



Wisconsin Knights of Columbus March 2019 Newsletter



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Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent – forty days of preparation for the Easter season when we are called to deepen our spiritual lives through the practices of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. These forty days could be a chance also for your councils to grow spiritually as a group – exercising together – maybe it's saying an extra rosary or starting a habit of saying the rosary every day, or doing one extra outreach program in your council, or perhaps reaching out to your members and inviting them to parish activity. Challenge yourself to start making a habit of engaging our brothers, while meeting them where they are at. Nunc Coepi!

What does it cost your council to lose a member? Organizational studies have shown that acquiring new members is five to twenty-five times more expensive than retaining an existing member, we want to keep growing the order, the real cost to find and convince a new member to join maybe costing your council more than to keeping our current members engaged.

Most new members decide if they're going to participate in your council long-term within the first few months, sometimes days and even minutes of joining (so, just how was that Admissions degree performed?). The first interaction with your council will make a lasting impression on a new member, and provides the hook needed to build a relationship that lasts for years to come.

To make a relationship a strong one, here are six tips that might be helpful:

Thank them – that's simple, but how many times do we forget? Grand Knights and leaders of the council need to make members feel appreciated and welcomed, not just the first meeting, but continuously. Celebrate them by listing each new member in your email newsletter, list and thank those volunteers for attending that helping at last weekends Pancake Porky breakfast.

Focus on the individual – ask potential members what their wants and needs are. If they are married ask what their family wants and needs are. Explain how the Knights of Columbus can help them pursue these interests.

Be understanding of time – many young people may object that they do not have enough time for the Knights of Columbus. Emphasize that attendance at every event or meeting is not necessary and ask if they can commit to a couple events per quarter. Utilize the 24 Hours Can Change a Life brochure for a yearlong plan for active membership.

Use Faith in Action Programs – Programs such as Helping Hands, Sacramental Gifts, Spiritual Reflection, Holy Hours and Family of the Month/Year are great ways to attract and engage young men and their families. These programs

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meet needs to allow for interactive community service, grow in faith, and participate in the Knights of Columbus as a family unit.

Assign them a “buddy”. Through your social community, connect new members with your top volunteer “ambassadors” or “buddies”. This helps new members get to know the organization and feel more welcome.

Foster continuous engagement – using mobile apps to engage your members through push notifications. For example, as an important topic is talked about, notify members so they can join the conversation. Members will not know unless you're consistently informing them.

These are but a few ideas that could help councils not only gain members but keep them for the long run. The key is to engage new members early and often. This can also work on members you have not seen for a while as well, invite them back and keep them engaged. Lent is a time for reflection and change, what works and what doesn't work. Take this year's journey to engage with others, grow in faith through your family, church and council. Lent is a time to say “No” to excuses, start something new while forging forward enriching our hearts, minds and faith of our councils.

Nunc Coepi!
Long live Christ the King!
Vivat Jesus!

Jack Wrbanich
State Deputy
Wisconsin State Council

Wisconsin K of C State Charity Raffle

If your council needs more raffle tickets, and your DD is out, please contact me directly at mark.kohls@att.net stating your council #, how many you need, and a shipping address.

Council Raffle Chairmen should be promoting this worthy cause because we receive many grants weekly and want to help all those in need. Also, please make at least one deposit each month of the upcoming months of March and April to your Diocesan Charity Coordinator listed below to help reduce the amount of money brought to the convention. Make sure to fill out and send in your Council's Charity Grant Form no later than the convention.

Grant request forms were updated in June 2018, so please use the latest form instead of using a pre-2018 form. Make sure that all boxes are filled in to the best of your ability and be sure to understand the difference between their bills and what they owe (which is their debt). A Knight must fill out the form not the recipient. Also, if the recipient is a minor we need the name of the parent or a guardian who is in charge of the minor. Grand Knights read the form over before signing to make sure that all of the information has been given and that you are attesting to the debt and the need.

Your State Charity Diocesan coordinators are:

Green Bay Jeff and Lily Janssen 920-489-0790 jcjracer@gmail.com
(the directory is wrong listing last year's coordinators);

La Crosse Dan and Joan Spencer 715-305-0398 spencer5062@outlook.com;

Madison Bob and Colleen Pizur 608-285-0175 anrca@charter.net;

Milwaukee Jim and Beth TenPas 920-207-6007 sapnet@charter.net;

Superior Dennis and Doris Berends 715-265-4186 dennisberends@centurytel.net. -

Mark Kohls, WI Charity Committee Director 920-639-4991 mark.kohls@att.net.





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Knights of Columbus
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RAFFLE

1st Prize **\$50,000!**



or 2019 Ford F150
XLT Supercab

2nd Prize **\$25,000!**

or 2019 Harley
Davidson Low rider



An Amazing 80 More Cash Prizes!

3rd thru 82nd \$500 each

Tickets \$5.00 each 100% of profits go to charities in Wisconsin!

Drawing held Saturday April 27th, 2019 7:00pm at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel, Appleton WI

State Raffle License # R0009675A-92141

Winners will be posted by 8:00pm and at <http://wikofc.com> within 48 hours

Tickets Contact _____

I have been asked to be a
Grand Knight,
What are my responsibilities?

Ceremonials

- ◆ Coordinates installation of council officers with district deputy.
- ◆ Schedules and publicizes frequent First Degrees.
- ◆ Confers with district deputy for Second and Third Degrees.
- ◆ Arranges Mass for departed brothers.
- ◆ Awards certificates, cards and pins during "Honorary Membership" and "Honorary Life Membership" ceremonies.
- ◆ Maintains proper conduct of ceremonials at regular meetings.

Duties

- ◆ Appoints a council chaplain.
- ◆ Appoints a membership director to organize and implement the council's recruitment, retention and insurance promotion action plans.
- ◆ Appoints Program Director to organize and implement the council's service programs.
- ◆ Appoints standing committees.
- ◆ Schedules and presides at council officers' meetings.
- ◆ Regularly monitors the council's performance toward achieving its membership, insurance and Service Program goals and awards.
- ◆ Appoints admission committee and makes sure it functions properly.
- ◆ Recognizes honorary and honorary life members.
- ◆ Recognizes past grand knights, "Knight of the Year," community leaders, etc.
- ◆ Conducts semi-annual council audit with trustees in January and July.
- ◆ Ensures forms, i.e., election of officers, appointments, awards, Fraternal Survey, etc., are completed by appro-

Has your Council
made a donation
to PKD (Penny a
Knight a Day),
Respect Life or
the Special
Olympics?

Registration for
State Convention
is open.

Please register at

www.wikofc.com

Meet Your WI KC Directors

Ron Faust-Membership



Brothers, when you became a Knight, what did you expect? Did you expect major changes in your life? If you are like me, you did not. My intentions were to be minimally involved. Like you, I had a full life.

At my first meeting, after the admission degree, a Knight stood up and told of a person in need, suggesting we donate. A motion was quickly made and seconded and voted on with no further discussion! Welcome to the Knights of Charity. The lesson of my admission degree was doubly exemplified.

My first officer role was a short term, 6-month, appointment to the position of Recorder – just until elections. Six years later I was still the Recorder. And 5 years into that time my Brother Knights managed to get me to my first ever spiritual retreat, at the age of 48! That experience contributed greatly to my family coming into the Church. I can never thank my Brother Knights enough for their role in making possible the Blessing of bringing my family into Holy Mother Church. Praise God for all who

said Yes to serve for so many years before me.

Recorder was a good position for me. I had ZERO desire to be Grand Knight. But the well ran dry as it does from time to time in every council and I somewhat fearfully offered to serve. It was a bit too big of a job for me, but with the generous support of many Brother Knights in my council, it worked out.

My Knights supported the decision to support an expensive billboard campaign, putting a newly built Planned Parenthood killing center in the shadow of a full-size pro-life message. The success of that campaign was made possible by the Unity of the Knights of the Madison Diocese, as it became a diocesan wide effort. It was too big for our council.

That led to the test marketing of some new, pro-life television commercials. It was so successful we were allowed to show the commercials at a State Convention, which led to my appointment to the position of State Respect Life Coordinator. It was a very daunting appointment. I somewhat fearfully accepted, and immediately sought Brother Knights more experienced to be on the State Respect Life Team. They gave their time generously, as Knights do, and they did not let me fail. In hindsight, it was silly of me to fear to serve with Brother Knights.

After three years as Respect Life Coordinator, just when I was starting to get the hang of it, (sound familiar!) it was suggested that I might better serve as a State Officer. I ran against some good men, men who I would not have been disappointed to lose to, and I won. To be honest, having not served as a District Deputy, I was not as seasoned as I needed to be. There was a lot I did not know. But again, many Brother Knights consistently and generously gave their time and talent, and your State Council survived!

Every success of our jurisdiction during my time as a State Officer and now as your State Membership Director, can be directly attributed to the support of my Lady, Gail, and to many charitable Brother Knights.

