

How to find the Raffle Chairman

Being the Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Financial Secretary, or Membership Chairman are important positions for success of the council. When the Raffle Chairman moves into one of these positions, find a new Raffle Chairman.

Here are some suggestions to find a Raffle Chairman.

Look for someone who has marketing, management, sales, teacher, coaching or other experience that would qualify him to do a good job with the raffle.

- 1. Ask your officers. Give them a list of members and ask each of them to recommend two or three Brothers that they think would do a good job. They might know someone that has previous experience or skills that would make them a good Raffle Chairman. Fourteen pairs of eyes are better than two.**
- 2. Put a “Wanted Notice” in your newsletter or on the web site or other social media.**
3. Probably the most popular way is to ask at the council meeting if anyone would like to be the Raffle Chairman. **This is not the way to find the best person for the job.** The danger is that someone who cannot handle the job volunteers. Be ready to tell the members that “we will consider all volunteers.”
4. Ask the outgoing Raffle Chairman if there is anyone that expressed an interest or helped him in the past that he could recommend especially if he was successful.
5. If you socialize with Brother Knights such as golf, bowl, play cards, dine out, ask one of them to help the council as the Raffle Chairman. Especially if they would make a good chairman.
6. Don't be afraid of asking a newer council member. That is a good way to give someone a working knowledge of the Knights and allow him to grow in an active leadership position.
7. If you know a person in the Parish that would make a good Raffle Chairman, recruit him to join the Knights then ask him to be the Raffle Chairman.
8. Once you get a few names, **privately ask them** if they would help the council by taking this very important position. This give you a change to listen to him and overcome his reasons if he says ‘No’ at first. Make him say “No” three times.
9. When possible train an Assistant, who can take over in the future. Ask the Raffle Chairman to find an assistant as part of his duties.

When you find a Brother to take the Raffle Chairman, support him and allow him to set the goal, name a charity and plan the campaign. **Hint: The Raffle Chair will work harder if he sets the goal and picks the charity.** Then support him. Suggest he presents the plan to the leaders [business meeting] and the council meeting. Raffle Chairman have shared with me that they take the job then the GK sets the goal, and charity or the members “beat him up” on the details at the council meeting when they debate the charity, goal, and details of the program. Give him a few minutes at each meeting to update the council on the progress.

If the new RC needs help suggest he contact Dennis Sullivan, Raffle Director 480.201.5556 or Richard Armanini 480.818.1774 Co-Director. Together we have 20 years of council and state leadership with the State Charity Raffle.