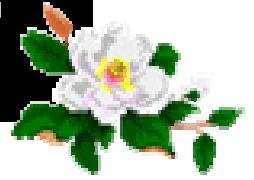




THE MAGNOLIA KNIGHT



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS—MISSISSIPPI

From the State Deputy's Pen... Thomas F. (Tom) Chady

With utmost sincerity, I, on behalf of the 6000 Knights in Mississippi, wish Bishop Houck the most peaceful and successful transition to his new full-time capacity as President of the Extension Society in Chicago. Bishop Houck has not only been a spiritual leader in Mississippi but also a true inspiration for all of us. We have truly enjoyed a warm and meaningful relationship with him. He will forever be welcome to any of our activities if his busy schedule so allows.

We look forward to serving Jackson Diocese's new Bishop-Designate Joseph Latino in the same manner and with the same enthusiasm as we have our past bishops. Let's try for a strong KC presence at his installation on March 7th.

As we round the turn and head for home, our State team is pleased to hear the councils' and DD's commitment to re-elevate Mississippi from our current tenth place



From the Chaplain's Point of View...

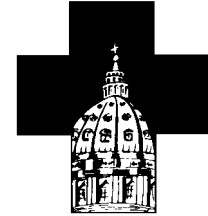
On the cover of the January 2003 issue of *Columbia* magazine, there is a photograph of Pope John Paul II with a very intense expression on his face and his hands clasped in prayer. Beside the photograph, inscribed in his own hands, are the words, "Peace in the name of God, Joannes Paulus II."

In April of the year, 1963, some forty years ago, Pope John XXIII issued an encyclical, entitled *Pacem in Terris* (Peace on Earth). Its spirit is as important and relevant now as it was then. *Pacem in Terris* suggests that four principles are crucial to real peace. It must be "founded on truth, built upon justice, nurtured and animated by charity, and brought into effect

position back to the top of our division. As of mid-December, our net growth stood at 20. Since then, we have initiated 56 new Knights and have scheduled four more First, Second, and Third Degrees in February and March. Enthusiasm remains high throughout the state, as wit-

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nessed by the excellent crowds at all three regional mid-winter meetings.

Our roundtable pursuit currently stands at seventy, which represents 156% of our goal and, more importantly, over 75% of our state parishes and missions. We have also attained 100% report submissions of Forms 185 and 365 and the July semi-annual audits, and we have already received over 50% of the annual fraternal surveys. Thank you for your outstanding effort in this regard. I hope that you continue to encourage car tag sales and enrollment in the Father McGivney Guild.

Vivat Jesus!



virtues and value of peace in our lives and the world, remember that peace was the first word spoken by the risen Lord. "Peace be with you," he said. At each Mass, we hear the words, "Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, I leave you peace, my peace I give you ... grant us the peace and unity of your Kingdom where you live forever and ever." Peace was truly the Lord's first gift to us. Let us cherish it. Let us work for it. Not only is a peace that is simply the absence of conflict but a peace that is characterized by the words of Pope John XXIII in *Pacem in Terris*, a peace that embodies truth, justice, charity, and freedom. For peace in our lives, for peace in our world, let us pray for peace in the name of God.

Rev. Robert Dore

under the auspices of freedom." How clearly those words speak to us, as we, in the year 2003, witness conflict and violence in so many areas of our world and indeed seem to be standing on the brink of war ourselves.

In light of the fortieth anniversary of *Pacem in Terris* and given our present world situation, perhaps this is an opportune time for us to renew ourselves in what the Church teaches about peace. Reading *Pacem in Terris* would be a good start.

