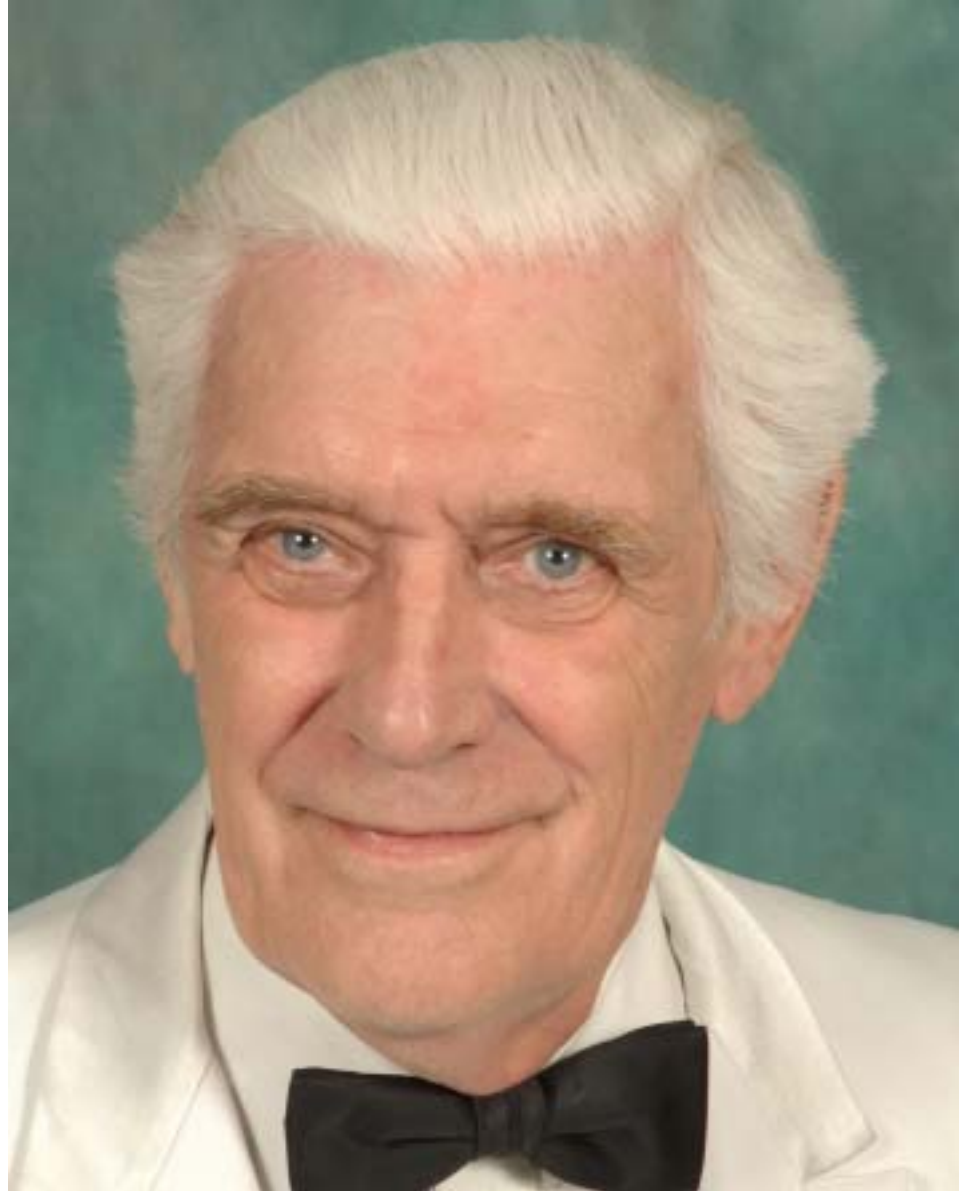


Louisiana Knight

Calendar

- August 1 *Deadline-Service Program Personnel-Form #365*
- August 1 *Deadline-Squires Form #468*
- August 7-9 *Supreme Convention-Quebec*
- August 8 *Deadline-Order MDF Candy*
- August 9-10 *State Softball Tournament Pelican Park-Carencro*
- August 12 *Fr. Michael McGivney Birthdate*
- August 15 *Deadline-Semi-Annual Council Audit, Form #1295*
- August 15 *Deadline-Family of the Month*
- August 15 *Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
- August 17 *Major Degree-Plaquemine DD Peter Palermo, Host*
- August 24 *Major Degree-Leesville DD Michael Sullivan, Host*
- August 29 *Deadline-Submit Horseshoe Area Winners to State*
- September 1 *Deadline-Squires Semi-Annual Audit, Form #247*
- September 1 *Deadline-Parish Roundtable Report, Form #2629*
- September 3 *Labor Day*
- September 7 *Major Degree-Broussard DD George Martin, Host*
- September 13 *State Horseshoe Tournament Frank Zito Arena-Plaquemine*
- September 14 *Major Degree-Mamou DD James Hebert, Host*
- September 15 *Deadline-Family of the Month*
- September 15 *Deadline-Submit Articles for Louisiana Knight*
- September 21 *Major Degree-Iowa DD Robert Kenvyn, Host*
- September 28 *Major Degree-Bossier City DD Ernest Chmielewski, Host*
- October 3-5 *State Golf Tournament Acadian Hills GC-Lafayette The Farm GC-Carencro*
- October 12 *Major Degree-Thibodaux DD John Luquette, Host*
- October 15 *Deadline-Family of the Month*
- October 19 *Major Degree-Hammond DD Gasper Corpora, Host*
- October 26 *Major Degree-Harahan DD Rene Pelanne, Host*
- November 8 *State Nine Ball Tournament White Diamond-Lafayette*
- November 9 *State Soccer Challenge Baton Rouge*



**Ben Davidson
Selected State Deputy**



State Deputy Don Fontenot

To my Brother Knights of the Louisiana Jurisdiction I say Thank You one and all for the past two years. Many of you have become like family over the past ten years and that is what the Knights of Columbus is supposed to be. After these two years, I can say that no one can be prepared for all the situations that come before you as State Deputy. It has been a long two years but an enjoyable one. All of the ups and downs just make you realize what the Knights of Columbus stand for. I was very fortunate to have the privilege of meeting and visiting with many Brother Knights across this jurisdiction. And believe me, it would have been a longer two years without your encouragement and help. Many of you went the extra mile and for that I thank you. We did try and in the end we fell short of our goals, nonetheless the brotherhood was there until the end. My wish now is that our next State Deputy has great success and that each brother Knight will do his part to ensure that the success happens. I look forward to the time when we can see each other and visit, and reminisce about these past two years. Again THANK You one and all and May God Bless each one of you and yours.

Vivat Jesus!



Invest. Promote. Communicate.



Invest. Promote, Communicate. is the official moniker for State Deputy Donald Fontenot. Fontenot noted the importance of the three items in the success of local councils, as well as the State Council. For additional information on the current administration, contact the State Office in Lafayette.



State Chaplain Joseph Susi

I would like to begin with the fragile quotation which our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI sent to the Knights of Columbus, carried by his Secretary of State for the Holy See, Tarcisio Cardinal Bertone at our 125th Supreme Convention in Nashville, Tennessee on August 7, 2007: The Knights of Columbus have actively built up the Kingdom of God on earth and I know that you will continue to devote your energies and your apostolic zeal to promote the Church's mission wherever you may be.

These truthful words from Pope Benedict, which he conveyed to us and gracefully blessed us with will always be remembered by the Knights of Columbus.

While Cardinal Bertone represented the Holy Father at this Convention, he tried every way he could to talk to us as a spokesman for His Holiness, he did it as if the Pope himself was congratulating us. His Eminence said he would report to the Holy Father the love the Knights have for Him and that he heard many, many good things about Father Michael J. McGivney and the Knights.

It indeed was a favorable occasion on March 15, 2008 when His Holiness sent out a decree to Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson recognizing the heroic virtue of Father McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus. This means that his cause towards sainthood can begin and he now has the title of A Venerable Servant of God.

Supreme Knight Anderson lost no time informing all his Brother Knights

of this. We are most grateful to have our founder so honored. What an elite honor for all of us in this great Order!

We Knights are grateful to the Holy Father, so what are we going to do? As Bishop Greco said, Every Knight a new Knight. We hope and pray that many more Catholic men will now join this huge Order of over 1,700,000 great men.

