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Proceedings of the
90th Annual State Convention
Mississippi State Council
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The 90th Annual State Convention of the Mississippi State Council, Knights of Columbus was convened at 6:00 p.m. with State Deputy Thomas Zettler calling the meeting to order. Father Kevin T. Slattery, State Chaplain, offered the following opening prayer.

God is one, the eternal God, none is equal to him.
Almighty and eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women outstanding, living witnesses to your unchanging love.
Moses drew water from a rock.
Elijah called down the fire of the Lord upon the offering soaked in water.
Elisha raised the dead child to life.
Jesus rose from the dead.
Lord God for centuries you have worked miracles and great feats. Intriguing and perplexing scientists and philosophers. Today we ask that you bless us who have come together to review our past deeds and prepare for another year of service to you our God, and to work for the good of all in our society. As Jefferson, Madison, and Washington, observed, a government of the people would work only as long as the people were good. So bless us with goodness. Fill us with virtue, strength and courage to choose the good. May we become virtuous by performing virtuous acts, kind by doing kind acts and brave by doing brave acts. For great feats are not just the province of saints - they often happen to unlikely people.

Make us worthy to serve humanity throughout the world who live and die in poverty and hunger. (Mother Theresa of Calcutta)
Protect us from the cowardice that dare not face new truth
From the laziness that is contented with half truth
From the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth. (Prayer from Kenya)
Where there is wrong may we bring the spirit of forgiveness;

where there is discord, harmony; error, truth; where are shadows may they bring light. (Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi)

The presence of each here tells us that the Spirit of love, truth and goodness abides among us.

In that Spirit all our good fortunes are seen as blessings and all our griefs and trials are softened.

Thank you God for the blessings of this past year for life and for love, for health and friendship.

For the rewards that have come to us from our many labors.

For our ancient traditions that flow from You our source.

We pray you to bless these us in our endeavors these next few days.

Abide with us in our comings and goings.

By day and by night, at morning and at evening, at all times and in all places, may you protect, and defend us.

From the wrath of evil people, and the assaults of evil spirits, from all low passions that beguile the soul and body, guard, protect and deliver them. (Part of Prayer to Christ/Church of India, Pakistan, Burma, & Ceylon)

May the Lord bless you with all good and keep you from all evil; May God give light to your heart with loving wisdom, and be gracious to you with eternal knowledge; may God lift up his loving countenance upon you for eternal peace. (Dead Sea Scroll)

Blessed be God.

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by John P. Meyers, P.S.D., Fourth Degree Master. Convention co-chairman Jack Cunningham, introduced Mayor A.J. Holloway of the City of Biloxi who welcomed the Knights and their ladies and guests to the City of Biloxi. State Secretary Greg Niolet gave the response on behalf of the state council to Mayor Holloway. State Deputy Thomas Zettler officially called the convention to order at 6:35 p.m. A motion was made by Brother Tom Chady of Council # 848 Vicksburg to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1993 State Convention. Motion was seconded by brother Leroy Hebert of Council #1244 Biloxi. Motion was passed unanimously. The 1993 State Convention Minutes were then passed out to all delegates in attendance.

State Deputy Thomas Zettler 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:

Committee Appointments

The committees listed below are appointed to assist in the work of the convention. Except for the credentials committee, resolutions committee, and the tellers, all committees are expected to meet at the adjournment of the second business session on Saturday, April 23, 1994, 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: CHAIRMAN: GREG NIOLET, STATE SECRETARY
Mouise Richards, #802; Don Cox, #1605; Victor Aguzzi, DD2;
Charlie Harrington, #6592; David Longo, #8285; Terry Lott, #9234;
Michael Liberto, #10443.
2. MILEAGE AND PER DIEM: CHAIRMAN: JESSE QUINN, III, STATE
TREASURER
Leon Shapley, #2945; Ben DiLorenzo, #4898; Carl Brochard, #5654;
Wade Ditcharo, #7915; Gordon Cowie, #8038; Joe Tannehill, #9234;
Buddy Honeycutt, #10443.
3. RESOLUTIONS: CHAIRMAN: GUY TODARO, Jr., STATE ADVOCATE
Stan Swentkowski, PSD; Joseph Miller, #848; William Seal, #4898;
Rodney Sandoz, PSD.
4. STATE K OF C AUDIT: CHAIRMAN: BRAD BURDEN
John Bernardi, #2134; Paul Borgognoni, #2969; Jim Heitz, #6765;
Ralph Corrado, #7974; Joe Serio, #8054; Richard Lieding, #8285;
Kerry Roberts, #10499.
5. ELECTION TELLERS: CHAIRMAN: JESSE QUINN, JR., PSD
Fred Westbrook, PSD; Dennis Ladnier, PSD.
6. GOOD OF THE ORDER: CHAIRMAN: ROY PATTERSON, STATE WARDEN
Jerry Santucci, #2945; Warren Reso, #4472; Nick Serio, #5267;
Charles Donewar, #8054; Felix Osuji, #8760; Scott Higginbotham,
#9673; Jerry Perkins, DD7.
7. CEREMONIALS: CHAIRMAN: WILEY PRICE, JR., PSD
Ivan Lambert, #848; Darren Cowart, #1034; Shelby #2; Gordon
Coker, #7120; Eddie Dixon, #8760; Anthony Moran, #9958; Warren
Doiron, DD3.
8. PUBLIC RELATIONS: CHAIRMAN: SCOTT DIBBS

Joseph Ladner, #4472; Picayune #2; Frank Dominoni, #7120; Reed Fontenot, #8848; James Leatherwood, #8912; Francis Moran, #9958; Hollis Moran, DD9.

9. MEMBERSHIP: CHAIRMAN: LOU ZYLKA, MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
Tom Chady, #898; Karl Koberger, #1583; Elbert Cuevas, #7087; Pick Nobles, #8848; Daniel Leatherwood, #8912; Larry Agostinelli, #10901; Ted Knowles, DD10; Rick Gaspard, DD4; Gene Ingram, DD1.
ALL INSURANCE AGENTS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND THIS MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

10. STATE CONVENTION: CHAIRMAN: MARVIN LOTT, PSD
Al McDevitt, #898; Joseph Kersanac, #1522; Leo Borosky, #9124; Daniel Lechner, #9409; John Lewis, #10216; William Reynolds, #10901; Richard Hoda, DD8.

11. PRO-LIFE: CHAIRMEN: ANTOINE OTTO AND JIM GLOVER
Michael Anderson, #1908; William Koeppe, #2134; Ralph Gatzman, #2180; Ferdie Callegan, #7854; Rick Penick, DD6; Thomas Timmons, #9094; Frank Whitehead, #10216.

12. SERVICE PROGRAM: CHAIRMAN: JOHN MALONEY, PROGRAM DIRECTOR

A. CHURCH: JOHN SZYMONIK
Julius Broussard, #1244; Martin Bergin, #2180; Shelby #1; Fred Roquemore, #7854; Arthur Dunn, #9094.

B. COMMUNITY: JIM YAGGI
Jim Putnam, #1583; Brian Cooper, #5267; Steve Neuman, #6765; Joel Varnado, #7910; Clinton Barron, #9124.

C. COUNCIL: LEROY HEBERT
William Geoghegan, #1034; Albert Rocconi, #5556; Picayune #1; Theodore Murray, #8038; Daniel Carroll, #9409.

D. FAMILY LIFE: JOHN BENNETT
Andrew Mitchell, #1522; Chris Daley, #6592; Ray Billeaud, #7087; Paul Reuter, #7915; Madison #2.

E. YOUTH: CHARLES UNDERWOOD
John Lang, #1908; Robert Foster, #5654; Theodore Lala, #7211; Joe Haftek, #7974; James Eriksen, #9673.
State Advocate Guy Todaro Jr. passed out all resolutions received prior to the convention.

State Deputy Thomas Zettler removed Brother Charles Bounds from the committee and appointed brother Rodney Sandoz, PSD to the

Resolutions Committee

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

The First Business Session was closed with the following prayer given by State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery.

Our Blessed Lord,
You whose power and name we invoked at the beginning of this meeting, hear us now as we prayerfully conclude our gathering this evening.
If any of us here by word or neglect has offended another, let him be sorry
and seek a union of hearts before we finally depart.
For any misunderstanding or confusion
for which any of us may have been responsible,
let him or her be sorry, so that we may depart in peace and communion.
Lord we thank you for the honor of serving others
by our presence here at this meeting.
May our service as well as our time and effort be a prayer of praise to You, our Lord and God.
May the blessing and Protection of God be upon us: in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. AMEN

The delegates adjourned for the Friday night awards ceremony.

Magr. John J. Burns Council 802
Meridian, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

Council Officers were elected in June 1993 and installed in July 1993. The following guided our council to a most successful Year:

Grand Knight	John J. Maloney
Deputy Grand Knight	David Koch
Chaplin	Father Brett
Financial Secretary	Thomas R. Zettler
Chancellor	John L. Bennett

Treasurer	Johnnie W. Walters
Warden	Pete Vining
Recorder	John Harwell
Advocate	Bob Leo
Lecturer	Scott Dibbs
Inside Guard	David Smith
Outside Guard	Joe Dicks
Trustee 3 Year	Wiley Price
Trustee 2 Year	Mouise Richards
Trustee 1 Year	Paul Carpenter
Program Director	Mouise Richards
Church Activities	Paul Carpenter
Community Activities	John L. Bennett
Family Activities	Bob Leo
Council Activities	Scott Dibbs
Youth Activities	Frank Polizzi
Membership Director	John Harwell

Council # 802 is a dynamic Council with many dedicated men who have shown by their work and support of the many charitable activities that they are the best. Our bingo which is the backbone of our fund raising takes a minimum of 20 men to operate has raised in excess of \$100,000.00 this past year. With these funds we have been able to be most successful in all five program area making charitable contributions in excess of \$50,000.00.

Major projects to enhance the council home were completed. Rewiring of the electrical system to bring it in line with current electrical codes at a cost of \$6,400.00, painting the inside main hall at a cost of \$4,000.00, painting the outside of the building at a cost of \$3,800.00, enlarging the parking area at a cost of \$11,000.00, and repairs to the front entrance at a cost of \$2,700.00 were all completed.

Because Council # 802 has been so active in the church, school, and community this year, we have had a successful membership recruitment campaign. So far we have had 17 new members and 4 reinstatements for a total of 21 new members. This represents 3 times our supreme quota. Currently we have 5 candidates awaiting initiation into our Order.

We are a dynamic group of Catholic men who are dedicated to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism and believe in and work for these principles in the five program areas as set forth by supreme council. We are ready to serve God, our fellow citizens and our country.

It has been an honor for me to serve as the Grand Knight of the Best Council in the State and possibly the Best in the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Maloney
Grand Knight, Council 802

**John T. Savage Council 848
Jackson, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

The following members were appointed to committees for 1993:

Chaplain	Rev. Mr. Arnold Pancratz
Program Director	Chester Lamparty
Membership	Fred Cunningham
Council Activities	Chester Lamparty
Community	George Saab
Family	Henry Wilson
Youth	Ivan Lambert
Church	Rev. Mr. Arnold Pancratz

1.) The 15th annual K. C. Bowl which is now known as the C. Medric Warren Memorial Invitational Basketball Tournament was held at St. Richard and St. Mary gyms on January 3-7, 1994. This netted over \$1,000.00 which makes the scholarship fund this supports have well over \$8,000.00 on hand to supply college scholarships for children of members who need such assistance.

2.) The 1993 Tootsie Roll Drive for the Mentally Retarded of Mississippi netted over \$3,100.00 for Council #848. This money goes to helping our local retardation projects which include R.E.A.C.H., Willowood Develop mental Center, and Area 8 Special Olympics.

3.) The month of August found us conducting a membership

campaign primarily at our new home, St. Peter's Cathedral. Although, we didn't get any members directly as a result, we definitely have some excellent prospects for the near future. One new member was initiated in early November.

4.) Late September found us enjoying a Sunday afternoon social on Father Balser's houseboat on the nearby Ross Barnett Reservoir. Some prospective members were also invited. We are planning to make this activity an annual affair

5.) Under church activities, we did manage to have one corporate communion at St. Peter's and on November 30, we had our memorial mass for deceased members and wives. There were five (5) that were so memorialized.

6.) The last month of 1993 found us involved in such projects as the combined Council #848 and Bishop Gerow Assembly Christmas party. We were able to raise almost \$200.00 toward helping local senior citizens in need to have a merrier Christmas. On Saturday, December 8, we rang the bell for the Salvation Army and were able to collect over \$350.00 to help the projects of this noble organization.

7.) Our fund raiser for the Priest Education Fund this year was in the form of a spaghetti dinner held at St. Richard's cafeteria on March 6, 1994. We were able to raise approximately \$1,000.00 for this worthy cause as a result.

8.) The K. C. Bowling Tournament was on the agenda, but due to the ice storm, we were not able to field a team on the alternative date. This broke Brother George Saab's record of never having missed one since he was one of those who originated this event in the early 1960's.

9.) In conjunction with our Ladies' Auxiliary, we continue to have our Covered Dish Supper on the first (1st) Tuesday of each month. Instead of having our business meeting on the second (2nd) Tuesday, as we did previously, we have combined this to the first (1st) Tuesday. The Covered Dish Supper is at 7:30 P.M. with the business meeting for the Council and the Ladies' Auxiliary starting at about 8:15 P.M. in separate meeting rooms. This has improved meeting attendance somewhat.

10.) The outlook for the future is somewhat better than the past few years. The key will be the success of our upcoming membership drive. We have some interested prospective members.

We are hoping some new blood will make Council #848 a viable force for Columbianism in the years to come.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerald G. Graham
Grand Knight

**James A. Wilson Council 898
Vicksburg, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Council 898 began its fraternal year with the election of officers and their installation by new District Deputy, Brother Warren Doiron, Jr.

Chaplain	Fr. Robert Dore
Asst. Chaplain	Jimmy Speyerer
Grand Knight	Tom Chady
Deputy Grand Knight	Tom Thornton
Financial Secretary	Chad Sonnek
Warden	Martin Hebler
Treasurer	Pete Roesch
Recorder	Greg Rottman
Advocate (Program Director)	Tony Dardeau
Chancellor	Steve Vedro
Inside Guard	Vince Chiarito
Outside Guard	Jesse Boyd
Trustee (3 year)	Al McDevitt
Trustee (2 year)	Joe McNamara
Trustee (1 year)	Bill Lauderdale
Lecturer	John Pilsits

Council 898 kicked off the new fraternal year holding its annual Independence Day family picnic on July 4th. Officers met the following week to make committee appointments and initiate plans for First, Second, and Third and Fourth Degree Exemplifications in August. Eleven new members joined in August and another reinstated to make his Second and Third Degree, and fifteen members joined the Fourth Degree. This momentum continued

throughout the year with numerous new and innovative activities including a "Meet the Principal"; Harvest Festival uniting the three local parishes for the purpose of supporting local Gateway Rescue Mission; appointment of liaison to parishes to coordinate activities between the Knights and parish councils, quarterly awards banquets; 60th anniversary of Council 898's sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop 7; and preparation for the councils 90th anniversary upcoming in May 1994. The Council voted to have the rosary weekly instead of monthly and attendance at rosary and meetings went up nearly 40 percent. A capsule of activity highlights by category is as follows:

Church Activities

1. Establish liaisons with local parishes
2. Prepared & delivered Thanksgiving dinner to retired Sisters of Mercy (60 meals)
3. Prepared & delivered Christmas dinner to retired Sisters of Mercy (60 meals)
4. Held International Family Hour of Prayer
5. Conducted monthly breakfast and clothes drive for Saltillo Mission
6. Organized and conducted fish fry for St. Paul's parish
7. Two week-long Saltillo Mission work groups
8. Built and delivered additional 25 lecterns to Saltillo Mission (total 50, thus far)
9. Held K of C Sunday at St. Michael's Church
10. Assisted in St. Michael's Ocktoberfest
11. Organized and supported St. Paul's parish hamburger social
12. Met with parishioners of Belzoni & Anguilla interested in supporting Saltillo mission
13. Design, construction, and delivery of 30 portable confessionals to Saltillo Mission
14. Held spaghetti dinner to raise funds for Seminarians (Priest Education Fund)

Community Activities

1. Held Tootsie Roll Roadblock to support mentally retarded programs
2. Coordinated and delivered monthly Meals on Wheels for Red Cross
3. Held "Meet the Mayor" night to honor Brother Joe Loviza, Vicksburg's new mayor
4. Began weekly visitation to sick and elderly
5. Hosted numerous reunions of St. Francis and St. Aloysius Alumni
6. Hosted political forum with local legislative candidates

7. Held "Meet the Principal" night welcoming incoming Parochial Principal George Valadie
8. Held Columbus Day program
9. Held Harvest Dinner to raise food and clothing for local charity
10. Designed, decorated, and constructed float for Christmas parade
11. Staffed concession for Miss Vicksburg pageant
12. Staffed concession for community concert of Mississippi Symphony Orchestra
13. Held St. Patrick's Day program
14. Prepared and served hot dogs and drinks to participants in annual Run Thru History

Council Activities

1. Recited Rosary weekly before regular business meeting
2. Held recruitment drive at St. Mary's Parish
3. Operate lounge daily
4. Bereavement committee recites KC prayers upon request
5. Host weekly "Bull" sessions for elder members
6. Hosts regular domino games
7. Held social following installation of officers
8. Held three First Degree initiations all in honor of noteworthy Knights
9. Recruited 18 new members
10. Hosted a Second, Third Degree, and Fourth Degree exemplification
11. Hosted district meeting
12. Conducted golf tournament for local members
13. Held Luau to raise funds for pool projects
14. Held Fifth Tuesday night socials and game nights
15. Held annual Christmas dance
16. Establish committee to begin preparations for council's 90th Anniversary in May 1994
17. Began bi-monthly steak suppers prior to regular business meetings
18. Participated in Knight of the Month, and Year programs with Supreme
19. Held annual Memorial Mass recognizing deceased members and their families

Family Activities

1. Participated in Family of the Month and Family of the Year program
2. Operated pool during summer break
3. Held quarterly awards covered dish suppers in recognition of

Family(s) of the Month

4. Sponsor Pool and Burgers every Friday night from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend
5. Held covered dish suppers to congregate families during spring and fall
6. Held Independence Day picnic
7. Held Labor Day picnic
8. Held fish fry to honor new initiates and their families
9. Held social after First Degree in March to honor the four new members and their families

Youth Activities

1. Organized and conducted bingo to raise funds for St. Aloysius High School band
2. Sponsored local Free Throw Contest
3. Hosted 60th Anniversary banquet for Council's sponsorship and existence of BSA Troop 7
4. Sponsor BSA Troop 7
5. Sponsor Cub Scout Pack 107
6. Sponsor Dixie Youth Baseball Team
7. Provided council grounds for St. Francis youth soccer teams
8. Provided council grounds for CYO volleyball
9. Conducted annual Easter egg hunt
10. Provided pool and council grounds to local parochial school classes for various activities
11. Assisted in annual Play-A-Day-In-May-Away parochial fundraiser by providing and cooking bar-be-que chickens
12. Provided grounds and facilities for use by both senior and junior CYO groups
13. Held Children's Christmas party
14. Initiated plans for state wide soccer tournament
15. Held Lenten Fish Frys to raise money for additional youth activities

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Chady
Grand Knight

Natchez, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

On July 12, 1993 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.

Grand Knight	Darren E. Cowart
Deputy Grand Knight	Richard Warren
Chancellor	Joe Garrity
Financial Secretary	George F. Souderes
Recorder	Henry Foggo III
Warden	Audley P. Case
Treasurer	Lewis C. Anderson Jr.
Advocate	James Bassi
Inside Guard	Cam Huff
Outside Guard	Harold Cothren
Lecturer	Patrick Dorthey
Trustee	William M. Geoghegan Jr.
Trustee	Michael Shumway
Trustee	Mike Tatum
Program Director	Richard Warren
Church Director	Patrick J. Powers
Community Director	Richard Spence
Council Director	Joe Garrity
Family Director	William M. Gelghegan Jr.
Youth Director	Walter Brown
Membership Director	Audley P. Case

The 1993-1994 fraternal year was a 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 except for the free throw contest. All mandatory reports were submitted to the supreme and state councils. We have added three new members and have several more prospects.

A brief summary of our activities for the year 1993-1994 is as follows:

Church Activities

1. Donated \$1034 to the Bishop R.O. Gerow Priest Education Fund
2. Made Council Hall available to parishes
3. Provided meal for vacation bible school picnic
4. Donated \$3100 for cross on top of St. Mary's new steeple

Community Activities

1. Participated in the annual Tootsie Roll Drive
2. Brothers actively involved in the Mayor's War on Drugs
3. Brothers cooked at fund raisers for the Pleasant Acre Day School for the Mentally Retarded
4. Council provided tables for annual chili cook off to help Natchez Children's Home

Council Activities

1. Sponsored one bowling team for league play
2. Visited sick and shut-in brothers of the council
3. Named Knight of the quarter
4. Sent out a quarterly news letter
5. Held two spaghetti benefits
6. Held an "Awards Night" to honor our life members and honorary life members with wives in attendance
7. Participated in a second and third degree initiation in Clinton, Ms
8. Helped with parish blood drive
9. Held fish fry during lent

Family Activities

1. Held a memorial service for deceased brothers attended by members and family members of the deceased brothers
2. Sent resolutions to the families of our deceased brothers
3. Provided meeting space for the Life League of Adams County
4. Announced at all meetings the names of members who were sick or those immediate families were sick
5. Invited wives to an open meeting with dinner being served

Youth Activities

1. We sponsored boy scout troops with brothers participating as scout masters
2. Brothers annually assist in coaching area baseball, football, and basketball teams
3. Sponsored a weekly work night at Cathedral football field
4. Headed the group responsible for the gates at the football field for each home game
5. Held the annual Christmas party for the children and grand children of brothers
6. Brothers directed a youth basketball program

In closing, my second term as Grand Knight and serving the brothers of Bishop R.O. Gerow Council #1034 has been a great experience and an enjoyable one. I look forward to helping our next Grand Knight and council to move forward. I would also like

to thank my officers for jobs well done!

Respectfully Submitted,

Darren E. Cowart

**Council 1244
Biloxi, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Chaplain	Rev. Tony Arguelles
Grand Knight	Julius D. Broussard
Deputy Grand Knight	John Corso Jr.
Chancellor	Mark Lamey
Advocate	Frank Tarrant
Recorder	Barry Bordelon
Warden	Billy Davis
Financial Secretary	Harry Steinwinder
Treasurer	Charles Harrison
Lecturer	Mark Blackman
Inside Guard	Robert Boney
Outside Guard	Rick Chavarria
Trustees	Curtis Harrison
	Dennis Ladnier
	Leroy Hebert

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

Church Activities: Billy Davis, Director

1. Marian Hour of Prayer was held at the Council Hall.
2. Had mass said for deceased members.
3. Made donations to the Priest's Education fund.
4. St. Louis parish held their drawdown at the KC Hall
5. Council hall was used by Bishop Howze for special meeting.
6. Under the good of the order, the Chaplain leads the membership in prayer and mediation

7. During Christmas, baskets of food were distributed to needy families of the Biloxi diocese.
8. Turkeys and hams were given to area nuns, priests and brothers.
9. Brother Mark Blackman presented Pro-Life talk.
10. Supported our Diocesan paper by taking an ad.
11. Supported local Catholic schools with donation of money and loan of council equipment.
12. Held a vocations appreciation and awareness program and dinner.
13. Sponsored clergy night social in our area.
14. Continued special support program for a local seminarian.
15. Corporate communion at five parishes.

Community Activities: Director Giraurd Darnell

1. 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 drawdown.
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.
13. Sponsored National KC Softball Tournament

Council Activities: Barry Bordelon, Director

1. Held various required programs, health program. 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 after the meeting.
3. Held numerous tournaments after the regular business meetings presenting trophies at the Knight of the Quarter dinner.
4. Sponsored a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree exemplification in August (each year)

- 5 Held council Christmas Party.
- 6 Held a New Years Eve Dance.
- 7 Sponsored softball teams and a boy scout troop.
- 8 Made numerous donations to drawdowns, state programs, advertisements in programs and other activities.
- 9 Published monthly newsletter
- 10 Weekly Bonanza drawing and monthly Friday Night Dinners.

Family Life Activities: Jerry Gollotte, Directory

1. Sponsored memorial service eulogizing deceased members.
2. Held the Family of the Month Program and selected the Family of the Year.
3. Held our annual summer family picnic.
4. Held annual Family Halloween party.

Youth Director: Rick Chavarria, Director

1. Support and sponsor Boy Scout Troop 213 for sixty two 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 Funds which provides toys at Christmas time.
5. Sponsor youths to Boys and Girls State.
6. Sponsor program for Cub, Boy and Girl Scout Religious Awards
7. Sponsored childrens Easter Egg Hunt.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julius Broussard
Grand Knight

**Pere le Duc Council 1522
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi
No Report Submitted**

**Bishop Gunn Council 1583
Gulfport, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Tom Zettler
State Deputy
State of Mississippi

Dear Worthy State Deputy:

Our year started off with installation of officers for the 3rd degree and the Ladies Auxiliary on July 16th, 1993 and has not slowed down since. The thrust of the year was "To Be The Best We Could Be." A social emphasis was placed on family life of the council. We had a family thanksgiving dinner, a family Christmas dinner, a family picnic, a childrens Easter egg hunt, a childrens Christmas party complete with Santa Claus.

The Squires were very active not only in their projects and outings but were very helpful to the Knights by assisting them in projects throughout the year. We initiated one of the Squires into the 1st degree several months ago.

We were able to assist many charities this past year due to the hard work of our fund raisers such as bingo, catering, and ushering at the coliseum and the casinos. The largest amount we gave to charity was \$5,000 to St. John High School to assist them in the purchase of a new school bus. We were able to assist almost all the people who come to us with requests.

Due to our close relationship with the clergy and religious in our Jurisdiction we worked especially hard to assist them in any manner we could. We had our annual Clergy and Religious appreciation dinner, sponsored a dinner for the Carlow Priests at their annual convention, cooked and served the food for the Presentation Sisters Irish gala fund raiser for their new home. We never turned down a request to assist them.

The year has been fast paced and even though there are only two months left in the fraternal year we are still "Blowing and Going" til the last minute.

My success as a Grand Knight, if any, has been the hard work of my committee people and the workers who wanted to see the council

grow and be the best it could be.

Respectfully submitted,

James L. Putnam
Grand Knight

**Monsignor P.J. Carey Council 1605
Pascagoula, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

On August 8, 1993 the newly elected officers were installed by our worthy District Deputy Ted Knowles:

Chaplain	None
Grand Knight	D.F. Cox
Deputy Grand Knight	J.L. McCarty
Recorder	J.J. Leblanc
Financial Secretary	B.R. Frederic
Treasurer	M.C. Frederic
Chancellor	F.T. Clark
Warden	W.V. Langston
Lecturer	J.F. Szymonik
Advocate	C. Muse
Inside Guard	D. Weber
Outside Guard	R. Boudreaux
Trustees	T.V. Knowles
	J. Zirpola
	G.S. Todaro

The following members were appointed as program directors and committee chairmen:

Program Director	J.L. McCarty
Church Activities	J.J. Leblanc
Community Activities	C. Muse
Council Activities	W. Langston
Family Activities	T.V. Knowles
Membership Director	F. Clark
Youth Activities	G. Todaro
Membership Director	F. Clark

The council achieved success in gaining new members (a total of 13), however retention was a problem due to the loss of seven (7).

Church Activities: J.J. Leblanc, Director

1. Several council members assisted at Mass as lectors, eucharistic ministers in five parishes.
2. Council supported 2 seminarians with a donation of \$35 each month
3. Donation of \$350 to Priest Education Fund
4. Donation of \$1000 to Monsignor Mullin Scholarship Fund at Resurrection School.
5. Monthly corporate communion
6. Rosary Rally- Biloxi Ms, attendance
7. Bi-weekly rosary prior to all meetings

Community Activities: C. Muse

1. Tootsie Roll drive
2. Blood drive
3. Drug awareness social and speaker
4. Sponsored petition drive to get EWTN on cable channel
5. Hosted St. Patrick's day dinner and dance
6. Erected manger scene at local hospital

Council Activities: W. Langston

1. Hosted state softball tournament
2. Membership drive, monthly after each corporate communion
3. Decorated float in K of C theme at Mardi-Gras parade
4. Health program with doctor in attendance as guest speaker
5. Fraternal benefits program

Family Activities: T. Knowles, Director

1. Sponsored memorial service for deceased members
2. Adult Christmas party
3. Pro-Life social
4. 4th of July picnic
5. Selection of family of the month and year

Youth Activities: G. Todaro

1. Sponsored Boy Scout troop and furnished scout hut
2. Contributed to CYO groups
3. Youth Christmas party
4. Hosted youth retreat at council home

Closing remarks:

Our council continued to prosper and grow from the seeds planted and nurtured by the past grand knight, Ted Knowles. We had an active year thanks to my deputy grand knight Jimmy McCarty; he was a vital aid to me filling in my absence due to work conflicts. The Ladies Auxiliary was also a big asset both in a financial and physical work way.

I enjoyed my year as grand knight and I owe a great deal of gratitude to my fellow officers and committee chairman. It is only through their hard work that we had a successful year, and to all my brother knights and their families. Thank you for allowing me to be your grand knight.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald F. Cox

**Bishop Fahey Council 1908
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Officers:

Chaplain	Father Charles Venus
Grand Knight	Michael Anderson
Deputy Grand Knight	Joseph B. Goellner Sr.
Chancellor	Jimmy Brannon
Recorder	Rob Eddy
Financial Secretary	Michael Bucciantini PGK
Lecturer	Dennis Kramer
Advocate	Phil Hunt
Warden	John Zambrano, PGK, PFN
Inside Guard	Bill Kerley
Outside Guard	Bob Bateman
Trustees	Louis Skiets PGK
	John Lang, PGK
	Tommy Roconni, PGK

Directors:

Program Director	Joe Goellner
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Church Director Rob Eddy
 Family Director Phill Graff
 Community Director Jimmy Brannon
 Council Director Alvin Justiliaw
 Youth Director Joey Hoda

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

1. Sponsored two blood drives
2. State Tootsie Roll campaign for the mentally retarded
3. Participated in the Pine Belt Life Chain
4. Participated in Pro-Life Symposium
5. Raised \$1000 from benefit pancake breakfast for a catholic youth undergoing test for cancer
6. Sponsored Boy and Cub scout troop
7. Sponsored Blue & Gold Banquet
8. Hosted Pine Wood Derby
9. Brothers serve as scout leaders
10. Sponsored Annual Scout roundup for thirty scouts and families
11. Provide use of hall and ground for Boy Scouts meetings
12. Sponsored cookout & swim party for CYO
13. Sponsored two boys state representatives
14. Sponsored childrens Christmas Party to donate toys to needy families
15. Helped distribute food to the needy
16. Donate to local Right to Life group
17. Brothers participate in Right to Life garage sale
18. Brothers work with St. Vincent de Paul
19. Donated \$250 to 1-800-number for Pro-Life
20. Held golf tournament for Pro-Life
21. Held golf tournament for Christian Services
22. Donated \$250 to Christian Services
23. Council youth director and wife serve as advisors for Catholic youth groups
24. Sponsored two "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" billboards
25. Sponsored family spaghetti dinner in the honor of National Family Week
26. Sponsored membership drives in area parishes
27. Sponsored a fraternal benefits night with a program on wills and insurance
28. Sponsored barbecue to thank all Tootsie Roll drive workers
29. Sponsored clean up day to repair KC Hall grounds
30. Sponsored program for visitation of the sick and elderly members of the council and parishes
31. Council participated in "Game Night" at the Civitan camp

for retarded children

32. Donated \$50 to Hattiesburg Police Departments " Shop with a Cop" program for needy children
33. Donated \$60 to Hattiesburg Lions Club for childrens program
34. Donated \$100 to Saltillo Mission
35. Donated \$200 to purchase books for Sacred Heart School library
36. Council organized & provided labor to construct and install 30 classroom computer learning centers for Sacred Heart School
37. Donated funds to purchase materials for computer centers
38. Purchased sand and topsoil & provided labor to spread sand and topsoil to repair Sacred Heart School playground
39. Donated \$150 to purchase two utility carts for Sacred Heart School

In the area of the Church Service, we provided the following:

1. Brothers serving as lectors, commentators, choir, and eucharistic ministers
2. Brothers serve on school board
3. Brothers serve on PTO
4. Brothers serve as CCD teachers
5. Sponsor Holy Family Hour of Prayer
6. Donated \$50 to Retired Priest fund
7. Council organized & provided labor to set up, work and remove booths for the Sacred Heart Parish Seafood Jamboree
8. Council organized, provide labor to set up, work and remove booths for the Sacred Heart Parish Fall Festival
9. Sponsored Memorial Mass service for deceased members
10. Sponsored K of C family Mass of corporate communion

In the area of the council and family activities, we provided the following:

1. Held annual Christmas awards banquet
2. Held monthly family night supper at KC Hall
3. Hosted Crawfish Boil after Tootsie Roll drive
4. Hosted barbecue for families after cleanup day
5. Held quarterly K of C family mass
6. Provide pool for family activities

As outgoing Grand Knight I would like to take this opportunity to thank all officers and members for their hard work in making this organization a success. It has been a honor and real pleasure to serve as Grand Knight. As I have said before, this council has a proud history and a bright future.

