

# Wisconsin Knights of Columbus Notes

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## Gratitude and Appreciation

First off—I want to thank all of our Council Leaders, District Deputies, Coordinators and State Officers for allowing me to have the pleasure of serving with you these past 2 years as State Deputy. It has truly been an honor and privilege to serve with such great men to fulfill the vision of Blessed Michael McGivney.

### **'Predictions are hard, especially when it comes to the Future' (Yogi Berra, Quote #1)**

Serving as State Deputy during the 'COVID' era has been a challenge. Instead of having a defeated attitude during this time, our State Leaders tried to remain positive and challenge councils to move past the challenges of COVID and back to the daily activities we became accustomed doing as Knights. Some of our Councils took advantage of the great incentives we offered to grow their membership—and we have to date over 50 councils that have reached their Membership Quota for the year—and many more that are within reach of doing so this month! As I have predicted in prior messages—we will achieve our Circle of Honor Goal this year—what is seen as a 'STAR COUNCIL' type award for a STATE JURISDICTION. We are still in need of bringing in more men to the Knights this month—and if each of our Districts were to bring in 1 more man these next 25 days, we will reach this goal!! I implore each of you reading this column to invite at least 1 man to join the Knights and to sign up ONLINE as he will be credited as a member to our State immediately!

### **'The future ain't what it used to be' (Yogi Berra, Quote #2)**

As we move onto this next Fraternal Year and the challenges of COVID for our Parishes and our Councils now being mostly in the rearview mirror; it's important to celebrate the successes of our past and including this past year, but also to plan for future growth! One thing in life that is constant is 'CHANGE' and as we change State Leaders as well as some of the Council leadership, it is important to embrace this change of new ideas and ways to improve upon our past successes. I look forward to this upcoming year as the incoming State Officers take on the challenges of the day to improve our Order for us all!

### **'No one goes there nowadays, it's too crowded' (Yogi Berra, Quote #3)**

A simple quote, yet emblematic of the mindset that we sometimes have as Knights. Whether it be a reason for a new idea not to work—or an idea for why what was successful in the past not working in the future—we must continue to set aside the excuses we are presented as leaders to push forward to improve. As we push for our Councils to plan their membership drives and exemplifications along with their Council Programs over these next 6-12 months as we kick off this upcoming Fraternal Year it's important to reflect back on the prior successes and failures and to find ways to improve upon them. CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT should be the goal of every leader and every council. This past year our State Council and Councils donated over 4.25 million to charitable donations—a banner year (2<sup>nd</sup> highest in our History). BUT LET'S MAKE NEXT YEAR EVEN BETTER!! If your Council achieved Star Council this year—go for DOUBLE STAR next year! If you came short of Star Council this year—what can you do to

improve upon your Membership growth and Programs to achieve this goal next year? Through these conversations—and through ENGAGING ALL OF THE MEN of your Council to get their input, your council may see even further engagement and excitement from your membership—and may see successes not achieved in the past!

**'You've got to be very careful if you don't know where you are going, because you might not get there (Yogi Berra, Quote #4)**

By spending time this next month with your Council leadership and members to plan your Programs, Events Calendar and Membership Growth events (Church Drives and Exemplifications) your Council will provide a clear vision of engagement for your Members. A comment I recently heard attending a function in Milwaukee was from 2 Grand Knights conversing (sitting next to me at a table, I don't believe they were aware I was the State Deputy 😊)—and it had to do with the fact that the State focuses only on in-take of new members and not helping them get their existing members active or engaged.

Now—if we had the silver bullet to all of a councils' woes, frankly we wouldn't have seen declines in our membership that we have had over the last 20 years. Engaging council members to attend a Council Meeting may not be of interest to them—but engaging them to participate in a PROGRAM or a CHARITABLE EVENT or a FAMILY FOCUSED EVENT may be. If you can provide them a CALENDAR of all of the events to occur over not just the coming month, but the coming 6-12 months and INVITE THEM TO ATTEND AT LEAST 1 EVENT—do you think you'll have better success than notifying them only a few weeks before? WILL THIS PROVIDE council leaders ample time to reach out with a PHONE CALL to every council member INVITING THEM to these events—and seeing which one is of interest for them to attend or to help with?

NO NEIGHBOR LEFT BEHIND—an initiative from the Knights at the start of COVID was an action for every council to reach out to their Council Members. I had a 500+ member Council that reached out to every member in their Council—and it was met with some NEW ideas and ways to engage their members. So let me ask—if something has been proven to be effective in engaging our members in the past...why don't we continue to do this?? WHY CAN'T WE LEARN FROM THE PAST AND NOT REPEAT FUTURE MISTAKES?? Now—you may have noticed that I've highlighted some 'Yogi'isms' throughout this message...and as I transition from State Deputy messages to Membership Director messages over the next year—I will try to highlight some 'COREY'ISMS' instead. Here's the first:

**'IF WE'RE NOT GROWING, WE'RE DECLINING' (Corey Coonen, June 2022)**

Thank you again for allowing me to serve you these past 2 years as State Deputy and I look forward to continuing to serve you this next year as Membership Director! Hopefully we can achieve BACK TO BACK YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP GROWTH—achieving our Goals set forth!! EVERY NEW MEMBER MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Corey Christopher Coonen  
State Deputy

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## State Chaplain

Dear Brother Knights, the last three years as State Chaplain have been wonderful. Thank you for the opportunity to witness to God's love for us by the Incarnation of Jesus Christ that has come to us through the Blessed Virgin Mary. I hope the messages of devotion to the Rosary and the truth of Christ's presence in the Most Holy Eucharist have been taking their place in your hearts and strengthening you to love others.

With Father's Day coming up on the same day as our celebration of Corpus Christi Sunday, I hope we will be able to effectively witness as Knights to the true presence of Jesus Christ given to us in the Bread of Life. May God bless that day and you who stand with the Lord.

My prayer is that we will be able to change the culture as we pray with the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is also why I want to encourage all of you to plan something that will turn families toward Christ with the help of Mary. The idea of OctoberBlest, a call to pilgrimage with our Rosaries in the month of September, is something I believe can be an effective tool for turning our culture into a culture of life in Christ. OctoberBlest elevates the call to pray the Rosary everyday as we move into the month of the Rosary. May God bless your efforts, and the efforts of your Chaplains, as we do what we can to transform the culture.

Sincerely, Fr. Andrew Kurz

Wisconsin State Chaplain

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## Finish Strong, Plan for Success

Brothers,

As we look at the end of the Fraternal Year, it is important that Councils Finish Strong and Plan for Success in the upcoming Fraternal Year.

In terms of finishing strong, your Councils have worked hard all year, and we owe it to our membership to make sure that our Councils are recognized for that hard work. At a minimum, every Council should submit an SP-7 Columbian Award Application. In addition, Councils should review their Safe Environment Compliance, as well as the number of Fraternal Benefits Nights that they have been credited with. Finally, Councils should review their roster very carefully to make sure that all new members show up on their Roster.

