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Donation to St. Thomas Fundraiser

Deputy Grand Knight Max Wagner is pictured above presenting a Council donation to Father Dave Beaudry for the St. Thomas the Apostle Parish's wine and cheese fundraiser in May.

Celebrating Len Gatien!

During the May Council meeting, we thanked Len for his years of service with a plaque of appreciation!



June Birthday Wishes to Brothers:

Scott Lipski	2
Timothy May	7
Andy Schmidt	7
Donald Scott	11
William Witczak	11
Ronald Dvorachek	17
Terence Fox	17
Ronald Muench	19
Thomas Hoffman	21
Eric Koschnick	21
Andrew LeGreve	22
Ronald Zube	22
Edwin Brey	24
Kevin Jacky	25
Ryan Schram	26
Edward Yohanek	26
David Soeldner	28
Ed Dirkmann	29
William Fricke	29
Ronald Deets	30

If I missed your birthday or have the date incorrect, please let me know. GK Joe

Notes from the Grand Knight

Have you noticed that our Council newsletters have more pages on a pretty regular basis? That's because Council 710 has been so busy, it's hard to fit everything into 3 or 4 pages.

June meeting invitation— I invite and encourage you to attend our June 10 meeting, especially if you haven't been to a meeting for a while. Our meeting begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Waldo social hall. If you can come earlier, join us for the 5:00 p.m. Mass, followed by food and fellowship. I'd love to see you there!

Volunteers are needed for the following:

SFA 20th Anniversary Celebration— Council 710 will be serving refreshments at 9 events from June 15 to July 4.

Brat fry— On June 27 and 28 our brat fry will be in conjunction with the St. Clare Society's rummage sale in the Waldo social hall. New this year will be an outdoor food tent on Saturday serving from 10 am to 2 pm to supplement the indoor location. Funds raised will be donated to The Crossing of Manitowoc County.

Wisconsin Sand Sculpting Festival— The weekend of July 19 & 20 in Red Arrow Park, Council 710 will again be serving food and refreshments for this major event. (continued on page 3)



Supporting our Youth

Recently Council 710 donated \$1.000 to support 35 teens attending the Steubenville Joliet Catholic Youth Conference in June. The conference will help them encounter and deepen their relationship with Jesus through the sacraments, prayer, praise and worship, engaging talks and community. Pictured is Treasurer Mike Brunet presenting the donation to Youth Ministry Coordinator Elizabeth Gruenke.

Grand Knight Notes (con't)

The Sand Sculpting Festival has a number of changes this year that should enhance attendance and provide us with an opportunity to generate more profit for our Council!

How do I volunteer? As you might guess, we need a ton of volunteers to fill all the slots for these events. Most of you receive email messages from me which have included links for online sign-up for all of these events. As an alternative, please call me at 920-629-1601 and I can assist you with volunteering.

Mass in the Park— In place of our typical July 8 Council meeting, we will gather that evening in the Silver Creek Park Fieldhouse to celebrate Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by a meal. This is a family event, so spouses and children are welcome. To sign-up, use the online sign-up to contact me.

Please know of my sincere appreciation and gratitude for all that you do for our Council.

Fraternally, GK Joe

Campaign a Success!

The Campaign for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities raised over \$5,500 thanks to the many Brothers that volunteered and the leadership once again of Bob Becker. Hats off to Bob for his decades spearheading this huge fundraiser! Funds raised this year will be donated to Ascend Services and Manitowoc County Special Olympics. Pictured right is Mike Thomas accepting a donation at Rob's Family Market. We appreciate that Festival Foods, Piggly Wiggly, Pick 'n Save and Rob's support our effort along with St. Francis of Assisi & St. Thomas the Apostle Parishes!



Ministry Fair

Nick Nett and Greg Sandquist represented Council 710 during the recent ministry fair to promote volunteer opportunities at St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Thanks to all that volunteered that morning!

Sir Knight Greg!

Greg Sandquist (center) was Knighted into the Patriotic 4th Degree during a May 10 Exemplification at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Merrill. Congratulations Greg!



Honor Flight Donation

Assembly 1212 presented a \$1,200 donation to Diane McDonald, Executive Director of Old Glory Honor Flight. These funds were raised at the Assembly's brat fry in late April at Rob's Family Market.



Meeting Location & Time

Mass – 5:00 p.m.
Waldo Worship Site

Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
Second Tuesday
of each month

Waldo Site Social Hall

Officers 3rd Degree 2024-2025

Chaplain.....Fr. Doug LeCaptain
Grand Knight.....Joe Debilzen
Deputy Grand Knight.....Max Wagner
Chancellor.....Michael Myers
Recorder.....James Clark
Lecturer.....Gregory Kostechka
Financial Secretary.....Nicholas Nett
Treasurer.....Michael Brunet
Advocate.....Daniel Christensen
Warden.....Anthony Holzinger
Inside Guard.....Eugene Neuser
Outside Guard.....Kenneth Walters
Trustee.....Michael LeGreve
Trustee.....Leonard Gatien
Trustee.....Patrick Brandel

Officers 4th Degree 2024-2025

Faithful Friar.....Fr. Richard Klingeisen
Faithful Navigator... ..Ralph Schleis
Faithful Captain.....Damiel Christensen
Faithful Pilot..... ..Ryan Schram
Faithful Comptroller.....Michael Brunet
Faithful Scribe.....Robert Becker
Faithful Inner Sentinel....James Goonan
Faithful Outer Sentinel...Leonard Gatien
Faithful Admiral..... Charles Reis
One Year Trustee..... Michael Winrich
Two Year Trustee.....George Levande
Three Year Trustee.....Ronald Deets
General Agent.....Timothy J. Nowak
Field Agent.....James J. Patz

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