

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus  
Notes - November 2016



One Nation Under



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Editor: Jack Wrbanich



**Desk of the State Deputy**

Brothers,

His Mercy Endures Forever! We have a lot to be thankful for. After, just returning from the State Deputies Meeting and heading into our Mid-Year District Deputy meeting, I am Thankful for you Brother Knight. We have so many committed men, State Officers and Coordinators working to Build The Knights of Columbus by Building the Domestic Church so that all together we can Support the Catholic Church, Provide for the needs of our Families and those of our Brother Knights and Help those in our World less fortunate than ourselves.

As we approach our Mid-Year we can already see the tremendous commitment you have made paying off. Our vision to be, "Medics of God's Divine Mercy" is showing results in Membership Growth. We have our First Council with Double Star intake. Marynook Council 6487 Galesville has reached 200% of their New Member quota by working closely with their Parish Priest. These efforts secure them

\$250 from the State Council and if they fulfill the rest of the Star Council requirements the Supreme Council will waive their 2017 per capita payment. This month we also welcome this year's first New Council, Council #16582 at St. Pius X in Appleton. Congratulations to everyone involved in both accomplishments.

The Jubilee Year of Mercy has closed but the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy are never ending and we are in continual need to Build the Force that Defends God's Kingdom. Are we doing all we can to refresh the Troops, to Grow the Order? Every Faithful Catholic Man deserves the opportunity to be part of the World's Premier Catholic Lay Apostolate uniquely positioned to lead the Culture to the Church. Be Thankful for our Freedoms and for our Faith that together allow us to be a beacon of light to all Nations!

Vivat Jesus, Viva Christo Rey!  
SD Guski



<https://www.knightstrong.org/>



Bishop Powers, SD Guski and Rev. John Anderson  
New Richmond Council 2845 - 75th Anniversary

## State Chaplain's Corner



My Brother Knights,

**Just a reminder to visit and use our awesome new Faith Formation website.**

[KnightStrong.org](http://KnightStrong.org) is a website with everything needed to inspire and train Knights who seek the Lord with all their heart, mind, soul and strength. Launched at 3:00

PM CST on September 8, 2016 (The Nativity of Mary), this is a site for Knights of Columbus by Knights from the State of Wisconsin. It is designed to aid those of us in the trenches of the Church Militant to understand and train for our role in the mission of combatting evil and rescuing the souls of our loved ones, especially those who have lost the precious gift of faith (You can read the rest of the article about "Knight Strong" here: <https://www.knightstrong.org/announcing-knightstrong-org/>).

**Also, I want to alert you to a powerful prayer campaign for our new President, Donald Trump.** The nation-wide prayer campaign – Novena for Our Nation – begins November 28, the Feast of Saint Catherine

Labouré (who received the apparition of the Miraculous Medal), and goes until January 20, the Presidential Inauguration. Let's pray grace into our new President!

The "Novena for Our Nation" website is here (You can sign-up to receive daily emails at the website. Also, you can find the daily 54 Day Novena reflections at the website): [NovenaForOurNation.com](http://NovenaForOurNation.com) (If you received emails during our last 54 Day NFON, you do not need to sign-up again).

Here is a way to get the daily 54 Novena Rosary Novena reflections in book form: [HERE](#).

A special rate for books ordered in bundles of 20 books: [HERE](#).

Happy holidays to all of my brother Knights!!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Very Rev. Richard Heilman

Wisconsin State Chaplain

## Our Marriage Prayer

Worthy Brother Knights!

We believe the foundation of the family is the marriage bond between the mother, father and God. If we have a strong marriage bond, it will produce a strong family that can endure the challenges they will face throughout their lives. Strengthening the family also strengthens our parishes, communities and councils.

I invite your council to join us in celebrating marriage in your parishes on World Marriage Sunday February 12, 2017.

Simply share the following marriage prayer with each of your parishes during mass and by handing out prayer cards before/after mass. Here is the beautiful prayer:



*Lord, help us to remember when we first met  
and the strong love that grew between us.*

*To work that Love into practical things  
so that nothing can divide us.*

*We ask for words both kind and loving  
and hearts always ready to ask for forgiveness  
as well as to forgive.*

*Dear Lord, we put our marriage into Your hands.  
Amen*

Complete instructions on how to celebrate the Our Marriage Prayer in your parishes can be found at <http://www.OurMarriagePrayer.com/Knights-of-Columbus> Please go to the website and order the prayer cards as soon as possible so you have them before February 12, 2017.

