Knight Letter

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Please help support the Ladies at our next Burger Night on January 16th.

Grand Knight's Column

Brother Knights,

I hope the Christmas and New Year holidays were enjoyable for all.

We conducted the Christmas poster contest judging prior to our December meeting. There were many excellent poster entries so judging was a challenge. The winners will proceed to the next level of judging on January 26th.

There was a full menu of food and fellowship at the Knights before Christmas plus several winners at the cash drawing. The proceeds from this annual drawing will be used to fund several projects throughout the year. Many thanks to all who participated.

Some Council activities for January are as follows: **Wedneday January 8**th, Free Throw contest at Seton at 12:30pm

Thursday, January 9th, Rosary @6:00pm, Council meeting at 7:00pm

Friday January 17th, Free Throw contest at CCA begins at 12:30pm

The KC Advent Fundraiser Raffle Winners

1st \$750.00 - Lois Wunch
2nd \$300 - Adam Hager
3rd \$100 - David Meves
4th \$100 - Adam Hager
5th \$100 - Jan Green
6th \$100 - Rich Tauferner
7th \$100 - Elmer Schemenauer
8th \$60 - Steve Straus
9th \$60 - Ed Tesovnik
10th \$60 - Fr. Ken Anyanwu

Sincere thanks to Mike and Jan Wirth who chaired this program and the many individuals who purchased tickets. Our charitable giving could not happen without YOU!

Knight's Calendar

January

- 1 Happy New Year!
- 2 Officer Meeting 5:45
- 8 Free Throw contest at Seton 12:30pm
- 9 Rosary 6; KC Membership Meeting 7; Ladies Aux. 7
- 4th Degree Mass 5:30; Social 6:15; Dinner 7:00; Sheboygan KC Center
- 16 3rd Thursday Burger Night 5-7
- 17 Free Throw contest at CCA School 12:30pm
- 26 District Free Throw Championship SJB
- 26 Chili Feast 10a-3p; KC Center
- 31 Fish Fry at KC hall from 4:30 to 7

February... partial list

- 6 Officer Meeting 5:45
- 13 Rosary 6; KC Membership Meeting 7; Ladies Aux. 7

Sunday January 26th, Chili Fest at KC hall from 10:30 to 3:00pm. This is a new fund raising activity. Please contact Alvin Ice to volunteer.

Friday, January 31st, Fish Fry at KC hall from 4:30 to 7:00pm. Please contact Alvin Ice to volunteer.

Please check the Knight's Calendar for the full list of events.

Please continue to pray for Gary Reinholtz's wife, Diane, for a speedy and full recovery from her injuries.

My thanks to all who assist in the many projects our council completes during the year. It takes many members to manage and complete the work at hand.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming activities.

In Christ,

Grand Knight Alvin Ice





Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for January

Vatican City, 1 January 2025 (VIS) – The Holy Father's prayer intention for January – For the right to an education. "Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected."

Chaplain's Column

Brother Knights and Families,

I trust that all council members and their families had a Blessed Christmas time. I pray that all will have a Blessed New Year.

Did you make a New Year's resolution? Are you still keeping it? Maybe you need to make a more realistic one! The month of January is dedicated to the Pro-Life movement because the Roe vs. Wade decision was made during this month. The United States is the only Country that observes January 1st as a Holy Day. For many years, the Pope has declared, January 1st, to be a World Day of Peace. He asks all people to use this day as a special time to reflect on how one's life can serve the cause of peace. We may not have the world's obstacles to peace, but impatience, misunderstanding, untruthfulness, anger and other human weaknesses do not bring about peace in our family, church, school, place of work, neighborhood, and any other place people gather.

God's Blessings to you, your families and the Council.

