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Idaho Knights in Action

Changing of the Guard

Let me introduce myself. I am Paul Petro and at the Idaho State Convention I was elected as the Warden for the State Council. I was also appointed as the newsletter editor starting July 1, 2022.

With that being said, please send all newsletter articles to idxkofcwarden@gmail.com starting in June. I will do my best to send the newsletters out on the 1st day of each month but I reserve the right to publish it a day or two later. I will send out reminders for any articles towards the middle of each month and the deadline for submissions will be three days prior to the last day of the month. Any articles that are received after that day are not guaranteed to be in the newsletter.

I look forward to working with each of you in the new fraternal year.



Paul Petro
State Warden
Newsletter Editor

Keep Up the Great Work

Events Around the State – June 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 1

Idaho Falls Council 1663 Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, 6/15

from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Christ the King Hall.

Registration: Don Wind (208)547-3731 for details.

Idaho Falls Council 1663 Bar-B-Q Social & Farewell.

Tuesday 6/21 at 6 PM

Christ the King Hall

Knights chambers and back patio.

Honor and roast our outgoing GK, Mat Metcalf

Enjoy the Fraternity part of the order!

Potluck, but Knights supply the burgers, buns, condiments, beverages, and tableware.

All are welcome.

Salmon 8283 Graduating Senior Sober breakfast

June 4th, 4:00- 5:30 A.M

Knights serve biscuits & gravy for at least 55 seniors plus chaperones.

Information: Contact GK Kurt Williams to volunteer to help at 208-993-1736.

District 2

Pocatello Council 892 Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, June 5, after the 11am Mass

St. Anthony Social Hall

524 N 7th Ave, Pocatello, ID 83201

Pocatello Council 892 Wine Tasting/Auction/Dinner

Saturday, June 4, at 6 PM

Anthony Social Hall

524 N 7th Ave, Pocatello, ID 83201

\$15 person, \$25 per couple.

Rupert Council 2792 Highway clean-up

Saturday, June 25 at 9 AM

Information: GK Troy Charles, 208-421-1916

District 3

Twin Falls Council 1416 Officer Installation

Wednesday, June 8 at 7:30pm

St. John's room of the parish

Open to the public

District 4

St. Marks Council 12172 Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, June 20

2:00 to 6:00 pm

Donoghue Hall, 7960 Northview, Boise, ID 83704

St. Marks Council 12172 Vocation Golf Tournament

Friday, June 10

River Birch Golf Course, Star

Located in Star right off Highway 16 and Beacon Light Road

Register: saltandlightradio.com or 208-344-4774

District 5

Holy Spirit Council 11548 Meridian Exemplification

Thursday, June 16

6:45 PM

Holy Apostles Catholic Church

6300 N Meridian Rd, Meridian ID, 83646

Holy Spirit Council 11548 Baby Bottle Drive

Distribution of bottles – Weekend of June 11 & 12 after all the Masses

Collection of bottles – Weekend of June 18 & 19 before all the Masses

Holy Apostles Catholic Church

6300 N Meridian Rd, Meridian ID, 83646

Blessed Frassati Council 17059 Family Knight

Bring a meal for your family to enjoy with the other families building community

Saturday, June 4

5:00 PM Mass

St. John's Cathedral

807 N 8th St, Boise, ID 83702

6:00 PM Family Knight

Fort Boise Park

155 E Garrison Rd, Boise, ID 83702

District 7

Weiser Council 13089 Exemplification

June date to be determined

St. Agnes Catholic Church

214 E. Liberty St. Weiser, ID 83672

Information: GK David Frei, 208- 866-7030

Blood Drive ~ Meridian

On Monday April 25, the American Red Cross and the Knights of Columbus, Holy Spirit Council 11548 hosted a Blood Drive Event at Holy Apostles Catholic Church in Meridian ID. Brother Joe Cordona spearheaded the event, he was able to coordinate efforts with the American Red Cross, Holy Apostles Catholic Church, Volunteer Knights to help with the event and facilitate Volunteers to give blood donations. The Event was held in the Gymnasium at Holy Apostles Catholic Church and started at 9am and went all day until 6pm. The American Red Cross was able to collect 72 units of blood products, that was 20 units over expectations. There Were 69 people that gave blood products and there were over 80 hours of time volunteered. Holy Spirit Council has been hosting Blood Drives with the American Red Cross for the past 10 years with 12,000 units of blood products in total donated to date. Everyone involved was extremely pleased with the huge success of this event. Brother Joe Cordona and the Council plans on hosting 2 to 3 more Blood Drive events this year. Vivat Jesus.

David Cereghino - Grand Knight



Sir Knight Paul Edwards who was doing double duty as both a volunteer worker and donor.



