

**MINUTES OF THE  
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
IOWA STATE COUNCIL 105th ANNUAL CONVENTION  
MAY 4 – 7 2006  
Marriott Hotel  
Des Moines, Iowa**

**Saturday, May 4, 2006**

See attachment 1 for detailed schedule

State Deputy James Chambers called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. with State Secretary Michael Gaspers, State Treasurer Lawrence Mayer, State Advocate John Murray, State Warden Patrick O'Keefe, and State Chaplain Rev. Dennis Quint seated on the podium. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, State Warden O'Keefe reported all present were in possession of a valid 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree travel card.

The following Past State Deputies were introduced and seated in front of the assembly: Paul Smith (1966-1968), Frank Wilder (1974-1976), Robert Murphy (1982-1984), Francis Schlueter (1984-1986), James Murphy (1992-1994), Henry Fullick (1996-1998), David Bellendier (2000-2002), and IPSD Richard Makinster (2002-2004). Brother Bellendier was also seated as a Supreme Director. Supreme Warden Price Hatcher of the State of Colorado was welcomed as the representative of Supreme Knight Carl Anderson.

Former Governor Terry Brandstadt was introduced and addressed the delegates. He began by reminding all that he was a fellow Knight of Columbus and had lived in three (Dubuque, Des Moines, Sioux City) of the four Iowa Dioceses.

Brother Brandstadt continued his remarks highlighting the importance and strength of marriage reminding all how important it is to stand strong together as an organization and as individuals to protect this vital institution.

- UCCB endorsed marriage protection amendment defining marriage as the union of one man and one woman. It is critical to stand strong and steadfast in support of this vital institution Senate Vote coming up on June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Our own Iowa marriage law is under attack; so be vigilant and prepared to defend it.
- Support of the clergy commended along with work to promote vocations.

He ended with thanks to all for what is done by individuals and Knights councils in parishes across the state.

State Chaplain Rev. Dennis Quint led the opening prayer with 1<sup>st</sup> letter of Paul to the Corinthians reminding all of the diversity of gifts but one Spirit in the Lord. He continued "Creator God we thank you for the ways in which you have knit us together as one. We thank you for the unity we share as brother knights. We come from east and west, north and south. We are old and young, married and single. But we come together and unite ourselves to look after the widow, to support the handicapped, to foster those called to serve the church, to assist those who experience disabilities. We thank you for the apostolates that we share and pray that your

strength will guide us in our endeavors. Bless our meeting this day, endow us with the gifts of your spirit that we might continue follow your will and promote holiness among all your people.”

State Treasurer Mayer, with a second by Council 11392, made a motion to suspend the rules and accept the minutes of the 2005 Convention as printed. Motion carried.

Supreme Warden Price Hatcher delivered greetings from Supreme. Remarked about the family feeling he had experienced since arriving and how much he was looking forward to the rest of the convention.

State Advocate Murray extended a further thanks to Governor Brandstadt for his comments noting that they are key to us as Catholic men and as Knights. He then presented standing rules for the convention. (See attachment 2).

Council 8114 moved with a second by Council 2064 to approve the standing rules as printed.

State Advocate Murray extended an apology for the oversight resulting in no resolution proposed for Supreme Warden Price Hatcher.

Presentation and Discussion of Resolutions: State Advocate Murray presented 14 proposed resolutions by first reviewing the rules pertaining to the resolution process followed by presentation and discussion of each. 13 were salutary and 1 substantive. The substantive resolution was read in its entirety. (See attachment 3)

Amendment 14 Increase Mileage Rate (from \$0.18 to \$0.23/mile) and Per Diem (from \$50 to \$80 per day) for delegates and to increase assessment to all subordinate councils (by \$1.00 per year). Substantive resolution comments from State Secretary were offered that it has been a long standing tradition to cover some expenses of conducting business of the State Council. It is a demonstration of our principles of unity and fraternity. It's the executive committee's desire to not burden any member or council unduly in attendance of convention to conduct state business. This change will also permit reimbursement of state business at a more reasonable level and does not result in a net gain to the State Council budget.

Clarification was requested from 11038 as to the effective date if the resolution were to pass. The State Secretary offered an answer from the executive committee indicating it would take affect this next fiscal year. As a by law change the increase is contingent upon approval from the Supreme board of directors.

