

Louisiana Knight

Calendar

- December 25 **CHRISTmas**
- January 1 **New Years Day**
- January 10 **Deadline - Payment**
Supreme Catholic Advertising
- January 11 **Deadline - Council**
Substance Abuse Poster Contest
- January 15 **State Per Capita Mailed to F.S.**
- January 15 **Deadline - CYLA Applications**
to Councils
- January 15 **Deadline - Family of the Month**
- Jan 21-23 **State Retreat, Pineville**
Maryhill Retreat Center
- January 30 **Grand Knights Day, Lafayette**
Teurlings Catholic High School
- January 30 **State Cook Off, Lafayette**
Teurlings Catholic High School
- January 30 **Acompanso Raffle, Lafayette**
Teurlings Catholic High School
- January 31 **Deadline - Fraternal Activity**
Form #1728
- January 31 **Deadline - Free Throw**
Participation, Form #FT1
- January 31 **Deadline - Council Free Throw**
- January 31 **Deadline - Council Substance**
Abuse Posters
- January 31 **Deadline - Special Olympics**
Profile, Form #4584
- February 2 **Deadline - CYLA Council**
Winners to Area Coordinator
- February 5 **Deadline - Substance Abuse**
Posters to Area Coordinator
- Feb 5-6 **State Bowling Tournament**
Metro Bowl, Baton Rouge
- Feb 5-Mar 2 **CYLA Area Competition**
- Feb 11-13 **Camp Joshua, Lake Charles**
- Feb 12-13 **State Bowling Tournament**
Metro Bowl, Baton Rouge
- February 15 **Deadline - Semi Annual Council**
Audit, Form No. 1295
- February 15 **Deadline - Family of the Month**
- February 15 **Deadline - District Free Throw**
Contest Concluded
- February 28 **Deadline - PSD Award**
Nomination
- March 1 **Submit Articles for LA Knight**
- March 1 **Deadline - Area Free Throw**
Contest
- March 1 **Deadline - Area Substance**
Abuse Poster Winners to State
- March 3 **Deadline - Area CYLA Winners**
to CYLA Chairman
- March 8 **Mardi Gras**
- March 9 **ASH WEDNESDAY**
- March 11-13 **Camp Joshua, Ruston**
- March 12-13 **State Basketball Tournament**
Various Gyms, Kenner
- March 12 **KC Knight @ NO Hornets game**





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Brother Knights and families Dee and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you the very best of the joyous and holy season. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please remember Jesus is the reason for the season and wish people Merry Christmas and not Happy Holidays.

Things are going good in the state and we are busy with activities and projects every where I travel around the state. I am amazed at the work our Knights do for the communities and parishes around the state.

The annual mid-year meeting of the state family went well in Covington on the first weekend of December. We had a very good turnout of members and state family members in attendance. The members listened to several presenters who had special presentations of interest. We were privileged to have Brother Gary Nolan from the Supreme Office with us for the weekend.

I would like to remind all of the officers in the councils of Louisiana that it is not to early to turn in the Fraternal Survey Activity form. This form keeps us as a tax exempt status and helps Knights to stay ahead of the game. You cannot say too much about what you do as a charitable organization, as we all forget what we do during the year so

we should mark it down as we go.

The form is on-line and is very user friendly and adds up the numbers for you as you enter the hours we all work for charity and to help our people.

Remember our priests this year as the holidays are fast approaching and they can get let down with their families far away. Include them in your Christmas get together and parties. We have some of the best priests in the world taking care of us and we should take care of them whenever we can. Offer your priest help in the things he would like to see done in his parish.

Our Convention Chairman is working hard to put the convention together for our convention in Kenner this year and promises a good time for one and all. Come out and see how we have changed tthe convention. The convention will be April 29, 30 and May 1, 2011 in Kenner, LA. The hotels in Kenner are promising a good time.

Vivat Jesus



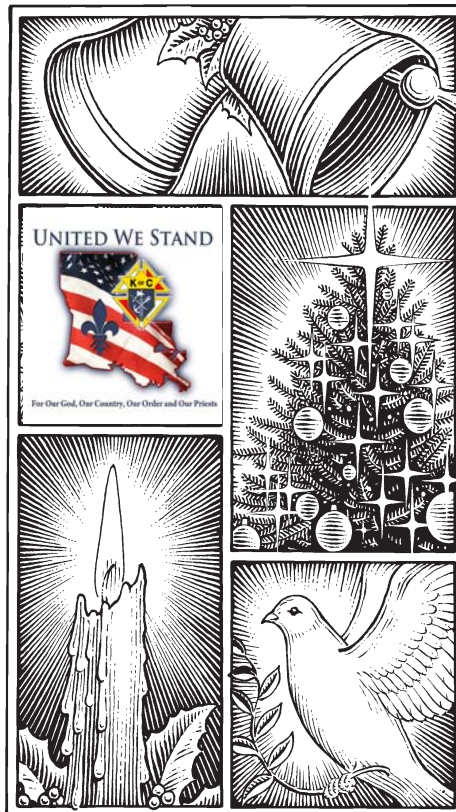
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There are many things that need rebuilding.

Hope – After the two storms on the Louisiana coast and in Mississippi, the Knights were very helpful. They spend much money in aid to these two states.

Recently I read about the destruction caused by Hurricane Ike last year in Texas. Many people outside that region heard little about it. People were interested in politics, and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan kept it out of the headlines except for the following day. For those who lived through it, however, the destruction was unlike any other storm.