Chairman and Color Corp Commander Joe Cardona helping those in need.

Supreme Chaplain's Challenge

June 2022



“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.” (Gospel for June 5, Jn 14:15)

Scripture makes it clear that actions speak louder than words. If we truly love Christ, we will act accordingly, living according to his commandments and the moral teachings of his Church. And we will do so remembering his commandment that we “love one another as I love you” (Jn 15:12). My brothers, let us recall that Jesus shows a particular love and care for the poor, the sick and the less fortunate in society, and resolve to do likewise with our actions as a sign of our love for him.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, I challenge you to show your love for Christ by serving the poor and needy in a concrete, tangible way. Second, I challenge you to keep the commandment to love one another by participating in the Faith in Action Global Wheelchair Mission program, Habitat for Humanity program or Helping Hands program.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you truly love God? Does this love show in how you live and how you treat others? With family and other loved ones, do your “actions speak louder than words” in revealing your love for them?

Our Job is NOT Finished!

With the release of the possible Supreme Court decision, it may seem like our job is over, we have won! That cannot be further from the truth. The enemy, the devil, indeed goes about like a roaring Lion, seeking whom he might devour. Just as in Russia, where the narrative of the government there has convinced so many that Ukrainians are “Neo-Nazis” and they are blinded to the women and children being brutally murdered, our country has created a false narrative about abortions. Innocent women are led to believe that, in their moment of despair, when they cannot imagine how they could raise the child in their womb, or are pressured to believe this is the only way forward, abortion seems to be the only way out. Punishing these women will not solve the bigger problem.

We must continue to work to avoid the hypocrisy this cartoon depicts. It is a caricature of the worst of those who purport to support Life. If we actually look at what is represented here, we see that those that are “Pro-Choice” are advocating to end these lives before they have a chance to face their own struggles. Often, the Republican Party and Pro-Life advocates fall straight into these stereotypes by not, as we were admonished in the First Degree, Support Life in All of its Stages!

- Save the Babies!
 - But Not the Welfare mothers and families. – As Knights, we must redouble our commitments to support families! That is what Coats for Kids and Food for Families, the Baby bottle drives are for! Support candidates that are truly Pro-Life in all its stages!
 - Not those Immigrant Babies! We must support the immigrants fleeing from oppression across the globe. Many of these immigrants (legal and illegal) are our brother Knights and their families! We must put political animosities aside and support these families regardless of their status. Children do not have a political opinion and we, as Catholic gentlemen, must offer the helping hand of Christ.
 - Not the children fleeing gang violence and their families. The Catholic Church has always provided love and support to all victims of any kind of violence. We contribute to providing hope and education to free families of poverty.
 - It’s Not for US to saw which babies live or die! It is not for us to determine. This is an oft misused misunderstanding as an excuse for abortion. In the vary rare circumstances which it is a medical necessity to treat a mother, doctors strive to save the lives of both mother and child. If a child dies in this case, it is not an “abortion” but a consequence of treatment of the mother. Such treatment is not performed in a Planned Parenthood clinic, which are not equipped for surgical, life-saving, procedures, but in a hospital, with trained surgical staff. Our involvement in Special Olympics is important to demonstrating the dignity and importance of every life!
- Finally, the mask mandates! Involvement in this argument under the name of Pro-Life has damaged the credibility of our cause. This has been something that very prominent national leaders, including Fr. Frank Pavone, have fallen into and has affected the credibility of this movement. As Pro-Life people, as Knights, we must take back the narrative and stop allowing it to degenerate into name calling and extremes.

Abortion targets the poor and hopeless, we must fight for their rights. Abortion is portrayed as a ‘solution’ to all that is wrong in a woman’s life:

- where she lacks power over her body (which is evidenced by her ‘un-wanted’ pregnancy in the first place), Abortion promises to give her control over her body.
- Where she feels unable to control her circumstances in life, her poverty, inexperience, loneliness or fear of being shunned, Abortion promises to give her security.

- Where she feels helpless or victimized, Abortion promises her the help she thinks she needs.

What Abortion does not provide, however, is a lasting solution. In fact, it leaves her guilty of taking a life which she can never get back. Abortion providers do not provide mental health counseling or support. It does not provide it because it does not acknowledge that what she is doing is anything to feel guilt about. They do not acknowledge that it is truly a life therefore cannot provide any kind of support.

Abortion does not provide lasting power over her own body either. Abortion does not Empower women, it does not address what caused the pregnancy in the first place or why she may or may not have consented to have sex. If a woman has been a victim of sex-trafficking or rape, abortion does not solve this problem.

Abortion does not address the root causes of poverty, it does not send her home with food and a place to live. It does not provide her with resources.

