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**Kirkwood Council 2117**

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## August 2023 Newsletter

### Grand Knight Keith Beardslee Message



We started the 2023-24 fraternal year with a bang!

Pending final settlement of credit card transactions and sponsorships, our 4th Annual Charitable BBQ is poised to net \$6,138, with the Fisher House and Our Lady's Inn each receiving a donation of \$3,069.

Thank you to all our Brother Knights, their families and friends who made this year's BBQ a tremendous success.



### Upcoming Events Calendar

Visit Council website Calendar ([www.kofc2117.org](http://www.kofc2117.org)) any time for most current event information

#### August 2023

Thur	3	Business Meeting <b>MOVED FROM 10th</b> (6:30pm-Social & Rosary).....	7:30 pm
Sat	12	<b>FR MICHAEL McGIVNEY BIRTHDAY</b>	
Wed	9	Assembly 565 - 4th Degree Meeting.....	7:30 pm
Sat-Sun	12-13	Man-the-Can for Sts Teresa & Bridget Food Pantry ( <i>St Peter</i> ).....	All Masses
Tue	15	<b>ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	
Fri-Sun	18-20	MO State KofC Horseshoe Tournament .....	
Mon	21	St Louis Chapter Meeting.....	7:00 pm

#### September 2023

Mon	4	<b>LABOR DAY</b>	
Thur	7	Officer Meeting.....	7:30 pm
Thur	14	Business Meeting (6:30pm/Social, 7:10pm/Rosary) <b>ST GERARD MAJELLA</b>	7:30 pm
Sat-Sun	9-10	Man-the-Can for Sts Teresa & Bridget Food Pantry ( <i>St Peter</i> ).....	All Masses
Wed	13	Assembly 565 - 4th Degree Meeting.....	7:30 pm
Sat	16	Greentree Festival (Beer Booth Sales).....	Time Slots
Sat	16	4th Degree Exemplification.....	10:00 am
Sat	23	St Gerard Majella Fallfest.....	Time Slots
Mon	27	St Louis Chapter Meeting.....	7:00 pm

## August Business Meeting Moved Up One Week to August 3

As the weather heats up (and summer winds down), vacations and travel plans are beginning to crowd our busy schedules.

With many Council officers planning to be away on the regular meeting date of the second Thursday, **GK Keith Beardslee** has elected to move the meeting up one week to Thursday August 3.

The meeting will be held at the Council meeting room in the St Peter rectory basement and will include the usual social gathering at 6:30pm, rosary at 7:10pm, and business meeting around 7:30pm.

The meeting agenda includes several upcoming summer activities as well as a special election for a replacement Treasurer (see below).

August 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Meeting Date Change

To complete this election and transact other important business, we require a quorum of members. We really need you to plan on attending so we can accomplish the Council business during this busy time of the year...please join us!

## Special Election for Treasurer – August 3 Business Meeting



The officer position of Council Treasurer recently became available. Nominations for Treasurer were solicited at the July meeting and **PGK David Anderson** agreed to complete the remaining term of Treasurer, if elected.

As required by our Council bylaws, this announcement satisfies the rule to publish an officer election before the formal vote which will be held at the August business meeting.

David Anderson is running unopposed for Treasurer. **Tom Foy** and **Dan Koskovich** will work together to meet any Treasurer duties until the upcoming election.

## New Columbian Year Brings Recruiting Restart

2022-2023 was an excellent recruiting year for Council 2117, with us meeting our state goal for new member recruitment thanks to the efforts of GK **Keith Beardslee** and Membership Director DGK **Tony Jarboe**.

Meeting our recruiting goal was the last item to be checked off to obtain the Star Council designation, identifying Council 2117 as an elite Council in the Knights of Columbus worldwide organization!

While we briefly celebrate this accomplishment, the counter resets to zero on July 1 and the challenge for 2023-24 recruiting begins anew!

Growing our membership enhances our Council in many ways; more manpower allows us to be involved in more service, new members bring new ideas and energy to our whole Council, and younger members help preserve our legacy of faith and service.

If you know a family member, friend, neighbor, or parishioner who should be a Knight, share the new recruitment flyer we have created and reach out to Tony Jarboe; he will help you make this happen.

### Knights of Columbus

Kirkwood Council 2117

Men Growing in Faith and Leading by Action

Inspired by our organization's founder, Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney, we are pledged to four principles: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, Patriotism.

Our worldwide membership includes over 2 million Catholic men growing in faith, supporting each other and leading their families through charitable action at home and wherever there is a need.

