

**Larry J. Tabor
State Deputy
Mississippi State Council
2006 State Convention Minutes**



IN SERVICE TO ONE

IN SERVICE TO ALL

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TODAY!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



**Knights of Columbus
Mississippi State Council
102nd Annual State Meeting
28,29,30 April 2006
Tupelo, MS**

Thursday, April 27, 2006

- 2:00 - 5:30 p.m. Registration for Supreme Representative, State Officers, Past State Deputies, State Directors, District Deputies – **Completed by Observation**
- 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. State Hospitality Room (Sponsored by the State Officers) – *Invitation ONLY* – **Elvis Presley Suite**

Friday, April 28, 2006

- 8:00 -- 8:40 a.m. Mass for the Cause of Father Michael J. McGivney - State Chaplain, **Father Henry Shelton – St. James**
- 8:00 – a.m. Golf Tournament
- 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. State Officers Meeting – **Elvis Presley Suite**
- 10:00 - 5:30 p.m. Registration – Officers/Delegates/Dignitaries – **Mississippi Room**, Convention Center
- 10:00 - 5:30 p.m. Registration– **Lobby**, Convention Center
- 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. District Deputy Meeting – **Elvis Presley Suite**
- 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Mississippi District Fourth Degree Meeting – **Room 4**, Convention Center (**Members ONLY**)
- 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. **FIRST BUSINESS SESSION – Room 4**, Convention Center (**Members ONLY**)
1. Travel Cards Checked - State Warden, **David Scott and Assistants**
 2. Opening of First Business Session - State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
 3. Opening Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**
 4. Pledge of Allegiance - Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
 5. Entertain Motion to Waive Reading of 2005 Convention Minutes
 6. Submission of Reports Not Previously Received - State Secretary, **Daniel Lechner** (District Deputies, Grand Knights, State Directors and Chairmen)
 7. Assignment of Chairs to the Delegates - State Warden, **David Scott**
 8. Mississippi District Fourth Degree Master's Report - Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
 9. State Program for People with Intellectual Disabilities Report – **Jim Farris**
 10. Distribution of Resolutions - State Advocate, **Gerald Schmuck**
 11. Announcements of Committee Assignments - State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
 12. Announcements
 - a. Hospitality Rooms **MUST BE CLOSED** during Business Sessions
 - b. Ladies Activities
 - c. Youth Activities
 - d. Credentials Committee Meeting, 10:00 p.m. – **Room 4**, Convention Center
 - e. Resolution Committee Meeting, 10:00 p.m. – **Mississippi Room**, Convention Center
 - f. Mileage and Per Diem Meeting, 10:00 p.m. – **Room 4**, Convention Center Other
 - g. Announcements
 13. Closing Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**

Friday, April 28, 2006 (continued)

- 7:00 p.m. Cash Bar Opens – **Lobby**, Convention Center
- 7:30 p.m. Doors Open for Friday Night Dinner Social -- **Rooms 1, 2 & 3**, Convention Center
1. Seating of Upper and Lower Head Table
 2. Presentation of Colors – **Fourth Degree Color Corp**
 3. Pledge of Allegiance -- Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
 4. Welcome – Mayor of Tupelo, **The Honorable Ed Neelly**
 5. Response – State Secretary, **Daniel Lechner**
 6. Introduction of the Supreme Representative, State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
 7. Prayer Service – **Father Kent Bowlds**
 8. Prayer – **Bishop Thomas Rodi**
 9. Meal
 10. Introduction of Visiting Priest and Seminarians – **Larry Tabor**
 11. Awards to be Presented:
 - a. State "Persons with Intellectual Disabilities" Program Awards – **James Farris**.
 - b. Insurance Agency Awards – **Jerry Woods**
 - c. Top Proposer Awards – **Martin Bisek**
 - d. Membership Awards – **Martin Bisek**
 - e. Top Gun Council Awards- State Membership Director, **Martin Bisek**
 - f. Honor Council Awards - State Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - g. Council of Excellence Awards - State Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - h. Distinguished Council Awards - State Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - i. Stellar Council Awards -- State Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - j. Special Presentation -- State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
- 10:00 p.m. - Credentials Committee – State Secretary, **Daniel Lechner** – **Room 4**, Convention Center
- 10:00 p.m. - Resolutions Committee – State Advocate, **Gerald Schmuck** – **Mississippi Room**, Convention Center
- 10:00 p.m. - Mileage and Per Diem Meeting – State Treasurer, **Peter Sukanek** – **Room 4**, Convention Center
- Saturday, April 29, 2006**
- 8:00 a.m. - Memorial Mass w/Necrology of Deceased Members and Wives. Concelebrated Mass with Bishop Rodi as Principal Celebrant - Necrology by State Chaplain Father Michael O'Conner – **Room 4**, Convention Center
- 9:00 – 9:30 Registration – Officers/Delegates/Dignitaries – **Mississippi Room**, Convention Center
- 9:00 -- 10:00 Registration – **Lobby**, Convention Center
- 9:30 --12:00 **SECOND BUSINESS SESSION – Room 4**, Convention Center (**Members ONLY**)
1. Travel Cards Checked by State Warden, **David Scott and Assistants**
 2. Opening of Second Business Session - State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
 3. Opening Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**
 4. Pledge of Allegiance - Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
 5. Report of Credentials Committee - State Secretary, **Daniel Lechner**
 6. Address to the Delegates – Bishop of Jackson Diocese, **Most Reverend Joseph Latino**
 7. Address to the Delegates – Representing Biloxi Diocese, **Most Reverend Thomas Rodi**
 8. Address to the Delegates – Supreme Director, **John A. Harrison, Jr.**
 9. State Chaplain's Report - **Father Michael O'Conner**
 10. State Deputy's Report – **Larry Tabor**
 11. State Secretary's Report – **Daniel Lechner**

Saturday, April 29, 2006 (continued)

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION – (continued)

- 12 State Treasurer's Report – **Peter Sukanek**
- 13 State Advocate's Report – **Gerald Schmuck**
- 14 State Warden's Report – **David Scott**
- 15 Immediate Past State Deputy's Report – **Richard Lieding**
- 16 State Chairman for the Cause of Father Michael J. McGivney - **C. Bruce Pabon, PSD**
- 17 General Agent's Report – **Jerry Woods**
- 18 State Vocations Report – **Deacon Larry Campbell/Deacon Robert Jones**
- 19 Colombian Squires Report – **Thomas Chady, PSD**
- 20 Assignment of Meeting Rooms
- 21 Other Announcements
- 22 Closing Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**

- 10:00 - 12:00 p.m. State Ladies Auxiliary Business Meeting – Room 1, Convention Center
12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Past State Deputies Luncheon – **Overflow Room**
12:00 - 1:00 p.m. District Deputies and Former District Deputies Luncheon – **Imperial Room**
12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch (All others are on their own)
12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Ladies Luncheon – **Room 2**

1:00 - 2:15 p.m. CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS –

1. Audit – Thomas Chady, PSD, **Mississippi Room, Convention Center**
2. Good of the Order – Dr. Paul Gospodarski, **Room 4 (Front/Left), Convention Center**
3. Ceremonials – Gerald Schmuck, **Conference Room, Office Complex**
4. Public Relations – Noel Aucoin, **Room 4 (Front/Center), Convention Center**
5. State Convention – Pick Noble, **Room 4 (Front/Right), Convention Center**
6. Financial Secretaries – Jim Farris, **Room 4 (Front-Center/Left), Convention Center**
7. Membership – Martin Bisek, **Room 4 (Front-Center/Center), Convention Center**
8. Council Activities – Ray Bell – **Room 4 (Front-Center/Right), Convention Center**
9. Community Activities – Richard Greenwold – **Room 4 (Del. Reg. Table), Convention Center**
10. Church Activities – James Leatherwood – **Room 4 (Back-Center/Left), Convention Center**
11. Family Life Activities – Carl Brochard -- **Room 4 (Back-Center/Center), Convention Center**
12. Youth Activities – Joseph Jones – **Room 4 (Back-Center/Right), Convention Center**
13. Pro-Life Activities – Don Cox/Dennis Riecke - **Room 4 (Back/Left), Convention Center**
14. Vocation Activities – Deacon Larry Campbell/Deacon Robert Jones - **Room 4 (Back/Center), Convention Center**

2:30 - 5:00 p.m. THIRD BUSINESS SESSION – Room 4, Convention Center (Members ONLY)

1. Travel Cards Checked by State Warden, **David Scott and Assistants**
2. Opening of Third Business Session - State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
3. Opening Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**
4. Pledge of Allegiance - Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
5. Convention Committee Reports
 - a. Pro-Life – State Chairmen, Don Cox/Dennis Riecke
 - b. State Program Activities – State Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - c. Public Relations – **Noel Aucoin**
 - d. Membership – State Director, **Martin Bisek**
 - e. Ceremonials – State Advocate, **Gerald Schmuck**

Saturday, April 29, 2006 (continued)

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION – (continued)

- f. K of C Audit – PSD, **Thomas Chady**
- g. ~~Mitige~~ and Per Diem – State Treasurer, **Peter Sukanek**
- h. Financial Secretaries – **Jim Farris**
- i. State Convention – **Pick Noble**
- j. Good of the Order – **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
6. Resolutions presented to the Delegates – State Advocate, **Gerald Schmuck**
7. Announcements
8. Closing Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**

SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET

6:00 p.m. Cash Bar Open
6:30 p.m. Dignitaries Assemble for Procession – **Room 4**, Convention Center
6:30 p.m. Color Guard Assembles – **Room 4**, Convention Center
7:00 p.m. Doors to Banquet room opened -- **Rooms 1, 2 & 3**, Convention Center

1. Procession of the Dignitaries
2. Presentation of Colors – **Fourth Degree Color Corp**
3. Pledge of Allegiance -- Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
4. Prayer – **Bishop Latino**
5. Meal
6. Keynote Address by Supreme Director, **John A. Harrison, Jr.**
7. Awards Presentation
 - a. Squires Awards – PSD, **Thomas Chady**
 - b. Fourth Degree Awards -- Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
 - c. Best Pro-Life Project Award – **William Waggoner**
 - d. Pro-Life Memorial Fund Awards – **William Waggoner**
 - e. Best Vocations Project Awards – **William Waggoner**
 - f. Bishop R. O. Gerow Priest Education Awards – **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
 - g. Best Church Activity Award - Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - h. Best Community Activity Award - Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - i. Best Council Activity Award - Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - j. Best Family Activity Award - Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - k. Best Youth Activity Award - Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - l. Best Council Awards - Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - m. Past State Deputies, Best District Deputy Award – **Robert Fratesi, PSD**
 - n. Special Presentations – State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
 - o. Mississippi State Council, Knight of the Year Award - Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 - p. Mississippi State Council, Family of the Year Award - Program Director, **William Waggoner**

Sunday, April 30, 2006

- 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Concelebrated Convention Mass with Bishop Latino as Principal Celebrant – **Room 4**
10:00 - 10:30 a.m. Awards Presentation – **Room 4**, Convention Center (**Open to everyone, entire family**)
1. State Ladies Auxiliary Awards - State Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 2. State Bowling Tournament Awards – Council 802, Meridian, Grand Knight, **Robert Leo**
 3. Keep Christ in Christmas Awards -- **Nat Zummo**
 4. Family of the Month Awards – **Carl Brochard**
 5. Poster Contest – State Program Director, **William Waggoner**
 6. Best Newsletter Awards – State Program Director, **William Waggoner**

7. Best Scrapbook Awards – State Program Director, **William Waggoner**

10:30 - 1:00 p.m. \ FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION – Room 4, Convention Center (**Members ONLY**)

1. Travel Cards Checked by State Warden, **David Scott and Assistants**
2. Opening of Third Business Session - State Deputy, **Larry Tabor**
3. Opening Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**
4. Pledge of Allegiance - Fourth Degree Master, **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
5. Remarks
 - a. Bishop Joseph Latino
 - b. Bishop Thomas Rodi
 - c. Supreme Director, John A. Harrison, Jr.
 - d. Fourth Degree Master, Dr. Paul Gospodarski
6. Bishop R. O. Gerow Priest Education Fund Report - **Dr. Paul Gospodarski**
7. State Convention Report: 2005 – State Convention Chairman, **Pick Noble**
8. Position Election Tellers
9. Election of State Officers
 - a. State Deputy
 - b. State Secretary
 - a. State Treasurer
 - d. State Advocate
 - c. State Warden
10. Election of Delegates and Alternates to the 120th Annual Supreme Convention – Orlando, Florida, 1 – 3 August 2006
11. Selection of Site for 2011 State Convention
 - a. Biloxi
 - b. Biloxi (With conventions approval, coast councils will sponsor.)
 - c. Bay St. Louis
 - d. Jackson
 - e. Unknown
12. Unfinished Business
13. New Business
14. Closing Remarks
15. Closing Prayer - State Chaplain, **Father Michael O'Conner**

Committee Assignments

The committees listed below are appointed to assist in the work of the convention. With the exceptions of the Credentials Committee, Resolutions Committee, Mileage & Per Diem Committee and the Election Tellers, all other committees will meet between 1:00 p.m. and 2:15 p.m., at the locations listed, on Saturday, 29 April 2006. Each committee chairman (listed in **bold**), except the Election Tellers, will make a written and an oral report to the convention when called upon. The written report must include a listing of committee attendees present.

NOTE: *In the event a listed delegate is not present at the convention, then his council's alternate will serve in his place.*

The committees are as follows:

1. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Convention Center, Room 4

Chairman

Daniel Lechner, State Secretary

Friday, 28 April 2006, 10:00 p.m.

Richard Greenwold #10499

Dennis C. Louis DD #1

James Glover # 2969

Randolph Follett # 6765

Bill Sonnemann # 7120

Donald Eakin #11654

2. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Convention Center, Mississippi Room

Chairman

Gerald Schmuck, State Advocate

Friday, 28 April 2006, 10:00 p.m.

Richard Lieding IPSD

Guy Todaro PSD

Thomas Zettler PSD

Kenneth P. Broussard # 1605

3. MILEAGE AND PER DIEM COMMITTEE Convention Center, Room 4

Chairman

Peter Sukanek, State Treasurer

Friday, 28 April 2006, 10:00 p.m.

Timothy R. Ros # 898

Joe Spence # 4472

Richard Sowers # 6765

Mike Meehan # 9124

3. ELECTION TELLERS

Convention Center, Room 4

Sunday, 30 April 2006

4. AUDIT COMMITTEE

Convention Center, Mississippi Room

Chairman

Thomas Chady, IPSD

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Peter Sukanek, State Treasurer

Larry Grant # 1908

Paul S. McClain # 7974

Eddie D. Dixon # 8760

Robert Pyle #11541

5. CEREMONIALS COMMITTEE

Office Complex, Conference Room

Chairman

Gerald Schmuck, State Advocate

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Ron Kopacz DD #2

John L. Bennett # 802

Bill Jarrett # 1908

Glenn Carson # 9409

Harry W. Smith #11956

6. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Convention Center, Room 4

(Front/Center)

Chairman

Noel Aucoin, Public Relations

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Robert Leo DD #4

Dr. Wade Ditcharo. DD #7

Michael Spencer # 6872

Ted Gray #10216

Stephen Jubera #10901

7. GOOD OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE

Convention Center, Room 4

(Front/Left)

Chairman

Dr. Paul Gospodarski

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Michael F. Macke # 848

Larry Gardner # 1034

Elvis Gates # 4898

Ronald J. Cassagney # 6872

Ben Mokry # 8285

Claude L. Vinson, Sr. # 8760

Foote Singleton #13936

8. FINANCIAL SECRETARIES Convention Center, Room 4 (Front-Center/Left)

Chairman

Jim Farris

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Ralph W. Gatzman # 2180
Richard Hoda # 7087
Richard Zdziemborski # 7910
Thomas L. Corkin, Jr. # 7915
Jeff Houin # 8848
Edward Croal, Jr. # 11541
Sherwood Beckham #11654

ALL Financial Secretaries in attendance that are NOT assigned to a committee.

9. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE Convention Center, Room 4 (Front-Center/Center)

Chairman

Martin Bisek, Membership Director

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Jerry Woods General Agent
Joseph Jones DD #6
John Maynard DD #8
Vince Chiarito # 898
Joe Valencino. # 848
Bill Andry # 4472
William A. Knue # 7211
Gerry Clark # 8285
George Holetz #11995
Pascual Cruz #13502

10. STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE Convention Center, Room 4 (Front/Right)

Chairman

Pick Noble, DD #1

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Danny Lechner St. Sec.
Marion J McCraw DD # 5
Aurther Dunn DD #11
Luther Gollott # 1244
Jim Hoda # 7087

11. CHURCH ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Center/Left)

Convention Center, Room 4 (Back-

Chairman

James Leatherwood, Church Director Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Joe Garrity	# 1034
Wayne Ebelhar	# 2194
Robert F. Sullivan	# 7211
Roger Fettes	# 9094
Joseph Tannehill	# 9234
Richard Cameron	# 9543
Philip Jabour	#10216
James Henderson	#10901
Robert N. Frey	#13936

12. COUNCIL ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Center/Right)

Convention Center, Room 4 (Front-

Chairman

Ray Ball, Council Director

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Thomas P. Easter	# 1244
Andrew T. Hurst	# 1583
Noel L. Skinner	# 6592
Stephen Martinolich	# 7854
Marcel Crudele	# 8848
Mark Fontenot	# 9094
Kenny Rotenberry	# 9543
Rhett Maynard	#11995
David Stengel	#13502

13. YOUTH ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Center/Right)

Convention Center, Room 4 (Back-
Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00 p.m.

Chairman

Joseph Jones, Youth Director

James L. Everett	# 1583
Charles Mink	# 4898
Edward A. Cupps	# 5654
Bill O'Conner	# 7854
Joe Sesio	# 8054
	# 8912
Paul Leidig	# 9673
John Johnson	#12166

14. FAMILY LIFE ACTIVITY COMMITTEE Convention Center, Room 4 (Back-Center/Center)

Chairman Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00pm

Carl Brochard, State Family Life Director

Gilbert Tosso	# 1522
James Sherman	# 2945
Robert Ritchey, Jr.	# 5267
Michael Murphy	# 7910
Gordon Cowie	# 8038
	# 8912
Patrick Chubb	# 9673
Roger Hudson	#12271

15. COMMUNITY ACTIVITY COMMITTEE Convention Center, Room 4 (Del. Reg. Table)

Chairman Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00pm

Richard Greenwold, State Community/Awards Director

William N. Koeppel	# 2134
Howard V. Hill	# 5267
Owen S. Junkin	# 7915
O'Neal Amedee	# 8054
Lee Munsteutelger	#10443
Mike Butler	#10499
Lawrance Lainier	#11904
James Inabinet	#12331

17. PRO-LIFE ACTIVITY COMMITTEE Convention Center, Room 4 (Back/Left, Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00pm)

Chairmen

Don Cox/Dennis Richie, State Pro-Life Chairmen

Robert D. Webb	# 2180
Mike P. Columbus	# 2945
Billy F. Boswell II	# 5556
Gino O Conti	# 7974
Thomas Logue	# 8038
Harvey Caldwell	#10443
Jacob Eftink	#10901
Joseph Best	#11934
Joseph E. Kaley	#12271

18. VOCATIONS ACTIVITY COMMITTEE Convention Center, Room 4
(Back/Center)

Chairmen

Saturday, 29 April 2006, 1:00pm

Deacon ~~Larry~~ Campbell/ Deacon Robert Jones, Vocations Chairmen

John Leonhard DD #10

Carl Brochard DD #12

Anthony Dixon # 1522

Gerald Antici. # 2969

Louis Ybara # 5556

Philip Messer #10499

Patrick A Altenthaler #11956

Winten Ladner #11331

Committee Reports

REPORT OF THE 2006 CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

State Chaplain	Rev. Father Michael O'Conner
State Deputy	Larry Tabor
State Secretary	Daniel Lechner
State Treasurer	Peter Sukanek
State Advocate	Gerald Schmuck
State Warden	David Scott
Immediate Past	Richard T. Lieding
State Deputy	

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MISSISSIPPI STATE COUNCIL

2006 STATE CONVENTION COUNCIL DELEGATES

NO.	COUNCIL NO.	COUNCIL NAME	DELEGATE 1	NO.	DELEGATE NO. 2
2	802	Meridian	1 John L. Bennett	1	Thomas Zettler, PSD
2	848	Jackson	1 Hollis Felts	1	Ivan Lambert
2	898	Vicksburg	1 John Piazza	1	Timothy R. Ros
2	1034	Natchez	1 Manfred J. Carr	1	Joe Garrity
2	1244	Biloxi	1 Thomas P. Easter	1	Luther C. Gollott
2	1522	Bay St. Louis	1 Anthony Dixon	1	Gilbert Tosso
2	1583	Gulfport	1 James L. Everett	1	Andrew T. Hurst
1	1605	Pascagoula	1 Kenneth P. Broussard, Sr.		
2	1908	Hattiesburg	1 Larry Grant	1	Bill Jarrett
2	2134	Greenville	1 Wayne Ebelhar	1	William N. Koeppe
2	2180	Laurel	1 Robert D. Webb	1	Ralph W. Gatzman
2	2945	Leland	1 James Sherman	1	Mike P. Columbus
2	2969	Clarksdale	1 Jim Glover	1	John R. Hamilton
2	4472	Pass Christian	1 Joe Spence	1	Bill Andry
2	4898	Long Beach	1 Elvis Gates	1	Charles Mink
2	5267	Greenwood	1 Robert Ritchey, Jr.	1	Paul Corroero
2	5556	Cleveland	1 Billy F. Bosewell II	1	Louis Ybarra
2	5654	Ocean Springs	1 Edward A. Cupps	1	Carl Brochard
0	6555	Shelby	WILL NOT ATTEND, AS PER GK LETTER, DANNY		
1	6592	Bassfield	1 Noel L. Skinner		
2	6765	Starkville	1 Richard Sowers	1	Randolph Follett
2	6872	Picayune	1 Michael Spencer	1	Ronald J. Cassagne
40	SUB-TOTAL				

NO.	COUNCIL NO.	COUNCIL NAME	DELEGATE 1	NO.	DELEGATE NO. 2
2	7087	Kiln	1 Jim Hoda	1	Richard Hoda
2	7120	Southaven	1 Bill Sonnemann	1	Lawrence M. Campbell
2	7211	Lumberton	1 William A. Knue	1	Robert F. Sullivan
2	7854	Clinton	1 Stephen Martinolich	1	Bill O'Connor
2	7910	Orange Grove	1 Richard P. Zdziemborski	1	Michael Murphy
1	7915	Brookhaven	1 Owen S. Junkin		
2	7974	Columbus	1 Gino O. Conti	1	Paul S. McClain
2	8038	Pearl	1 Tom E. Logue	1	Gordon Cowie
2	8054	McComb	1 O'Neil Amedee	1	Joe Serio
2	8285	Jackson, St. Therese	1 Ben Mokry	1	Gerry Clark
2	8760	Holly Springs	1 C.L. Vinson	1	Walter Walls
2	8848	Tupelo	1 Marcel Crudele	1	Jeff Houln
2	8912	Corinth	1 Raymond Ball	1	James Leatherwood
2	9094	D'Iberville	1 Roger Fethers	1	Mark Fontenot
1	9124	Gautier	1 Mike Meehan		
2	9234	Indianoa	1 Joseph A. Tannehill	1	Terry V. Lott
2	9409	West Biloxi	1 Don Cox	1	Don Ulrey
2	9543	Madison	1 Richard Cameron	1	Kenny Rotenberry
2	9673	Woolmarket	1 Paul Leidig	1	Patrick Chubb
0	9958	Lizana	WILL NOT ATTEND, AS PER GK		
2	10216	Brandon	1 Ted Gray	1	Philip Jabour
2	10443	Grenada	1 Lee Munsteutlger	1	Harvey Caldwell
2	10499	Ocean Springs	1 Philip Messer	1	Michael Buttler
2	10901	Oxford	1 Jacob Eftink	1	Steve Jubera
2	11541	St. James, Gulfport	1 Robert Pyle	1	Edward Croal, Jr.
2	11654	Wiggins	1 Don Eakin	1	Sherwood Beckham
2	11904	Lucedale	1 Jim Henderson	1	Lawrance Ladnier
2	11934	Gluckstadt	1 Joseph R. Jones	1	Joesph Best
2	11956	Fr. Patrick Quinn	1 Harry W. Smith	1	Patrick A. Altenther
2	11995	West Harrison	1 George Holetz	1	Rhett Maynard
1	12166	Pascagoula-SH	1 John E. Johnson		
2	12271	Gulfport-NCBC	1 Roger L. Hudson, Jr.	1	Roger Hudson, Sr.
2	12331	Dedeax	1 James B. Inabinet	1	Winten Ladner
0	13471	Philadelphia/Tucker	WILL NOT ATTEND, AS PER FS		
2	13502	Batesville/Sardis	1 Pascual Cruz	1	David Stengel
2	13936		1 Robert N. Frey	1	Foote R Singleton
65	SUB-TOTAL				
105	TOTAL DELEGATES SEATED		116 - TOTAL DELEGATES IN STATE		

DISTRICT DEPUTIES**DIRECTORS**

	1	Rickens Noble	Membership Director	Martin Bisek
Dist.	2	Ron Kopacz	Program Director	William Waggoner
Dist.	3	D Dr. M. Wayne Ebelhar	Church Director	D James Leatherwood
Dist.	4	Robert Leo	Community Director	Richard E. Greenwold
Dist.	5	Marion J. McCraw	Council Director	D Raymond Ball
Dist.	6	D Joseph Jones	Family Director	D Carl Brochard
Dist.	7		Youth Director	D Joseph R. Jones
Dist.	8	Dr John Krumpos		
Dist.	9	John Leonhard		
Dist.	10	John Maynard		
Dist.	11	Arthur Dunn		
Dist.	12			

D – DELEGATE**PAST STATE DEPUTIES**

G. David Atteberry	Thomas R. Zettler	D
John P. Myers	Guy S. Todaro	
Jesse J. Quinn, Jr.	Thomas F. Chady	
C. Bruce Pabon		

D – DELEGATE**HONORARY STATE CHAPLAINS**

Bishop Joseph Latino
Bishop Thomas Rodi

Respectfully Submitted,

DANIEL LECHNER
State Secretary

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The Audit Committee, with all members present, reviewed the income and expense as reported by State Treasurer Peter Sukanek. It was the committee's opinion that the statement presented a fair and accurate reporting of State funds.