Supreme promotes our councils to have parish couples renew their marriage vows on Father's Day. The Our

Marriage Prayer celebration is not intended to replace this event but to supplement it; please consider celebrating both events. With the divorce rate nearing 50%, all marriages need as much of God's protection that is available.

My prayer is that as the couples in your parishes begin to pray the Our Marriage Prayer during their nightly family prayers, that their kids will memorize it and pass the prayer and God's protection for their marriages down through the generations. Vivat Jesus!

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Council 7895 - Monsignor Gehl  
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The marriages you will treasure more than your own will be those of your children and grandchildren.

## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes



### “Reaching for the Stars!”

#### Double Star Race

##### **Double Star Race**

We are heading for a photo finish! Council 1922 Clintonville and Council 16444 La Crosse are each only 2 new Knights away from Double Star in Membership! Close on their heels is Council 16298 Amery which needs only 3, followed by Councils 14362 Kenosha and 16079 Pine Bluff which need only 4 each, and Council 4869 Oconto Falls which needs only 5.

Remember, the first council to Double Star gets \$250! And the next 5 each get \$100! Somebody is going to get this award!

##### **Star District Race**

As of November 1, six districts in Wisconsin had reached over 30% of their annual membership target. They were led by DD72 Norb DeKeuster at 60%, followed by DD3 Don Onesti at 46%, DD47 John Huttenhoff at 44%, DD48 Charles Crave at 36%, DD67 Jason Rusnak at 33%, DD70 Dennis Bednarek at 31%, and DD45 Erin Kennedy at 30%. Close to crashing the party was DD8 Corey Coonen who brought his district in at 29%. Honorable mention goes to DD91 Jim Sloane who has the only district at better than 25% at the close of October.

##### **New Supreme Incentive!**

Supreme is offering \$600 to every jurisdiction which has 75% of its councils active (have recruited at least one new member) by the end of the year. Wisconsin officially has 306 councils. At the end of October, 118 of those were active, or 38.6%. Watch for updates via Flock note!

##### **Monthly Top Recruiters (minimum 5 new members in a calendar month)**

So far this year only one Top Recruiter Award has been earned, by J. J. Gravel of the Green Bay Diocese. J. J. earned \$100 for his achievements in September. With no one earning the prize for October, Green Bay’s top qualifying recruiter for November will earn a minimum of \$50. The award for the other 4 dioceses stands at a minimum of \$125.

Our numbers were far from great in October but our activity was huge! There were Church Drives all over the map. We stand to reap a bountiful harvest of new Knights in November. Let’s keep the activity level high. Let’s build momentum into the end of the first half. Our Church needs us! Step up, Brothers.

Vivat Jesus,

IPSD Ronald Faust  
 Medic of Divine Mercy  
 State Membership Director  
 608-225-7281

#### **Circle of Honor**

Diocese	Goals	Target to Date	New Members	% of Target	Lost Members	Net Gain	Council without a new member	New Ins. Members	Lost Ins. Members	
Green Bay	482	160.7	64	39.8%	22	42	41	15	8	13.3%
La Crosse	418	139.3	45	32.3%	32	13	36	24	21	10.8%
Madison	436	145.3	62	42.7%	17	45	36	19	10	14.2%
Milwaukee	678	226.0	71	31.4%	35	36	32	27	16	10.5%
Superior	236	78.7	24	30.5%	3	21	38	18	6	10.2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>750.0</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>35.5%</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>11.8%</b>

Circle of Honor Goal	To Date	Circle of Honor Net	Circle of Honor Net/Net	Deceased Members	Membership as of 7/1/2016	Current Membership 11/1/2016
1200	266	840	100	320	36,188	36,025
	22.2%	157	-163			
		18.69%	-163%			

# Movie Night

Many Knights of Columbus councils offer “movie night” as a source of entertainment for members, their families, and the general public. These events provide an opportunity to promote fraternalism, build community, and enrich the culture with Christian values.

Council officers should bear in mind that they are personally responsible for ensuring compliance with applicable legal requirements relating to the showing of movies. Copyright laws in the United States, Canada, and elsewhere typically prohibit individuals and organizations from showing films outside the home without authorization from the owner of the copyright. Accordingly, councils must obtain the proper legal authority to show a movie to a group. In addition, council officers should also ensure that the content of the film reflects the Order’s Catholic character.

In order to show a film at a council meeting or public event, a council needs either permission or a license. When a council acquires a DVD, it owns only the DVD itself. The council does not thereby acquire the right to broadcast it to a public audience, regardless of whether the council decides to charge admission. That right can only be given by the copyright holder.

