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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE
88TH ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION
MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Friday, April 24, 1992

The 88th Annual State Convention of the Mississippi State Council, Knights of Columbus was convened at 6:00 p.m. with State Deputy Stanley M. Swentkowski calling the meeting to order. Father Frank Cocoran, past State Chaplain, said the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag led by Norman Kiehm, Fourth Degree Master. Convention chair Freddie Biglane introduced Mayor David Armstrong who welcomed the Knights and their ladies and guests to Natchez.

State Secretary Tom Zettler gave the response on behalf of the State Council to Mayor Armstrong. State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski officially called the convention to order at 6:26 p.m.

The delegates voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1991 convention on a proper motion and second. The minutes were then passed out to all delegates in attendance. State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski 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:

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
88TH ANNUAL CONVENTION**

Committee Appointments

The committees listed below are appointed to assist in the work of the convention. Except for the Credentials Committee and the Tellers, all committees are expected to meet at the adjournment of the second business session on Saturday, April 25, 1992, at a 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:** Tom Zettler, State Secretary, Darrel Hipp #8038, John Lewis #10216, Eddie Dixon #8760, Paul Schommer #6872, Davey Lee Farris #2969, Wayne Broussard #9673.
2. **Mileage & Per Diem:** Greg Nicolet, State Treasurer, Gordon Cowie #8038, Bill Geoghegan #1034, Curtis Harrison, Jr. #1244, Adam Dilorenzo #4898, Ed Futey #2134, David Hughes #2180.
3. **Resolutions:** Jesse Quinn III, State Advocate, Marvin Lott PSD, Dennis Ladner PSD, Rick Gaspard #8285, James Heitz #6765, Jack Cunningham DD #9.
4. **State K of C Audit:** K of C Foundation Audit: John Pat Myers, Executive Secretary, Richard Hoda #7087, Hollis Moran #9958, John Maher #9543, Frank McManus #9673.
5. **Election Tellers:** Robert Fratesi PSD, Jesse Quinn, Jr. PSD, Fred Westbrook PSD, Rodney Sandoz PSD.
6. **Good of the Order:** Guy Todaro, Jr., State Warden, Claude Vinson #8760, Orlando Fratesi #5267, Thomas Corkern #7915, Andrew Mitchell #1522, Sterling Peters #7854, James Leatherwood #8912, Zenon Sucharski #898.

7. **Ceremonials: Wiley Price, Jr., PSD, Patrick Quinn #5267, Greg Davis #9094, Ted Knowles #1605, Lesse Ladner #4472.**
8. **Public Relations: Norman Keilm, PSD, Fred Spencer #9409, Gordon Coker #7120, David Longo #8285, Ben Bailey #5556, Tom Chady #898, David Malatesta #6555.**
9. **Membership: Roy Patterson, Membership Chairman, Frank Labigang #7910, Lou Zylka #10216, DD#4, Fred Ward, Bruce Pabon #10499, James Rossetti #2969, Maynard Chandler #2134.**

ALL INSURANCE AGENTS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.

10. **State Convention: Marvin Lott, PSD, Mouise Richards #802, Bob Brinton #8848, Keith Merritt #8848, Bill Gratzman #2180, Pat Biglane #1034, Karl Roberger #1583.**
11. **Service Programs: Larry Tabor, Program Chairman.**
 - A. **Church: John Szymonik, James Dunigan #7910, Leon Shapley #2945, Emile Vial #6872, Joe Bramucchi #6555, Exavier Niolet #4472, Rick Penick #8054.**
 - B. **Community Activity: James Yaggi, Daniel Cerrantez #7915, Jerry Graham #898, Lloyd Everhardt #7854, Carl Brochard #5654, Joseph Serio #8054.**
 - C. **Leroy Hebert, John Maloney #802, John Collins #9543, Albert Rocconi #5556, E. H. Merriman, Sr. #10443, Mike Craft #1583, Ted Applewhite #6592.**
 - D. **Family Life: John Bennett, Elbert Cuevan #7087, Charlie Morlino #2945, Fred Cunningham #848, Michael Liberto #10443, Louis Labella #9234, John Carr #6592.**
 - E. **Youth Director: Charles Underwood, Billy Wagener #10499, Ira McKay #9958, David Di Lorenzo #4898, James Donnelly #9094, Joe Tannehill #9234, Tommy Brochard #5654.**

State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski asked District Deputy #10 Larry Tabor to read his report.

State Advocate Jessie Quinn, III, passed out all resolutions received prior to the convention.

State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski appointed George Souderes, the Financial Secretary of the Natchez Council 1034, as the Chairman of the Financial Secretaries meeting.

Jim Yaggi, State Community Director, announced that the food and monies collected at the convention this year would be donated to the Natchez Catholic Charities, Inc.

There were several announcements made by Greg Niolet, President of Columbus of Mississippi, regarding the drawing to be held.

State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski asked that any Grand Knight, District Deputy, and Committee Reports not previously sent to the State Secretary be turned in to him at this time.

The First Business Session was closed by a prayer by past State Chaplain, Father Frank Cocoran. The delegates adjourned for the state raffle and banquet.

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

The following officers were installed on July 16, 1991:

Grand Knight.....	Mouise T. Richards
Deputy Grand Knight.....	John Bennett
Chaplain.....	Fr. Kevin Slattery
Chancellor.....	Jose Gomez
Financial Secretary.....	Tom Zettler
Treasurer.....	Johnny Walters
Warden.....	Pete Vining
Recorder.....	John Harwell
Advocate.....	Mike Griffith
Lecturer.....	George Walston
Inside Guard.....	Doug Robicheaux
Outside Guard.....	Frankie Busbee
Trustees.....	David Koch Paul Carpenter John Maloney

A new budget was approved for the year under the direction of program director John Maloney. The Finance Committee reviewed other items which were later added to the budget.

Bingo remained the main source of income for the council. Using guidelines set by the State Legislature, bingo games were held at the council hall every Wednesday night.

Goals which were set and achieved included refinishing the floor in the main hall, initiating a rewiring project at the hall, and a very successful membership drive.

Among the highlights of the year were the following: monetary and spiritual support for Scott Wright, a member who is studying for the priesthood; contributions to various church, community, youth, and family activities, and renewal of the coffee and doughnut program after mass. The council has experienced a successful and rewarding year thanks to the hard work and efforts of our members. Our council has been a driving force behind charitable endeavors, especially in the East Mississippi area. We hope to continue to progress and have even greater success next year.

Sincerely,

Mouise Richards

Grand Knight, Council 802
Meridian, Mississippi

JOHN T. SAVAGE COUNCIL 848
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Worthy State Deputy and Brother Knights,

Not too long ago, all of you received a copy of the special edition of **COLUMBIA** magazine. The contents of this issue dealt mainly with the concept of stewardship. A steward, according to Webster's Dictionary, is one entrusted with the management of the household or estate of another. What follows is a report of my stewardship as Grand Knight of John T. Savage Council 848 since assuming office on July 1, 1991. For me, this is a brand new undertaking, never having held office of this magnitude before. When first approached about accepting nomination, I was hesitant. But, I did accept and was elected. Now that I am Grand Knight, I will do my best to fulfill the duties of my office to the best of my abilities. At this point, I doubt if there is a Grand Knight in this jurisdiction who would trade places with me.

STATE OF THE COUNCIL

For the past several years, my predecessors have reported a steadily worsening condition of our council. I regret to state, that things have not improved. If anything, our finances are precarious and it is only through the efforts of a few of us that we are managing to keep afloat. The discontinuation of BINGO was the blow that brought us to our knees and from which we have not recovered. At no time did we enjoy a big income from this activity, but we managed nicely with what we got. After BINGO became legal, we endeavored to start the operation again, but it was too late. The old customers, by that time, were attracted to bigger BINGO operations elsewhere and we had to close shop. I am sure that all of you can understand our predicament because for a time we all suffered equally.

In previous Grand Knight reports, you have been informed of our property being up for sale. To date, nothing of consequence has developed. We are confident, however, that a buyer will turn up. In the meantime, we operate as usual. At the same time, we are well aware that some day we will be faced with making a decision on the course our council will have to take. Under present conditions, it appears that there is a good possibility of dissolution.

MEMBERSHIP

I hate to bring up this subject in my report because to our council this has been a no-win situation for many years. Once other parishes began coming into the picture, our membership started to drop. Suspensions, deaths, withdrawals, changes in life styles, all left their mark. As of January 1, 1992, our membership stands at 79 active members. At our peak, our council had over 400 members. Records will show that we have failed to recruit any appreciable number of members for several years. Several reasons could be cited here, but none would be a credit to our efforts or, rather, the lack of same.

The reason that our council is not affiliated with any parish is probably the biggest cause of our continued failure to increase membership. I will touch on this subject later in my report. Also, location is a factor. Our council home is in an isolated, high crime area, which is reason enough for the lack of candidates. Now and then, we manage to pull in a "live one" but not often. We have just about run out of recruitment ideas.

ACTIVITIES

Despite our miserable status, the same 12 to 16 members keep showing up for meetings and so we manage to hobble along, doing what we can to keep up the morale. It is a difficult task to keep depending on the few, but up to now we have held fast. We still have our covered dish suppers with the Ladies Auxiliary every first Tuesday of the month and with the ladies have perpetuated the annual dinner for graduating seniors and the awarding of two scholarships to sons or daughters of our members.

In September, we conducted a spaghetti dinner for the benefit of The Stewpot, a volunteer organization which helps feed the poor. In November, we sponsored our 22nd Annual KC Memorial Scholarship Bowl at St. Joseph High School Bishop Brunini Field. The proceeds from that activity went to the Scholarship Fund. In addition to the scholarships, our Council made donations to the St. Joseph High School Tuition Assistance Fund and to the St. Peter's Parish Tuition Assistance Fund. In December, we held our annual Christmas party in conjunction with the Ladies Auxiliary at which we had a money tree for the benefit of the Community Service Program for Senior Citizens. This project brought in just under \$200 plus several blankets donated by the members of the Auxiliary. This last mentioned activity wound up our activities program for the first half of the council year.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Our plans for the next six months included the following major activities:

1. Annual invitational basketball tournament for elementary grades. This was held in January.
2. Spaghetti dinner for the benefit of the Bishop Gerow Memorial Priest Education Fund. This was held in February.
3. Free Throw Contest. This was eventually cancelled because of previously scheduled events at the St. Richard and St. Mary gyms.
4. Tootsie Roll Drive in May.

PARISH AFFILIATION

Earlier in my report I touched on the subject of becoming affiliated with some parish. The purpose for the affiliation would be to gain more exposure and recognition for the Knights of Columbus while at the same time becoming absorbed into the mainstream of parish life which we now do not have. A survey was conducted among our members with encouraging results. The consensus was to, hopefully, become a part of St. Richard Parish. Past Grand Knight Henry Kajdan volunteered his services to pursue this matter and meet with Father Somers, the pastor. He did meet with Father Somers on four occasions and discussed the matter. Since a report on these meetings was prepared by Brother Kajdan and submitted to State Deputy Swentkowski, I will not go into the details of these meetings. We were not turned down, but neither were we accepted. At this time, it looks like the proposition is on the back burner.

CONCLUSION

There is no way to describe the difficult times we are going through. And there is no way to tell when we will be seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. As the second oldest council in this jurisdiction, we have survived other crises and you may rest assured that we will persevere.

Respectfully submitted,

Chester Lamparty
Grand Knight

VICKSBURG COUNCIL 898
VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Council No. 898 of the Knights of Columbus began the year with the installation of Council Officers. Officers were installed with the appropriate ceremonies by District Deputy Terry Lott. The installation was conducted August 16, 1991, with State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski, members and their wives and families and friends in attendance. Refreshments were served.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

Chaplains	Father James O'Riordan Father Thomas McGing
Grand Knight	Zenon "Sonny" Sucharski
Deputy Grand Knight	Rick Caldwell
Chancellor	Jessee A. Boyd, Jr.
Financial Secretary	Thomas Chady
Treasurer	A. L. "Chink" Sullivan, Jr.
Recorder	Joseph McNamara
Advocate	Charles Marshall
Trustee (3 year)	Al McDevitt
Trustee (2 year)	Allen Derivaux
Trustee	Billy Wilson
Lecturer	William F. Lauderdale, Sr.
Warden	William Steinreide
Inside Guard	Martin Hebler
Outside Guard	Syd Johnson

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Council conducts monthly Rosary prayer service.
2. K. C. members work on building pledges for St. Michael and St. Paul by going house to house.
3. Members serve as CCD teachers.
4. Members serve as RENEW group leaders.
5. Members serve as lectors, ushers, eucharistic ministers at masses at all local parishes.
6. Members held quarterly corporate communion services.
7. Members donated use of council home for local church activities.
8. Members held Priest Education Fund spaghetti supper and had the largest ticket sales in the history (10 years).
9. Council held vocation night.
10. We are scheduling the delivery of the 3rd World Cross to our parishes in May.
11. Members held a clothes drive for Saltillo.
12. Members held a monthly breakfast to raise money for Saltillo.
13. Members sent \$1100.00 donation to Saltillo and 22 KC members went to Saltillo Mission to help with repairs, take care of the medical needs of the mission, etc.
14. Council held Thursday Adoration at St. Paul and St. Michael Churches. All 4th degree members served as Honor Guards until 10:00 P.M. and participated in the processions as well. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree members and their families also participated in the processional making it much more effective.
15. Council donated \$250.00 to Immaculate Conception in Clarksdale for repair to the church.

We have been asked by the Chancery in Jackson to serve as hosts for the second priest convocation which will be held the week of October 20th. We are now in the process of making plans for this special event. We must have made a good impression on the priests and the bishops for all of our hard work and preparation, and of course our usual brotherly hospitality.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1. Will conduct annual Tootsie Roll Drive in April.
2. Prepared Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners for older sisters and delivered them to the convent. We had food prepared for 45 sisters.
3. Sponsored Meals on Wheels Program; monthly deliveries.
4. Purchased an ad for Knights of Columbus in Miss Vicksburg Pageant Program.
5. A group of KC members and their wives helped with the concession stand the night of the Miss Vicksburg Pageant.

6. Knights of Columbus Home was used for a fund raiser for Catholic schools.
7. Purchased ad for Knights of Columbus in Vicksburg Veterans of Foreign Wars Program as good neighbors.
8. Brother Knights active in local elections.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Held insurance program at Council home. Social afterwards with wives and friends. Food was served immediately after.
2. Fifth Tuesdays are reserved for Council social which includes wives and escorts with meal served free of charge.
3. Hospitality room at State Convention.
4. Selected Knight of the Year from our council.
5. Council held a Columbus Night spaghetti supper for members, wives and invited guests with guest speaker Sister Eva.
6. Council held an Irish stew dinner celebrating St. Patrick's Day with our guest speaker Joe Loviza, Dean of Hinds Community College. Our master of ceremonies was Brother Joe McNamara. 10 members were honored with plaques and certificates of appreciation for their involvement in the KC programs. We were also honored with another guest for the evening, Miss Kelly Massey, Miss Vicksburg, who sang a number of Irish songs.
7. Council has certified first degree team.
8. Council held 3 first degree initiations.
9. Council held Saturday night covered dish suppers in honor of some of our members.
10. Council hosted 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree ceremonials for 9.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Council hosted the 5th Annual Soccer Camp for boys and girls known as "Kicks for Kids".
2. Council sponsored and provided meeting place for Boy Scout Troop and Cub Scout Pack.
3. Held Boy Scout Troop 7 "Court of Honor" night.
4. Held Cub Scout's Pine Wood Derby night in March.
5. Council provided council hall for Scout's "District Banquet and Awards Night."
6. Sponsored Youth Volley Ball games on Council grounds.
7. Held drug awareness program conducted by Miss Vicksburg, Kelly Massey, and she did an outstanding job.
8. Purchased an ad in St. Aloyious School Program.
9. Easter egg hunt for youths.
10. Allowed soccer team to practice on Council grounds as good neighbors.
11. Christmas party for children complete with Santa Claus.
12. Planning to organize a Columbian Squire Circle.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Held memorial mass for deceased members with coffee and cake after.
2. Pro-life program held in Council home.
3. Council sponsored Labor Day and July 4th picnic complete with fire works in the evening and it was the best in Vicksburg.
4. Council held rosary at wakes for deceased brothers.
5. Council sent platters of food to the families of deceased brothers.
6. Held seafood supper and party for Super Bowl.
7. Donated hall to St. Aloyious School for "after prom dance."
8. Prepared and served hot dogs for "Run Thru History in Vicksburg."

CONCLUSION

Our Council adopted a membership slogan entitled "Each One-Reach One" and it was very effective

as we increased our membership and we have more to be initiated soon.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as Grand Knight of Council 898 for the 4th term. A special thanks to all officers, chairmen, members and their wives who have worked so hard to make it such a successful and rewarding year. It is our sincere hope that our Council will continue to grow and prosper in future years.

Respectfully submitted,

Zenon "Sonny" Sucharski
Grand Knight

BISHOP R. O. GEROW COUNCIL #1034
NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On July 8, 1991, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy District Deputy, Joseph Bonfiglio. A dinner followed and was enjoyed by members and their wives.

The following officers for the 1991-1992 fraternal year were installed:

Grand Knight.....	William M. Geoghegan, Jr.
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Patrick J. Powers
Chancellor.....	Richard Warren
Financial Secretary.....	George F. Souderes, Jr.
Recorder.....	Henry Foggo, III
Warden.....	Darren Cowart
Treasurer.....	Max Voss
Advocate.....	Audley P. Case
Inside Guard.....	Joe Garrity
Outside Guard.....	Mark Bourgeois
Lecturer.....	Pat McDonough
Trustees.....	Patrick R. Biglane Lewis C. Anderson, Jr.
Program Director.....	Patrick J. Powers
Church Director.....	Richard Warren
Community Director.....	Lewis C. Anderson, Jr.
Council Director.....	Darren Cowart
Family Director.....	Mark Bourgeois
Youth Director.....	Joe Garrity
Membership Director.....	Audley P. Case

The 1991-1992 fraternal year was a very busy one for the Bishop R. O. Gerow Council #1034 as evidenced by our Program Director's Report. All mandatory functions were accomplished during the year and all mandatory reports were submitted to the Supreme and State Council. The only area our council lacked in was attainment of a 5% net gain in membership. We did have an increase in membership, but we were hit hard by the death of five brothers. This, along with depressed economic conditions in our area, has taken its toll on our membership.

A brief summary of our activities for the year 1991-1992 is as follows:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Donated \$1,050 to the Bishop R. O. Gerow Priest Education Fund
2. Assist in providing the parish with lectors, commentators, ushers and eucharistic ministers.
3. The Grand Knight and the Chancellor have served on the Parish Council for St. Mary's during the 1991-1992 Fraternal year.
4. Cooked hamburgers for St. Mary's Parish RICA
5. Cooked hamburgers for St. Mary's Parish CCD
6. Brothers participate in parish retreats
7. Put in hundreds of man hours for the Natchez Cathedral Fall Festival
8. Council provided meeting space for St. Mary's History Pageant Practice
9. Provide breakfast for Men's Prayer Breakfast
10. Members in other area parishes
11. Make Council Hall available to parish
12. Brothers count collections after each Mass
13. Provided meal for parish picnic
14. Provided meal for Vacation Bible School picnic
15. Ushers for Midnight Mass
16. Members serve as CCD teachers

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Participated in the annual Tootsie Roll Drive
2. Brothers actively involved in the Mayor's War on Drugs
3. Sponsor delegates to Boys State sponsored by the American Legion
4. Brothers cook at fund raisers for the Pleasant Day Acres School for the mentally retarded
5. Organize and put on the American Flag Triumphant held during the Natchez Spring Pilgrimage
6. Donated spaghetti dinners to local Stewpot
7. Council helped Historic Natchez Foundation with the "Great Mississippi Balloon Race."
8. Provided the local chapter of the Ducks Unlimited with tables and chairs at their annual banquet
9. Assisted Telephone Pioneers with playground at Cathedral School

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Held a Fraternal Benefits Information Night
2. Sponsor two bowling teams for league play
3. Visit sick and shut-in brothers of the council
4. Name a Knight of the Quarter
5. Send out a quarterly newsletter
6. Held two spaghetti benefits
7. Held an "Awards Night" to honor our Life Members and Honorary Life Members with wives in attendance
8. Held a First Degree at our council
9. Participated in a Second and Third Degree initiation in Brandon and Vicksburg
10. Participated in State Softball Tournament
11. Help with Parish Blood Drive
12. Hosted Second and Third Degree Initiation
13. Held retreat for members during Lent

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Held a memorial service for deceased brothers attended by members and families of the deceased brothers.
2. Provide meeting space for the Adams County Right to Life
3. Send resolutions to the families of our deceased brothers.
4. Announce at all meetings the names of members who are sick or whose immediate families are sick.

5. Fourth Degree and Third Degree brothers serve as honorary pallbearers and as ushers for deceased brothers
6. Invited wives to an open meeting with dinner being served
7. Cooked steaks for Boy Scout Troop #158 Family Night - the supper raised \$1,000.00 for the scouts
8. Fund raiser for a deceased member's family
9. Participated in family picnic for District 6

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Have four brothers who assist the CYO
2. Sponsored a local free throw tournament for boys and girls
3. We sponsor Boy Scout Troop #158, with brothers participating as scoutmasters
4. Brothers of the council annually assist in coaching area baseball, football, and basketball teams
5. Sponsored a weekly work night at the Cathedral Football Field
6. Spearheaded a group responsible for the gates at the football field for each home game
7. Sponsored two youth retreats for Natchez Cathedral School
8. Held the annual Christmas party for children and grandchildren of brothers
9. Brothers directed a Youth Basketball program
10. Grand Knight and family were honored guests of annual Blue and Gold Cub Scout Banquet
11. Donated the Parvuli Dei medals for each Cub Scout who earned the award

In closing out my second and final year as Grand Knight, I would like to say that it has been an honor and a pleasure to serve the brothers of Bishop R. O. Gerow Council #1034. I especially would like to thank all of the officers and directors, who, through their hard work and tireless efforts, have helped make my term as Grand Knight a very rewarding experience. We, as a council, are proud of our accomplishments, and look forward to our next fraternal year.

Respectfully submitted,
William M. Geoghegan, Jr.
Grand Knight

COUNCIL 1244 BILOXI GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On July 11, 1992, the officers of the council were duly installed by District Deputy, Larry Tabor, at a meeting for members and their families.

Chaplain.....	Rev. Tony Arguellas
Grand Knight.....	Curtis R. Harrison, Jr.
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Julius Broussard
Chancellor.....	John Cruso, Jr.
Advocate.....	Frank Tarrant
Recorder.....	Jerry Gollott
Warden.....	Jody Nowark
Treasurer.....	Charles T. Harrison
Financial Secretary.....	Harry Steinwinder
Lecturer.....	Dennis "Doc" Ladnier
Inside Guard.....	Gerald Darnell
Outside Guard.....	Ricky Moore
Trustees.....	Mark Blackmon
	Phillip Levine
	Leroy Hebert

Deputy Grand Knight Julius Broussard served as General Program Director with activity directors under him. He supervised and carried out the following activities:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: Billy Davis, Director

1. Many members are very active in their Parishes, serving in various ways such as lectors, commentators, CCD teachers, CYO advisors, Parish Council, Confirmation instructors and general handymen around their Parishes.
2. Members also helped with fund raising projects in their parishes. Many hours were given to help with fund raisers such as bingos, dinners, draw downs and raffles.
3. Marian Hour of Prayer was held at the Council Hall.
4. Had Mass said for deceased members.
5. Made donations to the Priest Education Fund.
6. St. Louis Parish held their draw down at KC Hall.
7. Council Hall was used by Bishop Howze for special meeting.
8. Several of our members help on trips to Saltillo.
9. The Priest's Education is ongoing.
10. Under the good of the order, the Chaplain leads the membership in prayer and meditation.
11. During Christmas, baskets of food were distributed to needy families of the Biloxi Diocese.
12. Turkeys and hams were given to area nuns, priests, and brothers.
13. Many members are active in St. Vincent de Paul, Legion of Mary, etc.
14. Brother Mark Blackmon presented Pro-Life Talk.
15. Supported our Diocesan paper by taking an ad.
16. Supported local Catholic schools with donation of money and loan of council equipment.
17. Supported the Cross of the New Words Program by initiating ceremonies at five churches.
18. Sponsored clergy night social in our area with four local councils attending.
19. Adopted a monthly support program for a local seminarian.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Robert Boney, Director

1. We participated in the Mental Retardation Program.
2. Active in the "Just Say No" drug abuse and awareness program.
3. Held the annual community Shrimp Bowl game. Proceeds were given to the area St. Vincent de Paul and the Biloxi Doll and Toy Fund.
4. Gave the use of the hall to the Boy Scouts for fund raisers.
5. Donated \$50.00 and helped put on the Annual Cursillo Golf Tournament.
6. Donated \$50.00 to the March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon.
7. Donated \$100.00 for the Mercy Cross draw down.
8. The children's Christmas Party was held and all had a good time.
9. Hall was open to members and guests for Mardi Gras. Refreshments were served by the Ladies Auxiliary.
10. We allow a local stamp club the use of our facilities for their monthly meeting.
11. Sponsored a baseball team in the Biloxi Little League.
12. Sponsored a young man to Boys' State.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: Ricky Moore, Director

1. Held various required programs: health program, fraternal benefit night. Participated in the KC State Softball Tournament, Bowling Tournament. Sponsored a first degree team, Knight of the Quarter program, and Knight of the Year.
2. Had approximately 26 meetings when we would serve a meal or snack (PoBoy, etc.) after the meeting.
3. Held numerous tournaments after the regular business meetings, presenting trophies at the Knight of Quarter dinner.
4. Sponsored a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree exemplification in August (each year).

5. Held a womanless beauty pageant followed by a dance.
6. Held a New Year's Eve dance.
7. Sponsor softball teams and a boy scout troop.
8. Made numerous donations to draw downs, state programs, advertisements in programs, and other activities.
9. Sponsored a special father and son 1st Degree Exemplification.
10. Publish monthly newsletter.
11. Held two council draw downs.

FAMILY LIFE ACTIVITIES: Mark Blackmon, Director

1. Sponsored memorial service eulogizing deceased members.
2. Sponsored a Pro-Life Golf Tournament which was a great success.
3. Held the Family of the Month Program and selected the Family of the Year.
4. Held our annual summer family picnic.
5. Sponsored a nominee (winner) for local Mother of the Year.
6. Held annual Family Christmas Party and Halloween Party.

YOUTH DIRECTOR: John Cruso, Jr., Director

1. Support and sponsor Boy Scout Troop 213 for sixty years, donating money, equipment, and facilities for their functions and meetings.
2. Assist in donation to local CYO.
3. Donate funds for Drug Awareness Program at local elementary school.
4. Support the Doll and Toy Fund which provides toys at Christmas time.
5. Sponsor two youths to Boys and Girls State.
6. Sponsor program for Cub, Boy, and Girl Scout Religious Awards.

Respectfully submitted,

Curtis R. Harrison, Jr.
Grand Knight

**PERE LE DUC COUNCIL 1522
BAY ST. LOUIS
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

Pere Le Duc Council Officers:

Chaplain.....	Rev. Brother Albert Guarino, S.C.
Grand Knight.....	Joe Kersanac
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Andrew T. Mitchell
Chancellor.....	Bob Hubbard
Recorder.....	Mel Estrade
Treasurer.....	Francisco Archibeque
Advocate.....	Leslie Blaize
Financial Secretary.....	Earl Bourgeois
Warden.....	Al Kingston, Sr.
Inside Guard.....	David Fabella
Outside Guard.....	Gene Monti
Trustees.....	Donald Cuevas, 1st Year
	Ronald Bourgeois, 2nd Year
	Carl Arnold, 3rd Year

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Monetarily supported 2 seminarians (local boys). Send them each \$35.00 per month for as long as they are studying for the priesthood.
2. Pere Le Duc Knights #1522 donated \$1000.00 to Bishop Joseph Lawson Howze for the Priest Education Fund for the Diocese of Biloxi at the last convention.
3. Provided helpers for the church fair at Our Lady of the Gulf Church and for the Bazaar and weekly fish fries at St. Clair Church.
4. Provided Lector/Commentator for daily morning mass.
5. Provide Extra-Ordinary Minister at morning daily masses.
6. Provided labor for the hanging of a large mirror inside Our Lady of the Gulf.
7. Provided helpers for Our Lady Academy International Food Festival.
8. Cemetery clean-up October 12, 1992, at St. Mary's Cemetery (70 members).
9. Knights serve as members of church choir for Sunday Masses.
10. Knights serve as members Finance Committee.
11. Knights serve as members of Parish Council.
12. Knights serve as members of Pastoral Committee.
13. Knights serve as commentators for Sunday Masses.
14. Knights serve as lectors for Sunday Masses.
15. Knights serve as CCD instructors.
16. Knights serve as ushers for Sunday Masses.
17. Knights studying for priesthood.
18. Brother Knights bring Holy Communion to approximately eight people in the Bay St. Louis Residential Care Center.
19. Held dinner to support Seminarian Education program with Bishop Joseph Lawson Howze attending. \$664.00 raised.
20. Conducted a Quincentennial Cross prayer service at St. Joseph Church in Pearlinton with 4th Degree serving as Honor Guard.
21. Had Mother's Day breakfast at Our Lady of the Gulf.
22. Quincentennial Cross services were held at Our Lady of the Gulf, St. Clair, St. Rose de Lima, St. Ann, and St. John's Parishes.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Brought gifts (clothes) for 54 foster children amounting to \$600.00.
2. Gave food to local family without food and money and out of a job at Christmas (\$850.00).
3. Assisted St. Rose Catholic Church at Bingo every Wednesday night.
4. Brother members are in Rotary Club.
5. Brother members are in the Chamber of Commerce.
6. Brother Knight, Eddie Fayre, is mayor of Bay St. Louis.
7. Brother member is on the City of Bay St. Louis City Council.
8. Brother member is an Alderman for the City of Waveland.
9. Member of Historical Society.
10. Tootsie Roll Drive.
11. Spaghetti dinner to raise money for the mentally retarded.
12. Spaghetti dinner to raise money to support our Christmas baskets for the needy.
13. Helped Our Lady Academy Food Festival by Brother Knights helping in Food Booths.
14. Float in St. Patrick's parade.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Visited our Brother Knights in the Veterans Administration Hospital and local County hospitals.
2. Held Bingo on Thursday and Sunday nights to raise money for the Priest Education Fund.
3. Sponsored delegates to the State Convention.
4. Monthly newsletters to all local Knights of Columbus, State Officers, and Supreme Officers.

5. Installation Banquet and Knight of the Year Award with special guests.
6. Kitchen crew cooks for all the meetings. At least three times a month, after the meetings, we have meals to enjoy the fellowship.
7. Fifteen minutes before every meeting, the Rosary is recited.
8. Perpetual masses said for the families of the deceased Brother Knights.
9. Send get-well cards to each sick Brother.
10. Send birthday card to Brother Knights.
11. Send sympathy cards to families of deceased Brother Knights.
12. Annual memorial mass for deceased Knights of Columbus members.
13. Held Christmas party.
14. On March 22, 1992, had Founder's Day Celebration by attending 8:30 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Gulf. Had breakfast open to the parishioners.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsored Boy Scout Troop No. 217. Provided troop leaders, trips, and training.
2. Member of Knights of Columbus assists with Church Altar Boys.
3. Provided members as coaches for Little League Baseball team.
4. Have a member who instructs and prepares teenagers for Confirmation.
5. Members serve as coaches for Girl's Softball team.
6. Sponsor Girl's Softball team.
7. Support Boy's Little League.

FAMILY LIFE ACTIVITIES:

1. Family Corporate Communion are held each and every month on the 2nd Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Gulf and St. Clare's Church.
2. Had a Pro-Life talk for member Knights and their families.
3. Initiation supper for members and their families.
4. Held a breakfast for members and their families.
5. Included members of deceased Brother Knights' families in the annual memorial Mass.
6. Family of the Year Award.
7. Annual Respect Life Collection drive at KC Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Kersanac
Grand Knight

BISHOP GUNN COUNCIL, No. 1583 GULFPORT GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

As in the past, Bishop Gunn's many accomplishments could not have been performed without the assistance and support of the great team of officers and chairmen of our council. The following men served for the year 1991-1992:

Chaplain.....	Msgr. James McGough
Grand Knight.....	Karl E. Koberger
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Dick Bartlett
Chancellor.....	Melvin J. Ray
Treasurer.....	Charles L. Walker

Recorder.....	Jim Putnam
Financial Secretary.....	Guy S. Todaro, Sr.
Advocate.....	Fritz Oberlies
Warden.....	Bob Roley
Inside Guard.....	Robert Webber
Outside Guard.....	Tim Carter
Trustees.....	Joe "Red" Ladner, 1st Year Henry Lee Rouse, 2nd Year John McWaters, 3rd Year
Church Director.....	Jim Putnam
Community Director.....	Bob Roley
Council Director.....	Mike Craft
Family Director.....	Mel Masuen
Youth Director.....	Dan Steele
Membership Director.....	Fritz Oberlies
Accountant.....	Charles L. Walker
Health Services.....	Dr. Andy Broussard
Pro-Life Chair Couple.....	Charlie & Jean Underwood
Kitchen Manager.....	Cliff D'Angelo
Groundskeeper.....	Joe "Red" Ladner
Bar Manager.....	Henry Lee Rouse

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Held quarterly Corporate Communion at the parishes served by our Council (St. James, St. John and St. Theresa's Parishes).
2. St. Theresa's Parish drawdown held at our facilities.
3. Held a reception for Rev. Roger Caesar who was leaving St. Theresa's.
4. St. James Parish Picnic held on our grounds.
5. Altar Boys Picnic held on our grounds.
6. Members helped at St. James Parish Bazaar and St. John's Bazaar held on our grounds.
7. Knights active as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, CCD instructors, Parish Council members, Choir members, Organist, RCIA sponsors at St. James, St. John, and St. Theresa Parishes.
8. Donated to Priests' Education Fund (\$3,000.00).
9. Set up Parish Mass at Bazaar.
10. Make banners for St. John Church.
11. Constructed and helped Nativity Scene lighting in front of Council Home to "Keep Christ in Christmas."
12. Held a Clergy Appreciation Banquet to honor the priests, nuns, and deacons in our area.
13. Held religious program with Msgr. James McGough as guest speaker on the Bible and Fundamentalism. Conducted a video program.
14. Held St. John Parish Workers' Appreciation Banquet.
15. Conducted the Quincentenary Cross program at St. James and St. John's.
16. Conducted a Marian Hour of Prayer.
17. Sponsored a Vocations Program with Rev. Tommy Conway as guest speaker.
18. Participated in Rosary Rally at the Gulf Coast Coliseum.
19. Donate to St. John, St. James, and St. Theresa's Parishes.
20. "Keep Christ in Christmas" float in the Christmas parades in Gulfport and in Orange Grove.
21. Donate to three parish CYO groups.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Participate in State Tootsie Roll Drive for the Mentally Retarded.