After reviewing cancelled checks, statements and vouchers, we confirmed that the record keeping is also within the state guidelines

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Chady, PSD
Audit Chairman

Members:

Larry Grant, Council 1908
Walter Walls, Council 8760
Paul McClain, Council 7974
Robert Pyle Council 11541

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM COMMITTEE REPORT

Peter Sukanek, State treasurer
Chairman

Members present:

Timothy R. Ros Council #898
Joe Spence Council # 4472
Richard Sowers Council # 6765
Mike Meehan Council # 9124

The committee met Friday, 28, April, 2006 at 10:00 pm. The following statistics were discussed and approved:

**2006 Convention Mileage and
Per Diem (Per Delegate)**

Council	City	Miles to Tupelo	At \$.25		2 Days		Total	Council	City	Miles to Tupelo	At \$.25		2 Days		Total
			Per Mile	Per Diem	Per Mile	Per Diem					Per Mile	Per Diem	Per Mile	Per Diem	
902	Meridian	148	\$38.25	\$100.00	\$138.25			9039	Pearl	193	\$48.25	\$100.00	\$148.25		
948	Jackson	189	\$47.25	\$100.00	\$147.25			9084	McComb	268	\$67.00	\$100.00	\$167.00		
998	Vicksburg	230	\$47.50	\$100.00	\$147.50			9298	Jackson	189	\$47.25	\$100.00	\$147.25		
1034	Natchez	306	\$78.25	\$100.00	\$178.25			9780	Holly Springs	61	\$15.25	\$100.00	\$115.25		
1244	Biloxi	317	\$79.25	\$100.00	\$179.25			9848	Tupelo	90.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00		
1622	Bay St. Louis	338	\$84.50	\$100.00	\$184.50			9912	Corinth	62	\$15.00	\$100.00	\$115.00		
1683	Gulfport	304	\$78.00	\$100.00	\$178.00			9994	D'Iberville	314	\$78.50	\$100.00	\$178.50		
1805	Pascagoula	336	\$84.00	\$100.00	\$184.00			9134	Gautier	332	\$83.00	\$100.00	\$183.00		
1908	Hattiesburg	234	\$68.50	\$100.00	\$168.50			9234	Indianola	172	\$43.00	\$100.00	\$143.00		
2134	Greenville	196	\$49.00	\$100.00	\$149.00			9409	Biloxi	317	\$79.25	\$100.00	\$179.25		
2180	Laurel	201	\$50.25	\$100.00	\$150.25			9643	Madison	177	\$44.25	\$100.00	\$144.25		
2946	Leland	196	\$49.00	\$100.00	\$149.00			9673	Woolmarket	300	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$175.00		
2969	Clarksdale	112	\$28.00	\$100.00	\$128.00			9989	Litana	299	\$74.75	\$100.00	\$174.75		
4472	Pass Christian	314	\$78.50	\$100.00	\$178.50			10216	Brandon	201	\$50.25	\$100.00	\$150.25		
4898	Long Beach	308	\$77.00	\$100.00	\$177.00			10443	Grenada	113	\$28.25	\$100.00	\$128.25		
5267	Greenwood	141	\$35.25	\$100.00	\$135.25			10499	Ocean Springs	318	\$79.50	\$100.00	\$179.50		
5556	Cleveland	162	\$38.00	\$100.00	\$138.00			10901	Oxford	60	\$12.50	\$100.00	\$112.50		
5554	Ocean Springs	318	\$79.50	\$100.00	\$179.50			11641	Gulfport	304	\$78.00	\$100.00	\$178.00		
5556	Shelby	133	\$33.25	\$100.00	\$133.25			11654	Wiggins	270	\$67.50	\$100.00	\$167.50		
5582	Bascofield	261	\$65.25	\$100.00	\$165.25			11904	Lucedale	269	\$67.25	\$100.00	\$167.25		
5756	Starkville	68	\$17.00	\$100.00	\$117.00			11934	Gluckstad	173	\$43.25	\$100.00	\$143.25		
5872	Picayune	296	\$73.75	\$100.00	\$173.75			11956	Columbia	282	\$68.50	\$100.00	\$168.50		
7087	Kiln	312	\$78.00	\$100.00	\$178.00			11996	Pass Christian	314	\$78.50	\$100.00	\$178.50		
7120	Southaven	99	\$24.75	\$100.00	\$124.75			12186	Pascagoula	336	\$84.00	\$100.00	\$184.00		
7211	Lumberton	288	\$64.50	\$100.00	\$164.50			12271	Gulfport	304	\$78.00	\$100.00	\$178.00		
7854	Clinton	198	\$49.50	\$100.00	\$149.50			12331	Pass Christian	314	\$78.50	\$100.00	\$178.50		
7910	Gulfport	304	\$78.00	\$100.00	\$178.00			13471	Philadelphia	129	\$32.25	\$100.00	\$132.25		
7916	Brookhaven	246	\$61.50	\$100.00	\$161.50			13602	Batesville/Sardis	74	\$18.50	\$100.00	\$118.50		
7974	Columbus	63	\$15.75	\$100.00	\$115.75			13936	Tylertown	291	\$72.75	\$100.00	\$172.75		
									Total						\$9,099.75

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Sukanek, Chairman

CEREMONIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

This year's Ceremonial's Committee met at the Tupelo Convention Center Office Complex Conference room on April 29 2006. The committee started with a prayer and commended the Tupelo council on the terrific job they did coordinating this year's convention. They then reviewed and discussed the minutes of past meetings and ideas for future improvements. They also discussed how the "recertification" of the First Degree teams was going and the desperate need for at least one more Conferring Officer for the Third Degree and the need for additional team members on all the exemplification teams. The following suggestions for possible improvements were provided:

1. Do not hold a First Degree Exemplification on the same day as a Second and Third Degree exemplification. Having all three on the same day makes it too long of a day for the participants. Instead, the Councils should hold a First Degree Exemplification a few days to a week before the major exemplification.
2. Update the First Degree Team website as the new teams are certified.
3. Have no more than one major exemplification (Second and Third) in each region per quarter.
4. Recommend that the State Master of the Fourth Degree petition Supreme to waive the requirement to wear a tuxedo once each year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gerald Schmuck, Committee Chairman
Ron Kopacz, DD#2
John Bennett, GK Council 802
Bill Jarrett PGK Council 1908
Glenn Carson Council 9409
Harry Smith, GK Council 11956

STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee met and offered the following:

- Current convention chairman should forward all data to next year's chairman.
- Develop a convention booklet to be placed on State web site.
- State convention committee to help local chairman.
- Have two separate registration areas. One for members and the other for State officers and delegates.
- Pre-registration for convention needs to be emphasized.
- Recommend Biloxi take 2008 convention.
- Kiln council may not be ready for 2009 convention. Recommend Jackson (2010) swapping with them. (If Jackson is willing)
- Cut back bid for convention to 4 years out.

Respectfully submitted,
Pick Noble, Chairman
Members:
Daniel Lechner, St. Sec.
Marion J McCraw, DD#5
Authur Dunn, DD#11
Luther Gollott, Council 1244
Jim Hoda, GK Council 7087

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

It has been a rewarding year for me to serve as State Council Director. I attended the Mid Winter Meeting offered my support and assistance to all councils in attendance. At the 2006 State Convention in Tupelo, Ms. I chaired the Council Activity Committee. The committee met at 1:00 PM on Saturday April 29, 2006. The Committee Members were:

Thomas P. EASTER Council 1244
Neal L. SKINNER Council 6592
Marcel CRUDELE Council 8848
Kenny ROTENBERRY Council 9543
David STENGEL Council 13502

Andrew T. HURST Council 158
Stephen MARTINOLICH Council 7854
Mark FONTENOT Council 9094
Rhett MAYNARD Council 11995

All members were present and voted to select the best entry for Council Activity of The Year, the best entry for Knight of the Year and the best entry for The Family of the Year. This proved to be a very difficult task. As one member stated that all the entries were winners. One really doesn't realize how much the Knights do throughout the year until you start to pick the best from all the entries. A very difficult task indeed!

Respectfully Submitted By:

Raymond G. Ball
State Council Director

PROLIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

The delegates comprising the prolife committee engaged in a live discussion covering several topics. First we discussed that being prolife means not just opposing abortion but respecting every stage and aspect of human life. It encompasses opposing assisted suicide, euthanasia, and the right to die advocates. One member reported that he heard a news story that reported many Catholics in California support euthanasia. We must remember that the teachings of the church consistently support the dignity of all life. When such issues arise in the media our clergy need to specifically relate these church teachings to those who may have forgotten them.

We discussed some of the prolife activities the councils had undertaken in the last year. Some thought that enthusiasm for prolife programs has been decreasing over the years. The prolife crosses were erected in the Jackson area and were very impressive. An important component of this project is good publicity to relate what the crosses represent and ask people to examine their consciences regarding the toll of abortion not just on the innocent infants but on the entire family, the community and society. Council 802 in Meridian placed a prolife tombstone in front of their council home. The Adoption Option Classic Golf Tournaments are another excellent activity but would they be as successful if the theme was the respect of the end of life issues such as assisted suicide and euthanasia? Council 802 has also placed prolife billboard panels obtained from the Supreme Council on the billboard that they own. Prayer services have been scheduled by the Fourth Degree at the tomb of the unborn, which was placed at the Mississippi-Alabama highway rest stop on the coast. Council 8054 in McComb has been assisting the crisis pregnancy centers in town. Some councils have tried to get schools to show films to teenagers that depict the true costs and effects of abortion. Such films are available from the Supreme Council. Other good activities mentioned were Life Chains with signs where people gather in a public place to pray for prolife causes and Prolife Vigil Masses. If you can do nothing else, you can pray for a greater respect for human life.

The delegates believed that the prolife materials available from Supreme need to be revised and updated to address the how the lack of respect for human life by children and teenagers can result in tragic incidents such as the school shootings in Littleton, Colorado; Pearl, Mississippi; Kentucky and elsewhere. Our prolife programs should be more closely linked to Pope John Paul II's "Culture of Death" teachings. Education is the key to combating lack of respect for human life. Parents, pastors and educators need to relate prolife and respect for life issues. Some delegates believed that a big problem was that parents are afraid to properly discipline their children for fear of lawsuits.

The delegates believed that since sex education instruction in schools focuses on the physical aspect of sexual relations, it is insufficient since moral issues are not discussed and explored. Such a narrow emphasis may merely encourage teenagers to engage in safe sex. Sex education should begin in the home and parents need to discuss the moral and religious issues associated with sex. Good school programs such as those in Monroe, Louisiana and at Pass Christian High School where senior boys and girls are paired as couples and given a baby doll to take care of help students comprehend the enormous commitment required to care for children.

Some of the delegates believed that doctors who assist in suicides are violating the Hippocratic oath which says doctors should comfort, soothe and support those in pain. People should die with dignity. Life is an eternity but being alive is only a part of life. None of us know how or where or when our life or that of our family members and relatives will end. So, it is very important that each family should discuss the end of life issues and decisions with each other so each members intentions can be respected and implemented if they are in a condition where they cannot specifically express them. Everyone needs to discuss under what circumstances they want their family members to end life support measures.

Another prolife issue concerns handicapped individuals. Jesus taught us to minister to all those in need. Our activities to help handicapped people show others that we are committed to supporting quality of life issues. Many people probably don't consider these as prolife activities.

The last topic we discussed, capital punishment, is a difficult one for many Catholics. The end result of it, an execution, results in a loss of life just like abortion, assisted suicide and euthanasia. Many people consider themselves prolife but favor capital punishment. Perhaps this is so because those sentenced to death have been convicted of violent crimes and are not innocent victims like aborted babies or those suffering from tremendous pain due to illness. They are fully responsible for their actions. The Catholic Church advocates that respect for life is "a seamless garment" from conception until natural death. In the past the Catholic Church has held that capital punishment was necessary if there was no other way to protect society from such evil, violent individuals who pose a threat to other members of society. With the advent of life in prison without the chance of parole sentencing, society is protected from these individuals and thus execution is no longer necessary. It is a difficult issue as people cite Old Testament bible verses such as "an eye for an eye" demanding revenge and equal punishment. Victim's families believe executions are necessary for proper punishment. There is nothing society can do to bring back their loved ones and short of this there is really no restitution. Does one death sanction or justify another? Under what circumstances are we justified in taking another life? Most of us would agree that such dire actions are only justified if our own life or that of a family member is in imminent danger. Our church teaches that only God can create and take life. It is a difficult issue that we can only discern through much prayer and careful consideration.

In conclusion we said a prayer for our State Prolife Couple, Antoine and Betty Otto who could not be with us due to health problems.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Riecke, DD#5, Acting Chairman
Dr. Luis Borrell, DD #4
Leonard Nahlen, Council 4898
Robert Boney, Council 1244
Fred Roquemore, Council 7854
John Leonhard, Council 7910
Les Jordan, Council 8054
Rhett Maynard, Council 11995
Ronald Ola, Council 5267
John Czarnetsky, Council 10901

Resolutions Committee Report

The Resolutions Committee met in the Mississippi room of the Tupelo Convention Center on Friday 28 April 2006 at 10:00 p.m. The following members were present:

Gerald Schmuck – State Advocate – Chairman
Richard Lieding IPSD
Guy Todaro PSD
Thomas Zettler PSD
Kenneth Broussard GK Council 1605

The eleven resolutions submitted to the committee with the Committee's recommendations follow this report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerald Schmuck
State Advocate

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
Of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION No. 1

Whereas,

The 2006 Annual State Convention of the Mississippi jurisdiction was scheduled to be held in Biloxi MS, and

Whereas,

The Mississippi Gulf Coast was devastated by hurricane Katrina on 29 August 2005, and

Whereas,

Council 8848 Tupelo graciously volunteered in this emergency to take on the planning to host the convention at their location, and

Whereas,

The officers, members, and their wives of Council 8848 have arranged to host an outstanding convention on such short notice,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the sincere appreciation of those in attendance be extended to Council 8848 Tupelo for the superior manner in which they discharged their responsibility at this convention.

Recommendation: *Adopt*

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by 2006 MS Gulf Coast Convention Committee)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION NO. 2

Whereas,
Brother John A. Harrison, Jr., Supreme Director and his lovely wife Anne have honored this State Convention with their presence, and

Whereas,
Brother Harrison is a Supreme Director of the Knights of Columbus, and Past State Deputy of the North Carolina Jurisdiction, and

Whereas,
We, the delegates of the Mississippi State Council, realize that Brother Harrison's address at the Convention Banquet will be extremely informative and well received by all,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,
That the Mississippi State Council expresses its sincere appreciation to Brother Harrison and his wife Anne and extends to them a cordial invitation to return to our Jurisdiction whenever they may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by Gerald Schmuck, State Advocate)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
Of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION No. 3

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order and considered as the strong right arm of the Catholic Church, and

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council provides superb guidance and service to its more than 1.7 million members,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus sincerely appreciates the efforts of Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, his fellow Supreme Officers, Board of Directors, and Supreme Office Staff, and expresses its gratitude for their leadership and inspiration in furthering the cause of Columbianism, and

Be it Further Resolved,

That we pledge our loyalty and appreciation to our Worthy Supreme Knight Carl Anderson for all he has done in the name of our Order, and pray for his continued progress in leading our Order to greater successes.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by State Officers)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
Of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION No. 4

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Forty-Second Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution adopted at the State Convention held in Natchez, and

Whereas,

Members from throughout the Jurisdiction participated in the tournament, and

Whereas,

It is the express desire by vote of the participants to hold this activity again during the 2006-2007 fraternal year,

Now, Therefore be it Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council sponsors, at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi State Knights of Columbus Forty-Third Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament for its membership, said tournament to carry the official sanction of the United States 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. The chairman of the bowling tournament will give a report at the State convention, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council presents, 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: Refer to State Deputy

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by Gerald Schmuck, State Advocate)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION NO. 5

Whereas,

The members of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus desire to participate in an annual golf tournament to foster fraternity and sportsmanship,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council sponsors, at no expense to itself, the official Mississippi State Knights of Columbus Annual Golf Tournament for its membership. 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. The chairman of the golf tournament will give a report at the State Convention, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That this State Golf Tournament is not to be confused with nor take the place of the annual golf tournament held in conjunction with State Conventions, and

Be It Further Resolved,

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

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by Gerald Schmuck, State Advocate)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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Resolution No. 6

Whereas,

Article IV, Section 5 of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws state that the expenses of the State Officers, State Membership Director, State Program Director, the five Service Program Directors, Delegates, District Deputies, and Past State Deputies shall be determined by resolution at each State Council Meeting for the ensuing annual meeting, and

Whereas,

Biloxi Council 1244 has graciously accepted the responsibility of hosting the 103rd Annual State Convention of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus, and

Whereas,

As a result of Hurricane Katrina the hotel availability and current room rates are exceptionally high on the Mississippi Gulf Coast,

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 only are hereby set and established to be paid at the rate of \$75.00 per day for two days, plus mileage at \$0.25 per mile one-way, to be based on mileage figures furnished by the Mississippi State Highway Department, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That Past State Deputies in attendance are to be paid a per diem of \$75.00 per day for two days and no allowance for mileage.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by Gerald Schmuck, State Advocate)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION No. 7

Whereas,

Our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, has served with distinction for the past twelve months as head of the Catholic Church, and

Whereas,

Pope Benedict XVI has been an inspiration to us all and has led the Catholic Church with exemplary spiritual guidance,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus reaffirms its oath of loyalty and allegiance to the Vicar of Christ, Pope Benedict XVI and passionately pray for his continued good health and continued guidance to the Holy Catholic Church.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by: Danny Lechner State Secretary)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION No. 8

Whereas,

Hurricane Katrina descended upon the Mississippi Gulf Coast on August 29, 2005, causing 261 deaths and catastrophic destruction along the three coastal counties, and

Whereas,

Over 2500 Knights of Columbus reside in the affected area and were directly impacted by the storm's wrath and destruction, and many lives were disrupted by loss of homes, businesses, and employment, and

Whereas,

The Biloxi and Jackson Dioceses serving the faithful people of Mississippi suffered substantial loss to its churches, schools, and parish facilities; and

Whereas,

Immediately after the disaster struck this region, the Supreme Council and Board of Directors provided financial aid to Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi; and then established an aid program through the Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc., whereby contributions from individuals, Councils, and State Jurisdictions were combined with matching funds to provide grants administered by the State Councils, and

Whereas,

Donations to the Mississippi State Council Disaster Relief fund amounted to over 250 thousand dollars and was then distributed to many Knights in need; to the Catholic Schools for books; and to the Diocese's Volunteer Relief Worker Center to purchase food, and, essential and much needed household items and supplies were received from many councils and State Jurisdictions, some as far away as Saskatchewan, Canada, and

Whereas,

Many Knights throughout the Order have so graciously traveled to this area and volunteered their time and talents in the recovery, relief, and rebuilding efforts,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

The Mississippi Jurisdiction wishes to express its sincerest gratitude for the tremendous generosity shown by the Supreme Council and the many jurisdictions throughout the Order, and

Be It Further Resolved,

In appreciation for acts of charity, abundant prayers, and words of encouragement, the Knights of the Mississippi jurisdiction forever be thankful and humbled by the Order's show of support during our recovery from Hurricane Katrina, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Supreme Council transmits the appreciation of the Mississippi Jurisdiction to the other jurisdictions of the Order.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by: Larry Tabor, State Deputy)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION No. 9

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus has a long history of supporting the men and women in the armed forces of the United States, and

Whereas,

Many active members of the Knights of Columbus are or have been members of these armed forces, and

Whereas,

Members of the armed forces place their lives at risk to insure the safety and freedom of the residents of the United States,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus expresses its sincere appreciation to the dedicated men and women serving in the armed forces of the United States, and

Be it Further Resolved,

That the members of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus continue to pray for the safety of the men and women serving in said armed forces.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted Peter C. Sukanek, State Treasurer)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION No. 10

Whereas,

The Knights of Columbus as an organization of Christian men has long supported the Right to Life Movement, and

Whereas,

It is within the means of Knights to extend the lives of others through the donations of organs, and

Whereas,

The individual donor can even limit or specify which organs he desires to donate, and

Whereas,

The giving of organs for the preservation of life in other people can result in the donations from one individual effecting a new quality of life and an extended quality of life in as many as 50 other individuals,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Knights of Columbus of the State of Mississippi encourage, the participation of every Knight as a registered organ donor, and

Be It Further Resolved

That this cause shall be presented to the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus at its next annual convention in an effort to promote the adoption of organ donation on an Order wide level.

Recommendation: Adopt

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by Batesville, MS, Council # 13502 of the Knights of Columbus, Pascual Cruz, Grand Knight and Raymond Cole, ProLife Chairman)

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 102nd Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION No. 11

Whereas,

The Council Financial Secretary is appointed by the Supreme Knight for a three year term; and

Whereas,

The Financial Secretary serves as the Council Fraternal Benefits Advisor and the Council Promoter for the Order's Insurance Program; and

Whereas,

The Financial Secretary is charged with maintaining accurate membership records, dues receipts, bills, and communications of financial consequence; and

Whereas,

The Financial Secretary is the institutional memory of the Council, serves as special advisor to the Grand Knight, and is the principal liaison with the Supreme Council; and

Whereas,

The Financial Secretary is the backbone of the Council and provides hundreds of uncompensated and unrecognized hours of loyal service to his Council and the Order; and

Whereas,

The Supreme Council encourages, appreciates, and recognizes exceptional performance of the Order's members and officers; and

Whereas,

The Supreme Council recognizes Past Grand Knights, Past Faithful Navigators, Former District Deputies, Past State Deputies, Former Masters, Former Vice Supreme Masters, and Former Supreme Directors for their service to the Order with miniature jewels;

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved,

That the Mississippi jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus strongly recommends and requests that the Supreme Council establish, design, and make available for purchase to subordinate Councils, an appropriate miniature jewel and a certificate of appreciation to be presented to Council Financial Secretaries upon the successful completion of their three year term.

Recommendation: Reject

Action: Accept Recommendation

(Submitted by State Officers)

**STATE COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
CONVENTION REPORT**

The community committee met on 23 April 2005 at 1300 in the Convention Center, Mississippi Hall.

Attendance:

Chairman: Richard Greenwold

William N. Koepp
O'Neal Amedee
Lee Munsteutelger
Michael Butler
Lawrance Lainier
James Inabinet

The committee reviewed and voted on Best Community Activity project, Knight of the Year, and Family of the year.

The committee had no other concerns so we adjourned at 1400.

