

Brother Barnabas McDonald
Founder – Columbian Squires



Knights of Columbus

Squires Circle 2476

Sponsored by

**Spalding Council
427**

Peoria IL



3rd Degree - Faith, Hope & Charity



4th Degree - Patriotism



Columbian Squires

Knights of Columbus Emblems



3rd Degree



4th Degree



Columbian Squires

What are the Squires?

The Columbian Squires, official youth organization of the Knights of Columbus

It is a leadership program of young Catholic boys ages 10 – 18.

The Squires is designed to develop young men as leaders who understand their Catholic religion, who have a strong commitment to the Church and who are ready, willing and capable of patterning their lives after the Youth Christ.



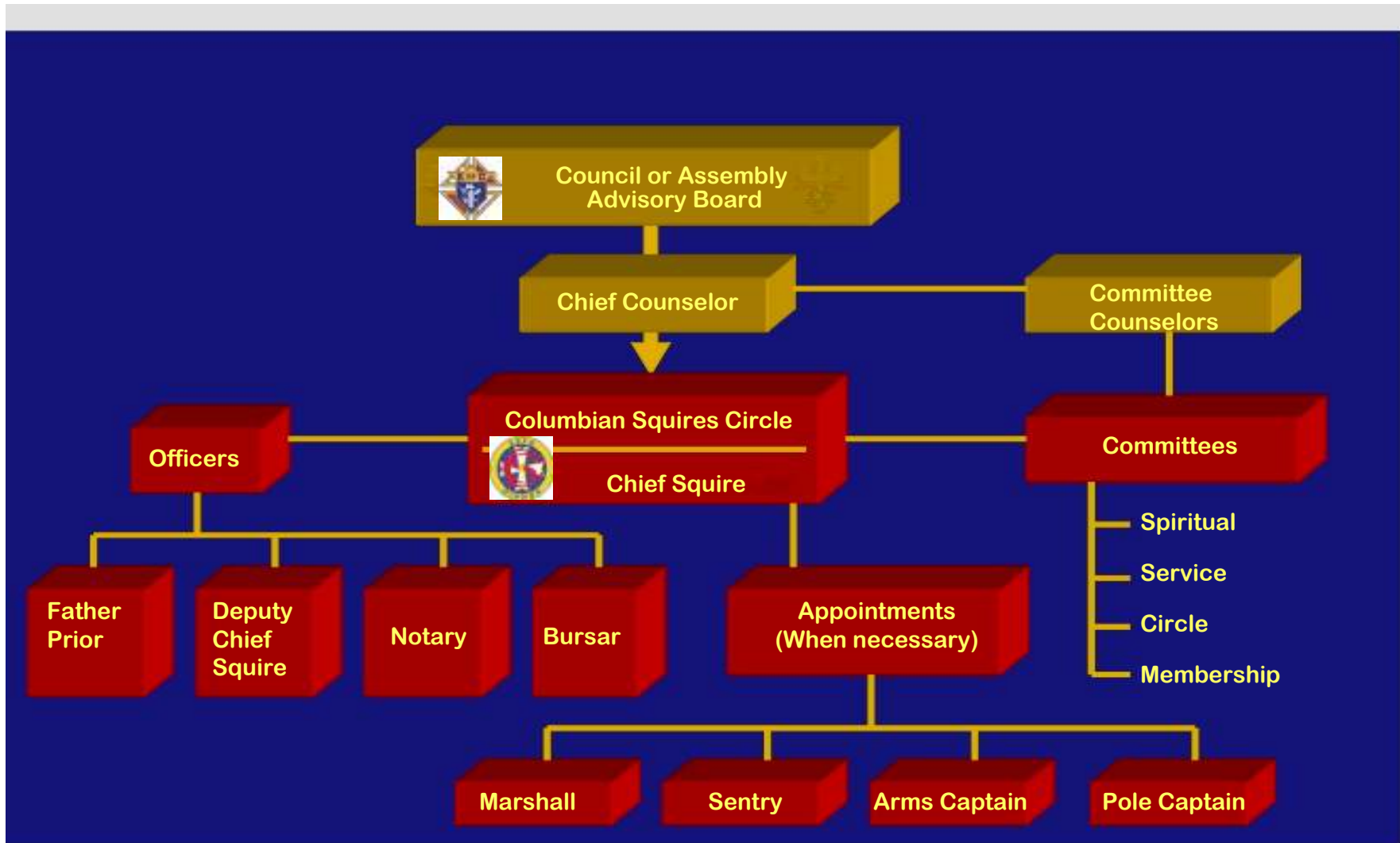
How are they organized?

Sponsored by a council or assembly who provide counselors, but it

Is run by and for young men who
Conduct their own meetings
Invest their own members
Set their Circles's Agenda
Implement their program of
Activites



Squires Organizational Chart



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Why Join the Squires?

Squires have fun

They meet new friends

They travel

They play sports

They socialize



Why Join the Squires?

Squires are serious-minded, too

They are involved in promoting vocations
Marching in defense of unborn
Feeding the hungry
Clothing the poor
Supporting Special Olympics
Promoting Catholic education
and countless other activities



So what are the Squires?

The Squires circle is an

Athletic team

A youth group

A social club

A cultural and civic improvement association

A management training course

A civil rights organization and

A spritual development program

all rolled into one



What Makes the Squires Different?

