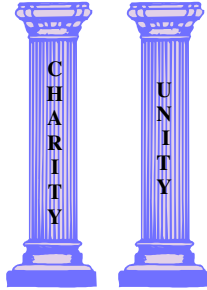


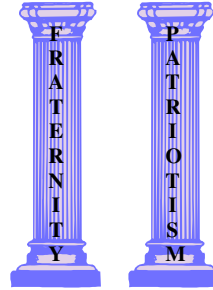


One Nation Under God!



Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes - November 2014

GO TO JOSEPH



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Editor: Timothy J. Guski

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



State Deputy Ron Faust

My Dear Brother Knights

As I write this Wisconsin is competing vigorously with other jurisdictions in our division. At 28% of goal, we are only 3.85% from overtaking Maryland for 4th place! It has been awhile since Wisconsin has been ahead of the likes of Iowa and Indiana. Thank you to each and every one of you who is bringing brothers into our fold, and to each and every one of you who is reaching out to brothers already in our fold as we strive to rebuild our Church by doing what is at hand for us, namely [Building the Domestic Church](#). We truly do have a "mission great", as we sing in

our closing ode.

Your leadership team will soon gather for a weekend in Wisconsin Rapids. There we will all focus on how we can best forward our great mission, including how we can support our order's many spiritual and corporal acts of mercy. After that meeting your leaders will bring the same message, in an abbreviated form, to their District Meeting. Worthy Grand Knights, please plan to attend those District Meetings scheduled by your District Deputy. If you are not able to attend personally, it is very important that you send representation from your council. We are all better when we are all running the same play! It helps to be in the huddle together.

One of the things that will be laid out in the coming meeting will be concrete steps that we can take in each parish to build men into strong spiritual leaders in their families, in the model of Good Saint Joseph. The mass exodus of men from Sunday Mass happened one man at a time. We pray that God will reward our work of helping men to join us as Practical Catholics, one man at a time.

Since last writing to you my wife Gail and I have had the privilege of twice visiting the [National Shrine of Saint John Paul II](#). His steadfast faith in the face of immense trials is inspiring! My sincere wish is that each of you has the opportunity to participate in a pilgrimage to this shrine, which is the work of our own great order. How appropriate that the order founded by Father Michael J. McGivney to support the domestic church should make this shrine of "The Pope of the Family" available to all of the faithful. And when you organize this pilgrimage for your council, or for your district, remember to invite every brother knight to join you. Especially those you haven't seen in a while; those the knights of your council's retention committee are calling twice a year to stay in touch with. I am sure that our dear Father McGivney would want us to do all that we can to live out our "Vocation to Fraternity."

One practical way that we can live that out is to change the culture of our retention committees by helping them to call every Brother Knight twice a year; once on their birthday and once on the anniversary of their First Degree exemplification. Clearly, to maintain our Vocation to Fraternity requires us to, on a personal level, keep the lines of communication open with our brothers to: 1) find out if they are OK; 2) ask if there is anything we can do for them; 3) let them know that their human dignity is respected (birthday call); and 4) that they are valued just as much today as the day they were exemplified into the First Degree of our Order (anniversary call).

Vivat Jesus! Ron Faust, State Deputy

Go To Joseph!

Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, pray for us. Saint John Paul II, pray for us.

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.

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State of Wisconsin: October 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	94	78	83.6	54	24	47	16	15	27.9
La Crosse	248	83	51	61.7	32	19	43	22	14	20.6
Madison	257	86	43	50.2	39	4	47	17	14	16.7
Milwaukee	401	134	86	64.3	31	55	44	27	17	21.4
Superior	139	47	23	49.6	21	2	37	14	10	16.5
Total	1325	442	173	63.6%	177	104	218	96	70	21.2%

Circle of Honor	Current Status (needed)	Circle of Honor Net	Circle of Honor Net/Net 100	Deceased Members
	1325	998	-167	
1325	281	104	-167%	271

19.72%

10.42%



One Member Per Council Per Month
One Recruitment Drive Per District Per Month
One First Degree Per District Per Month

