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In April of 1955, Past State Deputy and Supreme Director, Dr. C. W. Henny of Council 1637, Portage, had the foresight to recognize the need to honor distinguished Knights in the service of Columbianism in the State of Wisconsin. He generously donated 100 medals which were awarded annually and presented at the State Convention.

The State Officers, who were in office in 1955, decided that in recognition of the commendable service and energetic efforts rendered by Dr. Henny on behalf of Columbianism, that this Medallion Award should be designated as the "Dr. C. W. Henny Medallion" for Distinguished Service in Columbianism.

The first year, which was the 1955-1956 fraternal year, fifteen awards were made. Thereafter only five awards were made annually, with the exception of the 1960-1961 fraternal year when a tie in the Milwaukee Archdiocese resulted in six of the Medallion Awards being presented. By resolution adopted at the State Convention, there were six Medallion Awards presented for the 1961-1962 fraternal year - one from each diocese and one at large, with this practice being continued in the subsequent years.

State Deputy George Kaczmarek, 1983-1985, recognizing the importance of continuing the tradition of this prestigious award, ordered a new supply of medals struck. The new medallions were modified slightly to delete the reference to Dr. Henny and now include a ribbon which enables the recipient to wear the medallion at various Knights of Columbus functions. A lapel pin was also designed and is included as part of the Award. The tradition and qualifications for earning this Award remains the same.

The rules as established by the Medallion Award Committee in 1957 remain essentially the same, with the exception of various revisions to the form and other financial remuneration.

1. The Grand Knight should appoint a nominating committee of three members, with one to serve as chairman.
2. The nomination form should be printed for the committee. The form should be read and discussed at all meetings of the nominating committee, so that the members thereof will be acquainted with the questions to be answered in submitting the name of the Council's nominee.
3. The nominating committee should carefully review the council's membership to determine which members have rendered outstanding exemplary and distinguished service to the Order.
4. When the nominating committee members have agreed upon the person to be nominated, the nomination form should be completed, signed by the members of the nominating committee and approved by the Grand Knight, Council Chaplain and the Financial Secretary.
5. All nominations must be mailed so as to reach the Chairman of the Medallion Award Committee on or before the deadline established by that Committee, in order to be eligible for consideration in the selection of the winners.
6. The winners will be notified of their selection by the State Deputy who will invite them to attend the State Convention, the Awards Night, where the Medallions and Certificates will be presented and the cocktail party preceding the banquet. At the Banquet they will be seated at the head table with other distinguished guests. They will also be awarded the standard mileage and per diem if applicable.
7. In addition to the Award of the Medallion, the practice of presenting an appropriate certificate to each winner, signed by the State Deputy and State Secretary, such as was presented in the first year should be continued.

The committee also decided that a subordinate council could nominate any Brother Knight, except a present or Past State Officer, or a Member of the Clergy. Present and Past State Officers are ineligible because they are deemed to have already received sufficient recognition for their valuable contributions to Columbianism and Members of the Clergy are excluded because this particular award is intended only for lay members of the Order.