Fr. Dick

KC Council 722 1st Annual Chili Fest Sunday, January 26 10AM to 3PM

Knights of Columbus Center 833 Center Avenue Sheboygan, WI

Our offerings for the day include \$6 Bowl of Chill \$5 Frito Chill Pie \$4 Chill Dog \$3 Hot Dog

> \$12 per Quart of Chili *Baked Goods available* *Raffles*

Fourth Degree News From Your Faithful Navigator

Worthy Sir Knights and Ladies, as I sit here considering what is important about this coming year a few things come to mind. First is what can we do to help bring our fellow Catholics back to attending Saturday/Sunday Church services. Not an easy question to answer, but simply asking our fellow parishioners to join us attending church service can be a start. As Knights of Columbus members part of our responsibilities is to help to Evangelize and promote our Catholic Faith. So, take a few minutes and reach out to someone you know and ask them what you can do to help them to attend. Second is, what are you doing to support your fellow Brother Knights? At a recent District Deputy meeting in early December 2024 some data was presented that opened my eyes and mind to the need to recruit new members. An example for me was Council 722 of Sheboygan, my Council. At the time of publication of this data Council 722 had 192 members of which only 17 are between the ages of 18-47, 23 are between 48-57, 46 between 58-67, 39 between 68-77, 12 between 78-87, and 55 are over 88. It's quite obvious that we need to reach out to fellow Catholic men and ask them to become a Knight and help support our Catholic way of life. Sheboygan Council 722 is not unique with this aging membership trend as I looked at 1789 (Plymouth) and 11129 (Sheboygan Falls) they reflect a similar situation. According to research presented to us that weekend there are 7 million Catholic men who have not been asked to join the Knights, but if asked they would. So meet and great where you can and simply ask if you would like to become a Knights of Columbus Brother. You may get told no, but you have planted the seed and try again some time later and ask again. Finally, I wish everyone of you a *Happy and Prosperous New* Year!

In God's hands we pray, AMEN Faithful Navigator, Larry Lenhardt

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Prayers Requested

Please pray for our fellow Brothers or members of their families who have taken ill or are in distress in some way.

Chris Bramm, Christy Carpenter, Charlene and Francis D. Goettl, Sr., Ken Johnson, Randy & Julie Lorfeld, Rhonda Fouts, Frank and Linda Keglovits, Cindy Keglovits Trieu, Larry Lenhardt, Jane Lydolph,

Sandra Miller, William Peloquin, Don Pitzen, Lynn Schnell, Anchor of Hope Health Center, Children of the Knights and special intentions

If you know of a Brother Knight or his family member who needs our prayers or a visit, contact our Grand Knight Alvin Ice so he can inform the members of our Council. Contact: 405-696-6916 or webmastersheboygankofc.com

December
Knight of the Month

SK Fr. Ken Anyanwu

December
Family of the Month

Vince and Mary Karls

In Memoriam

Years of Service

Wayne Orsted	58	David Eirich	19
Richard Gruenke	49	Donald Grimm	19
Dale Neil	34	Jed Hoffman	19
Charles Simon	25	Bruce Urban	18
Todd Jarvis	24	George Souik	18
James TenPas	24	Bryan Hendricks	17
Phillip Zastrow	24	James Tarnowski	13
Justin Virant	24	Jeremiah Rauwerdink	11
Louis Erlicher	23	Randal Lorfeld	4
John Jacobchick	23		
James Opgenorth	23		
Roger Lahm	22		

Happy Birthbay!

Wishing you a day that is as special in every way as you are!

Adalbert Miller Nathaniel Nygaard	01-01-1938 01-07-1994
James Spender	01-09-1963
John Zalewski	01-13-1958
Anton Shircel	01-14-1984
Richard Edman	01-17-1935
John Nielsen	01-17-1936
Kenneth Horkan	01-18-1965
Thomas Jetzer	01-18-1965
Peter Herman	01-20-1942
Richard Meyer	01-22-1942

Wisconsin State Council Knights of Columbus Charity Raffle

1st – 2025 Ford Ranger or \$50,000.00 2nd – 2025 Harley Davidson or \$25,000.00 3rd – 100th \$500.00

The Wisconsin State Council of the Knights of Columbus through its Charity Fund will help alleviate sorrow, ease financial burdens, and restore hope to families and victims of accidents and illness. Council 722

State Charity Raffle Chairman: Mike Kaffine 920-946-4893 Michael.Kaffine@kohler.com



Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle. Be our
protection against the
wickedness and snares of the
devil; May God rebuke him, we
humbly pray; And do thou, O
Prince of the Heavenly Host, by
the power of God, thrust into hell
Satan and all evil spirits who
wander through the world for the
ruin of souls. Amen

Campus Corner - CCA

This was a very busy month here at Christ Child Academy! Advent preparations included grades 3-7 celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation after our Wednesday masses. We also got the final numbers for our annual food drive. This year our CCA families donated 1500 items for the Sheboygan South Catholic Parishes Food Pantry! The winning class with the most items donated was Mrs. Lynch's Preschool Class.

