



June 1, 2024

Mr. Patrick T. Mason
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Subject: 103rd South Carolina State Convention Minutes

Worthy Supreme Secretary,

Enclosed is a copy of the minutes from the 103rd South Carolina State Convention held on April 5th-7th, 2024, in Spartanburg, SC.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Fraternally Yours,

J. Scott Friedman
State Secretary
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cc: Jeffrey M. Crouch, State Deputy



Minutes of the
103rd South Carolina State Convention

April 05 – 07, 2024

Spartanburg – Marriott

Spartanburg, SC

State Secretary
J. Scott Friedman

ATTACHMENTS

1. Report of the State Deputy Fraternal Year 2023 - 2024
2. Report on 103rd Convention Parliamentary Rules
3. Report of the State Secretary
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6. Report of the Membership Director
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9. Report on the Columbus Hope Foundation
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13. Report of Budget and Finance Committee
14. Awards

Friday April 05,2024

Delegates and their families arrived on Friday. The first advertised event was Mass celebrated by State Chaplain Reverend Robert Higgins. This was followed by a welcome event that included food trucks, music, games, and of course the famous South Carolina Red Cup Raffle.

Business Meeting Saturday, April 06,2024

CALL TO ORDER:

State Deputy, Jeffrey M. Crouch, called the 103rd Annual State Convention to order at 9:30 A.M. on Saturday, April 06, 2024, at the [Spartanburg Marriott](#), South Carolina.

State Chaplain, Fr. Robert Higgins led the opening prayer and District 6 Warden Christopher Carter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS:

State Deputy, Jeffrey M. Crouch introduced the State Officers: State Warden, Lupe Jimenez, State Advocate, Dr. Richard Swain, State Treasure, Sherrill “Ed” Wilcox, State Secretary, J. Scott Friedman, Immediate Past State Deputy Paul V. Burchell, and State Chaplain, Rev. Robert F. Higgins. The State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch introduced the Supreme Guest, Thomas J. Perretta Jr, PSD Paul V. Burchell, and the following: Past State Deputies: James P Nettles, Stephen T Dunlap, Richard A. Gabriel, Michael A. Allen, Richard Kohler, and General Agent Robert Boni.

REPORT OF THE STATE DEPUTY FRATERNAL YEAR 2023 – 2024:

Immediate Past State Deputy, Paul V. Burchell, assumed the chair for introducing the State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch, who presented his annual report. **Attachment 1**

ADDRESS BY THE STATE CHAPLAIN:

Our State Chaplain, Rev Robert F Higgins, addressed the State Convention.

ADDRESS BY THE SUPREME GUEST:

Supreme Guest Tom Perretta addressed the State Convention.

The State Deputy and his wife Rebecca presented a gift to the Supreme guest on behalf of the South Carolina State Council.

ADDRESS BY THE GENERAL AGENT:

Our General Agent, Robert Boni, addressed the State Convention.

ADDRESS BY THE FIRST LADY:

Rebecca Crouch addressed the State Council personally thanking the ladies for all that they do and highlighting that their support of their husbands is a special kind of service that without it, the Knights of Columbus would be unable to accomplish all the works that they do.

State Deputy, Jeffrey M. Crouch, recessed the meeting for lunch at 1100 AM followed by the Fourth Degree Exemplification.

Fourth Degree Exemplification

Fourth Degree Candidates assembled at 12:00PM

Fourth Degree Exemplification at 1:00PM

BUSINESS SESSION: Call to Order

The meeting was reconvened at 3:30 PM and called to order by State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch.

TEMPORARY ROLL CALL OF DELEGATES:

State Secretary, J. Scott Friedman, presented the temporary roll call and reported there are 89 delegates, 28 alternate delegates and 18 non-voting delegates representing 47 of the 63 councils.

PARLIAMENTARY RULES FOR THE CONVENTION

Parliamentarian, Richard A. Gabriel, PSD, explained the proper procedure to follow to gain the floor in order to speak or make a presentation. In addition, an extensive explanation was given on protocol and decorum during an election. **Attachment 2**

PRESENTATION OF CONVENTION MINUTES:

State Deputy, Jeffrey M. Crouch, called upon Richard Ronde, DD1 to address the State Council for making a motion. The following motion was made: **“As copies of the minutes of the 102nd State Convention have been published on the State’s website, I move to dispense with the reading of the minutes from last year’s State Convention and to approve them as published”**. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

REPORTS OF THE STATE OFFICERS:

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch called upon Paul Setti, DD#09, to address the State Council for making a motion. The following motion was made: **“I move to waive the State Officers’ reading of their Annual Reports, and that their Annual Reports be included in the published minutes of these proceedings.”** The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. **Attachments 3-5**

REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES:

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch called upon Chris Pate, DD#17, to address the State Council for making a motion. The following motion was made: **“I move to waive the reading of all Committee Reports, and that their Annual Reports be included in the published minutes of these proceedings.”** The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. **Attachments 6-11**

PERMANENT ROLL CALL OF DELEGATES:

State Secretary, J. Scott Friedman called the Permanent Roll Call of Delegates by calling each District Deputy to report the number of councils, delegates and alternate delegates present from his district. Past State Deputy Daniel E. Barton also kept a tally of delegates. The final tally count was 85 delegates (80 council delegates & 5 state officers). Forty-Six (46) Councils were present with delegates.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS:

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch appointed (2) Tellers for the purpose of counting paper votes. They will be Mark Phillips, DD#13 and Chris Beumel, DD#5. appointed as tellers.

Past State Deputy, Daniel E. Barton, the Chairperson of the Nominating Committee reported on candidates for State Office for the 2024-2025 year and delegates to the 2024 142nd Supreme Convention.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES:

Immediate Past State Deputy, Paul V. Burchell conducted the election for State Deputy for the 2024- 2025 fraternal year. There being no nominations from the Floor, the State Secretary will cast one vote for Jeffrey M. Crouch, who was elected as State Deputy.

Immediate Past State Deputy Paul V. Burchell relinquished the gavel back to State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch to proceed with the election of the remaining State Officers.

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch conducted the election for State Secretary for the 2024-2025 fraternal year. There being no nominations from the Floor, the State Deputy instructed the State Secretary to cast one vote for Jay Scott Friedman who was elected as State Secretary.

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch conducted the election for State Treasurer for the 2024-2025 fraternal year. There being no nominations from the Floor, the State Deputy instructed the State Secretary to cast one vote for Sherrill Ed Wilcox, who was elected as State Treasurer.

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch conducted the election for State Advocate for the 2024-2025 fraternal year. There being no nominations from the Floor, the State Deputy instructed the State Secretary to cast one vote for Richard W. Swain, who was elected as State Advocate.

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch conducted the election for State warden for the 2023-2024 fraternal year. There being no nominations from the Floor, the State Deputy instructed the State Secretary to cast one vote for Patrick J. Noone, who was elected as State Warden.

The following are the elected officers for 2023-2024.

State Deputy	Jeffrey M. Crouch	Council 1668
State Secretary	Jay Scott Friedman	Council 6726
State Treasurer	Sherril Ed Wilcox	Council 7062
State Advocate	Richard W. Swain	Council 11325
State Warden	Patrick J. Noone	Council 6756

The election of delegates and alternates for the Supreme Convention was held, and the following members were elected.

Insurance Delegates:	Jay Scott Friedman & Danial E. Barton
Associate Delegates:	Patrick J. Noone, Chris M. Ryder, William E. Weiss, Richard W. Swain
1 st Alternate Delegate:	Michael A. Allen
2 nd Alternate Delegate:	Sherrill Ed Wilcox
3 rd Alternate Delegate:	Alexander Kirby

VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS:

Dr. Rick Swain, State Advocate, was called forward and made the following report: ***The Resolution Committee has received no resolutions from councils for consideration. All resolutions presented express gratitude or support for an individual or program. A complete listing of the resolutions has been provided to all delegates prior to the convention. I therefore recommend that the reading of each resolution be waived, and they be accepted into the convention minutes as written.*** The motion for approval of the Resolutions was seconded and unanimously approved. **Attachment 12**

VOTE ON BUDGET:

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch informed the delegation that State Treasurer Ed Wilcox had to depart early due to his wife's health and that the State Deputy would lead any discussion concerning the budget. There was no discussion.

