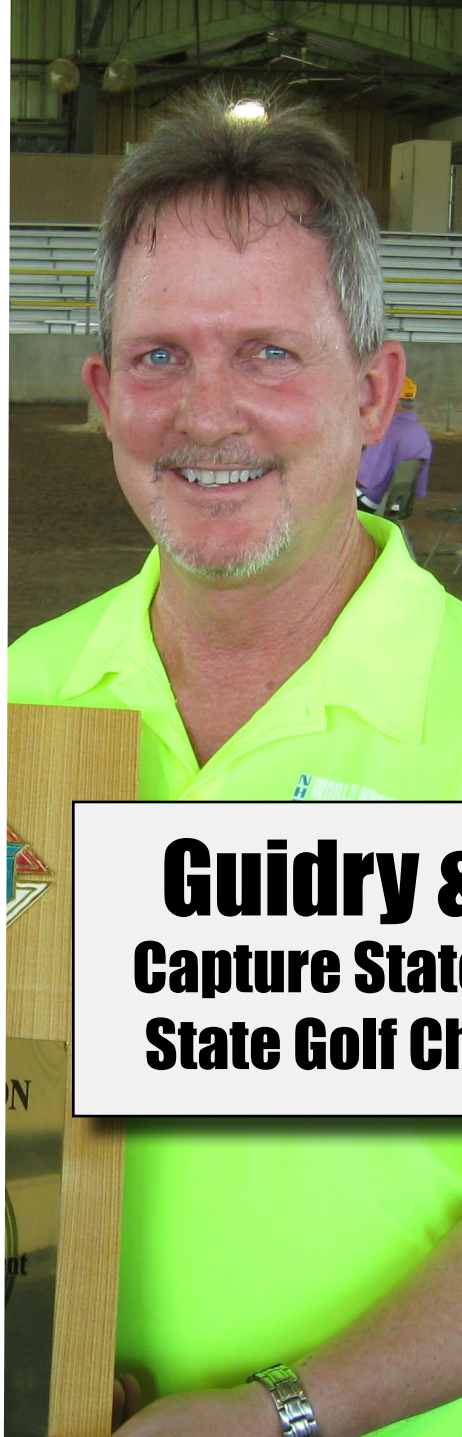


# Louisiana Knight

## Calendar

- October 1-30 Respect Life Month
- October 1 **Deadline-Payment STATE PER CAPITA**
- October 2-4 ANNUAL MDF CAMPAIGN
- October 10 **Deadline-Payment SUPREME PER CAPITA**
- October 11 MAJOR DEGREE, Council 3407/3779, Shreveport
- October 11 **Deadline-Conduct District Soccer Challenge**
- October 12 Columbus Day Observed
- October 15 **Deadline-FAMILY OF THE MONTH**
- October 17 MAJOR DEGREE, Council 1114, Thibodaux
- October 17 MAJOR DEGREE, Council 3857, Lake Charles
- Oct 18 - Nov 15 Silver Rose Program
- October 24 MAJOR DEGREE, Council 9415, New Orleans
- October 25 **Deadline - Conduct Diocesan Soccer Challenge**
- November 1 Feast of All Saints Day
- November 1 CYLA Information Mailed to Grand Knights
- November 1 **Deadline - Order Free Throw Kits, Form #FT-Kit**
- November 1 **Deadline - Order Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Kit**
- November 2 Feast of All Souls Day
- November 3 National Election Day
- November 11 Veterans Day
- November 14 STATE NINE BALL TOURNAMENT-Lafayette
- November 15 STATE SOCCER CHALLENGE- Lafayette
- November 15 **Deadline-FAMILY OF THE MONTH**
- November 15 **Deadline-Diocesan Cook Off**
- November 26 Thanksgiving
- December 1 **Deadline-Submit CYLA Chairman to State Chair**
- Dec 4-6 State Family Meeting, Houma
- December 15 **Deadline-Family of the Month**
- December 15 **Deadline-Submit Council Soccer Participation Form**
- December 25 CHRISTMAS
- December 31 **Deadline-Keep Christ in Christmas Poster to DA**
- January 1 New Years Day
- January 9 Squires State Retreat/Pro Life March, Broussard
- January 15 State Per Capita Mailed to Financial Secretary
- January 15 **Deadline-Family of the Month**
- January 15 **Deadline-Form 5023-Keep Christ in Christmas**
- January 30 GRAND KNIGHTS DAY, Lafayette
- January 30 State Gumbo Cook-Off, Lafayette
- January 31 **Deadline-Conduct Council Free Throw Contest**
- January 31 **Deadline-CYLA Applicants forms to Sponsor Council**
- January 31 **Deadline-Fraternal Activity Survey, Form 1728**
- January 31 **Deadline-Council Submit Free Throw Participation**
- January 31 **Deadline-Council Submit Poster Participation**
- January 31 **Deadline-Council Submit Essay Participation**
- January 31 **Deadline-Council Special Olympics Profile**
- January 31 **Deadline-Council Christmas Poster Participation**
- January 31 **Deadline-Council Substance Abuse Winners to DA**
- January 31 **Deadline-Council Essay Winners to DA**



**Guidry & Barbier  
Capture State Horseshoe &  
State Golf Championships**



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What a great start to the fraternal year we have had in Louisiana this year. We have started off strong as a state and we will continue to remain 'stronger together.'

A few months ago, we got off to a great start at KCLS where we presented the leadership of the Councils with valuable information regarding membership and our upcoming programs this year. Thanks to all that took the time to attend and received this needed information about how to be successful in both of these aspects this year. If you weren't able to attend this year or in recent years, I hope you attend the next one to see how things have changed from past KCLS's.

In August, I, along with the delegates for the state, all the State Officers, and numerous other brother Knights and their wives attended the Supreme Convention which was held in Philadelphia. As it has been for as long as I can remember, the Louisiana hospitality room was the most popular one with attendees from across the world lined up down the hallway waiting to come experience what we had to offer. Attending a Supreme Convention is quite an experience and I encourage all to attend one in the future. Just ask anyone that has attended one in the past about their experience and I'm sure they will tell you it is a great time.

This year, we are off to an outstanding start regarding membership. At this time, we are number one in our division and number nine in the world regarding membership intake. This is due to everyone's hard work throughout the state. Each of you should understand that we all have a responsibility to recruit new members and to ensure that each and every practical Catholic male has the opportunity to experience this great organization. After recruiting, we need to ensure this new prospect makes it to a First degree as soon as possible and then a Second and Third degree. These degrees schedules can be found on our state website.

Like membership, our state programs

have started off strong this year. Our Horse-shoe Tournament brought in participants from all across the state for a day of fun and friendly competition. Our Golf Tournament was held the weekend of September 25 to 27 and was an outstanding fraternal event. The Softball and Nine Ball Tournaments are just around the corner as well. Thanks to all who participate in these fun events.

I hope that every Council throughout the state has been successfully selling their Seminary Mission Fund raffle tickets. This is an important program, and I hate to say, has been in decline for the last decade or so. We must work to reverse that decline as Brother Knights! We should all be dedicated to supporting all of our seminarians and this is a great way to do it. If your council has sold all of their tickets and needs more, please contact Delmas Forbes.

We are entering the Mental Disability Fund (MDF) season and I wish each Council participating success in their fundraising efforts. In addition to the groups that each council supports, I encourage each to consider contributing part of their funds raised to St. Mary's Residential Training Center if they are not doing it at this time. A large number of Councils contribute to St. Mary's and I hope that increases even more this year.

YEP is another area that we must pay attention. These funds are critical so that we can continue your state youth programs. This year, as in last, we had to cut the budget for a number of these programs due to the funds received last year being less than what was expected. If your council have not contributed recently or have contributed less than your quota, please strongly consider contributing quota this year and making YEP part of your annual budget. If you have any questions about the program, please contact the YEP Chairman, Joel Ocmund.

My state motto, Stronger Together, remains a call to action and not just a phrase. Over the last fraternal year, all aspects of our organization (Third Degree, Fourth Degree, Columbian Squires, Insurance Agencies, and the Ladies Auxiliary) have worked together and we are indeed stronger for that. As we continue to strengthen our ranks and efforts, there is no way that we will fail!

I also wish to encourage each council to shoot for the Star Council Award this year. Please review what is needed to achieve this and put into action a plan to achieve this distinction. We had more councils reach that lofty goal last year than I can remember ever happening. Let's do even better this year.

In closing, I would like to thank each of you for what you do for this order. Remember that I, the State Officers, your District Deputy, and the other various members of the State Family are here for you. We are here to help you succeed. Never hesitate to contact any one of us.



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The month of October will remain memorable for several reasons, including the historic visit to the United States by Pope Francis. Unfortunately, I was unable to be present due to health concerns. I felt I would be taking on more than what would be wise and, therefore, chose not to make the trip. Another major event is the beginning of the Synod on Families in Rome. Fittingly it follows upon the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia. Given the recent decision by the Supreme Court, both family events presented our Catholic understanding in clear and powerful impact.

