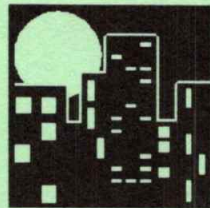




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Proceedings of the
91st Annual State Convention
Mississippi Jurisdiction
Knights of Columbus



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The 91st Annual State Convention of the Mississippi State Council, Knights of Columbus was convened at 6:10 p.m. with State Deputy Thomas Zettler calling the meeting to order.

Convention co-chairman Louis Zylka welcomed the delegates to the 91st Annual Convention in Jackson.

Paula Bunny, Sales Manager for the Harvey Hotel downtown Jackson (Holiday Inn), welcomed and thanked the Knights of Columbus for choosing the Harvey Hotel.

Convention co-chairman Zylka then introduced Mrs. Pat Fordice wife of Governor Kirk Fordice, who welcomed the Knights and their ladies and guests to the capital city Jackson. State Secretary Greg Niolet gave the response on behalf of the State Council to Mrs. Fordice.

State Deputy Thomas Zettler officially called the convention to order at 6:25 p.m.. Father Kevin Slattery, State Chaplain, offered the opening prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by John P. Myers, PSD, Fourth Degree Master.

State Deputy Zettler recognized the following members of the clergy in attendance: Most Reverend Joseph L. Howze, Bishop of Biloxi; Reverend Kevin Slattery, Oxford, State Chaplain; Reverend Sam Messina, Belzoni; Reverend Mike Sucharski, Bay St. Louis.

A motion was made by Brother Bill Gatzman of Council 2180 Laurel to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 1994 State Convention. Motion was seconded by Brother Joseph Ladner of Council #4472 Pass Christian. Motion was passed unanimously.

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 29, 1995, 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
Ted Applewhite #6592; Richard Warren #1034; Joe Tannehill #9234;
Leon J. Shapley #2945; Dick Benton #6765; Thomas Wedig #6872.
2. MILEAGE AND PER DIEM: CHAIRMAN JESSE QUINN, III, STATE
TREASURER
Mouise Richards #802; John Bernardi #2134; Charles Boyer #7211;
Daniel Lechner #9409; Peter Sukanek #10901.
3. RESOLUTIONS: CHAIRMAN GUY TODARO, STATE ADVOCATE
Stan Swentkowski, PSD; Jesse Quinn, Jr., PSD; Tim Riecke #9543;
Bill Gatzman #2180.
4. STATE K OF C AUDIT: CHAIRMAN BRAD BURDEN
Julius Broussard #1244; David DiLorenzo #4898; James Farris
#7120; William Kordik #8848; Larry Tabor #9094; Mike Liberto
#10443.
5. ELECTION TELLERS: CHAIRMAN, ROBER FRATESI, PSD
Dennis E. Ladnier, PSD; Wiley Price, PSD.
6. GOOD OF THE ORDER: CHAIRMAN, ROY PATTERSON STATE WARDEN
Tom Chady #898; Theo Morel #1522; Warren Reso #4472; Emil Vial
#6872; Wade Ditchard #7915; George Roberts #10499.
7. CEREMONIALS: CHAIRMAN WILEY PRICE, PSD
Ivan Lambert #848; Terry Hurst #1583; Joseph Goellner #1908;
Kevin Vanderlip #5267; Lew D'Andrea #5654; Felix Osuji #8760.
8. PUBLIC RELATIONS: CHAIRMAN, SCOTT DIBBS
Jerry Smith, Editor, MAGNOLIA KNIGHT; Walter Langston #1605;
Elbert Cuevas #7087; John Ward #7910; David Longo #8285; Scott
Higginbotham #9673; Frank Whitehead #10216.
9. MEMBERSHIP: CHAIRMAN, LARRY CAMPBELL, STATE MEMBERSHIP DIR
Tom Thornton #898; Paul Borgognoi #2969; Arnold Fuller #7910;
Reed Fontenot #8848; Dick Henry #9543; Anthony Moran #9958.
10. STATE CONVENTION: CHAIRMAN, MARVIN LOTT, PSD
Lou Zylka, DD4; Fred Roquemore #7854; James Leatherwood #8912;
Dennis Drister, 10216; Bruce Pabon # 10499; William Reynolds
#10901.
11. PROLIFE: CHAIRMEN, ANTOINE OTTO AND JIM GLOVER, DD7
Carl Brochard #5654; Joe Bramucchi #6555; Charles Harrington
#6592; Ralph Corrado #7974; Rick Gaspard #8285; Michael Lawless
#9124.
12. SERVICE PROGRAM: CHAIRMAN, JOHN MALONEY, STATE PROGRAM
DIRECTOR
 - A. CHURCH: JOHN SZYMONIK
Darren Cowart #1034; Bill Koeppe #2134; Nick Serio #5267; Wilson
John #7211; Daniel Butler #9409.
 - B. COMMUNITY: JIM YAGGI
Curtis Harrison #1244; Sterling Peters #7854; Tom Timmons #9094;
Harvill Richardson #9673; Buddy Honeycutt # 10443.

C. COUNCIL: JOHN MALONEY
Michael Craft #1583; Richard Finimore #2969; Joseph Cuevas #7087;
Joseph Haftek #7974; Dinnis Dunn #8054.

D. FAMILY LIFE: JOHN BENNETT
Andrew Mitchell #1522; Ben DiLorenzo #4898; Arthur Hermsdorfer
#7120; Aaron Achord #7915; John Marks #9124.

E. YOUTH: CHARLES UNDERWOOD
Albert Rocconi, Jr. #5556; Carey Cox #6765; Wilson John #7211;
William Garner #8054; Francis Moran #9958.

State Deputy Zettler introduced Supreme Treasurer Robert Wade and
his lovely wife Joan.

State Deputy Zettler asked that any Grand Knights, 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 a prayer offered by
State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery.

The delegates adjourned for the Friday night awards ceremony at
6:56 p.m.

Grand Knight Reports

Monsignor John J. Burns Council 802
Meridian, Mississippi
Scott Dibbs

The council officers were duly installed by District Deputy Paul
Carpenter at the installation ceremony held on July 16, 1994.

The following officers for 1994-1995 fraternal year were
installed. They are as follows:

Chaplain	Father James Brett
Grand Knight	Scott Dibbs
Deputy Grand Knight	Mouise Richards
Chancellor	John Bennett
Financial Secretary	Tom Zettler
Recorder	John Harwell
Warden	Pete Vining
Treasurer	Craig Melancon
Advocate	Mike Griffith
Inside Guard	Joe Dicks
Outside Guard	David Smith
Trustee	Dr. Luis Borrell
Trustee	Wiley Price, PSD
Trustee	Joe Bailey
Program Director	Mouise Richards
Church Director	Paul Carpenter
Community Director.....	Jim Roberts/Jack Schons

Youth Director Frank Polizzi
 Family Director Scott Dibbs
 Council Director Mike Griffith
 Membership Director John Harwell
 Bingo Chairman John Maloney

Mouise Richards served as the General Program Director and supervised the following activities:

- CHURCH ACTIVITIES: Paul Carpenter, Director
1. On-going corporate communion, St. Patricks, St. Joseph, and Holy Rosary Mission.
 2. Ongoing corporate communion breakfast.
 3. Support for Father Brett on his vacation to Ireland.
 4. Council Members prepared and served breakfast for First Communicants and their families
 5. Assisted with the painting of the St. Patrick Church Parish Center.
 6. Council members led the Rosary before all masses during the months of May and October.
 7. Council furnished donuts and coffee each Sunday after 8:00 Mass.
 8. Tithe to St. Patrick, St. Joseph, and Holy Rosary Mission.
 9. Support for Seminarian John Bohn.
 10. Held Religious recognition night and donated \$50.00 to 14 priests and religious persons in Meridian Area.
 11. Continued support for all night 1st Friday Vigil.
 12. Purchase of new vestments for the St. Patrick Parish.
 13. Purchased tables for the St. Patrick's Parish center.
 14. Donated \$1000.00 dollars to the Dwelling Place.
 15. Purchased bibles for the confirmation class.

- COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Jim Roberts/Jack Schons
1. Ongoing visitation to the East Mississippi Hospital.
 2. Participated in the 1994 Tootsie Roll Drive.
 3. Donation to the Flood Victims in Georgia.
 4. Aid to a distressed family to cover their hospital bills.
 5. Assisted with the building for a house under the Habitat for Humanity program.
 6. Awarded the MSGR. John J. Burns Award for outstanding Community Service to Judy Seifker.
 7. Rang bells to collect money for the Salvation Army at Christmas.
 8. Provided gifts to patients at East Mississippi Hospital.
 9. Council supported the Philippine Chorus.
 10. Ongoing support for HWY 19 clean-up effort, by adopting 2 mile stretch.
 11. Sponsored a boy and girl at Boys/Girls State.

- COUNCIL DIRECTOR: Mike Griffith, Director
1. Dr. Luis Borrell gave talk on Socially Transmitted Diseases.
 2. Knights of Columbus Insurance Night was held for council members and their families.
 3. Sponsored softball team in church league. Council members made up majority of team.
 4. Held Socials for members and wives.

5. Held Easter Egg Hunt for the parish.
6. Performed 4 First Degrees.
7. Held a 2nd and 3rd Degree exemplification.
8. Council has an ongoing Knight of the Month, and Knight of the Quarter Program.
9. Elected a Knight of the Year.
10. Provided fruit baskets to members and families who are hospitalized.
11. Council provided seven masses for deceased members and five masses for members of their families.
12. A social is provided for members every 2nd Tuesday of the month.
13. A recognition banquet was held to honor those members who contributed to the council's success.
14. Council sent delegates and delegation to state convention in Biloxi.
15. Council members assisted at Wednesday night bingo for our charity function.
16. Council held rummage sale for the Dwelling Place.
17. Assisted a Brother Knight after his accident.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Frank Pollizi, Director

1. Sponsored a local Free Throw Contest.
2. Participated in Mississippi State Free Throw Contest.
3. Assisted Boy Scout Troop with donations to the troops, as well as the purchase of tents.
4. Donated money to St. Patrick's school for the use of a 5th grade school trip.
5. Held a creative contraptions contest at St. Patrick's school.
6. Gave toys to the children in the local hospitals on Christmas Eve.
7. Held Graduation breakfast for graduates and their families.
8. Gave tuition assistance to needy students of St. Patrick's School.
9. Held various contests for the children at St. Patrick's School.
10. Gave \$1000 dollars to the Boy Scouts for the COPA Course renovation.
11. Donated \$1400 dollars for Boy Scouts for trip to Philmont, NM.
12. Assisted with purchase of teepee for the Boy Scouts.
13. Gave \$1000 to the Close Up Program.

FAMILY DIRECTOR: Scott Dibbs

1. Participated in the family of the month program.
2. Elected a family of the year.
3. Held a Christmas party for the children of the council. Presents were distributed.
4. Council members participated in pro-life rally in Meridian.
5. Council member played Santa Claus for children at St. Patrick's School party.
6. Family Breakfast after corporate communion.
7. Council members were treated to a Valentine Day Social. Casino Night was held.
8. Columbus Day Social.
9. Deceased members mass and social.
10. Labor Day and Memorial Day Picnics

While these are not all of the activities that were conducted by our council, they are representative cross section. Council 802 continues to be a dynamic organization of concerned, dedicated Catholic men who are willing to assist in any possible way that enhances our church, community, nation or fellow man. It is an honor to serve as the Grand Knight of this organization which we consider to be the best in the State of Mississippi.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott E. Dibbs
Grand Knight, Council 802

**John T. Savage Council 848
Jackson, Mississippi
Ivan Lambert**

This year has been a very productive year for our council. Starting off with the Tootsie Roll drive; quickly moved into a membership drive, followed by the election of the slate of officers for the coming year.

July was a busy month, members assisted the Fourth Degree with a shrimp dinner, rendered financial aid to the flood relief in Georgia and assisted the widow and family of a deceased member.

In August we laid ground work for our activities.

In September we had "A meet the Knight's" Houseboat party.

In October we had a "thank you" steak dinner for all of our supporters and friends of our council over the years. This took place at St. Catherine's Village Lodge.

November is the time when we hold our memorial services for deceased members.

With December came our Christmas party in which we invited the clergy to attend as our guest and to thank them for their work. Meanwhile our membership program was beginning to pay off. We were also busy selling our ads for our basketball program.

In January our basketball program takes up the first week, with games at St. Richards and at St. Mary's gym.

In February we changed our meeting date to the 14 at the request of the Bishop. So the council held a sweetheart dinner for the ladies, a "thank you" for all of their support. Took new members to the district first degree.

Appointed an ad hoc committee to study and review how much financial assistance the council could render to the renovation

of St. Peter's. Sold tickets for our spaghetti dinner. The spaghetti dinner on March 5 was to raise funds for the priest education.

With the coming of April we hold a covered dish supper for our organizational meeting for those who are going to assist us with our Tootsie Roll drive, with guest speakers from the R.E.A.C.H. and Area 8 Special Olympic and Hudspeth. Part of the council role in the convention will be to assist our Ladies Auxiliary in hosting the State Deputy Hospitality room on Thursday night.

**Vicksburg Council 898
Vicksburg, Mississippi
Tom Chady**

Grand Knight	Tom Chady
Deputy Grand Knight	Tom Thornton
Warden	Greg Rottman
Chancellor	Jerry Boland
Advocate	Tony Dardeau
Lecturer	Mike Lee
Treasurer	George Roesch
Recorder	Allen Derivaux
Financial Secretary	Chad Sonnek
Trustee	Al McDevitt
Trustee	Bernie Theobald
Trustee	Bobby Evans
Chaplain	Fr. Robert Dore
Assistant Chaplain	Jimmy Speyerer
Inside Guard	Vince Chiarito
Outside Guard	Joe Montalbano

The new officers wasted little time in getting acclimated to their task at hand, since the annual July 4th family picnic is just a few days away. Friday night pool & burgers were in full gear and growing every week. Some of the year's highlights are noted below.

MEMBERSHIP

The council conducted First Degrees in August, September, November, February, March and April. We initiated 39 new members and reinstated six more. G.K. Chady was the state's top V.I.P. proposer for the second straight year. The council also hosted a district Second and Third Degree in March.

CHURCH

The council hosted the Jackson diocese priest convocation in October. Around 45 Knights were present to help make the event a success for the 85 priests and Bishop Houck who enjoyed the festivities. The council continued its monthly breakfast for Saltillo and delivered to Mexico 30 portable confessionals it help construct. Council members also went to Belzoni and Anguilla to help organize their CYO trip to Saltillo and

accompanied individuals from these two communities to Mexico. Efforts in these delta communities eventually led to the formation of a KC roundtable in Belzoni.

COMMUNITY

Council 898 continued its strong community involvement with Meals on Wheels, support of Run Thru History, and handling concessions for the Miss Vicksburg pageant and Miss Mississippi pageants. We hosted several bingos to help the parochial school band and provided and cooked chickens for the school's annual Play-a-Day-in-May-Away fundraiser. The council also held its annual Tootsie-Roll drive to aid local mentally retarded children. The council hosted their annual Harvest Dinner uniting three Catholic parishes in a social environment and collecting food, money and clothes for the Good Shepherd Center.

COUNCIL

Council 898 celebrated its 90th year of service in May honoring 34 members having 50 or more years of service. In addition, fourteen of sixteen living past Grand Knights were in attendance as were the state deputy, other state officers and dozens of charter member descendants. We initiated quarterly awards nights, celebrated Columbus Day and St. Patrick's Day; re-started monthly adult supper nights, held our annual memorial service for deceased members; began weekly rosary; held fifth Tuesday socials, and qualified ourselves as a Top Gun council and Star council for first time in many years. Each month Knight of the Month was named, and Grand Knight Chady was honored as Knight of the Year. The council also had a record attendance and number of workers at this year's annual spaghetti dinner to benefit seminarians.

FAMILY LIFE

Under the guidance and direction of chairman Jerry Boland and Chaplain Fr. Robert Dore, the council began designing, constructing and erecting a 20-ft-high Tomb of the Unborn. Funding and construction was entirely done by council members. The council also held its annual July 4th and Labor Day picnics and witnessed the continued growth in the Friday night pool & burgers. Council 898 continued its "Family of the Month" program and recognized the Tom Thornton Family as "Family of the Year".

YOUTH

Council 898 continued its sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop 7 for the 62nd year. Other youth activities included a Children's Christmas party, Easter Egg hunt (record 75 children in attendance), pool parties and annual free throw contest; continued its sponsorship of the Dixie Youth baseball teams and use of its grounds for CYO volleyball, soccer and softball practices were also part of the Fraternal year youth efforts. The council also added some family covered dishes throughout the year.

**Bishop R.O. Gerow Council 1034
Natchez, Mississippi
Richard Warren**

In July the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy District Deputy, Richard Penick. Dinner followed and was enjoyed by members, wives, and invited guests.

The following officers for 1994-1995 fraternal year are:

Chaplain	Father Al Camp
Grand Knight	Richard Warren
Deputy Grand Knight	Joe Garrity
Chancellor	Audley Case
Financial Secretary	George Souderes
Recorder	Patrick Doherty
Treasurer	Conrad Anderson
Warden	Henry Foggo, III
Advocate	Walter Brown
Inside Guard	Charles Bergin
Outside Guard	Harrell Cothren
Trustee	William Geoghegan, Jr.
Trustee	Michael Tatum
Trustee	Darren Cowart
Program Director	Joe Garrity
Church Director	Audley Case
Community Director	William Geoghegan, Jr.
Council Director	Donnie Holloway
Family Director	Darren Cowart
Youth Director	Walter Brown
Membership Director	Henry Foggo III
Lecturer	Donnie Holloway

The 1994-95 fraternal year was a busy one for the Bishop R.O. Gerow Council 1034, under the supervision of our very dedicated Program Director, Deputy Grand Knight Joe Garrity. 1995 marks the 90th Anniversary of our Council which received it's charter on June 18, 1905 and we are planning a celebration to mark this occasion. We have begun a strong membership campaign to increase our membership and hope to have an initiation in the near future. We have also formed a building committee to make necessary and much needed repairs to our Council hall. On a sadder note, we were forced to drop 15 members because of non-payment of dues but hope to recoup this loss with our membership drive and become a stronger, more active Council in the coming year.

The following is a list of the activities of our Council during the past year:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Made Council available for Church activities
2. Sponsored halloween party and provided meal for vacation Bible School
3. Brothers attended Retreat at Manressa
4. Set up and co-sponsored reception for Father Henry Shelton.
5. Held fund raiser for Priest's Education Fund and raised \$1200.00

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Council supports local shelter for abused women and families.
2. Brother heads Mayor's War on Drugs.
3. Conducted annual Tootsie Roll Drive
4. Brothers visit sick and elderly.
5. Council supports Pleasant Acre Day School with projects.
6. Brother donated a truck in the name of our council to Guardian shelter for abused women.
7. Set up and ran concessions at local auction as fund raiser for Catholic Charities and donated proceeds.
8. Make donation to Habitat for Humanity
9. Provided and cooked food for Habitat for Humanity workers

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Brother set up and served as chairman for annual blood drive.
2. Co-sponsored church softball team.
3. Council promotes saying rosary by members.
4. Held membership drive.
5. Council sponsors bowling team.
6. Held semi-annual spaghetti benefit as fund raiser for Council.
7. Held awards night and named Knight of the Year, Max Voss.
8. Council participates in flag raising during month long spring pageant.
9. Held lenten fish fry two times on Fridays.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

1. Held Memorial service for deceased members.
2. Provide meeting place for Right to Life organization and Brother serves as officer.
3. Send resolutions to families of deceased Brothers and family members.
4. Announce at meetings the names of Brothers or members of their family who are sick or in need of assistance.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Assist and support CYO group.
2. Make Council hall available for youth retreats.
3. Sponsored local free throw contest and took winners to state contest.
4. Held Christmas for children.
5. Sponsor Boy Scout Troop 158.
6. Set up and conduct work nights for Cathedral School football field.

In closing, I would like to say that it has been an honor to serve as Grand Knight for such a fine Council as the Bishop R.O. Gerow Council 1034. I have learned a lot in my first year and hope I have served my Council and the Knights of Columbus as good as the Grand Knights who served before me. I would like to thank all my officers and fellow members for their support during the past year and I look forward to serving my Council in the coming

years. Also many thanks to the State officers for their assistance. We as a council are proud of our 90 years and are looking forward to the next 90 years with much anticipation of greater things to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Warren
Grand Knight

**Biloxi Council 1244
Biloxi, Mississippi
Julius D. Broussard**

Chaplains	Rev. Tony Arguelles Rev. Frank Scott
Deputy Grand Knight	Julius D. Broussard
Chancellor	Robert Boney
Advocate	Frank Tarrant
Recorder	Allan Konyn
Warden	Earl Robertson
Financial Secretary	Harry Steinwinder
Treasurer	Charles Harrison
Lecturer	Stearn Pluff
Inside Guard	John Bellman
Outside Guard	Edward Rugg
Trustee	Curtis Harrison
Trustee	Dennis Ladnier
Trustee	Gerald Rose

Deputy Grand Knight Billy Davis served as General Program Director with Activity Directors under him. He supervised and carried out the following activities:

CHURCH - BILLY DAVIS, DIRECTOR

1. Marian Hour of Prayer at the council home.
2. Had three Masses said for each deceased member.
3. Made donations to the Priest Education Fund.
4. St. Louis Parish held two separate draw downs at Council Home.
5. Bishop Howze has the use of the council home for meetings and parties (Christmas, etc.).
6. The Chaplain leads the membership in Prayer and meditation.
7. Presented Father Tony Arguelles with a \$100.00 anniversary certificate.
8. Presented Father Dominic Fullam with \$550.00 at his ordination.
9. Held a raffle (Prize: a weekend in Panama City, Florida for four, plus spending money), \$1,150.00 was raised for the Priest Education Fund.
10. Held Clergy Appreciation Night.
11. Sponsored Holy Family Hour of Prayer.
12. Donations of \$50.00 each were made to six local churches for

- Christmas baskets for needy.
13. Hams were given to local priests for Christmas.
 14. Supported local Catholic schools with donations and loans of equipment.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES - GIRAURD DARNELL

1. Held annual Tootsie Roll drive.
2. Shrimp Bowl changed to pre-season three-game, six-team agenda.
3. Presented \$2,000.00 to Biloxi Doll and Toy Fund.
4. Adopt-A-School Program-Nativity Elementary and Mercy Cross High Schools.
5. Donated \$265.00 each to nine Parishes for St Vincent de Paul Society.
6. Held Swing For Life Golf Tournament. Proceeds, \$800.00, went to Morning Star Pregnancy Center.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES - JOHN BELLMAN

1. Held eight 1st Degree Initiations - Refreshments served.
2. Several meals were served after meetings - compliments of council.
3. Meals served once a month before meetings - fund raisers, \$2.00 per plate.
4. Membership Christmas party.
5. Hosted State Bowling Tournament - steak dinner served at Council home.
6. Quarterly Banquets for Knight of Quarter and other awards.
7. Conducted membership drive - Christ the King Mission.
8. Held three socials at different casinos for members and guests.
9. Held several fish fries for fund raisers.
10. Held a banquet in appreciation of our ladies. A rose was presented to each lady present.
11. Sponsor Knight of Columbus softball team.
12. Conduct membership drive - Nativity BVM.
13. Mr. Biloxi Knight of Columbus presentation.
14. Held a draw down for fund raiser.
15. Held a 52 week Bonanza for Fund raiser.
16. Publish monthly newsletter.

FAMILY - EARL ROBERTSON AND JOHN BELLMAN

1. Sponsored memorial service for deceased members.
2. Held Family of the Month awards.
3. Held annual family picnic.
4. Annual family Halloween party.
5. Support the Doll and Toy Fund.
6. Sponsor Youths to Boys and Girls State.
7. Sponsor religious Awards for Boy and Girl Scouts.

YOUTH - RICK CHAVARRIA AND GREG ELEUTERIUS

1. Support and sponsor Boy Scout Troop #213 for sixty-three years.
2. Assist and donate to local CYO.
3. Conduct childrens Christmas and Halloween parties and Easter Egg Hunt.
4. Conduct free throw contest.
5. Support the Doll and Toy Fund

6. Sponsor Youths to Boys and Girls State.
7. Sponsor Religious Awards for Boy and Girl Scouts.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julius D. Broussard, Grand Knight
Biloxi Council #1244

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

Bishop Gunn Council 1583
Gulfport, Mississippi
Andrew T. Hurst

Council 1583 has always been a very active council, and this year was no exception. We accomplished many great things, but we had some very sad moments also.

Our Thanksgiving Dinner was a great success. Everyone in our local church community was invited. We served over 600 people plus the Gulfport Police and Fire Departments.

A Rosary Garden, inspired by past Grand Knight Brother Putnam, was dedicated on December 8 reflecting months of hard work by so many fellow knights. The stones which make up the rosary are being purchased in memory of families and deceased Brothers. Also included in the Garden is a handmade set of The Stations of the Cross.

In January we lost one of our dearest Brothers, a man that lived the way a true Knight should. To me Brother Todaro was like a right hand, a guide, an advisor and, most of all, a friend. He will truly be missed but not forgotten.

On March 12 the council had a fund raiser for a Brother's wife who has cancer. This event was a very big success raising over \$12,000 on that day. Although the money was much needed, the overflowing of love, prayers and fellowship may have helped even more.

On March 23, we dedicated the chapel for the unborn at St. John High School - The Chapel of the Annunciation. This will give the students a place to go for a quiet moment of prayer.

The council has continued to do its standard fund raisers and to help the schools. We contributed some items to the schools that were not in their budgets: two soft ice cream machines, a popcorn

machine, a laminating machine and a building - totaling over \$17,000.

There was another council formed that was a spin off of Bishop Gunn, the St. James Council in Gulfport. We wish them success in all of their endeavors.

Now that this year is ending, I would like to thank all of the Brothers and their families who helped so much during the past twelve months. They are not just an asset to the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Church, but also to their community.

Fraternally yours,

Andrew T. Hurst
Grand Knight

**Monsignor P.J. Carey Council 1605
Pascagoula, Mississippi
Walter Langston**

On July 23, 1994, the duly elected officers of Council 1605 were installed by our worthy District Deputy, Mr. Ted Knowles. A dinner was held afterward and enjoyed by all in attendance. The following officers were installed:

Grand Knight	Walter V. Langston
Deputy Grand Knight	James Farragut
Recorder	Jerry LeBlanc
Financial secretary	B. R. Frederic
Treasurer	Mark Frederic
Chancellor	John F. Szymonik
Warden	Carl Muse
Lecturer	Donald Cox
Advocate	Fred Clark
Inside Guard	Francis O'Brien
Outside Guard	Duwane Weber
Trustee	Ted V. Knowles
Trustee	Guy Todaro
Trustee	John Zirpola

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

Program Director	James Farragut
Church Activities	John Szymonik
Community Activities	Archie Hooks
Council Activities	Jerry LeBlanc
Family Activities	Guy Todaro
Membership Director	Carl Muse

Youth Activities Earnest Falgo
Bingo Director Fred Clark

CHURCH DIRECTOR:

1. Celebrated corporate Communion at Sacred Heart, Our Lady of Victories and St. Joseph Parishes.
2. Hosted Mass for deceased members and families.

COMMUNITY DIRECTOR:

1. Conducted Tootsie Roll drive.
2. Hosted Tootsie Roll Appreciation Banquet.
3. Conducted blood drive.
4. Donated money to veterans hospital "Las Vegas Night" (4 knights participated).
5. Donated \$1000 to defray medical expenses for local cancer Patient.

COUNCIL DIRECTOR:

1. Installed newly elected officers at annual installation banquet
2. Celebrated Independence Day with annual picnic.
3. Held annual Mardi Gras Carnival Ball.
4. Held annual St. Patricks Day Dinner and Dance.
5. Honored deserving brothers with Knight of the Month, Quarter and Year.

FAMILY DIRECTOR:

1. Christmas Social
2. Honored deserving Families of the Month, Quarter and Year.

YOUTH DIRECTOR:

1. Sponsored Boy Scout Troop
2. Continued to support Monsignor Mullen Scholarship Fund
3. Held annual children's visit from Santa.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:

1. Held 1st Initiations (7) New Members.
2. Degree team traveled to Vicksburg and Meridian.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our District Deputy and the State Officers for their assistance. I would especially like to thank the officers and members of Council 1605 for their outstanding support during this fraternal year.

Respectively
Walter V. Langston
Grand Knight

**Bishop Fahey Council 1908
Hattiesburg, Mississippi
Joseph Goellner**

As we complete our Seventy-Seventh Year as a council, it is my pleasure to acknowledge those who served and summarize the activities for 1994-95 Fraternal Year.

After concluding a successful Program Year at the 1994 State Convention with a "Top Gun Award" for more than ten percent gain in membership and other awards, council members began to plan the new year with increased dedication.

Immediately after the election of officers in June, committee chairmen were appointed and a workshop was planned for the officers and chairmen. On June 25, 1994, a workshop was held to review the previous year and establish plans for the new year. We were honored with the attendance of District Deputy Paul Carpenter.

