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From the desk of the State Deputy, Philip Jabour

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EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE

Admission Degree *Feb. 2 – Flowood *Feb. 3 – Southhaven *Feb. 18 - Meridian Formation Degree Knighthood Degree Patriotic Degree *Jan. 25 – Olive Branch

REPORTS DUE

Report *Jan 31 - Fraternal Activity #1728 Report *Jan 31 – Special Olympics #4584 Report *Feb 15 – Semi-annual Audit #1295



Brothers,

Please see the following pages (from Brother Ted Lander) for 2020 State Convention information. We, the State Officers, are looking forward to seeing your delegations at this year's event. This will the first one ever held in the Southaven, Tunica area. Thanks to all the Knights working so hard to make this year a success.

Dear Brother Knights,

Happy New Year! I hope the joy of the Christmas season continues for you and your families. Council 7120 Southaven will be hosting the 116th annual Knights of Columbus Mississippi State Convention in 2020 at the Gold Strike Casino Tunica from April 24-26. We look forward to welcoming 300 families to the area and hope you can take advantage of all the fun, nearby activities in DeSoto County and/or Memphis during the visit. More information will be available during the next couple weeks as activities and details are finalized.

The theme of the convention is "Changing Lives in Mississippi". With your help the convention committee will create and organize a digital slideshow that will be shown during the convention and banquet and we ask that you scan any older photos and send by email along with current or digital pictures of Knights in action both from this year in 2020 and during the past 20 years, beginning in 2000. During the past 20 years as a statewide organization we have grown incredibly and have continued to love and serve through the anxious Y2K and new millennium year, the stock market crash of 2008, the serving of several presidential administrations, and we have enjoyed the spiritual leadership of three popes, Saint Pope John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI, and Pope Francis.

It is our intention to remember where we have been, what we are doing today and to look forward to what we might accomplish in the years ahead. Sponsorship ads in the Convention Program book are now being sold – please consider designing your ad to highlight both something from today and something from 20 years ago.

Council 7120 greatly appreciates your participation and thanks in advance for your follow up!



Knights of Columbus 116th State Convention - Changing Lives in Mississippi April 24-26, 2020

The Knights of Columbus has over 7,000 members in Mississippi, and nearly 2 million worldwide. On April 24 members and spouses will gather at the Gold Strike Casino Resort in Tunica to celebrate our 116th State Convention.

To commemorate the event, a 100-page program booklet will be produced recognizing our organization's achievements during the past 20 years. State officers, our 63 Councils, our Churches and Pastors and their service to our families and communities will be recognized.

Copy ready ads are being accepted at the following rates – High Resolution, JPEG or PDF is preferred:

1/4 page: \$50 1/2 page: \$80 Inside Front or Back Cover: \$300 Center pages both sides: \$500 Full 8-1/2 x 11 page: \$150 Outside Back Cover: \$500

Note: All ads are subject to review and may not be accepted if content is deemed inappropriate.

In addition to ads, we are soliciting several levels of sponsorship:

Sponsors are recognized on a convention banner displayed at the Welcome Area and Banquet Room entry, the convention website, and names printed on the registration bags. Sponsors also receive a complimentary full-page ad in the convention booklet, copy of the booklet, along with an 8' long booth space w/ table:

\$500	Knight	8' booth space in entry/gathering space

\$1,000 Grand Knight 4 tickets to Friday dinner & 8' booth space

Sponsors desiring to underwrite a specific event will be recognized at that event and mentioned in the program, accordingly. Sponsors may provide their own banner for their booth.

Checks should be made payable to: Knights of Columbus 2020 State Convention and payment can be given to Ken or Ed or mailed to: Knights of Columbus State Convention, Attn. Convention Ads, PO Box 361, Southaven, MS 38671

Ad Contacts:

Ted Lander (901)237-3493 – Convention Chairman and email tedlander@bellsouth.net Ken Lubbers (901)283-4302 Ed Couch (901)486-3179



Knights of Columbus

116th State Convention April 24-26, 2020

Advertisement Order Form

Council/Company Name	
Council/Contact Name	
Council/Contact # or email	

Attach a copy of the copy ready ad or email a high resolution copy, JPEG or PDF file to tedlander@bellsouth.net