One quick anecdote. Early on I was in a room with dozens of Brother Knights when someone asked who the current State Deputy was. A few of us knew, but we remained silent. No one could answer. That is when I learned that Knights do their good work because of who they are, not who their leaders are. It is an honor to serve such men, and nearly impossible to fail. Do not be afraid to serve.

Ron Faust

State Program/Community Director



Brothers,

Here we are 2/3 of the way into our 2018-19 Fraternal Year; much has been accomplished, but there's so much more to be done in these final 4 months.

Hopefully, your Order-wide Church Drives and Admission Degrees, other recruiting activities, Benefits Nights, etc. are ready to go in March and beyond as you strive to achieve your goal of Star Council. Work with your General Agents and Field Agents, Diocesan Young Adult Member Recruiting Teams, District Deputies and Diocesan Membership Coordinators, neighboring Councils, etc. to help you make this happen.

It appears that Councils are embracing the Faith in Action format and programs. Once again I remind you that you should be working on your Columbian Award forms and Wisconsin Outstanding Council forms, at your officer/Council meetings and with your District Deputies on a monthly basis so that they're ready to be submitted by June. You only have 4 months yet to get those 4 required Supreme programs completed (Helping Hands, Consecration to the Holy Family, Novena for Life, and Spiritual Reflection). Furthermore, those Child Safety Requirements need to be met no later than May 1. Let's get these all taken care of soon that we can have 100 or more Star Councils and Wisconsin Outstanding Council winners!

By now, your registration and other details for the State Convention should be completed or nearly so. 2018 History Books were due to District Deputies for grading, unless you want them only to qualify for the Outstanding Council Award, in which case they are due to me by June 1. State Officers and Program Coordinators will be gathering in Madison March 16 to grade the regular History Books, aiming toward the State Deputy Trophy, as well as the Service Program Awards. The State Service Program Award forms (for your best programs in the areas of Faith, Community, Family and Life) are due to State Office or to me by March 1! Forms can be downloaded from the Supreme Website, as can the Columbian Award form and Faith in Action program reporting forms. Wisconsin Outstanding Council Award form can be downloaded from the State website.

The State Knowledge and Free Throw Contests will be held at Assumption High School in Wisconsin Rapids on Saturday, March 30. Registration will be 10-11 AM, with competition beginning by 11:15 AM for Free Throw and 11:30 for Math & Spelling. Free Throw contestants need to bring their own practice ball. We are also urging Councils to consider holding a Soccer Challenge in April-June rather than waiting until fall.

Don't forget to get your PKD and Culture of Life donations collected from your members and in as soon as you can. Your plans for the ID Drive and Charity Raffle Ticket sales should be going well. Turn in your raffle ticket proceeds and Charity Request form for the State before the Convention if at all possible!

Have a great March; soon the cold and snow will be over and spring will be here - seems like it can't come soon enough!

Fraternally,
Bill Frayer
State Program/Community Director

Knights in Action



The Annual, Beloit, St. Thomas Council #605 Wild Game Dinner was a success again. We served 90 guests several types of wild game donated by hunters friendly to the knights and cooked up by brother Bruce Hartley.

Bruce, lead six Apostles and some family members in a biblical effort, feeding 90 people. Many left the hall on that cold snowy January 26 night, returning home with

prizes and unending leftovers to remember the fine dining. Not making it home in the later part of 2018 were raccoon, with sauerkraut or barbecue sauce, and beaver, cooked the Italian way or just plain spicy. Rabbit, bison, elk, deer and salmon participated too, along with several of the wives home made desserts.



On Sunday, January 27th Bishop David Ricken dedicated the new Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Oconto. Father Joel Sember, Pastor (center) is surrounded by 19 Honor Guard Members from Oconto, Green Bay, Oneida, Crivitz and Marinette.

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES PROGRAM

As we turn the calendar to March it is time to start getting prepared for the Helping People with Intellectual Disabilities Drive. All the Tootsie Rolls have been ordered and they should begin to be delivered by the end of March. Please be sure the business or church you are having the shipment dropped off at, is aware a semi with a pallet of Tootsie Rolls is arriving. Each year at least one drop off point is not aware they have been selected to have Tootsie Rolls delivered to.

It is a good time to set your dates and locations for your drives. Choose a weekend from late April until early June that works best for you Council and town. Consider asking a local group who assists those with intellectual disabilities to assist you. I have had several groups email me this year asking if they can help with our drives. I try to pass this information along to local councils. On a personal note my council has VARC workers assist us. They love being able to assist by getting out and talking to people. The VARC workers collection canisters are always considerably more packed with donations than an of the Knights. They even dominate the Knights that bring their small children to help.

Tootsie Rolls will begin to arrive the week of March 18.

Thank you for all you do for the Order.

Mark Jelinek
WI KC ID Director



State Free Throw and Knowledge Contests

The State Free Throw and Knowledge Contests has been set for March 30th At Assumption High School, 445 Chestnut Street, Wisconsin Rapids.

Registration will begin for both events at 10:00 AM and the contests will begin at 11:30 AM.

A couple of reminders:

All students competing should have the correct travel card for these events.

All competitors should have gone through the Diocesan level to compete at the State events.

Free Throw competitors are encouraged to bring their own basketball for warm ups. It is also highly encouraged they write their name on the ball with permanent marker to avoid confusion.

Any questions OR issues, please direct them to the following State Coordinators:

Knowledge:

Randy Demars

715-271-4157

randall.demars@gmail.com

Free Throw:

Miles Casey

715-579-9124

big-

miles77@yahoo.com

Vivat Jesus!



Knights in Action



Council 3955 Annual
Appreciation
Banquet



Knights of Columbus Menasha
Council 1838 held a parish
breakfast with paczkis at St
Mary's Monsignor Hummel
Hall on Sunday February 17th.





Marian Prayer Program Our Lady of Help of Persecuted Christians

Brother Knights,

This winter has really been a challenge on all of us. Imagine this stress and strain on an ongoing basis as in the Middle East, where daily, your life is challenged. This may be physically, financially, emotionally on a daily basis just because you are a Christian. It would be easy to give up the faith to have less challenges to the family, work and friends. Many of the Christians in the Middle East press on because of the personal relationship that they have with Jesus and know the interior joy and freedom they have in knowing Jesus. In August 2018 the Knights of Columbus made a commitment in prayer and works to help these suffering Christians in their time of need. Below is a reprint on the commitment made by our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson for the whole Knights of Columbus.

"Baltimore, Md., Aug 7, 2018 / 04:00 pm (CNA). - Knights of Columbus Supreme Knight Carl Anderson pledged the fraternal organization's continued efforts to aid and rebuild persecuted Christian communities in the Middle East, during his Aug. 7 address at the 2018 Knights of Columbus convention in Baltimore, Maryland.

Anderson also unveiled a new pilgrim icon, "Our Lady Help of Persecuted Christians," created for the Knights by Italian artist Fabrizio Diomed. The icon will travel from parish-to-parish across the country to raise awareness, show solidarity, and inspire support for persecuted Christians.

In his opening remarks at the convention, taking place August 7-9, Anderson said that he hopes that this "pilgrim icon program" will "focus the eyes of our Church on the sacrifice of so many of our brothers and sisters in Christ."

Anderson's remarks highlighted the pivotal role that the Knights of Columbus have played in supporting Christians in the Middle East, where they have committed more than \$20 million since 2014 to provide "food, shelter, and clothing to our neighbors who lost everything in Iraq and Syria because they refused to give up their love of Christ."

"It is clear that without the support of the Knights of Columbus, Christianity might have died in Iraq," said Archbishop Bashar Warda of Erbil, Iraq, in a video shown during Anderson's speech. The Chaldean archbishop's community was driven from their historic home in the Nineveh Plains by repeated attacks from the Islamic State starting in 2014." Reprinted from CNA- Courtney Grogan

Thank you in advance for your efforts in this prayer initiative for our brothers and sisters throughout the world.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to help you implement this powerful program of prayer and intercession. God Bless.

