attorney and Brother Mike LeLeux, our insurance agent.

—The November social was a Memorial Mass for deceased members. Mass was celebrated by our Chaplain Father Ivan Weis.

—The December Social was for the members, wives and guests and was a covered dish supper.

—The January social was a Religious Appreciation dinner and all the local Priests, Nuns and Deacons invited. Father Weis spoke on vocations.

—The February Social was the Right-to-Life and the program was headed by Mike Gilly.

—The March Social was our 3rd annual St. Patricks Day Dance.

—The April Social will be for Drug Abuse, the same as last year.

—The May Social will be on Health.

—The June Social will be our annual Tootsie Roll Appreciation Dinner.

The Council participated in 4 Corporate Communion. Breakfast of coffee and donuts were served at the Council home after each Mass.

August 5, 1985	OLV Church 9:00 a.m. Mass
November 17, 1985	OLV Church 9:00 a.m. Mass
March 16, 1986	St. Josephs 9:30 a.m. Mass
May 4, 1986	OLV Church 9:00 a.m. Mass

The Admissions degree was conferred by our First Degree team on the following dates:

August 6, 1985	4 New members
October 8, 1985	2 New members
November 5, 1985	5 New members
February 18, 1986	8 New members

The Council sponsored a second and third degree exemplification in our home on November 10, 1985 in memory of Brother Vincent P. Ros.

The Third degree team put on the third degree on the following dates:

October 26, 1985	Theodore, Alabama	26 candidates
November 3, 1985	Vicksburg, Mississippi	77 candidates
January 19, 1986	Mobile, Alabama	56 candidates

—The Council Third Degree team certified by the Supreme Council in Jackson, MS on March 31, 1985. Our Council has the only Third Degree Team in the State of Mississippi.

—Brother Jim Hull appointed a Conferring Officer of the Third Degree by Supreme Council on December 17, 1985.

—Our Council hosted the State Softball Tournament on August 9 - 11, 1985. Brother Eugene F. St. Amant was the Chairman.

—Our Council was the State Champions in the "Over 30" category. Gulfport came in second. Would it be fair to say we only had two teams in the category?

- Bassfield won the State Championship and Pascagoula came in second.
- Our Council published a monthly newsletter with the Grand Knight as Editor.
- The Council donated \$100 towards buying Sister Bernadette a washing machine.
- Aided the Billy Ray Krebs family after their home burned down.
- The Council donated \$100 to the Veteran Administration Hospital in Biloxi.
- We sponsored three teams in the Winter Bowling League.
- The Council sponsored "Join the KC's" advertisements in all the local Church bulletins for the membership drives.
- Aided the PasPoint Merchants Baseball Team.
- Donated money to Father Flanagan's Boys' Town.
- Donated money to the Robert Ingram Memorial Fund. Mr. Ingram was accidentally electrocuted while working for Mississippi Power Company helping them to restore power after Hurricane Elena.
- Brother Ernest Ory was awarded the Bishop's Service Cross for service to the Church and community.
- Columbus Day Activities were broadcast over the local radio stations.
- Donated \$100 to the State Convention Committee for a full page ad in the State Convention Program.
- Nine members bought advertisements in the State Convention Program.
- The Council sponsored the 29th Annual Carnival Ball with 450 members, guests and wives attending. Brother John F. Szymonik reigned as King Arthur the 29th. Miss Carla Muse, daughter of Brother and Mrs. Carl Muse reigned as Queen Guinevere the 29th.
- The Council donated \$1,000 to the OLV High School to sponsor an Academic Awards Banquet for the students and their parents.
- The Council aided the Blessing of the Fleet Committee.
- Donated \$100 to the Kiln Council on their raffle.
- Donated \$100 to the American Legion Boys State.
- Aided the Pregnancy Crisis Center.
- Council made \$5,646.22 on the annual Tootsie Roll Drive.
- The Council donated \$500 to the Sisters of the Most Holy Sacrament for their retirement fund.
- The OLV Elementary School used the Council home to raise \$43,828 to aid the school.
- The Council sponsored a Hospitality room at the 1985 State Convention for all the members and their wives.
- The Council sponsored a Boy Scout Troop again this year. Our first Boy Scout troop was in 1915.
- The Council will celebrate our 75th Anniversary on February 11, 1987.
- Brother Mack H. Hudson and Father Ivan Weis were appointed Life Honorary Members.

The 15th Annual Awards banquet will be held on April 5, after being rescheduled from March 22, 1986 due to conflict with scheduling the home. The following awards will be presented. Last year we enjoyed the Company of all the State Officers at this annual event. Bishop Joseph

L. Howse has indicated that he will be in attendance this year. Our guest speaker will be Congressman Trent Lott.

Knight of the Year	Mr. John M. Meyer
Program Chairman	Mr. Mike Gilly
King Arthur XXIX	Mr. John F. Szymonik
Queen Guinevere XXIX	Miss Carla Muse
Bingo Chairman	Mr. John M. Meyer
Tootsie Roll Chairman	Mr. Charles Lippian
House Chairman	Mr. Mack Hudson
Ladies Auxiliary	Ms. Ione Green
Patron Saint Award	Ms. Jean E. Huyett
Insurance Agent	Mr. Mike LeLeux
Outstanding New Member	Mr. Duane Weber
Kitchen Chairmen	Mr. Henry Gates
	Mr. Louis Frederic
St. Patrick's Day Chairman	Mr. Gerald Kennedy
Carnival Ball Chairman	Mr. Fletcher Songe
Church Activities Chairman	Mr. Jerry LeBlanc

As a highlight of this year's awards banquet, the Council will donate \$1,500 to Father Louis Lohan to help build a new St. Lucy's Catholic Church in Lucedale.

—Aided the local Pregnancy Crisis Center with donations.

—The Council will again donate \$10,000 to the Bishop Gerow Priest Education Fund.

—I would like to thank all the members, their wives and our friends who helped make 1985-86 a very good year. My apology's to all the members for not donating more of my time to make this an even better year. I have enjoyed my last two years as your Grand Knight, and now it is time for me to step aside and let someone else enjoy the trials and tribulations of being the Grand Knight. Thanks again.

Respectfully submitted,
A.T. Huyett
Grand Knight

BISHOP FAHEY COUNCIL #1908
HATTIESBURG
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Things have been slow for our Council over the past year, but there were a few bright spots. We hope to increase our Council's activities in the following year.

We lost a few old members but gained quite a few new members.

After the State Convention last year, we represented the Knights of Columbus for the State of Mississippi by sponsoring the softball event for the Mississippi Special Olympics held at the University of Southern Mississippi. It was a great honor and we will sponsor the event again this year. If you are in Hattiesburg May 16th & 17th, please stop by and see these special kids.

We held a Blood Drive last year which turned out well.

We participated in the Tootsie Roll Drive and Free Throw Competition.

Most of our time has been spent on developing our new facilities and trying to raise funds for this development.

Our Christmas Party was a success. There were a lot of new faces that belonged to OLD members. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we are looking forward to next year's party.

Respectfully submitted,
Tommy Rocconi
Grand Knight

BISHOP GUNN COUNCIL #1583
GULFPORT
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

1986 Officers:

Chaplain	Msgr. J. Mercier
Grand Knight	D.P. DeNicole
Deputy Grand Knight	Greg Lutz
Chancellor	James Putnam
Treasurer	Sid Rice
Recorder	Dan Goad
Warden	Terry Hurst
Advocate	Fritz Oberlies
Inside Guard	D.J. Ziegler
Outside Guard	Joe Zak
1 Year Trustee	Nick G. Pitalo
2 Year Trustee	George Rogers
3 Year Trustee	Bill Wittman

Church Activities:

(1) Council co-sponsors missilettes for St. John Parish, Gulfport; St. James, Gulfport; and St. Ann's, Lizana. (2) Knights active as ushers, eucharistic ministers, Renew Program Chairman St. John, St. Ann, St. James, St. Theresa parishes. (3) Council yearly hosts a clergy nite with drawing for cash for Sisters and Priests and Deacons. (4) Council contributed in excess of \$21,000 to St. James and St. Johns schools 85-86 school year. (5) Sponsors alter boy picnic for all parishes. (6) Keep Christ in Christmas program. (7) Donated \$500 St. Ann's to purchase building. (8) Furnished facilities for coast-wide Legion of Mary picnic. (9) Furnished facilities for St. James parish picnic. (10) Furnished facilities and meal for Diocesan Priest Conference. (11) Sponsored raffle for Priest Education Fund.

Community

(1) Council donated \$500 for each St. Vincent DePaul Society at St. Ann, St. James, St. John and St. Theresa. Total \$2,000. (2) Council has members serving on various boards of City of Gulfport Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. (3) Council has several members who are regular blood donors. (4) Council awarded certificates for service to Veterans Hospital, Gulfport. (5) Members contributed several hundred man-hours manning booths at annual Miss.

Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo. Proceeds for St. John School Athletic Program. (6) Furnished facilities for Catholic Charities for hurricane relief. (7) Sponsors Senior Citizens Party-Dinner-Music. (8) Tootsie Roll Drive. (9) Furnished facilities for South Miss. Firemen Underwater Rescue. (10) Gulf Oaks Hospital & Clinic, furnished facilities. (11) Mount Olive Baptist Church, furnished facilities. (12) Booster Clubs from Central Jr. High, Bayou View, Band Boosters, Gulfport High School Band. (13) Contributed to East Gulfport Jaycees for clothing needy children.

Activities:

(1) Health Program with blood pressure check and literature to all present. (2) Sponsored Insurance Night with agent present. (3) Held open meeting for installation of officers, 3rd and 4th degrees conducted by District Deputy and State Master. (4) Sponsored Admission Degree each quarter with 2nd & 3rd on March 2, 1986. (5) Honored Knight of Month and Knight of Quarter. (6) Christmas Party for members and guests. (7) Installed Auxiliary Officers. (8) Held workers dinner and dance for those members having worked six or more times in six months. (9) Hosted family picnic.

Youth

(1) Council sponsors, Louis LaRosa, Squire Council. (2) St. John Elementary School Field Day. (3) Swimming Party for St. Theresa CCD classes. (4) Coast Soccer Team Picnic, furnished facilities. (5) St. Joseph Cub Scout Picnic. (6) Sponsored two boys and two girls to American Legion Boy State, Girls State. (7) Furnished facilities for Cheerleader schools. (8) Furnished facilities for St. John High School for Homecoming Dance. (9) Christmas Party for children 12 and under. (10) Easter egg hunt for pre-school children and elementary school. (11) Furnished facilities for CYO pool party. (12) Sponsored Squire's float in Mardi Gras parade. (13) St. John Class Reunion. (14) Sponsor Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts of St. John Elementary. (15) Furnished facilities for day camp Cub Scouts (1 week),

Family Activity

(1) Memorial services with Mass and refreshments after Mass. Fourth Degree Honor Guard. (2) Council furnished \$25 monthly to help Morning Star Pregnancy Center. (3) Furnished dinner for volunteer workers for Pro-Life. (4) Furnished facilities for Baby Shower for Auxiliary - behalf of Pro-Life. (5) Marched in Pro-Life parade in Gulfport. (6) Donated \$500 to deceased members' families. (7) Sent food to home of member who lost a child.

COUNCIL 2134
GREENVILLE
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL 2180
LAUREL
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

It is an honor for me to submit this Grand Knight's Report of the Laurel Council 2180 for the fraternal year 1985-86. The following officers were elected and installed in July 1985 by

District Deputy Gilbert O'Flynn.	
Grand Knight	George Harrison
Deputy Grand Knight	Robert Grissett
Chancellor	Larry Pressly
Treasurer	David Hughes
Financial Secretary	John P. Myers
Advocate	H. James Schneider
Warden	Ralph W. Gatzmen
Chaplain	Father Thomas White
Inside Guard	Tim Rozek
Outside Guard	Gerald Bourell
Trustee	Dennis Farrell
Trustee	Gerald Hodge
Trustee	Richard Hollingsworth

Because of the resignation of Robert L. Grissett, we moved James O'Donnell into the position of Deputy Grand Knight. Brother Jim O'Donnell served for a period of time as Program Director, but eventually had to turn that job over to Brother Richard Hollingsworth, who is our current Program Director. Current Program Committee Chairmen are:

Membership	Bill Gatzman
Church	Mike Maily
Council	George Harrison
Community	John Pere
Youth	Richard Hollingsworth
Family	Paul Morakinyo

The following is a summary of our Program Activities for the fraternal year 1985-86:

Church Activities:

(1) Mandatory Vocation Program: send a monthly stipend to a seminarian. (2) Held a Living Rosary Program, March 15. (3) Council makes up Committee in "Parish Renew" Program. (4) Participated in Holy Week Activities. (5) Council sponsored "Day of Recollection" November 9. (6) Council members serve as lectors, eucharistic ministers, ushers and pall bearers. (7) Council members serve as CCD teachers. (8) Council members serve on Parish Council, Maintenance Committee and Finance Committee. (9) Council sponsored special bingo for Parish Hall Building Fund.

Community Activities:

(1) Tootsie Roll Drive completed May 1985. (2) Sponsored Parish Dinner with Metro Narcotic Officer giving Program on Drug Abuse. (3) Council sponsored and built float in Laurel Christmas Parade. (4) Council collected and distributed Christmas baskets for the needy. (5) Council set up a plan for emergency housing for hurricane victims. (6) Council donated to local T-ball program and gave free tickets and refreshments to residents of Ellisville State School. (7) Pancake Breakfast Fund Raiser for African Relief Fund, August 17. (8) \$100 per month to local charity organizations. (9) Donated stove to local Food Mission.

Council Activities:

(1) Sponsored a Parish Dinner with a program on Opthamology and Eye Care presented by Dr. Harvey Wright, Feb. 2, 1986. (2) Insurance Program at March Social presented by Henry Mosco, March 16, 1986. (3) Council Membership Drive at Super Bowl Party. (4) First Degree Team re-certification with five exemplifications. (5) Monthly newsletter. (6) KC of the Month and Year. (7) Priest Education Fund \$1200 donation. (8) Council recognizes sick within parish

with flowers and cards. (9) "VIP" Club participation. (10) Council sponsored fund raiser to provide new roof and addition to Immaculate Conception School. (11) Maintained Information Stand in Vestibule of Church. (12) Donated Three ceiling fans to Saltillo Mission. (13) Sponsored Hospitality Room at State Convention.

Youth Activities:

(1) Council assisted CYO with their activities through labor and funds. (2) Council sponsored Day of Reflection and Confessions. (3) Council sponsors Brownie Troop 352 with labor and donations. (4) Council sponsors Cub Pack 36 with labor and donations. (5) Sponsored Pinewood Derby for Cub Scouts. (6) Council sponsors two scholarships to Immaculate Conception School. (7) Council sponsors Annual Easter Egg Hunt. (8) Council sponsored "Pig Out at Pizza Hut" for youth leaders of parish. (9) Free Throw Contest on local and state level. (10) Donations to CYO for State Convention.

Family Activities:

(1) Memorial Mass for deceased members. (2) Pro-Life Program for Respect Life Sunday. (3) Four quarter page newspaper ads on anti-abortion. (4) Quarterly Corporate Communion. (5) Family of the Month and Year. (6) Monthly Family Socials. (7) Involve widows and children of deceased members in activities. (8) Sponsored Parish Christmas Party. (9) Promote Marriage Encounter through leaflets and promotion at meetings and socials. (10) Recognize anniversaries of members.

My sincere thanks go to all the State Officers for their cooperation in our endeavor to make Council 2180 the best council in the Mississippi Jurisdiction. Also, thanks to all the officers, chairmen, and members of our council for their untiring efforts in this regard. I especially want to thank our Chaplain, Father Thomas White for his cooperation, and creating an atmosphere favorable to the work of Columbianism.

Respectfully submitted,
George L. Harrison
Grand Knight

C.G. SHAPLEY COUNCIL NO. 2945
LELAND
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On July 31, 1985, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy District Deputy, Stan Swentkowski. A dinner followed and was enjoyed by members and wives. The following officers were installed:

Chaplain	Father Peter Quinn
Grand Knight	Anthony Santucci
Deputy Grand Knight	Jerry W. Santucci
Recorder	Dennis Hull
Financial Secretary	Richard Columbus
Treasurer	Charlie Morlino
Chancellor	Albert Bassie
Warden	Mike Columbus
Lecturer	Phillip Lee
Inside Guard	Charles Flanagan

Outside Guard	Louis Santucci
Trustees	Leon Shapley
	Steve Fratesi
	Andy Petro

*Brother Jerry Santucci assumed duties of Recorder upon the departure of Brother Dennis Hull in November, 1985.

The following members were appointed to serve as Program Directors and Committee Chairmen:

Program Director	Richard Columbus
Church Activities	Lando Fratesi
Community Activities	Jerry W. Santucci
Council Activities	Mike Columbus
Family Activities	Charles Flanagan
Membership Director	Andry Petro
Youth Activities	*Dennis Hull

*Brother Leon Shapley assumed the directorship of the Youth Activities upon the departure of Brother Dennis Hull.

The following activities were performed by our council during the past year.

Membership

We have initiated seven (7) new members to our council during the Fraternal Year. The initiations were conducted by our own First Degree Team.

Initiated	Seven (7) members
Reactivated	One (1) member
Reinstated	One (1) member
Withdrawal with card	One (1) member
Suspension	One (1) member
Transferred	One (1) member

Church Activities

(1) Donated \$1,000 to Priest Education Fund. (2) Sponsored a Living Rosary "A Devotion to Mary" in which approximately 100 people participated and had a pot luck supper afterward for the Parish. (3) Purchased a \$100 raffle ticket for the Annual Parish Fair. (4) Brother Knights led the congregation in the praying of the Rosary before Mass every Sunday in the Month of May. (5) Sponsored a trip to the winery in Merigold, Mississippi for the senior citizens of our parish, approximately 25 people made the trip. (6) Sponsored a Mother's Day catfish fry supper, with members cooking for the mothers of the parish. (7) Sponsored an all night Ritual for a member of the parish, Herman Fratesi, in which a different member and wife stayed with the body in the Church one hour. (8) Brother Knights led the congregation in the praying of the Rosary before Mass every Sunday in the month of October. (9) Have Mass offered for deceased parish members. (10) Provide Liturgy Team - which includes: Lector, Commentator, Ushers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Flag Bearers, Cross Bearers, Gift Bearers. This is for Sunday Mass every 1st Sunday of the month. (11) Provide Church Sunday Bulletins each week. (12) Provide use of K.C. Hall every 1st Friday of the month for Senior Citizens Mass. (13) On November 10, 1985 we presented Father Howard Johnson, one of our local sons, a gift of \$100 for his 25th anniversary in the Priesthood. (14) Sponsored a large billboard "Keep Christ in Christmas" on Hwy 82 between Greenville and Leland. (15) Donated \$100 to two needy families of our parish for Christmas.

Community Activities

(1) Participated in the Statewide Tootsie Roll Drive to raise funds for the mentally retarded. We raised approximately \$1,500. (2) Donated \$100 to the Leland Public School for a drug abuse and awareness program "Skills for the Adolescents". (3) Aired the Columbus Day message from Supreme Knight on local radio. (4) Volunteer Council Hall to community disaster. (5) Allowed civic organizations to use the Council Hall free of charge. (6) Rented Council Hall to persons having parties for small fee. (7) Made a donation of \$100 for expenses of a Good Will truck bringing clothes and medicine to Mexico. (8) Donated \$100 to Leland Jr. Auxiliary Fund for needy families for Christmas. (9) Donated \$100 to a Leland family whose house burned down.

Council Activities

(1) Sponsored 4 nurses to take blood pressure of K.C. members and all parish members after Masses. (2) Conducted an insurance program featuring Henry Mosco, our General Agent, with a social following his presentation. (3) Participated in the State K.C. Softball Tournament. (4) Sold hamburgers and Pepsi at the Annual Leland Arts and Crafts Festival. (5) Sold a football pool on Mississippi State 1985 season. (6) Sponsored delegates to the State Convention. (7) Selected Knight of the Year of our council and recognized him at a social. Brother Richard Columbus was our Knight of the Year. (8) For council improvement of attendance we have a drawing for a cash prize at every meeting. (9) Maintain an active telephone committee to enhance participation in council activities. (10) Had all night ritual for deceased member. (11) Had a raffle in which we made \$1,000 and gave \$1,000 to the winner. (12) Conducted two first degree initiations by our own team. (13) Sold a football pool on the Super Bowl game. (14) Purchased an ad in the State Convention Yearbook. (15) Participated in the State K.C. Bowling Tournament in Clarksdale.

Youth Activities

(1) Four K.C. members are serving as Total Youth Advisors and Sponsors of the Parish's Total Youth Group (CYO). (2) Sponsored a religious week-end for the youth. Three K.C. members and seven youth attended. (3) Held an honorary dinner for graduating Catholic seniors of our parish. (4) Provided eggs for Annual Easter Egg Hunt for our youth. (5) Presented Bibles to our thirteen graduating seniors.. (6) Provided officials for the CYO Volleyball Tournament. (7) Made a donation of \$100 to the Total Youth misistry for a project of youth. (8) Held a local Free Throw Contest. (9) Participated in the Statewide K.C. Free Throw Tournament. (10) Donated 5 boxes of Tootsie Rolls to different youth groups, Boy Scouts, special education classes and the mentally retarded center.

Family Life

(1) Held memorial services for deceased members. (2) Sponsored a Right-to-Life booth at the Annual Parish Fair. (3) Held a social for members and wives at our installation of officers. (4) Held a Columbus Day Social for members and wives. (5) Awarded a certificate of merit to a family, who was leaving town, for the services they had given to our council. (6) Chose a "Family of the Quarter" 3 times and a "Family of the Year." (7) Held a Christmas Party and social for members and wives. (8) Sponsored a Santa Claus program for the young children of the parish.

Conclusion

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as Grand Knight this past year. I would like to thank all of the officers, chairmen, members of the Council and especially our Program Director, Brother Richard Columbus, who have worked hard to make this a very successful year.

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony Santucci
Grand Knight

COUNCIL NO. 2969
CLARKSDALE
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 3328
YAZOO CITY
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 4472
PASS CHRISTIAN
(No Report Submitted)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COUNCIL, NO 4898
LONG BEACH
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

The following officers were elected to serve this fraternal year:

Chaplain	Rev. Robert Lamy, C.M.
Grand Knight	Charles "Chuck" Mink
Deputy Grand Knight	Edward M. Cruthirds
Chancellor	A. Joseph Schmidt
Warden	Jacob F. Hertzog, Jr.
Treasurer	Chris Carrubba
Recording Secretary	Morris Williams
Advocate	Gerard Smith
Inside Guard	Norman Rheume
Outside Guard	Henry Webb
3 Year Trustee	Pete H. Carrubba
2 Year Trustee	John W. Smith
1 Year Trustee	Paulino J. Carrubba

Brother Joe Van Cloosture was appointed Lecturer and the following members accepted committee chairmanships:

Program Director	Edward M. Cruthirds
Church Activities	Patrick Hamel
Council Activities	John Smith
Community Activities	Jacob F. Hertzog, Jr.
Family Activities	Chuck Mink
Youth Activities	Gary Smith
	Kevin Mauffray
Membership	David DiLorenzo

Church Activities

(1) Year-round continuing vocations program. (2) Contributed to the memorial fund for Masses in the name of our beloved Father John O'Connor who passed away this fraternal year.

