

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus  
Notes  
October 2017



### Desk of the State Deputy

Vivat Jesus Brother Knights,  
We are heading into our Holy Days season after coming through the celebrations of our Heroic Patron Christopher Columbus. Your State Officers appreciate all of the opportunities to celebrate with you at your local events. Please as you plan for Celebrations include an invitation to the State Council Officer and/or

State Deputy (Me), Field Agent and/or General Agent and your District Deputy.

This is a Fraternity we are all in this together and the mission from Supreme to Domestic Church is the same. The Unity and understanding by knowing each other is our strength. If you have ever heard a member say “Supreme this or that” – “The State Council this or that” you are not getting the sense of Charity, Unity and Fraternity that makes our Patriotism powerful. The “how” and “why” of what we do makes sense but we can make it better together. The first mission, to help support and build the Church requires Unity in perpetuating and growing the order. There is strength in numbers. You cannot do “it” alone. You are the Church, You are the State Council, You are the Supreme Council! There are

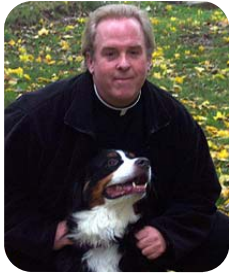
great things happening in Wisconsin and around the World. The Knights are everywhere for those in need in Mexico, Texas, Florida, Syria, Iraq, Philippines, Korea, Ukraine and in your Parish. We are blessed with abundance and every man deserves the opportunity to benefit from membership in this Fraternity.

“Why are you a Knight of Columbus?” you need to be able to answer that question and share your story with every man you meet.

You are your brother’s keeper; we must be relevant to the lives of our brothers and their Domestic Church. Christ meets you where you are and we must do the same for our brothers. We share in strengthening each other in Faith; the Catholic Faith is the foundation for life and this Order. From that strength we share the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. It is simple truth only complicated by worldly distraction for which we need Unity to confront and conquer. Let your chosen leaders share the message from your brothers and build your strength through Fraternity.

Viva Christo Rey!  
State Deputy Tim Guski





## State Chaplain Corner

My Brother Knights,  
The Book of Revelations reads,  
“I know your works; I know that  
you are neither cold nor hot. I wish  
you were either cold or hot. So, be-  
cause you are lukewarm, neither hot

nor cold, I will vomit you out of my mouth.” (Revelations  
3:15,16)

Notice the level of offense and rage in the words, “I will **\*vomit\*** you out of mouth.” Obviously, those on fire for the Lord (HOT), and go above and beyond in their loving service to the Lord, are not anything with which God would have a problem. Even those who stand opposed to God (COLD) are not the greater threat against God’s kingdom. Why? Because we see them as great sinners and, for most of us, we know not to follow their ways. In other words, they are not very effective in winning more souls for Satan.

**Satan’s most powerful force; his “Elite Fighting Force” are the indifferent, the dispassionate, the half-hearted ... it is the lukewarm.** These are Satan’s “Special Forces” because they are the most effective in winning over a multitude of souls for the devil. Why? Because many are easily swayed by their “version of lukewarm religion.” One that sets every other thing, noble or not, ahead of participating in building the kingdom of God.

Pope St. Pius X wrote, “*All the strength of Satan’s reign is due to the easygoing weakness of Catholics.*”

Pope St. Pius V put it in even stronger terms, “*All the evils of the world are due to lukewarm Catholics.*”

What?!?!? Not rapists or murderers or terrorists, but “lukewarm Catholics”? Why? Because “THE” army God wants to use becomes immobilized and ineffective, in this lukewarm state, in impacting other souls to join the ranks of God’s army. Besides going to church, they look no different from the rest of the world. And many – MANY – find it very attractive to count themselves as team members with “no effort required.”

God’s “Elite Fighting Force” are those who embrace the supernatural power of God and wield it. And, after years of immersion in a more secular form of religion that denies God’s power, there are many signs that things are improving. More priests and bishops are promoting the Rosary and many other devotions, while many priests and bishops are advocating more reverent and sacred liturgies. And, everyone knows that our seminarians and young priests are wonderfully devout. Could it be that the scales are now tipping in favor Christ as Lord and Savior, rather than man as his own lord and savior?

Maybe God’s Elite Fighting Force has reclaimed the surrender ground of the supernatural and is rising to a “greater power” than Satan’s “lukewarm army.”

I want this passage from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesian’s on my funeral Mass card ...

*“Draw your strength from the Lord and his mighty power. Put on the armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil. Our battle is not against human forces but against the principalities and powers, the rulers of this world of darkness, the evil spirits in regions above. You must put on the armor of God if you are to resist on the evil day; do all that your duty requires, and hold your ground”*  
(Eph 6:10-12)

**Go to Confession frequently. Adore often. Rosary daily. Serve extravagantly. And you will have a “greater power” than Satan.**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!  
Go to Joseph!  
Very Rev. Richard Heilman, V.F.  
State Chaplain  
Wisconsin Knights of Columbus