Peace & Prosperity.

Michael W. Anderson
Grand Knight

**Father Korstenbroek Council 2134
Greenville, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Chaplain	Father Patrick Ferrell
Grand Knight	John Paul Bernardi
Deputy Grand Knight	John Condello
Chancellor	James Warren
Recorder	Charles Ammons
Financial Secretary	Robert Fratesi
Treasurer	Bill Koeppe
Advocate	Claude Marchesini
Inside Guard	Phillip Wallace
Outside Guard	Peter Mandolini
Trustees	Maynard Chandler Ed Futey Charles Harmon

1. Bingo - Saturday nights - main source of income - help our Priest Education Fund.
2. Tootsie Roll drive - members man post at business entrance.
3. Horseshoe tournament - members and friends.
4. Held 5th Wednesday social - (wife or date invited).
5. Brothers served on School Board.
6. Brothers help with ticket sales at football games and worked in concession stand.
7. Recognition night - to honor all those deserving brothers (wife or date invited).
8. Help Ladies with Las Vegas night - benefit - St. Vincent DePaul.
9. Held annual Christmas party for children of parish.
10. Held annual Easter egg hunt for children of parish.
11. Held 1st Degree initiation.
12. Built Boy Scout hut with Brother Knights doing most of the

work.

13. Third Wednesday of month - member social meeting.
14. Set up and take down parish fair booth.
15. Brothers operated booth at fair (Knights of Columbus booth).
16. Brothers cooked the spaghetti sauce, meatballs, with help of ladies - served over 2000 plates.
17. Placed crosses on Highway 82 between Greenville and Leland to make people aware of abortion.
18. Cooked hamburgers for new members of parish.
19. Sponsor Boy Scout troop.
20. Held free throw contest (64 children).
21. Work day - clean grounds.
22. Work day - after ice storm.
23. Memorial services held for deceased Brothers.
24. Donated to students against drunk driving.
25. Roses sent to Washington for Life Program.
26. Aggravation tournament - pot luck meal.
27. Marian hour of prayer.
28. Held raffle to help with scout hut.
29. Collected canned food for soup kitchen.
30. Held spaghetti dinner for Priest Education Fund.

Respectfully submitted

John Bernardi
Grand Knight

Laurel Council 2180
Laurel, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

C. G. Shapley Council 2945
Leland, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

On July 21, 1993 the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy District Deputy, Warren Doiron Jr. A steak dinner followed and was enjoyed by members and their wives.

The following officers were installed:

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

Jerry Santucci died in January and John M. Santucci was appointed as our Council's Lecturer for the rest of the year.

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

Program Director	Richard P. Columbus
Church Activities	Frank P. Aldridge
Community Activities	Leon J. Shapley
Council Activities	Mike P. Columbus, Sr.
Family Activities	Lando Fratesi
Youth Activities	Anthony P. Santucci
Membership Director	Mike P. Columbus, Sr.

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

Membership:

We have initiated 1 new member to our council during the fraternal year.

Initiated	1 Members
Reactivated	0 Members
Readmission	0 Members

Reapplication	0 Members
Reinstated	0 Members
Suspension	0 Members
Transfer to council	0 Members
Transfers from council	1 Members
Withdrawn in good standing	0 Members
Deaths in council	1 Member

As of April 1, 1994, we have a total of 67 Members in our council. 63 active and 4 inactive members.

Church Activities:

- A. Donated \$1000.00 to the Priest Education Fund, (proceeds from the catfish fry)
- B. Purchased a \$100.00 raffle ticket for the Annual Parish Bazaar.
- C. Brother Knights led the congregation in the praying of the Rosary after Mass every Saturday and Sunday during the Months of May and October.
- D. Had Mass offered for deceased parish members.
- E. Provided liturgy team, which includes; Lector, Commentator, Ushers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Gift Bearers, for Sunday Mass every 1st Sunday of the Month.
- F. Provided Church the weekly church bulletins.
- G. Provided the use of the K.C. Hall for Senior Citizens Mass, every 1st Friday of the Month.
- H. Sponsored a large billboard "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS " on Hwy 82 between Greenville and Leland.
- I. Sponsored a large billboard "PEACE BE TO YOU" Easter billboard on Hwy 82 between Greenville and Leland.
- J. Conducted the "MARION HOUR OF PRAYER", in the church.
- K. Sponsored "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" radio spots on local radio stations, in Greenville.
- L. Made a \$100.00 donation to local Priest, who had to return to Ireland, for a funeral.
- M. Made a \$100.00 donation to the parish to help toward the expenses in refinishing the floor in the Catholic Youth Center.
- N. Made a \$100.00 donation to the St. James Catholic Church building fund, in the name of Jerry Santucci, as a memorial.
- O. Gave a gift of appreciation to the church sec., who was moving with her family to Starkville. K.C. wall crucifix.

Community activities:

- A. Participated in the State-Wide Tootsie Roll Drive to raise funds for the mentally retarded. We raised approximately

\$2,000.00.

- B. Aired The Columbus Day Message from the Supreme Knight on local radio station, W.B.A.Q., in Greenville.
- C. Volunteered the use of our Council Hall to the Community in the event of disaster.
- D. Allowed civic organizations to use the Council Hall free of charge.
- E. Rented Council Hall to persons having parties for a small fee.
- F. Took poinsettia plants to members of our parish who were in the nursing homes, at Christmas Time.
- G. Gave a Savings Bond of \$50.00 to the 1st baby born, in Kings Daughters Hospital, in Greenville on October 12th, in honor of the 501st anniversary of Christopher Columbus discovery of the America's.
- H. Sponsored a large ANTI-ABORTION BILLBOARD, which was put up on HWY 82 East between Greenville and Leland. (2 Times)
- I. Sponsored along with the Greenville K.C.'s and the Greenville Right to Life, 30 five foot White Crosses on the intersection of HWY 82 East and St. Christopher Road, to commemorate the Death of the UNBORN, on the Anniversary of the SUPREME COURT RULING that legalized abortion in this country.

Council Activities:

- A. Sponsored nurses to take blood pressure of K.C. members and all of the parish members after Masses on a weekend in May and September.
- B. Conducted an insurance program featuring Jerry Woods, our area agent, followed by a social.
- C. Sold hamburgers and Pepsi Cola's at the Annual Leland Arts & Craft Festival.
- D. Sold several football pools and raffles.
- E. Stevedored delegates to the State K.C. Convention.
- F. Held a drawing for a cash prize at each meeting to encourage attendance at meetings.
- G. Maintained an active telephone committee to enhance participation in council activities.
- H. Purchased a 1/2 page ad in the State Convention Program Book.
- I. Participated in the State K.C. Bowling Tournament.
- J. 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.
- K. Sent Members to the District Meetings.
- L. Members of our 1st Degree Team helped neighboring Council put on their 1st degree initiation.

- M. Gave wedding gifts to 2 of our Council Members that got married, during the year.
- N. Gave Rosary Rings and Lapel Pins to the members that led the congregation in the praying of the Rosaries, in May and in October.
- O. Hosted one of our District Meetings.

Youth Activities:

- A. Held honorary dinner for graduating Catholic High School seniors of our Parish.
- B. Presented Bibles to our graduating seniors (6).
- C. Presented The C. G. Shapley Sportsmanship Award to a high school senior, John Flowers.
- D. Sponsored annual Easter Egg Hunt, for the young children of our Parish that were in the 3rd Grade and under.
- E. Held a local basket ball free-throw contest.
- F. Presented graduation medals with a ribbon, to each of the high school graduates of our parish.
- G. Presented "Altar Servers Award" certificates to 2 high school Seniors who served as altar boys until they graduated from high school.
- H. Maintained a personal representative on the District Drug Free School Advisory Committee. (Our Council has a seat because of our work with Drugs).
- I. Sponsored a Santa Claus program for the young children of the parish.

Family Life:

- A. Held memorial services for deceased members.
- B. Sponsored a RIGHT-TO-LIFE booth at the Annual Parish Bazaar.
- C. Held a social for members and their wives at our Installation of Officers.
- D. Held a Columbus Day Social for members and their wives.
- E. Chose a "Family of the Quarter" 4 Times and a "Family of the Year".
- F. Held a Christmas party and social for members and wives.
- G. Sent GET-WELL Cards, ANNIVERSARY Cards and NEW PARENTS Cards to Members.
- H. Placed anniversary announcements of members on the local radio station.

Conclusion:

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as the Grand Knight of C.G. Shapley Council # 2945, in Leland 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,

Jerry W. Santucci
Grand Knight

**Msgr McKenna Council 2969
Clarksdale, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

To State Grand Knight Tom Zettler, Greg Niolet State Secretary

I Paul D. Borgognoni assumed the officer of Grand Knight, July 1994.

My first concerns were to make each individual knight feel more important to our council as a participating knight. Working towards this goal, I opened all doors and invited all interested knights to attend the trustees and officers meetings as observants. They could not speak or interfere unless they were directly called upon.

I also appointed a House Advisory Committee and invited all interested members to attend these meetings with the same conditions to observe unless they were directly called upon. The Advisory Committee would make recommendations to trustees.

To help gain attendance at our regular meeting, I appointed Albert Borgognoni and Jack Morganti to the food committee. They were to prepare refreshments to be served after the meetings for a social hour. The store they worked at prepares ready to eat food for a fee of \$50.00 or less. Attendance improved, and we have gained approximately (10) ten new knights at our regular meetings.

Our Program Chairman has been very active in promoting :

- (A) Free Throw Basketball
- (B) Easter Egg Hunt
- (C) Pro-Life
- (D) The Hour Of Adoration etc. at the church
- (E) Council Chaired Bowling Team
- (F) Softball team
- (G) Baseball team
- (H) Sponsor C.Y.O.

Our Chancellor has been very active with other activities as well as fund-raising events.

Jame Ulmer has published a newsletter each month.

We have sponsored Boys and Girls State and donated to numerous charities.

We also were responsible for bringing the Icon to the church for observance.

I humbly submit this report as of this date for the term of 1993-1994.

Paul D. Borgognoni
Grand Knight

**Msgr. Leech Council 4472
Pass Christian, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

The Installation of officers was held in August of 1993, at our Council Hall. Following the installation was a steak dinner attended by members, wives and guest.

The officers for Msgr. Leech Council for the fiscal year 1993-1994 are:

Chaplain.....	Msgr. Ronald P. Herzog
Grand Knight.....	Warren A. Reso
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Emmett Mc Keough

Financial Secretary.....Joseph L. Ladner
 Chancellor.....Eddie Peterson
 Recorder.....Francis G. Tribble
 Treasure.....Thomas Anthony
 Advocate.....Terry Mc Keough
 Warden.....Revernal Ladner
 Trustees(1 Year).....Greg Niolet
 (2 Year) Lawrence Yarbrough
 (3 Year) Edgar Menard

Church Activities:

Sponsored Radio broadcast of Sunday morning Mass.
 Sponsored Marian Hour of Prayer.
 Held First Communion breakfast for the Children and their families.

Community Activities:

Participated in the state sponsored Tootsie Roll Drive.
 Held 2 blood drives at the Council Hall for the Red Cross.
 Donated the use of Council Home to the Police and Fire Departments.

Council Activities:

Donated \$500.00 to Priest Education Fund.
 Council sponsored 1st, 2nd, and third Degree Teams.
 Held a 1st Degree exemplification.
 Hosted Mardi Gras party for retarded children.
 Performed maintenance services at St. Paul School.
 Gave two \$500.00 scholarships, 1 to a male student and 1 to a female student, from St. Paul School to assist them in attending St. Stanislaus and Our Lady Academy.

Youth Activities:

Sponsored Girls Youth Basketball at Our Lady Academy.
 Made a \$200.00 donation to the Cheshire Kids Square Dance Team from the Cheshire Home for Retarded Children.

Family Activities:

Council sponsored Memorial Service for deceased members.
 Council sponsors monthly family dinners.
 Council assist departed Brother's families during funeral.

Our goal this year was retention and recruitment. With the help of our Brother Knights we have obtained our goal.

Our Council officers, chairmen and directors provided the Grand Knight with the necessary reports which were filed within Supreme and State guidelines.

Two of our members attended the School of Columbianism held in Pearl.

In closing, I would like to thank our members, chairmen and directors for their support and efforts in carrying out the work of the Knights of Columbus Pass Christian and the State of Mississippi. I would especially like to thank Brothers Tom Anthony, Greg Niolet, Lessie Ladner and Reveral Ladner for their many hours of work and support this year.

It has been an honor and 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,

Warren A. Reso

**St. Vincent de Paul Council 4898
Long Beach, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Worthy State Deputy,

On July first a new slate of officers took office. Those officers were:

Ben Dilorenzo	Grand Knight
Bill Hinck	Deputy Grand Knight
Bill Seal III	Chancellor
Norman McDonald	Treasurer
Leonard Nahlen	Warden
Fr. Louie Lohan	Chaplin

Walt Abbidie	Recorder
Paulino Carrubba	Inside Guard
Norman Rheaume	Outside Guard
Pete Carrubba	Advocate
Frank Castiglia	Lecturer

After being installed by the State Secretary, Greg Niolet, we began work on the new year. In Sept. we held our annual family picnic. This years picnic was attended by some 40 members and their families. In October, we honored our Knight of the Quarter at a Banquet. The checks for the money collected at the tootsie roll drive were distributed as well. November saw us honor our deceased members at a mass celebrated by our Chaplain, Fr. Lohan. Grocery store gift certificates were distributed to needy families at Thanksgiving. Certificates were also distributed at Christmas. A Christmas party and dance was held for the members in December. In January we sponsored our free throw contest, and the winners went on to compete at state. We held a pot luck supper for all members and their families, and presented a program on fraternal benefits. In march we held a membership drive with an appeal at all the Sunday Masses. This drive was moderately successful. The council was represented by two teams at the State Bowling Tournament in Clarksdale this Year. We also participated in the softball tournament this year. Our Good Friday fish fry turned out to be a big success this year. Proceeds being used to help with convention expenses for members.

Throughout the year we have maintained our support of the church and St. Thomas School through donations and man hours. Members have served on many church and school committees.

Many of our members and their families serve as ushers, lectors, commentators, and eucharistic ministers through out the year. We have continued monthly support of the Long Beach food pantry with donations and volunteer work. We have also supported the Morning Star Pregnancy center this year. We have again sponsored the local girls softball league and Dixie youth baseball. Members of the council serve as advisors for St. Thomas CYO as well.

Membership has fallen off this year due to a number of suspensions. All efforts to regain these members, or new members to replace them, were only slightly successful. For the rest of this year and throughout next we will continue to strive for new members. Membership is the life blood of any organization, and the outstanding members of this council help to make my job as

Grand Knight, so much easier.

Fraternally,

Ben J. DiLorenzo
Grand Knight

**Msgr. John F. Clerico Council 5267
Greenwood, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

As another year is drawing to a close, it is my pleasure to report our officers, chairman, and a few of our activities for 1993-1994.

On July 7, 1993 the following officers were installed by district deputy Vic Aguzzi Jr.

Chaplain	Msgr Thad Harkins
Grand Knight	Nick Serio
Deputy Grand Knight	Kevin Vanderlip
Chancellor	Tony Roberts
Warden	Jerry Bell
Financial Secretary	Nick Joseph
Treasurer	Bryan Cooper
Recorder	Harvey Caldwell
Advocate	Ewing Henson
Inside Guard	Johnny Lusco
Outside	Ronnie Ola
Trustee	Orlando Fratesi

The following knights served as activity chairman.

Program Chairman	Kevin Vanderlip
Membership Chairman	Jesse Quinn III
Church Activity	Bobby Vandevender
Community Activity	Brad Burden

Council Activity Jesse Quinn Jr.
 Family Activity Bryan Cooper
 Youth Activity Tony Roberts

Church Activities:

1. On-going tithing to the church
2. Council supports and provides maintenance for church and parish center.
3. Council provided ushers for Midnight Mass.
4. Council sponsored Marion Hour of Prayer in honor of the Holy Family.
5. Council held BBQ chicken dinner for a fund raiser for the education of future priest.

Community Activities:

1. Council held annual Tootsie Roll drive.
2. Knights visited elderly and sick in local nursing home.
3. Council supported Habitat for Humanity.

Council Activities.

1. Council sponsored local softball team.
2. Held 1st degree exemplifications.
3. Council attended state convention in Tupelo, Ms.
4. Council held installation of officers.
5. Council sponsored concession stand at Annual Crop Day.
6. Council participates in VIP program.
7. Council sponsored Supreme Knights Columbus Day address on WABG radio.
8. Council sponsored fraternal benefits night information night with a social following for members and their families.
9. Council sponsored local basketball team.
10. Knights attended midwinter meeting.

Family Activities.

1. Council ran ad in local newspaper in support of unborn babies.
2. Council sponsored trip to Biloxi Ms for members and their wives.
3. Council sponsored steak supper for members and their families and potential members.
4. Council held surprise birthday party for Msgr Thad Harkins.
5. Council sponsored a Mass for deceased members.
6. Council members and families attended Pro Life Rally in Jackson Ms.
7. Council donated moneies to the Ricky Baker family whose house

was destroyed by fire.

Youth Activities.

1. Council sponsored CYO fund raiser for St. Jude.
2. Council held local free throw contest.
3. Council sponsored spaghetti supper for CYO.
4. Council sponsored Easter egg hunt for Sunday School classes.

These are just a few of the many activities our council members were involved in this past fraternal year. As I get ready to hand the gavel to a new Grand Knight this July, I would like to take this time to thank all brothers knights in Council 5267 for the support they have given me. These past two years have been a very challenging time and with the help of all the activity directors and their families our council would not have been able to achieve what we have over the course of the year.

I also would like to thank all the wives of our council who helped in most all fund raisers and council activities, thanks for your patiences and help all of you gave to this office. Also, I would like to thank my wife and children Glo, Ashely, and Nick for their support and sacrifice they have given me over the last two years.

Thanks to District Deputy Deputy Vic Aguzzi Jr. and State Deputy Tom Zettler, and most of all thanks to almighty God for giving me the opportunity to serve the Knights of Columbus and everything we stand for. May God bless all our brother knights and their families and help all to do his work.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Serio
Grand Knight

**Father Rotondo Council 5556
Clevand, Mississippi**

Grand Knight Report

On July 28, 1993, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy Vic Aguzzi, Jr. at a social/dinner for Brother Knights and their wives at the council home.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplin	Father Charles Bucciantini
Grand Knight.....	Ben T. Bailey, Jr.
Deputy Grand Knight.....	Vic Aguzzi, Jr.
Financial Secretary.....	Marvin Lott
Chancellor.....	Albert Rocconi, Jr.
Recorder.....	Johnny Capocaccia
Treasurer.....	Monty Barbati
Advocate.....	Daniel Barfield
Warden.....	Jody Rocconi
Inside Guard.....	Michael Rocconi
Outside Guard.....	Jerry Borgognoni
Trustee (one year).....	Ron Koehler
Trustee (two year).....	Albert Rocconi, Jr.
Trustee (three year).....	Ben T. Bailey, III.

The following members served as committee chairmen:

Program Director.....	Lawrence Henson
Church Activities.....	Lawrence Henson
Community Activities.....	David Rocconi
Council Activities.....	Ronnie Aguzzi
Youth Activities.....	Gary Gainspolletti
Family Activities.....	Doug Cocilova
Membership Director.....	Henry Mosco

A summary of the program activities follows:

Church Activities:

1. Held Family Hour of Prayer on 12/27/93.
2. Brother Knights worked at the Parish Picnic.
3. Five Brother Knights are actively involved in the Cursillo program.
4. Two Brother Knights serve as musicians during parish masses.
5. Brother Knight serves as RCIA team Leader.

6. Brother Knights participate in the church choir.
7. Brother Knights are solely responsible for ushers at each mass.
8. Two Brother Knights are in charge of the Parish grounds.
9. Five Brother Knights serve on the Pastorial Council.
10. Two Brother Knights are actively involved in the Kairos Prison Ministry.
11. Brother Knights assembled and removed the Parish outdoor Navity scene.
12. Sent cash donation to the Parish Priest.
13. Donated \$500.00 to the Priest Education Fund.

Community Activities:

1. Raised money for the mental retardation program, receiving matching funds.
2. Donated \$75.00 to the County Crosstie Arts Council.
3. Promoted Columbus Day with message on local radio.
4. Held fundraising benefit for local youngster injured in an accident.
5. Made and delivered Christmas packages to Parchman Prison inmates.
6. Sponsored softball team that participated in the Cleveland church softball league.
7. Brother Knight serves as city alderman.
8. Due to ice storm, spaghetti supper was cancelled after food was cooked and food was donated to feed disaster relief workers and ice storm victims. Knights also helped serve meals.

Council Activities:

1. Held a 2nd blood drive in '93 at the request of Mississippi Blood Services.
2. Organized and held 3 football pools as a fundraiser.
3. Provided Hospitality Room at the State Convention.
4. Insurance Benefits Night held for knights and wives with social and dinner.
5. Held annual blood drive at Council home in Feb. '94.
6. Sponsored Spaghetti Supper (re-scheduled in March after ice storm cancelled the 1st attempt)-- served over 1200 people.
7. Held Calcutta Bocci Tournament as a fundraiser with dinner.
8. Monthly social and supper held for Knights on the 4th Wednesday each month.
9. Sponsored New Year's Eve Dance for Knights & friends in the community.
10. Allow the use of K of C home at a discount rate to aid

fundraising groups.

11. Brother Knight serves on the volunteer fire department.
12. Held installation of council officers with social and dinner for knights and families.
13. Encouraged as many Brother Knights & wives as possible to attend the State Convention.
14. Purchased ad in the 1994 State Convention Booklet.

Family Activities:

1. Held a memorial service for deceased Knights at Our Lady of Victories Church.
2. Selected a family of the month each month.
3. Sent get-well cards to hospitalized or sick Knights and their families.

Youth Activities:

1. Sponsored local Free-Throw contest.
2. Participated in the State Free-Throw Tournament.
3. Brother Knight serves as sponsor for CYO.
4. Brother Knight helped with CYO Halloween Carnival.
5. Brother Knight chaperoned youth group to Saltillo Mission in Mexico.
6. Sponsored youth to Boy's State.
7. Sponsored youth to Girl's State.
8. Sponsored 2 girls to local Charity Ball.
9. Brother Knight conducted Altar server formation and practice session for parish.
10. Sponsored senior breakfast for Parish Seniors.
11. Sponsored breakfast for Altar Boys.
12. Brother Knights coach in the Little League Baseball program.
13. Brother Knights coach in the Cleveland Park Commission Football program.
14. Brother Knights coach in the Cleveland Soccer league.
15. Brother Knight conducted a hunter safety course for youth.

It has been an honor for me to serve as the Grand Knight of Cleveland Council #5556. A Grand Knight depends on the work and dedication of the Council's members and our Council's success is attributed to those members whose tireless efforts continue to push us forward year after year. Thank You to all the officers, chairmen and council members who supported our activities. A special thanks to Vice Supreme Master Marvin Lott, District Deputy Vic Aguzzi, Jr. and Brother Ron Koehler for the advice and direction they so often provided.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben T. Bailey, Jr.
Grand Knight

**F.L. Westbrook Council 5654
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

On July 8, 1993, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy Ted V. Knowles with a social/dinner for Brother Knights and wives to follow at the Council Home.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. James J. Hannon
Grand Knight	Robert Foster
Deputy Grand Knight	Louisa D'Andrea
Financial Secretary	Irwin Obernuefemann
Chancellor	Rick Rosonet
Recorder	Steve Howell
Treasurer	Frank Szczepanski
Advocate	Billy McKnight
Warden	Buddy Cupit
Inside Guard	Fred Howell
Outside Guard	Ronald Brochard
Trustees	
1 year	Don Graham
2 years	Ken Swanson
3 years	Carl Brochard

The following members serve as committee chairmen:

Program Director	Carl Brochard
Community	Louisa D'Andrea
Council	Buddy Cupit
Youth	Joe Niezgoda
Family	Richard Tinsley

Church Activities Antoine Otto
Membership Director Bernard McGinley

A summary of the program activities follows:

Church Activities

1. (4) Brother Knights serve as RCIA team leaders
2. (3) Brother Knights serve in choir
3. At least (2) Brother Knights serve as ushers at every Mass
4. (2) Brother Knights are instructors for CCD
5. (3) Brother Knights serve on the Parish Council
6. (1) Brother Knight volunteers at least 30 hours a week helping out with various duties at the church
7. Donated \$1,000.00 to St. Alphonsus Scholarship Fund for under-privileged children to go to Catholic school
8. Brother Knights conducted blood drive for parish
9. Donated \$1,500.00 to the Priest Education Fund
10. Sponsored monthly Corporate Communion
11. Sponsored Marian Hour of Prayer
12. Prayed the Rosary every Wednesday during November
13. Provided liturgy team members: lector, commentators, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers and gift bearers each week
14. Presented vocations awareness night for CCD students
15. Provided coffee and doughnuts every Sunday after Masses
16. Sponsored large cross "Keep Christ in Christmas"
17. Donated \$500.00 at Christmas for poor families
18. Brother Knights visited and took the Eucharist to shut-ins
19. Brother Knights provided transportation for disabled persons to Sunday Mass

Community Activities

1. Held "Policeman and Fireman of the Year" (4) award/dinner
2. Sponsored "Just Say No" drug awareness program with city police
3. Held health program blood pressure, CPR treatment
4. Helped support and maintain Domestic Abuse Family Shelter
5. Help fund raisers for St. Vincent de Paul Society
6. Participated in Tootsie Roll Drive
7. Participated in Columbus Day Program
8. Council sends sympathy cards and flowers to family members of sick or deceased Brother Knights

9. Council sponsors a weekly bingo
10. Brother Knight assisting in building and repairing homes for Habitat for Humanity

Family Activities

1. K.C. members presented anti-abortion programs for families and CCD students
2. "Family of Month" awarded monthly
3. Held a memorial service in November for deceased Knights at Council Home
4. Sponsored social dinners for the families of K.C. members
5. In closing of these activities, we tell every member that this Council (F. L. Westbrook 5654) is a family participation council - not just for the men
6. Held Easter egg hunt

Youth Activities

1. Support St. Alphonsus and St. Elizabeth Seton C.Y.O. for their mission activities in Mexico (Held appreciation dinner in conjunction with Council 10499)
2. Let the Girl Scouts use the Council Home for various functions
3. Sponsored youth dances
4. Support the Squires in our Council Home
5. Held "Free Throw" contest
6. Accompanied youth to "Free Throw" tournament
7. Brother Knight accompanied Squires to Tunica, MS, to build house for Habitat for Humanity

There are many more worthy projects that we worked on and I would like to thank every member for all the support they have given me for the past three years and for all of the tireless hours they have devoted to the Knights of Columbus.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Foster
Grand Knight

**Shelby Council 6555
Shelby, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Our council is one of the smallest in the state. It is an honor for me to submit the Grand Knight Report for the Shelby Council 6555 for the fraternal year 1993 - 1994.

We began the year by electing the following officers:

Grand Knight	Bruno Fava
Deputy Grand Knight	Albert Pongetti
Chancellor	Victor Malatesta
Treasurer	Sam Mangialardi
Financial Secretary	Joe Radicioni
Advocate	Joe Capocaccia
Warden	Joe Bramucchi
Inside Guard	Tippy Olivi
Outside Guard	Albert Malatesta
Trustee	David Malatesta
Trustee	T. J. Avaltroni
Trustee	Joe Fava
Chaplin	Father James Carroll

Church Activities

Our council members serve as lectors, collection counters, and eucharistic ministers. Also members of the maintenance committee for the church repair whatever is needed to be done and also take care of the church grounds and shrubbery, etc.

Made a donation of \$440.00 to the Priests Education Fund.

Donated \$125.00 to the annual spaghetti dinner which is a fund raising project for the church. Also helped the ladies to cook and clean the Marion Hall, wash and clean all cooking utensils and also wash all dishes.

Community Activities

Collected \$1,195.00 during Tootsie Roll Drive for the mentally retarded. Did additional work to the Knights of Columbus Hall such as painting, a few repairs, and also bought additional chairs and tables.

Sold a football pool which netted \$500.00 for the council. Gave Christmas presents to the inmates at the State Penitentiary at Parchman at a cost of \$100.00 to the council.

Had a memorial service for all deceased brother knights. Gave a Christmas party for all of the altar boys of the Parish. Also gave a supper for all the men of the parish trying to recruit new Knights of Columbus members. Sponsored two Bocci tournaments.

Fraternally submitted,

Bruno Fava, Grand Knight

Council 6592
Bassfield, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

Father John P. Egan Council 6765
Starkville, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

Maintaining an active program for Council # 6765 continues to be a challenging objective for our small council. We are continuing an aggressive membership drive while attempting to meet the needs of St. Joseph Catholic Church, our home parish. We have welcomed one new member into our council to date this year and have several who have been proposed for membership.

The following council officers were duly elected and installed by District Deputy, Paul Carpenter and State Deputy Tom Zettler.

