

Alabama State Council

2023 State Mid-Year Meeting

**Holy Spirit Catholic Church
Montgomery, AL**

January 7, 2023



Agenda

BREAKFAST (0800 – 0830)

MEETING OPENS

1) Meeting Call to Order (0830)

Danny Garcia, State Deputy

2) Pledge of Allegiance (0830-0835)

Mike Weist, District Master



Namaste مرحبا Bem Vindo Selamat Datang
Willkommen
Bienvenidos Bienvenue Croeso Welcome Bienvenidos أهلا وسهلا
Benvenuti Welkom Bem Vindo
Bienvenue
Bienvenidos Welcome Welkom مرحبا
Selamat Datang أهلا وسهلا Croeso Namaste
Welcome Bienvenue
Willkommen Benvenuti
добре дошъл
Καλώς ήλθατε

Welcome Y'all!



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Brother Mike Weist
Alabama District Master

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HOLY HOUR

3) Opening Prayer (0835-0840)

Deacon John Cooper, State Chaplain

4) Holy Hour (0840-0920)

Deacon John Cooper

5) Roll Call (0920-0925)

Bill Mores, State Secretary

OPENING REMARKS

6) 2002 Tear in Review Video (0920-0925)

7) Insurance Agent's Remarks (0925-0935)

Cam Ellis, Asst. General Agent

6) Deacon Cooper Remarks (0935-0940)

Deacon John Cooper

7) Supreme Director Remarks (0940-1000)

Robert Ennis, VP Membership Growth

8) ASK AL KOC (Ladies Auxiliary) (1000-1005)

Lois Mores, President

9) State Convention Update (1005-1010)

Bill Mores, State Secretary

LADIES EXCUSED



Holy Hour
Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



Opening Remarks



2022 Year in Review Video

<https://site-181864.bcvp0rtal.com/detail/video/6317860567112/kofc-year-in-review-2022?autoStart=true&q=2022%20Year%20in%20Review>





Knights of Columbus
INSURANCE

Asst. General Agent's Remarks

Brother Thomas "Cam" Ellis
General Agent for Alabama



DISCOVER
— THE —
Catholic
DIFFERENCE

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**Deacon Cooper's Remarks
For
Fr. Vernon Huguley
Alabama State Council Chaplain**



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Brother Robert Ennis

VP Membership
Supreme Representative



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Leadership

- *The Leadership Challenge* – Kouzes and Posner
- 5 Planks of Effective Leadership
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- Model the Way/Walk the Talk
- Capture Heads and Hearts



Questions to Ask Yourself....



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- What has been going well?
- What do I need to do better going forward to help my councils achieve their goals?



Key Areas of Focus

- Identify Issues - and Address and Overcome Them
- Training Opportunities – Identify and Promote
- Non-Recruiting Councils and Districts
- Hispanic Growth and NCD Opportunities
- Communication – Monthly calls with Council leaders
- Attitude of Membership Success from the top down
- Make sure all councils know about all incentives



Key Areas of Focus

- ◆ BlessedMcGivney! Online is the preferred join portal!
- ◆ Leverage General Agent and Field Agent Partnerships – build relationships and develop incentives for agents
 - Fraternal Benefit Nights
- ◆ Make sure Pastors know who we are – today
 - Ask Pastors to promote KofC membership – produce videos
- ◆ Greater council adoption of spiritual programs – Faith in Action and Cor Meeting Training
- ◆ Work with Councils to develop a plan for the remainder of the year
 - Use the Fraternal Planner



Thank You

- You have one of the most important jobs in the Order!
- Council success depends on YOUR ability to inspire, motivate, teach and train
- For all you do everyday to grow the Order!
- All of you make a difference – every day!



Mrs. Lois Mores Remarks

President, AL ASK KC



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State Convention

Save the dates

April 21-23, 2023



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Wind Creek Hotel & Casino Atmore, AL

- **\$159 Room Rate**
- **Casino** (\$15 Casino Credit for all registered attendees)
- **Spa, Pool, Fitness Studio**
- **RV Park**
- **Multiple Dining options**
- **Bowling Alley**
- **Movie Theater**
- **Arcade**



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Ladies Excused



DD Meeting



Agenda

DD MEETING

10) Roll Call (1010-1015)

11) State Deputy Remarks (1015-1030)

12) Membership Report (1030-1100)

13) Programs Report (1100-1135)

Bill Mores, State Secretary

Danny Garcia, State Deputy

Joe Flaherty, IPSD, Membership Dir.

Steve Koach, PSD, FDM, Programs Dir.

LUNCH (1135 -1220)





Brother Bill Mores, SS
Roll Call

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Welcome & Opening Remarks

**Brother Danny Garcia
Alabama State Deputy**



Thoughts About the Alabama State Council

- We are the embodiment of Christian standards
- We live by honor, loyalty, duty, which embody our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism
- Supreme virtue of Christian action - faith in action
- We create heroic visions for men - what they are and what they might become.



