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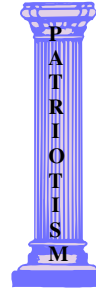
Wisconsin Knights of Columbus

Notes - January 2015

GO TO JOSEPH



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Editor: Timothy J. Guski



State Chaplain named: Sir Knight Very Reverend Richard "Father Rick" Heilman.

An acknowledged leader in the area of male spirituality; we look forward to Father Rick's continuing contributions to our Wisconsin jurisdiction enhanced by this new mission. Please welcome Father Rick to your State Officer Team. His Excellency, Robert C. Morlino, Bishop of Madison officially approved the appointment, following the installation of resigning State Chaplain Bishop Don Hying as Bishop of Gary, Indiana. Father Rick is the first State Chaplain from the Diocese of Madison since 1998. Fr. Rick is a Fourth Degree Knight who shepherds three parishes and is the Chaplain of two Councils, including Wisconsin's newest; *Three Hearts Council in Pine Bluff*. In addition to being the founder and spiritual leader of the men's apostate, "*The Knights of Divine Mercy*", and a regular guest on Relevant Radio's program, "*The Inner Life*," Fr. Rick faithfully attends meetings of both of his Councils. Additionally, when he isn't busy with the chaplain-

cy of a burgeoning home school association or leading a public Prayer Vigil he finds the time to lead many in our state through a vibrant Marian Consecration ministry. Throughout his 26-year Priesthood, Father Rick has been an unwavering supporter of the Knights of Columbus. **Vivat Jesus! Welcome Father Rick!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Training in Holiness

Lent, 2015

State Chaplain's Message

My Brother Knights,
I am humbled and honored to begin my journey with you as your State Chaplain. I take this mission very seriously, and I will do all I can to help us to continue to grow as strong Catholic men. As the largest lay organization in the world, the Knights of Columbus continue to be what Pope St. John Paul II called the "strong right arm of the Church." In 2011, Supreme Chaplain-Archbishop Lori said, "He spoke of the Knights as the strong right arm because these are the families that are promoting priestly and religious vocations, and he understood that the Knights, as their chivalrous name would indicate, step up and defend the Church whether it's bishops, priest or the Pope himself when it is appropriate to do so."

This is why I would like to begin our journey together by embracing the mission of our newly canonized saint, Pope St. John Paul II. The Supreme Head of the Knights of Columbus, Carl Anderson, said, "that the task of the laity is to ensure the mission of the late Pope lives on."

It was the spiritual devastation of the decades leading up to this century that compelled Pope John Paul II to draw up his *master plan* for the new millennium. In his plan, he emphasized the importance of "starting afresh from Christ": "No, we shall not be saved by a formula but by a Person." Thus, he called for pastoral initiatives that would focus on

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State Deputy's Message

My Dear Brother Knights
Last month I wrote to you about four very important relationships we have as Brother Knights. In these times in which we live, while we stand witness to the most widespread and violent persecution of Christians the world has ever seen, I am ever grateful for the relationship that is our brotherhood as we stand in defense of all that is pure and holy. Coming fresh off a weekend featuring Second, Third and Fourth Degree Exemplifications, I am encouraged by the good brother Knights who are stepping up their commitment to our Order. In these dark times, our Order is able to be a much needed source of light precisely because of men such as these, and our brothers who perform the exemplifications. Thank you.

This month I have three brief messages for you. The first is that no matter how long you have been a Knight there is something about our order that you will never understand or fully appreciate until you avail yourself of the opportunity to experience the Fourth Degree Exemplification. And after you do, you will sincerely wish to share the lesson of that degree with every Brother Knight. Yes, it is that compelling. But don't take my word for it. Go to www.wikofc.com to learn when and where you can share in this profound experience and commit to make it happen.

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(State Chaplain continued) "Training in Holiness" and "Schools of Prayer." St. Francis of Assisi affirms this training in holiness as the fundamental starting point: "Sanctify yourself and you will sanctify society."

Yes, as knights, we are being called to build the "Domestic Church," but that begins with our own sanctity; our own "training in holiness." We are being called to live with the heart of St. Joseph. We are being called to be the best fathers and husbands we can be. If we ever hope to sanctify society, it must begin with ourselves, and let that spread through our families (Domestic Church), and to the world.

I would like to invite all of my brother knights to join with me during Lent for a special "Training in Holiness." By signing up at the State Council website: www.wikofc.com, look for the [Training in Holiness](#) banner, each day during Lent, you will receive a brief reflection for this "Training in Holiness."

During this Training in Holiness, please pray for Pope Francis, the Catholic Church, our country, the Knights of Columbus and for the sanctity of yourselves and your families.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Go to Joseph!

