

MAINE STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Blessed Michael J. McGivney, Founder Anthony S Alfiero Maine State Community Director

Dear Brothers,

Welcome to this summer meeting 2023, training for District Deputies. My name is Anthony Alfiero, State Community Director and Maine State Chairman for the TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE (aka Intellectual Disabilities Drive). For you Brothers here for the first time, welcome. My goal is to get the drive back to over \$100,000 raised. Oh, by the way, it's the Maine State Councils' largest fundraiser.

All councils should do a Tootsie roll drive, at least in your Church, and here's how.

A brother usually has an Disabilities Drive apron on and gives out tootsie rolls to people, and people give (paper)money mostly. All money raised is for a recipient with special needs, not for a local food pantry or cancer center. You could also solicit businesses for donations, in order to add to your total.

On the <u>MAINEKNIGHTS.COM</u> website you will find 2 sheets you must use to mail your money. One sheet is for who in your council gets the check, usually the GK, and the other sheet is who the State Treasurer makes the check out to.

Example: Council #1234 orders 5 cases of tootsie and collects \$1000, and your council wants to give money to Maine State Lobster dip team, which all money raised goes to Maine Special Olympics. You mail \$1000 in and I deduct \$100 for Tootsie rolls, and you receive a check from the State Treasurer for \$720 in name of the Maine K of C Lobster dip team.

You get 80% back after expenses and the remaining 20% State Officers give out at their budget meeting in March.

NEXT, OTHER IDEAS FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS

COATS FOR KIDS- We have a new program from Supreme this year where you can BOGO, more details to follow...

HELPING HANDS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY GLOBAL WHEELCHAIR MIOSSION CATHOLIC ESSAY CONTEST - Winners mailed to me by December 20 FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP SOCCER CHALLENGE HOCKEY CHALLENGE BLOOD DRIVES FOOD PANTRY DRIVES

IF YOU GET YOUR COUNCILS TO DO 4 OF THESE, THEY ARE ON THE WAY TO BECOMING A STAR COUNCIL!!)

Please do your FAITH IN ACTION REPORTS, both to Supreme (11784) and the State (website). INVITE STATE STAFF AND STATE OFFICERS TO YOUR DISTRICT MEETINGS. HOLD DEGREES AND INVITE US. I WANT TO HELP YOU ALL BECOME STAR DISTRICTS! Any Questions you can email me at anthonyalfiero@icloud or call me at 207-650-5303. THANK YOU! VIVAT JESUS!!