James Braus, a KC field agent in Bridge City, Texas rode out Hurricane Rita in 2005, which he called a “dry storm” because the wind damage was far worse than that caused by the water, and Gustav in 2008, which was felt mostly in Louisiana. When Ike finally landed squarely on the Texas Gulf Coast, the storm surge was like a mini-tsunami according to Braus. It brought with it salt water from the Gulf, along with grass, bugs, snakes and alligators from the coastal marshes. And after the waters receded, mud covered house interiors, streets and yards. People from Galveston weren’t able to get



back to the island for 10 days because the causeway was littered with boats.

When Jim Kerwin, Past Grand Knight of Council 787 got back to his home in Galveston, his refrigerator and freezer were still without power. As the clean up began, people had to drag everything that was damaged – all their belongings up to four feet above the floor – out to the street curb. And there it all sat until crews came along to clean it up, which took up to three weeks. Six inches of flood water in a house is like two drops of motor oil in a quart of ice cream, “it ruins the whole thing”, said Braus, adding that only 14 houses in Bridge City were spared from the floodwaters.

The massive earthquake that struck Haiti in January killed a quarter of a million people and injured even more. Nearly 800 children lost an arm or leg. The Knights of Columbus have already distributed about a thousand wheel chairs to those injured and even more are on the way. The KC Board of Directors launched a new initiative called “Hope for Haiti Children” with the promise to provide every child who lost a limb with a prosthetic and the

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**2011 K.C. State Basketball
Tournament Date Change
to March 12-13**



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The Youth Expansion Program (Y.E.P.) Fund Raising from the 2009-2010 year was very successful, allowing the Knights of Columbus Louisiana State Council to dedicate more funding to Youth Programs and special Youth related activities this year. We are seeing an increased budget for the 2010-1011 year in the Y.E.P. Program funding by 27% to \$167,000. As the Knights of Columbus provides a leadership role for our Church, Family and Community in the Area of Youth support and activities we must dedicate the resources needed to provide these services. The Knights of Columbus in Louisiana is to be commended for the results achieved last year, but this only sets the standard that we must all exceed to support future Knights of Columbus Youth Programs for our Church, Family and Community in the future.

One noteworthy new program implemented by the Knights of Columbus Louisiana State Council is the purchase of an Ultra Sound Imaging Machine from Y.E.P. funds, with matching funds from the Supreme Council for a second Ultra Sound Imaging Machine. Councils should be encouraged to contribute to the full quota amount to promote the purchase of as many of the

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YEP

\$150,000

\$125,000

\$100,000

\$75,000

\$50,000

\$25,000

\$2699

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physical therapy they need. Project Medishare, the group that runs the hospital in Port au Prince, indicates that will require 1 million dollars.

And when Tropical Storm Ketsana devastated the Philippines in late September, the Knights were there to help.

I missed my December *Columbia* magazine until I picked one up at the Chancery Office.

These jurisdictions lost many members. So, Brother Knights, try to recruit and increase your membership. As Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson puts it, "A society with no hope in the future is, not surprisingly, a society that would trade a celebration of birth for one of consumerism."

I believe that our merciful Father in heaven wants us to prepare for the last day that may come at any time. We will read about all this at the closing of the Church year and the beginning of the new year.

Vivat Jesus!

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Ultra Sound Imaging Machines as the Budget will allow, while the Supreme Council matching funds program is still being offered.

The Funds collected by YEP fund all the Youth Activities sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Council contributions and donations are 95% of the funds collected under YEP. Each Council's Quota is \$10 per Regular Member. It is very important that each Council meet or exceed their Quota to enable the continued funding of the Knights of Columbus sponsored Youth Activities. Consider a separate YEP Fund Raising event to contribute additional funds to YEP. Now is the time to remind Councils for these Fund Rais-

ers to occur. Membership Dues Notices are being sent out in December, Councils should be encouraged to send out requests for voluntary contributions for YEP with the Membership Dues Notices. Councils that do coordinate this activity have been successful at achieving Council YEP Quotas. Funds can be sent to the YEP Chairman at any time of the Year, but must be submitted by April 5, 2011 to be counted for points towards the 2011 State Deputy's Award.

The 2010-11 KC LA State Budget funds the following Youth Programs (\$167,000)

- CYLA Awards — \$32,000
- Catholic Student Centers — \$25,000
- Seminarian and Vocations Support — \$9,500
- Columbian Squires — \$5,000
- Pro-Life Camp — \$30,000 (50% increase over 2009)
- Diocesan Scouting Awards — \$7,500
- Youth Retreats — \$4,000
- Soccer Challenge — \$3,000 (50% increase over 2009)
- Free Throw Competition — \$6,000 (50% increase over 2009)
- Other Youth Programs — \$10,000
- Purchase Ultra Sound Machines — \$35,000 (Supreme Fund Match)

We thank you for your support of YEP and look forward to this year being a banner year for the Program. May you have a very Blessed Merry Christmas and God bless you, your family and your Council for your support of our Youth and Unborn through your generous participation in YEP.

If you have any questions concerning YEP, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Vivat Jesus!



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Pris and I would like to extend to you and your families a heartfelt Merry Christmas and a most blessed and Happy New Year. Many councils throughout the state have yard and vehicle signs saying, "Keep Christ in Christmas," please consider purchasing one and displaying it in your front yard and on your vehicle. This is a wonderful way to spread the true meaning of Christmas.

