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CH: Call to order, please find your seats.

Okay, I need everybody to find your seats and we're going to...

Okay everyone. We need to get going, so please find a seat, get the doors closed.

Okay, here we go. Please turn off or silence all mobile devices. We are about to open this meet in the Third Degree. Everyone not having received the honors of membership in the Third Degree shall please retire from the chamber. The doors shall now be closed and the Assistant Wardens assume their positions. Worthy State Warden. Do you vouch that everyone present is in possession of a Third Degree membership card?

WM: I do so vouch.

CH: Thank you. I call on Immediate Past State Deputy Martin F. McCoy, Jr., for the purpose of an introduction. Worthy Immediate Past State Deputy.

MM: I didn't want to talk with the throat lozenge in my mouth. Colds are terrible. Brother Knights, it is an to honor call to the podium to conduct the 118th Annual Meeting of the Indiana Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus our State Deputy, Paul Zielinski.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you Worthy Immediate Past State Deputy. See, I can't do this.

(Raps gavel once)

The 118th Meeting of the Indiana Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus will please come to order. I'll set aside our ceremonial gavel and return to using the standard gavel.

The Opening Ode is printed inside the back cover of the Convention Booklet. To lead us in singing it, I call Brother Mike Warden to the lower podium please.

(Gavel raps three times)

MW: (Leads members in singing the Opening Ode)

CH: Thank you Brother Mike.

(Gavel raps once)

Please be seated.

Following a longstanding tradition, we now recognize our brother Knights who have served the Indiana Jurisdiction and our order as State Deputy. I ask that they be seated

in the first row of seats to my left as I call their name. Please hold your applause until all are seated.

Doug Adams, 1986-1988

Robert Lynch, 2000-2002

Jeff Biel, 2004-2006

Steve Ziemba, 2008-2010, and Steve is our Parliamentarian for today, for this convention. He will be seated at the dais.

And now, I need the Past State Deputies to caucus briefly and take a vote. They have a new member to their row. Now, this is an even number of Past State Deputies here, so this could take a long time. I'm sorry, sorry, no have got.

Please enter Scott C. Cunningham, Past State Deputy 2014-2016. (LAUGHTER)

And our Immediate Past State Deputy is Martin F. McCoy, Jr., who is seated on the dais.

Please give all our Past State Deputies a round of applause.

(Applause)

CH: To deliver the State of the Jurisdiction address, I now call on State Deputy of the Indiana Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus, Paul Zielinski. Please rise.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you Worthy State Secretary.

You guys ready? Okay. Worthy State Chaplain, Associate Chaplain, Reverend Fathers, any Deacons, Worthy State Officers, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy District Deputies, Former District Deputies, General Agents, Worthy Grand Knights, Worthy Council Officers, Worthy District Wardens, Field Agents and Brother Knights. Praise be Jesus Christ.

I am very happy to report the State of the Indiana Jurisdiction is very good. We are saving lives and changing lives. We are fulfilling the vision and mission of Father McGivney. Our numbers are growing and statewide our Knights are living and demonstrating our Order's principles of charity, unity and fraternity. The State of the Indiana Jurisdiction is very good because of you, our Council, Grand Knights and Officers. Thank you. Thank you for all you've done to grow our order in membership, charity, unity and fraternity. We're working together. We are saving lives and we are changing lives.

Now, if we could flip to my statistics slide, thank you. These are the stats from our State Council's Form 1728 for the years 2017 and 2018. You'll notice the numbers for the State Council are small compared to the total charitable distributions and volunteer hours from all Indiana Councils combined. In 2017, the Indiana State Council statewide gave \$2.7 million and 590,000 hours of volunteer service. It's outstanding.

(Applause)

Your councils are making a difference in many lives. In 2018, the Indiana statewide totals will be available after the Supreme Convention. I firmly believe that our totals will exceed last year. It's amazing the long commitment of the Indiana Knights, the commitment we have to our top charities – Gibault, nearly 100 years; Special Olympics Indiana, 50 years; support our seminarians, about 30 years; ultrasound initiative, around 10 years. This is great and we are building on this legacy. We are caring for more children than ever at Gibault. Gibault cares for an average of 113 children every day. Gibault is our number one charity and the only charity where Knights of Columbus are required to be the majority of the Board. The Chairman of the Board is our Immediate Past State Deputy, Marty McCoy. Can Marty McCoy and the other Board members please stand up that are in the room – everyone who's on the Board at Gibault, please stand up. Thank you, guys.

(Applause)

And where do the children, where do the children, as young as six years old, where do they come from? They're referred to Gibault by agencies and parents across Indiana. On the screen is a list of the Indiana counties referring children to Gibault in the first quarter of this year. There's something like 92 counties in Indiana, I think, and there's 50 counties on the screen. So, they are coming from all over the state and this is only the first quarter of this year. We can all be proud of the work Gibault is doing and has done for nearly 100 years, since it's founding by the Indiana Knights of Columbus in 1921. We are now well over 10,000 lives that have been changed for the better because of you.

The Knights of Columbus have been working together with Special Olympics from day one. Eunice Kennedy Shriver was the Founder of Special Olympics. Her husband, Sargent Shriver, was a Knight of Columbus. Indiana's campaign for those with intellectual disabilities has raised over \$2 million since July of 2010 and over \$134,000 this year. This has enabled your county Special Olympics coordinators to add programs and for Special Olympics Indiana to reduce the cost for athletes to attend the Summer Games. Our Knights give their time, talent and treasure to support Special Olympics Indiana. A few brave souls even go Freezin' for a Reason. How many Councils have participated in an event with Special Olympians? Raise your hands. How many Councils? Look at this; that's great. Thank you for supporting these amazing athletes. I heard Father Blaney speak from Sharing Meadows about people with intellectual disabilities. He didn't use the term intellectual disabilities; he said they have other abilities. So, these are the people with other abilities that you're supporting. Thank you for doing that. Because of you, the Special Olympics Partnership Profile Report Form 4584, Supreme has sent us a check of \$2,800 for Special Olympics. I will present that check this afternoon to Special Olympics Indiana. Now, next year, it can even be a bigger check if more Councils would submit that form.

On the screens are all the ultrasound machines you have purchased for Indiana Crisis Pregnancy Centers in the last 10 years. These machines are saving lives and changing lives. They are truly saving lives every day. Through the Supreme initiative, we purchase these machines. This year, we purchased two machines – one for the Indianapolis Women's Care Center and the other is for the Terre Haute Crisis Pregnancy Center of Wabash Valley. These machines are saving lives every day. The total retail

value of just these machines on the screen here is over \$1.3 million. This money is well spent. Supreme estimates every Crisis Pregnancy Center ultrasound machine saves around four babies a week. So, these machines you see on the screen here have saved over 14,000 babies since they were put into service – 14,000 babies.

(Applause)

And with all our machines across the state, we're saving over 100 babies every week, every week because of what you guys have done. Your Council contributions make the state ultrasound program possible, make this achievement possible. You are making a difference. We are even in the process of approving four more sites for ultrasound machines, so please keep contributing generously and thank you for that.

Just a few years ago, Past State Deputy, Scott Cunningham, he got us started supporting Safe Haven Baby Boxes. Two baby boxes were installed this year with the help of our Councils, your Councils. These devices give women a way to surrender their baby anonymously. I think supporting Safe Haven Baby Boxes has been especially good because they have increased awareness of the Indiana Safe Haven Law. There have been a few babies saved directly by these baby boxes, but I believe many, many more indirectly saved. So, thank you guys for supporting Safe Haven Baby Boxes. Yeah, give them a round of applause. It's for yourselves. Give yourself a round of applause.

(Applause)

About 30 years ago, the Tony Muffoletto Support Our Seminarians program was started. Since 2009 – I had numbers going back to 2009, I can see we gave about \$360,000 to our seminarians. This past November, each of our diocesan seminarians received a \$525 SOS check. Talk to our Vocations Chairman, Ed Waldschmidt, or State Treasurer, Scott Schutte. Ask them to show you some of the thank you notes they've received. We are, you are making a difference in the lives of our future priests.

The new Faith in Action was launched this year and has taken root. Our bishops and priests are very, very excited about this program. It is revitalizing the Knights of Columbus. In this program, good Catholic men are putting their faith into action. Our Knights are leading their families in service, not leaving their families to serve. Our Councils are embracing the Faith in Action program model and learning how to apply the good works they've always been doing to the new model.

A few examples of charity, unity and fraternity to demonstrate – we are fulfilling the vision and mission of Father McGivney. As I mentioned this morning, I gave the recognition to our Central Indiana Chapter, the Car Washes for Babies. That Council did a great job with working with Crew Carwashes, and every dollar they collected went towards ultrasound machines. It was fantastic.

Council 451, Fort Wayne, they went through, they did a little bit of genealogical research on their founding members of the Council. They're one of the oldest Councils in the State of Indiana and they had the ceremony out at the cemetery where most of those members are buried, and remembered them like they were their own brothers, like they were really truly their brothers. I think that's fantastic.

Disaster relief – you heard about Bill McDonald and the work that the team is doing to assist hurricane victims in Texas and Florida. That has been fantastic. I think that's a great opportunity, especially for our young members to get involved. They need strong backs and strong arms to lift a lot of this debris, and they also could use a few more tractors. We had a, last trip to Florida, one of the Knights took a John Deere, a small one, down with him on a trailer and that was very useful in moving debris because when they clear up after the storms – what was the storm called? What was the name of it, in Florida? Michael? Hurricane Michael. It just destroyed a section of Florida where there's so much debris, but every person had to move all that debris from the back of their house up to the road so that the county could come through and collect it all, and that tractor was great for doing this. So, thank you guys. That's fantastic work.

Our Race for Vocations – this morning, as was mentioned, Larry Kunkle and probably 200 others were running and promoting vocations. I think we've got a picture of it up there of Race for Vocations. Now, that was on a sunny day. I want to see the pictures from today's event. It's going to be impressive. It's part of a larger One America 500 Festival Mini Marathon that has over 30,000 participants. So, this is a way for Knights to promote vocations to a group of 30,000.

Indiana is one of the fastest growing Jurisdictions in our Order. We have over 33,000 Knights today and 191 active Councils. We are – those dots on the map there – are locations of every one of our Councils in the state. We're growing like never before. Men are joining in bunches at admission degrees and one at a time via online membership. Good Catholic men are joining us when they see the good works you are doing, that we are truly the Knights of Charity. They join when they see our spirit of working together in fraternity. The number one recruiting method is Just Ask. A Brother Knight personally asking a good Catholic man to join us has been and always will be the most effective method. We are very happy with our new Councils and reactivated Councils recognized this morning – St. Isidore from Bristow, Our Lady of Guadalupe from Warsaw and St. Mary's from Huntingburg. Could all those Grand Knights and Officers please stand up one more time? You all give them a round of applause.

(Applause)

Welcome. Welcome. When we started reactivating the Huntingburg Council, we met with Father Hildebrand and asked him what his expectations were. He said he's got plenty of help with manual work around the parish. He said what he needs from the Knights is a spiritual fraternity of men. I thought to myself, I said, is this Father Hildebrand speaking to me or is this Father McGivney speaking to me? Needless to say, Father Hildebrand got his Council.

In July, we will be launching a young adult initiative led by our young adult coordinator, Andy Gorgol. Is Andy in the room? I didn't see; I don't know if he's – there's Andy. There's Andy.

(Applause)

The Young Adult, the Young Member Initiative will be rolled out over the next 12 months to make us a younger, more vibrant, more faithful organization serving our church, community and families, like Father McGivney envisioned. In addition, Andy's going to be wearing many hats. He'll be coordinating our youth events, the soccer challenge, a

free throw, and working with the Councils for our statewide golf tournament and bowling tournament.

In July, we'll be launching a new initiative to reach out to our men in service and veterans. Attend the Veterans Affairs breakout session this afternoon to learn more about it from our Veterans Affairs Chairman, Tom Peters. Is Tom in the room? He's getting set up. He did our Pledge of Allegiance this morning.

We are growing in ceremonial degree teams too across the state, but we need more. Today, we have 16 formation degree teams. The newest team was formed in District 16. Thank you, DD Dirk Wiener. Two more in process – one of these will be a Spanish team. We need your help to stand up a formation degree team in every district, especially south of Indianapolis.

Statewide, we have four knighthood degree teams in our state and really need more. If you can help, please see our Ceremonial Chairman, Jeff Gadbois, this weekend. Jeff, stand up, so everyone knows you. There's Jeff in the back. Please see him, he could use some help.

(Applause)

Speaking of Spanish, we are trying to use some of this technology for good. We do have radios available for translators, if anyone's having trouble with English. We do have a setup of radios and translators to help you out. That will be available for our Degrees across the state. So, as we do Third Degree teams, we have a mix of English-speaking and other languages, we can help them out.

Our insurance numbers are growing too. Our Knights love their families and are looking out for their financial well-being. This too is an important part of the vision and mission of Father McGivney. We have many good and affordable products for our Knights to protect their families. Sit down with a field agent very soon and have him review your situation. Remember, our agents are not only skilled professionals, they are our Brother Knights. One of our field agents is actually one of the top five in the world. Financial situations change over time. My experience has been that we can trust these Brothers to tell us truthfully when we need to buy more insurance or we don't need to. So, please set up an appointment with your agent very soon.

Numbers, this is all fun, but the most important parameter is to do everything with love. Jesus commands us to love. He tells us to love God and our neighbor. The last two lines of our Closing Ode even say "Faith in our works appear upheld by love." I believe, and I think you do too, that the Knights of Columbus is the best organization to help good Catholic men become better Catholic men, husbands and fathers. If we love our neighbor, we could ask him to join us. Our church needs good men. Our parishes need good active men. Is your Council having troubles? Does it need more active members? The answer to all these questions is recruit more good men to join the Knights of Columbus. Just ask and they will join us. You Grand Knights and Officers here today have the best Councils in our state. Keep asking good Catholic men to join us. You are the kind of Councils that men are looking to join. I challenge each of you to commit your Council to bringing in four more new members before the end of this fraternal year. Two this month, two next month – can you do that? Can you do that? I believe you can. Nothing is impossible with God. More good men mean more good works, means more

lives changed, more lives saved. Keep asking good Catholic men to join us. Get them involved in the good works of your Council. Watch them grow into better Catholic men, husbands and fathers. This is the vision of Father McGivney and this is our mission. Vivat Jesus.

(Applause)

CH: Thank you Worthy State Deputy.

A motion to approve to approve the State of the Jurisdiction Address and the reports of the other state officers will be accepted after a temporary roll of delegates has been taken and approved. The State's Deputy report will be posted to our website after the Convention. The reports of the other officers will be printed in the Convention Proceedings booklet that will be distributed in July at our summer organizational meeting.

I now again present State Deputy Paul Zielinski. Worthy State Deputy.

PZ: Thank you Worthy State Secretary.

The Chair calls to the podium State Secretary, Craig Hanusin, for the purpose of a Roll Call.

Worthy State Secretary.

CH: Thank you Worthy State Deputy.

For the Roll Call, we need the District Deputies to line up in the center aisle in numerical order from Districts 1 to 39 and back, in front of the podium.

Our Executive Secretary had handed all the District Deputies, and for those Districts that the DD was not present, we were asking somebody to step up and do the count for that District.

Worthy District Deputy 1, Juan Huizar, how many delegates are present in your row today?

JH: Five.

CH: Five delegates. That agrees. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 2, Dave Negrete.

DN: Worthy State Secretary, I have nine delegates present this morning.

CH: Okay. That's correct. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 3, Alan Neff.

AN: I have four delegates.

CH: You have four delegates. Okay, hold on. I've got three listed, so, who for, alright, 40, 47, how many do you have?

??: I have two.

CH: You have two? Who is the other one beside Dwayne Forbes?

??: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: He is not. He is not. Okay, three delegates it is.

Worthy District Deputy 4, Mike Havens.

MH: (INAUDIBLE) District 4 has seven votes.

CH: Okay, thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 5, Mike Kovacs.

MK: We currently have seven present.

CH: Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 6, Tom Root.

TR: We have six present.

CH: Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy, Ray Borkowski.

RB: Two delegates.

CH: Two delegates. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 9, Dan Hampton. Oh, Kevin, District Deputy 8, Kevin Large.

KL: (INAUDIBLE) I'm here to say we have zero delegates.

CH: Oh, okay.

KL: Make sure (INAUDIBLE). (INAUDIBLE STATEMENT – off microphone)

CH: Okay. Thank you. So, Kevin Large, DD8, said Council 1975 is celebrating their 100th anniversary today. So, thank you Kevin. Thank you for what you do.

(Applause)

Now, Worthy District Deputy 9, Dan Hampton.

DH: Worthy State Secretary, we have five.

CH: Five delegates. That's good.
Worthy District Deputy 10, Rich, Rick Burmeister.

RB: Worthy State Secretary, District 10 has three delegates.

CH: Three delegates. That is good. Thank you.
Worthy District Deputy 11, Mike Huzar.

MH: (INAUDIBLE) I have one.

CH: One delegate. Okay.
Worthy District Deputy – thanks Mike. Worthy District Deputy 12, John Kessen.

JK: Seven.

CH: Seven delegates. Two, four, two, four, six – I've got six on my list. So, you've got 1790; how many do you have?

?: One for 1790.

CH: Okay. For 1738.

?: (INAUDIBLE) three.

CH: Okay, but we only count two. Maximum delegates you can count is two.

?: You're right.

CH: Okay. So, six is your total. Thank you. That's good.
Worthy District Deputy 13, Jerry Hake.

JH: I have two.

CH: Okay. I have one listed, which is Richard Annis. Who is the second?

JH: (INAUDIBLE – off microphone)

CH: Okay. I only have one council for your district, 14299. I don't have the other Certificate of Credential for another council. Scott, you didn't get another credential?

SS: No, I didn't. Which one is it?

CH: District 13 – what council Jerry?

JH: 7255.

CH: 7255.

JH: Columbia City.

CH: Columbia City.

JH: Did you get one from there?

SS: I don't recall getting one (REMAINDER INAUDIBLE).

JH: If he didn't, I'll just take one.

CH: Right. I don't, I don't have their Certificate of Credential. So, okay, so one is the total. Thank you.

Worthy Former DD and Acting DD, Ed Waldschmidt, for District 14.

EW: Four.

CH: Four. That's good. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 15, Michael Follis.

MF: I have five.

CH: Five. That's good. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 16, Dirk Wiener.

DW: Four delegates.

CH: Four delegates. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 17, Dave Doran.

DD: I have four delegates.

CH: Four delegates. Thank you. That's good.

Worthy District Deputy 18, Jeff Emminger.

JE: District 18 has six delegates.

CH: Okay. Alright, so you did get your other – we had Robert Newport and Evan Yearwood was not here at registration, but somebody is here now from...?

JE: Evan Yearwood. Evan's here, but showed up late...

CH: Okay.

JE: ... after I gave you (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Okay. So, I'll make the correction, but you have – okay, hold on – two, so your total again is six?

JE: Correct.

CH: That matches. Thank you.
Worthy District Deputy 19, Jeff Young.

JY: Five.

CH: Five matches. Thank you very much.
Our new District Deputy 20 from Muncie Council 560, Jim Carnes.

JC: Yes, we have two delegates.

CH: Okay. That's from your Council. Thank you very much, and welcome to the state family.

JC: Thank you.

CH: District Deputy 21, Ted Shay.

TS: We have six.

CH: Two, four, six – that matches. Thank you very much.
Worthy District Deputy 22, Jeff Paulson.

JP: We have four delegates and one alternate.

CH: Okay. I've two, four – I've got, alright, you've got four delegates. So, Jim, Bill Husar and David Hillary are not present.

JP: Right.

CH: Alright. So, you have, alright, so for Council 12387, you only have one delegate?

JP: There should be an alternate.

CH: Alright. Besides Jonathan Evans, is anyone here from 12387?

?: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Okay.

JP: He wasn't in our role. I didn't count him.

CH: Okay. We'll count him. So, alright, so that makes – hold on – two, four, two, four, five – alright, so does that make seven now?

JP: Yeah.

CH: Seven. Okay. I have seven with a, okay. Okay, thank you.

Worthy Acting District Deputy for 23, and your name is?

GZ: Greg Zanzos (SPELLING???)

CH: Greg Zanzos, nice to meet you. Put a face with a name. Go ahead...

GZ: Seven.

CH: Seven? Okay. Two, four, six, seven – that is good. Greg, thank you for doing that. We really appreciate that.

Worthy District Deputy 24, Michael Lewis.

ML: Worth State Secretary, we have two.

CH: Two delegates. That matches – oh, wait. Okay, so Kevin Wagner of Shelbyville 822 is not present. Okay. So, you have two. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 25, Don, Donnie Miller.

DM: Six.

CH: Six delegates. Hold, wait, wait, wait, wait. That matches. Thank you, Donnie. That's good.

Worthy District Deputy 26, George Knezevich, how many delegates do you have?

GK: We have a total of seven.

CH: Okay.

GK: (INAUDIBLE) Council 6989 is omitted from the (INAUDIBLE). (STATEMENT INAUDIBLE – off microphone)

CH: Hold on. What Council is that?

GK: 6989, Greencastle, probably signed the (INAUDIBLE).

CH: I don't have their Certificate of Credential. Scott, you've not received that Council's Certificate of Credential?

SS: What was the name?

GK: 6989.

SS: No, the name of the person.

GK: Father Simon. Is he (INAUDIBLE)?

SS: The name of the member?

CH: What was the name of the delegate from that council?

GK: Harry (INAUDIBLE).

SS: I'll have to go find it.

CH: Alright. Hold on George. So, I have two from 541, two from 4377, and two from 9441.

GK: Correct.

CH: The one you listed, I do not have a Certificate of Credential from them and if it wasn't received today by – no, don't. Okay. So, right now, I'm going to put you down for six, as I had, and we'll check into that.

GK: Okay, thank you.

CH: Thank you. Hold on. I have to introduce you first.