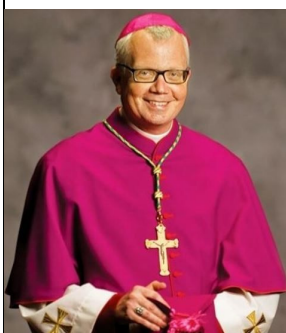
State Chaplain Very Rev. Richard Heilman, V.F.

(State Deputy continued) Next a little straight talk. Together, you and I contribute a good deal of our time and talent toward defending families from the persistent attacks of a culture that is increasingly unfriendly to our families, to our values, and to our Church. For those of you who are able to connect the dots, you know that the persistent attacks against our values are well funded. And some of that funding comes from OUR money!

But there is good news. The same money that is now working against us can work for us. Simply become an insurance member. We who have made that choice rejoice in the strength that allows our Order to respond with prosthetic limbs for children in Haiti, boats for fishermen in the Philippines, and smart homes for the most severely wounded veterans. But as great as those charitable acts are, what is most satisfying is knowing that every dime of our premiums and the resultant profits are working tirelessly to support our mission great, true to our Church and State. In these times of rampant and growing persecution of Christians, we need to be smart with our choices to avoid being one who inadvertently subverts our mission. Yes, it really is that important.

Finally, the good members of our Intellectual Disabilities Committee deserve our most sincere appreciation. Many have served for literally decades to improve the lives of those less fortunate among us. They will be the first to thank you for taking a shift for your council's tootsie roll fund drive, as it is informally known. They thank you despite the fact that they spend a great many hours making certain that the funds you raise are put to good use. They are so dedicated to their mission that they take their own sacrifice for granted. But we do not. We are sincerely grateful to them. You would do well to tell them.

Vivat Jesus my Brothers,



I know I speak for all of the Knights of Wisconsin when I express my sincere appreciation to His Excellency, **Bishop Donald Hying**, for his short but impactful service as our State Chaplain. We wish him all the success as the new Bishop of Gary IN. With every departure brings new beginnings, and so it gives me great joy to have the honor and privilege of making the announcement of our new State Chaplain Very Rev. Richard Heilman.



Ron Faust, State Deputy

Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, pray for us.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, pray for us.

Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus - 114th Annual Meeting and Convention

April 25 and 26, 2015

Radisson Hotel & Conference Center - Green Bay, Wisconsin

Ron Faust, State Deputy Presiding

State Deputy Ron Faust welcomes Knights and their families to participate in the Convention. Opening Mass, honoring Military and Civil Emergency Services personnel, commences Saturday, April 25th at 7:30 a.m. followed by a Welcome, Civic Opening and Awards Ceremony beginning at 8:45a.m. The 114th Annual Meeting will be called to order Saturday, April 26th, 2015 at 10:00a.m. We will celebrate Memorial Mass, offered for deceased Knights, Saturday at 4:00p.m. All Clergy in attendance are invited to celebrate with the Bishop. Saturday evening a 5:30 p.m. a Social will precede the State Deputy's Banquet which will be served at 7:00p.m. Register at <https://kofcknights.org/StateConventionSite/?CN=US&ST=W1>

Note: There have been changes made to the ladies program. The ladies brunch has been moved to Saturday instead of tours and Sunday Morning will offer a chance for ladies to socialize with hospitality provided.

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Our Marriage Prayer – Final Preparations!
World Marriage Day February 8th, 2015
www.ourmarriageprayer.com

Worthy Brother Knights!

The Our Marriage Prayer celebration on the weekend of February 8th is almost here!

For those looking for last minute information on how to celebrate the Our Marriage Prayer, please go to the web page <http://www.OurMarriagePrayer.com/Knights-of-Columbus>

Remember that the easiest way for your councils to share the Our Marriage Prayer with all your parishes is to get it in their bulletins! Please download the bulletin announcement from the **Important Documents** section at the bottom of the web page and send it to the parish coordinators. Check with your parishes to see what the deadline is for publishing announcements in their bulletin for the February 8th weekend. For some parishes it will be February 2nd and for others, it could be earlier.

For the parishes where your council celebrates the Our Marriage Prayer in person in any of the ways described on the web page, remember to take pictures for your history book!

By your council sharing the Our Marriage Prayer in each of your parishes, you can have a lasting positive impact on every married couple there. But more importantly, it can have a positive impact on their children as well. How awesome is that? Please contact me if you have any questions or have any feedback.

Let's make this a fantastic event!

The marriages you will treasure more than your own will be those of your children and grandchildren

Vivat Jesus, Viva Christo Rey!

(Jesus Lives, Long live Christ the King!)