2. Sponsored a Drug Abuse and Alcohol Abuse program.
3. Members serve the community in political offices, City Planning Commission, and Board of Adjustments. Members serve as members of the Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Commission, and volunteer services to the March of Dimes, Heart Association, Multiple Sclerosis, Mississippi Lung Association, Cancer Society, United Way, St. Jude Children's Hospital, Mississippi Firefighters Memorial Burn Center, Retardation Center, and many more.
4. Donate and sponsor fund raiser for the de l'Epee Deaf Center.
5. Donate to March of Dimes and participate in Walk America.
6. Picnic grounds are used by many local organizations and businesses for company/organization picnics and swimming parties.
7. Held two Red Cross Blood Drives and members donated blood throughout the year.
8. Dr. Dapremont Eye Surgery/Disease Patients Support Group Bingo conducted.
9. Sponsored Mardi Gras float in three Mardi Gras Parades viewed by thousands of local citizens using the Quincentennial theme as a salute to our patron, Christopher Columbus.
10. Members contributed hundreds of manhours running booths at the Annual Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo and manning concession booths at Milner Stadium during St. John's home football half-times and local elementary and junior high games.
11. Members rode on our float in the Gulfport St. Patrick's Day Parade.
12. Served as ushers at the Gulf Coast Coliseum at events throughout the year.
13. Sponsored a spaghetti dinner to benefit Terri D. Ladner, bone marrow transplant patient, and raised over \$10,034.65.
14. Sponsored a volleyball league on our grounds.
15. Participated in the St. Jude Bike-A-Thon.
16. Participated in the non-denominational collection drive.
17. Assisted West Harrison County Training Center with a Trauma Course for Paramedics.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Council held a joint 3rd Degree, 4th Degree, and Ladies Auxiliary installation of officers with a banquet following ceremonies.
2. Sponsored a health program.
3. Published a monthly newsletter with calendar of events.
4. Participated in KC State Softball Tournament.
5. Participated in KC State Bowling Tournament.
6. Sponsored a Certified First Degree Team and held quarterly 1st degree exemplifications.
7. Council had meal every 3rd Wednesday and social with a meal on any 5th Wednesday of the month. (Squires and fathers or adult male guests are invited to the 5th Wednesday socials also).
8. Held Spaghetti Dinner fund raiser.
9. Held Salad Luncheon as a fund raiser.
10. Held a pool party for members and wives/guests.
11. Held a pizza party for members and wives/guests.
12. Hold semi-annual workers' parties for every member who participates in any event.
13. Held a Hawaiian Luau at our pool for members, wives/guests.
14. Held quarterly awards banquets.
15. Held an adult costume Harvest Festival Party/Dance.
16. Held a New Year's Eve Party/Dance.
17. Held a Wives/Girlfriends' Appreciation (Valentine) Banquet.
18. Held Council Golf Tournament.
19. Have billiards table available to members and guests in lounge.
20. Presented Knight of the Month and Project of the Month for each month and Knight of Quarter and Project of the Quarter at Quarterly awards banquets.
21. Special Aid given to members in distress.
22. Had guest speaker who talked on history of Christopher Columbus, his voyages, discoveries,

- and history of the Knights of Columbus and Squires.
23. Hosted hospitality room at State Convention serving Cyclones.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsored memorial service for deceased members.
2. Made donations to the Morning Star Pregnancy center.
3. Named Family of the Month, Quarter, and Year. Family of the Month awards were given during Mass at the recipients' parish.
4. Sponsored a Mother's Day Breakfast.
5. Donated to the 1-800 Pregnancy Help Line.
6. Held a K of C family picnic.
7. Participated in the Respect Life Non-Denominational Collection Drive.
8. Held a 4th of July Family Picnic.
9. Held a Thanksgiving Family Dinner.
10. Held a Christmas Family Dinner.
11. Promoted family participation in our Mardi Gras float. Families rode in three parades. This year was a salute to Christopher Columbus.
12. Donut breakfasts were featured for families after each Corporate Communion.
13. Special aid given to deceased members families. Immediate aid to cover funeral expenses (\$500.00 each) and provided food to families of deceased members.
14. Council sponsored periodic family socials with guest speakers on each occasion.
15. Sponsored Health Night with Dr. Andy Broussard who conducted a mini-physical.
16. Grounds available for members and families to hold their own family picnics, enjoy the pool, play tennis, volleyball, horseshoes, softball, etc.
17. Held a special abortion program with speakers and video.
18. Donated fetal statues to St. John High School.
19. Dedication of Softball Field in Memory of Brother Charles O. Joffrion.
20. Dedication of Squires & Memorial to Brother Louis J. LaRosa.
21. Helped fix up an abandoned house for a homeless family and donated services (cleaned, painted, carpeted, plumbing, furniture, food, etc.).

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsor the Louis LaRosa Columbian Squires Circle 3091. Sponsored events for the boys such as weekend retreat, fishing/camping trip, bowling, and many more activities.
2. Gave support to the three CYO groups in the parishes we serve. Conducted fund raisers for the CYO's.
3. Provide facilities for elementary schools field days.
4. Provide facilities for St. John's Football team, Baseball team.
5. Sponsored Christmas party for children.
6. Sponsored Easter Egg Hunt for children.
7. Sponsored St. Theresa Parish CCD picnic.
8. Diocesan CYO picnic held at our facility.
9. St. John Elementary School bazaar held at our facility.
10. Held a children's Halloween Party.
11. Sponsor two girls to Girl's State and two boys to Boy's State.
12. Purchased ads in all sports programs and CYO convention programs.
13. Several members serve as coaches in baseball, T-ball, softball, football, and soccer teams.
14. Sponsored Free Throw Contest and went to Meridian for State Contest.
15. Held Harrison Central High School ROTC Dinner/Dance at Hall.
16. Hosted CYO Softball Tournament.
17. Hosted Squires Softball Tournament between Ocean Springs and our Squires.
18. Conducted Quincentennial Essay Contest.

19. Squires/Parents Appreciation Banquet held.
20. Cook hamburgers for CYO Convention.
21. Donated over \$25,658.00 to the two Catholic elementary schools and one Catholic High School in the parishes we serve. This does not count the countless hours of volunteer time given to the schools also.

I am sure I have overlooked many worthwhile projects we have had. The Council Officers and I agree that this has been a very successful year and member participation has steadily been increasing this year. It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as Bishop Gunn Council's Grand Knight this year. I want to thank all the officers, chairmen, and members of the Council who have worked hard to make this a very successful year. These past two years will be fondly remembered by me for the rest of my life.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karl E. Koberger
Grand Knight

MONSIGNOR P. J. CAREY COUNCIL #1650
PASCAGOULA
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On August 10, 1991, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy District Deputy, Larry Tabor. A dinner followed and was enjoyed by members and their families. The following officers were installed:

Chaplain.....	Anthony "Tony" Wigley
Grand Knight.....	Ted V. Knowles
Deputy Grand Knight.....	**Joe Tucker
Recorder.....	Clarence Owens
Financial Secretary.....	B. R. "Punky" Frederic
Treasurer.....	Mark Frederic
Chancellor.....	Jerry J. LeBlanc
Warden.....	Gerald Kennedy, Jr.
Lecturer.....	John F. Szymonik
Advocate.....	Tommy Ross
Inside Guard.....	Carl Muse
Outside Guard.....	Duane Weber
Trustees.....	John M. Meyer
	E. J. Murray, Sr.
	Guy S. Todaro, Jr.

**Brother Joe Tucker was elected in January to fill the vacancy created when Brother Al Bodden III could no longer fulfill his duties as Deputy Grand Knight due to personal reasons.

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

Program Director.....	Joe Tucker
Church Activities.....	Jerry LeBlanc
Community Activities.....	Clark Warden
Council Activities.....	Anthony Wigley
Family Activities.....	John Zirpola

Membership Director.....Duane Weber
 Youth Activities.....Tommy Ross
 Bingo Director.....Duane R. Weber

MEMBERSHIP: Duane Weber, Director

While it is true that Council 1605 was not able to achieve Top Gun status, it must be said we tried. While we did pick up 7 new members and 1 transfer, our true efforts were focused on keeping the ones we had: "RETENTION."

1. Annual Membership Social was a huge success. All enjoyed a truly fine Steak Dinner.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: Jerry LeBlanc, Director

1. Council members assisted at Mass as Lectors, Ushers, and Extra-Ordinary Ministers in five different parishes.
2. One council member continues to excell in the Diaconate Program.
3. Council members served on Parish Councils.
4. Council supported two Seminarians with a donation of \$35.00 each per month.
5. Council celebrated several Corporate Communions at the five local parishes with an average of eight 4th Degree Honor Guards from Assembly 0561 plus an average of 25 members and their families present.
6. Donation of \$6600.00 to Priest Education Fund.
7. Donate use of the Council Hall to Resurrection Catholic School for its Sunday night Bingos which equates to \$18,200.00 annually.
8. Several members are involved with CCD, RCIA, and CYO programs in our local parishes.
9. Supported the Permanent Diaconate with donation of \$500.00.
10. Donated Council Home to St. Joseph Parish for its Carnival Ball.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Clark Warden, Director

1. Participation in Annual Tootsie Roll Campaign, raising \$6100.00 for the mentally and physically handicapped.
2. Sponsored Blood Drive for American Red Cross.
3. Donated food stuffs to several needy families and our local Daily Bread.
4. Sponsored Drug Awareness Program.
5. Sponsored Health Night where the "Risk Factors" of Coronary Heart Disease were covered by a local Cardiologist and our own Dr. Clark Warden discussed Vascular Surgery.
6. Sponsored Bingo Night for local Mental Retardation Center.
7. Sponsored Boy Scout Troop and furnished Scout Hut.
8. Hosted St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: Anthony Wigley, Director

1. Memorial Mass for deceased members and their widows were honored.
2. Annual 4th of July and Labor Day Picnics were well attended and a good time was had by all.
3. Published monthly newsletter. Copies sent to all members, State Officers, and each council within our great state.
4. Honored our outstanding "BACKBONE" Knights of the Month, Quarter, and Year.
5. We continue to make progress in giving our Council Home a face-lift by repairing and painting the interior.
6. We are proud of our 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree teams which were very active this year.
7. Annual Carnival Ball.
8. Hosted Halloween Dance.
9. Christmas Social and Dance for members and Ladies.
10. Assisted 4th Degree with their Wine and Turkey Bingo.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: John Zirpola, Director

1. Wills and Insurance Social.
2. Christmas Tree Lighting Social.
3. Open Dessert Socials (4).

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Tommy Ross, Director

1. Sponsored a Lock-In at Council Home which was a huge success.
2. Back-to-School Dance.
3. Children's Christmas Party - Santa and all the trimmings.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

1. We, in a joint venture with St. Mary's Council of Gautier, took the lead in hosting the Eighth Annual Blessing of the Fleet. We were able to achieve our goal of KEEPING the BLESSING ALIVE. We hope to profit by our mistakes as we prepare to host the Ninth Annual Blessing.

CLOSING REMARKS:

Over the past two years, we have had our ups and downs. But I can say without qualification that our ups have outweighed our downs especially when you consider the problems that have been created as Bingo has opened up to where just about any organization can and has opened a Bingo Parlor. Our main problem at first was loss of customers which caused a drop in revenue for us. We could have thrown up our hands and given up. But instead our "BACKBONES," the likes of Duane Weber, Mark Frederic, Ernest Ory, Ernest Falgo, Tony Wigley, Ben Trenouth, Joe Tucker, Jerry LeBlanc, Melvin Wells, Paul Goff, Dean Kennedy, Bill Hinkle, and A. G. Bodden, Jr., put their shoulders to the wheel and have persevered till now and have gotten many of our customers back through hard work. Each and every member (not to mention the various local charities) owe a debt of gratitude to these Brother Knights.

I wish to thank my Officers, Chairmen, and Directors for their timely efforts and support. I will be forever grateful for all the support extended by members of our council who have taken time to get involved in our activities.

In closing this report I would be remiss if I did not extend a very special thanks to all the wonderful lady "BACKBONES." They were always ready to help out when asked.

NEVER HAS ONE MAN OWED SO MUCH TO SO MANY!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Ted V. Knowles
Grand Knight

**BISHOP FAHEY COUNCIL #1908
HATTIESBURG
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

The duly elected and appointed officers of the Bishop Fahey Council 1908 were installed in August, 1991, by our worthy District Deputy, Joe Harvey. Installation followed a Knight of Columbus Family Mass at Sacred Heart Church.

OFFICERS:

Chaplain.....Father Dan McCauley
Grand Knight.....Michael Bucciantini

Grand Knight.....	Michael Bucciantini
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Michael Anderson
Chancellor.....	James Brannon
Recorder.....	Rob Eddy
Financial Secretary.....	Dean Flanner
Treasurer.....	John Lang
Lecturer.....	Dennis Kramer
Advocate.....	Bill Snoddy
Warden.....	Johnny Stevens
Inside Guard.....	Steve Breaux
Outside Guard.....	Bill Kerley
Trustees.....	Tommy Rocconi
	John Zambrano
	Louis Sckiets

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:

Program Director.....	Michael Anderson
Church Director.....	Rob Eddy
Community Director.....	James Brannon
Council Director.....	Tommy Rocconi
Family Director.....	Dennis Kramer
Youth Director.....	Dean Flanner
Membership Director.....	Johnny Stevens
Health Chairman.....	Michael Bucciantini
Pro-Life Chairman.....	David Burckel

The following is a partial list of the activities and functions performed by Council 1908 Hattiesburg:

On separate nights, members led a sing-along and organized Bingo for a group of mentally retarded people who were attending a summer camp. We held a swim party for our locally sponsored Cub Scout pack as well as a fish fry thank-you party for those who helped during the state soft-ball tournament which was held in Hattiesburg this past summer. We held a children's Christmas party as well as an annual Christmas party/award night. We have sponsored two blood drives and have also organized a Right-to-Life Golf Tournament. We held a local basketball free-throw contest as well as participated in the state event this past weekend. The council has monthly family socials as well as quarterly family Masses. Members participate in all aspects of church and school activities. We have had seven new members join our council during the year. Besides our donations from the annual Tootsie Roll Drive, members have voted to donate money to the local Right-to-Life organization, the statewide 800 number, to help pay the hospital bill of a physically handicapped child, purchased articles for some handicapped children, gathered and distributed articles of clothing as well as household furnishings and food products for a poor family at Christmas time, plus donated time and money for other worthwhile projects.

It has been an honor to serve as Grand Knight of Council 1908 this past year. Many thanks to the officers, chairmen, members, and my wife and family who have worked and supported me during this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Bucciantini
Grand Knight

**FATHER KORSTENBROEK COUNCIL #2134
GREENVILLE
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

The officers of Council 2134 were installed in August 1991 by our District Deputy Terry Lott. Members and their wives were invited. Following the ceremony a meal was served.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain.....	Rev. Partick Farrell
Grand Knight.....	Ed Futey
Deputy Grand Knight.....	John Condello
Chancellor.....	Jimmy Warren
Recorder.....	Don Meurer
Treasurer.....	Bill Koepp
Advocate.....	Robert Fratesi
Warden.....	Grover Glenn
Inside Guard.....	Phillip Wallace
Outside Guard.....	Cliff Bennett
Financial Secretary.....	Norman Kiehm
Lecturer.....	Paul Artman
Trustees.....	Maynard Chandler George Shamoon Chief Oltremari

Listed is a number of activities performed during the 1991-1992 year.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Conducted Marian Hour of prayer.
2. Held horseshoes tournament for the Priest Education Fund.
3. Assembled and dismantled parish fair booths and also operated two booths.
4. Sponsored a 4th of July cookout for the entire parish.
5. Members serve as ushers and lecturers during the year.
6. Sponsor a weekly Bingo for the Priest Education Fund.
7. Purchased a historical marker to be placed at St. Joseph Catholic Church.
8. Sponsor a student in the seminary.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Have an active 1st degree team.
2. Fifth Wednesday Socials.
3. Monday Night Football parties and meal.
4. Aggrevation tournaments and covered dish supper.
5. Horseshoe tournaments.
6. Conducted a first degree initiation with steak supper.
7. Send Mass cards for deceased members and family.
8. Furnish rides to and from meetings.
9. Sponsor weekly Bingo.
10. Conducted recognition night with meal.
11. Sponsored bowling and softball teams in the state tournament.
12. Participate in Knight of the Year.
13. Participate in the Family of the Year.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Participate in state free throw tournament.
2. Sponsor Boy Scout Troop #71.
3. Held altar boy party with cookout.
4. Hosted a cookout and swimming party for retarded youths.
5. Donate for the purchase of a bicycle for Boy's Club.
6. Hosted Bingo for CYO.
7. Assisted Lourdes School with new playground equipment.
8. Held Easter Egg Hunt for all parish children.
9. Held Christmas party with Santa Claus for children.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Participate in Family of the Month.
2. Maintain swimming pool for members and family.
3. Sponsor Pro-Life Advertisements.
4. Members are actively involved in visiting the sick and shut-ins.
5. Installation of officers with meal for members and wives.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Participate in Tootsie Roll Drive.
2. Participated in Columbus Day program.
3. Sponsor and host Boy Scout award night.
4. Members coach and umpire Little League baseball, soccer, basketball, and softball teams.
5. Council member serves on the city council.

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as Grand Knight this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Futey
Grand Knight

**LAUREL COUNCIL #2180
LAUREL
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

The duly elected officers of the Laurel Council #2180 are as follows:

Chaplain.....	Father Ken Ramon-Landry
Grand Knight.....	David O. Hughes
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Edgar M. Foster, Jr.
Financial Secretary.....	Richard Hollingsworth
Treasurer.....	Ralph W. Gatzman
Recorder.....	George L. Harrison
Chancellor.....	Joseph Flick
Advocate.....	Danny Reid
Warden.....	Andy McDade
Guards.....	Arthur Axton Gerald Bourrell

Trustees.....	John P. Myers Joseph A. Harvey James Yaggi
Program Director.....	Ralph W. Gatzman
Church Director.....	Martin Bergin
Family Director.....	George V. Harrison
Community Director.....	Michael Daly
Council Director.....	Joseph Flick
Youth Director & Squire Counselor.....	Michael Soelman I

The following were the activities conducted by the Laurel Council for the year ending March 31, 1992:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Vocations program for youth of parish.
2. Held quarterly Corporate Communion.
3. Led Rosary at all Masses in October.
4. Served as ushers, altar boys, Eucharistic Ministers, lectors, and choir members at Mass.
5. Served as CCD teachers, parish council and St. Vincent de Paul Society members.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Participated in Tootsie Roll campaign.
2. Held drug awareness program.
3. Held dance on Valentine's Day.
4. Held health fair with blood pressure, CPR, and first-aid training.
5. Helped support and maintain Domestic Abuse Family Shelter.
6. Held fund raiser for St. Vincent de Paul Society.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Held blood pressure screening at parish blood drive.
2. Held fraternal benefits night.
3. Sponsored a First Degree Team.
4. Paint and repair work on parish school.
5. Attend School of Columbianism.
6. Attend Mid-Winter meeting.
7. Hold weekly Bingo for charity.
8. Held bonfire for Squires and council get-togethers.
9. Held Christmas party for parish.
10. Held fishing tournament for area K of Cs and guests.
11. Held Awards Banquet and pig roast for council and guests.
12. Held Super Bowl party for council
13. Held sponge toss at school fall festival.
14. Waxed floors at school and laid new tiles.
15. Held monthly work Saturdays for parish and school.
16. Held membership recruitment weekend at all Masses.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Held memorial Mass for deceased Brothers.
2. Held Pro-Life awareness program for the parish.
3. Selected Family of the Month each month.
4. Selected Knights of the Month each month.
5. Conduct a Quincentennial program for parish and school.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Assist in our Squire Circle activities.
2. Sponsor Free-Throw Contest.
3. Hold youth retreat.
4. Help Squires serve as ushers and lectors at all Masses.
5. Attend bonfires and canoe trips with Squires.
6. Sponsor car wash with Squires as fund raiser.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

David Hughes
Grand Knight

**C. G. SHAPLEY COUNCIL #2945
LELAND
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

On July 17, 1991, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy Deputy, Terry V. Lott. A steak dinner followed and was enjoyed by members and their wives.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain.....	Rev. Sean T. Atkinson
Grand Knight.....	Charles J. Morlino
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Leon J. Shapley
Recorder.....	Albert Bassi
Financial Secretary.....	Richard P. Columbus
Treasurer.....	Mike P. Columbus, Sr.
Chancellor.....	Frank P. Aldridge
Warden.....	Sam J. Morlino
Lecturer.....	Richard F. Asbury, Jr.
Advocate.....	Paul Sabbatini
Inside Guard.....	John M. Santucci
Outside Guard.....	Jerry W. Santucci
Trustees.....	Paul H. Jones, 1 Year Anthony P. Santucci, 2 Year Richard E. Kelley, 3 Year

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

Program Director.....	Richard P. Columbus
Co-Church Activities.....	Frank P. Aldridge Anthony P. Santucci
Community Activities.....	Leon J. Shapley
Council Activities.....	Mike P. Columbus, Sr.
Family Activities.....	Lando Fratesi
Co-Youth Activities.....	Joseph H. McGuiness Jerry W. Santucci
Membership Director.....	Mike P. Columbus, Sr.

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

MEMBERSHIP:

During the past Fraternal Year, we have

1. initiated 1 member,
2. reactivated 1 member,
3. reinstated no members,
4. suspended 2 members,
5. transferred to council no members,
6. transferred from council 1 member,
7. withdrawn in good standing 1 member.

As of April 1, 1992, we have a total of 66 members in our Council (62 active and 4 inactive).

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Donated \$1,100.00 to the Priest Education Fund (proceeds from the Cat-Fish Fry).
2. Donated 5 umbrellas to the Church.
3. Purchased a \$100.00 raffle ticket for the Annual Parish Bazaar.
4. Brother Knights led the congregation in the praying of the Rosary after Mass every Saturday and Sunday during the months of May and October.
5. Had Mass offered for deceased parish members.
6. Provided Liturgy Team which included: lector, commentator, ushers, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, and gift bearers for every 1st Sunday of the month.
7. Provided Church Sunday Bulletin each week.
8. Provided the use of the K. C. Hall for Senior Citizens Mass every 1st Friday of the month.
9. Sponsored a large billboard "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" on Hwy 82 between Greenville and Leland.
10. Sponsored a large billboard "PEACE BE TO YOU" Easter on Hwy 82 between Greenville and Leland.
11. Brother Knights held positions on the Parish Council.
12. Conducted our own Marian Hour of Prayer.
13. Sponsored "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" radio spots on local stations in Greenville.
14. Gave a donation of \$100.00 to a needy family of our parish for Christmas
15. Gave donation to a former priest of our parish on his 50th Anniversary in the priesthood
16. Gave a donation gift to a visiting priest who stayed in our parish while our priest was in Ireland on vacation.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Participated in the state-wide Tootsie Roll Drive to raise funds for the mentally retarded. We raised approximately \$1,300.00.
2. Aired The Columbus Day Message from the Supreme Knight on local radio station WBAQ in Greenville.
3. Volunteered the use of our Council Hall to the community in the event of disaster.
4. Allowed civic organizations to use the Council Hall free of charge.
5. Rented Council Hall to persons having parties for a small fee.
6. Sponsored a 30 second radio spot urging the public to make the right choice and "Don't Start, Just Say No" to drugs on WBAQ radio in Greenville.
7. Made donations to the Chamber of Commerce to help needy families in our community for Christmas.
8. Took poinsettia plants to members of our parish who are in nursing homes.
9. Made a donation to the Washington County Emergency Shelter for victims of child abuse at Christmas time.
10. Made a donation to Johnny May, a son of Harry May of Pearl's St. Jude Council, for his treatment.
11. Gave a K.C. appreciation plaque to a member of the community for helping us put up billboards.

12. Had guest speaker give talk on alcohol and drug related problems of the community and what is being done about them.
13. Gave a Savings Bond of \$50.00 to the 1st baby born in King's Daughters Hospital in Greenville on October 12th in honor of the 499th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' discovery of Americas.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsored nurses to take blood pressure of K.C. members and of all parish members after Masses on a weekend in May and September.
2. Conducted an insurance program featuring Jerry Woods, our Area Agent, followed by a social.
3. Sold hamburgers and Pepsi at the Annual Leland Arts & Crafts Festival.
4. Sold several football pools and raffles.
5. Sponsored delegates to the State K. C. Convention.
6. Held a drawing for a cash prize at each meeting to encourage attendance at meetings.
7. Maintained an active Telephone Committee to enhance participation in Council activities.
8. Hosted other guest speakers and films at some of our regular Council meetings.
9. Purchased a ½ page ad in the State Convention program book.
10. Participated in the State K. C. Bowling Tournament.
11. Held a "Recognition Reception" honoring our Families of the Quarter and Year, and members and their wives who donated their time and skills throughout the year.
12. Maintained a Council representative on the Parish Council.
13. Sent members to the District Meetings and School of Columbianism.
14. Presented a gift to a Council member who got married.
15. Recognized a member on his 50th Anniversary in the K. C.s by presenting him with a 50 Year Pin and Certificate.
16. Purchased a state lottery ticket and also sold tickets.
17. Member of our 1st Degree Team helped neighboring Council put on their 1st Degree Initiation.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. K. C. members are serving as CYO advisors and sponsors.
2. Held honorary dinner for graduating Catholic High School seniors of our parish.
3. Presented Bibles to our graduating seniors (10).
4. Presented the C. G. Shapley Sportsmanship Award to a high school senior.
5. Made a donation to the CYO for a worthwhile project.
6. Held a local basketball free-throw contest.
7. Participated in the state-wide K. C. Free-Throw Tournament.
8. In charge of scheduling and training altar servers.
9. Presented "Altar Servers Award" certificates to two high school seniors who served as altar boys until they graduated from high school.
10. Maintained a personal representative on the District Drug-Free Advisory Committee. (Our Council has a seat because of our work with Drugs).

FAMILY LIFE:

1. Held memorial services for deceased members.
2. Sponsored a Right-to-Life Booth at the Annual Parish Bazaar.
3. Held a social for members and their wives at our Installation of Officers.
4. Held a Columbus Day social for members and their wives.
5. Chose a "Family of the Quarter" (4) and a "Family of the Year."
6. Held a Christmas Party and Social for members and wives.
7. Sponsored a Santa Claus program for the young children of the parish.
8. Sent get-well cards, anniversary cards, and new parents cards to members.

9. On the anniversary of the Supreme Court abortion ruling, we took a Red Rose Vase Arrangement to each of the mothers in King's Daughters Hospital who were having or just had a baby at the time we went.
10. Placed Anniversary Announcements of members on the local radio station.

CONCLUSION:

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as the Grand Knight this past year. I would like to thank all of the Officers, Chairmen, and all of the other Members of the Council who worked hard to make this a very successful year. As you can see from the above report, we were a busy Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles J. Morlino
Grand Knight

MSGR. J. T. McKENNA COUNCIL #2969 CLARKSDALE GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Listed are the officers for the Msgr. J. T. McKenna Council #2969 for the 1991-1992 fiscal year.

Chaplain.....	Rev. Brian Carroll
Grand Knight.....	James T. Rossetti
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Paul Borgononi
Chancellor.....	Bruce Brewer
Recorder.....	Richard Finimore
Treasurer.....	Van Fowler
Financial Secretary.....	Greg McClellan
Advocate.....	Richard Cole
Warden.....	Mike Robinson
Inside Guard.....	Kris Newman
Outside Guard.....	Earl Brand, Jr.
Trustees.....	Pat Davis
	Joe Walton

Listed below by category are the activities of the Monsignor J. T. McKenna Council #2969, Clarksdale, MS, for the period encompassing the past twelve months.

CHURCH PROGRAMS:

Knights have assisted our pastor, serving in all the capacities that laymen can serve in the Mass. The Council gives a monthly subsidy to our parochial school and assists the Parish in its annual fair. We give a monthly donation to the Saltillo Mission. We also have made a donation to assist in acquiring the new church bus and a new car for our priest. We assisted the Parish by coordinating a second blood drive annually. We had the Cross of the World Mass and a vocation program. We gave a religious appreciation breakfast for and donations to all the local orders in the Delta area.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS:

We have donated to numerous local causes such as the Carestation, Habitat for Humanity, etc., and to individual causes on a case-by-case basis. We participated in the Delta Jubilee and the Christmas parade. We held the annual Tootsie Roll Drive and our Council's Anti-Drug program.

COUNCIL PROGRAMS:

We participate in the state softball and bowling tournaments. Additionally, we participate in the local basketball and softball programs. We planned a Prenatal CPR course and two fraternal benefits information nights. We are also in final preparation of certifying a First Degree Team. The Council sponsored a Fourth of July celebration, Superbowl party, Thursday Night Feeds, and New Year's Eve and Valentine dances. We provide a Parish daycare the first Saturday of each month. We provide a quarterly Parish Communion Breakfast, and regularly visit the sick.

FAMILY PROGRAMS:

We sponsored a Memorial Mass for past Knights and a Pro-Life clothes/toys collection drive. We award a Family of the Quarter. KC handed out to our Parish Pro-Life bumper stickers. We funded Pro-Life and Christmas billboards. We donated a fetal statue set to our local public library. We sponsored a Pro-Life advertisement in the local newspaper on the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. We give new mothers a Pro-Life card at the hospital.

YOUTH PROGRAMS:

We have assisted the CYO in organizing its overnight retreat and funded its trip to the National CYO Convention. A Knight instructs a high school Sunday School. We sponsor an annual Easter Egg Hunt. KC sponsors an annual Free-Throw Contest and sends winners to the state contest. We donated for ads in the CYO and local Catholic school's programs. We sponsor members in the CYO who make the trip to the Saltillo Mission. KC sponsors a boys/girls state candidate and provides a Seniors Breakfast Banquet.

In the area of membership and retention, we have initiated fourteen new Knights to the First Degree and have reclaimed a former Knight. This meets our quota for awards for the current year. Our membership chairman was awarded Top Proposer for the month of September with eight new proposals. We feel that the First Degree Team will assist us in initiating potential candidates sooner with less problems arising.

Fraternally,

James T. Rossetti
Grand Knight

COUNCIL #3328
YAZOO CITY
MORITORIUM
No Report Submitted

MSGR. LEECH COUNCIL #4472
PASS CHRISTIAN
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Msgr. Leech Council #4472 began its fraternal year with the installation of officers on July 13, 1991. Our Council officers were installed by District Deputy, Ray Billeaud, Jr. The installation was held at our Council Hall and was followed by a steak dinner with members, wives, and guests present.

The newly elected officers are as follows:

Grand Knight.....E. C. Niolet, Jr.
Deputy Grand Knight.....Al Jones

Financial Secretary.....	Lessie Ladner
Chancellor.....	Revernal Ladner
Recorder.....	Gale Tribble
Treasurer.....	Thomas Anthony
Advocate.....	Terry McKeough
Warden.....	Vincent Vizzini
Guard.....	Peter Vizzini
Trustees.....	Emmett McKeough
	Greg Niolet
	Russell Ringer

The following is a partial list of the activities Msgr. Leech #4472 accomplished during the fraternal year:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Donated \$300.00 to St. Paul's Legion of Mary.
2. Sponsored Corporate Communions.
3. Sponsored Marian Hour of Prayer.
4. Council members serve as ushers and Eucharistic ministers.
5. Sponsored First Communion dinner for children and their families.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Participated in state sponsored Tootsie Roll Drive.
2. Donated Council Home as city heat shelter.
3. Sponsored Drug Awareness Program.
4. Members donate blood during city blood drive.
5. Council donates Home to city volunteer Police and Firemen.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Council sponsors Fraternal Benefits Night.
2. Council established First Degree Team.
3. Council donated \$100.00 to State Officers Installation.
4. Council member serves as State Treasurer.
5. Council member serves as State Chairman for de l'Epee Deaf Center.
6. Hosted Mardi Gras party for retarded children.
7. Performed maintenance services for St. Paul's School.
8. Council sponsored Second and Third Degree.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Council supports Parish Youth Group.
2. Council sponsored local Free-Throw Tournament.
3. Council sponsored local Dixie Youth Baseball Team.
4. Council donated \$100.00 to Youth Group St. Joseph Altar.
5. Council members coach in city soccer league.
6. Council donated \$200.00 for local baseball team to go to Texas.
7. Council sponsored two scholarships to area Catholic schools.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Council sponsored Memorial Service for deceased members.
2. Council sponsored a Pro-Life program for members.
3. Council purchased a wheel chair for disabled members.
4. Council sponsors monthly family dinners.
5. Council assists departed Brothers' families during funeral.

Our Council officers, chairmen, and directors provided the Grand Knight with the necessary reports which were filed within Supreme and State guidelines. We also had three members attend the School of Columbianism held in Jackson.

In closing, I would like to thank our members, chairmen, and directors for their support and their efforts in carrying on the work of the Knights of Columbus in Pass Christian and the State of Mississippi. I would especially like to thank Brothers Tom Anthony, Greg Niolet, Lessie Ladner, and Reverend Ladner for their work done behind the scenes.

It has indeed been a pleasure to serve my Brother Knights during this fraternal year. I sincerely hope and pray the Msgr. Leech Council #4472 will continue to serve Pass Christian and the State of Mississippi in the spread of Columbianism.

Fraternally yours,

E. C. Niolet, Jr.
Grand Knight

COUNCIL #4898
LONG BEACH
No Report Submitted

COUNCIL #5267
GREENWOOD
No Report Submitted

FATHER ROTONDO COUNCIL #5556
CLEVELAND
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On July 24, 1991, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy, Vic Aguzzi, Jr. at a social/dinner for Brother Knights and wives at the Council Home.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain.....	Father Charles Bucciantini
Grand Knight.....	Ben T. Bailey, III
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Ben T. Bailey, Jr.
Financial Secretary.....	William LaForge
Chancellor.....	David Rocconi
Recorder.....	Johnny Capocaccia
Treasurer.....	Monty Barbat
Advocate.....	Danny Barfield
Warden.....	Jody Rocconi
Inside Guard.....	Michael Rocconi
Outside Guard.....	Jerry Borgognoni

Trustees.....Vic Aguzzi, Jr., 1 Year
 Ron Koehler, 2 Year
 Albert Rocconi, Jr., 3 Year

The following members serve as committee chairmen:

Program Director.....Ron Koehler
 Church Activities.....Lawrence Henson
 Community Activities.....David Rocconi
 Council Activities.....Ben T. Bailey, Jr
 Youth Activities.....Gary Gainspoletti
 Family Activities.....Jerry Borgognoni
 Membership Director.....Henry Mosco

A summary of the Program Activities Follows:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Mass for vocations held at Our Lady of Victories Church on the third Wednesday of every month.
2. Cross of New World presented at each Mass at Our Lady of Victories Church.
3. Conduct a quincennial project specifically for the church.
4. Recognized senior altar boys with certificates for their years of service.
5. Two Brother Knights serve as RCIA team leaders.
6. Brother Knights participate in church choir.
7. Sponsored breakfast for altar boys.
8. Ten Brother Knights are actively involved in Cursillo.
9. Brother Knights are solely responsible for ushers at each Mass.
10. Two Brother Knights serve as CCD instructors.
11. Brother Knight is in charge of parish grounds.
12. Brother Knights assembled and removed the outdoor Nativity Scene.
13. Sent cash donation to the Parish Priest.
14. Donated \$500.00 to the Priest's Education Fund.
15. Brother Knights serve on Pastoral Council, one as President.
16. Brother Knights serve as lectors at Mass.
17. Brother Knight conducted CPR course for church members.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Raised \$901.70 for Mentally Retarded Program; received matching funds.
2. Drug Abuse and Awareness Program given by local Sheriff's Department at Council Home.
3. Sponsored softball team that participated in city league.
4. Columbus Day message broadcast on WCLD Radio.
5. Participated in the Parchman Outreach Program for inmates in Unit 29 A & B at Christmas.
6. Brother Knights serve on the Volunteer Fire Department.
7. Brother Knights serve on the Bolivar County Hospital Board of Directors.
8. Sponsored a New Year's Eve Dance for Brother Knights and their friends in the community.
9. Brother Knight serves as President of the Chamber of Commerce.
10. Brother Knights serve on the Planning Commission with the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce.
11. Allowed free use of K of C Home for transplant fundraiser for local resident.
12. Allowed use of K of C Home at discount rates to aid fund-raising groups.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Held blood drive at Council Home.
2. Program conducted by Jerry Woods, our insurance representative. Social with wives afterwards.

3. Participated in MS Knights of Columbus softball tournament.
4. Participated in MS Knights of Columbus bowling tournament.
5. Have a certified 1st Degree Team with only Council 5556 members on the team.
6. Cookout for program directors and wives with planning held afterwards.
7. District meeting in Greenwood. Grand Knight, Program Director, and Membership Director attend.
8. Participated in district Bocci Tournament.
9. Monthly social and supper held for Knights on the 4th Wednesday.
10. Organized and held 3 football pools as a fund raiser.
11. Sent cards to all Brother Knights and their families who are sick or in distress.
12. Encouraged as many Brother Knights and wives as possible to attend State Convention.
13. Provided Hospitality Room at State Convention.
14. Council sponsored district meeting at Council Home with noon meal.
15. Held a Calcutta Bocci Tournament.
16. Sponsored Spaghetti Supper. Served over 1200 people. Approximately 300 manhours required.
17. Published Council newsletter.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Held a memorial service for deceased Knights at Our Lady of Victories Church.
2. Selected Family of the Month.
3. Selected Family of the Year.
4. On the anniversary of the Abortion decision, presented a rose to mothers who gave birth to a child during the year.
5. Held social and dinner for Brother Knights and their families after our insurance night.
6. Sent get-well cards to hospitalized or sick Knights and their families.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsored local free-throw tournament.
2. Brother Knight serves as CYO advisor.
3. Participated in State free-throw tournament.
4. Co-sponsored a breakfast for graduating seniors.
5. Sponsored local boy to Boy's State.
6. Sponsored local girl to Girl's State.
7. Brother Knights coach in Little League Baseball, Soccer, and Football programs.
8. Brother Knight conducted a hunter safety course for youths.
9. Sponsored a senior girl in the Jr. Auxiliary Charity Ball.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as Grand Knight of Council 5556 during this fraternal year. I would like to thank all of the officers, chairmen, members of the Council, and especially our program director, Brother Ron Koehler, who did a wonderful job and helped make this year a great success.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben T. Bailey, III
Grand Knight

COUNCIL #5654
OCEAN SPRINGS
No Report Submitted

SHELBY COUNCIL #6555
SHELBY
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Our council officers were duly elected and installed by District Deputy, Victor Aguzzi, Jr., on July 23, 1991.

