



KNIGHTLY NEWS

Knights of Columbus Council 7909, Olathe, KS

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Council Operations

Although our activity schedule is somewhat light this time of year, come to the meeting to see what else is on store for this Fall.



Monday, October 20th.

**The meeting starts at 7:00 PM.
(Rosary at 6:30 PM in the Cry room).**

Please take a few moments to review the minutes of our September meeting. (See Below). We will be voting to accept the minutes at our next membership meeting.



Meeting Agenda's and Minutes

Going forward, you will be able to find the agenda's for our upcoming meetings and the minutes of our last council meeting on our website (KofC7909.org).



**ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP
TOTAL: 377 MEMBERS**



Brother Knights,

In a world often marked by division, the Knights of Columbus stand as a beacon of unity, charity, and unwavering faith. Our core principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and I would say Patriotism are not merely words, but a lived commitment that makes us a powerful force for good within our church and in the wider world. We are called to be exemplars of plurality, demonstrating that while our individual paths and backgrounds may differ, our shared values and our common identity as Americans bind us together with far greater strength than anything that might seek to separate us.

Our commitment to Charity is a direct reflection of Christ's teachings. We are called to love our neighbor as ourselves, to extend a hand to those in need, and to uplift the vulnerable. This is beautifully illustrated in the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). A man, beaten and left for dead, was ignored by those who should have helped, yet a Samaritan—an outsider often viewed with suspicion—showed compassion, tended his wounds, and ensured his recovery.

This parable reminds us that true charity transcends all boundaries and recognizes the inherent dignity in every person, regardless of their origin or status.

Unity is the very fabric of our order. We come from different walks of life, hold diverse opinions, and yet, we gather as brothers in Christ. This unity is not about erasing our individuality, but about leveraging our collective strengths for a greater purpose. It is in our shared faith and our common American spirit that we find profound common ground. We are all Americans, heirs to a nation built on principles of freedom and opportunity, and our collective efforts can help reinforce those foundational ideals.

GK Comments (continued)



Fraternity within the Knights means supporting one another, growing together in faith, and building a strong community. It's about being there for our brothers in times of joy and sorrow, offering a helping hand, and fostering a sense of belonging. This bond strengthens us individually and collectively, making us more effective in our service.

And finally, Patriotism. We are proud Americans who cherish the liberties and values that define our nation. We believe in actively contributing to the betterment of our communities and upholding the principles that make our country strong. Our patriotism is not exclusive but inclusive, recognizing the vast tapestry of cultures and beliefs that make up the American identity. We celebrate our diversity, knowing that it enriches our nation and strengthens our resolve to work towards a more just and compassionate society for all.

Let us continue to embody these principles every day. Let us be the Good Samaritans of our time, reaching out with love and compassion. Let us be examples of unity in a divided world, demonstrating that our shared humanity and our common citizenship are powerful forces for good. Together, as Knights of Columbus, we can continue to make a profound difference, leaving a legacy of faith, charity, and unity for generations to come.

Alex Montgomery-Soares
Grand Knight

Director's Corner

Technical Director - Tim Walker

The Technology Director serves as a support role within the council, focusing on leveraging technology to enhance operations without taking on management responsibilities for events or budgets. Key duties include providing technical assistance to other Directors and Officers, such as guidance on tools like Venmo for financial transactions, while interfacing with roles like the Financial Secretary that use council owned technologies, Grand Knight, and other tech-reliant directors. This involves attending Officers' and Business meetings, as well as scheduling additional sessions to explore and discuss potential technology integrations that could benefit the council. Contact frequency and overall time commitment vary throughout the year, remaining minimal during quieter periods but intensifying in the lead-up to major events where new tech implementations are prioritized; additional tasks may include handling related correspondence and offering on-site support during events. And yes, true to the name, this was written with the assistance of AI.

Recognition

Key Dates

October

10/4 & 5 – Delta Drive

10/7 – Officer Planning Meeting

10/10 to 12 – Tootsie Roll Drive

10/11 – Homeless Uplift

10/12 – Sunday Donuts

10/19 – Sunday Donuts

10/20 – Membership Meeting

November

11/4 – Officer Planning Meeting

11/8 – Veterans Dinner

11/9 – Sunday Donuts

11/16 – Sunday Donuts

11/17 – Membership Meeting

December

12/2 – Officer Planning Meeting

12/6 – Street Cleanup

12/14 – Sunday Donuts

12/15 – Membership Meeting

12/21 – Sunday Donuts

September

Knight of The Month
Myles Clark & Brian Coburn

Family of The Month
Andy Boehm Family

Delta Drive



On October 4th & 5th we will be having a Delta Drive for new members. We need ambassadors at every Mass. Please consider helping. This is a great chance to increase our visibility to the parish.

Activity Updates

Burrito Prep (Old Settlers)

One of our best selling items at Old Settlers were breakfast burritos. Here are a few pictures of the crew that prepared them.



