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Ribless Ribfest 1.0

What a difference a year has made. One year ago, we were planning for Ribfest 10.0. How many meals do we need to serve, how will the event work in the PAC? Flash forward one year and we are wearing masks, keeping 6' apart when we venture out in public and having our groceries delivered to our cars.

The upcoming school year will be full of unknowns. It will be a brand-new experience for all. What will not be a new experience is our students and teachers need for technology. Our Knights of Columbus Council 14995 has donated over \$80,000 to the St Charles school to be earmarked for technology purchases, laptops for the teachers and Chrome Books for the students. The monies for these purchases came from the generous VIP sponsors at our annual Ribfest.

The current state of the COVID 19 crisis has caused our Council to cancel the Ribfest for this year. There will be no rib dinners, fellowship, horse races or reverse raffle. The virus has canceled our largest fundraiser in its traditional form. What it has not canceled is the technology needs of our students and teachers. Our Council has set a goal of raising the funds to purchase 60 Chrome Books for the St. Charles students by October 15th.

Where there is a will there is a way. This year we are pivoting and are asking our supporters to be a sponsor of our Ribless Ribfest. Consider it the no calorie fundraiser where the dollars donated by the Platinum, Gold and Silver Sponsors will go to support the technology purchases at St. Charles School and the monies from the sale of the Bronze level will fund the many other charitable donations that our Council makes each year.

A Platinum sponsorship will purchase a complete Chrome Book including warranty and case for a St. Charles student. A Gold sponsorship will purchase a Chrome Book, the Silver sponsorship will purchase the case and warranty for a Chrome Book. The Bronze sponsorship will support the many charitable works of our Knights of Columbus council. Sponsorship forms are available at kofc14995.org, in the Spur and from a K of C council member.

On behalf of St. Charles school and K of C Council 14995 we appreciate your past, present, and future support of our St. Charles School and Parish community, and we look forward to serving you rib dinners in the future.

Ribless Ribfest 1.0 Committee
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