Officers installed:

Grand Knight.....	Bruno Fava
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Albert Pongetti
Financial Secretary.....	Joe Radicioni
Chancellor.....	Robert Fava
Treasurer.....	Sam Mangialardi
Advocate.....	Joe Capocaccia
Recorder.....	Tippy Olive
Warden.....	Joe Bramucci
Trustees.....	T. J. Avaltroni David Malatesta Joe Fava
Chaplain.....	Father James Carroll

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Donated \$400.00 to Priest Education Fund.
2. Help make repairs to church property and grounds.
3. Help clean church during Easter and Christmas time.
4. Members serve on Parish Council as Electors and Eucharistic ministers.
5. Donated \$150.00 to the church for the success of the Spaghetti Dinner, a fund raising event for the church.
6. Council sponsored a replica of "The Cross of the New World." The cross commemorates the anniversary of 500 years of Christianity and evangelization by Christopher Columbus in the discovery of the New World.
7. Sponsored a parish fish-fry.
8. Had a Memorial Mass for deceased.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Collected \$1180.00 for mentally retarded during the Tootsie Roll Drive.
2. Held two Bocci tournaments with trophies awarded to first and second place.
3. Donated \$100.00 to the inmates at Parchman to buy stamps and Christmas cards.
4. Sponsored senior girl to Girl's State held in Hattiesburg.
5. Gave Father a Christmas present.
6. Help C.W.A. with church events.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruno Fava
Grand Knight

COUNCIL #6592
BASS FIELD
No Report Submitted

FATHER JOHN P. EGAN COUNCIL #6765
STARKVILLE
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

This is the second year in a recovery period for Council 6765. The Council has been active at the Mid-Winter meeting and has proposed one new member at the recent Tupelo Exemplification Ceremony. Our program has been in place and functioning since the beginning of the year.

Council 6765 changed its name this year to the Father John P. Egan Council in honor of the priest who had been pastor of St. Joseph's in Starkville and was so much loved by many of our members.

Although our program is small due to the size of our membership, we will continue to improve our activities in the spirit of Columbianism.

The officers who served so well during this important year are:

Chaplain.....	Fr. Gerard Hurley
Grand Knight.....	Jim Heitz
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Jack Slay
Chancellor.....	Dick Erickson
Recorder.....	Dick Vasek
Treasurer.....	Wil White
Advocate.....	James DeLouche
Financial Secretary.....	Dick Benton
Warden.....	Jim Sisson
Inside Guard.....	Ed Brennan, Sr.
Outside Guard.....	Jack Simmons
Trustees.....	John Obringer
	Steve Waldham
	Leonce Collins
Lecturer.....	Edmund Emplaineourt
Program Director.....	John Obringer
Church Director.....	Dick Erickson
Community Director.....	Steve Newman
Council Director.....	Wil White
Family Director.....	Ed Brennan, Sr.
Youth Director.....	Steve Waldhalm
Membership Director.....	Leonce Collins
Tootsie Roll Director.....	Edmund Emplaineourt

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Corporate Communion.
2. Held ceremony for the Cross of the New World on Palm Sunday.
3. Knights participated in liturgy for Holy Week.
4. Knights served as lectors, ushers, choir members, and Eucharistic ministers.
5. Knights served on Pastoral Council and Finance Council.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Blood Drive (Fall 1991).
2. State Tootsie Roll Campaign for the mentally retarded.

3. Continued liaison with Habitat for Humanity.
4. Good Friday Blood Drive (1991).

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Held an installation of officers ceremony at Church with social afterwards.
2. Insurance Agent attended meeting and gave presentation.
3. Breakfast with wives after Corporate Communion at Ivy Guest House.
4. Grand Knight and 12 other Knights attended Mid-Winter meeting in Jackson.
5. Took prospective Knight to Tupelo Exemplification.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Annual Christmas Dinner with wives at Ivy Guest House.
2. Annual Super-Bowl Party.
3. Monthly socials for Knights and their Ladies.
4. Knights participated in Creative Christian Living program given at Church.
5. Held raffle for needy parishioner.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Knight cooked Italian Dinner for CYO group.
2. Knight served as Boy Scout leader.
3. Knight serves a coordinator for altar servers.
4. Council helped support an Honor Student Skate Party for one of the local schools.

Fraternally submitted,

James R. Heitz
Grand Knight

OSCAR J. GELPI COUNCIL #6872 PICAYUNE GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

The past year has been challenging for Oscar J. Gelpi Council #6872.

We at Oscar J. Gelpi Council are now sponsoring a Brother Knight to the Seminary. Also, this Council believes in supporting the Priest Education Fund. This year we gave \$2500.00 to this cause with 3000 manhours backing it from our Bingo games.

We continued to support our Church very strongly with maintenance and building of Church grounds, flowers, parking lot, building storage, and, most important of all, a grotto to enshrine the Blessed Mother Mary.

We also served very strongly in Our Lord Jesus' House as the Eucharistic ministers, lectors, commentators, Rosary leaders, ushers, and teachers in the Baptism and RCIA classes. Many manhours were involved. One Brother Knight makes Rosaries for the Church's Religious Store. We also had the Mass for the Quincentenary Cross of the New World. It was beautiful and received many compliments.

We at Oscar J. Gelpi Council enjoyed a five per cent increase in enrollment this year. We regret that, although we recruited more, all were not initiated. We will continue to have such drives for the remainder of the year.

We at Oscar J. Gelpi Council have sent numerous get-well cards to a number of Brothers who were in the hospital, supported a Brother Knight in sorrow over a daughter's death and attended the wake and funeral, had a Blood Drive with great results, and had a Mass every other month at our meeting just for the Brother Knights.

We at Oscar J. Gelpi Council have a strong involvement in our community. We collected a total of \$5000.00 for the Tootsie Roll Campaign, with over 228 manhours, have also collected for St. Vincent de Paul Society a total of \$1200.00, and collected for Life Line a total of \$1200.00 with many man hours involved. We also went to the local schools to participate in an essay competition to commemorate the Quincentennial of Christopher Columbus' Discovery of the New World for which there will be three awards for the top three winners. The awards are \$100.00 U.S. Savings Bond, \$50.00 U.S. Savings Bond, and a \$25.00 U.S. Savings Bond. Also, we donated trees and labor for beautifying our city of Picayune, Mississippi.

We at Oscar J. Gelpi Council have sponsored a Memorial Mass for our deceased Members, kept in contact with all widows of deceased Knights to make sure they are receiving news and information on all activities of the Council, and have selected family and Knight of each and every month. We have a good Pro-Life and Anti-Abortion program which is headed by our Financial Secretary. He is doing a fine job with the program.

We at Oscar J. Gelpi Council believe in a strong commitment to our CYO in which several Brothers and their wives are involved. We have sponsored a Youth Retreat to Saltillo, Mexico, and have donated \$500.00 to Father Paddy to build a house, and helped in an ongoing project at the local convalescent home to assist with the Banana Bingo. The people there enjoy this very much in that they know young people still care for them. We have sponsored the local Free-Throw Championship with a total of 70 participants: 54 boys and 16 girls. One Brother took 10 of these boys and girls to the State Championships in which they all were winners by going to this event. We are sponsors of a local Boy Scout Troop and help in their programs.

We at the Oscar J. Gelpi Council #6872 had a good year.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul J. Schommer
Grand Knight

FATHER A. C. DENIS COUNCIL #7087
KILN
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On July 29, 1991, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy, Ray A. Billeaud, Jr., at a social dinner for Brother Knights and wives at the Council Home.

Given below is a list of the Father A. C. Denis Council #7087 officers for this program year.

Grand Knight.....	A. Elbert Cuevas
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Ray Billeaud, Jr.
Chaplain.....	Father Ivan Weis
Recorder.....	Mike Campanali
Treasurer.....	Jody Knight
Advocate.....	O. J. Shiyou

Financial Secretary.....	Richard Hoda
Warden.....	Howard Ladner
Inside Guard.....	Gerrad Necaise
Outside Guard.....	John Hoda
First Trustee.....	Joseph Cuevas
Second Trustee.....	Charlie Hoda
Third Trustee.....	Wayne Cuevas
Program Director.....	Ray Billeaud, Jr.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Council members serve as Eucharistic ministers, lectors, and ushers in all three Parish churches.
2. Assisted in arranging a Jubilee for our Chaplain, Fr. Ivan Weis.
3. Publish monthly Prayer and Scripture passage in Council Newsletter.
4. Donation to the surrounding churches.
5. Assisted workers for the Sacred Heart Fair.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. We provided ninety-eight food baskets to the needy in three parish communities.
2. Donate the use of the Hall for needy benefits.
3. Worked the HNC Elementary Carnival
4. Held a welcome home party for the Desert Storm Troops.
5. Participated in Right-to-Life march.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Place flowers on grave of Father A. C. Denis.
2. Run weekly Bingo games.
3. Held annual \$10,000 drawing as a fund raiser.
4. Erecting a new Council Home at this time.
5. Visit the sick, send flowers to funerals and hospitals, and bring Communion to shut-ins.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Annual Shrimp Boil for members and guests.
2. Installation of officers at family social.
3. Senior Citizens' Thanksgiving Dinner and Bingo.
4. Provide Pro-Life program for CCD class of St. Matthews and Sacred Heart.
5. Family Christmas Party with Santa and gifts for all children.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsor local free-throw contest and participate in the State Free-Throw competition.
2. Sponsor fifth and sixth grade basketball team at Hancock North Central.
3. Held a bonco for HNC basketball team.

Fraternally submitted,

Elbert Cuevas
Grand Knight

HERNANDO DeSOTO COUNCIL #7120
SOUTHAVEN
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

On August 8, 1991, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy District Deputy, Gene Ingram. A dinner followed and was enjoyed by members and wives.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain.....	Rev. Dermot J. Twomey
Grand Knight.....	Gordon B. Coker
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Frank Deminioni
Chancellor.....	Dwayne Reel
Recorder.....	Joe Skotija
Financial Secretary.....	Lawrence Campbell
Treasurer.....	Hugh D. Garrigan
Advocate.....	Tim Grillo
Warden.....	Paul Sacco
Inside Guard.....	Jack McIngvale
Outside Guard.....	Joe Albersman
Trustee (3 year).....	Jerry Jewett
Trustee (2 year).....	Frank Miller
Trustee (1 year).....	Victor Hageman

On January 16, 1992, Brother Larry Campbell resigned as Financial Secretary due to accepting a position as field agent in the Henry Mosco agency. At that time, Brother Hugh D. Garrigan was appointed Financial Secretary, leaving vacant the position of Treasurer. Brother David Garvin was elected to fill this vacancy.

Program Director.....	Frank Dominioni
Church Director.....	Larry Campbell
Community Director.....	Ken Lubbers
Council Director.....	Victor Hageman
Family Director.....	Roy Szekley
Youth Director.....	Tim Grillo
Membership Director.....	Fred Ward

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Pray Rosary for vocations before each Council meeting.
2. Held prayer service honoring New World Cross. 101 in attendance.
3. Altar boy and Clergy night out. Dinner, entertainment and certificates to altar boys.
4. Corporate Communion for members and families.
5. Handled setting up crib, tree, and decoration of the church for Christmas season.
6. Annual Religious Appreciation dinner for all religious in North Mississippi.
7. Contributed \$500.00 to Priest Education Fund.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Conducted Mississippi Tootsie Roll Campaign.
2. Made formal presentation to recipients of Mental Retardation Drive: DeSoto Industries \$1200.00 and Baddour Center \$1200.
3. Presentation by North MS Retardation Center in regard to sponsoring a group home.
4. Member played the part of Santa Claus at DeSoto Industries Christmas party.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Blood pressure check after 8 & 10:30 Mass March 22.
2. Paternal Benefit night March 2.
3. Held three 1st Degree Exemplifications for the year.
4. Provide ushers, Eucharistic ministers, etc. for the year.
5. Monthly Pancake Breakfast on 3rd Sunday after 8 & 10:30 Mass. Proceeds to Priest Education Fund.
6. September, Monday Pizza party and football night for members.
7. Operated Christmas tree sales lot. 50 per cent profit to church.
8. Five Knights serve on Festival Council.
9. Two Knights serve on Finance Council.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsored Memorial Mass for deceased members.
2. Pro-Life parade, Southaven MS.
3. Donated set of fetal statues to Pro-Life group for use at several high schools.
4. Financial support for local Right-to-Life group leader to attend convention.
5. Reception for KC families after officers' installation.
6. December 29, Holiday Season Party for wives.
7. February 14, Valentine Party and night out for wives.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Five members as program sponsors for CYO.
2. Contributed financially to CYO for annual convention.
3. Conducted local free-throw contest.
4. Knights played vs. CYO in softball game and provided food for Ecumenical youth meeting following game.
5. KC members worked as group leaders for Ecumenical youth groups making home repairs for the needy.
6. Sponsored one CYO youth to Washington DC for Right-to-Life rally.

Fraternally Submitted,

Gordon B. Coker
Grand Knight

COUNCIL #7211
LUMBERTON
No Report Submitted

HOLY SAVIOR COUNCIL #7854
CLINTON
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

In our tenth program year, the following served as Officers and Committee Chairmen.

Officers:

Chaplain.....Reverend Noel Pendergrast
Grand Knight.....Lloyd T. Everhardt
Deputy Grand Knight.....Bert Bergerson

2. Sponsor Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts.
3. Members serve as Scout Masters for Boy and Cub Scouts.
4. Organize and assist in annual Boy Scout spaghetti supper.
5. Assist in annual Boy Scout fund drive.
6. Serve as committee members on Boy Scouts' Troop Committee.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsor quarterly Wives' Night Out.

A special thanks to those who give their time and talent.

We are looking forward to a very active 1992-1993 to help serve the spirit of our Brotherhood.

Respectfully submitted,

Lloyd T. Everhardt
Grand Knight

**FATHER HARRY WADE COUNCIL #7910
GULFPORT ORANGE GROVE
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

The following members were installed by our State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski on October of 1991 following our membership drive at St. Joseph's Parish, Orange Grove:

Chaplain.....	Antone Lynch
Grand Knight.....	Frank Labigang
Deputy Grand Knight.....	John Ward
Chancellor.....	Gary Bascue
Financial Secretary.....	Jim Dunigan
Treasurer.....	William Fernandez
Recorder.....	David North
Advocate.....	Bob Flint
Warden.....	Carl Velte
Trustees.....	Gene Lynde
	Jerry Marshall
	Reggie Anciro
Inside Guard.....	Julius Remel
Outside Guard.....	Norbert Kane

The most memorable event that took place in our Council in the year 1991 was the evening that our Chaplain, Father Antone Lynch, became a Knight. He has been a great asset to this Council and with him at our side things can only get better. And they are improving. We are steadily picking up new members.

Another event we will also cherish was our membership drive last October with our State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski, State Treasurer Greg Niolet, State Advocate Jessie (Bubba) Quinn, State Warden Guy Todaro Jr, District Deputy, State Secretary, and State Advocate who were guest speakers at all Masses on the weekend of October 19th and 20th. They did a very fine job and we will always be grateful to them.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. 24 hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
2. Constructed and donated St. Joseph's Shrine.
3. Maintained grounds.
4. Assisted in cleaning of church each weekend.
5. Helped society in delivery of food baskets for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter.

In closing, I wish to thank all of my Brother Knights for putting their trust and confidence in electing me as their Grand Knight and it has been a great honor to serve in that capacity for the past year. They are a great group of men.

Sincerely,

Frank Labigang
Grand Knight

**BROOKHAVEN COUNCIL #7915
BROOKHAVEN
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

It is with great pleasure I present Brookhaven Council #7915's annual report for the fraternal year 1991-1992.

The Council Officers were installed on July 28, 1991, by our own Worthy State Deputy, Stanley Swentkowski. Following the installation, a buffet supper was enjoyed with members, wives, and guests present.

The following officers were chosen by their Brothers to serve our Council this year:

Chaplain.....	Msgr. Joseph A. Koury
Grand Knight.....	Thomas L. Corkern, Jr.
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Wade H. Ditcharo
Chancellor.....	Bynum L. Meeks
Financial Secretary.....	Aaron J. Achord
Recorder.....	C. Richard Hay
Warden.....	Nick J. Battaglia
Treasurer.....	Paul R. Reuter
Advocate.....	Ray R. Marcantel
Inside Guard.....	Jimmy A. Serio
Outside Guard.....	Richard W. Boyd
Trustees.....	Thomas R. Phillips Albert L. Becker Phillip C. Case

Our Deputy Grand Knight, Wade Ditcharo, served as Program Director. The program chairmen are as follows:

Church Activities.....	Albert L. Becker
Community Activities.....	Henry J. Ledet
Council Activities.....	William J. Woodrose
Family Activities.....	Ray R. Marcantel

Youth Activities.....C. Richard Hay
Membership Activities.....Joseph R. Bonfiglio

All mandatory reports have been sent to the Supreme and/or State and District officers.

The following is a list of activities which Council 7915 participated in during this fraternal year.

MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES:

We have initiated 6 new members to our Council during the fraternal year. The initiations were conducted by our First Degree Team.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Members serve as Eucharistic ministers for Mass.
2. Members serve as lectors and ushers at Mass.
3. Members provide music for church services.
4. Members provide needed manpower to maintain church property.
5. Members function as religious instructors for CCD.
6. Members serve on Parish Council and social committees.
7. Members train altar boys.
8. Members serve at daily Mass and funerals.
9. Members serve as pallbearers for Brother Knights' funerals and those of other parishioners (as needed).
10. Members greet parishioners, guests, and visitors as they enter church for Mass service.
11. Members and their families serve as gift bearers for Mass.
12. Council sponsors quarterly KC Communion service.
13. Members serve as coordinators for Parish Renew Group.
14. Members function as "apostles" during "Last Supper Service".
15. Council donates to Priest's Education Fund.
16. Member is an active participant on Cursillo Team.
17. Council sponsored coffee and donuts for Parish Retreat service.
18. Members serve on Parish Finance Committee.
19. Members serve on Parish Cemetery Committee.
20. Members held prayer service for peace before Desert Storm.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Council members participated in Mississippi State Tootsie Roll Campaign, collecting over \$2000.00.
2. Council sponsored a panel discussion on drug abuse and awareness.
3. Council supplies 5 area libraries with Catholic Digest.
4. Members help support and operate the area thrift shop for the needy.
5. Members function in the role of Scout Master for local Boy Scout Troops.
6. Council sponsored and participated in the parish softball team.
7. Member provides Spanish classes in parish hall for interested members of parish and friends.
8. Bulletin board was designed and placed in the City Library in recognition of Columbus Day.
9. Council participated in community Christmas Parade.
10. Member participated in restoration of building at St. Mary of the Pines.
11. Members participated in blood donations.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Area internal medicine physician gave an update on the disease of AIDS to all at Council health program.
2. Brother Rick Reeht presented a program to Council members on Fraternal benefits (insurance) available through KC.
3. Council 1st Degree Team performed 2 initiations for 6 new members in local Council.

4. Council 7915 held its annual fall picnic on the parish grounds.
5. Council holds a quarterly brunch following its quarterly Corporate Communion services. This brunch was attended by over 100 persons.
6. KC members help provide the needed assistance to keep church grounds and buildings in top condition.
7. Council publishes a quarterly newsletter.
8. Council continually works on Council scrapbook.
9. KC members organized and now teach interested people Spanish in the Parish Center. The money raised is donated to the Priest's Education Fund.
10. Council members worked together on Christmas float for the community Christmas parade.
11. KC members on Council Phone Committee to remind members of upcoming activities.
12. Council purchased ad for State KC Convention Yearbook.
13. Membership participated in State Mid-Winter business meeting.
14. Council sends sympathy cards and flowers to family members of deceased Brother Knights.
15. Council sponsored membership night to promote Knight of Columbus.
16. Council submitted all required reports and audits on time.
17. Council members accompanied candidates to 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications.
18. Parish Bingo sponsored by KC Council.
19. Council sends delegates to State Convention.
20. Council holds dinner in conjunction with installation of officers.
21. Council selected Knight of the Year.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Noon Mass service in memorial for all deceased KC Council members.
2. KC members presented anti-abortion view points to high school CCD class. Students were encouraged to discuss this important topic and share their feelings.
3. Family of the Month selected and a plaque given during church service.
4. Council sponsored quarterly brunch for members and families giving all an opportunity to socialize.
5. Council circulated a petition in support of morality in media. Council is member of the Morality in Media Movement.
6. KC members aid in setting up parish hall for monthly coffee and doughnuts following Sunday Mass.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. KC members serve as sponsors for parish CYO and GYP.
2. KC Free-Throw contest was open to all parish youth of eligible age.
3. KC members took local participants to Meridian for State Free-Throw Contest.
4. KC member functions as Scout Master for local Boy Scout Troop.
5. Area youth had an opportunity to ask questions and listen to panel of experts on Substance Abuse. This function was sponsored by Council 7915.
6. Council 7915 involves the Parish CYO in readings of its quarterly Marian Devotion Hour. This encourages youth attendance.
7. Council purchased ad in State CYO Convention Booklet.

This has been a rewarding year for Council 7915 in all areas, as evidenced by the fact that these are the most points we have recorded in a Fraternal Year. I offer a special thanks to my officers, chairmen, and directors for their diligence, timely efforts, and support. I will be forever grateful for all support rendered by members of our council who made the time and effort to take part in our activities and meetings. I am certain they received their reward by participating.

It has been a pleasure to serve my Brother Knights during this Fraternal Year and I know our Council will continue to grow in members, fraternity, and services in the coming year as we look forward to a bright future.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Corkern, Jr.
Grand Knight

W. H. "BILL" JOLLY COUNCIL #7974
COLUMBUS
No Report Submitted

ST. JUDE CENTENNIAL COUNCIL #8038
PEARL
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

As our tenth program year is drawing to a close, it is my pleasure to report our officers, chairmen, and activities for 1991-1992.

On August 27, 1991, the following officers were duly installed by District Deputy, Roy Patterson:

Chaplain.....	Deacon Frank Agosta
Grand Knight.....	Darrell R. Hipp
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Theodore A. Murray, Jr.
Chancellor.....	Ansel Anderson
Warden.....	James Morales
Financial Secretary.....	Gordon R. Cowle
Treasurer.....	Terry Bergin
Recorder.....	John McGregor
Advocate.....	Freddie A. Roberts
Inside Guard.....	Larry Bielski
Outside Guard.....	James Statham
Trustees.....	Arthur Raymond, 3 Year Joe Loomis, 2 Year L. C. Guillotte, 1 Year

The following members were selected for the various activity chairmen:

Program Chairman.....	Theodore A. Murray, Jr.
Membership Chairman.....	L. C. Gillotte
Church Activity.....	Larry Bielski
Community Activity.....	James Morales
Council Activity.....	Freddie A. Roberts
Family Activity.....	Frank Agosta
Youth Activity.....	Ron Fealko
Vocations.....	John T. McGregor

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Vocation Program presented by Father Bill Cullen.
2. Marian Hour of Prayer.
3. Parish Clean-ups.
4. Ongoing lectors, commentators, Eucharistic ministers.
5. New World Cross.

6. After each business meeting, prayed decade of Rosary
7. Quarterly Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion last Sunday of each quarter.
8. Visit sick by Visitation Committee. Ongoing.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. MS State Tootsie Roll Campaign.
2. Drug Abuse and Awareness Program.
3. Sympathy card to bereaved member of parish & enrollment in Sacred Heart league. Ongoing.
4. Assist elderly lady with year work. Ongoing.
5. Food pantry. Ongoing.
6. Bar-b-que & Bingo for Harry May Family.
7. Collect & assemble Christmas food baskets for the poor.
8. Softball game and Bar-b-que for Brother Knight needing assistance.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Health Program, Blood Drive.
2. Fraternal Benefits Information Night.
3. Sponsor a Certified First Degree Team.
4. Business Meeting, 2nd Tuesday each month.
5. Knights of Columbus State Convention.
6. Bingo every Sunday.
7. Installation of officers.
8. Family Social 4th Sunday of each month.
9. Breakfast & Information Program on KC s for all parish members.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsor Memorial Service for deceased members.
2. Pro-Life Anti-Abortion Program and march around State Capital.
3. Select Family of the Month.
4. Select Family of the Year.
5. Donate a set of fetal statues to a local high school.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Support CYO. Ongoing.
2. Sponsor local Free-Throw contest.
3. Pearl Day at Hudspeth Center.
4. Coach baseball and soccer.

Fraternally yours.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrell R. Hipp
Grand Knight

CHARLES R. BRILL COUNCIL #8054 McCOMB GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

This year, the areas of primary effort by Council 8054 were community, charities, church, and youth. We felt that these areas were most in accordance with the commission of Christ.

In the area of community service, we provided the following:

1. Furniture for a needy family.
2. Utility reconnect assistance.
3. Food donations to MICA.
4. Financial support to handicapped youth functions.
5. Donations to community Thanksgiving dinner.
6. Prepare and deliver Christmas dinner to on-duty police and fire personnel.

In the area of charities, we provided the following:

1. Donation to Whispering Pines.
2. Tootsie Roll Drive.
3. Donated funds to parish Charity Committee for needy family at Thanksgiving.
4. Secured and provided new range for needy parishioner.

In the area of church service, we provided the following:

1. Contributed to Bishop Houck's vocation fund.
2. Awarded \$500 scholarship to Council seminarian.
3. Awarded \$500 to parish youth studying at Springhill for preparation for vocation to religious life.
4. Adopted new seminarian for Henry Ditchard Scholarship.
5. Promoted and helped organize interdenominational community Right-to-Life prayer vigil.

In the area of youth service, we provided the following:

1. Breakfast, awards, and recognition for parish acolytes.
2. Financial support to junior and senior CYOs.
3. Provided financial support for youth lock-in.
4. Provided crisis youth counseling for bereaved youth.

These are but a few of the activities conducted by our Council. We aspire to exceed our performance next year by the grace of God. It is in serving that we are served.

Your Brother in Christ,

R. Penick
Grand Knight

ST. THERESE COUNCIL #8285
JACKSON
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Grand Knight.....	Rick Graspard
Deputy Grand Knight.....	J. J. Befort
Financial Secretary.....	Stan Martin
Chancellor.....	Pete Smith
Advocate.....	Mike Watts
Treasurer.....	Scott Harrell
Recorder.....	Steve Snyder
Warden.....	Elmer Solomon
Guards.....	Mike Kildare, Vet. Desert Storm Mike Harkins

Trustees.....Joe Marsh
Roy Patterson
Herrold Hardin

The following activities were performed during the fraternal year.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Marian Hour of Prayer.
2. Rosary for deceased members before every business meeting.
3. Fund Raiser for seminarians.
4. Members serving as lectors, ushers, and commentators.
5. Members serve as RCIA team members & sponsors.
6. Members serve on Parish Council.

Fraternally submitted,

Rick Gaspard
Grand Knight

**ST. JOSEPH'S COUNCIL #8760
HOLLY SPRINGS
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

Officers who were duly elected or appointed for the 1991-1992 year were properly installed in ceremony by the District Deputy of District One, Larry Campbell.

The following persons were installed as indicated:

Chaplain.....Fr. Tom Lind
Grand Knight.....Eddie Dixon
Deputy Grand Knight.....Hillie L. Shipp
Recorder.....Ralph Howard
Financial Secretary.....Cecil C. Jones
Treasurer.....Albert F. Hammer
Chancellor.....Felix N. Osuji
Warden.....David Muruako
Lecturer.....James T. Rayford
Trustees.....Dr. David Lstratmon, Sr.
Claude Vinson, Sr.
Claude Vinson, Jr.

Anticipating a year of continued growth, the following persons were appointed as Program Directors and Committee Chairmen:

Program Director.....Claude Vinson, Sr.
Membership Director.....Cecil Jones
Church Activities.....Benedict Njoku
Council Activities.....Claude Vinson, Jr.
Family Activities.....James Rayford
Youth Activities.....Joseph Vinson
Community Activities.....Ralph Howard

Pro-Life Chair Couple.....Frank & Doris Houk
Vocation Chairman.....David Muruako
Health Services.....Hillie Shipp
Public Relations.....Eddie Dixon
Recruitment Chairman.....Felix Osuji
Retreat Chairman.....Albert Hammer

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

MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES:

The area of membership has again been a formidable challenge. However, we did meet the supreme levied quota which resulted in the presentation to our Council of the beautiful national flag.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Council members assist at Mass as lectors and ushers.
2. Several members are Extra-ordinary Eucharistic ministers.
3. Three members served as Catechists during past year.
4. One member serves as President of Parish Council.
5. Members devoted over 60 manhours to the restoration of Old St. Joseph's Church's historical landmark.
6. Council donated \$100.00 to Priest Education Fund.
7. Council hosted the Cross of the New World.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Joined "Adopt a Highway" program by committing to clean a two-mile section of Highway 7 South.
2. Participated in annual Tootsie Roll Drive and raised \$1500 for the mentally handicapped.
3. Assisted the Marshall-Benton Food Bank by staging a banquet and having all participants bring food items for the pantry.
4. Hosted banquet and invited members of the religious community.
5. Honored a family in the community for its service to Council #8760.
6. One member assisted CADET Child Care by helping to cook over 1500 lbs. of catfish for its annual fund-raiser.
7. Built shelves in the Food Bank.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Held a special installation buffet for members and guests.
2. Hosted the Council's 2nd annual Red and White Awards/Recognition Banquet.
3. Selected Knight of the Year for Council #8760. Brother Ralph Howard was selected.
4. Staged annual raffle to help raise the funds for Council programs.
5. Honored Brother Knights for outstanding achievements over the past year. A total of six Knights were so honored.
6. Participated in the annual Blood Drive for the parish.
7. Attended School of Columbianism.
8. Sent delegates to the State Convention.
9. Operate twice-monthly Bingo games for community, parish, and Council.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Again held annual Free-Throw Championship for youths in area.
2. Three members of the Council are youth advisors for the CYO.
3. Members of the Council coached CYO volleyball team.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Members prepared the meal for the annual Parish Appreciation Breakfast.
2. Council members cooked the food for the "Rust College Students Welcome Each Breakfast."
3. Council prepared the food for the annual Parish Bar-B-Que.
4. Selected Family of the Year and honored it with a plaque at annual banquet. The Benedict Njoki Family was selected.
5. Provided recreational games at the annual Parish Picnic.

SUMMARY:

Council #8760 continues to grow and be a visible force in the Holly Springs Community. It has been both an honor and pleasure to serve as Grand Knight this past year. I would like to thank the officers and chairmen of #8760 for their diligence and support. Special thanks to our State Deputy, Stanley M. Swentkowski; State Secretary, Thomas Rzettler; Program Director and our District Deputy, Gene Ingram, for their support and interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Eddie Dixon
Grand Knight

**FATHER ROBERT REITMEIER COUNCIL 8848
TUPELO
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

With great pleasure, I am able to report that our Council has continued in the principles set forth by our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

Our Council was founded on December 2, 1984, with 18 members. Since that time we have enjoyed continued growth both in membership as well as in our service to the Church, parish, and community. As of April, our membership has grown to 106.

Our officers and committee chairmen for the 1991-1992 program year are:

OFFICERS:

Grand Knight.....	Robert D. Brinton
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Keith Merritt
Financial Secretary.....	Gene Pavone
Treasurer.....	James Brennan
Recorder.....	Dale Schimmoeller
Chancellor.....	Tom Frantz
Advocate.....	Dennis Stffelbach
Warden.....	Billy Hoing
Inside Guard.....	Bob McDade
Outside Guard.....	Ed Barrett
Trustees.....	Gene Ingram, 1st Year Robert White, 2nd Year Rick Noble, 3rd Year
Chaplain.....	Fr. Meryl Schmit

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:

Program Director.....	Keith Merritt
Church.....	Robert Pearce
Community.....	Dale Schimmoeller
Council.....	David Schanick
Family.....	Dennis Staffelback
Membership.....	Keith Merritt
Youth.....	Wayne Hicks
Legislative Representative.....	Dale Schimmoeller
Public Relations.....	Terry Barber
Pro-Life.....	Dennis Staffelback
Quincentennial.....	Tony Dunn

We began the year with a goal-setting meeting to help direct our efforts toward meeting worthwhile objectives. Some of our objectives established and met were:

1. Increase officers' attendance.
2. Increase membership attendance.
3. Publish a monthly newsletter.
4. Promote social programs through the church bulletin and local newspaper.
5. Conduct regular Officer meetings.
6. Adhere to Council meeting Order of Business.
7. Update the telephone call list quarterly and ensure usage.
8. Order Knights of Columbus name badges upon initiation of new members.
9. Present each new member and advanced degree member with a certificate.
10. Present each social speaker with a gift certificate and a formal thank-you letter.
11. Meet deadlines for all required forms.
12. Organize and have certified alternates for the First Degree Team.
13. Host a 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification in Tupelo.
14. Wear Officer jewels during business meetings.
15. Design and distribute an organizational chart with the officers and appointed positions to help current and new members learn who holds what position and help understand the workings of the Council.
16. Develop a deadline checklist calendar for planning purposes.

Below are some of the goals we accomplished and events we participated in listed by committee.

YOUTH:

1. May, donated money to the CYO convention.
2. June, provide a small gift and reception for each of the graduating seniors of our parish.
3. July, the Council presented the Altar Boy of the Year Award.
4. September, members provided transportation, set-up, and operation of the sound equipment for a dance for our area CYO. Members served as chaperones and over 65 young people participated.
5. November, members provided transportation, set-up, and operation of the sound equipment for a junior high lock-in at St. James. Brothers served as chaperones.
6. Fall, we sponsored and assisted in coaching 2 basketball teams which participate in a Community Church Youth League.
7. Fall, Knights officiate at the volleyball and basketball games.
8. December, we sponsored a coloring contest for the children in grades K through Second, and a Christmas card designing contest for the Third through Eight grades. After the judging,

the cards were taken to a nursing home for distribution. Winning entries received recognition and an award.

9. January, we sponsored the Knights of Columbus Free-Throw Contest.
10. February, we sponsored the Knights of Columbus District Free-Throw Contest.

LEGISLATIVE:

1. Discussed legislation to be discussed at the State Capital during the next session and voiced the Knights of Columbus' positions on appropriate issues affecting the Church.
2. Distributed the names and addresses of the State Representatives and Senators to the Brothers and made them available to the parish.
3. Developed and made available form letters on appropriate issues for the Brothers and parish to use in forming individual responses to proposed legislation.

CHURCH:

1. Knights serve as ushers at all Masses.
2. Knights serve as commentators at Mass.
3. Knights serve as Eucharistic ministers.
4. Knights serve as lectors.
5. Knights serve as CCD teachers.
6. A Knight serves as the Adult Education Teacher.
7. A Knight is responsible for training the Altar Boys.
8. Knights are on the parish Finance Committee.
9. Knights participate in the Wednesday Prayer Group.
10. Knights are coordinators and sponsors in the RCIA program.
11. Knights serve on the Pastoral Council and a Knight serves as President.
12. A Knight is a Deacon.
13. During his tenure, the Religious Education Director was a Knight.
14. October, Knights assisted with the Annual Parish Dinner.
15. November, we assisted with the Newcomers dinner. The Grand Knight gave an overview of the organization.
16. December, a Christmas Care Tree was put up in the church and was decorated with tags showing the items needed by less fortunate families. These names were presented to the Knights by the Welfare Department. Parishioners took the tags, acquired the items, returned them to the tree, and then the Knights and the CYO distributed the gifts to the recipients' homes.
17. December, the Knights sponsored a Blood Drive for the parish.
18. January, a Memorial Mass was held for the Council.
19. January, an afternoon of Recollection for the Parish was presented.
20. February, a Blood Drive was sponsored by the Knights.
21. February, a Vocations Sunday is scheduled for the parish.
22. February, the Council, in conjunction with the Ladies of St. James, sponsored a dinner and dance to increase parish fellowship.
23. Lent, the council will sponsor and serve light dinners for the parish following the Holy Hour Services each Sunday evening during the season.
24. March, Knights helped a family with the burial of their young child.

COUNCIL:

1. July, Family of the Year was presented to Kris and Ed Ivancic.
2. July, ceiling fans were purchased for the Council chambers.
3. July, a Corporate Communion with dinner afterwards was held for the Brothers and their families.
4. July, an Admissions Committee was formed. July, our first Knights of Columbus Recognition Banquet was held for the Knights and their spouses. State Deputy Stan Swentkowski, State Warden Jessie Quinn III, Field Agent Fred Ward, and District Deputy Gene Ingram were present. Awards of recognition were given to various Brothers.

5. July, the installation of new officers was conducted by District Deputy Gene Ingram and Field Agent Fred Ward. An Open House was held in conjunction with this activity.
6. July, attendance at School of Columbianism.
7. August, a First Degree was conducted.
8. September, a First Degree was conducted.
9. The Knight of the quarter for the third quarter was Bob Pearce.
10. December, attendance at the Mid-Winter Meeting.
11. December, ceiling fans were installed in the Council chambers.
12. December, a fellowship dinner was held for the Knights and spouses at Tom Bigbee State Park with the Lane Chapel Quartet providing the entertainment.
13. January, sponsored a Super Bowl gathering at the Hall.
14. Monthly, Knights open the Hall for use by the parish's Couples with Children group.
15. March, a 1st Degree was conducted and a 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification was held.