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Our Shared Vision

**TO ENGAGE IN CHARITABLE
WORKS, TO SERVE THE CHURCH,
TO SUPPORT BROTHER KNIGHTS,
TO ACT FOR THE GOOD OF OUR
COUNTRY, AND TO GIVE AID TO
THOSE IN NEED.**

**Our Councils are the “places”
where action happens**

**USEFUL + HONORABLE +
COMPASSIONATE = CATHOLIC
CHRISTIAN DIFFERENCE**



Love Your
Neighbor
As Yourself

IF NOT US, THEN WHO?

As DDs You Are Key To Our Success!

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At the Onset of the FY

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I asked you (DDs) to do 4 simple things:

- Lead by being present
- Teach by sharing experiences
- Mentor by coaching
- Encourage your councils with a positive CAN-DO ATTITUDE



The Man On Top Of The Mountain Didn't Just Happen To Fall There!

Alabama Goals



Areas	7/1/2022	10/1/2022	1/7/2023
Membership Intake	364	76 (21.35%)	New Goal: 332 as of 1/6/2023 201 (60.54%)
Recruitment Under 50	92	On Track	On Track
Star Councils	16	In Progress	In Progress
Faith Formation	3 Holy Hours	1 at Org Meeting Need 2 (Mid-YR, Convention)	2nd at Mid Year Mtg. 3rd at Convention
New Councils	2	In Progress	In Progress
Membership Drives	59	In Progress	In Progress
Active Councils	77	37	37
Round Tables	27	28	32
Safe Environment	34	13	29
Fraternal Benefit Nights	40 (2per yr/at least 7 eligible members)	9	13

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Near Term

- Affiliate Member Program
- Safe Environment
- State Per Capita now due
- Council Audits
- State Raffle
- Supreme Reporting (1728, sp-7, audit form)
- State Activity Reporting
- FBN reports
- **Fraternal Leader Advisory**
 - 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month
 - Anyone can sign up



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2023 State Pin



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No Man Walks Alone...

If you need help, advice or just want to talk...

- **State Officers, DDs, IPSD**
- **Reports Director**
 - Brother Michael E. “Mike” Weist
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 - Email: kofcmweist@gmail.com
- **State Training Director / Financial Secretary Training**
 - Brother Alan Cannon
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Joe Flaherty, PSD, State Membership Director

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S OVERVIEW



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Every Council Active 1 > 0

- Make personal contact with every Council that hasn't recruited one new member.
- Encourage them to strive for one new member before the end of the fraternal year.
- Be a positive contributor to the solution. Don't commiserate with them.
- One is better than none



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New Council Development Chairman

- New Council Development

Alabama State Council Membership Team

have 2 New Council in works for 2022-2023

Joseph E. Flaherty III, IPSD

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My Brothers Knights, I leave you with this,

There are no Accidents.

God chose us to lead at this time.

We can't do this alone and we don't have to do this alone.

From My lips to your ears – I love you and I will always do my very best to be of service to you.

Vivat Jesus!!!



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PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Steve Koach, PSD, FDM, State Program Director



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PROGRAMS

THE KEY TO SUCCESS!



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PROGRAM CATEGORIES

FAITH

FAMILY

COMMUNITY

LIFE



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FAITH IN ACTION DIRECTORS

- FAITH – DEACON JOHN COOPER
- FAMILY– CHRISTOPHER RICKLING
- COMMUNITY – JOE CHING
- LIFE - G. V. "SKIP" GENTLE, Jr., PSD, FVSM



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FAITH IN ACTION RESOURCES

Always refer to the website

**www.kofc.org/fiaresources and
www.kofc.org/formembers**



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FAITH	COMMUNITY
RSVP	Coats for Kids
Into the Breach	Global Wheelchair Mission
Spiritual Reflection	Habitat for Humanity
Holy Hour	Disaster Preparedness
Pilgrim Icon Program	Free Throw Championship
Building the Domestic Church Kiosk	Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
Rosary Program	Soccer/Hokey Challenge
Sacramental Gifts	Helping Hands
FAMILY	LIFE
Food for Families	March for Life
Family of the Month/Year	Special Olympics
Family Fully Alive	Ultrasound Initiative
Family Prayer Night	Pregnancy Center Support
Keep Christ in Christmas	Christian Refugee Relief
Family Week	Silver Rose
Consecration of the Holy Family	Mass for People with Special Needs
Good Friday Family Promotion	Novena for Life