When it comes to Planning for Success, all Councils should take time to meet with their Pastors. This is a great time to find out where Father needs your help, as well as to review the prior year's programs and their impact on your Parish Community. Following this meeting, it is important to plan out the Councils program for the year, including Exemplifications, Church Drives, Faith Programs, Family Programs, Community Programs, and Life Programs. As you plan your programs, reach out to the membership to

try and get chairs for each program. This is your opportunity to involve new members in your programs. This is also the time to work with your Parish to resolve any date conflicts.

Planning now, will enable your Council to start the new Fraternal Year in July with a strong plan for success. Bring your Council Plan to the District Meeting in July to share with your District Deputy and the other Councils in your District.

In Addition to putting the program plan in place, it is important to get Forms 185 and 365 submitted in a timely manner. When you fill out these forms, make sure that all of the required positions are filled. Please note that the required Directors (Program, Family, Community) for Safe Environment Compliance must all be filled by 3 different people. You must fill all of the required positions in order for Supreme to give you credit for submitting these forms. As you fill positions, take a few minutes to set expectations for those filling the positions. It is important to note that failure to set expectations often leads to lack of activity by those assigned. Expectations do not need to be elaborate, just an understanding of what needs to be done, and how best to follow up. I am asking that every Council take steps to invite more brothers to share the load, by inviting them to take on leadership roles, especially our younger members. To build a bench for the future, we need every Council to help by inviting more men to carry the load.

Imagine the new energy our Councils, Districts, and State will have, when every Council doubles the number of men involved in leadership positions. I know that this is a big ask. I am asking for your help in making this happen to secure our future.

Brothers, again I thank you for the giving me the opportunity to serve as your State Deputy. Working Together we will grow the Knights of Columbus in the State of Wisconsin.

Vivat Jesus.

John Huttenhoff  
State Secretary  
State Deputy Elect



Brother Knights,

As we come to the end of our fraternal year, we still have a few things going on.

First off, State Per Capita. If your council has not paid, or you are not sure, please do not hesitate to contact me to ask. My email is [mcasey@wikofc.com](mailto:mcasey@wikofc.com). We really need to get these cleaned up.

Secondly, checks for State Convention mileage will be processed in the next 2 weeks. So be on the lookout for them. As by laws, we pay from zip code to zip code of the council in the most direct way. Delegate checks are cut directly to the council.

Lastly, Charity Raffle winner checks are processed and should be going out very shortly. If you are a winner, or know of a winner and they are asking, let them know the check is likely "in the mail."

The council refund checks will be processed and distributed likely in September.

In closing, I would like to thank you for trusting me as your State Treasurer these last two years. It has been an honor and privilege to serve as the Chief Financial Officer for the state. Your election of Roland to take over as your next State Treasurer is a great choice, and you will be in good hands!

Vivat Jesus!

Miles Casey  
State Treasurer

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### **District Deputies Needed**

We still have a few Districts in Need of a District Deputy. This truly is one of the most rewarding positions within the Knights of Columbus. District Deputies visit each of the Councils within their District Quarterly, Attend District Deputy Meetings in June and December, attend the State Convention, and Diocesan Huddle, and host District Meetings in July and December. Training and support are provided. If you are interested in being a District Deputy, please reach out to State Deputy Corey Coonen, State Deputy Elect John Huttenhoff or any of the State Officers for more information. Districts currently in need of a District Deputy for the upcoming fraternal year are: 1, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, 15, 20, 22, 31, 40, 51, 62, 63, 68, 85.

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### **140th SUPREME CONVENTION**

**Nashville, Tennessee    AUGUST 1-4, 2022**

Wisconsin is allowed ten delegates to the Supreme Convention. The State Deputy and the Immediate Past State Deputy automatically serve as the first two delegates. The remaining eight delegates were selected by the vote of those delegates attending the State Convention May 7<sup>th</sup> 2022 in Wisconsin Dells.

In addition to the Official Delegates, any 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Member in good standing can attend the Supreme Convention, however, you must pre-register to attend the Supreme Convention.

Below are Links to Register for the Supreme Convention in August.

<https://www.kofc.org/en/supreme-convention/registration.html>

<https://www.kofc-tn.org/2021/10/29/supreme-convention-2022-coming-to-nashville/>

You will want to register on both sites. Please do so soon, as many events are expected to sell out.

I would request that anyone planning to attend the Supreme Convention let both IPSD Corey Coonen and SDE John Huttenhoff know of their plans so that we can share information with the rest of the Wisconsin Delegation.

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## **MEMBERSHIP CORNER**

**IPSD C^3 (Corey Christopher Coonen):**      [C.Coonen@wikofc.com](mailto:C.Coonen@wikofc.com)      (920) 819-9409

As we wrap a bow and put a close on this Fraternal Year—I want to thank our Diocesan Membership Coordinators Mark Rasmussen (SUP), Scott Frome (LAX), Doc Casey (MAD), Les Kostera (MKE) and Chuck Rohr (GB) for stepping up to serve this past year! They have provided some great resources and assistance to councils in growing their membership and are very much a reason for the successful year Wisconsin has had in growing our Membership.

Wisconsin ranks #28 out of 75 Jurisdictions in Percent Intake towards our Goal. We can do better. My hope is that before this month ends we get to #25 as well as pass our neighbor to the West, Minnesota! EVERY NEW MEMBER MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

No amount of words can do justice to thank IPSD and Membership Director Jack Wrbanich for his counsel and service to this State Council this past Decade plus! I am extremely grateful that Jack stepped forward to serve as Membership Director this past year for the State and I hope to build upon his successes this upcoming year!

As we move forward into the next Fraternal Year, we are in need of adding additional members to our 'Membership' Team.

If you know of someone that would be interested in 'assisting' by being apart of a Team that assists councils with Church Drives and by growing through Program events, please reach out to me or State Deputy Elect John Huttenhoff.

This team of members would work with their Diocesan Membership Coordinator, State Officer in Charge, District Deputy along with their Field Agents so that we have EVERY COUNCIL CHURCH DRIVE covered by additional members outside of the local council to assist in inviting men to join. By having this additional resource of PROFESSIONAL RECRUITERS assisting councils we hope to have greater success as well as the ability to coach councils on what has worked and ways to improve for the future.

Next month we will be discussing some additional incentives that we feel will help motivate our Councils and Leaders to grow even further!

Keep in mind—our FINISH STRONG- START FAST incentive is still in place. If a council can achieve their Membership Goal before the end of this year (if not already doing so by April 1<sup>st</sup>) you will achieve 25% off of your October 1<sup>st</sup> per capita!! PLEASE CONTINUE TO RECRUIT THESE NEXT 25 DAYS AS FINISHING STRONG WILL HELP OUR COUNCILS START FAST NEXT YEAR!