As you know, October has been the month of the rosary for many years. This offers a marvelous occasion for our Councils to schedule opportunities, not only for members of our Order but perhaps as a service to your parish community. Many Councils already have this on their calendars. Thanks and keep up the great work.

This month also focuses on Respect Life. We continue to be challenged by our culture of death that consistently attacks our belief that all human life is sacred. Thanks for all you do to promote the defense of life.

Each year one Sunday is set aside as Catechetical Sunday, recognizing the many people who witness their faith for people of all ages. Another true labor of faith, hope and love.

Finally, we begin our planning in preparation for the Jubilee Year of Mercy, which begins during Advent. Just another great time for Councils to work with parish leadership in promoting ways to manifest this marvelous time to encourage all to take advantage of the many ways God's mercy is present to us.

May the Fall months provide many occasions of faith in action throughout our Order statewide.

Vivat Jesus!



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With the start of the new Columbian Year and the start of the new school year it is time to kick the youth programs in gear. The Knights of Columbus youth programs and school programs go hand and hand. At the local council level all the way up to Supreme our youth programs are second to none. Again this year, we will support many programs at the State Level.

A donation to the YEP enables our future to look brighter. Everyone of the following programs helps us in our journey as Knights of Columbus to obtain the vision that we carry forth as Knights of Columbus members. The vision of charity, fraternalism, patriotism, unity. By aiding the youth of our state we set forth the next generation of Catholic men and women making this world a better place.

\*Support of our youth program the Columbian Squires.

\*Scholarships for outstanding Boy and Girl Seniors through our CYLA program.

\*Participation in the Order wide Free Throw Contest

\*Support of our college students through donations to the

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**Plan. Promote. Participate.**

**YEP**

\$150,000

\$125,000

\$100,000

\$75,000

\$50,000

\$25,000

**FINAL  
 LAST YEAR**

**\$107,341**



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Church – The Celebration of the Mass  
 (continuation from previous issue)

The Catholic Mass is filled with rituals and items which even many Catholics forget along the way. But the true beauty of the Mass is seen when you break it down into its components and explain each of the steps in a way that others might understand more clearly.

In the previous issue of the Louisiana Knight, I attempted to explain only the “basic” structure of the Catholic Mass so that others might have a better understanding of what it is, what it does and how it is essential to Christian growth. The Mass is broken down into three Main parts. The Opening Rites, the Liturgy of the Word, and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In this issue I will give more details of these three Main parts.

The whole Opening Rite is designed to bring people into a state of prayer and humility centering on Christ’s grace given freely for our salvation and our reconciliation as sinners. “Christ died so we might live”.

Upon entering the sanctuary we dip our fingers in the font containing Holy Water which is to first remind us of our baptism and secondly to show reverence for the house of the Lord and to bring us into a sense of worship.

We begin with a hymn or psalm as the ministers and Priest enters, they approach the altar and kiss it in reverence of the sacrifice Christ paid for our salvation. The entire procession is a means of focusing and calling the people to prayer.

The presider leads the people in the sign of the cross.

The greeting follows as the presider proclaims the Lord’s presence in the community. The people respond, acknowledging the presence of Christ that created the com-

munity. This also includes our confession of sin.

The Gloria: A hymn of praise is generally said.

The opening prayer: concludes the Introductory Rites. This entire Rite has been a call to prayer and silence is then given for you to pray to the Lord followed by the celebrant gathering up the prayers in a summation, bring it to the Lord.

In the liturgy of the Word Christians come together to thank God for God’s gifts. Listening to God’s word (the Bible) they grow in faith more conformed to the mind of Christ. Liturgy celebrates the wonders of creation and gives thanks for the reality of redemption. The liturgy is a celebration not of what God has said, but of God today speaking to our hearts and souls.

The First Reading: - The Hebrew Scriptures: The first reading is mostly chosen from the Old Testament and during some seasons the Book of Acts might be read. This reading usually harmonizes with the Gospel reading. This reveals the continuity between Israel and Jesus who comes not to replace but to fulfill Israel.

The Responsorial Psalm: The Psalm reflects themes in the readings. The Psalms consists of an antiphon. This is a vehicle of prayer and praise – an atmosphere of prayer within which the reading occur.

The Second Reading – The Christian Scriptures: This reading is also referred to as the Epistle, is usually from one of the letters in the New Testament which may also include the Book of Acts or the Book of Revelations.

The Gospel – “Alleluia” is a Latin echo of the Hebrew acclamation “Praise God!” and is a key word in Christian worship. Here it heralds the Gospel. Christians acclaim the most wonderful deed of God among humankind, Jesus Christ, here made visible in the book containing His words and message to us all.

The Gospel Reading: The Gospel is the climax of the liturgy of the word. Catholic faith teaches that in proclaiming the Gospel, Christ is truly present to the community. For this reason the community stands to witness to Christ’s resurrection which allows him to be present to his people.

The Homily (or mini-sermon): Christians believe that “faith comes through preaching.” (Romans 3:13-15). This idea is rooted in Jewish belief that the creative power of God’s word transforms human Life. The Scriptures are not always easy



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Autumn is upon us and cooler weather will make it easier to do outdoor activities. Community activities can be Food Drives, Coat Drives, Habitat for Humanity, donate blankets to homeless shelters, and various activities to help the needy and homeless. Take time at your council’s planning meeting to schedule your outdoor community activities. Now is the time to plant trees, plan a “Night Out Against Crime”, have a “Living Rosary”, clean-up on the highways, parks, and beaches. It is time to plan your council’s drive to help the mentally challenged. Knights need to work with the elderly. Help them paint, fix their homes, help with lawn care, build handicap ramps, and various needs of the elderly. Remember to wear your KC badge, shirts, hats, pins, and aprons when working in the community. May God Bless You and your Council when you help those that need help in your community.

Vivat Jesus,



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October is Respect Life Month! We hope each council in the state is planning at least one pro-life activity during this special month. If you are unsure what your council can do, then we can help. Brandon Hendricks, the state Webmaster, has enabled us to put helpful resources on the state web site. Please go to the Culture of Life web page: <http://www.louisianakc.org/programs/cultureoflife/>. On that web page, you will find our two previous KCLS presentations in pdf format. The first presentation provides an overview of the Culture of Life issues. You are welcome to use the content to make your own presentation to your council. The second presentation provides specific guidance to enable all councils to get 100 points in Culture of Life.

We are also publishing a month-



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**October 24**  
**Pelican Park, Carencro**

ly Culture of Life newsletter. These newsletters provide timely information that you can use to develop your council Culture of Life program. In addition, you will see stories from individual councils showing what they are doing to build a Culture of Life. Brandon has also provided links to the previous newsletters on the web page. Of course, we want to send these newsletters to as many people as possible by email. The first way to get on our mailing list is to name a Culture of Life chair couple or director for your council and send us their contact information, including email address. However, every knight is welcome to join our email distribution list for the newsletter. Just send us your email address.

The fall 40 Days for Life campaign has begun! This is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to commit ourselves in a special way to prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. We have participated in 40 Days for Life in Baton Rouge for the last three years, and it has had a profound impact on us. We are particularly impressed with local 40 Days for Life leaders, people like Charlotte Bergeron, Allen Kliebert, and Chris Davis, to just name a few. We have learned so much from profilers about being present to those in need, to go to the peripheries as Pope Francis has said. People sometimes use the word 'hero' carelessly. Every day, sidewalk counselors are making heroic sacrifices to reach out to save desperate mothers and their unborn children. They are compassionate in the true sense of the word: to suffer with another human being. They are our heroes!

May God bless you and your family.

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Catholic Youth Centers.

\*State awards for the Soccer Challenge

\*Sponsoring of evangelization programs in each Dioceses

\*Diocesan Scouting Awards in each of the 7 dioceses of our state

\*Religious retreats for our Squires and youth of our state.

Grand Knights have received a copy of their quota in the mail along with a letter asking for your council's participation. Let's start out this year's YEP fundraising campaign with a bang. Why not be one of the 1<sup>st</sup> Council's in Louisiana to donate to the YEP program.

Don't forget in order to achieve points to the State Deputies award you need to have a speaker on the YEP program at your council meetings. Contact your District Deputy, Diocesan Administrator, State YEP Chairman or State Officers to assist in your meeting plans.

VIVAT JESUS



**Plan.**  
**Promote.**  
**Participate.**

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to understand and apply to present life. For this reason the homily breaks open the Scriptures, showing how the word of God addresses us today.

The Profession of Faith: (the Creed): The Creed is a written profession summarizing the community's search for an ever deepening understanding of Jesus and His message.

General Intercessions (Prayer of the Faithful): The people petition God for the needs of the Church, society, the parish, people in need, the sick and suffering, and those who have died. They direct our faith which has been deepened through prayer and listening to God's word to specific situations today. These prayers conclude the Liturgy of the Word.