Kevin Blau
Marion Prayer Program Coordinator

Our Lady of Persecuted Christian Schedule

January 29, 2019 through March 4, 2019
District 65 District 2 District 90

March 5, 2019 through April 8, 2019
District 71 District 6 District 85

April 9, 2019 through May 6, 2019
District 64 District 3 District 86

May 7, 2019 through June 3, 2019
District 63 District 28 District 80

June 4, 2019 through July 8, 2019
District 70 District 27 District 91

July 9, 2019 through August 5, 2019
District 69 District 20 District 83

August 6, 2019 through September 2, 2019
District 68 District 44 District 87

September 3, 2019 through September 30, 2019
District 67 District 5 District 89

October 1, 2019 through October 28, 2019
District 72 District 10 District 88

October 29, 2019 through November 25, 2019
District 49 District 14 District 81

November 26, 2019 through December 23, 2019
District 50 District 9 District 21

Knights in Action

Awaken Your Catholic Faith at the Men's Catholic Retreat in Marshfield



Degrees

2nd and 3rd Degrees

Saturday, March 9
St. John Vianney Parish-
Marian Hall
1238 E. Racine St.
Janesville, WI 53545
2nd Degree 11:00 AM
3rd Degree to follow
DD 49 Paul Romanelli
(608) 289-1643

Saturday, March 16
KC Club House
795 Fond du Lac Ave
Fond du Lac, WI 54935
2nd Degree at 10:00
3rd Degree to follow
DD 61 Francis Goettl
(920) 287-1339

Sunday, March 17
Holy Rosary Church
104 E. Harriet St
Darlington, WI 53530
2nd Degree at 11:30
3rd Degree to follow
DD 40 Joseph Loy
(608) 822 5991

Thursday, March 21
St. Louis Parish Hall
N8726 Town Line Road
Dyckesville, WI 54217
2nd Degree at 6:30 PM
3rd Degree to follow
Steven Caelwaerts
(920) 536-3335

Saturday, March 23
KC Hall
202 E. Juneau St
Tomah, WI 54660
2nd Degree at 10:00
3rd Degree to follow
DD 23 Dennis Koranda
(608) 372 5257

Saturday, March 30, 2019
Most Precious Blood Catholic
Church
712 S. Pearl St.
New London, WI 54961
2nd Degree at 9:00 AM
3rd Degree at 10:00 AM
DD 5 Luke Rasmussen
(920) 460 9279

Monday, April 22, 2019
St. Mary's School Gym
155 W. 5th St
Richland Center, WI 53581
2nd Degree at 6:30
3rd Degree to follow
DD 26 Ryan Cairns
(608) 475-4704

4th Degree

Saturday, April 6
Eastern
Red Lion Hotel-Paper Valley
333 West College Ave
Appleton, WI 54911
Registration begins at 11:30 AM

Saturday, May 18
Western
St. Mary's School Gym
155 W. 5th St
Richland Center, WI 53581
Degree begins at 1:30 PM

Has your District
scheduled a
2nd and 3rd Degree in
2018-19?

Have you asked your
members what day
would be best?

Sunday afternoon?

Tuesday night?

Wednesday night
while their kids are at
religion class?

Saturday morning?

We ask men to join,
shouldn't they hear the
lessons?



Knights of Columbus

Fourth Degree

Marquette Province

Eastern Wisconsin District

Exemplification



Saturday, April 6, 2018

Red Lion Paper Valley Hotel
333 West College Avenue
Appleton, WI 54911

Registration:

Candidate - \$70.00
Priest - \$35.00
Ladies Luncheon -\$20.00

Exemplification Honoree:

Sir Knight Michael G. Jordan

Wisconsin State Ceremonials, Member of the Exemplification Team, Past Eastern District Marshall, Member of Our Lady of Lourdes Assembly # 1210, Oshkosh

Schedule

- 10:00 AM- 11:30 AM - Grand Ballroom -Salon A & B - Exemplification Practice – Degree Team and Color Guard
- 11:30 AM – 12:00PM - Hallway Outside of Grand Ballroom – Room F - Candidate Registration
- 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM - Redwood Room -Men’s Lunch (Degree Staff, Color Guard, Candidates
(There is a \$5.00 Charge for Non- Candidates)
- 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM - Rosewood/ Linden - Dressing Room – Honor Guard
- Briarwood / Ebony - Dressing Room - Candidates
- 12:00 PM - Lawrence Room - Ladies Luncheon and Ladies Program
- 12:15 PM - Lawrence Room - Vice Supreme Master, Master and Friar Welcome Ladies
- 12:30 PM - Briarwood / Ebony Room - Master Meets with Candidates
- 12:45 PM -Grand Ballroom - Hallway - Honor Guard Inspection
- 1:00 PM - Grand Ballroom – Salon A & B– Exemplification
- 3:00 PM - Briarwood / Ebony Room - Dressing Room for Clergy
- 4:00 PM - Grand Ballroom – Salon A & B - Holy Sacrament of the Mass
- 5:00 PM -Poolside Foyer - Social –(Cash Bar)
- 6:00 PM - Grand Ballroom – Salon A & B Banquet
- 7:30 PM -Drawing of the Eastern Wisconsin District Raffle and 50/50 Raffle Tickets

Friday and Saturday Night Hospitality Room – Redwood Room

-Open After Friday Night Leadership Meeting and After Saturday Night Banquet

Exemplification Dress- Men : Black, or dark (Blue or Grey) Business Suit with black sock, black shoes, tie, or if preferred a Black tux with black bow tie, black cummerbund (NO VEST), black footwear, or Fourth Degree Uniform.

Membership

RACING TO CONVENTION!!

HERE WE GO WISCONSIN!!

HERE WE GO!!

We are having a lot of fun with this membership thing. A lot of councils are in the game; more than half – last I looked that’s a majority! Come join in.

OK, before I get to the numbers, a couple of things have come up.

- 1) Councils are focused on recruiting younger members.
- 2) Councils are focused on inviting our Hispanic Brothers in Christ to join us.

So, what is working? And can you do it?

RECRUITING YOUNGER MEMBERS:

- A) Using the “You Were Born a Man, You Become a Knight” cards is working. They are item 10536 at Supplies Online.

How do we use them?

Keep a few in your pocket. When you see a younger man at Mass or at an event, ask him if he is getting any of the great Catholic messaging from the KofC. Chances are good he is not. Tell him you don’t want him to miss out. For example, has he heard about the 1000 families in Karamles on the Nineveh plain (yes the Jonah/Biblical Nineveh plain) that get to go home because of some of the men he knows in his home parish? “Tell you what,

just go to this site” (show him the site printed on the card) and tell him he doesn’t have to join, just register and he will get the great Catholic messaging. Some will sign up online, and some will need to get a few messages before they sign up. ALL who register will be better for it, whether they join or not.

Love your neighbor – share the site!

SECRET WEAPON: Register your own email address. Check out the great Catholic messaging. Share them whenever you are inspired to do so. I personally guarantee you will make a positive difference in multiple lives. People will be deeply touched in ways you would never have expected. Trust me; I speak from personal experience.

- B) Landing Page!

OK, the “You Were Born a Man, You Become a Knight” card is new, and is working great. Even newer is having a “Landing Page” for your next church drive or other membership event. It, too is working great!!

What is a landing page? Simple. It is a place to collect a list of prospective members. It looks like this:



First Name: *

Last Name: *

Email Address: *

Phone Number:

City:

State: * WI

At our last event, we promoted registering by featuring a drawing for a gun-metal Combat Rosary. One of the registrants would get the rosary. We made it clear that all would get some great, Catholic messaging to help them on their faith journey.

For more information: <https://www.kofc.org/un/en/forms/deputy/10810-a-10-18.pdf>

C) Honor Cords for High School Graduates

What is this? Ask your District Deputy, and go here: <http://kofcknights.org/StateCouncilSite/StateCouncilForms.asp?CN=US&ST=WI>

And find, just before “DISTRICT DEPUTIES” find “High School Recruitment Initiative”.

But what if my High School won’t participate?

One Knight from a state which will remain un-named (they are ahead of us!) said his parish priest always recognizes every graduating class at a Mass. Oh my gosh, they offer the honor cord recognition at Mass!

What ideas do you have? Is something working for you? Send your ideas to rfaust@wikofc.com.

INVITING OUR HISPANIC BROTHERS IN CHRIST TO JOIN US:

OK, this one is simple. If you are like me and don't speak Spanish, just show up at the Spanish Mass and hand out prayer cards in Spanish and English. Ask permission from Father first! Someone will speak English to you. You may need to show up several weeks in a row to break the ice.

Once you break the ice, start inviting. At first, not to the Order, but to your events. Include them in everything you do in the parish, especially family and youth events, and pilgrimages and retreats. Be prepared to be invited to their events!

Treat them to a meal after one of their Masses. And invite them to treat back after an English Mass. It will be fun for everyone! FYI – the red hot sauce is hotter than the green!

What else can you think of? Do you think Father will appreciate what is happening with his parish community?

“May they all be one, just as, Father, you are in me and I am in you, so that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me.” John 17:21

OK, I didn't get to the numbers. You can catch up to all the great happenings on FlockNote and the numbers there are much more up-to-date.

What? You don't get FlockNote messages? Just text the word Brother to 84576, then click the link that is returned. It's that simple! Don't miss out. Of course, the first group you will want to join is our Membership Group!

Or, if you need more details, go here: <http://kofcknights.org/StateCouncilSite/article.asp?ID=88>

Respectfully Submitted,

Ron Faust



Knights in Action



Council 7106 at Holy Assumption held their fabulous Garbage Omelet breakfast on February 10.



Pasta Extravaganza is wonderful event put on by Superior 16991 to see who can make the best pasta sauce.



Convention Memorial Mass

At the State Convention, we will once again be holding a Memorial Mass. At this mass, we will be remembering members “That dies during the period of March 1st 2018 to February 28th 2019.