I will close with my favorite Yogi Berra quote:

***'Always go to other people's funerals, otherwise they won't come to yours.'***

Corey Coonen

State Deputy for the next 25 days...then Membership Director

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## Membership Notes – June 2022



### QR CODE



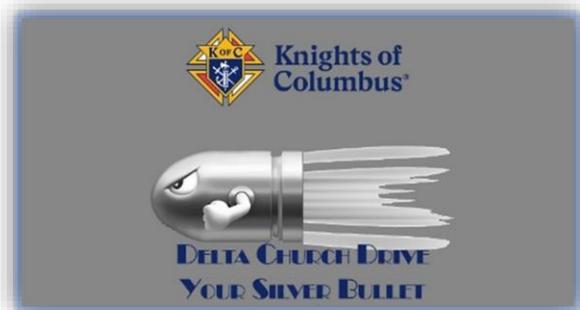
What is this? According to WIKIPEDIA, this is called a “QR code” (an initialism for quick response code) is a type of matrix barcode (or two-dimensional barcode) invented in 1994 by the Japanese automotive company Denso Wave. A barcode is a machine-readable optical label that can contain information about the item to which it is attached. In practice, QR codes often contain data for a locator, identifier, or tracker that points to a website or application. A QR code uses four standardized encoding modes (numeric, alphanumeric, byte/binary, and kanji) to store data efficiently; extensions may also be used.

The Quick Response system became popular outside the automotive industry due to its fast readability and greater storage capacity compared to standard UPC barcodes. Applications include product tracking, item identification, time tracking, document management, and general marketing.

A QR code consists of black squares arranged in a square grid on a white background, which can be read by an imaging device such as a camera, and processed using Reed–Solomon error correction until the image can be appropriately interpreted. The required data is then extracted from patterns that are present in both horizontal and vertical components of the image.

This particular QR code directs users to [kofc.org/join](https://kofc.org/join) webpage where prospective new members can learn about the Knights and join as an “E-Member”. Can you think of ways to utilize this code to invite new members into your council?

Jack Wrbanich, IPSD  
State Membership Director  
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## State Advocate Updates



Brother Knights,

First and foremost, I thank you for your support in electing me to the State Advocate position, I will do my very best to meet your needs and serve your councils in any way that I can. Thank you again!

Be sure to submit the State Convention Questionnaire, it is important that we get your feedback to make the convention more productive and valuable to you.

Elections are upcoming or perhaps already completed. Be sure to fill out your 185 and 365. Along with the 365 your directors will in some cases need to fill out your SE requirements.

All councils should have submitted a Form 990 for tax purposes, if you have not done so, please do so ASAP.

As there were time constraints at the State Convention the resolutions were not read. All delegates had been sent a copy via mail prior to the convention but there were several that are noteworthy. If you have not taken the time to discuss them with your councils, I hope that you do so as it is important that all members know what is happening at the State level.

First, we extend appreciation to State Chaplain Fr. Andrew Jude Kurz for his 3 years of service to the State council.

Second, we had four councils celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Congratulations to the following:

Durand Council 2422 of Durand, WI

Fr. Riesenmy Council 2481 of Ladysmith, WI

Msgr. Broens Council 2478 of Sturgeon Bay, WI

Oconomowoc Council 2487 of Oconomowoc, WI

Please extend your congratulations to these councils who have served so faithfully and reached this milestone.

Eucharistic Revival – all councils should assist their Bishops, Priests and Deacons in elevating the solemnity and reverence of Eucharistic Processions.

Affiliate Member – As all of you should know Supreme introduced this program to alleviate the burden of members who are no longer active and not paying dues. We ask that they continue this program.

Evangelization beyond Confirmation – the State is establishing a Sacramental gift program directed toward Confirmation students. Please refer to the Resolutions for more details.

Restoration of World Peace – Knights should pray the rosary together prior to council and assembly meetings to promote the end of violence and restoration of peace throughout the world.

Support of Adoption – Fr. Dennis Mullen established this program to assist families with funds to prepare for adoption. We ask that all councils promote adoption as part of the Culture of Life Program. Fr. Mullen delivered a heartfelt message at the State Deputy's Banquet Saturday night.

This was a message that all Knights would have embraced and enjoyed, I encourage you to have your council attend the State Convention each year.

Don Schoenherr  
Worthy State Advocate

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## Wisconsin Knights of Columbus State Charity Raffle

Winners of the \$115,000 state raffle were chosen at the State Convention May 7 and are posted on the state web site. On the front page of the website scroll down to:

### Wisconsin State Council Charity Raffle

Click on the read more tab, then click the **2022 winners list**.

We are diligently working on validating addresses, completing W2G forms mandated by the Wisconsin State Gaming Commission, auditing financials, cutting checks, and other paperwork. This year there was 100 winning tickets drawn bringing in nearly \$660,000 to be used to help Wisconsin families. Thanks to all councils that participated. You will be receiving your charity checks in the fall, provided you have turned in your "Council Charity Grant" form. Over 130,000 tickets were sold a 7% increase from last year. That is awesome and will allow us Knights the continued opportunity to live out our first principle of "CHARITY"!!

God Bless  
Bernie Heit, WI Charity Committee Director.

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## Public Relations Corner

### Engagement



One of the keys to growing your council is inviting families to join – would you agree? Well, how do we do that? One key to growing your social media presence is 'Engagement'. This can be true whether your council is using social media or not, but let's focus on the social media aspect first.

Engagement is key to growing your councils and for that matter your parishes presence on social media. Without engagement, the algorithm (on any platform) will quit showing your content to your followers as well as potential new followers.

So, how do we increase our followers to like and comment on our posts so you can grow?

Here are five simple strategies that you can implement right now:

## **1. ALWAYS INCLUDE AN IMAGE**

Did you know that Facebook posts with an image get 2.3 times more engagement than posts without an image? No matter what social media network you're posting to, always include an image with your status update. It's the easiest way to DOUBLE your engagement.

## **2. ASK QUESTIONS**

According to social media marketing experts "Of all the different types of posts I make, questions generate the most comments." Make sense. The questions don't necessarily need to be deep or related to the Knights. Remember the idea is to invite and engage followers, so be careful of the questions you post.

## **3. USE HASHTAGS**

Including hashtags in your social media posts is a quick and easy way to improve your social media marketing results. As long as you're using the right hashtags more people will find your content, engage with it, and follow you!

## **4. SHARE INSPIRATIONAL CONTENT**

With so much negativity in the world, people want to see positive, inspiring, and uplifting content on social media. Plus, most businesses spend so much time self-promoting that your followers will find it refreshing to see a post that's meant to brighten their day, not sell them something.

## **5. CELEBRATE HOLIDAYS**

Not only do holiday posts tend to generate lots of "likes" but they're some of the easiest posts you'll create all year. Under this heading include, highlighting your councils activities, awards, events.

Hope this helps.

