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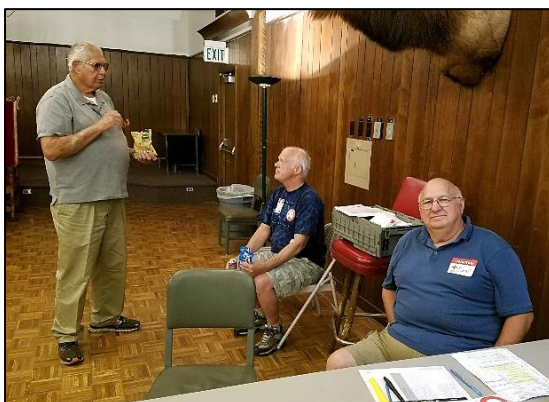
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American Red Cross Blood Drive - Pocatello

Organized by Bob Fitzsimmons of Fr. Ordway Council 8930 of Pocatello an American Red Cross Blood Drive took place on June 26th at the Elk's Lodge. Twenty-two donors stepped up to share their life with others. The Red Cross has been struggling for quite some time with blood shortages so congratulations to Brother Bob for a great effort.



L to R:
Brothers Pat
Taney, Jim
Shumate and
Don Tehle
checking
donors in.

Grow Your Membership by Recruiting Graduates

In order for your council to serve the Church and community, you need enthusiastic members with fresh ideas and energy. To help rejuvenate your council, focus on recruiting graduating students.

As a recruiter, it is your job to tell them that the Knights of Columbus is not just for their fathers and grandfathers; it has many things to offer Catholic men of all ages.

Begin recruiting by identifying your prospects. Don't forget to consider the sons, grandsons and nephews of members and parishioners.

Conduct an invitation program aimed directly at graduates. Share details about your council's programs, activities and events that will interest them in becoming active members.

Also, organize an informational night or open house especially for younger graduates. Inform them of programs and activities that will appeal to them, such as athletic programs and community service projects. Invite your field agent to the event, asking him to talk about financial products designed for younger members.

Councils might also consider offering a special incentive for fathers who recruit their graduating sons. Graduation cards should be sent to these graduating sons, as well as to any other young graduates the council knows. With the card, be sure to include an invitation to join the K of C.

Finally, conduct a First Degree exemplification specially designed to initiate these recent graduates. A special ceremony may encourage young men to join with their friends.

Sign up!

Star Council Corner

By: George Mesina - State Membership Chairman

I want to thank all of you for your worthy efforts this year. Together, we have added new men to the Knights of Columbus to spread the kingdom of God here on earth by serving and protecting our fellow man. Well done!

Idaho Award Winning Councils

Boise 4013 had the highest recruiting percentage and wins \$100.

Meridian 11548, Buhl 2685, and Boise 4013 all recruited 4. Since Boise already won, Meridian and Buhl win \$100 each.

STAR Councils

Outstanding honors to **Buhl 2685** for achieving DOUBLE STAR status. We also congratulate and honor the STAR Councils: **St. Marks 12172, Idaho Falls 1663, Grangeville 4058, Twin Falls 1416, and Kellogg 3762.**

Council	Number	District	Recruited	Insured	Served	Status
Buhl	2685	004	233.33	200.00	Columbian	DOUBLE STAR
Boise	12172	005	136.84	114.29	Columbian	STAR Council
Idaho Falls	1663	001	125.00	116.67	Columbian	STAR Council
Grangeville	4058	009	112.50	133.33	Columbian	STAR Council
Twin Falls	1416	004	111.11	100.00	Columbian	STAR Council
Kellogg	3762	011	100.00	100.00	Columbian	STAR Council

These councils turned in all necessary paperwork to qualify for STAR. Supreme has not officially recorded them.

Nampa	2014	007	137.50	83.33	Columbian	STAR?
Fruitland	12516	008	120.00	33.33	Columbian	STAR?
Mountain Home	3703	005	100.00	66.67	Columbian	STAR?
St Anthony	12953	001	75.00	100.00	Columbian	STAR?

