



The Magnolia Knight

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From the desk of the State Deputy, Philip Jabour

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EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE

Admission's Degree

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Formation Degree

- Aug 8 Biloxi (1244)
- Aug 24 Tupelo (8848)

Knighthood Degree

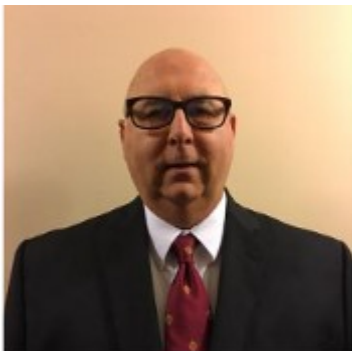
- Aug 10 Ocean Springs (5654)
- Aug 24 Tupelo (8848)

Patriotic Degree

- Oct 12 - Tupelo
- Oct 26 - Diberville

REPORTS/ORDERS DUE

- Service Prog. Personnel Report (365) Aug 1
- Semi-annual Audit (1295-1) Aug 15
- Soccer Challenge Kit Order Aug 15
- Essay Kit Order Sep 1
- Christmas Card Orders Sep 15



Brothers,

I got back from the Supreme Convention last Friday evening. It was in Minneapolis, Minnesota this year, and it is a long drive from Miss. I was a delegate, as State Deputy. The IPSD is also a delegate. Noel could not go, so Jerry Schmuck was his alternate. Roy was in the hospital, so Lonnie Treadaway was his alternate. We also had Bryan Cassagne and Charles Hahn attend as delegates. Bishop Kopacz attended for the first time since he came to Jackson. Thank you, Bishop, for attending. Bishop Kihneman was unable to attend, as well as Father Scott.

We had a good time and we had great fellowship with our Brother Knights from the US and around the world. The Tuesday morning Mass has about 200 Priests, Bishops, Archbishops, and Cardinals process in for the Mass. It is very memorable. If you ever get a chance to attend the Supreme Convention, I highly recommend it. The closest it has been to Miss. lately, was Dallas and Nashville. It will be in Washington DC next year. We also got a lot of information and voted on a number of Resolutions.

As I write this, our Mississippi Jurisdiction is #6 in new membership in the entire Order. We got off to a slow start in July, but we have really come on in August. Thank you for your hard work in accomplishing this. Charles Hahn has information in another article about the rewards we have going for bringing in new members. But, remember for your Council and the proposer to get credit from the State, your FS has to send a copy of the form 100 to Charles. Please get the form 100's in within 48 hours. The best way is to scan it and send it to Supreme as an email attachment. Copy Reports and Charles. A member gets a free accidental death, life insurance benefit, but it does not start until the form 100 gets to Supreme. I would hate to tell a Brother Knight's widow that she was not going to get the accidental death benefit, because the FS sent in the form 100 after he died.

I want to thank Immediate Past State Deputy, Noel Aucoin, for taking over editing the Magnolia Knight. Art is having some health problems and did not feel like he could continue. Thanks to both Art Dunn and Noel. Noel did the MK several years ago and he just jumped back in last month. Noel said it was like riding a bike, it came right back to him.

Thanks for all that you do for the Knights.

Vivat Jesus

Philip

Philip Jabour

State Deputy

Mississippi Jurisdiction

Knights of Columbus



Featured State Officer

State Secretary, Mike Kassouf



Brother Michael J. Kassouf joined the order in June of 1996 and received his Formation and Knighthood Degrees in the Spring of 2003. He is a member of Starkville Council 6765.

Mike is retired from a long career in retail (JC Penny) and began his career in Fairfield AL. He did stints in Birmingham and Enterprise AL, Hattiesburg and Clarksdale MS and Baton Rouge LA before Starkville where he landed in 1998 and retired in 2013.

He and his lovely wife, Kim have been married for 39 years and believe it or not, they met at a Tupperware party. They have 4 children (Niki, Brandie, Joshua and Alex) and 8 grand children (Kye, Beth, Zoey, Ayden, Austin, Landon, Alex and Noah).

Mike is a former District Deputy of District 4 and has served the state as Program and Membership Directors. Brother Kassouf was elected State Warden at the 2014 State Convention and served two consecutive terms. He was elected State Treasurer (bypassing State Advocate) in 2016 and again in 2017. Mike is currently serving his second consecutive term as State Secretary.



