



Knights of Columbus South Carolina State Council



Annual State Deputy's Report Fraternal Year 2021-2022

It is truly my honor to report the South Carolina jurisdiction is experiencing a banner year and I am humbled by the opportunity and privilege to serve as State Deputy. We are indeed fortunate that for the first time in two years we can gather in-person to celebrate our success.

As we began our journey in July, the State Council stated that one of our goals was to make every council successful. We were committed to opening communications at all levels, and I believe we have made significant progress in doing just that. While we've had to make changes in some of the State Council Officer roles, we are still committed to achieving this goal during the remainder of this fraternal year and in those that follow.

The successes we've experienced would not have been possible without the dedication and commitment of our District Deputies, Grand Knights, and council officers – the folks that make it happen.

As we came out of the pandemic, it was obvious that our members were ready to hit the ground running. Their support for their parishes and communities demonstrated to everyone what the Knights of Columbus are all about. Their "Faith in Action" programs no doubt contributed to the highly successful growth in membership the jurisdiction has experienced thus far this fraternal year. In December, Msgr. Andrew K. Gwynn Council 1668 in Greenville brought in the state's 10,000th member, achieving a long sought-after goal. I am pleased to report that the state has exceeded our monthly membership goal each month so far this fraternal year and has finished first in the Southeast Region six of those months. I can also proudly report to you that as we gather for our 101st State Meeting, we have already exceeded our yearly Circle of Honor membership Goal.

It is not only our members who have contributed to our success. We must thank the spouses and families who have taken an active part in standing by and supporting their "Knights". As Judy and I have had the opportunity to travel around the state to attend several exemplifications, one of the greatest joys we experience is seeing the pride on the faces of family members when their spouse, father, son, or friend is welcomed into the greatest fraternal, family-oriented organization in the world.

We also owe a significant debt of gratitude to our own Bishop Robert Guglielmone for his outstanding support for the Knights of Columbus. His promotional videos and communications with the clergy have made significant contributions to our growth. We look forward to establishing a personal relationship and working closely with our Bishop-elect Jacques Fabre following his ordination next month. We need to pay tribute to our pastors and all our clergy for

their dedication to their ministry and giving us the opportunities to be visible in their parishes.

Yes, this has been an outstanding year for the South Carolina Knights and I want to highlight a few of our many successes.

We expanded our Membership Team to include directors in different areas of the state. Their role was to provide one-on-one interaction directly with the council's membership directors and eliminate the need to go through levels of bureaucracy to get answers or request assistance. This initiative has shown positive results and we are expanding it even further in the new fraternal year.

For the past several years we've had a desire to reach out to the growing Hispanic community - the fastest growing Catholic population in the state. However, we did not have expertise in this area. I am pleased to report that now we do, and we need to recognize two individuals in particular. Jose Jimenez, V.P. of Hispanic and Ethnic Growth for the Knight of Columbus and Dr. Gustavo Valdez, Director of Hispanic Ministry for the Diocese of Charleston who is also a Knight. Dr. Gustavo agreed to serve as our State Hispanic Growth Coordinator.

Jose has visited our state on three different occasions to train individuals on effective recruiting procedures. Dr. Valdez's personal relationships with pastors and community leaders throughout the state gave him the insight to identifying the best candidates for this training. The results have been outstanding. Following the initial round of training in November, a church drive was held at Blessed Trinity Parish in Greer. A total of 28 members of the Hispanic parish community, including the Pastor, became members of Council 12274. Additionally, several other parishioners have become members since.

In January a similar drive was held at St. John of the Cross in Batesburg which resulted in 19 new Knights. Other successful drives have taken place throughout the state, and I am happy to report that we now have trained recruiters in most areas. We are fully confident that this initiative will continue to pay dividends in years to come.

Another area where we can justifiably be proud is our outreach to the many colleges and universities within the state. Through the efforts of our College Council Coordinator, Brother Tim Kenney we have established relationships with most of the college ministries and are helping local councils in their outreach efforts. We are exposing young Catholic men to the Knights of Columbus as well as assisting them in their Focus groups. While we have not yet established a new college council, work is underway to do just that in the coming months. Additionally, progress has been made in re-energizing Citadel Council 6900 which has been dormant for the past few years.

On October 17th, we established Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Council 17824 in the fast-growing Carolina Forest area of Myrtle Beach. Charter members included new Knights as well as transfers from other councils in the area whose members reside in the Carolina Forest community. In addition, the council was able to recruit several parishioners who were members of out-of-state councils who relocated to South Carolina. The efforts to establish the new council were led by Father David Nerbun and District Deputy Tom O'Donnell.

During the year we've also had to merge a couple of our councils who were struggling to recruit members and stay afloat. Rev. Norman F. Rockwood Council 9161 in Barnwell was located in one of those areas that lost basically all local businesses, and the potential for recruiting new members was extremely limited. In October, the Board of Directors approved their merger with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 6891 in Orangeburg.

Another merger took place earlier this month when Fr. Bonaventure Brown Council 9672 in Camden was merged with Monsignor Martin C. Murphy Council 6847 in Northeast Columbia.

As we continue to look for other opportunities to establish new councils, we are considering the needs of the parishes and communities and the potential for growth in the area. We have identified at least three other potential locations that would benefit from having their own council.

The South Carolina Knights continue our promotion of the sanctity of all human life, from conception to natural death. At the start of the fraternal year, Thomas D. Reilley, Sr. Council 10668 in Hilton Head donated an ultrasound Machine to the Pregnancy Center & Clinic in Ridgeland. In September, Mary Queen of Peace Council 9575 assisted in the purchase of an ultrasound machine for St. John's Hospital in Nyamilima, Democratic Republic of Congo.

Our councils were well represented at the annual "Stand up for Life" weekend in January. The Friday evening dinner had the largest turnout in history, and a large percentage of attendees were Knights and family members. Organized by the South Carolina Citizens for Life, the march and rally on Saturday was once again led by the Fourth Degree and, I am pleased to report that the participation of Knights and parishioners was significantly higher than in the past few years.

Our Lady of the Hills Council 6892 organized the celebration of Blessed Michael McGivney's first annual Feast Day on August 13th with a Mass celebrated by the Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmo. The celebration included a parade of banners from across the state and was documented by Supreme who provided a news crew to conduct interviews and film the event.

We continue to reach out to those in need. Our charitable outreach for the past calendar year at the state level included charitable disbursements of \$100,735 and over 3700 man-hours of service. At the council and assembly level, over \$700,000 and almost 450,000 man-hours were devoted to charitable programs. Yes, we are living the vision of Blessed Michael McGivney and showing the world "where there's a need, there's a Knight."

In addition to supporting in-state charities, we also provided \$4,000 in disaster relief funds to our brothers in Tennessee, Louisiana, and Mississippi when floods, hurricanes, and tornadoes devastated areas of their jurisdiction. Most recently we provided funds in support of Supreme's Ukrainian relief efforts.

We can truly be proud of our accomplishments, but our work is not finished. There are still hundreds of men out there who are just waiting to be invited to become part of a group of dedicated Catholic men who demonstrate their values by supporting their families, parishes, and

communities. Thank you for being you!

We look forward to finishing this fraternal year on a high note and keeping that momentum going into the new year. Momentum is a funny thing; you get the ball rolling and it is hard to stop. But to keep it going we need leaders. We need men who are willing to assume leadership positions at the state, district, and council level. We cannot continue to operate with several of our leaders filling two, three or four positions because other folks just want to stay on the sidelines. WE NEED YOU! I know there are men in every council who would be a great asset to the state team – do not wait to be asked! Join us to help serve God’s people and your brother Knights.

It has truly been an honor for me to serve as State Deputy this fraternal year and I thank you for giving me the opportunity.

Vivat Jesu!

Paul V. Burchell

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State Deputy
South Carolina State Council
Knights of Columbus



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Worthy State Deputy and Brother Knights of the South Carolina State Council,

It is my pleasure to report on a Fraternal Year that has been closer to “normal” than the last two years!

When we began this year, our State Deputy met with Bishop Guglielmone and was asked that the Knights of Columbus focus on three things: Hispanic Outreach, College Outreach, and the support of the Migrant Ministry. Subsequently, the State Deputy asked me to fill the role of College Council Coordinator until we found a suitable replacement.

Toward the end of the first quarter of the Fraternal Year, Tim Kenney, from Rev. P. N. Lynch Council 704, stepped forward willing to serve as the College Coordinator for the State. He brought forward an enormous amount of experience, and also the concept of the Conference of College Knights. While transitioning, I recommended we approach the Campus Ministry Director for the Diocese and offer our service through physical presence at the various Colleges and Universities, just as we had done with the Hispanic Outreach. This proved to be highly successful, and we have not only identified areas for potential college councils or roundtables but have begun to bring the young men on campus into the order and introduce them to all the Knights of Columbus have to offer!

In November, I took part in our first large-scale Hispanic Outreach event with the Knights from Blessed Trinity Council 12274 in Greer, SC. Not knowing what to expect when we showed up, the first weekend we got between 50-70 prospect cards filled out with men wanting to join. The interest was so large, and the Pastor was so determined, Supreme sent a representative back the following weekend to provide more in-depth information and offer an exemplification. I am thrilled to report that among the Knights present for the exemplification, was the Charter Grand Knight, and several Knights from the Council; all of which, were excited to welcome their Hispanic Brothers of the Parish into the Council. My own responsibilities for this weekend, was to ensure the contact information gathered made it to the Council, and to document the lessons learned to later assist other Councils in the State.

My other duties as State Secretary have kept me busy. Among them, most of my time is spent meeting with future convention sites to secure the most reasonable rates for Conventions, issuing vouchers in accordance with the approved budget, scheduling meetings and securing location spaces when needed, and of course planning and executing the State Convention. I have been lucky to inherit a convention contract that was pretty much completely planned in 2020, when the State shut down due to COVID-19. On top of that, we have a great convention committee in the Grand Strand area, who have set the bar in hosting a Convention! Because of their efforts, my job has not necessarily been easier, but more enjoyable. I look forward to attending the convention and sharing their hospitality. My last convention duty will be to ensure the next convention committee has a conversation with this one, to ensure some continuity moving forward.



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Probably the duty I take the most serious, is the responsibility of acting in the place of the State Deputy. It has been a pleasure to share in the successes our State Deputy has achieved this year; which, is a culmination of all the hard work of the Councils of South Carolina. Working with him, learning from him, and when directed, acting in his stead has been a privilege and has made my experience as State Secretary a very rewarding one. I appreciate his trust and confidence in my ability to represent him not only within the State but also to the Supreme Council on occasion.

My wife Rebecca, my two daughters Edith and Helen, and I have enjoyed attending many meetings, gatherings, council events, exemplifications, and visiting Parishes for Mass throughout South Carolina. We appreciate the hospitality we have received at each Council. While we cannot attend every event, we look forward to visiting with as many Councils as we can throughout the State. I look forward to continuing my duties as State Secretary for the remainder of the Fraternal Year and serving the Knights of Columbus in South Carolina for many years to come.

Fraternally submitted,

Jeffrey M. Crouch
State Secretary



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April 2, 2022

Worthy State Deputy and Brother Knights of the South Carolina State Council,

It is the duty of the State Treasurer to be custodian of all the funds and securities of the State Council. Including receiving all monies, keeping a true and accurate account thereof and depositing the same to the credit of the South Carolina State Council, Knights of Columbus, in a bank selected by the State Officers.

During the 2021-2022 fraternal year I attended and participated in the following:

- Supreme Convention, Greenville, SC, 2-4 Aug 2021
- Bicentennial Celebration Mass with Cardinal Dolan , Charleston, SC July 11, 2021
- Grand Knights Workshop , Florence, SC July 23-25, 2021
- Michael J. McGivney Beatification Mass , Irmo, SC August 13 2021
- Fourth Degree Exemplification, Bluffton, SC, 19 Feb 2022
- Hispanic Recruitment Training, Columbia, SC, 12 Mar 2022

As a State Council Officer, I have represented the State Deputy at several events. I serve as Chairman of the Annual State Council Charity Raffle.

As the State Treasurer, I have performed several functions for the State that have needed scrutiny, analyzing situations, and have contacted the Supreme Council when necessary, all to the approval of the State Deputy.

In this new role, I have experienced many new and previously unknown challenges. However, through prayer and with the support of my fellow State Officers, I have come through them and am growing into this vital office.