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FEATURED PROGRAMS

FAITH	COMMUNITY
RSVP Into the Breach Spiritual Reflection Holy Hour	Coats for Kids Global Wheelchair Mission Habitat for Humanity
FAMILY	LIFE
Food for Families Family of the Month/Year Family Fully Alive Family Prayer Night	March for Life Special Olympics Ultrasound Initiative Pregnancy Center Support



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Important Due Date Reminder

Program	Required	Due Date
Soccer Challenge	State/Province Winning Entries from Score Sheet #4578	January 15th
Special Olympics	10784 Form	January 31st
Keep Christ in Christmas	State/Province Poster Winners	February 28th
Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest	State/Province Winning Essays	February 15th
Free Throw Championship	State/province Winning Entries form Score Sheet #1598	May 5th



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LIFE UPDATES



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March for Life

Go to kofc.org/march for dates of national, state and local marches taking place during the fraternal year.

Silver Rose

The 2023 Silver Rose routes have been announced.

Special Olympics

To earn a larger check to present to Special Olympics, encourage councils to report their participation in Special Olympics programs through the online [Fraternal Programs Report Form](#) (#10784). All participation taking place in calendar year 2022 must be reported through the online #10784 by January 31st, 2023, to be considered.

Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)



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K of C ASAP Program

- **Aid and Support After Pregnancy (ASAP) initiative**
 - Councils encouraged to offer support to pregnancy resource centers, maternity homes and other organizations which give direct assistance to new mothers and/or babies.
 - Launching July 1, the Supreme Council will give an additional \$100 (20%) for every \$500 a council donates to a qualified pregnancy resource center or a maternity home.
 - ASAP Guide Book available through Faith in Action Life Programs
 - <https://www.kofc.org/en/resources/faith-in-action-programs/life/pregnancy-center-support/11371-aid-and-support-guide-book.pdf>



11371 Aid and Support Guide Book

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ASAP IDEAS

Baby Gift Drive



Sponsored By
The Livermore
Knights of Columbus
And WINGS



Help support mothers and their babies by bringing needed items to

St. Charles Borromeo Church

On October 7th and 8th, 2017 after all Masses

Needed items are:

Newborn through 2T pajamas (Boy and Girl)

Especially need Boys 18 months - 2T clothes (outfits)

Wipes

Size 5 Diapers

Learning toys for 2 and up (no puzzles)

18 months - 2T boy socks

Gift cards for Walmart, Target, Ross, Kohl's and Toys R Us

(Please no used clothes or items)

Donations will be distributed by
Livermore Pregnancy Resource Center



Baby Bottle Drive For Pregnant Women in Crisis



The Livermore
Knights of Columbus
are sponsoring a baby
bottle drive for:

Pregnant Women and Babies

Life is a precious gift that should be nurtured and protected. Help a pregnant woman in crisis find workable solutions so she can give birth to her baby and face the future with dignity and hope!

When you fill this bottle with your currency and coin, you are changing the world, one life at a time.



Livermore Knights of Columbus
Council #4588



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FAITH UPDATES



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RSVP

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations is April 30, 2023.

Visit kofc.org/rsvp for resources.

Keep Planning Eucharistic Processions!

The Feast of Corpus Christi is on June 11, 2023. Please continue to promote and plan Eucharistic Processions for that day.

All Eucharistic Procession resources, including an instructional guidebook and video, can be found at kofc.org/eucharist.

Novena for Life

Pray for life during the bishops' annual 9 Days for Life Novena from January 19-27, 2023. Visit www.9daysforlife.com to sign-up! Visit www.kofc.org/novenaforlife for more resources to host your Novena for Life.



State Blessed Michael McGivney Award

Blessed Michael McGivney Medal

- Submit your council chaplain for state award
- State winners are submitted to State Faith Director by 31 March
- Application Forms (SBMMA) is available on the Supreme Website



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FAMILY UPDATES



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Family Fully Alive

The Family Fully Alive Program asks families to invite God into their homes and cultivates each family as a miniature domestic church.

For two program credits toward the Columbian Award – Distribute and actively promote the use of the Family Fully Alive Booklets (#10162).

For Family Fully Alive resources, visit www.kofc.org/familyfullyalive.

Food for Families

For every \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food donated, the Supreme Council will refund \$100 back to the council – up to a maximum of \$500 per council per fraternal year.

For two program credits toward the Columbian Award – Collect a minimum of \$500 or 1,000 pounds of food for a parish or community food pantry and contribute a minimum of 100 total man-hours in preparation/distribution/service of meals.

Report activity and apply for the refund using the [Food for Families Refund Application](#)(#10057).

For Food for Families resources, visit www.kofc.org/food.



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COMMUNITY UPDATES



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Soccer Challenge

Athletic event for boys and girls ages 9-14.

All the details about the program are outlined in the Soccer Challenge Kit, which can be ordered on Supplies Online and accessed on Officers Online.

For Soccer Challenge resources, visit kofc.org/soccer.