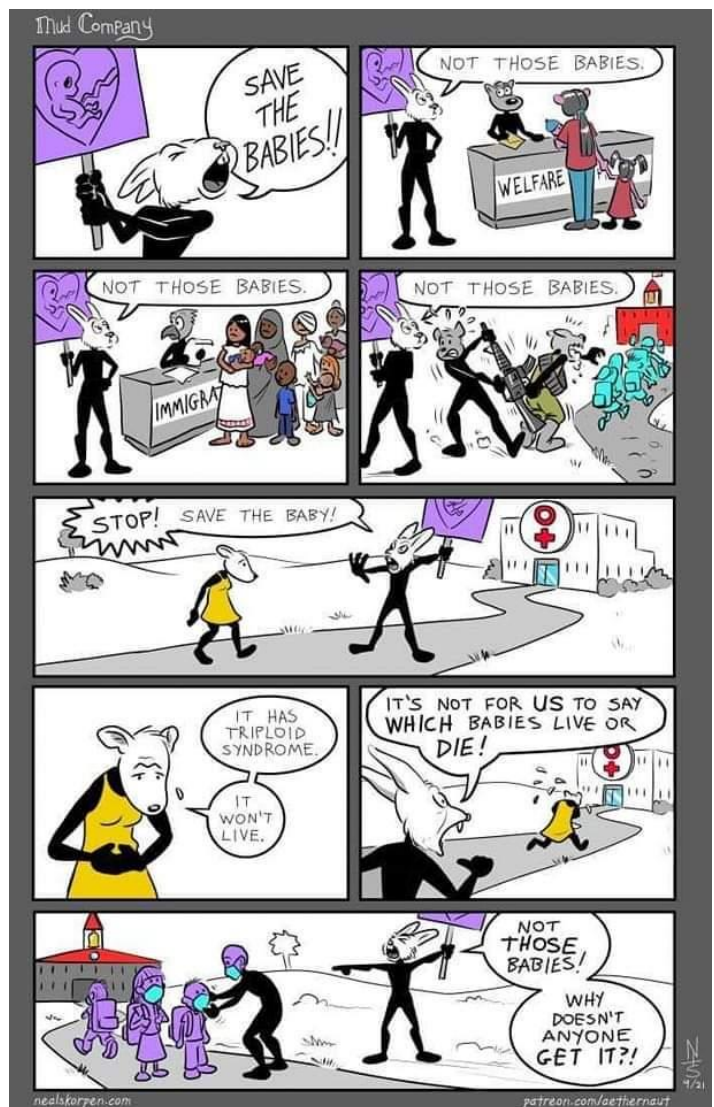
Abortion only takes away, it does not GIVE. It does not give hope, it does not provide direction, it does not provide an escape from the circumstances that brought the woman to their doorstep in the first place. Abortion providers do not even provide alternatives to their services. They do not provide adoption services, they do not provide choices if the mother chooses to have her child!

My brothers, for everything that Abortion and Abortion Providers fail to do, WE, as Knights, as supporters of Pro-Life, must work to provide these women HOPE, Support, and prayer. Several laws have been passed recently, including in Idaho. Many provide punitive actions. Many seek to punish a young mother in their time of deepest despair and hopelessness. We must work to embrace these women, not slap them down! We need to work, especially if the Supreme Court indeed does overturn Roe vs Wade, to divert the funding that has been going to Planned Parenthood and other Abortion providers to go to clinics such as Stanton and Sage. The funding should go to support women in poverty who are seeking help. We need to support programs, such as Madonna House, which support displaced mothers and children. Where Abortion takes away, we must give. We must focus on...

SUPPORTING LIFE IN ALL ITS STAGES

Vivat Jesus!

J.A. Arroyo, PGK, FDD
Knights of Columbus, Idaho State Council
 Pro-Life Chairman



Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser - Meridian

On the weekend of 4/23-4/24 at Holy Apostles Catholic Church in Meridian. The Knights of Columbus, Holy Spirit Council 11548 held a Cinnamon Roll Event for the benefit of the Knights of Columbus Relief fund for Ukraine. Brother Dennis Kuntz coordinated and managed this Event and was the key contributor to the success of this event. Starting on Friday evening a group of volunteers prepared the cinnamon rolls. On Saturday morning we had another group of volunteers baking them off and frosting them then we sealed them up and put them away for later sale. We sold the cinnamon rolls after the Saturday 5pm mass, the Sunday 9am and 11am masses at Holy Apostles Catholic Church. We had a total of 360 pans of cinnamon rolls to sell and limited each Mass to 130 pans. Every Mass sold out of the 130 pans allocated for each quickly after masses were out but that didn't stop parishioners from continuing to contribute after being sold out. We had over 70 volunteer hours and raised over \$7,600.00 after costs of materials.