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\$500 Knight Sponsor includes 8' booth space in entry/gathering space \$1,000 Grand Knight Sponsor includes 4 tickets to Friday dinner & 8' booth space in entry/gathering space

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116th Mississippi State Convention

April 24-26, 2020

Changing Lives in Mississippi

January 2020

Gold Strike Casino Resort

1010 Casino Center Drive

Tunica Resorts, MS 38664

Special Convention hotel rates:

Wednesday/Thursday night rate \$42/night

Friday/Saturday night rate \$115/night

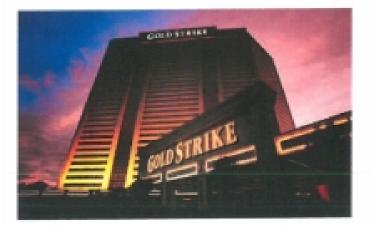
Rates do not include \$15/night resort fee and taxes.

Call Reservations (888)245-7829

Ask for Knights of Columbus 2020 rate

Special rates are secured for a set # of rooms and expire on March 23, 2020.

Members are asked to make reservations early because the resort is hosting the comedian Sinbad on Saturday night and rates and rooms are expected to be limited and rates increasing. Advertised hotel room rates are currently \$129/\$139 for Friday and Saturday nights as of January 10th.



2020 Pre-Convention Checklist:

- Design and send in your Convention Ad (due by March 23rd).
- Call Gold Strike reservations to reserve your room/rooms at special convention rates (rooms rates good through March 23rd).
- Register for the convention and other activities online via our state website www.kofc-ms.org. Registration should be online after January 23rd—Early registration will be from January 23 to March 23rd. Late registration fee after March 23rd.
- Make travel plans to visit Tunica, Memphis and DeSoto County destinations:
- Tunica River Park and Museum (5 miles)
- Tanger Outlet Mall (27 miles from site)
- Graceland tour and exhibits (26 miles)
- Memphis Zoo (36 miles)
- Bass Pro Shops at the Pyramid (32 miles)





Travelmugs are being delivered to Albert Jones and Jorge Pina of Holly Springs Council 8760 and James Delinski of Long Beach Council 4898. Albert Jones was the top recruiter for the month, and on a side note, Jorge Pina brought in a new member two days after his own first degree. Congratulations on getting a good start on his Knight in Shining Armor award. As of December 31st, the state had brought in 113 new members. Four council have met their recruiting goals for this Supreme fraternal year. For the state year (April 1st to March 31st), eight council have met their recruiting goals with two council recruiting above the Top Gun level (200% of goal). The state needs 248 new members to make circle of honor. That goal is achievable but it will take work from all the councils. If each council recruits 4 new members before June 30th. That would also mean that 10 more councils would meet their membership goals. Every council that makes star council will receive a ½ year credit in their Supreme per capita. As of January 14th, four councils have so far qualified for the state incentive of ½ year state per capita credit, provided they earn star council status in June. That incentive closes on the 15th, but I will look at the dates on the form 100's to make sure each council gets credit for their new members. A tip for financial secretaries when submitting those form 100's – create a Form100 group in your e-mail. Make sure these five address are in that group:

<u>membership@kofc.org</u> - do not use <u>membershiprecords@kofc.org</u> <u>membership@kofc-ms.org</u> - me so I can make sure you get credit <u>yourfield.agent@kofc.org</u> - to give him a heads up on new members <u>john.stice@kofc.org</u> - again to give him a heads up <u>reports@kofc-ms.org</u> - backup

Then when you submit a form 100 to supreme just address it to the Form100 group and everyone who needs a copy will get it.

Now is time for council to start planning a church drive for the spring. Grand Knights need to work with their priest to set a date in March or April. If you missed the training on the new Delta Church Drive, there is more information at http://www.kofc.org/en/members/resources/leadership-communications/knightline/membership-growth-checklist.html

Supreme reports that councils using this new process have brought in at least three new members with the drive. I know too often, we ignore suggestions from Supreme, thinking that they don't know how things work in the south, but now is time to open our minds and consider their training. There are still 26 council in the state that haven't recruited a new member this year. Two of those were star councils last year and one earned the Father McGivney award for membership. **Retention:** That least favorite topic. We are urging each council to use to the worksheet at:

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

This worksheet outlines the steps to be followed. Remember that the financial secretary is not part of the retention committee. He provides the retention committee with a list of members in arrears, and the committee moves forward from there. Also, if a council does not have a retention committee chairman on the service personnel roster, (form 365), Supreme will not process the suspension. If a council attempts to suspend five or more and does not use the worksheet (sending it to the state – retention@kofc-ms.org or membership@kofc-ms.org) the State Deputy will not approve the suspension. The state wants to make sure that we are taking care of our members. Remember, if a member is unable to pay his dues because of financial problems, a council should reach out to help that member, not dump him by the curb.