Duties of a State Secretary

The responsibilities of a State Secretary combines the duties of a Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary and Reorder but on a state wide level. He is in charge of the State activities in the absence of the State Deputy. The State Secretary also receives all in coming State funds, records them and then passes them over to the State Treasurer in the same fashion as does the Financial Secretary of a Council. The State Secretary is also responsible for keeping records of all State meetings. The largest being the annual State Convention. He is responsible for a record of the convention proceedings and collecting the various reports so the he may organize them in the Convention Minute Book. His most solemn responsibility is to read the necrology at the annual Memorial Mass held on Saturday morning of Convention weekend. The one unwritten duty of the State Secretary is make arrangements for the Wednesday night Delegates' Dinner at the Supreme Convention. It is his job to pick the restaurant and make the reservation for the Mississippi Delegation.



FAMILIES OF THE MONTH

Carl Brochard - State Family Director

JUNE FAMILIES OF THE MONTH

I would like to congratulate the (3) Families that were picked by Supreme for June 2019.

Mark Lamey
John Lacourrage
Stuart Suffern Sr

Council 1244
Council 9543
Council 11995

PURPOSE OF FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Stimulate and support the development of strong vibrant families. Local councils will establish a committee to recognize a deserving Family of the Month and Family of the Year with potential for recognition on the international level.

Thanks to the Councils that took the time to pick a Family. Like I say every month if your Council needs help filling out the form you can call me **228-327-0066** and I will be glad to help, it only takes about 5 to 10 minutes to fill out the form. If you have turned in a Family and they are not listed please send me the name and Council no.



CURRENT eMEMBERS

CONTACT STATE eMEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR, GUY HEYING FOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Name	Member #	City	Date Assigned	Assigned Council #
Alexander M Heideman	5080979	Jackson	7/1/2019	848
Martin Krecker	5086218	Ocean Springs	7/1/2019	1244
Mr Jeremy Bermond	5061848	Gulfport	7/1/2019	1583
Mr Emmeett A Holder	5083079	Moss Point	7/1/2019	1605
Billy Dunn	5029498	Greenwood	7/31/2018	5267
Michael L Barner	5032604	Greenwood	9/20/2018	5267
Andy Thaggard	5047354	Clinton	12/7/2018	7854
Marvin M Estrada	5017067	Columbus	5/23/2018	7974
Mr Brent Duncan	5086315	Flowood	5/6/2019	8285
Edward Howard	5101057	Crystal Springs	7/22/2019	8285
Clinton H Brown	5036627	Biloxi	7/25/2019	9409
Mr Samuel C Stewart	5026323	Grenada	7/6/2018	10443
Jack Williams	5072700	Gulfport	3/6/2019	11541
Mr David A Rueff	5024655	Madison	6/27/2018	15131
Dr William P Berlin	5093222	Jackson	7/1/2019	15131

July Membership Report

First congratulations to Larry Moeller and Eugene Valentine of Council 10216, John Piazza and John Moore of Council 898, Corwyn Peterson and Henry Knue of Council 9673, Christopher Trapani of Council 1522, and David Fisher, Louis Clifford, and Gregory Hampton of Council 15131. Each of these brother Knights earned a Mississippi Fast Start Recruiter Mug for recruiting at least one new member in July. The top recruiter for July was Louis Clifford (Council 15131). In July, the state only recruited 17 new members so we did not award the \$100 recruiting incentives. These were rolled forward to August. As of August 12th, the state had brought in 12 new members for August. Keep up the good work!



District Deputies, keep looking at your monthly goals. Remember your goal plus one puts the state back into the Circle of Honor next year at the Supreme Convention. Council leaders, encourage your members to look at the men standing next to them at Mass and ask if they are a member of the Knights. We only had four Star councils last year and we should have had many more. Remember, if your council earns the Star Council award this year, Supreme will give your council a half year credit on your per capita in the 2020-2021 fraternal year and if your council earns it by January 15, 2020, the state will also give a half year credit next year as well. That is a credit of over seven dollars for each dues paying member in your council. Imagine the increase in charitable works

Note to the financial secretaries, when you submit a form 100 to Supreme with a new member, I do not get a copy from Supreme. The only way I can track proposers for the year and present these incentive awards is when you send a copy of the form 100 to me (membership@kofc-ms.org). A quick time saver is to set up a "Form100" email group with the following five e-mail addresses:

membership@kofc.org Supreme Membership Records

membership@kofc-ms.org State Membership Director

dd##@kofc-ms.org Your district deputy

your.field.agent@kofc.org So he will get a heads up

Charlie.Groves@kofc.org The Stice Agency

Then, when you have a first degree, scan in the form100 and e-mail it to your "Form100" group and all of us will get a copy. While Supreme will send the Stice agency the new member's information, sending a copy to the field agent and the agency directly gives them a head start on talking to the new member about the benefits he is eligible for.