Vivat Jesus

Respectfully Submitted,
RICHARD E GREENWOLD
Community Director

Youth Committee Report

All members present

The committee recommended that DD's not using District Fee-throw medals should order them anyway and let them be used at the State Free-throw contest. More participation in the Poster contest (no cost). Also, more participation in the soccer contest.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Jones, Chairman

Grand Knight Reports

**Monsignor John J. Burns Council 802 Meridian
Grand Knight's Annual Report 2005/2006**

Council Officers

Chaplain	Father Matt Simmons	Advocate	P. J. Carter
Grand Knight	John Bennett	Lector	Jim Romano
Deputy Grand Knight	John Kasper	Trustee	Frank Polizzi, PGK
Financial Secretary	George Walston	Trustee	Bob Leo, DD
Chancellor	Russell Smothers	Trustee	David Kock, PGK
Treasurer	Mouise Richards, PGK	Inside Guard	David Smith
Warden	Dr. Richard Fleming	Outside Guard	John Maloney, Jr.
Recorder	John Harwell		

Program Activities: John Kasper Chairman

Council: Russell Smothers Chairman

New K of C first degree members 6

New K of C insurance members 2

All K of C council required reports submitted on time

Sponsored and maintained a certified first degree team

Published a monthly council newsletter and maintained council website

Member's socials second Tuesday each month

Members/family participated in K of C state bowling and golf tournaments

Delivered fruit baskets to hospitalized members and family

Conducted bingo weekly and raffle for softball team we sponsor as a fund raisers

Purchased weekly K of C advertisement in church bulletin

Memorial Day and Labor Day picnics for members and family

Member's horseshoe and pool tournaments

Member's recognition banquet

Professional baseball presentation by Ms Olive Webb-Corbett, widow of Skeeter Webb, shortstop for the 1945 World Series winning team

New Year's Eve and Super bowl parties for members and family

Programs on Patriotism and Drug/Awareness and K-9 partner Encounter followed by a social

Working party for K of C hall grounds clean up, outgoing church associate pastor and moved our Sister

Prepared/served the banquet dinner for the 4th degree exemplification

Church: Tom Zettler PSD Chairman

A saint of our church was highlighted at each business meeting

Columbus Day mass

Led the Stations of the Cross along with Knights of Peter Claver

Quarterly Corporate Communions

Praying the rosary after meetings, before weekend masses at St Patrick and St Joseph

Jan/Oct

First communion, R.C.I.A. and Mission breakfasts

Provided coffee and donuts after mass on Thanksgiving

Marion hour of prayer and Holy Thursday Gethsemane watch

Seven masses are said for deceased members and family

All Saints Day mass at St Patrick cemetery

Pro-Life adoration hour and attended the pro-life vigil in Jackson Jan 21

Gethsemane Watch on Holy Thursday evening

Participate in the Way of the Cross walk downtown Meridian on Good Friday

Displayed Keep Christ in Christmas and Easter bill board

Donations- support for two seminarians, gifts for clergy, Ladies sodality, National and Ms Right to Life

Community: Frank Polizzi, PGK Chairman

Participate in community leadership roles i.e. Director of KARIOS, Board member Red Cross, Dist committee member Boy Scouts vice Pres Central Labor Council, President National Association of Letters Carriers, President Meridian Symphony League, Director Close-Up program, Coach City softball and volley ball leagues, Cub Scout and Boy Scout leaders

Monthly Visitation to East Mississippi State hospital with snacks/drinks to patients

Took Santa Claus with presents to East Mississippi State hospital

Annual local community services award

Helped a family to clear a tree from her property

Members, wives/widows baked cookies for 52 shut-ins during Christmas

Family: Bob Leo, DD Chairman

Provided volunteers for Salvation Army bell ringers @ Wal-Mart

Christmas party for members children and grant children

Quarterly Family Corporate Communion at local church

Deceased members mass and Social

Valentine party for members and deceased member's wife's

Youth: Jim Romano Chairman

Creative Contraption kit, Columbus Day, Substance/ Alcohol Abuse Awareness poster contests

Seminars- MADD and DARE at St. Patrick's School

Toys for Children in Hospitals on Christmas

Local and State Free Throw Championships

Easter egg Hunt for St. Patrick's and St. Joseph

Donations- Pinewood Derby, Boy Scouts Troop, Graduation St. Patrick's 5th grade

Pro-Life: John Bennett GK Chairman

In accordance with the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, our council this year has expanded our Pro-Life issues. In God's eyes all life is precious from conception to natural death. This year our council's Lector presented an extensive program on the Culture of Life. Issues addressed were old age and the dignity of dying a natural death. A prime example illustrated was our recently deceased Pope John Paul. Cloning, embryo research misuse and of course abortion on demand in our country was discussed. This year our council sponsored a chartered bus with members of our Catholic community to Jackson, Ms on Jan 21, 2006 to participate in the annual Candle Light Vigil. The bus was at full capacity. Our council annually supports the Mississippi Pro-Life Memorial, Pro-Life of Mississippi National Pro-Life and Crisis Pregnancy Center with monies. Our council sponsors Bill Board at a controlled intersection that has an average thirty eight thousands (38,000) vehicles pass per day. The message is simple; the Knights of Columbus are Pro-Life. All Life Is Precious. In January each and every mass is preceded with Our Lady's Rosary recited by a member of our council. A brief dissertation of our Knights of Columbus's stand on abortion precedes the rosary. For our council The Culture of Life is a year round endeavor.

Respectfully submitted
John L. Bennett, Grant Knight

Council 848 None Submitted

**Vicksburg Council 898
Vicksburg, MS
Vince Chiarito**

Grand Knight.....	Vince Chiarito
Deputy Grand Knight.....	John Piazza
Chancellor	John Booth
Warden.....	Steve Busma
Advocate	Bill Ford
Financial Secretary	Chad Sonnek
Treasurer	Tom Chady
Recorder	Tom Setser
Trustee.....	Rory Ros
Trustee.....	Thomas Setser
Trustee.....	Jack Farren

Chaplain	Father Patrick Farrell
Inside Guard	Nolan Salassi
Inside Guard	Jim Wojtola
Outside Guard	Robert Foley
Outside Guard	Guillermo Riveros

Council 898 had a very successful year. Activities supported all five areas of the Knights of Columbus Service Program. A summary of key events and efforts to enhance membership are noted.

Membership Activities

Council 898 continued to hold First Degree Exemplifications consistently during the fraternal year. Even though the Council has shown a net loss at times during the last two years, the losses are a result of members leaving who were contacted several times and given many opportunities to retain their membership in our Order. The members who are dropped from our rolls are either out of town members who needed to transfer to the Council in their community or they have had life changing experiences that for one reason or another has affected their desire to retain membership in the Knights of Columbus. The Council only drops those members at their request and again only after all efforts are exhausted to give them an opportunity to reflect on their decision to resign their membership. Eight new members were added to the Council's rolls at our last First Degree Exemplification on Tuesday April 25, 2006. The Council hosted a members benefit program in August 2005, in conjunction with a Fifth Tuesday night and invited several potential new members. The Council consistently announces its activities in the local parish bulletins, as each parish allows.

Church Activities

The Council continued monthly breakfasts to benefit the Diocesan Mission Church in Saltillo, Mexico. The money raised is donated through the Diocese to the mission annually. The Council continues to raise money for the Priest Education Fund through both directly at the Council Home and through the help of the Council's Port Gibson Round Table. Most of the Special Ministers of Holy Communion in the Vicksburg Catholic Community are either members of the Council or related family to the Council members. This past year members of the Council help support the start of an active Hispanic ministry. The Council supported two seminarians and raised additional funds to help cover additional expenses upon their ordination. Last October the Council hosted a special steak (and fish for some) dinner during the priests' convocation convened in Vicksburg.

Council Activities

The Council meets weekly and members pray the rosary before each regular meeting. A special meal and program entertains the Council each time a fifth Tuesday occurs (i.e., five Tuesdays in a month). Also, the Council hosts an annual draw-down in the fall and the six Fridays of Lent catfish dinners following the Station of the Cross to benefit the Council's ability to support all service programs. This year on the two Fridays before Lent two extra catfish dinners were held to support a local community charity. Efforts continued to enhance the Council's projects with new ideas. The monthly newsletter was made available to all members with access to the Internet. Emails are sent consistently to all members with email addresses alerting them of weekly events. Monthly

golf scrambles are organized – for these family members of current and potential members were always welcomed. The Council held its annual Memorial Mass in honor of our deceased Brothers who passed away during the past year.

Community Activities

The Council continued Meals on Wheels program including the preparation and delivery of meals. The Council decorated and entered a float in the annual city Mardi Gras Parade. Members prepared and served refreshments at local events including the Miss Vicksburg Beauty Pageant and the Run Through History (10K run, 5K walk, 1-mile run). The Council also assisted the evacuees following the aftermath of Katrina and still continues to help through financial and personal labor by members supporting on their own. The Council conducted a Tootsie Roll Drive and raised over \$1000 for the mentally challenged. Also, the Council supported a Bike-a-thon that benefited a Mississippi Multiple Sclerosis organization. The Council continued to care for others in need in the community by providing food to the local River City Rescue Mission. Any time the Council cooks for an event an effort is made to prepare extra food so that there is enough to provide for the Rescue Mission.

Family Activities

The Council recognized families throughout the year by participation in the Family of the Month Program. Families were recognized in the monthly newsletters and when special functions were held. Family activities included the annual Fourth of July and Labor Day Picnics on the Council Grounds. The Council also holds the much-acclaimed "Pool and Burger" event each Friday evening during the summer pool season. In January the Council participated in a Pro-Life activity where crosses were installed in full view of the passing road (with a banner displayed listing the statistics) for every reported victim of abortion in the Council's county. Families are always welcomed to join in reciting the rosary before each regular meeting.

Youth Activities

The Council sponsors a Boy Scout Troop, Squire Circle, and supports many other youth activities and groups from the local parishes, schools, and groups. The Council held the annual Free-throw Contest for youth. The Squires hosted the annual super bowl party Following the Free-throw event. The Council also supports many school projects at the Vicksburg Catholic Schools including cooking for the Play-A-Day-Away-In-May-Away fundraising festival. The Council hosted an annual Children's Christmas Party and Children's Easter Egg Hunt at the Council home. The Council continued to provide the fields for youth activities through the year for sports such as soccer and baseball.

Respectfully Submitted,
Vince Chiarito
Grand Knight

Council 1034 None Submitted

BILOXI COUNCIL 1244
GRANDKNIGHTSREPORT
March 2006

The fraternal year of 2005-2006 has been unusual to say the least. We had excellent participation at every event in spite of the tremendous loss of property by our members. An informal poll indicated that over 50% of our Brother Knights had either totally lost their homes or their homes were uninhabitable due to the storm. This group of men and their families have come together to demonstrate the true meaning of the Knights of Columbus.

We have had 30 or so projects or events this year, which are chronicled in the accompanying reports. Some highlights;

Unloading and delivering hurricane relief supplies that were brought to us by Council 6624 of Kissimmee Florida.

The toy run has grown from a *local* project to a diocese wide event. This year we distributed between 20 and 25 thousand dollars worth of toys *and* money to the needy.

With our reconstruction of the hall we are plan to remodel the hall and kitchen this year to better accommodate the many council and community activities we have planned.

Two of our Brothers who were less affected by the storm anonymously contributed \$2000 to a Grand Knight's relief fund, which was distributed to Brothers in need within weeks after the storm and before other aid, was available.

Council 1 244 is active and rebounding at this time. My thanks to the many Brother Knights and their families who have worked hard in spite of personal loss to help us regain our position of leadership and giving in the Biloxi community.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas P. Easter
Grand Knight 1244

**Council 1522
Bay St. Louis
Grand Knight's Report**

Our 2005 – 2006 FRATERNAL YEAR OFFICERS were:

CHAPLAIN	REVEREND FATHER ROBERT FISHER, SVD
GRAND KNIGHT	MEL ESTRADA
DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT	TONY DIXON
CHANCELLOR	JOHN GLEBER
RECORDER	ROY BROCATO
TREASURER	LES BRIGGS
ADVOCATE	BILL KANE, PGK
WARDEN	DAVE ZUKOWSKI
INSIDE GUARD	WILLIE BOYE
INSIDE GUARD	FRANK SCHIRO
OUTSIDE GUARD	GERRY WEST
OUTSIDE GUARD	GILBERT TOSSO
ONE YEAR TRUSTEE	BERT YOUNG
TWO YEAR TRUSTEE	MILTON TOWNSEND
THREE YEAR TRUSTEE	MIKE MARSH
FINANCIAL SECRETARY	ELMER MARSH
LECTURER	EDDY MOREL, PGK

On Saturday, August 27th, 2005, we gathered for our Day of Recollection at the Father William J. Kelley, SVD, Retreat Center, Vigil Mass and Installation of Officers at Saint Augustine Seminary Chapel, and Reception at Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center. On Sunday, August 28th, 2005, we, in our own way, prepared or completed preparations for the coming of Hurricane Katrina. On Monday, August 29th, 2005, we experienced Hurricane Katrina. On Tuesday, August 30th, 2005, we began our Post-Hurricane Katrina lives.

On Monday, January 16th, 2006, we held our First Formal Council Meeting for the Post-Hurricane Katrina 2005 – 2006 Fraternal Year. The significance and impact of this meeting was yet to be known. In faith, this meeting was called; with hope, we prayed that this meeting would help direct our future; and, with Christ-like charity, we conducted ourselves as those men called "Knights".

Due to Katrina, we suffered loss of officers, members, property, and opportunity to proudly serve our community as we had in the past. Meetings were held, informal and small, in a tent or member's workshop. We revived our newsletter, informing our members and other Councils that we were still a Council, temporarily displaced, but not destroyed. As of this writing, we have not regained the number of officers and members as we had in pre-Katrina times. We continue to struggle to make this ninety-six year old Council viable once again in the South Hancock County community.

Shortly after Katrina, Brothers Tony Dixon, DGK, Elmer Marsh, FS, and Milton Townsend, Trustee, began what was to become a commitment to live the virtues and qualities of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. The corporal and spiritual works of mercy were clearly demonstrated by these Brother Knights. Some time later, other Pere Le Duc Council 1522 members followed their lead and example. Soon many folks in South Hancock County once again had shelter, food, and clothing.

In the post-Hurricane Katrina era, our Council, through the efforts of Brother Tony Dixon, DGK, as our Council's "Disaster Relief Coordinator," processed over 58,560 man-hours of volunteers, as well as over 2,400 hours that he himself volunteered. This time represented \$821,664 donated to the Diocese of Biloxi. Our Council received \$47,500 worth of materials and tools from Brother Knights, Councils, and other benefactors to distribute to the people of South Hancock County.

I'll leave you with these thoughts from Saint Paul (Phil 4:12-14, 19-20): "I know how to live in humble circumstances: I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in Him who strengthens me. My God will fully supply whatever you/I need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen"

Thank you to all our Brother Knights and benefactors who unselfishly contributed to the well-being of others in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, in particular in our South Hancock County footprint. VIVAT JESUS!

Respectfully submitted,
Melvin D. Estrade
Grand Knight

Council 1583 None Submitted

Council 1605 None Submitted

**BISHOP FAHEY COUNCIL 1908
HATTIESBURG MS.
2005-2006**

Council Officers

Grand Knight	Larry Grant
Dpty. Grand Knight	Robert Lawson
Financial Secretary	Bud Browning
Chancellor	Bill Jarrett
Treasurer	John Snead
Advocate	Brian McCrory
Recorder	Bill Parker
Warden	Lynn Landrum
Guard	Ron Overholtz
Guard	Anthony Abrams
Trustee	John Krumpas
Trustee	Ben Velasquez
Trustee	Joe Yore

This is our 88th year as a Council. As of March 31, 2006 our Council consisted of 99 associate members, 40 insurance members and included 11 Honorary/Honorary Life members. We publish a newsletter and maintain a web site. At the State Convention held in April 2005 the Council was recognized as follows: Top Gun Award; Stellar Council; Christopher Award, Seminarian Trust Fund Award, and Highest % Gain in Insurance Members Award. We also achieved Star Council status. Several council activities were recognized; Best Church Activity- Hospital Communion Ministry, Best Family Activity -Honoring Grandparents, Best Vocation Activity in Diocese-Lenten Fish Fries for Seminarian Education, Second Best Council Activity-Weekly Eucharist Adoration and Best Newsletter-Large Councils. We achieved the highest percentage gain in Life Insurance Members and received the Seminarian Education Trust Fund Award. The Lawson Family, our DGK, was recognized as State Family of the Year. Activities included:

Church Activities - Joe Yore Director:

Attended Weekly Eucharist Adoration
Hospital Communion Ministry
Led Scriptural Rosary Weekly in May and October
Donations to Two Parishes for Katrina Damages
Members Serve on Parish Council and Parish Committees

Vocations Activities - John Krumpas Director:
Lenten Fish Fries to Support Seminarian Education
Prayer For Vocations at each Council meeting
Weekly Vocations Prayer by Families at Home

Pro-Life Activities - Lynn Landrum Director:
Rosary for Life at each Meeting
Respect Life ceremony in October after Mass
Rosary at Abortion Clinic in January

Community Activities - William Jarrett Director:
Fundraising for Mentally Challenged
Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Program
Community Volunteer Tax Assistance Programs
Bingo for seniors and Mentally Challenged
University Catholic Faculty/Student Cookout
Breadbasket Program for Needy Families
Participated in Katrina Relief Efforts

Council Activities - John Sneed Director:
Family of the Month, Knight of the Quarter
Monthly Mass for Living and Deceased Members
Participate in Parish Ministry Fairs
Donation to Catholic School for Katrina Repairs
Participated in Social for Camp Shelby Troops
Cooked for Parish Cleanup Day
Built Parish Nursery Play Area
Painted/Cleanup/Landscaped Parish Building
Joint Cookout with Neighboring Councils
Coffee/Donut Day after Mass at two Parishes

Youth Activities - Robert Lawson Director:
Sponsored Sacred Heart Cub Scout Pack #144 and Scout Troop #14
Donations to Sacred Heart School and School Endowment Funds
Free Throw Contest at Sacred Heart School
Essay Contest at Sacred Heart School
Recognized Altar Servers from two Parishes
Sponsored Girls State Candidates
Council Property used by Area Scouts
Sponsored Youth Trip to Europe

Family Activities- Ben Velasquez Director:
Quarterly Corporate Communions
Joint Cookout with neighboring Councils
Coffee/donut Day after Mass at two Parishes

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Grant Grand Knight

Grand Knights's Report
Fr. Korstenbroek Council 2134
Greenville, Mississippi

Fr. Korstenbroek Council 2134 elected officers in the month of June with the officers installed on August 6, 2005 by District Deputy, Wayne Ebelhar. Officers installed included:

Chaplain	Fr. Richard Somers
Grand Knight	Wayne Ebelhar
Deputy Grand Knight	Hugh Rester
Financial Secretary	Robert Fratesi, PSD
Chancellor	Larry Moore
Recorder	Maynard Chandler
Treasurer	Dick Clark
Advocate	George Walston
Warden	Ken Hughes
Inside Guard	John Welch
Outside Guard	Bernard Brown
1 yr Trustee	Steve Bennett
2 yr Trustee	Bill Koeppe
3 yr Trustee	Ray Millwood

The following members serve as Committee Chairman along with the Grand Knight

Program Director	Hugh Rester
Church Director	Ray Millwood
Community Director	Dick Clark
Council Director	Guy Mandolini
Youth Director	Larry Moore
Family Director	Mark Dibiase

Council 2134 continues to strive for activities in all areas and met all mandatory requirements for consideration in state awards.

A summary of program activities in each area are as follows:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

- Participated in the life of St. Joseph Parish by serving as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Community Leaders, Ushers, Gift Bearers, Parish Council, and many other areas
- Participated in Supreme's Marion Hour of Prayer (Divine Mercy Icon)
- Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast and Mission Mississippi Prayer Breakfast
- Team Members for RCIA and also candidate sponsors
- Participated in Community-wide Ecumenical Stations of the Cross
- Pentecost Sunday Outdoor Mass and Picnic Celebration
- Mardi Gras Pancake Supper

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

- Participate in Supreme's "Day of the Unborn Child" (Divine Mercy Sunday)
- Conducted a People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive (Tootsie Roll)
- Sponsored, Assisted, and Donated at church and community Blood Drive
- Volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and collect aluminum cans for recycling
- Visiting the sick, elderly, and shut-ins
- Assist with food and clothing through St. Vincent De Paul Society
- Participate in community leadership roles, ie Chamber of Commerce, Red Cross of Mississippi Blood Services, Habitat for Humanity, Rotary, Lions, etc

- Parish Fair and Spaghetti Dinner
- Participated in Relay for Life (American Cancer Society)

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

- Conducted membership drive
- Held a Knights of Columbus Recognition Night
- Recognized Knight of the Year and Family of the Year for the Council
- Hosted two horseshoe Tournaments (Mixed doubles)
- Conducted a Marion Hour of Prayer Program during the year
- Leadership and man-hours for St. Joseph Parish Fair and Spaghetti Dinner (Booth set-up, Booth Chairman, Spaghetti Dinner, Financial Secretary, Etc)
- Priest Education Fund Spaghetti Dinner (Fund raiser)
- KC Cooking Team - Cooked for several events throughout the year
- Participated in KC Bowling Tournament (Not held in 2006)
- Conducted annual Italian sausage sale at Christmas

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

- Sponsored KC Family Corporate Communion
- Participated in Supreme's Family of the Month and Selected Family of the Year
- Sponsored a family Event - Halloween Party, Hayride, and Bonfire
- Mardi Gras Pancake Supper
- Friday Night Catfish Dinners during Lent
- Thanksgiving Morning Breakfast
- Parish Fair and Spaghetti Dinner

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- Sponsored a Columbian Squire Circle
- Supported and provided leadership for CYO at St. Joseph Catholic Church
- Sponsored Halloween Party, hayride, and bonfire
- Participated in youth scholarship program (Awarded E. J. Lueckenbach Scholarship)
- Provided leadership for Scouting and other youth programs

As our fraternal year draws to a close we take time to thank the men we call Knights of Columbus. Our council continues to be active in the all aspects of service. Our membership has decreased in the past year but anticipate growth for the upcoming year. We are looking for young men to continue the work of the Knights and have plans to certify a first degree team for our council. We are proud to have selected DGK Hugh Rester, his wife Stephanie, and their children as our Family of the Year. We even prouder that they were selected as he Family of the Year at the state convention. We continue to be men of service!

Faternally

Wayne Ebelhar
Grand Knight

**Grand Knight's Report
Laurel Council 2180
Laurel, Mississippi
2005-2006**

On July 16, 2005, the duly elected and appointed officers for the 2005-2006 Fraternal year were installed by our own, Don Schwartz, Past District Deputy (#8) at a reception for Brother Knights, their wives and guests in the Parish Hall.

The following officers installed are:

Chaplain	Father Mike Thornton
Grand Knight	Bob Webb
Deputy Grand Knight	Vacant
Chancellor	Pete Mazzanti
Recorder	Dan Nelson
Treasurer	Joe Flick
Financial Secretary	Bill Gatzman
Advocate	Tommy Williams
Warden	Mike Ishee
Inside Guard	David Hughes Jr.
Outside Guard	Vacant
3 rd Year Trustee	Bud Herring
2 nd Year Trustee	Don Schwartz
1 st Year Trustee	Glenn Waguespak
Program Director	Vacant (Acting Bill Gatzman)
Membership Director	Robert D. Webb
Pro-Life Chairpersons	William & Lillian Gulley
Knight of the Year 2004-2005	Pete Mazzanti
Family of the Year 2004-2005	Rich and Cathy Hollingsworth
Knight of the Year 2005-2006	Bill Gatzman
Family of the Year 2005-2006	Don and Clara Schwartz

SUMMARY OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES: VACANT ACTING CHAIRMAN BILL GATZMAN

1. COLLECT FOR CHRISTMAS BASKET
2. GUMBO SALE FOR PRIEST EDUCATION FUND
3. KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS - BILLBOARD
4. LEAD ROSARY BEFORE MASS- MONTHS OF MAY & OCTOBER
5. REPAIR & IMPROVE PARISH FACILITIES
6. SPONSORED POT-LUCK DINNER FOR PARISH MISSION
7. QUARTERLY FAMILY COMMUNION MASSES
8. MONTHLY FAMILY COMMUNION MASSES

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: DON SCHWARTZ CHAIRMAN

1. KEEP UP PARISH MEMORIAL GARDEN
2. MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST PROCEEDS TO ASSIST TWO SEMINARIANS
3. PARTICIPATE IN SEMI-ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVES (2)
4. POT LUCK SUPPER/ COLLECT SUPPLIES FOR DOMESTIC ABUSE SHELTER
5. PRO LIFE ROSARY & MASS, PARTICIPATE IN PRO LIFE CHAIN
6. PURCHASE TICKET TO SUPPORT ICS DRAWN DOWN FUND RAISER
7. SCHOOL FAIR – SET UP & TAKE DOWN
8. SPONSOR LENTEN SOUP SUPPER
9. TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE
10. VOLUNTEER IN ST. VINCENT'S DE PAUL'S STORE
11. VOLUNTEERS HELP COOK FOR ICS "PAUL ELIAS BASS TOURNAMENT"
12. WEEKLY VOLUNTEER HELP FOR CHRISTIAN FOOD MISSION(3)

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: CHARLIE RAWLS, CHAIRMAN

1. 1ST DEGREE TEAM
2. CONDUCTED A 1ST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION
3. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
4. MEMBERSHIP DRIVE (2)
5. MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED KNIGHTS
6. MONTHLY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER
7. MONTHLY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
8. MONTHLY KNIGHT OF THE MONTH
9. MONTHLY PANCAKE BREAKFAST
10. PIG ROAST & AWARDS DINNER

FAMILY ACTIVITIES: DAN NELSON, CHAIRMAN

1. ADOPTED FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS
2. ANNUAL FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD
3. MARDI GRAS PARTY
4. SUBMIT FAMILY OF THE YEAR AT STATE CONVENTION
5. QUARTERLY FAMILY COMMUNION MASS
6. PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK
7. ST. NICK CHRISTMAS PARTY
8. COORDINATED FAMILY ACTIVITIES

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: GLEN WAGUESPAK, CHAIRMAN

1. ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT
2. PANCAKE BREAKFAST CYO SENIOR RETREAT
3. SUPPORT PARISH YOUTH ACTIVITIES
4. PARTICIPATED IN ANNUAL SKI TRIP
5. PURCHASE TICKET TO SUPPORT ICS-SCHOOL DRAWN DOWN FUND RAISER
6. VOLUNTEERS HELP COOK FOR ICS-SCHOOL "PAUL ELIAS BASS TOURNAMENT" FUND RAISER
7. SET AND TAKE DOWN FOR ICS-SCHOOL FAIR
8. SUPPORT CCD PROGRAM (MEMBERS TAUGHT CLASSES)

PROLIFE ACTIVITIES: BILL AND LILLIAN GULLEY, PRO-LIFE COUPLE

1. PRO-LIFE ROSARY MASSES
2. LIFE CHAIN
3. PRO-LIFE DISPLAY
4. ARTICLES FOR NEWSLETTER

MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES: BOB WEBB, CHAIRMAN

1. RECRUITMENT
2. RETENTION
3. INSURANCE PROMOTION

As another fraternal year comes to an end, I would like to thank the members of Council 2180 for the honor and privilege of serving as Grand Knight. It has been a great experience for me; I am also humbled by the loyalty, dedication, kindness and generosity demonstrated by my Brother Knights. My heartfelt thanks to each of you for a job well done!

