

A faint map of Mississippi counties is visible in the background. The top portion shows counties including Desoto, Benton, Alcorn, Tishomingo, Prentiss, Tippah, Marshall, Tate, and Tunica. The middle portion shows Yalobusha, Webster, Clay, Leflore, Carroll, Montgomery, Choctaw, Oktibbeha, and Lowndes. The bottom portion shows Yazoo, Madison, Leake, Neshoba, Kemper, Jackson, and Wilkes.

Jim McCraw
State Deputy

Mississippi State Council

2016 Convention Minute Book



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Section 1

Agenda

Convention Committee Assignments

Convention Minutes

Reports from Committees

- Audit
- Credentials
- Mileage & Per Diem
- Youth
- Family
- Vocations



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Thursday, 21 April 2016

7:00 – 10:00 p.m. State Officers Social – Sponsored by Convention Committee and State Council –
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Friday, 22 April 2016

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Cause of Father Michael J. McGivney– State Chaplain, Msgr. Elvin
Sunds, **St. Mary's Basilica**
9:30 – 10:30 a.m. State Officers Meeting – **Board Room, Convention Center**
1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Convention Registration – Pre-Function, **Convention Center**
1:00 – 5:30 p.m. Delegate Registration – **Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**
2:30 – 3:30 p.m. District Deputies Meeting – **Memphis Room, Convention Center**
4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Mississippi District, Fourth Degree Meeting – **St. Francisville Room,**
Convention Center (4th Degree Members ONLY)

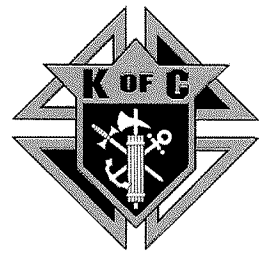
NOTE: Upon arrival, banners and stands are to be placed in the Mississippi Suite, Convention
Center.

5:30 – 6:15 p.m. **FIRST BUSINESS SESSION – Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**
(3rd Degree Members ONLY)
1. Travel Cards Checked – State Warden, **Michael Kassouf and DD's**
2. Assignment of Chairs to the Delegates – State Warden, **Michael Kassouf**
3. Opening of First Business Session - State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
4. Opening Prayer - State Chaplain, **Msgr. Elvin Sunds**
5. Pledge of Allegiance – Fourth Degree Master, **William O'Connor**
6. Opening Ode
7. Entertain Motion to Waive Reading of 2015 Convention Minutes
8. Submission of Reports Not Previously Received - State Secretary, **Noel**
Aucoin(District Deputies, Grand Knights, State Program Directors)
9. Distribution of Resolutions – State Advocate, **Ben Mokry**
10. Committee Assignments – State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
11. Announcements
12. Closing Prayer –State Chaplain, **Msgr. Elvin Sunds**
13. Closing Ode



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FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SOCIAL

- 6:15 p.m. Cash Bar Opens – **Front Lobby, Convention Center**
6:45 p.m. Friday Night Dinner Social- Honoring Bishop William R. Houck – **Nashville Room**

Convention Center

- 7:15 p.m. **Doors Open**
1. Seating of Head Table
 2. National Anthem –
 3. Pledge of Allegiance – Fourth Degree Master, **William O'Connor**
 4. Welcome – Mayor **Butch Brown** and Board of Supervisors President Mike Lazarus
 5. Response – State Secretary, **Noel Aucoin**
 6. Prayer – **Bishop Roger Morin**
 7. Meal Served
 8. Introduction of Visiting Priests and Seminarians – State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
 9. Awards Presentation:
 - a. Membership Awards - State Membership Director, **Michael Kassouf**
 - 1) Top Gun Awards
 - 2) Top Mississippi Star Recruiters
 - 3) Mississippi Star Recruiter Council
 - b. Council Program Awards – State Program Director, **Guy Heying**
 - 1) Honor Council Awards
 - 2) Superior Service Awards
 - 3) Council of Excellence Awards
 - 4) Distinguished Council Awards
 - 5) Stellar Council Awards
 - c. Special Presentation – State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
 10. Closing Remarks/Announcements
- 9:00 – p.m. Hospitality Rooms Open/After Banquet Entertainment

Saturday, 23 April 2016

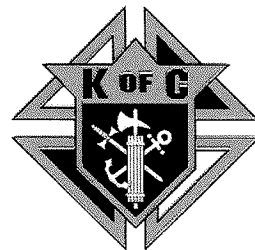
- 8:00 – a.m. Memorial Mass w/Necrology of Deceased Members and Wives – **St. Mary's Basilica**
- Concelebrated Mass with Bishop Kopacz as Principal Celebrant
 - Necrology by State Secretary, Noel Aucoin
- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Breakfast/Coffee – **On your Own**
- 9:00 – 12:00 a.m. Convention Registration – **Entrance Lobby, Convention Center**
- 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Delegate Registration – **Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**

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10:00 – 11:45a.m. CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1. Church Activities – Ted Lander, **St. Francisville Room**
2. Community Activities – Bryan Cassagne, **Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**
3. Council Activities – Elvis Gates, **St. Francisville Room**
4. Family Life Activities – Bob Leo, **St. Louis Room, Convention Center**
5. Youth Activities – Charles Hahn, **Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**
6. Pro-Life Activities – Dennis Riecke, **Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**
7. Vocation Activities – Joseph Goellner, **Baton Rouge Room**
8. Public Relations – Dr. Peter Sukanek, PSD, **New Orleans Room**
9. Credentials Committee (10:00-10:30) – State Secretary, Noel Aucoin, **Board Room**
10. Convention Committee (10:30-11:45) – Darren Cowart/Richard Greenwold, **Board Room**
11. Mileage and Per Diem (10:00-11:00) – State Treasurer, Philip Jabour, **Memphis Room**
12. K of C Audit (11:00-11:45)– Danny Lechner, PSD, **Memphis Room**
13. Resolutions Committee – State Advocate – Ben Mokry, **Greenville Room**
14. Ceremonials – Jerry Schmuck, PSD, **Concordia Room**
15. Disaster Relief – Brent Woodfill, **Vicksburg Room**

10:00 – 12:00p.m. State Ladies Auxiliary Business Meeting – **O'Connor Family Life Center**

12:00 – 1:00p.m. Past State Deputies Luncheon – **Meeting Room B, Natchez Grand**

12:00 – 1:00p.m. District Deputies and Former District Deputies Luncheon – **Meeting Room C, Natchez Grand**

12:00 – 1:00p.m. Ladies Luncheon – **O'Connor Family Life Center**

12:00 – 1:00p.m. Lunch – **On your Own**

1:00 – 2:45 p.m. **SECOND BUSINESS SESSION – Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**
(3rd Degree Members ONLY)

1. Travel Cards Checked by State Warden, **Michael Kassouf and DDs**
2. Opening of Second Business Session - State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
3. Opening Prayer - State Chaplain, **Msgr. Elvin Sands**
4. Pledge of Allegiance - Fourth Degree Master, **William O'Connor**
5. Opening Ode
6. Address to the Delegates –
Bishop of Jackson Diocese, **Most Reverend Joseph Kopacz**
7. Address to the Delegates –
Bishop of Biloxi Diocese, **Most Reverend Roger Morin**
8. State Chaplain's Report – **Msgr. Elvin Sands**, State Chaplain

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9. State Deputy's Report – **Jim McCraw**
10. State Secretary's Report – **Noel Aucoin**
11. State Treasurer's Report – **Philip Jabour**
12. State Advocate's Report – **Ben Mokry**
13. State Warden's Report – **Michael Kassouf**
14. Immediate Past State Deputy's Report – **David Scott**
15. District Master's Report – **William O'Connor**
16. General Agent's Report – **John Stice**
17. Supreme Representative's Report – **Michael L. Wills, Supreme Director**
18. Open Discussion: Building the Domestic Church – Strengthening the Parish
19. Announcements
20. Closing Prayer – State Chaplain, **Msgr. Elvin Sunds**
21. Closing Ode

3:00 – 4:30p.m. TRAINING SESSIONS

1. Leadership Training– Philip Jabour/David Scott, IPSD, **New Orleans Room**
2. Using Technology (Social Media)– Ben Mokry, **Memphis Room**
3. Ceremonials – Peter Sukanek, PSD/Jerry Schmuck, PSD, **St. Francisville Room**
4. Membership/Retention – Mike Kassouf, **Baton Rouge Room**

SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET

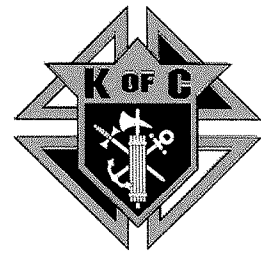
- 6:00 – p.m. Cash Bar Open - **Front Lobby, Convention Center**
- 6:00 – p.m. Dignitaries Assemble for Procession – **St. Louis Room**
- 6:00 – p.m. Color Guard Assembles – **Memphis Room**
- 6:30 – p.m. Doors to Banquet room opened – **Nashville Room, Convention Center**
1. Procession of the Dignitaries
 2. Procession of Council Banners - **William O'Connor**
 3. Presentation of Colors – Fourth Degree Color Corp
 4. National Anthem –
 5. Pledge of Allegiance - Fourth Degree Master, **William O'Connor**
 6. Prayer – **Bishop Joseph Kopacz**
 7. Meal Served
 8. Welcome from Supreme Knight
 9. Keynote Address, Supreme Director, **Michael L. Wills**
 10. Awards Presentation: (**Only 1st Place** awards will be presented)
 - a. State Ladies Auxiliary Awards –
Ladies Auxiliary President, **Marcia Flagg**
 - b. Special Presentation – State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
 - c. Program Awards – State Program Director – **Guy Heying**

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SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET (Continued)

- 1) Best Church Activity Award
- 2) Best Community Activity Award
- 3) Best Council Activity Award
- 4) Best Family Activity Award
- 5) Best Youth Activity Award
- 6) Best Pro-Life Activity Award
- 7) Best Vocations Project Award
- d. Pro-Life Memorial Fund Awards – **Dennis Riecke**
- e. Bishop R. O. Gerow Priest Education Awards – **Don Cox**
- f. Best Council Awards – State Program Director, **Guy Heying**
- g. Fourth Degree Awards – Fourth Degree Master, **William O'Connor**
- h. Past State Deputies, Best District Deputy Award –
Daniel Lechner, PSD
- i. MS State Council, Knight of the Year Award –
State Program Director, **Guy Heying**
- j. MS State Council, Family of the Year Award –
State Program Director, **Guy Heying**

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8:00 – a.m. Concelebrated Convention Mass with Bishop Morin as Principal Celebrant
Consecration to the Holy Family – **St. Mary's Basilica**

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Credentials Committee – State Secretary, Noel Aucoin, **Board Room**

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. **OPEN AWARDS SESSION– Mississippi Suite, Convention Center**
(3rd Degree Members ONLY)

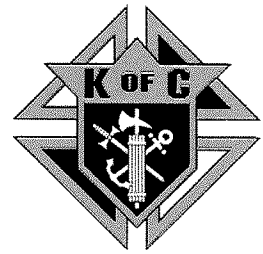
1. Opening of the Awards Session – State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
2. Pledge of Allegiance – State Master, **William O'Connor**
3. State Ladies Auxiliary Officer Installation
4. Awards
 - a. Keep Christ in Christmas Awards –
State Chairman, **Nat Zummo**
 - b. Poster and Essay Contest –
State Membership Director, **Mike Kassouf**
 - c. Family of the Month Awards –
State Family Director, **Bob Leo**
 - d. Best Newsletter Awards –
State Public Relations Director, **Dr. Peter Sukanek, PSD**

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- e. Best Scrapbook Awards –
State Public Relations Director, **Dr. Peter Sukanek, PSD**
- f. State “Persons with Intellectual Disabilities” Program Awards – State
Chairman, **Rickey Warren**

11:00 – am. **THIRD BUSINESS SESSION –Mississippi Suite, Convention Center
(3rd Degree Members ONLY)**

- 1. Travel Cards Checked by State Warden, **Michael Kassouf and DDs**
- 2. Opening of Third Business Session - State Deputy, **Jim McCraw**
- 3. Opening Prayer –State Chaplain, **Msgr. Elvin Sunds**
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance - Fourth Degree Master, **William O’Connor**
- 5. Closing Remarks
 - a. Bishop Roger Morin
 - b. Bishop Joseph Kopacz
 - c. Supreme Director Michael L. Wills
- 4. Presentation of Resolutions – State Advocate, **Ben Mokry**
- 5. Credentials Report – State Secretary, **Noel Aucoin**
- 6. Position Election Tellers
- 7. Election of State Officers
 - a. State Deputy
 - b. State Secretary
 - c. State Treasurer
 - d. State Advocate
 - e. State Warden
- 8. Election of Delegates and Alternates to the Annual Supreme Convention,
Toronto, Canada
 - a. Insurance Delegate (1 Insurance Member)
 - b. Insurance Delegate Alternates (3 Insurance Members)
 - c. Associate Delegates (2 Members)
 - d. Associate Delegate Alternates (2 Members)
- 9. Sites for State Convention
 - a. 2017 – Tupelo
 - b. 2018 – Gulf Coast Councils
 - c. 2019 –To Be Determined
- 10. Dismiss Election Tellers
- 11. Unfinished Business
- 12. New Business
- 13. Closing Remarks
- 14. Closing Prayer - State Chaplain, **Msgr. Elvin Sunds**
- 15. Adjournment

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Convention Committees

The committees listed below are appointed to assist in the work of the convention. With the exceptions of the *Election Tellers*, all other committees will meet between 10:00 a.m. and 11:45 a.m., at the locations listed, on Saturday, 23 April 2016. The *Mileage & Per Diem* and *Audit* committees and the *Credentials* and *Convention* committees will split this time period in their respective rooms. Meeting start times are listed below. Each committee chairman (listed in **bold**), except the Election Tellers, will make a written and, if called upon, an oral report to the convention. 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. CHURCH ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Ted Lander, State Church Director

St. Francisville Room
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

William Heath	DD #13
David Viger	# 802
Ron Brumfield	# 1034
Blake Ferretti	# 5556
Indianola	# 9234
William Addie	# 8285
Anthony Carprnter	# 10216
Mathew Zerangue	# 10901
Lucedale	# 11904
Kelvin Schulz	# 11995

2. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Dr. Peter Sukanek, PSD

New Orleans Room
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Mark Fonteno	DD #11
Vicksburg	# 898
Leland	# 2945
Joe Radicioni	# 2969
Holly Springs	# 8760
Hollis Moran	# 9958
Andrew Reynolds	# 10901
Larry Necaise	# 12331
Doug Prosen	# 13471
Mark Hopkins	# 15155



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3. COUNCIL ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Elvis Gates, State Council Director

St. Francisville Room
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Raul Gamez	DD #10
Patrick Veltman	# 4472
Greenwood	# 5267
Nicholas Martino	# 9094
William Garth	# 8912
Thomas Moran	# 9958
Harvey Caldwell	# 10443
Frank Holifield	# 15382
Paul Pitts	# 16433

5. COMMUNITY ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Bryan Cassagne, State Community Director

Mississippi Suite
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Noel Machost	# 848
Vicksburg	# 898
Ben DiLorenzo	# 4898
Dan Pasquini	# 5654
Richard Hoda	# 7087
Joe McQueen	# 7211
Karryn DeVerteuil	# 8285
Indianola	# 9234
Byron Tullos	# 13471
Jeff Bell	# 14051

6. YOUTH ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Charles Hahn, State Youth Director

Mississippi Suite
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Charlie Sims	# 848
Greg Eleuterius	# 1244
Guy Mandolini	# 2134
Brady Pate	# 5556
Gobert Ganz	# 8038
Aaron Achord	# 7915
Bob Pyle	# 11541
Lucedale	# 11904
Poplarville	# 15121
Gary Owchar	# 15131



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7. PRO-LIFE ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Dennis Riecke, State Pro-Life Director

Mississippi Suite
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Charles Heim	DD #9
Keith Knight	# 2180
Eugene Hymel	# 2969
Marvin Ladner, Jr.	# 7211
McComb	# 8054
Jessie Johnson	# 9124
Edwin Marsalis	# 9543
Jason Saucier	# 9673
Robert Theriot	# 11654
Pascagoula SH	# 12166
Columbia	# 13936

8. FAMILY LIFE ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Robert Leo, State Family Director

St. Louis Room
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Sherwood Beckham, Jr	DD #8
Leland	# 2945
Gary Cuevas	# 7087
Craig Harrell	# 7854
Columbus	# 7974
David Livingston	# 10443
William C. Haire	# 13502
John Chiumento	# 14051
Poplarville	# 15121
O. D. Landrum	# 15382

9. VOCATIONS ACTIVITY COMMITTEE
Joseph Goellner, Sr.
State Vocations Chairman

Baton Rouge Room
Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Luis Ybarra	DD #7
Daniel Roberts	# 1034
Gilbert Tosso	# 1522
James Saunders	# 6872
Daniel Nelson	# 8038
Orange Grove	# 7910
Joseph Furlan	# 9124
Stephen Smith	# 9409
John Meadows	# 10499
Preston Williams	# 11934
Pascagoula SH	# 12166
James M. Haire	# 13502



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10. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Noel Aucoin, State Secretary

Richard Greenwold

Dennis Antici	DD #6
Patrick J. Carter	# 802
Paul Arguellas	# 1244
Ted Heintz	# 1908
Richard Coughlin	# 6765
Orange Grove	# 7910
Larry Gann	# 8912
Joseph Jones	# 11934
Roger Hudson, Jr.	# 12271

Board Room

Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

11. STATE CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Darren Cowart, 2015 Chairman /
Richard Greenwold, State Convention
Coordinator

Mark Dye	DD#1
William Jarrett	# 1908
Kenneth Valentine	# 8848
Jeffery Riopelle	# 9094
Jim Rigby	# 9409
David Fisher	# 15131

Board Room

Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:30 a.m.

12. MILEAGE AND PER DIEM COMMITTEE

Philip Jabour, State Treasurer

Daniel Setaro	DD #8
Greenwood	# 5267
Thomas Haupt	# 6765
Tom Cusker	# 7120
Columbus	# 7974
Holly Springs	# 8760
Steve Sevier	# 8848
William Haas	# 11654
Tylertown	# 11956
Brent WoodFill	# 16433

Memphis Room

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13. AUDIT COMMITTEE

Daniel Lechner, PSD

Memphis Room

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Philip Jabour, State Treasurer

Bernard Brown	DD #3
Dr. Wayne Ebelhar	# 2134
Chris Halliwell	# 7211
James Bonner	# 7915
McComb	# 8054
Michael Robinson	# 9543
Chris Nix	# 10216
Gary Vaughn	# 10499

14. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Ben Mokry, State Advocate

Greenville Room

Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

G. David Atteberry	PSD
Thomas Zettler	PSD
Larry Tabor	PSD
David Scott	IPSD

15. CEREMONIALS COMMITTEE

Jerry Schmuck, PSD

Concordia Room

Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Denny Fink	DD #2
Michael Kersanac	# 1522
James Smith	# 1583
Bill Gatzman	# 2180
J. Leonard Tarrant	# 5654
Charlie Harrington	# 6592
Walter Miller	# 9673
Tylertown	# 11956
Leonard Nahlen	# 12271
David Fisher	# 15131



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16. DISASTER RELIEF COMMITTEE

Brent Woodfill

Vicksburg Room

Saturday, 23 April 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Mark Fonteno	DD #11
John Windham	# 1583
Steve Frederic, Sr.	# 1605
Clark Brennan	# 4472
Jim Delinski	# 4898
Ted Applewhite	# 6592
Donald Schiffner	# 11541
Richard Hazen	# 11995
Columbia	# 13936
Scott Johnson	# 15155

17. ELECTION TELLERS

Mississippi Suite

Sunday, 24 April 2016

Audit Committee Report

April 23, 2016

The audit committee met with State Treasurer, Philip Jabour, at 11:00 am, in the Memphis Room of the Natchez Convention Center.

The independent accountant's report for the year ending June 30, 2015 was received and accepted.

The State Council financial records for the period of July 1, 2015 through April 1, 2016 were also reviewed. There were no discrepancies noted. The income and expense items on the balance sheet were satisfactorily covered line by line with the State Treasurer.

It is the opinion of the audit committee that the financial records of the State council are in a healthy state.

