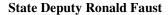


**What is the mission of the Knights of Columbus?** The Knights of Columbus was established in 1882 to provide a means by which Catholic men could:

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

www.kofc.org







My Brother Knights

Last month I reported to you that the theme of the 2014 Supreme Convention was:

"YOU WILL ALL BE BROTHERS: OUR VOCATION TO FRATERNITY."

By putting this in context of a vocation, our Supreme Knight clearly identifies that there is a universal call to holiness to which all of us are invited to respond. I am delighted to report to you that after the diocesan meetings this year, your leaders, your Brother Knights who attend those meetings, are embracing this call. They are dedicating

themselves, through the intercession of Saint Joseph, to recommit to the spiritual battle for their own souls, for their families, and for you, their Brother Knights.

Further, your leaders were very practical in their response to the suggestion to change the culture of our retention committees by calling every Brother Knight once a year on either their birthday or the anniversary of their First Degree exemplification. Their response was that every brother should be called twice a year! Both times! Clearly, to maintain our Vocation to Fraternity in a practical way requires us to, at a minimum, keep the lines of communication open with our brothers. The consensus has been that there should be two calls per year to a Brother Knight 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).

Do you wonder if this will work in your council? Do you wonder if it is worth the effort? Let's consider these separately. To the question whether it will work in your council, you will be happy to know that we are borrowing the idea from a couple of great sources; a Former State Chaplain and your present State Chaplain. Former State Chaplain Father John Potaczek, in his first parish assignment, called all of his parishioners on their birthday. And he did not bust their chops about not seeing them at Mass, or their lack of support of the Church, or anything else for that matter. He called simply to wish them "Happy Birthday!" and to find out if there was anything that they needed. Your present State Chaplain, His Excellency Bishop Don Hying, did the same thing at his first assignment. So we are following in some pretty good footsteps!

Next, this week I learned that service industries such as the insurance and mortgage industries have discovered that the best retention tool that they have is a personal phone call twice each year; one on their client's birthday and the other on the anniversary of the day that they became a client. These are huge industries that spend a lot of time and money learning how to gain an edge on their competition. So it turns out that what we are encouraging for your council is the same thing these industry giants have discovered to be their best retention tool.

As to the question, is it worth it, there are many things that can be said about positive effects upon your members and upon your council. But perhaps the single best answer is that each and every one of our brothers is worth it, just as each and every one of you is worth it. And every brother is needed as we strive to respond to Supreme's new initiative to "Build the Domestic Church." I do not know about you, but I feel extremely blessed to be a Knight at this particular time in the history of our order. What more can we desire, as leaders of our families, than to build our domestic church, and lead our spouses and children to eternal happiness! To not only have the support of our entire brotherhood for that great goal, but to have a specific focus and game plan is truly a great blessing.

And so, my brothers, let us firmly resolve, through the intercession of St. Joseph, to model ourselves after that great saint, that we may help each other to be the leaders of our families that God created us to be.

Vivat Jesus! Ron Faust, State Deputy

Go To Joseph!

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

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

		Circle of Honor	Current Status (needed)		Circle of Honor Net		Circle of I Net/N 100	et		Deceased Members	
Total	1325	221	111	50.3%	95	16	293	52		38	8.4
Superior	139	24	14	60.4%	4	10	45	9		6	10.1
Milwaukee	401	67	38	56.9%	21	17	65	16		11	9.5
Madison	257	43	15	35.0%	24	-9	63	11		6	5.8
La Crosse	248	42	22	53.2%	14	8	55	8		8	8.9
Green Bay	280	47	22	47.1%	32	-10	65	8		7	7.9
Diocese	Goal	Target to Date	New Members	% of Target	Lost Members	Net Gain	Council without a new member	Nev Insura Memb	nce	Lost Insurance Members	%

111 7.79%

1325

1428

16 1.60%

998

#### **Being fraternal**

During the Diocese meetings, I am further amazed at so many brother Knight greet and introduce themselves to me and treat me as a brother showing me that they have not forgotten their lesson of Fraternity. The fraternal way we come together and tackle an issue that we, as an order work towards, or preserve against extinction. From or charitable activities like the tootsie roll drive and Special Olympics, to our constant fight to defend the right to live for the unborn.