This past year has been a productive and rewarding year for Council 2180 as our Brothers were visible in all areas of parish and community life. We worked hard, accomplished a great deal and had fun along the way as we strived to strengthen our dedication and service to our Church, Community, Youth, Council and Family. I would like to thank all the officers and chairmen of the council and their families for their help and support during the year. I would like to especially thank our Past Grand Knight Bud Herring and his wife Nita, Past District Deputy Don Schwartz and Financial Secretary, Bill Gatzman for their leadership and guidance. Without them, we would not have achieved our many goals.

With God as our inspiration, may the coming year bring even greater achievements for our council and Brother Knights everywhere.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert D. Webb
Grand Knight

C.G. Shapley Council, No. 2945

P.O. Box 7
Leland, MS 38756
2005-2006

As of April 2006, we have a total of 47 members in our council, 42 active and 5 inactive members.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

1. Donated \$500.00 to the Priest Fund.
2. Purchased a \$100.00 raffle ticket for the Annual Parish Bazaar.
3. Has Masses offered for the Deceased Parish members.
4. Provided Liturgy Team, which includes Lector, Commentator, Ushers, Alter Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Gift Bearers for Sunday.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

1. Supplied the Christmas stockings at the annual parish Christmas Social.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

1. Sponsored Delegates to the Sate K.C. Convention.
2. Held a drawing for a cash prize at each meeting to encourage attendance at meetings.
3. Had a football pool raising \$1000.00.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

1. Held Honorary Dinner for Graduating Catholic High School Seniors of our Parish.
2. Presented Bibles to our Graduating Seniors.
3. Presented the C.G. Shapley Sportsmanship Award to a High School Senior.
4. Sponsored Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the young children of our parish.

FAMILY LIFE:

1. Held Memorial Services for the Deceased Members.
2. Held a Christmas Party and Social for members and wives.
3. Sent Get-Well cards, Anniversary Cards and New Parents Cards to members.

CONCLUSION:

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as Grand Knight of C. G. Shapley Council 2945. I would like to thank all the officers, Chairman and all the members of the council who worked hard to make this a very successful year.

Jimmy Sherman
Grand Knight

Council 2969 None Submitted

Council 4472 None Submitted

Council 4898 None Submitted

Council 5267 None Submitted

**Grand Knight Report
Father Rotondo Council #5556
Cleveland, Mississippi**

On June 29, 2005, duly elected and appointed officers were installed by Worthy Past State Deputy Tom Chady at a social for Brother Knights and their wives/guests at the KC Hall.

The following officers were installed:

Chaplain	Fr. Tom Lalor
Grand Knight	Billy Boswell II
Deputy Grand Knight	Luis Ybarra
Financial Secretary	Ben Bailey
Chancellor	Doug Cocilova
Recorder	Wayne Evrard
Treasurer	Jody Rocconi
Advocate	Fred Henry
Warden	Michael Lott
Inside Guard	Andrew Delles
Outside Guard	Florencio Ybarra
1 yr. Trustee	Johnny Capocaccia
2 yr. Trustee	Michael Aguzzi
3 yr. Trustee	Shea Skeen

The following members serve as committee chairmen:

Program Director	Luis Ybarra
Church Director	Ryan Short
Community Director	Michael Aguzzi
Membership Director	Johnny Capocaccia
Youth Director	Martin Bray
Family Director	Chuck Williamson
Retention Chairman	Ben Bailey

A summary of program activities in each area are as follows:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

- Masses for vocations
- Monthly "Bingo" for Priest Education Fund
- Masses for Pro-Life
- Brother Knights serve their church in various ways including the pastoral council, CCD teachers, ushers, lectors, choir members, Eucharistic ministers, and CYO sponsors.
- Sponsor a Round Table
- Participate in Marian Hour of Prayer
- Sponsor "Keep Christ in Christmas" billboard

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

- Quarterly donations to the local Sav-a-Life ministry
- Raised money for People with Intellectual Disabilities Program
- Blood drives
- Provided lunch for youth who participated in a local canned food drive
- Members serve on various civic groups including Exchange Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Park Commission leaders. Members include the Mayor and one alderman of Cleveland.
- Participate in Prison Ministry
- Help sponsor parish team for American Cancer Society Relay for Life

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

- Council has a Certified First Degree Team
- Held monthly social meetings
- Recognized Knight of the Year
- Special Mass and Breakfast for Knights

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

- Participated in the Supreme Family of the Month
- Submitted Family of the Year at State Convention
- Sponsor the mixed doubles bocce tournament
- Held a memorial mass for deceased members
- Donated money at Thanksgiving and Christmas to needy families

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- Supported the Parish CYO by preparing meal for CYO Canned Food Drive, and with monetary donations
- Allow local Boy Scout Troop to use KC Hall for meetings
- Sponsor an Alter Server Appreciation bowling party
- Sponsor a local Free Throw Contest

Our council is blessed with many active members including generations of family members who enjoy working together on various projects. Our membership continues to grow with the addition of 3 new members this year. We are happy to have a large group of young members as 40 of 196 members are under age 30.

Participating in special mass, bocce tournaments, blood drives, a spaghetti supper, and monthly socials keep our bonds of fraternity strong and results in a more unified council.

Fraternally,

Billy F. Boswell II
Grand Knight

Council 5654 None Submitted
Council 6555 None Submitted

**COUNCIL 6765
FATHER JOHN P. EGAN
GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT**

Membership

- 11 new members were added to our Council
 - 9 of them thru a First Degree Exemplification
 - 2 transferred in from other Councils

Church Activities

- > Provided financial assistance to 3 seminarians each month through RSVP program
- > Provided rosaries for RCIA members
- > Distributed Veritas Series "Prayer Time" A collection of devotional prayers to RCIA Class
- > Participated in the "Keep Christ in Christmas" Christmas card sales program
- > Active in many parish activities, including prayer services, adorations, stations of the cross, and rosaries
- > Provided a Pancake Breakfast on the first Sunday of each month, with proceeds earmarked for Vocations
- > Lead the Stations of the Cross during Lent
- > Pressure washed the church Sanctuary

Community Activities

- > Participated in pro-life activities
- > Organized and participated in a blood drives
- > Member serves on Advisory Board of Boys and Girls Club
- > Donated \$1000 to Katrina Relief
- > Several Members worked on the coast at St Ann's Church

Council Activities

- > Maintained a First Degree Team
- > Conducted 3 First Degree Exemplifications
- > Hosted a Major Degree in February
- > Participated in the Knight of the Month program
- > Sent out monthly newsletters/calendars
- > Sent Birthday Cards to all members during the year
- > Dinner and a Movie Night
- > Maintained a Council Email List

Family Activities

- > Participated in Parish Picnic, including setup, cooking and cleanup
- > Fish Dinner after the Stations of the Cross each week during Lent
- > Participated in the Family of the Month program
- > Had a Family Hotdog/Hamburger going away for our Seminarian.

Youth Activities

- > Supported Junior CYO, including a sponsoring and helping to conduct a one-day retreat
- > Council members serve as CCD instructors
- > Cooked monthly meals for the Catholic Student Association at Miss. State University
- > Council members serve as local leaders in Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts
- > Established a Youth Scholarship
- > Cooked monthly meals for the CYO and Junior CYO

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Sowers, Grand Knight

Knight of Columbus Oscar J. Gelpi Council 6872

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

APRIL 2005– MARCH 2006

We started this fraternal year out with a very successful Tootsie Roll Drive which we collected over \$4400.00 for the mentally handicapped. We also gave out over 500 carnations to the women in the parish for Mother's Day.

The weekly Bingo held at our hall continues to be a successful fund raiser for our Council. Profits from our bingo resulted in donations totaling \$69,338.00 to the following charities: St Vincent DePaul, Save a Life, Seminarian, Boy Scouts, St Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, Priest Education Fund, Ladies Auxiliary, Life Teen, MS Bike-a-Thon, Habitat for Humanity, and numerous other organizations in the Picayune and Pearl River County area. We continue to have our monthly socials sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary and a family of the month is honored at each social. Our Corporate communion precedes our Social, Saturday nights, which includes the Ladies Auxiliary, the wives and families of the Knights.

We had challenges this year, as did most of the coast with the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. The local council assisted the local police department by providing them with a place to run their operations until their building could be repaired. We also opened up our hall to visiting police, sheriffs and fire department personnel to use while working in Picayune for the 7 weeks after Katrina hit. Without this service they would have had no place to put these officers up at due to lack of motel/hotel rooms. This was one of our ways of supporting the community.

We presented over 235 food baskets at our annual thanksgiving food basket give -a-way and for Christmas we gave out over 110 baskets along with toys and clothing for families in need in the local area. A special Christmas party was held in December 2005 for the really needy children in our area. We gave away 35 new bicycles to these children.

In January 2006, the Council erected over 4,400 white crosses in the field adjacent to the church. The crosses represent the number of abortions committed in this country on a daily basis. The crosses are striking and dramatic and we have notice a couple of Protestant churches in the local area who have started putting up crosses in their church areas. This is an ongoing Council program.

We conducted two membership drives this past year which we have brought 8 new

Knights into our Council. We have also started a St Vincent's Breakfast every third Sunday to help supply more monies to help St. Vincent's out. With these hard times and fewer tax dollars more people are going to St Vincent's for help with food, utilities and other every day needs.

The duly elected Officers for the Fraternal year 2005-2006 Were:

Chaplain	Father Michael Snyder
Grand Knight	Michael Spencer
Deputy Grand Knight	Earl (E.J.) Favre
Chancellor	Jules Defourneaux
Treasurer	Alvin Lunn
Financial Secretary	Charles Cavalier
Recorder	Dave Schoust
Warden	Joe Wilder
Advocate	Walter Reese Gay
Inside Guard	Gene Fricke
Outside Guard	Jerry Cortez
3rd Year Trustee	William Deily
2nd Year Trustee	Gregory Balarillo
1 st Year Trustee	John Woods

Committee Directors:

Membership	William Deily
Programs	E.J. Favre
Church	
Community	Jules Defourneaux
Council	Al Chrisman
Family	John Hays
Youth	Michael Spencer

In Summary this has been a very good year for our Council. We continue to increase our membership and see all obstacles as an opportunity to excel with gods help.

Fraternally,
Michael G. Spencer
Grand Knight Council 6872

Council 7087 None Submitted

Grand Knights Report
Hernando Desoto Council 7120
785 Church Road
P.O. Box 361
Southaven, MS

This has *been* a tremendous year for our Parish and our council. We are experiencing phenomenal growth in and around our Parish which has provided us with quite a few opportunities to serve our Church. Due to the hard work and dedication of all the Brother Knights we managed to host or participate in 82 activities in one year. This has only been possible because of the willingness of our officers and gentlemen to give of their time and talents unceasingly. The following gentlemen have led our council this year:

Chaplain	Father Patrick J. Lloyd, S.C.J.
Grand Knight	Bill Sonnemann
Deputy GK	Dan Bicknell
Chancellor	Robert Purifoy
Recorder	Jerry Jewett
Treasurer (2005)	Jason Honeycutt
Treasurer (2006)	Vie Hageman
Financial Secretary	Jim Farris
Advocate	Terry Calvert
Warden	Jay Remke
Inside Guard	Slade Stratman
Outside Guard	Wayne Ivett
3 yr. Trustee	Larry Campbell
2 yr. Trustee	John Fiester
1 yr. Trustee	Jim Tarver
Lecturer	Vie Hageman
Program Dir.	Larry Campbell
Church Activities	Ron Kopacz
Council Activities	Dan Garrigan
Community Activities	Terry Calvert
Family Activities	Shawn Sawyer
Youth Activities	Dan Bicknell

These men as well as many other Brother Knights have truly shown what it means to be a Catholic Gentleman. It has been a privilege to learn from them and to try to keep up with them throughout this past year.

Here are just a few of the activities of the past year:

Church

Our Knights fill most of the positions every Saturday and Sunday for the Mass. Especially on Sunday when we have 16 Eucharistic Ministers and 12 Ushers /Greeters as well as Commentators and lectors it is quite a task just to fill these positions every week and the Knights along with our wives have led the way with service to our Church. We have once again raised funds for the Diocesan Priest Education Fund as well as the Sacred Heart Priest Education Fund. We are also pleased to fund and host numerous activities for the Church throughout the year from certificates for Altar Servers to dinners or refreshments for quite a few Church functions. We had the honor of serving at several occasions with our Bishop and 4th degree functions for the Divine Mercy Icon and for the Rite of Election for North Mississippi.

Community

Our Persons with Mental Disabilities drive was a huge success this year and we were pleased to present Desoto Industries with a substantial sum to help them with all they do for our "special kids". We sponsored a blood drive again and had very good participation in this. We also served on the planning board, the setup crew, the cleanup crew, the activities directors, and provided all the American cooking for the second annual Parish Festival this year. This was a tremendous undertaking and involved literally thousands of hours of preparation and work to raise money for our debt reduction program for our new Church.

Council

The Knights hosted a concession stand at Ole Miss as a fund raiser for council activities. We also hosted a program providing breakfast and plaques to honor returning veterans and their families who have served our Nation in a time of war. We hosted an annual Valentines Dinner for Knights and our wives and a Christmas Party for the Knights and all the Priests and Sisters who serve our Parish so well all year.

Family

Our Brother Knights served the families well this year. We hosted dinners during Lenten Fridays, family breakfasts every month and four Corporate Communions. We also sponsor memorial Masses for our Knights and their families when needed.

Youth

Our youth programs are experiencing as much growth as our new Church is. We hosted the local Soccer Challenge as well as the District Soccer Challenge, the local Free Throw Challenge and the District Free Throw, the poster contest and the essay contest. We served two different visiting youth programs which came to our area on Mission Trips and presented Rosaries to our new First Communicants. We also held a Keep Christ in Christmas program for the kids in our area with the Lighting of the Creche and Christmas Carols, hot chocolate and cookies for all.

These are just a few of the opportunities we've had this year to serve our Parish and our Priests. We are all looking forward to an even more active year ahead.

Vivat Jesus,
Bill Sonnemann,
Grand Knight Council 7120

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
Council 7211, LUMBERTON/POPLARVILLE
GRAND KNIGHT REPORT 2005-2006

During our 28th year of serving the Faith Communities of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Lumberton and St Joseph in Poplarville, the following members served as leaders for this Council:

Chaplin	Fr Ken Ramon/Landry
Grand Knight	Anthony Knue
Deputy Grand Knight	Bob Jackson
Chancellor	Wilson John
Recorder	Reggie Savoie
Treasurer	Frank Delaney
Advocate	Bob Zimprich
Arden	Sal Boscareno
Inside Guard	Louis Munsch
Outside Guard	Joe Didier
1 st yr. Trustee	Alberto Esquivel
2 nd yr. Trustee	Bob Sullivan
3 rd yr. Trustee	Lawrence Schlautman
Financial Secretary	Joe McQueen

All of our activities are divided between two Parishes, which gives us an opportunity to be of service to different aspects of Church and Community.

Listed below are activities our council has had in this fraternal year. CHURCH

ACTIVITIES

- Held Marian hour of prayer
- Served as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Greeters, and Altar Servers
- Lenten Soup Supper/Led Stations of the Cross
- Helped with St Joseph Day Altar
- Led rosary before mass during October
- Held a Memorial Mass for deceased brothers and wives of brother Knights
- Training and scheduling of Altar Servers
- Maintenance of Church Grounds and Buildings at both churches and cemetery
- Assist both Altar Societies
- Assist in St Vincent de Paul Store
- Conducted a vocations program
- Participated in RSVP Program
- Attested in Saltillo Mission
- Parish Rosary Service
- Parish Council

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Visit and entertain mentally challenged
- Quarterly Blood Drive

- Placed flags by grave for veterans on Veteran's Day
- Sponsored Christmas Party for the mentally challenged
- Support Pro-Life causes
- Participate in Adopt a Highway Program
- Hospital visits

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

- Two (2) Scholarships awarded annually
- Support Christian Children Fund
- Present Rosaries to those being Confirmed
- Sponsor CYO Group
- Conduct programs to educate youth in liturgical programs
- Sponsor drug awareness program
- Easter Egg Hunt for Children

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

- Attended School of Columbianism and Winter Meeting
- Monthly support to Morning Star
- Monthly support to Brothers Keeper
- Monthly support to seminarian
- Installation Ceremony and Dinner for new KC officers and Church family
- Held numerous Fundraisers

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- Support quarterly communion
- Assist widows of deceased members
- Hold Memorial Mass
- Sponsor Family Picnic and Soft ball game with youth

Respectfully Submitted,
W. Anthony Knue
Grand Knight

Council 7854 None Submitted

Council 7910 Grand Knight Report

Like all Councils in the "Katrina Zone", 7910 had a momentous year, some positive* some negative.

Our Parish, St. Joseph in Gulfport, was not as seriously impacted as many other parishes closer to the Gulf of Mexico, but many of our members and fellow parishioners suffered terrible damage. Both of our Past Chaplains, Father John Kelly, and Father Antone Lynch, were made homeless by the storm. Saddest of all, one of our handicapped brothers, Gerry Marshall, is listed as a Katrina fatality, as he past away while being evacuated from his extended care home.

Right from the start, the men of Council 7910 pitched in to help, doing much of the debris cleanup and needed repairs to our church and parish hall. Our intact parish hall

allowed us to host several events which are usually held elsewhere. Most gratifying was the 2006 CYO convention. With their normal venue and the Mississippi Coast Coliseum unusable, the youth met in our hall, and the Knights were there to see that they had a great time, and went home well fed. It was wonderful for all of us to see the positive energy from the young people, many of whom were still not living in their own homes. Council 7910 has, in cooperation with state Knights' officers, and on our own, provided monetary assistance to several families who lost everything. One of the best things to happen to us has been an influx of wonderful Brother Knights from councils and churches destroyed by the storm. They have added immeasurably to our council.

We wish to thank our Chaplain, Father George Murphy, whose pro-Knights attitude has allowed us great freedom to expand our slate of service and social events.

Finally, like everyone on the Gulf Coast, we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone throughout this great country who has helped our devastated area-those who came in person, and those who sent money, gifts, and prayers. None of us will ever forget your care and generosity.

Michael Murphy
Grand Knight, 7910, Gulfport

Council 7974 None Submitted
Council 8054 None Submitted

St. Therese Council 8285
Jackson, Mississippi
Grand Knight's Report
2005-2006

Council Officers duly elected and installed by worthy District Deputy Jim McCraw as follows:

Grand Knight	Ben Mokry
Deputy Grand Knight	Felix Garth
Chancellor	Rusty Kemp
Recorder	Bill Singletary
Treasurer	Warren Brooks
Warden	Jim Woods
Trustee - 3 yr	Russell Rooks
Trustee - 2 yr	Jun Tristeza
Trustee - 1 yr	Lee Fink
Guard	Bill Dickson
Guard	Chris Ledford
Financial Secretary	Rich Leiding

- A 12% membership gain. Met insurance quota of 3 members.
- The council carried out at least eight activities across the five program areas (Family, Council, Youth, Church, and Community).
- The Council averaged over 130 hours of service a month
- Specific major activities included:

- o Participating in KC fundraising for Mentally Disabled Individuals, raising \$600.
- o Provided leadership in our parish for adopting a church in Biloxi to rehabilitate one of its education buildings. The council contributed \$2,100 of its own funds, and provided project details and marketing materials to our pastor to help raise an additional \$9,000 from our parish and members of the Vietnamese community that meet monthly at our parish.
- o Provided manpower to at least 23 different Katrina relief events totaling well over 350 hours. These included cooking at a shelter, loading and unloading trucks at a Catholic Charities warehouse, salvaging items from a house to be reused on the coast, workdays on the coast, and serving on Catholic Charities steering committee.
- o Provided leadership in working with five other KC councils in our community to host a music fest and BBQ cooking competition among KC Councils that raised over \$3,000 for Birthright and Pro-Life Mississippi. This event stimulated fraternalism among our Councils and generated great publicity for the Knights organization as strong supporters of life.
- o Hosted a BBQ fundraiser for a scholarship fund benefiting students in our parish elementary school that raised \$900.
- o Participation in at least 6 work days at the parish and school, including setting up for parish social events, cooking and manning the drive-through line at the parish festival, participating in the parish cleanup day before Easter, and repairing soccer goals for the parish athletic association.
- o One Brother coached the parish school's football team
- o Hosted monthly pancake breakfasts for the parish that served an estimated 720 meals.
- o Hosted a council basketball free throw competition
- o Supported parish RCIA program and 1st communion classes with food and 1st Communion kits.
- o Assisted with fund raising for the parish Boy Scout Troop
- o Provided funds for the local Catholic High School library along with enabling an estimated 100 students at the high school to provide almost 900 hours of community service by assisting in Council activities
- o Held a Corporate Communion.
- o Promoted participation by Brothers in monthly rosaries before council meetings and at an area abortion clinic and 1st Saturday Eucharistic Adoration.
- o Participated in Supreme-recommended recruitment blitz days in October 2005 and in 2006
- o Participated in required Schools of Columbianism
- o Awarded Shining Armor pin to one Brother during the year.

St. Therese KofC Council 8285 is alive and providing useful service to its members, its pastor, the parish, Catholic education and the broader community.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ben Mokry
Grand Knight

Grand Knight's Report
Council 8760
Holly Springs

The officers indicated below were duly elected and installed by District Deputy Pick

Noble:

Grand Knight	Claude L. Vinson, Sr.
Deputy Grand Knight	Ralph Howard
Financial Secretary	Claude Vinson, Jr.
Chancellor	James T. Rayford
Recorder	Larry E. Scott
Treasurer	Victor Beard
Advocate	David L. Stratmon, Sr.
Warden	Walter Walls
Trustee (1)	Eddie D. Dixon
Trustee (2)	Frank Houck
Trustee (3)	Derrick Richmond
Inside Guard	Jevon K. Adkins
Outside Guard	Joseph L. Vinson

Looking forward to a fruitful and productive year, the following appointments were made:

Chaplain	Fr. Leonard Elder, SCJ
Program Director	Claude L. Vinson, Sr.
Church Director	Larry E. Scott
Community Director	James T. Rayford
Pro-Life Couple	Frank and Doris Houck
Public Relations	Claude L. Vinson, Sr.
Health Services	Claude Vinson, Jr.
Youth Director	Ralph L. Howard
Membership Director	James T. Rayford
Family Director	Eddie D. Dixon
Retention Chairman	Victor Beard
Recruitment Committee	Claude L. Vinson, Sr., Eddie D. Dixon, David L. Stratmon, Sr.

Membership Activities:

Council 8760 is still experiencing recruitment difficulties. There is a real effort being made to attract the Hispanic community at St. Joseph's. This will remain as a focal point.

Church Activities:

1. Council members assist at Mass as ushers, lectors, and Eucharistic ministers.

2. There are also members of the choir and help with liturgy preparations.
3. Members prepared hot sausages for the Annual Church Picnic.
4. Planned and operated recreational games for the Parish picnic.

Community Activities:

1. One member cooked hamburgers, hot dogs, Bar BQ, and smoked sausages (all night) for the Cancer Relay For Life event.
2. One member serves as an elected official for the County Board of Supervisors.
3. One member hosted Bar-B-Que and fish fry to raise funds for UNCF during Annual Rust College Founder's day.
4. Prepared picnic for parents and students in Workforce Investment Act Program.
5. Members regularly contribute to Marshall/Benton County food bank.

Council Activities:

1. Held installation brunch for newly elected officers.
2. Held Annual raffle to help defray cost of council programs.
3. Hosted 16th Annual Red/White awards banquet.
4. Prepared pancake breakfast for Mother's Day and Palm Sunday.
5. Selected Citizen of the year.
6. Selected Knight of the year.
7. Sent delegates to the State Convention.

Family Activities:

1. Selected Family of the Month.
2. Selected Family of the Year.
3. Provided Santa Claus for Holy Family Child Care.
4. Provided Santa Claus for Holy Family school.
5. One member assists the youth religious education program.

Youth Activities:

1. One member is a Life Teen Advisor.
2. Prepared for Annual Free Throw Championship. However, an ice storm forecast prevented participation.
3. One member played Santa Claus for two area schools.
4. One member assists the Director of the Workforce Investment Act in finding students for the program.

Summary:

As indicated earlier, St. Joseph's Council is struggling with certain problems of growth. However, the "Spirit of Columbianism" is strong and viable. We have a core of dedicated members. We are served by a very capable District Deputy in Brother Pick Noble.

Respectfully submitted,
Claude Vinson, Sr., Grand Knight

**FR ROBERT RETTMEIER
COUNCIL 8848
TUPELO, MS
Grand Knight Report
2005-2006**

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Grand Knight	Marcel Crudele
Deputy Grand Knight	David Palladino
Chancellor	Tony Palazzo
Financial Secretary	Jeff Houin
Recorder	Alan Erickson
Treasurer	Alvin Leblanc
Advocate	Roy Jaeger
Warden	Paul Harkins
Inside Guard	Ken Leick
Outside Guard	Greg Weatherford
1 st Year Trustee	Brian Friloux
2 nd Year Trustee	David Friloux
3 rd Year Trustee	Alan Erickson

CHURCH

Members served on parish council, as Eucharistic ministers, song leaders and choir members. Brother knights participate in weekly 24 hour Eucharistic adoration and adult education classes. Brother knights *lead* the RCIA program, teach CCD classes, and occasionally cook for various parish functions. We held a men's retreat, designed and landscaped our new Catholic Life Center helped maintain parish grounds and facilities, assisted with annual church rummage sale and parish Christmas care tree program. We conducted annual Toostie Roll drive and visited sick and shut-ins. We helped build a large Habitat house for a family of 9, and took two trips to the Gulf coast to help with Katrina clean up

COUNCIL

Activities included holding 1st degree exemplifications, hosting District meeting in August attending Midwinter meeting in Southaven, maintaining council website, an open house for **recruitment**, and **holding** a draw down raffle/dance to raise funds for rebuilding Our Lady of the Gulf in Bay St. Louis

FAMILY

We participated in and assisted with several parish social functions and meetings. We moved and installed Church playground equipment, held a memorial mass, and assisted a needy family.

