



# Knights of Columbus

Mary, Queen of Peace Council 12072



Newsletter

Apr. 2026

## Exemplification:

The Council held an exemplification before the April Meeting Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup>. We inducted two new members and advanced two members to their 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. Standing in the rear of the below photo is the induction officers and seated are the members who went through their exemplification. New members are Dr Paul Parker and Dr David Dragon. Making their 3<sup>rd</sup> degree were Darren Nunez and Benjamin Davis III.



## Information on Special Olympics:

Prior to our meeting we had a speaker from Special Olympics, Mrs. Martha Schubert who gave us information on the upcoming Special Olympics Games. They will be held at Southeastern University on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday May 22/23/24. It will have Louisiana and Mississippi participating in these games with the anticipation of 1000 athletes. There are many opportunities to get involved with many different games. You have to sign-up if you are planning on helping with any of the tournaments. Our council volunteers for cooking on Friday for their dinner and for the Bocce Ball tournaments on Saturday and Sunday, but there are other games you can also sign up for. Anyone one interested in helping with the cooking, contact Brother Wiley Conn [wileyc@e-commenergy.com](mailto:wileyc@e-commenergy.com), 504-722-7860

To obtain information on other tournaments and activities go to the following link.  
<https://bit.ly/2026StateSummerGamesVolunteer>

Tim Helbling is asking you to help with Bocce at the state games. The competitions have moved indoors which makes it much more comfortable and safer for the athletes and volunteers. Indoor competitions will be moved to the Pennington Student Activity Center which will allow room for us to simultaneously run ten bocce pits. Running ten bocce pits allows an even bigger change which will be to run all bocce competitions in a single day. Both the Men's and Women's Singles games will take place Saturday morning with Mixed Doubles taking place Saturday afternoon.

An information sheet with bocce volunteer registration instructions is at the end of this newsletter. Please respond ASAP if you are available. (If you already volunteered directly to Tim or through our council or other organization, no need to reply.)

I will send detailed instructions for bocce to volunteers a few days before the event.

Timothy Helbling <[timhe...@bellsouth.net](mailto:timhe...@bellsouth.net)>

## Council Report:

The April meeting was held in the School Cafeteria on Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup>. We Prayed the Rosary (the Glorious Mystery) and had a meal (Grilled Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, and Coleslaw), which was prepared by Brother Wiley's cooking team. We followed up with the Council meeting.

## SATURDAY MORNING 7 AM ROSARY

Brother Steve Fradella is grateful for those attending the Saturday Morning Rosary for the unborn. He has seen improved attendance especially since it is starting at 7 am. You can come any time after 7. It usually ends by 8:15/8:20. Brother Steve sends an Email every Friday reminding everyone of this prayer session. Once and possibly twice a month we will have adoration. He asked for one Saturday a Month from Brothers.

## Thursday Evening Prayers & ROSARY By Larry Fertitta, PGK

Brothers, I invite you to join me on Thursdays at 7pm for Evening Prayers. This consists of Vespers from the Liturgy of the Hours and the Holy Rosary. This prayer service is broadcast on Radio Maria USA and the website is [radiomaria.us](http://radiomaria.us). After validating your identity, on the home page click on the ONAIR button in the upper right-hand corner. From there click on the right arrow which is the play button.

## Awards:

Family of the Month April  
Mike and Maria Mire

Knight of the Month April  
Peter Beach

Knight and Family of the Month  
of March 2026



Gerard Doyle presenting Knight of the Month of March to Dan Gaeinnie



Gerard Doyle presenting Family of the Month of March to Bob Taylor



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## Director of Men's Ministry

Brother Ty Talamo has taken over the position of Director of Men's Ministry at Mary Queen of Peace. This is a parish ministry but Ty stated that the Knights of Columbus are a backbone of this parish and he plans on relying heavily on the Knights to help him accomplish his duties.

## Users

Brother Wiley Conn is still asking for some Knights to become Ushers at the Mass they normally attend. Always, more are needed.