Respectfully submitted,

Danny Lechner, PSD, Chairman

Members:

Myron Bartholomew	Council 7915
Wayne Ebelhar	Council 2134
Tunney Vandevander	Council 9543
Leonard Tarrant	Council 5654
Harry Rucker	Council 10499
Craig Harrell	Council 7854
Anthony Carpenter	Council 10216



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REPORT OF THE 2016 CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

State Chaplain	
State Deputy	Jim McCraw
State Secretary	Noel Aucoin
State Treasurer	Philip Jabour
State Advocate	Ben Mokry
State Warden	Mike Kassouf
Immediate Past State Deputy	David Scott

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2016 STATE CONVENTION COUNCIL DELEGATES

NO.	COUNCIL NO.	COUNCIL NAME	DELEGATE 1	NO.	DELEGATE NO. 2
2	802	Meridian	1 Patrick J. Carter	1	Robert J Leo
1	848	Jackson	0 No Delegate	1	Charlie Sims
2	898	Vicksburg	1 Jerry Roberts	1	Van Stewart
2	1034	Natchez	1 John Curran	1	Dan Miller
2	1244	Biloxi	1 Paul Arguelles	1	Robert Fell
2	1522	Bay St. Louis	1 Paul Pitts	1	Jay Gamble
2	1583	Gulfport	1 Charlie Underwood	1	John Windham
0	1605	Pascagoula	0 No Delegate	0	No Delegate
2	1908	Hattiesburg	1 William L. Jarrett	1	Ted Heintz
2	2134	Greenville	1 Dr. Wayne Ebelhar	1	Richard T. Clark
2	2180	Laurel	1 Ronnie Morales	1	Bill Gatzman
0	2945	Leland	0 No Delegate	0	No Delegate
0	2969	Clarksdale	0 No Delegate	0	No Delegate
2	4472	Pass Christian	1 Clark Brennan	1	Raul Gamez
2	4898	Long Beach	1 Jim Delinski	1	Ben DiLorenzo
0	5267	Greenwood	0 No Delegate	0	No Delegate
2	5556	Cleveland	1 Brady Pate	1	Blake Ferretti
2	5654	Ocean Springs	1 Carney Murphy	1	James Leonard Tarrant
2	6592	Bassfield	1 Ted Applewhite	1	Charlie Harrington
2	6765	Starkville	1 Tomasz Haupt	1	Gary Gist
2	6872	Picayune	1 Bryan Cassagne	1	James Saunders
2	7087	Kiln	1 Gary Cuevas	1	Richard Hoda
35	SUB-TOTAL		17	18	

NO.	COUNCIL NO.	COUNCIL NAME	DELEGATE NO. 1	DELEGATE NO. 2
2	7120	Southaven	1 Dennis Fink	1 Fred Ward
2	7211	Lumberton	1 Stradford Goins, Jr.	1 Marvin W. Ladner, Jr.
2	7854	Clinton	1 Craig Harrell	1 Joseph Johnson
2	7910	Orange Grove	1 Hugh Frazier	1 Leonard Plitt
2	7915	Brookhaven	1 James Bonner	1 Myron Bartholomew
2	7974	Columbus	1 James Carl Garton	1 Carmine Muscarella
2	8038	Pearl	1 Matthew Polk	1 Natale Zummo
2	8054	McComb	1 James O'Rourke	1 Doug McCartney
2	8285	Jackson, St. Therese	1 Doug Simmons	1 Bill Addie
2	8760	Holly Springs	1 Claude L. Vinson, Sr.	1 Eddie D. Dixon
2	8848	Tupelo	1 Mark Dye	1 Kenneth Valentine
0	8912	Corinth	0 No Delegate	0 No Delegate
2	9094	D'Iberville	1 Jeffery Riopelle	1 Nicholas Martino
2	9124	Gautier	1 Charles Anderson	1 Joseph Furlan
0	9234	Indianola	0 No Delegate	0 No Delegate
2	9409	West Biloxi	1 Daniel J. Lechner	1 Jim Rigby
2	9543	Madison	1 D. Tunney Vandevender	1 Ken Prybila
2	9673	Woolmarket	1 Walter D. Miller	1 Jason Saucier
2	9958	Lizana	1 Thomas C. Moran	1 Hollis J. Moran
2	10216	Flowood	1 Anthony Carpenter	1 Kevin O'donnell
2	10443	Grenada	1 David Livingston	1 Buddy Honeycutt
2	10499	Ocean Springs	1 Harry Rucker	1 Joseph Goellner, Sr.
2	10901	Oxford	1 Burke Nichols	1 Eugene Buglewicz
1	11541	St. James, Gulfport	1 Don Schiffner	0 No Delegate
2	11654	Wiggins	1 Thomas Easter	1 William Haas
2	11904	Lucedale	1 David Nance	1 Gary Nance
2	11934	Gluckstadt	1 Chris Sigler	1 Joseph Jones
0	11956	Tylertown	0 No Delegate	0 No Delegate
2	11995	West Harrison	1 Paul Minnaert	1 Rich Hazen
0	12166	Pascagoula-SH	0 No Delegate	0 No Delegate
2	12271	Gulfport-NCBC	1 Gerald Schmuck	1 Leonard Nahlen
2	12331	Dedeaux	1 Tom Ward	1 Charles Riels
2	13471	Philadelphia/Tucker	1 Larry Kovach	1 Ron DiPalma
2	13502	Batesville/Sardis	1 Jerom Troxler	1 Darell Cook
0	13936	Columbia (Suspended)	0 No Delegate	0 No Delegate
1	14051	Olive Branch	1 Jeff Bell	0 No Delegate
0	15121	Poplarville	0 No Delegate	0 No Delegate
2	15131	Jackson, St. Richard's	1 David Fisher	1 Greg Patin
2	15155	Vancleave	1 Scott Johnson	1 Jarrod Fetters
2	15382	Hattisburg	1 OD Landrum	1 Joe Niezgoda

66 SUB-TOTAL

23 - TOTAL MISSING DELEGATES

23 - NO DELEGATE

101 TOTAL DELEGATES SEATED

124 - TOTAL DELEGATES IN STATE

6 TOTAL STATE OFFICERS

7 - TOTAL STATE OFFICERS

107 TOTAL VOTING MEMBERS

131 - TOTAL POSSIBLE VOTING MEMBERS

DISTRICT DEPUTIES

District	1	D Christopher Mark Dye
District	2	Joe Suhanin
District	3	Bernard Brown
District	4	Daniel Setaro
District	5	Charles Hahn
District	6	Dennis Antici
District	7	Luis Ybarra
District	8	Sherwood Beckham
District	9	Charles Heim
District	10	D Raul Gamez
District	11	Mark Fonteno
District	12	
District	13	

DIRECTORS

D -- DELEGATE

Michael Kassouf
Guy Heying
Ted Lander
D Robert Leo
Carl Brochard
D Joe Jones
Dennis Ricke
Richard E. Greenwold
Don Cox
Quincy St. Pierre
William Heath

D -- DELEGATE

PAST STATE DEPUTIES

G. David Atteberry	Daniel Lechner	D
Robert Fratesi	Dr. Peter Sukanek	
Thomas Zettler	Jerry Schmuck	D

State Auxiliary Chaplain: Father Bob Higginbotham

HONORARY STATE CHAPLAINS

Bishop Joseph Kopacz
Bishop Roger Morin

Respectfully Submitted,

Noel Aucoin
State Secretary

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Report of the Mileage and Per Diem Committee

The committee met on the morning of April 23, 2016 and reviewed the mileage and per diem figures for this year's convention as per the resolution at the State Convention held in Biloxi in April 2015. Mileage is reimbursed at \$0.30 per mile one way plus two day's per diem for all State Officers, Delegates and Committee Chairmen. Past State Deputies and Honorary State Chaplains are reimbursed at the rate of \$75.00 per day per diem for two days.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Jabour,	Chairman
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Daniel Setaro	DD #5
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Thomas Haupt	6765
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Tom Cusker	7120
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Eddie Dixon	8760
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Steve Sevier	8848
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William Haas	11654
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Brent Woodfield	16433
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Details of the payments are on the following pages:

2016 Convention Mileage and Per Diem								
Check Ledger								
Check #	Name	Position	Council	City	Miles To Jackson	At \$.30 Per Mile	2 Days Per Diem	Total
	State Officers							
	David Scott	IPSD		Madison	129	\$38.70	\$150.00	\$188.70
	Mike Kassouf	St Ward		Starkville	244	\$73.20	\$150.00	\$223.20
	Ben Mokry	St Adv		Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	Philip Jabour	St Treas		Brandon	126	\$37.80	\$150.00	\$187.80
	Noel Aucoin	St Sec		D'Iberville	221	\$66.30	\$150.00	\$216.30
	Jim McCraw	State Deputy		Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	Msgr Elvin Sunds	State Chaplain		Jackson				\$0.00
	Past State Deputies							
	Daniel J. Lechner	PSD					\$150.00	\$150.00
	G. David Atterberry	PSD					\$150.00	\$150.00
	Larry Tabor	PSD					\$150.00	\$150.00
	Peter Sukanek	PSD					\$150.00	\$150.00
	Tom Zettler	PSD					\$150.00	\$150.00
	District Deputies							
	Mark Dye	DD 01		Tupelo	330	\$99.00	\$150.00	\$249.00
	Denny Fink	DD 02		Olive Branch	319	\$95.70	\$150.00	\$245.70
	Bernie Brown	DD 03		Greenville	164	\$49.20	\$151.00	\$200.20
	Danny Setaro	DD 04		Starkville	244	\$73.20	\$152.00	\$225.20
	Charles Hahn	DD 05		Vicksburg	72	\$21.60	\$153.00	\$174.60
	Dennis Antici	DD 06		Brandon	126	\$37.80	\$154.00	\$191.80
	Sherwood Beckham	DD 08		Wiggins	177	\$53.10	\$155.00	\$208.10
	Chuck Heim	DD 09		Dedeaux	201	\$60.30	\$156.00	\$216.30
	Raul (Roy) Gamez	DD 10		Pass Christian	201	\$60.30	\$157.00	\$217.30
	Mark Fontenot	DD 11		D'Iberville	221	\$66.30	\$150.00	\$216.30
	Joe Goellner	DD 12		Ocean Springs	228	\$68.40	\$151.00	D
	Luis Ybara	DD 7		Brookhaven	63	\$18.90	\$150.00	\$168.90
	State Chairmen							
	Guy Heying	Prog. Dir		Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	Dennis Riecke	Pro-Life		Madison	129	\$38.70	\$150.00	\$188.70
	Robert Leo	St Fam		Meridian	204	\$61.20	\$150.00	\$211.20
		St Squires		Hattiesburg	143	\$42.90	\$150.00	
	Don Cox	St Gerow Fund		Biloxi	225	\$67.50	\$150.00	\$217.50
	Richard Greenwold	Asst. to Sec		Ocean Springs	175	\$52.50	\$150.00	\$202.50
	Delegates							
	David Viger	Del 1	802	Meridian	204	\$61.20	\$150.00	\$211.20
	Patrick j Carter	Del 2	802	Meridian	204	\$61.20	\$150.00	\$211.20
	Noel Machost	Del 1	848	Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	Charles Sims	Del 2	848	Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	John Piazza	Del 1	898	Vicksburg	72	\$21.60	\$150.00	\$171.60
	Van Stewart, Sr.	Del 2	898	Vicksburg	72	\$21.60	\$150.00	\$171.60
	Daniel Miller	Del 1	1034	Natchez	0	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Ron Brumfield	Del 2	1034	Natchez	0	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Greg Eleuterius	Del 1	1244	Biloxi	225	\$67.50	\$150.00	\$217.50
	Paul Arguelles	Del 2	1244	Biloxi	225	\$67.50	\$150.00	\$217.50
	Deacon Eddie Renz	Del 1	1522	Bay St. Louis	192	\$57.60	\$150.00	\$207.60
	Michael Kersanac	Del 2	1522	Bay St. Louis	192	\$57.60	\$150.00	\$207.60
	James Smith	Del 1	1583	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
	John Windham	Del 2	1583	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
		Del 1	1605	Pascagoula	245	\$73.50	\$150.00	

2016 Convention Mileage and Per Diem

Check Ledger

Check #	Name	Position	Council	City	Miles To Jackson	At \$.30 Per Mile	2 Days Per Diem	Total
		Del 2	1605	Pascagoula	245	\$73.50	\$150.00	
	Ted Heintz	Del 1	1908	Hattiesburg	143	\$42.90	\$150.00	\$192.90
	Bill Jarrett	Del 2	1908	Hattiesburg	143	\$42.90	\$150.00	\$192.90
	Wayne Ebelhar	Del 1	2134	Greenville	164	\$49.20	\$150.00	\$199.20
	Guy Mandolini	Del 2	2134	Greenville	164	\$49.20	\$150.00	\$199.20
	Bill Gatzman	Del 1	2180	Laurel	144	\$43.20	\$150.00	\$193.20
		Del 2	2180	Laurel	144	\$43.20	\$150.00	
	Gerald Antici	Del 1	2969	Clarksdale	216	\$64.80	\$150.00	\$214.80
	Eugene Hymel	Del 2	2969	Clarksdale	216	\$64.80	\$151.00	\$215.80
	Clark Brennan	Del 1	4472	Pass Christian	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	\$210.30
	Patrick Veltman	Del 2	4472	Pass Christian	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	\$210.30
		Del 1	4898	Long Beach	209	\$62.70	\$150.00	
	Ben D Lorenzo	Del 2	4898	Long Beach	209	\$62.70	\$150.00	\$212.70
		Del 1	5267	Greenwood	172	\$51.60	\$150.00	
		Del 2	5267	Greenwood	172	\$51.60	\$150.00	
	Brady Pate	Del 1	5556	Cleveland	180	\$54.00	\$150.00	\$204.00
	Blake Ferretti	Del 2	5556	Cleveland	180	\$54.00	\$150.00	\$204.00
	Carl Brochard	Del 1	5654	Ocean Springs	228	\$68.40	\$150.00	\$218.40
	Dan Pasquini	Del 2	5654	Ocean Springs	228	\$68.40	\$150.00	\$218.40
	Charlie Harrington	Del 1	6592	Bassfield	106	\$31.80	\$150.00	\$181.80
	Ted Applewhite	Del 2	6592	Bassfield	106	\$31.80	\$150.00	\$181.80
	Richard Coughlin	Del 1	6765	Starkville	244	\$73.20	\$150.00	\$223.20
	Tomasz Haupt	Del 2	6765	Starkville	244	\$73.20	\$150.00	\$223.20
	Bryan Cassagne	Del 1	6872	Picayune	184	\$55.20	\$150.00	\$205.20
	James Saunders	Del 2	6872	Picayune	184	\$55.20	\$150.00	\$205.20
	John Gary Cuevas	Del 1	7087	Kiln	192	\$57.60	\$150.00	\$207.60
	Van Stewart, Sr.	Del 2	7087	Kiln	192	\$57.60	\$150.00	\$207.60
	Ted Lander	Del 1	7120	Southaven	311	\$93.30	\$150.00	\$243.30
	Tom Cusker	Del 2	7120	Southaven	311	\$93.30	\$150.00	\$243.30
	Marvin Ladner	Del 1	7211	Lumberton	168	\$50.40	\$150.00	\$200.40
	Joe McQueen	Del 2	7211	Lumberton	168	\$50.40	\$150.00	\$200.40
	Craig Harrell	Del 1	7854	Clinton	105	\$31.50	\$150.00	\$181.50
	Chris Halliwell	Del 2	7854	Clinton	105	\$31.50	\$150.00	\$181.50
	Dewayne Rooney	Del 1	7910	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
	Leonard Plitt	Del 2	7910	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
	James Bonner	Del 1	7915	Brookhaven	63	\$18.90	\$150.00	\$168.90
	Aaron Achord	Del 2	7915	Brookhaven	63	\$18.90	\$150.00	\$168.90
	James Carl Garton	Del 1	7974	Columbus	288	\$86.40	\$150.00	\$236.40
		Del 2	7974	Columbus	288	\$86.40	\$150.00	
	Robert Ganz	Del 1	8038	Pearl	118	\$35.40	\$150.00	\$185.40
	Daniel Nelson	Del 2	8038	Pearl	118	\$35.40	\$150.00	\$185.40
		Del 1	8054	McComb	68	\$20.40	\$150.00	
		Del 2	8054	McComb	68	\$20.40	\$150.00	
	William Addie	Del 1	8285	Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	Kerryn DeVerteul	Del 2	8285	Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	Claude L. Vinson, Sr.	Del 1	8760	Holly Springs	317	\$95.10	\$150.00	\$245.10
	Eddie D. Dixon	Del 2	8760	Holly Springs	317	\$95.10	\$150.00	\$245.10
	Steve Sevier	Del 1	8848	Tupelo	330	\$99.00	\$150.00	\$249.00
	Kenneth Valentine	Del 2	8848	Tupelo	330	\$99.00	\$150.00	\$249.00
	William Garth	Del 1	8912	Corinth	379	\$113.70	\$150.00	\$263.70
	Larry Gann	Del 2	8912	Corinth	379	\$113.70	\$150.00	\$263.70
	Jeff Riopelle	Del 1	9094	D'Iberville	221	\$66.30	\$150.00	\$216.30
	Nick Martino	Del 2	9094	D'Iberville	221	\$66.30	\$150.00	\$216.30

2016 Convention Mileage and Per Diem

Check Ledger

Check #	Name	Position	Council	City	Miles To Jackson	At \$.30 Per Mile	2 Days Per Diem	Total
	Joseph Furlan	Del 1	9124	Gautier	239	\$71.70	\$150.00	\$221.70
	Jessie Johnson	Del 2	9124	Gautier	239	\$71.70	\$150.00	\$221.70
	Richard Tell	Del 1	9409	Biloxi	225	\$67.50	\$150.00	\$217.50
	Jim Rigby	Del 2	9409	Biloxi	225	\$67.50	\$150.00	\$217.50
	Edwin Marsalis	Del 1	9543	Madison	129	\$38.70	\$150.00	\$188.70
	Michael Robinson	Del 2	9543	Madison	129	\$38.70	\$150.00	\$188.70
	Jason Saucier	Del 1	9673	Woolmarket	221	\$66.30	\$150.00	\$216.30
	Walt Miller	Del 2	9673	Woolmarket	221	\$66.30	\$150.00	\$216.30
	Thomas Moran	Del 1	9958	Lizana	213	\$63.90	\$150.00	\$213.90
	Hollis Moran	Del 2	9958	Lizana	213	\$63.90	\$150.00	\$213.90
	Anthony Carpenter	Del 1	10216	Brandon	126	\$37.80	\$150.00	\$187.80
	Chris Nix	Del 2	10216	Brandon	126	\$37.80	\$150.00	\$187.80
	Mike Liberto	Del 1	10443	Grenada	228	\$68.40	\$150.00	\$218.40
	David Livingston	Del 2	10443	Grenada	228	\$68.40	\$150.00	\$218.40
	Gary Vaughn	Del 1	10499	Ocean Springs	228	\$68.40	\$150.00	\$218.40
	Joe Goellner	Del 2	10499	Ocean Springs	228	\$68.40	\$150.00	\$218.40
	Andrew Reynolds	Del 1	10901	Oxford	287	\$86.10	\$150.00	\$236.10
	Mathew Zerangue	Del 2	10901	Oxford	287	\$86.10	\$150.00	\$236.10
	Don Schiffner	Del 1	11541	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
	Bob Pyle	Del 2	11541	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
	Robert Theriot	Del 1	11654	Wiggins	177	\$53.10	\$150.00	\$203.10
	William Haas	Del 2	11654	Wiggins	177	\$53.10	\$150.00	\$203.10
		Del 1	11904	Lucedale	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	
		Del 2	11904	Lucedale	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	
	Preston Williams	Del 1	11934	Gluckstadt	137	\$41.10	\$150.00	\$191.10
	Joseph Jones	Del 2	11934	Gluckstadt	137	\$41.10	\$150.00	\$191.10
	Kelvin Schulz	Del 1	11995	Pass Christian	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	\$210.30
	Richard Hazen	Del 2	11995	Pass Christian	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	\$210.30
	Leonard Nahlen	Del 1	12271	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
	Roger Hudson, Jr.	Del 2	12271	Gulfport	212	\$63.60	\$150.00	\$213.60
	Bill Heath	Del 1	12331	Dedaux	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	\$210.30
	Charles Riels	Del 2	12331	Dedaux	201	\$60.30	\$150.00	\$210.30
	Byron Tullos	Del 1	13471	Philadelphia	210	\$63.00	\$150.00	\$213.00
	Doug Prosen	Del 2	13471	Philadelphia	210	\$63.00	\$150.00	\$213.00
	William c. Haire	Del 1	13502	Batesville	266	\$79.80	\$150.00	\$229.80
	Raymond Cole	Del 2	13502	Batesville	266	\$79.80	\$150.00	\$229.80
	Otha Jones	Del 1	14051	Olive Branch	319	\$95.70	\$150.00	\$245.70
	John Chiumento	Del 2	14051	Olive Branch	319	\$95.70	\$150.00	\$245.70
		Del 1	15121	Poplarville	182	\$54.60	\$150.00	
		Del 2	15121	Poplarville	182	\$54.60	\$150.00	
	Robert Munroe	Del 1	15131	Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	David Fisher	Del 2	15131	Jackson	115	\$34.50	\$150.00	\$184.50
	Mark Hopkins	Del 1	15155	Vancleave	240	\$72.00	\$150.00	\$222.00
	Scott Johnson	Del 2	15155	Vancleave	240	\$72.00	\$151.00	\$223.00
	O D Landrum	Del 1	15382	Hattiesburg	143	\$42.90	\$150.00	\$192.90
	Frank Holifield	Del 2	15382	Hattiesburg	143	\$42.90	\$150.00	\$192.90
	Paul Pitts	Del 1	16433	Waveland	203	\$60.90	\$150.00	\$210.90
	Brent Woodfill	Del 2	16433	Waveland	203	\$60.90	\$150.00	\$210.90
								\$21,071.90

Grand Total:

Minutes of the
Youth Committee
Meeting

The councils represented reported varied success in working with parish youth groups. One council reported that the parish priest had chided the families for not becoming more involved in parish youth programs and the supporting KC programs. Several members reported difficulty in getting youth (and their families) to KC sponsored youth programs. Many youth are very involved with sports and other youth activities and they often don't have time to participate in parish/KC youth activities. All agreed that focusing on youth and keeping youth active is important to keeping youth in the church and growing the church and KC's. Another area of concern involved the background check for council youth directors and those involved with youth. Perhaps the state youth director could determine what is actually involved in the background check.

Family Activity Committee Report

Bob LEO - Chairman

We had 8 of 9 members present at the meeting. The first order of business was to choose the best Family activity. This was accomplished.

The second project was to choose the best Knight of the year. This was also achieved.

The last order of business was to select the best family of the year.

Discussion

There was a lot of discussion on family activities through out the council, on how to get families more involved in council activities and to try different programs for family activities: i.e. Having Family get to ~~Get~~ Get together, Have Family movie night, Have Santa Clause visit family home for a nominal fee, etc etc.

Discussion continued on proceedings for the "Family of the Month" Program, and when and how to submit FOM reports.

Bob LEO

MISSISSIPPI STATE CONVENTION 2016
STATE VOCATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Vocations Activity Committee met to select the Best Vocations Activity Project in each Diocese, State Knight of the Year and State Family of the Year as requested by the State Program Director. Also, we were asked to discuss the Vocations Activity conducted within both Diocese and make suggestions for improvement.

The reports were very detailed and the Committee Members took the time to carefully read the submissions to make their selections. The remaining time was used for discussion and suggestions.

1. Only a few Councils in the Jackson and Biloxi Diocese submitted a Best Vocations Project Activity Entry. Many Councils reported activities in other Program Activity Report Areas, such as activities to raise money for the Seminarian Education Fund as a Church Activity but, they did not submit it as a Vocation Project Activity.
2. All the Committee Members suggested that future reports be written in Generic Terms without identifying information. Names, places and etc. should be on a separate cover sheet, so they would not need to be deleted to prevent it from being identifiable to the Judging Committee. Deletions in a report makes it difficult to read and could impact current and future Judge's Decisions. It is suggested that the Face Sheet be removed prior to distribution to the judging committee members.