PREVIOUS MEDALLION WINNERS

	1956			1965	
Green Bay	Henry J McGowan	Marinette	Green Bay	Fred Schreiber	Menasha
Green Bay	Edmund J Crowe	Antigo	La Crosse	Thomas E Trainor	Wausau
Green Bay	Russell D Wilkinson	New London	Madison	Eugene J Hamele	Portage
Green Bay	Joseph C McCarthy	Kaukauna	Milwaukee	John H Friar	Milwaukee
Green Bay	William G Arle	Sturgeon Bay	Superior	Clyde F Sullivan	Lake Nebagamog
La Crosse	H A Prashak	Marshfield	At Large	William E Weeks	Oconomowoc
La Crosse	John H Ensich	Mauston		1966	
La Crosse	Carl P Kuklinski	Stevens Point	Green Bay	F Leonard Cline	New London
Madison	Henry Noring	Baraboo	La Crosse	Alois C Brezinski	Stevens Point
Milwaukee	William G Herbst	Milwaukee	Madison	Jerome P Tobin	Columbus
Milwaukee	Francis J Conaty	Whitewater	Milwaukee	Joseph J Schowalter	Port Washington
Milwaukee	William S Merrill	Oconomowoc	Superior	George J Brost	Medford
Milwaukee	Clarence Potthoff	Racine	At Large	John C Burke	Waupun
Superior	George Hennessey	Hudson		1967	
Superior	Dr. James W McGill	Superior	Green Bay	Charles P Beschta	Clintonville
	1957		La Crosse	Hon Leonard F Roraff	La Crosse
Green Bay	John Van De Loo	Kaukauna	Madison	George L Devine	Portage
La Crosse	Paul L Marcou	La Crosse	Milwaukee	Arthur J Murphy	Sheboygan
Madison	Frank P Connor	Highland	Superior	James F Bannon	Hudson
Milwaukee	C V Linder	Fond du Lac	At Large	Clarence M Fitzgerald	Fond du Lac
Superior	Henry A Roberts	Ladysmith		1968	
	1958		Green Bay	Steve Siudzinski	Denmark
Green Bay	John P Tanty	Clintonville	La Crosse	Cyril Nothem	Durand
La Crosse	George J Schreier	Wausau	Madison	John R Gray	Baraboo
Madison	Herbert Slowey	Portage	Milwaukee	John J Clark	Waukesha
Milwaukee	Lyman J Jeffords	Fort Atkinson	Superior	Edward Farrell	Superior
Superior	Charles A MacDonald	Rhineland	At Large	John M Pink	Lancaster
	1959			1969	
Green Bay	Max Johnson	Green Bay	Green Bay	Herbert C Liebmann	Green Bay
La Crosse	Frank Kubisiak	Wisconsin Rapids	La Crosse	George J Malz	Thorp
Madison	Anton L Nussbaum	Madison	Madison	Harold T Jessup	Portage
Milwaukee	Hon Wm C O'Connell	Beaver Dam	Milwaukee	Henry A Arnfield	West Bend
Superior	Albert J O'Melia	Rhineland	Superior	B J Regis	Rhineland
At Large			At Large	Gabriel J DiCello	Kenosha
	1960			1970	
Green Bay	Francis Scheurell	Manitowoc	Green Bay	William A Murphy	Oshkosh
La Crosse	Thomas H Murphy	Eau Claire	La Crosse	William D Stout	Wisconsin Rapids
Madison	W A Kivlahan	Cuba City	Madison	Harry Schiferl	Jefferson
Milwaukee	Floyd C Barber	Kenosha	Milwaukee	William J Niederkorn	Port Washington
Superior	Edgar Allen McQuarry	Park Falls	Superior	Joseph Peris Duffy	Superior
At Large			At Large	Sievert Berth	Oconto
	1961			1971	
Green Bay	Edgar H Berners	Green Bay	Green Bay	Henry E Majeski MD	Luxemburg
La Crosse	J A Rayburn	Durand	La Crosse	Maurice A Couture	Eau Claire
Madison	Jerome Kivlin	Wisconsin Dells	Madison	Gerald F Brunner	Cross Plains
Milwaukee	Thomas R King	Oconomowoc	Milwaukee	Arch R Meston	Milwaukee
Superior	Arthur M Neubauer	Merrill	Superior	Dr R P Kirsh	Rhineland
At Large	Nicholas E Dohms	Sheboygan	At Large	Leo LaGesse	Superior
	1962			1972	
Green Bay	Ralph J Yentz	Antigo	Green Bay	Louis G Rockendorf	Sturgeon Bay
La Crosse	Joseph L Radtke	Marshfield	La Crosse	Oscar J Tralmer	Tomah
Madison	Frank Byrne	Madison	Madison	Ray Schiessl	Berlin
Milwaukee	Alfred J Gocker	Beaver Dam	Milwaukee	Jack C Oliva	Milwaukee
Superior	Anton J Brost	Medford	Superior	Phillip Taylor	Rhineland
At Large	Gus Lang	Wausau	At Large	John A Carran	Beaver Dam
	1963			1973	
Green Bay	Vincent G Reinkober	Chilton	Green Bay	Louis Koszarek	Antigo
La Crosse	Conrad C Ohman	Mauston	La Crosse	Clarence W Ruff	Thorp
Madison	Carl J Hoffman	Lancaster	Madison	Jerome A Weisensel	Columbus
Milwaukee	Frank N Scherer	Sheboygan	Milwaukee	Eugene R Gottfredsen	Racine
Superior	James Slowey	Phillips	Superior	Vincent Ackeret	Medford
At Large	John J Simonis	Stevens Point	At Large	Walter D Heller	Milwaukee
	1964			1974	
Green Bay	Lloyd Palmer	Crandon	Green Bay	Theodore G Hartjes	Appleton
La Crosse	Anthony H Olbert	Eau Claire	La Crosse	Thomas Bord	Wisconsin Rapids
Madison	Robert F Scherneck	Madison	Madison	George H Stein	Verona
Milwaukee	Paul R Schacht	West Bend	Milwaukee	Peter Masticola	Fond du Lac
Superior	Emil Semling	Merrill	Superior	Wm D Van Laarhove	Medford
At Large	Edward Noltner	Waterloo	At Large	Clarence J Eagan	Berlin

