

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

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Leaving a Legacy

By the time you are reading this article, we will have elected a new State Deputy for the upcoming Fraternal Year (Spoiler Alert if you didn't attend the State Convention—It's State Secretary John Huttenhoff!) With 2 months remaining in my term as State Deputy, it is hard not to reflect back on the 'Legacy' that this State Leadership Team will have for these last 2 years. Now, instead of focusing on the legacy left behind from our State Team that I may have as State Deputy, I rather turn the focus on the legacy that your council or you may have on your Community and your Parish families!

Just think—by being a member of the Knights of Columbus, you are leaving a lasting legacy on your family, your Parish and your Community.

Men join the Knights to take part in activities to build up the church, their community and to strengthen their family, pursuant to the vision of Blessed Michael McGivney. What a great legacy to leave!

I think of the families that have been devastated by natural disasters or fires, losing their earthly possessions. Here we as Knights stand on the forefront helping these families—bringing them much needed support! They will always remember for the rest of THEIR LIVES the generous acts given by the Knights!

I think of the families that lose a loved one or are enduring challenging situations with their health or health of loved ones. With our State Charity Raffle, we are able to help those most in need in our Parishes and our Communities, relieving some of the financial stress that may be wearing on them. They will always remember for the rest of THEIR LIVES the generous acts given by the Knights!

I think of the individuals who have fallen away from the Catholic Faith, who with the evangelization of our Faith in Action programs, we are able to bring back fully into the Church—building up on their foundation of Faith. I think of our Family programs that we have with Faith at the center. Through these programs we are building up the Family and the faith of the Family, hopefully leaving a lasting legacy of future Catholics for generations to come!

I think of the impact that our ID Program has made thru the many years to help support various special abilities individuals! Our State Special Olympics competitors that will have a chance to participate in the national Special Olympics games because of our support! The ladies and young girls that are able to participate in the Miss Amazing Pageant and help build up confidence and support because of our donations! The many, many different local programs and institutions that benefit from our fundraising efforts—all made possible because of the many hours devoted to this program through the years by thousands of Knights in our State! Those impacted, their families and them will remember the Knights of Columbus for many years to come!

I think of the multitude of Ultrasounds in our State that were made possible through the efforts of our Councils. Over 35 Ultrasounds in a short period of time have been placed across our State as a result of local council supporting these efforts! And hopefully over the next decade we will place 35 more! Think of the lasting impact of how many UNBORN LIVES will be saved because of our support. The legacy of

the Knights will remain in these initiatives—as we look to continually save lives and protect the sanctity of life!

I think of the Seminarians that we have supported through our RSVP program. How many multiples of individuals and families do they impact during their time as a Priest? Made possible through the generous support of the Knights in our efforts to build up the clergy across our State! With this devotion to this program, we are helping **PROTECT AND BUILD UP THE DOMESTIC CHURCH!**

I think of the councils and assemblies in the Kenosha area, that this upcoming month of June will be unveiling the 'Monument to the Unborn.' This monument is something that god-willing, will stand in this community for decades and centuries to come! All made possible by the joint efforts of the councils in the Kenosha area. That is something tangible that they can tell their potential new members that they made possible! This is something that these men can take their grandchildren to, and in the future their grandchildren can take their own grandchildren to as well, showing the lasting impact that the Knights of Columbus can have on a community and a family! **Don't you think that this was the exact VISION that Blessed McGivney had when founding the Order?**

LEGACY IS BIGGER THAN A UNIFORM!

So, the next time someone asks you—who are the Knights of Columbus, and what do we do? Here is how I'd like for you to respond:

The Knights of Columbus are an organization built on LEGACY! We are here to protect the LEGACY of the Church! We leave a lasting LEGACY on our Parishes and our Communities! We leave a LEGACY for our Families and for our Members...And my LEGACY to you is to be the member that INVITES you to JOIN IN THIS LEGACY!

Do you think that this will get someone's attention? If each of us just invited ONE NEW MEMBER via these means over these next 60 days—THE LEGACY that will be left behind for this FRATERNAL YEAR will be one of seismic proportions of GROWTH in our ORDER and we will achieve the CIRCLE OF HONOR GOAL!

Corey Christopher Coonen
State Deputy



The Month of May

The reason that the month of May is my favorite month is not just because of Mother's Day, the K of C State Convention, the new growth of flowers, and the fact that it has my birthday in it. Most important is that this is the Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary. "Pray with Mary, walk with Jesus" is what I like to say, and "If Jesus is our brother, then Mary is our mother". As we enter into this beautiful month, please remember the Blessed Virgin Mary. My brothers, it is a great time to start a devotion to her if you haven't already. Every Knight needs to defend

the Queen.

Sincerely, Fr. Andrew Kurz
Wisconsin State Chaplain



Building a Bench

Brothers,

Thank you for electing me to the position of State Deputy. It is truly an honor to serve you. I know that being elected as your State Deputy will bring a new set of challenges and opportunities. I thank you for giving me this opportunity and I hope that I live up to your expectations. Following our current State Deputy Corey Coonen will be a challenge, as he set a high standard of service to the membership of this Jurisdiction. These past 2 years, in addition to

Working Full Time, Getting Engaged, and Getting Married, our State Deputy attended hundreds of meetings, made thousands of phone calls, and sent thousands of emails. He was relentless in his efforts to help our Councils Grow and Serve more people.

His tireless efforts led the State Council through the difficult Covid Pandemic. At a time when other service organizations saw membership drop by half, Knights of Columbus membership in Wisconsin dropped by less than 10%. At a time when parishes are struggling to make ends meet, our State Deputy implemented membership incentives that provided additional charity resources to councils. Worthy State Deputy Corey Coonen, thank you for all of your Leadership over these difficult 2 years.

As we look to the future, we have a lot of work to do.

Many of you know that I have been involved in a Leadership Role with the Boy Scouts for many years. A question that we ask in Leadership Training is: How do you eat an Elephant? One bite at a time. The key here is that you just need to make a plan, and then get started. Another area that we focus on is setting goals. Always set your Goals High. We would never have put a man on the moon if we believed those that said it was not possible. We got to the moon by setting a high goal and then pursuing it with passion.

If we aim low, meeting the goal is almost guaranteed, but we gain little. If we aim high, plan, and keep working towards a goal, we will accomplish more. It comes down to being willing to take a chance and aim high rather than choosing the easier lower goal.

Over the next 2 years, I will be challenging our State Team, Diocesan Teams, District Teams, and Council Teams to set high goals and work towards them. Some of you will challenge this saying we are asking too much. Others will take on the challenge, and be surprised by the results. I am asking that you take the challenges as they are presented, so that together we can grow the Knights of Columbus in the State of Wisconsin.

As Knights, our programs need to revolve around our Catholic Faith. That is what sets us apart from other Service Organizations. Every Program that we do must be based on putting our Faith in Action.

Our Parishes need help getting men and their families back to church. As Knights, we need to be leading in these efforts.

Our Bishops have asked for help with the Eucharistic Revival. As Knights, we will be there to lead and support these efforts, starting with the Eucharistic Processions on June 19, as well as Holy Hours throughout the year.

We also need to be leaders in our parish efforts to Evangelize and Go Make Disciples.

As Knights, we must always be forming ourselves in the Faith. To that end, over the next year we will work to grow our Faith Development programs across the State, and to include both Clergy and Lay Brother Knights on the Faith Committee.

We will also be looking to grow membership and participation in the Life Committee, adding resources to that committee to add focus on the areas of Adoption, Suicide Prevention, Service to those with Disabilities, and Mental Health Awareness.

We will be looking to evaluate and grow programs in the areas of Community and Family as well.

That brings us to our next challenge. As you look around at our current team of District Deputies, Diocesan, and State Coordinators, two things stand out. Many of them are very experienced, and most wear more than one hat. Many of these leaders are reaching that point in life where they need to step back due to health issues. As they do, it is no secret that our bench is thin.

Our lack of a bench starts at the Council Level. Councils need to take time to get to know their members, their interests, passions, and motivations, and then invite these brothers to utilize their talents in the areas where they will be most productive. In too many Councils, a handful of Knights are carrying the load, with the rest sitting on the sidelines. This leads to situations where brothers are reluctant to step up for fear of having to do everything. I am asking for your help in correcting this situation. I am asking that every Council take steps to invite more brothers to share the load, by inviting them to take on leadership roles, especially our younger members. To build a bench for the future, we need every Council to help by inviting more men to carry the load.