(3) Fourth Annual Vocations Awareness Week Prayer Breakfast with guest speaker on vocations. (4) Marion Hour of Prayer at St. Thomas Church. (5) Attended rosary services to honor our Blessed Mother during the month of the rosary (October 1985). (6) Special Mass to honor deceased members. (7) Continued support of St. Thomas Church. Several Knights serve as lectors, commentators, ushers and Eucharistic ministers. (8) Set up and maintain a lighted Nativity Scene in front of St. Thomas Church during Christmas season. (9) Have initiated and oversee a fund parish-wide through personal donations and fund-raising events to raise monies for installation of an elevator in St. Thomas rectory. Fund is currently over \$2,500. (10) Sponsored a coffee and donut fellowship Sunday at St. Thomas Church.

Community Activities

(1) Conducted Annual Tootsie Roll Drive netting approximately \$1,400 for Southern Mississippi Retardation Center. (2) Dedicated a Knight-of-the-Quarter dinner to drug abuse and awareness program with local law enforcement officer as guest speaker. (3) Columbus Day flag-raising ceremony at St. Thomas School. Brief explanation of Knighthood and raising of flag. (4) Provided a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior at Long Beach High School. (5) Provide a tuition-assistance fund for needy parents of children attending St. Thomas School.

Council Activities

(1) Continuing program of Friday night bingo. (2) Family-style cookout to dedicate opening of new KC pavillion for all members, ladies and children. (3) Continuing program of Knight-of-the-Quarter dinners. (4) Family social/potluck dinners for Knights and their families. (5) Held Annual KC Family Picnic. (6) Participated in State Bowling Tournament. (7) Held Annual "220" Club Drawing - \$5,000 fund raiser for local scholarships and Priest Education Fund. (8) Held Ash Wednesday fish fry. (9) Initiated a contingency fund from bingo proceeds to aid needy members of Council. (10) Certified a first degree team.

Youth Activities

(1) Assisted CYO as chaperones for teen dances. (2) Several Knights served as monitors and security at State CYO Convention. (3) Initiated new program - twice monthly "Teen Nights" for movies, snacks, games, etc. Have since turned this program over to our Ladies' Auxiliary. (4) Annual Children's Christmas Party with a visit from Santa. (5) Annual Children's Easter Egg Hunt. (6) Participated in State Free Throw Competition. (7) Sponsor team in Long Beach Little League. (8) Sponsor a girls' softball team. (9) Donated KC Home for Pine Burr Council Boy Scouts 25th Anniversary celebration. (10) Donated a \$50 Savings Bond to boy and girl graduating 6th grade at St. Thomas School. (11) Sponsor Boy Scout Troop 203.

Family Life Activities

(1) Dedicated the month of November for memorial services to our deceased members. (2) Distributed pamphlets and flyers on anti-abortion in parking lots of four area malls. (3) Submitted Family of the Year to Supreme.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles "Chuck" Mink
Grand Knight

COUNCIL NO. 5267
GREENWOOD
(No Report Submitted)

FATHER ROTONDO COUNCIL NO. 5556
CLEVELAND
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Council No. 5556 of the Knights of Columbus began our Fraternal Year with the installation of our Council Officers. Officers were installed with the appropriate ceremony by our Worthy District Deputy, Stanley Swentkowski. The installation was conducted in July of 1985 with members, wives and guests present. The following members were appropriately installed for the 1985-86 fraternal year:

Chaplain	Rev. Bernard Haddican
Grand Knight	Gary Gainpoletti
Deputy Grand Knight	Floyd (Donny) Whitten
Chancellor	Armand Fioranelli
Recorder	Douglas Cocilova
Treasurer	Monty Barbati
Advocate	Ben Bailey
Warden	Ronnie Aguzzi
Inside Guard	Troy Odom
Outside Guard	Joe Aguzzi, Jr.
Financial Secretary	Dr. William F. LaForge
Lecturer	Kevin Cox
Trustee	Ned Fioranelli
Trustee	Victor Aguzzi, Jr.
Trustee	Marvin Lott

Immediately following the installation everyone in attendance was served a delicious steak supper.

The following items are a list of many of the activities that our Council engaged in the immediate past fraternal year. These activities are listed in accordance with the categories of council activities as prescribed by both the Supreme and State Councils.

Family Life Activities

(1) Provided memorial services for our deceased members in November of 1985. (2) In September of 1985 the Council hosted an afternoon affair of softball, featuring the old timers against the younger KC Softball Team. The event was followed by a cook-out for all families and friends in attendance. (3) The Council regularly sends acknowledgement cards to all hospitalized or sick Brother Knights or their family members. (4) Masses are provided for deceased members. (5) A cook-out and family outing was presented to the council and their families following the Annual Bocce Tournament held at the KC Hall on March 23, 1986. (6) A Pro-Life and Anti-Abortion Clinic is currently scheduled for April 15, 1986 in the Council Home.

Youth Activities

(1) Members of our Council and their wives act as sponsors for the Catholic Youth Organization of our Parish. (2) The Council sponsors a local Girl Scout Brownie Troop by providing them with necessary funds and supplies to operate their organization. (3) In June 1985, the KC's co-sponsored a breakfast for Catholic graduating seniors. These seniors were also presented with an engraved Bible. (4) Council sponsors a Catholic boy to the Annual Boys' State Event. (5) The Council sponsors a Catholic girl to the Annual Girls' State Event. (6) Co-sponsor was provided for a local high school group from Cleveland High School to attend the Annual Youth Congress held in Jackson, Mississippi. (7) In February 1986, the council sponsored a daughter of one of our Brother Knights in the Cleveland Junior Auxiliary's Charity Ball. (8) In the summer of 1985 the Council co-sponsored a local youth baseball team in conjunction with the local American Legion organization.

Council Activities

(1) In January 1986, the Council sponsored a Blood Donors Program for our local Council and for Our Lady of Victories Parish. (2) Our Annual Insurance Night was held on March 25, 1986. This was provided by Henry Mosco and Jerry Woods. (3) Each fourth Tuesday of every month, the Council has a social for members and their guest or potential members. (4) Our Council organized four football pools within the Council and community. (5) Fourteen Knights and their spouses attended the State Convention in Meridian in addition to sponsoring a Hospitality Room at the convention. (6) The Council sponsored a softball team which participated in the Knights of Columbus State Softball Tournament in Pascagoula in August 1985. (7) A three week recruitment program was sponsored by the Council at Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church after all Masses during the month of September. This event was culminated by inviting all potential and perspective members to our KC softball outing and the supper which followed. (8) The Council sends cards on a regular basis to all our members who are sick or in distress. (9) In February 1986, the Council participated in the State Bowling Tournament held in Clarksdale, Mississippi. (10) Our Annual Spaghetti Supper was held in February 1985 and as usual was a tremendous success.

Community Activities

(1) A Drug Abuse Program was held at the Council Home on January 22, 1986. (2) A second Drug Abuse Program is scheduled for April 1, 1986 and is also to be held at the Council Home. (3) During the Christmas season the Council provided \$100 for needy families to the Cleveland Junior Auxiliary. In addition the Council started a collection process for providing clothing for the poor. (4) A Columbus Day Program was held on WCLD Radio in conjunction with the Supreme Knight's request. (5) The Council participated in the State Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive in April of 1985. (6) A Knights of Columbus softball team regularly participates in the Cleveland, Mississippi Church League. (7) \$100 was contributed to the Supreme Knight's Disaster Relief Fund. (8) Various members of our Council participate on the planning committee and in conjunction with the Cleveland-Bolivar County Chamber of Commerce.

Church Activities

(1) On April 8, 1986 the Council has planned its annual devotion of the Marion Hour of Prayer. (2) Ushers and parking attendants were provided for the 25th Anniversary of Father Haddican's Priesthood. (3) The Council contributed \$200 to Father Haddican for his devotion to our Parish. (4) Ushers, lectors and commentators are provided for Our Lady of Victories Church. (5) The Council regularly assists in the upkeep of the parish grounds. (6) CCD instructors are provided for Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church. (7) The Council provided an Honor Guard for the Midnight Mass Ceremonies at Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church. (8) An Honor Guard was sent to Greenwood, Mississippi for participation in the installation of Msgr. Harkins in February of 1986. This was done at the request of the Greenwood Knights of Columbus. (9) On March 16, 1986 the Council co-sponsored a pot luck supper at Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church in conjunction with the Parish Council. (10) Pray cards and a Christmas wreath was provided to the Church during the Christmas season.

In addition to these activities listed above our Council continued to provide both the Supreme and State Councils with the necessary reports and filing requirements that are requested by them. In addition seven of our Council members attended School of Columbianism which was held in Greenwood, Mississippi in the mid part of this fraternal year. One of our greater achievements that we are very proud of for this fraternal year is the production of a quarterly newsletter. Although we realize that only one issue has been produced at this time, we feel like this would certainly be helpful in providing our membership with the awareness of the various projects that our Council participates in.

It has been both an honor and a pleasure to serve as Grand Knight of the Cleveland Council of the Knights of Columbus for the past two years. I am certainly grateful to those Brother Knights who assisted me in the many activities that we have engaged in and sincerely hope that our Council will continue to be a strong body in both our State and Supreme Council.

Respectfully submitted
Gary M. Gainspoletti
Grand Knight

COUNCIL NO. 5654
OCEAN SPRINGS
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 6555
SHELBY
(No Report Submitted)

MALACHY BURNS COUNCIL NO. 6592
BASSFIELD
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Our new year started out with new officers, and many new activities. The officers were installed by Gilbert O'Flynn during a special Mass with a social afterwards.

Activities

(1) The Annual Blood Drive was held in July with adequate donors to supply the parish with blood for the entire year. (2) In August, the Bassfield Knights of Columbus Softball Team participated in the State Softball Tournament, and won the First Place Trophy. (3) The monthly socials were started back in September, with many activities planned. (4) The School of Columbianism was sponsored, and held at Bassfield this year. (5) The Turkey Shoot and Gun Raffle were held. (6) During the football season, the football pools were circulated every week with great success. (7) A Christmas Supper was held for the elderly of the parish. (8) A Christmas Party was also held for the children of the parish. (9) The year went well with a large crowd at the Annual New Year's Eve Dance and Social. (10) Board of Directors meetings were held every quarter to plan the future activities, and work that could be done around the parish. (11) Members continued to maintain the Carson Cemetery, and also help with maintaining the school and church grounds. (12) Members continued to assist the Altar Society with monthly bingo games. (13) Our Council was honored to sponsor two of the CYO members at the CYO Convention on the Gulf Coast. (14) The Dob Daley Scholarship Award will be presented to one of the graduating seniors at the Annual Breakfast to be given on May 11, 1986. (15) An Easter Egg Hunt was held on Easter Sunday for the children of the parish.

We are now looking forward to the Knights of Columbus Convention at Jackson with several members planning to attend. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Grand Knight for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
David Davis
Grand Knight

COUNCIL NO. 6765
STARKVILLE
(No Report Submitted)

OSCAR J. GELPI COUNCIL NO. 6872
PICAYUNE
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Grand Knight	Donald C. Arcement
Deputy Grand Knight	Gil O'Flynn
Chancellor	Richard Bork
Recorder	Mike McNeely
Financial Secretary	Emile Vial
Treasurer	Melvin Doucette
Chaplain	Father Michael Leane
Lecturer	—Vacant—
Advocate	Bob Slis
Warden	Mike Burr
Inside Guard	James Glaser
Outside Gaurd	Ronald Bass
3 Year Trustee	Earl Grabert
2 Year Trustee	Jerry Hunter
1 Year Trustee	John Diantoni

Program Director	Donald C. Arcement
Church Director	Bob Slis
Community Director	Melvin Doucette
Council Director	Donald C. Arcement
Membership Director	Gil O'Flynn
Recuitment Chairman	Gil O'Flynn
Retention Chairman	Earl Grabert

In February of this year our Grand Knight had to resign and relocate to Wisconsin. In March Donald C. Arcement was elected to fulfill the term.

In the past year our council has been very active in all of our program areas.

We have added quite a few new members. Most of our new members have expressed interest in our charity and community works.

Our Church Activities have varied widely this year. We have attempted to aid Father Leane with personnel for CCD Teachers, Eucharistic ministers, lectors, ushers and maintenance help. We have also worked with father on the Annual Christmas Lunch and have helped serve donuts to the CCD children after classes to name only a few of our church related activities.

Our Community Activities have been very interesting this year. We have taken special interest in the elderly in a convescent home. We have also made great strides to help the mentally retarded, handicapped and police department in trying to achieve a cooperative and united community.

Our Council Activities this year have centered around our four basic beliefs of our order: Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. We have tried to improve our understanding of our brothers and promote unity and fraternity.

The Youth Activities this year have focused on all age groups. We have been active with the CYO, St. Jude Bike-A-Thon, sponsored two Boy Scout troops, participated in the local and state Free Throw Contest and sponsored an Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the younger children of the community.

Our Family Activities have tried to make each member of his family appreciate the other members of his family. We have also tried to bring Brother Knights' families closer together. Our Ladies' Auxiliary has been one of our greatest assets in this area.

In conclusion, we were deeply saddened by the resignation of our Grand Knight. The fond memories and his display of what a good Knight should be shall remain in our minds. We are hoping to be able to continue building a better working relationship with our community and brothers for the good of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald C. Arcement
Grand Knight

FATHER ALEXANDER C. DENIS COUNCIL NO. 7087
KILN
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Officers for 1985-86 are as follows:

Grand Knight	Jody Knight
Financial Secretary	Richard Hoda
Deputy Grand Knight	Elbert Cuevas
Chancellor	O.J. Shiyou
Recorder	Revernal Ladner
Treasurer	Kenneth Barber
Advocate	Earl Ainsworth
Warden	Wayne Cuevas
Trustee	Randolph Necaise

TrusteeBerlin Necaise
 TrusteeJohn Cuevas
 Inside GuardReana Lee
 Outside GuardCharles Hoda
 Program DirectorJody Knight

The 1985-86 year has been a busy year of reconstruction of our Council. We are busy trying to raise funds to build a Council Home on our property

We did have around 2600 points in our program reports. We were active in all five areas. Church programs were worked in all three parishes, with Brother Knights active in their given parishes. We held Corporate Communion in all parishes.

Council programs included work details, fund raisers, and our weekly bingo.

Our biggest community projects was our Christmas Basket distribution to the needy of the three parish area. It involved approximately 25 Brother Knights and lots of hard work.

Our family shrimp boil was the major get-together for the Council, along with several family socials.

Youth involved work with the CYO's of the parishes and also Dixie Youth Baseball, soccer, and basketball.

The year as a whole was very good and we had great participation from about 20% of our membership.

Faithfully submitted,
 Jody G. Knight
 Grand Knight

COUNCIL NO. 7120
 SOUTHAVERN
 (No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 7211
 LUMBERTON
 (No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO 7854
 CLINTON
 (No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 7910
GULFPORT (O.G.)
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 7915
BROOKHAVEN
(No Report Submitted)

W.H. "BILL" JOLLY COUNCIL NO. 7974
COLUMBUS
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

It is with great pleasure that I submit this progress report for the fraternal year 1985-1986.

The following officers were elected and on August 11, 1985, were installed by District Deputy Mike Russell of Columbus.

Grand Knight	John D. Krumpos
Deputy Grand Knight	Stephen J. Symbalisty
Financial Secretary	Floyd H. McIntyre
Treasurer	Joseph L. Terney
Recorder	Kerry M. Doughty
Chancellor	Jay B. Mitchell
Advocate	Tony G. Torrez
Warden	Robert L. Walk
Chaplain	Fr. James B. O'Riordan
Inside Guard	Samuel C. Coley
Outside Guard	Francis J. Zaiontz
1 Year Trustee	Richard L. Mahoney
2 Year Trustee	Michael A. Russell
3 Year Trustee	Francis J. Buchholz, Jr.

Our Program Director was Steve J. Symbalisty. Current Program Committee Chairmen are:

Membership	Dan G. Holocher
Church	Robert W. Green
Council	Jim E. Wamble, Jr.
Community	Tony G. Torrez
Youth	Reynolds R. Ridgley
Family	Haywood Stokes

Family Activities

(1) Council conducted rosaries for the repose of the souls of Brothers Ed Hacker, Floyd Grondin and Gus Belhumeur. (2) Purchased Pro-Life bumper stickers and presented them to Mr. Basil Moots for distribution at the State Fair. (3) Purchased Pro-Life literature for local Pro-Life organization. (4) Hosted quarterly covered dish dinners for members and their wives. (5) Hosted a pool party for members' families. (6) Council gathered for communion breakfast with families once a quarter. (7) Presented the Family of the Year Award to the Gus Belhumeur family in August. (8) Hosted SCC football night for family and friends.

Youth Activities

(1) Council conducted Annual Easter Egg Hunt for children of the parish on March 30. (2) Provided refreshments for St. Mary's School Christmas party. (3) Prepared food for Newman Club closed weekend in February. (4) Several Knights and their wives served as chaperones for all CYO activities. (5) Two Knights served as teachers in the Reverence for Life Program for the parish youth. (6) Two Knights served on the school board. (7) Council directed CYO during the Tootsie Roll Drive and during the St. Mary's School hamburger supper. (8) Awarded \$50 scholarship and plaque to the outstanding student at St. Mary's School. (9) Provided snacks at local high school prom. (10) Hosted K of C - CYO softball game at St. Mary's Hamburger Supper. (11) Assisted in selling tickets to raise funds for Caldonia baseball field lighting. (12) Council's Santa Claus visited hospitalized children. (13) Council sponsored a 9-12 year old girls softball team in city recreation league. (14) Several Knights served as judges for the St. Mary's School Science Fair.

Council Activities

(1) Council conducted community blood drives in May and November. (2) Council sponsored an Insurance Night program by Brother Henry Mosco. (3) Hosted an Appreciation Night Dinner for the Sisters of the parish. (4) Hosted Awards Banquet in August. (5) Sponsored an Oktoberfest social in October. (6) Sponsored a holiday dinner party for Knights and wives on December 29. (7) Restored Statue of Mary in May. (8) Knights prepared food for St. Mary's School fund raising hamburger supper in May. (9) Council delegation participated in the 10 year anniversary program for the ACT Center. (10) Council awarded Knight of the Year to Tony Torrez. (11) Hosted District 6 meeting on October 6. (12) Sponsored card night to raise funds for our nursing home bingo. (13) Assisted in establishing the West Point Council. (14) Conducted four 1st Degree Exemplifications on April 15 and August 18, 1985 and January 6 and March 3, 1986. (15) Provided food and underclothing for needy at Christmas. (16) Council raffled off a VCR to fund Council.

Community Activities

(1) Council collected over \$2,600 during May Tootsie Roll Drive for local ACT Center. (2) Sponsored program on effect of drugs and diet on cancer. (3) Council hosted its 3rd Mardi Gras dance in February, to benefit the American Center Association, raised over \$700. (4) Conducted a Thanksgiving food drive. (5) Sponsored a toy and clothing drive at Christmas for the local poor. (6) Provided food for ACT Center Christmas Dinner. (7) Sponsored a monthly senior citizen entertainment program at local nursing homes, beginning in January. (8) Provided Right-to-Life literature at local county fair. (9) Donated clothing to the Salvation Army in December. (10) Several Knights participated in nursing home visitation program.

Church Activities

(1) Council presented a chalice and platen to its adopted seminarian. (2) Sponsored a card night to raise funds for priest education. (3) Painted and wallpapered rectory. (4) Conducted Stations of the Cross at Easter. (5) Participated in Corporate Communion quarterly. (6) Sponsored an All Saints Day Mass. (7) Reviewed life of a Saint at business meetings. (8) Cleaned church cellar. (9) Several Knights serve as RCIA teachers, others as CCD instructors. (10) Several Knights serve as lecturers or ministers of hospitality, or as Eucharistic ministers. (11) Several Knights served as teachers in the Reverence for Life Program for adults. (12) Several Knights served on Parish Council. (13) Several Knights assisted as collection counters. (14) Several members were responsible for maintenance of parish property.

In Conclusion

My sincere thanks go to our Chaplain, Fr. James B. O'Riordan, whose strong support has produced such a favorable climate for growth. Also, thanks to the officers, members, their

families and especially our Ladies' Auxiliary, who have all contributed so much in time and energy to help promote Columbianism.

Fraternally submitted,
John D. Krumpas
Grand Knight

SAINT JUDES "CENTENNIAL" COUNCIL NO. 8038

PEARL

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

As our fourth program year is drawing to a close, it is my pleasure to report our officers, chairmen and activities for 1985-1986.

On July 17, 1985, the following officers were duly installed by District Deputy, Steve Mitchell:

Chaplain	Father Tom Boyce
Co-Chaplain	Father John Brock
Grand Knight	Freddie Roberts
Deputy Grand Knight	Randy Hourscht
Chancellor	Bobby Brown
Warden	L.C. Guillotte
Financial Secretary	Chester Bellard
Treasurer	Carl Johnson
Recorder	Carl Ellmo
Advocate	Steve Mitchell
Inside Guard	Dave Callaway
Outside Guard	*Andrew Guillotte
3 Year Trustee	Jimmy Morales
2 Year Trustee	Gordon Cowie
1 Year Trustee	Dan Farrell

*Had to vacate the office due to conflicts with attending college. Brother John Izzard was appointed by the Grand Knight, with the approval of the council, to occupy the office for the remaining few months.