	1975			1985	
Green Bay	William H Bormann	Oshkosh	Green Bay	Robet Rand	Manitowoc
La Crosse	Max F Langfeldt	Loyal	La Crosse	Vernon B Homb	Richland Center
Madison	Roy O Weisensel	Sun Prairie	Madison	Frank Hayden	Madison
Milwaukee	Raymond Molling	St Francis	Milwaukee	James Fischer	Milwaukee
Superior	Lawrence Pernsteiner	Medford	Superior	Joseph Grygo	Tomahawk
At Large	William S Eagan	Milwaukee	At Large	Louis W. Sheahan	New London
	1976			1986	
Green Bay	Thomas Landwehr Jr	Seymour	Green Bay	Dale F Siebers	Menasha
La Crosse	Edwin G Schmidt	Thorp	La Crosse	Harold Matis	Mosinee
Madison	Heron Ambrose	Jefferson	Madison	John P Benisch	Columbus
Milwaukee	Edward J Stieck	Milwaukee	Milwaukee	Walter Sheppard	Palmyra
Superior	Theodore Heinzen	Marshfield	Superior	Howard W Grunwald	Medford
At Large	Raymond Kassner	Fort Atkinson	At Large	Richard Wastlick	Richland Center
	1977			1987	
Green Bay	Arthur J Smurawa	Pulaski	Green Bay	Donald C Bettine	Green Bay
La Crosse	Stanley J Sonsalla	Arcadia	La Crosse	Kenneth M Hoffman	Tomah
Madison	Michael C Keyes	Madison	Madison	Raymond J Stuttgen	Janesville
Milwaukee	Joseph L Natalizio	New Berlin	Milwaukee	John W Webber	Menomonee Falls
Superior	Robert H Ebner	Cameron	Superior	William Driscoll	New Richmond
At Large	Lyman E DeWane	Denmark	At Large	Charles Swain	Milwaukee
	1978			1988	
Green Bay	Gordon H Seaver	Appleton	Green Bay	Eugene J Birchler	Appleton
La Crosse	Thomas A Polnaszek	Thorp	La Crosse	Paul J Seidl	Marshfield
Madison	Sylvester J Ballweg	Columbus	Madison	Lawrence E Lanners	Janesville
Milwaukee	Norman E Schuch	West Allis	Milwaukee	Geza Hellstern	Lake Geneva
Superior	Wilbur J Petroskey	Rhineland	Superior	James Bukoski	Tomahawk
At Large	James A Graettinger	Tomahawk	At Large	Donald Wright	Monona
	1979			1989	
Green Bay	Louis DeBroux	DePere	Green Bay	Leo Kostechka	Mischicot
La Crosse	Phillip Thomas Quinn	Mauston	La Crosse	James R Neubauer	Westby
Madison	Adolph A Veith	Jefferson	Madison	Walter M Haack	Cross Plains
Milwaukee	Donald E Peterson	Milwaukee	Milwaukee	Joseph J Esser	Menomonee Falls
Superior	James L Stoffregen	Rice Lake	Superior	Gerald W Frey	New Richmond
At Large	James G Foley Sr	Park Falls	At Large	A J Karasch	Mauston