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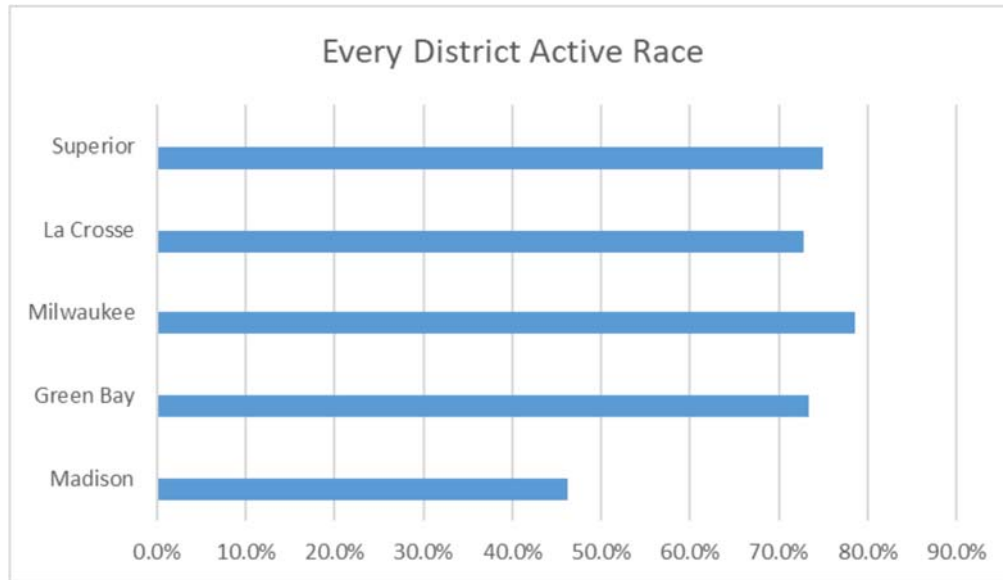
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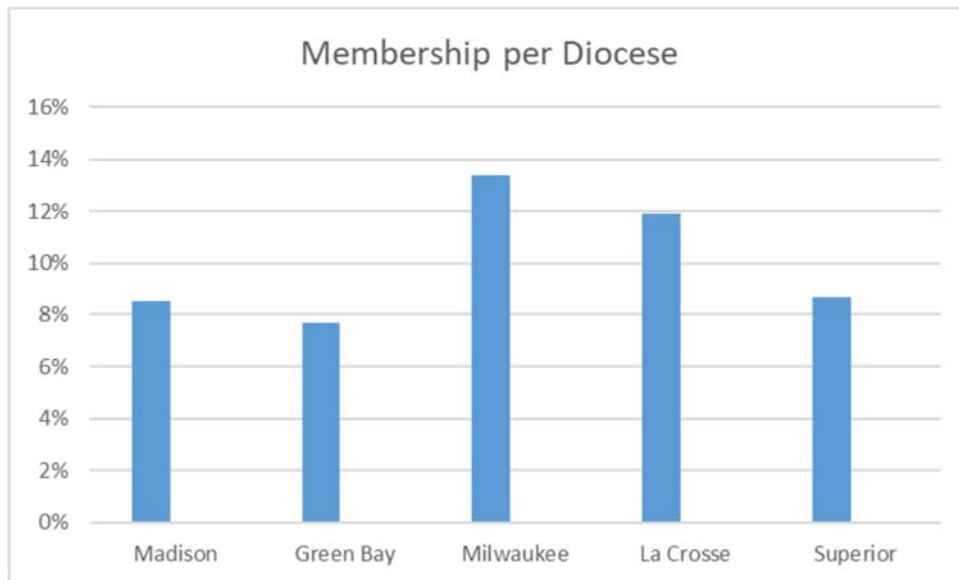
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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Momentum!!

Things are starting to heat up! Milwaukee is on the move in the race to be the first diocese to have every district active.



And Green Bay, still in last place in recruiting, is closing in on Madison and Superior. Milwaukee and La Crosse are leading the way.



And we have districts closing in on having every council active, including two in the Diocese of La Crosse! District 24 with District Deputy Tom Eder has 3 active councils and District 28 with District Deputy Dave Joswiak has 4! In the Madison Diocese, District 47 with District Deputy Rob Christianson, and District 48 with District Deputy Bernie Heit, each have 3 councils active. And in the Milwaukee Archdiocese, District 65 with District Deputy John Kubicek has 3 councils active and District 70 with District Deputy Dennis Bednarek has 4! Watch your FlockNotes to get the updates! This is Church Drive month – someone is going to break out!

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OK, enough with the preliminaries. What you are all waiting for is:

### **Who got the money?**

Last month we listed all the incentives for the first quarter. And the achievers are:

<b>Father Robert Kacalo, St. Stephen the Martyr Council 16821 in Oak Creek</b>	<b>\$170.00</b>
<b>8 new Brother Knights for \$120</b>	
<b>Tops in Archdiocese and State for \$50</b>	
<b>DD Thomas Eder, Goldsmith Council 974 in Chippewa Falls</b>	<b>\$122.50</b>
<b>4 new Brother Knights for \$60</b>	
<b>Tops in Diocese and tied for tops in State for \$62.50 (no winner in July for La Crosse)</b>	
<b>DD Michael Tennies, St. Peter Council 12588 in Slinger</b>	<b>\$ 97.50</b>
<b>4 new Brother Knights for \$60</b>	
<b>Tops in Archdiocese and tied for tops in State for \$37.50</b>	
<b>Robert Rhode, Kettle Moraine Council 3562 in Pewaukee</b>	<b>\$ 95.00</b>
<b>3 new Brother Knights for \$45</b>	
<b>Tops in Archdiocese and State for \$50</b>	

There are 76 more Brother Knights who will be taking home cash, ranging from \$45 to \$5. We will post their names on our State website.

### **District Incentives!!**

\$150 for starting a new council plus set of council officer jewels - \$215  
\$150 to each of the five (5) Top Districts in the State at the end of the quarter.

Must achieve minimum of 25% by October 1 to qualify.

<b>District Deputy 60 John “King Schnauzer” Kubicek, 60% (plus started a new council!)</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>District Deputy 70 Dennis “Border Collie” Bednarek, 30%</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>
<b>District Deputy 48 Bernie “Hound Dog” Heit, 25%</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>
<b>District Deputy 87 Jeff “Siberian Husky” Stellrecht, 25%</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>

Scan and send form 100s to: [membershiprecords@kofc.org](mailto:membershiprecords@kofc.org)

Don't forget to copy: [forms@wikofc.com](mailto:forms@wikofc.com)

**GO!! WISCONSIN!! GO!!**

## Programs



October put us 1/3 of the way through the 2017-18 Fraternal Year. Are you 1/3 of the way or more to achieving your goals for membership, insurance members, programs completed for your Columbian and Wisconsin Outstanding Council Awards? If so, keep it up; if

not, you need to get going NOW! Every Council's goal should be to achieve Star/Double Star Council.

