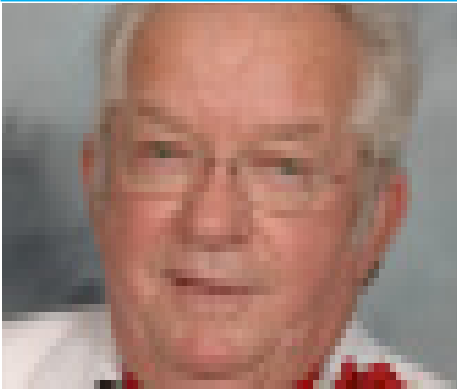


Louisiana Knight

Calendar

- March 24 Major Degree, Lafayette
DD Bobby Donlon, Chairman
Council 4683, Host
- March 25 Major Degree, Litcher
DD Leon Waguespack, Chairman
Council 1817, Host
- April 1 Deadline - Payment State Per Capita
- April 5 Deadline - Submit YEP Contribution
- April 5 Deadline - State Grading Questionnaire
to Chairmen
- April 6 GOOD FRIDAY
- April 8 EASTER
- April 13-15 Camp Joshua, Baton Rouge
- April 14 State Grading, Lafayette
- April 15 CYLA Finals, Lafayette
- April 15 Deadline - Family of the Month
- April 15 Major Degree - Alexandria
DD Donald Hebert, Chairman
Council 13505, Host
- April 21 Major Degree - Gretna
DD George Wedge, Chairman
Council 1905, Host
- May 4 Convention Golf Scramble
The Island GC, Plaquemine
- May 4 Convention Memorial Mass
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 4 Convention Crawfish Boil
Rural Life Museum, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Convention Committee Meetings
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Convention Opening Session
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Financial Secretary Meeting
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Convention Kidz Kamp
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Ladies Dutch Treat Luncheon
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Convention Mass
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 5 Convention Banquet
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 6 Convention Breakfast
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 6 Convention Voting
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 6 Convention Closing Session
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 6 Financial Secretary Meeting
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 6 Ladies Entertainment
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 6 Convention Kidz Kamp
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 6 Financial Secretary Luncheon
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Baton Rouge
- May 9 Feast of the Ascension
Mother's Day
- May 13 Deadline - Family of the Month
- May 15 Steubenville on the Bayou, Houma
- June 17 Father's Day
Major Degree - New Iberia
DD Wayne Duhon, Chairman
Council 12997, Host
- May 26 Major Degree - Hammond
DD Gasper Corpora, Chairman
Council 2952, Host
- June 22-24 Steubenville South, Alexandria
- June 29-July 1 State Family Meeting, Lafayette
- June 30 Deadline - Report of Officers, #185
- June 30 Deadline - Round Table Report #2630
- June 30 Deadline - RSVP Application #2863
- June 30 Deadline - Columbian Award #SP7





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Brother Knights and families we are fast approaching the greatest Holiday of the year when Christ proved he was from God. Let's keep the homeless and downtrodden in our prayers this year.

The recent tornados that ripped across the nation has hurt some of our sister states and they are asking for help in any way we can. Your state officers have sent some money to them to help. These states are the same ones that help us when we were hit by killer hurricanes several years ago.

We are fast approaching the annual convention in Baton Rouge and it promises to be a good one. If you have not registered please do so. You can register on line to make matters simple. I registered online and it was easy and quick.

The State Officers and the Past State Deputies met for three days to discuss the budget and the resolutions to be presented at the convention. It is amazing how the PSD help us in the business of the affairs of state.

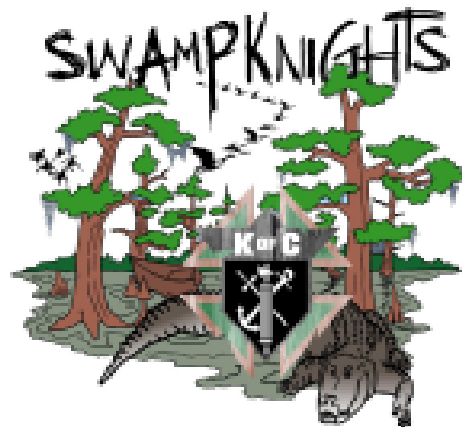
As of this week we are down to three councils that have not turned in their directors' report and 60 councils that have not turned in their Fraternal Survey report. This last report

helps us keep our tax exempt status. If your council has not turned them in please get them turned in as soon as possible.

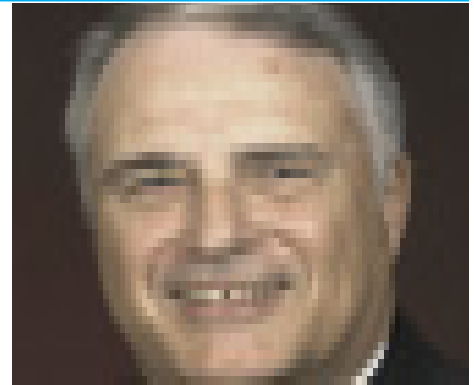
We are working to help the councils turn in the reports for the grading to pick the State Deputies Award. The new way will be quick and easy.

I would be nelegecting my duties if I did not report on our membership as we stand this year. We are currently in seventh place in the order with over 900 new Brothers added this year. As always we still have a back door that is very hard to close. I ask all of the Financial Secretaries to look over their members and the status of their dues. Keep them as current as possible. It does not pay to get rid of a lot of members at one time. If we talk to the Brother in question maybe we can save him from leaving our great order. We have a lot to offer our members. One way is when we get a new member in our council. Welcome him at the meetings and give him something to do in our programs. If we keep him and his family busy they will stay in our order.

Our programs and membership



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Bishop Ronald P. Herzog
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As you read this, the great days of Holy Week and Easter are just ahead. I certainly encourage all Brother Knights and their families to make a special effort to lead by example in taking part in the great Liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. These are powerful and meaningful ways of preparing for the Solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection.

These past two months have been a series of great opportunities for me, personally. Our Region (Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Tennessee, and Kentucky) travelled to Rome for our *Ad Limina Apostolorum* visit. The week spent celebrating the Eucharist at the four major Basilicas, visiting many of the Congregations and Pontifical Commissions and most specially the audience with the Holy Father, was a vivid reminder of the universality of the Church. It was also a vivid reminder of the great contributions of our Order in the mission of the Church throughout the world.

I then had the opportunity to serve as spiritual director for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land under the

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auspices of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem. This week, spent visiting and praying in the places Jesus himself travelled and preached was an experience I will never forget. If you ever have the opportunity to take part in a similar trip, please seriously consider it.

I am sure all of you are well aware of the serious moral issues that have surfaced during the past few months concerning the systematic attack on religious liberty by the Obama administration and the strong voice the Church has raised in opposition to the mandate from the Secretary of Health and Human Services. Bishop Lori, our Supreme Chaplain, Chair of the newly established Task Force within the USCCB, has testified several times before Congress expressing our serious concern and opposition to this assault. I urge all Brother Knights to join their voices in this fight to preserve our rights as citizens and as people of faith. We, Catholics, are often a silent group. We cannot afford that luxury any longer. Too much is at stake! Elected officials at every level are sensitive to the comments of those who vote. Our Order can once again lead the way in defending the rights of all people. We cannot let the proponents of such actions deflect it as only a 'Catholic' issue. This has the potential of opening the flood gates of further similar attacks. We must try our best to oppose such efforts.

UNITED WE STAND



Rennan Duffour
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Brothers ...

The Youth Expansion Program (YEP) Fund Raising Program for the 2011-2012 year is well underway. The 2011-2012 YEP Contribution Goal is \$135,000. An additional \$35,000 will be allocated from Un-allocated YEP Funds for the Ultra Sound Imaging Machine purchase, which will qualify the Knights of Columbus (KC) State of Louisiana to participate in the KC Supreme Matching Fund Program for the purchase of a second Ultra Sound Imaging Machine. Therefore the total 2011-2012 YEP Goal is \$170,000. As of March 1, 2012, a total of \$97,409 has been collected for the 2011-2012 YEP Program. There is still a total of \$37,591 to be raised to reach the 2011-2012 YEP Contribution Goal. Brothers, we need to make this happen.

A total of 102 Louisiana Councils out of 300+ Louisiana Councils have contributed to the 2011-2012 YEP Program so far this year. Those Councils who have contributed to the 2011-2012 YEP are listed below.

Councils: 970, 1099, 1208, 1217, 1317, 1357, 1437, 1514, 1710,

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1745, 1754, 1905, 2012, 2150, 2409, 2436, 2675, 2732, 2807, 3015, 3054, 3061, 3202, 3208, 3298, 3407, 3411, 3470, 3528, 3634, 3743, 3779, 4085, 4156, 4508, 4663, 4683, 4787, 4873, 5022, 5345, 5352, 5499, 5530, 5747, 5935, 6103, 6326, 6389, 6531, 6870, 6958, 7226, 7275, 7722, 7856, 8371, 8442, 8601, 8616, 8743, 8770, 8779, 8805, 8840, 8878, 8901, 8906, 8932, 9000, 9007, 9016, 9110, 9217, 9240, 9281, 9294, 9347, 9692, 9973, 10176, 10293, 10612, 10645, 10721, 10728, 10902, 11060, 11270, 11792, 11857, 12072, 12529, 12686, 12906, 12997, 13145, 13632, 13819, 14614, 15006 and 15133

Those Councils are to be commended for their support and YEP contributions to fund the KC Youth Programs.