Vivat Jesus. David Cereghino - Grand Knight

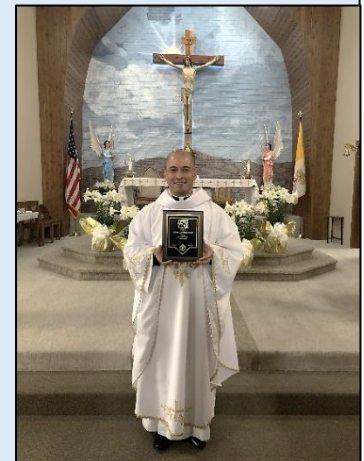


Mountain Home Council 3703

Submitted by: Jimmy Mancuso, G.K.



Father Germán Osorio after the presentation of the KC Priest of the Year at the recent concluded Idaho State Convention in Idaho Falls. Father was truly surprised to receive this award. He is hard working by serving our Parish and the Air Force.



In addition, Mountain Home Council has welcomed three new members on April 30th. Congratulations to Brothers Gerry Hanna, Niicholas Zimmerhanzel and Nate McCombs.



Dr. Ray Guarendi



Fr. Wade Menezes, CPM

2022 Inland Northwest Catholic Men's Retreat

Retreat Masters: Dr. Ray Guarendi and Fr. Wade Menezes, CPM

Friday, October 14, 2022 (5 p.m.) to
Sunday October 16, 2022 (Noon)

At Lutherhaven Camp on Coeur d'Alene's Mica Bay

Includes six sessions, three masses, individual confessions,
meditation (group & individual), and interaction with many
like-minded Catholic men.

\$195 PER MAN FOR THE WEEKEND, INCLUDING ROOM & BOARD

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SAVE THE DATE – Ed Slott, America's IRA Expert

Worthy Brothers,

Ed Slott, CPA is a nationally recognized speaker, television personality & best-selling author known for his unparalleled ability to turn advanced tax strategies into understandable, actionable and entertaining advice. Ed combines current research, in-depth expertise, and humor to teach viewers about the ins and outs of their retirements and provides insight to the latest tax and planning information.

His presentation will be available to our region (NV and ID) on June 23rd. Please register using the link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/SlottJune23>

Under Blessed Father McGivney's Protection,

Kevin Tuuri – KC General Agent Idaho and Nevada
1340 N Government Way Ste 318 Hayden, ID 83815
Office: 844-217-1856



Dawn Patrol - Boise

Early on the morning of May 7, Blessed Frassati Council 17059 of Boise, spearheaded by member Jeffrey Cowman (not pictured), cleared a plot of land for a vegetable garden at the Verbum Spei Fraternity's new Monastery of Our Lady of Ephesus. That evening, the Council again gathered for their monthly fellowship after attending Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist.

Submitted by: Trey Schorr

Let the Glory of our Blessed Mother Begin

Idaho Silver Rose 2022

Please continue communicating with me to reserve your council's place in the schedule. There are only 5 slots still available. Let's fill them up! Thank you and Peace.

Dave Palumbo
Silver Rose Idaho 2022 Tour Chair

6/05*:	TRANSFER FROM WASHINGTON TO IDAHO; 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:	Idaho Falls #01663
6/17:	Idaho Falls #01663
6/18*:	Pocatello #00892
6/19*:	Pocatello #00892
6/20:	Jerome #08780
6/21:	Buhl #02685
6/22:	Buhl #02685
6/23:	Gooding #05444
6/24:	Rupert #02792
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:	Meridian; Holy Spirit #11548
7/01:	St. Mark's #12172; Dave Palumbo
7/02*:	Fruitland #12516; Jim Griffith
7/03*:	Fruitland #12516; Jim Griffith
7/04:	Weiser #13089; David Frei
7/05:	
7/06:	
7/07:	Caldwell #03086; Tom Ineck
7/08:	
7/09*:	St. Mary's #12531
7/10*	TRANSFER TO OREGON @ Fruitland/Ontario

SILVER ROSE IDAHO 2022 TOUR 2022 IDAHO STATE CONVENTION REPORT MARCH 21, 2022

In October, 2021, I was asked by Drew Dillingham, Program Manager, Life and Faith, Knights of Columbus, Supreme, to complete a survey of the Idaho experience during the Silver Rose 2021 Idaho Tour. I shared our very positive results during the 2021 tour.