A form was provided in your Convention Packet for submitting these names. Due to publication deadlines for the Convention Book, the deadline for submitting names is March 15, 2019.

Please get your names submitted so that we can remember our brothers.

John Huttenhoff

State Advocate Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus

Safe Environment – Protecting our Children

Last July the Knights of Columbus launched a new set of Safe Environment requirements.

The Grand Knight, Program Director, Family Director, and Community Director of every Council needs to complete Safe Environment Training.

The Family Director and Community Director of every Council need to authorize a Background Check.

Any event hosted by the Knights of Columbus must be led by 2 individuals that have completed Safe Environment Training, at least one of which has to have completed a background check.

When hosting events in Parish or Diocesan facilities, we must meet both Knights of Columbus and Diocesan requirements for Safe Environment Training and Background Checks.

Councils must be Compliant no later than May 1, 2019 to be eligible for any Supreme Council Awards. Please make sure that your Council is Compliant.

Nunc Coepi!

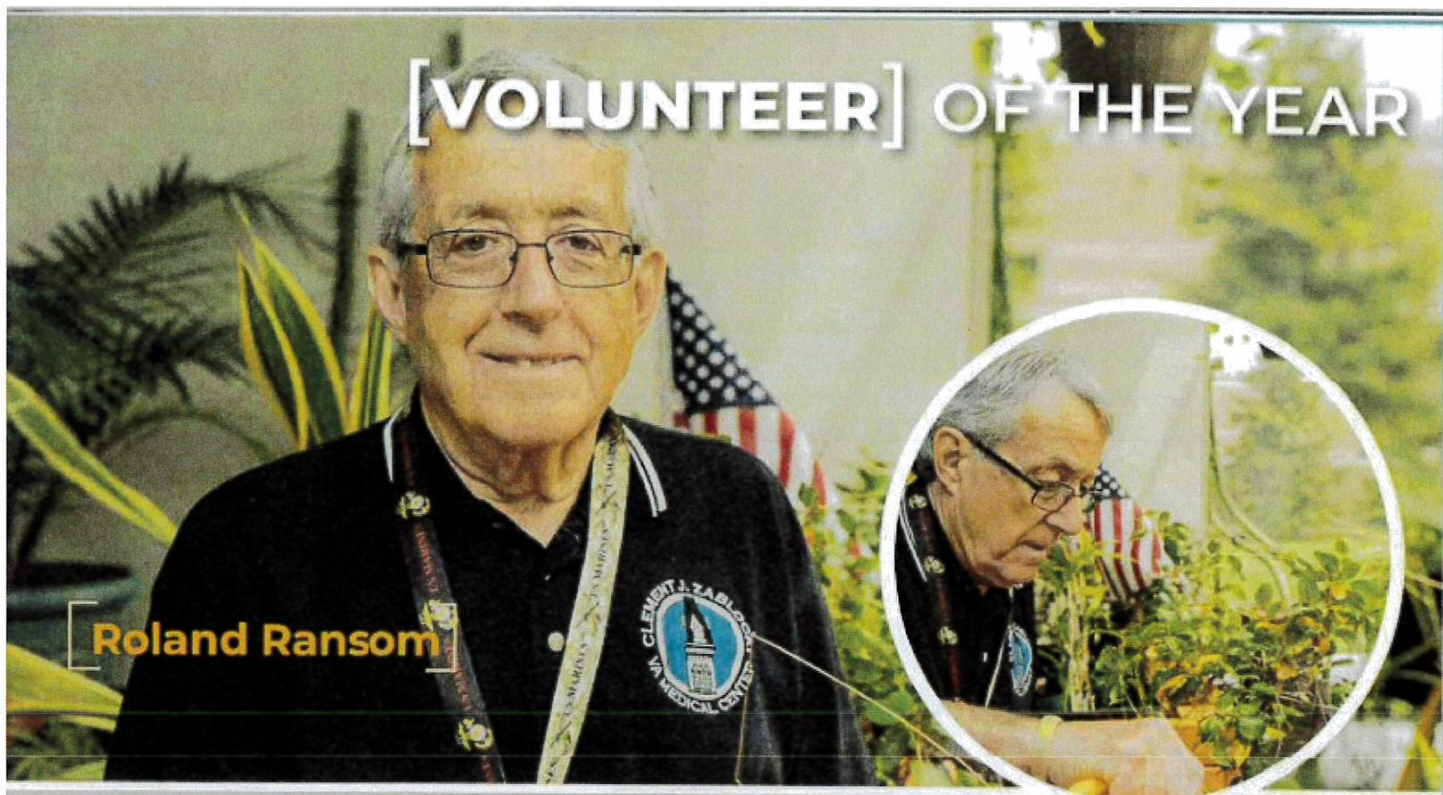
Vivat Jesus!

Viva Christo Rey!

John Huttenhoff

State Advocate Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus

[VOLUNTEER] OF THE YEAR



Roland Ransom

Roland Ransom doesn't do it for the awards. But his commitment to helping those who served is readily acknowledged by others.

Ransom, a volunteer at the Milwaukee VA Medical Center, as well as numerous other community projects for Veterans, was one of two in the nation named the national 2017 Volunteer of the Year for the Department of Veterans Affairs.

"I don't do it for the awards or the honors or anything," Ransom said. "One, I love to do it, and second, I get my family involved with it. And third, it always feels rewarding to be able to help somebody — in a personal way, not rewarded with a medal or trophy."

The 71-year-old Vietnam Veteran, who joined the Marine Corps right out of high school, has volunteered for more than six years at the Milwaukee VA. He has logged more than 500 hours of service.

"This award could not have gone to a more deserving or dedicated volunteer," said Carrie Lodi, Community Engagement manager. "His willingness to use and share his gifts and abilities has strengthened our mission and the care to our Veterans."

He was presented the award by Jim McLain, deputy medical center director, at the local Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon in May.

In addition to VA, Ransom also has been involved with the Honor Flight since its inception, including fundraising, and arranging for a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard as each group returns to the Milwaukee airport.

"We started with eight guys and I have an email list of over 70 people now," Ransom said of the Honor Flights. "We've been averaging somewhere around 30 Honor Guard members, every Honor Flight, for the past three years."

On Memorial Day and Fourth of July, Ransom, his granddaughter, and other volunteers place flags on Veteran graves at the Union Grove Cemetery.

He advocates for the Fisher House at public and Knights of Columbus events, helps with USO fundraising events, and works with getting patients and others to events at the American Legion post in Mukwonago.

His efforts on behalf of Veterans and related causes is just the latest in a lifetime of volunteering for Ransom, who retired from Rexnord in Milwaukee after almost 40 years.

"Before this, I had more than 20 years as a volunteer CPR instructor," he said. "I taught adult, infant and child CPR, and community first aid. A lot of it was at schools and work places."

The Milwaukee VA thanks Roland, and all our volunteers who work tirelessly to serve and honor our Veterans!



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August 10th, 2019

Knights of Columbus

Night at the Duck Pond

Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Run

We just received the 2019 Silver Rose schedule from Supreme. The schedule for Route 3 is :

Manitoba	4 Mar	1 Apr
North Dakota	2 Apr	1 May
Minnesota	2 May	20 May
South Dakota	21 May	21 Jun
Iowa	22 Jun	21 Jul
Wisconsin	22 Jul	12 Aug
Illinois	13 Aug	9 Sep
Missouri	10 Sep	7 Oct
Arkansas	8 Oct	7 Nov
Texas	8 Nov	1 Dec
Mexico	2 Dec	12 Dec



We have the Rose for three weeks, one less than the previous couple years. Our start and ending days are Monday rather than Sunday (22 days). We receive the Rose from Iowa and transfers it to Illinois. A route is laid out, again looking at coverage of the State, minimizing travel distances and the councils volunteering.



The map shows the approximate location of councils or districts (X) that have volunteered to host the Rose, about 2/3s of the volunteers necessary to cover the 22 days. We also have large areas of the State that do not have volunteers. We would like to finalize a route as soon as possible. If you are in one of the "void" areas, please consider and let me know.

We do have a Wisconsin guide for having the Silver Rose. It is not a major task, but it is an important task to bring people back to Mary. The State website also has information.

Volunteer!! To Jesus thru Mary,
 John Sustar, State Coordinator, 608 847-1140,
jsustar@hughes.net

Knights in Action



New Holstein Knights of Columbus Council #12393 members Romy Krupp, Paul Meyers, Dave Burg, John Klinzing and Fred Weber are pictured along with the 2019 KofC Free Throw Contest 8 to 11 year old winners from New Holstein Elementary School.

245 Boys and Girls ages 8 through 14 participated in the Contest.

Certificates and Medals were presented on February 1st to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Winners. 1st Place winners competed in the KofC District 11 competition held on Saturday morning, February 9th at Holy Rosary Gymnasium. Program chairman Dave Burg thanked all those who participated and encouraged all boys and girls 8-14 to compete again next year.