Worthy District Deputy (INAUDIBLE), Kevin O'Farrell, yes.

KF: Two.

CH: Two shall be the count and the number of the count shall be two. Thank you kindly.

Worthy District Deputy 28, Roger Reuss.

RR: Nine.

CH: Two, four, six, eight, nine. And Roger, I want to let everybody know, one of the incentives for the District Deputies was to have all of their councils here present, have all of their councils here present. So, along with District Deputy 5, Mike Kovacs, are you in the room, Mike, and Roger were the two District Deputies that had all their councils present. Thank you.

(Applause)

Worthy Acting District Deputy for 29, and your name is?

BS: Ben Scott.

CH: Ben Scott. Okay. Ben, how many delegates?

BS: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Two delegates. Thank you very much.

Worthy District Deputy 30, Dan Megel.

DM: Three.

CH: Three delegates. That matches. Thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 31, Phil Perry.

PP: Five delegates.

CH: Five delegates. Two, four – I've got four delegates, so...

PP: One was listed as an alternate and (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Okay. Gotcha. So, that's 1131, your council, you were listed as a delegate. So, Paul is here? Paul LaVale? Okay. So, that concurs.

PP: (INAUDIBLE) 2215 and one from...

CH: Right, okay. So, confirm your count again?

PP: Five.

CH: Five, that matches. Thank you.
Worthy District Deputy 32, Joe Buechlein.

JB: Six delegates.

CH: You have six delegates. Okay. I need to confirm. The Grand Knight of the newly reactivated 13086, Ed Hampton, is here.

JB: Yes, he is.

CH: He is here. Okay. Two, four, two, four, six – okay, so you have six total.

JB: Yes.

CH: Six total matches. Thank you.

JB: (INAUDIBLE – off microphone)

CH: Here's one of our runners who reported it was very wet on the racecourse, and you did half a marathon?

??: Yes, sir.

CH: As Paul would say, God bless you.
Worthy District Deputy 33, Alan Stockinger. Welcome back. How many delegates present?

AS: Worthy State Secretary, eight delegates.

CH: Eight delegates. Bravo, and that matches.
Worthy District Deputy 34, Tom Campbell.

TC: Five.

CH: Five delegates. Thank you.
Worthy District Deputy 35, Joe Hanekeys (SPELLING???)

JH: I have six delegates.

CH: Six delegates. That matches. Thank you very, very much.
Worthy District Deputy 36, Darren Sroufe.

DS: We have four.

CH: Four delegates. Hold on. Okay. From Council 7544, how many do you have? One? That concurs. From Council 8746, how many do you have?

DS: One.

CH: Okay, that is Robert Dassell? Okay. And then you have two from 10257?

DS: Right.

CH: Okay. And the total you have is?

DS: Four.

CH: Four, that concurs. Thank you.
Worthy District Deputy 37, Bill Sherman, Color Cord Commander from Bishop Chatard Assembly.

BS: I have seven delegates.

CH: Seven delegates. I've got six, so we need to troubleshoot.

BS: 16466, do you have them down?

CH: Hold on.

BS: He's here now. Ambrose?

CH: What Council number?

BS: 16466.

CH: We got 16305, 6138, 3660...

BS: Right, two each of those.

CH: Right. I don't have a Certificate of Credential for that Council.

BS: He got it. He got the Certificate...

CH: Okay. Everybody, if I could have your attention. Very important. Every year you have to submit a Certificate of Credential separate or independent of your convention registration. So, the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary have to countersign and seal this. So, if I have not received your Certificate of Credential, we can't give mileage and per diem to delegates that we have not received it from. Okay. So...

??: You can't vote (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Right. Okay. Again, that council number is?

BS: 16466.

CH: 16466.

??: He's here, but he's not voting.

??: His statement, not voting.

??: Hey, Craig.

CH: Yes.

??: He mailed them and did not have a copy. I told him while we were there (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Alright. I'll, along with our Convention Registration Chairman and you, Bill, will – alright, so present, present you have six?

BS: Present, I've got seven.

CH: You've got seven. Alright. As I said, but I have six...

??: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Alright. I can only give you credit right now for six because I don't have a Certificate of Credential. If he had it or has it here, he's got to give it to us. Alright, thank you.

Worthy District Deputy 38, John Jones.

JJ: Seven.

CH: Seven. Hold on – I've got six. So, okay. This is what you had promised that you would bring me yesterday. So, Rod Butcher and Bob or Rob Redding...

JJ: Those are on that list.

CH: Alright. So, I still have six. For 656, how many?

JJ: Well, 656, two.

CH: For 1265?

JJ: Right.

CH: How many?

JJ: Two.

CH: For 1977?

JJ: Two.

CH: Okay. And who's...?

JJ: I don't know. Do I represent my own council? (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Oh, you're (INAUDIBLE). 14449?

JJ: 14476.

CH: 14476. Let me see if I have it.

JJ: It would be mine.

CH: I do not have that. So, in the future – if I could just get everybody's attention. So, let me just clarify something. Alright, so John, you're going to have six. Let me just clarify and for everybody's knowledge, the District Deputy can be a delegate. He has to be listed on his Council's Certificate of Credential. So, it's important that you know that and everybody in the room that a District Deputy, but you have to list it on a Certificate of Credential and I have to receive it. Okay. Six, thank you John.

And, last but not least, District 39, our new District, right, right, Mark Chattersson will be here this afternoon, but Acting, and I want to thank you again, and your name is?

TB: Tim Brown.

CH: Tim Brown. Thank you.

So, for District 39, Tim, how many delegates present today?

TB: Five.

CH: Five delegates. Thank you. Okay. That concludes the Roll Call. So, I want to report today to everybody that we have 186 delegates that concur with my spreadsheet. Thank you all.

(Applause)

PZ: Okay. Let's see. We went through there, we did the Roll Call. We are going to move a couple of things. Normally, in the Saturday morning, we do the State Secretary's Report and State Treasurer's Report. In the interest of time, we're going to move those to be tomorrow. So, what I'd like to do is to move up our State Advocate's Report. I want the Chair calls State Advocate, Gil Spisak, to the podium for his report. Worthy State Advocate.

(Applause)

GS: Worthy dignitaries and Brother Knights. The following is the report of the State Advocate regarding legal and other issues with the councils in the state.

There are many councils that are fully compliant and I congratulate you. Many of the items in this report are being discussed since we have had numerous issues in these areas this year and we are here to help you. Please don't hesitate to contact your District Deputy for any assistance or any of the other state officers, directors or chairmen for information and guidance.

Regarding checking the Supreme Officers Desk Reference for the Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries: I'm not going to go into detailed information on the following topics, as much of it was given out to the councils by the District Deputies and also at the local regional meetings. District Deputies will be continually following up with their councils until all requirements are met. The information mentioned on the following items can be found on the Supreme and State websites and Supreme handbooks. The Supreme Officers Desk Reference has the information on many of the questions that councils are asking me. So, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries should be logging in and referencing the Officers Desk Reference before contacting anybody with questions.

Safe Environment: As a mandatory requirement for all councils and now all their required positions, must complete the training and background checks. Councils do not pay for the background checks; Supreme does. Those having problems with their Praesidium Armatus training accounts and with logging in or issues completing the requirements must contact Supreme to get this resolved. Councils must submit their Form 185, the Officers Chosen for the Term, and Form 365, Service Program Personnel, with the required positions completed. Getting these forms submitted on time and completing the Safe Environment requirements is part of your duty when you accepted your council position. The details can be found on the Supreme website and the Supreme Officers Desk Reference section that the Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries sign in to. At this time, we have 69 councils that are fully compliant with the Supreme Safe Environment requirements, and we also have 17 additional councils that are three-quarters compliant. Need to work on that; they just need one more person to get that completed. Of those councils, we have 172 Grand Knights, 105 Program Directors, 86 Community Directors, and 84 Family Directors out of the 197 active councils in the state who have completed their training. Of the Knights required to complete the background checks, 175 are compliant. Of the names submitted on the forms to Supreme, 398 Knights are compliant and 21 are noncompliant, and the rest of the positions have not been submitted. There are many councils on track to being Star Councils, but the only way you can be a Star Council is to complete the Safe Environment training requirements. Many of you have heard me comment about the many people I have taken to jail for this crime. They say they are sorry, but after talking to them, you know what, they're not sorry; they're just sorry they got caught. And you guys have heard me say this numerous times – when I'm over there and taking the report and I look into that child's eyes, he's never the same. So, take the time and do your training. It makes a difference. Remember my saying, too, isn't a few hours of your time worth saving a child from being scarred for life?

Okay, as far as Council Insurance, there's a lot of questions on this. Many councils think their council and its events are covered by the State or Supreme Insurance. False. Councils must have their own insurance to cover and protect the council and its events,

and this information is in the Supreme Officers Desk Reference. Do not rely on your church's insurance since, if there's a lawsuit, the council's not covered directly and your council can lose everything. Just a few hundred dollars can save your council the protection it needs and can avoid you and your council's members having to go to court and resolve this. If you have to fight a lawsuit, it would cost your council thousands of dollars instead of a hundred dollars or so for the insurance. Don't say it won't happen, because it has happened, and those councils and their officers regret not having the insurance. This is a Supreme requirement and information can be found in Supreme Officers Desk Reference. You notice I keep repeating that, so please check that. You can check with the local insurance agents in your area for policies, or you can check with the Lockton Affinity mentioned on the Supreme Desk Reference section for further information on this.

Home Corporations: Many of the councils with Home Corporations have completed the required paperwork, but some who said they submitted the paperwork are not showing this as complete in recent Supreme Report and they must contact the Supreme Advocate's Office to get this resolved. This is a requirement for all councils that have home corps with the Supreme resolutions back in August 2014 of number 340 and 341. So, it is our bylaws and you took an oath to follow your laws and rules of the order in your First Degree. Councils not having these contracts completed may result in disciplinary actions being taken against them, since we are now past Supreme's deadline for contract submittal. The District Deputies will also be following up with their councils that have home corps until their council is fully compliant with the contracts. Some councils that had submitted the Terms of Use agreement or Terrible Use agreements, but both need to be completed and submitted to both Supreme and State for completion. Remember, this is a contract between the council and the home corp, not Supreme, but Supreme and State do need a copy of this. If you need help, please don't hesitate to contact the Supreme Advocate's Office. They have told me numerous times, they're there to help the councils with this and are glad to help them, but many councils have not utilized this resource by contacting Supreme Advocate's Office for help. Also, if your council's decision was to disengage from the home corp to the parish, you need to complete the disengagement procedures in the home corp handbook and notify Supreme. Councils and home corps must remember that the purpose of the home corp was created to support the council.

Logos: Many of you will use the logo issues, and the councils need to remember that the proper use of the Knights of Columbus name and logo use must be enforced. Information to be found in the Supreme Officers Desk Reference section. Home corp building and councils must be compliant with logo use and should always refer to the Officers Desk Reference. Remember, for the council use of the logo, you must include the council name, number and city with it. Home corps cannot display the K of C logo.

Licensing, regarding gaming: All councils must comply with the State of Indiana's gaming licensing. You must investigate and complete all the requirements to avoid issues since laws change every year. There have been several issues this year with councils that have not complied with the State of Indiana laws regarding the charity gaming and they have made the news. Again, make sure you check every year with this law since they change every year. I had one council say to me they'd been doing this for years and thought it was covered on the license. If you have questions, you can contact the State of Indiana Gaming Commission. They are glad to help you, but remember, if it isn't listed on your application or license, then it isn't covered.

Taxes: And we all know that time of year – a reminder for all councils and assembly to submit the IRS Form 990 every year – not every three years, every year. This is a requirement and if you let it lapse, it costs money, paperwork and time to try to get your status reinstated. I also need every council to send me their IRS EIN tax number to stateadvocate@indianakofc.org for the State's permanent recordkeeping for every council. I have some, but some need to be updated in our records.

Diocesan Caucus Info: This is the first year for this. Every State Convention voting delegate is required to attend their diocesan caucus meeting at 3:30 p.m. today. Please check your schedule or pocket guide for the room for your diocesan caucus – basically, Salons A through E and then Veterans 1 and 2. Each diocesan caucus will elect a delegate and alternate from the caucus to the Supreme Convention in August. Candidates must be a Third Degree member in good standing. Each diocesan caucus will be held in a professional and knightly manner. Attendance will be taken since this caucus is required for all voting delegates to elect your diocesan delegate to the Supreme Convention in August, and the alternate delegate for your diocese. Candidates wanting to be nominated as delegates to the Supreme Convention do not need to be State Convention delegates, but must be present to accept the nomination and receive info. The State Executive Secretary will provide further information. Only the State Convention delegates will be allowed to vote at the caucus, but others may attend the proceedings and can nominate a candidate. I would also like to mention, too, that for the Gary Diocesan Caucus, I have a large thank-you card for Bishop Hying since he is being reassigned to Madison, Wisconsin. I ask all the Gary Diocesan Knights to please attend that and sign the card with your name, council number and city, so we can thank the Bishop for all that he has done to support us. Okay, and then also, candidates for nomination at the caucus must complete the form and present the completed form to the diocesan caucus chairman at the start of the caucus. You can only be a candidate for your council's diocese. The State-appointed Diocesan Chairman will be in charge of the meeting and election and has the information and rules. The rules given to the caucus chairman are not debatable by the membership and may not be amended. The candidate receiving the most votes will be the delegate and the candidate receiving the next highest vote total will be the alternate. In the case of three or more candidates and no one receives a clear majority, then a run-off election will be held for two candidates receiving the most votes. Any caucus failing to have enough candidates to fulfill the required delegate and alternate positions will have those positions filled at the at-large elected delegate session at the Sunday business meeting, based on the at-large election result numbers. There will be an at-large candidate voting for the Supreme Convention at the Sunday business meeting and all candidates must complete the nomination form for candidates, and information will be provided by the State Executive Secretary. Remember, each caucus will elect one delegate and one alternate for their diocese to the Supreme Convention. The rules regarding elections will be followed, and the caucus diocesan chairman appointed by the State Deputy will be in charge of the caucus. This is the State's first year, as I mentioned, and it is a work in progress, so please be patient and help us improve the meeting each year. After the meeting, I would like the diocesan caucus chairmen to meet with me here for a quick briefing. I would also like to thank them in advance for taking on this role. Also, all Knights in the Gary – oh, I'm sorry; I already did that. I'm sorry. Okay. Moving on to the resolutions now.

The resolutions for this year's State Convention are in your Convention booklets and there are two resolutions regarding amending the Bylaws that you should review. The first, regarding Section 22 of the State Bylaws, is to include the Charity Fund Inc.

information in the State Convention book, and the second is a request to amend the Supreme Bylaws, Section 145, regarding council audits. Also, the Resolutions Committee, I need the following Knights to meet at our Resolutions Committee Meeting in Salon C at 3:00 p.m. today. They are Gary Zizilow (SPELLING???), Council 580, Bob Jonas, Council 1010, Bill McLaughlin, Council 3228, Pat Cox, Council 4511, and Jim Prosopoulis (SPELLING???) – I hope I got that right – Council 12177. And remember gentlemen, please don't hesitate to contact me if you need further info or any assistance with any of these items.

Thank you, Worthy State Deputy, and this concludes my State Advocate's Report.

(Applause)

PZ: Alright. Thank you, Worthy State Advocate. The Chair recognizes State Warden, Bill McDonald, for his report on Assistant Warden's Election Judges, Tellers, and State Banquet Ticket Takers and their Duties for the Convention.

WM: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

Assistant Warden and ticket taker assignments are on page 16 of the Convention booklet. Lunch ticket takers should report to Liberty Hall now to collect tickets outside the doors as people enter. Banquet ticket takers should report to Liberty Hall at 5:45 p.m. tonight, or immediately after mass, again to station outside the doors to collect tickets. Assistant Wardens report to the Grand Ballroom at 8:00 a.m. tomorrow morning, and Election Judges and Tellers should report to Salon B at 8:00 a.m. tomorrow morning for instructions.

One added comment, if anybody needs some last-minute Gibault tickets, I have them; they can see me where I'll gladly take your donations.

That's all I have to report, Worthy State.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Warden.

I now call to the podium Executive Secretary, Bob Uhrick, to provide us information and instructions concerning nomination form for candidates for State office, as well as Supreme Convention delegates. Worthy Executive Secretary.

RU: Worthy State Deputy.

Worthy State Deputy, thank you.

A few things – anyone, anyone running for State office or for election for delegate to the Supreme Convention must report to me to obtain a nominee information form. The only exception with the caucus this year, if you are a caucus winner, those will be given to me via each caucus. So, those people will be taken care of. If you do not win that and you want to run at large, I will need your form forwarded to me.

Okay. Does anyone else running for the at large or as a State office, needs to have their form completed and returned to me by 9:15 or at the close of the banquet tonight. Sunday morning, Salon A, just over here, there will be a mandatory meeting for all

candidates of State office and delegates to Supreme Convention. At that point, we will explain the nomination and election procedures. Your attendance as a candidate is required. Anyone who submits a form and fails to show for the candidate meeting will be disqualified. Thank you and enjoy the Convention. Scott.

SS: The caucus delegates, are they required for that early morning meeting since they're involved in and accepted by the caucus?

RU: I would like them to still attend...

SS: Okay.

RU: ... just so we can confirm they're all there.

SS: You might want to repeat that question, so that...

RU: Scott's question – those who win the caucus, I would still like for you to attend the meeting at 8:00 a.m. That way we can confirm that you are there, you are present, and you've met the requirement of not being automatically disqualified. Thank you.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy Executive Secretary.

Just for information, the Chairmen for our caucuses are Past State Deputies and one District Deputy. For the Gary diocese, it's Steve Ziemba is the Chairman. Oh, Jeff, Jeff's the Chairman. Sorry. I'm looking at you and saying Steve. Sorry. Jeff, Jeff, Jeff. Worthy Past State Deputy, Jeff, is the Chairman for the Gary diocese. For the Fort Wayne/South Bend diocese, it'll be Doug Adams. For the Lafayette diocese, it'll be Past State Deputy Scott Cunningham. For the Indianapolis diocese, it'll be Past State Deputy Bob Lynch. For Evansville diocese, it'll be District Deputy 33, Alan Stockinger. I think I got all the caucuses.

Now, since we have a temporary roll of delegates, the Chair will entertain a motion to accept the State of the Jurisdiction Address and the Report of the State Officers to have them included in the Proceedings for 118th Annual State Meeting. So, we need a motion.

DN: So moved.

PZ: Okay. Dave Negrete.

Okay. Parliamentarian advises that we revise his statement to say not to accept the reports of the State Officers, accept the reports of State Officers that have reported since we have two left to go tomorrow, and that motion was made by DD number 2, Dave Negrete. Is there a second?

TF: Second.

PZ: Name?

TF: Tim (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: And council?

TF 1696.

PZ: Tim Fautic? 16...?

TF 96.

PZ: 1696. Okay. All in favor, say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: All those opposed, say no. Motion is approved.

(Gavel raps once)

The lunch in Liberty Hall will begin at noon – just a couple minutes. Tickets will be collected.

The Financial Secretaries Association meeting and training will be beginning around 1:10 in Veterans 4.

From 2-4:00 p.m., there are several workshops and training sessions. Veterans Affairs, Leadership Training, Forms Workshop, Council Officer Training, Meet the Master – check your pocket guide for times and locations.

Convention Committee meetings will begin at 3 p.m. in Salons A, C and E. Grand Knights, again, check your books. Page 16 of the booklet has the committee assignments.

At 3:30, the diocesan caucuses begin. Check your pocket guide for locations.

The Chair will entertain a motion to recess the meeting until 8:30 a.m. tomorrow.

TR: So moved.

PZ: Who's? I need somebody. Tom. Tom Root, DD6, for the motion. A second?

KL: (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: Say that again.

KL: Kevin (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: Kevin Large, DD8, seconds the motion. All those in favor say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed? The motion is approved.

(Gavel raps once)

The 118th Annual Meeting will resume on Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m.

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INDIANA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
118TH ANNUAL MEETING – MAY 3-4-5, 2019

Business Session 1 (Part 2) – May 4, 2019

RZ: ... gentlemen. Welcome. I'm Bob Zielinski. I'm the New Council Development and Reactivation Chairman for the Indiana State Council, the Knights of Columbus.

(Applause)

Thank you, Rick. Don't cash that until Tuesday.

It's my pleasure to act as your emcee for this event. It's not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done them better; the credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena who's face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs, who comes up short again and again because there is no effort without error and shortcoming, but who does actually strive to do the deeds, who knows grave enthusiasms, the great devotions, who spins himself in a worthy cause, who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat. These words were first spoken by our 26th President, Theodore Roosevelt, on April 23, 1910, as part of his Citizenship in a Republic speech at the Sorbonne in Paris. They're moving and quite clearly motivational words and are most certainly appropriate for this gathering because aren't we all that man or woman in the arena, whether that area is our place of employment, our own councils, or even sometimes our parishes. The individuals and councils we recognize this afternoon have all stepped into the arena during the past year. They have all expended themselves in an effort to lift up their brothers. We can all learn from the example they set as doers who strive valiantly in the enthusiastic pursuits of the Knights of Columbus. So, now we can begin.

Our first award is Financial Secretary of the Year awarded by FSA President Scot Harmeyer and it goes to Paul Nist, Monticello Council 6955.

(Applause)

Paul, you look surprised.

PN: I am surprised.

(Applause)

RZ: Our next award is the Star Council Award for the years 2017-2018. The Supreme Star Council Award is presented annually to councils that excelled in programming, membership growth and insurance growth, and those trophies are presented by the State Deputy, State Program Director, State Membership Director and they are Grand Knight Jason Sarver from Council 1542, Grand Knight Anthony S. Flannagan from Council 7235, from Council 16065 Grand Knight Mark A. – I hope I get this right, Corral; if I butcher your name, it's Paul's fault – John Sandwell from Council 16454, from

Council 738 it's Grand Knight Michael P. Finley, it's a double star, and from Council 10811 Grand Knight Alan L. Neff, also a double star.