Star Districts

Congratulations to Idaho's **two STAR districts**. To qualify a district must meet or exceed their membership and insurance goal, AND have a STAR council. This is only possible through the dedicated efforts of the knights of those districts doing their parts, particularly the District Deputies, Grand Knights, and Financial Secretaries. Thank you.

District	Recruited	Insured	STAR Council	Status
001	127.7	125.0	Idaho Falls – star St. Anthony – star?	STAR District
004	100.0	112.5	Buhl – double star Twin Falls - star	STAR District

Idaho Councils Winning Supreme Awards

Columbian Award Winners			Fr. McGivney Award Winners		
1416	004	Twin Falls	12516	008	Fruitland
1663	001	Idaho Falls	4058	009	Grangeville
2014	007	Nampa	1416	004	Twin Falls
2685	004	Buhl	3703	005	Mountain Home
2792	003	Rupert	3762	011	Kellogg
3085	008	Emmett	Requirements submitted to Supreme		
3703	005	Mountain Home	12531	006	Boise
3762	011	Kellogg	3085	008	Emmett
4013	006	Boise	12953	001	St Anthony
4058	009	Grangeville	Councils That were on the way		
5075	012	Bonnors Ferry	3086	008	Caldwell
8283	001	Salmon	15304	011	Spirit Lake
8930	002	Pocatello	1363	011	Coeur D Alene
11548	007	Meridian	12881	003	Burley
11623	011	Coeur D Alene	11548	007	Meridian
12172	005	Boise	12854	007	Boise
12516	008	Fruitland	10581	005	Boise
12531	006	Boise	11623	011	Coeur D Alene
12560	011	Post Falls	2792	003	Rupert
12854	007	Boise	8930	002	Pocatello
12953	001	St Anthony	8310	006	Boise
13089	008	Weiser	1024	010	Lewiston
15304	011	Spirit Lake	12895	003	Aberdeen

Founder's Award Winners

12953	001	St Anthony	100.00
11623	011	Coeur D Alene	100.00
2792	003	Rupert	100.00
899	006	Boise	100.00
Requirements submitted to Supreme			
2014	007	Nampa	83.33
3703	005	Mountain Home	66.67
Councils who insured brother knights			
12560	011	Post Falls	33.33
12516	008	Fruitland	33.33
1363	011	Coeur D Alene	33.33
12895	003	Aberdeen	33.33
	004	Gooding	33.33
5444			
1389	009	Cottonwood	25.00
11548	007	Meridian	10.00

Building the Domestic Church and the New Fraternal Year

DOMESTIC CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Simple Supper & Stations
5th Sunday Rosary Program
Consecration to the Holy Family
Father's Day Affirmation of Wedding Vows
Food for Families
Holy Family Prayer Program
Journey to the Inn
Keep Christ in Christmas Campaign
Into the Breach
Family Fully Alive
Family Week Celebrations
CIS - Building the Domestic Church Series

Brother Knights, to state the obvious, the new fraternal year is upon us. There are new officers, updated membership and insurance quotas, and the planning and ordering of this year's council activities (Surge with Service). By now your council should have held its organizational meeting setting the ground work for the entire fraternal year. With that said it is worth recalling that the Domestic Church Initiative has been with us for about twenty months. Participation in the initiative should have become a way of council life providing us and our families more opportunities to participate in a variety of activities that deepen our faith, promote the New Evangelization, and strengthen our parishes while growing our order at the same time. I trust that your council officers included some of these activities in their yearly planning. If not it is not too late. Keep in mind that the list of activities has grown from just a few at the introduction of the initiative to twelve. As a way of review these activities include:

What have we obtained from our Domestic Church experience over the past fraternal year? For me I obtained a deeper appreciation of our leadership. By introducing the initiative, Supreme Knight Carl A Anderson and the Supreme Council boldly stepped forward offering a renewed focus on our families and parishes at a time when it seems that the secular society in which we live made major political gains contrary to the basic beliefs of our faith. At time when many, including some Catholics, believe the Church should fold to the demands that we modernize, folding abortion, same-sex marriage, no fault divorce into our Catholic Christian culture. At a time like this I want more than ever to be part of this organization that has the strength to standup to these offerings and say "No".