While the liturgy of the word focused upon the table of the Lord's word-the lectern, The Eucharistic liturgy centers upon the altar-both a place of sacrifice as well as the table from which as Christians we are fed. The themes of sacrifice, thanksgiving and meal dominate.

The Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts – The gifts of bread and wine are placed at the back of the church before the service. The people then join in the giving their monetary offerings in support of their community and it's various ministries. This collection is a real expression of support for your local community church. After this in procession, people bring bread and wine forward with the people's offerings. The priest receives them in the community's name. "The rite of carrying up the gifts connects us with the traditions of early Church where people brought up bread and wine which they worked to make for the celebration of the Lord's Supper. When he has received the gifts the priest prepares them, reciting prayers patterned on the ancient Jewish Kiddish of the Passover Meal: 'Blessed art thou, O Lord our God, Creator of the fruit of the earth. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof'. The priest then adds a drop of water to the wine – a tradition from the 1<sup>st</sup> Church who considered it symbolic of the union of Christ's humanity and divinity, or of Christ with his Church. The priest then washes his hands as did the Jewish leaders before the ritual meal. This action has also taken on symbolic significance. The priest prays, "Lord wash away my iniquity, cleanse me from my sins." The presider invites the people to prayer: they respond. The rite concludes with a short prayer over the gifts.

Eucharistic Prayer: Now at the very heart of the Eucharist, this prayer in some

aspect antedates Christianity itself. Its model is derived from the Jewish Berakah or blessing prayer. Berakah prayer generally praises and blesses God for all the wonderful gifts of creation. The celebrant gives thanks to God in imagery appropriate to the day or season and the "Holy, Holy, Holy" is sung or recited by the community. Now in a longer prayer of thanksgiving, the priest on behalf of all gives thanks to God for Christ. He ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine transforming them into Christ's body and blood. This invocation is known as the epiclesis. Remembrance of the saving acts of Jesus follows. This section is known as the anamnesis. Remembrance is a much stronger action in Jesus' day than in our culture. To remember something meant to enter into it and bring its power into the present. Thus in remembering, Jesus' sacrifice becomes present and can be entered into just as the first disciples did. The Church in celebrating the Eucharist is fulfilling Jesus' command to keep His memorial. It does this by recalling especially his passion, resurrection and ascension. In this memorial, the church joins in Christ's self-offering to the Father in the Holy Spirit. It calls the faithful not only to offer the spotless victim but also to learn to offer themselves. In doing so they are drawn into ever more perfect union, through Christ the Mediator, with the Father and with each other, so that at last God may be all in all. The priest then again invokes the Holy Spirit to bless the church and to unite all Christians and again to bless the gifts. The intercessions make it clear that the Eucharist is celebrated in communion with the entire church in heaven and on earth. The offering is made for the church in all its members, living and dead, who are called to share in salvation. We remember the saints as well as our brothers and sisters who have died and our friends in need. The great prayer concludes with the doxology. The people confirm this entire prayer with a final "Amen."

Communion Rite: Communion expresses unity in the body of Christ. Through communion Christians are united with God in Christ and through Christ with one another in unity. The Lord's Prayer opens this rite in the words and according to the model of Jesus. After the prayer the priest's short prayer continues its spirit and followed up with another doxology. The sign of peace goes back to the earliest Christians and is a result of God's reconciliation which begins among Christians and then flows into the



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Plan, Promote and Participate is exactly what we need to do!

First, Councils will need to PLAN their calendar of events for the year.

Second, the Council MUST promote the upcoming event among their members.

And Third, Councils will need to participate in the local, district, area or state function.

Council Activities will be my main area to PPP, so please consider the following items for your Council's consideration.

- PLAN.
- PROMOTE.
- PARTICIPATE.

P.P.P. the rescheduled State Softball Tournament, Saturday, October 24 and the State Nine Ball Tournament, November 14.



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world at large. The breaking of the bread is the third great action of the Eucharist. To the early Christians, sharing in one loaf was a symbol of unity, solidarity and family; sliced bread, crackers or individual hosts (special wafers) lose this significance. During this action the people sing a litany acknowledging Jesus as the Lamb of God pointed to by John the Baptist and that the bread we share is indeed that same Christ. Now the priest holds up the host and cup, inviting the community to come forward and receive. The community responds with the words of the Roman centurion to Jesus (Matthew 8:8). Then the journey toward the altar to receive communion; this procession reflects the journey we all have towards God. And made with friends in the community it is one more sign of unity flowing from the Eucharist. A Psalm is also generally sung by the choir and community as this journey forward continues. After receiving Communion all return to their

seats and spend the time in prayer. The priest then draws the prayers together in the Prayer after Communion.

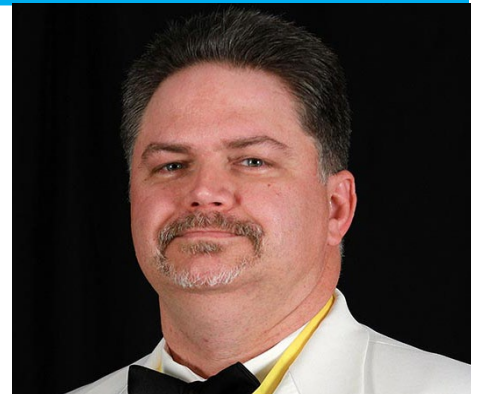
**Concluding Rites:** These rites now focus upon the sending forth of the community. No sacrament exists as an end in itself. Christians are transformed and nourished in the sacrament to in turn become sacraments to the world. The priest gives a final blessing. As at the beginning all trace the sign of the cross. The dismissal sends us forth to in turn become the bread of the cross. The word "Mass" comes from the ancient Latin dismissal, "Ite, missa est." (Go, it is sent).

2015 – 2016 Marion Hour of Prayer

The Knights of Columbus has sponsored Marion Hour of Prayer programs since 1979. As part of this program the Order distributes icons depicting the Blessed Virgin Mary under her various titles. This year the icon will be of The Holy Family. The icon travels on a year-long journey from council to council in each of the Order's jurisdictions. These Marian icons serve as the focal point for prayer services held at council meetings, council socials, churches or other locations.

Three icons of The Holy Family were distributed to the State Deputy Vernon Ducote after the Supreme Convention in Philadelphia in August. The Diocesan Administrators will receive the first three icons from the State Deputy and the Diocesan Administrators will coordinate with the District Deputies and pass on to the other State Diocesan Administrators as follows:

New Orleans – Stephen Hart, 13 Districts; Houma/Thibodaux – Keith J. Gros, 7 Districts; Baton Rouge – Eric Miller, 10 Districts; Lafayette – Richard Yandle, 14 Districts; Lake Charles – Donald Cubbage, 6 Districts; Alexandria – Donald Hebert, 6 Districts; and Shreveport – Mike Rose, 6 Districts.



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We are in full swing with our State events as we approach State Softball Tournament October 24-25 and State 9 Ball Tournament November 14 are fast approaching. Please share these with your Councils so they can participate. We look forward to seeing you at these events. Please register before the deadline to help make these events go smoothly.

All Councils should be focused on recruiting new members into their Councils to make them the best they can be with fresh ideas and volunteers to help with programs with their Church, Community, and Council. We must focus on getting our members involved in each of our programs. This is a lifeline for keeping members active and involved in our Councils. Keep track of these activities and you will be surprised on how busy you have been. A combination of this and a few forms, form 365, form 1728, and Columbian Award SP-7 and you can be on your way to Star Council.

Star Council Awards are on an increase in the last few years. Several Councils were a couple members or insurance members short of obtaining Star Council. Our goal is 43, but

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**RESCHEDULED**



**67th Annual State Softball**  
**October 24**  
**Pelican Park, Carencro**



**10th Annual State Nine Ball**  
**November 14**  
**Fast Eddie's Billards,**  
**Lafayette**



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we are shooting to achieve 60 Star Councils this year. Your District Deputies and Field Agents are here to help you. Each Program Chairman and State Program Director is here to help any way we can. It all starts with you doing these easy programs that the State Council provides you with. The simplest programs are worthy of recognition by your Council. Use these to elevate you to the next level. One example is the Carencro Council recruited the most members in the state last year. They also obtained Triple Star Council by being an active Council with their programs. This is one of many Councils that are doing a lot more and being recognized for it.

We will have reminders and ideas of what your Councils can participate in and get more activities in your Councils. The smallest program can be meaningful and rewarding. Use your Pastor and Clergy members to give you help in getting your Church, Community, and Council. Each Program Director in your Council should give a report of events and activities at each meeting and track these events. This will help you fill out those much needed forms. These forms help Supreme and our Councils keep their Fraternal Organization Status and not pay taxes on money raised.

I am also the State Family Director, please fill out the Family of the Month forms with Supreme. Families are randomly selected and sent statues of the Holy Family. This can't happen unless you fill out the forms and send it in. This is a great way to recruit new members by publishing this in your Church Bulletin

and Council Newsletter. People love recognition and thrive on being more active when motivated. This also goes along way as you fill out State Family of the Year. We are fortunate to have this year's Supreme 5<sup>th</sup> Place International Family of the Year winner, Darryl Barrios Family, from Houma, LA. If his Council did not turn this in, they would have never been chosen for this prestigious award. Send in those forms and let's see who is next.