Today we also want to thank all of our outgoing officers, especially State Deputy Sir Knight Don Fontenot. He worked tirelessly with his officers to try to build up our Louisiana Jurisdiction. Before Hurricanes Katrina and Rita we had about 45,000 members and were aiming for 48,000. But we lost some in the Hurricanes, some by natural death, and many moved to other states, so we are left with about 43,000 members. He worked every night to try to increase our membership. So, Sir Knight Don, thank you for all you and your officers did. We know you will continue to see us grow. We do not want to forget Verline, who pushed him although she worried about him being on the road at night. She can now rest and visit her children and friends.

We want to congratulate our new State Deputy and his officers. We wish them the best of luck. Remember this is the largest order of Catholic men, and we must be in solidarity with our Bishops and priests and continue to work for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Remember Ben that Emma will stick by you as will all the Knights. (Smile!)

We end with another quotation of our Holy Father, Benedict XVI: I am convinced that the way to give life to a society truly attentive to the common good is to seek in the Gospel the roots of shared values . . . This is the ardent desire of the Catholic Church, which has no other interest but to spread and bear witness to Jesus Christ's words of hope and love.

My love to all the Knights.
Vivat Jesus!



Joel Ocmand
Y.E.P. Chairman

We are now at the end of the Columbian year and the end of another YEP Fund Raising year. Your donations to the YEP will enable the youth of our great state to look at a future that is brighter. By aiding the youth of our state we have enabled them to take the next step in leadership, take the next step in making this world a better place.

As of this date the councils have responded in a great fashion. **We have 143 councils that have donated \$129,882.58. This was an increase of over \$3,000 from last year.** This leaves 149 councils that have not donated to the program. Added to these funds are miscellaneous monies that have been collected this year of **\$7,976.72.** This now gives us a grand total of **\$137,859.30** collected so far. The program which runs from July 1st till June 30th of every Columbian year is never quite over. The needs are always great and our commitment to the youth of our state should not waiver. We must continue to push and inform the importance of reaching our goals so that our youth programs can survive in these changing times.

It has been a great honor to serve you this past Columbian year as your YEP Chairman. But now it is time to move on and turn the reigns over to the new YEP Chairman. I have enjoyed my many years as the YEP Chairman and thank you from the bottom of my heart for your support of the youth of our State. May God Bless you and your Council in every thing you do.

YEP

\$150,000

\$125,000

\$100,000

\$75,000

\$50,000

\$25,000

\$137,859

State Deputy Report

To: THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE 103rd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LOUISIANA STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Charter Constitution and Laws of the Order and the State Council By-Laws require the State Deputy submit a report of his term of office and the condition of the Louisiana State Council.

Reverend Fathers, Worthy Supreme Treasurer, Worthy Special Program Consultant, Worthy State Officers, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy Master, Worthy General Agents, Worthy State Council Delegates and my Brother Knights all.

It is indeed a pleasure for me to stand here before so many of my Brother Knights and submit this report of activities during the past ten (10) months of this Fraternal year to tell each of you what we have left to complete between now and June 30, 2008. As in years past, the written reports will be presented to each delegate in booklet form. I ask each of you to be patient if my report runs longer than most of the reports given here today, but there is much to say about our order.

At the beginning of this fraternal year we vowed to do the best we could to ensure that Columbianism would continue to grow and that our good works would also continue. With this in mind and after hours of prayer and reflection, I chose a theme for the coming year "IPC" Invest, Promote, and Communicate openly

with Brother Knights always. To continue the order moving forward we must all invest time and energy, we must all promote the great works that we do and most importantly we must communicate our love of the order and our brother knights always, and to everyone in our Catholic community.

STATE FAMILY

Most members of the State Family continued in their positions. There are several positions that were not filled because we could not find anyone who was willing to commit. This is becoming a serious problem. More and more I'm hearing from people asked to fill positions "I don't have time", and yes it does take time, but remember my Brother Knights you are needed. I thank everyone who helped with this process, and I thank all my Brother Knights who served the State Council over the past years.

STATE DEPUTY MEETING

Verline and I attended a meeting for elected State Deputies beginning June 7th through June 10th, where I received information from the Supreme Knight and his staff on the theme for this year, which is "Experience of a Lifetime". This was a fast pace working meeting with some time to visit with old friends and make new friends along the way. Several quotes were given out along the way of the many meetings and goals were set. Verline and I enjoyed visiting the museum. We also attended mass at St. Mary's and what

an experience that was for the two of us. Much information was received and many ideas were exchanged. What a wonderful experience to be with Brother State Deputies from around the country and world. Again in November Verline and I attended the mid-year meeting for State Deputies. This meeting was held the weekend of November 16-18, 2007 in Washington DC. Another working weekend, attending meetings and workshops, sharing ideas with Brother State Deputies from across the Country and the world. It is always great to be with old friends, and looking to make new friends.

STATE FAMILY MEETING

The state family meeting was held in Thibodeaux on June 29, 30 and July 1st 2007. This was a weekend of training for District Deputies & Area Coordinators. It was also a time for the membership team and program team to discuss their plans for the coming year. This weekend was a time for us as the State Family to come together and discuss what needed to be done in this the final year of my administration. We left these meetings with one thing in our minds and that was to "IPC", Invest, Promote and Communicate the Knights of Columbus as often as possible.

The winter meeting was held in Hammond at Council # 2952 and what a great job was done by the Brother Knights of Council # 2952. This served as a refresher for all Area

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Leonce Waguespack, Jr.
President - F.S. Association
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The Association had an excellent meeting in Kenner in connection with the 103rd Annual Knights of Columbus State Convention. The two day meeting was dedicated to Past Presidents **Uray J. Michot** who passed away in November 2007 and **A. E. Lee, Jr.** who passed away in April 2008. Among the speakers who addressed our session were Supreme Treasurer **Jack O'Reilly**, State Deputy **Don Fontenot**, Master of the Fourth Degree **Tim Boudreaux** and General Insurance Agent **Terry Kennedy**.

The Memorial Report included the following former financial secretaries who passed away during the year:

- **Uray J. Michot, Sr.** (2878) Past President; **A. E. Lee, Jr.** (6326) Past President; **Lonnie J. Dupont** (10564); **Gerald Joseph Latour** (4683); **Maxie Joseph Gisclair** (1208); **Frank "Buddy" Serio, Jr.** (2150).

Nomination and elections of officers were conducted. The officers for 2008-2009 are:

- **Keith Gautreau**, President; **Paul Gisclair**, Vice-President; **Robert Coco**, Secretary; **Frank Boneno**, Treasurer; **Gladwin Ball**, Warden; **Leonce Waguespack**, 3 Year Trustee; **Malcolm Faucheux**, 2 Year Trustee (remainder of **A. E. Lee, Jr.** term); **John Walker**, 1 Year Trustee.

On Sunday, the Association held its annual luncheon and presented service awards to members who reached milestones in their careers. In attendance

were 100 members, spouses and guests including **Msgr. Joseph Susi**, State Chaplain and guest speaker **Steve Thomas**, Past State Deputy.

The 2009 K.C. State Convention will be held in Shreveport, May 1-3.

Reminder: If you are not receiving email from the Association and wish to be included on our distribution list, please forward a request to me with your preferred email address.

As we approach the end of another Columbian year, I wish to review some important items which you should be aware of:

- Report of Officers Chosen - Form 185 must be submitted by July 1st. It is your obligation to submit this form as soon as council officers are elected.

- Service Program Personnel Report - Form 365 is due by August 1st. Even though it is not your responsibility to send the form in, you should support your Grand Knight by providing information as needed.

- Semiannual Council Audit Report - From 1295 is due by August 15th. It is **not** your responsibility to complete the report but it is the responsibility of the grand knight and the council trustees. However, it is your obligation to make your records available for the audit and provide assistance as needed.

- The annual KCLS will be held the weekend of July 19-20 in Prairieville and Natchitoches. You are required to attend. Our Association will provide a training session and the Association officers will be available to answer your questions.

As president of the Association during the past two years, I wish to thank everyone for their support. Please support the incoming officers and remember that we are here to serve you.

On behalf of the officers of the Association, we look forward to meeting with you at the KCLS sessions in July.

VIVAT JESUS!