Overall, it has been an extremely rewarding year and the hospitality extended to my family and I at all events attended is sincerely appreciated. I look forward to continuing all Treasurer Assignments through the end of the fraternal year in June with the State Council.

Fraternally submitted,

Keith Kingren

Keith Kingren
State Treasurer



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STATE ADVOCATE'S ANNUAL REPORT

July 2021 through April 2022

As State Advocate, I have filled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within South Carolina. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory, I have:

- Provided legal advice to the State Council and subordinate Councils,
- Provided advice to subordinate Councils regarding conduct of meetings,
- Managed the Safe Environment program for the state,
- Promoted the Safe Environment program to the District Deputies and Grand Knights,
- Composed resolutions,
- Submitted resolutions to the Resolution Committee, and
- Assisted the State Warden with room setup for State Council meetings and workshops.

As a State Officer I attended GK workshops, State Officer and District Deputy installation meetings and ceremonies, Hispanic recruiting training and events, and State Council meetings, first as State Warden and, since August 2021, as State Advocate.

This fraternal year is a very rewarding year and the hospitality extended to my wife and me at all events attended was greatly appreciated.

Fraternally submitted,

Ed Wilcox
State Advocate
South Carolina State Council

STATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND STATE WARDEN'S ANNUAL REPORT

July 2021 through April 2022

As State Program Director, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the State Deputy to Councils within the State of South Carolina. As an extension of the State Deputy's supervisory authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are knowledgeable of Faith in Action programs and are aware of the State FIA Directors
- Promoted FIA programs and State programs

As State Program Director, I attended and participated in the following:

- Admission meeting of the State Council during the 2021-2022 fraternal year at the Installation of State Officers and District Deputies in Florence, SC on June 26, 2021.
- Grand Knight's Workshop held on July 24, 2021.

In October 2021, I assumed the duties of State Warden when there was vacancy on the SC State Council and began fulfilling those duties as well as State Program Director.

As the State Warden, I am responsible for storing and maintaining of all the equipment belonging to the State Council. Additionally, in my role as State Warden I am responsible for transporting the equipment to the various venues for meetings, workshops, and conferences. I am also responsible for setting up the various chambers for the respective activities, whether it be a meeting or Mass in conjunction with a convention or workshop.

The State Warden works closely with the District Deputies and Host Grand Knights to ensure the success of each activity. One of the key factors is checking of current membership cards prior to allowing attendees to enter the venue. The Warden also ensures protocol procedures are followed regarding seating and display of flags and banners. The State Warden assists in recruiting volunteers to serve in the various ministries during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass held in conjunction with State Meetings.

During the 2021-2022 fraternal year I attended and participated in the following:

- District Deputy's Mid-Winter Meeting on the weekend of December 10-12, 2021 in Hilton Head Island, SC.
- Grand Knight's Mid-Winter meeting held on February 5, 2022 in Columbia, SC
- Grand Knight's Ball held on February 5, 2022 in Columbia, SC
- State Soccer Challenge on December 4, 2022 in Columbia, SC
- State Basketball Free Throw Competition on March 12, 2022
- 4th Degree Exemplification at Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Lexington serving as a conferring officer on February 19, 2022
- Budget meeting of the State Council on March 12, 2022 at St. John Neumann Catholic School in Columbia, SC
- Monthly State Officers' Meetings and District Deputies' Meetings online

In addition to the above responsibilities outlined above in my capacity as State Warden, I also performed the following duties:

- Obtained new audio/video equipment necessary for convention and other events
- Prepared Program for Awards Breakfast as well as Mass program for State Convention
- In my capacity as State Program Director, I also handled the awards committees as well as ordering of plaques and awards for presentation at the Convention.

I also serve as Faithful Navigator for Assembly 1714, Trustee for Council 2207 and Caretaker of Sumter Knights Home, Inc. the Council Hall that houses our Council and Assembly in Sumter. I have participated in two Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity Ceremonies for my council as well as provided Honor Guard for a long time member of our council and assembly that died in the fall of 2021.

This was a different kind of year as Program Director. We returned to normal in many ways and stopped doing as much virtually. I began duties as State Warden half way through the year and jumping in at the halfway point posed certain challenges as I was slightly behind on the learning curve of this position but before long felt at home as a State Officer and enjoyed the hard work that was involved in this position. I look forward to continuing on the State Council in whatever capacity the State Deputy will have me. I look forward to the challenges that await us as a State Council as well as growing in my knowledge of the many roles and responsibilities of the various positions within the State Council. I would like to thank all of the State Council members as well as our Brother Knights for giving me the opportunity to serve as State Warden and continue to serve as State Program Director.

Fraternally submitted,

Christopher R. Hilditch

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State Warden
State Program Director
South Carolina State Council



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February 5, 2022

Worthy State Deputy,

The nominating committee met last night and puts forth the following brother knights for the Slate of Officers for the 2022-2023 Fraternal year:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>
State Deputy	Paul V. Burchell
State Secretary	Jeffrey M. Crouch
State Treasurer	Keith A. Kingren
State Advocate	Timothy W. Kenney
State Warden	Sherrill "Ed" Wilcox

For the position as delegates to the 140th Supreme Convention, each Jurisdiction has two automatic delegates, the State Deputy and Immediate Past State Deputy.

The following brother knights have been nominated for our remaining five delegate positions and alternates.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>
Insurance Delegate	Jeffrey M. Crouch
Insurance Delegate	Keith A. Kingren
Associate Delegate	Timothy W. Kenney
Associate Delegate	Sherrill "Ed" Wilcox
Associate Delegate	M. Eric Cannon
Alternate	William E. Weiss
Alternate	Christopher Hilditch
Alternate	Michael A. Allen
Alternate	Thomas M. Monahon

I would like to thank the following members of the Nominating Committee:

James Nettles, PSD	Michael A. Allen, PSD
Thomas M. Monahon, PSD	Thomas P. Ciborski, PSD
Richard A. Gabriel, PSD	Brandon Chambers, Assistant General Agent

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel E. Barton

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Immediate Past State Deputy
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Paul Burchell
State Deputy
South Carolina Knights of Columbus

March 28, 2022

Membership Director's Report for Fraternal Year 2021-2022 YTD

Worthy State Deputy:

Summary:

This has been a special year for Membership in South Carolina. As we have emphasized this year, Membership is about programs and recruiting. Our councils are conducting charitable works in every corner of the jurisdiction. These works that define who we are as Knights of Columbus are strong. The works are many and they make a difference.

Currently, our membership intake continues to be among the best in the order. We are currently ranked #5 order wide with an intake of over 94% of our goal with a full quarter left in the fraternal year. This is part due to more councils recruiting. We have gone from 30 last year not recruiting 1 new member to 17. This is a 21% improvement.

We have made some great progress from the last few years. We have gone from 23rd to 5th in the order for new member intake. We have crossed the milestone of over 10,000 members. We have led the entire order with our Hispanic Recruiting Initiative. We have held several Hispanic Membership Drives that have gained over 50 new members in 2 different councils. Our Grand Knights and District Deputies understand the impact of the "Laws of Attrition and what they mean for their councils. I expect us to finish over 110% of our goal and as a top 5 jurisdiction in the order.

A summary of initiatives I have undertaken as the Membership Director are listed below:

- 1) I have repeatedly engaged the District Deputies and Grand Knights with the belief that Membership has 2 parts: Programs and Recruiting. Our programs or works are what define us as Knights of Columbus. Recruiting eligible catholic gentlemen not only provides a council with many benefits but it allows them to continue and expand their programs. It is through our works as knights that we visibly put our faith into practice.

- 2) I have constantly reinforced The Laws of Attrition: people move away, people fade away and people pass away. The Laws of Attrition remind our leaders that you constantly need to recruit for the long-term health and welfare of your councils. Recruiting insures we have the talent and members to continue our programs and to provide future leadership for each council.
- 3) Promoting council unity throughout the state. I have asked each council to share their successful programs and recruiting ideas with me so the information can be shared around the state. By sharing our councils' success, they help each other with new ideas for programs or ways to improve current programs. The Palmetto Push is a monthly Membership newsletter that I started several years ago and continue to publish as programs and events are known.
- 4) I have given the councils the Top 10 Recruiting Rules (attached) and reviewed each of them. Following these will result in recruiting success. I have also instilled the Golden Rule of recruiting; "Everything a council does is a recruiting opportunity". Supreme has used these rules as their first "Best Membership Practices" publication shared throughout the order.
- 5) I am updating the state Membership Guidelines to include Retention and the Affiliate Membership Program. These guidelines provide Grand Knights with practical information, suggestions and standards for planning and executing their council's programs and recruiting efforts. The current 2020-2021 Guidelines were sent to all the Grand Knights via their District Deputies.
- 6) I have helped councils in the state as requested with advice in programs and recruiting. This includes going to state/district/council meetings, phone conversations and e-mails.
- 7) Our on-line membership program has been doing very well. To date, we have had 114 on-line members join. To date, 55 of these on-line members have become council members giving us a 47% conversion rate. This is the same percent conversion we have had since the start of the program.
- 8) Per your direction, I have expanded the Membership team to include 3 Regional Membership Director and the Retention Director. These RMDs work with the councils in their areas via the councils' Membership Director to help with membership and recruiting issues and to provide another information link to each council.
- 9) I have participated in the Spanish Recruiting Initiative developed in South Carolina and supported by Supreme. Our program has pioneered a very successful Hispanic Membership Drive that has recruited over 50 new Hispanic Knights. Even better, these knights are actively participating with their councils.

Overall, Membership in South Carolina has greatly improved over this COVID restricted year. It shows councils that are committed to the principles of the order. Our councils are actively, through their works, defining themselves as Knights of Columbus. We will to continue greater council focus on recruiting so we can continue to sustain our programs. Eligible men are in the churches. With the right focus, our Grand Knights will find ways to inspire qualified Catholic gentlemen to join our ranks in order to put their faith into practice. I look forward to the opportunity to continue these initiatives in the new fraternal year!

Vivat Jesus!

Ron Stanley

Ron Stanley, FDD
State Membership Director



State Membership

Council growth and development



Top Recruiting Rules

Golden Rule: *Everything a council does is a recruiting Opportunity!*

Rule 1) Be visible in your parish and community

Nametags at Mass, bulletin board at church, church bulletin, recognition for church programs

Rule 2) Schedule and plan your Membership **Drives**

Check with Pastor, plan out who, what, where, when and **get a member in front of the parish at mass**

Rule 3) Schedule your 1st Degrees

Point of focus for degree team and recruiters

Rule 4) Every prospect has his own sense of timing

Between family, business and other charitable obligations, some men wait until timing is better

Rule 5) Unity of Message

The Knights of Columbus is catholic mens' fraternal, family, charity organization.

Rule 6) Look professional

Membership table with table top display, current membership flyers, members dressed neat

Rule 7) Find your closers

Find those members who like talking to people, can talk about the council and enjoy recruiting

Rule 8) Don't forget Momma! 8A) Don't forget about Father!

The younger the family, the more you need to talk to the wife....wife's support critical

Rule 9) Be Positive

No one wants to join a negative

Rule 10) Ask!

We need to take the initiative...asking at the right time is key to yes

Rule 10A) Ask a prospect to a council activity - especially a social with his wife and family. Just because he is not a member yet, doesn't mean he can't participate.



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Conference of College Knights Annual Report Fraternal Year 2021-2022

The Conference of College Knights is responsible for enriching the relationship between local Councils and Catholic Campus Ministries, and its Chaplains in their area. At the beginning of this fraternal year, our State Deputy was charged by Bishop Guglielmo to expand the State Council's already excellent work with the youth of this diocese, particularly among College Men.

Accepting the Bishop's Charge, a new initiative was developed in the following manner: Create a statewide discussion forum for College Knights to share commonly shared issues, engage in problem solving, and discover new opportunities for them to engage in corporal and spiritual works of mercy at each Catholic Campus Ministry represented. The College Councils Development Committee was renamed as the Conference of College Knights. The Conference collaborates with a Team of 5 Knights to implement this statewide initiative. The Conference sought to work closely with District Deputies and Grand Knights to revitalize local Council-CCM bonds where they exist and to explore New Council and Round Table opportunities where appropriate. Efforts were expected to reach individual Knights and recruit new members in those Colleges and Universities where a Council or Round Table is not feasible.

