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EXEMPLIFICATIONS:

Admissions degree
*Feb 18 Meridian
*Mar 1 Flowood
*Mar 2 Southaven
Formation
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Knighthood
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Patriotic
*Mar 28 Ocean Springs
New Full Degree
*Mar 2 Woolmarket

OTHER DATES:

Semi-annual audit (1295)
*Feb 15
Special Olympics Bowling
Tournament
*Feb 18
Vicksburg March for Life
*Feb 29
Founders Day
*Mar 29
State Activity Report Final
Day
*Mar 31



From the desk of State Deputy, Philip Jabour

Brothers,

We are getting close to convention time. Please get everything in as soon as possible. Mike is going to send out a check list for you, shortly. Remember to elect delegates and alternates as soon as possible. The registration should be live this week. The Hotel reservation is already up on the State Website, www.kofc-ms.org.

As we approach the convention, I have come to realize this will be my last convention as an elected officer. I want to thank all of you that have worked so hard to accomplish all that we have done the last few years. I appreciate your support for the last 10 or 12 years. I will be IPSD, so I am not going away, but that is not an elected office. Thanks again.

We seem to be doing well with the new Degree. Please set up a team for each of your Councils and get started on it. I feel good about getting all three degrees in about 30 minutes. I especially like the idea of the families being able to attend the degree. When it was introduced to us at Orlando, they passed our survey cards when it was over. The SD got one and the SD's wives also got one. The rating of the State Deputies was about 90% favorable. The wife's ratings were even higher than the State Deputies.

The Supreme Convention is going to be in Washington DC, this August. Nothing has come down officially, but the rumor is that Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson is retiring. I believe he was installed in Mexico City about 20 years ago. So, this is a significant convention. I need your help to make our new member numbers by the end of June. This will be a historic Convention and I want Mississippi to be represented on the stage for Circle of Honor. We had a meeting of the DD's this week and they know what each District needs to do, for us to make our numbers. Please get with them and set up a plan to do your part. Charles is also announcing some new incentives for the Councils.

Once again thank you!

Vivat Jesus!



from the State Secretary

Selecting Delegates

Council delegates to the State Convention are selected in the following order.

First Delegate should be the current Grand Knight, the second delegate should be the Immediate Past Grand Knight.

Alternate delegates should be selected the Council past Grand Knights. If for reason the IPGK or PGK are not available then a 3rd degree council member can be selected.

Necrology

Names of deceased council members or auxiliary members should be entered into the necrology date base no later the Friday April 24th .

Reports

Please send your State officer, Grand Knight, District Deputy and program chair reports to kassouf@bellsouth.net by Wednesday April 1.

MEMBERSHIP MESSAGE

January Membership Report

Travel Mugs are being sent to Thomas Whitenton and James Parman of Council 8848 in Tupelo. I still have one travel mug left. As of February 12th, statewide, 139 new members have joined the Mississippi Knights of Columbus. 48 have been dropped or have withdrawn. The state is 59th in the order in intake gain and 50th in net gain. The state needs 222 new members to reach circle of honor. If each council brings in one new member per month between now and the end of June, the state will make circle of honor. It will also mean that at least 26 councils will have reached their membership goal and could potentially make Star council. As of the end of January, 7 councils have met their state recruiting goals with two of those meeting their Top Gun goal for the year.

To encourage councils to meet this goal, the state has opened to new recruiting initiatives. For every council that recruits 4 new members between February 1st and March 31st, the state will reimburse the council for one delegate's convention registration fee. If a council brings in eight new members, the council will be reimbursed for both delegates. For every council that makes Star Council, the state will provide a ½ year credit in their state per capita. Supreme will also provide a Star Councils a ½ year credit in their Supreme per capita.

A correction to what I put out last month on e-mailing form 100's. Financial secretaries should set up a FORM100 group. In that group include these seven email addresses:

membership@kofc.org- do not use membershiprecords@kofc.org
membership@kofc-ms.org- me, so I can make sure you get credit
yourfield.agent@kofc.org- to give him a heads up on new members
dd#@kofc-ms.org- again to give him a heads up
reports@kofc-ms.org – backup
dd#@kofc-ms.org- again backup
your.own.email – as a check to make sure you have sent.