In December, 2021, I received the proposed schedule for the Silver Rose program throughout Canada, United States and Mexico. Apparently, because of our success in conducting Silver Rose services throughout the State of Idaho, we were blessed with an additional week to host the Silver Rose. At the end of December, 2021, I emailed all of the councils in the State of Idaho informing them of the 2022 Tour dates and requesting they commit to hosting the Silver Rose. The response during the months of January through February was impressive. Basically, the calendar has been fully committed. I commend the leadership of the Councils in the State of Idaho for understanding and taking advantage of the benefits of hosting the Silver Rose in their respective Councils/Parishes.

The 2022 Idaho Tour begins June 5, 2022 with the transfer from Washington State to the Moscow Council #01397. Following services by Councils in the Panhandle area of Idaho, the Silver Rose will travel to eastern Idaho, Magic Valley of Idaho, and Treasure Valley of Idaho. The Silver Rose will be transferred to the Oregon Jurisdiction on July 10, 2022. A copy of the Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Idaho 2022 Tour accompanies this report to the Idaho State 2022 Convention.

At this time, I am focusing upon the transfer of the Silver Rose from the Washington Jurisdiction and to the Oregon Jurisdiction. The Washington Jurisdiction has a new state chair and communication with Michael Taylor needs improvement. The chair for the 2021 Oregon Jurisdiction Tour has resigned. I have been communicating with the State Deputy of Oregon to learn the name of the new chair. To date, State Deputy Ray Prom has assigned the task of finding a new Silver Rose chair to the State Life Director Pat Parson and State Faith Director Sean Fornelli. Should a chair not be found, State Deputy Prom asked both Parson and Fornelli to schedule the Silver Rose Tour in Oregon.

I will be coordinating the transfers from the Washington and Oregon Jurisdictions through the respective Idaho District Deputies and local Council Grand Knights. District Master Dave Ellingsen has also requested to be an element of the jurisdiction transfer activities.

I am blessed, by the delightful and wonderful response of the Knights in the State of Idaho, to chair the Silver Rose Idaho 2022 Tour.

Thank You and Peace.

David E, Palumbo – Chair

Family of the Months

Our Lady of the Rosary Council 10581 Boise

Submitted by: John Matovu - Family Director

MARCH 2022

The Gmirkin Family has been such a beautiful asset to our parish family. Their willingness to always help out is so appreciated. Keith & Cheryl always make sure that the kids are involved in parish life. No matter what, they are always the first to respond to lend a helping hand. They help with VBS, Children's Faith Formation, Lectoring, the offertory, babysitting and so much more. Their faith is important to them, and it is so apparent that so is community. We are blessed to experience their gifts here at OLR.

APRIL 2022

Mike conducts Reel Men, the Wednesday morning group of men who study the bible readings for the coming weekend. Mike is also the Knight's chairman of our Community Faith In Action Program. He is also a member of the Parish Council along with teaches 5th grade religious education and helps with the Junior High Youth Group. Jill leads a weekly women's group at church, is a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd teacher for 6-9yr olds, and organizes the summer Vacation Bible School in which the whole family is involved. The children are active in the youth group, teen and children's choir, altar serving and collecting of gifts, and Mike and Jill are Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. The Schaubles say the Rosary daily as a family and have family Sunday Bible Study at least twice a month. The Schaubles also help organize and setup Idaho Family Camp each July.



The Gmirkin Family

The Schauble Family



togetherness

LOVE

Bishop Sylvester Treinen Color Corps on the Go! – Meridian

From: Jerry Sullivan

Members of the Color Corps, at Holy Apostles in Meridian, are answering the call and staying quite busy this month. They have assisted, at the family's request, with two funerals of Brother Knights at Holy Apostles; a Pro Life mass in Meridian; and put in two hours training on flag folding, which included changing the flag at the church. On the calendar coming up is a funeral at Risen Christ and a response to Bishop Peter's request to be at the ordination of new Deacons on June 9th.

Color Corps Commander, Sir Knight Joe Cardona, addressed the group after the Bud Davis funeral at Holy Apostles, thanking the Color Corps regulars for assisting the families and making their memories of the service special. "The response from every family has been emotional, heartfelt, and appreciative," he said. He applauded this group for giving a ½ day of their time for each event, including training, plus absorbing the cost of uniform purchase, up keep and travel expenses. "I'm proud to serve with you," he concluded.

Deacon Shackley, after the funeral for Sir Knight Dan Salokar, an officer for both Council #11548 and Assembly #2751, praised the Color Corps for making his "fellow" Marine's service special.

Ask each member and they will tell you they are honored and blessed to be assisting Brother Knights families during this service.



R to L: SK Dave Innerbichler, SK Stephen Gaston; SK Tom Coops; FN Walter Boisvert; CCC Joe Cardona; SK Mike Shaul; SK Robert Nee; SK Jerry Sullivan; SK Keith Klein; SK Robert Tratz.