The State Deputy stated that as the 2024-2025 State Budget has been approved by the Budget and Finance Committee and distributed to the delegation previously, without objection, it will be accepted as presented and included in the minutes. **Attachment 13**

LOCATION OF 104th STATE CONVENTION:

State Secretary, J. Scott Friedman announced that the 104th South Carolina State Council Convention will be held at the Embassy Suites in Columbia South Carolina May 2nd- May 4th 2025

NEW BUSINESS:

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch asked if there was any new business to come before this convention?

There being no further business, State Deputy Jeffery M. Crouch called upon State Secretary Scott Friedman to deliver any announcements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CLOSING:

State Secretary J. Scott Friedman made the following announcements:

- The Banquet will begin promptly at 7PM in the Heritage rooms A, B, C, D,
- Sunday Morning Mass will start at 8:30 Am in Azealia room.
- Following Mass, The Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly address.
- We will have a closing session. This will be short, so please stick around for it.
- Checkout for all guests is at 11:000am, so you should have plenty of time to check out after.

State Chaplin Father Robert Higgins led the closing prayer.

State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch recessed the meeting at 3:53 PM.

South Carolina State Dinner

Saturday, April 06, 2024

The 103rd Annual State Convention Banquet was held at 7:00 PM on Saturday, April 06, 2024, at the Spartanburg Marriott, in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

The banquet was ordered into prohibition by Master of Ceremonies, Ron Stanley.

The Colors were presented by Holy Spirit Assembly 2890, under the leadership of Regional Marshall Sir Knight Ron Searl.

The Pledge of Allegiance was then led by State Warden, Guadalupe Jimenez.

Rev Fr. Robert Higgins State Chaplin was called upon to say the opening prayer.

During dinner at approximately 7:45 the Master of Ceremonies Ron Stanley, introduced all Past State Deputies in attendance. Introduced all the State Officers, Supreme guest, and Past State Deputies including special guests Joyce Griffin, widow of Edward Griffin, PSD and Trudy Hock, widow of Raymond Hock, PSD, Pauline Povero widow of Ronald G. Povero PSD. He then recognized all District Deputies. Last he introduced all Field Agents who were present, thanking all for their sacrifice of time and energies for the betterment of the Knights of Columbus and the South Carolina State Council.

The Master of Ceremonies next asked for State Deputy Jeffrey M. Crouch and Supreme Guest Thomas J. Perretta to move to the front of the Podium for the purpose of recognizing our award winners. **Attachment 14**

The Master of Ceremonies, Ron Stanley then announced that prohibition had ended, the casino was open, and instructed the band to lead the celebration.

Dinner ended at approximately 10:00 PM.

Sunday Morning Session
April 07,2024

The Convention Mass began at 0830 and was celebrated by State Chaplain Reverend Robert Higgins in memory of Past State Deputy Ronald Povero and all departed brother Knights.

Following Mass, the State Deputy introduced Supreme Guest Tom Perretta for some closing remarks.

Following the Supreme Guests remarks, the Supreme Knights video message was played for the State Convention.

After the video, the State Deputy gave some final remarks and closed the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM Sunday, April 07, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Scott Friedman
State Secretary
South Carolina State Council



Knights of Columbus South Carolina State Council

My brother Knights, ladies, and guests,

Vehicles take you places. Heaven is a place I would like to go. The Knights of Columbus is my vehicle to Heaven. And I think it fitting to add, that a pit stop in South Carolina is one of the many blessings our Lord has given us!

Before we talk this Fraternal Year, I would like to ensure everyone knows how last year ended. South Carolina ended the Fraternal Year as the number 2 jurisdiction out of 75 in the entire order with a gain of 659 new members, which was 184.08% of our intake quota. The recognitions have been numerous: Immediate Past State Deputy Paul Burchell accepted the Supreme Knight's Pinnacle award for the second year in a row. We had 20 Councils earn the Star Council Award, led by our Contest of Champions winners: St. Michaels Council 8980 with a net gain of 39 new members, and St. Fynbar Council 17760 with a percentage gain of 520%.

Finally, we had 11 Districts earn Star District, which was a staggering 65% of our total Districts last year! It is fitting at this time that the District Deputies who will receive their Star District Awards today be honored. When your name is called, please stand in place, and be recognized:

District Deputy 1	Richard R. Ronde
District Deputy 2	M. Eric Cannon
Former District Deputy 5	Joseph W. Friend
District Deputy 6	Donald E. Thurlow, Jr.
Former District Deputy 7	Richard W. Swain, PhD
District Deputy 11	John H. Luse
Former District Deputy 13	J. Scott Friedman
District Deputy 14	William E. Weiss, Jr.
District Deputy 15	James W. Carswell
Former District Deputy 16	Thomas C. Armel
District Deputy 18	Joseph G. Nesbitt

It is important to note that the Order as a whole is having the best year of growth that it has ever experienced, and every Council who has recruited a new member this Fraternal Year is a part of this historic run! And much of our success is attributed to Councils operating the right way. Councils like Msgr. Andrew K. Gwynn Council 1668 in Greenville, Joseph Miguel Ros Council 3067 in Georgetown, Donald J. Godfrey Council 6726 in Hanahan, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Council 6891 in Orangeburg, The Citadel Council 6900, and Our Lady of the Lakes Council 11471 in Monks Corner are all over 200% of their quota and they are still gaining members and scheduling exemplifications! They are striving to achieve this year's State Council goal: "To foster growth of the order; to ensure Councils of our jurisdiction are offering to all Catholic men the chance to fulfill the innate desire that we were created with to have communion with God which can be found through membership in the Knights of Columbus!"

It is obvious to me, that if we strategize around numbers, we will never hit a goal of “All Catholic Men.” Any successful salesman will confirm that playing the numbers will result in zero momentum. To avoid making it about numbers, we simply withheld the numbers and conversation about them. Instead, we have shifted our focus toward the why. “Vehicles take you places. Heaven is a place I’d like to go. The Knights of Columbus is my vehicle to Heaven.” At this time, I would invite our membership team to stand and be recognized:

State Membership Director
Hispanic Growth Coordinator

Brandon Chambers
Lupe Jimenez

These men have visited your Parishes, coordinated membership drives, and conducted exemplifications at your Councils. Often, they give up at least two weekends a month to do this. In addition to the time spent on site, they each spend hours calling hundreds of prospects, often multiple times. They do this while each working very demanding jobs with very young families. And when the phone rings, and I think this has got to be the call where they say they are burned out, or we have nothing left, they get so excited talking about next month and the next six months because they are truly on fire for what they are doing: offering men the chance to be better men, better husbands, better fathers, better Catholics. To quote both Lupe and Brandon at the same time “it is all for the Greater Glory of God.”

I would be remiss to not mention “tu familia!” Michelle Chambers makes a lot of the initial calls to our Hispanic prospects; and her father Ygor Anderson assists her with phone calls as well as travels with Brandon to do the pulpit announcements during certain drives. Lupe’s wife, Aide, and his sons Santiago, Lucas, and Matteo travel around with him and when there is not enough Knights on hand to pass out packets, they are the ones ensuring that every Catholic man at that Mass has the opportunity to consider becoming a Knight!

On behalf of the South Carolina State Council thank you Michelle and Aide for everything you and your families have done to help South Carolina grow in faith!

Why do they do this? Both Brandon and Lupe will answer “For the Greater Glory of God.” During the Supreme Knight’s address to the Supreme Convention in August, we were all challenged “to be First in Faith and Charity.” He went on to say our top priority must be forming Catholic Men; giving us countless resources like COR, Men of Faith Bible Study, and Mission of the Family video series. However, passing out a Bible Study does not enhance Faith, You have to read it, study it, discuss it with a brother, absorb the lessons, and put those lessons into action. I believe this to be faithfulness!

