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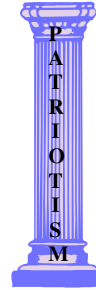


# Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes - April 2015

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Editor: Timothy J. Guski

## Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus - 114th Annual Meeting and Convention Radisson Hotel & Conference Center - Green Bay, Wisconsin, Ron Faust, State Deputy Presiding

State Deputy Ron Faust welcomed Knights and their families to the Convention. Opening Mass, honoring Military and Civil Emergency Services personnel, was presided over by Green Bay Diocesan Chaplain Fr. Andrew Kurz, followed, by a Welcome, Civic Opening and Awards Ceremony including Greetings from Green Bay Mayor James J. Schmitt. The 114th Annual Meeting was highlighted by Tom Smith, Chief Executive Officer of Knights of Columbus Insurance. The Memorial Mass, offered for deceased Knights, including Past State Deputies, John W. Hanlon and Austin C. Baxter was celebrated with Bishop David L. Ricken presiding and concelebrants Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKI, Bishop Robert C. Morlino and State Chaplain Very Reverend Richard M. Heilman. Saturday evenings State Deputy's Banquet was highlighted by the announcement of the State Family of the year from Janesville, the Kevin and Rebecca O'Leary Family and the announcement the top Councils St. Croix Council 1762 - Hudson, Fr. Mark Mueller Council 9230 - Janesville and Monsignor Bier Council 10905 - Ridgeway/Barneveld.

### State Deputy's Message



My Dear Brother Knights,

With this newsletter article I could share with you many things about how your state team is serving you above and beyond all reasonable expectations. They are a truly amazing team and we are very blessed to have their service to our jurisdiction. For the sake of brevity I will spare you the details, but I do want to mention two things about that and then repeat a theme expressed many times before.

1) Who do you think of when you read "state team"? I hope your concept of the state team includes Brothers Dan Baxter, Ed Knolmayer, Joseph Molosky, and Ken Sosnowski. These General Agents and their Field Agents contribute to our success in very significant ways. Both membership and programs benefit enormously from their contributions. Just this last weekend at the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification there were some informal conversations about what it means to be a "Full Knight." There is good reason to stake a claim that full knighthood is achieved when one receives the lesson of Patriotism in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. There is also good reason to stake a claim that only insurance members are full knights! Of course, we are not at liberty to redefine full knighthood. That has been defined by our Supreme Council as a Knight in the Third Degree. None-the-less I challenge you to press on to higher ground. If you have not already done so, become a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knight and become an insurance member. Both create an unmistakable bond; a strong fraternal connection that is richly rewarding. I only give you this challenge because I care deeply about you and want you to experience the very best that our Order has to offer you and your loved ones.

2) I have not mentioned his name very often over the last few months, because he doesn't like it when I do, but without the tireless work of your State Secretary Tim Guski, we might have been holding some of our meetings in tents at a campground! Thank you, Brother Tim, for taking on every extra duty that you see is needed whether or not you are asked. (State Deputy, continued page 2)

### State Chaplain's Message

My Brother Knights,

Here we are in the Easter Season. Our Mass readings are showing us the accounts of those first disciples and their heroic desire to bring God's message of repentance and the forgiveness of sins. These were truly "Medics of Mercy," bringing the spiritually wounded to what Pope Francis calls, "The field hospital after the battle." We too must prepare ourselves for this important rescue mission.

The U.S. Army ran a very effective "Army Strong" advertising campaign to recruit soldiers. The key message was: "There is strong, and then there is Army Strong." The commercial goes on to say, "It is a strength like none other. It is a physical strength. It is an emotional strength. It is strength of character. It is strength of purpose. The strength to do good today, and the strength to do well tomorrow. The strength to obey, and the strength to command. The strength to build, and the strength to tear down. The strength to get yourself over, and the strength to get over yourself."

These are warrior assets necessary to overcome the enemy. However, recall that our struggle is not against flesh and blood combatants, but against the much stronger and craftier spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realm (Eph 6:11). This means it is not enough for you to possess the power of a warrior. You must discover what it means to be supernaturally empowered by God. You are to become not just Army Strong, but *God Strong*. You must know what it means to be in a *state of grace*. St. Ignatius of Loyola said, "Few souls understand what God would accomplish in them if they were to abandon themselves unreservedly to Him and if they were to allow His grace to mold them accordingly."

Go to Confession at least once a month, adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and stay close to our Lady by praying a daily rosary. Get into and remain in a *state of grace!*

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us! Go to Joseph!  
Very Rev. Richard Heilman, V.F.



## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

To be sure, all the members of the State Officer Team have done this, but I wanted to mention Brother Tim this month because so much of what he has been doing has been in the background and has not been seen outside of a very small group.

The theme expressed many times before is that “You will all Be Brothers, Our Vocation to Fraternity.” This time of year I am presented with many reasons to doubt that! Yes, this is “suspension time.” It is that time of year when we receive the most intent to suspend forms. Of course, this is an unfortunate reality of any organization. We are not immune. But we are not helpless either. Nor is our organization the same as all other organizations. We possess a spiritual dimension; a rich heritage of Faith. For us, member administration must never become solely an administrative task. For us it must remain always personal, prompted by nothing less than the brotherhood we share in Christ Jesus.

That is why I constantly implore you help your retention committee to make personal contact at least twice every year with each brother knight; once on their birthday as we value every life, and once on the anniversary of their becoming a knight, as we still value them as a brother knight. It is not enough to say we have a vocation to fraternity; we must live it out.

Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, pray for us. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, pray for us.