All grades also participated in a Christmas themed door decorating contest this year. The 8th grade class took best in show honors with their adorable rendering of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." Which featured each student and Mrs. Scharenbroch as characters of the beloved tale.

The Christ Child Academy Christmas Band Concert was held Tuesday, December 3rd at 6:00 PM in the Staskunas Activity Center/Gym. Many friends and family were treated to the sounds of the season as the students shared their holiday spirit through their musical talent. The performance was directed by Mr. Ryan Kautzer.

Christ Child Academy's Christmas Choral Concert was held on Tuesday, December 10th, at 6:00 PM. We all enjoyed the evening as the students shared their Christmas joy in a diverse selection of traditional Christmas songs. The performance was directed by Mr. Ryan Kautzer, our music instructor and accompanied by Mrs. Judy Wilsing on piano. The entire school and all present ended the concert by standing and singing together on the final song. It was a wonderful way to send us on our way!

On December 13th, the Middle School students spent the morning at Sheboygan Progressive Health Services. The students sang Christmas carols and distributed handmade ornaments to the residents. We also enjoyed a lively sing-along with the residents this year, with Mr. Kautzer accompanying on the piano and accordion. The students enjoyed the opportunity to bring the spirit of Christmas to the elderly of our community.

Students in grades 5-8 have been able to create and collaborate on gingerbread structures for the annual Waelderhaus Festival in Kohler. We have three creations representing Christ Child Academy this year. The Waelderhaus - Gingerbread Festival runs through December 30th. It is free to attend, and please stop in and vote for our CCA students' creations.

The students and staff enjoyed an annual spaghetti lunch on Friday, December 20th. The meal was prepared by Erin Hutton, our school cook, with parent volunteers serving the

lunch. We also enjoyed the sounds of Christmas music as we ate together as a school family. It was a special way to celebrate the Christmas season.

Recently, the students decorated placemats for the patients at St. Nicholas Hospital to use on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. This is the 11th year that CCA has decorated the placements to bring some Christmas cheer to the patients.

Thank you to all those who donated fleece for our fleece blanket service project. Our students were able to complete 35 blankets to donate to five different outreach locations in Sheboygan. This is another activity that allows our students to see that they can make a difference in our community.

Merry Christmas to all and a Happy 2025! CCA resumes classes on January 2.

Respectfully Submitted, Melissa Raff Middle School Math/ Science Christ Child Academy



Christmas Poster Contest Winners – 2024

1st Grade

1st Place Lillianna Espinoza-Davis, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

2nd Place Isaiah Murray, Christ Child Academy
3rd Place Isaac Schutte, Christ Child Academy

2nd Grade

1st Place Anne Shircel, Christ Child Academy
2nd Place Elania Eaton, Christ Child Academy
3rd Place Emma Santkuyl, Christ Child Academy

3rd Grade

1st PlaceAubrey Thill, Christ Child Academy2nd PlaceStella Hemans, Christ Child Academy3rd PlaceElliot Patton, Christ Child Academy

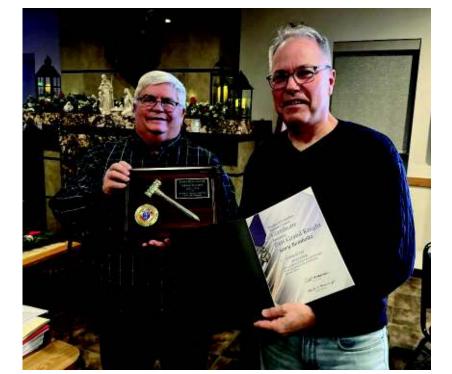
4th Grade

1st PlaceVayda Vreeke, Christ Child Academy2nd PlaceJoseph Spaeth, Christ Child Academy3rd PlaceEvelyn Gerardi, Christ Child Academy



Thanks to everyone who donated to the KC Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Charity "Baby Care Ministry".