As we pray for and reflect on the



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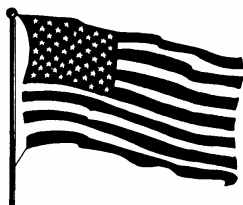


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Fr. Thomas Boyce, Batesville

Bro. John Brogan, Council 848, Jackson

Bro. Patrick P. Burns, Council 1034, Natchez

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Mother-in-law of Bro. Paul Gospordaski, DD5

Lynnie Gowan, wife of Bro. Bill Gowan, Council 848, Jackson

Bro. Buenaventura "B.J." Jane, Council 12166, Pascagoula

Bro. A.L. Kernion, Council 1583, Gulfport

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- Bro. Lesta Lee, Council 898, Vicksburg
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- Father Charles Loyacano, Vicksburg
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- Bro. Duwayne Weber, Council 1605, Pascagoula
- Bro. Henry Wilson, Council 848, Jackson
- Bro. Jim Woods, Council 8285, Jackson
- Sister-in-law of Bro. Philip Wright, Council 1908, Hattiesburg



EXEMPLIFICATION

The State Deputy, Membership Director, and Ceremonials Chairman have selected the following upcoming dates and locations for second and third degree exemplifications in our jurisdiction:

Date	Location
February 8	Clinton
February 16	Hattiesburg
March 15	Starkville
March 16	Kiln
June 7	Jackson

Honorees at each will be Pope John Paul II and a local Knight or member of the clergy. Contact the host Grand Knight to make arrangements.



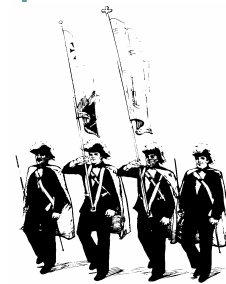
CORINTH HONORS RETIRING FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Raymond G. Ball

St. James the Less Council 8912 in Corinth held an appreciation dinner for Bro. Matt Czarnecki, who retired as Financial Secretary in December. Bro. Matt was appointed

to that office in 1985 when the council was formed and continued in this capacity for seventeen years of dedicated service.

Grand Knight Ray Ball pre-



SK Jim Lambert, Master, Mississippi District, Fourth Degree, asks that all assemblies coordinate Honor Guard activities or other Fourth Degree programs with the him. He can be reached at 601-798-1915. The Next exemplification will be February 15 in Madi-



VOCATIONS

Bud Tomaso, Vocations Director, Jackson Diocese

"Vocations are everybody's business!" "Pray for vocations!" Are these just words?

Our Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, tells us that we all have a duty to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life in response to Christ's own invitation to ask the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his own vineyard. Parents should encourage their children to be open to the possibility of God's call in their lives. Be assured that if you have a son or daughter in the service of God, you will be blessed beyond your imagination.

If your parish has a Holy Hour, spend an hour with Jesus, and ask for vocations. If there is no Holy Hour, a prayer before the Blessed sacrament will bear much fruit.



sented Bro. Matt the Financial Secretary jewel and a Celtic cross. Matt's wife, Terri, received an oil painting for her encouragement of Matt and her support

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NEW NAME FOR BROOKHAVEN COUNCIL

Supreme has approved a name change for Brookhaven Council 7915. It is now the Joseph Bonfiglio Council in honor of the late Brother Knight who did so much for his council for so many years. Brother Joe was a top-notch recruiter for our Order and was the epitome of a true Catholic gentleman.

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Is there a Shining Armor Knight in your council? Requirements within the first year of membership are
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4) meet with the council's insurance representative; and 5) recruit at least one new member.

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Our Squires



Squires circles in the Mississippi jurisdiction continue to grow. Recently Natchez had more boys to be received into the Squires through investiture. They have now filed paperwork for a charter. Ocean Springs Circle 2582 was featured in the October issue of the *Squires Newsletter* because they had purchased gifts for 105 nursing home residents. Accompanied by young ladies of the Junior Ladies Auxiliary sponsored by their sponsoring council's Ladies Auxiliary, they presented the gifts to residents who were deeply moved and asked the young people to pray for them. Ocean Springs Circle was also top circle in the Mississippi jurisdiction for the period, July 1 through October 31, 2002, with four new members. Please support these future Knights.

Supreme Families of the Month, September-November

Congratulations to the families of Bennett and Delores Trenmouth, Council 5654, Ocean Springs, and Jerry and Elizabeth Brister, Council 12166, Pascagoula, for being chosen Supreme Families of the Month for September. October honorees were Albert and Eva Grattafiori, Council 2969, Clarksdale, and Jeffrey and Cindy McAllister, Council 9094, D'Iberville. For November, the winner was David and Laura Dicarolo, Council 10901, Oxford. We salute these fine Catholic families.