Program Chairman	John McGregor
Membership Chairman	Randy Hourscht
Church Activity	Deacon Frank Agosta
Community Activity	Arthur Raymond
Council Activity	Jimmy Morales
Family Activity	Carl Ellmo
Youth Activity	Craig Ellmo
Vocations	Bobby Brown
Lecturer	John McGregor

Church Activities

(1) Posters, bumper stickers and literature purchased and distributed at all Masses. Posters of the month displayed (on-going). (2) Lay ministry: commentator, Eucharistic ministers, lecturers, ushers and alter servers (on-going). (3) Church grounds cleaned up. Also, weekly lawn and garden

care (on-going). (4) Corporate Communion, quarterly (on-going). (5) Visitation of the sick (on-going). (6) Provide instruction and sponsor Catechumans in the RCIA classes (on-going). (7) Say a decade of the Rosary after each meeting (on-going). (8) Serve on the Parish Council (on-going). (9) 5% of monies received each quarter are donated to the parish. (10) Catechetical Sunday September 15, 1985. (11) Sponsored district wide vocation workshop October 10, 1985. (12) Liturgical workshop September 21, 1985. (13) Rosary Hot Line established October 10, 1985. (14) Christmas gift presented to parish priest December 24, 1985. (15) Nativity scene purchased, erected and maintained throughout the Advent season (December 7, 1985). (16) Contributions made to the Bishop Gerow Memorial Fund, January 1986. (17) Rosary and pamphlets donated to the RCIA class February 5, 1986. (18) Marion Hour of Prayer, the Living Rosary February 23, 1986. (19) Members conduct Adult Religious Education classes (on-going). (20) Members participate and the lead role in the Diocesan Renew Program February, 1986.

Community Activities

(1) Assist elderly with yard work (on-going). (2) Provide uniforms for Special Olympics participants April 1985. (3) Participate in annual Tootsie Roll Drive May 4, 1985. (4) Enrollment of deceased family members of the parish into Sacred Heart Society (on-going). (5) Sell tickets for the Special Olympics (Jackson Mets vs Tulsa baseball game) proceeds given to Special Olympics May 5, 1985. (6) Special Olympics committee in the Council working with area 8 of State Committee. (7) Flag brochures distributed June 5, 1985. (8) Parish Blood Drive to cover blood needs of entire parish November 17, 1985 and February 23, 1986. (9) Participated in Christmas party for Whitfield State Hospital patients December 20, 1985. (10) Prepare and distribute Christmas baskets for the needy December 20, 1985. (11) Drug Abuse and Awareness program conducted by the Mississippi Drug Enforcement Agency January 23, 1986. (12) Members serve on St. Jude Day Care Center school board (on-going).

Council Activities

(1) Publish monthly newsletter (on-going). (2) Bi-monthly bingo (on-going). (3) Provide refreshments for monthly social meetings (on-going). (4) Provide I.D. badges for new Council members (on-going). (5) Per Capita Tax and Council dues were paid for members who were in need of assistance. (6) Participation on the parish Council (on-going). (7) Provide general upkeep of church and day care center (on-going). (8) Certified First Degree Team: Degree held on February 27, December 12, August 25, July 28 and May 19, 1985. (9) Fund raising activity for degree equipment April 21, 1985. (10) Blood pressure check-up for the parish May 18, 1985. (11) Pool party for Council members and their wives June 30, 1985. (12) Installation of Council officers July 17, 1985. (13) Awards Banquet July 29, 1985. (14) White Elephant Sale July 26, 1985. (15) Assisted Brother Knight in the moving of his business to a new location August 25, 1985. (16) Attended School of Columbianism September 15, 1985. (17) Conducted and Insurance Night, Ray Motdakai, speaker September 26, 1985. (18) Attend mid-winter meeting December 8, 1985. (19) Fund raising activity for the billboard, "Keep Christ in Christmas" in December 1985. (20) "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard displayed during the month of December, 1985. (21) Attend and participated in third degree November 3, 1985. (22) Attended and participated in fourth degree February 16, 1986. (23) Knights of Columbus insignia placed in front of Council meeting room February 23, 1986. (24) Preparation in the State Convention to be held on April 25-27, 1986. (25) Adopted Seminarian Joseph Goellner, Jr. and assisted with financial aid. (26) Council softball team sponsored and participated in local church league and Knights of Columbus State Tournament. (27) Fund raiser, raffle a cord of firewood December 12, 1985.

Family Activities

(1) Sent "Get Well" cards to family members of Council (on-going). (2) Sent sympathy cards to bereaved family members of the Council (on-going). (3) Congratulation cards are sent to new parents of the Council (on-going). (4) Parish picnic, planning and participation by the Council

June 9, 1985. (5) Labor Day picnic with the Ladies' Auxiliary September 1, 1985. (6) Respect for Life speaker October 6, 1985. (7) Birth Right speaker October 24, 1985. (8) Turkey dinner with the Ladies' Auxiliary November 24, 1985. (9) Financial assistance was given to a local family in need at Christmas time. (10) Memorial Mass for deceased Knights January 9, 1986. (11) Family of the Month Program (on-going) (12) Family of the Year was selected by the Council and submitted to the State Family Activity Director for his consideration March 31, 1986.

Youth Activities

(1) Graduating seniors of our parish were treated to a breakfast May 26, 1986. (2) Provide teachers for CCD program (on-going) consists of many members. (3) Organized and sponsored two \$100 scholarships to seniors or college age students. (4) Vocation workshop October 5, 1985. (5) Assisted CYO with collection of toys for toy drive December 20, 1985. (6) Assisted Ladies' Auxiliary with birthday party for Jesus, age 7 and under December 20, 1985. (7) Basketball free throw sponsored at parish January 26, 1986. (8) Provided transportation to free throw March 15, 1986. (9) Provide Pro-Life material to high school age students - CCD classes February, 1986.

Fraternally yours,
Freddie A. Roberts
Grand Knight

ST. ALPHONSUS COUNCIL NO. 8054 McCOMB GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On June 29th, 1985, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr.

This function was a banquet held at the Ramada Inn, McComb and in addition to the members and wives, prospective members and spouses, our seminarian scholarship recipient Geno Lee and his family also attended.

The following officers were installed:

Grand Knight	Mike Williams
Deputy Grand Knight	Sammy Casciola
Chancellor	Keith Wall
Recorder	Erich Lehe
	Jim McCoullough
Treasurer	Mitch Bellipanni
Advocate	Charles Donewar
Warden	Mike Scheel
Trustee	Joe Serio
Trustee	Dennis Ott
Trustee	Harry Creagan
Inside Guard	Alfred Bonnabel
Outside Guard	Bill Garner
Chaplain	Rev. Edward Cratin
Financial Secretary	Herman Ditcharo

The following members were appointed to serve as Program Director/Chairman and Committee Chairman:

Program Director	Sammy Casciola
Church Chairman	Keith Wall
Council Chairman	Bill Garner
Community Chairman	Dennis Ott
Youth Chairman	Mike Scheel
Family Life Chairman	Jim Levins
Membership Chairman	Joe Serio

The following activities were accomplished during the fraternal year:

Membership

We have initiated 7 new members to our council this year and 4 of these have been exemplified as 2nd & 3rd degree members. A current list of perspective members was compiled by Joe Serio, the Membership Chairman with the help of Father Don, our Chaplain.

Church Activities

(1) Our vocation program is an annual scholarship of \$500 given to a seminarian in our area. This year's recipient was Geno Lee. (2) The Marion Hour of Prayer was held at St. Alphonsus Church on December 7, 1985. (3) The council provided pallbearers on 5 occasions for the Sisters at St. Mary's of the Pines in Chatawa, Mississippi, a retirement home for nuns. (4) Corporate Communion has been held 3 times at St. Alphonsus Church, once with the CYO & YAC. (5) Sixty percent of our membership serve as ushers, Eucharistic ministers, parish council, prayer group, choir and other church committees. (6) This year the Knights supported the Annual Parish Carnival by erecting booths, selling tickets and running bingo. (7) Raised and donated \$50 to the Ladies Cursillo Jackson No. 32, which several ladies from St. Al's attended and worked. (8) Raised and donated \$1,416.25 to St. Al's from bingo receipts.

Community Activities

(1) Raised and donated over \$1,100 to Pike County Mental Retardation Program through the Tootsie Roll Drive. (2) Held a Drug & Alcohol Abuse Program for CYO and youth. (3) Sponsored supper and bingo for STARS (Singles Together are Really Supportive). (4) Columbus Day radio spots. (5) Present money and trophies to winner of 4-H Dairy Competition in conjunction with County Agriculture Department at Pike County Fair. (6) Raised and donated \$100 to Wheel Chair Fund for Selma Ann Walker at the East McComb Nursing Home. (7) Membership transport senior citizens and handicapped persons to Mass and other functions. (8) Assisted local Exchange Club in fund raiser for K.C. member in distress, "Chick Haffey." (9) Gave supplies and instruction to North Pike School District officials on the use of our bingo equipment for fund raiser for band equipment. (10) Raised and donated \$756.25 to the St. Al Day Care Center and Nursery from bingo receipts.

Council Activities

(1) A county nurse gave orientation on Community Health Programs and took members' blood pressures. (2) Insurance agent, Roy Mordica presented insurance program to members and wives. (3) Held fund raising Bar-B-Q for families of deceased members. (4) Organized and certified first degree team. (5) Conducted four 1st degree exemplifications initiating 11 new from our council and Brookhaven council. (6) Visited councils at Pearl, Vicksburg, Jackson, Bay St. Louis and Brookhaven in connection with initiations. (7) Held installation of officers and awards banquet. (8) Conducted 22 bingos on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays to raise money for various activities. (9) Three members attended District Meeting in Brookhaven. (10) Held Christmas party for members and perspective members and their wives.

Youth Activities

(1) Raised and donated \$400 to CYO to attend their National Convention. (2) Sponsored CYO lock-in at Ligouri Hall. (3) Assist CYO in raising money for their projects by letting them run the concession at our bingos. (4) Sponsored local Brownie Troop. (5) Assisted CYO in conducting a bingo as fund raiser. (6) Conducted Free Throw contest. (7) Assisted & sponsored CYO in building and preparing Christmas Float for entry in local Christmas parade. (8) Conducted Corporate Communion with CYO & YAC. (9) Presented \$500 to seminarian Geno Lee.

Family Life Activities

(1) Conducted memorial services for deceased members Charles Brill, Henry Vanderlip and John Herbert. (2) Conducted Pro-Life program for parish and community with guest speakers Bill Conlee, President of Mississippi Right-to-Life and Mrs. Ann Orr, President of Birthright of Jackson.

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as Grand Knight of Council No. 8054 this year. I want to thank all the officers and chairmen and Brother Knights that worked so hard to make this a successful year.

Respectfully submitted
Mike Williams
Grand Knight

COUNCIL NO. 8285
ST. THERESE
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 8760
HOLLY SPRINGS
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 8848
TUPELO
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 8912
CORINTH
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 9094
NORTH BILOXI
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 9124
GAUTIER
(No Report Submitted)

COUNCIL NO. 9234
INDIANOLA
(No Report Submitted)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL
82ND ANNUAL
STATE CONVENTION

STATE OFFICERS

State Chaplain	Rev. Francis J. Scott
State Deputy	Wiley Price, Jr.
State Secretary	Dennis E. Ladnier, Sr.
State Treasurer	Joseph B. Goellner, Sr.
State Advocate	Daniel C. Farrell
State Warden	Marvin L. Lott
Immediate Past State Deputy	Robert Fratesi

COUNCIL DELEGATES

802 Meridian	John J. Maloney	Tom Zettler
848 Jackson	Joseph H. Miller	Bob Lambert
898 Vicksburg	Bernard Theobald	Alfred E. McDevitt
1034 Natchez	Richard W. Spence	Mike Biglane
1244 Biloxi	Mark S. Blackmon	Gerald W. Rose
1522 Bay St. Louis	Robert Hubbard III	Carl A. Arnold
1583 Gulfport	Dominic P. DeNicola	Charlie Underwood
1605 Pascagoula	A.T. Huyett	John W. Cox
1908 Hattiesburg	Tommy Rocconi	Johnny Stevens
2134 Greenville	J. Charles Ammons	Carl Westenhoeffer, Sr.
2180 Laurel	George Harrison	Richard Hollingsworth
2945 Leland	Charlie Marino	Leon Shapley
2969 Clarksdale	Jim Glover	Miro Ferracci
4472 Pass Christian	Joseph L. Ladner	Edward Warner
4898 Long Beach	Charles Mink	John Smith
5267 Greenwood	Dale Tackett	Jesse Quinn, Jr.
5556 Cleveland	Gary Gainspocketti	Albert Rocconi, Jr.
5654 Ocean Springs	Robert Foster, Sr.	Clarence Beech
6592 Bassfield	David Davis	Charles Car
6872 Picayune	Don Arcement	Nicholas Wagner
7087 Kiln	Jody Knight	O.J. Shiyou
7120 Southhaven	Fred Ward	Ken Lubbers
7211 Lumberton	Frank W. Niemeyer, Jr.	Donald Oldmixon
7854 Clinton	Fredie J. Callegan	Charles F. Collins
7910 Gulfport (Orange Grove)	James W. Dunnigan	J.P. Casse Thompson
7915 Brookhaven	Joseph F. Bonfiglio	Clarence Huston
7974 Columbus	John Krumpas	Frank Buchholz
8038 Pearl	Freddie A. Roberts	Gordon R. Cowie
8054 McComb	Michael Williams	Harry A. Creagan
8285 Jackson (St. Therese)	Gerry Clark	Joe Marsh
8760 Holly Springs	Claude L. Vinson, Sr.	Lloyd L. Taylor
8848 Tupelo	Gene Ingram	Larry L. Muffley
8912 Corinth	Jack J. Hora	Matthew Sczarnecki
9094 North Biloxi	Thomas C. Timmons	Tom Creel
9124 Gautier	Joseph Furlan	Mike Martin

DISTRICT DEPUTIES

District No. 1 Larry Campbell
District No. 2 Stanley M. Swentkowski
District No. 3 Steve Mitchell
District No. 4 Michael A. Russell
District No. 5 (sick) Joseph W. Sero
District No. 6 Gilbert O'Flynn
District No. 7 Gregory L. Niolet
District No. 8 Harry L. Steinwinder

PAST STATE DEPUTIES

John P. Myers
Hilton A. Seymour
Fred L. Westbrook, Jr. (sick)
Norman L. Kiehm
Jesse J. Quinn
Dave Atteberry
Rodney Sandoz
Donald Oldmixon (listed as a Delegate)
Robert Fratesi (listed as a State Officer)
Dr. William F. LaForge

HONORARY STATE CHAPLAINS

Bishop Joseph B. Brunini (not in attendance)
Bishop Joseph L. Howze
Bishop William D. Houck

Respectfully submitted
Dennis Ladner, Sr.
Joseph Miller
Gerald Rose
Leon Shapley
Bernard Theobald

STATE DEPUTY'S REPORT

The State Deputy's report for the fraternal year 1985-1986 will concern itself with our accomplishments and our failures. Briefly I shall give you an account of my stewardship of the office with which you have entrusted me. This report will deal in general terms and will not necessarily refer to all councils on all points. Therefore I ask you to listen attentively to this report, taking special note of those items that might apply to your council or area.

Immediately following the election of State Officers at the 81st Annual State Convention, I completed my State Secretary's duties by compiling information for and the printing of the Annual State Convention minutes. Then I took on the task of putting together a State Family of District Deputies, State Directors and State Chairmen who would be dedicated to the Knights of Columbus in carrying out its goal. These Knights were selected and immediately started to perform their duties with great enthusiasm.

Being newly elected, I was required to attend a training seminar for newly elected State Deputies in New Haven, Connecticut. The seminar commenced on Wednesday, June 5th and ended on Thursday, June 6, 1985. On Friday, June 7th through Sunday, June 9th, I attended the general meeting with the re-elected State Deputies and the Board of Directors. The business sessions were helpful in providing an overview of projected programs and an explanation of administrative and general procedures for the upcoming year. Saturday evening, I had the opportunity to attend Mass at St. Mary's Church and was privileged to sit in the pew that was allocated to the Mississippi State Council.

The Annual organizational meeting was held at the Holiday Inn, Northeast in Meridian on the weekend of July 20 and 21st, 1985. The organizational meeting was attended by the State family. The information I gathered in New Haven, along with the State projects was passed on to all in attendance. The formal installation of State Officers was held on the same weekend as the organizational meeting and was performed by his Excellency William R. Houck, Bishop of Jackson.

The Schools of Columbianism were held again this year and were incorporated with the District meetings. Two Districts were combined for this meeting. The Schools of Columbianism were a success again this year, but some Councils were unable to attend any of the schools that were held. However, too much information is being condensed for it to be presented in one day. Very important information whether it might be minor or major is being omitted. The Schools of Columbianism should be held over a two day period. Perhaps, in the near future, a two day meeting might be incorporated and we would hold one School in the Northern part of the state and another in the Southern part of the state.

Your State Deputy along with the Immediate Past State Deputy Robert Fratesi, Fourth Degree Master Paulino Carrubba, and the State Secretary Joseph Goellner, Sr. represented this jurisdiction as delegates to the Supreme Council meeting held in Washington, D.C. on August 6 thru 8, 1985. Along with other Mississippi Knights and their wives who attended, we found this experience to be informative and inspirational.

Your State Deputy also attended the Supreme mid-winter meeting held in Hollywood, Florida on November 22 thru 24, 1985. This meeting was a combined meeting of State Deputies, Supreme Directors, and Insurance Agency personnel. More information on the "Grow With Us" campaign was presented to us. At this mid-winter meeting, Bishop Charles Greco was honored and was presented with the Vivat Jesus Third Degree Pin. The motto "Vivat Jesus" is Bishop Greco's personal motto which he has been using since his ordination to the priesthood. Each member in attendance was presented with a Vivat Jesus Third Degree Pin.

With regard to resolutions adopted or presented at the 81st Annual State Convention which call for action on the part of the State Deputy, I will report on the following disposition. Concerning Resolution No. 1 calling for the amendment to the Supreme By-Laws on the wearing of jewels and social baldric: the Supreme Board of Directors rejected the Resolution. Resolution No. 11 adopted at the 81st Annual State Convention that section 118 (a) be amended by deleting from its text the sentence that reads "for members entering under 26 years of age, the initiation fee shall not exceed \$10.00" was also rejected. Mississippi was not the only jurisdiction that submitted this resolution. Michigan and Rhode Island also submitted the same resolution.

On the State of the Order in Mississippi, I would like to focus attention on several areas of concern. The first area is membership. I will leave a more detailed report to the State Membership Director, but there are a few figures that I would like to pass on to you. The membership as

of last year at convention was 4332 members and we had acquired enough associate members to gain one additional delegate to the Supreme Convention. The final standings as of June 30, 1985, was 4393 members. We came very close to losing our fourth delegate to the Supreme Convention. As of June 30, 1985, for last year we recorded a net gain of 137 members after suspensions. The membership figures as of April 1, 1986 from Supreme is as follows: gained 304 members, 167 members lost thru suspension giving us a net gain of 137 members. This results in an overall state-wide membership of 4530. We started this fraternal year with several normal suspensions. Normal suspensions the local councils and State Council can absorb. Whenever a council has a mass of bulk suspension, however, they deal a devastating blow that their council, the State nor the Knights of Columbus Order as a whole can overcome. If we continue having these mass suspensions, we will lose our fourth delegate to the Supreme Convention.

At the beginning of this fraternal year, your State Deputy established four major goals: membership, new councils, ceremonials and vocations. The goal for ceremonials was that all councils in the Mississippi jurisdiction have their own admission degree team and at the present time this goal has not been accomplished. I am proud to announce, however, that two of our most recently instituted councils, 9094 and 9124 are working on their Admission Degree Team and hope to have them certified very shortly. We still have only one Formation Degree Team, located at Council 1244 in Biloxi, and one Knighthood Degree Team, located at Council 1605 in Pascagoula. More Formation and Knighthood Degree Teams are needed in the Mississippi Jurisdiction. Every time I write to the Supreme Knight to get his permission to use the Knighthood Degree Team from a neighboring State Council, I get the same answer - get another Knighthood Degree Team from Mississippi. The thorn that the Immediate Past State Deputy had in his side for not having another Knighthood Degree Team has been passed to your present State Deputy. The expense to bring our own Knighthood Degree Team to the northern part of the state is almost prohibitive.

One of the major goals that was established has been accomplished and that is New Council Development. Father Patrick McAlpine Council No. 9094 was instituted on October 12, 1985 in North Biloxi and Brother Clement M. Landry was elected as their first Grand Knight. On November 11, 1985, St. Mary's Council No. 9124 was instituted in Gautier and Brother Joseph B. Furlan was elected as their charter Grand Knight. On February 27, 1986, Indianola Council No. 9234 was instituted and Brother Joel Dean was elected as their first Grand Knight. Other areas that are being pursued are West Point which will be instituted before this fraternal year is over. Areas that show great possibility are Waveland, Grenada, the Jackson vicinity and other cities. Council No. 3328 in Yazoo City is still trying to be saved. There is a good possibility that this Council can be salvaged and will become active again.

The state program participation has been satisfactory. A more detailed report will be given by the Program Director. Only fifteen councils participated in the Supreme Family of the Month program and thirteen Brother Knights were selected Supreme monthly winners. Another program that your State Deputy listed as one of the major goals is vocations. A more detailed report will be given by the Vocations Chairman. Two vocations programs were put on - one in the northern part of the state and the other in the southern part. Both vocations programs were not as big a success as we had hoped because of lack of participation in the program.

The Council Fraternal Activities Survey Forms submitted to Supreme this year were not as good as last year. Last year there was 100% participation. This year four councils failed to submit the form to Supreme. The importance of this report cannot be over emphasized. In compiling the forms that were submitted, Mississippi donated \$361,208 and 149,000 man hours to charity. Mississippi showed an increase in monetary donations and in man hour donations to charity

from the previous year in comparison to the number of councils we had. I think this is outstanding and I congratulate all of you on this.

Twenty-eight (28) Councils have submitted their July 1985 audit reports and nine (9) councils have failed to submit them. Twenty-nine (29) submitted their January 1986 audit reports and nine (9) councils did not. Your State Deputy did not expect and audit report from the three new councils, but we should have had 100% participation from the remaining councils.

This past year Supreme individual Council Awards for fraternal year 1984-85 were presented. The Mississippi State Jurisdiction had 17 councils of its 39 to receive an award. Four (4) councils received the Columbian Award, two (2) councils received the Founders Award, four (4) received the Father McGivney Award and several (7) councils received the Star Council Award. These councils, Biloxi, Greenville, Laurel, Leland, Ocean Springs, Pascagoula and Pearl are congratulated for this achievement. The participation in these awards programs are great, however, we can certainly improve and increase the number of winners with a little additional effort. There was an increase, however, of four (4) councils receiving the Star Council Award this past fraternal year.

The state newsletter, The Magnolia Knight, is being published and mailed every month. Information received to be published is on a tremendous decline and now we are faced again this year with a decision as to its future existence. I will leave a more detailed report to our Public Relations Chairman later in the Convention at which time recommendations will be made.

I have visited as many councils and districts as possible within the time allowable from other responsibilities. The councils that I have visited have shown me a great deal of hospitality and I appreciate all of your efforts in this regard. The office of State Deputy is always open for an invitation to any council function. I do encourage all councils in the Mississippi Jurisdiction to invite not only the State Deputy, but any of the State Officers to any function they may have.