Free Throw Challenge

For boys and girls from ages 9 to 14 to provide an athletic outlet and encourage the values of sportsmanship and healthy competition. For more information, visit www.kofc.org/Freethrow

Global Wheelchair Mission

Cost - \$150 per chair.

Donate 10 wheelchairs – receive 2 credits toward the Columbian Award.

For more information, visit American Wheelchair Mission's website at www.amwheelchair.org.



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ONLINE REPORTING

- **Fraternal Report Form #10784**
- **Action Item: Every council should report their activities using this form**
- **Training Video on how to fill out the form is located on the Supreme website**
- **View the Program Forms Reference Guide**



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ONLINE REPORTING

***WHEN IN DOUBT – USE THE
“OTHER” BLOCK!!***



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AWARDS

CRITERIA FOR 2022 - 2023



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AWARDS

STATE DEPUTIES AWARD / RUNNER-UP

- OVERALL BODY OF WORK (TOTAL PROGRAM AREA)

SUPREME AWARD

**- BEST INDIVIDUAL / SINGLE EFFORT/ACTIVITY WITHIN
A PROGRAM AREA**

KNIGHT, FAMILY, YOUTH, AND COUNCIL OF THE YEAR



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AWARD SUBMISSION TIMELINES

ALL AWARD APPLICATIONS WILL BE SUBMITTED
BY **10 MARCH 2023**

TIMEFRAME FOR AWARD CONSIDERATION IS:
1 MARCH 2022 TO 28 FEBRUARY 2023

FORMS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ALONG WITH
INSTRUCTIONS AFTER 1 JANUARY 2023



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COLUMBIAN AWARD

- **16 Program Credits**
 - **4 credits in each category of Faith, Family, Community and Life**
- **Featured Programs – completed IAW Supreme Council guidelines will receive 2 credits**
- **DUE TO SUPREME ON 30 JUNE – THIS IS NON-NEGOTIABLE!!**



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Special Credit for Ukraine Solidarity Fund

- \$1,000 earns 1 credit in any category
- \$4,000 earns 2 credits in any category



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EIGHT STEPS TO GREAT PROGRAMS

- **Run quality programs that are active, intentional, and Catholic**
- **Be a Faith in Action Council**
- **Assess Council strengths and opportunities**
- **Establish a Council Planning Calendar**



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EIGHT STEPS TO GREAT PROGRAMS

- **Maintain contact with your Pastor**
- **Have a formula for events**
- **Don't be afraid of failure**
- **Appoint a strong Program Director AND give him the resources and support that he needs**



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PLANNING!

***THE KEY TO SUCCESSFUL
PROGRAM EXECUTION***



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VIVAT JESUS!



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Lunch!



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Agenda

14) Safe Environments Report (1220-1230)

Brian Lagasse, State Advocate

15) Chairman and Director Reports (1230- 1300)

- State Awards/Reports
- Intellectual Disabilities
- Soccer Challenge
- Health Services
- Hispanic Growth
- Free-Throw Competition
- Silver Rose
- Ultrasound
- Disaster Response
- State Trainer
- Pilgrim Icon
- Special Olympics
- KCIC

Mike Weist, Chair

Tom O'Donnell, Chair

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Carlos Fernandez, Chair

Rodolfo "Rudy" Fernandez

George Champion, Chair

Skip Gentle, PSD, FDM, FVSM, Chair

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John Blackburn, Chair

Alan Cannon, Chair

Joe McCarty, Chair

Jerry Brecher, Chair

Dennis Vaglica, Chair

17) 4th Degree Report (1300 -1310)

Mike Weist, District Master

18) District Deputy Remarks (1310-1340)

All Present



State Advocate Report

Brian Lagasse

State Advocate

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Safe Environment Training

Role	Training	Background Check
Grand Knight	✓	
Program Director	✓	
Family Director	✓	✓
Community Director	✓	✓

kofc.org/en/safe-environment-program



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Safe Environment Status

As of 12/1/2022

- **26 Councils fully compliant**
- **20 Councils are 1 position away from compliance**
- **17 Councils need 2 or 3 positions for compliance**
- **18 Councils have ZERO training completed**
 - 11 of these Councils have not submitted Form 185
 - 17 of these Councils have not submitted Form 365



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Needing Just 1 to go!

