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## A WORD FROM OUR STATE DEPUTY



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*Worthy State Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights, and fellow Knights of the Mississippi Jurisdiction:*

My two year term as the State Deputy of the Mississippi Jurisdiction is coming to a close. I am not sure if I am relieved that it is over, or sad that it has come to an end. One can only imagine the tremendous responsibilities and stress that comes along with this office. Worthy State Deputy-Elect Danny Lechner is just beginning to realize the weight and impact the office has in store for him. Just as I had when I assumed the office, Danny and the other State Officers as well as the Program Chairs bring a wealth of experience to the State Family to better serve our Knights throughout the State.

I have many people to thank for their support during my term as State Deputy and during the years as I went through the other State chairs. First and foremost, I thank my wife Denise for her sacrifices allowing me to attend activities and travel around the State. I also owe a great debt of gratitude to my home Council 9094, Grand Knight Roger Fetters, and my brother Knights for their tireless efforts and support. They have come to my aid and done fantastic things to ensure my needs as State Deputy were met. Three cheers for Council 9094.

My hat is off to the State Family—Membership and Program Chairs, Activity Chairmen, and coordinators, the Ladies Auxiliary, and the Fourth Degree. They made things happen!

I owe the 12 District Deputies many thanks and much appreciation for their leadership and support. They took their duties and responsibilities seriously and assisted our 59 councils. Best of luck to the newly appointed DDs!!!

Last and certainly not least, are the other State Officers including IPSD Rich Lieding. Danny has been my traveling companioning and we have had many good discussions regarding the MS Knights. Peter, who was our voice after Katrina, has done a super job managing the State's books. Jerry, who has kept us in line with our Supreme Constitution and Laws and spearheaded our State Ceremonials, he always there when needed. David, who has been our eyes and ears with the State of Mississippi, plus all that he has done with the KC license tags, has also supported us as Captain of the Jackson area Degree Team. We nurtured an enduring friendship among our group these past few years, one I will cherish forever.

It has been a distinct pleasure serving you and I look forward to providing support to the State Family in years to come. My only wish is for Columbianism to continue to flourish within our Church communities. Best wishes to you all and may God bless.

*VIVAT JESUS!*  
*Larry J. Tabor*  
*State Deputy*

### Upcoming Events

#### ◆ Exemplifications

Wednesday 27 Jun 1<sup>st</sup>  
Degree Council 5654 Ocean Springs

Monday 2 Jul 1<sup>st</sup> Degree  
Council 9673 Woolmarket

Wednesday 25 Jul 1<sup>st</sup> Degree  
Council 5654 Ocean Springs

#### ◆ Noteworthy Dates

Columbian Award  
Application Due 30 June

RSVP Application Due 30  
June

Per Capita Tax Levi 1 July

Report of Council Officers  
Due 1 July

Independence Day 4 July

Installation of State Officers  
7 July

Schools of Columbianism  
Southern Region - 8 July  
Northern Region - 14 July  
Central Region - 15 July

## SORRY!! LEFT OUT BY MISTAKE LASTMONTH

### STELLAR COUNCIL AWARDS

TOP GUN QUALIFIED; MEET INSURANCE QUOTA AND 8 PROGRAMS IN EACH PROGRAM AREA

JOHN T. SAVAGE  
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
OSCAR J. GELPHI  
ST. THERESE  
FR. PATRICK MCALPINE  
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI  
ST. PAUL  
MSGR. GREGORY KENNEDY  
ST. LUCY

COUNCIL 848  
COUNCIL 4898  
COUNCIL 6872  
COUNCIL 8285  
COUNCIL 9094  
COUNCIL 9543  
COUNCIL 10216  
COUNCIL 10499  
COUNCIL 11904

