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Kirkwood Council 2117

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September 2023 Newsletter

Grand Knight Keith Beardslee Message



As summer turns to fall, we enter Council 2117's busiest season of service for the entire year.

From our parish and community fall festivals to the annual Tootsie Roll Drive, we count on our Brother Knights to show out in force as we work together to support the initiatives and causes that we care deeply about.

Check the crowded calendar below and volunteer today!



Upcoming Events Calendar

Visit Council website Calendar (www.kofc2117.org) any time for most current event information

September 2023

Mon	4	LABOR DAY	
Thur	7	Officer Meeting.....	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
Thur	14	Business Meeting (6:30pm/Social, 7:10pm/Rosary) ST GERARD MAJELLA	7:30 pm
Sat	16	Greentree Festival (Beer Booth Sales).....	Time Slots
Sat	23	St Gerard Majella Fallfest.....	Time Slots
Mon	27	St Louis Chapter Meeting.....	7:00 pm

October 2023

Thur	5	Officer Meeting.....	7:30 pm
Fri-Sat	6-7	DD Drive-Tootsie Roll Sales (<i>Schnucks Kirkwood-Manchester & Woodlawn</i>)..	Time Slots
Sat	7	4th Degree Exemplification.....	10:00 am
Sat-Sun	7-8	DD Drive-Tootsie Roll Sales (<i>St Gerard Majella</i>).....	All Masses
Sun	8	St Peter Church Outdoor Mass & Liturgical Ministry Fair.....	10:00 am
Mon	9	COLUMBUS DAY	
Wed	11	Assembly 565 - 4th Degree Meeting.....	7:30 pm
Thur	12	Business Meeting (6:30pm - Social, 7:10pm - Rosary).....	7:30 pm
Sat-Sun	14-15	DD Drive-Tootsie Roll Sales (<i>St Peter</i>).....	All Masses
Sat-Sun	21-22	Man-the-Can for Sts Teresa & Bridget Food Pantry (<i>St Peter</i>).....	All Masses
Mon	24	St Louis Chapter Meeting.....	7:00 pm
Thur	26	Wine Tasting - Developmental Disabilities Fundraiser (<i>Grapevine Wines</i>)..	6:00 pm
Sun	29	Fifth Sunday Mass at TBD (Rosary after Mass)	TBD

September Knight Birthdays

2 William Boyle
12 Keith Beardslee
14 Rev David Skillman
15 Kenneth Boyd
18 Dan Recklein
30 William Euwer



CORRECTIONS REQUESTED

Spot an error? Your big day missing? Please email corrections to kofc2117editor@gmail.com

Knight of the Month

At the August business meeting, **GK Keith Beardslee** announced that Brother Knight **Leon Goldstein** was named Knight of the Month for his exemplary demonstration of compassion and service.

Leon, and his wife Susan, offered to take a parishioner to an outpatient surgery appointment. Upon arrival, there was a 4-to-5-hour delay in the parishioner receiving treatment. Rather than leave the parishioner there, Leon patiently waited all day at the hospital and then assisted the parishioner during the recovery period.

The Knights of Columbus were begun by Fr McGivney specifically to tend to parish families in need. Leon's generous actions are an example of just what Fr McGivney envisioned.

Congratulations to our worthy Knight of the Month.

Newest Brother Knight

On August 27 Council 2117 welcomed our third new member of the fraternal year, Brother **Matthew Eversole**.

Mathew is a lifelong St Louis resident, growing up attending St Norbert (Florissant) and Duchesne High School (St Charles). He currently works as a teacher and mentors at-risk teenagers.

Reach out to Mathew when you see him and welcome him to our Council.

On the Lookout for New Brother Knights

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**.

With the admission of our third new member since July 1, our Council is continuing to reach out to Catholic gentlemen to join us in our efforts supporting our parishes and community.

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.

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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)
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Greentree Beer Booth Fundraiser Sept 16 – SIGN UP NOW!

The 2023 Greentree Festival runs Sept 15-17
at Kirkwood Park.

KIRKWOOD GREENTREE FESTIVAL

The Knights of Columbus are one of six community service organizations that sell beer at the festival and share the net profits. Council 2117 will again man the busiest beer booth the entire day on Sat Sept 16.

This event is one of the Council's largest income sources every year. Greentree 2022 generated \$7,900 for Council 2117 (\$6,400 of profit shared from the organizers plus \$1,500 in tips from patrons).



Dan Koskovich, Zach Bevins, and GK Keith Beardslee will be leading the 2023 beer booth efforts. The event runs from 10:00am to 7:00pm and we need volunteers to fill 24 two-hour shifts during the day with cashiers, beer tappers and counter servers and that is where you come in!

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit our Event Sign Up site and volunteer for one (or more!) time slots. This is a fun event where you can meet and work alongside your Brother Knights while making a great impression on our local community. No special skills are required, just bring your enthusiasm and be ready for a busy day and a good time.

For questions or help signing up, contact Dan Koskovich by email at kofc2117editor@gmail.com or call 310-968-0516.

St Gerard Majella Fallfest Sept 23 – Volunteer Opportunity



The annual St Gerard Majella Fallfest will be taking place Sat Sept 23 from 10am to 10pm.

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 with 2-hour shifts throughout the day.

Sign-ups will begin soon at www.sgmparish.org. As the event approaches, please check for the volunteer sign up page and pick your slot!

We especially encourage St Gerard Majella Knights to step up and help in their home parish.

Tootsie Roll Drive Coming in October

The Knights of Columbus Developmental Disabilities Tootsie Roll Drive will be back in October.

With collecting on street corners no longer permitted, we are now able to collect at the Kirkwood Schnucks (Manchester & Woodlawn) on consecutive Friday/Saturdays with shifts from 9am to 5pm.

In addition to collecting at our parishes, there will be a large need for volunteers. The crowded October calendar means we are yet to finalize all the dates, so watch for messages during September for sign-up opportunities and please plan to join the effort whenever you can.



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.



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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.

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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2023/24 - Roster of Council Officers

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