(Applause)

Alright. The next award is the Santa Maria Award. The Santa Maria Award is presented to the Indiana State Councils that excelled in programming and membership growth. It's being presented by the State Deputy, the State Membership Director and the State Program Director. The winners are: from Council 735 Grand Knight Michael Finley, from Council 6323 Mike DeLucenay, from Council 7235 Grand Knight Anthony S. Flannagan, from Council 10811 Grand Knight Alan L. Neff, from Council 13142 – and I hope I get this right – it's Grand Knight Andrew J. Wyss – Wyss, my apologies – from Council 13971 Grand Knight James Parmelee, excellent, and from Council 16454 Grand Knight John Sandwell.

(Applause)

Our next award is the Founders Award. The Supreme Founders Award is given to councils who achieve their net insurance membership quota. This year's recipients are from Council 451 Grand Knight Stephen Lutz, from Council 553 Grand Knight Patrick Hess, from Council 1878 Grand Knight Donald Schlunt, from Council 5521 Grand Knight Eric VanMeter, from Council 6323 Grand Knight Mike DeLucenay, from Council 8052 Grand Knight David Baker, from Council 8080 Grand Knight John Breslin, Council 11043 Grand Knight Thomas Schall, from Council 11574 Grand Knight Arthur Singleton, from Council 12486 Grand Knight Jose Guardiola, from Council 13142 Grand Knight Andrew – was it Wyss?, Council 13971 Grand Knight James Parmelee, from Council 14885 Grand Knight Joel Zapata, and from Council 16305 Grand Knight Harold – is it Ducote? Ducote? Ducote – Harold, Grand Knight Harold. Congratulations.

???: They ended up, they got Star Council. The (INAUDIBLE) Founders.

RZ: Gotcha. Ah, Trumps Founders – that's what I found out. Trumps was the wrong word, but you know what I'm talking about. You know we're a men's organization because none of these guys can follow direction, or will stop for directions. There we go. The ladies appreciated that, I know.

(Applause)

Alright. Our next award is the Gibault 5 Star We Care Awards and it's being presented by Patty and our State Deputy and the recipients are: St. Mother Theodore Guerin Council 541 in Terre Haute, St. Paul the Apostle Council 560 in Muncie, Hail Holy Queen Council 656 in Kokomo, Father Gibault Council 712 in Vincennes, St. Christopher Council 1265 in Tipton, Father August Young Council 1790 in Garrett, Father Ryan Council 6679 in Linton, St. John Newman Council 6955 in Monticello, Our Lady of the Lakes Council 7053 in Angola, Newburgh Council 8746 in Newburgh, Our Lady of Sorrows Council 12149 in Valparaiso – or do you say Valparaiso?, Bishop George A. Fulcher Council 12387 in Carmel, and St. Theresa Benedicta of the Cross Council 1482 in Lawrenceburg.

(Applause)

PZ: Would you like fries with that?

Such a serious group.

Alright. Our next award is the Pinta Award. The Pinta Award is presented annually by the State Council. The Supreme Columbian Award is presented annually by the State Council, as well. The certificates are being presented by the State Deputy and the State Program Director. The winners of the Pinta Award: Council 1010 Grand Knight Roger Reuss, Council 1014 is Grand Knight David A. Bowman, Council 6923 Grand Knight John Bowman, oh Baughman, I'm sorry, Council 7431 Grand Knight Larry Janeczek, Council 7839 is Grand Knight Michael J. Fitzgibbon, Council 8052 Grand Knight David G. Baker, Council 9696 Grand Knight Michael Ilko – thank you; I remember my first beer – Council 16008 Grand Knight Robert W. Mikuly. And those are the Pinta Award winners.

(Applause)

Alright. The Columbian Award; Grand Knights for the Columbian Award, if you guys can come up. From Council 11 – or you can start coming up. Council 1172 Grand Knight Ryan Borden, Council 1790 Grand Knight Joseph Kashmer, Council 4511 Grand Knight Matthew Frye, Council 5521 Grand Knight Eric VanMeter, Council 7431 Grand Knight Larry Janeczek, Council 7838 Grand Knight Michael Fitzgibbon, Council 9996 Grand Knight Michael Ilko, Council 11044 Grand Knight David Pauly, Council 12387 Grand Knight Chet Brandon, Council 12510 Grand Knight Mark Whitlock, Council 13003 Grand Knight William Berrier, Council 15058 Grand Knight Mark Bently, and from Council 16008 Grand Knight Robert W. Mikuly.

(Applause)

Alright. Our next awards are Faith in Action Awards, and come on up when I read your name. The Faith in Action Plaques are presented to councils that complete a Spiritual Reflection, Novena for Life, Helping Hands, Consecration to Holy Family, and Helping Hands program this year. Council 3631 Marquette, Council 5521 Ave Maria, Council 6323 Father Pitka, Council 7431 St. Thomas Moore, Council 10811 Good Shepherd, Council 11165 Rockport, Council 12379 St. Joseph Hessen Cassel, Council 12510 Our Lady of Perpetual Health, Council 14214 Father Dominic Duehmig, Council 14895 St. Luke the Evangelist, Council 16008 St. Pope John Paul II, and Council 16305 St. Francis and Clare.

(Applause)

And this handy reminder, sometimes it's best to bring a box. I'm just saying. You come with nothing and your car is loaded by the time you leave.

Thank you, gentlemen.

As we move on, our Faith Program recognition, the Support Our Seminarians program, or SOS, was started 25 years ago by Vocations Chairman, Tony Muffoletto, and provide each diocesan seminarian a check in November. Certificates are being presented by our State Deputy, the Faith Director and Vocations Chairman. The top SOS contributors: 712 out of Vincennes – do you want the amounts?, 11276 Fort Wayne,

738 Valparaiso, Council 12540 from Brownsburg, Council 3660 of Indianapolis, Council 451 from Fort Wayne, Council 11044 from Carmel, Council 3682 Indianapolis, Council 3228 Indianapolis, Council 1584 out of Jasper.

Top RSVP contributors were Council 11353 of Fort Wayne, Council 560 in Muncie, Council 12387 Carmel, Council 13003 in Merrillville, Council 12379 in Fort Wayne, Assembly 255 in Washington, Council 451 in Fort Wayne, Council 2215 in Haubstadt, Council 5521 South Bend, Council 9706 Noblesville, and Council 11044 in Carmel.

(Applause)

Thank you, gentlemen. Our next awards are for Special Olympics recognition, Special Olympics of Indiana. Plaques are being presented by the State Deputy, the Life Director, Special Olympics Indiana Coordinator, and Jeff and Stephanie from Special Olympics Indiana. Most total hours reported, but I'm waiting. Oh, I'm sorry.

???: Good afternoon. On June 6, 1969, Special Olympics Indiana was created. We were created as a sports organization for people with intellectual disabilities, but we're much more than that. And 50 years later, we're still celebrating what we do, we're looking at our past, but also focused on our future, but in biblical terms, 50 years means this is our Jubilee. In Leviticus, it talks about the Jubilee year saying every 50th year on the Day of Atonement, let the trumpets blow loud and long throughout the land, for the 50th year shall be holy, a time to proclaim liberty throughout the land. For us, at Special Olympics, this is a time for liberty for our athletes, a liberty to be themselves, a liberty to live amongst the community, not in isolation, liberty to grow, liberty to love, liberty to give back to their communities. It's because of you, the Knights of Columbus, though that we can allow athletes to have such liberty. You provided needed funds so our athletes can go to Summer Games nearly free of charge. You give us volunteers at Summer Games, and because of all that, our athletes can have such liberty. In commemoration of our 50th anniversary, we have trading pins now that are co-branded with your logo and ours.

(Applause)

And we have those outside for a small donation. But, thank you so much to the Knights of Columbus for all that you've done. You've been with us from the very beginning. Sargent Shriver, a Knights member, his wife began Special Olympics. We've been together all 50 years. And, so to thank you, we have those pins, but also, we'd like to thank the Knights and your councils and districts who have plunged with us. Across Indiana this past winter, 89 Knights members jumped into icy water raising \$45,500 for our athletes.

(Applause)

We have two awards today, and for the largest Knights of Columbus team, it's District 37, led by Council 6138. If we could have District members come up to accept your award.

(Applause)

Anybody from District 37. And also, raising the most money by a District is District 28. If someone from District 28 would come up to accept your award.

(Applause)

PZ: Are we good? Alright. Thank you. Alright. We move on to our Life Program recognition. Okay, we're going back. Oh, these councils. Oh, this was something different. Oh, okay, gotcha. Remember, everything you hear being here – everything you're hearing this afternoon is being performed by a professional. Don't attempt it at home.

Alright. Most total hours from the councils, most total hours reported for Council 580 in Richmond, Council 6138 in Greenwood, Indiana, Council 10596 Munster, Council 10257 Booneville, Council 14895 in Indianapolis, Council 16305 in Greenwood, Council 12387 in Carmel, Council 3433 in Indianapolis, Council 7431 Mooresville, Council 1042 in Greensburg.

So, I say your name, you come up to the stage, okay? Welcome to aerobics with the K of C. Where's Mike Haven? Mike, are you here? He's not here. Come on down. Here you go. So, a horse walks into a bar and the bartender says why the long face? Didn't know there was going to be a floorshow, did you? We're taking the show on the road, by the way, where we'll be premiering in Hoboken. You know Hoboken, New Jersey, you know what I'm saying. Forget about it. Hey, we'll take -- you guys, it's taken care of. Who? What was I thinking? Are we moving on here to the Polar Plunge? We did that already; of course, we did.

Alright, moving on. The Life Program recognition. It's a live show, could you tell? The O'Rourke Tootsie Roll Drive for the intellectually disabled citizens is named for Past State Deputy Thomas F. O'Rourke from the Griffin Council 3631 from 1978 to 1980. Indiana State Council has purchased 22 ultrasounds – wow – and the certificate's being presented by State Deputy and the Life Director. When I read – are they coming up? Alright. So, when I read your council, you come up to the stage. Alright, we're good.

Alright. Council 12387 from Carmel, come on down, Council 1166 Bedford, Council 4511 from Warsaw, Council 1591 from Crawfordsville, Council 1250 from Brownsburg, Council 1461 in Batesville, Council 1231 Lawrenceburg, Council 1542 LaPorte, Council 738 Valparaiso, or Paraiso, Council 1131 from Princeton, the city, not the school, Council 12951 from Michigan City. The top 10 or the Tootsie Roll Drives.

(Applause)

We now move along to our top Ultrasound Initiative contributors. I read your council, you come to the stage. 16305 of Greenwood, Indiana, Council 12387 Carmel, Council 10811 from Merrillville, Council 6138 from Greenwood, Council 3682 Indianapolis, Council 1977, another good year, from Delphi, Council 7431 Mooresville, Council 3228 Indianapolis, Council 3660 Indianapolis, Council 1347 Hobart, and Council 7473 also Hobart, Indiana.

(Applause)

These are our top Ultrasound Initiative contributors. 6138 Greenwood, they're here, I called them. Thank you, sir. Carry on. Thank you, gentlemen.

(Applause)

Alright. Top contributor to Safe Haven Baby Box, certificate presented by the State Deputy, the Life Director and Safe Haven Baby Box founder Monica Kelsey. And the recipient is Council 1631, the Grand Knight is Daniel Gadd.

(Applause)

Who are you looking for, Daniel? Ron Doxy? Don't be shy. Tell them what they've won Johnny. No one remembers. Alright. Outstanding.

(Applause)

Moving on to our Community Program recognition. Plaques being presented by the State Deputy and our Community Director. Blood Drive – top Blood Drive or Platelet Drive, Council 712 Vincennes. Come on up. Council 5929 from Chesterton, Council 8746 from Newburgh, Council 1347 Hobart, Council 1131 from Princeton, Council 451 Fort Wayne, Council 1166 from Bedford, Council 14862 in Lawrenceburg, Council 7839 Kendallville, and Council 14895 Indianapolis.

(Applause)

Safe to say they're driven – see it's a blood drive. Tip your waiters and waitresses; try the veal. Yeah, I did.

Alright. The Nina Award. The Nina Award is presented annually by the State Council. Certificates being presented by our State Deputy and the State Membership Director. Council 1010 Grand Knight Roger Reuss, Council 1014 Grand Knight David A. Bowman – come on up guys – Council 6923 Grand Knight John Baughman, Council 7431 Grand Knight Larry Janeczek, Council 7839 Grand Knight Michael J. Fitzgibbon, Council 8052 Grand Knight David G. Baker, Council 9696 Grand Knight Michael Ilko, and Council 16008 Grand Knight Robert W. Mikuly.

(Applause)

Thank you, gentlemen. The Father McGivney Award. The Father McGivney Award presented annually to councils that achieve their net membership quota. Council 451, Council 1265, you know who you are, Council 1477, Council 1790, Council 1977, Council 5584, Council 6323, Council 9269, Council 9706, Council 11043, Council 12177, Council 12417, Council 13142, Council 504, Council 850, 850, 8-5-0, Council 971, Council 14449, Council 885, Council 15058, Council 15144, Council 15712, Council 15777, Council 15859, Council 16260, Council 16305, Council 16396, Council 440, Council 16454, Council 466, and Council 945.

(Applause)

Gentlemen, the tribe has spoken. Nobody watches *Survivor*? I got nothing.

Alright. Moving on to our Membership Fast Start.

First 10-50% Net Membership before October 1st of 2018: Council 7544 Grand Knight Raymond O. Kanipe, gotcha, Ray, come on up, Council 12951 Grand Knight John Wolsiefer, Council 16396 Grand Knight David Masanz, David, come on up. Also,

Councils 451, 6989, 7235, 13504, 14582, 16065, 16954, and 17043 – sold to the man in the red tie in the – Bingo! Thank you, yeah. And the Oscar goes to. You good, Bob?

(Applause)

Alright. Thank you, gentlemen. For the 5-75% Net Membership before December 1st of 2018: Council 541 Grand Knight Greg W. Sult, Jr., Council 13504 Grand Knight Thomas A. Zuzzio, bless you – no, I apologize, I apologize, Council 17043 Grand Knight Richard C. Alexander, also Council 6989, 7235, and 14582.

(Applause)

Alright. The first 5-100% Net Membership before January 1st of 2019: Council 1477 Grand Knight James Ryan, Council 7235 Grand Knight Anthony S. Flanagan, Council 14582 Grand Knight Richard Bayley, Council 16065 Grand Knight Mark Corral, is it Corral or Corral?, Council 6955 Grand Knight Tim Kreke, and there you have it.

Smiles everyone.

(Applause)

First, first to 200% Net Membership: there he is – Council 6989 Grand Knight Martin E. Romer.

(Applause)

Alright. Now we move on to our Top Recruiter recognition. Top Recruiters for the March 2018 through February 29th period are being recognized. Council 553 from South Bend District Deputy Rick Burmeister, Council 12510 Zionsville Patrick E. Terrell, Council 2215 Haubstadt Bradley W. Schmitt Grand Knight, Council 1584 Jasper, Indiana, Chad Lueken, Council 15859 Bloomington Robert Karpinski, Council 11043 Fort Wayne Steven Karapantos, Council 14724 Indianapolis Juan Carlos Olivera, Council 1265 Tipton Jonathan Tebbe, Council 6323 Syracuse Michael DeLucenay, Council 1477 Notre Dame Kevin Angell, and Council 3660 of Indianapolis Scott Crossen.

(Applause)

We're saving it. I started, see, you can't surprise anybody, right. It's all there. It's just like gee! I wonder who the number one recruiter was. I'm going to guess – do you want him up here now or separately?

The number one recruiter – you want Bob up here now? Sure. The number one recruiter from Council 13105 in Indianapolis Bob Kelly.

(Applause)

Surprise! Run, Frank, run. Just so you know, I'm not doing mouth-to-mouth. I love you, man, but that ain't going to happen. You're on your own.

And that, in order to get you out early, is 15935. That's what I'm talking about. That concludes our program. Thank you.

(Applause)

(END OF RECORDING)

INDIANA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
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PZ: Worthy State Warden, do you vouch that everyone present is in possession of a current membership card in the Third Degree?

WM: Worthy State Deputy, I do so vouch.

PZ: Thank you.

Alright. Good morning. Please turn off all cellphones or silence them and all electronic devices. The 118th Annual Meeting of the Indiana Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus is back in session. Welcome to the Sunday Morning Business Session. Thank you for coming to order.

The Chair calls to the podium State Secretary, Craig Hanusin, for the purposes of a Roll Call. Worthy State Secretary.

CH: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

Okay. As we did yesterday, I'm going to ask all the DDs to come to the center aisle from District 1 to District 39, and again, to remind all the District Deputies, for your Roll Call, the members actually have to be present in this chamber at this time.

Okay, gentlemen, if I could have quiet.

Worthy Acting District Deputy, Jesse Guidiana (SPELLING???) for District 1, what is your count today?

JG: Today, we have five delegates.

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 2, David Negrete, how many delegates present?

DN: Worthy State Secretary, I have eight present this morning.

CH: Okay. David, David, where are you? Oh, what's your variance? You had nine yesterday; I just need to know where your variance is.

DN: I'm missing one (INAUDIBLE). 8080, Council 8080.

CH: Okay, thank you, because when do mileage and per diem checks, I need to know which council.

DN: Not mine. (Laughter)

?: I'll take theirs though.

CH: Worthy District Deputy 3, Alan Neff, how many delegates present today?

AN: Worthy State Secretary, we have three.

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 4, Mike Havens, how many delegates present today?

??: We have six.

CH: Okay. You're missing a District Deputy. And your name is?

??: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Is Mike here today, or did he have to leave?

??: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Okay, well thank you. Thank you for reporting the count. Worthy District Deputy 5, Mike Kovacs, how many delegates present today.

MK: Worthy State Secretary, we do have seven present.

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 6, Tom Root, how many delegates present?

TR: Worthy State, we have six.

CH: Six. Worthy District Deputy 7, Ray Borkowski, how many delegates present?

RB: Worthy State Secretary, we have two delegates present.

CH: Thank you kindly. Worthy District Deputy 9, Dan Hampton, how many delegates present?

DH: Good morning Worthy Secretary. We have five, a total of five.

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 10, Rick Burmeister, how many delegates present?

RB: (INAUDIBLE) Secretary, we have three present. (INAUDIBLE) on their way home.

CH: Thank you. Three, right?

RB: Three, correct.

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 11, Mike Huzar, how many delegates present today?

MH: Worthy State Secretary, I have one.

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 12, John Kessen, how many delegates present?

JK: We have six.

CH: Six delegates. Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 13, Jerry Hake, how many delegates present?

JH: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Not. You guys bring a smile to my face.

??: Happy to see you.

JH: There you go. Nobody likes me. I have zero.

CH: Okay. Worthy Acting District Deputy 14, Ed Waldschmidt, how many delegates present?

EW: Two present and have two (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 15, Michael Follis, how many delegates present today?

MF: We have three.

CH: Three?

MF: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Okay. Two from 12379, yourself for 13142 for a total of three?

MF: Right.

CH: Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 16, Dirk Wiener – quiet please.

DW: We have one delegate here today.

CH: One delegate. Okay. We need to go through that. Yes, and I'm sorry to hear about that, so our prayers are with them. Can you just go over your...?

DW: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Is the one delegate? Okay, alright. Worthy District Deputy 17, Dave Doran, how many delegates?

DD: I have two delegates present today.

CH: Okay.

DD: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Okay, so 8056, no delegates?

DD: No delegates.

CH: Okay. Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 18, Jeff Emminger, how many delegates?

JE: District 18 has three delegates present.

CH: Okay, we need to go over that count.

JE: One for 437...

CH: Hold on. One from 437, okay.

JE: Zero for 3228 and two from (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Okay, thank you. Worthy District Deputy, Jeff Young, District 19.

JY: Worthy State Secretary, I have three total – two from Council 1014, one from Council 2957, and zero from 16440.

CH: Okay, thank you. Worthy District Deputy 20, Jim Carnes (SPELLING???).

JC: I have two.

CH: Two delegates. Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 21, Ted Shay.

TS: Worthy State Secretary, I have five delegates – I'm missing one from (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Okay. Okay, so a total of five and you just have one from your Brownsburg Council, correct? Right, oh. Oh, okay. I got it, I got it. Never mind. Right, right, right, okay. So, 12540 is zero. Okay. Thank you, thank you. That's good. Fine. Okay. Worthy District Deputy 22, Jeff Paulson.

JP: We have two from 9706 (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Hold on. What's your total delegate count today?

JP: Four.

CH: Four, alright. Alright, go ahead with your...

JP: Two from 9706, one from 6923, and one from 12387.

CH: Okay. So, your variances are in 6923 and 11044. You just have one each in those Districts, right?

JP: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Okay. 12387 you have one delegate, in 6923 you have one delegate today, yeah, for a total of four. Alright, hold on. Gentlemen, quiet. I need to get this.

(Raps gavel once)

Thank you.

I did not go deaf, but thank you.

Alright, four. So, we have three to account for that aren't here. So, again, repeat. 6923 has how many delegates?

JP: One.

CH: One, okay. 9706 is how many delegates?

JP: Two.

CH: 11044?

JP: Zero. Okay, I'm sorry, we've got five now.

CH: Okay, 11044 has how many?

JP: One.

CH: Okay, so your count is five?

JP: Yeah.

CH: Thank you, it's good. Worthy Acting District Deputy 23, Greg Thorpe (??? – didn't say last name) – thank you for doing that again today. Hold on. Thank you for fulfilling the role Greg, Worthy Grand Knight Greg Thorpe (???), and hold on as I get back. How many delegates do you have present today for District 23?

GT: We have three.

CH: Okay.

GT: Two from 14895...

CH: Okay.

GT: ... and one from 15437.

CH: Okay. You had two from 14895 and you had one...

GT: 15437.

CH: Okay. Okay. So, two from 14895, one from 15437, total three.

GT: Yes.

CH: Thank you. Worthy DD 24, Michael Lewis.

ML: I have three.

