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Idaho Knights in Action

Christmas Baskets – Twin Falls

On Saturday, December 18th Council 1416 distributed Food Baskets to 152 families with 591 family members. Each box contained cans of soups, fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, jam, bread, eggs, butter, oil, flour, sugar, milk, cheese, yogurt, potatoes, 2 cases of ramen and ham. The Cub Scouts made ornaments to give out with the baskets, and the Boy Scouts helped transport the boxes out to cars for pickup. The Council held a breakfast and solicited donations from parishioners. St. Edwards School held a food drive and collected some canned goods included with the Baskets. The Thanksgiving Mass collection was donated by the Church to help with the baskets. Nearly \$10,000 dollars of food was given out with the Council spending around \$6,000 dollars of its own funds.



GK Dave Garcia's Daughter Faith adds case of Yogurt to boxes of goods being transported by Scouts Jayden Sharp and Issac Johnson. Knight Larry Cermak in background had just added cheese, butter, and two dozen eggs to top box.



Cans of food and boxes fill the Knights Hall.



Marvin Makay and Jerry Burns ready a box.

Family of the Month – OLR Boise

The Tandjoeng-Ogawas returned to Boise Idaho in late 2016 after spending several years living in Japan. They are a family of six and love OLR Boise because they rarely find a community elsewhere that is as welcoming to diverse groups of people as our OLR community. Soeparto works at a semiconductor company and currently serves as a treasurer of KofC Council 10581, and Naoko is a stay-at-home mom. Their eldest daughter, Erina, is a senior at Bishop Kelly High School, and her siblings have been attending the Faith Formation classes and part of the Youth Ministry at OLR Boise. They volunteer their time whenever available to help those in need, especially through food pantry, mobile food pantry, food drive, local hospital, or fund raising around Boise areas.



Assembly Actions – Part 1

Dave Ellingsen - Idaho District Master

Dear Brother Knights,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's with family and friends, and I look forward to a productive 2022. I would like to increase the percentage of Knights who go on to become Fourth Degree members, which is currently about 20% of our Idaho Knights. We need to ask those active Third Degree Members to join the Fourth Degree to make it Stronger.



We have an opportunity to attend a Fourth Degree Exemplification coming up. The next will be March 12th, 2022, at All Saint Catholic Church in Lewiston. Please contact me to register (208) 961-1200, or by email at

ellingsen4@live.com with completed Form 4's so we can register the candidates and also need information on those members planning to attend for meal planning.

Vivat Jesus.

Silver Rose Idaho 2022 Tour – Part 1

A Higher Purpose: Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life through this meaningful pilgrimage. The Silver Rose Program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States, and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady.

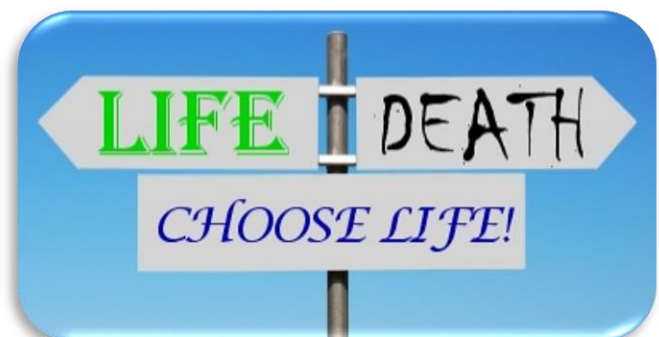
Overview: Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners, and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe. For Silver Rose program resources, visit www.kofc.org/rose.

Visit with your respective councils and pastors to determine your desire to share in this wonderful opportunity to pray.

Please stay in touch with me with your desire to participate as dates are filling up. See the summary later in this newsletter. Please share your questions and comments.



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Early Detection – Pocatello

By: Brother Brad Bugger
Council 892 Public Relations

Knights of Columbus Council 892 members present a check for \$7,000 to the Health West Pediatrics Clinic in Pocatello recently, to be used to purchase advanced hearing and vision diagnostic equipment. Shown in this photo, from L to R, are: Melissa Myers (HW Clinic); Jim Robinson, Council 892; Kendle Vickers (HW Clinic); Candice Hutchins (HW Clinic); Keith Riemersma (892, State Youth /Activities Director), Kerry Hennessy (892, PSD, DD#2), Dave Molitor (892) and Dr. Greg Kostur, Chief Pediatrician from the Clinic.



Doctors soon will be better able to detect hearing and vision problems in young children in southeastern Idaho, thanks to a \$7,000 donation from Council 892 of the Knights of Columbus.

