2011 Knights of Columbus



State Convention

Come, Let Us Celebrate...

Msgr. Thomas O'Reilly Council #1563 Casper, Wyoming





Knights of Columbus

WYOMING STATE CONVENTION APRIL 2011

Friday, April 29

Best Western Ramkota, Casper

8:00 am	Registration desk opens – (Ramkota)
9:30 am 10:30 am 10:00 -?	State Officers Meet (Ramkota meeting room 110) State Officers and District Deputies Meet (Ramkota meeting room 110) Awards Committee meets – Ken Dugas, Chairman, and all Past State Deputies in attendance (Ramkota meeting room 112)
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch on your own
1:00 pm	Mass; State Chaplain, Father Tom Kadera, (St. Anthony's Catholic Church)
2:30	Open Session, (Ramkota, Conference Theater) Opening Prayer – Father Tom Kadera Pledge of Allegiance - District Master Raoul Laganiere Opening Ode – PSD George Burns
	Welcome and Introductions; State Deputy, Patrick Doherty
	Supreme Knight (Video Address)
	Special Olympics presentation
	Mileage & Per-Diem committee dismissed to room 110
	Committee Reports: Family Life – Dave & Dolores Langerman, Pro-Life – Dale & Eve Thompson Membership report – Raoul Laganiere Insurance – Field Agents Church - Grant Havens
	Officer Comments Good of the Order, Closing prayer – Father Tom Kadera
4:30 Standing C	Committee Meetings (Resolutions, Audit, Memorial, Budget, and Credentials)

6:30 Dinner, (Parish Center, St. Anthony's Church)

Saturday, April 30

6:30am	Breakfast, (St. Anthony's Church, O'Reilly Hall)
8 am	Closed Session (Ramkota, Conference Theater) Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, Opening Ode State Deputy Report Roll call – State Secretary, Don Scott State Chaplain Address, Father Tom Kadera Standing Committee Reports Credentials Committee Audit Committee Mileage & Per-diem Budget
	By-Laws changes discussion
9:30 – 9:45	Break
9:45	Change from Heaven roll call – State Secretary Don Scott Insurance Roll call – State Deputy Patrick Doherty Charitable Trust report – Rev. Mr. Don Stewart, PSD Supreme Representative – Supreme Warden , Francesco R. Gomez
11:15	Adjourn 3 rd degree meeting
11:15	4 th Degree Meeting – District Master Raoul Laganiere
12:00	Awards Luncheon (Ramkota)
2:00	Meeting resumes (closed) (Ramkota)
	Program Director Report – Jim Venjohn
	Officer Nomination Speeches Ceremonial Report – Jerry Hoefler Changes to ceremony – Joe Welte, Patrick Doherty General Agent report – Doug Parsons
	State Officer comments
3:30	Adjourn for Mass
5:30	Memorial Mass (St. Anthony's Church, Bishop Paul D. Etienne)
7:00	Social Hour (Ramkota)
7:30- ?	Banquet (Ramkota)

Sunday May 1

6:30am	Breakfast, (St. Anthony's Church, O'Reilly Hall)	
8:00 am	Closed Session (Ramkota, Conference Theater) Opening Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call – State Secretary, Don Scott State Treasurer Report – State Treasurer, C. Joe Welte	
9 - 9:15	Break	
9:15	Host District Deputy Report – Ron Knievel, District Deputy 3 Resolutions report – State Advocate Paul Puebla, Ralph Trotter, District Deputy 7 Vote on changes to By - Laws	
10-10:15	Break	
10:15	Election of Officers Election of Alternates to Supreme Convention Selection of 2014 Convention Site State Officer Comments	
11:00	Open Session Host Grand Knight Report – Norman Long 2012 Convention update Supreme Warden's comments – Francesco R. Gomez Good of the Order Closing Prayer Closing Ode – PSD George Burns	
12:00	Lunch (Brown Bag)	



Knights of Columbus

Donald J. Scott State Secretary 2210 S. Gillette Ave. Gillette, WY 82718

Friday, April 29

Best Western Ramkota, Casper

1:00 PM The Convention convened with Mass; State Chaplain, Father Tom Kadera, held at St. Anthony's Catholic Church

2:30 PM Open Session, (Ramkota, Conference Theater) Opening Prayer was led by Chaplain Father Tom Kadera Pledge of Allegiance led by Worthy District Master Raoul Laganiere The Opening Ode was led by PSD George Burns

Welcome and Introductions was conducted by State Deputy, Patrick Doherty A video address was played featuring Supreme Knight Carl Anderson Special Olympics presentation and check was presented.

Dave & Dolores Langerman delivered their report for Family Life.

Pro-Life results and report was given by SD Pat Doherty for Dale & Eve Thompson.

Raoul Laganiere presented the membership report for the year and outline of programs.

The insurance report was given by field agent Jerry Hoefler with remarks from the other agents. A report was made on the status of the K of C insurance program.

Grant Havens delivered his remarks on the Church program conducted by various councils.

Officer comments were given with prayers for the good of the Order followed by a closing prayer for the afternoon led by Chaplain Father Tom Kadera.

4:30 PM Resolution, Audit, Memorial, Mileage and Per-diem, Budget and Credential Committees met. Adjournment was declared and the delegations attended dinner and karaoke at the St. Anthony's Parish Center at 6:30.

Saturday, April 30

8:00 AM The Convention was called to order in a closed session at the Ramkota, Conference Theater.

Prayer was led by Chaplain Reverend Thomas Kadera.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Worthy District Master Raoul Laganiere.

Opening Ode was led by PSD George Burns.

State Deputy report was delivered by worthy State Deputy Pat Doherty.

Roll call of the state officers was conducted by State Secretary, Don Scott

State Chaplain Address was delivered by Father Tom Kadera.

Short remarks were delivered by Supreme Representative Francisco R. Gomez.

Standing Committee Reports were given: Credentials Committee Audit Committee Mileage & Per-diem Budget

By-Laws change discussion was conducted by Worthy Immediate Past State Deputy Doug Gasseling. Language was cleared up, changes made and passed. Will be submitted to Supreme.

Break

Change from Heaven roll call was taken by State Secretary Don Scott with councils presenting their collections.

Insurance Roll call was taken by State Deputy Patrick Doherty for council insurance at \$2.00/member.

Charitable Trust report was given by Rev. Mr. Don Stewart, PSD

Supreme Representative, Supreme Warden , Francesco R. Gomez gave his remarks and praised the flow of the meeting.

11:15 Adjourn 3rd degree meeting

11:15 4th Degree Meeting – District Master Raoul Laganiere conducted a short meeting going over new procedures for Color Guard and organized the group for Mass Saturday.

Adjourned for Awards Luncheon

Tootsie Roll Award- Gillette 3477 Community Activity Award- Cody 4031 Council Activity Award- Gillette 3477 Family Activity Award- Lander 5447 Youth Activity Award- Casper 9917 Church Activity Award- Gillette 3477 Pro-Life Activity Award-Torrington 6623 Scrap Book Small Council- Douglas/Glenrock 6558 Scrap Book Large Council- Torrington 6623 Saturday Night Banquet Knight of the Year- Bret Ladenburger, Casper 1563 Family of the Year- Tracy and Linda Norris, Gillette 3477 2:00 PM Meeting resumed in closed session for 3rd degree members.

Program Director Report was given by Jim Venjohn councils were active and successful.

Officer Nomination Speeches were given:

State Deputy- Donald J. Scott State Secretary- Carl Joe Welte State Treasurer – Paul Puebla State Advocate – John Benedik State Warden-

Ceremonial Report Chairman, Jerry Hoefler reported on the schedule for the rest of the year and The changes to the 3rd Degree ceremony were discussed by Joe Welte and Patrick Doherty.

General Agent report was given by Doug Parsons with praises to our 3 Field Agents.

State Officer comments were instructional.

3:30	Adjourn for Mass
5:30	Memorial Mass (St. Anthony's Church, Bishop Paul D. Etienne)
7:00	Social Hour (Ramkota)
7:30-?	Banquet (Ramkota)

Sunday May 1

8:00 AM The meeting was called to order in a closed 3 rd degree session at Ramkota, Conference Theater)				
Opening Prayer was led by Father Tom Og	νσ			
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Worthy St.				
	te Secretary, Donald J. Scott and certified.			
State Treasurer Report was given by State				
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9:15 AM Host District Deputy Report was read an	ld entered into record by Ron Knievel,			
District Deputy 3	<i>y y</i>			
Resolutions report was delivered by State	Advocate Paul Puebla, and Ralph Trotter,			
District Deputy 7				
A vote was conducted on changes to By – Laws and passed to approve changes that				
and will be sent on to Supreme.				
Resolutions were presented and voted on	and the results were as follows:			
Resolution Number 1	Passed			
Resolution Number 2	Passed			
Resolution Number 3	Passed			
Resolution Number 4 Passed				
Resolution Number 5	Passed			
Resolution Number 6	Passed			
Resolution Number 7	Passed			
Resolution Number 8	Passed			

Resolution Number 9	Passed
Resolution Number 10	Passed
Resolution Number 11	Passed
Resolution Number 12	Passed
Resolution Number 13	Passed
Resolution Number 14	Passed
Resolution Number 15	Passed
Resolution Number 16	Passed
Resolution Number 17	NOT Passed

10:15 AM Election of Officers was held and these Are the results:

State Deputy- Donald J. Scott State Secretary-C. Joe Welte State Treasurer-Paul Puebla State Advocate- John Benedik State Warden- James Venjohn following an election between Jim, John S. McKee and Greg Kinstetter

Election of Alternates to Supreme Convention: 1st Ken Stockwell 2nd Doug Gasseling

Selection of 2014 Convention Site was awarded to Casper 9917 with an Option to trade with Jackson for 2013 following SD approval.

State Officer Comments were given expressing appreciation and gratitude.

11:00 AM Open Session with wives and guests entering.

Host Grand Knight Report was given by GK Norman Long 2012 Convention update was given by Larry Lux for Rock Springs Supreme Warden's comments were delivered by Francesco R. Gomez The Good of the Order was conducted. The Closing Prayer was led by Father Thomas Ogg Closing Ode was led by PSD George Burns

Adjournment at 12 Noon.

Submitted and Attested to by,

Donald J. Scott

Donald J. Scott State Secretary, WY

2011 State Convention, Casper Committee Assignments

<u>Audit</u>

Advisor: Immediate Past State Deputy Chairman: Grand Knight 1563 Grand Knight 3237 Grand Knight 4031 Grand Knight 6623 Grand Knight 9756 Grand Knight 10773

Budget

Advisor: State Treasurer Chairman: Grand Knight 2104 Grand Knight 801 Grand Knight 3477 Grand Knight 7214 Grand Knight 9431 Grand Knight 10027

Credentials

Advisor: State Secretary Chairman: Grand Knight 6558 Grand Knight 2337 Grand Knight 2720 Grand Knight 3551 Grand Knight 7789 Grand Knight 2578

<u>Memorials</u>

Advisor: State Chaplain Chairman: Grand Knight 2441 Grand Knight 2128 Grand Knight 3043 Grand Knight 6216 Grand Knight 6334

Mileage and Per Diem

Advisor: State Warden Chairman: Grand Knight 8635 Grand Knight 5447 Grand Knight 3332 Grand Knight 7453 Grand Knight 9917 Grand Knight 11291

Resolutions

Advisor: State Advocate Chairman: District Deputy 8 District Deputy 1 District Deputy 2 District Deputy 3 District Deputy 4 District Deputy 5 District Deputy 6 District Deputy 7



WYOMING STATE COUNCIL Knights of Columbus

PATRICK J. DOHERTY State Deputy 900 N. Elm Avenue Gillette, Wyoming 82716

State Deputy Report

April 30, 2011

Your Excellency, Bishop Etienne, Reverend Fathers, Worthy Supreme Warden Francisco Gomez, Worthy State Officers, Past State Deputies, District Deputies, Grand Knights, Convention Delegates, guests, Brother knights all,

Beginning in July, the summer organizational meeting was held in Riverton with their council hosting the state officers, District Deputies and program people. Also joining us were representatives from council 1563 in Casper. Benny Viegra the Membership and Program Coordinator from the Supreme Council was in attendance and assisted in the training. The summer organizational meeting is an excellent opportunity for Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knights to get a leg up on the year by receiving the same training that your District Deputy is receiving.

August was the Supreme Convention in Washington, DC where several of our resolutions were adopted, many slightly modified and lumped with other states resolutions also the RSVP resolution which we struggled with last convention passed as a stand alone. Those in attendance from Wyoming at the Supreme Convention included Bishop Hart, Immediate Past State Deputy Doug and Cristie Gasseling, State Secretary Don and Lauree Scott, State Warden John and Peggy Benedik, my wife Cathy and I along with three of our children.

September a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree were held in Sheridan in honor of the victims of 9-11-01. The 1st ultrasound initiative matching check was received from Supreme. Sheridan council is the first in the state to purchase an ultrasound machine using the ultrasound initiative program.