Exodus 20:3 states “You shall have no other gods before me!” Our exclusive devotion to Jesus Christ is the faithfulness required of us. At the end of every message I send, I challenge each Knight reading “to spend at least 5 more minutes in prayer and ask at least one man to become a Knight. If done in the right order, there is no stopping us.” Imagine the world if all of us had the faithfulness required to put Jesus first in everything we do. That type of Faithfulness is infectious!

It is easy to see when you look at the list of Star Councils that they all have one thing in common, they have some sort of program that has Christ at the center. Rebecca and I were privileged to join Immaculate Conception Council 11991 for the first Mass in their Misa de Gallo celebration during the Advent Season. It is a novena of Masses leading up to Christmas Eve. This particular event is unique as there is such a diverse population of Filipinos, Hispanics from Mexico and Central America, and the Brazilian-Portuguese all who have a different tradition. And to be especially noted, an outstanding Breakfast and fellowship that follows Mass. Full Filipino breakfast menu as well as traditional pancakes

and eggs!

As Knights, our Councils offer more resources than a men's club. Through charity, unity, and fraternity, often an idea, in a room with many different talents, becomes a program. That program if implemented properly may help a Council to be identified as First in Faith and Charity. So it is with our selection for Faith Program of the year:

St. Peter's Kneeler Project – Members of Michael O'Conner Council 5026 in Beaufort took it upon themselves to update the worn-out kneelers of St. Peter's Church. They designed and built jigs, prepared patterns for the material, and organized and participated in all phases of the process to refresh the old kneelers. In addition to the Knights, several of their wives and a few additional parishioners also assisted helped cut the material, dismantle, and install the refurbished Kneelers. In all, 300 kneelers were refurbished.

I would ask that Grand Knight Beda Alvarez and Council 5026 please stand in place and be recognized as our 2024 South Carolina Faith Program of the Year.

In addition to this project, Knights of Council 5026 also lead Alpha as well as Men on Fire groups. It is no wonder why Brother Gonz is always scheduling an exemplification when these groups of men at St. Peters see how Knights stand up together to support them and the rest of Parish.

As stated previously, faithfulness will lead men to be better men, husbands, and fathers. It is a fact that this will strengthen the family. Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly, in his same address stated that a relationship with Christ is the greatest gift we can give our next generation. In South Carolina, we are lucky to have a strong outline of programs to support a faithful family eager to serve others. Many of these programs are outstanding Food for Families programs that have grown into vital pillars of your Parishes and communities. This year, Msgr. Andrew K. Gwynn Council 1668 delivered their Christmas Baskets to the poorest communities of Greenville for the 53rd year in a row. This program, which won the Supreme Council International Community Award in 1992, was founded by PGK Mike Miros who passed away in June of last year. Despite being the first year the program was conducted without Mike, there were plenty of Miros's present. Mike's sons, Mike and Chris, son-in-law Don Sawicki, and grandson Reed Sawicki are all Knights who led different parts of the campaign. Many other Miros family members participated as usual, and the stories of yesteryear flowed. The faithfulness of this one Knight has impacted not only generations of Brother Knights, but also the families that these Knights serve.

Other Councils such as Michael O'Conner Council 5026 in and Cardinal Bernardin Council 12263 in Bluffton conducted outstanding Food for Families programs; both of which supported the St. Francis Center on St. Helena Island, operated by the Sisters of St. Cyril and Methodius. Council 12263 also supports Mercy Mission in Hardeeville which is operated by Catholic Charities. But one Council stood above the others:

Saint Anne's Council 6756 Food for Families Program – The Knights of Saint Anne's Council 6756 in Rock Hill operates a multifaceted Food for Families mission program 52 weeks a year. The program began in the year 2000, when Brother Eli Furo answered a phone call and agreed to pick up food weekly from the Bilo supermarket. Eli was able to recruit Brothers Mike Radl and Geary Bradley to assist him with managing and expanding what quickly became a program. Today the program consists of bi-weekly runs to Second Harvest Food Bank in Charlotte, bi-weekly runs to Chickfila, and weekend runs to Publix Supermarket. Donations are delivered to Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen, Family Promise, Pilgrim's Inn, Veteran's Services, the Oratory, Youth Ministry, and the Clover Catholic Sisters and Food Pantry. Altogether the program produces approximately 1,357 volunteer

hours, and \$313,307 worth of donated food. Though Eli Furo and Mike Radl have passed on, Geary Bradley is still active with the Program.

I would ask Grand Knight Patrick Noone and St. Anne's Council 6756 to please stand in place and be recognized as the 2024 South Carolina Family Program of the Year.

Our devotion to serve our communities has produced some of the most engaging programs in the Order. From Coats for Kids, to Habitat for Humanity, even Council Freethrow Tournaments, the numbers cannot be reached without member engagement. This year's top community program, not only serves the community, but they step out of their niche and join forces with Aldersgate Methodist Church in Charleston.

City of Charleston Warming Shelter: Members of St. Fynbar Council 17760 in Charleston, organized by Brother David Algire, was called on to not only volunteer on certain nights at the City of Charleston Warming Shelter, but to help organize and lead activities. As one of the busiest seasons in years, the Council ministered to 50 to 60 men and women on any given night. Knights and their wives volunteering had such a strong impact on not just the staff, but on the homeless they served. Several of the homeless, new the Knights by first name and mentioned they went out of their way to go to this location because they felt valued as a person. The impact of this program which could fall in any of the four Faith in Action categories has been so strong for the Knights and their family that many of them have made time to participate in additional Council programs.

I would ask Grand Knight Reuben Leija and St. Fynbar Council 17760 to please stand in place and be recognized as the 2024 South Carolina Community Program of the Year.

One thing I think we can all agree on, and that is standing up for Life. And when I say Life I mean all Life! We must protect the unborn, those with special needs and disabilities, and those who cannot fully care for themselves. There is not a better example of the overall Life pillar portrayed by the St. Gerard Majella Council 6884 in Seneca.

Life: Special Olympics: These Knights have supported Area 16 of the Special Olympics for years. They volunteer at their Spring Games at Southern Wesleyan University, cooking approximately 1000 hot dogs to provide food to all participants and their families. They also coordinated with the local Pepsi Distributor to provide drinks. They also contribute 85% of the Spring Games budget through the Councils annual golf tournament. Overall participation is no less than 35 Knights not including friends and families. This year the St. Gerard Majella Council was recognized by the State of South Carolina Special Olympics as their Charitable Organization of the Year.

On top of their efforts with Special Olympics, under the leadership of Brother Larry Staudmeister, they also managed to secure two new Ultrasound Machines for the Foothills Care Center in Seneca and Clemson. This is after just last year replacing an outdated Ultrasound Machine at the Piedmont Women's Center in Greenville. That is approximately \$75,000 in the last two years. And on top of those efforts, they have members who make time to drive to Greenville for vigils and to serve as sidewalk counselors outside the Abortion Clinic in Greenville, not just during 40 Days for Life Campaigns but through the 365 Days for Life campaign.

Would Grand Knight Tom Zavertnik and Gerard Majella Council 6884 please stand in place and be recognized as the 2024 South Carolina State Council Life Program of the Year.

These are just a snapshot of the many programs that we are conducting in South Carolina.

While we can praise our Knights and their families for all that they do in support of our Councils, it takes great leaders to ensure the longevity and momentum of our Councils, Districts, and Jurisdictions. Proverbs 16:9 states “In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps.”

Brothers, we are called to serve. We find ourselves in key positions, and often situations that we do not always understand. This is when we have to surrender to Jesus Christ and let him guide our hearts to walk in the steps that have been established for us. Whether that is in your council, in the Parish, or even at home in your family.

I truly believe it is the current leaders of our Councils and Districts that have set our jurisdiction on our current path. During a team building exercise with the District Deputies at the beginning of the year, we went around the room and named someone who inspired us. I cannot make this up, many of them named the person who recruited them into the Knights of Columbus, and that person just happened to be a District Deputy at the time. How great of a District Deputy do you have, when he looks up to a Former District Deputy so much that he has followed in his footsteps. I assure you he is going to do everything he can for your Council to make sure that he does this Brother Knight proud.