Institutions that have Councils, Round Tables or just a few individual College Knights – all have a seat at the "SC Conference of College Knights." The Conference will meet quarterly either virtually or in person with the express intent for Knights to collaborate on General Program activities, problem-solve commonly shared opportunities, and to build fraternal bonds. The institutions represented will be recognized by the Supreme Council's "Conference of College Councils," and will be invited to the Annual College Conference in New Haven, Connecticut.

The Supreme Council's Manager of College Councils, Nicholas Holomon and his assistant Christopher Czyzewski, met with Supreme Regional Growth Director David Tebo, State Deputy Paul Burchell, State Secretary Jeffrey Crouch and Chairman Dr. Timothy Kenney virtually in January. We discussed specific Campus Ministries targeted for growth and shared our forthcoming plans to reach College Knights for the remainder of this fraternal year. Everyone left the meeting all on the same page. One result of the meeting was that several boxes of College Knights recruiting material were mailed to RGD Dave Tebo, who delivered them to State Secretary Jeff Crouch in time for the Grand Knight's Mid-Year Meeting in early February for distribution.

The Director of the Diocesan Office of Catholic Campus Ministry was approached in an effort to improve the role of College Knights as the Strong Right Arm of the Chaplains. The Director, Deacon Jerry White, is very interested in the Conference of College Knights building a bridge between the State Council's network of College Knights and the network of Catholic Chaplains



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organized through his office. More planning between the Office of CCM and our Conference of College Knights is targeted during the Summer months of 2022. Deacon White stated he is very impressed with all the local Council support throughout the Diocese and wants more involvement by the Knights of Columbus in Catholic Campus Ministries and Newman Centers.

This report focuses on the following eighteen (18) College or University Catholic Ministries addressed this Fraternal Year.

Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC

The Intent to Establish a Council was sent to Supreme in late Fall 2021. District Deputy Tom O'Donnell, Sr. began working with Fr. David Nerbun in the renovation of the Newman Center long before our current fraternal year began. Tom O'Donnell and brother Knights from host Council Blessed Frassati 17824, also recently formed this fraternal year, along with many other Knights worked to renovate the Newman Center from the foundation up. ***While aggressive recruiting efforts took grip this Winter, a likely formation date for the new University Council will be in Fall 2022.***

Clemson University, Clemson, SC

Clemson University Catholic Campus Ministry supports between 100-120 students. St. Gerard Council 6884 from St. Andrews Parish continues to serve as the host Council for Clemson again this fraternal year. District Deputy Don Thurlow has aided in coordinating the efforts of Deacon John Leininger, Grand Knight Brian Lamb, Deputy Grand Knight Tom Zavertrnik, Brother Bob Brohm and countless other Council members to consistently meet the needs of the Campus Ministry and its Chaplain Father Dan McLellan. Deacon John Leininger, who is a Clemson Professor Emeritus, leads the overall effort with students and the FOCUS staff. St. Gerard Council has hosted monthly dinners for students, numbering between 80-100 student attendees at each gathering. Recruitment material and membership efforts have generated many prospects for Knighthood. ***It is recommended that a University Round Table be established for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year, with the very real prospect that an Intent to form a New Council could be filed with the Supreme Council in the Fall 2022.***

University of South Carolina - Columbia, SC

St. Joseph Council 12554 greeted Catholic students at the beginning of the academic year with a barbecue cookout with the support of District Deputy Rick Swain. District Deputy Tom Armel met with Campus Chaplain Fr. Rhett Williams about the prospects for establishing a University Council. Interestingly, Fr. Williams joined the Order while a student at the Catholic University of America, joining the University Council 9542. He wants local councils such as Bishop England 724 and St. Joseph 12554 to continue supporting the Campus Ministry with program activities and membership recruitment. However, Fr. Williams wishes to time the development of a new council with the completion of the new church building, likely in the next two years. ***It is recommended that a University Round Table be established for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***



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University of South Carolina (USC)- Beaufort, Beaufort, SC

USC-Beaufort Campus Ministry serves about 100 Catholic students. *It is recommended that a University Round Table be established by Michael O Connor Council 5026 for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.*

University of South Carolina (USC) - Upstate, Spartanburg, SC

USC- Upstate is served by the Spartanburg Regional Catholic Campus Ministry. USC-Upstate ministers to about 100 Catholic students. *It is recommended that a University Round Table be established by either Fr. Daly Council 6076 or Mary Queen of Peace Council 9575 for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.*

Wofford College - Spartanburg, SC

Like USC-Upstate, Wofford College is also served by the Spartanburg Regional Catholic Campus Ministry. Wofford has about 80 Catholic students that attend the College. *It is recommended that a University Round Table be established by either Fr. Daly Council 6076 or Mary Queen of Peace Council 9575 for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.*

Allen University - Columbia, SC

Allen University serves about 50 Catholic students and is ministered by St. Martin de Porres Parish. Although few in number, a University Round Table could be established to minister to the charitable needs and causes identified by students. Equally important, these Catholic students under the direction of a host Council and Round Table Coordinator, can benefit from implementing certain State Programs such as the Right to Life and Coats for Kids. *Therefore, it is recommended that a host Council be identified and a University Round Table Coordinator assigned for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.*

Benedict College - Columbia, SC

Just as Allen University is served by the St. Martin de Porres Parish, so too is Benedict College. There are approximately 160 Catholic students that attend Benedict College, which makes this a targeted area of service and growth for our Order. *Benedict College is therefore recommended as a College Round Table Campus Ministry location with a host Council to be identified for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.*

Anderson University - Anderson, SC

This institution is not listed by the Diocese of Charleston as having a Campus Ministry. Grand Knight John Davis, from Fr. Friend Council 8295, is in the process of personally reaching out to Anderson University, which is a Baptist school. *We are unsure if any Catholics attend the school. If there are, Grand Knight Davis will contact the Conference of College Knights for a next-step decision.*



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Lander University - Greenwood, SC

District Deputy Tom Armel had members of Fr. Adair Council 7129 assess the viability of a new University Council or as a Round Table location. COVID-19 definitely made a deleterious impact on the Campus Ministry with Mass attendance dropping to a negligible level. Fr. Timothy Tebault stopped visiting Lander to provide the Sacraments. Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Greenwood is the Newman Center location for about 150 Lander University students now. ***It is recommended that a University Round Table be established by the host Council, Fr. Adair, 7129 for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***

Winthrop University - Rock Hill, SC

Grand Knight Mark Eddie of Council St Anne-Oratory 6756 and Former District Deputy Ray Howard are in the process of reaching out to Fr. Guzman at the Rock Hill Oratory about forming a University Council. About 250 Catholic students attend Winthrop University. ***At a minimum, a University Round Table can certainly be set up, but the size of this Catholic Student Community warrants a New Council Development approach first, as we draw near to the end of this academic year and forge ahead into the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***

Francis Marion University - Florence, SC

Francis Marion University has roughly 100 Catholic students. It is recommended that the Msgr. Charles Wood Council 5194 should establish a Round Table to promote charitable program activities on Campus, such as Pro Life and for Citizens with Mental and Intellectual Disabilities. ***The Francis Marion University Round Table should be established by Msgr Wood Council 5194 for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***

Furman University - Greenville, SC

There are approximately 80 Catholic students which attend Furman University in Greenville, SC. The Newman Center is affiliated with St. Anthony's Catholic Church and Fr. Johnathon Duncan is its Chaplain. This Campus Ministry, although small in number, is very active in a new effort called "Furman Students for Life." Think how more powerful their efforts can be with the Knights of Columbus at their side. No one has done more for the Unborn and saved more children's lives than the Knights of Columbus. ***It is recommended that Msgr. Andrew Gwynn Council 1668 establish a University Round Table for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***

Presbyterian College - Clinton, SC

The Campus Ministry serves approximately 80 Catholic students. These students share in the sacramental life of St. Boniface Catholic Church. In the recent past, several Knights had been recruited into the local council, NJL 15960 in Laurens, SC, only to graduate, leaving only footprints



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of their efforts on behalf of the Order. Catholic students can benefit tremendously by working together in common ground areas with Presbyterian students in the promotion of Protecting the Unborn, advancement of programs that support Citizens with Mental and Intellectual Disabilities, Habitat for Humanity, and Coats for Kids. ***It is recommended that a Round Table be established by Council NJL 15960 for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***

South Carolina State University - Orangeburg, SC

Close to 200 Catholic students share in the sacramental life at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Orangeburg, SC. Deacon Gary Janelle is the Campus Minister. Efforts have been attempted in the past with moderate success. ***Therefore, the Conference of College Knights recommends that Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 6891 reach out to Deacon Gary Janelle to determine if the foundation exists for a New University Council or whether the Campus Ministry would be better served with a University Round Table for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***

College of Charleston - Charleston, SC

The Campus Ministry at the College of Charleston is served by Fr. Andrew Frymal. Students attend Mass at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Approximately 500 Catholics attend the school, making the Campus Ministry a prime area for a New College Council. ***It is recommended that Rev. P.N. Lynch Council 704 pursue a New Council Development effort first with Fr. Frymal and Campus Minister Thomas Gregory or the very least, a College Round Table for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.***

Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) - Charleston, SC

The Catholic Student Association at MUSC attracts upwards of 150 students from undergraduate to graduate to medical school. As in the case of the College of Charleston, students attend Mass and receive the sacraments at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. ***Opportunities for Charitable Works of Mercy are too numerous to list here, but it is sufficient to recommend that Rev. P.N. Lynch Council 704 pursue the establishment of a Round Table for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year. Collaboration with St. Finbar Council 17760 on any program efforts at MUSC should be pursued as well.***

The Citadel Military College of South Carolina, Council 6900 (dormant) - Charleston, SC

During the Fall of 2021, a delegation of Knights from Rev. P.N. Lynch Council 704, Charleston, SC, led by District Deputy Paul Setti and and Former District Deputy James Daugomah, met with Campus Minister Tony Licari. Tony is a transfer member into St. Finbar Council 17760, Charleston, SC. He was new to his position at The Citadel and requested time to better orient himself to Cadets



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and the Newman Center. It was agreed to return in Spring 2022. Brother Michael Pio from Council 704 gained Council support for the donation of \$500 to cover the food costs of their Monday dinner gatherings in the Fall. A similar check presentation is planned for April 11, 2022.

The Low-Country District Deputies met to develop a strategy on approaching Council 6900. District Deputies Michael Cousino, Joe Friend, and Paul Setti met in a virtual setting to collaborate efforts. It was determined that Paul Setti would take the lead on any further efforts at the Citadel, with the concurrence of DD Michael Cousino.

Recent discussions with Campus Minister Tony Licari breathe new life into Council 6900 and the real potential to revitalize it into the Active Council status once again. There are about 12 Active Members still on the rolls and a new Financial Secretary must be identified before moving forward. Tony has several membership prospects lined up to join. His building effort focuses on the Fall 2022 semester for a full Revitalization of The Citadel Council 6900 predicated by the assignment of a non-student Financial Secretary. ***It is recommended that Rev. P.N. Lynch Council 704 pursue the establishment of a Round Table for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year until Council 6900 is returned to an Active Status.***

The Conference expresses its gratitude to the District Deputies, Grand Knights, Past State Deputies, General and Field Agents who worked tirelessly to serve Campus Chaplains, students, and Brother Knights. Special thanks go to State Deputy Paul Burchell and State Secretary Jeffrey Crouch for their guidance and patience, as all of us build together the future of College Knights into the Broader Legacy of Columbianism within the South Carolina State Council Knights of Columbus.