JACKSON  
LONG BEACH  
PICAYUNE  
JACKSON  
D'IBERVILLE  
MADISON  
BRANDON  
OCEAN SPRINGS  
LUCEDALE

## SOUTHAVEN HOLDS FIRST ANNUAL GOLF TOURNEY



### FIRST GOLF TOURNAMENT NETS \$2,948 FOR COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Great weather greeted the 12 teams that turned out for the first Hernando DeSoto Council golf scramble May 20 at River Bend Links. The team of David Burke, Thomas Kelley, Larry Ratliff and Henry Maxey took first place in the 4-man scramble, with the team of Rodney Newsom, Josh Newsom, Tim Tansey and Greg Lesley finishing as runner-up. Members of both teams won gift certificates from the pro shop at River Bend Links. Additional prize winners included Thomas Kelley, closest to the pin; Chad Gatewood, longest drive; Mike Zientek, straightest drive; and Hal Fulton, putting contest. All received golf bags as prizes. Fulton offered his prize for sale at the awards dinner and contributed the \$25 he received to the Council.

The winning bid for the golf bag was submitted by Worthy Grand Knight Bill Sonnemann, who played his first-ever round of golf at the tournament using borrowed clubs. If measured by the fun he had, the tournament must be considered a success.

Brother Knights were highly visible throughout the afternoon, pitching in to register teams, conduct the putting contest and serve as witnesses for the hole-in-one contest.

Approximately 90 guests were treated to a steak and chicken dinner contributed by Outback Steakhouse of Southaven. The event served as an awards dinner and a Religious Appreciation event, with six priests and 10 sisters

in attendance. The Council presented each of the priests and nuns with Outback gift cards as a gesture of appreciation for their service in the parishes served by the Priests of the Sacred Heart.

Country Ford of Southaven joined Outback Steakhouse as the event's corporate sponsors, offering a new Ford vehicle as the hole-in-one prize, which went unclaimed. The Council netted \$2,948 for its church, family and youth activities, priest education programs and the overall mission of Christ the King Parish in Horn Lake and Southaven.

Members of the Golf Planning Committee which spearheaded this new fund-raising venture were Fred Middleton, coordinator, and Terry Calvert, Larry Campbell, Vic Hageman, Jerry Jewett, Tara Mitchell, Ron Neal, Bill Sonnemann and Dan Warburton.



## 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE HELD IN LONG BEACH



June 3, 2007

Father John P. O'Connor Assembly 1719 in Long Beach hosted a 4th Degree Exemplification at the West Harrison County Community Center on Espy Ave. The exemplification honored two great men - His Excellency Bishop Rodi and Past State Master Paulino Carrubba, (deceased.) Bishop Rodi was honored for his steadfast support of the KC's and Ladies Auxillary and PSM Carrubba for his leadership of our State's 4th degree and as one of the main supporters of the seminarian fund for many years.

There was a corporate mass held for the Knights and their families immediately prior to the degree and it was very well attended. In total, 25 3rd Degree Knights became Sir Knights of the 4th Degree. There were 22 candidates on the 3rd but the overall class included 3 "special inductions" held on May 25th. On that day, Father Louis Lohan, Captain William Finn, and Commander David Sasek were made Sir Knights in a special ceremony presided over by the State Master - Dr. Paul. Father Louis was to be in Ireland on the day of the regular exemplification and the two other men are both active duty officers in the Sea-Bees. They were both "shipping-out" prior to the regular class, one going to

Korea and the other to Italy.

In all, we had a very well attended function and at the end of the day the entire class, their families, and honorees were treated to a delicious banquet served-up by the local council - St. Vincent de Paul #4898



The Class of May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007 (L to R) PSM Norman McDonald; Commander David Sasek; Marshal Ken Broussard; Fr. Louis Lohan; Captain William Finn; State Master Paul Gospodarski