Continue to plan and execute church drives and other recruiting drives. Look at the events you have planned in your parishes as potential recruiting opportunities. There is never a better place to talk to potential members about all of the good things your council does for your parish than when you are there doing them. Invite those potential members to help on the next project.



Bishop Houck Fund, for Retired Priest

Dear Brother Knights

As you know the convention is rapidly approaching - and time is running out for your contribution to the Bishop Houck Religious Retirement Fund. This fund was established in 2016 for providing funds to help our religious with their retirement. The first year we gave the fund a little over \$ 5,000 – the following year we gave a little over \$8,000 and last year we gave almost \$12,000 – the goal this year is \$14,000, so since the beginning of this fund we have donated \$25,000.

As the fraternal year rapidly draws to a close we are very behind in our donations by the councils- so far this year we have raised only \$2,200 and I am concerned. I realize that you are asked by a lot of funds to donate to their cause, and they are worthy of your consideration; however the Bishop Houck Fund for Retired Religious is a little different from most.

If you were unable to contribute last year please do so this year, and if you did contribute last year please try and increase your contribution this year.

Thank you,

Fred Ward, Bishop Houck Fund Retirement for the Religious

FAMILIES OF THE MONTH

Carl Brochard - State Family Director

I would like to congratulate the
Zane Beasley Family, Council
15155, chosen by Supreme as
Family of the Month: January 2020

Thanks to the Councils that took time to pick Families of
the Month: 802, 848, 898, 1034, 1583, 5654, 7120, 7974,
8054, 8038, 9094, 9124, 10443, 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

NAME	MEMBERSHIP #	CITY	DATE ASSIGNED	COUNCIL
Fr. Alfred Ayern	5141114	Jackson	2/10/2020	10216
Martin Kreckner	50866218	Ocean Springs	7/1/2019	1244
Jason L Kirschenheuter	5134381	Pass Christian	1/14/2020	1583
Jeremy Bermond	5061848	Gulfport	7/19.2019	1583
Emmeett A Holder	5083079	Moss Point	7/1/2019	1605
Charlie E Breithaupt	5126462	Petal	1/6/2020	1908
Marco A Izquierdo	5110038	Greenwood	9/20/2019	5267
Michael L Barner	5032604	Greenwood	9/20/2019	5267
Lawrence J Hubacek	5122593	Flowood	11/14/2019	10216
James V Mathews	5126036	Brandon	11/27/2019	10216
Samuel C Stewart	5026323	Grenada	7/6/2018	10443
Chris Spear	5122957	Gulfport	11/16/2019	11541
Pete Flood	5135462	Jackson	1/16/2020	15131

Congratulations to the eMemebbers that have transitioned to regular membership since last month

David Garcia – Bay St. Louis
Brent Duncan – Flowood
Nick Ladner – Pass Christian

Larry Smith – Bay St. Louis
Morgan Ladner – Diamondhead



Knights in ACTION

Southern Region

Most Holy Trinity Council 11995 held an Exemplification for Charity, Unity, and Fraternity on Sunday, Feb 9, 2020 at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church. We welcomed three new members into the Order and had eight members complete their 2nd and 3rd Degrees as well. This was the first Exemplification of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity held in South Mississippi. It was very well received by both the candidates and the 45 family members and friends who observed the program



Brother Knights serving as Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers at our January Corporate Communion



Knights in ACTION

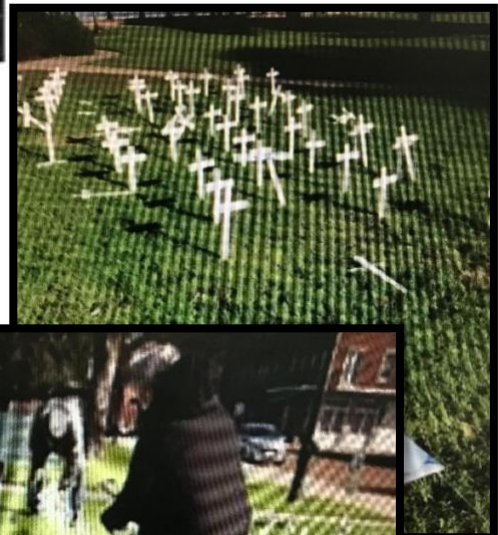
Central Region



Youth Group from the Diocese of Houma-Thibodeaux hosted by Council 802, Meridian for breakfast on their return trip from the National March for Life Rally