CH: You have three delegates today. Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 25, Donnie Miller, how many delegates?

DM: Worthy State Secretary, I have six.

CH: Hey, great! Early risers; appreciate that. Worthy District Deputy 26, George Knezevich, how many delegates present?

GK: We have four.

CH: Four delegates. Okay, we need to go through those counts. Okay, 541 has how many?

GK: Two.

CH: Two. 4377?

GK: Two.

CH: Two. And 9441?

GK: Zero.

CH: Zero. Okay, thank you.

GK: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Worthy District Deputy 27, Kevin O'Farrell, how many delegates?

CH: Duo.

CH: Dos. Grazie. Worthy District Deputy 28, Roger Reuss.

RR: All nine are present in the chambers.

CH: Fantastic. Thank you. Worthy Acting District Deputy 29, and your name is?

BS: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Ben Scott? Okay. You have two delegates. Thank you. That's good. Worthy Acting District Deputy 30 today, and, alright, who's representing District 30 today? I know Dan Megel wasn't able to be here today. So...

??: (INAUDIBLE) here?

CH: No.

??: Jim Torline (SPELLING??) is here for Council.

??: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Okay. Alright, I just want to, so Dan is not here today, Dan Gadd Grand Knight, is not here. Jim, you're here, and what about Mike, Grand Knight Mike Pedilla (SPELLING???)

JT: Not here.

CH: Not here. Thank you. So, I have a total – zero, yourself – so District 30 has a total of one. Thank you. Worthy DD 31, Phil Perry.

PP: Worthy State Secretary, (INAUDIBLE) has five delegates.

CH: Okay, thank you. Very good. Worthy District Deputy 32, Joe Buechlein, how many delegates?

JB: Six delegates (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Six, thank you. Worthy District Deputy 33, Allan Stockinger, how many delegates present?

AS: Worthy State Secretary, eight people. Same as yesterday, from Evansville.

CH: Good, and...

AS: And we're glad to be here. Vivat Jesus.

?: Vivat Jesus.

CH: Yes. And Allan was a participant in the Race for Vocations yesterday. He's a great runner. So, thank you for that.

(Applause)

CH: Worthy District Deputy 34, Tom Campbell, how many delegates present?

TC: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Five? Five. Good. Worthy District Deputy, Joe Haneke (SPELLING???) is a good friend. How many delegates present?

JH: Six.

CH: Six delegates. Bravo! Worthy District Deputy 36, Darren Sroufe, how many delegates present?

DS: We have four.

CH: Four. Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 37, Bill Sherman, how many delegates present today?

WS: Six.

CH: Six delegates – hold on. We had seven yesterday. Where's the missing delegate today?

WS: He'll be here a little later, but he's here. (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Okay, but what Council?

WS: Oh, I'm sorry. What's that last (INAUDIBLE)?

CH: 3660, how many do you have?

WS: Two.

CH: Two. 6138 you have?

WS: Two.

CH: Two. 16305?

WS: Two.

CH: Two. And then your variance is 16466; he's not here present, yeah, okay. Alright, thank you. Worthy District Deputy 38, John Jones.

JJ: We have four today.

CH: Okay, hold on.

JJ: Council 1977 (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Okay. Thank you. Worthy District Deputy 39, Mark Chatterson, how many present today?

MC: Five.

CH: Five delegates present. That matches; thank you. Yes, Worthy District Deputy 18?

JE: Worthy State Secretary, we had one late arrival. He's here now. (INAUDIBLE)

CH: Yes, thank you. Our State Deputy said we're doing Roll Call, so we're still in the process. So, hold on. Okay, what, the delegate who came, what council?

JE: 3228.

CH: Okay. So, I'm adjusting the count. So, they have one delegate now and your total is four, correct?

JE: Correct.

CH: Thank you. Yes, Worthy District Deputy Kevin Large, District 8?

KL: Worth State Secretary.

CH: Yes.

KL: Still at zero delegates, but your (INAUDIBLE).

CH: That's great, and again, his council celebrated their 100th anniversary yesterday, and Kevin, when he registered, he could have registered as a delegate for his council. So, just to let District Deputies know, you can register; we just need the certificate of credential, and sorry they weren't present, but...

KL: Appreciate that information at the local level.

CH: Right.

KL: Also, if I can say that Rochester would have been here but (INAUDIBLE).

CH: Yeah. They've been a strong supporter, Rochester Council. Thank you.

Worthy State Deputy, that completes the Roll Call today. Let me just report to everybody what our total count is – we had 105 councils present for Roll Call yesterday and our total count was 187; today we have 158 delegates present.

??: Does that count include for the purpose of ballot counting the State Officers?

CH: Thank you, Worthy Past State Deputy Scott. We will now do a Roll Call of our State Officers who by our Bylaws are delegates. So, I will, Worthy State Treasurer, will you do the recording on this?

CH: Worthy State Deputy, Paul Zielinski.

PZ: Present.

CH: Worthy State Secretary, Craig Hanusin, present.

Worthy State Treasurer, Scott Schutte.

SS: Present.

CH: Worthy State Advocate, Gil Spisak.

GS: Present.

CH: Worthy State Chaplain, Father Douglas Hunter.

??: Excused.

CH: Worthy State Associate Chaplain, Father Mick Kopil.

MK: Present.

CH: Worthy State Warden, Bill McDonald.

WM: Present.

CH: Immediate Past State Deputy, Martin McCoy, Jr.

MM: A forgotten name.

CH: You're not forgotten. You're never forgotten.

??: Present, but forgotten.

CH: Okay. Alright, hold on. Okay, we have seven State Officers present, so our total today Worthy Brothers, is 165 voting delegates. Thank you all.

And, as Paul said, we had 105 councils yesterday represented and I'll have to – obviously we had a variance. He's got a little bit of a big variance.

PZ: Thank you Worthy State Secretary. Now the Chair calls on State Secretary, Craig Hanusin, for the Report from yesterday, and this is the Report of the General Account and it's in the Convention Booklet.

CH: Thank you Worthy State Deputy.

Worthy State Associate Chaplain and Brothers All. The State general account primarily exists for two reasons – to collect State per capita from subordinate councils in order to operate and to pay expenses incurred during the fraternal year in order to function.

If you turn to page 37 of your State Convention Booklet now, we have our State General Account Unaudited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for the period ending February 28, 2019, as we have had last year. Our bank account balance includes our checking account with Chase Bank and a \$10,000 CD at 5th Third Bank, totaling \$152,732. Total assets were \$214,277 which equaled total liabilities and equity. After the end of every month, I do a monthly reconciliation of the General Account and Quick Books, and every month it has balanced, since the beginning of this fraternal year on July 1st, my first year as your State Secretary. The General Account Profit and Loss Statement begins on page 39. Please note that total per capita income amounts of \$258,699. State per capita was billed last July 2018 with \$5 per regular member for Gibault, our number one charity, and \$7 per regular member for the operation of the State Council. Each council is billed \$10 per new member to defray the cost of their advancement through the Second and Third Degrees, which goes into a dedicated Degree Fund for New Members account. This covers the cost of Degree Team travel and expenses, along with the cost of medallions.

I want to provide an update on these three accounts as of today, May 5th, the State Council assessment collected from the State per capita is \$173,366. The Degree Fund for New Members income is \$10,025, which some of the proceeds have been used to purchase a new wireless microphone and 10 receiver units, which our State Deputy, Paul, showed us yesterday, and which will be utilized by the Degree Teams by a translator to administer non-English degrees, and the Gibault assessment which totals \$116,321. We have cut two checks to Gibault this fraternal year to date from the assessment – \$50,585 at the Gibault Envoy Conference last September 8th, and the second check we presented to Gibault for the Gibault Per Capita was \$27,476 at our State Mid-Year Meeting on December 8th. Today, our final check will be presented during the Parade of Checks and I'm happy to report, on behalf of all of you, we're going to be presenting Patty Stiegelbauer a check for \$38,260.

(Applause)

Thank you. I was going to say, please give yourselves a big pat on the back for making such a profound impact in the lives of the children we serve.

The General Account contains many subaccounts which detail the cost expenditures or running the State Council, with the State Convention being the costliest expense. To date, State Convention receipts totaled – now, this is the income from registration and purchasing a meal – the receipts, and this is before this weekend, we did receive late registration fees, but before coming this weekend, Convention income receipts totaled \$34,295. It's not in your book, but I'm just letting you know.

State Council operation expenses on the Profit and Loss as of the end of February, totaled \$46,918, and each year, with the price of staging a State Convention rising, the delegates at last year's 117th State Convention adopted a State Resolution to increase State per capita \$1 per regular member to \$8, which was approved by our Supreme Board of Directors late last summer. The last increase in State per capita for the State Council operations occurred over 10 years ago. When I billed each council State per capita the second week – oh, when I bill for this next – so, when I bill each council State per capita the second week this upcoming July, based on your membership roster, as of July 1st, you will see the increase. When I invoiced each council last year, I stated such about the increase in per capita preparing them for the increase assessment. We are asking councils make quarterly payments beginning of October, the beginning of three equal installments – I think it's in our Bylaws, mid-year and then your last payment by April 1st, which is in our Bylaws that it needs to be received by, in order to be seated as delegates at the State Convention.

And, finally, I urge each council, for our upcoming fraternal year, our State Directory, which is mailed to each council, is our lifeblood and our communication resource and especially myself and our State Treasurer, Scott, use that to do mailings and to communicate. So, I urge each council and I urge each of our District Deputies in here, once we start the new fraternal year, please take time to visit each of your councils, give them the information after the election for your Grand Knight, your Financial Secretary, and who your State Chaplain is, and report that to our Administrative Assistant, admin@indianakofc.org. Rich Laudeman is taking over and, again, I want to thank Brad Sewell for his outstanding service. He now has a job, a dream job in Michigan, but I want to thank Brad for being here and bringing Rich along the way. So, thank you, Brad.

(Applause)

And, new this year on the Team Drive, Brad has posted the State Directory on the Team Drive so you're able, through your Gmail Officer account, to go in and see the State Directory online, which is a valuable resource. So, what I'm asking, by our State Bylaws, we have to have the information, well, the Directory published by September 1st. It doesn't exactly work as fast or as quick as we'd like it to. So, the sooner you can get the information to us, the sooner we can publish that State Directory. Thank you.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Secretary.

The Chair now recognizes State Treasurer, Scott Schutte, for his Report. Worthy State Treasurer.

SS: Worthy Associate Chaplain, Worthy Supreme Representative, Worthy State Officers, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy District Deputies, Council Delegates, Brothers All.

I'm going to try to keep my remarks short so we can try to stay on time with the changes. My report will cover the State Charity account, which is at 5th Third Bank. If you turn to page 42 of the Convention Booklet, you will find the audit of our 2017-2018 Financial Statements by Petro Lemius Visen and Caine (SPELLING???) – that's a tongue twister there. The audit did not find any discrepancies or issues with the financial statements that covered both the charity and the general account for here at the State Council. The State Charity Account balance sheet can be found on page 34 and covers the fiscal year from July 1, 2018 through February of this year. This is unaudited and shows that the

Charity Account is properly balanced. As with Craig, each month I reconcile and make sure that everything is current and accurate. On page 36, you will find the Profit and Loss Report of the unaudited Charity Account statement for that same account. Please note that this report shows that we have received \$222,108.26 in donations during the first eight months of the fiscal year, and then we've paid out \$251,042.21 in donations at the various charities that we support. This includes – let me make sure I got the right number here - \$120,937 for the intellectually challenged programs, which includes Special Olympics, \$47,250 in distributions to our seminarians, primarily through the SOS program, and \$25,494 for ultrasound disbursements – that's the purchase of the first ultrasound this year. We're currently preparing to provide a second ultrasound this year. So, distribution for that program will likely double before the end of the year. Please note that the Statement shows a loss of \$29,033.95 for the year. That is going to change significantly after the Convention, as we received a large number of donations for the Support our Seminarians program, and that is kind of where that money was tied up. I commend you all for your efforts to raise money for these programs. I encourage you all to continue efforts. Please remember, this is our 50th year of working with Special Olympics. We will have a group of volunteers at the Summer Games. I hope that many of you step up or get members of your council to be there and celebrate that. Chris Hodel (SPELLING???) to the initiative yesterday to have a Tootsie Roll Drive and raise \$292 through that effort. So, thank you, Chris, for doing that.

(Applause)

As I said, I saw a large number of checks for the SOS donations and I look forward to reviewing all of those from this weekend. Please see Ed Waldschmidt regarding the thank-you notes. They are so touching. Okay. We've received a number from the seminarians. They truly appreciate our support, whether it's the money or just our prayers and thank-yous for being there. The church needs more priests, so support the seminarians. Please, evaluate the list of programs that your council is supporting in charity and look at what's on that list in the Profit and Loss Statement. Those are all charities that we have accounts for. If your council is not involved in those, consider doing so. Let's continue to make our charitable giving and make that impact on the world. If you have any questions regarding the Charity Account, please see me this weekend or email me and I will do my best to answer your question. Vivat Jesus. Worthy State Deputy, that ends my report.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Treasurer.

That takes care of our two reports that we didn't get to yesterday. Starting with our reports for today, the Chair calls State Secretary and your 2019 Convention Chairman, Craig Hanusin, for the Report of the Credentials Committee.

CH: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

If the members of the Committee, we met at 3 PM yesterday in Salon E, Worthy Grand Knights Peter Magano (SPELLING???) from 726, please stand. Grand Knight Steve Byerly from Council 1221 in New Albany, Justin Klum (SPELLING???) from 2215 – Justin, where's that's Council at again?

JK: Haubstadt.

CH: What's that?

JK: Haubstadt.

CH: Haubstadt, yes. David Frees from Council 4377 – you're from Brazil, right?

DF: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: ... and Mike Glazer – this is his first Convention – from 16454. Mike? Yes. And where's that Council again, Mike?

MG: Mount Vernon.

CH: Mount Vernon. Bravo. So, we met and we reviewed – you can go ahead and sit down, but thank you – we met and reviewed all the credentials. I explained the process about Roll Call, how we had to have that Certificate of Credential and per our Bylaws, each council will receive a check post-Convention based on the Roll Call for each delegate. They will get \$25 per day plus their mileage to and from the State Convention based on the State mileage chart. We went through, I told them about, we had a couple Certificate of Credentials that needed Council seals which were brought here and taken care of. There were no gross irregularities with the delegate count, and anything that had come in or if there was any question, I would communicate with the council, as far as the Grand Knight or the Financial Secretary, and then I would review it with our State Deputy. That concludes my report and thank you again Committee members.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Secretary.

It was brought to my attention by our Parliamentarian that we should have had motions here to accept these reports. So, what I'd ask for now, I will entertain a motion to accept the report of the State Secretary, his State Secretary Convention Report, and the Report of his Credentials Committee.

PP So moved.

PZ: Okay, who is that?

PP Phil Perry (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: Phil Perry, your council?

PP: 1131

PZ: 1131, okay. Is there a second?

?: Second.

PZ: Okay, who was?

?: Tom Rayburn (SPELLING???)

?: Rayburn (SPELLING???), (INAUDIBLE) 10 Council 553.

PZ: 553, Phil Burmeister seconds it. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: All those opposed, say no.

(Gavel raps once)

Motion is approved.

Now, the Chair calls on State Treasurer Scott Schutte for the Report of the Mileage and Per Diem Committee.

SS: Worthy State Deputy.

On May 4th, the Mileage and Per Diem Committee, consisting of Ron Hillman Council 656, Bill Ulrich Council 2111, Ed Kozart (SPELLING???) Council 8052, William Parnell Council 12149, and Mike Hanlon Council 12510 – gentlemen, please stand up. Thank you all for your service. We appreciate it.

We met slightly after 3:00 yesterday. We had to wait for the training session to get out of Salon A to review the Mileage and Per Diem tables found in your Convention Booklet on pages 17 through 21. We reviewed the changes to that table which included updates for the new and reactivated councils – St. Therese Martin of South Bend 17043 and St. Isidore of Bristow 17069. The Committee reviewed those tables and approved the records. This concludes my report of the Mileage and Per Diem Committee. Thank you again gentlemen for your help.

PZ: Thank you, Worth State Treasurer.

Now, the Chair will entertain a motion to accept the Report of the State Treasurer and the Report of the Mileage and Per Diem Committee.

TR: So moved.

PZ: Tom Root?

TR: 12951.

PZ: Tom Root, 12951. Okay. And is there a second?

TC: Second.

PZ: Jim Carnes.

TC: Jim Carnes, Council 560.

PZ: 560, Jim Carnes seconds the motion. Is there any discussion? All those in favor say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: All those opposed say no.

(Gavel raps once)

The motion is approved.

Just for information, as we go through the, we're getting to the voting later on today and stuff, it'd probably be best if people doing the motion would come forward to the lower podium here so we can hear the name, and most importantly, get it recorded correctly for the records, okay? So, any motions really. Any motions, come forward, state your name in the mike and the second.

Now, other piece of information for today – doing on time? We're doing really well, doing really well. There's information from yesterday that was not collected during our Awards Ceremony, it's, it's around the outside of the room here. There's a lot of Certificates to be picked up, a lot of holy water bottles, holy water – make sure you take the holy water and the card that goes with it, take that to your councils. District Deputies, take it to the councils who weren't here today. There's also information on the side over here from the Officers Meeting, some information that you can pick up, Officers Training Session. Good things. All around – it's all around the room. So, as we take our coffee break, about 10:00, take a walk around the room. Make sure you walk around the room before you leave. I want to thank all the councils. Just taking a look around the room at all these banners you brought in – outstanding; I really like it. We'll do that again next year too. We'll have all you councils bring your banners in. Thank you for doing that. Makes it look like a Knights of Columbus hall.

(Applause)

Other items I have here that are hanging out there to be addressed. One point that came up, and several people mentioned it to me and it's important. I want you to, maybe you picked up on it too. When we were doing the Pledge of Allegiance, you may have heard some people amending it as they say the Pledge of Allegiance, you know. The thing is, we're all very prolife. Indiana is a very, very prolife state. We're doing a lot of great work, we all want to save babies, we want to see the end of this scourge of abortion, you know, but it's important though, as patriots, it's to respect our country. The thing that unites us in this country is having a common pledge and a common flag. So, as an act of unity, we should just say the Pledge as it is approved. We're not allowed to add words to it and we're not allowed to delete words from it. You know, some people want to take out the words "under God" from the Pledge, you know, it's not allowed. We're citizen of the U.S., we pledge allegiance to this country. So, it's very important that we keep it that way. And with regards to this other groups being added onto the Pledge, well, when you say born and unborn, you're implying there's a difference, and by our Catholic social teachings, as we heard from the Archbishop yesterday, life is sacred from conception until natural death, okay. All life is sacred. So, if you start dividing it up and saying well the born and the unborn, going to say the old and the young, the black and the white, the rich and the poor, you know – all means all. So, in your heart, if you want to say an extra prayer for the unborn children, they're being brutalized in America, you can do that, but when we say the Pledge, please just stop at the end and be done. Okay? Thank you.

(Applause)

At the end of today's meeting, I have several councils that have anniversaries coming up. I want to get with you councils to set up a time to present these Certificates from Supreme for your anniversaries. I'll read off the numbers now, but see me at the end of the day and we can talk about when I can present these to you. Council 11276 has just celebrated their 25th anniversary – I have their Certificate from Supreme; I was at this anniversary celebration for Council 6138 – they celebrated 50 years in February; Council 11292 celebrated 25 years in April, April 1st of this year; Council 11353 celebrated 25 years on May 1st; and Council 1975 – this is one I definitely want to be at – is on June 8th is their anniversary, their 100th anniversary of 1975.

(Applause)

However, Kevin? Where's Kevin Large, DD8? I believe I'm missing that celebration because of something else, right Kevin?

KL: (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: Yeah. Great. Let me know about that because I really want to be there. Thank you.

Another piece of information here, I want to add to it; we took care of anniversaries. There's a new initiative coming out of Supreme. Try to get more involved in social media. You guys all have cellphones, right? Everybody's got cellphones? Does everybody use Twitter and Facebook and things such as that? Okay, well, I really ought to start doing that, okay, because this is what Supreme sent me just yesterday. There's a new campaign going out – you know how they have hashtags for everything, hashtag this, hashtag that? Okay, new hashtag. It's called, the way it's done – it's hashtag i-m-a- (three letters) knight, k-n-i-g-h-t. So, hashtag imaknight campaign. Okay? So, the hashtag is imaknight, imaknight. Okay? And Supreme kicked off this social media campaign and what it wants to do is encourage all members to share a video or image of themselves on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, about how they joined the Knights. The difference their membership has made and why other men should consider joining this organization. We all have stories. Somebody asked us along the line to join the Knights and we joined for a reason and Supreme wants to hear it because we to promote it because that's what attracts other men to join. Now, I was asked by a coworker when I had moved to a new town. He said yeah, this parish that you're in, has a Knights of Columbus Council; you ought to get involved in it, and I always felt like a stranger in my parish up until that point. Once I joined the council, it didn't seem like, I didn't feel like a stranger in the parish anymore, you know, because I could see the guys in the aisles. I said oh, yeah, yeah, I saw him at the party the other day or oh, yeah, we worked on a parade float together. It starts to make the parish feel like home. So, that's what my story was, but we all have our stories. So, please, put those out there - #imaknight. Okay, thank you for that.

And now, the next thing we can get into, if I have anything else in my list of things, is, we can start to work on the Resolutions Committee Reports. So, the Chair will call on our Worthy State Advocate for the Report of the Resolutions Committee.

GS: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

Before I begin the Resolutions Committee Report, I ask that the members of the Resolutions Committee please come forward and join me on the dais during the reading of our Report. Those members are Gary Zuzolo from Council 580, Pat Cox from 4511 Council, Bob Jonas from Council 1010, Jim Prasopoulos from Council 12177, and Bill McLaughlin from Council 3228. Thank you, gentlemen, for your time on this. I'll also need to see Jim Prasopoulos just after this too because I knew you had to leave early yesterday.

