Calendar

Oct 1-30 Respect Life Month

Oct 1 Deadline-Payment STATE PER CAPITA

 Oct 6-8
 ANNUAL MDF CAMPAIGN

 Oct 7
 MAJOR DEGREE, Lacombe

 Oct 8- Nov 12
 Silver Rose Program

 Oct 9
 Columbus Day Observed

Oct 10 Deadline-Payment SUPREME PER CAPITA
Oct 11 Deadline-Conduct District Soccer Challenge

Oct 14 MAJOR DEGREE, Lafayette
Oct 14 MAJOR DEGREE, Shreveport
Oct 15 Deadline-FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Oct 25 Deadline - Conduct Diocesan Soccer Challenge

Oct 28 MAJOR DEGREE, Bourg Nov 1 Feast of All Saints Day

Nov 1 CYLA Information Mailed to Grand Knights

Nov 1 Deadline - Order Free Throw Kits

Nov 1 Deadline - Order Keep Christ in Christmas Kit

Nov 2 Feast of All Souls Day Nov 7 National Election Day Nov 11 Veterans Day

Nov 11 STATE NINE BALL TOURNAMENT. Lafayette

Nov 15 Deadline-FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Nov 15 Deadline-Diocesan Cook Off

Nov 19 STATE SOCCER CHALLENGE. Baton Rouge

Nov 23 Thanksgiving

Dec 1 Submit Articles for Louisiana Knight

Dec 1 Deadline-Council CYLA Chairman to CYLA Chair

Dec 1-2-3 STATE FAMILY MEETING, Houma.
Dec 15 Deadline-Family of the Month

Dec 15 Deadline-Soccer Participation Form 4567

Dec 16 MAJOR DEGREE, Baton Rouge

Dec 25 CHRISTMAS

Dec 31 Deadline-Submit Christmas Posters to DA

Jan1 NEW YEARS DAY

Jan 12-13-14 State Retreat. Maryhill Retreat Center.
Jan 15 STATE PER CAPITA billing mailed to FS
Jan 15 Deadline-FAMILY OF THE MONTH
Jan 15 Form 5023. Keep Christ in Christmas

Jan 27 GRAND KNIGHTS DAY. Lafayette.

Jan 27 STATE GUMBO COOK OFF. Lafayette.

Jan 31 Deadling Conduct Council Free Through Conductions of the Conduction of

Jan 31 Deadline-Conduct Council Free Throw Contest Jan 31 Deadline-CYLA Applications to Councils

Jan 31 Deadline-Fraternal Activity Survey. Form 1728.

Jan 31 Deadline-Council Free Throw Participation. FT1

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Jan 31 Deadline-Council Poster Participation. 4001.
Jan 31 Deadline-Council Essay Participation. 4216.

Jan 31 Deadline-Special Olympics Profile. 4584. Jan 31 Deadline-Christmas Poster Participation. 5023.

Jan 31 Deadline-Christmas Poster Participation. 3 Jan 31 Deadline-Substance Abuse Posters to DA

Jan 31 Deadline-Council Essay Winners to DA

Jan 31 Deadline-DA Submit Winning Christmas Posters

Feb 7 Deadline-CYLA Council Winners to DA

Feb 13 MARDI GRAS

Feb 14 ASH WEDNESDAY

Feb 17-18 STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT. Hammond. Feb 24-25 STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT. Hammond.







Legendre Wins Texas Hold 'Em Little Tops Horseshoe Benoit Captures Golf



James F. Riente State Deputy iriente@vahoo.com

Brother Knights, what an outstanding start we had with membership growth to begin this year. We have brought 271 Knights as I write this article which places us in the top ten for the order. Thanks goes out to everyone who has recruited a new member this fraternal year. Let's all strive to do so and grow our state and the order.

I would like to thank everyone who attended our KCLS meeting in July. For those that weren't able to attend, I wanted to let you know that we presented leadership of the Councils with valuable information regarding membership and our upcoming programs this year. We also presented the requirements of being a 'Star Council' and asked each Council to set that as their goal this year. If you weren't able to attend and you need this information, please get with your District Deputy. If you haven't attended a KCLS in the last few years, I hope you attend the next one to see how things have changed from the past.

Also, at KCLS, we had our inaugural annual Barbeque Cookoff. We had teams from throughout the state come and compete. Those attending KCLS were fed lunch that was prepared by these championship teams. I would like to thank all that participated and I hope this program lasts for many years to come.

In August, the delegates for the state, numerous State Officers, and other

brother Knights and their wives attended the Supreme Convention in Saint Louis. Once again, our hospitality room was the most popular one. It is always visited by attendees from across the world. You can ask anyone that attends and they will say that attending a Supreme Convention is a wonderful experience. I encourage you to attend one in the future if at all possible.

In September, I attended our horseshoe tournament. This year, we had fewer participants, but we are always looking for a way to increase participation. In case you never attended a state athletic event, they are always fun with friendly competition. There is also a lot of fraternity between brother knights. Our Nine Ball Tournament is just around the corner and we hope to have an increase in participants at this event.