It is a Catholic organization that

Builds character

Develops leadership!



Columbian Squires are the Knights of our Future



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Squire Advancement Program

Five Levels of Advancement

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Shield Bearer

Swordsman

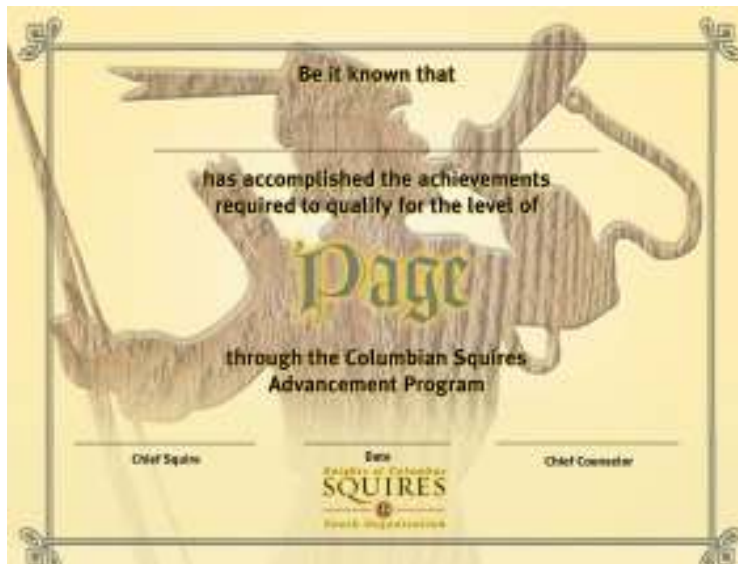
Lancer

Squire of the Body of Christ

Four Categories of Activities Per Advancement Level

- Home and Family
- Squires and Knights
- Community and Country
- Church

Page Advancement



Home and Family

- Family cultural outing

Squires and Knights

- Know Squires Motto

Community and Country

- Demonstrate proper flag folding

Church

- Receive Sacrament of Reconciliation

Shield Bearer Advancement

Home and Family

- Outing with Grandparents

Squires and Knights

- Recruit a member

Community and Country

- Attend a government meeting

Church

- Attend Mass with your circle



Swordsman Advancement



Home and Family

- Help parent with household project

Squires and Knights

- Serve on your circle's ceremonial team

Community and Country

- Volunteer in a local soup kitchen

Church

- Serve as an altar boy

Lancer Advancement

Home and Family

- Create a video family history

Squires and Knights

- Attend a Fourth Degree Honor Guard Event

Community and Country

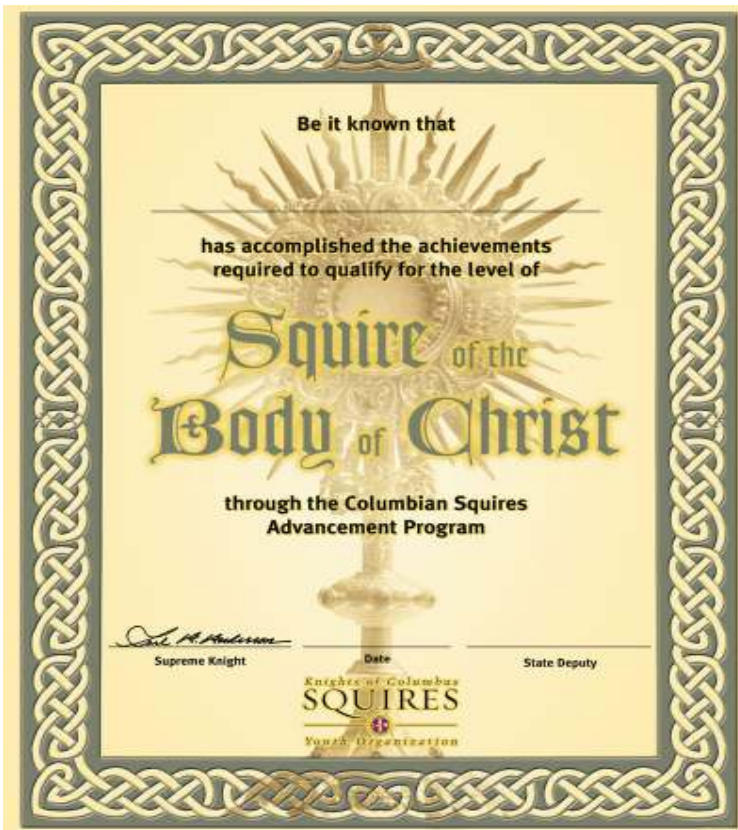
- Tour local government building

Church

- Receive the Sacrament of Confirmation



Squire of the Body of Christ Advancement



Home and Family

- Discuss important Church issues with your parents, priest or counselor

Squires and Knights

- Attend your jurisdiction's state circle convention

Community and Country

- If 18 years old, register to vote

Church

- Attend World Youth Day

Recognition

- **A certificate and a name badge will be given to the Squire to signify his level of advancement**
- **Squires will be presented certificates and name badges at periodic circle recognition ceremonies**
- **Recognition ceremonies should be open to parents and siblings to provide support and encouragement**

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