*Jack Wrbanich, IPSD  
State Council Public Relations*

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## **Campaign for People With Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll Update)**

The fraternal year for the Knights of Columbus is coming to a close. Is your council going to complete your drive to assist those with intellectual disabilities before the end of the fraternal year or is your council planning on running it in the next fraternal year? Either way is great as long as you are working to assist those with intellectual disabilities.

For those councils who are running your drives to assist those with intellectual disabilities this fraternal year be sure to get your money and distribution form turned in before the end of June. Distribution forms can be found on the WI KC website. All forms turned in before the end of June will have money returned this fall. Don't make your groups wait to have money returned to them because someone in your council didn't fill out the form.

Thank you to all the councils who have already run the program this year and those who are planning on running the program. The helping people with intellectual disabilities program hopefully brings as much pride to you and your councils as it does to me as it is truly something that makes us better men. Making us better men, makes us better husbands, fathers, sons, Catholics and members of our communities. Thank you for being that man.

Mark Jelinek  
WI KC ID Director

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### **Beatification Father Michael McGivney**



The establishment of the Father McGivney Guild was certainly a milestone marking the path to our founder's canonization. It operates out of the Supreme Council office in New Haven CT. The guild serves as a clearinghouse for information regarding Father McGivney, promotes devotion to his memory, develops and distributes materials about his life and virtue, receives reports of favors received through Father McGivney's intercession, and receives news of possible miracles. Membership in the guild is open to anyone interested in Father McGivney and his cause, including members of the Knights of Columbus and their families. A guild newsletter is sent to members several times a year. All materials produced to promote information and devotion to Father McGivney are automatically distributed to members of the guild

and, once a month, a mass is offered at St. Mary's Church in New Haven.

Guild membership is now more than 178,000. The Roman process of investigation into Father McGivney's life and holiness is nearing completion, and the investigation into the reported miracle is progressing. Don't be fooled. The growth of the Guild is but one step along the way. There are over 1.8 million members of the Knights of Columbus. Why are so many so hesitant to join the Guild? We have over 35,000 members alone in Wisconsin but as of 4/1/2022 there are only 1,239 Guild member in our State. The Guild depends on us to further the message of Father McGivney. **Membership in the Guild is FREE!** Please consider joining today! Scan this QR code to learn more or visit <https://www.fathermcgivney.org/en/index.html> today!



Fraternally,  
Jack Wrbanich, IPSD  
State Guild Chairman

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## Council PKD and Culture of Life Contributions

It's that time of year again where PKD and CoL collection will come due. I'd like to review how a council can verify what they owe for each, and where to send payment.

As you know, PKD or Penny a Knight a Day supports Catholic Education across the dioceses of Wisconsin. Your contribution stays in your diocese, and a check is provided by the State Council each year to your bishop to be used in supporting your local Catholic schools.

PKD is calculated by multiplying \$3.65 (a penny each day of the year) based in the number of members on each council as of July 1<sup>st</sup> for each member of your council minus Inactive members and Exemption (formerly disabled) members. Last year this article incorrectly indicated to remove honorary life and exemption members; consider this a retraction. The amount due for your council can be found on the State Council Website. To get there, type WIKOFC.com into a web browser and it will forward you to UKnight for the St Council, or use link <https://uknight.org/StateCouncilSite/index.asp?CN=US&ST=WI>. Scroll down the main page to Penny-A-Knight-A-Day where you'll see the fearless Knight in armor. Click on "Read More" which will open a window, then click on the red button on labeled "Council P.K.D. Contributions As Of xx/xx/xxxx" date. This will open a PDF of a spreadsheet where you can look up your council and see what you owe. As checks are deposited you will see the updates and verify your contribution has been received. This is the current hyperlink for those of you who like to bookmark these key pages <https://uknight.org/StateCouncilSite/article.asp?ID=51>

For Culture of Life (CoL), amounts due are calculated similar to PKD except the rate is \$3.50 per. To look up what your council owes, again go to the State Council webpage, but this time click on the gold button "State Forms" under the picture of the Brother Knight praying the Rosary. Scroll about half way down the page to Community, then sub title Culture of Life, then click on Culture of Life Council Fund Donations FY 2021-2022 (xx/xx/xxxx) date. *{The link to this page can change so the best way to access this is to follow the above instructions}* A PDF of a spreadsheet will open allowing you to look up your council's Donations and Amount above or below goal. The amount is a combination of donations from the CoL mailer that went out in November and your council's contributions. Both the PKD and CoL donations are listed on member dues each year but are not required to be paid by members or councils, yet highly encouraged. CoL contributions help fund grants to Pro Life agencies and services across the state.

Checks should be written to Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus or WI State Council Knights for short. Payments should be sent to the State Council office: Knights of Columbus, 4297 W Beltline Hwy, Madison WI 53711.

Administrative Manager, Steve Geishirt

FRATERNAL RESOURCES FOR UKRAINE SUPPORT  
UPDATED RESOURCES  
Keep checking [kofc.org/Ukraine](https://kofc.org/Ukraine)  
For updated information and [news](#) you can use

Continued call for solidarity with Ukraine - Knights rally broad-based support to provide refugee relief

Councils who donate at least \$1,000 to the Ukraine Solidarity Fund may submit and claim program credit in any program category on the Columbian Award (SP-7) application. Councils who donate at least \$4,000 may claim 2 program credits in any program category.



For the latest news and updates from the Order on the situation in Ukraine, please visit [kofc.org/ukraine](https://kofc.org/ukraine).

Over \$17,209,598 donated to  
**UKRAINE SOLIDARITY FUND**

As the situation in Ukraine continues to change, the need to support refugees continues to grow. The Knights of Columbus will be working with our councils in Poland as well as the Latin and Greek Catholic Churches in Ukraine to provide temporary shelter, food, medical supplies, clothing, and communications. 100% of your donation goes directly to support humanitarian aid in Ukraine.



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make a difference.  
[kofc.org/Ukraine](https://kofc.org/Ukraine)





# Officers Online Access

Members in a role permitted access to Officers Online will be emailed an invitation code once the Supreme Council receives the appropriate form from the state council, local council, or assembly indicating the election or appointment, and records this information. If you do not receive an invitation code within a reasonable time, click “Account Assistant” on the sign in page and follow the instructions.

If you previously held a role with access to Officers Online, you do not need a new invitation code. Your access will automatically be reactivated once the appropriate form is submitted.

If you do not remember your log on credentials, click “Account Assistant” or “Password Reset” on the sign in page and follow the instructions. If additional assistance is required contact our Customer Service Department at 800-380-9995, option 2 and provide your membership number and role.