Approximately 2/3 of the KC Councils in the State of Louisiana have not contributed to YEP as of March 1, 2012 for the 2011-2012 program. Brothers we need the support of those Councils to meet our state YEP goal. Without your support to meet our 2011-2012 YEP Goals, our budget for the next year's Youth Programs will be reduced, therefore reducing the funding available for that year's Youth Programs. Please consider any amount to donate to YEP, every donation is important to our YEP Goal and to the Youth who participate in and benefit from our KC Youth Programs.

Many Councils have completed their fund raising program for YEP for the 2011-2012 year, but it is never too late to start. Has your Council implemented their plans for the Youth Expansion Program? Please

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Convention Rules



As officers and delegates prepare to depart for this year's State Convention, we urge them to read the following resume of rules that will be applicable for business sessions of the annual meeting. It may be a good idea to bring this article with you.

THE STATE COUNCIL

What makes up the State Council? The State Council consists of the Grand Knight and a past Grand Knight, referred to as delegates, from each subordinate council in good standing in the state; the elected State Officers and the State Chaplain; the immediate Past State Deputy. All of these Brother Knights have both a voice and a vote at the State Council Meeting (Convention).

ATTENDANCE AT STATE CONVENTION

Who attends State Council Meetings (Convention)? All members of State Council and all members of State Family are expected to attend. The State Council has been defined above. The State Family consists of State Officers, the Past State Deputies, the State Chairmen, District Deputies, Diocesan Chaplains, Chapter Presidents, General Insurance Agents, President of Financial Secretaries Association and the State Office Administrator. The State Officers and delegates as defined above have both a voice and vote in the State Council Meeting. Past State Deputies, other than the last living Past State Deputy, and District Deputies, shall be permitted the privilege of membership in State Council, but without the right to vote therein.

WHO MAY SPEAK AT CONVENTION

State Chairmen, who are not otherwise members of said State Council, have the right to speak on questions pertaining to the functions of their particular committees, but without the right to vote therein. The Financial Secretaries of all Councils are expected to attend the State Convention as the meeting of the State Financial Secretaries Association is held during the Convention. The Financial Secretaries have neither voice nor vote in the State Council Meeting. Any Third Degree member is entitled to attend the State Convention as a visitor, but has neither voice nor vote in State Council Meetings. The State Council, can, on request, however, grant the privileges of the floor to a Third Degree member of the Order.

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

In order that business of the State Council may be efficiently conducted, these rules are to be followed. All delegates and State Family sit in designated sections of meeting hall. The State Family sits in one section and the delegates sit in District groups with their respective District Deputies. All visitors sit in rear of these groups.

ELECTIONS & ROLL CALL

The State Council elects the State Officers and delegates to the Supreme Council (Convention) annually. To expedite this election, the reading of a permanent roll of the State Council and the election are combined in one operation whenever possible.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS & DELEGATES

State Council Officers are, in their order of precedence: The State Deputy, State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Advocate, and State Warden. The Immediate Past State Deputy is an ex-officio officer and these men select the State Chaplain. Our Jurisdiction is large enough in membership to be entitled to maximum representation at the Supreme Council Meetings - five (5) insurance delegates and five (5) associate delegates.

ELECTION OF ALTERNATES AS WELL

Our State Council Meetings will elect four (4) insurance and four (4) associate delegates. The State Deputy is ex-officio an insurance delegate and the Immediate Past State Deputy is ex-officio an associate delegate. The State Council also elects five (5) alternates for the insurance delegates and five (5) alternates for the associate delegates. In electing delegates and alternates no majority of the votes cast is necessary. They are elected according to their plurality of votes. Section 4, subdivision 7 (c) of the Charter, Constitution and the Laws of the Order provides that "Vacancies created by the inability of representatives to attend the Supreme Council Meeting shall be filled by the alternate in the order of the precedence, according to the vote electing them, provided that only insurance alternates shall fill vacancies for insurance representatives." In case of a tie vote, the State Deputy shall designate which one shall serve. If the alternate above provided for is not present, the next in order who is present may fill the vacancy. Names on the ballot are printed in alphabetical order.

MUST SUBMIT WRITTEN INFO ON NOMINEE

When making a nomination for a State Office or Supreme Council delegate or alternate, the nominator must submit A WRITTEN NOMINATION on the nominee listing his full name (no nicknames), KC membership number, mailing address with zip code, and KC Insurance Certificate number is being nominated for State Deputy or Insurance Delegate or Insurance Alternate. This written nomination must be submitted to State Secretary or his designate at the time the nomination is made on the floor.

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take the five (5) question quiz below to determine your YEP Status .

1. I am not having a problem communicating the **Importance of the Youth Expansion Program (YEP)** to our Council Members. (True or False)

2. I know where the **YEP Budget Funds** were spent this year. (True or False)

3. I know the amount of our **Council YEP Goal (YEP Quota)**. (True or False)

4. I am not meeting any resistance **raising funds** from our Council to implement a **YEP Council Plan** to achieve our Council YEP Goal. (True or False)

5. I have already discussed **YEP at our Council Meeting**. (True or False)

If you answered **True** to all five statements, Congratulations, your Council is on it's way to implementing a successful YEP Plan to achieve it's Council YEP Goal.

If you answered **False** to any one of the five statements above, you should read the Sept 2011 YEP Newsletter, which can be located on the state Web Site. Information is available in the Newsletter which can help change the answers to the statements above from False to True. The Sept 2011 YEP Newsletter was also sent to your Area Coordinators and District Deputies for distribution to the Grand Knights and their Councils. The Sept 2011 YEP Newsletter can be read at your Council Meeting to satisfy the State Deputy's requirement for a YEP Presentation to obtain points towards the State Deputy's Award.

Council Goals or Quotas were

distributed to each Council at KCLS and are also posted on the State Website. The deadline for submittal of YEP Contributions to obtain points towards the State Deputy's Award is April 5, 2012.

The important and meaningful reason for your Council YEP contributions is to support the Youth Programs funding, budgeted by the Louisiana KC State Council.

Below are the 2011-2012 KC LA State Budget for YEP funding of the following Youth Programs (\$170,000).

- Catholic Youth Leadership Awards — \$32,000
- Catholic Student Centers — \$25,000 (Distributed to Seven Dioceses)
- Seminarian and Vocations Support — \$ 6,000
- Columbian Squires — \$ 5,000
- Pro-Life Camp — \$30,000 (Camp Joshua & other Youth Camps)
- Diocesan Scouting Awards — \$ 4,500
- Youth Retreats — \$ 3,000 (Squires and Youth Retreats)
- Soccer Challenge — \$ 3,000
- Free Throw Competition — \$ 6,000
- Other Youth Programs — \$12,000 (Youth Rally, Special Olympics, etc)
- St Mary's Training Facility — \$ 8,500
- Purchase Ultra Sound Machines — \$35,000 (Supreme Fund Match for add \$35K)

The YEP Budget will again provide funds for the purchase of an Ultra Sound Imaging Machine. The Knights of Columbus Supreme

Council will again provide matching funds to any donation towards an Ultra Sound Imaging Machine, which will enable the Knights of Columbus Louisiana State Council to donate two (2) Ultra Sound Imaging Machines in the State of Louisiana to Women's Pro Life Centers this year.

The State Family thanks you for your support of YEP and looks forward to meeting our 2011-2012 YEP Goals. May God bless you, your family and your Council for your support of our Youth and Unborn through your generous participation in YEP.



John Boudreaux
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Greetings Dear Brothers,

We are very quickly approaching our State Convention, for this reason I am writing to inform you of very important news. In order for your delegates to be seated at the convention your council must pay all per capita taxes and any open invoices. I also have just received a letter from our Supreme Secretary serving as a reminder that councils must pay any financial obligations due the Supreme Council in order to

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Past Bishop Greco Memorial Award Winners

1964: St. Gabriel Council 3796, St. Gabriel

Larry Peltier, GK, \$3.35 per member (10 councils eligible)

1965: Arch. Chapelle 3465, New Orleans

John Puissegur, GK, \$3.45 per member (19 councils eligible)

1966: DeLaSalle Council 3411, New Orleans

Leonard Schopp, GK, \$3.44 per member (22 councils eligible)

1967: St. Gabriel Council 3796, St. Gabriel

Paul J. LeBlanc, GK, \$3.67 per member (26 councils eligible)

1968: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

John Caldwell, GK, \$4.22 per member (30 councils eligible)

1969: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

George Arceneaux, GK, \$5.01 per member (38 councils eligible)

1970: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

George Arceneaux, GK, \$5.33 per member (47 councils eligible)

1971: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

L.F. Birdsong, GK, \$5.41 per member (54 councils eligible)

1972: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

William Kropog, GK, \$5.63 per member (57 councils eligible)

1973: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

George Arceneaux, GK, \$5.63 per member (52 councils eligible)

1974: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

Lester Hagen, GK, \$5.94 per member (61 councils eligible)

1975: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

Lester Hagen, GK, \$6.56 per member (66 councils eligible)

1976: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

Malcolm Adams, GK, \$7.70 per member (67 councils eligible)

1977: Msgr. Wynhoven Council 3091, Westwego

Robert Autin, GK, \$9.40 per member (70 councils eligible)

1978: Msgr. Wynhoven Council 3091, Westwego

Guy Wade, GK, \$9.22 per member (73 councils eligible)

1979: Msgr. Wynhoven Council 3091, Westwego

Jake De Matteo, GK, \$9.17 per member (79 councils eligible)