Joe Uchytel 920-757-5138 - JUCHYTIL@outlook.com

DEFEND THEM ALL! **Culture of Life - Dan Miller**

January 22nd, 1973 will be eternally etched into a landscape of dates most Americans will never forget. Many Americans could tell you where they were on September 11th, 2001 – the 911 attacks. Then there was August 16th, 1977 – the day Elvis Presley died. America mourned on November 22nd, 1963 – the day John F. Kennedy was assassinated. December 7th, 1941 – “a day that will live in infamy” – the day Japan attacked Pearl Harbor. We remember these dates because they touched us deeply. We cannot forget, lest we allow history to repeat itself. We must remember them! Together with God, their memory is eternal for us as Americans and pro-life people.

Every January, pro-lifers from all over the world make a pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. at the March for Life to publicly exercise our 1st amendment free speech rights in protest of the catastrophically flawed decision made by the SCOTUS in the Roe v. Wade decision. Despite the feelings of awe and hope one experiences at this event – every year I hope and pray that we won't have to go next year.

Just because we are Knights and pro-life doesn't mean we aren't BUSY! Many organizations charter buses to attend the March for Life (M4L). If you can't be there because of the time commitment involved in getting on a bus for 32 hours (round trip) – the cost of getting lodging – and then to physically do the march, “I have a dream!” Know that I am working on chartering a plane for the 2016 M4L for Wisconsin Knights to voice their protest to the killing of our pre-born brothers and sisters in Christ! Stay tuned for more details!

Over 57 million American babies have been mercilessly slaughtered since that fateful Monday in 1973. 506,181 of those babies were from Wisconsin. God will judge us as a nation on how we treated the least of His children. May God have mercy on us for not doing more to end this atrocity.

“Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.” ~ Matthew 25:40

Through Christ,

Dan Miller, Culture of Life – State Coordinator
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State of Wisconsin: December 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	140	119	85.0	57	62	35	21	20	42.5
La Crosse	248	124	91	73.4	47	44	26	36	21	36.7
Madison	257	129	80	62.3	47	33	37	25	20	31.1
Milwaukee	401	201	124	61.8	40	84	30	39	20	30.9
Superior	139	70	34	48.9	26	8	33	18	11	24.5
Total	1325	663	448	67.6%	217	231	161	139	92	33.8%

Circle of Honor	Current Status (needed)	Circle of Honor Net	Circle of Honor Net/Net 100	Deceased Members
	1325	998	-204	
1325	448	231	-204%	435

31.44%

23.15%

Membership as of	Current Membership as of
7/1/2013	10/1/2014
36,616	36,412



SUPREME AND STATE CHURCH DRIVES

March 14-15: Honor Fr Michael J McGivney (dedicated to St. Joseph)
May all month: Honor Bishops (dedicated to Mary)

State Membership Coordinator - Jon Olson

Change The Perception of your Council

During this past Christmas season, I reflected on what we as Knights of Columbus are thought of in our community. Are we thought of as members of a clubhouse? Are we seen at all? What we are known for is a good thing to know, because what people see is what they think we always do.

Remember we were founded to help widows and orphans. We need to make sure that they are looked after and know that we are there to help. What was the last instance your council helped a widow or orphan? This act of charity is the foundation that we need to build on. More acts of charity in our community can make our councils noticed for something more than just individuals. We can be known as a force to bring a bright light to the darkness of despair and fear.

We can start changing perceptions by asking our parish "what do you need?". With that simple question we can turn away from programs that are not working, to programs that can succeed and help your community. Ask you Parish Priest if he has needs for him or the parish. Try your best to keep up to date on all parish activities. Make sure you have a presence in all of the programs that you parish does. Do not forget to wear something with our KC logo on it.

With a positive perception of your council and your council doing so many activities, your recruitment drives will be easier to bring in hopefully every eligible man in to the Knights of Columbus.

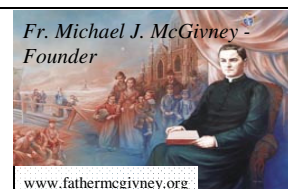
REMEMBER: ONE MEMBER, PER COUNCIL, PER MONTH

Jon Olson
State Membership

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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www.fathermcgivney.org

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A Special Message from the Supreme Council General Agents:

Insurance check-up for 2015



Where did 2014 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week. We hope you and your family had a great finish to 2014. Now, the first month of 2015 is speeding by. Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. We've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. We don't know exactly how this works, but we've heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. We recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and we should be among the first you sit with. Schedule some time to visit with us, your professional Knights of Columbus Agents, and we'll provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will quickly identify any gaps in your family's life insurance program. And you'll want to fill those gaps now, not later. Unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did we mention our check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could be providing value to you and your family for generations? Call us today.

Fraternally,

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

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Ed Knolmayer
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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.

