

# Knight News

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## IMPORTANT INFO!

If you know of other members of the council who might not be receiving this newsletter, please pass their email information along to Tony Sachse as well so we can add them to the mailing list.

Dues notices and charity raffle tickets are included with this mailing. Please address them as soon as you receive them. Thank you to the many members that have returned them already!



## Grand Knights Corner

January 2021 Newsletter

Brother Knights,

Happy New Year to you and yours. We pray, with Blessed Michael McGivney's intercession, that 2021 is a good year for all knights. A 2020 year in review video can be viewed at [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org).

Thanks to the Knights who helped set up take down and clean up the nativity scene in downtown. Our annual display was recognized by the city and received a large amount of support! Thank you also for the large number of members that purchased and displayed Keep Christ in Christmas signs and magnets helping to remind everyone about the reason for the Christmas season.

Would you like to help increase the **membership** to the Knights of Columbus and help the council save some money? If the council can bring in Two (2) new members between January 1<sup>st</sup> and March 15<sup>th</sup> the State council will exempt our council from the second part of the State Per Capita assessment. In the case of the council this could be over \$400.00! We need your help! its.

✓ The MCGIVNEY2020 promo code continues until June 30, 2021 allowing prospects to join the Knights for FREE. Here is the link:

<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

You should have all received the **Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity** with last month's mailing. This survey of volunteer hours is important for multiple reasons including the tax status of the Knights of Columbus. Please complete the survey and return it soon, such as with your dues payment or at the January council meeting. We must submit the report by the end of the month. When calculating service hours, remember that family members and volunteers assisting the Knights can be counted towards your totals.

Please continue your efforts to **Leave No Neighbor Behind** during the New Year. Please help us grow our council by extending an invitation to Catholic gentlemen (18 years and older) to join the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus,

Grand Knight Ray Seegers

## Faith

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St. Peter the Fisherman Church could use additional volunteers as ushers, servers, etc. Volunteers who have flexible hours are needed for funerals. Please contact the parish office at (920) 793-4531 or Sheila Bialek to volunteer. Having knights step up for these activities is an important role we play in supporting the church.

Also continue to pray your rosary each day. We as Knights have been given this to pray each day and in the stillness of our hearts took the vow to do so during our exemplification. Now more than ever our prayer can provide comfort to ourselves and help to others. In an effort to promote our faith, we were able to distribute quite a few "**Keep Christ in Christmas**" yard signs and car magnets before Christmas. Our council provided **Consecration to the Holy Family** prayer cards for distribution at mass on the Feast of the Holy Family in December.

## Family

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Thank you to Dan and Collette Tegen and Ed and Noreen VanderBloomen for their help in preparing the third degree council's Sunday Supper this past December 13<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate your service!

Congratulations to Kelly Hilliker for being named **Knight of the Month**. Congratulations to Al & Cookie Lewis for having been named **family of the month** at the December meeting.

December KoM: Kelly Hilliker

December FoM: Al and Cookie Lewis

Each year 12 families are chosen as families of the month. Below you will see each of them and a brief description of what they were nominated for. Please consider whom you feel best represents the council as our Family of the Year. We will then submit their information to the State and Supreme councils for their consideration.

### **January 2020**

**Claude and Judy Vogel**- Claude has been a member of our council since 2004. He has held the roles Inside Guard, Outside Guard, Warden, and Chancellor. He is a 23 year veteran of the Air Force. Claude and his wife Judy are members of Saint Peter the Fisherman Parish and Claude has volunteered to support various parish activities. He has helped annually with the Lifesavers for Life fundraiser for the crossing and has also co-chaired the Tootsie Roll drive for our council as well.

### **February 2020**

**James and Kay Schulz**- Jim has been a member of our council since 2007. He is a past Grand Knight of the council. He has also been a member of the House Committee. Jim has also been very active donating his time to council and church activities. He is a 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knight and a member of the honor guard. He is currently the chair of the council's State Charity Raffle ticket sales. He and Kay are members of Saint Peter the Fisherman and serve as greeters for Sunday Mass. Kay is a member of the parish Ladies Association and works for the Ladies Holiday Bazaar and helps with funeral dinners at the church.