At the State Level, we will look to develop and deliver the leadership resources and training that these new leaders will need.

I plan to challenge our State and Diocesan teams to double the number of men serving in Leadership positions such as District Deputies, State Coordinators, District Wardens, and Diocesan Coordinators. We will leverage our GOTO committee to help identify men that can lead, and then inviting them to be part of our teams. By inviting others to lead, we can avoid burnout and build a bench for the future.

Imagine the new energy our Councils, Districts, and State will have, when every Council doubles the number of men involved in leadership positions. I know that this is a big ask. I am asking for your help in making this happen to secure our future.

Brothers, again I thank you for the giving me the opportunity to serve as your State Deputy. Working Together we will grow the Knights of Columbus in the State of Wisconsin.

Vivat Jesus.

John Huttenhoff
State Secretary
State Deputy Elect



Brother Knights,

As we draw closer to the end of this fraternal year, I would like to remind you that there are still have a balance due on their Wisconsin State Per Capita. If you have not resolved this, I strongly urge you to address this immediately. I know that we all get busy with Summer, and I would hate your councils to start behind on this. My email is mcasey@wikofc.com if you don't know if you owe or not.

If you did qualify for a membership incentive, your council will still owe the \$12 program fee. This fee is used to help fund the programs ran throughout the state.

Please make sure that your council is squared away on this, and ready to finish this fraternal year strong!

Vivat Jesus!

Miles Casey
State Treasurer

District Deputies Needed

We still have a few Districts in Need of a District Deputy. This truly is one of the most rewarding positions within the Knights of Columbus. District Deputies visit each of the Councils within their District Quarterly, Attend District Deputy Meetings in June and December, attend the State Convention, and Diocesan Huddle, and host District Meetings in July and December. Training and support are provided. If you are interested in being a District Deputy, please reach out to State Deputy Corey Coonen, State Deputy Elect John Huttenhoff or any of the State Officers for more information.

Districts currently in need of a District Deputy for the upcoming fraternal year are: 1, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, 15, 20, 22, 24, 27, 29, 31, 40, 41, 51, 62, 63, 72, 85.

2022-2023 State Officers

Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus

The following officers were elected to serve the Wisconsin State Council for the 2022-2023 Fraternal Year.

State Deputy John Huttenhoff

State Secretary Miles Casey

State Treasurer Roland Breunig

State Advocate Donald Schoenherr

State Warden Michael Tennies

Immediate Past State Deputy Corey C. Coonen

DELEGATES TO THE 140th SUPREME CONVENTION

Nashville, Tennessee AUGUST 1-4, 2022

Wisconsin is allowed ten delegates to the Supreme Convention. The State Deputy and the Immediate Past State Deputy automatically serve as the first two delegates. The remaining eight delegates were selected by the vote of those delegates attending the State Convention May 7th 2022 in Wisconsin Dells. .

The following were elected as Insurance Delegates to the 140th Supreme Convention:

- Andrew Orgovan – Council 4648 – Brookfield
- William Hitt – Council 2478 – Sturgeon Bay
- Dennis Koranda – Council 4125 – Tomah
- Henry “Tre” Waldren III – Council 16729 – St. Nazianz

The following were elected as Associate Delegates to the 140th Supreme Convention

- Robert Kordus Jr – Council 1647 – Lake Geneva
- Michael Stoeberl – Council 6051 – Cumberland
- LaVerne Pottinger – Council 9546 – Birchwood
- Christopher Kachur – Council 14362 – Kenosha

Eastern District Exemplification

Saturday May 14, 2022

St. Mary Catholic Faith Community
9520 W. Forest Home Ave.
Hales Corners, WI 53130

Exemplification Honoree: Fr. Aaron Laskiewicz

9:00 AM	Degree Team and Color Guard Practice
9:00 AM – 10:50 AM	Registration
11:00 AM	Luncheon
12:15 PM	Dressing Room – Candidates
1:00 PM	Ladies Program
12:45 PM	Master Meets with Candidates
12:30 PM	Honor Guard Inspection
1:00 PM	Exemplification
3:30 PM	Dressing Room for Clergy
4:00 PM	Holy Sacrament of the Mass

Western District Exemplification

Saturday May 21, 2022

Immaculate Conception Church
1712 Highland Avenue
Eau Claire, WI 54701

Honoree – Sir Knight James Otto

- 10:00 A.M. Honor Guard Practice - Immaculate Conception Church
- 10:00 A.M. Candidates Registration - Fr.Klink Hall
- 11:00 A.M. Banquet-Fr. Klink Hall (Special needs meals upon request)
- 1:30 P.M. Candidates Line up Fr. Klink Hall
- 1:30 P.M. Ladies Registration - Fr. Klink Hall
- 2:00 P.M. Ladies Program - Fr. Klink Hall
- 2:00 P.M. Men's Exemplification -Immaculate Conception Church
- 5:00 P.M. Holy Mass - Immaculate Conception Church

State Advocate Updates



Brother Knights,

First and foremost I thank you for your support in electing me to the State Advocate position, I will do my very best to meet your needs and serve your councils in any way that I can. Thank you again!

I hope that those of you who attended our state convention enjoyed yourself. So why did many councils not attend? This is a question that should be discussed at your council meeting. There are many reasons why all councils should be in attendance. If you do not know them, please contact me.

All councils should have submitted a Form 990 for tax purposes, if you have not done so, please do so ASAP.

As there were time constraints at the State Convention the resolutions were not read. All delegates had been sent a copy via mail prior to the convention but there were several that are noteworthy. If you have not taken the time to discuss them with your councils, I hope that you do so as it is important that all members know what is happening at the State level.

First, we extend appreciation to State Chaplain Fr. Andrew Jude Kurz for his 3 years of service to the State council.

Second, we had four councils celebrating their 100th anniversary. Congratulations to the following:

Durand Council 2422 of Durand, WI

Fr. Riesenmy Council 2481 of Ladysmith, WI

Msgr. Broens Council 2478 of Sturgeon Bay, WI

Oconomowoc Council 2487 of Oconomowoc, WI

Please extend your congratulations to these councils who have served so faithfully and reached this milestone.

Eucharistic Revival – all councils should assist their Bishops, Priests and Deacons in elevating the solemnity and reverence of Eucharistic Processions.

Affiliate Member – As all of you should know Supreme introduced this program to alleviate the burden of members who are no longer active and not paying dues. We ask that they continue this program.

Evangelization beyond Confirmation – the State is establishing a Sacramental gift program directed toward Confirmation students. Please refer to the Resolutions for more details.

Restoration of World Peace – Knights should pray the rosary together prior to council and assembly meetings to promote the end of violence and restoration of peace throughout the world.

Support of Adoption – Fr. Dennis Mullen established this program to assist families with funds to prepare for adoption. We ask that all councils promote adoption as part of the Culture of Life Program. Fr. Mullen delivered a heartfelt message at the State Deputy's Banquet Saturday night.

This was a message that all Knights would have embraced and enjoyed, I encourage you to have your council attend the State Convention each year.

Don Schoenherr
Worthy State Advocate

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus State Charity Raffle

Winners of the \$115,000 state raffle were chosen at the State Convention May 7 and are posted on the state web site. On the front page of the website scroll down to:

Wisconsin State Council Charity Raffle

Click on the read more tab, then click the **2022 winners list**.

We are diligently working on validating addresses, completing W2G forms mandated by the Wisconsin State Gaming Commission, auditing financials, cutting checks, and other paperwork. This year there was 100 winning tickets drawn bringing in nearly \$660,000 to be used to help Wisconsin families. Thanks to all councils that participated. You will be receiving your charity checks in the fall, provided you have turned in your "Council Charity Grant" form. Over 130,000 tickets were sold a 7% increase from last year. That is awesome and will allow us Knights the continued opportunity to live out our first principle of "**CHARITY**"!!

God Bless
Bernie Heit, WI Charity Committee Director.