In closing I would like to express my thanks to those who worked with me over the past year, the State Officers, State Directors, State Chairmen, Grand Knights and especially the District Deputies. This year has been rewarding and educational. It has given me the opportunity to come into contact with hard working, dedicated Christian men both nationally and locally. I would also like to express my appreciation to the Bishops of this state for their full support in all of our endeavors. And finally I am grateful to all of the Knights in the State of Mississippi for the opportunity you have given me to serve you as your State Deputy this year. May God bless all of my Brother Knights and the Blessed Mother watch over all of you.

Vivat Jesus,
Wiley Price, Jr.
State Deputy

STATE SECRETARY REPORT

Status of membership by council in Mississippi as of April 1986, as compared with total as of April 1, 1985. Figures are based on monthly report of membership from Supreme Council.

Councils	1985	1986	Increase	Decrease
802 Meridian	137	141	4	
848 Jackson	127	128	1	
898 Vicksburg	322	325	3	
1034 Natchez	233	225		8
1244 Biloxi	431	396		35
1522 Bay St. Louis	179	193	14	
1583 Gulfport	364	351		13
1605 Pascagoula	347	325		22
1908 Hattiesburg	130	125		5
2134 Greenville	271	239		32
2180 Laurel	78	82	4	
2945 Leland	59	66	7	
2969 Clarksdale	214	212		2
3328 Yazoo City	59	58		1
4472 Pass Christian	49	49		
4898 Long Beach	140	140		
5267 Greenwood	85	88	3	
5556 Cleveland	106	104		2
5654 Ocean Springs	136	146	10	
6555 Shelby	43	44	1	
6592 Bassfield	102	101		1
6765 Starkville	30	29		1
6872 Picayune	56	66	10	
7087 Kiln	70	53		17
7120 Southaven	59	34		25
7211 Lumberton	56	58	2	
7854 Clinton	57	58	1	
7910 Gulfport (OG)	68	72	4	
7915 Brookhaven	41	44	3	
7974 Columbus	67	68	1	
8038 Pearl	62	69	7	
8054 McComb	50	51	1	
8285 St. Therese	54	85	31	
8760 Holly Springs	35	35		
8848 Tupelo	49	57	8	
8912 Corinth	25	26	1	
9094 North Biloxi	0	58		
9124 Gautier	0	43		
9234 Indianola	0	31		
TOTALS	4401	4473	116	164

A net gain of 72 members is reflected by this report. Included are 1404 Insurance Members and 3069 Associated Members. Also included in these totals are 94 Honorary Members, 345 Honorary Life Members and 316 Inactive Members. Several councils show a large loss of members, but new councils were organized in their area.

The following name members have been reported by their council as deceased since our last convention.

802 Meridian

Dr. A.J. Santangeld
Joseph M. Corrigan

848 Jackson

Thomas J. Collins
Garlan H. Langhlin
John Rack

898 Vicksburg

Robert C. Wilkerson
John L. Cunningham
Edward Lucchesi
William M. Howell
Richard J. Pichetto

1244 Biloxi

Edward D. Kersh, Sr.
Chester R. Wescovich
Gen. John A. O'Keefe, P.S.D.
John T. Collins
Walter E. Ross, Jr.
John E. Bertucci

2134 Greenville

Edward Bradbera
Louis Keller

5654 Ocean Springs

Rev. Benedict J. Roberts
Glen B. Flick
Ambrose Fayard

7211 Lumberton

Roy Nonenmacher

7915 Brookhaven

Terrell B. Martin

8054 McComb

Claude "Chick" Haffey

1522 Bay St. Louis

J. Norton Haas, Jr.
Melba D. Rutherford
Milton L. Durel

1605 Pascagoula

C.L. Davis
Alton W. Mansfield
Joe McQuade
Ivan Murray
Bernard B. Walker, Sr.

4472 Pass Christian

John G. Simpson
William McDonald

4898 Long Beach

Fr. John O'Connor
Sewell Carver

5267 Greenwood

James L. Howard
Ellis M. Joseph

6592 Bassfield

Charles D. Daley
William C. Sullivan
Ernest H. Sylvest

7440 Philadelphia

Candy Thomas

7974 Columbus

Normand G. Belhumeur (Gus)

9094 North Biloxi

Carroll Batia

1583 Gulfport

L.M. Mensi
Charles Sizemore, Sr.
William McInney

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis E. Ladnier, Sr.
State Secretary

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
JULY 1, 1985 TO APRIL 1, 1986

CASH RECEIVED

Advance to open new account	\$ 4,000.00
Balance forward from previous year	10,391.02
1985 State Convention advance returned	500.00
1985 State Convention net income	1,456.88
1985 State Summer Meeting meal rebate	375.00
Per Capita Tax - Aug. 1985 - Feb. 1986	19,442.29
State Vocations Workshop net rebate	35.65
Supplies reimbursement from NCD	25.00
Interest on SuperNow checking account	509.56
TOTAL	\$36,735.40

EXPENDITURES

New check order	\$ 50.00
Magnolia Knight	1,907.62
State Summer Meeting adm. expense	225.55
State Summer Meeting meals - State Family	590.60
State Summer Meeting - mileage & lodging	1,944.82
Mass STIPEND - Inst. of state officers	25.00
1985 State Convention minute book printing	2,756.00
State Deputy supplies	734.32
State Officer - postage & phone	392.28
State Officer - travel	475.07
State Program Committee	215.29
State Vocations Committee	208.18
State New Council Development Committee	917.49
State Convention Committee	402.37
State Directory printing & postage	165.00
State Mid-Year Meeting - mileage	625.32
State Mid-Year Meeting - meals for State Family	95.00
New Council Development Kits	32.98
Subscription - Gulf Pine Catholic - St. Deputy	10.00
1985 State Convention - mileage & per diem (2 checks re-issued)	182.00
Miscellaneous expense	191.44
TOTAL	\$12,146.33

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE AS OF 4-01-86 **\$24,589.07**

STATE ADVOCATE'S REPORT

During the past year it was my duty as State Advocate to give advice on matters pertaining to by-laws, constitution and rules and laws of our Order and to attend various state and council functions throughout the state.

Activities that I had the pleasure of attending were:

1. Installation of State Officers and organizational meeting held in Meridian, Mississippi on July 20th, 1985.
2. Exemplification of Second and Third Degrees in Vicksburg and Gulfport.
3. Attended several meetings of the 1986 Convention Committee assisting the General Convention Chairman in the planning stages. Worked with Program Ad Book Chairman and coordinated detailed plans for the Masses with Father Frank Cosgrove as advised by the Bishop.
4. Attended the State Council Mid-Year Meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on December 8th, 1985.
5. Attended the Annual Awards Banquet at Council 1605, Pascagoula.
6. Worked in conjunction with P.S.D. Don Oldmixon concerning new council development.
7. Participated in the Schools of Columbianism held in Tupelo and Bassville.
8. Participated in the exemplification of the fourth degree held in Jackson in the month of February.

Requests for advice or information during the past year covered the following:

1. Situation concerning the practical Catholicity of a member.
2. Requirement of candidates for membership in our Order.
3. Information concerning method of payment of dues and what amounts are proper.

Those of you who attended the 1985 Convention will recall that the record of local council by-laws was brought to your attention. Since then I have received several copies of council by-laws, but as of this report there are 50% of the councils have not forwarded a copy for the state's record.

Of the twenty that we have, eleven are older than five years, the recommended period of time for review and update. Very possibly there are councils that have reviewed their by-laws periodically, but if the State Office has not been informed, they have no way of knowing if each council's by-laws have stayed abreast of changes instituted at the Supreme or State level.

When you return home, please have your Financial Secretary mail me a copy of your by-laws, and I would urge all Grand Knights to schedule a review of their by-laws for the update.

The following are those councils that have not submitted a copy to me:

Jackson 848	Leland 2945	Starkville 6795
Vicksburg 898	Clarksdale 2969	McComb 8054
Natchez 1034	Yazoo City 3328	Holly Springs 8760
Biloxi 1244	Cleveland 5556	Corinth 8912
Gulfport 1583	Shelby 6555	St. Mary's 9124
Greenville 2134	Bassfield 6592	Fr. Patrick McAlpine 9094

The State Advocate's position has been very interesting and very definitely an experience that

requires one to pay close attention to the Constitution and By-laws of our Order. Although I feel we have made much progress this past year, I am convinced there is much more to be done. Particularly, I would recommend a greater participation of all elected council officers in the Schools of Columbianism so that they may fully understand the importance of their duties and to update council by-laws every four to five years. Certainly this can only improve the councils' development in the years ahead.

It has been rewarding and indeed a pleasure to serve my Brother Knights this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan Farrell
State Advocate

STATE WARDEN'S REPORT

After my election as your State Warden at the 1985 State Convention in Meridian, Mississippi, I attended the installation of the State Officers in Meridian in July.

August 3, I had the pleasure of going to Tupelo for the School of Columbianism. In mid-August I went to Pascagoula for the State Softball Tournament to watch some of the games. It was a real pleasure to be among Brother Knights and their families and enjoy the hospitality of the host council.

In September, I attended the School of Columbianism in Greenville. It was a very good meeting and the attendance was very good.

In October, I visited the Leland, Clarksdale and Greenwood councils. The hospitality of each of these councils was great and the feeling of Columbianism was strong.

In November, I attended a First Degree in Greenville. Later in November, I attended Insurance Night at Leland. Brother Henry Mosco presented a very informative insurance program and Leland's turnout was good.

In December, I was unable to attend the Mid-Winter Meeting of State Officers due to being on my Cursillo in Greenville. There were many Brother Knights at this 3-day religious encounter. Also in December, I attended a Second and Third Degree initiation at Pascagoula. It was very exciting to see so many young men go through initiation and become Knights. Also on the trip down, I had the pleasure to visit Picayune Council.

In January, I enjoyed returning to Greenville to a First Degree initiation. I also visited Clarksdale and Greenwood Councils.

In February, I visited Clarksdale Council for a supper and dance for the 1986 Bowling Tournament. I enjoyed seeing many old friends and many new Knights.

In April, I had the enjoyment of going to Pascagoula for the Annual Awards Banquet and being with the other State Officers and Brother Knights at this annual function.

In the past year I have had the pleasure of working with many Brother Knights and meeting many more. The experiences I have had this year as the Mississippi Knights of Columbus State Warden have been very rewarding. Not only have I enjoyed the fraternal life with Brother Knights throughout the state, by my local council, Cleveland, has given me much pride and satisfaction in knowing how much can be accomplished as a group. I wish to thank my home council for their support and for putting my name before you for State Warden. I am proud to have been a part of the team of State Officers for Mississippi this past year.

To close, I wish to thank each and every Knight in this state for the honor and opportunity to have served as your State Warden for the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin L. Lott
State Warden

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT NO. 1

District No. 1 of the Mississippi Jurisdiction is a new district this fraternal year and is made up of four councils. These councils are: Southaven (7120); Tupelo (8848); Holly Springs (8760); and Corinth (8912). The last three councils are new councils. My first official act as District Deputy of District No. 1 was to install officers for the Southaven Council. This was done on July 1. This installation was held in the parish hall of Christ the King Church in Southaven and was well attended. On July 20 and 21, I attended the summer organizational meeting along with other district deputies, state officers and state committee people. On August 3, the Tupelo Council hosted our District School of Columbianism. The school was attended by representatives from: Southaven, Corinth and Columbus. Also in attendance were four of our state officers led by State Deputy Wiley Price. Also in attendance were Henry Mosco, our General Agent and Thomas Zettler, our State Program Director. The highlight of the school was the "mock council meeting" held to demonstrate to our new councils some of the techniques and protocol for a business meeting. Our brothers in Tupelo provided us with an enjoyable dinner after the school and were most hospitable throughout the day. On August 3, I attended an officers' meeting in Holly Springs. The major topic of discussion was a plan to get this new council functioning. The meeting was led by the newly elected Grand Knight. Plans were also discussed for installing officers and presenting the council with its charter.

On October 6, I was present in Memphis at Council 5062 to welcome Knights from Mississippi who were there to receive their 2nd and 3rd Degrees. On October 14 (Columbus Day), I traveled to Eudora, Mississippi along with members of Council 7120 in Southaven to the school for retarded children as the proceeds of the council's drive were presented. On October 20, I again traveled to Holly Springs for officer installation and charter presentation. I was honored to have Past State Deputy Robert Fratesi present to make the charter presentation.

On August 26, I traveled to Corinth, Mississippi to attend an officers' organizational meeting. At this meeting we discussed the various possibilities for the Knights to serve in the Corinth area. We also discussed the upcoming officer installation and charter presentation.

On December 1, I traveled to Holly Springs, Mississippi to attend a council meeting to discuss misunderstandings with regard to the exemplification of the Fourth Degree. On December 8, I attended the Mid-Winter Meeting in Jackson. On January 5, Holly Springs hosted our district meeting. The Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries of each council were in attendance along with other officials and members. Many topics were discussed among those being: the retardation drive, Convention 1986 and Convention 1988 to be held in Tupelo. On February 16, I traveled to Corinth for a 1st Degree Exemplification, officer installation and charter presentation. This was a well planned affair and very well attended.

Be assured that this year has been most rewarding in being able to meet and come to know some terrific people who are new to Columbianism in Mississippi. Working with these Brother Knights and their families has convinced me that Columbianism has a tremendous potential in North Mississippi.

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT DISTRICT NO. 2

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as District Deputy of District Two in the State of Mississippi. This year District Two was composed of Councils 2134 Greenville; 2945 Leland; 2969 Clarksdale; 5556 Cleveland; and 6555 Shelby.

Officers of each Council were installed as prescribed by the rules of our Order. Greenville was installed on July 3, 1985; Cleveland on July 23, 1985; Leland on July 30, 1985; Clarksdale on August 15, 1985; and Shelby on August 18, 1985. Each installation of officers was followed by a meal for all members and their families. The attendance at all the installations was excellent.

A district meeting was held in Clarksdale on August 25, 1985, with good attendance from four of the five councils in the district. Only an unavoidable conflict prevented attendance from one of our councils. The district meeting was felt to be informative with a variety of speakers from various councils presenting programs in the area of their expertise.

A School of Columbianism was held in conjunction with District Three at Council 2134 in Greenville. The Greenville Council did an exceptional job of hosting the meeting. The meeting was well attended. Again we were privileged to have excellent speakers from both District Two and Three which made the information presented worthwhile and meaningful. My appreciation goes out to Brother Steve Mitchell, the District Deputy of District Three for his help in organizing the program. The highlight of this meeting was the contribution made by our Worth State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr., who inspired us with his words on Columbianism.

The first exemplification in the District took place on September 29, 1985, at Council 2969 in Clarksdale. Council 7120 from Southaven performed the First Degree Exemplification. Since that time Council 2134 of Greenville has held First Degree Exemplifications on October 2, 1985; January 15, 1986; and February 27, 1986. Council 2945 of Leland has held First Degree Exemplifications on December 18, 1985 and March 5, 1986. At present District Two has two councils with First Degree Teams, Council 2134 of Greenville and Council 2945 of Leland. I am happy to state that both Councils 2969 of Clarksdale and 5556 of Cleveland are actively pursuing a First Degree Team.

I had the privilege to present the Star Council Award to Councils 2134 of Greenville and 2945 of Leland. I also was able to present the Columbian Award to Council 2969 Clarksdale. Our Immediate Past State Deputy Robert Fratesi was also presented the top Proposer Award for Council 2134 Greenville. The District was also graced to have the families of Joey Agostinelli of Council 2134 of Greenville and Jerry W. Santucci of Council 2945 of Leland selected randomly in the "Grow With Us" campaign. The families received handcrafted Holy Family Plaques for their homes. Your District Deputy was also honored by having his name randomly drawn in the "Grow With Us" campaign for recruiting a new member. The award turned out to be a well needed WeedEater.

Council 2969 of Clarksdale was the host for the Northern Vocations Workshop in January 12, 1986. A host of excellent speakers highlighted by presentations from Brothers Joe Goellner, Jr., and his Father Joe Goellner, Sr., helped allow those who attended to leave with a new commitment and concept of vocations in the religious life, married life, and single status.

February, 1986, was an exciting month in District Two for two reasons. On February 22-23, 1986, Council 2969 of Clarksdale hosted the Knights of Columbus State Bowling Tournament. Twenty-one teams were present to make this one of the most successful tournaments in the state history. Good fellowship and brotherhood were shared by all. A special treat was the presence of our State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr.

The other event which made February memorable was the institution of a new council at Immaculate Conception Parish in Indianola, Mississippi. Twenty-three new Knights were installed on February 27, 1986. Transfers and reapplications raised the number to thirty-two on that night. The Indianola Council has been given the number 9234. I want to give special thanks to Brother Don Oldmixon, our State New Council Development Chairman, and our Immediate Past State Deputy Brother Robert Fratesi for their influential help in developing this Council. Special thanks also goes out to the Degree Team from Council 2134 in Greenville who graciously performed a memorable First Degree Exemplification on February 27, 1986.

At this time I would like to thank the Grand Knights of my District for the cooperation and brotherhood they have shown me on my visits to their councils. Without a doubt the Spirit of Columbianism is alive in District Two.

In summary, I would like to thank our State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr., for the honor he bestowed on me by appointing me District Deputy.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanley Swentkowski
District Deputy
District No. 2

DISTRICT DEPUTY REPORT DISTRICT NO. 3

It has been my privilege and honor to serve as District Deputy of District No. 3 which consisted of: John T. Savage Council No. 848, Jackson; James A. Moses Council No. 3328, Yazoo City;

Holy Savior Council No. 7854, Clinton; St. Jude's Centennial Council No. 8038, Pearl; and St. Therese Council No. 8285, Jackson.

I attended the installation of state officers and state deputy's meeting held in Meridian on July 20 and 21, 1985.

The installation of council officers were conducted as follows: Council No. 8038, Pearl on July 17, 1985; Council No. 8285, Jackson on July 22, 1985; Council No. 7854, Clinton on July 23, 1985; and Council No. 848, Jackson on July 28, 1985.

I attended the Mid-Winter Meeting in Jackson on December 8, 1985.

A district meeting was held at Council No. 8038 in Pearl on August 18, 1985 and was well attended.

School of Columbianism was held on September 15, 1985 in Greenville for districts 2 and 3, it was well attended. I also attended the School of Columbianism held in Bassfield on September 22, 1985.

The First Degree Team from Pearl No. 8038 has conducted the admission degree several times this past year, all of which I have attended.

I was invited to and attended the installation of officers of the new Ladies' Auxiliary in Pearl on August 22, 1985.

I presented the Star Council Award to Council No. 8038, Pearl. I presented the Columbian Award to Council No. 8285, also presented Top Proposer Award from Supreme to Grand Knight Freddie Roberts for his efforts in recruitment.

According to the report I get from Supreme, the four (4) Councils in the Jackson Metro Area have attained their quotas for both membership and insurance as of March 1, 1986.

I wish to express my appreciation to each council and its members in District Three who made my job easy. Also, a special thanks to St. Jude's Centennial Council No. 8038 for hosting the District Meeting. Once again, thanks.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Mitchell
District Deputy
District No. 3

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT NO. 4

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as District Deputy for District 4 consisting of Council No. 802, Meridian; Council No. 5267, Greenwood; Council No. 6756, Starkville; and Council No. 7974, Columbus.

All council officers were installed in the prescribed time as defined in the duties of the District Deputy. I visited all councils quarterly and found them to be conducting council meetings in the manner prescribed by Supreme.

I attended the installation of State Officers during the month of July in Meridian and conducted two district meetings in Columbus in July, 1985 and January, 1986.

I have been working with Past State Deputy, Don Oldmixon, in helping to develop a new council in West Point. The parish priest is very interested in forming a council in West Point, and the Columbus Council is assisting them in all areas. Hopefully, they will be chartered in the next couple of months.

I have attended a 1st degree exemplification in Columbus and Meridian in March, 1986.

Plans are underway to hold a 2nd & 3rd degree exemplification in Tupelo in May to encompass as many northern area councils as possible. I am working with Larry Campbell, District Deputy No. 1, to accomplish this task.

All councils in my district have pledged their full support in the membership drive that is currently being conducted.

I am pleased to announce that John Maloney received Top Proposer Award in Council No. 802, Meridian.

I would like to thank all officers and councils for the hospitality and cooperation they extended to me and any member who accompanied me.

I wish to thank State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. for allowing me to be District Deputy this year. This year has been a learning experience in the total workings of our Order.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael A. Russell
District Deputy
District No. 4

DISTRICT DEPUTY NO. 5
(No Report Submitted)

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT
DISTRICT NO. 6

It is an honor to be a member of the state family serving as a district deputy for the past three

years. The councils in district no. 6 are as follows:
1908 Hattiesburg; 2180 Laurel; 6592 Bassfield; 6872 Picayune; 7211 Lumberton.

The special olympics in Hattiesburg was in May of last year, and will be there again this year. They sponsor the softball part of the olympics.

All officers were installed in the first two months of the new year. Things in the district could be going a lot better in some councils, but seem to be going very good in others.

Respectfully submitted,
Gilbert L. O'Flynn
District Deputy
District No. 6

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT NO. 7

District No. 7 is comprised of Councils 1522, Bay St. Louis; 1583, Gulfport; 4472, Pass Christian; 4898, Long Beach; and 7087, Kiln.

The duly elected officers of the Councils of District No. 7 were all installed during the month of July. The installation ceremonies were all well attended. A district meeting in conjunction with a School of Columbianism was held in Gulfport in January. All councils with the exception of Bay St. Louis and the Kiln Councils were in attendance at this meeting. During September it was my pleasure to present the Columbian Award to the Kiln Council. In December I presented the Supreme Vocations Award to the Bay St. Louis Council.

All councils were visited several times during the year and the required audits were held. All councils were found to be very active and strong leadership was apparent. Probably the most urgent need in the councils of district no. 7 is the need for more prolonged and stronger membership drives and more attention paid to the retention of members.

In March I sanctioned the First Degree Team of the Long Beach Council. Long Beach and Gulfport councils now have First Degree Teams.

I wish to thank the officers of the councils of the district for their excellent cooperation and for the courtesy extended to me and my wife during this past year.

I also wish to thank our Worthy State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. for allowing me to serve as District Deputy. It has been pleasure and an honor to serve under him in the spread of Columbianism.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Niolet
District Deputy
District No. 7

**DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT
DISTRICT NO. 8**

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as District Deputy of District 8, consisting of Biloxi Council 1244, Pascagoula Council 1605, Ocean Springs Council 5654, Orange Grove Council 7910, North Biloxi Council 9094 and Gautier Council 9124.