The class of June 3, 2007



**NEW, SMALL, BUT ACTIVE...**

**THE NEW C. MARK LANDRY ASSEMBLY**, in D'Iberville may be small in numbers, but what they lack in numbers they make up for in participation. Assembly 3007 is one of the newest Assemblies in the state but just in the past few weeks have been instrumental in placing flags on graves at the Biloxi VA (for Memorial Day), began a deck/Handicap ramp project (to aid a Brother Knight) and hosted the annual Flag Day Ceremony (at Sacred Heart, D'Iberville). The new Assemblies activity has already sparked interest in the local councils and they have received several form 4's as a result. Growth is imminent and with a group of officers made up of:  
 An ex-Air Force Chaplain  
 A State Deputy  
 A District Deputy  
 A State Director  
 2 Current Grand Knights and 1 GK (elect)  
 This Assembly doesn't show any signs of slowing down...



*Sir Knights Stephen Dunn & Mark Fontenot place flags for Memorial Day*



*Sir Knights David Seymour, Tom Ross & Ed Creech begin construction on a deck/handicap ramp system*



*Faithful Friar, Fr. Bob Higginbotham leads the Flag Day Ceremony as Sir Knights, Patrick Chubb and Ed Guardanapo stand in honor*



*Sir Knights, Patrick Chubb and Ed Guardanapo display a "Betsy Ross" flag provided by Sir Knight Tom Bassett*

**2007 SCHOOLS OF COLUMBIANISM**

Brother Knights,  
 This is an early notice of the upcoming Schools of Columbianism.

The South Regional will be held July 8, 2007 in Biloxi at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Hall.  
 The North Regional will be held July 14, 2007 in Tupelo, Council 8848.  
 The Central regional will be held July 15, 2007 in Brandon at St. Paul's

- Requested council attendee's are:
- Grand knight
  - Deputy Grand Knight
  - Membership Director
  - Program Director
  - Financial Secretary
  - Treasurer

All meetings will be from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 pm

Dress is casual  
 Thanks, Vivat Jesus  
 Danny Lechner  
 State Deputy - elect



**GRILLIN' FOR LIFE MEAL TICKETS AVAILABLE**

Meals for the Grillin' For Life BBQ Cook-off are \$7 per adult and \$4 per child. One (1) drink is included with each meal. Also, a pre-purchased meal ticket gives you free admission the event. Again, this year we are having a great line up of LIVE ENTERTAINMENT. For more information and to order tickets PLEASE EMAIL grillinforlife07@aol.com or call me at 601-214-9463.

God Bless,  
 Gerry Clark



# APPLICATION FOR 2007 MISSISSIPPI KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BBQ COOK-OFF

Why? To raise money and awareness for Pro-life Organizations and to have fun.

When? Event is Saturday August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007; setup can start Friday night August 3rd.

Where? St. Joe Catholic High School, Madison, Mississippi.

Competition: There will be three different categories (Brisket, Chicken & Pork ribs) to compete in. A team may compete in one, two or all three. There will be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place for each category and then an overall winner.

Entry fees: \$100 to enter any one category, \$175 to enter any two categories or \$250 to enter all three categories.

Rules:

- ⇒ There should be no more than eight men to a team
- ⇒ All entries must be cooked on charcoal or wood or both
- ⇒ All entry meats are to be cold at the site to be inspected
- ⇒ No entry meats are to be injected but plain raw meat to start with
- ⇒ No entry is to be cooked before the contest
- ⇒ NO butane is to be used to cook with, but may be used for starting wood or charcoal
- ⇒ The blind boxes on all entries must have enough to feed ten to twelve judges
- ⇒ All teams must use leg quarters for the chicken category
- ⇒ All entries may have sauce with entries or not
- ⇒ If entries have sauce, it must be marked hot if so.

Category(s) entering      Brisket       Chicken       Pork ribs

Associated with \_\_\_\_\_

Team name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name and number \_\_\_\_\_

List members name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Circle entry fee based on number of categories entering: One \$100, Two \$175 or Three \$250  
 Make check payable to “Knights of Columbus BBQ cook-off” and mail check and application to  
 Knights of Columbus – Council #8285, P.O. Box 6672, Jackson, Ms 39282-6672