Fraternally Yours in Christ and Christopher Columbus,

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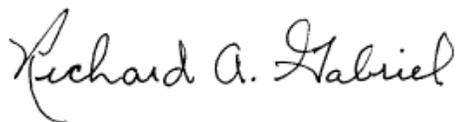
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Convention Rules by the Committee on Laws and Resolutions

1. The State Deputy, prior to opening the convention shall appoint a Board of Tellers (anyone of whom shall be eligible to serve as Election Commissioner). They shall serve as tellers on all division votes; roll call votes; and shall count, examine a record all ballots cast for election of state officers and delegates or alternates to the Supreme Convention.
2. All Knighthood members in good standing entitled to be admittance to secession, but only as spectators.
3. When a member of the State Council desires to obtain the floor he shall rise, if the floor has been yielded, address the presiding officer by his official title, and upon catching the latter's attention the member shall give his name and his capacity in the State Council.
4. A motion regularly moved and seconded must be stated by the chair before a vote is taken.
5. A motion may be withdrawn by its sponsor, before the vote, without objection.
6. Members may not speak more than once on any question and not more than three (3) minutes; nor may they yield unused time to other members.
7. The chair must state every question clearly and, before putting same to a vote, shall say "Are you ready for the Question?"
8. Unless a demand is made by a delegate, the "whereas" clause of all resolutions and amendments shall not be read.
9. If no objection is made to a resolution or committee recommendation, it is declared adopted unanimously; saying "no objection? Agreed to."
10. All resolutions shall have been submitted in conformity with article III, Section 8. All amendments to or affecting the State By-Laws shall be handled in conformity with Article VII.

11. When a proposed resolution or amendment to the By-Laws has been disapproved by the committee, a delegate sponsoring the same shall be allowed on the floor, if requested.
12. When the PERMANENT ROLL CALL OF DELEGATES (Article III, Section 4) is initiated, the doors of the chamber will be closed. No one will be allowed to leave or enter and only the votes of delegates present in the chamber shall be counted. The State Warden shall assure that only qualified delegates are in the delegate seating area. The doors shall remain closed until voting of State Officers, Supreme Delegates and Alternates, Resolutions and State Council Budget is completed.
13. The nomination of State Officers, Delegates and Alternates to the Supreme Convention shall take place during the convention. Nominating speeches will be allowed if the position is contested. When nominating speeches are allowed they shall be limited to one speech of three (3) minute duration per candidate. Nominations shall not be seconded, nor shall motions closing nominations be entertained. When only one candidate for any office is presented, the chair shall instruct the State Secretary to cast one unanimous ballot of the State Council for such candidate and declaring him duly elected.
14. Robert's Rules of Order, as revised, shall govern all matters and or procedures that are not provided in the forgoing rules or the By-Laws of the Knight of Columbus South Carolina State Council or the Charter Constitution Laws of the Knights of Columbus.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Richard A. Gabriel". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Richard A. Gabriel, PSD
2022 State Convention Parliamentarian



Columbus H.O.P.E. Foundation

Helping Other People Everyday

Presidents Report

2022

Individuals with intellectual disabilities have poor health outcomes and are particularly susceptible to COVID 19 infection. Increased health problems in those with intellectual disabilities is caused by several factors; in some cases, the cause of their disability or complications associated with their disability (in particular, difficulties with breathing) may contribute to higher risk of mortality especially from COVID 19. In other cases, social and economic factors are obstacles to receiving the full amount of health care to which they should be entitled. Additionally, obstacles to effective advocacy for this population may contribute to an inability to receive appropriate and effective health care.

During this time of fear, and trauma, the Special Needs Organizations that help this segment of the population are struggling mightily. The pandemic and economic collapse whether real or perceived, constitute a genuine threat. There's no guarantee that the public will receive these services, now or in the future, or that staff members—the face and heart of every organization—will retain their jobs. Everything is uncertain. Everyone is on edge.

One thing however remains certain. The Knights of Columbus can make the lives of the people with intellectual disabilities much better and add much needed stability to the lives of the disabled and their healthcare workers. In the weeks and months ahead, these nonprofits will need a reliable source of funding to keep staff on the payroll, to pay rent and utilities, to provide a measure of services during this period of social isolation and simply, to survive. When I ask nonprofit CEOs how they are doing, virtually everyone leads with the word *stressed*.

These are unprecedented times, and we are all learning as we go along. Here's what I learned so far:

The effects of coronavirus on Special Needs Organizations will be most obvious in three closely related areas: demand, workforce, and financial viability.

Demand for services

One of the first surveys conducted among nonprofits on the impact of coronavirus suggested that 43% expected demand for their services to rise. Many have had to close, while the rest are expected to play an increased vital role in achieving the goal of taking care of the intellectually disabled, and supporting them in temporary accommodations.

Staff and volunteers

The ability of these nonprofits to respond to this demand will be affected by the most obvious Human Resource risk in a pandemic: that staff will get sick or have to self-isolate following government guidance.

Volunteers, a crucial part of the sector, are affected, too, those aged 65-74 are more likely to volunteer than any other age group. They have been more seriously affected by the virus, and more likely to be self-isolating.

Funding

Americans donated over \$470 billion to charities last year. Around a quarter of this was given via the secure direct deposit route. The lockdown and its residual will have a much greater effect on ad hoc cash donations like the Tootsie Roll® campaign, once a very popular form of giving, however due to the new regulations and social norms is declining at an alarming rate. The same is true for all public events

Funding from charitable agencies and fraternities like the Knights of Columbus, must and will become more vigorous to make life better for the most vulnerable of our citizens.

Calls for more help

Without additional action from local councils, many in this sector claim they will be prevented from meeting the increased demand, or even go out of business altogether. Small nonprofits make up 96% of the sector and these compact groups of local organizations face an uncertain future. But even many well-known charities are already taking drastic measures to conserve funds, like furloughing staff members, and curtailing services.

The silver lining to this scenario is that the Columbus HOPE Foundation is still standing after almost two years of being handicapped by a near crippling pandemic. Last year you raised \$164,080.00 or 48% of our goal of \$343,463. 10 councils achieved 100% or greater with 4 councils hitting an incredible 200%.

In conclusion, whether dealing with coronavirus proves to be a marathon or a sprint, tens of thousands of Intellectually and developmentally disabled South Carolina residents depend on what you do at your local community.

Michael A. Allen,
President and Chairman of the Board
Columbus HOPE Foundation
August 21, 2021



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DISTRICT MASTER'S REPORT

The official Report for the South Carolina District of the DeSoto Province.

Delegates of the South Carolina State Convention, it has been an honor to serve the South Carolina District for the past two years.

At the outset, let me first thank Dennis Stoddard, Supreme Master for having faith in me as District Master. Also, to Tom Monahon, Vice Supreme Master for his leadership, advice, and encouragement.

The venerable Fulton J. Sheen warns us that "There are not one hundred people in the United States who hate The Catholic church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly perceive the catholic church to be." **Worthy Sir Knights, as the visible arm of the Order, you can be what mainstream America perceives the Catholic Church to be.** As our new Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly reminds us "we have the opportunity to become the kind of men who can change the world"

The good news is that we can offer this opportunity to all Catholic men. Bound together in Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism standing in solidarity with each other, we will continue to make a difference in our Church, our World, our Country, our State, and our Communities.

Membership

Two years ago, almost every message started with "Unfortunately, due to the Coronavirus pandemic restrictions". This year I can say despite the Coronavirus restrictions, the Patriotic Degree continues to be strong in South Carolina. Since the last biennial meeting the South Carolina District has hosted five exemplifications bringing in 177 new members, with a sixth exemplification planned for April 23rd at the State Convention in Myrtle Beach.

With the approval of our Vice Supreme Master, I authorized Ron Stanley, the Greenville team leader, to produce a video of the exemplification for limited use by those Knights who cannot travel long distances. This will afford them the opportunity to see the degree virtually. Just recently this video was edited and is almost ready for viewing.

However, we must continue to recruit new Sir Knights in force, and assemblies need to host exemplifications, so it is convenient for candidates to attend locally. A reminder that every 3rd Degree Member in good standing is immediately eligible to become a Sir Knight, and that every



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new Knight is now a third-degree Knight, Upon completion of their 3rd degree please invite them to the next scheduled fourth degree exemplification.

Exemplifications

My thanks to the Sir Knights who assisted in hosting exemplifications this fraternal year and thanks to our degree staffs. To build a healthy fourth degree district in South Carolina we need new Sir Knights in every part of the state. Experience shows that having exemplifications in all areas of the state make it convenient for busy, younger men as well as our more experienced Knights who cannot travel far to join our ranks as Sir Knights.

Currently we are planning exemplifications for the upcoming fraternal year. Contact me or the District Secretary to discuss scheduling one in your area.

At this time, we have Exemplification teams in Charleston, led by SK John Sulkowski; in Greenville, led by SK Ron Stanley; and in Myrtle Beach led by SK Robert Rooney. We would love to have a team in the Midlands area. If you are interested in taking a part in the exemplification either as a team leader or a participant, please talk to me or one of the team leaders.

New Assemblies

Why new assemblies? The reasons haven't changed over the past years. To give men the opportunity to be involved with the work of patriotism and Catholic citizenship in their local area. A local assembly means less travel time for Sir Knights which has proven to increase participation at meetings, functions, and honor guards. A new assembly can be formed with as few as thirty members with six of them new members. South Carolina has 64 Councils and only 30 Assemblies so there are still opportunities to form additional assemblies. We have several areas that have enough growth to sustain Assemblies. If your council is interested in starting a new assembly, please let me know so we can get up and running.

Serving Those Who Served

The Fourth Degree Knights are a volunteer partner with the Veterans Affairs Medical Facilities in Augusta, Georgia, Charleston, and Columbia, and now Myrtle Beach. Established in 1946, the Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) has become the largest volunteer program in the Federal Government. Our new VAVS chairman, Arthur Sotak will be filling us in on this program shortly. If you are interested in serving as a representative, please contact Arthur, we need all the help we can get.

Military Chaplains Fund



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I want to stress the fact that the fourth degree has not been called upon by Supreme to continue funding the Military Chaplains Scholarship Fund. I spoke briefly at the Mid-Winter meeting in Columbia about listening to Archbishop Broglio on the Catholic Channel on my way to work one morning in January. His story is one of desperation, and one that has recently taken on more urgency which may be escalating to what scale only God knows. Imagine 208 priests serving the Spiritual needs of nearly 18 million Catholics associated with our current Military, our Veterans, and their families. For this reason, the helmet will be out at every opportunity for remainder of my term.

Thanks to all who have and will donate to this wonderful cause.

Honor Guards

Let me remind all, that honor guards are to be directed by the Color Corp Commander in accordance with the wishes of the Bishop or pastor. When two or more Assemblies are called to the same event, the Regional Marshall takes the helm, and when two or more regions are called upon, the District Marshall will preside.

Without exception, honors by the Honor Guard shall be offered to deceased Sir Knights, their immediate family members, Council members and to their immediate family members provided a request is made. It must be distinctly understood that the wishes of the family of the deceased member are paramount.

Keep in mind that no matter the wishes of the family or last request by a brother Knight, under no circumstances will the old regalia be used in any ceremony at any time for any reason.

Star Assembly Award

There are several recognition awards available to assemblies that are engaged in programs supporting the vision and goals of the 4th degree. I encourage each assembly to work toward the Civic Award and the "To Be a Patriot" award. The Civic Award is a tribute to the spirit of patriotism and national pride exemplified by the assembly's program of activities. To qualify, the assembly must conduct and report at least four varied patriotic programs held within the fraternal year. The "To Be a Patriot" Award annually recognizes the three best patriotic programs conducted by Fourth Degree Assemblies each fraternal year. The assembly must submit a report on their single best patriotic activity on form #TBP-2 and send it directly to the District Program Director. All the assemblies that have achieved their membership goal have been contacted and requested this application. I will accept these applications through the end of May.

The Supreme Council now awards the "Star Assembly Award" which includes the above two distinctions and several other items. I encourage assembly leadership to review the



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requirements and make them part of your yearly goals. You will be hearing from Keith Kingren as the deadline approaches as I believe more assemblies qualify than have applied.

Installation of Officers

Laws and rules of the Fourth Degree require that assembly officers be installed no later than the first regular meeting in October. Send your request and several potential dates to myself (districtmastersc@gmail.com) so that I can schedule myself or a representative be present. I will make as many as I can but will need to rely on the Assistants to the Master to help. It works out well if you can combine your installation with other area assemblies. It is nice if you have a social with wives and families invited. **Fourth Degree uniforms, Tuxedos or dark suits should be worn.**

Forms

Please be timely in your submission of assembly forms. NOTE that all copies of forms indicating they be sent to District Master should be mailed to:

Peter LaPierre, District Secretary, 440 MCCARTHA RD LEXINGTON SC 29073-7661 or emailed to districtmastersc@gmail.com

Report due dates are listed in the Assembly Report Forms Booklet sent annually to each assembly. Forms can also be found on the Supreme Council website at:
<http://kofc.org/un/en/officers/forms/assembly.html> along with their due dates.

