



## Council #4620 Receive Top Service Awards

**Pictured:** District 4 Deputy Grand Knight Mike Havens (left) presents Grand Knight Larry Biegel the 2016-17 Columbian Award at a recent council meeting.

Knights of Columbus Cardinal Stritch Council #4620 received the Columbian Award on November 12, 2017. This the first year that Council 4620 has received this very prestigious award.

Mike Havens, the Knights of Columbus District Deputy Grand Knight for Indiana District 4, presented Larry Biegel, the Grand Knight of Council #4620, with the Columbian Award

for 2016-2017 and the Indiana State Vocations -300% Club Membership Award as part of the council's November meeting.

The Columbian Award is a yearly award presented to Knights of Columbus councils as a testimonial of the efficiency, industry and excellent activity program of the council.

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**Pictured:** Grand Knight Larry Biegel accepts the State's 2017 Vocations - 300 Club Award from District 4 Deputy Grand Knight Mike Havens (left).

To receive the Order's Columbian Award, a Council must annually conduct and report at least four major programs in each of the following:

### 1. Church Activities

*(vocations, parish roundtable, parish services, Keep Christ in Christmas, etc.)*

Participating in the RSVP program and meeting minimum participation requirements will fulfill all four activity requirements in this category.

### 2. Community Activities

*(feed the hungry, health services, ecology, poverty, helping the aged, etc.)*

Participation with Habitat for Humanity or Global Wheelchair Mission and meeting the minimum requirements will fulfill all four activity requirements in this category.

### 3. Council Activities

*(public relations, fraternal recognition, blood donors, athletics, socials, etc.)*

Participating with Special Olympics and meeting minimum participation requirements will fulfill all four activity requirements in this category.

### 4. Culture of Life Activities

*(Ultrasound initiative, March for Life, Pregnancy Care Center, baby showers, baby bottle campaign, etc.)*

Participating in a local, regional or national March for Life or with the Ultrasound Initiative and meeting the minimum requirements will fulfill all four activity requirements in this category.

### 5. Youth Activities

*(scholarships, Catholic Scouting, etc.)*

Participation in the Coats for Kids program or sponsoring a Columbian Squires Circle and meeting minimum requirements will fulfill all four activity requirements in this category.

## 2018-19 OFFICERS

### GRAND KNIGHT

David Stephenson

### DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT

John Petrovic

### CHANCELLOR

Joe Martinez

### RECORDER

Charles VanLueven  
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### TREASURER

Nic Raloff

### ADVOCATE

Tom Cashmer

### WARDEN

Rusty Kruger

### INSIDE GUARD

Mark Tobecksen

### OUTSIDE GUARD

Bryan Baker

### TRUSTEE (3 year)

Larry Biegel

### TRUSTEE (2 year)

Jim Landers

### TRUSTEE (1 year)

John Kiger

## APPOINTED OFFICERS

### FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Dan Rettig

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**Pictured:** (Back row) 4620 Knights Branden Lorek, NWI Habitat For Humanity co-chair John Bazelewski, Lowell Killion, Nic Raloff, Larry Biegel. (Front row) Joe Tudor, Mike Wysocki, Bishop Don Hying, St. Mary's pastor Fr. Pat Kalich and Dan Rettig.

## Knights Help Out at NWI Habitat's Bishop's Build

The Knights of Cardinal Stritch Council played a huge part in a Habitat For Humanity Bishop Hying's Wall Build at Holy Angels Cathedral in Gary last August.

150 volunteers from St Marys came out for the Wall Build Event. The nine Knights of Columbus were mainly given lead roles.

NWI Habitat for Humanity did the material set up and overall supervision.

## In Memorium

Tempus Fugit, Memento Mori.

In 1958, a group of Catholic gentlemen of St. Mary's Church in Crown Point help found the Cardinal Stritch Council 4620. In 2017, Council 4620 bid farewell to two of those men.

Art Loomis, Jr. was the living embodiment of what a Knight of Columbus should be and Bud Jacobs was a the kind of member that everyone loved being around.

Art passed away Friday, September 22nd due to complications from congestive heart failure. He was 96. Bud Jacobs, passed away on October 8th at 92.

Art was passionately involved with the Knights of Columbus Cardinal Stritch Council #4620 and Abraham Lincoln Assembly #235. Not only was he a founding member of Council 4620, but he was an active order member, holding the office of State Membership chairman and delegate for the State of Indiana council. Art also served as a working member of the Supreme Council in his lifetime.



Art Loomis, Jr.



Bud Jacobs

He proudly served our country in WWII as member of the U.S. Navy. Art had the honor of being selected by the VA for two Freedom Flights.

Art leaves behind seven children. He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Betty; his parents, brothers and a sister.

Another of our brothers and Council co-founders was sent home to the glory of God.

