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CATEGORY (MARK ONE):

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COUNCIL NAME Fr. Korstenbroek **NUMBER:** 2134

LOCATION: Greenville **MS**
(TOWN OR CITY) (STATE OR PROVINCE)

Project Title: St. Joseph Spaghetti Dinner and Parish Fair

Date Project Conducted: 09/17/2013

Purpose of Activity: (In the space provided below, describe in one sentence the purpose of this activity. This section must be completed.)

This activity is the primary fundraiser for the Catholic School System (K4 through 12) and touches the community from every aspect available. The project is a major event for the Knights for Columbus and involves many from Chairmanships through the the smallest details.

Number of council members participating in project: 40

Percentage of council members participating in project: 50 %

Number of man hours expended in project: 400

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Describe project in detail. Use additional paper if necessary. Supplementary material may be submitted along with the nomination. Accompanying materials can include letters, testimonials, news clippings, photographs, pamphlets, etc. Do not submit tapes, videocassettes, DVD'S, display materials, films, etc., as they will not be considered in judging the nomination.

The Annual Parish Fair is the largest fundraiser for the Catholic school system in the region. Since many of the students that attend the schools are not Catholic, the non-Catholic community also is affected. All students and families are asked to participate as they are the direct beneficiaries of the efforts. All net proceeds are from the event are put directly into the school budgets. Over the several years, the proceeds have totalled nearly \$100,000. This allows the parish to keep the tuition as affordable as possible.

The principle event is a spaghetti dinner and fair with a carnival-type atmosphere and includes a \$100 raffle, small raffle, silent auction and various activities for kids of all ages and adults. The overall chairperson is a Knight and spouse while the financial chairperson is also a Knight and spouse. The spaghetti dinner is a Knight function and handled from start to finish by the Knights of Columbus. This activity alone involves a minimum of 4 days of preparation and serving along with planing and procurement. This is also the largest single project for the Knights in our council. Spaghetti and meat balls are prepared to serve 1800 to 2000 people. The fair raises around \$100,000 with all of the proceeds going directly to support the school system. Knights and their families have been responsible for setting up the booths and working with all aspects of the fair.

This activity for many years has involved more members of the Knights of Columbus and their families than any other single activity during the school year. Every Knight is encouraged to participate in some manner with participation including overall chairperson, financial chairman, spaghetti supper chairman, and many others. The parish fair is one of the oldest fundraising events in the state. Activities besides the spaghetti dinner include the large raffle (\$100) and small raffle (\$1), silent auction, hamburgers, hotdogs, drinks, ribeye booth, ham booth, popcorn, and all kinds of games for children of all ages. This is a family event and there is something for everyone. The tickets are sold throughout the community and the surrounding area.

ATTEST: _____
(State Deputy)

Signed:  _____
(Grand Knight)

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