New Holstein Knights of Columbus Council #12393 conducted the District 11 Free Throw contest. Pictured are the Girls and Boys 1st place finishers who compete at the Green Bay Diocese competition in DePere along with the KofC Council #12393 members.



Wisconsin State Council

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INVITATION TO BID ON HOSTING THE
2021 STATE BOWLING TOURNAMENT

December 27, 2018

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Worthy Grand Knight:

Article V - Section 1 of the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus State Bowling Committee, Structure and Guidelines, states that any subordinate Council may present a bid for a future bowling tournament. Said notice must be in writing, signed by the Grand Knight of the Council and forwarded to the Secretary of the State Bowling Committee prior to May 1.

Each Council shall have the privilege of appearing before the Committee to present its claim as to the advantages of its respective Council for holding such a tournament and shall be heard alphabetically according to cities. "Only literature from bidding Council or Chamber of Commerce material shall be brought to the meeting. No other gifts or gratuities will be allowed distribution at any time.

The Committee shall at the Spring Meeting to be held on May 4, 2019 at Howard Council #6279 Club House, Town Line Pub & Grill, 2544 Lineville Rd,

Green Bay, WI, 54313, decide by a majority vote where the 2021 Annual Tournament shall be held. Bidding will begin about 12:30 pm following lunch. The State Committee Meeting will start at 9am, and break for lunch about 11:30 am. Please plan to be there by 9am or arrive at lunch time.

If after making application you find that you cannot host the event for any reason you must contact the State Bowling Committee Secretary prior to the spring meeting.

William A. Plante Bowling

Committee Secretary/Treasurer

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO BIDDING FOR THE WISCONSIN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOWLING TOURNAMENT

*A minimum of 16 bowling lanes available in one or two bowling centers. But it is recommended that 24 to 30 or more lanes makes running the Tournament easier.

You will need to have all facilities available for 8-10 weekends.

Dates should run from early February through April.

Note: Bowling shall run continuous weeks except during the EASTER Triduum. Accommodations must be available nearby that match the number of bowlers and guests each weekend. Councils may team up with another council for joint bids the number of volunteers needed to have a successful tournament is substantial. Your clubrooms should be available Friday, Saturday and Sunday each weekend of the tournament. There is no bowling scheduled to begin later than 3:00 p.m.

Automation Update

Hello everyone! I am your new email bot and I am looking forward to serving you by the time this newsletter is published on the state website.



Whenever you send a family of the month form to Supreme at fraternalmisson@kofc.org, their email bot sends you back an email letting you know they got it.

I want to do the same for you for the forms@wikofc.com email address. Now, the Supreme email bot was bragging how he could send a reply email within 60 seconds. **Bah! That is almost embarrassing!** I've been practicing and I am under two seconds from the time I receive your email! Unfortunately, the email system is not perfect and there are things between you and me that introduce delays, but **I promise** to do my very best to serve you.

What else will I be able to do besides simply letting you know I received your email?

The crazy Family Coordinator wants me to

- Make it easy to get the shiny new Supreme FOM form to you
- Check to see if the FOM form you submitted was sent to Supreme and if not, send it to them for you
- Read the data off the FOM form and fill out a FOM certificate and send it back to you

Hopefully I can get that all done for you in March.

Who knows what else the Family Coordinator has planned? If you want to find out, please join my new Flock Note group called **Automation**. As I gain new skills and responsibilities, they will be documented on the **Automation** group. If you have any awesome ideas on how I can save you time, please make suggestions on this group and I would **love to try my best to serve you**.

My goal is to save our Worthy state officers, district deputies and all of your time so you can spend more time with those that matter the most, **your families!**

Your humble Email Bot

January Diocesan Families of the Month

Brother Knights!

It is an **honor** for me to present to you our January Diocesan Families of the Month!

Green Bay Diocese – Mark and Gloria Koth, Council 12269, District 15

Mark and Gloria Koth are both very active members of St. Bernadette parish in Appleton WI. Gloria has completed the Emmaus Lay ministry program in Green Bay which has allowed her to be able to lead various lay ministry programs. Gloria is an extraordinary minister of holy Communion at church and to the homebound. She leads and coordinates the first Friday program which involves visits to the homebound and people in nursing homes. She spends time with them, prays with them and brings them Communion. She leads the health care ministry program which provides monthly blood pressure readings for parishioners and periodic healthcare newsletters. She also is a member of the Evangelization leadership team at St. Bernadette, leading various Alpha groups and other programs. Gloria started a Grief Gathering program at St. Bernadette in collaboration with St. Therese and St. Bernard parishes in Appleton, where they provide grief support for anyone in the Fox Valley. Mark serves as an extraordinary minister of holy Communion at church, as well as an usher. He is a member of the Building & Grounds committee and is also a money counter for the parish. He volunteers at Habitat for Humanity Restore and is an active member of the Knights of Columbus.

La Crosse Diocese – Roger and Linda Mattson, Council 10914, District 25

Linda participates in the Ladies at Prayer Group and drives to the Onalaska Care Center to pick up ladies so that they can join them in prayer. Rodger is a fourth degree Knight who is a caring and dependable volunteer for many initiatives including Life Savers For Life and the Right to Life Rose sale. He volunteers for Punt, Pass, and Kick, the kid's free throw contest, Tootsie Roll sale for disabled children, and the Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast. He is a meeting warden for monthly KC meetings. Rodger assists with our Sunday morning communion ministry and helps lead the prayer of the rosary on Sundays. Both he and Linda volunteer for the Lenten fish fries and are both members of the Fish Fry Committee where Rodger is responsible for purchasing materials and food. He also assists in the fish fry set up and clean up. In the community he supports the Rotary Lights by helping the set up and dismantle the lights. Both Rodger and Linda man corners and aid in directions for the St. Pat's School 1 and 5 K run walk event.

Madison Diocese – Aaron and Jennifer Teche, Council 12491, District 42

The Teche family is a faithful family. They attend Church together every week. They are involved with the ministries of the mass. They have respect and love for each other. The children listen to and learn from their parents. Aaron and Jenny see that their children have good opportunities to gain the knowledge of their faith and to grow in a loving relationship with God and the Church.

The entire family is involved in the liturgy. All of the children have been members of the children's choir. Aaron, Justin, Anthony, and Lucian are Altar Servers. Aaron and Anthony are Lectors and Justin has served as a Lector in the past. Aaron, Justin and Anthony are Sacristans. Justin sings with the fill-in adult choir. Jenny serves as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. The whole family bring up gifts throughout the year. Aaron and Jenny have been involved with St Ann's Christian Experience Weekend, a Men's or Women's retreat, both as participants and team members for a number of years. They were also baptismal preparation leaders together. Aaron and Jenny attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter together in 2010 to grow their marriage together. They are members of the Madison area Worldwide Marriage Encounter community and have served a prayer partners for couples attending retreats. Jenny has been a leader for St Ann's Vacation Bible School and Justin and Anthony have been youth helpers. Jenny has served on the St Ann's Fall Festival Committee for a number of years and both Aaron and Jenny have served as volunteers in varying capacities for this event for a number of years. Aaron and Justin have been performers for of St Ann's Living Last Supper, Jenny, Anthony, Lucian, and Marcus have assisted and participated as well.

Aaron, Justin, and Anthony serve together for the televised mass for the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities on WISC-TV. Aaron serves as a Lector/Commentator and Justin and Anthony serve as Acolytes. Aaron is a member of St Ann's Vocation Commission and is a former member of St Ann's Thursday morning Men's study group. The Teche Family has been heavily involved in Boy Scouting since 2009. Aaron has served as a Den Leader, Cubmaster, Committee Chair, and District Committee Member. He currently served as the Chartered Organization Representative for St Ann's Pack 162, an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 164, and the Training Chair for Glacier's Edge Council. He has also been on the staff for many Scouting Activities. Jenny has served as the Pack Advancement Chair and currently serves as a Committee Member for Troop 164. She has assisted with and led many Scouting activities. Justin, Anthony, Lucian, and Marcus are all youth members of the Boy Scouts of America. Justin

is a Star Scout, Anthony is a Life Scout, Lucian is a new Boy Scout, and Marcus is a Wolf Cub Scout. Aaron, Justin, and Anthony are members of the Order of the Arrow. Justin has served as the Chapter Chief, the Chapter Vice-Chief for Ceremonies, and currently serves in the order of the Arrow as the Lodge Vice-Chief of Ceremonies. Justin is a member of the Camp Indian Trails summer camp staff.

Aaron has also been involved in Scouting through the Church, as a member of the Diocese of Madison Catholic Committee on Scouting (DMCCS). He has served as the Training Chair and the Membership Chair of the DMCCS. He is currently serving as the Chairman for Boy Scouting for the DMCCS. He also served as a Boy Scout Religious Emblems Coordinator, Counselor, and Moderator and has helped many Cub Scouting and a few Boy Scouts earn the religious emblems for their faith.