Vivat Jesus my Brothers,



Ron Faust, State Deputy



**What is the mission of the Knights of Columbus?** The Knights of Columbus was established in 1882 to provide a means by which Catholic men could:

- **Support the Catholic Church,**
- **Provide financial protection to protect their families, and**
- **Engage in works of charity to benefit the less fortunate**

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### Wisconsin State Council's DIOCESAN FAMILIES OF THE MONTH December 2014

Green Bay Diocese	Council	District
Jon & Dawn Bolwerk Neenah, WI.	5514	10
La Crosse Diocese		
Charles & Kathy Pollard Tomah, WI.	4125	23
Madison Diocese		
Mark & Judy Shingler Sun Prairie, WI.	4879	51
Milwaukee Archdiocese		
Marshall & Anna McLean Waupun, WI.	4897	71
Superior Diocese		
Thomas & Mary Granlund	7827	85



### Wisconsin State Council's DIOCESAN FAMILIES OF THE MONTH January 2015

Green Bay Diocese	Council	District
Roger & Josephine Bochek Sturgeon Bay, WI.	2478	4
La Crosse Diocese		
Jim & Jeanine Glasser Tomah, WI.	4125	23
Madison Diocese		
Travis & Ginger Halverson Highland, WI.	1909	52
Milwaukee Archdiocese		
Gordie & Terry Stenz Waupun, WI.	4897	71
Superior Diocese		
Robert & Jackie Aune Hammond, WI.	7030	81

The recipients of the Holy Plaques from Supreme for January are:

Travis & Ginger Halverson	1909	Highland
Ryan & Leah Jaecks	3955	De Pere
Robert & Inez Babb	5488	Mosinee
Phil & Vickie Schmidt	7895	Hortonville

## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

### State of Wisconsin: March Membership Summary by Diocese

Diocese	Goal	Target to Date	New Members	% of Target	Lost Members	Net Gain	Council without a new member	New Insurance Members	Lost Insurance Members	%
Green Bay	280	210	204	97.1	91	113	23	30	38	72.9
La Crosse	248	186	175	94.1	76	99	16	55	29	70.6
Madison	257	193	153	79.4	66	87	24	38	31	59.5
Milwaukee	401	301	199	66.2	63	136	22	60	30	49.6
Superior	139	105	57	54.7	40	17	28	28	14	41.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1325</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>79.3%</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>59.5%</b>

Circle of Honor	Current Status (needed)	Circle of Honor Net	Circle of Honor Net/Net 100	Deceased Members
	1325	998	-263	
1325	788	452	-263%	715

55.30%

45.29%



### STATE CHURCH DRIVE

May (all month): Honoring our Bishops dedicated to Mary

Membership as of	Current Membership as of
07/01/2014	04/01/2015
36,616	36,353

State Membership Coordinator - Jon Olson

**Running at 50%**

My brother Knights,

April is convention time, which means we need to find out who is doing an excellent job and to reward districts and councils that have achieved the state incentives that we are doing this fraternal year. These will be announced and awarded at convention, but I also want to bring up how it seems that only 50% of our councils have brought in more members than they have suspended so far this fraternal year.

At numerous times this year we have mentioned that if councils are not recruiting, they are shrinking. The reason we state this is due to the over 2 members PER DAY that we lose to death in our state. The death of our members is something that we have no control over and it is something we have to find ways to increase our membership to keep our numbers strong. Strong enough to continue our activities in our communities that they rely on every day and year.

What are we supposed to do with councils that do not take to heart and recruit? The answer is simple. We need to continue our efforts in different ways. Instead of telling people to recruit we need to show them how. Instead of expecting one person to do all the recruiting, having the whole council active in recruiting. Knowing that all of us are inspired in different ways to be Knights is the reason why we can survive and thrive in the changing culture of the communities we live in. Where bingo might be a big draw, is not where a video game tournament will be a big draw. Find the members in your council that do go on social media and see what things your area is talking about. Start a new program to fill a hole in your community. Inspire fellow Catholics to go out and do good deeds outside the normal circle of friends. Network with other churches on a common goal like the culture of life issues in your area. A bigger group of people speaking out might make the difference.

In membership recruitment, find members that know your programs and can speak on the positive influence that program has. If a church recruitment drive does not work one weekend, try it another or do the drive differently to see if you get a different response from people. Talk to prospects in an upbeat tone and positive light. No one wants to hear of another negative item. Give the prospect's life more purpose and give them an activity they like and will do well in. Remember you joined to make a difference and tell your personal story.

I look forward to hear from you at convention on your successes and will help you find a way to reach your goals.

Fraternally  
Jon Olson - State Membership

**REMEMBER: ONE MEMBER, PER COUNCIL, PER MONTH**



## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

### Family of the Month Report - Larry Julson

I want to thank all of the councils that took the time to select a Family of the Year. I also thank all of the councils, that honored their Family of the Year, by submitting a nomination for the Family of the year from their diocese, and have a chance to be selected as the Wisconsin State Family of the year. The Wisconsin State Family of the Year is also the family who will have their nomination sent in to Supreme, for consideration as the International Family of the Year.

This year there were only thirteen nominations, for the Family of the Year Committee to look through. There were two diocese that had only one nomination each. I know that there are a lot of families out there that are deserving, of having a nomination completed for their family. Next year let it be a priority in your council, to complete a Family of the Year nomination. Then send the nomination to the Family of the Year Committee, to be considered, for the diocesan Family of the Year.

State Family Coordinator - Larry Julson



### Your Council Website is ready for you to activate!

- Attract New Members
- Improve Membership Retention
- Streamline Reports & Communications
- Support Council Members and Events
- Maximize Council Fundraising

Please visit the State Council website [www.wikofc.com](http://www.wikofc.com) and see how your council can join the network of councils on the web.

### The 2015 Silver Rose Program

Beginning in April 2015, six Silver Roses will begin their journey across North America, from Canada to the United States to Mexico. The 2015 Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose - One Life, One Rose Program will conclude on December 12, 2015 on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico.

2015 marks the 55th year of the program which began in 1960 as a project of the Columbian Squires of North America to honor the Blessed Virgin under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. The program has continued since then as a project of Columbian Squires circles, councils and Fourth Degree assemblies in several jurisdictions.

[www.runningoftherose.org](http://www.runningoftherose.org)



#### Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Run 2015

We will receive the Silver Rose from Minnesota on Sunday, 7 June, by the Mississippi River in Hudson. The Rose will be in Wisconsin for three weeks. The locations and dates are listed below. The details of the prayer services are being developed. We transfer the Rose to Iowa on Sunday, 28 June, by the Mississippi River, Hwy 18 at Prairie du Chien.