COMMUNITY:

1. May, Mental Retardation Tootsie Roll Drive. We have committed ourselves to help the community by sponsoring the annual Tootsie Roll Campaign. Proceeds from this campaign are earmarked for the local Mental Health Center.

Once again, we had a very successful campaign in spite of the soft economy and general recession. This year we were able to raise a gross amount of \$11,242 from the Tootsie Roll Drive. We have been raising money from the Tootsie Roll Drive since 1985. Since then, we have been able to raise \$86,310.

Our Council has won awards from the State Knights of Columbus for each of the past 5 years. However, these awards could not have been won without all the volunteer help the Mental Health Centers supply.

86-87 Highest donation per member

87-88 Highest Council donation

88-89 Highest Council donation

89-90 Highest donation per member

90-91 Highest Council donation

We hope to continue sponsoring the Tootsie Roll Drive and look forward to raising even more money for the benefit of those who reap the rewards from our combined efforts.

The totals are:

1985 \$ 5,692.35	1988 \$11,431.64
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1986 \$10,695.02	1989 \$18,628.00
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1987 \$12,945.65	1990 \$15,675.00
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	1991 \$11,242.00
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2. June, a speaker from the Gardner Simmons Home for Girls educated the Council on their activities.
3. June, a recognition dinner for the Mental Retardation Center was held and a check for \$11,241.00 was presented.
4. June, the Council sponsored a Blood Drive for the parish.
4. June, we sponsored a dinner for all of the parish's graduating high school seniors and presented each with a gift.
5. July, the Knights helped equip a Vietnamese family with the basic necessities after they moved into the area with next to nothing.
6. July, our Council is the primary group for distributing free commodities to welfare recipients.
7. September, distributed foods at the Commodity Distribution.
8. October, Ellen Ruffin, the Lee County Literacy Co-ordinator spoke about literacy.
9. November, Knights participated in the Pro-Life Chain in Tupelo.
10. Knights sponsored a Pro-Life seminar for northeast Mississippi. Over 90 letters to area

churches were mailed. Speakers represented the Knights of Columbus, Catholic Charities, Operation Rescue, and Sav-A-Life.

11. December, two local television stations, WTVB and WLOV, ran the Knight's video "Keep Christ in Christmas." Three radio stations (WTUP, WESE, and WAFR) also ran it.
12. January, distributed food at the Community Distribution. There was television coverage of the community effort by the Knights.
13. February, a representative from Habitat for Humanity spoke to the Council and friends about joining their efforts to build a house for a needy family. A Brother Knight is on their board.
14. Keith Merrit is the liaison between the Knights and the Gardner-Simmons Home for Girls.
15. March, Pro-Life letters were written to our local legislators.
16. March, a representative from The Kids Foundation spoke to the Council and friends about this worthy cause which helps children in NE Mississippi who are chronically, critically, or terminally ill. A Brother Knight helped form this organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert D. Brinton
Grand Knight

ST. JAMES THE LESS COUNCIL #8912
CORINTH
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Council 8912 began the fraternal year with the installation of Council officers by our Worthy District Deputy Gene Ingram. Friends, relatives, and spouses of the Knights of Columbus members held installation of officers following a parish breakfast.

Chaplain	Father Joe Young
Grand Knight	Joseph Zoglman
Deputy Grand Knight	Henry Meeks
Chancellor	Don Rococker
Recorder	Henry Meeks
Financial Secretary	Matthew Czarnecki
Treasurer	Oliver DeLong
Advocate	James Leatherwood
Warden	Luis Cordova
Inside Guard	Robert Hauser
Trustees	Tommy Thompson, 3 Year
	Leo Prussia, 2 Year
	Jack Hora, 1 Year

MEMBERSHIP:

Council 8912 started this year with 38 members. Five members were suspended due to non-payment of dues.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Members serve as Eucharistic ministers, commentators, lectors, ushers, choir members, and musicians during liturgical ceremonies.
2. Members serve as CCD teachers and Parish Council Members.
3. Members help with fund raising activities in the parish, assisting the Parish Women's Club.
4. Members assisted in conducting parish Feastday Program.
5. Members assisted in distributing food to the needy.
6. Members assisted in decorating the church for Christmas and Easter celebrations.

7. Members built wooden fence to enclose patio at priest's home.
8. Members co-sponsored parish raffle to obtain funds for parish improvements.
9. Members help to paint kitchen and other areas in parish hall.
10. Members held a soup supper during Lent.
11. Members presented Cross of the New World during devotions.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Members participated in the Corinth Adult Literacy Program .
2. Members serve on education planning/advisory boards and Chamber of Commerce.
3. Members contributed cash and food to the parish and community food pantry.
4. Members conducted the best ever "Mental Retardation Drive."
5. Members participated in Lenten Interdenominational Devotions.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Attend School of Columbianism.
2. Sent get-well cards and visited sick parishioners and Knights.
3. Sent thank-you cards to parishioners assisting Council activities.
4. Held the annual K of C Golf Tournament.
5. Co-sponsored a hospitality room at the 1992 K of C State Convention.
6. Held a raffle for De l'Epee fund raiser.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Co-sonosored the parish picnic.
2. Held a free parish breakfast.
3. Held a St. Patrick Supper and Dance.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. CYO Youth Advisor is a member Knight.
2. Sponsored and conducted the parish Christmas Party for children in parish.
3. CYO members assisted the Knights in Free-Throw contest.
4. Held the local Free-Throw contest.

Council 8912 is a small council and suffers from a rapid turnover due to a large number of transients in the community. We are also located in an area of very few Catholics. Many of the members of our parish come a great distance and from adjacent counties and states.

Council 8912 has been in existence less than ten years and is a very active Council considering the small number of Catholic men available in our area.

This is my first term as Grand Knight and I have been a member of Council 8912 less than two years. The cooperation from the membership has been most gratifying as well has been the help and advice from members of the parish, other church organizations, and especially from our pastor, Father John Young. Father John has been very cooperative and appreciative of the work the Knights have done for the parish and community.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph L. Zoglman
Grand Knight

FATHER PATRICK McALPINE COUNCIL #9094
BILOXI
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

District Deputy Larry Tabor conducted the Installation of Officers Ceremony on July 20, 1991. The following Knights were installed for the current year:

Chaplain.....	Father Gerrard Cleary
Grand Knight.....	James Donnelly
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Gregory Davis
Chancellor.....	Edward Creech
Financial Secretary.....	John Radich
Warden.....	Thomas Bassett
Treasurer.....	John Cucuzza
Recorder.....	Kenneth Gillespie
Advocate.....	Freddie Yost
Inside Guard.....	Lonnie Arnold
Outside Guard.....	F. "Cecil" Krohn
Trustees.....	Teddy Harder, 3 Year Larry Tabor, 2 Year Thomas Timmons, 1 Year

The following Knights chaired standing committees during the year:

Program Directors.....	Greg Davis (1st 6 mos) Emmett "Lee" Landry (2nd 6 mos)
Membership Director.....	Larry Tabor
Church Activities.....	Kenneth Gillespie
Community Activities.....	Lonnie Arnold
Council Activities.....	Elvin Raymond
Youth Activities.....	Teddy Harder
Family Activities.....	Thomas Timmons
Vocations.....	Freddie Yost
Pro-Life.....	John Cucuzza

Father Patrick McAlpine Council 9094 continues to be guided by the principle set by our past Grand Knights: "Increased membership through Council dedication to our Church and our Parish."

Council 9094 is very blessed indeed to have the full support of our chaplain, Father Gerrard Cleary. Father Cleary is very active in our Council and is the "rudder" which keeps our ship on course. We love you, Father Cleary, and we will surely miss you.

The 1991-92 fraternal year has been one of the most active years for Council 9094. This activity is a direct result of the explosive growth in our membership. The Knights of Council 9094 have recruited thirteen men into our Order during the last twelve months. Less than five of our members have yet to receive the 2nd and 3rd Degrees.

Along with this growth, Council 9094 has demonstrated, time and again, the highest degree of Columbianism. Many new projects were undertaken this year by our newest members. These include a "Womanless Wedding" (featuring a certain District Deputy as the "bride") and a very successful and highly professional Arts and Crafts Fair. A great deal of time, preparation, and talent made these and our numerous other events enjoyable and rewarding.

Council 9094 is very involved with the youth of Sacred Heart Parish. Brother Knights serve as CCD teachers, CYO sponsors, and coaches for baseball, softball, football, and basketball. They are also umpires and league officials. Monthly volleyball games are played with the Sacred Heart CYO.

The Knights of Council 9094 can be found maintaining the grounds of Sacred Heart Church or working around Sacred Heart Elementary School. From repairing the kneelers on the church pews to installing handrails for the elderly and handicapped to bringing Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins, our Knights are totally dedicated to Sacred Heart Parish. The annual Sacred Heart Parish Bazaar, the largest on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, was staffed by Knights and their families in all phases of its operation. From the Chairman of the Bazaar to the men working the beer booth, our Knights helped to make last year's bazaar one of the most successful in recent history.

The communities of D'Iberville and St. Martin also benefit from the spirit of Columbianism of Council 9094. Knights deliver food baskets to the needy for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The Council has adopted LeMoyne Boulevard in the Harrison County Beautification Project. Knights have sponsored a Parish Blood Drive. On Fridays during Lent, Council 9094 holds a fish-fry for the parish.

Brothers who were on active military duty during Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm received a special Certificate of Appreciation at our Annual Awards Social Benefit Night. Altar servers with more than five years devotion also received special recognition.

Council 9094 keeps the lines of communication open to all Brother Knights through an active phone committee, Church bulletin notices, and a monthly newsletter.

Enough thanks cannot be given to our Ladies Auxiliary. Our most successful fund raisers have been inspired and directed by our Ladies Auxiliary. If our Chaplain is the rudder of our ship, then our Ladies Auxiliary is the fresh breeze which fills our sails.

Many other activities performed by the Knights of Council 9094 are not mentioned here. Most of these deeds can be found in the Council Program Report for 1991-92. Suffice it to say that the Knights of Council 9094 are second to none in their spirit of giving, caring, and sharing.

In closing, I would like to commend each Knight of Council 9094. I have already said who guides our ship and who fills our sails; however, it is the spirit of our Knights which keeps our ship afloat. Their strength is the mast and their vision is the helm. Finally, it is their dedication which will bring our ship's cargo of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity to our families, our parish, and our community.

Respectfully submitted,

James Donnelly
Grand Knight

ST. MARY COUNCIL #9124
GAUTIER
No Report Submitted

COUNCIL #9234
INDIANOLA
No Report Submitted

RINEHART SCHROEDER COUNCIL #9409
WEST BILOXI
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Council 9409 began its Fraternal Year with the election of officers and the Installation by State Advocate Jesse Quinn.

Chaplain.....	Msgr. Francis Farrell
Grand Knight.....	Fred Spencer
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Daniel Cervantez
Financial Secretary.....	Dannny Lechner
Warden.....	John Durham
Treasurer.....	Joseph Tiblier
Recorder.....	Bradley Collins
Advocate.....	Windell D. Norris
Inside Guard.....	Michael Kelly
Outside Guard.....	William F. Entriken
Trustees.....	George Pitts, 3 Year
	Stephen Farry, 2 Year
	John Cunningham, 1 Year
Membership.....	George Pitts

During this fraternal year, we initiated four new members, a number which is above the goal for our Council. All but 2 of these have been exemplified to the 2nd and 3rd Degree.

PROGRAM: Daniel Cervantez, Director

1. Gave guidance to all directors for preparing the monthly newsletter.
2. Assisted on all programs such as golf tournament, bowling tournament, kids' free-throw, and other activities.
3. Wrote and kept up all required reports and made sure they were submitted on time.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: Tony H. Bittner, Director

1. Members served as ushers, lectors, CCD and RCIA instructors, Eucharistic ministers, members of the Parish Council and Home-School Association.
2. Held a Marian Hour of Prayer.
3. Provided many hours of support for the Parish Bazaar, bingo, raffles, Po-Boy preparation, and sales and school fund raisers.
4. Assisted the St. Vincent de Paul Society in preparation and delivery of food baskets to the needy.
5. Provided countless hours to maintenance work for the parish facilities.
6. Members served on Diocesan Board for the Cursillo and Arise Programs.
7. Members bring weekly Communion to the sick and other shut-ins.
8. Held Corporate Communions.
9. Members serve as Pre-marriage Program group leaders.
10. Helped the Holy Name Society with the sale of Christmas trees.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Forest Taylor, Director

1. Council members served as Officers in the Biloxi Area Fourth Degree Assembly.
2. Now preparing for the Tootsie Roll Drive.
3. Conducted the parish blood drive.
4. Conducted a clothing drive for the needy.
5. Assisted the St. Vincent de Paul Society in connection with the annual fund raising dinner.
6. Members prepared and sold Po-Boys for the purpose of raising funds to assist the Church, Community, and Council.
7. A member served on local Exchange Board and another on the local Red Cross Board.
8. Assisted local Red Cross Chapter in their funding.
9. Provided manpower to assist the local Elks Lodge in delivering food to the needy.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: Stephen F. Farry, Director

1. Participated in the Knight of the Quarter program.
2. Held annual golf tournament to raise funds to help support Council activities.
3. Council held Installation banquet.
4. Held Fraternal Benefits night.
5. Conducted Po-Boy sale to raise funds to support charity and to go toward Council building fund.
6. Held Drug Awareness program for the parish youth and parents.
7. Submitted all reports and audits on schedule.
8. Held a basketball free-throw for youths.
9. Participated in a bowling tournament.
10. Met membership drive goal.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Bob R. Weldon, Director

1. Held Memorial Mass for deceased members.
2. Held annual picnic for members and families.
3. Conducted written awareness program for Pro-Life.
4. Had State Representative Antoine Otto speak to members and families about Pro-Life.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Jim Rigby, Director

1. Members served parish as Directors in the Altar Boy and Cross Bearers program.
2. Sponsored a picnic and canoe trip for parish youth.
3. Members served for local youth baseball and football programs.
4. Purchased an ad in Parish School Program and Annual and in the Church Missal.
5. Had basketball free-throw for the children.

MEMBERSHIP: George Pitts, Director

1. Organizes membership drives at functions such as the annual Bazaar, Sunday Masses, and others.
2. Follows through on all applications until the applicant becomes a member of the First Degree.
3. Attends all Exemplifications until our members are in the 2nd and 3rd Degree.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Spencer
Grand Knight

COUNCIL #9537
WEST POINT
MORATORIUM

COUNCIL #9543
MADISON
No Report Submitted

JAMES D. HART COUNCIL #9673
WOOLMARKET
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

James D. Hart Council 9673 has accomplished the following activities in the past year.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Made donation to Priest Education Fund.
2. Held Marian Hour at St. Mary's Woolmarket, MS.
3. Painted doors on Hart Hall.
4. Built trash bin fence behind Murray Hall.
5. Remove trash bi-weekly and put out for collection.
6. Installed lights to St. Mary's church sign.
7. Repainted outside of Church.
8. Painted inside doors of church.
9. Removed pews and cleaned floors.
10. Trimmed hedges around church.
11. Dug up and removed unwanted hedges.
12. Ran new electrical service to well house.
13. Located and picked up 14 large surplus metal cabinets.
14. Sanded and painted all cabinets.
15. Assembled all cabinets.
16. Built, painted, and erected 2 steel goal-posts.
17. Enlarged trash fenced area behind Murray Hall.
18. Repaired classroom tables.
19. Put fire ant poison on church grounds.
20. Maintenance and painting of church parking lot.
21. Repairs and painting on Cursillo Center.
22. Members serve as CCD teachers.
23. One member co-ordinates RCIA program.
24. Members serving on Parish Council.
25. Members serving as ushers, commentators, and Eucharistic ministers.
26. Members served on Cursillo team.
27. Council supplied workers for annual Benefit Steak Dinner.
28. Members serve on Planca Team.
29. Council supplied workers for annual Benefit Gumbo Dinner.
30. Member does all church computer work.
31. Spreading dirt at church.
32. Repair kneelers in church.
33. Trim bushes around church and clean flower beds.
34. Built shelves in rectory.
35. Repaired lights in church.
36. Repaired wiring for Nativity crib.
37. Did layout and study on hall to purchase materials needed for wallpaper.
38. Hung pictures and
39. repaired lights in classrooms.
40. Two members helped collect food for St. Vincent de Paul.

41. Repaired lights in church.
42. Cleaned church and hall.
43. Repaired and rearranged pews in church.
44. Break down chairs and tables and stack them.
45. Rearrange classrooms.
46. Erect manger.
47. Three members helped St. Vincent de Paul.
48. Painting Murray Hall: 14 members, 47 hours.
49. Remove and replace baseboards in hall.
50. Wallpaper Murray Hall.
51. Make up and deliver Christmas food baskets to needy.
52. Run new electrical wire to water well.
53. Install chair rail molding in hall.
54. 7 members worked kitchen for Cursillo.
55. 5 members worked kitchen for Cursillo.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Members worked South Mississippi Bass Tournament.
2. Aided in annual Woolmarket Ecumenical Services.
3. Held clothes and food drive for needy.
4. Donated food for Thanksgiving baskets for needy.
5. Help sponsor St. Vincent de Paul.
6. Support Woolmarket Volunteer Fire Department.
7. Donated money to St. Vincent de Paul for needy family.
8. Held social to honor St. Vincent de Paul.
9. MS State Tootsie Roll Drive.
10. Drug Abuse and Awareness program.
11. Family breakfast for funds for CYO.
12. Held Community Service Award Social.
13. Held home protection program put on by Harrison County Sheriff's Department.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Council socials every other month.
2. Council has certified First Degree Team.
3. Honored Knight of the Month.
4. Honored Knight of the Quarter.
5. Honored Knight of the Year.
6. Honor Knights' birthdays at meetings and in newsletters.
7. Have attendance drawing at meetings.
8. Bring member to 2nd and 3rd Degree.
9. Held First Degree for Council.
10. Held meeting meal for prospective members.
11. Installation of Officers.
12. Held First Degree for Councils 7910 and 7087.
13. Held member dinner after First Degree.
15. Blood Pressure testing of all family members at social.
16. Michael Leleux conducted proceedings for Fraternal Benefit Information Night.
17. Sponsored Council drawing.
18. Held social and presented check to Mental Retardation Center.
19. Sponsored food booth for Mardi Gras parade.
20. Acquired and remodeled Hart Hall for Council use.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Held Memorial service for deceased members.
2. Held three Quincentenary Cross services.
3. Held Pro-Life social with Anti-Abortion Program.
4. Selected Family of the Month and submitted to Supreme Council.
5. Held annual Crawfish Boil for families.
6. Family social covered dish for Pro-Life talk.
7. Gulf Coast Collection drive for battered women.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Support CYO at St. Mary's.
2. Sponsored Youth Retreat.
3. Member works with Boy Scouts.
4. Council sponsored CYO swim party.
5. Council sponsored picnic and swim party.
6. Council sponsored youth dance.
7. Donated Rosary to First Communion celebrants.
8. Held breakfast for CYO equipment.
9. Held 33 weeks of instruction for bowling.
10. Member coached youth baseball team.
11. Member coached youth football team.
12. Two members worked boys retreat.
13. Held free-throw contest.
14. Accompanied youth to free-throw tournament.
15. Helped CYO with fish-fry dinner.
16. Members aid in CCD program as teachers.
17. Members accompanied CCD to Shakespeare Festival in Alabama.
18. Four members sponsor altar servers.
19. Member held Confirmation retreat.
20. Member gave talk on: Ideas and I am man, single.

There are many more worthy projects that we intend to complete for the remainder of this year. Our Council consists of good, hard-working, tireless, and devoted Brothers with whom I personally am very proud to be associated.

Our sincerest thanks to our DD #9 Jack Cunningham for his tireless help and support. He was there whenever we called on him and for this, Council James D. Hart is very grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne F. Broussard
Grand Knight

**ST. ANN'S-LIZANA COUNCIL #9958
GULFPORT
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT**

I am pleased to report on the annual activities of St. Ann Lizana Council 9958.

Our council is directed by the following officers:

Chaplain.....	Rev. Fintan Kilmurray
Grand Knight.....	Hollis Moran
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Wallace Clifford
Chancellor.....	Anthony Moran
Recording Secretary.....	Marlin Moran
Treasurer.....	Eldridge Ladner
Advocate.....	William Peleaz
Warden.....	Thomas Moran
Inside Guard.....	John Moran
Outside Guard.....	Charles Windom
Trustees.....	Stacy Ladner Marty Ladner Francis Moran
Financial Secretary.....	Kenneth O'Neal

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

Our Council members serve fifteen of the sixteen Masses at St. Ann each month as lectors or Eucharistic ministers. Others serve as ushers. In May, our Brothers were there to assist where needed with St. Ann's annual bazaar which runs for four days. In July, we turned out for work again at our Church's \$10,000 draw-down. We assisted with the set-up, all food preparations, the serving of refreshments, and with the draw-down itself. This project took two days of preparation. Our Council provides floral arrangements for the altar throughout the year. Thanks to the services of Brother Michael Moran, we have provided special display decorations for all holidays in the Church. We have subsidized the parish utility expense, a total of \$2,868.60, and a donation of \$1,703 from our Rodeo proceeds for a total of \$4,571 to the Church. We purchased supplies for Rosaries to be made by our Ladies Rosary Makers of St. Ann Parish. These are designated for the Saltillo Mission for its use.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

We purchased a Life-Pack and donated it to our local Volunteer Fire Department. On the first Sunday of October, we asked everyone in the parish to bring two canned goods with them each time they came to Mass until Christmas to make food baskets for the needy. The Council would buy turkeys to complete the baskets at Thanksgiving and at Christmas. The Quincentennial Year of Discovery was celebrated by our Council on October 12, 1991, the birthday of Christopher Columbus. The Council prepared and served seafood and/or chicken gumbo with all the trimmings to the members of our parish at no cost to them. During the meal, films about the Knights and about Christopher Columbus were shown. It was our pleasure on October 20, 1991, to assist the Ladies Auxiliary by providing Bingo gifts and our services to help with a very successful annual Senior Citizen Free Soup, Sandwich, and Bingo Luncheon for members of our parish and community. Each week we designate a special Bingo game in our program for the de l'Epee Deaf Center. A total of \$696.68 has been donated. We also raised \$640.00 for the Mental Retardation Drive. On Sunday, November 24, 1991, members of our Council prepared 16 food baskets with turkeys and delivered them to the needy from a list provided by our Pastor. On December 21, 1991, members of our council again prepared and delivered 16 food baskets with turkeys to the needy of our parish.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

We have once again exceeded our goal for new members. We have admitted 10 new members to our Council and dropped 2 members for non-payment of dues with a net gain of 8 members. Our goal was set for 5.

Meeting attendance has increased over 100 percent. We are averaging 18 to 23 members per meeting. This is out of a total membership of 52.

We have applied for, and are waiting to get, our tax exempt status for our Lizana Home Board Corporation so that our plans can move forward on the purchase of a building from the Diocese of Biloxi for a permanent home for our Council. It will be moved to our property which adjoins St. Ann's on Highway 53 in Lizana.

Our council has two basic fund raisers each year. They are our Rodeo and our Bingo. The third annual rodeo was held on April 19 and 20, 1991. Even though it rained out our crowd on Friday, it was a success. This two day event required the services of our whole Council. Each member showed up to help. This is the only Council function where we had 100 percent participation. This rodeo provides a family type entertainment for our community at a very reasonable cost. On a good weekend we entertain up to 4000 people.

Bingo in our Council is held each Tuesday night. We have from 60 to 100 people playing. We are averaging 13 members per night working on the Bingo game. Our average month runs \$1200 clear.

We work hard, but the effort is worth it to our Council and to our projects.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

On August 24, 1991, we initiated and sponsored a drive to help five school age children orphaned when their widowed mother was killed in an automobile accident. Clothing and school supplies were our prime objectives. It was a success.

Each month before our regular meeting after the 9:00 A.M. Mass, we serve sausage & biscuits with juice, milk, and coffee to our members, wives, and children. This in itself has increased our meeting attendance.

We provide a Quarterly Dinner for our members and their guests. It is an opportunity for the husband and wife to go out without the children, sit down, and have a full course dinner served to them by our CYO members, who graciously handle all serving and cleaning. For this we guarantee them a minimum of \$50.00 in tips. The food is purchased by the Council and prepared by volunteer member families. There is no cost to our members or guests. A hospitality hour is always held one hour prior to the dinner.

On May 12, 1991, a silk rose was presented to each lady of the parish for Mother's Day. This was done at all Masses at both St. Ann and Our Lady of Chartres which is our mission church. On June 16, 1991, coffee, milk, and donuts were served at all the Masses to honor the Fathers on their day.

Thanks to our Ladies Auxiliary, we are again beginning to enjoy the covered dish dinners. They will be providing these four times a year.

On December 15, 1991, we assisted Father Fintan in preparing and serving his annual Parish Christmas Dinner for the families of the parish.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

We continue to designate special Bingo games in our weekly program to support the CCD program in our parish. \$739.97 has been donated to the CCD program this year. Members also serve as teachers for the CCD.

We provide chaperones, when asked, for CYO functions. A \$500.00 donation was made to the CYO to help with expenses on their trip to the Saltillo Mission.

On December 8, 1991, the Knights and the Ladies Auxiliary jointly sponsored a Christmas Party with Santa and refreshments for the children of our community. Each received a small gift from Santa. Children for ages 1 to 12 years of age were invited.

Our Council also gave a sponsorship donation to the Lizana Youth league for softball.

We have donated \$1,334.89 to local charities and to one-time emergency aid.

As you can see, we have been active. We have been busy. We are working for something and are enjoying it.

The Knights of St. Ann-Lizana Council #9958 are ever present when help is needed, as is evident by all the red council shirts and caps you see in the crowds at St. Ann Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Hollis J. Moran
Grand Knight

ST. PAUL COUNCIL #10216
BRANDON
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

It has been an honor to have served as your Grand Knight of St. Paul Council 10216. With the support given to me this past year we have met our goals and have exceeded them in many areas. This is my report of the efforts of my Brother Knights. The following officers were installed in July, 1991, by District Deputy Roy Patterson in a districtwide installation.

Chaplain	Rev. Edward Balser
Grand Knight.....	John C. Lewis, III
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Raymond C. Butz
Chancellor.....	Steven P. Jones
Warden.....	Frank A. Whitehead
Recorder.....	Lloyd G. Long
Treasurer.....	Edward W. Garcia
Advocate.....	Carl J. Moore
Inside Guard.....	Joseph Simon, Jr.
Outside Guard.....	Jose' I. Marrero
Trustees.....	Dennis D. Hull
	John Fennell
	Carl Johnson
Lecturer.....	Louis F. Zylka
Financial Secretary.....	Marvin E. Ackerman

St. Paul Council 10216 meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the activity center, unless specified otherwise. The 4th Wednesday is our family social for Knights and their ladies.

St. Paul Council 10216 activities as follows:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: Jose' I. Marrero, Chairman

1. Way of the Cross during the Lenten season.
2. Marian Hour of Prayer.
3. Rosary group 1st Tuesday of each month.
4. Quincentennial project-Cross of the New World.
5. Rosary said at K of C meeting.
6. Pastoral Council 80 percent Knight participation.
7. Eucharistic minister, lecturers, commentators.
8. Acolyte scheduling.
9. Cleaning church: windows, doors, entry way.
10. Maintenance.
11. Sponsor fall festival for parish and children.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Ronald P. Higgins, Chairman

1. Sponsor Tootsie Roll Drive.
2. Drug abuse program: Steve Monochello, DEA special agent.
3. Essay contest for quincennial.
4. Thanksgiving food donations for the needy.
5. Blood drives April and October.
6. Sponsor highway adoption clean-up program.
7. REACH volunteers.
8. S.M.E. Andrew Jackson Council scout troop.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: John C. Lewis, III, Chairman

1. Health Program: Carol Evans of REACH.
2. Held fraternal benefits information night.
3. MS K of C bowling tournament participant.
4. Membership drive for quincennial project.
5. Co-host 1991 State Convention.
6. Hosted two 1st Degree Exemplifications.
7. Hosted 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplification.
8. Family socials at different local restaurants.
9. Outplacement service for unemployed Knights.
10. Hosted districtwide Installation of Officers.
11. Helping with the start-up of the Ladies Auxiliary.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Richard A. Reeht, Chairman

1. Memorial for deceased Knights.
2. Family of the Month, July through June 1992.
3. Family of the Year.
4. Donating fetal statue set to St. Joseph High School.
5. Essay contest for quincennial by parish students.
6. Sponsored Christmas party and New Year's Eve party.
7. Sponsored children's Christmas pizza party.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Stephen A. Jones, Chairman

1. Support CYO.
2. Participate in state and local free-throw contest.
3. Essay contest for quincennial area wide.
4. Develop learning center playground.
5. Support scouts' pinewood derby.
6. Kite making & race-children: Father Balser, chairing.

MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES: Louis F. Zylka, Chairman

1. Making personal contact with perspective members.
2. Had top proposer for the state.

This year has been a highlight in my life as a Knight of Columbus. The support by my Brother Knights made our year very successful. God bless all of you and your families.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Lewis, III
Grand Knight

FATHER CLIFFORD MEADOR COUNCIL #10443
GRENADA
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Council 10443 made great strides in 1991-92. Our first Tootsie Roll Drive was a great success. Our total donation to our local charity was \$1928.41. This was good enough for 4th in the state, or \$71.42 per member. Not bad for our 1st year. We are planning on 1992 being much better.

During 1991-92, Council 10443 participated heavily in the 50th anniversary of our parish. This celebration was held in June of 1991. With the help of Council 10443, this project was a real success.

During the year, we held many events that we are very proud of and, during 1992-93, we are hoping to be even better.

During 1991-92, Council 10443 signed 3 new members with the last two being initiated on April 1, 1992, in Greenwood.

My two years as Grand Knight are quickly coming to a close. These 2 years have been very enjoyable and in the future, I hope to help the Mississippi State Council in any way I can.

Fraternally yours,
Eddie Merriman
Grand Knight

MSGR. GREGORY KENNEDY COUNCIL #10499
OCEAN SPRINGS
GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

It seems that the dream is very much alive at our Council. We have seen our Council grow from 30 members in November 1990 to 65 members in March 1992. We have seen strangers become friends and family. We have seen the parish become closer. I am proud that our Council had a part in this and has donated more than 7,500 hours of service this year. We have many activities to talk about, but we will try to be short.

Below are some of the activities that we have completed during the last year:

1. Conducted a monthly fund raiser.
2. Held a monthly parish dinner.
3. Worked with CYO and several youth projects.
4. Held dinner for all who visited Saltillo.
5. Held several family nights with special programs.
6. Fraternal benefits night.
7. End of summer family cook-out and pool party.
8. Monthly newsletter.
9. Phone committee.
10. Held Corporate Communion.
11. Attended two 3rd Degrees.
12. Hosted District meeting.
13. Held membership drive.
14. Knight of the Month program.

15. Family of the Month program.
16. Pro-Life program.
17. Flowers/visit to sick members.
18. Work with auxiliary to raise funds.
19. Collect food and clothes for needy.
20. Thanksgiving baskets.
21. Attend Pro-Life rally.
22. Conduct Rosary services.
23. Clean church, clean and wax parish hall.
24. Choir members, Parish Council members, CCD teachers, Eucharistic ministers, ushers.
25. Drug Abuse program.
26. Donate to crisis shelter.
27. Donate time and food to Lord is My Shepherd soup kitchen.
28. Work with volunteer fire fighters, hospital, Coast Guard on safety, Diocesan School Board, Boy Scouts, Brownie Scouts, Little League.
29. Donation for kidney transplant.
30. Fish-fry for all CCD teachers.
31. Mardi Gras Float (2-1st place trophies).
32. Conduct free-throw and attend state free-throw.
33. Donate fetal statues to school.
34. Family of the Year award.
35. Knight of the Year award.
36. Keep CHRIST in CHRISTmas program.
37. Work with school on CHRISTmas program.
38. CHRISTmas party.
39. CHRISTmas food baskets.
40. All other on going projects.
41. 1st Degree Team formation.
42. Blood drives.
43. Membership drive.
44. Youth retreat.
45. Donate to St. Vincent de Paul Society.
46. Build flower beds on parish grounds.
47. Donate freezer to parish hall.
48. Donate furniture to needy family.
49. Right-to-Life donations.
50. State bowling tournament.
51. 13 members received 4th Degree.

Yours in Service,

C. Bruce Pabon
Grand Knight

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT #1

Worthy State Deputy and State Officers, I greatly appreciate the privilege of serving the MS Jurisdiction as District Deputy #1. Some of the highlights of my year were:

1. Attended Installation of State Officers in Clarksdale.

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2. Installed Officers in all Councils.
 3. Attend 2nd and 3rd Degrees in Clarksdale.
 4. Six 1st Degrees held.
 5. Held 2nd and 3rd Degrees in Tupelo.
 6. Presented various awards to all Councils.
 7. Attended Mass for deceased members in Southaven.
 8. New World Cross Masses held in Holly Springs, Okolona, Aberdeen, Houston, Oxford, Tupelo, Corinth, Iuka, Booneville, Amory, Fulton, CYO Convention, Bishops Mass in McComb.
 9. Attended 2 Deanery meetings and talked about K.C.
 10. Visited 6 parishes and discussed K.C. with pastors and pastoral minister.
 11. Due to the intercession of our Worthy State Deputy, we are in the process of forming a Council in Oxford. At this time, we have 44 signed Form 100s and temporary officers in place.

In closing, I wish to thank the State officers, Committee chairmen, and Council officers for their help.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Ingram,
District Deputy

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT #2

District #2 is composed of five councils: 2969 Clarksdale, 5267 Greenwood, 5556 Cleveland, 6555 Shelby, and 10443 Grenada.

I had the opportunity of installing officers in Cleveland, July 24; Greenwood, July 10; Clarksdale, July 18; Grenada, August 7; and Shelby, August 18.

I attended the Installation of State Officers in Clarksdale June 29 and 30. Business meetings and orientation took place on the 29th and 30th. The Installation Mass was held on the 29th.

I attended the School of Columbianism in Jackson on July 28 as a District Deputy and as the Membership Chairman of Cleveland Council 5556.

On August 9 and 10, I attended the annual state softball tournament. There were two councils from District 2 participating in the tournament.

On July 31, I attended and participated in a 1st Degree initiation in Greenwood and on November 17, a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degree initiation was held in Clarksdale honoring Tony Antici.

On October 2, I attended an awards night held in Greenwood.

On October 27, a district meeting was called in Greenwood to discuss the progress of the councils in the district. This meeting was a joint meeting with the councils from District Three. After the business session and meal, there was a Co-District Bocci Tournament with the team from Greenville winning in the rain.

I attended the Mid-Year meeting in Clinton on December 8 and there picked up the materials for the mental retardation drive and the state raffle tickets to be distributed to the councils in my district. I visited with all the councils in my district in December to deliver these materials.

On December 12, I traveled to Southaven to receive the Cross of the New World for my deanery.

On February 2, a district meeting was held in Cleveland. Every council in my district was well represented except Grenada. We discussed all reports that are due and the awards to be obtained by them. We also discussed the mental retardation program and all paper work required of it. We discussed the upcoming convention and the state raffle and how this money will be used.

On February 22, I attended and participated in the state bowling tournament.

I plan to visit with all the councils in my district again before the convention to distribute the Tootsie Rolls and see if they have any problems that need my attention before the end of the fraternal year.

In closing, I would like to thank State Deputy Stan Swentkowski for his confidence in appointing me as District Deputy for District #2. It has been a pleasure and honor to serve under him in the spread of Columbianism in Mississippi. I would also like to thank all the Grand Knights and the fellow Knights in District #2 for the help they have given me.

Respectfully submitted,

Vic Aguzzi, Jr.
District Deputy

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT #3

Worthy State Deputy and State Officers, I greatly appreciate the privilege of serving the Mississippi Jurisdiction as District Deputy of District #3. District #3 consists of 898 Vicksburg, 2134 Greenville, 2945 Leland, 3328 Yazoo City, and 9234 Indianola.

I have visited all of my Councils in District #3 two or three times. Membership was discussed with the Grand Knight of each Council and the Council itself, except for Council #3328 Yazoo City, which is on a moratorium at this time. Membership was also discussed and encouraged at the joint District meeting between districts 2 and 3 on October 27th at the Greenwood Knights of Columbus Hall. The Grand Knights, program chairmen, financial secretaries, and the membership directors of these councils were present at this meeting.

The membership status of each Council in District #3 from June 1, 1991, to the present is:

898 Vicksburg: gained 4, dropped 0
2134 Greenville: gained 4, dropped 10
2945 Leland: gained 1, dropped 1
3328 Yazoo City: in moratorium at present but working in a positive direction for reactivation
9234 Indianola: gained 0, dropped 0

As District Deputy of District #3, I have actively campaigned and encouraged all of the Councils in District #3 to recruit new members and members who are no longer active in the Knights of Columbus. All Catholic gentlemen should be given the opportunity and encouraged in a positive manner to join the Knights of Columbus to help further promote Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism in the Catholic Church and throughout the world.