Moving back to membership, even though we are off to a good start, we must maintain this momentum. I ask each council to hold a membership drive (or some other event) next month. I am sure it will result in new members joining. Recall, we all have a responsibility to recruit new members and to ensure that each and every practical Catholic male has the opportunity to experience this great organization and to contribute to its entire works that benefit so many. After recruiting, we need to ensure this new prospect makes it to a First degree (whether it be a team degree or a video presentation) as soon as possible. After that, please ensure he attends a Formation and Knighthood Degree. The degrees schedules can be found on our state website and in this newsletter.

This time of the year is our Mental Disability Fund fundraising time. The amount of money that this drive raises is outstanding and has such a far reaching, positive affect on those we raise the funds for. I encourage all councils to consider contributing a percentage of their funds raised to St. Mary's Residential Training Center for their outstanding program.

My state motto for the year remains the same as last year, 'Faith in Action.' What we do as Knights brings that motto to life. In order to succeed, we all must work together in our endeavors. We are all part of a great, strong team here in Louisiana.

I would like to thank each of you for all that you do for this order. Please continue to take care of the required forms as the year goes on and keep the goal of Star Council in your sight. That award is the symbol of a thriving, successful, and growing council. Also remember that I, the State Officers, your District Deputy, and the other various members of the State Family are always here for you. We are here to help. We are here to aid you succeed. Never hesitate to contact any one of us.



State Secretary Rennan Duffour (R) presents the Supreme Council Second Place Award in Council Activity to Ascension of Our Lord Council 9623, Laplace, Grand Knight Michael A. Abbate, Sr, at the recently conducted State Golf Tournament.









Melvin R. Burrell YEP Chairman mel_burr@yahoo.com

These past two months have been terrible for our fellow Knights, family and friends in Louisiana, Texas, and Florida. The storms have left devastating effects on all of us emotionally mentally and financially. Let's take time to remember those affected and continue to pray for them. Please be safe if you go to volunteer. As we try to push through these times, keep in mind our principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. "A Knight to one is a Knight to all."

Brother Knights of Columbus today I am calling on you to help me with the first principle of Charity. The Knights of Columbus Youth Expansion Program (YEP) is also in dire need of your financial support. Some of the organizations that YEP provide funds to are the Squires, Seminarians; youth sports competitions, scholarships, essay contests, and poster contests. These are just a few of the programs that your generous donation will go to help. These funds will continue to help the Louisiana Knights of Columbus build and mold our youth. These programs are vital to also building

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'17 YEP Goal

\$150,000

\$125,000

\$100,000

\$75,000

\$50,000

\$25,000

\$4,239

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and shaping the character of our children. Another reason to give is that these programs help to solidify the family unit and encourage them to attend activities at Church.

Some of you may say that we are doing our own Council youth functions. That is great and I must commend you on that. However, if you donate to the YEP fund your donation can help out more individuals throughout the State. Your funds allow the State Officers to add to the number and quality of the youth programs and awards. We must resolve to aggressively work to support all of our youths. If your Council can have one fundraiser to support YEP it will go a long way to set an example of charity and gain the respect and love of our youth.

As of this date, five councils have responded in a generous fashion. With the donations from the Councils, KCLS, and the State Family Meeting we have a grand total of \$4,239.00 collected so far. This program runs from July 1st until June 30th of every Columbian year. The needs are always great and our commitment to the youth of our state should not waiver. We must continue to push and internalize the importance of reaching our goals so that our youth programs can survive in these hard times.

We thank you in advance for your support! Your donation is greatly appreciated and will be used to better implement our youth programs. In order to fully support our youth programs we will need to collect an additional \$125,000.00 in this Columbian year.



Stephen Hart Church Director heartfore@

RSVP. Does you Council support a seminarian? Do you provide at least \$500 to the seminarian? If so, your Council is eligible for a \$100 refund from Supreme from the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP). You can support up to four seminarians and get back \$400 from Supreme. Just be sure to fill out form 2863 and send in to Supreme no later than June 30. But you don't have to wait until June 30 to get your refund. As soon as you give your seminarian \$500, you can fill out the form and send it in to Supreme. If you need help in picking out a seminarian to support, contact your Diocese Vocations office. They will be glad to provide a seminarian for you to support.

RETREAT. Have you or your members considered attending a retreat? The state provides an annual retreat held at the Maryhill Renewal Center in Pineville. The retreat dates are January 12-14, 2018. The retreat begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, January 12 and ends about 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, January 14. This is not a silent retreat. Please see the back page of the Louisiana Knight for the registration form. The cost of the retreat is \$175 for an on-site double room or \$110 for commuters. A \$25 deposit is required with registration. Please pass this information on to your members.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the Church programs or if I can provide any other assistance.

Vivat Jesus!