#### 2015 Silver Rose Run for Our Lady of Guadalupe, Wisconsin Sunday, 7 June 2015, to Sunday, 28 June 2015

Date	City	Location	Time
Sun 7 Jun	Hudson	Transfer off I94	1:00pm
Sun 7 Jun	Hudson	St Patrick	2:00pm
Mon 8 Jun	Hammond	St Mary's Immaculate Conception	7:00pm
Tue 9 Jun	Eau Claire	St Olaf	7:00pm
Wed 10 Jun	Chippewa Falls	St Charles Borromeo	
Thu 11 Jun	Danbury	Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary	10:00am
Fri 12 Jun	Superior	Cathedral of Christ the King	
Sat 13 Jun	Woodruff	Holy Family	5:30pm
Sun 14 Jun	Plover	St Bronislava	7:00pm
Mon 15 Jun	Marshfield		
Tue 16 Jun	Adams	St Joseph	6:00pm
Wed 17 Jun	Kendall	St Joseph	7:00pm
Thu 18 Jun	LaCrosse	Our Lady of Guadalupe	1:00pm
Fri 19 Jun	Baraboo	St Joseph	7:00pm
Sat 20 Jun	Madison	Good Shepherd St Joseph	12:30pm
Sun 21 Jun	Sun Prairie	St Albert the Great	10:30am
Mon 22 Jun	Verona	St Andrew	7:00pm
Tue 23 Jun	Clinton	St Stephen	
Wed 24 Jun	Burlington		
Thu 25 Jun	Janesville	St John Vianney	7:00pm
Fri 26 Jun	Hazel Green	St Francis De Sales	7:00pm
Sat 27 Jun	Lancaster	St Clement	6:00pm
Sun 28 Jun	Prairie du Chien	Mississippi Rive & Hwy18	1:00pm



To Jesus thru Mary,  
John Sustar, State Coordinator  
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*We are the Church Militant. One of the three parts of the Catholic Church. The other two are, The Church Suffering and The Church Triumphant. The Church has always taught that while we live in this world we are at war with spiritual enemies, most clearly expressed by temptations and attacks that come from the world, the flesh and the devil.*

## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

### State Program Director, Bill Frayer

Brother Knights,

I hope that your Spring programming has gone well so far and that you are well positioned for a strong final 3 months in our fraternal year. Remember that your goal should be to earn the Star Council and Complete Council Awards! At the very least, you should be striving to get the Fr. McGivney or Founder's Awards for membership/Insurance member growth and programming excellence!

You should be communicating with your District Deputy and Diocesan Program Coordinator your accomplishments in these areas using the checklists you've received from me for Star and Complete Council! If you need more, feel free to contact me at any time! In particular, I need to know from you if you've held a Benefits Night, held 2 Church Drives, held at least 2 1st Degrees, held a Memorial Mass, held a Faith Formation program, sponsored a scouting troop or event, held Corporate Communion or participated in a pro-life march or participated in an ultrasound project since there are no report forms for these events. Grand Knights - please get this information to your District Deputies/Diocesan Program Coordinators soon and update it monthly!

Also, for events for which there are State and/or Supreme Report Forms: Columbian Award, RSVP, Round Tables, Special Olympics, Habitat for Humanity, Family of the month, Coats for Kids, Food for Families, Global Wheelchairs, Culture of Life Essay Contest, Lifesavers for Life, PPK, Soccer Challenge, True Meaning of Christmas (State) or Keep Christ in Christmas (Supreme) Poster Contests, Free Throw/Knowledge Contests, Substance Abuse Poster Contest, or Citizenship Essay Contest, make sure that your report forms are submitted and copies sent to your DD, Diocesan Program Coordinator and/or directly to me!

On another note, thanks to all who coordinated and participated in this year's Knowledge and Free Throw Contests at the local, District, Diocesan and State levels. They appear to have gone quite well. Special thanks go to Council 1558 and Assumption High School in Wisconsin Rapids for doing a great job in hosting the State Knowledge and Free Throw Contests! Unfortunately, we did have 2 groups of students and parents who arrived at the State Math/Spelling contests who had received the wrong information from their local Councils and were sent there instead of to their Diocesan Contests, thus skipping an entire level of competition and rendering them ineligible! Other than apologizing profusely to them we could do little else and could not have foreseen the circumstances. We intend to work to ensure this will not happen in 2016.

Finally, our focus this month is on the RSVP Program. Since its inception in 1981, Councils have provided \$60 million in financial support to more than 98,000 seminarians, postulants and novices. A well planned "Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP)" allows Knights and other parishioners to provide both material and moral support. Councils and Assemblies receive a \$100 rebate from Supreme for every \$500 in financial support provided to an individual seminarian, postulant or novice, up to a maximum refund of \$400 per individual (\$2000 contributed). To conduct a quality program, identify a seminarian to support. If you need help, contact your pastor or Diocesan Vocations Director. You're strongly encouraged to work with your seminary to ensure that as many as possible, especially those most in need, receive support! After a seminarian's name and address is secured, prepare and send an introductory letter from the Council. Then, determine how the support money is to be raised and presented to the seminarian. Involve prospective Knights and parishioners in the fundraising efforts. Notify the Diocesan Vocations Director when you present the money to the seminarian. Remember that RSVP assistance also involves prayer and moral support. Make at least 1 personal visit to each seminarian and send 4 letters (eg. birthday, Christmas, Easter, back to school, etc.) each fraternal year. Encourage members, families and parishioners to keep the seminarian/postulant/novice in their prayers or to visit them personally or send personal greetings. Invite the seminarian...to Council activities and include him/her on Council mailing lists for the newsletter, invitations and announcements. If feasible, invite them to join the Council. Invite them to make a presentation to the Council, parish or youth groups on what it means to prepare for the priesthood or religious life. You may wish to arrange for the seminarian or prospective religious to host a group of young people from the Council/parish to meet other seminarians and get a feeling of preparing for the priesthood or religious life. Make sure to offer them congratulations on their ordination, final vows, etc. Ultimately, apply for a refund from Supreme. To be eligible, monies given must go directly to an individual (not to an institution or fund); money given must be vocations related, paid with a check drawn from the Council/Assembly account; and copies of the check or other documentation must accompany the application for a refund! If you don't already have one, request a RSVP Award plaque. Details are on the Form 2863 application; to qualify the Council must provide financial assistance as well as moral support throughout the fraternal year. Any participating Council that meets the minimum participation requirements receives full credit for all church category requirements for the Columbian Award. RSVP programming should be completed in April-May in order to meet the June 30 deadline for filing the Form 2863. Good luck in your efforts!

Hope to see you all at the State Convention!