State Family Coordinator -Larry Julson

I hope you all had a wonderful and glorious holiday season, and are now finishing your nominations, for the Family of the Year. Make sure that you include a completed, Family of the Year form, in your booklet. I am sure the Family of the Year Committee is looking forward to going over and selecting the families for the dioceses and selecting the State Family of the Year. This is a very exciting, challenging, and rewarding time for the committee, and this is a time when we get to see, what great Knight families we have in Wisconsin. The Family of the Year nominations should be submitted to me, by the 15th of February, 2015.

My address is:

Larry Julson
N47042 Semingson Rd.
Strum, WI 54770

State Family Coordinator -Larry Julson

November Diocesan Family of Month

Green Bay: Joy & Dan Des Jardins, Little Chute Council 10919 District 9
La Crosse: Delores & Francis Brown, Holmen Council 9385 District 25
Madison: Kelley & Sherrie Fahey, Barneveld Council 10905 District 52
Milwaukee: Gerald & Lou Ann Skelton, Lomira Council 12621 District 60
Superior: Roger & Sheila Pelzel, Hudson Council 1762 District 81



Your Council Website is ready for you to activate!

We have started to build an effective way to communicate on a statewide scale. However, as robust as the UKnight system is; it is only as good as the information presented and only as powerful as the number of councils active on the system. The State Council highly encourages each council in our jurisdiction to consider activating their UKnight interactive website to ensure that we are connected and together we will continue to grow our Order.

Please visit our new site www.wikofc.com and see how your council can become active. Brother Knight Leonard Labriola from UKnight will be contacting Grand Knights in our jurisdiction to offer each council the opportunity to become a part of the growing UKnight family. His purpose is to make himself available to support your effort to join our network of councils on the web. Please take time to work with Brother Knight Leonard Labriola. www.wikofc.com

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"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

Building the Domestic Church "The Family Fully Alive"

<http://www.kofc.org>

Because love is filled with hope when it is communicated, our family wants to promote the life-giving spirit of our families.

Whoever is moved by love begins to perceive what "life" really is. He begins to perceive the meaning of the word of hope that we encountered in the Baptismal Rite: from faith I await "eternal life" — the true life which, whole and unthreatened, in all its fullness, is simply life. Jesus, who said that he had come so that we might have life and have it in its fullness, in abundance, has also explained to us what "life" means: "this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent" (John 17:3). Life in its true sense is not something we have exclusively in or from ourselves: it is a relationship. And life in its totality is a relationship with him who is the source of life. If we are in relation with him who does not die, who is Life itself and Love itself, then we are in life. Then we "live."

Pope Benedict XVI
Spe Salvi, §7

1. How would our family life be different if we did not love at all?
2. In what areas has the faith and God's love shown me how to love?
3. Why is living in relationship with God so important to really "living"?



HOLY LEAGUE

Joining Forces in a Spirit of Marian Chivalry

<http://holyleague.com/>

"And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction." - Malachi 4:6

BATTLE READY on Special Mission: www.battlereadystrong.com/

February Psalm of the Month (Psalm 78)

Pray the Psalm of the Month during every Sunday of the month at your family prayer space.

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth!
I will open my mouth in a parable;
things that we have heard and known,
that our fathers have told us.
We will not hide them from their children,
but tell to the coming generation
the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,
and the wonders which he has wrought.

He established a testimony in Jacob,
and appointed a law in Israel,
which he commanded our fathers
to teach to their children;
that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,
and arise and tell them to their children,
so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget the works of God,
but keep his commandments.

To recoil before an enemy, or to keep silence when from all sides such clamors are raised against truth... such mode of behaving is base and is insulting to God... This kind of conduct is profitable only to the enemies of the faith, for nothing emboldens the wicked so greatly as the lack of courage on the part of the good... Christians are, moreover, born for combat."

- Pope Leo XIII, 'Christians as Citizens' -

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State Program Coordinator - Bill Frayer

Brother Knights,

As we begin the second half of our fraternal year, we remind you of the importance of getting those new members in here in January and February so that we can grow our Order and add needed new blood/ideas to our Councils and the State. Your church drives should be well under way, 1st Degrees set and activities all arranged to be opportunities for prospects/parishioners to participate as future Knights.

Reminder also that your Fraternal Surveys (1728) and Special Olympics Partnership form (4584) are due January 31. The semi-annual audit is due February 15. It's so very important that you get these in, on time! We'll be checking on these and contacting those Councils with any of them missing. Supreme reports for the Free Throw and Supreme Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contests are also due January 31.

Speaking of the Free Throw Contest, hopefully, your Council and District Free Throw Contests are progressing well! Likewise for the Council Knowledge Contests. Diocesan Contests should be in February or early March. Our State Knowledge and Free Throw Contests will be Saturday, March 28 at Assumption High School in Wisconsin rapids. Free Throw registration and practice will be 11 AM-Noon, competition starts at Noon. Math and Spelling registration will be Noon-1 PM with competition starting at 1 PM. All Diocesan results for all 3 contests should be sent to me as soon as possible in order to create accurate registration lists. Be sure that travel card are completely/accurately filled out at all levels!