State Treasurer Mayer moved with a second by Council 1242 to temporarily adjourn for a report from the Iowa Knights of Columbus Charitable foundation.

Gavel passed to President of Iowa Knights of Columbus Charitable Foundation James Murphy.

It was moved by Council 12432 with a second by Council 2064 to approve the foundation minutes as presented. See report as Attachment A.

Meeting re-opened by State Deputy James Chambers at 10:15 am. Gavel turned over to State Treasurer Lorne Mayer for the Pennies for Heaven collection. \$19,000 plus was collected or

pledged. State Treasurer Mayer reported to all that 100% of all monies collected goes to vocations.

Best Container award to Council 5390 Marion as determined by State Chaplain Rev Quint and Supreme Warden Hatcher.

It was moved by Council 2021 with a second from Council 1506 to suspend the rules to permit guests and ladies to enter the meeting for the address from State Deputy Jim Chambers on the State of the State. Motion carried.

State Deputy Chambers gave a well rounded overview of the activities of the executive committee and the various service programs sponsored by the State Council. He was interrupted by applause 7 times.

It was moved by Council 11392 with a second by Council 1506 to accept the report as read. Motion carried. Copies of the address made available to all delegates.

Report from State Chaplain Rev. Quint: Thought "Know, love and serve in this life so we can be with Him in the next," was offered to the delegates for consideration. Father also reminded all to cultivate good spiritual lives and incorporate prayer at council meetings as a means to develop greater love of God. Spiritual development must be an important component of council life. This way all that we do continues to grow out of our deepening love for God.

It was moved by Council 8114 with second by 613 to accept the State Chaplain's report. Motion carried.

Report from State Treasurer Lorne Mayer: referenced report that can be found in the Pre-Convention Booklet on pages 12-13. It was moved by Council 8114 with a second by 838 to accept the State Treasurer's report as published. Motion carried.

Report from State Advocate John Murray: referenced report in pre-convention booklet on page 10. He also requested comments upon changes that were made in presentation of resolutions and standing rules. It was moved by Council 2326 with a second by Council 4968 to accept the State Advocate's report as published. Motion carried.

Report from the State Secretary Michael Gaspers: referenced report in the pre-convention booklet on pages 6 – 9. Updated the results to reflect 200 out of 216 councils for 1.6% gain totaling \$564,342. 136 out of 216 councils turned in the Partnership profile. Iowa tied for second in our division and resulted in \$5,500 from Supreme for Special Olympics. Noted that the important part of the PID is what we can do for them not what's in it for me. It was moved by Council 2021 with a second by Council 12482 to accept the State Secretary's report as published. Motion carried.

Report from State Warden Patrick O'Keefe: Referenced report in pre-convention booklet on page 11. He asked all delegates and guests present to introduce themselves to their neighbors. State Warden O'Keefe extended a big welcome to everyone present and expressed deep thanks to convention committee for outstanding work in preparation for convention. It was moved by Council 532 with a second from Council 1791 to accept the report of the State Warden as published. Motion carried.

Report from Past State Deputy and Fourth Degree Master Henry Fullick: referenced Fr. McGivney Guild report in the pre-convention booklet on page 20. PSD Fullick reported that there are currently 1638 members of the guild in Iowa.

Brother Fullick further reported on the 4<sup>th</sup> degree activities referencing the pre-convention booklet page 14. He proudly told all present that the exemplification from the day before was the second largest ever in the State of Iowa.

Report from Immediate Past State Deputy Richard Makinster on ceremonials began by recognizing all first degree team members present. New first degree books received. 187 councils in Iowa were on record of having first degree teams. Work on memorizing the new degree work and recommended keeping team members in their roles over the course of time. Don't forget to have backups. Supreme has authorized the use of sashes instead of robes. Make certain to dress up for the degree ceremonials.

PSD Makinster further reported only about 50% of first degree members are continuing to the honors of the major degrees. It is encouraged to hold all three degrees at the same time whenever possible, however don't stop having frequent first degrees.