YOUTH

Crucifixes were given to graduating high school seniors. We coached youth basketball, supported our CYO, and supported the Boy Scouts of America.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcel Crudele, GK

Council 8912 None Submitted

**Father Patrick McAlpine Council 9094
D'Iberville, Mississippi
Grand Knight's Report
2005-2006**

The following officers were elected or appointed for Council 9094 for the 2005-2006 fraternal year and were properly installed during a formal ceremony by District 11 Deputy, Art Dunn:

Chaplain	Fr. Robert Higginbotham
Grand Knight	Roger Feters
Deputy Grand Knight	Mark Fontenot
Chancellor	Floyd Fountain
Financial Secretary	Lavoughn Stokes
Advocate	Julius Chastant
Treasurer	David Seymour
Recorder	Carl Ried
Warden	Richard Pelanne
Inside Guard	Chuck Billeaud
Outside Guard	Stephen Dunn
Trustee (2005-2008)	Ed Creech
Trustee (2005-2007)	Noel Aucoin
Trustee (2005-2006)	Darnell Lepre

The 2005-2006 fraternal year was another year of growth and accomplishments for our Council despite Hurricane Katrina. I was very proud to have served as Grand Knight of Council 9094 and I want to thank each one of my Brothers for helping me make this past fraternal year a success. Thanks to all of the Officers and Committee Brothers for all of your hard work and dedication. Special thanks to my wife, Theresa, and the Ladies Auxiliary for all their help and patience in our successful projects this year. With God as our inspiration, we undertook the following activities despite many of our fellow Brothers being displaced by Hurricane Catering:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES (Elvin Raymond - Chairman)

Participated in the liturgical roles of the parish as Ushers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers
Held Right to Life Masses
Served as Sponsors for RICA
Donated funds for RICA Crucifix gifts for Home
Donated a record amount to the Priest Education Fund
Providing monthly financial support to a Seminarian

Clean-up around Church Rectory, School and Gym
 Assisted in Church Set-up for Christmas Mass
 Participated in the Marion Hour of Prayer
 Donated numerous hours to the Parish Administrative Duties
 Involved in CC Educational Roles
 Held Lenten Fish Dinners to raise funds for Priest Education Fund
 Helped maintain Parish Facilities
 Assisted and supported St. Vincent DE Paul
 Leadership Roles in Parish Renew Programs

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (Richard Higginbotham - Chairman)

Council held a Drive to support Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities
 Participated in Keep D'Iberville Beautiful by Cleaning up Lemony Boulevard
 Members Visited the sick and elderly
 Members serving as Leaders in the Community
 Teddy Harder - City Councilman
 Teddy Harder - County School Board
 Brian Freeman - City Councilman
 Ike Kincke - Parish School Board
 Steve Moore - Chamber of Commerce Member
 Larry Tabor - Chamber of Commerce Member
 Larry Tabor - Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors
 Noel Aucoin - Parish Council Member
 Ed Creech - Parish Council Member
 Darnell Lepre - Parish Council Member
 Provided in the Upkeep of grounds at site of Old Church
 Donated to Morning Star Pregnancy Care Center
 Purchased ticket to Support Sacred Heart School Draw-down
 Held a Hurricane Katrina Food and Music Relief Fest to give donated items out to those in need

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES (David Whitman - Chairman)

Published Newsletter
 Hosted a Membership Drive
 Honored Knight of the Month
 Held Council Awards Dinner
 Held Council Socials
 Provided speakers for our Socials
 Conducted an Installation of Officers and Dinner
 Donated Food and Money to St. Vincent De Paul
 Brother Knights made numerous trips with supplies to Saltillo, Mexico
 Sponsored Teams in the Local Baseball Leagues
 Attended School of Columbianism and Mid-Winter Meeting
 Held a Council Fish Fry
 New members recognized by Grand Knight at monthly meeting and presented certificates

YOUTH ACTIVITIES (Floyd Fountain - Chairman)

Several Members Coach Various Youth League Teams
Youth Program Leadership (CCD, CYO, Altar servers)
Sponsors Boy Scout Troop
Recognized Altar Servers
Hosted Altar Servers Dinner
Provides Support as Needed to CYO
Provided financial support to 1 CYO member to attend convention
Hosted Confirmation Dinner
Purchased Keep Christ in Christmas Cards for CYO
Purchased CYO Convention ads
Conducted Council and District Free Throw Contests
Hosted District Level Free Throw Contest
Conducted Essay Contest
Cooked Lunches for Sacred Heart Elementary School once a month

FAMILY ACTIVITIES (Noel Aucoin - Chairman)

Assisted with Supper & Substance Dinner for the Parish
Participated in Biloxi Diocese Rosary Rally
Hosted Family Steak Night
Family Corporate Communion
Honored Family of the Month
Held Family Pizza Dinner
Held Wine and Cheese Social
Sponsored a Mother's Day Program
Sponsored a Father's Day Program

Respectfully Submitted,
Roger D. Feters
Grand Knight

COUNCIL. No. 9124
St. Mary's - Gautier
Grand Knight Report

Despite the ravages of Hurricane Katrina, Council 9124 has continued to be an extremely active council. We have held a minimum of four programs in all areas. We have continued to be visible in parish life through youth, family, community, church, and council activities. Synopses of our activities for the past year are below.

Church Activities

1. Council Sponsored Money Raiser for Priest Education Fund
2. Passed out Rosary Bouquet Cards at St Mary's
3. Participated in Altar Server Training at St Mary
4. Participated in the Keep Christ in Christmas
5. Participation in the Life of the Parish
6. Participation in Lenten Stations of the Cross Program
7. Sponsored Friday Night Lenten Fish Fry

Community Activities

1. Sponsor 55 - Alive Driver Training Course for seniors.
2. Church Ground and Facilities Cleanup and Repairs.
3. Visit to Sick Member of our Church and Community.
4. Food Donations to Local Food Banks and Shelter Facility
5. Participation in Annual Tootsie Roll Drive for the Mentally Challenged
6. Participation in Local Civic and Church

Council Activities

1. Council Newsletter
2. Council Members participate in various 1st and 3rd Degree Initiation Teams
3. Council Socials
4. Fall Membership Drive
5. Council Christmas Party
6. Spring Membership Drive

Family Activities

1. Quarterly Corporate Commences
2. Participation in Supreme Monthly Family of the Month Program

3. Participation in Diocesan Rosary Rally
4. Mass for Deceased Council Members
5. Respect for *Life* Rosary Rally
6. Submission of Council Family of the Year
7. Flowers for Mothers on Mother's Day
8. Prayer Cards for Fathers on FATHER'S Day

Youth Activities

1. Financial Support to local CYO Groups
2. Participate in various Community Youth Programs
3. Council Free Throw Tournament
4. Sponsor District Twelve Free Throw Tournament
5. Easter Egg Hunt
6. Graduating Senior Luncheon
7. Youth Scholarship Program

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Meehan, Grand Knight

Council 9234 Indianola, MS

Council Activities for 2006 - 2006.

Council! Activities have been off due to increased work schedules for nearly all Brother Knights.

Church

Spaghetti Supper

KC's cooked all meals and coordinated deliveries of Meals

Cleaned Up Parish Hall before and after

Participation in Mass

KC's served as Lecturers, Eucharistic Ministers, Gift Bearers and ushers more than once per month in each category

Blood Drive

Sponsored and manned Blood Drive for the Parish

Annual Feast

Provided food and drinks for Annual Parish Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Community

General plans for prospecting for new members through increased exposure

Plans are possibly underway to resume our annual BBQ Chicken Cook. Off.

Plans are underway for other fund raising activities.

Our plans for 2006 - 2007 should pick up more activities and hopefully more Participation.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Tannehill - Grand Knight

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT
COUNCIL 9409 WEST BILOXI, MS.

In what I thought was going to be a banner year for our council, Hurricane Katrina came along and rearranged our priorities. Many of our members & widows lost everything they owned or suffered severe damage. We literally lost 3 months of productive council activities while we valiantly tried to put our priorities back in order.

We have managed to keep up with some of our most important activities such as:

Maintaining the Priest Education Fund

Supporting the Priests Retirement Home Building Fund

Hosting the Annual Blood Drive (56 pint's this year)

Running the Annual Physically & Mentally Handicapped Fund Raiser (Tootsie Roll Drive) raising over \$7,000.00 with matching funds from Wal-Mart in West Biloxi.

Holding Quarterly Corporate Communion

Instituting a Monthly Pancake Breakfast to support Priests Activities.

Successfully held the Annual St. Patrick's Dinner.

Served breakfast to the Parish Home Communion Ministers.

Held a Right to Life Breakfast (attended by many State Offices) hosted by State Right to Life Couple Don and Carol Cox.

Participated in the Annual Free Throw Competition and Poster Contest.

Held a multi-council Christmas Party with over 150 in attendance. (A few councils lost their meeting facilities so we invited them to our function).

Took part in the semi-annual Parish Buildings and Grounds clean up.

Active in all phases of the Annual Parish International Spring fest. Chairman Judge

Strong, Builders/Electricians Monty Paggeott & Danny Versyvelt and a host of other

key players are all members of our Council.

Held the Annual Memorial Mass for our Deceased Members.

Membership is active in all phases of Parish Activities such as: Maintenance, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, choir members, Sunday School Teachers, Men's ACTS Group, etc.

Naturally, we are involved in many other activities, but this is supposed to be a condensed report.

I'd like to thank those Knights who went out of their way to help me administer my duties this year and for the encouragement given me by our State Secretary Dan Lechner who was ad-ways there to lend support to all our activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger R. Houle, Grand Knight

**Grand Knight Report
Council 9543, Madison**

On behalf of Council 9543 and my fellow brother knights, I would like to extend a heartfelt "Thank you" to the Tupelo council for hosting our annual convention. As everyone is aware, they stepped up to the plate and offered to host this event on a short notice. We know how much work is involved with this convention when you have plenty of time available so we are aware of the sacrifices this council made to host this event this year. To all the families affected by Hurricane Katrina, our deepest sympathy and prayers are with you. There is no way we can begin to understand the pain and tribulations you have been through but know we pray for each and every one of you everyday. However, it is my belief that the people of Mississippi, and our brother Knights through our State council, will survive this event and be stronger because of it.

God bless each and every one of you.

Sincerely,
Richard Cameron, Grand Knight
Council 9543
Madison, MS

Knights of Columbus

James D. Hart Council 9673, Woolmarket, MS

Annual Report

Council Officers

Chaplin	Rev. Dominick Fullam
Grand Knight	Paul Leidig
Deputy Grand Knight	Patrick Chubb
Chancellor	Gerald Pickich
Recorder	Thad Anderson
Treasurer	Joseph Souza
Advocate	Michael Melasecca
Warden	John Cruso Jr.
Inside Guard	Chuck Lewis
Outside	Jeremy Denoux
Trustee for one year	Sam Orr
Trustee for Two Years	Walter "Jimmy" Robinson
Trustee for Three Years	Ronald "Ron" Cross
Financial Secretary	William "Bill" Fessler

Program Activities

Church

- Prepared and served breakfast on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. Proceeds contributed to Priest Education Fund -- \$1,400 for this fraternal year.
- Replaced roof on church office following Hurricane Katrina
- Several members serve in church ministries including extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, lector, and choir
- Led Stations of Cross during lent, prepared and served meatless soup supper following prayers
- Led rosary devotion before Sunday mass
- Made contribution to Christopher Fund
- Setup church grounds for annual parish Stewardship Fair

Youth

- Sponsored spaghetti dinner to support parish Catholic Youth Organization. Proceeds used to send youth to Life Teen retreat.
- Led team to clean-up church hall following Vacation Bible School
- Prepared and served refreshments following children's Christmas program rehearsal

Community

- Served as coordinators and delivery men from regional distribution center aiding hurricane Katrina victims
- Helped several families recover from ravages of Katrina; helped remove debris, gut devastated homes, hang sheetrock, paint and several more recovery tasks
- Participated in community recycling program
- Several Knights serve as leaders in community organizations

Family

- Submitted nomination for Family of the Year at state convention
- Recognized council's Family of the Year with special memento
- Recognized parish mothers with a long stem carnation during Mother's Day weekend masses
- Held a parish Family Fun Day. Provided food, games, and entertainment for parish families
- Several members teach in parish CCD program

Council

- Recognized two member as Knight of the Quarter
- Held two council socials - Texas BBQ and Shrimp Boil
- Submitted council's semi-monthly breakfast for best council program at state convention
- Held monthly corporate communions. Knights serve as ushers, greeters, altar servers, lector and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion during mass.
- Twelve new knights exemplified to third degree
- Several knights joined the Father McGivney Guild
- Chancellor leads formal "Prayer for Vocations" during monthly business meetings
- Conducted recruiting drive during annual parish Stewardship Fair

This past year has been a productive and rewarding year. I want to thank Fr. Dominick for his continuous support and prayers. I also want to express my sincere thanks to all council officers. All your support and energy made my job easy.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Leidig
Grand Knight

Report for Council #10216
St. Paul - Brandon

Officers

Chaplain	Fr. Brian Carroll
Grand Knight	Ted Gray
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike Brechtel
Chancellor	Bill Morris
Financial Secretary	Lance Wilson
Treasurer	Ray Butz
Recorder	Kevin O'Donnell
Advocate	David Cannon
Warden	John Bonelli
Guard	Ricky LeBlanc
Guard	Sam Dotson
Trustee	Philip Jabour
Trustee	Martin Bisek
Trustee	Dan Hammond

We were extremely active in all program areas. We were one of the top membership councils in the state. We were always willing to volunteer our council for the good of the state and other councils. Our response to Katrina has been out in front.

We were very active in all areas (church, community, council, family and youth) of the council program. We participated in a minimum of 12 activities in each area. We sponsored or took part in at least 150 activities in the past year. That calculates to an average of more than 12 per month. Some of our unique programs were the following:

1. Knights Choir to sing during Stations of the Cross during Lent.
2. Remodeled Activity Building to be used by Katrina evacuees.
3. Held an annual Founder's Day/Council Awards Dinner.
4. Hosted monthly family breakfasts.
5. Participated in toy drive that raised over \$4000 for Katrina victims.
6. Held a Priest Appreciation Dinner.

On average everyone in our council had the opportunity to participate in a project at least 3 times in a week. The best part is that they wanted to participate. It was rare for us to have the problem of getting volunteers for our projects.

Because we were such an active council we had many members of our parish approach our council members about joining the Knights of Columbus. This year we exceeded our membership quota by 250%. This was at least the 3rd year in a row that we have accomplished this goal. We also won the Star Council Award from Supreme this year for the 4th year in a row. Besides gaining new 1st degree members for our council, we also hosted several 1st degree ceremonies that helped other councils gain new members. We also had several members receive the 2nd and 3rd degrees of our order.

We hosted regional and statewide meetings at our councils. Besides the 1st degree ceremonies that we hosted, we also hosted a 4th degree ceremony. In January we hosted the mid winter meeting for the central region. Many of our council members had leadership roles in the 1st Annual Grillin' for Life Competition. Our council participated in the competition and won some awards.

Finally, we tried to lead the way for Katrina relief by the KC councils. We made several trips to the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Our first trip was made the Saturday following Katrina. We loaded a trailer with water and ice and distributed it in Gulfport as far south as we were allowed to go. In October we made the first of 3 trips to Our Lady of the Gulf in Bay St. Louis. On that first trip we took about 15 Knights. Our 2nd trip to OLG was made in January. It included about 20 Knights and 15 members of our parish. In March we took 12 Knights and 35 members of the parish youth group to OLG for a work day. Other trips to the Gulf Coast included a trip to D'Iberville in November and a trip to deliver toys and gift certificates to children of the Gulf Coast in December. We have also worked for Katrina victims in our area. We were one of the first groups to volunteer to cook for evacuees at the Mississippi Coliseum. As mentioned, we remodeled our activity building for evacuees. We cleared trees at the Carmelite Monastery. We worked at the Catholic Charities warehouse and one of our members has provided a forklift and other equipment for the warehouse. Our council will continue to remain active over the coming years in providing relief to victims of Katrina.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ted Gray, Grand Knight

**Mnsgr. Gregory Kennedy
Council 10499
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
Grand Knight Report
2005 – 2006**

The third year as Grand Knight of this council has been a challenge, but rewarding one. It has been a privilege to continue to serve my fellow brothers as their Grand Knight. To know that these men have the confidence and trust in *me* to lead them once again is an honor. One day long from now, when I recall this past year, I am certain I will remember it as one of sadness and heartache, but also as one full of pride and satisfaction of what we accomplished.

Our council officers for the 2005-2006 fraternal year are as follows:

Chaplain	Deacon Martin Finnegan
Grand Knight	Robert Frey
Deputy Grand Knight	Michael Butler
Financial Secretary	Morris Sonnier
Chancellor	Phillip Messer
Recorder	Steve Bordelon
Treasurer	Peter Pinto
Advocate	Neil Andrew
Warden	Ricky Dobrowski
Inside Guard	Donald Catchot
Outside Guard	Frank Hilt
Trustee 1 st year	Richard Greenwold
Trustee 2 nd year	Wayne Leonard
Trustee 3 rd year	Joe McCormick

This fraternal year began as normal by planning our activities for the future twelve months. But on August 29, 2005, a hurricane named Katrina changed all of what we knew as normal. Even as our brother Knights were dealing with the damage and destruction of their community and of their own personal property, these same men were working many long hours helping others, never forgetting that we are united in charity. While we not have followed our plan for the year, it was still a success by knowing our work following the hurricane helped many in our parish and throughout the community deal with such a devastating disaster. As always, none of these activities could have been possible without the commitment, devotion, and hard work of my fellow brother Knights and our Ladies' Auxiliary. I truly appreciate their efforts, because without this illustration of teamwork, our achievements would not have been possible. I also want to thank those in our council for their knowledge, insight, and words of encouragement for me over these past three years. If it were not for them, my term as their Grand Knight would have been a difficult task. Thank you again, for the opportunity to serve Council 10499 as Grand Knight.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Frey, Grand Knight

**COUNCIL 10901
Oxford, MS
Grand Knight Report**

Council Officers

Chaplain
Grand Knight
Deputy Grand Knight
Financial Secretary
Chancellor
Recorder
Treasurer
Advocate
Membership Director
Warden
Inside Guard
Outside Guard
Trustees

Rev. Theodore Klingens
Jacob Eftink
Steve Jubera
Joe Supple, Sr.
James Reid
Shannon Pittman
Dennis Ott
Ron Rychlak
Mike Mitchell
Bob Hudson
Greg White
Joe Supple, Jr.
Bill Panlener
Mike Mitchell
Tom Stottman

Program Activities

Church Activities:

- Held Lenten Fish Fries every Friday during Lent. We donated \$2300 profit to the St. John's Parish building fund.
- Organized, setup booths and worked the St. John's Parish Fair
- Gave money to a seminarian staying in New Orleans
- Organized Men's Prayer Breakfast every first Monday of the month
- Maintained Parish property
- Prayed Rosary before every business meeting
- Members of our Council serve as RCIA sponsors

Community Activities: George Davis Chairman

- Participated in Scott Center (Tootsie Roll) drive. We donated \$1700 to the Scott Center, a local school for the intellectually challenged
- Held a jambalaya dinner to feed displaced people from Katrina and to raise money for Catholic Charities
- Fed hot dogs and hamburgers to the people attending the Oxford 4th of July festivities
- Donated time, clothing and shelter to families and other people displaced by Katrina
- Members of our council serve as leaders at the University of Mississippi.
- Visited a local retirement community quarterly

Family Activities: Kyle Duncan, chairman

- Recognized the mothers of our Parish with roses on Mother's Day
- Recognized one family as the Family of the Month and the Family of the Year
- Attended a Memphis Redbirds game with our families

- Gave \$1 50 Wal-Mart gift cards to three needy families at Christmas
- Sent Mass cards to the families of deceased Brother Knights
- Provided food for the Parish swim party

Council Activities: Greg Brown, Chairman

- State Treasurer is a member of our Council
- Our Council has a 1st Degree team
- Recognize a Knight for Knight of the Month and Knight of the Year
- Parked cars at Ole Miss football games to raise funds for the council and the St. John's Parish building fund
- Led the Rosary at the Memorial Services for our deceased Brother Knights -
- Maintained a council website and published a quarterly newsletter
- Held quarterly socials including a membership social and an insurance social
- Held a St. Patrick's Day social

Youth Activities: James Reid Chairman

- Conducted a free throw contest
- Knights coach youth soccer, softball, and basketball teams
- Cook hot dogs for the Parish's Halloween party
- Cook hot dogs and hamburgers for the Parish's Total Youth Ministry
- We distributed BBQ for the University of Mississippi's Catholic Student Association
- We prepared and served a meal at a Search Retreat

Respectfully Submitted,
Jacob "Jake the Fake" Eftink, Grand Knight

Council 11541 None Submitted
Council 11654 None Submitted
Council 11904 None Submitted

Council 11934, Gluckstadt
Grand Knight Report

This year has been a very busy and trying time for all of us in the state. Everything started with the installation of our Council Officers by our former DD Martin Bisek. We immediately went to work making plans for the New Year. The first thing we did was to host a cookout for the entire church body, shortly after we helped cook at the Canton Flea Market to raise money for the Canton Nursing Home. After this a "Bad Lady" named Katrina came calling. Since this time, everything has been anything but normal. After this, one of the first things we did was to have a pancake breakfast in order to give extra money to the priest Ed. Fund. This will help to off set extra cost of seminarians being displaced and to send extra money to them. This raised \$709, with a \$509-\$200 split. We also adopted a seminarian that we continue to support. We continued our normal duties

with our blood drive and other things that we regularly do to support the programs of the Knights of Columbus. We sold Christmas Cards and took part in the Tootsie Roll Drive. We held our council Christmas party and hosted a Knights/CYO softball game picnic. We lead the Rosary each Sunday in October, we also continue our quarterly mass and keep doing all of the work that Father ask of us. We sent things down to the coast, when requested, and a few special things that were ask for. But the best thing was when we adopted St. Ann's at Clermont. This has been a blessing to us as a council and also as a church. We have made trips down there to work and we have also cooked for them while we were there. We helped get them many religious items needed to hold mass. The council raised money for the rebuilding and also took material and tools down. As I said, this has been a blessing to us. We have really been able to do as we said each time we go to church. This is the year that we have raised the most money for Priest Ed. The most we have ever done. Although this report doesn't look as if we accomplished a lot, this has been a very busy year and we plan to keep working in Clermont.

G.K. Joe Jones
Chaplin Fr. Robert Olivier
D.G.K. David Cobb
Chan. Jason Crocker
F.S. John C. Minninger
Treas. Joe Best
Warden Ned Darbonne
Advoc. Stephen Jones
I.G. Billy Endris
O.G. Pete Wiesenburger
T.1 Kerry Minninger
T.2 Dennis Strong
T.3 Terry Taylor

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph R. Jones Jr., Grand Knight

Council 11956 None Submitted

Council 11995 None Submitted

Council 12166 None Submitted

Council 12271 None Submitted

Council 13471 None Submitted

Council 13502 None Submitted

*Knights of Columbus
Saint Jude Council 13936
Columbia, Mississippi
Robert N. "Bob" Frey, GK*

**ANNUAL REPORT
2005 - 2006**

All to the Glory of GOD

This is the initial year of Saint Jude Council 13936, having been chartered on October 1, 2005. It is indeed an honor and privilege to have served as this council's first Grand Knight. I want to express my sincere appreciation to our council's officers and members for their support during this first year. Also, I would be remised if I failed to thank the members of our Ladies Auxiliary. We are so very fortunate to have them at our side to render support and assistance to our council anytime they are called upon. In addition, I want say a big "Thank You!" to our State Deputy Larry Tabor and all of our State Officers for their support and advice in forming our council and getting us on our way.

Saint Jude Council 13936 has enjoyed a very productive and rewarding six months, since our council was chartered. Our members have worked hard and diligently to accomplish some wonderful things in all aspects of the work the Knights of Columbus are known for, providing service to our Church, our Community, and our Council.

We now look forward to the up-coming fraternal year, to continue our efforts to live up to the high standards of the Knight of Columbus and to make all of our brother Knights proud of us.