My first duty as District Deputy was to install the officers of Pascagoula Council 1605 on July 9; Ocean Springs Council 5654 on July 10; and Biloxi Council 1244 on July 11, 1985. My next duty was to attend the State Meeting in Meridian on July 20-21 at which time I witnessed the installation of our present State Officers. I installed the officers of Orange Grove 7910 at a Mass on July 26, 1985. This duty being performed, gave the 4 original Councils of District 8 installed officers in accord with the outlines set down by the Supreme Council.

Then came the work. With the help of Field Agent Michael Leleaux and Father Michael Kelleher the start of two (2) new councils in District 8 began. We had a few touch and go happenings, mainly 2 hurricane threats and 1 actual landfall in the district that put the new councils on hold. This, however, did not kill the zeal for the new councils. We held the first organizational meeting for North Biloxi's council August 20, 1985. Planned to initiate their first 17 candidates in Biloxi on August 29, but had to be cancelled due to hurricane warning. Hurricane Elena hit Biloxi 0700 a.m. September 2, 1985. We finally held the First Degree for the new council in North Biloxi on September 17, 1985 for their first 10 new members. Everything went well and we instituted Father Patrick McAlpine Council 9094, October 12, 1985 (Columbus Day).

Our next task was the formation of a new council in Gautier. Father Michael Kelleher came to me October 8, 1985 and said he was ready to start a council. We held our first meeting October 16, 1985 and initiated 15 new members for Gautier Council in St. Mary School Gym, conducted by the Biloxi First Degree Team. On November 11, 1985 (Veteran's Day) St. Mary's Council 9124 was instituted.

The officers of Council 9094 were installed by former District Deputy Michale Leleaux (in recognition of his help in forming the council) on November 26, 1985. The officers of Council 9124 were installed by former District Deputy John Cox (since their mother council is the Pascagoula Council) on December 19, 1985.

District 8 held two district meetings for the year. Our first meeting was held August 18 and our Mid-Winter Meeting was held January 12, 1986. There was a major exemplification hosted by Pascagoula Council 1605 on November 10, 1985 with 48 candidates and 10 councils represented. Second Degree was exemplified by the Biloxi Degree Team and the Third Degree was exemplified by the Mobile, Alabama Degree Team.

A School of Columbianism was held in Gulfport, January 12, 1986 for Districts 6, 7 and 8 which was very well attended and very informative.

We are fortunate to have 3 working First Degree Teams in the District (Councils 1244, 1605 and 5654) and another one being formed at this time by Council 9094. The three existing teams service the Councils in the District who do not have a Council Degree Team. This has proved very rewarding in so far as unity of councils in the district. Each lets the other know when there is a First Degree scheduled and invites other councils to participate.

All of the Councils in the district seem to have good solid programs in progress or planned. They all conduct regular meetings in accord with the Supreme By-Laws. This year all six councils

in District 8 will be participating in the Annual Tootsie Roll Drive and the Bishop R. O. Gerow Fund Project (Priest Education Fund). Each council has and is making a significant contribution to their church and community and have gone along way in making Columbianism a viable influence across the district.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all of the councils and their officers in my district for the cooperation, consideration and acceptance of me as your District Deputy which you have shown to me over the past year. I am especially grateful to State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. for his confidence in me by this appointment and hope I have not let anyone down.

Respectfully submitted,
Harry L. Steinwinder
District Deputy
District No. 8

INSURANCE AGENT REPORT

YOUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FRATERNAL INSURANCE PROGRAM

There are over 2,000 insurance companies doing business in the United States and Canada today. You should take pride in the fact that if the Knights of Columbus were ranked with those companies, using standard measuring devices, we would be placed approximately in the top 6%.

To give our state and council officers evidence of the progress that has been made, some facts will be given here in the hope that they will be made known to the various jurisdictions in order to:

1. Instill in all your members a sense of pride in our past accomplishments.
2. Encourage associate members to recognize that ours is a vibrant, dynamic program, worthy of their participation.
3. Enable the entire membership to realize that we have a tremendous potential within our grasp if we can harness the forces of enthusiasm, motivation and cooperation.

In the past 10 years, the assets of the Order have increased by 188.28%. This during a period of time when uncertainty in many industries prevailed.

The insurance in force during this same period increased by 225.37% and the total premium income increased by 386.70%. Measured by any standards, these were remarkable and noteworthy feats. So much for history.

Our last complete calendar year ending December 31, 1985, saw achievements which made the past facts look small by comparison:

Life insurance written	\$ 2,229,197,173
Annuity premium of	103,512,939
Life insurance in force	10,369,435,095
This represents a net gain of	\$ 1,028,225,899

for the year, after all death claims, matured endowments and surrenders.

Total assets during the calendar year	
1985 increased by	\$ 239,922,042
Reaching an all time high of	1,714,947,151
Premium income amounted to	288,145,347
Benefits paid to beneficiaries and members, death claims	
maturities, annuities, etc., amounted to	35,085,878
Insurance members shared in the largest declaration of	
dividends ever announced	\$ 85,191,848

The insurance dividends were disbursed as per instructions of the insured. Some take their dividends in cash, some allow them to accumulate at interest. Many even use their dividends to purchase additional insurance, thereby enabling them to enhance the amount of protection of their policies, without additional outlays of premium.

It is interesting to note that with over \$10 billion of life insurance in force, and the exposure to death claims that this figure represents, we paid more in dividends to living members than we did in death claims to beneficiaries. This dispels the old notion that life insurance is a "Die To Win" proposition.

We hope that these facts will enlighten some, reinforce others and encourage all to participate in "Your Fraternal Insurance Program." There is no reason why any member should seek protection elsewhere.

FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS.
BY BROTHER KNIGHTS.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Mosco
General Agent

PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The end of the State Program year is upon us. Now that it is over there are several observations to be made. Of the thirty-eight councils in our jurisdiction, 23 mailed in one or more reports. This represents a 60% participation rate and is a drastic reduction from previous years.

As for the Supreme Council's Family of the Month program, we have had only average participation. Fifteen different councils have submitted one or more monthly nominations. It is a simple procedure to join our other councils already taking part in the program and it is hoped that more will participate next year.

From the reports received, there will be eight councils to achieve Distinguished Council status and twelve to achieve Honor Council. Of primary importance for either Distinguished or Honor Council is the **completion and submission** of the Fraternal Activities Report to Supreme. As the Order fights the battle to retain our tax-exempt status, this report is even more important.

It is one of the most important tools that Supreme can use to this end.

The competition for the Supreme Awards for "best" activity in the five program areas will be keen because of the number and quality of submissions. The task of judging these awards will be most difficult.

I hope that our program competition will get better and better each year. It is your program and therefore if you have any suggestions or recommendations, please send them forth.

Vivat Jesus,
Tom Zettler
State Program Director

"BISHOP GEROW MEMORIAL FUND" 1985-1986 REPORT

Another banner year was achieved for this program. Approximately 75% of the councils have participated in donating funds to this cause including a few of the newer councils. A total of \$41,979 was raised in the state and divided as follows: The Diocese of Jackson received \$15,850 and The Diocese of Biloxi received \$26,129. It was an increase of approximately \$2,500. The grand total since 1953 was \$410,047.

The two trophies authorized by the State Council for program were awarded as follows: (1) The Msgr. P.J. Carey Council No. 1605 of Pascagoula received the award for the largest donation of \$10,000; and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council No. 7211 of Lumberton received an award for the highest average donated per member (\$36.07).

At this time acknowledgement should be made of two special donations made to this fund: (1) The Biloxi Council No. 1244 received \$200 from the estate of General John O'Keefe, P.S.D. for this fund; The Bishop Gunn Council No. 1583 received a \$1,000 donation from Brother S.J. Bertucci a charter member of the Council.

The Fourth Degree Assemblies have joined with the Third Degree and donated a total of \$3,159; the Ladies' Auxiliaries in the state donated a total of \$400. All of these donations are appreciated and are listed in the table which follows in this report.

Many councils in the state have donated money to the Vocation Program sponsored by the Supreme Council which is also an aid to seminarians.

The St. Vincent de Paul Council No. 4898, in addition to its annual donation to this fund donates an equal amount to the Vincentian Order which has staffed their parish for many years.

I wish to thank Norman L. Kiehm, P.S.D. of the Jackson Diocese and Paulino J. Carrubba, Master of the Fourth-District No. 2 of the Biloxi Diocese for their helpful assistance in this program.

I also wish to thank State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. for the trust he has placed in me to serve as State Chairman during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
 F.J. Bartlett
 State Chairman
 "Bishop Gerow Memorial Fund"

Council No.	Locations	1953-84	1985	1986	GRAND TOTAL
802	Meridian	\$18,481	\$2,137	\$ 250	\$20,731
	Auxiliary	200	100	100	400
	Fourth Degree			500	500
848	Jackson	14,355	1,500	1,500	17,355
	Fourth Degree			200	200
898	Vicksburg	23,000	2,000	2,000	27,000
	Squires	251			251
	Fourth Degree			100	100
1034	Natchez	25,559	1,000	900	27,459
1244	Biloxi	19,468	800	1,500	21,768
	Squires	90			90
1522	Bay St. Louis	14,657	700	700	16,057
1583	Gulfport	27,388	2,071	3,800	33,259
	Auxiliary	250	100	50	400
	Fourth Degree			559	559
1605	Pascagoula	63,745	12,000	10,000	85,745
	Auxiliary	400	100	100	600
1908	Hattiesburg	8,455	350	400	9,205
2134	Greenville	22,064	1,600	2,500	26,154
	Auxiliary		150	150	300
	Greenville & Leland Fourth		1,000	1,500	2,500
2180	Laurel	4,005	1,200	2,000	7,205
	Fourth Degree			300	300
2945	Leland	9,762	1,000	1,300	12,062
2969	Clarksdale	14,770	600	1,000	16,370
3328	Yazoo City	8,490			8,490
4472	Pass Christian	565	100	300	965
4898	Long Beach	11,701	1,500	1,500	14,701
5267	Greenwood	6,947	500	850	8,297
5556	Cleveland	5,450	500	500	6,450
5654	Ocean Springs	8,100	1,500	1,700	11,300
6555	Shelby	2,000		700	2,700
6592	Bassfield	1,000	50		1,050

Council No.	Locations	1953-84	1985	1986	GRAND TOTAL
6765	Starkville	675			675
6872	Picayune	3,615	1,100	1,000	5,715
7087	Kiln	1,460	1,000	100	2,560
7120	Southaven	90			90
7211	Lumberton (Seneca)	11,819	3,100	2,020	16,939
7440	Philadelphia	740			740
7854	Clinton	650	585	300	1,535
7910	Orange Grove	400		100	500
7915	Brookhaven	300	250	500	1,050
7974	Columbus	210	100	250	560
8038	Pearl	75	50	100	225
8054	McComb	1,000	500	500	2,000
8285	Jackson-St. Therese	125	100		225
8760	Holly Springs				
8848	Tupelo			150	150
8912	Corinth				
9094	North Biloxi				
9124	Gautier				
9234	Indianola				
	Miscellaneous	1,976			1,976
GRAND TOTALS		\$328,724	\$39,344	\$41,979	\$410,047

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

As I said last year, recruiting new members should be our greatest goal. For, without new members, every other goal the Knights of Columbus has is meaningless. But, as in most organizations, recruiting new members has been taken too lightly.

The use of the "Grow With Us" membership campaign by each council in the state of Mississippi is one way in which we can begin to attract a segment of the eligible members.

As of April 1st, 1986, Mississippi was ranked third in Division VI, with a net gain of 215 members. With most councils almost finished with suspending inactive members, Mississippi should really "spring" ahead in the following months. This can only happen with every Brother making a diligent effort to recruit new members.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every council that made a sincere effort during the past year to gain new members for the Knights of Columbus. Your efforts are

most appreciated.

We need to carry on this most important task of making the Mississippi Knights of Columbus grow. So, we must not slow down now. I would like to challenge each and every Brother to recruit at least one new member in this coming year. This would put Mississippi No. 1, in Division VI.

Without new members and retaining the current membership of each of our councils, our future will certainly not be as bright as it could and should be.

Fraternaly yours,
Lex B. Wilkinson, Jr.
Membership Director
Mississippi State Council

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE'S REPORT

As of this time it appears that Mississippi will fall short of its goals for membership during this fraternal year. As of April 1, we have a net increase of 137 members state wide. This represents a 3.12% net increase and is short of our projected goal of 5% net increase.

It appears that our problems are two-fold. Not enough new members coming in and too many members dropping out.

How do we attack this two-fold problem and turn membership around?

The best method of recruiting new members is still the "one-on-one" approach. Most people are reluctant to seek membership in any organization. They must be asked. This task falls back on each one of us. Ask someone to join.

One method of seeking out new members is to secure a list from your pastor of all the Catholics in the parish. A personal invitation to join the Knights of Columbus can be mailed to each person on the list. This should be followed-up by a personal contact or phone call asking the individual to join and outline for him the many benefits of membership. Another good suggestion is to have an open house and invite prospective members to drop in and see what the Knights of Columbus is all about.

Also important is high visibility in the parish. A well-rounded program that is highly visible will attract new members.

Once you have addressed the first problem - recruitment - you must tackle the second - retention of numbers. This is often a difficult challenge.

New members have a need to feel wanted and needed. This is the job of each individual K of C, but most importantly it is the primary job of the new members' proposer. He should see that the new member is introduced to his fellow Knights and made to feel welcome.

The new member should be put to work in the council immediately utilizing his own unique talents. Don't force him to work on a committee he has no interest in. Find out what he likes to do and let him do it. Then show your council's appreciation by recognizing the new member's contributions. If a person feels wanted and needed and his contributions are recognized he will be a loyal Knight.

It is very important that an all-out effort be made to develop another Second and Third Degree Team in the northern part of the state. This could go a long way toward retaining new members by shortening the time between his admission into the order and his attainment of the Third Degree. Once a person has made the commitment to go all the way, he is less likely to drop out.

In the final analysis it is up to each of us as individuals to promote membership. If we don't our organization will surely die. We must make certain that we have programs on the local level that attract new members — programs that are relevant and visible.

Mississippi has a proud tradition in membership. Until recent years Mississippi has been number 1 in membership at least every other year. Even in our "off" years we still met our 5% quota. We can do it again.

Each of us must shake off the indifference that seems to be dogging us at present. We are members of a proud organization whose traditions are relevant to the modern Church. We simply need to show what we can do. We need to prove that what we do is worthwhile. If we do this, new members will want to join our ranks and old members will want to continue to be a part of this great organization.

Can we do it? You bet we can!!!

Respectfully submitted,
Rodney J. Sandoz, Chairman
Jack Hora
Bill Gotzman
Larry Pressley
Dale Tackett
Frank Niemeyer
Robert Foster, Sr.
Joe Furlan

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Let me take this opportunity to thank the participating council programs in taking an active part in the Columbian programs. This week was set aside as National Volunteers Week by the National Center for Citizen Involvement. The Knights of Columbus contributed to charity some 55 million dollars and spent somewhat more than 14 million man hours in volunteered service to church and community. Mississippi's part of this was \$361,208 and 149,000 man hours. Supreme requests that we put on some type of activity for appreciation for a job well done.

In the coming year I would like to see more newsletters and committee directors, so we'll have

an idea of what type of programs are to be performed during the year. If you can't get a newsletter out in time, I would ask the Grand Knight to send us an invitation so we can attend some of these programs and we will ensure you that you will have the addresses of the state officers and committee members.

As most councils would agree, strife exists in each council, in what extreme, varies. We need to develop a program that would follow the Church Renewal Program, it could be called Council Renewal Program. I welcome any recommendations which would assist in the development of these programs.

This October, Picayune Council will host a Columbus Day Celebration for the whole state. Planned for this event will be a golf tournament, bowling, flea market, Saturday nights seafood bash, square dancing and also a skeet shoot is being planned. Further information will be forwarded to each council.

The School of Columbianism this year was not one of the best, but I hope this coming year will be better. I personally will attend every one to lend a helping hand in the definition of program categories, there is a fine line and even a repeat of some of the activities that can be categorized in different activities.

At one of the Schools of Columbianism the question arose, "How do we get over to the men in our parishes the real meaning of the Knights of Columbus?" May I suggest that we go to our pastors and ask if we could have some time after Communion at each Mass on a particular Sunday, so that we can really get over to them the real meaning of the Knights of Columbus.

Thanks fraternally,
Council Activities Director

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

It is an honor for me to submit this Community Activities Report for the fraternal year 1985-1986. Twenty-five (25) councils submitted Community Activities Reports to the State Program Director as of this date. Of the councils reporting, the majority of them completed the mandatory programs which consisted of a Mental Retardation Program and a Drug Abuse and Awareness Program. Also, I'm happy to report that most of the councils participated in the Tootsie Roll Drive. I happened to notice that several councils reported having programs which consisted of having visits to their meetings and socials by doctors, counselors, and other people who were experts in these fields or otherwise had some special expertise. I think that this is a good indication that councils are doing a good job in Community Activities.

There are a couple of things that I believe would be beneficial to continued success in our state programs. I would like to see Council Community Activity Directors submit their programs to the State Community Activity Director directly. This would help the State Program Director with his mammoth workload. Also, I think that getting the entire program to Grand Knights and Program Directors at an earlier date would also clarify many problems and misunderstandings concerning the overall program.

I have considered it an honor to have been given this opportunity to serve, and I am looking forward to additional years of service.

Respectfully submitted,
George L. Harrison
State Community Activities Director

STATE YOUTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Worthy State Deputy, Wiley Price, Jr. for the opportunity to serve as Youth Activity Director for our jurisdiction this fraternal year.

Many of our Brother Knights are CYO Directors, Scoutmasters and serve in other leadership positions for our youth. Many of our councils continue to sponsor delegates to Boys/Girls State.

The year's Free Throw Contest was held at St. Richard's gym on March 15. The participation from our councils was not what we had hoped for. We hoped this event would be represented by 100% of our councils. Out of the 12 councils represented, Lumberton (7211) had 3 winners, Gautier (9124) had 2 winners, Kiln (7087) had 1 winner. Councils who participated in State Free Throw Contest were:

Kiln (7087)	Hattiesburg (1908)	John Savage Jackson (848)
Greenville (2134)	Picayune (6872)	Lumberton (7211)
Meridian (802)	Gautier (9124)	Laurel (2180)
North Biloxi 9094)	St. Jude Pearl (8038)	Leland (2495)

We hope the councils that did not participate this year will participate next year.

I would like to thank all my brother Knights for their help this year.

Fraternally yours,
Charles W. Harmon, Jr.
State Youth Director

CHURCH ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The reports on Church Activities as received from the Councils were few, however they indicated a healthy activities program this past year.

Involvement in Church Activities was reported by 18 councils through council newsletters and activity reports. These reports indicated participation in church activities, including among others, parochial services, religious devotions and "Christ in Christmas". It was noted that there is a lack of enthusiasm in implementing greater unity, understanding and ecumenism among all religions.

In addition to the programs that are already functioning in each council, I recommend that councils take a more vigorous part in the work of Ecumenism. However, all ecumenical endeavors should be carried out under the guidelines set down by the local bishop and under the leadership of the council chaplain.

The Church Activities Committee expresses their appreciation to the State Deputy, the State Family, District Deputies, Grand Knights and Council Church Activities Directors for their active participation in the Church Activities Programs.

Thank you Worthy State Deputy, for allowing me to serve.

Vivat Jesus,
John F. Szymonik
State Church Activities Director

STATE FAMILY LIFE REPORT

Worthy State Deputy, State Chaplain, Past State Deputy, all State Officers, District Deputies, Directors, Delegates and Brother Knights, I humbly submit to you our State Family Life Report ending March 31, 1986.

I would have liked to have visited each council in the state and participated with you in at least one of your family life, or possible family activities. Frankly, I didn't want to go where I wasn't invited. Maybe, I should have been more aggressive and forced myself upon you and your council, but that is just not my way of doing things!

When our Worthy State Deputy, Brother Wiley Price asked me to serve in this directorship, I was honored and excited, but totally unaware of what would be involved. We learn as we live and I've learned a lot, thanks to each of you.

I had the honor of being invited by District Deputy Stan Swentkowski to participate in his District Meeting and School of Columbiansim. I've also had the opportunity to visit a few councils upon invitation. I attended the softball tournament in Pascagoula with my Council 5556, Cleveland.

Thusfar during my directorship, the complacency of family activities in our councils startles me. You might say, "How do you know? You have not been to ours." You are right, but it isn't because I wasn't available.

My opinions are based on what I see, which is lack of invitation, lack of family activity reports and/or lack of activities on these reports, lack of family of the month and lack of "Grow With Us" participation.

We have 38 councils this year, but I started with 36 councils. Less than 50% participate in family of the month program. This is one of the simplest programs we have. Less than 50% file family activities reports and of the 50%, it seems that 50% of those, which is less than 1/4 of our State Councils fulfill their mandatory requirements.

To those councils that have been active with family, I congratulate you. To those of us who haven't, I suggest that we sit down with our Grand Knight and program director and see what we can do.

I have received Council Newsletters from five state councils. I realize that all of our councils do not have newsletters, although we should. I do thank those that have sent me their newsletters. They were very helpful.

Prior to November 15th, 1985, thirteen of the thirty six state councils had submitted their family life activities report. The councils reporting were No. 7974 Columbus, No. 898 Vicksburg, No. 2969 Clarksdale, No. 2180 Laurel, No. 802 Meridian, No. 8038 St. Jude's Centennial, No. 2945 Leland, No. 8848 Tupelo, No. 848 John T. Savage, No. 5556 Cleveland, No. 7120 Southaven, No. 2134 Greenville, and No. 8054 McComb.

Since November 15th, these same thirteen have submitted additional family activities reports. The number of activities at each council ranged from zero to eight.

Also, joining this group for the second program period were thirteen additional councils. These were, No. 1583 Gulfport, No. 1605 Pascagoula, No. 4472 Pass Christian, No. 4898 Long Beach, No. 5267 Greenwood, No. 5654 Ocean Springs, No. 6592 Bassfield, No. 6872 Picayune, No. 7087 Kiln, No. 7854 Clinton, No. 7915 Brookhaven, No. 9094 North Biloxi and No. 9124 Gautier. The number of activities at each of these councils range from three to twelve.

The combined total of family activities reported for the program year was two hundred and seventeen. I congratulate those councils on submitting their timely reports and their efforts at each of the councils. I especially congratulate those who participated during the entire program year.

I regret to report to you that our participants in the "Family of the Month" contest that is submitted to Supreme wasn't impressive. A total of fifteen councils participated. They ranged from one council participating seven times to a low of four councils participating once with the exception of two councils No. 5654 Ocean Springs and No. 8038 Pearl who participated each month. These councils are to be congratulated.

