



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MASSACHUSETTS STATE COUNCIL

### USE COUNCIL ACTIVITIES AS A RECRUITMENT TOOL

#### *Church, Council, Community, Family, Culture of Life & Youth*

Knights of Columbus Councils throughout the jurisdiction of Massachusetts are involved in activities in one or more, or all of the areas listed above. Each Council may have a special area that they are more involved in than the others.

These activities vary from council to council examples being Pancake Breakfasts, Baby Showers, Children's Easter Egg Hunts, Children's Christmas Party's, Summer Family Picnic's, Youth Basketball Free Throw Competition's, Halloween Costume Party's, and Charity drives just to name a few. As a result of the Charity Drive, grants can be awarded to children under the age of twenty (20) with disabilities needing hearing aids, wheel chair ramps, Van conversions for wheel chair lifts, etc.

Why not advertise these activities.

When holding a recruitment drive you should inform the prospective member of what your council does on an ongoing basis. He may see something that catches his eye that he would like to get involved in with thus increasing your chances of recruitment. In addition to asking him what he could do if he becomes a member show him what you do as a council.

Use your Council letterhead to list all the activities your council has done in the past, and are doing in the future. Make sure you list the Council Membership Director's telephone number as well as the Council telephone number. Don't forget to attach a Form 100.

*If you have a program, they will come.*

An example of this is included in this handbook.



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**EXAMPLE**

Dear Prospective Member:

St. Francis Xavier Council is a very active Council that has been involved in various activities in areas including the Church, Community, Council, Culture of Life, Family, & Youth for over 40 years.

Our Fraternal year starts July 1<sup>st</sup> and ends June 30<sup>th</sup>. In August we hold a Family Picnic for all our members and families. Other activities and social events throughout the year are Installation of Council Officers in September, Communion Breakfasts, Baby Shower for The Friends of the Unborn, Annual Tootsie Roll Charity Drive which benefits children with disabilities, Halloween Party, Children's and Adult Christmas Parties. New Year's Eve Dance, Valentines Day Social, Polish Night Social, and Country Western Night just to name a few. For our senior citizen's we have an Old Timers Bingo where area nursing homes transport to our council residents for an afternoon of fun and games. Our function hall, which is available for rent, can hold up to 300 people, and is handicap accessible. Members can rent the hall at a discounted rate.

In May we award a scholarship to a Weymouth High School Senior on behalf of our deceased members. We also have an essay contest to award scholarships to a member's child or grandchild entering college.

All year long we have Bingo and the profit's get handed out to various Weymouth community organizations such as Weymouth Youth Services, Weymouth Youth Basketball, Babe Ruth Baseball, and Weymouth area Girl Scouts, etc.

If you would like to get involved and join our Family, fill out the attached membership form and contact -

Joe Knight – Membership Director  
Tel: 781.555.5555



## COUNCIL ACTIVITIES RECRUITMENT TOOL WORKSHEET

Use this worksheet to list all the Program Activities your Council has held in the past and present fraternal years as well as what your council may be planning to do in the future. From this list you can put together a handout on Council letterhead that you can distribute at membership drives or other events when recruiting new members. If you have submitted a Columbian Award entry use that form as a guide listing all that your council has done in the six (6) program areas.

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