On October 7th, I was privileged to attend a first degree in Worland where they brought in 6 new members and attained 150% of quota. On the 15th, I attended an ordination in Cheyenne for two Carmelite Marks.

In November, we received news that Wyoming placed 3rd in our division of the World Series of Membership, winning a \$500 premium. This money was later used to reward the Grand Knight of any council and District Deputy of any district which achieved 50% of membership quota by December 31 with a state shirt. The councils earning a shirt were: Sheridan, Powell, Worland, Torrington, Rock Springs, and Green River. District Deputy Jack Rogers also earned a shirt.

In December, the state membership meeting was held in Casper at the Come On Inn, mass was celebrated at St. Patrick's and Saturday's dinner was provided by Casper Council 9917. Cody received the 2nd ultrasound initiative check for Wyoming. These two machines purchased by the Knights of Columbus in our sparsely populated state in one year speaks tons about the Pro-Life convictions of our members.

The Annual March for Life was held in January in Cheyenne and several Knights were in attendance marching. The Cheyenne Council provided a lunch following the march. January closed out with a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree in Cheyenne.



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A 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree were held in Casper hosted by 9917 in February. After which I left for home to attend my home council's Wives Appreciation Dinner. In February, Wyoming reached the (11.95%) membership in the member racing contest, receiving a \$100 premium.

March was busy, I jumped for the Special Olympics in the Jackalope Jump; two major degrees were held, one in Powell and two weeks later the second in Green River. Sandwiched inbetween was the State Free throw Shoot held in Casper, hosted by 9917. I was unable to attend the degree in Green River as all State Deputies and one conferring officer from each jurisdiction were summoned to a Supreme Ceremonial Conference in Dallas, Texas. State Secretary Joe Welte, a conferring officer, and I attended this conference where a new 3rd degree ceremony was unveiled.

This brings us to April and most are getting ready for this convention, and a few councils are recruiting new members as we achieved the 10% mark in member racing (11.35%). We currently have several councils within reach of STAR Council. Several councils are either at quota or close, but many councils still need a boost in insurance including but not limited to the following:

2337 Kemmerer with 67%, 2104 Sheridan with 110%, 2441 Rock Springs with 111%, 2720 Laramie 120%, 3551 Wheatland 100%, 7453 Green River 120%, and 8635 Worland with 150%.

The following councils are also close on the insurance side but still lacking on the membership side:

3043 Powell with 50% membership and 100% insurance, 3237 Riverton with 78% membership and 100% insurance, and 6623 Torrington with 78% and 100% insurance.

All of this places us currently ahead of last year at this time for intake and net gain and net/net, yet we are short of the Circle of Honor goals set by Supreme. I am however very concerned about the number of suspensions. This is commonly the time of the year that supensions start showing up and all our gains could be lost very quickly- WE MUST STOP BLEEDING MEMBERS!!! Ask the member and his wife if they know the benefits they will lose including daily mass for all deceased members and wives. Retention begins the moment you propose a new candidate and must be maintained continually.

To close, I would like to thank you for the privilege to serve as State Deputy. It has been a true honor which has produced many wonderful memories and great friendships which I will cherish for life. Thank you.

Fraternally.

Patrick J. Doherty Wyoming State Deputy



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Donald J. Scott State Secretary 2210 S. Gillette Ave. Gillette, WY 82718

May 1, 2011

Worthy State Deputy, State Chaplain, Supreme Representative Francisco Gomez, Reverend Fathers, Brother Knights,

I has been my pleasure to serve you as State Secretary for the last 2 years. I hope that the convention in Casper will be enjoyable and productive.

As of the end of March 2011, there were 2808 members in 30 councils. The Wright Council is still suspended. Our membership numbers are as follows:

Associate Members-	1900	
Insurance Members-	908	
Sub-catagories		
Inactive Members-		134
Honorary Members-		73
Honorary Life Members-		357
Disabled Members-		6

Finances for the State Council, show all but 2 of the councils are up to date except Wyoming College Council 10773 and Wright Council which has been suspended for over 10 years. 21 councils participated in the liability insurance coverage. 28 councils are in good standing. State Treasurer will report on the status of the Wyoming State Council finances.

The Convention booklet is available for download from the state website: <u>http://wyomingkc.org</u>. The 2011 convention booklet will be submitted to Supreme through the State Deputy.

May God bless you all.

Vivat Jesus,

Submitted and Attested to by,

Donald J. Scott

Donald J. Scott State Secretary, WY



Knights of Columbus

Patrick Doherty

Wyoming State Deputy

Dear Sirs and Brothers;

It doesn't seem possible that it is time for convention again. I would like to thank Casper Council 1563 for hosting.

The best news of the Treasurer is that we are in good shape in the State Council Treasury. We have trimmed the budget so we have been able to meet all of our obligations.

We now have all of our accounts in one location, which is in Hilltop National bank in Casper. It has been a real joy to be treasurer for the State and has had some interesting challenges. With the help of other past treasurers has always been a very good resource.

In March I was privileged to be able to attend the conference in Dallas on the changes to the third degree. The conference was very well done.

I learned that after May first the old degree will no longer be used. The new Degree will be easier and I hope a lot more enjoyable for the candidates as well of the team.

I would like to thank all of you for letting me be your state Treasurer.

Yours in Christ

Carl (Joe) Welte

Wyoming State Treasurer

Budget for 2010 - 2011

Budget and Spent 2010-2011

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Account		Budget	Adjustment to Budget Added or subtracted (results will show	Spent	Remaining
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1	State Officers Allowances	\$225.00	\$0.00	\$225.00	\$0.00
2	DeSmet Mass	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
3	Religious Honoraium	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$44.66	\$455.34
4	State Convention M&P	\$13,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,000.00
5	State Convention Clerical	\$1,200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
6	State Convention Registration	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,200.00	\$800.00
	State Officer				
7	Meeting/Membership	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,226.30	(\$1,226.30)
8	State Council Expenses	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,905.37	\$94.63
9	State Deputy Expenses	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$53.56	\$446.44
10	State Deputy - Supreme Convention	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$242.56	\$1,157.44
11	Supreme Convention	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,214.13	(\$1,214,13)
12	College Council Rebate	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
13	Morality in Media	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.00
14	Audit	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
15	Pro Life Chair Couple	\$725.00	\$0.00	\$385.50	\$339.50
16	K of C Chairitable Trust	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
17	State Council Travel	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
18	Keep Christ in Christmas	\$2,009.35	\$0.00	\$1,999.19	\$10.16
19	Special Projects	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$462.15	\$87.85
20	Ceremonial Expenses	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$400.60	\$599.40
21	Insurance	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00
22	Miscellaneous Non Budget	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
23	Pass Through Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
20					
	TOTAL	\$40,419.35		\$22,359.02	\$18,060.33

Total Income Received

Beginning Balance as of 7/1/2005

\$44,419.75

\$7,795.88

\$29,856.61

Balance Remaining

		2010-2011	2011-2012	
Account	CATEGORY	Budget Committee Present	Budget Committee Proposal	
ACCOUNT	State Officers Allowances	\$225.00	\$225.00	
2	DeSmet Mass	\$100.00	the second se	
3		\$500.00		
4	Religious Honoraium State Convention M&P	\$13,000.00		
5	State Convention Clerical	\$1,000.00	second and the second se	
6		\$3,000.00	the second s	
7	State Convention Registration	\$5,000.00		
	State Officer Meeting/Membership	\$2,000.00		
8	State Council Expenses State Deputy Expenses	\$500.00		
10	State Deputy - Supreme Convention	\$1,400.00	and the second se	
11	Supreme Convention	\$4,000.00	and the second sec	
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17		\$1,000.00		
	Keep Christ in Christmas	\$50.00		
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20	Insurance	\$750.00	the second s	
21	Miscellaneous Non Budget	\$100.00	\$100.00	
22	Pass Through Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00	
	TOTAL	\$37,285.00	\$38,785.00	\$0.00
	Total Income Received July 1 to April 21	\$41,751.90		
	Balance as of April 29 2011	\$30,960.75		
	Zambia house for Cardinal Joseph	\$2,268.00	N	
	St Joseph's Society	\$15.00		
		Income	Profit	
	Keep Christ in Christmas	\$2009,35	\$10.16	
		Income	paid to council	Profit
2	Tootsie Rolls	\$11,876.45	\$7,938.15	\$1,700.00
	Hilltop certificates of Deposit	6 Month	18 Month	
		\$17,053.46	\$12,230.54	
	Christopher Fund	\$14,335.44	χ.	

Wyoming State Council of the

Knights of Columbus

91st Annual Meeting

RESOLUTIONS

April 29 — May 1, 2011 Casper, Wyoming

2011 RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Resolutions Committee has met and has reviewed all resolutions submitted by the Wyoming State Council, its committees and its subordinate councils.

Committee's recom	<u>mendation</u>	<u>Do Pass</u>	Do not Pass
Resolution Number	1	Х	
Resolution Number	2	Х	
Resolution Number	3	Х	
Resolution Number	4	Х	
Resolution Number	5	Х	
Resolution Number	6	Х	
Resolution Number	7	Х	
Resolution Number	8	Х	
Resolution Number	9	Х	
Resolution Number	10	Х	
Resolution Number	11	Х	
Resolution Number	12	Х	
Resolution Number	13	Х	
Resolution Number	14	Х	
Resolution Number	15	Х	
Resolution Number	16	Х	
Resolution Number	17	Х	

The Resolutions Committee recommends the following actions

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph Trotter, District Deputy 8 Resolutions Committee Chairman Attest,

Paul E. Puebla

Paul E. Puebla, State Advocate Resolutions Committee Advisor

Resolution 1

Whereas the Knights of Columbus has pledged loyalty to the hierarchy of the Catholic Church; and

Whereas the delegates to the state convention have been honored by the annual attendance of the Bishop of the Diocese of Cheyenne at their annual meetings;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council extend its appreciation and best wishes to The Most Reverend Paul D. Etienne, Bishop of Cheyenne with prayers for continued good health, wisdom and inspiration for leadership of the Catholic Church in Wyoming.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 2

Whereas the Wyoming Knights of Columbus relies on the unwavering good advice and council from the Supreme Knights of Columbus:

Therefore be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council convey its fraternal appreciation to the Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson, the Supreme officers and the Supreme board of directors for their outstanding leadership and untiring dedication to the Knights of Columbus and to the Church; and

Be it further resolved that the Wyoming Knights of Columbus hereby reaffirm its pledge of continued loyalty and support to the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus. [Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Whereas the Wyoming Knights of Columbus is honored to be a part of the great organization of the Knights of Columbus; and

Whereas the joy of being part of the great organization includes the blessings of fraternity;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council extends to the Supreme Representative Francisco R. Gomez and his lovely wife, Shirley, its sincere appreciation for their attendance and participation in this state convention: and

Therefore, be it further resolved that the Knights of Columbus pray that God continues to grant Supreme representative Francisco R. Gomez & wife, the needed strength and vision to guide and administer the charitable and fraternal works of the Order.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 4

Whereas the Wyoming State Knights of Columbus believes that Father Michael J. McGivney was and is a truly Blessed Priest inspired by God.

Therefore be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council continues to pray that the will of God may prevail in the cause for the beatification of Father Michael J, McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 5

Whereas the Knights of Columbus respects life from conception to natural death; and

Whereas the Knights of Columbus stands firm against taking of a life of a human being, by abortion, euthanasia or capital punishment;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council continue its opposition to abortion, euthanasia and the death penalty.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 6

Whereas members of the Knights of Columbus believe that Father Michael J McGivney was and is a truly Blessed Priest inspired by God. And through his example the Knights of Columbus are the protectors of the Roman Catholic Faith and its Priests who without there would be no Holy Eucharist and therefore no Catholic Faith.

