



The Sentinel

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March Grand Knights Message

Greetings and blessings to all of you, your loved ones, family, and friends! When you are in our clubhouse look around and take in all those pictures and the many awards and recognitions on the walls, the clubhouse, and grounds built with the sweat and labor of our past and present fraternal brothers thru all the years of its existence. This is a special place, and you can feel the presence and fraternal love of those who made us what we are, All Saints Council 4240. Being a Knight is a calling, honor, and blessing, not a burden or job!

As we start the 2023 calendar year, take the time to reflect on what you can do this year practicing our principles of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. You each have a direct impact on people lives and as a Knight those principles that you took an oath to honor directly reflect our Catholic faith. I again remind you of the importance that we honor our principles as Knights by setting an example to others by living your Catholic faith and that means to do your best with volunteering with your council Brothers at our fund raising and faith events as Knights of Columbus. Wear your KC gear proudly while out in the community and at church so others see you’re a proud council 4240 Knight. Ask other good Catholic men you know to join us. Our council does a lot of good for those in need and in our community thru our charity fund by serving others and we can’t do that without your support so please help us as you can.

I have been in my role as your Grand Knight now for over two years, and I really need somebody to step up and assist me as Deputy Grand Knight since Tom is unable to continue in his role due to his ongoing rehabilitation. I am doing the work of two officers and need help. In addition, in May and by June we will have elections for incoming officers and our council needs brothers to step up and serve. I am willing to give our council one more year as Grand Knight but keep in mind I am also going to be serving as District 63 Deputy for that same year. Who is stepping up? There is honor in serving.

On February 12 we had our 14th annual PGK Drew Dederich memorial WI Special Olympics Super Bowl fund Raising event under the leadership of Dave Glisczinski with the many volunteers, participants, sponsors, and donors who did an outstanding job raising a record amount of \$3,803.56 for Special Olympics WI. In addition, two of the raffle winners donated back checks for \$100 and \$250

from their winning tickets to Special Olympics WI. At our rescheduled Feb council meeting on March 1st Vicki Dederich, her family, Dennis Dederich, and myself presented a check to Garry Schalla with Special Olympics WI. What a great feeling that night and sense of honor in memory of our beloved PGK Drew Dederich a humble man of faith, who had the vision to start this event. I know Drew is smiling down from heaven on us keeping his dream alive.

God bless you brothers.

Fraternally

Don McInnes

Left: Don McInnes, Vicki Dederich, Dennis Dederich and family give check to Special Olympics



February Knight of the Month – John Krupo

John has been a Knight since January 2020. John was nominated for this recognition by our fellow Knight Don Ouchie. In the short three years John has been a fraternal brother he has volunteered for many activities, including tending the beer tent at Memorial Fest, handing out Tootsie Rolls during the parades, and he attends most council meetings besides being a vigorous supporter of the clubhouse bar! Don in his nomination for John mentioned before even becoming a Knight he arranged a work crew to take care of Don's yard after he had surgery just showing up and did the work. That crew included current Knights Steve Tkachuk, Dean Phillips and Pat Klaver. He is also one of our brothers who volunteers to pick up Bob Steliga and bring him to the clubhouse to enjoy fellowship or attend events. I can attest that as your GK John has and is fulfilling our principles of charity, unity, and fraternity.

Thank you brother, God Bless you.

February Family of the Month – Ken and Nancy Wildt

Ken originally joined this council in Sep 1985, left and rejoined our fraternal order in Oct 2022. Ken and Nancy were nominated by Mike Krawczyk so I thought it would be appropriate to see Mike's nomination.

Don,

I would like to nominate Ken, his wife, Nancy Wildt as our council family of the month. For the following reasons plus so many more I don't even know of. Ken and Nancy have been members of St. Mary's Parish 48 years. The following is a list of some of the things that they were part of during this time.

Ken coached basketball and football at St. Mary's. For many years Ken and Nancy have been lecterns and still are for about 25 or more years. The two of them had managed the entire St Mary's annual festival which includes running the raffle, staffing, purchasing all the food, the cooking of the food and serving the food.

Ken and Nancy have been actively involved in a faith sharing group at the parish for a long period of time. Nancy had been ahead of the RCIA program for a number of years. The two of them were heavily involved with coordinating and running the senior social luncheon every month at St Mary's. They are also instrumental with running the annual senior road trip, which was planned organized and managed by the two of them once every year for the last 10 years or more.

I know I am only scratching the surface on many other aspects of their full involvement with Saint Mary's Parish I don't know Nancy's age, but I know Ken is 86 years old and is still an active member of the Do Dad's 's, which on a weekly basis with other men of the parish do lot of handiwork around St. Mary's campus. He has been involved with this activity for a minimum of 15 years.

Mike Krawczyk

We are absolutely blessed to have them and for that I thank and recognize them.

