

& nights of Columbus Idaho State Newsletter December 2022



FOREWORD

Advent is a time to prepare our hearts and souls for the celebration of Jesus Christ's birth. We all do this in our own unique way, yet one thing we have in common is prayer.

I want you to consider joining the brand-new Knights of Columbus sponsored prayer and faith-sharing group initiative. It's called the COR (Latin for Heart) meeting and is a great way to grow spiritually, and a great way to draw closer to God. COR group meetings are Knights-hosted events that take place at a different place and time than the council business or social meetings. You can invite Catholic men who are not Knights. The meeting involves prayer, faith formation, fraternity, FOOD, and an invitation to upcoming Knights events of the council before the closing prayer. COR groups will meet at least once a month (or more if the group chooses) and will be faith filled and fun!

For more information, ask your Grand Knight, your District Deputy, or the Evangelization and Faith Formation Team of Sean Burlile, Pat King, and Kevin Tuuri. I hope you join a COR group; you will be glad you did. Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year to you!

Grand Knight Training

Thank you to all the men who attended the Grand Knights Training! It was not easy getting off work and/or driving the extra miles to Boise to learn what this most important leadership position is all about and what it can be. Making such a sacrifice of your time and resources proves your commitment to your office, to your council, to your pastor, to your community, and to God. You are on the fast track to success, and I expect to hear great things about you and your councils.



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Welcome New Knights!

Congratulations for joining the largest Catholic Fraternal Organization in the world! God's Army. In November 2022, these men listed or joined the council cited

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Order	First	Last	Cited	Date	
	20.00		Council	Joined	
1.	Hector	Saucedo	10581	11/3/2022	
2.	Ganin	Rodriguez	892	11/4/2022	
3.	Braedon	Higby	892	11/7/2022	
4.	George	Ineck	892	11/7/2022	
5.	Matthew	Oberle	892	11/7/2022	
6.	Ralph	Perry	1363	11/9/2022	
7.	James	Ponzo	5444	11/16/2022	
8.	Michael	Winn	11548	11/17/2022	
9.	Elias	Estrada	1663	11/20/2022	
10.	Gerald	Parmentier	1389	11/23/2022	
11.	Benjamin	Wilson	1363	11/29/2022	

Recruits by Number

In November, recruiting slowed down a bit as we worked new members into programs and gave Thanksgiving to God for our many blessings.

Congratulations to District Deputies Cory Newell (5) and Brian Simer (7) and District Warden Doug Munson (7) who led the recruiting effort statewide

	District	Goal	Year	Nov	Percent
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	5	18	10	3	55.60%
ł	7	15	6	3	40.00%
1	10	18	2	2	11.10%
	2	22	0	1	100.00%
ľ	4	20	12	1	60.00%
	11	13	1	1	7.70%
	1	24	25	0	104.20%
	3	19	15	0	78.90%
	6	17	9	0	52.90%
	8	15	4	0	26.70%

Recruiting By Council

Four councils hit their annual goal and ensured the McGivney Award for 2022-2023!

Congratulations to **Grand Knights** <u>Rigoberto Gonzalez</u> 17462, <u>Keith Reimersma</u> 892, <u>Don Atha</u> 10581, and <u>David Cereghino</u> 11548 who have reached their annual goal in 5 months! Amazing!!

Golden is at or above goal, green is ahead of rate to make goal, light green is close. In all *28 councils have already recruited*.