Grand Knight	Steven E. Newman
Deputy Grand Knight	S. John Obringer
Financial Secretary	Richard Benton/James Heitz

Treasurer	Wil White
Advocate	Fred Melloy
Recorder	James Sisson
Warden	Richard Vasek
Chancellor	Jack Simmons
Trustees	Leonce Collins
	Richard Erickson
	James Heitz/Richard Benton
Chaplain	Fr. Michael O'Brien
Inside Guard	Mike Hunt
Outside Guard	David Breaux

Church Activities:

1. Hosted Holy Family Hour of Prayer on October 14, 1993.
2. Council members attended Christmas and Easter penance services as a group.
3. Annual football pool raised \$1000, which was presented to the St. Joseph Parish building Fund.
4. Hosted Friday evening Stations of the Cross. Catfish dinners were sold afterwards netting over \$200.00, which was presented to the St. Joseph Parish Building Fund.
5. Sponsored Caribbean Cruise for parishioners. Proceeds were presented to the St. Joseph Parish Building Fund.
6. Members participated in Holy Week Liturgy.
7. Assisted CYO with funds to attend the World Youth Festival in Denver, Colorado.

Community Activities:

1. Blood Drives: Two held, one on November 6, 1993 and on Good Friday, 43 total pints were collected covering any blood needs of St. Joseph Parish through September 1994.
2. Knights assisted in the construction of a building at the Dwelling Place in Brooksville.
3. Christmas gifts were provided to inmates at Parchman Penitentiary.
4. The council donated \$150 to the Community Giving Tree in support of St. Joseph Parish.
5. Old magazines were provided to the new community jail.

Family Activities:

1. Several socials were held for council members and their spouses.
2. Christmas Party was held at Harvey's Restaurant.
3. Hosted Annual Super Bowl Party and entertained perspective members.

Respectively submitted,

Steven E. Newman
Grand Knight

**Oscar J. Gelpi Council 6872
Picayune, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

This year has turned out to be one of many achievements for 6872. Starting off with a financial situation that was weak at best, through the efforts of the brothers of 6872, we have been able to turn this picture completely around. Our most crowning accomplishment this fraternal year was being selected by the Chamber of Commerce of Picayune as the Outstanding Civic Organization in the city for our many community, church and youth activities.

A summary of the program activities follows:

Church Activities

1. Sponsored a Marian hour in memory in St. Charles parish.
2. Sponsor monthly K of C Corporate Communion.
3. At request of pastor, furnish ushers for all Sunday Masses.
4. Donate \$50 monthly to seminarian Mike Snyder.
5. Donate \$100 monthly to St. Vincent De Paul Society.
6. Donated \$100 to Sisters of Holy Rosary for mission in Vietnam.
7. Fill time slots from Midnight to 6 AM at Perpetual Adoration.
8. Donate \$150 monthly to retired pastor Father Sylvester Hynes.
9. Sponsored and conducted St. Joseph Altar at St. Charles parish.
10. Replaced damaged Holy Virgin Statue in K of C sponsored grotto at St. Charles.

Community Activities

1. Visit sick and elderly at homes and institutions.
2. Moved furnishings of St. Charles widow to new residence.
3. Donated \$150 to defray funeral expenses for 3 year old killed in accident

4. Donated clothes to Goodwill Industries in Picayune.
5. Sponsored and funded Columbus Day message on local radio and in paper.
6. Conduct and coordinate Rosary each month for deceased K of C members.
7. Conducted Tootsie Roll drive and raised \$4000 for ARC.
8. Distributed Thanksgiving baskets to 2 needy families in Pearl River County.
9. Distributed toys to needy families at Christmas
10. Awarded plaque to Picayune Fireman (Role Model) of the year.
11. Donated \$200 to McNeill, MS. Little League for signs.
12. Donated \$500 to Midwest flood victims
13. Donated refreshments for ARC Christmas party.
14. Supported Picayune High School drug awareness program.
15. Supported Kiln Council, purchase \$100 ticket for council countdown.

Council Activities

1. Sponsored CPR course for infants and children.
2. Sponsored a K of C information day to recruit new members.
3. Sponsor K of C Rosary 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.
4. Sponsored special Rosary for PGK Andre Damiens who successfully underwent 8th heart surgery operation.
5. Selected Knight of Month for each month.
6. Donated Catechisms, \$1000 to children and families at St. Charles Parish
7. Furnish coffee and donuts to parishioners at St. Charles after 7:30 AM Mass every Sunday.
8. Registered 75 K of C members in Sacred Heart Auto League.
9. Conduct Social for members, families and friends of council every month.
10. Conduct weekly bingo for purpose of charitable fund raising.
11. Conduct two (2) garage sales to benefit K of C projects.
12. Initiated six (6) new members into 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degrees.
13. Offer Mass or Eucharistic Services at beginning of all 3rd degree meetings.

Family Activities

1. Sponsored memorial Mass for deceased members and awarded medallions to widows.
2. Conduct quarterly K of C Corporate Communion.
3. Donate \$100 monthly to Lifeline of Picayune.
4. Enroll K of C members and family in Sacred Heart League for sick or deceased.

Youth Activities

1. Sponsor and conduct basketball free throw competition for youth.
2. Support St. Charles CYO.
3. Donated refreshments for CCD class.
4. Sponsor Christmas party for children.
5. Donated \$500 to CYO for use on their Saltillo Mission trip.
6. Charter and sponsor Boy Scout Troop #351 at St. Charles.
7. Sponsor banana bingo at Picayune Convalescent Home.

Special Options

1. Donated set of Fetus models to St. Charles for educational purposes in CCD.
2. Attended Pro-Life rally in Jackson in January.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. Wedig, Jr.
Grand Knight

**Father A. C. Denis Council 7087
Kiln Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

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

Grand Knight	Elbert Cuevas
Deputy Grand Knight	Ray Billeaud
Financial Secretary	Richard Hoda
Chancellor	O. J. Shiyon
Recorder	Mike Campanali
Treasurer	C. J. Malley
Program Director	Ray Billeaud
Warden	
Inside Guard	Gerrad Necaize
Outside Guard	Reana Lee
First Trustee	Ray Billeaud Jr.
Second Trustee	Wayne Cuevas

Third Trustee
Advocate

Charlie Hoda

Church Activities

- (1) Council members serve as eucharistic ministers, lectors, & ushers in all their parishes
- (2) Donation to each church
- (3) Assisted worker at the Sacred Heart fair
- (4) Donation to priest education fund

Community Activities

- (1) Tootsie Roll drive for mentally retarded
- (2) Turkey shoot and dance to raise money for Christmas baskets
- (3) Gave out 125 Christmas baskets to needy
- (4) Donated the use of the hall for fund-raising

Council Activities

- (1) Visit the sick send flowers to funeral homes and hospitals
- (2) Bring communion to shut-ins
- (3) Run weekly bingo
- (4) Hold annual \$10,000 draw down
- (5) Work on the new building and grounds

Youth Activities

- (1) Sponsor local free throw
- (2) Sponsor 5th and 6th grade basketball team
- (3) Assist CYO of three parishes
- (4) Sponsor of St. Matthews CYO

Family Activities

- (1) Installation of officers and family social
- (2) Senior citizens Thanksgiving dinner and bingo
- (3) Family Christmas party with Santa and gifts for all children

**Hernando De Soto Council 7120
Southaven, Mississippi
No Report Submitted**

Council 7211
Lumberton, Mississippi-
No Report Submitted

Holy Savior Council 7854
Clinton, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

Father Harry Wade Council 7910
Orange Grove
Gulfport, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

This past year has seen a lot of growth for council 7910 of Orange Grove. Growth, not just in numbers, but in spirit, and faith, and fellowship. For me personally, it has been a very full, rewarding year, my first as Grand Knight, of a grand council.

A year ago, when Knights of 7910, duly elected and appointed for the fraternal year 1993-1994, were properly installed in office by our State Deputy, Brother Tom Zettler, we set out on a journey together as a council, with great expectations, striving, as one united body to make a difference, in our lives, our families, our parish, and in our community. I feel that we, as a council, have accomplished much of what we set out to do, and that we are continuing, and will continue, to accomplish our goals. We have been extremely fortunate in having the tremendous support of our families and of our parish. And 7910 is especially blessed with the loving guidance and active support of our pastor and brother knight, Father Antone Lynch, who also is chaplain of 7910. His help and spirit have been a welcome presence in our council, and are truly appreciated.

As I look back on this last year, it has been a rewarding one in many ways. I thank all my brother Knights, and their families, for all of the support and dedication they have exhibited. Attendance at our council meetings has averaged 20 to 25 members, which says a lot for their commitment to Christian brotherhood. 7910 has been active in support St. Joseph Parish in all areas, including church, youth and family, and community. We are very involved in the day to day maintenance program of the parish, as well as extracurricular maintenance and upkeep.

The Knights of 7910 have a warm, congenial relationship with other organizations of the parish - not just our own ladies of the Knights, who have been wonderfully supportive, but with the St. Joseph Guild, St. Vincent DePaul Society, RCIA, the Parish Council and its committees, - all of us working together as Christian community. I am very proud of my brother Knights. Both individually, and as a council unit, for their genuine support and participation, and for their sustaining the atmosphere of togetherness which we have enjoyed as a council, and a parish.

It is my fervent hope, and my sincere belief, that, with God's love, we will continue to experience greater camaraderie, and fuller spiritual growth, in the months and years ahead. I feel we are more than ready and willing to meet the challenge.

John R. Ward, Grand Knight

**Brookhaven Council 7915
Brookhaven, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

It is with pride that I report on the activities of Brookhaven Council 7915 for fraternal year 1993-1994.

Council Officers were installed in July, 1993, by Worthy State Deputy Tom Zettler. Following the installation a buffet dinner was enjoyed by members, wives, and state officers.

The following officers were elected by councils members:

Chaplain	Father Liam Pentony
Grand Knight	Wade Ditcharo
Deputy Grand Knight	Aaron Achord
Chancellor	Jerry Rudman
Lector	Victor Becker
Financial Secretary	Doug Schexnayder
Recorder	Glenn Bodin
Warden	Nick Battaglia
Treasurer	Paul Reuter
Advocate	Hollis Cowen
Inside Guard	Brad Williams
Outside Guard	Richard Boyd
Trustees	Thomas Corkern
	Thomas Phillips
	Joe Bonfiglio

Deputy Grand Knight Aaron Achord served as Program Director.

Program Chairmen selected are the following:

Church Activities	Thomas Phillips
Community Activities	Raymond Rodriguez
Council Activities	Glenn Bodin
Family Activities	Hugh Smith
Youth Activities	Richard Boyd
Membership Activities	Joe Bonfiglio

COUNCIL PROGRAM REPORT
BROOKHAVEN COUNCIL COUNCIL 7915

CHURCH REPORT

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|--------------------------|---|
| 1. Marion Hour of Prayer | Sponsors quarterly Marion hour of prayer |
| 2. Vocation Night | Grand Knight led discussion on vocations with high school CCD class |
| 3. Corporate Communion | Hold quarterly corporate communion |
| 4. White Elephant | Held White Elephant Sale |

	to raise money for Priest Education Fund
5. Church Lettering	KC members constructed lettering for newly remodeled parish hall
6. Saltillo Mission	KC members went on week mission to Saltillo to work with parishioners
7. Canopy	KC members purchased canopy for use at church functions
8. Spanish Class	KC members sponsor and teach a Spanish class with funds donated to priest education fund
9. Mass Assistance	KC members serve as ushers, music directors, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers
10. Grounds	KC members provide manpower to maintain church property
11. CCD Teachers	KC members serve as CCD instructors
12. Parish Council	KC members serve on parish council
13. Visitation	Members visit sick and shut-in of parish
14. Lenten Service	Members serve as apostles during Lenten service
15. St. Joseph Altar	Members participated in preparation of food for St. Joseph Altar project
16. Cursillo	Members served on Royo team for Cursillo held in Jackson

17 Hall Members repainted parish hall

COUNCIL REPORT

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| 1. Blood Drive | Sponsored parish blood drive |
| 2. Fraternal Benefits | Insurance agent presented information at business meeting |
| 3. Newsletter | Publish quarterly newsletter |
| 4. Crawfish Boil | Held crawfish boil for fund raiser |
| 5. State Convention | Attended state convention |
| 6. First Degree | Held First Degree exemplification |
| 7. Installation of Officers | Held officer installation at Holiday Inn |
| 8. Columbus Day | Sponsored Columbus Day announcement on local radio station |
| 9. Jamboree | Hosted District 6 Jamboree at Clear Springs |
| 10. Spaghetti Dinner | Held spaghetti dinner as fund raiser |
| 11. Christmas Party | Deputy Grand Knight hosted Christmas Party for KC's |
| 12. Mid-Winter | Attended Mid-Winter meeting |
| 13. Program | Council sold ads for State |

Convention

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| 14. First Degree | Took candidate to Biloxi for First Degree |
| 15. Family Hour Prayer | Held family hour of prayer |
| 16. Phone Committee | Members provide phone committee to remind members of upcoming events |

YOUTH REPORT

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|---------------------|---|
| 1. CYO | Support local CYO monetarily, manpower and spiritually |
| 2. Christmas Party | Conducted Christmas party for CCD classes |
| 3. Lock-In | Assisted CYO with area lock-in |
| 4. CYO/GYP | Held appreciation day for CYO/GYP in appreciation of support for Tootsie Roll Drive |
| 5. Scouts | KC member is area Scout leader |
| 6. CYO Booth | Assisted CYO with booth at local event |
| 7. Ski Party | Assisted CYO with manpower and boats for ski party |
| 8. Regional Lock-In | Assisted local CYO with hosting regional lock-in |
| 9. CCD Lunch | Provide manpower to cook lunch for CCD classes |

FAMILY REPORT

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| 1. Corporate Communion | Sponsor corporate communion and brunch |
| 2. Pro-Life Chain | Sponsored local pro-life chain |
| 3. Monthly Social | Set up parish hall for donuts and coffee monthly |
| 4. Family of Month | Participated in Family of Month |
| 5. Pro-Life Rally | Council attended pro-life rally in Jackson |

COMMUNITY REPORT

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|---------------------------|---|
| 1. Tootsie Roll Drive | Held Tootsie Roll Drive |
| 2. Abstinence Program | Presented program on benefits of Abstinence to CCD teenagers |
| 3. Catholic Digest | Supply 5 area libraries with Catholic Digest |
| 4. Tornado Assistance | Members provided assistance to local victims of tornado |
| 5. Morality in Media | Donated \$50 to Morality in Media for fight against pornography |
| 6. Ole Brook Festival | Held food booth at local festival |
| 7. Junior Aux. Assistance | Assisted local JA group with video presentation |

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| | for new members |
| 8. Area Baseball | KC members coach local kids teams |
| 9. Whitworth Restoration | Presented donation to local fund in restoration of Whitworth College |
| 10. Christmas Float | Sponsored float in local Christmas parade |

To have served this fine council these past two years as Grand Knight has truly been a humbling and honorable experience. Our council continues to grow in true fraternal brotherhood as we strive to spread the virtues of Columbianism throughout our parish and community.

Respectfully submitted,

Wade H. Ditcharo,
Grand Knight

W. E. "Bill" Jolly Council 7974
Columbus, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

St. Jude Centennial Council 8038
Pearl, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

Elected officer for 1993-1994 are as follows:
Grand Knight Theodore Murray

Financial Secretary	Gordon Cowie
Deputy Grand Knight	Nat Zummo
Chancellor	Kenneth Meaut
Recorder	James Dunn
Treasurer	Lorene Guillotte
Advocate	Freddie Roberts
Warden	James Morales
Trustees	Arthur Raymond
	Ronald Fealko
	Eugene Kinnick

The council's goal for the year was to increase community involvement and achieve greater community recognition for the Knights of Columbus.

The following is a list of major projects of Council 8038 for 1993-1994.

Church Activities - Council members

- Participated as lectors for all Tuesday and Thursday Masses
- Knights assisted in construction of prayer chapel
- Knights sponsored quarterly Mass, attending as a group and participating as lectors, ushers and altar servers

Community Activities:

- Knights sponsored a community bar-b-que to raise money for Shawn and Jason Odle. This activity was promoted through the Jackson Metro Area on the radio, TV and newspaper. The activity was a great success raising over \$5000.
- Knights constructed bookcases for Catholic Charities.
- Sold food at Pearl Day donating proceeds to Pearl Youth Organizations
- Donated 125 lbs of chicken to Gateway Rescue Mission
- Worked five locations in Brandon and Pearl of Tootsie Roll Drive
- Sponsored a bingo for church bazaar
- Weekly visits to the sick by Brother Knights

Council Activities:

- Sponsored monthly social for members and families
- Sponsored annual blood drive at St. Jude.
- Sponsored prayer chain for sick and dying
- Donated canned goods for parish food pantry
- Sponsored and helped 1993-1994 School of Columbianism

Family Activities:

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- Name a family of the month
 - Sponsored memorial service for deceased members
 - Took part in Pro Life Chain
 - Conduct quarterly family corporate communion
 - Held family crawfish boil

Youth Activities:

- Knights sponsored Christmas party for Catholic Charities
- Several Knights coach youth baseball and soccer in Pearl youth league
- Transports Jason and Shawn Odle to Reach Program
- Sponsored volleyball match and cookout for CYO

It has been a great honor for me to serve as Grand Knight of Council 8038 for 1993-1994. The effort given by my brother knights in our fund raiser for the Odle family was a tremendous inspiration to me. Plans are being made for similar community service fund raisers to be held annually.

Respectively submitted

Ted A. Murray
Grand Knight

**Charles R. Brill Council 8054
McComb, Mississippi
No Report Submitted**

**St. Therese Council 8285
Jackson, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

1993-94 has been a very good year for our council. We have recruited very well and have some active new members. It has been

a pleasure serving as Grand Knight this year. As with any successful council, the Grand Knight gets a lot of praise and pats on the back. If it were not for all my officers this year we would have been dead in the water. I wish to give thanks to my DGK Kenn Rains, Treasurer Roy Patterson, and Financial Secretary Stan Martin. These men have performed above and beyond the call of duty. They are truly Knights of Columbus. The following activities were performed during the fraternal year:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Marian hour of Prayer.
2. Fund raiser for seminarians.
3. Rosary before every business meeting.
4. Serve refreshments to RCIA candidates.
5. Holy Thursday - Adoration of the blessed sacrament.
6. Yearly tithe to St. Therese Church.
7. Religious appreciation night.
8. Corporate Communion.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. State Tootsie Roll program.
2. Presented roses to Moms on Mothers Day.
3. Assisted with annual turkey dinner fund raiser for home- school.
4. Donation to Birthright.
5. Held dance for retarded (REACH) at Valentines Day.
6. Adopt-a-street clean up.
7. Made donations to the Sim's house (abused wives home)

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Blood drives to cover blood needs for all in Parish.
2. Our First Degree team performed six degrees.
3. Participation in Knight of the Month and Year programs.
5. Delegates to state convention.
6. Installation of officers.
7. Mailed birthday and anniversary cards to members.
8. Special mass for deceased brothers.
9. Annual spaghetti dinner thanking parishioners for support.
10. Annual Lenten fish fry.
11. Attended Operation Rescue rally.

FAMILY Activities:

1. Family pool party.
2. Christmas party with Santa present for members children.
3. Covered dish/pot luck supper for members.
4. Night out at a minor league ball game.
5. Fund raiser for Birthright.

6. Family picnic at Rocking H ranch.
7. Family picnic at Le Fleuer's Park.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Poster essay contest for St. Therese School.
2. Purchased ad in CYO convention program.
3. Helped with the sale of Christmas trees for athletic association.
4. Local free throw contest.
5. Helped feed homeless at Stewpot.
6. Raised money for CYO trip to Denver.
7. Painted the inside of St. Therese School.
8. Gave award to altar server of the year.
9. Eagle scout award given to boy scouts.

I would like to thank all state officers that have helped our council become what it is today. Thank you for the fine example you have given me and my council officers.

Fraternally submitted;

David Longo
Grand Knight

St. Joseph Council 8760
Holly Springs, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

Father Robert Reitmeier Council 8848
Tupelo, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

St. James the Less Council 8912
Corinth, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

Father Patrick McAlpine Council 9094
North Biloxi
Biloxi, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

St. Mary Gautier Council 9124
Gautier, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

Indianola Council 9234
Indianola, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

Joint installation of officers with Greenville Council.

Officers for 1993 - 1994:

Grand Knight	Joe Tannehill
Deputy Grand Knight	Louis Labella
Financial Secretary	Vince Muzzi
Treasurer	Thomas Lott

Recorder	Bill Horton
Chaplain	Fr John Vollar
Warden	Willie Nobile Jr.
Chancellor	Chester Palasini
Advocate	Truett Roberts
Inside Guard	William Sanders
Outside Guard	Tommy Miller

Activities for 1993:

Sponsored Football Pools

(\$100 Donation to St. Jude)
 (\$100 Donation to March of Dimes Telethon)
 (\$100 to Ladies Auxiliary for Priest Gift)

Sponsored 5th Annual Parish Blood Drive

(Met Donations to Cover all Parish Families)

Tootsie Roll Drive

(\$855 to Mentally Retarded)

Annual BBQ Chicken Dinner

(\$550 to Priest Education Fund)
 (\$150 to Ladies Auxiliary)
 (Provided Dinners to 15 needy families)
 (Donated excess canned goods to Local Food Pantry)

Sponsored and prepared Meals for CCD Classes (3 Times)

Sponsored KC Sunday First Sunday of Each Month

Sponsored Clean-up Day for Church Grounds (25 Attended)

Sponsored Marion Hour of Prayer (22 Attended)

KCs Sanitized Kitchen Facilities in Parish Hall

Sponsored cooking crew for Parish Spaghetti Supper
 (Helped raise \$4500 for Parish)

Moved from meeting in Parish Hall to a new KC Meeting Hall in
 September

Lost our first Charter Member in October (Emmett "PeaSoup" Lott)

Held Christmas Party for Knights and wives at Greenville Yacht

Club. (Over 40 attended)

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Tannnehill
Grand Knight

**Reinhart Schroeder Council 9409
West Biloxi
Biloxi, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

Council 9409 began its fraternal year with the installation of officers by District Deputy Hollis Moran.

The officers were:

Chaplain	Msgr. Francis Farrell
Grand Knight	Daniel J. Lechner
Deputy Grand Knight	Daniel Butler
Chancellor	John B. Dubaz
Financial Secretary	Daniel F. Carroll
Treasurer	Stephen Farry
Warden	Bob Corcoran
Recorder	Tom Collins
Advocate	Forrest Taylor*
Inside Guard	Stephen Sullenberger
Outside Guard	Jerry Rodrigues
Trustee (3 year)	John P. Durham
Trustee (2 year)	Fred Spencer
Trustee (1 year)	Joseph Tiblier

* Filled the unexpired term for Brother Windell Norris who passed away

PROGRAM: Daniel Butler, Director

1. Gave council to all committee chairman.
2. Assured that all required reports were submitted on time.
3. Assisted on all programs conducted by the council.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: Robert Grissett, Chairman

1. Held quarterly communion
2. Held annual Marion hour of prayer.
3. Performed gutter clean-up on all buildings on Our Lady of Fatima church property.
4. Assisted the Holy Name and St. Vincent De Paul Societies with their annual fund raisers.
5. Participated in the annual diocesan rosary rally.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Bob Corcoran, Chairman

1. Held annual clothing drive for battered women and children.
2. Held annual Tootsie Roll drive with the proceeds and matching funds going to the Cheshire Home in Gulfport.
3. Held a community recognition night and presented certificates of appreciation to local sponsors.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: James Starks, Chairman

1. Initiation of officers and family dinner.
2. Held membership drive in October.
3. Held annual Max Roybal Golf Tournament to support charitable activities in October.
4. February, held a Fraternal Benefits and Drug Awareness programs.
5. March, held a Health Night on eye safety and eye disease.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: David Dungan, Chairman

1. April, May, and June, held pancake breakfasts to raise funds for parish youth trip to see the Pope.
2. September and October, held Parish altar server classes for altar boys.
3. December, held children's Christmas party for local needy children and donated over 30 toys.
4. January, held annual Free Throw contest.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Matt Yapit, Chairman

1. Memorial Mass for deceased members with emphasis on Brothers George Pitts and Win Norris who died this fraternal year.
2. Held annual family Picnic in July.
3. Held quarterly communion for members and their families.

MEMBERSHIP: John Durham, Director

1. Organized membership drives at functions such as the parish bazaar, Sunday Mass, and other church functions.
2. Followed through on all applications and attended 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Degrees with applicants.
3. Attained membership goals for the fraternal year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel J Lechner
Grand Knight

St. Francis of Assisi Council 9543
Madison, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

James D. Hart Council 9673
Woolmarket, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

St. Ann Lizana Council 9958
Gulfport, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

Mr. Thomas Zettler, State Deputy
4933 55th. Place
Meridian, Ms. 39301

Reference: Grand Knights Report

Dear Brother Zettler,

Per your request, please allow this correspondence to serve as our Grand Knight's report. For the sake of clarity we will use the format of form SP7.

Church Activities

1. The council conducted the \$10,000.00 draw down for St. Ann's Parish in July, 1993. Our Lady's Auxiliary was in charge of the food service.
2. Brother Knight Michael Moran prepared special decorations for the parish altar for the First Communion and the Thanksgiving Masses. He also performed a similar service for the Christmas Mass.
3. The council distributed roses as a gesture of recognition to the parish mothers last Mothers Day.
4. The council sponsored a coffee and donuts reception for the fathers of the parish last Father's Day.

Community Activities

1. The council is involved with the "adopt a highway program".
2. The council conducted a food drive for Christmas.
3. In conjunction with our Lady's Auxiliary, the council sponsored a free bingo and lunch afternoon for the elderly of the community.
4. The council sponsored in July its Annual Rodeo, providing a weekend's worth of low cost family entertainment for the community.

Youth Activities

1. The council has offered their services to assist the parish in any matters concerning the parish youth. The council provides volunteers in the CCD program.
2. The council sponsored a picnic in conjunction with the Easter holidays for the youth of the community.
3. The council is sponsoring a Christmas party featuring Santa Claus for children ages 0-10.
4. The council sponsors a Columbian Squires Circle.

Council Activities

1. The council sponsors a weekly bingo every Tuesday in the parish hall. The lady's Auxiliary provides tremendous support by running the food concession.
2. The council provided monetary assistance to several members in time of need caused by unfortunate accidents.
3. The council conducts quarterly banquets for its members.
4. The council is conducting several raffles for the benefit of its building program.

Family Activities

1. The council planned Christmas food basket program for the

month of December.

2. The council provided support for the parish dinner to be held in December 1993.

We trust this information is sufficient, but should you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Yours very truly,
St. Ann's Lizana K of C #9958

Anthony J. Moran
Grand Knight

**St. Paul Council 10216
Brandon, Mississippi
No Report Submitted**

**Father Clifford Meador Council 10443
Grenada, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report**

For the past year, serving as Grand Knight for our council has been a very rewarding and exciting time. This was due largely to the support of our many dedicated and loyal members. The following is a report of by Brother Knights accomplishments for the 1993-1994 fraternal year.

In the area of church, we conducted a Marian Hour of Prayer, a vocation program, a Light for Christ service, lead the Stations of the Cross during Lent, set up the outside Nativity scene, posted Keep Christ in Christmas posters, and served as ushers, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers. We also removed old pews from the choir, installed P.A. system in the church, and removed a wall in the rectory to provide for additional meeting room

space

In the area of community, we conducted our annual Tootsie Roll drive and collected around \$1800. Brother Knights visited the sick and elderly, prepared and delivered Christmas food baskets for the needy, distributed pamphlets on patriotism and the Great American Smokeout. Essentials were collected and delivered to patients at the State's mental hospital during Christmas. We adopted a mile stretch of highway west of town as our anti-litter project. We supported a Brother Knight in his role as drug education coordinator for our local school district and as a drug free role model to the youth of our community. The local food bank is served well by members of our council.

In the area of council, we sponsored a softball team, lead the family rosary during October, sponsored a membership drive in which 5 new candidates were received, and elected a Knight of the Month. We set up an area in the Parish Hall to display council awards and events, sponsored 2 blood drives, established a phone committee to remind members of meetings and events, presented our chaplain with a certificate of appreciation, and sent get well cards to the sick members of the parish. We are also members of the Adopt-a-School program. During Christmas we sold religious Christmas cards as a fund raiser. We also published a monthly newsletter to keep members abreast of events and results of projects.

In the area of family, we chose a Family of the Month, had a memorial mass for deceased members, engaged in quarterly corporate communion, and sponsored a parish pot luck supper. For Pro-Life activities we posted Right to Life posters and sent Right to Life support cards to government representatives. We also had memorial masses offered for deceased relatives of member knights.

In the area of Youth, we support our parish CYO financially and by offering 2 members to serve as advisors. A Christmas pizza party was held for youth who participated in the Christmas choir. Members also assisted in the CYO Halloween carnival, provided sports activities for summer Bible school, provided the altar boys with pizza appreciation party as well as framed altar server certificates. Several members showed support to the CYO by attending the State CYO convention and by acting as chaperons during the event.

Our council has worked extremely hard this year completing our

goals and objectives. I would like to thank all my Brother Knights for their hard work which made all of this possible. I am looking forward to another successful year. Since our council is very young, I would finally like to thank State Treasurer, Bubba Quinn, and District Deputy, Vic Aguzzi, Jr., for their endless help, advice, and friendship over the past few years.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Liberto
Grand Knight

Msgr. Gregory Kennedy Council 10499
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report

Like all councils you reach a time that the forward motion slows down, I think this was the year for our council. We had to step back this year and look at our growth and say is it quality or quantity we want. We decided on quality. As a result we lost several members who decided not to stay. We are glad to report that we were able to complete over 8,000 man hours of service. We had many activities that we reported, however due to the changes made in the 3rd quarter to the way that activities could be reported we could not count them all. It is hoped that the way of reporting activities will be changed to reflect ALL activities that a council takes part in.

I would like to thank all the officers of our council for an outstanding year. You all worked hard and continue to keep the dream alive. May GOD bless all of you.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Bruce Pabon
Grand Knight 10499

Council 10901
Oxford, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

**District Deputy Report
District # 1**

First of all I want to thank Worthy State Deputy Tom Zettler for asking me to serve this year. There are 5 councils in district 1:

Corinth 8912
Holly Springs 8760
Oxford 10901
Southaven 7120
Tupelo 8848

Each Council in the District added new members this last year.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Ingram

**District Deputy Report
District # 2**

District no. 2 is composed of five councils: 2969 Clarksdale, 5267 Greenwood, 5556 Cleveland, 8555 Shelby, and 10443 Grenada.

I had the opportunity of installing officers in Cleveland, July 28; Greenwood, July 7, Clarksdale, July 15, Grenada, Sept. 1; and Shelby, July 18.

I attended the installation of State Officers in Meridian July 10 and 11 Business meetings and orientation took place on the 10th. The installation Mass was held afterwards.

I attended the School of Columbianism in Pearl on July 24.

On Sept. 12, a district meeting was called in Vicksburg to discuss progress of the councils in the district. This meeting was a joint meeting with the councils from District Three. After the business session there was a meal provided by the Vicksburg council. Also attending were State Membership Director Lou Zylka and State Program Director John Maloney.

I attended an awards night in Cleveland on October 13, and in Greenwood on September 15.

I attended the Mid-Year meeting in Meridian Dec. 4 and there picked up the materials for the mental retardation drive and the state convention kits to be distributed to the councils in my district. I visited with all the councils in my district in January to deliver these materials.

On Mar. 19-20, I attended and participated in the state bowling tournament held in Clarksdale.

I plan to visit all the councils in my district again 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 Tom Zettler 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. Since this is my fourth year as a district deputy, it is my sincerest wish that my successor get the respect and cooperation from fellow knights that I have received.