On January 15, 2011, Per Capita invoices will be mailed to all councils for our semi-annual billing. A few councils still have not mailed in their per capita tax from the previous billing cycle, so if your council is one of the councils, please mail in your payment before January 15th. We ask District Deputies to remind their councils about paying per capita tax.

The "Welcome Back Program," is working very well in our state. We are inviting suspended members to re-join our Order and keep in mind that suspended insurance members count for double recognition. If you need information regarding Welcome Back, give Lee Allen Simon a call, he will be happy to help you attain your membership quotas. Thank you for all your hard

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work and prayers, membership is doing very well. Please continue your great work and a special thanks goes out to Uncle Paul Gagnet. His enthusiasm is catching. You may find phone numbers on our state website, louisianakc.org

I am looking forward to the upcoming New Year; we have a number of events and activities planned for 2011, such as Pro-Life Marches, Grand Knight's Day, and our State Convention, to name a few events. So I hope see you at all of the 2011 events.

May God bless you and your families and may the Joy and Peace of Jesus Christ be with you this Christmas Season. Please pray for children in need throughout the world. "No child should ever cry on Christmas, no child should ever be afraid on Christmas Day."

Vivat Jesus.



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Brother Knights, as we prepare to close another calendar year let us all focus on completing a few important forms and submitting them to the Supreme Office and to the State Deputy by January 31, 2011.

The first form is # 4584 is the Partnership Profile Report with Special Olympics report form. I ask each and every council to complete this simple form and submit it to Supreme. The

more councils that submit this form the more money is allocated by Supreme to the Louisiana jurisdiction.

The second form is # 1728. This form is of vital importance to the Order as it helps the Knights of Columbus to maintain its tax-free status. There is a major concern over losing our tax-free status and with all councils submitting this form; the Order can document all the charitable works done on the local, national and international level.

I would like to remind each council of their obligation to complete their Semiannual Audit and submit it by February 15.

January 1, 2011 begins the second half of our fraternal year. The second half is a very busy time. Many of our state programs are in the final stages and we should all look forward to attending Grand Knight's Day on January 30 in Lafayette. The state convention is fast approaching and all councils should be concentrating on completing the activity forms for the State Deputy Award. Please don't wait until the day before the deadline to submit any of the forms. Complete them as soon as possible and get them submitted on time.

As I close this article, on behalf of Mary Kay and myself, I would like to wish you and your family a very blessed Merry *CHRIST*mas and a Happy New Year.

VIVAT JESUS

2011 Camp Joshua
February 11-13
Lake Charles
March 11-13
Ruston
April 1-3
Baton Rouge



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I find Knights of Columbus members engaged, in programs affiliated with their Dioceses:

They assist Vocation Directors, Chaplains appointed by the Bishop for the guidance of Seminarians, Deacons and Priest. Working with Serra Clubs dedicated to helping promote, and foster vocation to Seminarians in the journey to becoming a priest.

These KC Councils cook meals for the receptions of Diaconal Ordinations, and Priest Ordination. Working Bishops Golf Tournaments that proceeds go to Diocese Vocations.

We have Knights of Columbus members in the importance of communicating the hopes and objectives of our catholic faith over Radio Maria in the Alexandria Diocese. We are blessed with gifted Knights contributing to building the Faith and teaching the Gospel. Councils assisting with the Rosary of our Blessed Mother radio broadcast. Plant to attend this wonderful event.

Knights of Columbus Councils are also involved with helping the Catholic Youth at the Catholic Center and the Priest assigned by the Bishop to LSUA.

I close with thank you Worthy Grand Knights, District Deputies and Area Coordinator for introducing Bishop's activities to your Councils.

God bless you and your families.
Vivat Jesus.



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I would first like to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the peace of Christ on His birth be in each and everyone.

We are quickly approaching an important deadline for the council's to obtain applications from our Church parishes and local High Schools from our graduating Boys and Girls. So why is it so important to our councils and youth.

The Catholic Youth Leadership Award Program is one of the most dynamic and rewarding programs that the State Council offers. CYLA places an emphasis on Catholic values, scholastic achievement, athletics, and leadership in the areas of church, school and community. Catholic seniors throughout the state of Louisiana are eligible to participate in the CYLA program. The only requirement is that they must be nominated by a council within the Louisiana jurisdiction. Each council that participates in the CYLA program will find it to be both rewarding and fulfilling. Giving outstanding Catholic seniors the opportunity to compete for cash prizes, awards, and recognition is the very foundation of the CYLA program.

Councils that participate in the program turn in their nomination forms to the Area Coordinators. Area Coordinators conduct their respective area competition and award one boy and one girl the distinction of being an area winner as well as a state finalist. The Area Coordinator then sends the nomination forms to the finalist to the state chairman. A total of 24 finalists will compete for the state championship. The state chairman appoints ten state level judges who will grade the nomination forms of the finalists and conduct the verbal competition held in April. Copies are made of the finalist nomination forms, but, the names of the finalists are censored so that the state judges are

not aware of the names of the finalist or who nominated the finalist. Then the copies of the nomination forms are mailed to the state judges for grading. Upon completion by the state judges, the scores are tallied by the state chairman and are used as part of the overall score of the finalist.

Every student nominee should utilize the online interactive nomination form found at the state web site. This allows for a neater and more standardized application to be produced, permitting the maximum room for content to describe the nominee's activities and accomplishments. We will continue to

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A large, shiny silver Christmas ornament is the central focus, resting on a red surface. A gold ribbon is draped across the scene, partially behind the ornament. The background is a deep red with a subtle texture.

