

BADGER BULLETIN



WISCONSIN STATE COUNCIL

"PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP"

FEBRUARY 2024



TEMPUS FUGIT
MEMENTO MORI



Sir Knights On Call

The Saint Francis Cabrini Catholic Church, located in West Bend, Wisconsin, recently held a dedication ceremony for their new altar. The Most Reverend Archbishop Jerome Lisecki presided over the ceremony, which was attended by the parishioners and the Our Lady of Holy Hill Assembly 1677 Honor Guard of West Bend. The dedication mass was the culmination of years of renovations that included moving the crucifix from the front of the church to the narthex and the painting of a four-story mural. During the ceremony, after the rite of anointing, a brazier was placed on the altar for burning incense. Archbishop Lisecki then incensed the altar and the congregation. The mass was followed by a reception in Mother Cabrini Hall, where Rev. Nathan Reesman presented the mural.

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Working at the Car Wash

Denmark Council 4735, raised an impressive \$7,000 in proceeds from Kwik Trip Car Wash sales. Council members worked tirelessly to sell car wash tickets, and as a result, All Saints School was presented with a \$7,000 check. This achievement is a testament to the dedication and hard work of the council members, who have made a positive impact on the community they serve.



Award Presentation

Connor Schlaack, Grand Knight of St. Francis Xavier Cathedral Council 4505 in Green Bay, was presented with the Columbian award by District Deputy Diederich from the Supreme Council. The award recognizes councils that show exceptional commitment to offering programs in their communities and parish.



Life Savers For Life

Congratulations to Omro/Winneconne Knights of Columbus Council 8810! Their unwavering commitment to supporting mothers and their children through prayer and action is truly inspirational. Dedication to serving pregnancy centers and maternity homes by providing essential items like maternity and baby clothes, diapers, and food is a shining example of what it means to be a community leader. The funds generated by the Life Savers for Life program are a testament to their proactive approach to assisting those in need. Keep up the amazing work!



Fox Valley Knights Stepping Up

The members of Hortonville Council 7885 raised funds throughout 2023 from three parishes: St. Patrick-Stephensville, St. Denis-Shiocton, and Ss PP-Hortonville. Recently, they presented the collected funds, which amounted to \$3,000, to the nurses and Executive Director of Vida Medical Clinic and Support Services. This donation will help the clinic maintain the ultrasound machine that the Council had previously procured, and will also be utilized for other needs of the pregnancy resource center.



2024 Free Throw Contest is a wrap!

Holman Council 9385 successfully hosted another edition of the Free Throw Contest, inspiring young boys and girls to showcase their talents while having a great time!



Clowning Around

The Knights of Columbus St. Bronislava Council, represented by its members, extend warm birthday wishes to Brother Knight Don Ciseski and his twin, Donnie The Clown. Happy Birthday, Don! Brother Donnie is an integral part of the council and actively participates in various community and parish activities throughout the year.



2024 Free Throw Contest is a wrap!

Marathon Council 16280 successfully hosted another edition of the Free Throw Contest, inspiring young boys and girls to showcase their talents while having a great time!



Tempus Fugit., Memento Mori

Honoring the memory of our late brother Sir Knight Terry Folz, St. Bronislava Council 13880 Plover presents the Knight & Family of the Month - January 2024 honors. With great respect and admiration, Sir Knight Al Trzebiatowski receives Terry's honorary certificates posthumously from Grand Knight Ted Osenga.



Supporting Life

The act of giving is a beautiful thing. Recently Dennis Witek, Council Life Director for Milton Council 6547, is presenting a council donation to Carissa Hodge Lopez, Director of the Pregnancy Helpline Center in Janesville. This generous donation will go a long way in supporting the center's mission to empower women and promote healthy families.



Growing together in Faith

The Knights of Council #1478 in Watertown are an inspiring group of men who recently came together to pray the Rosary before their council meeting. Their dedication and commitment to prayer have been growing steadily over the years, and they have now reached their highest number of attendees yet, with 21 men gathering together. This is a testament to the power of prayer and the strong bonds of brotherhood that unite them. With over 32 Knights attending their meetings each month, they continue to inspire and uplift each other on their collective journey.



Faith In Action

The Father Wagner Council 4774 Knights showed great dedication towards their community by organizing a post-mass gathering at St. John the Baptist Church in Princeton, Wisconsin. Despite the chilly weather (1-Degree), they managed to bring people together and spread joy. The new floor in the kitchen is a testament to their commitment to bettering their surroundings.



Council Service Award Presentation

The Knights of Columbus Trinity Council #4580 has recently awarded Dave and Cindy Kunze with the Ben & Carole Drzewiecki Service Award for the year 2023. The award was presented to them by Advocate SK Ryan Schreiber and Trustee & Past Grand Knight SK Gary Pluta. This Council Service Award is given to Trinity Council couples who have dedicated their time and effort towards making significant contributions to the growth and development of the council, thereby shaping its history and promoting its success.