Okay. The Resolutions Committee submits the following report. The Committee met Saturday, May 4th at 3 PM and reviewed each of the resolutions that has been proposed. The Committee members have thoroughly discussed all the resolutions printed in your Convention Booklet. For the sake of brevity, whenever possible, a recommendation of the Committee is expressed by the words adoption, rejection, no action, or referral to State Officers. Our procedures for considering resolutions are similar to those used at Supreme Council. I want to also point out that according to Robert's Rules of Order, a motion presented on behalf of the Committee of more than one member, such as the Resolutions Committee has, does not need a second because, since the Committee is comprised of more than one member, it assumed that if needed, someone on the Committee would also second the motion. In accordance with the established practice, when a recommendation is submitted by the Chairman on behalf of the Committee, there will be a pause, and if no objection is made at the drop of the gavel, the body agrees to follow the recommendation of the Resolutions Committee. If a delegate, State Officer, Past State Deputy, District Deputy, State Director, or State Chairman desires to speak, and according to our Bylaws in Section 15, only those Brother Knights may speak. You will be allowed to do so notwithstanding that the gavel has already been dropped. The text of the proposed resolution is found in your Convention Booklet beginning on page 66. Please note that where appropriate, adopted resolutions which refer to a specific individual will be printed and forwarded to that person. Let me go and start off here with Resolution 1.

Resolution 1 is a welcoming to Archbishop Thompson.

The Resolution is expressing our gratitude and thanks to Archbishop Thompson for what he does and his history. On recommendation for Resolution Number One, recommendation of the Committee is adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 2, Canonization of Venerable Michael J. McGivney.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 3, Support of Our Bishops.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 4, Support of Our Priests.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 5, Recognition of Deceased Brothers.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 6, State Deputy and Report.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 7, Appreciation Towards the Indiana State Family.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 8, Recognition of Our State Ladies.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 9, An Appreciation to Our Convention Chairman and Assistants.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 10, In Strong Support of the Faith in Action Program.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 11, Knights of Charity.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 12, Honoring Our Armed Forces.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 13, Amendment to State Bylaws, Section 22.

With that, the Committee offers an alternate resolution and the recommendation is the adoption of the alternate resolution. With that, let me note the changes in there. Under the now be it therefore resolved that the Indiana State Council Bylaws, Section 22 be amended as follows:

Section 22. Delete the “State Secretary shall provide a Financial Report, Profit and Loss Statement covering the current fraternal year and place it in the Convention Booklet, distribute it to the delegates” and add “The State Secretary shall prepare a Financial Report, Profit and Loss Statement of both General and Charity Accounts, as well as obtain the Charity Fund, Inc., financial reporting for the current fraternal year and place it in the Convention Booklet distributed to the delegates.” The alternate version has added the word “obtain” after “as well as” in the change, and then after Charity Fund, Inc., they added the words “financial reporting” and this was to make it more clear as far as what they were going to be putting in the Booklet in the report.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, adoption.

(Gavel raps once)

Resolution 14, Amendment to the Supreme Bylaws.

This was regarding the semiannual audit.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, rejection.

(Gavel raps once)

Worthy State Deputy, that concludes the Report of the Resolutions Committee and thank you gentlemen.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Advocate.

MK: Worthy State Deputy?

PZ: Yes.

MK I'd like to address Resolution 5 for just a moment. There was...

PZ: The Chair recognizes our Worthy State Associate Chaplain. Come to the podium.

MK: Worthy State Deputy and Brothers. On Resolution 5 where we're recognizing our deceased brothers and specifically deceased clergy from the State of Indiana, there was a Deacon who was one of our brothers from Council 12177, Deacon Edwin Gatons, who passed away this last year and I'd like to propose that his name would be added to that list of deceased clergy.

PZ: Worthy State Associate Chaplain. In memory of our deceased brothers, will you lead us in a prayer for our deceased brothers?

(Gavel raps three times)

MK: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

MK: Good and loving God, in your plan, you offered your son, Jesus Christ, to die to free us from sin and to rise to give us a hope of new life. Your sons, our brothers in the priesthood, the deaconate in our Order, offered themselves to promote the Gospel of salvation and of new life. We ask you to receive them into your loving arms, grant them a place in the heavenly resurrection. Through Christ Our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

MK: In the name of the Father, and of Son, and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PZ: Thank you. Thank you very much, Worthy State Associate Chaplain, Father Mick. It's important to remember our deceased brothers and that we have all of our priests and deacons especially included in our report.

Now then, we are moving along quite well. I really appreciate that.

WP: One word.

PZ: Point of order. The Chair recognizes Walt Payha (SPELLING???).

WP: (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: Worthy Parliamentarian, how shall we proceed?

(Discussion off mike)

Walt, would you like to make a second for that motion to amend the Resolution 5 to add the deceased deacon?

WP: Worthy State Deputy, yes, I would.

PZ: Thank you, Walt. Is there any discussion? All those in favor say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Thank you. Motion is approved.

(Gavel raps once)

Alright. Now you get me all befuddled, Walt. I have to go find my place in the book again. Let's see. I did the Report, the Resolutions, okay. We need a Report now to accept the motion of the Resolutions Committee. I need a motion.

RM: Robert Mikuly Grand Knight 16008 Highland.

PZ: 16008 Highland has the motion. Is there a second?

AS: 15437

PZ: 15437, and who just spoke?

AS: Art Sprozak (SPELLING???)

PZ: Art Sprozak (SPELLING???). Thank you for the second. Is there any discussion?

RN: Worthy State Deputy. Robert Newport Council 437.

PZ: Robert Newport Council 437.

RN: Would you clarify the Resolution that was rejected?

PZ: Right. Worthy State Advocate, please explain, elaborate on why that Resolution was rejected.

(Inaudible conversation off mike)

We're accepting the Report of the Resolutions Committee, is what we're voting on now. So, there's a question about elaborating on the reason why. We're not going to change the Resolution being rejected, it's simply to explain the why behind it.

GS: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

The Resolutions Committee, they discussed this. This was one of the longer ones that they discussed and went over. There were many items and issues in this of going to one audit per year. I know we want to cut down on paperwork, but you also have to look into the fact that they were talking about various things from Officers changing during the year and some of the incoming Officers wouldn't have some of the same info as the outgoing Officers, so they might not be up on the same page of stuff. They also felt that with the words "at least twice a year" doing the thing – that's the minimum that, you know, they want you to do, but you should be doing it more often. So, that was one of the issues and some of the items discussed was that if there is some improprieties going on, waiting a year, it could be a mess trying to find out what's going on in that and at least every six months, you're able to catch something sooner and try to, you know, nip something in the bud. It was felt more so to protect the Council from any kind of improprieties, it was more important than just reducing some paperwork was what they felt. Thank you.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Advocate. Robert, does that clear that? Good?

RN: Thank you (INAUDIBLE).

JH I would like to ask, Jerry Hake 13971, were there any financial secretaries on the Committee?

GS Were there any financial secretaries?

JH On your Committee, as far as (INAUDIBLE).

GS That, I do not know their positions. They were assigned to my Committee and they were part of the Committee.

PZ: Were there any finance secretaries on the Committee? Worthy State Secretary.

CH: Sorry. Were there – Worthy District Deputy 13 and long-time financial secretary Jerry – I only appointed to committees Grand Knights that had registered and that were delegates.

JH: Okay. That's all I needed to know.

PZ: Okay. Certainly, thank you, Jerry. So, is there any – we've had the discussion. Now, all those in favor of the motion to accept the Report of the Resolutions Committee, signify by saying – we have a Past State Deputy wants to speak?

Worthy Past State Deputy Scott Cunningham Council 12387.

SC: Very well done. It should also be pointed out...

PZ: Come to the microphone, please, sir.

SC: I would also like clarification – I am standing, thank you very much. (LAUGHTER & APPLAUSE). I would also like clarification as to whether or not, since that Resolution dealt with the role of the Trustee, were any Trustees on the Committee? Okay. Thank you.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy Past State Deputy Cunningham.

Now, all those in favor of the motion to accept the Report of the Resolutions Committee, please signify by saying yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: All opposed say no.

SOME: No.

PZ: I think the yesses have it.

(Gavel raps once)

Of course, any suggestions you guys have on how we can simplify our paperwork and minimize our paperwork throughout the year, redundancies to be eliminated, I want to hear about that because no one hate paperwork more than I do. Okay? I want to get rid of it as much as possible.

PAR: Worthy State Deputy, I have a...

PZ: The Chair recognizes our Parliamentarian for Point of Order.

PAR: I'm sad to report that we have a violation of one of our principles of Family First by one of our State Officers. Worthy State Warden, please come to the podium. We

understand today is a significant day for this couple. They are celebrating, I believe, their 35th wedding anniversary and he is not with his wife, and more importantly, he brought her to the State Convention and he's sitting on this dais. So, Worthy State Warden, I ask that you escort Immediate Past State Deputy Marty McCoy to the Ladies' Luncheon so he could apologize to his wife.

(LAUGHTER AND APPLAUSE)

PZ: The Chair recognizes Immediate Past State Deputy Marty McCoy for some comments before he goes off to make his apologies.

MM: Okay, Scott, I'm standing. It's the first pole, you know, you just pull it down. Thank you one and all. I had no idea that was in the Bylaws. I'll have to really look them over closely next time. So, Steve, thank you for bringing that to my attention. That is a new Bylaw evidently. But thank you all for the well wishes and especially to the gentleman that offered a comment that I was walking in with my granddaughter to the banquet. So, it's been a great 35 years, so I'm sure some of you out there are outdoing me as well, but thank you all and I appreciate the fraternalism. So, carry on with the meeting Paul.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you. Take him out. Take him out of here.

Okay. That was much fun, much fun.

Now, we'll proceed to the election of State Officers, Gibault Board Members, and Delegates to Supreme Convention. The Chair now calls on State Advocate to inform the delegates of the voting procedure. Worthy State Advocate.

GS: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

Section 12 of the Bylaws of the Indiana State Council states that no member may speak longer than five minutes without the permission of the Chair. Times will be kept and the State Warden will remove anyone declining to stop when asked, when he gets back. If only one candidate is nominated for a position, the Chair will call for a motion to close the nominations for that position and cast the unanimous ballot cast for that candidate. When two or more candidates are running for one position, after all nominations are made, the State Secretary will call the Roll of all delegates by calling on each district and the District Deputy will inform the State Secretary of the number of delegates in his district that are present to vote. If a number does not agree with the official Delegate Roster, the State Secretary will go council by council in the district to determine the differences. Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Advocate.

The Chair will now entertain a motion to suspend rules for the purpose of election, and in the interest of time, limit nominations to four minutes and seconds to one minute.
Motion?

ML: Mike Lewis 1461.

PZ: Mike Lewis Council 1461. Is there a second?

AP: Second. Adam Phipps Council 1591.

PZ: Adam Phipps Council 1591. Okay. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed?

(Gavel raps once)

The motion is approved.

Now then. There were no other candidates for State Office, so I ask the admins to put up the slide of State Officers. So, in the interest of time, where there were no nomination forms submitted for the State Office positions, the State Council will forego the nomination of individual State Officers, and present those Officers for election, as seen on the screen here.

State Deputy, Paul Zielinski; State Secretary, Craig Hanusin; State Treasurer, Scott Schutte; State Advocate, Gil Spisak; State Warden, William McDonald.

Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations? Are there any other nominations?

Before we continue, because of the importance of voting, when the Chair asks for a motion, please stand. If you are recognized, come up to the microphone at the lower level, state your name, office if any, and the council number so it can be recorded for our proceedings.

The Chair will now entertain a motion to close these nominations.

DN: So moved.

PZ: Dave Negrete.

DN: Dave Negrete, District Deputy, Council 3631

PZ: 3631, DD #2, Dave Negrete has the motion. Is there a second?

SM: Second.

PZ: Steve.

SM: Stephen Malone, delegate, 3631.

PZ: Come around this side. It's really sensitive.

SM: Stephen Malone, Council 3631, delegate.

PZ: Very good. Thank you, Stephen. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: All opposed say no. The motion is approved.

(Gavel raps once)

The Chair now asks the State Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for the slate of Officers for the Indiana Jurisdiction for the year 2019-2020. Worthy State Secretary.

CH: Worthy State Deputy. I, Craig Hanusin, Indiana State Secretary, do hereby cast a unanimous ballot for the Officers presented for the fraternal year 2019-2020. The motion is approved.

(Gavel raps once)

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, thank you. Brothers All, on behalf of your State Officers, we look forward to building on the momentum of this and continuing to serve you. Thank you.

Now, we'll move out to the election of the Gibault Board of Trustee Members. The Bylaws of Gibault, Inc., state that each annual meeting of the Indiana Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus, three Third Degree members will be elected to serve three-year terms on the Board of Trustees. To conduct the election of these Board members, the Chair asks Immediate Past State Deputy, the apologetic Martin F. McCoy, Jr., Gibault Chairman of the Board, to come forward to the microphone and present the candidates.

PZ: Kevin, please put up the list of delegates.

MM: Thanks. We should have pictures as well. Yeah, there they are. Okay, cool. I'm on the hook for dinner now guys. It's the least I could do, I guess.

Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

Three candidates that we have are shown on the screen. They have a short bio with them as well.

Our first, Joe Stefanich, I think, if they are in order. Joe is a Sponsor Project Specialist in the Office of Research at the University of Illinois of Chicago. He's been a member of the Gibault, Inc., Board of Trustees since 2016 and is with the K of C Monsignor Robert B. Weis Council 10596.

The next candidate is Fred Schmits. Fred is in the audience. Fred is a retired judge from Aurora. He is a member of the K of C Monsignor William Kreis Council 1231, and has served on the Gibault Board, Inc., Board of Trustees since 2012.

And lastly, but not least, Brother Roy Smith, and you'll remember part of my comments that I made last night about Gibault, Brother Roy serves as the Director of Development for the Brothers of Holy Cross, which is part of the origin that we come from there at

Gibault. He is a member of Santa Maria Council 553, and has served on the Gibault, Inc., Board from 2007 to 2017, and Brother Roy was also appointed by the Chairman as a Board Special Attendee between 2017 and 2019.

Thank you, Worthy State Deputy. These are our candidates.

PZ: Thank you. Thank you, Immediate State Deputy.

Are there any other nominations for the Gibault Board of Trustees? Are there any other nominations for the Gibault Board of Trustees? Are there any other nominations for the Gibault Board of Trustees?

Hearing none, the Chair will entertain a motion to close the nominations and have the State Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for these three nominees for the Gibault Board of Trustees. Motion?

SC: Motion. Scott Cunningham, Past State Deputy, Council 12387.

PZ: PSD Cunningham, Council 12387, has the motion. Is there a second? Second, Dave.

DD: Dave...

MM: You don't have Scott's voice, Dave.

DD: Dave Doran, District Deputy 17, member of Council 13968, I second the motion.

PZ: Thank you Dave. Is there any discussion?

VG: Worthy State Deputy.

PZ: This Chair recognizes Vince Granger.

VG: Grand Knight, Council 5084. I have a question.

PZ: Yes, sir.

VG: We were supposed to go to the microphone, but at a minimum, we should stand up to (INAUDIBLE) (LAUGHTER).

MM: Touché, Vince.

SC: Worthy State Deputy. As I've demonstrated, we're also supposed to salute our State Deputy when we address him, and I therefore personally apologize for not standing, although it's hard to tell anyway.

PZ: God bless you, Past State Deputy, Scott Cunningham.

Okay, is there any other discussion? All those in favor of the motion to elect these three men to the Gibault Board of Trustees, signify by saying yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: All those opposed say no?

(Gavel raps once)

The motion is approved.

(Applause)

Actually, I screwed up again. That was the motion for the State Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot. So, State Secretary, please cast the unanimous ballot for these three nominees.

CH: Where we at?

PZ: Right here.

CH: Great. I Craig Hanusin, State Secretary, do hereby cast the unanimous ballot for Joseph Stefanich, Fred Schmits and Brother Roy Smith for three-year terms on the Gibault Board of Trustees from 2019 to 2022.

(Gavel raps once)

(Applause)

PZ: Right on track, right on track. Thank you. Very happy.

Now, we shall conduct the election for the Supreme Convention delegates. This year, the 137th Supreme Convention is being held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, August 6th through the 8th, 2019. Each jurisdiction in the Order is allowed up to 10 delegates, based upon its membership. The Indiana Jurisdiction is entitled to 10 delegates. Section 4 of the Constitution of the Order states that the State Deputy and the last living Past State Deputy who is actually residing in the state, are delegates. The other eight delegates are to be elected. It has been a long-standing practice to elect the State Secretary to serve as a delegate to Supreme Convention in the year before he is expected to be elected State Deputy. The State Secretary has indicated his desire to attend this year's Convention as a delegate. The diocesan caucuses and Financial Secretaries' Association met yesterday and had each selected a nominee for delegate and some have selected alternates. So, I'd like the admin, at this point in time, to display the list of diocesan caucus and Financial Secretaries' Association nominees. So, they are on the screen, in addition to State Secretary, Craig Hanusin. Are they up? I think they're on the screen. Okay. Good, everybody can see those.

It should be Craig Hanusin, State Secretary; Michael Finley for the Gary Diocese; Bradley Wilson, Fort Wayne/South Bend; Jim Carnes, Lafayette; Edwin Keller, Indianapolis Archdiocese; Chris Campbell from the Evansville Diocese; and Carroll Lanning from the Financial Secretary Association, and those are all listed as being delegates.

On the alternate side, the Gary Diocese selected Alan Neff to be an alternate delegate; Fort Wayne/South Bend, Michael Beard, alternate; Lafayette Diocese selected Karl Kayser as being an alternate; and Evansville selected Phil Perry as being an alternate.

So, what we have left to fill in, gentlemen, is we have an At Large delegate and then whoever is leftover will become alternate delegates to fill in, so we have an alternate delegate for every one of those spots. The way we'll use the alternates is if a delegate drops out, first choice would be like, for instance, if the Gary Diocese, Michael Finley, would drop out, we'd choose the Gary Diocese alternate. But, for something like the Indianapolis Archdiocese, if they didn't identify an alternate, so what we will do is just use the highest voting scored At Large as the alternate. Okay? Does that make sense? So, the number one At Large will be a delegate, but then the number two At Large will be the alternate, okay, and we'll just go through those alternates in the order that they were voted on. Okay?

So, these Knights are on the screens. Thank you, guys, for your patience with the caucuses yesterday. I'm really happy to see that we're going to have good representation from across the State at the Supreme Convention.

The Chair will not entertain a motion to elect these seven brothers to serve as delegates and the alternates listed, to the Supreme Convention. If one of the, as I explained earlier, if the Diocesan (INAUDIBLE) delegates can't attend, we'll go to their alternates.

So, the Chair is asking for a motion to elect these seven brothers.

TW: So moved. I'll have to bring the mike up. Tom Wadzinski (SPELLING???), Deputy Grand Knight 3631, District 2.

PZ: 3632, and your name again?

TW: 31, Wadzinski (SPELLING???)

PZ: Tom, okay. Yes. This Chair recognizes Allan Stockinger for a second.

AS: Allan Stockinger, District Deputy 33, Council 14673. I second the motion on the floor.

PZ: Okay. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of this motion say yes; all opposed say no.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: The motion is approved.

(Gavel raps once)

The seven Knights are elected Supreme Council Delegates, and then we have a few Alternates identified.

Now, we will proceed to the election of the remaining Supreme Council Delegate. As with the election of State Officers, nomination speeches are limited to four minutes and one minute for the second.

So, I first call on Past State Deputy Scott Cunningham to come forward for the purposes of a nomination for a Supreme Council Delegate.

SC: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy.

Worthy State Associate Chaplain, Supreme Director, State Officers, District Deputies, Directors, Chairman, Grand Knights, Delegates, and Brothers All. Yesterday, our Worthy Supreme Director emphasized our need to farm leadership by demonstrating how top-heavy we were between the generations in our organization. Yes, we need to recognize and reward those years of service, but we also need to capture, foster and promote that next generation of leaders. I've had the pleasure of meeting and extraordinary young gentleman. Yes, I said young man. Sounds a little odd for me. Thankfully, I am no longer the youngest guy in the room. This young man, one month after conversion and confirmation, joined the Knights and became a leader in his council. In just a couple of years, he's become the Recorder, will become Deputy Grand Knight in July, he started a postcard campaign to invite all non-members of his parish to join, he's creating an info night to invite non-members and their families to come learn about the Council, the Knights of Columbus, and encourage membership. As a member of the RCIA team, he actively recruits newly converted Catholic gentlemen, after their confirmation, to join his Council. He is taking a Council that is on the very of the downslide of becoming dying council, to helping it turn it around and rejuvenate the membership in that council. We need to foster and grow this next gen leader. We need more like him. I am proud to nominate Jeff Hughes of Our Lady of Grace Council 9706 in Noblesville to represent his Council, my District, our Diocese and our State Council as Delegate to the 2019 Supreme Convention. Vivat Jesus.

PZ: Vivat Jesus.

(Applause)

PZ: The Chair now recognizes Walt Gillespie from Council 12387 for a one-minute second.

WG: Walter Gillespie, 12387. I rise to second the nomination of Jeff Hughes for the Supreme Council Convention. I had the duties of being his Grand Knight, as his First Degree Exemplification. He has, to me, met the what Father Hunter, our State Chaplain, said on finding your replacement. I see him as my replacement. I'm getting a little old. And he is already seeking his replacement. So, I think he's a worthy candidate. Thank you.

PZ: Thank you.

(Applause)

The Chair now calls on Ryan Borden, Council 17069. Ryan Borden, please come forward for the purpose of a nomination.

RB: Worthy Associate Chaplain, Supreme Director, State Officers, District Deputies and Brothers All. I'm here to nominate Michael Lewis as a Delegate At Large for the Supreme Convention. Michael has been the Special Olympics Chairperson for several years. Now, he is actually District Deputy and he would make a very good choice for your next Delegate for At Large for Supreme Convention, and I nominate Michael Lewis of Council 1461, Batesville.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you. The Chair now recognizes Dave Gorrell, Council 541 for a purpose of a second.

