

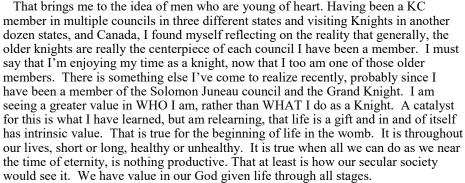
Council Compass— Young & Young of Heart

Steve Hesprich, Grand Knight Brother Knights and friends,

For this issue of **Knight's Compass** we cover a wide variety of topics as it's a time of great activity. I didn't get this published when I wanted, so I am combining this issue with November.

In 4 weeks I will be celebrating my 25th anniversary as a Knight. For 25 years I've been hearing that the Knights have a lot of nice old men. Increasingly I hear from the levels above the council that it is necessary to bring young men into the Order, that if we don't there won't be

members young enough to do all the projects we as Knights want to do.



Having told of the value of us "mature" members, I would say the journey to that maturity came for many, earlier in life, when young. Therefore we need to encourage young men to join so they can experience the value of the journey to maturity of age.

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The full newsletter is on our council web page on the parish web site:

https://stpatricksmauston.com/parish/knights-of-columbus/



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Christ's Compass—Life & Death

The Fall, especially the month of November brings two poignant ideas into focus—Life and Death. November 1st is All Saints Day the celebration of those who live forever in the kingdom of Heaven. November 2nd is All Souls Day, in which we pray for all those deceased family and friends who we know will celebrate an eternity with God, but must first be purified in purgatory.

Our council will commemorate the deceased members of our council, and in particular those since 2010 by name. That Mass will be on All Souls Day, Tuesday, November 2nd, at the 5:30 pm Mass.

We don't know the eternal disposition of our departed brothers but we pray in this memorial Mass that they will reach Heaven.

Invite those widows and family members to attend this Mass of remembrance as we lift our brothers up in prayer. You can see the names of those who have passed away in the last 11 years in the article to the right.

Throughout the month of November to the Feast of Christ the King (November 21st) we will remember those who have gone before us. At St. Patrick, as at most Catholic churches, we have a book of remembrance in the gathering area as you enter the church where you can write the names of those you want remembered in prayer. The Feast of Christ the King talks about the end times and salvation. We would be well advised to pay attention as "at a time when you do not expect, the Master will return".

Christ's blessing upon you,

*7r. John*Pastor & Council Chaplain

Punt, Pass, Kick

By Jon Field, Chairman

Each Fall Knights of Columbus councils host Punt, Pass and Kick contests that begin at the council level, with winners participating at a district or regional level, and then finally a state competition. There are 5 age groups for both boys and girls, 8 year olds through 12 year olds.

We hosted the event on Thursday September 30th. Winners of the age groups are as follows:

8 yr old boys: Colton Miller 8 yr old girls: Sophia Harrison 9 yr old boys: Wyatt Adler

9 yr old girls: Molly Murphy

10 yr old boys: Nick Coleman 10 year old girls Elayna Cordero 11 year old boys: Ozzy Chavez 12 year old boys: Eian Cordero

Regional competition took place on Sunday, October 17th. Two of our participants won their age group and now go on to the State competition in Eau Claire on Saturday October 30th. Those winners are Ozzy Chavez and Elayna Cordero. We wish them the best in the state competition!



Annual Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights

On Tuesday November 2nd at 5:30pm, our council will be commemorating the passing of our council members over the past number of years (2010 to the present). While we will remember all former members of our council who passed away as members, we will honor by name those members who have died since 2010. Here are the names we will honor:

Gerald	Boehm (2021)		
Robert	Boehm		
Br James	Boyle		
Michael	Brown		
Paul	Burns		
Donald	Cocot		
Peter	Conway		
Thomas	Curran		
Timothy	Curran (2021)		
Steve	Dean		
Charles	Druba		
Herbert	Finger (2020)		
Leroy	Fox		
John	Grzenia		
Walter	Kerman		
Dennis	Kolba (2020)		
Michael	La Porte		
John	Laridaen		
Jerome	Ledermann		
Frank	Machnik (2021)		

	John	Mc Gowan		
	Frank	Modjeski		
	Daniel	Moser (2021)		
	Walter	Nielsen		
	Charles	Petrowitz		
	Fr. Thomas	Reardon		
	Fr. Arnold	Reuter		
	Jeff	Schwab		
	Gerald	Seitz		
	William	Smith		
	Harold	Smith (2020)		
	Gerald	Steiner		
	Donald	Strack		
	John	Sustar		
	James	Theusch		
	Donald	Van Pee		
	Louis	Varga		
	Francis	Walsh		
1	Carl	Wilke		
)	William			

As we have now entered the Christmas season buying, the parish reminds you that if you are using Amazon for your Christmas shopping (and beyond), that you consider setting up the parish as a recipient of .5% of all your purchases.