And now for the least popular topic of the month – Retention. I know that councils want to shed those members who aren't paying their dues, but do you drop a man who is 68 with 44 years of service? How long has that member gone without paying their dues? If it is only a couple of years, then perhaps the council could waive his dues until his 70th birthday or find someone who can pay his dues? Has anyone reached out to contact the member to see how he is doing? It would be sad to suspend an elderly member who the council later found out passed away in another town. That said, I urge councils to use the retention procedure and form that was rolled out last year:

https://www.kofc-ms.org/for_officers/Request%20for%20Membership%20Suspension%20and%20Procedure.pdf

This form outlines the proper procedure to drop an individual from the council rolls. It is important to make a good faith effort to try to contact the member to see why he is behind on his dues or if he is still interested in being a part of the Knights of Columbus. If a council has lost contact with a member, the state has subscribed to a locator service that can be used to find update contact information – contact myself or the state secretary for a report. I recently reviewed a conservation report. When I contacted one the members on that report, he was unaware that he was behind on his dues and he promised to pay not only his dues, but his son's dues which were delinquent too. That is unacceptable. That tells me that that council did not make a good faith effort to contact the members before initiating the suspension process. I urge councils to follow the proper procedure and do what they can to avoid suspending a member unnecessarily. And remember – the time to start working on member retention is when you talk to the prospective member about joining. Get him involved early on and make him feel that his efforts are appreciated. Then he won't become one of those members who has to be suspended.



MS Knights in Action

Please submit all MS Knights in action articles to noel.aucoin@gmail.com

SOUTHERN REGION

Most Holy Trinity Council 11995 completed a Helping Hands Event at the St Stephen's Community Cultural Center in Delisle, MS. On July 20, 2019. They mowed the huge lawn, worked in the Thrift Shop, and helped build a handicap ramp. Those participating included Chuck & LouAnn Heim, Marlow & Conner Ladner, Clark & Veda Lizana, Stephen D'Angelo, David Hebert, Jim Beckham and Rich Hazen. The Council plans on holding this event once a quarter and are working with the center to come up with a master plan



Members of Council 9094 met with Jerome Slaughter at this month's city Council Meeting. At that meeting, the D Iberville Knights of Columbus presented the proceeds from our recent fund drive for our Program to Support Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities. Ms. Reva Hopkins, Special Education Specialist with St. Martin Middle School, was given a \$600 check to provide additional funding for her school's program. In addition to that donation, City Manager Clay Jones accepted a \$600 check for the D Iberville Middle School Special Education Program. Project co-chairmen Larry Tabor and Al Allegue expressed their appreciation to the Mayor, City Councilmen, Wal Mart, and the Biloxi - D Iberville Press for their continued support to the Knights resulting in our Program's overall success. Tabor also acknowledged the generosity of our local communities whose donations help our local Special Education Programs.



On Saturday July 20th, Most Holy Trinity Council 11995 held the Marian Hour of Prayer Program after the 4:00 pm Mass. 23 people attended the service which was led by Deacon Norm Cantrelle. Over 700 Our Lady of Persecuted Christian prayer cards were handed out over the 6 weeks preceding the event and the Parish was urged to pray for persecuted Christians in the middle east.

Council 9409 Installation of Officers



Biloxi-Schneider Knights of Columbus Council 9409 Officers for 2019-2020					
Jack Kline	Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right	Right
Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right
Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right
Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right
Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right	Lefty	Right



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CENTRAL REGION

Sunday, August 4, 2019, Father Scott Thomas was formally installed as Pastor of St. Marys Basilica in Natchez, MS by Bishop Joseph Kopaz. An Honor Guard was provided by Assembly 559. Fr. Scott is new to Natchez, but not Mississippi. He is from Jackson and has been serving in Greenwood. He is also the State Chaplin for the Mississippi Knights of Columbus. Also coming to Natchez, is Fr. Mark Shoffner as Parochial Vicar. Fr. Mark recently was ordained and this is his first Parish. He comes to Natchez from Greenville Ms. Fr. Mark is also a Fourth Degree Knight. The Brother Knights of Natchez are looking forward to having both of these fine young men as part of their Council and Assembly.



