



# DISTRICT DEPUTY *Reminder*

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - 1 COLUMBUS PLAZA, NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Ensure that each grand knight receives the new *Grand Knight Guide* (#5085).
- There is a new *District Deputy Guide* (#5087) on the CD that you will receive at your jurisdiction's mid-year meeting.
- Are each of the councils in your district current with Supreme Council assessments?
- Did each council participate in the Orderwide Church drive and First Degree week?
- Did each council conduct a charitable service program in October?
- If a council was inactive during October, now is the time to meet with the council's leadership.
- If you have any questions during your term, please send an e-mail to [dd@kofc.org](mailto:dd@kofc.org).

## NEW GRAND KNIGHT GUIDE

**A** new *Grand Knight's Guide* (#5085) will be mailed to each council. This guide replaces and supersedes all previously published Grand Knight Handbooks and documentation. This new guide is designed to assist grand knights with their leadership skills and to more effectively guide their council's growth in charitable outreach and membership. This guide should be used in conjunction with the new *Knights of Columbus Leadership Resources* booklet and the new Fraternal Training Portal—both of these new resources will be released shortly.

Encourage each grand knight to review the new guide and begin to implement the 10 Keys for Success contained therein.

## NEW DISTRICT DEPUTY GUIDE

**T**he new *District Deputy's Guide* (#5087) will be distributed to you at your jurisdiction's mid-year meeting via CD. This new guide replaces and supersedes all previously published District Deputy Handbooks and documentation. It is designed to assist you in becoming a more effective fraternal leader, enabling you to grow your district in both charitable outreach and membership. This guide should be used in conjunction with the new *Knights of Columbus Leadership Resources* booklet and the new Fraternal Training Portal—both of these new resources will be released shortly.

## KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

**T**he Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest allows young people to engage their creative talents while remembering the true meaning of Christmas. The contest is open to young people ages 5-14 and divided into three age groups. Encourage councils in your district to conduct this program as a way to introduce the Knights of Columbus to the fathers of contestants who may be potential candidates for membership. For additional information on the contest or to order the material for the contest, visit [knightsgear.com](http://knightsgear.com), [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms) or call 203-752-4016.

## SPREAD THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

**C**ouncils are invited to help spread the light of Christ on Dec. 2 by lighting a Nativity scene and/or Christmas tree at 8 p.m. local time. If councils have not participated in this program in the past, this is the year to start a great tradition and help spread the joyful tidings of Christmas with brother Knights, family and friends.

## COATS FOR KIDS

**W**inter is coming and many children face the prospect of going without a warm coat. Providing kids with warm coats is the goal of the Coats for Kids program. Councils that fulfill all of the requirements of this "featured program" — purchasing and distributing at least eight cases of coats — will fulfill all four requirements of the Youth Activity category for the Columbian Award.

Local councils can purchase high-quality, brand-new winter coats for boys and girls, in a variety of colors, styles and sizes, through [Knightsgear.com](http://Knightsgear.com). Available in boxes of 12 for \$220 (including shipping) in the U.S., and \$245 (including shipping) for orders outside of the U.S., these coats can make all the difference to children in our communities.

The *Coats for Kids Order Form* (#5029) can be found on the Knights of Columbus website, [kofc.org/forms](http://kofc.org/forms).

For additional information on the program, contact Robert Ennis by email, [robert.ennis@kofc.org](mailto:robert.ennis@kofc.org) or call 203-752-4625.

## 2015 MARCH FOR LIFE

**E**ncourage your councils to “Defend Life” by sponsoring a bus or subsidizing students to attend the 2015 March for Life on Thursday, January 22, 2015 in Washington, D.C. The annual March for Life is the world’s largest pro-life event and hundreds of thousands are expected to attend.

In addition to attending the March for Life, depending on where they live, Knights could plan to attend the Walk for Life – West Coast in San Francisco on Saturday, January 24, 2015; marches in cities throughout the Philippines during the month of March; the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 14; or a similar event in their own jurisdiction’s state or provincial capitol.

Since the March for Life is a “Featured Program” in the Culture of Life Activities category, a council involving 100 or more Knights, family members and parishioners in the March for Life or in a similar national, state/provincial or local march or walk for life during the fraternal year, will fulfill all of the requirements for the Culture of Life Activities category of the *Columbian Award*.

To order “Defend Life” signs to carry in the March, email your name, address, council number, telephone number, and the specific number of signs needed (in English, French or Spanish), to [william.obrien@kofc.org](mailto:william.obrien@kofc.org).

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## BLACK FRIDAY VOLUNTEER PROJECTS

**S**ince 2013, Connecticut Knights have set aside the day after Thanksgiving to be one of charity. While many people were shopping on Black Friday, these brother Knights distributed new coats to over 2,000 children. Let us follow their witness to the power of charity and help our communities turn the most popular shopping day of the year into one of charity and giving.