You will pay the same price for Amazon purchases whether you choose to have Amazon donate or not. Just Amazon keeps the extra .5% if you don't choose to specify a charity to benefit. Here's the link to start donations:

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-0863069 Or,

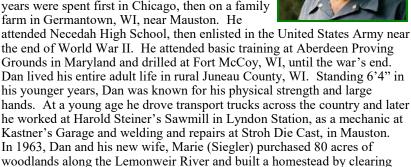
go to smile.amazon.com and search "Saint Patricks Church". You can still use your Amazon SCRIP to pay!!

The Compass of Life—Dan Moser

Excerpts from Crandell Funeral Home Obituary https://www.crandallfuneral.com/obituary/daniel-moser

Daniel Victor Moser, age 94 of Mauston, passed away peacefully on September 19th at the VA Medical Center in Tomah, WI.

Dan was born July 16, 1927 to Isaak and Maria Moser (Slovik) in Chicago, Illinois. His early years were spent first in Chicago, then on a family farm in Germantown, WI, near Mauston. He



land and building a home using lumber milled from the property.

On the "Brush Farm," the family lived close to the land, heating with wood while also raising chickens and milk goats along with garden produce, a fruit orchard, growing wheat and collecting wild berries and mushrooms when in season. Dan had many stories such as driving off a large, aggressive black bear by hand using the only tool he had with him, a large pipe wrench. Dan was ok and the bear took off after getting a sudden headache.

Dan was well-read, conversant in many topics, ranging from politics to history, nature & science. He loved animals; pets, birds that visited his feeders, & wildlife they saw on family vacations in the American West. Yearly road trips with Marie and their children took them from the Dakotas across the Rocky Mountains all the way to the Redwoods of Olympic

National Park, Mt Rainier and up into Banff National Park in Alberta. Exploring, hiking and photography were highlights of many trips in Glacier National Park, Yellowstone and the Tetons.

After "retiring," Dan continued working as an arborist with his friends George Braun and Rich Valloni. He was a truly remarkable mechanic and tradesman; able to repair, fabricate, or build almost anything. He possessed an encyclopedic knowledge of electrical and mechanical systems and was skilled in welding, carpentry, and auto restoration.

Noteworthy projects were rebuilding a full-sized Adams road grader which was well known in his neighborhood when he fired it up, along with various farm tractors, a Caterpillar loader and a dump truck.

In his later years, Dan maintained friendships with the "Busy Bee Gang," a varied group of characters who started their days with coffee, whatever George cooked that day and endless banter at the cafe in Mauston. Dan is among the last of the "Greatest Generation," sturdy people who rose to the call and saw an emerging nation through times of global conflict. People started with nothing and built a homestead through hard work and knowledge. He was an observant Catholic his entire life.

Dan is survived by his sons, Dr. Duane (Christiana) Moser of Las Vegas, NV, David Moser of Chippewa Falls, WI, and daughter Cathy (Lee) Gettelfinger and grandson Ryan of Mequon, WI. He was preceded in death by his devoted wife of 40 years, Marie (Siegler); brothers, Hank and Fred, and sister, Helen.

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Bishop Donald Hying



Fr. Donald Calloway



Steve Karlen

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Every man who attends will receive a St. Joseph Strong Challenge Coin touched to over 150 relics of saints.



The Compass of Life-Jerry Boehm

Excerpts from the Crandall Funeral Home Obituary and added notes https://www.crandallfuneral.com/obituary/

gerald-boehm

Gerald "Jerry" Lloyd Boehm was born

Gerald "Jerry" Lloyd Boehm was born December 23, 1926 in Chicago, Jerry attended schools in the area and worked for Miller Brewing for 31 years.

He is survived by his loving wife of 70-years, Marie Marcella Boehm. Further survived by his

six children: Linda Zwieg (Dave Brezinski), William Boehm, Ronald Boehm (Darlene), Gary Boehm (Sandy), Judy Boehm (Steve Stiloski) and Stephen Boehm (Mary) along with ten grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Joined in his final rest with his mother, father, siblings and grandchildren Solomon, Samuel, Joe, Bethanny Boehm, and David Erdman.