DG: I'm David Gorrell, Curator for the State. If you haven't seen the museum, do so. Michael Lewis is a very respectable DD and been doing the job for a long time. I recommend him as a Delegate to the Supreme Convention. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Dave. The Chair now recognizes DD5, Mike Kovacs from Council 9114 for the purpose of a nomination.

MK: Worthy State Assistant Chaplain, Worthy State and Supreme Officers both past and present, and our Almighty God. I'm here as Michael Kovacs, District Deputy 5, also as member of 9114 to nominate Mark Najar as the – what's our position called? No, the At Large. I'm sorry, yes. Mark is the kind of person you meet once in a lifetime if you're lucky. As a former policeman, Mark often had to determine right from wrong and act on that choice in the best interest of those he protected. The moral compass he developed has stuck with him from then until now, leading to his current role as the Acting Grand Knight of 12149 after the sitting Grand Knight became ill. In many ways, he's embodied the attributes of the Archangel Michael. Namely, standing true and firm in his beliefs when tested by events and defending them. Now, we all know that this year's Supreme Convention is shaping up to be a battleground for unwanted policy changes. I believe Mark is our best choice in standing firm for what is right and that he will be a strong voice for us against those unwelcome changes. Mark will do what is right, just and moral while representing us. We all know the battle that lies ahead. I nominate Mark Najar to be that rock upon which our objections will be heard. Thank you, Warden.

(Applause)

PZ: The Chair now calls on Victor Zulinski (SPELLING???) from Council 12149 for the purpose of a second.

VZ: Vic Zulinski (SPELLING???), Council 12149. I second the nomination for Mark Najar.

PZ: Very good. Thank you, Vic.

(Applause)

The Chair now calls on Stephan Ziemba, Past State Deputy, for the purposes of a nomination.

SZ: Worthy State Deputy. Worth Associate State Chaplain, State Officers and my Brothers All.

Alan Neff is a supervising engineer for a local utility in Northern Indiana. His responsibilities include cybersecurity and national electric reliability council compliance for NIPSCO. He taught faith formation for three years before joining our order in 2014, at which time he was appointed Membership Director for his Council Good Shepherd in Merrillville, Indiana. The Council obtained Father McGivney Award that year exceeding the Council quota for new members. While serving on the parish Council, he was elected Deputy Grand Knight and became Grand Knight in 2017. A few months later, he was appointed District Deputy for District 3. While simultaneously serving as new DD and Grand Knight, Good Shepherd Council earned their first double star and almost a

star district. He has recruited every officer for Good Shepherd Council for the last several years and many new members to our order. Alan has shown the ability to make the most of every opportunity that he has been given and I'm privileged and honored to nominate Alan Neff as Delegate to the 137th Supreme Convention.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Steve.

The Chair calls on Jeff Gadbois, Council 12177, our Ceremonials Chairman, for the purpose of a second.

JG: Worthy State Deputy.

Thank you. Jeff Gadbois, Ceremonials Chairman and proud member of Father Mick Kopil's Council, 12177. It is indeed a pleasure for me to second the nomination of Brother Knight Alan Neff for Indiana At Large Delegate to the 2019 Supreme Convention. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Jeff.

The Chair calls on Walt Payha (SPELLING????), Council 13968, for the purposes of a nomination.

WP: Worthy Associate Chaplain, Worthy State Deputy, Worthy Supreme Director, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy State Officers, Worthy District Deputies and finally, Worthy Brothers All.

I stand before you with a simple request to select our Worthy State Treasurer, Scott C. Schutte, as the Delegate to the 2019 Supreme Convention. My relationship with this particular brother should not have happened. We don't live near each other, we don't have the same social circle, and we certainly don't go to the same parish, but the truth is none of that matters when you consider how the bond of brotherhood in the Knights of Columbus impacts our lives and lives of so many others. He is a friend, a mentor and at times, a partner in crime when doing many of the cool things that we do as Knights. There's an official and unofficial list. See me in the back of the room for a complete run through. Suffice it to say that if there's an activity for the State, the Council of SS. Francis and Clare or he's been invited by a brother Knight, any brother Knight in the order, he was involved in whatever way was necessary to make that activity successful. Know that in each of these, Scott has been an exemplary Knight and a shining example of perseverance through strength of character and action. Having him at Supreme Convention as a Delegate to send a representative who is most like us as men, husbands, fathers, brothers and sons. Cutting through all of the political correct language, he's a Knight's Knight and will benefit from having him represent us in Minneapolis. So, in closing, I move that Brother Scott C. Schutte is accepted as a Delegate to the 2019 Supreme Convention to be held in Minneapolis, and I yield to my Brother Pat Olmstead to second the nomination.

(Applause)

PZ: That you, Walt.

The Chair now recognizes Pat Olmstead, Council 16305, for the purposes of a second.

PO: Brothers, we need a champion at this year's Supreme Council Convention. Scott Schutte is a champion. I, Pat Olmstead, Central Indiana Chapter President, wholly second the nomination of Scott Schutte. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Pat.

The Chair now calls on DD2, David Negrete, Council 3631, for the purposes of a nomination.

DN: Worthy State Deputy.

Reverend Father, Worthy State Deputy, Supreme Director, Worthy State Officers and Brothers All.

My name is David Negrete and I'm the District Deputy for District 2, Council 3631, and this morning I would like to take this opportunity to nominate Robert Zielinski as a Delegate to this year's Supreme Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota. A life-long Catholic and a South Bend native, Bob has been a faithful and enthusiastic member of the order for over 18 years. He served the Santa Maria Council, number 553, in South Bend as their Grand Knight for five years and for three more as a Council Trustee. Bob is the former District Deputy for District 10, and he has served the State Council as Public Relations and Communications Director and is our Immediate Past State Deputy's Executive Secretary. He has now embraced new challenges as the Indiana Jurisdiction's New Council Development and Reactivations Chairman. This month of August will mark 29 years of marriage for Robert and Lady Babette. Both believe in a life of service. Bob has been a lector, an alter server, an 11-year member and past president of the Holy Name Society. He's also served on his parish Council. For eight years, he and his wife were youth ministers, prior to which they volunteered as advisors for an Explorer Post where they taught area high school teens a variety of broadcasting skills. Professionally, Bob has been a multimedia communicator for over 30 years in radio, television and online broadcasting. Bob is currently a Programming Flow Manager for the Sinclair Broadcasting Group in South Bend. It is Bob's desire to continue to apply his talents and experience to serving this Jurisdiction, and so therefore, I now humbly request that you select Bob Zielinski as a Delegate to this year's Supreme Convention. Thank you and Vivat Jesus.

PZ: Thank you, Dave.

The Chair now calls on Ed Waldschmidt, Council 451, he is our Vocations Chairman, for the purposes of a second.

EW: I, Ed Waldschmidt, am proudly endorsing and a second for Bob Zielinski. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Ed.

Are there any other nominations for Supreme Council Delegate? Are there any other nominations for Supreme Council Delegate? Are there any other nominations for Supreme Council Delegate? Hearing none, the Chair will entertain a motion to close nominations for Supreme Council Delegate. Come forward please.

KW: Ken Williams, Grand Knight, Council 7473. I hereby move to close nominations.

PZ: Is there a second? Allan Stockinger.

AZ: Allan Stockinger, District Deputy 33, Evansville, Council 14673. I second that motion.

PZ: Thank you, Allan.

Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion to close the nominations, say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed?

(Gavel raps once)

The motion is approved.

Before we proceed – the Chair recognizes Allan Stockinger, for the purposes of?

AZ: Making a request prior to voting, not a motion, request if the nominees could come forward so we could see them and also stipulate if, or no, how many times they've been to Supreme Convention.

PZ: Hold that thought.

AZ: Okay, holding that thought.

PZ: Hold that thought. I'm holding a lot of other things right now. Before we move on to the purposes of voting, I'm going to call for a short recess for human factors and for coffee. Okay? So, we're going to take about a 15-minute break for bathrooms and coffee. Okay? And then we'll come back and for the purposes of voting. Thank you.

The Assistant Warden's will please check everyone's card on their re-entrance to the hall. Thank you.

(BREAK)

(INAUDIBLE) the candidates. We'll get them back up on the screen, and I'll go through the list also. I'll ask the candidates to come forward and form a line in front of the dais in the order that your name is called.

So, candidates for the final position as Supreme Convention Delegate:

Jeff Hughes, please come forward; Mike Lewis, please come forward; Mark Najar, please come forward; Alan Neff, please come forward; Scott Schutte, please come forward; and Bob Zielinski, please come forward.

I counted one, two, three, four, five, six. I see four, five – okay, okay. Now, good, good, good. Now, can each of you please walk up to the mike, state your name, and how many times you've gone to Supreme Convention. Yeah, Mike. Why don't you start at the end and just state your name and how many times you've been to Supreme Convention, and also note how many times as a Delegate specifically.

ML: My name is Mike Lewis. I have been to Supreme Convention one time as a Delegate.

JH: My name is Jeff Hughes. I have never been to Supreme Convention.

AN: Good morning. I'm Alan Neff and I've never been to Supreme Convention either.

MN: Morning. My name is Mark Najar and I've never been to a Supreme Convention.

SS: Morning. I'm Scott Schutte. I've been to the Convention twice.

RZ: My name is Bob Zielinski. I have been to Supreme Convention four times as a Delegate and twice as Executive Secretary.

PZ: Thank you, men. The Election Judges, you guys can all be seated now. The Election Judges and Tellers, please come forward and take their positions as indicated by the State Warden. The State Warden and Election Judges will prepare the ballot box and ballots for voting. It's important, if there are any members, other than District Deputies and Convention Delegates, seated in the District rows, they should move to the back of the hall so there's no confusion on how many voting delegates are in the row, okay? You all understand that? If you have, you should only have in your District rows your voting delegates. Okay? Only voting delegates. Okay? Question? The Chair recognizes Past State Deputy Doug Adams for a question.

DA: The diocesan voting yesterday...

PZ: Yes, sir. Use the mike, Doug.

DA: On the diocesan voting yesterday, the statement was in case of a three or more candidates and no one receives a clear majority, then a runoff election is held for the two candidates receiving the most votes. What is a clear majority? Is that more than half of the voting – we took it as more than half of the voting people in the Fort Wayne/South Bend.

PZ: Yes.

DA: Does that apply here?

PZ: No.

DA: So, we're possibly going to have a second vote?

PZ: No.

DA: Okay.

PZ: In this case here, the highest vote count will be the Delegate to Supreme Convention to fill the tenth, or eighth elected slot for Supreme Convention.

DA: So, there's different rules for this one than the diocesan.

PZ: Yes, yes.

DA: Okay.

PZ: Yes. (INAUDIBLE) a little simpler. Thank you. So, the top vote-getter will be our Delegate to Supreme Convention and then, in order of finish, those will be all the Alternates for the Supreme Convention. Okay-dokay? Alright.

The State Secretary will now instruct the Election Tellers to distribute the ballots for the Roll Call vote. Worthy State Secretary.

CH: Worthy State Deputy, thank you.

Okay. Bill, you have, as State Warden, you have instructed the Election Judges about distributing the ballots and District Deputies about determining the count of voting delegates in their districts?

WM: I have.

CH: The voting delegates received ballots and will mark them. The State Secretary then calls a roll of delegates by district. Starting with District 1, the voting delegates led by their District Deputy come to the ballot box, state the number of voting delegates, I will certify or verify as State Secretary the number of delegates matches what I received when we did Roll Call earlier in the morning, and tell the District to cast their ballots, if the count is correct. When the Roll Call vote is complete, then your Tellers will go back with you and count to determine who will be that Delegate.

Alright. So, how do I instruct about distributing ballots?

??: Yeah, now if you distribute the ballots and then the DDs collect the ballots and line up.

CH: Alright. Should I do a count when they distribute ballots?

??: Yeah.

CH: Delegates, alright, I have the count of all the delegates. So, how we're going to do this is I'll, along Bill with your Tellers maybe get in each row for the District Deputies, I'm thinking of districts on the outside and the inside – I will call, maybe on four sides, I will call out the District and the number of voting delegates and then you'll hand, based on my count, those exact numbers of ballots.

Okay. Again, you're voting for only one and only one candidate. If you vote for two candidates, your ballot is spoiled, correct? It's void. So, you are only voting for one Delegate to go to Supreme Convention based on the list on the screens and the candidates coming up. Question, yes?

(INAUDIBLE – OVERTALKING)

Right, that's their designation. The A or I stand, if they're an insurance member, it's I; if it's an A, they're an Associate member.

Okay. District 1 should have five delegates. Question, yes?

?: One of our delegates is a door judge, is he to come forward here and vote or...?

CH: Yes, Worthy Former District Deputy John Wilson, for please come back. Thank you for noting that.

District 1 should have five ballots; District 2 should have eight ballots; District 3 should have three ballots; District 4 should have six ballots; District 5 should have seven ballots; District 6 should have six ballots; District 7 should have two ballots, if they are present. If they're not present, Worthy District Deputies, let us know. Yes.

?: State Secretary, we did have a delegate leave, so we have one.

CH: Okay, thank you. So, District 7 has one. I appreciate that. Okay, District 9 has five; District 10 has three voting delegates; District 11 one; District 12 has six; District 14 has two; District 15 has three; District 16 has one; District 17 has two; District 18 has four; District 19 has three; District 20 has two; District 21 has five; District 22 has five. Okay, we have, alright, so 21s over there, 22s over there, and then what district are you?

?: 22

CH: You're 22. Okay, 22 had five; 23 has three; 24 has three; 25 has six, six for 25; 26 has four; 27 has two; 28 has nine. Question, yes, Roger?

Roger: (INAUDIBLE)

CH: 28, I'm sorry, 28 has nine. 29 has two; 30 has one; 31 has five, 31 has five. Okay, what's your next district?

?: 33

CH: Alright. 33 has eight. Are you ready for 32 count? How you doing over there? Where you at?

?: 32

CH: Alright. 32 has six. Are you ready for 35? 35 has six. Yes, where?

?: 35 has (INAUDIBLE).

CH: 35, alright, you get six ballots. Alright. What district are you on? 36 has four.

?: Correct that to three.

CH: Three? 36 has three. Yes.

?: 26 has four (INAUDIBLE).

CH: 26 has four, that's the count I have. So, you should, if you have four ballots, that's correct. Thank you.

Alright, so I've got 36 at three delegates; 37 has six; 38 has four; and 39 has five. And then our State Officers will have seven ballots, six ballots. Okay. So, Bill, how are you voting? Bill was listed as a Delegate for his Council, but are you voting as a State Officer or as a Delegate of your Council? Okay. So, we're going to have – okay, thank you.

Again, make sure you're only voting for one Delegate to Convention on your ballot, just one.

PZ: (Gavel raps once)

Okay, that was essentially our Roll Call again. So, thank you Worthy State Secretary.

The Election Tellers have come forward and signed a vote. Okay. Okay, now what we'll do is have the DDs come forward with their delegates to vote in order. So, we'll start with District 1, etcetera. Officers, I'm sorry. Officers, let's all vote. Bill, keep an eye on us.

So, we have six Officers minus State Warden who's voting as a Council Delegate.

Okay. District Deputies starting with District 1 in ascending order. District 1 should have five voting delegates.

?: Could I have their delegates, my Tellers back up here.

PZ: Oh, Tellers please come back up here to verify the delegate – I'm sorry.

?: After they've voted. You already voted? Leave your votes with your District Deputies.

PZ: No, they keep their votes.

?: Then their District Deputy comes up and puts (INAUDIBLE).

PZ: No, the delegates will all come up.

?: Oh, they're all going to come up?

PZ: Yeah, all the delegates are coming up. Come up as a group.

CH: Yeah, District 1 should have five voting delegates. Alright, Roger, clarify what you're doing.

Roger: I gave Bill McDonald his vote back.

?: So he could vote with his delegation.

Roger: He gave it to me.

PZ: Okay.

Roger: He's a delegate within District 28.

PZ: Thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you. Okay, District 2 has eight.

??: Worthy State Warden, I have eight delegates voting.

??: That's how it should be. Call the next one.

PZ: District 3, you're on deck, you should have three. Okay, District 3 should be in the line here. District 4 will have six. Okay, District 3's coming up, after District 4 will have six voting delegates. Okay, that's the last of District 3. District 4 has six coming up. On deck is District 5, Mike, seven. District 6 will be on deck; you should have six voting delegates after – yes?

??: State Secretary, I am transporting a ballot for one of our voting members that's in the (INAUDIBLE).

PZ: Dan, right? Yes. Thank you, Dan. Thank you for... and Dan is back there. So, thank you for letting us know that.

Okay, District 6 will have six voting members and District 7, you will have the one voting member. After District 7, District 9 should be coming up. You'll have five voting delegates. After, come up now, District 10 will have three, DD Rick. District 11, Mike, you're going to have one voting delegate coming up. District 12, you're going to have six delegates coming up John. District 14, Ed Waldschmidt, you'll have two delegates after 12. District 15 will have three delegates, Michael. Dirk, your District 16 will have one delegate. Dave, your District has two delegates. Worthy DD Jeff, 18, you'll have four delegates coming up. Worthy District Deputy Jeff, you'll have three delegates. Worthy District 20, Jim, you'll have two delegates. District 21, Ted, you'll have five delegates. District 22, Jeff, you'll have five delegates. District 23, who's ever Acting, you should have three delegates, Greg, I believe that is. 24 will have three delegates, Michael. 25, Donnie, you'll have six delegates coming up. George, in District 26, you'll have four delegates coming up. District 27, Kevin, you'll have two voting delegates. District 28, Roger, you will have one delegate has voted, so you have eight delegates coming up to vote, correct? Two Tellers, alright, so you have a total of nine, you're bringing up seven and two up here. Thank you. District 29, Acting DD, you'll have two delegates. District 30, you'll have one delegate voting. Okay, after District 30 having one, District 31 will have five delegates coming. District 32 will have six voting delegates. District 33 will have eight voting delegates. District 34 will have five voting delegates. District 35 will have six delegates. District 36 will have three delegates. District 37 will have six delegates. District 38, you'll have four delegates. And the last district to vote, District 39, DD Mark, you'll have five delegates.

CH We've got 156 delegates, we should have 156 ballots. Wait, wait, I got to get the Officers, plus six.

PZ: 162, I go 162.

CH Yes, 156 plus 6 is 162. That's the official count.

PZ: Okay. Thank you, Worthy State Secretary. Worthy State Warden, please proceed with your Tellers and Judges to go count the votes. Past State Deputies, Jeff Biel and Doug Adams are the Judges for today's election.

Okay, I need two volunteers, two volunteer Tellers. One front, Steve?

CH Steve Malone of 3631 and Tim Kabaczek (SPELLING???) of 1696.

PZ: Do you have a full team? Please count the votes. Whilst the votes are being tallied, we will have a few Directors give their reports. Or, we will have a few reports. The Chair recognizes State Secretary, Craig, Hanusin, for an announcement.

CH: Worthy Directors and Chairmen, Worthy District Deputies. At the conclusion of today's Business Session, you will go my left, your right corner, our State Treasurer, Scott, will be presenting your mileage and per diem checks. So, all District Deputies, Chairmen, Directors go see Scott to get your mileage and per diem checks for State Convention. Thank you.

PZ: Thank you. Okay. I'd like to have the first report be from the representative from the Indiana Jurisdiction to the 136th Supreme Convention, the Report. So, I call Mike Lewis to the lower podium to present his Report. Worthy Grand Knight.

ML: I present to you the Resolutions from the Supreme Convention.

PZ: Thank you.

ML: I also have all the pins from last year's Convention.

PZ: Put them right on the table. (INAUDIBLE) Thank you, Mike.

Now, the Chair calls State Program Director, Mark Michuda, please come forward for a Report.

(Applause)

MM: Worthy State Deputy. I hope you don't expect my report to be that short.

Brother Knights, we've celebrated the acts of love and works of mercy through charity at our State Convention. We recognize many amazing charitable activity programs that are making the world a better place. The Supreme Council, as you know, is the governing body of the Knights of Columbus and we need to reiterate that out in the field to the other councils as well. This year, introduction to the Faith in Action Program model was implemented. The program defines us as men of faith with four categories representing our main priorities as an Order. They are faith, family, community and life. Working with our bishops, priests and seminarians is the strong right arm of the church and at this time, I'd like to introduce the four directors; we also have two chair people. Fred Schmits, who's a retired judge, he's our Life Director, agreed to step up and fill in. Fred, could you stand up please? And he currently is working on the Silver Rose Program and he needs some help from the DDs. We take the Silver Rose from the northside of Indiana, all the way through the south. It's a very challenging job unless the DDs will help and kick in and get in touch with Fred. Remaining standing for a minute, please.

Then Ryan Borden – are you here Ryan? So, here's a guy, he's our Family Director, he's down in St. Meinrad's with young children. He's a young guy and wearing two hats. Not only did he agree to serve in the capacity as Family Director, he's the Grand Knight of his own council. Thanks so much, Ryan; please remain standing a minute. Larry Kunkle, our Faith Director – Larry, so he's got an MBA in finance. Larry teaches at Ball State University part-time. Larry has embraced the Faith in Action. He loves this and has been doing just some incredible works and also, with the help of his chairman, Ed Waldschmidt, for the Seminarian – sure thank you, Ed – between them, they had handled and managed the preparation the mass in collaborating with our sacristan, and also prepare the prayer chapel way, way down there. Thank you, guys so much, and these are all volunteer positions, by the way. These guys have really stepped up. Remain standing. And Joe Erpelding, the Community Director. Here's Joe, Notre Dame grad. He headed up the free-throw challenge for the entire state. Went down there, got the medals, he did so much for us. Meanwhile, his daughter, who's down in Florida, is expecting a baby any minute. He's just waiting for the call and board the first plane out to be with her and accompany her. My point is, these are great leaders. We are so blessed to have them – agree to volunteer their time, embrace the Faith in Action, and because of the value and importance and significance, all they do is try to help. They look at ways, they try to convey information and get it out there to you guys, and my point is, we always need good leadership. It's not one guy, it's not three guys, it's all of us. It's you guys, the DDs, the Grand Knights, and it's this whole weekend was about celebrating, inspiring to motivate us so we can go back out in the field, about embracing the Faith in Action programs, being men of faith, right. So, thank you, guys, for of your work, all of your time, and the commitment for two years. Remember, you got one more year left. Thank you very much.

