

Knights of Columbus

Idaho State Newsletter

June 2023



FOREWORD

Worthy Brothers,

June is the time to make the final push to achieve those awards your council has worked for all year, by the end of May, these Idaho Councils have already qualified for these awards.

Congratulations Award-winning councils!

Founders Award Winners

Pocatello 892, Sacred Heart 899, Lewiston 1024, St. Thomas the Apostle 1363, Moscow 1397, Twin Falls 1416, Idaho Falls 1663, Nampa 2014, Rupert 2792, Emmet 3085, Caldwell 3086, Mountain Home 3703, Santa Maria 4013, St John's Cathedral 8310, Our Lady of the Rosary 10581, Meridian 11548, St Pius X 11623, St. Marks 12172, Fruitland 12516, St. Mary's 12531, Weiser 13089

McGivney Award Winners

Pocatello 892, Sacred Heart 899, St. Thomas the Apostle 1363, Twin Falls 1416, Idaho Falls 1663, Nampa 2014, Emmet 3085, Caldwell 3086, Santa Maria 4013, Gooding 5444, Our Lady of the Rosary 1081, Meridian 11548, St. Marks 12172, Fruitland 12516, St. Anthony 12953, Weiser 13089, Nueatra Senora de Guadalupe 17462

Columbian Award Winners

Pocatello 892, Twin Falls 1416, Idaho Falls 1663, Emmet 3085, Caldwell 3086, Meridian 11548, St Pius X 11623, St. Marks 12172, Fruitland 12516, Weiser 13089

STAR Council

Pocatello 892, Twin Falls 1416, Idaho Falls 1663, Emmet 3085, Caldwell 3086, Meridian 11548, St. Marks 12172, Fruitland 12516, Weiser 13089

DOUBLE STAR!!

Pocatello 892

The Columbian award application is easy to fill out. Contact your DD or me if you need help. Some councils need only 1 or 2 members to win the McGivney, you can bring in a new Knight in 5 minutes with your cellphone using KofC.org/join. The state council is ready to help. Call us!

Vivat Jesus!

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Welcome new Knights

New E-members. 6 more came in through Form 100s. They are not listed here because Supreme needs longer to process them All New Knights are welcomed to Idaho and your councils!

12172	5/5/2023	Timothy	Keenan
2792	5/6/2023	Br Ronald	Onyekwelu
1663	5/7/2023	Minh Quang	Nguyen
1663	5/7/2023	David	Sosnowski
12560	5/8/2023	Ronald	Spooner
8310	5/15/2023	Carrol	Howe
12560	5/14/2023	Pierre	St Pierre
11623	5/17/2023	Miguel	Amezola
10581	5/31/2023	Aric	McCullough

May's Recruiters

Thank you to our brace recruiters. You are helping to grow the Army of God Which is the Knights of Columbs, so that we can build the Body of Christ, the Church.

2014	3683320	4	DAVID H KING	NAMPA ID 83687-8157
1663	4936871	1	CLEVELAND M METCALF	IDAHO FALLS ID 83401-3853
1663	4936861	1	DONALD R WIND	RIGBY ID 83442-5911
3086	3528060	1	PAUL J FORD	CALDWELL ID 83605-6288
3762	1936096	1	LAWRENCE R SEABOLT	OSBURN ID 83849-0652
8310	2445405	1	GEORGE E MICHEL	BOISE ID 83713-3857
10581	2388629	1	BRUCE J DE VINO	BOISE ID 83705-6041
11548	2135637	1	DARYL M STASKEY	MERIDIAN ID 83646-1806
11548	4927795	1	ROBERT A FULFORD II	BOISE ID 83704-1235
11623	5348797	1	MR DANIEL MUHA	COEUR D ALENE ID 83815-3751
12560	5199974	1	DAVID KRELL	POST FALLS ID 83854-7764
12560	5013657	1	PAUL D SPOONER	POST FALLS ID 83854-9535
17059	4993950	1	HENRY R SCHORR	EAGLE ID 83616-6804
17059	4412030	1	TRAVIS D WINGO	MERIDIAN ID 83642-8132

Star Council Needs

For Columbian Award, the chart shows if you need one SP7 form accepted at Supreme. For McGivney Award, it shows the number of knights you still need For FOUNDERS Award, it shows how many Fraternal Benefits Events (FBE) SEC stands for the number of positions you need for Safe Environment Compliance STAR if you have zero needs,