Knight of the Year 2022 – Mike Krawczyk

Mike has been a 3rd degree Knight and fraternal brother of our council for over 27 years. Mike has volunteered for many council programs over his many years as a brother Knight and is currently serving as a council officer as treasurer. He ran the KC State Knowledge Contest for our council the past 15 years. Mike is very involved with several different Right to Life organizations over many years and is very passionate and unwavering support serving the Pro-Life Movement and



who also serves our council as Life Director. All you need to do is listen to him at a council meeting and witness firsthand the passion this dedicated man and soldier of Christ exudes defending with his unwavering support for the unborn from the evils of abortion. I proudly stand with him and am so honored to know this humble and caring man I call Brother. Mike is a volunteer for the Saint Mary meal program serving the underprivileged. He volunteers when the parish needs extra hands to fix or do something. Mike is very involved and active within his parish Saint Mary and serves our council as its parish liaison most recently assisting me with setting up the KC Silver Rose program, the current WI State Council Youth Catholic Bible program for 25 bibles our council has donated to both Saint Mary and Saint Anthony confirmation students, as the Parish Tootsie Roll program Captain. Mike also stepped-up last year to take my position as Parade Marshal working with Jim Schneider and Rick Plumley for parade planning in advance and leading parade Marshall volunteers the day the Memorial Day parade since I ride in it as Grand Knight. We are all so blessed to have this good man as our fraternal brother.

God bless you and thank you brother!

Family of the Year 2022 John and Barb Schleicher

John and Barb have certainly set the bar by their consistent involvement in their Parish Saint Mary, raised their four children in our Catholic Faith and always being there within our Knights of Columbus council. John usually takes the lead on large events getting volunteers. John a Past Grand Knight and our current Financial Secretary has always led by example and continues to with his ongoing involvement in our council in many volunteer and leadership positions. As current Grand Knight I could not function, and our council certainly couldn't either without a good Financial Secretary and we are very blessed to have him serve in that capacity. I am fortunate to have John as a mentor and someone I can trust when I need advice or someone to lean on who has been there. John and his son Tyler are parish Ushers at Saint Mary's. Barb is a Eucharistic Minister and helps clean the church. Both John and Barb are staunch supporters of the Pro-Life initiatives and support WI Right to Life and Life's Connections fund raising efforts. They donated the Keep Christ in Christmas signs the last few years. They also participate in Men of Christ and Woman of Christ. Johns Son Tyler who is a 3rd degree Knight is our Sentinel newsletter Editor. Both John and Tyler volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and are always volunteering at council fund raising activities

that benefit our local community. John is also our exemplification degree team leader. They are exemplary role models of a solid Catholic family and outstanding Knights of Columbus family. John and his family were always active members of the Saint Mary parish community but once he joined our KC fraternity and local council over 8 years ago our council additionally greatly benefited from this good man, his wife Barb, their son Tyler, and their three daughters. Our Family of the Year awardees absolutely define "In service to one, In service to All!

Thanks for everything you guys do for our faith, council and community; God bless.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS.....

Brother Tom Richter and Martha Richter, Brother John Mackowski, Tyke Munnagle, Janet Dwyer, Pat Heitkemper, George and Rose Lucas, Lori Cherweznik, Debra Orth, Stacy Barrett, Karen Weber, Kay Mackowski, Father Rick Wendell, Brother Rob Keller, Brother Robert Howe, Brother Jim Endres, Brother Joe Roskopf, Brother Jim Stuer, Brother Vic Johnson, Brother James Carey and Brother Mark Wagner, Linda Pitrof, Joyce Deuppen, Andrew Bub If you know of a brother in need of our prayers, please let us know.

Clubhouse Information

Clubhouse hours

Clubhouse opens to the public at 3pm on every Tuesday and Friday. It's a great place for family, friends, and coworkers to socialize!

Membership Information

Contact **Mike Elmer at 262-893-5403** or **John Schleicher at 262-893-7306** for membership forms or information. Mike is also available to speak to any potential members about joining, if you'd like his partnership.

Change is good!

...but not if we lose touch! If you move or get a new phone number, or email address, please contact John Schleicher, our Financial Secretary, at **262-893-7306**, or by e-mail at jmsbas@wi.rr.com

Our KofC Co 4240 website

Be sure to visit our redesigned website! Let us know how you like it and if there is anything else you'd like to see on it. www.kofc4240.org

Mailing Address

Brother Knights: Please use **P.O. Box 151** when sending correspondence to the Council. Mail is **NOT** delivered to the Water Street address

Submitting Sentinel Articles

Interested in submitting an article for the Sentinel? It's easy! Just contact Tyler Schleicher through email address Schleichert12@gmail.com

Charity Report February 2023

Checks for our two seminarians were sent out in February, \$500 each. Please continue to keep Charles Pomroy and Jacob Bruns in your prayers as well as all seminarians.

Below are the charity requests approved at the Wednesday, March 1, 2023 General Member meeting.