Aaron is a 3rd degree member of St Ann's Council 12491, and has been a member of the Knight of Columbus since 2008. He has served as Inside and Outside Guard and as the Council Program Director. He currently serves as the Chancellor for Council 12491, as a District Deputy for Wisconsin District 42. He is a member of the honor guard of Assembly 1200.

Jenny and Aaron have assisted with religious education. Jenny and Aaron have been Theology of the Body small group leaders and substitute catechists.

Jenny delivers Baby Care Packages for mothers-in-need through the Pregnancy Helpline of Madison. She used to answer crisis calls for the Pregnancy Helpline of Madison, providing support, resources, and referrals to pregnant women.

Jenny has served the Mother of Pre-schoolers (MOPS) women's group at St Ann. She's been a member of the creative and outreach teams as well as a past MOPS coordinator.

Jenny was an RCIA sponsor in 2018 and Aaron was a confirmation sponsor in 2018. Jenny sews the first Holy Eucharist banners for St Ann and sews baptismal gowns.

Through MOPS and the CEW prayer community, Jenny prepares and delivers meals for those in need.

Anthony has been a youth missionary for the Diocese of Madison Love Being Here mission in 2017 and 2018.

Milwaukee Diocese – Douglas and Amy Miller, Council 12588, District 60

The Millers have been members of our council for sixteen years and have participated in many activities: Tootsie Roll Sale, Pro-life and Seminary events. Doug participates monthly in Holy Hill's Elijah Men's group. He helps with setting up/taking down for Nazareth Day, John Bosco Youth Day, and Holy Hill Arts and Craft Fair. Doug and his son John attend a yearly Catholic Father/Son camp in the summer and the Men in Christ conference. Amy works full time homeschooling four different grades. Besides, she and the kids go to Mass every Tuesday at Holy Hill and additional weekdays for special feast days. During Lent and Advent our family meet nightly to read Scripture, do Jesse

Tree, and play Divinity game, Catechism of the Good Shepherd. At St Peter, Amy and kids attend Thursday Morning mass were John serves and Amy Lectors and Eucharistic ministry once a month. Amy also is very involved with the Blue Knights and Little Flowers youth groups for boys and girls. John is altar server at Holy Hill and St Peter where he helps with training new servers. When our council had the Squires John was an officer. He is a sacristan at Holy Hill and is asked to serve when Archbishop/Bishops come for special events. He plays violin and is second Chair for Schauer Youth Symphony Orchestra in Hartford and has earned 5 Superior ratings in the Moraine Music Festival. Their daughters are just as busy with piano and organ lessons, singing and other church related activities. Oh did I forget the children are active in many sports activities which keeps this holy family going. Whenever I see this family in church or at Knights events I know why we nominated them as Family of Month. They pray and do so much for our Churches. Submitted by Ron Awe

Superior Diocese – Jeff and Joan Kahl, Council 2137, District 83

Jeff and Joan are very active members of St. Joseph's Parish and Council #2137 in Rice Lake. Jeff serves as an usher and assists with many other church needs. Both Jeff and Joan serve as Holy Adoration adorers and host hospitality following Sunday Masses at St. Joseph's Church. Jeff volunteers for the Annual I.D. Tootsie Roll Drive, the St. Joseph's Catholic School Christmas Tree Sales, Pancake Breakfasts, and is a main worker with the Annual Wooden Toys for Christmas Project. Jeff and Joan regularly attend Council functions such as prayer services, rosaries, and events like the Annual Christmas & Appreciation Socials.

A Call to Action

Brothers, **it is critical** that we identify the outstanding families that are in your parishes and honor them as being your council's family of the month. By doing so, we are thanking them for all they have done and encourage them to continue being a great Catholic family. Their example provides inspiration to the other families in our parishes. **But more importantly**, they are teaching our children how to be a great Catholic family so that one day, they too can pass this example down to the next generation.

Thank you, gentlemen, for honoring the families in your parishes. You are raising their candles up for all to see!

Vivat Jesus!

SK Joe Uchytel
State Family Coordinator



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KCIC/HE IS RISEN - 2019 Magnet program

Worthy State Officers
And Brother Knights of Wisconsin



Dear Brother Knights

Due to our KC supplier terminating their program, we will also be terminating ours this spring or fall of 2019. We have He Is Risen magnets for this Easter season and some KCIC magnets left. We will need to discuss this with our supplier and see if we can order more for this fall. We will update on what happens.

This year we donated \$1,250.00 for gas cards and \$500 for a RSVP award. **All profits are used for this!**

A big thank-you to the State team for supporting this program, as to all of the councils that have purchased the magnets over the past fifteen years.

“Keep Christ in Christmas” magnets products have two important purposes.

We appreciate all your efforts and support of this program. We have reduced our pricing on an order of 100, 50 and 25, to help organizations and customers that need smaller quantities. **Our best value is a case of 200 for \$300.00 plus \$25.00 shipping**, and we can split a case of KCIC magnets or (“He Is Risen”). Selling a case of 200 for \$5.00 each would net your organization \$690.00, 2 cases would be \$1380.00. Cost for fewer than 100 is \$2.00 a piece plus shipping, contact me for shipping price!

Send check written out to, **KC COUNCIL 1547. Mail to: Rob Kurczek N8359 CTY RD A, Berlin WI. 54923** with the number ordered and of what pieces are desired .Please add a contact phone number and address to send out your items.

You can contact me at robkofc@centurytel.net or at www.kcnativitysets.com for more information.

We ask your help by sharing our message with other organizations, youth groups, friends or associates that might be interested with the program. We appreciate any assistance that you can give us.

If you have further questions, you can call our chairman **Rob Kurczek at 920-290-2270**. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you very much for helping us with **“Keep Christ in Christmas.” and “He is Risen”**
Vivat Jesus!

Robert Kurczek
KCIC Chairman
PDD 44/ PDGK Council 1547
Berlin, WI. 54923

From: Office of the Supreme Advocate

Date: February 19, 2019

Re: Resolutions Presented at State and Supreme Council Meetings

To: Supreme Officers and Directors, State Deputies, State Secretaries, State Advocates, District Deputies and Grand Knights

The Laws of the Knights of Columbus permit State Councils to submit to the Supreme Council resolutions that pertain to issues affecting the entire Order. It is expected that all such resolutions will be submitted in good faith and in a spirit of charity, unity, and fraternity. As you prepare for your conventions, please bear in mind the principles and procedures set forth below.

The Supreme Council resolutions process was established to enable subordinate councils to:

Express gratitude or support for a person, a fraternal program, or a policy of the Order;

Amend the Constitution or Laws of the Order;

Express an official position of the Knights of Columbus on matters relevant to the mission and identity of the Order; and

Offer proposals to enhance the Order's fraternal mission.

State Councils should not submit resolutions that: (1) concern monetary expenditures by the Supreme Council, such as financial grants to organizations; (2) deal exclusively with matters of local significance that are relevant only to that particular jurisdiction; (3) endorse, recognize, commend, or criticize other organizations; or (4) have been repeatedly rejected by delegates to the Supreme Council in recent years.

Resolutions that do not conform to these expectations and purposes may be deemed out of order, in which case they would not be published to the Supreme Convention, and would not be considered by the delegates.

Under the Order's procedures, delegates to the Supreme Council may consider only those resolutions that have been officially adopted by a State Council or submitted to the Supreme Council by the Board of Directors. Resolutions that have not been adopted by the State Council should not be submitted to the Supreme Council. A State Council must affirmatively adopt a resolution in order for the Supreme Council to consider it. "Adoption" of a resolution by a State Council means that the program, policy, or sentiment expressed in the resolution has the support of the delegates to the State Council meeting. By adopting a resolution and submitting it to the Supreme Council, the State Council is effectively stating that it supports the resolution and recommends adoption by the Supreme Council.

A State Council may also use the resolutions process to amend its own by-laws. Upon adoption of a resolution proposing any changes to its by-laws, the State Council shall submit the proposed amendments to the Supreme Secretary, who will forward them to the Supreme Advocate for a preliminary review. The Supreme Advocate will then refer the amendments to the Board of Directors. The Board will consider and vote upon these amendments at its meeting in August.

Pursuant to Section 22 of the Laws of the Knights of Columbus, resolutions adopted by a State Council for consideration by the Supreme Council or the Board of Directors, including proposed amendments to State Council by-laws, must be submitted to the Office of the Supreme Secretary no later than June 15. Please submit these resolutions by email using the following email address: supremesecretary@kofc.org.

Resolutions received by the Supreme Secretary will be acknowledged in writing and sent to the Office of the Supreme Advocate for purposes of inventory and preliminary review. Once the resolutions are categorized, organized, and published in a booklet, they will be referred to the Committee on Laws and Resolutions. Any resolutions received after June 15 will not be published to the Supreme Convention and will not be considered by the delegates.

Please follow the guidance set forth above. As leaders of your jurisdiction or local council, you should be familiar with the procedure for drafting, reviewing, submitting, and adopting resolutions. For a detailed explanation of the resolutions process and amending state council by-laws, please review the relevant sections of the Officers' Desk Reference, which are found under the "Council and Assembly Issues" tab.