Dist.	Council	Need SP7	Need Knights	Need FBE	Need SEC
2	892	0	0	0	0
6	899	1	0	0	0
8	1024	1	5	0	0
10	1363	0	0	0	0
8	1389	1	9	2	3
9	1397	1	1	0	0
3	1416	0	0	0	0
9	1554	1	5	2	0
1	1663	0	0	0	0
5	2014	1	0	0	0
3	2685	1	2	2	3
2	2792	1	3	0	3
11	2888	1	4	2	2
2	3013	1	3	2	4
7	3085	0	0	0	0
7	3086	0	0	0	0
4	3703	0	6	0	1
10	3762	1	3	2	3
6	4013	1	0	2	4
8	4058	1	6	2	2
9	4585	1	5	2	0
11	4777	1	4	2	3
3	5444	1	0	2	0
1	8283	1	5	2	0
6	8310	1	2	0	2
3	8780	1	6	2	3
4	10581	1	0	2	0
5	11548	0	0	0	0
10	11623	0	1	0	0
4	12172	0	0	0	0
7	12516	0	0	0	0
6	12531	1	4	0	1
10	12560	0	4	0	0
5	12854	1	1	2	2
2	12881	1	5	2	4
1	12953	1	0	2	4
7	13089	0	0	0	0
11	15304	1	3	2	0
5	17059	1	3	2	0
4	17462	1	0	1	0

Star District

District	944	Intake	DD Quota % Achieved	Star Councils	Founders %	
1	3	18	120.00%	1	33%	
2	4	35	184.21%	1	50%	STAR
3	4	18	100.00%	1	25%	
4	4	30	136.36%	1	50%	STAR
5	4	40	166.67%	1	50%	STAR
6	4	15	100.00%	0	75%	
7	4	25	147.06%	4	100%	ALL STAR
8	0	5	27.78%	0	33%	
9	3	7	53.85%	0	33%	
10	4	22	110.00%	1	75%	STAR
11	3	4	36.36%	0	0%	

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 form 10784 please go here:

https://www.kofc.org/en/forms/spa/invite.html?lang=en&form=10784C.01

	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter			
Council	1	2	3	April	May	Total
2014	4	20	8	1	1	34
1397	3	7	8	1		19
1663		13	5			18
3085	3	4	4	2		13
12172			9	3		12
1363		1	2	6	2	11
1416	4	2	3			9
1024	1	1	5			7
899	1	3	3			7
5444		6				6
17059	2	2				4
11623	2	1	1			4
3703	1	2			1	4
892		2	1			3
3086	2					2
12516	1	1				2

Submitted By: Nick Pettinger Idaho State Programs Director

Community Directors Report

In my conversations with the Supreme Community Director, I have learned that the Coats for Kids program will operate with the same rules as last year. The Coats for Kids program is the most successful program that Supreme supports. It's not too early to start planning IF YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE.

- 1. Once again, Supreme IS DOING a 1 to 1 matching program for State Councils this fraternal year for Black Friday Nov 23, 2023) distribution.
- 2. This offer only exists for the Idaho State Council and NOT INDIVIDUAL COUNCILS.
- 3. To participate in the matching program, the state council must approve the order and purchase coats through Knights Gear using council funds.
- 4. Like last year, this will require councils to communicate written information through District Deputies to the State Community Director se we can order coats from Supreme.
- 5. It will require you to identify and notify a news outlet that will cover the distribution. Just giving coats to Salvation Army, St. Vincent De Paul, or other organizations is not a Knights of Columbus distribution. The goal is to have Knights handing out coats to individuals in need and not hand them to another organization to hang on their rack or hand out. Supreme is looking for publicity in the newspaper, on the radio or television to show the members handing out coats. This demonstrates the Knights are not a secret organization but a charitable organization that gives profits to care of our citizens.
- 6. The council will need to tell the State and Supreme why you chose the particular place you are giving out coats. Like last year, councils will have to provide poverty statistics. The justification that we've always done it this way is not acceptable.
- 7. The State Council encourages neighboring councils to join together to make a public distribution. You might consider adding hats, gloves, or shoes/boots.