Jerry was one of ten children (Art, Bob, Don, Ralph, Leroy, Julian, Joyce, Leonard, and June) with Don being the last surviving sibling. Although born in Chicago, the Boehm family soon moved to Mauston where Jerry met the love of his life, Marie Dlask. Growing up during the Depression caused Jerry to understand the value of

Jerry Boehm entered eternal life on Thursday October 21, 2021

many things, most of all the importance of family and friends. His frugality and engineering gift, made him an expert at repairs and he is fondly remembered as the dad, (or grandpa), that could fix anything. Jerry believed in a life of service to others. He spent many hours volunteering his time to the Lions Club when in Allenton, then later 28 year, 3rd degree, Honorary Life member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Patrick's where you could find him most Sunday Masses and Friday Adoration, leading the Rosary.

Jerry was a gentleman in the truest sense of the word. He was a gentle man. He believed in prayers before meals, standing when a lady entered the room, and loving and supporting his family.

His love for his family knew no bounds and all of his children have fond memories of him. The lessons he instilled in his children include a sense of independence, inquisitiveness and perseverance that have served them all well in life.

Jerry loved nature and was an expert at woodcraft. He was a true polymath with wide ranging knowledge and talents. Discussions with Jerry would enlighten anyone on a wide range of topics including fishing, hunting, where to find the good mushrooms, and the characteristics and uses of different woods and metals.

Jerry was many things to many people and a quote by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow best expresses the loss felt by his family: "When a great man dies, for years the light he leaves behind him, lies on the paths of men." Every life is a journey through time. Jerry came from the grit of the Depression learning grace through the years he invested on earth. God, love, sacrifice, work, loyalty, honor and grace were the pearls that made his life a treasure. He ended his journey with a harvest of love, and a greater love for God, with whom he now resides.

Anniversary of Beatification

A year ago October 31st marks the one year anniversary of Fr. Michael McGivney being declared Blessed. The Knights established a guild some 20 years ago for the purpose of promoting Fr. McGivney's sainthood. One confirmed miracle is necessary to become Blessed. A second confirmed miracle would result in Blessed McGivney being declared a saint. You might wish to pray to Blessed McGivney to intercede in the life challenges you face. Until that hoped for miracle, we can take great solace in knowing that our founder led a profoundly holy life.



A letter from Corey Coonan, State Deputy to our council
Worthy GK and Worthy FS of Council 2770,
Thank you for being ACTIVE in growing your Council
Membership by bringing in new members so far this
year. So far this year you have brought in 2 NEW
MEMBERS. Your MEMBERSHIP GOAL for the year is
4 NEW MEMBERS.

If you can bring in another 2 NEW MEMBERS before December 31st, then you will receive a WAIVER OF

We have 2 new members this fraternal year; we need 2 additional net members (along with program and insurance requirements), to achieve STAR COUNCIL

YOUR APRIL 1st PER CAPITA--A SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS OF MONEY THAT THE COUNCIL CAN USE TO DONATE TO CHARITIES OR EVEN YOUR LOCAL PARISH YOU SUPPORT.

We are here to help you meet this goal. Please advise if you have any upcoming membership Drives that you would like assistance with. Please advise when your next Exemplification is occurring.

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO HOST AN
EXEMPLIFICATION THESE NEXT 30 DAYS--AS
EVEN IF SHY OF MEETING YOUR GOAL AT THAT
TIME, YOU WOULD HAVE AN ADDITIONAL
MONTH AND A HALF LEFT TO TRY AND REACH
THIS GOAL BEFORE DECEMBER 31ST.

Congratulations on your achievement of growing your membership so far this year. Keep up the good work!!

Now the Journey Begins!

Viva Cristo Rey!

Vivat Jesu!

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Family Compass—September Family of the Month

By Jon Field, Family Director

The Kevin and Julie Quist family has been awarded the Solomon Juneau Knights of Columbus September Family of the Month. Forged together through service to our country and service to our communities, the Quist family provides the St Pats community a great example of putting Jesus Christ's teachings into action in their daily lives.