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally, Bill Frayer State Program Director



*"For our struggle is not with flesh and blood but with the principalities, with the powers, with the wicked rulers of this present darkness, with the evil spirits in the heavens."*

Ephesians 6:12



## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

### Our Commitment to Special Athletes and Special Olympics Wisconsin continues:



**We have renewed our commitment of \$100,000 to send “Team Wisconsin” to the 2018 National Games in Seattle, WA.**

Our beliefs as Catholic and as Knights drive us to help these very special brothers and sisters. Last year, Special Olympics Wisconsin affected nearly 10,000 athletes and of these, 1736 were given health assessments, resulting in 221 referrals.

Our commitment reflects a \$0.75/member/year for four years to get us to our \$100,000 goal. To date, we have donations totaling \$23,664.69; nearly **25%** of our goal for 2018.

These donation include, corporate donation, recycling donations, and Council donations. Council donations include Council checks and intellectual Disability Checks.

Our commitment to Special Olympics also includes the recycling program. In 2014, only 39 councils actively participated in the recycling program. Our % returns from our donations to the present recycling company have considerably decreased. We are presently researching other companies in an effort to get more back for all our donations. If any of you loyal Knights know of any recycling companies that return better than the one we have, Please contact me.

Mary and I cannot thank John and Joyce Benisch enough for all the time and hard work they put into making this program what it is.

We also need to thank the Fourth Degree Honor Guard, the Masters, and Roland Ransom, for all the time they put into honoring our Special Athletes.

And we thank the State Officers for all they do.

But we especially want to thank **you**, the members, who do so much to support this worthwhile program.

When you are at the convention, stop in and visit the Special Olympics table.

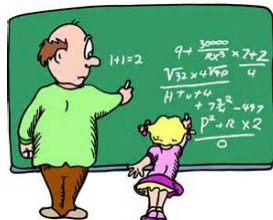
**See what a difference you are making.**

God Bless you all for what you do for our Faith, our Order, and for Special Olympics.

Bryce Lisowski, Special Olympics Coordinator

### Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes 2015 STATE KNOWLEDGE CONTEST

#### MATHEMATICS WINNERS



	<u>Grade 5</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Diocese</u>
1st	Nicholas, Rabiego	Mukwonago	7048	68	Milwaukee
2nd	Misha-el Maier	Oostburg	722	60	Milwaukee
3rd	Mark Fieweger	Arpin	1799	30	LaCrosse
	<u>Grade 6</u>				
1st	Allison, Willhite	Mukwonago	7048	68	Milwaukee
2nd	Andrew Butler	Potosi	4416	40	Madison
3rd	Nara Shin	Medford	1744	90	Superior
	<u>Grade 7</u>				
1st	Katharine Bendel	Menomonie	2055	21	LaCrosse
2nd	Blaise Zander	Lodi	6463	43	Madison
3rd	Christopher Eaton	Racine	697	67	Milwaukee
	<u>Grade 8</u>				
1st	Hannah, Jorgensen	Hillsboro	3492	26	LaCrosse
2nd	Nathaniel Rouse	Bayside	6646	69	Milwaukee
3rd	James Woodward	Menomonee	2055	21	LaCrosse
	<u>Grade 5</u>				
1st	Abigail Dykstra	Rice Lake	2127	83	Superior
2nd	Joseph Bonadonna	Suamico	617	7	Green Bay
3rd	Quinn Cooper	Eagle	7048	68	Milwaukee
	<u>Grade 6</u>				
1st	Anne Sophie Brilla	Madison	4527	47	Madison
2nd	Audrey Ronan	Stratford	1789	30	LaCrosse
3rd	Joel Ringelstetter, Jr.	Lone Rock	3492	26	LaCrosse
	<u>Grade 7</u>				
1st	Mary Hsu	Middleton	4527	47	Madison
2nd	Erin Breu	DePere	3955	8	Green Bay
3rd	Isaac Stine	Prairie du Chien	1840	26	LaCrosse
	<u>Grade 8</u>				
1st	Joseph Tierney V	Wauwatosa	4240	63	Milwaukee
2nd	Ryan Stroboch	Rib Lake	9608	90	Superior
3rd	Grace VanDyke	Reedsville	5795	12	Green Bay

#### SPELLING WINNERS

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~~challeng~~  
hard.

Special thanks to Ron Shymanski, the wonderful volunteers from Council 1558, to the staff at Assumption High School in Wisconsin Rapids for the use of their facilities and State Programs Director William Frayer who presented the awards. A number of parents expressed their appreciation for the efforts of our Diocesan Coordinators, District Deputies, Grand Knights and the many volunteers from participating councils who provided this opportunity for their children.  
Peter J. Schulteis, Knowledge Contest Coordinator

## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes



Results of the **State Free Throw Contest** at Wisconsin Rapids Assumption High School March 28, 2015.

### Boys

<u>Age 9</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Diocese</u>
1st Place	Caleb Dietsche	De Pere	3955	8	Green Bay
2nd Place	James May	Racine	697	67	Milwaukee
3rd Place	Tanner Schultz	Plymouth	1789	61	Milwaukee

### Age 10

1st Place	Justus Christianson	Siren	6370	87	Superior
2nd Place	Hayden Wagner	Muskego	6448	68	Milwaukee
3rd Place	Sam King	Black Earth	7811	43	Madison

### Age 11

1st Place	Lucas Smith	Stanley	3249	24	La Crosse
2nd Place	Jameer Barker	Racine	697	67	Milwaukee
3rd Place	Drew Robson	Cuba City	765	41	Madison

### Age 12

1st Place	Josh Martens	Cumberland	6051	89	Superior
2nd Place	Liam Stumpf	Dodgeville	4871	52	Madison
3rd Place	Andrew Larson	Menomonee Falls	4648	64	Milwaukee

### Age 13

1st Place	Ryan Kropvenske	Baileys Harbor	4896	4	Green Bay
2nd Place	Derek Lenz	Holmen	9385	25	La Crosse
3rd Place	Josh Stefanski	Wabeno	4932	1	Green Bay

### Age 14

1st Place	Gregory Meyer	Stanley	3249	24	La Crosse
2nd Place	Marques Hogleund	Ashland	832	80	Superior
3rd Place	Slater Fitzgerald	Lodi	6463	43	Madison

### Girls

<u>Age 9</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Diocese</u>
1st Place	Hannah Miller	Sheboygan	722	61	Milwaukee
2nd Place	Carolyn May	Racine	697	67	Milwaukee
3rd Place	Addison Pristelski	Marinette	719	2	Green Bay