Rank	Council	Dist.	Council	Total	Goal	Nov	Yr	%
1	17462	004	NSDG	51	5	0	7	140.00
2	892	002	Pocatello	194	11	1	13	118.18
3	10581	004	OLR	101	6	1	6	100.00
4	11548	005	Meridian	379	15	2	15	100.00
5	1363	010	Coeur D Alene	169	10	1	8	80.00
6	5444	003	Gooding	37	5	0	4	80.00
7	2014	005	Nampa	146	9	1	6	66.67
8	3086	007	Caldwell	152	9	2	6	66.67
9	1416	003	Twin Falls	147	8	0	5	62.50
10	12172	004	St. Marks	220	13	0	8	61.54
11	12854	005	Risen Christ	66	5	0	3	60.00
12	8310	006	Cathedral	68	5	0	2	40.00
13	12516	007	Fruitland	55	5	1	2	40.00
14	12953	001	St Anthony	30	5	0	2	40.00
15	1663	001	Idaho Falls	210	12	0	4	33.33
16	2792	002	Rupert	107	6	0	2	33.33
17	11623	010	Coeur D Alene	143	8	0	2	25.00
18	1024	008	Lewiston	166	9	0	2	22.22
19	2888	011	Sandpoint	79	5	0	1	20.00
20	3085	007	Emmett	41	5	0	1	20.00
21	3762	010	Kellogg	87	5	1	1	20.00
22	4013	006	Santa Maria	67	5	0	1	20.00
23	17059	005	Meridian	32	5	0	1	20.00
24	2685	003	Buhl	106	6	0	1	16.67
25	12560	010	Post Falls	106	6	0	1	16.67
26	899	006	Sacred Heart	118	7	0	1	14.29
27	3703	004	Mt Home	113	7	0	1	14.29
28	1397	009	Moscow	150	9	0	1	11.11

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Contest of Champions

Each state receives a magnificent Crystal Trophy from Supreme for the two highest achieving councils in membership that year.

- The Top Recruiting Council
- The Highest Recruiting Percentage.

The race is on!

Here are the early leaders by annual recruiting. The previous table shows the percentage leaders.

Rank	Council	Dist.	Council	Goal	Nov	Year Intake
1.	11548	5	Meridian	15	2	15
2.	892	2	Pocatello	11	1	13
3.	1363	10	Coeur D Alene	10	1	15
4.	12172	4	St. Marks	13	0	8
5.	17462	4	NSDG	5	0	7
6.	10581	4	OLR	6	1	6
7.	2014	5	Nampa	9	1	6
8.	3086	7	Caldwell	9	2	6

District Rankings by Percentage

Ranked by Percent or Numbers recruited it's the same!

Congratulations to District Deputies Cory Newell and Paul Petro who have reached their annual goal in 5 months! Amazing!!

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7	15	6	40.00%				
8	15	4	26.70%				
9	11	2	18.20%				
10	18	2	11.10%				
11	13	1	7.70%				

Top Recruiters

Thank you for helping to replenish our ranks and grow the Order of Knights of Columbus.

COUNCIL #	#	RECRUITER	
892 3		DAVID 'NEILL	
2014 2		DAVID H KING	
892 1 ROY C BARTHOLOM		ROY C BARTHOLOMAY	
1363 1		LEON R LUTOVSKY	
1663	1	DONALD R WIND	
3086	1	PATRICK J KING	
15304	1	RICHARD W MASTELLER	
17059	1	HENRY R SCHORR	
1.1			

Recruiting District's by Percentage District Year Goal Percent <mark>104.1%</mark> <mark>100.0%</mark> <mark>78.9%</mark> 60.0% <mark>55.5%</mark> <mark>52.9%</mark> 40.0% 18.75% 18.18% 8.00% 5.26%

Recruiting Raffle Winners			
	Dolph Dorn		
New Member:	Ralph Perry		

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Form 10784 Submissions

These numbers represent the Fraternal Programs Report #10784 forms submitted to Supreme by each council. A running total will be presented in the newsletter throughout the fraternal year, with a goal of seeing every council on this list. To submit the #10784 go here:

Council	Quarter 1	October	November	Total
1663		1	10	11
1397	3	1	5	9
2014	4	1	1	6
1416	4		1	5
3085	3	1		4
17059	2	2		4
5444		3		3
11623	2	1		3
899	1	1	1	3
3086	2			2
1024	1	1		2
12516	1	1		2
3703	1		1	2
1363	See.	1	5 m 1	1

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Submitted By: Nick Pettinger Idaho State Programs Director

Faith Directors Report



Keep Planning Eucharistic Processions!

The Feast of Corpus Christi is on June 11, 2023. Please continue to promote and plan Eucharistic Processions for that day. If you have any pictures from your procession, please submit them to <u>idahokofc.org/submit-news-article/</u>

All Eucharistic Procession resources, including an instructional guidebook and video, can be found at <u>kofc.org/eucharist.</u>

Youth Director Report

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest:

This should be underway in your councils. We had good participation last year. District winning posters need to be forwarded to me for consideration of state and Supreme awards by the end of January.