FAMILIES OF THE MONTH

Carl Brochard - State Family Director

I would like to congratulate the <u>Christopher Kees</u> Family, Council <u>848</u>, chosen by Supreme as Family of the Month: December 2019 Thanks to the Councils that took time to pick Families of the Month: 802, 848, 898, 1034, 1244, 1583, 2134, 2180, 4898, 5654, 7120, 7974, 8054, 8038, 9094, 9124, 9543, 11901, 11934, 11995, 14051, 15155, 15382

As always, I will be glad to assist anyone having trouble filling out the report or if your Council has submitted but is not getting credit. Call me at 228-327-0066.

CURRENT eMEMBERS

CONTACT STATE eMEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR, GUY HEYING FOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Name	Member #	City	Date Assigned	Council #
Martin Krecker	5086218	Ocean Springs	7/1/2019	1244
Mr David A Garcia	5126422	Bay Saint Louis	12/3/2019	1522
Mr Larry J Smith	5126993	Bay Saint Louis	12/3/2019	1522
Mr Jason L Kirschenheuter	5134381	Pass Christian	1/14/2020	1583
Mr Jeremy Bermond	5061848	Gulfport	7/1/2019	1583
Mr Emmeett A Holder	5083079	Moss Point	7/1/2019	1605
MR charlie E Breithaupt	5126462	Petal	1/6/2020	1908
Marco A Izquierdo	5110038	Greenwood	9/20/2019	5267
Michael L Barner	5032604	Greenwood	9/20/2018	5267
Mr Brent Duncan	5086315	Flowood	5/6/2019	8285
Lawrence J Hubacek	5122593	Flowood	11/14/2019	10216
Mr James V Mathews	5126036	Brandon	11/27/2019	10216
Mr Samuel C Stewart	5026323	Grenada	7/6/2018	10443
Mr Chris Spear	5122957	Gulfport	11/16/2019	11541
Morgan Ladner	5130175	Diamondhead	12/16/2019	11995
Nick J Ladner	5134804	Pass Christian	1/14/2020	12331
Pete Flood	5135462	Jackson	1/16/2020	15131

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE eMEMBERS THAT JOINED A COUNCIL SINCE LAST MONTH

Alan Thaggard	Council 7894	Clinton
Clinton Brown	Council 9409	Biloxi
Mark Krecker	Council 1244	Biloxi

MS Knights in Action

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

Region

Southern

Brother Knights of Council 16692 set up the manger scene at St. Michael, Biloxi

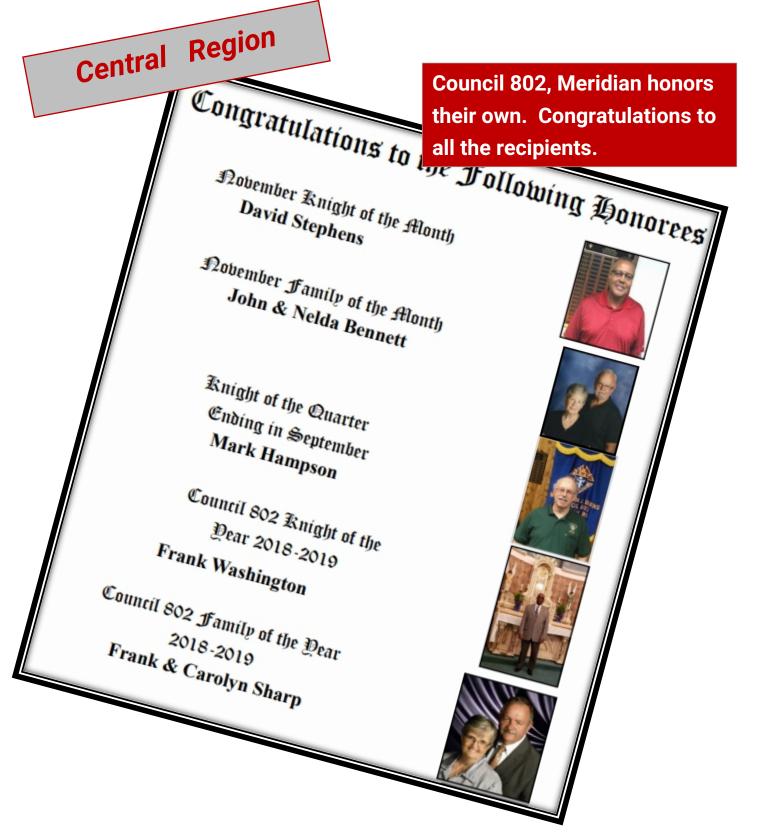
COUNCIL 9124, GAUTIER COLLECT 125 TOYS INCLUDING 4 BICYCLES IN THE ANNUAL KCIC TOY DRIVE