Membership as of 7/1/2013	Current Membership as of 10/1/2014
36,616	36,449

State Membership Coordinator - Jon Olson

As November comes around I am reminded that we as Wisconsinites we live through 4 seasons. Granted that some seasons seem to last longer than others, but we still have constant change in our weather. Also some very bad weather could hit a section of the state and not hit another like the November storm we had in the beginning half of this month. That compares to how some councils have been recruiting and have great success, but other councils have not had any success in bringing new brothers into our order. However as the weather changes, so can we. Councils can change and redouble their efforts to recruit. We can have a bright sunny day of recruitment drives and bring in dozens of new members. Yes friends, we can create our own weather. A weather system of constant fronts that bring a shower of recruitment drives to lead us to a bright sunny day of first degrees. We can fight back the cold snaps of members disinterested in the knights by have new programs to create excitement and entertainment to fight back those clouds of negativity and bring back the feeling of warmth that comes from being part of an order designed around charitable works.

This past month we have gained a few members back from the NET/NET section (-191 to -167), and we should continue on that path. We need more councils in active recruiting. Just not waiting for the order-wide blitz twice a year, but have constant recruiting efforts like helping in a church function and asking fellow Catholic men if they are member of the Knights of Columbus. We could also ask parents at youth functions to see if they want that function to continue with their help. Make every effort to impress on to everyone that these events do not happen without brother Knights to run them. If you do not take up this task, who will?

Finally, please keep in mind that our upcoming Christmas season is a special time for Catholics and Christians. I ask all of you to act like St. Joseph and put forth the effort like he did and do God's will. To rally our Catholic brothers under the banner of the Knights of Columbus. To bring Charity to everyone and have them know God loves them and wants us to help each other.

"Freedom requires conviction; conviction does not exist on its own, but must always be gained anew by the community."

Pope Benedict XVI

"The Family is the model place where the faith is transmitted to new generations, or where Christian values are lived."

Carl A. Anderson, Supreme Knight

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

When someone shares something of value with you and you benefit from it, you have a moral obligation to share it with others.

Building the Domestic Church "The Family Fully Alive"

<http://www.kofc.org>

Holy Hour
Friday, December 5th at 6:00pm
Ss' Peter and Paul Parish, Wisconsin Rapids

Because the family that prays together stays together, we want to learn to pray as a family.

Prayer needs to become a regular habit in the daily life of each family. Prayer is thanksgiving, praise of God, asking for forgiveness, supplication and invocation. In all of these forms the prayer of the family has much to say to God.

St. John Paul II
Letter to Families, §10

Mary appears therefore as the supreme model of personal participation in the divine mysteries. She guides the Church in meditating on the mystery celebrated and in participating in the saving event, by encouraging the faithful to desire an intimate, personal relationship with Christ in order to cooperate with the gift of their own life in the salvation of all....

We could add that for the People of God, Mary represents the model of every expression of their prayer life. In particular, she teaches Christians how to turn to God to ask for his help and support in the various circumstances of life.

Her motherly intercession at the wedding in Cana and her presence in the Upper Room at the Apostles' side as they prayed in expectation of Pentecost suggest that the prayer of petition is an essential form of cooperation in furthering the work of salvation in the world. By following her model, the Church learns to be bold in her asking, to persevere in her intercessions and, above all, to implore the gift of the Holy Spirit.

St. John Paul II
Audience, Sept. 10, 1997, §4-5

1. *During my day, what are some times when I could take a minute to "touch base" with God through prayer, perhaps asking his help or simply thanking him for his love and his presence?*
2. *Just as talking can build a relationship, the different kinds of prayer mentioned are all ways to grow closer to God. What type makes me most aware that God is near and a part of this life he has given me?*
3. *How is our family touched and shaped by the prayers of all of its members?*



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/

December Psalm of the Month (Psalm 84)

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

How lovely is thy dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!
My soul longs, yea, faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.
Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,

where she may lay her young,
at thy altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.
Blessed are those who dwell in thy house,
ever singing thy praise!
On the last Sunday of the month, discuss as a
family which verse stood out most for each member.

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

State Family Coordinator - Larry Julson

For all of you that are coming to the Winter D.D. Meeting, I am going to have some questions about Tootsie Roll Pops, so if you have some spare time, give them a thought.

Have you heard the voice of God?

Have you heard the voice of God? What does it sound like?

Is it bold and boisterous, and is it full of might?