The ministry helps low income and refugee mothers with their babies from 0-12 months. Once a month they can get diapers and other baby needs from the ministry. Jean Yurk and Karen Jeske are pictured presenting four boxes of baby items along with a \$500 check to Baby Care volunteer Sandy Gibson.



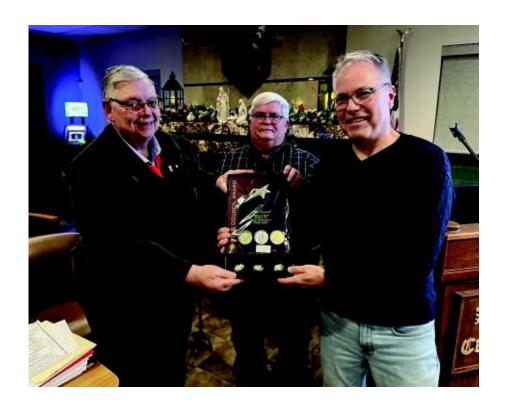
Current Grand Knight Alvin Ice presents the Service plaque and certificate to Past Grand Knight Gary Reinholtz.



The Knights of Columbus, Council 722 chose SK Bob Jeske as the Knght of the Month for December. Bob served as our financial secretary for many years and is also president of the KC Institute.



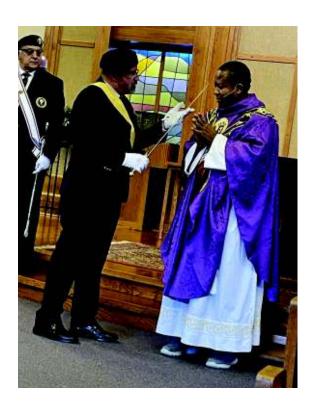
The Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of the Rosary, Council 722 chose Vince and Mary Karls as the family of the month for December. Vince serves as financial secretary for our council as well as a member of our cleaning crew and Mary serves with the ladies auxiliary.



The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, Assembly 1204 annually purchases a Chalice and has the names of our deceased Sir Knights engraved on it as a memorial. The Chalice and Paten is donated to a priest in need. In the photo, Chalice Program chair SK Gary Reinholtz presents the latest chalice to visiting priest Fr. Amadi who will deliver the chalice to a priest in Nigeria early next year.



The Northern Lights of Sheboygan North High School entertained us again this year at our annual Knights Before Christmas event held on December 20th.



New Fourth Degree Knight

Fr. Ken Anyanwu is made a Fourth Degree Sir Knight after Mass in a ceremony at Immaculate Conception Parish in Sheboygan during December. Past District Marshal James TenPas performed the Knighting ceremony.



Fr. Ken Anyanwu receives his Fourth Degree certificate after being knighted.



Members of the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Assembly 1204 Honor Guard stand with Sir Knight Fr. Ken Anyanwu after his induction into full Knighthood.

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1st Prize \$50,000!





^{2nd Prize} \$25,000!

or 2025 Harley Davidson Motorcycle

An Amazing 98 More Cash Prizes!

3rd through 100th - \$500 each

Tickets \$5.00 each. 100% of profits go to charities in Wisconsin!

Drawing held Saturday, May 17th, 2025 at 7:15 PM at KI Convention Center, Green Bay State Raffle License # R0009675-A-44804

Winners will be posted on the Wisconsin Knights of Columbus website within 48 hours.

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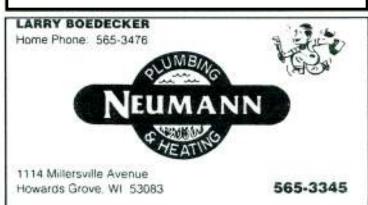
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SK BOB AND KAREN JESKE SK DON AND MARGE GRIMM





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THAT FIRST MOMENT OF INTRODUCTION ... BEFORE THE SERPENT HAD A CHANCE TO SPEAK