Top 20

1 - Marian Council 3779, Shreveport, Mike Rose, GK	1000 points
2 - Bossier Council, 4873, Bossier City, Don R. Arceneaux, GK	996 points
3 - St. Alphonsus Council 2807, Baton Rouge, Vince S. Dileo, GK	971 points
4 - Sacred Heart Council 7557, Broussard, George S. Martin, GK	970 points
5 - Msgr. Carrol Badeaux Council 3054, Lockport, Keith J. Gros, GK	942 points
6 - Patterson Council 1710, Patterson, William L. Picou, Jr., GK	939 points
7 - St. Edmond Council 10293, Lafayette, Karl J. Guidry, GK	936 points
8 - Our Lady of the Lake Council 9240, Mandeville, Robert Rhoden, Jr., GK	935 points
9 - Ascension of Our Lord Council 9623, Laplace, Bruce M. Simoneaux, GK	922 points
10 - Lady of LaSalette Council 9000, Gldn Meadow, Gary Champagne, GK	918 points
11 - Mary Queen of Peach Council 12072, Mndvll, Nicholas Lonergan, GK	917 points
12 - Ben L. Kiper Council 12997, New Iberia, Wayne J. Duhon, Sr., GK	915 points
13 - Christ the King Council 6870, Terrytown, Anthony Smith, GK	906 points
14 - Msgr. Jean Eyraud Council 2436, Reserve, Gerald P. Marse, GK	899 points
15 - Fr. James Clement Council 6389, St. Amant, Blake A. Leblanc, GK	893 points
16 - Fr. Maynard Hurst Council 9016, Baton Rouge, John J. Meyer, Jr., GK	889 points
17 - St. Charles Borromeo Council 8616, Pte-Aux-Chenes, Alcee Dupre, GK	888 points
18 - Marquette Council 1437, New Orleans, Louis T. Calato, Jr., GK	886 points
18 - Ludovicum Council 4663, Metairie, Anthony L. Franchina, GK	886 points
20 - St. Charles Council 2409, Luling, Warren K. Gautreaux, GK	880 points



In Memoriam

*We join the survivors
in remembering the following members
who recently died.*

*We offer our prayers for them
and their families.
May their souls rest in peace.*

- Co No 970, Plaquemine: Cecil L. Comeaux, May 7, 2008; Peter M. Strauss, Jr., July 6, 2008
- Co No 1217, Marksville: Clifton P. Mayeux, May 2, 2008
- Co No 1817, Gramercy: Norman W. Buckner, March 11, 2008
- Co No 2150, Morganza: Frank N. Serio, Jr., April 24, 2008
- Co No 2395, Bunkie: John L. VanMoz, Sr., August 9, 2007; Joseph T. Simms, Jr., September 16, 2007; Rufus J. Kohler, November 18, 2007
- Co No 2657, Gonzales: Whitney St. Clair Marchand, April 18, 2008; Thomas B. Landry, Jr., July 4, 2008
- Co No 3331, Baton Rouge: David L. Broussard, Jr., May 7, 2007; Alfred H. Godso, May 11, 2007; Carlo T. Spedale, July 31, 2007; Olieus J. Templet, December 27, 2007

- Co No 3534, Oakdale: William W. Sonnier, August 1, 2002
- Co No 3634, Norco: Erling J. LeBlanc, July 11, 2008
- Co No 4874, Ponchatoula: Leslie R. Lavigne, February 24, 2008; Roger P. Benoit, May 24, 2008
- Co No 5935, LaPlace: James N. Guidry, May 1, 2008
- Co No 6389, St. Amant: Charles G. Guidry, May 12, 2008
- Co No 8147, Gonzales: Holzen A. Duplessis, June 7, 2008
- Co No 9016, Baton Rouge: Michael W. Hebert; Theodore A. Rhorer, February 23, 2008
- Co No 11270, Opelousas: Percy A. Thibodeaux, April 1, 2008



**Frank Chase
Program Director**

The NEW fraternal year is a busy time for your council. Councils are having the election of officers, the appointment of directors, and the installation of the newly elected officers. This is also a time to file important reports. It is a good time to review last year's programs and plan the upcoming year. Your council needs to schedule a meeting with your parish priest. Your council should inquire about what your council can do for the church, if you have not already done so. Look around in your community for a good community project. Check with your local youth leaders and ask how your council can get involved with the youth. Now is the time to plan your family activities and set up various committees. Every month, remember to honor a "Family of the Month" and get the report filed before the 15th of each month. Planning is essential for the success of your council. My brother knights, now is the time to select your best programs. Remember to keep track of how many hours and the percentage of council members working on your project. In the beginning of April 2009 you can apply for the State Service Program Award.

It has been a pleasure serving as your Program Director for the past two years. I hope to see you at a future KC function.

Vivat Jesus.

State Deputy Report

Coordinators, District Deputies, Membership and Program Directors. The State Officers had help from our Regional Program Consultant Bill Sukel, and a special guest, Supreme Treasurer, Jack O'Reilly. I feel sure that everyone left the meeting with a positive feeling and ready to move forward with membership and programs.

KCLS

On a weekend in July the State Officers, Membership and Program teams come together to conduct the Knights of Columbus Leadership Seminars for Councils throughout the State. Two sessions are held one on Saturday in Natchitoches and the second on Sunday in Gonzales. This is a fast paced weekend that covers all aspects of council operations, including programs, membership promotion; it also includes a session for Financial Secretaries. Our Regional Program consultant Bill Sukel was there to assist. These two meetings were very well attended and that shows us that Our Brothers on the local council level are interested in helping fulfill our goals that were set earlier in this fraternal year.

GRAND KNIGHTS DAY

What a change for me on this January 27, 2008. For so many years I have attended Grand Knights Day, and as my final Grand Knights Day as your State Deputy I had the flu. Such a Great day to miss where brother Knights from across the state come together for friendship and fellowship. This is usually the coldest

day of the year, and so it is a good time to have the thirteen top gumbo cooking teams from across the state come together to compete for honors as the number one team in the state. Once the cooking and the judging are completed the gumbo is served and hopefully enjoyed by all. Proceeds from the meal go to the Youth Expansion Program fundraiser. A time for reflection on past achievements in programs and membership, there is also time for planning for the remainder of the Columbian year. To close out the day the Acompano Raffle is held and this fund is used to support the Mission Program at Notre Dame and St. Joseph Abbey. I would like to extend my thanks to all who helped make this day happen, also thanks to all who attended.

SUPREME CONVENTION

Louisiana is always well represented by true Brother Knights who serve as delegates to the Supreme Council Meeting. This year was no different in Nashville, all those present worked very hard to make sure that the hospitality room was enjoyed by all who came to visit with us. We served King Cakes and Hurricanes, gave away beads and masks, and as usual the Louisiana Hospitality was great and enjoyed by all who came to visit. The room was decorated by the men under the watchful eye and direction given by the ladies, and what a job they did. I heard many great comments about the room and the people who staffed it, you know

it is good when you cannot see the end of the line waiting to come end. I wish to THANK all who helped with this year's event.

RSVP

What a great program for Councils to participate in. The "Refund Support Vocations Program" is a program that encourages direct interaction and gives council members a little better understanding of the men and women who prepare for a religious vocation. Using the "RSVP" program allows Councils and Brother Knights an avenue to provide support in different ways. One, which is financial, but not limited to. Members should be encouraged to schedule visits and communicate by phone, e-mails, and or letters. By using this program we are able to say that we have done all we can to help those who are willing to dedicate their lives to the Church.

BISHOPS PROGRAM

Last year I appointed Buddy Guirovich and he did an outstanding job but as time went on Buddy called me and asked if I would replace him. So I contacted the six Bishops and one Administrator and asked what we as the Knights of Columbus could do to help. It was suggested to me that we continue to support vocations to the Priesthood and religious life. It was also mentioned that we continue to support the Pro-Life Movement, and that we also encourage councils to continue to

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erect monuments to the unborn. The Knights have also been asked to support the Radio and Television Apostolate. If we are to continue to be the strong right arm of the church we must continue these most important projects. I would like to take this opportunity to say THANK you to every brother Knight who has participated in this most important program.

COLUMBIAN SQUIRES

The official youth organization of the Knights of Columbus, every council should consider forming a circle. This program gives every Council a chance to keep it's membership young and vibrant, what a way for a Council to begin training the young men in your local parishes for future leadership in the Council. As of April 1, 2008 Squire Circles number 31 in the state with a membership of 564. The Squires are under the leadership of Marvin Guillot and I thank him for his continued involvement, because of his dedication the State of Louisiana is forming new Circles across the State. Other activities include retreats, Bowling, Horseshoe, and Softball Tournaments. I would also like to extend a special thank you to Delmas Forbes, Jr. for his involvement in the Squires program. To the State Circle Officers I thank each of you for your commitment to the Squires program, and we the Knights of Columbus of Louisiana look forward to seeing you in a leadership role in the future. It is with heavy heart that I end this re-

port with the passing of Mr. Squire Charlie Miceli. I ask each of you to remember Charlie in your prayers, and I feel that Mr. Charlie is watching over us. Charlie had a passion for the Squires for such a long time, and he will be dearly missed by all of those involved with the Squire Program, and the Knights of Columbus.