If any Council Community Director, Grand Knight, Financial Secretary or District Deputy has questions, or needs any information or guidance about these programs, please call/text me at 208-507-1058. My Email is maxnjoan@gmail.com.

Submitted by: Max Nuxoll Idaho Community Director



Regional Growth Director's Words

My Brothers

It has been an honor to serve you and see the great works of the Knights of Columbus in Idaho. You have done great this year and I know you will continue to do great work for the future. You don't need to be told how important you are, to our faith and as an example to our community. Your support for charity, example of faith, and of family. As I move to other jurisdictions, I always keep a piece of Idaho in my heart.

With the end of year finish up your paperwork and put in for the award's Supreme offers. This is a small thank you for all you do. You may not need the pat on the back, but as a priest once told me we as humans need affirmation. I congratulate all who will achieve Star, but also congratulate you on all the awards offered. You my only achieve Columbian, McGivney or Founders but these are achievements. From me personally congratulations and Thank You.

Now as the year ends the new year begins. This is a baton pass, finish strong and take off just as strong. Start by not closing for the summer. Host a BBQ, or Ice Cream social after mass. Think of those who can't get away for the summer. A young family only summer entertainment may be a Knights of Columbus (FREE) BBQ with kid's games. Who has graduated or moved in, don't wait to make him part of your community.

My Brothers, again it has been such an honor to get to know and serve you in Idaho. I will always pull and root for you. May God Bless you all.

Ray Lopez Regional Growth Director

Newsletter Editor Change

Brother Knights,

My name is Steve Green, the Grand Knight at Pope John Paul II Council 2014 for St. Paul's in Nampa. This is my first message to you all and I wanted to introduce myself because I will be the State Newsletter Editor beginning in July. Our Worthy State Warden (soon to be Worthy State Treasurer), Paul Petro, has done a great job with this duty, but going forward you'll be seeing requests for articles/upcoming events and the newsletter from me.

A little bit about me: I am a 4 th Degree Knight and have been in the Order since 2011. I am a convert to Catholicism and my RCIA sponsor was a huge advocate of the Knights of Columbus. He signed me up almost immediately and I've been active in my council ever since. I've held just about every position in the Council (except for Financial Secretary and Treasurer) and I'm a PFN too. My wife and I have been married for 20 years and we have two teenagers who we homeschool. My family and I have been inIdaho since 2013, when the US Air Force plopped us at Mountain Home (I have since retired from the Air Force and I now spend my time homeschooling my teens, volunteering in my parish community, and doing work with the Knights). I enjoy reading, writing, and have a BA in English from the University of Maryland and a MA in Theology from Holy Apostles College and Seminary in Cromwell, CT. I mentioned I'm a reader...so I ask you this: what was the last Catholic book you read? For me, there were two. A Catholic fiction novel called "Who Am I to Judge" by Emily Hanlon (it's a murder mystery hovering around two quirky Catholics) and "To the Heart of the Matter: The 40 Day Companion to Live a Culture of Life" by Shawn D. Carney (the author is also a Knight!).

I look forward to reading about and sharing the impressive work each of your Councils and Assemblies do throughout the great state of Idaho (and beyond). The work the Knights do is vitally important. "We must consider how to rouse one another to love and good works. We should not stay away from our assembly, as is the custom of some, but encourage one another, and this all the more as you see the day drawing near" (Hebrews 10:24).

Vivat Jesus! Steve Green

Vice Supreme Master

June 2023

Worthy Sir Knights,



All the State Conventions in our Province are over and the leadership within the many Councils were briefed on the important tasks ahead of us and celebrated the past accomplishments of all the good work completed. Even though we are planning for summer meetings and other church activities we were also reminded that the fraternal year is not over until June 30th. If you have an opportunity to inspire a fellow parishioner to become a Knight of Columbus or a current Knight to be elevated to the Fourth Degree, please don't let that moment pass. It is our obligation to as Catholics to bring people to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ, and so it stands with bringing men to be a Knight of Columbus.