Hopefully, you have a good Church Drive scheduled for October along with an Admission Degree. October is also Charitable Outreach Month and Pro-Life Month. So, those programs like Life Savers for Life, Culture of Life Essay Contest, Ultrasound Projects, Coats for Kids, Food for Families, etc. are especially timely this month. Don't forget your Council and individual contributions in October to the State Culture of Life Fund.

Remember that the State Punt, Pass, Kick and Soccer Challenge Contests are set for Saturday, October 21 at De Pere High School, 11 AM-Noon registration and practice; 12:05 PM competition. Look forward to seeing many of you there.

I was heartened by the enthusiasm and dedication of the Brothers I met at the 5 Diocesan Tour meetings. Let's bring that to our planning and execution of our upcoming events in November and December. You should be planning now for your Christmas Poster Contest(s), Keep Christ in Christmas efforts, Sentiments for Seminarians in November, Spread the Light of Christ (Dec. 5), Charitable Outreach Project on "Black Friday,"

Knowledge and Free Throw Contests, Faith Formation and needed parish support programs, etc. Building the Domestic Church Initiative programs such as Family Rosary, Consecration to the Holy Family (Dec. 31), Journey to the Inn (Posada), Into the Breach and Family Fully Alive, etc. should be well on the way to being ready to go in November-December. Don't forget your Special Olympics support, Family of the month, History Books and the Charity Raffle tickets you'll get in November as other important programs to be working on.

We only had 21 Star and 31 Complete Councils for 2016-17. We should be able to have 3, 4, 5 times that many this year! So use those Fraternal Planners, those Star Council checklist posters, those Wisconsin Outstanding Council checklists in your Officer meetings, working with your DD in your Council meetings monthly to stay on track! Work to make sure you get a History Book, print or electronic, ready to turn in for 2017, as best as you can. We can succeed with everyone doing their part.

Wishing you a fantastic October,

Vivat Jesus! Vivat Cristo Rey!

Fraternally,  
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State Program Director  
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**Wisconsin State Council's  
June  
DIOCESAN FAMILIES OF THE MONTH 2017**

<b>Green Bay Diocese</b> Robert A & Barbara Dietsche	6926/2	Lena, WI.
<b>La Crosse Diocese</b> Philip O. & Debra Peterson	6789/28	Mosinee, WI.
<b>Madison Diocese</b> Dan & Peg Pustina	1909/52	Cobb, WI.
<b>Milwaukee Archdiocese</b> Carl & Lisa Howland	12588/66	Allenton, WI.
<b>Superior Diocese</b> Todd & Laurie Edelman	7030/81	Woodruff, WI

**The Supreme Families of the Month for June are:**

<b>Council</b>	<b>Member</b>
765	Jeff Richardson
2137	Alan Burmester
3562	Ronald Smith
5008	Dale Hartleben
7827	Robert Beaurain
11301	Dale Elsinger
13880	Chris Doubek

**July  
DIOCESAN FAMILIES OF THE MONTH 2017**

<b>Green Bay Diocese</b> Decon Paul & Laura Gleichner	1957/12	Neenah, WI.
<b>La Crosse Diocese</b> Gene R. & Zofia Leszczynski	5488/28	Mosinee, WI.
<b>Madison Diocese</b> Richard & Beth Connolly	1909/52	Montfort, WI.
<b>Milwaukee Archdiocese</b> Michael Tennies	11301/60	Slinger, WI.
<b>Superior Diocese</b>	No nomination this month	

**The Supreme Families of the Month for July are:**

<b>Council</b>	<b>Member</b>
1547	Joe Van Ryzin
2478	Robert Gebauer
5488	Gene Lesszczynski
7732	Gary Theil



The structure of the family is built on strength, faith and love. Strength comes from a bond of togetherness, experience and respect for one another. Families build a strong foundation of faith as they pray, attend Mass and spend time together.

The Supreme Council encourages every council to participate in the Order's "Family of the Month" program. To take part a council selects a member and his family as its "Family of the Month" using the guidelines explained in the Family of the Month booklet (#1993) provided to each council in its "Surge ...with Service" kit.

Items that your committee should look for (but not be restricted to) in their selections are:

- Has the family made significant contributions to the Church, community, and/or council?
- Does the family get along?
- Does the family share experiences?
- Does the family communicate openly and honestly?
- Does the family pray and attend Mass together?

After having chosen a family, complete and submit the corresponding monthly form from the Family of the Month. A copy of this form is also available online at [www.kofc.org/forms](http://www.kofc.org/forms). These forms are sent to the Supreme Council office. On the 15th day of each month 100 Family of the Month reporting forms are randomly selected and the families chosen receive a Holy Family plaque.

**Submit forms to the State Deputy at [forms@wikofc.com](mailto:forms@wikofc.com)**

## State Intellectual Disabilities (ID) Drive Makes History

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Thank you for all you do for the Order.

Mark Jelinek  
WI KC ID Director



## State Charity Raffle

We will be packing tickets, posters, and instructions November 11. Your District Deputy should receive his council's boxes a week or so later. If you do not receive your box of tickets and informational materials by November 30, first contact your District Deputy and if he can't help you then contact State Charity Director Mark Kohls at [mark.kohls@att.net](mailto:mark.kohls@att.net). DD's please look for your packet of information and 300 tickets in with your local councils box. Councils, make sure you have appointed a Council Raffle Charity Chairman and submit that information to your Diocesan Charity Coordinator. The Council Chairman is responsible to distribute (suggested)

6 tickets per member to all Council members, even inactive and widows, along with a letter which explains the purpose and necessity of raffle. The Council Chairman is also responsible for collecting the ticket stubs and proceeds, tabulating results and preparing forms for transmitting information to the Diocesan Charity Coordinator. The forms will be in the box of tickets and will be very useful.

- Mark Kohls State Charity Director

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## State Training Corner

Brother Knights,

Thank you to those officers and chairmen that attended the Diocesan Training meetings. The feedback we received is positive, and attendees' suggestions will be considered. The slides for the Officer and teamwork training is posted on the "State Forms" section of the WI State website. Please download and share with those not in attendance. Please note:

We are going to update the treasurer position to be more in depth than what was presented at the meetings.