With that said, what better way to start the new fraternal year than by taking a serious look at the theme for July in the *Family Fully Alive* booklet. The theme "Witnessing to the Faith" starts with this statement: *Because families play an indispensable role in the new evangelization, we want to share our faith with other families and those who are far away from God.* I strongly encourage all Knights in Idaho to take the time to read the July offering in the booklet.

John Krsul - State Council Director



Don't Wait for Winter

You might have stored your winter gear for the summer, but that doesn't mean it's too early to begin planning for Coats for Kids distributions!

Councils should be thinking ahead to September, when kids head back to school, or November, when Black Friday distributions are held. By planning your event early and ordering your coats now, you'll be guaranteed to have everything ready in the fall.

Visit kofc.org/coats and plan your event today.



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Silver Rose - Mountain Home 3703

Mountain Home Council 3703 hosted a mass and rosary for the Silver Rose on June 25th. The celebrant of the mass was Father German Osorio's first weekend with his new parish. It was a separate mass from the normal weekend masses. The Council was thrilled that he was more than eager to do it for them. There were 45 people in attendance for the service. The KC members in the picture from left to right are: Gary Smith, Jim Martin, Fred Horn, Jim Cox, Monte Stephens, Allen Darrow, Father German Osorio, Paul Petro, Edwin Nielson, Fred Busing, Paul Degand and Steve McGrath.



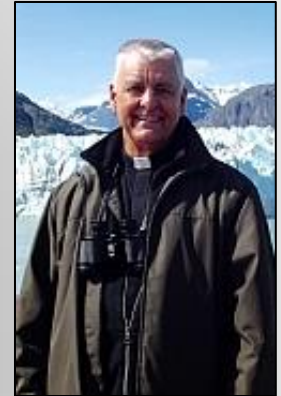
Roman Catholic Men 's 3rd Annual Silent Retreat

Theme: "Be Still and Know that I am God"

From Friday 5:30pm July 21 to Sunday Noon July 23, 2017 - Nazareth Retreat Center in Boise, ID

KEYNOTE PRESENTER: **Fr. Jeffery "Skip" Thompson, MSA** (Missionaries of the Holy Apostles)

- Father Skip is a baby Boomer with 3 beautiful children. A revert to the Catholic faith after a lifetime of struggles and wandering.
- 30 years in California State government as a Lobbyist and consultant to Prison Officers, Crime Victims and State Chaplains.
- He was a late vocation to the priesthood, Ordained in 2015 on the feast of the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul for Monterey Diocese, CA.
- Currently: Dean of Men at Holy Apostles Seminary, Cromwell CT.
- Vocation Director for Missionaries of the Holy Apostles
- Priest Chaplain for the Apostolate of the Sea, serving passengers and crew at sea.
- Author: "The Holy Land Chronicle", a photo-reflection essay of Biblical sites in Israel, 2016 (available for purchase)



This retreat has been developed, and planned by 3 former Mount Angel Seminary attendees from the 1960s: Johnny Serpa, Randy Williams and Mike Nourse who continue to love their faith and hope and pray that through this weekend of silence and reflection, you will once again renew the spirit of your faith and become active in the "New Emangelization" that our Lord is calling us to do.

The Holy Spirit will lift you up and give you courage to defend and protect the Catholic Faith given to us by Jesus Christ. Please consider attending this life changing encounter with God the Father, His Son, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through prayer, worship, song and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and Reconciliation. A complete schedule including time designations will be presented to each retreatant at registration.

Magnum Silentium or "Great Silence" will be observed throughout the Retreat.

CONTACT: Randy Williams: lisieux4u@gmail.com 208-602-5667 if you have any questions.
For more information or registering, go to www.nazarethretreatcenter.org/retreatinfo.htm

Estimated cost for room and board: \$195.00

Charitable Roofing

Brother Knights from Father Kelly Council 2888 in Sandpoint put on a roof for a brother Knight needing one. Brother Knight Chris Borges (S.K.) owner of Borges Roofing donated the roofing and his time for free. The project was completed in only ONE day, May 27th, due to generous outpouring of support by a large number of Brothers. That is what the Knights are about, helping a brother in need.