I know I have heard the voice of God, He speaks to me each day,
His voice is sweet, and calm and nice, and guides me on my way.

The warm sunshine comes through the trees, and hits me on my face

It gives me strength, to carry on, through the daily race.

Has the voice of God touched you, as you spend His time?

Have you used it wisely and treated your neighbor kind?

Do you use the talents, God gives you each day,

To his greater glory, and to Him you pray.

Are you one that takes the, time and talents given,

And hide them deep within yourself, so that no one sees them.

Take the time and talents, they are precious here for life,

Spend them freely but carefully, they are our eternal life.

So when you hear the voice of God, answer with a yes,

That's the word that starts the feeling, of being just so precious.

Remember - What would Jesus Do?

State Family Coordinator Larry Julson

September Diocesan Families of the Month

Green Bay Diocese: Jeff & Sue Griesbach, Hortonville Council 7895 District 5

La Crosse Diocese: Samuel & Judy Schmirler, Westby Council 7096 District 23

Madison Diocese: Steve & Joann Deal, Barneveld Council 10905 District 52

Milwaukee Archdiocese: Larry Sabish, Kewaskum Council 11301 District 61

Superior Diocese: Dennis & Barbara Ashbeck Council 2963 District 86



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

State Program Coordinator - Bill Frayer

Brothers,

I hope that your Fall programs have gone well and that your planning for your Winter programs is well underway! Be sure to use your planning calendars. Remember to make every effort to utilize parishioners, parents, prospects, etc. in your programs as you strive for 1 Member per Council per Month!

Thanks to the Marshfield Council for hosting the State PPK/Soccer Contests on November 1. They went really well. The results should be in this month's or next month's State Deputy Notes. For next year, we really need to work on getting more Councils to host these contests locally and to get more competitors from southeastern Wisconsin!

For this month's featured program, I'd like to focus on Special Olympics. As part of our ongoing goal to provide financial, spiritual and emotional support to those less fortunate, the Knights of Columbus has been a strong supporter of Special Olympics since its inception. Our intent is to help the games not only become stronger, but to spread to new countries and communities so that more people can benefit from their positive, uplifting example. We believe that Special Olympics is unparalleled in its ability to show the intrinsic worth and dignity of every

human being. The games don't just build strength and character among the athletes and participants; it only takes a few moments with the competitors to be inspired by their determination and the true sense of God's love!

We, in Wisconsin, have done a great job in supporting Special Olympics both through the "Team Wisconsin Drive" and our financial/time support given to Special Olympics at local, state levels. Hopefully, we can continue and increase this during 2014-15. Since Special Olympics is a year-round program, Knights and parishioners

can provide volunteer support at both summer and winter games, and in training athletes in preparation for competitions. Volunteers can staff information centers, food courts and other support functions, assist at both competitions and awards presentations. In the last 3 years, Knights have contributed over \$7.7 million and 670,000 hours of volunteer service in support of this program! And that's just the information from reports that are actually filed. Remember also that the camaraderie that volunteering with Special Olympics provides will help convince prospects to join our ranks! You may also wish to host a "Thank you" or "Open House" reception for all volunteers who gave of their time and talent. Let all, especially non-members, know how much their efforts are appreciated and that prospects are welcome/needed in your Council! Any Council with 200 or more hours of support and \$2000 raised during the years for Special Olympics fulfills the entire category of Council activities for your Columbian Award!

Remember also that your Culture of Life Essay winners were due to your DD November 15, Lifesavers for Life reports should be in and your "True Meaning of Christmas" Posters are due to your DD by January 1. Ginny and I wish you all a most blessed, Happy Thanksgiving!

Vivat Jesus, Bill Frayer State Program Director

Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

A Special Message from the Supreme Council General Agents:

The pitfalls of replacing coverage

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

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

First, all life insurance contracts contain a *contestability period*, which allows the insurer to contest claims made for a period — typically two years — after the contract is issued. Chances are this is no longer an issue with your current coverage.

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

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



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

Fraternally,

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2014-2015 CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

All students in Grades 1 – 4 in private or public schools or who are home schooled are eligible to submit entries. (Grades 5 & 6 may be included but only at the council level.)