Frank Chase Community Director chasefajjj@aol.com

I hope at this time you and vour family are doing well. Hurricane Harvey has created a lot of damage along Texas and Louisiana. Hurricane Irma has done a lot of damage in Florida. A lot of councils have collected can goods, water, baby formula, diapers, wipes, paper goods, etc. Thanks to those councils and the councils cooking meals and providing shelter. This is an ongoing relief effort. Your help is still greatly needed. Your council can find out how to help by going to the State KC Facebook page. Your council can send monetary donations to K of C Disaster Relief, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT. 06510. Our Texas, Louisiana, and Florida communities need our help. No donation or help is too small. May God Bless your efforts.

Vivat Jesus,





Arline & Sam Mistretta Culture of Life Chaircouple smistretta2@cox.net

October is Respect Life Month! We hope each council in the state is planning at least one pro-life activity during this special month. Talk to your pastor about doing a baby bottle campaign to raise money to support your local pregnancy center. Arline and I have put together a guidance document for councils who have not done this before. Just contact us and we will send you a copy by email.

We are also publishing a month-ly Culture of Life newsletter. These newsletters provide timely information that you can use to develop your council Culture of Life program. In addition, you will see stories from individual councils showing what they are doing to build a Culture of Life. These newsletters will give you plenty of ideas for council activities, many of which are simple to do. You can find previous issues on the state web site. Please go to the Culture of Life web page: www.louisianakc.org/programs/cultureoflife/.

Councils are actively trying to obtain ultrasound machines for centers in Covington, Baton Rouge, and Gretna through the Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative. An ultrasound machine is an essential tool in their work to save lives. More information is available in our

newsletter. However, we would be happy to answer any questions that you may have. Please consider helping us with a financial donation.

Finally, I would like to ask every Grand Knight to encourage their members and their families to participate in 40 Days for Life. I would like to see as many councils as possible chose a day to participate. You can find out more information at Louisiana Right to Life's web site: www.prolifelouisiana.org.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any pro-life questions. We are ready to help you.

May God bless you and your family.



Tommy Ruemker M.D.F. Chairman truemker@eatel.net

Brother Knights, as I writing this Louisiana Knight Column, I am sure that most of your councils that are going to participate in the tootsie roll drive are receiving your tootsie rolls, and preparing for the many hours of fund raising. I truly enjoy my time standing at one of the stores, and for these hours, and I am always amazed in the amount of people who give generously for such a worthy cause. Many of these people ask, where does this money go that is being raised, and I proudly say that

money donated is distributed back into our area to help our own local residents with their special needs. Some councils may also give a percentage to St. Mary's Rehabilitation Training School which this year has two hundred and one residents, and some of their residents come from our own hometowns. I have always noticed an extra smile on the people who asked this question, because they give from the heart, and when they hear it is helping our local residents it seems to brighten up their day even more.

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

I am proud to say that we have a new resolution witch has been accepted by State and Supreme to help support St. Mary's in their constructing fifteen new group homes. This is the resolution which has been approved by State and Supreme.

By: St. John the Evangelist Council 8342
Purpose: To help St. Mary's Residential
Training School with their planned expansion
Group Homes Capital Campaign by supporting
with a voluntary percentage as determined by
each council within the Louisiana Jurisdiction
of our annual Citizens with Mental Disabilities
Fund Drive for the project in honor of our State
Chaplin Most Reverend Bishop Ronald Herzog.

Whereas: In 1954, our beloved Bishop Charles P. Greco built a beautiful residential facility for people with mental disabilities from ages 3 to 21; and

Whereas: St. Mary's has served God's most vulnerable people in this beautiful facility for 63 years; and

Whereas: St. Mary's now finds it necessary to build fifteen new group homes to serve children, and adults with mental disabilities and autism; and

Whereas: The Knights of Columbus of Louisiana Jurisdiction helped with the original construction of St. Mary's in Boyce, Louisiana; and

Whereas: The St. Mary's Board of Directors through our State Chaplin, Most Reverend Bishop Ronald Herzog, has asked for volunteer donations for the Group Homes Capital Campaign to assist them; and

Whereas: In order to insure that this request is fulfilled the Louisiana State Council wishes to set up a specific funding method; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Louisiana Council, Knights of Columbus, convened in Baton Rouge, Louisiana on May 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2017 for their 112th Annual Meeting vote to support a voluntary percentage as determined by each council within the Louisiana Jurisdiction of proceeds from each council's campaign for people with mental disabilities to St. Mary's Residential Training School's Group Homes Capital Campaign. These funds will be deposited in St. Mary's Development Account as a holding account until Group Homes Construction commences, and funds will then be deposited into the appropriate account used to pay construction and/or mortgage costs not to exceed ten years.