Donation: Badger Boys State

Donation Details: A program to change a lifetime, Badger Boys State educates young leaders on how to become more impactful community members of Wisconsin. During the program, high school students between their junior and senior years learn how our government system works by creating their own city, county, and state level governments. Over 850 participants leave feeling inspired by the lifelong lessons and relationships developed at Badger Boys State.

Our council supported this yearly prior to covid 19.

Donation Sponsor: Ray Etzel

Amount: \$400

Donation: 2023 Men of Christ Conference

Donation Details: Support for 2023 Men of Christ Conference a hybrid conference being held at parishes nationwide, including St. Anthony's. Money donated will help support the local conference on Saturday March 11, 2023.

Donation Sponsor: Andy Wiesner

Amount: \$1000

Corporation report

The bar will be open for the NCAA tournament.

We are looking for someone to help manage our KoC website. If you are aware of anyone who would be interested, please let us know.

We have someone managing our councils social media. We now have an active Facebook account as well as an Instagram account. Please follow to keep up to date on upcoming events!

Instagram: Knights_of_Columbus_mr

Facebook: Knights of Columbus Menomonee Falls

Menomonee Falls All Saints Council 4240 Officers

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Trustee 2 – Bob Steliga

Trustee 3 – Tom Lutz

Inside Guard – Mike Bub

Outside Guard – Kurt Barrett



Drew Diederich memorial Super Bowl party







Knights at annual bowling tournament

Knights Mike Elmer and Andy Weisner with former MLB Mike Sweeney at Men of Christ planning



Help Wanted!

Events & Program Advertiser – We are looking for someone who will take charge of advertising our councils and corporations events. Duties would include creating/ updating (current) event fliers, sending fliers to our local parishes, and web page handler, creating events/posts promoting events using Facebook, coordinating placing of fliers at local businesses, and utilizing other forms of advertisement for our council. If you are interested in learning more about this position, please contact Mike Elmer @ crazy_e98@hotmail.com or 262-893-5403.

March

2 Mike Reesman	9 Andy Bley	19 Jerome Balsewicz
4 Michael Gigot	9 John Krupo	20 Cy Swecichowski
5 Ruben Obregon	11 Manny Devera	21 William Donlin
6 Rev Robert Kroeger	11 Patrick Klaver	29 David Krull
6 Patrick Wagner	14 Joseph Bilgo	30 Jim & Julie Lenahan
6 Bob Groth	16 Robert Kucharski	30 Pat Semrow
7 Lois Schneider	16 Mike Marking	30 Jim Stuer
	18 Roger Floyd	31 Strur Gilles





If your birthday or anniversary are not listed, please let me know so I can update the list.

Thanks, Tyler Schleicher

schleichert12@gmail.com

Saint of the Month St. Benjamin March 31st

St. Benjamin is a saint we don't know about, the only thing for certain outside his. Martyrdom he was born 329AD and. Lived most of his life in Persia or modern day Iran. In 420 a bishop destroyed a Zoroastrian fire temple, and in punishment for the bishops deed the Persian king Isdegerd ordered the imprisonment and torture of hundreds of Christians. Even after Isdegar's death, his son Varanes would continue the persecutions and in 421AD the deacon Benjamin was imprisoned. An ambassador from the Byzantine empire was able to get Benjamin released on the condition he would not preach the gospel. Right after his release Benjamin went to preach the gospel and was immediately brought to the king. For his death for preaching the gospel, Benjamin had reeds thrust into his nails, and all over his body, then had a knotted stake rammed into his bowels to tear him apart. He died in 424 A.D

Book of the Month:
Many are Called
By Scott Hahn

Catholicism's most distinguished bible scholar show the importance of the priesthood. In less than 200 hundred pages Scott Hahn laid out the biblical roots of the priesthood and explores it has with all the roles priest had to play. With us still living in the aftermath of the sex abuse crisis it's important to see what trues priesthood means and how it can should be lived out.

Important Dates:

Mar 1 Rescheduled Council meeting 7PM Special Olympics WI check presentation
Mar 5 Church Drive Pancake Breakfast Saint Mary Parish after Sunday masses
Mar 8 Corporation meeting 6PM Officers meeting 6:30PM
Mar 11 Men of Christ Saint Anthony Mass 7:30AM with program to follow
Mar 13 Bingo Menomonee Falls Health Services 7PM Need volunteers
Mar 15 Memorial weekend Duck Derby/Parade planning meeting 6PM
Mar 22 Council meeting 6PM with Fraternal Benefit webinar at 7PM No rosary
Apr 10 Bingo Menomonee Falls Health Services 7PM Need volunteers
Apr 12 Corporation meeting 6PM, Officers meeting 6:30PM
Apr 22 Tootsie Rolls at masses 4:30PM Saint Anthony 5PM Saint Mary need
volunteers
Apr 23 Tootsie Rolls at masses 8AM and 10:30AM Saint Anthony 8AM and 10:30AM
Saint Mary need volunteers
Apr 26 Council meeting 7PM Rosary 6:30PM
Apr 28/29 KC WI State Council Convention Green Bay WGK Don M and WFS John S
attending

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