The Committee discussed several activities, other than to raise funds for Vocations, that could be promoted by the Council for participation within the Council and within the Parish. Some examples currently being conducted within the Parish are as follows:

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| 1. Cross presented to Family for a week | -- Family Prayer for Vocations |
| 2. Pray for Vocations during Prayers of Faithful | -- Parish Prayer |
| 3. Attend Daily Mass and offer it for Vocations | -- Individual or Group |
| 4. Adoration and Benediction | -- Council and Parish |
| 5. Communication and Support to Seminarians | -- Email, Cards and Letters |
| 6. Parish Vocations Committee | -- Coordinate Vocation Activities |

Respectfully Submitted,

Deacon Eddie Renz	Council # 1522	DeWayne Rooney	Council # 7910
Daniel Nelson	Council # 8038	Richard Tell	Council # 9409
Joseph Furlan	Council # 9124	Preston Williams	Council # 11934
Jim Saunders	Council # 6872	Luis Ybarra	District Deputy # 7

Joseph B. Goellner, Sr
State Vocations Committee Chairman

State Director/Chairmen Reports

Bishop Gerow Fund Chairman

McGivney Guild Chairman

Youth Director

Community Director

Council Director

Programs Director

Membership Director

Bishop R. O. Gerow Memorial (Priest Education) Fund

Mississippi Jurisdiction

for the Year Ending 2016

DIOCESE OF BILOXI

COUNCILS

District	Number	Council	Donations 2015	Totals Thru Yr. End 2015	Donations 2016	Totals Thru Yr. End 2016
11	1244	Biloxi	2,000.00	51,837.00		51,837.00
9	1522	Pere LeDue-Bay St. Louis	200.00	34,402.00		34,402.00
10	1583	Bishop Gunn-Gulfport	2,000.00	97,064.00		97,064.00
12	1605	Msgr. P. J. Carey-Pascagoula		140,897.00		140,897.00
8	1908	Bishop Fahey-Hattiesburg	503.00	43,328.00		43,328.00
8	2180	Immaculate Conception-Laurel	5,300.00	83,830.00		83,830.00
10	4472	Msgr. Leech-Pass Christian	600.00	14,504.00		14,504.00
10	4898	St. Vincent DePaul-Long Beach		100,140.00		100,140.00
12	5654	Fred L. Westbrook Sr.-Ocean Springs	500.00	48,427.00		48,427.00
13	6592	Fr. Malachy Burns-Bassfield		3,460.00		3,460.00
13	6872	Oscar J. Gelphi-Picayune	1,770.00	105,190.56		105,190.56
9	7087	Fr. A. C. Denis-Kiln	200.00	17,412.00		17,412.00
13	7211	Our Lady Of Perpetual Help-Lumberton	200.00	54,837.00		54,837.00
10	7910	Fr. Harry Wade-Orange Grove		3,081.00		3,081.00
11	9094	Fr. Patrick McAlpine-D'Iberville	3,000.00	42,645.00		42,645.00
12	9124	St. Mary-Gautier	1,000.00	17,347.00		17,347.00
11	9409	Reinhart Schroeder-West Biloxi	1,000.00	31,214.00		31,214.00
11	9673	James D. Hart-Woolmarket	750.00	14,559.54		14,559.54
9	9958	St. Ann-Lizana		6,370.00		6,370.00
12	10499	Msgr. Gregory Kennedy-Ocean Springs	540.00	13,976.00		13,976.00
10	11541	St. James-Gulfport	500.00	9,954.00		9,954.00
8	11654	Fr. Paul Gillis-Wiggins	50.00	8,064.39		8,064.39
8	11904	St. Lucy-Lucedale	375.00	4,594.00		4,594.00
8	11956	Fr. Patrick Quinn-Tylertown		12,221.20		12,221.20
9	11995	Fr. R.J. Sorin-Diamondhead	300.00	7,175.75		7,175.75
12	12166	Sacred Heart-Pascagoula		3,807.00		3,807.00
10	12271	St. Joseph the Worker-Sea Bee Base	500.00	35,966.00		35,966.00
9	12331	Sacred Heart-Dedeaux	500.00	7,730.49		7,730.49
8	13936	St. Jude-Columbia <u>*No Longer a Council</u>		4,638.00		4,638.00
13	15121	St. Joseph-Poplarville		0.00		0.00
12	15155	Fr. Dennis Harlow-Vancleave	100.00	500.00		500.00
8	15382	St. Thomas Aquinas - Hattiesburg	250.00	1,650.00		1,650.00
Council Totals			22,138.00	1,020,821.93	0.00	1,020,821.93

ASSEMBLIES

District	Number	Assemblies	Donations 2015	Totals Thru Yr. End 2015	Donations 2016	Totals Thru Yr. End 2016
	556	Bishop Gunn-Gulfport		3,509.00		3,509.00
	557	Biloxi	200.00	400.00		400.00
	561	Msgr. P. J. Carey-Gautier		525.00		525.00
	562	Bishop Fahren-Hattiesburg		100.00		100.00
	563	Arthur F. Axton-Laurel	400.00	3,200.00		3,200.00
	1719	Msgr. John P. O'Connor-Long Beach		3,700.00		3,700.00
	2059	Fr. Francis Deignan-Ocean Springs		3,756.00		3,756.00
	2227	Fr. Michael Leane-Picayune	1,737.15	35,734.75		35,734.75
	2284	St. Ann-Lizana/Gulfport		610.00		610.00
	2347	Paul R. Depew-Orange Grove		250.00		250.00
	2558	St. James-Gulfport		500.00		500.00
	2759	Gulfport	300.00	2,750.00		2,750.00
	2969	Tylertown		600.00		600.00
	2971	Paul Bacon - Wiggins		50.00		50.00
	3007	Mark Landry - D'Iberville	200.00	650.00		650.00
Assemblies Totals			2,837.15	56,334.75	0.00	56,334.75

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DIOCESE OF BILOXI

AUXILIARIES

District Number	Auxiliaries	Donations 2015	Totals Thur Yr. End 2015	Donations 2016	Totals Thru Yr. End 2016
1244	Biloxi		900.00		900.00
1522	Pere LeDue-Bay St. Louis		335.00		335.00
1583	Bishop Gunn-Gulfport	100.00	3,325.00		3,325.00
1605	Msgr. P. J. Carey-Pascagoula		2,050.00		2,050.00
4472	Msgr. Leech-Pass Christian		775.00		775.00
4898	St. Vincent DePaul-Long Beach		1,550.00		1,550.00
5654	Fred L. Westbrook Sr.-Ocean Springs		225.00		225.00
6872	Oscar J. Gelphi-Picayune	200.00	200.00		200.00
7910	Fr. Harry Wade-Orange Grove		200.00		200.00
9094	Fr. Patrick McAlpine-D'Iberville		4,513.00		4,513.00
9409	Reinhart Schroeder-West Biloxi		650.00		650.00
9958	St. Ann-Lizana		1,100.00		1,100.00
11956	Fr. Patrick Quinn-Tylertown		700.00		700.00
11995	Fr. R. J. Sorin-West Harrison		200.00	25.00	225.00
13936	St. Jude-Columbia		800.00		800.00
	State Ladies Auxiliary	250.00	4,600.40		4,600.40
	Auxiliary Totals	550.00	22,123.40	25.00	22,148.40
	Carry over from 2013	10.00	10.00		10.00
	Christopher Fund Totals		18,233.32		18,233.32
	Automobile Raffle Totals		38,686.00		38,686.00
	Other Contribution Totals	60.00	13,801.00		13,801.00

<u>DIOCESE OF BILOXI TOTALS</u>	25,585.15	1,170,010.40	25.00	1,170,035.40
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Bishop R. O. Gerow Memorial (Priest Education) Fund
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DIOCESE OF JACKSON
COUNCILS

District Number	Council	Donations 2015	Totals Thru Yr. End 2015	Donations 2016	Totals Thru Yr. End 2016
4	802 Msgr. John J. Burns-Meridian	11,000.00	116,670.44		116,670.44
5	848 John T. Savage-Jackson	2,000.00	45,505.00		45,505.00
5	898 Vicksburg	2,500.00	119,054.00		119,054.00
7	1034 Bishop R.O. Gerow-Natchez	1,034.00	72,565.00		72,565.00
3	2134 Fr. Korstenbrock-Greenville	1,100.00	90,644.00		90,644.00
3	2945 C. G. Shapley-Leland		29,012.00		29,012.00
2	2969 Msgr. James T. McKenna-Clarksdale		38,070.00		38,070.00
3	5267 Msgr. John F. Clerico-Greenwood	2,000.00	47,462.00	2,000.00	49,462.00
3	5556 Fr. Rotondo-Cleveland	1,200.00	29,050.00		29,050.00
	6555 Shelby - <u>*No Longer a Council</u>		10,160.00		10,160.00
4	6765 Fr. John P. Egan-Starkville	1,050.00	14,522.28		14,522.28
2	7120 Hernando DeSoto-Southaven	1,250.00	18,938.00		18,938.00
5	7854 Holy Savior-Clinton	500.00	13,511.00		13,511.00
7	7915 Joseph Bonfiglio-Brookhaven	5,000.00	45,050.00		45,050.00
4	7974 W. H. Jolly-Columbus	200.00	5,875.00		5,875.00
6	8038 St. Jude Centennial-Pearl		3,754.00		3,754.00
7	8054 Charles R. Brill-McComb	500.00	14,020.00		14,020.00
5	8285 St. Therese-Jackson	50.00	4,820.00		4,820.00
1	8760 St. Joseph-Holly Springs	200.00	3,450.00		3,450.00
1	8848 Fr. Robert Reitmeier-Tupleo	1,500.00	28,200.00		28,200.00
1	8912 St. James the Less-Corinth		5,289.00		5,289.00
3	9234 Indianola		4,640.00		4,640.00
6	9543 St. Francis of Assisi-Madison	16,555.00	116,807.68		116,807.68
6	10216 St. Paul-Brandon	2,500.00	27,211.00		27,211.00
3	10443 Fr. Clifford Meador-Grenada	600.00	17,635.00		17,635.00
1	10901 St. John-Oxford	150.00	3,700.00		3,700.00
6	11934 St. Joseph-Gluckstadt	1,596.00	22,191.00		22,191.00
4	13471 Fr. Raphael Toner-Philadelphia	100.00	800.00		800.00
2	13502 Fr. Thomas Boyce-Batesville	200.00	1,674.00		1,674.00
2	14051 Fr. Leo John Dehon-Olive Branch	50.00	600.00		600.00
5	15131 St. Richard-Jackson	5,000.00	12,000.00		12,000.00
Council Totals		57,835.00	962,880.40	2,000.00	964,880.40

ASSEMBLIES

District Number	Assemblies	Donations 2015	Totals Thru Yr. End 2015	Donations 2016	Totals Thru Yr. End 2016
	554 Bishop R.O. Gerow-Jackson		3,340.00		3,340.00
	555 Msgr. J. Igoe-Greenville/Leland	675.00	71,484.00		71,484.00
	558 Vicksburg		14,250.00		14,250.00
	559 August J. Stone-Natchez		975.00		975.00
	1251 Msgr. John J. Burns-Meridian		6,350.00		6,350.00
	1503 Dr. William F. LaForge-Cleveland		3,150.00		3,150.00
	1569 Greenwood		1,265.00		1,265.00
	2131 Fr. Clarence J. Meyer-Tupelo		2,350.00		2,350.00
	2195 Fr. Gregory Bezy-Southaven	200.00	4,720.00		4,720.00
	2269 Bishop Brunini-Brandon/Madison	100.00	8,266.00		8,266.00
	2495 Oxford		0.00		0.00
	2734 Sir Knight Eugene T. Hicks-Starkville	1,000.00	5,840.00		5,840.00
	2913 Pope John Paul II-Corinth		1,950.00		1,950.00
	2916 Fr. Clifford Meador-Grenada	100.00	950.00		950.00
	2969 Tylertown	600.00	1,925.00		1,925.00
	3081 Our Lady Queen of Peace-Olive Branch		450.00		450.00
Assemblies Totals		2,675.00	127,265.00	0.00	127,265.00

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DIOCESE OF JACKSON
AUXILIARIES

District Number	Auxiliaries	Donations 2015	Totals Thru Yr. End 2015	Donations 2016	Totals Thru Yr. End 2016
802	Msgr. John J. Burns-Meridian		4,100.00		4,100.00
848	John T. Savage-Jackson		25.00		25.00
898	Vicksburg		60.00		60.00
1034	Bishop R. O. Gerow-Natchez		200.00		200.00
2134	Fr. Korstenbroek-Greenville	335.99	10,685.99		10,685.99
6765	Fr. John P. Egan-Starkville		90.00		90.00
7120	Hernando DeSoto-Southaven		825.00		825.00
7854	Holy Savior-Clinton	613.00	5,626.00		5,626.00
8912	St. James the Lessor-Corinth	200.00	300.00		300.00
10216	St. Paul-Brandon		50.00		50.00
10443	Fr. Clifford Meador-Grenada		225.00		225.00
11934	Gluckstadt	126.75	702.75		702.75
	State Ladies Auxiliary	250.00	4,825.00		4,825.00
	Auxiliaries Totals	1,525.74	27,714.74	0.00	27,714.74
	Carry over from 2013		110.00		110.00
	Christopher Fund Totals		23,427.30		23,427.30
	Automobile Raffle Totals		54,677.00		54,677.00
	Other Contribution Totals	60.00	11,220.00		11,220.00
	DIOCESE OF JACKSON TOTALS	62,095.74	1,207,294.44	2,000.00	1,209,294.44

Other Contributions 2015: Total - Dr. Paul Gospodarski Memorial Donation/Supreme Representation Donation

MISSISSIPPI JURISDICTION TOTALS **87,680.89** **2,377,304.84** **2,025.00** **2,379,329.84**
(DOES NOT INCLUDE 2015 CHRISTOPHER FUND)

FATHER MICHAEL J. MCGIVNEY GUILD Chairman's Report

The purpose of the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild is simply to spread the news about our Founder and to promote his cause for canonization. To have our Founder raised to the honors of the altar would, indeed, be a blessing to each and every member of our Order. The Roman process of investigation into his life and holiness is nearing completion and the investigation into a reported miracle is progressing. The Guild plays an important role in making Father McGivney better known and spreading the word about his powerful intercession.

As of January 1, 2016 we currently have 1,112 Guild members in our Jurisdiction. This is less than 20% of our total membership. I have said many, many times that I simply do not understand why every Brother Knight is not a member of the Guild. After all, it costs nothing to join and there are no membership dues. As a member, you will receive the Guild newsletter which has all of the latest news about the progress of the cause for canonization

As Chairman, I request that you give every consideration to becoming a member of the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild. Who knows what favor you might receive as a result of your membership. You may join by way of the K of C website or by sending an application to Supreme by mail.

The spiritual heritage of Father McGivney is his precious gift to the Knights of Columbus. All of us as Brother Knights owe it to him and the church to share his gift with those we meet. JOIN THE GUILD!!

Vivat Jesus

Thomas R. Zettler, PSD

Good luck at convention, Noel

Tom Z



Year End Report

State Youth Program



This is my first year as state youth chairman and it has been a challenging and exciting year. This year the state either has or will submit entries to the Supreme competitions for each of the five youth competitions.

For the Soccer Challenge, 3 councils participated with 147 youth participating overall. Winners were:

Division	Council	Name
9 y/o girl	898	Katie Farthing
9 y/o boy	898	Haddon Rowland
10 y/o girl	1908	Chelsie Neal
10 y/o boy	1908	Reese Sullivan
11 y/o girl	1908	Gracie Falla
11 y/o boy	898	Will Farthing
12 y/o girl	1908	Ella Mercer
12 y/o boy	1908	Zachary Fontes
13 y/o girl	898	Rebecca Hahn
13 y/o boy	11654	Cameron Musiac
14 y/o girl	11654	Jordan Pete
14 y/o boy	11654	Chad Hudson

For the Free Throw Contest, 9 councils participated. Winners were:

Division	Council	Name
9 y/o girl	5654	Siera Rushing
9 y/o boy	9094	Ellis Newman
10 y/o girl	802	Marlaina G. Baylor
10 y/o boy	802	Travis Paul Ross
11 y/o girl	1908	Sarah M Gallardo
11 y/o boy	15131	Sullivan "Sully" Moorehead
12 y/o girl	802	Bailey McGee
12 y/o boy	802	Elijah Reed
13 y/o girl	11654	Gabriela Patino
13 y/o boy	9094	Hunter Sanders
14 y/o girl	7120	Karia Mora (tie)
14 y/o girl	7120	Amy Meraz (tie)
14 y/o boy	15131	William Turner

For the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest, 4 councils participated. Winners were:

Division	Council	Name
5 - 7 y/o	6765	Noah B. Camba
8 – 10 y/o	6765	Eliza Artigues
11 – 14 y/o	11654	Jessalyn Cain

For the Substance Abuse Poster Contest, only two council participated with 8 youth participating. Winners were:

Division	Council	Name
8 – 11 y/o Drug	9763	Dylan Greene
12 – 14 y/o Alcohol	898	Hannah Grace Parker
12 – 14 y/o Drug	898	Aimee' Jones

Finally, for the Citizenship Essay Contest, four councils participated. Winners were:

Grade	Council	Name
8 th	11654	Maegan Daneault
9 th	898	Mattie Derivaux
10 th	11654	Lillie Guida
11 th	11654	Morgan Badurak
12 th	898	Katie Martin

Overall many more council participated in the non-athletic competitions than in years past. I hope next year to continue to grow youth programs with more councils participating overall and more district and regional competitions. I also plan to enlist the aid of the Ladies Auxiliary to help judge the more subjective competitions.

Submitted respectfully,

Charles Hahn

Youth Chairman

State Community Report

Worthy State Deputy, Brother Knights & Families,

It has been an honor to be a part of the State Family this year and to have served our brother Knights and Councils. I have tried to expand on our service to those with intellectual disabilities and deepen our relationships with our First Responders.

The P.I.D. Tootsie Roll Drive has done better than 2014 in terms of dollars raised. Just over \$9,000 more came in for 2015 with nothing for 2016 thus far. However, less councils have participated this year and only 22 did last year. We have a long way to go!

We also wanted to hold more Blue Masses across the state this year but I have received no reports on this program. Please consider this; the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund says we average losing an officer every 60 hours in this country to a Line of Duty Death. In 2015 we lost 124 with 5 being from Mississippi and we lose about 90 Firefighters each year as well. I believe they deserve to be recognized. How about you?

Bryan V. Cassagne
State Community Director

Worthy State Deputy;

It has been an honor and a privilege to have been a part of the State Family this past year. During the year many activities have occurred, the Coats for kids program is continuing to be a very successful program, throughout the state.

During the year I have attended the State organizational meeting, all of the Mid-winter meetings. I have learned much from these meetings, and I am prepared to put the knowledge to good use.

I also have been busy trying to spark some more life into our State Bowling Tournament, due to the cancellation of 3 tournaments due to lack of participation, hopefully this year's tournament will be a whooping success.

I am again requesting that each council submit a council activity which it considers to be its best so that other councils may get ideas for future programs, and all can benefit from it.

Respectfully submitted

Robert "Bob " Leo

State Council Director

Worthy Brother Knights,

As we launched into the 2015-2016 Fraternal Year the programs effort across the Mississippi Jurisdiction were focused in three areas: Strengthening Catholic Families, energizing the membership, and increasing council participation across the State of Mississippi, thereby supporting membership growth and retention.

At the onset of the year, goals were rolled out to inspire these areas of focus, including a 15% Increase in Total Activities Reported, a 25% increase in Active Council Reporting, a 25% increase in Active Council Reporting, a 50% increase in Best Project Submittals and a 50% increase in Councils Submitting Best Projects.

The State Program Directors team consisting of Ted Lander –Church, Brian Cassagne-Community, Elvis Gates- Council, Dennis Riecke- Culture of Life, Bob Leo- Family and Charles Hahn- Youth worked to identify and define a set of key programs, in addition to those identified by Supreme, that would reinforce the message of Strengthening Catholic Families. These focus programs were holding 5th Sunday Rosary with a Parish Meal, Quarterly Council Socials, conducting a P.I.D. Tootsie Roll Drive, Hold a Family Event during Supreme's Family Week, Support Youth Catholic Education, and conduct a Baby Bottle Fundraiser.

Throughout the year, each of the program directors promoted these programs and others by way of e-mails direct into each of the council program chairmen, and articles written and submitted to the Magnolia Knight. These directors were visible and available especially at the Schools of Columbianism and the Mid-Winter Meetings.

By way of the efforts of the Grand Knights, Council Program Directors and Chairmen, the State Program Directors, and the entire membership across the State of Mississippi, we as the Mississippi Jurisdiction were able to conduct 2150 programs and activities in the 2015-2016 Fraternal Year, a 22% growth over the prior year. Best project submittals also experienced a nice increase at 28% over the number submitted during the 2014-2015 Fraternal Year, which was up significantly from the year prior to that, resulting in a two year growth of 79%.

There continues to be some areas of opportunity as we close out this Fraternal Year in the area of programs. Despite the gain in Best Program submittals, the greater majority of councils across the state did not submit one Best Program report this year, thereby excluding their councils possible recognition at the State Convention. We also continue to have a number of councils who do not submit and report on their program activity throughout the year. These areas need to be reviewed and addressed by the District Deputies for the individual councils in the upcoming year.

As a whole, the Mississippi Jurisdiction had a great year in the areas of programs and activities, solidifying our commits to Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. The Program Directors at the State and Council levels did an outstanding job of providing the membership of Mississippi Knights the opportunity to be engaged in and active in energized programs across the state,

while focusing on Strengthening Catholic Families. I thank each and every Knight for their energy and efforts in doing the good work in support of our Churches, Councils Communities, Youth, Families, and in promoting a Culture of Life. It has been my honor to serve the Mississippi Jurisdiction this past year.

Vivat Jesus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Guy Heying

2015-2016 State Programs Director

State Membership Report

2015-2016

His Excellency Bishops, Reverend Fathers, Deacons, Supreme Representative and Officers and Members of the 112th Annual Meeting of the Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Natchez, Mississippi on April 22nd thru April 24th . In compliance with section 9 of the by-laws of the Mississippi State Council, it is my pleasure, privilege, and honor to submit an annual report as your State Membership Report.

With the support of our 63 Council we were able to achieve the honor of “Circle of Honor” for the Mississippi Jurisdiction making our quota of 350 new Members.

This position has been rewarding as it enabled me to talk, meet and enjoy fellowship with many of our Mississippi State Brothers throughout the year.

May God bless you and your families and the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!
Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Kassouf
State Membership Chairman

Grand Knight Reports

Grand Knight's Report

Fr. Korstenbroek Council 2134 Greenville, Mississippi

Guy Mandolini Grand Knight

The Fr. Korstenbroek Council 2134 was established in 1921 and has been active in the St. Joseph Parish in Greenville, MS for 93 years. The Council as of April 1, 2015 had 125 members with 4 Honorary and 36 Honorary Life Members. Twenty two of the council members have received the honor of the Fourth Degree in the Knights of Columbus. In the past 2 years, the Council has sold their council hall and move to the parish hall in order to concentrate their efforts for the parish community rather than maintaining a building and grounds. Also in the last few years, the Council has established a First and Second Degree Team and is actively recruiting new members and initiating them in a timely manner. The Degree Team agreed at the outset to hold a degree if only one candidate was available. Over the years some of the Degree Team members have moved and new members have been recruited. Our Council feels that this activity is essential for growth in an area of dwindling population and few Catholics.

Serving our Council in 2014-2015 as officers are:

NAME	OFFICE	NAME	OFFICE
Fr. Bill Henry	Chaplain	Robert Fratesi	Advocate
Guy P. Mandolini	Grand Knight	Tom Yerr	Warden
Euclides (Kyle) Velasquez	Deputy Grand Knight	Earl Moore	Inside Guard
James E. Bell	Grand Bellman	Ch. State Williams, Wayne	Outside Guard
Bernard J. Brown	Recorder	W. Wayne Brewer	Trustee
Richard T. Clark	Financial Secretary	Ray H. Willwood	Trustee
		William N. Koeppe	Trustee

Our Council has successfully completed the required activities of Supreme and the State Council and has been working to increase membership in the Council. We have hosted First and Second Degrees in the last year. Our efforts in the near future will be concentrated on advancing our First Degree members to the Second and Third Degree. With the new guidelines requiring Second and Third Degrees to be held separately, it becomes more difficult to get candidates together for multiple trips.