Respectfully submitted,

Vic Aguzzi, Jr.
District Deputy
District # 2

**District Deputy Report
District # 3**

Worthy State Deputy:

The following report is submitted for District #3 consisting of the following councils:

#898 - Vicksburg;
#2134 - Fr. Forstenbroek, Greenville;
#2945 - C. G. Shapley, Leland;
#9234 - Indianola;
#3328 - Yazoo City (Moratorium).

Supreme membership report dated 4/1/94 is as follows:

*Council 898 - Additions 18 / Deductions 14 / Net Gain 4
Council 2134 - Additions 7 / Deductions 6 / Net Gain 1
Council 2945 - Additions 1 / Deductions 0 / Net Gain 1
Council 9234 - Additions 0 / Deductions 0 / Net Gain 0
Council 3328 - Moratorium

*Council 898 had a First Degree on March 26, not reflected on this report, with 4 additions bringing their net gain to 8. They plan another First Degree in June and will reach their quota of 12.

Based on this report the overall picture of the District is a need for more recruiting and better retention, particularly with retaining older members. The total number of First Degree Exemplifications for the District was 4 and 1 Second and Third Degree. All councils at our District meeting in January had agreed to host a First Degree Exemplification prior to the major ice storm that hit 3 of the councils; Vicksburg was able to hold one after the District meeting because they were not affected by the storm. There is, for future leadership and development within the District, a great need to further advance members into the Second and Third Degrees. Knowing that the councils now have a commitment to improve in these areas, I feel that this next year will be very positive in this direction.

All council officers were installed prior to July 31. On a state-wide basis I attended the Installation of Officers and Mid-Winter meeting in Meridian and the School of Columbianism. Personal contacts have been made with the Pastor in Yazoo City to reestablish Council 3328 and with the Pastor in Belzoni trying to set up a Roundtable affiliated with Indianola. Discussions are also being held with members of St. Mary's Parish in Vicksburg trying to establish either a Council or Roundtable with Council 898. All are good possibilities and should receive top priority within the District this next year.

On September 12, there was a joint District meeting with District #2 in Vicksburg. After opening remarks by District Deputy Vic Aguzzi and me we divided into smaller groups and conducted programs with State Treasurer Jesse Quinn, III meeting with Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries; State Membership Chairman Louis Zylka meeting with membership and retention personnel; and, State Program Director John Maloney meeting with all Program Chairmen. On October 6, I visited business meetings in Leland and Greenville to present Supreme awards. On January 29, a second District meeting was held, hosted by Council 2945, Leland, with very good attendance by District Councils. All council reports were submitted on time to Supreme, and all mandatory programs were completed plus additional ones.

The smallest council in the District, Indianola, under the direction of Grand Knight Joe Tannehill and a handful of dedicated Knights recently acquired a building that they are developing into their council home. This year Council 898, Vicksburg, is celebrating the 90th anniversary of their charter with a special ceremony on May 31 at which time relatives of the Charter Members will be honored along with special recognition of all Past Grand Knights.

Worthy State Deputy, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the State Officers for your dedicated efforts this past year within the Mississippi Jurisdiction, and I appreciate your confidence in allowing me the opportunity to serve within District #3. This District is made up of very small to very large councils, and one thing stands out regardless of the council size: the Officers and Brother Knights working within their respective councils are examples of the true meaning of the term "Knight of Columbus". Their dedication to the Order has been a real inspiration to me this past year and it has given me a much broader meaning of the Knights in the State of

Mississippi

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Warren Doiron, Jr.
District Deputy

**District Deputy Report
District # 4**

District #4 has 6 councils in or around Jackson. They are:

848 John T. Savage-Jackson
7854 Holy Savior-Clinton
8038 St. Jude's Centennial-Pearl
8285 St. Therese-Jackson
9543 St. Francis-Madison
10216 St. Paul-Brandon

District #4 is alive and well. All six councils have actively sought new members this year. Some were more successful than others but all did get new families into our order.

Growing pains were common in a couple of councils and although some rough water was entered by these councils I'm very proud that they navigated through them, as Christopher Columbus must have, with prayer and the good of the council in mind.

District 4 has as much if not more spirit of Columbianism than any other district in the Mississippi jurisdiction and I feel that with the current officers and members we can accomplish more in the next couple years than we have in the past ten years. The desire to do what Fr. McGivney had in mind when he founded our order is here and with the planning and proper leadership I think he will be proud to look down on us and say Christ is with you.

In November District #4 had a 1st, 2nd & 3rd degree exemplification that was held at Holy Savior in Clinton. I am proud to say that all 6 councils sponsored this event. No one council had to do all the work, although council 7854 did have the

major burden of setting up and St. Jude 8038 providing the great lunch. All six councils agreed to share the profit/loss for this exemplification. With cooperation like this I look forward to next year and the exciting things planned for district #4.

I want to thank State Deputy Tom Zettler for his confidence in me and the example he has shown all of us this year. Also a special thanks to Roy Patterson State Warden for his guidance and help with the day to day things that needed to be done.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rick Gaspard
District Deputy #4

**District Deputy Report
District # 5
No Report Submitted**

**District Deputy Report
District # 6**

This has been a rewarding year for me serving as District Deputy over McComb, Brookhaven, and Natchez. I have enjoyed meeting so many people and working with the state officers.

I have learned this year that no matter how large or small a council may be it always the 10 or 12 dedicated members that carry the work load. I would very much like to change this to councils being more of a wide spreading of individuals taking part in the activities. I think we will have to pray for this and work to have more involvement by the membership.

One of the high points of the year for me was helping to build

the Cross of the Innocents. This Cross was built to remind us of the sin of Abortion. The Cross has been displayed in Jackson, Mississippi at a Rally against an abortion clinic. The Cross has been made available to any Council in the State to use at any time. The Cross will be on display at the Convention this year for all Knights and their families to view.

I have been proud of the way that my councils have recruited new members this year but I wish we had done a better job of retaining old members. Membership is the life blood of the order.

I enjoyed very much working at the State Free Throw Contest in Jackson, Miss. I wish we could have contestants from every council. It is always a joy to work with our youth.

We have a big job ahead of us to get more of our Priests and Catholic Men involved in the Knights of Columbus. I feel that this is part of God's Work and that we can inspire our people to become involved.

I pledge my support to the Knights Of Columbus and our State Officers and hope for an even better year.

Your Brother Knight in Christ

Richard Penick
District Deputy District No. 6

**District Deputy Report
District # 7
No Report Submitted**

**District Deputy Report
District # 8**

Worthy State Officers:

My report for the fraternal year 1993-94 began at the 89th Annual Mississippi Knights of Columbus State Convention held in April at Tupelo where I was chosen the District Deputy for District 8, Mississippi Jurisdiction.

I did not attend the School of Columbianism that was held July 25th in Jackson due to a prior commitment. I was therefore excused by our Worthy State Deputy.

District 8 is composed of five councils. They are #1522 Bay St. Louis, #4472 Pass Christian, #4898 Long Beach, #6872 Picayune and #7087 Kiln.

I had the distinct privilege of installing the officers of all my councils except one. That lone council (Long Beach) was installed by our Worthy State Secretary, Greg Niolet, on July 19th. This was done due to a conflict in schedules that could not be changed.

District Activity for 1993-94 was as follows:

July 19- Installation of officers Picayune Council 6872 with State Deputy Tom Zettler and State Warden Roy Patterson in attendance.

July 31- Installation of officers Bay St. Louis Council 1522.

August 2- Attended Long Beach Council 4898 regular meeting and attended 4th Degree Meeting thereafter.

August 3- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

August 8- Installation of officers Kiln Council 7087.

August 16- Attended Pass Christian Council 4472 regular meeting, presented Council with Columbian Award.

August 21- Installation of officers Pass Christian Council 4472 with State Secretary Greg Niolet in attendance.

August 24- Attended Degree Exemplification hosted by Biloxi Council 1244. Four members from Picayune Council 6872 received

their Knighthood Degrees.

September 7- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

September 11- Organized District Meeting hosted by Bay St. Louis Council 1522. State Program Chairman John Maloney was in attendance as well as each Council Grand Knight, Council Program Chairman and Membership Director.

September 27- Attended Bay St. Louis Council 1522 regular meeting.

October 5- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

October 18- Attended Picayune Council 6872 regular meeting.
Presented the Columbian/Fr. McGivney Award.

October 18- Attended Long Beach Council 4898 regular meeting.

November 2- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

November 15- Attended Bay St. Louis Council 1522 regular meeting.

November 20- Attended Picayune Council 6872 Family Thanksgiving Dinner.

December 2- Attended Picayune Council 6872 regular meeting.

December 4- Attended Mid-Year Meeting held in Meridian, MS.

December 6- Attended Bay St. Louis Council 1522 regular meeting.

December 7- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

January 3- Attended Long Beach Council 4898 regular meeting.

January 4- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

January 17- Attended Pass Christian Council 4472 regular meeting.

February 1- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

February 3- Attended Picayune Council 6872 regular meeting.

February 7- Attended Pass Christian Council 4472 regular meeting.

February 21- Attended Long Beach Council 4898 regular meeting.

March 1- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

March 13- Degree Exemplification hosted by Bay St. Louis Council 1522. Five members in my district received their Knighthood Degrees.

March 21- Attended Long Beach Council 4898 regular meeting.

March 26- Attended Pass Christian Council 4472 1st Degree Exemplification.

April 5- Attended Kiln Council 7087 regular meeting.

April 7- Attended Picayune Council 6872 regular meeting.

All of the Councils in District 8 have well rounded activities for the 1993-94 Fraternal Year promoting service programs for the benefit of the church, community, council, Youth and family life. I am confident these programs the councils are doing will remain active in the future and will be an inspiration for potential new members.

Membership in District 8 at this point is average. I have stressed the importance of recruitment and retention in the councils I have visited.

As I write this report (April 9) three of the five councils in my district have met or exceeded their 1993-94 membership quota. They are Pass Christian 4472- (3), Kiln 7087- (4), Picayune 6872 (6). Not meeting membership quotas was Bay St. Louis 1522 and Long Beach 4898. I feel the potential for recruitment and retention is there for all of the councils in District 8.

Contact was made with each council in my District in February to order Tootsie Rolls for the Mentally Retarded Drive that will be held the week of May 9-14. Fifty cases of Tootsie Rolls were received by freight at my place of employment (Coast Electric Power Assn.) on April 4th. There each council received their order well in advance for their drive.

I would like to congratulate Picayune Council 6872 on their award for the recipient from the Picayune Chamber of Commerce as the "1993 Civic Club of the Year". This is an award that is well bestowed on this council.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each Grand Knight, his council officers and members for their support during the past year. It made my job much easier and a great joy. I saw Catholic men and their families come together to benefit others. I saw large tasks undertaken and successfully completed by Christian men. This past fraternal year has been a memorable one and one I will not easily forget.

In closing, I want to thank our State Deputy, Thomas Zettler for giving me the opportunity and privilege to be involved with the Knights of Columbus in this capacity. It has been a most rewarding experience and his guidance, leadership and cooperation have been exemplary and most inspiring. I also wish to thank the rest of my state family, present and some past for their support and advice when they were called upon.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard Hoda
District Deputy # 8

**District Deputy Report
District # 9**

Mr. Thomas R. Zettler
State Deputy
4933 55th Place
Meridian, MS 39301

Worthy State Deputy:

Please accept the following as my Annual Report. At the time that I submitted my Semi-Annual Report in December I had lost my appointment book. It has since been returned to me and I now have dates to put in my report.

I attended a dinner at Council #7910 Orange Grove on June 17,

1993.

Installation of officers was held at Council #7910 on June 26, 1993 in Orange Grove.

On July 10, 1993, I was in Meridian for the Installation of State Officers and was impressed with the changes made at that time.

Woolmarket Council #9673 officers were installed on July 11, 1993. Gulfport Council #1583 followed with their installation on July 16, 1993.

I attended a First Degree sponsored by Gulfport Council #1583 on July 21, 1993, four new members were accepted.

On July 31, 1993, I was in Biloxi for the First, Second, and Third Degree Work.

On October 10, 1993, I took part in a Columbus Day Dinner for St. Ann's Lizana Parish families, sponsored by Council #9958 Lizana.

I was invited to a dinner at Council #7910 Orange Grove on November 12, 1993.

On December 1, 1993, I was at a meeting at Council #9673 in West Biloxi.

The midwinter meeting on December 4, 1993, was a refreshing change. I enjoyed it.

The next day, December 5, 1993, at 11:15 a.m. Council #9958, my Council at Lizana co-sponsored a Christmas party for the children 0 to 10 years of age in our community (92). I had a large part in the production of that event.

On December 27, 1993, I attended a meeting of Council #9673 in West Biloxi.

It was pleasure for me to attend a Clergy Appreciation dinner at Council #1583 Gulfport on January 14, 1994. I presented the Council with the Columbian Award from Supreme.

The Columbian Award was also presented to Woolmarket Council #9673 on Sunday night, January 16, 1994.

On January 19, 1994, a First Degree was held at Council #1583

Gulfport. Two new members were accepted from Gulfport as well as three new members from Council #9673 West Biloxi.

On February 13, 1994, the Columbian Award was presented to Council #9958 Lizana. One of the highlights of my year was to be presenter of the Father McGivney Founder Award to Council #7910 Orange Grove. It is, as you know, for outstanding membership recruitment, retention efforts and for excellence in promotion of the organization's Fraternal Insurance Program. Grand Knight John Ward and his council are to be commended for their efforts. They are indeed an outstanding council and a credit to our state family.

It was indeed a pleasure for me to participate in the membership drive at Council #7910 in Orange Grove with you on January 22, 23, 1994. It was an enjoyable and inspiring experience for me.

On February 1, 1994, I was at Council #9763 in West Biloxi.

I was ill and unable to attend the Fourth Degree Exemplification in Gulfport.

On March 13, 1994, it was a pleasure for me to be in Bay St. Louis Council #1522 for the First, Second and Third Degree Exemplifications.

Worthy State Deputy I feel that I have served my councils well. I have made myself available to them at their convenience. I have addressed and helped solve all problems brought to my attention in District #9.

I did not achieve all that I set out to accomplish, but I did achieve. I hope that I have served the Knights and you Worthy State Deputy well. I enjoy the Knights and I enjoy working with Knights for the Knights of Columbus. I shall continue to work in my own council and anywhere else that I can promote the Knights of Columbus.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your District Deputy this past year. Due to some of the changes you have made it is a pleasure to attend the state meetings. Please keep up the good work in the coming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hollis Moran
District Deputy #9

**District Deputy Report
District # 10**

Worthy State Deputy,

District 10 consists the following councils:

- 1244 Biloxi Council - Biloxi
- 1605 Msgr P. J. Carey - Pascagoula
- 5654 Fred L. Westbrook, Sr. - Ocean Springs
- 9094 Fr. Patrick McAlpine - D'Iberville
- 9124 St. Mary's - Gautier
- 10499 Msgr. Gregory Kennedy - Ocean Springs

These six (6) councils serve several parishes and four (4) Catholic School Systems along the Gulf Coast from D'Iberville (North Biloxi) west to Moss Point east.

I am pleased to report that all councils have completed and reported all their mandatory programs along with several additional projects.

We had a 100% attendance at our District Meeting, which was again hosted by Council 10499. Thanks to all who attended, and a special thanks to Grand Knight Bruce Pabon and his members for their hospitality.

We held 16 First Degrees and initiated 37 new members, of which 19 went on to get their 2nd and 3rd Degrees.

With the exception of one council the district was well represented at the School of Columbianism as well as the Mid-Winter meeting.

Councils within the district have time and again demonstrated the ability to work as a team to accomplish many worthwhile projects. One such effort is our outstanding 2nd and 3rd Degree team, which is composed of brothers from three (3) councils.

All in all, while District 10 didn't set the world on fire, we did accomplish many worthwhile things.

In closing, I want to once again thank the councils, their officers and members of District 10 for their dedication to the principles of our Honored Order. Also for the cooperation and hospitality given to me, as I carried out my duties as District Deputy.

Worthy State Deputy, I dare not close without expressing on behalf of all Knights of District 10, our heart felt appreciation and gratitude to you and all State Family members, for the manner in which the business of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus has been conducted. It makes us proud to be Knights and Catholic.

It has truly been both an honor and privilege to serve our Honored Order, under your leadership, as District Deputy.

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Knowles
District Deputy No. 10

Saturday April 23, 1994

Pro-Life Rosary 7:30 a.m.

Memorial Mass 8:00 a.m.

Bishop William Houck

Celebrant

Second Business Session

The Second Business Session was called to order by State Deputy Thomas Zettler at 9:35 a.m. The following prayer was offered by State Chaplain, Father Kevin Slattery.

Hear O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your might. (Dt. 6:45)

Lord God, You who know the secrets of our hearts,
come now and fill us with your Spirit of sincerity as we pledge ourselves to you and to the coming of your kingdom.

Lord we desire to serve you with all our hearts, with our soul, and with our strength.

We surrender ourselves to your holy plan for us as we seek to be perfect as You are perfect.

May we strive for excellence in all the works of our hands.

May we strive to live within the spirit of holy poverty, living a simple way of life.

May our greatest possession be Your love and the love of those around us.

We strive for excellence in loving, asking that our love be always chaste and whole.

May we strive to be obedient and open to the mystery of Your voice within and among us, willing to embrace whatever you may ask of us.

Lord and friend we rededicate ourselves to a life of prayer and worship of you.
 May a song of praise be the constant melody of our hearts.
 We re-commit ourselves to serve the needs of those around us, and the needs of our world.
 May we find our salvation here, at this time, in this place where we now work and reside.
 May our union with those here around us who share our commitment be a source of confirmation and inspiration.
 Lord we marvel that You in Your divine wisdom, have chosen us to be Your instruments.
 May all the work of our hands, even our failings and stumblings, be leaven to make that much desired Kingdom a reality.
 Bless us now with your abounding love.
 The problems we must discuss are many
 and the solutions may not be easy,
 but may the final minutes of this meeting reveal that at all times we were reverent towards one another, and respectful of each others ideas and positions.
 May we Lord in this meeting seek not merely that we thing alike but that we be united in heart and purpose.
 Although ideas and visions may divide, may our love for You and for each other unite us.
 May we begin in your holy name and with your blessing in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John P. Myers PSD, Master of the Fourth Degree.

Report of the Credentials Committee

State Officers

State Chaplain-----Rev. Kevin Slattery
 State Deputy-----Thomas Zettler
 State Secretary-----Greg Niolet
 State Treasurer-----Jesse Quinn III
 State Advocate-----Guy Todaro Jr.
 State Warden-----Roy Patterson
 Immediate Past State Deputy-----Stanley Swentkowski

Mississippi State Council
Council Delegates

802 Meridian-----John Maloney-----Mouise Richards
848 Jackson-----Ivan Lambert-----Joseph Miller
898 Vicksburg-----Tom Chady-----Tom Thornton
1034 Natchez-----Darren Cowart-----William Geoghegan Jr.
1244 Biloxi-----Julius Broussard-----Leroy Hebert
1522 Bay St. Louis---Andrew Mitchell-----Earl Bourgeois
1583 Gulfport-----James Putnam Sr.-----Karl Koberger
1605 Pascagoula-----Don Cox-----John Szymonik
1908 Hattiesburg----Michael Anderson-----John Lang
2134 Greenville-----John Bernardi-----William Koeppe
2180 Laurel-----Martin Bergin-----Ralph Gatzman
2945 Leland-----Charlie Marlino-----Leon Shapley
2969 Clarksdale-----Paul Borgognoni-----Jim Glover
3328 Yazoo City-----Moratorium-----
4472 Pass Christian--Warren Reso-----Joseph Ladner
4898 Long Beach-----Ben Dilorenzo-----William Seal Jr.
5267 Greenwood-----Harvey Caldwell-----Kevin Vanderlip
5556 Cleveland-----Albert Rocconi Jr.-----Victor Aguzzi Jr.
5654 Ocean Springs---Robert Foster-----Carl Brochard Sr.
6555 Shelby-----David Malatesta-----Joe Bermucci
6592 Bassfield-----Chris Daley-----Charlie Harrington
6765 Starkville-----Richard Benton-----Steve Newmann
6872 Picayune-----Emile Vial-----Thomas Wedig
7087 Kiln-----Elbert Cuevas-----Ray Billeaud Jr.
7120 Southaven-----Kennith Lubbers-----Gordon Coker
7211 Lumberton-----No Delegates-----
7854 Clinton-----Fred Roquemore-----Ferdie Callegan
7910 Gulfport-----John Ward-----Joel Varnado
7915 Brookhaven-----Wade Ditcharo-----Paul Reuter
7974 Columbus-----Ralph Carrado-----Joe Haftek
8038 Pearl-----Theodore Murray-----Gordon Cowie
8054 McComb-----Joe Serio-----Dennis Dunn
8285 Jackson-----David Longo-----Richard Lieding
8760 Holly Springs---Claude Dixon Sr.-----Eddie Dixon
8848 Tupelo-----Pickens Noble-----Reed Fontenot III
8912 Corinth-----James Leatherwood-----
9094 Diberville-----Art Dunn-----Ben Tabor
9124 Gautier-----Leo Borosky-----Clinton Barron
9234 Indianola-----Joe Tannehill-----Terry Lott
9409 Biloxi-----Daniel Lechner-----John Durham

9543 Madison-----James Nelson-----Dennis Riecke
 09673 Woolmarket-----Scott Higginbottom-----Hugh Gilmore
 9958 Lizana-----Anthony Moran-----Frances Moran
 10216 Brandon-----Frank Whitehead-----John Lewis
 10443 Grenada-----Michael Liberto-----Buddy Honeycutt
 10499 Ocean Springs--Bruce Pabon-----Kerry Roberts
 10901 Oxford-----John Caron-----Robert Hudson

District Deputies

District No. 1 -----Charles E. Ingram
 District No. 2-----Victor Aguzzi Jr.
 District No. 3-----J. Warren Doiron Jr.
 District No. 4-----Medrick Gaspard
 District No. 5-----Not Present
 District No. 6-----Richard Penick
 District No. 7-----Not Present
 District No. 8-----Richard Hoda
 District No. 9-----Hollis Moran
 District No. 10-----Ted Knowles

Past State Deputies

John P. Myers	Robert Fratesi
Fred Westbrook Jr.	Wiley Price Jr.
Jesse Quinn Jr.	Dennis Ladnier Sr.
Rodney Sandoz	Marvin Lott

Honorary State Chaplains

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

Respectfully Submitted

Greg Niolet St. Sec.
 Mouise Richard
 Don Cox

Victor Aguzzi
Charlie Harrington
David Longo
Terry Lott
Michael Liberto

Chaplain Report

A string ensemble was rehearsing for their concert at a church once. The evenings program included a descant for the oboe. The oboist was exceptionally talented but for some reason the music sounded terrible. The leader of the ensemble insisted the oboe was out of tune, so the oboist adjusted the reed of her instrument to bring it into tune with the other instruments. But the music continued to sound distorted and out of key. The other musicians were becoming increasingly critical and impatient. After several attempts, the leader proposed that the oboe part be dropped from the piece.

An elderly gentleman was sitting in the church listening to the rehearsal. He quietly went up to the leader during a break and said, "Please forgive my intruding but don't orchestras tune their instruments to the oboe?" The members of the ensemble were dumbfounded. They had overlooked a basic performance principle: an oboe sounds the proper pitch -- it was the other instruments, tuned to one another, that were out of tune. When the other musicians tuned their instruments to the oboe, the music began to sound like music again.

Like the musicians in the church ensemble, we become so taken with our own instrument that we become unable to find the perfect pitch, -- the voice of Christ. Especially in time when the music in our lives, around us, is out of tune, discordant, drowned out or even silenced.

This past year we have focused our attention on making our families grow. And this weekend we will hear many reports of how we have failed and succeeded in that mission. Family is a very appropriate model for us to look at, and use as our basis and grounding.

One of my favorite gospel stories this time of year is the Emmaus story. Two disciples left Jerusalem headed for Emmaus. Their spirits were down, their hearts heavy and their minds confused. Jesus their friend was gone.

While on the road, a "stranger" approached them and asked them what they were so busy discussing. He listened carefully as they told him of their hopes and fears. After a while, he shared with them his insights on the life and death of Jesus. When they reached Emmaus, the disciples persuaded their new friend to stay for dinner. When he broke bread, the disciples recognized their friend as Jesus.

Jesus gives us a model. From the story we see that forming relationships with people is more important than programs. By walking with, listening to their concerns, challenging them, sharing their faith and breaking bread with them Jesus comes to life. The same is true for us in our own families and in the Knights of Columbus. I know in my own Council in Oxford our growth this past year has not been due to any great work we have done but to the walking with, listening to and sharing of one man with another.

When you see someone else's dedication you tend to become more dedicated in everything you do. In the Knights of Columbus, you are such an example of dedication to the rest of our Church. The Pope has consistently referred to the Knights as the strong right arm of the Church. And we live in a day and an age when we need that strength. When we have the confidence and courage to be Pro-Life, to pray publicly, to speak up for the sacredness of life at all of its stages, and in all of its states. And not only to speak out but to be compassionate with others in their troubles and errors.

One of the sad tragedies of today is that among many people in this country there is no commitment toward anything. People stand back and take the attitude of 'let George do it ... I don't want to get involved ... it's not worth getting my hands dirty.' Too many are afraid of what it may cost them.

During the Russian Civil War, in a small provincial village that had just changed hands a young woman of twenty seven years or so was trapped with her two small children, her husband belonging to other side. She had been unable to escape in time and she was in hiding trying to save her own and her children's lives. She spend a day and a night in great fear and the following evening

the door of her hiding place opened and a young woman a neighbor of own age came in. She was a simple woman with nothing extraordinary about her. She said: "Is so and so your name?" The mother replied with great fear, "Yes." The neighbor said "you have been discovered, they are coming for your tonight to shoot you. You must leave." The mother looked at her children and said "Where shall I go? How can I get away with my children? They could not walk fast enough or far enough for us not to be caught." And this neighbor suddenly became a neighbor in the full sense of the gospel. She approached the mother and said with a smile, "They will not go after you because I will stay here in your place." The mother must have said, "They will shoot you." But the neighbor replied, "Yes but I have no children. You must leave." And the mother went out. The young woman who stayed behind, her name was Natalie. Natalie must have gone to that door many a time realizing all she needed to do was push it open and walk out and once again she would be Natalie, and not condemned to death. This young woman must have wondered whether her death might not be in vain. We can only imagine what her terror must have been like. But there is something else to intercession besides sacrifice. As well as the cross and Gethsemane there is also the resurrection. Remember the passage in St. Paul where it says "I live, no not I, but Christ lives in me." Sometimes we might wonder what those words exactly mean. That mother and her children know one thing, theirs is henceforth borrowed lives. Their own lives died with Natalie, she goes on living through them. They live because she died. This very human story illustrates something very important about salvation. It shows the hard reality of intercession. We often pray and intercede to God to be merciful and kind to those in need. But intercession is more than this. It means to take a step which puts us at the heart of a situation. Like a man who stands between two people about to fight. We are most like Jesus when we are willing to lay down our lives literally like the mother who lived on for the sake of her children.

The love of God is not a subject we can study speculatively and say we really understand. God and the love that is God can only be learned by doing. If we love unselfishly we can arrive at some inkling of what God is like. There can be no exclusivity in true self sacrificing love. When Jesus laid down his life for us he did not limit it to people of his own tribe, nation or race. He died for all, and thus all are to be known as his friends. The same needs to be true of us who use his name, there can be no exclusiveness among us if we are to truly imitate our Lord and

God.

A mother's care for her children aptly exemplifies what we mean by unselfish love. In an age when careers obscure the value both of motherhood and fatherhood, it is worthwhile to reflect on the career of parenting. In every childbirth there is a certain element of risk, a certain laying down of one's life (the mother's) for another (the child). Parenting a child today is no easy task. Both mother and father have to lay down their lives to some extent - their lives as individuals - their own time their own desires.

Jesus says "The one who believes in me will also do the works I do and in fact, do greater works than these." The word works means activities.

I believe we need to draw a comparison between the life that Christ led and our own, to show what we can draw upon His experience, the heartbreaks and the sorrow he suffered. yet He went on because He had a commitment, a cause that He was intent on pursuing, hopeful that others would do the same. Earlier we remembered our brothers who have gone to eternal life before us. They were committed to sharing their lives and fortunes to making the Knights of Columbus a safe haven for their families in a world out of tune and filled with discordant notes. There is as much disharmony today as in their day. And we in turn are called to strike the right note to listen for the voice of Christ.

Regardless of the setbacks, regardless of the things that happened to Him, Jesus never wavered in His beliefs, He felt so strongly for them. And so too, for each of us, we too must be willing to suffer some persecution, some embarrassment, some very trying moments in life. And any time we feel we are being persecuted, or have some guilt complex, all we have to do is look at this person who literally gave his life that we might be a better people.

If we were going hunting or fishing, we would no doubt seek the advice of an expert, someone who knew the woods or water, someone who knew where the biggest fish were or the best game. And so if we wanted someone to pattern our lives after, we can find no better person than Christ. He was a person who had known the same frustrations, the same trials, the same tribulations, the same temptations. Although he lived many years ago, He had walked down the same path that we are walking today.

A champion athlete is a confident man. But what is confidence? Let me begin by saying what confidence isn't:

Confidence isn't braggadocio, isn't popping-off, isn't loud talk, isn't show-boating. A confident man doesn't say anything about what he is going to do. He just does it. A braggart is a man who is not achieving. A man who alibis is a man who has failed, and is unsure of himself, is unable to face his own failure, and learn from it. A confident man first makes up his mind, 'sets his face' that he will achieve his goal, that he will pay whatever price it takes in training, in discipline, in sound habits of life, thought, and morals.

The athlete learns to be honest with himself. He has to discover who he is, what he can do, what he can't do, what are the varying abilities of his associates. He learns humility.

He has to understand that everything is an equation of pluses and minuses - of successes and of failures - of winning and losing. He must calmly accept victory and defeat. He has to avoid false pride in today's win. And takes today's defeat in balance, learning why he lost, and in inner confidence saying, "We play again tomorrow."

Make no mistake - the great pitcher says nothing in audible words, but as he stands on the mound, he knows he can get the batter out - he knows it. On the other side of the coin, their great hitter has absolutely no doubt about his ability to hit this or any other pitcher; he waits calmly for his pitch. There is no room in these men's minds except to do what they know they can do.

The great golfer doesn't wish he didn't have to shoot over water or sand over rough or tree or into wind. He measures where he wants his shot to go, what it will require, then selects his club, studies his lie, and calmly executes his swing. Then no matter the outcome of the shot, he forgets it and plays the ball from where he next has to play it.

Confidence is the evaluation a man has of himself. It is compounded of courage - courage meaning that a man knows what the cost may be, but still takes the risk, is willing to pay it. It is composed of the knowledge of self-exertion, of industry, of sweat. It is strengthened by pain - pain suffered from defeats overcome and outlasted as well as from the blood and bruises of the body; athletes especially football players learn to play in

pain. (Red Barber) Our strength is in our commitments. And the confidence we have to fulfill them. Of course, you have to have something you believe in, in order to commit yourself.