D1 : 7679	D9 : 17202
D2 : 3227, 5597, 11215	D10 : 11480
D3: 4083	D13 : 12618
D4 : 13446	D14 : 13085
D5: 10354	D16 : 3986, 3989, 6661
D7 : 12011	D17 : 7270, 8740, 17040
D8 : 666, 14507	

20 councils lacking just 1 position to be fully SE compliant
as of 12/1/2022*

Grand Knights can hold one other position



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What “No Record” means

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Council Report	Council City	Safe Environment Praesidium's Armatus®					
12/1/2022		Star Council Requirements					
		Grand Knight (501)	Program Director (511)	Community Director (514)	Family Director (519)	Final Council Compliance	Positions Compliant
666	Mobile	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Record	Not Compliant	3
3227	Anniston	Yes	Yes	No Record	Yes	Not Compliant	3
3986	Decatur	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Record	Not Compliant	3
3989	Florence	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Record	Not Compliant	3
4083	Tuscaloosa	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Not Compliant	3
5597	Leeds	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Not Compliant	3
6661	Muscle Shoals Area	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Record	Not Compliant	3
7270	Mobile	Yes	No Record	Yes	Yes	Not Compliant	3
7679	Scottsboro	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not Compliant	3
8740	Mobile	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Not Compliant	3
10354	Gardendale	Yes	Yes	No Record	Yes	Not Compliant	3
11215	Trussville	Yes	No Record	Yes	Yes	Not Compliant	3
11480	Enterprise	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Not Compliant	3
12011	Wetumpka	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Record	Not Compliant	3



State Directors & Chairman Reports

EACH SPEAKER HAS 2 MINUTES TO PRESENT A BRIEF CONCISE REPORT
DO NOT BELABOR DETAILS!



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State Awards & Reports - Brother Michael E. “Mike” Weist

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State Awards / Report Forms Director

Leadership Resources (5093)

FORMS AND REPORTS

<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Form/Report</u>
June 30	<i>Report of Chosen Officers for the Term (#185)</i> <i>Service Program Personnel Report (#365)*</i>
August 15	<i>Semiannual Council Audit (#1295)</i>
September 15	<i>District Deputy Report (#944)</i>
January 31	<i>Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (#1728)*</i>
February 15	<i>Semiannual Council Audit (#1295)</i>
March 10	State Council Service Program Awards Contest (#STSP) and, Family of the Year Contest to your state council
June 30	<i>Columbian Award Application (#SP-7)*</i>
Monthly - 15th	<i>Family of the Month (#1993)</i>



* Indicates Star Council Award Requirement

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State Awards / Report Forms Director

Form 185 (Officers Chosen)

as of 12/23/2022

05164	07213	12914	13174
15247	16381		

TOTAL COUNCILS NOT REPORTING 06

- No minimum entries to receive credit for submission.
- GK, FS, Treasurer, DGK, Membership Director, and Advocate (officer's online access)



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Form 365 (Service Program Personnel)



as of 12/23/2022

02734	02736	05164	07213	10064
10903	11554	12270	12765	12914
13125	13174	13367	13512	13513
13679	15247	16381	16400	TOTAL
COUNCILS NOT REPORTING 19				

Requires only 5 entries, three must take youth protection, while two of the three need a simple background check.
Membership Director has 'Officers Online' access.



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State Awards / Report Forms Director

Form 1295 (August Audit) – submit via email

as of 12/22/2022

02734 *	03038 *	03565 *	05164 *	05636 *
07213 *	09676	12765 *	13125	13163
13174 *	13679	15247 *	16381 *	16400 *
TOTAL COUNCILS NOT REPORTING 15				

Astrisk* = missed at least the last two reports.

Councils missing reports as far back as 2014



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State Awards / Report Forms Director

Form 1728 (Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity)

as of 12/01/2022



ALL Councils are 'in the window'.

First submission is **Due** by 31 January – electronic submission
Closes 31 May 2023 for local reporting

GK or FS shall use the On-Line form 1728C and continue
to populate till complete or 31 May 2023



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State Awards / Report Forms Director

Form 990 (IRS) (no record of report or not current)

as of 12/22/2022

00635*	00666*	02631#	02734#	03227#
03565#	04888*	05164#	06661#	07213#
07584*	08740#	11480*	11537#	11554#
12765#	12914#	13446#	13512#	13513*
15247*	15490#	15845#	16381#	16400#

TOTAL COUNCILS NOT REPORTING for 2021 25



Revoked – requires reapplication and \$600.00 fee to the IRS

*No record of 2021 reporting

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State Awards / Report Forms Director

Available 24 / 7

Call anytime

**Will work with your Councils
'one-on-one'**



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Intellectual Disabilities Campaign - Brother Tom O'Donnell

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Intellectual Disabilities

- **As of 19 December – Reports from 21% of the Councils, \$46,296 (58% of the goal)**
- **Significant dates:**
 - 16 December – Form 1
 - 24 January – Form 2
 - 1 April - Requests to ID Foundation
- **80% of collections returned to Council via Form 2 Input**
- **20% to ID foundation (Per the State ByLaws)**



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Soccer Challenge Chairman – Brother Tom O'Donnell

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Soccer Kick Competition

- **7 Councils from 5 Districts**
- **Virtual State Competition**
Scores from Council determined District submissions
District scores (10 kicks) were added to Council Scores to determine State scores
- **State winners received a certificate and a K of C Soccer Ball**
- **Advertise within the Parish and use it as a recruitment tool**
- **Don't ask your councils if they are going to participate**



ASK HOW THEY CAN MAKE HIS HAPPEN NEXT YEAR!