Applications by Roles	Role Description										
	Officers Online	Officers Desk Reference	Office of Youth Protection	Home Corporations	Member Management	Member Billing	By Laws Online	Knights Gear	Supplies Online	Prospect Tab	Candidate Tab
<b>Jurisdiction/ State</b>											
State Deputy	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
State Secretary	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Treasurer	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Advocate	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Warden	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Immediate Past State Deputy	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Executive Secretary	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Membership Director	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
State Program Director	X	X	X	X				X	X		
State Round Table Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Council Reactivation Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Council Retention Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Member Retention Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Insurance Promo Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
NCD Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Ceremonial Chairman	X		X	X				X	X		
Hispanic Council Growth Coord.	X		X	X				X	X		
Online Membership Chairman	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
Additional Membership Roles	X		X	X				X	X		
Online Membership Coordinator	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
State Trainer	X		X	X	X	X		X	X		
<b>4th Degree / Provincial</b>											
Vice Supreme Master	X	X	X	X				X	X		
District Master	X	X	X	X				X	X		
<b>District</b>											
District Deputy	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	
<b>Council</b>											
Grand Knight	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Financial Secretary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Advocate	X	X	X	X			X	X	X		
Deputy Grand Knight	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Treasurer	X	X	X	X				X	X		
Membership Director	X	X	X	X				X	X		
<b>Assembly</b>											
Faithful Navigator	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Faithful Comptroller	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Faithful Admiral	X		X	X			X	X	X		
Faithful Pilot	X		X	X			X	X	X		
Faithful Purser	X	X	X	X				X	X		



## Online Membership

Current e-membership in the state stands at:

CLASS / TYPE – as of date	05-03-2022	05-25-2022	Monthly Change
ASSOCIATE	158	165	+ 7
INSURANCE	39	41	+ 2
INACTIVE	11	11	No change
HONORARY	0	0	No change
HONORARY LIFE	1	1	No change
AFFILIATE in 97048	1916	1909	- 7
EXEMPT	2	2	No change
ASSIGNED	112	114	+ 2
UNASSIGNED	4	5	+ 1
TOTAL	208	217	+ 9
Goals for Assigned and unassigned e-member prospects are ZERO			
New e-members YTD #	304	320	+ 16
New e-members YTD % of target (422)	72%	76%	+ 4%
Conversion into a council YTD #	226	241	+ 15
Conversion into a council YTD %	74%	75%	+ 1%
All time intake #	983	999	+ 16
All time conversion into a council #	715	733	+ 18
All time conversion into a council %	73%	73%	No change

Welcome to the new officers for the 2022-23 fraternal year, especially Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries. Please check your Prospect lists in Officers Online at least once a week. If you have men showing there, **CONTACT** them. **INVITE** them to your Council meetings and activities. While you are together, invite them to attend an in-person or online **DEGREE** ceremony. **After completing the degree, PROCESS** them into your council. This is as simple as entering the degree date (or council approval date for a prior member or transfer in) in the field and clicking the TRANSFER button. If the member does not wish to join your council, please REJECT him and select the appropriate reason. Then please contact me so I may take the appropriate action based on the reasoning. Please review the **RESOURCES** available to you so you may understand how better to perform your duties:

### **ONLINE MEMBERSHIP RESOURCES:**

Please watch the short videos on the Supreme website [Membership Training](#). Click on Membership in the left menu and you will see the available videos. Here are direct links to each.

- [An Introduction to Online Membership](#) 5:36
- [Online Join Process](#) 6:22 This video will be updated soon (so I was told on Feb. 23, 2022) to reflect the new join email verification process.
- [Prospect Tab](#) 3:55
- [Candidate tab](#) 4:00

#### **REMINDERS:**

When joining online, the requirement is that each new member must sign up **himself**.

Online membership is a way for men interested in joining the Knights of Columbus to do so online, it is **not** to be used as a data entry system to enter new members from form 100s, prospect cards or parish lists. Use the Candidate tab for that. Online membership requires a member to join with full knowledge, consent, and active participation in the process. As a reminder, if an individual does not truthfully answer all application declarations, his membership in the Knights of Columbus is void.

#### **REQUIREMENTS:**

- Every man who joins online needs to access [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus) from a compatible device, **personally** complete the online application testifying to all the attestations, and submit the online application **himself**.
- When possible, the member should use his own compatible device.
- The member must use their own valid email address when completing the online application.
- There is a new (as of 02-22-22) process in joining online. Instead of having to enter a verification code (a source of error), after the member completes and submits the first page of the online join process, which include his email address, he is sent an email to verify the email address. That email will contain a clickable link (available for only 24-hours) to complete the join process. Should he fail to act within the 24-hour window, he will see an error message and must restart the join process.

#### **NOT ALLOWABLE:**

- Completing the online application for a member even if they have asked you to do it for them.
- Collecting information from a proposed member on a form 100 or prospect card and using the information to sign the member up for online membership.
- Creating an email account for a member so they can complete the online membership process.

#### **NEW MEMBER PROCESS:**

Follow the standard procedures for a new e-member as with all new members:

- Completed form 100, or assigned e-member status in Prospect tab of Officers Online (OO).
- Admission committee vetting.
- Council action (voting) – see [Guidelines for Online Voting - Motions](#) if holding virtual meetings
- Degree – Member must take the degree **prior** to being transferred into a council.

- Process the new 3<sup>rd</sup> degree member into your council via Form 100 submission or, Online form 100 using the Candidate tab data entry and transfer, or e-member transfer using the Prospect tab.
- **REMEMBER:** If you use either the Prospect tab or the Candidate tab to process your new members, do NOT submit a mailed paper or scanned pdf of the form 100. It just confuses the issue and might result in duplicate entries. Use only one of the available methods.
- Update degree status by entering degree dates for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> degrees in Member Management. This is not an automatic process

WI Online Membership Coordinator  
 William G. Hitt  
[www.kofc.org/joinus](http://www.kofc.org/joinus)

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## Programs

Brothers,

As I write this message, I'm just recovering from my second cataract surgery in 2 weeks, so my eyesight is still compromised though improving immensely – what wonders modern medical science can perform to thereafter honor and glory of God!

After 8 years as your State Program Director, I am stepping aside as of July 1 to welcome in some new energy, ideas and “youth” with your new Director – Ernie Reinhart from Council 973, Kenosha. Welcome, Ernie!!

I still plan to be around next year helping Ernie out where he needs guidance or assistance. I'll still be involved in coordinating Community and Youth programs or however the new Officers may need my services.

That said, please follow through on all the reminders from last month's message, namely:

- 1) Complete your SP7 and Wisconsin Outstanding Council Awards forms soon and get them in to Supreme (SP7) and the State Forms address (both). Be sure they are accurately filled out. Both due June 30.
- 2) Do one final push in June to meet or exceed your Star Council requirements, including membership quotas, Benefits nights, Child Safety Training requirements, etc. Work with your SOIC, GA, FA, DD and Diocesan Program Coordinator to get that done.
- 3) Be sure your PKD and State Culture of Life donations are into the State Office by June 30. Try hard to meet or exceed your 100% quota. If you are unsure of what it is or how much you have in so far, check with Steve at the State Office.
- 4) File your 185 by July 1 with Supreme and the State Forms address. Also, get your annual Roundtable report(s) in.