## Seminarian Mission Raffle:

We sold tickets for the Seminarian Mission Fund to members and at the Fish Fries. We sold over 210 tickets. The funds are used for the Notre Dame Seminary and the St. Joseph Seminary for their Seminarian Mission Trips. There are five prizes, with the Grand Prize being \$5000. Drawing will be in May, 2026. This is a State wide project sponsored by the State Council, and all councils participate.

## Fish Fries:

We began our Fish Fries February 20<sup>th</sup> and went through the six weeks, with each week's sales being just over 600 meals, except for the second week which was 804. We averaged 657 meals per week. We netted around \$22,000 for our general fund. We also had a tip jar which netted around \$500.

For the last week we experimented with the addition of a drive thru, selling only combo meals of fried fish and shrimp. We sold around 60 meals. Inside we also offered a Super Coop special of a seafood plater which included a softshell crab at a cost of \$25 during the last week. We limited it to 50 meals. It went over well.

We had a follow-up meeting to the Fish Fries to discuss issues which occurred through the six weeks. Leaders of each group were present and had a voice. It was not intended to go into solutions. Prior to next season a meeting will be called to discuss solutions to the issues observed.

## Appreciation Crawfish Boil:

For all the men and ladies who worked tirelessly at our Fish Fries this season, our Knights of Columbus Council will be offering anyone who worked any day of the Fish Fry to attend a crawfish boil on May 16<sup>th</sup>. It will be held under the School Pavilion and will be after the 4 pm Mass. For those who can, we will be setting up, starting at 4 pm. Probably start serving at 5 pm. More details may come.

## Christ in Chaos Meals

Our council has committed to cooking and serving the meals for Christ in Chaos on the first Monday of each month. The cooking team provided their expertise. The next meal will be May 4<sup>th</sup>, which will be the last of the season.

Coordinator is Wiley Conn [wileyc@e-connenergy.com](mailto:wileyc@e-connenergy.com), 504-722-7860

## The Blue House

(A new Opportunity)

Brother Wiley Conn was informed of a food kitchen which serves meals every Thursday in Covington. They know not what they will be serving each Thursday and leaves it up to our savior to provide. There is one Sister who is running this facility with the help of about 5 volunteers. Brother Wiley brought several quarts of chicken and sausage gumbo for one of their Thursday meals and they were very appreciative. Sometimes all they have to offer is sandwiches. He plans to make this a regular quarterly activity to provide some food for them.

Wiley Conn [wileyc@e-connenergy.com](mailto:wileyc@e-connenergy.com), 504-722-7860

## Pancake Breakfast:

There was a pancake breakfast on Palm Sunday. There was an Eater Bunny (Brother Alex Grahm) for anyone wanting to take pictures. We had pancakes, and egg casseroles, bacon or sausage, coffee, juice, milk and Mimosas. It was a great deal. The cost was \$8 Adults and \$5 per Child. We had low attendance, maybe because of Palm Sunday. This was a fundraiser for Hope House. We barely broke even; however, we will give Hope House a contribution out of our general fund.

## Stations of the Cross

The Council was asked to help at the outdoor Stations of the Cross on Good Friday handing out water bottles. Brother Wiley Conn coordinated this and set up four stations with ice chest of water to hand out to parishioners as they pass by. He had several Brother Knights volunteer.

## Nomination & Election of Officers

We started nominations of officers at the April meeting. We will close the nominations at the May meeting, then have the election of officers. The following are the nominations so far. If you are interested in being an officer of this council, please let the Grand Knight know so you can be nominated. Grand Knight, Lloyd Alberts, [lalberts119@gmail.com](mailto:lalberts119@gmail.com) (504) 494-0213

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|------------------------|-------------------|
| Chaplain --            | Fr Robert Cooper, |
| Grand Knight --        | Wiley Conn,       |
| Deputy Grand Knight -- | Tony Pastorello   |
| Chancellor --          | John Cook,        |
| Recorder --            | Gerard Doyle      |
| Treasurer --           | Cliff Giffin,     |
| Advocate --            | Bill McCrossen,   |
| Warden --              | Chris Erkel,      |
| Inside Guard --        | Doug Viosca,      |
| Outside Guard --       | Jay Berger,       |
| Trustee 1 year --      | Mike Cradeur,     |
| Trustee 2 year --      | John Tomba        |
| Trustee 3 year --      | Lloyd Alberts     |

## Installation of Officers

The installation of officers will take place at Benedicts. The installations will include Council 12072 and Assembly 2922. This will be Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.



