

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus
Notes
September 2018



Greetings and salutations to September! This is a month of transitions. Summer breaks turn into school semesters. Summer turns into fall. But as we all know Wisconsin State Council, there are no extended breaks, and nothing just falls into place. The good works we do for our parishes, communities and councils are critical to our mission and is 24/7/365, as is our commitment to the Order. Delivering quality programs and charitable outreach must always be a priority throughout the duration of every activity we do. How do we show this commitment?

The first time is at the start of a new members introduction to the Order – our ceremonials. This is our opportunity to shape the new member going forward. It’s up to each of us to genuinely understand our new member’s needs, know how to work with the member to serve those needs. Likewise, we need to treat our parishes, communities and council members the same, manage expectations within the scope of our mission, while anticipating potential changes and problems, be prepared to adapt to their needs and earn their trust and confidence.

Second, our Knights must provide distinction and create added value for our parishes, communities and council members. This includes learning what their needs are and innovating our Councils next generation of tools and solutions. We must show our Parishes, Communities and Council membership that we have great services they need from us again and again.

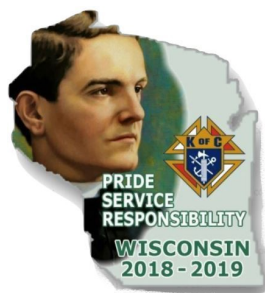
Finally, we have to leave an outstanding last impression. As we can turn to St Josemaria founder of Opus Dei and say “Nunc Coepi! — Now I begin! Every day is a new beginning, a beginning ever more frequent than the beginning of the year. Every morning becomes an opportunity to be able to wake up, always with a light of hope. Just as every morning is a chance to renew ourselves, so too is every roadblock and detour we encounter. “Nunc coepi!” can serve us well while we build our Order in Wisconsin

Persistent focus on our success. Relentless delivery of outstanding performance. An enduring commitment ... and integrity and good character in all we do. This is how the Wisconsin State Council does business. And business is not like the hundred-yard dash. It’s like a marathon that never ends. And we never take a break from it!

Nunc Coepi!
Vivat Jesus!
Viva Cristo Rey!

Jack Wrbanich
Wisconsin State Council
Knights of Columbus
State Deputy

See more from our Worthy State Deputy on the next page





Greetings Brother Knights!

Well it's been a whirlwind since convention!

Lisa and I attended the State Deputy orientation meeting in New Haven last month and we are happy to report that we survived. We were treated and saw some of the interworking's of 1 Columbus Plaza. For me the highlight of the trip was the installation at St. Mary's Parish, the birthplace of the Knights. Walking past Fr. McGivney tomb and stepping down-stairs into the basement where our Order was founded was truly inspiring.

I want to thank IPSD Tim Guski and Angi for their support and friendship over the years. IPSD Tim 'Medics of Devine Mercy' has set our jurisdiction on a course that we can build upon and has given us tools to utilize as we implement Supreme Council's 'Faith in Action' program model. If you have not heard, our new State Chaplain is Father Cyril Guise, former Archdiocesan Chaplain from Holy Hill. Please welcome Father to the team. Your new team of State Officers are in place and ready to service our councils. State Sectary Patrick Reiff will remain as the Milwaukee Archdiocese go to guy, State Treasure Michael Tomsyck will be overseeing the growth in La Crosse, State Advocate John Huttenhoff takes over in Madison while our youngest state officer, SW Corey Coonen will take the helm in Green Bay, leaving our IPSD Tim Guski in Superior. PSD Ron Faust will be staying on as he keeps building up our membership team. The "Professor" Bill Frayer has agreed to remain on as State Programs Director.

Please welcome aboard a couple of our newest Directors and Coordinators: Rufino Arce from Waunakee has stepped in a new position as our Hispanic Council Development Coordinator; Joseph Uchtyl from Hortonville will be our new Family Director taking over duties from longtime coordinator Larry Julson. Larry, thank you for the many years of service to the jurisdiction. Did you know that Larry was responsible for several Wisconsin Families of the Year winners to be recognized by Supreme Council?

Couple of other gentlemen that you will be hearing from are: DD Miles Casey, who will be helping the Professor with State Youth Athletic events; DD Paul Quigley heading up our Online Membership and DD Michael Tennes Young Adult Outreach. All three pulling double duty helping our state councils. Also, recently added, Former District Deputies Norb Dekeuster who has been assigned as our State Membership Retention chairman and Jim Sloane Council Activation and Superior Membership. Thank you, gentlemen!