At this time, I would ask the following District Deputies who have chosen to retire from their position at the end of the year to stand in place and be recognized:

District Deputy 3	Thomas W. O'Donnell
District Deputy 9	Paul F. Setti
District Deputy 11	John H. Luse
District Deputy 14	William E. Weiss, Jr.
District Deputy 15	James W. Carswell

My Brother Knights, I am honored to have served you and your Councils this past year as State Deputy. I will continue to pray for all our Brother Knights, their families, and all our Council's continued success! My only request of you when you leave here this weekend: ask a Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus and spend an extra five minutes a day in prayer, if done in the right order there is no stopping us!

Semper Fidelis and Vivat Jesus!



Jeffrey M. Crouch
State Deputy



Knights of Columbus

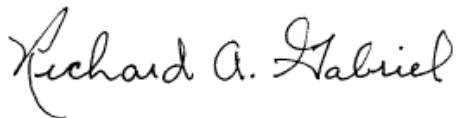
South Carolina State Council

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 foregoing 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 dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Richard A. Gabriel, PSD
2024 State Convention Parliamentarian



Knights of Columbus

South Carolina State Council

State Secretary Annual Report Fraternal Year 2023-2024

The State Secretary is responsible for gathering all council membership information and submitting it to our liability insurance carrier in a timely fashion to ensure our liability insurance does not lapse. As the state secretary, I am also responsible for submitting vouchers for each disbursement of all funds from the State Council. Gathering all information for the State Council and submit the annual survey or fraternal activities for the state council to supreme. Duties also include selecting venues for the state meetings.

Serving as the State Secretary this fraternal year 2023-2024 has been both challenging and rewarding, and I would not change anything about it since I find myself growing in faith, patience and humility with each task. One of the challenges for me as State Secretary was the amount of time that is required in negotiating with hotels for our various functions. I have traveled across the fine State of South Carolina from Spartanburg to Myrtle Beach to Rockhill to Hilton head for multi-district and state functions to include, district meetings, fraternal benefit nights, state convention planning, and numerous activities across the four corners of my territory. Some of my personal favorites include the state soccer challenge, basketball free throw competition, several CFU exemplifications in both English and Spanish, Fourth degree Exemplification, and other fraternal benefit nights. I finalized the last Hilton Head District Deputy's winter meeting, and the state convention which had its challenges, but rising to these challenges helped me understand the demands of this worthy position.

In addition to the above I have attended

- State council Installation of officers meeting July 2023
- Fourth Degree Exemplification August 2023
- Multi District meeting in Myrtle Beach September 2023
- Fraternal Benefit night in Rockhill October 2023
- Fraternal Benefit night in Charleston and presented the Contest of Champion award(Highest percentage membership gain) October 2023
- Attended and participated in a CUF degree at the Citadel November 2023.
- Awarded two council 11991 and 11471 their star Council awards November 2023
- District Deputy Mid-Year meeting in Hilton Head December 2023.
- Membership drive Mount Pleasant January 2024
- Grand Knights Mid-Year meeting in Columbia February 2024
- Fourth Degree Exemplification in Lexington February 2024.
- Council meeting in Mount Pleasant March 2024
- Will be attending the State convention in Spartanburg April 2024

I am honored and blessed to have had the opportunity to serve as the Secretary for the State Council for the fraternal year 2023-2024 thus far and continue to put faithful effort in this position. Stepping up to these demands I have secured the hotel and procured a contract with the Embassy Suites of Columbia for a 3-year contract for the State Convention 2025,2026, 2027. Currently working on coordinating Installation of State Officers and our Summer Columbus Hope, DD And GK meeting to be held on June 28th-29th.

Joining the Knights 20 plus years ago as a Knight it's difficult to put into words the enjoyment of working, praying and serving alongside the most faithful men I know. Being a Knight to me is not only a privilege but an honor no matter which hat I'm wearing at the time. All Knights have a role

in our call to Faith, Family, Community and Life (Faith in Action) whether it's as simple as volunteering for a pancake breakfast or representing our state at the Supreme Convention. I have full respect for each and every member of the order and look forward to rolling my sleeves up and giving 100% to serve the State Council.

My hope is and always will be that through my leadership the Knights continue to be leaders in our families, our communities and the Church, and by doing so, attract younger Knights so that our organization can thrive well into the future. My sincere gratitude for the many mentors I've had along the way, its brothers like Jeff, Paul and Mike among a few, that have assisted me in become the leader and Knight I've become.

J Scott Friedman
SC. State Secretary

J. Scott Friedman



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South Carolina State Council

March 30, 2024

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 2023-2024 fraternal year I attended and participated in the following:

- State Council Installation and District Deputy Organizational Meeting, Greenville, SC, July 14-16, 2023
- 91st Fourth Degree Exemplification, Charleston, SC, August 12, 2023
- District Deputy Midyear Meeting, Hilton Head Island, SC, December 9, 2023
- Grand Knights Mid-Winter Meeting, Columbia, SC February 2, 2024
- 92nd Fourth Degree Exemplification, Lexington, SC, February 10, 2023

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 support offered to Karen and I 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,

S. Edward Wilcox

S. E. Wilcox, State Treasurer



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STATE ADVOCATE'S ANNUAL REPORT

July 2023 through April 2024

What a fantastic year to be a Knight of Columbus! This year has been one of questions and recommendations. The biggest question this year was about liability coverage. My Brothers the Knights of Columbus insurance coverage is exemplary. It covers your Council and its activities as you go out to perform Charity, Fraternity and Unity for our communities. When considering an activity or an issue always think what the headline in the New York Times would look like in order to protect your Council and the Order. Always remember our collective oath not to bring politics into our meetings. This year is an election year and therefore be on guard. The Knights of Columbus position is to encourage every Catholic to Vote and exercise their civic duty. Partisan politics has no place in our meetings or activities.

When you have a question about Knights of Columbus position on an issue always first go to KofC.org and search. If you can't find an answer don't hesitate to ask your District Deputy, as they can always answer 90% of your questions. Always remember your actions and programs are always on stage. Every action however small is observed and our order judged by the behavior of our Knights of Columbus family. Evangelization is our mission and the example of our lives is what converts our world. "They will know we are Christians by our Love"! Jesus new commandment *"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."*

What I did this last year as your State Advocate was to be a member of the State Leadership Team. As your 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 for the State Convention and Supreme Convention, assisted the State Warden with room setup for State Council meetings and workshops, assisted the State Deputy and State Secretary in all other tasks and duties assigned.

As a State Officer I attended GK workshops, State Officer and District Deputy installation meetings and ceremonies. Presented training events at GK workshop and advanced the COR program for State and my council. The Knights of Columbus has been my vehicle to increase my spirituality this year.

Humbly Submitted
Richard W. Swain, Ph.D.
State Advocate



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Worthy State Deputy, State Officer's, District Deputies, Grand Knights, and my brothers all,

It has been an absolute privilege to have been your membership director this past year for the state of South Carolina.

As in previous years, business is booming and then some. As of this writing 15 councils have reached their goal for the year with 3 having obtained over 200% of their goal (councils 1668, 6726, and 6891). 11 councils are within 2 of their annual goal. 8 districts have reached their goals for the year, and the rest are within reach.

The state is nearing 500 new members for the year, making our membership goal for the year almost a foregone conclusion. Reaching the pinnacle goal for the year for a third year in a row appears to be just the same.

Over 12 Hispanic outreaches have been performed in the past year bringing in over 200 new brother knights into the Order, with a prospect of another 200 men as well that could be interested in joining. That same process has been used by two councils in the state for the English community and both councils received interested from 46 and 35 men as well.

In March we officially surpassed over 11,000 members for the first time in our states history and future growth appears strong with Catholic men in our state are looking for an opportunity to grow in their Faith, support the church, and help their fellow man.

All in all everything is booming for the Knights of Columbus in the state of South Carolina.

Yours in Christ,

Brandon Chambers
State Membership Director
Assistant General Agent

God Bless



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Following are the reports for Faith, Life, Family and Community.

Faith- 50 Councils reported, 1889 Volunteer hours and 86 new members recruited.