1980: Msgr. Wynhoven Council 3091, Westwego

Douglas Melancon Sr, GK, \$9.14 per member (76 councils eligible)

1981: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

Karl Starns III, GK, \$9.24 per member (79 councils eligible)

1982: Fr. Placide Dobyns 1819, Bogalusa

Karl Starns III, GK, \$9.70 per member (83 councils eligible)

1983: Leesville Council 4156, Leesville

Felicisimo Pilola, GK, \$10.43 per member (87 councils eligible)

1984: Vinton Council 6103, Vinton

Norris Simon, GK, \$13.66 per member (91 councils eligible)

1985: Vinton Council 6103, Vinton

Mayo Dupree Jr. GK, \$18.54 per member (40 councils eligible)

1986: Vinton Council 6103, Vinton

William Miller, GK, \$20.93 per member (40 councils eligible)

1987: Vinton Council 6103, Vinton

Rene Hanks Jr., GK, \$22.33 per member (39 councils eligible)

1988: Marian Council 3779, Shreveport

Charles Mejia III, GK, \$19.01 per member (36 councils eligible)

1989: Marian Council 3779, Shreveport

Adam Markaverich, GK, \$20.82 per member (33 councils eligible)

1990: Marian Council 3779, Shreveport

Adam Markaverich, GK, \$22.19 per member (32 councils eligible)

1991: Marian Council 3779, Shreveport

Robert Truitt, GK, \$23.32 per member (25 councils eligible)

1992: Marian Council 3779, Shreveport

Robert Truitt, GK, \$23.45 per member (24 councils eligible)

1993: Marian Council 3779, Shreveport

Leonard Driver, GK, \$23.34 per member (21 councils eligible)

1994: Marian Council 3779, Shreveport

Leonard Driver, GK, \$23.24 per member (25 councils eligible)

1995: John F. Kennedy Council 2952, Hammond

Santo Falconello, GK, \$12.31 per member (17 councils eligible)

1996: St. Joseph the Worker Council 9384, Marrero

Howard Robicheaux, GK, \$48.26 per member (17 councils eligible)

1997: St. Joseph the Worker Council 9384, Marrero

Charles Green, GK, \$49.06 per member (15 councils eligible)

1998: St. Joseph the Worker Council 9384, Marrero

Charles Green, GK, \$45.60 per member (17 councils eligible)

1999: Edward J. Stoulig Council 3528, Kenner

Gerald Schroeder, GK, \$15.88 per member (22 councils eligible)

2000: Houma Council 1317, Houma

Kenneth B. Givens, GK, \$11.68 per member (24 councils eligible)

2001: Our Lady of Fatima Council 3470, Lafayette

Roy F. Walker, GK, \$11.36 per member (23 councils eligible)

2002: Our Lady of Fatima Council 3470, Lafayette

Roy F. Walker, GK, \$11.53 per member (23 councils eligible)

2003: Fr. Richard Donahue Council 8805, DeQuincy

Mike Moreau, GK, \$12.45 per member (23 councils eligible)

2004: Fr. Richard Donahue Council 8805, DeQuincy

Mike Moreau, GK, \$13.12 per member (22 councils eligible)

2005: Fr. Richard Donahue Council 8805, DeQuincy

Joseph T. Mueller, GK, \$13.81 per member (213 councils eligible)

2006: Fr. Richard Donahue Council 8805, DeQuincy

Joseph T. Mueller, GK, \$14.17 per member (19 councils eligible)

2007: Fr. James Clement Council 6389, St. Amant

Blake A. Leblanc, GK, \$12.17 per member (24 councils eligible)

2008: Fr. James Clement Council 6389, St. Amant

Blake A. Leblanc, GK, \$12.35 per member (24 councils eligible)

2009: Fr. James Clement Council 6389, St. Amant

Coy M. Moran, GK, \$12.57 per member (25 councils eligible)

2010: Fr. James Clement Council 6389, St. Amant

Coy M. Moran, GK, \$12.67 per member (25 councils eligible)

2011: Fr. James Clement Council 6389, St. Amant

Coy M. Moran, GK, \$12.28 per member (24 councils eligible)

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be seated at the State Convention. Supreme Secretary Charles E. Maurer, Jr. refers to; Section 57 of the Laws of the Order, which provides that Councils failing to pay both Supreme and State Council assessments and charges within the time specified by the respective Supreme and State Council By-laws shall not be entitled to representation at the State Council meeting until all assessments due are paid and any arrears are paid as well. So please send in your assessments.

I am looking forward to our convention in Baton Rouge. Vince Whittington and his convention committee have been working very hard to ensure that we will have a great convention. I am really looking forward to the Crawfish Boil, with live music provided by NaNa Sha, a 50's show band from Gonzales. In fact some of the members of the band are members of the Knights of Columbus, so I am very sure it will be great fun.

Finally, our State Deputy will be sending out appointments for the convention committees. If you are appointed to my committee, I wish to thank you in advance for your assistance. We will run the elections and credentials. So we have a very important job ahead of us, but I am very confident that with your help we will do just fine.

May God bless you and your families, may God continue to bless



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Many state council activities have taken place since the first of the year including the State Cook-Off, State Bowling Tournament and State Basketball Tournament. As opposed to writing about each event, I will list the results of each event, with accompanying photos, when available.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Council 8901, Lafayette, for the help with the Cook-Off, Larry Miller and his staff for conducting another quality bowling event, and Jerry Corona and Council 9347, Metairie, for their help with the State Basketball Championship. Without these brothers and councils, the events would have not succeeded.

Please check your calendar for

State Bowling Results

Team Competition Score

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| 1. The R C's | 2569 |
| 2. M P Bowling | 2506 |
| 3. Swinga's | 2468 |
| 4. Youngsville-Lafayette | 2416 |
| 5. St. Edmond | 2412 |
| 6. St. Basil | 2379 |
| 7. BD & HR | 2376 |
| 8. Estherwood #3 | 2352 |
| 9. Msgr. Bergeron #1 | 2344 |
| 10. Do-R-Die | 2336 |

Doubles Competition

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| 1. Boudreaux/Weber | 1413 |
| 2. Gaspard/Suire | 1308 |
| 3. Martin/Martin | 1301 |
| 4. Domingue/Cormier | 1296 |
| 5. Gaspard/Thibodeaux | 1294 |
| 6. Miller/Sergi | 1254 |
| 7. East/Savoie | 1250 |
| 8. Vitrano/Vitrano | 1239 |
| 9. Hart/Wainright | 1236 |
| 10. Roy/Roy | 1232 |

Singles Competition

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| 1. Scott Boudreaux | 793 |
| 2. Butch Cormier | 685 |
| 3. Edward Falgoust | 675 |
| 4. David Lanoix | 663 |
| 5. Joe Roppolo | 662 |
| 6. Allen Weber, Jr. | 661 |
| 7. Don Albert | 656 |
| 8. Daniel Wedge, Jr. | 654 |
| 8. George Martin | 654 |
| 10. Paul Broussard | 651 |
| 11. Kermit Helo, III | 647 |
| 12. Daniel Krennerich | 646 |
| 13. Ralph Rivet, Jr. | 644 |
| 14. Alvin Romero | 641 |
| 15. John Sergi, Jr. | 638 |

All Events

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| 1. Scott Boudreaux | 2078 |
| 2. Butch Cormier | 2064 |
| . David Suire | 1936 |
| . Allen Weber, Jr. | 1932 |
| . Neil Gaspard | 1908 |
| . Justin Hargrave | 1883 |
| . John Sergi, Jr. | 1881 |
| . Cory Domingue | 1871 |
| . Don Albert | 1871 |
| 0. Jeffrey Vitrano | 1866 |

Mixed Doubles

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|---------------------|------|
| . Roy/White | 1452 |
| . Becnel/Becnel | 1270 |
| . Cormier/Cormier | 1257 |
| . Trahan/Trahan | 1197 |
| . Manuel/Thibodeaux | 1174 |



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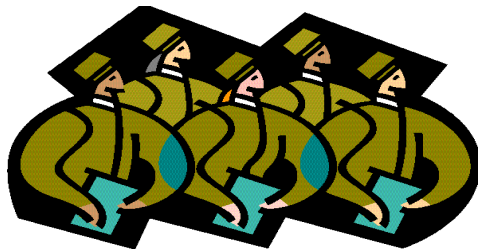
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Former CYLA Winners

A KC pilot program in 1959 honored Joel Jude Moreau of Hessmer and Donald Mayeux of Mamou, a Eunice attorney. Formalized by action at the 1959 convention, the KC's Catholic Youth Leadership awards have been annually presented ever since with girl honorees being added in 1971. Our former winners are as follows:

1960 Laverne Thomas III of Baton Rouge High
 1961 Lawrence P. Simon Jr., Catholic High, New Iberia
 1962 Charles W. Thomas, St. Mary's High, Natchitoches
 1963 Harry Johnson III, Jesuit High, New Orleans
 1964 Howard G. Maestri, Jesuit High, New Orleans
 1965 Joseph E. LeBlanc Jr., Fatima High, Lafayette
 1966 Jeffrey Paul Chicola, Menard High, Alexandria
 1967 Timothy C. Flynn, Catholic High, Baton Rouge
 1968 Edwin L. Goss II of Harahan, Jesuit High, Nw Orlns
 1969 Richard William Richoux, Cor Jesuit High, Nw Orlns
 1970 Timothy McElroy, Terrebonne High, Houma
 1971 Mary M. Voelkel, Mt. Carmel, New Orleans
 1971 Katry M. Martin, Notre Dame, Crowley
 1972 Mary Odille Broussard, Cathedral Carmel, Lafayette
 1972 Henry C. Perret, Fatima High, Lafayette
 1973 Rene Lorio, Hahnville High
 1973 Kathy Robichaux, Mercy High School, St. Martinville
 1974 Julie Theresa Dartez, St. Louis High, Lake Charles
 1974 Robert Scott Appleby, Jesuit High, Shreveport
 1975 GERALYN ANNE BERGERON, Vandebilt High, Houma
 1975 Mark Delesdernier III, Holy Cross, New Orleans
 1976 Michelle Ann John, Notre Dame, Crowley
 1976 Jay James Luke, Vandebilt High, Houma
 1977 Julie Cowan, St. Vincent, Shreveport
 1977 Mark Zielinski, Catholic High, Baton Rouge
 1978 Erin Fury, Chapelle High, Metairie
 1978 Dana Fouchi, Rummel High, Metairie
 1979 Mary Kate Mahoney, Broadmoor High, Baton Rouge

1979 Charles Duane Lemaire, East Ascension High, Gnzls
 1980 Kimberly Marie Guillory, St. Edmond High, Eunice
 1980 Wade Paul Richard, Crowley High School
 1981 Peggy Fontenot, Fatima High, Lafayette
 1981 Jonathan Huckaby, St. Edmond High, Eunice
 1982 Laura Claverie, Archbishop Blenk High, Gretna
 1982 Michael Black, Jesuit High, Shreveport
 1983 Charlotte Chatelain, St. Joseph High, Plaucheville
 1983 Bryan Sibley, Crowley High School
 1984 Rene Gravois, Baton Rouge High School
 1984 David Smith, Archbishop Rummel High, Metairie
 1985 Stephanie Marie Andry, Slidell High School
 1985 Michael Knoblock, E.D. White High, Thibodaux
 1986 Sandra Mary Banowetz, Vandebilt High, Houma
 1986 Richard "Chad" Haydel, Vandebilt High, Houma
 1987 Dru Erin McGovern, East Ascension High, Gonzales
 1987 Douglas Edwin Politz, Catholic High, Baton Rouge
 1988 Shawn E Carney, Academy of Sacred Heart, Esthrwd
 1988 Jared Michael Guidry, South Lafourche High, Larose
 1989 Ann Robin Raspberry, Iota High School
 1989 Douglas T. McHaffie, Archbishop Shaw, Marrero
 1990 Allison Defatta, Parkway High, Bossier City
 1990 Monte Danos, South Lafourche High, Cut Off
 1991 Allison Williams, Terrebonne High School, Houma
 1991 Ethan Cheramie, South Lafourche High, Gldn Meadow
 1992 Bridge Rideau, Ursuline Academy, Harvey
 1992 Stephen A. Morgan Jr, Jesuit High School, Jefferson
 1993 Courtney A. Schexnayder, St. Charles High, LaPlace
 1993 James F. deMahy, Catholic High of New Iberia
 1994 Stephanie Francis Resweber, St. Martinville Sr High
 1994 Kelly James Boudreaux Jr, St. Martinville Sr High
 1995 Deanna Miller, Catholic High of Pointe Coupee,
 1995 Robbie Gautreau, South Lafourche High School, Larose
 1996 Amy Mediamolle, St. Scholastica, Mandeville
 1996 Michael E. Paulhs, Jesuit High School, Metairie
 1997 Amy Glass, St. Scholastica, Mandeville
 1997 Craig Cancienne, Fountainbleu High School, Mandeville
 1998 Lisa C. Birdsall, South Lafourche High, Cut Off
 1998 Brandon C. Briscoe, Jesuit High School, New Orleans
 1999 Suzanne Beaud, Catholic of Pointe Coupee, New Roads
 1999 Chris Kaleel, Oakdale High School, Oakdale
 2000 Valerie Lewis, Evans High School, Leesville
 2000 Brandon Thibodeaux, Erath High School, Erath
 2001 Cora Firmin, Sacred Heart High School, Ville Platte
 2001 David Begnaud, Teurlings Catholic High, Lafayette
 2002 Gretchen LaCombe, Iota High School, Iota
 2002 Logan Smith, Catholic of Pointe Coupee, New Roads
 2003 Celina Allemand, South Lafourche High School, Cut Off
 2003 Bo J. Danos, South Lafourche High School, Cut Off
 2004 Heidi Huckabee, Southwood High School, Shreveport
 2004 Zachary W. Rathke, Bossier High School, Bossier City
 2005 Katie L. Collins, South Lafourche High School, Cut Off
 2005 Robert Lazarine, Jr., Archbishop Rummel High, Kenner
 2006 Lindsey N. Rome, Cent Lafourche High School, Mathews
 2006 Matthew Wallace, Caddo Parish Magnet, Shreveport
 2007 Katie Rimmer, Notre Dame High School, Crowley
 2007 Blandon David, Notre Dame High School, Crowley
 2008 Lindsay Walker, Vandebilt Catholic High School, Houma
 2008 William Dunckelman, Houma Christian High, Houma
 2009 Brittany L. David, Notre Dame High School, Crowley
 2009 Trevor Boudreaux, E. D. White High School, Thibodaux
 2010 Alyssa Watkins, Lacassine High School, Lacassine
 2010 Stephen Whipple, St. Fredrick, Monroe
 2011 Amanda LeBlanc, Vermilion Catholic, Abbeville
 2011 Glenn D. Gilyot, Jr., St. Augustine, New Orleans



Once again, the Louisiana State Council
 will participate in the
 Louisiana Open Raffle Ticket Program.
 Tickets sell for \$10 each.

Your Council Makes \$7 for every ticket sold.
 Your Council has NO EXPOSURE or EXPENSE.
 Tickets were distributed at Grand Knights Day.
 Put this fund raiser on your calendar,
 and reap the reward\$\$\$.



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Grand Knights, Council Officers, District Deputies, Area Coordinators, and my Brother Knights, always remembering Bishop's Programs is helping your Pastor, Diocese and parishioners with their commitment of being good shepherds.

We must implement, and assist the other council members with new programs to work in support of the Church Pastor goals. Get better acquainted with the things you may accomplish as a group to help your Diocese.

You need to have confidence, be patience and do not get discourage.

Say to yourself "I will always try my best".

Permit me to remind ourselves that in January, Community Director Cliston M. Guillot said "Lend a Hand" and rally other organizations in your community to work with your council to provide information and in addressing community problems"

He provided us with a list of activities that were submitted by the councils throughout the state for the 2010 -2011 year for each of the Community Activity programs.

Please review the list with your Pastor and use these suggestions to plan and execute your community activities for the coming year.

Community Director Cliston M.Guillot also provided us with the grading form suggestions and comments.

Community Activity Programs (See CD you received Grand Knights Day 2012)

- Civic Involvement
- Environment
- Public Safety
- Health Services
- Decency

Volunteerism
A Grading Form Suggestions and Comments

You will find Bishop's and Pastor's programs in the Community Programs listed.

Vivat Jesus!!



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Natural Disasters: How Your Council and Families Can Help Communities

The recent violent tornadoes in the United States have killed many people, displaced countless others, and devastated entire communities.

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Career Opportunities

Available with Knights of Columbus

Looking for practical Catholic men who have some sales experience, an outgoing personality, trustworthy, competitive, aggressive and is looking for a career serving brother knights & their families.

Position includes group life, medical insurance, disability insurance, plus a pension plan and 401K.

- Kirk Duplantis- 225.295.1090 - kirk.duplantis@kofc.org
- Terry Kennedy - 985.649.2703 - terry.kennedy@kofc.org
- Scott Willis - 337.562.2128 - scott.willis@kofc.org

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As many now struggle with the aftermath of these natural disasters and try to rebuild their lives and communities, these are some of the ways that Councils and/or families can help.

Make a Donation

These charitable organizations provide assistance to people affected by crises and natural disasters; most accept donations.

- * American Red Cross (ARC)
- * Doctors Without Borders
- * International Rescue Committee
- * Mercy Corps
- * Partners in Health

It's OK if your Council or family doesn't have a lot to give. Every donation, regardless of size, helps to rebuild communities that are hit by natural disasters.

Lend a Hand

While monetary donations are always appreciated, they're not the only way that Councils and/or fami-



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lies can get involved. Here are some active ways that you can help out:

* Donate clothes, food, or other items. Check with your local ARC chapter, community center (like the YMCA), or your church parish to find out whether you can drop off donations or if there's another way your council and/or family can contribute. You might suggest donating your time to help sort through donations and/or delivering goods to families affected by the disaster.

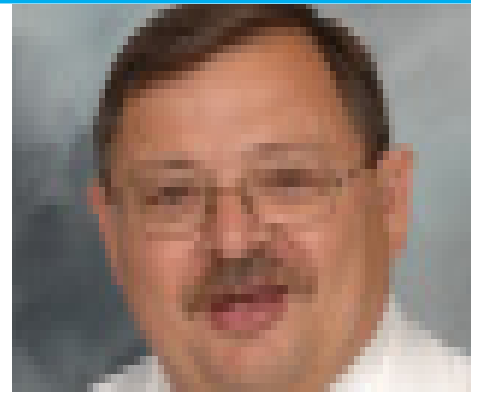
* Organize a fundraiser. Perhaps your Council can help your church parish or local school organize a fundraiser to collect money or supplies for disaster victims. For a donation drive, ask the organization you'd like to donate to whether it needs the items you plan to send. Sometimes, charities get too many donations and have to spend money storing or handling the excess items.