I pray the words of St. Paul to the Corinthians may be ours:

"Do you not know that all the runners in the stadium all run the race, but only one wins the prize? Run so as to win. Every athlete exercises discipline in every way. They do it to win an imperishable one. This I do not run aimlessly; I do not fight as if I were shadowboxing. No I drive my body and train it, for fear that, after having preached to others I should myself be disqualified." (1 Cor 9:24-27)

State Deputy Report

Your Excellencies, Worthy State Chaplain, Worthy Supreme Representative, my fellow State Officers, Worthy District Deputies, Worthy Vice Supreme Master, Worthy Master, Worthy General Agent and Field Agents, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy Delegates and my Brother Knights:

Ten months have passed since the installation of State Officers at Meridian whereupon the mantle of leadership in the Mississippi Jurisdiction was passed to me and to those State Officers who were elected to serve with me. I must say that anticipating being the State Deputy and actually serving you as State Deputy are two very different feelings. One is gratifying with everything being the utopia we all desire in our Order while the other is gratifying with the realities of human shortcomings and broken dreams being the order of the day. From the outset, however, I want to say that everything I have done or attempted to do was with a desire to improve our Order in our Jurisdiction and to make things as fair to everyone as humanly possible. Change is difficult to accept at times and even more difficult to direct. But guided by a great belief in Almighty God and you, my Brother Knights, I am even more convinced that change which is for good will not only be accepted but will foster a greater brotherhood of Catholic men dedicated to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. For as Pope John XXIII said: "Consult not Your fears, but Your dreams. Be

concerned not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do."

As we gather for this, our 90th Annual Convention, it is incumbent upon us to see where we have been and where we are going in the months that lie ahead. It is our solemn duty to right wrongs and continue to foster the goals of Father McGivney. It is our privilege to serve in this great Order and to promote our concern for human life, aid for our Brother Knights and their widows and children and to be the "right arms of the Church" that we profess to be.

After my election in Tupelo, my wife, JoAnne and I were privileged to attend the State Deputies meeting in New Haven, Connecticut from June 10 to June 13, 1993. At this meeting information as to membership, insurance, program activities and many other topics were discussed in some detail. However, the highlight of this entire weekend to JoAnne and me was our attending Mass in St. Mary's Church, the birthplace of our Order. What a feeling that was! To sit in the pew dedicated to the Knights of our Jurisdiction was much more than a privilege to us. It was a singular honor that I truly wish I could share with each and every one of you. We also had the opportunity of placing a rose on the sepulcher of Father McGivney and collectively prayed for his cause. This meeting was truly an inspiration to me and I returned home with even greater aims and objectives.

On July 10 at my home Parish of St. Patrick in Meridian, I was honored to have the Bishop of Jackson, Most Reverend William Houck offer the celebration of the Eucharist at our State Officer's Installation Mass. Our new State Chaplain, Father Kevin Slattery and my fellow State Officers as well as the ten District Deputies who had been selected to assist in the leadership of our Jurisdiction were officially installed in office at this celebration. On this occasion, I also scheduled my meeting of District Deputies to coincide with the installation Mass. Of course, the fact that this meeting was specifically for the State Officers, District Deputies, General Agent and Program Personnel but was not on the size level of previous meetings of this type, I raised several eyebrows. I am not, however, going to forget the reality of our situation. When I assumed office, I was, and I still am, determined to operate this State Council within the financial confines of the income generated by the per capita taxes. For if you will remember, there were three

resolutions regarding the raising of the per capita at the last convention and all were defeated and in addition, the general consensus that I received from the great majority of you was that you were not in favor of a raffle, at least for this year. Therefore, this was the first cost-cutting measure that was implemented. But in addition to this, I also happen to believe that the Office of District Deputy carries with it a very special trust and responsibility. The DD is the State Deputy's direct representative to the Councils under his jurisdiction. I wanted these ten men to know that they had my total support and respect and that I was depending on them to assist in carrying out the goals and objectives of our administration. Because of the Supreme requirements, the total number of District Deputies dropped from 11 to the 10 men I nominated for appointment. These men were subsequently appointed to their positions by the Supreme Knight.

On July 24, the School of Columbianism was held in Pearl and was hosted by St. Jude Centennial Council. I am appreciative to Grand Knight Ted Murray and his Officers and members for accepting this request. Our School was well attended and the State Program for this year was covered in depth. Here again, there were changes and hopefully these changes were accepted as a means to elicit more complete participation in our program for this fraternal year. We have had a total of 30 Councils submit program reports and from these reports, we have 8 Distinguished Councils and 12 Honor Councils. I am most pleased with these numbers but I remain convinced that we can do better. I certainly want to thank Brother John Maloney for accepting the appointment as Program Director and for undertaking the implementation of the revisions that I requested in the program that we utilized this year. His was a thankless task but one which was done with professional courtesy and aplomb. I sincerely believe that those Councils who will achieve Distinguished or Honor Council this year will have made their mark in their local areas and this is as it should be. I hope that more and more of our Councils will achieve these distinctions in the Years ahead.

In August, I was privileged to join Past State Deputy Stan Swentkowski, Past State Deputy John Pat Myers and Past State Deputy Wiley Price as delegates to the 111th Supreme Council meeting in Washington, D. C. This was a marvelous affair and I assure you when they played the State song for Mississippi, many were on their feet singing the strains of "Dixie"

Also in August, we were honored to host the 14th Annual National Knights of Columbus Softball Tournament in Biloxi. Although the weather did not cooperate as much as we would have liked, the tournament was a success due in large measure to the efforts of Brother Fred Steinwinder, Biloxi Council 1244 and Gulfport Council 1583 and their Officers and members. What an honor for our Jurisdiction to have been selected to host this gathering of Knights from across our nation. My personal thanks and congratulations to all who had even the smallest part in making this event such a success.

As a former Chief Squire, I was also elated to learn that Squire Circle 3768 in Laurel had won the Brother Barnabas Award and Squire Circle 2852 in Ocean Springs had achieved the Corps d'Elite Award. These young men as well as their sponsoring Councils and counselors are to be commended. Squires make great Knights!

In November, JoAnne and I travelled to Atlanta, Georgia to attend the Supreme mid-winter meeting. We had a wonderful time renewing acquaintances with the other State Deputies of the Order and increasing our knowledge of Supreme activities and programs, especially membership. This meeting was followed by the State mid winter meeting in early December in Meridian. Membership was the main topic of discussion at this meeting with challenges being made to those in attendance to increase the growth of our Order in the Jurisdiction.

STATE OF THE ORDER

Membership in our Order is our lifeblood for existence. The Supreme Council instituted a membership program entitled "Help Our Family Grow" this year in the hopes that we would undertake a program of growth that would be attractive not only to new members of our Order but also to the other members of that prospective family. And recruit new members we have done. As of April 1 of this year, Mississippi has recruited and initiated 235 new members. However, the down side of this equation is that we have lost 131 members to suspensions or withdrawals. This produces a net gain of 104 new members. With a Supreme quota of four times this amount, we have not fared well in this category. In fact, there are currently 7 active Councils who have not recruited the first new member this fraternal year. Not one new member! It is difficult for me to believe that there is not one

Catholic man available in these areas who would be eager to join us if only he were asked. And while the contest on the State level is over for this fraternal year, the Supreme membership year will continue until June 30. As a result, there is still time for all of us to recruit that State Deputy of tomorrow who is waiting in the wings. But let me also say that there is no reason to play games with our membership. If you have members who need to be suspended, then do your duty. Don't make this a problem for tomorrow when it can be handled today. No one enjoys suspending or withdrawing a member, however, such is the nature of the membership business. I ask Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries to particularly take this aspect of their duties very seriously. Remember, however, that suspension is a last step. Treat each and every member as an individual and make every attempt to retain him but failing that, do your duty. Let me also make another very important comment. The Supreme Council has instituted a very workable suspension procedure. When applied in the proper manner, a member in danger of suspension will receive a personal letter from his District Deputy, the State Deputy and the Supreme Knight urging him to retain his active membership. I have not failed to write those letters to each and every member on whom I have received a Notice of Change of Status. If, however, as some Councils do, you simply submit a withdrawal request, this does not come to the attention of any of these levels in the retention process and the member simply becomes a former member. As a Financial Secretary, I realize that it is a little easier to send in a withdrawal than to proceed through the process of suspension. But I also believe that you are short changing that member when you do so. Again I urge the Grand Knights to ensure that the proper suspension procedures are followed. What's easy is not always what's right!

There are seven Councils who have risen to the top of our membership recruitment process by attaining Top Gun status. These Councils achieved a 10% net gain in membership and I would like the delegates representing these Council to stand as I announce your Council and remain standing until all are recognized:

802 Meridian	1908 Hattiesburg
4472 Pass Christian	8285 Jackson, St. Therese
9543 Madison	10443 Grenada
10901 Oxford	

Please join me in giving these Top Gun Councils a round of applause.

In addition to the aforementioned Councils, other who achieved a 5% increase in membership deserve our recognition as well. They are:

5267 Greenwood	6592 Bassfield
7087 Kiln	7211 Lumberton
7854 Clinton	7915 Brookhaven
7974 Columbus	8848 Tupelo
9409 West Biloxi	10216 Brandon

Please give these Councils a hand for their recruitment efforts.

As you heard last evening, the awards for net gain and percentage gain based on Council size went to the following Councils:

Small Council - Council 10443 Grenada
Medium Council - Council 5267 Greenwood
Large Council - Council 8285 Jackson, St. Therese
Extra Large Council - Council 802 Meridian

Please give these Councils a hand for their efforts above and beyond.

I again pledge the assistance and efforts of the entire State Family to any of you who plan a membership campaign in the coming months. The State Officers are always willing to speak about the benefits of Council membership if they are asked. I was privileged to speak at six different membership drives myself and would be willing to double or triple that number. Please let us know how we can help you in this most vital area to our Order.

NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT

New Council development is an area where we have not helped ourselves. In fact, early last month, I requested the Supreme Council to disestablish the Councils in Yazoo City and West Point. These two Councils have been in moratorium for an inordinate amount of time and I felt after investigating these two areas that the time was at hand to take a stand and to stop pretending that they were there. I have not heard from the Supreme Board of Directors as to the disposition of these Councils, but I would expect to hear before this fraternal year is complete. This was not an enjoyable task for me - to be the First State Deputy who showed a net loss in Councils in the Jurisdiction, but on the other hand, I felt, and I still do, that my obligations as State Deputy dictated this course of

action. As I mentioned earlier in this address, I do what I sincerely think is right not what is popular. On a more positive note, however, I have signed a letter of intent to form a new Council in Moss Point. We are proceeding slowly in this area but we are proceeding. I thank District Deputy Ted Knowles for his work in this area. There are other locations we are investigating and the possibility of new Councils being formed in these areas is not only a dream but a distinct possibility. I also continue to promote, as my predecessor, Past State Deputy Stan Swentkowski did, the establishment of Councils in minority Parishes and the recruitment of minority members. This is an area where more effort needs to be directed for it is well for us to remember that membership is open to ANY Catholic man.

CEREMONIALS

Another decision I made early on was to attempt to hold a Second and Third Degree every two months. It is difficult to host these degrees on a more frequent basis with the financial constraints that come with travel, etc. We have held to this goal and have had five major exemplifications with a sixth scheduled for Meridian on May 22. I urge you Grand Knights to contact State Ceremonials Chairman, PSD Wiley Price, if you would desire to host a major exemplification during the next year. It is so much easier if there are Councils willing to host degrees rather than for us to have to go out and find a Council willing to do so. I am indebted to those Councils who hosted degrees this year: 898 Vicksburg, 1244 Biloxi, 7854 Clinton, 8848 Tupelo, 1522 Bay St. Louis, and to Meridian who will host our next exemplification. I also want to salute our two Second and Third Degree Teams. I know that there were times that I not only confused them but frustrated them as well. But in every instance they performed as the professionals we all know them to be. I would ask the delegates from Pascagoula and Greenwood to express my sincere thanks to each and every member of these teams on behalf of the entire State Family. One area of concern to me, however, is the lack of attendance of members to these major degrees. I urge each Grand Knight in the proximity of a major degree to strongly encourage his general membership to attend these functions. It is always a refreshing and interesting afternoon to take part in this work. I thank Past State Deputy Price for his friendship and his efforts on our behalf as State Ceremonials Chairman.

INSURANCE

When I joined the Knights of Columbus in 1959 (I was only three

at the time!) it was mandatory to be an insurance member. Such is not the case now and rightly so. Remember the phrase, insurance is voluntary, death is not voluntary. Our insurance program is as strong as it could possible be. We are consistently rated superior by those in the insurance business who know. If you are not proud of this, you should be. I have personally invited Brother Tom Smith to be our convention speaker because in addition to having been very impressed with him, I know he will bring us a wealth of information regarding this vital aspect of our Brotherhood. I have enjoyed for many years and continue to enjoy a warm and friendly relationship with General Agent Henry Mosco and his lovely wife, Jane. He has always been and continues to be a staunch supporter of our Order, our State and our programs. He has assembled an able and professional group of agents to serve the every need of each and every Knight and the members of their families. I am proud of our insurance force and I want you to be proud of them as well. I am of the belief that if all of you understood what happened to the proceeds generated by our insurance program, all of you would be policy holders, albeit small ones. On a personal note, as many of you know, JoAnne and I suffered the loss of a 10 year old daughter. At that stage of our marriage, I do not know what I would have done had I not had insurance on her. It is a sobering thought to remember that the angel of death can and does strike at any time. Are you ready from the practical view? I just received a communication from Supreme stating that our insurance in force has surpassed the 25 billion dollar lever. What an accomplishment! You have the golden opportunity to be a part of this growth and to assist in the magnificent work the Order does with the funds generated by these sales. Get on board. Promote our insurance program. I am proud to say that my wife and my children are all policy holders in the Knights of Columbus program. Ask your assigned agent to make a visit to outline where our program can help. I also want to say that my own Council Insurance agent, Brother Larry Campbell has made himself available on every occasion where his presence has been requested. I know of not a single instance when he was not where he needed to be. I feel sure that each and every other agent operates the same way. I salute these men and I ask them to stand and accept our thanks and respect for the job they are doing in our jurisdiction.

SUPREME COUNCIL AWARDS

During the past year the Supreme Council Awards were presented to 24 of our Councils. These recipients were:

STAR COUNCIL

802 Meridian
8285 Jackson St. Therese
10499 Ocean Springs

COLUMBIAN and FATHER MCGIVNEY AWARDS

1244 Biloxi
2969 Clarksdale
6872 Picayune
9094 D'Iberville

COLUMBIAN and FOUNDERS AWARDS

5654 Ocean Springs
8038 Pearl

FATHER MCGIVNEY and FOUNDERS AWARDS

5556 Cleveland
7910 Orange Grove
8848 Tupelo

FATHER MCGIVNEY AWARD

1522 Bay St. Louis
2134 Greenville

FOUNDERS AWARD

4898 Long Beach
6765 Starkville
9409 West Biloxi

COLUMBIAN AWARD

1583 Gulfport
2945 Leland
4472 Pass Christian
7915 Brookhaven
8054 McComb
9673 Woolmarket
9958 Lizana

I congratulate all of these Councils on their accomplishments and suggest that we can do much, much better this year. Remember, the job is not over until the paperwork has been done!

In the contest of Champions for 1993 Council 1244 Biloxi was awarded the trophy for the net gain (20 members) and Council 6872 Picayune won the overall percentage gain (260%). Let's give

these two Councils a round of applause for their membership recruitment efforts.

The Supreme "Insurance Promotion Awards" were awarded to Council 8848 Tupelo and 5654 Ocean Springs for the net gain category. These two Councils tied with a net gain of 9. Council 8848 Tupelo also won the award for the highest percentage gain with a 300% gain. Again join me in saluting the accomplishments of these two Councils.

STATE OFFICERS AND DISTRICT DEPUTIES

Overseeing this jurisdiction is by no means a one man show. I have been blessed to be surrounded by a group of State Officers who are caring, concerned, enthusiastic and generous Brother Knights. I have formed what I hope will be lasting friendships with all of them. They are truly the cream of the crop and I wish nothing but continued success to all of them. Of particular note is the support and assistance I have received from State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery. He is truly a great friend and a devoted priest. His sacrifices to attend the many functions of the State Family have not gone unnoticed by many of you and I am proud and humbled that he accepted my invitation to serve us all as our Chaplain. In this year when Supreme has a sub-theme of "Solidarity with our Priests" I am proud to present for your appreciation our State Chaplain, Father Kevin Slattery. I also want to express my deep thanks and respect to the Bishops who guide our dioceses. Bishop Houck and Bishop Howze, you honor us with your presence among us. Please know that the Knights of Columbus will stand ever ready to assist you in your ministry, support you in your role as shepherd, and affirm you as the representative of Almighty God among us. And it is a special thrill for me to present Bishop Brunini who is among us this year as we meet in convention. His unending support of the Knights is well known and we are thankful for his service to all of us. He is truly a pioneer of priests and laity and for this we are forever grateful. I also want to express my individual thanks to Past State Deputy Stan Swentkowski who has offered me continuous encouragement and support. To follow in this office, a man of such stature, is indeed humbling.

In conclusion, there are several items I would like to mention as I think they are noteworthy. I offer our collective congratulations to Past State Deputy Marvin Lott on his appointment as Vice Supreme Master of the Bienville Province of the Fourth Degree. This is an honor to our Jurisdiction and on

behalf of each and every Knight in Mississippi, I offer our support to him and wish him well in this office. To Past State Deputy John Pat Myers, we offer congratulations on his appointment to fulfill the unexpired term as Master of the Mississippi District, Fourth Degree. We continue to offer our prayers and support to Former Master Norman Kiehm for his recovery and ask God's blessings upon him in his difficulties. I salute and thank all Councils who participated in the check in the amount of \$1449.71 which was sent from this Jurisdiction to the flood victims of the midwest. This is true fraternity in action. I am encouraged with the success our Holy Family Hour of Prayer is enjoying as it makes the rounds of our State. This is a beautiful service and I enjoin all of you to participate when it reaches your area. It is currently in District 7 and will continue through Districts 8, 9, and 10.

I express my appreciation to the 24 Councils I have had the pleasure of visiting these past ten months. I will make every attempt to visit each and every Council to which I am invited. I thank the Grand Knights, Officers and members for your warm hospitality and support. It is truly uplifting to have the opportunity to represent all of you Brother Knights on these visits to the Councils of our State.

No other State Deputy has had greater support and cooperation from his home Council than that which I have received from Monsignor John J. Burns Council 802 in Meridian. I am, indeed, indebted to all of my Brother Knights in 802 for their magnificent display of respect and loyalty to me as State Deputy. Never once have I asked anything from the Council or the Ladies Auxiliary but that I did not receive more than that for which I had originally asked. What a pleasure it is to hail from among such devoted sons of God and followers of Father McGivney's dream. To Grand Knight John Maloney and the other Officers and members of Council 802, please accept this public thank you from one of your own.

I also wish to thank the Past State Deputies for their continuous support and offers of advice. These men represent, in my opinion, those qualities of Knighthood which are the envy of all that is good. They are more than willing to help in any venture and never fail to attempt to promote our Order and our Jurisdiction with its aims and goals. Thank you Past State Deputies.

Most certainly I owe a deep debt of gratitude to my bride,

JoAnne. She has been my travelling partner on many late night trips and continues to be the greatest supporter a man could have. She is truly a God sent gift to me and I cherish my time with her. My family is the most important thing in my life to me and I try each and every day to instill a love of God and fellow man into their lives. To them I am eternally grateful for their generous giving and understanding.

Let me close by saying that every life created by Almighty God has meaning. Always remember that great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events and small minds discuss people. Never let us slip into the small mind category.

May God continue to shower His blessings upon each and every one of you. You are continually in my prayers, please keep me in yours. Vivat Jesus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Zettler
State Deputy

State Secretary Report

Status of membership by council in the Mississippi jurisdiction as of April 1, 1994 as compared with totals of April 1, 1993. Also, noted are the deceased members per council. Figures are based on the monthly report of membership from Supreme Council.

Council	1993	1994	Increase	Decrease	Deceased
802 Meridian	179	198	19		0
848 Jackson	99	95		4	2
898 Vicksburg	280	273		7	6
1034 Natchez	201	200		1	5
1244 Biloxi	407	392		15	7
1522 Bay St. Louis	179	175		4	1

1583	Gulfport	403	394		9	8
1605	Pascagoula	288	280		8	2
1908	Hattiesburg	118	96		22	3
2134	Greenville	180	178		2	2
2180	Laurel	115	116	1		0
2945	Leland	68	67		1	1
2969	Clarksdale	275	277	2		0
3328	Yazoo City	50	50			0
4472	Pass Christian	47	40		7	2
4898	Long Beach	151	140		11	4
5267	Greenwood	83	75		8	1
5556	Cleveland	141	142	1		1
5654	Ocean Springs	160	157		3	2
6555	Shelby	39	38		1	0
6592	Bassfield	80	74		6	0
6765	Starkville	36	39	3		0
6872	Picayune	75	78	3		0
7087	Kiln	59	60	1		0
7120	Southaven	57	59	2		0
7211	Lumberton	37	38	1		0
7854	Clinton	49	47		2	0
7910	Gulfport	70	75	5		0
7915	Brookhaven	68	73	5		1
7974	Columbus	61	66	5		1
8038	Pearl	61	63	2		0
8054	Mccomb	65	59		6	0
8285	Jackson	85	90	5		2
8760	Holly Springs	32	32			0
8848	Tupelo	118	123	5		1
8912	Corinth	34	33		1	0
9094	D'Iberville	94	96	2		1
9124	Gautier	82	78		4	0
9234	Indianola	36	35		1	1
9409	Biloxi	93	85		8	2
9537	West Point	30	29		1	0
9543	Madison	130	121		9	0
9673	Woolmarket	60	64	4		0
9958	Lizana	56	56			0
10216	Brandon	62	67	5		0
10443	Grenada	28	33	5		0
10499	Ocean Springs	76	67		9	0
10901	Oxford	30	34	4		0
Totals		5227	5157	80	150	56

A total net loss of 70 members is shown by this report. Included are 1891 insurance members and 3266 associate members. Also included in these totals are 466 honorary life members, 105 honorary members and 333 inactive members. Included in this report are 56 deceased members reported by their councils since our last convention

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

Jackson	848	Msgr. Paul Hession Conrad Richard
Vicksburg	898	Charles H. Davenport John O. Mackey William H. Ford Joseph Tarnabine William L. Jennings Victor J. O'Connor Sr.
Natchez	1034	Carl Vincent Brown Henry James Foggo Jr. Rev. Thomas Fullam Rev. Michael H. Irwin Joseph S. Giglio
Biloxi	1244	Blaize A. Anglada Richard E. James Clarence F. Theriot PGK, PFn Roy Quave Paul Ray Stockstill Frank C. Wentzell Joseph Duffie Sr.
Bay St. Louis	1522	Gerard Godfrey
Gulfport	1583	Carl W. Weekley Eulice Moran PGK John B. Cazeaux Leonard P. Papania Jr. George L. Jermyn Jr. Edward G. Colbert Frank J. Margiotta James J. Miketinas Sr.

Pascagoula	1605	Henry Gates Francis G. Larson PGK, PFN Marvin Green
Hattiesburg	1908	Sam Farris John Mullican Calogiaro Lombardo
Greenville	2134	Hugh A. Van Norman James T. Warreñ
Laurel	2180	Nelson Wuersch
Leland	2945	Jerry Santucci
Clarksdale	2969	Lewis Borgognoni
Pass Christian	4472	Russell T. Ringer Kermit Z. Anthony Sr.
Long Beach	4898	John J. Verdigets Alfonso Martello Elisha A. Lott William A. Hansen Sr.
Greenwood	5267	John Dunlap
Cleveland	5556	Albert Ferri
Ocean Springs	5654	John R. Bourg Pierre Blais
Brookhaven	7915	Lawrence Theriot
Columbus	7974	Robert C. Walk Mikie Russell PGK, FDD
Jackson	8285	William Thornhill Ralph Kirby
Tupelo	8848	Richard C. Gerhardt
D' Iberville	9094	Joseph P. Neelon
Indianola	9234	Emmett 'Pea Soup' Lott

Biloxi	9409	George Pitts Windell Norris PFN
Madison	9543	Ray Woods Jr. George Harrington

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Niolet
State Secretary

State Treasurer Report

(7-1-93 TO 3-31-94)

Balance from '92-'93 account 9234.25

INCOME

Interest	164.77
Per Capita	26551.90
Other Income	
Flood Relief	1449.71
Children's Home Fund	241.00
Reimbursement - Swentkowski	<u>74.93</u>
Total Income	28482.31

EXPENSES

Bertha McCollum Baptist Children's Home	241.00
K of C Flood Relief	1449.71
State Convention Minute Book	2095.00
Magnolia Knight	1155.33
State Directory	404.46
Supreme Convention Delegate Expense	786.01
State Officer's Bond	356.00
State Deputy's Administrative Expense	1028.09
Executive Secretary's Expense	778.86
State Officer's Expense	1901.27
State Chairmen's Expense	222.91

Reimbursement of Per Capita Overpayment 100.00
 Total Expenses 10518.64

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ACCT. # 246728-01
 (7-1-93 TO 3-31-94)

Balance Transferred From '92-'93 account 9234.25
 Total Income 28482.31
 Total Expenditures 10518.64
 Checking Account Balance (4-1-94) 27197.92

State Advocate Report

It has been a privilege and an honor to have served you, my Brother Knights, this past fraternal year as your State Advocate of the Mississippi Jurisdiction. This year has brought both many rewards and challenges to me and my family.

I can't begin to describe the thrill it was to witness the miracle of life when my son (and hopefully future knight) was born last May. Until that day I really didn't appreciate just how precious life really is. I guess you as parents can also relate to this. On behalf of my wife, Lisa, I want to thank you for your gifts of prayer and congratulation in our moment of joy.

During this year, several of you have called me asking for my assistance. I appreciate your confidence in me, and always welcome your requests. In all cases, I feel I have answered your questions in a legal yet practical manner. Although some decisions were difficult to make, I can assure you they were always in accordance with the laws and rules of our Order. When necessary, I did not hesitate to call Supreme for assistance.

This year my job has allowed me to travel to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Salt Lake City, and El Paso, just to name a few. When time would allow, I would call the local council home and talk to whoever was there. I can assure you that those Brother Knights heard about the Mississippi Knights.

Brothers I would like to thank you for allowing me to serve you as your State Advocate. I pledge to you that I will continue to do my best to promote Columbianism in our great Mississippi Jurisdiction, and will be humbled to serve in whatever future capacity I might be asked to do.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy S. Todaro Jr.
State Advocate

State Warden Report

It seems impossible that a year has passed since I stood before my fellow Mississippi Knights in Tupelo and accepted the position of State Warden. Yet, a year has indeed gone by - a year that has been quite eventful. This year we've had several honors bestowed on our state. Among them - the Supreme Softball Tournament was held in Biloxi, and Past State Deputy Marvin Lott was appointed Vice Supreme Master of the Bienville Province.

Congratulations to Council 1244 for a most successful tournament and to Brother Lott for this prestigious appointment.

Numerous degree exemplifications, membership drives, installations, and council activities were held throughout the state. I was privileged to attend many of these events at your kind invitation. The warm welcomes I received when I visited the various councils made the sometimes long trips worthwhile.

For me, personally, this year has been challenging as well as rewarding, as I gained experience in the duties expected of me as State Warden. Many of these duties are involved in "keeping order" at the various meetings and conventions. But, I consider my primary functions as a State Officer are to serve you, the membership, in whatever means needed, and to promote Catholicism and Columbianism by example. I ask you to remember me in your

prayers as I strive to this end. I also challenge every Knight here present, and every Knight who will read this report to do the same - to endeavor to be an example of the risen Christ; an example of a true Catholic gentleman.

As I close, I would like to say a simple thank you to those who supported me personally as well as the Knights of Columbus - to my fellow State Officers; to the members of my home council, St. Therese; to Father Tom Lalor, my pastor and Council Chaplain; to all Brother Mississippi Knights; and most especially my family - Karen, Jeff, Maria for their love and understanding; and to my Lord, for the many blessings he has bestowed on me through this great association, the Knights Of Columbus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roy Patterson
State Warden

Immediate Past State Deputy Report

It has seemed somewhat strange during this past year not to have traveled as much as I have done in the last six years. Although I needed the break, as all Past State Deputies do, I realized that I missed seeing all of you. I came to understand that my love of this organization was the people. The people who were living good Christian lives and upholding the banners of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. It was you who motivated me to be the best that I could be.

I will not speak to you long because you have heard much from me over the last few years, but I wish to comment on five points that I wish to leave with you.

Perceptions

I have always talked to you about the perception others have for us as Catholics and Knights of Columbus. We are scrutinized

daily by non-catholics and Catholics who judge our character by our actions.

Although you cannot live your life worrying about what others think about you, it should serve as a warning. Do you conduct yourself as a Catholic gentleman? Does the use of profanity, excessive alcohol, mistreatment of family or associates misrepresent our faith? We need to strive to give others the true view of our faith. In Mark, 12, 30-31, Jesus was asked what the greatest commandments were. He answered "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself; there is no other commandment greater than these." Brothers, we can do neither of these if we do not project the image of God fearing men.

Beliefs/Convictions

A second concept I would like to mention is our beliefs and convictions. It may surprise you that one of my favorite apostles is Thomas. Thomas' reaction to the other apostles information that Christ had risen from the dead was predictable. How many of us here would have responded the way Thomas did? In John, 20, 27-29 we hear Jesus say "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it in my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

I think our beliefs waiver at times, especially when things are difficult and not going our way. As Knights of Columbus do we believe that we can recruit new members? Do we believe that we can maintain strong activities? Do we believe that we can make a difference? Do we believe that the Mississippi Jurisdiction can grow and prosper? Do we as Knights and Catholics have the conviction to see our beliefs come to fruition?

Our beliefs are the basis of our faith. How strong is our faith?

Miracles

We have heard a lot about miracles in our life, but how many believe in miracles? I think miracles happen all the time, but we fail to notice them. At times we take the secular world's view of things. We take for granted that things happen by

coincidence or by our horiscope, or the movement of the planets. Luke 11, 29 states "This generation is an evil generation: it seeks a sign, but no sign will be given it, except the sign of Jonah." There are miracles taking place around us all the time. They don't always happen with apparitions, or front page headlines, but they do happen. The birth of a child, the obtaining of a once thought impossible goal; a conversion of a friend or relative; the sobriety of an alcoholic, the curing of an illness. All these are miracles, but we sometimes fail to see them. Have you ever prayed for something only to fail to get it? As time goes on you may achieve another goal which takes the place of the one you desired. In retrospect you realize that what you so wanted was not what was best for you. Have faith. Matthew 6, 8 relates "Your Father knows what you need before you ask him."

Loyalty/Brotherhood

As Knights of Columbus we pride ourselves on Unity and Fraternity. We band together to further our causes and our Faith. But do we always support our Brother Knights, their families, our Priests and Bishops, and Our State Deputy. I hope the answer is yes, but I know we all can do more to support each other. We must rid ourselves of petty arguments, jealousy, and differences. Let us concentrate on what we have in common and not what separates us. It is our faith that must join us together.

As a Past State Deputy I know the frustration that one faces with petty council arguments, excessive suspensions, failure to complete paperwork, etc. We need to commit ourselves today to work as hard as we can for our Jurisdiction.