The Grand Knight and Financial Secretary Portion was an overview. Those officers should attend the specialized training noted below.

We had a good time poking fun at Jon Olsen during the "mock meeting". It was unanimous, Jon was not reimbursed for his 49¢ at any of the 5 meetings. Seriously, we hope you had some take aways from the mock meeting:

An Officer's planning meeting will expedite your business meeting

Reports are given, planning activity details should be done in committee meetings

Publishing minutes and distributing them electronically, and having print versions available when members arrive at the meeting can eliminate reading the minutes during the meeting and thus save time. No motion is required to accept the minutes.

The "Good of the Order" is after and separate from reviewing and praying for those in sickness and

distress. The Lecturer has an important role in making the meeting interesting for the members  
Protocol, Protocol, Protocol

We are off and running in the new fraternal year.

### **Financial Secretary/Faithful Comptroller Training**

Designed for anyone interested in learning more of the duties of the FS and FC and instruction on using Member Management and Member Billing.

We are starting a new round of training sessions: You can attend training in any location if works better for you and your schedule.

### **November 14, 2017**

9:00am – 3:00 pm

St. Anthony Spirituality Center

300 E. 4<sup>th</sup> St.

Marathon City, WI 54448

RSVP by 10/28/17

RSVP:

to [jonneyoincolumbus@gmail.com](mailto:jonneyoincolumbus@gmail.com) or (920)-623-5545. Please indicate number of people attending, what position you hold and location of the training. We need a count so we are prepared with resource material and planning for food and beverage. Last minute attendees may be accommodated, please call.

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Who can attend: Anyone interested in learning more of the duties of the FS and FC also instruction on using Member Management and Member Billing.

What to Bring: you can bring a laptop, but it is not necessary. Wifi will be available. You can bring items to write notes on.

**Expanded training for the Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knights** in their duties, responsibilities, and use of technology in fulfilling their office. This training is designed for ALL Grand Knights and Deputy Grand Knights.

Remember, if you need help outside these training sessions, please contact us. We are here to help your council be the best it can be.

Thank you,  
Viva Jesus

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## Marriage Prayer Program

Brother Knights!

With marriage between a man and woman being attacked by our media and other segments of our society, is there any wonder why the divorce rate is so high in our country? How can *we* help change this? **More importantly**, how can we protect our own marriages as well as the ones that matter the most to each of us; the marriages of our current and future children and grandchildren?

Through prayer and our example.

I encourage every knight and his bride to pray the Our Marriage Prayer every night and if you have children, pray it together in front of them. This allows them to memorize the prayer and because they will have memories of mom and dad always praying the prayer, it is likely they too will do the same in front of your grandchildren. **Hopefully, it will pass down through the generations.**

**But why stop there?** Why not share the Our Marriage Prayer with all the married couples in your council's parishes? Here's how!

I invite every council to celebrate the Our Marriage Prayer in your parishes on World Marriage Sunday, **February 11, 2018!**

The very first step is to **order prayer cards** that can be handed out at the masses. We have a new inventory of

cards that can be ordered from Amazon. Please order as soon as possible so I don't run out before February. Due to their availability on Amazon, I am getting surprise orders from councils in other states which depletes my inventory at a rate faster than expected.

**Action Items**

Order prayer cards from Amazon.com (search **Our Marriage Prayer Knights**)

For more details, visit <http://www.OurMarriagePrayer.com>

Vivat Jesus!  
Joe Uchtyl  
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*



## Another way we protect spouses

As a member of this council, you know how important spouses can be to the charitable works of the Order. If you're married, your wife is probably involved in a few of the many events that happen each fraternal year. This support adds great value and impact to what a council can achieve.

When the Order was founded in 1882, Father Michael J. McGivney and the other brave men were setting out to protect Catholic families, but especially wives and children. We know today this is done through our insurance products which are designed with that goal in mind. One specific policy rider that you may not know about is called Spousal Waiver of Premium. This rider is unique to the Knights of Columbus philosophy of helping our widows.

This rider is available on most permanent and Discoverer plans purchased at standard rates by a member and his wife on the same day. When both spouses apply, the rider provides for waiver of premiums on the spouse's contract in the event of the insured's death. Best of all, for members and spouses ages 18 to 60, this waiver can be added for no charge. The rider stays in effect until the spouse attains age 65 or certain other triggering events occur.

Our products are designed with your needs and budget in mind. With a solid portfolio of life insurance, long-term care and retirement products, the Knights of Columbus can help you meet all of your financial goals. To learn more about these solutions, contact your agent today.



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## Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program

Tomorrow's future rests with today's youth! As part of Supreme's initiative of Building the Domestic Church while strengthening our Parish, the Knights of Columbus has taken the initiative to emphasize the importance of our Youth Programs and those involved in the leadership of our youth.

The following is a summary of my presentation at the Diocesan Meeting held in September.

The Board of Directors of the Knights of Columbus has decided that all members in youth serving roles and certain officer positions be required to take online youth protection and safe environment training. Specifically, State Deputies, State Squire Chairman, State Youth Directors, Grand Knights, Council Youth Directors, Columbian Squires Chairmen, Chief Counselors, Committee Counselors, and Faithful Navigators (if their assembly sponsors a Circle) **MUST** complete the youth protection and safe environment training, **but are NOT required to undergo background checks UNLESS they also hold a youth leader position.**

IN ADDITION, it is the policy of the Knights of Columbus that all members elected to serve as Youth Leaders fulfill all local diocesan safe environment/

youth protection training and background check requirement before they begin their service or within 30 days thereafter.

If Youth Leaders do not complete the safe environment training and background check authorization within 30 days, they will become ineligible to serve as a Youth Leader and will be notified of their removal from that role by the Supreme Office. The member's Grand Knight will also be notified of the member's removal as Youth Leader. The Grand Knight is then advised to consider appointing a new member to fill the vacant Youth Leader role.