Remember also that History Books are due to DDs by February 1 with them going on to Diocesan Program Coordinators after February 15.

All State/Supreme Service Program Award applications (form STSP) should be submitted to the State Office or State Program Director by February 15!

For January, our featured Supreme program is the "March for Life." Knights of Columbus Culture of Life programs are the very essence of being a Catholic and a foundation of the Order's principles. Respect for Life allows our Councils to stand in solidarity with our bishops, priests and our Church! There are national Marches for Life in virtually every country where the Order exists. The March for Life commemorates the anniversary of the Supreme Court's infamous Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion on January 22, 1973. The March is held annually in Washington, D.C. on or around January 22.

All knights, their families and other parishioners who are able to are urged to join the march! Councils can plan bus trips, train trips, drive or join with other organizations' trips. Knights should carry Council banners and K of C posters, wear jackets and other gear with the emblem of the Order and walk together to show the Order's support for the Right to Life!

Knights who can't get to Washington can participate in regional, state or local pro-life marches, State Culture of Life Directors/couples will have information on local activities sponsored or supported by Knights in their state. These are excellent ways to involve prospects and parishioners in Culture of Life activities.

Knights are urged to schedule prayer services for the unborn at government monuments or participate in other appropriate activities. Invite Squires Circles, Ladies auxiliaries, or parish pro-life groups, etc. to attend or co-sponsor. Councils can also plan parish/Council/community prayer services or memorial masses for the KC Day of Prayer for the Unborn (March 25), during Respect Life month (October) or at any other appropriate time.

As part of an organized Council program, with parish and community participation, at least 100 marchers must participate in a local, regional or national March for Life in order to qualify for the entire Culture of Life requirement for the Columbian Award. Good luck with your Culture of Life activities for 2015!

Vivat Jesus,
Bill Frayer
State Program Director

Intellectual Disabilities Committee (ID)

In the Council Packets from your District Deputy you will find all of the paperwork to order Tootsie Rolls for the 2015 campaign. Please return the Council Order Form to your District Deputy as soon as possible, which will allow the District Deputy to get the District Order Form turned in on time. If your council is in need of aprons please order the aprons through Developmental Service Center. As soon as you have completed your drive, fill out the Council Disbursement Form and mail it in with a check as instructed on the form. All forms are on the Wisconsin State Council Forms Page. www.wikofc.com

Tootsie Roll weekends will be held around the Wisconsin from April 16 through May 3. Start to contact your local businesses and parish priests to see which weekend works best for your council.

The ID Committee held their yearly committee meeting in January to disburse 25% of the Tootsie Roll monies raised during the 2014 campaign. The Committee will be disbursing \$158,000 to several of the 70 groups who applied for State Funding. We will not be able to assist all of the groups who applied, as the total application amount came in over \$575,000. Any council is able to assist groups in their area to apply for state funding in future years. Applications are accepted during: September, October, and November, with application instructions on the Wisconsin State Council Forms Page.

Mark Jelinek -ID Coordinator

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Guide to Writing an Effective Resolution

When do you need a resolution? The simple, but not complete answer to that question is “anytime you want to propose a new policy or make a significant revision or change to an existing policy or By-Law statement.” The resolution process is intended to enhance the fraternal character of our Order, to improve its governance and administration, and to serve its evangelical mission. It is not meant to be used to “send a message” to the State or Supreme Council or to challenge policies that have been affirmed at previous State or Supreme Conventions. While the State Council welcomes resolutions to be submitted in good faith and in the spirit of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity, we strongly discourage Councils from submitting resolutions challenging well settled policies of the Knights of Columbus and that represent the sound judgment of the Supreme Council.

Resolutions to be considered at the Annual Meeting of the State Council may only be submitted by a Subordinate Council, the State Deputy, the State Officers as a group, and by Standing State Committees. (Resolutions submitted by Standing State Committees must be germane to the work of that committee.)

A resolution is composed of two parts. The first part consists of one or more paragraphs setting forth the relevant facts and the rationale for the action that the delegates are being asked to take. Each paragraph in the first part begins with the word “**WHEREAS**,” each subsequent paragraph ends with “; **and**”. The second part consists of one or more paragraphs describing with specificity an action to be taken. The first paragraph of the second part of the resolution begins with the words “**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**;” any subsequent paragraphs begin with the words “**FURTHER RESOLVED**,”.