WISCONSIN OUTSTANDING COUNCIL AWARD FORM 2018-19

Council Name/Number _____

Date _____

Grand Knight _____

Financial Secretary _____

District Deputy _____

District _____

*Please fill out and submit to State Forms address no later than **June 30, 2019!**

I. ADMINISTRATIVE (all required)

- Form 185 _____ (date)
- Form 365 _____ (date)
- July Audit _____ (date)
- Fraternal Survey _____ (date)
- January Audit _____ (date)
- Special Olympics participation _____ (date)
- Columbian Award form _____ (date)
- Diocesan Meeting _____ (date)
- Summer District Meeting _____ (date)
- Winter District Meeting _____ (date)
- State Convention _____ (date)
- History Book with 10-year supplement
(print or electronic) _____ (date)

II. MEMBERSHIP (all required)

- Fr. McGivney Award (membership quota met)
- Founders Award (insurance quota met)
- Host Benefits Night _____ (date)
- Host 2 Admissions Degrees
_____, _____ (dates)
- Host 2 Church Drives
_____, _____ (dates)

III. CHURCH (at least 5 required)

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
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[eg. PKD, Memorial Mass, RSVP, Sentiments for Seminarians, Keep Christ in Christmas programs, Corporate Communion, Holy Hours, Marian Icon program, Into the Breach, Faith Formation programs (list and describe), BDC kiosk, Family Rosary program, Spiritual Reflection program, Sacramental Gifts program, *parish services and/or support programs, fundraisers, etc. (list and describe)]

IV. COMMUNITY (at least 5 required)

- _____
- _____
- _____
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- _____

[eg. ID program, State Charity Raffle, Coats for Kids, Habitat for Humanity, Global Wheelchairs, Knowledge Contest, Free Throw Contest, Soccer Challenge, PPK, Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest, Helping Hands (list and describe), Disaster Preparedness, Scout support, Veterans/aged/poor/health service/ecology outreach programs, *parish community outreach programs (list and describe)]

V. FAMILY (at least 5 required)

- _____
- _____
- _____
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[eg. Family of the Month/Year [min. 4 submitted to State &

Supreme], Recognition Night, Blood Drives, family picnics and recreational outings, aid to widows/orphans/disabled, Memorials, breakfasts/dinners and other meal programs, support for parents/grandparents/caregivers (list and describe), Consecration to the Holy Family, youth ministries, scholarships (list and describe), Knight of the Month/Year, Food for Families, Family Fully Alive, Keep Christ in Christmas (Posada, Poster Contests), Family Prayer Nights, Good Friday Family Promotion, *parish child care/family programs, *parish youth/school/CCD programs(list and describe)]

VI. CULTURE OF LIFE (at least 5 required)

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[eg. Special Olympics (Team Wisconsin), Ultrasound, Marches for Life, 40 Days for Life, Life Savers for Life/Baby Bottle Campaign, Baby Showers, Memorials to the Unborn, Pregnancy Center support, Culture of Life Essay Contest, promote State Culture of Life Fund, Christian Refugee Support, Silver Rose, Novena for Life, Mass for People with Special Needs, *parish pro-life programs (list and describe)]

Questions or Concerns, Contact:

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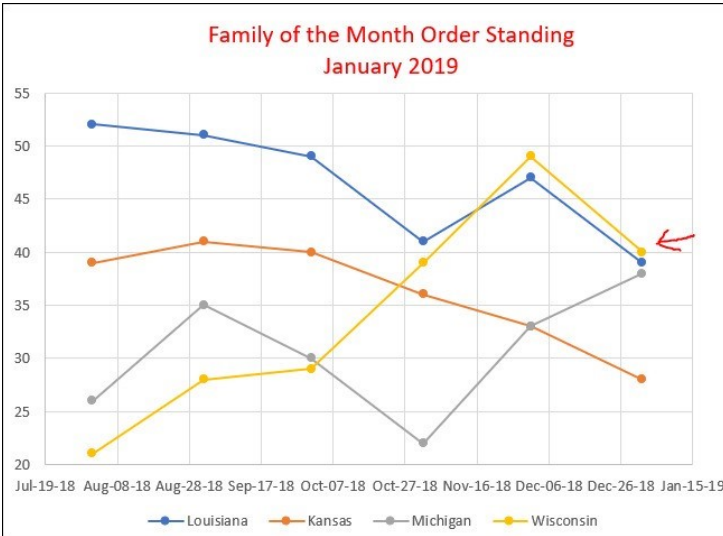


Faith In Action – Family of the Month

Hello Brother Knights!

Amazing! We're still #1 in the order this month!

This month, Supreme received 40 FOMs from Wisconsin with Louisiana and Michigan sending in 39 and 38 respectively. Wisconsin and Louisiana took a big dip this month and Michigan is rising quickly!



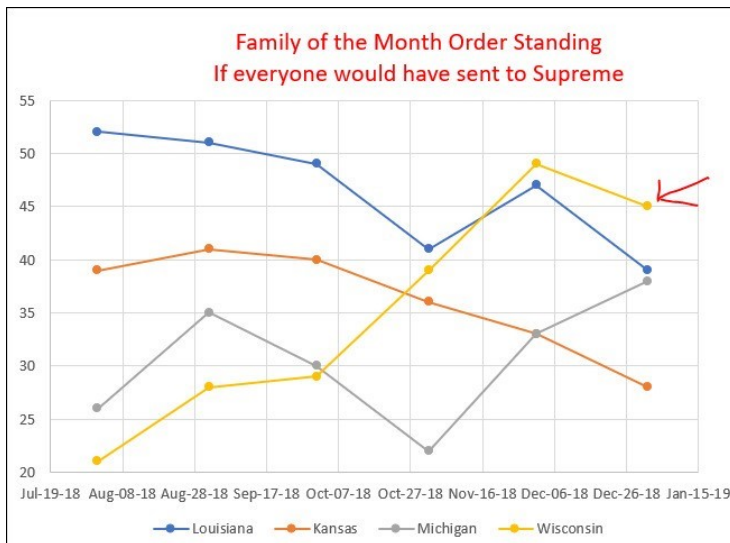
We had 40 councils send in their forms to State, and Supreme shows that 40 forms were sent to them.

Unfortunately, they were not the same forms.

5 FOMs were sent to Supreme and not sent to State. These families were not considered for the diocesan family of the month award.

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If all the FOMs were sent to Supreme, our stats would have looked like this!



With a bit of help from a new friend, this will hopefully be the last month where we have this problem.



That's me! Check out my own article in this newsletter called **Automation Update!**

Let's look at all the other FOM details for this month.

Diocesan Families of the Month

The January Diocesan families of the month are:

Diocese	Families Sub-	Winning Family	Council
Green Bay	10	Mark and Gloria Koth	12269 – St. Bernadette Council
La Crosse	8	Rodger and Linda Mattson	10914 – St. Patrick’s Council
Madison	13	Aaron and Jennifer Teche	12491 – St. Anne’s Council
Milwaukee	7	Douglas and Amy Miller	12588 – St. Peter Council
Superior	2	Jeff and Joan Kahl	2137 – Rev C.F. Schmitt Council
Total	40		

Please refer to **the January Diocesan Families of the Month** article to learn about these amazing families! The Grand Knight from each of these councils should have received the Diocesan Family of the Month awards by now.

Thank you, worthy brothers for submitting 40 awesome families!

Supreme Families of the Month

Supreme chose the following families as the Supreme Families of the Month. Supreme will be sending them a nice certificate and letter.

Jordon and Jenny McBride, Msgr. Beck - Father Olson Council 10363, Janesville, Madison Diocese

Welcome to the Family of the Month Program!

We had **three** new councils that submitted Family of the Months. Welcome to the program!

Council	Grand Knight	District Deputy	Diocese
Oconto Council 1475	Kenneth LeMere	2 – Chris Mosconi	Green Bay
Fr. John Eisen Council 1799	Gary Niziolek	30 – Paul Zdun	La Crosse
Fort Howard Council 5382	Bob Bowers	7 – Gary Janssen	Green Bay

Every council should be striving to submit **at least one** family of the month before the end of 2019, so they can choose them as the council Family of the Year. The family can then be considered for the Diocesan family of the year, State family of the Year and International Family of the Year.

District Deputies on Fire!