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus State Charity Raffle

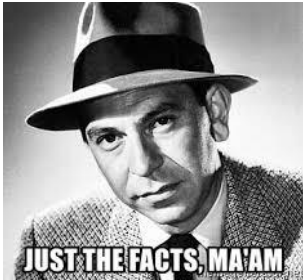
Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle 2022 Winners

	PRIZE	NUMBER	NAME	CITY	STATE
1	\$50,000	59486	Celena Nelson		WI
2	\$25,000	127246	Julie Wenzel	Marshfield	WI
3	\$500	227119	Manuel Perez	Milwaukee	WI
4	\$500	4672	James Denowski	Lena	WI
5	\$500	152013	Dan Plendl	Waunakee	WI
6	\$500	94555	Shaly Nook	Cornell	WI
7	\$500	36001	Brian Rameker	Wrightstown	54180
8	\$500	270865	Brian Huffman	Hudson	WI
9	\$500	212440	Stephen Lewis	Grafton	WI
10	\$500	266413	Mike Jack	Washburn	wi
11	\$500	49588	Jennifer Sanchez	Milwaukee	WI
12	\$500	86665	Pokorny	Friendship	WI
13	\$500	274548	Kenneth Maes	Glenwood City	WI
14	\$500	167094	Fran Covoloskie	Baraboo	WI
15	\$500	54595	Tom Dickenson	Two Rivers	WI
16	\$500	129832	Bob Secrist	Cochrane	WI
17	\$500	5791	Trevor Bushmeicher	Coleman	WI
18	\$500	210540	Gerald Kraus	Fond Du Lac	WI
19	\$500	312627	Paulette Eppers	Sturtenant	53777
20	\$500	205661	Greg Goral	Fond Du Lac	wi
21	\$500	174002	Janae Kreul	Cambridge	WI
22	\$500	121051	Kent Krueger	Medford	WI
23	\$500	303618	Peter Schwartz	Merrill	WI
24	\$500	300026	Michael Schmitt	Stetsonville	wi
25	\$500	148110	Doug Sina	Oregon	WI
26	\$500	315612	Brett Skarr DDS		
27	\$500	141537	Steve Steinhoff	Platteville	WI
28	\$500	74940	Maritn Link	Monominie	WI
29	\$500	47485	Thomas Binversie	Kiel	WI
30	\$500	75964	Kathy Aspen	Knapp	WI
31	\$500	153850	John Ring	Kekooso	wi
32	\$500	279178	Robyn Grover	Dallas	WI
33	\$500	255028	Peter Alba	New Berlin	WI
34	\$500	178719	Larry Lanners	Janersville	WI
35	\$500	121201	Juvozoi Tzintzui	Abbotsford	WI
36	\$500	13907	Ted Peotter	Stevens Point	WI
37	\$500	40774	M Gogo	Winneconner	WI
38	\$500	225402	La Casa de Esperanza	Waukesha	WI
39	\$500	106522	Donna Teynor	Prairie du Chien	WI
40	\$500	317142	Carol & Thomas Mootz	Cuba City	WI
41	\$500	37336	Jacob Runde	Appleton	WI
42	\$500	47787	Richard Keuller	Oshkosh	wi
43	\$500	91693	Pam Voelke		
44	\$500	132148	Mary Hanson	Blair	
45	\$500	205857	Mike Schmitz	Fond Du Lac	54935
46	\$500	9906	David Zitske	Black Creek	WI
47	\$500	159347	Mark L Smith	Verona	wi
48	\$500	201304	Wendy Pace	Milwaukee	wi
49	\$500	291606	William Collins Jr	Spooner	wi
50	\$500	125642	Robert Gouveig	Stratfoed	wi

Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle 2022 Winners

	PRIZE	NUMBER	NAME	CITY	STATE
51	\$500	30853	Tim Lewis	Green Bay	wi
52	\$500	190626	Frank Statz	Sun Prairie	wi
53	\$500	100613	Luis Illescas	West Salem	wi
54	\$500	287089	Grady Hantrun	Rhineland	wi
55	\$500	89253	Griselda de la luz Tom	Wilton	wi
56	\$500	62903	Ed Heit	River Falls	wi
57	\$500	126051	Brimer Lizatte	Neillsville	wi
58	\$500	188729	Gerald Zaru	Sun Prairie	wi
59	\$500	61141	Jason T Watska	Appleton	wi
60	\$500	161461	Doug Adler	Madison	wi
61	\$500	209914	Connie Coon	fond du lac	wi
62	\$500	272667	Derik Nelson	54016	
63	\$500	252253	John Koenig	Beaver Dam	WI
64	\$500	218487	Colin Holmes	Delafield	WI
65	\$500	172362	Nancy Griswold	Madison	WI
66	\$500	43229	G Reichenberger	Oshksoh	WI
67	\$500	112378	Fr. Todd Mlsn	Stevens Point	WI
68	\$500	88566	Stacy Goldsmith		
69	\$500	256320	Jeff Lois	Union Grove	WI
70	\$500	1733	Kris Bolssen		
71	\$500	205693	Tom & Cheryl Morgan	West Bend	WI
72	\$500	230874	Jerome Spaeth	West Bend	Wi
73	\$500	252427	Ric Fiegel	Beaver Dam	WI
74	\$500	180339	DeAnne Gile	Beloit	WI
75	\$500	251618	Daniel Sina	Ripon	WI
76	\$500	128516	Don Kaiser	Marshfield	WI
77	\$500	144965	Richard Corley	Darlington	WI
78	\$500	291189	Michael Canik	Hayward	Wi
79	\$500	154054	Ron Wipperfurth	Sauk City	WI
80	\$500	142149	Ryan & CandyTemperly	Mineral Point	WI
81	\$500	48443	Paul Ditter	Chilton	WI
82	\$500	153452	Wally Breunig	Sauk City	WI
83	\$500	301276	Koltin Ulrich	New Richmond	WI
84	\$500	82497	Susan Haydysch	LaCrosse	WI
85	\$500	60356	Linda Eis	Two Rivers	WI
86	\$500	279289	Margaret Sailor	Cameron	WI
87	\$500	288198	Nate Shrock	Rhineland	WI
88	\$500	247775	Andy Prinsen	Oostburg	WI
89	\$500	142405	Emily Hoffman	Montello	WI
90	\$500	274942	Annie Rud	New Richmond	Wi
91	\$500	77750	Shawn Holden		
92	\$500	58663	Tom Nichol		
93	\$500	83288	Bernadette Hull	Eau Claire	WI
94	\$500	121937	Adolfo Tzintan	Abbotsford	WI
95	\$500	58901	Allan Kane	DePere	Wi
96	\$500	108615	Joseph & Amy VanHandel	Stevens Point	WI
97	\$500	170672	Glenn & Donna Gardner	Madison	WI
98	\$500	96165	James Logan	Stanley	WI
99	\$500	305999	John Pope	Superior	WI
100	\$500	25002	Rachel Caletton	Tempe	AZ

Public Relations Corner



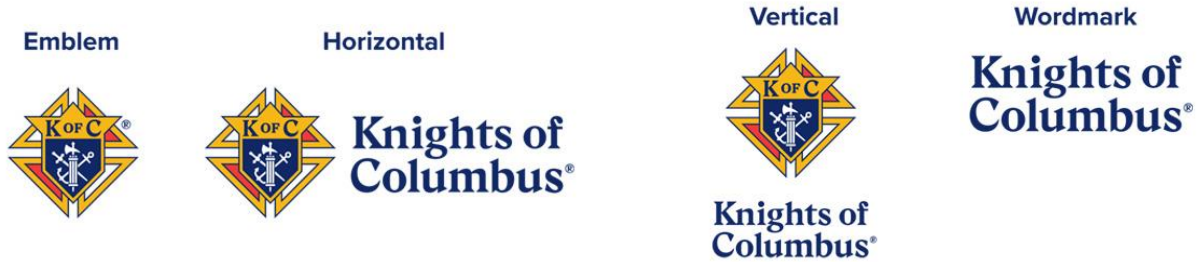
Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities

One of the most popular and successful fundraisers conducted by state and local councils for the benefit of people with intellectual disabilities involves collecting donations outside stores and on street corners. In appreciation, the donor is offered a piece of candy, such as a Tootsie Roll. The high visibility of this program has led to the campaign being referred to as the “*Tootsie Roll Drive*.”

The nickname is understandable, but misleading. The Knights of Columbus has no official tie to Tootsie Rolls or their manufacturer. In fact, many councils participate in the same fundraising drive, but distribute other items. References to this program should highlight the good the money does, not advertise a candy bar. For these reasons, this project must be promoted as the “**Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities**” rather than the “Tootsie Roll Drive.”