YEP

The Youth Expansion Program continues to be an excellent program in our State. The Supreme Council is introducing new programs and these are becoming very successful in the short time of their existence. Examples are the Soccer Challenge, Substance/Alcohol abuse poster contest; free throw, honoring alter servers and the Catholic Youth Leadership Award. It is fitting that I THANK Delmas Forbes, Jr. for his involvement with the Soccer Challenge and the Poster contest, Delmas is always ready and eager to lend a

hand, so Delmas please keep up the good work. In order to improve the programs listed above and develop new ones, all councils will have to come on board and support the annual fundraiser that funds our youth programs. Each year we struggle to collect enough funds to support those programs that are in place. I would like to thank Joel Ocmand for his efforts as YEP Chairman, what a great effort on his part of promoting YEP. THANK YOU JOEL !

CYLA

Catholic Youth Leadership Award program, what a success story. This program each year is so amazing, the level of the young women and men that make it to the final twenty four (24) in the State competition. The only disappointing factor is participation at the Council level. To correct the participation, we must

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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.

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Lloyd Meyers
M.D.F. Chairman

Our Mental Disability Campaign began this year on April 1, 2008 it ends on March 31, 2009. We need all 285 councils to participate and it is not that hard to do. Select a school or agency like Saint Mary's residential training facility or a school or agency in your area for your council's Beneficiary. Have some type of a fund drive then use the Financial Statement Report Form and submit your fund drive to the State Council in Lafayette on or before March 31, 2009.

It is now that time of year for the Mental Disability Fund Drive, Knights of Columbus helping citizens to learn to help themselves.

Yes, this is what your council should be doing and what a Great feeling your membership will have when it takes the time to have a fund drive.

Your council membership can then take pride in what your council has done in helping God's Special Citizens.

Thanks.



Ralph Comeaux
Council Activity Director

Brother Knights, the NEW fraternal year has begun. Participation of Knights of Columbus Athletic Events should be mapped out by your council at the beginning of each year. Even if you don't know the exact date, you know the month the event will take place. The following events have already been planned. Softball is in August followed by Horseshoes, Golf and Nine Ball Tournaments. Then we start the calendar year of 2009 with Bowling Tournaments, Basketball and Adult Free Throw.

Knights of Columbus Brothers participation in these events is what makes it a success. The key component is communication and participation. Communication must start at the top with State Deputy, Directors, Area Coordinators, District Deputies, Grand Knights and Council Program Directors.

Councils should try and get a 100% in every category for the Knights of Columbus. So many councils lost points during grading of Council Activities because they

failed to participate in five of eight events. Many Grand Knights report their members are too old. You can earn points by hosting a Regional or State Event. Everyone can throw Horseshoes, participate in Adult Free Throw, Nine Ball Tournament and the Gumbo Cook Off. The Softball Tournaments have included Coed Teams and Veterans Teams.

The State Family is constantly trying to find new categories to make participation easier on the councils.

Communication is one of our biggest problems in most areas. Information should be available to all councils and council members as soon as possible.

If I can be of assistance to you concerning our current events please feel free to contact Ralph Comeaux at 225-687-7549. If your council is interested in hosting a State Event please contact Ralph Comeaux.

Brotherhood is very important. You cannot feel involved if you don't get involved. Try and increase your council participation, even if it is only one new event.



State Golf Tournament

October 3-4-5, 2008

**Acadian Hills GC
Lafayette
The Farm d'Allie
Carencro**

**Go To Our State Website
& Download
Your Entry Form**



www.louisianakc.org

A.M. Best Rates KC Insurance Superior

New Haven, CT - June 20, 2008
- For the 33rd consecutive year, A.M. Best Company has given the Knights of Columbus its highest financial rating, A++ (Superior). A.M. Best is a worldwide rating and information agency, which conducts in-depth analyses and issues reports about the fiscal stability of insurance companies.

In its 2008 affirmation, A.M. Best cited the Knights of Columbus' "strong fraternal and insurance presence within the Catholic communities in the United States and Canada, its strong risk-adjusted capitalization as measured by Best's Capital Adequacy Ratio and the Order's consistently positive statutory operating results."

The report also stated that "the Order has a strong affinity with its large membership base through its charitable works and competitive portfolio of life insurance and annuity products."

Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said that A.M. Best's A++ rating "confirms the wisdom of our careful investment policies in turbulent economic times, and of our adherence to our original mission of providing Catholic families with security and stability through top quality life insurance products." During the past decade, the amount K of C insurance in force has doubled to more than \$67 billion.

The Knights of Columbus is an international fraternal benefit society and the world's largest lay Catholic organization with more than 1.75 million members. Last year members of the Knights of Columbus donated more than 68 million hours of volunteer service for charitable causes, and contributed more than \$144 million to charity.



Delmas Forbes Youth Activity Director

Over the last several years Soccer has become one of the fastest growing and a very popular sport among our youth today. We encourage Councils to please consider participating in our Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. One of the misconceptions about this event is that it requires a KC Council to form a Soccer Team. Instead, this event is about boys and girls kicking penalty kicks in a regulation soccer goal. This event in some way mirrors the Free Throw Contest in that it is open to all boys & girls between the ages of 10-14 years of age, and it is meant to showcase these young boys' and girls' individual talent. Remember each contestant competes in his or her age group according to his or her age as of September 1st. We encourage Councils that will be participating in this event to start promoting this event well in advance and consider promoting this event through your local leagues. Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge Kits are available at the Supreme Council; however, for this event these kits can not be ordered online. Council are asked to conduct their Council Soccer Challenges before September 30, 2008. Since many of the youth are involved in the Soccer Games on

Saturdays we encourage Councils, District Deputies and Area Coordinators to hold their Soccer Challenges on Sundays.

Councils, now is the time that you should start planning how you plan to carry out your Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Poster Contest. This program is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 8-14 years old and these kits can be ordered on the Knights of Columbus Supreme Website. We encourage Councils to try to reach as many of our youth as they can in order to help them realize the dangers of Substance Abuse and what the harm it can do to their lives. Councils are asked to complete this program by January 31, 2009. Over the last few years our State Council has enjoyed success on the International Level with this program. This year we had two International Winners that our Supreme Council asked us to recognize.

In addition there are many activities and programs Councils can do to assist with the needs of the youth in our church parishes and communities. These youth eagerly await the opportunity to be involved in outstanding programs that the Knights of Columbus can provide for them. Remember when we as Councils invest in the youth of today we are helping to build the charter and leadership of the leaders of tomorrow. Our State Council provides some other excellent youth programs like: CYLA, Youth Expansion, Free Throw Contest and others. Your own civic leaders, your Pastor and Youth Ministers can assist you in finding worthwhile programs for the youth of your communities.

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go out and seek every eligible Catholic Senior in every high school in our communities and encourage them to fill out the application. So it is that I would ask each Grand Knight to please promote this worthwhile program at the Council level. Who knows, your Council winner may be one of the twenty four (24) finalists at the State finals next year. I want to THANK Wayne Lemoine for his dedication to the program. Thank you Wayne for a job well done. Thank you to each and everyone who helped Wayne on the State level, Job Well Done.

MEMBERSHIP AND NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT

Membership growth is necessary for the Order in Louisiana to continue our good works. Membership Director Joel Ocmand and I talked early on about how we would convey this message to the Councils. I am happy to say that early on it worked. The efforts of the Area Coordinators, District Deputies and the leadership of the local Councils paid off and we were holding our own, but in late January 2008 the bottom fell out and suspensions began coming in, and this my Brother Knights is so unfortunate, because so many of the Brother Knights being suspended were never contacted to see if there was a problem. Reality is that not everyone recruited will remain as a Brother knight, but if we make and attempt to communicate with those Brother Knights facing suspension we might lessen the numbers of ac-

tual suspensions. Remember retention is a job for each one of us and it begins when a new member joins. With time remaining before June 30th we must join together and begin working to increase our members so Our Order can continue the good works we are known for.

New Council Development has had a slow start. Several requests for new council starter kits were received and starter kits were furnished, and follow up conversations yielded little. I THANK Russell Ruh for his help with this most important program and I am happy to report that several new Councils are being worked on as I give this report. Brothers we must continue to spread the word about our Order through the forming of new Councils and the recruitment of new members. We are hopeful that some early efforts will come through and new Councils will be formed.