On July 16, 1995, the following officers were duly installed by District Deputy, Paul Carpenter:

Chaplain	Rev. Charles Venus
Grand Knight	Joseph B. Goellner, Sr.
Deputy Grand Knight	Phillip Graf
Chancellor	Mark DeLaHunt
Financial Secretary	Michael Bucciattini
Warden	William L. Kerley
Treasurer	Patrick Rothscadl
Recorder	Robert Eddy
Advocate	Steve Breaux
Inside Guard	William Jarrett
Outside Guard	John Windsor
Trustee 3 yrs	Michael Anderson
Trustee 2 yrs	John Lang
Trustee 1 yr	Louis Schiets

The following members served as Director, Chairmen and Assistant Chairmen of various committees:

Membership	
Director	Mark DeLaHunt
Assistant Director	Larry Bellipanni, Jr.
Program	
Director	Phillip Graf
Church Activities	
Chairman	William L. Kerley
Assistant Chairman	Robert Eddy
Community Activities	
Chairman	John Lang
Assistant Chairman	Michael Anderson
Council Activities	
Chairman	Alvin Justelien
Assistant Chairman	Michael Anderson

Youth Activities

Chairman Russ Hendley
Assistant Chairman Joey Hoda

Family Activities

Chairman Dennis Kramer
Assistant Chairman Ken Robinson

A Summary of the Program Activities are as follows:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Council sponsored Marian Hour of Prayer at St Thomas Parish for members and parishioners of all Parishes.
2. Members serve as lectors and servers at Weekday and Saturday Morning Masses each week.
3. Members serve as lectors, ushers, and eucharistic ministers at Sunday Masses.
4. Council members worked on several maintenance and repair projects as the parish maintenance committee.
5. Vocation Prayers are recited at the opening and close of each council meeting.
6. Council donated \$100.00 to Sacred Heart Vacation Bible School.
7. Council held a Ice Cream Social to Honor Clergy and welcome Deacon Mike.
8. Council contributed \$200.00 to-Priest Education Fund.
9. Council donated \$50.00 to Deacon Mike for fees and expenses in the Right to Life Golf Tournament.
10. Council sponsored a Fish Fry for St Thomas Parish on two Fridays during Lent.
11. Council committee coordinated the setup, cooking, and take down of the Sacred Heart Parish Seafood Jamboree.
12. Council committee erected and removed the booths for the Sacred Heart School Fall Festival.
13. Council provided and served beverages for the St Thomas Parish Picnic.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Council conducted Tootsie Roll Drive during May 1994.
2. Council participated in Casino Night for the Mentally Retarded at the area Civitan Camp.
3. Council donated \$ 200.00 to support of the Lamar County Life League
4. Council provided workers to assist on Habitat for Humanity Project.
5. Council sponsored a Crawfish Boil for all workers on the Tootsie Roll Drive.
6. Council urges members to visit citizens in the area Nursing Homes
7. Council donated \$50.00 to the Hattiesburg Police Department's "Shop With A Cop Program".

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Council promoted, assisted, and participated in the Annual Parish Blood Drive.
2. A council newsletter keeps members informed of council activities.
3. Parish was invited to the Mass, Installation Ceremony and

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4. Social for the Installation of Officers.
 5. Council hosted a Second and Third Degree Exemplification for all councils in the state.
 6. Five members and officers attended School of Columbianism Meeting in Jackson.
 7. Council sponsored an Adult Co-ed Softball Team in the City League.
 8. Council donated use of facility and pool to Dixie Youth Baseball teams coached by council members.
 9. Eight council members and wives attended the 1994 State Convention in Biloxi.
 10. Council Team played in State Softball Tournament and won the Sportsmanship Trophy.
 11. Council held the Second Annual Right to Life Golf Tournament.
 12. Council held an Awards Dinner and Membership Recognition Night.
 13. Council sponsored a workday to cleanup property, repair and paint council buildings.
 14. Council built a portable barbecue grill on a trailer to be used for council socials and fundraising projects.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Council Sponsored a "Back to School" Swim Party for CYO.
2. Council held local Basketball Freethrow Contest.
3. Council winners participated in State Freethrow Contest.
4. Members and wives serve as chaperones at CYO functions.
5. Council gave \$ 100.00 to CYO youth for Cancer treatment.
6. Council sponsored Boy Scout Troop with members serving on Scouting Committee and Scoutmasters.
7. Council sponsored Cub Scout Troop with members serving on the Troop Committee.
8. Council sponsored a Scout Roundup Swim Party.
9. Council held Childrens Christmas Party. Children brought gifts to be donated to needy children.
10. Council provided chaperones, snacks and beverages for a Youth Benefit Dance for needy child.
11. Donated \$ 150.00 to sponsor a boy to Boy's State.
12. Council sponsored a Rummage Sale and Donated funds to the CYO Trip to the Saltillo Mission.
13. Sponsored a water safety course for 5th and 6th grade students at Sacred Heart School.

FAMILY LIFE ACTIVITIES:

1. Council sponsored a Memorial Mass for deceased members of the council and the order.
2. Council made donation to sponsor Pro-Life advertisements in the local Newspaper.
3. Council sponsored a Family Mardi Gras Dance.
4. Council sponsored a Family Mass and Corporate Communion in Honor of National Family Week.
5. Council sponsors a monthly Family Dinner Social for members, families and guests.
6. Council participated in the Supreme Family of the Month Program.
7. Council urged council families to join with other area families in the Hattiesburg Area Pro-life Chain.

Membership has been very successful again this year. A net gain of nineteen members, seventeen new members and two former member reapplications, were added between April 1, 1994 and March 31, 1995. Two transfer applications and three reapplications for membership are pending processing by the Supreme Council. Also, five New Member applications are approved and awaiting the First Degree. One is to receive his First Degree during the State Convention.

CONCLUSION:

The success of the 1994-95 Program and Membership Years has been very rewarding. Thanks to the dedicated leadership of the Council Directors and Chairmen assisted by a inspired membership. Many plans are scheduled for the last three months of the Fraternal Year.

It has been an honor to serve as Grand Knight of Bishop Fahey Council # 1908 this year. A special thanks to all officers, chairmen, and members who worked hard to make it a successful year.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph B. Goellner, Sr.
Grand Knight

**Father Korstenbroek Council 2134
Greenville, Mississippi
John Bernardi**

Chaplain	Father Patrick Ferrell
Grand Knight	John Bernardi
Deputy Grand Knight	Phillip Wallace
Recorder	Lex Wilkerson
Financial Secretary	Robert Fratesi
Treasurer	Bill Koeppe
Warden	Sammy Santucci
Inside Guard	Peter Mandolini
Outside Guard	Jim Lenoir
Trustee	Ed Futey
Trustee	Charles Ammons
Trustee	Charles Harmon, Jr.

CHURCH PROGRAMS

1. Donated to St. Joseph Church for their Spring-Fling.
2. Donated to Father Joe Tonas on his ordination.
3. Served breakfast after masses for the parish.
4. Cooked hamburgers for newcomers of parish.
5. Erected booths for parish fair - after fair removed and placed in storage.
6. Cooked spaghetti and meatballs for parish fair.
7. Cooked hamburgers for out of town guest and priests on eve of Joe Tonas ordination.

8. Prayed for vocations during meetings.
9. Paid for night light electricity at the Catholic School

COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

1. Conducted tootsie roll drive.
2. Placed prayer cards and book markers in local schools.
3. Presented a \$500.00 scholarship to a St Joseph School graduate.
4. Presented a pen and pencil set to a boy and girl - outstanding senior at St. Joseph High School.
5. Presented 100% trophy to an athlete in football - boys and girls basketball at St. Joseph.
6. Sponsored Columbus Day program on local radio station.
7. Co-sponsored with Ladies Auxiliary a Bike-a-Thon for St. Jude Hospital.
8. Agreed to work concession stand at St. Joseph football game on homecoming night.
9. Purchased five raffle tickets - St. Joseph School.
10. Mailed a rose to each Congressman for pro life.
11. Donated \$100.00 to Right to Life.
12. Sponsored Right to Life billboards.
13. Catered to local Home Builders Association.

COUNCIL ACTIVITY

1. Sponsor Bingo every Saturday night.
2. Sponsored horse shoe tournament.
3. Held recognition night.
4. Sponsored meal and drawing for every Monday night football.
5. Sponsored memorial for recent deceased members.
6. Sponsored spaghetti dinner for Priest Education Fund.
7. Held aggravation tournament for members.
8. Held membership drive - speaker at all masses - doughnuts and coffee.
9. Participated in state bowling tournament.

FAMILY ACTIVITY

1. Held memorial service for deceased members.
2. Held 5th Wednesday social for K of C - family.
3. Held aggravation tournament for K of C - family.
4. Operate swimming pool for K of C members - family members and guest on guest day.
5. Erected 100 crosses on side of highway in memory of babies aborted.

YOUTH ACTIVITY

1. Sponsored altar boy cookout and swimming party.
2. Sponsored boy scout troop - money and manpower
3. Made donations and assisted the SADD program
4. Sponsored Christmas party for children of parish.
5. Sponsored local free throw contest
6. Purchased T-shirts for state free throw participants.
7. Sponsored easter egg hunt for children of parish.

"In Solidarity With Our Priest"

Respectfully submitted,

John Benardi
Grand Knight Council 2134

Laurel Council 2180
Laurel, Mississippi
Bill Gatzman

The Officers for the Council for the year July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1995 are as follows:

Chaplain	Fr. Ken Ramon-Landry
Grand Knight	Bill Gatzman
Deputy Grand Knight	Wally Damlouji
Chancellor	Martin Bergin
Financial Secretary	Richard Hollingsworth
Treasurer	John P. Myers
Recorder	Charlie Rawls
Warden	Walter Copeland
Inside Guard	Arthur Axton
Outside Guard	Curtis Allen
3 Year Trustee	James Yaggi
2 Year Trustee	David Hughes
1 Year Trustee	Michael Daly
Advocate	Joseph Flick

The following are the Program Chairmen for the year:

Program Director	Wally Damlouji
Church	Walter Copeland
Council	Charlie Rawls
Community	Paul Dalier
Youth	Ricky Williams
Family	Ricky Rahaim
Membership	Jerry Perkins

Our First Degree Team conducted five (5) exemplifications on the following dates: 7/17/94, 9/18/94, 10/2/94, 11/19/94 and 2/12/95.

Our business meetings were held on the 3rd Sunday of each month for the first half of the year and changed to the 1st Sunday of each month the second half of the year. The Executive Committee meets on the Tuesday before each business meeting and the Council newsletter is published monthly.

Our Council had a very active fraternal year and we turned in all reports on time. We participated in the Family of the Month and Knight of the Month programs, recognizing the hard work of our Brother Knights and their families.

Our Knight of the Year for 1995 is our Chaplain - Rev. Ken Ramon-Landry. Our Family of the Year is the Family of Dr. David

Hughes - Rosemary, David Jr., Allan, William and Ashley.

Our fraternal year would have been more successful if we could have saved several Brother Knights from leaving our ranks.

The following activities were sponsored by the Laurel Council No. 2180:

Church:

- Marian Hour of Prayer
- May Rosary after Sunday Masses
- October Rosary after Sunday Masses
- Monthly Corporate Communion on the 1st Wednesday of each month
- Men's Retreat
- Young Men's Retreat

Community

- Tootsie Roll Drive for mentally retarded
- Pot luck supper - supplies collection for Domestic Abuse Center
- Lenten Soup Supper - Baked potatoes

Youth

- Sponsors Squires Circle #3760
- St. Nick Christmas Party
- Council Free Throw Contest
- Back to School dance for youth

Family

- Canoe trips
- Laurel Life Chain
- Mass for deceased members
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Mardi Gras Party
- Respect Life Rosary - communion service

Council

- Fraternal Benefits Night
- Membership Drive
- Clean up after school Drawdown
- Council Officers Installation, Mass and Dutch Treat Supper
- Set up for RCIA program information night
- School hoe-down, set-up, clean up - cooking
- Work Saturdays - 3 days stripping classroom doors
- Super Bowl Party
- Pig Roast Awards Night
- Gumbo Fund Raiser for Priest Education Fund

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Gatzman
Grand Knight

C. G. Shapley Council 2945
Leland, Mississippi
Leon J. Shapley

On June 26, 1994 the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by our Worthy District Deputy, Warren Dorion Jr. A steak dinner followed and was enjoyed by members and their wives. The installation took place in the church after Mass and the steak dinner was in the K.C. Hall.

The following officers were installed:

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

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	Jerry W. Santucci
Council Activities	Mike P. Columbus, Sr.
Family Activities	Lando Fratesi
Youth Activities	Anthony P. Santucci
Membership Director	Mike P. Columbus, Sr.
Membership Director	*Edward L. Lubbers appointed in Jan.

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

Membership:

We have initiated 1 new members 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
Transfers to Council	1	Members
Transfers from Council	0	Members
Withdrawn in good standing	0	Members

Deaths in Council

0 Members

As of April 1, 1995, we have a total of 69 members in our council, 65 active and 4 inactive members.

Church Activities:

1. Donated \$500.00 to the Priest Education Fund, (proceeds from the cat-fish fry)
2. Purchased a \$100.00 raffle ticket for the annual parish bazaar.
3. Brother Knights led the congregation in the praying of the rosary after Mass every Saturday and Sunday during the months of May and October.
4. Had Mass offered for deceased parish members.
5. Provided liturgy team, which includes: Lector, Commentator, Ushers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Gift Bearers, for Sunday Mass every 1st Sunday of the month.
6. Provided church with the weekly church bulletins.
7. Sponsored a large billboard "Keep Christ in Christmas" on HWY 82 between Greenville and Leland.
8. Sponsored a large billboard "Peace be to You" Easter billboard on HWY 82 between Greenville and Leland.
9. Sponsored "Keep Christ in Christmas" radio spots on local radio station, in Greenville.
10. Made donation of \$100.00 to local pastor, who was celebrating his 25th anniversary of the priesthood.
11. Made donation of \$100.00 to a former parish member, who was ordained into the priesthood
12. Gave a gift of appreciation to our parish secretary, gave her a K.C. ballpoint pen and a 2 year planner.
13. Sponsored the Presentation of the Lives of the Saints and those who were Beatified, during the season of Lent.

Community Activities:

1. Participated in the state-wide Tootsie Roll Drive to raise funds for the mentally retarded. We raised approximately \$2,000.00.
2. Aired the Columbus Day message from the Supreme Knight on local radio station, WBAQ, in Greenville.
3. Volunteered the use of our council hall to the community in the event of a disaster.
4. Allowed civic organizations to use the council hall free of charge.
5. Rented council hall to persons having parties for a small fee.
6. Took poinsettia plants to members of our parish who were in the nursing homes at Christmas time.
7. Sponsored a large anti-abortion billboard, which was put up on HWY 82 East between Greenville and Leland. (2 Times)
8. Sponsored along with the Greenville K.C.'s and the Greenville Right To Life, 31 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:

1. 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.
2. Conducted an insurance program featuring Jerry Woods, our area agent, followed by a social.
3. Sold hamburgers and Pepsi Cola's at the annual Leland Arts & Crafts Festival.
4. Sold several football pools and raffles
5. Sponsored delegates to the state K.C. convention.
6. Held a drawing for a cash prize at each meeting to encourage attendance at meetings.
7. Maintained an active telephone committee to enhance participation in council activities.
8. Participated in the state K.C. bowling tournament.
9. 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.
10. Sent members to School of Columbianism.
11. Sent members to the district meetings.
12. Sent members to a district membership meeting
13. Gave wedding gift to 1 of our council members that got married, during the year.
14. Gave rosary rings and sacred badges to the members that led the congregation in the praying of the rosaries, in May and in October.
15. Showed films, during the good of our order at some of our council's regular business meetings.

Youth Activities:

1. Held honorary dinner for the graduating Catholic high school seniors of our parish.
2. Presented bibles to our graduating seniors. (3)
3. Presented the C.G. Shapely Sportsmanship Award to a high school senior, Mark Johnson.
4. Sponsored annual Easter egg hunt, for the young children of our parish that were in the 3rd grade and under.
5. Held a local basketball freethrow contest.
6. Presented "Altar Servers Award" certificates to 1 high school seniors who served as altar boys until they graduated from high school.
7. Maintained a personal representative on the district Drug-Free School Advisory Committee. (Our council has a seat because of our work with drugs.)
8. Sponsored a Santa Claus program for the young children of the parish.

Family Life:

1. Held memorial services for deceased members.
2. Sponsored a right-to-life booth at the annual parish bazaar.
3. Held a social for members and their wives at our installation of officers.
4. Held a Columbus Day social for members and wives.
5. Choose a "Family of the Quarter" 4 times and a "Family of the Year."
6. Held a Christmas party and social for members and wives.
7. Sent get-well cards, anniversary cards and new parents cards

- to members.
8. Placed anniversary announcements of members on the local radio station.
 9. Gave a "Scriptural Rosary Cassette" to each of the families that are chosen as our families of the quarter, as a promotion of saying the rosary.

Conclusion:

It has been an honor and pleasure to serve as the Grand Knight of C.G. Shapely 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,

Leon J. Shapely
Grand Knight

**Monsignor McKenna Council 2969
Clarksdale, Mississippi
Paul Borgognoni**

This is my second term as Grand Knight of Msgr. McKenna Council #2969.

Our most serious problem facing us during the 1994-1995 year was the failure to balance our budget during the 1993-1994 year. After cutting back on all unnecessary expenses, our expenses still exceeded our income. After careful examination of all possible ways to increase our income to balance our budget, the only solution we could come up with, was to restructure our Bingo and Bar concessions. This was done and we have shown a profit for the past seven months. This not only helps us to remain a strong Knights of Columbus Council, but also to step up our support of our parish school and our charitable endeavors.

We continued our officers and trustees meetings with open doors to any Knight who wanted to attend as observers. Our house committee (advisory committee), was no longer needed so it was dissolved.

To help attendance at Knights of Columbus meetings, our food committee provided us with a meal and social after the meetings.

Our program chairman was very active in promoting Free Throw tournament, Easter Egg Hunt, Christmas Packages for the prisoners at the Mississippi State Prison. We had an excellent monthly Newsletter that covered Knights of Columbus news, Church activities, and Church organizations. We sponsored delegates to Boys and Girls State. We also donated to many charitable

organizations.

I humbly submit this report as Grand Knight.

Paul Borgognoni
Grand Knight Council 2969

**Monsignor Leech Council 4472
Pass Christian, Mississippi
Warren A. Reso**

Grand Knight	Warren A. Reso
Deputy Grand Knight	Emmett McKeough
Financial Secretary	Joseph L. Ladner
Treasurer	Thomas Anthony
Recorder	Gail Tribble
Program Director	Greg Niolet
Youth Programs	Terry McKeough
Lector	
Warden	Revernal Ladner
Church Director	Ed Menard

Activities of the past fraternal year were as follows:

- Sponsored Girls Youth basket ball.
- Gave two Scholarships to two of St. Paul Catholic School 6th graders to attend St. Stanislaus and Our Lady Academy.
- Gave a Mardi Gras party for the Retarded children on St. Paul parade day and served them lunches.
- Gave \$500 Dollars to the Priest Education Fund.
- Honored the children making their First Communion and their families with a reception after Mass.
- Co-sponsored the Luau on the Lawn for St. Paul Catholic School.
- Sponsored a booth at the Christmas in the Pass Celebration.
- Sponsored a blood drive for the Red Cross.
- Performed a First Degree Exemplification for the Picayune Council.

This year was a very lean year for our Council. A decline in attendance at our bingo games caused us to discontinued Bingo in August, 1994. At that time Bingo was our only means of support. Many thanks go out to Brothers Tom Anthony, Greg Niolet, Lessie Ladner, Revernal Ladner, and Larry Yarborough for their many years of support with bingo.

The Ladies Auxiliary was a big help running our concession stand and pitching in as needed.

Since then we have sponsored a halloween dance with a costume contest, which was a huge success and many are looking forward to it in 1995.

We sold Seafood lunches and dinners on Fridays during lent. This

was successful with the help of Lessie Ladner, our Chief cook and his dedicated staff of Brother Knights Emmett McKeough, Ed Menard, Terry McKeough, Tom Anthony, Larry Yarborough and ladies of the auxiliary, Peggy Ladner, Veronica Ladner, Marie McKeough, Mary Niolet and Marilyn Reso.

During the following year we will continue to recruit new members and continue in the work as in the past to support St. Paul Catholic Church and School and their priest and staff.

Respectfully submitted,

Warren A. Reso
Grand Knight

**St. Vincent de Paul Council 4898
Long Beach, Mississippi
Ben DiLorenzo**

On July 23, 1994 the duly elected officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy, Richard Hoda at a dinner for the Brother Knights and wives held at the council home.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain	Fr. Louie Lohan
Grand Knight	Ben DiLorenzo
Deputy Grand Knight	Bill Hincks
Chancellor	Norman Rheame
Recorder	Walter Abadie
Financial Secretary	Rodney Sandoz
Treasurer	Norman McDonald
Lecturer	Frank Castiglia
Advocate	Pete Carrubba
Warden	Leonard Nahlen
Inside Guard	Paulino Carrubba
Inside Guard	Pat Hamel
Trustee	David DiLorenzo
Trustee	Bill Seal
Trustee	Chris Carrubba

A summary of the programs for, this fraternal year is as follows:

CHURCH ACTIIVITIES:

1. Provide, manpower to keep up the grounds around the church.
2. Donations to the church at Christmas and Thanksgiving for food baskets.
3. Provide financial support for CCD program
4. Manned Bingo at the church Bazaar.
5. Provided salad luncheon for bible study group.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

1. Support KC softball team in local church league.
2. Hold quarterly dinners to honor, Knight of the Quarter
3. Annual crawfish boil for members and wives who participate in Tootsie Roll Drive.
4. Hold annual Christmas, party for members and guest.
5. Sponsor KC bowling team in local league.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1. Support local retardation center with Tootsie Roll Drive.
2. Support Morning Star Pregnancy Center.
3. Members are encouraged to bring canned goods for local food pantry
4. Support girls softball team.
5. Financially support local carnival association.
6. Provide facilities, for carnival association on request.

FAMILY LIFE ACTIVITIES

1. Sponsor mass for deceased members.
2. Provides scholarship to local high school senior.
3. Provide savings bonds for a boy and girl from St. Thomas.
4. Hold annual family picnic for members and families.
5. Provide the use of council home to Ladies Auxilary for annual Christmas and Easter party for the children.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

1. Support St. Thomas CYO throughout the year with donations, as well as members serving as advisors.
2. Support Parish mission trip to Saltillo with food, clothing, and manpower, as well as financially.

It has been a pleasure serving as Grand Knight this year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the officers and chairmen that served the year for all of their hard work. I would also like thank the members for their support of me as Grand Knight.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ben J. DiLorenzo Grand Knight

**Monsignor John F. Clerrico Council 5267
Greenwood, Mississippi
Kevin Vanderlip**

On August 3, 1994 the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy, Jim Glover, during a social/dinner for Brother Knights and Wives and Guest at the Council home.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain	Monsignor Thad Harkins
Grand Knight	Kevin Vanderlip
Deputy Grand Knight	Brad Burden
Chancellor	Harvey Caldwell
Recorder	Bobby Vandevender
Financial Secretary	Nick Joseph Jr.
Treasurer	Brian Cooper
Advocate	Ewing Henson
Warden	Jerry Bell
Inside Guard	Mike Stanford
Outside Guard	Ronald Ola
Trustee	Orlando Fratesi
Trustee	Jack Diette
Trustee	Nick Serio
Lecturer	Jesse J. Quinn Jr.
Program Director	Brad Burden
Church Director	Bobby Vandevender
Community Director	Thad Slaton
Council Director	Jesse Quinn Jr.
Family Director	Laughlin Quigley
Youth Director	Nick Serio
Membership Director	Jesse Quinn III
Tootsie Roll Director	Patrick Quinn

Church Activity Projects Performed

1. Donated to Priest Education Fund.
2. Christmas dinner honoring the clergy at restaurant.
3. Stripped and waxed floors of parish center.
4. On going. Participated in the maintenance of church property and grounds.

Community Activity Projects Performed

1. Tootsie Roll Drive. Council held road blocks to raise money for mentally retarded.
2. Brother Knights visit sick and elderly at the hospital and nursing homes, weekly.
3. Installed decking on Habitat for Humanity Home.
4. On going. Worked in local food pantry help distribute food to needy.

Council Activity Projects Performed

1. Membership drive. Conducted church drive for new members with Knights speaking at each mass.
2. Fraternal Benefits Information Night. Brother Larry Campbell addressed Knights and their families about the benefits of Knights of Columbus Insurance.
3. Performed 1st degree at Columbus Council.
4. Conducted a number of 2nd and 3rd degrees.

Family Life Activity Projects Performed

1. Conducted quarterly Knights of Columbus family corporate communions.
2. Attended pro-life rally at state capital in Jackson.
3. Sponsored and organized a "funeral" for aborted babies.
4. Promoted pro-life by speaking at each mass and distributing roses and feet.

Youth Activity Projects Performed

1. Sponsored local free throw contest.
2. Took altar servers to Jackson for baseball game and Rapids on the Reservoir.
3. Donated \$150.00 to special education class for trip to Jackson zoo.
4. Assisted CYO in painting of Sexton's house on church grounds, fed CYO workers lunch.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who helped with these and all other projects throughout the year.

Your Brother In Christ,
Kevin Vanderlip

Father Rotundo Council 5556
Cleveland, Mississippi
Ben T. Bailey

On July 27, 1994, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy Jim Glover at a social/dinner for Brother Knights and their wives at the council home.

The following officers were installed:

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

The following members served as committee chairmen:

Program Director	Doug Cocilova
Church Director	Ronnie Aguzzi
Community Director	Michael Aguzzi
Council Director	Vic Aguzzi, Jr.
Youth Director	Gary Gainspoletti
Family Director	Jerry Borgognoni
Membership Director	Johnny Capocaccia

A summary of the program activities follows:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Held mass for the vocations
2. Made donation to the Priest's Education Fund.
3. Sent cash donation to the Parish priest at Christmas.
4. Sponsored "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard.
5. Brother Knights assembled and removed the Parish outdoor Nativity scene.
6. Knights helped with the Bolivar County parishes "Celebration of 100 yrs of Catholicism".
7. Distributed Vocation prayer cards at mass.
8. Brother knights are encouraged and do serve in many capacities of church activities such as: members of the pastoral council, finance committee, ushers, lectors, eucharistic ministers, choir, CYO sponsors, teachers, etc.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Raised money for the mental retardation program, receiving matching funds.
2. Promoted Columbus Day with message on local radio.
3. Made and delivered Christmas packages to Parchman Prison inmates.
4. Helped the Northwest Miss. Kids Foundation raise money in the Cleveland area through sales of raffle tickets.
5. Made donation to the Cleveland High School Booster Club.
6. Donated and cooked hamburgers for the youth from our community churches after they collected canned foods for "Helping Hands".

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Held a Blood Drive in Oct.'94 at our Council home.
2. Held a 2nd Blood Drive in Feb.'95 at our Council home.
3. Organized and held 4 football pools as a fund-raiser.
4. Provided Hospitality Room at the State Convention.
5. Insurance Benefits Night held for knights and wives with social and dinner.
6. Sponsored Spaghetti Supper- served approximately 1500 people.
7. Monthly social and supper held for Knights on the 4th Wednesday each month.
8. Allow the use of K of C home at a discount rate to aid fund-raising groups.
9. Held installation of council officers with social & dinner for knights and families.
10. Encouraged as many Brother Knights & wives as possible to attend the State Convention.
11. Purchased ad in the State Convention Booklet.
12. Sponsored softball team to State tournament.
13. Distributed rosary cards encouraging Brother knights to say the rosary.
14. The Council 1st degree team held an initiation in honor of Pope John Paul II in July 1994 and another initiation in March 1995, honoring our Parish Priest Fr. Charles Bucciantini.
15. Selected a Knight of the Year.

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 and a Family of the Year.
3. Sent Get-well cards to hospitalized or sick Knights and their families.
4. Sponsored mass for aborted babies at our church.
5. Two brother knights made a plaque for remembrance of our deceased brothers. It is mounted in our church entrance hall.
6. Held a calcutta bocci tournament with both men's and women's doubles as a family entertainment (with a dinner) and as a fund-raiser.
7. Encourage brother knights to promote family activities within their own families.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsored local Free-Throw contest.
2. Participated in the State Free-Throw Tournament.
3. Brother Knight and spouse serve as sponsor for CYO.
3. Sponsored youth to Boy's State.
4. Sponsored youth to Girl's State.
5. Sponsored youth to local Charity Ball.
6. Helped with "breakfast recognizing the work and honors received by our Parish CYO"- held at our Council home.
7. Provided Santa Clause for the Parish youth Christmas party.
8. Encouraged brother knights to be active in church and community youth programs by serving as sponsors, coaches for sports teams, leaders for hunter safety courses, etc...

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. 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 me and all our activities. A special thanks to their wives who also helped with many of our projects and supported their husbands in so many ways.