Adopt-A-Highway – Meridian

From: Jerry Sullivan

On a cold and wet Saturday morning on April 30th, Brother Knight Fred Klein, Coordinator of the Adopt-A-Highway Litter Pick-up Project, was joined by members of Holy Spirit Council #11548 of Meridian from Holy Apostles cleaning up roadside trash on Chinden Boulevard. In addition, a few members of Boy Scout Troop #5, joined the Knights and pitched in.

"I want to warmly thank everyone for the hard work and sacrifice made to serve our community together to make our corner of the world a little nicer and cleaner place," Brother Fred said. "I respect your willingness

to serve, to battle the elements, to share with one another and to unite for a cause larger than us. We achieved our goal, safely, with camaraderie." Pictured is the group looking pretty positive and upbeat considering the weather!



(L-R) District Deputy 5 SK Cory Newell; (Scout); SK David Innerbichler; Event Coordinator Brother Fred Klein; District Warden 5 SK Ken Rief; Brother Don Kennebeck; SK Ray Hynson; (Scouts: Dennis Fox & son); SK James Pavelek, CCC SK Joe Cardona; Brother Mike Newell; SK Dick Jacobson.

Open Arms Ribbon Cutting - Coeur d' Alene

A dedication ceremony was held at the Open Arms Pregnancy Center in Coeur d'Alene on May 19 at 9:00 AM for the donation of two new ultrasound machines from the Idaho Knights of Columbus.

The Knights are a Catholic fraternal organization dedicated to the sanctity of life and helping those in need. The ultrasound machines provide images of unborn fetuses to pregnant women at different stages of their development, which will hopefully encourage them to carry their babies to birth.

Open Arms is a non-profit pregnancy medical clinic that is 100 percent donor-supported. The center offers support, information and compassion to those facing the challenge of an unplanned pregnancy. Each ultrasound machine cost \$30,350, and is funded by Knights of Columbus program funds, including a \$15,000 grant from 4US, \$32,938 from the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Ultrasound Initiative Matching Program, and the rest from council funds raised throughout the state of Idaho by various baby bottle drives and other fundraising methods.

"We know that upon seeing their baby's image on an ultrasound machine and being provided with help and support from non-profit organizations like the Open Arms Pregnancy Center, the vast majority of pregnant women will choose life," said Roy Bartholomay, Idaho State Deputy for the Knights of Columbus. "We are excited to continue to provide ultrasound technology to pregnancy centers that offer hope and support to women and their babies."

The KCs have purchased 4 ultrasounds for pregnancy centers in Idaho over the past 2 years and 10 machines in the State since the Supreme Council started it's ultrasound initiative program. The dedication ceremony will feature remarks by officials from the Knights of Columbus, Open Arms, and 4US, with a blessing to follow. The public and media are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact: Dave Rusconi at (650) 400 - 9779.



The large group one was all the members of the Knights of Columbus, 4US, and the Open Arms facility that attended the ground breaking and tour of the new Open Arms Facility on October 19 in Coeur d' Alene, Idaho. About 50 attended. The ceremony included speeches from Dr. Richard Hawk introducing his staff and what the Open Arms Center does for the community. Diego Wendt founder of 4US then introduced members of his 4US group that were present and described what they do and provide for pregnancy centers, Deputy Grand Knight and 1363 Life Director Dave Rusconi then introduced what his council did to get the ultrasound program going and he introduced State Deputy Roy Bartholomay who explained that several councils in Boise, Mountain Home, Coeur d'Alene, and Meridian donated funding to purchase the ultrasounds along with grants from 4 US and the Knights of Columbus Supreme council. Roy also read a congratulatory message from Supreme Life Director Drew Dillingham who apologized for not being able to attend, but thanked the Idaho Knights of Columbus for their dedication to Life. After the speeches and tours, Father Hippolytus blessed the two new ultrasound machines. I will see if I can find another one that captures some of the main members by the machines.

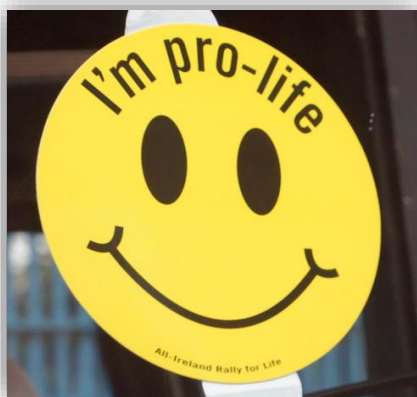
Roy Bartholomay – Knights of Columbus Idaho State Deputy

Last Thursday the Knights of Columbus, local, State, and Nationally, along with a group known as 4US, dedicated two new ultrasound machines at the new Open Arms Clinic offices in Hayden (which is another important story). Your paper should have received a press release from Boise last week, before the event. I have attached a sample of three pictures, only a few of many that I have. The cost of the two machines exceeded \$60000, 1/2 of which was provided by the Knights of Columbus corporately, 1/4 provided by the group known as 4US, and the balance by local councils in Idaho and the State Knight's organization. The overall effort on this project was coordinated by the St. Thomas council of the Knights. I can provide more details as needed, and can be reached at 308-664-1498.