The owner of a copyrighted film (e.g., Disney, 20th Century Fox, Paramount, etc.) has the right to reproduce, sell, distribute, and show a film. An individual or organization that violates the owner’s copyright may be subject to substantial civil fines and even criminal penalties. Copyright holders often issue a cease and desist letter before commencing legal action, but they are not required to do so.

The holder of a copyright may authorize the public showing of a movie either by granting permission or by issuing a license. Because the permissions process is frequently slow or unreliable, most organizations prefer to obtain a license.

Licenses can be purchased for a fee from copyright collection companies. The largest film licensing companies in the United States are [Swank](#) and [Criterion USA](#). [CVLI Church Video License](#), meanwhile, is a specific supplier to churches and ministry groups in the U.S. and Canada. An Umbrella License® may be obtained from the [Motion Picture Licensing Corporation](#), a company that offers copyright licenses in the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Poland, and others. Some independent producers, such as faith-based [Provident Films](#), license their own cinematic productions and must be contacted directly. Canadian councils showing feature films may use [Audio Cine Films Inc.](#), which holds certain exclusive rights.

The Knights of Columbus does not endorse any copyright collection companies, film producers, or distributors. The list provided here is meant to illustrate where councils can purchase a license to show a movie to a public audience. Each council should conduct its own research to determine which licensing company meets its needs, interests, and budget.

There are exceptions to the copyright rules. For example, neither permission nor a license is needed when a movie is shown by a nonprofit educational institution as part of its face-to-face classroom instruction. Knights of Columbus councils would not fit under this exception or any other.

Knights of Columbus councils that offer “movie night” should thoughtfully choose selections that conform to Catholic values and the culture of life. [Catholic News Service](#) of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops offers a searchable list of films, accompanied by a classification system, which may help councils select films that are appropriate for family viewing.

*Mike Tomsyck, State Advocate*

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## Email all form 100’s to [membershiprecords@kofc.org](mailto:membershiprecords@kofc.org).

To get to the World Sports Membership Challenge standings page, please click on the "FOR MEMBERS" box on the upper right hand corner of Supreme’s homepage in the light blue section that is opposite to the emblem and name. Then here, scroll down until you see "Membership Awards" and click on the blue title. This will take you straight to the "State Membership Awards" page and then you can click on World Sports Membership Challenge. Notice that you can also click on "District Membership Awards", "Council Membership Awards", and Recruiter Membership Awards" to see what current incentives are being offered.

⇒ District Deputies don’t forget to send in your Form 450 after each Degree!

*The pitfalls of replacing coverage*

We all know the old adage, “the grass seems greener on the other side of the fence.” When it comes to replacing your existing Knights of Columbus life insurance with coverage offered by another company, the adage holds true. Perceptions are deceiving. A move to the other side of the fence might seem like a good one, but it can leave you with less green in your wallet — in some cases, a lot less. That’s why it pays to remember another old saying, “Read the fine print.”

There are many reasons to keep your existing coverage in force, whether that coverage is with the Knights of Columbus or with another company. We’ll focus on the potential pitfalls of replacing coverage here — pitfalls that an agent trying to convince you that the grass actually is greener might neglect to mention.

First, all life insurance contracts contain a contestability period, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period — typically two years

— after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage. Second, it’s unlikely that you can obtain the same amount of coverage, for the same premium, that you were able to obtain with your existing contract. The two factors that determine how much you’ll need to pay for life insurance coverage are age and health. Certainly, you’re older now than you were when you took out your current coverage. There’s no way around that one. And you have to ask yourself, has your health changed during that time? Is your blood pressure the same? Your cholesterol? Have you gained weight? All these factors can affect the amount of coverage you’ll get for your premium dollar.

If someone encourages you to replace — or worse, drop — your existing coverage, please call us. We’ll show you how your existing coverage is working for you and why replacement is rarely in your best interest.



Membership 24-7-365

**MORE Knights bring MORE hands (& hearts), to raise MORE funds (& to evangelize), doing GOD's good works helping MORE people in need!**



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## State Program Director - From the Desk of the Professor



Brother Knights,

This morning there's a frost on the ground, a nip in the air, Christmas music on the radio and plans underway for Thanksgiving! As we head into the Holiday season and toward the end of 2016, I hope that your programming so far for our 2016-17 Fraternal Year has been progressing well. In addition to your parish-based programs that are now our #1 focus and concern, you should be getting set for your Christmas Poster Contest(s). The traditional "True Meaning of Christmas" Contest for grades 1-4 runs 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent-December 15 with Council winners due to your Diocesan Program Coordinator by January 1. Information can be downloaded from the State website or contact Randy DeMars (715-271-4157, 715-832-1639 or [demardrd@yahoo.com](mailto:demardrd@yahoo.com)) for more information. The Supreme "Keep Christ in Christmas" Contest (ages 5, 10-14) runs November 15-December 24. Council winners are due to me by January 15! Information can be downloaded from the Supreme website and kits ordered from Supreme. For more information, contact me at 262-633-7887, 262-945-1095 or [frayerfamily@yahoo.com](mailto:frayerfamily@yahoo.com)).