Respectfully submitted,

Ben T. Bailey, Jr.
Grand Knight, Council #5556

**F.L. Westbrook Council 5654
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
Louis D'Andrea**

On July 6, 1994, the duly elected and appointed officers were installed by the Worthy District Deputy Ted V. Knowles followed by a social/dinner for Brother Knights and wives at the Council home.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. James J. Hannon
Grand Knight	Louis D'Andrea
Deputy Grand Knight	Buddy Cupit
Financial Secretary	Irwin Obernuefemann
Chancellor	Richard Tinsley
Recorder	Steve Howell
Treasurer	Frank Szczepanski
Advocate	Fred Howell
Warden	Bernie McGinley
Inside Guard	Chris Nielsen
Outside Guard	Ronald Brochard
Trustee 1 year	Robert Foster
Trustee 2 year	Carl Brochard
Trustee 3 year	Ken Swanson

The following members serve as committee chairmen:

Program Director	Buddy Cupit
Community	Thomas Galle
Council	Carl Brochard
Youth	Joe Niezgoda
Family	Richard Tinsley
Church Activities	F. L. Westbrook
Membership Director	Bernard McGinley

A summary of the program activities follows:

Church Activities

1. Four Brother Knights serve as RCIA team leaders
2. Three Brother Knights serve in choir
3. At least two Brother Knights serve as ushers at every Mass
4. Two Brother Knights are instructors for CCD
5. Four Knights serve on the Parish Council
6. One 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 \$1,100.00 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 each Sunday after Mass
16. Sponsored large cross "Keep Christ in Christmas"
17. Donated \$500.00 at Christmas for poor families
18. Brother Knights visit and take the Eucharist monthly to shut-ins
19. Brother Knights provided transportation for disabled persons to Sunday Mass
20. Sponsored erection of two monuments to the aborted unborn
21. Brother Knights attend monthly Mass at local nursing home
22. Brother Knights attend Christmas Mass and party at local nursing home

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
11. Sponsored drive to raise funds for research relating to a cure for lactic acidosis in children
12. Donate services to "Lord Is My Help" soup kitchen

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 monthly 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
7. Sponsored dinner/social welcoming State Deputy

Youth Activities

1. Support St. Alphonsus and St. Elizabeth Seton C.Y.O. 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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Louis D'Andrea
Grand Knight

**Shelby Council 6555
Shelby, Mississippi
Bruno Fava**

Our council is one of the smallest in the state. It is an honor for me to submit the Grand Knights report for Shelby Council 6555 on the fraternal year 1991 - 1992.

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 Capoccia
Warden	Joe Bramucchi
Chaplain	Father James Carroll
Inside Guard	Tippy Olivi
Outside Guard	Albert Malatesta
Trustee	David Malatesta
Trustee	Joseph Mengerelli

The above named duly elected officers were installed by our worthy district deputy Jim Glover in St. Mary Church July 31, 1994.

Church Activities

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

Made a donation of \$440.00 to the Priest Educational 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, 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 (2) Bocci Tournaments.

Fraternally Submitted,

Bruno Fava
Grand Knight

Father Malachy Burns Council 6592
Bassfield, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

Father John P. Egan Council 6765
Starkville, Mississippi
Carey F. Cox

The 1994-95 year has seen some changes for Council #6765 with the addition of 7 new members. Although the small size of our council continues to be an impediment to quantity and quality of service programs, we are making progress and have instituted new projects. One of the more successful of these new projects was the sponsoring of a breakfast on Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday. We continue to try to meet the needs of St. Joseph Parish with, among other things, donations to needy parishioners, and cleaning/maintenance of the church property. Though we have been successful with the recruit of new members, we are continuing to aggressively pursue potential Knights.

The following are the council officers that were duly elected and installed by District Deputy, Paul Carpenter.

Grand Knight	Carey Cox
Deputy Grand Knight	S. John O'Bringer
Financial Secretary	Jim Heitz
Treasurer	Wil White
Advocate	Richard Vasek
Recorder	Jim Sisson
Warden	James DeLouche
Chancellor	Jack Simmons
Trustee	Leonce Collins
Trustee	Richard Erickson
Trustee	Richard Benton
Chaplain	Fr. Michael O'Brien
Inside Guard	Mike Hunt
Outside Guard	David Breaux

1. CHURCH
 - a) Sponsored clean up of church grounds.
 - b) Support of altar savers.
 - c) Sponsored Alaskan Cruise to raise money for the church building fund.
2. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
 - a) Held a raffle for a Will Clark autographed baseball. Proceeds were donated to Very Special Arts.
 - b) Sponsored breakfast for Martin Luther King Jr's birthday.
3. COUNCIL ACTIVITIES
 - a) Sponsored parish Blood Drives with resulting coverage of St Joseph Parish.
 - b) Hosted 1st degree exemplification.

4. FAMILY ACTIVITIES
 - a) Held quarterly corporate communion.
 - b) Sponsored St. Joseph Parish Picnic.
 - c) Hosted several socials for the council families, including a fish fry, Christmas party and Super Bowl party.
5. YOUTH ACTIVITIES
 - a) Support, financial and human, of CYO and CSA.
 - b) Support and instruction of CCD 1st Communion Class.

Respectfully submitted,

Carey F. Cox
Grand Knight, Council #6765

Oscar J. Gelpi Council 6872
Picayune, Mississippi
Thomas A. Wedig, Jr.

This year was one of many highs and a discouraging low. The low was having to suspend 14 Brother Knights for non-payment of dues. The highs started in May right after the Convention. We put on a successful garage sale (\$1200) and then went forward with our very best ever Tootsie Roll Drive (\$5,700). We then took over all of the Ushering duties at St. Charles Church - 24 Brother Knights We put on a Social and held our Corporate Communion each month. At the request of the Pastor at St. Charles, we took over the administration of the Altar Servers and our proudest achievement, we sponsored and started a Columbian Squires Circle 4234 here in Picayune. Meanwhile, our membership and Retention Committees were hard at work and overcame the 14 suspensions by getting a total of 19 additional members to make our quota and our Insurance representative was also at work securing the 3 additions we needed there. All in all, it was a very good year for 6872.

The following council officers were duly elected and installed by District Deputy Richard Hoda:

Grand Knight	Tom Wedig
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike McNeely
Financial Secretary	Owen Otillio
Treasurer	Dave Seibert
Advocate	D. Paul Kinler
Recorder	E. Jim Lambert
Warden	Joe Bruno
Chancellor.....	Sidney Graf
Trustee	Emile Vial
Trustee	Floyd Dupre
Trustee	B. Edward Arthur
Chaplain	Fr. John Noone
Inside Guard	Tom DeCourcy
Outside Guard	Randy Authement

CHURCH ACTIVITIES			
	DATE	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION
1	2nd Wed ea. month	Rosary	Corporate rosary for deceased and sick K of C members and families
2	Oct 94	Church renovation	K of C members renovated the front door of St. Charles Church
3	weekly	Coffee & doughnuts	Provide coffee and doughnuts to all parishioners
4	19 Mar	St. Joseph's Altar	Coordinated and sponsored the annual St. Joseph's Altar in the parish
5	January	Right-to-life crosses	Erected 99 crosses in front of pro-life monument in front of St. Charles Church
6	29 Mar 95	Founder's day mass	Celebrated mass and rosary in memory of Father McGivney
7	11 May 95	Marian Hour of Prayer	Conducted Marian Hour rosary prayer at St. Charles Church
8	28 Mar 95	Maryknoll donation	Donated \$50 to the Maryknoll mission
9	5 Jan 95	Fr. Otillio donation	Donated \$200 to Father Otillio for mission in South Africa
10	27 Mar 95	St. Vincent de Paul donation	Special \$100 donation to help family pay electric bill
11	13 Mar 95	Morning offering prayers	\$100 donation to Sacred Heart League for magnetic card of morning prayer
12	4 Aug 94	Gulf Pine Catholic donation	\$100 donation
13	monthly	St. Vincent de Paul donation	\$100 monthly donation for poor
14	1 May 94	Priest education fund donation	Donated \$2500 to priest education fund for the Diocese of Biloxi
COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES			
	DATE	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION
1	23 Nov 94	Thanksgiving food	Purchased and distributed Thanksgiving food baskets to needy of Picayune

2	13,14 Jan 95	Garage Sale	Coordinated and conducted a super garage sale . Gave many goods away to the truly needy.
3	14 Aug 94	Cancer victim assistance	Weekly visit to cancer victim by worthy Knight
4	1,2 Oct 94	Bike-a-thon	Sponsored fellow Knight in "Tour for Cure-MS" bike-a-thon
5	Jul 94	Flood victims assistance	Assisted Georgia flood victims by donating \$1 00 to K of C fund
6	3 Dec 94	Police Dept. assistance	Donated K of C hall to Picayune Police department for Christmas party
7	11 Oct 94	Assistance to needy	Donated \$100 to family to turn their gas utility back on
8	7 Oct 94	K of C hall loaned	Loaned out K of C hall for parish ladies to conduct auction for Picayune Convalescent home
9	22 Dec 94	Christmas Baskets	Provided 15 Christmas food baskets to needy of Picayune
10	13,14 May 94	Tootsie roll drive	Plan and conduct Tootsie roll drive for retarded citizens of Picayune
11	daily	Visitations	Visit sick and elderly by K of C members
12	28 Mar 95	Hope Haven	Donated \$100 to help support Hope Haven home for abused children
13	9 Dec 94	Dance	Sponsored dance for county association of retarded citizens at K of C hall
14	2 Feb 95	MS. Wildlife Association donation	Donation of \$25 to MS. Wildlife Association
15	2 Mar 95	Pearl River Co.	Donated \$100 to fingerprint children and Alzheimer's patients
16	22 Mar 95	Tutwiler donation	Donated \$100 to fund the Tutwiler Newsletter
17	20 Mar 95	David Odum donation	Assist needy man to go to job in Texas \$50
18	1 Sep 94	St. Michael school donation	\$200 donation to school for difficult and retarded boys

19	28 Mar 95	Morality in Media donation	Donated \$50 to promote media morality donation
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COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

	DATE	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION
1	29 Jan 95	St. Joseph's Altar	Spaghetti dinner fund raiser for K of C sponsored St. Joseph's Altar
2	25 Sep 95	St. Joseph's Altar	Spaghetti dinner fund raiser for K of C sponsored St. Joseph's Altar
3	1st Sun. ea month	Membership drive	Conduct K of C membership drive after masses monthly
4	3rd Sat. monthly	K of C social	Sponsor and conduct family social covered dish supper
5	every Monday	K of C Bingo	Sponsor and conduct fund raising bingo
6	15 Oct 94	Health Program	K of C members and family blood and cholesterol check by local hospital
7	18 Mar 95	K of C Insurance Program	Conducted fraternal insurance benefits night conducted by insurance agent
8	30 Mar 95	1st degree	Sponsor 1st degree exemplification at council hall
9	1 Oct 94	Columbus Day Activity	Sponsored radio promotion by Supreme in commemoration of Columbus

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

	DATE	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION
1	28 Jan 95	Youth Fellowship	Sponsored youth fellowship dance
2	29 Oct 94	Youth Dance	Sponsored interdenominational youth dance for the teens of the Picayune area
3	Monthly	Convalescent Bingo	Sponsor and conduct CYO bingo at Picayune Convalescent home
4	Yearly	Boy Scouts	Sponsor Boy Scout Troop 351 by providing funds and meeting place
5	1 Mar 95	Columbian Squires	Established charter member Columbian Squires circle program in 6872 council

6	4 Mar 95	Altar server's program	Established altar server's program for St. Charles Parish with incentives
7	weekly	Maintain altar server's program	Recruit, train and schedule altar servers for weekly masses
8	every two months	Altar server's social	Sponsor altar server's social and supper six times yearly
9	10 Dec 94	Eagle scout social	Sponsor and coordination of Eagle scout social for 8 scouts and presented certificates
10	Yearly	Cub scouts charter	Donate funds for cub scout charter
11	Dec 17 95	Christmas party	Conducted Christmas party for children with Santa Claus
12	15 May 94	Honor CCD students	Sponsored breakfast and presented rosaries to all graduating seniors of St. Charles CCD classes

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

	DATE	PROJECT	DESCRIPTION
1	2 Oct 94	Life chain	K of C participated in pro-life "Life Chain" march in Picayune
2	Nov 94	Deceased Mass	Mass to be celebrated for deceased K of C members daily during November
3	monthly	Family of the month	Select family of the month within Council 6872
4	quarterly	Corporate Communion	Conduct quarterly K of C and family corporate communion. 4th degree knights dress in regalia & present gifts
5	when necessary	Purgatorial masses	Enrolled departed members and family in Sacred Heart league, Walls, MS

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas A. "Tom" Wedig, Jr.
Grand Knight

**Father A. C. Denis Council 7087
Kiln, Mississippi
Elbert Cuevas**

Chaplain	Reverend Ivan J. Weis
Grand Knight	Elbert Cuevas
Financial Secretary	Richard Hoda
Deputy Grand Knight	Ray Billeaud Jr.
Chancellor	O. J. Shiyu
Recorder	Mike Campanali
Treasurer	C. J. Malley
Advocate	Joseph Cuevas
Warden	Howard Lizana
Trustee	Charlie Hoda
Trustee	Ray Billeaud III
Trustee	Jimmy Ray Hoda

The Knights of Columbus Council 7087 has been active in all the activities of our Order. I commend the members of the Kiln Council for their dedication and service.

A Columbian Squires Circle was formed in our Council this past year.

Elbert Cuevas
Grand Knight

**Hernando De Soto Council 7120
Southaven, Mississippi
Jim Farris**

Election of officers for the year of 1994-95 was held at the June 1994 business meeting, with the following Brothers elected:

Grand Knight	Dave Garvin
Deputy Grand Knight	Jim Farris
Chancellor	Frank Miller
Financial Secretary	Dan Garrigan
Treasurer	Vic Hagman
Warden	Carl Lubbers
Recorder	Jim Brewington
Advocate	Jerry Jewett
Inside Guard	Ray Rodriguez
Outside Guard	Art Hermadorfer
3rd Year Trustee	Frank Dominioni
2nd Year Trustee	Tim Grillo
1st Year Trustee	Gordon Coker
Chaplain	Rev. Dermot Twomey, SCJ

Our year started with our Tootsie Roll drive netting a profit of over \$3600, a check was presented to Desoto Industries at their Christmas Party with a Knight as Santa Claus to entertain the youngsters.

Our council ran a raffle for the Christ the King Parish "Spring Fest", we installed new lighting in the church, provided a outing for the parish altar servers to Opryland, and tore down the storage garage at the church, and rebuilt a new one with double the floor space. We provided meals for the Youth Work Camp (Habitat) that remodeled a house for a family in Walls, Miss. We honored the Religious Sisters, Brothers and Priests in our area with a fun filled evening with good food and Entertainment, had a memorial mass for deceased members with dinner afterwards at a local restaurant, with their widows as special guests. The council also had a good year with our monthly pancake breakfasts with the profits going to the Priest education fund.

Our Grand Knight had to resign in November because his employment took him to another city, so a special election was held and Deputy Grand Knight Jim Farris was elected grand Knight and Outside Guard Art Hermadorfer was elected Deputy Grand Knight, with Outside Guard left open. Our Christmas Tree Drive was very successful, both financially and member participation. Our annual Christmas Christmas Party was held after we closed the lot on the last day of sale. We held a Pro Life Rally with the crosses of the innocent. Our January membership drive netted two new members. Our annual Valentine Dinner was a popular as ever with the Knights and their ladies enjoying a night out. Several of our members lost parents or siblings during the year, so we held a home Mass for the repose of their souls in February.

We lost a member to death during the year, we added two transfers and have had First Degree for four new members since the last convention.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Farris, Grand Knight

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 7211
Lumberton, Mississippi
No Report Submitted**

**Holy Savior Council 7854
Clinton, Mississippi
Fred Roquemore**

In our Fourteenth Program Year, the following served as Officers and Committee Chairman.

Officers

Chaplain	Rev. Noel Prendergast
Grand Knight	Fred Roquemore
Deputy Grand Knight	Charles R. Nielsen
Chancellor	Joseph L. Bergeron
Financial Secretary	Ray R. Rabert
Warden	John Manville
Treasurer	Brian Bowers
Recorder	Ferdie Callegan
Advocate	William A. Bolls
Trustee 3 years	Peter A. Villari
Trustee 2 years	Paul N. Backes
Trustee 1 year	John F. Orr

Committee Chairman

Program Director	John Haselhorst
Membership Director	Lloyd Everhardt
Church Activities	Joseph L. Bergeron
Youth Activities	Brian Bowers
Family Activities	Brian Bowers
Council Activities	Charles R. Nielsen
Community Activities	John Orr
Pro Life Couple	Brian & Karen Bowers

The focus of Holy Savior Council during the year has been new membership and the Priest Education Fund. We are very proud of the Knights of Columbus in our parish for their support in all areas including church, community, council, youth and family activities. A summary of our activities are as follows:

Church Activities

- Members serve on Financial Committee
- Members serve as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Acolytes and Lecturers at daily and weekly masses.
- Organize and conduct parish Barbeque
- Participate in Parish Blood Drive
- Decorate church during Christmas
- Construct picnic tables for church grounds

In August and September a total of 129 man hours to paint C.C.D. classrooms and approximately 25 gallons of paint.

Community Activities

- Organize and conduct Tootsie Roll Drive
- Members coach and assist in community sports program
- Members participate in annual Christmas Parade
- Members assist with meals on wheels delivering meals to shut-ins
- Members assist 4 C's in Clinton

Council Activities

- Hosted 1st, 2nd, 3rd degree exemplification at our Parish Center

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- Attendance and participation in 1994 State Convention

Youth Activities

- Members serve as Scout Masters for Boy Scouts
- Members assist in annual Boy Scout and Cub Scout spaghetti supper
- Assist in annual Boy Scout fund drive

Family Activities

- Sponsor Quarterly Wives' Night Out

A special thanks to those who give their time and talent. We are looking forward to a very active 1995-96 to help serve the spirit of our brotherhood.

Fred G. Roquemore
Grand Knight
Holy Savior Council 7854

Father Harry Wade Council 7910
Orange Grove
Gulfport, Mississippi
John R. Ward

This has been a very rewarding year for council 7910, with among many other things, the initiation of sixteen new members. We currently have four new prospects who, hopefully, will be initiated before the end of the current year.

Our members are dedicated to their council. Their families are dedicated and involved, helping with many council projects, including grounds maintenance and building maintenance. Even with the busy schedules we all have, attendance at our meetings averages twenty-five members.

This past March 25th was a memorable occasion for assembly 2347, with thirty-three exemplified from around the state, (fourteen from our own council) and many visiting dignitaries. Among those exemplified were three priests and one soon-to-be-ordained priest. Our Fourth Degree assembly now numbers thirty-five, and our honor guard has grown to five.

We could not have accomplished our many goals without the cooperation of our members, and the untiring support and encouragement of our Chaplain, and Faithful Friar, our Brother Knight, Fr. Antone Lynch.

Yours In Christ,

John R. Ward
Grand Knight
Council 7910

**Brookhaven Council 7915
Brookhaven, Mississippi
Aaron Achord**

It is with a great sense of pride that I submit this report on Brookhaven Council 7915. It was my first year as Grand Knight, and I had a lot of learning to do to maintain the continued excellence of our council through past leadership.

The installation of officer's was held on July 18th of 1994 at the local Holiday Inn. It was well attended by State officers, members, their wives and guests.

Installed were the following:

Chaplain	Father Kiam Pitany
Grand Knight	Aaron Achord
Deputy Grand Knight	Jim Craig
Chancellor	Hollis Cowen
Lector	Victor Becker
Financial Secretary	Richard Boyd
Recorder	Glenn Bodin
Warden	Nick Battaglia
Treasurer	Paul Reuter
Advocate	Bynum Meeks
Inside Guard	Ben Williams
Outside Guard	Chris Delaughter
Trustee	Thomas Corkern
Trustee	Thomas Philips
Trustee	Wade Ditcharo

The year got off to a great start with the installation of new members in August. From that point on the tempo was set. We continued to spread the seed of Columbianism with the assistance of a 1st degree initiation in Natchez. As the year continued we showed our support for the unborn with the sponsoring of the local Pro-Life Chain. Our annual Fund raiser (the Spaghetti dinner) was a great success with fellowship enjoyed by all who attended.

December was a very active time for our council. We participated in the local Christmas parade, had a council Christmas party, held a party for the parish CYO group. We held our fraternal night in January, with Free Throw competition in February. Our 12 year old entrant Lindsey Philips (daughter of Brother Knight Bill Phillips) won at the State Level. Our White Elephant sale was held in March with proceeds going to benefit the Priest

Education Fund. The Proceeds from that sale allowed us to match the \$1300.00 donation from the previous year. In April our annual Crawfish Bowl was held with over 1100 pounds of crawfish boiled.

We initiated a drive to increase membership attending monthly business meetings. This improved our attendance to an average of 18 members present or 25%.

The highlight of our council is in our Quarterly Corporate Communions, average attendance is over 80% of our council with family members joining in for a time of fellowship and communion. Our families of the months are presented their awards along with additional awards that are necessary.

It is with much sorry that I must report on the deaths of 2 members, Brothers Charles Feduccia and Brad Williams. It is with great humility I submit this report, because if it were not for members such as Past Grand Knight Wade Ditcharo, Past District Deputy Joe Bonfiglio, I would have been a ship without a rudder to guide me. But with men such as these there to help at a moments notice, our council cannot but continue to grow in the true virtues of Columbianism.

Respectfully Submitted

Aaron Achord
Grand Knight

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

St. Jude Centennial Council 8038
Pearl, Mississippi
Natale Zummo

The following council officers were elected in June 1994 and installed by our worthy State Deputy Tom Zettler and our District Deputy Lou Zyika:

Grand Knight	Natale Zummo
Financial Secretary	Gordon Cowie
Deputy Grand Knight	Freddie Roberts
Chancellor	Eugene Kennick
Recorder	James Dunn
Treasurer	Paul Fontana
Advocate	Bobby Brown

Warden James Morales
Trustee Ron Fealko
Trustee Leroy Hebert
Trustee Theodore Murray

The Council's goals for the year was to increase membership, community involvement and to be in Solidarity with our Priest. The following is a list of major projects of Council 8038 for 1994-1995.

Church Activities

- Dedicated First Degree to Father Ruane
- Sponsors lectors for Tuesday and Thursday daily mass
- Dedication of Sacred Heart to Prayer Chapel

Community Activities

- Work five locations for Tootsie Roll Drive
- Donated food items from Sky Parade to Gateway Mission
- Cooked a spaghetti dinner and sponsored a bingo for St. Jude Fall Bazaar
- Held a food drive for Community Stewpot
- Participate in a Right to Life March

Council Activities

- Sponsored three blood drives
- Sponsored a membership drive
- Attend funeral services for mother of brother Knight and a son of brother Knight
- Held an insurance night to promote fraternal benefits.

Family Activities

- Sponsors monthly visits and prayer service at a state mental hospital
- Sponsored a mass for deceased members
- Participate in a baby shower for the unborn

Youth Activities

- Provided leadership for the CYO
- Provided transportation for Shawn and Jason Odle to the Reach program
- Held a cookout for the Pearl youth
- Sponsored a Halloween party for the Reach program
- Held a volleyball game between CYO and KC
- Submitted entry for "Eagle of the Cross Award" for two CYO youths
- Sponsored a toy drive for "Toys for Tots"
- Local Free Throw Contest

It has been a great honor for me to serve as Grand Knight of Council 8038 for 1994-1995. The efforts put forth by the brother Knights of 8038 has been an inspiration to me. I would like to thank all my Brother Knights for making this a great and successful year.

Respectively submitted,

Natale J. Zummo
Grand Knight

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

St. Therese Council 8285
Jackson, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

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

Father Rober 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
Joe Tannehill

The purpose of this report is just to make you aware of the activities of one of your up and coming councils within the Mississippi jurisdiction. While we did not send our report in to Brother John Maloney, State Program Director, as we should have to be eligible for various awards I did want you to know about our activities.

Church Activities:

1. Donated and installed new lamps for outside lighting of the church and church grounds.
2. We have periodic work days keeping the church grounds neat and attractive.
3. Donated and dispensed chemicals to control fire ants and other insects on the parish grounds.
4. Donated \$440 to the priest education fund as a result of preparing and serving over 400 chicken dinners.
5. Members of our council serve the parish as eucharistic ministers, lectors, commentators, ushers and greeters at mass.
6. Helped sponsor and donate money for Christmas supper and gifts to parish priest.
7. KC members made all deliveries of spaghetti suppers to shut-ins, etc. also cleaned up and sanitized parish before and after.

Council Activities:

1. District Deputy Doiron installed council officers after mass followed by a steak supper in the parish hall for members and their families. The congregation at Mass was also invited.
2. The council holds regular monthly business meetings.
3. We hosted a district wide membership meeting attended by all grand knights and membership directors with our supreme membership representative present.
4. A membership drive was conducted one weekend at all masses followed by a social for the parish families.
5. Grand knight, financial secretary and other members, along with District Deputy Doiron and State Treasurer Quinn, held an organizational meeting in Belzoni with men of the Belzoni and Anguilla parishes for the purpose of forming a roundtable.
6. Sponsored a first degree in Belzoni with the Vicksburg team handling the exemplification. There were 8 candidates from the Belzoni/Anguilla parishes and 3 from council #2134, Greenville. We are in the process of transferring 3 active knights, that live in the Belzoni/Anguilla area, to our roles.

7. Participated in district #3's first, second and third degree exemplification held in Vicksburg. One candidate for first and nine for second and third (8 from our roundtable).
8. Three members-attended the exemplification in Clarksdale with one member receiving second and third degree.
9. We have acquired a council hall and many hours have been spent remodeling and preparing this building for our use.
10. Grand Knight and recorder attended School of Columbianism.
11. Council and 3 officers purchased tickets to support Kiln council fund-raiser and attended \$10,000 drawdown in Kiln, Ms.

Family Activities:

1. Held socials throughout the year for members and their families and also invited parish families.
2. Our families held an open house at our new council hall with the entire parish being invited.
3. Our roundtable is very active within their parishes with family functions.
4. Sent flowers to sick members of the parish.

Community Activities:

1. Held a very successful blood drive with the results covering Indianola and Belzoni parishes for blood needs for one year.
2. Extra meals left over from the priest education fund were distributed to the shut-ins and needy.
3. Donated \$400 to mentally retarded from Tootsie Roll drive.

Youth Activities:

1. Helped sponsor and provide food and refreshments for CCD socials.
2. Belzoni actively supported their CYO fund-raiser to help on expenses at the CYO convention.

While we are small we are active. I am sorry that we did not get our report in on time and this will not occur again. We feel that we have "turned the corner" and are "off and running" with a lot of enthusiasm and help from our roundtable. I would like to thank all who were instrumental in whatever success we have accomplished this year.

Worthy state deputy and brother Tom, for once we proudly attend the state convention with heads held high as Star Council and "Top Gun". We hope that in some way we have added, in our own small way, to the successful year that you have had in leading the Mississippi jurisdiction.

Your brother in Christ,

Joe Tannehill, Grand Knight
Council #9234

Reinhart Schroeder Council 9409
West Biloxi
Biloxi, Mississippi
Daniel Butler

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 Butler
Deputy Grand Knight	William Entriken
Chancellor	Robert Corcoran
Financial Secretary	Stephen Farry
Treasurer	James Starks
Warden	Gerard Rodriguez
Recorder	Christopher Billeaud
Advocate	Forest Taylor
Inside Guard	Tomas Rigby
Outside Guard	Edward Ring
Trustee (3 year)	Daniel Lechner
Trustee (2 year)	John Durham
Trustee (1 year)	Fred Spencer

PROGRAM: Gerard Rodriguez, Director

1. Gave counsel 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: James Rigby, Chairman

1. Held quarterly communion
2. Held annual Marion Hour of Prayer.
3. Performed gutter clean-up on all building 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: Rob Steenburgh, 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 the local sponsors.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: John Corbett, 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. November, held a Fraternal Benefits and March Drug Awareness programs.
5. February, held a Health Night on Heart Diseases and Prevention.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: Thomas Rigby, chairman

1. September and October, held parish altar server classes for altar servers (boys and girls).
2. December, held children's Christmas party for local needy children.
3. January, held annual Free Throw contest.

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: Daniel Lechner, Chairman

1. Held Memorial Mass for deceased members.
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 Butler
Grand Knight

**St. Francis of Assisi Council 9543
Madison, Mississippi
Tim Riecke**

The following programs were conducted by the Church Committee headed up by Brother Kenny Grissett:

- Council gave parish pastor \$75.00 at Christmas
- Council donated 300 to seminarians
- Council held priest education fund raiser
- Replaced doors and windows in St. Anthony Hall at St. Francis
- Painted St. Anthony Hall at St. Francis
- Council sponsored a food booth at church Cajunfest
- Knights donated, and set up tent at church Cajunfest
- Council planned cooked and served 200 people at church fund raiser
- Council sent Christmas cards to RCIA participants
- Council donated Pray to End Abortion Prayer cards to St. Francis of Assisi
- Council donated How to Receive the Sacrament of Penance booklets to St. Francis
- Council served coffee and doughnuts after 8:00 and 10:30 masses in the month of January
- Council donated Rosary Prayer Cards to St. Francis of Assisi
- Council purchased Christmas gala fund-raiser ticket for \$100
- Council volunteered to lead the rosary each Friday during Lent
- Church committee chairman visited seminarian in Chicago

The following programs were conducted by the Community Committee headed up by Brother Mark Doiron:

- Council promoted Tootsie Roll drive
- Council sponsors the REACH program by transporting disabled persons
- Council helped with church sponsored clothes drive
- Council donated blueberries to Gateway Mission
- Council donated two turkey dinners to MAD CAAP for needy families
- Council adopted a family for Christmas, and donated and delivered presents.
- Council collected Christmas cards for recycling
- Council donated \$100 to help bury church maintenance engineer's father
- Donated \$100.00 to Diocese of Jackson for conference registration fee
- Donated \$410.00 to priest education

The following programs were conducted by the council committee headed up by Brother Chris Manning:

- Council sponsored and held parish blood drive
- Promoted the saying of the rosary by donating rosary booklets
- Sold blueberries as council fund raiser
- 2 members participated in School of Columbianism
- Held annual K of C golf tournament
- Council sold refreshments at German Fest.
- Council held a pig roast social on Dec 3 1994
- Council participated in the planning of the KC convention
- Held first degree ceremony at St. Francis and provided refreshments
- Council maintained a scrapbook throughout the year
- Council held awards ceremony at "Red Hot and Blue"

The following programs were conducted by the Family Committee headed up by Brother Howard Hotard:

- Council sponsored a memorial mass for deceased members
- Council participated at Pro-Life candlelight vigil at state capitol
- Council sponsored a family bar-b-q
- Council sponsored "fly a kite day" at St. Francis
- Council donated \$80 worth of food to the family of James Kelly
- Council finished project for deceased member at widows home
- Council held a family campout
- Council donated \$100 to the family of deceased member James Kelly
- Council donated \$100 to the family of deceased member Ray Woods Jr.
- Council donated \$100 to the family of deceased member George Harrington

The following programs were conducted by the Youth Committee headed up by Brother Arnold Rezac:

- Council helped the CYO repair a house in Canton
- Council helped Boy Scouts paint the interior of St. Anthony Hall
- Council sponsored a youth campout for parish youths
- Council cooked for Assisi Learning Center Halloween party
- Provided refreshments for senior CYO for meeting

- Provided hot dogs and drinks for the jr. CYO after scavenger hunt
- Donated \$25.00 to Boy Scouts
- Conducted Stations of the Cross for St. Richard's 6th 7th and 8th grade

Membership Report: Brother Dennis Riecke:

It is my pleasure to submit this report to the state council at the 1995 convention, and it has been an honor to serve as grand knight for the Madison Council 9543. I wish to thank all the officers and members who worked so hard together in order to make this year a success:

Deputy Grand Knight	Chris Manning
Financial Secretary	Dennis Riecke
Treasurer	Kenny Grissett
Recorder	Bob Murphy
First Year Trustee	Dick Henry
Second Year Trustee	John Collins
Third Year Trustee	Jimmy Nelson
Chancellor	Mark Doiron
Advocate	Dwight Hood
Warden	Dave Wilson
Inside Guard	Charlie Dyar
Outside Guard	Ramon Machado

Respectfully submitted:

Tim Riecke
Grand Knight
Madison Council 9543

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

St. Ann Lizana Council 9958
Gulfport, Mississippi
Hollis Moran

Dear Brother Zettler,

Please allow this correspondence to serve as my Grand Knight's report. For the sake of clarity I will use the format of form SP7.