(Applause)

The transition in the faith and no action defines who we are. The Knights responded despite the challenges we had faced rolling out the new program working together in order to make it a success. Thank you for doing that. Thank you for being so patient. Under the category of Faith, so many wonderful examples of creating holy moments occurred. One example with this Convention, is this holy water bottle that we had referenced with this paperwork. Make sure you take these back to the councils that didn't come. And I want to just read one quick paragraph – Holy water is a sacrament. It emits venial sin. Because of the blessing attached to it, the holy church strongly urges its use upon our children, families, spouses, grandchildren. What a great opportunity for all of us in a small way to take these back and share it. Group rosaries, spiritual reflection programs, Marian Icon Prayer programs and seminarian support through the religious appreciation banquets, SOS, RSVP programs – all of our Indiana bishops have now provided the letter of endorsement of the Knights of Columbus. The Family category has been anchored. It's been the anchor of the Knights as we are always quick to show our support, promoting family values and supporting the family. Consecration of the Holy Family was welcomed by our parish priests as they expressed their gratitude in the parish bulletins. Food for Families, Keep Christ in Christmas and Family Prayer Night have been rather popular. The Community category – it's been an effort to make the world a better place, if you think about it. Helping Hands was the most popular required activity across the state. Coats for Kids, Global Wheelchair Mission, Disaster Preparedness and Habitat for Humanity is changing lives. Our youth were supported by the Free Throw Championship and Soccer Challenge. An activity that is saving lives is the council blood drives. Indiana Knights have donated over 1,000 pints of blood. The

Life category is summed up by this statement – A life that is created in the image of God is sacred. The Ultrasound Machines, Novenas for Life, Marches for Life, Special Olympics and Christian Refugee Relief is saving lives. It has ben an honor serving in the capacity as State Program Director. The importance of this program increases our footprint through charity, identifying us as men of faith that support the church leaders and communities. I am happy to report the Indiana Jurisdiction of the Knights of Columbus through charity, is changing lives and saving lives. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Okay. Thank you, Worthy State Program Director.

The Chair will entertain a motion to accept the Report of the State Program Director.

NC: Ned Chair (SPELLING???), Council 5929, Chesterton. I make a motion to accept the Report.

PZ: Thank you. Is there a second?

AS 15437, second.

PZ: Who is that who spoke?

AS: Art Sebrosiak (SPELLING???).

PZ: Art Sebrosiak (SPELLING???), 15437. Okay, thank you. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed?

(Gavel raps once)

The motion is approved.

Now, I've got to back up just a bit. The Chair will now ask for, entertain a motion to accept the Report of the Representative to the 136th Supreme Convention Report. That was the Report given by DD24, Mike Lewis. Can I get a motion to accept his report?

VG So moved.

PZ: Okay, come on, come on up, Vince.

VG: Vince Granicurt (SPELLING???), Grand Knight, Council 1584. I move that we accept the Report as given by Mike Lewis.

PZ: Thank you. Is there a second? Phil?

PP: Phil Perry, District Deputy 31, I move that we – I second the motion.

PZ: Okay. We have a motion and a second. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion to accept the Report of the Representative to the 136th Supreme Convention please say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed, please say no.

(Gavel raps once)

Motion is approved.

Is Frank Joseph in the room? There he is. The Chair now calls on State Membership Director, Frank Joseph, for his report.

(Applause)

FJ: Okay. So, as your Membership Director, I need to recognize a few people in the room. So, if you're part of the Membership Team, Bob, back in the back; Scott, back in the back – come on, stand up, seriously. We also got Joe, somewhere in the room – no? Joe isn't? Joe, please stand up; I appreciate that; and Jeff – there he is. Alright. So, this is your core team, but I would want to also recognize Marty, our Immediate Past State Deputy, for his online work. I also want to recognize all the general agents, the field agents, that support you and your councils. We also have a Hispanic coordinator, who's not here today. He had to leave yesterday. I spoke to him before he left. And our Youth – is Andy still in the room? Nope? Okay. And we have a new position in Youth. So, thank you for standing. I appreciate that. I just want you guys to understand, I'm just a figurehead; they're the guys that do all the work. So, that's how this works. I also want to recognize any other recruiters in the room. Is anybody in here a recruiter for your council for your district? Anybody? Anybody? See, that's where I kind of part company with all of you in this room. You're all recruiters and I really wish for you to stand up at this moment. And you can thank me for stretching your legs later, but you can have a seat now. So, that was kind of me just making a point because if any of you have talked to me, I'm pretty quiet generally, but when you give me a moment to talk, I try to make it worth your while to listen, and that was my point to you that I have a report to give for the Indiana State Jurisdiction and it's a great report. We're having a fantastic year. We're over 33,000 members – 33,051 last time I checked; that's awesome.

(Applause)

Another number I'm awfully proud of is we're over 100 net-net and I wanted to explain that to you all. You know, there's this thing that we can't stop – it's called death. That's what our insurance agents help us protect and stuff. So, it's our intake minus death, also any suspensions and withdrawals. Net-net is very important to our success, our future and the growth of the Order. So, we got to pay attention to that number too. We average over a thousand new members every year, but our net-net has always been under a hundred. I've seen years when it was negative. So, we got to pay attention to that. As recruiters, I want to say this, also I've noticed this year the audience. It seems to be a little younger than what it's been lately and I want to thank all of you for that because that's very important too.

(Applause)

We're at 971 of 1,300 – 1,300 is our Circle of Honor goal. You know, I didn't talk about it all year, but we're down to our last two months and I really need to say this. It's very important for the Indiana Jurisdiction to be recognized in the Circle of Honor, and it's not about the State Deputy or the State Officers, it's about all of you. You make it to that goal and everybody in the world knows it, everybody in the world knows it. You see us on a lot of Supreme videos – they know we're here. We do a lot of great things. We pop up on every video I've ever watched – or paid attention to I guess, maybe – but that catches my eye that Indiana's in it, and that's awesome. You guys do a lot of great works and I'm really proud of our Program Team, Brother Mark and his Team, because we all know that programs – Faith in Action and Charitable Programs – bring new members, but on the flip side of that, the thing that worries me the most is retaining those members mean we have to have good programs, good charitable works, and make sure that Faith in Action is important in the parishes, and to do that, you have to stay active. Councils that aren't growing are not growing for a reason and I don't say, and I've never said, it's not because you're not trying. Just maybe you haven't changed along with everybody else and we're not talking about just being younger; that's a part of it. We're not talking about just recruiting bilinguals; that's just a part of it. The real picture is about the Faith in Action Program in your parish and the real picture is about the charitable works you do. You know, it does concern me that we don't all wear the Emblem of the Order when we're doing things and that's important. It's important for, number one, our recognition because sometimes people have the wrong perception of us, but if we're going to grow membership, we have to be recognized for Faith in Action and all the charitable works that we do. I want to recognize a couple things that stands out though. We have a couple districts that's over 100% of their goal – DD10 and 26, would you stand up please, DD10, 26.

(Applause)

Thank you. Appreciate that. Along those lines though, like I said, we're 971 of 1,300. We need to get the rest of it. We have five districts that are over 75%, three more districts that's over 50%. We're represented by two councils, no, four councils that's over 200% of their goal. Four councils at this point of the year, over 200% of their goal, and 17 others over 100%. So, we have 21 councils who have met their quota for the year. That's awesome.

(Applause)

The upside to this, again, we still have to get that 329. The upside to this is we have six councils over 85, six more over 75, and 16 that's further than half way, they should be at this point anyways. So, we have a potential of another 30 councils hitting 100% of their goal. That would be definitely a landmark in the Indiana Jurisdiction and I pray that we do that. We did reactivate two councils, started a new one and I know we didn't talk about it a lot, but we have the potential for a possibility of three more yet this year. Just depends on how fast they move. You know, we're not the guy in charge here. So, you know, when God lets us have those councils, we'll have those councils and that's when it'll work, but we're working on them. Brother Bob's talking to the people in the area and making sure of that. April was our best recruitment month of the year. That's a good sign because we're coming down to the end of the year and we shouldn't be winding up, we should be gearing up to meet the goal – 1,300's the number, 329 is where we have

to go. So, here's my request. I heard our Worthy State Deputy yesterday say four more each, each council four more – I'm going to make a simple request. I was talking to a Brother yesterday and it makes perfect sense to me. What I challenge you all to do and ask you all to do when you're starting to talk to the other Brothers at your council and in your districts, is if your sons are not signed up, get them signed up before the end of this year. If they're over 18 and they're not a Knight, I question, and I really do and I say this take no offense, but take some offense, what leadership role you're playing in their life. The Knights is important. You know, my son was an Eagle Scout before he became a Knight. That kind of stuff, those kinds of things matter for the rest of their life. So, challenge your councils, challenge your districts to get your sons, and then I'm going to throw one more into this, and any brother siblings you have, whether it be step or natural born, get them to sign up before the end of the year. I just imagined with 33051 as a number coming into this morning if even half of you would accomplish that goal in the next two months, we're going to blow away that 329 that we need. So, I ask you to do that. Just remember, I've heard it said once or twice this weekend, the best recruitment tool I've ever known and I think works better than anything else you can do, any shows and membership drives or anything else that you can do – I think those are all important and they're great tools – but to simply ask and tell your story. It's important. When people hear your story, your personal story why did you join and why are still a member and what do you do for the Knights of Columbus, they want to join. You won't have to ask them to join; they'll ask you how. So, I appreciate everything you guys do. Thank you for listening to me and thank you for all you do all year long. Appreciate it.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Membership Director. The Chair will now entertain a motion to accept the State Membership Director Report.

MT: Worthy State Deputy, I make a motion to accept that (INAUDIBLE).

PZ: Okay. (Laughter) That's Tipton Council?

MT: Yes, sir. (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: Matt Tevy (SPELLING???), Council 1265, Tipton, Matt Tevy. Is there a second?

MF: (INAUDIBLE) Worthy State Deputy. Mike Follis, Council 13142, so moved for a second.

PZ: DD Mike Follis from Council 13142, second. Is there any discussion in accepting the Report of the State Membership Director? Hearing no discussion, all those in favor of the motion, say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: All those opposed, say no.

(Gavel raps once)

The motion is approved.

I see our Election Tellers and State Warden are back. This is good. They've returned with the results of the election. Come forward please. Please give the Summary Sheet to the Admins so they can project it on the screen.

DA: Worthy State Deputy.

PZ: Worthy Past State Deputy, Doug Adams.

DA: Good news. The total ballot count, 162, came out perfectly. The bad news is we have a six-way tie.

(Laughter)

Do it all over again.

??: What you talking about, Past State Deputy?

PZ: Thank you Tellers, thank you Judges. Do you want to give them the results first so they can put it up, type it on the screen, then I'll say it? Six-way tie. God bless the Past State Deputies. Okay, Bill? Please dismiss your Tellers and Judges.

Okay, if I read this correctly, Bill, what you gave me was the who was elected as the Delegate and then who's the first of the Alternates.

WM: Correct.

PZ: Right? We will put up the rest of them in order on the screen then. Okay. We'll just go with one and one. Okay.

The Delegate is – what is his first name? It was... Our Delegate to Supreme Convention is Jeff Hughes from Council 9706.

(Applause)

And the first Alternate is Alan Neff from Council 10811.

(Applause)

Okay. Do we have the full delegation on the screen yet? No. Is that a full delegation now on the screen? Okay, there's our full Delegation to the Supreme Convention and I think we have of our elected eight delegates, we have at least four that are insurance members, correct? At least we have one Alternate, so, yeah. One associate member, so perfect. That is excellent. So, that's taken care of.

Now, all elected Delegates and Alternates, please meet with Executive Secretary, Bob Uhrick, immediately following our meeting today, and any others planning to attend...

??: Worthy State Deputy. Point of order.

PZ: One minute. All those elected Delegates and Alternates must meet with Executive Secretary, Bob Uhrick, immediately after the meeting today. All others planning to attend Supreme Convention should also meet with the Executive Secretary today so you

can be given important information about our Indiana Supreme Convention Contingent. He has the information concerning your reservations.

Now the Chair recognizes Walt Payha (SPELLING???)

WP: Brother Neff's up there twice. You were still missing the At Large from Indy and the (INAUDIBLE) Association. So, there should have been one selection for a Delegate with three Alternates selected.

PZ: Okay, so you're saying we have the, that we have a full set of Delegates, agreed.

WP: Correct.

PZ: It's on the number of Alternates. We have Alan down as a Delegate and as an Alternate. Oh, oh, okay. Alan's down as an Alternate twice. That's the way it came out. Right, so we have, so who is next after Alan so that we have another Alternate then? Do we have enough Alternates so that if a Delegate drops out, we have plenty of Alternates? Walt...

WP: I'm still going to argue this because the way that we have this set up is working. We still have the Indy and the FS will...

PZ: Walt, come up to the mike please.

WP: Worthy State Deputy.

PZ: Yes, talk into the mike please, yes.

WP: The point of order that I'm making is we still have to be able to name, we have to go three deep on the At Large Alternates because of the way this works because the Indy and the FS Association now revert to their Alternates now revert to an Alternate. So, to be consistent with what we've got up here, we will need the name – and I'm sorry, in this election, we would need to name three additional At Large Alternates.

PZ: That's your point of order as (INAUDIBLE).

WP: That's my point of order.

PZ: We have to have...

WP: They're designated already and we only have one At Large. So, as they go in...

PZ: Okay, thank you, Walt. Your point, you made your point. I'm going to defer over to our Parliamentarian for some help on this and there was a question – Past State Deputy, Bob Lynch. The Chair recognizes Past State Deputy, Bob Lynch, for some clarification.

RL: Again, I do not think this in the Bylaws of the State Council that we have 10 Delegates. I agree with Walt, that if we have a person as a Delegate and as an Alternate, we need to change his Alternate status, but as far as where they're from and, you know, the numbers, it's not a requirement that we have 10 Alternates for the Convention. I've been involved since Doug was the State Deputy in '86, '88 – now, he doesn't want you to know he's that old. I've been involved with the State Council since then and if we have

one Alternate that goes a year, we would be surprised. So, the numbers are something we should recognize those people as having that position of an Alternate, but the sheer numbers of bringing them into a full Delegate position is just not there. So, if we can correct, as Walt's saying, something that would have a person in both categories, that's fine, but to add numbers just to have 10, and I'm not sure that that's what he was wanting to do, it's not a requirement.

PZ: Yeah. So, what I think you're saying, Bob, is if we had the Indianapolis Delegate or the – who was the other one? FS? – FS Delegate not be able to go to Convention, we'd ask Alan, Alan Neff as being the first Alternate to go.

WP: Let me change it a little bit. This is new where we've done the diocesan directors and is something that says we have to replace the Indianapolis Delegate with the Indianapolis Alternate. Now, we did not have an Indianapolis Alternate in our caucus. We only had one person that was nominated and he was elected. I don't know what we're trying to do to the fact that we have these Alternates designated to a specific Delegate.

PZ: Right. What we have is, we have all the Alternates are listed up there...

WP: Right.

PZ: ... our Alternates to the Convention...

WP: But are they Alternate for that individual only or...?

PZ: The way they would be selected, this is my understanding, and the State Parliamentarian can correct me if I'm doing this wrong, that where we've identified the Gary Diocese to have an Alternate, the first preference if the Gary Diocese Delegate can't go to Convention, would be to call the Gary Diocese Alternate and ask them to go.

WP: And again, that is a decision that the State Council made at the beginning of this Convention to have these caucuses and to have, hopefully, a Delegate and an Alternate, and like I say, the Indianapolis Delegate, if Ed could not go, there was not an Alternate unless we did that earlier in the day.

PZ: So, Fort Wayne would have a Delegate and an Alternate, Lafayette has a Delegate and an Alternate, and then the rest of them, if I read that correctly, would be going with Alan Neff as the first Alternate. Am I correct?

WP: Who's going to go if Craig cannot go?

PZ: We would call Alan Neff.

WP: Yeah, we would call him because of what reason?

PZ: Because he was elected as an Alternate. Okay, first we'll recognize – your name? Say your name and state into the mike.

BN: Ben Nip (SPELLING???), 12379, Fort Wayne (INAUDIBLE). I have a question on the motion from the vote. What was the motion on the vote? We were voting, was the

motion to vote top down, 1-2-3-4? We needed four people off that list and – what was the motion on the vote? Who recorded it?

PZ: Our motion for the vote was we were voting for one Delegate to Supreme Convention.

BN: And one Alternate only period?

PZ: No, we had one vote on our ballots, we voted for one person and they were going to be the Delegate to Supreme Convention and the second highest vote count would be the Alternate.

BN: Okay, so there was never a need to fill the two blank spots that were up there earlier.

PZ: No.

BN: That's, I think, where we're getting a lot of confusion.

PZ: The Chair recognizes State Advocate, Gil.

GS: Worthy State Deputy. To clarify some of this, the rules were given to all the caucus chairmen. Okay, and in there it stated in those rules that if a caucus was failing to – and this was for both either Delegate or Delegate and Alternate – if there was an open position, it would be filled by the first available Alternate in the At Large position. Right. And if that At Large position Alternate filled the other position, then the next person that was the Alternate would be moved up and selected. Say you guys are talking about Alan Neff. Okay, Alan's at the Gary Diocese. If he ends up having to fill the Indianapolis Diocese, then Gary become vacant as far as the thing and then the next Alternate in the At Large Candidates would then fill that if it was needed. I hope that clarifies it. It was in the rules given out to the...

PZ: The Chair recognizes Adam – state your name and council number.

AP: Point of order requested by Adam Phipps, Deputy Grand Knight, Council 1591, out of Crawfordsville. I'm just requesting, is it, is it in the Bylaws that we will have Alternates that were selected for the dioceses replace that or is that just currently still unclear and to be followed by some kind of, in the Bylaws?

PZ: Current, to answer your question directly is, it's not in the Bylaws.

AP: Okay, thank you very much.

PZ: The Chair recognizes Mike Warden.

MW: State Deputy.

PZ: State your name and council.

MW: Yes, sir. IT Admin, Council 12540. In the event that Mike Finley from Gary Diocese is unavailable, Alan Neff will take his place as the Alternate for the Gary Diocese. In the event that a second Delegate is not available to go, who takes that spot? I think, Walt, that was kind of what you were saying. We would just like to have the others in order below Alan Neff as the Alternates so that it's in the record who would take that next spot

in the event more than one of our Delegates could not go, which is very unlikely. Thank you.

PZ: Okay. Thank you, Mike. The Chair recognizes Rick Burmeister. Come to the podium for your comments.

RB: Worthy State Deputy. Rick Burmeister from District 10. We had one opening for a Delegate. That's been identified as Jeff Hughes. We had three Alternate openings. I believe we would like to see the first, second and third names for those three openings be filled from the vote and, if by chance things come up and we need more than that, then the State Deputy can contact number four, five and six directly and let them know who it is, but there were three openings for Alternates and we'd like to see three names for those Alternates.

PZ: Are you making a motion that add the third, fourth and fifth highest votes be Alternates?

RB: No, no. I'm just asking for the first three names from the vote – we only identified one name for an Alternate. There were three openings. So, I'd like to see the second and third highest votes for Alternates.

PZ: You making a motion...?

RB: I'm making a motion...

PZ: ... third...

RB: ... making a motion to see the highest vote was Jeff Hughes, would like to see the second, third and fourth highest votes to fill the three Alternate position.

PZ: Okay. So, we have the motion by – wait, let me first get the motion through, get the motion correctly. Rick Burmeister, and Council...?

RB: 553

PZ: ... 553, made the motion to have the...

RB: Identify the second, third and fourth vote count...

PZ: ... second, third and fourth vote count...

RB: ... as those three Alternates...

PZ: ... as Alternates.

RB: ... in the blank positions.

PZ: And there was a second by...

??: (INAUDIBLE) 12379.

PZ: ... 12379, Neff. Okay. Discussion. We recognized Past State Deputy, Jeff Biel.

JB: Worthy State Deputy. I believe, in the past, we never had all these Alternates. I think everybody's getting confused with Alternates for an Alternate for everybody else. I mean, in the past, when we had an opening, we usually had one person that was an Alternate and then after that, if we had any more openings, it was up to the State Deputy to appoint the next highest State Officer who wasn't going, to take his place at the Convention. Doug, is that the way it's been in the past?

DA: (INAUDIBLE)

JB: Yeah, but this – this whole thing is different. It's new for everybody on the floor and...

??: (INAUDIBLE) but the State Deputy has the list, the way the vote came and he would go down that list and pick up the number second, third and fourth (INAUDIBLE). You just got too many Alternates.

PZ: So, what we can do, I think what the motion is asking for, is to have the third and fourth place announced, who they would be. That was the motion. So, you ready for a vote on announcing the third and fourth? Question – come to the podium please. Come to the podium, state your name and Council please.

MS: Mick Share (SPELLING), Council 5929. Before we go any further with this whole thing, I'm taking it FS Association is Financial Secretary Association.

PZ: Correct.

MS: So, if something happens to that person and you go to the Alternate, are any of those Alternates FSs? If they're not a financial secretary, you better get somebody on that Alternate list that is so that if something happens, we're not in this whole bolt saying who's going to go, who's going to go.

PZ: No. Thank you, thank you.

MS: I don't know if they have to be a financial secretary. That's my question.

