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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARLINGTON COUNCIL 109

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

October 2023

Dear Brothers,

We had another great month! We brought in four new members, raised \$3,764.99 in a very successful Tootsie Roll Drive, approved two \$500 RSVP donations for seminarians, and allocated monies for "Coats for Kids". We are on a roll! Thank you for your efforts, keep up the great work!

The Tootsie Roll Drive would not have been a success without all the help of Brothers: Stephen Ronayne, Paul Buckley, Tim Feeney, Enrique Lozano, Dan Buckley, David Couture, Tom Kerins, Pete Kenney, George Kenney, Mike Brady, Dick Cullinane, Bob Tosi, Phil Lohnes, Bob Powers, James McCaffrey, and Tom Henry. Community partners Debbie Lewis, and Brian Markwarth. As well as the many students (and children / grandchildren of Brothers): Brendan Campbell, Audrey Keefe, Lily Keefe, Ava Santini, Nikki Clarke, Annabelle Rogers, Jimmy Rogers, Cait Lombard, Shaine Barrett, Bridget Precourt, Charlie Holman, Will Zani, Daniel Lee, and Leia Ahmad. The Council will hold a Volunteer Thank You Dinner (to be scheduled) to properly thank and recognize all our volunteers.

We still have much ahead of us! Please consider finding some time to assist the Council in a way that works for you. We still need brothers to assist with Coats for Kids, and the Christmas Children's Party. Please let me know when you are available to assist. We also plan to hold recruitment drives at the parishes. If you can support that effort, please do let me know!

Finally, please always feel free to reach out and discuss anything with me! I am here to listen and help where I am able.

Vivat Iesu & May God Bless Council 109

Grand Knight Nicholas Gallo

October 17 th	7PM MA State KofC Open House
October 23 rd	6:30PM Special Needs Halloween Party
October 24 th	Knights of Columbus Meeting
October 29 th	10AM Coffee Hour @ St. Agnes Hope Hall
November 7 th	Columbus Club (CC) Meeting
November 10 th	Post & Essay Contest Submissions Due
November 14 th	6PM KofC109 Memorial Mass @ St. Agnes
November 21 st	Knights of Columbus Meeting & CC Election

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

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St. Agnes & St. Camillus www.cparl.org

St. Eulalia

www.sainteulalia.org

St. Peter

www.saintpetercambridge.org

OCTOBER MOTIONS

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

- Approval of September 19th Regular Business Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of \$250 Sponsorship of Arlington Rotary 45th Annual Paul Harris Fellow Award & Community of the Year Banquet (Note: A generous donor has volunteered to match our donation, a total of \$500 will go to Rotary).
- Approval of \$136 donation to Wreaths Across America. One \$68 to Mass State KofC, and one \$68 to PSD family drive.
- Approval of \$100 donation to KofC Woburn Council Tommy's Place benefit.

Annual Benefit Drawing

The Annual Benefit Drawing (aka 10K Drawing) will be held on Saturday, December 2nd. Letters notifying folks who have a number on-hold have gone out this week! Please make sure to respond ASAP so unused numbers can be reallocated. The proceeds from the drawing will be allocated to the Canty/Prior Scholarship Fund, two scholarships to Saint Agnes School given in memory of John Stanton & Ed Downs, and any remaining funds going to the operating fund.

BULLETIN UPDATE

Please consider placing an Ad in our bulletin. An Ad only costs \$150 for the entire fraternal year! This is a business expense and goes directly towards our charitable endeavors! A special thank you to the brothers who have already signed up for their Ads and their support for the new/updated bulletin format!

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.

-none-

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.

Charles "Charlie" Lyons (9/25) Robert "Bob" Shea (8/27)



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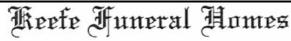
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CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

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:

C. Bruce Brewer

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:

Adam Elyonssi Dara Conneely Thomas Farren Jr Joseph Bastardi Michael Alogna Arthur Gillis Jason Vlacich Kenneth Wallace Michael Tremblay Joseph McMahon

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 2023 - June 2024). Below is our progress towards that goal:

Goal	Oct +	FYTD +	%
30	4	17	57%

If all 10 aspirants completed their training and became brothers, we would be at 90% goal already! Make sure to both recruit new members and assist them through the degree process!

FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

A Fourth Degree Exemplification is scheduled for Sunday, November 12, 2023, at St. Mary's Church, 57 South Street, Ware, MA.

If you have interest in this exemplification, please reach out to GrandKnight@Kofc109.com and I can share more information.



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- His Holiness John Paul II October 22, 1978

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WOBURN COUNCIL #77 TOMMY'S PLACE BENEFIT

Cancer is one of the leading causes of death among children in the United States. Every year, thousands of families are affected by this devastating disease. For these children and their families, one of the most important aspects of dealing with cancer is having a supporting community. Woburn Council #77 will be holding a benefit to collect donations and raise funds to benefit "Tommy's Place".

The benefit is expected to sell out very soon! Please contact and pay Paul Buckley who has a few tickets on reserve for our Council until 10/20. This should be an excellent event!



STATE COUNCIL TOWN HALL AT #109

We will be holding a town hall for the State Council on Tuesday, October 17th at 7PM. All council officers, directors, field agents and members are encouraged to attend.

These meetings are interactive and likely discussion topics will include:

- What challenges are you having recruiting new members?
- What challenges do you face running programs?
- What are your biggest challenges?
- How can we improve Safe Environment Compliance?
- What else do you need either from the State Council or Supreme Council?