Our Council has been active in the parish, school and community in the last year and some of these activities have included:

CHURCH ACTIVITIES:

- The parish Pentecost Sunday Mass originated as an outdoor Mass of Celebration with parish members and families coming together for Mass (only Mass of the day) and fellowship. In recent years, the Mass has been held in a state park, convention center grounds, school football complex, and now the church. With inclement weather and older parish members the event has moved to the church and parish hall (air-conditioned). The Knight's primary responsibility has been in preparing the lunch of grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, chips, beans, and ice cream. However, Knight's participation and responsibilities are much greater.
- Participated in Supreme's RSVP Program (Mark Shoffner and Joseph Le, Seminarians) - Participated in the life of the parish as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Community Leaders, Ushers and Greeters, Choir and Liturgy Committees -Held fundraisers and made donation to the

Bishop Gerow Priest Education Fund -Participated in parish Mission -Sponsored a "Keep Christ in Christmas" Christmas card program in the parish -Donated to the Military Chaplains Education Fund -Sponsored a Parish Food Drive for St Vincent De Paul Society in our community -Prepared Mardi Gras Pancake Supper for the parish -Collected toiletry items for the St. Monica Women's Prison Misistrty

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

- Each year, the Knights of Columbus council in our area participates in the largest fundraising activity for our Catholic School system. Less than half of the students attend K4 through 12th grade are Catholic so the event is important to the community as well as the parish. Over the years, the Spaghetti Dinner has been the responsibility of the Knights all the way from ordering supplies, through preparation and serving, to cleanup.

Knights, their families, students, and volunteer prepare takeouts and dine-in plates with approximately 2,000 people served in a matter of hours. The chairmanship is big responsibility but the support of all Knights is key to the success.

All students and families are asked to participate in some way for the parish fair as they are the direct beneficiaries of the efforts. All net proceeds from the event are put directly into the school budgets. Over the last several years, the net proceeds have totalled nearly \$100,000, annually. This allows the parish to keep the tuition as affordable as possible and Catholic education a viable option in the area.

-Council held and performed its own First and Second Degree Exemplification -Council had members to assist with Region 9 Special Olympics -Council has members on a certified First and Second Degree Team -Council website hosted through the parish website -Participated in the state bowling tournament in Natchez -Recognized a Knight or Family of the Month each Month and selected both Knight of the Year and Family of the Year -Council has chief responsibilities for the Annual St. Joseph Parish Fair to benefit the St. Joseph School System -Lenten Catfish Supper to support Charitable Works Project of the Council including scholarships and school awards.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

-Council members work with Habitat for Humanity in Greenville and Leland including Board of Directors and other leadership roles -Participate in community beautification project with respect to recycling (aluminum cans for Habitat for Humanity as an example) -Visiting the sick and shut-ins, running errands etc -Participate in food and clothing drives in the community (St. Vincent De Paul) and have members that volunteer on a regular basis with St. Vincent -Members participate in community leadership roles in Rotary, Lions, and others civic or cultural groups and organizations including Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development -Participate in community and church blood drives - St. Joseph Parish Fair including leadership in all major areas including overall Chair, Spaghetti Dinner (KC Project), Financial Chair, and Big Raffle Chair -Participated in Supreme's "Forty Cans for Forty Days" (Food items to St. Vincent)

FAMILY ACTIVITIES:

-Participate in Supreme's Family of the Month Program -Select and submit to the state convention and Family of the Year and Knight of the Year -Sponsor a family social (four times a year -pizza, burgers etc and open house) -Monthly parish breakfast following the early Mass (proceeds to support RSVP) - Council sponsored Lenten Fish Fry for members of the parish and community with proceeds to be used for Council charitable works and Priest Education Fund

YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

- Support the Parish CYO or other youth organizations (includes chaperons). Our council has had two fundraisers during the current fraternal year in support of the parish youth program. The first was held in the summer (BBQ pulled pork sandwich) luncheon and the other during the winter (Pancake Breakfast). Both activities involved youth participation as well as Knight participation.
- Support and sponsor a Boy Scout and Girl Scout Troop along with Cubs and Brownies -Conduct a program to recognize and encourage liturgical participation –Altar Server Appreciation Luncheon for Youth and their families -Actively participate in community youth programs as coaches and sponsors - Maintain a high school scholarship for deserving youth -Sponsor awards for outstanding senior boy and girl from St. Joseph High School -Sponsor athletic sportsmanship awards at St. Joseph High School Food collection during Thanksgiving and the Advent season for distribution through St. Vincent De Paul Society -Participate in Spring Fling Drawdown to support Catholic School (2015 Denim and Diamonds)

CULTURE OF LIFE ACTIVITIES:

- Raised funds and donated for the Mississippi Pro Life Memorial Fund
- Participated in Supreme's "Day of the Unborn Child" -Memorial on the church grounds
- Active volunteer and support program for St. Vincent De Paul ministry to the poor and less fortunate in the community
- Have lead Rosary service in our parish for Culture of Life
- Collection of toiletry items for St. Monica's Women's Prison Ministry

Much of the success of the Knights of Columbus Council lies in the hands of a dedicated group of men that believe in the vision of Fr. Michael J. McGivney. Some of our members have specific programs that they support but are willing to help when called upon. Our Council is getting stronger as we move to the parish and away from the council hall. Many dedicated Knights have spent a tremendous amount of energy in trying to preserve a building. As that phase has passed a renewed energy is building in the parish. Our Council continues to recruit graduating seniors and new members to our faith as well as new members to our parish. With the support of our parish priest and Chaplain, Fr. Bill Henry and Associate Pastor, Fr. Rusty Vincent, and our former State Chaplain and Council Chaplain, Fr. Frank Corcoran, we will continue to move forward. Our mission is to continue our activities and support our parish and pastor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Guy Mandolini

Guy Mandolini, GK Fr. Korstenbroeck Council 2134

Grand Knights Report

Council 2180

Laurel, MS

The 2015-2016 fraternal year was a very successful year for our council. Though this was my first year as Grand Knight, we continued the good work of past Grand Knight Ronnie Morales. With the help of many of my faithful brothers, we accomplished many activities over the past year. Most notably we were able to continue our monthly pancake breakfasts. That, along with our Gumbo sale fund raiser held in January, enabled us to raise funds for the Priest Education Fund. The pancake breakfasts were not only an opportunity to do good work for the church, but served as an important means of providing fellowship for our brother Knights and the parish.

The pancake breakfasts were not the only activity that our council participated in this year. We held a pro-life pot luck supper in August which kicked off our first ever baby bottle drive. This drive culminated in October with our local Life Chain in which many of my brother Knights participated in to show our support for the right to life. I would like to especially recognize our Pro Life chair Brother Greg Miller for his efforts this year in this most important cause. A peanut boil was held in September. Those profits went to support some of the youth in our parish on their trip to Washington D.C. to the National March for Life.

In November a Deceased Knights Mass and a Thanksgiving pot luck supper were held. My brother Knights were also instrumental in a Chili fund raiser in November that raised funds for the St. Vincent DePaul Society. In December our council assisted in planning and supporting the annual parish Christmas party where I had the honor of playing Santa Claus. Some of the guests at the Christmas party included residents of Ellisville State School. In January a group of Brothers from are council served in Dedeaux by preparing a meal for the prospective deacons who are currently in formation. February saw another successful domestic abuse pot luck supper through which we raised money and material for the local domestic abuse shelter. In March our council hosted a Lenten potato supper that was well received.

Success was also seen this year in the area of recruiting. Eight new brother Knights have been added to our ranks this year to date. I pray that this trend will continue and that these men will become active Knights and get as much from the Knights of Columbus as I have.

I would like to thank all of my brother Knights for their tireless work. I would like to especially thank Brother Ronnie Morales and his wife Tracie, our Financial Secretary Bill Gatzman, and all our officers through whose efforts have built our successful council. Without these people and my other brothers none of the accomplishments listed above would have taken place. I would also like to thank our District Deputy Sherwood Beckham for his leadership. Last but not least, I would like to thank my

wife Dana for her support. I pray that God would bless my council and the Knights of Columbus in the upcoming fraternal year.

Faithfully submitted,

Keith Knight

Grand Knight

John Pat Meyers Council 2180

Noel Aucoin
Secretary, MS Knights of Columbus

Msgr. Leech Council 4472, Pass Christian

I am proud to submit this report of activities of the Msgr. Leech Council 4472 in Pass Christian for the fraternal year 2015-2016. I was very fortunate and honored to have the support of a very talented and dedicated group of officers.

Elected this past term with me were: Tony Diaz del Valle, Deputy Grand Knight; David Spence, Chancellor; Rodney Keel, Recorder; Pat Veltman, Treasurer; Jim Riordan, Advocate; Bob Chiasson, Warden; Keefe Hecker, Inside Guard; Binh Nguyen, Inside Guard; Fernando Ramos, Outside Guard; Rusty Bohn, Outside Guard, Joe Spence, One Year Trustee; Rod Malburg, Two Year Trustee and Bob Pavolini, Three Year Trustee.

My Grand Knight appointments were as follows: Father Mike Austin, Chaplain; Bob Chiasson, Program Director; Rod Malburg and David Spence, Co-Membership Director; and Don Smith, Lecturer. Other Directors were appointed as follows: Jim Riordan, Church Director; Greg Niolet, Council Director; Roger Shaw, Community Director; Jim Wilkinson, Culture of Life Director; Joe Spence, Family Director; and David Spence, Youth Director.

With an enormous amount of help from these leaders and the avid support of our member Knights, our Council has become one of the most visible of the ministries in Holy Family Parish. The Parish now often looks to us as the "Go To" group, and the organization that "gets things done".

As our Council grows, so do our programs. Currently, we are 114 Knights strong, and this year the Council performed 76 separate projects/initiatives in all phases of our duties and responsibilities as Knights, as follows:

Two important programs to call out up front that directly impact thousands of people are:

1. The continuation of the distribution of brochures twice a year that provide the locations of all Catholic Churches in the South Mississippi dense tourist areas to local hotels, casinos and camp grounds giving all visiting Catholics the ability to know the times and location of Masses. 1,000 brochures have been distributed impacting an estimated 5,000 Catholics
2. Holy Family Parish reflecting the deep commitment the Council's Knights have to the Parish and the Community. The Council approved, executed and supported:
 - a. Pledged \$6000 per year for 5 years to the church building fund.

- b. Built a memorial on parish grounds to the unborn

CHURCH - 10 Activities

1. Participate in the life of the parish by participating in all parts of the mass as Eucharistic Ministers, lectors, ushers, readers, altar servers, and as members of the Parish Council, Finance Council, and as members of the Church Building Committee
2. Donated to the Christopher Fund
3. Arranged a special church service in the Supreme's Marion Hours of Prayer program, featuring the Our Lady of Immaculate Conception icon
4. Pray in front of the unborn monument each corporate Sunday Mass
5. Sponsored All Souls Mass at Saint Paul's Cemetery
6. Weekly assisted Parish staff in counting collections and making deposits
7. Bring Eucharist to the sick
8. Financially support the Adopt a Seminarian program
9. Donated \$600 for RCIA program supplies
10. Hosted the Silver Rose Service

COMMUNITY - 13 Activities

1. Purchased a wheelchair in support of the Global Wheelchair Initiative
2. Participated in People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive
3. Donated to the Knights of Columbus Foundation
4. Visited the sick; shut ins, nursing home and hospital
5. Participated in a food drive
6. Leadership role at the Pass Christian Historical Society and Boy Scout Troop
7. Participate in KAIROS the Prison Ministry
8. Placed American Flags on Veteran's graves on Veterans and Memorial Days
9. Created and distributed a tri-fold brochure to all the local hotels, casinos and camp grounds locating all the Catholic Churches and their services times between Bay Saint Louis and Ocean Springs
10. Hosted a Blue mass for our local Police, Fire and EMS men and women
11. Participated in the Saint Vincent de Paul walk-a-thon to raise money for the poor
12. Participated in Rosary Rally
13. Donated \$1500 to St. Vincent de Paul School computer fund

FAMILY - 17 Activities

1. Conducted a "40 cans for Lent" food drive throughout Lent to stock the local food pantry (collected over 2300 pounds of food)
2. Monthly Corporate Communion
3. Participated in Supreme family of the Month Program
4. Submitted 'Family of the Year' at the State Convention
5. Assisted widows and families of deceased Knights
6. Held a Memorial Mass for deceased Knights
7. Council Knights assisted needy with chores identified thru the Saint Vincent de Paul Society
8. Participated in Parish bible study
9. Participated in County hot meal packaging and distribution on Thanksgiving
10. Participated in the Parish Thanksgiving food for the needy drive
11. Celebrated Rosary and Mass for Peace on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary
12. Spearheaded Parish Blood Drive
13. Parents night out/movie night for parish children
14. Family crawfish boil at Don Smith's home
15. Participated in the World Day of Prayer for the family
16. Life Chain participation with St. Thomas Church
17. Keep Christ in Christmas, Christmas card sales

YOUTH - 11 Activities

1. Support Local Boy Scouts Troop
2. Conducted Coats for Kids Drive
3. Sponsored a BBQ and presented certificates of appreciation to recognize the Altar Servers and their families
4. Sponsored Toys for Tots as a social with Knights, spouses and the Marine Corps
5. Sponsored the annual Easter egg hunt
6. Contributed to a scholarship program at Saint Vincent de Paul Elementary School donating two \$600 scholarships to one boy and one girl graduating 6th grade that will be attending catholic school in the 7th grade
7. Sponsored a celebratory lunch for all parish graduating 12th graders and their families
8. Recruited and coached altar servers

9. Showed free children's movies during the KOC sponsored Friday Lenten Dinners
10. Sponsored a celebratory breakfast in the Parish Hall for the St. Vincent De Paul graduating 6th graders and their teachers.
11. Had a breakfast with Santa for parish kids

COUNCIL - 13 Activities

1. Council performs its own First Degree Exemplification
2. Council conducts Second Degree Exemplifications
3. Council has a certified Degree Team
4. Published a monthly Council news letter
5. Held Council social 4 times during the year
6. Presented Knight of the Month and Family of the Month certificates at Corporate Communion 8:30 AM mass each month
7. Provided manpower to support most of the food booths at the Parish Annual Seafood Festival
8. Prepared Lenten Dinners for all Friday evenings during Lent
9. Cooked meals and did the calling at the VFW Monday night bingo
10. Volunteer at St. Paul's Cemetery
11. Participated in a Memorial Day ceremony with local VFW honoring all Veterans
12. Provide coffee and donuts for the new Church "Opening Day" and after every monthly Corporate Communion Mass
13. Provided a monetary gift to Fr. Mike Austin to enhance his vacation to Italy, and The Vatican.

CULTURE OF LIFE - 12 Activities

1. Participated in the March for Life
2. Donated to the Ultrasound Program
3. Donated to the Mississippi Pro Life Memorial Fund
4. Participated in the Supreme's "Day of the Unborn Child"
5. Participated in the annual Life Chain
6. Prayed the Rosary before Council meetings with Culture of Life as the intention
7. Led rosary service for the parish for Pro-Life service
8. Support Morning Star with material contributions
9. Respect Life Month, prepared church bulletin inserts on Pro-Life

10. National Prayer Life Campaign – Distributed prayer cards after all masses and urged daily prayer for life
11. National Day of the Unborn – Prayed for unborn children, aborted or threatened by abortion
12. Donated and installed lights for our “Right to Life” stone memorial monument marker

The funds we donate to charities come primarily from our Council fundraisers. The three main ones: Lenten Dinners, Drawdown, and Parade Parking, generated over \$15,000 for us this past year.

This dynamic, active, forward moving Council welcomes all Catholic men in good standing. Every month, on the first Tuesday of the month, please join our Council meetings at 6:30 for the Rosary for Pro-Life, 7:00 PM for the meal and at 7:30 for the Council meeting. Please bring your KOC ID with you. You are also invited to join our monthly Corporate Communion the Sunday after the first Tuesday of each month, usually at the 8:30 AM Mass. The Knights not only process in with their spouses/families and sit together shoulder to shoulder as soldiers in Christ; we also handle the duties of altar servers, cross bearer, lectors, ushers, gift bearers, and commentator for the Mass. At the end of Mass, the Grand Knight presents the awards for Family of the Month and the Knight of the month. After Mass, join us for fellowship in the Parish Hall with our parishioners for coffee, orange juice, milk and doughnuts. Please feel welcome to join us and participate with our Brothers.

I am humbled and honored to have served this past year as the Grand Knight for a Council that has truly done so much for so many. I am indebted to, and sincerely thank, all of the officers and members of our Council, as well as the Ladies Auxiliary, for making this a very successful and memorable year. Additionally, I am most grateful for the support and guidance that Father Mike Austin, Sister Jackie Tarrant, Deacon Bill Vrazel, Judy Nelson, and the entire staff at Holy Family Parish.

Vivat Jesus!

Clark Brennan
Grand Knight
Msgr. Leech Council 4472
Pass Christian

Oscar J. Gelpi Council 6872
Picayune, MS
Grand Knight Report
2015 – 2016

Officers:

Grand Knight	Bryan Cassagne
DGK	Ricky Champagne
Chaplain	Rev. Truong Trinh
Chancellor	Jim Saunders
Recorder	Bill Burns
FS	Richert Mahony, Sr.
Treasurer	Jerry Cortez
Lecturer	Al Chrisman
Advocate	Gene Fricke
Warden	Joe Wilder
Inside Guard	Kent Madere
Outside Guard	Will Montgomery
1 st Trustee	Pete Duet
2 nd Trustee	Ronnie Sperier
3 rd Trustee	Ted Barze'

Church Activities:

Cooked burgers for Parish Festival, Hosted transfer of Silver Rose, Two Knights serve on Parish Council, Support a seminarian, Cook & serve monthly seminarian breakfast and a spaghetti & meatball dinner in November for support of seminarian and Bishop Gerow Fund, Sold crosses for Christian Refugee Relief, held 5th Sunday Rosary's, Cooked for Parish's 22nd Anniversary of Perpetual Adoration.

Council Activities:

Annual Memorial Mass, Publish monthly newsletter, Award monthly Knight & Family of the Month and Annual Knight & Family of the Year, Co-sponsor Founders Day – Day of Reflection with Kiln Council, Hold weekly BINGO, Hosted America Needs Fatima Icon, Held First Degree's.

Community Activities:

Conducted Holiday Food Drive for Thanksgiving & Christmas helping the agencies we work with; Sav-A-Life, Senior Center, Kiwanis Club, Bridgeway Apartments (assisted living for those with intellectual disabilities) & St. Vincent de Paul, Member of Chamber of Commerce, Hosted Business After Hours for Chamber members, Participated in Tootsie Roll Drive-PID, Organized Picayune Prayer Breakfast, Held Community Blood Drive, Held Dances for The ARC, Held 2 BINGO's for the ARC, Community Chicken BBQ for 8 different organizations. Held fund raiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Family Activities:

Corporate Communion each Quarter, Monthly socials, Support St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Bank.

Youth Activities:

Hosted NJROTC Car Wash and fed them, Hosted our Catholic School Draw Down, Cooked for youth retreat, Cooked for our School on National Pancake Day, Give two Ronald J. Cassagne Memorial Scholarships, Fund Confirmation Reception, Hold essay contest. Support Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts.

Culture of Life Activities:

Support Sav-A-Life Pregnancy Support of the Pearl River Area with funds, out-reach, volunteers & Board Members, Planned and hosted a Pro-life Art Show benefitting Sav-A-Life and the State Ultrasound Fund, Participated in Ultrasound Initiative raising over \$13,000 and purchasing a new machine for Sav-A-Life!

We lost a brother: Benedict S. Gremillion

This has been a great year. I want to thank my Council for this honor, my wife for allowing me to do this, my girls for their encouragement, my parents for their prayers (I know you have been behind me), my Parish for their support. I will miss this, even the rough patches have made us better! We donated over 15,464 hours of service and \$40,781 to our community and church. I am so happy with the relationships we have forged in our community; I hope they continue to strengthen.

In Service to Christ,
Bryan V. Cassagne
Grand Knight #6872



*Knights of Columbus
Holy Savior Council 7854
Clinton, MS 39056*

April 16, 2016

*Grand Knight's Report
2015-2016*

Worthy State Deputy,

Holy Savior Council 7854 was chartered on July 28th, 1981 and its members have been active in their Parish, Community and surrounding area continuously for 35 years.

We've had tremendous support from our parish and community, our council officers, chairmen, members and our resident priests throughout this time which continues to this day.

Our membership consists of 88 members with 9 Honorary Life and 8 Honorary. Of the 88 members, 28 of those are 4th Degree members in Bishop Gerow Assembly 554. Of the 28 4th Degree members, 12 have regalia and participate in 4th Degree ceremonies not only at Holy Savior Parish but also throughout the State.

We have members who truly understand the importance of being leaders in both the Parish and the Council. Some have served as a Grand Knight, a District Deputy, a Faithful Navigator, a District Master, a District Marshal, a Color Corp Commander and an Insurance Agent.

We've had a very successful year due in part to active participation from members of our council.

Our membership is very diverse in their individual talents which in my opinion are second to none.

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Clinton, MS 39056*

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Currently, I am nearing the end of my two year term as the Grand Knight of our Council and am first and foremost appreciative of the dedicated leadership, commitment and support our officers, chairmen and members have shown and given in continuing the legacy that was established by the Venerable Fr. Michael J. McGivney.

Because of their passionate conviction, our Council exceeded every expectation in accomplishing our goals that were set at the beginning of the fraternal year.

This renewed enthusiasm was a testament that our Council will continually strive in our commitment to helping those in need through our Charitable works.

We met or surpassed our achievements in each program activity we held this fraternal year and will use this momentum for continued success in the years to come.

Also, our efforts did not go unnoticed as we were able to gain 10 new members and 7 new insurance members.

With the change of leadership in the Council soon to be upon us, I look forward with great anticipation and enthusiasm as our members commit themselves to the inception of planning activities again for the new fraternal year.

We will always continue to invigorate the lives of those in need of our prayers and support through our 4 Core Principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

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Clinton, MS 39056*

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Here are the Council Officers and Chairmen who contributed to the success we've enjoyed this year due to their great leadership qualities and enthusiasm.