You should also be planning for the annual Light Up for Christ (now "Spread the Light of Christ") on St. Nicholas Day, December 6 at 8 PM. Join your Brother Knights across the land as they light their Advent wreaths, outdoor displays and Nativity scenes, Christmas trees, etc. at that time. Join in a family, parish or Council meal, prayer service, caroling, charitable giving project, etc.

I also hope that you've ordered your Keep Christ in Christmas yard signs and magnets/decals and are preparing to distribute them. Information can be found on the State website.

I also hope that you've 1) turned in your Culture of Life Essay winners (due to Diocesan Coordinators by November 15), 2) completed and turned in your Lifesavers for Life proceeds/reports to State Office or Dan Miller, 3) are well along in your collection of gift cards and other items for the Sentiments for Seminarians program. These will be brought to the Winter DD meeting in Oshkosh (Dec. 3-4) so be sure to get those items to your DD by December 1! Information on the program and desired gift items to be collected from your Council/parish can be downloaded from the State website.

As you progress along with your Building the Domestic Church Initiative programs, remember that several fit in with this time of the year, including the:

Journey to the Inn [Posada] (Advent)

Consecration to the Holy Family (around Feast of the Holy Family, Dec. 30)

Food for Families (Thanksgiving and Christmas basket drives!)

Family Fully Alive Devotional Program (order the brown booklets from Supreme or State Secretary Jack Wrbanich and distribute them this Holiday season!)

Keep Christ in Christmas

Implement most of these and you'll take a big step toward your 2016-17 Columbian Award!

Other ideas that should be on your radar are:

- 1) Coats for Kids (anytime)
- 2) March for Life (Jan. 22 in D.C., Jan. 16 in Chicago)
- 3) Black Friday Council Charitable Outreach Day (Nov. 25)
- 4) Supreme Citizenship Essay Contest (Nov.-Jan.)
- 5) Knowledge and Free Throw Contests (Dec.-early Feb.)

Information on all these programs is available on the State and/or Supreme websites, Knightline, or from me.

Remember also to work toward getting your History Books done for turn in to your DD by February 1. Also, the Holidays are a lot of fun and relaxation, but don't forget to keep up your Church Drives and other recruiting efforts, information nights or open houses, Degrees, involving your prospects/parishioners/friends and neighbors in your programs. November and December are not the time to take off from membership and recruiting! It's a 24/7/365 responsibility!

My family and I wish you a Blessed, Happy Thanksgiving!

Vivat Jesus! Vivat Cristo Rey!  
Bill Frayer  
State Program Director

# Men For All Seasons

## Green Bay Men's Conference



Drew Mariani  
Emcee

Green Bay Packers Coach David Rain

Father Larry Richards

Matt Fradd

Fr. Jewel Aytona

### Making Sense of a Senseless World

How do you make sense of what is happening in America today?

Come join 1,400 other men at the 2nd Annual *Men For All Seasons* conference, where we will take up the question. We will look at things through a Christian lens, as men seeking to be guided by the Holy Spirit.

A true mark of Discipleship is to bring a friend! We look forward to see you at the conference!

For conference information and to register:

[www.estovir.com](http://www.estovir.com)

March 4, 2017

KI Convention Center  
333 Main st., Green Bay, WI 54301



**Men for all seasons, ages 12 and up are welcome!**

## Holy Family Icon Prayer Program Schedule

If you have any questions, Contact Coordinator Kevin Blau  
(608) 697-9758 or (608) 697-0364, blaufamily11@gmail.com