Soccer Challenge:

District results of soccer challenges need to be forwarded to me for state champions and submittal to Supreme. These need to be to me before the end of the year.

Hockey Challenge:

District results of hockey challenges need to be forwarded to me for state champions and submittal to Supreme. These need to be to me before end the end of January.

Basketball Free Throw Contest:

Planning should be underway for Free Throw Contests. Council competitions should be held in January and February. District results need to be to me by the end of March.

Respectively Submitted Keith J. Riemersma Idaho State Youth Director

General Agent Remarks

Merry Christmas! To all my brothers and their families, I extend my very best wishes for a merry and a blessed Christmas. As we are celebrating the Christmas season, we give thanks that God sent his Only Begotten Son to live among us and save us! That gift from the Father sets the stage for our giving gifts at Christmas.

It seems we say it every year: "It's Christmas; where did the year go?" Seems like a good time to look back on the year and note all the gifts given by you and our members worldwide. As Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly mentioned in his annual report this year in Nashville, Tennessee, we have much to be thankful for and much more work ahead of us.

Consider these gifts that SK Kelly mentioned. The Order gave more that \$154 million and more than 48 million hours of volunteer service. But those are the big totals. Look at these specifics: we gave the gift of warmth to more than 150,000 children through the Coats for Kids campaign. We gave 8,891 physically challenged individuals the gift of mobility this year through our wheelchair program. We raised more than \$19 million for Ukraine support and gave those families the gift of respite at Mercy Centers and Easter packages. RSVP gave the gift of financial support to nearly 5,900 seminarians or postulants. And we had more than 450,000 members give the gift of life through donating blood. These are gifts that change lives. Real people, real individuals benefited from these gifts.

As I consider Christmas I think of the gift of support and encouragement that you have given me. I appreciate the opportunity to work with you and your families this past year and I look forward to a new year and renewing connections with you. Again, a very Merry and Blessed Christmas!

Vivat Jesus! Kevin Tuuri, FICF General Agent, Knights of Columbus 844.370.1856 Kevin.tuuri@kofc.org

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Events Around the State – December 2022 Dan Moberg - State Secretary

The Idaho Knights of Columbus serve our communities in a wide variety of ways, community events, donations to charities, and building up the Church. Each month we highlight noteworthy activities from each district who participate by providing us with activity reports. For more information on the activities listed, contact the council or District Deputy.

DISTRICT 1

Idaho Falls #1663 Bingo – 12/13 & 1/10 – 5:30 pm in CTK Hall

Promotion of Hispanic Roundtable – Posadas are planned nightly from 12/16 to 12/22 at the Holy Rosary cafeteria.

Social Meeting – 12/20 at 8pm -

Christmas Intentional Rosary - 12/25 – 8:30 am – at CTK Church

First Friday Rosary and Mass – 6:00 pm

St. Anthony #12953 Spanish Retreat – 12/17 – 8am to 5pm Mary Immaculate Church in St. Anthony

Idaho Knights in Action



Exemplary Service

On Sunday 11/06/2022, Walter Donovan was recognized by the Knights Council of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish in Boise for his distinguished and exemplary service. He received a plaque during Mass celebrated by the Church Pastor, Fr. Dat Vu.

The Distinguished and Exemplary Service Award is a new yearly recognition that has been introduced by the Family Directorate of the Council. Walt is the first recipient.

Walt is a Knight at OLR, Boise. He has been a Knight for over 36 years and served in positions as Financial Secretary, Trustee, Grand Knight, Lecturer and Recorder. Walt is married to Rita and blessed with 3 sons and 10 grandchildren.

Walt is a retired Brigadier General, Senior Lawyer in US Marine Corps when he retired in 1985 and then a Civilian Prosecutor for 12 years.

Walt has served the parish in several capacities such as Funerals, Vocations at 7:00pm etc. He sponsors seminarians and retired priests. He has organized the Pancake Breakfast for over 17 years and the Blood Drive for 5 years.

Walt still attends Mass regularly despite his octagenian old age and having to take care of his wife.