Council Activities

Church:

- *Corporate Mass on the fifth Sunday of any month.*
- *Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors*

- *Ushers and Greeters*
- *Recite Holy Rosary of Mary before every meeting.*
- *Lenten Fish Fry each Friday of Lent, with all proceeds going to the*
- *Priest Education Fund.*
- *Donate money to the Christopher Fund.*
- *March 18 and 19, our Council, along with our Ladies Auxiliary, sponsored the first "Saint Joseph Altar" this Parish church ever had. It was a beautiful event, with members of our Council and our Ladies Auxiliary participating in the ceremony as representatives of the Holy Family, seven saints and an angel. The altar consisted of many different foods, like fish, vegetables, eggs, cookies, cakes and the likes. There were more than one hundred and fifty people in attendance over the two day period.*
- *Our council participated in the Installation of our new Pastor, Father Martin Gillespie. Officiating at this ceremony was the Reverend Thomas J. Rodi, Bishop of the Diocese of Biloxi. Our members, along with other members of our Fourth Degree Assembly provided a seven-man Honor Guard. Other members of our council served as Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers. Following the ceremony, our council members and our Ladies Auxiliary served a luncheon.*
- *At our Corporate Communion in January, we held a special ceremony for the victims of abortion. Our Pastor, along with the entire congregation joined us in procession, as we placed a bouquet of flowers on the memorial in front of the church. Following this service, we provided a lunch on for all of our church family. We also used this occasion as a "Recruitment Drive", handing out pamphlets and brochures regarding the work and benefits of the Knights of Columbus.*

Community:

- *Saint Jude Council sponsored a "Family Day" at our church, where all of our parishioners and other invited guests were served a great luncheon and enjoyed wonderful fellowship and festive activities. All of the food and drinks were furnished by our council.*
- *Members of our council and Ladies Auxiliary preformed volunteer work at the local food pantry.*
- *Gave Thanksgiving and Christmas Gift Cards to families in our community, along with gifts and toys to the children.*
- *Sponsored "Breakfast with Santa", feeding the children and adults of our church family and other invited guests a breakfast of eggs, sausage, pancakes, orange juice, milk and coffee. There was also a visit by Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus, who gave out gifts and toys to all children, each child, had a picture taken with Santa, and Mrs. Claus and each received a copy of said picture. We had sixty-seven (67) children and forty-one (41) adults in attendance.*

Council:

- *Five members of our council attended the School of Columbianism.*
 - *Four council members attended the Mid-Winter Business Meeting.*
 - *Council provided dinners and socials before each monthly meeting.*
 - *Sponsored "Membership Drive" at three Corporate Communion Sundays, followed by a luncheon for our church family.*
- It is with great honor and pride that I present our Roll of Officers and Directors.*

Our Officers are:

<i>Chaplin</i>	<i>Father Martin Gillespie</i>
<i>Grand Knight</i>	<i>Robert N. "Bob" Frey</i>
<i>Deputy Grand Knight</i>	<i>Foote R. Singleton</i>
<i>Chancellor</i>	<i>Dale Bruce</i>
<i>Financial Secretary</i>	<i>Joseph Singleton</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Paul J. Mackin</i>
<i>Advocate</i>	<i>Michael Wenzler</i>

Recorder	Frank Miano
Warden	James Hughes
Inside Guard	Morris Mabile
Outside Guard	Leroy H. Bell
Trustees	Charles J. Bourgeois
	Leonard Schmill

Our Committee Directors are:

Program Director	Footie R. Singleton
Membership Director	Footie R. Singleton
Church Director	Paul J. Mackin
Council Director	James Hughes
Community Director	Roger Staley
Family Director	Dale Bruce

Our Ladies Auxiliary Officers are:

President	Carole M. Frey
Vice President	Jackie Tanet
Secretary	Evelyn Staley
Treasurer	Cheryl Wenzler
Historian	Joy Hughes
Chaplin	Melinda Tanet

Respectfully submitted
Robert N. "Bob" Frey, GK

Council 14051 None Submitted

District Deputy Reports

District Deputy # 1 Report

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as District Deputy of District # 1, this year. My appreciation and thanks to State Deputy Larry Tabor for this appointment.

District # 1 is comprised of Councils 8760-Holly Springs, 8848-Tupelo, 8912-Corinth, and 10901-Oxford.

I had the honor and pleasure of installing the officers in Councils 8760, 8848, and 10901. Outgoing District Deputy Denny Louis installed the officers of his home council, 8912.

I was able to attend the awards banquet of Council 8760, Holly Springs, in December. Earlier, I enjoyed a fine meal put on by Council 10901, Oxford, following their installation of officers. Council 8848, Tupelo, hosted a Day of Columbianism in August, which was attended by Districts 1 and 2.

Following Katrina, the State Convention for 2006 had to be relocated. I served as convention chairman and my time was divided between convention and district. With the convention behind me, and at the pleasure of the State Deputy, I hope to serve my second year as District Deputy in a more productive manner.

Vivat Jesus,
Respectfully submitted,
Pick Noble, DD # 1

District # 2 No Report Submitted

District Deputy Report

District #3
M. Wayne Ebelhar

Serving as District Deputy #3 this year has been quite challenging and I have learned a great deal about the duties and responsibilities of District Deputy. It has been an honor and a privilege for me to serve as District Deputy for the five councils in my district. I have had the opportunity to serve the following councils:

Fr. Korstenbroek Council 2134	Greenville	Wayne Ebelhar, GK
C. G. Shapley Council 2945	Leland	Jimmy Sherman, GK
Msgr. John F. Cleric Council 5267	Greenwrod	Robert Ritchey, Jr., GK
Fr. Rotondo Council 5556	Cleveland	Billy Boswell, II, GK
Indianola Council 9234.	Indianloa	Joe Tannehill, GK

I had the opportunity to install officers in Leland and Greenville and look forward to that same opportunity in the other councils.

Serving as District Deputy has afforded me the opportunity to see how different council operate and to experience first hand the fraternal nature of the Knights of Columbus throughout the state. I look forward to visiting the different councils within my district and developing a district calendar and newsletter so that the councils within the district can be apprised of activities within the district.

I would like to take this opportunity to thanks State Deputy Larry Tabor and the other members of the State Family for their support and confidence and for their leadership throughout the two diocese. The past year has been particularly trying for the state but in difficulties we find strength to continue.

Remember the principals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism, while also remembering at very simple motto that consist of ten 2-letter words: *IF IT IS TO BE, IT IS UP TO ME!*

VIVAT JESUS
Respectfully Submitted,
M. Wayne Ebelhar
District Deputy #3

District Deputy # 4
Robert J Leo, DD

I was honored to have served as District Deputy these past four years for councils # 802 Meridian, #6765 Starkville, #7971 Columbus and Council # 13471 in Philadelphia, Ms. It has been a very humbling experience these past four years as their District Deputy. I have learned much about the Knights of Columbus from just being with the members of these line councils seeing their up's and down's, their wants and needs, successes and, not too many, if any, failures. It is my loss that I couldn't get around to every council as much as I would have liked to, due to my job and other responsibilities in my own council, # 802 Meridian.

I go away with the knowledge that I have installed four years of fine officers in all four of the councils in my district. This was a very honored and humbling experience to be remembered for the rest of my life. I wish to take this opportunity to thank Past State Deputy Tom Chady, Past State Deputy Richard T. Lieding, and last, but not least, State Deputy Larry J Tabor. I wish to thank you for all of your support and encouragement for the past four years. I wish to thank all of the councils in my district for their help and confidence in me to help me do my job as their District Deputy these past four years, it has been my privilege to serve each and every one of you

Respectfully submitted,

Robert (Bob) Leo

District Deputy # 5 Report

District 5 includes John T. Savage - Jackson Council 848, Vicksburg Council 898, Clinton Council 7854 and St. Therese - Jackson Council 8285.

Overall, this was a very productive year for each Council. Three Councils had returning Grand Knights with most officers remaining in place. 848 had the youngest Grand Knight in the State. Joe Valencino turned 29 in office.

Council 848 had a very active year. Membership grew in strategic numbers. I was pleased to see them reinstate former members. Especially the Inactives, which count toward their Insurance Quota. They also had a significant increase in transfers from in-state as well as out-of-state, bringing in experience and ideas.

Support from the priests at St. Mary, St. Peter and St. Richard is outstanding.

Excellent support for Katrina affected areas on the Coast. The Council conducted a raffle that produced over \$5,000 in building supplies that were delivered St. Ann's for use along the Coast. Several members lead "rebuild" teams that make regular work trips to predetermined locations.

Very strong involvement with the Hispanic community in Jackson and Morton.

Good family activities open to prospects and their families. Conducting blood drives at St. Peter & St. Richard. 848 partnered with St. Peter to purchase 1,000 laminated St. Patrick Holy Cards that knights distributed during the Hal & Mal's St. Paddy's Parade.

Shortcoming: Lack of a printed monthly newsletter. Email is used extensively but with multiple parishes and members living in several communities, a bulletin with a calendar of events is essential in keeping members informed and feeling a part of the Council.

Council 898 Despite GK Vince Chiarito being out of the Country a good portion of the year, Vicksburg continued their many outstanding projects and activities. They have active Past Grand Knights along with very dedicated members. Membership recruiting is still down and they are making inroads purging chronic "no pays" from the roster. The next year should be a very positive one in growth. Activities are always first class. Very strong support from the area parish priests, including Tallulah and Port Gibson.

Crews of skilled craftsmen make regular trips to the Coast to assist with plumbing, electrical and other specific needs.

Vicksburg mails a monthly bulletin to all members. In addition, they have an excellent council website and use email to inform members on special items.

7854 Clinton is much improved after getting back in their Church and meeting facilities. Several Knights led the Church rebuild and the result was beautiful. Their expertise identified creative alternatives to the initial construction plan and reduced the cost. Members took part in the Christmas parade and invited Fourth Degree Knights in regalia to march with them. It was the only float to proclaim Keep Christ in Christmas.

My favorite activity was Kicks for the Coast. The Council got the City Soccer League involved to raise funds to assist the leagues on the Coast. The Soccer Free Kick event went well, even without Mother Nature's help.

Clinton has a website, uses email, and also does a periodic printed newsletter.

I have been pleased with Grand Knight Stephen Martinolich. He's returned the meetings to a more structured format and distributes an agenda to keep things moving. I like the way tasks are distributed and the excellent interaction during the meeting. Activities are balanced. They do a men's retreat each year and invite men from the parish. Sausage & Biscuit after mass is a regular feature and gets different fellows involved. Another mission is sending food & clothing to Forest for Hispanics at St. Michael's and Morton.

Very good pastoral support. Fr. McGing drops in to as many meetings as possible. He makes the Major Exemplification they host and gives opinions on faith and fraternity during the Council meetings.

Weak recruiting results. That's beginning to change since the Major Exemplification they hosted, Feb. 11. A new GK will have a solid foundation and fertile ground to recruit.

8285 required little attention from me. I was able to take advantage of their 3rd year GK Ben Mokry to again host District activities for me. This Council has excelled in recruiting from a parish that two years ago was declining. I'd prepared a plan to merge Councils. Last year they made STAR Council and it looks like they're on track to repeat that.

Grillin For Life was a terrific surprise for me. Gerry Clark, Warren Brooks and Ben Mokry got the area Councils together, and produced an excellent statewide event raising over \$3,000 for Birthright and Pro-Life Mississippi. Great service project for St. Joe students.

8285 adopted the Catholic Charities warehouse. Sr. Mary Donna Gunn praised the Knights for their constant presence and tireless efforts. Ben, Dr. Paul and the fellows at 8285 carried a big load without accolades or recognition. They were Knights in Action.

St. Therese produces a bulletin that is left in the back of Church. They also use email regularly for communication. Fr. Anthony Nguyen is proud of his Knights of Columbus. He appreciates their successes and always recognizes KC visitors.

The Council is making strides to get in compliance with Supreme's procedures and record keeping requirements. A Council's minute book is essential to future Council leaders, providing proof of decisions and policies. They also create the Council's history.

I think my job is to coach new officers, not just the GKs. Taking time now is the best service I can give a Council. Previous leaders took me under their wing before my time and it shaped my life. This has been an enjoyable year thanks to the men I've worked with, both at the local and state level. I'll have one more!

Submitted by

Jim McCraw, DD # 5

District Deputy # 6 Report
Joseph R. Jones Jr.

My district consist of the following councils, 8038 Pearl - 9543 Madison - 10216 Brandon - and 11934, Gluckstadt, my home council. This has been a very interesting year for all in this state since shortly after the start. It has been a pleasure to serve our present State Deputy and I do believe that this would have been a banner year under his leadership if not for "Katrina" which was devastating to all of us in some way and you can expect great things to come as we move forward.

All of the councils in my district have taken part in all of the major Knight of Columbus Programs, we all did the Tootsie Roll Drive and sold Christmas Cards, each council has had a blood drive and raised money for both Priest Ed. And pro-life we purchased an additional \$1000 in motorcycle tickets for Priest Ed. For the Biloxi Diocese.

Two of our councils 10216 and 11934 have adopted Church's on the coast and have been going down regularly and working with, each pitched in and helped when they were need at different times and place and in many different ways after the storm. Even though most of the damage was to the south there was plenty to be done up this way and all produced when called upon to do so.

This has been a crazy kind of year for membership for us. All of my councils have brought in new members this year with 10216 leading the way, with Ted Gray as G.K. this council has done a wonderful job and done many good things for the Knight of Columbus and always represented us in a very proud manner and the entire state should be proud to have them working for them. 9543 Madison as always continues to do a great job at everything they do, under the leadership of G.K. Richard Cameron. They set new records for a golf tournament and donations to Priest Ed. This year and plan to improve on it next year. 8038 this year with first time G.K. Tom Logue has done a really super job in recruiting new members and getting back to the programs in the Church with Fr. Hurley and back into community involvement and doing very well. 11934 my home council has had a very busy year. Although we did not have a gain in membership we have brought in 5 new members, our most crowing glory came when we took part in our Mission Church after 101 year as became a parish. We also have worked hard for Priest Ed. And raise 3 fold what we had before. Yes everyone did not accomplished everything that they hope for but everything that was done has left this a much better place and should make every Knight proud to say that he is a Knight of Columbus and are proud of our organization and what we do and are happy at the way we support "Our Church" and our support for all of "Our Priest" and religious.

I am glad that Larry Tabor had let me serve for him as D.D.6 for this year. It has been a great pleasure to not only to call him State Deputy but to also call him my friend.

Respectfully submitted;
Joseph. R. Jones Jr., D.D.# 6

District Deputy # 7
Dr. Wade Ditcharo

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as District Deputy # 7 of the Mississippi Jurisdiction. The councils in the District include Council 1034, Natchez, GK Larry Gardner, council 6592, Bassfield, GK Noel Skinner, council 7915, GK Owen Junkin, and council 8054, McComb, GK O'Neil Amedee.

During the past year, I have had the opportunity to visit all councils in my district as well as numerous phone conversations with each offering my services and the services of the state officers in any way to aid their councils in achieving their goals and needs.

Under the guidance of each council's Grand Knight, all councils submitted their required Reports. All councils have been very active in their parishes and communities in all activity areas. All councils will participate in the drives for People with Intellectual Disabilities and the Priest/Seminarian Fund.

Currently, District # 7 has one 1st Degree team. This team will be re-certified in the near future. Hopefully, within the next six months, another team will be certified.

The District held one 1st degree exemplification during the year. One council in our district is likely to achieve its membership quota for the year. Hopefully, next year, will prove more membership successful.

The Squires Circle in Natchez has been very active this year. The importance of the Squires in formation of youth as well as grooming for future Knights cannot be over Emphasized. Councils 7915 and 8054 are hopeful to have a joint Squires Circle within six months.

District # 7 has roundtable representatives in most parishes.

Although membership is down this year, the Knights in District # 7 have strived to emulate the ideals of our order as set by our founder. These Knights have served their Parishes and communities faithfully and unselfishly promoting solid Catholic Christian Values. Good job brothers!

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Wade Ditcharo
District Deputy # 7

District Deputy # 8 Report

I have been truly honored to have had the opportunity to served as a District Deputy in the great jurisdiction of Mississippi!

Although Hurricane Katrina inflicted less damage directly on the Councils in District 8 than it did on our Brothers on the Gulf Coast, life changed suddenly and irreparably for our members too. As we prepare for the 2006 State Convention, our Councils are just now beginning to return to a semblance of normality.

We began the year poised on forming a new Council so that both Tylertown and Columbia could be served by their own Council. Hurricane Katrina delayed the institution of that Council, but did not prevent it. Councils in District 8 now include:

1908 Hattiesburg	Grant Knight Larry Grant
2180 Laurel	Grand Knight Robert Webb
7211 Lumberton	Grand Knight Anthony Knue
11654 Wiggins	Grand Knight Don Eakin
11956 Tylerton	Grand Knight Harry Smith
13936 Columbia	Grand Knight Bob Frey

The members of these Councils have volunteered countless hours working in relief centers and traveling to the coast, while continuing their own work in the various ministries in their parishes.

A change in work assignments necessitate me to relinquish my post. I wish my replacement , all of my Councils, and the State Family prosperity and blessings in the coming year.

Vivat Jesus,
Dr. John D. Krumpas
District Deputy #8

District Deputy # 9 No Report

District Deputy # 10
John J Maynard

It has been an honor and a priviledge serving as District Deputy # 10 this term.
My district consists of six councils:

1522	Bay St. Louis	Pere Le Duc
1583	Gulfport	Bishop Gunn
4898	Long Beach	St. Vincent De Paul
4472	Pass Christian	Monsignor Leech
11541	Gulfport	St. James
12271	Gulfport CB Base	St. Joseph the Worker

Who could have known the devastation our councils and communities would
Sustain as the results of the storm on August 29, 2005. Our council members are scattered all
over the Country.

I am proud to announce all six councils are conduction meetings and will once again
Do very well.

Vivat Jesus,
Respectfully submitted,
John J Maynard
District Deputy # 10

District Deputy # 11
Arthur A. Dunn

Worthy State Deputy and State Officers, it has been both an honor and a privilege to serve as District Deputy #11 for the Mississippi Jurisdiction Knights of Columbus for the past year, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Worthy State Deputy for entrusting me to serve in this position.

Due to the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina I did not accomplished the goals I set for my district. Of the four councils in District 11, two lost everything and two had significant damage. As we recover from this disaster our district has grown in membership and all Councils have become stronger and more active. I would like to thank all the people who have helped me in this position and especially all the Grand Knights and leaders in the Councils of District 11 for their hard work and determination in making our district and the Mississippi Jurisdiction an organization we can all be proud to be a part of.

District # 11 consist of councils 9094 in D'Iberville, my home council, council 1244 in Biloxi, council 9409 in West Biloxi, and 9673 in Woolmarket. For the fraternal year 2005-2006, I have had the pleasure of installing officers in three of the four councils in my district. All four council Grand Knights and membership directors have worked hard to overcome the devastating effects of Hurricane Katrina to attain their individual membership goals. Councils 9673 and 9409 have increased their membership and are on target for Star Council. Councils 1244 and 9094 are working very hard to rebuild their council homes, and continue to work very closely with their parish priests, community, and church.

May God continue to bless us all with His love and mercy as we continue to recover from the destruction of Hurricane Katrina. As members of the Knights of Columbus we need to reach out to all Catholic gentlemen and invite them to join our Order and experience the joy of being a Knight of Columbus.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur A. Dunn
District Deputy # 11

This "Fraternal Year" has been just "that"! I've learned more about "Fraternalism" in these past three months than I did in the past ten years, thanks to a not so "lady-like" storm we called "Katrina"! Because of her devastation, I was afforded the opportunity to become more intimately involved with my fellow-Knights, their families, my own family, and friends who were hit hard and are still suffering the effects of this tragedy. Many are still in great need.

I want to thank our Worthy State Deputy, Larry Tabor for taking a chance with me and putting so much trust in me at this time of struggle and uncertainty. Also, thanks to those of you who might have recommended me for the District Deputy position, I certainly hope I haven't let you down.

I can't imagine how hard these times have been on my fellow DD's here in the South, and yet, I am amazed at how much has been accomplished in spite of all the obstacles nature has put in our way!

I'm privileged to have six great councils and one Round Table in District 12: 1605/Ken Broussard-GK, 5654/Ed Cupps-GK, 9124/Mike Meehan-GK, 10499/Robert Frey-GK, 11904/Jim Henderson-GK, and 12166/John Johnson-GK. One Round Table @ St. Ann's-Hurley. These Councils have accomplished much in spite of their personal losses as well as the damage to their Councils and Parishes.

In July, 2005 we held Corporate Communion, I made my 1st DD/Council visit, we attended the "State Family" kick-off, the State Organizational meeting, got installed as State Officers, attended "School of Columbianism*", and K of C Academy. Installed the Officers of Council # 5654, participated in "2006 Convention Planning" meeting, and conducted a 1st Degree Exemplification @ #5654 and did "fund raisers as well.

In August we installed Councils 1645, 9124, and 12166 all in one ceremony and enjoyed a very nice Social afterwards. Participated in Deacon Martin Finnegan's retirement celebration, installed Officers of # 10499 and enjoyed *spectacular dinner surrounded by beautiful decorations. Conducted my 1st "District meeting" @ 10499. participated in 2nd "Convention Planning" meeting. THEN CAME "KATRINA"!!

September was a very short month as far as activities go and yet, we held Corporate Communion, and I made five official DD visits to my Councils in an effort to help restore some small degree of activity and normalcy. Each time, I was received with respect and dignity and soon realized these Brother Knights were all, without exception, ready and willing to take on the awesome job of re-building not only their own shattered lives, but were just as ready to "breathe-life" back into their councils! HATS-OFF

In October, we continued holding Corporate Communion and prayed for help and guidance. I made a second DD-visit to #12166 and they lost their Hall and were meeting in the Church which itself had been seriously damaged. There was a small turnout, but all were up beat and ready to go forward, I offered what help I could. We participated in the "Rosary Rally", the Council 5654 1st Degree Team conducted a Dress Rehearsal in order to stay prepared, and we began formation of a new 1st Degree Team which has since come to fruition and will be called 10499's Team. In November we held our 1st "Mid-Winter" District meeting at # 9124, participated in distribution of "Relief" supplies @ 9094 and participated our 1st Annual "Food-Fest" at # 9094.

December saw a little more lean towards the "tighter" more pleasant things that we're more used to at that Season of the year. After the "mid-winter" State meeting in Clinton, we held "Light-up for Christ" at 10499, distributed well deserved "Relief" checks on two different occasions and held several enjoyable Council "Christmas Parties" along the way.

January, 2006 saw us participating in the Annual "Carlow Priest Reunion" Mass and celebration at 9409/Fatima, we conducted a Corporate Communion & membership "Blitz" at 10499. conducted State Free-Throw (southern region) @ #5654, attended Southern Regional meeting @ 7087/Kiln, conducted local Free-Throw @ #9124, held a 1st Degree Exemplification @ 12166, and another Free-Throw District competition @ # 9124.

February we teamed-up with District #11 and held a joint District meeting at #9409/Fatima, held another Corporate Communion/Blitz at #10499. held the (southern) State Free-Throw at #5654. conducted 1st Degree exemplification @ #1605. participated in "Relief supply distribution in DeLisle, picked up more supplies from Dr. Paul and distributed to District #12 Councils, finalized arrangements with Wal-Mart to sell #Motor-cycle Raffle" tickets at their store.

March we began to re-instate fund raisers with a Friday "fish-fry" at #10499. distributed more "Relief" supplies, received and unloaded large truck of "cabinetry" and school supplies for Resurrection in Pascagoula, distributed more tools to #9124, conducted Corporate Communion * 10499, communicated with "Adoptive Council" per more "relief", continued Fish-Fries through-out Lent. held State Free-Throw at #5654, participated in St. Patrick's Day parade, helped with St. Joseph's Altar @ St. Elizabeth's, and conducted a 1st Degree Exemplification at #1605,

So far in April we've attended a "tri-council" Corporate Communion at St. Joseph's/ Moss Point-1605. 9124. and 12166 participated and enjoyed a very nice social and cut a cake in honor of Fr. Michael McGivney, our founder, ordered and distributed "Tootsie Rolls" and Aprons to all councils in District, held three "motor-cycle raffle" ticket sales events with #5654 & 10499 participating raising in excess of \$3,000.00 for the "Priest Education" fund. We continue with Corporate Communions because they're important to "Unity and Success" and now that Lent is over, we will continue Fish-Fries on a monthly basis.

The "above" is just the "tip" so to speak when you stop to consider all the hard work, sacrifice, and suffering these Brother Knights and their "loved-ones" have to endure just to be able to act normal. GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM AND YOU!!

Respectfully submitted,
George "Flitter" Roberts/District Deputy *12

State Officers Reports

STATE DEPUTY'S REPORT

OPENING SESSION, FRIDAY, 28 April, 5:30 PM

State Deputy Larry Tabor calls to order the first business session at 5:30 PM.

Your Excellencies, Reverend Fathers, Worthy State Officers, Past State Deputies, District Deputies, honored delegates, and my brother Knights all:

It is my distinct pleasure and honor to now declare this 102nd Annual State Meeting of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus officially opened. Worthy State Warden David Scott, do you vouch that all here present possess their rightful membership card?

Thank you worthy State Warden; and now I ask everyone to stand and welcome our Worthy State Chaplain, Father Michael O'Connor as he leads us in our opening prayer. Upon completion of the prayer-Thank you Father O'Connor.

Please remain standing as I invite our State Master of the Mississippi Fourth Degree, Dr. Paul Gospodarski to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon completion of the Pledge -Thank you Worthy Master. Please be seated.

Before I introduce our distinguished guests, there are a few words I would like to share with you. First, I would like to thank District Deputy # 1 Pick Noble and the Tupelo Council for hosting this convention. As most of you know, Katrina wrecked havoc on the Gulf Coast and we were left without a convention facility. Pick Noble and Council 8848 have done an exceptional job and we appreciate your hard work arranging for this year's convention on such short notice. We thank you very much. Lead round of applause.