* Organize a community event. Talk to your church parish, child's school, or community center about organizing a walk, run, bake sale, fish fry, BBQ dinners or other activity to raise money.

If your Council isn't able to help out right now, consider contributing in the coming weeks or months. With the degree of damage in disaster-struck areas, the need for donations and funds will be ongoing and your Council's/family's contribution will be appreciated just as much in the future.

Why it Matters

Volunteering your Council's time, money, or efforts not only helps the community, but also sets a good example for your kids and family. Helping others, especially collectively as a family, can be one of the most fun and rewarding experi-



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The theme for this fraternal year's state convention will be "Swamp Knights" and will be held in Baton Rouge on May 4-5-6, 2012. We start with a Golf Tournament Friday and a crawfish boil on Friday night at the **Rural Life Museum**. You will have a tour of the museum and entertainment by dance band "Na Na Sha". Since last issue we have secured a beer wagon from Mockler. Everyone will be issued 3 drink tickets which can be used for soft drinks, bottled water, or beer. If you need more drink than that, please bring your own ice chest. We will also have children's entertainment that night for anyone over 3 years of age. There will also be children's entertainment through out the weekend.

The Crown Plaza is full but there are many other hotels available, please see registration packet or online for details. I suggest you make your reservation as most blocks will be released soon and you will pay more for your room, check dates on registration.

Please come out and enjoy what



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FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2012

| | | |
|------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 8:00am - Noon | KC Insurance Agent Seminar | Crowne Plaza Hotel |
| 11:00am - 5:00pm | Convention Golf Scramble | The Island GC, Plaquemine |
| 1:00pm - 6:00pm | Convention Registration/Credentials | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Atrium Area |
| 5:00pm - 6:00pm | Memorial Mass | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 1 & 2 |
| 6:30pm - 11:00pm | Convention Crawfish Boil | Rural Life Museum, Baton Rouge |
| 8:00pm - 11:00pm | State Deputy/Rummel Council Hospitality | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Rooms 253 & 254 |
| 8:00pm - 11:00pm | Hospitality Suites | Embassy Suites & Marriott Hotel |

SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2012

| | | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| 7:00am - Noon | Convention Registration | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Atrium Area |
| 7:00am - 10:00am | Convention Credentials | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Atrium Area |
| 7:00am - Noon | Convention Exhibits | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Atrium Area |
| 8:00am - 9:00am | Marion Hour of Prayer | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 2 & 3 |
| 9:00am - 10:00am | Committee Meetings | |
| | Audit | Crowne Plaza Hotel, River Boat |
| | Budget & Finance | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Creole Queen |
| | Chaplain's | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Executive Board Room |
| | Conventions | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Chairman's Library |
| | Elections | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Executive Board Room |
| | Felicitations | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Patio Grille Lounge |
| | Good of the Order | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Mississippi Queen |
| | Memorials | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Delta Queen |
| | Minutes | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Samuel Clemens |
| | Presentations | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Natchez |
| | Wardens | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 2 & 3 |
| 9:00am - 12:00pm | Financial Secretary Assn. Meeting | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 2 |
| 9:00am - 12:00pm | Ladies Auxiliary Meeting | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 1 |
| 9:00am - 12:00pm | Children's Entertainment | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Bayou & Levee |
| Rooms | | |
| 10:15am - 12:30pm | Opening General Session | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 2 & 3 |
| 12noon - 1:30pm | Ladies Dutch Treat Luncheon | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 1 |
| 12:30pm - 2:30pm | Lunch Provided by KC Insurance | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Rooms 253 & 254 |
| 1:30pm | Pro-Life Oratory Contest | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Mississippi & Delta |
| Queen | | |
| 3:45pm | Dias Seating Assignment | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 1 |
| 4:00pm - 5:30pm | Convention Mass | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 2 & 3 |
| 5:30pm - 6:30pm | Convention Pre-Banquet Social | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 2 & Atrium |
| 5:30pm - 6:30pm | Protocol | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 1 |
| 6:30pm - 10:00pm | Convention Banquet | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 1, 2 & 3 |
| 9:00pm - 11:00pm | State Deputy/Rummel Council Hospitality | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Rooms 253 & 254 |
| 9:00pm - 11:00pm | Hospitality Suites | Embassy Suites & Marriott Hotel |



SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2012

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|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 7:00am - 8:30am | Breakfast Buffet | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 1 |
| 7:00am - 8:30am | Convention Elections | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 1 |
| 7:00am - Noon | Convention Exhibits | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Atrium Area |
| 8:30am - 9:00am | Convention Rosary | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 2 & 3 |
| 9:00am - Noon | Closing General Session | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Premier 2 & 3 |
| 9:00am - 11:00am | Financial Secretary Assn. Meeting | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cypress 2 |
| 9:00am - 11:00am | Children's Entertainment | Crowne Plaza Hotel, Bayou & Levee |
| Rooms | | |

KC Convention Office Located in Crowne Plaza Executive Board Room



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Membership The Lifeblood Of Our Organization

Brothers, we are having a banner year in the membership arena. Through almost three quarters of this Columbian year we are bumping 68% of goal. We are listed as number eight in the race for circle of honor. With many distractions ahead of us we need to stay focused on the guideline set forth by our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGiveny,

that every Catholic Man a Knight. We have added to date 948 new brothers to the Louisiana Jurisdiction with a goal of 1400. I am confident that this month of March will close with overwhelming results. This being the month of BLITZ I expect our numbers to surge. Already the Bragging has begun with councils hosting degrees with 8, 15 and 20 new brothers. We must host as many degrees as we can even if it is for one new brother knight.

I am distressed that 104 councils have yet to record one new Brother Knight this Columbian year. This means that two thirds of us are carrying the weight of the others. Please use the rest of this Columbian year to recruit, retain and readmit brothers to the order. Supreme will provide you with all the literature you need if you only ask for it. Its FREE! You pay the postage and order what you want. They have even provided a pre filled out "Blitz" literature request. All you need do is fill it out and fax it in. I am attaching a list of those councils yet to recruit one new brother Knight for audit purposes.

We have 22 councils suspended with 548 brothers in limbo. These need to be addressed by the DD's to whom they are assigned.

Gentlemen, my tenure as State Membership Director is rapidly heading to a close. I have enjoyed working with all of you. I know for some I have been a pain but Membership is the life of your council. Without new blood, new ideas, removal of speed bumps, your council will end up on the suspended list. Don't let this happen. There is so much fun and satisfaction by being a member of the state family. If you have interest in doing so please contact the state office and advise them of your interest. We can always use new ideas. Once again thanks to everyone for four years of recruiting, cleaning up your rosters, working the programs, and getting the job done. I really need everyone to get involved for the next three months in the recruiting process. The membership awards will be given out at KCLS in July. Remember, this is an intake award. The three councils who have the largest intake over goal in the three divisions will go home with the coveted "TOP GUN" LOGOED SHIRT AWARD for 5 brothers and 5 of the Ladies who helped them recruit.

The horses are at the 3/4 mile pole, some are still at the gate, give it all you have to earn the STAR COUNCIL award for your council. Give it all you have to earn the V.I.P AWARD for yourself. Give it all you can to earn the KNIGHT IN SHINNING ARMOUR AWARD. In giving thanks for the past two years of great leadership by our SD

I am Knights of Columbus.

EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE

All exemplifications in this schedule shall be conducted in the second and third degrees ONLY, by order of State Deputy Ronnie Boudreaux. Only those exemplifications approved by the State Deputy are listed and councils are urged to present their candidates to the Exemplification in their areas.

| Date | District Deputy | Host Council |
|----------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 04.21.12 | D.D. Donald Hebert (52) | Alexandria 13505 |
| 04.29.12 | D.D. George Wedge (6) | Gretna 1905 |
| 05.20.12 | D.D. Wayne Duhon (31) | New Iberia 12997 |
| 05.26.12 | D.D. Gasper Corpora (12) | Hammond 2952 |