Example of a submitted Resolution:

WHEREAS, in 1882, Venerable Michael McGivney, a parish priest of St. Mary’s Parish in New Haven, Connecticut, envisioned the establishment of a fraternal society that would strengthen the faith of Catholic men and provide aid to their widows and families after their death; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1882, the Connecticut State Legislature officially approved and chartered this new organization called the Knights of Columbus, with its purpose of rendering pecuniary aid to its members and their families; rendering financial aid and assistance to the sick, disabled and needy; overcoming prejudice and bigotry against the Catholic population; and promoting religious, charitable, and social welfare activities; and

WHEREAS, Pope Benedict XVI, while celebrating Mass at St. Patrick’s Cathedral during his Apostolic journey to the United States in April of 2008, called Venerable Michael McGivney an “exemplary American priest ... whose vision and zeal led to the establishment of the Knights of Columbus;”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that we will pray for the beatification of our founder, the Venerable Michael McGivney, and encourage all Brother Knights and their families to become active members of the Father Michael McGivney Guild; and be it,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be submitted for adoption by the Supreme Council.

Following these guidelines will enable the Resolutions Committee to perform its duties. Resolution submission is due to the State Advocate no later than February 1st, 2015 to be considered at the 114th State Convention in April 2015.

If you have any questions or concerns about submitting a resolution please call or email your State Advocate

Jack Wrbanich (920) 465-3485 or jwrbanich@wikofc.com

Worthy District Deputies,

On behalf of our State Deputy, I wish to convey the following information and ask for your assistance in obtaining information from your assigned Councils regarding **Home Corporations**.

Supreme Council Resolution No. 340 “SUBORDINATE UNIT OBLIGATION TO HAVE TERMS OF USE AGREEMENT AND CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT IN PLACE WITH HOME CORPORATIONS” was approved at the 2014 Supreme Convention in Orlando, FL. The resolution stipulates that all Subordinate Units (Councils) using premises of Home Corporations for meetings and other functions must have a signed terms of use agreement and a charitable distribution agreement (collectively the “Model Agreements”) in place with the Home Corporation. “Home Corporation” is a generic term for what are variously known as Permanent Homes, Home Associations, Council Halls, Columbus Clubs, KC Clubs, Knights of Columbus Clubs, etc.

In order to ensure that each of our Council which use Home Corporation facilities have access and are made aware of the new policy, it is requested that each District Deputy report which councils currently have an association with a Home Corporation.

State Advocate -Jack Wrbanich

Father McGivney Prayer

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Father Michael J. McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify your venerable servant Father Michael J. McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

2015 Knowledge Contest

Council Level

The countdown to the State Contest at Assumption H.S. in Wisconsin Rapids has begun. Participating councils may obtain **master copies** of the **2015 Math and Spelling Contest Booklets and Answer Sheets from their District Deputies AFTER the December D.D. Meeting**. Be sure to fill in the **Council and District Numbers** and the **Diocese** on the **COVER PAGE** of each Master Copy **BEFORE** you have the booklets printed!

Council Knowledge Contests must be completed by **February 15th** and the **First Place winners** and the **number of participants at each grade level must be submitted** to the **Diocesan Coordinator promptly!** Use the Knowledge Contest Report Forms on the State Council Web Site or create your own Spread Sheet.

1. "Double" winners in Math, Spelling or Free Throw Shooting must choose ONE event at the Diocesan level.
2. Winners advancing to the Diocesan Contest must be given a TRAVEL CARD to be shown at the registration table and to be used to gain admission to the contest room. The cards are to be collected after the contestants have filled out the cover page of the contest booklet.
3. Efforts should be made to send **an alternate** (the 2nd Place winner) if the 1st Place winner opts out of the Diocesan Contest.

Diocesan Level

The **place, date** and **times** of all **Diocesan Contests** must be made known to all participating councils so that **NO** eligible contestants miss their opportunity to compete!

Diocesan Coordinators – Your Diocesan Contests must be held by **March 15, 2015**. The tentative date of the State Contest makes this change necessary!

1. First and Second Place winners at the Diocesan Level are eligible for ONE event at the State Contest.
2. Each contestant must have a specific TRAVEL CARD with them when they register for the State Contest.
3. Diocesan Coordinators must make sure that their winners have enough time to make travel arrangements for the State Contest.
4. Arrange for **alternates** if necessary in a timely manner.

State Level

This contest will be held on **Saturday, March 28, 2015**. I respectfully ask **Diocesan Coordinators** to send me the names of their **First and Second Place Winners** and the **number of Council Participants at each grade level PROMPTLY!!** By all means use **E-mail if you prefer to use a spread sheet instead of the Diocesan Report Forms**. Please fill out the TRAVEL CARDS for the State Contest **completely and accurately**. Contact Bill Frayer for the times for REGISTRATION and the start of the CONTEST. With everyone's cooperation this State Council Youth Program will be a success. Your efforts are sincerely appreciated.