**Knights of
Council 1034,
Natchez build a
tribute to the
unborn and
rebuild it after
vandals destroy it**



Knights in ACTION

Northern Region

Special Olympics of Mississippi 2020 Events Calendar

SOMS EVENTS

February 29th – Oxford, MS. University of Ole Miss
SOMS Spring Games and Healthy Athlete Screening

May 5th thru 8th – Begin in North MS (Olive Branch, Southaven, Holly Springs) to Biloxi, MS.
Keesler AFB
Law Enforcement Torch Run

May 8th thru 10th – Biloxi, MS. Keesler AFB
SOMS Summer Games

September 19th – Pascagoula, MS. Ingalls Shipbuilding
Ingalls 5K on the Causeway

October 9th thru 11th – Hattiesburg, MS. Camp Shelby
SOMS Fall Games

November 6th & 7th – Hattiesburg, MS. FCMPC
SOMS Equestrian Games

November 13th & 14th – Grenada, MS. Camp McCain
SMOS Flag Football/Cheer Competition

November 18th – To Be Determined
Unified Egg Bowl

For the SOMS Newsletter and to check on additions to the events page go to: <http://specialolympicsms.org>. The box below should pop up automatically. Put in your information and you are connected for announcements and event information. If the box does not pop up, click on: EVENTS – STAY CONNECTED and fill in your information.

	Special Olympics <i>Mississippi</i>
Get Connected	
Please fill in the form to stay informed and involved!	
<input type="text" value="John"/>	<input type="text" value="Smith"/>
<input type="text" value="john.smith@example.com"/>	
<input type="button" value="Sign Up"/>	



Sir Knights in ACTION

Color Corp Patriotic Degree Olive Branch, MS January 25, 2020



2 members from Bishop Gerow Assembly 554 Color Corps, Color Corp Commander Steve Miller and District Master Craig Harrell participated in the Color Corp for a Patriotic Degree hosted in Olive Branch, MS by Assembly 3081. Congratulations to the 11 Knights who were exemplified into the order of the Patriotic Degree and now have the distinct honor of the title of Sir Knight bestowed upon them.

33rd Annual Candlelight Vigil for the Unborn State Capitol January 18, 2020



Steve Miller, Craig Harrell, Allen Scott

Members from Bishop Gerow Assembly 554 Color Corps represented the visible arm of the Knights with an Honor Guard for the 33rd Annual Candlelight Vigil for the Unborn at the Mississippi State Capitol in Jackson, MS.

BILOXI DIOCESE YOUTH RALLY

FOR THE 4TH YEAR THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL HAVE A RECRUITING BOOT AT THE DIOCESE OF BILOXI YOUTH CONVENTION FRIDAY - SUNDAY, MARCH 20 to 22.

IN THE PAST 4 YEARS APPROXIMATELY 49 YOUTH INCLUDING AND SOME WITH THEIR FATHERS. OTHERS WENT INTO THE SEMINARY AND BECAME MEMBERS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, AS A RESULT OF THIS CONVENTION RECRUITING PROCESS.

PLEASE ADVISE BROTHER BILL HAAS, wdhaas@bellsouth.net
BRYAN CASSAGNE, bvcassagne@gmail.com
OR JIMMY SMITH, jimmy.smith56@yahoo.com
OF YOUR COUNCILS METHOD OF SUPPORT.

EXAMPLES OF SUPPORT ARE:

1. YOUR COUNCILS SPENDING TIME AT THE BOOTH RECRUITING,
2. DONATIONS THAT WILL GO DIRECTLY TO DIOCESE OF BILOXI YOUTH FUND AND FATHER ADAM'S SEMINARIAN FUND.
3. MAKE YOUR COUCIL CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS. MAIL THEM T: BILL HAAS, KOC, PO BOX 2306, GULFPORT, MS 39505 BY MARCH 13, 2020.
4. A PICTURE PAINTS A 1,000 WORDS.

YBIC BILL HAAS