Respectfully submitted: Grand Knight: <u>Elliot Waguespack</u> Deputy Grand Knight: <u>Matthew LeBlanc</u>

Advocate: <u>Thomas Ruemker</u>





12th Annual State Nine Ball November 11 Fast Eddie's Billards, Lafavette



Frank Zaeringer Special Olympics Chairman faz3415@aol.com

Brothers, there are a number of special athletic events and activities taking place throughout the state for your councils to get involved with before the end of the year. The biggest one is the "FALL CLASSIC" in Carencro and Lafayette between October 20-22 for softball, horseshoes and aquatic competition. Volunteers are needed from the Acadian area so please consider offering your support. The Bayouland Area "Swimming Invitational" in Luling on September the 9th is also in need of volunteers.

The always fun event "Over the Edge" in New Orleans at the Benson Towers on Friday, December 1st. Volunteers and sponsors still needed to raise money for special athletes in that area. For these and other events please check out the Special Olympics web site at *laso. org* for locations and contact information scheduled in your areas.

We are having a banner year with your council's support so far so let's keep up the good deeds in supporting these special kids.







Robert W. Boudreaux Council Director lakc@bellsouth.net

Plan. Promote. Participate.

Well, our fraternal year began with a bang, as our newly created Bar-B-Q Cook Off and Texas Hold 'Em tournaments were extremely succesful.

The winning BBQ entires were the meal of the day for our annual KCLS conducted at Dutchtown High School, and by all reports, all attendees raved about the quality BBQ.

Also new to the calendar, was the Texas Hold 'Em tournament conducted on Saturday, August 5th, at Council 970, Plaquemine. Some 33 brothers competed for Prize Gift Cards, and all participants indicated they would be a player next year as well.

The 45th Annual State Horseshoe and 70th Annual State Golf Tournaments were recently conducted and look for story and results on subsequent pages.

Our next sporting event is the 12th Annual State Nine Ball Tournament, November 11th, at Fast Eddie's Billiards, Lafayette.

We hope to see you there!





Tommy Ruemker St. Mary's Chairman truemker@eatel.net

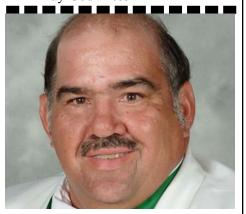
The St Mary's resolution which was passed at the State Convention to continue to help St. Mary's in their efforts in building fifteen new group homes, has now been approved by the Supreme Convention. This new resolution will insure that the Louisiana Knights of Columbus will continue to stand side by side with St. Mary's, and Bishop Greco's vision of providing every person the opportunity to develop to his or her full potential, intellectually, spiritually, mentally, physically, vocationally and socially.

St. Mary's is beginning to move forward in constructing fifteen new group homes on their campus. These group homes will replace the open dormitory building that house many of the two hundred and two residents. St. Mary's has seen great success with the children in the existing group homes as far as in their ability to learn in a more comforting home environment. Being in a group home environment means more one on one teaching, and better behavior situation for the children and staff. Brothers I am sure as we are Knights of Columbus of Louisiana I know that we will help support St. Mary's and our young Brothers and Sisters in this new vision of care.

My Brothers. St. Mary's will always strive to make all of their special children first and foremost as their main love, concern, and dedication. May we all pray for Our Lord to continue Bless these children, and the many men, and women who give of themselves so every child can be the best that they can be. Brothers, I personally want to thank each and every one of you for your love and dedication for St. Mary's, and for the many special children that you have helped throughout the years. Please continue this supporting them with your gifts of love. Brothers I ask that you to St. Mary's web-site, and take a tour, see what is new, and become a saint, or check out the many ways that you can support St. Mary's, and our special children of God.

St. Mary's web-site is http://www.stmarysalexandria.org

May God Bless



Delmas Forbes Seminarian Mission Fund deforbes1@cox.net

Hopefully every Council will be inspired to participate in our statewide fundraiser to help raise money to fund Mission Trips taken by Seminarians at Notre Dame Seminary and St. Joseph Seminary College. These Mission Trips are taken by these Seminarians are part of their priestly formation.

Two primary ways your Council can assist with this fund raiser are: (1) Getting involved with our State Raffle and (2) By making a financial donation to assist us with our fundraiser efforts. All net proceeds from our fundraiser will be evenly divided among two seminaries.

This year the La. State Council set a goal to try to raise \$50,000.00. We feel this is a goal we can reach

with the assistance of many Councils and Brother Knights helping us with this fundraiser. Year before last we were able to raise this much money and we feel like this is a goal we can achieve again this year.

The drawing will take place on December 3, 2017. The Grand Prize for this raffle is \$5,000.00, Second Place Prize is \$2,500.00, 3rd Place Prize is \$1,000.00, 4th Place Prize is \$500.00 and 5th Place is \$250.00. All winners do not have to be present to win one of these prizes.

Each Council was asked to sell 100 tickets and we are asking a \$5 donation for each ticket. Each Council will be awarded (4) four free chances at one of these prizes for every (50) fifty tickets the Council is successful in selling. This is a great way for your Council to raise some additional funds by winning one of these prizes.