Membership as of	Current Membership as of
7/1/2013	7/1/2014
36,616	36,501

470

-115

-115%

The programs we have in our communities are the reasons why Catholic men join our ranks. They do not join because we have meetings, dues or membership cards. They join to do good work with other likeminded men in a fraternal environment. The new men in our community are looking for the warm feeling of fraternalism. They want from us a direction for their life and for their life to have more meaning and relevance. They are looking for that sense of fraternalism that make are community the best it can be and is always looking to contribute our talents to keep it the best.

The members that are getting suspended are losing that feeling a fraternalism. They have not been asked to help enough. They need to feel our fraternal nature to realize that we do need them to make that difference in the community and to feel needed. Calling them just to say "hi", "Happy Birthday", or "Happy Anniversary of joining our order" so they feel that sense of belong to something more. I urge every council to look to see how they can engage our brothers and help them feel fraternal.

This message can be also used to recruit. How often do we see men in Church just going through the paces of life and not have any meaning. Not making any difference if their community and seeing the values of the community heading away from our beliefs. This reason alone is justification enough to spread the news of our good works and struggle to make the world a better place than it was yesterday. Use our Catholic faith not only to shield, but as a banner to profess it to all. Also use our Catholic faith as a weapon against movements that want to degrade or morals and silence our voice.

Please use this message fraternity and growth of our order and also to retain our current brothers so that we may not lose this battle not only for our faith, but for our way of life.

Always Fraternal,

Jon Olson, State Membership

ONE member PER Council PER Month

#### **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.

#### State Family Coordinator - Larry Julson

The trees are starting to turn colors, and in this part of the state we have received our first touch of frost. Yes as Knights of Columbus we all know that time flies, so I am asking all councils, that has not begun to gather and assemble information on their Family of the Year, to start now.

Do your Family of the year justice, by putting together a good biography on the family. Remember to use the nomination form that you can find on the Wisconsin KofC website (www.wikofc.com). Fill this form out and place it in the front of your nomination booklet. A good nomination has information on what the family does for the church, the Knights of Columbus, the community, pro-life, and youth. If possible include copies of newspaper articles written about the family, pictures, and letters of recommendation from the parish priest, local community people, fellow Knights, or anyone that can confirm what the family does, or why

#### **August Diocesan Families of the Month**

**Green Bay Diocese** La Crosse Diocese **Madison Diocese Superior Diocese** 

Lucas & Stephane Meyer, Coleman Council 6689 D 2 Greg & Debbie Weiss, Durand, Council 2422 District 22 Dean Jorgenson, Ridgeway, Council 10905 District 52 Milwaukee Archdiocese Brad & Patty Wirth, Hartford, Council 12588 District 66 Bradley & Angie Berends, Roberts, Council 7030 D 81

> Winners of the Supreme drawing for the Holy Family Plaque for July are:

Tim & Lori Taylor, Council 605 Beloit Dave & Peggy McCarthy, Council 1909 Highland John & Angela Miller, Council 3805 Reedsburg Chuck & Judy Chada, Council 4735 Denmark Mark & Susan Cummings, Council 7096 Cashton Robert & Rita Last, Council 10243 Green Bay Michael & Victoria Franceschi, Council 15090 Waukesha

they should be chosen as the Family of the Year. As the nomination booklet is the only information the Family of the Year committee uses, in the selection of the Family of the Year, make sure we have all the information you can gather, and present this information, so that it is easily read. All the committee members go through and read the information contained in the booklets, so when there are several nominations, it is very time consuming to start trying to glean information from newspaper articles. We use the articles to verify what is written in the family biography. Also include a picture of the family that can be used in the convention booklet. With the computers and printers that are available in our houses, take a copy of the picture and include it with the nomination. I hope all councils have a Family of the Year nomination this Year.

#### State Program Coordinator - Bill Frayer

Brothers,

In September, your programming for 2014-15 should be well under way. Be sure to use your Fraternal Planners to keep track of programs you should be working on as well as those already going!

Remember that the State PPK/Soccer Competition will be held on Saturday, November 1in Marshfield. Complete information on location and start times will be sent to Diocesan Coordinators, District Deputies and Grand Knights soon.

As you work on your programs, remember that every program can/should insure that your Council is active, helping to meet the needs of your parish, community and is a "go to" organization to get things done.