PLEASE submit your Report of Officers Chosen as soon as you can. This allows us to get the State Directory updated in a timely manner and gives the Supreme Office accurate names and addresses for them to mail their information.

This form needs to be submitted each year – even if the officers remain the same.

A key reminder, each assembly MUST complete an IRS Form 990 and to send a copy to the District Master. **Don't put this off.** Failure to comply can be an expensive oversight.

A Final Thought

Patriotism requires us to discern which laws of the State are in accord with Catholic social teaching, the doctrines of faith, and morals and which are opposed to the truth and to the Catholic Faith. Citizens are not compelled by patriotism to act in opposition to their faith by complying with unjust laws. Rather, it is the patriotic thing to correct error and bring the laws into accord with the fullness of the truth in Jesus Christ.

Patriotism means a willingness to lay down one's life for their country. Some pay the greatest price by dying in the service of their country in the military. Others lay down their lives for their



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country daily in the normal service of their duty to their family, their work, their community, and the poor and marginalized.

How to Grow in the Virtue of Patriotism

The next time a national holiday comes around, learn about it. Do not take for granted that you know what is being celebrated. Really dive into the day. When did it begin and why? Is it really what everyone thinks it is? Is it worth remembering? Is it worth celebrating? Know the answers to these questions.

Out of an authentic zeal for the ultimate good of the human beings God has providentially placed around you, lead souls to Christ. Learn about the Faith so that you can be ready to give an account for the hope that you have in Jesus Christ. Sharing the Faith is always for the good of the whole nation. This, of course, begins right at home. As St. John Paul II said in a homily in 1986, "As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live."

"Men did not love Rome because she was great. She was great because they had loved her." — G.K. Chesterton

Many Thanks

To all who have helped me get through the past year as your Master.

To the Sir Knights from assemblies that hosted exemplifications for your efforts in putting on first class events.

To Father Robert Higgins who served as Faithful Friar again this year.

To the degree teams for your time and effort in traveling, memorizing your parts and dedication to advancing the Fourth Degree.

To Mike Williams, Marcel Dube' deceased, Peter Lapierre and Keith Kingren for all their administrative support.

To the regional marshals who make the color corp. look great at the events.

To Thomas Monahan for his advice and encouragement as our Vice Supreme Master.

To my wife Debbie for sharing her organizational skills, her help putting together the banquets and lady's events for the exemplifications and keeping me in line and always being at my side for support.

And finally, to you, my Brother Sir Knights for always defending the faith, supporting our veterans and the Great men of the Military Chaplain corp.

Respectfully submitted, Michael A. Allen District Master, South Carolina



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COUNCIL RETENTION AND REACTIVATION ANNUAL REPORT FRATERNAL YEAR 2021 - 2022

The purpose of the Council Retention and Reactivation Committee is to work with District Deputies to have active and thriving councils, to assist in revitalizing activities to those councils that waning, and to reactivate activities in locations where councils have become inactive. This report covers activities for this fraternal year.

Merger of Rev. Norman F. Rockwood Council 9161 of Barnwell, SC and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 6891 of Orangeburg, SC.

Council 9161 in Barnwell, SC, and supports parishes in Barnwell and Springfield. Barnwell county is an extremely rural area with diminishing industry over the past two decades. Likewise, the growth of the parishes is stagnate contributing significantly to the decline in membership in Council 9161. The eight avid Knights in Council 9161 can no longer maintain the council. After due effort, it was decided to merger Council 9161 with Council 6891 in Orangeburg, SC and to establish a roundtable in Barnwell/Springfield. The merger was approved by the Board of Directors in November 2021.

Reactivation and Retention of Fr. Bonaventure Brown Council 9672 of Camden, SC and subsequent Merger with Msgr. Martin C. Murphy 6847 of Northeast Columbia, SC.

Council 9672 saw a decline in membership through the late 2010's. Finally, in 2019, the council voted to fold and subsequently were suspended. Since then, about seven members transferred to councils located 15-20 miles away. This has left a suspended council of approximately forty-five (45) members, including eight (8) honorary Life members.

In the October of 2021, State Deputy Paul Burchell ask me to explore the revitalization of Council 9672. I met with Fr. John M. Zimmerman over lunch and spent two hours with him as we discussed why the council folded, why the lack of activities, and why the membership complacency. I found Fr. Zimmerman to be a dedicated supporter of the Knights of Columbus but somewhat personally offended that the council folded within a year after he was assigned to the parish. While he would welcome any activities, including the establishment of a roundtable, he was pessimistic of any interest, I was able to get Fr. Zimmerman to fill out a Form 4, and was able to transfer him to the Council in Blythewood, SC, per his request.

Working with FDD/PGK Mike Williams, we initiated an attempt to start a roundtable associated with the Msgr. Martin C. Murphy Council 6847, in Northeast Columbia, SC.- the council that five (5) Camden Knights had transferred to. FDD Williams made e-mail contacts with all members, and I hand wrote invitation to the membership to meet with Fr. Zimmerman, Mike Williams, and myself at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. These contacts invited the spouses and noted that food would be available. Of the forty-five (45) members, less than ten (10) responded - all declining the invitation to meet. At our meeting, only (3) Knights attended. While the needs of the parish and a Round Table were discussed, no interest was shown. In total, I traveled over 400 miles, and invested approximately \$100 to provide an active Knights of Columbus presence at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Camden, SC.

Reactivation of the Fr. Bonaventure Brown Council 9672 is currently not viable and doubtful for many years. Per discussions with State Deputy Paul Burchell, we should proceed with moving the members of the suspended Council 9672 into the Affiliated Membership Initiative.

In February, members of Council 9672 were again contacted by mail asking them to transfer to Council 6847. The letters were signed and mailed by the State Deputy. Two opted to continue their membership as active Knights by transferring to Council 6847. The remaining forty-two (42) members were proposed for the Affiliate Membership Initiative (AMI) in mid-March.

Concurrently, actions were taken to merge Council 9672 with Council 6847. Council 6847 passed a resolution to merge with Council 9672 at their February meeting. On March 7, the State Deputy wrote a recommendation to Supreme recommending the two councils be merged. The recommendation was forwarded to the Board of Directors which will meet in April 2022.

Reactivation and Retention at Fr. William G. McKinney, Jr. Council 14892 of Loris.

Upon the request for support from the District Deputy Thomas W. O'Donnell, Sr, State Deputy wrote a letter to the membership of the Fr William G Kinney Jr Council 14892 of Loris, SC, inviting them to meet with him. The meeting was held at Resurrection Missionary Catholic Church in Loris. Nine (9) members showed. The members expressed a commitment to have the council succeed and were committed to have a cooperative Anglo/Hispanic Council. A follow up meeting was scheduled between English and Hispanic mass.

Reactivation and Retention at Rev. Scott Buchanan Council 15223 of Manning/Santee.

Upon the request for support from the District Deputy Dr. Richard W. Swain, State Deputy wrote a letter to the membership of the Rev Scott Buchanan Council 15223 of Manning/Santee, SC, inviting them to meet with him. The meeting was held at the St. Mary Mission in Summerton, SC. A big issue for this council is the 25 miles between the Manning and Santee. Seven (7) members from Santee and one (1) from Manning attended as well as the Grand Knight from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 6891 of Orangeburg. The members from Santee expressed a desire to merge with the Orangeburg and the forming of a roundtable in Santee. The Council is cleaning up their roster and participating in the AMI. A follow meeting with the members of Manning area is planned. Manning is only 20 miles from Sumter, SC vs. 50 miles from Orangeburg. If the Council is to merge with Orangeburg, it is more logical to move the Manning membership to the Sumter Council

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Thomas M. Monahon, PSD
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District Deputy Annual Report for South Carolina District 1 July 2021 through March 2022 Submitted by Richard R. Ronde, March 28, 2022

I was appointed the District Deputy of South Carolina District 1 on July 16, 2021. As the District Deputy of District 1 I have represented the State Deputy at the following councils:

- Michael O'Connor Council 5026 Beaufort St. Peter Church
- Raymond G. Bennett Council 7289 Hilton Head Holy Family Church
- Thomas D. Reilly, Sr. Council 10068 Hilton Head St. Francis Church
- Cardinal Bernardin Council 12263 Bluffton St. Gregory the Great Church

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to the councils of District 1. I have assured that the Councils of District 1 are:

- Financially stable and up to date with all assessments
- Performing exemplifications at a high level of excellence
- Actively participating in the "Supreme Faith in Action Program"
- Fully compliant with the Supreme "Safe Environment Program"

I have attended 22 council meetings during this period and have performed the following duties:

- Held three quarterly District meetings (September 15th, December 15th, March 16th)
 - Each meeting included dinner with social time
 - Asked Grand Knights to invite other officers and directors to District meetings
 - Prepared and distributed a written agenda
 - Next quarterly District meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2022
- Witnessed three (3) exemplifications of Charity, Unity, Fraternity in District 1
- Made district unity a priority among councils in District 1
- Submitted Form 944 "District Deputy Mid-Year Report on Council Status" to Supreme
- Presented the traveling St. Joseph Icon to all councils in District 1 and held a prayer service at each council meeting. The Icon was also honored at the following events:
 - Icon was present at Council 12263 Exemplification on January 10th
 - Adoration Hour was held for the Icon at St. Peter's on February 9th
- Officers Installations were performed by the retiring District Deputy before I was appointed

Two (2) councils in District 1 received a state incentive for membership

- Council 5026 for exceeding 100% of their annual membership quota by December 31st
- Council 10068 for exceeding 50% of their annual membership quota by December 31st

I attended the Grand Knight Organizational meeting in Florence in July 2021 and the District Deputy mid-winter meeting in Hilton Head in December 2021. I attended the first Father McGivney Feast Day at our Lady of the Hills Church in Columbia on August 13, 2021. My wife Mary attended these



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events with me and was cordially greeted, graciously accepted and treated with respect and consideration. We enjoyed these events for the programs they offered and the fellowship among everyone in attendance.

My wife, Mary and I joined St. Anthony Mission Church in Hardeeville this year. We serve as Eucharist Ministers for the homebound and were instrumental in reinstating their Lenten simple suppers on Friday after Stations of the Cross. St. Anthony Mission Church is under the jurisdiction of St. Gregory the Great Church. The small parish is growing and is need of additional help from their members, one of the reasons we joined this vibrant and emerging church.

I have wholly enjoyed my year as District Deputy of District 1. If asked, it would be my honor to return as the District Deputy for District 1 for the 2022 – 2023 Columbian Year.

Fraternally submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Richard R. Ronde".

Richard R. Ronde, PGK, FDD
District Deputy SC 1st District
South Carolina State Council



DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT

I was asked to finish the Fraternal year as District Deputy for District 2 when Larry Huff passed away. I assumed duties the 1st of January 2022.

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly and State Deputy Paul Burchell to Councils in District 2. As an extension of the Supreme Knights supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- *Assured that the Councils are financially stable.
- *Assured ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence.
- *Assured the Councils have an active Faith in Action Program.
- *Assured that all councils are fully compliant with Safe Environment Program.



As District Deputy I represented the State Deputy at:

- *Bishop Northrop Council #2207 in Sumter SC.
- * MSGR Martin C. Murphy Council #6847 in Northeast Columbia SC.
- *Transfiguration Council 13713 in Blythewood, SC.

I performed the following duties in addition to making 6 Council meetings.

- *Evaluated 3 Exemplification's of Charity, Unity and Fraternity within my District.

- *Conducted District Free throw competition and helped in the State Free throw competition.

- *Conducted a District meeting in January.

I attended the Mid-Winter DD meeting in Hilton Head Island in December. I assisted with lunch for Supreme's Hispanic Recruiting Training.



I continue to serve my Parrish as a Eucharistic Minister and helped with our Church's Capital Campaign. Plus I am available where ever Father Sandy need me to be.

The low side of my duties was hearing about Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council disbanding and helping with the transfer of their members.

A lot has been happening the past 3 months and looking forward to the next 3.

Peace and God Bless.

Vivat Jesus!

Tony Zammarrelli

District Deputy 2



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District Deputy #3

Annual Report

July 2021 through

April 2022

As the District Deputy for District #3, I have fulfilled my duty as the representative of the Supreme Knight, Patrick Kelly and the State Deputy, Paul Burchell to the Councils in District #3. As the representative of the Supreme Knight I have;

Assured that the Councils are financially stable.

