Calendar

Deadline

August 1	Deadline-Service Program
	Personnel-Form #365
August 1	Deadline-Squires Form #468
August 3-5	Supreme Convention
-	Washington, DC
August 7-15	Family Week
August 8	Deadline-Ordering Candy
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August 12	Birthday-Fr. Michael McGivney
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August 14-15	State Softball Tournament
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August 15	Major Degree, Council 12013
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August 15	Deadline-Semi-Annual Council
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August 15	Deadline-Family of the Month
August 15	Feast of the Assumption of the
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August 29	Deadline-Submit Area
	Horseshoe Winners to State
September 1	Deadline-Squires Semi-Annual
	Audit, Form #247
September 1	Deadline-Parish Roundtable
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September 1	Deadline-Submit Articles &
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September 6	Labor Day
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September 11	State Horseshoe Tournament
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September 12	Major Degree, Council 3015
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September 15	Deadline-Family of the Month
September 19	Major Degree, Council 5352
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Sept 24-26	State Golf Tournament
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September 30	Deadline-Council Soccer
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October 1-30	Respect Life Month
October 1	Dealine-Payment State Per
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October 1	Deadline-Submit Retention
	Committee
October 3	Major Degree, Council 12997
	New Iberia
October 8-10	Annual MDF Campaign
October 9	St. Mary Run/Walk for Life
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October 10	Deadline-Payment Supreme
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October 11	Columbus Day Observed
October 15	Deadline-District Soccer Chal
October 15	Dealine-Family of the Month
October 17	Major Degree, Council 1114
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October 24	Major Degree, Council 2952
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### **105th Annual State Convention**

### **HUGE SUCCESS!**





Ronnie Boudreaux State Deputy rlb150@bellsouth.net

The first thing I would like to say is thank you for electing me as your State Deputy. This honor you have given me surpasses all that has happened to me. To be State Deputy of Louisiana is by far the greatest honor I have ever received.

At the beginning I asked the elected State Officers for their recommendations to fill the many positions in the State Family. I think we have succeeded in appointing the best people we could find for the job. We had our State Family meeting in June in New Iberia.

In June the state won a contest of membership and collected \$300.00 from Supreme Council. The people of Louisiana responded again in July we took in 103 new members for the month of July. Also in July the state officers and directors conducted our annual KCLS. I am happy to report that this years KCLS was the best attended ever.

We had 172 councils in attendance. You told us you wanted something new and we tried. We also have just 42 councils that have not turned in their Officers report (185) in to the Supreme office. This form is very important because we cannot send you the news of the order if you do not know who the officers are. The directory of officers is waiting for the rest of the councils to turn in their lists to us.

It was an honor to lead our del-

egation to the Supreme convention in Washington, DC. We were a total of 28 people from Louisiana at the convention. Those of us that have attended Supreme Conventions before renewed old friendships and made new ones. The "rookies" all made new friendships and all are saying how they would like to attend another one in the future. One of our own councils in the state has won the international Pro Life award. Council 4030 from Baton Rouge won the award and the Grand Knight Ron Coco and his wife were awarded a trip to the Supreme Convention to receive the award from the Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson.

We have scheduled several major degrees in the next six months or so. (page 26 for details) I invite all of you to attend one of them if you can, this is making an impression on our new brother knights.

I urge all of you to work with your pastors and priests to promote our work to all in your community. Please invite all eligble Cathollic men to become a Knight. You will not be sorry for proposing a new Brother Knight and remember to bring him to his degrees and both of you will be stronger for it.

I would like to congratulate our very own Russell Ruh on being appointed Master of the Louisiana District of the Fourth Degree. Russsell has worked very hard for the Knights in Louisiana. I know he will bring honor to the Fourth Degree in Louisiana.

In closing remember:

#### **UNITED WE STAND**



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



#### Msgr. Joseph Susi State Chaplain msgrjsusi@suddenlink.net

Today we want to thank all of our outgoing officers, especially State Deputy Sir Knight Ben Davidson. He worked tirelessly with his officers to try to rebuild our Louisiana Jurisdiction. He worked every night to try to increase our membership. So, Sir Knight Ben, thank you for all you and your officers did. We know you will continue to see us grow. We do not want to forget Emma, who pushed him although she worried about him being on the road at night. She can now rest in peace.

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

Remember Ronnie, that Dee will stick by you as will all the Knights.

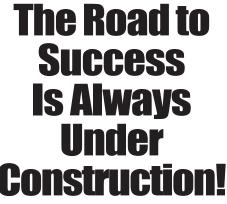
We end with a quotation of our Holy Father, Benedict XVI: I am convinced that the way to give life to a society truly attentive to the common good is to seek in the Gospel the roots of shared values... This is the ardent desire of the Catholic Church, which has no other interest but to spread and bear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

> My love to all the Knights. Vivat Jesus!

Once again, I would like to thank every council, individual, and other organization that contributed to our Youth Expansion Program this fraternal year. You are all aware of the worthy group of individuals that these funds provide benefit to — the youth of our state. Our efforts to provide youth programs would not be possible and our goals related to these would not be reached if it were not for each and every one of you who gave your support. Our youth in our state also thank you for your support and efforts supporting their programs.

At this point in time, donations and other fundraising efforts have yielded over \$129,403. 138 councils contributed the vast majority of these funds (just under \$120,618) came from. The remaining funds were from other collections and 50/50 raffles at various events. This is evidence of the





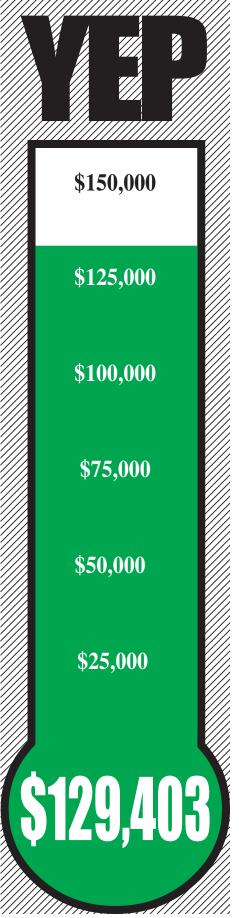


#### James Riente 2009-2010 Y.E.P. Chairman jriente@yahoo.com

continued commitment of councils and others which will help us continue to provide numerous, outstanding programs for our youth.

As the new fraternal year approaches, it is time to examine and finalize your programs and fundraising efforts for the year. I challenge all councils to set the goal of meeting their YEP quota. If you cannot meet your quota, please give what you can. Your donation, whether you exceed, meet, or fall short of your quota, will have an impact on and provide funding for youth programs throughout the year including CYLA Awards, Pro-Life Camp Joshua), Free Throw Competitions, Soccer Competitions, Scouting Awards, and University Centers. These are only a few of the programs that this program funds.

I have thoroughly enjoyed serving you and the State Council as your YEP Chairman over the last two years. Not only has this chairmanship given me the opportunity to contribute to this worthy cause, but it has also given me the opportunity to meet so many brother knights and visit numerous councils throughout the state. As my chairmanship of this program ends, I ask for your continued support of the program for many, many years to come.



State Deputy Report



#### Ben Davidson Outgoing State Deputy bendavidson1953@bellsouth.net

To: The Officers and Members of the 105th Annual Meeting of the Louisiana State Council, Knights of Columbus. Our Charter, Constitution and Laws of the Order and the State Council By-Laws Mandate the State Deputy to submit a report of his term of office and condition of the Louisiana Sate Council.

Worthy State Chaplain Msgr, Joseph Susi, Worthy Associate State Chaplain Carson Lacaze, Reverend Fathers, Deacons, Worthy Supreme Director, Worthy State Officers, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy Master Gerard Thomas, and My Brother Knights All.

The Elected State Officers and the Convention Committee welcome you to Lafayette. The host committee led by Chairman Richard Yandle have worked long and hard to make this an enjoyable convention. The committee with the assistance of Robert Boudreaux and his staff have scheduled something for the whole family. They have reorganized the order of the meetings to proceed more smoothly and in a timely manner.

This report will be a record of my second year as your State Deputy. I don't like to think of this report as my report, but as our report, as our Elected State Officers have worked as a team. I had adopted "SMILE" as my slogan. Service, Membership, Involvement, Leadership and Enthusiasm are some of the qualities that will make our members and councils stronger and better.

#### STATE CONVENTION

The State Convention this past year was held in Shreveport for the election of our State Officers, Delegates for 2009-2010, the approval of our state budget and resolutions and awards. The Convention Chairman, Edmond Twohig and Committee worked many months to make this Convention a success. I thank them for their efforts.

A survey was taken at the convention and from that survey we were able to incorporate some of the suggestions and comments to improve this convention. The Convention proceedings have been revised and the voting changed to save time. Thanks to Richard Yandle and the Convention Committee for making these changes.

#### STATE FAMILY SELECTION

As State Deputy I replaced 12 District Deputies, 2 Area Coordinators, 5 State Program Directors, 2 Membership Directors and named 2 new Program Directors for this year. This is never an easy task to try to get the best Brother Knights in over 100 different positions. We have many Brother Knights that would qualify, but so many are reluctant to serve. I thank all who stepped up and accepted the different positions.

#### STATE DEPUTY MEETINGS

As State Deputy, I attended the State Deputies Meeting in New Haven, Connecticut from June 11th to 14th, 2009. This Year 2009 was declared "The Year of the Volunteer." These meetings were very informative and helpful. We were given our State's goals in membership and programs. It was a pleasure and most interesting to meet the other State Deputies from our great Order. We were able to share our ideas and goals with other.

I attended meetings during the day and I attended Mass in St. Mary's Church. I was very humbled, as the Intentions for this Mass was for my loving wife Emma. To have the Intentions in the Birth Place of the Knights was something special for a special lady. I had breakfast in the basement of the Church, which is the same room that our Order was founded. I visited the Knight of Columbus Museum and the Supreme Office. At night, we were treated to Receptions, and a Dinner/ Dance. A most enjoyable 4 days with the other State Deputies, wives and Supreme Officers.

The second State Deputies meeting was held in Orlando, Florida from November 20th to 22nd, 2009. Once again, we were given membership and program updates and goals. It was great to renew our relationship with the State Deputies. I was able to go to dinner with my class, the 2008 State Deputies,



#### Ednamae & Peter Sahuc Pro-Life Chaircouple pfsahuc@cox.net

Wow! What a great meeting. Our State's annual KCLS had a very special twist this year in recognition of some significant changes in the State Program structure. With Pro-Life a program category all its own, joining Council, Church, Community, Family, Youth & Special Olympics, a special seminar designed specifically for our Council Pro-Life Chair Couples was held in conjunction with this annual training meeting. Never before have we had so large a representation by the KC's, with a total just short of 100 attending the Pro-Life KCLS sessions.