Everyone by now should have or will soon receive a copy of the convention agenda. Please refer to it often so you will know what time activities start and where they are being held. Please adhere to the times set forth so the meetings and activities will begin at the times stated. I will do my best to start and end as planned.

State conventions are not only a time to meet with old friends to catch up on old times and visit hospitality room, BUT it is also a time to recognize the accomplishments of the past year and plan for the year ahead. We have made a few changes so that our presentations will go more smoothly. For example, on Sunday morning we will have a short, open meeting after Mass so your family members can attend.

Introductions

This year we are blessed to have both Bishops with us at our convention. From the host Diocese of Jackson, the Most Reverend Joseph N. Latino. (Applause). From the Biloxi Diocese the Most Reverend Thomas J. Rodi. (Applause).

Each year we are privileged to have a representative from the Supreme Council attend our State Convention. We are extremely pleased to have with us Supreme Director John A. Harrison, Jr., Past State Deputy from North Carolina, and his lovely wife Anne. (Applause).

I would also like to recognize our Past State Deputies in attendance, Tom Chady, Tom Zettler, Jesse Quinn Jr., and Guy Todaro.

Now, on with our official business. Worthy State Secretary Danny Lechner, prepare to read the minutes of the 2005 State Convention. I will entertain a motion that the reading of the minutes be waived. Motion made, and without any further discussion, the motion was carried.

At this time, all District Deputies, State Program Directors and Chairmen, and Grand Knights who have not submitted their annual reports, please do so now. State Secretary Danny Lechner will gladly accept your reports through the close of the Fourth Business session.

Worthy Warden David Scott has made the assignment of delegate chairs. Delegates are required to sit in the chairs designated for their council.

At this time I call upon Dr. Paul Gospodarski for the Master's Report.

Before we close this business session, there are a few announcements I must make.

- The Credentials Committee will meet at 10PM at the location specified.
- The Resolutions Committee will also meet at 10PM at the location specified.
- A change is necessary for the Mileage and Per Diem Committee. PSD Robert Fratesi will now head this committee so the State Treasurer can be with the Audit Committee.
- Tomorrow morning we will celebrate our annual Memorial Mass for our deceased brother Knights and those departed wives of our brothers. If you have any changes or additions to the Necrology, please see State Secretary Danny Lechner before then.
- Doors will open at 7:30 for tonight's banquet.

I ask Father O'Connor to close this meeting with a prayer.

The first business session was closed at 6:20 PM

FRIDAY NIGHT'S BANQUET AND AWARDS CEREMONY

The Master of Ceremonies takes the lead to introduce the head table and then asks Father O'Connor to say the blessing. He continues with the evening's scheduled events.

Introduction of the Supreme Representative

It is now my honor to introduce our representative from the Supreme Council. I had the pleasure to witness this Knight's election as Supreme Director at the 2001 Knights of Columbus Supreme Council meeting held in Toronto and his reelection to a second term in 2004. He is the Past State Deputy of North Carolina, and he and his lovely wife Anne have been married for 26 years. We are very excited to have with us this evening, a very dedicated and accomplished fellow brother Knight. Ladies and gentlemen, please join in welcoming Supreme Director John Harrison, Jr. (Applause).

A special request has been honored this evening, and I would like for us all to reflect a moment on what occurred last August 29th along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, New Orleans, and Mobile. I believe the storm has changed many lives one way or another. Father Kent will now offer his prayers in remembrance of this tragedy. Thank you Father Kent.

Special Award Presentations

I want to recognize District Deputy # 8 John Krumpos who chartered a new Council in Columbia MS and the new Grand Knight of Council 13936, Robert Frey. This new council is a result of growth in the two mission parishes of Columbia-Tylertown. Congratulations and best wishes to these relatively small but dynamic, hard-charging councils.

It is my honor to make three Special recognition presentations to people for their tireless efforts in support of our State's Disaster relief program. All three gave their all when the call was made. All three, who along with the support of their wives, sacrificed their time, their energies, and their talents to serve the Mississippi Jurisdiction. In no particular order, since their contributions have been equally important and impressive.

First, Brother Carl Brochard, State Family Director. When I called for someone to head up the Adopt-A-Council program and serve as the Disaster Relief Coordinator, he said "Sure, what do you want me to do?" No hesitation, no suspicion, no questions such as how long, or why can't someone else do it, he just stood up to the plate. Many councils have benefited from his coordination efforts and are very thankful for his work. For his tireless work, I applaud him for his outstanding support and meticulous attention to detail. I present this plaque to brother Carl Brochard.

When Supreme enacted a Disaster Relief program to funnel millions of dollars to our brother Knights in distress, we needed some one with determination, organization, and who could play 10 over par golf. Well, 2 out of 3 wasn't bad. This individual with the assistance of his wife

serving as the trusty administrative vice president accepted my plea for assistance. I found out later that his wife was the one who actually knew how to run the computer and develop an excellent method of accountability. This Knight set out to meet with councils along the Gulf Coast to take in individual disaster relief applications, process them and tracking each case. To date, over \$257,000 has been disbursed through his chairmanship. He and his lovely bride did a superb job administering this program with detailed accuracy. I owe a great debt of gratitude to Don and Carol Cox.

Last and surely not least is another couple that rose to the occasion during the aftermath of the Katrina. This husband and wife team could own "Let's Make a Deal" show or his own "Donations "R" Us" store. I believe they made over 42 trips to the coast, most of them in their own van. For someone who as never before driven a huge rental truck, I would say he did a super job bringing tons of donations to the coastal area. His co-pilot and navigator, who also served as the event photographer once their feet hit the ground. Many Knights, Church parishes, and needy individuals along the Mississippi coast are thankful for their contribution. Ladies and gentlemen, let's show our appreciation to Dr. Paul and his wife Cathy.

After the awards presentations were completed, Father O'Connor offered the closing prayer

SECOND BUSINESS MEETING – SATURDAY 29 APRIL

The Second Business meeting was opened at 9:30 AM

State Deputy's Report

Your Excellencies, Reverend Fathers, Worthy Supreme Representative, Worthy State Officers and Past State Deputies, District Deputies, Delegates to the 102nd Annual State Meeting of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus, my brother Knights all:

It is always a pleasure to attend our State Conventions in Tupelo. I have fond memories of this city and even this convention center as several significant events in my Knights of Columbus career have happened here. Tupelo was the site of my first convention I attended back in 1989. I had no idea what to expect, so I went along for the ride and took in all the meetings and hospitality rooms just like everyone else. Ten years ago, in this very convention center, I had the honor of being elected as your State Warden. This year's meeting also has great significance as this is my first convention as your State Deputy.

Much has transpired since I was installed in office on July 1, 2005. The State Officers and I held our first "KC Academy" in conjunction with our Schools of Columbianism. From what I heard,

everyone enjoyed the program. We were able to chart out our programs and scheduled our major degrees and we were all hoping for a successful and rewarding fraternal year. Then came Katrina and turned our lives into shambles. What a difference 24 hours make? Sunday morning masses went on as usual, but many people had the storm on their minds. They were asking themselves should they evacuate or should they stay. I am sure many people thought back to hurricane Camille and thought it was the worst storm ever—nothing could surpass it. My employment at Keesler Air Force Base required me to be on duty; therefore I took Denise with me to the office. She was reluctant to leave the house.

The hours, days, weeks, and months after Katrina were a very trying time for many of us. My worst fear right after the storm was not being able to contact my son and daughter in law and my grandson. I knew my Mom was with my sister and her husband in Texas. Denise's family fled New Orleans as well.

Immediately after the storm all commercial phones were out—even cell phones did not work. However, our email on Keesler was operating, though I thought only with other government facilities. Some time during the day after the storm I received an email from someone in the Knights inquiring about our status. I immediately tried to make contact with the other State Officers. I found out later Danny was in Jackson, Jerry was at his home in Gulfport and doing alright. David Scott was at home in Jackson without electricity. Peter Sukanek was doing just fine in Oxford. I knew it would be a long time before we knew the status of all the Knights and their families along the coast.

Since our State Treasurer Peter Sukanek was the only one who had full communications, he became my voice line with the outside world. He became the command post for the Knights in Mississippi. Peter served as the intermediary between us and the Supreme Council to pass info along to me and the other State Officers. He emailed and said Supreme had enacted a Disaster Relief program to funnel immediate aid to our State. They wired \$10,000.00 to our State Treasury for our emergency assistance. Since I had no way to communicate with Supreme except my email, Peter Sukanek became my link with Supreme during their conference calls. He took part in several teleconference calls with the Supreme Knight and the Board of Directors and earned a reputation for his exceptional response to the crisis. Peter, we owe you a debt of gratitude for your outstanding service to our Order. (Applause)

As my office email address spread throughout the Order, I began receiving emails from Jurisdictions as far away as Hawaii. Everyone asked what they could do to help us. Most of all they offered us their prayers. Little did I know what was going on in other parts of the State. Our Knights were helping evacuees from both Louisiana and Mississippi. I heard of the tremendous effort at the Jackson Coliseum that our Knights were doing to feed the masses. I discovered KC's as far away as Oxford, Tupelo, and Grenada were helping evacuees. I heard charity at work.

Donations and offers of assistance came pouring in for all over the country. Carl Brochard began coordinating the Adopt-A-Parish, Adopt-A-School, and Adopt-A-Council program.

Thankfully, the Biloxi Diocese intervened for the parishes and schools and Carl began to direct assistance to the councils. Tony Dixon for Bay St. Louis lead recovery operations in that part of the State. He and the men from Bay St. Louis Council 1522 accomplished many, many successful rebuilding efforts. Councils in the central part of the State sent work crews to our area; individual Knights volunteered themselves from all over the country. Monetary donations were sent to our State Treasury from State Councils, local councils, and individuals. Supreme instituted a grant program that Don Cox administered, seeking out our Knights who lost their homes and contents. We were able to purchase \$28K in Wal-Mart gift cards to provide immediate relief to our brother Knights. Thanks to the Illinois State Council we were able to disburse \$300 checks to over 150 Knights. The Illinois Knights sent an initial donation of \$20K and just before Christmas sent us another \$30K. I cannot begin to tell you how I felt—feelings of joy, gratitude, and humility.

I have expressed our State's sincerest appreciation for the Order's support when I attended Supreme's mid-year meeting held in Dallas last November. When approached by the Mr. Carl Anderson, I broke into tears; there wasn't much I could say but thank you.

We will rebound and recover. The Knights of Columbus, driven by the conviction of our Holy religion, will do what must be done to return to normalcy amid the destruction in South Mississippi. My prayers are with you and with our Order. We should all say prayers of thanksgiving for the generosity shown to us.

It is indeed a pleasure to serve you as your State Deputy. Let's hope and pray next year's hurricane season is a mild one and the coast is spared.

May God Bless and Keep you all.

The Second Business Session was closed at 12:20 PM by a prayer by Father O'Connor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Larry J. Tabor
State Deputy

State Secretary Report

This year will always be remembered for the devastation caused by Katrina. The homes, businesses, churches, and schools that were destroyed. The lives that will be forever changed. We could have laid down and given up. But, we are the Knights of Columbus and Knights never quit or give up. We look at the obstacles that confront us and face them head on. When we were down, who came to our aid? Our brother Knights in Mississippi, our brother Knights in the United States, our brother Knights in Canada, and our brother Knights at Supreme. We are blessed to be a part of the greatest Catholic Men's Fraternal organization on earth, the Knights of Columbus.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Lechner
State Deputy

State Treasurer's Report April 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006

<u>Beginning Balance (April 1, 2005)</u>	\$51,616.32
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Income

Per Capita	\$42,455.95
Car Tag Receipts	\$6,986.00
Christopher Fund	\$5,958.69
Disaster Relief	\$94,467.00
Exemplification Fees	\$1,482.00
Interest Earned	\$49.99
Miscellaneous Income	\$897.55
Returned Checks	\$270.25
State Convention	\$135.00
Voided Check	\$50.00

<u>Total Income</u>	\$152,752.43
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<u>Expenses</u>	
2005 State Convention	\$22,615.45
Ads	\$100.00
Bank Charge	\$261.24
Car Tags	\$6,865.00
Christopher Fund	\$5,258.69
Degree Expense	\$737.25
Disaster Relief Payments	\$83,931.24
Donation	\$250.00
Licenses and Permits	\$50.00
Magnolia Knight	\$50.83
Mass Cards (SMA Fathers)	\$250.00
Miscellaneous Business Expense	\$335.73
Postage	\$498.35
Printing and Reproduction	\$3,645.69
State Officer/Committee Chair General Expense	\$12,639.74
Subscriptions	\$84.50
Supplies	\$2,472.67
Supreme Convention	\$1,552.65
<u>Total Expenses</u>	\$141,599.03
<u>Gain (Loss)</u>	\$11,153.40 ¹
Ending Balance (March 31, 2006)	\$62,769.72

¹ Note that \$8,838.17 is committed to Disaster Relief.

Disaster Relief Report
(September 1, 2005 to April 4, 2006)

Income

Supreme Council	\$30,000
Arkansas State Council	\$1,000
California State Council	\$1,500
Illinois State Council	\$50,000
Texas State Council	\$1,000
Virginia State Council	\$2,106
Wisconsin State Council	\$1,000
Council 902, MO	\$700
Council 3885, Philadelphia	\$200
Council 4315, San Antonio	\$100
Council 5341, MN	\$1,000
Council 11122, VA	\$200
Council 898, Vicksburg	\$1,250
Council 7915, Brookhaven	\$1,200
Council 8912/Assembly 2913, Corinth	\$561
Council 9094, D'Iberville	\$2,000
Dennis Kachmar	\$250
Robert C Weiden	\$400

<u>Total Income</u>	\$94,467
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Distributions

Wal-Mart Gift Cards	\$25,000
Checks to individuals	\$45,600
Biloxi Catholic Schools	\$5,000
Dedaux Retreat Center	\$5,000
St. Alphonse Church	\$2,106
Truck Rentals	\$2,776
Travel, supplies	\$147

<u>Total Distributions</u>	\$85,629
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Respectfully submitted,

Peter C. Sukanek
State Treasurer

April 2006

It seems like only yesterday that you honored me by electing me to the position of State Advocate. We have come a long ways and endured many trials and tribulations since then. This year, more than any other year, has opened my eyes to the many good things you do throughout the State.

I would like to begin my report by thanking my predecessor, Brother Peter Sukanek. He did an excellent job of record keeping during his two-year tenure as State Advocate. He took on the project of updating the State By-laws to reflect the many revisions identified in previous conventions and as a result, our by laws are now current and up to date. He gave sound advice to all who sought his counsel and I hope I can do as well in the position.

The Fraternal year started out relatively slow, but as we all know, Hurricane Katrina quickly changed that. Although everyone in the State was effected in various ways, everyone pulled together to lend a helping hand to those in need. Money, Material and Manpower poured in from throughout the State and the Order. While our Worthy State Deputy, Brother Larry Tabor, did an exceptional job of handling the situation, it soon became evident that we need a centralized focal point to coordinate the many resources coming in to go wherever they are needed the most. As a result we, the State Officers, are looking into the legality and feasibility of forming a non profit foundation to work with Supreme and the various jurisdictions throughout our order whenever and wherever disaster strikes.

Being your State Advocate is not the easy job I thought it was. I often sought out the help and advice from our team of Sate Officers, some Past State Deputies and from several of you, my brother knights. It means a lot to know I can depend on you for help. Thanks to all of you for the words of advice and encouragement.

Although we had one new Council form this year, it was a difficult process that required several meetings with the District Deputy, the State Advocate and me. We also had one Council suspended by Supreme and another is now near suspension. Plus, there were some other issues that we had to address. To those of you I dealt with on business, I hope all of you understand that, while I did not always give you the answers you were hoping for, in every instance I tried to do what was best for the State and the Order.

It has been an honor and privilege for me to serve you this past year. I have been awestruck by all of you as I watch you exemplify what we stand for. We have all pulled together as brothers and helped, each in their own way, in the recovery efforts throughout the State. While I am proud of being a Brother Knight, I am especially proud of being a member of the team of Brother Knights from the great State of Mississippi.

Vivat Jesus!

Respectfully Submitted,

Gerald Schmuck

State Advocate

STATE WARDEN'S REPORT

My worthy brother knights;

Thank you for having the confidence in me and allowing me to serve you in the position of State Warden this past fraternal year. My admiration and respect for my fellow state officers has grown and solidified over the last twelve months. Until becoming a state officer, I never realized how much time and effort are spent on the numerous decisions made by the state officers in support of the councils, officers and members of our jurisdiction. It has been my experience this past year that this set of state officers have placed the interests and concerns of their fellow brother knights above their own desires by attending numerous council functions across the state; by dealing with the occasional crisis, however significant or minute it may have been; by attending and participating in ceremonials in each region of the state and by assisting those who needed assistance the most after the devastating catastrophe of Katrina. It has been my honor and privilege to be a part of this team.

There are two areas that I wish to address: ceremonials and membership

With regard to ceremonials, if you have been to a 1st degree exemplification in the last six months, please stand up. Remain standing if you have been to a 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification in the last six months. If you are a member of a 1st, 2nd or 3rd degree team, please stand up. Give these men a hand. The ceremonials are more than just an initiation into our fraternity; they are lessons. Lessons about the Knights of Columbus, lessons about Catholicism, lessons about life. They are lessons about charity, unity and fraternity. I encourage each of you to attend a 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification and to listen to the lesson being

**Immediate Past State Deputy's Report
2006 State Convention**

My Brother Knights:

One of the tenets that is associated with good leadership skills is the ability to prioritize: To set goals and objectives, and to work on the those that are important first. Often overlooked in this is the ability to put goals and objectives that others may consider important and to be priorities in a different perspective, or even put them aside. One of these priority items is membership and here I am referring to the goals set for your councils by the Supreme Council and the MS State Council. As I reported to the delegates at last year's State Convention in my State Deputy's Report, Supreme, in various subtle and unsubtle ways, is constantly reminding us of our membership status. Are these membership goals important? My answer this year is a qualified, "usually". That new members are the lifeblood of the Order is a given. However quotas mean little to those councils in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina who lost their facilities and whose officers decided their priority should be attempting to locate their members, ascertain how they fared in the destruction left by Katrina, and how they best can be helped.

In my remarks after some of our degree work, I'll say that if our founder, the Servant of God Father Michael J. McGivney could have been with us, how proud he would be of your response. I believe that he would say that today about the numerous acts of charity the knights have done for hurricane relief. Charity has been and is our first priority. So, please, let us not be discouraged by our membership numbers. Let us instead be *encouraged* by the overwhelming response our Order has made to help those in need. I commend all here present today who have aided their brother knights and fellow man in any capacity whatsoever and I thank you for the leadership that you have shown.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard T. Lieding, Immediate Past State Deputy

taught. Then, consider becoming a teacher. Consider joining a degree team. The opportunity exists for you to become a member of a degree team. Take that opportunity.

On the subject of membership, at the mid-winter meetings I asked each knight that attended those meetings to make a new year's resolution to recruit one new member. I now ask each member here to reflect on whether you made that resolution a reality. Gentlemen, I would like to report that I have recruited one new member into the knights of Columbus since January 1, 2006 and I really have no good excuse for not recruiting more. Well, I have a new goal and a new request. There are about 160 knights in this room. If each one of us recruits three (3) new members between now and the next convention, that will be almost 500 new knights. I have no doubt that each man here can recruit three new members in a year and in the now infamous words of Todd Beamer, "Let's roll."

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

David Scott

State Warden

State Committee Reports

NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT REPORT

With the division of Columbia/Tylertown into separate councils, Mississippi added its 58th council. Tylertown retained the original Council # 11956 while Columbia received a new number # 13936.

We had a successful membership drive in Olive Branch in early April. We feel assured it will result in the formation of our 59th council, maybe as early as the end of May.

We are continuing our efforts in New Albany and hope to have a membership drive there in the near future.

Our efforts in Waveland and Van Cleve were washed away by Katrina.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Chady, PSD
NCD Chairman

SQUIRES REPORT

The Mississippi state Squires convention was held in Columbia on April 23rd. Three of the five existing circles were present. Nearly every circle experienced a chief counselor change in the past couple of months.

Longtime Chief Counselor Joe Niezgoda retired after 15 years with Ocean Springs and now will assist me at the state level. Scott Leslie will assume leadership of the Ocean Springs circle. Darren Cowart takes over in Natchez and Greg Moore takes over Columbia.

It was noted that once again, Ocean Springs won the Brother Barnabas and Corp de Elite awards. Election of state officers resulted in the following:

State Chief Squire	Vincent Arbogast
State Deputy Chief Squire	Alex Allbritton
State Marshall	William Miller
State Bursar	Anthony J. Martishius
State Notary	Jeremy Pasquini
State Sentry	Adam Thornton
State Arm Captain	Todd Broom
State Pole Captain	Kevin Bourgeois

The Rev. Martin Gillespie remains our State Prior. Vincent Arbogast was selected our Squire of the Year and Bob Frey was named Counselor of the Year,

The members present decided to continue softball and basketball, but also added soccer to their annual events. No dates have been set for any functions at this time. Besides active circles in Ocean Springs, Columbia, Vicksburg, Greenville, and Natchez, interest is beginning to peak in Southaven, McComb/Brookhaven, Jackson, Starkville and Tylertown.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Chady, PSD
State Squires Chairman

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

2005/06 State Report

This year's Keep Christ in Christmas was another success. Fourteen councils took part in selling over 675 boxes of cards. This year three councils made their quotas set forth by the state. Several councils put up billboards and signs promoting the true meaning of Christmas. Since 1995 Mississippi Knights have distributed over 125,000 spiritual messages and raised over \$25,000 for charity. In 2005 Mississippi Knights distributed over 16,000 spiritual messages and raised more than \$2,100 for charity. The Mississippi State Council took in \$506.75 for 2005. I would like to thank all the participating councils and their dedicated chairmen for a job well done.

The following councils made their state quotas:

Council	Grand Knight	Chairman
6765 Starkville	Randy Follett	Randy Follett
13502 Batesville	Pascual Cruz	<i>Jimmy Griffin</i>
19216 Brandon	Ted Gray	Ray Buttz

I would also like to encourage the rest of the councils in the state to take an active part in the Keep Christ in Christmas campaign. With Hurricane Katrina, all councils need to raise as much funds as possible. An additional \$0.75 out of each box sold goes to the state council. Please help promote the true meaning of Christmas - The Birth of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Nat Zummo
State KCIC Chairman

2006 Mississippi Memorial Prolife Fund Report

Delegates assembled at the 96th Annual Convention of the Mississippi State Council in Robinsonville, MS in April 2000 voted to establish a Mississippi Memorial Prolife Fund. This fund will not require any funds from the Mississippi State Council. This fund will function the same way the Bishop R. O. Gerow Memorial Fund for Priest Education does. Councils can contribute money to the fund throughout the year for presentation to the Bishop of Jackson and the Bishop of Biloxi at our annual state convention. Our bishops will distribute the funds to prolife organizations selected by their respective Diocesan offices.

The fund provides an excellent way for councils, Knights and others to donate memorial gifts in remembrance of deceased Knights, family members, relatives, and friends.

Councils should always make their checks payable to either the Diocese of Biloxi or the Diocese of Jackson and not the Mississippi State Council. These donations should be sent to the Memorial Prolife Fund Chairman for recording purposes. Each year all donations will be listed and acknowledged in the Memorial Prolife Fund Chairman's report in our annual convention minute book and the council and assembly making the largest donation will be awarded a certificate at the Convention Banquet. There are plenty of councils that have not donated to this fund yet, so there is much room for improvement and increased donations to this worthy cause.