Therefore be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council continue to encourage every local council to endeavor to support the retirement of our Wyoming clergy through the St Joseph Society Retirement Fund.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 7

Whereas the Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic Gentlemen pledged to support and care for the Church: and

Whereas funds donated to the annual Bishop's Appeal, Living and Giving in Christ, help finance diocesan activities; and

Whereas many Catholics are unaware of the benefits received in their parishes from services provided through the appeal;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Church director of each council in the state take responsibility for encouraging the knights of his council to actively promote greater participation in the annual Bishop's Appeal, Living and Giving in Christ.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 8

Whereas the subordinate councils of the Wyoming State Council participated in the 2008 Keep Christ in Christmas/ Send Religious Christmas Cards program to spread the message of the true meaning of Christmas and to raise funds for specific council charities; and

Whereas the Wyoming State Council receives a profit from the 2008 keep Christ in Christmas/Send Religious Christmas Cards program; and

Whereas the delegates of the 2009 state convention determined by a majority vote to approve the charity or charities chosen by the host council to receive the Wyoming State Council's profit from the 2009 Keep Christ in Christmas, be selected by the convention host council

Therefore be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council donate the profits from the 2010 Keep Christ in Christmas/ Send religious Card Sales charity chosen by Council 1563. [Submitted by the Wyoming State Council]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 9

Whereas current provisions specify that the Wyoming State Council pay for the bishop of the Diocese of Cheyenne to attend Supreme Convention, without reference to retired bishops of the diocese; and

Whereas retired bishops are held in the highest esteem by grateful members of the diocese; and

Whereas every effort should be made to continue to afford them distinguished status within the Knights of Columbus;

Therefore be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council reimburse travel expenses to attend the 2011 Supreme Convention to any retired bishops of the Diocese of Cheyenne who are members of the Knights of Columbus.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 10

Whereas over 100,000 people in the United States of America are on waiting lists for organ and tissue transplantation, and more names being added to the list daily and with similar numbers in other countries where the Knights of Columbus is active; and

Whereas that number most certainly includes a percentage of members of the Knights of Columbus in the Unites States and other countries; and

Whereas the transplantation list included men, women, and children waiting for liver, lungs, heart and heart valves, kidneys, pancreas, corneas, skin, tendons, and veins; and

Whereas his Holiness Pope John Paul II, called organ and tissue donation "An Act of Charity and Fraternal Love," with transplantation morally and ethically acceptable to the Vatican.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Wyoming State Council, Knights of Columbus hereby proposes that the /Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus create an Organ Donor Awareness program to educate members worldwide of the importance of becoming organ and tissue donors.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 11

Whereas the "Traveling Door" is an important part of the history and tradition of the Knights of Columbus in Wyoming; and

Whereas space on the door is precious;

Be it resolved that if the "Traveling Door" does not appear at any given state convention, the previous council or councils which hosted the convention shall be levied a fine of one hundred dollars, and that such fine be donated by the Wyoming State Council to the Charitable Trust;

Be it further resolved that, every council sign on the third door shall be no larger in height than three inches;

Be it further resolved that, if any council sign on the third door exceeds three inches in height, the council in violation shall be levied a fine of twenty-five dollars for every inch over the three inch limit, and that such fine be donated by the Wyoming State Council to the Charitable Trust, This fine shall only be assessed once.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 12

Whereas Project Moses is a non-profit organization providing 10 commandments and beatitudes monuments to faith communities.

Therefore be it resolved, that the Councils of Wyoming are urged to take the lead in fulfilling our Bishop's goal of a monument in every parish, mission parish and Catholic School.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 13

Whereas the Wyoming State Council is grateful to the host council of the 91st annual Knights of Columbus state convention;

Therefore, be it resolved that the officers and delegates here assembled recognize Knights Columbus Monsignor Thomas F. O'Reilly Council 1563, of Casper, Wyoming and their families, for their excellent efforts in planning and hosting the 2011 state convention, and be it further resolved that the Wyoming State Council thank Council 1563 for their hospitality and congratulate it for upholding the honor and dignity of this organization of Catholic Gentlemen.

[Submitted by the Wyoming State Council of the Knights of Columbus]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 14

Whereas Special Olympics of Wyoming provides year around competition and training for Special Olympic in Wyoming at no charge to the athletes with training for some of the athletes to become coaches also provided; and

Whereas this competition provides for social interaction and camaraderie for all athletes and a sense of accomplishment; and Whereas Wyoming Special Olympics offers 16 sports to athletes in winter, summer and fall games and the training and preparation for the competition provides activity for all involved with all funding coming from donations from generous supporters: and

Whereas the Knights of Columbus are proud supporters of Special Olympics on an International level;

Therefore be it resolved that the Wyoming State Council donate the 2009-2010 fraternal year proceeds from the Manual Michael Davila Fund for Charities to Wyoming Special Olympics.

[Submitted by Council 3477, Gillette, Wyoming]

Resolutions committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 15

Whereas the Knights of Columbus prides itself on respecting and promoting life; and

Whereas birthmothers are or will be seeking to reenter the workforce, or enter a new career field, or continue their education, career or enter vocational counseling; and

Whereas there is the Wyoming Save a Life fund set up for scholarships for these birthmother's needs,

Therefore be it resolved that the Knights of Columbus support the above premise by encouraging subordinate councils and individual Knights to support the scholarship fund that is administered by Wyoming Catholic Charities and distributes the scholarships as to the needs of the applicant.

[Submitted by Council 6623 Torrington, Wyoming]

Resolutions Committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 16

Whereas, the Wyoming Knights of Columbus has the Web Site for the use of the Knights and councils of the State of Wyoming.

Whereas, we have a need for priests in the Diocese of Cheyenne.

Whereas, the RSVP program is one that is for the aid of these seminarians who are studying for the priesthood.

Therefore, be it resolved that we link to the Dioceses Vocational director's Web Site so that councils can have a idea who the Seminarians are.

Also, be it also resolved that we encourage all of the council's to participate in the RSVP program.

[Submitted by Council 6623 Torrington, Wyoming]

Resolutions Committee recommendation; Do Pass

Resolution 17

Whereas the fight to protect the lives of unborn children has been, and continues to be one of the most important efforts of the Knights of Columbus; and

Whereas the Knights of Columbus holds dear the teachings of the Catholic Church; and

Whereas the Knights of Columbus respects life from conception to natural death; and

Whereas the Knights of Columbus stands firm against taking the life of a human being by abortion;

Therefore, be it resolved to support the annual March for Life in Cheyenne, Wyoming. A pro-life chair couple should be appointed and sent to the March for Life from the State Council and the pro-life chair couple from each Knights of Columbus Council in Wyoming should be encouraged to attend. The State Council shall pay mileage and one day per diem for the State Pro-life couple from their home council, and each local council will be encouraged to pay one day per diem and mileage to their pro-life chair couple to attend the March for Life.

[Submitted by: Council 3477, Gillette, Wyoming]

Resolutions Committee recommendation; Do NOT Pass



Knights of Columbus

WYOMING STATE COUNCIL

John E. Benedik Jr. State Warden 1208 Mill Street Laramie, WY 82072-1826

Worthy State Deputy, The Most Reverend Paul D. Etienne Bishop of Cheyenne, State Chaplin, Supreme Guest and Representative, Reverend Fathers, and Brother Knights,

Welcome to the 91st Annual State Convention in Casper, WY, and celebrating the 100th year of the Msgr. Thomas O'Reilly Council #1563. I hope that your stay in Casper is both enjoyable and spirit filled. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as the State Warden this fraternal year.

I was asked to take care of technology and supplies for the Knights of Columbus Wyoming State Council. Additional PC cables were purchased, a flag case to protect the flags and a flag stand. A metal container was purchased for the Change from Heaven program, which will double as a transport device for the flag stands. I also had the voting box repainted, because it was peeling paint badly.

May God bless you and your families!

Vivat Jesus,

John & Benedal

John E. Benedik Jr. State Warden



Roll of State Officers

Office	Name	Present (P) or Absent (A)
Wyoming State Deputy	Patrick J. Doherty	Р
Wyoming State Chaplain	Rev. Father Thomas Kade	era P
Immediate Past State Deputy	Douglas A. Gasseling	Р
Wyoming State Secretary	Donald J. Scott	Р
Wyoming State Treasurer	C. Joe Welte	Р
Wyoming State Advocate	Paul E. Puebla	Р
Wyoming State Warden	John Benedik	Р
	Number of state officer	votes: _7_
Signed,		

Date: _April 30, 2011_____



Roll of District Deputies

District	Name	Present (P) or Absent (A)
1	John Kaiser	Р
2	Ronald J. Knievel	Р
3	James Borzea	Р
4	Ronald Pieracini	Р
5	Jack Rogers	A
6	Sherwin D. Cater	Р
7	Robert F. Alverez	Р
8	Ralph H. Trotter	Р

Signed,

Date: ___April 30, 2011_____



Roll of State Service Program Directors and Chairmen

Office	Name	Present (P) or Absent (A)
Program Director	James Venjohn	Р
Vocations Chairman	Joseph Eleshuk	А
Round Table Chairman	Larry Lux	Р
Community Director/Communications	Tom Atwood	А
Pro-Life Chaircouple	Dale & Eve Thompson	А
Council Director	Gene Baehler	А
Public Relations Chairman, Newsletter Editor	Raoul Laganiere	Р
Awards/Report Forms Chairman	PSD Ken Dugas	Р
Family Activities Directors	Dave & Delores Langern	nan P
Youth Activities Director	Brian Dever	Р
Membership Director	Raoul Laganiere	Р
Keep Christ in Christmas Chairman	Donald Viktorin	Р
Ceremonials Chairman	Jerome Hoefler	Р
Campaign for Citizens with Intellectual Disabilities Director	Roland, "Nick" Eckes_	Р
Fr. McGivney Guild Chairman	PSD James Hasquet_	Р
Charitable Trust Chairman	PSD Deacon Don Stewa	rt P
Insurance Promotion Chairman	Jerome Hoefler	Р
Web Master	Marlene Sibley	А
Food for Families	William J. Briere	Р
Church Director	Grant Havens	Р
Retention Chairman	Dick Adamski	А
PSD attendees not on committee	George Burns	Р
	Thomas Enright	Р
Signed,		

Date: _April 30, 2011___



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WYOMING STATE COUNCIL Temporary Roll of Delegates

Council (P or A) (P or A) Delegates Alternates Р А John Lee 801 William N. Willingham III Robert A Caley _____ Tom Enright_____ P____ Α____ Norm Long_____ P ____ Rodney Birkle _____ 1563 Α Michael Bordgett Р Bob Leibrich _____ P ____ А 2104 H. Joseph Mallo Terry Winnop_____ Ρ____ Ken Weber _____ А 2128 Charles C. Redmond ____ P ____ Robert L. Taylor P____ David F. Michie III Р 2337 James Thoeny P Dwane J. Pacheco P 2441 Joseph R. Shubert Р John S. McKee _____ P ____ P____ Buddy A Kaumo 2578 _____ _____ Marty C Martinez _____ P Р 2720 Robert F. Alverez Gregory A Kinstetter ____ P ____

3043	Johnny Silva	P	Brian Duyck	P
	Bob Stringari	Ρ	Shawn Moody	P
3237	Michael J. Hartman	Р	Jeff Schieffer	A
0201	Alexander Ward			A
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3332	Clarence C. Bishop	Ρ		
	Michael P. Lanker	Ρ		
3477	Tracy Norris	Р	Tony Polanchek	P
	James Walport	Ρ	Dale Thompson	A
3551	Thomas Reddicks	Ρ	Wendelin Burgard	A
	Martin Finnerty	Ρ	Joe Hornandez	A
4031	Ken Stockwell	Р		
5447	Joseph Kennah	D	Gloop Millic	A
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	Gilbert Rau	Р	Aaron Irvine	P
6216	Rick Bartolic	P		
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6558	David L Yearout	P	Foster E. Green	P
	Rodger B.(Bret) Thompson	Ρ	Jamie A. Licursi	P

6623	Mike Varney	Ρ	Ben Vetter	_A
	Leland Vetter	P	Jose Landeros	P
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Donald J. Scott Wyoming State Secretary	Date: _May 1, 2011		



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1	John Kaiser	Р
2	Ronald J. Knievel	Ρ
3	James Borzea	Ρ
4	Ronald Pieracini	Ρ
5	Jack Rogers	A
6	Sherwin D. Cater	Р
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Signed,

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1563	Norm Long	P	Rodney Birkle	A
	Michael Bordgett	Ρ		
2104	Bob Leibrich	P	H. Joseph Mallo	A
	Terry Winnop	Ρ	Ken Weber	A
2128	Charles C. Redmond	Ρ	Robert L. Taylor	P
	David F. Michie III	Ρ		
2337	James Thoeny	P		
2441	Dwane J. Pacheco	P	Joseph R. Shubert _	A
	John S. McKee	Ρ	Buddy A Kaumo	A
2578				
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Donald J. Scott Wyoming State Secretary



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WYOMING STATE COUNCIL

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Knights of Columbus

Donald J. Scott State Secretary 2210 S. Gillette Ave. Gillette, WY 82718

April 30, 2011 NECROLOGY REPORT

Council 801, Cheyenne

- Virgil D. Slough
- John S. Skarohlid
- Melecio Romero
- Robert C. Manewal
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Council 1563, Casper Pete Farias Michael R. Vick, Sr. Gilbert M. Madrid Stephen F Sullivan Joseph Antonivich

Council 2104, Sheridan Msgr. William E. Delaney William J. Demchok Paul M. Lacek, Jr.

Council 2337, Kemmerer Everett Cassidy

Council 2441, Rock Springs Louis Ruffini Charles Joseph Zancanella Albert A. Allais John C. Borzea

Council 2720, Laramie Donald J. Kalinay Francis Montez

Council 3043, Powell Mark Zupan Vincent Spiering Council 3237, Riverton Enez Hernandez Robert Hampton

Council 3332, Buffalo John P. Marton Simon Iberlin Martin S. Harriet

Council 3477, Gillette Gene Patton

Council 5447, Lander Galvarino D. Palma Henry J. Kennah Joseph W. Conway Albert J. Homec

Council 6216, Evanston Robert "Bob" Hagerman

Council 7453, Green River William Kindzierski Fred Weaver

Council 7789, Pine Bluffs John J. Culek

Council 10773, University of Wyoming Stephen P. Brin

2010-2011 Annual Report for District #3 - Jim Borzea

Wyoming Knights of Columbus

The 4 Councils in Southwestern Wyoming making up District #3 continue to serve our Order extremely well. Following is a result of many of the activities held in this District.