MERIDIAN COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY WEBSITES

Chartered July 5, 1903, as Meridian Council 802, the oldest in the Mississippi jurisdiction, will celebrate its centennial this summer. The council name was later changed to Msgr. John J. Burns. It now has a website:

<http://www.geocities.com/grandknight802/index.html>. Additionally,

Msgr. John J. Burns Assembly #1251, associated with Council 802, is also online at <http://www.geocities.com/grandknight802/FourthDegree.html>.

See page 6 of this issue for information on the State Council website and other KofC websites in our jurisdiction.



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Mississippi KofC Websites

The State Council website can be seen at <http://www.ms-kofc.org/>, while other KofC websites in Mississippi are listed at <http://www.ms-kofc.org/898/counlink.htm#ms>. Councils are encouraged to develop websites, and limited help plus some webspace are available. Please do not hesitate to contact the State Council Webmaster, Brother Greg Rottman, rottang@vicksburg.com, or to the Editor, Brother Tony Dardeau, DARDEAUEA@aol.com, who assists Brother Rottman. Also, we ask that you report any new Mississippi KofC websites or website corrections, so that the directories can be kept current. We plan to continually update the State website, so that it will be useful and user friendly.

Magnolia Knight Online

The *Magnolia Knight* is now online. On the main webpage for the Mississippi State Council: <http://www.ms-kofc.org/>, click on [Magnolia Knight newsletter \(.pdf\)](#). We have done this so that all Brothers with access to the Internet will be able to view the current issue. An Adobe Acrobat Reader is required.

KofC License Plates

We have been given an opportunity to proclaim that we are members of the Knights of Columbus in Mississippi by means of a special vehicle license plate approved by the state legislature. The cost is \$30.00 above the regular tag fee, \$26.00 of which is returned to the State Council to support seminarians. A minimum of 200 tags must be pre-sold before the Mississippi State Tax Commission will begin production. An application form is included with this issue and can also be found on our state website:

<http://www.ms-kofc.org/kctags.pdf>

Please join your brothers, and purchase one or more special KofC tags. Mail the form accompanied by your \$30.00 check (payable to Mississippi State Council) to our State Treasurer:

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Note: Deadline for the June 2003 issue is May 15, 2003

STATE FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIPS



Martin Bisek, State Youth/Free Throw Director

The 30th Annual Mississippi Knights of Columbus State Free Throw Championships will be held March 22, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. St. Joseph High School, Madison. Competition is by five age groups (10 through 14 years) and by gender. Winners (or second-

place finishers if the winners are unavailable) from each age group and gender in each council are eligible for the State competition. The official KofC Free Throw Entry Form/Score Sheet (#1598) should accompany participants

through all levels of competition. For further information, contact State Youth/Free Throw Director Bro. Martin Bisek, 36 Westridge Drive, Brandon, MS 39047; H - 601/992-2020; W - 601/366-5650; e-mail: MJBrimKing@aol.com.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST

Martin Bisek, State Youth/Free Throw Director

Each council/roundtable is encouraged to sponsor a substance abuse awareness poster contest. Encourage all youth in your area to participate. Kits, which include guidelines and award certificates, can be ordered from Supreme.

Deadline for the State competition is March 14, 2003. All local winners are eligible. Entries should be sent to State Youth/Free Throw Director Bro. Martin Bisek (information above).

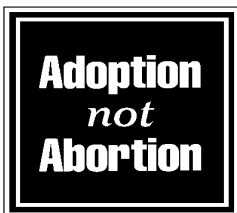


State Bowling Tournament



Jimmy Searcy

The Knights of Columbus State Bowling Tournament will be held at Natchez March 8 and 9, 2003. Contact Bro. Jimmy Searcy, Chairman, for details on event at 23 Woodville Drive, Natchez, MS 39120; 601/442-7459; e-mail: jsearcy@telepak.net. Knights, Ladies Auxiliary members, and Squires are eligible to participate.





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