Steve Minier



Team Effort

Pocatello KC's and Holy Spirit parish members welcomed home Father Roger LaChance with remodeling and cleaning efforts to the house on Wyeth Street in Pocatello over the last several weeks. With assistance from Kerry Hennessy; Jose Iniguez; Fred Davis; Pat Taney; Don Lesniewski; Arnold Ortiz; and Pedro Gallegos the installation and painting of the deck, and painting of the garage were accomplished. Bruce Olenick designed, directed and coordinated the deck project while Mike Grady provided the resources needed to finish them. Special thanks to Jim Gaved for donating the funds for the garage door and opener.

On June 29th Brothers Bert Lillis and Wally Meyer of St. Pius X Council 11623 of Coeur d'Alene arrived at the house after driving the truck with Father Roger's personal belongings across Idaho and Montana. Thanks to Bert and Wally along with Pat Taney; Don Tehle; Dave Molitor; Kip Winter; David Davis; Tom White; Paul Archibald; and Mike Nally for their efforts in off-loading the truck and helping to make the house a "home" for Father Roger. Great appreciation to the other 15-20 Brothers from Council 11623 for their invaluable assistance in the packing and loading of the truck in Coeur d'Alene.

On behalf of all the members of the Holy Spirit Catholic Community of Pocatello and Chubbuck we heartily welcome Father Roger and look forward to his spirituality and guidance.



L to R: Father Roger LaChance; Bert Lillis (CDA); Kip Winter; Paul Archibald; Mike Nally; Pat Taney; David Davis; Wally Meyer (CDA); and Tom White. Attending but not pictured were Don Tehle and Dave Molitor (taking photos).



Coeur d'Alene Council 11623

Many thanks go out to all the Brothers, family and friends who have stepped up over the years to make the tenure of Father Roger LaChance at St. Pius X such a rewarding one for everybody. One very special thank you breakfast for Father Roger was held on Sunday June 25th. We can't thank Father Roger enough for all the leadership and love he has provided our Catholic community in the Coeur d'Alene area. We wish him all God's special blessings as he enters into the "retirement" part of his life moving back to his home town of Pocatello to serve them, and no doubt being very involved with the scouting program there as well.

Additional Award: Wade Toombs was awarded Knight of Month.



John Webb receives State "Public Relations" and "Help for the Disabled" Awards from GK Craig Frei.

Prospective Member FAQ

1. I don't have time to join another organization; why should I join the Knights of Columbus?

As a Knight you can choose the projects with which you wish to be involved in within your own community. What is more, the Order is dedicated to family life and the many benefits it offers. From insurance to scholarships to service and social activities and programs, all are open to the whole family.

2. What are the requirements?

Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practical (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See.

3. What is a practical Catholic?

A practical Catholic accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church.

4. Explain what Degrees are.

There are four degrees within the Knights of Columbus. Each degree ceremony imparts a lesson on the Order's core virtues of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

5. Do I have to purchase Insurance to become a member?



No; unlike many fraternal organizations one does not become a member by purchasing insurance. In the Knights of Columbus a man has to be a member before he may avail himself of the insurance benefit. Purchasing insurance is optional, however; the life insurance and long-term care insurance products offered by the Order are not only competitively priced, they are among the most solid and highly rated products available anywhere. Standard & Poor's and A.M. Best, the leading independent agencies that rate insurance companies, give K of C insurance their highest ratings.



Rob Palus receives State Youth Award from Craig Frei. Was also presented the Family of the Month certificate.

Silver Rose - Oregon to Idaho Transfer 6/11/2017

Corpus Christi Church - Fruitland

Knights from Ontario, OR: Bill Feely and Manuel Alvarado. Tall Knight in tux: Larry Mullally; Oregon Silver Rose Chair Knight holding Rose: Jim Jensen; District Deputy #8. Knight in suit: David Palumbo; Idaho Silver Rose Chair, Fr. Camilo Garcia; Pastor; Corpus Christi Church.



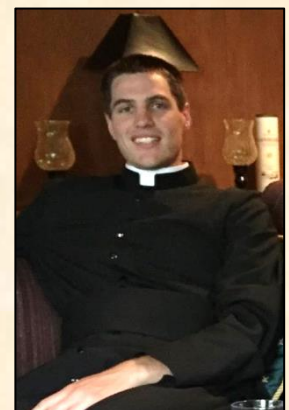
Seminarian Station - Deacon Joseph Lustig

Brother Knights,

What a blessing it is to have been ordained and set directly on the path towards the priesthood.