We will be seeing some changes coming from Supreme about programs. Surge for Service is out, it has been replaced by "Faith in Action". Read State Program Director column in this month's notes. Also, make sure you read State Membership Directors Ron's notes on membership. While Lisa and I were out in New Haven for our State Deputy workshops we learned that Wisconsin placed tenth out of seventy plus jurisdiction in charitable contributions last year, topping \$4.4 million dollars! What a testament to our Councils good works. Thank you.

District Deputies will be in Marshfield June 6-7 for our summer organizational meeting and installation of new our new District Deputies. As I write this we have six open Districts in the State. Grand Knights, please canvas your members for anyone who maybe interested in stepping into this role. Anther State position we are looking for is a Public Relations person.

Finally, I want to say, Lisa and I are looking forward to working with you over the next couple of years, we are truly humbled by the opportunity and support we have received. Your team of officers, District Deputies, Directors and Coordinators are standing by ready to make next year even better than last.

Thank you for all you do to make this the best jurisdiction in the order.

Nunc Coepi!
Vivat Jesus!
Viva Cristo Rey!
Jack Wrbanich
State Deputy

Life Savers for Life



Dear Brother Knights and Ladies,
I would like to thank our Worthy State Deputy, Jack Wrbanich and Culture of Life Director Daniel Miller for giving me the opportunity once again to serve as your State Life Savers for Life Chairman.

My primary responsibility as Chairman will be to grow the Life Savers for Life Program. Last year we had 66 councils run this program. This represents about 22% of all councils in Wisconsin.

Your efforts helped raise nearly \$25,000 which is distributed to the Respect Life organizations of your choosing in every part of the state. Nearly \$8500 went to the Culture of Life Account.

Some that were supported through this program are "Life Connection, Care Net, Women's Care Center, Women's Support Center and there are many more.

We would love to see all the councils run this program, but the goal for 2018-2019 is to get 80+ councils to support this program. I know we can do it.

This is an easy to run fundraiser. The program is patterned after the very successful "Tootsie Roll" fund raiser with its own wraps that can be used on the same canisters.

Lifesavers were offered to councils in partial case counts- which helped many councils participate for the first time.

The order forms for Life Savers for Life can be found on the state web-site. The Program Report form was revised and we hope it's a LITTLE easier to use.

Grand Knights and District Deputies, the Life Savers for Life order form was due by August 1, 2018. The Life Savers for Life Master Order Form was due by August 15, 2018. Questions, Call Roland Ransom 262-441-1306.

There is one more report that needs to be completed and it's very important; Lifesavers4Life Program Report.

This report can also be found on the State web-site.

Councils.

Parts I and II are filled out by the council and I, fill out Part III. It's imperative that councils give to the Culture of Life Account.

The Culture of Life has many Grant Request and every dollar generated from the Life Savers for Life Program helps support these grant requests.

At the recent state convention we were told that Order Wide there are over 950 ultrasound units in place. In Wisconsin we will soon have "28" purchased and delivered in Wisconsin. Wisconsin is a leader in this program. We are saving Life's.

As Dan Miller said, creating a "Culture of Life" in Wisconsin is an ongoing mission.

Thank you to all 66 councils who participated in this program. I know this year will even be more successful.

"Caring is our business" Life Savers for Life, Helping protect an unborn Child's right to Life.

God Bless

Roland Ransom II

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State Secretary - Editor Comments

Brother Knights,

I am happy to say that I have finally finished creating the new State Directory & it has been printed and will be available at the upcoming Diocesan meetings in your area this month.

In this newsletter for September, you will notice some articles that reference July & August information as well as current month information.

I purposely added these so that the info posted was still shared by the hard working coordinators who had submitted the info on time for the prior months publications.

Going forward, my goal is to get this newsletter out at the beginning of the month, and with that in mind,

I would need your articles by the 20th of the month prior to publication.

We are also looking to create a list of regular monthly article contributors for the Newsletter. If you can submit a monthly article for your assigned areas, let me know & I will create a place for your report.

Send your articles to preiff@gmail.com

Patrick Reiff State Secretary

Safe Environment

Safe Environment Changes

The new Fraternal Year brought significant changes to the Safe Environment Program that all Councils should be aware of. These changes are being made to ensure that we Protect Kids.