**May The CHRISTmas Season
Bring You Peace,
Love & Joy!**

Susan Camel
Robert Boudreaux
K.C. State Office

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streamline the online form and encourage all councils to promote its use.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

January 15th, 2011...Application deadlines for Students to turn in forms to Councils

February 2, 2011...Deadline for submitting Council winners to the Area Coordinator

February 7, 2011 thru March 2, 2011...Area Competition

March 3, 2011...Deadline for Area Competition Winners to be submitted to the State CYLA Chairman.

April 10th, 2011...STATE FINALS - TOP 12 BOYS AND TOP 12 GIRLS.



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- B. Take a monthly income guaranteed for life;
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* **SURRENDER CHARGES.** Early withdrawal incurs a small surrender charge of 5, 5, 4, 4, 3, 3, and 2 percent of amount withdrawn over 7 years. You are always allowed 10% withdrawal per year without any penalty.

To take advantage of this opportunity contact your Knights of Columbus Field Agent, or the following General Agents:

- Terry Kennedy, 985.649.2703
- Kirk Duplantis, 225.295.1090
- Scott Willis, 337.477.0933



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Brother Knights, I know you and your councils will be doing the best you can for this most worthy campaign. We know there will be some councils who will not contribute and we again ask those councils to do their best to have a fund drive. We are not looking for councils to raise millions, small fund drives are also welcomed. We are very sorry because it is the schools and agencies that need small donation and or the ones that suffer from your council not having a fund drive. To those Councils that did not have a fund drive in the past, I beg you to have a fund drive as soon as possible for the sake of the people with mental disability in your area.

Brothers what ever the amount of the fund drive the Beneficiary that receives these funds will be grateful for your efforts, hard work and dedication as well as your financial support. "THANK YOU" Brother Knights for supporting this program.

Don't forget you must remember to complete and turn in the "FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT FORM" with the fund drive funds to the State Office on or before March 31, 2011. Also please read over the information being requested from you on this

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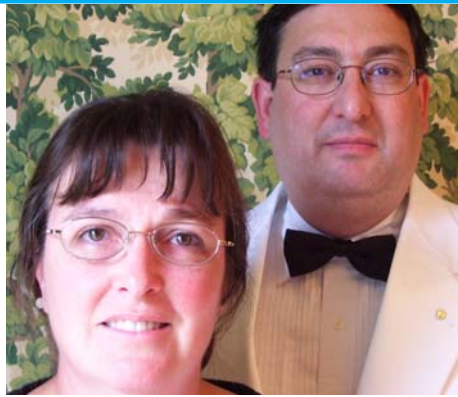
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form. We need the information in order to process the check that is returned to you in the name of your Beneficiary.

Grand Knights please be on the lookout for your Beneficiary's check that the State Office will return to you. I give this warning because through the years we have had many checks lost that were sent to the Grand Knight. Your council members and family have worked too hard raising this money to have the checks lost or misplaced. Remember your Beneficiary is counting on receiving this money they so desperately need. When you make the presentation of the check to your Beneficiary ask them to deposit the check as soon as possible. The reason is, this helps the State office in closing out each fraternal year's campaign. We also must have a Zero (0) balance in the MDF bank account every June 30th for the previous fraternal year's, campaign.

Vivat Jesus!!!

I am Knights of Columbus.



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As we approach the wonderful Christmas season, our joy is somewhat overshadowed diminished by the sorrow caused by abortion.

Some two thousand years ago, Jesus entered the world in a violent time. Jesus' life was threatened by King Herod who went about killing all Jewish males who were two years old or younger. The story is prophesized in the Old Testament by Jeremiah (31:15) and spoken once again in the New Testament by Matthew (2:18) "A voice was heard in Ramah, sobbing and loudly lamenting: it was Rachel weeping for her children, refusing to be com-

forted because they were no more."

The killings of these Jewish babies was ordered by Herod to eliminate the threat that Jesus, a Jew, would one day rule the kingdom. Herod of course thought this was his kingdom here on earth. So his selfish rampage took place and babies were killed in a very violent, selfish act so that Herod could retain his kingdom and the wealth it held.

Today, we face the violent death of not perhaps hundreds as was in Jesus' time, but of millions. Yes, millions of babies. All of these killings are for selfish, self-centered reasons, just as in Jesus' day. Those faced with an unplanned pregnancy look to abortion as a means of preserving what they have. Their convenience. Their happiness. Their wealth.

As the Blessed (Mother) Theresa of Calcutta said, "*It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so that you may live as you wish.*"

Abortion in our country is indeed "a poverty", as nearly one third of our growing population is killed each year through abortion. All of these killings are for selfish, self-centered reasons. All of them occur to eliminate the threat that someone will not be able to live as they wish.

On December 28th each year, our church celebrates a special feast, the Feast of the Holy Innocents. This feast is dedicated to those babies who died some two thousand years ago as Mary & Joseph fled to Egypt at the urging of an angel who warned Joseph of the coming madness described in the second chapter of Matthew.

Please take time in your day if you can and attend mass on this very special feast day. Remember those who died back then and those innocent lives that die today. Then, like the angel, spread the word. Help tell others of the violent and unnecessary nature of



Once again, the Louisiana State Council will participate in the Louisiana Open Raffle Ticket Program.