Every Grand Knight and Youth Leader received a letter providing instructions on how to access Praesidium's Armatus online training platform. If lost or did not receive this information, please contact Ms. Lee Ann Harper at Supreme [203-752-4640] or email: [lee.harper@kofc.org](mailto:lee.harper@kofc.org). She is the Office of Youth Protection Manager.

For those with passwords, the web access path is: <https://armatus2.praesidiuminc.com/armatusUser/login>

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The Supreme online training **MUST** be completed every two years. Additional information about the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program is available on the Supreme website:

<http://www.kofc.org/en/members/programs/youth-activities/safe-environment-program.html>

**Star Council:** One additional requirement for Councils to achieve Star Council is that the Grand

Knight **MUST** complete the Youth Environment Training Program and if the Council has a Youth Leader, he **MUST** also complete the Youth Environment Training Program. No exceptions.

If you have any questions, please contact your District Deputy or myself.

*Mike Tomsyck, State Advocate*

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## Accepting Grant Applications!

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*ID Director*



**LET THE COUNTDOWN BEGIN**

USA SPECIAL OLYMPIC GAMES

July 1-6, 2018

Seattle, Washington



We have ONE more year to raise nearly \$26,000 MORE Dollars to help our ;  
Wisconsin Special Athletes to the USA games in Seattle.

This would complete our \$100,000 voluntary 4 year commitment to Wisconsin Special Olympic Athletes for Team 2018.

The financial commitment is only 75 cents for each Wisconsin K of C member per year.

That investment buys more than transportation to Seattle.

It includes eye, ear, dental and health screenings for more than 500 Wisconsin Special Olympic Athletes.

As KC's and Christians, we are committed to support those around us who are most in need.

If you have a local chapter to donate to, we encourage that first.

If you do not have a local chapter, please consider donating to help send our Wisconsin athletes to Seattle.

If you can't afford 75 cents per member, then send us \$1.00 per member.

**IT IS MONEY WELL SPENT!!**

**Your reward will be eternal!!**

All donations should be run through the Knights of Columbus Charity account,(501)(c)(3).

Checks should be made out to "Wisconsin K of C Charities, and mailed to;

Bryce Lisowski, Special Olympics Coordinator

S 1345 County Road NN

Alma, WI 54610



July 3, 2017

**DATED INFORMATION PLEASE READ IMMEDIATELY!**

Worthy Grand Knight,

In accordance with the by-laws of the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus State Bowling Committee, and virtue of your council having entered one or more teams to the past State Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament, you are permitted to propose the name of a member of your council to be considered by the State Deputy, for the ballot for election to the State Bowling Committee for the term of July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019.

We request that this letter with your signature affixed be sent to me, as Secretary of the State Bowling Committee on or before September 30, 2017. No application will be accepted after September 30, 2017.

Please have your nominee answer all the following questions and sign below:

- Are you (nominee) an active bowler? \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you (nominee) ever been a bowling team captain? \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of years \_\_\_\_\_
- Have you (nominee) ever been a bowling league secretary? \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of years \_\_\_\_\_
- Does your council consistently send teams to the State KC  
Bowling Tournament? \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Teams last year \_\_\_\_\_
- Are you willing to travel to a minimum of three meetings of the State KC  
Bowling Committee each year and take an active role in the Committee?  
This question must be answered with a YES or NO \_\_\_\_\_

**On the reverse side briefly outline why you would like to serve on the State Knights of Columbus Bowling Committee. This will be printed in the 2018 Tournament Booklet that goes out to all team captains.**

Fraternally,  
William (Bill) Plante, Secretary/Treasurer, 1820 Hagen Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495  
715.421-1698 planteb@live.com

NOMINEE \_\_\_\_\_ Please Print \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINEE SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

GK SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

WISCONSIN STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE



July 3, 2017  
Worthy Grand Knight,

**IMPORTANT DATED MATERIAL, PLEASE APPOINT A BOWLING CHAIRMAN.**

The last paragraph of Resolution No. 19 adopted by the delegates at the State Convention held in Madison, WI May 21-22, 1984 reads as follows:

Resolved that the Grand Knight of each Subordinate Council shall on July 1 of each year or as soon as possible thereafter appoint a Bowling Chairman from his Council and forward his name and address to the Secretary of the Wisconsin State Knights of Columbus Bowling Committee, and to whom said Committee and the host tournament committee shall forward all entry blanks, notices and other matters regarding bowling for the information of the Council and its membership.

We therefore request that you expedite this matter at your earliest convenience but in any case no later than September 30, 2017, so that pertinent information relative to the upcoming state tournament in St. Point in the early months of 2018 may reach your Council in time.

Fraternally,

**William (Bill) Plante, State Bowling Committee Secretary/Treasurer**  
1820 Hagen Street  
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495

Council (Name, Number & City)

\_\_\_\_\_

Bowling Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ GK Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## \$2 MILLION WILL HELP RECONSTRUCT AND RESETTLE KARAMDES, A TOWN ON THE NINEVEH PLAIN DESTROYED BY ISIS



Reprint from article on Supreme website—visit [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) to learn how your council can contribute.

In a move that will give many Christians and other religious minorities in Iraq hope for the future, the Knights of Columbus will raise and donate \$2 million to save Karamdes, a predominantly Christian town on the Nineveh Plain which was liberated from ISIS late last year.

The Knights' action will move hundreds of families from minority religious communities in Iraq – especially Christians – back to the homes from which they were evicted by ISIS in summer, 2014.

The Knights' action matches a similar donation by the government of Hungary, which recently donated \$2 million to save another predominantly Christian town, Teleskov. About 1,000 families have now moved back to that town, providing proof that such actions can actually work in returning Christian populations to pre-ISIS levels in the region.

Like the government of Hungary, the Knights will partner in this resettlement and rebuilding effort with the Archdiocese of Erbil, which is currently housing the largest population of Christian refugees in Iraq, including many of the residents of Karamdes.

“The terrorists desecrated churches and graves and looted and destroyed homes,” said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson during his annual report at the Knights of Columbus 135th Supreme Convention. “Now we will ensure that hundreds of Christian families driven from their homes can return to these two locations and help to ensure a pluralistic future for Iraq.”