Assured have an active Faith in Action program.

Assured that all Councils are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program.

Assured that all Ceremonials were exemplified as to Supreme's highest standards.

I also represented the State Deputy at all the meetings at:

Our Lady Star of the Sea Council #7122

Saint Andrews Council #5086

Saint James Council #7531

Church of the Resurrection Council #14892

And the newly formed Council Pier Giorgio Frassati Council #17824

I performed the following duties by attending 35 Council meetings and also the Installation of Officers for Councils #5086, #7122, #7531, #14892, #17824
Attended 8 Council Degrees of Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

Submitted Mid-Year District report on all Council's status.
Worked with all Councils, assuring they submitted all forms to Supreme.
Attended the DD organizational meeting and Installation of State Officers.
Attended Mid-summer organization meeting.
Grand Knights Meeting.
Virtual meetings for DD and State.

Assisted Councils 7122, 5086, 7531 with the Affiliate Program.
Planning for the upcoming State Convention at the Landmark Resort,
Myrtle Beach and attended 12 meetings in the process of the convention planning.
Formed a new Council at Carolina Forest #17824 that started with 38
members and is now over 66 members.
I am working on forming a new College Council at the Newman Center for
Coastal Carolina University.

Fraternally Submitted,

Thomas O'Donnell
District Deputy #3
South Carolina State Council



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DISTRICT DEPUTY ANNUAL REPORT

July 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy, I have filled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District 4. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured the the Councils are financially stable,
- Assured ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence, and
- Assured that the Councils have an activate Faith in Action Program exemplifying the principles of the Order.

As District Deputy, I attended the District Deputy Organizational Meeting at the Installation of State Officers and District deputies in Florence on June 26, 2021. I attended the GK Workshop held July 24, 2021 in Florence. I also attended the District Deputy Midyear Meeting on December 11, 2021 in Hilton Head and the Grand Knight Midyear Meeting in Columbia on February 5, 2022.

In addition to all the above State Council Meetings, as the District Deputy, I attended and participated in the Pro-Life Dinner and March to the State Capitol held in Columbia January 7 and 8, 2022.

As District Deputy 4, I represented the State Deputy at:

- Msgr George Lewis Smith Council 3684 in Aiken, SC, and
- Fr Joseph J Murphy Council 7062 in North Augusta, SC.

I performed the following duties in addition to making 14 Council visits:

- Installation of officers of Councils 3684 and 7062,
- Evaluated three Charity, Unity and Fraternity Exemplification ceremonies in Aiken (July 28, 2021 and September 29, 2021) and North Augusta (February 8, 2022),
- Conducted a District Meeting (August 1, 2021), and
- Submitted the mid-year District Deputy Report on Council Status.

This fraternal year is a very rewarding year and the hospitality extended to my wife and me at all events attended was greatly appreciated.

Fraternally submitted,

Ed Wilcox
District Deputy 4
South Carolina State Council



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District Deputy's Annual Report

July 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District 5. As an extension of the Supreme Knights supervisory and Ceremonial authority I have:

Assured that the Councils are Financially stable.
Assured ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence.
Assured that the Councils with the Faith in Action program.

As District Deputy, I attended the Admission meeting of the State Council during the 2021-2022 Fraternal year at the Installation of State Officers and District Deputies in Florence, South Carolina June 25-27, 2021. I also attended the Grand Knights Workshop on July 24, 2021. I also attended District Deputies meeting in Hilton Head December 10-12,, 2022. Also attended Mid Winter Grand Knights meeting on February 5, 2022 in Columbia.

As District Deputy 5 I represented the State Deputy at:
Reverend David J. Schiller Council 11910 Summerville, SC
Father Brian Martin Council 8502 Walterboro, SC
Father Ronald P. Anderson Council 8900, North Charleston, SC
Msgr. Richard C. Madden Council 6629, Summerville, SC

I performed the following duties in addition to making approximately 35 meetings so far for the fraternal year.

Installed 1 Council Officers in July 2021 Council 6629, Council 11910 had a Past State Deputy and Covid restrictions still at Council 8900. The 4th Council 8502 was installed by a Former District Deputy.

Conducted District Soccer Shootout October 16, 2022 at the YMCA in Summerville. Council 6629 was the only Council to participate.



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Conducted two District Deputy Organizational Meetings on August 1, 2021 and try having one in April 2022.

Conducted Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest with the help of Councils 6629 and Council 8502 with three of the District winners, and one moving on to Supreme.

Catholic Essay Contest one of our children from Council 11910 moved on to Supreme Competition.

This has been a very rewarding and challenging year. I really enjoyed the hospitality of each of the Councils along with my wife. Thank you.

Fraternally submitted,

Joe Friend
District Deputy District 5
South Carolina State Council



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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT

NORTHWEST TERRITORY - DISTRICT #6

July 2021 – April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District #6. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are financially stable.
- Assured ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence.
- Assured that the Councils have an active Faith In Action programs exemplifying the principles of the Order.
- Assured that all councils are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy #6, I represented the State Deputy in the Northwest Territory at:

- St. Gerard Majella Council #6884 in Seneca, SC
- Fr. Francis A. Friend Council #8295 in Anderson, SC
- Peter T. Villano, Sr. Council #9576 in Pickens, SC

I also performed the following duties in addition to making 38 Council visits (includes leadership/officer meetings)

- Attended 2 on-site Hispanic Recruitment Presentations
- Conducted initial training session for new Grand Knight of 8295
- Participated in South Carolina **“Stand Up For Life”** January 8th march and rally held in Columbia.
- Attended State sponsored Grand Knight Organizational Meeting
- Represented State Deputy in attending 7 Knights funerals
- Attend bi-monthly Supreme Public Relations Update Calls
- Attended Blessed Fr. McGivney Feast Mass with Bishop
- 6 New Format Live Degree Practices & Exemplifications; DD#6 is Exemplification Warden
- Represented State Deputy in two different Special Olympics charity presentations
- 3 onsite Council Church Drives
- Attended various council family social events
- Represented State Deputy at Catholic School flag raising ceremony
- Coordinate Ultrasound initiative with district #6 councils, in progress
- Participate in local 40 Days for Life campaign
- Attended December District Deputy mid-year meeting in Hilton Head
- I completed my District Deputy Training and received my certificate on December 8, 2021



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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT

NORTHWEST TERRITORY - DISTRICT #6

July 2021 – April 2022

- I conducted the installation of Officers of councils #6884, #8295 & #9576 in July 2021
- Personally delivered 80 cases of anti-bacterial wipes to Hope Women's Center, Piedmont Women's Center & Birthright of Greenville
- Created State reservation logistics travel sheets for St. Joseph ICON
- I led the State's Public Relations initiative regarding council activities and participated in monthly Supreme PR call-ins
- I participate in College Council initiatives and help with the monthly Clemson University Catholic student suppers
- Conducted District Organizational Meetings
- Submitted the mid-year District Deputy Report #944-B on Councils' Status; December 2021

Since July 2021, I have completed the following Supreme Webinar Fraternal Training Seminars with Certificates:

What Officers Need to Know, Guidelines for Conducting Council Meetings, Faith In Action and Your Councils, Church Drives & Membership Engagements, Enhancing Member Experience, District Deputy 2.0, Star Tracker Orientation, Raising Your Councils Profile, Affiliated Member Training, Special Needs Webinar

As a 35yr. resident of Easley, I serve my parish as an Usher and participate in my local Council 9576 Lenten fish fries and Adopt-A-Highway community activities.

This was an incredibly challenging year as District Deputy. It has been wonderful to see the warm welcome that each council has afforded my wife and I as they always look forward to her participation in their local events. I am anticipating a few more years of service to the Knights of Columbus and the State of South Carolina as District Deputy.

Fraternally submitted,

Donald E. Thurlow

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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT

April 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District 7. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are financially stable
- Assured that ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence
- Assured councils have an active Faith in Action Program exemplifying the principles of the Order
- Assured that all councils are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy 7I represented the State Deputy at:

- Fr. Scott F. Buchanan Council 15223
- Corpus Christi Council 11325
- Holy Trinity Catholic Church Council 6891
- Saint Joseph Council 12554

I performed the following duties in addition of holding weekly Zoom Meeting with all Council Grand Knights:

- Installation of officers at Council #11325, #6891, #12554, beginning July through August.
- Held once a quarter Exemplifications of Charity, Unity and Fraternity within District 7.
- Conducted one virtual District Meeting in March 2022 to review the Affiliate Member Lists before submission with GKs and FS in attendance.
- Submitted mid-year District Report on Council Status January 2022; reviewed with the State Deputy.
- Worked with all Councils educating and assuring that they submitted Forms 100's to Supreme and 450's on all new brothers joining and attending Exemplifications.
- Participated in all 11325 (home council) activities



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- Participated with Council 11325 as the Zoom technician and all Fish Frys and Soups
- Met with active members of 15223 to determine with State Deputy best course of action for inactive council with only 7 active member with a roster of 44. Current voting of Council to become a round table joined with Orangeburg Council 6891.
- Participated in Saint Josephs Insurance and Investment Strategy Meeting which included moral and ethical investing strategies education and information session.

I will attend SC State Conventions in April 2022 in Myrtle Beach. During this reporting period; I attended the DD Organizational Meeting/ Installation of State and District Deputy's as well the Mid-Summer Organizational Meeting . Attended over 5 Virtual State and DD monthly meetings. Attended GK Bootcamp In February 2022.

I believe that my District has made great strides in recruitment. We are over 200% of goal in the District with one council exceeding 300% of goal. I have personally recruited 5 new members in the last month. The inactivity of 15223 with no reports or forms being submitted due to personal issues no new elected officers and inability to have a forum due to demographics of council and Covid restrictions has been a challenge. I fully expect 11325 to exceed all goals and reach Star Council this year. The recruiting in other Councils has been very slow and difficult. The Affiliate Member Program will give each of the under performing councils an opportunity to improve membership in the future. All reports submitted by all councils with the exception of 15223 because of no elected leadership and refusal of last elected leadership to continue in positions due to medical and personal issues. Looking forward to great things in the up in coming Fraternal Year.

Fraternally submitted,

Richard W. Swain, Ph.D.
District Deputy #7
South Carolina Council



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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT

July 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to councils within District #8. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that the councils are financially stable
- Assured ceremonials are exemplified at the highest level of excellence
- Assured that the Councils have an active Surge Program exemplifying the Principles of the Order
- Assured that all councils are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy I attended all the State Council in person meetings and all the virtual meetings.

As District Deputy #8, I represented the State Deputy at:

- Msgr Andrew K Gwynn council 1668 in Greenville, SC
- George L Gagnon council 8182 in Mauldin, SC
- Rev Paul D O'Toole council 10819 in Simpsonville, SC
- Msgr Baum council 13112 in Greenville, SC
- Rev Vince Capodanno council 15960 in Newberry, Joanna and Laurens, SC

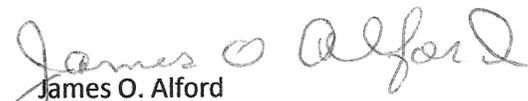
I performed the following duties in addition to making 9 in person council visits and 5 virtual council visits.

- Install officers of councils 1668 10819, 13112, 8182 and 15960
- Facilitated two Charity, Unity and Fraternity Degrees for council 10819 at SMMCC and three Degrees for council 1668 at OLR.
- Submitted the mid-year District Deputy Report on council status.
- Scheduled and conducted District level Soccer challenges and Free Throw contest

I continue to serve my parish as Lead Usher at the 11:00 am Mass each Sunday and usher as needed on all special Holy Day Masses.

This has been a very busy and successful year. It was also very rewarding to see how some of the brother knights in several of my councils recovered from the pandemic and got the job done. I appreciate the help I have received and will have in the future as I work to get all my councils doing the work they should be doing.