The first change, is that at all KofC events involving minors under the age of 18, at least 2 members trained in Safe Environment must be present at all times, and at least one of these members must have completed a Background Check.

This requirement applies to many Council sponsored events, including Punt Pass and Kick, Soccer Challenge, Coats for Kids, Family Events, Free Throw Contests, Poster Contests, Knowledge Contests, Essay Contests, Keep Christ in Christmas, etc. Meeting this requirement will require planning by the Council to ensure the properly trained and background checked members are present at these events.

Please keep this in mind as you do your program planning.

The second change, Safe Environment training is now required of all Grand Knights, Program Directors, Family Directors, and Community Directors, and Background Checks are required of all Family Directors and Community Directors. Training must be completed within 30 days of these individuals being sent the training link and login information. This is mandatory for all Councils.

Actions that each Council should take to ensure they are Compliant with the Safe Environment Program.

Have the Financial Secretary update the e-mail addresses in Member Management for all Council Officers and Directors. These e-mail addresses are used by Supreme to communicate with these members, including communication of the links and login information for the Safe Environment Training.

Submit Form 185 by July 1 to indicate the Officers Selected for the Fraternal Year.

As of August 15, about 20% of the Councils in Wisconsin still had not submitted this form. If you have not yet submitted this form, do it now. If you have changes to any officers during the Fraternal Year, submit an update.

Submit Form 365 by August 1 to indicate the Service Program Personnel, including the Program Director, Family Director, and Community Director. As of August 15, less than half of the Councils in Wisconsin have submitted this form.

If you have not yet submitted this form, do it now. When appointing these Directors, you may want to take note where the old Youth Programs ended up in the new Faith

in Action program areas. If you have changes to any of these Directors throughout the Fraternal Year, be sure to submit an updated Form 365.

Once Supreme has the Form 185 and Form 365, Safe Environment Training will be assigned to the Grand Knight, Program Director, Family Director, and Community Director. This should occur within about 2 weeks of when the Forms are received at Supreme.

Once the training is assigned, these individuals should receive an e-mail from TBD with the Link to the Training, as well as a Username and Password. The Login information is specific to individuals and should not be shared. Training must then be completed within 30 days. The Training is online training and takes about 2 hours to complete.

For the Family Director and Community Director, once training has been completed, they will receive information on how to authorize the Background Check.

Please keep in mind that all of the above steps take time. If you are running youth activities in the fall, you need to take care of this prior to the events. Grand Knights should have administrative access to reports to check that their Council Directors have completed their Safe Environment Training and Background Checks.

John Huttenhoff State Advocate

Wisconsin K of C State Charity Raffle

The raffle tickets and instructions will be distributed at the September Diocesan meetings! We were late last year and thought we would make it up to you by being really early this year! Your District Deputy will get the packets at the meeting and will distribute them. Start selling early and set a goal to sell more than last year. This year, the \$50,000 alternative will be a Ford F150 XLT!

Council checks from the 2017-2018 raffle sales are being distributed at the Diocesan meetings as well. The average profit returned was \$2.49 per ticket sold, about the same as last year, despite 3% less sales state-wide.

Lastly, I wanted to pass on some education regarding fire checks. You should NOT fill out a Charity Request form to request a \$300 check for someone who has had a house or apartment fire. Rather, you simply call the state office and ask for a fire check to be sent. Tony Schreiner will need their name and address and a check will be sent within about a day; that's it! There are no questions about need.

Where Does The Charity Money Go Example Charity Grants * in 2017-2018

Each year over \$400,000 is given to charitable causes throughout Wisconsin. Below are five (5) examples from each Diocese where the state grants were given. They represent about 200 grants at the state level each year; your local council can provide other examples.

Green Bay Diocese

\$1500 to 61 year old woman with myeloma in her vertebrae.
\$2000 for an 18 month old with a tumors on her organs.
\$1500 to 77 year old widow who could not afford hail damage.
\$1500 to 11 year old boy with organ problems.
\$1000 for a 22 year woman who needs extensive rehab from a car accident.

La Crosse Diocese

\$1500 to mother of five for bone cancer costs.
\$1500 for woman with ovarian cancer
\$2500 to graduate student hit on sidewalk by impaired uninsured driver
\$1500 for deductibles from a brain tumor.
\$1250 for a lift to get a child with Cerebral Palsy in and out of bed and tub, wheel chair ramp, modifications to doorways.