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## Dinner for Trivia Nights

The Knights prepared a dinner for 150 people of chicken and sausage jambalaya for Trivia Nights put on by Mary Queen of Peace parish on Friday April 24<sup>th</sup>. Coordinated of this was Brother Wiley Conn [wileyc@e-connenergy.com](mailto:wileyc@e-connenergy.com), 504-722-7860

## Teachers Appreciation Lunch

The Knights will prepare a Lunch for the Teachers of Mary Queen of Peace School in appreciation of what they do for our students on Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>. Coordinating of this is Brother Wiley Conn [wileyc@e-connenergy.com](mailto:wileyc@e-connenergy.com), 504-722-7860

## TMIY Fishing Rodeo:

Join us for FREE fishing, food, fellowship, and fun sponsored by the Northshore chapters of That Man Is You @ St. Peter, Mary Queen of Peace, St. Anselm, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Latin Mass Community, and Our Lady of the Lake. We'll have fishing poles, bait, lures, and weighing stations plus breakfast, lunch, certificates, and prizes.

WHO: All are invited - moms, dads, aunts, uncles, grandparents -- and especially kids!

WHAT: Bank fishing only - no boats. Fishing license required if 16 or older.

WHEN: 7 am to 12 noon - Saturday May 9, 2026

WHERE: Water Street on the Tchefuncte River, Madisonville, west bank of the river south of Highway 22

You must per register, see the Parish Connection Friday Email for a link to register.

Questions? Email [TMIY@stanselparish.org](mailto:TMIY@stanselparish.org)

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection:

There will be a Household Hazardous Waste Collection at the Covington Fair Grounds on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. It will be limited to 600 cars and they have to register to enter. Our council normally has several Knight who volunteer for this event. Knights that wish to participate can meet at MQP so we can carpool or you can drive directly to the Fairgrounds. The group will depart MQP **NO LATER THAN 7:15 AM** as there is a brief safety meeting that volunteers must attend prior to the start of the event at 8 AM..

You are welcome to bring any items that you wish to dispose of to the event and we will unload the items toward the end of the event.

Advise Chris by email or text if you plan on participating for this event.

Coordinating this is Brother Chris Erkel [cerkel@icloud.com](mailto:cerkel@icloud.com) 630-1512

See a Flyer at the end of this Newsletter.

## Membership Report:

If you know anyone wishing to take advantage of the free membership offer, they can join online at [KofC.org/JoinUs](http://KofC.org/JoinUs), using promo code **BlessedMcGivney** – use Council 12072 as the Preferred Council.

One must then attend an exemplification, online or attend in person at one of the monthly meetings. If they attend online, tell them to reply to the verification email sent to their email address after they complete the exemplification.

### Virtual Degree exemplification link;

[https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1359367&tp\\_key=9eb24b3a45&sti=on24referral](https://goto.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1359367&tp_key=9eb24b3a45&sti=on24referral)

Contact, Membership Director.

Mike Rohm [mwrohml@gmail.com](mailto:mwrohml@gmail.com), 504-250-4049

## Financial Secretary Report:

Council dues are \$50 and are due every July 1. **Brothers, it is most important for you to pay your dues and back dues.** The dues along with the Fish Fry Fundraiser are the only means to support our donations throughout the year. If you can't pay your dues, please let our Financial Secretary know that you are financially unable to do so. If you have any questions contact the Financial Secretary.