Council 2441, Rock Springs, continues as one of the leading Councils in the State. If this Council can add a few insurance members, Council 2441 is again in line to attain Star Council status. The membership goal has already been exceeded and more 1st degrees are planned before the end of our fraternal year. 1st degree exemplifications have been held about every other month throughout the year. The 1st degree team is one of the few certified in the State. Meetings are well attended and are conducted according to the procedures set out by Supreme. Lenten Fish dinners were again held this year and were very well attended. Several fund raisers have been held to help support our youth group. A fund drive was held to benefit the local food bank. A rosary is offered whenever a Brother Knight passes away. We have lost a great many members this past year. Members pass out flowers on Mother's Day after all Masses and have a Tuxedo Sunday at each Church (SCM & OLS) every month where Knights in their tuxedos serve as altar boy, lector, Eucharistic Ministers, ushers, etc. 7 new 3rd degree members were initiated at an exemplification held in Green River in March. Money was also raised for Right to Life, Priests Retirement, and for Seminarians during the year. Council 2441 is very excited about being the host Council for the 2012 State Council. Committee members have been meeting monthly and will have many exciting activities planned.

Council 6216, Evanston, continues to try very hard to be a successful Council. Luck has not gone well for them. It seems that as soon as they are able to add a few new active members they end up moving and transferring to another Council. They continue to serve their Parish well and do what they can with very few active members. I am sure that they will have better years ahead.

Council 7453, Green River, continues to be very active in their Church and Community. Knights hold a Friday evening fish fry during Lent with proceeds going toward 2 - \$500 Scholarships. 2 Food drives were conducted during the year to benefit the local food bank. A St. Patrick's Day Dinner was held in honor of their Irish Priest, Father Tom Sheridan. Council members gather annually to help clean up a portion of I-80. Members dress in their tuxedos on Mother's Day and present flowers to Mothers after Mass. 2010 – 2011 has been a very successful year for Monsignor James Godley Council 7453. They are at 120% of their membership goal and if they can add a few insurance members they stand an excellent chance of attaining Star Council status. Their 1st degree team was certified this year and they continue to work with Rock Springs Council 2441 on 2nd, 3rd, and 4th degree teams. They always seem to be busy with fundraisers and charity events. Monsignor James Godley Council hosted a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd degree in March of 2011. As a result 9 new 1st degree members (8 from District #3) were initiated as well as 14 new 3rd degree members. Council 7453 truly is a bright star rising in our State.

Council 10027, Fort Bridger, continues to be active. They are always there whenever Father Bueno needs something done. Members serve actively in the Church as lectors, ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, etc. Cecil Sanderson, Grand Knight, and Chuck Fagnant, Financial Secretary, have both been in office for a number of years now and volunteers are needed to step up and give them a break. Council 10027 has been able to add 1 new member this year and I am sure with their active membership they will add more in the future. I truly enjoy attending Mass with my Brother Knights from Council 10027. They are fun bunch of guys and have good participation at their activities even though their membership is very small. Continued presence of Knights at activities in the Parish should help to recruit new membership.

3rd degree team members from Councils 2441 and 7453 were able to travel to Powell in March and conduct a successful 3rd degree exemplification. One of the blessings of being a District Deputy is the opportunity of meeting so many wonderful people from throughout our great state. Unfortunately, family circumstances prevented me from fulfilling my job as well as I would have liked. With the passing of both parents and our youngest son this has been a very challenging year. Only through the prayers and support from family members, friends, and Brother Knights and their families have I been able to go on. As District Deputy my goal this year was to attain Star District status, a feat that has only been accomplished once before in our State according to my knowledge. We may or may not achieve this but we will be very close. The officers and members of Councils in my district are dedicated, loving Catholic gentlemen and I have been fortunate to get to know them. I have appreciated the help and support from our State Officers this past year. Our new Insurance Agent, Cory Cummings has been great and I look forward to getting to know Cory better. We will miss Jerry Hoeffler in our area but know that he had an awful big area to cover. It has been my privilege to serve another year as District Deputy.

Vivat Jesus!

Jim Borzea, District Deputy #3



Knights of Columbus Wyoming State Council

District 7

April 29, 2011 Casper, WY

Worthy State Deputy,

I am honored to have been appointed as the new district deputy for the councils in Albany and Carbon counties, and I enthusiastically look forward to working with this diverse group of Knights.

District 7 contains two of our older councils; Monsignor Meyer Council 2128, located in the heart of Rawlins, and St. Laurence O'Toole Council 2720, in downtown Laramie. This district also holds our two youngest councils; University of Wyoming Council 10773, just up the road from the original Laramie council, and Snowy Range Council 11291, in steamy Saratoga.

I recently had the privilege of visiting each of these councils and attended a few meetings. Accompanying me on those trips was a representative of the Supreme Council, Benny Viegra, who is the membership and programs consultant for Wyoming and several other states. The spirit of commitment and willingness to improve was very apparent at those meetings and is a good sign that we will be able to undertake any challenges and exceed all expectations during this coming fraternal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Alvarez District Deputy 7 balvarez54@hotmail.com



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4th Degree – De Smet Province Wyoming District Raoul A. Laganière, Master August 30, 2011



Subject: District #30, Master's 2011 Annual Report.

Period covered by this report: September 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011.

Membership:

- Total Number of Assemblies: 11
- Total 4th Degree Members (September 1, 2010) : 757
- Total 4th Degree Members (August 31, 2011) : 783

Exemplifications:

- Scheduled: 5
- Held: 2
- Cancellations:
 - 1 due to inclement winter weather.
 - 2 due to lack of candidates.
- Total members knighted (all exemplifications): 25

District Meeting:

- Held on April 29, 2011 during state convention adjournment.
- · All state assemblies represented at the meeting.
- Meeting agenda included: Membership Report to the District. New Master nominations made and voted on: Wendelin Burgard (Application Submitted) Richard Adamski (Application Submitted) Ronald Piercini (Declined) Buddy Cater (Declined)
- Scheduled two exemplifications. (Subsequently held)
- Reports due information from April to the end of the fraternal year.

Additional accomplishments during the year:

- Introduction and standardization of the use of the new 4th Degree Flag Pin.
- Enforced the adherence to the Color Corps Drill Manual to discourage the presentation of swords during the canon of the Mass.

District #30 Master's Report (Continued)

- Filled all VAVS representative vacancies with primary and alternates at VA hospitals in Cheyenne, and Sheridan Wyoming.
- Published 4th degree information and news articles in the State Monthly Newsletter.
- · Continued developing and training of degree presentation teams.
- Established monthly communication link with all Faithful Navigators and Comptrollers through email and periodic bulletins.
- Performed four assembly officer Installation ceremonies.
- Participated in 10 statewide 4th degree honor and color guard events.
- Participated in Right to Life activities in Cheyenne.
- Provide support for the Annual DeSmet Mass.
- Raised the exemplification fee to \$70.00
- · Completed exemplification and audit reports as required.
- Submitted resignation, effective August 31, 2011 due to family and health issues.

RECOMMENDED PLANS FOR THE FUTURE: In light of my resignation, I would recommend the following for consideration by the next Master of this District.

- Coordinate with the State Ceremonial Chairman and plan three 4th degrees exemplifications during the coming one year to avoid scheduling problems.
- Work closely with the State Deputy and make presentations at the State Convention and other state meetings throughout the year.
- Hold one District Meeting.
- Encourage the annual installation or re-installation ceremonies of Assembly Officers.
- Continue support of the Bishop and Priest of the diocese and attendance at the annual DeSmet, and Pine Bluffs Marian Shrine Masses.
- Hold Comptroller training sessions as deemed necessary.
- Continue improving the quality of the Color Corps throughout the State in compliance with the Color Corps Manual instructions.
- Encourage the Jackson members to continue in their quest for forming an assembly in the Jackson Hole Area.

I wish to express my thanks to all the Sir Knights in Wyoming and within the DeSmet Province, especially VSM Paul Lambert, for granting me this rare opportunity. It has been my pleasure to serve the Sir Knights in Wyoming for this short time.

Fraternally,

haganiere Raoul A. Laganière

Wyoming Master for the District 15 Loretta Drive, Wheatland, WY 82201



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Bishop PA McGovern COUNCIL 801 Annual Report for the 2011 State Convention

Council 801 served Our Lord and Savior by participating, hosting and/or sponsoring the following activities for our church and community:

- Hosted Fr Warren's 50th Anniversary as a priest—Meal, Mass, Social
- Promoted the season of Lent by providing Lenten Fish Dinners
- Hosted a Food Drive and Collected approx 6000 lbs of food for 6 panties to help with homeless
- Relay for Life
- March for Life
- Promoted and participated in the 40 Days for Life during Lent
- Provided over 300 hot meals and drinks for the Pro-life march participants
- Assisted in raising approx \$20k for a member of the Gold Wing Riders Club afflicted with cancer. Cooked a breakfast and providing free use of the KofC Hall.
- Hosted the Clergy Appreciation Dinner
 - Sponsor of four Roundtables
- Promoted Keep Christ in Christmas
- Supporter of Higher Education by providing scholarships to High School Seniors accepted in a college program.
- Exemplified 21 new members as Brother Knights

Robert A. Caley Grand Knight, Council 801



Msgr. Thomas O'Reilly Council #1563 Casper, Wyoming Celebrating 100 Years

Worthy Knights:

Msgr. Thomas O'Reilly Council 1563 had a challenging and rewarding year since the 2010 state convention. Although the council did not increase in new membership, we had three transfers into our council and we continue to reach out to prospective members. Our council schedules two meetings each month: We have our general membership meeting the 2nd Wednesday of each month and our officers meetings on the 4th Wednesday of the month. We also saw an increase in the hours of service and volunteer help throughout the year.

Last summer, we sponsored the annual seminarian retreat for 8 Wyoming seminarians and Father Bill Hill the weekend of July 31st at Bates Creek south of Casper. The weekend is a nice opportunity for the seminarians to enjoy fun, friendship, and recreation with each other and their vocations director. Two council members attended the Wyoming state summer meeting in Riverton on July 24th, and we had our annual picnic in the park for Knights and their families on August 21st. In September, our degree team performed the 2nd degree ceremony at Sheridan. The weekend of October 23rd, we handed out lollipops at all Masses and received donations to support the retired priest's fund.

The winter season started with our recruitment weekend in November. Talks were given at each of the weekend Masses, and we had Knights available to hand out information and answer questions. On November 21st, Father Kevin Koch celebrated his 25th anniversary of the priesthood; several of our council members were honored to be part of the Fourth Degree Color Guard for the ceremony.

During the Christmas season, we held a spaghetti dinner to raise funds for St. Joseph Society of Retired Priests. The council also participated in the theme of "Keep Christ in Christmas" by purchasing 250 Christmas buttons with the message "Merry Christmas God with us." These were then provided at weekend Masses leading up to Christmas. We also partnered with St. Patrick's Council in purchasing food for the holidays, with \$5500 donated to the Holy Cross Food Center in Casper. We also donated \$250 to the Care Net Pregnancy clinic in 2010.

In January, I became the new Grand Knight, as our previous Grand Knight, Mike Zilch, moved out of state. We held a second spaghetti dinner to raise money for the retired priest's fund. In 2010, we donated \$500 to the St. Joseph Society of Retired Priests, and \$500 already has been given in 2011. On February 12th, we provided the 2nd degree work at St. Patrick's degree ceremonials, and we held a soup and chili supper that evening to raise money for our seminarian.

During the Lenten season, we held our annual fish dinners every Friday night from March 11th to April 15th. We find that these fundraisers not only raise money to support the many worthy needs the council is involved with, in our community, but also provide an opportunity for fellowship in our church family.

Finally, the last year has been filled with many hours of preparation for this convention. Thanks to everyone who helped make this event come together: our council Knights, volunteers, and spouses. I also want to thank all of you attending the convention and for helping us celebrate the 100 year anniversary of Council 1563, and I hope you have had an enjoyable and educational weekend in Casper.

Respectfully,

Norm Long Grand Knight Council #1563



Knights of Columbus

Phil Sheridan Council 2104 Sheridan, Wyoming

April 28, 2011

Worthy State Deputy Patrick J. Doherty

Council officers are beginning to plan for the upcoming council year. The leadership of our council will transition to Terry Winnop as Grand Knight beginning July 1. As part of this transition, PGKs have agreed to fill Director positions for the Council for a term of three years. This will enable us to begin to utilize effectively the director role, enable us to develop successor directors and future leaders for the council, and enable cycling of Director terms to expire after each subsequent Grand Knight's first year. We continue to be excited about the involvement of membership in our activities and the continuing support we see from our priests about our council.