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- **Please consider beginning or rejuvenating your council's Blood Drive Program and providing blood to our brother knights and their families.**
- **Anyone in good health can donate blood, if they can pass the screening test given at the time of donation.**
- **Two or three councils, if possible, should work together to hold a "Blood Drive". A consolidated/joint effort should save on time, effort and resources.**
- **If any council wants information about starting or rejuvenating a Blood Drive program during the fraternal year, please feel free to contact me at my contact number below.**



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State Blood Drive Program

North Regional							
Districts		1	11	13	16	20	
Councils		3568	764	12618	3986	4080	
		7679	1484	13512	3989	10232	
		13152	11672	15845	6661	16248	
					13679	17519	
							17
Mid-North Regional							
Districts		2	3	4	5	18	
Councils		3227	2631	931	5164	635	
		5597	4083	9550	7213	4304	
		10331	7584	9676	8551	9862	
		11215	11537	13446	10354	10064	
		12270	16400			10567	
		13513					24
Mid-South Regional							
Districts		6	7	10	19		
Councils		893	2738	5636	*3859		
		12150	10731	6727	8696		
		15093	12011	11480	13415		
				15810			13
South Regional							
Districts		8	9	12	14	15	17
Councils		666	2736	12914	*3038	2737	2734
		4888	10903	16381	13085	8959	3565
		11366	12765		13125	11554	7270
		13174	13339		13163	15715	8704
		14707	16555		13367		15490
			17202		15247		17040
							29
							83
* Inactive							
		Denotes Councils with established Blood Drive Program (Hosted)					
		Councils participating in some type of blood drive program					



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Accessing Blood Drive Reporting

- **Go to: Alabama State Council website**
<https://kofcalabama.org>
- **Under the heading – Programs**
- **Select: Community**
- **Then select: Blood Drive Program Log**
<https://kofcalabama.org/programs/blood-drive-program-log>



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BLOOD DRIVE BASICS
NOT GOING OVER CHARTS
USE FOR COUNCIL PLANNING PURPOSES



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HOSTING A BLOOD DRIVE

How to instructions!



What the Host Provides



- **Location:** A large open room with enough space to ensure donor privacy.
- **Volunteers:** For recruiting, scheduling and supporting donors.
- **Donors:** You will need to recruit and schedule donors for your drive.



What the Blood Accepting Organization Provides



- **Planning Assistance:** Your representative will work with you to plan and organize the blood drive.
- **Recruitment Tools:** They help you determine how many donors you need and how to recruit them, including an online scheduling tools for your donors.
- **Equipment and Supplies:** They bring everything needed to your location, set it up and take it down at the end, including snacks and drinks.
- **Trained Staff:** Staff will confidentially screen donors and collect donations, safely and professionally.



Before the Drive

- Work with your representative throughout the process. They offer advice and answer questions.
- Set the date well in advance, avoiding scheduling conflicts with other major events in your organization.
- Select a location, preferably a large open room (cafeteria, school gym, large conference room) with space to ensure donor interviews are conducted in a private and confidential manner.
- Recruit volunteers to help you sign up donors and to help the day of the drive go smoothly.
- Recruit donors.
- Sign up donors, using representatives scheduling system – this will help you keep track of your signups and offer donor reminders and thank you email templates.
- Advertise the drive through newsletters, bulletin boards, hallways and elevators, your organization's intranet, social media pages, and via email.
- Engage community partners to supply donor incentives, thank you gifts and treats such as extra cookies or pizzas for your donors and volunteers. (Discuss these in advance with your Red Cross Rep!).
- Follow our Coordinator Checklists for key steps to complete 12 weeks out, 2 weeks out, the week before and the day before the drive.



Day of the Drive

- Arrive early to meet the team; we'll arrive up to two hours prior to the first appointment in order to set up.
- Be available throughout the day in case the drive supervisor needs your help adjusting room temperature or addressing other facility questions that may arise.
- Send reminders or make calls to scheduled donors, especially those who miss their appointments.
- Manage the volunteer schedule so the registration and refreshments areas are always covered.