Our present State Deputy is a man of integrity, great faith, and dedicated to this Order. He knows what we stand for and attempts to live his life in that manner. He is not afraid to tell it like it is, and prays that you are man enough to hear it as it should be. We are Blessed indeed to have a man of his character as our leader. Gentlemen, do you support him? Then I ask for your loyalty and support for him. How disappointed Jesus was when his closest friends could not be with him at his most difficult time. Matthew 26, 40-41 relates that "When he returned to his disciples he found them asleep. He said to Peter "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." Support your State Deputy during his time in

office.

Evangelization

When I was State Deputy, the Bishops, and the Supreme Council discussed with us our role in evangelization, the winning of people over to Christ. Many of us associate evangelization with door-to-door canvassing, but it need not be so. Some of us are more comfortable with talking to people about the Lord, while others demonstrate it in acts of charity. We all can be evangelists by the way we conduct our lives. We need to be role models and examples for others. We are all called to win others to Christ. Jesus says to us like he said to the Eleven in Mark 16, 15-16, "Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is Baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned."

Summary

In summary I have chosen five topics for your consideration. In order for us as Knights of Columbus and Catholics to evangelize others we must have strong beliefs and convictions about our faith. We must be perceived by others as the type person that they would like to associate with. As Knights we must be loyal to each other and our State Deputy. Only then will we have the unity to make a difference. It may all seem difficult and at times impossible, but we must believe in miracles. We must also ask for what we want. One of my favorite passages in the Bible sums up what I want to say. Matthew 7, 7-9, "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

As Knights let us ask, seek, and knock. God bless you.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stanley Swentkowski
Immediate Past State Deputy

General Agent Report

Worthy State Deputy, Reverend State Chaplain, Worthy Supreme Representative, State Officers, Field Agents, Delegates, and Brother Knights, it is and has been a pleasure and an honor to have served as General Agent for the last eleven years.

Let's go back in time to 1983, 1984, and 1985 when I was in the Agency building stage in Mississippi. Those three years were very challenging for me. I had to hire and train Field Agents to give our members the service they deserved. Not ever having a successful full time Field Agent, this was not easy. It took three years to get a good Agency Team for this state. In those years I offered our professional service to the State Family, and asked them to do the same for the Agency, and each year we have gotten more support for the State Family.

In 1986, The Mississippi Agency finished in 25th place. At that time we had four full time Field Agents who did an excellent job, and had written a volume of \$12,820,000, an average of \$3,205,000 each.

Two of those Field Agents are still with the Agency and doing a very good job for our members. They are Fred Ward, who joined the Agency on January 1, 1986, and Jerry Woods who joined us March 1, 1986. These two men qualified for 1993 Incentive award given by Supreme for a job well done, which was a cruise for both him and his wife.

On June 1, 1990 Chris Carrubba joined the Agency force, and is a very talented individual with great potentials. He is very intelligent, and I am very proud to have him on this team.

January 1, 1992 Larry Campbell came on board, and for those of you that know Larry, you know that he will take the bull by the horn and go. The Mississippi Agency has a monthly meeting in Jackson. Larry is my coordinator.

Tom Rossetto, is not new with the Agency Force, he served as a Field Agent in Kansas 18 years prior to transferring to Mississippi. In that period of time he had an outstanding record. I am very proud to have Tom on this team and want to thank him for the knowledge he has shared with his Brother Field Agents and the support he has given this Agency since he has been here.

Jim Rigby is the Rookie on this team and he keeps on keeping on. He has been with the Agency since January 1, 1993. I am looking for big things out of Jim this year.

This Agency produced \$23,021,898 in volume in 1993, in Mississippi. That is an average of \$3,836,983 per agent. With this Agency Team and you (the State Family) and the leaders in the State (You Brothers) we have reached New Heights. In 1987 the total volume in Mississippi was \$43,796,366. In 1992 the total volume in Mississippi was \$102,605,072.

I would like to recognize the councils with members who are over 50% Insurance Members. Councils: (5556) Cleveland 61%; (2945) Leland 59%; (10499) Ocean Springs 58.8%; (848) Jackson 55%; (6765) Starkville 53%; and (9673) Woolmarket 52%.

The councils now leading in the Supreme insurance awards are:

Net Gain: Council (9543) Madison with 7

% Gain: Council (9543) Madison with 233%

In closing, I would like to thank all for the support You members have given the Agency Force, without your support it would make our jobs harder. If the Agency Force can ever be of any assistance to any of you just ask. To the Agency team, many thanks.

Your in Christ,

Henry Mosco, FIC., LUTC.
General Agent

Priest Education Fund Preliminary Report

Contributions to the Priest Education Fund have changed dramatically from previous years; a few showed an increase and many showed a dramatic decrease.

There are several councils that have not as yet made their contributions. I have no way of knowing what the final count will be.

This past year I have sent letters to all members of the Knights of Columbus Family, councils, assemblies and auxiliaries. stressing the importance of the continued support of the Priest Education Fund.

I will announce the final total at the presentation tonight.

Respectfully submitted,

Paulino J. Carrubba
Chairman
Bishop R. O. Gerow Memorial Fund

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 4-1-93	3332.75		
Deposits	86419.37		
Interest	676.79	90428.91	
Withdrawals		85000.00	
Balance 3-31-94			5428.91

Checking Account

Check Book Balance 4-1-93	2353.46		
Deposits from Savings	85000.00	87353.46	
Checks Written and Cleared		62318.57	
Balance			25034.89

Less Outstanding Checks		<u>22205.90</u>
Check Book Balance		2828.99
Plus Check No. 2014 dated 12-3-91 voided		837.45
Plus Check No. 2037 dated 7-9-92 voided		<u>526.83</u>
Balance		4193.27

Bank Statement

Bank Balance 4-1-93	2353.46	
Deposits	85000.00	87353.46
Checks Written and Cleared		<u>62318.57</u>
Bank Balance		25034.89
Less Outstanding Checks		
8-28-92 no. 2074 Baddour Memorial Center	604.95	
9-5-93 no. 2146 Mustard Seed	270.07	
9-5-93 no. 2147 St. Richards Catholic School	270.00	
9-5-93 no. 2148 Brandon High School	270.00	
11-1-93 no. 2158 Bolivar Co. MH. Center	270.75	
3-31-94 no. 2168 Ms. Special Olympics	4500.00	
3-31-94 no. 2169 Christian Services	3920.13	
3-31-94 no. 2170 K of C Internship	4000.00	
3-31-94 no. 2171 K of C Internship	4000.00	
3-31-94 no. 2172 K of C Internship	4000.00	
3-31-94 no. 2173 John P. Myers	100.00	
		<u>22205.90</u>
Bank Balance 3-31-94		2828.99
Plus Check No. 2014 dated 12-3-91 voided		837.45
Plus Check No. 2037 dated 7-9-91 voided		<u>526.83</u>
Corrected Balance 3-3-94		4193.27

Respectfully Submitted,
 John P. Myers PSD
 Paul Carpenter
 C. Bruce Pabon
 Dennis K. Riecke



Knights of Columbus
Foundation of Mississippi, Inc.

1993 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 Adults (3:1)	3,920.13	11,760.39	15,680.52
K OF C INTERNSHIP Case Manager Ellisville State School	Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program for R. Jones	4,000.00		4,000.00
K OF C INTERNSHIP Case Manager Ellisville State School	Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program for L. Cromer	4,000.00		4,000.00
K OF C INTERNSHIP Case Manager Ellisville State School	Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program for S. Dykes	4,000.00		4,000.00
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION TO THE MS. MENTALLY RETARDED-1993		\$61,385.72		
TOTAL FEDERAL AND STATE MATCHING FUNDS-1993			\$132,455.32	
ACCUMULATED TOTAL RECEIVED BY THE MENTALLY RETARDED IN MISSISSIPPI-1993				\$213,841.04
ACCUMULATED TOTAL RECEIVED BY THE MENTALLY RETARDED IN MISSISSIPPI TO DATE				\$4,199,576.37

Respectfully submitted,

DAVE ATTEBERRY - State Chairman
LARRY CAMPBELL - State Co-Chairman

Knights of Columbus Foundation of Mississippi, Inc.

NUMBER	COUNCIL	GROSS INCOME BEFORE DEDUCTIONS	NET INCOME	NET AMOUNT PER MEMBER	AMOUNT TO COUNCIL FOR DISTRIBUTION	STATE DISTRIBUTION	MATCHING FUNDS 1993	ACCUMULATED TOTAL FUNDS DONATED	RECOMMENDED GOAL (NET) FOR 1994 AED
802	MERIDIAN	1808.00	1808.00	8.56	788.00	258.00	3000.00	3788.00	2708.00
848	JACKSON	2437.50	3155.00	38.00	2366.25	788.75		2366.25	3000.00
898	VICKSBURG	2191.27	2000.00	7.50	1500.00	500.00		1500.00	2000.00
1034	NATCHEZ	400.00	345.50	1.99	274.13	91.37		274.13	1000.00
1244	BILOXI	2581.78	2064.25	6.34	1548.19	516.06		1548.19	3500.00
1332	BAY ST. LOUIS	1162.24	1109.94	6.46	832.46	277.48	832.46	1664.92	2000.00
1583	GULFPORT	1194.30	1194.30	3.00	895.73	298.57		895.73	2000.00
1605	PASCAGOULA	5183.55	4340.25	11.80	3755.19	1005.06		3755.19	6000.00
1900	HATTIESBURG	3266.90	2908.00	36.71	2175.00	725.00		2175.00	4000.00
2134	GREENVILLE	1029.83	805.27	5.72	683.95	201.32		683.95	1000.00
2180	LAUREL	1489.82	1144.82	12.10	858.62	286.20	6110.34	6868.96	1000.00
2945	LELAND	2491.25	2000.00	36.44	1500.00	500.00	3000.00	4000.00	3000.00
2969	CLARKSDALE	487.51	487.51	1.77	365.63	121.88		365.63	1200.00
3328	YAZOO CITY	DORMANT							0.00
4472	PASS CHRISTIAN	500.00	500.00	13.16	375.00	125.00		375.00	1200.00
4498	LONG BEACH	2787.50	2600.00	10.80	1950.00	650.00	2050.00	7000.00	3200.00
5267	GREENWOOD	3483.76	3535.81	81.80	2451.36	883.75	7953.78	10485.84	4000.00
5356	CLEVELAND	361.00	361.00	2.82	278.78	90.22	1003.00	1383.78	2000.00
5654	OCEAN SPRINGS	1728.25	1555.75	11.37	1166.81	388.94		1166.81	2200.00
6555	SHELBY	1235.31	1266.31	35.14	949.73	316.58	2849.19	3798.92	1600.00
6592	BASSFIELD	NO RPT							1000.00
6763	STARKVILLE	NO RPT							1000.00
6872	PICAYUNE	4000.00	4000.00	34.85	3000.00	1000.00			400.00
7087	KILN	874.00	696.00	15.61	522.00	174.00		3000.00	2200.00
7120	SOUTHAVEN	NO RPT						832.00	1200.00
7211	LUMBERTON	NO RPT							2000.00
7854	CLINTON	554.44	485.44	12.85	364.80	121.36		364.80	400.00
7910	ORANGE GROVE	1588.00	1416.40	21.75	1067.30	374.10	3186.90	4249.20	2000.00
7915	BROOKHAVEN	3487.50	3553.85	88.81	2664.79	888.36		2664.79	4000.00
7974	COLUMBUS	NO RPT							400.00
8038	PEARL	1650.16	1650.16	27.85	1237.62	412.54	4950.40	6188.10	2000.00
8054	McCOMB	900.00	900.00	15.00	675.00	225.00	2025.00	2700.00	1200.00
8285	ST. THERESE	2479.55	2249.55	31.79	1687.16	562.39		1687.16	3000.00
8760	HOLLY SPRINGS	NO RPT							1000.00
8848	TUPELO	18811.47	17655.73	158.00	12241.79	4413.93	52967.16	64700.95	20000.00
8912	CORINTH	5880.25	5231.80	178.00	3923.25	1387.75	15693.00	19616.25	7500.00
9094	D'IBERVILLE	1016.00	843.50	10.50	632.63	210.87		632.63	1600.00
9114	GAUTIER	219.30	98.50	2.20	8.00	98.50		8.00	500.00
9234	INDIANOLA	1887.16	855.16	27.90	641.37	213.79	1924.11	2565.40	1800.00
9409	WEST BILOXI	2722.50	2377.50	33.20	1783.13	594.37	5349.38	7132.51	3000.00
9537	WEST POINT	DORMANT							0.00
9543	MADISON	NO RPT							2500.00
9673	WOOLMARKET	NO RPT							2000.00
9958	LIZANA	1202.81	1097.81	21.10	823.36	274.45		823.36	1800.00
10216	BRANDON	1210.89	1000.69	28.80	810.87	278.83		810.87	1900.00
10443	GRENADE	1831.91	1486.91	65.43	1115.10	371.73		1115.10	2200.00
10499	OCEAN SPRINGS	1728.25	1555.75	22.44	1166.81	388.94		1166.81	2200.00
10901	OXFORD	1984.17	1767.67	43.47	1325.75	441.92		1325.75	2500.00
	TOTALS FOR 1993	89438.99	81385.72	17.11	60964.99	20426.13	116774.80	177639.89	121700.00
	TOTALS FOR 1992	97326.83	85885.37	18.91	64378.17	21466.70	89463.24	153841.51	110790.00
	INTEREST ON SAVINGS		756.00						

Pro-Life Report

Again, I stand here before you in awe. I am privileged to have the opportunity to be here with you and present to you the Respect of Life by the Knights of Columbus of Mississippi.

As usual, I will endeavor to speak briefly.

Where have we been, where are we, where are we going, what should we be doing? The existence of pro-life sentiment in the Mississippi Jurisdiction is building fast and strong. Like all organizations, Pro-Life took a while to build. But now, all over the country, I see a welling up of Christian strength. I see it in the news, in data I receive from pro-life organization and occasionally from the liberal media. Various churches are coming together in cooperation against the forces of death. More pro-life organizations are forming. At the same time strength is building in the pro-death camp. They are gaining strength also. We thought we were ok with the pro-life support we were getting from the past administration in Washington. Then came the present administration. They reversed the direction. They support tax paid abortions for poor women, a national health care program that promotes rationed health care and tax paid abortions nationwide, experimentation with fetal tissue from aborted babies, abortion promoted internationally with our tax money, a surgeon general who is pro-abortion, pro-condom and antagonistic toward the Catholic Church, support for homo-sexuality, Goals 2000 which is an educational program that encourages school based health clinics and curriculum that puts all students on the same level of intelligence and grades the students on attitudes instead of intelligence and is ignoring the cause of all the problems, the break down of the American family.

What can we do about this? Where can we help? What can you do? You can participate in mail-ins and telephone programs to your legislator, write letters to the editor of your local paper, sign petitions, have a life chain in your city, go to prayer rallies at abortion clinics, support a pregnancy crisis center in your area, form a pro-life committee in your council, church, community, school or college, contribute to the 1-800 pregnancy crisis line and national pro-life organizations, get the KC billboard poster installed in your area, join and support national pro-life organizations such as American Life League, American Family Association, Concerned Women of America, establish a tomb of the unborn in a Catholic cemetery or on your parish property, bring the cross of the unborn to your council and ask your pastor to display it at a pro-life mass.

The Gianna Jessen program in Ocean Springs was a huge success. 715 people attended. It was promoted by Jackson County Life League. Gianna survived a saline abortion and is now 16 years old and is witnessing to the country about abortion

We, Jim Glover and Antoine Otto want to thank the State Deputy for promoting a pro-life rosary and a state pro-life committee.

Fraternally submitted,

Antoine Otto & Jim Glover

The Second Business Session closed at 11:55 a.m. with a prayer led by State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery.

Third Business Session

The Third Business Session was opened at 2:30 p.m. by State Deputy Thomas Zettler. The following prayer was offered by State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery.

Saturday Afternoon Prayer

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
You have called us to be the servants of Your servants
our brothers in the Knights of Columbus.
We meet here as their representatives,
and so we ask for the Grace of Your Guidance.
Help us to truly represent the needs of our local councils and
not simply ourselves.
May the common good of all be our concern.
Above all, may Your Will in these matters become our Will.
Help us who serve in these elected positions to remember that all
of our concerns are aimed at the spiritual transformation of your
people.
May the material aspects we shall discuss not blind us to the
primary work of our order, the holiness of all its members.
May the Holy Spirit, who inspired the Pentecost meeting of the
apostles, visit us and grant us the light of Divine Wisdom.
For we ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever.
Amen

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brother Marvin L. Lott PSD.,
Vice Supreme Master of the Fourth Degree.

Supreme Representative Thomas Smith Vice-President of Agency
Administration at Supreme Council offered his thanks for the
hospitality shown to him during his convention stay in Biloxi.

1994 State Convention Mileage and Per Diem Report

Name	Office	Miles	Mileage	Per Diem	Total
			x.20	2x\$45	
STATE OFFICERS					

Rev. K. Slattery	St. Chap.	327	\$65.40	\$90.00	\$155.40
Tom Zettler	St. Dep.	166	33.20	90.00	123.20
Greg Niolet	St. Sec.	23	4.60	90.00	94.60
Jesse Quinn III	St. Treas.	261	52.20	90.00	142.20
Guy Todaro	St. Adv.	21	4.20	90.00	94.20
Roy Patterson	St. Ward.	165	33.00	90.00	123.00
Stan Swentkowski	Immed. PSD	316	63.20	90.00	153.20
Subtotal		1279	\$255.80	\$630.00	\$885.80

PAST STATE DEPUTIES

Marvin Lott	PSD			\$90.00	\$90.00
Dennis Ladnier Sr.	PSD			90.00	90.00
Wiley Price Jr.	PSD			90.00	90.00
Robert Fratesi	PSD			90.00	90.00
Rodney Sandoz	PSD			90.00	90.00
David Atteberry	PSD	Not Present			
Jesse Quinn Jr.	PSD			90.00	90.00
George Scheiderman	PSD	Not Present			
Norman Kiehm	PSD	Not Present			
Fred Westbrook Jr.	PSD			90.00	90.00
Ely Shapley	PSD	Not Present			
John P. Myers	PSD			90.00	90.00
Subtotal				\$720.00	\$720.00

STATE PROGRAM PERSONNEL

Lou Zylka	Membership	174	\$34.80	90.00	\$124.80
John Maloney	Program	Paid as a Delegate			
John Szymonik	Church	Paid as a Delegate			
James Yaggi	Community	109	21.80	90.00	111.80
Leroy Hebert	Council	Paid as a Delegate			
John Bennett	Family	166	33.20	90.00	123.20
Charlie Underwood	Youth	12	2.40	90.00	92.40
Subtotal		461	\$92.20	\$360.00	\$452.20

DISTRICT DEPUTIES

Gene Ingram	DD 1	307	\$61.40	\$90.00	\$151.40
Victor Aguzzi	DD 2	Paid as a Delegate			
Warren Doiron	DD 3	207	41.40	90.00	131.40
Rick Gaspard	DD 4	165	33.00	90.00	123.00
Paul Carpenter	DD 5	Not Present			
Rick Penick	DD 6	137	27.40	90.00	117.40
Jerry Perkins	DD 7	Not Present			
Richard Hoda	DD 8	41	8.20	90.00	98.20
Hollis Moran	DD 9	25	5.00	90.00	95.00
Ted Knowles	DD 10	21	4.20	90.00	94.20
Subtotal		903	\$180.60	\$630.00	\$810.60

Council	Miles	Mileage x.20	Per Diem 2x \$45	Subtotal	Total
802	166	\$33.20	\$90.00	\$123.20	\$246.40
848	165	33.00	90.00	123.00	246.00
898	207	41.40	90.00	131.40	262.80
1034	205	41.00	90.00	131.00	262.00
1244	0	0	90.00	90.00	180.00
1522	27	5.40	90.00	95.40	190.80
1583	12	2.40	90.00	92.40	184.80
1605	21	4.20	90.00	94.20	188.40
1908	78	15.60	90.00	105.60	211.20
2134	281	56.20	90.00	146.20	292.40
2180	109	21.80	90.00	111.80	223.60
2945	273	54.60	90.00	144.60	289.20
2969	316	63.20	90.00	153.20	306.40
4472	23	4.60	90.00	94.60	189.20
4898	18	3.60	90.00	93.60	187.20
5267	261	52.20	90.00	142.20	284.40
5556	293	58.60	90.00	148.60	297.20
5654	4	.80	90.00	90.80	181.60
6555	308	61.60	90.00	151.60	303.20
6592	106	21.20	90.00	111.20	222.40
6765	249	49.80	90.00	139.80	279.60
6872	61	12.20	90.00	102.20	204.40
7087	41	8.20	90.00	98.20	196.40
7120	355	71.00	90.00	161.00	322.00
7211	71	14.20	90.00	104.20	208.40
7854	175	35.00	90.00	125.00	250.00
7910	12	2.40	90.00	92.40	184.80
7915	155	31.00	90.00	121.00	242.00
7974	255	51.00	90.00	141.00	282.00
8038	154	30.80	90.00	120.80	241.60
8054	137	27.40	90.00	117.40	234.80
8285	165	33.00	90.00	123.00	246.00
8760	346	69.20	90.00	159.20	318.40
8848	307	61.40	90.00	151.40	302.80
8912	356	71.20	90.00	161.20	322.40
9094	4	.80	90.00	90.80	181.60
9124	17	3.40	90.00	93.40	186.80
9234	267	53.40	90.00	143.40	286.80
9409	0	0	90.00	90.00	180.00
9543	171	34.20	90.00	124.20	248.40
9673	6	1.20	90.00	91.20	182.40

9958	25	5.00	90.00	95.00	190.00
10216	174	34.80	90.00	124.80	249.60
10443	270	54.00	90.00	144.00	288.00
10499	4	.80	90.00	90.80	181.60
10901	327	65.40	90.00	155.40	310.80
Subtotal	6977	\$1395.40	\$4140.00	\$5535.40	\$10909.60

Subtotal from State Officers.....	\$885.80
Subtotal from Past State Deputies.....	720.00
Subtotal from State Program Personnel.....	452.20
Subtotal from District Deputies.....	810.60
Subtotal from Convention Delegates.....	10909.60

GRAND TOTAL MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.....\$13778.20

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Shapley
 Wade Ditcharo
 Carl Brochard
 Buddy Honeycutt
 Ben DiLorenzo
 Joe Tannehill
 Jesse Quinn, III Chairman

Past State Deputies

The following is a list of the living past state deputies who have served the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus.

1950 - 1952	John P. Myers	X
1961 - 1963	Ely P. Shapley	
1963 - 1965	Fred L. Westbrook, Jr.	X

1969 - 1971	Norman L. Kiehm	
1973 - 1975	George R. Scheidtman	
1975 - 1977	Jesse J. Quinn	X
1977 - 1979	G. David Atteberry	
1979 - 1981	Rodney J. Sandoz	X
1983 - 1985	Robert Fratesi	X
1985 - 1987	Wiley Price, Jr.	X
1987 - 1989	Dennis E. "Doc" Ladnier, Sr.	X
1989 - 1991	Marvin L. Lott	X
1991 - 1993	Stanley M. Swentkowski	X

Those listed above who are in attendance at this convention (those present are indicated by an "X" mark) are entitled to two (2) days per diem, unless they are also a delegate, in which case they would also be entitled to mileage.

Respectfully Submitted,

John P. Myers, President
Past State Deputies Association

Audit Committee

Brother Knights:

The Knights of Columbus Audit Committee met and reviewed the report of State Treasurer Jesse Quinn III, which covers the period of July 1, 1993 through March 31, 1994.

This review consisted principally of inquiries of the state treasurer, analytical procedures applied to the financial data and a general examination of the ledger, bank statements, canceled checks, deposits and invoices. This review is substantially less in scope than an audit.

Based on our review we are not aware of any material changes that should be made to the state treasurer's report.

However, the Audit Committee would like to make the following recommendations:

- 1) The state treasurer's report should cover a twelve month period commencing April 1 and ending March 31.
- 2) In years in which there is a change in state treasurer, all records for the period April 1 to June 30 and excess deposits being held by the outgoing treasurer should be turned over to the new treasurer promptly at June 30. The outgoing treasurer should maintain copies of any records he feels necessary.
- 3) All financial records should be kept for at least five years in a location which is readily accessible to the audit committee or other interested parties.
- 4) Miscellaneous expenditures included in expense reports turned into the state council should be supported by itemized invoices and attached to the reports.

Respectfully submitted,

John Bernardi	2134
Richard T. Leiding	8285
Joe Serio	8054
Ralph Corrado	7479
Brad Burden, CPA	5267
Richard Benton	6765
Paul D. Borgognoni	2969
Kerry S. Roberts	10499

The Good of the Order Committee

The Good of The Order committee met in room 11 with the following men in attendance:

Roy Patterson, Chairman	
Dennis Dunn	8054
Scott Higginbotham	9673
Claude Vinson	8760
Charlie Morlino	2945
Warren Reso	4472
Harvey Caldwell	5267

Issues discussed were as follows:

(1) Notification of The Death of a Member

There is a need for state officers and other members to be notified of a death of a Brother Knight. (Many times members are not aware of a death until the convention). Possibly this notification could be published in the Magnolia Knight.

(2) "Good of the Order" and Lecturer

Councils should utilize the "Good of the Order" and Lecturer portions of monthly meetings. It was pointed out these programs could be used to better advantage.

(3) Degree Exemplifications

Members need to escort their candidates to initiations, and other members should attend Degrees when possible. This committee stresses the importance of welcoming new members by this supportive gesture.

(4) Recognition Certificates

Supreme Council provides several "recognition" certificates that can be used for a variety of purposes. Councils are asked to consider using these certificates to convey recognition or appreciation to individuals of groups (doesn't have to be just Knights).

(5) Program Directors

Concern was expressed that Program Directors are not being informed about scheduled events, such as degree exemplifications. Possible solutions to this problem: (1) Grand Knights need to keep Program Directors apprised of state activities, (2) Can state mailouts and notices be sent to Grand Knights and Program Directors?

(6) Magnolia Knight

We have an excellent tool for communication in our Magnolia Knight. Everyone is urged to submit relevant material to the newsletter.

(7) "In-Active Members"

The issue of how to get inactive members involved was discussed. Councils need to keep in touch with these members perhaps using "calling committees" to keep them informed of council activities and to maintain personal contact.

Respectfully Submitted
Roy Patterson

State Ceremonial Chairman Report

As State Ceremonial Chairman, I am privileged to report the Ceremonial Activities within the state for the 1993-1994 fraternal year.

Three 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications were scheduled for the first half of the fraternal year and three were performed. Three 2nd and 3rd degree were scheduled for the second half of the fraternal year and two were performed. One more degree is scheduled for May 22, 1994 in Meridian.

The Supreme Status Report for the first half of the fraternal year shows that four 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications were scheduled, we received credit for three, and three were performed,

three was all that was scheduled. The report gave us credit for sixteen 1st Degree and sixteen were performed. For the 2nd half of the fraternal year six 1st Degree were performed and the report gave us credit for six. Giving us a total of five 2nd 3rd Degree and 22 1st degree for the fraternal year.

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 Exemplifications Report", form #450. The host District Deputy is the one that has to submit form #450 to the Supreme Office.

There are only two 2nd and 3rd Degree teams in the Jurisdiction at the present time, one in the southern part and one in the northern part of the state. The expense of bringing the southern team to the northern part of the state and the northern team to the southern part is very expensive. That also presents a problem for the Greenwood Council and the Pascagoula Council to get their members their 2nd and 3rd degree. An out of state degree team has to be brought in to perform the degree work. To keep from bringing an out of state degree team to perform the Degree Exemplification two more degree team are required, one in central part and another in the southern part of the state.

The Meridian Council have submitted the proper requisition form to start a 2nd degree team with the possibility of starting a 3rd degree team in the future, and the Pass Christian Council will gear up again and form a 2nd and 3rd degree team. If these two councils can form 2nd and 3rd degree teams our problem will be solved.

More 1st degree teams should be formed 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
State Chairman

Ceremonial Committee Report

The 1994 Ceremonial Committee recommends the following:

1. That all councils form a 1st Degree team.
2. That two more 2nd and 3rd Degree teams be formed, one in the central and one in the southern 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. The dress code shall be strictly enforced whether the degree work is being performed at its Council or visiting another Council for degree work being performed.
4. That all degrees, 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree teams should have replacement personal available in case the regular team member can't perform his duty for any reason.
5. That all District Deputies submit Form 450 "District Deputy Exemplification Report" to the Supreme Office with copies to the State Deputy and State Ceremonial Chairman.
6. That all District Deputies submit Form 2408 "District Deputy Ceremonial Report", to the Supreme Director of Ceremonials with copies to the State Deputy and State Ceremonials Chairman.
7. The dress code adopted at the 1985 convention is dress pants, dress shirt, and dress shoes with coats and tie optional, for all degrees being performed in the Jurisdiction.
8. That more members attend the Exemplifications being performed throughout the state, that include all degrees.
9. That 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications be performed every 2 months. This time span is to allow councils to get more members.
10. That 1st Degree Exemplifications be performed at least one to two weeks before 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications. This is so that the councils don't lose the members.
11. That all members refrain from talking to the Ds when attending the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications. Let the Ds do their work.
12. That the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications be scheduled more centralized so councils can bring their members to receive their degrees, one in the southern, one in the north and one in the central part of the state.
13. That Councils that agree to sponsor a 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications notify all councils as to the date, time and what degrees will be performed that day.

14. That the membership chairman, State deputy and ceremonials chairman get together when scheduling 2nd and 3rd degree.
15. That the State Ceremonial Chairman contact the host District Deputy when a 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications is being scheduled in his District, so he can oversee that the scheduled 2nd and 3rd degree will be performed on the scheduled date.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wiley Price, Jr. PSD, Chairman
Ivan Lambert
Darren Cowart
Gordon Coker
Eddie Dixon
Anthony Moran
Warren Doiron

Public Relations Committee Report

Knights of Columbus?
What's That?
Oh, your part of that group!
That's just a bunch of wild men having a good old time.

How many times have we heard comments like this. You may think that these days are long gone, and that this misconception no longer exists, but it does. The community as a whole has very little knowledge of who we are and what we are all about. How easy recruitment would be if they only knew the truth.

Whose business is it to inform the public or our parish of what we're all about? It's ALL of our responsibilities to inform and to teach by what we say and what we do. Actions speak louder than words.

How best can this be done. On the council level, each council public relations chairman should endeavor to use all means at his disposal to inform his fellow knights and church parishioners about the activities of his council. Use your parish bulletins, the radio, your local newspapers, and your diocesan newspapers to

let the word out that we're catholic men and that we are here to help. Your council public relations chairman should be proud to pass along the accomplishments of his fellow knights. Nothing will incite more positive activity in your council than the positive reinforcement that good deeds do not go unnoticed.

Notice also good works done by persons other than Knights. Next month when your council is trying to decide on the Family of the Month, nominate someone deserving in your parish. The Family of the Month does not have to be chosen from among your council family. Many persons in your parish are certainly deserving of this honor. When giving this award, perhaps at a mass that this family attends, regale the congregation on the attributes of your choice and why your council felt them deserving of this honor.

Try to instill into the parish that the Knights of Columbus is a family organization. Hold family events. Invite prospective candidates, or perhaps the parish community to some function at your council home. The more exposure that we have to the community and our parish the better our perception is in the public eye.