Church Activities:

1. The council was active in promoting and helping with the \$10,000.00 draw down for St. Ann's Parish in July. 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, Fourth of July and Thanksgiving Masses. He also preformed a similar service for the Christmas Mass.
 3. The council served dinner to all parish members as a gesture of recognition to the parish mothers on Mother's Day.
 4. The council sponsored a coffee and donuts reception for the fathers of the parish on Fathers's Day.
 5. The council furnished flowers for the parish altar on Easter and Christmas.

Community Activities:

1. The council is involved with the "Adopt a Highway Program."
2. The council conducts food drives for Thanksgiving and Christmas.
3. In conjunction with our Lady's Auxiliary, the council sponsored a free bingo and lunch afternoon for the elderly of the community. Prizes were donated by members.
4. We made a donation to the new community unit of M.A.D.D.

Youth Activities:

1. The council has offered their services to assist the parish in any matters concerning the parish youth. The council provided volunteers in the CCD program.
2. The council sponsored a picnic in conjunction with the Easter holidays for the youth and parents of the community.
3. The council sponsored a Christmas party featuring gifts from Santa Claus for children ages 0-10.
4. The council sponsors a Columbian Squires Circle.
5. The council sponsored the girl's basketball team for pre-teens.
6. The council sponsored a free-throw basketball event which had 154 participants. Two winners were sent to Jackson for the State Playoffs.

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 semi-annual banquets for its members.
4. The council conducted several raffles for the benefit of its building program.
5. The council takes all of the regular bingo workers to lunch each quarter.
6. The council conducts a \$5,000.00 draw down each September for its building fund.

Family Activities:

1. The council purchased turkeys for the Christmas food basket program for the needy.
2. The council provided help with the parish dinner held in December.
3. The council presents an award for the family of the quarter and for the family of the year.

It has been a pleasure serving as Grand Knight for our council for the past year. Our many dedicated and loyal members have made serving our community and our Lord a rewarding and exciting experience.

Very Truly Yours,
St. Ann's Lizana K of C #9958

Hollis Moran
Grand Knight

St. Paul Council 10216
Brandon, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

Father Clifford Meador Council 10443
Grenada, Mississippi
Michael Liberto

For the past year, serving as Grand Knight for our council has been a very exciting and rewarding time. This was due largely to the support of our many dedicated and loyal members. The following is a report of my Brother Knights accomplishments for the 1994-95 fraternal year.

In the area of church, we conducted a Marion 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 made canisters to give out to parish members to collect money for the priest education fund. The church sign was repainted and a K of C bulletin board was installed in the church foyer.

In the area of community, we conducted our annual Tootsie Roll drive and collected over \$3800.00. 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 2 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. We also attended the dedication of the 4,400 crosses by the Greenwood Council and gave the local radio station a prepared tape from Supreme proclaiming Columbus Day.

In the area of council, we sponsored a softball team, lead the family rosary during October, sponsored a membership drive in

which 3 new candidates were received, and elected a Knight of the Month. We sponsored two blood drives 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 fundraiser. We also published a monthly newsletter to keep members abreast of events and results of projects. C.P.R. training was provided to members of the C.Y.O. by brother knights.

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 held a ladies' knight appreciation dinner.

In the area of youth, we support our parish C.Y.O. financially and by offering 2 members to serve as advisors. Members also assisted in the C.Y.O. Halloween carnival and provided sports activities for summer Bible school. Several members showed support to the C.Y.O. by attending the State C.Y.O. convention and by acting as chaperones during the event. We also provided traffic patrol for the C.Y.O. St. Jude Walkathon. This year we also conducted our first successful free throw competition.

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 would also like to thank our district deputy and state officers for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Liberto
Grand Knight

**Monsignor Gregory Kennedy Council 10499
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
George Roberts**

Being a fairly new council, chartered November, 1990, I am only the 2nd Grand Knight to be elected to our council. Needless to say there were some lessons learned over the past year. Because of my officer's leadership abilities and the participation and dedication of our council members we had a very fulfilling year.

The following outstanding Knights stepped forward to accept the challenges of the 1994-95 Fraternal Year of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus. They were elected unanimously by their fellow Knights to guide the council through the challenges of the upcoming year.

Grand Knight	George Roberts
Deputy Grand Knight	Michael Miglioranza
Chancellor	Thomas Homsany
Recorder	Richard Greenwold
Treasurer	Lonnie Lowery Sr.
Advocate	Ray Klien
Warden	Lester Cottrell
Inside Guard	Frank Hilt
Outside Guard #1	Phillip Taylor
Outside Guard #2	Roland Hildebrand
Trustee 1st Year	Jerry Bodin
Trustee 2nd Year	Mat McNulty
Trustee 3rd Year	C. Bruce Pabon

The appointed offices of the council were offered to the following knights and accepted with honor.

Financial Secretary	Kerry Roberts
Lecturer	Jon Rivera
Chaplain	Deacon Martin Finnegan

Listed below are some of the major activities our council has completed over the 1994-95 fraternal year:

Church Activities: Director - Richard Osborne

1. Sponsored a Marian Hour of Prayer.
2. Program to honor the clergy.
3. Corporate communion.
4. Monetary support of pastor
5. Brother knight serves as member of Diocese of Biloxi Education Study Committee.
6. Brother Knight serves as member and co-director of OCIA (the new RCIA).
7. Council provides coffee and donuts after 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday
8. Donate clothes to Saltillo mission in Mexico.
9. Brother knights clean and wax CCD rooms and parish hall.
10. Brother knights do yard work and landscaping for the church grounds.
11. Brother knights serve as lectors, choir members, ushers, eucharistic ministers, altar boy instructor, CCD teachers.
12. Council members prepared and served breakfast for first communicants and their families.
13. Members attended diocesan rosary rally and served as honor guard.
14. Member organized a Cursillo Ultreya in parish.
15. Member gave speech for Cursillo Ultreya.
16. Council participated in a Right-to-Life candlelight vigil.
17. Council members attended brother councils 30th anniversary celebration.
18. Brother knight organized and conducts weekly Divine Mercy Chaplet prayer meeting.

Community Activities: Director - Roland Hillebrand

1. Support an abuse shelter for women, children, alcohol and drugs.
2. Participated with brother council #5654 in Tootsie Roll

- drive for Mental Retardation Center in Ocean Springs, Ms.
3. Members visited the sick and elderly of parish.
4. Promoted chastity/abstinence until marriage thru evenings for engaged program.
5. Sponsored and organized a-softball tournament for coast teams.
6. Brother knights and wives worked in the Lord is my Help Soup Kitchen.
7. Sponsored a community fly-in at the Ocean Springs Airport.
8. Brother knight serves in coast guard auxiliary in search & rescue missions.
9. Members donate platelets at parishes for leukemia and cancer patients.
10. Members serve as volunteer firemen.
11. Brothers serve as Air Force Honor Guard for deceased members.
12. Member serves as t-ball coach.
13. Semiannual blood drives.
14. Council constructed and entered float for Mardi Gras parades in city.

Council Activities: Director - Kerry Roberts

1. Sponsored a health program for cholesterol, blood pressure, and blood sugar check for parish.
2. Fraternal info night.
3. Sponsored a softball and soccer team in the city league.
4. Sponsored membership drives throughout year.
5. Promote the saying of rosary by members and family.
6. Sponsor monthly po-boy sale in community.
7. Hosted K C district meeting at St. Elizabeth Seton parish hall.
8. Council co-hosted 1993-94 Miss. State Knights of Columbus convention.
9. Conducted awards banquets.
10. Phone committee for reminders of meetings and special events.
11. Conducted Sunday dinners with brother council #5654 to promote parish family life program.
12. Organized New Years Eve dance.
13. Council members attended Bay St. Louis dedication of Monuments to the Unborn.
14. Council members and members of brother council #5654 organized dedications for Monuments to the Unborn in St. Elizabeth Seton parish and St. Alphonsus parish in Ocean Springs and at the K. of C. hall in Ocean Springs West.

Family Activities: Director - Glenn Harris

1. Conducted Family of the Month program.
2. Sponsored memorial services for deceased members.
3. Co-chaired quarterly corporate communion.
4. Attended pro-life rally.
5. Participated in pro-life chain across America.
6. Sponsored end of year swim party for council and family.
7. Donated carnations to mothers at Sunday Mass of Mothers Day.

Youth Activities: Director - Willie Esteve

1. Co-sponsored Knights of Columbus annual free throw

- competition for the youth of the city.
2. Sponsored CYO halloween party.
3. Assisted CYO in Thanksgiving dinner for the elderly of the city.
4. Boiled easter eggs for the CYO's annual easter egg hunt for the parish children.
5. Assisted CYO picnic.
6. Furnished night security for the CYO state convention.
7. Attended and supported search weekend closing Mass for the youth of the Biloxi Diocese.

These council activities were spearheaded by our energetic program director, Michael Miglioranza, who also served as our Deputy Grand Knight.

Yours in service,

George Roberts
Grand Knight

St. John Council 10901
Oxford, Mississippi
No Report Submitted

St. James Council 11541
Gulfport, Mississippi
Edward C. Croal, Jr.

Chaplain	Msgr. James McGough
Grand Knight	Edward C. Croal Jr.
Deputy Grand Knight	Stephen Broadus
Chancellor	Michael K. Croal
Advocate	Stephen Spratley
Recorder	Ron Donegan
Warden	Harold Noll
Financial Secretary	Fritz Oberlies
Treasurer	Gerald Oberlies Jr.
Inside Guard	Darryl Hunter
Outside Guard	L. A. Drago
Trustee 1 yr	Wilbur Sellier
Trustee 2 yr	Arthur Spratley
Trustee 3 yr	Charles Austin

On April 3rd the final papers were completed after a meeting with District Deputy Hollis Moran. At that time 10 new candidates were initiated for the new council. The council has 66 members.

On April 17th the council elected officers and began to get involved with parish. A work party was formed of 7 members and they spent nearly four hours cleaning the St. James Cemetery.

The council establish a corporate communion, which will be the first Sunday of each month.

The council is presently outlining their committee chairman and has scheduled installation of officers for May 1st.

The council is looking forward to a very busy year.

Respectively Submitted:

Edward C. Croal Jr.
Grand Knight

District Deputy Reports

District # 1
Keith Merritt

Worthy State Deputy:

I am proud to announce that District One of the Mississippi Jurisdiction has completed a successful year and is well on its way to becoming one of the leaders in this jurisdiction.

As of the present time, District One, which encompasses Tupelo, Oxford, Corinth, Holly Springs, and Southaven is 89% of quota as pertains to membership. By the end of this fraternal year, with the First Degree Exemplifications scheduled, I believe we will exceed 100% of our membership quota. I also believe that, as a District, we will achieve our quota in insurance as well.

As District Deputy I had three specific goals in mind for this fraternal year. One was to have each council in the district increase their membership. As of this moment only one council has not achieved that goal and I believe it will be done before the year is out. Secondly, I planned and implemented not one, but two district meetings. This was a significant goal since it had been ten years since a meeting on such a scale had been held. I am very proud that all councils were represented at the August meeting. We focused on membership, retention and goal setting. In January I called the councils together to reaffirm our commitment to the goals we set earlier, checked our progress and planned new strategies. We also focused on the Tootsie Roll Drive and opened the meeting up to any council who wished to come and participate. The goal? To make certain that we all fulfill our obligation to our local charities. Success creates more success if you share what you know. I am very proud of the fact that the Tupelo Council had the highest total collection of over \$18,000 and another of District One's councils had the highest donation per member. That council was the thirty two member Corinth council. Small councils can and will do big things.

My third goal was to have a First Degree team in every council. Three of five have teams as of this moment. The other two are diligently working on forming their own. As District Deputy, I believe that the wonderful lessons taught in this degree are so meaningful, so important, that we owe it to our membership to create a team from within. This promotes fellowship, and fraternalism. Plus it builds enthusiasm for recruiting new members! As soon as the two remaining councils develop their teams, we will have a District Team competition. I expect this to be very soon.

District One also supported our neighbors, District Two in Clarksdale, by bringing ten candidates to their Second and Third Degree in March. And we hosted one of the most successful Fourth Degree Exemplifications ever and that was the one in September in which over sixty men stepped up to the higher commitment of our order. It has been a wonderful, action packed year.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith Merritt, DD # 1

District # 2
No Report Submitted

District # 3
J. Warren Doiron, Jr.

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
#7854 - Clinton
#9234 - Indianola

Supreme membership report dated 4/1/95 is as follows:

Council 898 -	Additions 32	Deductions 8	Net Gain 24*
Council 2134 -	Additions 4	Deductions 3	Net Gain 1
Council 2945 -	Additions 1	Deductions 0	Net Gain 1
Council 7854 -	Additions 0	Deductions 0	Net Gain 0
Council 9234 -	Additions 8	Deductions 0	Net Gain 8*

*Councils 898 and 9234 have achieved Star and Top Gun status.

District quota from Supreme:

Membership	25	-	Net Gain	34	-	136.0%
Insurance	14	-	Net Gain	9	-	64.2%

*There are 3 Life Apps pending for #9234 bringing Net Gain to 12.

Hopefully we can pick up 2 or 3 more for overall Star District.

There were 7 First Degree exemplifications held in the District this past year. Vicksburg held 6 and Indianola held 1. The exemplification in Indianola established a Roundtable with the Belzoni and Anguilla Parishes. On March 4, the District held a 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification in Vicksburg. We welcomed 20 new brothers and witnessed 58 advance into full knighthood in the order. A very positive day.

All council officers were installed at Masses in their Parishes during the month of July and each council hosted a social after the installations. The District had 100% attendance for the School of Columbianism held at St. Therese in Jackson on July 30th and the District Meeting held in Vicksburg on August 27th with District #4. The District meeting was a big success and I wish to thank Worthy State Deputy Thomas Zettler, Worthy State Treasurer Jesse Quinn, III, State Membership Director Larry Campbell and State Program Director John Maloney for attending and taking an active part in the program. Worthy State Advocate Guy Todaro was to attend but had to represent the Worthy State Deputy on the Gulf Coast in another program. I wish to thank District Deputy #4 Lou Sylka for his assistance in making the meeting a beneficial one. On December 3rd, I attended the Mid-Winter Meeting held at St. Paul's in Brandon. There was a District Meeting held in Indianola on February 7th with all council Grand Knights and Council Membership Directors. The purpose was to meet with Supreme Representative Lou Segala, PSD. Good attendance, good meeting, good food and we advised Brother Segala of our upcoming membership drives. During the year I made several visits to the councils to verify their progress and assist in any way that I could to add to their success.

All reports due in the Supreme Council were mailed on time. The reports for the State Program were submitted by 3 of the 5 Councils with Council 898 submitting a report in excess of 5,000 points, an outstanding year.

All councils within the District held membership drives. We chose various weekend Masses in each Parish and were allowed to speak at all Masses telling the Knights of Columbus story. After each Mass the councils held a reception that were attended by prospective members, their families and the parishioners in general. I wish to express my sincere thanks to Worthy State Treasurer Quinn for being at each Parish during membership drives and talking an active part. A great deal of thanks goes to a lot

of Brother Knights for their dedicated assistance in helping establish the Roundtable between the Parishes of Belzoni and Anguilla with #9234, Indianola. A special word of thanks to Brothers Billy Wilson and Tony Dardeau of Council 898, the First Degree team from Council 898 and especially Father Sam Messina for his enthusiastic support.

We have accomplished much in District #3 but there is still much to do. I wish to thank the officers and members of the councils within the district for their support and hospitality as I went about my work as district deputy and their dedication and believe in our great order makes me proud to have served this past year.

Worthy State Deputy, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the confidence you showed by appointing me district deputy and I tried my very best to fulfill your expectations. It has been an honor and wonderful experience serving you within the Mississippi Jurisdiction. Your love of our faith, your family and your dedication to our great order has truly been an inspiration to me. I wish to thank the entire State Family for their support this past year and if I can ever be of further service to you or our order please do not hesitate to call on me.

Respectfully submitted,

Warren Doiron, Jr.
District Deputy #3

District # 4
Lou Zylka

District #4 consists of 5 councils in the Jackson area.

848 John T. Savage, GK Ivan Lambert
8038 St. Jude, GK Nat Zummo
8258 St. Therese, GK David Longo
9543 St. Francis, GK Tim Riecke
10216 St. Paul, GK Frank Whitehead

District #4 combined their efforts this year with district #3, which made working towards a common goal an interesting task.

Many benefits were derived:

1. Councils can work together to achieve a common goal, apply similar efforts in pro-life participation, fund raisers for our priest and membership for our beloved order.

2. Councils do have individual problems, but as in every case, counseling those within the problem area in a positive manner and looking towards that common goal, can strengthen the council as well as the district.

3. Men whose fraternal commitment extends throughout the jurisdiction and quite amazingly throughout the world, solidarity within our area priests.

In reading this letter, you have already experienced the best convention that the Mississippi jurisdiction has ever sponsored. I say this without reservation due to the efforts of those who honestly participated. A district is as strong as its leaders and I am proud to be associated with my fraternal brothers in district #4. Each council is as different as day is to night, but striving towards Columbianism.

I would be reminiscent if I were not to mention the highlights of working with this district that being Council 9543 St. Francis. a story worth telling! After 60+ suspensions within the council, to clear up records of many administrations, Council 9543 banded together worked hand in hand, placing in new members, sponsored former members, transferred or replaced through overwhelming odds to fall within only 2 members shy of Supreme's quota at this writing. I'm proud of these brothers and my association with them.

My own council 10216 will attempt a similar rebirth in the 1996 calendar year.

St. Jude has become a friend in so many ways, their knowledge and help is greatly appreciated.

St. Therese a strong council good organization projected goals and regimented leadership, they are blessed with a beautiful church, and working facilities. St. Therese is the home council for State Warden Roy Patterson.

John T. Savage the grandfather of the district has been a joy to work with. I'm always humbled when I am among the brothers. Their experience has helped us all within the district.

Tom, I want to thank you for the experience. I treasure your example and am proud to be associated with a christian such as yourself. It is rewarding to be able to travel within our jurisdiction and speak to others about columbianism and use the example a true knight "be our State Deputy Tom Zettler".

Respectfully,

Lou Zylka
PGK, PFN, DD#4

District # 5
Paul Carpenter

The 1994-1995 Fraternal year of many ups and some downers.

All Councils were duly installed, 802 Meridian on July 12, 1994, 2180 Laurel on July 13, 1994, 1908 Hattiesburg on July 16, 1994, 7974 Columbus on July 30, 1994, 6765 Columbus on September 13, 1994.

District 5 is composed of 802 Meridian, 1908 Hattiesburg, 2180 Laurel, 6765 Starkville, 7974 Columbus. All of these councils had at least three new members, and all councils hosted at least one 1st Degree.

Council 2180 Laurel has a 1st Degree Team and held several 1st Degrees at Laurel and Hattiesburg. I salute this team.

Council 802 Meridian has held several 1st Degrees. This is an excellent team also.

Council 6765 Starkville hosted a 1st Degree conducted by a combination of teams. This was an important Degree as the Pastor Fr. Mike O'Brien after 20 years became a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Council 7974 hosted a 1st Degree team from Greenwood.

I am proud of these Councils and rightfully so.

Council 1908 Hattiesburg hosted a 2nd and 3rd Degree that was very successful.

District 5 is planning a 2nd and 3rd Degree to be held June 4, 1995, in Meridian at Council 802.

District 5 had a large loss of member due to suspensions, as it was time to clean the books.

D.D. 5 attended District Deputy Meeting and installation on July 9, 1995, School of Columbianism on July 31, 1995, Mid-Winter meeting on December 3, 1994.

D.D. 5 held District meeting on October 9, 1994, Mid-Winter meeting January 15, 1995 and Special Membership Meeting with Supreme Representative Leo Segallo on February 8, 1995.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Carpenter

District # 6
Rick Penick

Dear Worthy State Deputy:
State Officers
Brother Knights

It has indeed been a pleasure to be District Deputy of District No. 6 for another year.

I have seen some real signs across the district of growing in the spirit of Columbianism. The Brookhaven Council has shown great leadership and growth in membership and in insurance members. This council is always out in front in all their projects. They are a real community minded group of Knights and I hope this spirit will grow.

The Natchez Council had a First, Second, and Third exemplification back in August. The council has a new Grand Knight in Rickey Warren and continues its commitment to growing and being active in the Natchez Community.

The Bassfield Council has a great council and they have done a great job in bringing in new members this year. This council has undertaken to build a new parish hall for their church. It is amazing what this group of hard working Knights have accomplished. I applaud Grand Knight Charles Harrington and a great bunch of hard working men who have accomplished so much for their church. Great Job men and God Bless you all.

The Lumberton Council has continued frequent projects for their Church. This council has a member that is currently studying for the Priesthood at St. Ben's. They are a great bunch of men and may God Bless their efforts.

The McComb Council has good leadership they continue to be active in their parish. They will always remain close to my heart as they are my home council. I believe that this council has one of the finest knights in the world in Brother Harry Cregan.

May I close by saying thank you to the State Deputy and All the State Officers for their help and support.

Respectfully,

Rick Penick DD No. 6

District # 7
Richard Hoda

Worthy State Chaplain, State Officers, My Brother Knights.

My report for the 1994-1995 Fraternal Year began at the 90th Annual Mississippi Knights of Columbus State Convention held in April at Biloxi, MS. At that time I was reappointed District Deputy #7 for the 1994-95 Fraternal Year.

On July 9th I attended a very inspiring State Council Organizational Meeting held in Meridian, MS covering an overall preview of council programs, membership (recruitment & retention) and ceremonials were discussed.

I did not attend the School of Columbianism that was held July 24th in Jackson due to a prior committment, I was therefore excused by our Worth State Deputy.

District #7 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.

I have visited each and every one of my councils numerous times during the fraternal year bringing enthusiasm, encouragement, information and certifying council programs and membership.

On September 9th District #7 and cohost District #8 organized a joint district meeting that was held at the parish hall at St. Anns in Lizana. In attendance were all Council Grand Knights, Program Directors, Membership Directors and Financial Secretary.

I wish to congratulate 3 councils in District #7 for receiving the Supreme Awards for the 1993-94 Fraternal Year. They are #1522 Bay St. Louis - Columbian Award; #6872 Picayune - Columbian/Fr. McGiveny Award; #7087 Kiln - Columbian/Fr. McGiveny Award. Each of these councils are well deserving of these awards.

During the 1994-95 fraternal year, there were 4 First Degree Exemplifications held, 3 by Council #4898 Long Beach and 1 by #4472 Pass Christian. A new Degree Team is still in the works for Council #6872 Picayune.

Two Councils in District #7 have dedicated "Tomb of the Unborn". They are Picayune Council #6872 and Bay St, Louis Council #1522.

On Sunday April 2nd I had the distinct honor of witnessing two Columbian Squire Circles installed in my district. There were a total of 33 young Catholic men investiture in the newly formed Squire Circles of Council #6872 Picayune and #7087 Kiln.

As the 1994-1995 fraternal year comes to a close, I would like to thank each Grand Knight, his Council Officers and members for

their support during this past year. I had the opportunity to witness Catholic men and their families come together to benefit others.

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 my state family for their support and advice when they are called upon.

Respectfully Submitted

Richard Hoda
District Deputy #7

**District # 8
Hollis J. Moran**

Worthy State Deputy,
I submit the following report for your information, concerning my activities as District Deputy for the past year. I apologize for not doing more.

I installed all my councils, plus a non-state affiliated ladies auxiliary, between June 26th and August 13th.

I was invited to and attended socials and dinners at 1583 Gulfport, 7910 Orange Grove, and of course at my home council.

If I am invited to attend a council function, I will make ever effort to be there.

There were two first degree exemplifications in my district. One in Gulfport on November 19th and one in Orange Grove on November 24th.

I attended the School of Columbianism on July 24th and was admitted to the hospital on July 26th with a heart problem, which medication is currently regulating.

On September 1, I damaged my foot and was out of circulation for a period of time. Consequently, I have not been as visible as I should have been in my councils, and apologize to them for that.

On September 10th a joint meeting was held at St. Ann Lizana for district # 7, and for district #8, myself. It was well attended by council representatives and by state officers. We thank them.

I want to thank Brother Larry Campbell for chairing the meeting

for us. An excellent job Larry.

According to the November D.D. report, Supreme has my district listed as having 70% of membership quota. That credit belongs mainly to John Ward of 7910 Orange Grove, who has added six members over his quota. Thank you John.

Council 9409, West Biloxi has a quota of 5, they have added 4, council 1583 Gulfport has a quota 18, they have added 5, council 9958 Lizana, my home council has a quota of 5, they have added 0.

The quota for my district for insurance members is 14, we have added 4.

District wide we need 7 members to meet our quota, and 10 insurance members. We will do it, it will be done.

Lastly Tom, I think every D.D. in this state owes you a big apology for not bringing in a new council in eighteen months. You have been an excellent state deputy, sincere, progressive and very supportive of all the membership. You deserve better and we must deliver.

The following data will cover the time since the mid-winter meeting report above.

On December 3, 1994 after the mid-winter meeting I joined the Worthy State Deputy, Tom Zettler at West Biloxi council 9409 at Our Lady of Fatima hall for his presentation of the Star Council Award.

I attended the dedication of the rosary garden at Bishop Gunn 1583 in Gulfport. An impressive ceremony and garden.

On March 11th and 12th, at the request of the state deputy I attended a membership drive at St. James parish in Gulfport.

On March 11th I had the privilege of attending a clergy appreciation night at council 1583 in Gulfport.

On March 12th I attended a meeting at St James in Gulfport, along with our State Deputy Thomas R. Zettler, our State Secretary, Gregory Niolet and our Insurance Agent Christopher Carrubba. The ground work was laid for the new council, with a possible charter date around May 27th.

On March 26th I again met with the prospective members of the new council. At that meeting they voted to start a new council at St. James.

Again on April 3rd, we met, elected a temporary grand knight and a financial secretary. We scheduled a first degree for April 10th. 11 new members were given their first degree.

The membership voted to call the new council "St. James Gulfport". A new council was born. The paper work was expedited to the state deputy six weeks prior to the projected date of

filling.

I wish to thank Mr. Fritz Oberlies, who is owed all the credit for doing the ground work for this new council. I did the paper work and kept it moving in the right direction that they decided to go.

St. James council #11541 is up and running. For you Tom.

On April 1, 1995 a district meeting for districts 7, 8, and 9 was held in Gulfport at 1583 Bishop Gunn. This meeting was chaired by Mr. Sagalla and had as its major theme membership.

I want to thank Grand Knight Terry Hurst for hosting this meeting for the district deputies on the coast. It was well attended.

There have been only four 1st. degrees in my district that I am aware of. A 4th degree was held at 7910 Orange Grove on March 26th.

There will be a 2nd and 3rd degree at Lizana on May 21, 1995.

We will look forward to seeing each of you there so that we can show you what real hospitality is all about. We will have food catered and there will be no cost for your meal at Lizana. It will be good, so come enjoy the day, back your candidate in his quest for knighthood.

Respectfully Submitted,

Hollis J. Moran
D.D.#8

District # 9
Ted V. Knowles

Worthy State Deputy,

District 9 consists of the following councils:

1224 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. G. Kennedy - Ocean Springs

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

We had Five (5) councils in attendance at our first District

meeting, which was again hosted by Council 10499. Thanks to all who attended, and a special thanks to Grand Knight George Roberts and his members for their hospitality.

We held 13 First Degrees and initiated 33 new members, of which 27 went on to get their 2nd and 3rd degrees.

We also held the first ever District sponsored Major Exemplification, which was hosted by Council 5654 Ocean Springs. (Thanks to Grand Knight Louis D'Andrea and his group for all their hard work in planning this project) We had 27 candidates who received 2nd and 3rd degrees. Thanks to all Grand Knights who were able to attend and bring candidates. A special thanks to the State Deputy and all the State Officers who were able to attend. And last but not least to the Greenwood Team for their outstanding degree work.