Church Activities. During the current year, we continued sponsorship of a Parish Roundtable in Story, WY. We sponsored our parish's annual picnic during the last weekend in August at Kendrick Park. The Christmas season brought participation in the Keep Christ in Christmas program. In February, the council participated in the RSVP Program. This May, we will again participate in the Living Rosary. In October and May, the Council sponsored a pancake breakfast as funding raising activity for our school.

Community Activities. Each Monday night, our council sponsors Bingo. This is a fundraiser for the council, but also functions as a social activity or outlet for many in our community. During Lent, the council sponsored a Fish Fry on two Fridays. We have new leadership for our fish fry with an expanded menu to shrimp. Attendance has increased by 50% from prior years. In June, the council will again be participating in the Tootsie Roll Drive for the Mentally Retarded and will complete a work weekend at San Benito Monastery in Dayton, WY.

Council Activities. In January, a dues dinner was held for Knights who had paid their annual dues before the dinner. In February, a well attended night of fellowship, conversation and steak was held with brother knights. In April, Jerry Heofler will talk to our council about our insurance and annuity benefits. In June, the council will hold our annual picnic. In addition, our council hall is open three mornings a week for fellowship and games among retired and other knights.

Family Activities. In August, the council held an ice cream social for members and their families. October brought the council's annual steak dinner for Knights and their spouses complemented with a discussion of our Insurance benefits and an Estate Planning presentation.

In December, we held our first potluck and white elephant exchange on the Tuesday after Christmas. In January, we held a family film night with popcorn and lemonade. In May, the council will select a Family of the Year.

Pro Life Activities. The council maintains and protects the display of the Right to Life monument located near the parish church and the *Rachel Weeping for Her Children* statute displayed at our KC hall. In October and January, knights attended and participated in prayer and community programs supporting Right to Life on the steps of the Sheridan County courthouse. In May, we will host a spaghetti dinner for the Legacy Pregnancy Center. The council has begun discussions about displaying a billboard supporting life along one of the entrances to Sheridan.

<u>Youth Activities.</u> In September, the council sponsored a \$2,500 scholarship to Holy Name School. In February, the council conducted the annual KC Free Throw contest at Sheridan College with the help of the Sheridan College Generals. In the spring, we sponsored the alcohol and drug awareness poster program at Holy Name School. During the past year, the council helped the Holy Name Youth Group with their monthly parish breakfast fundraisers. In May, the council will conduct a Bingo Night for the Parish Youth Group.

Membership. As of the date of this submission, we have a net gain of 11. This is comprised of 10 new knights and one readmission. We have one prospect for a July first degree and are having active conversations with two or three additional prospects. We schedule a First Degree during one business meeting each quarter. Excitement from some of the newer and younger Knights has been instrumental in our growth and success. We have also been actively receiving suggestions and prospect names from our parish priests.

Each month we hold a social activity. Participation and involvement in this activity by knights and families continues to grow. Program topics have included an insurance night, estate planning Q&A, a spiritual evening led by our parish priests, family film night, etc.

During 2020, our council celebrates our 100th year. We do hope for consideration from the state officers and our brother knights for hosting the state convention during this milestone year for our council.

VIVAT JESUS

Bob Leibrich Grand Knight

MONSIGNOR O'CONNOR COUNCIL NO. 2337 KEMMERER, WYOMING

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

WORTHY STATE DEPUTY, STATE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS,

THIS PAST YEAR HAS BEEN A GOOD ONE FOR COUNCIL 2337.

1.THROUGHOUT 2010 SEVERAL KNIGHTS DID EXTENSIVE REPAIR WORK TO ONE OF OUR RECTORY'S BATHROOM.

2.IN MAY, THE KNIGHTS AGAIN SERVED A MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST FOR THE ENTIRE PARISH. ALL MOTHER'S WERE ALSO GIVEN FLOWERS.

3.AS WE DO EVERY YEAR, THE KNIGHTS PUT UP AND TOOK DOWN THE OUTSIDE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS.

4. THE KNIGHTS ASSISTED OUR SISTERS IN THE COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMAN'S GROUP TO SERVE THE PARISH'S ANNUAL JIGGS DINNER IN MARCH. OUR LOCAL CCW, BLESSED US WITH A NICE CONTRIBUTION TO THE KNIGHTS.

5. THE KNIGHTS SERVED A FISH FRY DINNER TO THE PARISH ON ASH WEDNESDAY, WHICH WAS WELL ATTENDED AND WELL RECEIVED.

6.COUNCIL 2337 IS ALSO CONSIDERING DOING SOMETHING IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL BOY SCOUT ORGANIZATION.

7.LASTLY, COUNCIL 2337 SAW ADDED ONE NEW MEMBER, AND HAD TWO MEMBERS TAKE THEIR SECOND AND THIRD DEGREE INITATIONS.

FRATERNALLY YOURS,

JAMES THOENY – GRAND KNIGHT MONSIGNOR O'CONNOR COUNCIL NO.2337



Knights of Columbus St. Laurence O'Toole, Laramie Council 2720 P.O. Box 344 Laramie Wyoming 82703-0344



8 April 2011

Worthy State Deputy and Brother Knights,

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve as Grand Knight for St. Laurence O'Toole Laramie Council 2720 for this past year. While this year has presented me with many challenges regarding my time and availability to my Council, my Deputy Grand Knight and Brothers have done a remarkable job to ensure that our projects, activities, and the needs of our parish community are fully met and completed. Their selfless service to our faith, our catholic school, and our community serve as a shining example of what being a Knight really means.

Since the last Annual Report, which ended in April of last year, our Council has remained active in our efforts to recruit new membership to our ranks. We were successful in attracting five good men to join Council 2720 and, as of last week, bestowed upon the last three of them the Order of the First Degree.

We have held a monthly meeting for each month of this year. Our Council participates in the Family of the Month, a lollipop drive to benefit the Heart-to-Heart Pregnancy Center, as well as selling our "Keep Christ in Christmas" cards during the Christmas holiday season. This year, we were happy to see John Van Heule chosen by Supreme as one of the 100 Families of the Month for December 2010.

As a community service project, and in our commitment to be good stewards of God's many blessings, we gathered a few times to clean a section of highway near Laramie, WY. We took our stewardship forward to join with our Brother Knights of St Paul Newman Center for the annual biparish picnic, bringing together, and feeding, about 350 people.

Knights of Columbus Councils are known for their monthly parish breakfast, so too have we become "world famous" for our breakfast burritos, biscuits and gravy, and green chili. Okay, so maybe we are only famous in our own world, but we still cook up a mean breakfast! However, I was not kidding about our breakfast burritos, as Bob Frausto, one of our Brother Knights and local restaurant owner, cooks and donates quite the Mexican feast for our burrito breakfast. Many thanks to all my Brothers who give so many hours of their time, cooking, serving, and cleaning so our parish Families can enjoy good company and good food at each of our monthly breakfasts.

This year, we were able to provide an honor guard for the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and to honor a few of our Brothers who have been called home by Our Lord.

In all, this has been another full and eventful year. I thank God for my faith and the strength to live my life as a Catholic. I am ever thankful to Our Blessed Mother's assistance in my duties of leading Her Knights of Council 2720. In addition, I especially thank my Family for their prayerful support, patience, and encouragement in allowing me to share my faith through the good works of our organization.

God bless you and your Families, and let us thank God for giving us all the strength to do the great and wonderful works of our order.

Vivat Jesus.

Grand Knight Marty C. Martinez St. Laurence O'Toole Laramie Council 2720

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER DeSMET COUNCIL #3332

GRAND KNIGHT REPORT Don Sillivan

Father DeSmet Council #3332 has had a good and interesting year, so far. We started the year out by holding our Installation and were honored to have our District Officers install our new officers. Following installation we all enjoyed a social hour and dinner.

Our Council is very involved with the Buffalo Senior Center Meals on Wheels. Every Thursday during the year finds a Father DeSmet brother delivering meals to senior citizens. Our outdated list was updated and several brothers have enjoyed delivering meals and visiting. Monthly reminder postcards are sent out as well as a monthly list in the church bulletin.

The Veteran's Home of Buffalo also reaps benefits from our Council. As in the past we provide money for the much enjoyed game of Bingo. Surprising how a little goes a long way for the Veterans.

Our Past Grand Knight Dinner was held with Dan Thiele speaking on wildlife, Wyoming Game and Fish Biologist, as our speaker. Dan is a brother Knight and presented an inside perspective on wildlife in our area.

Lollipop week-end was held with donations going to Rachel's Vineyard – Respect Life, the Child Development Center and the Family Crisis Center. More good community support projects.

Council #3332's biggest fundraiser is the Annual Fish Fry. The Tuesday before Ash Wednesday finds Brothers in the kitchen making coleslaw, hush puppies, beans and rolls or in the cook shack frying fish. This might be the only time we see our brother Knights but we sure appreciate their help. Our ticket sales were up, 783 tickets were sold. This was our second largest Fish Fry. We were honored to have Father Stolcis and Father Heiser attend. Father Pete who doesn't like fish, was in attendance.

Council #3332 after much discussion decided to serve breakfast for the parish the last Sunday of the month. We served in January, February and March and it was a success, we covered our expenses. We will start again in the fall.

A new project for Council #3332 was "Keep Christ In Christmas". The Knights sold magnets and Christmas cards after Mass and collected over \$300. Next year we will be more organized and offer items to other churches in Buffalo. Council #3332 has voted to take a stand against abortion. We are going to place a bill board at the entrance of Buffalo. This project has brought an inactive member back.

Our Council opted to serve soup and bread one Friday during Lent. This was a new project for the Parish. The soup was enjoyed by all who attended and we hope the project continues next year.

Council #3332 also supports the St. Joseph's Children Home in Torrington and we continue to support a Wyoming Seminarian and the State Penny Project. The Knights set up tables for all funeral dinners. We also support St. John the Baptist with manpower whenever a request comes in for setting up or taking down tables or cooking for joint projects. Good Sunday evening:

Our Council fared well at State, WITH THE ELECTION OF DON SCOTT AS OUR NEW STATE DEPUTY. CONGRATULATIONS DON.

Wyoming Knights of Columbus has a new family of the year. CONGRATULATIONS TO TRACY AND LINDA NORRIS for your family, Church and community dedication.

Another area, our Council also received the Manual Davila Award for our Tootsie Roll Drive.

Our Council received the "State Council Activity Award" for having our family social include John Paul II Catholic School students, parents and staff in February.

For all Brother Knights, families and parishoners who have helped with the continuous cleanup and repairs of St. Matthews and John Paul II, especially thank you to Dave Hardegger for getting this started and keeping it going. Your hard work and efforts were recognized by the Wyoming State Council by awarding Gillette the "Church Service Award"

It was an honor as Grand Knight to accept these awards on behalf of Council #3477. Thank you again for all your hard work.

It takes members like we have in our Council to make things like this happen. Again. congratulations and thank you!!!

Vivat Jesus,

Buddy Cater Grand Knight Council #347

Grand Knight's Report Cody Knights of Columbus Council 4031 2010-2011

The FY year for the Cody Knights started with their Vacation Benefit Raffle collection over the summer months and started paying out two vacations each month starting in September for ten months. Profits from the funds are being distributed to local individuals and families in need.

Council members put their construction hats on during the summer to built a handicap entrance ramp for one of the council members home and also repaired and reinforced all the kneelers for St. Anthony of Padua church.

In the fall, the council sponsored the parish Oktoberfest with donations amounting to over \$1,000 going towards the Heart Mountain Crisis Pregnancy Center startup costs.

The council then assembled a float for the Cody Lighted Christmas Parade with the theme of "Keep Christ in Christmas" and won second place.

Prior to the December meeting, the council presented three checks totaling \$37,500 to the Heart Mountain Chris Pregnancy Center for an ultra sound machine. This included the matching funds from Supreme. At the December meeting, the council donated additional funds for the Cody Cupboard food distribution and the parish Christmas presents for needy families.

In January, the council joined with Catholics United for Life for the two day March for Life from the Park County court house to the Monument for the unborn at the Riverside Cemetery in Cody. The Council also participated in the annual "Horton Hears a Who" in celebration of the smallest among us, the unborn.

At the end of February it, was time for our major fund raiser and community service project – the Buffalo Bill Birthday Ball. This community event, supported by the entire council and attended by our neighbors throughout Park County, netted over \$15,000 for local charities.

Throughout the year, members of the council lead the Thursday evening Canticles for Life rosary. Every council meeting is preceded with a family dinner and, during lent, the council hosted three Lenten breakfasts for the parish.

Looking back it is nice to say that we supported many local charities and families in need this year, to the tune of almost \$60,000.

Fraternally,

George Morris - Grand Knight Council 4031 - Cody, Wyoming 2009-2010



Knights of Columbus

CONVERSE COUNTY COUNCIL, No. 6558 P.O. Box 1415 Douglas, Wyoming 82633

04-25-2011

Knights of Columbus State Convention April 29 – May 1, 2011 Casper, WY

Re: Grand Knight Report for Council 6558

Dear State Deputy, State Officers and Brother Knights:

Our Knights of Columbus Council 6558 holds meetings on the first Monday of each month in Unity Hall of St. James Parish starting at 7:00 PM. Our Council includes two parishes: St. James, Douglas, WY and St. Louis, Glenrock, WY. Our membership roster is 63 members strong with 13 as life time members. In addition, we have also seen an increase in our 4th Degree membership with 4 Brother Knights participating in the Casper and Rock Springs Ceremonies.