Fraternally submitted,


James O. Alford
District Deputy #8



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April 1, 2022

DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT July 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District #9. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Verified that the Councils are financially stable
- Witnessed that ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence and offered suggestions for improvement.
- Communicated and encouraged the Councils have an active Faith in Action Program
- Communicated, encouraged and explained how councils are to be fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy I represented the State Deputy at:

- Rev P.N. Lynch Council #704 in Charleston, SC nine regular meetings
- Pope John XXIII Council #6250 in Charleston, SC four regular meetings
- Rev Msgr. John L McLaughlin Council #9475 in Mount Pleasant, SC four regular meetings
- Rev John J Egan Council #10334 in Charleston, SC three regular meetings
- St Finbar Council #17760 in Charleston, SC three regular meetings
- Fr J McCarthy Council #12472 four regular meetings.

I performed the following duties in addition to making 27 Council Business Meetings:

- Installation of officers of Council #704, #6250, #10334. (The officers of #9475 and 17760 were installed in June 2021 by the previous DD).
- Evaluated 9 Council-led exemplifications of Charity, Unity, Fraternity within my district
- Set up monthly exemplifications at each council for membership growth.
- Our District Participated in the State Free Throw Championship
- Our District Participated in the Community Essay Contest.
- Our District Participated in the Keep Christ In Christmas Poster Contest.
- Conducted one District Meetings (Aug, 2022).
- Submitted the mid-year District Deputy Report on Council Status.
- I attended the DD Organizational Meeting and Installation of Officers and the DD mid- winter meeting in Hilton Head
- I attended the Grand Knight Organizational meeting in the summer session. Will attend the State Charity Ball/ Convention.
- Attended Council #10334 Birthday for America event.
- Attended council #12472 Night at the movies parish event
- I made sure to share and inspire inter council communications in the district to help the councils support each other's fundraisers and events. "Sharing is Caring" program.
- Planning a summer district cook out.
- Sent out monthly communications and/or communications from the State Council, Supreme Council.
- Created a District Facebook Page in an attempt to centralize district councils events and announcements. It's a work in progress.

I also serve the state council as a member of the College Council Committee.

As a first year District Deputy I made some mistakes, wish I could be at every meeting of every council. I enjoy the exposure to the different councils and how they uniquely fulfill the title and live in the spirit of the Knights of Columbus. I am already thinking about next year and how I can better fill gaps left open this year.

Fraternally submitted,

Paul Setti
District Deputy #9
South Carolina State Council



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District Deputy #11 Annual Report

July 20, 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy #11, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District #11. As an extension of The Supreme Knights supervisory and ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are financially stable
- Assured the Ceremonials are exemplified at the highest level of excellence
- Assured Councils have an active Faith in Action program
- Assured that all councils are fully compliant with Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy #11, I represented the State Deputy at:

- St. Mary's Council #3067 Georgetown, SC
- St. Michael's Council # 8980 Garden City, SC
- Precious Blood of Christ #11028, Pawleys Island, SC

I performed the following duties in addition to making over 22 (twenty-two) Council visits:

- Installation of Officers at Councils, #3067, #8980, #11028 in July 2021
- Evaluated 4 (four) Council – led Exemplifications of Charity, Unity and Fraternity
- Submitted Mid-Year District report on Council's status
- Worked with all Councils, assuring that they submitted forms 100 and 450's to Supreme
- Attended DD organizational meeting – Installation
- Attended Mid-summer organization meeting
- Grand Knights Meeting – February 2022
- Virtual State and DD monthly meetings



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Participated: In Laying Wreaths Across America, Florence National Cemetery, December 2021

Placing & Removing Flags at Hillcrest Cemetery for Memorial Day and Veterans Day

Weekly Ushering at St. Michael's

Council 8980 Food drives

Free Throw and Soccer Contests

Help weekly with Students in Need Program at Socastee and St. James High Schools

Attended Council 8980 monthly Rosary and Breakfasts

Assisted and Participated in Assembly 2107 Annual 911 Tribute

Assisted Council 8980 and 11028 with Affiliate Programs

Assisting Council 3067 with upcoming 75th Anniversary Program

Planning upcoming State Convention at Landmark Resort, Myrtle Beach SC

Over 10 (ten) Convention meetings with District 3 and 11

Fraternally Submitted,

John H. Luse

District Deputy # 11

South Carolina Council



**Frank Love
SC District Deputy
District 12**



**District Deputy Annual Report
July 2021 through April 2022**

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy within District # 12. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial Authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are financially stable
- Remained in contact with my councils see how they are recovering from the pandemic.
- Provided information and guidance to my councils on numerous programs including Faith in Action.

As District Deputy, I attended the virtual state convention 2020-2021 Fraternal year, I attended the Installation of State Officers and District Deputies in Florence and I attended the virtual GK training which was also held in Florence. I attended the Mid Winter meeting in Columbia and I also attended monthly state officer meetings.

In addition to those duties I was also an active member of Council 5194 in Florence where I served as an Altar Server at St. Anthony Catholic Church. I also serve as Chairman of the Finance Committee for St. Anthony Catholic Church,

As District Deputy # 12 I represented the State Deputy at:

- Msgr. Charles D. Wood Council 5194 in Florence, SC
- Fr. Louis R. Williamson Council 8123 in Hartsville, SC
- Rev. A. A. Pikunas Council 8790 in Dillon, SC
- Tri-Cities Council 10867 in Cheraw, SC – Should be noted this council is not currently active.

During the past fraternal year I performed the following duties during my term:

- Installed officers at Councils 5194 and 8123.
- Worked to transfer members of Council 10867 to other councils as that council has become inactive.
- Attended Council Business Meetings
- Represented the State at a Degree Ceremony in Florence
- Worked with my councils to identify members to be transferred to the Affiliate Membership program.

This year has been a much better year for recruiting and it appears that Council 5194 is on track for Star Council. As this is my last report as District Deputy now that my term is ending I would like to say that I have very much appreciated the opportunity to serve as a District Deputy in the Knights of Columbus. It is an experience I will always treasure.

Fraternally Submitted,

Frank Love
District Deputy # 12
Florence, SC



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DISTRICT DEPUTY #13 ANNUAL REPORT Fraternal Year 2021 through 2022

As District Deputy #13, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy of South Carolina to Councils within District #13 to the very best of my ability. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that Councils 6726, 11471 and 11991 are financially stable. The financial statement and records are in the possession of SC State Council.
- Assured that the ceremonials are exemplified per the new Exemplification scripts, and are exemplified at the highest level of excellence. All of the Exemplifications have been conducted in-person.
- Assured that Councils 6726, 11471 and 11991 have an active and viable Surge Program supporting Faith in Action, and exemplifying the principles of the Order

As District Deputy #13, I represented the State Deputy at:

- Donald J. Godfrey Council 6726 in Hanahan/Goose Creek, SC
- Our Lady of the Lakes Council 11471 in Moncks Corner/Bonneau, SC
- Immaculate Conception Council 11991 in Goose Creek, SC

Attended Member Meetings:

- 6726 – 13 May 2021, 10 June 2021, 8 July 2021, 12 August 2021, 9 September 2021, 14 October 2021, 11 November 2021, 9 December 2021, 13 January 2022, 10 February 2022, 10 March 2022, and will attend their 10 May 2022 and 19 June 2022 meetings.
- 6900 – No meetings were held. The Council is inactive.
- 11471 – 11 May 2021, 8 June 2021, 13 July 2021, 10 August 2021, 14 September 2021, 12 October 2021, 9 November 2021, 14 December 2021, 11 January 2022, 8 February 2022, 8 March 2022, and will attend their 10 May 2022 and 14 June 2022 meetings.
- 11991 – 6 May 2021, 3 June 2021, 1 July 2021, 5 August 2021, 2 September 2021, 7 October 2021, 4 November 2021, 2 December 2021, 6 January 2022, 3 February 2022, 3 March 2022, 7 April 2022, and will attend their 5 May 2022 and 2 June 2022 meetings.

The South Carolina District 13 Councils were granted approval through the Diocese and respective Parishes to remain open during the continuing pandemic providing they operated within the Parish and Diocesan health and safety guidelines. I performed the following duties in addition to making 34 Council visits:



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- Installation of this Council's Officers was conducted by a former District Deputy on or about 10 June 2021.
- Performed the installation of Officers of Council 11471 on 10 August 2021
- Performed the installation of Officers of Council 11991 on 17 June 2021

One primary responsibility of my role as District Deputy is to strongly encourage and support membership growth and retention within the scope of my District. I am most happy to report that all of the three active Councils in my District are poised to earn STAR Council designation and the District should again achieve the distinction as STAR District.

- Evaluated 8 Exemplifications of Charity, Unity and Fraternity Degree ceremonies held within District #13 with a total of 18 candidates. Some were reapplication/readmission members and two were presented as joint Spanish/English Degrees.
- Conducted one District Meeting on 8 September 2021. A second District Meeting was planned for 16 February 2022, rescheduled for 9 March 2022 but was not held due to calendar overrun. We conducted information sharing by email and telephone conferences.
- Submitted the mid-year District Deputy Report on Council Status.
- Throughout the Fraternal Year, I attended almost all of the Supreme Fraternal Training webinars conducted by Brother Knight Daryl Barrios, and the Southeast Regional Growth training webinars hosted by the Supreme Regional Growth Director David Tebo and his team, as well as additional Knightcasts.
- Each month, the State Deputy presented a virtual meeting with all of the SC State Officers and District Deputies, and I was able to attend most of them, schedule permitting.

In spite of the Corona-19 virus pandemic safety and health restrictions, I had the honor of attending and participating in many Faith in Action and fraternal functions:

- 17-18 April 2021, After working with State Officers and DD5 and DD9 to help set up the 100th South Carolina State Convention to be held in Summerville, SC, it was decided to hold it as virtual. The Mass and awards presentation was telecast from The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Charleston, SC on 18 April 2021.
- Assisted with the presentation of the Patriotic Rosary hosted by Council 11991 at Immaculate Conception Church on 29 May 2021 in celebration of Memorial Day. Also assisted with the presentation of the Patriotic Rosary hosted by Council 11991 at Immaculate Conception Church on 13 November 2021 in celebration of Veterans Day. These normally would have been presented at the Veterans Victory Home in Walterboro but we were unable to offer due to Covid-19 restrictions. Other District Councils and parishes were invited.



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- Assisted Council 11991 with the preparation of the Keep Christ in Christmas float that was brought to the Veterans Victory Home in Walterboro for a Christmas Parade around their facility. The float was again brought to the City of Goose Creek "Holiday" Parade the following day. Of the over eighty units in the parade, other than a couple of choral groups, this was the only Christian-based float in the entire parade.
- 24 July 2021, Attended and participated in the District Deputy/Grand Knight training in Florence SC
- Attended the DD Mid-Winter Meeting in Anderson, SC on December 11-12
- On St. Valentines weekend, worked with Council 11991 members who planned a Renewal of Marriage Vows ceremony at each Mass held at the Parish and Mission Church. Consecration to the Holy Family prayer cards were distributed.
- Regrettably we lost several respected Knights who were essential to the growth of the Knights within the State. I attended and participated in the Memorial Mass for FDD and Fourth Degree Marshal Larry Huff on 21 October 2021 in Sumter, SC and for several District members.
- 16 November 2021, Attended the presentation of the Hispanic Recruitment Training held at Immaculate Conception Church.
- 10-12 December 2021, Attended the State Officers and District Deputy Mid-Winter meeting in Hilton Head, SC

Other meetings, events and opportunities in chronological order:

- 22 April 2021, Viewed the Joe Jordan financial presentation with other members of Councils 6726 and 11991.
- 2 May 2021, South Carolina State Officers installation and District Deputy meeting
- 22 May 2021, Attended and participated in the Fourth Degree Exemplification in Irmo, SC
- 26 May 2021, Delivered several hundred pounds of non-perishable food, clothing and monetary donations to the Felician Center in Kingstree, SC
- 31 May 2021, Attended and participated in the Memorial Day ceremony conducted at Summerville Cemetery in Summerville, SC
- 4-5 June 2021, Facilitated the receipt of the Silver Rose Pilgrim Icon at District 13 and conducted the Marian service for the Icon at Immaculate Conception Church
- 12 June 2021, Participated in the Priest Ordination of Rev. Rafael Ghattas for the Diocese of Charleston
- 16 June 2021, Facilitated the Retirement of United States Flags with District Councils, hosted by Council 6726 and assisted by BSA Troop 777 of Immaculate Conception
- 17 June 2021, Conducted the Installation of Officers ceremony at Council 11991
- 24 June 2021, Conducted the Installation of Officers for both Council 9475 and Assembly 3243 at St. Benedict's Catholic Church in Mount Pleasant, SC