Those who attended the Pro-Life seminar received instruction covering a variety of Pro-Life subjects affecting the Knights of Columbus with special focus on "Duties & Responsibilities of the Council Pro-Life Chair Couple", a "How To" for the Knights of Columbus Pro-Life Baby Bottle Campaign, and a complete overview of the new Pro-Life Activity Grading Form which serves as a guide and is used for grading Council Pro-Life activities at the Council level.

Council Pro-Life Chair Couples were also provided with a list of sources available for both Pro-Life resources & materials to assist the Chair Couples in ordering needed materials and to help keep their Council families informed of current Pro-Life issues. In addition, the Chair Couples were briefly introduced to activities & topics such as Louisiana Camp Joshua, the Pro-Life Oratory Contest, Silent No More Awareness, the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative Program, and an overview of the controversial topic of how the *Susan B. Komen Race for the Cure* provides funding through its local chapters to *Planned Parenthood*, our nation's largest abortion provider.

The overall purpose of the seminar was to provide Pro-Life Chair Couples with an overview & explanation of what their job is and spark some fresh ideas. Couples were encouraged to return home and set up a comprehensive, pro-active Pro-Life Program in their Councils using the activity grading forms as a guide.

At the end of the seminar, Pro-Life Chair Couples were asked to complete a contact information form so that the State Pro-Life Chair Couple has a way to contact each Council Chair Couple. If your Council has not completed this form, please fill it out <u>completely</u> and return it to us at the address provided on the form or simply e-mail all of the requested information to us. If your Council missed this special meeting, please check your KCLS packet, which includes a packet of information for the Council Pro-Life Chair Couple printed on pink paper. This packet was also included in a recent one-time mailing. The packet includes the aforementioned contact information form and other material emphasized at the meeting. Please make sure this packet gets into the hands of your Council Pro-Life Chair Couple and encourage them to complete the form & send it in no later than August 31<sup>st</sup>.

With this great start, we look forward to another banner year for our Pro-Life KC's here in Louisiana. But what we've done so far is just that, a start. We've accomplished nothing if our Council Pro-Life Chair Couples do not develop pro-active Pro-Life programs for their Councils, and most important, if the Council officers, membership, and families do not support this effort with their time, treasure, & talent. Be Pro-Life. Be Pro-Active.

For the Unborn.



1 - St. Edmond Council 10293, Lafayette, E. Richard Yandle, GK	1000 points
2 - Mother of Mercy Council 4030, Baton Rouge, Ronald R. Coco, GK	1000 points
3- Lady of LaSalette Council 9000, Golden Meadow, Charles Callais, GK	955 points
4 - St. Jules Council 4683, Lafayette, Carroll Baudoin, GK	947 points
5 - Fr. James Clement Council 6389, St. Amant, Coy M. Moran, GK	945 points
5 - Fr. Van Winkel Council 9294, Echo, Tommy Guillot, GK	945 points
7 - Msgr. Carroll Badeaux Council 3054, Lockport, Warren Vedros, Sr, GK	943 points
7 - Fr. Shahrigian Council 8978, Sulphur, Wilmer J. Dugas, GK	943 points
9 - Most Holy Trinity Council 14614, Covington, Erie J. Hebert, GK	938 points
10 - St. Luke Council 9973, Slidell, Ray C. Duthu, GK	933 points
11 - St. Margaret Council 3208, Lake Charles, Edward L. Richard, GK	928 points
12 - Sulphur Council 3015, Sulphur, Chester Gremillion, GK	923 points
13 - Sacred Heart Council 7557, Broussard, Michael P. Malagarie, GK	922 points
14 - Patterson Council 1710, Patterson, Patrick Vidrine, GK	921 points
15 - Fr. Maynard Hurst Council 9016, Baton Rouge, Ernie Bonaccorso, GK	908 points
16 - Houma Council 1317, Houma, Kell J. Luke, GK	903 points
17 - Marquette Council 1437, New Orleans, Jerry M. Vadell, GK	900 points
18 - Bossier Council 4873, Bossier City, Charles E. Wheeler, GK	899 points
19 - Lady of Divine Providence Council 9347, Metairie, Ken Margavio, GK	895 points
20 - Lady of Good Voyage Council 7722, Dulac, John Silver, GK	887 points



Paul deMahy State Advocate Paul16JDC@aol.com

#### Resolution 12 No Marriages In Council Homes

At the State Convention the delegates adopted Resolution No. 12, which discourages the use of council homes for performing marriages. The resolution provides:

**RESOLUTION NO. 12** 

Purpose: To discourage Councils and Home Corporations from permitting Council homes to be used to perform marriages.

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus are committed to defending the Catholic Faith; and

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus are committed to protecting the sanctity of sacramental marriage; and

Whereas, the divorce rate among Catholics has risen over the years; and

Whereas, many Catholics remarry after divorce in a civil ceremony; and

Whereas, a Catholic can contract a valid marriage only before a bishop, priest or deacon (C.C.L. Canon 1108 § 1); and

Whereas, many Catholics remarry without having their previous marriage declared a nullity; and

Whereas, a Catholic cannot contract a valid marriage, during the existence of a previous marriage, which has not been declared null (C.C.L. Canon 1085); and

Whereas, each knight, as a baptized Catholic, and the Knights of Columbus, as an Order of baptized Catholics, are called to avoid activities, which violate Church law; and

Whereas, some Council homes are being rented for the purpose of celebrating marriages, involving a baptized Catholic, which are invalid under Church law; and

Whereas, a marriage between catholics, or between a catholic party and a baptized non-catholic, is to be celebrated in the parish church, unless allowed in another suitable place by the local bishop (C.C.L. Canon 1118); and

Whereas, a large portion of the public, including many Catholics, perceive Council homes to be Catholic Church property; and

Whereas, a large portion of the public, including many Catholics, consider the Knights of Columbus to be an inseparable part of the Catholic Church; and

Whereas, allowing a Council home to be used for performing a marriage, which is invalid under Church law, would be immediate material cooperation in such activity; and

Whereas, the use of Council homes for the performing of marriages, which are invalid under Church laws, are seen by some members of the public as the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Church condoning and approving the activity; and

Whereas, the Knights of Columbus should avoid all appearance that we promote marriages, which are invalid under the laws of the Catholic Church;

**Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Louisiana State Council, Knights of Columbus, convened in Lafayette, Louisiana on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 for their 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting that Knight of Columbus that Councils be discouraged from permitting their property to be used to perform marriages;

**Be It Further Resolved** that Knights of Columbus Councils discourage any home corporation or home association, with which they are affiliated, from permitting its property to be used to perform marriages;

**Be It Further Resolved** that the Louisiana State Council forward copies of this resolution to the Bishops of Louisiana;

**Be It Further Resolved** that the Louisiana State Council submits this Resolution at the 128<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Supreme Council seeking support and endorsement of all other jurisdictions to discourage the permitting of Council homes to be used to perform marriages.

The resolution refers to all marriages, but our big concern is marriages that violate Church law. The most common problems are a marriage involving a Catholic that is performed by a judge or justice of the peace and a marriage involving a Catholic, whose previous marriage has not been declared a nullity. By allowing such marriages in council homes, the council is in effect telling the public that they support these marriages. As knights we are committed to Christian marriages. To live this commitment we need to implement this resolution in all council homes.

Some knights have questioned whether this resolution improperly discriminates. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, gender or national origin. Persons are allowed to rent the property regardless of their race, color, creed, gender or national origin. The resolution simply prohibits certain activities.

To assist you in determining if the rental will involve unacceptable activity, you may include in your rental contract a blank to fill in the purpose of the rental. To help avoid problems with unacceptable activity, you may include a phrase in bold print immediately below the purpose blank, saying: "Lessee shall not conduct nor allow any activities on the premises which violate city, parish or state laws or the laws or teaching of the Catholic Church."



#### John Boudreaux State Secretary jfboudreaux@yahoo.com

Per Capita funds are coming in, thank you very much. As I stated at KCLS, Per Capita does not need to be voted upon, the bill is due upon receipt, so please send the payment as soon as possible. This year's KCLS was a huge success, we changed the format somewhat and I am very happy with the results. I hope that everyone in attendance received valuable information and will use this information to operate their councils to a very successful year. Membership is always a very important part of each fraternal year. It is our responsibility to perpetuate our beloved Order, in the same way that brother knights before us perpetuated our Order. Our Welcome Back Program is a great way to help in this endeavor. Lee Allen Simon can help you with thousands of prospects, especially inactive members. When you reinstate an inactive member your council receives credit for a new member and an insurance member, so it is a double whammy. Uncle Paul sends out emails filled with membership information, if you need any assistance with membership send Uncle Paul an email or give him a call. You should have started planning for your first membership drive; hopefully you will have at least another

membership drive next year. Every council is encouraged to recruit at least one member this fraternal year, please don't fall into the category of councils that did not recruit at least one member. Ask someone to join the KC's and give Lee Allen Simon a call or email and bring back brother knights. Our State Softball Tournament is rapidly approaching, then the State Golf Tournament, and so on. You know way in advance about the State Events, so please participate in as many as possible. Finally, our Squires are beginning to grow and they need your help. Young men in your area are looking for something to do, something spiritual. The Squires is a perfect way to encourage our youth to follow Christ, then at the age of 18 join the Knights of Columbus.

God bless you and your families, please pray for our sick and distressed brothers, we have many that are suffering from illness, surgery, and many other situations. Sadly I am aware of quite a few brothers in this situation and pray for them daily, please join in and pray for our brothers.

Vivat Jesus

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



State Officers Elected for the 2010-2011 Columbian Year are: (Standing L-R) State Advocate Judge Paul deMahy, State Secretary John Boudreaux, State Deputy Ronnie Boudreaux and State Treasurer Vernon Ducote. (Seated L-R) are: State Warden James Riente, State Chaplain, Msgr. Joseph Susi and Immediate Past State Deputy Ben Davidson.

## State Deputy Report

which was very nice.

I can say that the State Deputy Meetings are well planned. I was kept busy during the day with meetings, while the ladies are treated with tours and luncheons. During the evenings they usually have dinners and functions for both of us.