5) If not already done, hold those all-important planning and review meetings for FY 2021-22 and 2022-23 with your pastor or pastoral team and with your Council officers and directors to evaluate and prepare for your parish's needs and priorities, evaluate what you accomplished last year as a Council, where improvements can be made, what to add, what to change or delete that's not working well, etc. Set up a 6-12 month plan for all program and membership activities for the Council both in and outside the parish.

6) Plan to lead the parish, with father, for that Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession or at another time that fits your schedules. Also, if it's around in June-August, plan on participating in the Icon Prayer Services and Silver Rose Prayer Services. Get your Family Week events for August on the schedule. Set up to do your Soccer Challenge and/or PPK before the September-October fall rush of events begins. Plan also to help out in a big way with your parish festivals, picnics, golf outings, etc. – be there and be visible!

7) Don't forget to arrange for your Officer Installation and to be at your District Meeting in July.

I hope you all have a great summer and a tremendously successful 2022-23 Fraternal Year. Let me sign off by thanking all of you for your efforts these past 8 years, especially my Diocesan Program Coordinators, DDs and especially the State Officers and Administrative Assistants I've had the pleasure to work with these past 8 years. It's been most interesting and rewarding. Take care and God Bless! Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Bill Frayer  
State Program Director



## General Agent Message

Bishops, Priests, State and  
Membership,

It was truly great seeing so  
many people at the state  
convention. People who are

excited about the Knights of Columbus and our mission of action for Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. I appreciate all the kind words and support across the states for us as Insurance Field agents and General Agents. We work hard to bring you the best of what the Knights have to offer every single day, yet we reach not nearly enough of our membership each year. Bringing us together is my focus. Along with bringing new agents on board to serve you even better in the future. Thank you again for all you do and your much appreciated support.

Last Friday, in my Morning Prayers I came across a Saint I wanted to share with you. It is Saint Cyril of Alexandria, he is a doctor of the church, and an "Invincible Champion of the Divine Motherhood of the most Blessed Virgin Mary." He was also hailed as the "Guardian of Exactitude". He made it his duty to preserve and pass on the faith and he never strayed from the teaching of the Fathers. While some may know a little about St. Cyril, I was struck myself by his leadership in two areas, one being that "we will



*profess only one Christ and Lord*” and the other was his writings and teachings, which striving to bring about clarity and unity of doctrine at a time of division in our church. With each account I read I was glad that he was a lover of Mother Mary and believed in teaching the traditional teachings. He was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Leo XIII in 1882. I can imagine our Founder reading about him and picking Unity as one of our pillars being influenced by this saint. This influence, most likely, influenced Fr. McGivney picking Mary as our patron of the Knights of Columbus as well. We are, at this time, encouraged to unite the church around the Eucharistic true presence of Christ in our churches while also bringing others to know and serve the Lord in our time. One of our Bishops spoke at the convention this month saying, *“we were born for this time, and we are Knights of this time”*. I believe he was speaking of our time to be the Church’s voice by our actions of Unity and Charity that will be remembered throughout history for the good we displayed in the world. We all need to mentor new men and their families into the order, and we don’t have to do it alone. We have a great Mother Mary and great Saints to inspire us along the way and wonderful Bishops to lead us as well. Go forth and make disciples. This is our mission. It is *our* call to action.

Vivat Jesus,

Tim Nowak  
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<http://www.kofc.org/careers>

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



PS, Last chance Fraternal Benefits Knight is planned June 14th, 6:30 PM CDT:  
<https://tinyurl.com/SlottJune14>

Look forward to hearing what you think of Ed Slott’s presentation

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## **Culture of Life Update**

Dear Brother Knights,

I don’t normally beg for prayers, but we could use your prayers now, more than ever, for the end to abortion. Since the leak from the Supreme Court, giving us the hope that Roe may be overturned, there has been a change. It is as if that feeling of hope for the end to legal abortion was the match that lit a fire, both in the pro-life world and in the pro-choice world. And that fire is getting hotter. We are feeling

the anger and seeing desperate attempts to intimidate the pro-life community and pro-life organizations.

But this fire of hope is fueling our work with the Knights of Columbus. We are working longer days, harder than ever. I thought we were burning the candle at both ends before the end of April. But lately, it's like drinking from a fire hose. Knights across the state are busier than ever, making sure our voices that speak for the babies are heard.

The Knights of Columbus have a strong presence around the state. In Madison, the Knights help with sidewalk counseling with Vigil for Life, which has been a strong year-round pro-life presence for years and they continue to be. In Sheboygan, there is a great core team of people with 40 Days for Life. We're working to expand those efforts to a year-round campaign. Chemical abortions are up to **39% of the abortion totals** in Wisconsin and the Sheboygan Planned Parenthood is dedicated to chemical abortions exclusively, so it makes sense to ramp up our outreach at this location.

In Milwaukee, Knights continue to come to the abortion centers to pray at three of the four abortion centers whenever they are open. There is also a core team of Knights in Milwaukee who consistently sidewalk counsel at both abortion centers and their results have been nothing short of miraculous. In 2021, there were 317 babies saved at Affiliated Medical Services in Milwaukee. As this is written, we have recorded 199 babies saved at that location and we haven't yet reached the end of May. At this pace, we're hoping to exceed 500 babies saved by the end of 2022, Lord willing!

On the very same day that the SCOTUS leak happened, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services announced that abortion numbers went DOWN in 2020 by 81 babies. That's a 1.2% decrease in abortions when compared to 2019 (6,511 v 6,430). Albeit a small decrease, I bet if you asked those 81 babies how huge they think this is, they would tell you they are happy to be alive. We are too! And Lord knows we tried to save all 6,430.

Our work in the pro-life movement will continue. We would love it to be in a post-Roe world. But whatever the decision, we will continue to support the causes of life. Knights of Columbus councils all over the state are covering the sidewalks at many of Planned Parenthood's 22 other referral centers. All of them would welcome additional help. If God is calling you to do more, please contact [Dan.M@ProLifeWI.org](mailto:Dan.M@ProLifeWI.org) to get involved!

Thank you again for your prayers. So much work has gone into the effort before I arrived on the scene, and there is still much to do. It's never easy—these are times the likes of which we haven't seen before. But God has placed us here, right now, exactly where we need to be. It makes me so proud to see all the work we've done together over the years and I look forward to standing with you in the work we have yet to do.

Vivat Jesus,  
Dan Miller  
Culture of Life  
State Director  
Knights of Columbus  
Wisconsin State Council  
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262-993-6262

## SPECIAL OLYMPICS UPDATE

There are many events during the year that Knights can volunteer to help at. Contact your local Special Olympics Group for details and how to help. Also, there are many State events that can use the help of Knights.