Admittedly the theme “The True Meaning of Christmas” results in numerous scenes of the Holy Family in the stable. While this may compromise originality, a manger scene of high artistic quality will certainly catch the eye of many judges. Past winning entries have focused on the Baby Jesus, the Madonna and Child, or the Magi on their journey to Bethlehem. Others emphasized family gatherings, a country church on Christmas Eve, Peace on Earth or incorporated Christmas carols.

COUNCIL LEVEL

December 1st to December 15th Several councils recommended that the contest should begin after the First Sunday in Advent rather than before Thanksgiving. This later starting date corresponds with the season of Advent and makes the contest more timely!

Please use the official Identification Label found in the Wisconsin Book or on the KC web site. Be sure to fill in the COUNCIL and DISTRICT NUMBERS and the DIOCESE. Only FIRST PLACE WINNERS at the council level are eligible for Diocesan competition. Grand Knights/Contest Chairmen must record the winners’ names and the number of entries at each grade level on the official poster contest report forms or on your own spread sheet. Send them to the Diocesan Program Coordinator by Dec. 30, 2014. This later deadline enables councils to display their posters at Christmas parties, or other venues if they wish.

DIOCESAN LEVEL

Diocesan Program Coordinators are obliged to send their 1st and 2nd place winners along with the DIOCESAN total number of council participants at each grade level to the State Poster Contest Coordinator by January 15, 2015. Diocesan awards should be mailed to the winners and the results should be sent to each District Deputy to be forwarded to participating councils.

STATE LEVEL

The 12 winning posters will be displayed at our 2054 State Convention. State awards and these posters will be mailed to each winner.

EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO RETURN ENTRIES AT ALL LEVELS PROMPTLY!

Peter J. Schulteis, Christmas Poster Contest Coordinator

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Our Marriage Prayer - World Marriage Day February 8th, 2015

www.ourmarriageprayer.com

Hello Brother Knights!

We are down to 2 months away from celebrating the Our Marriage Prayer weekend on February 8th, 2015!

Last month, we looked at how to celebrate this event. This month, we are going to look at what tools are available to help you have a successful event.

Everything you will need is available on the <http://www.ourmarriageprayer.com/Knights-of-Columbus> web page. Here you will find:

Checklists for the District Deputy and for the council

Instructions on how to cover all of the parishes in your councils with the knights you have available

Documents you can download

What can be put published in the church bulletin

What can be said during church

What can be handed out at the end of mass if so desired

Order forms for prayer cards

Training video on how to hold an Our Marriage Prayer event

Although we had about 70 councils participate last year, we highly encourage all councils to participate this year in celebrating this beautiful event. Since this will be the first time celebrating this event for many councils, I highly encourage the council to start out a pace they feel comfortable with this year and expand their involvement in the years to come.

Here is a simple strategy for how each council can get started

Have the Our Marriage Prayer published in bulletins of each of the parishes they support

Choose your largest parish and focus on that one for this year

Have as many knights participate in all the masses for that parish as possible

If you have vests you can wear during the event, it will give your council recognition among the parishioners and it will have a great impact on the congregation as they see the number of knights participating in the different aspects of the mass.

By fully celebrating the Our Marriage Prayer at one parish and encouraging the couples to pray the Our Marriage Prayer each night in front of their children, hopefully the council members will see the long term vision of the impact they are having on the parish couples and their families. Gaining this vision will hopefully encourage them to be able to hold the Our Marriage Prayer event at their next largest parish next year as well.

Hopefully by now your council has identified someone that can help lead this event on February 8th, 2015. If not, it is not too late to get started. Please visit the website for everything you need to know and please contact me if you have any questions.

(920-757-5138, JUCHYTIL@outlook.com) Let's make this a fantastic event!

Vivat Jesus, Viva Christo Rey! Joe Uchytel

"Helping People with Intellectual Disabilities"

The Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus has released the final figures of their recent Tootsie Roll Drive to "Helping People with Intellectual Disabilities". The 2014 program raised in excess of \$655,000.00. Local councils will distribute in their immediate area over \$445,000 of these funds to local groups and organization that assist the intellectually disabled. The State Committee will have available an additional \$150,000 to distribute through their grant application process.

Organizations that work with People with Intellectual Disabilities are encouraged to submit applications for these funds to the Wisconsin State Knights of Columbus.

