

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EMER-QUINN COUNCIL 3249

May 2024

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Meeting Date: Our May meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 22, 2024** at St. Joseph Church basement at 6:30 p.m.

Old/New Business Items at the Meeting: Old Business: 1) Raffe report 2) State Convention report New Business: 1) Family/Installation picnic 2) Eucharistic Rally 3) Sojourner House 4) 75th Anniversary 5) Election of 24-25 officers 6) Fraternal Benefit at 7 p.m.

Memorial Mass: Mass intention for deceased members of the Emer-Quinn council will be held June 2 at the 8:30 Mass at St Rose of Lima Church. Pray for the souls of our deceased members.

Charity Raffle Report: The 2024 charity raffle is over. The council sold 535 tickets for a total of \$2675.00. Last year the council sold 555 tickets. With a \$2.00 return for each ticket sold our local charity fund increased by over \$1000. This past year the council donated from this fund \$500 each to Don Bohl and Barry Schuebel for their house fire. Area winners were Bob Briski from Thorp \$500 and Jackie Quimet from Boyd \$500. The State Council awarded 66 individual charity grants to Wisconsin residents totaling over \$100K. These grants came from the \$3 remaining from the \$5 ticket sold.

State Convention News: Council in Wisconsin donated over \$5.5 million dollars and over 900,000 volunteer hours, reflecting a significant growth of over 10% from our 2022 numbers. In 2023, councils in Wisconsin donated over 8400 volunteer hours and over \$176,000 to the Special Olympics. We also donated over 116,000 pounds of food and over \$103,000 to the Food for Families program. Wisconsin ranks #3 out of seventy-two jurisdictions in the Order for ASAP donations, donating over \$368,000 to Pregnancy Support Centers, and Wisconsin also ranked #5 for RSVP donations, donating over \$189,000 to seminarians. Councils in Wisconsin placed seven new ultrasound machines into Pregnancy Centers. These numbers are a testament to our collective commitment to our communities. Because of each council's commitment to charity the Wisconsin State Council earned the esteemed Supreme Circle of Honor recognition.

Notice of Members' Illness: Please contact Russ Pogodzinski (715-667-3485) to report a member's illness or hospitalization. We ask this so we can send our Brother Knight a card conveying our best wishes and prayers.

Attendance Drawing: The April attendance drawing was won by Doug Straszowski.

Family of the Month: Jamie & Hannah Seichter
Knight of the Month: Michael Folczyk

Grand Knight
Robert Irwin