D.J. Latino [985-869-0753](tel:985-869-0753) [dji0431@gmail.com](mailto:dji0431@gmail.com)

Send Dues; made out to Knights of Columbus Council 12072

**To: Knights of Columbus Council 12072**  
1501 West Causeway Approach  
Mandeville, LA 70471- 3047

## Patriotic (4th) Degree Information –

For those of you that are interested in becoming a Fourth Degree Sir Knight, please read the information later in this newsletter. There will be an exemplification in Houma on May 23, 2026. That location will probably be your closest opportunity in becoming a Sir Knight. The Fourth Degree District will be giving away Fourth Degree uniforms to two lucky candidates as well as a sword to another candidate. The cost for the candidate will be \$35 as our assembly will pick up the difference. There is a \$20 charge for guests. If interested, please contact Bill McCrossen. Do not fill out any forms or send any money until you speak to him first. There are certain procedures that we have to go through.

Bill McCrossen Membership Director [770-354-5379](tel:770-354-5379)

Louisiana Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Assembly 2922

See Flyer information at the end of this Newsletter.



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## Patriotic Essay Contest Winner

The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly held an Essay contest in late 2025. The 7<sup>th</sup> graders were to write an Essay on “**Do you believe Patriotism is well and alive in today’s society**” There were 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>, place winners. Each receiving a certificate and a gift card. The 1<sup>st</sup> place winner, Lauren Juul, went on to the Diocesan competition and won 1<sup>st</sup> place in our Dioceses. She received a certificate and \$200 check, presented by Sir Knight DJ Latino and principal and brother Knight Tom Huck.



## Future Calendar Items:

- **Pro-Life Rosary** All Saturday's 7 AM @ MQP Church
- Household Hazardous Waste 5/2 in Covington Fairgrounds
- Christ in Chaos meal – Monday May 4<sup>th</sup>
- Teacher Appreciation Lunch – Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>
- TMIY Fishing Rodeo in Madisonville – May 9<sup>th</sup>
- Appreciation Crawfish Boil – May 16<sup>th</sup>
- Installation & Dinner – Benedicts June 18<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30

## Prayers:

(If you, a brother Knight, or your immediate family member is in need of prayers, please email, Nick Lonergan, at [nlonergan@yahoo.com](mailto:nlonergan@yahoo.com) so they can be added to this list.)

### Prayers for those in Ukraine;

With the conflict happening in Ukraine today PRAY for the council’s two Ukrainian Priest, as well as all affected by the invasion in their country. They have requested we pray for them. Please add them to your prayer list.

- **Auxiliary Bishop Andriy Khimyak**
- **Reverend Oleh Kharyshyn and his family**

### Prayers for those in conflict around the world

### Prayers for the departed souls;

- Wayne Jenkins – Br. Bryan Jenkins brother Passed away Jan 19, 2025
- Wade Bollette Sr.– Father of Br. Wade Bollette Jr. passed Jan 21, 2025
- Steven Dugal – passed away February 3, 2025
- Steve Fredilla’s mom Claire, passed away February 10, 2025
- Ed DiGiovanni passed away March 5, 2025
- Yvonne Bourgeois – wife of Dennis Bourgeois passed March 21,2025
- Samuel Carraway – Passed away October 24, 2025
- Hugh King – Passed away January 12, 2026
- Candy Fitch – Wife of Tom Fitch March 10, 2026
- Frank’s daughter-in-laws Allison Courtenay March 16, 2026
- Richard “Dick” Hages – passed away March 24, 2026
- Ed McCranen – Passed away March 31, 2026

### Prayers for those in need;

- Dulci Heim (Jim Moore’s niece) – Colon Cancer
- Bob Guise – Alzheimer’s
- Jean-Paul Sustental – MSRA
- Keri Beckendorf – Leukemia
- Susan Petro – Terminal PTA a neurological problem
- Irv Barousse – Stroke
- Charlie Raymond – Broken femur after fall
- Sandy Raymond - Cancer
- Rhett Powers – Assisted Living
- Donna Tomba – Cancer
- Melody Verges – Cancer
- Tara Huguét – Cancer
- Jakie Starks – Stroke
- Linda Vernaci -

### Next Council Meeting is Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026

- In Mary, Queen of Peace Cafeteria
- Exemplification at 6:00 pm ????
- Rosary at 6:30 pm
- Meal at 7:00 pm
- Council Meeting at 7:30 pm



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## Insurance

Our acting insurance agent is David Barnes, FIC, CLTC  
 He is the General Agent for our area.  
 If you have any insurance needs or questions, please contact him.