*Council Officers
2015-2016*

<i>CHAPLAIN</i>	<i>Fr. Thomas McGing</i>
<i>GRAND KNIGHT</i>	<i>Craig Harrell</i>
<i>DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT</i>	<i>Steve Miller</i>
<i>CHANCELLOR</i>	<i>Jim Sharp</i>
<i>RECORDER</i>	<i>Mike Weisenberger</i>
<i>FINANCIAL SECRETARY</i>	<i>Charles Collins</i>
<i>TREASURER</i>	<i>Chris Halliwell</i>
<i>LECTURER</i>	<i>Allen Scott</i>
<i>ADVOCATE</i>	<i>Buck Butkowski</i>
<i>WARDEN</i>	<i>Joe Johnson</i>
<i>INSIDE GUARD</i>	<i>Joe Mraz</i>
<i>OUTSIDE GUARD</i>	<i>Henry Williams</i>
<i>3 YR. TRUSTEE</i>	<i>Rob Smith</i>
<i>2 YR. TRUSTEE</i>	<i>Chuck Weiss</i>
<i>1 YR. TRUSTEE</i>	<i>Bill O'Connor</i>

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***Council Chairmen
2015-2016***

<i>Steve Miller</i>	<i>Program</i>
<i>Lloyd Everhardt</i>	<i>Membership</i>
<i>Charles Weiss</i>	<i>Church</i>
<i>Allan Rodgers</i>	<i>Council</i>
<i>Allen Scott</i>	<i>Community</i>
<i>Bill O'Connor</i>	<i>Family</i>
<i>Matt Westbrook</i>	<i>Youth</i>
<i>Chris Halliwell</i>	<i>Culture of Life and Vocations</i>

The following is a list of some of the activities in which members from our Council sponsored and participated in:

Church

- *Participated in Supremes R.S.V.P. program*
- *Held a 5th Sunday Rosary with parish meal*
- *Participated in the life of the Parish, i.e., Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Parish Council, Confirmation Classes, Parish Religious Education Program*
- *Recognized local Clergy and Religious with an Appreciation Banquet*
- *Made a donation of \$100 to the Christopher Fund and \$500 to the Bishop Gerow Memorial Fund*
- *Participated in Supremes Marian Hour of Prayer program*
- *Participated in a Parish retreat and mission*
- *Sponsored a Parish prayer service*
- *Hosted a Parish Rosary Devotion and prayed the Rosary before Council Meeting*

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Church (cont'd)

- *Donated to Military Seminarian Education*
- *Sponsored a Parish wide cleanup in the fall and spring*
- *Repaired both benches to each entrance to church*
- *Landscape Rehab (Crosstie replacement on Church grounds)*
- *Stripped and waxed the bathroom floors in the church*

Council

- *Sponsored Quarterly Council Socials*
- *Performed First Degree Exemplifications*
- *Hosted a Second Degree Exemplification*
- *Hosted a Third Degree Exemplification*
- *Have members on a Certified Degree Team*
- *Conducted several Membership Drives*
- *Maintain a Council website*
- *Held a Fraternal Benefits meeting with KC Life \Benefits Agent*
- *Conducted a Memorial Service for Deceased Brother Knights*
- *Lead Clinton Christmas Parade*
- *Lead Raymond Christmas Parade*
- *Placed American Flags on Veterans graves at Cedar Lawn Cemetery*
- *Members participated in Hal's St. Paddy Parade*
- *Members participated in Honor Guard activities throughout the area and State*

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Community

- *Participated as a Council in both Habitat for Humanity Builds*
- *Participated in Persons with Intellectual Disabilities Tootsie Roll Drive*
- *Participated as a Council in visiting the sick, elderly shut-ins and hospital visits*
- *Participated in community leadership roles*
- *Participated in prison ministry*
- *Participated in Meals on Wheels*
- *Donated to thrift shops*
- *Members participated in a fish fry for the Jackson Police Dept.*

Family

- *Conducted a Food for Families program*
- *Sponsored several KC Family Corporate Communion*
- *Sponsored a Family Fishing Day at Lake Eileen*
- *Sponsored several Parish family socials*
- *Sponsored a Sausage and Biscuit Sunday each month*
- *Sponsored a luncheon for widows of deceased Knights*
- *Sponsored socials for KC members and families after KC Corporate Communion*
- *Sponsored a St. Patrick Day Party*

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Youth

- *Conducted a Coats for Kids drive*
- *Supported the Parish CYO*
- *Supported Scouting*
- *Actively participated in community youth programs*
- *Grilled food for the Newman Club (Catholic Student Group) at MC College*
- *Sponsored a Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest for the children in RE*
- *Prepared dinner for the Youth Social during the Redemptorist Mission*

Culture of Life

- *Donated to the Ultrasound Program*
- *Donated to the Mississippi Pro Life Memorial Fund*
- *Created a Culture of Life display in the parish*
- *Prayed the Rosary before Council meetings with Culture of Life as the intention*
- *Council members lead a Rosary service in the Parish for Culture of Life*
- *Prayed Rosary at Abortion Clinic*
- *Participated in the March for Life in Vicksburg*
- *Donated to the Ladies Auxiliary Baby Bottle Project*
- *Participated in an Honor Guard for the Right to Life Vigil at the State Capitol*

Respectfully submitted,

Craig S. Harrell

*Grand Knight
Council 7854*



MEETINGS



THIRD SUNDAYS

Knights of Columbus

ST. JOSEPH'S COUNCIL NO. 8760

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI
38635

Grand Knight

Grand Knight's Report
#8760, April 15, 2016

The Officers indicated below were duly elected and installed in ceremony by District Deputy Mark Dye:

Grand Knight
Deputy Grand Knight
Chancellor
Recorder
Treasurer
Advocate
Warden
Inside Guard
Outside Guard
Trustee (1)
Trustee (2)
Trustee (3)Claude Vinson, Sr.
Eddie D. Dixon
James T. Rayford, Sr.
Ralph L. Howard
Victor D. Beard
Jabari A. OliverJames T. Rayford Jr.
James A. Vinson
Charles Farris, III
Jevon K. Adkins
Derrick C. Richmond

The following Service Program Personnel appointments were made:
Chaplin

Program Director
Church Director
Community Director
Council Director
Family Director
Pro-Life Director
Youth Director
Membership Director
Public RelationsEddie Dixon
James Rayford
Charles Farris
Eddie Dixon
Claude Vinson, Sr.Ralph Howard
Claude Vinson, Jr.
Claude Vinson, Sr.

Membership Activities:

Council #8760 has not met its membership quota for the past few years, however, recruitment is has remained a steady focus.

Church Activities:

1. Members assist at Mass as ushers, lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.
2. They are also members of the choir.
3. Members have served on Pastoral Council.

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MEETINGS



THIRD SUNDAYS

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ST. JOSEPH'S COUNCIL NO. 8760

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI
38635



CONT:

4Members provide rides for parishioner for Mass.

Communuity Activities:

1. One member is President of the State Board of County Superisior Participate in People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive.
3. Make visitits to sick and shut-ins.
4. Twommembers participate In Annual Pilgrimage.
5. Councu 11 Mmebers staff "Garden Cafe" when needed.

Culture Of Life Activities:

1. Constructed a Culture of Life Display for Commons Area.
2. The member assists Relay For Life annually.
3. Assisted citizen in obtaining transportattion.

Family Activities:

1. Selected and recognized Family of Year for Parish.
2. Again assisted local food panbtry in food drive.
3. Donated candies for Annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Youth Activities:

1. Participated in Angel Tree Program.
Held Annual Free Throw Tournament.
3. Participated in Career Program for local school.
4. Members Mentors Parish Yoyth program.

Council Activies:

1. Held Annual Awards/Recognition Babquet.
2. Chose and honored a citizen of Year.
3. Selected and recognized seven community members for their citizenship.

Summary:

As the Grand Knight of this Council I can say that it has not met desired goals. We plan to redidicated ourselves to succed in the future.

Respectfully Submnitted: Claude Vinson.



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Knights of Columbus
ST. MARY GAUTIER COUNCIL, No. 9124
PO Box 246 Gautier, MS 39553

April 11, 2016

Grand Knight's Report
(2015-2016)

Worthy State Deputy,

During the 2015-2016 State Fraternal Year, 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 this past year are listed 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's
4. Participated in the Keep Christ in Christmas Program
5. Participation in the Life of the Parish
6. Participation in Lenten Stations of the Cross Program
7. Sponsored Friday Night Lenten Fish Dinners

Community Activities:

1. Church Ground and Facilities Cleanup and Repairs
2. Food Donations to Local Food Banks and Shelter Facilities
3. Participation in Annual Tootsie Roll Drive for the Mentally Challenged
4. Participation in Local Civic and Church Groups
5. Visited sick and elderly members

Council Activities:

1. Council Newsletter
2. Council Members participate in the District 1st Degree Initiation Teams
3. Conducted Council Socials
4. Conducted a Fall Membership Drive
5. Council Christmas Party
6. Conducted a Spring Membership Drive
7. Submitted KC Knight of the year Nomination

Family Activities:

1. Conducted Corporate Communion
2. Conducted a Local Family of the Month Program
3. Mass for Deceased Council Member
4. Submission of Council Family of the Year
5. Flowers for Mothers on Mother's Day
6. Prayer Cards for Fathers on Father's Day
7. Assisted Widows of Former Members

Youth Activities:

1. Financial Support to Local CYO Groups
2. Conducted Altar Server Training
3. Participation in various Community Youth Programs
4. Council Free Throw Tournament
5. Sponsored District Twelve Free Throw Tournament
6. Easter Egg Hunt
7. Graduating Senior Luncheon
8. Youth Scholarship Program

Pro-Life Activities:

1. Donated funds to local Pro-Life Organizations
2. Participated in Life Chain and March for Life Events
3. Conducted a Pro-Life Rosary Service at St. Mary
4. Hosted a Silver Rose Mass at St. Mary
5. Sponsored a Marian Hour of Prayer Service
6. Sponsored a Pro-Life program and fund raiser with the St Mary CYO to build and sell crosses for display in front of Church

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles (Rusty) Anderson

Charles R. Anderson, Grand Knight
Council 9124



Council 10216

St. Paul Brandon

End of the Year Council Report 2015-2016

Council Officers

Rev. Gerard Hurley – Pastor

Anthony Carpenter – Grand Knight
Michael Kimbrell – Treasurer
Glenn Ferreri – Warden
George Lafontaine – Recorder
Ed Mueller – Outside Guard
Dennis Antici – 2yr Trustee, PGK
Dan Cado – Financial Secretary

Chris Nix – Deputy GK
Jose Lopez – Chancellor
Dale Harris – Advocate
Bill McBride – Inside Guard
Kevin O'Donnell – 3yr Trustee, PGK
Rick LeBlanc – 1yr Trustee, PGK

Council 10216 had a great year living by the principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Our members proudly served our Pastor, Parish, and community by doing the things we as Catholic gentlemen should be doing. It is an honor to summarize this past year of service for such a great group of Knights.

Membership Due to the hard work of the membership director and our 1st Degree Team we added 16 new Brother Knights this year.

Programs

We had 8 or more activities in each category and I can't thank my directors enough. Here are a few:

Knight of the Month	Council Super Bowl Party	Mass of Remembrance Meal
Family of the Month	Toys for Tots Warehouse	Easter Egg Hunt Blood Drive
UltraSound donation	Confirmation Dinner	
Tootsie Roll Drive	Raspberry House	Seminarian Brunch Fund Raiser
Silver Rose	Parish Drawdown	Trunk or Treat Halloween Festival
Lenten Meals	St.Patricks Priest Dinner	

Charitable Contributions

We were blessed to be able to make the following donations:

\$2,500 to Bishop Gerow Fund \$500 to State Ultra Sound Fund \$1,000 to Pro-Life Memorial Fund
\$2,000 to Tootsie Roll Fund \$2,000 to Bill Boards Across America

Hopefully we can do more next year. It has been my honor to serve the fine gentlemen of council 10216 for the past 2 years.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Anthony Carpenter GK 10216

Msgr. Gregory Kennedy Council # 10499
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
John L Meadows, Grand Knight

As we complete our Twenty Fifth Year as a Council, it is my pleasure to acknowledge those who served as officers and chairmen and summarize the activities for the Fraternal Year. This report includes the Council Achievements and Activities from April 01, 2015 to March 31, 2016.

After the State Convention, the Council completed the last quarter of the 2014-15 Supreme Fraternal Year, the Council received the Columbian Award from Supreme for its Program Activities. The Membership and Insurance Quotas were not met due to Seventeen Members being suspended after several years of trying to save these members. This loss of Membership did affect this State Program Year's Membership Quota, also.

This Year, the Council Officers began to plan the new Fraternal Year with increased dedication. The concluding year's Membership and Program Activities were evaluated and updated on the schedule for the new year. At the June 05, 2015 Council Meeting, Officers were elected and the process of appointing the various Committee Chairmen began. The Membership and Program Directors began to meet with their committees to plan activities.

On August 8, 2015, the officers were duly installed by District Deputy, Joseph B Goellner, Sr. :

Chaplain -----	Deacon Martin Finnegin
Grand Knight -----	John L Meadows
Deputy Grand Knight -----	Irvin A. Pierce
Chancellor -----	Michael V. Thornburg
Financial Secretary -----	Robert J Frey
Warden -----	Alan Hall
Recorder -----	Ricky Cupps
Treasurer -----	Joseph McCormick
Advocate -----	Charles G. Miller
Inside Guard -----	Michael A Catchot
Outside Guard -----	Luke Brennan
Trustee 1yr-----	Gary M. Vaughn
Trustee 2yr -----	Joseph B Goellner, Sr
Trustee 3yr -----	Harry J Rucker

The following members served as Director or Chairman of the various committees:

Membership Director -----	Joseph B Goellner, Sr
Program Director -----	Irvin A Pierce
Church Activities -----	Harry J Rucker
Community Activities -----	Kerry S Roberts
Council Activities -----	Raymond E. Krystosek
Family Activities -----	Jon B Rivera
Youth Activities -----	Michael A Catchot
Culture of Life -----	Michael A. Butler
Vocation Activities -----	Robert J Frey
Public Relations -----	Ricky Cupps
Kitchen Activities -----	Michael V. Thornburg

A Summary of the Program Activities are as follows:

Church Activities:

1. Members participated in the life serving as Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, Parish Council, CCD Teachers and School Board.
2. Conducted Monthly Vocations Program Events
3. Participate in Supreme's Marian Hour of Prayer
4. Purchase Albs for new Deacon Candidates
5. Promoted Family Rosary/Prayer Time at home
6. Sponsored Keep Christ in Christmas Program
7. Conducted a Rosary Service for Adults during May and October.
8. Coordinated Project to Fund, Purchase, and Install new Stations of the Cross in Church
9. Conduct a Fish Fry on Ash Wednesday and donated net funds to the Parish
10. Promoted and Conducted Fish Fries on the Fridays of Lent for Seminarian Education Fund

Community Activities:

1. Sponsored a Re-Dedication of the Monument to the Unborn
2. Donated \$ 150.00 to the Mississippi Pro-Life Memorial Fund
3. Participated in Supremes A Day of the Unborn
4. Sponsored Blood Drive in Parish
5. Encouraged members to visit the sick and elderly at home and the hospital
6. Participated in a food and clothing drive to assist the needy
7. Several members serve in leadership roles as officers of local Civic Organizations
8. Sponsored Monthly Meals on First Fridays to promote social interaction of the Parish

Council Activities:

1. Conducted two Membership Drives and continued Membership Recruitment
2. Publish Monthly Council Newsletter
3. Celebrated Council's Twenty Fifth Anniversary with Special Activities
4. Held a Fraternal Benefits Information Program
5. Council Members participated on a Certified Degree Team
6. Held Fifth Tuesday Social Events for the members and guests
7. Conducted Memorial Service for Deceased Members
8. Recognized Knight of the Quarter and Knight of the Year
9. Financial Secretary serves as Electronic Reports Coordinator
10. Council Formed an Admissions Degree Team

Family Activities:

1. Sponsored Quarterly KC Family Corporate Communion
2. Participate in Supreme Family of the Month Program
3. Submitted Family of Year entry at State Convention
4. Assisted widows and families of deceased members
5. Sponsored a Family Crawfish Boil
6. Held a Christmas Family Social.
7. Held a Memorial Mass for Deceased Members Families
8. Collected One Hundred Thirty two Coats to assist needy Families
9. Held Family Pot Luck Dinner during National Family Week

Youth Activities:

1. Provide Age Appropriate Mass Missals for younger children to use at Mass
2. Cooked and served a Breakfast for Graduating Seniors and their Families
3. Conducted Program to recognize Alter Servers
4. Encouraged members to serve on Community Youth Program Committees
5. Participated in the local KC Freethrow Contest
6. Participated in Supreme's Essay Contest
7. Sponsored Youth Christmas Party
8. Assisted Youth to attend World Youth Day
9. Provided support for local Catholic School
10. Sponsored Youth to Boys State and Girls State

Culture of Life Activities :

1. Donated to the Ultrasound Program
2. Baby Bottle Fundraiser
3. Participated in March for Life
4. Lead Rosary Service for Culture of Life
5. Collected items for Local Pregnancy Center
6. Participated in the October Life Chain
7. Donated to State Council ProLife Fund
8. Maintain Council/Parish Monument to Unborn

A Summary of Membership Activities are as follows:

The Council conducted two Membership Drives in the Parish and encouraged Council Members to individually recruit Family Members and friends. The result of our recruiting yielded Three New Members, four Transfers, two Re-applications and three Prospect Applications. They should receive their degrees during the next quarter. The Council had a net decrease of twelve members due to First Quarter Suspensions. But, we added five new Members and five insurance members during the first part of the Supreme Program Year.

Conclusion:

The success of the Council, during the 2015-16 State Program Year, has been very rewarding and qualifies the council for a possible Star Council Award. In addition to the above activities, several other achievements should be noted. Communication with the membership was improved by a Monthly Newsletter using electronic communication. An E-Mail Address List was developed to transmit the Newsletter and other messages to reduce the distribution cost.

As I write this report, Membership and Program Plans have been scheduled for the last three months of the Fraternal Year and the results will be part of the report for the next State Year. The council should qualify for the Star Council Award at the end of the 2015 – 2016 Supreme Fraternal Year.

It has been an honor to serve as Grand Knight of Msgr. Gregory Kennedy Council # 10499 this year. A special thanks to the dedicated leadership of the Council Officers, Directors and Chairmen, who were assisted by an inspired membership, who provided the support to make it a successful year.

Respectfully submitted

John L Meadows, Grand Knight
Council # 10499

Knights of Columbus Mississippi Jurisdiction

Council 10901 Oxford, MS

2015-2016 Fraternal Year

Council Officers

Chaplain	Rev. Theodore Klingens
Grand Knight	Burke Nichols
Deputy Grand Knight	Andy Reynolds
Financial Secretary	Matt Zerangue
Chancellor	Jacob Eftink, PGK
Recorder	Buddy Seely
Treasurer	George Read, PGK
Advocate	Ron Rychlak
Warden	Ricky Berry
Inside Guard	Forrest Hinton
Outside Guard	Mathew Farrell
Membership Director	Tom Hinton
Trustees	Dennis Ott, PGK
	Basil Richmond, PGK
	James Reid, PGK

Committees:

Church	Basil Richmond PGK
Community	Joe Skinner
Family	Forrest Hinton
Council	Ricky Berry
Youth	Justin Nichols
Culture of Life	Eugene Bugelwitz

Program Activities

Church Activities: Basil Richmond PGK Chairman

- Held Lenten fish fries every Friday during Lent
- Gave money and support to a seminarian
- Donated money to the Christopher Fund, Bishop Gerow Fund and RSVP program
- Members of council serve on Parish's finance council, Parish council and liturgical ministry
- Members of council serve as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers during the Mass
- Members of council are active in our Parish's choir
- Participated in Supreme's Marian Hour of Prayer
- Held prayer service for the Silver Rose of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Organized and participated in Parish's Adoration service after Holy Thursday Mass
- Provided the twelve people to have their feet washed at Holy Thursday Mass
- Members were active in Parish's RCIA and Adult Faith Formation programs
- Prayed Rosary before every business meeting and early Sunday morning Masses

- Served as team leaders for Parish's *Why Catholic?* program
- Served dinner for Parish's *Why Catholic?* groups
- Organized and cooked at Parish's time and talent drive
- Served on the committee for Parish's Draw Down and Benefit
- Member led a Monday morning Men's Prayer Group
- Member led a Catholicism Study between the Sunday morning Masses
- Cooked meals between Masses to financially support various causes
- Provided donuts and beignets for Parish between the Sunday morning Masses
- Participated in Mission Mississippi Prayer service and breakfast
- Cooked for Parish's Baccalaureate Mass
- Cooked for Parish's Pentecost meal
- Sponsored dinner after Saint Thomas More Catholic Legal Society of Ole Miss' Red Mass
- Donated money to the building fund of Saint Luke's Parish in Bruce, Mississippi
- Participated in a Red Mass for government officials, lawyers and judges

Community Activities: Joe Skinner Chairman

- Participated in a Tootsie Roll drive
- Supported the Scott Center, the school for children with special needs
- Members of our council serve as leaders at the University of Mississippi
- Donated fish dinners to participants in Parish's blood drive
- Served food and spoke at local university's Catholic Student Association
- Members distributed the Eucharist to sick, shut-ins and elderly in the community
- Cooked spaghetti for local college students
- Participated in local more-than-a-meal program
- Members served as liaisons for the Vatican in the United Nations
- Donated and worked at the local Pantry
- Members were active in the Parish's Social Concern Committee
- Donated Thanksgiving dinners for low income families
- Cooked burgers for welcome dinner for Catholic students at the University of Mississippi
- Attended meetings to support the Catholic students at the University of Mississippi
- Donated money to the Clayton Stevens fund, a local fund for community assistance
- Participated in Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Program and donated coats to local schools
- Donated meals to local fire department
- Cooked fish dinners for a local retirement community
- Cooked fish dinners for local first responders celebration
- Members participate in Habitat for Humanity
- Tutored students at the University of Mississippi
- Visited local Veterans Home
- Participated in a local deer hunt fundraiser for children with special needs
- Supplied and cooked for fundraiser to support the Blair Batson Hospital in Jackson
- Began a PEACE Initiative program to assist elderly members of the Parish
- Member participated in the Mississippi Knights of Columbus Second Responders program
- Participated in the Disaster Response's clean-up project after the Holly Springs tornado

Family Activities: Forrest Hinton 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
- Gave \$1000 worth of Wal Mart gift cards to needy families during Advent
- Sponsored Corporate Communion quarterly
- Organized and worked a family social at Camp Hopewell
- Served Thanksgiving dinner for local college students and families of the Parish
- Honored the widows of our council with gift baskets for Christmas
- Led Rosary at the wake service of a deceased member of our council

Council Activities: Ricky Berry Chairman

- Our Council has a certified 1st Degree team
- Members are certified for parts on a 2nd and 3rd degree team members
- Hosted northern School of Columbianism
- Council officers served as mentors to our newly initiated Brother Knights
- Held council Christmas social
- 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 Church
- Held fish fries as a council fundraiser
- Maintains a council website and published a monthly newsletter
- Held quarterly council poker nights and football game socials
- Held quarterly socials including council hayride and townhouse parties
- Held a Columbus Day Social
- Held a deer hunt fundraiser

Youth Activities: Justin Nichols Chairman

- Members coached youth soccer, softball and basketball teams
- Member served as a leader in our Parish's Cub Scout troop
- Supported several local Boy Scouts in earning their Emblems of Faith and Porvuli Dei badges
- Gave Rosaries to the children of the Parish who were taking their First Communion
- Co-sponsored the sale of Keep Christ in Christmas cards as a youth fundraiser
- Honored Parish's Alter servers with Christmas card and free catfish dinner
- Members chaperoned a group from Parish to attend the Steubenville youth conference
- Participated in the "Coats for Kids" drive by provided coating for the students at Lafayette County Middle school
- Member helped with Parish's Vacation Bible School
- Sponsored Mardi Gras party to help fund the Parish's youth group trip to retreat in Missouri
- Cooked food for Parish's youth welcoming dinner
- Held a college scholarship program for one deserving male of our Parish

Culture of Life Activities: Eugene Bugelwitz Chairman

- Was a Prime Corporate Sponsor for community's pro-life dinner book
- Worked and led a community's pro-life dinner
- Attended community's pro-life dinner
- Visited and volunteered at community's pro-life center
- Donated to the Mississippi Knights of Columbus pro-life fund
- Held a series of Right to Life fundraiser breakfasts
- Held a barbecued chicken lunch to raise money for community's pro-life organization

- Member of council and wife serve on the community's Pro-Life board of directors
- Donated money to the Knights of Columbus "Ultrasound Initiative" program
- Prayed Rosary before a Mass and a business meeting with Culture of Life as the intention
- Participated in "Traveling Baby Basinette" program for local Pregnancy Test Center
- Members helped renovate a local Pregnancy Test Center
- Members helped renovate the local SaveALife Center

Respectfully Submitted, Burke Nichols Grand Knight Council 10901 Oxford Saint John's

Knights of Columbus
Fr Raphael Tonor Council #13471
Philadelphia, MS
Grand Knight's Report
Fraternal Year 2015-2016

Council Officers:

Chaplain	Father Augustine Palimattam
Grand Knight	Byron Tullos
Deputy Grand Knight	Doug Prosen
Chancellor	Charles Hunter
Financial Secretary	Cody Cotton
Treasurer	Joe Tullos
Recorder	Jason Holland
Advocate	Johnny Crenshaw
Warden	Howard Holland
Inside Guard	Michael Taylor
Outside Guard	Larry Veazey
Lecturer	Ken Barnhill
Trustee 1 year	Ron Dipalma
Trustee 2 year	Jerry Reynolds
Trustee 3 year	Ed Heidorn

I became the Grand Knight of this Council in March of 2015, after serving as Deputy Grand Knight under Grand Knight Larry Kovach. I have tried to continue to build upon the great work of our previous three Past Grand Knights since our council was reestablished from being an inactive and defunct council. Our council serves 5 parishes: Holy Cross, Philadelphia, Holy Rosary, Tucker, Sacred Heart, Louisville, Saint Therese, Choctaw, and Saint Catherine, Conehatta.