My ordination to the transitional Diaconate was in mid-May and I have been working since in the Weiser River Valley at St. Agnes Parish. Serving as a deacon has been a great joy for me and the effect of the graces of ordination are noted. From going through the grocery store in my clerical clothing, to visiting families in their homes, proclaiming the Gospel at Mass, and most recently baptizing babies, I have felt the grace of Christ working through me.

I ask that each of you renew your commitment to carry Christ in your hearts and bring Him to the world. Next time you are at Mass, make a conscious decision to open your heart and receive the graces He desires to give you through our participation in His Most Holy Body and Blood. God Bless.



One Minute Meditations

St. Joseph Cafasso

St. Joseph was born in Castelnovo d'Asti in

Italy to peasant

parents. From a young age, he was known for his humility in prayer. He entered the seminary in Turin, and was ordained in 1833. He went on to study and teach in the university of Turin. He combated the heresy of Jansenism and urged devotion to the Holy Eucharist. He was an excellent preacher, confessor, and retreat master. One of his pupils was St. John Bosco.

God as Father

In Jesus' day, many people felt God was so holy, his name was unutterable. Imagine their surprise when Jesus taught them to call God Abba, which means, "Daddy"! When you pray, remember you're addressing a loving Father who is eager to help.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone ... opens the door, [then] I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me" (Revelation 3:20).



Bishop Kelly Assembly - CDA

Silver Rose Run

Bishop Kelly Assembly #185 of Coeur d'Alene Honor Guard at the Silver Rose Service on June 16th at St. Thomas. Included in the picture with Father Mariusz Majewski are L to R:

SK Nick Theisen, SK Gary Fessler, SK Larry Major, SK Craig Frei (Commander), SK Don Moberg, SK Gary Sonnen and SK Tom Goonan.

Blessings, Mike Anderson



Father Ordway Council 8930 - Pocatello

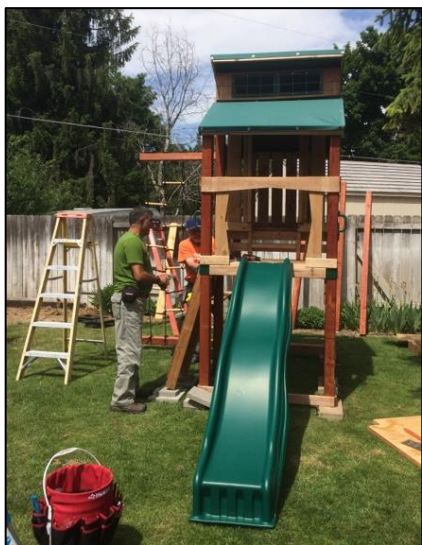
'4 Knights for 4 Hours'

Council 8930 raffled off '4 knights for 4 hours' of work at the local Holy Spirit Catholic School auction and the work effort was donated to the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist. The six Knights pictured here (Keith Riemersma, Kim McKnight, Mike Grady, Kerry Hennessy, Roy Bartholomay, and Don Lesniewski) spent 4 hours on Saturday, June 3rd painting, pulling weeds in several gardens, and moving dirt and rock to help out. Deacon Jeff Powers (not pictured) of Blackfoot Council 3013 also helped with the efforts. In addition, Mike Grady, Jim Robinson, and Troy Nell, spent Friday June 2nd washing and painting the deck and awning. In total the Knights provided about 56 hours of service to help things look nicer at the Sisters' Desert House in Arbon Valley.



St. Mark's Council 12172 - Boise

Assembled a clubhouse for disabled brother Knight Ted Hopkins' grandchildren.



Brother Gordon Jones, St. Mark's Parish, Boise, demonstrates how to use a flood irrigation system the Knights built; so 40 refugee family plots and the parishioners Food Bank garden will not have to be hand-watered using buckets. The Council and CCW donated \$750.00 each to purchase the pipe, water pump, etc.