### Age 10

1st Place	Maggie Luedke	Green Bay	6279	6	Green Bay
2nd Place	Holly Rands	Ladysmith	2481	83	Superior
3rd Place	Macy Donarski	Onalaska	10914	25	La Crosse

### Age 11

1st Place	Gwen McCorison	Butternut	7132	86	Superior
2nd Place	Lily Hansford	De Pere	3955	8	Green Bay
3rd Place	Breanna Stibbe	Richland Center	3492	26	La Crosse

### Age 12

1st Place	Caroline Strande	Racine	697	67	Milwaukee
2nd Place	Baluck Deang	Madison	4586	47	Madison
3rd Place	McKenna Hurlburt	Durand	2422	22	La Crosse

### Age 13

1st Place	Alexa Pristelski	Marinette	719	2	Green Bay
2nd Place	Mariah Freeman	Racine	697	67	Milwaukee
3rd Place	Emily Fox	Osceola	6567	88	Superior

### Age 14

1st Place	Taylor Weinberger	Butternut	7132	86	Superior
2nd Place	Sophie Patton	Sturgeon Bay	2478	4	Green Bay
3rd Place	Libby Tinsman	Laona	4932	1	Green Bay



## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

### Culture of Life – by Dan Miller

I've never been known for sugar-coating anything.

The State Culture of Life committee and a lot of other volunteers spent the better part of their Saturday to tabulate the results of the Culture of Life Grant Fund donations. It was a lot of work. I had set a goal of \$250,000 at a minimum – or \$6.75 per Knight. We didn't even come close. We collected just under \$61,000 – roughly \$1.64 per Knight. Last year, we collected \$82,000. The year before that, \$93,000. The amount we collected didn't bother me nearly as much as the downward trend. It actually made me depressed. I am not used to failing. It is not in my blood. I am a fighter. Plus, I'm Irish – thanks to my paternal grandmother – who you will read about at the end of this article.

Well over 40 awesome and wonderful pro-life organizations look forward to applying for this grant every year. They do the **HARD WORK** that we as Knights simply can't do. We give to them so that **BOTH** of our goals are achieved in cultivating a 'Culture of Life.' This money can directly be tied to saving lives and souls. Just **KNOW** that.

We mined the list looking for possible candidates who have given in the recent past. I will be sending out another mailing to 276 Knights in the hopes that they would re-engage in this appeal. Short of that – we will hit the phones. My level of commitment to this is **ALL IN**. I will raise \$250,000 or die trying. I want to see abortion not only illegal – but **UNTHINKABLE** – but we can't do it without your help.

**HELP A BROTHER OUT!!** You can save babies from abortion – **AND** – save me from calling you! If you haven't donated to this – **PLEASE** – do it today! If you have already – **THANK YOU** – send more! **THE WIDOW'S MITE!** Make it hurt! Please send your donation to the KofC Culture of Life Grant Fund. Send it to: Knights of Columbus – State Council - 4297 West Beltline Highway, Madison, WI 53711. Be sure to annotate your council number in the memo portion of your check.

**Where's the fire, Dan?!** As many of you know, for the last five years of my life, I've spent over 5,000 hours as a full-time volunteer 'Sidewalk Counselor.' I would stand outside abortion facilities and try to convince young moms and dads to not go through with the abortion. During that time, we were successful 620 times that we know of – all glory to God. Much to my wife's extreme chagrin, I've even offered to trade my life for the baby's on numerous occasions. Really. Dead serious. "Bring your baby here after he or she is born – and I will take a bullet, right then and there – just don't kill your baby." It actually worked every time – and thankfully, no one has taken me up on my end of the 'bargain' – but I would do it, absolutely. I've also seen the wake of devastation that abortion creates in the 12,000 moms who decided to have an abortion during that time. That is a tremendous weight to carry for any man. Thankfully, I've given all of my failings to Christ. I've held four babies who were saved from abortion. One of them is now my God-son – little Baby Joseph. But the fire doesn't end there. Last September I learned something about abortion in my family. Long ago, in 1934, my paternal grandmother and grandfather travelled to Sheboygan to procure an illegal abortion. The target was my father – who was recently exemplified *together with me* to the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. She and my grandfather walked out because they feared breaking the law. You see, the law is a teacher. The law saved my entire family from **NON-BEING** into **BEING**. I thank God for her courage to do the right thing – otherwise, I wouldn't be writing you today, begging you for a measly \$6.75 to help end abortion. Now you know why *literally every fiber of my being* cries out to end the atrocity of abortion. I am imploring you. Will you help a brother out?

Dan Miller, Culture of Life – State Coordinator  
262-424-8787

### **K of C Camping Opportunities**

If you are a camper the Knights of Columbus offers two opportunities for you to attend. The first is the Wisconsin State Campers Association. This is the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the camping group. It will be held the weekend of June 26, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> at Silver Springs Campgrounds in Rio, WI. Cost of a campsite per night is \$37.00 plus tax. This rate is good if you wish to spend a few days early or if you wish to stay later. To make your reservations for a campsite contact the campgrounds at (920) 992-3537. Mention that you are making reservations with the Knights of Columbus to get the special rate. You can visit the campgrounds website at [www.silverspringscamp.com](http://www.silverspringscamp.com)



The second opportunity is the KCIC (Knights of Columbus International Campers). This camporee will be held in Monticello, IA at Walnut Ares Campground from August 1-7, 2015. This camporee gives you the opportunity to meet members of the Knights of Columbus and their families from a variety of states and members from Canada. Whether you are coming for a weekend or a few days, you are sure to have a wonderful time at our family-friendly KCIC Camporee. Walnut Acres has over 600 camping sites and two cabin rentals. Enjoy the campground's spring fed lake where you can fish, river tubing trail and large sand beach. The campground also has a new zero entry swimming pool. During the week there are many events for all to enjoy.

For more information on these two camporees, contact Tom Schmitz, State Camping Coordinator, at (920) 923-1215 or by e-mail at [trsknights@yahoo.com](mailto:trsknights@yahoo.com) please put **KC CAMPING** in the subject line. I do not open any e-mails that are not familiar or recognizable to me.