Sunday June 23rd, Assembly 559 Led the Procession leading from The Blessing of the new Prayer Garden in Natchez to the Family Life Center for Father David O'Connors Retirement Party.



Below, members of Assembly 559 and Council 1034 join together to wish Father O'Connor well on his retirement





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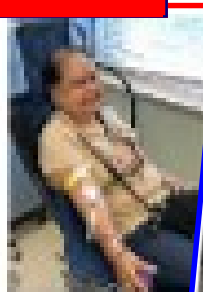
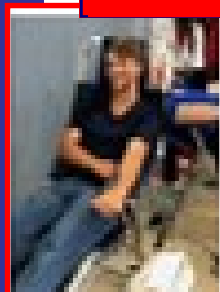
**NORTHERN
REGION**

Council 7120, Southaven ended the Fraternal year with a flurry of activity. Events included Work days at the New Hope Homeless Shelter, a community blood drive held on June 16 and hosting a Special Olympics Luncheon on June 22

Work Days @ New Hope



Blood Drive



Special Olympics Luncheon



New officers for KC Council 10901 were inducted July 7th during the annual summer social held at the home of Marge and Forrest Hinton, in Oxford. Approximately 90 Knights and their families attended the social celebrating the July 4th holiday. In addition, the gathering of members gave the Knights an opportunity to introduce new prospective members to their families. The summer social also serves as a big "THANK YOU" the families of Knights who give up their fathers and husbands for the many weekend activities serving the Parish and Community. RIGHT: DD Jacob Eftink and PGK, Albert Ruiz read the articles of induction to GK, Basil Richmond

**Council 10901 Holds
Summer Social**



ABOVE: Forrest Hinton receives his jewel of office from DD Jacob Eftink

Mississippi has a long and storied past with the Knights of Columbus. For the next several months, The Magnolia Knight will publish a list of Past State Officers.

*** This month lists the State Officers from 1905–1933**

Data provided by
PSD, Jim McCraw

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Term	State Deputy/Council #		State Secretary/Council #		State Treasurer/Council #	
1905-1906	Charles F Engle	1034	W.A. Clarke		S.E. Trainor	898
1906-1907	Charles R. Shannon	802	W.A. Clarke		S.E. Trainor	898
1907-1908	S.E. Trainor	898	Wm L. Jacquith		James A. Grillo	1034
1908-1909	S.E. Trainor	898	Wm. L Jacquith		James A. Grillo	1034
1909-1910	R.A. Keyer	1034	James A. Grillo	1034	P.H. Prieur	1244
1910-1911	Geo. F.M. McDonnell	848	Ed J. Spengler	848	P.H. Prieur	1244
1911-1912	E.L. Dukate	1244	Jules D'Aquin	1244	Ed J. Spengler	848
1912-1913	E.L. Dukate	1244	A.B. Austin	1244	Ed J. Spengler	848
1913-1914	J.C. Hamilton	898	James G. French	898	John Farrell	802
1914-1915	J.O. Mauffray	1522	John Farrell	802	A.A. Korgosien	1522
1915-1916	J.O. Mauffray	1522	John Farrell	802	A.A. Korgosien	1522
1916-1917	J.H. Culkins	898	J.W. Porter	898	E.P. O'Flynn	802
1917-1918	J.H. Culkins	898	J.W. Porter	898	E.P. O'Flynn	802
1918-1919	J.H. Culkins	898	John Schwenck	1244	E.P. O'Flynn	802
1919-1920	J.H. Culkins	898	John Schwenck	1244	K.J. Johnson	802
1920-1921	Nick Conti	898	John Schwenck	1244	K.J. Johnson	802
1921-1922	John Schwenck	1244	C.J. Kinsella	2134	K.J. Johnson	802
1922-1923	John Schwenck	1244	C.C. Adams	802	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1923-1924	Nick Conti	898	E.J. Lueckenback	2134	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1924-1925	Nick Conti	898	E.J. Lueckenback	2134	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1925-1926	Nick Conti	898	E.J. Lueckenback	2134	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1926-1927	Thomas A. McKenna	1034	E.J. Lueckenback	2134	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1927-1928	Thomas A. McKenna	1034	J.J. Ducote	1583	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1928-1929	Thomas A. McKenna	1034	J.J. Ducote	1583	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1929-1930	Thomas A. McKenna	1034	A.G. Farve	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1930-1931	C.B. Boone	848	A.G. Farve	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1931-1932	John M. Ros	1605	A.G. Farve	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034
1932-1933	A.G. Farve	1522	John S. Cabibi	1583	G.O. Korndorffer	1034