Kenosha Special Olympics

The Kenosha Knights of Columbus Council 973 demonstrated their unwavering support for the community by donating \$2000 to the Kenosha Special Olympics Basketball Teams. This inspiring act of kindness was made possible by the efforts of Council 973's Carthage College Knights Round Table, who proudly presented the generous donation.



Council Family of the Year Recognized

At the Knights Christmas Party, the Knights of Columbus Council 1709 South Milwaukee recognized Greg and Lori Schmidt as the 2023 Family of the Year for their outstanding support to the council and our parish. Let their dedication inspire us to make a positive difference in our communities.



Breaking Bread

The Fr. John H. Endejan Council 16171 of the Knights of Columbus celebrated the holidays together by sharing a meal with their members and spouses at their annual Christmas Party.



Knights in Action - Community

The River Falls Council 4920 recently held its annual Free Throw contest. The event was attended by a good number of participants, ranging in age from 9 to 14, both girls and boys, despite the weather conditions. We would like to express our gratitude to our Brothers Kyle Brunner and Scott Conway for organizing and putting together this year's contest. We would also like to thank Joe Baldeshwiler, Tim Wilson, and Anjanette Conway for their help and assistance with the event and awards.



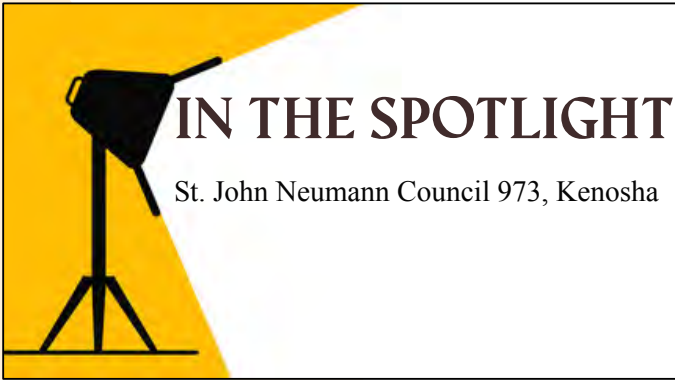
Moving On!

Knights of Columbus Hudson Council 1762 held a free throw contest, and all contestants will now move to the next level of the district competition. Thanks to Chairman Ryan and all the KC members and volunteers who helped with this event.



Poster Contest Winners Moving On

The Hudson Council 1762 would like to extend their congratulations to two students from Saint Patrick for winning the 2nd place at the Diocesan level of the Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest. The council wishes them good luck as their artwork moves up to the State level next. Well done, ladies!



Youth BIBLE PROGRAM

The atmosphere at All Saints Catholic School was one of pure excitement and amazement as the first-grade students eagerly delved into their brand new picture Bibles, their eyes wide with wonder and their faces beaming with joy. This incredible experience was made possible thanks to the dedicated and tireless efforts of the Knights of Columbus Council 973 Kenosha, who generously provided the Bibles to the students. These Bibles were thoughtfully designed with colorful illustrations and simple, easy-to-understand language, a perfect combination that kindled a newfound passion for faith and a thirst for knowledge among these young students. Witnessing the sight of first-grade students exploring their faith with such enthusiasm and eagerness through their new picture Bibles was truly inspiring, and it is a testament to the impact of the Knights of Council 973 Kenosha's work in fostering a love of faith and learning in the next generation.



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Answers the Questions: Who, What, When, Where, Why, How

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- Pictures need to be sent separately **as an attachment** in their original form. Please do not format or edit them in any way. In addition, please provide clearly labeled captions for each picture.
- Article size: 300 words ideal to 600 words max (half-full page)
- Articles need to be submitted a Word document attachment
- PDF submissions are for ads or promotions - not articles
- Articles need to be brief, highly relevant, and actionable.
- At a minimum, Who, What, When and Where needs to be in the first paragraph.
- Articles need to be brief, to-the-point and of interest to the entire State Council
 - What is the event/activity about?
 - Whom did it benefit?
 - What was the result?
 - Who are the key players/Knights?
- Similar story submissions will be consolidated/batched into one article by the Editors.
- Authors must submit on time per the Editor production calendar- **Deadline 1st of each month.**
- Late submissions will be placed farther down the newsletter or not published.
- Proof your article carefully for spelling and grammar before sending (use spellcheck).
- Document filename should reflect the Council/Assembly Number/office/title, i.e. *Cover Story Submission_Council2055_MsgBlecha.*
- Every Dioceses needs to participate – minimum of one page of the Badger Bulletin will be dedicated to each Diocese respectively.
- If a Diocese does not submit content their page will be eliminated from that issue.
- Cover story submissions need to be submitted ahead of the deadline due to special photo editing.
- Cover story photos – in portrait style at least 1mb in size - not formatted or resized.
- **All articles and photos should be sent to pr@wikofc.com by the first of the month**

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Thank you for your support, and we look forward to hearing from you!

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