Last year we worked hard to achieve star council. This year it appears we may not make star council based on our membership and insurance goals. This however, does not mean that our council is not growing in many ways other than numbers. I know that we have a good group of about 14 guys that are always present and ready to help at a moment's notice. These same guys can be counted on to show

up at regular meetings constituting 25% of our entire roster. I am very proud of the hard work that they do.

This year we have incorporated a Worthy Lecturer in the Good of the Order and we are always edified by his words that help us grow in our Catholic faith. This always brings us into focus after a business meeting back to the spiritual aspect of our brotherhood. Our two newest members to the council this year show good signs of being active knights. Both knights were also younger than 21 which help to insure the future of this council.

As I continue as Grand Knight, I will strive to encourage catholic men to join this prestigious Order. I will strive to strengthen our current membership in faith hope and charity, and I will strive to help deepen our fraternal bond. I am confident that this council will continue on its path of success.

A summary of council activities for the year include:

Church

1. Participated in the life of the Church as ushers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, choir members, etc.
2. Donated \$200 to the Bishop Gerow Fund.
3. Participated in Supreme's Marian Hour of Prayer.
4. Held parish corporate communions.
5. Fed church with Fish Fry during lent.

Community

1. Collected food for the Holy Cross food pantry during 40 Cans for Lent food drive.
2. Participated in community leadership roles (rotary, boys and girls, elected offices, etc.).
3. Participated in Open Arms, a local ecumenical food ministry.
4. Held open forum at Church hall with Center for Pregnancy Choices.
5. Placed our events in local newspapers and diocesan paper.

Council

1. Conducted formative degree exemplification.
2. Continue the council website at kofc13471.org.
3. Hold a monthly officer's meeting each month to prepare for regular meeting.
4. Have socials providing supper prior to regular business meetings.
5. Donated \$100 to the Gary Sinese Fund.
6. Donated \$100 to the Christopher Fund
7. Participated in parish cleanup day in preparation for Easter.

Family

1. Held a family corporate communion

2. Cooked for families during the VBS in the summer.
3. Held the annual Knight's family social at the Neshoba County Fairgrounds
4. Sponsored a family for Christmas.
5. Cooked hamburgers for the annual Holy Cross family fun day at the park.

Culture of Life

1. Participated in the Silver Rose program
2. Held prolife Rosary.
3. Donated \$100 to the MS Pro-life Fund.
4. Held a Culture of Life Eucharistic Procession.

Youth

1. Participate in church youth activities.
2. Prepared meals for youth VBS program
3. Gave gift cards to graduating seniors and miraculous medals to First Holy Communicants
4. Helped sell food plates for the church youth.

Joseph Byron Tullos, GK
#13471



Knights of Columbus
St. Richard of Chichester
Council 15131

End of the Year Council Report

2015-2016

Council Officers

Rev. John Bohn- Pastor	Padre Juan Chavajay- Chaplain
David Fisher - Grand Knight	Robert Munroe - Deputy GK
Joe Parsons – Treasurer	Dr. Charles Caskey – Chancellor
Louis Clifford – Warden	Gary Owchar – Advocate
John Wren – Recorder	Raymond Spratley - Inside Guard
Chris Champagne - Outside Guard	John Curleey – 3-Yr Trustee
Andre DeGruy - 2-Yr Trustee, PGK	Dan Tueth- 1-Yr Trustee
Victor Gray-Lewis- Financial Secretary	

MEMBERSHIP: The Council began the year (April 1, 2015) with 83 members – 63 Associate and 18 Insurance. As of March 31, 2016, we have 91 members –64 Associate and 27 Insurance. We have had 3 members transfer in, and 1 waiting paperwork to be processed. There is also 1 member that was both transferred and re-instated. We have 1 candidate that has been accepted for membership and will be making his 1st Degree soon. We did hold a First Degree and hosted two 3rd Degree exemplifications

PROGRAMS: At the April 2015 Convention the Council contributed \$2500 to the Seminarian Bishop Gerow Fund

Also in April the Council sponsored tables at the Right to Life Banquet. Council was awarded the Star Council award

In May the Council recognized our Parish Scouts by purchasing the religious medals earned by the boys.

Also in May the Council held its first blood drive. 13 pints were donated

The council sent representatives to the Deacon Ordination of our RSVP Seminarian. We presented him with a KoC Deacon Stole at his reception.

Council had representation in the May 5K run sponsored by the Cardinal Club to raise funds STR school.

In June we held a First Degree Exemplification.

Held election of officers

Supplied food and cooked for the parish going away party of our Pastor, Fr. Mike O'Brien. The Council also presented him with a set of KoC vestments and a check for \$500.00

Assisted in supporting the new Pastor, John Bohn, move from Nebraska to Jackson through issuing a check for \$1000.00

GK Completed all the end of year reports due to Supreme on or before June 30.

In July the Council hosted a dinner and reception for Biking for Babies, a group of young people riding bicycles from New Orleans to Chicago to raise funds and awareness for the Culture of Life.

Helped host the Parish 4th of July community picnic. Did set-up, supplied food and cooking, assisted in clean up.

Council hosted the District Deputy July meeting. We provided room, audio/visual, and light snack.

Also in July the Council sent representatives to the School of Columbianism.

Council task force held a kickoff meeting with Pastor, Fr John, regarding the purchase of a permeant Pro Life monument. This was to establish what message Fr wanted to send to the parish and community

Council supplied truck and labor for a St Vincent DePaul July project

In August the Council held its installation of Officers as part of the Sunday Mass. Afterward the officers, Chaplin, spouses and friends met for breakfast. This was also a corporate communion gathering.

Also in August prepared and served a meal honoring our Altar Servers.

Held our 5th Sunday Rosary and incorporated a Corporate Communion

In September the Council conducted the Silver Rose ceremony. The ceremony began at the vigil Mass by having the rose processed in, staged on the Altar, and processed out to Foley Hall where Fr. John and Council team conducted the balance of the ceremony.

Also in September the Council cooked a lunch for about 45 Habitat for Humanity workers.

There was a follow up meeting from July regarding the Pro Life monument. Design concept was to be a variation on "Weeping Rachael", artist contacted and project intent was reviewed with her.

The Council supplied food and cooked for the September pool party held after the Youth Mass

In October the Council sponsored a “hole” in the annual Special Kid’s Golf Tournament

Final Pro Life monument mockup was reviewed and approved at the October meeting. The estimated cost will be approx. \$55,000.

STR was one of the host locations for the State wide Rosary conducted in honor of Our Lady of Fatima.

In November we hosted the Monsignor Glynn Vocations Brunch to honor our priests, religious and seminarians and raise funds and prayers for vocations

We also supported Squat and Gobble, a community fund raiser to provide services to the victims of domestic violence.

In December we conducted a Keep Christ in Christmas magnate and yard sign campaign and held our annual Council Christmas Party.

Also in December the Council sold approx. 130 Solidarity crosses after all Masses.

Provided food and cooked for the Pastor’s first annual New Year Eve tailgate party. Served over 100 people.

In January the Council hosted the State Mid-Winter Meeting

Also in January had a Rosary said at the bedside of a terminal Brother Knight who has subsequently passed.

In January conducted a going away dinner and party for our Chaplin. His transfer was delayed so we turned it into a welcome back party.

Completed and submitted all forms required in January.

In February the Council assisted the Boy Scout troop in preparing bar-b-q dinners for their annual fund raiser.

We provided bartenders for the St. Richard School annual fundraising Ball.

The Council made donations to the Military Chaplin Fund, and an ultrasound initiative.

Also in February the Council began its Lenten meal project providing dinners after Stations of the Cross. In addition they are running a raffle all proceeds to go to the Bishop Gerow fund.

The Council continued the Lenten meals in March..

The Council will host a 3rd Degree Exemplification the end of March, which will close out the year

Vivat Jesus, David Fisher, SK, GK

District Deputy Reports

Mississippi District #3

District Deputy Report

It has been my honor to work with the different councils in my district to learn more about their councils and how better to serve them. Their examples of faith to the Church continue to strengthen my own devotion to the Church and to the Knights of Columbus. I also want to thank the State Officers, especially outgoing State Deputy Jim McCraw and the other State Officers for their assistance and guidance this year.

I had the honor of installing Council Officers in Greenville, Cleveland, Leland and Granada.

During my visits to the different councils, I continue to be impressed with their dedication to the Church and the welcome they all extended to me and their plans to assist their parishes.

I was also witness on the efforts of the Grenada and Leland Councils in their efforts to assist their parishes with the transition to new pastors in their respective churches and the welcome they extended to their new pastors.

Respectively

Bernie Brown

Mississippi District 4

District Deputy Report

The second year of my term as district deputy has been a learning experience. I compare it to that of a second degree knight working his way toward third degree in our order. In this past year, I have witnessed and increased my personal commitment to the virtue of *Unity* in our order. It has been my honor and privilege to work with brother knights in the four councils that I humbly serve. Seeing the many projects performed in each of the six program areas has been rewarding to say the least.

As I prepare for my third year as district deputy, I look to increase my visits to all councils in an effort to better practice the virtue of *Fraternity* as does a worthy third degree knight. In that regard, I look forward to working with each council in our major new initiative of ***Building the Domestic Church While Strengthening Our Parishes.***

I thank each of the councils for their continued commitment to the parishes and communities they serve. I trust that you brought home from the 2016 convention new ideas for your projects in all program areas!

Respectfully submitted,

Danny Setaro
District Deputy #4



Year End Report

District 5



District 5 had a very active year. Three councils have met or exceeded their Supreme recruitment totals. One council has met the requirements for Double Star, and one for Star council. The third council needs one insurance member to meet their Star goal. Every council in the district has recruited at least one new member, and the district as a whole is only 6 members short of achieving Star District status. The district held 9 Initiation degrees, one formation degree and two knighting degrees during the fraternal year.

Most of the councils in the district have submitted at least one best program entry with 3 councils submitting multiple entries. Four of the five councils should receive awards for programs at the state convention. Three district wide meetings were held during the year with each council having at least one member in attendance. The district also hosted a member management training session and each council was represented there as well.

The District plans to continue at this pace to complete the Supreme Fraternal year and achieve Star District status.

Submitted respectfully,

Charles Hahn

District Deputy #5



DISTRICT 6

Mississippi Jurisdiction

2015 – 2016 State Convention Report

The first full year to serve as District Deputy of District 6 has been an honor and privilege. The four councils that make up District 6 are 9543-Madison, 8038-Pearl, 10216-Brandon and 11934-Gluckstadt. The effort and hours each of these councils put into charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism is amazing.

Both Madison and Brandon have Admission Degree (1st) teams and have scheduled monthly exemplifications. It is common that one of these degree teams exemplify the first degree for one of the others at their request. What an example of true fraternity. Madison has a Formation Degree (2nd) team and is available as needed.

As far as programs, each of these four councils keep a full calendar of events. The fact is that even though each council has their own style, the primary focus is always charity. Each Grand Knight has a great relationship with the parish Priest and is available to assist when needed. The way that each of these Knights put themselves last and their councils first is most impressive.

In review, Madison has had another outstanding year in programs. Grand Knight Marsalis keeps a full calendar with this group of men. Cooking is their expertise but I must say, they do it all. Brandon continues to grow in numbers and activities. Grand Knight Carpenter has instituted some new programs and constantly reaches out to Fr. Hurley for church projects. He is also mindful to give neighboring councils assistance when needed. Preston Williams, Grand Knight at Gluckstadt, has been confronted with many obstacles but has prepared that council for a great future with his steady hand. I expect St. Joe – Gluckstadt to be Star council the coming year. I can't say enough about Grand Knight Bob Ganz at St. Jude – Pearl. Bob has put a great team of officers together and is on track for Double Star. Fr. Jeffrey has really bought in and assisted this council in many areas.

District 6 currently holds 700 members and growing. I expect one Star Council and one Double Star council this year and Star Council in all four the coming year. One goal I have is to have a Formation Degree (2nd) quarterly.

In closing, thank you to all the members of these four councils for all their efforts and activities. I have been blessed to be appointed this position and appreciate each of the officers and members willingness to allow me to be a part of their organizations. These Knights understand the meaning of the Knights of Columbus and the record speaks for itself.

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis J Antici
District Deputy #6

District Deputy's Annual Report for State Convention 2016

District #8, Mississippi Jurisdiction

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1908~Bishop Fahey~East Hattiesburg
2180~John P Myers~Laurel
6592~Fr Malachy Burns~Bassfield
11654~Fr Paul Gillis~Wiggins
11904~St Lucy~Lucedale
15382~St Thomas Aquinas~West Hattiesburg

It has been a great year in District 8. I still feel both honored and humbled to work with and advise these great councils.

The two Councils in Hattiesburg have a large pool of men to recruit from with the USM campus. There is talk of Holy Rosary starting a Council as well as St Fabian in Lamar County. Both new councils would draw members mostly from St Thomas Aquinas.

The Laurel Council does not have a large base to work from, but are doing well while the remaining three councils are from rural communities and struggle to recruit new members.

Bassfield, Wiggins and Lucedale have new Pastors and new opportunities to help build The Domestic Church as our Supreme Knight has suggested. All of the district's councils are very active in their parishes and communities.

I am very proud to have become a part of each Council's Family of Brothers.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherwood Beckham, District Deputy 8

**District Deputy #9
Charles (Chuck) Heim
2014 – 2015 Report**

District #9 consists of 5 Councils plus 1 new Council

**Council 1522 Bay St. Louis, Grand Knight Paul Pitts
Council 6872 Picayune, Grand Knight Bryan Cassagne (2nd Half Year Only)
Council 9958 Lizana, Grand Knight Thomas Moran
Council 11995 West Harrison, Grand Knight Paul Minnaert/Richard Hazen
Council 7087 Kiln Mississippi, Grand Knight Gary Cuevas
Council 16433 Waveland Mississippi, Grand Knight Brent Woodfill
Council 12331 Sacred Heart – Dedeaux, Grand Knight Brian Adam (1st Half Year Only)**

District 9 seen lots of activity this year. As the District Deputy I started out with only 5 Councils in my district. At the Mid-year there was a transition of council responsibility and I lost Council 12331, and regained Council 6872. In addition, as the year went by, Bay St Louis's Round Table developed enough interest and activity to warrant the growth of a new Council in Waveland MS. Council 16433 was created with the majority of members transferring from Bay St Louis to the new St Clare Council 16433. New officers have been elected for both Council 1522 and Council 16433.

All but two (9958, and 16433) of the assigned councils in District 9 have active First Degree Teams and have conducted their own initiation, first degree, with their own teams and can conduct them on a regular basis. Council 1522 had their 2nd degree team activated and they conducted two formation degrees at the St Clare Church in Waveland.

At the beginning of the year a District Meeting was held at St Clare to provide training to the new officers within the district. Shortly after that scheduled training District 9 Sponsored a Financial Secretary Training to provide assistance to the newly assigned Financial Secretaries to ensure they were familiar with the Member Management System.

Membership for District 9 has increased by a net gain of 23 new associate Members and 6 new Insurance Members at the time of this report, and I anticipate several councils will make Star Council before the year end. The district is currently at 92% of the Membership Goal and 54% of the Insurance Goal for the Year. Last conversation with the insurance agent indicated there is a strong possibility that the district will achieve the goals set forth by supreme for this fraternal year.

Council 9958 became more active this year for the first time in many years. Their involvement with their parish has increased and they are now allowed to meet on the church grounds after many years of being somewhat restricted. I am proud of the number of meaningful programs activities they are now working on to make their council's presence known by assisting the parish with mowing and cleaning the church. Their council continues to provide support for the church and parish activities in order to assist the parish priest and present a positive impression of the Knights of Columbus on the parishioners. I look for growth to be slow but solid in this council during the upcoming years.

Council 1522 Bay St. Louis activated their Squires program two years ago but they have been somewhat inactive and I have heard of little or no grow in the circle during this last fraternal year. The council's leaders for the Knights on Bikes program and their representative for the MEMA Disaster Response team will become members of the newly formed council 16433.

Council 6872 has had a slow year on recruiting new members, and has only recruited one new member. However they have kept with their tradition for supporting important programs such as their breakfasts to support the Seminarian Priest and Religious education, the ultra sound initiative, which has recently culminated into a project where the Knights of Columbus has provided their city with one of the first ultra sound machines paid for by funds raised by the Knights of Columbus.

Council 11995 has had a banner year in recruitment and have already exceeded their membership requirements for Star Council. They have implemented several new projects, revitalizing their council with the weekly fish fry's held every Friday during Lent. Their Council continues to utilize their First Degree Team which certainly helps with the recruitment activities when necessary.

Council 12331 was having some difficulties early in the year and replaced their Financial Secretary with a previous and experienced Financial Secretary. The council lost their Tax Exempt Status and has been working to get their tax exempt status reinstated. Prior to the transfer of this council into District 13 the council had not held a first degree and they had not recruited any new members. Council 12331 certainly conducts projects that truly help members of the council and the parish who are sick or in distress. Their membership involvement shows true concern for their brother knights, always demonstrating the principles of charity unity and fraternity.

Council 7087 has always been a solid council. They sponsored a third degree ceremony for the Southern region. The degree was very successful and included 14 Candidates from 8 different councils and 3 different districts. This council continues to support projects that provide benefit the churches and community they support. The council is on track for Star Council which should easily be achieved. The only concern is they are behind on submitting their 990N but they are working with an individual to ensure they submit the proper documents to get their tax exempt status back so they can continue to file the short form for non-profits.

Most of the councils within my district have done a tremendous job turning in their required paperwork to the state and supreme. There have only been a few late submissions, and all of them have been caught up and submitted to keep their status current.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank State Deputy Jim McCraw and all the other members of the State Family for their support, in helping district 9 excel, especially with the creation of the newest council 16433 at St Clare in Waveland. Your confidence and leadership throughout the year is greatly appreciated.

VIVAT JESUS

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles J. Heim

Charles J Heim
District Deputy #9

April 1, 2016

Worthy State Deputy, State Officers, and My Brother Knights,

It has been an honor and a privilege to have served as District Deputy for District #10 this past five years. While extremely challenging years, the five years of service has been very gratifying. During these five years, all councils within the District maintained a status quo, with only one council (Council 4472) increasing its membership from the low eighties to over a hundred.. During the five year period, the councils within the District brought in over 70 new members.

The District scheduled monthly first-degree exemplifications during this fraternal year, and as a result, six exemplifications were held during the year. Hopefully, councils will increase their efforts to recruit new members for the upcoming fraternal years. The District also conducted three second degree exemplifications during this year.

All councils within the District council continued to provide outstanding services to their communities and church. Further, during the past five fraternal years, all councils in the District received some type of award from Supreme for all their good works.

On a personal note, I want to thank our Worthy State Deputy, and all the State Officers for giving me the opportunity and trusting me to serve as the District Deputy. I am also extremely grateful to the Grand Knights, Officers, and Members of District #10 for continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

RAUL (ROY) GAMEZ
District Deputy #10

District Deputy 13

As I am completing the last six months of my term of District Deputy I am better prepared to reflect on my shortened term. I had already served a four-year term as a District Deputy and knew what to expect. My (3) councils of Dedeaux 12331, Lumberton 7211 and Poplarville 15121 had shown promise of reaching their insurance and membership goals when I first was appointed to oversee these councils in January 2016.

Unfortunately, none of my councils met their insurance and membership goals.

Paperwork issues were a major problem which stymied overall progress as far as the state and supreme were concerned. In addition, each council was in the process of "clearing the rolls", as retention committees were contacting inactive members to see if they could become an active part of their council again. In many cases, the "old members" did not want to be involved anymore or in some cases could not find them at all.

On the other hand, I did enjoy getting to know the membership in Lumberton and Poplarville.

Dedeaux was my home council so I just worked with the members and leadership in a different capacity as DD.

All three councils have a lot going on as far as events that involve the membership and the parish. Ultimately these activities will translate into new members joining.

Going forward these councils can be successful and reach State KC and Supreme goals if they manage and turn in their paperwork in a timely manner; resolve their retention issues; and continue to recruit new members.

As members of the Knights of Columbus it is our duty to reach out to all Catholic gentlemen and invite them to join our Order and to experience the joy of being a Knight of Columbus.

Fraternally yours,

Bill Heath DD # 13

State Officer Reports

State Chaplain

State Deputy

State Secretary

State Treasurer

State Advocate

State Warden

Immediate Past State Deputy

District Master of the Fourth Degree

State Deputy Report

Jim McCraw

Your Excellencies, Reverend Fathers, Worthy Supreme Director Wills, Worthy State Officers, Worthy Past State Deputies, Delegates and my brother knights: Welcome to the 112th Annual State Meeting of the Mississippi Knights of Columbus in historic Natchez, Mississippi.

This has been an exciting year for the state in terms of what our councils have accomplished in each of the service program areas and in membership. We always recruit well bringing in good Catholic gentlemen but Retention has been a weakness. Not the case so far this year.

The changes implemented last year and more fraternal outreach at the council levels has put us on a very positive path. We may not attain 7,000 members this year but it will be a reality soon.