Councils within the District continue to demonstrate their ability to work as a team, (Unity) to accomplish many worthwhile projects. I would like to point out some examples;

1. District 9 has a 2nd and 3rd Degree Team which is composed of Knights from three Councils.
2. Councils 5654 and 10499 of Ocean Springs team up every year for their annual Tootsie Roll drive.

They also teamed up to sponsor and dedicate three Monuments to the Unborn.

The willingness of Councils 5654 and 10499 to work together, is an excellent example of what can be accomplished when Knights are united in a righteous cause. Further this example can be used to quiet those who say that when a Council gives birth to another Council only irreparable harm can come of it.

As, I reported last year, while District 9 didn't set the woods on fire, we were able to stir the flames of Columbianism a little bit.

In closing, I want to again thank the Councils, their officers, and members of District 9. Their dedication to, CHARITY, UNITY, FRATERNITY, and PATRIOTISM was what made any success within District 9 possible. I will always treasure the co-operation and hospitality they gave me, as I attempted to carry out my duties as District Deputy.

Worthy State Deputy, I will not close without expressing on behalf of all Knights in District 9, our heart felt appreciation and gratitude to you and all State Officers, for the manner in which the business of this great jurisdiction has been conducted. We are proud to be Knights and Catholic.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Ted V. Knowles
District Deputy No. 9

Saturday, April 29, 1995
Pro-Life Rosary 7:30 AM
Memorial Mass 8:00 AM
Bishop Joseph L. Howze
Celebrant

Second Business Session

The Second Business Session was called to order by State Deputy Thomas Zettler at 9:55 a.m. The opening prayer was offered by State Chaplain, Father Kevin Slattery.

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

Credentials Committee
Greg Niolet, State Secretary

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 Knights Of Columbus
1995 State Convention Delegates

802 Meridian	Scott Dibbs	Mouise Richards
848 Jackson	Ivan Lambert	Henry Kajdan
898 Vicksburg	Tom Chady	Tom Thornton
1034 Natchez	Richard Warren	Darren Cowart
1244 Biloxi	Julius Broussard	Curtis Harrison Jr.
1522 Bay St. Lou	Andrew Mitchell	Harvey Mitchell
1583 Gulfport	Terry Hurst	Mike Craft
1605 Pascagoula	Walter V. Langston	Bernard R. Frederic
1908 Hattiesburg	Joseph Goellner	Michael Bucciantine
2134 Greenville	John Bernardi	Bill Koeppe
2180 Laurel	John Myers, PSD	Bill Gatzman
2945 Leland	Leon J. Shapley	Charlie J. Morlino
2969 Clarksdale	Paul Borgognoni	Richard Finimore
4472 Pass Christian	Warren Reso	Joseph Ladner
4898 Long Beach	Ben Dilorenzo	David Dilorenzo
5267 Greenwood	Kevin Vanderlip	Bradley Burden
5556 Cleveland	Marvin L. Lott PSD	Albert Rocconi Jr.
5654 Ocean Springs	Lew D'Andrea	Carl Brochard
6555 Shelby	Joe Bramucchi	Bruno Fava
6592 Bassfield	Charles Harrington	Ted Applewhite
6765 Starkville	Carey Cox	Dick Benton
6872 Picayune	Thomas A. Wedig Jr.	Emile J. Vial
7087 Kiln	Elbert Cuevas	Joseph Cuevas

7120 Southaven	James W. Farris	Arthur Hermsdorfer
7211 Lumberton	Hubert Byrd	Charles R. Boyer
7854 Clinton	Fred Roquemore	Sterling J. Peters Jr.
7910 Gulfport	John R. Ward	Arnold Lee Fuller
7915 Brookhaven	Wade Ditchard	Aaron Achord
7974 Columbus	Ralph Corrado	Joseph Haftek
8038 Pearl	Natale Zummo	Gordon R. Cowie
8054 McComb	William Gardner	Dennis Dunn
8285 Jackson	Rick Gaspard	David Longo
8760 Holly Springs	Ralph Howard	Cecil C. Jones
8848 Tupelo	William Kordik	Reed Fontenot III
8912 Corinth	James Leatherwood	
9094 D'Iberville	Larry Tabor	Ben Tabor
9124 Gautier	Michael Lawless	Robert Hartman
9234 Indianola	Joe Tannehill	Terry Lott
9409 Biloxi	Daniel Butler	Daniel Lechner
9543 Madison	Tim Riecke	Dick Henry
9673 Woolmarket	Scott Higginbotham	Harvill Richardson
9958 Lizana	Anthony Moran	Frances Moran
10216 Brandon	Frank Whitehead	Dennis Drister
10443 Grenada	Mike Liberto	Buddy Honeycutt
10499 Ocean Springs	George Roberts	Bruce Pabon
10901 Oxford	Peter Sukanek	William R. Reynolds
11541 Gulfport	Edward Croal	Fritz Oberlies

District Deputies

District 1	Keith Merritt
District 2	Jim G. Glover
District 3	J. Warren Doiron Jr.
District 4	Louis F. Zylka
District 5	Paul Carpenter
District 6	Richard D. Penick
District 7	Richard Hoda
District 8	Hollis J. Moran
District 9	Ted V. Knowles

Past State Deputies

John P. Myers	Robert Fratesi
Fred Westbrook, Jr	Wiley Price, Jr.
Jesse Quinn, Jr	Dennis Ladnier, Sr
Norman Kiehm	Marvin Lott

Honorary State Chaplains
 Bishop William R. Houck
 Bishop Joseph L. Howze

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Niolet, State Secretary

A motion was made by Brother Joseph Ladner of Council 4472 Pass Christian, to accept the report of the Credentials Committee. The motion was seconded by Brother Leon Shapley of Council 2945 Leland. The motion was passed unanimously.

State Officer Reports

State Deputy
Thomas R. Zettler

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

It seems like only yesterday that I was asked to serve the Mississippi Jurisdiction as State Program Director and yet it has been 10 years and five state offices since that time. What a pleasure and honor it has been for me to serve my Brother Knights in the various offices of the State Council. As my second term as State Deputy comes to a close, I would like to share some thoughts with you about where we have been and where we might be going.

My second term as your State Deputy started with my reelection last April in Biloxi. I was still filled with the awe that comes with the realization that my Brother Knights were again placing their complete trust in my abilities to lead this Jurisdiction. I would hope that in all that I have done during the ten months of this term, I have been guided by my deep belief in Almighty God and with the understanding of all of my Brother Knights. I consider it a distinct honor to simply be a Knight of Columbus, to be a man of principle, to see charity as a duty not as a privilege, to promote the ideals of my Church and my God, to make every attempt, no matter how feeble, to right wrongs and foster the goals of this great brotherhood of Catholic men. To have the additional opportunity to serve as a State Officer, let alone as State Deputy, is the highest honor that can be accorded to a Knight by his fellow Brothers. I am, indeed, indebted and grateful.

JoAnne and I were again privileged to attend the State Deputy's meeting in New Haven, Connecticut in June. We arrived just in time for the meeting because the previous day I had had the great joy of preparing for and witnessing the golden jubilee celebration of Father James Brett. In my capacity as Coordinator of Religious Education at St. Patrick, it was incumbent upon me to see that this celebration was conducted successfully. And in this year of "Solidarity with Our Priests" what better assignment could a State Deputy have had than executing the Golden Jubilee celebration of one of our most precious commodities - our Priests. At the State Deputies meeting, I had the opportunity to renew friendships with other State Deputies throughout the Order and to learn of the new initiatives and goals for our Order. I left New Haven filled with great expectations having presented to the Supreme Council goals for our Jurisdiction which I truly believed could and would be accomplished.

After returning from the State Deputies meeting in New Haven, I

was invited to participate in the General Agent's meeting which was held in Cleveland, Mississippi. I was certainly honored that I had been invited and I was pleased to be able to attend. I have and will always have a great respect for the 'arm' of the Order. I believe that were it not for the insurance program and the proceeds generated from that program we would not have the ability or opportunity to accomplish many of the programs that we as an Order support. We are blessed in this Jurisdiction to have dedicated, personable, and knowledgeable agents in our field force. I solicit your generosity in welcoming them into your homes so that they might present the products they have to offer. The insurance products of the Order take a back seat to no one insofar as price, coverage or affordability is concerned. And always remember that the proceeds generated from these sales make possible such programs as the televised masses from Rome with our Holy Father as well as a myriad of other charitable causes. In addition, the Order spends far more on dividends to policyholders than they do in death claims. I urge You to become a Knights of Columbus policy holder if you are not already and to investigate the possibility of additional policies if you already are.

On July 9 of last year, the elected State Officers, District Deputies, and Officers of the Ladies Auxiliary gathered at my home Parish, St. Patrick, for the installation of State Officers. We were honored with the presence of Bishop Houck for this installation ceremony. The installation ceremony culminated a successful meeting of the State Officers and District Deputies where we formulated the plans for the upcoming fraternal year. I again reinforced my belief that the Office of District Deputy is one of the most critical in the Order and for this reason this organizational meeting was specifically for them and the State Officers as well as the State program personnel. I was blessed again this year with the nine men who agreed to give of their time and talents to serve as District Deputies. I know of no finer group of District Deputies in the Order and I am humbled that they would agree to serve with me. They have my deepest respect and admiration and I salute them. I would ask the District Deputies to stand at this time so that the delegates to this convention can express their appreciation to you for a job magnificently done.

I was also privileged to attend several Council and District installations. All of those ceremonies were conducted with dignity and I was elated to have been able to attend. We held the School of Columbianism in Jackson on July 24 hosted by St. Therese Council. I appreciate the efforts of Grand Knight David Longo and the members of Council 8285 for their efforts on our behalf. The School was very successful and the attendance was far above what was anticipated by any of us on the State level. At this meeting my main message to Grand Knights and other elected officers of the Councils of our Jurisdiction was a simple one: DO YOUR DUTY. For the most part, you have done so and I am grateful. However, I would assume that there are a few who see their election not as an obligation to their fellow Brothers of their Council but rather as an ego trip which satisfies a longing for attention. I again suggest to all of you as we approach another fraternal year, if you are seeking an office in your

Council seek it because you want to perform the duties of that office then perform them to the very best of your ability. The Brothers of your Council deserve nothing less.

I along with Immediate Past State Deputy Stan Swentkowski, Past State Deputy John P. Myers, and New Council Development Chairman, Joe Bonfiglio attended the Supreme Convention in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania in early August. This is an experience that I truly wish each and every one of you could personally have. It is the epitome of what Knighthood is all about. To see the gathering of Church leaders present for the Liturgies is enough to make a Knight swell with great pride in this Order of ours. It was at this Supreme Convention that I decided to invite our featured speaker, our Worthy Supreme Treasurer to attend this convention and I am elated that he was able to do so.

I also attended the Bienville Province meeting held in Memphis, Tennessee. This was hosted by Vice Supreme Master, Marvin Lott, PSD, and was to discuss matters pertaining to the Fourth Degree of the order for the upcoming year.

In November, I was privileged to attend the State Deputies midwinter meeting in New York City. The highlight of this meeting to me was the formal dinner at which the second Gaudem et Spes Award was presented to John Cardinal O'Connor (a retired Navy Chief of Chaplains). This was a magnificent event which simply reinforced my pride in this wonderful organization.

Following the aforementioned meeting, we held our State midwinter meeting in Brandon. I offer my thanks to Grand Knight Frank Whitehead and the Council members for helping to make this event a success. At this meeting, goals were set for the second half of our fraternal year. I was most pleased with the attendance and the enthusiasm displayed by those in attendance.

STATE OF THE ORDER

Our membership as of the April 1, 1995 report stands at a gain of 287 with a loss of 156 for a net gain of 131. While these figures may not be what we would like them to be, they include big losses from several Councils who cleared their books of members who have been carried for some time. We currently rank fourth in our division in net gain and there is no doubt in my mind that we can move up markedly in the two months remaining in this fraternal year. It is especially fitting that we should make every effort to excel in the membership arena this year in light of the membership program of "In Solidarity With Our Priests". Who better to honor with degrees and increased membership than the priests of our respective diocese? I am asking each and every one of you to make an extra effort to recruit new members during the final two months of the fraternal year in honor of these men of God. Another personal goal I had this year was to encourage each and every Council to recruit at least one new member during the fraternal year. At this point, I have reason to believe that we will either meet this goal or come very, very close to doing so. I appreciate the efforts that have been made in this regard. I am quick to say, however, that there

are often times when a member determines for one reason or another that he no longer belongs in the Knights of Columbus. At that point there is a suspension procedure that should be used. This procedure enables the State Deputy and the Supreme Knight to write to the member and advise him of his impending suspension and ascertain if there is any problem with which they might be of help. This procedure has proved helpful and I suggest that it be utilized for every suspension. I have written each and every Brother upon receipt of a Notice of Intent to Suspend and I have received some interesting replies. The system does work and may, in fact, result in the retention of a Brother Knight who otherwise would leave the order.

We do have seven Councils who have gone above and beyond in the membership area this year. I am proud to salute the following Councils for attaining Top Gun status. These Councils have achieved at least a 10% net gain in membership over the twelve months of the State's fraternal year:

- 898 Vicksburg
- 1908 Hattiesburg
- 6872 Picayune
- 7120 Southaven
- 7910 Orange Grove
- 9234 Indianola
- 10901 Oxford

My personal and congratulations to these Councils for their outstanding membership work this year.

As you heard last night, the awards for net gain and percentage gain in membership based on Council size were awarded to:

Small Council	Council 10901 Oxford
Medium Council	Council 7910 Orange Grove
Large Council	Council 1908 Hattiesburg
Extra Large Council	Council 898 Vicksburg

I want to take a moment to recognize Council 9234, Indianola, for their work in organizing a roundtable with Belzoni and Anguilla. Under the able leadership of Grand Knight Joe Tannehill we have made the Order available to the men of these two parishes who otherwise may not have been able to partake of our Order because of a lack of members. Thank you Worthy Grand Knight for your efforts in this regard. I would ask you to stand and be recognized.

During this fraternal year, I was privileged to speak at a number of membership drives throughout the State. I welcome requests of this nature as do the other State Officers. I would suspect that this feeling will not change in the future. If you want any of us to speak at your membership functions, do not hesitate to ask us.

NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT

I am thrilled to report that we have submitted all of the paperwork for the establishment of a new Council in Gulfport and have received notification that Council 11541 is operational at St. James Parish. I salute Former Master Fritz Oberlies, State

Secretary Greg Niolet, District Deputy Hollis Moran, former Field Agent Chris Carrubba and Monsignor James McGough for their assistance in making this Council a reality. I would be remiss if I did not also thank the officers and members of Bishop Gunn Council in Gulfport for their support and understanding in this endeavor. While I am very pleased that we have formed this new council I do not think that our efforts in the area of new council development are at an end. There are other areas of the State where we need to investigate and proceed. I really believe that we could have as many as three additional new councils before we meet again in convention next year. But it takes the efforts of everyone to make it so. New council development is not a one man show. Think of the many blessings you have gained as a result of your membership in this great Order and I feel sure that you would want to share these blessings with as many others as is possible. And let's make new council development a priority in Mississippi! It is also well to remember that this fraternal year started with the dissolution of the former Councils in Yazoo City and West Point so we have a long way to go!

CEREMONIALS

As I mentioned in my State Deputy's report last year, I desired to hold a major degree every other month during this fraternal year. This we have done. Thus far we have held 5 major degrees and we have two additional ones scheduled. Second and Third Degrees were held in Natchez, Ocean Springs, Hattiesburg, Vicksburg, and Clarksdale. I appreciate all of the effort that went into making these degrees the success that they were. I especially appreciate the work done by the District Deputies in these respective areas and the host Councils or Districts. It is very important, as far as I am concerned, to give our First Degree members the opportunity as soon as possible to advance to the Knighthood Degree. Statistics show that a First Degree member is more likely to forfeit his membership than is a Third Degree member. As I mentioned, we have two more major degrees scheduled. They will be in Lizana on May 21 and in Meridian on June 4. Avail yourselves of these degrees and let's get our Brother Knights into the Third Degree. I again want to salute our Second and Third Degree Teams. These two teams from Pascagoula and Greenwood are excellent. The members of these teams perform simply for a love of the Order and for a desire to share this love with their Brother Knights. I appreciate all of their efforts and apologize for all of the inconveniences they have had to endure and I ask the delegates from Pascagoula and Greenwood to express my sincere gratitude to each and every member of his respective team.

I also salute Master John P. Myers for the conduct of two Fourth Degree exemplifications. One was held in Tupelo and the other in Orange Grove. Again statistics show us that a Knight who receives his Fourth Degree rarely voluntarily leaves the order. I am also appreciative of the respect and coordination I have experienced with the Worthy Master and I have enjoyed work in unison with him.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to Past State Deputy Wiley Price who has served for the past two years as my ceremonials chairman. He is truly a friend and Brother Knight and has, in fact taught me to speak a small bit of Cajun. In all seriousness, however, thank you Wiley.

INSURANCE

I have already mentioned our insurance program but I want to again reiterate some of the more important aspects of this program. The ratings achieved by the Order's insurance program from companies whose business is to rate companies consistently rate the Knights of Columbus at the highest level. The program is sound, well managed and solvent. It is a program by Knights for Knights and members of their families. As we all know, death will come to each and every one of us at some point. While we do not know the time or the place, we can have some say so in what happens to our loved ones when that day arrives. It is up to each and every one of us to protect ourselves to the extent that we are able to do so. All of the field agents assigned to our Jurisdiction are knowledgeable and agreeable to working with you on your insurance program. Ask them. None of them are high pressure salesmen but they all believe in the insurance program of the Order and rightly so. In addition, these men are also interested in the retention of our Brother Knights. If you need as in this area call upon them. Remember that in addition to being insurance agents, they are also Brother Knights who are members of Councils and want those Councils to succeed as well as any other member. I express my appreciation to all of the members of the force in this Jurisdiction for a job well done.

SUPREME COUNCIL AWARDS

During the past year four of our Councils received the STAR Council award, the highest award the Supreme Councils gives. Because of the importance of these awards, I thought it important to present these four awards in person and I did so. The STAR COUNCIL award recipients are:

802 Meridian
5267 Greenwood
8285 St. Therese
9409 West Biloxi

Other awards earned by Councils in our Jurisdiction from Supreme include:

COLUMBIAN and FATHER MCGIVNEY AWARDS:

6872 Picayune
7087 Kiln
7910 Orange Grove
8848 Tupelo

COLUMBIAN and FOUNDERS AWARDS:

7915 Brookhaven

FATHER MCGIVNEY and FOUNDERS AWARDS:

9543 Madison

COLUMBIAN AWARD:

898 Vicksburg
1522 Bay St. Louis
1583 Gulfport
2945 Leland
5556 Cleveland
8054 McComb
10443 Grenada

FATHER MCGIVNEY AWARD:

1908 Hattiesburg
6592 Bassfield
7974 Columbus
8038 Pearl
10901 Oxford

FOUNDERS AWARD:

7120 Southaven

Of the 47 Councils in our Jurisdiction, 23 of them qualified for at least one award from Supreme. This represents 50% but I am convinced that it could have been a much higher percentage. The old adage 'it ain't over till the paperwork is done' is appropriate as far as awards are concerned. In the Contest of Champions for 1994, the Meridian Council was awarded the trophy for both net gain (28) and for percentage gain (311). Congratulations to them for their work in membership recruitment. The Supreme Insurance Promotion Awards were awarded to Council 9543 Madison for a net gain of 8 and a percentage gain of 266%. They also deserve our congratulations for their work in promoting our program.

In the state awards program this year a total of 11 Councils achieved Distinguished Council status and a total of 11 Councils achieved Honor Council. Several other Councils could well have qualified for one or the other of these categories had they only submitted the required reports to Supreme by the assigned due date. Again I submit that this is part of "doing your duty". I congratulate all of those Councils who have been honored thus far as well as those who will receive awards tonight.

STATE OFFICERS AND DISTRICT DEPUTIES

I want to take this opportunity to salute those men who were elected to serve with me as State Officers this past year. They are knights among Knights. There were many functions that I could not attend because of schedule conflicts, but there was always one of the other State Officers willing and able to represent me. They did so without question or complaint. I am in their debt for their support. The task of being a State Officer (any State officer) is a demanding one. We sometimes lose sight of the fact that we also have families and day to day problems just like anyone else. But in every case, these men are to forgo personal endeavors to promote and support the programs of the Knights of Columbus. To my fellow State Officers, thank you for your support and dedication. I wish you all well and pledge my support to you in the years ahead.

In this year of Solidarity With Our Priests, I want to take this opportunity to single out the State Chaplain, Father Kevin Slattery. While fulfilling the full time duties of Pastor of St. John's in Oxford, Father Kevin still found time to perform in a most superb manner his duties as State Chaplain I thought it quite a tribute at last year's convention when a number of Brothers asked specifically to have his prayers printed in the minutes of the convention. That is a mark of the great respect in which this man of God is held by you, my Brothers, as well as a tribute to his oratorical abilities. Father Kevin, I will never be able to repay you for your dedication, support and especially friendship, but I ask you to stand and accept the accolades of this convention for a job that you have performed magnificently well. Father Kevin -

I also want to express my deep respect and admiration and my wholehearted thanks to our Honorary State Chaplains, our Bishops. Bishop Houck and Bishop Howze, you are, indeed, shepherds of your flocks. We are blessed and privileged to count you among our Brotherhood and know that we can count on you for your wholehearted support. I have been blessed and humbled to have been permitted to be seated with these men of God on the same dais. I also ask you, Bishop Houck, to convey our love and respect to Bishop Brunini on behalf of the Knights of Mississippi. We miss him and wish he were here with us. Please rise, my Brothers and as a mark of our deep respect, love and admiration for our Bishops, join me in a public thank you for their leadership to the people of God.

There are nine men who have gone far above and beyond this year. They are, of course, the District Deputies of this Jurisdiction. If I were running for reelection (and I assure all of you that I am not!) I would ask the same nine men to serve with me once again. They have been absolutely marvelous. They have served their respective Districts with distinction often placing the good of the Order above personal desires. They have put as many miles on the vehicles that they drive in the past ten months as were required to assure the completion of the mission at hand. There is no way that I can ever begin to thank them with the accolades that they deserve. But I will say this: If any of you aspire to serve as District Deputies in the years to come, model yourselves on these nine men and you will be a success. Keith, Jim, Warren, Lou, Paul, Rick, Richard, Hollis, and Ted, I hope you will accept a simple thank you with everything that those two small words denote from a very appreciative man who was blessed to serve with you.

Two other men I would like to single out for their support and dedication are my Program Director, John Maloney and my membership Director, Larry Campbell. These two men worked long and hard to implement requests that I made of them. Neither of them necessarily agreed with everything I wanted to do and yet, they always gave a cheery OK and went on with the program. John and Larry, you are not only members of the State Family, you are also my very good friends and I treasure the counsel you have provided to me during these past many months. While we have perhaps not always been right, we have always been as honest and

fair as we knew how to be and that is sometimes better than being right all the time. To both of you, my deep appreciation and thanks for a job well done.

In conclusion, I would like to mention several items that I think are noteworthy. I salute those Councils who participated in the donation of \$1425 to the Georgia Jurisdiction for their flood relief fund. I salute those Councils who have already participated in the fund raiser for the Jackson Diocese Evangelization Conference and I invite any of the other Councils of the Jackson Diocese to add their support as well. I am proud that we have closed the loop on the dead period in our program in the membership area and have thereby removed the invitation to dump members without penalty in our State Awards Program. I am proud of the job Paulino Carrubba has done in the Priest Education Fund and the support that the Councils have provided and continue to provide. I am proud of the two new Squire Circles that have been started and of the Council at St. James that has been formed. I am proud that I will soon be associated with the Past State Deputies who have for the past two years never failed to offer me encouragement and support. I especially thank Past State Deputies John Pat Myers, Fred Westbrook Jr., Norman Kiehm, Jesse Quinn, Dave Atteberry, Robert Fratesi (and I want him to note that I got his name right for a change!), Wiley Price, Doc Ladnier, Marvin Lott and certainly Stan Swentkowski. I also thank PSD Rodney Sandoz who years ago told me to follow my dream of being State Deputy and is responsible, although perhaps unknown to him for getting me involved on the State level.

To the Directors and Chairmen, thank you for your time and effort in your respective areas. The job simply could not have been done without the able assistance of all of these people.

A very special thank you to the members of my home Council for the tremendous support they have given me over not only these past two years but over the ten years I have been serving my fellow Knights of this Jurisdiction. I would ask Grand Knight Scott Dibbs to convey my deep appreciation and thanks for everything that has been done to further my service to my Brother Knights. I am, indeed, blessed to hail from such a loving, active, and dedicated group of Knights. I hope and pray that I will always be able to contribute to the well being of this marvelous Council. I also ask Grand Knight Dibbs to inform Brother Dave Koch that in two months he will have to start calling me something besides SD!

My wife and helpmate, JoAnne, has been and continues to be the centerpiece of my life. She means more to me than I am possibly able to say. Everywhere I have visited, if given the opportunity, I have tried to express my deep affection and appreciation for all that she is. She is the epitome of what a State Deputy's wife should be. I cannot begin to count the miles we have travelled together these past two years and I have not travelled one that I would not retravel with her again. On many occasions she has really not felt like going with me, but has. On many occasions she has taken the proverbial back seat to her husbands position and has done so with grace and dignity. I ask

you that she has represented you well with Cardinals, Bishops, Supreme Officers or the newest members of the Order, or their wives or family members. She is my love and has, through added work on her part, allowed me to serve in this capacity. Thank you, my dear JoAnne.

Finally I want to thank all of you - the members of the Mississippi Jurisdiction. It has truly been a pleasure to have served you in the highest elected position in the Jurisdiction. I have never let this election go to my head because I fully realize without your support I would never have made it here. To those I may have offended, I ask your forgiveness. To those who had disagreements with me, I ask you to realize that there is always more than one way of solving a problem but I am only one man with one mind. Remember that love is needed most by those who deserve it least. I pray that God in His infinite mercy and compassion will continue to guide our Order, our Jurisdiction, our Officers and Brother Knights and myself I pray each day when I receive our precious Lord in the Eucharist that He will shower His blessings upon all of us. Each and every one of you are a part of that prayer. Thank you for your attention, your support, and your enthusiastic love.

Vivat Jesus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas R. Zettler
State Deputy

**State Secretary
Greg Niolet**

Status of membership by Councils in the Mississippi Jurisdiction as of April 1, 1995 as compared with totals of April 1, 1994. Also, noted are the deceased members per Council. Figures are based on the monthly report of membership from Supreme Council.

Council	1994	1995	Increase	Decrease	Deceased
802 Meridian	198	214	16		3
848 Jackson	95	92		3	6
898 Vicksburg	273	299	26		0
1034 Natchez	200	186		14	2
1244 Biloxi	392	382		10	9
1522 Bay St. Louis	175	164		11	3
1583 Gulfport	394	386		8	2
1605 Pascagoula	280	276		4	3
1908 Hattiesburg	96	114	18		1
2134 Greenville	178	173		5	2
2180 Laurel	116	110		6	0
2945 Leland	67	69	2		0
2969 Clarksdale	277	281	5		0
3328 Yazoo City	50	0		50	0
4472 Pass Christian	40	37		3	1
4898 Long Beach	140	147	7		0
5267 Greenwood	75	76	1		0
5556 Cleveland	142	147	5		1
5654 Ocean Springs	157	161	4		0
6555 Shelby	38	38	0		0
6592 Bassfield	74	77	3		0
6765 Starkville	39	40	1		0
6872 Picayune	78	86	8		1
7087 Kiln	60	61	1		1
7120 Southaven	59	63	4		1
7211 Lumberton	38	40	2		0
7854 Clinton	47	47	0		0
7910 Gulfport	75	93	18		1
7915 Brookhaven	73	70		3	1
7974 Columbus	66	46		20	1
8038 Pearl	63	64	1		0
8054 McComb	59	58		1	0
8285 Jackson	90	94	4		0
8760 Holly Springs	32	35	3		0
8848 Tupelo	123	125	2		1
8912 Corinth	33	32		1	0
9094 D'Iberville	96	94		2	1
9124 Gautier	78	77		1	0
9234 Indianola	35	43	8		0
9409 Biloxi	85	83		2	0
9537 West Point	29	0		29	0
9543 Madison	121	126	5		1
9673 Woolmarket	64	60		4	1
9958 Lizana	56	56	0		0
10216 Brandon	67	68	1		0
10443 Grenada	33	39	6		0
10499 Ocean Springs	67	75	8		0
10901 Oxford	34	50	16		0
Totals	5157	5154	175	177	44

A total net loss of 2 members is shown by this report. Included are 1939 insurance members and 3215 associate members. Also included in these totals are 479 honorary life members, 94 honorary members, and 342 inactive members, included in this report are 44 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.