#### STATE FAMILY MEETINGS

We have streamlined the State Family Meetings to make them more informative, interesting and shorter.

Our Summer State Family Meeting was held in Sulphur, Louisiana on June 26, 27 & 28, 2009. The Meetings included a training session for our District Deputies and the Membership and Programs for the year were presented. At the Luncheon the Certificates and ribbons were presented to the new District Deputies and Area Coordinators. The Mass, Installation of the Officers, District Deputies and Area Coordinators and Banquet were held at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Church. We were honored to have our Supreme Treasurer Jack O'Reilly to speak to us at our Meeting and at the Banquet

The Winter State Family Meeting was held in Alexandria on December 4, 5 & 6, 2009. At this meeting, we joined the membership and program sessions together to show that they work as one. Our goal was to show how programs develop new members and how the membership aids the programs. We stressed the goals for the balance of the year in membership and programs. The luncheon and Banquet was held at the hotel. The Mass was held at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LEADERSHIP SEMINARS

The Knights of Columbus Seminars were held on the weekend of July 18 & 19, 2009. On Saturday July 18 we met in Geismar, Louisiana and on Sunday July 19 we met in Natchitoches, Louisiana. These Seminars are a training session for the Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries, Program and Membership Directors. We have tried to improve these sessions to be more informative and meaningful to the different Officers and Directors. The morning session was of general information that was beneficial to all. After lunch they had breakout sessions for each group. The KCLS was well attended and received.

#### **GRAND KNIGHTS DAY**

Grand Knights Day was held on January 31, 2010 in Lafayette, Louisiana. The Day started with a State Gumbo Cook-off of the Area Cookoff winners. For lunch we enjoyed the delicious Gumbo. The business session was for the Grand Knights, Membership, Program and Youth Directors. They were given information about the State Convention, update of the Membership and Programs, and our Internet. We showed how Programs help Membership and Programs need Membership. The Parade of Councils is to promote the Youth Expansion Program. The Parade of Councils was revised this year. The Parade was conducted using our computer and projecting the donations on the screen. A special thanks to Robert Boudreaux and James Riente in putting this presentation together. This

saved a lot of time and everyone could see what the different Councils had donated to promote the Youth Expansion Program. We received over \$80,000.00. We had a good attendance and the program was well received.

#### SUPREME CONVENTION

The 127 Supreme Convention was held on August 3, 4, 5 & 6, 2009 in Phoenix, Arizona. Most of the Delegates arrived on August 1 or 2 before the Convention to do some sight seeing. We had 10 Delegates, 4 guests and 4 wives. We had our Open House on Monday August 1 in the Afternoon. We had King Cake, Hurricanes and Beads for all of our guests. We had over 600 guests that came by our Open House. It was enjoyed by all. Everyone enjoyed the Masses and States Banquet. Our State Dinner was on Wednesday and enjoyed by all. At the business sessions we heard our Supreme Knights remarks on the good of the Order and his goals and programs for the next year. Some of our members stayed August 6, 7 & 8 for the Marian Congress on Our Lady of Guadalupe. This included several programs, film and Masses. It was very interesting and very informative.

#### PROGRAMS

I wish to thank Tim Boudreaux for his hard work in coordinating all of the different Program Chairmen. We have mixed the program and membership presentations together to show how our membership depends on the programs and how the membership depends on good programs. The goal of our Pro-



gram Group was to show how programs help develop new members for our Councils. The combining of the two programs has been successful and we have received many favorable comments. We have suggested that the different Chairmen make their talks interesting, short, not read and show how the program will attract new members.

#### ACOMPANO RAFFLE

This year the Acompano Raffle was revised and under Chairman Stephen Hart, we were able to donate \$29,000 to the Seminarians. This was an increase of \$12,000 from last year. It was decided to do away with the cash prizes and to give set prizes. It was also decided to omit any Council reimbursement, as the raffle was to raise funds to support the Mission Trip for the Seminarians. My thanks to Stephen Hart, Chairman, for his successful efforts in promoting this Program.

CATHOLIC YOUTH LEADER-SHIP AWARDS

The Catholic Youth Leadership Award program is one of our most successful programs that the State can be proud of. Our CYLA Program recognizes the achievements of the Catholic High School Seniors. The Councils select their boy and girl winners and they then advance to the Area Competition. The twelve Areas select there winners for the State Finals. The 24 finalists are each given \$500 as an Area winner. The Third Place winners receive \$2,000, the Second Place winners receive \$3,000 and the First place winners receive \$4,000 for a total of \$30,000. It is a pleasure to meet these young Men and

Women; they would make a parent proud. Joel Ocmand and his committee of Judges are to be commended for the great job they did to make it a success.

#### **COLUMBIAN SQUIRES**

Marvin Guillot, our State Squires Chairman, continues to lead our Columbian Squires. The State Squires have increased their membership from 284 to 361 an increase of 77. They have formed 4 new circles this year and have several more Councils that are interested in forming a circle. A special thanks to Marvin, the State Prior and his committee for their leadership and spiritual guidance that is provided to these young boys in our Squires Circles.

MENTALLY DISABLED FUND RAISER

Lloyd Meyers, Chairman of the annual fund raising Campaign for the Mentally Disabled has once again been successful. He had set a goal of \$300,000, as of March 31, 2010, 134 Councils have raised a total of \$351,450.32. Yes, the Louisiana Knights do show "An Act of Love and Hope for God's Special Citizens." Our Thanks to Lloyd and the Councils that supported this Program.

YOUTH EXPANSION PRO-GRAM

We thank James Riente, YEP Chairman for his tireless efforts in promoting the Youth Expansion Program. Our many State Youth Programs depend on the donations from the Councils for support. A few of these programs are the C.Y.L.A., the Catholic Student Centers, Vocations Programs, Columbian Squires, Camp Joshua, Youth Retreats, Free Throw Competition and other youth programs. As of April 15, 2010 we have raised over \$123,200.00.

OTHER SERVICE PRO-GRAMS

I would be remiss if I failed to continued on page 12

### **Career Opportunities**

Available with Knights of Columbus

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

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

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#### Lloyd Meyers M.D.F. Chairman Ijmebm@cox.net

It is that time of year the Mental Disability Fund Drive, helping citizens to help themselves. Yes, this is what each council should be doing, and what a great feeling you have when you take the time to have a fund drive. You can then take pride in what your council has done in Helping God's Special Citizens. Thanks for all you do.





Paul Briley Family Life Director plspete@charter.net

#### from the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines Family as, "A man and a woman united in marriage, together with their children". In creating man and woman, God instituted the human family and endowed it with its fundamental constitution. Its members are persons equal in dignity.

The Christian family constitutes a specific revelation and realization of ecclesial communion, and for this reason it can and should be called a *domestic church*. It is a community of faith, hope, and charity; it assumes singular importance in the Church, as is evident in the New Testament. The Christian family is a communion of persons, a sign and image of the communion of the Father and the Son in the Holy Spirit. In the procreation and education of children it reflects the Father's work of creation. It is called to par-

take of the prayer and sacrifice of Christ. Daily prayer and the reading of the Word of God strengthen it in charity. The Christian family has an evangelizing and missionary task.

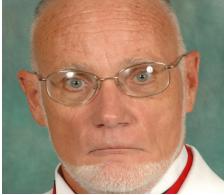
The family is the *original cell of* social life. It is the natural society in which husband and wife are called to give themselves in love and in the gift of life. Authority, stability, and a life of relationships within the family constitute the foundations for freedom, security, and fraternity within society. The family is the community in which, from childhood, one can learn moral values, begin to honor God, and make good use of freedom. Family life is an initiation into life in society. The family should live in such a way that its members learn to care and take responsibility for the young, the old, the sick, the handicapped, and the poor.

The family must be helped and defended by appropriate social measures. Where families cannot fulfill their responsibilities, other social bodies have the duty of helping them and of supporting the institution of the family.

The importance of the family for the life and well-being of society entails a particular responsibility for society to support and strengthen marriage and the family. Civil authority should consider it a grave duty "to acknowledge the true nature of marriage and the family, to protect and foster them, to safeguard public morality, and promote domestic prosperity.

VIVAT JESUS





#### Paul McKeough Marian Devotion Chairman paulmckeough@cox.net

Marian Devotion is at the core of our commitment as Knights of Columbus starting with our First Degree Exemplification. At that time we received a Rosary of Our Blessed Mother, and we were urged to always carry it with us and pray it whenever possible. The medal that joins the decades of the Rosary typically has on one side the emblem of our order and on the other an image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In the tradition of knights, we pledge to uphold Her honor while she commits to support us through intercession with Her Divine Son.

Last August 2009, the Supreme Council adopted a resolution on Marian Devotion and then celebrated the first International Marian Congress. At this time the order of the Knights of Columbus recommitted itself to Mary under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe. If we go to the Knights of Columbus website, we can read of this recommitment to carrying out our duty and opportunity to be closely linked to Christ as we contemplate with Mary the mysteries of the Gospel and pray for Mary's intercession in our needs, the needs of our families, and the needs of the whole world against the forces of evil.

The resolutions adopted at last

year's Supreme Convention call for all knights to renew and deepen, in fellowship with each other, our fealty to Mary our Mother through prayer, especially through her Rosary. We are urged to call on Mary to unite us with Christ and to guide us as we participate in our council activities, even as our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI has urged the universal Church. We call upon Mary to guide all of our works and to give testimony to the Culture of Life.

Consistent with the resolutions adopted by the leaders of our order convened in Phoenix, Arizona, last year, our State Deputy initiated a program to provide ikons of Our Lady of Guadalupe within each area of our state program. In the past years, a State Coordinator of the Marian Hour of Prayer developed the schedules for presentation of the Marian ikon throughout the areas and districts. As of 2010, our State Deputy has decentralized this program so that the State Marian Program chairman and the area coordinators, working with their district deputies and grand knights, can better control the accessibility of these ikons and have them more readily available as opportunities for witness and testimony present themselves.

To review the progress of this program for the past year and verify the location of the Guadalupe ikons, we need to communicate with each other. To achieve this objective, I will be reviewing with each area coordinator, assisting where possible, to be sure that these ikons are still in circulation and to respond to other questions about this program.

However, to fully implement the program as resolved in last year's Supreme Convention and to carry out the goals for this program that have been developed in coordination with our State Family, we need to consider how we can more effectively and continually draw on the intercessory powers of Our Blessed Mother.