Life- 18 councils reported, 269 Volunteer hours and 52 new members recruited.

Family- 53 councils reported, 1284 Volunteer hours and 24 new members recruited.

Community – 53 Councils reported, 4092 Volunteer hours and 45 new members recruited.

Tony Zammarrelli, SC State Program Dir.



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The Official Convention Report for the South Carolina District of the DeSoto Province

At the outset, let me first Congratulate SK Daniel E. Barton for being the fourth South Carolinian to serve the Order as Vice Supreme Master. And thank you to Michael McCusker, Supreme Master for having faith in me as a replacement for Daniel's unexpired term. Our Supreme Knight reminds us that "We have weathered the storms of pandemic and change that have tossed us about the turbulent seas of time, and now, we mend our sails, determined to continue our journey in the service of the Church." As Sir Knights we have a special duty to stand by our post as men of recognized civic virtue, faithfulness in Church and in family life and fidelity to the promises we have made. We must be determined to embrace our church and our priests even more. Do not let our current difficulties deprive us of the most precious gift we have: our faith. It is our choice.

Membership

The Patriotic Degree continues to be strong in South Carolina. The South Carolina District hosted two exemplifications bringing in 70 new members or 43% of our goal for this Fraternal year. I want to personally thank SK James Roche and SK George LaPierre for their leadership in facilitating these Exemplifications. We must continue to recruit new Sir Knights. A reminder that every new Member third degree Knight – plan to recruit them from the new degree 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 to join our ranks as Sir Knights. Currently we are planning exemplifications in Spartanburg, Orangeburg (Spanish), and Myrtle Beach. Contact me or the District Secretary to discuss scheduling one in your area.

New Assemblies

This year we welcomed in our newest assembly, The Pier Georgio Frassati Assembly #3984 in Carolina Forest. 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 30 members. South Carolina has 64 Councils and 31 Assemblies so there are still opportunities to form additional assemblies. I have been in conversation with several men around the state interested in creating new assemblies. If your council is interested in starting a new assembly, please let me know so we can get you 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, South Carolina in a program known as "Serving Those Who Served". Established in 1946, the Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service (VAVS) has become the largest volunteer program in the Federal Government. If you are interested in serving as a representative please contact me, we need all the help we can get.

Warriors to Lourdes

Several years ago, we made a promise to our Faithful Friar, Fr. Higgins, to send a South Carolina Veteran to Lourdes every year. Then COVID happened and that pledge was placed on the back burner. This year I have asked Faithful Navigator and State Warden nominee, Patrick Noone to



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take on the challenge of raising funds to resurrect the Warrior to Lourdes project in South Carolina.

Honor Guards

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 and will be given the fullest consideration as to the selection of elements of the Honor Guard involved if any. It is my opinion that no Knight or family of a Knight that passes expecting his brothers to gather around him in honor and send him off in prayer should be left unaided during their time of loss. 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.

A Final Thought:

How many times do we hear about how busy this or that person is? It's a common complaint from all quarters (including my own) these days. A recent reflection from Dr. Tod Worner caught my eye and I believe it worth sharing with you. GK Chesterton observed: "comradeship and serious joy are not interludes in our travel; but ... rather our travels are interludes in comradeship and joy, which through God shall endure forever." How descriptive of the Knights. A band of brothers – comrades in charity whose joy and happiness comes from our deep commitment to each other and to helping those in need. Brothers let us focus less on building our resume of busyness and more on our principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism building toward those sturdy bonds of comradeship and shared joy in the life of Christ.

Many Thanks

To all who have helped me get through this 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 Chris Hilditch and Tom O'Donnell for all their administrative support. To Daniel Barton 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 ladies events for the exemplifications and keeping me in line and always being at my side for support. And finally, to my Brother Sir Knights for defending the faith and supporting our veterans.

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



Knights of Columbus South Carolina State Council

Columbus HOPE Strives to offer positive change based on known evidence of effective practice. We invite everyone involved in the Knights of Columbus to join the effort, share what they are doing to build the organization's social capital, and grow and sustain the foundation.

Columbus HOPE's goal is to eradicate or greatly alleviate issues related to the Intellectual Disability and Special Needs (IDD&SN) challenges, but also strive to transform situations so that they are different from and far better than they were before. We aim to determine the role we play in eliminating the social and environmental challenges faced by individuals, our culture, and the environment. We HOPE to create bold visions and goals, and the capacity to achieve those visions and goals.

Despite this, there is more illness, abuse, ethnic and cultural conflict, and poverty in the IDD community than ever before. While the numbers of charities continue to skyrocket, they remain small and relatively insignificant in achieving major societal changes related to the mission. While there will always be room for good people doing good things, Columbus HOPE concentrates its efforts on those Charities that truly want to accomplish the mission on a significant scale with significant impacts. We are after **heroic men** at a scale that impacts for the better every individual, family, community, and social environment associated with the IDD&SN community in significant ways.

It is time to meet needs fully, and eradicate pervasive social, health, human development, cultural and environmental issues that pertain to Intellectual Disabilities and Special Needs Citizens. It's time to organize, lead, and manage the Knights to do that. It is time to transform pervasive social situations so that our people not only survive but thrive.

As we head into the 104th State Convention for South Carolina, I am pleased to report that the Columbus HOPE drive is at 45% of our projected goal or \$ **214,503.34**. With almost half of the councils yet to report, you have truly exceeded the expectations we set back in July.

I think we can safely say we are over the pandemic once and for all!

The next CHF drive meeting is tentatively set for June 29, 2024, where State Deputy Jeff Crouch has decided to merge what is effectively three meetings into one. I HOPE to see each of you there.

Faithfully submitted,
March 27, 2024

Michael A. Allen, PSD, DM, CNE.
Chairman of the Board



Knights of Columbus South Carolina State Council

April 4, 2024

Worthy State Deputy,

The nominating committee met last night and this morning and put forth the following brother knights for the Slate of Officers for the 2024-2025 Fraternal year:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>
State Deputy	Jeffrey M. Crouch
State Secretary	J. Scott Friedman
State Treasurer	Sherrill "Ed" Wilcox
State Advocate	Richard W. Swain
State Warden	Patrick Noone

For the position of delegates to the 142nd Supreme Convention, each Jurisdiction has two automatic delegates, the State Deputy and the Immediate Past State Deputy.

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

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>
Insurance Delegate	J. Scott Friedman
Insurance Delegate	Daniel E. Barton
Associate Delegate	Patrick Noone
Associate Delegate	Chris M. Ryder
Associate Delegate	William E. Weiss
Associate Delegate	Richard W. Swain
Alternate	Michael A. Allen
Alternate	Sherrill "Ed" Wilcox
Alternate	Alexander Kirby

I want to thank the following members of the Nominating Committee for their time and diligence:

Paul V. Burchell, PSD

Michael A. Allen, PSD

Brandon Chambers, FDD, Asst. General Agent

Thomas O'Donnell Sr., DD

Joe Nesbitt, DD

Paul LaRosa, DD

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel E. Barton

Daniel E. Barton, PSD

Vice Supreme Master, DeSoto Province

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GOOD OF THE ORDER REPORT

103rd South Carolina State Council Convention Spartanburg, South Carolina April 7, 2024

Worthy State Deputy and Brother Knights

GOOD NEWS – The Knights of Columbus in South Carolina and all around the world, our ORDER IS GROWING and South Carolina continues to lead the way.

The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1882 with a small group of men in the basement of St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Haven, CT. Over the next 142 years, Fr. McGivney and his small group of Catholics idea of an organization to assist widows, orphans, and Catholics in need has far exceeded his plan. From the basement of St. Mary's Catholic church, they never could have imaged what we have in South Carolina and the world today. From the start of a mutual benefit society for the working class and Irish immigrant Catholics, we now have over two million Knights in more than 16,000 councils. All members should be proud to be a part of the outstanding organization that is the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus, with our 66 councils and passing 11,000 members this year. Our state has continued to grow under excellent leadership that has led us to have outstanding growth in membership, projects, charity work and finances. As of April 1st, South Carolina has reached 98.2% of our Goal and is in 11th place worldwide.