My point is, out of the original thirty six councils beginning last July, less than 50% bothered to participate at all, and only two councils participated each month.

Our "Family of the Month" winners are beginning with July and continuing through February as follows:

July

Henry G. Reed Family
No. 989 Vicksburg

Lawrence D. Ward Family
No. 1328 Kalispell

August

Robert E. Cox Family
No. 5654 Ocean Springs

September

Jerry W. Santucci Family
No. 2945 Leland

September

Gordon Cowie Family
No. 8038 Pearl

November

Gus Maily Family
No. 2180 Laurel

Don Arcement Family
No. 6872 Picayune

Carroll Batia, Jr. Family
No. 9094 Biloxi

January
Joey Agostinelli Family
No. 2134 Greenville

October
T.R. Zettler Family
No. 802 Meridian

December
Miro Ferracci Family
No. 2969 Clarksdale

February
Kenneth Swanson Family
No. 5654 Ocean Springs

There were only nine "State Family of the Year" entries out of the total thirty-eight councils. Every council has at least one family that qualifies, consequently, we are letting that family and our council down by our lack of participation.

Our "Grow With Us" monthly winners selected by Supreme from November through February were:

November
Harry Creagan
No. 8054 McComb

Mike Williams
No. 8054 McComb

December
Gilbert O'Flynn
No. 6872 Picayune

Basil Moots
No. 8285 Jackson

Randy Hourscht
No. 8038 Pearl

January
John Maloney
No. 802 Meridian

February
Norman Kiehm
No. 2134 Greenville

Brothers, it has been a privilege and an honor to serve you under the guidance and leadership of our Worthy State Deputy, Wiley Price and the rest of our state officers.

The highlight as your Family Life Director will be the welcome you have given me and the friendship we have developed.

I thank you for your attentiveness and participation. Your Family Life Director stands ready and eager to assist you in any way possible for the remainder of the fraternal year. I respectfully submit this report to our Worthy State Secretary, Dennis Ladnier, Sr.

May God bless you with your needs,
Donny Whitten
State Family Life Director

STATE VOCATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

As we conclude the 1985-86 State year, it is my pleasure to report the achievement of a "successful" vocations program.

Immediately upon my appointment for the 1985-86 year, the State Vocations Committee began to develop this year's program. Plans were established to evaluate the previous year's program and recommend improvements for the new year.

Our goal was to make "Vocations Everybody's Business." We came up with a 5-point plan to help us accomplish this goal. The plan was presented and discussed at the Summer meeting in Meridian. The plan was as follows:

1. To continue to support the Priest Education Fund.
2. To continue to conduct the one day vocations workshops.
3. To encourage councils to participate in the Refund Support Vocations Program (R.S.V.P.) or any other program for lending support to seminarians and religious clergy.
4. To encourage councils to pray for vocations at council meetings, monthly holy hours, etc. . .
5. To support the "Come and See" program at St. Joseph Sem. for High School and College Students.

We also decided to change the one day vocations workshops a little. We decided to have three state-wide workshops instead of the usual one in each diocese. We held one in the northern area of the state (Clarksdale), one in the central area of the state (Pearl), and one in the southern area of the state (Picayune). We also decided instead of having the Diocesan Vocation Directors putting on the workshops, to get a panel of speakers involved from the six different areas of Church Vocations (priest, sister, brother, deacon, married couple, single person). We also invited teenage youth and the wives of our members to attend. A very positive aspect of this program came from the response of those people who attended the workshops. We feel that this type of workshop presented a more complete vocations picture. A negative aspect was the lack of attendance at these workshops. The attendance was lacking of Knights and wives. The youth responded well at the workshops. If you didn't attend a workshop this year, I challenge you to make one in the coming year for you are really missing out on a great program.

The State Vocations program grew greatly in the area of the R.S.V.P. program and other similar programs. A large number of seminarians in both diocese have been supported. Many thanks to all those councils who supported seminarians in any way.

This past year as your State Vocations Chairman has been very rewarding for me. My sincere thanks and appreciation to those who assisted in any fashion. My very special thanks to State Deputy, Wiley Price, for giving me the opportunity to serve and also to State Treasurer Joseph Goellner, Sr., for all of his help and support throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph Goellner, Jr.
State Vocations Chairman

PRO-LIFE REPORT

This, my first year as Pro-Life Chairman, has been both rewarding and disappointing.

There was no Pro-Life booth at the State Fair due to a mix-up in the paperwork. There was a Walk-A-Thon planned but never completed.

There was a Pro-Life Convention held in Jackson, Mississippi; the keynote speakers were Dr. and Mrs. Wilke.

I would like to thank the councils who supplied the Pro-Life literature from Supreme. I would also like to thank the councils and Brother Knights who donated money to the Natural Family Planning to help pay for the ad in the Yellow Pages. This program is with and thru Catholic Charities.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Mitchell
Pro-Life Chairman

STATE COLUMBIAN SQUIRES REPORT

In May, State Deputy Wiley Price asked if I would consider being the State Columbian Squires Chairman for this fraternal year, which I gladly accepted.

On July 20 & 21st, I attended the State organizational meeting held in Meridian. I conducted most of my business by letter and telephone. In January I sent a letter to all Grand Knights urging them to form a Squire Circle.

Throughout the year I have received numerous correspondence from the Supreme Council.

April has been proclaimed "Columbian Squires Month" by Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant. In his proclamation, the Supreme Knight explained that for 60 years the organization has been forming young Catholic men into knowledgeable and involved citizens. Presently, there are over 22,000 young men participating in the activities of over 900 Squire Circles throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Philippines, Puerto Rico and Guam. Every council should keep in mind that one initiative for this fraternal year is "A Circle in Every Council."

The advantages of sponsoring a circle are many. Since the organization was founded in 1925, more than 200,000 young men between the ages of 12 and 18 have served as Columbian Squires. And when reaching the age of 18, these young men became eligible for membership in local councils throughout the Order. This year alone, over 3,000 Squires will become eligible to join the Knights of Columbus.

At the present time we have only three active circles in the state, with only 61 members. The circles are located in Biloxi, Ocean Springs and Gulfport. And three councils have expressed interest in forming a circle, they are Lumberton, Poplarville and Bay St. Louis.

For further information on the Columbian Squires, please see me sometime during this convention, and I will supply you with all the necessary information and paperwork. Or the Supreme Council can provide you with a "Columbian Squires Inquiry Kit" item no. 1936-nc.

The Columbian Squires is the official youth organization of the Knights of Columbus. It deserves your full attention.

In closing, I would like to thank State Deputy Wiley Price for offering me this job, and for his support and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerald W. Rose
State Columbian Squires Chairman

RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION REPORT

This report covers the period of 1 July 1985 thru 1 April 1986. To date Mississippi ranks third in Division IV with gains of 304 members and losses of 167 for a net gain of 137.

There were three (3) new councils added to our rolls this year. North Biloxi, Gautier and Indianola. This fact certainly impacts on recruitment.

The recruiting programs sponsored by the Supreme Council, State Council are well accepted by our local councils. This is reflected in the results thus far this year.

Retention is surely the biggest problem faced by our councils today and tomorrow. If no firm plan of action is resolved by the Supreme Council, the State Council and each council represented at this convention, then next year this report will be a repeat.

It seems that when membership drives are started each member of our councils gets involved to a certain degree and those members that produce new membership are rewarded with VIP awards and whatever else Supreme Council is offering as a reward.

But when retention is involved it is generally the financial secretary who has to make a decision of who is suspended. This is really unfair because in most cases of F/S's do not have the time to make personal contacts with prospective suspensions to resolve any problems.

Our council program chairmen have their jobs well defined by Supreme Council, it even includes a membership chairman. Isn't it about time for a Retention Committee? One that could work within guidelines set forth by at least our State Council?

The Supreme Council gives some outstanding awards for recruiting as does our State Council. Why not go one step further and do something for the council that excels in retention?

The loss of membership must be recognized as a major problem and must be addressed by this year's state officers and each Grand Knight in our councils. Cooperation and assistance with

our chair officers would be a good start.

Respectfully submitted,
S.C. Pluff
Recruitment and Retention Chairman

CEREMONIALS REPORT

On 21 March, 1986, I directed correspondence to the 8 District Deputies requesting input regarding the formation of Degree Teams in their respective districts. As of this report, I have received input from Districts 2, 4 and 8.

District Deputy, District 2 reports that Councils 2954, Leland; 2134, Greenville; 2969, Clarksdale; and 5556, Cleveland, either have or are forming First Degree Teams. District Deputy, District 4 reports no activity and District Deputy, District 8 reports the beginning of a formation of a new First Degree Team in Father McAlpine Council. Also, in conjunction with Pascagoula Council 1605's Third Degree Team, there is now a certified Conferring Officer. Council 1605 is also forming a Second Degree Team.

The latest information from Supreme Council indicates that Mississippi councils now have the following Degree Teams:

First Degree Teams	15
Second Degree Teams	1
Third Degree Teams	1
Conferring Officers	1

I had planned and hoped to have at least 2 Second Degree Teams and 1 Third Degree Team and Conferring Officer in the northern part of the state.

Respectfully submitted,
Forest H. Taylor, Chairman
Ceremonials



Knights of Columbus

MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL

FINAL REPORT OF THE 1985 MISSISSIPPI KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED

COUNCIL NAME AND NUMBER	ORGANIZATION RECEIVING DONATIONS	AMOUNT DONATED	FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS	ACCUMULATED TOTAL FUNDS DONATED
MERIDIAN #802	Lauderdale Association for Retarded Citizens	726.57	2,178.71	2,906.28
JACKSON #848	R.E.A.C.H. Hinds Co. ARC Mississippi Special Olympics	2,025.00 2,325.00 750.00	----- ----- -----	2,025.00 2,325.00 750.00
VICKSBURG #898	Vicksburg Child Development Center Warren Co. ARC Vicksburg Early Education Center	200.00 1,500.00 1,825.00	----- 7,500.00 -----	200.00 9,000.00 1,825.00
BILOXI #1244	Gulf Coast Society for Retarded Citizens	1,316.33	-----	1,316.33
BAY ST LOUIS #1522	Hancock Industries	1,832.72	6,530.88	8,163.60
PASCAGOULA #1605	Singing River Industries Jackson Co. Exceptional School	2,500.00 1,625.00	----- -----	2,500.00 1,625.00
GREENVILLE #2134	Washington Co. ARC	3,245.76	-----	3,245.76
LAUREL #2180	Jones Co. ARC	1,214.67	4,858.68	6,073.35
LELAND #2845	Washington Co. ARC	1,125.00	-----	1,125.00
CLARKSDALE #2868	Coshoma Co. Training Center	1,500.00	-----	1,500.00
GREENWOOD #5287	Region VI Work Activity Center Little Red School for Handicapped Children	2,500.00 911.03	7,500.00 -----	10,000.00 911.03
CLEVELAND #5556	Delta Community Mental Health Service	1,896.94	5,080.82	6,787.76
OCEAN SPRINGS #5654	Mississippi Special Olympics	918.79	-----	918.79
SHELBY #6555	Bolivar Co. ARC	337.75	1,351.00	1,688.75
PICAYUNE #6872	Pearl River Co. ARC	2,569.79	7,709.37	10,279.16
KILN #7087	Hancock Industries	656.25	2,825.00	3,281.25
SOUTHAVEN #7120	Eudora Learning Center	2,211.35	2,211.35	4,422.70
BROOKHAVEN #7915	Allied Industries Brookhaven Work Activity Center	1,000.00 142.67	4,000.00 -----	5,000.00 142.67
COLUMBUS #7974	ACT Adult Conquering Tomorrow	2,010.74	6,032.22	8,042.96
PEARL #8038	R.E.A.C.H.	552.48	-----	552.48
McCOMB #8054	Southwest Mental Health Complex	875.98	-----	875.98
TUPELO #8846	Region III Mental Retardation Programs	4269.41	17,077.64	21,347.05
CORINTH #8912	Timber Hills Mental Health Service Downs Syndrome Association	2,809.64 200.00	11,236.56 -----	14,046.20 200.00

**MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL
1985 MENTAL RETARDATION DRIVE**

Revised 3-31-86

	Council Number	GRCS - Total Amount Received From Contributions	NET Income	Net Amount Per Shareholder	Amount Received From 1985 Contributions	Per Share Distribution	Amount Received From 1985 Contributions
MERIDIAN	802	968.77	968.77	6.77	776.58	242.19	1,064.00
JACKSON	846	7,330.46	6,800.00	53.97	5,100.00	1,700.00	7,480.00
VICKSBURG	896	5,903.66	4,700.00	14.20	3,325.00	1,175.00	5,170.00
NATCHEZ	** 1034	—	—	—	—	—	—
BILOXI	1244	2,177.11	1,755.11	4.12	1,316.33	438.78	1,930.00
BAY ST. LOUIS	1522	2,327.69	2,178.97	11.90	1,632.72	544.25	2,393.00
		** 863.29	863.29	—	647.47	215.82	3,000.00
GULFPORT	* 1583	—	—	—	—	—	—
PASCAGOULA	1605	6,407.30	5,500.00	16.77	4,125.00	1,375.00	6,050.00
HATTIESBURG	** 1908	—	—	—	—	—	—
GREENVILLE	2134	5,382.66	4,327.66	15.35	3,245.76	1,081.92	4,759.00
LAUREL	2180	3,742.99	3,238.12	41.00	2,429.34	809.78	3,568.00
LELAND	2943	2,027.50	1,500.00	25.00	1,125.00	375.00	1,650.00
CLARKSDALE	2969	2,406.07	2,000.00	9.48	1,500.00	500.00	2,200.00
YAZOO CITY	** 3326	—	—	—	—	—	—
PASS CHRISTIAN	** 4472	—	—	—	—	—	—
LONG BEACH	** 4896	—	—	—	—	—	—
GREENWOOD	5267	5,093.17	4,548.04	51.68	3,411.03	1,137.01	5,002.00
CLEVELAND	5556	2,534.65	2,282.58	21.55	1,696.94	565.64	2,488.00
OCEAN SPRINGS	5654	1,466.14	1,222.39	8.49	916.79	305.60	1,344.00
SHELBY	6555	450.00	450.00	10.47	337.75	112.25	495.00
BASSFIELD	6592	1,426.89	1,326.99	13.01	995.24	331.75	1,458.00
STARKVILLE	** 6765	—	—	—	—	—	—
PICAYUNE	6872	3,413.05	3,413.05	55.95	2,569.79	843.26	3,754.00
KILN	7067	875.12	875.12	14.83	656.25	218.87	962.00
SOUTHAVEN	7120	3,224.66	2,944.46	75.60	2,211.35	737.11	3,242.00
SENECA	* 7211	* 2,162.59	* 2,162.59	—	1,621.94	540.65	3,000.00
CLINTON	7854	1,197.00	1,041.00	17.94	780.75	260.25	1,145.00
COLUMBUS	7974	2,934.09	2,690.99	36.30	2,010.74	670.25	2,948.00
GULFPORT	7910	428.40	428.40	6.20	321.30	107.10	470.00
BROOKHAVEN	7915	1,661.25	1,524.90	38.12	1,142.67	382.23	1,676.00
MC COMB	8054	1,229.05	1,187.97	24.33	875.96	291.99	1,283.00
PEARL	8036	916.00	736.65	10.96	552.48	184.17	809.00
ST. THERESE	* 8285	* 1,854.10	* 1,854.10	—	—	463.52	2,500.00
CORINTH	8912	4,201.86	4,012.66	149.62	3,009.64	1,003.22	4,413.00
HOLLY SPRINGS	** 8760	—	—	—	—	—	—
TUPELO	8846	6,365.90	5,692.55	107.41	4,269.41	1,423.14	6,254.00
1985 MENTAL RETARDATION DRIVE		81,195.46	72,179.58	32.39	54,154.84	18,035.75	
1984 MENTAL RETARDATION DRIVE		66,496.46	61,605.53	30.96	46,354.06	15,451.47	(82,507.00)
INTEREST ON SAVINGS						423.87	

NOTE: The interest on savings paid all of the expenses of the 1985 State Mental Retardation Program. *Late contributions. **No contributions.

Knights of Columbus

MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL

1985 DISTRIBUTION OF STATE MENTALLY RETARDED DRIVE FUNDS IN MISSISSIPPI

	Organization Receiving Donations	Amount Donated	Federal Matching Funds	Accumulated Total Funds Donated
MISSISSIPPI SPECIAL OLYMPICS 13 Areas - \$300.00 each	All 13 Area Divisions of Mississippi Special Olympics Statewide - All Counties	\$3,900.00		\$ 3,900.00
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SERVICES, INC.	Early Education Center 3:1	\$3,711.91	\$11,135.73	\$14,847.64
MISSISSIPPI SPECIAL OLYMPICS	Mississippi Special Olympics/ Knights of Columbus Internship Program	\$3,000.00		\$ 3,000.00
MISSISSIPPI VERY SPECIAL ARTS FESTIVAL	Mississippi Very Special Arts Festival - 9:1 matching funds to implement a series of 15 regional VASF which includes the mentally retarded population of Mississippi	\$3,711.92	\$33,507.28	\$37,119.20
ASSOCIATION OF MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION PROGRAMS, INC.	Vocational placement and behavioral programming 2:1 matching funds	\$3,711.92	\$ 7,423.84	\$11,135.76
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION TO THE MS MENTALLY RETARDED - 1985		\$72,179.58		
TOTAL FEDERAL AND STATE MATCHING FUNDS - 1985			\$137,872.08	
ACCUMULATED TOTAL RECEIVED BY THE MENTALLY RETARDED IN MISSISSIPPI - 1985				\$210,051.66
ACCUMULATED TOTAL RECEIVED BY THE MENTALLY RETARDED IN MISSISSIPPI TO DATE				\$2,556,290.06

Respectfully submitted

DAVE ATTEBERRY
RICKY NAUSE

State Mentally Retarded
Co-Chairmen

Mississippi
Executive Department
Jackson

A PROCLAMATION

BY THE

GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus, since its inception, has been totally dedicated to Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus has adopted Mental Retardation as a project for special concern and assistance; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this endeavor, other Councils will join in an annual Tootsie Roll Sale; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds resulting from this sale will be donated to community non-profit agencies serving the mentally retarded citizens of Mississippi;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William A. Allain, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby proclaim the week of April 28 through May 4, 1986, as

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DAYS TO HELP RETARDED CITIZENS

in Mississippi, and urge all citizens to take cognizance of this special week and participate in the purchase of Tootsie Rolls to aid this most worthy cause.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.



DONE at the Capitol in the City of Jackson the 27th day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-six and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and tenth.

William A. Allain

GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR

Dine McGraw

SECRETARY OF STATE

**REPORT OF THE STATE COUNCIL LIASON OFFICER
TO THE STATE LADIES' AUXILIARY
FROM APRIL 26, 1985 TO APRIL 25, 1986**

The observation of the second year of the two year term of State Auxiliary President Mary Liscoe is very gratifying and shows a continued vitality and much progress.

The expansion of the State Family of the State Auxiliary has shown that the service has improved accordingly.

The rearrangement of the districts for the 1985-1986 year has left District No. 1 without a District Regent since there was no local auxiliary in the councils of District No. 1. Thus the District Regent of District No. 2, Mrs. Jane Moscoe was required to cover activity in both Districts 1 and 2.

The number of local auxiliaries affiliated has increased from ten in 1984 to fourteen in 1985 to a current number of eighteen. This is an 80% increase for the two year term. Your Liason Officer believes that this is a very good growth.

We are very pleased to announce that our very latest affiliated auxiliary is in Tupelo at Father Robert Reitmeier Council No. 8848.

Two new auxiliaries were recently added at the two new councils formed in District No. 8. One at Father McAlpine Council No. 9094 in North Biloxi, and one at St. Mary Council No. 9124 in Gautier.

There are now six auxiliaries in District No. 8, but regretfully only five have affiliated with the State Auxiliary by paying the \$1.00 per member per capita tax to the State Auxiliary. The affiliated auxiliaries are in Biloxi No. 1244, Ocean Springs No. 5654, Orange Grove No. 7910, North Biloxi No. 9094 and Gautier 9124.

It is also known that several councils throughout the state jurisdiction have auxiliaries that have not paid their per capita tax and thus exist without affiliation to the State Family. This is a regretful situation and I appeal to the Grand Knights of these councils to try to correct this problem.

The usual duties of District Regents were well performed, such as installation of officers in the official ceremony of the State Auxiliary.

State Auxiliary meetings were held in July and December along with the State Council Meetings.

A state-wide raffle is again being held to raise funds for defraying State Auxiliary expenses. Your support at this State Convention is solicited.

The State President has issued a monthly newsletter to all of the local auxiliaries, District Regents, District Deputies, the State Deputy and the *Magnolia Knight*. Those of you receiving the *Magnolia Knight* probably have read it.

The State President and State Secretary have attended many of the functions of the local auxiliaries and local councils. The local councils are encouraged to invite the State President to functions you consider special. You should also invite the District Regent in your district. Let us make every effort to make our group into a true family organization.

I believe that the State Auxiliary has shown great progress in the two year term of State President Mary Liscoe. The State Council of the Knights of Columbus extends congratulations and thanks to State President Mary Liscoe for a term of outstanding accomplishments.

A word to the local councils and their officers — thank you for working with the State Auxiliary. Continue your cooperation with the District Regents in your district. With your help we may increase the affiliated auxiliaries in the state jurisdiction. If the ladies believe that they cannot afford the per capita tax assessment to affiliate please consider paying the \$1.00 per year per member for them.

A word to our District Deputies — thank you for your cooperation with the District Regent. I know that without you their job would have been much harder. Congratulations to you that have seen the establishment of a new auxiliary in your district. With your help we can do better in the coming year.

I again request that the State Council consider offering some incentive to each local council such as optional points in the inner council competition. This would aid organization greatly.