From left to right: Kevin, Mattie, Mia (holding Bentley), and Julie

Both Kevin and Julie grew up on dairy farms and were raised Catholic. Kevin was raised in the rural Tomah area attending St. Michael's, Indian Creek, near Clifton. Julie was raised near Ithaca, attending St Mary's in Keysville. They both acquired strong work ethics and strong faith growing up in loving Christian families. After high school, Julie attended UW-La Crosse and then UW-Platteville, obtaining bachelor and master's degrees in education. She has spent her whole career in education as a high school guidance counselor, for 5 years at Loyal HS and for the last 20 years at Mauston High School. Kevin entered the military in 1985 and pursued a bachelor's degree in Business Administration at Mount Senario College in Ladysmith, WI. He served in the Wisconsin Army National Guard for 30 years before retiring in 2015 with 20 years of active service. Kevin is a proud 3rd generation Soldier, with both his father and a grandfather serving in the Army before him.

Kevin and Julie met while Julie was working up in Loyal, set up by mutual friends. They fell in love and were married on November 13, 2004. They have been blessed in their marriage by two lovely girls, Mia, 17 and Maddie, 14. Through their married life, they have placed service to the Lord and service to their country first. For long stretches of time, Kevin was deployed overseas, away from his young family. They also raised their family near Kevin's home farm in Clifton, and next door to Kevin's mother a solid half hour away from Mauston. But they chose to wake up early, getting home late, to make sure their daughters had a Catholic education at St Patrick's School.

Through their busy lives, they have been very active in the church and school. Activities such as the home and school committee and the education committee, where Kevin served for 6 years and chaired the committee for 2 years. They've helped with the fall festival and grandparent's day at school and Kevin has served as lector at mass. They've helped officiate athletic events at St. Patrick's and most recently even trained Fr. Chinnappan to be a very capable volleyball referee. Currently, Mia and her dad help teach 7th / 8th grade Religious Education.

The Quist's have given their lives to the service of others, evident by their daily actions. Military service, guiding young people to their future endeavors and aiding their church and school to the best of their ability. A hard working, focused family that the Knights are honored to call Family of the Month.

For suggestions for family of the month, please contact me. cell: 608-847-6421 / jonfield21@gmail.com

Dues to Change for 2022

By Steve Hesprich

One of the revisions we made when voting on our bylaw revisions this past April was to have the dues changed to \$25 beginning the calendar year 2022. The council will send out dues notices around mid-December. The increase in dues is to allow us to do more communication, recognition and to account for other administration. The dues have been \$20 since 2017.

We also have some optional funding we ask members to support, though these are voluntary. The first is the PKD—the "Penny per Knight per Day", so a total of \$3.65 for each dues paying member. So 365 days a year at a penny a day. These monies are directed to the Bishops to support Catholic Education.

The second optional funding is for the respect life appeal. This voluntary amount is \$3.50 per dues paying member.

So if a member chooses to support the voluntary funding adding to the dues, the total would be \$32.15. I'm happy to report that the majority of dues paying members support these voluntary causes.

There are two other categories of members who are NOT required to pay \$25 in dues. **Honorary** members, those with 25 years of continuous membership, who are 65 years or older, are exempt from general fund charges, except payment of an amount equal to the sum of Supreme Council assessments and the annual levies of your state council. This means their dues would be \$11.50 based on the current assessments by Supreme and State combined.

The second category is **Honorary Life** members. There are two ways to qualify for this dues exclusion category:

1) the member has had 25 years of continuous membership and is at least 70 years old; or

2) the member has had 50 years of continuous membership regardless of age (so someone joining at age 18 would be 68 years old to be considered an honorary life member.

In the December/January issue of the newsletter, we'll talk about why these "costs" of membership are far less than the benefits that members enjoy. It is a compelling story of the impact of the Knights on your life, and how your involvement impacts so many other lives.

Steps to Join the Knights for FREE (Until December 31, 2021):

- 1. Go to www.kofc.org/joinus
- 2. Complete application, (5 minutes) enter council # 2770, &promo code MCGIVNEY2020
- 3. Attend online virtual ceremony (30 minutes) & confirm completion

Compass of Supreme

By Supeme Advocate, John Marrella

In December 2020, the Board of Directors authorized changes to the Order of Business for Knights of Columbus council meetings. The Board also authorized the publication of The Guidelines for Council Meetings, a guidebook prepared by the Fraternal Mission Department, which provides detailed guidance for conducting council meetings, including best practices for enhancing the experience of members and improving council operations.[1] Finally, in August 2021, the Supreme Council amended Sections 124 and 125 of the Laws of the Order, formally establishing a monthly council meeting and an officers' planning meeting.

In order to harmonize the Order's By-Laws Online[2] template with these changes, we are in the process of revising sections of the By-Laws Online template for councils.