Reverend P N Lynch Council 704 was Chartered in 1902, followed by councils in Columbia and Greenville. In 1921 had 4 councils and formed the South Carolina State Council. It took until the last half of the 1960's to grow to 8 councils and 1650 members. This was followed by rapid expansion starting in the 1970's. In

1982 on the Order's one hundredth anniversary, we had grown to 23 Councils and passed 3,000 members. Today we have 66 councils and another one on the way...

Membership is the true test of an organization. Nationally many of the Charity, Social, Fraternal and Service organizations are continuing to lose members, while both the South Carolina State Council and the National Knights of Columbus organization continue to grow. South Carolina has 66 Councils and has passed the 11,000-member mark. Our state has done an excellent job in both recruiting and retention, leading to our continuing to rank in the top 10 in Membership goals. Two years ago, South Carolina passed 10,000 members and in the short two-year span, South Carolina has added another 500 members this year to pass 11,000 members. Congratulations to State Deputy Jeffery Crouch and his entire team on a great job in leading the State. Special thanks to Membership Chairman Brandon Chambers and his committee for an outstanding job in building up the order. The Hispanic programs continue to bring in additional new members. An important part of our growth is the number of new under 50 members, which has almost reached doubling the goal for the year.

While many Civic, Fraternal and Service organizations have continued to lose membership for several years, the Knights has grown. The Knights of Columbus has continued its growth and wide range of activities, with South Carolina leading the way. The South Carolina Knights continue to grow with our work in Charity, Unity, and Fraternalism.

The Knights in South Carolina under the outstanding leadership of State Deputy Jeffery Crouch and his State Officers and District Deputies have led our organization in keeping it active and informed. The State Council has held training sessions for the Grand Knights, a District Deputy weekend, and a Mid-year workshop. The State has provided excellent leadership training for its officers and members.

South Carolina has shown the way in the recognition of the Hispanic Catholics in South Carolina with its Ethnic Outreach program. Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati Council number 17854 was the first all Hispanic Council in South Carolina and

other councils are being worked on as many Councils are bringing in Hispanic members under the state Hispanic program.

An audit of the South Carolina State Council Knights of Columbus included a review of membership, activities, and finances. The financial audit committee reports that our books are in excellent shape and the state council is solvent. and in excellent financial shape. The State continues to grow in both financial and personal services for charity. The state keeps its members informed with an excellent newsletter and scheduled meetings.

Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney started the Knights of Columbus as a Charity organization. Charity begins at home and our home is the State and Individual councils. Charitable works are the South Carolina Knights way of putting our faith in action. The Knights of Columbus State Charity Drive continues to grow and averages over \$55,000 a year. Camp Hope started as a \$5,000 donation to assist campers at Camp Hope. Our Camp Hope program grew to become The Columbus Foundation's Operation HOPE. This project continues to grow and raises over several hundred thousand dollars each year for citizens with mental disabilities and special needs. This is an example of how small projects can grow with the Knights behind them. This small donation has grown to Donations that are as varied as the diverse needs of the councils and people of our great state. Operation Hope is dedicated to bettering the environment and for increasing the self-reliance and dignity of people with Intellectual and or Developmental Disabilities and special needs. We provide these individuals with community support, tools, and the resources necessary to lead independent productive lives. Our many programs assist them in their rights to live full lives in the community of their choice where they can live, learn and enjoy life. Knights not only raise funds but are also strong advocates and active physical supporters in projects such as Camp Hope and Special Olympics.

Charity continues to be a major part of every council's activity The state and local councils are to be commended for assistance in projects like the Ultrasound Initiative, aid to hurricane victims, Special Olympics, and Food for Families. Each year funds are raised and spent on Food for the needy and South Carolina is a leader in NO NEIGHTBOR LEFT BEHIND. This year we were again able to

assist victims of floods and tornados in the South. The Pro-Life programs continue to be extremely successful with fine leadership and projects and being leaders in the March for Life in Washington DC and the Rally for Pro Life in Columbia. We continue to raise funds for ultrasound machines and raise funds newborn babies. Local council members perform many different charity programs to add hours and funds for the Charity activities.

Ceremonials are held to inform and keep the interest of members. Our State, District and Local councils are holding and implementing the new degrees to members. Almost every Division has held a degree program this year. South Carolina has met its total goal for the year but there are still a few Councils with work to do. The State continues to be recognized in the Circle of Honor and many have already reached the Star council level. The Boni Insurance Agency and its agents are getting out to all Councils and assisting in helping them make their membership and Insurance program goals.

The future of the Catholic Church lies in recruiting and training seminarians. South Carolina now has a large number of men in the Seminary compared to past years. For the past several years we have had a major increase in vocations and the current class of (21) twenty-one and the projected 2024 class should bring in several new members. Fr. Rhett Williams as Director of Vocations and Vicar General Gregory Wilson are doing a fantastic job with our Seminarians. The S C Knights have promoted vocations with prayer and finances. Prayers like the Silver Rosary program, RSVP, support of Catholic Men's Conferences and the sending of financial support to seminarian's help promote vocations. Members' contributions to the seminarians include financial, prayers and cards of support. The state has an outstanding vocation program and leadership. Special thanks to Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, Retired Bishop Robert Guglielmone, State Chaplain Fr. Robert F. Higgins, Vocations Director Fr. Rhett Williams and Vicar General Gregory Wilson for their leadership and support. We stand firm in our Catholic Faith and promote our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. We fully support all our Priests, Deacons, and Seminarians. Our Seminarians need and are given our support financially (RSVP), spiritually, and morally with cards and encouragement. We are part of the renewed and New Evangelization of the Church.

Our Church programs are under the excellent guidance of Deacon Bob Cox. The Church programs are continuing to promote and building a relationship with God through Prayer and spiritual exercise. Our programs will continue to grow as we promotes the issues affecting the church, husbands, and fathers. Faith in Action promotes retreats, Way of the Cross, Pro-Life, VA, prayer and families in projects including the Catholic Men's Conference, traveling Icon, 40 Days of Life, and working with mothers in need and babies. Prayers and events for Feast Day of Blessed Fr Michael McGivney. The Knights strongly support the Domestic Church and by actions prove that we are the Right Arm of the Church.

Every Council needs to have a committee to follow up with brothers and their families, to assist in caring for its members and their families when sickness or hard times occur. Councils have gained members when others see that we take care of our own members, and have lost members when we have not taken care of our brothers in need. We must keep up with the members in need, they could be the future of your council and are deserving of our support. This can be both physical, financial and spiritual support. Councils should end their meeting with a prayer for the sick and deceased.

Our youth are recognized in many programs. The State Free Throw Contest, Soccer Shootout, Special Olympics, Camp Hope, and many local activities. The future of our Order depends on us assisting, recognizing, and promoting our youth as they are our future Knights. Many Councils have unique events for the youth at Easter, Christmas and summertime. Many of our new Knights are young and add to our support of youth activities.

Father McGivney Guild continues to grow. On January 1st, South Carolina had 1,883 members praying for the Canonization of the founder of our Order. All Knights should join the Guild. He has made it to the last step before coming a Saint by being named Blessed. Miracles have happened and special favors have been granted to those who pray to Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney. Many have received answers to their prayers after praying to Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney. There are over 180,000 members out of the 1.8 million Knights. Many Councils end their

meeting with prayers for Fr McGivney and include information in their council newsletters.

The South Carolina State Council has kept our members well informed with the workshops, training meeting, the Palmetto State Bulletin, and numerous emails. The Boni Agency has assisted in membership growth and in hosting special insurance nights.

Catholic men do make a difference, and this was proven at the 42st Annual Awards breakfast. Individuals and Councils were recognized for their actions in enacting our Service programs. Knights do an excellent job of working in each of our six service areas. Many of our councils will complete the year as Star Councils, the standard of Excellence.