We continue to participate in many civic projects consisting of the Highway Clean Up twice a year as well as the delivery of community Christmas Baskets. Our Knights have also volunteered their time and talents to building the scenery for the Douglas High School play production, performing laborsome tasks for the Parish Center involving installation of new furnace, new light fixtures in all class rooms, masonry work and installing a new dishwasher at St. James.

Council 6558 Knights can be found annually at the Wyoming State Fair running the Right to Life Booth. Other projects included; distributing Finger Rosaries to the First Communicants, preparing and serving the food for the Deanery Meeting held in Douglas, and for our Parish picnic.

There have been numerous fund raisers held throughout the year. We were able to put on two pancake breakfasts one each in Douglas and Glenrock. We sold Christmas Trees, held a quilt rafile donated by the Quilting Club, held three successful Fish Fries during the Lenten season. Our main goal each year is to raise money for our Scholarship Fund. Last year in 2010 we were able to give away three \$750 Scholarships to our graduating seniors in Douglas and Glenrock, and four more at \$200 each for Continuing Education Scholarships.

Ora et Labora loseph R. Anderson

Grand Knight, Council 6558

March 15, 2011

Grand Knight Michael Dahl 2630 Minnesota Green River, Wyoming 82935

Mr. Donald J. Scott State Secretary-Knight of Columbus 2210 S. Gillette Avenue Gillette, Wyoming 82718

RE: Knight of Columbus Grand Knight's Report 2010 Monsignor James Godley Council 7453 Green River, Wyoming 82935

Dear Worthy State Secretary (Mr. Scott):

The following is a summary of activities conducted by Monsignor James Godley Council 7453 of Green River for 2010. Our council has become more active over the year and we continue to improve on our church, youth, community and council activities. We have brought in some new members and look for good active service from them.

Regarding charity, the Knights of Council 7453 conducted two food drives during the year at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church for the local food bank in Green River. Our council cooked fish, baked potatoes, vegetables and dessert each Friday night during Lent. Proceeds from this fraternal activity are used for scholarships (Aaron Palm Scholarship) in memory of fellow Knight James and Janet Palm's son in Green River. The scholarships are presented to seniors winning our annual "What It Means to Be A Catholic" essay contest. A Youth Benefit Dinner and Auction was held in early March featuring brisket, potatoes, vegetable and dessert. An auction was held in conjunction with the dinner to raise funds for the Youth Group for ski trips, searches and other fun The council set aside a portion of the funds earmarked for Youth Group events. Activities as requested or needed. Our Council also cooked a Senior Breakfast to honor graduates of Immaculate Conception to congratulate them on their accomplishments. Father Tom Sheridan and Sister Betty Lorenz received Christmas presents from Council 7453. Our council also provided funds for one of our Seminarians during the year. Finally, the council provided funds for a basketball hoop and helped to install it near the Church Youth Center.

Regarding unity, several Council members organized a booth, obtained permits and cooked spaghetti at the Annual Riverfest in Green River. The Chamber of Commerce requested our assistance and has asked us to return for the event in 2011. The dinner is in conjunction with the Wild Horse Marathon. Proceeds from this event are used for council activities, expenses, etc. Our council also has a booth for serving hamburgers, cheese burgers, brats and fries after a one year absence from Green River's Flaming Gorge Days celebration. Proceeds from this will go to the council. A group of council members gathered on the west I-80 Interchange for the annual clean-up campaign in June 2010 to clean approaches into and exiting Green River. Members of Council 7453 also participated in Honor Guards during the year. These included the confirmation ceremonies, State Convention, funeral services, and the Feast of Guadalajara Festival in Rock Springs. Council 7453 Knights also provided the parish and community with Sunday Breakfasts from the beginning of Lent until Mothers' Day. Proceeds from this event were deposited in the Council's account for operating expenses, bills, etc. Several Brother Knights sponsored a "spur of the moment" Free Throw Contest in March 2011. We had several contestants and all received medals for participation. Our goal is to be more proactive and to sponsor a well organized event in the upcoming year.

Regarding fraternity, many of our Brother Knights assisted in procuring food and organizing the Annual Immaculate Conception Parish Picnic. In 2011, our parish will not have the church picnic, but will honor Sister Betty Lorenz who is retiring after 70 plus years of service to the church. It is my hope that our council will provide help with the retirement party and we will also present Sister Betty with a gift for all the work she has done for the Parish, the Poor and RCIA. Our Council Knights dressed in tuxedos on Mothers' Day and presented flowers to Mothers of the parish on Saturday and Sunday masses. Finally, a large group of Knights boiled and colored eggs, provided candy and goodies and hid them Holy Saturday for all the children on the church grounds.

Regarding Patriotism, fellow Knights from Green River as well as members from Rocks Springs held degree ceremonials for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree in Green River, 3rd Degree in Cheyenne and a 3rd Degree in Powell. We have a 4th degree scheduled for later in 2011, 4th Degree Team consisting of members from Green River and Brother Knights from Rock Springs.

Regarding the Necrology Report, Brother Knights William Kindzierski (#0376643) and Fred Weaver (#2677609) passed away during the year since the last State Convention.

Council 7453 looks foreword to attending the State convention again in 2011. If there are any items I may have omitted or improvements to be made, please contact me at: Home (307) 875-7831 or Work (307) 872-3445. Vivat Jesus!!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Dahl Grand Knight-Council 7453 Green River

CC: Brother James Borzea

Knights of Columbus

GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT 2011

FR. JAMES F. POWER COUNCIL 9917 CASPER, WYOMING

Grand Knight's Report 2011 Council 9917

Fr. James F Power Council 9917 has been a busy bunch this past year. With a new slate of officers elected in June, we were off and running. Our officers were installed at our Summer Social which consisted of a turkey fry with an ice cream social. We hosted our annual Pig Roast in August with the profits going to fund the Keep Christ in Christmas Program. Council 9917 sponsors billboards along I-25, plus smaller billboards at St. Patrick's and Our Lady of Fatima Churches, during the month of December and provide Christmas cards to inmates at the local detention centers. We also provided burgers and dogs for St. Patrick's Feast of the Assumption family picnic in August.

Fall brought the first leg of our semi-annual Highway Cleanup along a two-mile stretch of I-25. We also give away Life Saver Lollipops, for a donation, in honor of Respect Life Weekend. This year we collected over \$500 with the Council's share being donated to CareNet Pregnancy Resource Center.

In December, we participated in the Parish Advent Fair, which gives us a chance to visit with prospective members. We also gathered for our Council 9917 Christmas Social. This was a nice carry-in family dinner, with the council providing a roast Baron of Beef and a smoked turkey. We always make sure to invite the families of any deceased Knights to our socials.

February brought a 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree exemplification to Casper, hosted by our council. We were able to advance 12 members to the Third Degree, with the help from degree teams from Council 1563 from Casper and Council 801 from Cheyenne. A Fourth degree scheduled for this month was cancelled due to weather complications. We also held our council free throw contest with a dozen youth competing and hosted the State Free throw contest in March.

To celebrate May, the month of Mary, we hand out rosary rings to all of the moms after mass on Mother's Day weekend.

One of our year-long council projects is the RSVP Program. We hold eight Sunday breakfasts during the year, plus a Spaghetti Supper, to fund this project. Having two breakfast crews helps spread the workload out, getting us the widest participation among our Knights of any of our activities. We are proud to say that we were once again able to support all 10 of our seminarians with a total of \$5000. We are so blessed to have the support of our wonderful parish for these projects.

The crowning jewel of this fraternal year is by far our Gun-A-Week Raffle. Grant Havens took the lead on this, along with a couple of co-chairs, and was able to put together a program where we raffled off 52 guns in 52 weeks, all for a \$50 ticket. Due to great Catholic and sportsman support, and our local sporting goods store working with us, we were able to sell 1500 tickets and donate \$51,400 to the St. Joseph's Society.

Council 9917 initiated 4 new members this year and brought in 3 transfers from out of state. Unfortunately, we also lost some members due to transfer or nonpayment. Our net isn't near what our quota is, but we are trying to recruit men who will be with us for the long run and pay their dues without our retention committee having to act like a collection agency. All in all, I am content with our recruitment and our roster is staying clean.

This has been an amazing year at Council 9917. I have to say I am truly honored to work with this group of spiritual men. They, and the Knights of Columbus as a whole, have given me a chance to grow as an individual and as a leader and I thank them for the opportunity.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Grapes Grand Knight Council 9917 Casper WY



Knights of Columbus

Worthy State Deputy,

This past year has been one of both ups and downs. Entering into my second term as Grand Knight, I was still determined to build upon the principles of charity, unity, and fraternity that have formed our order into what it is today. I opened our initial meeting of the fraternal year by proposing several ideas and events that our council could feasibly do. After much discussion of possible ideas, we eventually came to focus our energies on two big events.

The first event was our third annual Christmas Caroling Event. As we have done in previous years, several knights and nonmembers go around to the senior citizen centers in Laramie and sing to the residents living there. The residents really enjoy this holiday cheer that we bring them, as some of them don't have many visitors. I have also grown to enjoy this event as well, and look forward to it in future years. The only drawback to this event is that the turnout of Knights is still small, and we become almost out numbered by nonmember volunteers who enjoy singing with us.

Our second event event happened very recently. Unfortunately, our funds have been very low all year, so my brother knights and I decided to hold a Lenten fish dinner on April 15th, as a fundraiser. We served tilapia fillets on buns, with mac & cheese and coleslaw sides. Almost every active member of our council showed up to help with the dinner and it basically went off without a hitch. The turnout was very good, and we ended up serving 85 members of the Newman Center community. However, there is bad news. We decided months in advance that we would not charge for this dinner, but would instead take donations. Because of this, we lost over \$100 dollars from this dinner. Although we did lose money with the dinner, all of the Knights that helped agree it was a tremendous success, and are in favor of holding another one next year with a few adjustments to price.

As the last few months of the fraternal year and also my term as Grand Knight wind down, I hope to bring my council into financial stability, and find a suitable successor for me when I step down from Grand Knight at the end of June. I still hope to be a huge part of Council 10773, and help with events whenever I can.

Respectfully Submitted,

Colin Fulton Grand Knight Council 10773



Knights of Columbus

WYOMING STATE COUNCIL

CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES CHAIRMAN

It is my pleasure and privilege to report to the Wyoming State Council's 91st State Convention on the Manual Michael Davila Funds for Charities.

In the calendar year of 2010, the Manual Michael Davila Funds for Charities had a net revenue of \$14,348.95. The State Council received 10% or \$1,434.90. The total return to the Councils was \$12,914.06. There were 405 cases of Tootsie Rolls bought and 395 cases sold. Cheyenne Council #801 sells Tootsie Roll Pops but I have not received a report from Cheyenne.

Since this programs inception in Wyoming in 1975, sales have fluctuated from year to year. In 1978 seventeen Councils participated. In 2010 four Councils participated.

There is no better time than now to thank the Council's for supporting the Manual Michael Davila Funds for Charity. Too often, we become so involved with day-to-day business that we neglect to thank you, the members, who make our very existence and our achievements possible.

RECAP: One letter of appeal was sent to each Grand Knight, Program Chairman's and State Officers. The letter was to be read by the Grand Knights at their council meeting and was informative for the State Officers and Program Chairman's. The letter of appeal was sent in January. A packet was also sent to the Grand Knights in January. This packet contained forms and instructions. Another letter of appeal was given to the Grand Knights, State Officers and Program Chairman's along with a complimentary Tootsie Roll at the 90th State Convention.

In contention for the Manual Michael Davila Funds for Charities award were Gillette and Torrington. First place was Gillette Council #3447 with a net revenue of \$7,020.92. Torrington Council #6623 came in second with a net revenue of \$3,056.26. Net revenue was down over 2009.

It has been a joy working for you and with you.