KofC Logo

We are still seeing the old logo being used throughout the state and yes, digital logo files are available



for download on Supreme Brand Assets page, <https://www.kofc.org/en/brand-assets/indexhtml>.

*Jack Wrbanich, IPSD
State Council Public Relations*

Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll Update)

The weather in Wisconsin is getting better every day and it is allowing us to get out into our communities to do good for many people. Hopefully some of the good you are doing for others is your council is conducting the annual Tootsie Roll Drive to assist those with Intellectual Disabilities. I know many councils mentioned at the State Convention their drives were happening in May. That is awesome news!

Some councils are waiting until June or sometime later this year. Feel free to run the drive in your community when you feel you will get the best response. Multiple councils mentioned they go with the opening weekend of fishing. My own council goes with the same weekend as the State High School Rodeo Finals which are held in Richland Center each year. Does your community have an event which

increases the number of people at your collection locations? Does any other organization collect on that weekend in your community?

Whenever you hold your drive, please fill out the Council Disbursement Form which can be found on the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus website. All money returned to me before July 1 will be returned at the Fall Meetings. Any money received after July 1 until February 1 will be returned at the end of February.

There will be a change in the Intellectual Disabilities program in the next fraternal year as Bennie Green from 3492, Richland Center will take over as the director of the program. I will be mentoring Bennie over the next year to make sure the program gets back to the place of prominence it held before the pandemic. I believe Bennie will do an excellent job as the ID Director and you as leaders in your council will come to like Bennie.

Thank you for all you do for the Order.

Mark Jelinek
WI KC ID Director

Beatification Father Michael McGivney



The establishment of the Father McGivney Guild was certainly a milestone marking the path to our founder's canonization. It operates out of the Supreme Council office in New Haven CT. The guild serves as a clearinghouse for information regarding Father McGivney, promotes devotion to his memory, develops and distributes materials about his life and virtue, receives reports of favors received through Father McGivney's intercession, and receives news of possible miracles. Membership in the guild is open to anyone interested in Father McGivney and his cause, including members of the Knights of Columbus and their families. A guild newsletter is sent to members several times a year. All materials produced to promote information and devotion to Father McGivney are automatically distributed to members of the guild

and, once a month, a mass is offered at St. Mary's Church in New Haven.

Guild membership is now more than 178,000. The Roman process of investigation into Father McGivney's life and holiness is nearing completion, and the investigation into the reported miracle is progressing. Don't be fooled. The growth of the Guild is but one step along the way. There are over 1.8 million members of the Knights of Columbus. Why are so many so hesitant to join the Guild? We have over 35,000 members alone in Wisconsin but as of 4/1/2022 there are only 1,239 Guild member in our State. The Guild depends on us to further the message of Father McGivney. **Membership in the Guild is FREE!** Please consider joining today! Scan this QR code to learn more or visit <https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/index.html> today!



Fraternally,
Jack Wrbanich, IPSD
State Guild Chairman

Council PKD and Culture of Life Contributions

It's that time of year again where PKD and CoL collection will come due. I'd like to review how a council can verify what they owe for each, and where to send payment.

As you know, PKD or Penny a Knight a Day supports Catholic Education across the dioceses of Wisconsin. Your contribution stays in your diocese, and a check is provided by the State Council each year to your bishop to be used in supporting your local Catholic schools.

PKD is calculated by multiplying \$3.65 (a penny each day of the year) based in the number of members un each council as of July 1st for each member of your council minus Inactive members and Exemption (formerly disabled) members. Last year this article incorrectly indicated to remove honorary life and exemption members; consider this a retraction. The amount due for your council can be found on the State Council Website. To get there, type WIKOFC.com into a web browser and it will forward you to UKnight for the St Council, or use link <https://uknight.org/StateCouncilSite/index.asp?CN=US&ST=WI>. Scroll down the main page to Penny-A-Knight-A-Day where you'll see the fearless Knight in armor. Click on "Read More" which will open a window, then click on the red button on labeled "Council P.K.D. Contributions As Of xx/xx/xxxx" date. This will open a PDF of a spreadsheet where you can look up your council and see what you owe. As checks are deposited you will see the updates and verify your contribution has been received. This is the current hyperlink for those of you who like to bookmark these key pages <https://uknight.org/StateCouncilSite/article.asp?ID=51>

For Culture of Life (CoL), amounts due are calculated similar to PKD except the rate is \$3.50 per. To look up what your council owes, again go to the State Council webpage, but this time click on the gold button "State Forms" under the picture of the Brother Knight praying the Rosary. Scroll about half way down the page to Community, then sub title Culture of Life, then click on Culture of Life Council Fund Donations FY 2021-2022 (xx/xx/xxxx) date. *{The link to this page can change so the best way to access this is to follow the above instructions}* A PDF of a spreadsheet will open allowing you to look up your council's Donations and Amount above or below goal. The amount is a combination of donations from the CoL mailer that went out in November and your council's contributions. Both the PKD and CoL donations are listed on member dues each year but are not required to be paid by members or councils, yet highly encouraged. CoL contributions help fund grants to Pro Life agencies and services across the state.

Checks should be written to Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus or WI State Council Knights for short. Payments should be sent to the State Council office: Knights of Columbus, 4297 W Beltline Hwy, Madison WI 53711.

Administrative Manager, Steve Geishirt

FRATERNAL RESOURCES FOR UKRAINE SUPPORT
UPDATED RESOURCES

Continued call for solidarity with Ukraine - Knights rally broad-based support to provide refugee relief

Councils who donate at least \$1,000 to the Ukraine Solidarity Fund may submit and claim program credit in any program category on the Columbian Award (SP-7) application. Councils who donate at least \$4,000 may claim 2 program credits in any program category.



Support Ukrainian Families

“We ask that He give you strength and courage to persevere.”
— Supreme Knight Patrick Ruby

100% of your donation will be used to assist those directly affected by the conflict in Ukraine.

 **Knights of Columbus** | Learn how you can make a difference. kofc.org/Ukraine 

For the latest news and updates from the Order on the situation in Ukraine, please visit kofc.org/ukraine.

**Over \$15,311,700 donated to
UKRAINE SOLIDARITY FUND**

As the situation in Ukraine continues to change, the need to support refugees continues to grow. The Knights of Columbus will be working with our councils in Poland as well as the Latin and Greek Catholic Churches in Ukraine to provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, and communications.

100% of your donation goes directly to support humanitarian aid in Ukraine.



**“We lived quite well.
Now, suddenly, you’ve
lost everything.”**

Learn how you can make a difference [Kofc.org/Ukraine](https://kofc.org/Ukraine) 



Officers Online Access

Members in a role permitted access to Officers Online will be emailed an invitation code once the Supreme Council receives the appropriate form from the state council, local council, or assembly indicating the election or appointment, and records this information. If you do not receive an invitation code within a reasonable time, click "Account Assistant" on the sign in page and follow the instructions.

If you previously held a role with access to Officers Online, you do not need a new invitation code. Your access will automatically be reactivated once the appropriate form is submitted.

If you do not remember your log on credentials, click "Account Assistant" or "Password Reset" on the sign in page and follow the instructions. If additional assistance is required contact our Customer Service Department at 800-380-9995, option 2 and provide your membership number and role.

Applications by Roles	Role Description										
	Officers Online	Officers Desk Reference	Office of Youth Protection	Home Corporations	Member Management	Member Billing	By Laws Online	Knights Gear	Supplies Online	Prospect Tab	Candidate Tab
Jurisdiction/ State											
State Deputy	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
State Secretary	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Treasurer	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Advocate	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Warden	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Immediate Past State Deputy	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Executive Secretary	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Membership Director	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
State Program Director	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Round Table Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Council Reactivation Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Council Retention Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Member Retention Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Insurance Promo Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
NCD Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Ceremonial Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Hispanic Council Growth Coord.	X		X	X				X	X		
Online Membership Chairman	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
Additional Membership Roles	X		X	X				X	X		
Online Membership Coordinator	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
State Trainer	X		X	X	X	X		X	X		
4th Degree / Provincial											
Vice Supreme Master	X	X	X	X				X	X		
District Master	X	X	X	X				X	X		
District											
District Deputy	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
Council											
Grand Knight	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Financial Secretary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Advocate	X	X	X	X			X	X	X		
Deputy Grand Knight	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Treasurer	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Membership Director	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Assembly											
Faithful Navigator	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Faithful Comptroller	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Faithful Admiral	X		X	X			X	X	X		
Faithful Pilot	X		X	X			X	X	X		
Faithful Purser	X	X	X	X				X	X		

Membership Notes

May 2022



Greetings Brothers,

With less than 60 days until the end of the fraternal year, our membership intake has been tracking well – okay, it could be better, with only 64% of our council active in recruiting this year, we are well on our way in

meeting our State goals! Thanks for all the councils who are doing so well.