	1980			1990	
Green Bay	Kenneth F Samba	Tigerton	Green Bay	Arnold E Stern	New London
La Crosse	N P "Nub" Hansen	Mauston	La Crosse	Wenzel G Felber	Tomah
Madison	Donald M Sedlar	Jefferson	Madison	Charles Wiederholt	Hazel Green
Milwaukee	Jerome J Stenke	Hales Corners	Milwaukee	Leon E Neis	Beaver Dam
Superior	John P Anderson	Cumberland	Superior	Wilbert F Stambaugh	Woodruff
At Large	John W Bolton	Burlington	At Large	Kenneth J Staveness	Rio
	1981			1991	
Green Bay	James VanderBloomen	Waupaca	Green Bay	Frank C Muehlenbein	Menasha
La Crosse	George T Kozelka	Prairie du Chien	La Crosse	Anton F Polka	Mosinee
Madison	Allen H Schmitt	Columbus	Madison	Wilbert J Meidl	Jefferson
Milwaukee	George W Koch Jr	Wauwatosa	Milwaukee	Donald M Pitzten	Sheboygan
Superior	Evan R Schallock	Rhineland	Superior	William F Borchardt	Merrill
At Large	Lawrence M Dechant	Camp Douglas	At Large	Irenus (Ray) Lauer	Milwaukee
	1982			1992	
Green Bay	Jerome Simonis	Manawa	Green Bay	Raymond P Dufano	Green Bay
La Crosse	Sylvester F Zurn	Marshfield	La Crosse	Duayne C Schunk	Stanley
Madison	Alvin Thomas Joyce	Waterloo	Madison	Jerry Kasper	Columbus
Milwaukee	Erwin Jankowiak	Milwaukee	Milwaukee	David F Della	New Berlin
Superior	John H Haley	Cumberland	Superior	Eugene M Hohl	Boulder Junction
At Large	Norman Coenen	Appleton	At Large	Robert P Gevelinger	Verona
	1983			1993	
Green Bay	Servatius Uhlman	Hortonville	Green Bay	Roman Frisqu	Green Bay
La Crosse	Bruce Ziegler	Tomah	La Crosse	Richard Baumgarten	Tomah
Madison	Darrell Thompson	Sun Prairie	Madison	Anthony J Santucci	Red Granite
Milwaukee	Albert G Ostrenga	Milwaukee	Milwaukee	Angus Wollenschlager	West Allis
Superior	James Fenton	Shell Lake	Superior	Bernard J Fox	Shell Lake
At Large	Clement J Paulus	Prairie du Chien	At Large	Richard J Fischer	Janesville
	1984			1994	
Green Bay	William Zwicky	Neenah	Green Bay	Philip Kafka	Antigo
La Crosse	Joseph Snow	Arcadia	La Crosse	Paul Vlasek	Tomah
Madison	Jerry Fitzgerald	Wisconsin Dells	Madison	John Sotiros	Janesville
Milwaukee	Murlin Winter	Sheboygan	Milwaukee	Thomas Della	West Bend
Superior	John Ball	New Richmond	Superior	John Kornfeind	Spooner
At Large	William Kerkman	Burlington	At Large	Carl Templin	Middleton