Walt is indeed a Model Knight with profound Catholic values for Fathers, Grandparents.

Congratulations Walt for this well-deserved recognition.

Submitted By: John Matovu Council 10531

10581 Family of the Month

David is a Knight and Financial Secretary of the Knights OLR Council 10581. Also participates in Reel Men, Parish Council and Choir Member. Judy and David are in Agape Seekers, a bible study group takeoff from LIFT. Judy does Mary's Garden in which David helps and also the potted plants outside church. Also, member of Marthas and Marys. Both David and Judy both volunteer extensively for Saint Vincent De Paul.

> Submitted By: John Matovu Council 10581



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Summer Activities

St. Mary's-Boise Council 12531



The Foodbank haul is from our initial venture with a re-usable bags we hand out every other month on one weekend and collect the next. It was very successful and we conservatively estimate that we took in 3000 Lbs of items for our food bank-the pic is only from the Saturday evening Mass... Took place in July.



The yard work pic some of my Knights & Sam Morano helping out a parishioner who is the full-time caretaker for his wife & son. Pictured, L-R, are Jeffri Bohlscheid, monthly breakfast coordinator; DGK/Chancellor Peter Wargo; Community Affairs Dir. Tim Haus; Sam Murano GK/Projects Dir.; Jose Garcia, 1-year Trustee. Took place in August



The Veteran recognition photo took place this past Sunday. We recognized all of our Veterans at each English Mass over the weekend and handed out a red, white & blue ribbon with a gold star. Clockwise from bottom L are GK Sam Murano, PGK Bob Tratz; Navy Veteran on hospice is Chuck McDonald, who has held several Officer positions over the years; Jose G-Sedano; Trustee Jose Garcia; DGK Peter Wargo.

> Submitted By: Sam Morano Grand Knight, Council 12531

Potatoes & Onions Sales

Our Lady of the Rosary Council 18581 sold over \$1600 of potatoes and onions this year and a few of us got together to bag them for distribution...see photos.

Many go to St. Vincent DePaul Thanksgiving food box drive. Half of our net proceeds our given to a designated charity.

Note many potatoes were very large. The one held by Grand Knight Don Atha weighed over 2 lbs.!

> Submitted By: David Brown OLR Council 10581









Posting of Flags

Knights from Assembly 185, Glen Abbott, Denny McMonigle, Gary Fessler, Lee Lutovsky (not pictured), and Eagle Scout James Laker posted flags at St Thomas cemetery at 6:00 a.m. on 11-11 in honor of veterans. Flags were posted on each end of each row of graves due to snow coverage.

> Submitted By: Mike Anderson St. Thomas Council 1363



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One Man's Crusade

Brother Pat King of Council 3086 of Our lady of the Valley in Caldwell has been doing a peaceful protest at one of the sixty-five stores that will pay their employees \$4,000.00 to get an abortion. He has been doing it for eleven days so far. He goes there every other Sunday.

Why this one you may ask. Well of the sixty-five companies this one is closest to our area and a easy drive from anywhere in the Treasure Valley. The response from the public has been interesting to say the least. The language of those who support abortion is way to colorful to print or even repeat.

Pat has heard responses like, who cares or why do you care. Other comments such as, you're not a woman and you a man and you have no right to have a say in this matter. How about this one, oh great I'll give them more money. There are more comments and many finger gestures of those who support abortion. But the positive side out ways the negative side. Thank you so very much, I won't shop there again, God Bless You, I had no idea, their paying their employees to murder their babies. May God forgive them.

To date about five dozen families said they won't shop there any longer and one sports league group with four thousand youth dropped their sponsorship relationship with this one company. If a woman has a real life threating situation every hospital is equipped to handle these problems. Abortion is not a means of birth control.

Our God is a loving and caring God. Repent and you are forgiven. But I wonder where it says woe to those who harm the little ones. Aren't the babies the little ones? There are so many lost souls and we all need to pray for them. Who will help them if we don't?

Submitted By: Joseph Zahnle Photography





Coats for Kids

On Friday November 25, eight Knights of Columbus members from Pocatello council 892 helped about 50 people get coats for their kids. First picture is young lady getting sized for a coat with Grand Knight Keith Reimersma working in the background. Second picture is a happy child showing her new coat.