Tickets sell for \$10 each.

Your Council Makes \$5 for every ticket sold.

Your Council has NO EXPOSURE or EXPENSE.

Tickets will be available at Grand Knights Day.

Put this fund raiser on your calendar, and reap the benefits.

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abortion by attending one or more of the upcoming marches for life, supporting your local pregnancy resource center, or one of the many other means we use to educate others & promote pro-life issues.

Especially vulnerable to the empty promises abortion provides are the young, our teenagers. For many, an unplanned pregnancy comes while they are still in high school or just entering college, away from home for the first time. Education of our youth is critical. One way to help accomplish this important task is to promote Louisiana Camp Joshua, a pro-life camp for teenagers. For more information about this special weekend retreat, please visit www.prolifelouisiana.org and follow the Camp Joshua link. The program which is co-sponsored by the Louisiana Right to Life Federation, Louisiana Knights of Columbus, and the Louisiana Students for Life has grown and this year will consist of three sessions in Ruston, Lake Charles, & Baton Rouge. Consider sponsoring youth from your church parish or Council KC family by sending them to this camp.

Information about Pro-Life Marches throughout the State which occur around the anniversary of Roe v Wade (January 22nd) can also be found at this website.

Have a joyous Christmas and please remember those in need. For the Unborn.

UNITED WE STAND



For Our God, Our Country, Our Order and Our Priests



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Worthy State Officers, Worthy Clergy Members, Worthy State Chairman, Worthy State Family, and Brother Knights, the Columbian State Squires have been active in their Circles and preparing for the next 6 months of activities. Here is a list of the activities for the upcoming 2011 Fraternal Year.

January 14-16, 2011 Squires Retreat- Prairieville Circle

February 19-20, 2011 Squires Bowling Tournament- New Orleans Circle

March 19-20, 2011 Squires Olympics – Hammond Circle *

April 2, 2011 Squires Family Fun Day- Houma/ Bayou Black Circle*

June 11-12, 2011 Squires Convention- Prairieville Circle

*** New activities**

The information for the State Squires Retreat has been emailed out and all forms for the event are on the Louisiana State Squires website louisianasquires.org. We are looking forward to educating these young men and giving them time away from electronics and fresh air, Catholic worship, fun, and friendship. Our State Squires Chaplin Fr. Keith Landry will be with us all weekend and will offer Mass on Saturday afternoon by the lake with the sunset as a backdrop. What better way to get back to nature and getting to know God better.

As of December 1, 2010, Supreme shows our State Membership for the Squires as 37 new members and one new Circle to date. We have six more months of recruiting and are only a third of our goal. We are in the top 5 in Division 1 in the order. We have many opportunities still to attain our goal this year. We have some Circles that have not recruited a new Squire this year. We also have some Circles that need to

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Career Opportunities

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update their rosters to include Squires that are not officially a Squire at Supreme, please send the application forms in. Starting a new Circle will add to our membership and help us attain our goal of seven new Circles. I want to thank Plaucheville Circle 5366 for recruiting 15 new members and Sulphur Circle 3984 for 10 new members and 3 other Circles for obtaining 100% quota, Lutcher, Simmesport, and Broussard. With this being said, we have a membership incentive for the highest amount of new members recruited by a Circle in the state.

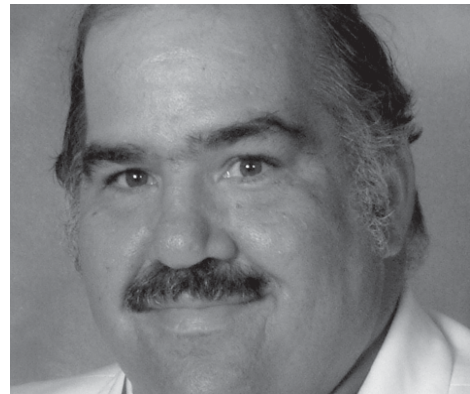
We are calling it the "Championship Run;" the winner of the recruiting drive will get \$100 at the State Squires Convention for their Circle. The membership drive ends June 1, 2011. Good Luck!

The Louisiana State Squires are having a fund raiser starting in January until May at the Louisiana State Knights of Columbus Convention. We are selling raffle tickets for \$5 a ticket and the prize is a \$500 gift card to Academy Sporting Goods. We will be selling tickets at Grand Knights Day and we will put tickets in all the Council packets. We will sell them until the State Convention and have the drawing for the prize on the last day of Convention. Winner need not be present to win.

As we look forward to the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, remember to make time to soak in the true meaning of Christmas during this hustle and bustle time of year. Share the joy of giving and not taking, share the warmth of helping those in need, and giving thanks for all the things God has given us especially faith, hope, and love, but, most of all love. Please make every effort to go to Mass and listen to

your priest and deacon teaching us how we can be a part of the greatest gift to man, the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. My Family and I want to wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy and safe New Year to you and your family.

Vivat Jesus.



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As we make final preparations for one of the more special holidays of the year, let us all remember the real reason we celebrate Christmas. May you and your family have a very Merry and enjoyable Christmas.

On November 14, 2010 our State Soccer Challenge was held in Baton Rouge at the Burbank Soccer Complex. One of more remarkable things about this particular day was the fact that throughout this event it never rained, even though every weather forecast called for heavy rain on this day. One of the other highlights of this event was the scoring of a few of the participants. Prior to this event the highest score any of our State winners had scored was 250 during our State Challenge. This year our 11 year old girl Andi Bouisson scored 220 points , our 13 year Old Boy Alexander Stroh scored 250 points and our 14 Boy Gabe Vandegrift scored 290 Points. Thanks to all Broth-

ers Knights and ladies who assisted with this event.