The Order in South Carolina has done an outstanding job in living up to the Principals of the Order through the works of our Service Programs. The State Officers under the leadership of State Deputy Jeffery Crouch are to be commended for their dedicated service and leadership. Special thanks to the Past State Deputy Paul Burchell, the State Officers, Past State Deputies, All District Directors, and State Chairmen for their arduous work this year. Program Director Anthony Zammarelli led an outstanding group of chairmen in Faith, Community, Life, Family, Youth, Vocations, Special Olympics, Athletic, Silver Rose, Essay, Awards, Public Relations, McGivney Guild, and Health project areas. All District Deputies and Project Chairmen are to be recognized for their hard and outstanding work.

The backbone of our organization is our wives. They give us the time and support to be Knights and make for successful events. The widows of deceased members should always be invited to all Knights functions as they have been and still are a valuable part of what we do. They need our support and friendship. We have three widows of Past State Deputies here with us today: Trudy Hock, Joyce Griffin and Pauline Povero.

All Knights should turn out for wakes and funerals as this is our duty to show them our respect for their service to the Order. New members may not have made a lot

of friends and members who have missed meetings for years because of sickness or age are due our attending the services. It is our last chance to show support to the deceased and their families.

This report can be summarized as “CHRIST IS AT THE CENTER OF ALL WE DO.” Following our churches teachings will make all of us better leaders, better husbands, better fathers and better Catholics.

This past year continued to show that the Knights have the leadership, desire, and ability to overcome all obstacles and provide help and assistance when needed, and this year brought them back to full action. The hard work and planning by our State Leaders have guided the State and activities of the Local Councils to an outstanding year. The State Council is alive, well and preparing for an even better future.

A special thanks to the men who planned the 103rd State Convention and will make it an outstanding event. Our hospitality and meeting events were made possible by the demanding work of State Secretary Scott Friedman, and the committee members. The South Carolina State Council has had an active and successful year and is hosting a large convention as we continue into the second century of Service to the Church and the vision of Blessed Fr Michaels McGivney.

The South Carolina State Knights of Columbus are having a great year and should finish with a fantastic one. Due to the leadership of the State Deputy, State Officers, District Deputies, State Chairman and all Grand Knights and all of the members of South Carolina Knights of Columbus.

With Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism, I submit this report for the Good of the Order.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James P. Nettles Jr." with a small flourish at the end.

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James P. Nettles Jr., PSD, FM
South Carolina State Council Knights of Columbus

Resolutions Presented for
Consideration of the South
Carolina State Council



Knights of Columbus

South Carolina State Convention

Spartanburg, South Carolina

April 6, 2024

1. In Honor of Pope Francis

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024 pledge our eternal love, our prayers, our commitment to help the poor, and our renewal of devotion to Mary, our Blessed Mother; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we renew our commitment to pray for God's protection for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and for God to grant him the courage and wisdom to guide the Church in these turbulent times.

2. Salutations to Bishop Fabre-Jeune

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, renew our commitment to pray for God's protection for our Bishop, and for God to grant him the courage and wisdom to guide the Church; and pledge our admiration, support and love to his Excellency, The Most Reverend Jacques E. Fabre-Jeune, CS, Bishop of Charleston.

3. Salutations to State Honoree William E. Weiss, Jr.

RESOLVED, the South Carolina State Council is proud to select Sir Knight William E. Weiss Jr. FDD, as the Honoree for our 103rd State Convention.

4. Salutations to State Chaplain

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, extends a sincere and heartfelt thank you and appreciation to State Chaplain, Reverend Robert F. Higgins for his service and dedication to the State Council and the Order, his parish, and his untiring dedication to our brother and sister Catholics in the great State of South Carolina.

5. *In Solidarity with our Bishops and Priests*

RESOLVED, that we commend and support our Bishops, clergy and religious leaders and thank them for the strength and wisdom which they have shown in the leadership and governance of our Church; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the South Carolina Knights of Columbus render faithful and loyal service and stand in solidarity with our Bishops, Clergy, and all ordained ministers in the fulfillment of the duties of the Holy Offices to which they have been called.

6. *Felicitation to Supreme Knight*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, gives Supreme Knight Patrick E. Kelly our most sincere thank you and appreciation for his tireless efforts on behalf of our great Order; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus also extends to the Supreme Board of Directors and Supreme officer's staff our most sincere thank you for a job well done.

7. *Felicitation to Supreme Guest*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, extends a sincere and great appreciation to Thomas Perretta, Senior Director of Channel and Field Marketing, for his dedication, leadership, and years of service to our Order.

8. *Felicitation to Supreme Territorial Growth Director*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, extends sincere and great appreciation to our Southeast Territorial Growth Director, David Tebo, for his dedication, leadership, and years of service to the Order.

9. *Faith in Action*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, supports opportunities that allow us to put into practice our Catholic faith through various "Faith," "Family," "Community," and Life programs; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that our members, councils, and families live in the Catholic faith more fully so that each home is truly a Domestic Church reflecting the holiness of the Universal Church in every Knights of Columbus household.

10. *In Recognition of Service*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, wishes to extend a sincere thank you and our love and appreciation to the District Deputies, State Committee Chairmen, Grand Knights, and all Council Officers along with their wives, for their dedication to the Order and the Church and their proven leadership for the growth of our Order.

11. *In Support of our Armed Forces*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, supports and encourages the men and women of the armed forces who defend our liberties and freedoms; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we will never waiver in our commitment to recognize the contributions of every service member on Active duty, in the Guard, in the Reserves and all veterans and retired members; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we will prayerfully support and encourage the families of those service men and women who are deployed overseas; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we continue to pray for the mission success and safe return of all military personnel, especially those deployed to various combat zones throughout the world; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we now pay tribute to those men and women who have served, especially those who have suffered serious combat injuries, and we pray for the souls who have paid the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives in the service of their country, by observing a moment of silence.

12. *In Support of Ukraine*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024, prays for justice in Ukraine and the end of war perpetrated by a hostile country.

13. *In Recognition of All District Deputies*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on the 6th day of April 2024, extend sincere and great appreciation to all our District Deputies for their dedication and service to their councils, the South Carolina jurisdiction, and to the Knights of Columbus.

14. *In Recognition of State Warden Guadalupe Jimenez*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to [Guadalupe Jimenez](#) for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as State Warden for the South Carolina jurisdiction.

15. *In Recognition of State Newsletter/Bulletin Editor Stephen T. Dunlap, PSD*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to Stephen T. Dunlap Past State Deputy for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as State Newsletter/Bulletin Editor for the South Carolina jurisdiction.

16. *In Recognition of State Evangelization and Faith Formation Director Alexander J. Kirby*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to Alexander Kirby for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as State Evangelization and Faith Formation Director for the South Carolina jurisdiction.

17. *In Recognition of State Vocations Chairman Larry R. Papineau*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to Larry R. Papineau for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as State Vocations Chairman for the South Carolina jurisdiction.

18. *In Recognition of State Program Director Tony Zammarrelli*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to Tony Zammarrelli for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as State Program Director of the South Carolina State Council.

19. *In Recognition of District Deputy Paul F. Setti*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to Paul F. Setti for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as District Deputy for District #9 of the South Carolina State Council.

20. *In Recognition of District Deputy Thomas W. O'Donnell, Sr*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to Thomas W. O'Donnell, Sr for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as District Deputy for District #3 of the South Carolina State Council.

21. *In Recognition of District Deputy John H. Luse*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to John H. Luse for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as District Deputy for District #11 of the South Carolina State Council.

22. *In Recognition of District Deputy William E. Weiss, Jr.*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to William E. Weiss, Jr. for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as District Deputy for District #14 of the South Carolina State Council.

23. *In Recognition of District Deputy James W. Carswell*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg, South Carolina on the 6th day of April, 2024 extend sincere and great appreciation to James W. Carswell for his dedication and service to the Order, while he served as District Deputy for District #15 of the South Carolina State Council.

24. *For the Canonization of Blessed Father Michael McGivney*

RESOLVED, that the South Carolina State Council of the Knights of Columbus assembled in Spartanburg on this 6th day of April 2024 pray for the Canonization of our founder, Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney, and encourage all Brother Knights and their families to become active members of the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we pray for the intercession of Blessed Father Michael McGivney for our needs and the needs of all our loved ones, and report any favors; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we commit ourselves to follow his courageous example by leading lives of heroic virtue in our marriages, our families, our parishes and our places of work; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we honor the vision of Blessed Father Michael McGivney through a commitment to charity, unity, and fraternity that will cause our Order to grow, and through acts of charity, reach ever more people in need.