I want to thank our State Deputy's for inviting me to their conventions, Washington State Deputy Kim Washburn, Oregon State Deputy Ray Prom, and Idaho State Deputy George Mesina. If I'm not mistaken, each of our State Deputy's is also celebrating Circle of Honor - Pinnacle Status. As SD Kim Washburn stated regarding last years Circle of Honor Award, "This may have my name on it, but it belongs to all the Knight's in Washington". It takes many hands to accomplish such grandiose levels of achievement. Such levels of achievement may spill over to the Fourth Degree with the same enthusiasm of Patriotic fervor. It is time to reach out to your Third Degree brother Knight's and ask them what patriotism means to them and then invite them to join you to participate in your next event.

Reminder when wearing regalia. Only the PG 113 pin is to left lapel located at the most inboard portion of the approximate location if no buttonhole). The next thing we is the placement of the ribbons. If we just look at the inset see closest to the middle of the chest is the Former DD (solid GK (solid purple) in the middle and Past FN (red with blue middle) on the outboard. These ribbons are to be worn blazer, centered on the left front panel between the lapel armhole seam with the bottom edge of the lowest medal the top of the pocket. Please also use one bar for securing



PG-113



Diagram 3
Former District Deputy
Past Grand Knight
Past Faithful Navigator

the worn of the buttonhole (or need help with (Diagram 3) we red), with Past strip down the upon the and the left 1/4 inch above your ribbons.

Knights Gear https://knightsgear.com has two, three or four ribbon bars available so your ribbons can look sharp.

Supreme Master McCusker shared a recent request from Ukraine regarding the Exemplification ceremony and the restrictions based on the local Marshal Law. Limited number of people gathered in any location for a limited amount of time during specific hours of the day. These tight restrictions lead to requesting a shortened version of the Exemplification requirements. The inspiring part of this request to the Supreme Master was their lack of concern about the type of regalia they would later wear. These men are looking to the future in obtaining the status of being a Patriotic Knights of Columbus. Let's move past old biases and once again be honored to wear the regalia of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus.

Blessed Michael McGivney – Pray for us – Vivat Jesus!



Faithfully,
Joseph W Schaecher
Vice Supreme Master, Archbishop Francis Norbert Blanchet Province
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Silver Rose Tour 2023

The Silver Rose will be in Idaho soon. Please review the attached schedule and communicate with the Council before and after your commitment date. Service booklets and pledge cards have been ordered and will be delivered to the Lewiston Council. Please retain those service booklets following your service and forward them to the next Council. Those booklets need to serve the whole tour through Idaho. At the conclusion of your service(s), please communicate to me the number of services held and the number of attendees present. If you have any questions or concerns or issues; please contact me. May you all have a blessed and peaceful Silver Rose Tour.

Submitted by: Dave Palumbo Silver Rose Idaho 2023 Tour

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Events Around the State

Events Around the State - June 2023

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 Council 1663

6/11 – 3:00 pm Eucharistic Procession at Holy Rosary Church followed by BBQ

6/13 - 5:30 pm Bingo Night at CTK Hall

6/14 - 1:00 to 6:00 pm - Blood Drive CTK Hall

6/16 – 11:00 am – Senior Luncheon CTK Hall

6/17 – 9:00 am – US 20 Highway Cleanup near Marker 299

6/17 – 4:00 pm Silver Rose CTK Church

6/20 - 6:00 pm - Family BBQ Social CTK

6/25 - 8:30 am - Intentional Rosary

7/1 – KofC Soup Kitchen at Community Outreach Center

DISTRICT 4

Mountain Home Council 3703

Community Rosary – June 17th, 24th, and July 1st & 8th at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church Hall at 12:00 pm

Silver Rose Mass – Jun 25th at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church at 10:30 am

Pancake Breakfast July 2nd

St. Marks Council 12172

Adoration – June 24th at the church at 6:00 pm Silver Rose Service – July 1st after the 5:00 pm Mass

Installation of officers – July 8th after the 5:00 pm Mass at St. Mark's Church

Our Lady of the Rosary Council 10581

Silver Rose Service – June 27th at Our Lady of the Rosary Church at 7:00 pm

Nuestra Senora De Guadalupe Council 17462

Silver Rose Service - June 26th at the Cathedral



Idaho Knights in Action

Success Story

Last year through a Catholic Lady I know asked me to ask her boyfriend if I could be his sponsor in joining the faith. I took it as a challenge and accepted it. Dan is his name and what a great experience it was for both of us. He got to learn many things about being Catholic, and myself got to attend many of the classes to observe.