Every program represents a membership recruitment opportunity. Why? Because each program should be an activity where nonmembers (prospects) are invited to participate - parishioners, parents, community members, friends, neighbors, relatives.

Each program should have a positive effect on the parish/community, giving visible signs of your members' involvement in the life of the parish and community.

Look at your programming for this fraternal year. Are you fulfilling the criteria listed above. If so, great; if not, why not? What can you do to make that picture better?

Brothers, remember that our #1 principle is charity! Our charitable programs can not only help your Council attain the Columbian Award ad Star Council, they can also help your Council work wonders! With its many programs, your Council can help change a parish, a community, town, city or neighborhood!

For 2014-15, Supreme is focusing on 8 featured charitable programs, each of which can make a huge difference in your parish/ community/state and, if done well, can fulfill an entice section of the Columbian Award criteria! All are true acts of charity no matter what level of success your Council can reach! They cover all 6 areas of the Columbian Award/Surge with Service Program areas:

- Church RSVP
- Community Habitat for Humanity, Global Wheelchair Mission
- Council Special Olympics
- Culture of Life March for Life, Ultrasound Initiative
- Family Food for Families
- Youth Coats for Kids

In the months ahead, I'll be focusing on 1 of these programs each month. Hopefully, this will help Councils move forward with new programming and increase the already good levels of programming we have in Wisconsin.

Hope your Lifesavers for Life, Christmas Poster and Keep Christ in Christmas, Essay Contest planning is well under way. Also, that your Orderwide Corporate Communion (September 27-28) and Orderwide Charitable Service Project in honor of Pope Francis and St. Francis of Assisi (October 1-7) are successful.

Vivat Jesus! Bill Frayer - State Program Director

## 2014 Culture of Life - Essay Contest

#### How Would A Culture of Life Change Our Society?

Many of us know that life is becoming increasingly chaotic in America and there is growing opinion that many elements of our culture and even our government no longer regard life as valued or sacred. Two hundred thirty-eight years ago, the founders of our nation wrote in the *Declaration of Independence*, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." Clearly, our founders believed in the value of human life as the basis for all other human rights. Yet our culture has strayed from this fundamental belief and many people in America today who are pro-life, consider acts of social justice more important than the dignity of human life, even though, as we know, without life there can be no justice. Today, this opinion that life holds little value is so common that many people who are pro-life consider it very difficult or even impossible to change our culture and our government on their own, but with God all things are possible (Matthew 19:26).

You may focus on society as a whole, or on a single aspect of our society such as: media, movies & television, laws, schools, church-es/parishes, your friends, local or national government, etc. Your essay should consider how embracing a Culture of Life would make society as a whole (or your chosen aspect of society) different from what it is today.



I call heaven and earth to witness this day, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing. Choose therefore life, that both thou and thy seed may live Deuteronomy 30:19

Essay Chairman - Curt Jacobsen (Monica) 5879 Winchester Ave. Marshall, WI 53559-9498 (608) 318-0656 curtis.jacobsen@kraftfoods.com

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

Hello brother Knights!

We are now down to about 4 months away from celebrating the Our Marriage Prayer weekend! The details are being finalized around the different ways your council can help celebrate this amazing event. But how we celebrate it is not nearly as important as WHY we should celebrate it.

Celebrating the Our Marriage Prayer at the parishes your council support offers the following benefits:

- It introduces a prayer to the married couples that reminds them of the important things that will keep their marriage strong and to protect the marriage by placing it into God's hands.
- Encouraging the couples to pray the marriage prayer during their daily family prayers allows the kids to learn it as well. When the children get married, they will not only protect their own marriages, but continue to pass the protection down through the future generations.
- Strengthening the marriage will in turn strengthen the family so it can endure the challenges of life. A stronger family strengthens the Church and the communities they live in. These benefits extend not only to the congregation and our own families, but to the council as well.
- Fully celebrating the Our Marriage Prayer during mass will provide a significant amount of visibility to your council. This will further reinforce to the parish members that your council actively cares for their Church and cares deeply about each of their marriages and their families.
- This increased awareness and caring should help some of the men begin to believe that they too should consider belonging to this fantastic organization called the Knights of Columbus.
- It provides an opportunity for each of the new and existing Knights to get involved at an event that is easy to attend since they are already going to church. Every little bit of involvement should only help them want to begin or stay active in their councils which in turn, strengthen the council itself.