After the Drive

- **Feel good about helping saves lives; as a host, you facilitated may donations that might not have been made otherwise – each of which can help save up to three lives.**
- **Get your drive results from your blood drive representative. They can share with you how many units were collected relative to y0ur goal.**
- **Work with your blood representative so that you can continue your efforts to make blood drives a positive experience for your council.**



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www.kofc.org/JoinUs
www.kofc.org/sic



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2023 Alabama Knights of Columbus Hispanic Growth Plan

- **Request meetings with Grand Knight and Pastor**
- **Learn about the Parish's missions and goals**
- **Broadcast KofC-Faith in Action; Mass, RICA, Church Events...**
- **Invite men to join the Knights...they are needed to help us serve God, family, our priests, bishops, churches, community and each other**
- **Talk about the Silver Rose and For-Greater-Glory**
- **Assist with the e-member Council 98001 registration process**



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Promote, Recruit, Retain

✓ **What is a Knight & what do they do?**

Visit Councils, Hand-outs & Presentation

✓ **Silver Rose schedule**

EWTN

✓ **8 min-Spanish Video: Knights in Action!**

KofC Spanish Series - Overview v2 on Vimeo

✓ **8 min-Spanish Video: For Greater Glory!**

<https://site-181864.bcvp0rtal.com/detail/video/5667087533001/for-greater-glory-spanish?autoStart=true&q=the%20greater%20glory>

- **[] On-Line Membership Form**
- **[] Admission Session/Council meeting**
- **[] Exemplification**
- **[] Round Table? / Council?**



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Free-Throw Competition – Brother George Champion

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Basketball Free-Throw Competition

- **State Competitions**
 - Local Competition - January 2023
 - District Competition - February 2023
 - **State Competition - March 18, 2023**
- **Location for the State Competition**
 - Will be at Montgomery Catholic High School
- **Time**
 - 9am – 12am or 12:30PM



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Silver Rose - Brother Skip Gentle

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Silver Rose

Silver Rose Dates

- Alabama will receive the Rose on **September 4, 2023 and leave Alabama on October 1, 2023**

Entry Into The State

- The Silver Rose will enter Alabama from Pensacola and leave Alabama at Birmingham on EWTN.

Schedule Development

- In the process of completing the first draft of the schedule. I have about 20 locations wanting the Rose.

Be Aware

- The **schedule** is the driving force of the campaign. **Schedule based on first come first served!**
- District Deputies will move the Rose across the State on a schedule.
- Please make sure the newly elected Grand Knights know about the Rose coming to his council.
- Last year over 5 locations that did not know anything about the schedule.



Reserve Your Spot By Contacting Skip
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Ultrasound Report

THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PROGRAM WE HAVE. It changes lives and saves lives. You may ask, what about Roe v. Wade? There are still places where abortions are taking place. Georgia for one. We must save these children. Think about all those babies we have saved over the years. Some are celebrating Christmas for the first time. Think about the parents, grandparents and their brothers and sisters who are celebrating with these babies for Christmas.

Current Status

- Have **2** requests for ultrasound machines - **Decatur and Springville**
 - The Decatur unit paperwork has been sent up to Supreme for approval and standing by. It took 3 months to raise the funds.
 - Collecting funds for the Springville unit. We have collected just over **\$3,000 and we need \$13,500 more to complete this request.**

Thank You! If it were not for your generosity, we would not been able to install **15 new units over the last 2.5 years and 45 NEW UNITS OVER THE LAST 10+ YEARS.**



**Please donate any amount to fund this life saving program.
Please give what your council can afford.**

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Disaster Responder's Program



- **Primary objective of the Knights of Columbus Disaster Responder's Program**

Promote an active awareness of the program in each council or group of neighboring councils within the state.

- **Second Responder**

A trained and registered brother Knight who is prepared to respond in support of his community, in the event of a man made or natural disaster. As part of the team or in collaboration with the council, a second responder prepares for, coordinates and participates in disaster recovery efforts with local, state and federal agencies in the periods immediately before, during and after their arrival.

- **Each council will develop its own emergency preparedness plan**

- *Based on resources and compile a list of members who will participate.*
- *Each Grand Knight will designate a Council Disaster Coordinator*
 - *This person should be a recognized leader within the council and can work with local EMA officials.*



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DISASTER PREPAREDNESS



Get Involved

Before, during, and after disasters, CERT volunteer teams perform basic response activities, including checking in on neighbors, distributing information to the public, supporting emergency operations centers, and helping to manage traffic and crowds. Local CERT programs train and organize teams of volunteers to assist their families, neighbors, co-workers, and other community members during emergencies when professional responders may not be immediately available to provide assistance. CERT offers various opportunities with you in mind.

CERT Basic Training

This covers basic skills that are important to know in a disaster when emergency services are not available. With training and practice, and by working as a team, you will be able to protect yourself and maximize your capability to help for the greatest number of people after a disaster. There are 9 core units to CERT basic trainings.