As of today, only one Council in District #3 has had a First Degree which is Vicksburg 898 on

October 10, 1991. Leland Council 2945 carried its members to the Greenwood Council in Greenwood, Mississippi, to be initiated. I have encouraged all of the Councils in District #3 to sponsor at least two First Degrees from the beginning of the fraternal year.

2134 Greenville: has a First Degree Team.

2945 Leland: has a First Degree Team.

898 Vicksburg: has a First Degree Team.

On August 16, 1991, Jesse J. Quinn, Jr., P.S.D., New Council Development Chairman wrote to me about these Catholic parishes in Mississippi: Shaw, Greenville (Sacred Heart), Yazoo City (St. Mary's), and Vicksburg (St. Mary's). I have discussed new council development with Jesse J. Quinn, Jr., P.S.D., and the area field agent Jerry Woods. We came to the conclusion that the Yazoo City Council 3328 (St. Mary's) needs reactivating and we are in the process of doing that now. All of the other parishes have potential for a new Council in the future, but not at this time.

None of the Councils in District #3 have approached me about Round Table potential and I am not aware of any in my District at this time. I will be happy to discuss Round Table potential with any Council in my District or Round Table Chairman, James Rossetti.

I contacted all of the Councils in my District in February and ordered Tootsie Rolls for all of them. The Tootsie Rolls all were shipped to the Indianola Pecan House where each Council picked them up for the Tootsie Roll Drive in May.

As District Deputy, I have encouraged all of my Councils to sell all of their raffle tickets issued to them from the Columbus of Mississippi, Inc., so that the State Convention will be a success in 1992. I would like to thank State Deputy Stan Swentkowski for allowing me to serve all of my Brother Knights in District #3 as their District Deputy. As District Deputy, I am always willing and ready to help my Brother Knights in any way possible that promotes the ideal of Columbianism in the Holy Catholic Church and the world abroad.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry V. Lott
District Deputy

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT #4

Worthy State Deputy and State Officers, I greatly appreciate the opportunity and privilege to serve the Mississippi Jurisdiction as District Deputy #4.

District #4 is composed of 6 councils: St. Jude 8048, St. Paul 10216, St. Francis 9541, Holy Savior 7854, John T. Savage 848, and St. Theresa 8285.

I have managed to visit each of these Councils.

December 8: St. Francis recruitment

January 7: 848 business meeting

January 8: St. Paul business meeting

January 9: St. Jude business meeting

January 19: 2nd and 3rd Degree, host St. Paul

February 8: Saturday Road (Highway 25) clean-up

February 10: St. Theresa business meeting
February 12: Holy Savior business meeting
February 22: Bowling Tournament, Ocean Springs
February 26: St. Paul drugs (DEA)
March 6: Waynesboro (Talk on Round Table)
March 8: Brookhaven insurance membership
March 9: St. Theresa insurance meeting
March 11: St. Paul business meeting
March 12: St. Jude insurance meeting
March 25: St. Paul social (Penn's Fish House)

Each of these councils were conducting business in a variety of ways to benefit the family, church, and community. The Brother Knights made me feel welcome and I am proud to serve with such Catholic gentlemen.

Our Councils are actively working and supporting charitable causes such as:

1. Bingo (Priest Education Fund)
2. Tootsie Roll Drive (Planning)
3. CYO aiding and assisting
4. Marian Year Hour of Prayer
5. Rosary
6. Lenten Devotion (Way of the Cross)
7. Bowling tournament
8. Drugs (DEA)
9. Scouting
10. New Membership (Information Nights)
11. Blood Drives
12. Free-throw (basketball)
13. Insurance
14. Establishing a New Fourth Degree Assembly
15. Recruiting members for 1st Degree Team
16. Working with unemployed
17. Community projects

Worthy Sirs, in my brief tenure as District Deputy #4, I was impressed to see that our order in Mississippi is performing so well, that the Grand Knights and fellow officers were leading their membership, and that they were establishing goals and achieving them.

My personal goals for the remaining year and the New Year:

1. Make myself available to all the Grand Knights.
2. Increase membership quality Catholic gentlemen.
3. Establish yet another 1st Degree Team in my district.
4. Make contact with new council on Round Table (Forest, MS).
5. Continue to work with the priest in Canton to re-establish the Council.
6. Follow-up with Tootsie Roll Drive.
7. Promote the Rosary.

In closing, I would like to thank our State Deputy Stan Swentkowski for giving me the opportunity to serve my Brother Knights.

Respectfully submitted,

Louis F. Zylka
District Deputy

**DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT
DISTRICT #5**

The good news in District 5 is that Council 802, Meridian, has the programs and membership gains which will allow it to be optimistic in the competition for best large council in the Mississippi jurisdiction. Excellent leadership combined with dedicated members are responsible for the brightest light in this district.

Council 6765, Starkville, has had a relatively good year. It has an active program considering the council size. However, it has had a poor year in membership growth. This council meets only once a month and has no First Degree Team. The nearest degree team is over 60 miles away. Both of these situations have stymied council growth.

Council 7974, Columbus, is for all practical purposes not functioning at this time. All attempts at rejuvenation of what has been a fine council have been unsuccessful. Its Pastor recommends that it be placed in moratorium for "two or three years." The council members I have talked with seem to agree with his assessment.

I have made absolutely no progress toward the reactivation of West Point Council 9537.

It is a pleasure to report that a sufficient number of applications has been received to institute a council in Philadelphia. We expect to have the required number exemplified in the 1st Degree on May 2. Dan Burt of Philadelphia approached us with the idea of starting a new council there. Help of the State Officers and insurance representatives is gratefully acknowledged in this effort. Special thanks go to State Deputy Swentkowski, State Secretary Zettler, State Advocate Quinn, PSD Quin, Membership Director Patterson and Agent Mosco for their work on this new council. Larry Campbell is the assigned insurance representative for this council and his help has been wonderful.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard D. Benton
District Deputy

**DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT
DISTRICT #6**

District #6 is composed of three Councils: Natchez 1034, Brookhaven 7915, and McComb 8054, all located in the Southwest area of the state.

I attended the Installation of the State Officers in Clarksdale, Mississippi, where I was officially appointed District Deputy #6. Following that event, a few months later, I attended the School of Columbianism in Jackson, Mississippi.

It was my distinct privilege and honor to have installed officers of all three Councils for the fraternal year 1991-92. The Installation in Brookhaven was held at the local Holiday Inn in its spacious banquet hall. As "icing on the cake," our Council, that is, my home Council 7915, welcomed the entire State Officers headed by our Worthy State Deputy, Stanley M. Swentkowski, who rendered an inspiring and challenging exhortation to each of the members and families present concerning the objective of Columbianism in the 21st Century. Following that, the other State Officers added some most

appropriate comments relative to the impressive occasion. All of the foregoing took place at the close of the School of Columbianism held in Jackson, Mississippi.

During my present tenure as District Deputy, and up to the present time, I have had the opportunity to attend, witness, and sometimes assist at several First Degree Exemplifications. I am scheduled to be present at one other such event and possibly two. I also attended the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications in Vicksburg at which Council 7915 supplied two candidates.

At a meeting I attended in Natchez concerning the State Convention, at which our Worthy State Deputy was in attendance, the agenda of the forthcoming event was aired in complete detail. Duties and events were outlined, attesting to the fact that this Convention will be a most memorable event. As District Deputy of the District in which the Convention will be held, I offered the committee the cooperation of the other two Councils, Brookhaven and McComb, in any way they felt they could be of service. I was advised that our Councils would be contacted in that regard.

I have endeavored to stress the importance of recruitment in every Council I have visited. As a result, I feel District #6 will bring in something like 17 or 18 new members. It is hoped we can go to Gulfport, MS, with a representative group for their 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications.

Owing to the date of the State Convention in Natchez, it is felt our annual districtwide Jamboree picnic might have to be postponed until early fall rather than during May or early June as had been planned. A number of important projects, such as the Tootsie Roll Drive, coming so soon after the State Convention, necessitates a change of date. It is hoped that this "get together" of members and families from all three Councils will continue, as the first of such events proved it could result in an important family-oriented project bringing together many families in the spirit of true Columbianism. But more about this later.

My overall rating of accomplishment is one of satisfaction. Maybe more could have been done, obviously. However, that can be said of any organization such as our beloved Order. The overall important consideration is that we recognize our accomplishments and sort of "take off" from that point, ever striving to carry out what the nuns used to make the classroom I attended recite at every opportunity: "Good, Better, Best. Never let it Rest. Till the Good is Better, and the Better Best." That is what I have tried to live out.

Lastly, I wish to thank the Worthy State Deputy Stanley M. Swentkowski for giving me the singular honor of being his District Deputy #6. It has been a most rewarding experience and his guidance and cooperation have been exemplary and most inspiring. I shall treasure that highly. And that goes also for his supporting State Officers who have given me their valuable support.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Bonfiglio
District Deputy

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT #7

Most Worthy State Deputy Swentkowski: As this annual report is being prepared, my first thoughts are to express the gratitude I feel for the honor of being asked by you to serve in the capacity of District Deputy of District #7, Mississippi Jurisdiction, Knights of Columbus.

As you are aware, District #7 include my home Council Laurel Council #2180, Hattiesburg Bishop Fahey Council #1908, Bassfield Father Malachy Burns Council #6592, and Lumberton Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council #7211.

Officers were properly installed in each of the aforementioned Councils soon after the new fraternal year began. Grand Knights were: Dr. David Hughes of Laurel, Mike Bucciantini of Hattiesburg, Ted Applewhite of Bassfield, and Joe Goeliner of Lumberton.

At this point in our fraternal year, I am delighted to report Laurel Council #2180 has received Star Council status. This seems to be an annual event in Laurel in recent years. Hattiesburg Bishop Fahey Council #1908 was awarded the Father McGivney Founders Award Medallion.

It should be noted that Brother Mike Bucciantini accepted the office of Grand Knight of Hattiesburg Bishop Fahey Council #1908 after no one came forward or was willing to accept the position. The Council has not enjoyed the status it had after selling its home adjacent to Sacred Heart Church and relocating on highway 49 north. It appears many of the older members are not supportive of this move. It is interesting to note, however, that this council met its quota in membership and continues to host the state softball tournament each year, a well attended activity.

The councils at Bassfield and Lumberton appear to be at a standstill. Neither Council produced a single new member this year. Both are councils with a rich history, but seem to lack the enthusiasm needed for continued growth. Both Grand Knights appear to have done a swell job by at least continuing the path of discovery this esteemed Order has set upon. Perhaps with another fraternal year to begin anew, these councils can once again reach those eligible Catholic men who only need to be asked to become a part of our Order.

Laurel Council #2180 has maintained a First Degree Team that is of exceptional quality. No other team has been observed any better at exemplification of the First Degree of our Order.

This writer feels there exists a real possibility of a new council in Wiggins as the pastor, Father Louie Lohan, is supportive of this. Help should be sought from the Gulfport Council in this undertaking. There was some discussion of a second council at Hattiesburg. The problem is, as best as this writer can determine, the existence of only one parish (Sacred Heart) in Hattiesburg and the pastor does not want a second council in his parish. This is understandable. Some say St. Thomas, which has Mission status at the University of Southern Mississippi, is now a parish, but this has not been made certain. Perhaps contact with His Excellency, Bishop Howze, could clear this matter and hopefully enjoy his support. This would offer a council home for our Catholic students at the university. The goals of next year should be the establishment of new councils at each of these possible locations.

In conclusion, your leadership has been inspirational. To you and your wife Regina and your wonderful children who have followed you from one end of this state to the other all year long for various functions, this Order is forever indebted. This has been a sacrifice and a tremendous gesture of Fraternism at its absolute greatest. May Almighty God, our Father of Mercy, reward and bless you and each member of your family as well as each beloved Brother Knight of Columbus both living and deceased.

Fraternaly,

Joseph A. Harvey
District Deputy

**DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT
DISTRICT #8**

Worthy State Deputy and State Officers: I greatly appreciate the privilege of serving the Mississippi Jurisdiction as District Deputy of District #8.

On June 28-30, I attended the installation of State Officers in Clarksdale MS. I found the meeting to be very informative for my new duties as District Deputy #8.

Throughout the month of July, I installed all my Council's new officers and had my District meeting on August 7 at Bay St. Louis Council. At the meeting, we talked about what was to be expected of each Council and the new officers.

In July, I attended the School of Columbianism in Jackson MS, where once again I found some very good information to help my councils do better and, hopefully, to become better councils.

I have visited all my councils numerous times and I was very proud to present my council with their awards from Supreme. At the time of this report, all the councils in my district have placed their orders for Tootsie Rolls.

In closing, I would like to thank State Deputy Stan Swentkowski for allowing me to serve my Brother Knights in District #8 as their District Deputy.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray A. Billeaud, Jr.
District Deputy

**DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT
DISTRICT #9**

Worthy State Deputy and State Officer, I greatly appreciate the opportunity of serving the Mississippi jurisdiction as District Deputy for District #9. This district includes Bishop Gunn Council 1583, Gulfport; St. Vincent de Paul Council 4898, Long Beach; Father Harry Wade Council 7910, Gulfport Orange Grove; Reinhart Schroeder Council 9409, West Biloxi; and the James D. Hart Council 9673 of Woolmarket.

On June 28-30, I attended the state organizational meeting and installation of state officers which was held in Clarksdale, MS, home of the state deputy.

During the months of July and August, I had the great privilege and honor of installing the newly elected officers for the councils which comprise District 9. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the council officers and members for their kindness to both myself and my wife during these installations.

On August 4th, 1991, a joint district meeting was held consisting of the councils within District 9 and District 10. This meeting was hosted by Msgr. Gregory Kennedy Council 10499 and held in the St. Elizabeth Seton Church Parish Hall. Nine of the eleven councils which comprise these two districts were in attendance. The meeting was called to order and chaired by District Deputy Larry Tabor and Jack Cunningham. At the conclusion of the meeting, a lunch was served by the members of Council 10499. I want to personally thank the members of Council 10499 for their fine hospitality.

During this fraternal year, I had the pleasure of presenting the following awards to the councils within this district: Star Council Award to St. Vincent de Paul Council 4898, Long Beach; Father McGivney and Columbian Awards to Bishop Gunn Council 1583, Gulfport, and Reinhart Schroeder Council 9409, West Biloxi; and the Father McGivney and Founders Awards to James D. Hart Council 9673, Woolmarket. These awards are just a small indication of the hard work and great effort put forth by these councils throughout the year in furthering the principle of the Knights of Columbus throughout the state and district.

Throughout this past fraternal year, I have tried to visit all the councils within the district as frequently as possible and to render assistance whenever it was sought. I attended all but one of the first degree Exemplifications conducted within the district. I want to thank all the councils within the district for their outstanding hospitality to me during these visits.

Since July 1, 1991, there have been 9 First Degree Exemplifications held in this district. Four were held and conducted by James D. Hart Council 9673, Woolmarket; 4 were held and conducted by Bishop Gunn Council 1583, Gulfport; and 1 was hosted by the Father Harry Wade Council 7910, Orange Grove, and conducted by the First Degree Team of St. Vincent de Paul Council 4898, Long Beach. As a result of these exemplifications, District 9 exceeded its membership goal. To date, the following councils have exceeded their membership goals: Father Harry Wade Council 7910, Orange Grove; Reinhart Schroeder Council 9409, West Biloxi; and the James D. Hart Council 9673 of Woolmarket.

As of this report, all councils have placed orders and received Tootsie Rolls for this year's drive. All councils have their plans well underway for their drives.

In this report, I have tried to outline the accomplishments of the councils within District 9. Much, much more could be reported, but in the interest of brevity, I feel that the aforementioned achievements bear witness that the councils in this district are on the move and have accomplished those things that make the Knights of Columbus the great organization that it is today both in Mississippi and the nation. Whatever recognition or praise may be forthcoming to this district is due not to any action that I may have taken, but to the dedication, unselfish attitude, cooperative spirit, and perseverance of all the councils, their members, and officers that make up this district. They made my job a very easy one and a very enjoyable one. I want to thank them all most humbly.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. (Jack) Cunningham
District Deputy

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT DISTRICT #10

This is a report of the district for the fraternal year 1991-1992. This district is composed of councils 1244 Biloxi, 1605 Pascagoula, 5654 Ocean Springs, 9094 Biloxi, 9124 Gautier, and 10499 East Ocean Springs.

All Council Officers were properly installed with the appropriate ceremony by the end of July 91. District 10 had five of the six councils present at the School of Columbianism held in Jackson. The same representation was evident at the Mid-Winter meeting.

Only ten First Degree and one Second and Third Degree Exemplifications were held in District 10 this year, quite a drop from last year. Correspondingly, only three of the six councils in this district

met or exceeded their membership goals set by Supreme.

I have made over 32 visits to the councils within this district, each of which extended the warmest and most cordial hospitality. It seems that every week I have made some type of event or activity that I was invited to attend, every one different and exciting. Council activities abound in this district.

I would like to thank each Grand Knight of this district for their support which made my job as District Deputy a whole lot easier. I understand their positions and their determination to hard work and brotherhood; all of their actions are geared for the betterment of the Knights of Columbus in the Mississippi Jurisdiction. I saw many family activities where the children were a part of the program. I saw men truly enjoying themselves working with others. I saw huge tasks undertaken by Christian gentlemen. My hat's off to all of them. These will be memorable years that I will never forget.

It has been a challenging year for me. Sometimes I think I bit off more than I could chew. However, I did not accept this challenge because I wanted the attention or an ego booster. I accepted the duties and responsibilities because I thought I could assist in some small way to the overall success of the Knights of Columbus. Hopefully, I accomplished my goal because if I had to do it over again, I would rethink my game plan.

In closing, I wish to thank all the State Officers and all my Brother Knights of the district for their support, cooperation, and consideration shown to me during the past fraternal year. I am especially grateful to State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski for according me the privilege and opportunity to be involved with the Knights of Columbus in the Mississippi Jurisdiction. A special thanks goes out to the State Warden Guy Todaro, Jr. for all the words of encouragement during my times of distress. To State Treasurer Greg Niolet, I also extend my appreciation for his injection of humor when times seemed to get complicated. All in all, it was a year full of learning experiences and I am glad to have served our precious Order.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry J. Tabor
District Deputy

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 1992
MEMORIAL MASS
REGISTRATION, MEMBERS & GUESTS**

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

This meeting was called to order by State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski at 9:30 a.m. The prayer was offered by past State Chaplain Father Frank Corcoran and the Pledge of Allegiance by State Master of the Fourth Degree Norman Kiehm.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL
88TH ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION**

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

STATE OFFICERS

State Chaplain.....	Rev. Brian Carroll (Rev. Frank Corcoran)
State Deputy.....	Stanley M. Swentkowski
State Secretary.....	Thomas R. Zettler
State Treasurer.....	Gregory Niolet
State Advocate.....	Jesse Quinn, III
State Warden.....	Guy Todaro, Jr.
Immediate Past State Deputy.....	Marvin L. Lott

**MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL
COUNCIL DELEGATES**

802 Meridian	Mouise T. Richards	John J. Maloney
848 Jackson	Jerry Graham	Fred Cunningham
898 Vicksburg	Zenon Sucharski	Tom Chady
1034 Natchez	William Geohegan, Jr.	Patrick Bigland
1244 Biloxi	Curtis Harrison, Jr.	Leroy Herbert
1522 Bay St. Louis	Andrew T. Mitchell	Earl J. Bourgeois
1583 Gulfport	Karl E. Koberger	Michael W. Craft
1605 Pascagoula	Ted V. Knowles	Matt Zelenka
1908 Hattiesburg	Michael Bucciantini	Tommy Rocconi
2134 Greenville	Edward Futey	Maynard Chandler
2180 Laurel	David Hughes	Bill Gatzman
2945 Leland	Charles J. Molino	Leon J. Shapley
2969 Clarksdale	James T. Rossetti	Jim Glover
3328 Yazoo City	Moratorium	
4472 Pass Christian	Exavier Niolet	Joseph L. Ladner
4898 Long Beach	Adam J. D'Lorenzo	David W. D'Lorenzo
5267 Greenwood	Partick Quinn	Orlando Fratesi
5556 Cleveland	Ben T. Bailey, III	Albert Rocconi, Jr.
5654 Ocean Springs	Carl Brochard	Tommy Brochard
6555 Shelby	David Maeatesta	Joe Bramucci
6592 Bassfield	Ted Applewhite	John Carr
6765 Starkville	James R. Heitz	James Sisson
6872 Picayune	Paul Schommer	Emile Vial
7087 Kiln	A. Elbert Cuevas	Richard Hoda
7120 Southaven	Gordon B. Coker	Dan Garrigan
7211 Lumberton	No Delegates Present	
7854 Clinton	Lloyd T. Everhardt	Sterling J. Peters
7910 Gulfport O.G.	Frank Labigang	James Dunigan
7915 Brookhaven	Thomas L. Corkern, Jr.	Paul Reuter
7974 Columbus	No Delegates Present	
8038 Pearl	Darrell R. Hipp	Gordon R. Cowie
8054 McComb	Rick Penick	Joseph Serio
8285 Jackson St. Therese	Rick Gaspard	David Longo

8760 Holly Springs	Eddie D. Dixon	Clause L. Vinson, Sr.
8848 Tupelo	Robert D. Brinton	Keith Merritt
8912 Corinth	Joseph L. Zoglman	James Leatherwood
9094 North Biloxi	James Donnelly	
9124 Gautier	No Delegates Present	
9234 Indianola	Joe Tannehill	Louis P. Labella
9409 West Biloxi	Fred A. Spencer	Daniel E. Cervantez
9537 West Point	Moratorium	
9543 Madison	John A. Maher	Dwight Hood
9673 Woolmarket	Wayne Broussard	Frank McManns
9958 Lizana	Hollis J. Moran	Ira S. McKay
10216 Brandon	John Lewis	Louis Zylka
10443 Granada	E. H. Merriman, Sr.	Michael Liberto
10499 Msgr. Kennedy		
Ocean Springs	C. Bruce Pabon	Billy Wagener

DISTRICT DEPUTIES

District No. 1	Gene Ingram
District No. 2	Vic Aquzzi, Jr.
District No. 3	Terry V. Lott
District No. 4	Louis F Zulka (paid as delegate)
District No. 5	Richard Benton (not present)
District No. 6	Joseph Bonfiglio
District No. 7	Joseph A. Hardy
District No. 8	Ray A. Billeaud, Jr.
District No. 9	John W. (Jack) Cunningham
District No. 10	Larry Tabor

PAST STATE DEPUTIES

Dennis E. Ladnier, Sr.	Wiley Price, Jr.
Fred L. Westbrook, Jr.	Norman L. Kiem
Jesse J. Quinn, Jr.	Robert Fratesi

HONORARY STATE CHAPLAINS

Bishop Joseph B. Brunini
 Bishop William R. Houck
 Bishop Joseph L. Howze

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Zettler, State Secretary
 Darrell Hipp
 John Lewis
 Eddie Dixon
 Paul Schommer
 Jim Glover
 Wayne Broussard

STATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

I am privileged to serve as State Chaplain and to make this annual report. On behalf of Bishop Howze, the pastors and religious of the Diocese of Jackson-Biloxi, I take this opportunity to officially thank the Knights of Columbus in the Mississippi jurisdiction for their generosity in providing leadership in so many areas of the Church.

I regret that I cannot be with you for this Convention. My sincere thanks to Father Frank Corcoran, former State Chaplain, who willingly agreed to take my place.

St. Mary of the Pines, Chatawa, was the setting for our Diocesan retreat this week. The weather was beautiful. Bishop Houck and 32 priests made the retreat. The theme of the retreat was Priestly Spirituality. The retreat master challenged us to take a new look at where we stand with God, self, and others. If we are right with God and if we have a healthy self respect, then God's love will flow through us to other people.

Today, I challenge you as faithful, active KC members to ask yourselves that same question. You are a powerful force for good in the State of Mississippi. You have gathered here to celebrate your story, to have fun, to share ideas, and to learn from each other. Many reports on your KC programs and activities will be given at this meeting. From what I have seen and heard, the reports are good and this indicates that you are doing your work and doing it very well.

I know about the fine work that you are doing in the following areas of the apostolate in Mississippi: Pro-Life; vocations; Priests' Education; mental retardation; visiting the sick and the mentally ill; Catholic schools; tuition aid; college scholarships; soup kitchens; physically impaired; generous donations to men, women, and children in your local parishes and communities who are in financial need; donations to your local churches; religious appreciation programs; support the Habitat for Humanity; and many more.

Faith without good works is dead. Your faith is alive and strong.

For all this, I give thanks to you and to God.

Saint Paul in 2 Corinthians 1:3 invites us "to give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the merciful Father, the God from whom all help comes." He helps us in all our troubles, so that we are able to help others who have all kinds of troubles using the same help that we ourselves have received from God.

In closing, I would like to share this prayer of Pope John XXIII with you. "Divine Spirit, renew your wonders in this our age as in a new Pentecost, and grant that your Church, praying perseveringly and insistently with one heart and mind together with Mary, the mother of Jesus, and guided by blessed Peter, may increase the reign of the Divine Savior, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace. Amen."

Yours in Christ,

Reverend Brian Carroll
State Chaplain

STATE DEPUTY'S REPORT

Your Excellencies, Reverend Former State Chaplain, Worthy Representative, Worthy State Officers,

Worthy District Deputies, Worthy Insurance General Agent, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy Delegates, and my Brother Knights:

It has indeed been a privilege to have served as your State Deputy for the Mississippi Jurisdiction over the past ten months. This distinct honor has allowed me to travel throughout our jurisdiction and to personally witness the tremendous activities that our Order performs. It has also allowed me to witness first hand the great successes we have had as well as the areas that need more of our energy and concern.

Our meeting on this the 88th Annual Convention is a time for us to renew our commitments to our Order. It is a time to join with acquaintances, to make new friendships, and to strengthen our Fraternal Bond. It is a time to reward councils and individuals who have excelled and to pray for our Brothers who have gone before us. It is because of them that we have achieved the high degree of success and notoriety which is ours today.

I would be remiss in my duty, though, if I did not also point out to you the need for change in vision and attitude in the areas where I see that it is needed. It is my honest opinion that we cannot continue to grow and improve if we do not meet our negative challenges head on. As I proceed through my report, I will point out both our successes and areas of needed growth.

STATE DEPUTIES MEETING

My duties as State Deputy began in early June, as I was accompanied by my wife, Regina, to the State Deputies Meeting at Supreme Headquarters in New Haven, Connecticut. It was a tremendous experience to meet and socialize with the Supreme Officers, Board of Directors, and my fellow State Deputies. It was a time for learning, making lasting friendships, and discovering more about our Order. I had the opportunity to visit the:

- (A) Reception Area-dedicated by exhibits pertaining to Christopher Columbus and Father Michael J. McGivney.
- (B) Founders Room-dedicated to a visual biography of Father Michael J. McGivney.
- (C) Reliquary-containing the personal items of Father Michael J. McGivney.
- (D) Gifts-areas containing gifts from worldwide jurisdictions, mementos and metals, and the Order's patriotic war efforts.

The most outstanding memory was to attend Mass at St. Mary's Church which is the birthplace of the Knights of Columbus. To eat breakfast in the basement where our honored Order was founded was exhilarating to say the least. My wife and I also had the honor of placing a rose on the resting place of our glorious founder. I know many of you, like me, feel that our founding was not a chance event, but one of divine inspiration. A visit to St. Mary's strengthens that belief.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The installation of State Officer and District Deputies as well as the District Deputies Meetings were held on June 28-30, 1991, in Clarksdale, MS. On Friday, June 28, 1991, with the help of Msgr. McKenna Council #2969, I hosted a welcome party at my house. The attendance was excellent and a good time seemed to be had by all.

On Saturday evening, the State Officers and District Deputies were installed at the 6:00 Mass at St. Elizabeth's Church by his Excellency Bishop Houck. Following the installations, Msgr. James T. McKenna Council hosted a dance and food for all the visiting dignitaries.

On Saturday and Sunday, meetings were held in all areas of the State Program with an emphasis on unity. It was a general opinion that great strides were made in these meetings.

SCHOOL OF COLUMBIANISM

On July 28, 1991, a large percentage of all the leaders of the Mississippi Jurisdiction met at the Ramada Inn, Coliseum, in Jackson, MS, to review all the aspects of the State Program. I feel that all who attended left with a greater degree of devotion to our Order and its goals.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

On August 6th through the 8th, 1991, your State Deputy, along with Immediate Past State Deputy Marvin Lott, State Treasurer Greg Niolet, and State Advocate Jesse Quinn III, attended the 109th Supreme Council Meeting in St. Louis, Missouri. The National Convention is a time that makes you proud to be a Knight. The support we receive from our Pope, cardinals, archbishops, bishops, and priests is evident at this affair. The State of the Order is indeed in good, stable hands.

SUPREME MID-WINTER MEETING

I attended the State Deputies Mid-Winter Meeting in Chicago, Illinois, on November 23-34, 1991. This meeting was devoted to membership and to commemorating the 500th anniversary of Columbus bringing Christianity to the New World.

STATE MID-WINTER MEETING

Holy Savior Council #7854 of Clinton was the gracious host of the State Mid-Winter meeting on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, December 8, 1991. At that time, our new Membership Director, Roy Patterson, was introduced. All Councils were instructed on where they stood on membership and on what we would like them to achieve. Our new Membership Director impressed us all with how quickly he had organized the data for the State, having taken the position only thirteen days prior.

BIENVILLE PROVINCE MEETING

December 14th and 15th found your State Deputy and his wife in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, for the Bienville Province Meeting of the Fourth Degree which includes the Jurisdictions of Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Tennessee. I was proud of our jurisdiction's progress in the Fourth Degree as well as the attendance of our Master of the Fourth Degree Norman Kiehm and Past Masters John P. Myers and Paulino Carrubba. This meeting featured some of the greatest supporters of our Order, the men who have achieved the Patriotic Degree.

STATE OF THE ORDER

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is a topic which consumes much of the time of the State Deputy and State Officers. It is the criteria, whether right or wrong, upon which Jurisdictions are compared to each other and upon which ultimate rewards are based. We have done well this year considering the excellent year we had last year. Our standing in our Division has fluctuated from a high of second place to a low of fifth place in net gain. The April standings show us in third place in net gain out of 14 jurisdictions in our Division. We show that we have recruited 288 new Knights, suspended 119, for a new gain of 169. This results in a 3.36 percent gain. We know that this is not a poor showing, but we also know we can do better. Unfortunately though, I have received a large number of intent to suspend forms from two councils in the Jurisdiction that will hurt us in overall membership. I hope these two councils will do all they can to retain a majority of these members.

I know better than anyone that numbers alone do not tell the story. I want to thank all the councils who worked so hard to keep our membership growing. As you know, I do not believe in playing the numbers game. I have never told you not to suspend a member, but I have beseeched you to make every effort to limit suspensions by saving those members whom we may lose. I have also asked you to try to remain in the plus column by not suspending in mass number and not suspending more than you recruit. I know this can be a financial hardship, but if your financial secretaries perform their job, there should be no mass suspensions. The state can contend with small suspensions, but

those of 15 and 20 at a time hurt our standing and make an offset difficult.

I want to thank the many councils who made every effort to help us in recruiting. At this time, I would like to recognize the 13 Top Gun Councils who achieved a minimum of 10 percent increase in membership. As I name these Councils, I would like the delegates from these Councils to please stand and remain standing until all have been named.

Council 4472 - Pass Christian
Council 7910 - Orange Grove
Council 7915 - Brookhaven
Council 7915 - Pearl
Council 8285 - Jackson, St Theresa
Council 8848 - Tupelo
Council 9094 - North Biloxi
Council 9409 - West Biloxi
Council 9673 - Woolmarket
Council 9958 - Lizana
Council 10216 - Brandon
Council 10443 - Grenada
Council 10499 - Ocean Springs

Let us please give these Brothers a hand for their effort. Obviously, these Councils mentioned have also met the State quota of a 5 percent increase in membership. At this time, I would like to call upon the other councils who reached the 5 percent increase in membership. As I name these councils, I would like the delegates from these councils to please stand and remain standing until all have been named.

Council 1908 - Hattiesburg
Council 2969 - Clarksdale
Council 6872 - Picayune
Council 9543 - Madison

Although they were announced last night, I would also like to recognize the four councils who won the net gain and percentage awards by council size:

Small Council - Net Gain & Percentage: 10499, Ocean Springs
Medium Council - Net Gain & Percentage: 7910, Orange Grove
Large Council - Net Gain & Percentage: 8848, Tupelo
Extra Large Council - Net Gain & Percentage: 2969, Clarksdale

Let us give these councils a hand. We owe all these councils a great deal of appreciation for what they have done for our Order.

I want to mention with pride two council who are represented here today that were in serious trouble and in danger of non-existence. Both Councils 1908 Hattiesburg and 7910 Orange Grove responded to the challenge and pulled themselves to respectability. In Hattiesburg, we saw the leadership of Grand Knight Mike Bucciantini and District Deputy Joe Harvey turn this Council's fortunes around. In Orange Grove, we saw Grand Knight Frank Labigang, District Deputy Jack Cunningham, and Father Lynch work miracles with Council 7910. Both these councils deserve our appreciation.

I want to thank the State Officers and District Deputy Jack Cunningham who accompanied me to Orange Grove to speak at Mass about the Knights of Columbus. We are an effective group and good

things have happened when the State Officers come to speak and recruit. The only thing you need to do to get us to come and recruit in your parish is to "ask us." This invitation stands for struggling councils as well as old and established ones. All you have to do is ask. We all can use a shot of new and different energy in our parishes.

Before I close, I want to thank Roy Patterson for the tremendous job he has done this year as Membership Director. He assumed the position at a difficult time and has done more than I could have asked of him. He has traveled to various councils to present the "Top Proposer of the Month" Awards, attended most Second and Third Degree Exemplifications, kept accurate statistics on membership, and has been very active in New Council Development. I think we all owe Roy a sign of appreciation.

Obviously, we have been praising the Councils which have excelled this fraternal year, but as I mentioned at the start of my report, we must also address the areas of need. We have 9 councils who have not recruited a new Knight and 6 councils who stand in negative membership numbers at this time. There is no need to mention names because you know who you are. This is not meant to embarrass you but to allow you to realize that we want to help you. In years past, Councils who were not productive were outcasts and left to fend for themselves. Last April when I was elected State Deputy, I told you that no council was more important than another. I still believe that. I have great respect for you all and realize that there are many reasons for recruitment difficulties. Please know that I still support you and will do anything to help you. This State Deputy will never turn his back on you because your numbers are low and you can take that to the bank.

NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT

I have been slightly disappointed at the slow rate of new council development this year, but this is no indication of the job P.S.D. Jesse Quinn Jr. has done. He has continued to work with District Deputies to initiate contacts for New Council Development. We are now very close to obtaining new Councils in Philadelphia and Oxford. At the writing of this report, we are 8 members short of the 30 needed in Philadelphia. We have signed thirty members, but need eight more to go through the First Degree. In Oxford, we have fostered interest in approximately 44 members and must now get them organized.

I would like to thank District Deputy Dick Benton, General Agent Henry Mosco, Field Agent Larry Campbell, Membership Director Roy Patterson, New Council Chairman Jesse Quinn Jr., State Secretary Tom Zettler, and State Advocate Jesse Quinn III for their help in Philadelphia. I want to give a special thanks to the Council 802 Meridian who has aided us in the formation of this council and supplied the First Degree Team. Although Philadelphia is in close geographical proximity to them, they did not try to suppress development, but encouraged it. Thank you again, Council 802.

I would also like to thank District Deputy Gene Ingram, General Agent Henry Mosco, Field Agent Fred Ward, Membership Chairman Roy Patterson, Round Table Chairman James Rossetti, State Advocate Jesse Quinn III, and Brother Ken Lubers for their help in Oxford.

Needless to say, we cannot rest until these locations become Councils. District Deputy Larry Tabor has also made contact with the Parish of Wiggins where there seems to be interest in New Council Development.

In December, at our Mid-Winter meeting, I heard our District Deputies recite a list of potential new council sites. It is imperative that we not wait to initiate contact and do so as soon as possible. I feel we were a little tentative this year and not as aggressive as we should have been in new councils. We had 5 District Deputies who are first term DDs. I think this year of experience will make a difference in this area in the future.

I also think our vision of New Council growth must change. With the exception of St. Richard's, most

of our remaining parishes without KC Councils are small. We need to look into developing interest in the KC through Round Tables. We then may draw enough interest to begin a new council or combine Round Tables of parishes of close approximation to form a council. We can no longer afford to avoid parishes who do not have significant numbers. We must spread Columbianism in every way possible. I ask all our members to help us in this endeavor.

CEREMONIALS

On March 15, 1992, in Tupelo, MS, a historic event took place. On that date, the "Delta Second and Third Degree Teams" which originated in Council 5267 Msgr. John F. Cleriro, Greenwood, performed their first exemplification. Under the watchful eye of Supreme Ceremonials Chairman Sam Dambrocio, the team performed in dramatic fashion bringing praise from our Supreme Ceremonials Chairman.