Report from Round Tables Chairman Karl Wisbrock: Referenced report in pre-convention booklet page 19. Currently there are 76 round table coordinators named across the state of Iowa. Remember to submit the activity report by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Report from Keep Christ in Christmas Chairman Todd Speedy: Referenced report in pre-convention booklet page 17. He also reported that the goal was down a bit from last year. If every KC member would buy 1 box of cards there would be over 20,000 religious messages distributed all over this year. While at the podium Brother Speedy took a poll of all present who did not have their rosary with them. He collected \$1 from each towards the Keep Christ in Christmas fund.

Report from Pro-Life / Birthright Chairman Mike Becker: Referenced report in pre-convention booklet page 26.

State Chaplain Rev. Quint led the closing prayer and meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m. for lunch.

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The Saturday afternoon session was opened at 1:15 p.m. by State Deputy James Chambers followed by State Chaplain Quint giving the opening prayer. State Warden O'Keefe reported all present were in possession of 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree travel card.

State Deputy Chambers recognized PSD & Foundation Chairman Jim Murphy. PSD Murphy reported that District 17 Councils were contributing \$1,000 to the Foundation to establish the PID fund within it.

Report from Past State Deputy Francis Schleuter on the Knight Today: See his report on page 23 in the pre-convention booklet. Keep those pictures and reports coming in to him. Don't forget the next deadline is June 9<sup>th</sup> and it will feature this convention.

Report by Webmaster: Sly Upah announced that his report could be found on page 25 of the Pre-Convention Booklet. The web site is being used every day and we are seeing an increase in usage. IN 2003 there were 52K hits (visits to pages), followed by 04 with 154K, 05 with 162K and in 06 so far 95k. Brother Upah also announced that he was looking for someone to back up on maintaining the website.

Report from Membership Director Marvin Menke began with a strong statement: Now is the Hour, Today is the Day. What does this have to do with membership? It all starts now with each one of us. Upon your return home who will you ask to be a member of the Knights of Columbus? Membership is very important so "Shoot for the Stars" was his theme. If we have good programs that attract new members it will build more new membership. This past year the key people in membership growth for Brother Menke were Paul Menke and Gerry Rank. The balance of the Membership report is in the pre-convention booklet on page 15.

Report from New Council Development Chair Paul Menke: Good progress has been made on starting or reactivating new councils and the state has met their quota for each.

- Loras College Council 9224 was reactivated 11/17 with Father Haugen's help.
- Spanish language Council 13960 was formed in Muscatine 1/27 with the help of Father Troy Richmond & Barry Johnson
- St. Ambrose College Council 5676 was reactivated 3/10 with the help of Father Bob Gruss & Jerry Rank.
- Holy Trinity Council in Des Moines has formed a council and has not yet been assigned a number. Monsignor Chido was instrumental in forming this council.
- St. Joseph's in Columbus Junction is the site of the State's second Spanish language council this year. Again Father Troy Richmond as a great help as was Barry Johnson.
- These new councils account for 180 new members in our order this year.
- St. Mary's in Davenport is very near to completing a third Spanish language council.

Brother Menke concluded his report by challenging all the delegates to work hard toward making the circle of honor.

Report from Council Support Chairman East Don Burger and West James Murphy: Brother Burger reported that getting wives and husbands come to meetings together is a big help to keeping everyone involved. PSD Murphy reported that the key to keeping councils active & healthy is to plan and execute activities for church, community and youth. Referenced report in pre-convention booklet page 21.

Report from Council Director Thomas Thys: February 8<sup>th</sup> through March 25<sup>th</sup> Brother Thys' father was in the hospital and he passed away March 28<sup>th</sup>. Therefore he did not have a report to give. However there are 2 KC shirts for pop tabs. The winner will be determined by weight. Another drawing will be made for the Grand Knight of each active council and also for the District Deputy with every council in his district active for \$100 each.

Report from Insurance chair was given by GA's Gerry Bordeaux and Robert Squires and spoke from a Power Point presentation. Teamwork between Grand Knights, Councils and Field Agents was stressed as a key to success in recruiting new members to the Knights. Stress was placed upon creating a favorable attitude toward our insurance program among new members.

Report from Vocations Chairman State Treasurer Lorne Mayer: The official total of the Pennies for Heaven collection was \$22,552.38. His report can be found on pages 22-23 of the pre-convention booklet. He added that \$39,000 was given directly to seminarians and postulants.