Submitted By: Roy Bartholomay PSD, Pocatello Council 892



4th Degree Social

On Saturday November 26, about 25; Knights and friends gathered for a 4th degree social at Past State Deputy Roy Bartholomay's house to watch the Notre Dame-USC football game. Although the game did not end well for the Irish fans, good food and fraternity was shared by all that came. First picture shows Council 892 Treasurer Peter Jackson, Past State Deputy Dan Anthony, Faithful Navigator Bart Cameron, and Council 892 Grand Knight Keith Reimersma enjoying some food and conversation.



Submitted By: Roy Bartholomay PSD, Pocatello Council 892



Knights of the Month



Chaplain Father Remiglus and St. Thomas Council 1363 Grand Knight, Dave Rusconi. Presents Brother John Paul Jenne' his Knight of the Month Award. Brother Joe is the son of Trustee and PGK Kevin Jenne'

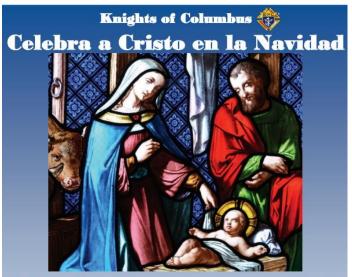


District Deputy Rich Freedle and Grand Knight Dave Rusconi presents the PGK/Trustee Lee Lutovsky his Knight of the Month award for his many contributions, especially our big successful Coats for Kids project.

> Submitted By: Mike Anderson St. Thomas Council 1363

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Keep Christ In Christmas



Invitamos a las familias a unirse a nosotros en una celebración para representar el Nacimiento de la Luz del Mundo.

Ingrese a los Caballero de Colón

MEMBRESÍA GRATIS*

Para nuevas solicitudes de membresía en línea enviadas durante todo el mes de noviembre. *por el 1er año, las cuotas regulares son \$ 30/año a partir de entonces

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Knights of Columbus 🐡 Keep Christ In Christmas



We invite families to join us in a celebration to signify the birth of the Light of the World.

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For new online membership applications submitted the entire month of November. *for 1-year of online membership, regular dues are \$30/year thereafter.

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Breakfast & Raffle

Idaho Falls Council 1663 and Assembly 187 joined forces to stage a successful brunch and raffle on November 6 to benefit Birthright in Idaho Falls. Chaired by DGK John Garnier, this special ASAP project was a huge success, netting over \$4200 for Birthright that has been matched by Supreme to raise over \$5000 for this worthy cause.





Submitted By: Don Wind Council 1663

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Silver Rose Tour 2023



Supreme has given the Idaho Jurisdiction the dates of 06/04/2023 to 07/08/2023. The Rose will be coming from the Washington Jurisdiction and I will ask their contact to transfer the Rose in the Lewiston area. The Rose will be going to the Oregon Jurisdiction and I will communicate with their contact to coordinate the transfer. To date, I have received one commitment from the Caldwell Council to participate in this year's Silver Rose Tour.

Please contact me at davidepalumbo2013@hotmail.com to communicate your commitment to conduct a Silver Rose service.

Peace, Dave Palumbo, Silver Rose Idaho 2023 Tour Chair 208-440-1736

1363 Star Council

Members of St. Thomas Council 1363 were at the November business meeting, when District Deputy Rich Freedle (front row, far left with red ribbon) presented the council with its Star Council Award. Next to DD Freedle are PGK/Trustee Lee Lutovsky (receiving the award), current GK Dave Rusconi, Financial Secretary Bill Larson, DGK John Lasher. Of note is our Seminarian, Brother Ian Willnerd, in the back row between Lee and Dave.

Submitted By: Mike Anderson St. Thomas Council 1363



Coat Distribution



Nick (and Erika) Pettinger (Round Table Coordinator in Wood River Valley / Idaho State Program Director) dropping off at Sage Women's Center in Twin Falls.

A baby item drive was conducted this past October and distributed in November by the roundtable in Wood River Valley which is associated with the Gooding Council 5444.



Fellow Knight Mike and his wife Mary McGonigal helping disperse items at The Hunger Coalition in the Wood River Valley.