Date	Event	Location	Venue	Lead Contact Information
4-Jun	Team Wisconsin USA Games Send-Off	Milwaukee		<a href="mailto:jwagner@specialolympicswisconsin.org">jwagner@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a> ; 608-442-5669
5-Jun to 12-Jun	USA Games	Florida	Disney	262-518-2313 <a href="mailto:jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org">jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>
9-Jul	District Bocce	Lake Geneva	Badger High School, 220 E South St, Lake Geneva, WI 53147	(262) 518-2316 <a href="mailto:btrewyn@specialolympicswisconsin.org">btrewyn@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>
9-Jul	District Bocce & Softball	Onalaska	Onalaska Parks and Rec + Onalaska Middle School North Fields	715-204-9696 <a href="mailto:mharrison@specialolympicswisconsin.org">mharrison@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>
17-Jul	District Bocce, Softball, Tee Ball	Richfield	Heritage Park Hubertus, WI 53033	262-518-2314 <a href="mailto:aweinfurter@specialolympicswisconsin.org">aweinfurter@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>
19-Jul	District Bocce, Softball	Appleton	Appleton Memorial Park 1620 E Witzke Blvd, Appleton, WI 54911	(920) 659-5911 <a href="mailto:cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org">cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>
TBD-July	District Bocce	Green Bay		(920) 659-5911 <a href="mailto:cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org">cevans@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>
July 29-31, 2022	50th Anniversary Celebration Games (SG & Outdoor Sports Tournament)	Waukesha	Carroll University, 100 N East Ave, Waukesha, WI 53186	262-518-2313 <a href="mailto:jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org">jblank@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>
14-Aug	Southern State Golf	Columbus	Kestrel Ridge Golf Course 900 Avalon Road, Columbus, WI 53925	608-442-5670 <a href="mailto:Nchristensen@SpecialOlympicsWisconsin.org">Nchristensen@SpecialOlympicsWisconsin.org</a>
31-Aug	Forward Madison Unified Team	Omaha	Union Omaha Field	<a href="mailto:emuehlenkamp@specialolympicswisconsin.org">emuehlenkamp@specialolympicswisconsin.org</a>

Please keep our Special Olympics athletes in your prayers.

John Benisch

Special Olympics Coordinator

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## Faith in Action – Family Programs

Hello Brother Knights!

This month continues the great progress for the Family of the Month program. A quick summary is below but click on the Flocknote link below for all the details.



### Family of the Month

Thank you again for an **amazing** month! All the details can be found in the Family Director Flocknote post <https://knightswisc.flocknote.com/FamilyDirector/note/16896082>. Check it out!

#### Supreme

Wisconsin is in 1<sup>st</sup> place in the order and have submitted **10.7%** of all FOMs received by Supreme. The Supreme family of the month is the **James Adams Family** (Somerset Council 6759, District 81, Superior Diocese).

#### Alert!

There were **eleven** families submitted to Supreme, but they could not count the forms because not all the information was submitted on the form. Fields that **MUST** be filled out are:

- Month
- Husband's Name
- Address
- City
- State
- Zip code

If you are submitting a single woman or a widow as your family of the month, **please put their name in the Husband's Name field**. It makes no sense, but not doing so will exclude the family from potentially being chosen as the Supreme Wisconsin Family of the Month.

#### Diocese

Madison Diocese led with **69%** district participation with Green Bay Diocese having the most FOMs by submitting **13** families.

Here are the Diocesan Families of the Month.

Green Bay	John and Jean Blattner	La Crosse	Don and Betty Jankowski
Madison	John and Shelly Pitzl	Milwaukee	Cindy Pujanauski
Superior	James Adams		

#### District

**56%** of the districts submitted at least one family. **Districts on Fire:** Three districts submitted three or more families and eleven districts submitted two families.

## Council

There were no new councils submitting a family of the Month.

## Golden Family Councils

Golden Family Councils are those that submit a family of the month each month of the fraternal year starting in July and ending in the following June. There are 33 Golden Family Councils that submitted families for the fraternal year so far. Thank you, councils, as you are demonstrating true leadership in this program.

## Supreme News

There is a problem with the online 10784 where the family summary is restricted to 250 characters. Supreme is aware of the problem and there is not estimated time of repair.

Here is a link to the video on how to fill out the new **online** version of the 10784 form.

[https://site-842560.bcvp0rtal.com/detail/videos/forms/\\_video/6222163148001/fraternal-programs-report-form-10784-training-video?autoStart=true](https://site-842560.bcvp0rtal.com/detail/videos/forms/_video/6222163148001/fraternal-programs-report-form-10784-training-video?autoStart=true)

After you fill out the online 10784, you will receive a PDF file that you can include in your council history books. **Please forward this PDF to [forms@wikofc.com](mailto:forms@wikofc.com)** so that your family can be considered for the Diocesan Family of the Month award.

Gentlemen, it is a **privilege and honor** to serve you and your councils! **Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help.**

Vivat Jesus!



SK Joe Uchtyl  
State Family Coordinator

Save the DATE!



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**



**Merrill  
Golf Club**

## 2022 State Golf Tournament



### Golf Course Activities Include:

- Shotgun Start @ 9AM
- Men's & Mixed Divisions
- Hole-in-One Events
- Closest-to-the-Pin Contest
- 50 /50 Raffle
- Raffle Items
- Gift Bag & Box Lunch
- **FUN!!!**



### Off-Site Activities Include:

- **Saturday 4PM Mass**  
(St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church)



- **Golfer's Banquet**  
(Saturday – at the Course)
- **Cocktails @ 5PM**  
(Cash Bar)
- **Dinner @ 6PM**  
(Baked Chicken , BBQ Ribs & More!)

**\$85.00 / Person**  
(Day 1 or Day 2)  
**\$150.00 / 2 Days**

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Council #1133

*(See Reverse Side for Registration Form & Additional Information)*



# 2022 State Golf Tournament

## Register Today!



**EVENT DATE:** Saturday & Sunday / July 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> 2022

**EVENT TIME:** Registration @ 7:30AM / Shotgun Start @ 9:00AM

Merrill Golf Club / 1604 O'Day Street, Merrill, WI  
Phone: 715-536-2529 / Email: [manager@merrillgolfclub.com](mailto:manager@merrillgolfclub.com)



Established in the late 1920's, **Merrill Golf Club**, is the one of the oldest 18-hole golf facilities in the Northwoods. After the completion of the back nine in 1986, Merrill Golf Club is one of the more challenging and longest courses in Central Wisconsin. With banquet facility, two bars, and patio overlooking the 9<sup>th</sup> hole, Merrill Golf Club makes a welcome environment for our visiting Knights and their guests!

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** June 30, 2022      **EVENT COST:** \$85 / Day / Person  
\$150 / 2-Days

If a foursome, please list your team captain & all team members below. **Each team member is responsible for their own registration form.** No metal spikes or "cutoffs" please.