For years, the Mississippi Jurisdiction has been handicapped by having only one Second and Third Degree team and one CO located in Pascagoula, MS. Distance and financial concerns made it difficult for those teams to perform in the central and northern sections of this Jurisdiction. Although the team under Captain Ted Knowles and CO Guy Todaro Jr. performed admirably, the Jurisdiction needed help.

In June 1991 at the Installation of Officers, I challenged our state leaders to form new degree teams. State Advocate Jesse Quinn III and Grand Knight Brian Cooper of Council 5267 accepted this challenge and brought this dream to a reality. All the men on this team deserve our praise. Please give them a hand. At this time, we also have a third Second and Third Degree team forming in the Pass Christian-Long Beach area under Captain and State Treasurer Greg Niolet. This team is looking at a certification date of June 1992.

As of this date, 42 First Degree Exemplifications have been reported to me. Unfortunately the Supreme Council does not list us with this number. We must make sure that all District Deputies file the proper forms with the Supreme Office and keep track of their submission. Sending the form to Mr. Ron Tracy will insure our jurisdiction credit.

As of this report, we have had 7 Second-Third Degrees performed in our jurisdiction. They were:

- August 18, 1991: Biloxi-New Orleans team
- November 10, 1991: Pass Christian-Pascagoula team
- November 17, 1991: Clarksdale-Memphis team
- January 19, 1992: Brandon-Pascagoula team
- February 9, 1992: Vicksburg-Baton Rouge team
- March 15, 1992: Tupelo-Delta team
- March 29, 1992: Gulfport-New Orleans team

We are planning two more degrees this fraternal year with Meridian on May 31, 1992, with the Delta team being the next scheduled degree. In June we look forward to the Pass Christian-Long Beach team at a site to be announced.

I would like to thank P.S.D. Wiley Price for his help in ceremonials. This is an area we can truly be proud of this year.

INSURANCE

Our Order's greatest fraternal benefit, our insurance program, reached new heights this year by receiving a AAA superior rating from Standard and Poor rating firm. The Knight's insurance in force now totals 20 billion dollars. We as Knights, although supportive, need to overcome the phobia we have about insurance and insurance salesmen. We need to support our General Agent and field agents. In my

mind, we all should own a piece of the KC no matter how small. In a way it is our extra donation to the good of the Order.

I want to thank all our agents for their support this year. We need you involved in all aspects of membership and New Council Development. A special warm welcome to new field agent Deacon Larry Campbell of Southaven. Please give him your support.

While I am mentioning our tremendous insurance program, I cannot avoid referring to the regretful events which have unfolded recently against our Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant. As most of you know, a former agent of the Order, who will go unnamed, in Illinois has set out on a campaign of vengeance against our Order. In a report given to the National Catholic Reporter, he compared us to the United Way of America and questioned the salaries of our Supreme Knight, State Officers, and Board of Directors. Let me point out a few facts:

1. Not one cent of money raised by our Councils for charity goes to the Supreme Office or to the Supreme Knight's salary.
2. We are an enormous insurance corporation with 20 billion dollars of insurance in force.
3. Our Supreme Knight has 26 years of experience with our order:
 - (a) 10 years as Supreme Secretary
 - (b) 15 years as Supreme Knight
4. Under his leadership:
 - (a) Revenue has increased 593% or 6.9 times from 1976 to 1991
 - (b) 20 billion dollars of insurance in force compared to 3.6 billion in 1976
 - (c) Assets of 3.5 billion in 1991 compared to 656 million in 1976, an increase of 434%
 - (d) Dividends of 157.7 million in 1991 compared to 17.5million in 1976, an increase of 801%

I invest in the Knights of Columbus Insurance Plan. My future and the future of my family is with the Knights of Columbus. Yes, gentlemen, I put my money where my mouth is. I want competent men to handle my future and I suspect you do too. Men of this caliber must be paid salaries comparable to other insurance corporations.

I resent the implications made to our Supreme Knight, Supreme Officers, and Board of Directors. I know you do too. I ask you to give me and our Supreme Representative, Newman Flannigan, a sign. Do the Knights of the Mississippi Jurisdiction support our Supreme Officers and Board of Directors? Thank you, gentlemen. Supreme Director Flannigan, please convey the support of the Mississippi Jurisdiction to our Supreme Knight.

SUPREME COUNCIL AWARDS

During the past year the Supreme Council Awards were presented for 1990-1991. I am pleased to say that 36 of our 45 active Councils received awards or 80%. The following Councils received awards:

Star Council (15 Councils)

1244 - Biloxi	8054 - McComb
2180 - Laurel	8285 - Jackson, St. Theresa
4472 - Pass Chrisitan	9124 - Gautier
4898 - Long Beach	9543 - Madison
5556 - Cleveland	9958 - Lizana
5654 - Ocean Springs	10216 - Brandon
6765 - Starkville	10499 - Ocean Springs
7120 - Southaven	Msgr. Gregory Kennedy

Columbian Award (15 Councils)

802 - Meridian	2969 - Clarksdale
898 - Vicksburg	5267 - Greenwood
1034 - Natchez	7087 - Kiln
1522 - Bay St. Louis	7915 - Brookhaven
1583 - Gulfport	8038 - Pearl
1605 - Pascagoula	9094 - North Biloxi
2134 - Greenville	9409 - West Biloxi
2945 - Leland	

Founders Award (6 Councils)

1908 - Hattiesburg	8848 - Tupelo
2945 - Leland	9234 - Indianola
8038 - Pearl	9673 - Woolmarket

Father McGivney (13 Councils)

898 - Vicksburg	7915 - Brookhaven
1034 - Natchez	8848 - Tupelo
1583 - Gulfport	8912 - Corinth
1908 - Hattiesburg	9094 - North Biloxi
5267 - Greenwood	9409 - West Biloxi
6872 - Picayune	9673 - Woolmarket
7087 - Kiln	

I congratulate all of you on this effort and hope to see this list increase.

It was pleasing to see 31 of 45 or 69% of our active councils meet the 5% net gain "Discovery" membership quota for 1991. The Councils received a beautiful 14" replica of the Cross of the New World. These Councils are:

802 - Meridian	7910 - Gulfport-Orange Grove
898 - Vicksburg	7915 - Brookhaven
1244 - Biloxi	8038 - Pearl
1583 - Gulfport	8054 - McComb
1908 - Hattiesburg	8285 - Jackson, St. Theresa
2180 - Laurel	8760 - Holly Springs
2969 - Clarksdale	8848 - Tupelo
4472 - Pass Christian	9094 - North Biloxi
4898 - Long Beach	9124 - Gautier
5267 - Greenwood	9409 - West Biloxi
5556 - Cleveland	9543 - Madison
5654 - Ocean Springs	9958 - Lizana
6765 - Starkville	10216 - Brandon
6872 - Picayune	10443 - Grenada
7087 - Kiln	10499 - Ocean Springs
7120 - Southaven	

We also had two District Deputies receive the Cross for conducting and reporting an equal number of First Degree Exemplifications to the number of Councils in their district. Those two individuals were DD #4 Roy Patterson and DD #9 Jack Cunningham. We congratulate all the Councils and DDs.

In the Contest of Champions for 1991, Council 10216 Brandon won the overall percentage award with

a 1,300% increase and Council 1244 Biloxi won the net gain with 33 new members. This was an outstanding performance in both instances.

A highlight for the Mississippi Jurisdiction was the third place showing in the 1990-1991 International Service Program Award by Council 6872 Oscar J. Gelpi Council. Its project titled "Renovation of St. Charles Parish" placed third in the category of Church Activity. We all owe Council 6872 and Past Grand Knight Floyd J. Naquin a round of applause.

Many awards are subject to the submission of forms necessary, not only for Supreme Awards, but for the everyday function of the State Council. While most of our councils are punctual with their reports, we still have difficulty with some councils in submission of forms. Part of the position of leadership is reliability. Your State Deputy and District Deputies should not have to beg you to submit mandatory forms. Please make an effort to submit forms 365 (Service Program Personnel), 1728 (Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities), 1295 (Semi-annual Council Audits), and 185 (Report of Officers) as well as all other forms on time.

QUINCENTENNIAL

At the Supreme Convention in St. Louis, I was presented with a "Cross of the New World" to take back to the Mississippi Jurisdiction for the Sacred Journey through our State. A cross was then sent to us to allow for one in each Diocese. It was up to me to appoint two men who would schedule the Cross on its journey, no small task. The two men I called upon accepted this challenge at the first request despite other pressing duties. Deacon Larry Campbell, a Mental Retardation Co-Chairman and now Quincentennial Chariman and KC insurance agent, accepted the challenge for the Jackson Diocese. John Szymonik, Priest Education Chairman for the Biloxi Diocese and Church Director for the State, accepted the challenge for the Biloxi Diocese. I cannot thank these men and the District Deputies who helped to move the Cross enough. Gentlemen, you have my sincere thanks.

Time does not allow me to mention everyone, but I also want to thank our State Program Director Larry Tabor and the six State Directors for their efforts this year. I also want to thank all the State Chairmen who labored so hard for the Knights of Columbus.

STATE OFFICERS AND DISTRICT DEPUTIES

As I close, I want to thank my fellow State Officers. Their loyalty to me and their hard labor for the Knights of Columbus have set the tone for the future. These men in time will lead us to further heights. To my ten District Deputies, I owe much. If a jurisdiction is to be successful, the District Deputies must be exceptional. This year 50% of our District Deputies were first year DDs. With a year of experience, I look for great things from them in the near future.

CONCLUSION

During my stewardship of the Knights of Columbus this year, I have attempted to set a tone for our organization. All my dealings within the Order have been above-board and I have been totally honest with you. I have done my best to bring harmony and direction to our honorable Order. I have traveled extensively, being gone on KC business 86% of the weekend days in 1992 alone. I appreciate the manner in which my family and I have been treated by the host councils and at all the functions we attended. Leadership to me is making sense out of confusion, staying focused on goals despite outside turmoil, and following the example of only one leader, Jesus Christ.

Gentlemen, there are Jurisdictions that have more Knights, but none that have any better Knights than sit in this room. We will never reach our potential until we believe this and pass it on to other Knights and would-be-Knights. Our greatest enemy is ourselves. We must rid ourselves of internal strife and petty arguments. We are not just any organization, but a Fraternity of Catholic Gentlemen and Catholic Families. There is no higher honor.

Dale Carnegie made the statement, "Any fool can criticize, condemn, and complain - and most do." Do not be a destroyer of dreams, but a builder of vision and hope. Support and love each other as Father McGivney would have wanted us to do.

As I close, I want to thank the Clarksdale Msgr. James T. McKenna Council 2969 for all the support it has given me over the years. I would also like to thank Brothers Emilio Zepponi and the late Tony Antici PGK for the ultimate gift - asking me to become a Knight of Columbus. The Clarksdale Council will always be special to me.

My remarks today, as well as my life, would be incomplete if I did not mention the support of my wife Regina. I remember a quote from Mignon McLaughlin which stated "A successful marriage requires falling in love many times, always with the same person." The Lord has blessed me in this respect. As we approach our 23rd wedding anniversary, I thank God for the wife who has truly become a "KC Wife."

I must apologize to my sons, Sean and Ryan, for the times I was not home to throw the football or be present at a party. I only hope that one day they will understand what this journey was all about and that they will honor us by becoming "men they call Knights."

I will close with a question that my youngest son asked me at this time last year. After I was elected State Deputy, he approached me and asked, "If you had not won the election, would you be just a Knight of Columbus?" I laughed at that and explained the situation as well as I could. But then I thought about that statement "just a Knight of Columbus." If we men could just live our lives in the spirit of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. If we could just live up to the ideals of Father McGivney. If we could just live up to what we preach in our ceremonials. If we could do that, then on our day of Judgment, I honestly believe the Lord will determine that being "Just a Knight" will be "Just enough" for eternal happiness. God bless you and God bless the Knights of Columbus.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley Swentkowski
State Deputy

STATE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Status of membership by Council in Mississippi as of April 1, 1992, as compared with totals of April 1, 1991. Also noted are the deceased members per Council. Figures are based on the monthly report of membership from Supreme Council.

Council	1991	1992	Increase	Decrease	Deceased
802 Meridian	167	179	10		3
848 Jackson	109	103		6	1
898 Vicksburg	284	294	10		5
1034 Natchez	218	219	1		2
1244 Biloxi	421	409		12	6
1522 Bay St. Louis	188	172		16	7
1583 Gulfport	391	409	18		5
1605 Pascagoula	304	293		11	3
1908 Hattiesburg	115	117	2		0
2134 Greenville	179	172		7	0
2180 Laurel	103	108	5		0

2945 Leland	68	66		2	0
2969 Clarksdale	251	263	12		0
3328 Yazoo City	51	50		1	0
4472 Pass Christian	42	48	6		1
4898 Long Beach	151	165	14		0
5267 Greenwood	83	82		1	0
5556 Cleveland	124	130	6		0
5654 Ocean Springs	147	150	3		0
6555 Shelby	43	43		2	
6592 Bassfield	85	80		5	0
6765 Starkville	40	37		3	1
6872 Picayune	66	72	6		0
7087 Kiln	63	63		2	
7120 Southaven	54	59	5		1
7211 Lumberton	46	42		4	1
7854 Clinton	52	51		1	1
7910 Gulfport OG	50	69	19	0	
7915 Brookhaven	58	67	9		1
7974 Columbus	65	64		1	0
8038 Pearl	52	55		3	0
8054 McComb	63	63		0	
8285 Jackson, St. Therese	71	73	2		1
8760 Holly Springs	33	33	0		
8848 Tupelo	84	102	18	0	
8912 Corinth	37	34		3	0
9094 North Biloxi	71	85	14		0
9124 Gautier	77	80	3		0
9234 Indianola	38	37		1	0
9409 West Biloxi	82	96	14		1
9537 West Point	30	30		0	
9543 Meridian	101	117	16		0
9673 Woolmarket	58	61	3		0
9958 Lizana	49	52	3		0
10216 Brandon	48	58	10		0
10443 Grenada	27	27		1	
10449 Msgr. Kennedy					
Ocean Springs	34	68	34		0
Total:	4973	5145	246	74	47

A total net gain of 172 members is shown by this report. Included are 1801 insurance members and 3344 associate members. Also included in these totals are 135 honorable members, 437 honary life members, and 319 inactive members. Included in this report are 47 deceased members reported by their Councils since the last convention.

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

Meridian	802	Drennen R. Smith
		Jackson Isaac
		John B. Crowe, PGK

Jackson	848	Rev. Anthony C. Bourges
Vicksburg	898	David Dicks Lavern Grayson Patrick Gordon Michael Leo William Sadler
Natchez	1034	William G. Hughes Thomas L. Piazza
Biloxi	1244	Albert Ragusin Otis A. Stamant Rev. Patrick Martin James W. Clinton Jerry A. Pincich, Jr. Cyril A. Washer, Jr.
Bay St. Louis	1522	Peter C. Faucetta Alvin F. Lebreton Albert L. Mercier Manuel Perre Grant Tingstrom Clois Dedreaux Anthony Scavo
Gulfport	1583	William A. St. Assant A. J. Stegall Arthur J. Atherton Urain Cuevas Eldridge A. Helwick Walter J. Garriga, Sr.
Pascagoula	1605	W. R. "Bill" McFaul Phillip Scordino, Sr. Elmer Gutherz Msgr. Eamon T. Mullen O'Neil F. Poitevin
Pass Christian	4472	John Knips
Shelby	6555	Charlie Mengerelli Martin Letchworth Eleo Tarzi
Bassfield	6592	David Bryant
Starkville	6765	Ed Couvillion
Kiln	7087	Vernn R. Haas Ares J. Hoda, Sr.

Southaven	7120	James L. Higgins, PGK, FDD
Lumberton	7211	N. J. Labiche
Clinton	7854	Terry Atkins
Brookhaven	7915	Harry A. Buckenberger
Jackson, St. Therese	8285	Larry Boyer, PGK, PFN
West Biloxi	9409	Howard Westman
Grenada	10443	Joe Corbett

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Zettler
State Secretary

STATE TREASURER'S REPORT
(7-1-91 to 4-1-92)

Cash Received:

Initial Deposit	9,077.07
Donations: Mag. Knight	50.00
Niolet and Lott	20.00
Advertisement Mag. Knight	25.00
Subscription Mag. Knight	4.50
Reimbursements Swentkowski	221.00
Interest Income	350.23
School of Columbianism Meals	1,190.00
Per Capita Tax	29,191.40
TOTAL	\$ 40,129.20

Expenditures:

Columbus of Mississippi Advance	300.00
Bank Check Charges	54.65
Magnolia Knight	780.58
Mid-Winter Meeting Mileage	717.40
Minute Book Printing	2,125.00
New Council Development	53.56
School of Columbianism Meals and Mileage	1,356.88
Summer Meeting Mileage	1,395.08
Supreme Delegates Expense	432.00
Free Throw Trophies	150.10
Executive Secretary	447.84
State Deputy Administrative Expense	837.27
State Chairman Expense	2,863.50
State Officers Expense	6,229.12
TOTAL	\$ 17,750.98

STATE TREASURER'S REPORT
Financial Statement - Account 02-6022715

Receipts	\$40,129.20
Expenditures	17,750.98
Checking Account Balance 4-1-92	22,378.22

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Niolet
State Treasurer

STATE ADVOCATE'S REPORT

Brother Knights, it is a pleasure for me to be with you again.

My official activities as State Advocate began on the first day of the Fraternal Year. On July 1, 1991, House Bills #72 and #74 went into effect and became the law in the State of Mississippi. As your State Advocate, it was my responsibility to keep you informed and to determine how these two Bills would affect the Mississippi State Council.

After consultation with the legal counsel for the Secretary of State's Office, we determined that House Bill #72 was designed to require registration and reporting by those charitable organizations that use paid solicitors to seek contributions from the public. We felt that the Mississippi State Council qualified for an exemption under this law, so we filed a Statement of Exemption form with the Secretary of State's Office on behalf of the Mississippi State Council.

House Bill #74 provides for the regulation of Bingo games. Since this is a matter of great importance to many of our councils, I supplied a copy of this bill to all of the councils throughout the Mississippi Jurisdiction. This Bill requires, among other things, that any organization conducting Bingo games have on file with the State Tax Commission, a letter of exemption issued by the United States Internal Revenue Service. After obtaining permission from the Mississippi State Tax Commission, I filed a Letter of Exemption from the Internal Revenue Service which not only fulfilled this requirement for the Mississippi State Council, but also for all of our local councils.

This Bill also requires organizations conducting Bingo games to file quarterly reports with the State Tax Commission. I supplied a copy of the quarterly report form to all of our councils, so that those conducting Bingo games would have it for their use and the other councils would have it for their information.

At the Supreme Convention, which was held in August in St. Louis, MO., resolutions were adopted to raise the monetary limit of SEC. 122(b) Council Funds of the Charter, Constitution, and Laws of the Knights of Columbus from \$100.00 to \$200.00. After the convention, I promptly composed a letter and mailed a copy to each council informing you of this by-law change.

During the entire Fraternal Year, I have worked closely with our local councils on a wide range of issues.

In dispensing my official duties as State Advocate, my first allegiance, as always, has been to the Order and to you, my Brother Knights. In addition to official duties, I think that the most important responsibility of a State Officer is to be a good representative for the Knights of Columbus.

Because I wanted to be a good representative for you, I attended the Installation of Officer ceremonies for 17 of our councils. I attended all of the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications held in our state, and the Cross of the New World ceremony in Jackson as well as numerous local council functions.

I helped conduct membership drives in several of our councils and I assisted in conducting organizational drives in Oxford and Philadelphia where new councils are presently being formed.

I also had the privilege of working with the good men of my home council in Greenwood and District Deputy Terry Lott who enthusiastically accepted the challenge of forming a much needed 2nd and 3rd Degree team.

After several months of hard work, we performed a dynamite exemplification in Tupelo and were certified by Brother Sam Dambroccia, the Director of Ceremonials for the Knights of Columbus.

Brothers, I work to promote the Knights of Columbus because I know that there is no group of Christian men more dedicated to God and the care of those in need than you, my Brother Knights.

Recently, the reputation of our Order and the Supreme Knight was challenged in an article printed in both *Mississippi Today* and the *Gulf Pines Catholic*.

This was a matter of great concern to me. I want the Catholic people of our state to appreciate the good men of the Knights of Columbus as I do and I do not want the people that depend on us to suffer because of an undeserved shadow of doubt cast upon our Order.

After reading these articles, Brothers, I could hardly wait to respond on behalf of our Order. I composed a letter and sent it to the *Mississippi Today* and the *Gulf Pines Catholic*. In it, I informed the readers how you united together as Brother Knights to raise over 3.6 million through the Tootsie Roll Campaign which has been used to brighten the lives of thousands of mentally retarded children throughout the State of Mississippi. I told them about our Priest Education Fund through which the Knights have raised over \$600,000.00 for the education of the future priests of our state. And I informed the readers that a true Knight's compensation for all of the work that he performs is in the knowledge that by serving those in need and our Catholic Church, he is serving Our Lord and growing closer in his relationship with God.

I could have stopped there, but the Catholic people of Mississippi needed to know that our Supreme Knight has given us excellent leadership, especially with our insurance program through which you and I and the other members of the Knights of Columbus donated over 94 million dollars to charity last year alone.

Is that hard to match? Brothers, if you were to go back and check, you would find that the Knights of Columbus donated far more than any other organization of its kind.

I'm proud to be a Brother Knight. The Knights of Columbus is precious to me and I consider it a privilege and an honor to serve as your State Advocate.

Vivat Jesus,

Jesse J. Quinn, III
State Advocate

STATE WARDEN'S REPORT

Brothers, first I want to sincerely thank you for the honor and pleasure of allowing me to serve you this year as your State Warden. I appreciate your confidence in me.

This past year has truly been a learning experience. Without going into detail, I want to assure you that I have attended all of the state meetings, tournaments, exemplifications, and other required functions. When my wife's work schedule would allow, Lisa would always attend, eagerly at my side. I feel so blessed to have such a supportive wife.

Lisa and I have also attended other functions throughout the state we were invited to when our work obligations would allow, not merely to be present and be accounted for, but more importantly, to meet each of you and your families and truly share in this brotherhood of love we call the Knights of Columbus.

I would be remiss if I did not also thank my father and father-in-law who often traveled many miles and late hours with me. These two special gentlemen exemplify in many ways what it means to be a father by the way they share their love unconditionally. I am truly blessed.

Sunday, April 26, 1992 is the beginning of National Volunteers week. Once again our convention coincides with this celebration honoring volunteers throughout our nation. This year's theme is "Volunteers...at the Heart of Change."

I can not help but think back 500 years ago when Columbus was at the heart of change in his world. A volunteer of sorts, he was dedicated to completing his destiny, dedicated to finding new lands and new people, and dedicated to spreading Christianity to these new people. Not only was he a discoverer, Columbus was also an evangelist.

We, the Columbuses of our time, must be at the heart of change in our world. We must continue the mission started by Columbus 500 years ago.

Brothers, to you I pledge to continue to learn and to be assertive, so that I might better serve the Mississippi Jurisdiction in whatever future capacity I might be asked to do.

Again, thank you for allowing me to serve this year as your State Warden.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy S. Todaro, Jr.
State Warden

IMMEDIATE PAST STATE DEPUTY'S REPORT

This year I attended all the meetings and functions of the State Council. In the effort of saving time, these dates and functions will not be listed.

It has been a pleasure and an honor to serve the Mississippi Jurisdiction as Immediate Past State Deputy for the past year. On behalf of my wife and myself, I thank you very much.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin L. Lott
Immediate Past State Deputy

GENERAL AGENT'S REPORT

Your Excellency, Worthy State Chaplain, Worthy State Officers, Worthy District Deputies, Worthy Field Agents, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy Delegates, and my Brother Knights: Will Rogers once said, "an economist is a man who can tell you what can happen under any given set of circumstances and his guess is liable to be as good as anyone else's."

Brothers, the Knights of Columbus had another banner year in 1991. Each year has been better than the last.

1. Life Insurance written.....	\$ 3,181,782,521
2. Annuity Premium of.....	148,864,715
3. Insurance in force.....	19,887,880,052
4. This represents a net gain of..... for the year, after all death claims, matured endowments, and surrenders.	2,052,326,574
5. Total assets during calendar year 1991 increased by.....	420,779,868
6. Reaching an all time high of.....	3,525,806,236
7. Premium income amounted to.....	475,359,833
8. Benefits paid to beneficiaries and members' death claims, maturities, annuities, etc. Amounted to.....	67,049,143
9. Insurance members shared in the largest declaration of dividends ever announced.....	157,740,968

We have a couple of changes since our last convention. Our present Agency Force consists of:

1. Michael T. Leieux: since 01/01/85
2. Fred Ward: since 01/01/86
3. Jerry Woods: since 03/01/86
4. Christopher Corrubba: since 06/01/90
5. Lawrence Campbell: since 01/01/92

These are the men who wrote 487 life policies in Mississippi to help take care of our loved ones. These agents wrote \$18,908,000 volume in 1991. I will be adding another field agent in Mississippi just as soon as I can train him.

The Knights of Columbus insurance company has the highest rating available by two different companies. A.M. Best rates us A-plus and Standard and Poor rates us AAA. This means we have the strength and stability to pay claims.

Speaking about our economy reminds me of the conversation overheard outside a classroom at one of our great universities. The student questioned his teacher, "Do you mean to tell me that the freest, fairest, and most productive economic system known to mankind is based on private ownership and the profit motive?" The teacher responded, "That's right, it is called free enterprise." Then the student asked, "But isn't there some solution to this?"

Fraternally

Henry Mosco, FIC.
General Agent

QUINCENTENNIAL REPORT

My report on the Quincentennial will focus on the progress of the Quincentennial Cross program for the Diocese of Jackson. To date the Cross has been present at 20 different programs viewed by over 6,300 individuals. The first of these was on September 14, 1991, at St. Peter's Cathedral in Jackson. Our Bishop requested that the Cross of the New World be circulated throughout the diocese by Deanery.

At this time the Cross has journeyed through three of the six Deaneries in the diocese and is currently traveling through a fourth. We anticipate that the remaining two Deanery visitations will be completed by the end of the summer.

Additionally, the Diocese of Jackson has planned six area convocations on Evangelization. Two of these convocations have already been held, one in Walls, MS, and the other in McComb, MS. The four remaining convocations will be held at locations yet to be named between now and 1993.

The Diocese has asked the Knights of Columbus to maintain possession of the Cross until this time and be responsible for seeing that the Cross be available for the four remaining convocations. This would require our consent as my understanding was that the New World Cross Program would conclude on or about Columbus Day 1992. It is my recommendation that we honor this request from the Diocese.

Circulating the Cross through Deaneries has resulted in some procedural difficulties since the boundaries for the Deaneries do not correspond with the boundaries of the six District Deputies assigned to the Cross program. The District Deputies were to coordinate with the Dean in each area to facilitate Cross programs in all parishes of the diocese, not just those with the Knights of Columbus Councils. However, not every Dean shared our Bishop's enthusiasm for this program. As a result, many parishes without councils have not participated.

With regard to Columbus Day 1992, I would suggest that we make an all out effort to promote our Supreme Knight's address on tape and in print throughout the Jurisdiction. Additionally, I would hope that we would have a major Columbus Day celebration somewhere in the state on the weekend of the Columbus Day holiday.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence M. Campbell

The second business session was adjourned at 11:46 a.m. with a prayer by former State Chaplain Father Frank Cocoran.

MENTAL RETARDATION REPORT

The 1991 Mental Retardation Drive for the State of Mississippi was extremely successful. Funds donated to the Mississippi Foundation totalled \$81,006.62. Additionally, State and Federal matching funds totalled \$115,263.16. Since its inception, the Mental Retardation Drive has contributed \$3,795,486.62 to the mentally retarded of our state. With the assistance of the councils within your Jurisdiction, our contributions may exceed four million dollars after this year's drive. Let's all work together to make this a reality.

Perhaps this would be a good time to remember the lesson of charity contained within the First Degree. We as members of the Knights of Columbus have a duty to assist the less fortunate. No group could be more worthy of our service than the special persons handicapped by mental retardation. Let us make the dream of our founder, Father Michael McGivney, a reality by giving our best to this year's drive. Each and every council should dedicate itself to working for the cause by mobilizing Brother Knights and their families and their parish communities for the effort. In closing, I feel a certain clarification needs to be made. One hundred percent of the funds raised through the Mental Retardation Drive in the Mississippi Jurisdiction, less expenses (Tootsie Rolls, aprons, supplies, and postage), remains in the State of Mississippi to benefit the mentally retarded of the state.

Respectfully,

Lawrence M. Campbell

The **third business session** was opened at 2:35 p.m. by State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski. The prayer was given by former State Chaplain Father Frank Corcoran and the Pledge of Allegiance by Master of the Fourth Degree Norman Kiehm.

1992 STATE CONVENTION MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT

Name	Office	Miles	Mileage X 20	Per Diem 2X\$45	Total
State Officers					
Rev. F. Corcoran	For.St.Chap.	70	\$ 14.00	\$ 90.00	\$104.00
Stan Swentkowski	St.Dep.	216	43.20	90.00	133.20
Tom Zettler	St.Sec.	192	38.40	90.00	133.20
Greg Niolet	St.Trea.	209	41.80	90.00	131.80
Jesse Quinn III	St.Adv.	177	34.40	90.00	124.40
Guy Todaro Jr.	St.Warden	226	45.20	90.00	135.20
Marvin Lott	Immed. PSD	180	36.00	90.00	126.00
Subtotal		1262	\$253.00	\$630.00	\$883.00
Past State Deputies					
Dennis Ladnier Sr	PSD			\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00
Wiley Price Jr.	PSD			90.00	90.00
Robert Fratesi	PSD			90.00	90.00
Rodney J. Sandoz	PSD	Not Present			
David Attenberry	PSD	Not Present			
Jesse J. Quinn Jr.	PSD			90.00	90.00
George Scheiderman	PSD	Not Present			
William F. LaForge	PSD	Not Present			
Norman L. Kiehm	PSD			90.00	90.00
Fred L. Westbrook Jr.	PSD			90.00	90.00
Ely P. Shapley	PSD	Not Present			
John P. Myers	PSD			90.00	90.00
Subtotal				\$630.00	\$630.00
State Directors					
Roy Patterson	Membership	102	\$ 20.40	\$ 90.00	\$110.40
Larry Tabor	Program	Pd as D.D.			
John Szymonik	Church	Not Present			
James Yaggi	Community	147	29.40	90.00	119.40
Leroy Herbert	Council	Pd Del.			
John Bennett	Family	192	38.40	90.00	128.40
Charles Underwood	Youth	199	39.80	90.00	129.80
Subtotal		640	\$128.00	\$360.00	\$488.00
District Deputies					
Gene Ingram	DD 1	272	\$ 54.40	\$ 90.00	\$ 144.40
Victor Aguzzi Jr	DD 2	180	36.00	90.00	126.00
Terry Lott	DD 3	168	36.00	90.00	126.00
Lew Zilka	DD 4	Pd Del			
Richard Benton	DD 5	Not Present			
Joe Bonfiglio	DD 6	62	12.40	90.00	102.40
Joe Harvey	DD 7	147	29.40	90.00	119.40
Ray Billeaud Jr.	DD 8	210	42.00	90.00	132.00
Jack Cunningham	DD 9	205	41.00	90.00	131.00
Larry Tabor	DD 10	201	40.20	90.00	130.20
Subtotal		1445	\$289.00	\$720.00	\$1009.00

Council	Miles	Mileage X 20	Per Diem 2 X \$45	Subtotal	Total
802	192	\$ 38.40	\$ 90.00	\$ 128.40	\$ 256.80
848	102	20.40	90.00	110.40	220.00
898	70	14.00	90.00	104.00	208.00
1034	0	0	90.00	90.00	180.00
1244	205	41.00	90.00	131.00	262.00
1522	201	40.20	90.00	130.20	260.40
1583	199	39.80	90.00	129.80	259.60
1605	226	45.20	90.00	135.20	270.40
1908	139	27.80	90.00	117.80	235.60
2134	154	30.80	90.00	120.80	241.60
2180	147	29.40	90.00	119.40	238.80
2945	153	30.60	90.00	120.60	241.20
2969	216	43.20	90.00	133.20	266.40
3328	In Moratorium				
4472	209	41.60	90.00	131.80	263.60
4898	194	38.80	90.00	128.80	257.60
5267	172	34.40	90.00	124.40	248.80
5556	180	36.00	90.00	126.00	252.00
5654	208	41.60	90.00	131.60	263.20
6555	195	39.00	90.00	129.00	258.00
6592	111	22.20	90.00	112.20	224.40
6765	226	45.20	90.00	135.20	270.40
6872	177	35.40	90.00	125.40	250.80
7087	210	42.00	90.00	132.00	264.00
7120	284	56.80	90.00	146.00	293.60
7211	Not Present				
7854	92	18.40	90.00	108.40	216.80
7910	199	39.80	90.00	129.80	259.60
7915	62	12.40	90.00	102.40	204.80
7940	Not Present				
8038	111	22.20	90.00	112.20	224.40
8054	68	13.60	90.00	103.60	207.20
8285	102	20.40	90.00	110.40	220.80
8760	286	57.20	90.00	147.20	294.40
8848	272	54.40	90.00	144.40	288.80
8912	320	64.00	90.00	154.00	308.00
9094	*201	40.20	90.00	130.20	130.20
9124	Not Present				
9234	168	33.60	90.00	123.60	247.20
9409	205	41.00	90.00	131.00	262.00
9537	In Moratorium				
9543	108	21.60	90.00	111.60	223.20
9673	203	40.60	90.00	130.60	261.20
9958	183	36.60	90.00	126.60	253.20
10216	111	22.20	90.00	112.20	224.40
10443	205	41.00	90.00	131.00	262.00
10499	208	41.60	90.00	131.60	263.20
Subtotal	7500	\$1500.00	\$3780.00	\$5234.80	\$10339.40

Subtotal from State officers.....	\$ 883.00
Subtotal from Past State Deputies.....	630.00
Subtotal from Committee Chairmen.....	488.00
Subtotal from District Deputies.....	1009.00
Subtotal from Convention Delegates.....	10339.40

Grand total Mileage and Per Diem.....\$13349.40

* Denotes one delegate

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Niolet, State Treasurer
Gordon Cowie, Bill Geohegan
Curtis Harrison, Jr., Adam DiLorenzo
Ed Futey, David Hughes

REPORT OF COLUMBUS OF MISSISSIPPI, INC.

The Columbus of Mississippi, Inc. Super Drawing held at our state Convention in Jackson, April 26, 27, 28, 1991, produced net proceeds of \$16,490.00. The proceeds were distributed as follows:

Saltillo Mission, Mexico.....	\$ 1000.00
Bro. Dominick's Youth Ministry, Jackson.....	750.00
McAuley Home for Sisters of Mercy, Vicksburg.....	1000.00
Parents of Oral Education of MS.....	300.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society, Laurel.....	300.00
Michelle Cooms Fund, Vicksburg.....	1000.00
Bishop William Houck, Jackson, for his charity.....	500.00
Bishop Joseph L. Howse, Biloxi, for his charity.....	500.00
Diaconate Fund, Diocese of Biloxi.....	1000.00
Terry DiAngelo Medical Fund, Gulfport.....	300.00
Right-to-Life 1-800 Hotline.....	1000.00
Right-to-Life fetal statues for each Diocese.....	140.00
Matt Devining Savings Bond.....	500.00
MS State Council Knights of Columbus.....	8200.00

Your Board of Directors has already dedicated \$1000.00 of the proceeds of our 1992 raffle to the Diocesan mission in Saltillo, Mexico. Again this year, your Board of Directors is asking all councils to give input as to the distribution of this year's proceeds. If you have an idea as to who we should donate these proceeds to, please see a Board Member and let your ideas be known. These proceeds will be distributed at the summer meeting in Clarksdale.

Respectfully submitted,

Greg Niolet
Pres. Columbus of MS

REPORT OF COLUMBUS OF MISSISSIPPI, INC

As president of Columbus of Mississippi Incorporated, it is my privilege to report to you, my Brother Knights, the status of our 1992 Super Drawing. As of 7:00 p.m., Friday, April 24, 398 tickets had been sold to our Super Drawing. 66% of the total tickets were sold. The Grand Prize was won by Ronnie Aguzzi of Cleveland. The 20 cash prizes were prorated and each prize was worth \$200.00. I thank all members who sold tickets and congratulate all winners. A chart has been enclosed with this report which shows what each Council was able to accomplish with their ticket sales.

The financial report has not been completed at this time. A full report will be given at the mid-summer meeting and also at the School of Columbianism. Again on behalf of the Board of Directors of Columbus of Mississippi Incorporated, I would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Super Drawing.