Report from Youth Director John Beckman: Report can be found on page 16 of the pre-convention booklet. Youth programs help to keep councils strong by keeping members active with young folks. Over 6,000 young folks have participated in our programs this past year. Brother Beckman reminded all of the importance of turning in the participation forms and thanked all those councils who got theirs turned in.

Report from Squires Chairman Barry Johnson. Co-Chair Marvin Japel was excused at home sick with the flu. Brother Johnson referenced page 24 of pre-convention booklet for the complete report. He named the 5 current Squires circles in the State: Albia, Walker-Urbana, Pella, Sioux City, Des Moines Christ the King. New recognition program is being rolled out which stresses individual achievement.

Councils in Mount Pleasant & Keokuk have shown interest as have West Liberty, Muscatine. Peosta, Sioux City. Fill out the inquiry kits for information. One of the squire's chairmen will follow up with a visit.

Also page 10-11 of the latest Columbia magazine: Referenced an article about building up the Body of Christ and the role of promoting vocations as a key role for all of us.

Report from the Forms Chairman Kevin McKinney was that the Fraternal Survey turn in rate was at 97%; the semi-annual audit was a bit behind that level. He had a drawing for a VCR/DVD combo player from among all the councils having their reports in on time. Council 12193 won the drawing and District Deputy Jim Schwery also gets one.

Brother McKinney further related a near death experience he had recently and how important his rosary was during that period of time.

Report of the program Director Pat Kelly can be found on page 11 of the pre-convention booklet.

Report of the Camping Chairman: Director Don Bries thanked the state family for participation in the KC functions. Rest of the report is in the Pre-convention booklet page 19. This year another camp-out is being planned for the western part of the state. This will be in Storm Lake on June 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>. Mike Becker is coordinating

Report of the Archives Director: Director Bormann directed all to page 17 of the pre-convention booklet for his report. His role is to collect the history of the council's and their activities. Send him newsletters and reports as he is always looking for more information and would like to be busy. He is currently receiving about 73 newsletters from around the state. He is ready to begin compiling an update for our Iowa KC history book.

Report of Church Director: Chairman Ken Bauer reminded all of the Iowa Rosary of Christian Hope Wake booklets that are available and how it is one of our most important activities as Knights. He also spoke about the Da Vinci Code and that all should inform themselves about the inaccuracies contained therein. Brother Bauer directed all to the website

[www.jesusdecoded.com](http://www.jesusdecoded.com) for more information. Check the Iowa KofC website for other ideas of church activities. Brother Bauer continued by asking all to promote the recognition of all religious and thanked Fr. Quint for all his help. For all complete details see page 14 in the pre-convention booklet. Finally he concluded by giving directions for Mass.

Report by the Community Director: Chairman Jerry Wells reference his report on page 19 of the pre-convention booklet. Brother Wells commended the golf association for using the web site to promote their state tournament. He also reminded all to look for opportunities to put up pro-life billboards across the state. Assignment, take a digital picture of any that currently exist and email to Francis Schlueter. The images will be formatted and posted for all to see – probably on the website.

Report of the Perpetual Memorial Society Chairman: Chairman Jim Kestner referenced his report from page 26 of the pre-convention booklet. He reminded all to fill out the forms completely and legibly. March of this past year saw \$1,943 in memorials given. In the year 2005 donations amounted to over \$12,000. This year looks to be larger. Interest from this money is used for vocations. Reminded all to visit the memorial chapel and there they will find the enrollments into the society.

Report of the Public Relations Chairman: Brother Jim Nieman referenced his report on page 25 of the pre-convention booklet. He spoke about the importance of the council bulletin and making certain it was directed to the 90% of the membership that could not be at the meeting. Use every opportunity to use the church bulletin to thank the parish for its help and to report where money raised was given. See his article in the April Knight Lite on how to reach non-members.

Report by the Tours Director: Chairman Robert Murphy reported that 2 tours were currently in the works. From October 6-14 a group could travel to New Haven, Newport and Boston. Points of interest along the way included the KC museum and Yale University. A second tour will be traveling to Ireland on May 16-24.

The Training Chairman Terry Hermann rose to express thanks to everyone that helped around the state with the Iowa Area Leadership meetings. He referenced his report on page 20 in the pre-convention booklet.