Specifically, area coordinators, district deputies, grand knights and all of our brother knights are encouraged to consider new, specific ways in which we can extend our current Marian Devotion in our families, with our youth, in our councils, parishes and communities and through our ProLife activities. Drawing creatively on the resources of our brother knights and the programs developed by knights across Louisiana, we can become a powerful instrument of witness and of prayer. Whether it be the Rosary before a council meeting or at a Quarterly Communion Service, a short prayer before and after our specific programs, praying to Mary, our Mother, with the elderly, infirm, and others to whom we reach out in our ministries, we can become a stronger force for witnessing to Mary, Patroness of the Unborn, Star of the New World, Mother of the Civilization of Love, and, as Pope John Paul II has said, the Marian heart of America on this Conti-

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mention the other Service Programs. I can not thank them enough for their service, time and dedication that they have given to the Louisiana State Council for the promotion of their Programs.

Bishop's Program, Promoted the needs of the Bishop's of our Dioceses, Gus Agosto, Chairman.

Camp Joshua, Coordinated a successful Pro-Life Camp in Baton Rouge and added another Camp in Lake Charles for the Youth. Vince Whittington, Chairman.

Church Activity & Tomb of the Unborn, Coordinated all of Church Activities and promoted the Tombs of the Unborn, Deacon Rickey Picard, Director.

Community Activity. Health & Human Needs & Retreats, Promoted the Community and Health & Human Needs Activities and Organized the State Retreat, Donald Ducote, Director.

Council Activity, Coordinated all of the Athletic Events and Council Functions, Ralph Comeaux, Director.

Ethnic Development, Promoted Ethnic Councils & Programs, Vicen Alvarez, Chairman.

Eucharistic Congress, Promotion of Eucharistic Congress, Edmond Twohig, Chairman.

Family Activity, Promoted Family of the Month and Year Programs and Family Activities, Cliston Guillot, Director.

Greco Foundation, Promotion of the Memorial Cards for Deceased Members, David Bakeler, President of Foundation. License Plates, Promote Louisiana License Plates & sale of shirts & pins, Keith Lawson, Chairman.

Marion Hour of Prayer & McGivney Guild, Coordinated The Marion Hour and Promoted the McGivney Guild, Paul McKeough, Chairman.

Photographer, Recorded pictures of our State Events, Ronald Lachica.

Pro-Life, Promoted and informed the State of Pro-Life Issues, Peter & Ednamae Saduc, Chair couple.

St. Mary's, Promotion of Msgr. Susi Cottage at St. Mary's, Joey Cooper, Chairman.

Scouting, Promotion of Scouting Functions & Programs, Darryl B a r rios, Chairman.

Special Olympics, Encourage Participation and Promotion of Special Olympics, Jerry LaSalle, Chairman.

Vocations, Promotion of Vocation Programs, such as RSVP, Stephen Hart, Chairman.

Youth Activities, Coordinating and Promoting the State Youth Activities, Delmas Forbes, Director.

I don't want to short change any of the above Directors and Chairmen with a short comment, as they have all played an important part in our Service Programs this year and I appreciate and Thank You for what you have done.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Our dedicated Membership Director Paul Gagnet has led and encouraged our members to go out and recruit new members. The continued life of our Order in Louisiana is the growth of our membership. This year Supreme set our Membership Goal at 1,600. We have reached 62% of our quota. With Paul's Leadership I think we have a good chance of making our Quota. I thank "Uncle Paul" for the Challenges that he gives on his Brag Board to promote Membership.

NEW COUNCIL DEVELOP-MENT & REACTIVATION

New Councils are an important part in the growth of our State Council. Russell Ruh Chairman has actively perused areas for new Councils. He has been able to establish two New Councils this year. We added one in Kenner, Louisiana, Devine Mercy Council #14822, Henry Sobon, District Deputy #5. The other New Council was in Lake Charles, Louisiana, St. Martin de Porres Council #15006.Peter Snatic, District Deputy #50. We will most likely have a New College Council at LSU before the Fraternal year is over. Our Chairman and the District Deputies are working several other areas for additional Councils.

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This year we felt that we needed to reduce the number of suspended Councils that we had in the state. We had 35 suspended Councils when we started and we have reduced that number to 21 Councils. The 35 suspended Councils had 1,518 members and by the merging of Councils we have reduced the total number of members to 938. We continue to work on the remaining Councils. I thank the District Deputies of those Councils, our Membership Director and our Supreme Treasurer Jack O'Reilly for their assistance. Most of these Councils were in the storm area and through the efforts of Jack O'Reilly the loss of members did not hurt our Membership totals, but the loss did affect our state's total. We were at 34,384 at the start of 2009 and thru 91/2 months our total membership is 33.914.

#### **ROUND TABLE**

Our Round table Chairman, Roland Leleux's, goal is to promote a Round Table, in all Parishes without a Council. This will make these Parishes aware of the Knights of Columbus and can promote our membership.

#### WELCOME BACK

This is a new program that has been started to "Welcome Back" our Brother Knights that have been suspended or a withdrawn and invite them to come back. Chairman Lee Allen Simon and his Committee have contacted these members and have been able to bring many of them back to an active status

#### RETENTION

I thank Retention Chairman David Lemaire for his efforts. This is a thankless job that is hard to show improvement. We are still losing more members than I would like, but without the Councils support, it is hard to keep them. We need to promote active participation of our members for Councils to retain our members.

#### CEREMONIALS

Our Ceremonials Team has done a Professional job in conducting our Degrees this year. Our thanks to Cliff McCain and Robert Donlon, Co-Chairmen, for their time and efforts in coordinating the Major Degrees. A special thanks to the Degree teams for the great job that they have done this year.

#### INSURANCE

Our Knights of Columbus Insurance program is a major portion of our Membership Program. Thru the effort of our Insurance force they are able to promote membership in our Order. We thank our three General Agents, Terry Kennedy, Scott Willis and Kirk Duplantis and their Staffs. They provide a service and the promotion of our State Knights of Columbus for which we are grateful.

#### AREA COORDINATORS & DISTRICT DEPUTIES

A special thanks to our Area Coordinators and our District Deputies. They are our link from Supreme, State Officers and Directors to the Councils in our promotion of our Programs and Membership. We have to depend on these Brother Knights to visit their Councils and encourage them to exceed in all categories. We have a number of A.Cs and D.Ds that have done an excellent job.

#### STATE WEB PAGE AND WEBMASTER

We thank Lee Roy Cates for his time and dedication to produce the Web Page. Our Web page is an important link for our members to gain Information, News and Forms. The Web Page has been an invalvable asset for the Louisiana Knights of Columbus.

#### STATE CHAPLAIN

The Louisiana Knights of Columbus are truly blessed to have Msgr. Joseph Susi as our State Chaplain and Msgr. Carson Lacaze as our Assistant State Chaplain. Our State has benefited by their guidance and spiritual leadership. They are dedicated as our Chaplains and have always been able to attend our Functions. We are honored to have these two men of God to lead us spiritually.

#### FOURTH DEGREE

Our Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus are the Patriotic and visible branch of our Order of which we can all be proud. We are thankful for their dedicated leader and Master, Gerald Thomas. It has been a pleasure to work with our Master and to promote the goals of our Order. I thank the Master and the members of the Fourth Degree for their Color Guards at our meetings and their continued support of the State K. of C. Programs.



#### FINANCIAL SECRETARY AS-SOCIATION

The Financial Secretaries Association under the leadership of President Keith Gautreau take a major role in our states membership program. They are the link to the Supreme Council and are trained to use the most recent computer programs. The Financial Secretary is one of the people that can make a Council a success.

#### LOUISIAN LADIES AUXIL-IARY ASSOCIATION

The State Council has enjoyed a nice relationship with the Ladies Auxiliary. It has been a pleasure working with Kathleen Montgomery, President. I installed their Officers. The Ladies Auxiliaries and their Council Auxiliaries have been very supportive of our Councils. I believe that a supportive wife can make a better Knight. We are glad that we have been able to function and cooperate with each other.



2010 K.C. Sports Calendar					
Aug 14-15	State Softball				
	Carencro				
Sept 11	State Horseshoe				
	Patterson				
Sept 24-26	State Golf				
	Lafayette				
Nov 6	State Nine Ball				
	Lafayette				

#### STATE OFFICE

I have been extremely happy with our State Office Administrator, Robert Boudreaux, and his Secretary, Susan Camel for the support that they have given me and our State Officers. Our State Office has been a blessing for me, as they have done everything that I have asked them to do. They have reminded me of letters and notices that needed to be sent, published the Louisiana Knight and many other chores.

With the rising cost of the State Office, the State Officers decided to take over the accounting and writing of all checks. We have been able to monitor the cash flow. Robert has been very supportive and helpful in helping us to reduce the operating cost of the office. We have been successful in reducing the budgeted cost and are continuing to monitor the figures each month.

As State Deputy, I can't thank Robert and Susan enough for all of their help and assistance.

#### COMMENTS

The past two years I have been blessed to have a dedicated team that has supported me. We have encountered a number of problems that we had not foreseen. When checking the State By-laws we found that the State Finance Officers were to handle all funds concerning State council. In addition to the State Council account, we have done all of the accounting and writing of checks for the State Office, Mental Disability Fund and the State Convention. We have had to cover all the expenses and prizes for the State run Athletic Events. Now, the State Finance Officers have to maintain books on General Fund, Yep, YEP Fund Raiser, Acompano Program, Exemplification Fund, Trust, MDF Program, State Office and State Convention. This is a pretty good size job for 3 Elected State officers to accomplish. It is like running a good sized business. We have had to learn how to handle all of the different accounts, but we feel we have done that.

To save money for the State Council we have placed the State Convention Proceeding on a disc. To further save funds we have reduced some of the trophies that are presented at the convention.

We have been able to start several new programs. The Top Area Coordinator, Top District Deputy and the Top Area Council Awards. Each of the winners was given a watch. The "Welcome Back" Program as described above is another program that has been started. I started the S. D. Notes, a monthly newsletter to help keep our Councils and State Family informed of coming functions and events.

I had hoped to publish a version of the Louisiana Knight for all of our members. I could not find an inexpensive way to print and mail the paper. The Louisiana Knight is on our Web Page. We are looking at the mailing it by e-mail to all members with an e-mail address.