Overall, I feel that the two year term of Mrs. Mary Liscoe as State Auxiliary President has been very successful.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred L. Westbrook, Jr.
Liaison Officer

STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT
(No Report Submitted)

**REPORT OF MISSISSIPPI KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
BOWLING TOURNAMENT**
(No Report Submitted)

1986 STATE CONVENTION - MILEAGE & PERDIEM REPORT - PAGE 1

NAME	TITLE	MILES	MILEAGE	PER DIEM	TOTAL
State Officers					
Rev. Francis Scott	St. Chap.	169	32.80	60.00	93.80
Wiley Price, Jr.	St. Dep.	93	18.60	60.00	78.60
Dennis Ladnier, Sr.	St. Sec.	165	33.00	60.00	93.00
Joseph B. Goellner, Sr.	St. Treas.	10	2.00	60.00	62.00
Daniel C. Farrell	St. Adv.	9	1.80	60.00	61.80
Marvin Lott	St. Ward.	127	25.40	60.00	85.40
Robert Fratesi	PSD	115	23.00	60.00	83.00
TOTAL		688	137.60	420.00	557.60

District Deputies					
Larry Campbell	DD No. 1	198	39.60	60.00	99.60
Stanley Swentkowski	DD No. 2	151	30.20	60.00	90.20
Steve Mitchell	DD No. 3	9	1.80	60.00	61.80
Michael Russell	DD No. 4	147	29.40	60.00	89.40
Gilbert O'Flynn	DD No. 6	148	29.60	60.00	89.60
Gregory Niolet	DD No. 7	168	33.60	60.00	93.60
Harry Steinwinder	DD No. 8	165	33.00	60.00	93.00
TOTAL		1067	213.40	480.00	617.20

Honorary St. Chaplains					
Bishop William Houck	HSC	0	0	60.00	60.00
Bishop Joseph L. Howze	HSC	0	0	60.00	60.00
TOTAL		0	0	120.00	120.00

Past St. Deputies					
John P. Myers	PSD	0	0	60.00	60.00
Hilton Seymour	PSD	0	0	60.00	60.00
Norman L. Kiehm	PSD	0	0	60.00	60.00
David Atteberry	PSD	0	0	60.00	60.00
William F. LaForge	PSD	0	0	60.00	60.00
Rodney J. Sandoz	PSD	0	0	60.00	60.00
Don Oldmixon	PSD	Paid as Delegate			
TOTAL		0	0	540.00	540.00

1986 STATE CONVENTION - MILEAGE & PER DIEM REPORT - PAGE 2
DELEGATE EXPENSE - 2 DELEGATES PER COUNCIL

COUNCIL	MILES TO JACKSON	X .20 MILEAGE	TOTAL PER DIEM	TOTAL
802	93	18.60	60.00	78.60
848	-	-	60.00	60.00
898	44	8.80	60.00	68.80
1034	102	20.40	60.00	80.40
1244	165	33.00	60.00	93.00
1522	172	34.40	60.00	94.40
1583	157	31.40	60.00	91.40
1605	184	36.80	60.00	96.80
1908	88	17.60	60.00	77.60
2134	115	23.00	60.00	83.00
2180	84	16.80	60.00	76.80
2945	108	21.60	60.00	81.60
2969	151	30.20	60.00	90.20
4472	168	33.60	60.00	93.60
4498	162	32.40	60.00	92.40
5267	96	19.20	60.00	79.20
5556	137	25.40	60.00	85.40
5654	169	33.80	60.00	93.80
6592	67	13.40	60.00	73.40
6872	148	29.60	60.00	89.60
7087	161	32.20	60.00	92.20
7120	198	39.60	60.00	99.60
7211	112	22.40	60.00	82.40
7854	10	2.00	60.00	62.00
7915	56	11.20	60.00	71.20
7974	147	29.40	60.00	89.40
8038	9	1.80	60.00	61.80
8054	81	16.20	60.00	76.20
8285	-	-	60.00	60.00
8760	196	39.20	60.00	99.20
8848	170	34.00	60.00	94.00
8912	218	43.60	60.00	103.60
9094	162	32.40	60.00	92.40
9124	180	36.00	60.00	96.00
Sub-Total	4,670	934.00	2,340.00	5,800.40
	x 2	x 2	x 2	
	9,340	1,868.00	4,680.00	5,800.40
Total Page 1	+ 1,755	+ 351.00	+ 1,560.00	+ 1,714.80
TOTAL	11,095	2,219.00	6,240.00	7,515.20

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Goellner, Chairman
Mark Blackmon; Robert Lambert; and Al McDevitt

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AUDIT REPORT

The Knights of Columbus Audit Committee met and reviewed the records of the State Treasurer. The ledger and cancelled checks were reviewed and no apparent discrepancy was noted.

In accordance with the recommendation of last year's audit committee, with reference to the Treasurer and the Foundation Treasurer not being bonded, it is strongly urged that this be done.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Myers, PSD

Ken Lubbers; Gene Ingram; Joseph Bonfiglio; and Charles Mink

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOUNDATION AUDIT REPORT

Our committee found that the books of the Foundation were in good order and well kept. The following is an audit of the Tootsie Roll Account.

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance 4/1/85	\$16,778.47	
Deposits	71,316.29	
Interest Earned	<u>712.96</u>	\$88,807.72
Withdrawals	<u>81,000.00</u>	
Balance 3/31/86		\$ 7,807.72

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Check Book Balance 4/1/85	\$15,968.16	
Deposits	<u>81,000.00</u>	\$96,968.16
Checks Written and Cleared	<u>67,391.86</u>	
Balance		29,576.30
Less Outstanding Checks	<u>4,527.06</u>	
Check Book Balance 3/31/86		\$25,049.24

BANK STATEMENT

Bank Balance 4/1/85	\$15,968.16	
Deposits	<u>81,000.00</u>	\$96,968.16
Checks Written and Cleared		<u>67,391.86</u>
Bank Balance 3/31/86		\$29,576.30
Less Outstanding Checks —		
1549 7/29/85 Vicksburg Child Dev. Center	\$ 200.00	
1559 11/13/85 Reach - Pearl	552.48	
1562 3/8/86 Early Education Center - Clinton	380.75	
1563 3/8/86 Clinton ARC	400.00	
1564 3/13/86 Baddour Memorial Center 84	607.76	
1566 3/20/86 Baddour Memorial Center 85	556.23	
1567 3/20/86 Reach	834.35	
1568 3/20/86 Jeff Davis Public Schools	<u>995.49</u>	<u>\$ 4,527.06</u>

BANK BALANCE \$25,049.24

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Myers, PSD

Ken Lubbers; Gene Ingram; Joseph Bonfiglio; Charles Mink

REPORT OF THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

1. That the State Council use the Publicity Committee to promote more Catholic and Knights of Columbus activities state-wide. (i.e. — an all-Catholic state football or basketball team selected by the councils that have Catholic schools in their district - selected by a committee assigned by the State Deputy.)
 - a) athletics
 - b) youth
 - c) church activities
 - d) community projects
2. That the State Deputy appoint a search committee to recognize the talent of members capable of achieving district or state office. This list of names be put on a blackboard at each state meeting, so that these members' names can be reviewed for the position or office they wish to hold.
3. Make the insurance department a permanent part of the state family and use the full potential of these Brothers that are working full time for the Knights of Columbus. They may not be utilized to the fullest of their potential.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Atteberry, P.S., Chairman
Ted Huyett
Fred Ward

REPORT OF CEREMONIAL COMMITTEE

The committee met with two members being absent. We urge the District Deputies to introduce and organize First Degree teams in each council in the Mississippi jurisdiction. Biloxi Council has a Second Degree team functioning which put on initiations in Vicksburg and Pascagoula in December 1985 and in Gulfport in March 1985. The Pascagoula Council has organized a Second Degree Team which should be certified in June. Your committee recommends that at least two Second Degree Teams be organized in the northern section of the state.

The Pascagoula Third Degree Team put on initiations in Vicksburg in November and at the request of the State Deputy of Alabama in Foley, Alabama; Theodore, Alabama; and Mobile, Alabama during the period of May 1, 1985 through April 1986. The Pascagoula Degree Team has established the practice of charging a minimum when the number of candidates does not exceed 50 when it is necessary for the Degree Team to be away from Pascagoula overnight, the remainder of the cost comes from profit of initiations and Degree Team fund raising activities.

The committee recommends that the State Deputy with approval from Supreme Council be permitted to use the degree team from North Alabama to put on initiations in North Mississippi when the distance is not greater than the distance from the coast, that those councils near the state line of Mississippi be permitted to take First Degree members to Memphis for the Second and Third Degree.

It is recommended that if the cost of bringing a Second and Third Degree Team from Alabama or Tennessee is equal or greater than the cost of bringing the Degree Team from the coast, the team from the coast be used until a Second and Third Degree Team is organized in North Mississippi.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Cox, Chairman
Hilton Seymour, PSD
Larry Muffley

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Public Relations Committee met on April 26, 1986. As a result of a lengthy discussion, it was concluded that public relations activities of the Knights of Columbus, Mississippi jurisdiction serve two distinct, but different functions. These are: (1) to disseminate information of interest to Brother Knights to the state membership, and (2) to announce the purpose and objective of the Knights of Columbus to non-members, Catholic and non-Catholic alike.

Based on this observation, it is recommended that the two public relations functions should be assigned to two different chairmen: a newsletter chairman to manage the *Magnolia Knight* and provide information to members; and a public relations chairman to develop a program of publicity extolling the work of the Knights of Columbus to the community at large. It is further recommended that these two activities be reviewed in separate committee meetings at future state conventions.

A discussion on the function of the *Magnolia Knight* noted that it was chiefly an organ of the State Family, including the State Deputy, State Chaplain, State Insurance Agent, State Program Chairman, Membership and Ladies' Auxiliary. Occasionally, complaints have been voiced over the quality of reproduction of the newsletter. It was reported that the quality of reproduction was related to the quality of the original articles submitted for publication and not the quality of the reproduction equipment. Guidelines for submitting articles for publication were reviewed. Articles should be typed single spaced, with a good quality ribbon, on 8½ X 11 (or 8½ X 14) paper with 1½ inch margins.

While the State Deputy, State Chaplain, State Insurance Agent and the Ladies' Auxiliary have been diligent in using the newsletter to communicating with the members, renewed effort on the part of the State Program and Activity Chairmen is needed. It was recommended that the Fourth Degree Masters contribute information in each newsletter. Furthermore, it was recommended that the newsletter include a calendar of ceremonials and state activities. Finally, it was proposed that the Insurance Agent report the passing of deceased Brothers in his column in the *Magnolia Knight*.

The role of the proposed Public Relations Chairman was discussed. It was noted that much of the responsibility for publicity will always belong to the local councils. The State Chairmen should assist the councils in this function by developing a publicity program, based upon materials provided by Supreme, or public service announcements on local radio and television.

Futhermore, it was recommended that the Public Relations Chairman be responsible for submitting articles for publication in such general newspapers as: *The Times Picayune*, *The Jackson Daily*, *The Jackson Clarion-Ledger*, *The Memphis Commercial Appeal*, *The Mississippi Today* and *The Gulf Coast Pine*.

Respectfully submitted,
John Krumpas
Gary Gainspoletti
Robert Hubbard, III
Marvin Lott
Larry Campbell, Chairman

SERVICE PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

The Service Program Committee met at 1:00 p.m. to resolve items of interest to the membership.

The first recommendation was to forward reports of individual areas of the service program to the particular activity chairman involved. In other words, the section of the overall program report that concerns church activities would be sent to not only the Program Director but also to the Church Activities Director, etc.

The second recommendation would be to establish a set of guidelines for a council to meet to qualify for the "Best" council category in their respective size category. A council would have to qualify as a Distinguished Council in order to be eligible for the "Best" category.

The program for the following fraternal year should be sent to the Grand Knights as soon as possible after the convention finishes. This would permit them to become familiar with the program before the Schools of Columbianism were held.

The reporting dates of November 1 and April 1 are considered acceptable and should be retained. In the future, however, a council that did not submit a program report for November 1, would then be ineligible to compete for awards at the conclusion of the fraternal year.

The Vocations Award given by the two bishops will be the subject of separate correspondence and will be emphasized to a greater degree to permit and foster greater participation.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Zettler
John Szymonik
George Harrison
Donny Whitten
Charles Harmon, Jr.
Charlie Morling

Carl Arnold
Joseph Ladner
David Davis
Edward Warner
Frank Buchholz
Clarence Beech

The meeting was then closed so everyone could attend the Awards Presentation which commenced immediately following.

Service Programs Awards:

The following councils received awards qualifying for Honor Council: 802 Meridian, 848 Jackson, 898 Vicksburg, 1583 Gulfport, 1605 Pascagoula, 2134 Greenville, 4472 Pass Christian, 4898 Long Beach, 5556 Cleveland, 7087 Kiln, 7854 Clinton, 7915 Brookhaven, 9094 North Biloxi.

The following councils received awards qualifying for Distinguished Councils: 2180 Laurel, 2945 Leland, 5654 Ocean Springs, 6872 Picayune, 7974 Columbus, 8038 Pearl, 8054 McComb, 8848 Tupelo.

Best Council Newsletter Awards were presented to: Small Council - 8054 McComb, Medium Council - 7086 Kiln, Large Council - 802 Meridian, Extra Large Council - 1522 Bay St. Louis.

Best Council Scrapbook Awards were presented to: Small Council - 8848 Tupelo, Medium Council - None, Large Council - 802 Meridian, Extra Large Council - 1522 Bay St. Louis.

Free Throw Contest Winners:

Boys	11 year olds	Ronald King	7211 Lumberton
	12 year olds	Maurice Gregory	9124 Gautier
	13 year olds	Bryan Rawls	7087 Kiln
	14 year olds	Philip Dickerson	9124 Gautier
Girls	11 year olds	Allison Polasini	2945 Leland
	12 year olds	Sharese Holder	7211 Lumberton
	13 year olds	Angela Henry	7211 Lumberton
	14 year olds	Greta Ladner	7087 Kiln

State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. handed out checks from the Tootsie Roll Drive.

CONVENTION BANQUET

Master of Ceremonies Joseph H. Miller introduced the State Officers, Supreme Representative, Past Vice Supreme Master, Fourth Degree Masters, Assistant Mayor, Past State Deputies, Congressman Sonny Montgomery, Ladies' Auxiliary President and other guests.

State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. introduced the Supreme Representative Edward Nutter to the Brother Knights and wives. Brother Nutter gave a very good talk on the Knights of Columbus.

Congressman Sonny Montgomery gave a very well researched talk on the Knights of Columbus in Mississippi.

During the banquet the following awards were presented: The Hilton Seymour Award - St. Therese 8265 Jackson, The Fred Westbrook, Sr. Knight of the Year Award - Gerald G. Graham 848 Jackson.

Ladies Auxiliary Awards for Scrapbook: 1) 4898 Long Beach; 2) 6872 Picayune; 3) 2135 Greenville

Supreme Awards:

Community Activity - 7915 Brookhaven; **Youth Activity** - 1583 Gulfport; **Family Activity** - 2180 Laurel; **Council Activity** - 5556 Cleveland.

Best Council Awards: **Small Council** - 1) 8054 McComb, 2) 8848 Tupelo; **Medium Council** - 1) 8038 Pearl, 2) 2945 Leland; **Large Council** - 1) Meridian, 2) 2180 Laurel; **Extra Large Council** - 1) 898 Vicksburg, 2) 1583 Gulfport.

Vocation Award went to Meridian Council 802 in the Jackson Diocese.

Priest Education Fund Highest Donation Award - 1605 Pascagoula. Total donations to the Priest Education Fund was Biloxi Diocese: \$25,671.41 and the Jackson Diocese: \$15,350.

Best District Deputy Award - Greg Niolet. **The Family of the Year Award** was presented to the family of Thomas R. Zettler 802 Meridian. A dance followed the convention banquet.

Sunday morning, April 27, 1986, the State Deputy called to order this morning session with a prayer by our State Chaplain and the Pledge of Allegiance.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIES MEETING

Financial Secretaries present - 21.

Guests: Ed Nutter, Supreme Representative; Henry Mosco - State Insurance Representative.

Presiding: Steve Snyder

Recorder: George Walston

Meeting was opened at 10:00 a.m. with a prayer.

General discussions held:

- Importance of Financial Secretaries to their councils - Ed Nutter.
- Member suspension and retention.
- Transfers of new members into councils.
- Insurance - Procedure for Form 100 by Henry Mosco.
- Recommendations for Financial Secretaries' Meeting.

Motions:

- The host council Financial Secretary will preside over the meeting and the next year's host council Financial Secretary will take the minutes. Motion made by Kenneth Lubbers, seconded by Bernard Frederic. Passed unanimously.

The following is a capsule view of points discussed:

Supreme Representative Ed Nutter discussed how important the Financial Secretary is to the

council. He mentioned that the F.S. is the direct representative of the Supreme Knight.

A general discussion of membership suspension and retention developed. Some points that were made was the fact that new members being brought into a council should be assigned things to do or a committee to be on. Other points indicated a personal touch was needed, complete with visitation by other council members or a committee if a member was due for suspension. Financial Secretaries and membership chairmen should work closely with Retention Committee for best retention results.

The point was made on transfers into a council that the date on which the general membership of a council votes on a transfer, it should be put on the Form 100 for correct charge back purposes from Supreme.

Henry Mosco, our State Insurance General Agent, stressed the necessity for Financial Secretaries to send him the number two copy of the Form 100 on all new members. A general discussion of insurance procedures followed.

The Supreme Representative, Ed Nutter, made the point that our job as Financial Secretaries was to notify the insurance representatives of new members and then leave it up the insurance representatives to contact the prospective insurance member. He also noted that there was ample material about insurance available from Supreme, and also the Financial Secretary's handbook.

It is the recommendation of the Financial Secretaries that an agenda be devised for future convention meetings and that requests for inclusion of a topic by any financial secretary be forwarded to the next presiding Financial Secretary no later than March 1st prior to the convention.

A final concern of the Financial Secretaries is that Mississippi needs more Second and Third Degree Teams. We would like to see at least three from north, central and south Mississippi.

Respectfully submitted,
George Walston, Recorder
Meridian No. 802

REPORT BY THE MASTER, FOURTH DEGREE MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT NO. 1

Brother Knights: Following is the Master's Report for Mississippi District No. 1 covering the period July 1, 1985, to the present time.

As you all know by now, the Supreme Office divided the Mississippi Jurisdiction into two districts effective July 1, 1984. These district boundaries follow diocesan lines and each district is governed by a Master appointed by the Supreme Office for a term of two years.

This report updates that which I submitted at last year's convention.

Membership

The membership quota of 10% intake established by Supreme Master Alfred Nicholas for 1985 was extended for 1986. Membership intake is defined as new members plus reinstatements, with no deductions for deaths, suspensions or withdrawals. As of the present time, membership in Mississippi District No. 1 stands at 380. I am pleased to report that six of the eight assemblies in District No. 1 qualify for the Distinguished Membership Service Award for the 1985-1986 fraternal year. This is an achievement of which all of us can be proud.

Exemplifications

During this fraternal year, the District conducted two exemplifications. The first was held on July 14, 1985, in Greenville, Mississippi, and the second on February 18, 1986, in Jackson, Mississippi. Honors of the Fourth Degree were conferred on thirty-three candidates in Greenville, In Jackson, thirty-nine candidates received these honors. Both exemplifications were outstanding affairs, thanks to the efforts of the Greenville-Leland councils and assembly and to John T. Savage Council and Bishop Gerow Assembly in Jackson. We are looking forward to another exemplification in the fall, possibly October. It is not too early to start a recruitment program in your areas for this event.

Statue of Liberty Restoration Fund

All of us are familiar with this fund-raising project, but not all of us have seen fit to make the \$5.00 contribution to this noble effort, suggested by our Supreme Master. I had hoped to report at this meeting that all assemblies in District No. 1 have participated in this campaign. All have, with the exception of one. With patriotism as the principle of the Fourth Degree it is difficult for me to understand the lack of interest, not only at the local level, but nationwide. According to the latest bulletin from the Supreme Office, contributions by the Knights of Columbus have reached the \$350,000 mark or 35% of the million dollar goal. This doesn't speak well for a program which has been going on for almost two years, with less than three months remaining. My Brother Knights, some soul-searching is in order.

Religious Education Fund

Assemblies within the District continue to give their 100% support to this very worthwhile project with contributions to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association. This District pledges to continue its support of this program.

At the last state convention, I was extremely pleased to note that Msgr. J.J. Igoe Assembly in Greenville made a \$1,000 contribution to the state council's Priest Education Fund. This was the first ever by a Fourth Degree Assembly and Faithful Navigator Norman Kiehm challenged all assemblies to follow his assembly's example in the years ahead. I am confident that there will be a response to this challenge.

Visits to Assemblies

In my last year's report I stated that one of my goals was to visit every assembly in the district at least twice each year. I have achieved this goal in almost all instances and in some cases surpassed it. Visiting the assemblies has been a pleasant experience without exception and I am looking forward to future visits. I wish to remind the faithful navigators that I only go where I am invited. I especially look for invitations to the installation of officers.

Meetings

On the weekend of September 7 and 8, 1985, I attended a meeting of the Bienville Province in New Orleans, Louisiana, as a guest of Vice Supreme Master Dr. Ernest J. Cook, Jr. Bienville Province encompasses the states of Alabama, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

This meeting, like all others, was very informative at which many interesting subjects were discussed. Dr. Cook proved to be a very gracious host and the meeting was enjoyed by all who attended.

At the time this report is being written, a meeting of the District Assembly is scheduled to be held in Vicksburg on April 12, 1986. The Master of each district is required to hold such a meeting once every two years to which each assembly sends two delegates, one of which is the incumbent faithful navigator. This meeting is held for the purpose of bringing up new business matters, discussing the old, presenting resolutions and nominating three candidates for the Office of Master for the coming two year term. This is the most important meeting on the Master's schedule at which representatives from all assemblies are expected to be present.

Instruction Manuals

As a result of my meetings early in my administration, it became apparent to me that assembly officers were poorly informed as to their duties, especially faithful navigators and faithful comptrollers. To remedy this, I compiled manuals for these offices, styled along the lines of the manual each Master receives upon taking office. These manuals contain all the data and examples of specific procedures that the faithful navigator and faithful comptroller need in the accomplishment of their duties.

Honor Guard

Soon after taking office I embarked on a campaign of bringing much-needed visibility to the Fourth Degree. Whenever the opportunity presented itself, I promoted the use of honor guards and the purchase of capes and chapeaux. This campaign has succeeded beyond my expectations and continues to flourish. Especially noteworthy is the increase in number of Sir Knights purchasing the complete regalia, more significantly in the smaller assemblies. I am pleased to report that the kit of transparencies I prepared and distributed to each assembly to supplement the Manual of the Sword has been enthusiastically received and is being widely used. The use of honor guards is on the increase, which is most gratifying, and I encourage their use whenever appropriate. A recent survey revealed that 115 Fourth Degree members in this district have the full regalia and a number of others have either bought or are in the process of buying the articles they need. I find this very encouraging.

Awards

In keeping with goals set for myself at the beginning of my administration, it was my pleasure to recognize certain assemblies and individuals within the district for their achievements. Since the Fourth Degree does not have a convention of its own, per se, awards are made at banquets following exemplification ceremonies. At the banquet following the exemplification in Greenville on July 14, 1985, it was my privilege to present Msgr. J.J. Igoe Assembly, Greenville, with a plaque for being selected as the Assembly of the Year for 1984-85. The Knight of the Year Award was presented to Sir Knight Norman Kiehm, Faithful Navigator of the Greenville Assembly. For its work on the maintenance of the St. Patrick Catholic Cemetery in Meridian, the Msgr. John J. Burns Assembly from Meridian received the Best Single Service Award. An award for Outstanding Service was made to the Cleveland Assembly.