Fraternally yours,

Rolal Mark Reter

Roland "Nick" Eckes Intellectual Disabilities Chairman



Knights of Columbus

WYOMING STATE COUNCIL

MANUAL MICHAEL DAVILA FUNDS FOR CHARITIES 2010

COUNCIL	CASES BOUGHT	CASES SOLD	TOTAL REVENUE	LESS EXPENSE	NET REVENUE	STATE 10%	RETURN 90%	90% DONATED AS FOLLOWS:
Buffalo	10			-				
Casper #1563					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Casper #9917					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Cheyenne								
Cody					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Douglas/Glenrock					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Evanston					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Ft Bridger					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Gillette	40	40	7,710.92	690.00	7,020.92	702.09	6,318.83	Campbell County Special Olympics
Green River		202			0.00	0.00	0.00	
Greybull, Basin					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Jackson					0.00	0.00	0.00	
Kemmerer					0.00	0.00	0.00	E
Lander	120	120	4,542.50	2,070.00	2,472.50	247.25	2,225.25	Senior Special Olympics
Laramie		64			0.00	0.00	0.00	
Newcastle					0.00	0.00	0.00	l.
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Sheridan	15				0.00	0.00	0.00	
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TOTALS	405	395	\$21,399.42	\$7,050.47	\$14,348.95	\$1,434.90	\$12,914.06	₹

Roland "Nick" Eckes

Campaign for People with lintellectual Disabilities Chairman

MANUAL MICHAEL DAVILA FUNDS FOR CHARITIES

State of Wyoming NET REVENUE

(unofficial tabulation)

Council	CY2000	CY2001	CY2002	CY2003	CY2004	CY2005	CY2006	CY2007	CY2008	CY2009	CY2010	CY2011	CY2012	CY2013	CY2014
Buffalo	792.64	1,181.16	1,572.98	1,000.00	1,169.00	1,000.00			521.50	220.00					
Casper #1563															
Casper #9917		•													
Cheyenne		835.26	962.50	943.40	1,144.08	1,317.78	1,270.61	2,263.85	1,288.92	1,591.04					
Cody															
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Gillette	1,952.19	3,119.32	4,331.05	4,911.31	6,140.56	7,701.33	9,462.02	9,272.21	10,250.75	8,009.31	7,020.92				
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Greybull/Basin	1,075.50														
Jackson	3,505.00	2,222.00													Comment an
Kemmerer															
Lander	2,133.25	2,112.50	2,261.00	2,111.75	2,120.00	2,473.00	2,525.00	2,197.00	2,417.90	2,315.50	2,472.50				
Laramie	1.4														
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Newman Center															
Pine Bluffs	628.12	633.50	681.75	671.25	636.90	668.40	579.75	521.50							
Powell			10												
Rawlins	1,173.50	770.00			692.50		341.00								
Riverton		492.71	210.00	172.50										-	
Rock Springs	593.00	178.00													
Saratoga	715.75	707.13					661.00								
Sheridan	1,345.00	1,140.00	1,331.00	1,413.75	1,362.38	1,411.50	1,848.50	2,119.50	1,928.50	2,078.25	1,799.25				
Thermoolis	170.00														
Torrington	3,341.25	3,341.25	3,353.75	2,477.00	1,601.25	2,726.50	1,964.00	3,290.25		3,159.66	3,056.28				
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April 25, 2011 Annual Report of State Family Life Directors

Worthy State Deputy,

The Church sees the Family as "the first natural society, with underived rights that are proper to it, and places it at the center of social life"

Paul VI spoke of Jesus being born and living within a family, "accepting all its characteristic features and he conferred the highest dignity on the institution of marriage"

At this time of Easter when our Lord overcame the mortal bonds of death that we might have everlasting life, we are reminded that for the thirty-three years prior he had been a family man. God so loved us that he gave us his only son to live and die among us, to be born of woman and grow into the fullness of manhood within the structure of family life. If we are to know full communion with our Lord Jesus we as Knights of Columbus and practical Catholics must not only live spiritual lives pleasing to Jesus the Lord, but also live good family lives as did Jesus the carpenter.

St. Paul gave us some pointers on how to do this in a letter to the Ephesians when He said, "Children obey your parents, honor your father and mother, fathers do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up with the training and instruction of the Lord, husbands love your wives even as Christ loved the church and handed himself over for her". We as Knights of Columbus should strive to be the example of this to our parishes and communities.

Some among us have been recognized for just that when the Supreme Council recognized them as Knight Families of the Month as follows.

November 2010 The Family of John and Jeanne Van Heule of Laramie and the family of Samuel and Teresa Cochran of Torrington

December 2010 The family of James and Linda Norris of Gillette

February 2011 The family of Michael and Ileta Lewis of our home Council in Lander

This was made possible by the participation in the Knight Family of the Month program by the following councils

2720 Laramie, 3477 Gillette, 5447 Lander, 6623 Torrington, and 9917 Casper

We would like to congratulate these families and thank them for their service to the Knights of Columbus for which their councils gave them recognition. We would also like to thank those councils that participated in recognizing their excellent Knight families so that the Supreme Council could likewise recognize them. There are so many worthy knight families across Wyoming we would love to see the other two dozen councils participating in the Family of the Month program as well. It is just too easy a report to submit to justify not doing it.

Thus far we know of one submission for the Family Activity award because Dolores took the photos and I put together the submission for our Grand Knight. We sincerely hope that at the State Convention we learn that our council has lots of stiff competition. We know that some wonderful family activities took place across the state and we take it on faith, for lack of communication, that along with the effort of planning and making the event happen someone took the trouble to write a report and submit it for consideration for the annual award. If the councils could give a call or E-mail at the time of the activity we would have more to report on this subject.

We suspect that in parishes across Wyoming following Easter morning Mass swarms of squealing kids vacuumed lawns clean of Easter eggs. Sounds like a family activity to us. During Advent did St. Nicholas visit your parish? That was probably a family activity. Before Lent did your parish have a Mardi Gras? That was no doubt a family activity as well.

It does not need to be the traditional picnic or social to qualify as a family activity. Any activity that brings families together and creates a wholesome atmosphere where parents and children can mutually enjoy the event and each other's company is a family activity. Where three or more are present so is Christ when we open our hearts to let Him in. When that three or more are related it is a family activity. Promote them, support them, and for our sake, report them.

Fraternally yours in Christ, Vivat Jesus

David and Dolores Langerman Family Life Directors

2010 – 2011 Report of the State Church Director

Worthy State Secretary:

I was approached by the Worthy State Deputy at the beginning of this fraternal year and asked if I would be willing to be the State Church Director. It was with honor I accepted; noting that I would like to put an emphasis on St. Joseph's Society for retired Priests. We both agreed.

As most members are aware, I took an active role in promoting St. Josephs around the state via the guna-week raffle. The raffle truly became a state wide effort with members of all councils helping to sell tickets and promoting the raffle within their parishes. Councils statewide deserve to be commended for their part in making the raffle a success. \$51,400 was given to St. Joseph's Society for retired Priests.

Although we recently finished up the Year of the Priest, it is our duty to see to it that every day is the Day of the Priest – past, present and future.

As for our past priests, all councils should make an effort to support St. Joseph's Society in one form or another. These are the men that have dedicated their lives to the Church and serving God's people. They absolutely deserve any and all support we can give them.

As for the priests currently serving the diocese, they deserve to be appreciated – every day. Supporting our current priests doesn't have to involve a big project. Simply telling a Priest thank you for serving our parish is a wonderful thing to do. How about conducting a Priest appreciation dinner? Invite the entire parish to a dinner to honor your parish Priest. Give the parish an opportunity to show their appreciation. An ordination anniversary or birthday is a wonderful time to celebrate the priesthood.

Last, but not least, we need to be supporting our future priests. The Knights of Columbus has a tool in place to do just that. The RSVP program is the perfect way to offer support to seminarians. Unfortunately, a recent report shows that only four councils in Wyoming participated in the program this past year. I would like to encourage all councils to take an active part in supporting our seminarians.

If the Church is going to thrive in today's society, men and women throughout our communities must come forward and take an active part. We as Knights have strength in our numbers and are in position to lead that charge. As individual Knights, we need to set a worthy example of an ideal Catholic to our families, communities and brother Knights.

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To: Donald Scott- KC State Secretary

Christ in Christmas Chairman Report for 2010

Six Wyoming Councils participated in the program in 2010. The total amount of money for items ordered was \$2106.60.

I have been in contact with the Christ is Christmas company and they have assured me that they will get the 2011 display material to me before the State Convention.

I look forward to working with you this year as committee chairman for the Christ in Christmas Program.

Donald Viktorin

Chairman, Christ in Christmas Committee



Knights of Columbus Wyoming State Council

"Food for Families"

April 29, 2011 Casper

Worthy State Deputy,

The Knights of Columbus "Food for Families" program is not even a year and a half old, and yet it has made a huge difference at a critical time. This community initiative encourages Knights to work with their local parishes and other organizations to collect donations for their local food banks.

The idea is to have Knights meet the needs that they know exist in their immediate areas. Leading the effort by example, the Supreme Council teamed up with several other councils in and around New Haven, Conn., to support the food banks and soup kitchens there.

Participation among councils in Wyoming so far this fraternal year is roughly the same as last year's 12-month total. Since a few more councils are likely to report activities before the end of this fraternal year, we should see a respectable increase over the previous reporting period.

It is possible to get all of our councils on board with this program. Participation can be as simple as taping a flyer to a cardboard box and placing it in the back of your church. In fact, if your council isn't currently supporting your local food bank, I'd encourage you to go ahead and start with that first step. When you see the big difference that it makes, you'll be motivated to do even more.

Fraternally

Bill Briere, P.S.D. Food for Families chairman BreakingCodes@gmail.com 307–760–9082



STATE PRO-LIFE DIRECTORS ANNUAL REPORT 2010-2011 Dale and Eve Thompson

Worthy State Chaplin, Worthy State Deputy, Worthy State Officers and District Deputies, Worthy Supreme Representative, Ladies and Brother Knights: Thank you for this opportunity to serve as Pro-life Directors this year for the State of Wyoming.

Respect Life Packets were mailed to all Councils this last fall. We did receive a few copies of reports showing what the councils sold for lifesaver lollipops, however not all of the councils sent a report. Thank you for your dedication to help God's most innocent children.

Council 3477 in Gillette put up a replacement pro-life billboard at the corner of Boxelder and Garner Lake Road. Twelve (12) people manned a booth at the Campbell County Fair where we handed out pro-life material and prayer cards. One quarter page advertisements were placed in the Gillette News-Record for Mothers Day and Fathers day thanking the mothers and fathers for life, <u>the first inalienable right</u>. We also manned a pro-life table at Campbell County High School Senior's Breakfast handing out literature and showing the baby models. Dale and I have prayed the rosary for life each day.

The Right to Life March in Cheyenne was held on January 22. Council 801, Bishop P.A. McGovern sponsored this. Thank you to everyone who attended and to the Cheyenne Council for committing to this march every year. We could always use more attendance from Knights and their families, especially the pro-life chair couple from each council. We encourage each council to help their pro-life chair couple attend this event. Dale and I could not attend the March due to very bad weather and roads were very icy. Many of these babies are our children and grandchildren. We as Catholics need to let our own children know that they will be helped and encouraged to give life to their babies.

Since the election of O'Bama as President, he has tried to perpetuate the Culture of Death in our nation and world. We need to keep up the fight even more to prevent the slaughter of the unborn. The past election showed a number of pro-life people being elected to the house. Many representatives who voted for O'Bamacare lost the election. The new bills introduced in the Wyoming Legislature this year by Representative Bob Brechtel and others such as the marriage bill, ultrasound bill, assisted suicide and unborn victims of violence were defeated. However, new legislation will be submitted next year. We sent out several Life Alerts to the Grand Knights and/or Financial Secretaries to be distributed to the Pro-life Chair Couples in each council.

Cody-Powell Councils worked together to provide an ultrasound machine for their local pro-life women's center. Sheridan Council also worked very hard to provide their local crisis pregnancy center with an ultrasound machine as well. A big thank you to these three councils for all of their excellent work efforts for these worthy projects.

The State Fair was held in Douglas the week of August 10-15. We were unable to travel to Douglas on Saturday to help in the booth with Council 6558 Chairman, Bill Meehan. Thank you to Bill Meehan and Council 6558 for putting in lots of hours on this worthy project. The set of baby models showing the growth of a child was given to Bill and also lots of literature, pins, balloons and baby feet. Please consider attending the State Fair next year and helping in the booth. The baby models can be loaned out to councils needing them for a presentation, fair or health fair. Younger children are always interested to see how small they were before they were born.

Please support our pro-life representative and senators by calling them to thank them for voting pro-life. In areas where we have lost pro-life candidates, please prayerfully consider running for office so there are pro-life candidates! Thank you to all who pray daily for the end of abortion so that no more women, men and children are hurt by Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry.

You can reach John Barrasso (202-224-6441), Mike Enzi (202-224-3424) and Cynthia Lummis (202-225-2311) to thank them for supporting life in the Senate and House of Representatives.

Fraternally,

Dale and Eve Thompson State Pro-life Directors

WYOMING STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I Eligibility

<u>Section 1</u>. Membership: Officers and Eligibility in the State Council shall be all duly elected and qualified State Officers, the State Chaplain, the last Past State Deputy, District Deputies and delegates or their alternatives. The terms, "last Past State Deputy" and "delegates", are as defined in Chapter II of the Charter, Constitution, and Laws of the Order.

<u>Section 2</u>. Past State Deputies (other than the last Past State Deputy living in the State) and District Deputies shall be members of the State Council and shall have the privilege of the floor but without the right to vote.

ARTICLE II State Convention

<u>Section 1</u>. The State Council shall be convened annually between the first day of April to and including the first day of June in each year by the State Deputy at such place within the State as shall be determined at the State Council meeting three years preceding the State Council meeting, provided that the State Officers shall select such place of meeting if so directed by the State Council or in the case said Council shall fail to do so or whenever it becomes impractical to hold meeting at the place designated by the State Council.