SHOUT OUTS!

As of this writing the following District Deputies have reached or exceeded this year's membership goals. Thank you for all the hard work and dedication to our order:

- District 3 Tom McGrath (138.8%)
- District 13 (OPEN) (111.1%)
- District 29 Ross Larson (185.7%)
- District 32 Daniel Wieser (110%)
- District 47 Richard Raulin (160%)
- District 50 Roland Breunig (130%)
- District 63 Patrick Reiff (104%)
- District 64 Andrew Orgovan (260%)
- District 67 Richard Mich (193.3%)

When you see these gentlemen please congratulate them and tell them thanks.

Couple of "Honorable Mention" Districts who are within striking distance:

- District 12 Charles Reis (85%)
- District 23 David Dechant (60.8%)
- District 41 Gerald Leahy (60%)
- District 48 Charles Crave (75%)
- District 69 Timothy Bailey (93.3%)
- District 73 Brian Daniel (87.5%)
- District 83 Michael Morgan (66.6%)
- District 90 Kevin Cohrs (77.7%)

Diocesan Membership Coordinators

Holding councils accountable for recruitment and scheduling of exemplification is one of our primary goals this Fraternal year; your Diocesan Membership Coordinator (DMC) is there to help and assist you; please give them your attention

when they call. These guys have made my job easy this year and I want to thank them for all they have been doing. Please reach out to them and thank them.

FY 2021-2022 DMC's

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Finish Strong – Start Stronger

How do we building momentum for the next 90 days and into the first Quarter of the new Fraternal Year has always been a challenge – the question is simple one, the solution has always been the challenge.

I believe our WISCAPITA campaign this year has been a success and we should build on the success of communicating while challenging our councils. The purpose is simple, reward those councils who have done well, while enticing those that are on the fence and encouraging all to

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remain membership active or as our Worthy State Warden say “achieve a goal for change”.

The Incentive

1. Every council who has met their Supreme quota, as of March 31st will receive an additional 25% off their October billing for every five members they bring in between April 1-June 31
2. Councils who did not meet their Supreme quota by March 31st, but do so by June 31st will receive 25% off their October billing
3. Fast Start kicks July 1st
 - a. Councils who meet 50-99% of their Supreme quota by September 1st will receive 25% off their October per-capita billing.
 - b. Councils who achieve greater than 100% of quota by September 1st will receive 75% off their October per-capita billing

QR CODE



What is this? According to WIKIPEDIA, this is called a “QR code” (an initialism for quick response code) is a type of matrix barcode (or two-dimensional barcode) invented in 1994 by the Japanese automotive company Denso Wave. A barcode is a machine-readable optical label that can contain information about the item to which it is attached. In practice, QR codes often contain data for a locator, identifier, or tracker that points to a website or application. A QR

code uses four standardized encoding modes (numeric, alphanumeric, byte/binary, and kanji) to store data efficiently; extensions may also be used.

The Quick Response system became popular outside the automotive industry due to its fast readability and greater storage capacity compared to standard UPC barcodes. Applications include product tracking, item identification, time tracking, document management, and general marketing.

A QR code consists of black squares arranged in a square grid on a white background, which can be read by an imaging device such as a camera, and processed using Reed–Solomon error correction until the image can be appropriately interpreted. The required data is then extracted from patterns that are present in both horizontal and vertical components of the image.

This particular QR code directs users to kofc.org/join webpage where prospective new members can learn about the Knights and join as an “E-Member”. Can you think of ways to utilize this code to invite new members into your council?



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Online Membership

Current e-membership in the state stands at:

CLASS / TYPE – as of date	03-23-2022	05-03-2022	Monthly Change
ASSOCIATE	170	158	- 12
INSURANCE	40	39	- 1
INACTIVE	11	11	No change
HONORARY	0	0	No change
HONORARY LIFE	1	1	No change
AFFILIATE in 97048	1961	1916	- 45
EXEMPT	2	2	No change
ASSIGNED	124	112	- 12
UNASSIGNED	4	4	No change
TOTAL	221	208	- 13
Goals for Assigned and unassigned e-member prospects are ZERO			
New e-members YTD #	247	304	+ 57
New e-members YTD % of target (422)	58%	72%	+ 14%
Conversion into a council YTD #	168	226	+ 58
Conversion into a council YTD %	68%	74%	+ 6%
All time intake #	925	983	+ 58
All time conversion into a council #	653	715	+ 62
All time conversion into a council %	71%	73%	+ 2%

Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries, please check your Prospect lists in Officers Online at least once a week. If you have men showing there, CONTACT them. INVITE them to your Council meetings and activities. While you are together, invite them to attend an in-person or online DEGREE ceremony.

After completing the degree, PROCESS them into your council. It is as simple as entering the degree date (or council approval date for a prior member or transfer in) in the field and clicking the TRANSFER button. If the member does not wish to join your council, please REJECT him and select the appropriate reason. Please note the bold above. I have noticed recently a number of previous online members who have been transferred into a council who are taking a degree online and stating they have no degree, or are still an online member.

REMINDERS:

When joining online, the requirement is that each new member must sign up **himself**.

Online membership is a way for men interested in joining the Knights of Columbus to do so online, it is **not** to be used as a data entry system to enter new members from form 100s, prospect cards or parish lists. Use the Candidate tab for that. Online membership requires a member to join with full knowledge, consent, and active participation in the process. As a reminder, if an individual does not truthfully answer all application declarations, his membership in the Knights of Columbus is void.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Every man who joins online needs to access kofc.org/joinus from a compatible device, **personally** complete the online application testifying to all the attestations, and submit the online application **himself**.
- When possible, the member should use his own compatible device.
- The member must use their own valid email address when completing the online application.
- There is a new (as of 02-22-22) process in joining online. Instead of having to enter a verification code (a source of error), after the member completes and submits the first page of the online join process, which include his email address, he is sent an email to verify the email address. That email will contain a clickable link (available for only 24-hours) to complete the join process. Should he fail to act within the 24-hour window, he will see an error message and must restart the join process.

NOT ALLOWABLE:

- Completing the online application for a member even if they have asked you to do it for them.
- Collecting information from a proposed member on a form 100 or prospect card and using the information to sign the member up for online membership.
- Creating an email account for a member so they can complete the online membership process.

RESOURCES:

Please watch the short videos on the Supreme website [Membership Training](#). Click on Membership in the left menu and you will see the available videos. Here are direct links to each.

- [An Introduction to Online Membership](#) 5:36
- [Online Join Process](#) 6:22 This video will be updated soon (so I was told on Feb. 23, 2022) to reflect the new join email verification process.
- [Prospect Tab](#) 3:55
- [Candidate tab](#) 4:00

PROCESS:

Follow the standard procedures for a new e-member as with all new members:

- Completed form 100 or assigned e-member status in Prospect tab of Officers Online (OO).
- Admission committee vetting
- Council action (voting) – see [Guidelines for Online Voting - Motions](#) if holding virtual meetings
- Degree – Member must take the degree prior to being transferred into a council.
 - Process new 3rd degree member into your council via Form 100 submission or Online form 100 (Candidate tab) entry and transfer, or e-member transfer (Prospect tab).
 - **REMEMBER:** If you use either the Prospect tab or the Candidate tab to process your new members, do NOT submit a mailed paper or scanned pdf of the form 100. It just confuses the issue. Use only one of the available methods.
- Update degree status by entering degree dates for 2nd & 3rd degrees in Member Management.

WI Online Membership Coordinator
William G. Hitt
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Programs

Brothers,

I write this having just returned from the State Convention at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells, energized and ready to close out the 2021-22 Fraternal Year in grand fashion. As we progress through May and June, let me remind you of a few points to help conclude the year successfully.