#### CONCLUSION

My year as your State Deputy has been Challenging, Gratifying, Enjoyable and Rewarding. This Administration has

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had a number of Challenges and we were able to face and resolve them. It is always Gratifying when you see a New or Revised Function or Program succeed. I have attended many Functions this past year that were Enjoyable. It is very Rewarding when you reach a goal or see a new Council being Installed.

I want to thank my dedicated Team of Elected Officers, Ronnie Boudreaux, John Boudreaux, Paul deMahy and Vernon Ducote, for helping me through this year. My fellow officers have been committed to our goals and more than willing to give up their time.

Thanks to my Membership and Program Directors and the Chairmen for their time and dedication to promote our Programs and Membership.

I have been very fortunate to have the support and advice of our Past State Deputies.

I appreciate the many invitations and warm hospitality extended to me. I regret that I was not able to accept many of them, due to other commitments, church, or family obligations.

After I lost the Love of my life, I asked my children if I should resign as State Deputy. They all said that Mother would want me to continue. I have been grateful for the love and support that the Councils and membership have given me this year. I missed her on my many trips and functions, but I know she has been watching over me. I am a little biased, but Emma was the perfect First Lady for the Louisiana Knights of Columbus. She always made everyone feel welcome by greeting them, actively participated at functions and worked tirelessly behind the scenes to secure every thing ran smoothly. I hope her attitude inspires other first ladies to reach out to others to make them feel part of the KC Family. May God bless her. I would like to dedicate any success that I might have this year to Emma.

It has been an honor to serve as your State Deputy and I will have many fond memories that will last a lifetime. Remember to always "SMILE." I want to thank you all for making the Louisiana Knights of Columbus one of the best in the country. May God Bless and Keep you always.

VIVAT JESUS!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Ber Davidson State Deputy



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nent of Hope and Life, and "a prophetic voice against the culture of death."

As the year progresses, I urge our brother knights to plan, carry out, record, report, and publicize these activities of Marian Devotion, including those activities in your annual "Activity Reports." For example, those councils who participate in the Silver Rose program this year or have short prayer time before competitive activities, or carry the story of Mary into our communities in support of the Culture of Life should not only take credit for these activities, but also share them through the media in your communities.

Through your example, may others come to Jesus through Mary; may your work be fruitful and multiply; and may the workers in the Lord's vineyards increase and be productive through your efforts. However I may be able to help, don't hesitate to ask.

Vivat Jesus—per Mariam.



# Good of the Order

To: The Officers and Members of the 105th Annual Meeting of the Louisiana State Council held in Lafayette, La.

Your committee on the Good of the Order met on Saturday, May 1, 2010, and fully discussed at length the following activity areas. After due deliberation, the committee urges all council, district and state leaders to see that the following recommendations are fully implemented.

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

FIRST AND FOREMOST WE ARE CATHOLIC

The committee recommends the recitation of the Serran Prayer for Vocations at each council meeting and that



the council chaplain should encourage the recitation of this prayer at all Masses. The committee further recommends that a prayer be offered at each council meeting for the beatification of our founder Father Michael J. McGivney. The council chaplain should be encouraged to be actively involved in council activities. In the absence of the council Chaplain, a deacon shall be asked to bring the message of our faith. The committee urges all councils to participate in the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). Each council should consider sponsoring a speaker on vocations to the various parochial schools. Recognizing that some clergy may still be apprehensive to Knights of Columbus involvement, the committee recommends each council strongly consider implementation of the Parish Round Table Program and thus show evidence of our belief that VOCA-TIONS ARE OUR BUSINESS and that each Grand Knight has a dialogue with each Pastor of churches in his council area. Each council should consider having a speaker on evangelization, to encourage each member to promote the Catholic faith to non-Catholics, and to help fallen-away Catholics to become again active in the Church. One way this can be done effectively is by supporting evangelization through the RCIA program.

#### PRO-LIFE

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

The committee also recommends that councils become involved with local Right-To-Life organizations by way of participating in their events and getting on their mailing lists. The committee urges use of material available to them from the Supreme Council pertaining to Pro-Life. The committee also urges members to fight pornography at the council, family and school levels. The committee further recommends that the State Council provide updated information of current Federal and State legislation on Pro-Life and Euthanasia.

Each council appoints a Pro-Life Chairman or Chair-Couple. Each



#### George Martin Squires Chairman lastatesquireschairman@yahoo.com

Most Reverend Clergy Members, Worthy State Officers, Worthy State Family Members, and Brother Knights this is a new beginning for our Louisiana State Columbian Squires Program. Marvin Guillot has been our State Chairman for the last 14 years for the Squires. I ask of you to thank him for a job well done and hope I can make a difference with this program as he has. I am George Martin who is taking over for Mr. Marvin as State Chairman for this fraternal year. I have been involved with the Scouting program for over 17 years, including my time as a Cub Scout and Boy Scout. I have coached little league ball off and on. I have been involved with the Squires Program the last 7 years as a Chief Counselor and 6 years as a Committee Member. I want to thank the State Officers and State Program director for letting me become the State Chairman. I hope to make a difference in increasing the participation from our Squire Circles, Squires, and above all the members of the Knights of Columbus.

There will be peaks and valleys that we must cross on the road to success, but with your help we can achieve our goals and help mold the young mind

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#### Gerard Thomas New Council Development Gerard.Thomas@cox.net

My Brother Knights, as we enter the 128<sup>th</sup> year of the founding of the Knights of Columbus we must keep in mind the hope of our founder, Father Michael J. McGivney. That hope was not just some dream not to be attained. He sincerely felt that there could be a Knights of Columbus Council in every church parish. This he saw as a means of real growth for the Order. Growth that he saw as necessary for the success of the order to fulfill its goal of providing a Roman Catholic based society of mutual aid to its members and their families.

As you reflect on your own experiences with the Knights of Columbus, think of all the Catholic men and their families that are missing the opportunity to enjoy what we enjoy in the Or-

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der. A faith based organization to which we belong; social and community based activities which we foster; insurance products that are available to us to secure a better future for us and our families; charitable works that we perform to better our church and community; social issues that we champion for the betterment of our members and society. The list could go on and on. We owe it to our fellow Catholic Brothers to bring the good news and values to them. We owe it to them to talk to them about becoming Knights of Columbus.

A very effective way to grow the Order is to develop new Councils. This is a guaranteed way to bring new men into the Order. Every viable Church Parish can support a Knights of Columbus Council. It just takes the seed to be planted. Father McGivney saw this potential when he urged every pastor in the Diocese of Hartford to "exert your influence in the formation of a council in your parish." A Knights of Columbus Council can be a tremendous asset to the parish priest. This is why it is important to involve him in the formation of new Council in his parish.

To this end, we will soon be asking each District Deputy to contact the pastor of each identified church parish in his District to ascertain if the parish priest would give permission and assist in the formation of a Knights of Columbus Council. This will assist with identifying potential New Council Development parishes in the state. The District Deputy is the key to the success of this program. We ask each District Deputy to please take the necessary time to make the contact and offer the valuable services that a Council can provide to the parish church. Information about this program will be provided to each District Deputy in the near future.

Vivat Jesus.



#### Paul Gagnet Membership Director unclpaul@aol.com

The new Columbian year has begun with a lot of enthusiasm and participation in the area of Membership. We have made a lot of changes to the program this year which I believe will enhance our recruiting efforts. Since the implementation of the new Membership accountability procedure we are up 12% in newly initiated brothers in the month of July over last year. The new program has been welcomed by just about everyone who learns of it. What we have done is removed membership and insurance from the State Deputy Award points program. Added are Pro-life and Special Olympics to the scoring. We have made the Membership year and the Supreme year congruent. This means that your council will always know where its stands during the year. There will be no more confusion concerning the three month "dead zone" between convention and the Supreme Columbian year. Your monthly report card from Supreme will be reflective of your standings. We are formulating the Membership Recruitment, Retention, and Reactivation reward program. Hopefully we can roll it out shortly. The bottom line is to fill up your councils with as many new Brother Knights as you can. Do not restrict yourself by the quota. Recruit

like you are behind by 10. INTAKE is the word! STAR COUNCIL IS THE REWARD!

Speaking of 10 did you know that our own Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight, has completed his 10<sup>th</sup> year at the Helm. To celebrate this momentous occasion he has implemented the "ANNIVERSARY OF THE SU-PREME KNIGHT MEMBERSHIP AWARD" How do you win it you ask? Simple, you must recruit 10 new members from July 1, 2010 till December 31, 2010. What counts you ask?

1. New Members 2. Reapplication 3. Readmission & 4. Reinstatement. Be sure to complete the form 100 with your name as a proposer and your membership number. Supreme will do the rest. The reward is a beautiful commemorative pin. Let's have a bunch of winners.

#### THE SURGE TO PURGE

If there is anyone who hates to lose even one Brother Knight it is me. However our rosters are burdened with "members" who one, are deceased, two unable to be located, three should have been suspended for not keeping their dues current as outlined in the First Degree. I found one Brother who if the records are correct is 116 years old. After googling him I learned that he has passed in 1989. Still listed as an associate member means that this council has been paying percapita for a long long time. Another area to be vigilant in is that of Honorary and Honorary Life members. Honorary, 25 consecutive years and having reached age 65 or Honorary Life, 25 years of service and having reached 70 years of age. Its your money brothers. Let's really make an effort to get our rosters cleaned up. Follow procedure, abide by the rules and just do right things right. Print a copy of your roster and ask your

brothers at your next meeting if they know of any of the missing, suspended, inactive, or deceased Brother Knights. How about inactive brothers. They are brothers who still have insurance policies but are not active. Supreme reports that it cost more to be an inactive brother than to be a dues paying brother if you have KC Insurance. It comes right out of your premium. Sign back up today.

Thank you again so much for allowing me to be of service to the State again. I am looking forward to two more years of pushing for New Brothers wherever there are Catholic Families.