The money will be used by Health West, Inc., a federally-funded health care center that provides pediatric primary, preventative and behavioral health care at its Pocatello clinic, to purchase two pieces of specialized diagnostic equipment. The first is “spot vision,” which is designed to detect early visual impairments and six amblyopic risk factors in pediatric patients as young as six months. Often times, vision disorders have no noticeable symptoms, and as a result young children remain undiagnosed and untreated.

The “spot vision” device can capture results on 97 percent of pediatric patients with minimal cooperation, compared to only 19 percent accuracy rate when using chart-based screenings.

The OAE Hearing device, meanwhile, is designed to detect permanent congenital, delayed-onset, and/or progressive hearing loss in newborns, infants, toddlers, pre-school and school-age children, without incorporating responses from patients. When children have undiagnosed hearing loss, it can affect their speech, language, cognitive and social development. Being able to provide hearing screenings during childhood is vital for early detection, treatment and management of hearing loss to pediatric patients.

“On behalf of Health West, Dr. Greg Kostur, and our dedicated pediatrics team, we would like to express our gratitude to the Knights of Columbus for their continued support,” said Melissa Myers, director of grants, budgeting and special programs for Health West. “Having the availability to use these diagnostic screening devices in our Pediatrics clinic is life changing. Not only will both technologies help our pediatricians and medical staff perform fast, accurate and objective vision and hearing screenings for young children, but using the right technology in our pediatric practice will help improve patients, outcomes and make a profound difference in the lives of our patients.”

Mike Doellman, Grand Knight for Council 892, said the donation was first suggested by council member Jim Price who had conversations with the pediatric clinic about the value of early detection of hearing and vision problems. Being able to detect and treat those problems early in life can dramatically change the quality of life for the patients, Price was told, and he suggested the local KC council support the purchase of these diagnostic devices.

Much of the money was raised by the Knights’ annual charity golf tournament, which generates money for a wide range of good causes each summer, including the most recent tournament held last September.

“The Knights are a life-affirming organization that is always looking for ways to improve the quality of life of those in our community, in particular the young people of our community,” said Doellman.

Myers said she hopes to have the new diagnostic tools purchased, assembled and staff trained to use them by March of this year.

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal group of Catholic men who use their time, talents and treasure to further educational, charitable, liturgical, youth and family works in their parish, community, state and nation.

Coats for Kids – Twin Falls Council 1416

This year of Council 1416 Twin Falls member Mark Rasgorshek's son Drake helped Coordinate with the Knights of Columbus on our Coats for Kids program for his Senior Project. Drake helped secure 110 coats from JD Heiskell, and held a coat distribution in Wendell, Id on October 23, where 70 coats were distributed. A barrel was present in the church for coat donation from October through mid-December where 26 coats were collected. The remainder of the coats from the JD Heiskell, the coats donated at the church were added to the four boxes of coats Purchased by Council 1416 and matched by the state for a total of 162 coats given to Sr. Rosemarie Boessen at La Posada community outreach center in Twin Falls for distribution. A majority of these coats have been distributed to needy in the Magic Valley already.



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Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

February 2022

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." (Gospel for Feb. 6, Lk 5:8-10)

Simon Peter recognizes Jesus for who he is and deems himself unworthy to be in his presence. Jesus, in calling the fisherman to follow him, tells him not to fear. Every one of us is a sinner, and yet Jesus calls each of us to follow him. It is not our own virtues or qualifications, but rather Jesus who empowers us with his grace to respond to his invitation. Brothers, remember St. Paul's words: "I have the strength for everything through him who empowers me" (Phil 4:13).

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to go to confession and attend at least one weekday Mass, offering it for the intention to fearlessly answer Christ's call to follow him. Second, I challenge you to participate in or consider starting the Faith in Action Into the Breach program.

