Director and chairman reports

(alphabetical order)

2021 IDAHO STATE CONVENTION COMMUNITY DIRECTOR REPORT Max B. Nuxoll, Community Director

Worthy State Deputy,

The Faith in Action Community Activities program includes Coats for Kids, Global Wheel Chair Mission, Habitat for Humanity, Disaster Preparedness, Leave No Neighbor Behind, and Helping Hands. Over 42% (18 of 42) of the councils reported their Community Activities. Of the councils that reported 3 reported no activities due to COVID and they were just now starting up and beginning to meet again. The good news is the councils who reported their activities were very busy!

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES V	VORKSHEE	Complete	d and upc	oming for Columbian year 2020-2021*		
ACTIVITY	Quantity	Quantity	•			
	Completed	Planned		Notes		
Global Wheel Chair	2	1	\$700	contribution		
0 - 4- (1/1-1-	40		4404	Coats and/or \$ to state		
Coats for Kids	13		1181	Coats and/or \$ to state		
Habitat for Humanity	1		\$1,000	contribution		
Helping Hands	7	2		wheel chair ramps & pathway;fund raisers;rakethon;church maintainenance;scholarship;safe&sober graduation;monetary donations; responded to agencies & families		
Disaster Preparedness	1			safety plan for church		
Leave No Neighbor Behi	384	47	137471	+lbs food; monetary & time donations; calling brother KCs; foodbank; Christmas tree sales; blood drives		
Council #s Reporting						
	54; 4058; 458	35; 12881; 1	0581; 102	4;11548; 12172; 1416; 11623; 12854;		
3703; 3085; 8283						
	TOTAL Reporting: 18					
*Note: Youth Activities not in	cluded You	th Activity D	irector rer	outing separately		

Coats for Kids: Councils reported 1181 coats handed out.

<u>Global Wheel Chair Mission:</u> Two councils reported contributions totaling \$700 plus one of them is planning another donation.

<u>Habitat for Humanity:</u> One council reported a \$1000 contribution.

<u>Helping Hands:</u> There was a lot of effort put into this category. Wheel chair ramps and pathways being constructed; fund raisers conducted to support helping hands activities; church maintenance activities; and similar actions.

<u>Disaster Preparedness:</u> One council prepared a safety plan for the parish.

<u>Leave No Neighbor Behind:</u> The biggest impact by councils was made in this category. Over 137,000 pounds of food was collected, transported, donated, and handed out in over 431 completed or planned events. In addition, there were untold amounts of funds raised to donate to food banks for purchasing food. There was at least one blood drive conducted and planned. Brother Knights were called monthly.

Truly brother Knights in our state looked and saw Jesus in their neighbors and fed the hungry!

Request this report be approved and included in the minutes of the state convention.

Vivat Jesu, Max Nuxoll Community Director

2021 IDAHO STATE CONVENTION FAITH DIRECTOR REPORT Nicholas E. Theisen

Worthy State Officers, State Directors, and worthy Knights of Columbus all:

This is the report for the 2020 - 2021 fiscal year for the Idaho State Faith Director role. I flew into the Summer meeting where much was discussed on programs and what the District Deputies needed to do. In December via Zoom did the State midyear meeting, where I talked some on what Faith Programs are out there and any suggestions as well.

Through the year I posted many articles through the Idaho State newsletter. 1st article was on the Columbian Award and what was suggested program to count for 2 lines on the form. Plus, other ideas that I thought up or the state directors and officers suggested to me during the Summer meeting. I also posted in other newspaper articles on pictures or rosary ideas to do with a group of people.

Lastly, I shared with nearby councils what needed to be done for the Columbian Award, via email.

This is my report for the Faith Director.

Vivat Jesus! Nicholas E. Theisen, FDD, PGK, PFN 2020 - 2021 State Faith Director

State Family Director Report - Nick Pettinger

Worthy State Deputy and Brother Knights, my name is Nick Pettinger and I am the State Family Director for the Idaho Knights of Columbus.

The fraternal year started off with a Food for Families challenge to all the councils. The challenge was to donate 5000 lbs of food to a local food bank, submit the Food for Families paperwork to Supreme, and then donate the \$500 refund from Supreme to that food bank. For the first council to submit their paperwork to the State Council to prove they had accomplished the challenge, the State Council submitted another \$200 to their food bank. The winner of this challenge was Council 12560 Post Falls.

The second Family Program challenge that was given to the state councils was based on Family of the Month submissions to Supreme. All those who submitted a form to Supreme before the end of December were entered into a drawing to win a Holy Family Icon (see below). Then for everyone that submits a form to Supreme from January until the State Convention will be added into a second drawing for an Icon that will take place at the Idaho State Convention. The winner of the first icon drawing was Doug Osborne from Council 1024 Lewiston.