SILVER ROSE - UPPER VALLEY, EASTERN IDAHO

Council 12953, the Hispanic Council in St. Anthony picked up the Silver Rose and attended their service in Coeur d'Alene on Friday 6/16 at 5 PM. The following locations had the Silver Rose for special services:

1. Island Park service 5PM 6/17 : Rose on the Altar during Mass and discussed with congregation by Father Tom Loucks after Mass **(50 attended)**.
2. Saint Anthony 0900 Mass 6/18: Rosary for life before Mass, Silver Rose on Display during Mass and discussed by Father Vazquez before Mass **(60 attended)**.
3. Saint Anthony 1030 between Masses 6/18: an outdoor altar with the Blessed Sacrament in exposition and the Silver Rose on Display: a rosary alternating Spanish and English decades was prayed reflecting on the body and blood of Christ and the prayers for Mary's intercession to help in ending abortion and euthanasia in the Americas **(50 participated)**.
4. Rexburg 1 PM Sunday 6/18: A rosary for Life was prayed before Mass, the Rose was on display during Mass and Father Vazquez discussed the Silver Rose Campaign with the congregation **(80 attended)**.



Mary Immaculate Church in St. Anthony Idaho. Council 12953 Rev. Adrian Vazquez on Sunday, June 18, 2017. Not pictured but attended service were Marco Franco - Grand Knight; Gary Smith is DGK; and Jeff Dufault is Financial Secretary.



Corpus Christi Sunday - CDA

Bishop Kelly Assembly 185 of Coeur d' Alene, led by SK Craig Frei, with SK/FN Don Moberg and SK/GK Nick Theisen led SK & Pastor Mariusz Majewski with the Blessed Sacrament and the entire St. Thomas the Apostle parish in a procession around the city block on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 16.

Blessings. Brother Mike Anderson



International Food Fair - Pocatello

KC Councils 892 and 8930 banded together to participate in the 2017 version of the International Food Fair on the campus of St. Anthony's in Pocatello on June 3rd & 4th with funds generated to assist Holy Spirit Parish. Council 892 provided all the beverages and manned that booth; with Council 8930 set-up for their out-of-this-world hamburger stand.



Pastor Henry Carmona leading the street dance on Saturday night.



St. Jerome Council 8780

Special Olympics - Idaho

St. Jerome Council # 8780 of Jerome hosted a Special Olympics Team from Upper Treasure Valley for an opening night dinner at the start of the 2017 Special Olympics Summer Games. The event was held in St. Jerome's church hall the evening of June 9th and featured Spaghetti, garlic bread, a green salad and deserts prepared by St. Jerome's Parish ladies. Grand Knight Troy Charles said of the event: "... it was a true honor and privilege to host such wonderful and special people. I was struck by their drive, passion, and excitement to participate in this year's games, and I think most of them were excited and very hopeful to return next year". Special Olympics Executive Officer Laurie La Follette praised the Jerome Knights for their warm hospitality and willingness to get involved.

Chairman Note: If I may offer a personal observation as State Chairman. Those Councils that have not made contact and become involved with a local team are missing out. Knights who have become involved with Special Olympics uniformly share Grand Knight Charles's feelings. Jim Barclay

On Saturday, June 14th, the drawing for the Special Olympics Lottery prizes was held at Steve's Home Town Toyota in Ontario, Oregon, the donor of the grand prize, a 2017 Toyota RAV4 XLE. Special Olympics is not releasing the names of the winners, but the winning ticket numbers are: Grand Prize – 06418; \$500.00 fishing trip – 06568; \$500.00 gas card – 10410. St. Mark's Council in Boise sold over 300 lottery tickets, out-pacing all the other Councils.

Jim Barclay - State K of C Special Olympics Chairman



Those in attendance: Fr. Robb, Ed Foust, Bob Whitechurch, Butch Colson, plus the team and coaches.

Sacred Heart Council 899

From: SK J.A. Arroyo, PGK, DD #6

'Buy One Give One' Ministry

Here is some information about a ministry that newly elected Grand Knight, Vern Bauer, runs in Boise. His is a good ministry, which trains chefs and also provides gourmet meals delivered through the Kai Project and Food on Purpose to your home.