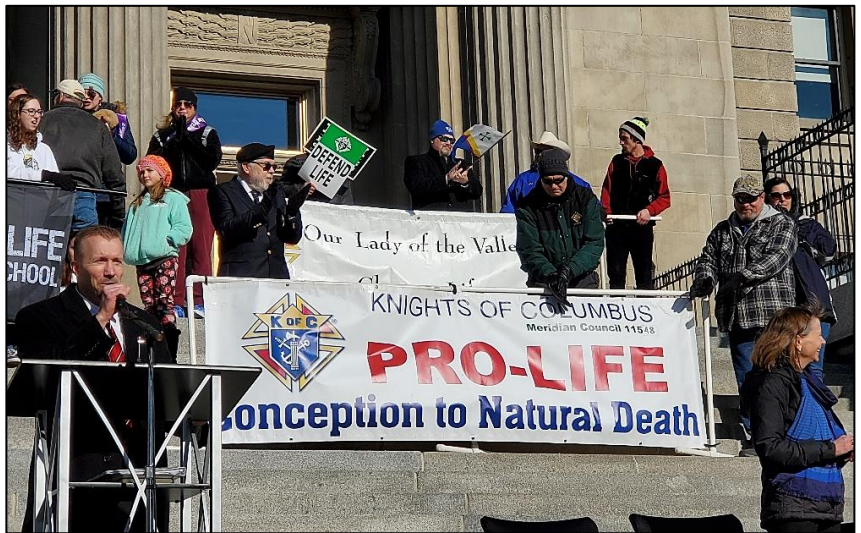
Questions for Reflection:

Are you sometimes afraid to follow Christ more closely because you consider yourself too sinful and unworthy? Do you truly believe in and experience Christ's mercy and seek to forgive yourself as well as others? Do you stay close to the sacrament of penance in order to do battle with your own sinfulness and allow God's grace to strengthen you for spiritual combat?



March for Life – Boise

On Saturday, January 22nd the annual Pro Life March was held in Boise and culminated at the Capitol building. It was the general consensus it was likely the largest attendance ever. Thanks to all the KC's, family, and friends who attended and especially to Meridian Council 11548 and Our Lady of the Valley Council 3086 from Caldwell for their great banners and support. Pray every day for the unborn so they are treated with the respect and dignity they deserve.



No Person Left Behind – Pocatello

By: Beth Huston – St. Vincent DePaul Director

We are proud and grateful to report that the new 3-door commercial freezer has arrived. We are so blessed to have almost all of our refrigeration be commercial quality and size now. This really makes a difference, especially when we have to operate in such a tight space because they are a more efficient use of space. So many thanks to the Idaho Foodbank for their generous grant to allow us to purchase this appliance from BSR of Twin Falls. It goes without saying the help given to St. Vincent DePaul by the Knights of Columbus Council 892 for this project and many others is so appreciated, and in this case to Rick Laws (in the camo jacket for his strong arms and back).



New Brothers – Blackfoot

Sunday, January 30th was a very good day for the Knights of Columbus in Blackfoot as two new brother Knights were brought into Council 3013. From left to right is new member Venito Longoria; Grand Knight Don Weikert; and new member Christopher Hons.

Vivat Jesus.

From: Idaho State Deputy
Roy Bartholomay



Idaho Silver Rose 2022 - Part 2

Attached is the updated schedule for the Idaho Tour and names of those councils indicating an interest in hosting a Silver Rose service. Please continue communicating with me to reserve your council's place in the schedule.

Thank you and Peace.

Dave Palumbo - Silver Rose Idaho 2022 Tour Chair

6/05*: TRANSFER FROM WASHINGTON TO IDAHO

- 6/05: Moscow #01397
- 6/06: Moscow #01387
- 6/07: CDA; St. Pius X #11623
- 6/08: CDA; St. Pius X #11623
- 6/09: CDA; St. Thomas #01363
- 6/10:
- 6/11*: Salmon #08283
- 6/12*: Salmon #08283
- 6/13: St. Anthony #12953
- 6/14: Driggs #12953
- 6/15: Rexburg #12953
- 6/16:
- 6/17:
- 6/18*: Holy Spirit #11548
- 6/19*:
- 6/20: Jerome #08780
- 6/21:
- 6/22: Buhl #02685
- 6/23: Gooding #05444
- 6/24:
- 6/25*: Twin Falls #01416
- 6/26*: Twin Falls #01416
- 6/27: Mountain Home # 03703
- 6/28: Our Lady of the Rosary #10581
- 6/29: Sacred Heart #00899
- 6/30:
- 7/01: St. Mark's #12172
- 7/02*: Fruitland #12516
- 7/03*: Fruitland #12516
- 7/04:
- 7/05: Weiser #13089
- 7/06:
- 7/07:
- 7/08:
- 7/09*: TRANSFER TO OREGON @ Fruitland/Ontario