Please start going to the KC State Website as we will start having reminders about upcoming events, ideas for programs, and reminders about forms that are due. We need you to share this across the state with all our Councils and members. We need your help in having a better attendance at state events and programs. We can't change the world we live in by sitting at home and hoping people just show up. We have to be pro-active and promote and participate. We are the right hand of the Catholic Church. Let us stand united and prove to the world, that we are true believers in our faith!



**ALL SAINTS' DAY**



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Salutations from the State Squire's Circle! Our State Bowling Tournament was held Saturday October 3, 2015 in Baton Rouge. Several circles are in development and we have several prospective circles on the horizon. We are in the process of regionalizing our programming as a way of increasing participation in areas around the state and with state events and to gain new members. I want to thank our worthy State Deputy and the State Officers for their support of and commitment to this program. Many thanks as well to the Squires State Committeemen and to the Squires State Officers. I could not do this without them.

John F. Kennedy once said that "change is the law of life" and that those who look only to the past or present are destined to miss the future". Change is always hard but it is necessary for progress.

Brothers, our Squires youth program is at a crossroads. Just as the Knights vie for participation from its members in the midst of a hectic and crowded life, our Squires Program is in competition with other organizations and activities in the busy lives of children. We MUST put measures into place that retain and engage current members and that will attract new members. I believe an expansion of

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programming, fundraising efforts and scholarship offerings is the way to move this program forward, retain members, and attract new members. WE NEED YOUR HELP, BROTHERS! Retention and expansion of membership in the Squires ensures new members for the Knights. We need you to really go out and RECRUIT the entire family; there is something for everyone in our order. We NEED you to go to your councils and assemblies and seriously discuss how you can start or reactivate circles. The bible says:

“Teach them [children] the decrees and laws, and show them the way to live and the duties they are to perform.” - Exodus 18:20

This is part of what we are charged to do as Knights of Columbus. Our dedication to the promotion and preservation of life is demonstrated through our efforts in the Pro Life arena, but it must not end there. Statistically, children ages 9-17 are at most risk of falling into the traps of this life. We must intervene in the lives of youth to curtail this and there is no better resource at our disposal than the Squires Program. The program helps to strengthen their faith, teach leadership and accountability helping them to become forthright Catholic men! We have the opportunity and the obligation to strengthen our order’s future because our Faith, Freedom, and Fraternity depends on it.

OUR SQUIRES PROGRAM IS DEPENDING ON YOU! Please email me ([kerry.williams@lasquires.org](mailto:kerry.williams@lasquires.org)) with your comments, suggestions, and inquiries on how to open or reactivate a circle.

Esto Dignus!.



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The new year for Squires, school, and activities is now in full swing! CSLS this year was a success! We learned about the website, state points, and talked about our roles in our circles. We installed four local circle officers who are well suited for their jobs. It was also wonderful to hear feedback about a state event. It is important for us to hear what Squires liked and what needs improving so we can be our best as a state circle.

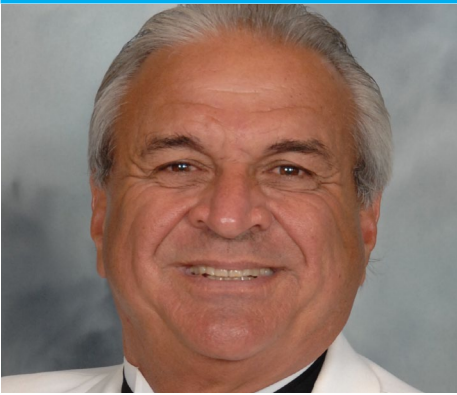
My family recently added a new member through adoption – so I now have one sister and am up

to three brothers! It has been great having a baby brother around and it is so much fun playing with him. Watching him grow over the last two months has made me think about how important it is to be a good example as both a brother and Squire. As Squires we have a responsibility to learn what our faith really is and to live out our faith in all we do. We are to spread the gospel, or “good news” by more than our words, but with our example. As Benjamin Franklin said, “A good example is the best sermon.” Our motto, Esto Dignus, means “Be Worthy”. This itself calls us to action. When we take on the title of a Squire, we promise to do our best in all we do and be an example to others. May we all be worthy!

I hope to see many of my fellow Squires at our upcoming state events and can’t wait to hear about all the new service projects your circles are doing this fall! May we live out the “good news” by our work in the community and our daily life with others.

Esto Dignus!





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RECRUIT.  
 RETAIN.  
 READMIT.

These are the three words to a successful goal attainment in the area of Membership, New Brothers are the life blood of your council. Cherish new ideas and change the way you do things. Always be prepared to recruit.. A knight without a form 100 in his possession is like a day without sunshine. There are new form 100's available that are half the size of the previous ones. Please order your supply from Supreme,

We are heading into the month of October which is marked by Supreme as Church Drive month. Hopefully your councils have ordered the Church Drive Kit and are

prepared to encourage the membership of new members from your Church Parish, your Parish Men's club, and all other parish organizations.

Ok so how are we doing.? We have an annual goal of 1375 new Brother Knights. We need Sixty Star Councils, We need a net net number of 100 and we need all 312 Councils to recruit every chance you get. Nobody will join if you don't ask them. We are on target in the first quarter to hit our continuous goal. We need 115 new Brothers a month. To date we are there. The September numbers are not in yet but from my calculations of reports we should be over the top for the first quarter. This carries with it a monetary reward from Supreme.

Supreme has also extended the VIP bonus program of 2,000 points to the proposer along with a beautiful medallion of our Pope Francis. We need 75 round tables. Fill out the forms and get them in.

I also need the last 10 councils whom have not yet submitted form 185 to do so and the 31 councils yet to submit form 365 to do so. Those council numbers will be sent under a separate email.

I am truly blessed to have been appointed State Membership Director under the Guidance of our SD Vernon Ducote. Vernon was the State Top Proposer last year. He brought in 28 new Brother Knights. The future of your council is dependent on your recruiting efforts.

We have 26 suspended councils with over 600 Knights on rosters that need attention. If you are a DD that has a suspended council assigned to you I would like you to please get us an update and status of that council.

Good luck recruiting! Wear your KC logo everywhere, be proud that you are a Knight of Columbus. Be prepared to Recruit wherever you are.

We have some challenges in the upcoming quarter. Holidays, Holidays and more Holidays.

Host an Initiation Degree as often as you can. You can now do it by memory, you can read it, you can show the video, or you can combo the DVD along with script.

Thank you for your efforts so for this year. Please don't quit. Upon completion of the degree please scan your new Brothers form 100 to [membershiprecords@kofc.org](mailto:membershiprecords@kofc.org) as soon as possible.

**ASK A CATHOLIC FAMILY TO JOIN EVERY DAY.**

**EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE**

All exemplifications in this schedule shall be conducted in the second and third degrees ONLY, by order of State Deputy Vernon Ducote. Only those exemplifications approved by the State Deputy are listed and councils are

| <u>Date</u> | <u>District Deputy</u> | <u>Host Council</u>         |
|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 07.25.15    | DD Arthur Newby        | Council 1905, Gretna        |
| 08.29.15    | DD Marvin Guillot      | Council 10564, Simmesport   |
| 09.20.15    | DD Tim Gautreau        | Council 6753, Fr Settlement |
| 09.26.15    | DD Karl Guidry         | Council 10293, Lafayette    |
| 10.11.15    | DD Chris Davis         | Council 3407, Shreveport    |
| 10.17.15    | DD Richard Lasseigne   | Council 1114, Thibodaux     |
| 10.17.15    | DD Darryl Fontenot     | Council 3857, DeRidder      |
| 10.24.15    | DD Glenn Gilyot        | Council 9415, New Orleans   |