For More Information, about this fundraiser, to obtain additional tickets or turn in sold tickets please contact our fundraiser chairman-Delmas Forbes, Jr. at 1533 Cooper St. Denham Springs, La. 70726, 225-939-2980 or by email at deforbes1@





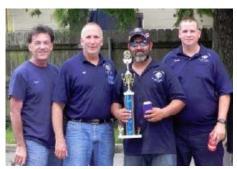
State Bar-B-Q Contest

GEISMAR, La - One of two new sporting events introduced this year, was the State Bar-B-Q contest, conducted over a two month period, and concluding at KCLS activites at Dutchtown High School on Saturday, July 15.

With eight (8) teams competing to capture the FIRST STATE CROWN, Our Lady of Lourdes Council 8442, New Orleans, was able to squeeze out the victory and able to place their names into history of the Louisiana State Council.

Council 8442 team members included Cliff Bertucci, Captain, Walter Tabony, Hector Perez and Dave Ballero.

Also competing in the state event were: Msgr. Dominic Blasco Council 3298, Baton Rouge; Msgr. Broussard Council 6959, Egan; Sacred Heart Council 7557, Broussard; St. Andrew the Apostle Council 9107, New Orleans; Ascension of Our Lord Council 9623, Laplace; St. John Berchman Council 10728, Shreveport; and St. Joseph Cathedral Council 13632, Baton Rouge.



BBQ Champions-Council 8442

1st Annual Texas Hold 'Em

PLAQUEMINE, LA - The second new sporting event for the 2017-2018 fraternal year, was the 1st Annaul Texas Hold 'Em tournament played on Saturday, August 5th.

Plaquemine Council 970 and Chairman Jason Leonard served as host for the inaugural event.



33 players began action at 10am and when all the dust had settled, some six hours later, Mark Legendre, Council 2807, Baton Rouge claimed top prize of a \$280 gift card.

Ralph Rivet, Council 970, claimed second prize of \$190 gift card, while chairman Jason Leonard, Council 970 garned third prize of \$150 gift card.

Also capturing awards were Ralph Comeaux, Council 970, \$100 gift card; and Earl Comeaux, Council 970, \$50 gift card.

Louisiana State Council would like to thank Jason Leonard and the brothers of Plaquemine Council 970 for hosting this 1st Annual event and hope the future events will increase in participation.





Mark Legendre, Council 2807





Ralph Rivet & Jason Leonard Council 970



45th Annual State Horseshoe Championship

PLAQUEMINE, La - Under blue skies, mild conditions, and a slight breeze blowing, the 45th Annual State Horseshoe Tournament was conducted at Mike Zito Activity Center, Plaquemine, as the highly popular state event returned to the friendly confines of the Zito.

Art Little, Council 8058, Sulphur, posted a 5 & 1 record, and claimed his KC State Singles Championship. Little's trip to the crown included wins



State Treasurer Keith Lawson (L) and State Secretary Rennan Duffour (R) present Singles Champion, Art Little, Council 8058, State Champions Plaque.



Doubles Champions Edward Landry and David Reed, Council 2855, Welsh.



Senior Champion Gerald Prados (L), Council 4309, Centerville; and Veachel Tucker (R), Council 10176, Folsom, Runner-Up.

over Joe Primeaux, Council 7557; Mark Legendre, Council 2807; Ellis Smith, Council 13349; and Eddie Guidry, Council 9692 in the winnner bracket final.

Guidry returned to the championship match by defeating Lynn Foret, Council 13819, in the losers bracket final

In match 28 Eddie Guidry claimed the match by a score of 31-24.

In the all deciding "IF" game, Little returned to form and captured a close victory of 31-28 and his State Championship.

Doubles action saw the team of Edward Landry & David Reed, Council 2855, Welsh, regain the Championship with a 5-1 record. Landry/Reed victory march included wins over: Bourgeois/Cullen, Council 6389; Cassiegne/Tamplain, Council 2436; Comeaux/Comeaux, Council 970; Caillouet/Caillouet, Council 3054 before losing to defending champions Barrios/Blanchard in the winners bracket finals, by a score of 19-18.

In the losers bracket, Landry/Reed defeated Caillouet/Caillouet, by a count of 37-26.

In the championship matches, Landry/Reed wasted no time and took straight set wins, 33-16 and 32-16 to capture Double Champions honors.

Senior Singles Champion Gerald Prados, Council 4309 captured wins over Earl Tastet, Council 2409; Defending Champion Veachel Tucker, Council 10176; and in winnners bracket finals, defeated 2016 Singles Champion, Charles Savoy, 29-20.

Mr. Tucker showed his grit and defeated Savoy 25-24, to earn the right to compete against Prados in the finals.

Tucker captured the first match 32-18, however Prados regained his form to capture the rubber match by a count of 31-19.

THANX to Plaquemine Council 970 and Ralpn Comeaux for hosting another great championship!