Tom Schmitz, State Camping Coordinator



## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

### A Special Message from the Supreme Council General Agents:

#### Don't assume you can't afford Disability Income Insurance

One of the biggest mistakes you can make regarding disability insurance is to assume you can't afford it or you won't qualify. Before you make that assumption, do some basic research and apply for coverage through the Knights of Columbus. The Order's Income Armor product gives you options that can help you fit this critical protection into your risk management budget.



Here are two ways you can reduce your premium:

1. Choose a two-year or five-year maximum benefit period.

Depending on your age, the best option is probably a policy that pays benefits until you reach age 67. But a two-year or five-year duration benefit period would cover disabilities you might encounter in your working life.

2. Choose a longer elimination period.

An elimination period is the number of days a total disability must exist before benefits begin to accrue. Typical elimination periods are 30, 90, or 180 days. Choosing a longer elimination period lowers the policy's premium. But be sure you have enough set aside in your contingency fund to account for the longer gap.

As your professional General Agents, risk management is our specialty. Let's talk about how to protect your income, your retirement needs, and your family's financial future.

Fraternally,

#### The Supreme Council Insurance General Agents serving the State of Wisconsin;

**Dan Baxter**  
608-348-3360

**Ed Knolmayer**  
715-425-0773

**Joe Molosky**  
715-938-5632

**Ken Sosnowski**  
262-242-3350



#### Your United Wisconsin Benefits Team

Pictured from left to right in the back row are, Immediate Past State Deputy - Tim Genthe, Dan Baxter -General Agent Southwest Wisconsin, Ed Knolmeyer -General Agent Northwest Wisconsin, Joe Molosky -General Agent Northeast Wisconsin, Ken Sosnowski - General Agent Southeast Wisconsin. In the front row from left to right are State Warden -Pat Reiff, State Secretary -Tim Guski, State Deputy -Ron Faust, State Treasurer -Gordy Kremer, State Advocate -Jack Wrbanich.

#### Careers at Knights of Columbus Insurance

Do well for yourself while doing good for others. Put your Catholic faith into action and experience a career with Knights of Columbus. Know someone who needs a career change? Share this with someone you know. Are you passionate about being a Knight, enjoy setting your own schedule and derive satisfaction from making a difference in the lives of fellow Catholics?

With a field force of over 1,400 career agents and openings throughout the U.S. and Canada, now is the perfect time to consider a career with Knights of Columbus Insurance. As one of the strongest and most highly rated insurance companies in North America, we are committed to providing financial protection to our members and their families.

Want more information? Call one of our Supreme Council Insurance General Agents serving the State of Wisconsin today:

Ed Knolmayer (Northwestern WI): 715-425-0773

Joe Molosky (Northeastern WI): 715-938-5632

Ken Sosnowski (Southeastern WI): 262-242-3350

Dan Baxter (Southwestern WI): 608-348-3360

#### District 65 Ultrasound Initiative Update

Thank you to all of the councils and individuals that contributed to District 65 Ultrasound fund. We now have enough funds to be able to order a State of the art 4D Ultrasound machine. This machine will be put in a new Women's Crisis facility that will be run by "Life's Connection of Mukwonago" and located on Main Street across the street from Planned Parenthood in Waukesha, Wisconsin.

There will be a ribbon cutting later this summer when the facility will go into operation.

Does anyone know of another Ultrasound Initiative going on in Wisconsin at this time? If so please forward the information to me as I may be able to help.



David Grau, Former District Deputy  
414-852-9885, [davidg1709@yahoo.com](mailto:davidg1709@yahoo.com)

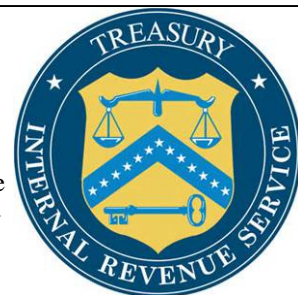
## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes



Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

### Important Tax Information for KofC Councils and Assemblies

As you know, the Knights of Columbus, including all subordinate councils, assemblies, and chapters (collectively referred to as councils), is a tax-exempt organization, recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a fraternal benefit society under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code. Notwithstanding our tax exempt status, each council is required by law to file an annual informational tax return with the Internal Revenue Service.



Most councils will file the IRS Form 990-N electronic postcard (also known as the e-postcard). If your council's gross receipts are more than \$50,000 but less than \$200,000 and its total assets are less than \$500,000, you will need to file a Form 990-EZ. If your council's gross receipts are more than \$200,000 and its total assets are more than \$500,000, you will need to file Form 990.

#### Deadline to file annual return (all forms)

Each council must file its own tax return; there is no group or consolidated Form 990 filing. The returns must be filed by the fifteenth day of the fifth month following the end of the council's annual accounting period. For example, if your council's accounting period ends December 31, you must file a tax return by May 15 of the following year; if your council's accounting period ends June 30, you must file a tax return by November 15.

#### Need more time to file a Form 990 (paper forms only)?

If you need more time to file your council's informational return, you must file a request for an extension at least one month before the due date. For example, if your council's accounting period ends December 31, you must file a request for an extension no later than April 15; if your council's accounting period ends June 30, you must file a request for an extension no later than October 15. Federal law imposes a penalty of \$20 per day, up to a maximum of \$10,000, for incomplete or late filings, unless you can show reasonable cause. You may download the form for requesting an extension from the IRS website:

<http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8868.pdf>

#### Where to file

The Form 990-N (e-postcard) can only be filed online and you may do so by using the link below. Go to the link below and click "FILE YOUR E-POSTCARD;" you will arrive at the site where you can access and file the Form 990-N:

<http://nccs.urban.org/>

All paper returns should be sent to:

Internal Revenue Service Center  
Ogden, UT 84201-0027

#### The website will not allow me to file a Form 990-N

If your council has recently been reinstated with the IRS or if your council is a new council, the filing system may not allow you to file a 990-N for your first year. A council cannot file a Form 990-N unless it is on the Supreme Council's Group Exemption List, which is updated annually by the Knights of Columbus Legal Department. If you are unable to e-file, please contact the Legal Department by email at [tax.ein@kofc.org](mailto:tax.ein@kofc.org)

#### Forms and Other Information Available on IRS Website

Forms 990-EZ and 990 are available in the forms directory on the IRS website:

[http://apps.irs.gov/app/picklist/list/formsPublications.html;jsessionid=mXrFTNd5imPYNv53RNwukQ\\_ ?indexOffirstRow=0&sortColumn=sortOrder&value=990&criteria=formNumber&resultsPerPage=25&isDescending=false](http://apps.irs.gov/app/picklist/list/formsPublications.html;jsessionid=mXrFTNd5imPYNv53RNwukQ_?indexOffirstRow=0&sortColumn=sortOrder&value=990&criteria=formNumber&resultsPerPage=25&isDescending=false)

We suggest you visit the IRS home page for tax-exempt organizations. It is an excellent resource for council officers who have questions or need information regarding their federal tax obligations:

<http://www.irs.gov/charities/index.html?navmenu=menu1>

We also suggest you visit the IRS web page explaining the annual electronic filing requirement for small exempt organizations:

[http://www.irs.gov/Charities-&-Non-Profits/Annual-Electronic-Filing-Requirement-for-Small-Exempt-Organizations-Form-990-N-\(e-Postcard\)](http://www.irs.gov/Charities-&-Non-Profits/Annual-Electronic-Filing-Requirement-for-Small-Exempt-Organizations-Form-990-N-(e-Postcard))

More information is also available on the Knights of Columbus website. Sign in under "Officers" and look for the box titled "Support Materials" at the right side of the page. By clicking on the icon next to "Form 990 Information" you will access a detailed memorandum on tax compliance, along with attachments.

#### Conclusion

In addition to the annual filing requirement, each council is also responsible for conducting its affairs in a manner that is consistent with what is expected of tax-exempt organizations. Failure to do so may result in a council losing its tax exempt status.

If you have questions relating to your council's tax reporting obligations, please contact the Knights of Columbus Legal Department by email at [tax.ein@kofc.org](mailto:tax.ein@kofc.org)

**Building the Domestic Church**  
**“The Family Fully Alive”**

<http://www.kofc.org>

**Because our children may be called to become spouses and parents,  
we want to help them to explore the vocation to marriage and family life.**

Analyzing the nature of marriage, both St. Augustine and St. Thomas [Aquinas] always identify it with an “indivisible union of souls,” a “union of hearts,” with “consent.” These elements are found in an exemplary manner in the marriage of Mary and Joseph. At the culmination of the history of salvation, when God reveals his love for humanity through the gift of the Word, it is precisely the marriage of Mary and Joseph that brings to realization in full “freedom” the “spousal gift of self” in receiving and expressing such a love. “In this great undertaking which is the renewal of all things in Christ, marriage — it too purified and renewed — becomes a new reality, a sacrament of the New Covenant. ... The Savior began the work of salvation by this virginal and holy union, wherein is manifested his all-powerful will to purify and sanctify the family — that sanctuary of love and cradle of life.”

How much the family of today can learn from this! “The essence and role of the family are in the final analysis specified by love. Hence the family has the mission to guard, reveal and communicate love, and this is a living reflection of and a real sharing in God’s love for humanity and the love of Christ the Lord for the Church his bride.” This being the case, it is in the Holy Family, the original “Church in miniature (*Ecclesia domestica*)” that every Christian family must be reflected. “Through God’s mysterious design, it was in that family that the Son of God spent long years of a hidden life. It is therefore the prototype and example for all Christian families.”

**St. John Paul II**  
*Familiaris Consortio, §17*  
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God calls you to make definitive choices, and he has a plan for each of you: to discover that plan and to respond to your vocation is to move toward personal fulfillment. God calls each of us to be holy, to live his life, but he has a particular path for each one of us. Some are called to holiness through family life in the sacrament of marriage. Today, there are those who say that marriage is out of fashion. Is it out of fashion? In a culture of relativism and the ephemeral, many preach the importance of “enjoying” the moment. They say that it is not worth making a life-long commitment, making a definitive decision “forever,” because we do not know what tomorrow will bring. I ask you, instead, to be revolutionaries, I ask you to swim against the tide; yes, I am asking you to rebel against this culture that sees everything as temporary and that ultimately believes you are incapable of responsibility, that believes you are incapable of true love. I have confidence in you and I pray for you. Have the courage “to swim against the tide.”

**Pope Francis**  
*Meeting with volunteers, 28th World Youth Day*

1. What is one virtue I think I would need to grow in, in order to give myself to another as a loving spouse and loving parent? What is one strength I think I have that would be helpful as a loving spouse and loving parent?
2. Do I share Pope Francis’ confidence in me, that I am capable of true love and responsibility?
3. How does our family complete its “mission” to guard love, reveal love or communicate love?
4. What is an “ephemeral love,” and how is it different from a lasting and life-long committed love? How does lasting love affect other members of a family?

**April Psalm of the Month (Psalm 148)**

Praise the Lord from the heavens,  
praise him in the heights!  
Praise him, all his angels,  
praise him, all his host!  
Praise him, sun and moon,  
praise him, all you shining stars!  
Praise him, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens!  
Let them praise the name of the Lord!  
For he commanded and they were created.  
And he established them for ever and ever;  
he fixed their bounds which cannot be passed.  
Praise the Lord from the earth,  
you sea monsters and all deeps,  
fire and hail, snow and frost,  
stormy wind fulfilling his command!

Mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars!  
Beasts and all cattle,  
creeping things and flying birds!  
Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!  
Young men and maidens together,  
old men and children!  
Let them praise the name of the Lord,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his glory is above earth and heaven.  
He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his saints,  
for the people of Israel who are near to him.  
Praise the Lord!



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**Wisconsin Knights of Columbus 2015 Scheduled Degrees:** see updated schedule at <http://www.kofcknights.org/StateCouncilSite/degreeSchedule.asp?CN=US&ST=WI>  
(Contact State Secretary Tim Guski with scheduled degrees - tguski@wikofc.com)

**First Degrees: *Charity***

**Green Bay**

April 30 - 11305 Oshkosh  
May 5 - 5514 Neenah  
May 18 - 10243 Green Bay  
June 23 - 4706 Whitefish Bay  
July 1 - 10714 Allouez

**Madison**

May 7 - 9360 Janesville  
May 12 - 531 Madison  
June 4 - 9230 Janesville  
July 9 - 10363 Janesville

**Superior**

May 6 - 7030 Hammond

**La Crosse**

May 3 - 10914 Onalaska  
May 4 - 974 Chippewa Falls  
May 14 - 1170 Stevens Point  
May 18 - 13880 Plover