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Membership

Membership Statistics from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Statistics as of 12.01.11

| Co# | Location | Quota | NET | Co# | Location | Quota | NET |
|-------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| 0714 | New Orleans | 3 | 0 | 3068 | New Orleans | 7 | 0 |
| 0969 | Baton Rouge | 7 | 2 | 3088 | Hessmer | 4 | -2 |
| 0970 | Plaquemine | 20 | 10 | 3091 | Westwego | 9 | 3 |
| 1087 | Donaldsonville | 12 | 6 | 3150 | Cut Off | 15 | 1 |
| 1099 | Napoleonville | 18 | 0 | 3200 | Alexandria | 7 | 5 |
| 1108 | Shreveport | 6 | 1 | 3202 | Lafayette | 10 | 1 |
| 1114 | Thibodaux | 27 | -8 | 3208 | Lake Charles | 9 | -2 |
| 1134 | Alexandria | 11 | 0 | 3246 | New Orleans | 8 | 1 |
| 1173 | Opelousas | 4 | 1 | 3298 | Baton Rouge | 8 | 1 |
| 1199 | Cottonport | 4 | 2 | 3331 | Baton Rouge | 7 | 0 |
| 1208 | New Iberia | 6 | 8 | 3353 | Oberlin | 5 | 1 |
| 1217 | Marksville | 11 | 1 | 3356 | Cecilia | 3 | 0 |
| 1276 | St. Martinville | 7 | 4 | 3399 | Krotz Springs | 33 | 0 |
| 1286 | Lafayette | 7 | 10 | 3407 | Shreveport | 13 | 3 |
| 1317 | Houma | 11 | 1 | 3409 | Opelousas | 7 | 0 |
| 1337 | Monroe | 8 | 1 | 3411 | New Orleans | 5 | 15 |
| 1357 | Natchitoches | 16 | 6 | 3425 | New Iberia | 8 | 0 |
| 1373 | Morgan City | 6 | -2 | 3465 | Metairie | 3 | 0 |
| 1420 | Franklin | 5 | 1 | 3470 | Lafayette | 6 | 2 |
| 1425 | Jeanerette | 5 | -1 | 3475 | Elton | 13 | 0 |
| 1437 | New Orleans | 16 | 8 | 3496 | Port Barre | 9 | 4 |
| 1514 | Vacherie | 15 | 3 | 3528 | Kenner | 6 | 0 |
| 1710 | Patterson | 12 | 1 | 3534 | Oakdale | 4 | 0 |
| 1724 | Algiers | 6 | 1 | 3621 | Arnaudville | 6 | 1 |
| 1745 | Eunice | 5 | 0 | 3622 | Moss Bluff | 10 | 0 |
| 1754 | Ville Platte | 6 | -1 | 3634 | Norco | 16 | 4 |
| 1817 | Gramercy | 16 | 4 | 3642 | West Monroe | 8 | 1 |
| 1819 | Bogalusa | 8 | 3 | 3662 | Basile | 3 | 6 |
| 1897 | Rayne | 8 | 2 | 3729 | New Orleans | 17 | -3 |
| 1905 | Gretna | 16 | 6 | 3743 | Baton Rouge | 9 | 18 |
| 1988 | Washington | 3 | 0 | 3779 | Shreveport | 13 | -4 |
| 1998 | New Roads | 4 | 2 | 3796 | St Gabriel | 7 | 0 |
| 2012 | Jennings | 11 | 5 | 3854 | Harahan | 9 | 9 |
| 2142 | Plaucheville | 4 | 1 | 3857 | DeRidder | 8 | -4 |
| 2150 | Morganza | 5 | 14 | 3870 | Duson | 30 | 0 |
| 2281 | Abbeville | 13 | 2 | 3872 | Erath | 13 | -11 |
| 2395 | Bunkie | 6 | 0 | 3923 | Jefferson | 4 | 0 |
| 2398 | Breaux Bridge | 10 | -6 | 4010 | Mansura | 9 | 2 |
| 2409 | Luling | 16 | 2 | 4023 | Leonville | 6 | 0 |
| 2432 | Mansfield | 3 | -6 | 4030 | Baton Rouge | 20 | 14 |
| 2436 | Reserve | 9 | 0 | 4085 | Baker | 6 | 2 |
| 2504 | Church Point | 9 | 0 | 4088 | Minden | 11 | 0 |
| 2657 | Prairieville | 17 | -2 | 4156 | Leesville | 11 | 7 |
| 2675 | Mamou | 4 | 0 | 4222 | Marrero | 9 | -6 |
| 2732 | Slidell | 13 | 34 | 4309 | Centerville | 9 | 0 |
| 2807 | Baton Rouge | 14 | -1 | 4346 | White Castle | 33 | 0 |
| 2855 | Welsh | 10 | 6 | 4508 | Metairie | 4 | -4 |
| 2875 | Port Allen | 10 | 0 | 4547 | New Orleans | 3 | 1 |
| 2878 | Metairie | 10 | 2 | 4562 | Lake Charles | 16 | 2 |
| 2893 | Kinder | 6 | -1 | 4663 | Metairie | 8 | -2 |
| 2913 | Kaplan | 9 | 0 | 4676 | Loreauville | 5 | 1 |
| 2925 | New Orleans | 6 | 1 | 4683 | Lafayette | 6 | 17 |
| 2952 | Hammond | 25 | 6 | 4761 | Raceland | 8 | 2 |
| 2972 | Moreauville | 4 | 1 | 4787 | Hathaway | 9 | 1 |
| 2982 | Iota | 3 | 0 | 4791 | Estherwood | 12 | 6 |
| 3006 | Iowa | 9 | 0 | 4818 | Zwolle | 3 | 0 |
| 3012 | Lake Arthur | 8 | 9 | 4873 | Bossier City | 19 | 3 |
| 3014 | Creole | 8 | -13 | 4874 | Ponchatoula | 12 | 6 |
| 3015 | Sulphur | 10 | 4 | 4906 | Evangeline | 4 | 0 |
| 3048 | Bell City | 10 | 2 | 4927 | Parks | 5 | 1 |
| 3054 | Lockport | 15 | 12 | 5013 | Chauvin | 18 | 10 |
| 3055 | Gueydan | 10 | 0 | 5022 | Lake Charles | 7 | 1 |
| 3061 | Covington | 8 | 3 | 5048 | Pine Prairie | 5 | -3 |

| Co# | Location | Quota | NET | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|--------------|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| 5084 | Chataignier | 8 | 0 | 8703 | Port Sulphur | 4 | 0 | 10745 | Cankton | 5 | 1 |
| 5111 | New Iberia | 9 | 3 | 8743 | Chackbay | 8 | 2 | 10800 | Kraemer | 6 | 0 |
| 5166 | Delcambre | 7 | 0 | 8770 | Maurice | 7 | 1 | 10824 | Ruston | 3 | 0 |
| 5301 | Metairie | 3 | 4 | 8779 | Theriot | 15 | 3 | 10902 | Lydia | 3 | 1 |
| 5345 | Lafayette | 5 | 2 | 8805 | DeQuincy | 3 | 0 | 10911 | Amite | 4 | 2 |
| 5352 | Pierre Part | 6 | 3 | 8840 | Mathews | 10 | 0 | 10912 | Hammond | 33 | 0 |
| 5461 | Cameron | 3 | 0 | 8843 | Leroy | 4 | -2 | 11060 | Tickfaw | 4 | 2 |
| 5499 | Crowley | 14 | -15 | 8861 | Shreveport | 4 | 0 | 11061 | Labadieville | 8 | 3 |
| 5530 | Baton Rouge | 9 | 1 | 8878 | Lakeland | 7 | 11 | 11096 | Coteau Holmes | 3 | 0 |
| 5532 | Lawtell | 8 | 0 | 8898 | Larose | 13 | 6 | 11212 | Cow Island | 3 | 1 |
| 5627 | Independence | 8 | 0 | 8901 | Lafayette | 12 | 1 | 11270 | Opelousas | 7 | 2 |
| 5747 | Chalmette | 15 | 11 | 8906 | Thibodaux | 6 | 3 | 11407 | Grand Lake | 3 | 0 |
| 5755 | Westlake | 8 | 5 | 8932 | Bourg | 8 | -1 | 11491 | Mowata | 4 | 0 |
| 5935 | Laplace | 13 | 0 | 8971 | Thibodaux | 33 | 0 | 11576 | Hackberry | 3 | 0 |
| 6057 | Youngsville | 13 | -51 | 8978 | North Sulphur | 10 | 4 | 11792 | New Iberia | 4 | 0 |
| 6103 | Vinton | 7 | -6 | 9000 | Golden Meadow | 10 | -3 | 11814 | Pearl River | 4 | -1 |
| 6170 | Houma | 9 | 4 | 9007 | Metairie | 5 | 1 | 11857 | Vacherie | 8 | 3 |
| 6211 | Bayou Vista | 5 | 0 | 9016 | Baton Rouge | 8 | 0 | 12060 | Thibodaux | 6 | 10 |
| 6324 | Monroe | 3 | 0 | 9085 | Barksdale AFB | 4 | 7 | 12061 | Many | 4 | 1 |
| 6326 | Denham Springs | 19 | 4 | 9107 | New Orleans | 7 | 0 | 12068 | Grosse Tete | 3 | 0 |
| 6357 | Belle Chasse | 14 | 8 | 9110 | Jennings | 3 | 1 | 12072 | Mandeville | 13 | 6 |
| 6369 | Avondale | 3 | 0 | 9217 | Belle Deau | 3 | 2 | 12103 | Lecompte | 4 | 0 |
| 6389 | St Amant | 9 | 3 | 9219 | Bayou Pigeon | 33 | 0 | 12115 | New Orleans | 4 | 1 |
| 6496 | Abbeville | 5 | 5 | 9240 | Mandeville | 18 | 8 | 12163 | Milton | 6 | 2 |
| 6531 | Baton Rouge | 6 | 1 | 9247 | Baton Rouge | 8 | 7 | 12179 | Morgan City | 5 | -2 |
| 6746 | Kenner | 6 | -11 | 9260 | Shreveport | 6 | 5 | 12209 | Bordelonville | 3 | 0 |
| 6753 | French Settlement | 4 | 0 | 9281 | Lacassine | 5 | 2 | 12245 | Franklinton | 5 | 1 |
| 6870 | Terrytown | 6 | 1 | 9294 | Echo | 4 | 1 | 12285 | Schriever | 7 | 3 |
| 6873 | Baldwin | 7 | -16 | 9338 | Houma | 7 | 0 | 12529 | Abita Springs | 10 | 9 |
| 6958 | Carencro | 6 | 4 | 9347 | Metairie | 6 | -24 | 12686 | Metairie | 5 | 5 |
| 6959 | Egan | 6 | 1 | 9384 | Marrero | 3 | 0 | 12906 | Covington | 8 | 3 |
| 7033 | Ragley | 3 | 0 | 9415 | New Orleans | 7 | -3 | 12989 | Lacombe | 8 | 9 |
| 7050 | Rynella | 6 | 3 | 9418 | Fifth Ward | 4 | 1 | 12997 | New Iberia | 7 | 2 |
| 7084 | Berwick | 3 | 0 | 9436 | Richard | 4 | 0 | 13145 | Baton Rouge | 3 | 8 |
| 7226 | Marrero | 7 | -6 | 9623 | Laplace | 6 | 0 | 13192 | Natchitoches | 33 | 0 |
| 7275 | Lafayette | 11 | 5 | 9692 | Baton Rouge | 13 | 5 | 13296 | Kolin | 4 | 0 |
| 7350 | Barataria | 11 | 5 | 9753 | Tioga | 6 | 1 | 13349 | Waggaman | 3 | -1 |
| 7355 | Houma | 13 | -14 | 9769 | Slidell | 4 | 2 | 13397 | Thibodaux | 6 | 6 |
| 7411 | Mire | 9 | 8 | 9912 | Grand Prairie | 3 | 0 | 13411 | Thibodaux | 3 | 0 |
| 7557 | Broussard | 21 | 3 | 9933 | Luling | 8 | 0 | 13425 | River Ridge | 6 | 5 |
| 7568 | Scott | 8 | 5 | 9935 | Duralde | 4 | 0 | 13505 | Alexandria | 3 | -5 |
| 7657 | Bayou Blue | 7 | -1 | 9973 | Slidell | 15 | -15 | 13632 | Baton Rouge | 5 | 5 |
| 7722 | Dulac | 11 | 9 | 10045 | Winnfield | 33 | 0 | 13819 | Houma | 5 | -8 |
| 7856 | St Francisville | 8 | -5 | 10057 | Harvey | 33 | 0 | 13931 | Lake Charles | 6 | 2 |
| 8029 | Alexandria | 8 | -1 | 10080 | Zachary | 4 | -13 | 14542 | Lafayette | 3 | 6 |
| 8030 | Livonia | 4 | 0 | 10176 | Folsom | 5 | -2 | 14614 | Covington | 5 | 2 |
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State Basketball

