



THE KNIGHTLY NEWS COUNCIL #2269 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR — WHAT'S COMING UP

Sept. 25-26 • Tootsie Roll Drive at Walmart: Collections for the Drive for the Developmentally Disabled. Sign up for a two-hour shift by going to the website events page. www.kofc2269.com/events

Oct. 5 • 10 AM & 6:30 PM — Bocce Ball Grand Opening: Come check out the new courts. Spouses, family and friends are invited.

Oct. 9-10 — Tootsie Roll Drive at Schnucks: Additional collection dates added - signups coming soon.

Oct. 10-11 — Tootsie Roll Drive after Masses: Collections continue after Masses.

Nov. 6 — Fashion Show - Doors 4:30 PM; Dinner 6:30 PM : Tickets are available through the website; Knights are needed to serve food and clear plates. Signup info will be available soon.

Nov. 22 — No Hunger Holiday Turkey Collection: A community food-support effort.

Dec. 7 — Toy & Coat Drive: This Drive rive is scheduled to wrap up by December 7th.

Dec. 17 — Christmas Party: Save the date! More details to follow soon.

Jan. 16, 2027 — Awards Banquet: Save the date! More details to follow soon.

June 18, 2027 — Our Annual Golf Tournament: At The Falls Golf Course in O'Fallon.

WHAT'S NEW & WHAT'S HAPPENING

Bocce Ball is ready to roll! The long-awaited Bocce Ball Courts are complete and ready for play. The council plans to start leagues in early spring, so the October 5th grand opening is a perfect chance to try out the sport and see whether you want to join a league. Come out either at 10AM or 6:30PM and play on the new bocce ball courts!

Queen of Hearts jackpot hits \$11,667! The jackpot is growing, and doors open at 5 PM with drawings at 7 PM. Food and drink are available.

A warm word for the Hall The home association received a letter from Business Direct saying the hall was voted the number-one fraternal hall in the area by Google-based voters.

Lend a hand The Social Committee has vacancies, the council is also seeking a membership director to help grow membership, and the Bar Committee could use more bartenders. Please contact any of the officers to sign up.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

The council's charitable efforts remain a major part of what we do.

The September charity recommendations total approximately \$10,278.

\$5,000 — St. Dominic High School scholarships

\$2,500 — Assumption School scholarships

\$1,000 — Seminarians (two listed at \$500 each)

\$515 — No Hunger Holiday, supporting 103 meals through the Assumption St. Vincent de Paul Conference

\$500 — Ladies Auxiliary / Fashion Show sponsorship

\$400 — Ava's Place Golf Sponsor

\$150 — Birthright Wentzville / Golf Tournament Hole Sponsor

\$113 — Assumption PSR/Religious Education Open House refreshments

\$100 — K of C Sacred Heart Council, Troy / Horse Race Sponsor

LOOKING BACK — A STRONG SHOW OF SUPPORT

Patriot Day Run: 227 runners registered (including virtual participants), 149 people ran, and 50 volunteers helped. Final proceeds were still being calculated at the time of this report. The bourbon raffle raised more than \$2,800, with all proceeds benefiting the USO and BackStoppers.

Faith in Action — 5th Sunday Mass: The August 30th Mass had a good turnout. The next 5th Sunday Mass is scheduled for November 29, with a decision still pending on whether a celebration will be held on Thanksgiving weekend.

Food Drive: Faith in Action conducted a food drive on September 20th at the lower church parking lot. Together with food donated by the school, the Saint Vincent de Paul food pantry has been restocked after reaching its lowest levels in years.

PSR Open House: Faith in Action helped by distributing cookies and bottled water, with the individually wrapped cookies especially appreciated.

STATE & 4TH DEGREE SPOTLIGHT

State Cornhole Tournament — Jan. 29–30, 2027 in Lee's Summit; scheduled to move to Hillsboro in 2028.

State Bowling Tournament — March 6–7, 2027 in O'Fallon, hosted again by our Council 2269.

Horseshoe Tournament — Members are encouraged to participate next year in St. Paul.

4th Degree Exemplifications — Oct. 3 in Ozark; Oct. 24 in Ellisville; Nov. 7 in Marshall. Contact Jim Piel or any 4th Degree Knight to participate.

LADIES AUXILIARY

Fashion Show tickets are on sale! Go to our KC website to buy tickets or to sponsor. www.kofc2269.com/events

Our Grand Prize raffle is a one week stay in **Gulf Shores Alabama!** with a second drawing for **\$500!** In addition, we have a special raffle which is a beautiful diamond necklace donated from Randy's Jewelry! You can buy tickets for both of these raffles at Queen of Hearts parties or the night of the event. It's going to be a great year for the Fashion Show.

We hope to see you there!