The Knights are urging K of C councils, parishes or other Church groups, and individuals to help by donating \$2,000 – the approximate cost of resettling one family. Just a thousand such donations would be sufficient to reach the \$2 million goal. The rebuilding work will begin this week and money will begin flowing to the project immediately.

Urging the Knights to get behind this historic new initiative, Anderson paraphrased the words invoked by Winston Churchill in 1940: “Put your confidence in us ... We shall not fail or falter, we shall not weaken or tire. We will give you the tools and together we will finish the job.” In the same report, Supreme Knight Anderson also announced that the K of C would partner with the U.S

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### Knights to Save Destroyed Town

\$2 million will help reconstruct and resettle Karamdes, a town on the Nineveh Plain destroyed by ISIS.

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Conference of Catholic Bishops on a “Week of Awareness” for persecuted Christians beginning Nov. 26.

Since 2014, the Knights’ Christian Refugee Relief Fund has donated more than \$13 million for humanitarian assistance primarily in Iraq, Syria and the surrounding region. The Knights’ documentation of ISIS’ atrocities and advocacy on behalf of Christians and other religious minorities in the Middle East were decisive in the 2016 decision of former U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry to declare as genocide the treatment of Christians and other religious minorities in the region. This designation was reaffirmed by Secretary of State Rex Tillerson last week.

One hundred percent of the money raised will be used for this project. Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a charitable organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Donations can be made at [www.christiansatrisk.org](http://www.christiansatrisk.org) or by calling 1-800-694-5713. Donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus 2017 - 2018 Scheduled Degrees are posted on the State Website!

<http://www.kofcknights.org/StateCouncilSite/degreeSchedule.asp?CN=US&ST=WI>

(Contact State Secretary Jack Wrbanich for help in posting your degrees - [jwrbanich@wikofc.com](mailto:jwrbanich@wikofc.com))

Don’t forget to send in your Form 450 after each Degree to:  
**[membershiprecords@kofc.org](mailto:membershiprecords@kofc.org)**  
**[forms@wikofc.com](mailto:forms@wikofc.com)**  
**General Agent and Field Agent**

*Submit 2nd & 3rd Degree Request Forms to:*

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*[Download your form from the State Website](#)*

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# 2017 - 2018 STATE DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

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Change

**2016-2017 State Officers to 2017-2018 State Officers**

## Page 3

**Bowling** - change "Leon Keding (Gail)" to read "Leon Keding"

## Page 5

### **Milwaukee Archdiocese change Membership**

Michael (Mike) Tennes  
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Slinger, WI 53086  
(920) 979-5798  
sirknichtmichaeltennes@gmail.com

### **Superior Diocese**

Add:

#### **Membership**

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jesloane56@live.com

## Page 6

### **Bowling Committee**

change "Leon Keding (Gail)" to read "Leon Keding"

### **Charity Committee**

Change Mark Kohls phone number to:  
(920) 639-4991  
Change Dennis Berends address to:  
2468 160th Ave.

## Page 26

Council 2984 change **GK Ronald Worachek** to  
**GK Donald Worachek**

## Page 27

Council 1797 Delete **FS Thomas J Vanevenhoven**

Add: **FS William V. Fermanich**

812 W Warren St.  
New London, WI 54961-1664  
(920) 982-3247  
wfermanich@charter.net

Change Council 2990 GK William Leher to  
GK William Letter

## Page 32

Delete Council 5514 GK Michael Bushman  
Add Council 5514

### **GK Richard Gagner**

104 Michael Ave.  
Neenah, WI 54956  
(920) 422-3435  
ragagner@yahoo.com

## Page 33

Delete Council 7732 **FS Donald Ruhland**

Add Council 7732

### **FS Tim Pauly (Sue)**

N7964 Creekside Dr.  
Sharwood, WI 54169  
(920) 740-3455  
tm.pauly59@gmail.com

## Page 34

Council 4807 change email address:  
paulsattler@tm.netz to paulsattler@tm.net

## Page 41

Delete Council 4125 GK Jim Siber  
Add Council 4125

### **GK David Dechant**

3315 Huron Ave.  
Camp Douglas, WI 53618  
(608) 764-0426  
david.dechant@VA.gov

Council 4697

Change email address jandmharnis@centurytel.net

to: jandmharris@centurytel.net

Council 4697 change address

### **FS Orville Semke** to:

125 Rye Bluff Rd. #324  
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Change meeting date for Council 12673 to  
**1st Monday of even number months at 6:30 P.M.**

## Page 42

Council 974 change GK address to:  
228 Trenton Ct.  
Eau Claire, WI 54703

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## Page 43

Change email address johnstubler5.gmail.com to  
jcestubler@hotmail.com  
Change Council 16444 GK address to:  
1027 Caledonia Street  
Holmen, WI 54603

## Page 47

Council 3825 change GK to:  
**GK Eric Barczak**

Council 6789 change FS information to:  
**FS Lawrence Glentz**  
S2888 Alfred Drive  
Fountain City, WI 54629  
(608) 248-3072  
lglentz@centurylink.net

## Page 48

Change Council 10522 meeting date and time to:  
**1st Sunday 9:00 A.M.**

## Page 49

Change DD Joseph Loy email to:  
jkloy@tds.net

## Page 54

Council 11155 FS change address to:  
W2851 Fonda Ln  
Belleville, WI 53508  
(608) 345-8725

## Page 56

Council 4527 change GK address to:  
5198 Wildheather  
Madison, WI 53711

## Page 56

Council 9082 change FS to:  
**FS Richard Rinehart (Jan)**  
18 Cherokee Cir.  
Madison, WI 54704  
(608) 223-9146  
(608) 712-1201  
rdrinehart@charter.net

## Page 62

Change DD Micael Tennis address to:  
520 Kettle Moraine Dr. S  
Slinger, W 53086-9705  
Change Council 7798 GK to read:

## GK Thomas Block (Delia)

Change Council 8817 meeting date & time to:  
**3rd Tuesday, 6:30 P.M.**  
Change Council 12588 meeting date & time to:  
**4th Sunday, 7:00 P.M.**