<u>Section 2</u>. The State Secretary shall furnish credential blanks to the Financial Secretary of each subordinate council at least sixty (60) days before the annual meeting of the State Council.

<u>Section 3</u>. The Financial Secretary of each council shall prepare and certify credentials in duplicate signed by the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary under seal for the delegates and alternates; forward one copy to the State Secretary at least ten (10) days before the annual meeting of the State Council and deliver the other copy to the delegates or alternates who shall present same at said meeting.

<u>Section 4</u>. The State Secretary shall notify all Councils in the State sixty (60) days prior to the State Convention of the time, place and date of said convention.

<u>Section 5</u>. The State Secretary shall prepare a roll of all delegates and alternates on the credentials received as provided in Section 3, and said roll shall be the roll of the State Council until changed by said council.

<u>Section 6</u>. Councils not having paid duly levied assessments by the State Council shall not have the names of their delegates or alternates placed on the temporary or permanent roll of the State Council until such assessments have been paid.

<u>Section 7.</u> Councils who elected to participate in the liability insurance program and not having paid duly levied assessments by the State Council for the Insurance shall not have the names of their delegates or alternates placed on the temporary or permanent roll of the State Council until such insurance assessments have been paid.

<u>Section 8</u>. A majority of the eligible voters of the State Council shall constitute a quorum. Majority vote shall govern all matters. Eligible voters shall consist of all State Officers, the State Chaplain, last living Past State Deputy and Delegates or their alternates from each council.

<u>Section 9</u>. All meetings of the State Council shall be in the third section. All duly qualified third degree members shall be admitted as spectators.

<u>Section 10</u>. The order of business shall be as specified in the constitution and laws of the Order.

<u>Section 11</u>. Each Council is entitled to two votes. In the event only one delegate is present, he shall be entitled to cast the two votes for his council.

Section <u>12</u>. In the absence or inability of the State Deputy, the State Secretary shall execute all the duties of the State Deputy. In the absence of the State Deputy and the State Secretary the obligation of executing the duties of the State Deputy shall devolve on the other State Officers in the following order: State Treasurer, State Advocate and State Warden.

ARTICLE III Officers

<u>Section 1</u>. The State Deputy, State Chaplain, State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Advocate and the State Warden shall hold the same relative position in the State Council that the corresponding Officers hold in the Supreme Council.

<u>Section 2</u>. The State Deputy shall be the Chief Executive of the Order in the State, and he shall be recognized as the representative of the Supreme Knight and Board of Directors. He shall possess all powers and perform such duties as the laws of the order prescribe. He shall preside at all meetings of the State Council and shall be ex-officio member of all committees. He shall appoint District Deputies and Program Directors for such Districts and Programs. The State Deputy shall make a written report to the State Formatted: Font color: Black, Highlight

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Council on the state of condition of the Order within the jurisdiction of Wyoming. He is also required to make reports to the Supreme Knight and Board of Directors from time to time as required. The State Deputy shall possess such other powers and perform such other duties as the laws of the Order prescribe. The State Deputy shall supervise the exemplification of the Knighthood (3^{rd}) degree.

<u>Section 3</u>. State Secretary shall act as Recorder of all meetings of the State Council; bill and collect all money due to the State Council, make a record thereof and promptly transmit the same to the State Treasurer; draw orders on the State Treasurer for all payments authorized by the State Council; keep a debit and credit account with each subordinate council and a full account with the State Treasurer; keep a record of the membership in the State; and make a report to the State Council of the membership and finances of the Order in the State for the year ending March 31st, in such form as the State Council may direct. Said report shall be furnished to the State Officers and each subordinate council along with the proceedings of the State Council meeting within 60 days after adjournment. An allowance of \$75.00 per year shall be made to the State Secretary to defray the incidental expenses of his office.

<u>Section 4</u>. State Treasurer shall keep a true and accurate account of all money received and disbursed; deposit all money received to the account of the Wyoming State Council, Knights of Columbus; an allowance of \$75.00 per year shall be made to the State Treasurer. He shall be ex-officio member and treasurer of every committee of the State Council. He shall give a report of the financial condition of the State Council for the year ending March 31st, in such form as the State Council may prescribe.

<u>Section 5</u>. State Advocate shall be Attorney of the Council in case of trial and investigation of any matter whatsoever of the State Council. The State Advocate is obligated to advise the State Council in all matters legally binding on the State Council.

<u>Section 6</u>. State Warden shall be present at all meetings of the State Council and at the opening take up the Third Degree Traveling Cards and admit none but duly qualified third degree members. He shall perform duties as may be designated to him by the State Deputy.

<u>Section 7</u>. State Chaplain shall be appointed by the State Officers. He shall conduct all religious exercises of the State Council. In the event of his absence the State Deputy may appoint a substitute for him. He shall be allowed Seventy Five and No/100 Dollars (\$75.00) per year to defray expenses for such duties.

<u>Section 8</u>. The State Secretary and the State Treasurer shall be bonded in the sum of Twenty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00) each, and that the State Secretary shall request the Supreme Secretary to have such bonding covered under the blanket bond of the Supreme Council. Upon receipt of request for that purpose, the Supreme Secretary will make the necessary entry on his records and notify the bonding company, and he will then bill our State Council accordingly. This bonding is on the office, not the person.

ARTICLE IV Committees

<u>Section 1</u>. All committees shall be appointed by the State Deputy or other presiding officer. If expense is incurred by any committee member which would not be covered through any other course, an itemized statement signed by said member should be presented to the State Deputy for approval and if so approved, the State Secretary may draw an order of the State Treasurer for payment of such expense in the same manner as is required for other expenditures.

<u>Section 2</u>. All subordinate council resolutions shall be in writing and submitted to the State Advocate 30 days prior to the convening of the convention. A copy of the resolution shall be submitted to each voting delegate in attendance at the Convention. Convention reports shall be in writing and submitted to the State Secretary at the Convention.

<u>Section 3</u>. To define resolutions and amendments: Resolutions bind the State Council for the forthcoming year only. New by-laws or amendments to existing by-laws shall be presented as such.

ARTICLE V Finances

<u>Section 1</u>. The Budget Committee shall ascertain the amount required for the expense of the ensuing year and recommend such measures of finances as they deem necessary.

<u>Section 2</u>. All funds of the State Council shall be paid to the State Secretary by draft, money order or check, payable to the order of the Wyoming State Council and shall be deposited to the credit of the State Council in a bank or banks approved by the State Council.

<u>Section 3</u>. Payment of State Council funds for authorized expenditures shall be made by the check of the State Treasurer upon receipt of approved expense voucher signed by the State Deputy and State Secretary.

<u>Section 4</u>. Officers of the State Council are hereby authorized to expend such money as is necessary for the usual and ordinary conduct of the business of their respective offices. Items of an extraordinary nature and all items involving expenditures of Three Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$300.00) or over shall require advance authorization or the approval of the State Council Officers before payment, and shall be paid by the State Treasurer as provided.

<u>Section 5.</u> For the purpose of defraying the expenses and obligations of the State Council, there shall be levied against and collected from all the subordinate councils semi-annually a per-capita assessment based on the number of members of the respective councils, as of the first day of January and July of the current year, as shown by the records of the Supreme Secretary. The State Secretary shall obtain from the Supreme Secretary and present to the State Council Meeting a certificate showing the number of members of each council, as of said date. The amount of such per-capita assessment shall be such as the State Council meeting shall determine. Honorary members are to include the Supreme per capita charges the Catholic Advertising assessment), and the amount of the annual state council per capita charge. Members of the clergy, Honorary Life, and disabled members shall be exempt from per-capita assessment. The State Council shall make a rebate to college councils of 50% of the annual per capita tax assessed against and paid by the membership of said councils, and said councils shall use said funds for those Catholic and fraternal programs as shall be approved by the Council Chaplain.

Section 6. Allowance for attendance. State Officers, Past State Deputies, Former State Chaplains, District Deputies, and State Committee Chairman in attendance at the State Council meeting shall be allowed mileage each way between their council's location and the place of the State meeting and per diem for attendance at the meeting of the State Council. The Delegates attending the State Council meeting will be paid per diem for attendance at the meeting of the State Council. The Delegates attending the State Council. The Knights of Columbus State Convention is a two day event commencing at approximately 1:00 p.m. on Friday and ending at approximately 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. Per diem is paid on the basis of a twenty four (24) hour day. No part of any day less than one-half (12 hours) will be paid. (Refer to Article V, Section 8 for mileage and per diem determination.)

<u>Section 7</u>. State Deputy approved Registration Fees for the State Officers, the State Chaplain, District Deputies, State Committee Chairman and the last living Past State Deputy shall be paid by the State Council.

<u>Section 8</u>. Definition – There are six (6) categories: 1 – State Officers, 2 – Past State Deputies, 3 – Former State Chaplains, 4 – District Deputies, 5 – State Committee Chairmen and 6 – Delegates in attendance at the State Council meetings. The first five (5) categories will have mileage and per diem determined. The last category six (6) (Delegates) will have only per diem determined. The rate of payment for per diem as well as mileage is to be determined by the Mileage and Per Diem Committee and approved by majority vote of the State Council.

ARTICLE VI Elections

<u>Section 1.</u> Election of State Officers and delegates to the Supreme Convention shall be consistent with the Constitution, Laws and Rules of the Order.

Section 2. Order of Election.

(a) The nomination of candidates for and the election of the State Deputy shall first be held, and the results declared.

- (b) The other State Officers in order shall then be nominated and the results declared.
- (c) The nomination and election of alternates for the State Deputy and the Immediate Past State Deputy to the Supreme Convention shall be held from the Past State Deputy ranks. The two nominations with the highest votes will be the alternates for the State Deputy and the Immediate Past State Deputy if needed.
- (d) Then shall follow the nomination and election of representatives to the Supreme Convention, which shall be nominated at once and elected on the same ballot. As many of those receiving the highest vote and who belong to the insurance class as there are insurance delegates to be elected shall represent the class. As many other candidates who receive the highest vote, whether associate or insurance, as may be required to fill the delegation shall represent the associate class.

ARTICLE VII Raffles and Lotteries

<u>Section 1</u>. All raffles and lotteries conducted by subordinate councils must be authorized under state law and the law of the Order.

<u>Section 2</u>. All requests by subordinate councils must be in writing to the State Deputy or a person designated by him. All requests must show that all net proceeds will be distributed to a designated charity. All deposits of money must be to an account designated for charity. All tickets for such raffles and lotteries must be sold in Wyoming.

Article VIII Insurance

<u>Section 1</u>. Subordinate councils shall be able to buy liability insurance for their individual councils needs. This insurance will be voluntary and based upon the membership of the council. The State Secretary will bill the councils desiring the insurance based on the current rate for the year as quoted by the Insurance Company per member based upon their present membership number as of June 1. This insurance will cover what the diocese requires for us to have for our events and programs that are held upon church property.

Article IX Supreme Convention

Section 1. State Chaplain: The State Chaplain's expenses to attend the Supreme Convention will be paid by the State Council at the same per diem and mileage rate as the

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State Deputy. The mileage will be figured from the State Chaplain's place of residence to the location of the Supreme Convention. If the State Chaplain receives per diem from Supreme, then the State Council will pay only mileage.

Article X Miscellaneous

<u>Section 1</u>. Subordinate Councils shall furnish membership and other reports requested by the State Officers within a period not exceeding thirty (30) days from the date of such request, unless a shorter period is specified in the request, in which case the information will be furnished within the required time.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Wyoming State Council has established a trust known as "Wyoming Knights of Columbus Charitable Trust." The purpose of this trust is to provide a perpetual fund to help defray the costs of educating seminarians and providing for priests' retirement. The State Treasurer is a trustee of this Trust or, if he cannot serve, a member of the State Council appointed by the State Deputy will act as a trustee.

<u>Section 3</u>. The Wyoming State council has established the Change From Heaven as a way to collect money for the Charitable Trust and Fr. McGivney Burse for seminarians. The councils are asked to collect change during the year and present it at a roll call of the councils present at the convention. The money will be split equally between the Chartable Trust and the Fr McGivney Burse.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Wyoming Knights of Columbus invested money in the Christopher Fund starting in 2006. The Wyoming fund is fully invested in the fund at the \$5.00 per member for the 2,872 members and matched by the Supreme Council. At such time the membership exceeds the 2,872 members, the state council will need to check with Supreme to see if they will still match the funds.

The Wyoming State Council can invest funds above and beyond the \$5.00 per member but they are not matched by Supreme.

The State Deputy is to request each March from Supreme the proceeds from the Christopher Fund. The funds will be divided with sixty percent (60%) be given to the St. Joseph's Priest Retirement Fund and forty percent (40%) to the Wyoming Knights of Columbus Michael J. McGivney Burse for Seminarian Education.

<u>Section 4</u>. These By-laws, or any part thereof, may be amended or repealed at any regular meeting of the State Council by a majority of those present, subject to approval by the Supreme Council.

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