Cooking Crew:
Frank Vardijan,
Brian Timberlake,
Bob Lockwood,
Tom McGranagh,
Myles Clark.

Assembly Crew: Dave Mulhall, Henry Marsh, Jon Thielen, Eric Buck,
Larry Drbal, Joe Kramer, Scott Applen, Ken Brown, Travis Steele,
Tom Farmer, Dave Greving.



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Activity Updates

Old Settlers

Once again the council pulled out all the stops for Old Settlers September 4th - 6th. Thanks to the many, many people who put in a lot of hard work to make this event very successful. We were able to see over \$6,800 in profits for the council.



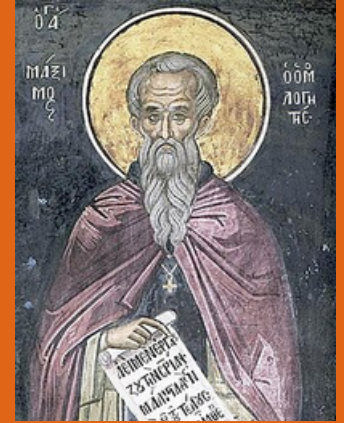
Activity Updates

Old Settlers



Catholic Facts

Church Fathers



Maximus the Confessor (580 – 662)

A Christian monk, theologian, and scholar. In his early life, Maximus was a civil servant, and an aide to the Byzantine Emperor Heraclius. He gave up this life in the political sphere to enter the monastic life. Maximus is venerated in both the Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches. He was eventually persecuted for his Christological positions. His title of "Confessor" means that he suffered for the Christian faith, but was not directly martyred.*

Spiritual Quotes

— Here is —
**A RULE FOR
EVERYDAY LIFE:**
**DO NOT DO
ANYTHING WHICH
YOU CANNOT OFFER
TO GOD**

...
St. Jean Marie Vianney

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Activity Updates

Shalom House

Continuing to help Catholic Charities, this super crew put on another tasty dinner (meatloaf, rice pilaf, caesar salad, rolls & cookies) in September for the inhabitants of Shalom House.



Cooking Crew: Tom Farner, Mark Brinkman, Richard Eberhardt, Tom Granaghan, & Bob Herbic.

Fall Festival

On September 20th, the council brought out the grill to cook burgers and hotdogs for the Fall Festival.



Supreme Tidbits

Go For Two - invite two men to join the Knights of Columbus.



When you recruit two men between Sept. 1 and Dec. 31, 2025, you'll be entered into a drawing to receive a cash prize of \$1,500!

Ten second-place winners will receive a customized, K of C-branded football.

Want two entries? Recruit four men before the end of the year!

Be sure these new recruits include your member number as their proposer, so you get credit and have a chance to win.

This fall, you have the power to bring the Knights of Columbus mission to more Catholic men – profoundly impacting their lives, their families and their communities.

It starts with a simple invitation, and then one more.

Let's go big this fall – let's go for two!



State Tidbits



Religious Education Raffle

Monies raised for the Religious Education Fund help parishes, schools and CCD programs throughout the state. These funds are also used to help support the Catholic Campus Centers in Kansas, and underwrite special Religious Education projects submitted by the Bishops of Kansas, Catholic lay organizations and individuals.

Gregory Gangel	25
James Gardner	25
Ben Storey	25
Jerod Eller	30

October Birthdays

Richard Michalski	1
Paul Oberrieder	1
Gregory Hammes	2
Anthony Ganss	3
Terry Walling	3
Jason Davis	4
Michael Fessler	4
Joseph Voda	4
Robert Couch	5
Jim Wright	5
Martin Boos	6
Shawn Merideth	6
Grant Neuer	6
Daniel Lenzen	7
Ysidro Negrete	8
Kadin Stratton	8
Kenneth Brown	10
Thomas Keegan	11
William Adams	12
Donald Hartley	12
David Sandberg	12
Alan Santa	14
Richard Newallis	17
Leon Suprenant	17
Christopher Porter	18
Bradley Crosby	19
Joseph Quilty	19
Bradlin Ellis	22
John Thomas	22
Jan Cummins	23
Clair Henderson	23
John Kimmi	23

Upcoming Activities & Events

Delta Drive



October 4th - 5th

Tootsie Roll Drive



October 10th - 12th

Homeless Uplift



October 11th

1st - 3rd Exemplification



**October 20th
(Before The Meeting)**

**St. Philippine
Duchesne
Assembly 2260**











**The Business meeting
will be held on
October 13th, 7:15 PM.**

**(Meeting location
will be at St. Paul's.)**

October

UPCOMING EVENTS

2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4  Delta Drive
5  Delta Drive	6	7  Officers Meeting	8	9	10  Tootsie Roll Drive	11  Tootsie Roll Drive Homeless Uplift
12  Tootsie Roll Drive Sunday Donuts	13	14	15	16	17	18
19  Sunday Donuts	20  Membership Meeting	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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