## Page 65

Change Council 3562 GK email address to:  
mcgiltom@me.com

Change Council 10715 GK to read:  
**GK David Del Ponte (Susan)**

## Page 66

Council 4648 correct zip code for GK Zarling to:  
53072

## Page 67

**Add:**  
**16821 St. Stephen - The Martyr**  
**GK Thomas Ludka**  
4201 W. Central Ave.  
Franklin, WI 53132  
(414) 423-9203  
tludka@wi.rr.com

## Page 68

Delete Council 11657 GK and FS  
Add: **NOT ASSIGNED**

## Page 69

**Council 14362 change FS to read:**

**FS Kenneth Malsack**  
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Kenosha WI, 53140-1656  
(262) 551-7674  
(262) 965-1979  
golfnuts1967@yahoo.com

**Council 16022 change FS to read:**

**FS Edward J. Arndt (Debbie)**  
8221 200th Ave.  
Bristol, WI 53104-9703  
edwardjarndt@gmail.com

## Page 70

Council 6448 change GK email to read:  
bkcleppe@att.net  
Council 13733 change FS phone number to read:  
(414) 418-7587

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## Page 71

Change Council 4520 meeting date and time to read:

**2nd Tuesday, 7:00 P.M.**

Council 6883 replace GK McBettigan to:

**GK Timothy Boberck**

706 N17th St.

Milwaukee, WI 53233

(262) 865-4161

knightsofmarquette@gmail.com

## Page 72

Council 3464 change GK to read:

**GK George Fincutter (Ann)**

Council 364 FS change address to read:

N7357 Cali Dr.

Elkhorn, WI 53121-2647

Council 7048 correct GK to read:

**GK Ward Boldon**

Correct email to read:

wboldon@gmail.com

## Page 73

Council 12677 correct email address of FS to read:

dmetzger52@yahoo.com

Council 14478 correct phone number of GK to read:

(715)304-8262

## Page 75

Council 8172 add phone number to GK

(262) 534-4265

Council 15665 change FS to read:

**FS Mark Mandry**

513 Lewis St.

Burlington, WI 53105

(262) 767-9288

(262) 492-3155

msmandry1127@gmail.com

## Page 77

Council 2845 change email address for GK to:

doug@nr-ins.com

Council 4954 change FS address to:

2468 106th Ave.

## Page 78

Council 2137 change GK phone number to:

(715) 822-2593

Change FS email to: rlsinclair7@gmail.com

Council 9546 change GK phone number to:

(715) 236-3165

Council 9546 change GK email to:

pott12@centurytel.net

Council 9546 change FS email to:

jdeering829@gmail.com

## Page 80

Council 6370 change FS address to:

PO Box 336

Webster, WI 54893

## Page 82

Council 2963 change GK address to:

655 Lake Ave.

Phillips, WI 54555

## Page 83

Change DD James Sloane address to:

PO Box 367

Iron River, WI 54847

Council 16691 change meeting date & time to:

1st Tuesday, 6:30 P.M.

Council 16691 update FS address to:

PO Box 1342

Superior, WI 54880

Add email address to FS Duske:

the22rosaries@gmail.com

## Page 93

Assembly 2275 change FN Eric Little phone numbers to read:

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(920) 342-9457

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St Rachel Feast Day in Cedarburg at St Francis Borgia Church



Hispanic Priest Convention in Milwaukee



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## Wisconsin Knights In Action



Thirty-three Colorful and Patriotic Sir Knights from Milwaukee and Green Bay Assemblies welcomed home 153 WWII, Korean and Vietnam Veterans on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup> aboard the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight from Washington DC. The Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus Marquette Province with Former Masters, SK Ed Vader Bloomen and SK Roland Ransom and lead by Commanders SK Dale Kordylas and SK Jonathan Richter at the Milwaukee Airport to Honor ours returning home veterans from the Honor Flight that took them to the monuments in Washington D.C. for their review in honor and service to our country.



FS/FC Training on 10-14-17



Council members from 13733 in Big Bend and granddaughter Mackenzie doing Life Savers 4 Life.

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**THE WISCONSIN STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT WILL BE RETURNING TO THE NORTHWOODS  
IN 2018!**

**ON SATURDAY JUNE 9TH AND SUNDAY JUNE 10TH , THE FATHER DODGE COUNCIL  
7827 IN WOODRUFF WILL BE HOSTING THE STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT AT TROUT LAKE  
GOLF COURSE IN ARBOR VITAE, WI.**

**MORE INFORMATION WILL BE COMING SOON ON THE  
WI STATE K OF C WEBSITE**

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ST Patrick Reiff had the opportunity to get a photo op with the WELS Lutherans for Life, Executive Director, Peter Georgson at the Pregnancy Help Center.

Council 524 Milwaukee Pere Marquette, recently headed up one of the latest UltraSound Units at this facility in West Allis, this was achieved with the generous support of the Kettle Maraine Council 3562 who donated \$6,000.00 towards the project with funds left over from their UltraSound Project, and the guidance from Brother Knight George Ploof with all the related paperwork required as well, and the matching funds from our Supreme Council

*A Big Thank You to all the members of the various KC Organizations, and private sector donors that helped make this happen.*





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## Wisconsin Knights In Action

### St. Michael's Cemetery

Larry and Ann Scheckel

On a beautiful Saturday morning, September 30, 2017, 150 worshippers gathered at St. Michael's Cemetery at Ridgeville on Highway A, to remember and honor those who have gone before us. Under a cloudless azure blue sky, amid pastoral vistas of corn and soybean fields, in sight of Amish farms and tall silos, they came to honor those early pioneers interred in St. Michael's Cemetery some 150 years ago.

Congregants from the Catholic Churches of St. Michael's at Indian Creek, St. James in Camp Douglas, and Queen of the Apostles Parish in Tomah set up an open-air altar and chairs for the 9:45 a.m. commemorative Mass for the Dead, which was concelebrated by Father Robert Letona-Indian Creek, and Monsignor Richard Gilles-Queen of the Apostles-Tomah.