Grant applications can be directed to:

Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus

% Mark Jelinek, State Chairman

120 North Park Street

Richland Center, WI 53581

Fifteen (15) copies of the application are necessary and must be submitted by December 1, 2014. Applications must be written on your organizations letterhead and must contain the following information: an exact amount of money needed for the project or service, what the money will purchase or provide and how many individuals will be directly served by the grant.

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Building a Culture of Life

Brothers in Christ,

The Lifesavers4Life project was a great success! Thank you for participating in this lifesaving endeavor! While standing out in the cold, begging for donations, know that your effort makes a huge difference in creating a Culture of Life! Focus on the Cross and your aches and pains will be comforted by Christ. Your very presence in doing so says you are a man of faith and conviction! You may never see how your time and effort has saved lives and souls – but God will let you know when you see Him in the next life! This work we do has retirement benefits THAT ARE OUT OF THIS WORLD! The end-game is putting abortion behind us in the history books. That’s the goal – nothing less.

The Culture of Life Grant donations are pouring in! Thank you! I just received mine – so safe to say they are either in your mailbox or on the way very soon. They don’t look like much – so don’t toss it! The return address is from the State Council in Madison. Keep an eye out for it, stuff your check and information slip into the provided return envelope, seal it shut, slap a stamp and put it in the mailbox! If every Knight gave just \$10 – we’d have over \$370,000 to give to pro-life organizations that are making a HUGE IMPACT on the culture. Last year, we had over \$250,000 in grant requests – but only around \$80,000 to give away. You can change that! These pro-life organizations are top-notch experts in doing what they do, sometimes with unpaid volunteers. We may not be able to volunteer for them, but together, the Knights of Columbus will help them in some way. This is one of those ways! Take advantage of it!

VOLUNTEER BOARD OPPORTUNITIES! Two of our Culture of Life Grant recipients are looking for board members! You don’t need to be ‘well-heeled’ – just have a passion for saving pre-born children’s lives through their mission. Here’s their contact information:

Fran O’Meara Helpline. They are looking for a director/coordinator. Contact Nancy Francis at klayart@aol.com, call at home [262-246-9960](tel:262-246-9960) or cell [262-844-4682](tel:262-844-4682). Their website is: <http://abortionthefacts.com/> Nancy would be happy to answer any questions you or a friend may have about the position.

Life’s Connection – Mukwonago, WI. This pregnancy resource center is EXPANDING into Waukesha! God willing, right across the street from Planned Parenthood! They need board members! Call the center director, Krys Crawley at 262-844-7658, email kryscrawley@aol.com - website: <http://www.lifesconnection.org/> They are on fire for saving babies! If you live in that area, you are DEFINITELY going to want to get involved with this organization!

Your brother through Our Blessed Mother,

Dan Miller, Culture of Life – State Coordinator
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District 65 Ultrasound Initiative

We are in the midst of raising funds for the 16th Ultrasound machine in Wisconsin. It will go in a women’s crisis center being established across the street from Planned Parenthood in Waukesha. District 65 has done a few fund raisers. One was a Fish Fry (\$900) and a pig roast on Oct 19th at Council 1709’s clubhouse. We have a Halloween party (Nov. 8th) and Valentine’s Day dance (Feb. 14th) planned. We have also received donations from some councils, a woman’s auxiliary and some individuals. Our balance to date is \$2,525.00 on our way to \$16,000, Supreme pays the other half. We can use all the help we can get. There is also a need for a 2nd machine at a different facility.

I am asking for a donation from Council Charity accounts or individual donor. Together we can make this happen. Please be generous.

LET’S HELP PROTECT THE UNBORN. Thanks for all you do.

District 65 Ultrasound fund Chairman, Dave Grau,
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Make Checks payable to: KofC District 65 Ultrasound Initiative
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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

MARIAN HOUR OF PRAYER

November 9, 2014 - January 31, 2015

Schedule

(follow schedule using 2013-2014 Districts)

<u>Icon #1</u>	<u>Icon #2</u>	<u>Icon #3</u>
<u>9-Nov-14</u>	<u>through</u>	<u>13-Dec-14</u>
District 52	District 61	District 30
<u>14-Dec-14</u>	<u>through</u>	<u>10-Jan-15</u>
District 40	District 62	District 24
<u>11-Jan-15</u>	<u>through</u>	<u>31-Jan-15</u>
District 41	District 60	



KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS YARD SIGN PROGRAM

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2nd & 4th Thursday, 7:00P.M.