Term	State Advocate/Council #		State Warden/Council #		State Chaplain
1905-1906	John T. Savage	848	James A. Grillo	1034	Fr. William Dermody
1906-1907	John T. Savage	848	James A. Grillo	1034	Fr. William Dermody
1907-1908	W.J. Shea		John B. Farrell	802	Fr. William Dermody
1908-1909	P.H. Prieur	1244	W.F. Duffy		Fr. William Dermody
1909-1910	E.L. Dukate	1244	J.C. Hamilton	898	Fr. William Dermody
1910-1911	E.L. Dukate	1244	Thomas J. Spengler	848	Fr. William Dermody
1911-1912	E.J. Gex	1522	John Conners	1522	Fr. William Dermody
1912-1913	P.W. Mulvhill	1034	O.J. Dedeaux	1583	Msgr. John Pendergast
1913-1914	P.H. Rodriguez	1605	J.O. Mauffray	1522	Msgr. John Pendergast
1914-1915	P.H. Rodriguez	1605	J.H. Culkins	898	Msgr. John Pendergast
1915-1916	P.H. Rodriguez	1605	J. H. Culkins	898	Msgr. John Pendergast
1916-1917	H.S. Saucier	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034	Msgr. John Pendergast
1917-1918	H.S. Saucier	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034	Msgr. Patrick O'Reilly
1918-1919	H.S. Saucier	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034	Bishop John E. Gunn
1919-1920	H.S. Saucier	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034	Bishop John E. Gunn
1920-1921	H.S. Saucier	1522	G.O. Korndorffer	1034	Bishop John E. Gunn
1921-1922	C.S. Street	2180	H.S. Saucier	1522	Bishop John E. Gunn
1922-1923	C.S. Street	2180	H.G. Peters	848	Msgr. John Pendergast
1923-1924	O.J. Dedeaux	1583	H.G. Peters	848	Fr. John Bowe
1924-1925	John T. Savage	848	P. Bugna	1583	Fr. John Bowe
1925-1926	John T. Savage	848	P. Bugna	1583	Bishop R.O. Gerow
1926-1927	J.C. Hanway	2134	J.O. Mauffray	1522	Bishop R.O. Gerow
1927-1928	R.F. Evans	898	John M. Ros	1605	Bishop R.O. Gerow
1928-1929	R.F. Evans	898	John M. Ros	1605	Bishop R.O. Gerow
1929-1930	J.F. Henry	848	John S. Cabibi	1583	Bishop R.O. Gerow
1930-1931	E.E. Horgan	802	John S. Cabibi	1583	Bishop R.O. Gerow
1931-1932	A.E. Tucker	898	Innocent Loyacano	2134	Bishop R.O. Gerow
1932-1933	A.E. Tucker	898	Nicholas Cassino	898	Bishop R.O. Gerow

Have you ever wondered what happens to the 25% of your Tootsie Roll money taken each year? The 25% that the State takes off the top before sending your Council it's designated checks for distribution to your local recipient. A large portion of that 25% goes to Special Olympics of Mississippi (SOMS). Below is a letter from SOMS Executive Director, Monica E. Daniels. As a SOMS board member, I urge your continued support.
Vivat Jesus, Noel

Special Olympics
Mississippi



August 1, 2019

Mr. Noel Aucoin
Knights of Columbus Foundation of Mississippi
927 Whitworth Street
Jackson, MS 39202

Noel,

The movement of Special Olympics, with its over 5 million athletes, are leading the charge for full inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities. In Mississippi, 5,000 athletes are a part of the Inclusion Revolution. For over 50 years we have been building a movement to break down barriers, both on and off the field in health and education, all through the power of sport. The fight for inclusion for all is more relevant than ever. Special Olympics Mississippi is setting a stake in the ground to create change, with our athletes leading the way.

Your 2019 Bronze Medalist Community Partner gift, in the amount of \$5,000.00, will go a long way to ensuring that every individual in Mississippi with an intellectual disability has the opportunity to compete on any playing field, to have access to quality healthcare, and will be included in their schools and workplaces. You too have the power to join the revolution – The Revolution Is Inclusion. As we continue this movement, Special Olympics Mississippi will build programming and actively engage people, like you, in this movement to create real and lasting social change.

Thank you for supporting our work.

A copy of your tax receipt information is below. Please feel free to contact me at Monica.Daniels@specialolympicsms.org or call 601-856-7748.

Sincerely,

Monica E. Daniels
Executive Director





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