802 Meridian	Former State Treasurer Percy C. Nause Leo J. Donnelly PGK Peter A. Haney
848 Jackson	Michael Austin Patrick N. Harkins Jr. Paul J. Machost Sr. Harry J. Goulet Horace L. Ladner Henry T. Ziemianski
1034 Natchez	Frank S. Serio Robert E. Scudamore Jr.
1244 Biloxi	Orville C. Vierling Leo Todaro Walter J. Powers Mouise Richards Joseph Duffie Jr. William T. Long Walter Norman Quave Sr. Noel E. Bailus Sr. Sidney F. Romero
1522 Bay St. Louis	John C. Glover Victor Franckiewicz
1583 Gulfport	Wilburn Necaize Guy Todaro Sr.
1605 Pascagoula	Edward G. Kundis John W. Conway III Arthur J. Hoeny
1908 Hattiesburg	Marvin J. Hand
2134 Greenville	Silvio Oltremari John N. Azar
4472 Pass Christian	Marlin Sutherlin
5556 Cleveland	Joe Correro
6555 Shelby	Alexander Belenchia

6872	Picayune	Charter Chaplain Rev. Sylvester Hynes
7087	Kiln	Harvey J. Malley
7120	Southaven	John J. Newsom
7910	Gulfport	Charles H. Sisson
7915	Brookhaven	Charles Feduccia Sr.
7974	Columbus	Bruce E. Eaid
8848	Tupelo	Joseph A. Lavalley
9094	Diberville	Norman D. Krueger
9543	Madison	James Kelly
9673	Woolmarket	Charles Bodin

Respectfully Submitted,

Greg Niolet
State Secretary

**State Treasurer
Jesse Quinn, III**

(4-1-94 to 3-31-95)

CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE (4-1-94) 27197.92

INCOME

Per Capita	32098.95
Interest	427.28
Other Income	
Georgia Relief Fund	1425.00
Advertising	<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	34051.23

EXPENSES

1994 Convention	17789.72
Mileage & Per Diem	14332.55
Awards & Plaques	1063.15
Minute Book	2394.02
Georgia Relief Fund	1425.00
Financial Review (1993-94)	200.00
Membership Directory	462.24
Supreme Convention Delegate Expense	546.75
State Deputy's Administrative Expense	664.98
Magnolia Knight	1177.29
State Officer's Expense	3674.81
State Chairmen's Expense	619.22
Reimbursement of Per Capita Overpayment	<u>98.45</u>
TOTAL EXPENSE	26658.46
NET INCOME/EXPENSES	7392.77

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT ACCT. #246728-01
(4-1-94 to 3-31-95)**

Beginning Balance	27197.92
Total Income	34051.23
Total Expense	<u>26658.46</u>
Checking Account Balance (3-31-95)	34590.69

State Advocate
Guy S. Todaro, Jr.

Brother Knights,

This is the second year that I have served you as your State Advocate. It has been both a privilege and an honor, and an experience that I will treasure for the rest of my life. On June 16 of this year, I will be celebrating my twentieth year as a Knight of Columbus. I believe that this great fraternity of ours has helped develop me into a more solid Catholic by continually exposing me to countless outstanding Christians; you, the 5,000 plus men and your families that make up our Jurisdiction. You have helped me realize that we can make a difference in the world today.

Typically, our Annual Convention occurs during National Volunteer Week. This year National Volunteer Week was celebrated during the week of April 16-22, 1995. The theme this year was "Volunteer, because change is possible."

Webster defines a volunteer as "one who performs or gives his services of his own free will" or in farming terms volunteer is "a cultivated plant growing from self-sown seed." What a beautiful and powerful statement.

What is the first thing that pops into your head? Why the Knight of Columbus, of course. A group of men whose sole mission is to serve the less fortunate and other brother knights of their own free will, through the teachings of our Catholic doctrine and the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. And this Order, this self-sown Order, which started with a seed planted in the basement of St. Mary's Church over 113 years ago, has grown into an crop of nearly 2 million men who are making a difference in our world, in our Church, and especially in social issues such as Pro-life, battered wives and children, and euthanasia. We must continue to make a difference. To continue to make a difference, we must change.

Well, what about change? Why change? Because society is changing. Constantly. There is a phrase about change that I would like to share with you. "The pain in change is mainly in the brain." What this is saying is that the hardest thing about change is accepting change, not the change itself.

Brothers, if our Order is to survive and perpetuate, we must change. I am not suggesting that we should change our principles or what we believe in. What I am saying is that we must change our delivery, our approach, our style, our identity. If we want young men to join our Order, we must show them something and have something that they can identify with.

We live in a society of convenience, the Electronic Information Highway, the Automatic Teller Machine, Electronic Draft Checking, and so on. We live in a WIIFM society. WIIFM is a five letter acronym which stands for "What's In It For Me." Today's youth is looking for the WIIFM. We must find and market the WIIFM of the

Knights of Columbus. We have to recognize this. We must accept this; this change.

But Brothers, we have an avenue. We already have what other organizations are constantly and desperately searching for. We have the gold and the mine. We have a potentially bottomless reservoir of young knights right under our noses, literally within arms reach. I am talking about our Squires.

This past August, I had the honor of witnessing the installation of Mississippi's first State Squire Circle. Earlier this month, I again had the privilege of witnessing the initiation of two additional Squire Circles, Kiln and Picayune. The initiating team traveled from Laurel, and they performed to the same professional standards as our degree teams.

I congratulate the councils who sponsor our five Squire Circles in the State, and especially the knights in those councils who are dedicated to this program. I envy their vision and foresight to see the long-term benefits of this organization of young men, and I wish them success in molding these young squires into gallant knights. Our current State Deputy is an example of the potential that each of these young men can achieve.

I challenge every council to explore the possibility of sponsoring a Squire Circle, and then not convince yourselves that the benefits would far exceed the investment. We must exploit this shallowly-tapped resource. And soon.

As your State Advocate, my duties include advising councils on legal matters, and being the liaison to the Supreme Advocate when necessary. During this year, several issues came up which required additional advice from Supreme. One such time was when we were asked to determine if potential legalities would be incurred if monuments to the unborn were placed in front of our Churches and Council homes. As we had anticipated, Supreme saw no problem with this. We now have three monuments in Bay St. Louis and three in Ocean Springs. The dedication of the three monuments in Ocean Springs took place last Sunday which I was able to proudly attend.

Another historic Pro-life event also took place March 23, in Gulfport. Bishop Howze dedicated the Chapel to the Unborn at St. John's Interparochial High School. Being a 1975 graduate of St. John's, representing all of you and attending this ceremony added immensely to the honor.

On April 3, I had the privilege of participating in the First Degree which established our newest council, St. James - Gulfport. I congratulate you brother knights who have accepted Fr. McGivney's dream to have a council in every parish, and have established this young and promising council. I offer you my unconditional and dedicated support.

Before I close, I must take time to personally thank all of you for your prayers, calls, letters, mass cards, flowers and all of the many forms of sympathy that my family received after the

sudden passing of my father. Dad and I definitely had a special relationship. Besides being my first role model, he was my best friend.

To the knights and sir knights that attended the services and made them very special. To Bishop Gunn Council for opening their home in the true spirit of fraternity. To former Insurance Field Agent Chris Carrubba for providing and assisting more than duty required. On behalf of my mother and sister, I sincerely thank all of you for making this unfortunate event a very uplifting experience. You truly made me proud to be a Knight of Columbus.

This event has also heightened my awareness of our original charter; to care for the widows and families of our deceased brothers. I can assure you that our Order's insurance program, when used, adequately provides the financial care.

But as our First Degree teaches, charity does not always consist of money. It means continual care and vigilance of our brother's widows to ensure that their lives remain high in quality and usefulness. I believe we can all improve our relationship with the widows of our deceased brothers, and keep them actively involved in our program throughout the entire year.

Finally brothers allow me to share with you a few thoughts on Unity. Unity comes in many forms. One of which is how we support and stand behind one another. Sometimes I feel we are our own worst enemy. We seem to attack and belittle one another rather than supporting one another and defending each other from outside forces. We cannot gain and maintain the respect of others until we first respect ourselves. Others judge us, the Order, and our Church, based on our relationship with one another. We must solidify the unity among ourselves to be able to better withstand the obstacles and temptations that try to prevent us from accomplishing our mission.

We can look to the sky and see an example of Unity; a flock of geese migrating south in formation. Their mission is to travel as far south as they can to reach warmer temperatures in the winter season. They travel in a V formation because they can travel over 70% further in a V formation versus in a straight line. When the lead goose tires, he voluntarily rotates to the rear allowing a new, fresher goose to lead the flock. When one goose falls out of formation, two more follow him to aid him in recovery or until he expires. The geese in the rear of the formation honk to keep the lead goose alert and on course, not just to make noise.

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 very best to promote Columbianism in our great Jurisdiction, and I will humbly serve you in the future in whatever capacity you might see fit.

The Knights of Columbus, because change is possible, and we do
make a difference.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy S. Todaro, Jr.
State Advocate

**State Warden
Roy Patterson**

In preparing for this report, I asked myself "What should the State Warden's report consist of?" The State Deputy reports on the status of the State Council; the State Secretary addresses membership; the State Treasurer's interests lie in the area of finance, and the State Advocate looks at the legal arena and the Rules of the Order.

The State Warden's role, however, is somewhat more ambiguous. The By-Laws of the Mississippi State Council, Knights of Columbus, defines it in this way: The State Warden shall act as Warden of the State Council at all of its meetings and perform such further duties as may be lawfully required of him by the State Deputy and the State Council. The Warden's job, generally speaking, is to maintain order. The script for the "Installation of Council Officers" advises council Wardens to "maintain well the prescribed paraphernalia and prepare for your role as guide to the candidates for membership to our order."

As State Warden I feel I have successfully discharged the duties required of this honorable position. At all meetings and functions of the State Council I have handled the physical arrangements and layout of the room. I have carefully safeguarded the paraphernalia and ceremonials. These responsibilities I have taken seriously. There have also been a few of those "further duties lawfully required by the State Deputy" that I have performed gladly.

A most important function of every State Officer, as I see it, is to spread Columbianism and Catholicism by example and by action. I hope I have fulfilled this most important of duties as I have transacted the business of Warden.

This past year as State Warden has truly been a rewarding and learning experience for me. I have made many new friends, visited councils across the state, attended numerous degree exemplifications and socials, and in all of these, found the warm hospitality that is the trademark of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus.

In the absence of any specific or concrete direction as to the content of the State Warden's report, I hope this overview of my year's service will suffice.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the many who have supported me during my term as State Warden. Worthy State Deputy, my fellow State officers, and councils of the Mississippi Jurisdiction - Knights of Columbus, especially my own council 8285, and my wife Karen and my family - for all your friendship, help and support, I thank you for this opportunity to serve our great order in this most special way. There are two men who I would particularly wish to mention here today - without whose guidance and advice I would have been lost long ago - State Deputy Tom Zettler and Immediate Past State Deputy Stan Swentkowski - men who have, by their lives of Christian example and action influenced me to be a better Catholic, a better man, and a better Knight of Columbus.

**Immediate Past State Deputy
Stanley Swentkoski**

I have the privilege of addressing you for the twelfth consecutive year at the Mississippi Knights of Columbus Convention. As this is my last year as an acting state officer, I don't know if I will get the opportunity to do so again. Since there will be many who will address you on the status of the Order in regard to membership, councils, activities, etc., I decided to talk to you from a more personal, self-reflecting, and moral point of view.

Approximately two weeks ago we reflected on the greatest feast of the church, Easter. I would like to look at some of the lessons of Holy Week and how they effect us.

On Holy Thursday we celebrated the Lord's Supper. On that night, knowing that his time was near, Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist. He gave us the gift of his body and blood. How many of us receive the body and blood of Christ, believing that it is truly his body and blood? Or do we look on this great miracle as a ritual or ceremony of the church? St. Paul writes "therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and blood of the Lord." (I Cor. 11:27)

Brothers, when you receive the Eucharist, know that it is truly the body and blood of Christ. "Every time, then, you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes." (I Cor. 11:26)

On Holy Thursday we also hear about Judas Iscariot, a disciple of Jesus who had a belief in a god, not the God of Jesus, but of money. For thirty pieces of silver he sold Jesus over to death. This blood money he would never enjoy. How many people in this world today, worship money, goods, and social status at the price, of their family, religion, and self-esteem? The young and old who turn to selling drugs on the streets to achieve financial security with disregard to who they hurt. The business man who would ruin another corporation or person for financial gain. The lawyers who defend obvious criminals for personal gain with disrespect for the law that protects them. Remember brothers you can worship but one God. Everytime we read the Gospel and hear Judas' name we think of his betrayal, and he is cursed for all time. "Still, accursed be the man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. It were better for him had he never been born." (Mark 14:21)

Holy Week also teaches us about human nature, friends, and loyalty. Jesus predicted to his disciples what would happen to him. Peter told Jesus "Even though all should have their faith shaken, mine will not be." (Mark 14: 29) Yet, Jesus predicted Peter would deny him three times before the cock crows twice. As we all know Peter did deny Jesus and when he realized what he had done "He broke down and wept." (Mark 14:72).

Jesus teaches us that man no matter how great his intentions is a

weak being who needs God. Man cannot put all his faith in man. He must have God to exist. On the joyful side is that despite Peter's injustice to God he found the strength to become one of the greatest Saints of the church and the predecessor of all our Popes. Our God is a forgiving God. Peter is a great example.

Jesus again reveals man's failure and disappointment in the Garden of Gethsemane. He asked his apostles to "Sit here while I pray." (Mark 14: 32) When he returned he found them sleeping and chastised them by saying "Could you not keep watch for one hour?" (Mark 14: 37) If you put all your trust in man you will be disappointed.

The Gospel also teaches us a great lesson in the role played by Pilate in the Passion of Jesus Christ. Pilate could find no fault with Jesus. He said to the Jews "I find no guilt in him." (John 18:38) Yet Pilate fell to the pressure of the mob and popular opinion. He would rather have this Jesus who he knew was innocent die, rather than lose face with the mob. Brothers have we been "Pilates" in our lives? Have we backed off from our convictions because we were afraid to lose face or popularity? Have we joined in ethnic or religious hate, condemned people or groups because it was the popular thing to do? Do we stand up against abortion, pornography, and sinful things because it is our conviction or do we have the conviction of Pilate? In everyday language he was "gutless". Do we invite others to join the Catholic church, or are we ashamed to talk about our beliefs? Gentlemen, there are too many Pilates in the world today.

The crowds cried out to Pilate to "take him (Jesus) away, take him away: crucify him!" (John 19: 15) We would all swear that we would never say or do such a thing. But everytime we break a commandment, act sinful or deny our faith we hit the nails deeper into his hands and feet. We crucify Jesus by our behaviors, what we say and what we think. We too persecute Jesus by our actions.

Jesus while on the cross also gives us a message of reconciliation. There were two criminals hanging in crucifixion next to Jesus. One of the criminals even though close to death blasphemed Jesus and asked only for saving from his present condition. The other criminal admitted to doing wrong and deserving of his fate. He acknowledged Jesus was God by saying "Jesus, remember me when you enter upon your reign." (Luke 23: 42) Jesus answered by saying "I assure you, this day you will be with me in paradise." (Luke 24: 43) Jesus again teaches us a lesson in faith.

Forgiveness is another lesson I would like to mention. Although condemned, tortured, and put to death, Jesus uttered "Father, forgive them; they do not know what they do." (Luke 23: 34) How many of us walk around today with the burden of unforgiveness and even hate? Are we forgiving the way Jesus forgave his captors? I had the honor to be with Bishop Houck last weekend at the Diocesan Parish Council. During the prayer for the faithful we prayed not only for the victims and the families in the Oklahoma City tragedy, but also for those who committed the acts. That was a hard thing to do, but Jesus forgave those who put him to

death. How deep is our forgiveness?

The Lesson of the Resurrection is the greatest of all lessons. Jesus conquered death itself. His promise to us is of endless life and joy with him if we believe and persevere in our faith. No matter what we have done, it can be forgiven if we are indeed sorry for our sins. The Easter gift is far greater than any Christmas present you can receive in this life.

As we know following Jesus' death, the Apostles went out to spread the news of Jesus Christ to the world. They were not many in number, but they had the Holy Spirit with them and accomplished miracles. We are a small State Council, but numbers are not important. What is important is our desire to spread the news of God to others. In recruiting new Knights we may also try to recruit new Catholics or help inactive Catholics back into the Church. If you live the ideals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism you will recruit new Knights and evangelize for the church. It will be the desire to join men like yourself that will bring in new members who will stay active and work for the order. The Lord has shown us this through his apostles.

Finally, Jesus sent his apostles out to convert all people, not just Jews, but Gentiles as well. We as Knights of Columbus need to recruit all eligible Catholic gentlemen. This includes Blacks, Mexicans, Vietnamese, and all others who are entering our State. These groups desire to be accepted and can become outstanding Knights. Jesus made no exclusions to his church and we must feel the same way. The Church in this country is changing. We will see more Spanish Americans entering our church congregations as well as the priesthood. Just like the Apostles we need to include them all, for we are one body in Christ.

In the past you have heard me state that the highest honor you can pay a man is to say that he is a Catholic gentleman. Over the last two years we have had the honor to be led by a man of great faith and great convictions. He continues to be a light in a sometimes dark world. I would like all of you to show appreciation to the leadership and job done by our State Deputy, Tom Zettler.

Despite trouble and worry in the world, it is men like you and our Bishops and Priests who give me the faith and confidence to move ahead. It is because of you that I can wake each morning and say "This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it." (Psalm 118: 24)

Respectfully Submitted,

Stanley Swentkowski
Immediate Past State Deputy

**General Insurance Agent
Henry Mosco**

Reverend Bishop, State Chaplain, State Deputy, Supreme Representative, state officers, past state officers, field agents, District Deputies, state program directors, delegates, and brother Knights, it is with great pride and pleasure to report to you on the activity and results of the agency force in Mississippi for 1994.

At the start of 1994, Mississippi had 4,510 life contracts in force, we finished the year with an additional 439, which increased our total to 4,949 policies to our members and their families.

Volume in force at the start of 1994 was \$116,426,629. In 1994 our agency had a new volume of \$21,356,000, which gives Mississippi a total coverage of \$137,782,629 on our Mississippi brother Knights and their families.

Annual premium at the start of 1994 was \$1,502,535, in 1994 we added an additional new premium of \$173,037. This gives us a new total of \$1,675,572.

In 1994, our Mississippi brother Knights and families received in dividends \$368,876.

Here is our 5 year growth, in Mississippi.

Knights in Mississippi	Life Policies In Force	Volume in Force	Annual Premium Income	Annual Dividend
1994	4,949	\$137,782,629	\$1,675,572	\$368,876
1989	3,135	53,057,440	730,970	183,717
5 year growth	1,814	\$ 84,725,189	\$ 944,602	\$185,159
Percentage Growth	57.86%	159.68%	129.22%	100.78%

Thanks to all of you, for your help and support. I made a commitment to the District Deputies for this fraternal year. I made a promise to give a Knights of Columbus watch to the District Deputy with the highest percent of associate to insurance members, and the cut off date would be April 1, 1995 and taken from the membership-insurance progress report. This is my way of saying thank you for all of the work you do. Our winning District Deputy is Richard Penick with 58.82% of quota.

I have a Supreme Award to present to one of our field agents. This award is for achieving the Supreme Knight Club for the year of 1994, he finished number 65 with the Order out of 1136 field agents. He sold a volume of \$7,996,000 on 103 life applications, reaching 156% of quota, Jerry Woods!

I would like to recognize the rest of the field force, Fred Ward, Larry Campbell, Tom Rossetto, and Jim Rigby. I am proud of these men and the good job they are doing. all except one has 94% of quota or above.

I am currently looking for one or possibly two more field agents to service Mississippi. This is an excellent opportunity for the right person. If you have any prospects in mind, your help will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully Submitted,

Henry Mosco, FIC, LUTC
General Agent

Foundation of Mississippi, Inc.
Dave Atteberry, PSD
Larry Campbell

1994 Distribution of State Mentally Retarded Drive Funds in Mississippi

Organizations Receiving Donations	Program Funded Donations	Amount Donated	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	\$1,362.72	\$1,362.72
K of C Internship Case Manager Ellisville State School	Mississippi Knights of Columbus in Internship Program for Kenny Price	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
K of C Internship Case Manager Ellisville State School	Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program for Lisa Foster	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
K of C Internship Case Manager Ellisville State School	Mississippi Knights of Columbus Internship Program for Alvin Jackson	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
National Apostolate with Mental Retarded Persons	Membership to work with U.S. bishops to implement programs	\$100.00	\$100.00
Mississippi Special Olympics	Sponsor: one MS Special Olympian to participate in the 1995 World Special Olympics in New Haven, CT	\$1,500.00	\$1500.00

Total distribution to the MS mentally retarded - 1994	\$77,850.98
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Total federal and state matching funds - 1994	\$46,539.51
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Accumulated total received by the mentally retarded in MS. - 1994	\$124,390.49
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Accumulated total received by the mentally retarded in MS. to date	\$4,323,966.86
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Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Atteberry, State Chairman
Larry Campbell, State Co-chairman

1994 Mental Retardation Drive

No	Council	Gross Income Before Deductions	Net Income	Net Amount Per Member	Amount to Council for Distribution	State Distribution	Matching Funds 1994	Accumulated Total Funds Donated	Recommended Goal for 1995 MRD
802	Meridian	584.28	584.28	2.81	438.21	146.07	1314.63	1752.84	1500.00
846	Jackson	No Report							
898	Vicksburg	2574.27	1800.00	6.52	1350.00	450.00		1350.00	3000.00
1034	Hatches	398.11	363.61	1.84	272.71	90.90		272.71	1000.00
1244	Biloxi	2625.27	2021.52	5.35	1514.14	505.38	4548.42	6064.56	3000.00
1522	Bay St. Louis	No Report							
1583	Gulfport	1131.50	959.00	2.48	719.25	239.75		719.25	1500.00
1605	Pascagoula	4990.04	4224.24	15.52	3164.68	1055.56		3164.68	5500.00
1980	Hattiesburg	2626.00	2263.75	23.10	1697.81	565.84		1697.81	3200.00
2134	Greenville	1121.19	948.69	5.45	711.52	237.17		711.52	1800.00
2180	Laurel	1449.65	1331.65	12.11	998.74	332.91	6991.18	7989.92	1800.00
2945	Leland	2587.10	2000.00	29.85	1500.00	500.00	3000.00	4500.00	2200.00
2969	Clarksdale	1854.15	1854.15	6.69	1390.61	463.54		1390.61	2000.00
4472	Pear Christian	No Report							
4498	Long Beach	2600.00	2400.00	16.78	1800.00	600.00	5400.00	7200.00	3000.00
5267	Greenwood	3550.00	3270.00	43.60	2452.50	817.50	9810.00	12262.50	4000.00
5556	Cleveland	350.41	350.41	2.50	262.41	87.60	1051.24	1314.05	1000.00
5654	Ocean Springs	2326.60	2154.10	13.46	1615.58	538.52		1615.58	2800.00
6555	Shelby	1363.25	1242.84	32.71	932.13	310.71	2796.39	3726.52	1800.00
6591	Bassfield	No Report							
6765	Stackville	No Report							
6872	Pickens	5600.00	5600.00	71.79	4200.00	1400.00		4200.00	6000.00
7087	Kiln	1338.00	1200.00	20.00	900.00	300.00		900.00	1800.00
7120	Southaven	No Report							
7211	Lumberton	No Report							
7454	Clinton	803.62	728.15	15.37	544.11	182.04		544.11	1500.00
7910	Orange Grove	1172.33	999.83	12.64	749.87	249.94		749.87	1800.00
7915	Brookhaven	1703.00	1620.00	55.69	2715.00	905.00		2715.00	4000.00
7974	Columbus	No Report							
8038	Pearl	2195.32	2000.00	29.85	1500.00	500.00	3200.16	6200.23	2500.00
8054	McComb	904.69	904.69	15.91	480.02	226.67	2720.07	3626.76	1200.00
8285	St. Theresa	2110.67	1869.17	21.24	1401.88	467.29		1401.88	2500.00
8760	Holly Springs	No Report							
8848	Tupelo	17074.01	15366.26	125.95	11524.70	3841.56		11524.70	18000.00
8912	Corinth	5440.60	4381.37	146.41	3423.53	1207.84		3423.53	6000.00
9094	North Biloxi	815.36	642.95	6.70	483.21	160.74		483.21	1200.00
9124	Gautier	1156.00	1018.00	12.89	763.50	254.50		763.50	1500.00
9234	Indianola	989.79	800.04	22.86	600.03	200.01	1800.09	2400.12	1200.00
9409	West Biloxi	1909.09	1736.59	19.73	1302.44	434.15	3907.33	6643.92	2600.00
9543	Madison	No Report							
9673	Woolmarket	No Report							
9958	Lizana	No Report							
10216	Brandon	898.04	656.54	9.95	492.41	164.13		492.41	1200.00
10443	Grenada	4328.67	3811.17	118.49	2856.38	952.79		2856.38	4600.00
10499	Ocean Springs	2326.60	2154.10	31.69	1615.58	538.52		1615.58	2800.00
10901	Oxford	2208.56	2143.81	52.29	1607.86	535.95		1607.86	2800.00
	Totals for 1994	87088.17	77880.98	18.52	58388.26	19462.72	46539.61	104088.61	102200.00
	Totals for 1993	89438.99	81385.72	17.11	60364.98	20420.13	116774.80	177639.59	121700.00

Supreme Treasurer Brother Robert Wade, offered a brief overview of the happenings at the Supreme Council. He offered his thanks for the hospitality shown to him and his wife Joan during his convention stay in Jackson.

The Second Business Session was closed at 12:10 p.m. with a prayer led by Bishop William R. Houck, Bishop of Jackson.

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Third Business Session

The Third Business was opened at 2:40 p.m. by State Deputy Thomas Zettler. The opening prayer was offered by State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery.

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

**1995 State Convention Mileage and Per Diem
Jesse Quinn, III, State Treasurer**

Office	Miles	Mileage X.20	Per Diem 2X \$45	Total P.D.	Total
<u>State Officers</u>					
Fr. Kevin Slattery	165	\$33.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$123.00
Tom Zettler	93	\$18.60	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$108.60
Greg Nicolet	168	\$33.60	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$123.60
Jesse Quinn, III	96	\$19.20	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$109.20
Guy Todaro, Jr.	184	\$36.80	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$126.80
Roy Patterson	0	\$0.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Stan Swentkowski	151	\$30.20	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$120.20
Immediate Past State Deputy					
subtotal	857	\$171.40	\$630.00	\$630.00	\$801.40
<u>Past State Deputies</u>					
Mervin Lott			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Paid as Delegate					
Past State Deputy			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Wiley Price, Jr.			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Robert Fratesi			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Rodney Sandoz			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Not Present					
Jesse Quinn, Jr.			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Past State Deputy			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Norman Kiehn			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Past State Deputy			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
Fred Westbrook, Jr.			\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00
John Myers			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Paid as Delegate					
subtotal			\$540.00	\$540.00	\$540.00
<u>District Deputies</u>					
Keith Merritt	170	\$34.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$124.00
District Deputy, District 1					
District Deputy, District 2	151	\$30.20	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$120.20
Jim Glover	44	\$8.80	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$98.80
Warren Doiron	9	\$1.80	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$91.80
Low Syke	93	\$18.60	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$108.60
Paul Carpenter	81	\$16.20	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$106.20
Rick Penick	161	\$32.20	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$122.20
Richard Hoda	153	\$30.60	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$120.60
Hollis Moran	184	\$36.80	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$126.80
Ted Knowles					
District Deputy, District 9					
subtotal	1046	\$209.20	\$810.00	\$810.00	\$1,019.20

State Officers		Office	Miles	Mileage X.20	Per Diem 2X \$45	Total P.D.	Total
Name							
State Program Personnel							
Larry Campbell	State Membership Director		198	\$39.60	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$129.60
John Maloney	State Program Director		93	\$18.60	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$108.60
John Symonik	State Church Director		184	\$36.80	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$126.80
James Yaggi	State Community Director		84	\$16.80	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$106.80
Leroy Hebert	no longer state director		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
John Bennett	State Family Director		93	\$18.60	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$108.60
Charles Underwood	State Youth Director		157	\$31.40	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$121.40
subtotal			809	\$161.80	\$540.00	\$540.00	\$701.80
Council Delegates							
Council			Miles	Mileage X.20	Per Diem 2X \$45	# of delegates	Total X # del.
802			93	\$18.60	\$37.20	2	\$180.00
848			0	\$0.00	\$0.00	2	\$180.00
898			44	\$8.80	\$17.60	2	\$180.00
1034			102	\$20.40	\$40.80	2	\$180.00
1244			165	\$33.00	\$66.00	2	\$180.00
1522			172	\$34.40	\$68.80	2	\$180.00
1583			157	\$31.40	\$62.80	2	\$180.00
1605			184	\$36.80	\$73.60	2	\$180.00
1908			88	\$17.60	\$35.20	2	\$180.00
2134			115	\$23.00	\$46.00	2	\$180.00
2180			84	\$16.80	\$33.60	2	\$180.00
2945			108	\$21.60	\$43.20	2	\$180.00
2969			151	\$30.20	\$60.40	2	\$180.00
4472			168	\$33.60	\$67.20	2	\$180.00
4898			162	\$32.40	\$64.80	2	\$180.00
5267			96	\$19.20	\$38.40	2	\$180.00
5556			127	\$25.40	\$50.80	2	\$180.00
5654			169	\$33.80	\$67.60	2	\$180.00
6555			142	\$28.40	\$56.80	2	\$180.00
6592			67	\$13.40	\$26.80	2	\$180.00
6765			125	\$25.00	\$50.00	2	\$180.00
6872			148	\$29.60	\$59.20	2	\$180.00

Council	Miles Xdel.	Miles Xdel.	Mileage X.20	Mileage Xdel.	Per Diem 2X \$45	# of delegates	Total P.D. X # del.	Total
7087	161	322	\$32.20	\$64.40	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$212.20
7120	198	396	\$39.60	\$79.20	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$219.60
7211	112	224	\$22.40	\$44.80	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$202.40
7654	10	20	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$182.00
7910	157	314	\$31.40	\$62.80	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$211.40
7915	56	112	\$11.20	\$22.40	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$191.20
7974	147	294	\$29.40	\$58.80	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$209.40
8038	9	18	\$1.80	\$3.60	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$181.80
8054	81	162	\$16.20	\$32.40	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$196.20
8285	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$180.00
8760	196	392	\$39.20	\$78.40	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$219.20
8848	170	340	\$34.00	\$68.00	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$214.00
8912	218	436	\$43.60	\$87.20	\$90.00	1	\$90.00	\$133.60
9094	161	322	\$32.20	\$64.40	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$212.20
9124	180	360	\$36.00	\$72.00	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$216.00
9234	102	204	\$20.40	\$40.80	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$200.40
9409	165	330	\$33.00	\$66.00	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$213.00
9543	6	12	\$1.20	\$2.40	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$181.20
9673	163	326	\$32.60	\$65.20	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$212.60
9958	153	306	\$30.60	\$61.20	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$210.60
10216	9	18	\$1.80	\$3.60	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$181.80
10443	113	226	\$22.60	\$45.20	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$202.60
10499	169	338	\$33.80	\$67.60	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$213.80
10910	165	330	\$33.00	\$66.00	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$213.00
11541	157	314	\$31.40	\$62.80	\$90.00	2	\$180.00	\$211.40
subtotal	5725	2985	\$1,145.00	\$2,246.40		93	\$8,370.00	\$9,515.00
Grand Totals		2985		\$2,246.40		93	\$10,890.00	\$13,136.40
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Prepared by: Jesse J. "Bubba" Quinn III - State Treasurer

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Audit Committee
Brad Burden, Chairman

Brother Knights:

The Knights of Columbus Audit Committee met and reviewed the report of State Treasurer Jesse Quinn III, which covers the period of April 1, 1994 through March 31, 1995.