Report on the 2007 Convention: State Deputy Chambers reported that the 106<sup>th</sup> State Convention will be held in Waterloo. Chairmen will be DD Ed Hau and Lee Voelschow. Brother Ed Hau, District Deputy, representing Council 700 and District 14 councils 4516, 8227, 12954 approached the podium and invited all delegates to come to Waterloo for the 2007 convention on May 4-6. It will be held at the 5 Sullivan Brothers Convention Center and the Ramada Inn Hotel. He guaranteed that everyone would have a good time.

Nomination for 2007 Convention: Brother Ken Kafton approached the podium on behalf of Danbury Council 2839, Garrigan Assembly 265 and the Council's in District 19 & 20 to propose that the site for the 2008 convention should be Sioux City. He spoke about the Catholic heritage of Sioux City and the Queen of Peace at Trinity Heights. That heritage is here to stay and here to see. Bid was seconded by Council 1579. Motion carried to award Sioux City the bid for the 2008 convention. Executive committee will take this under advisement.

Reminder to Vote on Display Tables: State Deputy Chambers reminded everyone to vote on display tables. Ballot and Credential committees met following the meeting.

Directions were given for a 4<sup>th</sup> degree parade to be held just prior to Mass.

State Chaplain Rev. Quint led the closing prayer. His reflection dwelled upon the cross we are all called to carry. Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

### **Sunday, May 7, 2007**

State Deputy Chambers called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Most Reverend Bishop Joseph Charron led the opening prayer. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, State Warden O'Keefe reported that all present were in possession of a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree travel card.

Report from Credentials Committee and State Secretary Michael Gaspers: The State Secretary met with GK Robert Puetz 1466 & GK Daniel Heitman 2326. Registered in attendance are 6 State Officers, 1 Immediate Past State Deputy, and 266 Delegates for a total of 273 voting delegates. Non-voting included 1 Supreme Representative, 1 Past Supreme Director, 7 Past State Deputies (including previously mentioned), 1 Administrative Assistant, 23 District Deputies, 23 Program Directors and Chairman, 3 General Agents, 20 Field Agents, 1 former State Chaplain and 1 former administrative assistant. This is a grand total of 353 in attendance. It was moved by Council 9726 with second by Council 11392 to approve the credentials report. Motion carried. (See attachment 4).

State Secretary Gaspers polled the districts for seating of delegates for voting. There were 261 voting delegates.

Nomination for Delegates to Supreme Convention: Delegates nominated to the Supreme Convention in Chicago, IL are as follows:

- Henry Fullick Council 707 (Ins.) by PSD Frank Wilder
- Michael Becker Council 3810 (Ins.) by PSD David Bellendier
- Lud Svoboda Council 11942 (Ins.) by Steven Powers
- Pat Kelly Council 11643 (Ins.) by PSD David Bellendier
- Allan Lansink Council 10864 (Ins.) by PSD Jim Murphy
- Don Clark Council 10805 (Ins.) by John Beckman
- Joseph Ramirez Council 13159 (Ins.) by Bob Larsen
- Kenton Heurtz Council 12422 (Assoc.) by Dan Werner
- Richard Jacoby Council 1506 (Ins.) by Tom Thys
- Rev. Dennis Quint Council 12954 (Ins.) by Francis Schlueter
- Mark Nixa Council 11392 (Assoc.) by Gerald Reinert
- Tom Gilmore Council 999 (Ins.) by Jim Schwery
- Todd Speedy Council 10768 (Ins.) by Richard Nelson
- Wiley Plummer Council 13084 (Ins.) by Ed Rumpsa
- Chuck Luster Council 5390 (Ins.) by Roy Tangeman
- Rick Garneau, Jr Council 12482 (Ins.) by Joseph Ramirez

State Treasurer Mayer made a motion with a second by Council 11392 that nominations be closed. Motion carried. Delegates were instructed to vote for 8 Supreme Convention Delegates. Ballots were collected by State Warden O'Keefe & assistants and turned over to the Ballot Committee for tabulation.

Rev. Dennis Quint was called to the podium by State Deputy Chambers and presented with \$407 from the mass collection.

