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GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

November 2024

Dear Brothers,

We had an outstanding October! National Coffee with a Cop Day was a great success. Our Tootsie Roll drive brought in over \$6,500 for those in need, we were the fourth highest total of any Council in the State. As October tradition dictates, Brother Ray Carmichael led the way in closing out the month with a fantastic Special Needs Halloween party! As always, thank you so much to all the Brothers coming out and donating their time to make these events very successful!

On Monday November 18th we will hold an Exemplification of Charity, Unity, & Fraternity (aka first three degrees). I invite all candidates and Brothers who may not have their first, second, and/or third degrees. I would also ask you to invite a friend or family member to join the Knights. There are so many benefits, and your words are far more effective than a pamphlet or business card! Exemplifications are open to families, friends, and those interested in observing the ceremony which introduces the Knights of Columbus and its principles.

We have several events coming up and we need help! Specifically, on December 21st we are having our annual Children's Christmas Party. During this window we will have Santa, pizza, and some small goodie bags for the kids. We need volunteers who are willing to support the efforts generally, and some who many run some activities for the children. In January (date TBD) we will be hosting a free throw tournament for kids ages 9-14 and will need folks to assist with running the event.

Please consider jumping into some volunteering or finding another way you can assist us in continuing the excellent work we have going. I am so proud and blessed to be able to represent this Council as your Grand Knight, thank you.

Vivat Iesu & May God Bless Council 109

Grand Knight Nicholas Gallo

Upcoming Council Events & Activities

November 5 th	Officer's Planning Meeting
November 10 th	Contra for a Cause
November 12 th	Memorial Mass 6PM @ St. Agnes
November 13 th	Columbus Club Meeting
November 17 th	Saint Agnes Coffee Hour @ St. Agnes Hope Hall
November 18 th	Knights of Columbus Exemplification
November 19 th	Knights of Columbus Meeting, Columbus Club Election
November 24 th	<i>Solemnity of Christ the King</i>
December 1 st	Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Submissions Due

To keep informed of Council activities, visit our website: www.KofC109.com

NOVEMBER MOTIONS

The following motions have been submitted for our regular business meeting:

- Approval of October 15th Regular Business Meeting Minutes
- Motion to donate \$200 to Father Richard Deshaies for the purchase of printed prayer materials used in ministry. Father Deshaies is a regular “substitute” priest at St. Eulalia Parish.
- Motion to donate the \$100 refund received from the Food for Families program to St. Matthew food Pantry.

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

The following Brothers or family members have been reported ill. Your prayers are requested for their well-being and for the continued good health of all our Brothers and their families. A card or a visit would be appreciated.

PGK Bob Cullinane & his bride Maureen – unwell and could use prayers.

Brother Steve Kelly Sr – in rehab after a few falls.

Brother David Gallo Sr, father of GK Gallo – undergoing treatment for mantle cell lymphoma.

Diana Couture, wife of FDD/PGK David Couture – unwell and could use prayers.

Scott Chisholm, brother of Brother John Chisholm – undergoing treatment for cancer.

Mary Brady, mother of Brother Michael Brady – unwell and could use prayers.

Sarah Yoss, sister of GK Gallo – undergoing treatment for thyroid cancer.

IN MEMORIAM

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of all our deceased Brothers and their family members, may their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Brother Guerino Luongo

Brother James Griffin

Mary Keefe - sister of PGK Jackie Keefe

MEMORIAL MASS HONOR ROLL

Each year Arlington Council #109 of the Knights of Columbus holds a Memorial Mass to honor our members who are now “Away with our Lord”. This year the following Knights will be included in our ceremonies:

Bernard “Bernie” J. Green

Julien A. Martin

Theodore L. Peluso

George D. Reynolds Jr.

Joseph A. Roper, Jr.

Ronald C. Carvalho

John J. Hanley Jr.

Guerino “Rino” Luongo

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St. Agnes & St. Camillus

www.cparl.org

St. Eulalia

www.sainteulalia.org

St. Peter

www.saintpetercambridge.org

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Paulo Carvalho

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In addition to our Council organized scholarship opportunities, many scholarships also exist at the SUPREME Council level. More info: <https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/scholarships/index.html>

CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

The below are individuals who have completed an application for membership to our Council. **Action will be taken on their application at our next Business Meeting:**

Gaetano Fierro (T) George Strassburger Paulo Carvalho

ASPIRANTS FOR COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

The below are individuals who have been accepted by a vote of the Council but have not yet completed a degree. **Please encourage these Aspirants to complete their degree training** so they may fulfil their membership requirements:

Bill Darnell Matthew Lojacono Matthew Garcia
John Griffin John Ford

ON-DEMAND EXEMPLIFICATION

Have you reached the 3rd degree? All individuals without a degree or with only the 1st & 2nd degrees are encouraged to complete their 3rd degree. Our first three degrees are an introduction to our order's focuses on Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. **This on-demand training only takes about 30 minutes to complete.** A link to the ceremony may be found here: www.kofc109.com/exemplification

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We have set a goal of 30 new members this fraternal year (July 2024 - June 2025). Below is our progress towards that goal:

Goal	Oct +	FYTD +	%
30	2	14	47%

Make sure to both recruit new members and assist them through the degree process!