First of all, try to meet or exceed your membership goals these last 2 months if you haven't already done so – have every Council bring in at least 1 new member – every Council active! Next, be sure you've participated in and promoted at least 2 Fraternal Benefits Nights. Check the Supreme and State websites or with your Field or General Agent for details. Next, check to see that your forms are all in – 185, 365, 1728 – very important! Reminder that your 185 will not be accepted if no Grand knight is listed and your 365 must include Membership, Program, Community and Family Directors as well as a Retention Chair. You also need to get your Child Safety Training Requirements completed. All of these are needed to qualify for Star Council, which should be the goal of every Council!

When these are all taken care of, as well as being in good standing with Supreme, then you need to get your Columbian Award form (SP7) in well before the June 30 deadline. Prior to that, you should have been submitting Form 10784s to Supreme and the State Forms address for each of the programs (Faith in Action and other major programs) you completed during the Fraternal Year. This helps them to track Council progress through the year and evaluate whether programs listed on the SP7 qualify for the award and whether they may count for 1 or 2 credits if they are a "Featured Program" (e.g., RSVP, Coats for Kids, Food for Families, Pregnancy Center Support, etc.). NOTE: to qualify for the Columbian Award, your SP7, must have 16 credits, not just 10 as was the case the last 2 years! Be sure that you have 4 qualifying Supreme, State or local programs in each of the 4 areas and that if you want a "Featured Program" to count for 2 credits that you have met minimum requirements for that. Best to turn in your SP7 early so that it can be evaluated and amended as needed. Check with me if you have questions.

Another major area to close out the Fraternal Year is to complete and submit your Wisconsin Outstanding Council Award form checklist. Download a copy from the State website, fill it out with your officers and directors and submit it to the State Forms address no later than July 15.

Other forms due by June 30 include:

- A) 2022-23 Form 185 to Supreme and State Forms address
- B) Form 2630 Roundtable Annual Report to Supreme and State Forms address
- C) Form 1748s for RSVP, Food for Families to Supreme and State Forms address

- D) All Councils should have their 2021-22 PKD and State Culture of Life Fund donations collected and into State Office by June 30. If you have questions as to how much you need to meet your 100% of Council quota, check with State Office or the State website.
- E) ID Drive collections and reports should be into State Office by June 30 to receive their refund checks by fall.
- F) History Books submitted only to qualify for the Outstanding Council Award should be into me by June 30.

As to general program reminders, I would note that continuing to do fundraisers for Ukraine Refugee Assistance is especially in order here in May and June, as are the Eucharistic Processions for Father's Day to start off the USCCB Eucharistic Revival. See the Supreme website for more information. Continue with your St. Joseph Icon prayer services if it is scheduled for your District. Finish up with your spring Soccer Challenge and get your reports into Supreme and your Diocesan Program Coordinator when completed.

I'd also like to congratulate all those who received awards at the Convention for their hard work during the year (e.g., Membership Awards, Medallion Awards, History Book and Program Awards, DD Awards, etc.). I would especially like to congratulate the State Family of the Year – the Doug and Amy Miller Family from Council 1709 in South Milwaukee. Also, kudos to Kenosha Council 973 and GK Dr. David Kreutz who won the State Service Program Awards in the Faith, Family and Culture of Life categories as well as the Division III State Deputy Trophy! Congratulations also to All Saints Council 4240 in Menomonee Falls (GK Donald McInnes) for winning the Community category for the Service Program Awards as well as U.W. Madison Catholic Center Council 6568 (GK Jose Montoya) for winning the Leave No Neighbor Behind Award. Congratulations also to Holy Spirit Council 4648 in Brookfield (GK Doug Wildes) and Quad County Council 9546 in Birchwood (GK John Kinnick) for earning the Division II and I State Deputy Trophies respectively. Well done!

Finally, take some time to relax and enjoy the warmer spring weather with your family. Especially, for Armed Forces and Memorial Days, coming up soon, remember and honor all those who protect and defend our safety and security, preserving those freedoms we so cherish, many of whom have given their all in the process; as well as the families they left behind. Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Bill Frayer
State Program Director



General Agent Message

Worthy state Family, Bishops and Members,

Most of us know the story, "*The Master has need of it.*"

Over the past 40 days we have been given the gift of insight. Insight into the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord and with this insight one thing becomes very clear. That is that God's love for us, is **Undeniable**. The purpose of Lent is to refocus our attention of the scripture and to ask ourselves how we are using this living work to be the best Catholics we can be. This prompts a lot of questions for us all.



So here are a few of the questions I thought about when I heard the words from the story, *The Master has need of it*. If I were a disciple sent off to procure the colt for Jesus, would I be able to find it? Would the person who owns it give it to me without a fight? Then, even if those two things *did* happen, would I do with the colt what Jesus asked of me? To do so would require my complete and unquestioning faith and trust in Him. To follow Him even when what he asks does not always make sense to me.

The Master has need of it.

I then asked myself, what if I were the owner of the colt. Would I be greedy and say no to the Master? I mean, what if it was a brand-new colt? What if I had formed an attachment to it? Perhaps I had paid a great sum for it. Why would I just let some strangers untie it and take it away for some unnamed "Master" I knew very little about? I must have re-read this story a dozen times and wondered what I would have done. Would I have given up the colt if I hadn't known it was for HIM?

The Master has need of it.

Now I don't know if it was all the Easter candy, the fasting, or the long travel hours over the holiday weekend, but I began to even think to myself, what if I was the colt, the donkey? Would I have been willing to carry Jesus? Would I been willing to bear the load? I most likely would have balked at the thought of being put into service and not knowing the reason. I could have felt resentful to be taken from my home, a place of comfort and security, by strangers to carry another stranger. However, I can image, the moment the colt looked Jesus in the eyes, and saw him as so much more than a stranger. To see him as the Loving Lord, and knowing he was going to care for me while not asking me to do anything that could not be completed. I can imagine hearing Him saying to me over and over, *it will be alright, just TRUST in Me*. I can then imagine seeing the all of people and being happy for the small roll I was playing in carrying Christ on Palm Sunday.

Well, my Brothers and Sisters, the Master is in need of **you**. Not in some story or parable, but in this world right now. He is in need of you in all three ways, to give him your *time*, your *talents* and your *treasure*. Not just for a little while, but forever to change the world. We must be willing to hear that He needs us to share his love in a darkened world. With strangers, co-workers, the financially poor, as well as those poor in spirit.

We must reach out to our neighbors, with the good news, we must reach our communities and parishes and tell them, **The Master has a need of you!** Please look for ways to share this good news, now that He is risen!!

Vivat Jesus!

Tim Nowak, GA Wisconsin/ UP Michigan

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The Donkey's Cross

"Bring me the colt of a donkey" was the Master's request.

A young donkey was brought to Jesus to carry Him into Jerusalem.

A week later Jesus was ordered crucified.

The little donkey so loved the Lord that he wanted to help him carry the cross.

But alas, he was pushed away.

The sad little donkey waited to say goodbye until nearly all had left.

As he turned to leave, the shadow of the cross fell upon his back and shoulders.

And there it has remained a tribute to the loyalty and love of the humblest of God's creatures.

A black and white line drawing of a donkey standing in a field. On its back, it carries a large wooden cross. The cross is positioned such that its vertical post is on the ground behind the donkey's back, and its horizontal beam rests on the donkey's shoulders. The donkey is looking down and to the right with a sad expression. The background shows a simple horizon line and some ground texture.

Culture of Life Update

Dear Brother Knights,

Ever since May 2, 2022, when the leaked United States Supreme Court draft opinion on *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Clinic* surfaced, the pro-abortion contingent has been dog-whistling for their thugs to come out to harass and intimidate pro-lifers all across our nation. I'm not talking about an actual dog whistle, but a subtly aimed political message intended to embolden the most extreme pro-abortion ideologues.

It is a Federal Felony to harass or intimidate a justice of the court on any case, yet abortion backers have been standing outside the private residences of Justice Brett Kavanaugh and Chief Justice John Roberts and forcing Justice Samuel Alito and his family to be relocated to an undisclosed location! The White House provided a weak condemnation of these actions, and has failed to take any measures to reproach the behavior, even instructing local police to "stand down." This action is not surprising considering the extreme abortion support espoused by this administration.