Voting on Resolutions: State Advocate Murray read the Resolutions. State Secretary Gaspers moved to suspend the standing rules and have resolutions #1 and #2 read in their entirety. Council 81174 made a second. Motion carried by two thirds.

1. Dedication of Convention (passed by voice vote)
2. Declaration of Principles (passed by voice vote)
3. In Memory and for the Beatification of the Holy Father, Pope John Paul II (passed by voice vote)
4. Beautification of Fr. Michael J. McGivney (passed by voice vote)
5. Welcome & pledge of support to Bishop R. Walker Nickless (passed by voice vote)
6. Appreciation of Clergy (passed by voice vote)
7. Salutation to Bishop Joseph L. Charron (passed by standing ovation)
8. Salutation to State Chaplain Rev. Dennis Quint (passed by standing ovation)
9. Salutation to Supreme Chaplain Bishop William E. Lori (passed by voice vote)
10. Salutation to Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson (passed by voice vote)
11. Salutation to Supreme Director David A. Bellendier (passed by standing ovation)
12. Salutation to State Deputy James L. Chambers (passed by standing ovation)
13. Appreciation of Host Committee and Wives (passed by voice vote)
14. Increase Mileage Rate and Per Diem (Passed)

Call for Nominations for Office of State Deputy: State Deputy Chambers called for nominations for State Deputy. PSD Henry Fullick nominated Michael P. Gaspers. Council 3810 with a second by Council 11038 moved that nominations cease and unanimous ballot be cast for the office of State Deputy. Motion carried.

State Deputy Acceptance: Michael Gaspers, State Deputy-Elect, addressed the State council thanking them for the confidence placed in him.

Call for Nominations for Office of State Secretary: State Deputy Chambers called for nominations for State Deputy. PSD David Bellendier nominated Patrick T. O'Keefe. Council 11643 with a second by Council 12482 moved that nominations cease and unanimous ballot be cast for the office of State Secretary. Motion carried.

Call for Nominations for Office of State Treasurer: State Deputy Chambers called for nominations for State Treasurer. PSD Paul Smith nominated Lawrence G. Mayer. Council 743 with a second by Council 4968 moved that nominations cease and unanimous ballot be cast for the office of State Treasurer. Motion carried.

Call for Nominations for Office of State Advocate: State Deputy Chambers called for nominations for State Advocate. GK 2839 Dan Heitman nominated John M. Murray. Council 2021 with a second by State Treasurer Mayer moved that nominations cease and unanimous ballot be cast for the office of State Advocate. Motion carried.

Call for Nominations for Office of State Warden: State Deputy Chambers called for nominations for State Warden.

- GK 10768 Richard Nelson nominated Todd J. Speedy
- IPSD Richard Makinster (5390) nominated Michael P. Laake
- PSD & FM Frank Wilder (4148) nominated Karl C. Wisbrock

Council 5544 with a second by Council 909 moved that nominations cease. Motion carried. Balloting commenced and Michael P. Laake was announced the State Warden elect.

Call for Nominations for Position of Third Degree representative to the Executive Committed: State Deputy Chambers called for nominations:

- PSD Francis Schlueter nominated Joseph Ramirez
- Webmaster Sly Upah (2230) nominated Terry Hermann
- PSD David Bellendier (5390) nominated Michael Becker
- PSD Jim Murphy (2064) nominated Barry Johnson
- State Friar Monsignor Leo Feeney nominated Gerry Rank

Council 11392 with a second by Council 8114 moved that nominations cease. Motion carried. Balloting commenced and Joseph Ramirez and Barry Johnson were declared the top vote getters and thus elected to the Executive Committee.

Election Results for Delegates to Supreme Convention: The following were elected to attend the Supreme Convention this year in Dallas, TX (numbered in order of vote totals):

- | <u>Insurance</u>        | <u>Associate</u>            |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Henry W. Fullick     | 5. Allen R. Lansink         |
| 2. Michael J. Becker    | 6. Donald E. Clark          |
| 3. Ludwig J. Svoboda    | 7. Joseph A. Ramirez        |
| 4. Patrick L. Kelly     | 8. Kenton E. Heuertz        |
| <u>Alternate Ins.</u>   | <u>Alternate Assoc.</u>     |
| 9. Rev. Dennis J. Quint | 13. Richard J. Garneau, Jr. |
| 10. Richard L. Jacoby   | 14. Charles F. Luster       |
| 11. Todd J. Speedy      | 15. Tom J. Gilmore          |
| 12. Mark J. Nixa        | 16. Wiley D. Plummer        |

A motion was made by Council 8114 with a second by Council 613 to destroy the ballots for Warden. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council 11392 with a second by Council 838 to destroy the ballots for Supreme delegates. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council 12954 with a second by Council 1506 to destroy the ballots for Supreme delegates. Motion carried.