Fraternally,

Greg Niolet
President

REPORT OF COLUMBUS OF MISSISSIPPI SUPER DRAWING

		Tickets Issued	Tickets Sold
802	Meridian	12	9
848	Jackson	12	1
898	Vicksburg	12	10
1034	Natchez	12	12
1244	Biloxi	12	12
1522	Bay St. Louis	12	17
1583	Gulfport	12	20
1605	Pascagoula	12	21
1908	Hattiesburg	12	1
2134	Greenville	12	12
2180	Laurel	12	6
2945	Leland	12	8
2969	Clarksdale	12	12
4472	Pass Christian	12	12
4898	Long Beach	12	12
5267	Greenwood	12	7
5556	Cleveland	13	14
5654	Ocean Springs	12	5
6555	Shelby	12	2
6592	Bassfield	12	6
6765	Starkville	12	5
6872	Picayune	12	4
7087	Kiln	12	4
7120	Southaven	12	0
7211	Lumberton	12	0
7854	Clinton	12	0
7910	Orange Grove	12	9
7915	Brookhaven	12	12

7974	Columbus	12	0
8038	Pearl	12	4
8054	McComb	12	7
8285	Jackson St. Therese	12	12
8760	Holly Springs	12	6
8848	Tupelo	12	4
8912	Corinth	12	1
9094	North Biloxi	12	4
9124	Gautier	12	0
9234	Indianola	12	17
9409	West Biloxi	12	4
9543	Madison	12	3
9673	Woolmarket	12	5
9958	Lizana	12	6
10216	Brandon	12	12
10443	Grenada	12	3
10499	Ocean Springs St. Elizabeth	12	12
	Stan Swentkowski	6	6
	Tom Zettler	6	6
	Greg Niolet	6	8
	Jesse Quinn III	5	5
	Guy Todaro	6	6
	Marvin Lott	5	11
	Dennis Ladnier	5	5
	Chris Carrubba	5	5
	Larry Tabor	5	3
	Richard Hoda	5	5
	Pat Myers	5	5
	Totals	600	398

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOUNDATION AUDIT REPORT

Our committee found the books of the Foundation were in good order and well kept. There are no recommendations to be made.

Audit of the Tootsie Roll account on following page.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AUDIT REPORT

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

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Myers, PSD
Richard Hoda
Hollis Moran
John Maher
Earl Bourgeois
Joseph Zoglman
Frank McManus

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOUNDATION AUDIT REPORT

Our committee found the books of the Foundation were in good order and well kept. There are no recommendations to be made.

The following is an audit of the Tootsie Roll account.

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance 4/1/91	5002.18		
Deposits	85513.91		
Interest	1180.82	91696.91	
Withdrawals		87000.00	
Balance 3/31/92			4696.91

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Check book balance 4/1/91	1638.42		
Deposits from Savings	87000.00	88638.42	
Checks written and cleared		58243.99	
Balance			30394.43
Less outstanding checks			28145.76
Check book balance 3/31/91			2248.67

BANK STATEMENT

Bank balance 4/1/91	1638.42		
Deposits	87000.00	88638.42	
Checks written and cleared		58243.99	
Bank balance			30394.43
Less outstanding checks			
No. 1982 Rolling Hills Nursing-Starkville	184.50		
No. 1983 Phillips Home - Starkville	369.00		
No. 2014 Singing River Ind.-Gautier	837.45		
No. 2021 Hancock Ind.-Bay St. Louis	1463.15		
No. 2022 Assn. for Retard.Cit.-Picayune	3750.00		
No. 2023 ARC of Forrest Co.-Hattiesburg	429.08		
No. 2024 Pine Belt Work Act.-Hattiesburg	127.76		
No. 2025 Pine Belt Work Act.-Hattiesburg	127.76		
No. 2026 Pine Belt Work Act.-Hattiesburg	255.53		
No. 2027 Insurance Mgmt. Co.-Hattiesburg	350.00		
No. 2028 Ms. Special Olympics-15 Areas	4500.00		
No. 2029 Christian Services Work Training	3751.53		
No. 2030 Sr. Carmelita Stinn-Internship	4000.00		
No. 2031 Sr. Carmelita Stinn-Internship	4000.00		
No. 2032 Sr. Carmelita Stinn-Internship	4000.00	28145.76	
Bank Balance 3/31/92			2248.67

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Myers, PSD - Chairman
Richard Hoda
Hollis Moran
John Maher
Earl Bourgeois
Joseph Zogelman
Frank McManus

GOOD OF THE ORDER REPORT

This committee met and presented these recommendations to the delegates and members:

1. The Good of the Order (in its true definition) does not consist of praying for the sick and deceased. It is part of the meeting that should be more exploited.
2. The Good of the Order should not be taken lightly and should not be omitted from the meeting agenda for the sake of time.
3. For the Good of the Order of the Knights of Columbus, that during this Quincentennial Year, that the Brother Knights pledge to witness at least on First Degree or major Exemplification and recommit themselves to the Principles of our Order.
4. That each Knight be encouraged to get an inactive Knight active again.

Respectfully submitted,

Claude Vinson, Sr., #8760
James Leatherwood, #8912
Thomas Corkern, #7915
Sonny Sucharski, #898
Andrew Mitchett, #1522
Guy S. Todaro, Jr., #1605
Sterling Peters, #7854
Joseph Bonfiglio, #7915

MINUTES OF FINANCIAL SECRETARIES' MEETING

Time: 1:00 P.M.

Financial Secretaries Present: 17

Guest: Newman Flanagan, Supreme Representative

Presiding: George F. Souderes, Jr.

Recorder: George F. Souderes, Jr.

The Financial Secretaries meeting was convened by Chariman George F. Souderes, Jr., Natchez Council 1034, at 1:00 P.M. The meeting was opened with a prayer and each Financial Secretary introduced himself and told what council he represented along with the number of years of service as the Financial Secretary.

Chairman Souderes told the attending Financial Secretaries about a Resolution that was presented to this Convention to reimburse the Financial Secretary for travel to State Council requested meetings. There was a discussion on the need for local council By-Laws, the Form 100 Supreme Council Membership Document, and the need of suspension of a delinquent member. Also discussed was the billing form and final notice form.

There was a discussion on the new pegboard system of record keeping and on the need to computerize our records and also to be compatible with Supreme Council computer. We want to have a standard for Knight of Columbus computers for the future of the Financial Secretaries who will come after us.

Respectfully submitted,

George F. Souderes, Jr.
Chairman

STATE CEREMONIAL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As State Ceremonial Chairman, I am privileged to report the Ceremonial Activities within the state for the 1991-1992 Fraternal Year.

Four 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications were scheduled for the first half of the fraternal year and six were scheduled for the second.

The Supreme Status Report of January 1, 1991, shows that four 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications were scheduled, but we received credit for two. Seventeen 1st Degree Exemplifications were performed in the state for the first half of the Fraternal year.

The Status Report of April 1, 1992, shows that six 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications were scheduled but we received credit for only three for the second half of the Fraternal Year. Twelve 1st Degrees were performed in the state.

For the State to receive credit for exemplifications performed in its jurisdiction, the proper report form must be submitted to the Supreme Office. Supreme obtains its information from the "District Deputy Exemplification Report," form 450. The host District Deputy is the one that has to submit form 450 to the Supreme Office.

I am proud to announce that the Mississippi Jurisdiction has another 2nd and 3rd Degree team. The Greenwood Team was certified March 15, 1992, in Tupelo, MS. Another 2nd and 3rd Degree team has been forming in Pass Christian, MS. The Pass Christian team is scheduled to be certified in June of 1992.

Two 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications were performed in March, one in Tupelo and the other in Gulfport. A 2nd and 3rd Degree is scheduled for May 31, 1992 in Meridian Council 802. The other is on the Mississippi Gulf Coast in June.

Now that we have two 2nd and 3rd Degree teams in the Jurisdiction, there will be less expense. Bringing in a team from another Jurisdiction is more expensive than using our own. The certification of the Pass Christian team will be a great help, but we still have a problem. The problem is that there is still only one 2nd and 3rd Degree team in the northern part of the state. The Greenwood council will be unable to bring its candidates to receive their 2nd and 3rd Degree. The only solution is that another team has to be formed, either in the central or northern part of the state. This will be our priority for the next Fraternal Year.

More 1st Degree teams should also be forming in the Jurisdiction. I know that small councils might have difficulty in forming a team, but the only way is to try.

Respectfully submitted,

Wiley Price, Jr., PSD
Chairman

CEREMONIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The 1991 Ceremonial Committee recommends the following:

1. That each council should form a First Degree Team.
2. That another 2nd and 3rd Degree Team be formed, either in the northern or central part of the state.
3. That the Dress Code for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degrees adopted at the 1985 Convention be strictly enforced to preserve the dignity of the ceremony. This requires dress pants, dress shirt, and dress shoes with coat and ties optional.
4. That all District Deputies who have Degree Exemplifications performed in their district submit Form 450, "District Deputy Exemplification Report," to the Supreme Council Office with copies to the State Deputy and State Ceremonial Chairman.
5. That all District Deputies submit Form 2408, "District Deputy Ceremonial Report," to the Supreme Director of Ceremonial with copies to the State Deputy and State Ceremonial Chairman.
6. That more members attend the Exemplifications being performed throughout the state, especially the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications.
7. That all members refrain from talking to the Ds when attending the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications. Let the Ds do their work.
8. That 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications be performed every 2 or 3 months. This time span is to allow councils to get more members.
9. That 1st Degree Exemplifications be performed at least one or two weeks before 2nd and 3rd Exemplifications.
10. That a fixed price for 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications be charged by Degree teams and be presented at the mid-winter meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Wiley Price, Jr., Chair
Members of the Committee

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

The Quincentennial of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus is but a few months off. Many councils of the Knights of Columbus throughout the Order are in the process of preparing various activities to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the introduction of Christianity into the Americas by Columbus.

Many are sponsoring essay contests while others are installing various billboards available from our Supreme Service Department in New Haven, CT.

The Knights from our sister state of Alabama are planing a big celebration for Columbus Day: the dedication of a 12-foot statue of Columbus on the campus of the University of Alabama in Birmingham along with a parade and banquet.

All 68 councils and 19 assemblies in the North Carolina Jurisdiction are to participate in a parade and outdoor Mass on October 17th in Columbus, NC. They will be led by the massed 4th Degree Color Guard of the state.

If you are having trouble deciding on some project, consult the newsletter "Destination Discovery" mailed out by our Supreme Service Department every other week. It is full of very worthwhile ideas.

Both before and after your Quincentennial projects, be sure to publicize them in all the media that are practical: newspapers, radio, tv, etc. We want the name of the Knights of Columbus and its purpose and projects to appear in the public eye as big and as often as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Norman L. Kiehm, PSD
Public Relations Chairman

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Public Relations Committee met and discussed "what" we have to publicize and "how" we are to publicize it.

It was determined that we first of all must start with each one of us ourselves. If we can not sell ourselves, then we have no hope in selling the Knights of Columbus. We should wear our name tags. We should wear t-shirts and jackets and caps that bear the K of C name. When we are out in the public, at our jobs, or doing community volunteer work such as on the school board, at the Rotary Club, or even on the golf course, let people know, one way or another, that we are members of the Knights of Columbus. By our good example, this will do more to sell the Knights of Columbus than anything else.

Start your P.R. work right in your own parish, especially in parishes where people may not understand too clearly the work of the K of C, or where the pastor may be a bit on the antagonistic side. Let your actions do your P.R. work.

Next, so to the media. Actually, every member must be a part of your Public Relations Committee. Have one member as your co-ordinator. Other members must get to know various members of the media and develop a certain rapport with them: sports editor, social editor, news editor, tv newsmen, etc. If this rapport has been established, then when that member approaches them with new releases, they will more likely be printed or broadcast on tv or radio.

The co-ordinator should review all news releases and edit them before submitting them to the media. Make sure the releases are completely written up. Just facts and figures will not do. Those working in the media do not have the time to write up your stories.

A word about the *Magnolia Knight*. Most on the committee feel it should go back to a monthly publication instead of a bi-monthly one--but only if all the councils and assemblies will feed the editor with news on a timely basis. We all see from the reports of this convention that there are many, many events and programs going on throughout the state, but that very few of them ever reach the desk of the editor.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Kiehm, Chair
Gordon Coker
David Longo
Tom Chady
Fred Spenser
Ben Bailly
David Malatesta

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Brother Knights, in December 1991, I accepted the position of State Membership Director, filling the unexpired term of Brother Mike Crandall. I am honored to have been asked to serve the Mississippi State Council in this most important way. Although I have held this post only a short time, I will attempt to provide an overview of the status of membership for the Mississippi Jurisdiction.

The "Top Proposer of the Month" program continues to serve as an excellent vehicle for recognition of those particular Knights who have been outstanding in membership recruitment. Each month this award is given to the individual who is the state's top proposer.

This includes readmissions, reactivations, reinstatements, and new members. The Top Proposer for the months of October 1991-March 1992 are as follows:

October: Greg Niolet, Council #4472
November: Audley Case, Council #1034
December: John Maloney, Council #802
January: Louis Zylka, Council #10216
February: Emilio Zeppoli, Council #2969
March (tie): Martin Finnegan, Council #10499
Thomas Monsany, Council #10499

It is most appropriate that a State Officer present the "Top Proposer" award to the winners. As Membership Director, I had the privilege of presenting this award to State Treasurer Niolet; Brothers Maloney, Case, Homsany, Finnegan; and District Deputy Louis Zylka at their home councils.

The various other membership award programs have been successful in promoting membership. The Supreme Council's "VIP" program, the "Top Gun Council Award," "Top Gun District" honor, and "Top Proposer of the Year" Programs encourage membership recruitment at all levels. All councils are also encouraged to support the Supreme Council "Discovery 500" campaign.

As Membership Director, I have committed to being a vital, visible player on the State Council team. When possible, I have attended State Council functions: "Top Proposer" presentations, Degree Exemplifications and individual council membership activities. Thus far in my short tenure, I have attended the following:

12-15-91: 1st Degree Exemplification in Natchez
01-06-92: "Top Proposer" presentation in Pass Christian
01-07-92: "Top Proposer" presentation in Meridian
01-11-92: State Convention meeting in Natchez
01-19-92: Degree Exemplification in Brandon
02-09-92: Degree Exemplification in Vicksburg
02-22-92: State Bowling tournament in Ocean Springs
02-22-92: Carnival Ball in Pascagoula
02-24-92: "Top Proposer" presentation in Natchez
02-29-92: New Council Development in Philadelphia
03-06-92: 1st Degree Exemplification in Philadelphia
03-11-92: "Top Proposer" presentation in Brandon
03-15-92: Degree Exemplification in Tupelo
03-22-92: New Council Development in Oxford
03-29-92: Degree Exemplification in Gulfport

I have corresponded with District Deputies, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries regarding membership. In these communications, I have offered my assistance with any membership recruitment events, Degrees and problems or questions about membership.

One appeal I wish again to make, especially to Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries, concerns the forwarding of form 100s. It is vital to the success of the "Top Proposer" program that these forms be sent to me in a timely manner. I appreciate the efforts of those Financial Secretaries who have sent in their form 100s.

The Mississippi Jurisdiction is currently ranked 2nd in both net membership gain and net percent gain. With several new councils in various stages of planning or development, great strides are being made in the growth of our organization.

Membership is the life force of the Knights of Columbus. Brother Knights, I call upon each one of you to make a personal commitment to yourself, to your council, and to the Order itself to continually promote and encourage membership. Through your earnest endeavors, the Mississippi Jurisdiction will continue to be a strong, successful force.

I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to State Deputy Stan Swentkowski and the State Officers for their confidence in me through this appointment. I look forward to serving the Mississippi State Council as Membership Director for the coming Fraternal Year.

Fraternally submitted,

Roy Patterson
Director

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. in the River Park Hotel Ballroom with the following members in attendance: General Agent Henry Mosco; Field Agents Fred Ward, Mike Leleux, Chris Carrubba, and Larry Campbell; Grand Knights James Rossetti, Bruce Pabon, and Frank Labigang; District Deputies Terry Lott, Louis Zylka, and Ray Billeaud; Delegates Maynard Chandler; and Chariman Roy Patterson.

The committee discussed the various membership incentive programs. With recommendations for continuing all programs (Top Proposer of the Month, Top Proposer of the Year, Highest Net Gain, Highest Percent Gain, Top Gun Council and Top Gun District Awards). We agreed these award programs have proven successful in providing recognition to those Knights and Councils who have endeavored to promote the Order through outstanding recruiting.

Chairman Roy Patterson requested the assistance of field agents in identifying candidates for "Top Proposer" recognition. Under normal procedures, financial secretaries forward copies of form 100s to the State Membership Chairman. These forms are used to determine Top Proposer. However, the majority of financial secretaries do not send in form 100s, causing many deserving Brother Knights not to be recognized as a "Top Proposer." The field agents agreed to send a copy of any form 100s they receive to the Membership Committee.

Recruitment Chairman Lou Zylka suggested that when recruiting, Brothers should involve prospective members' families.

The insurance field force will be introducing an award for the next Fraternal Year for improvement in membership and insurance. Each council will be contacted by its field agent with information about this new program.

In closing, we would like to congratulate the 13 "Top Gun" councils and the 20 councils who achieved a 5% net gain in membership and we want to encourage each member of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus to put forth a special effort to promote membership this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Patterson
Chairman

CHURCH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

The following is a report of the Church Activities Committee:

In addition to reports submitted by the Activity Chairman, the following is submitted:

1. Recognize the State Church Director John Szymonik for his tireless efforts to plan, organize, schedule and follow-up the progress of the "Cross of the New World" program for the Biloxi Diocese.
2. That the two current mandatory church activities projects be continued.
3. Encourage Councils to further develop new and innovative church activities.
4. That consideration be given to develop church activities that would favorably increase total family communication between parents and their children. We recognize the benefit of spiritual intervention within the family unit which would thereby increase awareness in the parish community. This program could include such programs as family retreats or seminars on improving family communication and family values.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Tabor, Chair
Ed Rogers
Emil Vial
Joe Bramucchi
Exavier Niolet
Rick Penick

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee consisted of Brothers Leroy Herbert, John Maloney, Albert Rocconi, E. H. Merriman, Mike Craft and John Carr.

As you heard this morning from the State Deputy, there is an alarming loss of membership. There must be a reason for this. We think it is because we do not have an activity to keep all of them interested in the Knights of Columbus. So this committee came up with a few suggestions that might help.

1. Try to put on State volleyball and golf tournaments.
2. Hold business meetings at least twice a month.
3. Plan out your program for the year to make sure that you get your required programs done. And get the information out in your Council newsletter to let your members know what is coming up.
4. Work on a First Degree team in each Council or combine with another Council. And when you get a member into the First Degree, stay with him until he receives his Knighthood Degree.
5. Get a Ladies Auxiliary in each Council so that it can help with some of the Council's activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Leroy Herbert, Director

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

The members of the Community Activities Committee had the following recommendations for the Councils to consider:

1. Support Habitat for Humanity, the building of homes for the homeless.
2. Set up a state-wide drive for funds to support the Abused Shelters throughout the state, similar to our Tootsie Roll Drive. One example: sell roses on Mother's Day and give the money to the shelters.
3. Better communications and follow-up on projects within our communities.
4. Recommend that all reports be typed and not handwritten when turned into Community Director at mid-winter meeting and convention.

Thirty councils reported at the convention. This was six more reporting than what we had at the mid-winter meeting. Only 30% of these 30 councils turned in a report for a service award.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Yaggi, Chair
Daniel Cervantez
Jerry Graham
Lloyd Everhardt
Joseph Serio
Paul Reuter
Carl Brochard

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee discussed and recommended a central location for next year's State Free Throw Contest. Jackson is the target city. It was also recommended to change the starting time from 11 a.m. to Noon.

All score sheets should accompany the free throw Program Director when he and the participants in the competition attend the annual state level competition.

Under Columbian Squires, it was recommended to establish at least three Circles in the northern part of the state.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie M. Underwood, Chair

FAMILY LIFE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

At 1 p.m., the committee met to attempt to come up with recommendations that would promote family life within our Councils. It was generally conceded that the program as it exists is easy to do and workable. Maybe extra bonus points and/or mandatory requirements with points would give some Councils the incentive to participate more actively. These thoughts and recommendations will be considered at our next organizational meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
John Bennett, Chair
Elbert Cuevas
Fred Cunningham
Michael Liberto
Louis Labella
Ted Applewhite

STATE CHURCH ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The following is a report on Church Activities for the Fraternal Year 1991-1992
Thirty (30) Councils have reported on their Church Activities, reporting on approximately sixty (60) programs/projects, the predominant of which are as follows:

1. Thirty (30) councils reported on providing readers, ushers, Eucharistic ministers, choir members, etc.
2. Twenty-four (24) councils reported on vocations.
3. Twenty-three (23) councils reported on Corporate Communion.
4. Twenty-two (22) councils reported on the Marian Hour of Prayer.
5. Fourteen (14) councils reported on religious recognition.
6. Fourteen (14) councils provided CCD instructors.
7. Fourteen (14) councils had Brother Knights serve on Parish Council.
8. Thirteen (13) councils provided Church assistance in purchasing of material and installing same.
9. Thirteen (13) councils provided Church support in the repair, maintenance of Church buildings and grounds.
10. Eleven (11) councils reported on "Keep Christ in Christmas" program.
11. Ten (10) councils reported on supporting our seminarians.
12. Nine (9) councils reported on the Priest Education Fund.
13. Nine (9) councils reported on RCIA sponsorship.
14. Eight (8) councils reported on donations to the clergy.
15. Eight (8) councils reported on Cursillo.
16. Seven (7) councils reported on providing monetary Church assistance.
17. Seven (7) councils reported on conducting the recitation of the Rosary before or after Mass.
18. Five (5) councils reported on conducting the recitation of the Rosary before or after Council meetings.
19. Five (5) councils reported on an active Altar Boy program.
20. Four (4) councils reported on participation in the Annual Rosary Rally.
21. Sixteen councils (16) reported on the "Cross of the New World" prayer service held at twenty-four (24) parishes.
22. Additionally, between 1 and 5 councils reported on thirty-nine (39) other projects.

The following councils submitted their reports to the Church Activities Director:

District One: 7120, Southaven; 8848, Tupelo.
District Two: 2969, Clarksdale; 5556, Cleveland.
District Three: 898, Vicksburg; 2945, Leland.
District Four: 8285, Jackson; 9543, Madison; 10216, Brandon; 7854, Clinton and 8038, Pearl.
District Five: 802, Meridian.
District Six: 1034, Natchez; 8054, McComb and 7915, Brookhaven
District Seven: 2180, Laurel.
District Eight: 4472, Pass Christian; 6872, Picayune; 1522, Bay St. Louis and 7097, Kiln.
District Nine: 1583, Gulfport; 9409, W. Biloxi; 9673, Woolmarket; 4898, Long Beach and 7910, Gulfport (OG).
District Ten: 1244, Biloxi; 1605, Pascagoula; 5654 Ocean Springs; 9094, N. Biloxi and 10499, Ocean Springs.

These Council efforts and their timely reporting are to be commended. They have responded to the challenge of our times. They have reflected by their reports that they are really members of a Catholic

family, fraternal and service organization, practicing the principles of our Order, namely, **Unity, Charity, Fraternity and Patriotism**, and that they are contributing to the promotion of a successful transition of Family and Church from the present to the future.

Special recognition must be afforded to the following three councils:

Hernando DeSoto Council #7120 for their outstanding "Quincentenary Prayer Service Program" with an attendance of one hundred-one (101).

C. G. Shapley (Leland) Council #2945 for their outstanding "Keep Christ in Christmas" program by having 4 radio spots besides one of their own during the Advent season; by making a monetary donation to a needy family for Christmas; and by displaying a "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard during the season of Advent and a "Peace Be to You" billboard during the season of Lent. These posters were displayed on Highway 82 East between Greenville and Leland.

St. Francis of Assisi Council #9543 for displaying a "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard in Ridgeland and other contributions during the Christmas season keeping Christ in Christmas.

The Church Activities Committee expresses its appreciation to the State Deputy, The State family, Grand Knights, Council Church Activities Directors and all Brother Knights for their active participation in contributing to an outstanding Church program year.

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

VIVAT JESUS

Respectfully submitted

John F. Szymonik,
State Director

STATE COUNCIL ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

I would like to thank our Worthy State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski for the opportunity to serve as the Council Activity Director.

I hope by the time the reports are due we get a 100% participation. We need to give the credit that is due, plus we need to share with other councils the wonderful activities that are going on. Other councils may be able to benefit from the information shared. Also we can keep the history of the Knights of Columbus going.

Respectfully submitted,

Leroy G. Herbert, Sr.
State Director

STATE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

This past year has been a very busy year for all the councils in the state. Many community projects have been completed by the councils and some have been very impressive.

This past year, the Knights of Columbus state wide were recognized by a group of women at their yearly meeting for the Southern Regional Domestic Abuse Family Shelters. We were recognized as

the only all men's organization to contribute funds, not only to the shelter in Laurel Mississippi, but we were also the only men's organization to contribute funds in this region. The shelters are funded through grants from the state they are in and through some federal funding as well. The biggest part of their funding comes from private individuals and from organizations such as the Knights of Columbus and other civic organizations. The most important principle we strive by is charity. In being charitable to this organization, we have shown our care for the women and children of our communities that we as Knights of Columbus want to help them lead healthy Christian lives in our society today. The contributions given to the shelter in Laurel over the past two years may not seem like a lot to some, but to the people who received it, it was as if you gave them the world on a string. After their meeting was over, every woman in the room wanted to know more about these men called the "Knights of Columbus." This put us one step closer to making our name a household word by our good deeds and actions.

There are several shelters scattered throughout our great state and I challenge each and every council to contribute to the shelter in your area. To find out how to get in touch with where to send a contribution or how to work for a shelter, you can drop me a letter and I will get you the necessary information.

This is only one community project that has helped the needy and there are many more projects that we as Knights do every year. We help the elderly, visit hospitals, participate in the Tootsie Roll Drive which helps many of the unfortunate handicapped people throughout the state. We support an active drug awareness program and many, many more projects that we could go on and on talking about.

This past year has been very rewarding for the Knights of Columbus in our state. Let's keep up the good work and make next year an even better one. May God bless you and your families.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Yaggi
State Director

STATE YOUTH ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Our State Free Throw Contest was held on March 28, 1992, at Meridian Community College Gym, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and all of the winners from council level had a great shoot-out. There were over 74 shooters competing for first place in their age groups.

Our special thanks goes out to Tom Zettler for arranging for the Meridian community College Gym and taking care of trophies from Supreme. Also special thanks to Jerry Bourrell of the Laurel Council for helping me at the gym.

Councils that participated in the State Free Throw Championship:

Gulfport	1583	Biloxi	1244	Vicksburg	898
Natchez	1034	Bay St. Louis	1522	McComb	8054
Meridian	802	Corinth	8912	Pass Christian	4472
Jackson	8285	Woolmarket	9673	Brookhaven	7915
Picayune	6872	Ocean Springs	10499	Ocean Springs	5654
Madison	9543	Clarksdale	2969	Southaven	7120
Leland	2945	West Biloxi	9409	Greenville	2134
Brandon	10216	Hattiesburg	1984	Kiln	7087
Pearl	8038				

Councils that did not participate in the State Free Throw Contest:

Pascagoula	1605	Shelby	6555	Long Beach	4898
Starkville	6765	Lumberton	7211	Greenwood	5267
Clinton	7854	Orange Grove	7910	Gautier	9124
Indianola	9234	Lizana	9958	Grenada	10443
In Moratorium:		Yazoo City	3328	West Point	9587

63% of the councils participated in the State Free Throw Contest.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Underwood,
State Youth Director

STATE FAMILY LIFE DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

As our Fraternal Year ends, it concludes on a high note. It is easy to see by the quantity and quality of the reports that I have received that the Knights of Columbus is alive and well. Our history will show that this year many councils were active in works of mercy. It will show that our families were a big part of our success. Our love for our fellow man is mirrored by our relations with our family.

This has proven to be a banner year for some of our programs. One such program is Supreme's Family of the Month. This past year, more councils participated than ever before. In the Mississippi Jurisdiction, there were twenty-one (21) councils that participated at one time or another. Five councils that scored 100% reporting to Supreme were: **Meridian 802, Biloxi 1244, Ocean Springs 5654, Pearl 8038, and Ocean Springs 10499**. These councils should be recognized for their efforts. This year's second place "ain't too bad" councils that were only one off the mark were **North Biloxi 9094 and West Biloxi 9409**. Congratulations and a personal thanks goes to each of these councils for a job well done.

This past year has been special to me in that more councils are actively participating in our Family of the Month Program. This year there has been a thirty plus percent increase in participation. A special thanks to the Fr. Patrick McAlpine Council 9094 in DeBerville for sending me, month after month, a copy of their Family of the Month selection. Their criteria for selection was excellent.

At our organizational meeting and mid-year meeting, we, the directors, had requested a copy of each council's newsletters. Thanks to **Kiln, Greenwood, Greenville, Bay St. Louis, Vicksburg**, and of course, **Meridian** for being so faithful in this request. Judging the newsletters that are submitted at our convention becomes easier when we have had the opportunity throughout the year to read and analyze the quality and formats of the newsletters.

In conclusion, I want to thank our State Deputy Stan Swentkowski and you, my friends, for the opportunity to have served you.

Respectfully submitted,

John L. Bennett
State Director

STATE PRO-LIFE REPORT

Three years ago, I was appointed Pro-Life Couple Chairman by our State Deputy Marvin Lott. As I began my work, I became discouraged at the response I was getting. But soon, the Pro-Life sentiment that was not evident on the surface started appearing. Now I see and experience a response far beyond any expectations. It surely is true, the Knights of Columbus of Mississippi are for life and for the respect of life. The Knights of Columbus of Mississippi are standing up and being counted as pro-lifers.

The 1-800 Hotline number program is progressing. The councils are making the commitment to aid in funding the program. The 1-800 calls are answered in the office of Catholic Charities of the Jackson Diocese for women who call for help with a problem pregnancy. Father Elvin Sunds, Director of Catholic Charities of the Jackson Diocese, and Father George Murphy, Director of Catholic Social Services of the Biloxi Diocese, have informed me that KC donations are funding the 1-800 number phone service and listing in the yellow pages in Jackson, Cleveland, Greenville, Greenwood, Grenada, Meridian, Oxford, Pike County, Tupelo, Vicksburg, Columbus, Clarksdale and listings are scheduled in Pascagoula, the Biloxi-Hattiesburg and Picayune areas, and 2500 posters cost \$440.00. 200 calls have been received since January 1st. Donations of \$1.20 per member and more in most cases have been forwarded by me to Fr. Sunds from the State Ladies Auxiliary (the first to donate), Lizana #9958, Clarksdale #1583, Ocean Springs #5657 & #10499, McComb #5084, Ridgeland #9543, and Picayune #6872. This totals to \$2,123.80. I have commitments from Hattiesburg #1908, Laruel #2180, Natchez #1034, North Biloxi #9094, and West Biloxi #9409. Brother Jim Glover has been calling the councils in the Jackson Diocese and asking for their participation in the program. I have been meeting with councils on weeknights and on weekends to discuss the 1-800 Hotline program and the Fetal Model program.

The Fetal Model program is coming along. Councils may purchase a set of Fetal models for \$70.00 plus \$3.00 shipping to loan or donate to schools or organizations. When you talk to public schools, explain that the models may be used for anatomy, health, or science classes in lieu of pro-life. To purchase a set send \$70.00 plus \$3.00 shipping to Antoine Otto with your mailing address (no P.O. Box). I maintain 10 sets from National Right-to-Life. As of the convention, 17 sets have been purchased. It is important that young people see the fetal models so they may understand that there is really a baby in the mother's womb.

Three years ago, I started a collection drive for the needy that I call the Knights of Columbus Respect Life, All Denomination collection Drive, where we collect clothes, food, furniture, and money for Pregnancy Care Centers, Battered Women and Children's Homes, Substance Abuse Homes, etc. This is a one day project where we collect and deliver on the same day, if possible. The project is held on the last Saturday of October, which is Respect Life Month. I will endeavor to make this a State program. We all put on collection drives. Why not do one all at the same time throughout the state with media coverage and recognition by all Knights of Columbus who care to?

The Rally for Life that is held in Jackson every year in January to commemorate the infamous Roe v. Wade decision of the Supreme Court in 1973 was attended by our State Deputy Stan Swentkowski, State Officers, 3 councils with banners flying, and members of the Ladies Auxiliary. The total count was lower than usual. Brother Jim Glover and I, by conversation with our State Deputy, want to make this a state program with other pro-life groups.

Fraternally,

Antonio Otto
Jim Glover

STATE VOCATIONS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Pascagoula's P. J. Carey Council did a great job on vocations and I believe that the Council does help in the Diocanate field also. And St. Therese of Jackson is also to be complimented on its efforts to assist the seminarians.

What I cannot understand is why they wish to keep their projects a secret. I have asked all councils to send me vocations material so we can publish it in the Magnolia State paper, thereby sharing their successes and ideas with other councils. And I do believe they deserve the recognition that they should receive.

This year, the only council I heard anything at all from is Greenville and it was too late to publish anything.

I know Vocations, at this time when we are feeling a shortage of priests so severely, is a very important endeavor and should be encouraged by everyone.

I can do nothing if I have no co-operation and I do not hear from you.

Julius Broussard
State Chairman

STATE SQUIRES REPORT

Our goal this past year was to raise our membership from 95 to over 100 members and to hold our first state Squires Circle of MS. I am very proud and honored to say during the period of July 1991 to March 1992, two circles held investiture and had over 36 new Squires to put Mississippi in the top 20 percentage gain. The two circles were Ocean Springs #2852 and Gulfport #3091. During this recruiting, "Discover the Squires," Gulfport Louis La Rosa Circle 3091 and Ocean Springs Fred L. Westbrook 2852 won membership campaign certificates. Congratulations to Glenn Donwelley who won a personal computer. He is a Squire from Fred L. Westbrook Ocean Springs 2852.

Our State Squire Circle was formed in February by State Squire Chairman Charlie Underwood to finish out our calendar year. All officers shall be elected by ballot at the first regular meeting held in the month of June, Article VI, Section 2 of the Laws and Rules of the Columbian Squires.

Fraternally,

Charlie M. Underwood
State Chairman

STATE ROUND TABLE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Per the Grand Knight of Laruel, David Hughes, the only Round Table in Mississippi in Waynesboro is inactive as of the end of the state fiscal year in March. Due to the distance between Laurel and Waynesboro, there has been difficulty in Round Table members attending Council meetings. David did not see any improvement in the near future to the status of this Round Table.

There are probable locations for other Round Tables, such as Batesville or Canton, but several obstacles hinder development. One of these problems is positive. Many candidates for Round Tables are also candidates for new council; case in point is Oxford. This is the way it should be approached. Other

obstacles are the need for thirteen in a parish to form a Round Table and the approval of the priest to authorize this formation. Several candidate locations in north Mississippi are being put on hold until possible consolidation in parishes is known.

Fraternally,

James T. Rossetti
State Chairman

STATE RETENTION CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Now is the time for all good "BROTHERS" to come to the aid of their councils and help to retain the members that we have recruited. It is a shame that so many men join the Knights only to drop their membership. Why did they join? Did they join just to drop their membership? I doubt it. Now is the time to get down to the serious business of meeting our goals of membership and insurance. Let us move forward and make sure that all awards are won.

Retain those members and make it happen.

Fred Ward
State Chairman

NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Worthy Brothers: After the State Deputy appointed me New Council Development Chairman for this Fraternal Year, I obtained a list of all the parishes in the State of Mississippi and the number of families in each. I took this list and listed off all of the parishes that did not have Knights of Columbus councils in them as prospective new council sites. With the help of the State Deputy and the General Agent Brother Henry Mosco, I found out which district deputy and field insurance agent they would want to handle each potential site. At the State Organizational meeting in June, I handed out a list of the potential council sites with a district deputy and a field agent assigned to each location. Stan and I explained that we wanted the district deputy and field agent to work together as a team, to explore each location, and to see what they could do about bringing the site into the Knights of Columbus organization.

There were 33 potential sites on the list, including some locations in moratorium that needed reactivation. According to the information in my files, I believe 13 of the sites have been explored in one way or another this year.

Two, we believe, are about to become new councils and should be in our organization by the end of June.

Brother Dan Burt, who now lives in Philadelphia, contacted us about a council there and has done some excellent groundwork for us. We got a group up, went to Philadelphia one weekend, and put on a drive. Approximately 30 signed up, some of whom were former members of the Knights of Columbus. Since that time, we have been trying to get the new signees initiated into the First Degree. We lack 8 and expect to have them in on May 2. We are being strongly supported by Br. Jeff Jenkins of Philadelphia, a new Knight who took all 3 Degrees in the last 6 or 8 weeks.

The State Deputy contacted the pastor at Oxford and obtained permission for us to have a drive there, which we did at the start of this month. The team that went to Oxford obtained 40 signed Form 100s and we should be successful there also.

I am concerned about both councils. We seem to be meeting minor difficulties in matters such as getting prospects to First Degree, scheduling First Degrees, too many activities in the same time frame such as Easter, our State Convention, the Tootsie Roll Drive, and Third Degree Initiations, etc. I have developed a personal problem as I am involved with both New Council Development work and Third Degree work and there is a conflict working with potential new members in these two fields.