1995

Green Bay Ronald Reis
La Crosse John H (Jack) Hackman
Madison Elmer J Ambrose
Milwaukee Francis Kohlmann
Superior Willis A McLain
At Large Raymond J Roloff

1996

Green Bay Charles Henn
La Crosse James Weinzatl
Madison Daniel Stratman
Milwaukee Michael J McCormick
Superior William Devlin
At Large Joseph Haack

1997

Green Bay Wayne Wood
La Crosse Jacob Grzywacz
Madison William R Cross
Milwaukee Vincent R Eade
Superior Robert E Eaton
At Large Lawrence L Simmert

1998

Green Bay Basil J Lepak
La Crosse Ernest F Raschke
Madison Joseph E Rains
Milwaukee Robert J Chapman
Superior Dennis D Berends
At Large James L Hopp

1999

Green Bay Marvin A Coenen
La Crosse Fredrick G LeSavage
Madison Norman Esser Sr
Milwaukee Peter J Schulteis
Superior James W Yunk
At Large John G Mueller

2000

Green Bay Erwin Becker
La Crosse Donald W Schnitzler
Madison David E Rasmussen
Milwaukee John D Johnson
Superior Walter A Resudek
At Large George W Burns

2001

Green Bay Lawrence Zambrowicz
La Crosse Daniel E Hull
Madison Francis Pohlkamp
Milwaukee Richard Taddey
Superior Ronald Levra
At Large Gerald Heuer

2002

Green Bay John Levesque
La Crosse Vernon Linzmeier
Madison John Rebholz
Milwaukee Harold Casper
Superior Robert Palewicz
At Large Leonard Huschka

Reedsville
Mosinee
Fort Atkinson
Plymouth
Frederic
Waterford

Oneida
Tomah
Watertown
Beaver Dam
Arbor Vitae
Mt Horeb

Pulaski
Mosinee
Madison
Mukwonago
Ashland
Wauwatosa

Green Bay
Marshfield
Fort Atkinson
Mukwonago
Emerald
West Bend

Kimberly
Tomah
Cross Plains
Milwaukee
Park Falls
DePere

Menasha
Marshfield
Wisconsin Dells
Hubertus
Phillips
Shullsburg

Green Bay
Thorp
Middleton
Campbellsport
Park Falls
Beaver Dam

Green Bay
Stevens Point
Madison
Waukesha
Glenwood City
Union Center

2003

Green Bay Thomas J Schreiter
La Crosse Dennis A Koranda
Madison Robert J Abb
Milwaukee Stephen M Maryarski
Superior Donavin L Schmitt
At Large Chester Leskowicz

2004

Green Bay Marvin Spielbauer
La Crosse Ronald Smith
Madison David Fisher
Milwaukee John Lando
Superior Enoch (Nick) Cordes
At Large James Bertler

2005

Green Bay Theodore "Ted" Menge
La Crosse James Feldmeier
Madison Anthony Schreiner
Milwaukee Roland Ransom
Superior Patrick "Pat" Becker
At Large Robert Yost

2006

Green Bay Warren Dietz
La Crosse Thomas Baugarten
Madison H. Brad Stiner
Milwaukee Carl Duch
Superior Eugene Tshumperlin
At Large Thomas Deprez

2007

Green Bay Vernon N. Van Lannen
La Crosse Lewellyn Nest
Madison Darrel Kreul
Milwaukee Richard F. Farvey
Superior Daniel Schwab
At Large Robert L. Nicolay

2008

Green Bay Victor Helbach
La Crosse Phillip Schreiner
Madison Wilbert Hefty
Milwaukee James Krupski
Superior Roger Rebholz
At Large Harold Meyer

2009

Green Bay Frank Brhely
La Crosse Daniel Spencer
Madison James Esser
Milwaukee William Frayer
Superior Donald Leitl
At Large Dennis Rakowski

2010

Green Bay
La Crosse
Madison
Milwaukee
Superior
At Large

Appleton
Tomah
Janesville
Dousman
Somerset
Racine

Neenah
Augusta
Middleton
West Allis
Turtle Lake
Suamico

Appleton
Black River Falls
Mazomanie
Mukwonago
New Richmond
Neenah

Menasha
Tomah
Verona
Oconomowoc
Hudson
Monroe

Pulaski
Mosinee
Highland
Oconomowoc
Hudson
Marshfield

Waupaca
Tomah
Mt Horeb
Burlington
Hudson
Plymouth

Wautoma
Marshfield
Highland
Racine
Park Falls
Hales Corner