NEW! A new bright spot in our meal delivery platform is our BOGO program - which usually stands for Buy One Get One... but with the Kai Project and Food on Purpose - that now stands for Buy One Give One! I'm working with St. Vincent DePaul's ministry and the Knights of Columbus Council #899 of Sacred Heart, here in Boise, and any item that you want to make an order of for 2 of that item - we will gift that second extra item to a shut in family or a person in great stress or financial need. Just put in the notes at the end of the food order form in the new BOGO TOGO area and let us know which item you are praying forward to a family or individual in need. The entrees, bowls, muffins and side items make great gifts to give someone in need a meal and a hug. Thanks for your support.

Thanks for all of your efforts to forward on to others what we're doing with our order form and meal delivery service, who we are, and the sacred work God has put in our hands. If you know of anyone looking to take that next career step - or just wants to work on their interview abilities or wants to know how to get incredibly sharp knives - send them to us with a text or an email or a phone call!

Thanks for taking the time to read the fine print! Paste this link into your browser to go to our Gourmet Meal Delivery order form:

https://docs.google.com/a/isu.edu/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSYgjskf88IYYa0upS8TICDMNnL7L0Y6Vcyda7Wf_bmMRYw/viewform

Thank you for your orders!

I wish you peace, joy, and blessings,

Chef Vern
208-570-4837

Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist

at *Desert House - Arbon Valley, Idaho*

Members of the Honor Guard of Bishop Gorman Assembly 183 of Pocatello joined Most Reverend Peter Christensen in the very special 50th Jubilee Anniversary Mass for two of our local Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist on June 17th at St. Joseph's Chapel. Congratulations to Sister Anthony Marie and Sister Sarah for their wonderful dedication and service in five decades of vowed consecrated life.



Front row L to R:

Sister Sarah Doser, FSE;
Bishop of the Diocese of Boise -
Most Reverend Peter Christensen;
Sister Anthony Marie Greving, FSE.

Second row L to R:

Reverend Marcos Sanchez (Parochial Vicar -
Holy Spirit Parish, Pocatello);
Reverend Andrew Baumgartner, OSB
(Ascension Priory, Jerome);
Deacon Jeff Powers (St. Bernard's - Blackfoot);
Reverend Henry Carmona (Pastor - Holy Spirit
Parish, Pocatello).

Third row L to R:

Members of Bishop Gorman
Assembly 183 Knights of Columbus Honor
Guard of Pocatello - Dave Molitor, Roy
Bartholomay (Idaho State Council Treasurer);
Kerry Hennessy (Immediate Past Idaho State
Deputy); and Oliver Samora, Sr.



Membership Recap

By: Mike Townsend, Idaho State Deputy

This past fraternal year, we have been striving to achieve the membership goals that were established by Supreme. Overall, there were some setbacks which hindered our progress, but several Knights stepped up to the plate in the area of recruiting new members. I wanted to say a big **THANK YOU** to those Knights who persevered and kept on recruiting.

I am writing this on June 29 and there is one day left in this fraternal year. Even though the year is not quite finished, I would like to highlight the efforts of several district deputies, councils and individuals who have met the challenge this past year. As of today, here are the figures shown by Supreme in regards to their membership goals.

DISTRICTS

140%	District Deputy #5 Paul Petro
124%	District Deputy #11 Larry Seabolt
122%	District Deputy #1 George Mesina
106%	District Deputy #7 Kevin Stadther



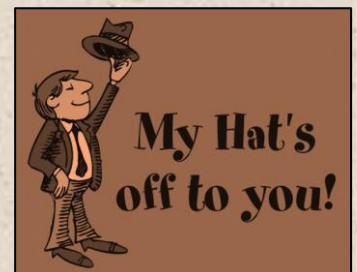
COUNCILS

233.33%	Council #2685 Buhl - Scott Tverdy Grand Knight
233.33%	Council #12560 Post Falls - John Webber Grand Knight
200%	Council #4013 Boise, Santa Maria - Ruben Irgoyen Grand Knight
137.5%	Council #2014 Nampa - Romel Reyna Grand Knight
136.8%	Council #12172 Boise, St. Mark's - Ray Forshey Grand Knight
125%	Council #1663 Idaho Falls - Armando Ramos Grand Knight
120%	Council #12516 Fruitland - Brian Harris Grand Knight
111%	Council #1416 Twin Falls - Dave Ellingsen Grand Knight
100%	Council #3703 Mountain Home - Allen Darrow Grand Knight
100%	Council #3762 Kellogg - Richard Freedle Grand Knight
100%	Council #4058 Grangeville - Bob Ackerman Grand Knight

INDIVIDUALS – This year over 125 of our Brother Knights recruited at least one new member or brought back a member who had been suspended or had withdrawn.