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Oh Fallen Knight,

Oh Fallen Knight, you may rest at ease,
your tasks complete.
Your arms tired of carrying the poor,
the sick, the needy, can now stay still.
Your brethren gather round you to comfort,
guard and protect.
Give solace to our cause and
carry you now to God's door step.
Oh Fallen Knight, Oh Fallen Knight.
May God bless you and keep you.
Good and righteous Knight of Columbus.
We will miss you.

Follow with the Prayer of the "Angel of Peace", from Fatima:
*"He knelt saying," "My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love
you. I ask forgiveness for those who do not believe, nor adore,
nor hope, nor love you. Pray this way. The hearts of Jesus and
Mary are ready to listen to you."*

From: SK Brian Daniel / GK

Attention Madison Diocese Councils

Council program forms (free throw, Christmas poster, knowledge
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Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

Wisconsin State Punt, Pass, Kick and Soccer

Contests held at Columbus High School in Marshfield:

PPK - BOYS

8 years old

- 1st Gavin Tyson (Chilton-Green Bay) Council 2556 District 11
- 2nd Colton Brunell (Columbus-Madison) Council 1609 District 48
- 3rd Maddox Stewart (Alma-La Crosse) Council 6789 District 29

9 years old

- 1st Logan Lau (Hilbert-Green Bay) Council 7732 District 11
- 2nd Connor Weltzien (Arcadia-La Crosse) Council 1654 District 29
- 4th James May (Racine-Milwaukee) Council 697 District 67

10 years old

- 1st Alex Breckheimer (New Holstein-Green Bay) Council 12393 D11
- 2nd Andrew Navertz (Spooner-Superior) Council 5397 District 87
- 3rd Mason Detzel (Sobieski-Green Bay) Council 6764 District 6

11 years old

- 1st Logan Kobus (Pulaski-Green Bay) Council 4439 District 6
- 2nd Charles Siewert (Arcadia-La Crosse) Council 1654 District 29
- 3rd Jack Martens (Cumberland-Superior) Council 6051 District 88

12 years old

- 1st Carter Lomas (Wauzeka-La Crosse) Council 12183 District 26
- 2nd Evan Lau (Hilbert-Green Bay) Council 7732 District 11
- 3rd Tiger Dixon (Keshena-Green Bay) Council 12185 District 3

PPK - GIRLS

8 years old

- 1st Keegan Grimm (Collins-Green Bay) Council 5798 District 12
- 2nd Ashley Robert (Chetek-Superior) Council 6754 District 89
- 3rd Josie Meister (Darlington-Madison) Council 1080 District 41

9 years old

- 1st Kara Kiekhafer (Reedsville-Green Bay) Council 5798 District 12
- 2nd Stacey Cloute (De Pere-Green Bay) Council 3955 District 8
- 4th Braylee Hyatt (Norwalk-La Crosse) Council 7096 District 20

10 years old

- 1st Hailey Stich (Cuba City-Madison) Council 765 District 41
- 2nd Jasmyn Wilson (Minong-Superior) Council 5397 District 87
- 3rd Madison Wall (Cameron-Superior) Council 6754 District 89

11 years old

- 1st Sophia Ellis (Balsam Lake-Superior) Council 7848 District 89
- 2nd Summer Winkler (Webster-Superior) Council 8985 District 87
- 3rd Hannah Fox (Columbus-Madison) Council 1609 District 48

12 years old

- 1st Ravyn Krachey (Wauzeka-La Crosse) Council 12183 District 26
- 2nd Sydney Regan (Osceola-Superior) Council 6567 District 88
- 3rd Madison Kowalski (Mosinee-La Crosse) Council 4628 District 28



Soccer - BOYS

9 years old

- 1st Denis Ruthmansdorfer (Oak Creek-Milwaukee) Council 1709 D65
- 2nd Cole Abraham (Phillips-Superior) Council 2963 District 86

10 years old

- 1st Jared Landmark (Cumberland-Superior) Council 6051 District 89
- 2nd Dawson Hauschild (Phillips-Superior) Council 2963 District 86