Please read the October newsletter to learn about the different ways your council can celebrate the Our Marriage Prayer on the World Marriage Day February 8th, 2015!

Let's make this a fantastic event!

Vivat Jesus, Viva Christo Rey! (Jesus Lives, Long live Christ the King!) Joe Uchytil

www.ourmarriageprayer.com



# Historic 2014 National 54 Day Rosary Novena Sept 29 through November 21, 2014

What to do: Pray the rosary individually or as a family in your home or as part of your parish community; 27 days in petition followed by 27 days in thanksgiving

Intention: "For Peace and the Family, Human Life, Marriage and Religious Freedom"

A Message of Hope in response to the spiritual crisis in our culture and nation

Visit the website for more information <a href="https://www.54days.org">www.54days.org</a>

A *Hearts United Campaign* of the Rosary Evangelization Apostolate and other noteworthy partnering organizations.

#### THE TIME IS NOW!

## JOIN HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS ACROSS AMERICA IN PRAYER!





#### DISCOVER

- The scriptural vision of man and the overwhelming scientific evidence that supports this vision.
- The four leadership roles that have been entrusted to men and the five personal traits necessary for fulfilling these leadership roles
- How and why Satan always attacks the union of man and woman.
- The three main obstacles to living as authentic men and the means for overcoming them.
- $\bullet$  The wonderful renewal God is offering to men and their families through the Church.

Learn more at the Paradisus Dei link: www.thatmanisyou.org

A Special Message from the Supreme Council General Agents:

#### Life insurance as a gift?

The initial reaction for many people when you mention life insurance as a gift is a quick step back and a questioning stare. How morbid, they may think quietly or aloud. While it may seem that way when you first mention it, life insurance is a really thoughtful gift that can be a financial life preserver in tough times.

The problem with life insurance is the general perception. Many think of life insurance only in cases where someone dies. Life insurance should, in fact, be thought of as a precautionary protective measure for a family unit. The purchase of this product can mean saving your home, sending your children to college, and preserving your spouse's quality of life in the event of your death.

One of the times you may want to purchase life insurance for someone is when a family has a new baby. It's a great, low-cost way to set money aside for the future (i.e. college tuition, housing, business start-up, etc.). Of greater importance, it ensures these children will have insurance as adults, in case an illness later in life makes him or her uninsurable.

Newlyweds are also ideal recipients for life insurance. As they join their lives and financial responsibilities, young couples need to make sure that their early investments are fully protected. If something were to happen to one of them, the other may be faced with serious financial hardship. A life insurance policy is an ideal way to ensure their future and protect their assets.

As nontraditional as it may be, life insurance is a wise and caring gift to purchase for many people.

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

Dan Baxter Ed Knolmaver Joe Molosky Ken Sosnowski 608-348-3360 715-425-0773 715-938-5632 262-242-3350

#### VIP Recruitment Rewards

We are encouraging all members to look into our new website called Knights Gear. You can either go to www.knightsgear.com or when you are in the Knights of Columbus website, www.kofc.org you will see a box at the top of the first page that says "Knights Gear" and you may click on that to get to the site. As always, every 500 points is equal to \$3.00. Members are still required to fill out the order form and mail in with the appropriate amount of points.

Knights gear is your premier source for K of C products, from books & videos to council supplies to apparel that can be worn at leisure or when working for Church and community with your brother Knights. Recently added items include K of C caps; a DVD about our founder, Father Michael McGivney; as well as a documentary on the life of Pope Francis; St. John Paul II prayer cards; and more.