**Milwaukee**

May 11 - 4520 Grafton  
July 21 - 5438 Theinsville

**Second Degrees: *Unity***

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
May 2	10:00am	1837	Beaver Dam	Bill Kartheiser	(920)579-0346
May 6	6:30pm	4628	Rothschild	Jacob Grzywacz	(715)574-9461
May 16	11:00am	1864	Jefferson City	Bob Pizur	(920)285-0175
June 20	10:00am	1709	South Milwaukee	John Kubicek	(414)762-8159

**Third Degrees: *Fraternity***

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
May 2		1837	Beaver Dam	Bill Kartheiser	(920)579-0346
May 6		4628	Rothschild	Jacob Grzywacz	(715)574-9461
May 16		1864	Jefferson City	Bob Pizur	(920)285-0175
June 20		1709	South Milwaukee	John Kubicek	(414)762-8159

To schedule a Second or Third Degree in your Council/District, Contact PSD/FM Roland Ransom (262) 441-1306



**Fourth Degrees: *Patriotism***

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Eastern or Western District</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
October 17, 2015	New Richmond	Western District	(715) 423-0939

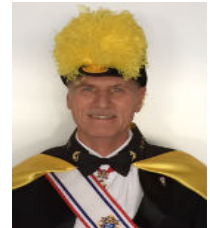


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# Badger Bulletin



PRO-LIFE WISCONSIN'S 2015 ANNUAL

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### Knights of Columbus **FOURTH DEGREE** *Patriotic degree of the Order.*



Council 1964 marked its response to the Roe vs. Wade anniversary by promoting the Culture of Life with placement of a second billboard on State Highway 45 north of West Bend. Above: (center) Fr. Caspar Rehrl Council 1964 West Bend Deputy Grand Knight, Scott Weinandt, is shown with Bill Hayes recognizing him for his effort to protect life and erect the new billboard (above left). The council supported two of its Knights, who own the property adjacent to the highway, in the erection of Pro-Life signs so thousands of daily commuters and travelers from both directions will remember to "Defend Life." The latest billboard will also be used to promote council events. The first billboard (above right) was donated by Francis Peters. The Council has also contributed to ultrasound equipment for the Women's Care Center in Milwaukee and Seed of Hope Pregnancy Clinic in West Bend.

(above) Fr. Jose Zapata-Ramirez, Fr. Alejandro Rodriguez, SX, Fr. Hugo Londono with their sponsors from Assembly 3120, Basilica of St. Josaphat at the Fourth Exemplification on April 11, 2015. Fr. Jose, Fr. Alejandro and Fr. Hugo were Exemplified and received the Honor as Sir Knight.

# Badger Bulletin



## Honor Flight



On April 9, 2015 Honor Guard members, from Assemblies 1220, 1210, 4782, 1199 and 3210 welcomed home Our Hero's from WWII and Korea. Sixteen Honor Guard members waited for the plane at the Outagamie County Regional Airport, returning from Washington DC.

**CATHOLIC PULSE**  
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**Take Action for Religious Freedom**

In order to win the Triple Crown in horseracing, you need to be consistent in three races: win the Kentucky Derby, Preakness Stakes and Belmont Stakes. Therefore, in order to win at this contest you need to do the following:

- Your district needs to be net\* positive in each of the months of April, May and June, 2015. If you fulfill this requirement and your net over this three month period is 10 or more, you will earn 1,000 VIP points per the net positive number.
  - o Example 1: Your district was net positive in all three months and achieved a net of 16 for the three month period. You win 16 X 1,000 VIP points, or 16,000 VIP points
  - o Example 2: Your district was net positive in two of the three months and achieved a net of 12 for the three month period. You would not qualify for points because you were not positive all three months
  - o Example 3: Your district was net positive in all three months and achieved a net of 8 for the three month period. You also would not qualify for points because your net was not above 10.

\*Net is the quantity of new or former members minus any suspensions or withdrawals; you do not have to propose any of these new or former members to win at the Triple Crown!

We'd also like to remind you that if you form, reinstitute or reactivate a council, you will earn 10,000 VIP points during the period between January 1st, 2015 and June 30th, 2015.

Star District reminder: if you attain Star District, your lapel pin will have a star for every Star Council in your district up to four stars.



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***IF we could fill the stands we could raise over \$16,000.00 for a great Charity, and have a great time doing it!!!***



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## **KofC AGENT CHARITY FUND, WOMEN'S CARE CENTER, FAMILY WEEK GAME!**

**August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, Game time 6:05pm**  
**MADISON MALLARDS** will play the Wausau, Woodchucks  
Sponsored by:

*Wausau Woodchucks*  
**Pregnant?**

***Knights of Columbus, and the Madison Area Field Agents  
Dennis O'Connell, Luke Meinholz & Relevant Radio.***

*This year you will purchase tickets directly through the Madison Mallards. Councils and churches are encouraged to purchase the tickets By April 31<sup>st</sup>, in a group and send one check, to make Will's, already tough, job easier.*

***Tickets are 13.00 each. To purchase Tickets make the Cheques Payable to the:  
"Madison Mallards" in the notes write "KOFCAWCCCF".***

***C/O Will Martin, Inside Sales Manager, Madison Mallard's and he will be your contact for the tickets at \$13.00 per ticket still. Please contact him with any ticketing questions. He can be reached at 608-246-4277 or [will@mallardsbaseball.com](mailto:will@mallardsbaseball.com)***

***\$2.00 from every ticket the Knights of Columbus sell goes to the  
Women's Care Center on Orin Rd, in Madison.***

***Last year KofC's raised \$1,200.00 dollars with only 468 tickets.***

***\$1.00 goes towards the tailgate. The Burgers alone last year cost about \$1.18 each. Thanks to our Tailgate sponsors, we had more than enough food for all. Anyone interested in helping sponsor the Tailgate or to donate, please pray and consider donating.***

***Any moneys left over goes to the Women's Care center.***

***For more Info, Donations, to Sponsor or help with the Tailgate***

***Please contact***

***SK Charles Kazmer at 920-220-9149 or email [crkaz1@live.com](mailto:crkaz1@live.com)***

***Make Cheques Payable to: KofC Agent WCC Charity Fund***

***C/O KofC Agent WCC Charity Fund***

***220 Williams St.***

***Johnson Creek, WI 53038***

***May God Bless you all and Thank you for your support.***

***Donations to "The KofC Agent WCC Charity Fund" are not tax deductible.***