A great opportunity to show our community support is coming up. The Tootsie Roll Drive is an excellent example of what activities we need to emphasize. Call you local radio stations and arrange to talk about this event on the air a week prior to holding the event. For such charitable works, most stations will waive any air fees. Write to your mayor, and get a proclamation issued for this event, similar to the one issued by the governor of the State of Mississippi. Get the event into your local paper and emphasize what the money is used for.

Beyond this, keep your membership informed. That monthly newsletter which is sometimes so difficult to get out, may help to bring you the needed help for your next function. Many inactive members can't always make every event, but one may strike their fancy and you may be surprised at the number of people you get. Use programs which emphasize the positive aspects of our organization and always praise in public and criticize in private.

One proposal of the committee that we would like to make is to use the remarks made by Bishop Howze and Bishop Houck from the convention book and have their remarks published in the catholic diocesan papers. The committee feels that this would reinforce our dedication to our Bishops and our clergy and that their

support in our endeavors only helps to further our organization commitment to our churches.

We as brother knights must always remember that our actions and our deeds will set the standards on how others judge us.

It is with deep regret that this committee must announce the resignation of John Pat Myers as the editor of the Magnolia Knight. His service to our organization is deeply and will be sorely missed.

We are currently looking for a new editor for our state newsletter. If anyone wishes to take on this position or knows of someone who would, please contact our State Deputy or any State Officer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Public Relations Committee
Scott E. Dibbs, Chairman
Frank Dominoni
Reed Fontenot
James Leatherwood
Francis Moran
Hollis Moran

State Convention Meeting Report

Members Present: Marvin L. Lott PSD
Vicksburg- Thomas Thorton
Alvin Kingston 1522
Leo Borosky 9124
Daniel Lechner 9409
John Lewis 10216
William Reynolds 10901
Richard Hoda- State Host
Greg Niolet- State Sec. Convention Chairman

The following recommendations were made by the 1993 State

Convention Committee and followed at this convention.

- (1) Different color badges for delegates from member badge.
- (2) Keep registration fee same.
- (3) Provide convention packets at mid-winter meeting. This recommendation saved the convention host councils postage money. We recommend that 1995 convention packets be handed out in same manner.

A letter was received from Tupelo, council 8848 for 1998 convention to be held in Tupelo. This was the only letter received from any council. This decision is to be made by delegates when State Deputy Tom Zettler addresses new business.

We as committee members recommend that a sample state convention agenda of 1995 be mailed out to the council Grand Knight and Committee Assignment be mailed out by April 1, 1995. We as members of this committee know that the only way the assignments can be appointed by our worthy State Deputy is if the council Grand Knight and Financial Secretary present the proper paper work on time to the Worthy State Secretary and our one to the Worthy State Deputy. We must as members of this great order fulfill our responsibilities on paper work if we expect our Worthy State Deputy to fulfill his.

This committee wishes to commend the Host Convention Committee and their staff for organizing and performing their duties in an excellent manner. We thank you for making our stay in Biloxi a pleasant one.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marvin L. Lott PSD
State Convention Committee of 1994

Report of the Financial Secretaries Meeting

The Financial Secretaries Meeting was held at 1:00 pm. An opening prayer was said by Brother Gordon Cowie. There were 13 Financial Secretaries in attendance along with Supreme Representative Tom Smith and Our General Agent Henry Mosco.

The following items were discussed:

1. The resolution concerning payment of expenses for the Financial Secretary attending the State Convention. It was agreed that since a resolution had been submitted to the resolution committee our comments would not have any bearing on their decision at this time.
2. Computer software was brought up and asked if this would be available from Supreme. Brother Tom Smith replied that Supreme is working on this and should be available in the near future.
3. The time of the Financial Secretaries meeting was discussed about one hour not being enough time for a meeting. No action was taken.
4. The reporting of deceased members in the Magnolia Knight was discussed and agreed that councils should send this information to the Magnolia Knight. This is to prevent any embarrassment to the general membership when inquiring about a brother knight.
5. Also it was mentioned that councils are failing to send their councils newsletter to other councils. Most councils are receiving only 2 or 3 newsletters while many councils are receiving credit in the state program for this activity.
6. The use of the final notice was mentioned as some felt that this would save more members than our current system.
7. Our Supreme Representative was asked if the Supreme Council would consider an 1-800 phone number for the convenience of K of C councils. He reported that the phone call would do away with the printed word and record of any transaction.
8. We discussed the method of the Financial Secretaries session at the School of Columbianism was of no value to veteran Financial Secretaries and that a training session be set up. Brother Tom Smith mentioned that Louisiana has a very efficient Financial Secretaries Association and that maybe the President of the association would consider conducting a session for us.

The meeting adjourned with a prayer at 2:30 pm.

Fraternally Submitted

Robert Fratesi, PSD, 2134 chairman	Michael Bucciantini 1908
Gordon Cowie, 8038 recorder	Rodney Sandoz PSD 4898
George Souderes 1034	Charles Bounds 7211
Harry Steinwinder 1244	Daniel Squillante 7910
Earl Bougeois 1522	Guy Todaro Sr 1583
Harry Creagan 8054	Fritz Oberlies 1583
James Ulmer 2969	Bob Hudson 10901

Membership Report

Worthy State Deputy, Worthy Past State Deputy, Worthy Officers,
Brother Knights, (Bishop and State Chaplain & Clergy)

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is an honor bestowed upon us by those who have gone before. We recognize their struggles and improve our beloved order to lessen the burdens, so that all Catholic gentlemen, in union with the holy see may participate in the benefit.

Brothers the work is fraternal, the need is the family.

Today's cries are greater. Our tasks are more important. The church dependency is on us, the Knights of Columbus, but yet we meander....

This fraternal year I can circle the names of 5 brothers who have given our jurisdiction 25% of our membership. What did the rest of us do???? We will end up in 5th place in division VI net gain standing. Our gain 235 our loss 131 our net gain 104.

Our top proposer award this year is an example of what a motivated Knight of Columbus can do and upon presentation of the award, this brother should truly be honored (Brother and Grand Knight Thomas F. Chady) 898 Vicksburg.

Each month top proposers were given to various councils.

(tie)	June	Madison	9543
		Jackson	8285
		Brandon	10216

	July	Vicksburg	898
	Aug.	Biloxi	1244
	Sept.	Greenville	2134
	Oct.	Biloxi	1244
	Nov.	Grenada	10443
(tie)	Dec.	Meridian	802
	Jan.	Tupelo	8848
	Feb.	Meridian	802
(tie)	Mar.	Madison	9543

Also for the membership year Top Gun Councils for 1994 awarded:

Meridian	802
Hattiesburg	1908
Pass Christian	4472
Jackson	8285
Madison	9543
Grenada	10443
Oxford	10901

At this time I would like to place before you some statistics:

Facts:

Keeping A Brother Knight

It takes 6 times longer to get a new member than it does to keep an old member.

A typical dissatisfied brother will tell 8-10 people about their problem.

Seven to ten complaining brothers will stay with the council if you resolve their complaint by only hearing them out, explaining the real problem.

If you resolve a problem on the spot 95% of the membership will forget about it and continue as always.

Of those brothers who do quit, 66% do so because of an attitude of indifference by the council or a specific individual.

Brothers, membership in the Knights of Columbus is volunteer, but the events that plague our families today are not.

Be a Knight of Columbus, retain your membership. As statistics show, those brother who are retained can be had at a small price.

Be responsible for your candidate.

1st propose him

2nd be with him through his degree

3rd assist in counseling and help him understand.

Maintain Membership-- Don't let your council be so involved with fund raisers that they forget the original purpose of the Knights of Columbus.

1. The family--first and foremost, mother and children. Include them.

2. The church, work with, work for.

3. Brothers in need, sick or in distress.

4. Your community, your country.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is a large undertaking, don't lose sight of the true meaning when we say we are "A Knight of Columbus".

Yours in Christ

Louis F. Zylka

State Membership Director

Membership Committee Report

The membership committee met in room 11.

Worthy Reverend Clergy, Worthy Supreme Representative, Worthy State Deputy, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy Vice Supreme Master, Worthy State Officers, My brother knights all:

Please remember what "Recruiting is About".

Keeping a Brother Knight!

It takes 6 times longer to get a new member than to keep an old member!

A typical dissatisfied brother will tell 8-10 others about their problem.

Seven to ten complaining Knights will stay with the council if you resolve their complaints by only hearing them out, explaining the real problem.

If you resolve the problem on the spot, 95% of them will forget about it and continue on as always.

Of the brothers who quit, 66% do so because of an attitude of indifference by the council or a certain individual.

Take another look at the Membership awards!

Eliminate the dead period, go from 9 months to 12 months like other jurisdictions!

Redouble your efforts on retention, (check Grand Knights handbook pages 39-45), send the names directly to the State Deputy to suspension proceedings!

The proposer must take on the responsibility to the new member, ie:

1. Take and be with at all degrees
2. Bring to the council meetings
3. Introduce to all the Brothers.

Explain what the Knights are about and the benefits of being a true Knight of Columbus.

As our State Deputy, Thomas Zettler asked us, do our duty as a Knight of Columbus.

In the Supreme Newsletter they are promoting a new-old program: "Bring Our Brothers Back".

Our top proposer awards:

1. Councils should have a monthly award
2. State should award quarterly
3. Supreme awards on annual theme

We shall now close this meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Lewis F. Zylka
Membership Committee Chairman

New Council Development

It was hoped that I could have, by now, reported that discussions towards new councils in this area were in the finalization stages and that all obstacles had been overcome. That is not the case, lamentably so, for it has been most frustrating in not being successful in getting the full cooperation of all those involved, especially those who have yet to appreciate the value of a Council wherever it might be located. In other words, and I say this quite frankly, some parishes have yet to be convinced of the usefulness of a Council, in view of the fact that the cooperation between Councils and parish heads has been proven so many times in some many areas to be a definite asset spiritually and otherwise. In time, however, this reticence will, I'm sure, be overcome.

The District Deputies in the areas in question have reported some resistance in getting the ball rolling. After discussing the situation with the District Deputies involved, it was learned that out of four possible Councils, that only one, Moss Point, Miss. possesses the necessary number of Catholic men to start a new Council when considering the area where there is a larger Catholic population. The other three, Pass Christian, Vicksburg and Chatawa, appear to be in a position to form Round Table participation, as I was informed.

I intend to continue pressing for some definite favorable outcome by working closely with the District Deputies involved whom I know are doing their part in trying to overcome their initial set backs. We are all in agreement that to try to force the issue would be most counterproductive. Therefore, much patience and tact is of prime importance when dealing with those whom we must convince in some positive manner. Meanwhile,

we must pray that Columbianism will prevail. I'm sure it will.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. Bonfiglio
N C D Co-Chairman

Program Committee Report

Following members were present: John Maloney, Program Dir.

Church Activities

John Szymonic, CHM
Julius Broussard 1244
Martin Bergin, 2180
Fred Roquemore, 7854
Arthur Dunn, 9094

Council Activities

Leroy Hebert, CHM
William Geoghegan. 1034
Albert Rocconi, 9409
John Ward, 7910
Thomas Wedig, 6872
John P. Durham 9409

Family Activities

John Bennett, CHM
Chris Daly, 6592
Dennis Riecke, 9543
Ray Billeaud, 7087

Community Activities

Jim Yaggi, CHM
Jim Putnam, 1583
Kevin Vanderlip
Steve Neuman, 6765
Joel Varnado, 7910
Clinton Barron, 9124

Youth Activities

Charlie Underwood, CHM
John Lang. 1908
Robert Foster, 5654
Theodore Lala, 7211
Joe Haftck, 7974
Hugh Gilmore, 9673

The Program Committee met at 100 P.M. in the main meeting hall. The five Program Activity Committees met and discussed their activities prior to meeting in mass with the Program Director. Each committee submitted recommendations for mandatory programs/projects for the 1994-95 Awards Program.

Other considerations were discussed as follows:

1. Move reporting date back to April 1st.
2. Get councils to submit for Supreme Awards from all program areas.
3. To be considered for Distinguished Council Award, the council must compete for the Best Vocation Award.
4. All councils are encouraged to submit a Family of the Month every month.

The Program Director reported that 30 Councils participated in the awards Program. This was an increase over last year.

13 Councils received Honor Council,
8 Councils received Distinguished Council.

There were only 27 submissions for the 5 Supreme Awards.

7 Youth
6 Community
5 Family
5 Church
4 Council

This was a very poor showing for such prestigious awards.

There were

8 submissions for Family of the Year,
10 for News Letter, and
6 Vocation (3 for each diocese)

The consensus was that the awards program is fair and impartial and should continue as is. More information should promulgated.

It was recommended that the dead time (April 1 thru March 31) for membership be eliminated. Competitive year for membership should start April 1st and end March 31st.

Time was running short and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

John J. Maloney
Program Director

Church Activities Report 1993 - 1994

The following is a report on Church Activities for the fraternal year 1993-1994.

Twenty-six (26) Councils have reported on their Church activities indicating a most active and aggressive Church activities year. Active participation in the mandatory service programs was reported as follows:

Twenty-four (24) Councils reported MONETARY/MATERIAL SUPPORT OF PASTOR.

Twenty-One (21) sponsored A MARION HOUR OF PRAYER.

Ten (10) conducted a PROGRAM TO HONOR THE CLERGY.

Nine (9) conducted A VOCATIONS PROGRAM.

Four (4) held MONTHLY CORPORATE COMMUNION.

The following councils have submitted reports on their activities:

District One: 8848 Tupelo and 10901 Oxford.

District Two: 5267 Greenwood; 5556 Cleveland; 10443 Grenada.

District Three: 898 Vicksburg; 2134 Greenville; 2945 Leland.

District Four: 8038 Pearl and 8285 St. Therese.

District Five: 802 Meridian.

District Six: 1034 Natchez; 7915 Brookhaven; 8054 McComb.

District Seven: 1908 Hattiesburg and 2180 Laurel.

District Eight: 1522 Bay St. Louis; 4472 Pass Christian; 4898 Long Beach; 7087 Kiln.

District Nine: 1583 Gulfport; 7910 Orange Grove; 9409 W. Biloxi.

District Ten: 1605 Pascagoula; 5654 Ocean Springs and
10499 Ocean Springs.

These Council efforts and their timely reporting are to be commended. They have through their untiring efforts sponsored activities which enabled the individual brother knight to set constant and worthy examples as an ideal Catholic to his family, his community and his fellow members.

Reports indicate a lack of interest in the participation of the recitation of the ROSARY. Only five (5) councils indicated active participation. This committee hopes that more councils will get involved in activities pertaining to the Rosary and emphasize the beauty and worth of devotion to Mary and Her Divine

Son.

Special recognition must be afforded to the following Councils as follows:

Vicksburg Council 898:

"Established liaisons with Church parishes; work very closely with pastors and parish councils to ensure that K of C monetary, manpower, and material resources are made available and prioritized to afford maximum benefit to pastors and parishes. Representatives then report back to Council and arrange to address identified needs."

C.G. SHAPLEY (LELAND) COUNCIL NO. 2945

"The "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" Billboard, which we had purchased was put up on HWY 82 East, Greenville and Leland. The billboard stayed up all during the Season of Advent. The 4 radio spots "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" which we ordered started airing on local radio station W.B.A.Q. in Greenville. The "PEACE BE TO YOU" Billboard was taken to be put up on HWY 82 East between Greenville and Leland and it will be up until well after Easter. This is an Easter Billboard."

The Church Activities Committee expresses its appreciation to the State Deputy, the State Family, District Deputies, Grand knights, Council church activities directors and all brother Knights for their active participation in the Church programs this year.

Thank you, worthy state deputy for allowing me to serve.
VIVAT JESUS

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Szymonik
State Church Activities
Director

Holy Family Hour of Prayer

The following is a preliminary report on the "HOLY FAMILY HOUR OF PRAYER" program:

The schedule for this activity has been issued to all State Officers, District Deputies and Grand Knights.

The family hour of prayer began at Meridian on 9 October 1993. Twenty-Six (26) Councils have completed this program to date. Charles R. Brill Council 8054 McComb was the last council to conduct this service to date.

Except for a few minor problems in communication it is assumed the program is moving along smoothly. I have not received any reports of problems from anyone.

Twenty (20) more Councils are scheduled and according to the schedule Msgr. P. J. Council 1605 Pascagoula will end the program on or about 27 August 1994.

VIVAT JESUS

Respectfully Submitted,

John F. Szymonik
Chairman

State Community Director

This past year has been a very outstanding year for all our councils throughout the state. We have made progress in areas where we may have been a little slack in the past, and we have flourished in those areas that we have always worked with in the past.

Many of our councils have restructured their ways of raising funds for donations since the gambling boats and casinos have become legal in our state, while some councils have suffered.

However, the ones that have lost their bingo halls due to lack of support in the community have made up the charitable contributions with manpower in the form of working at different churches, schools, community projects, clubs, and for needy individuals.

This past year on the state level, we have as a state wide organization, made three very generous contributions. Two were made within our state, one going to the abuse shelter in Tupelo, and the other to the Baptist Children's Home at Shady Grove community, north of Laurel. The other donation went to the flood victims of this past springs flooding of the Mississippi river valley and its tributaries.

There are many other areas within our state that need attention. Not just in monetary support, but from just a few hours of work, possibly one evening a week, or a half day on the weekends if possible. Some of these areas that have been brought to my attention are: spending time with young boys at a local boys club, being a role model for them. working on playground equipment at your local school. coaching pee wee or youth basketball and football at the school your children attend. Get more involved in the Habitat for Humanity campaign in your community, and if there isn't one started, start one.

This next year, let's try to be the best we can in all areas of the state. Remember this thought, when someone asks for help, and you say, "I'll help next time, I really don't have the time". If you were the one in trouble, or having the bad luck, wouldn't you be proud to see your brother knights standing at your side, helping you keep your head up, and giving you all the support you need to keep going, I know that I sure would. Have a good year, and may God bless you and your families.

Faithfully Submitted,

Jim Yaggi
State Community Director

Family Director Report

Brother Knights,

First let me thank all the councils for sending to myself their monthly newsletters. Each of them have been an inspiration. So many councils both large and small have documented their works of charity, and other works that have involved families and councils.

The supreme Family of the Month program has been outstanding. It indeed has been the best that I've been involved with these past five years. The councils that have recognized their families are to be commended. In all 28 different councils participated in this Supreme Program, fourteen (14) different families in the Mississippi jurisdiction received the Holy Family Statuette from Supreme.

Twenty seven (27) councils submitted to the Family Director their reports for this fraternal year. Five councils were 100 percent participation in Supreme's Family of the Month Program. They are:

Meridian 802

Biloxi 1244

Orange Grove 7910

Jackson St. Therese 8285

Ocean Springs 10499

Our councils averaged (17) seventeen Families per month submitted.

The Pro-Life rally in Jackson MS was well attended by many councils from the Coast to the Delta, and all points in between. We Knights with our banners were well represented and well received by the other churches in the Jackson area. The event was easy. We simply prayed to God to change their mind on this grave issue. Be it known that the knights attended with their families. These are in my opinion the two most important items under the Family Directors report.

Respectfully submitted,

John L. Bennett
Family Director

State Vocations Director

"Make your family grow"....
"The International Year of the Family"....
"The seminary begins in the family", Pope John Paul II

I don't know just where this is taking us, nor do I know exactly how to get there.

It is estimated that 65 percent of our school children come from single parent or broken homes, of the remaining percentage, half, are maybe, good Christians of those one third are Catholics, of those Catholics half are young men, maybe 2 percent, of those 2 percent, 1 tenth of 1 percent of the whole may consider the seminary.

If you went to a graduation of 5 or 6 hundred at a large Catholic school you would have to attend about 6 graduations before you would find one seminarian.

Whittling, if you took a 2 foot piece of wood and sat down and whittled a tooth pick, and if you had to do this 6 times to get a good tooth pick, you would certainly take good care of it.

That's the way we must take care of our seminarians, we must encourage, support, nurture and pray for our young seminarians.

I believe that in Mississippi, this year we will or may ordain 5 seminarians, a very good year. How many priests do we know now that are past the retirement age, but are still active? How many will reach retirement age before we ordain more priests?

I pray that this doesn't happen, but how many will, for some reason may not be able to serve?

Brothers we must continue to strive for and encourage family growth and we must support and encourage our young people, in my family, in your family, and in our family the Knights of Columbus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Report Of The State Historian

At the end of this fraternal year will be the time for us to update our state's history. This is to be done in compliance with resolution passed at one of our prior conventions.

I ask all of you Grand Knights to see that your information is submitted to me. Some of the Grand Knights here today will not be reelected. Please do not lose interest in your council for I am relying on you to see that the new Grand Knight completes this project.

I will briefly go over the guidelines that you have.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING INFORMATION FOR THE UPDATE ON THE HISTORY OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.

This information is to be submitted to the State Historian, Robert Fratesi, PSD, P. O. Box 5372, Greenville, Ms, 38704.

Write up a brief history of your council for the period 1984 to 1994. Information prior to 1984 has been printed in history volumes prior to that date. If your council was not started in 1984, begin your write up from the date of you organizing your council, list your charter members.

The write up for the history of your council will be written as you have submitted. We will not edit it for you.

List your councils name, number and location. List any achievements, awards both in your community and in the state. List also individuals that have received any awards. If you have any members that have served as a state officer list them, their office and dates.

List all outstanding dates or milestones about your council.

Give information pertaining to membership, activities with dates. If you can list information in a chronological order. Remember to be brief about each item.

Do not list all council officers for each of these years, Grand Knights only.

Do not be long and drawn out on each subject. Do not list all activities under each category for each of the years, this is a history not a Grand Knights Report.

If a report is not received from your council, the history will be printed with your councils name, number and location and under will be written NO REPORT SUBMITTED.

If there is any change to articles in prior history books, go ahead and submit it with the proper notations.

At this time we are undecided about pictures.

Also needed is reports from various committees, chairmen and directors

State Conventions, where held, dates and total membership at that time.

Squires program, status and progress. Report on new circles.

Past State Deputies Assn., update on status.

Sporting events, Dates, winners, second and third place, host council. (Bowling, team events only with scores).

Bishop R. O. Gerow memorial fund, Status and update.

Mental Retardation program, Status and update.

Insurance program, status both on state and supreme level.

Fourth Degree, Report over the last 10 years.

Pro Life, Status and achievements.

Newsletter, Status now and before.

Quincentennial, Report on happenings.

On the above categories also list changes that have been made in the last 10 years.

Awards, List all winners or any other type of recipients and dates on all awards. If they are no longer given list them for the years given.

Past State Deputies Award, Fred L. Westbrook Knight of the Year, Honor Council, Distinguished Council, Best Council, Vocations, Best District Deputy, Bishop R. O. Gerow memorial fund award, Newsletter, Top Gun, Mental Retardation Program Award, Yearbook, Family of the year, Supreme Awards, International Awards.

Fraternally,

Robert Fratesi, PSD
State Historian

Resolutions

The Resolution Committee of the 90th Annual Meeting of the Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus would like to submit the following report to the delegates of this convention for their consideration.

The Resolution Committee met on Friday, April 22 1994, from 9:00 p.m. to 10:10 p.m. to address and make recommendations on the following eighteen (18) Resolutions.

The Resolution Committee consisted of:

Rodney J. Sandoz, PSD
Stanley M. Swentkowski, Immediate PSD
William A. Seal, Jr., PGK of Council #4898, Long Beach
Joseph Miller, PGK of Council #848, Jackson
Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate, Chairman

Respectfully Submitted,

Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate, Chairman

Resolution No. 1

Whereas,

Councils 1583 Gulfport, 4472 Pass Christian, 4898 Long Beach, 5654 Ocean Springs, 7910 Orange Grove, 9094 D'Iberville, 9409 West Biloxi, 9673 Woolmarket, 9958 Lizana, and 10499 Ocean Springs, have been such excellent hosts on the 90th Annual Convention, and

Whereas,

The officers, members, and wives have arranged to put on such an outstanding convention,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the sincere thanks of those in attendance at this convention be extended to the host councils for the superior manner in which they discharged their responsibility.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate)

Resolution No. 2

Whereas,

Brother Thomas P. Smith, Jr. has honored this State Council with his presence, and

Whereas,

Brother Thomas P. Smith, Jr. is Vice President of Agency Administration, and

Whereas,

We the delegates of the Mississippi State Council realize that Brother Smith'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 expresses its sincere thanks

and appreciation to Brother Thomas P. Smith, Jr., the Vice President of Agency Administration, and extend to him, a cordial invitation to return to our Jurisdiction whenever he may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate)

Resolution No. 3

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Thirty-First Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution adopted at the State Convention held in Tupelo, 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 1995,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council sponsor at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi State Knights of Columbus Thirty-Second Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament for its membership. Said tournament to carry the official sanction of the American Bowling Congress. The time, date, and place of the tournament will be set at the discretion of the host council, with all business for the tournament to be resolved at a meeting held during the tournament. A report will be given at the State Convention by the chairman of the bowling tournament.

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council present at no expense to itself and as provided by the bowling association, appropriate trophies to the winners of certain events conducted during the tournament.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate)

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 State Knights of Columbus Annual Softball Tournament for its membership. The tournament is to carry the official sanction of the American Softball Association. The time, date, and place of the tournament will be set at the discretion of the host council, with all business for the tournament to be resolved at a meeting held during the tournament. A report will be given at the State Convention by the chairman of the softball tournament.

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council present at no expense to itself and as provided by the softball association, appropriate trophies to the winners of certain events conducted during the tournament.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro Jr., State Advocate)

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 the Catholic Orphans in the Mississippi Jurisdiction.

Be It Further Resolved,

That checks in this amount be presented to Bishop Houck and Bishop Howze for use at their discretion.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate)

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 in Gulfport also does work for the deaf citizens of the entire State of Mississippi,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That 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: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate)

Resolution No. 7

Whereas,

Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws states that the expenses of the State Officers, State Membership Director, State Program Director, and 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 meeting,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That pursuant to Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State Council By-Law, per diem expenses 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 at a rate of \$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 Further Resolved,

That Past State Deputies in attendance are to be paid per diem at a rate \$45.00 per day for two days and no allowance for mileage.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate)

Resolution No. 8

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus has a long standing and consistent position on the sanctity of human life, and

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus recognized the sanctity of life in all its forms from conception to natural death, and

Whereas,

Assisted suicide is contrary to this long standing position,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the Monsignor John J. Burns Council of the Knights of Columbus of the Mississippi Jurisdiction does hereby condemn the act or action of anyone or any group who assists in or promotes the termination of human life through the act of assisted suicide.

Be It Further Resolved,

That this local Council resolution be presented to the State Council for presentation the the delegates in convention and voted upon for presentation to the Supreme Council, if approved.

Recommendation: The Resolution Committee recommends that this resolution be amended and requests that this convention body

consider the amended resolution to read:

(Replacing the last section of the Resolution with the following section)

Be It Further Resolved,

That this local Council resolution be presented to the State Council for presentation to the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus with the recommendation that the Supreme Council go on record as condemning the act or action of anyone or any group who assists in or promotes the termination of human life through the act of assisted suicide.

Action: John Maloney (Council #802) made a motion to accept the amended resolution; seconded by Leroy Hebert (Council #1244). The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Msgr. John J. Burns Council No. 802, Meridian)

Resolution No. 9

Whereas,

The duties of the Financial Secretary are as dictated by the Supreme Council, Knights of Columbus, Constitution BY-Laws of our order, and a direct appointee of the Supreme Knight and holds the office of Financial Secretary at the pleasure of the Supreme Knight, and

Whereas,

The duties of the Council Financial Secretary are dictated by the Supreme Council and that of the Mississippi State Council is to include the Knights of Columbus Insurance Agency, and his local council this information is vital and beneficial to the Supreme Council, the Mississippi State Council and its Insurance Agency, and

Whereas,

The Financial Secretary is the main and necessary link to and for the Supreme Council, the Mississippi State Council to include the Knights of Columbus Insurance Agency, and his local council this information is vital and beneficial to the Supreme Council, the Mississippi State Council and its Insurance Agencies, and

Whereas,

The local councils of the Mississippi State Council jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus does not have the necessary funds to afford the travel expenses of the Financial Secretary to travel to all meetings and function as required by the Mississippi State Council to maintain his office status, and

Whereas,

The expense of the Financial Secretary should not be the burden of his local council nor a financial burden upon himself because of his duties to the Supreme Council, the Mississippi State Council and that of his local council,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus reimburse the Financial Secretary or his council the per diem and mileage for travel/training, that is placed on him because of his duties, that is in-place with the Mississippi State Council Constitution By-Laws for his or his council incurred expense.

Recommendation: Reject

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Bishop R.O. Gerow Council No. 1034, Natchez)

Resolution No. 10

Whereas,

In recent years the State Council has experienced difficulties in meeting its fiscal responsibilities in spite of diligent efforts to reduce expenses, and

Whereas,

Expenses have increased, but income has not correspondingly increased, and

Whereas,

If our Jurisdiction expects to continue services to our Councils consistent with good business practices, it is incumbent on us to find a solution to this fiscal problem, and

Whereas,

Article X, Section 1 of the State Constitution provides for amendments to the Constitution provides for amendments to the Constitution By-Laws,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That Article VI, Section 4 be amended to read as follows:

Per Capita Tax: The per capita tax of the Mississippi State

Council shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per member per year, payable on half (1/2) on August 1st of each year, based on membership totals of July 1 and the other one half (1/2) payable on February 1 each year based on membership totals of January 1, in accordance with Section 118, (c) and (d) of the Supreme Council By-Laws, provided however the per capita tax may be changed by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members qualified to vote at any regular meeting of the State Council.

Recommendation: The Resolution Committee recommends that this resolution be adopted as amended and requests that this convention body consider the amended resolution to read:

(Replacing the last two sections of the Resolution with the following sections)

Whereas,

Article VI, Section 4 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws provides for the Per Capita Tax of the Mississippi State Council shall be the amount per member per year approved at the last State Council meeting on which a Per Capita Tax Resolution was adopted.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That pursuant to Article VI, Section 4 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws, the per capita tax of the Mississippi State Council shall be Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per member per year, payable one half (1/2) on August 1st of each year, based on membership totals of July 1 and the other one half (1/2) payable on February 1 each year based on membership totals of January 1, in accordance with Section 118, (c) and (d) of the Supreme Council By-Laws.

Action: Reed A. Fontenot III (GK of Council #8848) made a motion to accept the amended resolution; seconded by Vic Aguzzi, Jr. (Council #5556). The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Rick Gaspard, District Deputy #4)

Resolution No. 11

Whereas,

The Permanent Deaconite is growing not only in the Mississippi

Jurisdiction but throughout other Jurisdictions of the Knights of Columbus, and

Whereas,

When a Brother Knight is ordained into the Permanent Deaconite it is a lifetime commitment, and

Whereas,

A Permanent Deaconite takes on the same basic Spiritual and Theological responsibilities as an ordained Priest, and

Whereas,

As a special mark of the respect and dignity held for their office in the Church by the Knights of Columbus, and

Whereas,

Both the State Council of Mississippi and the Supreme Council By-Laws be amended to exclude from the Per Capita Tax rolls any Brother Knight ordained into the Permanent Deaconite, and
Be It Further Resolved,

That the State Council of the Mississippi Jurisdiction submit a resolution requesting that Section 118(d) of the Supreme Charter Constitution By-Laws be amended to include members who are ordained into the Permanent Deaconite.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Ted V. Knowles, District Deputy #10)

Resolution No. 12

Whereas,

The delegates to the Mississippi State Convention are the elected representatives of the local councils in the Mississippi Jurisdiction, and

Whereas,

These delegates are asked to make important financial decisions by voting that affect both their local councils and the Mississippi State Council, and

Whereas,

These delegates need a complete report of the Mississippi State Council's financial activities for an entire year in order to make good, informed decisions, and

Whereas,

The current system of reporting for a nine month period beginning

July 1 of the previous year and ending March 31 of the current year, does not provide to the delegates any information on the financial activities of the Mississippi State Council during the months of April, May, and June, and

Whereas,

A financial report beginning on April 1 of the previous year and ending March 31 of the current year would provide a current, true, and complete report on the financial activities of the Mississippi State Council for an entire year,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the State Treasurer of the Mississippi Jurisdiction prepare and present to the delegates at the annual Mississippi State Convention, a complete yearly report of the financial activities of the Mississippi State Council for a period beginning April 1 of the previous year and ending March 31 of the current year.