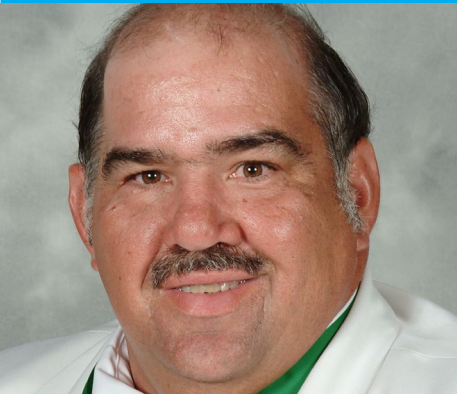
# Membership

## Membership Statistics from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

| Co#         | Location          | Quota    | NET      | Co#  | Location      | Quota | NET |
|-------------|-------------------|----------|----------|------|---------------|-------|-----|
| 0714        | New Orleans       | 4        | 0        | 3061 | Covington     | 9     | 2   |
| 0969        | Baton Rouge       | 7        | 1        | 3068 | New Orleans   | 8     | 3   |
| 0970        | Plaquemine        | 19       | 3        | 3088 | Hessmer       | 4     | 1   |
| 1087        | Donaldsonville    | 12       | 0        | 3091 | Westwego      | 7     | 0   |
| 1099        | Napoleonville     | 16       | 0        | 3150 | Cut Off       | 13    | 0   |
| 1108        | Shreveport        | 6        | 1        | 3200 | Alexandria    | 8     | 2   |
| 1114        | Thibodaux         | 21       | 1        | 3202 | Lafayette     | 9     | 1   |
| <b>1134</b> | <b>Alexandria</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>8</b> | 3208 | Lake Charles  | 8     | 0   |
| 1173        | Opelousas         | 4        | 0        | 3246 | New Orleans   | 8     | 0   |
| 1199        | Cottonport        | 5        | 4        | 3298 | Baton Rouge   | 6     | 0   |
| 1207        | Lake Charles      | 4        | 2        | 3331 | Baton Rouge   | 6     | 0   |
| 1208        | New Iberia        | 9        | 1        | 3353 | Oberlin       | 4     | 1   |
| 1217        | Marksville        | 11       | 0        | 3356 | Cecilia       | 4     | 0   |
| 1276        | St. Martinville   | 8        | 0        | 3399 | Krotz Springs | 24    | 0   |
| 1286        | Lafayette         | 10       | 2        | 3407 | Shreveport    | 14    | 4   |
| 1317        | Houma             | 10       | 0        | 3409 | Opelousas     | 7     | 3   |
| 1337        | Monroe            | 8        | 2        | 3411 | New Orleans   | 5     | 1   |
| 1357        | Natchitoches      | 16       | 0        | 3425 | New Iberia    | 7     | 0   |
| 1373        | Morgan City       | 5        | 0        | 3465 | Metairie      | 13    | 0   |
| 1420        | Franklin          | 5        | 1        | 3470 | Lafayette     | 5     | 4   |
| 1425        | Jeanerette        | 4        | 1        | 3475 | Elton         | 5     | 0   |
| 1437        | New Orleans       | 17       | 2        | 3496 | Port Barre    | 9     | 1   |
| 1514        | Vacherie          | 14       | 1        | 3528 | Kenner        | 6     | 1   |
| 1710        | Patterson         | 12       | 0        | 3534 | Oakdale       | 4     | 0   |
| 1724        | Algiers           | 7        | 0        | 3621 | Arnaudville   | 6     | 1   |
| 1745        | Eunice            | 6        | 1        | 3622 | Moss Bluff    | 10    | 8   |
| 1754        | Ville Platte      | 6        | 1        | 3634 | Norco         | 17    | 5   |
| 1817        | Gramercy          | 15       | 5        | 3642 | West Monroe   | 8     | 0   |
| 1819        | Bogalusa          | 8        | -1       | 3662 | Basile        | 4     | 0   |
| 1897        | Rayne             | 8        | 1        | 3729 | New Orleans   | 17    | 5   |
| 1905        | Gretna            | 13       | 0        | 3743 | Baton Rouge   | 11    | 2   |
| 1988        | Washington        | 4        | 0        | 3779 | Shreveport    | 13    | 0   |
| 1998        | New Roads         | 4        | 0        | 3796 | St Gabriel    | 7     | 0   |
| 2012        | Jennings          | 12       | 0        | 3854 | Harahan       | 10    | 0   |
| 2142        | Plaucheville      | 5        | 0        | 3857 | DeRidder      | 8     | 2   |
| 2150        | Morganza          | 6        | 1        | 3870 | Duson         | 24    | 0   |
| 2281        | Abbeville         | 10       | 0        | 3872 | Erath         | 10    | -3  |
| 2395        | Bunkie            | 6        | 4        | 3923 | Jefferson     | 4     | 0   |
| 2398        | Breaux Bridge     | 10       | -6       | 4010 | Mansura       | 4     | 1   |
| 2409        | Luling            | 15       | 0        | 4023 | Leonville     | 5     | 0   |
| 2432        | Mansfield         | 24       | 0        | 4030 | Baton Rouge   | 16    | 0   |
| 2436        | Reserve           | 8        | 1        | 4085 | Baker         | 7     | 1   |
| 2504        | Church Point      | 10       | 1        | 4088 | Minden        | 4     | 0   |
| 2657        | Prairieville      | 16       | 1        | 4156 | Leesville     | 11    | 1   |
| 2675        | Mamou             | 4        | 0        | 4222 | Marrero       | 6     | 1   |
| 2732        | Slidell           | 19       | -13      | 4309 | Centerville   | 8     | 0   |
| 2807        | Baton Rouge       | 13       | 1        | 4346 | White Castle  | 24    | 0   |
| 2855        | Welsh             | 9        | 3        | 4508 | Metairie      | 4     | 1   |
| 2875        | Port Allen        | 9        | 6        | 4547 | New Orleans   | 4     | 0   |
| 2878        | Metairie          | 8        | 1        | 4562 | Lake Charles  | 14    | 6   |
| 2893        | Kinder            | 7        | 1        | 4663 | Metairie      | 8     | 2   |
| 2913        | Kaplan            | 8        | 0        | 4676 | Loreauville   | 6     | 0   |
| 2925        | New Orleans       | 6        | -3       | 4683 | Lafayette     | 6     | -2  |
| 2952        | Hammond           | 20       | 1        | 4761 | Raceland      | 8     | 0   |
| 2972        | Moreauville       | 6        | 2        | 4787 | Hathaway      | 6     | 0   |
| 2982        | Iota              | 4        | 0        | 4791 | Estherwood    | 13    | 0   |
| 3006        | Iowa              | 8        | 1        | 4818 | Zwolle        | 4     | 0   |
| 3012        | Lake Arthur       | 10       | 0        | 4873 | Bossier City  | 22    | 5   |
| 3014        | Creole            | 8        | 3        | 4874 | Ponchatoula   | 13    | 2   |
| 3015        | Sulphur           | 11       | 4        | 4906 | Evangeline    | 4     | 1   |
| 3048        | Bell City         | 7        | 0        | 4927 | Parks         | 7     | 0   |
| 3054        | Lockport          | 16       | 1        | 5013 | Chauvin       | 18    | 3   |
| 3055        | Gueydan           | 9        | 0        | 5022 | Lake Charles  | 7     | 0   |