Vivat Jesus





Co#	Location	<u>Quota</u>	<u>NET</u>	Co#	Location	Quota	<u>NET</u>
0714	New Orleans	3	0	3068	New Orleans	7	0
0969	Baton Rouge	8	0	3088	Hessmer	4	0
0970	Plaquemine	19	0	3091	Westwego	9	1
1087	Donaldsonville	12	1	3150	Cut Off	15	0
1099	Napoleonville	19	0	3200	Alexandria	6	0
1108	Shreveport	7	0	3202	Lafayette	10	0
1114 1134	Thibodaux Alexandria	29 10	0 0	3208 3246	Lake Charles New Orleans	9 8	1 0
1154	Opelousas	4	0	3298	Baton Rouge	8 9	-1
1175	Cottonport	4	0	3331	Baton Rouge	9 7	-1 0
1208	New Iberia	6	2	3353	Oberlin	5	0
1217	Marksville	11	-1	3356	Cecilia	3	1
1276	St. Martinville	8	0	3399	Krotz Springs	3	0
1286	Lafayette	7	0	3407	Shreveport	12	0
1317	Houma	12	0	3409	Opelousas	8	0
1337	Monroe	8	6	3411	New Orleans	5	0
1357	Natchitoches	15	0	3425	New Iberia	8	0
1373	Morgan City	6	3	3465	Metairie	3	0
1420	Franklin	5	0	3470	Lafayette	6	0
1425	Jeanerette	5	0	3475	Elton	3	0
1437	New Orleans Vacherie	17	0	3496	Port Barre	8 7	0
1514 1710	Patterson	15 13	0 0	3528 3534	Kenner Oakdale	4	0 0
1710	Algiers	13	0	3621	Arnaudville	4	0
1724	Eunice	5	0	3622	Moss Bluff	10	0
1745	Ville Platte	6	0	3634	Norco	16	0
1817	Gramercy	16	1	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	2	3743	Baton Rouge	7	0
1988	Washington	3	0	3779	Shreveport	13	2
1998	New Roads	4	0	3796	St Gabriel	7	0
2012	Jennings	11	2	3854	Harahan	8	0
2142	Plaucheville	4	0	3857	DeRidder	9	0
2150	Morganza	5	0	3870	Duson	3	0
2281	Abbeville	17	0	3872	Erath	13	0
2395	Bunkie	7	0	3923	Jefferson	4	0
2398	Breaux Bridge	10	0	4010	Mansura	9	0
2409	Luling	16	0	4023	Leonville	7	0
2432 2436	Mansfield Reserve	3 9	0 0	4030 4085	Baton Rouge Baker	19 7	0 0
2430	Church Point	8	0	4085	Minden	3	0
2657	Prairieville	17	0	4156	Leesville	11	0
2675	Mamou	4	0	4222	Marrero	9	0
2732	Slidell	13	-2	4309	Centerville	9	0
2807	Baton Rouge	15	0	4346	White Castle	5	0
2855	Welsh	10	0	4508	Metairie	5	0
2875	Port Allen	9	0	4547	New Orleans	3	1
2878	Metairie	10	4	4562	Lake Charles	20	0
2893	Kinder	6	0	4663	Metairie	8	4
2913	Kaplan	9	-2	4676	Loreauville	5	0
2925	New Orleans	6	0	4683	Lafayette	6	0
2952	Hammond	25	1	4761	Raceland	8	0
2972	Moreauville	4	0	4787	Hathaway	7	0
2982	Iota	3	0	4791	Estherwood	11	0
3006	Iowa	8	0	4818	Zwolle	3	0
3012	Lake Arthur	8	0	4873	Bossier City	19 12	4
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3048	Bell City	12 10	0	4900	Parks	4 5	0
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3061	Covington	8	1	5048	Pine Prairie	5	0
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5084	Chataignier	3	0	8703	Port Sulphur	4	0	10745	Cankton	5	0
5111	New Iberia	9	0	8743	Chackbay	8	3	10800	Kraemer	6	2
5166	Delcambre	7	0	8770	Maurice	7	0	10824	Ruston	3	0
5301	Metairie	3	0	8779	Theriot	14	0	10902	Lydia	3	0
5345	Lafayette	3	0	8805	DeQuincy	3	0	10911	Amite	4	0
5352	Pierre Part	6	0	8840	Mathews	12	0	10912	Hammond	3	0
5461	Cameron	3	0	8843	Leroy	5	0	11060	Tickfaw	3	0
5499	Crowley	15	1	8861	Shreveport	4	0	11061	Labadieville	7	0
5530	Baton Rouge	9	1	8878	Lakeland	7	0	11096	Coteau Holmes	3	0
5532	Lawtell	8	0	8898	Larose	13	0	11212	Cow Island	3	-1
5627	Independence	8	0	8901	Lafayette	11	0	11270	Opelousas	7	0
5747	Chalmette	19	0	8906	Thibodaux	5	0	11407	Grand Lake	3	0
5755	Westlake	8	0	8932	Bourg	8	0	11491	Mowata	4	0
5935	Laplace	14	0	8971	Thibodaux	3	0	11576	Hackberry	3	0
6057	Youngsville	13	0	8978	North Sulphur	11	0	11792	New Iberia	4	0
6103	Vinton	9	1	9000	Golden Meadow	11	0	11814	Pearl River	4	1
6170	Houma	9	0	9007	Metairie	5	0	11857	Vacherie	8	0
6211	Bayou Vista	5	0	9016	Baton Rouge	8	1	12060	Thibodaux	5	0
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6369	Avondale	3	0	9217	Belle Deau	3	0	12103	Lecompte	4	0
6389	St Amant	9	0	9219	Bayou Pigeon	3	0	12115	New Orleans	4	0
6496	Abbeville	3	0	9240	Mandeville	17	2	12163	Milton	6	1
6531	Baton Rouge	7	0	9247	Baton Rouge	8	0	12179	Morgan City	5	0
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6753	French Settlement	4	0	9281	Lacassine	5	3	12245	Franklinton	5	0
6870	Terrytown	7	2	9294	Echo	4	0	12285	Schriever	6	0
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7050	Rynella	6	0	9418	Fifth Ward	5	1	12997	New Iberia	7	2
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8032	Oak Grove	3	0	10185	Catahoula	5	0	14822	Kenner	8	0
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8342	Prairieville	16	1	10564	Simmesport	3	0			-	
8371	Amelia	5	0	10606	Belle Rose	4	0				
8438	Campti	3	0	10612	Houma	8	2				
8442	Braithwaite	3	0	10613	Baton Rouge	4	0				
8546	Metairie	6	0	10645	Lacombe	4	2				
8583	Morse	3	0	10717	Mermentau	3	0				
8601	Baton Rouge	10	0	10721	Judice	6	1				
8615	Gretna	9	0	10728	Shreveport	4	0				
8616	Pointe Aux Chenes	6	0	10744	-	7	0		7		

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council supports a youth Pro-Life Retreat as sponsored by the State Council. Each council offer a Pro-Life prayer at business meetings.

BISHOP GRECO MEMORIAL FUND

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

The committee also recommends that councils make a voluntary contribution of \$1.00 per member, on an anannual basis, to the Bishop Greco Memorial Fund..

#### RETREATS

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

#### FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

The committee recommends continual family involvement in council activities. The committee also recommends each council have a monthly Family Communion. The committee strongly recommends that widows of deceased council members be included and recognized in every aspect of the council's life and activity. This committee further recommends that the council members make themselves available to provide assistance to widows and receive a copy of the council news letter and provide transportation if needed.

YOUTH EXPANSION PRO-GRAM

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

#### SUBSTANCE ABUSE-HEALTH SERVICES

The committee recommends each council sponsor an educational program on substance abuse by the law enforcement agencies to local junior and senior high schools. The committee urges all Knights to recognize local, state and federal law enforcement agencies. The committee further recommends that councils establish blood donation drives, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training programs and community blood pressure surveys. FRATERNAL MEMBERSHIP-NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT

The committee wishes to compliment the first degree and major degree teams in the Louisiana Jurisdiction for their excellent exemplifications which act as catalysts in encouraging all councils to obtain new, active members. The committee wishes to remind all members that it is our Supreme Council's desire that we have a KC presence in every church parish and that we should aid all efforts to form a new council or a Parish Round Table. It is also recommended that all members proposing new members into our Order assume responsibility for insuring the first-degree member receives his major degree as soon as possible, and remains an active member. Also, we congratulate all councils that sponsor a first degree teams and we strongly recommend that every council make an attempt to establish a team, and that all ceremonials be performed with the proper dignity. The committee recommends that every council make an effort to bring in new members, but that no less effort be expended to retain the members they now have. Council leaders and members should promote patriotism and encourage members of the third degree to join the fourth degree. Councils should make an effort to form and support a Columbian Squires Circle which can be a future source of membership and Ladies Auxiliary. The committee recommends the promoting of young members and make officers and active mem-

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bers promote young ideas. "Turn over the power". Make the KC's a place for young and old to blend and provide babysitters whenever possible. The committee also recommends that all councils send out bulletins monthly or quarterly, and that copies of the bulletin or newsletter be sent to five councils in the state, on a random basis, for the purpose of spreading and stimulating new ideas.

#### **INSURANCE**

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

#### PROTOCOL

The committee recommends that members of the clergy and Knights of Columbus State Family and officers be properly recognized as to their titles or positions at all Knights of Columbus meetings and functions. Also, we remind members of all the important aspects of protocol as explained in the protocol booklet. The committee also recommends that the State Officers reinstate the policy of visiting subordinate councils and protocol be strictly adhered to.

SERVICE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CITIZENS

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

#### SUPPORT OF THE ELDERLY AND INFIRMED

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

#### CONCLUSION

The committee urges all councils to implement to the fullest extent, the foregoing recommendations. In order to obtain the fullest implementation of these recommendations, the committee urges the State Deputy to insure that all councils receive and display a copy of this report, and that a summary of this report be published in the June issue of the LOUISIANA KNIGHT. The committee urges the State Deputy, at the time of appoinment of committee members, to forward along with appointment letter, the previous meeting minutes to all committee members. Also, that a list of committee members with contact information, preferably email addresses, be sent to the chairman of the committee. As a chairman of the Good of the Order committee. I would like to thank all committee members for their attendance, input, and participation at our meeting Friday afternoon. I would also like to thank the State Deputy for the privilege of serving on this committee.



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of a Squire to become the best, smartest, dedicated, vocational minded, and community oriented Catholic Leaders we have seen for years to come. Sounds like an infomercial right? Just like everything else in life, seeing is believing. We can look back 30 years ago and see several young men with aspirations of becoming members of the Knights of Columbus. They took part in state events and local events. Some served as Squires State Officers while they were Squires. Each one of these young men wanting and knowing they can one day make a difference in their churches and communities.