> Karen Wilson KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Membership Growth Department karen.wilson@kofc.org 203-752-4230 (Tel) 203-752-4108 (Fax)

## ORDERING PROCEDURES

- Ordering for clothing items should specify color and size (M XXL only).
- Orders for K of C road sign should indicate the council meeting date and council number. This is a special order item.
- o For orders within the United States, please allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery.
- Members ordering from outside the United States are responsible for covering any customs charges.
- If any item is discontinued, we reserve the right to replace it with a similar item.
- Complete form below. Attach total prize points to cover the order and send to:

Knights of Columbus Department of Fraternal Services l Columbus Plaza New Haven, CT 06510-3326

#### Recruitment Rewards Points Program Order Form

NAME	QUANTITY	ITEM#	NAME OF ITEM	SIZE	POINTS
STREET ADDRESS					
CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP/POSTAL CODE	-				
PHONE NUMBER (WITH AREA CODE)	-				
MEMBERSHIP NUMBER COUNCIL NUMBER	SUPPLY C	CONTROL #	TOTAL	POINTS	
ATTACH TOTAL PRIZE POINTS FOR THIS ORDER		,	total points en	CLOSED _	

- ANY CLOTHING ITEMS SHOULD SPECIFY COLOR AND SIZE . ALLOW 5 TO 8 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THE U.S.
- ANY ITEM NOT AVAILABLE WILL BE REPLACED WITH A
- SIMILAR ITEM

AND SEND TO:

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

DEPARTMENT OF FRATERNAL SERVICES

1 COLUMBUS PLAZA, NEW HAVEN, CT 06510-3326



#### From the Desk of State Advocate - Jack Wrbanich

"Youth Protection Policy / Safe Environment Program" – Officer Desk Reference

Brothers, there is no greater priority within the Knights of Columbus than the safety, security, and protection of the children and young people who

participate in our youth programs. Council Leaders who are charged with selecting members to lead and supervise youth activities must use their best judgment to select only those men who are fully aware of their responsibilities as youth leaders. Supreme has directed that all youth leaders, and those that supervise youth leaders, must scan and e-mail a copy of their diocesan certificate to <a href="mailto:youthleader@kofc.org">youthleader@kofc.org</a> The e-mail subject line should contain the council or circle number and the youth leader's name and membership number (e.g., Council 560, John Doe, #86775309). Each of our five diocese have adopted their own training program.

A list of contact information is provided for your information: <u>Archdiocese of Milwaukee</u>

• Safeguarding All of God's Family program

• Coordinator: 414-769-3449

#### Green Bay Diocese

• VIRTUS training

• Safe Environment Office: 920-272-8198

#### La Crosse Diocese

• Diocesan Training Program

• Safe Environment Office: 608-791-0161

#### Madison Diocese

• VIRTUS training

• Safe Environment Office: 608-821-3133

#### Superior Diocese

Protecting God's ChildrenCoordinator: 715-394-0225

#### **Corporate Identity Of The Knights of Columbus**

The Knights of Columbus is a Connecticut corporation, which received its corporate charter from the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut in 1882, the year of its founding. It has no parent companies and no stock.

As a fraternal benefit society, the Knights of Columbus offers life insurance and other benefits to its members and their families residing in the United States and Canada. As a unified corporate entity, the Knights of Columbus encompasses not only the Supreme Council, but all subordinate units in the United States, including State Councils. A Knights of Columbus State Council is an unincorporated association holding a charter from the Supreme Council.

The Knights of Columbus is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a fraternal benefit society under Section 501(c)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code (Title 26, United States Code), pursuant to which it is exempt from federal taxation in the United States. All subordinate councils in the United States, including State Councils, may be recognized by the IRS as "fraternal lodges" for purposes of the tax exemption granted to fraternal benefit societies under Section 501(c)(8). A State Council is not permitted to hold real estate or to engage in any business enterprise other than ordinary fraternal activities. Although State Councils are exempt from federal taxation, contributions to a State Council are not tax-deductible by the donor.

The Knights of Columbus, as a corporate entity, does not encompass corporations formed by members of subordinate councils, such as charitable corporations.

#### **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS YARD SIGN PROGRAM**

The Keep Christ in Christmas yard sign program is a major Supreme Council Christmas program. Over the years, a large number of Wisconsin councils and a growing number of out-of-state councils have participated in the program.

Twenty-four years ago, the PGK of Council No. 531, Emmett Schuchardt, started looking for a way to make a major impact in his community with the Keep Christ in Christmas program. His innovative solution led to the creation of an 11" x 28" blue and white yard sign on a steel, "U-shaped" wire featuring the **Christ Child** and the words **KEEP CHRIST**IN CHRISTMAS. Since then, thousands of **KCIC** yard signs have dotted lawns throughout Wisconsin and the Midwest during the Christmas season.