Many Councils should be in their final stages toward implementing your Councils Substance Abuse Poster Contest. This program is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 8-14 years old. Each Council should conduct their Council Contest by January 31, 2011, and Council winners are due to each Area Coordinator by February 5, 2011. Council leaders please remember a few important reminders about this program and they are:

(1) Each participant must focus on only theme of either Drug Awareness and Abuse or Alcohol Awareness and Abuse

(2) Each entry must be accompanied with the Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Entry Form

(3) Please make your Council number is being indented on the Entry form.

(4) This program allows these boys and girls to showcase their own individual talents and at same time reminds them about the dangers and drug and alcohol abuse

Councils who plan to conduct a Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest should start promoting and planning this event as soon as possible. Now is the time to start looking for dates and locations to hold this event. Our Free Throw Contest is a great way to provide entertainment and enjoyment for the young people in your community. Remember this program is set up to have the contestants compete within their own gender and age group. In addition by conducting this program you are also providing boys and girls between the ages of 10-14 years to excel at various levels of competition. Win-

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ners move on to the district, regional, and state levels. From there, some make it to the international level for championship competition in their group.

Our State Council provides other outstanding youth program as well. Two that come to mind is our Youth Expansion Program and our Catholic Youth Leadership Award Program. Councils are urged to be generous in their donations to YEP Program. Please remember is that through donations that we are able to fund youth programs such as Free Throw, Substance Abuse, Soccer Challenge, CYLA, Columbian Squires and etc. Our CYLA program for many years has allowed Councils to recognize outstanding Catholic Senior boys and girls in their respective church parishes. Throughout our state there are many boys and girls that is certainly very deserving of the recognition that Councils can provide them through the CYLA Program. As Youth Director I encourage all Councils to embrace and participate in these two outstanding programs. In addition there may be many other programs that your Council can get involved in trying to assist the youth of our local church parish and community.



State Youth Director Delmas Forbes (top left) proudly presents the 2010 Louisiana Soccer Challenge Winners. Front Row, (L-R) Dani Donovan, Girls 10 & Under Winner; Andi Buisson, 11 Year Old Winner; Alexandra Bothe, 12 Year Old Winner; Allison LaRose, 13 Year Old Winner; and Darah Bueche, 14 Year Old Winner. Back Row, (L-R) Forbes; Jacob Gauthreaux, 10 Year Old Winner; Michael LaRose, 11 Year Old Winner; Seth Nicholas, 12 Year Old Winner; Alexander Stroh, 13 Year Old Winner; Gabe Vandegrift, 14 Year Old Winner; James Riente, State Warden; and Tim Boudreaux, State Program Director.

2010 State Soccer Results

- 10 Year Old Girl**
- 10 Year Old Boy**
- 11 Year Old Girl**
- 11 Year Old Boy**
- 12 Year Old Girl**
- 12 Year Old Boy**
- 13 Year Old Girl**
- 13 Year Old Boy**
- 14 Year Old Girl**
- 14 Year Old Boy**

- Dani Donovan**
- Jacob Gauthreaux**
- Andi Buisson**
- Michael LaRose**
- Alexandra Bothe**
- Seth Nicholas**
- Allison LaRose**
- Alexander Stroh**
- Darah Bueche**
- Gabe Vandegrift**

- Council 3208, Lake Charles**
- Council 2657, Gonzales**
- Council 3208, Lake Charles**
- Council 1317, Houma**
- Council 2409, Luling**
- Council 7856, St. Francisville**
- Council 1317, Houma**
- Council 3208, Lake Charles**
- Council 6326, Denham Springs**
- Council 7856, St. Francisville**

**2011 K.C. State Basketball
Tournament Date Change
to March 12-13**

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Intake

We have drastically changed the State Membership program this year in an effort to encourage more participation by more councils. Today, we have 167 councils not having recruited one new brother. Last year at this time it was 201. The new program is working. We are #4 in the entire order in the hunt for Circle of Honor, we are leading our division in the world series of KC Baseball, and our numbers are averaging approximately 20 more new Knights a month. The following is the all new and exciting membership award program for the state. Note well that the STAR council award for Supreme has not changed. It is a net based figure on membership and on insurance.

Please continue to do all you can do in the area of retention. Please clean up your rosters. Remove those brothers who have gone to council eternal. Follow procedure for those brothers who have failed to "keep their dues current" as outlined in our first degree. Do right things right. Get involved with the recruiting process, host first degrees often, welcome the State Family to any and all functions, display our emblem via promotional items, order a license plate, let the world know that "YOU ARE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS"

The new program awards is as follows:

State Deputy Membership Awards Program 2010-2011

Top Gun

Total Outstanding Performance Getting Us New-Brothers

INTAKE

Three (3) Equal Winners..Three (3) Classes of Councils Determined by Number of Members in Council

Awards Given @ KCLS 2011

Program Is Simple.