Knights of Columbus Kirkwood Council 2117 invites all Catholic gentlemen 18 years and over to join us and build their lives on a solid foundation; becoming the man, spouse, and father that God created them to be, fulfilled and fully alive.

JOIN TODAY

To learn more about KofC Kirkwood Council 2117 contact  
 Keith Beardslee (Keith.Beardslee@gmail.com)  
 Tony Jarboe (tonyjarboe@wustl.edu)

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## August Knight Birthdays

5 John Modder  
7 Thomas Foy  
12 Kevin Cohan  
14 Dennis Shrewsbury  
15 James Morton



15 Douglas Nigh  
16 David Anderson  
17 Gerald Brendel  
19 David Renard  
24 Ryan Schuetz

### *CORRECTIONS REQUESTED*

Spot an error? Your big day missing? Please email corrections to [kofc2117editor@gmail.com](mailto:kofc2117editor@gmail.com)

## Knight of the Month

At the July business meeting, **GK Keith Beardslee** presented Brother Knight **Tim Leitner** with the July Knight of the Month award.

Shortly after joining Kirkwood Council 2117, Tim stepped up in a leadership role to fill in as Recorder and since then has become a dependable volunteer willing to serve in numerous Council activities.

Tim as an excellent example of a new Brother Knight quickly involving himself in the activities and support of our organization.



## Busy September – Mark Your Calendars NOW

September signals the coming end of summer, with weather cooling, kids returning to school and the days getting shorter.

September also brings the start of a very busy volunteering schedule for Council 2117 that includes the Greentree Festival beer booth and St Gerard Majella Fallfest parking lot duties, followed shortly thereafter with the Developmental Disabilities Tootsie Roll drive and the Old Newsboys fundraiser...all needing many volunteers for each event

**September 16** - We start with Kirkwood 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Greentree Festival. From 10am until 10pm on September 16, we will be selling beer at the busiest booth in the park. We need 5-6 volunteers at all times, covering two-hour staggered shifts throughout the day.

**KIRKWOOD  
GREENTREE FESTIVAL**

This is an exciting and fun day, giving us high visibility in the community and generating as much as \$9,000 in shared profits and tips...our biggest single fundraiser of the year! Watch for sign-ups which will begin soon.



**September 23** - The following weekend, Council 2117 provides services for the annual St Gerard FallFest with 2 volunteers needed to man the parking lot entrance and provide traffic control and parking directions.

This is a great opportunity to spend an hour or two and get better acquainted with a Brother Knight while helping one of our served parishes.

Sign-ups will begin soon. We especially encourage St Gerard Majella Knights to help in their home parish.

## Wine and Beer Tasting Fundraiser Event – Coming October 26

Brothers **Zach Bevins**, **Dan Charles** and **Keith Beardslee** are chairing the 2023 Wine & Beer Tasting fundraiser, taking place October 26 from 6pm to 8pm at Grapevine Wines and Spirits in Kirkwood. The cost to attend is \$30 for an individual or \$50 for a couple and capacity is limited to 80 attendees.

Proceeds will benefit the Knights of Columbus Developmental Center at SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and Missouri Special Olympics. This event coincides with the Knights of Columbus Annual Tootsie Roll Drive raising funds to support individuals living with developmental disabilities also taking place in October.

This year's fundraiser also features a silent auction. If you have an item you would like to donate to the auction please reach out to Zach, Dan or Keith.



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## WINE TASTING BENEFITTING

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DEVELOPMENTAL  
CENTER AT SSM HEALTH CARDINAL  
GLENNON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

MISSOURI SPECIAL OLYMPICS

October 26, 2023 6PM - 8PM

Grapevine Wine and Spirits

309 S. Kirkwood Rd, Kirkwood, MO 63122

\$30 per individual \$50 per couple

The event will include a silent auction featuring numerous items like certificates for dinners and shopping and handmade items from Brother Knights.

To reserve your spot on the list RSVP to Keith Beardslee at [Keith.Beardslee@gmail.com](mailto:Keith.Beardslee@gmail.com).



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**2023/24 - Roster of Council Officers**

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**Roster of Council Directors**

Program Director	Dave Anderson	Membership Director	Tony Jarboe
Faith Director	Keith Beardslee	Retention Director	Keith Beardslee
Family Director	Ben Krueger	Communications Director	Keith Beardslee
Community Director	Dave Renard	Website/Newsletter Editor	Dan Koskovich
Life Director	Tom Foy		