Donations should be sent to the chairman at the following address:

Miss. Memorial Prolife Fund
Dennis Riecke, Chairman
605 Acorn Lane
Brandon, MS 39047

Mississippi Memorial Prolife Fund Donations Diocese of Jackson

Council	2006	2000-2005	Total
802 Meridian	200.00	200.00	400.00
848 Jackson	0	0	0
898 Vicksburg	150.00	100.00	250.00
1034 Natchez	0	100.00	100.00
2969 Clarksdale	0	0	0
2134 Greenville	0	0	0

2945 Leland	0	0	0
5267 Greenwood	0	0	0
5556 Cleveland	0	0	0
6555 Shelby	0	0	0
6765 Starkville	100.00	0	100.00
7120 Southaven	0	0	0
7854 Clinton	100.00	0	100.00
7915 Brookhaven	300.00	400.00	700.00
7974 Columbus	0	0	0
8038 Pearl	100.00	0	100.00
8054 McComb	0	100.00	100.00
8285 Jackson, St. Therese	0	100.00	100.00
8760 Holly Springs	0	0	0
8848 Tupelo	500.00	100.00	600.00
8912 Corinth	0	25.00	25.00
9234 Indianola	150.00	0	150.00
9543 Madison	1,100.00	4,357.70	5,457.70
10216 Brandon	1,500.00	2,000.00	3,500.00
10443 Grenada	0	0	0
10901 Oxford	0	0	0
11934 Gluckstadt	100.00	660.00	760.00
Assembly			
1564 Msgr. John F. Clerico	0	25.00	25.00
2269 Bishop Joseph B. Brunini	100.00	2,000.94	2,100.94
2734 Starkville/Columbus	150.00	50.00	200.00
Individuals			
Charles Wilkerson	0	20.00	20.00
Nat Zummo	0	50.00	50.00
Brian Engelland	0	50.00	50.00
	2006	2000-2005	Total
Total Jackson Diocese Donations	\$4,550	\$10,338.64	\$14,888.64

**Mississippi Memorial Prolife Fund Donations
Diocese of Biloxi**

Council	2006	2000-2005	Total
1244 Biloxi	0	0	0
1522 Bay St. Louis	0	200.00	200.00
1583 Gulfport	0	0	0
1605 Pascagoula	0	0	0
1908 Hattiesburg	200.00	200.00	400.00
2108 Laurel	0	300.00	300.00
4472 Pass Christian	0	0	0
4898 Long Beach	0	0	0
5654 Ocean Springs	0	0	0
6592 Bassfield	0	100.00	100.00
6872 Picayune	0	100.00	100.00
7087 Kiln	0	0	0
7211 Poplarville/Lumberton	0	0	0
7910 Orange Grove	0	0	0
9094 North Biloxi	500.00	450.00	950.00
9124 Gautier	0	0	0
9409 West Biloxi	200.00	350.00	550.00
9543 Madison	0	100.00	100.00
9673 Woolmarket	0	0	0
9958 Lizana	0	0	0
10499 East Ocean Springs	100.00	250.00	350.00
11541 St. James - Gulfport	0	0	0
11654 Wiggins	100.00	200.00	300.00
11904 Lucedale	0	0	0
11956 Columbia/Tylertown	0	0	0
11995 West Harrison	0	0	0
12166 Sacred Heart - Pascagoula	0	2,275.00	2,275.00
12231 Dedeaux	100.00	0	100.00
12271 Seabee Base	0	150.00	150.00
Ladies Auxiliary			
1522 Bay St. Louis	0	200.00	200.00
Individuals			
Larry Tabor	0	100.00	100.00
	2006	2000-2005	Total
Total Biloxi Diocese Donations	\$1,200.00	\$4,975.00	\$6,175.00
Total Statewide Donations	\$5,750.00	\$15,313.64	\$21,0163.64

Family Director Report

As State Family Director in 2005-2006, I went to the installation of State Officers and Organizational meeting in Jackson, Ms.

I attended the Midwinter regional meetings and attended the southern and middle of state, councils.

The State had an average of 10 councils reporting each month for the Families of the Month was 10 families, picked by Supreme. Thanked each council that took the time for submitting their family of the month.

I realize that we had a small number of councils reporting the Family of the Month, because of the Hurricane. I hope we can turn this around this next year and get back on track for reporting the Family of Month, which I know we have at least one Family in each council that is doing an outstanding job in the Church and Community.

Fraternally
Carl Brochard
State Family Director

STATE PROGRAM DIRECTORS REPORT

The Program Guidelines for this year were distributed and explained at the Schools of Columbianism, as well as the Mid-winter meetings for the Northern, Central and Southern Regions of the State. Thirty four out of Fifty eight councils submitted a council program report.

The following awards were presented at convention:

HONOR COUNCIL AWARDS

BISHOP R. O. GEROW	COUNCIL 898	VICKSBURG
FR. KORSTENBROEK	COUNCIL 1034	NATCHEZ
OSCAR J. GELPI	COUNCIL 1244	BILOXI
FR. A.C. DENIS	COUNCIL 2134	GREENVILLE
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI	COUNCIL 6872	PICAYUNE
JAMES D. HART	COUNCIL 7087	KILN
ST. LUCY	COUNCIL 9543	MADISON
ST. JOSEPH	COUNCIL 9673	WOOLMARKET
SACRED HEART	COUNCIL 11904	LUCEDALE
	COUNCIL 11934	GLUCKSTADT
	COUNCIL 12331	DEDEAUX

COUNCIL OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS

MSGR. JOHN J. BURNS	COUNCIL 802	MERIDIAN
BISHOP FAHEY	COUNCIL 1908	HATTIESBURG
	COUNCIL 2180	LAUREL
FR. ROTONDO	COUNCIL 5556	CLEVELAND
FRED L. WESTBROOK	COUNCIL 5654	OCEAN SPRINGS
JOSEPH BONFIGLIO	COUNCIL 7915	BROOKHAVEN
ST. MARY	COUNCIL 9124	GAUTIER
REINHARDT SCHROEDER	COUNCIL 9409	WEST BILOXI
ST. JOHN	COUNCIL 10901	OXFORD
FR. THOMAS BOYCE	COUNCIL 13502	BATESVILLE

DISTINGUISHED COUNCIL AWARDS

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	COUNCIL 4898	LONG BEACH
FR. JOHN P. EGAN	COUNCIL 6765	STARKVILLE
CHARLES R. BRILL	COUNCIL 8054	MCCOMB
ST. PAUL	COUNCIL 10216	BRANDON
MSGR. GREGORY KENNEDY	COUNCIL 10499	OCEAN SPRINGS

STELLAR COUNCIL AWARDS

JOHN T. SAVAGE	COUNCIL 848	JACKSON
ST. THERESE	COUNCIL 8285	JACKSON
ST. JUDE	COUNCIL 13936	COLUMBIA

A pre-convention meeting was held with the State Officers, District Deputies, State Activity Directors and State Committee Chairs being invited. This committee served the purpose of reviewing all submissions for best activities and Knight of the Year and Family of the Year. Projects from each activity area were chosen and were presented to the delegates at convention. The following Service Program Awards were presented at the State Convention:

Best Church Activity

1 st	ST. Vincent De Paul	Council 4898	Long Beach
2 nd	Fr. Korstenbroek	Council 2143	Greenville

Best Community Activity

1 st	Msgr. John J. Burns	Council 802	Meridian
2 nd	St. Therese	Council 8285	Jackson

Best Council Activity

1 st	St. Francis of Assisi	Council 9543	Madison
2 nd		Council 848	Vicksburg

Best Family Activity

1 st	Fr. Korstenbroek	Council 2134	Greenville
2 nd	Msgr. John J. Burns	Council 802	Meridian

Best Youth Activity

1 st	St. Paul	Council 10216	Brandon
2 nd	Holy Savior	Council 7854	Clinton

Best Vocations Activity (Biloxi Diocese)

1 st	Bishop Fahey	Council 1908	Hattiesburg
2 nd	St. Vincent De Paul	Council 4898	Long Beach

Best Vocations Activity (Jackson Diocese)

1 st	Msgr. John J. Burns	Council 802	Meridian
2 nd	St. Paul	Council 10216	Brandon

Best Pro-Life Activity (Biloxi Diocese)

1 st	Bishop Fahey	Council 1908	Hattiesburg
2 nd	St. Vincent De Paul	Council 4898	Long Beach

Best Pro-Life Activity (Jackson Diocese)

1 st	St. Therese	Council 8285	Jackson
2 nd	Msgr. John J. Burns	Council 802	Meridian

Best Newsletter (Small/Medium Councils)

1 st	Fr. John P. Egan	Council 6765	Starkville
2 nd	Patrick Quinn	Council 11956	Tylertown

Best Newsletter (Large/Extra Large Councils)

1 st	Msgr. John J. Burns	Council 802	Meridian
2 nd	Bishop Fahey	Council 1908	Hattiesburg

Best Scrapbook (Small/Medium Councils)

1 st	Fr. Patrick Quinn	Council 11956	Tylertown
2 nd	St. Jude	Council 13936	Columbia

Best Scrapbook (Large/Extra Large Councils)

1 st	Msgr. John J. Burns	Council 802	Meridian
2 nd	Hernando DeSoto	Council 7120	Southaven

Best Small Council

St. Joseph Council 11934 Gluckstadt

Best Medium Council

St. Therese Council 8285 Jackson

Best Large Council

St. Paul Council 10216 Brandon

Best Extra Large Council

Msgr. John J. Burns Council 802 Meridian

Mississippi State Knight of the Year:

Patrick D. Huey Council 4898 Long Beach

Mississippi State Family of the Year:

The Hugh Rester Family Council 2134 Greenville

A copy of the 1st place activity submission for each program area is attached to this report.

I thank the State Deputy, Larry Tabor, the State Officers, the Program Activity Directors, and the District Deputies for all their help in providing this State with a good activities program. I congratulate those successful councils that were recognized for their hard work at this year's convention and encourage them to keep up the good work. I am proud to be a member of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,
William C. Waggoner
State Program Director

STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Martin Bisek

It truly has been an honor to serve State Deputy, Larry Tabor and the Mississippi jurisdiction as Membership Director in 2005-2006. To say the least, this has been a most unusual years. With the pain and devastation of Hurricane Katrina, recruitment of new brothers into our order has understandably not been a high priority in many areas. Yet, our fraternity was blessed with councils who made extreme effort even achieving "Top Gun" status in the face of serious church and family problems. It was rewarding and inspiring to see the interest and dedication of our Brother Knights in advancing our memberships goals.

Thank you one and all.

MEMBERSHIP AND RETENTION

As has been our practice in the recent years, our yearly goals for each council were a net increase of four percent. "Top Gun" councils were to achieve a net increase of eight percent, with no X-Large council having a net goal larger than ten. Thus "Top Gun" for those X-Large councils was a goal of twenty.

We also continued the top Proposer Program but because of the hurricane our recruitment efforts were very top heavy in the central and northern part of our jurisdiction. For this reason we did not recognize proposers by region, but honored the top proposers where ever they were in the state. Every Knight who proposed a new member received a certificate recognizing his efforts.

Of the 58 councils in the Mississippi jurisdiction 15 councils reached or exceeded their state goal memberships. Of that number, 8 councils reached "Top Gun" status.

We exemplified 216 new Brother Knights. We lost 134 brothers to suspensions, withdrawals, and death, leaving us with a net gain of 82, which is 1.3%. The successful membership councils are listed below.

COUNCILS REACHING STATE GOAL

Small Councils Category (55 members or less)

District	Council#	Council Name	Grand Knight
		NONE	

Medium Council Category (56 to 89 members)

District	Council#	Council Name	Grand Knight
6	8038	Pearl	Thomas Logue
7	8054	McComb	O'Neil Amedee
1	8912	Corinth	Joel Weiher
8	11956	Tylertown	Harry Smith

Large Council Category (90 to 150 members)

District	Council#	Council Name	Grand Knight
11	9409	West Biloxi	Roger Houle
12	10499	Ocean Springs	Robert Frey

Extra Large Council Category (151 or more members)

District	Council#	Council Name	Grand Knight
6	9543	Madison	Richard Cameron

TOP GUN COUNCILS

SMALL COUNCIL CATEGORY (55 MEMBERS OR LESS)

District	Council#	Council Name	Grand Knight
8	13936	Columbia	Robert N. Frey

MEDIUM COUNCIL CATEGORY 55 TO 89 MEMBERS)

District	Council#	Council Name	Grand Knight
4	6765	Starkville	Richard Sowers
5	8285	Jackson	Ben Mokry
11	9673	Woolmarket	Paul Leidig

LARGE COUNCIL CATEGORY (90 TO 150 MEMBERS)

District	Council#	Council Name	Grand Knight
5	4898	Long Beach	Elvis Gates
10	848	Jackson	Joe Valencino
4	7974	Columbus	Gino Conti
6	10216	Brandon	Ted Gray

EXTRA LARGE COUNCIL CATEGORY (151 OR MORE MEMBERS)

There were no Extra Large Councils to make Top Gun

COUNCILS WITH HIGHEST NET GAIN

SIZE	DISTRICT	COUNCIL	GRAND KNIGHT	NET
Small	8	13936 Columbia	Robert N. Frey	4
Medium	11	9673 Woolmarket	Paul Leidig	12
Medium	5	8285 Jackson	Ben Mokry	12
Large	4	7974 Columbus	Gino Conti	19
XLarge	6	9543	Richard Cameron	9

COUNCILS WITH HIGHEST NET PERCENT GAIN

SIZE	DISTRICT	COUNCIL	GRAND KNIGHT	NET
Small	8	13936	Robert N. Frey	11%
		Columbia		
Medium	5	8285	Ben Mokry	20%
		Jackson		
Large	4	7974	Gino Conti	21%
		Columbus		
XLarge	6	9543	Richard Cameron	4%
		Madison		

STATE TOP PROPOSER OF THE YEAR

GINO CONTI
7974 COLUMBUS
ELEVEN

RUNNERS-UP FOR TOP PROPOSERS

Mike Kassouf	6765	Starkville	5
Bill Gatzman	2180	Laurel	3
Lou Defillippo	7974	Columbus	3
Bill Sonnemann	7120	Southaven	3

Respectfully submitted,
Martin Bisek
State Membership Director

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JACKSON
BISHOP R. O. GEROW MEMORIAL FUND**

COUNCILS	NBR	PRIOR YEARS TOTALS	2006 TOTALS	TOTALS SINCE INCEPTION
MSGR JOHN J. BURNS-MERIDIAN	802	39,273	750	40,023
JOHN T. SAVAGE-JACKSON	848	36,005	1,000	37,005
VICKSBURG	898	91,250	4,250	95,500
BISHOP R. O. GEROW-NATCHEZ	1034	52,097	3,050	55,147
FR. KORSTENBROEK-GREENVILLE	2134	76,794	1,500	78,294
C. G. SHAPLEY-LELAND	2945	24,512	500	25,012
MSGR JAMES T. MCKENNA-CLARKSDALE	2969	36,570	500	37,070
MSGR JOHN F. CLERICO-GREENWOOD	5267	29,602	2,065	31,667
FR. ROTONDA-CLEVELAND	5556	20,450	1,000	21,450
SHELBY	6555	10,160	0	10,160
FR JOHN P. EGAN-STARKVILLE	6765	4,325	450	4,775
HERNANDO DESOTO-SOUTHAVEN	7120	10,613	625	11,238
HOLY SAVIOR-CLINTON	7854	6,911	500	7,411
JOSEPH BONFIGLIO-BROOKHAVEN	7915	23,950	1,500	25,450
W. H. JOLLY-COLUMBUS	7974	4,025	500	4,525
ST JUDE CENTENNIAL-PEARL	8038	3,104	0	3,104
CHARLES R. BRILL-McCOMB	8054	8,820	0	8,820
ST THERESE-JACKSON	8285	3,570	200	3,770
ST JOSEPH-HOLLY SPRINGS	8760	2,750	0	2,750
FR. ROBERT REITMEIER-TUPELO	8848	11,900	1,000	12,900
ST JAMES THE LESS-CORINTH	8912	3,039	250	3,289
INDIANOLA	9234	4,190	150	4,340
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI-MADISON	9543	30,245	8,000	38,245
ST. PAUL-BRANDON	10216	11,500	2,500	14,000
FR CLIFFORD MEADOR-GRENADA	10443	7,864	1,600	9,464
ST. JOHN-OXFORD	10901	2,000	0	2,000
ST. JOSEPH-GLUCKSTADT	11934	2,827	816	3,642
FR. THOMAS BOYCE - BATESVILLE	13502	474	0	474
TOTALS FOR COUNCILS		558,819	32,706	591,525

ASSEMBLIES				
BISHOP GEROW-JACKSON	554	2,240	500	2,740
MSGR J. J. IGOE-GREENVILLE/LELAND	555	61,709	1,200	62,909
VICKSBURG -	558	7,950	750	8,700
AUGUST J. STONE-NATCHEZ	559	275	500	775
MSGR JOHN J. BURNS-MERIDIAN	1251	3,850	200	4,050
DR. WM F. LAForge, PSD-CLEVELAND	1503	2,350	0	2,350
MSGR. JOHN F. CLERICO-GREENWOOD	1569	1,265	0	1,265
FR. CLARENCE J. MEYER-TUPELO	2131	2,000	200	2,200
FR. GREGORY BEZY-SOUTHAVEN	2195	2,670	200	2,870
BISHOP JOSEPH B. BRUNINI-BRANDON	2289	5,366	200	5,566
SIR KNIGHT EUGENE T. HICKS-STARKVILLE/COLUMBUS	2764	100	340	440
POPE JOHN PAUL II - CORINTH	2913	0	100	100
FATHER CLIFFORD MEADOR -GRENADA	2916	0	100	100
TOTALS FOR ASSEMBLIES		89,775	4,290	94,065
AUXILIARIES				
MSGR JOHN J. BURNS-MERIDIAN	802	4,100	0	4,100
JOHN T. SAVAGE-JACKSON	848	0	25	25
VICKSBURG	898	60	0	60
BISHOP R. O. GEROW-NATCHEZ	1034	100	100	200
FR. KORSTENBROEK-GREENVILLE	2134	5,400	300	5,700
FR JOHN P. EGAN-STARKVILLE	6765	20	20	40
HERNANDO DESOTO-SOUTHAVEN	7120	825	0	825
HOLY SAVIOR-CLINTON	7854	910	300	1,210
ST. PAUL-BRANDON	10216	50	0	50
FR CLIFFORD MEADOR-GRENADA	10443	125	100	225
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI LADIES AUXILIARY		2,775	250	3,025
TOTALS FOR AUXILIARIES		14,245	1,095	15,340
TOTALS FOR INDIVIDUALS		3,183	71	3,254
TOTALS FOR CHRISTOPHER FUND		5,113	893	6,006
TOTALS FOR MISCELLANEOUS		6,712	0	6,712
TOTAL - CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JACKSON		677,847	39,055	716,902

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BILOXI
BISHOP R. O. GEROW MEMORIAL FUND**

	NBR	PRIOR YEARS TOTALS	2006 TOTALS	TOTALS SINCE INCEPTION
COUNCILS				
BILOXI	1244	42,026	811	42,837
PERE LEDUC- BAY ST LOUIS	1522	32,374	1,428	33,802
BISHOP GUNN-GULFPORT	1583	86,048	2,016	88,064
MSGR P.J. CAREY-PASCAGOULA	1605	140,058	19	140,077
BISHOP FAHEY-HATTIESBURG	1908	24,266	2,421	26,687
LAUREL	2180	39,745	4,185	43,930
MSGR LEECH-PASS CHRISTIAN	4472	9,046	2,258	11,304
ST VINCENT DEPAUL-LONG BEACH	4898	77,330	5,860	83,190
FRED L WESTBROOK SR.-OCEAN SPRINGS	5654	30,275	714	30,989
FR. MALACHY BURNS-BASSFIELD	6592	2,350	110	2,460
OSCAR J GELPI-PICAYUNE	6872	52,268	7,466	59,734
FR. A.C. DENNIS-KILN	7087	9,035	1,577	10,612
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP-LUMBERTON	7211	44,799	3,111	47,910
FR. HARRY WADE-ORANGE GROVE	7910	2,676	5	2,681
FR. PATRICK MCALPINE-D'IBERVILLE	9094	10,643	3,002	13,645
ST. MARY-GAUTIER	9124	8,308	1,039	9,347
REINHART SCHROEDER-WEST BILOXI	9409	17,840	2,174	20,014
JAMES D. HART-WOOLMARKET	9673	6,181	1,201	7,382
ST ANN-LIZANA	9958	4,925	145	5,070
MSGR GREGORY KENNEDY-OCEAN SPRINGS	10499	4,483	1,893	6,376
ST. JAMES-GULFPORT	11541	4,203	326	4,529
FR. PAUL GILLIS-WIGGINS	11654	2,979	250	3,229
ST LUCY-LUCEDALE	11904	723	176	899
FR. PATRICK QUINN-TYLERTOWN	11956	7,891	244	8,135
FR. R.J. SORIN-WEST HARRISON	11995	3,534	139	3,673
SACRED HEART-PASCAGOULA	12166	3,339	268	3,607
ST JOSEPH THE WORKER-SEABEE BASE	12271	28,078	2,667	30,745
SACRED HEART-DEDEAUX	12331	788	83	871
ST. JUDE - COLUMBIA	13936	0	1,238	1,238
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JACKSON		0	1,797	1,797
TOTALS FOR COUNCILS		696,211	48,623	744,834

ASSEMBLIES

BISHOP GUNN - GULFPORT	556	3,209	300	3,509
MSGR P.J. CAREY-PASCAGOULA	561	400	0	400
BISHOP FAHEY-HATTIESBURG	562	100	0	100
ARTHUR F. AXTON-LAUREL	563	2,000	0	2,000
MSGR. JOHN P. O'CONNOR - LONG BEACH	1719	3,700	0	3,700
FR FRANCIS DEIGNAN-OCEAN SPRINGS	2059	2,796	210	3,006
BISHOP ANDREW LEANE-PICAYUNE	2227	8,800	1,800	10,600
ST ANN/LIZANA-GULFPORT	2284	610	0	610
ORANGE GROVE	2347	250	0	250
TOTALS FOR ASSEMBLIES		21,865	2,310	24,175

AUXILIARIES

BILOXI	1244	900	0	900
PERE LEDUC- BAY ST LOUIS	1522	335	0	335
BISHOP GUNN-GULFPORT	1583	2,925	0	2,925
MSGR P.J. CAREY-PASCAGOULA	1605	2,050	0	2,050
MSGR LEECH-PASS CHRISTIAN	4472	775	0	775
ST VINCENT DEPAUL-LONG BEECH	4898	1,400	0	1,400
FRED L WESTBROOK SR.-OCEAN SPRINGS	5654	225	0	225
FR. HARRY WADE-ORANGE GROVE	7910	200	0	200
FR. PATRICK MCALPINE-D'IBERVILLE	9094	1,592	0	1,592
ST ANN-LIZANA	9958	900	0	900
FR. PATRICK QUINN-TYLERTOWN	11956	300	0	300
FR. R.J. SORIN-WEST HARRISON	11995	75	25	100
ST. JUDE - COLUMBIA	13936	0	400	400
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI LADIES AUXILIARY		2,800	250	3,050
TOTALS FOR AUXILIARIES		14,477	675	15152
TOTALS FOR INDIVIDUALS		4,223	671	4,894
TOTALS FOR CHRISTOPHER FUND		2,205	893	3,098
TOTALS FOR MISCELLANEOUS		6,607	0	6,607
TOTAL - CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BILOXI		745,588	53,172	798,760

GRAND TOTAL - STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BILOXI		798,760
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF JACKSON		716,902
STATE TOTALS		1,515,662

**State Secretary Report on Election
of State Officers**

Office	Nominated	Nominated by:	Seconded by:
State Deputy	Barry Tabor	Harvey Caldwell	Roger Fетters
State Secretary	Danny Lechner	Elvis gates	Joe Garrity
State Treasurer	Peter Sukanek	Jacob Eftink	Carl Brochard
State Advocate	Gerald Schmuck	Roger Hudson	Mike Murphy
State Warden	David Scott	John Bennett	Rhett Maynard

All State Officers were elected by acclamation

**State Secretary Report on Election
of delegates to the Supreme Convention**

Insurance Delegate (1)

Nominated	Nominated by:	Votes
Danny Lechner	Don Ulrey	62*
Peter Sukanek	Jacob Eftink	30
John Leonhard	Richard P. Zdziemborski	20

Associate Delegates (2)

Nominated	Nominated by	Votes
Gerald Schmuck	Roger Hudson	75 *
Peter Sukanek	Jacob Eftink	66 *
John Bennett	Tom Zettler	50 (3)
John Leonhard	Richard P. Zdziemborski	33 (4)

3rd and 4th place become alternates

Insurance Alternates (3)

Nominated	Nominated by:	Votes
Bill Waggoner	Mike Meehan	19 (3)
David Scott	Wayne Ebelhar	55 (1) *
Pickens Noble	John Bennett	38 (2)

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Lechner, State Secretary

New Business

David Scott, State Warden, read the following motion on behalf of Father Mike O' Conner:
"Our State Chaplain, Fr. Mike O'Conner has called for the Knights to be prepared to aid and assist each

other and all of God's people in times of need and emergencies. Several councils have already taken that first step by acquiring trailers, cooking equipment, and other emergency supplies."

In response to Fr. Mike's call, I move that the State Council establish the "Mississippi Knights' of Columbus Charities, Inc." as a means to collect, organize, prioritize, and distribute funds that are donated in times of need or emergencies.

Council 1522 seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and approved.

State Deputy Larry Tabor presented a proposal from the Supreme Council offering liability insurance for councils. Due to the facts that some councils already had coverage, that the proposal would require all councils to participate, and the lack of complete information, a motion was made to table until next years convention. The motion was seconded and approved.

The convention bid was awarded last year to the Kiln council for 2009 and Jackson for 2010. Due to devastation caused by hurricane Katrina in that area, Kiln will not be ready for the 2009 convention. The Convention committee suggested a possible swap with Jackson. Also, Biloxi was previously awarded the 2006 convention and Tupelo the 2008 convention. But, due also to the hurricane, Biloxi was unable to host the 2006 convention and Tupelo graciously agreed to host the 2006 convention. It was mutually agreed that Biloxi will host the 2008 convention for Tupelo. The representatives from Jackson said that they were willing to trade with Kiln. There were no objections from the delegates, who unanimously approved the trade. The 2008 convention will be held in Biloxi, 2009 convention in Jackson and the 2010 convention in Bay St. Louis.

The next new business was to choose a convention site for the 2011 State convention.

A lengthy discussion followed and it was decided that the convention sites were already confirmed for the next four years and that going out another year would be too far out.

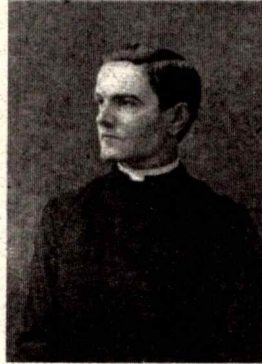
Immediate Past State Deputy Richard Lieding made a motion to table until next year's convention. The motion was seconded and approved.

Unfinished Business - None

Being no further business to be discussed, the "Good of the Order" was called for by State Deputy, Larry Tabor, followed by the closing prayer, The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

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