



New Member Orientation and Mentoring Worksheet

In order for a new member to assimilate into the council, he must become connected to the other council members and become aware of the many programs that are available to them within the council.

The Shining Armor Award program is a great tool for getting a new member active in your council from the moment he takes his First Degree. One other way to ensure that a new member gets started off on the right foot within the council is to assign him a mentor for his first year of membership, this person can be his proposer or a Knight that the new member knows.

Another effective orientation tool is a checklist for a new member to use that outlines the many opportunities for gaining knowledge about the Knights of Columbus and how to become active in council programs. The check list found below should be delivered to the new member by his mentor soon after the First Degree. The mentor Knight should offer assistance to the new member in completing the checklist.

Welcome to the Knights of Columbus

Name: _____

Brother _____ has been assigned to be your mentor; he will answer your questions about council procedures, meeting dates and times and help you to get the most out of your Knights of Columbus membership. Completion of the items listed below within six months will greatly expand your vision about opportunities for service through your membership.

Date Completed

1. Read two or more of the following
(Ask your mentor how to obtain copies of each)
 - Columbia Magazine..... _____
 - Parish Priest..... _____
 - These Men They Call Knights..... _____
 - By Their Works..... _____
 - The Surge with . . . Service Manual..... _____
 - Did You Know..... _____
2. Watch *Experience of a Lifetime* Video..... _____
3. Explore WWW.KOFC.ORG..... _____
4. Attend the following:
 - A council service project of interest to you..... _____
 - A service project committee meeting..... _____
 - A council social with your family..... _____
 - Mass with the council members..... _____
5. Complete one or more of the following tasks:
 - Actively assist in a service project..... _____
 - Interact during a council meeting..... _____

Please submit this completed form to your mentor before your six month anniversary