PZ: Okay. We're going to stick to the one motion of having the announcement of the third and fourth place so that if the Financial Secretary Association Delegate couldn't go, and Alan Neff couldn't go, who would be the third one to be asked. Okay? So, that's the motion. So, let's have a vote. All those in favor of announcing who the third and fourth place finishers were in the election, signify by saying yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed?

FEW: No.

PZ: (Gavel raps once)

Motion passes.

Worthy Warden, who were the third and fourth place? Oh, man. He's going to count them again. Six-way tie. I know, I know.

WM: (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: I know, I know, but we're going to satisfy these guys. So, Najar and Schutte. Okay, thank you.

Alright. Come to order.

(Gavel raps once)

Alright. The third and fourth place, as a refresher – Jeff Hughes is our Delegate, Alan Neff is the first Alternate, the second Alternate, or the third place, would be Mark Najar, and then fourth would be Scott Schutte. Okay? So, that's our, we have, to refresh again, Jeff Hughes is the Delegate, Neff is Alternate, Najar is Alternate, and Schutte is Alternate.

(Applause)

I think we have adequate coverage for Supreme Convention. Now you all are required now – everyone, everyone in the room is required to come up to Minneapolis now to make sure we got everybody (Laughter) – no, not necessary, not necessary. I think we got plenty, I think we have plenty.

Now, the Chair will entertain a motion. The Chair will entertain a motion, now that we've done this, to destroy the ballots.

DN: So moved.

PZ: So moved – come forward Dave.

DN: I make a motion to destroy the ballots. David Negrete, District Deputy District 2.

PZ: DD2. Second? I heard one over here. Who was it?

AS: Second the motion. Art Sprozak (SPELLING???), 15437, Deputy Grand Knight.

PZ: Thank you. Any discussion? All in favor of destroying the ballots signify by saying yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed?

(Gavel raps once)

Motion approved.

State Warden, please destroy the ballots.

MM: You need that? I'm going to destroy it.

PZ: It's the final count.

WM: The ballot box is sealed and will be destroyed.

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Warden.

We've done our State Membership Director, we said our State Program Director Reports.

The State Council now recognizes Master of the Indiana District, Rick Santangelo, for his report.

(Applause)

RS: Reverend Father, Worthy Supreme Director, Worthy Vice Supreme Master, Worthy State Deputy, Worthy State Officers, Directors and Chairman, District Deputies, Brothers All.

As Master of the Indiana District and as a Veteran, I will always recognize our veterans and active members of the military, and as such, I'd like all our veterans and members of active military to stand and be recognized.

(Applause)

Thank you for your service and I'd also like to ask our firemen, policemen and first responders to stand to be recognized.

(Applause)

I thank all of you for your service and my God bless you.

For those of you who don't know, the first exemplification of the Fourth Degree, the patriotic degree, was conducted in New York City on February 22, 1900, on Washington's birthday, with a class of 1,100 Knights. The purpose of the Fourth Degree is to promote and strengthen the patriotic spirit of the civic community, to educate its members and others both in the teachings of Holy Mother Church and the history of our nation, to promote by example the highest type of citizenship so necessary for the preservation and perpetuation of republican form of government and its democratic institutions, to oppose dissemination and spread of doctrine dangerous to our form of government, and to the divine law of faith and morality and to support by word and deed the duly constituted authorities of local, state and national government and to recognize excellence in public life. As Fourth Degree Knights, we glorify God by serving our communities and nations as though Christ were the one being served. We hold unwaveringly to what is right and honorable working to keep God in the civic arena, serving the life of the church and defending laws that recognize the sanctity of life and true religious liberty. And now, tradition dictates that I ask anyone in this room who is not a member of the Fourth Degree to stand. Okay, gentlemen. Please take a seat. I have Form Fours and Registration Forms for you available in the back.

(Applause)

We have an Exemplification scheduled for June 15, 2019, at Saints Francis and Clare Church in Greenwood for you to complete your journey to full knighthood. For those of you who will be there, and I expect all of you to be there, if there are not enough Form Fours available and Registration Forms, Registration Forms are available online. See

your FS or FC for the Form Four. For the ladies that will be at the Exemplification, we have a great event for them. It'll be a presentation on the Shroud of Turin. It is presented by Dr. Chuck Dietzen; he's a physiatrist. I've known him for years. This presentation has been made at Purdue University and Marion University, as well as others. There will be a full-size replica of the Shroud of Turin and there'll be discussion of Christ's crucifixion and death, a very worthwhile presentation. And with that, I want all of us as Knights to remember to stand for the flag and kneel for the cross. Vivat Jesus.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you Worthy Master of the Indiana District.

The Chair will entertain a motion to accept the report of the Master of the Indiana District.

?: (INAUDIBLE)

PZ: DD32, Joe Beekline (SPELLING???), motion by him. Second? Steve.

SM: Stephen Malone, Council 3631, (INAUDIBLE).

PZ: 3631. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed say no.

(Gavel raps once)

Motion approved.

The Chair now recognizes Vice Supreme Master of the Father Sorin Province, Charles E. Whitcraft Jr., for his remarks. Please stand.

(Gavel raps three times)

(Applause)

CW: Reverend Father, Supreme Director, State Officers and Brothers All. First, it's great to be at this Convention and the other thing is I get asked how's the Fourth Degree doing? I'm going to tell you how good we're doing in the Father Sorin Province. We are growing. How are we growing? We're in fourth place in membership growth out of the 21 provinces. I got to catch one guy, the Supreme Director's province. He's in first place. I'm going after him. So, attend, there's an Exemplification in Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia in June. We're going to get him. We're going after him, that's all there is to it. I'm very proud of the fact that Rick, along with the other two Masters, are doing a fantastic job with the Fourth Degree this year. We are just really seeing growth. A part of it, I know, is due to the fact that there is no tux required to enter the Fourth Degree, only a dark suit and a white shirt. The other thing I want to bring up is the Military Chaplain Fund. How many knew we were still raising money for the Military Chaplain Fund? Not everybody. It's still open until June 30, 2020. We only need

\$190,000 to reach the \$2 million goal. How important is the Military Chaplain Fund? Do any of you know a seminarian or somebody who's become a priest who is a beneficiary of this? One, two, I am the third. We had a priest in the Fort Wayne/South Bend Diocese – this young man is a beneficiary of it. Now, he hasn't went into serve yet, but I'll guarantee you, he is a convert. He came into our faith, got in – eight years ago he was a convert and now he's a priest. He's so on fire it's not even funny. We need their support; our military needs our support especially for chaplains. It's very, very critical that we have chaplains. There's a shortage of them and you talk to any military personnel, even non-Catholics go to priests and talk to them. So, we do need to help that fund out. Last, but not least, Lady Deb and I – and this is for the record so I don't have to buy her a dress – want to thank everybody, the State Family and all of you for the warm welcome you showed us and all the support that you have shown me over the last two years. It is truly appreciated. Vivat Jesus.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Worthy Vice Supreme Master.

Okay. We will be suspending the meeting for a while, while we have representatives from Gibault, Inc. with us who are not members of the Order. Therefore, the Chair will entertain a motion to recess our meeting so that they can be brought in to our hall for the Annual Parade of Checks.

JG: So moved. Jesse Guadiano (SPELLING???), Acting District Deputy, Council 726.

PZ: 726. Second?

WG: Second. Walt Gillespie, 12387.

PZ: Walt, 12387. Any discussion? All those in favor of the motion say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Are any opposed?

(Gavel raps once)

Motion approved.

(Blip in recording) \$103,574 was collected during the Parade of Checks.

(Applause)

Appreciate it. Thank you, Patty, for attending our annual meeting. Thank you, Patty. May God bless you with many happy years of retirement. I ask for all Knights present to please stand again and show their appreciation to Patty with a round of applause.

(Applause)

Okay. Next, we're going to be closing the doors here in just a minute. The next one up will be the Past State Deputies for their comments. Who's going to be the spokesman

for the Past State Deputies? Are you guys going to have to vote? It's going to be Doug? Okay, wait for Patty to leave. Hold on a second. Okay, there we go.

(Gavel raps once)

The meeting is back in session. Worthy Past State Deputy, Doug Adams.

DA: Thank you. I think our Past State Deputies make their own comments, but I'm just short and simple. It's good to be here this weekend, see all of you again and wish you well going home and look forward to seeing you next year, or sometime in between. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Other Past State Deputies, any remarks? Okay. Next up, I'd like to call on our Executive Secretary for Closing Remarks. Bob, Bob Uhrick.

RU: Gentlemen, just a couple of quick things. For the DDs, please make a trip around and make sure that if there were any councils that were not here or did not pick up their certificates and plaques, there's still a few sitting around, please pick those up for us and get those to the councils. Also, just a reminder, it's been said several times, anyone interested in going to Supreme Convention, please come see me following this. I'll be at the end of the table, plus, any of our Delegates. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Chair calls on State Warden, Bill McDonald, for his Closing Remarks.

WM: I need someone to yield their time to me. First off, I want to thank the State Officers, Chairman and Directors for all their hard work they put into this Convention. This being my first State Convention as State Warden, it's unbelievable what these gentlemen put in to putting on this State Convention, and again, I want to thank you all for all the hard work and time you put on it.

(Applause)

Next, I'd like all the Assistant Wardens, Ticket Takers, Election Tellers and Judges to please stand, plus our volunteers at the last minute. Again, I want to thank you for all your service for this weekend and being on time. Thank you.

(Applause)

A special thanks to my two shadows who took care of me this weekend, especially Mike Lewis and David Johnson. Thank you.

(Applause)

Real quick, I'd like to invite everyone to the Special Olympics Winter Games in Terre Haute and experience the enhanced experience by coming to Mass with your Brothers. There's an email been put out about this and you'll get another email shortly again. Summer Games. Again, have Mass with your Brother Knights and then come down to

Gibault for a wonderful pork chop – 2-inch thick pork chops – dinner that night. The cost is only \$15. All the information will be coming in an email, if you haven't already got it. Lastly, Disaster Relief – if you're interested in volunteering on our, what we're trying to develop as a Rapid Response Team, please email me and I'll get with you when we pass information back and forth. Again, it's not when a disaster happens, it's just when, and we want to develop a rapid response team so we don't sit and question if we're going, it's just a matter of when we're going. With that, I understand today I got a standing invitation from the Terre Haute Council to be out there at Gibault for Santa Claus, and I told them as long as my reindeer fly, I'll be there. Again, thank you, as the State Warden. Look forward to another year. Thank you.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Warden. The Chair now calls on State Advocate, Gil Spisak, for his Closing Remarks.

GS: Worthy State Deputy. Gentlemen, I want to thank you for coming out here and spending time with us today. As you know, we're all volunteers in this and if you ever need help, you know we're volunteers here, we're here to help you, we're here to help each other. Thank you for being here and all the work that you do. If you do have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me; I'll be glad to help you. With that, I want to thank all the other gentlemen that were helping us in the caucuses and for all the work they did. That is a work in progress and I'm asking anybody, if you do have any suggestions – I know there was some clarification needed there on the Alternates and I've got that noted – but if there is some other stuff, don't hesitate to send me an email and I'll work on getting it correct. So, I want to thank you for your time in that and wish you all a safe journey home and thank you and Vivat Jesus.

(Applause)

PZ: The Chair now calls on State Treasurer, Scott Schutte, for his Closing Remarks.

SS: I'm so happy that many of you made the effort to attend. To our Supreme Representative, it was wonderful to meet you and your wife this weekend. Safe travels on your way home. This year our theme was charity and as I mentioned earlier in our report, our donations to charities continue to be great and I anticipate it only to grow with our efforts. However, charity is more than just the money, as you have learned in the First Degree. I encourage you to keep your members active in the community, as our works of charity speak louder than the money, especially if you're wearing the emblem, as Frank Joseph mentioned. Our works in the public bring interest to our order and through that new members. I must thank the members that went to the extra step over the last couple of weeks to show charity to me in preparing and running the registration table. Walt, Pat, thank you very much. Jeff Emminger, as well. You guys made my life much more simple. And thank you also to your wives for their assistance. They were, they kept Christine happy as well. A special thank you to Thomas Root, DD, who went above and beyond by volunteering to assist this weekend. You are definitely living the principle of charity, as defined in our Order. I look forward to seeing many of you next year and I'm looking forward to meeting a lot of new members over the next year. Safe travels home. Vivat Jesus.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Worthy State Treasurer. The Chair now calls on State Secretary, Craig Hanusin, for his Closing Remarks.

CH: Thank you, Worthy State Deputy. The journey this year as Convention Chairman has, well, it's been a beautiful journey. First, I want to give thanks to Archbishop, I want to give thanks to our State Chaplain and our Associate State Chaplain, all the clergy that attended the Opening Convention Mass, the Masses, the Banquet, our sincere hope is that everybody had a wonderful time. We worked hard to make sure attendance, you know, to be very accommodating and the reward was seeing all of you come here. So, again, we thank you for everything you do. I want to single out our State Deputy, Paul and Lady Sheila, they do so much. You don't realize the script, everything behind it, it's just a lot, but it's a labor of love and your Convention Booklet, take that back to your councils. I had the good fortune, Paul visited all of our bishops this last fall season. So, Paul invited me, when he came up to the Gary Diocese, my diocese, to see Bishop Pine, and having that meeting and producing from the Bishop's one for Keep Sunday Holy campaign and we have window clings to show for that. Paul asked each of the five Indiana bishops to write a letter in our State Convention Booklet. So, when you get time when you go home or the next week, please read through all the letters in that Convention Booklet and convey those messages. So, again, the friendships and everything. Terry coming in Thursday night – here's Terry and Estelle coming in. There are so many precious beautiful moments since Past State Deputy, my first year, was (INAUDIBLE). You were 60, right? Yeah, 2007. I've been coming ever since. So, I was hooked then. There's so much to take, there's so much to learn. You inspire us to be better as officers and our passion for the Order shows. So, I'm getting goosebumps right now. I'm not a great singer, but I'm a great appreciator of the arts. So, as Carol Burnett often stated – I was born in '67 but I remember – I'm so glad we had this time together.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Worthy young State Secretary. Born in '67, holy cow. The Chair now recognizes our Immediate Past State Deputy, born in 1958, for his Closing Remarks.

MM: You were born in '58 too, you know. Ah, thank you, thank you, thanks everybody. Keep it short and sweet. You guys rock. You know, thanks for that last walkup. This really shows your charity, okay. That's what exemplified this weekend, that we are all about charity and that \$103,000 total just rocked my world. That was awesome. And Patty, to get her to cry twice in one weekend; I got something on her now before she leaves, you know, the office out there in Terre Haute. But thank you for the observance as well for my wife and I's anniversary. That was right there. I really appreciated that. Terry, you and your wife, Estelle, great to meet you. I know it's not going to be the last. Tell Doug we're all coming down, okay, before the Supreme – that ought to shake his boots. But you meet all kinds of people in this Order you guys, and as Craig was saying, you know, take those experiences for everything you can and use them, use them as our Archbishop said, where there's charity, there's love. We need to be bold. We need to go out there and be bold about our charitable works and we need to wear the Order, the emblem whenever we're out there doing stuff. Teach our kids, you know, that's the important thing. That's getting lost in all the news that bad out there today. Where are the parents? You know, where are the parents with all their kids? If we raise our kids the right way, they're going to turn out just like we are here. So, that's what we got to look forward to. I know I always ask about everybody's kids and family first thing, and

everybody asks about mine. You know, they're growing big and bad, yeah, they're good, but they're successful and they're got great morals and values and they spread that themselves to their generation. So, the more we do that, the more we're going to grow, the more our legacy grows, okay. So, again, thank you all, have a wonderful drive home. Be safe. The sun is out, the last I saw. So, cherish that. You might need some sunglasses today and enjoy the rest of the weekend that you have and, as Craig was saying, think back, you know, as you get home the next couple days or this week and bring some of this back to the Council what you've experienced. It's really going to be worth it for them to want to come to the next one, okay. And Vivat Jesus and we'll see you again.

(Applause)

PZ: Thank you, Worthy Immediate Past State Deputy. The Chair now calls on Supreme Director, Terry Simonton for his closing thoughts and remarks. Please stand.

(Gavel raps three times)

(Applause)

TS: Okay. Worthy Associate Chaplain, State Deputy, State Officers, Vice Supreme Masters and Brothers All. For my first convention assignment, I couldn't be happier to have been in Indiana. It's super, guys.

(Applause)

I want to thank you all for your hospitality. Your hospitality is second to none. You remind me so much of your Brothers in Texas. We're the same, guys. I'm telling you. You're very friendly and you got a lot of fire. And thank you for your charity, for believing in charity, our first principle. I'm just so proud to call you Brother Knights. God bless you all and hope to see you in Minnesota.

(Applause)

PZ: Alright. Thank you, thank you, Worthy Supreme Director. Now, District Deputies, Directors, Chairmen, please pick up your mileage and per diem checks from State Treasurer after the meeting adjourns at the table to my left. The State Treasurer will mail Delegate mileage and per diem checks to their councils. A couple other things here. Councils, this is important, please remember the commitment you made this weekend to bring in two more new members this month and next, four total. Nothing is impossible with God. Remember that – nothing is impossible with God. Just keep asking. I know of some councils out there have had a hard time recruiting, haven't recruited anybody yet this year. I was thinking about that last night. What do I tell these guys? I don't have the answers to, you know, well, yeah, I kind of do. The answer is just keep on asking. Keep asking good Catholic men to join us, you know. Keep proudly showing off your Knights of Columbus emblem on your clothing as your doing good at works. You know, let them see what we're doing and we don't want people to see what we're doing for the sake of our glory, we want to let the light of Christ shine through us so others can come join us, okay? It's not for us that we do these things, it's for Christ and for his mission, the really big mission in life, okay. So, please, be proud of what we're doing. Let other guys know about it. Ask them to join us. You all have very

good councils and they want to join us. Sheila and I hope that you and your families enjoyed this Convention and it was well worth your time to be here. All the materials presented this weekend during the Convention will be posted to our website in the next couple of days. Use this information for the benefit of your councils. Let your Brother Knights know the good work that they do. Everyone of our councils is doing good work, and keep doing that good work to grow our Order in membership, charity, unity and fraternity, that it's really appreciated. You guys are truly the Knights of Charity.

A couple of business things. Some District Deputies, I need to see you after the meeting – District 20, District 19, District 26 I got stuff for you, and District 27 and 37, if you could stop by. I'm going to need some help from you with some transportation. I think that's all of it there. Oh, yes, yes. That was on my notes.

We had a special honor this Convention to have Past State Deputy, Stephan Ziemba, to be our Parliamentarian for this weekend. So, please, give Steve a round of applause.

(Applause)

And again, now we're giving thank you's, so give thank you to our Worth State Associate Chaplain, Reverend Father, Father Mick for being with us this weekend.

(Applause)

And again, thank you to our Supreme Representative, Supreme Director, Terry Simonton. Thank you. Thanks for being with us.

(Applause)

And now, certainly Sheila and I wish you safe travels home; we want to see you again.

Now I call on our State Chaplain, Father, State Associate Chaplain, Father Mick, to offer his closing thoughts and lead us in prayer. All stand.

MK: Please be seated. (Laughter) Sorry, relax. That's right, that's right, just like Mass.

For those of you, my Brother Knights, who have been at parishes where I served, you know that during this time of year, I always greet everybody with Christ is Risen...

ALL: Indeed, He is Risen.

MK: So, let's try that. So, the response is Indeed He is Risen. Christ is Risen.

ALL: Indeed, He is Risen.

MK: Fantastic. These have been fantastic days of prayer. These have been fantastic days of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. I just wanted to say that I offer my prayers every day for all of my Brother Knights here in Indiana and beyond. Please know that you can always call me, get ahold of me through my email. If there's anything I can do to help you, to pray for you, to support you, just today two of our Brother Knights came to me with messages I want to share briefly with you. One of our Brothers passed away this morning, Brother John Eagan, who is a member of the Council in Rensselaer –

Bishop Dwenger Council, is that right? – Bishop Dwenger Council, passed away this morning. So, please keep him in prayer. I'm sure that all of you probably know people who are close to that eventuality. Please keep them in prayer. One of our Brother Knights came to me this morning telling me about his wife is having some significant health challenges. We probably all know people who are having those significant health challenges. Part of being Knights of charity is praying for those in need. That's the one thing every single one of us can do that can form a conscious thought is pray for those in need, and that's the greatest sign of charity that we have. So, on behalf of Father Doug Hunter, who's not able to be with us today, please know that we pray for you and if there's anything we can do for you, please always call on us.

(Applause)

And now I'll ask you to stand and pray.

I don't think there's a better prayer that we can offer as we conclude our convention than calling on the Blessed Mother and so we pray in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed are thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen. Saint Theodore Guerin, pray for us, and may Almighty God bless you and your loved ones. The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PZ: Remain standing please. Thank you, Worthy State Associate Chaplain, Father Mick. Please remain standing for the Retiring of the Colors, and if we could have Mike Warden come up to lead us in singing the Closing Ode. The Colors will be retired by Bishop Chatard Assembly...

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PZ: ... 245 Color Guard.

?: Retrieve Colors. Return.

PZ: Okay. Mike, please come forward and lead us in singing the Closing Ode. The Closing Ode is printed on the back page, on the inside of the Convention Booklet cover. It's also projected on the screens.

ALL: (Singing Closing Ode)

PZ: Thank you, Mike. Thank you, Mike, for leading us in the Closing Ode. The Chair will now entertain a motion to adjourn the 118th Annual Meeting of the Indiana Jurisdiction.

AS: Worthy State Deputy.

PZ: DD33, Allan Stockinger.

AS: I make a motion that we close the 118th Indiana State Convention.

PZ: Is there a second? Ed?

EW: I second the motion. Ed Waldschmidt.

PZ: Council?

EW: 451.

PZ: 451. Is there any discussion? All those in favor of the motion, please say yes.

ALL: Yes.

PZ: Any opposed? Motion is approved.

(Gavel raps once)

I declare the meeting of the 118th Annual State Convention of the Indiana Jurisdiction hereby...

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