Mass for Life – Boise

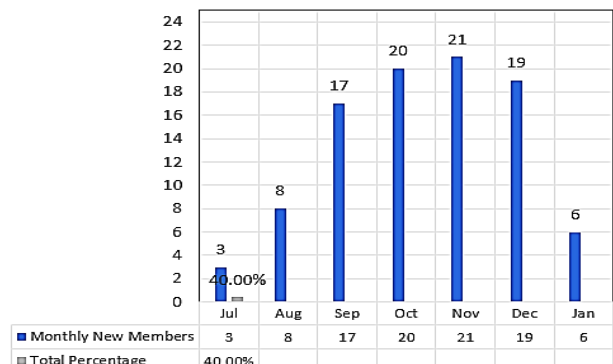


Bishop Peter and several priests in Boise celebrated the Mass for Life in Boise at the Cathedral on Saturday January 22nd. Bishop Peters' message focused on the uniqueness of snowflakes and how each human life is also unique. After Mass, many hundreds of people marched from Julia Davis Park to the state capital where several inspirational speakers presented a program on the value of life. The keynote Speaker was from the Reliance Center in Lewiston, and the diocese just approved the Knights of Columbus request to move forward with purchasing an ultrasound for their facility.

From: Roy Bartholomay
Idaho State Deputy



Circle of Honor



Membership Update

We have started the second half on the slow side in terms of membership. The circle of honor report as of January 28, 2022, we have 6 new members this month. We are in the 50th spot in the standing of the order with 40% of our goal and we need 141 new members to meet that goal.

Second Half Incentives

For the sake of the 2nd half incentives, every council's membership goal was reset to zero on January 1st, 2022.

1. Every council earning 50 % of recruitment goal by March 31, 2022 get \$ 50.00
2. The 1st Council to reach 100 % by June 30, 2022 gets \$150.00

Every new member MUST be recorded at supreme by close of business on March 31, 2022 to qualify!

MCGIVNEY2020

The MCGIVNEY2020 incentive continues to run through the end of this fraternal year.

Incentive Standings

Congratulations to Santa Maria Council 4013 for earning 67% of their goal between January 1st and March 31st. They will receive the \$ 50.00 incentive along with any other council who earns 50 % of their goal by March 31, 2022. The list below shows where each recruiting council stands percentage wise to earn the incentive award.

Sants Maria Council 4013	67%
Coeur D Alene Council 1363	25%
Spirit Lake Council 15304	25%
Sacred Heart Council 899	20%
Fruitland Council 12516	20%
Twin Falls Council 1416	13%
Caldwell Council 3086	13%

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Circle of Honor Standings

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March for Life – Moscow Council 1397

Members of Council 1397 have participated in the Moscow March for Life for decades. The 2022 Moscow March for Life was held on January 15th, with about 200 people from around the local area participating in the march and listening to the speakers.

From: Brian K. Johnson



Assembly Actions – Part 2

Dave Ellingsen - Idaho District Master



Knights of Columbus

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Patriotic degree of the Order.

Dear Brother Knights,

I would like to thank John Pettinger for organizing the 9 members of the Color Corps who presented the Colors at Idaho Men's Conference and served at the Bishop's Mass in Nampa. They looked sharp and did a good job. Remember the Color Corps are the visible arm of the Knights, I would like to encourage our Fourth Degree members who can afford to get the new uniform to improve the numbers and make for a more impressive show. Unfortunately, I had to miss the attending the conference in person as I came down with Covid-19 on Wednesday. Fortunately, I had a mild case and my symptoms have resolved by Sunday, likely from my previous vaccinations. I encourage all our members older than 35 (almost all of us) to get vaccinated if not already as it is shown to reduce the severity and risks greatly.

We are planning a Fourth Degree for Lewiston, Idaho on March 12 at All Saints Catholic Church. Please get me the completed Form4's of those who would like to participate so we can register and get them the details. We are also hoping to provide an online option so people from all over the state can become Fourth Degree Members before the State Convention. We are doing fairly well towards our goal of 78 new Sir Knights for Idaho but need to keep up our pace. I know we have had several funerals for Sir Knights this year and our average age suggests that we will lose a fair number of our members. To grow we will need replace them with more than one member, and hopefully with some of our younger members.

Preparing for sending out informational letter on selecting delegates for the biennial meeting of the Idaho District Assembly Friday April 22, 2022. Currently I would like the meeting to start at 1:30pm, 2 hours prior to Mass. I am working on an agenda and am soliciting resolutions to be considered at the meeting in addition to send three potential District Masters to Supreme.

I have received a few of our assembly's 1728 Fraternal Activity Survey Reports. Please get them submitted in first part of February if not already turned in. Remember our tax-exempt status as an organization is supported by the charitable hours that this report tracks.

Vivat Jesus.

ULTRASOUND INITIATIVE – COEUR D'ALENE

Yet another funded ultrasound in Idaho! I believe this is an effort that 899 and other councils have contributed to this effort!