Supreme selects a Family of the Month council winner from all the submissions. The Idaho winner for January 2021 was Council 1416 Dave Ellingsen, and for February 2021 was Council 899 Robert Walker. Unfortunately, I did not start receiving these notices from Supreme until January, so I don't have a list of winners for 2020.

Besides numerous email correspondences with the council Family Directors this fraternal year, I have held four virtual meetings since August. These meetings were done through Google Meet and were used to pass along information and to discuss activities that have been taking place across the state. These meetings gave council Family Directors the opportunity to see each other face-to-face and share their ideas and concerns. Despite having only a handful of directors present at each meeting, there is a lot of potential for this platform to draw the councils closer together in a collaborative effort, rather than feeling isolated and out of the loop from what other councils are doing across the state.

A number of councils submitted Family Program activities that were published in the Knights of Columbus state newsletter or submitted for state recognition. Here are some that were submitted:

Buhl council 2685 spent \$1,830 to purchase a beef for cutting, wrapping, and distribution to families in need of food in their community.

Knights at St. Pius X Council in Coeur d'Alene has a food pantry delivery crew that goes out each morning to pick up donated food from a local supermarket, and then delivers it to the St. Pius and St. Vincent DePaul food pantries in Coeur d'Alene. When there is abundance, they also share food with the Second Street Commons and Union Gospel Mission.

In Pocatello, Knights provide financial support to the food bank and they have also donated money to purchase thermometers for the church school.

Meridian Council 11548 has been helping staff their food bank.

Risen Christ council 12854 has grown a garden that produces food for the needy. St. George Council in Post Falls has donated over 24,000 pounds of food and \$1,000 to their local food bank since the pandemic started.

Holy Spirit Council #11548 conducted their 3rd Annual Food for Families Food Drive, October 17th & 18th, to assist the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry on the grounds at Holy Apostles Catholic church in Meridian. The event brought in over 10,400 pounds of food products and toilet paper to help stock the pantry for fall.

St Pius X, Council 11623 - CDA Held a Coats for Kids distribution at St. George's in Post Falls on Friday November 27th.

Councils Santa Maria 4013 and NSDG 17462 of Boise gathered in Fruitland for a Coats for Kids distribution campaign on Sunday, January 10th.

Council 3703 in Mountain Home obtained a donation of a full cow from Bettencourt Dairies which the council paid for the grind, packaging, and delivery to the local St. Vincent de Paul for distribution.

Council 11623 helped put on a continental breakfast and a 4 hour Lenten Retreat for 98 members of their local parish.

Council 1663 collected over 1500 pounds of food to donate to St. Vincent de Paul through a Family Scavenger Hunt Food Drive.

Council 1416 put together 150 Christmas Food Baskets for local families. Each basket held around 65 pounds of food and fed over 500 people.

Idaho State KofC Pennies from Heaven Activity 2019-2020 Through 4/11/20

Request	Requesting		Grant	Grant	
Date	Council	Beneficiary	Request	Amount	Vote
7/18/2020	1397 Moscow	Colin Meyer	\$500.00	\$500.00	Approved
12/18/2020	1554 Genesse	Scott Stapleton	\$500.00	\$500.00	Approved
1/11/2021	892 Pocatello	Dave O'Nell	\$500.00	\$500.00	Approved
2/10/2021	1363 Coeur d'Alene	e Connal Kingrey	\$1,300.00	\$500.00	Approved
3/16/2021	2014 Nampa	Mario Garza	\$500.00	\$500.00	Approved

Wheelchair Report Dan Moberg

Have You Forgotten?

There are over 100 million people in the world who need a wheelchair but do not have the means to acquire one. Our Supreme Knight and Supreme



State of Idaho Youth Director Keith Riemersma

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

This was our most popular youth activity this year. This is not unexpected since it is an activity that did not require a large gathering and participants could complete posters in their homes or at school. Three Councils sponsored a Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest (councils 892, 1416 and 5444). All councils reported very good participation this year.

Soccer Challenge

Two councils held Soccer Challenge Events in 2020 (councils 3703 and 10581). These council both held events last year. Both reported good participation.

Basketball Free Throw Contest

3 Councils held Free Throw Championship Events (councils 1416, 12172 and 12172). This is down from 6 events held last year.

Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

Council 1024 turned in a Citizenship Essay. No councils held essay contests last year.

Substance Abuse Poster Contest

No Councils sponsored a Substance Abuse Poster Contest. This is the same as last year.

Director Assessment

I expected participation in youth activities to be down this year due to gathering restrictions in place. Participation was actually down less than I expected. I was encouraged to see councils utilize more programs that could be done in a Covid friendly manner, such as the KCIC poster contest and the essay contest. The Basketball Free Throw contest continues to be one of our most popular youth activities although the number of councils participating was down this year.

Respectively Submitted Keith J. Riemersma Idaho State Youth Director