11 years old

- 1st Matthew Freiss (Cumberland-Superior) Council 6051 District 89
- 2nd Andrew Delasky (Phillips-Superior) Council 2963 District 86

12 years old

- 1st Trent Schneeberger (Prairie du Sac-Madison) Council 3099 D43
- 2nd Ethan Sandman (Cumberland-Superior) Council 6051 District 89

13 years old

- 1st Max Brenna (Cumberland-Superior) Council 6051 District 89
- 2nd Alex Shimkets (Phillips-Superior) Council 2963 District 86

Soccer - GIRLS

9 years old

- 1st Pooja Muruganandan (Phillips-Superior) Council 2963 District 86
- 2nd Madison Graf (Cumberland-Superior) Council 6051 District 89

10 years old

- 1st Preethi Muruganandan (Phillips-Superior) Council 2963 District 86
- 2nd Lauren Breunig (Sauk City-Madison) Council 3099 District 43
- 3rd Natalie Vichick (Cumberland-Superior) Council 6051 District 89

12 years old

- 1st Bailey Selent (Almena-Superior) Council 9371 District 89

13 years old

- 1st Elizabeth Collinson (Hudson-Superior) Council 1762 District 81

14 years old

- 1st Ari Duncanson (De Pere-Green Bay) Council 3955 District 8

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Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes



From the Desk of State Advocate - Jack Wrbanich **Warning: Not Protecting our Brand is Killing your Council**

What is "Branding" and should you be concerned?

Business defines *Branding* as "The process involved in creating a unique name and image for a product in the consumers' mind, mainly through advertising campaigns with consistent theme. Branding aims to establish a significant and differentiated presence in the market that attracts and retains loyal customers."

Chris Joseph from Demand Media describes successful branding as taking on "the form of a recognizable symbol to which consumers easily identify, such as a logo. Common examples include the Nike "swoosh," the golden arches of McDonald's and the apple used by Apple Computers. Logos typically appear on all products in some form and are used in advertising and promotional campaigns. The most successful symbols allow consumers to identify a product or company even if the name is not visible."

Does successful branding then become that image which we want to portray? Supreme Advocate Officer Desk reference says that "using the emblem of the Knights of Columbus in connection with other business, or social, or other enterprise, without permission of the Board of Directors is prohibited (Section 162.11)" (counterintuitive to good business practice). "Section 162.11 of our by-laws also state that "The purpose of this policy is to preclude the use of, among other things, the Order's name, emblems, events, meetings, membership lists, and facilities to promote goods and services other than the financial products and services offered by the Knights of Columbus. The Board wishes to minimize the risk that anyone would draw the mistaken conclusion that the Knights of Columbus (a) has endorsed the good or service being offered or (b) has guaranteed the integrity of that good or service. Obviously, the Board cannot make any such endorsement or guarantee about any good or service other than those offered by the Knights of Columbus. The Board also wishes to avoid any business association that might expose the Order to liability if a good or service does not meet a customer's expectations."

The mission of the Knights of Columbus is to be always consistent with Catholic values and doctrine, we do this through a system of subordinate councils, along with regional, national, and international convocations, to raise up, support and encourage a fraternity whose members are practical Catholics united by their faith and by the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism; through common worship, charitable works, meetings, and rites of initiation, to form its members in Catholic faith and virtue; to render pecuniary aid to its members, their families, and beneficiaries of members and their families; to render mutual aid and assistance to its sick, disabled, and needy members and their families; to promote social and intellectual interaction among its members and their families; to promote and conduct educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief, public relief, and other activities; and to unite members in their Catholic identity and the practice of their Catholic faith.

Without protecting our image (brand) how do we maintain our good works of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism? How do we grow the order and how does your Council continue to thrive?

Silver Rose

Brothers,

Our Silver Rose that passed through Wisconsin will soon be in Texas. Knights will deliver the Rose with our prayers to our Lady at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico on 12 December.