- 1. Intake Only. No Net Figure.**
- 2. Must Attain Minimum of Quota Established by Supreme.**
- 3. Highest Number of Brothers Initiated Over Quota.**
- 4. Tie Goes to Council with Most New Brothers Becoming 3rd Degree**

INTAKE
 "INTAKE ONLY"

Rewards....Five (5) Top Gun Logo Shirts to District Deputy & Council Winners & Ladies

Brothers, this is a totally different approach to past programs. Our Membership INTAKE has been good but has been somewhat stalled. Secure form 100's from Supreme. Give some to your spouse and ask her to talk about the Knights of Columbus to her friends. Insure that all 18 year old, Catholic, men are asked to join. Hold Blitzs. Spaghetti Dinners, Socials, Fairs....use your imagination. Any opportunity that presents itself should be used as an opportunity to RECRUIT. Need some help, contact the State Office, and tell us what you need. If you have any questions about this program you can always contact me, Paul Gagnet, State Membership Director.

INTAKE
 "INTAKE ONLY"

Brothers, Retention is still a most important aspect of Membership. Do whatever you have to not to loose a single Brother Knight. Star Council Award. Nothing has changed. "NET FIGURES" required to attain "Star Council".

Membership

Membership Statistics from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011

Co#	Location	Quota	NET	Co#	Location	Quota	NET
0714	New Orleans	3	0	3068	New Orleans	7	4
0969	Baton Rouge	8	-8	3088	Hessmer	4	0
0970	Plaquemine	19	0	3091	Westwego	9	2
1087	Donaldsonville	12	1	3150	Cut Off	15	3
1099	Napoleonville	19	1	3200	Alexandria	6	1
1108	Shreveport	7	-17	3202	Lafayette	10	2
1114	Thibodaux	29	1	3208	Lake Charles	9	2
1134	Alexandria	10	6	3246	New Orleans	8	2
1173	Opelousas	4	0	3298	Baton Rouge	9	-17
1199	Cottonport	4	0	3331	Baton Rouge	7	0
1208	New Iberia	6	2	3353	Oberlin	5	0
1217	Marksville	11	3	3356	Cecilia	3	2
1276	St. Martinville	8	2	3399	Krotz Springs	3	0
1286	Lafayette	7	0	3407	Shreveport	12	5
1317	Houma	12	1	3409	Opelousas	8	0
1337	Monroe	8	7	3411	New Orleans	5	-1
1357	Natchitoches	15	5	3425	New Iberia	8	8
1373	Morgan City	6	3	3465	Metairie	3	0
1420	Franklin	5	2	3470	Lafayette	6	0
1425	Jeanerette	5	0	3475	Elton	3	-1
1437	New Orleans	17	-7	3496	Port Barre	8	0
1514	Vacherie	15	2	3528	Kenner	7	0
1710	Patterson	13	-11	3534	Oakdale	4	0
1724	Algiers	7	0	3621	Arnaudville	6	0
1745	Eunice	5	2	3622	Moss Bluff	10	0
1754	Ville Platte	6	-2	3634	Norco	16	3
1817	Gramercy	16	7	3642	West Monroe	8	0
1819	Bogalusa	8	0	3662	Basile	3	0
1897	Rayne	6	0	3729	New Orleans	18	1
1905	Gretna	16	7	3743	Baton Rouge	7	6
1988	Washington	3	0	3779	Shreveport	13	5
1998	New Roads	4	1	3796	St Gabriel	7	0
2012	Jennings	11	6	3854	Harahan	8	3
2142	Plaucheville	4	0	3857	DeRidder	9	-8
2150	Morganza	5	0	3870	Duson	3	0
2281	Abbeville	17	-57	3872	Erath	13	4
2395	Bunkie	7	-1	3923	Jefferson	4	0
2398	Breaux Bridge	10	2	4010	Mansura	9	-2
2409	Luling	16	2	4023	Leonville	7	0
2432	Mansfield	3	0	4030	Baton Rouge	19	10
2436	Reserve	9	0	4085	Baker	7	1
2504	Church Point	8	1	4088	Minden	3	0
2657	Prairieville	17	0	4156	Leesville	11	0
2675	Mamou	4	2	4222	Marrero	9	0
2732	Slidell	13	7	4309	Centerville	9	0
2807	Baton Rouge	15	-5	4346	White Castle	5	0
2855	Welsh	10	0	4508	Metairie	5	-17
2875	Port Allen	9	0	4547	New Orleans	3	2
2878	Metairie	10	5	4562	Lake Charles	20	-41
2893	Kinder	6	2	4663	Metairie	8	5
2913	Kaplan	9	-2	4676	Loreauville	5	0
2925	New Orleans	6	0	4683	Lafayette	6	1
2952	Hammond	25	-10	4761	Raceland	8	1
2972	Moreauville	4	0	4787	Hathaway	7	0
2982	Iota	3	0	4791	Estherwood	11	4
3006	Iowa	8	0	4818	Zwolle	3	1
3012	Lake Arthur	8	4	4873	Bossier City	19	-2
3014	Creole	8	0	4874	Ponchatoula	12	1
3015	Sulphur	12	-9	4906	Evangeline	4	0
3048	Bell City	10	0	4927	Parks	5	0
3054	Lockport	13	6	5013	Chauvin	18	0
3055	Gueydan	10	0	5022	Lake Charles	7	1
3061	Covington	8	0	5048	Pine Prairie	5	0