### **March 2020**

**Timothy and Carol Zadalis**- Tim has recently retired from a long career in the Air Force and has been a member of our council for only a few years, but a Knight for many more. Tim has volunteered his time helping with the State Bowling Tournament and many other fundraisers as well. Tim is a member of the VFW and a member of the honor guard which provides Final Respects for local veteran's funerals. Tim is a mentor for 4 students from The Ohio State University who are doing a research project for the Navy. He is also a volunteer mentor for a local small software startup company. Tim is also spearheading a project to build a statue to recognize the only Congressional Medal of Honor of Recipient from Two Rivers, Staff Sergeant Andrew Miller from World War II. Tim is also an adjunct professor in for the College of the Air Force in leadership studies. Tim

calls his wife Carol the real hero of the family as she keeps everything together and does work with local hospice organizations.

#### **April 2020**

**Edward, Jr. and Noreen VanderBloomen**-Ed has been a long time member of the council since 1992. He has served in many roles for the council including Grand Knight, as a trustee and currently as the council treasurer. Ed is a 4<sup>th</sup> degree member and currently serves as the Assembly's Faithful Navigator. In addition, he is a Past Master of the Eastern District of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree serving 4 years in that role. Ed and Noreen are member of Saint Francis of Assisi Parish in Manitowoc. There they both serve as Eucharistic Ministers and Sacristans. Ed also is a lector and server. They served as foster parents for 6 years and Ed has also taught CCD for Grades 11-12. He is a past campaign chair for the United Way. Ed and Noreen played an important role in the State Bowling Tournament our council hosted with Manitowoc Council 710. He and Noreen have 3 children and have been married for 50 years.

#### **May 2020**

**Anthony and Susan Sachse**- Tony has been a member of the council since 1998. During this time, he has held the roles of Warden, Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight and currently as the Financial Secretary of the council. He chairs our math and spelling contests and serves as the council's Program, Community, and Family Directors. Tony has helped chair many of our council fundraisers. He is also involved in many other community activities including the revival of the Two Rivers Snow Festival. Tony is a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree and he and his wife Susan are members of Saint Peter the Fisherman Parish in Two Rivers.

#### **June 2020**

**Hartley and Ruth Arsta**- Hartley has been a member of the council since 2014 and has served as Recorder for the council for much of that time. He is a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree and currently serves on the Parish Finance Council as its Chair. He has also been a Treasurer Trustee for the parish. He served as Parish Council Chairperson during the merger of the four parishes in the city of Two Rivers into Saint Peter the Fisherman Parish. He serves as a Lector and hospital communion distributor. He has served on many Boards of Directors in the community as well and has been active in our council's fundraisers. He and his wife Ruth have been married for 49 years and have two adult sons.

#### **July 2020**

**Michael Wojta**- Mike has been a member of the council since 1997 and has recently served as Grand Knight and the council's Vocations Committee Chair recently when he became the Recorder for the council. He is a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree. He has been a single parent since an annulment 23 years ago. He has one daughter and two sons. Mike serves the parish as an usher, server, and is part of the cleaning crew helping to disinfect pews and other surfaces in the gathering space following mass. He has served as an officer in several other local community and veterans' groups in the community. He has been active in our local fundraisers and the State Bowling Tournament

#### **August 2020**

**Kelly and Dawn Hilliker**- Kelly is a recent new member to the council. He and Dawn have served for many years on parish communities including in the Consolidation/Transition and Faith and Worship Advisory Committees. He previously was the Charter President of the local Optimist club, has been a Cub Scout Den Leader, has coached youth soccer, swimming, baseball, basketball and cross country both locally for the parish schools and for Roncalli Catholic High School. Kelly is an engineer by trade. Dawn has served in various offices with the Optimists both locally and at a state level and she has also led a Youth Optimist Club for the local parish grade school. He has been a Girl Scout Troop Leader and is the Municipal Clerk of Court. They both have been fierce advocates for school choice and have worked in support of Roncalli Catholic High School. Their family is still very close, and their son Cullen has begun his formation as a novitiate with the Dominican Friars Central Province of Saint Albert the Great.

#### **September 2020**

**James and Ann Dier**- Jim has been a member of the council since 1990. He held the role of Recording Secretary for many of those years and was the council's warden. He is a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree and is part of the honor guard as well. He is the

recording secretary for the Columbian Home as well. He has volunteered a great deal of time with the Columbian home as well as helping at the annual Christmas Party for the developmentally disabled, free throw contests, the annual Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance, Bingo, and the Tootsie Roll Drive. He and Ann are members of Saint Peter the Fisherman Parish in Two Rivers. He is former trustee and usher. Ann, lectors and belongs to the Ladies Association. She has served on the Finance and Parish Councils. She is a former Girl Scout Leader and cheerleading coach. Jim has also coached Little League and Junior League for many years as well. They have been married for 49 years and their two adult children attended Catholic Schools for 8 years.