Madison Diocese

\$2000 to 14 year old with a mental illness threatening her life.
\$1000 to pay for materials for a wheel chair ramp that was built by Knights.
\$2000 to RN with rare medical issues that prevent her from working.
\$1000 to 41 year old with cancer in nasal area.
\$2000 to man paralyzed in a car accident.

Milwaukee Diocese

\$1500 to a youth minister who had a lung transplant.
\$1000 for wheel chair van to a person with Parkinson's.
\$500 for deductibles from rotator surgery.
\$2000 to a 64 year old injured from falls and unable to work.
\$2500 to mother of with a brain aneurism and unable to work.

Superior Diocese

\$1000 for a homeless man who lost his leg to gangrene.
\$1000 to a widow and mother of two children who lost her husband to a tree accident.
\$3000 to 11 month old with seizures.
\$1500 for funeral costs of a child.
\$1200 for man out of work due to hip replacement.

*** A partial list of Charity Grants.**

Thank you again for your Charity work!

Mark Kohls, WI Charity Committee Director.

INTELECTUAL DISABILITIES

The Helping People with Intellectual Disabilities had another great year in 2017-18.

As a State we hit another record with the amount collected with \$726,736.49, which is almost a 1% increase over the record we set last year.

Superior set a record high for their collection amount with an amazing 5% increase, La Crosse increased by 3% and Green Bay 2% in the amount they collected.

The councils that lead the way in each diocese were:

Green Bay-Abbott Penning Council, 3955, DePere, \$15,657.05
La Crosse-George J. Schreier Council, 1069, Wausau, \$13,150.00
Madison - Madison Council, 531, Madison, \$7,057.13
Milwaukee-Father Casper Rehr Council, 1964, West Bend, \$14,051.71
Superior-Father Dodge Council, 7827, Woodruff, \$10,004.00
Green Bay-Immaculate Heart of Mary Council, 4671, Crivitz, \$88.88 per member
La Crosse-Holy Family Council, 4697, Black River Falls, \$79.90 per member
Madison-Madison Council, 531, Madison, \$66.58 per member
Milwaukee-Ozaukee Council, 2035, Port Washington, \$88.59 per member
Superior-Father Phillip Gordon Council, 6370, Frederic, \$75.58 per member

The below councils all increased their collection by over \$1000:

Green Bay: 1838 Menasha, 4439 Pulaski, 4489 Kimberly, 4505 Green Bay, 10260 Flintville
La Crosse: 1799 Marshfield, 1840 Prairie du Chien, 3492 Richland Center, 4125 Tomah, 7096 Cashton, 10914 Onalaska
Madison: 1864 Jefferson, 4549 Middleton, 6371 Waunakee, 9082 Madison, 15229 Cambridge, 16863 Madison
Milwaukee: 722 Sheboygan, 2035 Port Washington, 3702 Wauwatosa, 4106 Union Grove, 4240 Menomonie, 4706 Whitefish Bay, 16821 Oak Creek
Superior: 1762 Hudson, 2639 Park Falls, 2845 New Richmond, 6587 Hayward

The below councils all increased their collection by over \$10 per member:

Green Bay: 4489 Kimberly, 4505 Green Bay, 10260 Flintville, 12185 Keshena, 12793 Plainfield
La Crosse: 1840 Prairie du Chien, 7096 Cashton, 12467 Polonia, 12662 Nekoosa/ Port Edwards
Madison: 15229 Cambridge
Milwaukee: 2035 Port Washington, 4106 Union Grove
Superior: 2639 Park Falls, 6587 Hayward, 6702 Washburn, 6754 Chetek, 12609 Balsam Lake/Centuria

Amazing work by these Council and the entire Order!

Thank you for all your support and dedication to this project which truly services as a Pillar of the Order.

Mark Jelinek
WI KC ID Director



Programs

Brothers,

By now, I hope that you have had your meeting with your pastor and parish leadership staff as well as your 2017-18 program evaluation and 2018-19 program planning officers/directors meeting. These will allow you to arrange your program and mem-

bership recruiting strategies to mesh with the priority needs of you pastor and parish. You should also have participated in your District Meeting with your District Deputy and been introduced to the new membership strategies and new Faith in Action program model which Supreme has initiated for the 2018-19 Fraternal Year.