Minor difficulties have a way of delaying New Council Development, and delays kill enthusiasm. Two or three months development time for a new council after you once start is all you normally have. We are depending on our district deputies Br. Dick Benton and Br. Gene Ingram and our field agents Larry Campbell and Fred Ward to keep the push on in both locations.

Hopefully Philadelphia and Oxford will be in shortly. I know of no other positive developments to report on at the present time in new council development work, but other work is continuing.

Sincerely,

Jesse J. Quinn, Jr., PSD
State Chairman

AWARD/REPORT CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

State Deputy Stan Swentkowski appointed me Awards/Reports Forms Chairman for the 1991-1992 Fraternal Year. There are four reports that have to be completed and mailed to the Supreme Office with a copy sent to the State Deputy: Form 185, Report of Council Officers; Form 1295, Semiannual Audit Report; Form 365, Service Program Personal Report; and Form 1728, Annual Survey of Fraternal Activities Report. Below is a breakdown of each report and the due dates.

1. Form 185, Report of Council's Officers, was due August 1, 1991. This report is important to Supreme and State. Supreme needs it to send information to the Grand Knights to help in the performance of his office. Also, the State Council needs the information so the State Directory can be printed and distributed.
2. Form 1295, Semiannual Audit Report, was due August 15, 1991 and February 15, 1992. Some councils were late sending in this report.
3. Form 365, Service Program Personal Report, was due September 1, 1991. Report Form 365 is a requirement for the Columbian, Father McGivney, and Founders Awards and a requirement for the State Program Awards.
4. Form 1728, Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Report, was due January 31, 1992. The last report I received from Supreme showed four councils had not sent in this report. But the District Deputy of this District had a copy of two of these councils' reports so at least two were lost in the mail or at Supreme, filed wrongly.

All of these reports are mandatory for the Mississippi Jurisdiction Program Activities. The first state report was due November 15, 1991, and the second was due March 31, 1992.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis "Doc" Ladnier, PSD
State Chairman

DE L'EPEE DEAF CENTER CHARIMAN'S REPORT

The following councils have donated to the de l'Epee Deaf Center:

Lizana	\$ 696.68
Corinth	272.00
Meridian	100.00
Clarksdale	200.00
Long Beach	500.00
Gulfport	300.00
TOTAL	\$2068.68

Council #9958 will be presented a plaque at their Quarterly Dinner for the largest donation.

Thank you, Worthy State Deputy, for allowing me the privilege of serving you, my Brother Knights, and the deaf community.

Fraternally yours,

Lessie Ladnier
State Chairman

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION'S COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Whereas:

Council 1034 Natchez has been such a successful host on the 88th Annual Convention, and

Whereas:

The Officer, 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 council for the superior manner in which they have discharged their responsibility.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Whereas:

Brother Newman Flanagan and his wife have honored this State Council with their presence and,

Whereas:

Brother Flanagan is a Supreme Director of the Knights of Columbus and,

Whereas:

We the delegates of the Mississippi State Council realize that Brother Flanagan's address at the Convention Banquet will be extremely informative and well received by everyone,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the Mississippi State Council express its sincere thanks and appreciation to Brother Newman Flanagan, a Supreme Director of the Knights of Columbus, and extend to him and his wife, a cordial invitation to return and visit our Jurisdiction whenever they may find it possible to do so

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Whereas:

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Twenty-Ninth Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution, adopted at the State Convention held in Jackson and,

Whereas:

Members from throughout the Jurisdiction participated in the tournament and,

Whereas:

It is the express desire by vote of participants to again hold this activity in 1993,

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the Mississippi State council sponsor at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi Knights of Columbus Thirtieth Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament to be resolved at a meeting held during the tournament. A report is to be given at the State Convention by the chairman of the bowling tournament. The tournament is to carry the sanction of the American Bowling Congress.

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: Adopted

Action: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 4

Whereas:

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 Knights of Columbus Annual Softball Tournament for its membership. The tournament is to carry the official sanction of the American Softball Association. Dates and time to be set by the host council with all business for the state softball tournament. A report is to be given by the chairman of the softball tournament at the State Convention.

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: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Whereas:

The Catholic Orphans in the Mississippi Jurisdiction depend on financial support from the Knights of Columbus and,

Whereas:

The Knights of Columbus have supported the Orphans in the past,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the Mississippi State Council authorize the expenditure of \$300.00 to each Diocese in the name of Catholic Orphans in the Mississippi Jurisdiction and,

Be It Further Resolved:

That a check in this amount be presented to Bishop Houck and Bishop Howse for use at their discretion.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 6

Whereas:

The de l'Epee Deaf Center in Gulfport attends to the needs of the deaf citizens of the Biloxi Diocese and is funded in part by the Diocese of Biloxi and,

Whereas:

The de l'Epee Deaf Center is the only center of its kind in the State of Mississippi and,

Whereas:

The de l'Epee Deaf Center also does work for the deaf citizens for the entire State of Mississippi,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

The Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus sponsor at no expense to itself the de l'Epee Deaf Center in Gulfport, Mississippi. The sponsorship will be in name only. This program will be a voluntary program only.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Adopt Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 7

Whereas:

Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant has given the Order 26 years of dedicated service, and

Whereas:

Under his leadership the Knights Insurance Program has increased from 3.6 billion dollars of life insurance in force in 1976 to 20 billion in 1990, and

Whereas:

Under his leadership revenue has increased 593% from 1970 to 1991, and

Whereas:

Under his leadership the assets of the Order have increased 434% from 656 million in 1971 to 3.5 billion in 1991, and

Whereas:

Under his leadership the Order has increased dividends 800% from 17.5 million in 1976 to 157.7 million in 1991, and

Whereas:

The Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant, the Supreme Officers, and the Board of Directors have given tremendous direction to our honored Order,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

The Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus goes on record in supporting our Supreme Knight, Supreme Officers, and Board of Directors.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 8

Whereas:

Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State council By-Laws states that the expenses of the State Officers, and State Membership Director, State Program Director, the five Service Program Directors, delegates, District Deputies, and the Past State Deputies shall be determined by resolution at each State Council meeting for the ensuing annual.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

That pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws per diem expense for the delegates, State Officers, District Deputies, State Membership Director, State Program Director and the five Service Program Directors to the State Council meeting for the ensuing year are hereby set and established to be paid \$45.00 per day for two days, plus mileage at \$.20 per mile one way to be based on mileage figures furnished by the Mississippi State Highway Department.

Be It Hereby Also Resolved:

Past State Deputies in attendance are to be paid per diem for two days at the rate of \$45.00 and no allowance for mileage.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 9

Whereas:

Due to the fact that the expenses of the State Officers, not reimbursed by the Supreme Council, and the State Chairmen of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus have become increasingly large, for the first eight months of this fraternal year, and,

Whereas:

The Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus does not have the necessary funds to continue to pay such expenses, without increasing the Per Capita Tax assessed to each Council,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the State Officers, not reimbursed by the Supreme Council, be reimbursed per diem of \$45.00 a day and \$.20 per mile, one way, for all official travel, pre-approved by the State Deputy, in lieu of all incurred expenses.

And Be It Further Resolved:

That the official, pre-approved by the State Deputy, expenses of the State Chairmen of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus be limited to a maximum of \$300.00 for each chairman during his term of office each year.

Recommendation: Reject

Action: Accept Recommendation

RESOLUTION NO. 10

Whereas:

The duties of the Financial Secretary are as dictated by the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, Constitution and Laws, and he is a direct appointee of the Supreme Knight and holds the office of Financial Secretary at the will of the Supreme Knight, and

Whereas:

The duties of the local Financial Secretary are numerous and on-going to provide the Supreme Council, Mississippi State Council (State Deputy) and his local Council with the records that are vital in the day to day operation of a Council, and

Whereas:

The Financial Secretary is a necessary link for the local Council member to and through the Supreme Council and Mississippi State Council, and this information is very vital and beneficial to the Supreme Council along with the Mississippi State Council, and

Whereas:

The local Councils of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus do not have the necessary funds to afford the expenses of travel to each and all functions as is required by the Mississippi State Council to maintain his office status. The expense of the Financial Secretary should not be a burden to his local Council.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus reimburse the local Financial Secretary the per diem and mileage for travel that is in place with the Mississippi State Council Constitution By-Laws for incurred expenses.

Recommendation: Reject

Action: Accept Recommendation

STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The State Convention Committee met in Room 603 of the River Park Hotel.

Purpose: To make recommendations to future host Convention Committee of the next year and State Deputy in order to improve our State Conventions.

The Committee wishes to commend Convention co-chairmen Freddie Bigbee and Richard Spence and their staff from Council 1034 Natchez for organizing and performing their duties in a excellent manner. Sometimes, however, there are items this committee feels need to be pointed out.

Tupelo MS will be the site of the 1993 K of C Convention hosted by District #1 which is composed of Southaven, Corinth, Holly Springs, and Tupelo and hopefully Oxford which is being formed at this date.

The Convention Committee recommends the deadline for pre-registration packets be moved from April 1, 1993 to April 10, 1993. Also, Committee recommends that Convention Packets for 1993 be handed out at the Mid-winter meeting to be held in December of 1992. This will enable the members to make plans and also to cut down on mail out expenses.

The Committee also recommends that the State Convention Agenda be mailed out by the State Deputy by March 1, 1993 and that the Committee assignments be mailed out by April 1, 1993.

Knowing that Tupelo, the host town for Convention for 1993, will block out 250 rooms for State Officers, District Deputies, Bishops, Program Chairmen and Program Directors and guests coming to the Convention in 1993, these rooms will be available until April 10, 1993. It will be the responsibility of each of the above and their guest to make their own reservations. Again these rooms will be available until April 10. Recommend that the State Deputy along with the host committee to set a Friday night function which is suitable to the State Deputy.

We also recommend activities such as the Friday and Saturday night function, tours, etc., should be planned and put in the Convention packet so that children of members will be supervised by baby sitters furnished by the host Convention Committee. This will enable the K of C State Convention to be more of a family affair.

Respectfully submitted,

Marvin L. Lott, IPSD, Chair
Gene Ingram, DD #1
Keith Merrit, DGK, Tupelo #8898
Bob Brinton, GK, Tupelo #8898
Mouise Richards, Meridian #802
Karl Koberger, GK, Gulfport #1583
Bill Gratzan, Laurel #2180
Pat Biglane, PGK, Natchez #1034
Reed Fontest, Tupelo #8848

The third business session was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. with a closing by former State Chaplain Father Frank Corcoran. The delegates prepared for the awards presentation and banquet.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION

Sunday, April 26, 1992

The fourth business session was opened at 11 a.m. by State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski. The prayer was said by former State Chaplain Father Frank Corcoran and the Pledge of Allegiance by Master of the Fourth Degree Norman Kiehm.

Recognition comments were made by State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski toward Bishop Houck, Bishop Howze, Immediate Past State Deputy Marvin Lott and Executive Secretary John P. Myers, PSD.

Bishop Joseph Howze then addressed the delegates in unity.

REPORT OF THE MASTER OF THE 4TH DEGREE

The 4th Degree in the Bienville Province is on the move and advancing.

The past year, the Province--Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee--experienced a total gain of 481 new members, for a 5.2% increase. The District of Louisiana had the largest increase with 210, whereas Mississippi had the highest percentage of gain, 12%.

In Mississippi, we had two exemplifications since our last convention, and added 102 new lay members and 4 clergy, 48 in Gulfport during June of last year and 58 in Biloxi in February of this year. These two very successful exemplifications now give us a total statewide of 1080 4th Degree members--21% of the total membership in Mississippi. Our goal is 25%.

We are in urgent need of an exemplification in the central or northern part of the state. During this last year we scheduled two such exemplifications, but had to cancel both for lack of candidates. We are going to try again and hope, with the support of every assembly throughout the state, to be able to have one during July. A tentative date is set for July 18th in Brandon, hosted by our newest assembly, the Madison-Ridgeland Assembly #2267.

We just added this new assembly which now gives us a total of 20 assemblies. We hope to add a couple more this year, possibly in Lizana, Gautier and the new council in Ocean Springs.

In the latest issue of *Columbia Magazine* is a feature article on our new Supreme Master Darrell Beck, PSD. In this article, in regard to recruiting, he is quoted as saying:

Ideally, every 3rd Degree member should be a member of the 4th Degree. The 4th Degree is not an elitist group. It is the highest degree of the Order, but every 3rd Degree member of the Knights of Columbus is welcome.

With that thought Beck also notes that many 3rd Degree members believe they have to be invited to join the 4th. He says:

The reality is that all 3rd Degree members are welcome. They have only to contact the 4th Degree Assembly in their area. The only restriction on 4th Degree membership is that men must be members of the Order for a period of at least one year before joining the 4th. In some cases some 3rd Degree members are reluctant to join the 4th Degree because they believe it is too expensive. Purchasing 4th Degree regalia--tuxedo, cape, chapeaux, sword, etc--is not a requirement for joining. Tuxedos can be rented for occasions that require them. To be a member of the 4th Degree, it is not required that he be a member of the Honor Guard or Color Corp.

If we explain this to the 3rd Degree member, we can make it easier for him to join the 4th Degree, and enable him to reach the highest degree of our Order.

I also would like to quote our Supreme Knight, who himself was the Supreme Master at one time:
The reason that the 4th Degree membership remains rather constant is the same reason why more eligible Catholic men do not join the Order, namely nobody asks them. Surely each one of us can look around his council chamber and identify a number of candidates who would like nothing better than to be invited to join the 4th Degree. Let us then make an effort to be membership conscious, not only in regard to new Knights, but also with the goal of swelling the ranks of the 4th Degree.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Kiehm, PSD
District Master

LIAISON OFFICER TO THE STATE LADIES AUXILIARY ANNUAL REPORT

As the Liaison Officer to the State Ladies Auxiliary, it is my duty to act as a link between the Ladies Auxiliary and the State Knights of Columbus with information being passed on both ways. The letter I have just read sums up their activity for the past year.

Over the past 2 years I have pleaded with the Knights of Columbus to help organize the ladies auxiliary in every council; I have given illustrations and sometimes I was forceful with my delivery.

I have accepted the fact and have so stated in previous reports that formation and growth of the ladies auxiliary is strictly their responsibility. We have numerous problems of our own that require much of our attention.

But on a different note let me say this. The membership of the Knights of Columbus in Mississippi is well over 4000 but only 196 ladies are state affiliated. something is wrong. This is less than 5%.

Let me illustrate this. When the Knights of Columbus wishes to form a new council in an area we first seek the approval of the pastor of that parish. With his blessing and promotion the rest is easy. In forming a new ladies auxiliary in an area they also need the approval, blessing and promotion of the Knights of Columbus council. How are they any different than us?

At many instances the ladies assist in new council development. Do we assist in their development?

I would like to thank State Deputy Stan Swentkowski for allowing me to serve as Liaison Agent this past year. It has been a pleasure working with State President Johnnie Harmon, the ladies, and you Brother Knights.

Faternally submitted,

Robert Fratesi, PSD
Liaison Officer

REPORT OF THE STATE HISTORIAN

At last year's convention a resolution was passed concerning the compiling and printing of the history of the Knights of Columbus in the state of Mississippi. This history is to cover every ten year period

ending on the multiple of 10 anniversary years.

With another 2 years before we start compiling this information, there is not much to report at this time.

When the first history was printed in 1971 every council was asked to pay \$100.00 toward this project. Ads were also sold.

In 1984 when the second edition was printed the state paid the entire bill with no ads being sold.

At this time there is nothing decided for offsetting expenses for the printing. This is something that will be decided on at a future convention.

If I am still appointed the State Historian when this time arrives, I will be in touch with each council and instruct them as to what will be needed from them.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Fratesi, PSD
State Historian

STATE ATHLETIC EVENTS REPORT

1. The 1991 State Softball Tournament was held August 9 thru 11, which was hosted by Hattiesburg Council #1908, at the Timberton Softball Complex. Pascagoula took first place with Biloxi receiving 2nd and 3rd place.
2. The second annual 35 and older game between State Officers and State Committee Chairmen against Hattiesburg's 35 and older team was won by Hattiesburg.
The 1992 softball tournament will be hosted by Clarksdale.
3. The 1992 Bowling Tournament was held on February 22 and 23, in Ocean Springs and hosted by Biloxi Council #1244. This was a very successful tournament with 31 teams from 20 councils. The 1993 tournament will be held in Natchez. The 1994 tournament will be hosted by Clarksdale.
4. Natchez will host a Golf tournament on Friday, April 23, during the State Convention and I hope this will turn into an annual event.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mike Craft
State Chairman

BISHOP R. O. GEROW MEMORIAL FUND REPORT

At the mid-year meeting in December of 1991, I asked for the full support of the Knights of Columbus Family (Councils, Assemblies, Auxiliaries) to go all out to attain our goal of \$50,000 to go for that last straw that broke the camel's back, then next year we will get a bigger camel. Let me state here and now, before the SPCA comes after me, we did not break the camel's back

This year, the Jackson Diocese received \$20,490, the Biloxi Diocese received \$24,552 for a total of \$45,042. This is \$4,670 less than last year. Seven councils and four assemblies that usually contribute did not do so this year. We realize that the economy has been somewhat depressed, some areas more than others, and that soon all councils and assemblies will join forces with us to assure our children

and grandchildren of the comfort of having a priest to counsel and administer to them. Total to date \$684,711.

The Fourth Degree Assemblies have contributed \$40,710, the Ladies Auxiliaries have donated a total of \$6200. The helping hands of the Fourth Degree and the Ladies are greatly appreciated.

The St. Vincent de Paul Council #4898 in Long Beach is continuing its policy to donate an equal amount to the Vincentian Order, which has staffed its parish for many years.

Pascagoula Council #1605 received the award for the largest donation of \$5,000. With a donation of \$4,800, the Greenville/Leland Assembly received the award for the largest donation per member with \$55 per member.

You are all to be congratulated; each council, each assembly, each auxiliary, for your outstanding effort. This committee thanks you.

My personal thanks to Brothers John Szymonik and Jerry Santucci for their assistance throughout the year. Due to a major illness of his wife Annie, John is in our prayers, that God, in His infinite goodness and love, will grant Annie a speedy recovery.

The shortage of priests has become critical. As members of the Knights of Columbus, "the right arm of the Church," we must exert every effort to insure the future of the Church in America. The Priest Education Fund should be the primary objective of every council.

Respectfully submitted,

Paulino J. Carrubba
State Chairman

REPORT OF THE BISHOP R. O. GEROW MEMORIAL FUND 1991-1992

Council	Location	1953-90	1991	1992	Total
802	Auxiliary	\$ 1,100	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 1,500
	Meridian	26,138	568	1,417	28,123
	1251 Assem.	1,100	100		1,200
848	0554 Assem.	400	100	100	600
	Jackson	22,155	300	500	22,955
898	Vicksburg	36,900	2,500	2,500	41,900
	0558 Assem.	1,150		1,150	
1034	Natchez	30,909	1,050	1,034	32,993
1244	Biloxi	26,000	1,000	1,000	28,000
1522	Bay St. Louis	19,557	1,000	1,392	21,949
1583	0556 Assem.	1,709		1,709	
	Auxiliary	850	150	175	1,175
	Gulfport	44,859	3,000	3,000	50,859
1605	0561 Assem.	100	200		300
	Pascagoula	115,245	6,600	5,000	126,845
	Auxiliary	900	100	100	1,100
1908	Hattiesburg	9,805	300	200	10,305
2134	Greenville	37,894	2,800	1,600	42,294
	Auxiliary	1,300	500	500	2,300

2134	0555 Assem.	24,600	6,110	4,800	35,510
2180	0563 Assem.	900	100	100	1,100
	Laurel	13,905	1,525	500	15,930
	Squires		100	100	
2945	Leland	15,112	1,100	1,000	17,212
2169	Clarksdale	20,370	1,000	2,000	23,370
3328	Yazoo City				
4472	Auxiliary		50	75	125
	Pass Christian	2,074	1,000	600	3,674
4898	Auxiliary			100	100
	Long Beach	21,101	2,000	3,000	26,101
	1719 Assem.		1,000	1,200	2,200
5267	Greenwood	11,304	1,350	1,314	13,968
5556	Cleveland	8,650	500	500	9,650
	1503 Assem.	50	100		150
5654	2059 Assem.	200	100	100	400
	Ocean Springs	16,055	1,300	1,500	18,855
6555	Shelby	4,300	400	440	5,140
6592	Bassfield	1,350	100	100	1,550
6765	Starkville	675			675
6872	2227 Assem.			250	250
	Picayune	10,661	2,854	2,500	16,015
7987	Kiln	3,310	250	250	3,810
7120	Southaven	713	500	550	1,763
	2195 Assem.		200		200
7211	Lumberton	26,539	1,000	2,000	29,539
7854	Clinton	2,235			2,235
7910	Orange Grove	700		110	810
7915	Brookhaven	3,150	700		3,850
7974	Columbus	945	230		1,175
8038	Pearl	1,361		435	1,796
8054	McComb	4,060	500	500	5,060
8285	St. Therese	450	150	100	700
8760	Holly Springs	750	300	300	1,350
8848	Tupelo	900	300		1,200
8912	Corinth	450	150		600
9094	N. Biloxi	325	161	150	636
9124	Gautier	2,183	200		2,383
9234	Indianola	550	350	500	1,400
9409	W. Biloxi	1,750	600	600	2,950
9534	Madison				
9537	West Point				
9673	Woolmarket	100	50	50	200
9958	Lizana		200	200	400
10216	Brandon		25	100	125
10443	Grenada				
10499	E. Ocean Springs		50	200	250
99999	Misc.	11,547			11,547
99999	State Auxiliary	400	800	200	1,400
	Total	\$591,796	\$47,873	\$45,042	\$684,711

STATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Most Reverend Bishop Houck, Reverend Bishop Howze, State Chaplain, Supreme Representative, State Officers, and my Brother Knights:

At the beginning of this Fraternal Year, our Worthy State Deputy brought to our attention that changes and happenings throughout the Knights of Columbus were more than coincidental. He emphasized and correlated that our faith in our holy religion goes hand in hand with the good works of our Order. Is it just coincidence that this gathering Of Knights of the Mississippi Jurisdiction is at the beginning of National Volunteer Week?

At the very beginning of the Fraternal Year, program guidelines and procedures were outlined and discussed. Our state leadership set forth the goals for the upcoming year, established targets, and agreed on game plans to achieve the best results.

The program year began with a well attended School of Columbianism, held in Jackson. Twenty-seven councils were represented, most with all requested council officers in attendance.

It was very evident upon review of the mid-year Program Activity Reports that councils throughout the state were active in supporting our five major activity categories. I hope everyone realizes the scope and magnitude of the efforts that Mississippi's Knights of Columbus contributes. There are many thankful recipients in our Churches, our communities, our councils, their families and youth.

In a memorandum to all State Deputies, our Supreme Council announced that the week of April 26 to May 2, 1992, has been recognized as "National Volunteer Week." It is said that volunteers are vital to the growth and success of any society. The Knights of Columbus is proud to join in this nationwide salute to voluntarism. Is it by coincidence that we are honoring our state councils for their voluntary contributions this weekend?

Our response to the Program Activity Reports this year could have been better and, hopefully, next year's program will be the best yet. I have learned through my tenure that it is all in the presentation. I feel that with the experience I have gained this year, I can correct shortcomings and improve the reporting system next year. Only 32 councils participated in this year's program and I am setting a goal for all councils to respond next year.

I would like to thank the Grand Knights and Council Program Directors who submitted their reports. I know it is a time consuming task to generate this report.

The following awards were presented on Friday, April 24, 1992:

HONOR COUNCILS

Number	Name	City
898	Vicksburg	Vicksburg
1034	Bishop Gerow	Natchez
1244	Biloxi	Biloxi
1522	Pere Le Duc	Bay St. Louis
1583	Bishop Gunn	Gulfport
1605	Msgr. P. J. Carey	Pascagoula
2180	Laurel	Laurel
2945	C. G. Shapley	Leland
4898	Long Beach	Long Beach
5556	Fr. Rotondo	Cleveland

6872	Oscar J. Gelpi	Picayune
7087	Fr. A. C. Denis	Kiln
7120	Hernando DeSoto	Southaven
8038	St. Jude	Pearl
8054	McComb	McComb
8760	St. Joseph	Holly Springs
9094	Fr. Patrick McAlpine	N. Biloxi

DISTINGUISHED COUNCILS

802	Msgr. John Burns	Meridian
2969	Msgr. McKenna	Clarksdale
4472	Msgr. Leech	Pass Christian
5654	Fred L. Westbrook	Ocean Springs
7915	St. Francis	Brookhaven
8285	St. Therese	Jackson
8848	Fr. Reitmeier	Tupelo
0409	Reinhart Schroeder	West Biloxi
9543	St. Francis Assisi	Madison
9673	James D. Hart	Woolmarket
9958	St. Ann	Lizana
10216	St. Paul	Brandon
10499	Msgr. Gregory Kennedy	Ocean Springs

BEST VOCATION PROJECT AWARDS

Jackson Diocese: Council #8285, St. Therese

Biloxi Diocese: Council #1605, Pascagoula

MENTAL RETARDATION DRIVE AWARDS

Highest Council Donation: Council #8848, Tupelo

Highest Donation per Member: Council #8912, Corinth

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

	Highest Percent Gain	Highest Net Gain
Small:	10499 Msgr. Gregory Kennedy	10499 Msgr. Gregory Kennedy
Medium:	7910 Orange Grove	7910 Orange Grove
Large:	8848 Tupelo	8848 Tupelo
X-Large:	2969 Clarksdale	2969 Clarksdale

TOP GUN COUNCILS

4472 Pass Christian	9409 West Biloxi
7910 Orange Grove	9958 Lizana
7915 Brookhaven	10216 Brandon
8038 Pearl	10443 Grenada
8848 Tupelo	10499 E. Ocean Springs
9094 North Biloxi	

BEST NEWSLETTER AWARDS

1244 Biloxi	1605 Pascagoula
1583 Gulfport	9409 West Biloxi

BEST SCRAPBOOK AWARDS

802 Meridian	1583 Gulfport
1244 Biloxi	1605 Pascagoula

SUPREME COUNCIL SERVICE ACTIVITY AWARDS

Best Church Activity: Council #9409, West Biloxi
Best Council Activity: Council #802, Meridian
Best Community Activity: Council #802, Meridian
Best Family Activity: Council #802, Meridian
Best Youth Activity: Council #1583, Gulfport

PRIEST EDUCATION FUND AWARDS

Highest Council Donation: Council #8848, Tupelo
Highest Donation per Member: Msgr. J. J. Igoe Assembly No. 0555

BEST COUNCIL AWARDS

Best Small Council: Council #10499, E. Ocean Springs
Best Medium Council: Council #9673, Woolmarket
Best Large Council: Council #9543, Madison
Best X-Large Council: Council #802, Meridian

PAST STATE DEPUTIES AWARD

Council #1034, Natchez

1991-1992 STAR DISTRICT DEPUTY AWARDS

District 1: James R. Leatherwood
District 4: Roy Patterson
District 6: Joseph F. Bonfiglio
District 7: John A. Stevens
District 9: Alden R. Stockert
District 10: Larry J. Tabor

FRED L. WESTBROOK KNIGHT OF THE YEAR AWARD

Jim Glover, Council #2969, Clarksdale

FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Roy Patterson Family, Council #8285, Jackson St. Therese

In closing, I would like to thank the five Brother Knights who served with me on the State Program Team. I know that they worked long and hard hours to make this program year successful. We owe them gratitude and appreciation for a job well done.

Church Director: John F. Syzmonik
Community Director: James R. Yaggi
Council Director: Leroy G. Herbert
Family Director: John L. Bennett
Youth Director: Charles M. Underwood

It has been truly an honor to serve the Mississippi Knights of Columbus this past year, and I am looking forward to making further contributions if called upon again. God bless!

Fraternally submitted

Larry J. Tabor
State Director

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business presented.

NEW BUSINESS

David DiLorenzo made a motion that the corporation (Columbus of Mississippi) as presently established be abolished. Further, that the State Deputy appoint the corporation board as necessary. Gordon Cowie seconded. Motion was passed by the delegates.

ELECTION OF STATE OFFICERS

The State Deputy then called for the election of officers. State Deputy then handed the gavel to Immediate Past State Deputy Marvin Lott. Past State Deputy Lott asked for nomination of State Deputy to be opened.

State Deputy: Stanley M. Swentkowski was nominated by Jim Glover for the 1992-93 year. There being no other nominations, Stanley M. Swentkowski was elected by acclamation.

After the election of State Deputy Swentkowski, Past State Deputy Lott then returned the gavel to State Deputy. Then an election was run by State Deputy Swentkowski.

State Secretary: Thomas R. Zettler was nominated by Mouise Richards for the 1992-93 year. There being no other nominations, Thomas R. Zettler was elected by acclamation.

State Treasurer: Greg Niolet was nominated by Exavier Niolet for the 1992-93 year. There being no other nominations, Greg Niolet was elected by acclamation.

State Advocate: Jesse Quinn III was nominated by Partrick Quinn for the 1992-93 year. There being no other nominations, Jesse Quinn III was elected by acclamation.

State Warden: Guy Todaro, Jr. was nominated by Ted Knowles for the 1992-93 year. There being no other nominations, Guy Todaro, Jr. was elected by acclamation.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE SUPREME CONVENTION IN NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Roy Patterson was nominated by Leroy Herbert; Wiley Price was nominated by Gordon Cowie, and John Maloney was nominated by Tom Zettler. Roy Patterson received 68 votes; Wiley Price received 31 votes; and John Maloney received 72 votes. As a result, John Maloney will be the third delegate and Roy Patterson will be the fourth delegate.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF ALTERNATES TO THE SUPREME CONVENTION IN NEW YORK, NEW YORK

John Pat Myers was nominated by David Hughes and Larry Tabor was nominated by James Donnelly. Wiley Price was nominated by Gordon Cowie and Greg Niolet was nominated by Frank Labigang. There being no other nominations, the four aforementioned members were elected in the order of their nomination.

There being no further business, State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski made some closing remarks. The meeting adjourned with a prayer by former State Chaplain Father Frank Corcoran at 12:15 p.m.

1991 DISTRIBUTION OF STATE MENTALLY RETARDED DRIVE FUNDS IN MISSISSIPPI

ORGANIZATION RECEIVING DONATIONS	PROGRAM FUNDED BY DONATIONS	AMOUNT DONATED	FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS	ACCUMULATED TOTAL FUNDS DONATED
MS. SPECIAL OLYMPICS 15 AREAS - \$300. EACH	All 15 Area Divisions of Ms. Special Olympics Statewide-All Counties	\$4,500.00		\$4,500.00
CHRISTIAN SERVICES CENTER	Work Training Center for Special Mentally Retarded Children (3:1)	3,751.53	11,254.59	15,006.12
SR. CARMELITA STINN Case Manager Ellisville State School	Annual Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program For Billy J. Smith	4,000.00		4,000.00
SR. CARMELITA STINN Case Manager Ellisville State School	Annual Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program For Rose Miller	4,000.00		4,000.00
SR. CARMELITA STINN Case Manager Ellisville State School	Annual Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program For Martha Brown	4,000.00		4,000.00
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION TO THE MS. MENTALLY RETARDED-1991		\$81,006.62		
TOTAL FEDERAL AND STATE MATCHING FUNDS-1991			\$115,263.54	
ACCUMULATED TOTAL RECEIVED BY THE MENTALLY RETARDED IN MISSISSIPPI-1991				\$196,270.16
ACCUMULATED TOTAL RECEIVED BY THE MENTALLY RETARDED IN MISSISSIPPI TO DATE				\$3,795,486.62

Respectfully submitted,

DAVE ATTEBERRY - State Chairman
 RICKY NAUSE - State Co-Chairman
 LARRY CAMPBELL - State Co-Chairman

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL
1991 MENTAL RETARDATION DRIVE**

COUNCIL	Number	GROSS: Income Before Deductions	NET: Income Per Member	Amount to Council for State Distribution		Recommended Goal (Net) For 1992 MND	Matching Funds 1991	Accumulated Total Funds Donated
				Net Amount	State			
MERIDIAN	802	1058.00	1058.00	6.30	793.50	264.50	1200.00	3174.00
JACKSON	868	4882.50	4480.00	41.48	3360.00	1120.00	5000.00	8360.00
VICKERSBURG	898	3376.21	2400.00	8.19	1800.00	600.00	3800.00	1800.00
HATCHES	1034	1011.50	1000.00	4.41	750.00	250.00	1400.00	750.00
BILOXI	1244	1866.64	1406.64	3.37	1054.98	351.66	2200.00	4219.92
BAY ST. LOUIS	1522	no report	0	0	0	0	1000.00	0
GULFPORT	1583	1553.00	1828.34	3.60	1078.74	359.58	1800.00	1078.76
PASCAGOULA	1605	7324.92	6462.42	21.19	4846.82	1615.60	8000.00	6846.82
HATTIESBURG	1908	2228.85	1423.85	12.49	1067.89	355.96	3000.00	1067.89
GREENVILLE	2134	1430.00	1285.00	7.22	963.75	321.25	2000.00	963.75
LAUREL	2180	3043.29	2543.29	24.69	2051.84	635.84	3500.00	1521.05
LELAND	2445	1895.92	1310.82	19.56	1907.45	327.70	2200.00	1966.24
CLARKSDALE	2469	2735.81	2735.81	10.90	983.12	683.95	3000.00	2051.86
YASOO CITY	3328	Moratorium	--	--	--	--	--	--
PASS CHRISTIAN	4472	462.00	462.00	10.27	366.50	115.50	1000.00	1366.00
LONG BEACH	4498	1816.67	1775.00	11.38	1331.25	443.75	2500.00	5325.00
GREERWOOD	5267	3621.00	3236.25	39.47	2427.18	809.07	4000.00	9708.72
CLEVELAND	5566	901.70	901.70	7.04	676.28	225.42	1800.00	3381.40
OCEAN SPRINGS	5654	907.64	735.14	5.04	551.35	183.78	1100.00	551.36
BRELEY	6555	1141.88	1084.38	25.22	813.38	271.00	1500.00	3293.32
BASSFIELD	6591	no report	0	0	0	0	1000.00	0
STARKEVILLE	6765	973.24	738.24	18.46	553.68	184.54	1500.00	2030.16
PICAYUNE	6872	5294.27	5000.00	76.92	3750.00	1250.00	6000.00	15000.00
KILN	7087	no check	0	0	0	0	1400.00	0
SOUTHAVEN	7120	3523.75	3257.81	56.17	2443.34	814.45	4000.00	2443.36
LUMBERTON	7211	no report	0	0	0	0	1500.00	0
CLINTON	7854	no report	0	0	0	0	2000.00	0
GULFPORT	7910	no report	0	0	0	0	1800.00	0
BROOKHAVEN	7915	2158.00	2131.24	36.12	1598.43	532.81	2500.00	1598.43
COLUMBUS	7974	no report	0	0	0	0	1000.00	0
PEARL	8038	no report	0	0	0	0	1200.00	0
McCOMB	8054	953.62	888.75	13.47	666.54	222.19	1200.00	1999.68
JACKSON	8285	3047.07	2759.57	39.99	2069.68	689.89	3500.00	2069.68
HOLLY SPRINGS	8760	1778.69	1703.89	20.70	1277.92	425.97	2100.00	1277.92
TUPELO	8848	12714.50	11564.50	131.41	8473.38	2891.12	14000.00	43366.90
CORINTH	8912	6412.40	5822.40	157.36	4366.80	1455.60	7500.00	4366.80
NORTH BILOXI	9094	705.03	590.03	7.76	442.52	147.51	1100.00	442.52
GAUTIER	9124	no report	0	0	0	0	1000.00	0
INDIANOLA	9234	1753.00	1241.82	32.68	931.37	310.45	2100.00	2794.11
WEST BILOXI	9409	2884.01	2539.01	28.21	1904.26	634.75	3400.00	5712.78
WEST POINT	9537	Moratorium	0	--	--	--	--	--
MADISON	9543	2033.74	1631.24	14.18	1223.43	407.81	2500.00	2444.86
WOOLMARKET	9673	745.00	745.00	13.55	558.75	186.25	1200.00	1676.25
LISANA	9958	736.94	702.44	13.25	526.83	175.61	1200.00	2235.00
BRANDON	10216	1398.50	1288.50	26.30	946.38	322.12	1700.00	946.38
GRENADE	10443	2227.41	1928.41	71.42	1446.31	482.10	2800.00	1446.31
OCEAN SPRINGS	10499	907.63	735.13	17.10	551.35	183.78	1100.00	551.35
1991 MR DRIVE		91704.33	81006.42		60755.08	20251.53	104008.95	164764.04
1990 MR DRIVE		98459.45	85180.87		63885.45	21233.34	147480.35	232461.22

INTEREST ON SAVINGS \$1179.01

NOTE: The interest on savings paid all of the expenses of the 1991 MR Drive.