#### **October 2020**

**Dan and Collette Tegen**-Dan has been a member of the council since 1993. He is a past Grand Knight and recently served as treasurer for the Bowling Tournament committee. Dan is also the manager of the Columbian Home and has served as the council's Membership chair. He is a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree and currently fills the roll of the Scribe. Dan has been an active fundraising chair volunteering at many of the council's fundraisers. Additionally, the volunteers for many of the council's events. Dan and Collette are members of Saint Peter the Fisherman Parish in Two Rivers. Dan chairs the Worship Environment Committee and serves mass regularly. Both he and Collette are Eucharistic Ministers and work as A/V operators as well. They have been part of the Worship Committee and both have been past presidents of Home School Association. They have been involved in the RCIA program as well. Dan and Collette have been married for 48 years; their three adult children attended Catholic schools throughout their education.

#### **November 2020**

**Deacon Paul and Laura Gleichner**-Deacon Paul has been a member of our council since 2015 and serves as both the Pastoral Leader of Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Parish as the council's spiritual advisor. As Pastoral Leader he oversees the Pastoral Team, Faith Formation Team, and Parish Administrative Team. Deacon Paul and Laura have been married for 30 years and have three children. Laura is the Title 1/Reading Specialist for LB Clarke Middle School. She conducts a student Thank You project for area veterans on Veterans Day. Deacon Paul was ordained to the deaconate of the Diocese 16 years ago by Most Reverend Bishop David Zubick. He served at Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish in Newton before returning to his home parish. He chairs the Evangelization and Living Justice Committees. He is on the Board of Trustees for Roncalli Catholic Schools, the Board of Education for the Diocese of Green Bay, and its Deacon Council. He conducts regular pastoral visits to hospitals and nursing homes as well as assisted living facilities. He additionally liturgically presides at funerals, weddings, baptisms, and various parish life and community functions. He is a member of the Desert Veterans of Wisconsin, a past member of the Elks and Kiwanis, and has served twice as Commander of VFW Post 1248.

#### **December 2020**

**Alton (Al) and Cookie Lewis**- Al and Cookie Lewis are members of Saint Peter the Fisherman Catholic Parish for over 5 years. Al serves as Cantor for daily mass and teaches Middle School LIFETIME and EDGE classes. Cookie serves as a lector and teaches Grade school Religious Education classes. They both taught CCD for over 25 years as members of Holy Cross Parish in Mishicot. They have 7 children all of which were educated through the catholic school system.

## **Community**

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Charity Raffle tickets were sent with the last newsletter. Thank you to those who have returned them already. Please consider either purchasing them yourself or selling them to friends and family. A portion of these sales comes back to the council for our charitable works and helps to support the State Council in their grant programs for major needs.

Please send your ticket stubs and money (check payable to Knights of Columbus Council 1957) to Brother Jim Schulz our raffle chairmen. His address is listed below.

Jim Schulz

2932 40<sup>th</sup> Street

Two Rivers, WI 54241

In pursuit of the Star Council award this year we are focusing on programs each month of the Fraternal year. For the month of January, we plan to focus on:

Leave no Neighbor behind- reach out to those around you shut in or less fortunate this holiday season to see what you can do to help them.

Knowledge Contests-done in conjunction with LB Clarke staff. More information to come!

Special Olympics support-a portion of our Tootsie roll proceeds are being donated this year to support Special Olympics!

Rosary Program-Will be done on the fifth Sunday of this month-Please try to attend the mass if possible.

Novena for Life-We will be working with the parish and the members of the council to pray the Novena this month.

## [Life](#)

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Due to the ongoing effects of the COVID 19 pandemic as well as the restrictions currently in place at the parish the council made the decision to not hold our Lifesavers for Life drive this year. Instead the council will donate to the Crossing Crisis Pregnancy center from some of the proceeds of the State Council bowling tournament. We hope to be able to return to sales of the Lifesavers this coming year.

Thank you to those members of the council that supported the 40 days March in Manitowoc.

## [Fourth Degree](#)

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The Sir Knights of the Fourth Degree are planning a Virtual Fourth Degree Exemplification on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 1:00pm in the afternoon. If you are interested in advancing to the Fourth Degree, please reach out to Sir Knights Ed Vanderbloomen or Sir Knight Tony Sachse. We will be glad to help you advance to this next level in the Knights of Columbus. We continue to meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. We hope to see all of you there.

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