Bud Jacobs was more than just an active member. He held many of the offices of the Council 4620, including Grand Knight.

Bud was a WWII veteran of U.S. Army Air Corps and was a member of American Legion Post No #20.

Surviving Bud are his wife Nancy Jo (nee McNeice); sons Robert, Richard, and Donald, his grandchildren and great grandchildren as well as his many nieces and nephews, including our Grand Knight, Larry Biegel.

We join the many that loved these men as we pray for Art's and Bud's families.

## Pierogi Sale Fundraiser

# Knights' Find New Fundraiser a Big Hit

In 2017, The Cardinal Stritch Council 4620 began selling frozen pierogi as a new way to raise money. Not knowing where it would lead, the council found a very strong and successful council fundraiser.

The sale was designed to offer pre-sale orders of meatless pierogi, giving Crown Point parishioners an alternative for to lenten dinners.

The pierogi would be picked up at Alexandra's Home Made Pierogi in Chicago and be distributed out of a truck parked in a parking lot near the square.

The response from both St. Mary's and St. Matthais parishes was overwhelming. The amount collected equalled the Fish Fry and allowed the council to give more to local charities.

It was then decided to hold two sales a year, one during lent and one in November, giving the public a chance to purchase pierogi for the holidays.



**K**nights of Columbus of Cardinal Stritch Council #4620 and the new St. Matthais Council #16945 took to the streets for their annual Tootsie Roll Drive Fundraiser.

Knights were stationed at grocery markets and street corners throughout Crown Point giving out Tootsie Roll candies in return for donations of spare change to help people with intellectual disabilities like the Special Olympics of Indiana and the Share Foundation of Indiana.



**Pictured:** Council #4620 Grand Knight Larry Biegel presents Teresa Parker from the Special Olympics of Indiana a check with their share from last year's Tootsie Roll Drive.

## 2018 Fish Fry and Lenten Supper

# Annual Fundraiser Returns to St. Mary's

**T**his year's Annual Fish Fry was back in familiar surroundings after a very successful event at St. Matthais Church in 2017.

This year saw the Knights of Columbus of the Cardinal Stritch Council #4620 return to St. Mary's Hammes Hall with their annual fundraiser in February.

The Knights from the Msgr. Tim-

othy F. Doody Council #9696 in Lowell cooked up more than 500 pounds of Alaskan Pollack and all the trimmings to feed everyone in town. The community blessed us with a great response.

"We learned our lesson with the huge turnout in 2016. Our main goal this time was to get everyone served in seated in a relaxed but timely manner,"

said Grand Knight Larry Biegel. "The lines were so long that some people went back home. With two serving lines, everyone seemed to have a good time eating and visiting with family and friends. That's the reason we do this."

The dessert table was run by our Ladies and members of the St. Mary's Alter and Rosary Society.

## Local Champion Takes National

Matthew Zdanowicz, of Crown Point, won the 13-year-old Boys' trophy at the 2017 State Finals Free Throw Championship.

Matthew scored 14/15 at in the Council round held at the On The Square Sports Academy. He shot a 23/25 to win the Districts in St. John. He went on to shoot a perfect 25/25 at the Regional held



**Pictured:** State Treasurer Craig Hanusin (left), Matthew Zdanowicz, and 4th Degree Knight Ron Benson (PGK).

at Portage High School to advance to the State Finals in Greenwood, IN. Zdanowicz, a 7th grader at St. Mary's School, went on to compete against the winners

from the other five Region-als in the state. He finished shooting 23/25 to take the trophy.

Matthew, Maria Wysocki (9 year-old Girls) and Nick Wool (10 year-old Boys) won both the Council 4620 and the District competitions. Wysocki and Wool did not win their age classes in Portage.

The other 2017 Council 4620 competition winners were Gabriella Thorn (10 year-old Girls) and her older brother, Drew (11 year-old Boys). However both were eliminated at the District Competition.

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This year, as every year, Council #4620 works with Habitat for Humanity, has hosted many programs for the youth of the community, and participates in the annual "Tootsie Roll Drive," a campaign for people with intellectual disabilities.

"This is a great moment for our council!" said Larry Biegel. "I can say in all honesty, we weren't trying for this award. We try

every year to get in as many of the activities time and manpower will allow us to do. This past year we were blessed with both."

The Vocation-300% Club Award is a membership award granted by the Order to agents, recruiters, councils, districts and states based on their ability to reach or surpass their quotas. Council #4620's membership has increased by 10 new members in the past seven years. Recruiting Catholic

men in the 30-45 year-old age range has been the goal to keep the council young and able to continue another 60 years.

The Cardinal Stritch Council #4620 has been recognized as a One Star Council and a Double Star Council. They have earned multiple service and membership awards and citations during their 60 years as Crown Point's Knights of Columbus.

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