New and exciting things are happening with the state ceremonial work, which is headed up by IPSD Don Cubbage and Cliff McCain. There are several new second degree teams working and if we give this a chance to work it will enrich the lessons taught to our new incoming Knights.

PROGRAMS

The State Program Director and his staff have done a good job with starting new programs and these programs have grown since last year. New programs included, a Nine Ball tournament and adult free throw. Pro-

grams such as these mentioned above and the regulars such as bowling, softball, horseshoes, golf, basketball, and cookoff's, are essential to Council growth and membership growth. Remember the old saying keep your members active and they will remain active Brother Knights for years to come. A very special Thank You to Frank and Ralph for their dedication to seeing that programs continue and that new ones are formed. Youth Programs are also an essential part of local council activities. Every parent and grandparent are eager to see their little ones compete in fun, worthwhile events such as soccer, basketball free throw and substance abuse poster contest. All of these activities take time in planning and executing such events and a Special Thanks to all those members that helped. I would also like to "Thank You" to our Youth Activity Person Brother Delmas Forbes, Jr. for a job well done

STATE OFFICE

A special Thank You to State Office Administrator Robert Boudreaux, and his staff Susan T. Camel and Gloria S. Richard for their dedication.

STATE CHAPLAIN

What can we say about Msgr. Joseph M. Susi that has not already been said? He is always present at our meetings and he sits patiently for hours on end. He is our Spiritual Leader, he always offers a positive

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message and his encouragements are always taken to heart. Msgr. Susi on behalf of the 34,000 Brother Knights of the Louisiana Jurisdiction, we join together in saying Thank You for being our State Chaplin. May God continue to bless you and continue to give you the wisdom and good health to serve as our State Chaplin?

FOURTH DEGREE

To the Sir Knights of this Order, better known as the visible arm of the order, I thank each of you for your participation, in dressing out in full regalia when asked to do so. As was your participation this weekend, it was greatly appreciated and welcomed. Louisiana has been blessed to have good leadership in the fourth degree and continue to do so in having Tim Boudreaux serve as Master of the Louisiana District. My sincere thanks to you and your staff for the work you do for the fourth degree of the Louisiana Jurisdiction.

F.S. ASSOCIATION

Financial Secretaries are the kinship between Council Administrations. They are the supporting link of all Councils. They are the contact person for the Council with Supreme. We certainly appreciate the work they do for their Councils. I would personally like to extend a great big Thank You to Leonce Waguespack, Jr., President of the Association and his staff of Officers for their assistance and support over these past twenty-two months, and ask each one of them to keep up the good work.

IN CONCLUSION

These past twenty-two months have given me a look at a great big picture; a picture that has been developing for the past one hundred and twenty five years, and what a grand picture it has turned out to be. All of the preparation up to this point did nothing for what happened on June 24, 2006 at the installation of the newly elected State Officers of this great State. Nothing can prepare anyone for the out pouring of good wishes and love shared among Brothers of this Fraternal Order known as the Knights of Columbus. What a pleasure for me to stand before you today and THANK each one of you my Brother Knights for allowing me to serve you as your State Deputy. I must also Thank the special Lady in my life, my loving wife Verline, I say THANK you for your patience and support, for your understanding about the late night meeting and the weekend trips, also the many early mornings and late nights in front of the computer. But most of all THANKS for standing along side of me at the many functions we attended over these past years. To my Brother elected State Officers I say THANK you for your support, and fellowship over these past twenty-two months. To my Brother IPSD Don Cabbage I say THANK you and Margaret for your support, friendship and guidance over the years. To the Knights and Ladies of the Louisiana Jurisdiction, I must say there have

been some very special moments for Verline and I as we traveled across the State to visit so many of you and your families at Council events and activities. Your welcoming and hospitality was great. We could not honor all of your invitations due to other commitments with Family, Church and other Knights of Columbus activities, but feel assured it was great hearing from you one and all.

To my Brother Knights of the Louisiana Jurisdiction, I say no matter what the rest of my life brings I will always cherish the fond memories and I Thank each one of you for all that you do to make the Louisiana Knights of Columbus such a Great Brotherhood. May God's blessing and love be upon you and your families and let us continue to Invest in the Knights of Columbus, to Promote the Knights of Columbus always and to Communicate openly with our Brothers Knights every where.

Vivat Jesus,

Invest. Promote. Communicate.



Invest. Promote, Communicate. is the official moniker for State Deputy Donald Fontenot. Fontenot noted the importance of the three items in the success of local councils, as well as the State Council. For additional information on the current administration, contact the State Office in Lafayette.

Good of the Order

To: The Officers and Members of the 103rd Annual Meeting of the Louisiana State Council held in Kenner, La.

The Good of the Order committee is aware of a proposed resolution to this State Meeting asking for a special committee to honor Louisiana citizens in the U.S. Armed Services who were killed or wounded during the war in the Middle East.

We support that resolution, and whatever means of honor the proposed committee develops. We also support the inclusion of that honor in the proceeding of the 2008 Annual State Meeting.

Your committee on the Good of the Order met on Friday, May 2, 2008, and fully discussed at length the following activity areas. After due deliberation, the committee urges all council, district and state leaders to see that the following recommendations are fully implemented.

The committee would also ask that at future conventions, each member of the Good of the Order Committee, as appointed, be forwarded a copy of the previous year's Good of the Order report to prepare committee members as to what is to be discussed.

**FIRST AND FOREMOST
WE ARE CATHOLIC**

The committee recommends the recitation of the Serran Prayer for Vocations at each council meeting and that the council chaplain should encourage the recitation of this prayer at all Masses. The committee further recommends that a prayer be offered at each council meeting for the beautification of our founder Father Michael J. McGivney. The council chaplain should be encouraged to be actively involved in council activities. In the absence of the council Chaplain, a deacon shall be asked to bring the message of our faith. The committee urges all councils to participate in the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). Each council should consider sponsoring a speaker on vocations to the various parochial schools. Recognizing that some clergy may still be apprehensive to Knights of Columbus involvement, the committee recommends each council strongly consider implementation of the Parish Round Table Program and thus show evidence of our belief that VOCATIONS ARE OUR BUSINESS and that each Grand Knight has a dialogue with each Pastor of churches in his council area. Each council should consider having a speaker on evangelization, to encourage each member to promote the Catholic faith

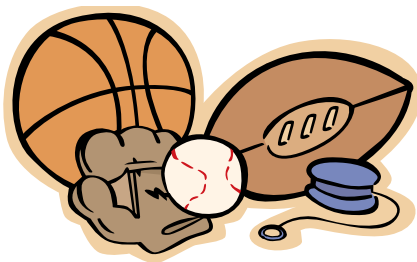
to non-Catholics, and to help fallen-away Catholics to become again active in the Church. One way this can be done effectively is by supporting evangelization through the RCIA program.

PRO-LIFE

The committee recommends increased efforts from the state level to provide more timely and specific information to the council level about upcoming activities such as Pro-Life Rallies. The committee encourages area, district and local Right To Life Masses and demonstrations. It is also recommended that continued active exposure to the public by each council be pursued. The committee encourages each council to construct a monument to the unborn in a prominent place, preferably on the church grounds and those that have one to maintain and have programs to bring Pro-Life to parishioners attention. We urge right-to-life education, to fight abortion, and specific projects. Such an enforcement by members and Grand Knights of letter writing campaigns from council members of state and federal governing bodies. We also urge the use of the vast amount of material that is available about the AIDS Virus, and promoting abstinence and chastity as a way of decreasing the threat of AIDS as well as decreasing abortions and moral decay.

The committee also recommends that councils become involved with local Right-To-Life organizations by way of participating in their events and getting on their mailing lists. The committee urges

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2008 K.C. Sports Calendar

Aug 9-10	State Softball Carencro
Sept 13	State Horseshoe Plaquemine
Oct 3-5	State Golf Lafayette
Nov 8	State Nine Ball Lafayette

103rd Annual State Convention Memorable Highlights



Photo 1: State Family Dinner attendees. **Photo 2:** General Agent Terry Kennedy(R) presents Shane Duplantis with Insurance Quality Service Award. **Photo 3:** General Agent Randy Lee (L) presents Tim Fernandez Quality Service Award. **Photo 4:** Clergy begin Convention Mass. **Photo 5:** Convention Delegates are attentive to Elected State Officers presentations. **Photo 6:** General Agent Scott Willis (R) presents David Chicola, Quality Service Award. **Photo 7:** Past State Deputies & Wives enjoy meal at State Family Dinner. **Photo 8:** State Family Dinner. **Photo 9:** State Deputy Don Fontenot presents William Dunckelman, Houma Christian School, Houma, with third place award for Pro-Life Oratory Contest. **Photo 10:** State Deputy Don Fontenot presents Brooke Carrier, Airline High School, Bosier City, second place prize for Pro-Life Oratory Contest. **Photo 11:** State Deputy Don Fontenot presents Eric Manuel, St. Thomas More High, Lafayette, with first place prize in Pro-Life Oratory Contest.