I will give you a few minutes to think about who they are. Some of you may know who they are and some of you are just scratching your heads still trying to figure it out. Well let's start from the top, Past Chief Counselor Ronnie Boudreaux State Deputy, Former Squires John Boudreaux State Secretary, Tim Boudreaux State Program Director and Past Master, and Paul Gisclair President of the Financial Secretary Association are just a few names of the men that saw opportunities to help their church and community. There are many of you out there that were Squires and are now Knights. Help us continue the Squires program and make it better for our future by working with these young men today.

We have several State Squires Events planned for this fraternal year. The softball tournament, which we just completed in Simmsport, LA., Squires Retreat hosted by Prairieville in January, Squires Bowling hosted by New Orleans in February, Squires Olympics hosted by Hammond in March, Squires Family Fun Day hosted by Houma in April, Squires State Convention hosted by Prairieville in June, and possibly a Fishing Tournament in October. We also have a new Squires website that will be up and running in early September. We will be able to put unlimited pictures on the site to show what the squires are doing in their circles and what we are doing at state events. We will also have a new program for the Squires, a Scholarship Program that will be awarded to a high school senior boy that is graduating in the upcoming year.

The Squires are just like the Knights of Columbus, we need programs to recruit members and retain them. We also need members to make the programs work successfully. This leads me into the last, but most important part of my report, new circles and reactivating circles. We need anyone in a Council, that is interested in starting or reactivating a Squires Circle to contact me. If you have at least two Brother Knights and ten boys that are from the ages ten to eighteen years of age, then you are ready to start a Circle. You can combine two or three Councils to support a Squires Circle. Assemblies can sponsor a Squires Circle but, need the Worthy Master to sign off on the paper work. We can also have school based Squire Circles as long as a Council supports the program and provides the leadership for the group. Allow me to leave you with this quote "With a good conscience our sure reward, with history the final judge of our deeds, let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking his blessing and his help. But, knowing that here on Earth, God's work must truly be our own." John F. Kennedy. Vivat Jesus!

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Joshua, a young understudy of Moses and hero of the Old Testament, is known for his character. A quote from Deuteronomy 31 states that Joshua's character was one of bold strength, wisdom and courage.

Camp Joshua Weekends: This year we held 2 weekends of fantastic Pro Life Camps designed to train high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors to be pro-life leaders. On April 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> we had 88 students in Baton Rouge and on April 23rd to 25th there were 46 students in Lake Charles. The weekend consists of many speakers about abortion and other pro life issues. After each presentation the students broke out into small groups with the College Students for discussion. We started each camp on Friday night with an ice breaker and a seminar on Abortion 101. Then Saturday, Abortion 202, "Making Abortion Unthinkable through



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Pro Life Persuasion", "Being a Pro Life Leader", a speech on "Pro Life Chastity", "The Impact of Abortion". The also had a field trip to the State Capital to talk with Pro Life politicians, a dinner and a Saturday night Coffee House party. On Sunday they picked right up with "The Role of Pregnancy Center in the Pro Life Movement", and a seminar about "Transforming Character into Action". Both of these Camp Joshua's were great and I am sure we planted many seeds.

Louisiana Camp Joshua Leadership Institute is a week long camp designed to train high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors to be prolife leaders and activist. The week is designed to instill in them the strength, knowledge, wisdom, tools and courage to go out and proclaim the message of life to their schools, community, how to help Crisis Pregnancy Centers, and how to work towards changing the thoughts of others to be more Pro-life.

The event was held at the Bishop Tracy Center in Baton Rouge from July 11 to 15<sup>th</sup>. There were 22 ambitious students who were very into the activities of the week. We had speakers come in from around the country and 7 college Students for Life to work as group leaders. We also had several Brother Knights from the area to help with airport runs, a couple of meals and chaperones. The week had a variety of talks from the speakers, breaks out into small groups after each speaker with the group leaders for discussion and also hands on activities.

They registered in on Sunday afternoon and started off with introductions and an ice breaker game. Then Dr John Bruchalski, gave a talk on "How you can make a Difference". On Monday they started with another talk on "What is abortion and how does it affect women and men" by Dr John Bruchalski. Then they went in two groups to a Care Pregnancy Center to receive a tour, learn the services and how they can help. They also got to see a sonogram of one of the babies from someone who two weeks ago was contemplating abortion and had a change of heart after visiting the center. Then Monday evenings they had two seminars on Apologetics taught by Steve Wagner.

Tuesday they learned how to do pro life interviews, had talks by the Students for Life of America on "Why Activism is Important", "What difference can you make", "Starting/Growing a pro-life group in you High School and College" and "Organizing Events to Get the Word Out". They went to LSU Free Speech Alley to set up a Pro Life table with literature. At LSU they practiced what they learned and actually did several Pro-Life interviews. As the day went on all the students gained more confidence and really got into it. Some of them believe that they were able to put what they learned to use and may have changed some minds. That evening they had a talk on "The World of Stem Cell Research". After dinner they had a choices panel with options of abortion. We had a person who had an abortion, one who changed her mind and had the baby; had a mother and adopted daughter was going to be aborted. Then that night we watch the movie Bella.

On Wednesday three of the students got up early and went to the Catholic radio station for 45 minutes of interview on Camp Joshua and their experiences. The radio station was super excited by what they heard and gave

great reviews to the Students, about Camp Joshua and what was going on. Then they had a presentation by Maria Graham on "How to be a Sidewalk Counselor". After Lunch they went to one of the Abortion Facilities and practiced sidewalk counseling and prayed outside the clinic. After that they went on a tour of an Abortion Holocaust Memorial. That evening we took them to LSU Sports Complex where Father Andrew Merrick, his brother David and wife gave a presentation on Chastity and Abstinence. Then they went Rock Wall climbing. On Wednesday night they had a Coffee House party with skits of what they learned and of course dancing and fun.

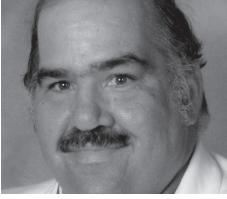
On Thursday morning they had talks from Bobby Schindler on" Understanding End of Life Issues" and "Why Terri's Life Still Matters". We then had a late lunch with Bobby Schindler and the parents of the students. At this luncheon we had a commissioning ceremony and wrap up talks about the camp from me, Ben Clapper and the College group leaders. You know it was a great camp when none of the students wanted it to end and the parents complimented what they had heard from their students. There were several tears of joy from most everyone involved and no one wanted to leave.

In all I must agree with Leo Segalla when he said "the camp exceeded our expectation". What a great Pro-Life week which should produce GREAT fruit.

For more information & photos visit the web site at www.campjoshua.org and click on Leadership Institute.

Viviat Jesus,





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Thanks to all of the Councils who have welcomed and allowed your State Youth Director and other members to recognize some of State Substance Abuse Winners at your Council meetings and socials.

Councils, if you plan to participate in the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge, Substance Abuse Poster Contest or the Free Throw Contest, now is the time to order these programs



kits if your Council has not already done so. Please remember a Council can order more than one of these kits if you anticipate a large number of youth participating in these programs. There are a couple ways a Council can obtain these program kits. There are pages for each of these kits in Council Form Booklet or you can go to the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council website and order these kits. These program kits will provide Councils all the material need to implement these youth programs including: Advertising and Promotion Ideas and Posters, certificates and entry forms.

Councils that are participating in the KC Soccer Challenge are urged to remember that Council Challenge should occur before September 30th. Has your Council set a date, time and location for this event, has your Council created a plan on how you are going to promote your Council Soccer Challenge or how Your Councils plan to try to maximize the participation in this program. Our Soccer Challenge is open to all boys and girls 10-14 years old. Some Councils have chosen to run this program through a local private or public schools through their school PE Classes. Another good source to try to get more young people to participate in this program is to encourage your Council to promote this program through your local Soccer leagues. In addition there are other sources you can use to promote and advertise your local Soccer Challenges and they are: Church Bulletins, Council Bulletins, local newspapers, radio stations and try to encourage Brother Knights of Council to help you recruit their relatives, friends and neighbors who are between the ages of 10-14 years old. Council Soccer Challenges should occur in September.

Very soon your Council may want to consider planning and trying to start implementing your Council KC Substance Abuse Poster Contest. Many schools have members of their staff that are in charge of conducting programs that are designed to encourage their student to remain drug free. Your council may want to consider trying to meet with principals and a member of the staff that are in charge of these drug free programs to discuss the program in an effort to try to encourage the school to participate in this program. Some schools have art programs and you want to try to meet with the administrators to see if the school can try to conduct the Poster Contest through their Art Classes. Over the last several years our state has enjoyed success with the Substance Abuse Poster Contest on an International and Supreme Council level. We hope that success will continue to occur and we encourage all Councils to participate in this very worthwhile program. Council Poster Contests should be finalized by January 31, 2011.

In addition there are many outstanding programs each council can get involved in trying to help the needs of the youth within your Church Parish. All of the programs that involve our youth can not only build a lot excitement within the youth participating in these programs and can lead to additional membership recruitment.

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#### Catholic Scouting on Display in Force

I recently returned from a three week trip to the National Boy Scout Jamboree held at Ft. A.P. Hill in Virginia. Myself and seven other leaders accompanied over 60 Boy Scouts aged 12-17 to this event celebrating the centennial year of Scouting in the United States. In the week prior to the Jamboree, we took the Scouts to Washington, DC. It was truly inspiring to watch the number of Scouts in our nation's capital increase as the week went on. On our first day in DC we ran into a couple of other Scout Troops but by Sunday night Scouts were everywhere! From the Capitol Building

to the Lincoln Memorial the National Mall was wall-to-wall Boy Scouts (Ok...that might be a bit of an exaggeration, but you get the idea). The Scouts that I was accompanying (from the Southeast Louisiana Council) received a grand tour of Washington, including the Capitol Building (did you know that there is a painting of Christopher Columbus in the Rotunda?), the various museums of the Smithsonian Institute, the National Archives, Arlington National Cemetery and an evening tour of the various national monuments and memorials. It was our intent to create a truly memorable experience for these Scouts and I hope that we did.