Be It Further Resolved,

That the financial records of the Mississippi State Council be retained for a period of five years, and be accessible to the State Deputy, State Treasurer, and the Mississippi State Council Audit Committee.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Jesse Quinn, III, State Treasurer)

Resolution No. 13

Whereas,

The revenue for the Mississippi State Council is derived almost entirely from the per capita tax levied on the councils of the Mississippi Jurisdiction, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council should be accountable to the councils of the Mississippi Jurisdiction when spending the monies collected from per capita tax, and any other monies completed on behalf of the Mississippi State Council, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council Audit Committee currently is reviewing the records of the Mississippi State Treasurer for a nine month period, excluding the months of April, May, and June,

and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council Audit Committee review the accounts of the Mississippi State Treasurer for a period of one year beginning April 1 of the previous year and ending March 31 of the current year.

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council Audit Committee Chairman be a member who is not directly involved with the financial affairs of the Mississippi State Council, and when possible, be a degree accountant.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Jesse Quinn, III, State Treasurer)

Resolution No. 14

Whereas,

The sport of soccer has been gaining much popularity in this state, and

Whereas,

This event has become a sport where there is a great amount of family participation, and

Whereas,

The Supreme Council has advocated family participation so far as to term us as the largest Catholic Family Fraternal organization, Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council sponsor at no expense to itself, the Mississippi Annual Soccer Tournament. Said tournament to consist of youth 18 years old and younger, and that a committee be set up to establish its initial rules and particulars for this tournament.

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council present at no expense to itself and as provided by Soccer Association, appropriate trophies to the winners of certain events conducted during the tournament.

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Vicksburg Council #898 has volunteered to host this event for the first two years in aid to establishing this program.

Recommendation: Refer to the State Deputy

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by District No. 13 - Vicksburg #898, Greenville #2134,
Leland #2945, Indianola #9234)

Resolution No. 15

Whereas,
The Pregnancy Crisis Centers are in need of financial help, to
help women, children, and unborn fetuses, and
Whereas,
The Knights of Columbus is a strong supporter of the teaching and
laws of the Catholic Church,
and
Whereas,
There exists a federal against the destruction of an eagle's egg,
and
Whereas,
No such law exists for the protection of God's most perfect
creation, the fetus, and
Whereas,
Many Knights of Columbus councils sell roses for the Support of
the Roses for Life programs on Mother's Day.
Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,
That all of the Knights of Columbus councils in the State of
Mississippi be urged to join in the sale of roses on Mother's Day
as a major fund raiser for the benefit of Pro-Life programs.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Fred L. Westbrook, Sr. Council #5654, Ocean
Springs)

Resolution No. 16

Whereas,

The problem of inadequate or nonexistent housing for low income persons is of profound significance in the southeastern United States, and

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus can meaningfully address the problems of drugs, crime, cities in crisis, loss of economic strength, illegal drug use, and environmental issues, all by the elimination of Sub Standard Housing, and

Whereas,

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit ecumenical ministry which builds houses in partnership with the working poor. Each Habitat partner works 500 hours and makes a down payment of \$500-\$1000. The partner also signs a long term agreement with Habitat for Humanity, Inc., and

Whereas,

Habitat for Humanity, Inc. has 31 Habitat for Humanity affiliates and 10 groups in the process of being affiliated. Knights of Columbus members and Councils can get involved with local affiliates, help start an affiliate, or send work teams, money, and material to another affiliate,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus sponsor at no expense to itself, Habitat for Humanity. The sponsorship will be in name only. This program will be a voluntary program only.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate)

Resolution No. 17

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus is dedicated to the sanctity of life from conception to natural death, and

Whereas,

Abortion of unborn children is so common in America and the world, and

Whereas,

Forces are at work to end the lives of deformed babies, and

Whereas,

Forces are at work to end the lives of elderly persons who are "judged" to be a burden to society, and
Whereas,
This program of death is promoted by various factions throughout the world,
Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,
That the Supreme Council consider establishing a Pro-Life Directorship to promote the respect of all human life.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Msgr. Gregory Kennedy Council No. 10499, Ocean Springs)

Resolution No. 18

Whereas,
The Knights of Columbus is dedicated to preserving the life of unborn children, and
Whereas,
Many programs are supported by the Knights of Columbus to this end, and
Whereas,
There are programs honoring children and adults who are special to various programs,
Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,
That the State Council establish a "Pro-Life Poster Child" and present a program to the people of the state that will make a statement about the value of human life in the unborn children of the state. Details and funding to be established upon approval of this resolution
Be It Further Resolved,
That the Supreme Council be requested to establish this program throughout the Order.

Recommendation: Refer to the State Deputy

Action: Recommendation Accepted

(Submitted by Msgr. P.J. Carey Council No. 1605, Pascagoula)

The Third Business Session adjourned at 4:35 p.m. with the following prayer led by State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery

Before we adjourn this meeting,
let us pause for silent prayer

Lord our God,
this has been a long day,
and we now tired.
But like the apostles after a long night of fishing,
we need Your Blessing to confirm our efforts.
We lift up to Your Divine Heart the material concerns that we
have discussed today.
With Your Holy Assistance may we carry forward the work we have
agreed upon.
Touch with Your Power all that we have decided.
May the numerous concerns of this meeting advance the Kingdom,
build up the Body Christ, the Church, and give glory to You.
Bless us that we may grow daily in the image of Your Son our Lord
Jesus Christ, for we ask these blessings in the name of the same
Christ our Lord. AMEN.

The delegates prepared for the convention banquet and dance.

Sunday April 24, 1994

Pro-Life Rosary 7:30 a.m.

Convention Mass 8:00 a.m.

Bishop Joseph Howze

Celebrant

Fourth Business Session

The Fourth Business Session was opened at 10:17 a.m. By State Deputy Thomas Zettler. The following prayer was offered by state Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery.

Robert Fulgham in his book All I Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten recalls playing hide and seek as a child, he writes:

"Did you have a kid in your neighborhood who always hid so good, nobody could find him? We did. After a while we would give up looking for him and go off leaving him to rot wherever he was. Sooner or later he would show up, all mad because we didn't keep looking for him. And we would get mad back because he wasn't playing the game how it was supposed to be played. There's hiding and there's finding, we'd say. And he'd say it was hide and seek, not hide and give up."

Mr. Fulgham then tells of watching kids in his neighborhood playing the game.

"There was a kid under a pile of leaves in the yard just under my window. He had been there a long time and everybody else was found and they were about to give up on him. I considered going out to the base and telling them where was hiding. And I thought about setting the leaves on fire to drive him out. Finally, I just yelled, 'Get found kid!' and scared him so bad he probably wet his pants.

There is an adult style of hide and seek as well. A man found out last year he had terminal cancer. He was a doctor and knew about dying, and he didn't want to make his family and friends suffer through that. So he kept his secret. And died. Everybody said how brave he was to bear his suffering in silence

and not tell everybody, and so on and so forth. But privately his family and friends said how angry they were that he didn't need them, didn't trust their strength. And it hurt that he didn't say goodbye. He hid too well..."

Almighty and Gracious God,
You call to us to be found, to seek and to find one another.
To seek out and bring back the lost, scattered, and forgotten,
to joyfully offer our support, our strength, our resources to
those who cry out to us.
You call us to move beyond our fears and doubts and become fully
the holy men you created us to be.
We pray this day grant to us the gifts of your Spirit.
That we may truly become the Body of Christ you call us to be,
the one fold that knows and answers your voice.
We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. AMEN.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John P. Myers PSD, State
Master.

Bishop Joseph L. Howze, Bishop Of Biloxi, addressed the delegates
and offered his thanks for their support of the Bishop R.O. Gerow
Fund. He also invited the Knights of Columbus to the Ordination
of the two seminarians Reverend Mister Dennis Carver and Reverend
Mister Dominick Fullam. Bishop Howze also thanked the Knights
for all the good works they do during the year. Bishop William
Houck, Bishop of Jackson addressed the delegates and offered his
thanks for their support not only of the Bishop R.O. Gerow Fund
but for all the activities they do. He asked the Knights to
continue their strong support of the Pro-Life movement and to
be true evangelists.

District Master

Your Excellencies, Reverend Fathers. Worthy Supreme
Representative Tom Smith, Worthy State Deputy, Worthy State
Officers, Worthy Vice Supreme Master, Worthy Past State Deputies,
Worthy Former Masters, Sir Knights and Brothers:

My appointment to the office of District Master of Mississippi

was made by Supreme Master Darryl W. Beck in December 1993, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of District Master Norman L. Kiehm, PSD, due to health reasons. I recently received a communication from Sir Knight Kiehm and he advised that he had been given a clean bill of health by his doctors and is gaining his strength back. Please keep him in your prayers.

An exemplification was held in Gulfport on March 6 of this year and 31 new Sir Knights were added to our ranks, including one priest. The exemplification was hosted by the Bishop Gunn Assembly and was well attended. The Degree Team consisted of Sir Knights from different Assemblies on the coast, headed by Former Master Fritz Oberlies, and they put on an outstanding exemplification. The exemplification was dedicated the memory of Past Faithful Navigator Jules Warren Dorion, Sr. of Vicksburg, the father of District Deputy J. Warren Dorion, Jr. It was attended by Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott, PSD, who was guest speaker at the banquet, Former Vice Supreme Master Dave Atteberry, PSD, of Mississippi, Former Master Norman L. Kiehm, PSD, Former Master Paulino Carrubba, Former Master Fritz Oberlies, District Master Jack O'Reilly of Louisiana, State Secretary Greg Niolet, State Treasurer, Jesse Quinn, III, State Advocate Guy S. Todaro, Jr. and State Warden Roy Patterson. It was regretted that our State Deputy, Tom Zettler, was not able to be present due to a prior commitment.

Another exemplification is planned for the summer in Tupelo and we invite all Third Degree members to become Sir Knights at this time. It would be a wonderful happening if all Third Degree Knights became Fourth Degree Sir Knights.

I am grateful for being selected as Master of the District and thank you for all your support.

John P. Myers, PSD

Awards/Reports Forms Chairman Report

State Deputy Tom Zettler appointed me Awards/Reports Forms Chairman for the 1993-1994 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 break down of each report and the due dates.

1. Form 185 (Report of Council Officers) was due August 1, 1993. This report is important to Supreme and State. Supreme needs it to send information to the Grand Knight 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, 1993 and February 15, 1994. Some councils are late sending in this report.

3. Form 365 (Service Program Personal Report) was due September 1, 1993. 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 Fraternay Activity Report) was due January 31, 1994. According to Supreme, we had one council that did not file this report, however they have the council number wrong (04666) or this council is in another state. (This has been corrected.)

Some of our councils did not file these reports. Grand Knights it is still possible for you to file these reports with Supreme before the end of this fraternal year.

Respectfully Submitted,

DENNIS "DOC" LADNIER, PSD
Awards/Reports Chairman

Report of the Liaison Officer to the Ladies Auxiliary

Your Excellency Bishop Howze, Reverend Father Slattery, Worthy State Deputy, State Officers and Brother Knights; as the Liaison Officer to the Ladies Auxiliary, it is my position to keep communications between ourselves and the Ladies Auxiliary. However, as indicated in a letter I received from Ann Mink, the State President of the Ladies Auxiliary, I have apparently been lax in my duties. This letter is addressed to the members of the State Council and I feel that I am compelled to read it to you.

Dear Knights,

As I reflect over the past year, I would like to thank Chris Carrubba for serving as my Liaison to the Knights. During the past year we have lost one Auxiliary, Hattiesburg, and gained one Auxiliary, Vicksburg. We have 11 (eleven) Auxiliaries consisting of 230 members. All of our Auxiliaries have been active and productive. As I'm sure you will agree, many people have been served by our works of charity both in the community and the church.

In November all the Auxiliaries held a fund raiser for the Burn Center in Greenville with a total of over \$1900.00. The Ladies approved \$150.00 donations to each Diocese for the Priest Education Fund. approximately \$375. 00 will be donated to the McCawley Home in Vicksburg from our Raffle Fund.

A memorial Scholarship has been established for a graduating senior. Resolution #10 reads as follows:

Whereas it is the express desire, by vote, of the Mississippi State Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus, to support Higher Education on a yearly basis, be it resolved that a yearly scholarship be established. Said Scholarship shall be named "John and Mary Cabibi Memorial Scholarship of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary. " The following provisions and restrictions shall apply.

- 1) Give one scholarship per year, to be announced at the summer meeting.

2) Amount: Discussed and set yearly by the Board,
Minimum \$250.00.

3) Committee to select recipient shall be; President,
Immediated Past President, Northern Roving Regent,
Southern Roving Regent, and the Chaplain.

4) Committee will mail applications to each local
auxiliary by April 1 with instructions to return to
committee by June 15.

5) Recipient shall not be receiving any other
scholarship.

6) Recipient shall be:

1st Choice: K. C. State Auxiliary member's child
2nd Choice: K. C. State Auxiliary member's grandchild
3rd Choice: Knight's child

passed December 1993 Meridian, MS.

For the next 3 (three) years \$250.00 will be placed
in this fund from our treasury. Any memorial or other
donations will welcomed.

This being election year, our current slate of
officers were reelected. It is the consensus of our
membership that we do not have the overall support of
the Knights. The Councils that have hard working and
contributing Auxiliaries will most likely agree that
these Ladies are an asset to their organization. We
feel if these councils could encourage their fellow
Knights to assist in forming more Auxiliaries that are
State Affiliated, Our Knights of Columbus "Family"
could continue to grow and serve the Church, the Youth
and Community. As the State Ladies President many
members expressed their concerns and views to me
over the confusion of the Ladies Luncheon on Saturday.
We hope this can be avoided in the future, by better
communication between the State Council and the
State Auxiliary. We are always available for any
input into convention planning or any other Family
oriented activities. It's our desire to continue the
tradition that was begun when our State Auxiliary was

formed, to be a helping hand to our Knights. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage those councils that do not have an Auxiliary or State affiliated Auxiliary to contact any State Officer or District Regent. Names and addresses are found in your State Directory.

Respectfully

Ann Mink
State President

I must agree with Ann that the Ladies Auxiliary is an asset to any council and I also encourage you to assist your ladies. My apologies to both the ladies and you, Brother Knights if this lack of communication has caused you any grief.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Carrubba
Liaison to the Ladies Auxiliary

Priest Education Fund Report

Since the last convention I have sent three letters to the councils, assemblies and auxiliaries. The reports we have received are mixed; some are excellent and some not so good.

The advent of the casinos on the Coast is still the cause of great concern to the councils that depend on bingo as their main source of revenue. Some council contributions fell to ten percent of the previous year. The good news is that these councils have resumed bingo and hope to increase donations.

The Fourth Degree Assemblies have contributed a total of \$18,203, the Ladies Auxiliaries have donated a total of \$2,950. The helping hands of the Fourth Degree and the Auxiliary are greatly appreciated.

The Greenville/Leland Assembly received the award for the largest donation of \$7,800. The assembly also received the award for the largest donation per member with \$100 each.

For this fraternal year the contributions for the Jackson Diocese are \$26,760, and for the Biloxi Diocese \$20,844. The total for the state of \$47,604 and a grand total of \$783,551.

In a letter to the membership last year we asked the members to consider personal contributions and pledges for five years from each member for one, two, five or more dollars over and above council donations to increase the burse for the Priest Education Fund. In a membership of five thousand four hundred thirteen, only nine members answered the cry for help. From the nine that accepted the challenge, I received donations ranging from ten dollars to one hundred dollars for a total of Three Hundred Sixty One Dollars. We will continue this call for personal donations and pray that more members will accept the challenge as did the nine.

We were saddened this year by the death of Sir Knight Jerry Santucci, co-chairman for the Jackson Diocese. Our prayers for him and his family. Sir Knight Santucci, with Sir Knight John Szymonik, co-chairman for the Biloxi Diocese, were a great help with their personal contacts.

You are all to be congratulated; each council, each assembly, each auxiliary for your outstanding efforts. This committee thanks you for your co-operation.

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 ensure the future of the Church in America. The Priest Education Fund should be the primary objective of every council.

Respectfully subimtted,

Paulino J. Carrubba
 State Chairman
 Bishop R. O. Gerow Memorial Fund

Bishop R.O. Gerow Memorial Fund

COUNCIL	LOCATION	1953-1992	1993	1994	TOTAL
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	P CARRUBBA			\$25	\$25
	M. LOTT			\$25	\$25
	W ENTRIKEN			\$30	\$30
	J P MYERS			\$101	\$101
	L NAHLEN			\$25	\$25
	E MISTLER			\$100	\$100
	B DILORENZO			\$10	\$10
	W ABAOIE			\$20	\$20
	C MINK			\$25	\$25
802	1251 ASSEM	\$1,200		\$250	\$1,450
802	MERIDIAN	\$28,123	\$750	\$2,000	\$30,873
802	AUXILIARY	\$1,500	\$200	\$200	\$1,900
848	0554 ASSEM	\$600	\$100	\$140	\$840
848	JACKSON	\$22,955	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$24,955
898	0558 ASSEM	\$1,400	\$250	\$250	\$1,900
898	VICKSBURG	\$41,900	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$46,900
1034	NATCHEZ	\$32,993	\$1,034	\$900	\$34,927
1034	ASSY NATCH	\$25	\$50	\$50	\$125
1244	BILOXI	\$28,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$30,000
1244	Auxiliary		\$100		\$100
1522	BAY ST LOUI	\$21,949	\$1,465	\$1,500	\$24,914
1583	0556 ASSEM	\$1,709			\$1,709
1583	AUXILIARY	\$1,175	\$150	\$200	\$1,525
1583	GULFPORT	\$50,859	\$2,000	\$3,400	\$56,259
1605	0561 ASSEM	\$300			\$300
1605	AUXILIARY	\$1,100	\$100	\$100	\$1,300
1605	PASCAGOULA	\$126,845	\$3,500	\$350	\$130,695
1908	HATTIESBURG	\$10,305	\$220	\$250	\$10,775
2134	0555 ASSEM	\$35,510	\$6,100	\$7,800	\$49,410
2134	AUXILIARY	\$2,300	\$300	\$300	\$2,900
2134	GREENVILLE	\$42,294	\$3,000	\$2,700	\$47,994
2180	0563 ASSEM	\$1,100	\$100	\$100	\$1,300

2180	LAUREL	\$15,930	\$100	\$100	\$16,030
2180	SQUIRES	\$100		\$254	\$354
2945	LELAND	\$17,212	\$1,000	\$500	\$18,712
2969	CLARKSDALE	\$23,370	\$2,000		\$25,370
3328	YAZOO CITY				\$0
4472	AUXILIARY	\$125	\$200	\$200	\$525
4472	PASS CHRIST	\$3,674	\$600	\$300	\$4,574
4898	LONG BEACH	\$26,101	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$36,101
4898	1719 ASSEMB	\$2,200	\$1,500		\$3,700
4898	AUXILIARY	\$100	\$100		\$200
5267	GREENWOOD	\$13,968	\$1,178	\$1,361	\$16,507
5556	1503 ASSEM	\$150	\$100	\$100	\$350
5556	CLEVELAND	\$9,650	\$500	\$500	\$10,150
5654	2059 ASSEMB	\$400	\$125	\$138	\$663
5654	OCEAN SPRIN	\$18,855	\$1,000	\$1,100	\$20,955
6555	SHELBY	\$5,140	\$440	\$440	\$6,020
6592	BASSFIELD	\$1,550		\$100	\$1,650
6765	STARKVILLE	\$675			\$675
6872	PICAYUNE	\$16,015	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$21,015
6872	2227 ASSEM	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$750
7087	KILN	\$3,810	\$100	\$250	\$4,160
7120	SOUTHAVEN	\$1,763	\$500	\$500	\$2,763
7120	2195 ASSEM	\$420	\$100	\$200	\$720
7211	LUMBERTON	\$29,539	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$33,139
7854	CLINTON	\$2,435	\$300	\$400	\$3,135
7910	ORANGE GROV	\$810	\$125	\$150	\$1085
7915	BROOKHAVEN	\$4,850	\$1,200	\$1,300	\$7,350
7974	COLUMBUS	\$1,175			\$1,175
8038	PEARL	\$1,796	\$133		\$1,929
8054	McCOMB	\$5,060	\$500	\$500	\$6,060
8285	ST THERESE	\$700	\$100	\$334	\$1,134
8760	HOLLY SPRG	\$1,350	\$300	\$300	\$1,950
8848	TUPELO	\$1,500	\$300	\$300	\$2,100
8848	2131 ASSY	\$100	\$100		\$200
8912	CORINTH	\$700	\$100		\$800
9094	N. BILOXI	\$636	\$450	\$400	\$1,486
9124	GAUTIER	\$2,383	\$100	\$116	\$2,599
9234	INDIANOLA	\$1,400	\$550	\$400	\$2,350
9409	WEST BILOXI	\$2,950	\$827	\$150	\$3,927
9534	MADISON				\$0
9537	WEST POINT				\$0
9673	WOOLMARKET	\$200	\$100	\$50	\$350
9958	2284 ASSM		\$100	\$100	\$200
9958	AUXILIARY		\$100		\$100
9958	LIZANA	\$400	\$250	\$250	\$900
10216	AUXILIARY			\$50	\$50

10216	2269 ASSEM			\$100	\$100
10216	BRANDON	\$125	\$300	\$600	\$1,025
10443	GRENADA		\$100	\$110	\$210
10499	EAST O. 8.	\$250	\$220	\$250	\$720
99999	STATE AUX.	\$700	\$200	\$150	\$1,050
99999	STATE AUX.	\$700	\$200	\$150	\$1,050
99999	ST. MARY'S	\$237			\$237
99999	ST. MARY'S	\$237			\$237
999999	MISC	\$11,547			\$11,547
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Total:		\$687,380	\$49,167	\$47,604	\$783,551

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

There was no new business.

Election of State Officers

State Deputy Thomas Zettler called for the election of State Officers. State Deputy Zettler then handed the gavel to Immediate Past State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski. Past State Deputy Swentkowski asked for nominations for the office of State Deputy. Thomas Zettler was nominated by John Maloney for the 1994-1995 year. There being no other nominations Thomas Zettler was elected by acclamation.

After election for State Deputy, Past State Deputy Swentkowski returned the gavel to State Deputy Zettler. The elections were then run by State Deputy Zettler.

State Secretary: Greg Niolet was nominated by Brother Warren Reso for the 1994-1995 Year. There being no other nominations Greg Niolet was elected by acclamation.

State Treasurer: Jesse Quinn III was nominated by Brother

Kevin Vanderlip for the 1994-1995 year. There being no other nominations Jesse Quinn III was elected by acclamation.

State Advocate: Guy Todaro Jr. was nominated by Brother Don Cox for the 1994-1995 Year. There being no other nominations Guy Todaro Jr. was elected by acclamation.

State Warden: Roy Patterson was nominated by Brother David Longo for the 1994-1995 year. There being no other nominations Roy Patterson was elected by acclamation.

Nominations and Election of Delegates to the Supreme Convention in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Joe Bonfiglio was nominated by Wade Ditcharo; Keith Merritt was nominated by Reed Fontenot III; John P. Myers was nominated by Victor Aguzzi Jr.; Joe Goellner was nominated by Ferdie Callegan; John Maloney was nominated by Mouise Richard; Joe Bonfiglio received 71 votes; Keith Merritt received 32 Votes; John P. Myers received 33 Votes; Joe Goellner received 17 Votes; John Maloney received 31 votes. As a result, Joe Bonfiglio will be the third delegate and John P. Myers will be the fourth delegate.

Nomination and Election of insurance alternates to the Supreme Convention in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. John Maloney was nominated by Mouise Richard; Joe Goellner was nominated by Ferdie Callegan. John Maloney received 49 votes; Joe Goellner received 43 Votes; as a result John Maloney will be the first insurance alternate and Joe Goellner will be the second insurance alternate.

Nomination And Election Of Associate Alternate to the Supreme Convention in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. Keith Merritt was nominated by Reed Fontenot III. Jim Yaggi was nominated by Victor Aguzzi Jr. Keith Merritt received 57 votes; Jim Yaggi received 35 Votes. As a result Keith Merritt will be the first associate alternate and Jim Yaggi will be the second associate alternate.

There being no further business a motion was made by Brother John P. Myers, PSD to adjourn the 1994 state convention. The motion was seconded by Brother Pickens Noble. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned with the following prayer by State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery.

Lord of day and night, of beginnings and endings, as we prepare

to conclude this meeting, we once again lift up our hearts to You the divine source of All life.

We thank you for the gifts that have been present within this act of service to the community.

For the gifts of fellowship and understanding, of mutual respect and shared vision, we are grateful.

For the gifts of perseverance and of insight into the common concerns we share, for these and all other graces we are thankful.

As you have blessed our coming together, now bless our departure and journeys homeward.

May your blessing be upon us in the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

**ADDENDUM
TO
90TH ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION MINUTES**

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

The following motion was made by Brother Richard Benton of Council 6765 Starkville.

Motion: All expenditures, except mileage, included on expense reports turned into the State Council for reimbursement, should be supported by itemized invoices, attached to the report.

Seconded by Kevin Vanderlip Council 5267 Greenwood.

Motion passed.

STATE PROGRAM DIRECTORS REPORT

I have been given an opportunity which very few men have been given, that is to help encourage and influence the programs of the Knights of Columbus in the State of Mississippi. Our State Deputy, Tom Zettler, gave me his ideas on what he wanted the State Program to be. With his help a new format was drawn up to encourage all Councils to participate in the State Awards Program. The guidelines were simplified for easy understanding and point values were modified so all councils were equally considered according to the report they submitted. The program was first introduced at the installation of State Officers in July 1993 and at the School of Columbianism. The program was further modified at the Mid-Year Meeting in December. I was invited and attended two District Meetings where I explained the program.

Competition has been keen and the benefits of these programs have been felt by the recipients. Awards help to encourage participation by members who would otherwise get burnt out.

HONOR COUNCILS

Council No.	Council Name	Council City
898	Vicksburg Council	Vicksburg
1522	Pere LeDuc	Bay St. Louis
1583	Bishop Gunn	Gulfport
1605	Msgr. P.J. Carey	Pascagoula
2945	C.G. Shapley	Leland
4898	St. Vincent DePaul	Long Beach
5556	Fr. Rotondo	Cleveland
5654	Fred. L. Westbrook, Sr.	Ocean Springs
6872	Oscar J. Gelpi	Picayune
7910	Fr. Harry Wade	Orange Grove
8038	St. Jude Centennial	Pearl
8054	Charles R. Brill	McComb
10499	Msgr. Gregory Kennedy	Ocean Springs

DISTINGUISHED COUNCILS

Council No.	Council Name	Council City
802	Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian
1908	Bishop Fahey	Hattiesburg
4472	Msgr. Leech	Pass Christian
5267	Msgr. John F. Clerico	Greenwood
7915	Brookhaven	Brookhaven
8285	St. Therese	Jackson
8848	Fr. Robert Reitmeier	Tupelo
10443	Fr. Clifford Meador	Grenada

BEST VOCATION PROJECT AWARDS

Jackson Diocese: Council #802 - Meridian
Biloxi Diocese: Council #1244 - Biloxi

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	10443 Fr. Clifford Meador	Grenada
Medium	5267 Msgr. John F. Clerico	Greenwood
Large	8285 St. Therese	Jackson
X-Large	802 Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian

TOP GUN COUNCILS

Msgr. John J. Burns - Council #802 - Meridian
Bishop Fahey - Council #1908 - Hattiesburg
Msgr. Leech - Council #4472 - Pass Christian
St. Therese - Council #8285 - Jackson
St. Francis of Assisi - Council #9543 - Madison
Fr. Clifford Meador - Council #10443 - Grenada
St. Johns - Council #10901 - Oxford

The following awards were presented Saturday, 23 April 1994:

BEST NEWS LETTER AWARDS

Council #1583 - Gulfport
Council #1605 - Pascagoula
Council #2969 - Clarksdale
Council #8848 - Tupelo

TOP PROPOSER OF YEAR AWARD

Tom Chady, Vicksburg

SUPREME COUNCIL SERVICE ACTIVITY AWARDS

Best Church Activity: Council #802 - Meridian
Best Council Activity: Council #802 - Meridian
Best Community Activity: Council #8038 - Pearl
Best Family Activity: Council #8848 - Tupelo
Best Youth Activity: Council #2180 - Laurel

PRIEST EDUCATION AWARDS

Highest Council Donation: Assembly 0555 - Greenville
Highest Donation Per Member: Assembly 0555 - Greenville

BEST COUNCIL AWARDS

Best Small Council: Council #4472 - Pass Christian
Best Medium Council: Council #5267 - Greenwood
Best Large Council: Council #8285 - Jackson
Best X-Large Council: Council #802 - Meridian

FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Keith Merritt Family

FRED L. WESTBROOK, KNIGHT OF THE YEAR AWARD

John Paul Bernardi

DISTRICT DEPUTY AWARD

Warren Doiron, Jr. - Vicksburg

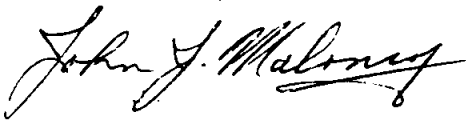
PAST STATE DEPUTIES AWARD

St. Therese Council #8285 - Jackson

In closing I would like to thank all the Grand Knights and Program Directors who did the paperwork for all the awards. Through their efforts recognition has been given to the best the State of Mississippi can offer. To those councils who did not participate in the awards program this year, I ask that they compete next year to insure they do not short change their membership.

I have been greatly honored to serve as State Program Director this past year and look forward to serve the State Council where ever I am needed in the future.

Respectfully Submitted



John J. Maloney
State Program Director

RESOLUTION NO. 13

Whereas,

The revenue for the Mississippi State Council is derived almost entirely from the per capita tax levied on the councils of the Mississippi Jurisdiction, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council should be accountable to the councils of the Mississippi Jurisdiction when spending the monies collected from per capita tax, and any other monies collected on behalf of the Mississippi State Council, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council Audit Committee currently is reviewing the records of the Mississippi State Treasurer for a nine month period, excluding the months of April, May, and June, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council Audit Chairman should be a professional who is not directly involved with the financial affairs of the Mississippi State Council,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council Audit Committee review the accounts of the Mississippi State Treasurer for a period of one year beginning April 1 of the previous year and ending March 31 of the current year.

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council Audit Committee Chairman be a member who is not directly involved with the financial affairs of the Mississippi State Council, and when possible, be a degree accountant.

Recommendation:

Actions:

(Submitted by Jesse Quinn, III, State Treasurer)

APRIL 24, 1994
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