If councils have yet to plan a Black Friday volunteer project, those wishing to run a Coats for Kids program should place their order now to guarantee having coats on hand by wintertime (see related article above). Councils in warm weather climates may wish to substitute this with an outreach to food banks, a clothing drive, or by donating funds to purchase coats for children in colder climates.

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## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

**W**ith the goal of introducing the faith in America, Franciscan missionaries developed celebrations in honor of Advent and Christmas. Known as “Posada,” these celebrations continue to be popular throughout Latin America and the southwestern United States even today.

No matter where you’re located, your council can take part in this celebration. For ideas on how to adapt this tradition in your own community, councils can turn to the booklet *An Advent & Christmas Celebration* (#9898). Through this booklet, the Order hopes to bring rich traditions to all Knights and their families through a sharing of cultural celebrations of the birth of our Savior.

This booklet provides all the information needed to conduct a Christmas celebration with your family and your Knights of Columbus council. Councils may wish to discuss with their pastor the possibility of making this a parish program. Copies of the booklet can be ordered online by visiting, [Knightsgear.com](http://Knightsgear.com), or by mailing or faxing a *Requisition Form* (#1) to the Supreme Council Supply Department.

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## ENSURE COUNCILS EARN THE STAR COUNCIL AWARD

**E**nsure that councils in your district are on track to earn the Star Council Award by:

- Meeting or exceeding their membership and insurance quotas
- Conducting enough charitable programs to earn the *Columbian Award Application* (#SP-7)
- Submitting the *Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity* (#1728) and *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365)

# NEW COUNCILS AND CIRCLES INSTITUTED LAST MONTH

<b>District</b>	<b>DD Name</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Council #</b>	<b>Location</b>
8	Eric Oulette	Rhode Island	16053	Barrington
14	Edward Waldschmidt	Indiana	16065	Fort Wayne
15	Gerald Dreher	Colorado	16052	Lakewood
21	Donald Metzler	New York	16059	South Valley Stream
25	Wladyslaw Olesiak	British Columbia	16076	Vancouver
29	Ronald Szurgot	Pennsylvania	16066	West Reading
31	Conrad Greer, Jr.	Arizona	16061	Univ. of AZ - Tucson
38	Steve Gawron	Illinois	16062	Downers Grove
40	Thomas P. Kurtek	Pennsylvania	16072	Ringtown/Shepton
47	James A. Nardone	Pennsylvania	16071	Pittston
49	Victor Quesnot	Texas	16063	San Antonio
59	Arturo Fuentes	Pennsylvania	16069	Hanover
102	Kurt Sehnert	Texas	16078	Emory
147	Arthur Barros	California	16073	El Centro
191	Eduardo Benavidez	Texas	16074	Laredo
C91	Gil F. Nuesca	Mindanao	16056	Takepan, Pikit, N. Cotabato
D09	Renato D. Sanchez	Mindanao	16049	U.M. Matina, Matina Davao City
D11	Antonio B. Partoza, Jr.	Mindanao	16051	Camus Ext. Davao City
M27	Randy C. Dela Cerna	Mindanao	16060	ACLCL College- Valencia Bukidnon
M78	Reynaldo Divinagracia	Mindanao	16070	Brgy. Lamba, Banga, S. Cotabato
V101	Alejandrino L. Yman	Visayas	16055	Brgy, San Antonio, Basey, W. Samar
V107	Manuel R. Bagaindoc	Visayas	16067	Brgy. Bugas, Borongan, E. Samar
V137	Albert Regie Siedel	Visayas	16077	Brgy., Casey, Anini-Y, Antique
V154	Ernesto B. Camong	Visayas	16057	Bagacay, San Dionisio, Iloilo
V156	Jose T. Noel Alcubilla	Visayas	16068	Brgy. Canas, San Dionisio, Iloilo
V161	Antonio A. Espida, Jr.	Visayas	16054	Balit Mambusao, Capiz
V19	Dioscoro C. Antipala	Visayas	16050	Pili, Madridejos, Cebu
V36	Gerry L. Oling	Visayas	16075	Pamplona, Neg. Oriental
V54	Marcelo R. Pantollana	Visayas	16058	Tabuan, Garcia Hernandez, Bohol
V54	Marcelo R. Pantollana	Visayas	16064	BIT-IC College, Poblacion Jagna, Bohol
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2	N/A	Iowa	5755	Granville
9	CHARLES HEIM SR	Mississippi	3753	Bay Saint Louis
68	PATRICK RUSSEK	Texas	5754	Katy
B35	FELIPE MENDOZA	Luzon	1573	Orion
M46	SALVADOR ALTRE	Luzon	5756	Manila