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use of material available to them from the Supreme Council pertaining to Pro-Life. The committee also urges members to fight pornography at the council, family and school levels. The committee further recommends that the State Council provide updated information of current Federal and State legislation on Pro-Life and Euthanasia.

BISHOP GRECO MEMORIAL FUND

The committee recommends that all councils use the recently initiated memorial cards to memorialize deceased council members. The cards are beautiful marbled cards with the matching envelopes. The card can be filled in with the name of the deceased and the name of the donating council. The card is mailed to the member's family. A donation of \$25.00 is then sent to the Greco Foundation for the trust fund.

The committee supports the allocation of 15% of YEP to the Bishop Greco Fund, per Resolution #3 in 1992.

RETREATS

The committee recommends that each council have a guest speaker with Catholic Retreats as the subject, and that each council schedule retreats for its members, individual as well as couples, encouraging husband and wife retreats whenever offered.

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

The committee recommends continual family involvement in council activities. The committee also recommends each council have a monthly Family Communion. The committee strongly recommends that widows of deceased council mem-

bers be included and recognized in every aspect of the council's life and activity. This committee further recommends that the council members make themselves available to provide assistance to the widows and receive a copy of the council news letter and provide transportation if needed.

YOUTH EXPANSION PROGRAM

The committee urges each council to actively support the Youth Expansion Program by annually exceeding its YEP quota, and by involvement in a youth organization such as Columbian Squires, Boy or Girl Scouts and/or Catholic Youth Organization (CYO). The committee recommends that all members in each council be asked to make a personal contribution to our Youth Expansion Program and councils should not depend on fund-raisers only. Each council should consider either making it a part of the dues or adding to their billing a \$10.00 voluntary contribution by each member. The committee recommends that all councils participate in the CYLA Program and that efforts be made to properly recognize the applicants and winners on the council level. The committee further recommends continued financial support of YEP.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE HEALTH SERVICES

The committee recommends each council sponsor an educational program on substance abuse by the law enforcement agencies to local junior and senior high schools. The committee urges all Knights to recognize local, state and federal law enforcement agencies. The commit-

tee further recommends that councils establish blood donation drives, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training programs and community blood pressure surveys.

FRATERNAL MEMBERSHIP NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT

The committee wishes to compliment the first degree and major degree corps in the Louisiana Jurisdiction for their excellent exemplifications which act as catalysts in encouraging all councils to obtain new, active members. The committee wishes to remind all members that it is our Supreme Council's desire that we have a KC council in every church parish and that we should aid all efforts to form a new council. It is also recommended that all members proposing new members into our Order assume responsibility for insuring the first-degree member receives his major degree as soon as possible, and remains an active member. The committee recommends that all councils show fraternalism when it comes to the financial aspect of a major degree. Also, we congratulate all councils that sponsor a first degree corps and we strongly recommend that every council make an attempt to establish a corps, and that all ceremonials be performed with the proper dignity. The committee recommends that every council make an effort to bring in new members, but that no less effort be expended to retain the members they now have. Council leaders and members should promote patriotism and

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Joel Ocmand
'07 Membership Director

It is time to end one Membership program year and begin the new year under new leadership and new direction. We have completed another Columbian Year and although not all of our goals were met we are blessed to have had the chance to strengthen our order through membership campaigns through out this year. We all strive to make improvements and build on the shoulders of our predecessors.

I will take this last time not to reflect on what we could have done but on what we did. In the last 2 Columbian Years under the leadership of State Deputy Don Fontenot we have added 2,365 new Brother Knights. In the hurricane stricken areas we have visited and lent a helping hand to our brothers in need.

These 2,365 new members of all ages will be the backbone of our order for years to come. They will be the next Council Program Directors, Membership Chairman, Grand Knights, District Deputies, Area Coordinators and possibly State Deputy of Louisiana. Or maybe they will be blood donors, religion teachers, coaches, drug awareness counselors, Senior Citizen Nursing home visitors, Special Olympics staff, and so much more.

Our order needs to grow and we must continue to add new members to our rosters. Each council should strive to make their quota, but most

importantly we must strive to be the backbones of our communities and church parishes. **If not YOU than WHO?????**

I end with a big Thank You to all of my brother Knights that supported my efforts to grow the order.
VIVAT JESUS



Paul Gagnet
'08 Membership Director

**Membership
An Every Time Thing**

Brothers, Membership in our order is a privilege not a given. We all spend endless hours working hard to make our councils the best that they can be. We work programs, fairs, spaghetti dinners, church functions, school functions, just about any type of event or function imaginable. We need to turn these programs or functions into opportunities where we can recruit the future of our councils. We as an order have grown to over 14,000 councils in just a short 125 years since Fr. Michael J. McGivney obtained our charter. Now more than ever, we need to think beyond our own domain and think about where our council is going to be five years from now, ten years from now and so on and so forth. Membership is a task which everyone in every council should be an active participant. You are a member of your council's membership committee. It is the responsibility of everyone to continue to recruit, re-

tain and readmit new and recent brothers to our councils.

Don't be trapped into a situation where you think you have tried everything, you have done everything, and that one time 30 years ago you tried something and it didn't work. The definition of "Insanity" is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting something to change. It's just not going to happen. There are many brothers in many councils who would love to take the responsibility of that council but are pushed aside because of various reasons. New ideas come from new brothers. Encourage participation in all of your council's activities. We have a saying in my council that goes like this, Why? Because we can do whatever we want! Point being that the only limitations on your councils is placed by those who fear change. Do something different.

Be proud of what your council has accomplished. Boast about it, develop a publicity committee and send information to the local newspapers. Above all, identify yourselves with our emblem either on shirts, hats, belts, flags, name tags. Let everyone know that you are in the Knights of Columbus. I would like each of you to ask yourselves what can I do different this year than I did last year to bring new brothers into our order? How can I get more involved with my council activities? What can I do to be a better knight? If you don't have a Form #100 with you at all times, how are you going to recruit? **Membership isn't a sometimes thing, it's an every time thing. I am very proud to let everyone know that "I am a Knight of Columbus!" I am looking forward to working with every council in the area of membership this year. Our goal this year is +1500 new brothers.**

"ASPIRE TO INSPIRE BEFORE YOU EXPIRE"
VIVAT JESUS

Membership

Membership Statistics from April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009