One of a few drop-offs to The Advocates women's shelter in the Wood River Valley.

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Exemplification - Pocatello

On Saturday October 8th, Pocatello Council 892 held a full Knighthood degree ceremony of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity at St. John's Chapel in Pocatello on the Idaho State University campus in honor of Christopher Columbus. Thirteen new Knights including Father Emil Parafiniuk, along with Connor Brachtl, Cooper Dow, Peter Flores, Warren Hiller, Ethan Lang, Nick Laing, James Law, Angel Lemos, Brett Lloyd, Jesse Manzanares, Ricky Ramos, and Michael Ward.

In addition, David O'Neill went from being a First-Degree Knight to full Knighthood. The degree team included Keith Riemersma as Grand Knight, PKG Mike Doellman did the lesson on Charity; Roy Bartholomay did the lesson on Unity and presented the rosaries and pins with Warden Al Nelson; with Rick Laws doing the lesson on Fraternity. Father Emil served as the Chaplain. Several ISU friends and family participated and a meal was served by Pat Taney and Arnold Ortiz of Council 892 following the Degree work.

Roy Bartholomay, Past State Deputy

New Knight Father Emil Parafiniuk addressing his fellow Brothers.

Degree Team ... Front row L to R: Rick Laws and Roy Bartholomay, PSD. Back row L to R: Al Nelson, PGK; Mike Doellman, PGK; and Keith Riemersma, GK & State Youth / Activities Director.





Past State Deputy Roy Bartholomay attaching pins to new Knights assisted by Al Nelson.

Memorial Mass - Pocatello

The annual Memorial Mass for deceased Brothers and Family members of Pocatello Council 892 took place at St. Anthony's Chapel on November 13th at the 11:00am Mass. Brothers honored this year were Scott Wight; Lee Hill; Bob Hoffman; Bill Wiench; and Fred Davis. Family members included: Kathy Peterson (wife of Brother Dave); Theresa Samora (daughter of Brother Oliver Samora, Sr.); Bridget Durante (daughter of Brother Art Gates); and Theresa Lords (great-grand-daughter of Brother Ralph Frey). May the Souls of the Faithfully Departed Rest in Peace.

Many thanks to Fr. Henry Carmona for officiating. Additional gratitude to Richard Schultz for chairing the activity along with GK Keith Riemersma for leading the Ceremony; Brian Hinz as Recorder doing the Roll Call of Officers; Richard Schultz handling the Warden duties; Rick Laws for taking pictures; and Kerry Hennessy for streaming the Ceremony to the Parish website. There were a total of around 20 parishioners who stayed after Mass to view the Ceremony. A reception was held in the Parish Hall with soup, sandwiches; doughnuts and coffee attended by around 40 people including some with kids from the Mass.





L to R: GK Keith Riemersma; Recorder Brian Hinz at the ambo doing the Roll Call of Officers; Warden Richard Schultz is ready to cover the Honored Brother chair cards as absent; with Fr. Henry following along with the Ceremony outline.

GK Keith Riemersma going through the final aspects of the Memorial Mass Ceremony template.

Check & Coats



(L to R) John McCabe, coat drive chairmen; Tom Pung, Grand Knight; Max Nuxoll, Community Director;Jennifer Wallace, HUB Supervisor.

Lewiston Council 1024 Knights delivered coats and a check for \$2000 to the Lewiston School District's "HUB" program which helps to provide food, clothes, and school supplies for students. It also connects families to community resources for counseling and therapy. The HUB program supports all preschool, elementary, junior high, and high schools within the School District.

> Submitted by: Max Nuxall Lewiston Council 1024

Men In Black - Pocatello

For the last 10 years the St. John Vianney Society has created an calendar featuring priests around Idaho with net proceeds from donations going to support seminarians. Please look for the calendar in your parish typically available from the first of November to the end of the year. Get more information on its Facebook page.



Dave Molitor presenting the 2023 "Men in Black" calendar to Shannon Chlumski. Her husband Reece is a member of Council 892 and a 4th Degree of Bishop Gorman Assembly.