Regular Division

1. St. Bridget Co 12285, Schriever
2. St. John the Baptist, Co 1514, Vacherie
3. St. Anthony Co 7350, Barataria
4. St. Gregory Co 6170, Houma
5. Bell City Co 3048, Bell City
5. Fr. Fontaine Co 4791, Estherwood

Veteran Division

1. Sacred Heart Co 7557, Broussard
2. Gentilly Co 2925 #1, New Orleans
3. Gentilly Co 2925 #2, New Orleans
4. Mother of Mercy Co 4030, Baton Rouge
5. Holy Family Co 2875, Port Allen
5. Fr. Fontaine Co 4791, Estherwood



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**St. John the Baptist Council 1514
Regular Division Runner-Up**



**St. Anthony Council 7350
Regular Division Third Place**



**Sacred Heart Council 7557
Veteran Division Champions**



**Sacred Heart Council 7557
Veteran Division Champions**



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Marian Devotion Reflection

Near the city of La Crosse, Wisconsin, there is a shrine to Our Lady of Guadalupe. The shrine was built there to honor Our Blessed Mother and to have a central site in North America dedicated to Mary, Mother of the Americas. Cardinal Raymond Leo Burke, a native of Wisconsin, was Bishop of LaCrosse at the time this shrine was constructed; now for the past two years, he is Cardinal Burke, the Prefect of the Sacred Tribunal of the Catholic Signatura. This week, in conjunction with a weekend celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Cardinal Burke will be giving a major talk to those assembled—and to all Americans – on the importance of Our Lady as the Mother of America and as the “Star of the New Evangelization.”

Coincidentally, this past week Our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, gave a sermon to the people gathered in the square at Saint Peter’s in Rome in which he emphasized how important it is to develop a loving devotion to Our Blessed Mother. “To venerate the Mother of Jesus in the Church, then, means to be a community that prays. This was one

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State Free Throw Winners

Saturday, March 17th...Teurlings Catholic High School

Marian Devotion
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State Deputy Ronnie Boudreaux, R, and State Youth Director Delmas Forbes, L, present 10 Year Old Winners, Jacie Deaville (19/25), Council 4787, and Jason Chan (20/25), Council 2878.



State Deputy Ronnie Boudreaux, R, and State Youth Director Delmas Forbes, L, present 12 Year Old Winners, Lainey Ashford (11/25), Council 9281, and Matthew Sheridan (18/25), Council 15006.



State Deputy Ronnie Boudreaux, R, and State Youth Director Delmas Forbes, L, present 11 Year Old Winners, Lindsay Dees (21/25), Council 3015, and Austin Hardin (19/25), Council 1710.



State Deputy Ronnie Boudreaux, R, and State Youth Director Delmas Forbes, L, present 13 Year Old Winners, Caroline Olivier (15/25), Council 3793, and Brad Helmer (20/25), Council 9933.



State Deputy Ronnie Boudreaux, R, and State Youth Director Delmas Forbes, L, present 14 Year Old Winners, Kaylee Young (18/25), Council 8323, and Boedy Borill (21/25), Council 5499.

of the first essential characteristics of the first disciples of the Christian community..." We are called to pray through Mary to Her Son, Jesus.

And what better time to be doing this than during the final weeks of Lent as we prepare ourselves for the glorious Resurrection of Easter Sunday. There is an ancient Latin hymn that brings focus to that devotion to which each of us, as Mother Mary's knights are called. "Stabat Mater dolorosa juxta Crucem lacrimosa, dum pendeat Filius." [His] Mother "continued to stand there next to the Cross filled with sorrow and anguish, while Her Son continued to hang [there, on the Cross]. "Continued to stand," "Continued to hang." Two individuals: mother and son, next to each other, committed with each other to the mission of the salvation of the whole world. Mary continues today to stand with Her children who carry their crosses. She is there for the world to see her total devotion to her Son, her Son who shares His mother with us as a source of strength, of mercy, and of love. If we will join with her, as her Son committed her to John, and through John to each one of us.

As our Holy Father makes his way on March 19, 2012 to the Americas, as we come up on the concelebration of Christ's Passion throughout the Church, we are called to prayer, to take time to learn more about our relationship with our Blessed Mother and Her Divine Son, and to act, as committed knights to participate in that same mission, "in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world." May this be a blest Easter for all of us and for our families and may we stand ready to recommit to the call to service, knowing that our Blessed



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Mapping Your Financial Future

The best way to achieve financial security and peace of mind is to follow a disciplined process that involves identifying your goals, and implementing appropriate financial strategies.

These six steps will help you map your financial future:

1. **Discovery** – Identify your financial goals you want to prioritize
2. **Data Gathering** – Collect facts and figures based on your current situation
3. **Analyze** – Input data and run calculations
4. **Recommend** – Propose a financial solution to satisfy your goals
5. **Implement** – Choose a financial solution and implement
6. **Periodic Review** – Review regularly to measure success and make necessary adjustments

The purpose of this questionnaire is to help gather data as part of steps one and two. By taking the time to prepare now you will be able to lay out a path to help assure your future financial situation.

What concerns you the most?

There are a number of different areas to consider when preparing for your future financial security. Start now by identifying your financial goals.

Which of the following areas are important to you?

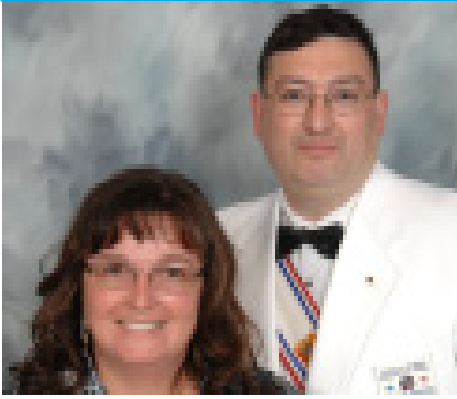
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Retirement | Assess how your current retirement strategy will meet your objective. | 1, 4, 5, 6, 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asset Allocation | Examine your current asset allocation strategy in relation to your risk tolerance. | 1, 5, 6 <i>(plus the asset allocation questionnaire)</i> |
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For too long, we as Catholics have tried to balance our religious beliefs with a concern for others who do not share these beliefs. We have been more concerned about not offending others than standing up for our own rights as Christians. We have allowed our religious freedoms to be sacrificed in order to protect the immoral desires of others.

Recently, the “Obama Administration” through the US Department of Health and Human Services issued a mandate that employers, including Catholic employers and organizations, must provide health care coverage for birth control, sterilizations and abortifacients. A few weeks later, the President announced a “concession”. This change to the original policy merely stated that the insurance companies would have to bear the financial burden of these measures. No one was fooled by the President’s ploy to appear compromising, since the religious organizations & any others who object to these measures must ultimately pay for them through their insurance premiums or even pay outright if they are self-insured.

This mandate seems to have come as a surprise to some; however, this recent ruling is nothing new & certainly nothing sudden. It’s been a slow, deliberate progression as our religious freedoms have deteriorated and have been replaced by rights to immorality.

We can no longer concern ourselves with not offending those who embrace a culture of death where abortion, euthanasia, & the use of fetal stem cells

are considered acceptable practices, and immoral behaviors such as homosexual marriage are now considered a right.