Co#	Location	Quota	NET	Co#	Location	Quota	NET
0714	New Orleans	5	0	3055	Gueydan	7	0
0969	Baton Rouge	6	0	3061	Covington	7	0
0970	Plaquemine	13	-7	3068	New Orleans	5	2
1087	Donaldsonville	9	1	3088	Hessmer	5	-2
1099	Napoleonville	13	-8	3091	Westwego	6	2
1108	Shreveport	5	0	3150	Cut Off	12	0
1114	Thibodaux	21	1	3200	Alexandria	5	1
1134	Alexandria	7	0	3202	Lafayette	8	-4
1173	Opelousas	5	0	3208	Lake Charles	6	2
1199	Cottonport	5	0	3246	New Orleans	7	0
1208	New Iberia	5	0	3298	Baton Rouge	8	0
1217	Marksville	8	0	3331	Baton Rouge	6	0
1276	St. Martinville	6	1	3353	Oberlin	5	0
1286	Lafayette	5	-3	3356	Cecilia	5	0
1317	Houma	9	0	3399	Krotz Springs	1	0
1318	Crowley	5	0	3407	Shreveport	9	0
1337	Monroe	6	6	3409	Opelousas	6	0
1357	Natchitoches	9	6	3411	New Orleans	5	-1
1373	Morgan City	5	0	3425	New Iberia	7	0
1420	Franklin	5	0	3465	Metairie	5	0
1425	Jeanerette	5	0	3470	Lafayette	5	1
1437	New Orleans	11	8	3475	Elton	5	0
1514	Vacherie	10	4	3496	Port Barre	5	0
1710	Patterson	9	2	3528	Kenner	5	0
1724	Algiers	5	0	3534	Oakdale	5	-1
1745	Eunice	5	3	3621	Arnaudville	5	0
1754	Ville Platte	5	0	3622	Moss Bluff	8	0
1817	Gramercy	11	0	3634	Norco	12	-1
1819	Bogalusa	6	1	3642	West Monroe	5	4
1897	Rayne	5	0	3662	Basile	5	0
1905	Gretna	12	0	3729	New Orleans	12	10
1988	Washington	5	0	3743	Baton Rouge	5	0
1998	New Roads	5	0	3779	Shreveport	8	1
2012	Jennings	7	0	3796	St Gabriel	5	0
2142	Plaucheville	5	1	3854	Harahan	5	4
2150	Morganza	5	0	3857	DeRidder	6	2
2281	Abbeville	12	0	3870	Duson	1	0
2395	Bunkie	5	4	3872	Erath	8	0
2398	Breaux Bridge	6	0	3923	Jefferson	5	0
2409	Luling	11	3	4010	Mansura	0	0
2432	Mansfield	5	0	4023	Leonville	5	0
2436	Reserve	7	0	4030	Baton Rouge	13	0
2504	Church Point	6	0	4033	Buras	5	0
2657	Prairieville	12	0	4085	Baker	5	3
2675	Mamou	5	1	4088	Minden	1	0
2732	Slidell	8	4	4156	Leesville	8	1
2807	Baton Rouge	10	5	4222	Marrero	7	1
2855	Welsh	7	1	4309	Centerville	6	0
2875	Port Allen	7	1	4346	White Castle	5	0
2878	Metairie	9	1	4508	Metairie	5	0
2893	Kinder	5	-2	4547	New Orleans	5	-1
2913	Kaplan	7	-1	4562	Lake Charles	16	0
2918	New Orleans	5	0	4663	Metairie	6	-1
2925	New Orleans	5	2	4676	Loreauville	5	0
2952	Hammond	18	0	4683	Lafayette	5	0
2972	Moreauville	5	5	4761	Raceland	6	1
2982	Iota	5	0	4787	Hathaway	5	4
3006	Iowa	7	0	4791	Estherwood	5	3
3012	Lake Arthur	5	-1	4818	Zwolle	5	0
3014	Creole	7	0	4873	Bossier City	13	2
3015	Sulphur	8	3	4874	Ponchatoula	8	-5
3048	Bell City	6	2	4906	Evangeline	5	0
3054	Lockport	9	0	4927	Parks	5	2

Co#	Location	Quota	NET	Co#	Location	Quota	NET	Co#	Location	Quota	NET
5013	Chauvin	14	4	8615	Gretna	6	0	10744	Brushly	5	4
5022	Lake Charles	5	0	8616	Pointe Aux Chenes	5	2	10745	Cankton	5	0
5048	Pine Prairie	5	1	8703	Port Sulphur	5	0	10800	Kraemer	5	0
5111	New Iberia	8	0	8743	Chackbay	5	1	10824	Ruston	5	0
5166	Delcambre	5	0	8770	Maurice	5	3	10902	Lydia	5	0
5301	Metairie	5	0	8779	Theriot	10	2	10911	Amite	5	1
5345	Lafayette	5	0	8805	DeQuincy	5	0	10912	Hammond	5	2
5352	Pierre Part	5	0	8840	Mathews	9	3	11014	Branch	5	0
5461	Cameron	5	0	8843	Leroy	5	0	11060	Tickfaw	5	0
5499	Crowley	9	0	8861	Shreveport	5	0	11061	Labadieville	5	0
5530	Baton Rouge	7	1	8878	Lakeland	6	0	11096	Coteau Holmes	5	0
5532	Lawtell	6	1	8898	Larose	10	-17	11212	Cow Island	5	0
5545	Houma	5	0	8901	Lafayette	7	-10	11270	Opelousas	5	-2
5627	Independence	6	0	8906	Thibodaux	5	1	11407	Grand Lake	5	0
5747	Chalmette	13	13	8932	Bourg	6	2	11491	Mowata	5	0
5755	Westlake	6	2	8978	North Sulphur	9	0	11576	Hackberry	5	0
5935	Laplace	10	0	9000	Golden Meadow	7	0	11792	New Iberia	5	2
6057	Youngsville	9	2	9007	Metairie	5	-5	11814	Pearl River	5	-1
6103	Vinton	6	1	9016	Baton Rouge	7	-1	11857	Vacherie	5	0
6170	Houma	8	0	9085	Barksdale AFB	5	-2	11921	Kenner	5	2
6211	Bayou Vista	5	1	9107	New Orleans	8	-42	12060	Thibodaux	5	3
6324	Monroe	5	0	9110	Jennings	5	0	12061	Many	5	0
6326	Denham Springs	14	0	9217	Belle Deau	5	0	12068	Grosse Tete	5	0
6357	Belle Chasse	11	0	9240	Mandeville	17	3	12072	Mandeville	8	9
6369	Avondale	5	0	9247	Baton Rouge	6	0	12103	Lecompte	5	0
6389	St Amant	6	5	9260	Shreveport	5	-17	12115	New Orleans	5	-5
6496	Abbeville	5	0	9281	Lacassine	5	0	12163	Milton	5	2
6531	Baton Rouge	5	2	9294	Echo	5	1	12179	Morgan City	5	-1
6746	Kenner	8	-8	9338	Houma	5	1	12209	Bordelonville	5	0
6753	French Settlement	5	0	9347	Metairie	5	1	12245	Franklinton	5	0
6870	Terrytown	6	1	9384	Marrero	5	0	12285	Schriever	5	1
6873	Baldwin	5	0	9415	New Orleans	5	9	12529	Abita Springs	7	4
6958	Carencro	5	-2	9418	Fifth Ward	5	0	12686	Metairie	5	0
6959	Egan	6	-3	9436	Richard	5	0	12734	Bossier City	5	0
7033	Ragley	5	0	9623	Laplace	6	3	12906	Covington	5	1
7050	Rynella	5	1	9692	Baton Rouge	9	-9	12989	Lacombe	5	1
7084	Berwick	5	0	9753	Tioga	5	2	12997	New Iberia	5	4
7226	Marrero	5	0	9769	Slidell	5	0	13145	Baton Rouge	5	0
7275	Lafayette	7	5	9912	Grand Prairie	5	0	13192	Natchitoches	5	0
7350	Barataria	9	0	9933	Luling	6	2	13296	Kolin	5	2
7355	Houma	11	0	9935	Duralde	5	0	13349	Waggaman	5	1
7411	Mire	7	12	9973	Slidell	9	1	13397	Thibodaux	5	1
7557	Broussard	14	1	10057	Harvey	5	0	13411	Thibodaux	5	0
7568	Scott	7	3	10080	Zachary	5	0	13425	River Ridge	5	2
7657	Bayou Blue	6	-1	10123	Kenner	5	-8	13505	Alexandria	5	0
7722	Dulac	8	0	10156	New Orleans	5	0	13632	Baton Rouge	5	-1
7856	St Francisville	5	0	10176	Folsom	5	2	13819	Houma	5	3
8029	Alexandria	6	3	10178	Albany	5	2	13931	Lake Charles	5	1
8030	Livonia	5	0	10185	Catahoula	5	0	14542	Lafayette	0	35
8031	Swartz	5	2	10269	Fenton	0	0				
8032	Oak Grove	5	0	10293	Lafayette	9	0				
8058	Carlyss	7	1	10349	Henderson	5	2				
8147	Gonzales	7	-13	10428	Eunice	5	0				
8322	Maplewood	6	0	10455	Baton Rouge	8	0				
8323	Johnson Bayou	5	0	10554	Arabi	5	0				
8324	Grand Chenier	5	0	10564	Simmesport	5	0				
8342	Prairieville	10	1	10606	Belle Rose	5	0				
8371	Amelia	5	0	10612	Houma	7	-3				
8438	Campiti	5	0	10613	Baton Rouge	5	0				
8442	Violet	5	0	10645	Lacombe	5	0				
8546	Metairie	6	-27	10717	Mermentau	0	0				
8583	Morse	5	0	10721	Judice	5	-3				
8601	Baton Rouge	7	2	10728	Shreveport	5	-10				

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encourage members of the third degree to join the fourth degree. Councils should make an effort to form and support a Columbian Squires Circle and a KC Ladies Auxiliary, which can be a future source of membership. The committee recommends the promoting of young members and make officers and active members promote young ideas. "Turn over the power". Make the KC's a place for young and old to blend and provide babysitters whenever possible. The committee also recommends that all councils send out bulletins monthly or quarterly, and that copies of the bulletin or newsletter be sent to five councils in the state, on a random basis, for the purpose of spreading and stimulating new ideas.