With on-line membership and the Faith in Action program, we want to bring in younger members, activate them as well as our present members and their families within their parishes. We have to be concerned and act in order to maintain the long-term sustainability of our Order! "The Faith in Action model is a realization of the changing needs of men in the 21st Century. It seeks to balance all our key priorities with theirs - Faith, Family, Community and Life... It fully integrates the Building the Domestic Church programs (with our featured programs), limits the number of required programs to earn the Columbian Award and allows Councils to concentrate on implementing quality faith-filled family programs. Our goal is for **men to lead their family in service - not leave their family for service!** The focus is on quality, not quantity."

As we fully implement the Faith in Action program over the next few months, I am going to highlight important aspects of the program in this column, beginning with its effects on the Forms 185 and 365, and Columbian Award Form. Note that for this year's Officer Report, due July 1, the Chaplain and Lecturer are now listed there, instead of on the 365. Be sure you've submitted a proper, new Form 185 to Supreme for this fraternal year.

Secondly, the Faith in Action program has eliminated the previous Council and Youth Director positions. Those programs have been folded in to the Family and Community areas of the model and are now the responsibility of the Family and Community Directors. The new Form 365 reflects this change (due August 1). Councils need to file a new, completed Form 365 with Supreme, soon if not done already.

This requires that a Family and Community Director must be listed and that they complete the Praesidium Child Safety Training within 30 days of the receipt of the e-mail notice that they will receive. They also must have a background check. (The Grand Knight and Program Director also must do the training, but do not need the background check.) **These are all required to be done to earn Star Council** - the goal of all Councils. More will be discussed about this on the Diocesan Tour in September.

The Columbian Award Form for 2018-19 will also be significantly changed with the Youth and Council categories being removed. Councils will now be needing 4 activities/programs in 4 categories (Faith, Family, Community, Life) for a total of 16, instead of the 24 needed previously. Eight suggested programs are listed by Supreme in each area, 9 of them being new programs. Councils are not required to do all or a majority of them if they have quality State or local programs in each of the 4 areas (Spiritual Reflection Program, Consecration to the Holy Family, Helping Hands and Novena for Life). More on these and the other programs in the months ahead and on the Diocesan Tour.

Finally, the entire Faith in Action guide book, Faith in Action Frequently Asked Questions and 1-page fact sheets about each of the 32 Supreme programs that encompass the Faith in Action model can be downloaded off the Supreme website! Arrangements are being made for Councils to be able to purchase on a limited basis copies of the entire set that DDs receive. Cost and details will be announced, hopefully in August.

Have a great August and good luck in your summer programming. Remember to show KC "Pride, Service and Responsibility" in all you do. Nunc Caepi - We Begin Again!

**Fraternally,
Bill Frayer
State Program Director**



Faith In Action – Family

Hello Brother Knights!

My name is Joe Uchtyl and I am your State Family Coordinator. My goal in these monthly newsletter articles is to provide information on the Family programs that are part of the new Faith In Action program.

There is a lot to cover, so let's get started.

Council Family Director

All councils should select a knight to fill the Family Director role and submit their name to Supreme on form 365. It is critical to include an accurate email address as Supreme will send them an email containing a link to Safe Environment Training and another link to grant permission to do a background check. These links expire in 30 days so please encourage the knight to click on the links as soon as possible after receiving the email.

Columbian Award – Family Category

The Columbian award requirements has been simplified to reflect the changing priorities of the new Faith In Action program. There are now 4 categories with 4 category points each. The required Family program is **Consecration to the Holy Family**.

Consecration to the Holy Family

This required Columbian Award program is easy to implement as you only need distribute prayer cards before mass and have either the priest or a knight leads the prayer just before closing. This is ideally celebrated on the weekend after Christmas. Since this is an Order wide required program, it would be wise for councils to order their cards early to beat the rush.

Details: <https://kofc.org/uns/en/forms/programs/10605%206-18%20Consecration%20Holy%20Family%20SS.pdf>

Our Marriage Prayer

This is a Wisconsin program that also qualifies for a Columbian Award category point for either the Family or Faith categories. It is ideally celebrated on World Marriage Sunday, the second Sunday of February (February 9th, 2019). It is an easy program to implement as the prayer is lead after communion and prayer cards are handed out after mass. Order the prayer cards this fall if possible.

Details: <http://www.ourmarriageprayer.com/Knights-of-Columbus>

Family of the Month

In June, there were 15 FOM submitted to Supreme. Each month, Supreme randomly selects 100 families from the submissions.