What about our rights as Christians? What about the rights of the elderly, handicapped, & the infirmed who are no longer “productive members of society”? What about the rights of the unborn?

In 1974, shortly after the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision, the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith issued a statement entitled, *Declaration on Procured Abortion*, which stated in part, “Conception is the beginning of human life. From the time that an ovum is fertilized a new life begins that is neither that of the father nor of the mother. It is rather the life of a new human being with his own growth. It would never become human if it were not human already.”

At the moment the sperm & egg are joined, a new life begins. It happens at that very moment. It does not develop into a life at some later time. It is a unique & separate life at the very moment of conception. Equally important, that life continues in it’s significance until it reaches its natural end. Man has no right to decide that another human’s life is of no value or no longer has value. And no man has a right to dictate that another man should compromise his moral beliefs to appease the fabricated immoral beliefs of others.

This is so true, yet the unborn have no rights when a woman may choose whether her child may live or die. Likewise, the rights of the elderly, especially to healthcare are slowly diminishing, with a panel of administrators deciding whether they are worthy of receiving proper & necessary care.

As our society falls deeper and deeper into the abyss, we should wonder when this momentum will all stop. We should wonder whether in our lifetime abortion & euthanasia will not only be acceptable, but mandatory for those considered “of little or no use to society”. Who will fall into this category? The elderly? The handicapped? Those injured in accidents that have but a relatively small chance of survival?

We are now at a very significant crossroads, where we must decide how

we will conduct ourselves & combat this growing trend.

In union with our Catholic Bishops, we must continue fighting for the Pro-Life cause and for our rights as Catholics. We cannot allow our religious freedoms to be diminished any further. We must stand up and voice our objections to the recent mandate by the Department of Health & Human Services and must continue to forcefully object to any other adverse mandates or laws that will certainly follow. Actively fighting these policies must remain a high priority for us & we must work together with those who share our desire to retain our religious freedoms.

But perhaps even more important, we must continue to work even harder on the many other activities we perform for the Pro-Life cause. We must remember that influencing our government officials is but one small part of the Pro-Life cause. We must continue to assist our pregnancy resource centers, we must continue to participate in marches & pray in front of the abortion clinics, and we must continue to teach our families and members of our church parishes & communities about the evils of abortion & the other horrors associated with this culture of immorality & death.

And while it may seem to us at times that despite our best efforts, we continue to lose ground, we must remain positive & vigilant. As Pro-Life advocates we must focus on the prize; the individual lives & souls that we save. We must focus our attention to that the one child we help bring into the world, for he is truly a gift from God. He is a separate, unique life, with a separate, unique soul. While we cannot & should not be satisfied with that one life or that one small victory, we can & should rejoice and pray in thanksgiving for every gift however small that comes our way, as we continue to fight for those who cannot fight for themselves.

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St. Mary's
7th Annual Walk/Run
Challenge

Last year the St. Mary's 6th Annual Walk/Run Challenge was held on September 24, 2011 at Kincaid Lake Recreation Area, just outside Alexandria, Louisiana. At approximately 8:30a.m. busses and vans carrying the 202 children, adolescents and young adults from St. Mary's began to arrive at the Lake Kincaid Pavilion.

Soon after 9:00a.m., Sister Carla Bertani, then St. Mary's Administrator, gave the opening prayer and remarks. Everyone was asked to join in the St. Mary's tradition, where everyone joins hands and walk the one mile walk. There were approximately 600 individuals of all ages in attendance.

The Challenge Walk has become the largest fundraising event for St. Mary's. Each year the proceeds have increased with 2011 being the largest ever with over \$100,000 dollars being raised to support the special programs and services for the beautiful children of St. Mary's.

This year the 7th Annual St. Mary's Challenge Walk/Run is scheduled to be held on October 6, 2012 from 7:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. at Kincaid Lake Recreation Area just outside Alexandria, Louisiana. More details and flyers will be given as the event nears. I challenge all Knights of Columbus Councils in the state

to participate in some way to help this worthy cause by sponsoring a child and walk in the one mile walk, run in the 10K Trail Run, or donate money through your MDF (tootsie roll) drive.

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K.C. Substance Abuse Poster Contest

8-11 Year Old Alcohol Awareness and Abuse

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| 1 st Place | Emily Meyer | Council 1437, Meatarie |
| 2 nd Place | Alex Guilbeau | Council 7557, Broussard |
| 3 rd Place | Peyton Myers | Council 3015, Sulphur |

8-11 Year Old Drug Awareness and Abuse

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| 1 st Place | Denver Pierrson | Council 6326, Den Springs |
| 2 nd Place | Yumi Domangue | Council 1817, Gramercy |
| 3 rd Place | Tyrone Levier | Council 1710, Patterson |

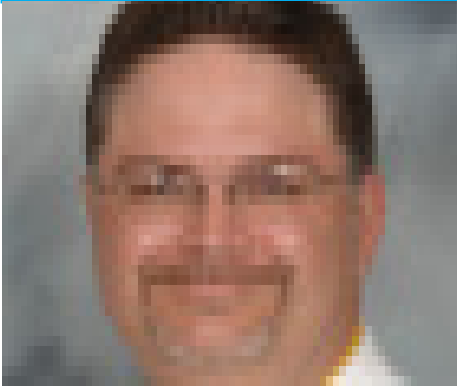
12-14 Year Old Alcohol Awareness and Abuse

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| 1 st Place | Ciara Cooper | Council 12989, Slidell |
| 2 nd Place | Phillip Mallet | Council 3496, Port Barre |
| 3 rd Place | Madison Hedrick | Council 6326, Den Springs |

12-14 Year Old Drug Awareness and Abuse

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| 1 st Place | Blair Brown | Council 1710, Patterson |
| 2 nd Place | Lexi Vass | Council 2657, Gonzales |
| 3 rd Place | Payton Morvant | Council 13397, Thibodaux |

Congratulations to all the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners of the Louisiana Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Poster Contest. All first place winners will receive a \$250 check and a certificate, 2nd place winners will receive a \$150 check and a certificate and third place winners will receive a \$100 check and certificates. All 1st, 2nd and 3rd place posters will be displayed at our upcoming State Convention in Baton Rouge. In addition all 1st Place winning posters will now advance to compete in the Knights of Columbus



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Worthy State Officers, State Family Members, Clergy Members, and Brother Knights,

As we approach the end of the fraternal year, there are a few things I want to share with you. We are receiving pull tabs from some of the Councils and Circles and hope you continue the great work. Please bring the pull tabs to the recycling collection centers and turn your money into the Squires at the Louisiana Knights of Columbus Annual Convention in Baton Rouge. Remember that all money raised will benefit Ronald McDonald's House in New Orleans and families that need to use their facility.

Our Second Annual Squires Scholarship Raffle is in full swing and we want to thank the Councils that have bought their tickets and mailed them in already. I hope that the rest of the Councils will send their money in and fill out the tickets and mail them back in the self addressed envelope. The deadline for the ticket sales will be Sunday May 6, 2012 at the KC State Convention and the ticket drawing will be after the Rosary on Sunday. All money raised will be used for the Squires High School Scholarship. With your help we can recognize our best and brightest Squires for their hard work.

Remember that these young men are our future members as Knights of Columbus and they will appreciate the help that we give them.

We are in the process of starting another Squires Circle in Leesville, LA by KC Council 4156. Thanks to Brother's Paul Rindahl and Louie Johnson for helping their young men in their community and helping the future of their Council. The paper work has been sent to Supreme and we are waiting for their response. Special thanks go out to the Grand Knight and the members for investing in the success of continuing to fulfill the promise of Brother Barnabus, the founder of the Columbian Squires, a youth program for young men in need and a way of keeping them involved in our Catholic faith.

Most of you remember how big a part Jesuit Catholic High School was in the Squires program. After Hurricanes Katrina and Rita devastated New Orleans, almost all the schools had to rebuild or start over with very minimal students returning. Jesuit and many other Catholic schools are returning back to full capacity and busy in their communities. I am proud to say the Jesuit Squires Circle has been quietly working at school and with their projects. They sent 42 applications to Supreme for new members. They will once again be a part of the Louisiana State Squires program again. I hope that other Councils or Assemblies will contact their local Catholic Schools and inquire about starting a youth ministries program for young men.

Back in January, Squires came from across the state to attend our Squires Retreat in Hammond, LA. We spent the night at the KC Council home Friday and Saturday nights and were treated to several great meals. We want to thank Joey Quebedeaux, Grand Knight, and the members of

that Council for their hospitality. Saturday morning we attended the Baton Rouge Right to Life Pro Life March. We marched behind the 4th Degree Sir Knights in their Regalia and followed them all the way to the state capitol. We returned to the Council home and completed our weekend of retreat with activities, reflection time, Mass, and Rosaries to help these young men become closer to the Catholic Church and to God.

Our Annual Squires Olympics was held on March 17 & 18, 2012 in Youngsville, LA and Brian Decou is in charge of this weekend of fraternity, fun, and food. Our Annual Family Fun Day will be held on April 14, 2012 in Bayou Black, LA and Wayne Bonvillian is in charge of this event. You can get on the internet on go to Louisianasquires.org and get all the up to date information of our upcoming activities and contact us for more information. We want any and all KC members that are interested in starting a Squires group to attend any of these events and see what everyone is talking about.

As we look forward to closing this year and starting a new year, please remember that the Squires

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