



## Reminder

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### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Encourage each council in your district to utilize the Member Management/Member Billing Applications located in Officers Online.
- Supreme Council Office staff is here to assist you by keeping you informed about Orderwide news, council reminders and membership initiatives. Should you have any questions or comments during your term as district deputy, please send an e-mail to [dd@kofc.org](mailto:dd@kofc.org).
- Ensure that councils submitted the *Semiannual Council Audit* (#1295). Submission is required to retain bonding on the offices of the financial secretary and treasurer.

### NEW COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT

One of the greatest accomplishments for you as district deputy is the formation of a new council during your tenure. If you have a potential new council in your assigned area, strive to have it instituted as soon as possible.

If you have questions regarding the procedure for starting a new council, please contact the Supreme Council office at 203-752-4270.

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### CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

One of the most popular and successful programs conducted by local councils benefits people with intellectual disabilities by collecting funds outside stores and on street corners. In appreciation, the donor is offered a piece of candy, often a Tootsie Roll®. The high visibility of this program has led to the campaign being referred to as the "Tootsie Roll Drive."

While the nickname is understandable, it is misleading since the Knights of Columbus has no official tie to Tootsie Rolls or their manufacturer. Many councils participate in the same fundraising drive, but distribute other items. References to this program should highlight the positive aspects of the fundraising and not advertise candy. If councils in your district conduct this program, it is recommended that it be promoted as the "Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities."

### YOUNG ADULT OUTREACH

The College & Young Adult Outreach team can assist you by sharing best practices for recruiting young people and by offering tips on how you can effectively engage young leaders in your district. These practices apply not only to college councils, but to established parish councils as well.

The team can also assist you with New Council Development at your district's colleges and universities. Please contact [college@kofc.org](mailto:college@kofc.org) with any leads so the team can work with you to form new college councils. For those districts that already have a college council, the support you provide to them is critical in keeping that council active.

To learn more about College & Young Adult Outreach initiatives and best practices or to share your success stories from your district, we encourage you to contact [college@kofc.org](mailto:college@kofc.org).

## AN ACTIVITY-PACKED OCTOBER

**C**ouncils should begin planning for a busy October. Beginning with October 1 and continuing through October 9, 2016, councils should participate in the **Charitable Service Outreach Week**. Suggested programs for that week include:

- **Conducting a Coats for Kids program** Councils should order coats now for distribution during the week in October by using the *Coats for Kids Order Form* (#5029) available on [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms). Coats may also be ordered through [knightsgear.com](http://knightsgear.com). Additional information on the program is available on the Knights of Columbus website, [kofc.org/coats](http://kofc.org/coats).
- **Conducting a Food for Families program** Councils should begin announcing in their parishes and communities that the collection dates will be during the service week in October. Once the program is complete, councils should report their participation in the program using the *Food for Families Reimbursement Program Refund and Plaque Application* (#10057) available on [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms).

During the weekends of October 8-9 and 15-16, 2016, councils should participate in the **Council Church Drive**. The councils in your district should begin preparing for the drive by meeting with the pastor[s] of the parish[es] they serve to ask permission to conduct a membership drive at all Masses that weekend. For a successful drive, the council should:

- Submit a bulletin announcement for the drive during the two weeks leading up to the Church drive
- During the weekend of the drive, post teams of brother Knights at the entries of the Church to hand out informational flyers on their council and *Prospect Cards* (#921A)

For complete information on how to conduct a successful church drive, consult the *Membership Recruitment and Retention Manual* (#10237).

Following the **Charitable Service Outreach Week** and the **Council Church Drive**, councils should welcome new members into their councils during the **Council First Degree Week** being held October 17-23, 2016. This is a perfect way for councils to complete an activity-filled start of October.

## KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

**F**or the past three years, the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council has sponsored the "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest. This program allows children, ages 5-14, to engage their creative talents and imaginations while understanding the true meaning of Christmas.

Over six thousand young people have participated in the opportunity to showcase their artistic skills while learning about the importance of why we celebrate Christmas. The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council is again encouraging councils to take part in this program to get even more young people engaged in keeping Christ in Christmas and not just participating in the commercial aspect of the holiday.

For more information and to order the *Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest Kit* (#CPC-Kit) visit [kofc.org/Christmas](http://kofc.org/Christmas) or call 203-752-4270.

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## NEW COUNCILS AND CIRCLES INSTITUTED LAST MONTH

<b>District</b>	<b>DD Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Council #</b>	<b>Location</b>
13	Thomas Albers	Georgia	16513	Sandy Springs
51	Gregory P. Sillen	New York	16519	Middletown
J30	Felixberto C. Jampit, Sr.	Mindanao	16520	Santiago, Gingoog City
V95	Vince Allan F. Davantes	Visayas	16521	Hinabangan, W. Samar
17	David K. Miller	Texas	16522	Wichita Falls
18	Timothy W. Brown	Tennessee	16523	Knoxville
B87	Ciano B. Baldo	Luzon North	16524	Capinitan, Sabangan, Mt. Province
I33	Jessie R. Vite	Luzon South	16525	Bucal, Maragondon, Cavite