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|-------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|-------------|----------------|----------|----------|--------------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| 5048        | Pine Prairie             | 4        | 2         | 8770        | Maurice        | 8        | 1        | 10911        | Amite               | 5        | 3        |
| 5084        | Chataignier              | 4        | 0         | 8779        | Theriot        | 11       | 0        | 10912        | Hammond             | 24       | 0        |
| 5111        | New Iberia               | 9        | 0         | 8805        | DeQuincy       | 4        | 1        | 11060        | Tickfaw             | 4        | 0        |
| 5166        | Delcambre                | 7        | 0         | 8840        | Mathews        | 8        | 0        | 11061        | Labadieville        | 7        | 0        |
| 5301        | Metairie                 | 4        | 0         | 8843        | Leroy          | 4        | 0        | 11096        | Coteau Holmes       | 4        | 0        |
| 5345        | Lafayette                | 4        | 2         | 8861        | Shreveport     | 4        | 0        | 11212        | Cow Island          | 4        | 0        |
| 5352        | Pierre Part              | 6        | 0         | 8878        | Lakeland       | 10       | 6        | 11270        | Opelousas           | 7        | 1        |
| 5461        | Cameron                  | 9        | 0         | 8898        | Larose         | 13       | 3        | 11407        | Grand Lake          | 4        | 0        |
| 5499        | Crowley                  | 12       | -4        | 8901        | Lafayette      | 13       | 1        | 11491        | Mowata              | 4        | 0        |
| 5530        | Baton Rouge              | 8        | 3         | 8906        | Thibodaux      | 6        | 5        | 11576        | Hackberry           | 4        | 0        |
| 5532        | Lawtell                  | 5        | 0         | 8932        | Bourg          | 7        | 1        | 11792        | New Iberia          | 4        | 0        |
| 5627        | Independence             | 8        | 6         | 8971        | Thibodaux      | 24       | 0        | 11814        | Pearl River         | 4        | 0        |
| 5747        | Chalmette                | 15       | 1         | 8978        | North Sulphur  | 9        | 0        | 11857        | Vacherie            | 8        | 1        |
| 5755        | Westlake                 | 10       | -1        | 9000        | Golden Meadow  | 9        | 0        | 12060        | Thibodaux           | 7        | 0        |
| 5935        | Laplace                  | 11       | 1         | 9007        | Metairie       | 6        | 1        | 12061        | Many                | 4        | 2        |
| 6057        | Youngsville              | 8        | 3         | 9016        | Baton Rouge    | 8        | 0        | 12068        | Grosse Tete         | 4        | 0        |
| 6103        | Vinton                   | 9        | 4         | 9085        | Barksdale AFB  | 5        | 4        | 12072        | Mandeville          | 13       | -2       |
| 6170        | Houma                    | 12       | 0         | 9107        | New Orleans    | 7        | 0        | 12103        | Lecompte            | 5        | 0        |
| 6211        | Bayou Vista              | 5        | -1        | 9110        | Jennings       | 4        | 0        | 12115        | New Orleans         | 4        | 0        |
| 6324        | Monroe                   | 4        | 0         | 9217        | Belle Deau     | 4        | 1        | 12163        | Milton              | 5        | -5       |
| 6326        | Denham Springs           | 17       | -3        | 9219        | Bayou Pigeon   | 24       | 0        | 12179        | Morgan City         | 4        | 3        |
| 6357        | Belle Chasse             | 11       | 0         | 9240        | Mandeville     | 16       | 4        | 12209        | Bordelonville       | 4        | 0        |
| 6369        | Avondale                 | 4        | 0         | 9247        | Baton Rouge    | 7        | 5        | 12245        | Franklinton         | 5        | 0        |
| 6389        | St Amant                 | 11       | 5         | 9260        | Shreveport     | 7        | 0        | 12285        | Schriever           | 9        | 0        |
| 6496        | Abbeville                | 4        | 0         | 9281        | Lacassine      | 5        | 0        | 12529        | Abita Springs       | 13       | 1        |
| 6531        | Baton Rouge              | 6        | 0         | 9294        | Echo           | 4        | 0        | 12686        | Metairie            | 5        | 0        |
| 6746        | Kenner                   | 4        | 1         | 9338        | Houma          | 7        | 1        | 12906        | Covington           | 10       | 1        |
| <b>6753</b> | <b>French Settlement</b> | <b>7</b> | <b>7</b>  | 9347        | Metairie       | 5        | 0        | 12989        | Lacombe             | 9        | 2        |
| 6870        | Terrytown                | 6        | 0         | 9384        | Marrero        | 4        | 0        | 12997        | New Iberia          | 8        | 2        |
| 6873        | Baldwin                  | 5        | 0         | 9415        | New Orleans    | 5        | 0        | 13145        | Baton Rouge         | 4        | 0        |
| 6958        | Carencro                 | 9        | 0         | 9418        | Fifth Ward     | 4        | 0        | 13192        | Natchitoches        | 24       | 0        |
| 6959        | Egan                     | 6        | 1         | 9436        | Richard        | 20       | 0        | 13296        | Kolin               | 4        | 0        |
| 7033        | Ragley                   | 4        | 3         | <b>9623</b> | <b>Laplace</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>8</b> | 13349        | Waggaman            | 4        | 0        |
| 7050        | Rynella                  | 7        | 2         | 9692        | Baton Rouge    | 14       | 0        | 13397        | Thibodaux           | 7        | 0        |
| 7084        | Berwick                  | 4        | 0         | 9753        | Tioga          | 6        | 0        | 13411        | Thibodaux           | 4        | 0        |
| 7226        | Marrero                  | 6        | 0         | 9769        | Slidell        | 5        | 0        | 13425        | River Ridge         | 6        | 3        |
| 7275        | Lafayette                | 10       | 1         | 9912        | Grand Prairie  | 4        | 0        | 13505        | Alexandria          | 4        | 0        |
| <b>7350</b> | <b>Barataria</b>         | <b>9</b> | <b>15</b> | 9933        | Luling         | 8        | 1        | 13632        | Baton Rouge         | 5        | 4        |
| 7355        | Houma                    | 13       | 1         | 9935        | Duralde        | 5        | 1        | 13819        | Houma               | 5        | 2        |
| 7411        | Mire                     | 7        | 0         | 9973        | Slidell        | 16       | 1        | <b>13931</b> | <b>Lake Charles</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>9</b> |
| 7557        | Broussard                | 21       | 4         | 10045       | Winnfield      | 23       | 0        | 14542        | Lafayette           | 4        | 2        |
| 7568        | Scott                    | 8        | 0         | 10057       | Harvey         | 4        | 2        | 14614        | Covington           | 5        | 0        |
| 7657        | Bayou Blue               | 5        | 1         | 10080       | Zachary        | 5        | 2        | <b>14657</b> | <b>Pineville</b>    | <b>4</b> | <b>4</b> |
| 7722        | Dulac                    | 7        | 1         | 10156       | New Orleans    | 24       | 0        | 14822        | Kenner              | 7        | -5       |
| 7856        | St Francisville          | 6        | 0         | 10176       | Folsom         | 5        | 3        | 15006        | Lake Charles        | 7        | 2        |
| 8029        | Alexandria               | 7        | 1         | 10178       | Albany         | 7        | 0        | 15064        | Baton Rouge         | 6        | 0        |
| 8030        | Livonia                  | 4        | 0         | 10185       | Catahoula      | 4        | 0        | 15133        | Madisonville        | 9        | 4        |
| 8031        | Swartz                   | 4        | 0         | 10269       | Fenton         | 21       | 0        | 15228        | Fishville           | 4        | 0        |
| 8032        | Oak Grove                | 4        | 0         | 10293       | Lafayette      | 14       | -4       | 15390        | Marrero             | 4        | 0        |
| 8058        | Carlyss                  | 12       | 4         | 10349       | Henderson      | 4        | 1        | 15477        | Lafayette           | 4        | 0        |
| 8147        | Gonzales                 | 9        | 2         | 10428       | Eunice         | 5        | 2        | 15501        | New Orleans         | 4        | 0        |
| 8322        | Maplewood                | 7        | 0         | 10455       | Baton Rouge    | 10       | 0        | 15615        | Amelia              | 4        | 0        |
| 8323        | Johnson Bayou            | 4        | 0         | 10564       | Simmesport     | 4        | 1        | 15676        | New Orleans         | 4        | 1        |
| 8324        | Grand Chenier            | 4        | 0         | 10606       | Belle Rose     | 4        | 0        | 15731        | Pineville           | 4        | 0        |
| 8342        | Prairieville             | 22       | 1         | 10612       | Houma          | 6        | 0        | 15892        | Harvey              | 4        | 0        |
| 8371        | Amelia                   | 4        | 0         | 10613       | Baton Rouge    | 4        | 2        | 16094        | Shreveport          | 4        | 1        |
| 8438        | Campiti                  | 15       | 0         | 10645       | Lacombe        | 6        | 1        | 16182        | Metairie            | 4        | -1       |
| 8442        | Violet                   | 4        | 0         | 10717       | Mermentau      | 4        | 0        |              |                     |          |          |
| 8546        | Metairie                 | 7        | 0         | 10721       | Judice         | 7        | 1        |              |                     |          |          |
| 8583        | Morse                    | 7        | 0         | 10728       | Shreveport     | 5        | 3        |              |                     |          |          |
| 8601        | Baton Rouge              | 10       | 0         | 10744       | Brusly         | 7        | -4       |              |                     |          |          |
| 8615        | Gretna                   | 9        | 0         | 10745       | Cankton        | 4        | 2        |              |                     |          |          |
| 8616        | Pointe Aux Chenes        | 6        | 0         | 10800       | Kraemer        | 6        | 4        |              |                     |          |          |
| 8703        | Port Sulphur             | 5        | 0         | 10824       | Ruston         | 4        | 0        |              |                     |          |          |
| 8743        | Chackbay                 | 8        | 1         | 10902       | Lydia          | 4        | 0        |              |                     |          |          |

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**Together we can truly make a difference.** This year we are hoping to conduct a very successful fund raiser and as result be able to make a nice donation to both Notre Dame Seminary and St. Joseph Seminary College. All net proceeds will be used to help financially support mission trips taken by seniors at St. Joseph Seminary College and 1<sup>st</sup> Year Theology students at Notre Dame Seminary.

All councils were given Raffle tickets to sell to help the La. State Council raise funds for this worthwhile cause. All raffle tickets are being sold at \$5.00 a ticket. We have created some generous prizes for this raffle which include: Grand Prize-\$5,000.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize-\$2,500.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize- \$1,000.00, 4<sup>th</sup> Prize-\$500.00 and 5<sup>th</sup> Prize- \$250.00. Each Council that sells 50 or more tickets, the Council will be given 4 free chances in the drawing for every 50 tickets that are sold. These tickets will put in the Council's name and if a council wins one of these prizes, it could serve as a great fundraiser for that Council.

We encourage each Council to send in all sold tickets stubs, unsold tickets and money to our State Secretary-**James F. Riente, Jr. P.O. Box 1456 St. Francisville, LA 70775-1456.** The State Council is asking that each Council collect the money for the tickets sold and write a Council check for the total amount of tickets sold. All

checks should be made out to Louisiana State Council Knights of Columbus. We encourage Councils to please consider sending in money and tickets stubs by November 1, 2015. However if a Council needs a little more time to sell additional tickets, please contact or email our State Chairman- Delmas Forbes, Jr. at 225-939-2980 or by email at [dcforbes1@cox.net](mailto:dcforbes1@cox.net). **Another Important Reminder-** Once a Council has determined it cannot sell any additional tickets; we would appreciate if you would return all unsold tickets to us as soon as possible.