A group called Ruth Sent Us has even gone so far as to dox the five supreme court justices by publishing their names and home addresses online. The same group then targeted the Catholic Church in particular, encouraging abortion supporters to "chant" in their local churches on behalf of "abortion rights." All U.S. Catholic Churches were put on high alert over Mother's Day weekend. Pro-abortion groups entered countless churches to interrupt the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, held disturbing rallies outside Saint Patrick's Cathedral in New York, spray painted numerous churches across the nation, and are a possible suspect in the case of a stolen tabernacle at St. Bartholomew Catholic Church in Katy, Texas as they called for the "burning [of] the Eucharist."

And that's not all! Pro-abortion groups vandalized Pregnancy Resource Centers in Denton, Texas and Portland, Oregon. Their other targets were two pro-life organizations, Oregon Right to Life in Keizer, Oregon and Wisconsin Family Action in Madison, Wisconsin—right here in our home state. They threw Molotov cocktails, burned out the offices, and wrote threatening messages on the buildings. On the sidewalks outside of Affiliated Medical Services in Milwaukee, abortion extremists gestured with guns at pro-life sidewalk counselors! The increasingly violent actions of abortion supporters are showing their desperation. We are not surprised at the violence since we have been witnesses to violence in the womb for so many years.

We are under attack, but we will not back down. The forces of evil are no doubt fueling these actions, but we know who has claimed the final victory. "For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." Ephesians 6:12

As my great uncle Jim Payne, a World War II glider pilot, used to tell me, "Danny boy, you know you are over your target when you start to get flak!" Well, folks, we are definitely over our target. The long-awaited day is coming. If this draft opinion stands, it will overturn *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* and remand the decision-making back to the states. Our work is about to intensify tenfold, and we need your help in this historic moment!

Please pray for the safety of all pro-lifers and give your best gift to your favorite pregnancy resource center. Help us in this battle for life and truth! St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us!!

Vivat Jesus,

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS THANK YOU

It was my great honor to be able to finish the drive for Team Wisconsin at this year's Wis KofC State Convention. I was able to present to SOWI checks totaling \$19,863.26 to finish the drive with a total amount of \$142,647.27. We exceeded our goal of \$125,000.00 to fund the travel expenses of the Team to the National Games in Orlando, Fl. A big **THANK YOU TO THE 156 Councils** who donated to this drive in the last four years.

This year we were very blessed to have received a check from the Supreme Council for \$6,300.00. The money we receive comes from Councils reporting to Supreme on donations, events, and man hours to support Special Olympics.

Thank You to the 62 councils who reported their involvement, and filed Form 10784. This report form is online and should be filed soon after every event that has anything to do with Special Olympics. It is not meant to be filled once a year, but as many times as events are done. Councils who have monies from the ID Tootsie Roll drive designated to Special Olympics, either our Team Drive or a local group should file form 10784, reporting man hours, number of men and dollars collected shortly after the drive. This reporting is what determines the amount we receive from Supreme for the year.

I have set our goal for the 2026 Team Wisconsin Drive at \$150,000.00, which I believe can be reached. If we can exceed our goal for 2022 during 2 years of pandemic, we should easily meet this goal.

There are many events during the year that Knights can volunteer to help at. Contact your local Special Olympics Group for details and how to help. Also, there are many State events that can use the help of Knights.

Date	Event	Location	Venue	Lead Contact Information
14-May	State Football (Soccer)	Muskego	W185S8750 Racine Ave, Muskego, WI 53150	262-518-2313 jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org
14-May	Regional Athletics	Muskego	W185S8750 Racine Ave, Muskego, WI 53150	262-518-2313 jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org

Date	Event	Location	Venue	Lead Contact Information
14-May	Regional Athletics	Merrill	Merrill High School; 1201 North Sales Street Merrill WI 54452	262-518-2314 aweinfurter@specialolympicswisconsin.org
14-May	Regional Athletics	Racine	Case High School; 7345 Washington Ave, Racine, WI 53406	262-518-2316 btrewyn@specialolympicswisconsin.org
15-May	Regional Athletics	Oregon	Oregon High School 456 N Perry Pkwy, Oregon, WI 53575	608-442-5670 Nchristensen@SpecialOlympicsWisconsin.org
21-May	District Swimming	Menomonie	Menomonie High School 1715 5th St. W, Menomonie, WI 54751	715-204-9696 mharrison@specialolympicswisconsin.org
21-May	Regional Athletics	Ashwaubenon	2391 S Ridge Rd, Green Bay, WI 54304	(920) 659-5911 cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org
7-May	District Swimming	Oshkosh		(920) 659-5911 cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org
24-May	Regional Athletics	Green Bay	2391 S Ridge Rd, Green Bay, WI 54304	(920)-659-5911 cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org
4-Jun	Team Wisconsin USA Games Send-Off	Milwaukee		jwagner@specialolympicswisconsin.org; 608- 442-5669
5-Jun to 12- Jun	USA Games	Florida	Disney	262-518-2313 jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org
9-Jul	District Bocce	Lake Geneva	Badger High School, 220 E South St, Lake Geneva, WI 53147	(262) 518-2316 btrewyn@specialolympicswisconsin.org
9-Jul	District Bocce & Softball	Onalaska	Onalaska Parks and Rec + Onalaska Middle School North Fields	715-204-9696 mharrison@specialolympicswisconsin.org
17-Jul	District Bocce, Softball, Tee Ball	Richfield	Heritage Park Hubertus, WI 53033	262-518-2314 aweinfurter@specialolympicswisconsin.org
19-Jul	District Bocce, Softball	Appleton	Appleton Memorial Park 1620 E Witzke Blvd, Appleton, WI 54911	(920) 659-5911 cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org
TBD- July	District Bocce	Green Bay		(920) 659-5911 cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org
July 29- 31, 2022	50th Anniversary Celebration Games (SG & Outdoor Sports Tournament)	Waukesha	Carroll University, 100 N East Ave, Waukesha, WI 53186	262-518-2313 jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org

Date	Event	Location	Venue	Lead Contact Information
14-Aug	Southern State Golf	Columbus	Kestrel Ridge Golf Course 900 Avalon Road, Columbus, WI 53925	608-442-5670 Nchristensen@SpecialOlympicsWisconsin.org
31-Aug	Forward Madison Unified Team	Omaha	Union Omaha Field	emuehlenkamp@specialolympicswisconsin.org

Please keep our Special Olympics athletes in your prayers.

John Benisch

Special Olympics Coordinator

Faith in Action – Family Programs

Hello Brother Knights!

This month continues the great progress for the Family of the Month program. A quick summary is below but click on the Flocknote link below for all the details.



Family of the Month

Thank you again for an **amazing** month! All the details can be found in the Family Director Flocknote post <https://knightswisc.flocknote.com/FamilyDirector/note/16471110>. Check it out!

Supreme

Wisconsin is in 2nd place in the order and have submitted **9.9%** of all FOMs received by Supreme. The Supreme family of the month is the **Jose and Tolu Sanabria Family** (Father Inama Council 3924, District 45, Madison Diocese).

Alert!

There were **fifteen** families submitted to Supreme, but they could not count the forms because not all the information was submitted on the form. Fields that **MUST** be filled out are:

- Month
- Husband's Name
- Address
- City
- State
- Zip code

If you are submitting a single woman or a widow as your family of the month, **please put their name in the Husband's Name field**. It makes no sense, but not doing so will exclude the family from potentially being chosen as the Supreme Wisconsin Family of the Month.

Diocese

Madison Diocese led with **69%** district participation with Green Bay Diocese having the most FOMs by submitting **13** families.

Here are the Diocesan Families of the Month.

Green Bay	Robert and Gail Breu	La Crosse	Jim and Carol Reider
Madison	Ted and Mary Novinska	Milwaukee	Scott and Smantha Hall
Superior	Jeff and Deborah Williams		

District

58% of the districts submitted at least one family. **Districts on Fire:** Three districts submitted three or more families and nine districts submitted two families.

Council

There were no new councils submitting a family of the Month.

Golden Family Councils

Golden Family Councils are those that submit a family of the month each month of the fraternal year starting in July and ending in the following June. There are 35 Golden Family Councils that submitted families for the fraternal year so far. Thank you, councils, as you are demonstrating true leadership in this program.

Supreme News

There is a problem with the online 10784 where the family summary is restricted to 250 characters. Supreme is aware of the problem and there is not estimated time of repair.