This review consisted primarily 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. A financial audit of state council books is now being prepared annually by an independent CPA firm. However their audit covers a period ending June 30th and does cover any review of records in the nine month interim between the year end and the state convention. Therefore an independent financial audit has not been performed on those transactions occurring between July 1, 1994 and March 31, 1995. An audit including that time period through June 30, 1995 will be provided to the state council at next year's state convention.

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 did find the following immaterial problem:

Magnolia Knight expenses involving equipment rental occurring prior to July 1, 1994 were classified under executive secretary expense. These expenses should have been charged to the Magnolia Knight. This has been corrected on the state treasurer's report.

Also as part of our examination of state council financial records, we reviewed the audit report prepared by an independent CPA firm covering the period July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994. It should be noted that the audit prepared by the CPA firm is a financial audit and does not cover the compliance of financial transactions with the by-laws of our order which is the duty of the audit committee. During our examination we discovered a discrepancy for which we asked the state treasurer to provide additional documentation. The documents given to us by the state treasurer disclosed a couple of additional problems. Descriptions of these problems are as follows:

1) A difference existed between the ending cash balance of the previous treasurer's books and the beginning cash balance of the current treasurer's books. It was claimed that this difference was due to expenses paid after July 1, 1993, by the prior state treasurer, however proper documentation of these expenses has not been provided by the prior state treasurer. We believe that once a treasurer's term in office is completed he no longer has the ability to pay expenses. These expenses should be forwarded to and paid by the new treasurer. In addition documentation should be provided to and maintained by the state treasurer for all expenses.

2) An amended IRS form 990EZ for the year ended June 30, 1993 was prepared by someone other than the state treasurer without his knowledge. This amendment contained corrections based on events occurring after June 30, 1993. Since the state council's books are kept on the cash basis any event occurring after June 30th must be reflected on next year's books. The corrections that were made resulted in the amendment being in error. The IRS Form 990EZ filed for the year ended June 30, 1994 contains the corrections as is appropriate. We believe that the original IRS Form 990EZ for the year ended June 30, 1993 was correct and the state treasurer should amend the return back to its original amounts and in the future we would recommend that all tax forms including amendments be prepared by the state treasurer or his designee.

3) The state council account of the prior state treasurer was not closed until 9/28/93 and the remaining funds were not turned over to the current state treasurer until December 1993.

The outgoing state treasurer should be able to turn over virtually all unobligated funds in his possession within the week following June 30th and beginning July 1st should forward any additional deposits or claims received by him to the new treasurer.

4) Except for those of the current state treasurer, financial records for the five years prior to July 1, 1994 were not in a location that was readily accessible to the audit committee, state treasurer or other interested parties. Recommend State Deputy maintain these financial records. This problem was reported by the audit committee at last year's convention.

Based on our review of the independent CPA audit report we recommend that the state council accept their audit report as presented.

In summary, our review of both of these reports did not reveal any significant problems with the current financial records of the state council nor direct evidence of any misuse of state council funds but did reveal some problems mainly in the transition of records and duties between state treasurers.

Respectfully submitted,

Knights of Columbus Audit Committee

Michael Liberto	David DiLorenzo
Larry Tabor	Brad Burden, CPA
Bill Kordik	Julius Broussard

Vocations
Julius D. Broussard, Chairman

Jesus said, 'Anything you ask the Father in my name He will give it to you'. He was so sure of this that He added, "Pray as if you already have it.'

Pray in confidence and in thanksgiving because He will surely hear your plea.

If that doesn't seem to help, the Knights of Columbus have the most powerful weapon in the world today, The Rosary. Let's ask His mother to talk to Him, Jesus will not refuse His mother anything.

While Jesus and Mary love to hear from us, and will surely answer our prayers, He is dependent on us to help with His salvation history, He wants us to be a part of it.

Unless vocations are evident, how can we inspire our youth, or anyone else, in this matter.

We must make vocations visible, avail ourselves of the material Supreme has on vocations, hang the posters in schools, youth halls, churches, or anywhere they are visible, be sure the pamphlets are available to the youth to see and read, make them a part of C.C.D. and other youth activities. Bumper stickers and small envelope stickers are available and kids love these to stick on their books, etc., vocation book marks and vocation prayer cards are also available.

Get the adults interested, how can you interest the youth if the adults aren't interested or concerned enough to even speak of vocations.

In this world of "Laisser Faire" someone has to be involved or this too will pass away. Each Council should have a vocations chairman that wants to be involved and is serious about his faith. He must be concerned enough to want to do something, one who knows that he can make a difference, maybe not today, but sometime down the line, what you say and do on this matter now will hit home.

When your council has done all of this, go back to phase one, Pray, pray, pray, nag, nag, nag, if we never give up, God will know we are sincere and serious about our intentions ---- and He will grant them.

While we need our youth to consider vocations, we also need our priests, and seminarians, nuns and all others who are involved in the religious life of the church, encourage them, inspire them and love them.

Do you invite your religious, your parish priest, to your open meetings? Do you stop by the rectory or convent and see if you can be of some service? A religious life can be a lonesome life.

Do you invite them and welcome them to be a part of your family?
They are.

Our young people see the way we treat our religious, and our
actions are an influence one way or the other.

To the councils that support seminarians, individually, you are
to be complimented, above all else this is a very noble project,
and to all the councils that contribute so generously to the
Priest Education Fund, MANY THANKS!!!!!!

MAY GOD BLESS YOU in all your endeavors.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julius D. Broussard
Vocations Chairman

Ceremonials
Wiley Price, PSD, Chairman

As State Ceremonial Chairman, I am privileged to report the
Ceremonial Activities within the state for the 1994-1995
fraternal year.

Four 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications were scheduled for the
first half of the fraternal year. Three were performed and one
was cancel. Four 2nd and 3rd degree were scheduled for the
second half of the fraternal year but only two were performed as
of this time. Two more degrees are scheduled for the rest of the
fraternal year. One to be held in Lizana on May 21, 1995 and the
other in Meridian on June 4, 1995.

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
and one was cancel. The report gave us credit for twenty 1st
degree but twenty one were performed. For the second half of the
fraternal year the Status Report shows that three 2nd and 3rd
degree were scheduled but we have four degrees scheduled and the
report gave us credit for one. Twelve 1st degree were performed
in the state and the report gave us credit for eleven. Two 2nd
and 3rd have been performed.

For the state to receive credit for exemplification performed in
its jurisdiction, the proper 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 team 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 present 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 Degree Exemplification two more degree team are required, one in the central part and one in the southern part of the state.

The Supreme Office does not want the jurisdiction to bring an out of state degree team to performed the degree exemplification. They want the state to use their on degree team. The reason is that the Supreme Ceremonial Director wants to attend the degree work been performed in the state so he can critique the degree team. He has already been to the state two time and wanted to attend another time but the degree was cancel.

This fraternal year a new systems was tried and it seemed to work very satisfaction. Instead of one council bearing the expense of bringing the northern degree team to the southern part of the state and the southern team to the northern part, the expense were covered by a District. All Councils in the District that is hosting the degree are to share the expense. This has work in some District but not in other. I have receive reports that some Councils did not want to participate in the expense of bringing our degree team to perform the degree work. Lets all of us work together to make our state more acceptable to Supreme next fraternal year.

Members of the Meridian Council were practicing for the 2nd degree and was very close to achieving their goal but came to a stand still. I am in hope that the practice will start at a later date.

More 1st degree teams should be formed in the jurisdiction. I know that small councils might have difficulty in forming a degree team, but the only way is to try. One way to achieve this is by having new and younger members form a 1st degree team. By them taking part in the degree team will keep them in the Knights of Columbus, an a good possibility they will bring their friends into the Council.

At the beginning of the fraternal year our Jurisdiction had only C.O. to work with our degree team. Another knight was certified in the 1st half of the fraternal year, giving us three C.O. to work our degree team.

The dress code for 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree adopted at the the 1985 convention have improve a little. 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 perform. The dress code is to preserve the dignity of the ceremony. This pertain not only to new members receiving their degree but also the degree team and members attending the degree.

A couple of problem have develop this fraternal year on the time

the degree work was to be held. Some Council and the degree team didn't have this information and neither did I. All Councils should have this information and also the Ceremonial Chairman so that he can notify the degree team as to the time the degrees will take place.

Respectfully submitted,

Wiley Price Jr. PSD
State Ceremonial Chairman

Ceremonials Committee
Wiley Price, PSD, Chairman

The 1995 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. The dress code adopted at the 1985 convention is dress pants, dress shirt, and dress shoes with coats and tie optional, for all degrees been being performed in the Jurisdiction.
4. 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 local council or visiting another council for degree work being performed.
5. That all degrees, 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees teams should have replacement personnel available in case the regular team member can't perform his duty for any reason.
6. That all District Deputies submit Form #450 "District Deputy Report" to the Supreme Office with copies to the State Deputy and State Ceremonial Chairman.
7. That all District Deputies submit form 2408 "District Deputies Ceremonial Report", to the Supreme Director of Ceremonials with a copies to the State Deputy and State Ceremonial Chairman.
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 councils don't lose the members.

11. That all members refrain for talking to the members of the degree team when attending the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications. Let the Degree team 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 northern and one in the central part of the state.

13. That Councils or District that agree to sponsor a 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications notify all councils, State Deputy and State Ceremonial Chairman as to the date, time and what degree will be performed.

14. That the Membership Chairman, State Deputy and Ceremonial Chairman get together when scheduling 2nd and 3rd degrees.

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 and time.

16. That members that are attending 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications does not talk to members that are receiving their degree. Let them receive the full benefit of the degree been performed.

17. That 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications be hosted by District instead of a Council. This is so that all Councils in the District that is hosting the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications can share the expense of bring the northern team to the southern part and the southern team to the northern part of the state.

18. If at all possible the District that is hosting the 2nd and 3rd Degree Exemplifications should not scheduled a 1st degree the same day.

Respectfully submitted,

Wiley Price, Jr., PSD, Chairman
Ivan Lambert 848
Terry Hurst 1583
Joseph Goellner 1908
Kevin Vanderlip 5267

Lew D'Andrea 5654
Cecila John 8916
Don Cox 1608
Bernard Frederic 1608
Felix Osuji 8760

Good of the Order Committee
Roy Patterson, State Warden

The "Good of the Order" Committee met in Hampshire Hall #1 with the following men attending:

Roy Patterson, Chairman	Wade Ditcharo	Council 7915
Tom Chady Council 898	George Roberts	Council 10499
Theo Morel Council 1522	Warren Reso	Council 4472
Emil Vial Council 6872		

Issues Discussed were:

(1) Notification of Death of 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 meeting. 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 or 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.

Submitted by

Roy Patterson, Committee Chairman

Convention Committee
Marvin Lott, PSD, Chairman

The State Convention Committee met in room 1510 at 1:00 p.m. The following Brothers were in attendance: Fred Roquemore, Council 7854; James Leatherwood, Council 8912; Bruce Pabon, Council

10499; William Reynolds, Council 10901.

The following recommendations were made by the 1995 State Convention Committee.

1. Different color badges for delegates from members badges.
2. Keep registration fees the same.
3. Provide convention package at the Mid-Winter meeting to save postage. We as a committee ask the same recommendation be followed for 1996.

A letter was received from Vicksburg Council 898, asking to host the 1999 State Convention. This was the only Council to submit a bid for 1999. This decision is to be made by the 1995 delegates when Worthy State Deputy Tom Zettler addresses new business.

We as committee members recommend that a sample State Convention Agenda of 1996 be mailed out to the Council Grand Knights, and committee assignments be mailed out by April 1, 1996. 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 one copy 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 Jackson a pleasant one.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin L. Lott PSD
State Convention Committee Chairman

Financial Secretaries

We were led in the opening prayer by Past State Deputy Fratesi Financial Secretary of Greenville Council No. 2134.

There were 13 financial secretaries in attendance along with General Agent Henry Mosco.

The first item on the agenda was the showing of the video film "These Men Called Knights." Following the showing of this film it was the consensus of those attending that all councils should avail themselves of the video film "Your Financial Secretary - The Answer Man." This should be shown to the members periodically so that they come to realize how important the financial secretary is to the council.

Gordon Cowie, Financial Secretary of Council 8038, Jackson, gave

an overview on the recent changes in the new Supreme Council Statement. Everyone acknowledged that the new form is a big improvement over the old monthly statement.

There was a briefing by George Souderes on the forthcoming software from Supreme relative to the procedures that are now ordinarily being done manually. He told those attending that he now had a program of his own that he uses, but Supreme's appears to be much better and will be a big help to those who decide to use it. Supreme Treasurer Wade indicated that the new program will be available around the middle of May or thereabouts. A show of hands revealed that approximately one half of those present had computers of their own.

The subject of compensating financial secretaries in some manner for travel in connection with attendance at state conventions was brought up again. Apparently there has been no progress made, in regard to a resolution on this subject previously submitted. After some discussion as to possible solutions to this problem it was decided to recommend to the incoming state deputy that some plan for a form of subsidy should be considered for discussion at the forthcoming Mid-Winter Meeting in December. This would serve as an incentive for more financial secretaries to attend the state conventions. An amount of \$50.00 was considered a reasonable starting point. If nothing develops, it was the consensus that another resolution should be presented at the next state convention.

The subject of suspension notices and how to handle them was discussed. Most of those attending thought this procedure was impractical and failed to achieve the desired results.

The time allotted for this meeting was much too little just as it was in the past. This complaint has come up for several years and it needs to be addressed. It was suggested by several that some form of orientation should be available to new financial secretaries. It was acknowledged that Supreme's Financial Secretary Handbook is an excellent tool but a meeting at the district level in which its contents could be discussed would be very helpful to the newcomer.

An exchange of experiences encountered by some of the financial secretaries revealed that some councils are using them as "gofers" instead of delegating tasks to the proper committees or officers. This appeared to be especially true in the area of suspensions.

From the discussions at this meeting it was obvious that the financial secretary's importance to the council is not being given the high marks this office deserves.

There were several questions directed to General Agent Mosco who was very helpful in answering them to everyone's satisfaction.

It was worthy of note that of those attending there were 4 members that have served 8 months or less. This fact illustrates the need of some form of incentive to encourage the newcomers to

attend our state conventions.

The meeting ran overtime and was adjourned with a prayer at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Kajdan, F.S. 848

Attending:

Gordon Cowie, Chairman, 8038
Bernard Frederic 1605
Ralph Howard 8760
Stephen Farry 9409
George F. Souderes, Jr. 1034
Michael Bucciantini 1908
Robert Fratesi PSD 2134

Mike Robinson 2969
Harry Creagan 8054
Carl Bourgeois 1522
Fritz G. Oberlies 11541
Richard Moran 1583
Henry Mosco GA 5556

Retention
Fred Ward, Chairman

During the year I have tried to convey information to the various councils concerning the retention of members. Some of the ideas may have worked, some may not have, but at least there was the effort and the information was available.

As has been stated during the year - retention begins with the proposer, who should make sure that the proposed member is at his First Degree and that the new member goes on through the Second and Third. The proposer should be present at the First Degree, and present at the Second and Third Degrees as well.

The proposer should be the one member who introduces the new member to the council and sees that he is actively involved on a committee. The proposer is the new members mentor and also should be the one to make sure that he is at the meetings, if the member is not there he should be the one to call and find out why.

That is why I say that retention begins with the proposer. I want to say thanks to the State Deputy for the honor of serving in this capacity as the Retention Chairman.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fred Ward

New Council Development
Joseph F. Bonfiglio, Co-Chairman

With great pleasure and satisfaction I am able to submit a positive report, the contents of which reports the culmination of many month's efforts to initiate a new Council in the Mississippi Jurisdiction. I refer to the Gulfport St. James Council which Supreme has designated as Council No. 11541. Now all that remains at this writing, the actual installation, which hopefully, I can attend.

At this time I would like to commend Brother Knight Hollis Moran, District Deputy # 8, for his efforts and ability in organizing the new council. His direction showed that he had spent many hours planning the important move and it all turned out like clock work. Brother Moran was ably assisted by Brothers Fritz Oberlies and Chris Carrubba, and in a small way, by "Yours truly." Each of us took turns in answering the many comments and questions posed by those who were to form the new council, the greatest majority of them being members of Bishop Gunn Council 1583, Gulfport, Mississippi who would transfer their membership in order to form the Council in St. James Parish.

Those of us who took part in the preliminary plans fully realize the important contribution of Council 1583. They, in true fraternal form and eager to aid in extending our Order in other areas where it can best serve the Catholic families, demonstrated the spirit of our Order by cooperating in every way, even though the Council would be transferring many of their members in order to form Council No. 11541. Please note that I did not use the expression "losing many members" for as a Mother Council of Council No. 11541 it can point with true Catholic Christian pride that it did what as few other Councils can do --- that of being a Mother Council of another. I certainly hope other large Councils will be able to emulate what Council 1583 did and help spread Columbianism throughout our Jurisdiction. So, I say, thanks Council 1583, and I'm certain all of us gathered here today are deeply grateful for your unselfish cooperation.

There are a few areas, at this time, which are clamoring for a Council, however, for the sake of brevity I will mention only two. Magee, Mississippi, where Fr. Bob Goodyear is pastor of St. Stephen Parish, where a group of us headed by our State Deputy, Thomas Zettler, visited with Fr. Goodyear who expressed his interest in forming a Council in his Parish. Next, there is a great desire in initiating a Council in Wiggins, Mississippi, where Fr. Patrick J. Mockler is pastor. He, too expressed a desire to our Field Agent, Brother Jim Rigby, who will try to set a date with Fr. Mockler for such a possibility. More about this later.

We all now have the necessary momentum punctuated by true Columbianism to keep the proverbial "ball rolling" so that the message of our Order, and its objectives, can be extended throughout our State, and it can be, provided we carry on with prayer, missionary zeal and dedication.

In conclusion I wish to thank our Worthy State Deputy, Thomas R. Zettler, for having afforded me the distinct honor and privilege to have served as Co-Chairman of New Council Development for the past two years. I know I voice the opinion of all of us here when I say that I ask God's blessings for him in every future undertaking he might assume. His inspiring leadership served me well.

VIVAT JESUS!

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. Bonfiglio Co-Chairman - NCD

Pro-Life
Antione Otto
Jim Glover

Again it is an honor for me to be able to stand before you as a committee chairman of the State Council. I want to bring before you what we have done and what we are doing in pro-life.

As you have heard Councils are active in pro-life activities, dedicating monuments to the unborn, chapels to the unborn, crosses to the unborn, pro-life billboards, prayer rallies, donations of time and money to pregnancy crisis centers, pro-life programs in their parishes, and in their councils. Unknown to many of us is the situation where Brother Knights and their families help with a crisis pregnancy of a young woman they know. If you ever have the opportunity to help, please do so. I don't need to tell you how rewarding this is. I was privileged to help. The granddaughter of a Brother Knight told me of one of her friends was pregnant and her parents wanted an abortion. By working with the granddaughter she was able to change the parents mind. They all now have a baby they dearly love. If you do a favor for Jesus, he will return it in his own special way.

Brother Jim Glover and I have pro-life material on the tables in the hall. Feel free to take some. I have precious feet, roses for life and bumper stickers for sale. I pay for these myself. I give some away so I don't make anything. I have a new bumper sticker I got from New Orleans.

In our pro-life meeting we met in the Starkville Room, and we made up an agenda and planned a direction to accomplished three items. A resolution to promote the sale of roses for a pro-life fundraiser for Pregnancy Crisis Centers. We will pursue that item. We want to lend support to the Dioceses, toward a state wide pro-life program. The third item needs more discussion at this time to consider pursuing.

The handout you have has a number of different issues. You may

recall our Worthy Supreme Treasurer, Robert Wade spoke on a number of issues. Issues, there are dozens of issues. It is difficult to determine where one issue stops and another one starts. Let's go through these sheets.

1. Operation Rescue. A nonviolent, Christian oriented ministry.
2. EWTN National Pro-life Television series promoted by American Life League.
3. Facts In Brief on abortion statistics.
4. Homosexual employee group by American Life League
5. Suing AFA an option.
6. Fact sheet on Henry Foster, M.D. Surgeon General nominee
7. American Life League fights Disney's Priest
8. Antonini ousted as Chairman
9. Journal report on boycott of major chain store.
10. National Institute of Health sells human embryo research.

Respectfully submitted
Antoine Otto
Jim Glover

Public Relations Committee
Scott Dibbs, Chairman

Over 100 years ago, Father Michael J. McGivney, while sitting in his parish probably wondered what would become of the organization that he had started. Wouldn't he be proud of our accomplishments. While we have accomplished so much, we still have along way to go. Many times our communities do not have any idea of who we are and what were about.

How do we accomplish any improvement in this situation? We need to show our pride in ourselves. We must advertise what we do and what we are about. We should wear our shirts, our hats, our pins and our coats. When the opportunity arises, put out our emblem at the events we sponsor. If we can generate interest in what we do and who we are, then our recruitment problems would be over.

How else can we generate enthusiasm? We need to get involved in worthwhile events and publicize them. Whether it's Habitat for Humanity, Special Olympics or something as simple as grounds keeping at your parish. Get your parish members involved. Many people want to get involved but have yet to be asked. How often do we hear that phrase when asking why a new knight hasn't joined before.

Use your Knight of the Month and Family of the Month Programs. Remember that the Family of the Month does not have to be the family of a knight. Use this as a potential recruiting tool. We must always strive to begin the roots of Columbianism in our children. Start a squire circle. Get involved with the CYO of your parish. These young people are the future and hope of our organization.

Remember the key: Publicize, Publicize, Publicize. Use your newsletters. Send them to the other councils, and perhaps one of your ideas will spark an interest in another council. Use the Mississippi Today, the Magnolia Knight and the Gulf Pine Catholic. If you have an event, publicize it. Put up bill boards at the ball park. By letting people know who we are and what we do, we help to fulfill the dreams and visions of our founder, Father McGivney. Let's keep the dream alive.

Respectfully Submitted:
Scott E. Dibbs
Public Relation Chairman

Committee Members:
Jerry Smith
Walter Langston
Elbert Cuevas
John Ward
David Longo
Scott Higginbotham
Frank Whitehead

Program
John H. Maloney, Director

For the past two years 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 1993. By the end of the 1994/95 competitive year the new program has proven to be more fair to all competitors. Competition for the Supreme Awards has more than doubled, tripled and quadrupled over last years submissions. It is my hope that the program will continue for future years. I was invited to and attended three District Meetings this year to encourage and help Councils to understand the program and encourage greater participation. It is rewarding to me to see so many councils compete for the Supreme Awards.

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. The following awards were presented Friday, April 28, 1995:

HONOR COUNCILS

Council No.	Council Name	Council City
1034	Bishop R.O. Gerow	Natchez
1244	Biloxi	Biloxi
1583	Bishop Gunn	Gulfport
1605	Msgr. P.J. Carey	Pascagoula
2134	Fr. Korstenbroek	Greenville
2180	Laurel	Laurel
2945	C.G. Shapley	Leland
5556	Fr. Rotondo	Cleveland
7915	Brookhaven	Brookhaven
8038	St. Jude Centennial	Pearl
9543	St. Francis of Assisi	Madison

DISTINGUISHED COUNCILS

Council No.	Council Name	Council City
802	Msgr. John J. Burns	Meridian
898	Vicksburg	Vicksburg
1908	Bishop Fahey	Hattiesburg
5267	Msgr. John F. Clerico	Greenwood
6872	Oscar J. Gelpi	Picayune
7120	Hernando Desoto	Southaven
7910	Fr. Harry Wade	Orange Grove
8285	St. Therese	Jackson
10443	Fr. Clifford Meador	Grenada
10499	Msgr. Gregory Kennedy	Ocean Springs
10901	St. John's	Oxford

BEST VOCATION PROJECT AWARDS

Jackson Diocese: Council # 8848 Tupelo
 Biloxi Diocese: Council # 2180 Laurel

MENTAL RETARDATION DRIVE AWARDS

Highest Council Donation: Council # 8848
 Highest Donation Per Member: Council # 8912

MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

	Highest Percent Gain	Highest Net Gain
Small	10901 Oxford	10901 Oxford
Medium	7910 Orange Grove	7910 Orange Grove
Large	1908 Hattiesburg	1908 Hattiesburg
X-Large	898 Vicksburg	898 Vicksburg

TOP GUN COUNCILS

Council #	898, Vicksburg
Council #	1908, Hattiesburg
Council #	6872, Picayune
Council #	7120, Southaven
Council #	7910, Orange Grove
Council #	9234, Indianola
Council #	10901, Oxford

The following awards were presented Saturday, 29 April 1994:

BEST NEWS LETTER AWARDS
Council # 898 Vicksburg
Council # 1583 Gulfport
Council # 8848 Tupelo

TOP PROPOSER OF YEAR AWARD
Thomas F. Chady, Vicksburg

SUPREME COUNCIL SERVICE ACTIVITY AWARDS
Best Church Activity: Council # 6592 Bassfield
Best Council Activity: Council # 1583 Gulfport
Best Community Activity: Council # 1583 Gulfport
Best Family Activity: Council # 898 Vicksburg
Best Youth Activity: Council # 1583 Gulfport

PRIEST EDUCATION AWARDS
Highest Council Donation: 4898 Long Beach
Highest Donation Per Member:

BEST COUNCIL AWARDS
Best Small Council: Council 10901, Oxford
Best Medium Council: Council 5267, Greenwood
Best Large Council: Council 8285, St. Therese
Best X-Large Council: Council 898, Vicksburg

FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD
The Paul Cartman Jr. Family

FRED L. WESTBROOK, KNIGHT OF THE YEAR AWARD
Julius D. Broussard

DISTRICT DEPUTY AWARD
Ted V. Knowles
Paul Carpenter

PAST STATE DEPUTIES AWARD
Vicksburg Council 898

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 these past two years and look forward to serve the State Council where ever I am needed in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

John J. Maloney Program Director

Church Activities
John F. Szymonik, Director

The following is a report on Church Activities for the fraternal year 1994-1995.

Fifteen (15) Councils have reported to this committee on their Church Activities indicating a low profile church activities year.

Active participation in the mandatory service programs was reported as follows:

Nine (9) Councils reported MONETARY/MATERIAL SUPPORT OF PASTOR.
Six (6) sponsored A MARION HOUR OF PRAYER.
Five (5) conducted a PROGRAM TO HONOR THE CLERGY.
Six (6) conducted A VOCATIONS PROGRAM.
Three (3) held MONTHLY CORPORATE COMMUNION.

The following councils have submitted reports on their activities:

District One: None
District Two: 5267 Greenwood; 5556 Cleveland and 10443 Grenada.
District Three: 898 Vicksburg; 2134 Greenville and 2945 Leland.
District Four: 8285 Jackson.
District Five: 802 Meridian; 6765 Starkville and 2180 Laurel.
District Six: 1034 Natchez; 7915 Brookhaven and 6592 Bassfield.
District Seven: None
District Eight: None
District Nine: 1244 Biloxi and 10499 Ocean Springs.

These Council efforts and their timely reporting are to be commended. They have once again enabled the individual brother knight in their council to set constant and worthy examples as an ideal Catholic to his family, his community and his fellow members.

Once again reports indicate a lack of interest in the participation in the recitation of the rosary since only five (5) councils indicated active participation.

Special recognition to Vicksburg Council 898 for their clear and informative report and to Leland Council 2945 in their continuing efforts to promote the "Keep Christ in Christmas programs.

The Church Activities committee expresses its appreciation to 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

Church Activities Committee
John F. Szymonik, Chairman

The church Activities Committee met in room 228 at 1:30 p.m.

The following Brothers were in attendance: Darren Cowart, Council 1034, Daniel Butler, Council 9409, Hubert Byrd, Council 7211.

After some discussion, the following observations; recommendations were made.