- Unit 1: Disaster Preparedness
- Unit 2: CERT Organization
- Unit 3: Disaster Medical Operations - Part 1
- Unit 4: Disaster Medical Operations - Part 2
- Unit 5: Disaster Psychology
- Unit 6: Fire Safety and Utility Controls
- Unit 7: Light Search and Rescue Operations
- Unit 8: Terrorism and CERT
- Unit 9: Course Review, Final Exam and Disaster Simulation



•FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR COUNTY EMA DIRECTOR!

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State Training Director – Brother Alan Cannon

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2023 TRAINING UPDATE

- Changing online platform to ZOOM instead of GoToMeeting
- Monthly online open sessions
- Monthly email “newsletter” ?
- One-on-One online available if needed
- Call or Email any time
- Please notify me of officer changes!



Questions?

- Refuse to be Confused!
- The only dumb question is the one you don't ask!
- Email me
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- Call me
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Pilgrim Icon Report

- St. Joseph Pilgrim Icon is Available to Councils Upon Request.

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Special Olympics Alabama

- **Reminder** - - Special Olympics Reports are made using Form 10784 online.
 - A. During the year, Supreme collects these reports in an “Alabama Folder” online.
 - B. If council reports are submitted after each event, no further action is required.
 - C. If no reports were submitted during 2022, an end-of-year Form 10784 is required, indicating “zero” activity or donations. The suspense is January 31st.
- **Moving Forward** - - If councils have not done so, appoint a council, Special Olympics coordinator. Report at every meeting. Create a support plan best suited for your council (coach, trainer, guide, “cheer leader/booster club” etc.).
 - A. Check the web site, www.specialolympicsalabama.org for activities. Attend an event, introduce yourself, meet points of contact.



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Special Olympics Alabama

B. 2023 goals remains the same - - every Council supports one event and donates \$100.

C. Submit Form 10784 after completing an action, supporting an event or making a donation.

- The state plans to hold a state basketball competition in March, in Montgomery and, State Games at Troy University, Troy, in May.
- For more information, contact Jerry Brecher at jerrybrecher@kofc-alabama.org. Also, check the web site, www.specialolympicsalabama.org or contact Ms. Finlay Witherington, Special Olympics Alabama, at soaltraining@bellsouth.net or 334-242-3383. Donations to payee “Special Olympics” at Special Olympics Alabama, P.O. Box 6239, Montgomery, AL 36106-9998.

Thank you for your support



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Keep Christ In Christmas Chairman - Brother Dennis Vaglica

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Thanks! To Councils:

- 2737 – Fr. Ryan Poet Priest
- 8696 – St. Michael the Archangel
- 10232 – St. John the Baptist
- 11672 – Good Shepherd
- 12150 – Holy Spirit
- 13415 - Fr. Thomas A. Judge
- 17519 – Most Merciful Jesus



For Participating In This Wonderful Program!

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Pete Parrish, PSD, Vice Supreme Master

VSM REPORT FOR ALABAMA



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Mike Weist, District Master

FOURTH DEGREE REPORT



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EXEMPLIFICATIONS

3 EXEMPLIFICATIONS COMPLETED
FLORENCE
HUNTSVILLE
DAPHNE

38 NEW SIR KNIGHTS



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EXEMPLIFICATION TEAMS

2 NEW TEAMS ESTABLISHED

**HUNTSVILLE (SP)
DAPHNE**



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INFORMING THE COUNCILS

EMAILS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

150 MEMBERS MAILED, 3724 EMAILED

8 ENVELOPES RETURNED, 360 EMAILS



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2023 EXEMPLIFICATIONS

FEBRUARY 18, ST PETERS, BIRMINGHAM

APRIL 15, ST JOHNS, MADISON

MAY XX, HOLY SPIRIT, MONTGOMERY

JUNE 17, ST JUDES, SCOTTSBORO (SP)

GOAL 135 NEW MEMBERS



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MEETINGS

ALABAMA STATE CONVENTION – 22-23 APRIL 2023

SUPREME CONVENTION - AUGUST 2023 – ORLANDO

BIENVILLE PROVINCE MEETING- SEPTEMBER 2023



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DISTRICT DEPUTY REMARKS

30 MINUTES FOR GENERAL REMARKS



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Agenda

CLOSING REMARKS

19) Supreme Representative Closing Remarks (1340-1345)

Robert Ennis, VP Membership Growth

20) Past State Deputy Remarks (1345-1350)

21) State Officers Remarks (1350-1400)

- a) Tom Hart
- b) Joe Flaherty
- c) John Bares
- d) Brain Lagasse
- e) Pat Jackson
- f) Bill Mores
- g) Danny Garcia

Administrative Assistant
Immediate Past State Deputy
State Warden
State Advocate
State Treasurer
State Secretary
State Deputy

MEETING CLOSURE

22) Closing Prayer (1400-1405)

Bill Mores, State Secretary

23) Adjourn (1405)

Danny Garcia , State Deputy



Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