EVERY EFFORT MUST BE MADE TO KEEP ALL CONTEST MATERIALS SECURE AT EVERY CONTEST LEVEL!

Peter J. Schulteis, State Coordinator - Knowledge Contest

414-355-4094

peterschulteis@att.net

Western Wisconsin District 4th Degree Exemplification February 7, 2015

Saint Olaf's Parish Center
623 Jefferson Street
DeForest, WI 53532

For more information you can contact:
District Master Ronald J. Shymanski,
951 15th Street South
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
(715)423-0939
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

MARIAN HOUR OF PRAYER

December 14, 2014 - January 31, 2015

Schedule

(follow schedule using 2013-2014 Districts)

Icon #1

Icon #2

Icon #3

11-Jan-15 through 31-Jan-15

District 41

District 60



Attention Madison Diocese Councils

Council program forms (free throw, Christmas poster, knowledge contest) should be forwarded to Richard Schwartz.

Richard A. Schwartz (Gayle)
6120 Century Avenue #106
Middleton, WI 53562
(608) 831-1462 - rgschwartz51@yahoo.com

District Deputies, Please bring the icon to the State Convention. Those who wish to receive the icon between now and State Convention communicate your wishes to State Advocate - Jack Wrbanich (920) 465-3485 or jwrbanich@wikofc.com

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

History Book, Coordinator - Charlie Silver

Brother Knights,

I learned how to find the forms. I am sure someone told me, but there is nothing like doing it yourself. For all I know it's been this way since the last History Book competition.

Get to the home page and directly under the picture of the State Office is a button – STATE FORMS. Hit that and provides a list by service program area. The History Book is Under COUNCIL. The 2014 and 2014 forms are posted. Only use the 2015 form for this year. The current History Book is for 2014. I know that sounds pretty simple reasoning, but I have found to never be surprised at the questions to be asked.

2014 History Book

The 2014 book is for the CALENDAR year 2014.

Both an Excel and PDF version is available in the Programs section on the State website.

There is a 100 point bonus for using the correct form.

Council's using their own form or older versions risk missing points available on the current form.

The Photo Section is the primary location to award points for photos, newspaper articles, etc. The team makes every attempt to award points for pictures outside this section, but they could be missed. Pictures throughout the book help make the book attractive and interesting, but also much more difficult to judge.

2015 History Book

The 2015 form will be available soon after January 1 in the Program section on the State website. Please note that a change is being made to the Telephone section to add email communication. The final version of that will not be available till later in 2015.

District Deputies

Grading Forms are available on the State Website in the Program section.

Books are due to you by 2/15.

Graded Books are due to your diocesan program director by 3/1.

PLEASE MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO FOLLOW THIS SCHEDULE. Final judging will take place on 3/21.

Grading HINT: On page "D" at the bottom, you can enter 1) Your top programs for 10 points; 2) If you entered it for the [Supreme Service Program](#) you get 10 more points. Note, we check if you did or not.

By doing the history book competition and the 10 year supplement, I have read about the great programs the councils in Wisconsin do year after year. Please consider completing the Supreme Program Service form ([STSP](#)) in the 6 different areas, Council, Church, Family, Culture of Life, Community and Youth. First, it lets the State Officers see the great things your council does, but you might also get recognition from Supreme for your council and Wisconsin. Last year, my council in Hudson won 4th place nationally for a program that your council probably does as well.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS - TEAM WISCONSIN 2018

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

PLEASE fill out form 4584

We all contribute time and energy to Special Olympics. If your council donates part of their Tootsie Roll check to Special Olympics, they have donated time to Special Olympics. **ALL COUNCILS**, Please fill form 4584 out so we may get the most back from Supreme.

If you just fill the form out and send it to Supreme, we will get credit!!!!

If you need dollar totals for your council, I have them. I will be sending reminder e-mails with dollar amounts, if I do not have a copy of your 4584, Contributions to Special Olympics. **Each of us is needed to achieve our \$100,000 commitment to Special Olympics.** Councils and Assemblies may donate from their General Funds, Charity funds, Recycling income, Tootsie Roll refunds, as well as **Special Project receipts.**

All donations are preferably run through the **Knights of Columbus Charity account**, which is a 501(c) (3) account. Councils, Corporations, Foundations, individuals, and members donations are then tax deductible.