State Deputy elect Michael Gaspers addressed the delegates thanking them for their support. He asked for their continued support and prayers for the success of the Iowa Knights of Columbus. He quoted a passage from "The Parish Priest"

Gaspers hoped only to do as well as those who have gone before. He finished by announcing his motto: "United in Faith: Witness to God's Love"

Council Activities Director Thomas Thys reported that there were 141 active councils defined as having recruited at least one member. Each active council was placed into a drawing for \$100. State Deputy Chambers drew out Council 1045 from District 38. Grand Knight Keith A. Wirtz. Following this each district deputy with all councils in his district active were put into a drawing. State Deputy Chambers drew out District Deputy 27 Roy Tangeman for another \$100.

Brother Thys extended a large thank-you to Richard Jacoby for his assistance while his father was dying. This is just another example of true fraternity and charity in action.

State Secretary addressed the delegates next on the marriage bill before the Senate. Postcards were handed to all the delegates requesting them to fill in one of Iowa's two Senators. The postcards would be collected at the end of the business meeting and the State Council would pay to have them mailed.

#### Report of Pro-Tem Committees:

Immediate Past State Deputy Makinster read "Greetings to the Hierarchy" from the Education Committee. The document was signed by all Past State Deputies present. A copy of the document will be sent to all the Bishops. Motion made by Council 700 with a second by Council 12482 to accept the report as read. Motion carried. (See attachment 5).

The "Good of the Order" committee report was presented by Jerry Wells. The committee commended the leadership for its excellence in the areas of programming & membership, in respect & support of the church and of our Holy Father, bishops & priests. The strongest recommendation by the committee was that the State Council and all individual Knights must be open to all other ethnic backgrounds seeking to build a better life in Iowa. (See Attachment 6 for full report) Motion made by Council 2818 with a second by Council 8676 to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

Mileage and Per Diem Committee: Program Director Pat Kelly reported that no discrepancies were found in the published mileage and per diem document. (See attachment 7 for report). Motion made by Council 12448 with a second by Council 1466 to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

Tony Slack, Council 12130 Granger presented the Audit Committee Report: Everything was found to be in order. (See attachment 8 for report). Motion made by Council 10768 with a second by Council 12131 to accept the report as read. Motion carried.

A drawing was held for raffle prizes with State Chaplain Rev. Quint selecting ticket stubs. The winners are as follows:

- DVD player: Phyllis Sullivan

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- Portable Weber grill: Tim King
- Car Tires: Ed von Boeck
- PNG Golf driver: Russ Kunzi
- PNG irons: Rita (Fr. Quint's home parish – he will deliver)
- 42" Flat Screen TV: Frank Drevs 10864

A drawing was held for prizes from the insurance general agents. The winners are as follows:

- Coffee mug: Mark Flanders
- Mag Flashlight: Todd Speedy
- Golf balls: Kathleen Lippold
- Small thermos: Neal Seuntjens
- PC bag: Jim Versino

Tom Thys took the podium to report on the pop can pull tabs. The most collected wins 2 shirts. 5390 Marion had 12 ¼ pounds so the Grand Knight gets one of the shirts and the District Deputy gets the other. There was a total of 66 pounds of tabs collected.

Administrative Assistant Roy Bills directed the District Deputies to hand out envelopes to Delegates to address and return to the AA for payment. Supreme Convention Delegates are to meet with him at the close of the meeting to pick up the forms necessary to register.

Final Remarks: State Deputy Chambers thanked all for participating in the convention. He is looking forward to further service to the order in Iowa in the coming year. Special thanks was extended to the host committee and councils that put on a great convention.

Final Comments and Closing Prayer by State Chaplain Rev Quint.

Convention adjourned by State Deputy Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael P. Gaspers  
State Secretary