TEAM CAPTAIN'S NAME	E-MAIL	PHONE

GOLFER NAME(S)	Council Number	PLEASE MAKE YOUR SELECTION			AMOUNT
		Golf Sat. & Banquet	Golf Sun. & Banquet	Golf Both & Banquet	Total
(Example)		\$85.00	\$85.00	\$150.00	
John Smith	1234			X	\$150.00
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					

**Note:** If golf events for both Saturday & Sunday are not filled, we will put teams together as necessary.  
**Special Note:** I have members of my party that are not golfing but wish to attend the banquet at the course on Saturday evening:

**NUMBER of GUEST DINNERS @ \$16.00 / Person** \_\_\_\_\_

**Send / Fax / E-mail this Entry Form to:**

Fr. Rene Menard Council #1133  
1708 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St. Merrill, WI 54452  
[cohrc@charter.net](mailto:cohrc@charter.net)  
Ph: 715-218-1791; Fax: 877-577-5971

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:**

Please return form w/check payable to: **Fr. Rene Menard Council #1133**

**LOCAL ACCOMODATIONS:**

- AmericInn by Wyndham Merrill: 715-536-7979
- Cobblestone Inn in Merrill: 715-539-6880
- Wausau area hotels (Near Shopping)
- Hilton Garden Inn: 715-298-5775
- Wausau Hampton Inn: 715-848-9700

## State Training Update

As we come to the end of the fraternal year, we need to end the year strong and use that as a momentum boost to start next fraternal year. In preliminary discussions with the incoming officers, we foresee many additions and opportunities in the training sessions that will be offered to the Councils in our state. Prior to the changes, we recommend that the officers review the resources located on the Supreme website.

For the officers and directors, the Supreme website has videos in FRATERNAL 'HOW TO' VIDEOS <https://www.kofc.org/en/videos/fraternal-training-library.html> specifically for Communications, Council Operations, the District Deputy, Forms, Meetings, Membership, Officers Online and Programs.

Other resources include:

FRATERNAL TRAINING WEBINARS <https://www.kofc.org/en/for-members/our-webinars.html>

OFFICER RESOURCES <https://www.kofc.org/en/for-members/resources/fraternal-training/top-officer-resources-page.html>

FAITH IN ACTION RESOURCES

<https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/resources/index.html?1tab=1tab0>

Please also watch for upcoming training sessions offered by Supreme. Flocknotes are sent out with these session information and registration. Recent training sessions have included Delta Drive, Forms, Programs, and Officer Overviews. If you are not on Flocknote, please contact me. Please make use of the resources. They are there to help you succeed. If we can be of assistance, please let us know.

Thank you, God Bless and have a great last month of the Fraternal year and start to a successful next year.

Chuck Rohr, Jr.

920-540-4486, phone or text. Please disregard my voicemail message and DO leave a message.

[wi-dd10-crohrjr@hotmail.com](mailto:wi-dd10-crohrjr@hotmail.com)

Please include "K of C training" in the subject line.

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## Supreme Training Update

Below are the trainings being offered in June along with the Registration links.

### **Grand Knight 101 (overview)**

I have been elected Grand Knight. Now what do I do? Meetings, Appointments, Star Councils, Growth, and many other things a Grand Knight has in front of him. How do I do it? This webinar will cover duties of a Grand Knight and keys to success that will help Grand Knights be the best they can be.

**6/13/22 at 8PM CDT (9PM EDT)**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/3749200933441438990>

### **Grand Knight 102 (Meetings and Protocol)**

In this second segment of the Grand Knight series, we are covering Meetings and Protocol. A brief walk through on meeting and key things a Grand Knight should be doing in the meeting to make it worth the time of the member to attend it. We will also run through some Protocol that will help you with the why and what of the council.

**6/15/22 at 8PM CDT (9PM EDT)**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8873323142086979343>

### **Grand Knight 103 (Forms, Advertising and Marketing)**

In this third segment of the Grand Knight series, we are covering Forms, Advertising and Marketing. Who should fill out the forms? How the flow of money should go through the council. How we can take a form and make it a press release. How to market the Council better.

**6/20/22 at 8PM CDT (9PM EDT)**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/799588368606932235>

### **Delta Drive**

Come learn how to do the Delta Church drive method. this highly effective process of growth through communication will help you go from prospects to members and answer the why of growth.

**6/22/22 at 8PM CDT (9PM EDT)**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/2952207835420023307>

### **District Deputy Overview**

My State Deputy just called; my Appointment as a District Deputy has been approved. Now what do I do? This presentation will help overview some of the things a District Deputy should be aware of. From simple duties to where can I get answers to local council questions. This under an hour presentation will give you a good first foot in the role as District Deputy.

**6/27/22 at 8PM CDT (9PM EDT)**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8379634724633928719>

### **Council Officer overview**

The Leadership of the council is important to the success of it. Good leaders make good council and to pick good leaders we must first know what the responsibilities of each position. During the webinar we will cover the main responsibilities of each officer position. This will be an overview to help us select the next leaders for our next successful year.

**6/28/22 at 8PM CDT (9PM EDT)**

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1958592371538327824>

## St. Joseph Icon Program – Schedule

This year’s Icon Program is with the St. Joseph Icon. We have the Icons, Books, and Cards and they are traveling with the Icons. For more information, please see the Supreme Resources at:

<http://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/faith-in-action-programs/faith/pilgrim-icon.html>

Please contact State Coordinator Dennis Bednarek with any questions on this program.

Transfer date	Icon 1	Icon 2	Icon 3	Icon 4
Saturday, May 21, 2022	72	5	52	32
Saturday, June 25, 2022	67	8	42	22
Saturday, July 30, 2022	73	13	40	24
Saturday, September 3, 2022	49	2	41	30
Saturday, October 8, 2022	50	1	26	29
Saturday, November 12, 2022	48	80	46	27
Saturday, December 10, 2022	63	85	44	28
Saturday, January 21, 2023	62	91	14	90
Saturday, February 25, 2023	69	83	10	89
Saturday, April 1, 2023	60	81	25	87
Saturday, May 6, 2023	61	82	11	
Saturday, June 10, 2023	66		12	
Saturday, July 15, 2023	71		9	

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## THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OF KENOSHA, WISCONSIN



Many families have been struck by the horrible misfortune of miscarriage. Families have been left wondering if it was caused by something they did or didn't do. The grief is sometimes overwhelming.

There is now a place in Kenosha where those struck by miscarriage can go to sit, contemplate, and pray for the souls of these Innocents lost.

We would be honored if you could join us for the dedication of the **Monument to the Unborn**, located at the **Site of Holy Innocents** at All Saints Cemetery in Pleasant Prairie, Wisconsin. The Most Reverend James T. Schuerman - Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will celebrate Mass followed by the dedication ceremony. A light meal and refreshments will be provided after the ceremonies.



Date: Saturday, June 18

Time: Mass begins at 4:00 pm followed by the monument dedication, followed by repast and refreshments

Where: All Saints Cemetery, 3300 Springbrook Road, Pleasant Prairie, WI

BYOC: Bring your own chair!

RSVP: Please RSVP by June 11 to: Terry Glidden – [taglidden@gmail.com](mailto:taglidden@gmail.com) (262) 951-6689