### He is looking for full time insurance agents for the Knights of Columbus.

If we suggest a viable candidate that he hires, he will give the council \$250  
 If the candidate stays for 3 months, he will give an additional \$250  
 If the candidate stays for 6 months, he will give an additional \$250





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## Name Badges

We're all frequently asked to wear name badges and K of C items, especially at volunteer or recruitment events. Have you ever thought how the benefit of wearing our badges goes far beyond these events? Even if you do not work an event, your badge shows your participation.

When you wear your name badge at a church event, parishioners can immediately identify you. They see a trusted person who can answer questions or lend a hand.

Your name badge brands you. It tells everyone you encounter that you are a man of faith, a man of character, a man willing to lend a hand. In short, it tells everyone that you are Knights of Columbus.

You joined the Knights of Columbus, show your pride in it.

## Join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild -

The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild serves as a source for information about the life, works and spirituality of Father McGivney. The Guild distributes informational materials about him, receives reports of favors granted through his intercession and oversees the distribution of relics. Guild members receive regular updates on the progress of Father McGivney's cause for canonization and are invited to participate in promoting devotion to this Servant of God. Members of the Knights of Columbus are not automatically Guild members and must elect to join the Guild. The Father Michael J. McGivney Guild Newsletter is published bimonthly except July- August, and is sent free to Guild members. To join the Guild, go to the below web site, fill out the information and submit it. There is no cost to belong,

[Father Michael J. McGivney Guild | Knights of Columbus \(fathermcgivney.org\)](http://fathermcgivney.org)

## Parish Information:

**Formed.org:** Did you know you can watch movies and videos on formed.org? This is free, as MQP has paid for this access. Visit: [mqpmandiville.formed.org](http://mqpmandiville.formed.org)

## **Officers 2025 – 2026**

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Lecturer – Bryan Jenkins,  
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## KC Apparel - Shirts, Hats, and Aprons:

The link to the website for ordering apparel (Shirts, Aprons, Hats, etc). -- <https://kc12072.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

The council has some Screen Printed WORK T-Shirts, which have the KC Council Logo on the Front with a Large KC Logo printed on the back. They are a light gray. Frank brings them to the meeting for sale at \$20 each. These cannot be ordered online from the Web Site. Contact Frank Oliveri 630-1753 [foliveri05@yahoo.com](mailto:foliveri05@yahoo.com)

## Safe Environment Trainin

Brother Knights, it is our responsibility as Knights to comply with the Archdioceses rules on Safe Environment training for all ministry volunteers that have contact with juveniles. You need to log into your Virtus online account through the Archdiocese of New Orleans, and complete policies related to Safe Environment Training. The policies need to be updated each year in August. The Archdiocese uses VIRTUS for the training. Contact Kari Doyle in the school office for help.

## **Program Directors 2025-2026**

Program Director, Wiley Conn  
[wileyc@e-connergy.com](mailto:wileyc@e-connergy.com), 504-722-7860  
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**May 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>**

# **State Summer Games**

**Southeastern  
Louisiana University**

**500 W. University Ave.,  
Hammond, LA**

**Volunteer  
With Us!**



Register to Volunteer



[www.specialolympicsla.org](http://www.specialolympicsla.org)



800.345.6644





## 2026 Special Olympics – Louisiana State Games

Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA

May 23, 2026

### **Bocce Competition**

Volunteers are needed at the Louisiana State Games in Hammond. This event has been run by Louisiana Knights of Columbus since 2013 with several Councils participating each year.