This month’s District Deputy leader is **Chris Mosconi** with 4 FOMs coming from his district #2. **Well done Chris!**

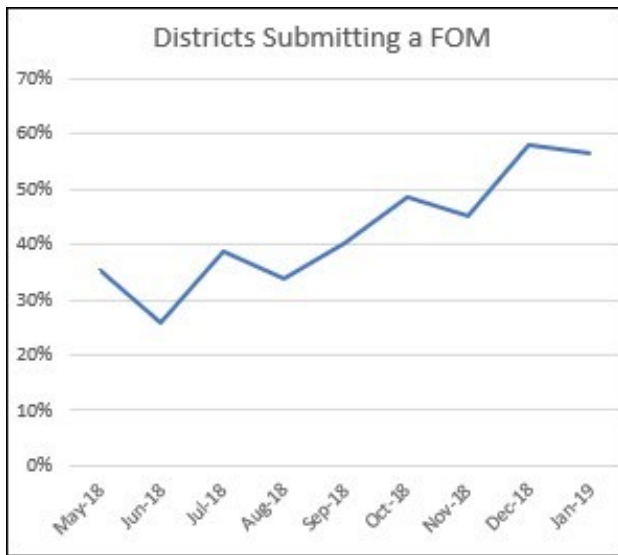
Here are the other amazing District Deputies that have more than one Family of the Month in their District.

Thank you, worthy District Deputies! Your leadership is greatly appreciated!

We are currently at 56.5% of districts submitting a FOM. We took a bit of a dip from last month where we had 58.1%.

FOMs	District Deputy	Diocese
4	2 - Chris Mosconi	Green Bay
2	13 - Daniel Grillo	Green Bay
2	21 - Paul Zimmerman	La Crosse
2	40 - Joseph Loy	Madison
2	45 - Erin Kennedy	Madison
2	46 - Paul Quigley	Madison
2	49 - Paul Romanelli	Madison
2	81 - Paul Krenik	Superior

Can we hit 60% next month?



With an average of 12 parishes per district, it is awesome we are finding at least one family in each district that is worthy of being honored as the family of the month!

Thank you, councils and district deputies, for finding those special families!

Lessons Learned

Today is February 22 and I will be interviewing my council's February Family of the Month tonight.

Lesson learned? Don't wait this long and get the interview done sooner. Now I am rushing to get everything done yet this month.

I am hoping to bring my bride to the meeting tonight to see how the family responds.

Meet our January Family of the Month

Below are all 40 families that were submitted last month

Diocese	Council	District	Family	Member
Green Bay	719	2	David and Kathy Denby	Yes
Green Bay	1475	2	John and Britney Patz	Yes
Green Bay	1957	12	Dan and Collette Tegen	Yes
Green Bay	2478	4	Paul and Patti Schmitt	Yes
Green Bay	4869	2	Randall and Alnilda Vann	Yes
Green Bay	5382	7	John and Kathy Andre	Yes
Green Bay	5514	10	Tom and Sandy Bozile	Yes
Green Bay	7895	5	Scott and Suzie Lamers	N
Green Bay	10243	2	Leaon Bernie and Lynn Terria	N
Green Bay	12269	15	Mark and Gloria Koth	Yes
La Crosse	1799	30	Jacob and Linda Dick	Yes
La Crosse	3249	24	Donald and Marion Simon	Yes
La Crosse	3492	26	Kaleb and Maggie Frawley	Yes
La Crosse	4125	23	Gary and Debbie Granger	Yes
La Crosse	5488	28	Bryan and Colleen Behnke	Yes
La Crosse	7342	21	Scott and Amy Hennich	Yes
La Crosse	10914	25	Rodger and Linda Mattson	Yes
La Crosse	13880	27	Jim and Carol Schelke	Yes
Madison	765	41	Peter and Betty Reinert	Yes
Madison	1386	40	Kent and Carolyn Scheuerell	N
Madison	1909	52	James and Priscilla Esser	Yes
Madison	3099	43	Bill and Marci Liegel	Yes
Madison	3924	45	Dennis and Cheryl Chamberlain	Yes
Madison	4392	46	Steve and Karen Tipps	Yes
Madison	4879	51	Edward and Holly Murphy	Yes
Madison	9230	49	Thomas and Sue Bartling	N
Madison	10363	49	Jordan and Jenny McBride	N
Madison	11155	45	Bill and Debby La Berge	Yes
Madison	12491	42	Aaron and Jennifer Teche	Yes
Madison	12644	40	Thomas and Kathy Kenney	Yes
Madison	16863	47	Jeff and Kelly Bond	Yes
Milwaukee	1657	73	Bob and Millie McCormick	Yes
Milwaukee	3562	63	Anthony and Erika Prater	Yes
Milwaukee	4897	71	Michael and Linda Johnson	N
Milwaukee	11129	61	John and Lisa Reiter	Yes
Milwaukee	11301	66	Father Neil Zinthefer	Yes
Milwaukee	12588	60	Douglas and Amy Miller	Yes
Milwaukee	16821	65	David Klamik	Yes
Superior	1762	81	Ryan and Theresa Douglas	N
Superior	2137	83	Jeff and Joan Kahl	Yes
Total	40		Members	33
			non-Members	7
			Percent Non-Members	17.5%

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New Family of the Month Form

Supreme has updated the Family of the Month form. The link to the form has not changed. Here it is. <https://kofc.org/un/en/resources/programs/family-of-the-month-year/10668-family-of-the-month-form.pdf> Here is what the new form looks like.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

ENTRY FORM

DUE BY 15th DAY OF THE FOLLOWING MONTH

Fully complete this report form by listing the family's information and qualifications. This will also ensure that the family is entered in the Supreme Council Family of the Month Contest.

The family of _____ has been selected as the _____
(Nominee's Name) (Month)

Family of the Month for Council _____ in _____
(Number) (State or Province)

Husband: _____ Member: Yes No Membership Number (if applicable): _____
Wife: _____ Children: Yes No If yes, how many children? _____

Age of nominee: _____ Years of Service: _____
(If Applicable)

Husband/nominee's email address: _____

Home Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State/Province) (Postal Code)

Our council's Family of the Month was selected for the following reasons:

The following factors should be considered when selecting a Family of the Month:


- Is the family tight-knit? Does the family spend quality time together?
- Does the family attend weekly Mass together? Does the family pray together outside of Mass?
- Has the family made significant contributions to the parish and church community?
- Does the family serve as a model of Catholic family values?

Signed: _____ Date ____/____/____
(Grand Knight)

Grand Knight's email: _____

Email a copy of this document to: fraternalmission@kofc.org
(Councils should also retain a copy of this completed form for their files)

(See other side for instructions)

 FAITH IN ACTIONFAMILY

Diocese	Council	District	Family
Green Bay	4489	9	Bob and Mary Kay Zuleger
Green Bay	4869	2	Joseph and Kimberly Blahnik
Green Bay	5514	10	Dennis and Tess Rudolph
Green Bay	6764	6	James and Pam Bertler
Green Bay	7895	5	Bill and Carol Currier
Green Bay	10243	13	Patrick and Annette Hoslet
La Crosse	3249	24	John and Connie Pozdell
La Crosse	3492	26	Brian and Alisa Weiss
La Crosse	4125	23	Jonathan and Bridget Burbach
La Crosse	9438	25	Brady and Megan Forrestal
La Crosse	13880	27	Al and Kathy Haas
La Crosse	15738	21	Daniel and Mary Weiser
Madison	765	41	Joseph and Geraldine Timmerman
Madison	1909	52	David and Peg McCarthy
Madison	3099	43	Marvin and Harriett Breunig
Madison	4392	46	Brad and Kelly Koenig
Madison	4879	51	Ronald and Joyce Graff
Madison	6371	43	Rufino and Margarita Arce
Madison	6508	50	Thomas and Melanie Wentler
Madison	9230	49	Timothy and Gwen Walleser
Madison	10363	49	Edward and Lee Ann Gilligan III
Madison	10920	42	Dr John and Mary Gernetzke
Madison	11155	45	Maatt and Vanessa Krippner
Madison	12491	42	Aaron and Jennifer Teche
Milwaukee	1789	61	Gregory and Lori Grimes
Milwaukee	3562	63	Michael and Mary Berendes
Milwaukee	11129	61	Vito and Christine Minneci
Milwaukee	12588	60	Chad and Jessi Balcom
Superior	1762	81	Joe and Mary Jo Graetz
Superior	2137	83	Eugene and Sarrah Sirianni
Superior	6587	87	Aaron and Sarah Halberg
Superior	16298	82	Jonathan and Gwyn Otto
Total	32		

Families of the Year

Here is the list of the 32 families that have been submitted as council Families of the Year.

One family from each diocese will be chosen as the Diocesan Family of the Year.

One of the Diocesan Families of the Year will be announced at the State Convention as the Wisconsin Family of the Year and will represent Wisconsin at the International Family of the Year competition.

Thank you, councils for taking the time to submit your families!

Closing

Which families are worth choosing for the Family of the Month? I would suggest looking in the bulletin to see whose kids are servers, who are the Eucharistic ministers, who are organizing church events and those who are always willing to volunteer for council events.

Gentlemen, these families are worthy of honor and being thanked for always being



there. They are silently being the example that others, including our own children and grandchildren, need to follow.

I am grateful that your councils are willing to take the time to choose them, give them the recognition they deserve and submitting them for the Family of the Month. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help.

Vivat Jesus!

SK Joe Uchytel
Wisconsin Family Coordinator