To the extent that your council wishes to amend its by-laws, it may do so by using By-Laws Online, at which time the changes set forth above will be incorporated automatically into your council by-laws.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Fraternal Mission Department at fraternalmission@kofc.org.

[1] The Guidelines for Council Meetings is available on Officers Online by clicking on "Leadership Handbooks" under the "Publications" tab.

[2] The By-Laws Online program, which is available through Officers Online, is the exclusive way for a council to create or amend its by-laws.

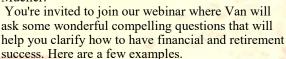
Watch Party—Fraternal Benefit Virtual Event

By Gregory Helgerson, FIC, Field Agent

On November 9th, 7pm in Reardon Hall we will participate in a state-wide virtual seminar entitled



"Financial Success Under Any Circumstance". It will be presented as a "watch party" in Reardon Hall. The speaker is a financial industry leader, Van Mueller.



- 1) How can you maximize your social security?
- 2) Do you prefer to build a legacy for your family and business or the Internal Revenue Service?
- 3) If there was a way to reduce or eliminate the income tax liability on your IRA or 401K, when would you want to know about it: Before or after they charge the tax?
- 4) Can you build a wonderful retirement income if interest rates remain at zero and the stock market offers zero return for a decade?

The Dawning of a New Knight

By Steve Hesprich, Membership Director Profile of new Knights

It is not often that two brothers join the Knights at the same time. It happened with Jim and Jon Pruess (pronounced "Price") on September 19th. They both joined in an online exemplification held at their home.



Jim and Jon were sons of a dairy family. They are 2 of 4 siblings. David is the 3rd brother along with a sister Kim.

Jim works for Seats in Reedsburg where he is involved with the manufacturing assembly of heavy duty seats. He has been at the firm for 23 years. Jon has worked for the state at Sand Ridge Treatment Center for 18 years and hopes to retire in the next year and a half.

Jim tells the story of how he met Greg Helgerson when Jim was 15 years old. They struck up a conversation in a grocery store. Greg is responsible for inviting the brothers to join the Knights, which he did at the St. Patrick Fall Festival.

As to interests, both enjoy sports. Jon likes to do projects around the house and enjoys wood working. Jim likes to take trips to northern Wisconsin to fish and camp.

The brothers lost their dad in 1998 and their mom passed away about a year ago. They spent a lot of time with their mom when she was alive, and have filled that gap now with a puppy they named Lexi.

The brothers have never married, but have a strong brotherly affection for one another that has contributed to their lives today. If you see the brothers, welcome them to the Knights.

Put Tuesday November 9, 2021 at 7pm in Reardon Hall, on your calendar.

You're Invited to a Virtual Webinar with Industry Leader Van Mueller November 9th, 2021 - 7:00 PM CST

Financial Success Under Any Circumstance

https://vanmueller.com/kofc-registration-11-9/

Calendar (can also be found in different format on our council web page (link is in the footer of this page)

DATE	TIME	EVENT	HOST	NOTES
Wednesdays	8:00 PM	Prayer Service	Parish	St. Patrick Church
Tuesday, November 2, 2021	5:30 PM	Memorial Mass for Deceased Knights St Patrick's Church	KC2770	Church
Saturday, November 6, 2021	after 5 PM Mass	Hunters' Night Out	Parish	Reardon Hall
Tuesday, November 9, 2021	7pm	Financial Success Under Any Circumstances	KC2770	Reardon Hall Watch Party
Saturday November 13, 2021	8 AM -4 PM	St. Joseph Strong Men's Conference	Madison Diocese	St. Cecilia Parish, 603 Oak St., Wisconsin Dells
Tuesday November 16, 2021	6:30 PM	Officers Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday November 16, 2021	7:00 PM	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Sunday November 21, 2021 Sunday December 19, 2021 Sunday January 16, 2022 Sunday February 20, 2022	8 AM -noon	Pancake Breakfast - Nov -benefit 8th grade class; Dec - benefit 7th grade class Jan - benefit 6th grade class Feb - benefit 5th grade class	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Sunday December 5, 2021	TBD	Diocesan Winter Meeting, Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells	State Council	for GKs, FSs, Membership & Program Directors
Tuesday December 21, 2021		NO officers meeting	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday December 21, 2021	7:00 PM	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday, January 18, 2022	6:30 PM	Officers Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Tuesday, Janua <mark>ry 18, 2022</mark>	7:00 PM	Council Meeting Reardon Hall	KC2770	Reardon Hall
Late January/Early February	TBD	Free Throw Contest	KC2770	St. Patrick School Gym

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