The June Wisconsin winning councils were

4125 – Tomah Council

7030 – Heart of St. Croix, Hammond

12588 – St. Peter Council, Slinger

Faith In Action – Family continued

Each monthly winning family will receive a beautiful Holy Family gift, along with a personal letter of congratulations from Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson. These will be sent directly to the families at their home addresses.

The June Wisconsin Family of the Month Winners are

Diocese	Council	Family	Comments
Green Bay	2478	Michael and Linda Wember	
La Crosse	3249	Random	State did not receive any forms
Madison	11155	Random	State did not receive any forms
Milwaukee	12588	Mitch and Kate Gehring	
Superior	7827	Ray and Cathy Knapstein	

Gentlemen! Let's set a goal where each council will select at least one FOM before the end of 2018. Doing so will allow a family to be selected as the Council Family of the Year and can then be submitted for consideration for higher recognition at the diocesan, state and international levels.

Deadlines – Submit July FOM to Supreme by August 15 **and send a copy to forms@wikofc.com**

Details - <http://kofcknights.org/States/Family%20rev%2008202014.pdf>

Family Week

As stated in the guide, “Dedicate a week to celebrate our families. Councils plan a special week for their parish celebrating family life. Activities presented in this program will strengthen the parish community and affirm the central importance of Catholic family life.”

The requirement to celebrate Family Week during August has been lifted so it can be celebrated any time throughout the fraternal year.

Details: <https://kofc.org/uns/en/forms/programs/10609%205-18%20Family%20Week%20SS.pdf>

July 2018 Diocesan Families of the Month

It is my privilege to share with you the July 2018 Diocesan Families of the Month!

Diocese	Families Submitted	Family	Council
Green Bay	5	David and Marvel Abts	1957 - Mother of Good Hope Council
La Crosse	4	Roman and Doris Dahlke	5488 - Msgr. John R. McGinley Council
Madison	4	Brad and Kelly Koenig	4392 - Our Lady of the Dells Council
Milwaukee	3	Dennis and Nila Laskaskie	16821 - St Stephen the Martyr Council
Superior	5	Eugene and Sarrah Sirianni	2137 - Rev. C.F. Schmitt Council
Total	21		

Faith In Action – Family Continued

A family submitted this month is worthy of special recognition and I would invite all to congratulate them with me.

They are the family of **Alan and Mary Laylan from the La Crosse Diocese, 4125 – Tomah Council.**

Not only were they in 2nd place for being the La Crosse Diocesan winner, their son Kyle Laylan was ordained a priest in June 2018.

Thank you, Alan and Mary for raising such an amazing family and encouraging Kyle to become a priest!

All families submitted are truly amazing families which makes choosing a diocesan family of the month extremely difficult.

To help the family selection process, I will be sharing more information very soon on how we can improve the process. More to come.

When submitting your Family of the Month form to Supreme, please remember:

Use the new Supreme form <https://kofc.org/un/en/resources/programs/family-of-the-month-year/10668-family-of-the-month-form.pdf>

Send a copy to forms@wikofc.com so they can be considered for the Diocesan Family of the Month.

The Faith In Action guide book, frequently asked questions and a program summary page for each of the programs can be found at <https://kofc.org/FaithInAction> website.

Vivat Jesus!
SK Joe Uchytel
State Family Coordinator
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The marriages we will treasure more than our own will be those of our children and grandchildren

INSURANCE

Have You Insured Your Most Valuable Asset?

Is your income protected if you become sick or injured and cannot work? Your ability to work and earn an income is your most valuable asset. Yet a disability could prevent you from earning that income. Just one year of a disability could eliminate your savings.

Income Armor, an individual disability income insurance product from the Knights of Columbus, should be a key part of your overall financial plan and family's protection.

If you are ill or injured, Income Armor provides tax-free monthly benefits to help you meet living expenses and maintain you and your family's standard of living. Your monthly benefits help you pay your mortgage and other monthly bills, while your savings and retirement assets remain intact.

In short, if you have a job and don't have a way to protect that paycheck, you should seriously consider Income Armor today. We look forward to meeting with you.



For four consecutive years, the Knights of Columbus has been designated a “World’s Most Ethical Company” by the Ethisphere Institute, and is one of only a handful of companies in the insurance industry to have earned the honor.

The “World’s Most Ethical Company” evaluation is a comprehensive assessment of all aspects of a business’ operation, including its corporate citizenship and responsibility, its culture of ethics, its governance, and its leadership, innovation, and reputation.