INSURANCE

In view of our Founder Father Michael J. McGivney's purpose to form a system of insurance so that the widows and children of members in the group when the member dies would not find themselves in dire financial straights, Knights of Columbus Insurance was instituted. As the insurance program not only provides this coverage but also helps to finance many of the programs of the Knights of Columbus, we encourage all members to become insurance members, especially State and Council leaders. The committee recommends that all councils make sure that they have adequate liability insurance as recommended by Supreme. The committee further recommends that the State Council petition Supreme Council to consider the possibility of providing types of insurance necessary to operate council facilities. Encourage Supreme to accept "uninsurance Resolution".

PROTOCOL

The committee recommends that members of the clergy and Knights of Columbus State Family and officers be properly recognized as to their titles or positions at all Knights of Columbus

meetings and functions. Also, we remind members of all the important aspects of protocol as explained in the protocol booklet. The committee also recommends that the State Officers reinstate the policy of visiting subordinate councils and protocol are strictly adhered to.

SERVICE

MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CITIZENS

The Louisiana Knights of Columbus are to be complimented for the tremendous support of the annual statewide fund raising program benefiting the learning impaired. Each council is called upon to continue this important work and to utilize to the fullest the involvement of families, Boy Scouts, Columbian Squires and KC Auxiliaries in the fund raising campaign. The committee recommends that councils use publicity to promote the Knight of Columbus donations by secular and religious newspapers. It is recommended that councils become more involved with activities of the learning impaired citizens at the local level and present the funds to them in a personal manner. The committee also urges councils to actively support the Special Olympics Program.

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SUPPORT OF THE ELDERLY AND INFIRMED

The committee urges each council to become actively involved in providing support for the elderly and infirmed citizens of our communities through such activities as weekly or monthly bingo at the retirement or health care facility, also Christmas-Thanksgiving Dinners, sponsoring Masses and communion services at the facility or just plain visitations. The committee also recommends that councils try to promote these programs at all times of the year, not only holidays and special occasions.

CONCLUSION

The committee urges all councils to implement with the fullest extent, the foregoing recommendations, in order to obtain the fullest implementation of these recommendations, the committee urges that all councils receive and display a copy of this report, and that a summary of this report be published in the June issue of the LOUISIANA KNIGHT. As a chairman of the Good of the Order committee, I would like to thank all committee members for their attendance, input, and participation at our meeting Friday afternoon. I would also like to thank the State Deputy for the privilege of serving on this committee.

EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE

All exemplifications in this schedule shall be conducted in the second and third degrees ONLY, by order of State Deputy Don Fontenot. 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
08.17.08	D.D. Peter Palermo (23)	Plaquemine 970
08.24.08	D.D. Michael Sullivan (55)	Leesville 4156
09.07.08	D.D. George Martin (37)	Broussard 7557
09.14.08	D.D. James Hebert (45)	Mamou 2675
09.21.08	D.D. Robert Kenvyn (47)	Iowa 3006
09.28.08	D.D. E. Chmielewski (59)	Bossier City 4873
10.12.08	D.D. John Luquette (18)	Thibodaux 1114
10.19.08	D.D. Gaspar Corpora (12)	Hammond 2952
10.26.08	D.D. Rene Pelanne (4)	Harahan 3854

103rd Annual State Convention Memorable Highlights



Photo 1: State Deputy Don Fontenot (center) and CYLA Chairman Wayne Lemoine present Lindsay Walker, Council 13819, Houma, the CYLA Girl Winner. *Photo 2:* Fontenot & Lemoine present William Duncelman, Council 9338, Bayou Black, CYLA Boy Winner.

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Photo 3: 103rd Annual KC Convention General Assembly. **Photo 4:** IPSD Don Cabbage (R) presents PSD Award to Frank Guarisco, Council 1710, Patterson. **Photo 5:** State Deputy Don Fontenot (L) presents State Deputy Award Third Place to Vince Dileo, Grand Knight, St. Alphonsus Liguori Council 2807, Baton Rouge. **Photo 6:** Archbishop Alfred Hughes accepts offertory gifts from State Deputy Don Fontenot & wife, Verline. **Photo 7:** State Deputy Award Runner-Up is being accepted by Ernest Chmielewski, Bossier Council 4873, Bossier City. **Photo 8:** Archbishop Alfred C. Hughes leads other clergy members during procession prior to Convention Mass. **Photo 9:** State Deputy Donald Fontenot (R) presents Archbishop Alfred C. Hughes, with KC contribution to the New Orleans Diocese. **Photo 10:** Radio Maria's John Tuminello broadcast the majority of the 103rd Annual State Convention. **Photo 11:** State Deputy Donald Fontenot & wife Verline, arrive at the Convention Banquet in a vintage antique car. **Photo 12:** Grand Knight Mike Rose, Marian Council 3779, Shreveport, makes comments after being presented the State Deputy Award First Place trophy. Marian Council scored the maximum score of 1000. **Photo 13:** Family of the Year Winner Frank Guarisco (second from left), Patterson Council 1710, Patterson, accepts award from Michael Heath (L), Acting Family Life Director, State Deputy Donald Fontenot (second from right) and Jan Heath, wife of Michael.



60th Annual K.C. State Softball Championship

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Softball, Once Again Fun, Exciting, & Competitive

CARENCRO, Louisiana - With a band of showers falling in the Carencro area on Friday, the 60th Annual Softball Tournament began with conditions on the muddy side. But, as the sun's rays dried the fields, the weather and competitions heated up. The Regular Division of play has a 15 team bracket, the Veterans Division had 11 teams competing and the Co-Ed/Mixed once again had just 4 teams for a grand total of 30 teams competing in this year's event.

The Knights of Columbus Regular Division was highlighted by an extremely gutsy and impressive seven game win streak by St. Hillary Council 8840 from Mathews. After losing their first game on Saturday morning to St. Joseph Council 5013,

by a count of 16-11. St. Hillary prevailed over teams like the team that put them in that losers bracket, 2007 Runner-up Assumption Council 1099, the defending Champion Teurlings 3202 and the eventual 2008 Champion, Assumption 7411. St. Hillary put a stellar performance in the first game of the finals as they forced an "if necessary" with a 12-10 victory. In the championship game, Assumption 7411 was surely a little more rested and perhaps just got warmed up with the first game as they had no trouble in game 2, and captured the 60th Championship by a margin of 19-8.

In the 35year and older Veterans Division the question was would Assumption 7411 regain the Veteran Title they held for the majority of years the event has been held. This year's third place award went to a St. Gregory 6170 bunch out of Houma.



Assumption Council 7411, Mire Regular Division Champions



**St. Anthony Council 7350, Barataria
Veterans Division Champions**



**Assumption Council 7411, Mire
Mixed Division Champions**

They lost their first game and came storming back through the loser's bracket but the gas ran out as they could not get by a somewhat fresh Assumption.7411. But Assumption could not seem to get past St. Anthony 7350 the defending champs. The Barataria bunch was on top at the end of a back and forth battle early Sunday morning. They then had a chance to relax while Mire stayed on the field in the heat. In the Championship game St. Anthony came out on top once again in a back and forth battle between the two best teams in the Veterans Division. Congratulations 7350 for another great performance and your second title in as many years.

The Co-Ed division has not grown very much but still provides some of the best play in the championship. Could Sacred Heart Council 7557 (Broussard) capture their third championship in as many years? After winning the first game, they failed to be victorious in the next two games. Fr. Fontaine 4791

(Estherwood) would once again force an "If Necessary" game coming through the losers bracket, but had to settle for the Runner-Up trophy for the second straight year. This Year would see the Assumption council 7411 from Mire, LA walk away with the top honors in the Co-Ed Bracket.

Once again the biggest highlight of the softball tournament was not a softball game at all, but the outdoor mass. A big THANK YOU once again goes out to Fr. Bill Melancon, Pastor of St. Peters Catholic Church in Carencro, who came out to the park to celebrate mass so we can fulfill our obligations.



**Fr. Fontaine 4791, Estherwood
Mixed Division 2nd Place**



**St. Hillary 8840, Matthews
Regular Division 2nd Place**



**St. Gregory 6170, Houma
Regular Division 3rd Place**



**St. Joseph 5013, Houma
Regular Division 4th Place**



**Assumption 7411, Mire
Veterans Division 2nd Place**



**St. Gregory 6170, Houma
Veterans Division 3rd Place**

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