If your council is interested in participating in this year's KCIC yard sign program, please fill out the order form below and <u>return it to state coordinator SK Randy Radtke</u> no later than Nov. 1, 2014. Orders for yard signs and wires will be shipped as soon as possible and should arrive before Thanksgiving.

Cost: \$2.50 per yard sign with wire. Minimum order: 50 signs. Price includes all costs including shipping. Orders can be placed for in allotments of 25 (50, 75, 100, etc.) and councils can combine their orders if the 50 minimum total is too large for one council. Please submit your order no later than November 1, 2014 and if you want signs in Spanish please call (920) 648-8248.

RJ Enterprizes, 433 E. Washington Street, Lake Mills, WI 53551-1344.

If you have questions about the program,
please send your email to rjenter@charter.net or call (920) 648-8248.

#### **Councils Website**



The Wisconsin State Council has a new online presence. "Since there have been so many councils recently introduced to the UKnight Interactive network for the first time, UKnight has decided to extend the \$150 annual subscription. So while they cannot sustain the price indefinitely, for now they will continue to offer the full UKnight subscription for \$150 per year. This works out to only \$12.50 per month for everything UKnight offers" Find your council by visiting: http://www.kofcknights.org/StateCouncilSite/? CN=US&ST=WI

# **Invite Pope Francis to** Green Bay, WI



# Sign the Invitation asking Pope Francis to visit Green Bay, WI

Go to

# PopetoGreenBay.com

To sign Petition and to offer your support when that special day arrives!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF WISCONSIN DISTRICT 65 ARE SPONCERING AN ULTRASOUND FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE

The Knights of Columbus of Wisconsin District 65 Are Sponsoring an Ultrasound Fundraising Initiative







for a board of directors in order to open a facility in the city of Waukesha, Wisconsin near "Planned Parenthood" that will mirror their Mukwonago facility. An ultrasound machine will be needed at the new location. They are also planning on a location in Milwaukee in the future and looking at a partnership with a Prolife group located at: 5424 W. Bluemound Rd.

Milwaukee, WI 53208

This facility will be in need of an Ultrasound machine as well. With your councils' financial help and the help of the Supreme Council, we hope to provide both of these.

Milwaukee Auxiliary Bishop Donald J. Hying (our new State Chaplain) has requested the machine for the center. Let's show him what the Knights can do. Thank you in advance for your generous donation to this worthy cause.

#### Please help us save babies!

Make checks payable to: "District 65 Ultrasound fund" Mail to: David Grau 6842 S. Juniper Ct. Oak Creek, WI. 53154

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

#### MARIAN HOUR OF PRAYER

September 28, 2014 - January 31, 2015

#### **Schedule**

(follow schedule using 2013-2014 Districts)



<u>lcon #1</u>		lcon #2		<u>lcon # 3</u>
_	28-Sep-14	through	18-Oct-14	
District 45		District 12		District 23
_	19-Oct-14	through	08-Nov-14	
District 43		District 11		District 46
_	9-Nov-14	through	13-Dec-14	
District 52		District 61		District 30
_	14-Dec-14	through	10-Jan-15	
District 40		District 62		District 24
_	11-Jan-15	through	31-Jan-15	
District 41		District 60		



The council recruits twelve new members between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015 and is recorded at Supreme by that time.

# Each council will earn

60,000 V.I.P. Points – Done by September 30, 2014

40,000 V.I.P. Points – Done by December 30, 2014

20,000 V.I.P. Points – Done by June 30, 2015

Redeemed for Knights of Columbus Merchandise

# 400AYS FOR LIFE.



State Culture of Life Coordinator Dan Miller and State Chaplain Bishop Don Hying

Dan Miller, the 40 Days for Life leader in Milwaukee, and Bishop Donald Hying are smiling in the photo. Why would anyone smile in front of an abortion center? Dan can explain. "For three days in a row, they were not open for abortions," he said. "There was no abortionist present each of those days."