Stair lift

A stair lift was bought with donations from the Pennies from Heaven Fund and donations from St. Thomas Council 1363 and individual members. It is a used stair lift that was found in Helena which was picked up and installed by GK



Dave Rusconi in Past Grand knight Ed Livingston's home for his personal use. Many thanks to the PFH Fund for its assistance in making this project a reality.

Submitted By: Mike Anderson St. Thomas Council 1363

Veterans Home Support Pocatello

On Wednesday, November 16th at Pocatello's Idaho State Veterans Home, Dave Molitor (right), Faithful Comptroller of Bishop Gorman Assembly, made a \$600.00 donation to Administrator Josiah Dahlstrom. KC Patriotism on full display supporting our heroes.





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Veterans Day Parade - poky

The first Pocatello Veterans Day Parade in **80 years** was held on Saturday, November 12th and the Knights of Columbus Council 892 and members of Bishop Gorman Assembly were proud to participate.

Here is the list of thanks that made this successful activity happen ...

Chairperson: Dan Anthony, PSD FDM

Pictures: Heidi Jacoby

Vehicle Driver: Arnold Ortiz, Jr.

<u>4th Degree Regalia</u>: Kerry Hennessy, PSD; Bart Cameron, PFN; Rick Laws; and Roy Bartholomay, PSD.

<u>Veterans</u>: KC Peter Jackson (US Navy); Marna Wallace (US Army & sister of Roy Bartholomay); and Meg Van Minsel (US Navy).

<u>Float Construction</u>: Pat Taney (US Army); and Tom Reding & numerous others (see pics below).

Transportation: Don Tehle

<u>Candy Coordination</u>: Pat Taney, PGK; and Arnold Ortiz, Sr.

<u>Troup 315 Scouts</u>: Scoutmaster John Crawford and 6 scouts who passed out the candy.





Past State Deputy Roy Bartholomoy leading the way for the Pocatello & Chubbuck Knights of Columbus float.



FLOAT PREP





EIDAHO CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, FEB. 4TH 2023 St. Paul's, Nampa | Online

- Mass with Bishop Peter
- Keynotes by Msgr. James P. Shea & MLB All-Star Michael John Sweeney
- Reconcilliation & Adoration
- Breakfast, Lunch, Wine & Cheese Fellowship hour

Early Bird \$49 thru 1/15/23 Online, student, active military, deacon: \$29

Learn more and register at: IdahoCatholicMen.org or call: (208)344-4774

Come to Nampa or join the watch party at Guadalupe Chapel in Twin Falls!

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Idaho Knights Of Columbus Charities & Programs

- Helping Hands
- Coats For Kids
- Wheelchair Mission
- Habitat For Humanity
- Veterans Assistance

- Stanton Healthcare
- Aid And Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)
- Birthright.Org
- Open Arms
- Special Olympics

Tickets have been distributed to all district Deputies to be distributed to each council. If your council did not receive there's, please see your district deputy. You can purchase a ticket on-line at <u>www.idahokofc.org/2023-raffle/</u>

Billboards

Gooding Council 5444 along with Jerome Council 8780 annually posted billboards locally announcing Keep Christ in Christmas. This year we went one better inviting Hailey, Jerome, Twin Falls, and Buhl to share the cost and put up two automated billboards on the interstate around Jerome.



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Through Advent we spiritually prepare for the coming of Our Lord Jesus, at his second coming, in many personal ways through our lives, and especially as a baby at his birth. God gave us the greatest gift possible, his only Son, to save us from our sin and purchase for us the possibility of eternal life with God forever. In imitation of God, we give gifts to one another on Christmas. But can we give a present to God? Yes. The life we live. Our acts of charity, or love, to one another. When you love your neighbor as yourself, we are showing God that we love Him by obeying His second greatest commandment, and thereby fulfilling his Greatest Commandment to Love him above all else.

My Brothers, we are part of one of the greatest charity-giving organizations the world has ever known, the Knights of Columbus. I am proud to share this brotherhood with all of you, and to offer it to other Catholic men, for their good and for those whose lives they touch. For when we build the Knights, we increase the cardinal virtue of charity in the world, increase love of neighbor, and increase love of God. In all these ways, we can give a gift to God. Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year to you!

George Mesina Idaho State Deputy