Here is a link to the video on how to fill out the new **online** version of the 10784 form.

https://site-842560.bcvp0rtal.com/detail/videos/forms/_video/6222163148001/fraternal-programs-report-form-10784-training-video?autoStart=true

After you fill out the online 10784, you will receive a PDF file that you can include in your council history books. **Please forward this PDF to forms@wikofc.com** so that your family can be considered for the Diocesan Family of the Month award.

Gentlemen, it is a **privilege and honor** to serve you and your councils! **Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help.**

Vivat Jesus!



SK Joe Uchtyl
State Family Coordinator

Save the DATE!



2022 State Golf Tournament



July 30th & 31st 2022

Golf Course Activities Include:

- Shotgun Start @ 9AM
- Men's & Mixed Divisions
- Hole-in-One Events
- Closest-to-the-Pin Contest
- 50 /50 Raffle
- Raffle Items
- Gift Bag & Box Lunch
- **FUN!!!**



Off-Site Activities Include:

- **Saturday 4PM Mass**
(St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church)



- **Golfer's Banquet**
(Saturday – at the Course)
- **Cocktails @ 5PM**
(Cash Bar)
- **Dinner @ 6PM**
(Baked Chicken , BBQ Ribs & More!)

\$85.00 / Person
(Day 1 or Day 2)
\$150.00 / 2 Days

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Council #1133

(See Reverse Side for Registration Form & Additional Information)



2022 State Golf Tournament

Register Today!



EVENT DATE: Saturday & Sunday / July 30th & 31st 2022

EVENT TIME: Registration @ 7:30AM / Shotgun Start @ 9:00AM

Merrill Golf Club / 1604 O'Day Street, Merrill, WI
Phone: 715-536-2529 / Email: manager@merrillgolfclub.com



Established in the late 1920's, **Merrill Golf Club**, is the one of the oldest 18-hole golf facilities in the Northwoods. After the completion of the back nine in 1986, Merrill Golf Club is one of the more challenging and longest courses in Central Wisconsin. With banquet facility, two bars, and patio overlooking the 9th hole, Merrill Golf Club makes a welcome environment for our visiting Knights and their guests!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 30, 2022 **EVENT COST:** \$85 / Day / Person
\$150 / 2-Days

If a foursome, please list your team captain & all team members below. **Each team member is responsible for their own registration form.** No metal spikes or "cutoffs" please.



TEAM CAPTAIN'S NAME	E-MAIL	PHONE

GOLFER NAME(S)	Council Number	PLEASE MAKE YOUR SELECTION			AMOUNT
		Golf Sat. & Banquet	Golf Sun. & Banquet	Golf Both & Banquet	Total
(Example)		\$85.00	\$85.00	\$150.00	
John Smith	1234			X	\$150.00
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					

Note: If golf events for both Saturday & Sunday are not filled, we will put teams together as necessary.

Special Note: I have members of my party that are not golfing but wish to attend the banquet at the course on Saturday evening:

NUMBER of GUEST DINNERS @ \$16.00 / Person _____

Send / Fax / E-mail this Entry Form to:

Fr. Rene Menard Council #1133
1708 E. 10th St. Merrill, WI 54452
cohrc@charter.net
Ph: 715-218-1791; Fax: 877-577-5971

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Please return form w/check payable to: **Fr. Rene Menard Council #1133**

LOCAL ACCOMODATIONS:

- AmericInn by Wyndham Merrill: 715-536-7979
- Cobblestone Inn in Merrill: 715-539-6880
- Wausau area hotels (Near Shopping)
- Hilton Garden Inn: 715-298-5775
- Wausau Hampton Inn: 715-848-9700

Supreme Training Update

Below are the trainings being offered in May along with the Registration links.

Delta Drive

Come learn how to do the Delta Church drive method. this highly effective process of growth through communication will help you go from prospects to members and answer the why of growth.

5/2/22 @ 8:00 pm CDT (9:00 pm EDT)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/3190355456280418829>

Forms and Supreme Website

Many councils have been struggling with where and how to fill out the forms on the Supreme website. Where do we find them? How do we fill them out? Who can fill out the online forms? Who has access? Lots of questions to go through and we will get the answers together.

5/3/22 @ 8:00 pm CDT (9:00 pm EDT)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6382698407086068495>

You are Your Programs

- We will cover in this training
- Understand the council's perception by fellow parishioners, particularly that of inactive members and future potential members.
- Construct a council mission statement that reflects the council's vision and goals. u Understand the Faith in Action program model and its four categories – Faith, Family, Community and Life.
- Identify the council's flagship program(s).
- Access the council's current program regimen and identify the current strengths and weaknesses among its program calendar.
- Develop a calendar for the next 6-12 months that responds to the council's mission statement and addresses some of the council's strengths and weaknesses identified above.
- Understand the Program Director's role in leading the council's programming efforts.

5/9/22 @ 8:00 pm CDT (9:00 pm EDT)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/7940000497179782413>

Grand Knight Overview

I have been elected Grand Knight. Now what do I do? Meetings, Appointments, Star Councils, Growth, and many other things a Grand Knight has in front of him. How do I do it? This webinar will cover duties of a Grand Knight and keys to success that will help Grand Knights be the best they can be.

5/16/22 @ 8:00 pm CDT (9:00 pm EDT)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/300156101764008207>

Council Officer Overview

The Leadership of the council is important to the success of it. Good leaders make good council and to pick good leaders we must first know what the responsibilities of each position. During the webinar we will cover the main responsibilities of each officer position. This will be an overview to help us select the next leaders for our next successful year

5/23/22 @ 8:00 PM CDT (9:00 PM EDT)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1565945773497014798>

District Deputy Overview

My State Deputy just called; my Appointment as a District Deputy has been approved. Now what do I do? This presentation will help overview some of the things a District Deputy should be aware of. From simple duties to where can I get answers to local council questions. This under an hour presentation will give you a good first foot in the role as District Deputy

5/24/22 at 8:00 PM CDT (9:00 PM EDT)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/232875885757057295>



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF KENOSHA, WISCONSIN



Many families have been struck by the horrible misfortune of miscarriage. Families have been left wondering if it was caused by something they did or didn't do. The grief is sometimes overwhelming.

There is now a place in Kenosha where those struck by miscarriage can go to sit, contemplate, and pray for the souls of these Innocents lost.

We would be honored if you could join us for the dedication of the **Monument to the Unborn**, located at the **Site of Holy Innocents** at All Saints Cemetery in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin. The Most Reverend James T. Schuerman - Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will celebrate Mass followed by the dedication ceremony. A light meal and refreshments will be provided after the ceremonies.



Date: Saturday, June 18

Time: Mass begins at 4:00 pm followed by the monument dedication, followed by repast and refreshments

Where: All Saints Cemetery, 3300 Springbrook Road, Pleasant Prairie, WI

BYOC: Bring your own chair!

RSVP: Please RSVP by June 11 to: Terry Glidden – taglidden@gmail.com (262) 951-6689

St. Joseph Icon Program – Schedule

This year’s Icon Program is with the St. Joseph Icon. We have the Icons, Books, and Cards and they are traveling with the Icons. For more information, please see the Supreme Resources at:

<http://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/faith/pilgrim-icon.html>

Please contact State Coordinator Dennis Bednarek with any questions on this program.

Transfer date	Icon 1	Icon 2	Icon 3	Icon 4
Saturday, January 1, 2022	64	6	47	25
Saturday, February 5, 2022	65	7	45	23
Saturday, March 12, 2022	70	3	43	21
Saturday, April 16, 2022	68	4	51	31
Saturday, May 21, 2022	72	5	52	32
Saturday, June 25, 2022	67	8	42	22
Saturday, July 30, 2022	73	13	40	24
Saturday, September 3, 2022	49	2	41	30
Saturday, October 8, 2022	50	1	26	29
Saturday, November 12, 2022	48	80	46	27
Saturday, December 10, 2022	63	85	44	28
Saturday, January 21, 2023	62	91	14	90
Saturday, February 25, 2023	69	83	10	89
Saturday, April 1, 2023	60	81	25	87
Saturday, May 6, 2023	61	82	11	
Saturday, June 10, 2023	66		12	
Saturday, July 15, 2023	71		9	

Vivat Jesus

SK Dennis Bednarek PGK PFN FDD

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Home: no longer in service