Sincerely;

Jose' (J.A.) Arroyo

State Life Director

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UPDATE:

I am not sure about which other councils assisted but know that 899 voted funds to assist with the fundraising. Though the contributions may have been relatively small, it was a statewide effort to cross the finish line in this effort. 1363 was the sponsoring council and spearheaded all fundraising. I would encourage someone from 1363 to send in photos and additional information about this organization for this month's Knights' News. I am sending this also to the GK and FS of 1363 as well as the District 10 District Deputy, Richard Freedle.

In November, the Deputy Supreme Knight challenged us to fund 1500 Ultrasound machines by the March for Life! Idaho had one in our jurisdiction, St. Thomas More Council 1363 in Coeur d'Alene at the Open Arms Pregnancy Care Center.

PATRICK E. KELLY
SUPREME KNIGHT



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

January 15, 2022

Open Arms, Real Choices Clinic
1800 N. Lincoln Way #201
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council, I am pleased to convey a check in the amount of \$15,175 from the Order's Culture of Life Fund to assist in purchasing a new ultrasound machine for Open Arms Pregnancy Care Center.

Ultrasound technology opens a window into the womb and dramatically shows the humanity of the unborn, even to the doubting eyes of those who may not have previously shared our regard for the sanctity of unborn human life.

The Supreme Council is therefore pleased to partner with St. Thomas Council 1363 in purchasing this powerful tool which we hope and pray will save many lives through the good work of Open Arms Pregnancy Care Center.

With gratitude for your efforts and dedication to the cause of life, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick E. Kelly".

Patrick E. Kelly
Supreme Knight

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cc. Roy Bartholomay, State Deputy
Jose Arroyo, State Life Director
David Rusconi, Deputy Grand Knight

Events Around the State – February 2022

George Mesina, State Secretary

Idaho Knights of Columbus serve our communities in a wide variety of ways, community events, donations to charities, and building up the Church. This month we highlight one noteworthy activity from each district, though there are many more. For more information, contact the council, District Deputy, or George Mesina (gmesina626@gmail.com).

District 1Idaho Falls Council Valentine BINGO

Tuesday, Feb 8, 6-9 PM

Christ the King Hall

1690 E 17th St, Idaho Falls,

\$20 for 12 Games and All-you can-eat pizza.

District 2Blackfoot Council's Pancake Breakfast

Feb 13, 11 AM

St Bernard's Parish Hall

584 W Sexton St, Blackfoot

District 3Buhl Council's Annual Crab Feed

Friday, Feb 11 at 7:00 PM

Curbside pickup 4:30-5:30

Immaculate Conception Parish Hall

1631 Poplar St, Buhl

\$70/meal, must buy ticker by Feb 5

District 5Blessed Frasati Council Family Night

Wednesday, Feb 5, 6 PM

Cathedral of Saint John the Evangelist Basement

807 N 8th St, Boise

No cost. Bring your family and a meal for your family to enjoy. We suggest pizza.

District 6Sacred Heart Ceremonial of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity

Tuesday, Feb 15, 7:00 PM

Sacred Heart Hall

811 S Latah St, Boise

No cost. Bring candidates and families.

District 8Lewiston Council Rosary2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 PM (Pacific Time)

All Saints Catholic Church

Classroom adjacent to the social hall

Join us! Pray the rosary before council meetings

District 9Moscow Council Ceremonial of Charity, Unity, Fraternity

Sunday February 6, 11:45 AM

St. Augustine's Catholic Church

628 S. Deakin St, Moscow

No cost. Bring candidates and families.

District 10Fr. Cataldo Anniversary Steak Dinner

St. Rita Church Hall

27 Kellogg Ave, Kellogg

Sirloin steak with all the fixings

\$10/person, \$0 for deceased knights' widows

Celebrating 69 years serving to our community



Roy Bartholomay
Idaho State Deputy

Dear Brother Knights,

Welcome to the 10 new brother Knights brought into our Councils during January. Last month I reported that we had obtained enough funding to purchase two ultrasounds for the Open Arms Facility in Coeur d' Alene. Supreme has now approved and sent the funds to cover half the cost for both machines so stay tuned for the machines to arrive. Also, Lewiston council 1024 submitted paperwork to purchase an ultrasound machine for the Reliance Center in Lewiston and the diocese has approved the request, so we are working to get a third machine in place in Idaho this fraternal year. Continue to pray and support all stages of Life!

In the coming months, we will be preparing for our 115th annual State Convention in Idaho Falls, ID on April 22-24 at the Hilton Garden Inn. This year's convention theme is from Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me."

Vivat Jesus.