1. Rosary Prayer. Pastor informed one Brother Knight that Rosary was a private prayer as opposed to group prayer.
2. Stay active and report everything you do.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Szymonik, Chairman

Holy Family Hour of Prayer Program
John F. Szymonik, Chairman

To date the Knights of Columbus Supreme office has sponsored eight (8) Prayer programs as follows:

1979 - 1980	Our Lady of Guadalupe
1981 - 1982	Immaculate Conception
1984 - 1985	Our Lady of Perpetual Help
1986 - 1987	Our Lady of Czestochowa
1988 - 1989	Our Lady of Pochaiv
1990 - 1991	Our Lady of the Assumption
1991 - 1992	Quincentenary Cross of Evangelization
1993 - 1994	Holy Family Hour of Prayer

Taking note of the fact that the United Nations has designated 1994 as "The Year of the Family", the Holy Father has urged all to look to the Holy Family as the model of family life and pray to Jesus, Mary and Joseph for the renewal of family life everywhere.

This prompted Supreme to sponsor a new round of pilgrimages from council to council during 1993-1994. The prayer service included scripture readings, meditations and praying of the Rosary with the intention for Family life. A framed portrait of the Holy Family traveled from council to council within our jurisdiction and was used as the centerpiece for the prayer program. The Holy Family portrait was a reproduction of 17th century Spanish painter Esteban Murielo's Holy Family.

Our worthy State Deputy Tom Zettler inaugurated this program at his home Council 802 in Meridian on 9 October 1993. The Pilgrim picture then moved from council to council and the final service was held at council 1605 at Pascagoula on 6 September 1994.

A total of forty-five (45) prayer programs were conducted in our jurisdiction and the total number of participants was estimated at 1409. The reason for the estimated count is the fact that the log book and all the participation booklets were lost somewhere on the Gulf Coast. The estimate was arrived at by taking an average of attendance at previous programs conducted since inception in 1979-1980.

My sincerest thanks to Council 10499 Ocean Springs for printing duplicate copies of the participation booklets for the successful completion of the program.

The final report on this program for this jurisdiction was submitted to Supreme on 15 September 1994.

VIVAT JESUS

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN F. SZYMONIK - Chairman

Community
Jim Yaggi, Director

This past year has been a very rewarding one for many councils throughout our state.

We have seen tragedy strike from tornadoes, flash floods, plane crashes, and automobile accidents, and everywhere these tragedies have happened, members of the Knights of Columbus have been there to assist and help the victims.

The first principle of our order, charity, is probably the most important of all. If you think about where our founder, Father McGivney, came up with the principles of our order, think about what we are taught in the bible, and what Jesus taught us about totally giving of ones self to help another. Yes, we were taught the lesson of charity before we became Knights of Columbus, but being a Knight of Columbus can strengthen our will to do those things for others as a group of Catholic men joined together for that special purpose in life, to help others when needed.

At an installation of council officers this past year, a young priest said mass in honor of this special occasion. The young priest's sermon had nothing but love and praise for our founder and the Knights of Columbus. He told how if it were not for the Knights of Columbus, and their financial help and support, he may never have become a priest. He told about how the Knights of Columbus have helped the widows of Knights, assisted young men and women continue their education, how they have donated millions of dollars and man hours to help the handicapped, the sick, abused and battered women and children, assisted the pope

on his journeys world wide. He also told how proud he was to be a member of this organization called the Knights of Columbus. I wish each and every one of you could have been there that night to listen to him. It was as if Father McGivney himself was standing there speaking to us, reminding us of how important it is to be not just a Knight of Columbus, but how important it is to be Catholic, for that is what binds us together is our faith and love for our Father in heaven.

The charitable work and donations we in the state of Mississippi have made this year are too many to be named on paper. We know what we have done, and we know what still needs to be accomplished in our organization in charitable works and deeds. Let us continue to do our duty not just as knights, but as our faith has taught us, to be the Catholic gentlemen we truly are.

May god continue to bless each and everyone of you and your families.

Vivat Jesus

Jim Yaggi
State Community Director

Community Committee
Jim Yaggi, Chairman

Your excellencies, Bishop Houck, Bishop Howse, Worthy State Chaplin Fr. Kevin, reverend priests, Worthy Supreme Representative, worthy officers, my brother Knights:

At 1:00 p.m. the community director and his committee met in room 616 and proposed the following suggestions for the next fraternal year:

1. Continued support of abuse shelters within our state.
2. Involvement in our local schools for the school staffs encouragement for better moral standards. Support your superintendent of education, your principals, teachers and other members of your school system in this effort. However, if they do not teach what you think is morally right, or do not set the example you feel is appropriate, let them know you disapprove.
3. Help single parents with problems within your community with professional help when needed if they cannot afford help, provide a means of funding it for them. On the same token, if a married couple is seeking help with problems and cannot afford it help them as well.
4. The most important thing we can do as Knights of Columbus is to be that role model for everyone to see.

Council Activity Committee
John Maloney, Chairman

Meeting opened with prayer at 1325 PM.

Present were:

John J. Maloney, Chairman
Michael Craft Council 1583
Richard Finimore Council 2969
Dennis Dunn Council 8054

Council mandatory activities were discussed and it was recommended that # 3 be changed to include a bowling team. # 3 mandatory to read as follows:

Sponsor a baseball/softball/bowling team (K of C members)

Participation of KC members was discussed and the following recommendation is submitted. Grand Knights are encouraged to select chairman for the program committee and also assign each and every member of the council to one of the program areas. Members may volunteer for different activities, however every member should be assigned to assist in one of the five program areas.

Respectfully submitted,

John Maloney

Family Life
John L. Bennett, Director

First of all I want to thank Tom Zettler our Worthy State Deputy, and John Maloney, our State Program Director, for their personal promotion and support of Supreme's Family of the month program in my six years as your State Family Director this has been the most productive in quality and sheer numbers of participants I have ever witnessed. More than half of our Councils have submitted to Supreme the name of a family that exemplifies the values that we stand for. I have been fortunate to have viewed the programs that the reporting councils have utilized to promote family and family values.

We have councils like Meridian, Biloxi, Gulfport, Laurel, Ocean Springs, Picayune, Orange Grove, Oxford, that participated in the Family of the Month every month and 22 other Councils that participated in various degrees, they at least participated. Sixteen (16) Councils elected to do nothing.

I noticed that many of the older Councils are pretty steady in their overall participation. It is a pure joy to see the "younger Councils" getting their licks in. Young Councils like Oxford 10901. Their just a bunch of kids. They do have a good friend, an energetic priest that helps guide and motivates them. Our own

Father Kevin Slattery. In solidarity with our priest. They are part of our family.

Thank you gentleman for your participation and support. Please continue supporting the family values that our Knights of Columbus promotes.

Respectfully submitted
John L. Bennett
State Family Director

Family Life Committee
John L. Bennett, Chairman

The meeting opened at 1300 with a prayer.

The meeting was attended by:
Robert Hartman 9124 (for John Marks)
Art Hermsdofer 7120
Ben Dilozenzo 4898
Aaron Achord 7915

1. Pro Life billboards should be utilized for Pro Life programs.
2. Discussed number of business meetings per month.
3. Discussed guidelines for Family of Month. Should be accessible to non-members of Knights of Columbus, ie church. Should be noted in program.
4. Utilize and publicize Knights of Columbus good in the media, ie, newspaper and radio when possible
5. Utilize Supreme for tapes and other audio and video to promote family values (KnightLine good source of information)

Meeting adjourned at 1400.

Chaired and submitted
John L. Bennett
Family Director

Youth Committee
Charlie Underwood, Director

The Youth Committee met at 1:00 in room 616. The following were present:

Albert Rocconi	Cleveland
Francis Moran	Lizana
Carey Cox	Starkville
Bill Garner	McComb
Charlie Underwood, Director	Gulfport

Discussed Free Throw Contest. Council level to state level with trophies. Need to keep.

Discussed having a three point shooting contest on the same day as the Free Throw Contest.

Noted that some councils had problems getting gym or other location to have contest without insurance coverage.

Suggestions:

1. Waiver for each child stating that he/she has insurance coverage.
2. Suggest to Supreme of having insurance on the designated week as with the Tootsie Roll Drive.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Underwood

State Squires
Charlie Underwood, Chairman

Columbian Squires Report on Membership Development.

15th in the U.S.A. in membership.

Net gain 4th in the U.S.A.

In membership percentage gain we did meet our goal in Circles.

On April 2, 1995 we gained two new Circles, one in Picayune Council 6872. The other was Kiln Council, Sponsor Father A.C. Denis #7087. For a total of 24 new members plus 11 from Laurel. This makes a total of 35 new Squires. This was a great year.

Among our guest we had State Officers; State Deputy, Tom Zettler; Greg Niolet, State Secretary; Guy Todaro, State Advocate; Roy Patterson, State Warden; Richard Hoda, Deputy #8. We also had Sacred Heart Priest, Rev. Mercier.

I would like to thank the Laurel Circle #3768 Squires and their Counselors, Jim Yaggi and Richard.

Respectfully Submitted

Charlie Underwood
State Squire Chairman

**State Free Throw Contest
Charlie Underwood, Chairman**

The 1995 State Free Throw Contest was held March 25, 1995 at St. Therese School Gym, 309 McDowell Road in Jackson from 9AM - 12PM. All of the winners from state level had a great shoot out.

There were 70 shooters, shooting for First Place in their age group.

Our special thanks goes out to our Host Council 8285 members and Roy Patterson and all others who helped.

Winners of K of C Free Throw Contest

Boys			
10yr.	Morgan Henry	Greenville	#2134
11yr.	John M Cummings	Greenville	#2134
12yr.	John Morgan	Greenville	#2134
13yr.	Jason McCain	Cleveland	#5556
14yr.	Samuel Storey	Cleveland	#5556

Girls			
10yr.	Megan Marchesini	Greenville	#2134
11yr.	Lindsey Phillips	Brookhaven	#7915
12yr.	Amber Bartlett	Gulfport	#1583
13yr.	Lindsey Barnana	Clarksdale	#2969
14yr.	Katie Hopkins	Clarksdale	#2969

Respectfully Submitted,
Charlie Underwood

State Youth Director

Resolutions Committee
Guy S. Todaro, State Advocate

The Resolution Committee of the 91th 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 28, 1995, from 9:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. to address and make recommendations on the following ten (10) Resolutions.

The Resolution Committee consisted of.
Jesse J. Quinn, Jr., PSD
Stanley M. Swentkowski, Immediate PSD
Ralph W. Gatzman, GK of Council #2180, Laurel
Tim J. Riecke, GK of Council #9543, St. Francis of Assisi
Guy S. Todaro, Jr., State Advocate, Chairman

The Resolution Committee also recommends the following:

- That the next State Council consider increasing the mileage and/or per diem,
- That the next State Advocate investigate a way to streamline the eight (8) annual resolutions that are presented at each annual meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

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

RESOLUTION NO. 1

Whereas,

St. Paul Council No. 10216, Brandon, has been such an excellent host on the 91th Annual Convention, and

Whereas,

In the true spirit of Unity and Fraternity, the Capital City Knights of John T. Savage Council No. 848, Jackson, Holy Savior Council No. 7854, Clinton, St. Jude Centennial Council No. 8038, Pearl, St. Therese Council No. 8285, Jackson, and St. Francis of Assisi Council No. 9543, Madison, have assisted, 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 all of the host and assisting councils for the superior manner in which they discharged their responsibility.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Whereas,

Brother Robert F. Wade and his lovely wife Joan have honored this State Council with their presence, and

Whereas,

Brother Robert F. Wade is our Worthy Supreme Treasurer, and

Whereas,

We the delegates of the Mississippi State Council realize that Brother Robert F. Wade'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 Robert F. Wade, the Supreme Treasurer, and his wife Joan, and extend to them, a cordial invitation to return to our Jurisdiction whenever they may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Thirty-Second Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution adopted at the State Convention held in Biloxi, 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 1996,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council sponsor at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi State Knights of Columbus Thirty-Third 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: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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-Laws, 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 of \$45.00 per day for two days and no allowance for mileage.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

RESOLUTION NO. 8

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 - \$1,000. 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: Accept

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

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

RESOLUTION NO. 9

Whereas,

Article VI Section 4 of the Mississippi State Council By-laws does not exclude from State Council per capita assessments any inactive insurance members as described in Section 69 (b) of the Charter, Constitution, Laws of the Knights of Columbus, and

Whereas,

The Councils of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus, while not receiving any dues or other monies from inactive insurance members, are assessed a state per capita tax on these members, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi State Council is and will remain financially sound without the revenue derived from the State per capita levied on inactive insurance members.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That Article VI Section 4 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws be amended to exclude inactive insurance members from the state per capita tax as follows:

Section 4: Per Capita Tax: 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, payable one-half on August 1 each year based upon membership figures of July 1 and the other one-half payable on February 1 each year based on the membership figures of January 1 excluding inactive insurance members as described in Section 69 (b) of the Charter, Constitution, Laws of the Knights of Columbus, and in accordance with Section 118 (c) and (d) of the Charter, Constitution, Laws of the Knights of Columbus.

However, the Per Capita Tax may be changed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the State Council Meeting or as otherwise provided in these By-Laws.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept

(Submitted by State Deputy Tom Zettler and Bishop Fahey Council No. 1908, Hattiesburg)

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

RESOLUTION NO. 10

Whereas,

The Mississippi Jurisdiction has not been fortunate to have a member to serve on the Board of Directors of the Supreme Council in the more than one hundred year history of the Order, and

Whereas,

Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott, Past State Deputy of the Mississippi Jurisdiction has served the Order with distinction since becoming a member in November 1978, and

Whereas,

Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott has held the offices of Recorder, Recruitment and Retention Chairman, both in the Third and Fourth Degrees, Membership Chairman, Grand Knight, Faithful Navigator, and Faithful Comptroller at the local level, and

Whereas,

Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott has served the Order as District Deputy, State Membership Chairman, State Recruitment and Retention Chairman, State Warden, State Secretary, and State Deputy on the Jurisdiction level, and

Whereas,

As State Deputy, Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott was appointed by Supreme Knight to the Catholic Bishop's Conference on Evangelization and also was appointed to the Circle of Honor of the Supreme Knight as one of the fifteen worldwide State Deputies, and

Whereas,

In 1993, Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott was appointed Vice Supreme Master of the Bienville Province of the Fourth Degree, which covers the States of Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Tennessee and continues to serve in this capacity.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council, Knights of Columbus petition the Supreme Knight and the Supreme Council for the election of Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott, Past State Deputy of the Mississippi Jurisdiction to the Supreme Board of Directors of the Knights of Columbus at the next annual meeting of the Supreme Council.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept

(Submitted by Laurel Council No. 2180 and Brookhaven Council No. 7915)

APRIL 29, 1995
MISSISSIPPI
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Sunday, April 30, 1995
Pro-Life Rosary 7:30 AM
Convention Mass 8:00 AM
Bishop William R. Houck
Celebrant

Fourth Business Session

The Fourth Business Session was opened at 10:15 a.m. by State Deputy Thomas Zettler. The opening prayer was offered by State Chaplain Father Kevin Slattery. Immediately following the opening prayer Father Kevin Slattery had to leave the meeting due to the death of a parishioner. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John P. Myers PSD, State Master of the Fourth Degree.

Bishop William R. 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.

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 invited the Knights of Columbus to the upcoming celebrations in the Biloxi Diocese.

Priest Education Fund Paulino J. Carrubba, Chairman

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. The good news is that some of the councils have regained their contributions.

The Fourth Degree Assemblies have contributed a total of \$22,562; the Ladies Auxiliaries have donated a total of \$4,750; and the Squires have contributed \$521.

For this fraternal year contributions for the Biloxi Diocese are \$24,387.25, and for the Jackson Diocese \$22,441.63 for a state total of \$46,828.88 and a grand total of \$830,979.88. We only need \$56,340 a year for the next three years to reach our goal of one million dollars by the year 2000 set two years ago.

Last year we initiated a program of personal donations to augment the contributions of the councils to the Priest Education Fund. Only nine members saw fit to answer this plea for a total of three hundred sixty one dollars. This year we again solicited for personal contributions. Eighteen members answered the call for a total of seven hundred sixty six dollars. We are looking forward to a continuing increase in personal contributions.

Congratulations and thank you to Long Beach Council #4898 for the largest donation of \$7,000 and for the highest donation per member.

Respectfully submitted

Paulino J. Carrubba, Chairman

Bishop R.O. Gerow Memorial Fund

Council	Location	1953-1993	1994	1995	Total
	C. Mink		\$25	\$25	\$50
	E. Mistler		\$100	\$100	\$200
	T. Zettler			\$20	\$20
	L. Nahlen		\$25	\$150	\$175
	W. Entriken		\$30		\$30
	J. Myers		\$101	\$100	\$201
	P. Carrubba		\$25	\$25	\$50
	G. Niolet			\$25	\$25
	W. Abadie		\$20	\$15	\$35
	L. Borosky			\$100	\$100
	S. Van Winkle			\$25	\$25
	G. Todaro			\$25	\$25
	J. Szymonik			\$50	\$50
	E. Vail			\$1	\$1
	B. Diloranzo		\$10	\$20	\$30
	M. Lott		\$25	\$25	\$50
	H. Mosco			\$25	\$25
	R. Patterson			\$25	\$25
	J. Leatherwood			\$10	\$10
802	Auxiliary	\$1,700	\$200	\$200	\$2,100
802	1251 Assembly	\$1,200	\$250	\$200	\$1,650
802	Meridian	\$28,873	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$32,873
848	Jackson	\$23,955	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$25,955
848	0554 Assembly	\$700	\$140	\$100	\$940
898	1558 Assembly	\$1,650	\$250	\$350	\$2,250
898	Vicksburg	\$43,900	\$3,000	\$3,400	\$50,300
1034	Natchez	\$34,027	\$900	\$1,200	\$36,127
1034	0559 Assembly	\$75	\$50	\$50	\$175
1244	Biloxi	\$29,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$31,000
1244	Auxiliary	\$100		\$100	\$200
1522	Bay St Louis	\$23,414	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$26,414
1583	Auxiliary	\$1,325	\$200	\$200	\$1,725
1583	0556 Assembly	\$1,709		\$500	\$2,209
1583	Gulfport	\$52,859	\$3,400	\$2,500	\$58,759
1605	0561 Assembly	\$300		\$100	\$400
1605	Auxiliary	\$1,200	\$100	\$100	\$1,400
1605	Pascagoula	\$130,345	\$350	\$1,000	\$131,695
1908	Hattiesburg	\$10,525	\$250	\$200	\$10,975
2134	0555 Assembly	\$41,610	\$7,800	\$2,349	\$51,759
2134	Greenville	\$45,294	\$2,700	\$3,000	\$50,994
2134	Auxiliary	\$2,600	\$300	\$200	\$3,100
2180	Squires	\$100	\$254	\$167	\$521
2180	Laurel	\$16,030	\$100	\$1,300	\$17,430
2180	0563 Assembly	\$1,200	\$100	\$100	\$1,400

2945	Leland	\$18,212	\$500	\$600	\$19,312
2969	Clarksdale	\$25,370		\$1,000	\$26,370
4472	Pass Christian	\$4,274	\$300	\$100	\$4,674
4472	Auxiliary	\$325	\$200	\$100	\$625
4898	Auxiliary	\$200		\$300	\$500
4898	1719 Assembly	\$3,700			\$3,700
4898	Long Beach	\$31,101	\$5,000	\$7,000	\$43,101
5267	Greenwood	\$15,146	\$1,361	\$813	\$17,320
5267	1569 Assembly			\$110	\$110
5556	Cleveland	\$10,150	\$500	\$500	\$11,150
5556	1503 Assembly	\$250	\$100	\$200	\$550
5654	Ocean Springs	\$19,855	\$1,100	\$1,100	\$22,055
5654	2059 Assembly	\$525	\$138	\$150	\$813
6555	Shelby	\$5,580	\$440	\$400	\$6,420
6592	Bassfield	\$1,550	\$100	\$100	\$1,750
6765	Starkville	\$675		\$200	\$875
6872	Picayune	\$18,515	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$23,515
6872	2227 Assembly	\$500	\$250	\$250	\$1,000
7087	Kiln	\$3,910	\$250	\$200	\$4,360
7120	2195 Assembly	\$520	\$200	\$100	\$820
7120	Southaven	\$2,263	\$500	\$600	\$3,363
7211	Lumberton	\$31,339	\$1,800	\$1,089	\$34,228
7854	Clinton	\$2,735	\$400	\$200	\$3,335
7910	Orange Grove	\$935	\$150	\$135	\$1,220
7910	Auxiliary			\$100	\$100
7915	Brookhaven	\$6,050	\$1,300	\$1,300	\$8,650
7974	Columbus	\$1,175			\$1,175
8038	Pearl	\$1,929			\$1,929
8054	McComb	\$5,560	\$500	\$160	\$6,220
8285	St Therese	\$800	\$334	\$100	\$1,234
8760	Holly Springs	\$1,650	\$300		\$1,950
8848	2131 Assembly	\$200			\$200
8848	Tupelo	\$1,800	\$300	\$300	\$2,400
8912	Corinth	\$800		\$100	\$900
9094	D'Iberville	\$1,086	\$400	\$500	\$1,986
9124	Gautier	\$2,483	\$116	\$100	\$2,699
9234	Indianola	\$1,950	\$400	\$440	\$2,790
9409	West Biloxi	\$3,777	\$150	\$200	\$4,127
9534	Madison			\$421	\$421
9673	Woolmarket	\$300	\$50	\$110	\$460
9958	Lizana	\$650	\$250	\$300	\$1,200
9958	2284 Assembly	\$100	\$100		\$200
9958	Auxiliary	\$100		\$200	\$300
10216	Auxiliary		\$50		\$50
10216	Brandon	\$425	\$600		\$1,025
10216	2269 Assembly		\$100		\$100
10443	Grenada	\$100	\$110	\$393	\$603
10499	E Ocean Springs	\$470	\$250	\$275	\$995
10901	Oxford			\$200	\$200
99999	State Auxiliary	\$900	\$150	\$150	\$1,200
99999	St Mary's	\$237			\$237
99999	St Mary's	\$237			\$237
99999	State Auxiliary	\$900	\$150	\$150	\$1,200
99999	Miscellaneous	\$11,547			\$11,547
Total:		\$736,547	\$47,604	\$46,828	\$830,979

District Master
John P. Myers, PSD

Worthy State Deputy,

My appointment as District Master was received in September 1994 for the two year term ending August 31, 1996.

The Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus is alive and well in the Mississippi District. Two exemplifications of the Fourth Degree were conducted since our last convention, one at Tupelo on September 18, 1994 where 44 new Sir Knights, including 3 priests were exemplified in a class honoring Sir Knight John P. Brown, Faithful Comptroller of the Father Clarence J. Meyer Assembly No. 2131 of Tupelo and the other one was held in Orange Grove on March 25, 1995 with 33 new Sir Knights, including 3 priests and 1 deacon to be ordained in June 1995 in a class honoring Bishop Joseph Lawson Howze of the Biloxi Diocese.

I attended the Bienville Province meeting held in Memphis on October 15-16, 1994. This meeting was attended by Supreme Director Frank M. Jackson, III, Vice Supreme Master Marvin L. Lott, all five Masters of the Province, four State Deputies, State Secretary Gregory L. Niolet, an Immediate Past State Deputy, along with a number of Former Vice Supreme Masters, Former Masters and some Faithful Navigators.

We are planning another Exemplification to be held in Meridian during September 1995. We hope that all Third Degree members in the Mississippi Jurisdiction will become Fourth Degree members and we can be 100%, as it is we are about 23% Fourth Degree.

The regular biennial meeting of the Mississippi District will be held at the next State Convention in 1996 at which time three Sir Knights will be nominated for the office of District Master to be appointed by the Supreme Master. I will not be candidate for District Master.

Fraternally,

John P. Myers, PSD
District Master

Awards/Reports Forms
Dennis "Doc" Ladnier, PSD, Chairman

State Deputy Tom Zettler appointed me Awards/Reports Forms Chairman for the 1994-1995 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 Personnel 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, 1994. This report is important to Supreme and State. Supreme needs it to send information to the Grand Knights to help in the performance of his office. Also, the State Council needs the information so the State Directory can be printed and distributed. Twelve councils did not make the data at Supreme.

2. Form 1295 (Semiannual Audit Report) was due August 15, 1994 and February 15, 1995. Some councils were late sending in this report.

3. Form 365 (Service Program Personnel Report) was due September 1, 1994. Report form 365 is a requirement for the Columbian, Father McGivney and Founders Awards, and a requirement for the State Program Awards. Six councils had not sent in this report as of October 11, 1994.

4. Form 1728 (Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity Report) was due January 31, 1995. Some councils were late in getting this report to Supreme. However, Mississippi Councils ended up at 100%.

Some of our councils did not file all 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

Athletic Events
Mike Craft, Chairman

1. The 20th Annual Mississippi State Knights of Columbus Softball Tournament was held in August of 1994 in Meridian Ms. The tournament for 1995 will be hosted by Cleveland.

2. The 33rd Annual Mississippi Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament was hosted by Biloxi Council 1244 on Feb. 18 and 19, 1995. There were 19 teams that participated in this event. The 1996 Bowling Tournament will be held in Natchez and the 1997 tournament will be held in Cleveland.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Craft
Athletic Events Chairman

Bowling Tournament
Mike Craft, Chairman

The 1995 State Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament was held at the Ocean Lanes in Ocean Springs, February 18-19, 1995, hosted by Biloxi Council 1244. There were 19 teams entered, representing 12 Councils. (Natchez, Ocean Springs 5654, Ocean Springs 10499, Greenville, Pascagoula, D'Iberville, Clarksdale, Gulfport 1583, Bassfield, Meridian, Leland and Biloxi 1244)

Team winners were: 1st Place Natchez 1034, 2nd Place Ocean Springs 5654 and 3rd Place Greenville #2134.

Doubles was won by Charles Nannery & John Schaefer

Singles was won by Layne Girouard

All events handicap was won by Freddie Steinwinder III

All events scratch was won by Layne Girouard

Trophies were awarded to the appropriate winners.

The 1996 bowling tournament will be held in Natchez. The 1997 bowling tournament will be in Clarksdale.

Historian
Robert Fratesi, PSD

One year ago, I stood before you and notified you that it is now time to submit your council's 10 year history to be printed in the state history book update.

At the state convention held in Jackson in 1991, Resolution #9 states that an update of our state history be published every 10 years, these years being after the anniversary of our conventions that are a multiple of ten. 1994 marked the 90th annual convention.

Since a year ago, of the 46 councils in the state I have received history reports from only 25. Many of these councils submitting went to much trouble in preparing theirs. I also need updates from individual state chairmen. As of this date I have not received any reports from these chairmen. The insurance agency report is the only update I have other than the councils.

Credit was given in the state program competition for submitting this information and I appreciate the state program director for including this project. The deadline for the state program has passed. However this is not the end of the history project. I still need your councils write up for publication. This history is to include the years from 1984 through 1994. Approximately one hour is needed of your time to complete this update.

Another item is the method of payment for this project. We are looking at approximately \$7500.00. Councils may have to sell ads

for adequate financing of this project. However, the State Deputy will have to make the decision on this matter.

Brothers, I need your cooperation on this. We do not want to string this project out into the next century. With your help, I could pass these books out at the next state convention. I ask that in returning to your councils after this convention, make a special effort to sit down with your minutes book for about an hour and complete your councils history update.

Fraternally submitted,

Robert Fratesi, PSD
State Historian

Brother Jim Yaggi started collecting a fund for Celina Cupit, daughter of Brother Buddy Cupit. A total of \$1032.63 was raised and presented to Brother Cupit.

Election of State Officers

Worthy State Deputy Thomas Zettler called the tellers to their station.

State Deputy Thomas Zettler asked for nominations for the office of State Deputy. Brother Joseph Ladner nominated Brother Greg Niolet, Brother Kevin Vanderlip nominated Jesse Quinn III. Jesse Quinn III received 51 votes Brother Greg Niolet received 47 votes.

State Secretary: Ted Knowles nominated Guy Todaro Jr. and Mike Bucciantine nominated Joe Goellner. Guy Todaro III received 79 votes and Joe Goellner received 19 votes.

State Treasurer: Brother Rick Gaspard nominated Brother Roy Patterson and Reed Fontenot nominated Brother Keith Merritt. Brother Patterson received 56 votes and Brother Merritt received 42 votes.

State Advocate: Brother George Roberts nominated Brother Bruce Pabon and Brother James Farris nominated Brother Ken Lubbers. Brother Pabon received 63 votes and Brother Lubbers received 35 votes.

State Warden: State Deputy Zettler handed the gavel to Immediate Past State Deputy Stanley Swentkowski so that he could nominate a Brother for the office of State Warden. State Deputy Zettler nominated Ted Knowles and Thomas Wedig nominated Emile Vial. Ted Knowles received 75 votes and Emile Vial received 23 votes.

Nominations and Election of Delegates and Alternates to the Supreme Convention in Kansas City, Kansas

Those nominated were as follows: John Maloney, Guy Todaro Jr., John Szymonik, Harvey Mitchell, Joe Goellner, Keith Merritt. The vote total was as follows: Guy Todaro Jr. received 72 votes, John Szymonik received 40 votes, John Maloney received 21 votes, Joe Goellner received 20 votes, Keith Merritt received 17 votes, Harvey Mitchell received 12 votes. Guy Todaro Jr. and John Szymonik will attend the Supreme Convention as the Mississippi Jurisdiction third and fourth delegates. Alternates will be as follows: John Maloney 1st alternate, Joe Goellner 2nd alternate, Keith Merritt 3rd alternate, Harvey Mitchell 4th alternate.

Old Business

Vicksburg Council 898 was awarded the bid to host the 1999 State Convention.

New Business

There was no new Business.

There being no further business a motion was made by Brother Marvin Lott, PSD to adjourn the 1995 state convention. The motion was seconded by Brother Warren Reso. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer offered by State Deputy Thomas Zettler.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