Sincerely, Mike Anderson
 Financial Secretary, St. Thomas Council 1363



Dave Rusconi (left) presenting Dr. Richard Hawk a plaque with the details of the donors for the machines. Father Hippo and State Deputy Roy Bartholomay are also shown with the 2 machines in the background.



ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS NORBERT BLANCHET PROVINCE

Provincial Update

June 2022

Worthy Sir Knights,

Some Assembly's don't do any activities. Here are a couple suggestions.

June 14, 2022 is Flag Day and the 245th Anniversary since the United States adopted the American flag. Since then, it has become a symbol of freedom, endurance, and patriotism recognized around the globe. Host a Flag activity, at the least, hang a flag inside or outside of your home to commemorate Flag Day.

Visit a Soldiers Home. Last month on Memorial Day we honored our veterans that have gone to the Lord before us. Here is an opportunity to do something for the veterans that are still with us. Below are the Soldiers Homes in our Province.



Soldiers Homes – Washington – [Washington Soldiers Home Orting | WDVA](#)

- The Orting Soldiers Home Orting is located on 174 acres in the beautiful Puyallup Valley near Orting. Established in 1891, this was the first of four homes built for Washington state veterans.
- The Port Orchard Veterans Home was built in 1910 and is located on a 31- acre bluff overlooking Sinclair Inlet of Puget Sound.
- The Walla Walla Veterans Home is co-located on the campus of the Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center.
- The Spokane Veterans Home is a place where veterans are treated with the dignity and respect they deserve, in distinctive settings that provide a sense of belonging.

Soldiers Homes – Idaho – [Veterans Homes - Division of Veterans Services \(idaho.gov\)](#)

- The “Old Soldiers Home” opened in Boise in May 1895 and was replaced in 1966. Situated on a sprawling, tree-lined campus at the base of beautiful Boise foothills, that provides a quiet, peaceful setting just a few convenient miles from the heart of downtown Boise.
- The Lewiston Veteran’s Home Established in 1994 is nestled in a park-like setting with a panoramic view of nearby rolling hills right near the Clearwater and Snake Rivers — one of the premier fishing spots in the nation — which provides residents with a beautiful and peaceful environment.
- The Pocatello Veterans Home Built on property donated by Idaho State University, provides large windows throughout the facility allow residents to watch the wildlife that visits the grounds, including Canada geese, duck, deer, squirrels, chipmunks, and a variety of birds

Soldiers Homes – Oregon – [Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs : Oregon Veterans' Homes : Oregon Veterans' Homes : State of Oregon](#)

- The Dalles was the first State Veterans Home in Oregon, opening 1997. It’s 15 acres is nestled on a hillside, overlooking the majestic Columbia River, with clear views of the Columbia River Gorge, the Columbia River, the Dalles Dam and the majestic Mount Hood.
- The Lebanon “Edward C. Allworth” Veterans’ Home, is the second Veterans' Home in Oregon. Organized around the idea of an intentional community or neighborhood with up to three houses per neighborhood, and each house accommodates up to 14 eligible residents.

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Youth Activities – Pocatello

Spearheaded by Council 892 and State Youth / Activities Director Keith Riemersma, award winners in the “Keep Christ in Christmas” and “Free Throw Contest” were distributed at St. Anthony’s Chapel on Thursday, May 26th just prior to the Holy Spirit Catholic School starting morning classes.



Kelsie Chapman the “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest State Winner, and Council 892 and State Youth / Activities Director Keith Riemersma, with Grand Knight Mike Doellman looking on.



