



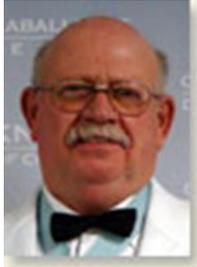
Cowboy Bulletin



Wyoming Knights of Columbus

2015 -- YEAR OF THE FAMILY

May 2015



**C. "Joe" Welte
State Deputy**

Dear Sirs and Brother Knights.

May is upon us and the convention is over.

Now we move onto the business of membership. I thank all of the Councils that have signed up new members during the last months of my being State Deputy. We still have two months left to get our membership back to where it was. Not too long ago we had 2800 members on the rolls. I hope we can get back to that kind of membership. If our membership grows to over 3000 members, we will be allowed one more delegate to attend the Supreme Convention.

I am very grateful that you have let me serve you as your State Deputy. I have a few councils to visit before I turn this over to our new State Deputy. I look forward to being with you.

During the voting process, I was remembering when I was voted in as Warden. That seems such a long time ago. It has been a long but great trip. Sally and I have been many places and have met many people. My class has many good people in it and I will miss you all.

I would also like to congratulate the councils that won awards for programs. The past State Deputies were really put to work at this convention, arriving at a selection. If your council didn't win this year, don't stop trying. These awards are very important to the State Council and demonstrate to Supreme that we are active Knights.

I hope that our Family of The Year can do as well as last's year's selection. One of the greatest times I have had in my life was to escort the James and Stephanie Bell family onto the platform at the Supreme Convention. Their entire family, including his son and pregnant daughter, were there for the presentation.

In conversations with past State Deputies, I learned that they experienced the same emotions that I am going through now. Some comments shared included: "You're glad it's over but you know you have met so many great people." "You will miss them very much." "You get to meet people from all over the United States and other countries." "The best people you meet are brother Knights." "The best people are the Knights from your own State."

Wyoming has some of the best people in the world. I have always been welcomed whenever arriving at a council meeting or function. Thank you for being the best brother Knights in the world.

Vivat Jesus!

C. Joe Welte, Wyoming State Deputy



**2015 Wyoming State Convention becomes history.
Thanks Gillette Council for your hospitality!
Time to fly back to my home council until next year!**

A Time for Business

A time for Fraternalism

Knights of Columbus and Delegates spent a busy three days in Gillette recently working the business of the State Convention. Even the nice weather kept us cool and even provided us with a little rain for our return home.

Thanks to great planning and volunteer hours on the part of so many Knights and their families, the Convention was a pleasurable experience. The location of the events provided a welcomed exercise from the sit-down parts of the session. What beautiful facilities you have in Gillette.

The Saturday night’s entertainment was a new twist. The mouse race provided a new and exciting twist, kept the KofC hall rocking!

Congratulations go to all who planned the daily meals. Anyone taking advantage of all meals provide certain found a few extra numbers on the bathroom scale when they returned home. A description of the meals overheard at the feasts was YUM!

Gillette Knights put on a first class convention. If there were any glitches, they certainly didn’t surface.

During this Convention all standing State Officers were elected to their next level of service in the State Council. Starting July 1, 2015 your new state officers will include:

- John Benedik – State Deputy
- John Venjohn – State Secretary
- John Kaiser – State Treasurer
- Buddy Cater – State Advocate.
- Mike Dahl – State Warden.
- C. Joe Welte – Immediate P.S.D



Awards Presented at the Luncheon

Council Activities – Council 2576, Thermopolis

Community Activities – Council 10027, Ft. Bridger

Church Activities – Council 3237, Riverton

Family Activities – Council 4031. Cody

Culture of Life Activities – Council 801, Cheyenne.

Youth Activities – Council 2578, Thermopolis

Tootsie Roll Sales Award (for 2014) – Council 3477, Gillette.

**FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD
John and Maggie Cosner-- Gillette, WY**



Pictured left to right: IPSD Don Scott, Maggie Cosner, John Cosner, and C. Joe Welte, Wyoming State Deputy

KNIGHT OF THE YEAR

**Jim Story
Council 801, Cheyenne**



John Kaiser, Grand Knight 801, in accepting the award for Jim said “Jim is always there, whatever the activity of the council or community.”

All state awards are forwarded for consideration by Supreme Council.

Membership Recruiting Package

Listed below are materials in the Membership Recruiting Package that Supreme Representative Ken Stockwell suggests would be an excellent recruiting tool for Councils. Materials may be ordered from the Supreme supply department.

Order Nbr.	Description
2015	Life and Legacy
1297	Did You Know on Form 1 w
4547	What This Org. Stands For
2041	Flip Chart
500027	Experience of a Lifetime (DVD)
2773	Benefit Flyer
4495	Overview Booklet
4497	Faith Base Recruit
100	Membership Document
1877	How to Pray the Rosary
4794	K of C Insurance
10099	24 Hours
10100	Why You Should
2781	Fraternal Benefits
1194	K of C in Service to One in Service to All

Gun A Week Raffle

Listed below are the last winners in the 2014 “Gun-A-Week raffle sponsored by council #9917. The proceeds of this raffle are presented annually to the St. Joseph’s Society for Retired Priests.



Week 48: Gary Venjohn, Mesa, AZ
Remington SPS 7mm Mag.

Week 49: Chris Carter, Seattle, WA
Savage Axis Stainless .270

Week 50: Thomas B. Coy, Alpine, WY
Benelli Super Nova 12 ga.

Week 42: Thomas B. Coy, Alpine WY
Benelli Nova 20 ga.

Week 51: Stephen Kelleher, Washington Terrace , UT
Browning BPS 20 ga.

Week 52: Lavern Smith, Gillette, WY
Henry Golden Boy. 22

Thus ends the 2014 raffle drawing.

5th Annual Gun-a-Week Raffle

The 5th annual gun-a-week raffle (the most recent) is well underway. Don’t miss out. Get your ticket and 52 chances to win a new gun.

Over the past four years, these raffles have raised over \$200,000 for Wyoming’s retired Priests.

Ticket purchase information is available on the council’s website at:

www.kofc9917.org. Good Luck!

Steve Grapes, Council 9917



Loree Scott, wife of IPSDF Don Scott, presents to Joe Landeros of Torrington, the winner of the Baby Quilt raffle.

The raffle raised \$900 for the Ultra Sound Initiative in Gillette.

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