Ceremonials

Ceremonials has been a high point again. For the second year, the number of 2nd degrees has almost doubled prior years. What is significant about this is they are being hosted by smaller councils or in outlying areas and more often on a weeknight. This has been the case with 3rd Degree ceremonials as well. I believe the value of this is evident in the increased number of men who attain full knighthood in their first year.

It's been my pleasure to attend most of the 2nd degrees and all of the 3rd degrees this year. Setting 7pm as the standard start time with 6:30 for registration has helped the teams, councils and the candidates in planning these events.

To visually complement the beauty of the ceremonials in our Third Degree exemplifications, the state deputy as well as any past state deputy and District Deputies in attendance continue to wear his ceremonial robe. The impact of this in photographs is impressive.

Magnolia Knight

Each class is photographed with the team afterward and that is included in the monthly Magnolia Knight. This state e-newsletter has served us very well. There isn't enough laudatory words to express our appreciation to Jack Jennings for his creative efforts to publish a top quality issue each month. Our distribution included state deputies, Supreme officers, staff and board members, parish secretaries, priests in both diocese, ladies auxiliaries, both state and local, council officers, chairmen and anyone who signs up for it at www.kofc-ms.org. Our one unsolved mission is getting an e-copy to every member in the state.

The quality of the image is top notch but even more impressive is the tremendous number of submissions coming from councils, assemblies and auxiliaries. The late and very great Fred Middleton, who handled the Magnolia Knight for many years laid a solid foundation for us to build on. Quite a few councils would send this out in lieu of or in addition to their own newsletter. Many members would forward a copy to prospects or former members.

Facebook:

We recently launched our State Council Facebook page, thanks to my “trigger man”, Mike Kassouf. The State Officers and I had this in the planning stages for over a year trying to identify every possibility. One day it was just there. I checked with Mike to see if he knew how it could have happened. His response? “I’m sorry. I thought you meant for me to go ahead and do it”.

We understood the potential for getting our message out to a broader audience. Councils like 802 in Meridian were very effective examples of this. The State officers take pride in visiting various council Facebook pages and websites for content and good ideas.

Retention Resources/Leadership Training

Assisting councils locate members with bad addresses is something we tackled last year by subscribing to a “locator” software tool. After some evaluation, we opted to continue this service. We hoped at some point to allow the FS to use it to find missing or moved members and update the KofC database.

Leadership training was something council leaders were starving for. It was one of our top targets last year and has continued to attract good numbers. A side benefit is the opportunity for councils to host these events. It’s a big deal and always catches the eye of the pastor when he sees knights from all over his area coming to learn how to better serve their parish and membership.

MPC Joe Ramirez and State Training Coordinator Mike Kassouf were all over the place. I was also pleased to see so many of our DDs and state officers attend to support the program and stay connected with the membership.

Pastoral Support

In a word, unbelievable! From endorsing us from the pulpit to putting us up for the night, our priests are in solidarity with us. As we were evaluating small and mission parishes for roundtables, I was surprised to see how many councils were already doing the job. Anything their priest needed, they were there. The only thing missing was the paperwork. I suppose that’s more of a detail than a problem.

Disaster Response

This is another area where Mississippi stands tall in the Order. DR Director and PSD Jerry Schmuck is unquestionably the best. He has recruited Ed Marsalis, Mark Dye and Brent Woodfill as area coordinators. All got a workout this year between tornados in Holly Springs and flooding in the Delta. Jerry was able to arrange for a \$15,000 grant from the Gulf Coast Community Foundation to purchase computers, printers and equip each of his teams. Each is now able to roll into a disaster area as a second responder and establish a Volunteer Resource Center, track volunteers, abilities and resources. This is a critical role in the overall efficiency of a disaster response effort.

Our group, through Jerry, are active involved with Volunteer Mississippi, VOAD, MEMA and Catholic Charities. Nationwide, Mississippi is a model for other states.

New Council Development

For two years Waveland has advocated a new council apart from 1522 in Bay St. Louis. The leadership patiently worked this out the right way. All discussions were open for the membership. A priority was to insure 1522 would not fail due to a loss of key leaders. To address this, decisions were made for men who would remain to become officers. When the time came, it was questionable how things would work out but everything that could be done was done. Paul Pitts, became the first Grand Knight for the Waveland Council 16433.

The State Council spent time as did DD Chuck Heim working with Fr. Mike O'Connor, Deacon Eddie Renz and the men at 1522. Rather than struggle, they excelled. Men who had dropped out came back. GK Renz told us after a membership drive: "I'm amazed.. former knights and new men are coming to us". It was a great example of good planning, fraternity, unity and charity with a beautiful end result.

Roundtables

We are planning to report a record number of Roundtables this year. The push has been to establish a KC presence in each parish in the State. With the number of tornados the last two years, having a contact would be a tremendous help for our Disaster Response teams. The other benefit is to have a sustained parish relationship regardless of size or growth potential. It's about assisting the parish priest or religious contact in serving the needs of the parish. Think Marian Hour of Prayer icon services.

This is the part where I get to reflect back and thank some people who have helped me.

The Knights of Columbus who had kids in my class at St. Mary's and St. Joe in Jackson had a big influence on me. What I remember most is they made us feel safe and they made us do right. When my little sister Mary had a brain tumor and needed blood for her operation. It was the Knights of Columbus in our parish who came forward.

I will be the first to admit my youth was a little rowdy, maybe even rebellious. I wasn't asked to become a knight until 1982 by Fr. Peter Quinn. Actually he didn't invite me to join, he just said be at the parish hall Wednesday at 7pm. When I took my First degree I felt my life changing.

Throughout my KC career I've had good men take me under their wing. Quite a few became my uncles and godfathers. I mean that as a term of endearment and respect. Dan Farrell, Hank Kajdan, Tom Chady, Jesse Quinn, Dave Atteberry, Don Oldmixon, Ted Payment and Fred Cunningham. All took time to listen to me and teach me things.

The lessons and experiences I have had in the Knights of Columbus made me a better leader, a better manager and a better employee in my professional life.

I hope that I have had some influence on others as I have tried to pass on what I have learned just as others have done for me.

Some things I live by:

You can't undo what's done. Learn from it.

If you could change the past, you will certainly change your present.

There are times when no matter what you do, it won't be enough.

There may be no one else to step forward.

When the opportunity arises... make a difference.

No action is sometimes the best action.

The most essential action I can take is to thank my lovely wife Barbara for her support and encouragement through some occasionally challenging times.

Finally, I thank each of you for allowing me to serve as your State Deputy. It really is the best job in the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!

State Secretary Report

Your Excellencies, Worthy Supreme Rep, Worthy Past State Deputies, Fellow State Officers and My Brother Knights,

This has been a very productive year as I've served as your state secretary. I was not able to attend the membership training workshop in Dallas but Membership Director Mike Kassouf covered it and brought back much inspiration.

In August I represented Mississippi as one of your delegates to the Supreme Convention in Philadelphia Pa. Patty and I arrived Sunday before the start of the convention and were fortunate enough to take in many of the historic attractions of the city. These conventions are part of the "Experiences of a Lifetime" that we talk about as KC's. I would encourage any brother knight to try and attend at least one of these events. Like our own state convention, delegates and alternates are elected but any 3rd degree member may attend the business meetings and the States Dinner. On these trips, it is the State Secretary responsibility to choose and make reservations for the delegation's Wednesday night meal. This year I chose an Italian restaurant and the delegation seem to really enjoy the meal. It is a super experience and I thank the delegates for giving Patty and I the opportunity be involved.

When I reflect, on what I consider significant achievements for the administrative side of the state council, expanding how we use our state website is at the very top of my list. For a few years we have slowly replaced submitting paper reports with online submissions. This year we continued moving this effort forward.

All Per Capita Billing is now submitted electronically and I am proud to say that at the start of this convention there were no uncollected State Per Capita.

Degree Fees are now being billed electronically. These invoices serve a dual purpose. First, of course, is to notify councils of degree fee charges but secondly as a listing to the Financial Secretary of new 3rd degree Knights. Because we list the names of the candidates on the invoice, it give the FS a clear ledger of the Brother Knight receiving their Knighthood degree.

Convention delegates and alternates were reported through the website. Rather than mailing the same documents to the state deputy and state secretary. Council officers were able to enter the data and print your delegate credentials. The FS still has to sign and seal or notarize the credentials but there is no question if they were received by the State. We, on the state level, are able to use this data base to compare with convention registrations.

Necrology reporting is also done through the website now. The advantage with this is legibility of the names and a longer window to turn in unexpected deaths. This year we collected 97 names and the necrology file. Users also had the ability to view previous years. This option gave councils the advantage to add deceased Brothers to this year's roster that may have been missed in prior dedications.

Work obligations and family health issues hampered my state wide traveling a bit this year. One event that I was privileged to attend this year was the dedication of a new ultra sound machine in Picayune. This was the first device of this kind sponsored and mostly funded by Mississippi Knights of Columbus. It was a proud day for Picayune and a proud day for the Mississippi Jurisdiction.

As I close my year, I want to share with you the precept we as state officers try to follow "Leave your office better than you found it". It works well for you at the council and district level and it has worked well for us. I have tried, through the chairs, to automate the processes just a little and give the brother knight that follows a little easier job.

My brothers, again, I thank you for the opportunity to be of service to you and I look forward to serving you next year. While thinking about the year to come I became very apprehensive. Could I possibly live up to the Knights that came before me? I thought about the State Deputies that I have had the honor to serve under. Could I communicate and lead as well as they did?

Tom Chady – the ultimate southern gentleman that no one could say not to.

Rich Lieding – a bilingual educator

Larry Tabor – the commanding presence with that New Orleans brogue

Danny Lechner – a man that chew you out and still leave you laughing and circle of honor winner

Peter Sukanek – the always witty college professor

Jerry Schmuck – the never say die Seabee Master Chief

David Scott - the articulate lawyer

Jim McCraw – who's tongue is as silver as his hair and who never forgets a name

Then I remember what my old Cajun grandpa used to tell me. He'd say "Tee Noel, the good Lord don't give you noth'in you can't handle." With that we go forward.

Vivat Jesus!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Noel Aucoin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Noel Aucoin
State Secretary
Mississippi Jurisdiction

State Treasurers Report

2016 Convention

Brother Knights,

Thank you for allowing me to serve again as your State Treasurer for 2015-2016.

With your hard work, the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus had a very good year.

It is the Treasurers job to deposit State Funds, write checks for approved expenses and bills, and to keep an account of all of these transactions.

The State Jurisdiction is required to file a 990 with the IRS each year. I submitted this for the State. I sent it certified mail to have proof that it was submitted. We got the CPA report later than usual and I submitted the 990 form a few days late. I explained to the IRS why it was late, and they accepted it without penalty to the State Jurisdiction.

As a 501-C nonprofit organization, we have to file a report with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office each year and this was done on time and accepted by the Secretary of State's Office.

We are required by Supreme to have a CPA examine our books yearly. The CPA generates a report that is submitted to Supreme Secretary Charles E. Maurer Jr. We submitted it on time, and I received a letter from the Supreme Secretary documenting that we had complied for the year ending June 30, 2015. No exceptions were found by the CPA and our records are in good order.

The State purchased Quick Books Pro in 2011 while Jim was State Treasurer. Noel loaded the records on the program while he was

Treasurer and closed out the 2014 year on Quick Books Pro. I keep our financial records with this software and I generated a P&L report for April 1 2015 through March 31, 2016. A copy is attached to this report.

This is an overview; I have a more detailed report if anyone has any questions. I will be glad to show you the report and answer any questions. I also have a copy of the CPA report if anyone cares to look at it.

I have enjoyed working with my fellow Officers this past year. We work well together as a team. I have tried to get around the State as much as my schedule allows, and it has been a pleasure meeting with so many members.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Jabour

State Treasurer

Mississippi Jurisdiction

Knights of Columbus

Mississippi State Council Knight of Columbus
Profit & Loss
April 2015 through March 2016

	<u>Apr '15 - Mar 16</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
40000 · Total Income	
43000 · Earmarked Funds	
43100 · Liability Insurance	11,403.70
43200 · Bishop Gerow Fund	
43210 · Biloxi Diocese	22,043.00
43220 · Jackson Diocese	52,545.74
Total 43200 · Bishop Gerow Fund	74,588.74
43300 · MS Pro-life	
43310 · Biloxi Diocese	2,824.00
43320 · Jackson Diocese	3,620.43
43321 · Ultrasound Initiative Fund	
43321.1 · Ultrasound Fund - Car Tags	2,136.00
43321.2 · Ultrasound Fund - Councils	2,906.64
Total 43321 · Ultrasound Initiative Fund	5,042.64
Total 43300 · MS Pro-life	11,487.07
43500 · Christopher Fund	1,500.00
Total 43000 · Earmarked Funds	98,979.51
47200 · Operations Income	
47210 · Per Capita Dues	42,749.75
47220 · Bishop Rodi Disaster Relief Fund	
47220.1 · Bishop Rodi - Car Tag receipts	2,316.00
47220.2 · Bishop Rodi Disaster - Misc	50.00
Total 47220 · Bishop Rodi Disaster Relief Fund	2,366.00
47240 · Program Service Fees	-16.00
47250 · Degree Fees	2,267.70
47260 · Other Types of Income	
47261 · Miscellaneous Revenue	820.00
47262 · Membership Awards from Supreme	2,350.00
Total 47260 · Other Types of Income	3,170.00
Total 47200 · Operations Income	50,537.45
Total 40000 · Total Income	149,516.96
Total Income	149,516.96
Gross Profit	149,516.96
Expense	
60000 · Total Outgoing	
60500 · Operating Expenses	
61000 · Business Expenses	
61100 · Bank Service Charges	278.33
61200 · Business Registration Fees	52.25
61300 · Postage, Mailing Service	152.01
61400 · Printing and Copying	594.43
61402 · Supplies - computers, etc	120.54
61500 · Supplies	
61510 · Engravings & Embroideries	317.93
61520 · Degree Work Supplies	1,262.37
61530 · Membership Supplies	383.55
61540 · Youth Trophies and Awards	115.56
61500 · Supplies - Other	1,309.38

Mississippi State Council Knight of Columbus

Profit & Loss

April 2015 through March 2016

	<u>Apr '15 - Mar 16</u>
Total 61500 · Supplies	3,388.79
61600 · Contract Services	
61610 · Accounting Fees	1,669.70
Total 61600 · Contract Services	1,669.70
61700 · Communications	125.00
Total 61000 · Business Expenses	6,381.05
62000 · Travel and Meetings	
Supreme Convention Expenses	60.00
62100 · State Meetings	
62101 · State Officers Meetings	38.10
62102 · FS Training	1,055.73
62104 · Squire's Expenses	103.50
62110 · Misc. State Travel	594.83
62120 · State Organizational	2,446.03
62130 · Membership	524.37
62140 · Disaster Relief Chairman Travel	1,187.29
62160 · Installation of Officers Dinner	1,746.25
62100 · State Meetings - Other	24.00
Total 62100 · State Meetings	7,720.10
62108 · SOC & Midwinter Meetings	3,383.31
62200 · Travel Expense for Degrees	1,382.98
Total 62000 · Travel and Meetings	12,546.39
65010 · Books, Subscriptions, Reference	178.00
66000 · State Convention	
66100 · Mileage, Per Diem Lodging	27,879.38
66200 · Plaques & Awards	1,937.82
66300 · Printing & Misc. Supplies	887.08
66000 · State Convention - Other	578.68
Total 66000 · State Convention	31,282.96
Total 60500 · Operating Expenses	50,388.40
65000 · Earmarked Donations/Expenses	
65100 · Priest Education	
65102 · Priest Education - Biloxi Dioc	25,585.15
65104 · Priest Education - Jackson Dioc	62,095.74
Total 65100 · Priest Education	87,680.89
65170 · Christopher Fund	1,300.00
65220 · Pro Life Biloxi	2,785.50
65230 · Pro Life Jackson	5,245.24
65300 · Insurance - Liability	12,507.00
Total 65000 · Earmarked Donations/Expenses	109,518.63
70000 · Misc Donations	
72000 · Disaster Relief Donations	
Dues Disaster Relief VOAD	50.00
Total 72000 · Disaster Relief Donations	50.00
73000 · Misc Donations	111.25
Total 70000 · Misc Donations	161.25
Total 60000 · Total Outgoing	160,068.28
Total Expense	160,068.28
Net Ordinary Income	-10,551.32
Net Income	<u><u>-10,551.32</u></u>

State Advocate's Report –2015-2016

Ben Mokry

Reverend Father, Worthy Supreme Representatives, Worthy State Deputy, Worthy

State Officers, Worthy Past State Deputies and my dear brother Knights:

I was honored to attend Supreme training in Dallas that protection of the KC brand. This extended guidance on Home Corporations provided in 2014 and focused on matters that violated Knights of Columbus branding regarding the name and logo. The training also covered updates on Supreme requirements to attend protection of you training by Council Grand Knights and KC members who work with youth. Supreme has extended its relationship with the company that offers the Praesidium program for training for personnel who regularly work with youth.

Activities

June

- Provided information to Council on working with IRS to reinstate its tax exempt status

July

- Presented information on Supreme's guidance on Home Corporations, protecting the KC brand, and protection of youth at Schools of Columbianism.
- Provided information to several Councils and an Assembly at risk of losing tax exempt status for failing to file. Form 990 annually
- Reviewed a resolution to change the name of a council and provided comment.

August

- Provided information to District Deputy who is assisting a Council to regain its tax exempt status.
- Provided information to District Deputy who is assisting Council Home Corporation to sell its hall.
- Assisted State Deputy and State Chaplain working with Diocesan staff to make materials on Supreme program "Building the Domestic Church" available to priests for use in parishes.
- Assisted Council seeking to reestablish its tax exempt status with IRS.

September

- Provided information to DD working with Council Home corporation selling its hall.

October

- Assisted State Deputy regarding action by Council to rename itself.

January

- Assistance to Council regarding by-law change process

February

- Guidance to Council regarding electing delegates to state convention.

March

- At the request of the State Deputy, developed guidance to Councils about how to notify state officers and other Councils about a member who wishes to be nominated for state office.
- Developed ad for the 2016 Convention submitted on behalf of state officers.
- Developed guidance to a Council regarding options for handling possible donation of a piece of revenue-generating property for charitable purposes.

April

- Prepared resolutions to be submitted to the 2016 Convention
- Answered questions from two Councils about electing delegates to Convention.
- Facilitated a panel on social media at Convention.
- Researched question for State Deputy about the State Chaplain voting at Convention
- Facilitated Resolutions Committee at Convention

In closing, I wish to express thanks to all the State Officers for their support. There are many others—Past State Deputies, District Deputies, Grand Knights and council members who are an inspiration to me. My home council (8285 Jackson) has been extremely supportive and patient.

A very special thanks goes out to my wife Phyllis for her love and support.

Respectfully submitted

Vivat Jesus

Ben Mokry

State Advocate

State Warden Report

2015-2016

His Excellency Bishops, Reverend Fathers, Deacons, Supreme Representative and Officers and Members of the 112th Annual Meeting of the Mississippi State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Natchez, Mississippi on April 22nd thru April 24th . In compliance with section 9 of the by-laws of the Mississippi State Council, it is my pleasure, privilege, and honor to submit an annual report as your State Warden.

I have in my possession the equipment of the State Council and have used them at meetings and gatherings held by the Mississippi State Council.

To my fellow State Officers thank you for the support this past year. This year has been a yearlong learning experience and has been highly rewarding as a Knight of Columbus. This office has given me much more than I realized. To my Brother Knights of the State of Mississippi, I thank you for your support and for giving me the honor to serve you as your State Warden and pray that I have served you well. May God bless you and your families and the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!
Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Kassouf
State Warden

2016 Resolutions
Resolutions Committee Report
List of Resolutions

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
Of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION Number 1

Whereas,

The 2016 Convention Committee has been such an excellent host of the 112th Annual convention, and

Whereas,

The 2016 Convention Committee was Council 1034, Natchez, and

Whereas,

The officers, members, and their wives have arranged to host such an outstanding convention,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That the sincere appreciation of those in attendance be extended to the host council for the superior manner in which it discharged its responsibility.

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112h Annual State Convention
Of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION Number 2

Whereas,

Brother **Michael Wills** and his lovely wife, **Kathy**, have honored this State Convention with their presence, and

Whereas,

Brother **Wills**, a **Supreme Director of the Knights of Columbus**, and **Past State Deputy** of the Tennessee Jurisdiction, and

Whereas,

We, the delegates of the Mississippi State Council, realize that **Brother Wills'** 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 **Michael Wills** and his wife, **Kathy** and extends to them a cordial invitation to return to our Jurisdiction whenever they may find it possible to do so.

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
Of the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus**

RESOLUTION Number 3

Whereas,

Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio of Argentina was elected by the conclave of Cardinals as Supreme Pontiff, the first Pope ever selected from the Americas and

Whereas,

Cardinal Bergoglio assumed leadership of the Holy Catholic Church, March 13, 2013 as Pope Francis,

Whereas,

On December 13, 2015, Pope Francis celebrated forty-six years in the Priesthood,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved,

That the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus affirms its loyalty and allegiance to the Vicar of Christ, Pope Francis, and passionately prays for his continued good health and continued guidance to the Holy Catholic Church.

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION Number 4

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 14,000 Councils and 1.8 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:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION No. 5

Whereas

William Houck, was ordained into the Priesthood by Bishop Thomas J. Toolen on May 19, 1951, at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Mobile, Alabama, and

Whereas

Bishop Houck was a parish priest, serving in the Diocese of Mobile in parishes including St. Francis Xavier Parish in Birmingham, and

Whereas

Bishop Houck was a lifelong educator, receiving a master's degree from Catholic University of America, and holding teaching and school administrative positions in Pensacola, Florida and Birmingham, Alabama, including secretary for education, and superintendent, in Birmingham, and

Whereas

On May 27, 1979, Pope John Paul II ordained William Houck into the sacred order of bishops and assigned him as Auxiliary Bishop in the Diocese of Jackson, Mississippi, and

Whereas

Bishop Houck was installed as the ninth bishop of the Diocese of Jackson on June 5, 1984, and

Whereas

Bishop Houck was a steadfast and enthusiastic supporter of the work of the Knights of Columbus of the Mississippi Jurisdiction,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved

The Knights of Columbus, assembled as delegates to this 112th Convention of the Mississippi Jurisdiction, celebrate Bishop Houck's entry to the arms of our Lord upon his death on March 9, 2016, after 44 years and 10 months of faithful service to the Church, and

Be It Further Resolved

The Knights of Columbus of Mississippi pledge to remain faithful to the memory and outstanding model of Christian life exhibited by Bishop William Houck and ask that the Lord bless our work on behalf of Bishop Houck's beloved Church and people.