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#### **EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE**

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

Date	District Deputy	Host Council
08.15.10	D.D. Nulan Moses (53)	Lecompte 12103
09.12.10	D.D. Harry Jones (51)	Sulphur 3015
09.19.10	D.D. Leroy Plaisance (22)	Pierre Part 5352
10.03.10	D.D. Wayne Duhon (31)	New Iberia 12997
10.17.10	D.D. Alvin Dupre (18)	Thibodaux 1114
10.24.10	D.D. Gasper Corpora (12)	Hammond 2952
12.12.10	D.D. Darrell Gonzales (1)	Chalmette 5747



We are requesting continued use of the memorial cards, but to save money we are not placing cards in the Grand Knights packets. The guidelines for the use have not changed and we request that all councils support this program. Every set of cards contains two cards, one to be sent with a donation to our treasurer. Steve Thomas and one to the family of the person to be remembered. We request a donation of twenty five dollars per card use, but we will accept any amount sent. The money earned with each donation is added to the core amount of investments to produce interest that will be used in support of anyone studying for a religious life. You must include the name of the person to be remembered with your donation sent to Brother Steve and a Mass will be offered in their memory.

You may request more cards when your donation is set to Brother Steve or you may call the state office in Lafayette for cards. However, we request that when requesting card, please order only what your council will use. Our goal is to increase our investments so we may grow the amount of support given to our future priests and sisters. We need every council to use the card program or your council can make a donation to the fund without a request for Mass intentions. The Bishop Greco fund continues to grow and more dollars are invested in our church leaders with these efforts.

On behalf of our State Deputy, Ronnie Boudreaux, Foundation Treasurer Steve Thomas, Foundation Secretary John Boudreaux, the Board of Directors and myself as your Chairman, we thank everyone for their support and may God bless every Knight and his family.

Fraternal Yours, David B. Bakeler

Chairman/President Bishop Greco Foundation

### **Mother of Mercy Council 4030, Baton Rouge, Claims Top Supreme Pro-Life Award**

During the recent Supreme Convention in Washington, DC, Mother of Mercy Council 4030, Baton Rouge, Ron Coco, Grand Knight, was recognized with the Number One Pro-Life Award for their determination to curtail abortions through the purchase and utilization of ultrasound machines. The following info describes their May 27 donation and blessing by Archbiship Aymond.

Mother of Mercy Council 4030 Knights of Columbus, St. George Catholic Church, an Anonymous Donor, and the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council have been involved in a special Pro-Life Campaign to help Save the Unborn. On May 27th ArchBishop Gregory Aymond of New Orleans blessed a new UltraSound donated to Woman's New Life Center (WNLC) on Ridgelake in Metairie, La. This Pregnancy Center is located next door to an abortion clinic which is one of the busiest in Louisiana. Many of the women seeking an abortion at the Abortion Clinic are directed to WNLC for counseling prior to having the abortion. So, WNLC is busy and have conservatively determined that the availability of their new ultrasound machine has directly resulted in an additional 1.4 babies per workday being saved. According to Richard Bosse, KC 4030 UltraSound Campaign Chairman, assuming 22 workdays per month, that extrapolates to 370 babies saved per year.



*Pictured (L-R) Mother of Mercy Grand Knight Ron Coco, Archbishop Greg Aymond, Grand Knight Larry Jones, Council 13425, and State Deputy Ben Davidson.* 



State Deputy Ben Davidson (R) looks on as Archbishop Gregory Aymond blesses UltraSound machine donated by Mother of Mercy Council 4030.

This is the second new UltraSound donated to a pregnancy center. Care Pregnancy Center of Baton Rouge received the first new machine last summer. KC 4030 is in the process of placing a third new machine, the application presently at KC Supreme awaiting approval for the 50% share they provide. As each new ultrasound is placed in service the used machine being replaced is sent to a pregnancy center needing an ultrasound. When the Knights of St. Matthew Catholic Church, River Ridge, La., Council 13425, heard of the ArchBishop blessing of the Ultrasound, they asked if a contribution they had raised for WNLC could be made during the Blessing Ceremony. KC 4030's response was "Certainly!!" Consequently, Grand Knight Larry Jones, Council 13425 is included in our Blessing photo.

The Knights of Columbus are proud to say, "We Are Pro-Life."

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The highlight of the DC portion of our trip was our visit to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on the campus of Catholic University. I, along with the other Catholic leaders in the group (all of whom are Knights) took the Catholic Scouts for Mass and a tour of the Basilica. After lunch in the onsite cafeteria, we attended a Spanish Mass in the Crypt Church (the GPS had our bus driver going in circles for a while and we missed the Noon Mass). I could tell that the Scouts were truly inspired by the beauty and majesty of their surroundings. Following Mass, we were given a guided tour of the entire complex. To see the Knights Tower and the Knights Dome in person for the first time was breathtaking! The beauty and strength of our faith is brought to life at the Basilica and I encourage every Knight who has the opportunity to make a pilgrimage.

After touring DC it was time for the National Jamboree. Ten days of Scouting fun and adventure housed on 3500 acres at Ft. A.P. Hill. The Scouts were able to participate in a number of activities from mountain boarding to trap shooting, from scuba to conservation and everything in between. They got to meet celebrities, set world records and meet fellow Scouts, not just from all over the country, but from all over the world! There was so much to do at the Jamboree that it just was not possible for the Scouts to do it all. I met fellow Knight-Scouters from all over the country and even one from Canada. Seeing in person the strong ties between Scouting and the Knights reminded me why I am such a firm supporter of both programs and steeled my resolve to make the ties in Louisiana even stronger than they already are.

The Knights of Columbus had an informational booth set up in the Rela-



Sunday Mass

tionships Division tents in the National Exhibits section of the Jamboree. This area is set up for the various religious and civic organizations that charter Scouting units to have information available, not juts for the Scouts and Scouters participating in the Jamboree, but also for the thousands of visitors to the Jamboree site each day. I met my counterpart from Virginia and we exchanged a number of ideas and programs. Right next door to the Knights booth was the National Catholic Committee on Scouting booth and they had a large amount of information available, especially for the Scouts. I also discovered that the Diocese of Richmond has made prayer cards for Francis Parater, the namesake of our new state award for Brother Knights who are Scouters. I informed them of our new award and they were very pleased to hear about it. I obtained a large number of prayer cards from them and will be making them available to councils and assemblies in the very near future.

(On a side note, I also had the opportunity to meet in person the gentleman who is helping design and manufacture the medallion and patch that Parater Award recipients will receive. They are progressing and the patches should be available no later than October. The medallions may take a bit longer due to having to create the original template. I will be contacting the Diocesan Catholic Committees on Scouting for our first two recipients to schedule presentations very soon).

On the Sunday of the Jamboree we attended an outdoor Mass in the

main Jamboree arena. While I have not been able to obtain an exact number (estimates run from 6,000 to 15,000), it is safe to say that thousands of Catholic Scouts and Scouters braved the intense morning sun to celebrate our faith. Bishop Gerald A. Gettelfinger of Evansville, IN, bishop liaison to the National Catholic Committee on Scouting, Bishop Richard Higgins, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, Bishop Francis Xavier DiLorenzo of Richmond, VA, Bishopdesignate F. Richard Spencer (an Eagle Scout) and more than two dozen priests and deacons concelebrated Mass. Seeing all of those Scouts and Scouters taking part in the Holy Mass was incredible.

Alas, the Jamboree had to come to an end. On our way back to Louisiana we stopped in Tennessee and took the Scouts whitewater rafting on the Ocoee River. A few Scouts were nervous at first but once on the water those fears were quickly forgotten.

In closing I would like to thank the leaders from the Southeast Louisiana Council, as well as from the other councils in Louisiana, the Istrouma Area Council (which included our Worthy State Warden), the Evangeline Area Council, the Louisiana Purchase Council, the Calcasieu Area Council and the Norwela Area Council, for taking the time from your lives to give a bunch of Scouts the experience of a lifetime! I hope to see many more Knights-Scouters participate in the next National Jamboree in 2013! See you at the Summit!

Thomas Loudon McGuire, Jr. passed away Thursday, August 12, 2010, at Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center. He was 69 years old and a lifelong resident of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Tommy was born in Jackson, Mississippi on April, 29, 1941, to Thomas Loudon and Madelyn Elwell



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McGuire. He attended Sacred Heart Catholic School and was a 1959 graduate of Catholic High School. He also attended Louisiana State University and served as a corpsman in the United States Navy from 1960 to 1964. He retired from Dow Chemical Company in 1994 after 30 years of service. Tommy was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church where he served in many capacities for many years. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus serving as Past Grand



Thomas L. McGuire, Jr. State Deputy 1986-1988

Knight of Mother of Mercy Council 4030 and a charter member of St. Joseph's Cathedral Council 13632. He served as State Deputy of the Knights of Columbus, Louisiana Jurisdiction, from 1986 to 1988. His most treasured honor was being Knighted as a Knight of St. Gregory the Great by Pope Paul VI in 1978. Tommy is survived by his loving wife of nearly 46 years, Julia Bergeron McGuire; four children and their spouses, Thomas Loudon McGuire III and wife Lori, Dr. Maria McGuire Haynes and husband Dr. Scott Haynes, Roger Emile McGuire, and Catherine McGuire Wilty and husband Roy; eight grandchildren, Ashley and Loudon McGuire, Emily, Madelyn, William, and John Henry Haynes, and Powers and Patrick Wilty; brother Michael Loudon McGuire, Sr. and wife Anne, brother and sisters-in-law,





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Lawrence E. Bergeron, Jr. and wife Joyce, and Elizabeth S. Bergeron. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law, Donald J. Bergeron, Sr. Visiting was at Rabenhorst Funeral Home, 825 Government Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Sunday, August 15, 2010, with recitation of the Rosary at 7 PM. Visiting at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, 445 Marquette Avenue, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, was Monday, August 16, 2010, from 9 to 10:30 AM, immediately followed by Mass of Christian Burial. Celebrant will be Father Vic Messina with con-celebrants Father Matt Dupre, Father Miles Walsh, and Father Gerard Young. Entombment followed at Resthaven Gardens of Memory. Pallbearers were Michael L. McGuire, Jr., Barry J. Bergeron, Lawrence E.

Bergeron, III, Paul A. D'Agostino, Jack E. Groner, and Robert G. Ruffino. Honorary pallbearers were Donald J. Bergeron, Jr., Daniel "Skip" D'Amico, Leo Segalla, Dr. Donald K. Haynes, Dean Mayers, Henry Silvio, Dr. Kevin Reed, Michael Miller, and Brother Knights of the Knights of Columbus. The family wishes to thank the physicians, nurses, and staff of OLOL SICU, Dr. Luke Corsten, Dr. Mary Raven, and a very special thank you to Dr. Georgia Reine and her staff for 16 years of care and friendship. Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN, 38105, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 3636 South I-10 Service Road, Suite 304, Metairie, LA, 70001, or the charity of your choice.