Singles Finalists included (L-R): Second Place, Eddie Guidry, Council 9692, Baton Rouge; Third Place, Lynn Foret, Council 13819, Houma; and Fourth Place, Lawrence Mier, Council 2855,



Doubles Second Place Jimmy Barrios & Edwin Blanchard, Council 3054, Lockport.



Third Place Doubles Team of Glenn Caillouet and Jimmy Caillouet, Council 3054, Lockport, with State Treasurer Keith Lawson.



Fourth Place Doubles Team of Brian Buelow & Richard Buelow, Counicl 9753, Tioga, pose with State Secretary Rennan Duffour.





Senior Singles Finalists included (L-R): Third Place Charles Savoy, Council 2012, Jennings; and Fourth Place Roland Bertrand, Council 3048, Bell City.

Plaquemine Council 970 Captures Team Championship

Benoit Captures 70th Annual State Golf Championship

LAPLACE, La - The Louisiana State Council hosted the 70th Annual Knights of Columbus State Golf Tournament, September 22-23-24 at Riverlands G&CC, Laplace.

Eighty one (81) knights from throughout the state participated in the three day event. A Friday night welcome reception was hosted at Riverlands Club House, as the State Council and Laplace Council 2436 served as hosts.

The Friday scramble featured 39 players on ten teams. All teams competed at Riverlands. The team of Joey Freitas, Co. 5935; Joey Daigle, Co. 970; Jerry Jagneaux, Co. 3202 and Bruce Tamplain, Co. 9623, captured top honors by shooting a 9 under par, 63.

Second Place Scramble award went to the team of Marshall Miller, Co. 3202; Woody Louviere, Co. 7355; Guy Ruggiero, Co. 970; and Riley Gros, Co. 9338, as they posted a 8 under par, 64.

The team of Kenneth St. Pierre, Co. 5935; Blake Walker, Co. 3622; Jay Bourgeois, Co. 9692; and Grant Cortez, co. 10800, posted a 65 and claimed third place honors.

73 KC Golfers teed it up on Saturday and Sunday mornings under blue skies, a start contrast to the rain of the

Team Champion honors went to Plaquemine Council 970, with 15 points. Council 970 recorded two first place and one second place finisher and two third place awards. Council 9692 finished in second place with 6 points (2 second place).

Brian Benoit, Jennings Council 2012, captured the Championship Flight top honors with a score of 156. 2016 Champion Brad Ducote, Council 970, finished one stroke behind at 157. 2015 Champion Stan Barbier, Council 970, took home third place honors with a score of 160.

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

During the award ceremony, the State Council announced the 2018 Championship would be played at Gray Plantation GC, Lake Charles..



State Secretary presents Brian Benoit with Championship Flight First Place Trophy.



Championship Flight: (L-R) Brian Benoit, Champion, Co. 2012; Brad Ducote, 2nd, Co. 970; Stan Barbier, 3rd, Co. 970.



First Flight: (L-R) Chad Brown, 1st, Co. 970; Mickey Bourgeois, 2nd, Co. 1817; and Daryl Tempanaro, 3rd, Co. 970.



Second Flight: (L-R) Kenneth St. Pierre, 1st, Co. 5935; Albert Morvant, 2nd, Co. 7557; Derek Roddy, 3rd, Co. 1817.



Third Flight: (L-R) Guy Ruggerio, 1st, Co. 970; Andrew Mercante, 2nd, Co., 2952; George Wainright, 3rd, Co. 12529



Fourth Flight: (L-R) David Comeaux, 1st, Co. 4309; Brian Amedee, 2nd, Co. 2657; Lloyd Murphree, 3rd, Co. 12529.



Senior Gross Flight: (L-R) State Secretary Rennand Duffour; Barry Landry, 1st, Co. 10455; and Terry Richard, 2nd, Co. 9623.



CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT:

Brian Benoit, Council 2012
Brad Ducote, Council 970
Stan Barbier, Council 970

FIRST FLIGHT:

150 Chad Brown, Council 970 153 Mickey Bourgeois, Council 1817 155 Daryl Tempanaro, Council 970 SECOND FLIGHT:

157 Kenneth St. Pierre, Council 5935 160 Albert Morvant, Council 7557 167 Derek Roddy, Council 1817

THIRD FLIGHT:

167 Guy Ruggiero, Council 970 179 Andrew Mercante, Council 2952 182 George Wainright, Council 12529 FOURTH FLIGHT:

David Comeaux, Council 4309
 Brian Amedee, Council 2657
 Lloyd Murphree, Council 12529

SENIOR GROSS FLIGHT:

164 Barry Landry, Council 10455 170 Terry Richard, Council 9623 173 Ronald Harmon, Council 3622 SENIOR NET "A" FLIGHT:

141.2 Rodney Blanchard, Co 10455 142.6 Brad Lewis, Council 9692

149.2 Francis Knight, Council 3202 SENIOR NET "B" FLIGHT:

149.4 Grant Cortez, Council 10800 153.2 Jerry Berggren, Council 9692 159.8 Wilkinson Babin, Council 10721



Senior Net "A" Flight: (L-R) Rodney Blanchard, 1st, Co. 10455; Brad Lewis, 2nd, Co. 9692; Francis Knight, 3rd, Co. 3202.