We will conduct the drawing for this raffle at our State Family Meeting on Sunday December 6, 2015 in Houma, La.



**Successful Seminarian Day**

St Jean Vianney Council 9247 from Baton Rouge conducted a very successful Seminarian Day after all masses on the weekends of August 15-16 and August 22-23, 2015. Members of their council sold Seminarian Mission Fund Raffle tickets before and after all masses on these weekends to people who attended St.

Jean Vianney Catholic Church. Prior to these weekends the council encouraged their parishioners through the church bulletin to support the Seminarian Mission Raffle and also asked their parishioners to donate toiletries to be given to our Louisiana seminarians. Council members were also urged to purchase raffle tickets and donate toiletries, by promoting this program through their council meetings, council newsletter and council website. This council sold over 210 tickets before running out of tickets and collected \$1,133.00 in ticket sales and donations. The council is encouraging their members to sell or purchase additional raffle tickets since there is still time to do so. Through the generosity of parishioners of St Jean Vianney and council members, they not only collected \$1,133.00, but three very large boxes of toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, razors, shaving prep, soap, shampoo, deodorant, laundry detergent, and fabric softener on these weekends. All of the personal toiletries were recently donated to the seminarians at Notre Dame Seminary. This council for many years has supported this fund raiser and we continue to encourage other councils to please consider selling the Seminarian Mission Fund raffle tickets after weekend masses within your local church parishes.





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Brother Knights, as I writing this Louisiana Knight Column, I am sure that most of your councils that are going to participate in the tootsie roll drive are receiving your tootsie rolls, and preparing for the many hours of fund raising. I truly enjoy my time standing at one of the stores, and for these hours, and I am always amazed in the amount of people who give generously for such a worthy cause. Many of these people ask, where does this money go to that is being raised, and I proudly say that money donated is distributed back into our area to help our own local residents with their special needs. Some councils may also give a percentage to St. Mary's Rehabilitation Training School which has one hundred and ninety-seven residents, and some of their residents come from their own hometowns. I have always noticed and extra smile on the people who asked this question, because they give from the heart, and when they hear it is helping our local residents it seems to brighten their day even more.

For the councils who are not participating in the tootsie roll drive there are many different fund raisers that you can do to help raise money for your special citizens in your hometowns. I ask that you please participate in this very worthy cause, and get the warm feeling in your hearts when you are able to present a check to these special people.

Vivat Jesus!



## St. Mary's

For 61 years St. Mary's has been a vital resource for many families throughout South Louisiana. Founded in 1954 by Bishop Charles P. Greco in Clarks, Louisiana, St. Mary's is a residential facility and home to nearly 200 children and adults that are diagnosed with developmental disabilities. Since 1974 the campus has been centrally located in Alexandria on a 55-acre campus. St. Mary's operates under the auspices of the Diocese of Alexandria and has been served by the Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows (OLS) since it was founded.

Brothers we have sixty-one Districts in Louisiana Knights of Columbus, and did you know that out of those sixty one Districts, St. Mary's children's hometowns are in forty - one of our Districts. That is right 2/3rds of our Districts are home to Our Children of St. Mary's. St. Mary really hits home my Brothers.

I was at St. Mary's this month to set up tours to St. Mary's. I ask that you contact me if you want to experience the love, the sorrow, and yes the special graces of God within St. Mary's and these special children. I will meet with anybody who wants to go to St. Mary's. My Brothers St. Mary's need the Louisiana Knights to help, and support these special children.

St. Mary's events coming up.

St. Mary's 5K Challenge is an annual 5K run/1 mile walk event that takes place each fall, and is scheduled for November 7<sup>th</sup> in Alexandria. The purpose is to raise awareness and support for St. Mary's while giving the community an opportunity to visit and know our residents more personally. This event is open to the public. I will send out more details about St. Mary's annual 5K run/1mile walk as soon as I have more information.

St. Mary's web-site is <http://www.stmarysalexandria.org>  
 May God Bless



**Frank Zaeringer**  
**Special Olympics Chairman**  
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Brothers, "The Results are In" for this summer's International Games held in the LA Coliseum in Los Angeles.

Our Louisiana delegation of 6 special athletes who qualified for the International Games (all expenses for the athletes and their families were paid for by Supreme) thrived in competition and brought home 4 gold medals, 1 silver medal, 1 bronze medal, 4 fourth place ribbons, 2 fifth place medals, 1 seventh place ribbon and 1 eighth place ribbon.

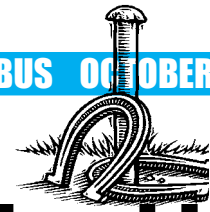
Congratulations and thank you for all your hard work, dedication and for making the USA and LOUISIANA proud.

There were nearly 7000 athletes, 3000 coaches and 30,000 volunteers and delegates from all over the world who attended and competed in the 2015 SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD SUMMER GAMES. There were also 50,000 family, friends and spectators who came out to support the athletes.

So please help continue this winning tradition and GET INVOLVED with Special Olympics in your area. Just go to the state K C web site and under Special Olympics there is a direct link to the State Special Olympics web site. Click on your area and see how you can help with activities, fundraisers and events. There are contact names on each area site.

**Special  
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# 43rd Annual State Horseshoe Championship



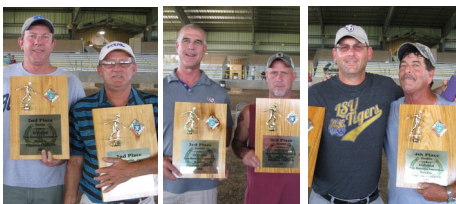
State Secretary James Riente (L) presents Eddie Guidry, Council 9692, Baton Rouge, State Horseshoe Singles Champion Award.



Singles Finalist in the recent 43rd Annual KC State Horseshoe Tournament included: (L-R) Charles Savoy, Council 2012, Jennings, Second Place; Lawrence Mier, Council 2855, Welsh, Third Place; and Carroll Addison, Council 2952, Hammond, Fourth Place.



K.C. Horseshoe Doubles Champions are (L-R) Edward Landry and David Reed, Council 2855, Welsh, as State Secretary James Riente looks on.



K.C. Horseshoe Doubles Finalists are (L-R) Second Place, James Barrios & Edwin Blanchard, Council 3054; Third Place, Rhett Griffin & Todd Price, Council 3054; & Fourth Place Chad Mensman & Wayne Comeaux, Council 4309.

PLAQUEMINE, La - Under blue skies, hot conditions and a ROOF over our heads, the 43rd Annual State Horseshoe Tournament was conducted at Mike Zito Activity Center, Plaquemine, as the highly popular state event returned to the friendly confines of the Zito.

Eddie Guidry, Council 9692, Baton Rouge, posted a 5 & 0 record, and claimed his KC State Singles Championship. Guidry's trip to the crown included wins over Butch Remondet, Co. 2436; Clarence Bertrand, Co. 9281; Louis Gaudet, Co. 15006, before defeating last year champion Charles Savoy by a score of 31-24. Guidry defeated Savoy in the Championship game by a count of 30-23.

Doubles action saw the team of Edward Landry and David Reed, Council 2855, Welsh, 6-0, capture the State Championship. Landry/Reed victory march included wins over: Bailey/Cassagne, Co. 2436; Faucheux/Remondet, Co. 2436; Comeaux/Mensman, Co. 4309; Barrios/Blanchard, Co. 3054 (defending champions) 47-7; and Griffin/Price, Co. 3054 in the winners bracket finals, 42-10.

In the championship match Landry/Reed took on the defending champions of Barrios/Blanchard, Co. 3054. Landry/Reed only needed one game to capture the title by a score of 31-23.



State Secretary James Riente (L) presents Veachel Tucker, Council 10176, Folsom, State Horseshoe Senior Singles Champion.

2014 Senior Singles Champion Ron Latiolais did not participate this year, however previous champion Veachel Tucher, Council 10176, Folsom, proved he was a worthy champion as he walked thru the bracket undefeated and claimed three straight victories to claim the 43rd Annual KC State Horseshoe Senior Singles Championship.

Tucker's victories included a 54-6 win over E. Ralph Formby, Co. 10293; 48-5 over Roland Bertrand, Co. 3048; and 46-14 over Bertrand in the Championship match.

Plaquemine Council 970 is to be commended for another excellent job in hosting this state event.



Senior Singles Finalists include (L-R) Second Place Roland Bertrand, Co. 3048; Third Place Richard Craig, Co. 10293; and Fourth Place Earl Tastet, Co. 2409.