#### **Bocce will be indoors again this year, running 10 bocce pits, in the Pennington Center.**

Bocce will be held indoors again this year but moving to the Pennington Student Activity Center to provide additional space to run ten bocce pits. The Men's and Women's Singles competitions will both be run Saturday morning and the Mixed Doubles competition will be run Saturday afternoon requiring 150+ volunteers.

**This is open to members/spouses and teen+ family members.**

**Deadline:** Advance sign up required. Respond ASAP to ensure availability of desired shift(s). Council and other group coordinators are requested to provide initial counts ASAP and follow up with any changes if needed.

**Shifts:** Saturday morning, May 23, 2026, 7:30 – 12:00 am  
Saturday afternoon, May 23, 2026, 1:00 – 4:30 pm

**Submittal:** The following information is required with your response:

Name:

Birthdate: – *used by Louisiana Special Olympics as eligibility for some grants.*

e-mail:

Shift(s): – *you may commit to multiple shifts*

T-shirt size: – *shirts provided by Louisiana Special Olympics*

Phone: – *cell phone if you will have it with you on day of event*

KC council, school, church, organization: – *if applicable*

**Location:** Pennington Student Activity Center, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA

**Contact:** Tim Helbling, [TimHelbling@bellsouth.net](mailto:TimHelbling@bellsouth.net), 985.710.5300



**FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2026**  
**IN HONOR OF:**  
**BISHOP SIMON PETER ENGURAIT**  
**DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX**

**HOSTED BY**

District of Louisiana

Fr. Vanderbilt Assembly #2322

St. Bernadette's Church Facility

409 Funderburk Ave, Houma, LA 70364

Exemplification is open to all Family and Public Candidates  
 cost \$70.00 and Banquet Tickets are \$20.00 each.  
 Everyone must Register to attend



**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

May 23, 2026: 9:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.— Registration

10:45 A.M. Master's Address to Candidates

11:00A.M.- 12:30 A.M. Exemplification

1:00P.M.- 2:00P.M. Banquet



**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATE**

\* Candidate fee to participate is \$70.00

- 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Lapel Pin
- Certificate suitable for framing
- 1- Banquet meal
- 1- Ticket for a chance to win a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Sword

**PLEASE NOTE:**

To ensure that documents and registration are complete, and certificates are correct, please submit the completed and properly signed Form 4's by the **deadline to the District Master prior to May 15, 2026**. Candidates are to make checks payable to their Assembly. The Assembly will make one check for all candidates, members, and guests to: George Martin District Master

**Please remit fees for Exemplification to:**

**George Martin District Master**  
**405 4<sup>th</sup> St. Broussard, LA 70518**

**Prior to Exemplification Deadline Date, if not the Assembly will pay \$10.00 extra per person on late forms or registration. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT DISTRICT MASTER George Martin, CELL PHONE: 337-552-5769**

EMAIL: [pgkddgsm7557@gmail.com](mailto:pgkddgsm7557@gmail.com)



**Dress Code: Candidates as described below:**

Dark Blue, Grey or Black business suit (Slacks and sport coats are not acceptable), white dress shirt with lay down collar (no collar buttons); tie; dark socks; and dress shoes. If you have a sport coat, tie, slacks, dress shoes or boots and button up shirt is acceptable. No Jeans, T-shirts or tennis shoes.



**Dress Code Exceptions (for candidates)**

Military—Dress Uniform or tuxedo  
 Police and Firemen—Formal Dress Uniforms or tuxedo  
 Priests—Regular Clerical Dress  
 Seminarians—Dark Suit and Tie or Seminarian Collar with Black Suit

**Dress Code for Others**  
**4th Degree Members/Observers**

New uniform or  
 Dark suit with tie is  
 acceptable

**Honor Guard**  
 New Uniform for ceremony, white  
 gloves, and swords

**Flag Bears**  
 No Swords

**Color Guard Escorts**  
 New Uniform for ceremony, white  
 gloves, and swords



**WE NEED YOU TO JOIN THE COLOR CORPS.**  
**OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE.**

THE COLOR CORPS IS MADE UP OF THE HONOR GUARD AND COLOR GUARD MEMBERS WHO SERVE THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE ASSEMBLIES BY:

