



UCT inAction

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Alliance, Ohio Council 261 wins UCT Photo Contest!

Congrats to UCT's Alliance, Ohio Council 261 for winning the July-September quarter of our UCT Photo Contest!

The photo of a young golfer getting ready to tee off in the 25th Annual Alliance Junior Golf Tournament sponsored by Council 261 met all of the judge's requirements - and earned the council a \$500 prize! Photos for the October-December quarter are being accepted through Oct. 31.



Some quick photo tips to keep in mind

If you're planning to submit photos for October-December, here are some quick tips for taking attention-getting, contest winning photos:

- **You may submit up to 5 photos per quarter. Try to make them photos of different volunteer activities or events, if possible.**
- **Limit group shots to 5 people or less. Get good, clear photos of members volunteering or of individuals benefiting from your council's sponsorship. Make sure to take photos from the front, not the back. People want to see faces, not backsides!**
- **Whenever possible, show that the activity "belongs" to your council. Include a UCT banner or show volunteers wearing UCT apparel in the shots you take. This is a great way to increase UCT brand awareness.**
- **If your photos are of an event your council has sponsored, make sure they're shots of the people you're working with and/or for.**

For more tips, take a look at the photo contest flyer on the home page of our website at [UCT.org](http://uct.org).

UCT Kaye Trainer International Capital Campaign update



October is Celebration Month for the capital campaign, as several ASHA teams will receive Kaye Trainers – thanks to the generosity of UCT members and councils! Teams include the Colorado Ice Wizards in Lafayette, Colo., the Washington Ice Dogs in Baltimore, Md., and the Black Swamp Ice Frogs in Bowling Green, Ohio. Stay tuned for photos and information of these celebrations coming soon!

4th annual UCT Winter Hockey Festival coming up!

We're excited about the 4th annual UCT Winter Hockey Festival, which will take place Jan. 17-18, 2015, at The Ice Station in Valencia, Calif.



We're expecting more than 10 teams from across North America to participate in this year's festival – and we actually have our first Canadian team, from Nanaimo, already signed up!

As you know, hosting an ice hockey festival means renting ice time and that's not inexpensive. You and your council can help by becoming festival sponsors!

Just choose the sponsorship level that works for you and/or your council and send your donation to the home office by Dec. 1. Sponsors will be recognized in the official 2015 UCT Winter Hockey

Festival program and during the festival. Sponsorship levels include:

- \$500 - Center Ice Sponsor
- \$350 - Red Line Sponsor
- \$200 - Blue Line Sponsor
- \$100 - Penalty Box Sponsor

Send your contribution by Dec. 1, 2014, to: UCT, c/o Sandy Shafer, 1801 Watermark Dr., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Contact Sandy at sshafer@uct.org or at 800.848.0123, Ext. 146, with any questions.

Marc Malin - a member you should know!

Marc Malin is a UCT agent and president and primary motivator of UCT's alternative Veteran's Council 2001 in Scottsdale, Ariz.

The council was formed in September 2012 under Marc's direction and is one of the first alternative UCT local councils to focus on one particular cause – in this case, helping veterans.

Marc has been working through existing local veterans organizations for years to help provide shelter and household goods for veterans' families entering the shelter system. He has successfully motivated Council 2001 members to take on this project – with a special emphasis on helping homeless female vets with children.

In early 2014, in fact, Marc's agency,

General Agent Center, and Council 2001 joined forces to donate \$10,000 to Veterans First to help support affordable housing programs for homeless vets. Thanks in no small part to their efforts, Phoenix was recognized as the first city in the U.S. to end homelessness for veterans.



No stranger to volunteering, Marc is a member of the U.S. Combat Veterans Motorcycle Club, vice commander of his local VFW post, captain of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Posse, and a member of the U.S. Marshall's Posse. He has served several terms as both president and vice president of the Arizona Special Forces Association and is a Member of the Year of the association's Chapter XXII.