Theresa Schuh supervised the preparation of the altar. John Ollendick-Indian Creek, was the lector for the mass. Juanita Arttus, organist at St. Michael's-Indian Creek for 34 years, directed the choir members from the three parishes. Pastor Matthew C. Minzlaff, from St. John's Lutheran Church across the road, offered the use of the Church parking lot for the worshippers.

Wenzel Felber, in an opening address, presented a brief summary of the history of St. Michael's Cemetery. The three-acre site was deeded to the parish by Michael and Teresa Englith in 1863. A St. Michael's Catholic Church was built on the site in 1867. Eventually the church was destroyed. Over the years, St. Michael's Cemetery deteriorated, a combination of vandalism, fallen trees, overgrown scrubs, and dumped garbage. Mr. Felber



commended Bill Roy for mowing the Cemetery for many years.

John Ollendick of Indian Creek Parish, was the impetus for the restoration project. He got the whole process started when he stated at a meeting a few years back, "We've got to make St. Michael's Cemetery a proper resting place." And so it began.

Members of the Tomah Knights of Columbus Council #4125 labored for 18 months to accomplish the transformation, cutting up downed trees, removing stumps, debris and overgrowth, leveling the ground, reseeding, straightening tilted tombstones, piecing together broken markers, and creating new foundations for markers, and cementing them into place.

In the cemetery, there were 70 markers. Of these seventy, 58 burial sites were identified, however, twelve markers remain. An ongoing effort is being made by Jim Weinzatl, Director of the Tomah History Museum,

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to match the remaining markers to their appropriate burial sites.

One of the attendees was Margaret McDaniel. Her great-aunt, Florah Prochaska, born in 1878 and died five months later, is buried on the western edge of the cemetery. Florah's brother, Adolph Prochaska, born in 1879, and died the next year, 1880, at age six months, lies buried beside her. Frank and Anna Prochaska lost two children in quick succession.

Several young people, as well as a Civil War Veteran, are interred in St. Michael's Cemetery. It speaks to the time when medical facilities and practices were in a primitive state, and life was cut short by numerous bacterial infections, influenza, appendicitis, and farm accidents.

The Tomah Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Honor Guard was led by Tim Genthe, past State Deputy and Master of the Western Wisconsin District,

and Jack Grzywacz, former Master of the Western District, and Tomah Captain of the Guard, Phil Schreiner. The Honor Guard escorted Father Letona and Monsignor Gilles to the altar, while the worshippers sang four verses of "Amazing Grace."

The Gospel reading was from John 6:37-40 and concluded with the poignant ending "For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day." In his special homily, Father Letona quoted Aldous Huxley and David Thoreau. "Even with our modern technology, people say they have no time, they are too busy. Faith and religion do not seem as important as it did to those that we honor here today. In some ways we may envy the dead", asserted Father Letona.

Father Letona mentioned the Hall of Remembrance in Jerusalem, where names of the millions murdered in Hitler's Third Reich are being inscribed. Father Letona invoked the second reading from Thessalonians 4:13-18, "They, and those in this Cemetery, are spiritually alive."

Partway through the sermon, the rhythmic clip-clop of a horse pulling an Amish buggy on the highway directly behind the congregation could be heard. Pairs of birds landed in the maples. Butterflies flitted aimlessly. A hornet dove toward Monsignor Gilles, but was smartly rebuffed. A brisk wind whistled through nearby pines. Bright green cornstalks behind the altar contrasted with the bright blue of the sky. This is rural Wisconsin.

Father Letona closed his homily by quoting from Thomas Jefferson's letter to friend John Adams, both men in the twilight of their lives, "We know our time is near, but we look forward to an ecstatic meeting

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with the friends we have loved and lost, and whom we shall still love and never lose again.”

In the time-honored tradition of the Catholic Church, the gifts of bread and wine were processed to the altar. The rite was carried out by KC State Secretary Jack Wrbanich and his Lady Knight, Lisa. They traveled from Green Bay to be a part of this special day. The Offertory hymn was aptly entitled “Sing With All the Saints in Glory.” The gifts and altar were honored with incense, signifying their sacrificial character. The Communion song was “Gift of Finest Wheat.”

Following the Mass, as the choir sang, “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”, Knights of Columbus members placed a deep red rose on every grave. These roses were graciously donated by Linda Capaul from JJ’s Floral.

Dave Dechant, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus Tomah Council 4125, acknowledged the state KC officials who attended. On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, he thanked businesses that had donated materials; Brian Buswell from the All-American Do-It Center, John Brady Excavating, Dean Zellmer Excavating, and Brenner Stainless Steel.

The procession from the altar, led by a cross bearer and two servers and followed by the Knights Honor Guard, was accompanied by the worshippers singing four verses of “How Great Thou Art.”

Verse 2 is especially fitting for this outdoor Mass for the Dead, honoring those early pioneers who brought a deep and abiding faith to the hills and valleys of Monroe County:

*“When through the woods, and forest glades I wander,  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees*

*When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur  
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.”*

In the very fitting words of Father Letona: “We pray for those who have gone before us, they need our prayers, and we know they can pray for us. The souls in purgatory need our prayers. When they died and when we die there is no moral perfection. Every act of ceremony is an act of devotion, an act of purification. This is a beautiful and restful place. Today we take time to remember and pray for them. They are not forgotten by God, and they are not forgotten by us.”

Through this selfless project of transformation and resurrection of St. Michael’s Cemetery, these precious souls have been honored. They have been remembered.



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Paul Steffensmeier, CFO, Rawhide, SA Jack Wrbanich (presenting check to Rawhide), Tre Waldren, Development Manager, Rawhide & Grand Knight Council 16729 and Heather Stern, Development Director, Rawhide

Knights of Columbus emblem that the Assemblies in Area 2 of the Eastern District of Wisconsin purchased and had attached to the crypt front for SK Erwin "Erv" Jankowiak at Saint Adalbert's Cemetery.



Area 2 Officers who were responsible for placing medallion on SK Erv Jankowiak's crypt

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