Senior Net "B" Flight: (L-R) Grant Cortez, 1st, Co. 10800; Jerry Berggren, 2nd, Co. 9692; and Wilkinson Babin, 3rd. Co. 10721.



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Why should every Catholic gentleman join the Knights of Columbus? There are many reasons, such as our Catholic identity, our history and stability (since 1882), our strength (almost 2 million members worldwide), and our charity (over \$177 Million donated last year).

But we also offer many fraternal benefits that are available only to Knights of Columbus. A few of the benefits include the following:

College Scholarships for Knights and their Family: Last year, the Knights of Columbus awarded 515 scholarships totaling more than \$1.2 million. Being a Knight of Columbus gives you, your wife, and children exclusive access to these scholarships. And when eligibility is open to anyone, preference is given to a Knight of Columbus or

his family.

\$25,000 Scholarships for Children of Knights who are Military, Policemen and Firemen: Scholarships are available to children of Knights who are killed by hostile action or seriously wounded by hostile action while serving in the military. And, scholarships are available to children of Knights who are full-time law enforcement officers or full-time firefighters who are killed as a result of criminal violence directed at them.

Our Insurance Program. Our top-rated insurance program is only available to Knights. As a member of the Knights of Columbus, you have access to exclusive resources and insurance product to help you protect your family.

Free Accidental Death Benefit for Knights and Spouses: At no cost, if a knight or his spouse dies in an accident, the Knights of Columbus will pay the family up to \$2,500. It is a free benefit just for being a Knight of Columbus.

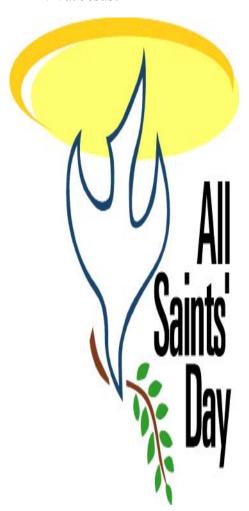
Recruiting new members is essential to the continued growth and well-being of your council and the Order. In addition, the growth of the Knights of Columbus depends not only on recruiting new members, but also on retaining current ones. Once a member joins, keep him involved.

Our members are our most valuable asset. Keep them active.

Membership growth courses can be found on Supreme's website (KofC.org), especially in the "Membership" section that can be located by clicking the "For Members" button at the top right corner of Supreme's website. Also, visit Louisiana State Council's Facebook Page for current information and announcements. The easiest way to find us on Facebook is by going to LouisianaKC.org and clicking the Facebook icon.

Stand firm in the faith, be courageous, be strong. Your every act should be done with charity. Keep up the great work and recruit a new brother knight.

Vivat Jesus!



EXEMPLIFICATION SCHEDULE

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

Date	District Deputy	Host Council
10.07.17	DD Tim Helbling	Council 12989, Lacombe
10.14.17	DD Mike Terro	Council 10293, Lafayette
10.14.17	DD Michael Roy	Council 3779, Shreveport
10.28.17	DD Donald Tivet	Council 8932, Bourg
12.16.17	DD William Rimes	Council 3298, Baton Rouge

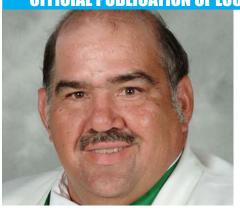
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	Mandeville	13	4
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	New Orleans	4	0
	Milton	5	1
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	Abita Springs	12	-10
	Metairie	5	0
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	Baton Rouge	4	0
	Natchitoches	24	0
	Kolin	4	0
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	Houma	4	0







Delmas Forbes CYLA Chairman dcforbes1@cox.net

All information concerning our CYLA program for 2017-18 fraternal year has been updated on our State Website, including the current CYLA application. We encourage students and Councils to visit our website to obtain a copy of our CYLA Application. There is some additional information on our CYLA Page that could assist Council and Students that participate in this program.

Brother Knights, our CYLA program has indeed became one of our premier youth programs. There are so many of our Catholic Seniors that truly deserve the recognition that this program can provide to them. This is the main reason why we encourage all Councils to participate in this program.

In addition, our CYLA program also provides an opportunity for

some of our state finalists to receive an education scholarship. Our State Winners will receive a \$4,000.00, Second Place Winners will receive a \$3,000.00, Third Place Winners will receive a \$2,000.00 and all Diocesan Winners will receive an additional \$500.00. One of these winners could indeed be one of the winners that your Council chooses to select as your Council winner.

Now is time to start looking for these Catholic Senior boys and girls to participate in this program. Remember the only requirements to participate in this program are these students must be a graduating senior and they must be Catholic Seniors.