**Icon #1                      Icon #2                      Icon #3**

**November 20, 2016 through December 17, 2016**

District 47                      District 13                      District 25

**December 18, 2016 through January 21, 2017**

District 42                      District 4                      District 26

**January 22, 2017 through February 18, 2017**

District 45                      District 12                      District 23

**February 19, 2017 through March 18, 2017**

District 43                      District 11                      District 46

**March 19, 2017 through April 22, 2017**

District 52                      District 61                      District 30

**April 23, 2017 through May 20, 2017**

District 40                      District 62                      District 24

**May 21, 2017 through June 17, 2017**

District 41                      District 60

**June 18, 2017 through July 15, 2017**

District 66    District 1







# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**Wisconsin Knights of Columbus 2016 - 2017 Scheduled Degrees:** see updated schedule at <http://www.kofcknights.org/StateCouncilSite/degreeSchedule.asp?CN=US&ST=WI>  
(Contact State Secretary Jack Wrbanich with scheduled degrees - jwrbanich@wikofc.com)

**Admission Ceremonial Degree:**

<u>Green Bay Diocese</u>	<u>La Crosse Diocese</u>	<u>Madison Diocese</u>	<u>Milwaukee Archdiocese</u>	<u>Superior Diocese</u>
<i>December</i> 5 - Council 3955, De Pere 6 - Council 4735, Denmark 14 - Council 2210, Algoma	<i>December</i> 5 - Council 4125, Tomah 27 - Council 2787, Independence	<i>None</i>	<i>December</i> 14 - Council 6646, Milwaukee 15 - Council 697, Racine 21 - Council 8108, Wilmot	<i>None</i>

**District Deputies log on to: <http://kofcknights.org/DistrictDeputy/> to schedule your council's Admissions Degrees!!**

<b>Formation Ceremonial Degree:</b>					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
None					
<b>Knighthood Ceremonial Degree:</b>					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
None					

*To schedule a Second or Third Degree in your Council/District, Contact SK Michael Jordan 920.858-7709 e-mail: michael.jordan@luvata.com*

**Fourth Degrees: Patriotism**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
April 1, 2017	Green Bay, WI	Eastern	(920) 468-1979

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Email submissions to [jwrbanich@wikofc.com](mailto:jwrbanich@wikofc.com)



## “Feed My Starving Children”



Sunday, November 13, 2016 a Memorial Mass for the Knights of Columbus members of Dr. E. T. Monroe Council 2689 at St. Killian Parish, Hartford, WI. In attendance was Our Lady Of Holy Hill Assembly 1677 West Bend, WI along with our Eastern State Master, SK Larry Ziarnik. Celebrant of the Eucharist was Pastor, Rev. David W. La Plante and presenting the gifts were Knights of Columbus Council members along with escorted by the Honor

District #47; Blackhawk Council #3099 of Sauk City; Frs William & Christian Council #6371 of Waunakee; St. Patrick Council #6463 of Lodi and Fr. John A. Satterlee Council #7811 of Mazomanie. Council and family members gathered at Grand Avenue School in Prairie du Sac, Friday, October 28, 2016 to be part of a hunger solution through the Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack. The Knights and family members put together “manna food packs” and in the process contributed to the over 1.3 million meals shipped overseas since 2010 by local organizer, Sauk-Prairie Against Hunger.



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# Badger Bulletin



Council 3099 presented checks to Sauk-Prairie Special Olympians and to Sauk-Prairie Schools Special Education from the proceeds of their April 15-17 Tootsie Roll sales. Olympians and Coach Dale Haroldson accepted a \$1,095.93 check from Council 3099 Grand Knight Chris Schmitt during their weekly bowling session at Rivera Bowl in Sauk City. GK Schmitt also presented a \$1,095.93 check to Doug Yost, Executive Director – Special Education & Pupil Services, Sauk Prairie Schools. The donations will help defray the costs of the Special Olympians to travel to District and State competitions and to offer more opportunities to Special Education Students in the S-P School System.



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# Badger Bulletin

## Wisconsin Knights In Action



Melvin and Annette Albers celebrate their 75<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Sunday, November 20, 2016. Both graduates of Green Bay East High School, Melvin (95) and Annette (96) were married at St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay on November 20, 1941. Melvin served in the Army Air Corps toward the end of WWII while Annette stayed home to care for their two young boys. He returned from the army and they began the rest of their life together. Melvin enjoyed a career as a carpenter/millwright for the Selmer Company. Annette held many positions including bookkeeper, nurse's aide, and Brown County Library Audio/Visual equipment coordinator. Together they raised 7 children, all attending Catholic grade school and high school. Mel and Ann have 11 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. They currently reside at an assisted living facility in Howard. Although inactive for a number of years, Melvin has been a member of the Knights of Columbus Green Bay Council 617 since December 1, 1960.



2016 State Council  
Punt Pass and Kick  
Soccer Challenge Winners  
Abbot Pennings Council #3955 Host