Knights of Columbus South Carolina State Council

April 4, 2024

Worthy State Deputy,

The Budget and Finance Committee has thoroughly reviewed the proposed budget for the next fraternal year, which has a Per Capita rate of \$7.50 per billable member (minus Inactive, Disabled, and Honorary Life).

The State Officers are to be commended for preparing the budget, considering the impact of recent Council mergers and reactivation efforts, the projected loss of billable membership due to the Affiliate Membership Initiative, and the increased cost of doing business in our current economy.

Therefore, after carefully reviewing the Proposed Budget for the Fraternal Year 2024-2025, the Budget and Finance Committee recommends its adoption.

I want to thank the following members of the Budget Committee for their time and diligence:

David Perez, DD #7

Bruce C. Hutchinson, DD #10

Respectfully Submitted,

Daniel E. Barton

Daniel E. Barton, PSD
Vice Supreme Master, DeSoto Province
Knights of Columbus

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South Carolina State Council
FY 2024 - 2025 Annual Budget

Per Capita based on \$7.50 per billable member

	Fraternal Year		Anticipated	Estimated	Actual Fraternal	Proposed
	Budget 2023- 2024	Actual thru 04/2/2024	6/30/2024	Fraternal Year 2023- 2024	Year 2022 - 2023	Fraternal Year Budget 2024- 2025
40001 · Per-Capita	\$ 41,509.00	\$ 41,821.00	\$ -	\$ 41,821.00	\$ 50,832.93	\$ 48,855.00
40005 · Insurance Liability	\$ 14,810.00	\$ 14,252.29	\$ 557.71	\$ 14,810.00	\$ 11,198.07	\$ 15,310.00
40006 · K of C Supreme - Incentive	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,556.50	\$ 500.00
40008 · Disaster Relief Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
40010 · Interest Earned	\$ 20.00	\$ 7.19	\$ 12.81	\$ 20.00	\$ 45.53	\$ 20.00
40045 · Supplies - State Pins	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
45020 · Convention Fees	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 7,560.00	\$ 18,440.00	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 24,555.00	\$ 26,000.00
45021 · Convention Advertising	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,290.00	\$ 4,000.00
45022 · SC Men's Conf. Other Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
45024 · Donations	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,637.09	\$ -
Total 45025 · SC Men's Conf. Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
45041 · Offering - Mass Collection	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,168.00	\$ -
45050 · Warriors to Lourdes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
45060 · Miscellaneous	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,480.82	\$ 1,519.18	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,705.82	\$ 4,000.00
47020 · Ceremonials - Membership	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
47120 · Christmas Cards Sales	\$ -	\$ 188.00	\$ -	\$ 188.00	\$ 2,165.28	\$ -
47140 · Ace Awards	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -
48120 · Charity Drive Donations	\$ 62,000.00	\$ -	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 62,000.00	\$ 64,895.00	\$ 62,000.00
49500 · Ultra Sound Initiative	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
State Council Support SCCMC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Income	\$ 152,839.00	\$ 66,309.30	\$ 86,529.70	\$ 152,839.00	\$ 168,069.22	\$ 160,685.00
Expenses						
60005 · Insurance & Liability	\$ 14,810.00	\$13,506.00	\$ 1,304.00	\$14,810.00	\$13,180.00	\$ 15,310.00
60007 · Disaster Relief Expense	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60010 · Bank Service Charges	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60015 · PayPal Exp. SC Men's Conf.	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$2,920.00	\$ -
60020 · Charity Raffle Council Awards	\$ 21,000.00	\$0.00	\$ 21,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$26,829.25	\$ 21,000.00
60025 · Food	\$ 30,951.00	\$ 14,322.95	\$ 16,628.05	\$30,951.00	\$33,594.93	\$ 30,951.00
60026 · Speakers Fees	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60034 · State Pins	\$ 1,300.00	\$0.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,340.00	\$ 1,300.00
60035 · Awards and Gifts	\$ 43,560.00	\$ 6,865.18	\$ 36,694.82	\$43,560.00	\$38,065.75	\$ 43,560.00
60036 · Audio and Computer Equipment	\$ 2,000.00	\$319.60	\$ 1,680.40	\$2,000.00	\$180.20	\$ 2,000.00
60038 · Web site and Video Calling	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,602.28	\$ 897.72	\$2,500.00	\$2,388.00	\$ 2,500.00
60039 · Office Supplies	\$ 428.50	\$ -	\$ 428.50	\$428.50	\$62.06	\$ 428.50
60040 · Printing and Copying	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,525.25	\$ 1,474.75	\$3,000.00	\$4,374.01	\$ 3,000.00
60041 · Postage and Mailing	\$ 500.00	\$ 26.40	\$ 473.60	\$500.00	\$763.84	\$ 500.00
60043 · Advertising	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60045 · Supplies	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,171.93	\$ 128.07	\$1,300.00	\$3,858.99	\$ 1,300.00
60047 · Audit	\$ 4,600.00	\$1,500.00	\$ 3,100.00	\$4,600.00	\$4,300.00	\$ 4,600.00
60048 · Fees and Permits	\$ 100.00	\$51.85	\$ 48.15	\$100.00	\$1,503.70	\$ 100.00
60049 · Incentives	\$ 2,500.00	\$0.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,329.49	\$ 2,500.00
60050 · Travel	\$ 4,850.00	\$959.40	\$ 3,890.60	\$4,850.00	\$5,046.00	\$ 8,000.00
60051 · Meeting/Facility	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$ -
60055 · Hotel	\$ 18,389.50	\$12,967.53	\$ 5,421.97	\$18,389.50	\$21,709.26	\$ 22,585.50
60070 · Christmas Card Expense	\$ -	\$1,201.75	\$ (1,201.75)	\$0.00	\$3,940.00	\$ -
60071 · Warriors to Lourdes Project	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60075 · Ultra-Sound Initiative	\$ -	\$8,907.65	\$ (8,907.65)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60080 · Bishop/State Chaplain	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$828.00	\$ -
60085 · Seminarians' Support	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60090 · Bereavement/Health Masses	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60095 · State Chaplain's Support	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
60100 · Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 1,050.00	\$1,318.52	\$ (268.52)	\$1,050.00	\$1,355.74	\$ 1,050.00
60101 · Military Chaplains' Scholarship	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
61102 · Patriotic Support Fund	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
61103 · Patriotic Support Fund	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -
State Council Support SCCMC	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 152,839.00	\$66,246.29	\$ 86,592.71	\$ 152,839.00	\$ 168,069.22	\$ 160,685.00

2024 Award Winners

Best Council

City	Council	Council Name	Grand Knight
Beaufort	5026	Michael O’Conner	Beda “Butch” Alvarez

Category	Winner	Council
Rookie of the Year	Timothy Williams	5194
Kight of the Year	Omar Billigue	11991
Golden Knight of the Year	Joseph Balotti	5194
Family of the Year	Cuenin Family	7129
Youth of the Year	Sorina Simion	6847

Charity Award	Robert McColl	11991
Catholicity Award	Guadalupe Jimenez	7289

Distinguished Service Award – Grand Knight Anthony F. Pellegrini, Council 6900

Blessed Michael McGivney Chaplain Award – Reverend Joseph Romanoski, Council 11325

Program Service Awards

Category	Winning Council
Faith	5026
Family	6756
Community	17760
Life	6884

South Carolina District – Fourth Degree Awards

Best Assembly

City	Assembly	Assembly Name	Faithful Navigator
Rockhill	2108	Fr. Henry Tevlin	Patrick J. Noone

Award	Winner	Assembly
Msgr. Johl L. Manning Catholicity Award	Elizabeth A. Joseph	3272
District “To Be a Patriot” Award	Msgr. Richard C. Madden	1900
Sir Knight of the Year	Milt DeLair	2108
Catholic Legacy Award	Thomas Gouker	3984