Fourteen (14) Brothers recruited at least 3 new members and received a padded folio notepad with a solar calculator: John Sonnen Council #1024; Mike Anderson Council #1363; Mark Rasgorshek Council #1416; Dennis Severa Council #1416; Dermot McGaughin Council #1663; Conception Loza Council #2685; Francisco Hernandez Council #2685; Scott Tverdy Council #2695; Thomas Miller Council #3086; Darwin Schweitzer Council #3086; Richard Freedle Council #3762; Jeff Allen Council #12172; Dan Heying Council #12172; and John Webber Council #12560.

Seven (7) Brothers recruited at least 6 new members and received a lightweight jacket with the Knights of Columbus emblem embroidered on it: George Mesina Council #1663; Shane Gehring Council #2014; Carlos Tapia Council #4013; Rob Groom Council #4058; Michael Elder Council #11548; Mike Townsend Council #12172; and Bob Bluhm Council #12560.



The top recruiter for Idaho was State Warden, District Deputy and Membership Director George Mesina who recruited 13 new members. GREAT JOB GEORGE!!! You are a true credit to the name, Knight of Columbus.

I THANK EVERYONE WHO OFFERED THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO ANOTHER CATHOLIC MAN THIS YEAR !!!!!

Silver Rose - Pocatello

Members of Fr. Ordway Council 8930 led by Grand Knight Chad Shouse, along with Brothers from Pocatello Council 892, an Honor Guard from the Bishop Gorman Assembly, plus family and friends, honored our Blessed Mother in the special Silver Rose Rosary Program at St. Joseph's Chapel on June 21st.



L to R: Roy Bartholomay - Idaho State Council Treasurer; Dan Anthony, PSD, FDM; Keith Riemersma; 8930 GK Chad Shouse; Mike Nally; and Kerry Hennessy - Immediate Past State Deputy.

The Last Word

Mike Townsend - Idaho State Deputy

Brothers,

Idaho finished strong this past fraternal year, reaching over 93% of our intake goal. Our membership now stands at 4,911 as we strive to reach the 5,000 member level. Over 125 of our Brother Knights recruited at least one new member during this past year and 7 recruited at least 6 new members. The top recruiter for Idaho was George Mesina who brought in 13 new members and reactivations.

It was a year that councils performed exemplary work in their Parishes and communities. A record number applied for the Columbian Award. Also, each Idaho council submitted their Report of Charitable Activity Form #1728, another record. There were also times of sadness as Brother Knights passed from this earth and others relocated to different states.

As you read these words, we will have begun a new fraternal year. It is a time for new beginnings and to refocus our efforts. Officers will be given new goals for the year and there should be an air of excitement as the council's plan upcoming events.

In 2017 – 2018, let each of us Knights vow to invite every Catholic man that we know to join us in our charitable efforts. Together we can make a difference in the world every day. When other men join with us we can accomplish even more.

When a man joins the Knights of Columbus, he becomes a better Christian, husband and father. By joining in the good works that the Knights do, they increase the charitable acts they participate in. The Knights of Columbus is a powerful force for good for parishes and communities. Remember, "We save lives and we change lives."

I ask that every council embrace the state theme for this year, **"CALLED TO BE DISCIPLES"**. Reach out and embrace the message of our Savior Jesus Christ when he said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations". We are called to be disciples and to bring others to the knowledge of Christ.

Pope Francis has said that the family is the Domestic Church and the Parish is a family of families. There are exciting times ahead for the Idaho Knights of Columbus as we work with our Priests to "Build the Domestic Church by Strengthening our Parishes".

May God bless each of you and your families as we grow together in our spirituality this coming fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus.