The following councils/districts participated in June 2014:

LaCrosse: Shrine of Our Lady, C4295 (D20), C10158 (D20), C6718 (D27)

Superior: C12609 (D87), C8985 (D87), C7827 (D85)

Green Bay: C3432 (D5), C4735 (13), C7895 (D5)

Madison: C746 (D46), D47, D49, C605 (D42)

Milwaukee: C4520 (D69), C524 (D64), C4580 (65), C1709 (65), C6448 (68)

We would like to participate in the 2015 Silver Rose Run. We will not know until January if we are in the Run, when it is, and where it comes into and leaves Wisconsin. We have started the planning to avoid trying to fill in opening in the calendar and to resolve conflicts in the scheduling. So far the following councils/districts have volunteered:

LaCrosse: C1257 (D22), C10158 (D20), C10774 (D22), C6718 (D27), D27, D24, D30

Superior: D85, C1762 (D81), C4902 (D81), C4954 (D81), C7030 (D81), C7827 (D85), C12609 (D87)

Green Bay:

Madison: C531 (D47), C605 (D49), C746 (D46), C2820 (D40), C7370 (D41), C9360 (D49), C11155 (D45)

Milwaukee: C15665 (D72)

We lack councils in the northern part of Superior, Green Bay and Milwaukee. Please contact me now and volunteer.

Vivat Jesu,

John Sustar, Wisconsin State Coordinator
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Wisconsin Knights of Columbus 2014 - 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

December 10 - 1838 Menasha

La Crosse

December 1 - 974 Chippewa Falls

Madison

Milwaukee

December 9 - 524 Milwaukee

December 10 - 6646 Milwaukee

January 13 - 524 Milwaukee

January 26 - 13733 Big Bend

Superior

Second Degrees: *Unity*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
January 10	11:00am	1558/1799	Necedah	Al Janeczko	(608)372-5677
January 31	9:30am	3562	Hartland	Timothy Donlin	(262)573-3916
February 15	1:00pm	10914	Onalaska	William Jaekel	(608)792-6757

Third Degrees: *Fraternity*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Council</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
January 10	1:00pm	1558/1799	Necedah	Al Janeczko	(608)372-5677
January 31	11:00am	3562	Hartland	Timothy Donlin	(262)573-3916
February 15	2:30pm	10914	Onalaska	William Jaekel	(608)792-6757

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>
January 17, 2015	Burlington	Eastern District	(262) 246-4232
April 11, 2015	Appleton	Eastern District	(262) 246-4232
February, 2015	Deforest	Western District	(715) 423-0939

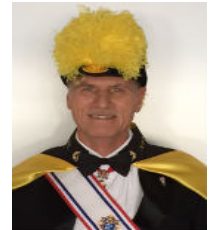


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Badger Bulletin



"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

St. Croix Council 1762 - Hudson 100th Anniversary Celebration



Pictured are Mass concelebrates, deacons and KC honor guard
 l-r front: Mike Frase, Jim Michaelson, Rev. Heinen, Rev. Gerritts, Most Rev. Bishop Christenson, Rev. Anderson, Jerry Martell, Deacon Howard Cameron and Deacon Greg Miller. Back l-r: John Trieb, Bill Skaare, Mike Reisdorg, Dan Schwab, John Booth, Gary Maier, LeRoy Grauseth and Chris Michaelson

St. Croix Council 1762, Hudson, celebrated 100 years of fraternal service to the community of St. Patrick Church, the greater Hudson community and State of Wisconsin. The historic generosity of the KC was recognized at the 5:00 PM Mass with Mass celebrant Most Rev. Bishop Peter Christensen, Pastor and Council Chaplain Rev. John Gerritts, Superior Diocesan Chaplain Rev. Edwin Anderson and Rev. Virgil Heinen. Assisting were Deacons Howard Cameron and Gregg Miller. The Mass included a Fourth Degree Honor Guard, special celebratory music, and brother Knights and their families providing the entire support for the Mass including servers, readers, Eucharist Ministers, musicians, greeters and ushers. The Mass was followed by a dinner and special program in the lower level at Church. The Knights of Columbus Wisconsin State Council officers and their wives and the widows of past KC members were special guests attending the Mass and dinner.

Charity Fund Distribution



Madelyn Odegard, 6 year old cancer victim, with her mom Heidi and FS Mark Aebly - Council 1257 Council 1257 - Eau Claire had supported her with a check and while there Mark filled out a charity request for money from the State Council Charity Fund. They returned a \$2,500 check that brought tears to the eyes of Mom!
 It was my honor to present the check in the name of the Knights of Columbus. Mark Aebly