I had the chance to become a great friend to him. At Easter Vigil this year not only did he get confirmed but he got baptized as well. So I became his God Parent. The lady friend and him broke it off, but I earned a great pal in the faith. He ushers with me and just gave me his filled out Form 100. I can't wait to be a mentor to him in the Knights of Columbus when he gets his ceremony completed.

Dan and Nick

Submitted by: Nick Theisen State Family Director

Mothers Day Breakfast

St. Thomas Council 1363, Coeur d'Alene, co-sponsored a Mother's Day breakfast with the women of the Walking With Purpose bible study group. This event raised over \$500 in donations for charitable giving. The photo below shows District 10 Warden/PGK Lee Lutovsky and DGK John Lasher flanking representatives of the Walking With Purpose bible study group.

Submitted by: Bill Larson St. Thomas Council 1363



Statue Dedication

A statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary is dedicated to the parishioners of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, the students and faculty of Sacred Heart Catholic School, the Knights of Columbus Council 899 and the entire Diocese of Boise. The five foot tall, hand carved granite statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary was dedicated by Father Roger Fernando, Father Costance Swai, and Deacon Jude Gary. In attendance were Father Roger Fernando and over fifty parishioners.

The ceremony took place on the grounds of Sacred Heart Catholic School on May 13, 2023 - chosen as it's the 106th anniversary of the first apparition at Fatima (5/13/1917) and the 119th anniversary of the founding of Council 899 (5/13/1904).

The statue was placed by Council 899 in their continual development of the Walking Rosary Path, and to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and was funded by the generous donations of present and former parishioners of Sacred Heart Catholic Church







Submitted by. Mike Kosick & Tom Cotner Sacred Heart Council 899









Golf Tournament

SEPTEMBER 9, 2023, 9:00 AM
8th Annual Knights of Columbus
Charity Golf Tournament



Prairie Falls Golf Club

3200 N. Spokane, Post Falls, ID 83854

Entry fee of \$100 per player includes

- Green fees
- Golf Cart
- Gift bag
- Prizes
- Lunch

Use the QR code to signup on line,

or go to https://www.saintgeorgesknights.org/golfer or contact Ron Robarge at (208) 777-8982 or email rirobarge@aol.com Sign up early to save your place and choose your starting hole

Come join the fun and help us help others

Fun. Food and Friends

Exciting games, raffles, silent auction items and prizes

Sponsorships available

HOSTED BY ST GEORGE'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 12560

> C/o Kirk Johnson, Golf Chair 5124 E Shoreline Dr Post Falls ID 83854 (949) 584-1415

Helping a Parishioner

A member of Sacred Heart Parish, Sue Ellen Martinez, has had a recent, accelerated decline in her mobility. Our worthy Treasurer, Robin Brady, and I have been working with her to determine improvements to her home that could make it more accessible and safer. There were two separate projects to help provide access to her home:

Project 1. Redo the substructure of her staircase to access her front door and patio, making each step level and increasing stability. Make the risers on each step more consistent to an even 5.75". Decrease the width of the staircase to the minimum 36" and put accessible, code compliant handrails on both sides as she ascends and descends the stairs.

Project 2. Construct a platform on her back patio to make the entirety of her patio an even elevation. Note the existing step down. Additionally, construct guardrails around the patio due to the new height being above the code required 30" minimum. We would use this opportunity to narrow her back patio stairs to 36" and add two compliant handrails on both sides of the stairs.

After a preliminary design, the cost of materials would be as follows:

Project 1: \$150 - \$200 Project 2: \$350 - \$400

We consulted with her a bit and this is exactly what she thinks would help her the best. This morning, when she saw me doing a few more measurements, she seemed absolutely elated that we would potentially be helping out. It seems this would make a real difference for someone in our community.

Before Picturs





After Pictures





Last Word

Worthy Brothers,

You have had a great year of growth and service. Now summer is here and with it, fun activities and adventures. As you attend outdoor events, especially knights-sponsored and church ones, you will meet potential new Knights. Men are more open and interested in joining us than I have ever seen before. If you meet such a man, say a quick prayer, and then go ahead and ask him. In my experience, the worst they will say is no. But you will be surprised at how many say yes.

Have a great summer and may God bless you!

Thank you, George