Plaquemine Council 970 Captures Team Championship

# Barbier Captures Rain Shortened 68th Annual State Golf Championship

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT:**

- 76 Stan Barbier, Council 970
- 79 Brad Ducote, Council 970
- 83 Ralph Curole, Council 3150

**FIRST FLIGHT:**

- 78 Daryl Tempanaro, Council 970
- 78 Blake Walker, Council 3622
- 80 Tracy Broussard, Council 9247

**SECOND FLIGHT:**

- 81 Phil Canova, Council 970
- 86 Kent Crochet, Council 6170
- 87 Ronald Harmon, Council 3622

**THIRD FLIGHT:**

- 89 Joseph Cortez, Council 10800
- 91 Howard Hernandez, Council 970
- 91 David Daigle, Council 12068

**FOURTH FLIGHT:**

- 89 Ryan Cortez, Council 10800
- 92 Daron Kraemer, Council 10800
- 94 Wayne Comeaux, Council 4309

**FIFTH FLIGHT:**

- 97 Jessie Cortez, Council 10800
- 100 David Comeaux, Council 4309
- 103 Sal Vutera, Council 2952

**SENIOR GROSS "A" FLIGHT:**

- 75 Walt Rachal, Council 8601
- 88 Ralph Comeaux, Council 970
- 89 Irvin Bergeron, Council 13819

**SENIOR NET "A" FLIGHT:**

- 74.4 Ronald Latiolais, Council 2657
- 76.4 "Champ" Knight, Council 3202
- 78.4 Rodney Blanchard, Co 10455

**SENIOR NET "B" FLIGHT:**

- 72.0 Doug Dupre, Council 6170
- 76.4 Jerry Berggren, Council 9692
- 77.8 Robert Levron, Council 7657

PATTERSON, La - The Louisiana State Council hosted the 68th Annual Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament, September 25-26-27, at Atchafalaya at Idlewild Golf Club, Patterson.

Ninety-three (93) knights from throughout the state participated in the three day event. A Friday night welcome reception was hosted at Atchafalaya GC Club House, as the State Council served as host and chair.

The Friday scramble featured 47 players on 12 teams. All teams competed at Atchafalaya. The team of Doug Streeby, Co. 1710, Ross Kaufmann, Co. 3622, Jerry Berggren, Co. 9692 and Brian Millet, Co. 10800, captured top honors by shooting a 13 under par, 59.



**Stan Barbier**

Stan Barbier, Plaquemine Council 970, re-captured the Championship Flight top honors with a score of 76. 2014 Champion Brad Ducote, Council 970, finished three strokes behind at 79. Ralph Curole, Council 3150 took home third place honors with a score of 80.

The Louisiana State Council would like to thank all Brother Knights who participated in the tournament and made it a great success.

Finally, the State Council would like to thank Ed Selser, PGA Pro, Atchafalaya GC, for his assistance in making this years KC State Golf Championship a quality event.



*Scramble Winners in the 68th Annual KC State Golf Tournament included (L-R) State Deputy Vernon Ducote, Brian Millet, Doug Streeby, Ross Kaufmann and Jerry Berggren.*

Second Place Scramble award went to the team of Albert Morvant, Co. 7557, Blake Walker, Co. 3622, Preston Comeaux, Co. 8058 and Todd Coyle, Co. 8779, as they posted a 10 under par, 62.

The team of Keith Bischoff, Co. 9692, Grant Cortez, Co. 10800, Darron Kraemer, Co. 10800, and Stephen Hart, Co. 12529 posted a 63 and claimed third place honors.

83 KC Golfers teed it up on Saturday morning, and little did they know, that their score that day would be the only score posted, as torrential rains forced the postponement of Sunday's second round.

Team Champion honors went to Plaquemine Council 970, with 15 points. Council 970 recorded three first place and three second place finishers. Council 10800 finished in second place with 11 points (3 first and 1 second).



**Council 970, Team Champions**



*Scramble 2nd Place: (L-R) State Deputy Ducote, Albert Morvant, Preston Comeaux, Todd Coyle and Blake Walker.*

**SORRY!**

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Photos NOT able to process.





Contributed by Richard Yandle, Lafayette Diocesan Administrator

# Fete Dieu du Teche 250th Anniversary of the Landing of the Acadians in Louisiana!

The Diocese of Lafayette celebrated the 250th anniversary of the religious exile of the Acadians from Nova Scotia to Louisiana. Many families eventually landed in St. Martinville in 1765. You can tell by the dates of the establishment of the Catholic churches in south Louisiana that the Bayou Teche was a major thoroughfare during that time period. The early churches were established along the Bayou Teche.

Father Michael Champagne, in commemoration of this event, requested special permission from Bishop Michael Jarrell to process with the Blessed Sacrament down the Bayou Teche from Leonville to St. Martinville. Bishop Jarrell agreed and Father Champagne immediately began preparation for this event. A

special monstrance was built to hold the Blessed Sacrament during the trip down the Bayou.

Fellow Acadians were encouraged to join in the celebration. Boat owners were invited to join a boat procession down the Bayou Teche. Many families lined the Bayou and the bridges across the Teche to catch a glimpse of the Blessed Sacrament and the procession. The day started at St. Leo's in Leonville with an opening Mass. A procession from the Church to the boat landing was led by an Honor Guard of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus.

The boat procession left the boat landing at Leonville, making stops in Arnaudville, Cecilia, Breaux Bridge and Parks with a rosary and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at each stop. The procession ended in St. Martinville with a stop at the Evangeline Oak, before heading to St. Martin de Tours Church for the Benediction. The day ended with a procession down Main Street in St. Martinville to Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel for Vespers and a final Benediction.

Thanks to all Sir Knights who stood Honor Guard at the various locations along the route. We had an outstanding showing.



**Council 9623**

Pictured are members of Laplace Council 9623 after they prepared meals for the National Guard Troops and presented gifts and candy to the children of the 1089th Transportation Division of the Guard.

Grand Knight Michael Abbate, Sr., is shown receiving a "Service Award" from the Guard for Michael's years of service to the National Guard.

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**67th Annual State Softball  
October 24**

**Pelican Park, Carencro**

**Mark Your Calendars!**

# Grand Knights Day

**Saturday, January 30, 2016  
Teurlings Catholic High School  
Lafayette**





Maryhill Renewal Center, founded in 1948 by the Most Reverend Charles P. Greco, D.D., Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Alexandria, Louisiana, is now under the leadership of the Most Reverend Ronald P. Herzog, D.D.

Easily accessible from major highways, Maryhill is located just northeast of Alexandria, Louisiana. The Center's personalized hospitality and gentle ambiance year-round are accentuated by 186 acres of pine forest with walking paths and stocked lake.

Southside accommodations provide 44 rooms, each with a double bed and private bath, along with two partly handicapped-accessible rooms, each with a single bed and private bath. Also on the Southside are two chapels, a dining hall, and comfortable meeting space for groups numbering from 4 to 80.

Northside overnight accommodations include 5 dormitory-style sleeping cabins with a total of 80 beds, and the Cedar Building, which consists of 12 rooms, each with 2 single beds and a private shower.

Also on the Northside of the lake is the Youth Ministry Center which consists of a meeting room that will seat up to 200 persons, a full commercial kitchen, dining rooms and a pavilion with picnic tables and a barbeque pit. The Northside has its own chapel and, depending on the season, a group can use the in-ground swimming pool and bathhouse.

Directed—Provides time for prayer, solitude and guidance from a personal Spiritual Director. This retreat calls for a willingness to discuss one's prayer experience with the Director. Except for the daily meeting with the Director, the time is spent in silence.

Preached—Offers two or three daily conferences, Mass, common prayer, and the opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation. The atmosphere is relaxed, casual and prayerful.

Maryhill Renewal Center  
For More Information, 318.715.2140  
Donald Hebert  
donbear@suddenlink.net

**\*\*\* Please Note \*\*\***  
**you will need to bring**  
**your own linens**  
**& towels!**

# Knights of Columbus State Wide Retreat

**When** Friday, Dinner @ 6:00pm thru Sunday late morning

**Where** Maryhill Renewal Center  
600 Maryhill Road, Pineville, 71360

**Dates** February 26-27-28, 2016

Brother Knights, NOW is the time to make your plans for FEBRUARY 2016. If you missed last years RETREAT, you missed the most spiritual weekend with fellow knights.

All information is included in the registration form, including a return address and on-line registration address. Include a \$25 DEPOSIT to hold your space. Each individual is responsible for their registration and deposit.

Please note, everyone will need to bring their own linens & towels.

*Cut on dotted line & mail to address as indicated with your deposit of \$25.*

**Registration for Knights of Columbus Statewide Retreat**  
 February 26-28, 2016     On-Site: \$175     Commuter: \$110.  
 Deposit (Non-Refundable & Non-Transferrable) required with Registration: \$25.00  
 Return to: Donald L. Hebert, Sr., 106 Clark Street, Pineville, LA 71360  
**Make check payable to: Knights of Columbus.** Balance due at Check-In.  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Info: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Indicate a specific room request here: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (This is not a guarantee. Rooms will be assigned based upon receipt of deposit in full.)  
 Will you be arriving in time for dinner at 6:00pm, Friday evening?     Yes     No  
 Do you have any food allergies or special diet needs?     Yes     No  
 If yes, please provide details on reverse.  
 IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, please contact: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 For office use only: Date Deposit Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Deposited: \$ \_\_\_\_\_