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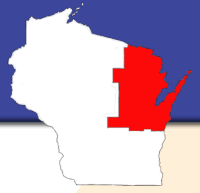
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Abbot Pennings Council 3955 De Pere
and all the
Green Bay Councils



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Intellectual Disabilities Campaign in Full Swing

Knights of Columbus Prince of Peace Council.... ID 'Tootsie Roll' Drive gets into gear at one of the several 'Pick and Save' grocery stores in Green Bay.



Thank You Knights

Omro/Winneconne Knights of Columbus Council 8810 thanks everyone that volunteered or graciously made a free will donation during our annual 'Tootsie Roll' drive.



Giving Back

Recently, the Prince of Peace Council 16333 donated the proceeds of their annual Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll Drive) to CP, Curative Connections, ASPIRO, and Special Olympics. This year, we were able to donate almost \$1,200 spread equally to our charitable partners.

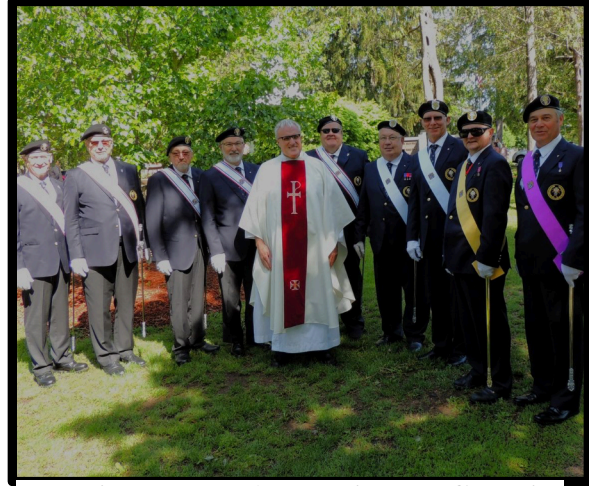
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State Convention Awards

Mgr. Blecha Council 2055 Menomonie received the award for the History Book-LaCrosse Division 2 at the State Convention. The award was received by G.K. Mike Kasten who conferred the History Book Award to Nicholas Berends councils history book recorder.



Honoring Heroes: Assemblies and Councils Unite for Memorial Day Services

Remembering the Served as Honor Guard for the Memorial Day Mass at Guardian Angel Cemetery.



Welcoming Our Shepherd: La Crosse Celebrates New Bishop's Installation

Recent ceremony in La Crosse for the installation of Bishop Battersby as the new Bishop of the Diocese of La Crosse was truly beautiful. The presence of well-represented La Crosse councils and assemblies made the occasion even more special.

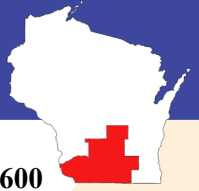


Stepping in Tribute: Marching Together to Honor Our Heroes on Memorial Day

Participating in the Wausau Memorial Day Parade was a great honor for the La Crosse Sir Knights, who were ever grateful for the opportunity to pay tribute to those who lost their lives in the service of our country.

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Trivia for a Cause: Janesville Council Raises \$2600 for D.J. Barnes' Heart Transplant

Fr. Gilbert Carlton Council 9360 in Janesville held a Trivia fundraiser. The fundraiser was held to help the family of D.J. Barnes, a 19 month old boy who is in the hospital waiting for a heart transplant. Sixty plus people participated allowing us to raise \$2600.00 for D.J. and his family. Council members donated food, raffle basket prizes, and over 70 hours to make this event a success.



Empowering Women, Saving Lives: Knights of Columbus and First Care Centers Madison Collaboration

The Knights of Columbus are a devoted group of men who are passionate about supporting pregnancy centers. First Care Centers Madison is deeply appreciated for its collaboration in helping vulnerable women and saving babies from abortion.



\$5,500 for Heroes: South Milwaukee Council's Casino Night Benefits Stars and Stripes Honor Flights

South Milwaukee Council 1709 presented a \$5,500 check to Stars and Stripes Honor Flights, proceeds from their third annual Casino Night. The event was made possible by community sponsors, Knights of Columbus Council 1709, the Ladies Auxiliary, and volunteers. The donation was accepted by Howard Hadley (USAF), Randy Zemel (USMC), and Dennis Ziebell (US Army), all Vietnam vets.