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

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

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

(Contact State Treasurer Mike Tomsyck for help in posting your degrees)

Don't forget to send in your Form 450 after each Degree to:
membershiprecords@kofc.org
forms@wikofc.com
General Agent and Field Agent

Submit 2nd & 3rd Degree Request Forms to:

Contact SK Michael Jordan 920.858-7709 e-mail: michael.jordan@luvata.com

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

State Newsletter & Badger Bulletin submissions are due to State Secretary Patrick Reiff

By the 20th of the month prior to publication

Email submissions to preiff@gmail.com

Badger Bulletin



Wisconsin Knights In Action



Please welcome your State Officers for the new Fraternal Year 2018—2018

Front left to right:

Wisconsin's Worthy State Deputy, SK Jack Wrbanich, in charge of the entire Wisconsin Jurisdiction

Worthy Immediate Past State Deputy, State Officer in charge of Superior Diocese, SK Timothy Guski.

Worthy State Secretary, State Officer in charge of the Milwaukee Archdiocese, SK Patrick Reiff,

Worthy State Advocate, Officer in charge of the Madison Diocese, SK John Huttenhoff,

Worthy State Treasurer, Officer in charge of the La Crosse Diocese, SK Michael Tomsyck,

Worthy State Warden, Officer in charge of the Green Bay Diocese, SK Corey Coonen

Missing from group photo, **Worthy State Chaplain**, Reverend Cyril Guise shown below



Welcome Our New Worthy Wisconsin State Chaplain, Reverend Cyril Guise,

Reverend Guise previously served as our Milwaukee Archdiocese Chaplain, and is now assisting the State as his time permits with Church, Vocations, Culture of Life, Family, and Faith development programs for the Wisconsin State Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Reverend Guise succeeds our previous Worthy State Chaplain, Very Reverend Richard Heilman, who has served his term in Wisconsin with distinction and very inspirational religious leadership to us all.



Wisconsin Knights In Action



The Calumet County Councils of the Knights of Columbus have teamed together to purchase and install a new Pro Life message on their billboard located about 6 miles west of Chilton on Hwy 151. These Councils are Kiel, New Holstein, Chilton and Tri-Parish (Hilbert, Sherwood, St. John & Stockbridge). L to R: John Klinzing Grand Knight New Holstein, Dan Miller State Director Pro Life Wisconsin, Paul Schneider Chilton, Don Ziegelbauer Chilton, Herb Buhl Deputy Grand Knight Chilton.



Wisconsin Knights In Action



Winner, Denny Marach of Msgr. Blecha Council 2055, Menomonie, WI – District 21

World Meeting of Families that was held in Dublin Ireland.

One picture is with my wife Cindy and I with the Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, and the other is a group picture of the ten winners of the Dublin drawing with Carl Anderson, Patrick Kelly, Gary Morrissey, Scott Read, and Mark McMullen all from the Supreme Council.

I wanted to share our joy with the rest of the Knights in Wisconsin. I was both honored and humbled for being chosen. It pays to recruit! I found that out first hand this summer when I received a call from the Supreme Council to let me know that I was one of the ten winners of the Dublin Ireland recruitment drawing.

I recruited 7 men to join our order between Dec. 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 and for each new member my name was put in the drawing. I forgot about the drawing and just went about doing my Grand Knight job which obviously is recruiting and many other tasks.

The trip was outstanding! The Supreme Council went over the top to reward us. The food and accommodations were fabulous, the scenery and sites were amazing. Our time at The World Meeting of Families was interesting.

Interacting with Brother Knights from across the nation and Canada was a great experience

The closing celebration at Croke Stadium was our best opportunity to see Pope Francis in his Pope mobile (the Pope golf cart), yes, the POPE!

The crowd of 82,500 in the stadium was positive, warm, and welcoming.

God provided a rain free day for the event. Sunday's final Mass with 150,000 at Phoenix Park was very rainy before the Pope arrived but still a great experience.

I was both honored and humbled to be chosen for the trip and represent the state of Wisconsin.

Thanks,
Denny Marach

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Wisconsin Knights In Action

Our Youth in Action through the Support of the Knights of Columbus Council 5514



The Knights of Columbus Council 5514, Neenah where invited to attend a special thank you dinner at St. Joseph Parish in Sturgeon Bay July 15 for their financial support and prayers to the youth from Neenah who went to Houston, Texas as volunteers to help clean you the mess from hurricane Harvey. There was 50 youths from the Green Bay Dioceses who made the trip