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION Number 8

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Annual Handicap Bowling Tournament was authorized by resolution at the 111th State Convention held in Biloxi, and

Whereas,

Members from throughout the Jurisdiction participated in the tournament, and

Whereas,

It is the express desire by vote of the participants to hold this activity again during the 2016 - 2017 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 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:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION Number 9

Whereas,

The Mississippi Knights of Columbus Thomas F. Chady Annual Golf Tournament was authorized by resolution at the 111th State Convention held in Biloxi, and

Whereas,

Members from throughout the Jurisdiction participated in the tournament, and

Whereas,

It is the express desire by vote of the participants to hold this activity again during the 2016 – 2017 fraternal year,

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved

That the Mississippi State Council sponsor at no expense to itself, the official Annual Thomas F. Chady Memorial State Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament for its membership. The tournament should be held at an opportune time each year; the 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 ensuing State Convention, and,

Be It Further Resolved,

That the Mississippi State Council present 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. A traveling plaque to recognize the annual first place team and their home council which will then be displayed at the Vicksburg Council after the official presentation at the State Convention, and

Be It Further Resolved,

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,

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
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Resolution Number 10

Whereas,

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

Whereas,

Expenses for the State Membership Director, State Program Director and the six State Program Chairmen and those members deemed appropriate by the State Officers are determined by resolution at each State Council meeting for the ensuing annual meeting

Now Therefore Be It Resolved

That pursuant to Article IV, of the Mississippi State Council By-Laws, per diem expenses for the Delegates, State Officers, and District Deputies to the State Council Meeting are hereby set and established to be paid at the rate of \$75.00 per day for two days for those individuals staying in the designated hotel or attending both convention banquets. And they will be paid mileage at the rate of \$0.30 per mile one-way, 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, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That, per diem expenses for the State Membership Director, State Program Director, the six Service Program Directors and those members deemed appropriate by the State Officers to the State Council Meeting are hereby set and established to be paid at the rate of \$75.00 per day for two days for those individuals staying in the designated hotel or attending both convention banquets. And they will be paid mileage at the rate of \$0.30 per mile one-way, and

Be It Further Resolved,

That should the hotel cost for the State Council Meeting exceed \$140.00 per night before taxes and fees, the State Council Officers, may approve an additional \$25.00 per diem for two days for all attendees who are entitled to a per diem and who stayed in the approved hotel.

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted by: Philip Jabour, State Treasurer

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION No. 11

Whereas,

The Semi-annual Council Audit of the accounts of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer is one of the most important responsibilities carried out by the council audit committee, which consists of the grand knight and the board of trustees, and

Whereas,

The Council audit committee uses Form 1295 to report the results of each audit to the Council, District Deputy, State Deputy and Supreme Council, and

Whereas,

The Council is required to file an annual 990 tax report by a specific date based on its fiscal year, to remain eligible under the Supreme federal income tax exemption umbrella, and

Whereas,

The process to reinstate a Council's non-profit status is both complicated and expensive and requires staff support from the Supreme Council in assisting Councils in this task, and

Whereas

The Supreme Council does not currently gather information directly from Councils that the 990 tax report is filed timely,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved,

The Mississippi Jurisdiction requests that the Supreme Council modify the Form 1295, creating fields to accept the council EIN and date the most recent IRS Form 990 was submitted.

Be It Further Resolved,

That these same revisions be made to the Annual Assembly Audit Form 1315.

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

**Resolutions to the Delegates of the 112th Annual State Convention
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RESOLUTION Number 13

Whereas,

The Mississippi Legislature created a specialty car tag promoting the Mississippi Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus, with proceeds from the sales of such car tags going to the treasury of the State Council, and

Whereas,

The use of the proceeds from the sales of such car tags should be decided by resolution at the State Convention,

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved

That the proceeds received by the State Council from the sale of the Knights of Columbus specialty car tags during the 2016-2017 fraternal year shall be distributed as follows:

50% to the Archbishop Rodi Disaster Relief Fund

50% to the Mississippi Pro-Life Ultrasound Fund

Be It Further Resolved,

That each member of the Knights of Columbus in the Mississippi Jurisdiction is encouraged to support the above listed causes and to promote the Knights of Columbus by purchasing a Knights of Columbus specialty car tag.

Recommendation:

Action:

Submitted by: State Officers

112th Convention Minutes

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Mississippi State Council
112th Annual State Meeting
21, 22, 23 & 24 April 2016
Natchez, Mississippi
Meeting Minutes

- Thursday 21 April
 - 6:30 pm – Reception held for State Officers, District Deputies, Directors, Chairmen and Supreme Representative
- Friday 22 April
 - 9:30 am – State Officer Meeting
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw opened with a prayer and District Master, Bill O'Connor followed with the Pledge of Allegiance
 - Supreme Representative, Mike Mills distributed his speeches for review
 - State Warden, Mike Kassouf
 - Review the procession & seating arrangement for Sunday mass
 - Went over Convention Issues
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw
 - Reviewed Bishop Morin's speech
 - He will address the house bill on forcing religious entities to pay for health care against their beliefs
 - House Bill was discussed and what next course of action would be if 50% of the vote was not reached
 - Net/net was discussed, we are at 87%
 - Retention Procedures were reviewed
 - 115 new members needed to reach our Circle of Honor Goal
 - Star Council status, Statewide, was discussed
 - Bishop Houck, Priest Retirement Fund Discussion
 - 80% of the fund will be split between the Biloxi and Jackson Dioceses
 - 20% to be sent to the National retirement fund
 - Meeting was closed by prayer
 - 5:30 pm Opening Business Session
 - State Chaplain, Mgrs. Elvin Sunds opened with a Prayer
 - State Master, Bill O'Connor lead the Pledge of Allegiance
 - Opening Ode lead by State Secretary, Noel Aucoin & State Advocate, Ben Mokry
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw greeted the assembly and promised a short session
 - A motion to suspend the reading of the previous convention minutes was proposed by Wayne Ebelhar, 2134 and seconded by John Piazza, 898. Motion Carried

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- State Secretary, Noel Aucoin Excepted Grand Knight reports
- State Advocate, Ben Mokry passed out the resolutions
- State Secretary, Noel Aucoin, distributed committee assignments
- State Deputy, Jim McCraw went to floor for announcements
 - Chairman, Don Cox reminded the assembly about Bishop Gerow Fund checks
 - Chairman, Tom Zettler, PSD announced that he had McGivney Guild applications
 - Program Director, Guy Heying, asked for a quick meeting with the Committee Chairmen
- State Deputy, Jim McCraw entertained a motion from Carl Brochard, 5654 to close the meeting and it was seconded by Jeff Riopelle, 9094. Motion carried
- Closing prayer was offered by State Chaplain, Mgsr Sunds
- Closing Ode lead by Jody Knight, Field Agent
- Saturday 23 April
 - 1:00 pm
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw called the meeting to order at 1:03pm
 - State Chaplain, Mgsr. Elvin Sunds lead the opeing prayer
 - Auxiliary State Chaplain, Fr. Bob Higginbotham lead the Opening Ode
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw outlined Supreme's program Building the Domestic Church
 - Bishop Kopacz addressed the assembly on:
 - Commitment of the Knights
 - Building the Domestic Church
 - Pope Francis' exhortation on the family, given on St. Joseph's Day and his commitment to family life
 - State Chaplain, Elvin Sunds gave his report
 - He commended the Knights on their commitment to the local Priest
 - He highlight the following efforts:
 - Silver Rose Program
 - Holy Family Hour of Prayer Program
 - Building the Domestic Church effort
 - He suggested better promotion on these programs
 - He thanked the assembly for:
 - Their presence in the Parishes
 - Support of Vocations
 - All we do
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw gave his report
 - He thanked State Warden Mike Kassouf for his training efforts

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- Reviewed Webinar Training offered by Supreme
- Reviewed the Building the Domestic Church program given by Gary Nolan
- Outlined the number of degrees performed in the State so far
 - 82 Admissions degrees
 - 19 Formation degrees
 - 13 Knighthood degrees
- Emphasized each District having a 2nd degree team and commented on the teams in:
 - Biloxi
 - Pass Christian
 - Greenville
 - Starkville
 - Madison
 - Olive Branch
- Spoke extensively on Fraternalism
- Stated the Councils reporting 8 or more activities were up by 65%
- He thanked State Warden/State Membership Dir., Mike Kassouf for his relentless pursuit of the Supreme membership numbers
- He closed by thanking everyone for their support
- State Secretary, Noel Aucoin gave his report
 - Reviewed the Supreme Convention
 - Reflected on the following achievements
 - Expansion of the State Website
 - Electronic Delegate registration
 - Necrology reporting
 - Electronic submittal of Per Capita Billing
 - Electronic billing of degree fees
 - He thanked the assembly for giving him the opportunity to serve and especially thanked all the Past State Deputies that he had the pleasure to serve under
- State Treasure, Philip Jabour's report included:
 - An outline of the State Treasurer's duties
 - Thanks to all the State Officers for their help
 - Review of the Income Statement covering:
 - Insurance cost
 - Bishop Gerow funds
 - Ultra sound fund

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- Christopher fund
 - Disaster relief fund
 - Per Capita Dues
 - Car tag revenue
 - Degree fees
- Review of the major expenses including:
 - State Convention cost
 - Mileage & per diem cost
 - Awards cost
 - Printing cost
- State Advocate, Ben Mokry's report consisted of:
 - Explanation of State Advocate duties
 - An outline of the year's highlights
 - A review of his trip to Dallas including training on:
 - Protection of youth
 - Home corporation liability
 - IRS filing
 - A review of the Supreme Convention and the emotional plea from the Bishops of the Middle East.
- State Warden, Mike Kassouf thank everyone for their support and promised written reports on:
 - Retention
 - Silver Rose Program
 - Training Programs
- Immediate Past State Deputy, David Scott gave an emotional thank you speech to the assembly for allowing him to serve for the number of years he has been involved with the State Family.
- General Agent, John Stice's report consisted of:
 - Greeting to the assembly
 - Talks on Fr. McGivney and the Domestic Church
 - Introduction of the Mississippi Field Agents
 - Announced that Field Agent, Benji Borelli was awarded a trip to Hawaii for Agent of the Year
 - Gave top council insurance statistics
- District Master, Bill O'Connor gave report that included
 - An update on membership numbers
 - Welcomed new Assembly 3625 to the District
 - Introduced the new Star Assembly Award

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- Announced the nominees for District Master
- Explained the importance of conformity when dressing out for the Honor and Color Guards
- Stressed the importance of voting
 - 4th degree members have an obligation to urge people to vote
 - Freedom of worship is being challenged
- Acknowledged that this his last time to speak as Master and thanked everyone for their support.
- He was greeted with a standing ovation
- Supreme Representative, Mike Mills addressed the assembly and stated he would hold his comments until tomorrow's session. He did, however, present a check, from Supreme, to newly form Council 16433, for seed money.
- State Deputy, Jim McCraw, closed the meeting
- Closing Prayer was said by State Chaplain, Mgsr. Sunds
- Closing ode was led by Auxiliary State Chaplain, Fr. Bob Higginbotham
- Sunday 24 April
 - 11:00 am
 - Meeting was called to order at 11:03 am
 - Open Prayer was led by Auxiliary State Chaplain, Fr. Bob Higginbotham
 - District Master, Bill O'Connor led the Pledge of Allegiance
 - Supreme Representative, Mike Mills was introduced for his comments which consisted of:
 - An outline of the changes to
 - Officer Installations
 - 2nd degree ceremonials
 - The importance of the Youth Protection Program
 - The importance of assisting in as many ways possible and leading where necessary
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw thank Supreme Representative Mike Mills for his remarks and invited him back to Mississippi in the future.
 - State Advocate, Ben Mokry read the 2015-2016 State Resolutions, the committee recommendations and invited any comments from the floor. There were no changes or revisions to the committee recommendations.
 - State Deputy, Jim McCraw installed election tellers consisting of Past State Deputies:
 - Tom Zettler
 - Dave Atterberry
 - Danny Lechner
 - SD, McCraw opened the floor to nominations for:

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- State Deputy
 - Noel Aucoin
 - Nominated by – PSD, Larry Tabor, 9673
 - Seconded by – PSD Peter Sukanek, 10901
 - No other nomination – 1 vote cast
- State Secretary
 - Philip Jabour
 - Nominated by – Wayne Ebelhar, 2134
 - Seconded by – Paul Arguellas, 1244
 - No other nomination – 1 vote cast
- State Treasurer
 - Ben Mokry
 - Nominated by – William Addie, 8285
 - Seconded by – Jim Rigby, 9409
 - No other nomination – 1 vote cast
- State Advocate
 - Mike Kassouf
 - Nominated by – Wayne Ebelhar, 2134
 - Seconded by – Walt Miller, 9673
 - No other nomination – 1 vote cast
- State Warden
 - Guy Heying
 - Nominated by – Dave Fischer, 15131
 - Seconded by – Ted Lander, 7120
 - O.D. Landrum
 - Nominated by – Frank Holifield, 15382
 - Seconded by – Joe McQueen, 7211
 - Bob Leo
 - Nominated by – David Viger, 802
 - Seconded by – Tomasz Haupt, 6765
 - Raul (Roy) Gamez
 - Nominated by – Patrick Veltman, 4472
 - Seconded by – Thomas Moran, 9958
 - No other nominations
 - Nominations Closed
 - Motion made by Richard Hazen, 11995
 - Seconded by Bill Jarrett, 1908
 - Total voting – 107
 - 1st Ballot

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 - Gamez – 54
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 - 1 invalid ballot
 - Decision made in favor of Gamez
- Insurance Delegate to the Supreme Convention
 - Philip Jabour
 - Nominated by – Anthony Carpenter, 10216
 - Seconded by – Ed Marcalis, 9543
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 - Seconded by – Thomas Moran, 9958
 - Bob Leo
 - Nominated by – Joe Furlan, 9124
 - Seconded by – Patrick Carter, 802
 - Nominations Closed
 - Motion made by Carl Brochard, 5654
 - Seconded by Daniel Miller, 1034
 - Total Voting 107
 - Jabour – 62
 - Landrum – 23
 - Leo – 21
 - 1 invalid ballot
 - Jabour declared the winner
- Associate Delegates to the Supreme Convention (top 2 vote getters)
 - Denny Fink
 - Nominated by – John Chiumento, 14051
 - Seconded by – Ted Lander, 7120
 - Guy Heying
 - Nominated by – Craig Harrell, 7854
 - Seconded by – David Fischer, 15131
 - Ben Mokry
 - Nominated by – Ted Lander, 7120
 - Seconded by – Joe Jones, 11934
 - Nominations Closed

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- Motion made by Wayne Ebelhar, 2134
 - Seconded by Carl Brochard, 5654
 - Total voting 107, 2 vote per ballot (highest 2 totals win)
 - Mokry – 91
 - Heying – 86
 - Fink – 21
 - 4 invalid ballots
 - Mokry & Heying declared the winners
- Insurance Delegate Alternates to the Supreme Convention (3)
 - Lonnie Treadaway
 - Nominated by – Craig Harrell, 7854
 - Seconded by – Guy Mandolini, 2134
 - Bob Leo
 - Nominated by – David Vigar, 802
 - Seconded by – John Piazza, 898
 - Wayne Ebelhar
 - Nominated by – Roy Gamez, 4472
 - Seconded by – David Fischer, 15131
 - Nominations Closed
 - Motion made by Nick Martino, 9094
 - Seconded by Bryan Cassagne, 6872
 - One vote cast each for Treadaway, Leo & Ebelhar
- Associate Delegate Alternates to the Supreme Convention (2)
 - Denny Fink
 - Nominated by – Ted Lander, 7120
 - Seconded by – Otha Jones, 14051
 - Gary Cuevas
 - Nominated by – Bryan Cassagne, 6872
 - Seconded by – Marvin Ladhier, 7211
 - Nominations Closed
 - Motion made by Greg Eleuterius, 1244
 - Seconded by Charlie Harrington, 6592
 - One vote cast each for Fink & Cuevas
- 2019 Convention Site
 - Jackson
 - Nominated by – Noel Machost, 848
 - Seconded by – Thomas Moran, 9958
 - No other nominations
 - Nominations Closed

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- Motion made by Gary Cuevas, 7078
- Seconded by Gerald Antici – 2969
- State Deputy, Jim McCraw thanked the Convention Committee for an excellent event and the delegates for their cooperation.
- Auxiliary State Chaplain Fr. Bob Higginbotham closed the meeting with a Prayer.
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2016 Necrology



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Year	Council	Name	Title	Submitted By
2016	802	Patrick R Smith	Father/Rev	George Walston
2016	802	Fred I Bunty	N/A	George Walston
2016	848	JJ Bedford	Member	Charles Sims
2016	848	Calvin C Moore	Member	Charles Sims
2016	848	William Houck	Bishop Jackson Diocese	Charles Sims
2016	1034	RUDOLPH KRUEGER		RON BRUMFIELD
2016	1244	Edward Schlaffke		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Gregory "Greg" Nolte III		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Donald D. Coggin		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Walter Thibodeaux		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Richard "Ricky" Moore		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Arthur "Ray" Bodin, Sr.		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Floyd S. Burton, Sr.		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Henry "Albert" Llado, Jr.		Jerry Rose
2016	1244	Jack V. Pickich, Jr.		Jerry Rose
2016	1522	Kenneth Atrigues		Luke Sciannaa
2016	1605	James Frew		Steve Frederic, Sr.
2016	1605	Milton Bishop		Steve Frederic, Sr.
2016	1605	Daviv Huy, Sr.		Steve Frederic, Sr.
2016	1908	John Patrick Curley		William Jarrett
2016	1908	Neal McCloud		William Jarrett
2016	1908	Charles Wayne Malone		William Jarrett
2016	1908	Edward Elroy Jones Sr.		William Jarrett
2016	1908	Robert King		William Jarrett
2016	1908	Gary S. Smith		William Jarrett
2016	2134	Tina Welch		Richard Clark
2016	4472	Edgar Menard Jr.		Greg Niolet
2016	4472	Charles Payment		Greg Niolet
2016	4472	Joseph Scardino		Greg Niolet
2016	4472	Thaddeus Searles	Reverend	Greg Niolet
2016	4898	Salvadore F Giuffria		Ben DiLorenzo
2016	4898	Michael W Morgan	GK	Ben DiLorenzo
2016	5556	David Work		Brady Pate
2016	5654	Kenneth Swanson		Pat Mitchell
2016	5654	Eldon Cazabon		Pat Mitchell
2016	5654	Nolly Dubose		Pat Mitchell
2016	5654	Glen Skelton		Pat Mitchell
2016	5654	Jack Lee		Pat Mitchell
2016	6765	Richard Vasek		Michael Kassouf
2016	6765	Benton Vizzier		Michael Kassouf
2016	6765	Wayne	Evrard	Micharel Kassouf
2016	6765	Wayne Evrard		Mike Kassouf
2016	6872	Ralph S.Ferranto		Bryan Cassagne



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2016	6872	Benedict S. Gremillion		Bryan Cassagne
2016	7087	Richard Cambre		Richard Hoda
2016	7087	Dewey V. Hoda Jr.		Richard Hoda
2016	7211	CHARLES (DOUG) BOUNDS	GK,FS	MARVIN LADNER
2016	7915	Arthur E Spratley		Aaron Achord
2016	8912	Frank Olivero	GK., Sec. Gm	Frenk Oliverio
2016	9094	John G. Radich Sr.		John Poelma
2016	9094	Raymond F. Vallimont		John Poelma
2016	9124	John Albano	GK and FN	Robert Barr
2016	9124	Leo Borosky	GK and FN	Robert Barr
2016	9124	Margaret Borosky	Wife	Robert Barr
2016	9124	Eugene Bradt	Member	Robert Barr
2016	9124	Ray Vecchio	3rd & 4th Degree	Robert Barr
2016	9124	Duwane Webber	3rd & 4th Degree	Robert Barr
2016	9409	Stephen F. Farry	PGK, FFS, PFN	Jim Rigby
2016	9409	Edward C. Crouse	Member	Jim Rigby
2016	9958	PAUL R. MCGILL		THOMAS MORAN
2016	9958	HERBERT W. HOLDER		THOMAS MORAN
2016	10216	Ronald L. Barry		Anthony Carpenter
2016	10216	Todd G. Nick		Anthony Carpenter
2016	10443	Fr Martin "Mattie" Ruane	Reverend, Chaplain	Buddy Honeycutt
2016	10443	Edwin H. Merriman, Sr.		Buddy Honeycutt
2016	11541	Leonard Collins		Don Schiffner
2016	11995	Jesse G Parker		David Hebert
2016	11995	Eugene Niolet		David Hebert
2016	12331	Joel Lafferty	PFS	Bill Heath
2016	12331	Steve Mayes	Member	Bill Heath
2016	13502	Patty Carter	Ladies Auxiliary	Pascual Cruz
2016	15131	Roy McMillian		David Fisher
2016	15155	SEAN MCCUSKER		SCOTT JOHNSON

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 - Seconded by Daniel Miller, 1034
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 - Jabour – 62
 - Landrum – 23
 - Leo – 21
 - 1 invalid ballot
 - Jabour declared the winner
- Associate Delegates to the Supreme Convention (top 2 vote getters)
 - Denny Fink
 - Nominated by – John Chiumento, 14051
 - Seconded by – Ted Lander, 7120
 - Guy Heying
 - Nominated by – Craig Harrell, 7854
 - Seconded by – David Fischer, 15131
 - Ben Mokry
 - Nominated by – Ted Lander, 7120
 - Seconded by – Joe Jones, 11934
 - Nominations Closed

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- Motion made by Wayne Ebelhar, 2134
 - Seconded by Carl Brochard, 5654
 - Total voting 107, 2 vote per ballot (highest 2 totals win)
 - Mokry – 91
 - Heying – 86
 - Fink – 21
 - 4 invalid ballots
 - Mokry & Heying declared the winners
- Insurance Delegate Alternates to the Supreme Convention (3)
 - Lonnie Treadaway
 - Nominated by – Craig Harrell, 7854
 - Seconded by – Guy Mandolini, 2134
 - Bob Leo
 - Nominated by – David Vigar, 802
 - Seconded by – John Piazza, 898
 - Wayne Ebelhar
 - Nominated by – Roy Gamez, 4472
 - Seconded by – David Fischer, 15131
 - Nominations Closed
 - Motion made by Nick Martino, 9094
 - Seconded by Bryan Cassagne, 6872
 - One vote cast each for Treadaway, Leo & Ebelhar
- Associate Delegate Alternates to the Supreme Convention (2)
 - Denny Fink
 - Nominated by – Ted Lander, 7120
 - Seconded by – Otha Jones, 14051
 - Gary Cuevas
 - Nominated by – Bryan Cassagne, 6872
 - Seconded by – Marvin Ladhier, 7211
 - Nominations Closed
 - Motion made by Greg Eleuterius, 1244
 - Seconded by Charlie Harrington, 6592
 - One vote cast each for Fink & Cuevas
- 2019 Convention Site
 - Jackson
 - Nominated by – Noel Machost, 848
 - Seconded by – Thomas Moran, 9958
 - No other nominations
 - Nominations Closed

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- Motion made by Gary Cuevas, 7078
- Seconded by Gerald Antici – 2969
- State Deputy, Jim McCraw thanked the Convention Committee for an excellent event and the delegates for their cooperation.
- Auxiliary State Chaplain Fr. Bob Higginbotham closed the meeting with a Prayer.
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