SOUTHERN REGION MID-WINTER MEETING RESCHEDULED FOR FEB. 1 IN OCEAN SPRINGS (ST. ALPHONSUS)

COUNCIL 9124, GAUTIER PRESENTS THE PROCEEDS FROM THEIR PID DRIVE TO SINGING RIVER INDUSTRIES

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<u>Tootsie Roll 1 mile, 5k</u> and 10k Run

March 21, 2020 8:00am

Oxford, MS

Benefitting MS Special Olympics and Organizations for People with Intellectual Disabilities.

Presented by Knights of Columbus Council 10901

Course starts and ends at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church and runs through the Ole Miss Campus.

Race starts at 8:00 am. Timing by RunOxford.

Runners have the option of running 1 mile Fun Run, 5 kilometer or 10 kilometer run.

Registration fee (includes t-shirt)

1 mile fun run = \$15

5 kilometer Run = \$25

10 kilometer Run = \$35

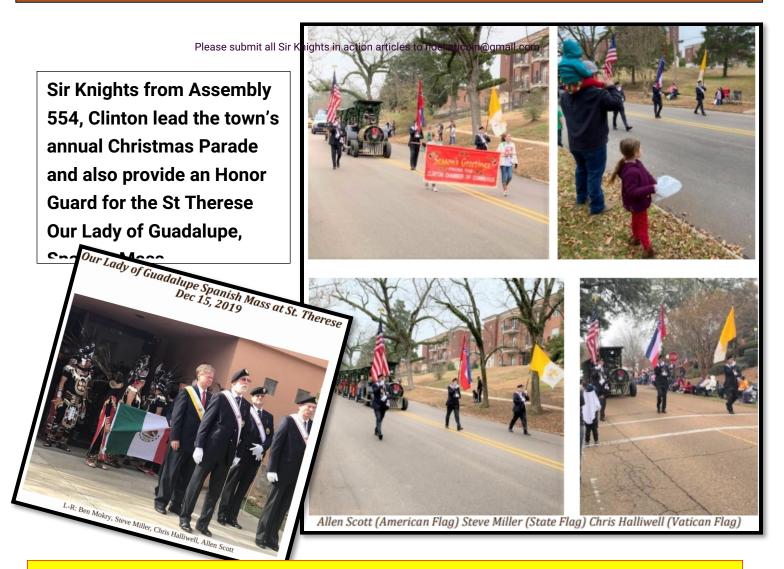
Race Packet Pick Up is March 20. 2020 5:00pm – 8:00pm & March 21, 2020 6:30 am – 7:45 am at St John the Evangelist Catholic Church

For More Information go to our Facebook Page:

Tootsie Roll Run 1.5.10

To register go to: https://raceroster.com/events/2020/29322/tootsie-roll-1510

Sir Knights in Action



VOLUNTEERS DESPERATELY NEED!!

MISSISSIPPI SPECIAL OYMPICS ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF AREA DIRECTORS. DIRECTORS ARE NEEDED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS: GULF COAST, LAFAYETTE, QUEEN CITY AND PASCAGOULA. IF YOUR INTERESTED IN VOLUMNTEERING CONTACT DIRECTOR OF SPORTS PROGRAMS, TERRY SHINALL AT Terry.Shinall@specialolympicsms.org