Awards for the 1985-86 fraternal year were presented at the banquet following exemplification ceremonies in Jackson on February 16, 1986. At that time it was my pleasure to recognize the Vicksburg Assembly as the Assembly of the Year. For the second year in a row, Sir Knight Norman Kiehm received the Knight of the Year Award. It came as a surprise to Faithful Navigator Dr. Luis Borrell when Vice Supreme Master Dr. Joseph Cook asked him to come to the podium to accept a special award on behalf of his assembly. At my suggestion to Sir Knight Tom Zettler, the Meridian Assembly entered the "To Be A Patriot" contest sponsored by the Supreme Office,

submitting its St. Patrick Cemetery project as an entry. The entry was not a national winner, but it did win first place in the Bienville Province. We should all be proud of the Msgr. John J. Burns Assembly for being selected for this singular honor. Although not a national winner, it did receive national recognition by being publicized in the February 1986 issue of the *Columbia* magazine. The Supreme Office is again sponsoring this contest and all assemblies should make an effort to participate in it.

New Assemblies

That the Fourth Degree is truly on the move in Mississippi is evident not only by the recent influx of new Sir Knights in both districts, but by plans for new assemblies as well. Columbus is actively striving to have an assembly chartered and Tupelo has expressed its interest. Personally, I would like to see assemblies chartered in both locations and in Corinth as well. All three have the potential and it would be extremely advantageous for all three because of the lack of any assembly in northeast Mississippi. I encourage by Brother Knights in these councils to work toward that end and I will do my best to assist them in achieving it.

Conclusion

As my term of office draws to a close, I wish to express my appreciation to all Sir Knights who have assisted me in making it such a rewarding experience, especially Worthy Master of District No. 2, Paulino Carrubba, and the Fourth Degree Exemplification Team from Pascagoula. I pledge my support to the Fourth Degree and my successor and conclude with my motto "Be Proud of the Fourth Degree."

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Kajdan

Master

Mississippi District No. 1

REPORT OF THE FOURTH DEGREE DISTRICT NO. 2

To the 82nd Annual Convention of the Mississippi State Council Knights of Columbus - April 27, 1986 - Jackson, Mississippi.

The Fourth Degree membership in District No. 2 continues to grow. Progress is slow, but it is progress. Our membership drive has been very effective as it continues to offset natural attrition and other losses and is increasing our ranks. Membership is the life blood of any organization. We must maintain a viable ratio between gains and losses in order to have a healthy and progressive assembly. Activity signifies interest and interest creates a desire to participate and to serve. An active assembly is a progressive assembly.

An exemplification was held on Sunday, March 9, 1986 in Pascagoula. This was the only exemplification held in District 2 since the 1985 Convention. An exemplification was scheduled for October 20, 1985, but had to be cancelled due to the havoc created by Hurricane Elena.

The District 2 Degree Team, under the able leadership of Sir Knight Bernard Frederic, Team Captain and Area 1 Marshall, has conducted three very successful and effective exemplifications

this fraternal year, two in District 1 and one in District 2.

An eighth assembly was added to District 2 when, on January 20, 1986, the Fourth Degree members of Fred Westbrook Sr. Council 5654 in Ocean Springs were granted a charter to form a new assembly to be known as Father Francis Deigan Assembly, computer No. 2059. We congratulate and welcome the new assembly and assure them of our full support in their new endeavor. With forty-seven charter members and another eight new initiates, they are off to an auspicious beginning and well on their way to being a successful and progressive assembly.

We are pleased to announce the Pere Le Duc Assembly of Bay St. Louis and Laurel Assembly of Laurel have been awarded the Supreme Master's Special Award for Membership for 1984-85. This is the second year, consecutively, that these two assemblies have met and exceeded the ten-percent increase in membership requirement for this award. We congratulate them for their industry and dedication to our honored Order. Congratulations are also in order for Sir Knight John "Pat" Myers, Sir Knight of the Year and d'Iberville Assembly of Biloxi, Assembly of the Year. All of the above awards were presented at the exemplification banquet on March 9, 1986 in Pascagoula.

The Honor Guard has been active in all assemblies, some more than others, with participation in church as well as civic functions. They have been well received and we are justly proud for them.

Through the Religious Fund the District continues to support a novice and a seminarian by the way of the Near East Welfare Fund under the directorship of Msgr. John G. Nolan.

Accepting the challenge of Supreme Master Nicolas, the assemblies of District 2 have picked up the gauntlet and remitted to the Supreme Master an average of five dollars per member for a 100% contribution from Mississippi District No. 2 as our share in the renovation of the emblem of hope and freedom for the world, the Statue of Liberty.

As representative of the District, I have attended functions in other Districts of Bienville Province, including Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi District No. 1 and the Provincial Meeting in New Orleans on September 7 & 8, 1985.

All officers in the District were formally installed by me within the prescribed time. We are in constant contact with the assemblies through personal visits, by mail and by telephone. Most assemblies in the District have been very active during the past year. Each assembly has its own special project. All has not been peaches and cream. There have been disappointments along the way, but the overall picture is one of progress.

Our membership is growing and it will continue to grow as long as the assemblies remain active, participate in church and civic functions with the colorful Honor Guard, assist the church in all programs, get involved in community projects, hold regular meetings and above all, conduct ourselves as the Christian gentlemen that we are.

Dr. Ernest J. Cook, Jr. of New Orleans, Vice Supreme Master of the Bienville Province has resigned in order to devote more time to his position as Supreme Director. On March 21, 1986, the Supreme Board of Directors, at a meeting held in New York, New York, voted that Phil O'Brien of Nashville, Tennessee, Past State Deputy and Former Master, be appointed as Vice Supreme Master of Bienville Province for the unexpired term ending June 30, 1987. I have met brother Phil O'Brien and know that Bienville Province is in good hands.

I wish to thank the Supreme Board of Directors for the honor and privilege to have served as Master of Mississippi Districts for the past four years. I also wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the Faithful Navigators and all the Sir Knights in the Districts for the courtesies, assistance and cooperation you have given me during my tenure as Master. And to Past State Deputy Don Oldmixon, Past State Deputy Robert Fratesi and State Deputy Wiley Price, Jr. for your cooperation and to Sir Knight Norman McDonald, District Marshall, who was always on hand when I needed him to assist me in the discharge of my duties as Master. Last, but by no means least, many thanks to Former Vice Supreme Master Dave Atteberry for his guidance and confidence in this country boy.

I shall always cherish this period of my life. I have met many Brother Knights, made many new friends and learned very much. It has been an education, challenging, exhilarating and rewarding.

My brothers, Knights and Sir Knights, each and every one, I thank you.

Vivat Jesus

Respectfully submitted,
 Paulino J. Carrubba
 Master
 Mississippi District No. 2

PAST STATE DEPUTIES

The following is a list of the living Past State Deputies who have served the Mississippi Jurisdiction.

1948-1950	I . Semmes Luckett	
1950-1952	John P. Myers	X
1952-1954	John F. Smith	
1957-1959	Hilton A. Seymour	X
1961-1963	Ely P. Shapley	
1963-1965	Fred L. Westbrook, Jr.	
1969-1971	Norman L. Kiehm	X
1971-1973	William F. LaForge	X
1973-1975	George R. Scheiderman	
1975-1977	Jesse J. Quinn	X
1977-1979	Dave Atteberry	X
1979-1981	Rodney J. Sandoz	X
1981-1983	Don Oldmixon	X
1983-1985	Robert Fratesi	X
1985-		

Those listed who are in attendance at this convention (those present are indicated by a X mark) are entitled to two days per diem, unless they are also a delegate, in which case they would also be entitled to mileage.

Respectfully submitted,
Hilton A. Seymour, President
Past State Deputies Assn.

PAST STATE DEPUTY HILTON A. SEYMOUR AWARD

The Past State Deputy Hilton A. Seymour Award for Outstanding Columbian Activity for the year 1985-1986 was won by St. Therese Council No. 8285, Jackson.

Councils that have won the award since its inception are as follows:

1959 - Vicksburg Council No. 898
1960 - Biloxi Council No. 1244
1961 - Biloxi Council No. 1244
1962 - Bishop Fahey Council No. 1908, Hattiesburg
1963 - Msgr. John J. Burns Council No. 802, Meridian
1964 - Biloxi Council No. 1244
1965 - Pascagoula Council No. 1605
1966 - Father Rotondo Council No. 5556, Cleveland
1967 - Father Korstenbroek Council No. 2134, Greenville
1968 - Fred L. Westbrook, Sr. Council No. 5654, Ocean Springs
1969 - Bishop R.O. Gerow Council No. 1034, Natchez
1970 - Msgr. John F. Clerico Council No. 5267, Greenwood
1971 - Bishop Gunn Council No. 1583, Gulfport
1972 - Clarksdale Council No. 2969
1973 - Biloxi Council No. 1244
1974 - St. Vincent Council No. 4898 (dePaul) Long Beach
1975 - Vicksburg Council No. 898
1976 - Biloxi Council No. 1244
1977 - Biloxi Council No. 1244
1978 - Bishop Gunn Council No. 1583, Gulfport
1979 - Clarksdale Council No. 2969
1980 - Biloxi Council No. 1244; John T. Savage Council No. 848, Jackson
1981 - Msgr. P.J. Carey Council No. 1605, Pascagoula
1982 - Msgr. P.J. Carey Council No. 1605, Pascagoula
1983 - Msgr. P.J. Carey Council No. 1605, Pascagoula
1984 - Biloxi Council No. 1244
1985 - St. Jude Centennial Council No. 8038, Pearl
1986 - St. Therese Council No. 8285, Jackson

Respectfully submitted,
Hilton A. Seymour, P.S.D.

STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The State Convention Committee was established by resolution at the 1985 State Convention and empowered to act on behalf of all members of the state council under the jurisdiction for the State Deputy as specified within the State Convention guidelines. A committee of five members was appointed by the State Deputy. They were: Joe Goellner, Sr., Chairman; Dan Farrell; Don Oldmixon; John Maloney; and Hank Kajdan. This committee has worked very diligently to establish the five year plan as specified in the guidelines and to assist with the planning of the 1986 Convention. The guidelines call for the committee responsibilities to be divided between the state and local convention committees. For example, the state committee is responsible for selecting the hotel and negotiating the agreement for rooms and facilities, protocol, convention program booklet, masses, etc. Therefore the local committee is responsible for registration, finance, banquet, dance and other functions. This method has worked well this year and should be continued.

Sites for the five year planning cycle have been reviewed, recommended to, and approved by the State Deputy with the exception of the 1987 Convention in Biloxi. By motion during the 1985 Convention, Biloxi Council was granted an exemption from the state convention guidelines and will be only required to answer to the State Deputy. Therefore, Biloxi Council has assumed the responsibilities of the state and local convention committees and are financially responsible for the convention. Hopefully, the required statistical information will be provided by Biloxi Council to maintain the continuity of convention statistical and historical records which began in 1984.

Tupelo requested and has been approved for the 1988 site. The motel and convention facilities have been reserved. Planning should begin soon after a local chairman has been approved by the State Deputy.

Bids are requested and reviewed for the 1989 and 1990 convention sites. The State Deputy has approved Jackson for 1989 and Biloxi for 1990. Motel and convention facilities have been reserved in both locations, but local committee participation needs to be planned.

Now is the time to take request to host the 1991 convention. Councils wishing to bid should make a request to the State Convention Committee. Sites will be reviewed and a recommendation made for approval by the State Deputy so facilities can be reserved.

There is a real question as to the desires of the membership and the percentage who favor various functions on the convention agenda. We have only the past two years' statistics on which to base a decision. Hopefully, the statistics and critique of this convention will provide an expanded basis for future conventions.

Our experience and projections in conjunction with hotel, motel projections indicate that the average costs to conventioners will increase significantly in the future. The small profits that we have made over the past few years could be of real use to us in keeping our increase to a minimum. The convention committee recommends that all profits from conventions be set aside as a treasurer's entry to be used in future years to subsidize the fluctuations of conventions costs.

The State Committee recommends a small, but very important addition to the State Convention guidelines to define the procedure for handling the net income when the state council is financially responsible. We recommend that a paragraph be added, after Part 3 of Exhibit I "Financial Responsibility Option - State Council Committee," to define the actions between the State Council

Committee and the State Treasurer, for maintaining records of the State Convention net income. A resolution has been submitted to the resolutions committee for that purpose.

The committee would be remiss if it did not take this opportunity to note two exemplary events that occurred this year.

The outstanding performance of Brother Gary Gray in handling the majority of commercial ads for our convention booklet. Let it be widely known that this Brother has set an example that will be a beacon to each of us in the years to come. Congratulations, Gary.

Second, the best convention in our memory does not come about without dedicated and sustained labor. The local committee in its entirety is responsible and deserves the finest accolades of this convention gathering.

Respectfully submitted,

State Convention Committee
Joe Goellner, Sr., Chairman
Dan Farrell
John Maloney
Hank Kajdan

and additional Annual State Convention Committee
Don Oldmixon
Charles Collins
Fredie Callegan

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Resolution No. 1

Where As: The Jackson area councils: John T. Savage Council No. 848, Clinton Council No. 7854, St. Jude Centennial Council No. 8038, and St. Theresa Council No. 8285 have been such excellent hosts to the 82nd Annual Convention and,

Where As: The Officers, Members and Wives have arranged to put on such an outstanding convention

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the sincere thanks of those in attendance at this convention be extended to the Host Councils for the superior manner in which they discharged their responsibility.

Recommendation: Adopt
Action: Adopt

Respectfully submitted,
Dan Farrell, State Advocate

Resolution No. 2

Where As: The Supreme Representative Edward Nutter and his wife Marilyn have honored this State Council with their presence and,

Where As: His address at the Convention Banquet was extremely informative and well received and enjoyed by everyone.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Mississippi State Council express its sincere thanks and appreciation to Supreme Representative Edward Nutter and his wife Marilyn and extend to them a cordial invitation to return and visit our jurisdiction whenever they may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 3

Where As: U.S. Representative G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery has honored State Council with his presence and,

Where As: His address at the Convention Banquet was well received and enjoyed by everyone.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Mississippi State Council express its sincere thanks and appreciation to Congressman U.S. Representative G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery and extend to him a cordial invitation to return and visit with us whenever he may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 4

Be It Resolved, that the Mississippi State Council authorize the expenditure of \$250.00 to each Diocese in the name of Catholic orphans in the Mississippi jurisdiction, and a check in this amount be presented to Bishop Houck and to Bishop Howze for use at their discretion.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 5

Where As: The *Columbia Magazine* is available to public libraries at a special rate, and

Where As: The dissemination of the type literature in the *Columbia Magazine* would reach those who might not otherwise be exposed to the same.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the State Council authorize the Supreme Council to continue the subscription to *Columbia Magazine* for public libraries in the Mississippi jurisdiction.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 6

Where As: The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Twenty-Third Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution adopted at the State Convention held in Meridian, and

Where As: Members from throughout the jurisdiction participated in the tournament, and

Where As: It is the express desire by vote of participants to again hold this activity in 1987.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Mississippi State Council sponsor at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi Knights of Columbus Twenty-Fourth Annual Handicap Bowling Congress. Time and date to be set at the discretion of the host council.

Be It Further Resolved: That the Mississippi State Council present appropriate trophies at no expense to itself and as provided by the bowling association, to the winners of certain events conducted in the tournament.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 7

Where As: The members of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus desire to participate in a softball tournament.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Mississippi State Council sponsor, at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi State Knights of Columbus Annual Softball Tournament for its membership, said tournament to carry the official sanction of the American Softball Association. Date and time to be set by host council.

Be It Further Resolved, that the Mississippi State Council present appropriate trophies, at no expense to itself, and as provided by the softball association, to the winners of certain events conducted in the softball tournament.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 8

Where As: Article IV, Section 5, of the Mississippi State Council by-laws states that the expenses of the State Officers, Delegates, District Deputies and Past State Deputies shall be determined by resolution at each State Council meeting for the ensuing annual meeting.

Be It Resolved, that pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State Council by-laws per diem expenses of the State Officers, Delegates, District Deputies, to the State Council meeting for the ensuing year are hereby set and established to be paid at **\$40.00** per day for **2** days, plus mileage at **.20 cents** per mile one way, to be based on mileage figures furnished by the Mississippi State Highway Department. Past State Deputies in attendance will be paid the per diem for **2** days and no mileage.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 9

Where As: The Knights of Columbus continually seek the guidance of the Holy Father, and,

Where As: The Knights of Columbus are ever concerned with the welfare of the Holy Church, and especially the continuing decline in the number of men entering the priesthood, and

Where As: Priests who deem it necessary to leave the priesthood can now no longer receive laicization, and,

Where As: Some devout young men may be hesitating on entering the priesthood for fear of losing access to the Holy Sacraments should they eventually fail in their service to their church, therefore

Be It Resolved: That the Supreme Knight should communicate to the Holy Father our concern that the current policy on laicization of priests is having a negative impact on the number of men entering the priesthood, should seek his consideration of this concern, and should ask for his guidance.

Recommendation: Refer to State Deputy

Action: Referred to State Deputy for discussion with State Chaplain and Bishop Houck

Resolution No. 10

Where As: The Knights of Columbus were founded to provide spiritual and physical support to their members, and to the families of deceased Brothers, and

Where As: The Knights of Columbus have established an outstanding insurance program to assist in the physical support of their members, and the families of deceased Brothers, and,

Where As: Many Knights rely on their life insurance to cover their final earthly expenses, and

Where As: Some Knights, due to certain medical conditions or age, do not qualify for the standard Knights of Columbus insurance, and therefore cannot insure payment of their final earthly expenses, therefore

Be It Resolved, that the Supreme Council be requested to develop a **special** insurance program, with appropriate premiums and **limited** benefits, to assist in paying the final earthly expenses, for those Brothers not eligible for the standard Knights of Columbus life insurance due to age or medical conditions.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

Resolution No. 11

Submitted by the membership of Bishop Gerow Assembly No. 544 Diocese of Jackson

Where As: The current provision for reimbursing the Masters of the Fourth Degree in the Mississippi jurisdiction are inadequate to cover their expense incurred in the discharge of their duties and,

Where As: It should be called to note, that in order to follow the direction of the Supreme Officers urging increase of membership, it is necessary for the Master to travel great distances in a state that has a very sparse and widely distributed Catholic population and,

Where As: The Present Master of the Jackson District has incurred personal indebtedness and,

Where As: The Fourth Degree of our Order reports to the State Deputy in all major decisions, it is therefore

Proposed: The Masters of the Fourth Degree of our Order be so included with the State Officers, and be subject to reimbursement for certain necessary expenses incurred for the betterment of our Order in the same manner as District Deputies.

Recommendation: Refer to State Deputy for discussion with other jurisdictions with similar problem.

Action: Adopted

Resolution No. 12

Resolution to amend State Convention Guidelines

Where As: The State Convention Guidelines do not describe the specific procedures for handling the State Convention financial transactions between each year's convention committee and the State Treasurer as per the State Convention guidelines, and

Where As: Local convention committees who choose the State Council responsibility option under the guidelines may receive advance money to finance initial convention expense, and

Where As: Additional procedures are needed to describe the financial reporting and returning of advance money and net funds to the State Council.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the following paragraph be added to the State Convention Guidelines. "Financial Responsibility Option - State Council Committee" to read as follows: The local convention committee as described in the exhibits of the State Convention guidelines must present the statistical information and funds from the State Convention account to the State Convention committee for deposit with the State Treasurer prior to July 1 of each year, and,

Be It Further Resolved: That the financial report of each year's convention be recorded in the minutes of ensuing years' State Treasurers' report and the income and expense transactions be clearly indentified. Also to use the funds (add Amendment) accrued to subsidize future State Conventions held under Exhibit 1. "State Council Responsibility" as designated by the State Convention committee and approved by the State Deputy.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The State Deputy then called for the election of officers.

STATE DEPUTY - Thomas Zettler nominated Wiley Price, Jr. for the 1986-87 year. There being no other nominees, Brother Wiley Price, Jr. was elected by Acclamation. The State Secretary was directed to cast one vote for his election.

STATE SECRETARY - Gerald Rose nominated Dennis Ladnier, Sr. for the 1986-87 year. There being no other nominees, Brother Dennis Ladnier, Sr. was elected by Acclamation. The State Secretary was directed to cast one vote for his election.

STATE TREASURER - Freddie Calligan nominated Joseph Goellner, Sr. for the 1986-87 year. There being no other nominees, Joseph Goellner, Sr. was elected by Acclamation. The State Secretary was directed to cast one vote for his election.

STATE ADVOCATE - Freddie A. Roberts nominated Daniel Farrell for the 1987-87 year. There being no other nominees, Daniel Farrell was elected. The State Secretary was directed to cast one vote for his election.

STATE WARDEN - Gary Gainsoletti nominated Marvin Lott for the 1986-87 year. There being no other nominees, Marvin Lott was elected. The State Secretary was directed to cast one vote for his election.

THIRD DELEGATE TO SUPREME CONVENTION - The names of Marvin Lott, Paulino Carrubba, John J. Maloney, Joseph Goellner, Sr., and Don Oldmixon were nominated. Ballots were cast and the results were: Marvin Lott - 45, Paulino Carrubba - 6, John J. Maloney - 11, Joseph Goellner, Sr. - 2, Don Oldmixon - 4. Marvin Lott was elected as the Third Delegate to Supreme Convention.

FOURTH DELEGATE TO SUPREME CONVENTION - The names of John Maloney, Joseph Goellner, Sr. and Paulino Carrubba were nominated. Ballots were cast and the results were: John Maloney - 37, Joseph Goellner, Sr. - 15, Paulino Carrubba - 15. John Maloney was elected as the Fourth Delegate to Supreme Convention. Alternates were elected as follows:

Paulino Carrubba	First Alternate
Joseph Goellner, Sr.	Second Alternate
Stanley M. Swentkowski	Third Alternate
Thomas Zettler	Fourth Alternate

SELECTION OF CONVENTION SITES:

1987	Biloxi
1988	Southaven-Tupelo
1989	Jackson
1990	Biloxi
1991	Natchez

A motion to have all reports written and not be read at the convention had passed and it was brought up because it was not submitted at the right time. An open discussion was held and then Past State Deputy Hilton Seymour made a motion which was seconded to table this motion.

There being no further business to be brought before the State Council, the State Deputy adjourned the 82nd Annual State Knights of Columbus Convention with a prayer.