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- 25-27 June 2021, Attended and actively participated in the South Carolina State Officers/District Deputy Organizational Meeting in Florence, SC
- 7 July 2021, Conducted the Installation of Officers for Assembly 1900 in Summerville, SC
- 11 July 2021, Participated in the Closing Mass of the 200th Bicentennial Anniversary of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston, South Carolina
- 24 July 2021, Attended and participated in the District Deputy/Grand Knight training in Florence SC
- 13 August 2021, Participated in the Installation of Officers for Assembly 3697
- 25 August 2021, Attended in the Fraternal Benefits online (Zoom) webinar
- 8 September 2021, Attended the Memorial Service for Brother Knight Dominic Dermine
- 11 September 2021, Attended and participated in the Fourth Degree Exemplification held at St. John the Beloved, Summerville, SC
- 15 September 2021, Attended the Mass and Memorial Service for Brother Knight Dennis Yangco
- 2 October 2021, Participated in the Life Chain at Immaculate Conception
- 9 October 2021, Prayed the Rosary and held a two-hour prayerful vigil at the Planned Parenthood center in Charleston for the unborn as part of 40 Days for Life
- 13 October 2021, Attended the Memorial Mass for deceased Mother-in-Law of Brother Knight Michael Tezza
- 21 October 2021, Attended the Mass and Memorial Service for Sir Knight Larry Huff, with interment at the National Cemetery on Fort Jackson, SC
- 24 October 2021, Presented the STAR award to the GK, DGK, FS and Membership Director of Council 11991 following 9:30am Mass at Immaculate Conception
- 24-25 October 2021, Attended and participated in the Memorial and Mass for Brother Sir Knight Nazario Yangco
- 7 November 2021, Presented the Double STAR award to the GK, FS and Membership Director of Council 6726 following the 10:30am Mass at Divine Redeemer
- 11 November 2021, Participated in the Summerville Veterans Day Ceremony held at the Dorchester County Administration Building, Summerville, SC
- 13 November 2021, Attended the Hispanic Recruitment Training in Simpsonville, SC
- 14 November 2021, Attended and participated in the Mass and Community Breakfast for Council 11991 at Immaculate Conception
- 18 December 2021, Participated in the National Wreaths Across America ceremony at Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, SC
- 28 December 2021, Participated in the ceremony for the Conferral of Deacon Ordination of Christopher Brendan Loester, and Admission to Candidacy for Holy Orders of Justin Daniel Damask, Michael Boshra Ghattas, and Daniel Lawrence Perry for the Diocese of Charleston at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Charleston



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- 8 January 2022, Participated at the South Carolina Proudly Pro-Life March and Rally held in Columbia, SC
- 15 February 2022, Attended Affiliate Membership Program online training
- 19 February 2022, Attended and actively participated in the Fourth Degree Exemplification held in Lexington, SC
- 23 February 2022, Attended the Knights of Columbus financial “Special Needs” webinar
- 8-10 March 2022, Attended portions of a Lenten Mission and Retreat at Immaculate Conception Church entitled “*Lent - Who does Jesus call me to be?*” presented by Sr. Kathy Adamski OSF, MA Theology, MS Counseling. Sr. Kathy is the Associate Director of Spirituality and Formation for Ministry with the Diocese of Charleston
- 16 March 2022, Facilitated the Retirement of United States Flags with District Councils, hosted by Council 6726 and assisted by BSA Troop 777 of Immaculate Conception
- 29 March 2022, Attended the Mass and Communion Breakfast hosted by Council 11991 in Goose Creek in celebration of Founder’s Day
- 30 March 2022, Participated in the Confirmation Mass and Ceremony with celebrant Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, JCD, Archdiocese for the Military
- 22-24 April 2022, Will attend and actively participate in the 101st SC State Convention in Myrtle Beach, SC

Council 6900: The Citadel Council 6900 has been designated as inactive. The status of this College Council and its membership has not changed. A recent transfer to the State Council from another state and former DD should prove instrumental in reenergizing the Citadel Council and developing other State College and University Councils, possibly through Round Tables and other initiatives.

Council 6726: A very consistent performer and strong membership growth. The initially installed Grand Knight from Council 6726 found it necessary to step down for medical reasons. A new Grand Knight was elected and installed and has done a good job despite lack of experience. He does have adequate support from the Trustees and previous leadership and has been nominated for another fraternal year. The Financial Secretary has received transfer orders and will be leaving the area soon after the fraternal year. A new Financial Secretary will need to be appointed. My understanding is a former Grand Knight has volunteered and is being considered.

Council 11471: The Council has performed well but in moderation. My opinion is the Grand Knight has been in the position for almost five years and the Council needs to appoint a new Grand Knight. Growth of the Council is being stifled. The Council has brought in several Hispanic members who seem to have a great deal of energy. The Hispanic Recruitment training appears to have energized the community and I envision a large and active growth from this community. They tend to think and operate outside the box, but continue to focus primarily on their local Parish and it’s needs.



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Council 11991: The Council has consistently performed above the norm. They most strongly adhere to the Faith in Action model, and have completed many of the program elements. The current Grand Knight will be stepping down after one year in office, and a long-time member has indicated his interest in the position. The Brother Knight is a retired senior military officer who is heavily involved in the Parish Council, RCIA, Youth Ministry, Choir and other Parish ministries. The Council has been able to draw greater interest in the large Spanish community and is using a newly reestablished Round Table to advantage.

I was invited to all of the Councils' meetings, socials and work opportunities and was able to attend many. The hospitality extended to me and the encouragement and friendship they offered was greatly appreciated.

Overall, through the challenges of this responsibility in view of the restrictions imposed by the Covid-19 pandemic and several procedural changes imposed by Supreme Council, the year was very rewarding. Each Council is strong in at least some of the Faith in Action areas, and remains supportive in others. I am most proud that the three active Councils are all poised to potentially earn STAR Council status. This would be the second time that District 13 could and should earn STAR District status thanks to the innovative thinking and dedication by each of the Councils.

I regret that for family, personal and health reasons it will be necessary for me to step down as District Deputy at the end of this Fraternal Year (2021-2022). I am actively pursuing my relief whom I hope to identify soon in order to prepare.

Fraternally submitted,

Michael P. Cousino

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District Deputy #13

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District 14

District Deputy Annual Report
July 2021 thru April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to the Councils within District #14. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are financially stable
- Assured ceremonials are exemplified at the highest level of excellence
- Assured that the Councils have an active Faith in Action Program
- Assured that all Councils are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy I represent the State Deputy at:

- Fr Maurice R Daly Council #6076 in Spartanburg, SC
- Prince of Peace Foothills Council #9184 in Taylors, SC
- Mary Queen of Peace Council #9575 in Spartanburg, SC
- Blessed Trinity Council #12274 in Greer, SC
- Vincent Caggiano Council #12995 in Gaffney, SC
- St Rafca Council #155519 in Greer, SC

I performed the following duties in addition to making over 45 Council visits:

- Installed the Officers of Council #6076, #9184, #9575, #12274, #12995, #15519
- Evaluated 5 Council-led exemplifications of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity
- Submitted the mid-year District Deputy Report on Council Status

I attended the DD Organizational Meeting and Installation of Officers June 25-27 in Florence SC.

I attended the Grand Knights workshop July 24 in Florence SC.

I attended the DD Mid-winter meeting 12/10-12/12/21 in Hilton Head SC.

I attended the Grand Knights Mid-winter meeting 2/4-2/6/2022 in Columbia SC.

I continue to serve my parish as an usher at the 5:00pm mass on Saturday nights.

This has been a very rewarding year, and the hospitality extended to my at all events I attended was greatly appreciated.

Fraternally submitted,

William Weiss
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District Deputy #14

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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT

April 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District 15. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are financially stable
- Assured that ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence
- Assured councils have an active Faith in Action Program exemplifying the principle of the Order
- Assured that all councils are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy 15 I represented the State Deputy at:

- Council 14475 All Saints
- Council 14765 Lady of Grace
- Council 12366 Bishop Dennis J O'Connell

I performed the following duties in addition to making over 54 Council Visits

- Submitted for approval for Appointment for District 15 Warden
- Installation of Officers for Council #14475- All Saints, Council #14765- Our Lady of Grace, Council #12366- Bishop Dennis J O'Connell beginning July through August
- Evaluated 4 Council-led Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity within District 15
- Conducted various meetings with Grand Knight directly to enhance ongoing programs
- Hosted quarterly blood drives for Council 12366
- Instituted donation of American Flag from Fr. Michael J. McGivney Assembly 3149 to South Carolina National Guard Armory at Fort Mill
- Instituted program of Assembly 3149 to provide coffee and donuts for SC National Guard Armory
- Instituted program for Assembly 3149 Honor Guard to participate with Fort Mill American Legion on Memorial Day Ceremony at Fort Mill
- Delivered check from Assembly 3149 to Fort Mill American Legion Veterans Christmas Gift Program
- Delivered Project Hope checks for Council 12366
- Forwarded various emails to Grand Knight
- Meeting with Insurance agents for additional planning
- Submitted District Report on council statuses, reviewed with the State Deputy



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Provide Assistance and Guidance in Council's Participation of programs such as Affiliate Members Program and Compliance with State Convention requirements, SC Raffle ticket sales and their many In-Council programs.

I will be attending the SC Convention in April 2022 in Myrtle Beach. During this reporting period: I attended the DD Organizational Meeting/ Installation of State and District Deputy's as well as the Mid-Summer Organizational Meeting. Attend over 5 Virtual State and DD Meetings. Attended the GK Bootcamp in February 2022

I continue to serve my parish as a Usher.

This was a very rewarding year and the hospitality was greatly appreciated.

Fraternally Submitted,
James W. Carswell
District Deputy #15
South Carolina State Council



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DISTRICT DEPUTY'S ANNUAL REPORT

April 2021 through April 2022

As District Deputy, I have fulfilled my responsibilities as the representative of the Supreme Knight and the State Deputy to Councils within District 16. As an extension of the Supreme Knight's supervisory and Ceremonial authority, I have:

- Assured that the Councils are financially stable
- Assured that ceremonies are exemplified at the highest level of excellence
- Assured councils have an active Faith in Action Program exemplifying the principles of the Order
- Assured that all councils are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Program

As District Deputy 16 I represented the State Deputy at:

- Bishop John England Council 724 in Columbia, SC
- Our Lady of the Hills Council 6892 in Irmo, SC
- Fr. John B. Adair Council 7129 in Greenwood, SC
- Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Council 16903 in Chapin, SC

I performed the following duties in addition to making over 43 Council visits:

- Installation of officers at Council #724, #6892, #7129, #16903 beginning July through August.
- Evaluated 2 Council-led Exemplifications of Charity, Unity and Fraternity within District 16.
- Conducted one virtual District Meeting in March 2022 to review the Affiliate Member Lists before submission with GKs and FS in attendance.
- Submitted mid-year District Report on Council Status February 2022; reviewed with the State Deputy.
- Worked with all Councils educating and assuring that they submitted Forms 100's to Supreme and 450's on all new brothers joining and attending Exemplifications.
- Participated in 16903 (home council) Christmas and Boston Butt Sale fund drives.



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- Participated with Council 724 as an usher every month at the Minor Basilica of St Peter's and helped with 2 Fish Frys during.
- Conducted remedial teaching sessions with Council 6892 leadership on officer duties, responsibilities and conflict resolution.
- Explored the possibility of College Councils at the University of South Carolina and Lander University.
- Participated in "First Responder Awards Dinner" sponsored by Assembly 1072 December 2021.

I will attend SC State Conventions in April 2022 in Myrtle Beach. During this reporting period; I attended the DD Organizational Meeting/ Installation of State and District Deputy's as well the Mid-Summer Organizational Meeting . Attended over 5 Virtual State and DD monthly meetings. Attended GK Bootcamp In February 2022.

I continue to be a Capital Campaign Supporter for the new additions to my home parish, the Minor Basilica of St Peters.

I believe that my District has made great strides in recruitment. We are over 60% of goal at this writing. I believe 2 of my Councils have a shot at Star Council this Fraternal Year if recruitment continues at the present pace. Looking forward to great things in the up in coming Fraternal Year.

Fraternally submitted,

Thomas C. Armel
District Deputy #16
South Carolina Council