Dan also said, "The Knights of Columbus are my newest, most favorite group to 'encourage!' Why? Because I am your new State Director of the Culture of Life! You do so much in creating a Culture of Life! Thank you! You should be very proud of the great good that the KofC does – but we need to keep pulling on that rope! Never let up – no slack! By ourselves, we are weak and easily broken – but together we are strong! I challenge each and every Knight of Columbus to participate in a 40DFL campaign near you. I want you to show up! If there isn't one – pray SPECIFICALLY for our efforts here and throughout the world! Pick 40 locations – and pray for one EVERY DAY! How in heaven's name do you think I've been able to endure 4.5 years of full-time volunteerism as a sidewalk counselor?! *PRAYER!* Are you looking for new members? Chances are <u>REALLY GOOD</u> that you will find practicing Catholics at a 40DFL campaign! Recruit them with confidence! The Knights of Columbus is an awesome organization! Did you know that their 100% pro-life position is what drew me to them? Flaunt it – don't hide it!

http://40daysforlife.com/

#### "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

<u>Fifteen (15) copies of the application are necessary and must be submitted by December 1,</u>

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.

#### SPECIAL OLYMPICS / TEAM WISCONSIN 2018

Again, Wisconsin Knights of Columbus has taken the challenge to Partner with Special Olympics of Wisconsin.

It is again our goal to raise \$100,000 to send **Team Wisconsin** to the National Special Olympic Games in 2018.

Special Olympics of Wisconsin has asked us again because they know they can;"Count on Brother Knights because we always come through!"

Because of our donations, these Special Athletes set goals, learn self worth, and become more independent.

Our goal of \$100,000 would require \$3/member over a 4 year period, or about \$.75/ member/year.

To date, we have about \$90,000 left to collect!

Councils/Assemblies may donate from their General Funds, charity funds, Recycling income, Tootsie Roll refunds, as well as Special Project Receipts, and Individual donations.

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

PLEASE; Checks should be made out to WI K of C Charities. And mailed to:

Bryce Lisowski (Special Olympics Coordinator) S 1345 County Road NN Alma, WI 54610

As I begin my position of Coordinator of Special Olympics Wisconsin, I must thank John and Joyce Benisch for all the help they are giving Mary and Myself, and for all they have done for Special Olympics. They have "spearheaded" this valuable Program and have brought it from the ground floor to \$100,000.

Help us Continue this "This most worthy cause"!

Bryce Lisowski, Special Olympics Wisconsin, Knights of Columbus



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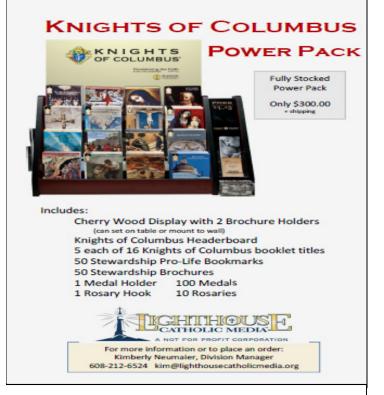
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#### Wisconsin Knights of Columbus 2014 - 2015 Scheduled Degrees: see updated schedule at

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

**Milwaukee** October 14 - 524 Milwaukee

**Green Bay** 

Madison

La Crosse November 10 - 12468 Altoona November 11 - 524 Milwaukee November 11 - 664 Fon du Lac November 24 - 13733 Big Bend December 9 - 524 Milwaukee

January 13 - 524 Milwaukee January 26 - 13733 Big Bend

Second Degrees: Unity

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Council	<b>Location</b>	<b>District Deputy</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
October 5	1:00pm	7827	Woodruff	Ray Knapstein	(715)356-7884
October 18	8:30am	7895	Hortonville	Dan Albers	(920)757-1308
November 2	1:00pm	3492	Richland Center	Mark Jelinek	(608)604-9302
November 9	12:30pm	1744	Medford	Neil Micke	(715)678-6140

Third Degrees: Fraternity

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<b>Council</b>	<b>Location</b>	<u>District Deputy</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
October 5	2:00pm	7827	Woodruff	Ray Knapstein	(715)356-7884
October 18	11:00am	7895	Hortonville	Dan Albers	(920)757-1308
November 2	2:30pm	3492	Richland Center	Mark Jelinek	(608)604-9302
November 9	1:30pm	1744	Medford	Neil Micke	(715)678-6140

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



Fourth Degrees: Patriotism Location October 25, 2014 Schofield April 11, 2015 Appleton

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"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

#### **Outagamie Regional Airport in Appleton Honor Flight**



21 Honor Guard members from several assemblies in the Green Bay Diocese welcomed home WWII and Korean Veterans. These Heroes returned from Washington D.C. and landed at the Outagamie Regional Airport in Appleton on the Honor Flight. There were two KofC members on this Flight. It should also be noted that there were several of our ladies there along with Former Eastern Master Roland Ransom and Former Marshall Michael Jordan. The Honor Guards presence at Honor Flights has become tradition.



