The Pawnee Knights of Columbus is ready to concentrate on the fun part of giving.

The club will be able to focus more on that effort now that it has established the **Pawnee Knights of Columbus Endowment Fund** through the Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln.

“We're all volunteers, we have lives, careers and families and the last thing we want to do after coming home is make sure we have the right investment, right forms filled out, paid the right taxes,” said Greg DeBrun, who is Grand Knight of the Pawnee club. “We're pretty happy about it.”

The fund’s creation will help focus the club’s activities to ensure it continues to strive to help area families in need, which is the goal of all Knights of Columbus chapters.

The Pawnee Knights of Columbus had been fulfilling that goal in recent years through events like the annual Tootsie Roll sale. But the fund will spur more aid for area families.

“We needed to change and come up with a way that we can regularly provide financial assistance to needy families,” DeBrun said. “We needed a way to make sure we could do that. We automatically set aside 10-percent of any money we make at all of our events”

The Pawnee Knights of Columbus focus their efforts on the Pawnee area; however it does provide some assistance to Springfield charities, including Brother James Court.

Pawnee Knight of Columbus volunteer at a 2008 Habitat for Humanity build site in Pawnee.