Acts of Compassion: Brookfield Council and Parishioners Aid Life's Connections with Diaper Donations

Sponsored by the Holy Spirit Council 4648 in Brookfield, the parishioners at St. John Vianney have made a significant impact with their generosity. Their donations of hundreds of diapers and baby wipes have supported Life's Connections Women's Support Center in Waukesha. This act of kindness truly embodies the spirit of community and compassion.



Knights of Columbus and US Army Honor Guard Pay Tribute to Deacon Ronald Schneider

A recent funeral service was held at Saint Francis Cabrini Catholic Church in West Bend, Wisconsin, to honor the life of Deacon Ronald Schneider. The event was graced by the presence of the honor guard of the Knights of Columbus Assembly 1677 and the US Army honor guard. The main celebrant of the mass was Auxiliary Bishop Jeffrey R. Haines, who was joined by Pastor Fr. Jacob Strand.



Highway Clean up Success

St. Leonard Knights of Columbus Council 6448, along with family and friends, joined forces for a highway cleanup on North Cape Road, which turned out to be a great success with a strong turnout!



Local Support Shines in Christ the King Council's 40-Cans for Lent Drive

Christ the King Council 16691 in Superior, WI, recently expressed their gratitude to their parishioners and community for their generous donations to the Council's 40-Cans for Lent program this year. The contributions will greatly help the food shelf at our St. Vincent de Paul Society.



Assembly Honor Guard

Bishop Annabring Assembly 1208 Honor Guard at the Confirmation Mass at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Iron River, WI. May the Holy Spirit rush upon and be with the confirmands!



Wisconsin's First Council Grows: New Members Join Cardinal Albert Meyer Council 499

Wisconsin's first council, Cardinal Albert Meyer Council 499 in Superior, warmly welcomes our newest members. Council exemplification was held at the beautiful St. Anthony Parish in Lake Nebagamon, WI.



Sweet Success: Park Falls Knights' Fundraiser Benefits Local Disability Centers

The Knights of Columbus Park Falls Council #2639 had a successful fundraising drive for Intellectual Disabilities. 100% of the proceeds will help the Lauri Jean Zach Center and Red Apple. Several volunteers gave away candies after all the masses at St. Anthony and St. Francis. Additionally, Park Falls Super One and Dollar General Store, as well as the Bear Crossing in Glidden, were on hand to hand out the bite-size chocolate candies.

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State Convention Diaper Drive

The 3rd Annual Wisconsin KC Ladies State Convention Baby/Diaper Drive in support of the State ASAP program was a tremendous success this year, thanks in part to the incredible women who attended this year's convention. All items are donated to a local women's center.



Father John Gerritts Receives Blessed Michael J. McGivney Award for Chaplain of the Year

The Hudson Council 1762 proudly announces that Father John Gerritts has been honored with the Blessed Michael J. McGivney award for Chaplain of the Year by the State of Wisconsin Knights of Columbus. This award is presented annually to a KC chaplain who demonstrates exceptional service and priestly dedication in line with the organization's founding principles. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Father John for this well-deserved honor! In the photo, Father John is seen with Bishop James Powers and Gary Maier, KC State Deputy Personal Warden.



Honoring Dedication: Knights Celebrate Bishop Battersby's Installation and Bishop Callahan's Retirement

State Deputy John Huttenhoff, State Secretary Miles Casey, State Treasurer Ross Larson, and State Deputy Elect Pat Reiff, along with many other Knights from around the state, had the privilege of attending the installation mass for the 11th Bishop of The Diocese of La Crosse, Bishop Gerard William Battersby. The Western District Fourth Degree Honor Guard was fully present, led by our Western District Master Sir Knight Duane Zaborowski. The State Council and the Fourth Degree Western District welcome Bishop Battersby! Also, a huge and heartfelt thank you to Bishop Callahan for your years of dedication and guidance. Congratulations on your retirement!

VIEW CONVENTION PHOTOS AT: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBpu86>

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

Badger Bulletin reports on local and state council activities throughout the entire State of Wisconsin

- 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.
- Photos and articles should be submitted in a timely manner to be considered for publication.
- 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_MsggrBlecha*.
- 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**

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Learn more about how you can align
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Date: Wednesday, June 26, 2024 **Time:** 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Webinar

Sponsor: Timothy Nowak Agency **Contact:** timothy.nowak@kofc.org

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