There are two important deadlines that Councils need to remember and they are: January 24, 2018-Deadline to have all CYLA applications turned in to your Council, and February 7, 2018- Deadline to have all winning Council applications turned in to your Diocesan Administrators.

Finally, to obtain more information concerning this program, please contact our State CYLA Chairman-Delmas Forbes, Jr. at 225-939-2980 or by email at <a href="decorate-decora



Keith Gros Youth Director keithgrosstateyouthdirector@gmail.com

Brothers, it is our time of the year to kick off all of our Youth events thru the end of this year and into the mid part of next year. (2017-2018) We had a very good successful year with having 3 INTERNATION-AL WINNERS. Lets take a look at that, 3 from our entire Order worldwide. Great representation from our state when looking at the stats. I think we can do better. To do this we must all promote our programs well in advance of them being put on. We do have some great kids in our state, however we must do our best to attract them to our programs once again this year. It can not be done with out the help of all our brothers. We are now fast approaching our Soccer Challenges, Keep Christ In Christmas poster contest, Substance Abuse Awareness, Drug and Alcohol poster contest, Essay contest, Free Throw, CYLA etc.

Again, lets all come out and support the youth of La by getting the word out and all being a part of putting on a 1st class program.

Thanks to all who have made it possible in the past and in advance thank you to all our brothers making it possible again this year.

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Kerry Williams Squires Chairman kerry.williams@lasquires.org

First and foremost I want to thank God for this opportunity to continue to serve as your Squires Chairman. I especially want to thank our State Deputy James Riente, and our state officers as well as all Brother Knights in this great State of Louisiana for their trust and support in me. Sec-ondly, I want to thank my TEAM for their endless effort to make our program a success. I want to thank our State Squires Officers for their enthusiasm and dedication. I truly appreciate each and every one of you! Please continue to keep me in prayer!

We live in difficult times; many would agree more difficult than any other time in our histo-ry. It's very rough for many families right now. Moreover, its even rougher for our chil-dren. School is more demanding than ever from Pre-K through College. Peer pressure, bullying, recreational drugs, alcohol, social media, television and other types of distractions keep them from God! We have the opportunity to aid in deterring these distractions and steer our children towards our Heavenly Father. In order to achieve this we must REALIZE what's at stake, RE-ASSESS what and how we do things, REAFFIRM our ideals and REDE-SIGN our pro-gram. The hard truth is that our program, in its present form doesn't hold the attention of our youth. We have been actively asking our Squires and Roses to critique the program as well their friends that did not join our group. In addition to that, my team and I have been assessing our program to keep it on point with our goals and values. We've already made the first step by in-cluding the Squires Roses. As far as I know we are the only State that have held State Events with the Roses! Please go to our website www.lasquires.org and see the pics. We must provide a viable pathway for our youth to succeed and more importantly get them closer to God!

Esto Dignus!!

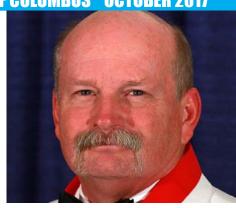
from Justin "JJ" Deges, General Agent



Pictured from left to right (seated): The New 4th degree members/initiates -- Field Agents: John Day, C. Mitchell Hebert, Kyle Meyer, Ryan Romero, Thomas Mayeux, and Shane Baker. Standing behind them in fraternal regards and support -- Field Agents: David Trombetta, J. Timothy Richard, David Chicola, S. Derek Faust, H. Mark Savoie, Scott Willis, and standing in 4th degree attire - General Agent - Justin "J.J." Deges

It had always been a goal of mine that when I become a general agent, that each and every member of the agency team become a 4th degree member. With that being said, the agency responded handsomely to the goal and request. On August 12th, all 'six' agents who were not yet members of the 4th degree, joined the 4th degree on Saturday, August 12th, 2017 in Hammond, Louisiana. The six field agents who already were members of the 4th degree ALL came to support their teammates as well. Several of the agent's wives were able to join us for the occasion as well.

And wouldn't you know -- that August 12th, for which this date occurred, is Father McGivney's birthday!!! So I had a sign made just for the occasion.



William McCrossen Disaster Chairman wim4727@hotmail.com

Louisiana was spared major damage due to Hurricane Harvey. There have been a couple of requests for help in Louisiana as a result of the storm. Those will be addressed as quickly as possible. I would like to mention that numerous Councils have made trips to the storm impacted area to serve food to the victims and workers. We appreciate the selfless efforts they have made. Other Councils have made monetary donations which are appreciated as well. Please keep me apprised of any efforts made so that we can keep track of your actions in order to have an organized and effective response. Please send any requests for relief to me. The request form can be found on the state website under the Emergency and Management Relief Program. Also any monetary donations should be sent to: Louisiana State Council (make out check to), C/O State Secretary Rennan Dufour, 96 Duhe Street, Hahnville, LA 70057.

You can indicate if your donation will go to Texas or Florida relief or just in general as seen fit.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