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5084	Chataignier	3	0	8703	Port Sulphur	4	-1	10745	Cankton	5	0
5111	New Iberia	9	-5	8743	Chackbay	8	3	10800	Kraemer	6	3
5166	Delcambre	7	2	8770	Maurice	7	0	10824	Ruston	3	0
5301	Metairie	3	1	8779	Theriot	14	4	10902	Lydia	3	-2
5345	Lafayette	3	0	8805	DeQuincy	3	1	10911	Amite	4	1
5352	Pierre Part	6	1	8840	Mathews	12	-8	10912	Hammond	3	0
5461	Cameron	3	0	8843	Leroy	5	-6	11060	Tickfaw	3	0
5499	Crowley	15	1	8861	Shreveport	4	0	11061	Labadieville	7	3
5530	Baton Rouge	9	-7	8878	Lakeland	7	3	11096	Coteau Holmes	3	0
5532	Lawtell	8	0	8898	Larose	13	3	11212	Cow Island	3	0
5627	Independence	8	0	8901	Lafayette	11	2	11270	Opelousas	7	0
5747	Chalmette	19	1	8906	Thibodaux	5	3	11407	Grand Lake	3	0
5755	Westlake	8	5	8932	Bourg	8	-5	11491	Mowata	4	0
5935	Laplace	14	-13	8971	Thibodaux	3	0	11576	Hackberry	3	0
6057	Youngsville	13	-2	8978	North Sulphur	11	0	11792	New Iberia	4	1
6103	Vinton	9	-7	9000	Golden Meadow	11	-3	11814	Pearl River	4	1
6170	Houma	9	1	9007	Metairie	5	0	11857	Vacherie	8	4
6211	Bayou Vista	5	1	9016	Baton Rouge	8	4	12060	Thibodaux	5	2
6324	Monroe	3	0	9085	Barksdale AFB	4	2	12061	Many	3	1
6326	Denham Springs	21	5	9107	New Orleans	8	0	12068	Grosse Tete	3	0
6357	Belle Chasse	14	6	9110	Jennings	3	0	12072	Mandeville	13	13
6369	Avondale	3	0	9217	Belle Deau	3	1	12103	Lecompte	4	0
6389	St Amant	9	2	9219	Bayou Pigeon	3	0	12115	New Orleans	4	0
6496	Abbeville	3	0	9240	Mandeville	17	5	12163	Milton	6	1
6531	Baton Rouge	7	0	9247	Baton Rouge	8	0	12179	Morgan City	5	-2
6746	Kenner	6	1	9260	Shreveport	5	0	12209	Bordelonville	3	0
6753	French Settlement	4	-2	9281	Lacassine	5	2	12245	Franklinton	5	0
6870	Terrytown	7	2	9294	Echo	4	0	12285	Schriever	6	3
6873	Baldwin	7	0	9338	Houma	6	1	12529	Abita Springs	10	0
6958	Carencro	6	3	9347	Metairie	7	0	12686	Metairie	5	2
6959	Egan	7	0	9384	Marrero	3	1	12906	Covington	7	3
7033	Ragley	3	1	9415	New Orleans	6	0	12989	Lacombe	7	1
7050	Rynella	6	0	9418	Fifth Ward	5	0	12997	New Iberia	7	14
7084	Berwick	3	0	9436	Richard	4	0	13145	Baton Rouge	3	-13
7226	Marrero	6	1	9623	Laplace	6	1	13192	Natchitoches	3	0
7275	Lafayette	11	5	9692	Baton Rouge	13	7	13296	Kolin	5	-5
7350	Barataria	11	2	9753	Tioga	6	0	13349	Waggaman	3	0
7355	Houma	13	0	9769	Slidell	4	2	13397	Thibodaux	6	4
7411	Mire	8	11	9912	Grand Prairie	3	0	13411	Thibodaux	3	0
7557	Broussard	23	3	9933	Luling	8	0	13425	River Ridge	6	-16
7568	Scott	7	1	9935	Duralde	4	0	13505	Alexandria	4	-1
7657	Bayou Blue	6	3	9973	Slidell	15	3	13632	Baton Rouge	5	1
7722	Dulac	12	-3	10045	Winnfield	3	0	13819	Houma	5	1
7856	St Francisville	8	4	10057	Harvey	3	0	13931	Lake Charles	6	2
8029	Alexandria	8	-7	10080	Zachary	4	0	14542	Lafayette	4	1
8030	Livonia	4	0	10176	Folsom	6	0	14614	Covington	4	12
8031	Swartz	3	0	10178	Albany	6	2	14657	Pineville	3	0
8032	Oak Grove	3	0	10185	Catahoula	5	4	14822	Kenner	8	-6
8058	Carlyss	11	1	10269	Fenton	3	0	15006	Lake Charles	5	5
8147	Gonzales	9	-1	10293	Lafayette	14	1	15064	Baton Rouge	3	6
8322	Maplewood	8	0	10349	Henderson	5	3	15133	Madisonville	3	34
8323	Johnson Bayou	3	0	10428	Eunice	4	2				
8324	Grand Chenier	4	0	10455	Baton Rouge	11	0				
8342	Prairieville	16	2	10564	Simmesport	3	-8				
8371	Amelia	5	-12	10606	Belle Rose	4	0				
8438	Campiti	3	-23	10612	Houma	8	2				
8442	Braithwaite	3	-1	10613	Baton Rouge	4	1				
8546	Metairie	6	5	10645	Lacombe	4	4				
8583	Morse	3	0	10717	Mermentau	3	0				
8601	Baton Rouge	10	2	10721	Judice	6	5				
8615	Gretna	9	4	10728	Shreveport	4	0				
8616	Pointe Aux Chenes	6	0	10744	Brusly	7	-3				

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