Please, Checks should be made out to: **Wis K of C Charities.**

And be mailed to; Bryce Lisowski

Knights of Columbus, Special Olympics Coordinator

S 1345 County Road NN

Alma, WI 54610

God Bless you for all you do for our Faith, our Order, and for Special Olympics
Bryce Lisowski, Special Olympics - State Coordinator



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

March 2 - 3955 De Pere
March 16 - 10243 Green Bay

La Crosse

February 16 - 6585 Bloomer
March 2 - 974 Chippewa Falls
April 20 - 6585 Bloomer

Milwaukee

January 26 - 13733 Big Bend
February 11 - 6646 Brown Deer
February 24 - 4706 Whitefish Bay
March 17 - 5438 Theinsville
April 7 - 605 Beloit
April 8 - 6646 Brown Deer

Madison

February 5 - 9230 Janesville
March 12 - 10363 Janesville

Superior

April 18 - 1762 Hudson

Second Degrees: Unity

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
January 31	9:30am	3562	Hartland	Timothy Donlin	(262)573-3916
February 15	1:00pm	10914	Onalaska	William Jaekel	(608)792-6757
February 21	9:30am	5514	Neenah	Charles Rohr	(920)540-4486
March 1	12:30pm	1840	Prarie du Chien	Mark Jelinek	(608)604-9302
March 14	10:00am	664	Fond du Lac	Dick Taddey	(920)602-0011
March 15	11:00am	3955	De Pere	Joe Dutkiewicz	(920)217-6104
April 18	10:00am	1762	Hudson	Mike Frase	(715)381-8444

Third Degrees: Fraternity

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
January 31	11:00am	3562	Hartland	Timothy Donlin	(262)573-3916
February 15	2:30pm	10914	Onalaska	William Jaekel	(608)792-6757
February 21	11:00am	5514	Neenah	Charles Rohr	(920)540-4486
March 1	12:30pm	1840	Prarie du Chien	Mark Jelinek	(608)604-9302
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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>
February 7, 2015	Deforest	Western District	(715) 423-0939
April 11, 2015	Appleton	Eastern District	(262) 246-4232

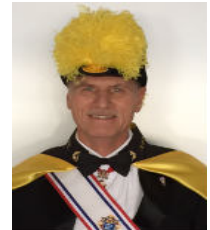


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Badger Bulletin



Thank You! Peggy and Bob

After 20 years of service to Pro-Life Wisconsin Peggy Hamill is retiring. Thank You Peggy for your service to Life, in the name of Christ. And, to her husband, our Brother Knight Bob - Thank You for your support and commitment to Life!



A Tribute to Peggy Hamill

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mRJ44gjFxJE>



Sir Knight Dan Miller, Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Culture of Life State Coordinator has been named to succeed Peggy Hamill as Pro-Life Wisconsin Director

Dan Miller
State Director
Pro-Life Wisconsin



Current KofC head for the Culture of Life Committee, veteran sidewalk counselor and longtime coordinator of 40 Days for Life, Miller brings years of experience in organizing and inspiring pro-lifers to defend the dignity of every human person. Miller will be responsible for all Pro-Life Wisconsin outreach, educational, and legislative initiatives related to Pro-Life Wisconsin's ongoing mission to protect human life without compromise and without exception. **Congratulations Dan!**

www.prolifewisconsin.org



Knights of Columbus
FOURTH DEGREE
Patriotic degree of the Order.

Eastern District 4th Degree Honored Sir Knight Richard Garvey and his Lady Elaine at the Exemplification in Burlington January 17th



Eastern Master Chuck Andrychowicz and his Lady Barbara congratulate Honoree Richard Garvey and his Lady Elaine.



Our Marriage Prayer Sunday
February 8, 2015

www.ourmarriageprayer.com

*Lord, help us to remember when we first met
and the strong love that grew between us.
To work that Love into practical things
so that nothing can divide us.
We ask for words both kind and loving
and hearts always ready to ask for forgiveness
as well as to forgive.
Dear Lord,
we put our marriage into Your hands. Amen*

Badger Bulletin



"Faith in action is love, and love in action is service. By transforming that faith into living acts of love, we put ourselves in contact with God Himself, with Jesus our Lord." - Mother Teresa



A Stairway to the Lake

Knights of the Lakes Council 12609 Balsam Lake came together to build a stairway for the mother of Fr. Thomas Thompson, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Superior. Fr. Thompson's mother Ozzie had no access to the lake from her home after the passing of her husband. Knights from Council 12609 contributed 168 man hours building the stairs that consists of 5 platforms and 35 steps spanning a drop of over 30 feet. Grand Knight, Jim Otto commented, "It's great to see Ozzie at the dock for the first time in three years."



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Saturday, March 7, 2015

St. Pius X Parish • 500 W Marquette Street • Appleton, WI
Registration begins at 7am; Conference at 8am; Mass at 4pm | Register online at EstoVir.com

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Steve Ray, Catholic Convert

Curtis Martin, FOCUS

Chuck Neff, Relevant Radio

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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August 1st, 2015, Game time 6:05pm

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Sponsored by:

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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 31st, 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

\$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

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.

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