*Top row L to R - Council & State Youth / Activities Director Keith Riemersma, Jim Robinson, Grand Knight - Mike Doellman, Dave Molitor and Dave Berry.
Bottom row L to R - State Free Throw Championship 2022 winners Keenan Gonzales and Corban Christensen. Not pictured Rosie Wheat.*



Free Throw Championship 2022

*Top row L to R - Council & State Youth & Activities Director Keith Riemersma, Jim Robinson, Dave Berry and Grand Knight - Mike Doellman.
Bottom row L to R - Karianne Earnest- School Principal, Nevaeh Cardenas, Kelsie Chapman, Avel Taft, Chijioko Njoku, Keenan Gonzalez, Ben Earnest, Macee Smith, Jazlynn Clark. Not Pictured Bryn Christensen, Corban Christensen, Kellen Ward, Rosie Wheat.*



Free Throw Championship 2022

Top row L to R - Karianne Earnest School Principal, Council & State Youth & Activities Director Keith Riemersma, Jim Robinson, Dave Berry and Grand Knight - Mike Doellman. In front: Corban Christensen and Bryn Christensen

Pancake Breakfast - Meridian

From: Jerry Sullivan

The Knights at Holy Spirit Council #11548 wrapped their fiscal year fundraising efforts with one last pancake breakfast at Holy Apostles in Meridian. "Fundraising the past two years has been greatly supported by the parish, especially with our new Cinnamon Roll Campaigns, but its nice to offer pancake breakfasts for socializing with fellow parish members," said Dennis Kuntz, Council chairperson for both events. "So many new church members enjoy meeting people at the breakfast, so I'm happy to oversee this event." Brother Kuntz runs two shifts of volunteers and has overseen the breakfast for over ten years. The average number of people for the breakfast is about 350-375. Menu is pancakes, eggs, sausage, applesauce, orange juice, apple juice and coffee. All funds collected are donations and profits are gifted to local charities.



(L-R) Working the 11:00 AM Mass shift pictured here are: SK Ken Duplex; SK Joe James; SK Richard Pacheco; SK Mike Wissel; Brother Parker Butler; SK Bruce Hanni. (Kneeling) Brother Dennis Kuntz and SK Dennis Shaul. Additional volunteers: SK Daryl Staskey; SK John Behrend, SK John Howe, SK JD Heithoff, SK Wade Carlson, SK Joe Wax, Brother Burt Quiaja, Brother Kent Gardner, and Brother Mike Etzel.

Right to Life Mass - Meridian

From: Jerry Sullivan

Fr. Vitalis Onyeama, SMMM, pastor of Holy Apostles in Meridian, with Fr. Gregory Vance, SJ, Bishop Kelly High School and Deacon David Shackley, celebrated an outdoor mass on a vacant lot in the Sparrowhawk business park in Meridian on Saturday May 21st. The Right to Life service is hosted bi-annually by Holy Spirit Council #11548 and Bishop Sylvester Treinen Assembly #2751 on a lot owned by Awaken Church, which is between Stanton House and facing Planned Parenthood. About 75 attend the Right to Life service, which also included saying a rosary prior to mass.

"We should not be Catholics that compromise," said Fr. Vitalis. "We all are praying for the end of abortion. We should not support the killing of innocent lives with abortion. We as Catholics should support and protect human life and dignity from conception until natural death," he said in his homily.



(R-L) SK Dave Innerbichler; SK John Howe; SK Mike Wissel; GK Dave Cereghino; CCC Joe Cardona; FN Walter Boisvert; SK John Behrend; SK Robert Tratz.





We brought in 27 new members for this month and only need 41 more new members to reach our circle of honor goal and we only have 1 more month left in this fraternal year. The following incentives are still in effect until the end of the year. It's not too late to have church drives in June to bring in new members. If anyone would like some help doing one just let me or one of the state officers know and we would be more than happy to help out.

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Which runs through June 30, 2022.

4TH QUARTER INCENTIVE

Supreme is offering a monetary incentive if the state meets or succeeds its monthly goals in the remaining months of the fraternal year. Our goals have been set at 24 new members for April, 23 new members for May and 27 new members for June. The state will receive the money and in turn split it amongst the councils that bring in two or more members. It looks like we will fall a little short for the month of May but we can recover with a good push in June.

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Roy Bartholomay - Idaho State Deputy

Dear Brother Knights,

Welcome to the 14 new brother Knights brought into our Councils during May. As I sat down to write this month's message, I am now realizing that I only have one month left to serve as your State Deputy. When I think back about what I had hoped our state would achieve when I started 2 years ago, I am still overwhelmed by what we have accomplished. We were able to put several thousand coats on kids and adults in need, fed thousands of families, and put 4 new ultrasounds in clinics to help pregnant women make choices about life. Last month touring the Open Arms Facility in Coeur d' Alene and seeing the heartbeat of the baby 5 weeks old brought tears to my eyes when I realize we still need to fight for these babies' lives!

As we look forward to June, please continue to support all your councils' great programs you did this past year and submit your Columbian award application to Supreme. Although we fell short of our May goal for the Supreme membership incentive-we can still work to earn money for June; our goal for the Supreme incentive is 29 new members in June. Also, councils should please promote the Ed Slott insurance promotion night on Thursday June 23. Thank you for your friendship these past 10 years serving for the Idaho State Council.

Vivat Jesus.