- ❖ PRESENTING & POSTING THE FLAG OF OUR NATION AT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EVENTS
- ❖ STAND AS PART OF AN HONOR GUARD FOR BROTHER KNIGHTS WHO PASS AWAY
- ❖ FORM HONOR GUARDS FOR PRIESTS CELEBRATIONS, LIKE ANNIVERSARIES
- ❖ PARTICIPATE IN HONOR GUARDS AT YOUR BISHOPS REQUEST, LIKE THE DEDICATION OF NEW CHURCH'S
- ❖ TAKE PART IN HONOR GUARDS FOR HOLY RELICS
- ❖ BEING PART OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION TEAM
- ❖ HONORING OUR VETERANS AT MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DEGREE UNIFORM PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- ❖ BLAZER/COAT
- ❖ TROUSERS
- ❖ TIE
- ❖ BERET & BADGE
- ❖ \$475.00
- ❖ [HTTPS://WWW.KOFCUNIFORM.COM/HOME/](https://www.kofcuniform.com/home/)
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TO ORDER THE OFFICIAL UNIFORM:

CALL 833/562-4327 OR GO TO

**KOFCUNIFORM.COM**

QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS EXEMPLIFICATION-

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**BEAUTIFUL**

# SPRING HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY | 2026



**DROP-OFF YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ITEMS AT THE  
ST. TAMMANY PARISH FAIRGROUNDS COLLECTION SITE FOR DISPOSAL**

- All participants will remain in their vehicles.
- Containers must be 5 gallons or less.
- Dry paint may be placed in your residential trash.
- Any item deemed unsafe or unidentifiable by staff will not be accepted.
- **NO TRAILERS ALLOWED**

## **WHAT NOT TO BRING:**

- Alkaline Batteries
- Ammunition & Explosives
- Business, Commercial or Industrial Waste
- Construction / Demolition Debris
- Fire Extinguishers
- Fireworks
- Flares
- Freon or Helium Tanks
- Furniture
- Medical Waste / All Medicines
- Radioactive Devices:  
*Smoke Detectors*
- Styrofoam Waste:  
*Peanuts, Packaging*
- School Lab Waste
- White Goods/Appliances

## **WHAT TO BRING:**

- Acids
- Auto Products:  
*Used Oil, Antifreeze, Brake Fluid, Diesel, Oil & Filters, Gasoline, Automobile & Truck Tires (Limit 5 per vehicle)*
- Batteries:  
*NiCd, Lead Acid*
- Cleaning Solvents:  
*Corrosive Cleaners, Disinfectants, Oven Cleaners, Degreasers, Bleach, Bowl Cleaners*
- Cooking Oil
- Document Shredding (Limited to 3 Bankers Boxes)
- Electronic Equipment
- E-waste:  
*Computers, Copiers, Cell Phones, Fax Machines, Ink Cartridges, TVs, Stereos*
- Fluorescent Tubes & Bulbs
- Glass
- Glue
- Glycerol, Glycerin
- Lawn & Garden Products:  
*Pesticides, Herbicides, Fungicides, Fertilizers, Bug Sprays*
- Lighter Fluid
- Metallic Mercury
- Moth Balls
- Paint Products:  
*Latex, Oil, Thinners, Stain, Varnish, Shellac, Turpentine, Polishes, Wood Preservatives, Spray Paint*
- Pool Chemicals
- Propane Tanks & Bottles

# 05.02.2026

8 A.M. TO 12 P.M.

St. Tammany Parish Fairgrounds  
1301 N. Florida St. (Enter via E. Magee St.)  
Covington, LA 70433

**SCAN THE QR CODE &  
REGISTER A DROP-OFF TIME**  
(EVENT LIMITED TO 600 CARS)



Household Hazardous Waste Day is a program of Keep St. Tammany Beautiful.

Looking to get involved? Email us at [kstb@sttammany.gov](mailto:kstb@sttammany.gov) to volunteer!

St. Tammany Parish Government | 985.898.2535