The Knights of Columbus Council 5514, Neenah donated \$500.00 to the Christine Ann Abuse Services of Neenah to help the mentally and physically abused persons the Christine Ann has supported and protected for the past 30 years. From left to right are: Knight Paul Wolters, receiving the check are; Executive Director of Christine Ann Abuse Services, Julie Favola and Andrea Greschner, along with Knight Ed Sypek.



#### **Veterans Services**



Past State Deputy and Former Master Roland Ransom II received a Voluntary Service Award for hours of unselfish and dedicated participation in the Voluntary Service Program at the VA Medical Center to the benefit of this Nations veterans.

Presenting the award were Brian Walker, Special Assistant to the Director, Stephanie Pulsfus, Chief of Voluntary Service and State Warden/V.A.V.S. Patrick Reiff.

#### 2015 March for Life Bus Trip

Join Pro-Life Wisconsinites and over 500,000 other prolifers as we mark the anniversary of the deadly Roe v. Wade decision. The annual March for Life will be held Thursday, January 22, in Washington D.C. Pro-Life Wisconsin's buses will be leaving on Tuesday, January 20, and returning Saturday, January 24.

The price of \$300 per person includes two nights in a D.C. hotel (four persons per room). Anyone under 18 must be chaperoned. Register now to guarantee a seat! Reservations close November 1st or at capacity. Full non-refundable payment required at time of registration. For more information and to request a registration form call 262-796-1111 or

http://www.prolifewisconsin.org/PDFs/March%202015.pdf

Pro-Life Wisconsin marks January 22, the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision Roe v. Wade, in many ways: through affiliate events, prayer and a presence in Washington, D.C.

This annual four-day pilgrimage to Washington, D.C., to pray, march and be a vocal majority for life is an inspiring experience for the pro-life movement. It will re-ignite your passion to end abortion and will fortify your convictions with the support of thousands of other pro-lifers.

Each year, Pro-Life Wisconsin's buses are full to the brim with over 100 enthusiastic supporters, joining hundreds of other prolifers from Wisconsin and thousands from around the country.

Pro-Life Wisconsin supporters spend two days in Washington, D.C. and take part in youth rallies, training workshops, and the annual Mass for Life held in the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The two days culminates with the March for Life held on January 22.

"The fact that our own buses are always filled to the brim represents the hope pro-lifers do carry with them," said Peggy Hamill, State Director of Pro-Life Wisconsin. "I am hopeful because so many of our March for Life attendees are teens, and that speaks volumes for where the pro-life movement is headed in this country."





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In response to the spiritual crisis
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www.heartsunited2014.org

Free Event & NO registration required!
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Time: 7:00 pm through 8:30 pm each evening

Dynamic National Speakers: From Maryland and Virginia including Archbishop Jerome Listecki and Aux. Bishop Donald Hying of Milwaukee and Fr. James Kubicki SJ

Nationally renowned singer and music composer: Janis Clarke will sing inspiring new hymns and speak about the gift of Our Lady's rosary which will lead us to Jesus in the Sacrament of Mercy and the Holy Eucharist. The solution is here!

**Special Guest Speaker:** Fr. Peter Ryan, SJ Executive Director of the Office for Doctrine for the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops will share how the rosary brings us to Jesus Christ to transform our nation for peace and the family.

**Includes** opportunities for rosary, confession, adoration and procession of the Blessed Sacrament and healing prayer. Each evening will be different. Plan on attending all 3 evenings.

**Sponsored by:** Rosary Evangelization Apostolate, Men of Christ, Women of Christ

**In Co-operation:** with the Nazareth Project of the John Paul II Center of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Everyone is welcome to attend: Youth, young adults, men and women, single and married. Bring the entire family and friends for an incredible experience!

Help spread the word!

