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Guadalupe Encounter

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring The Guadalupe Encounter to be held on Saturday, September 15th at the Nampa Civic Center and is free for all to attend. The event features inspirational speakers, sensational music, and reverent prayer, all in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe plus numerous performers.

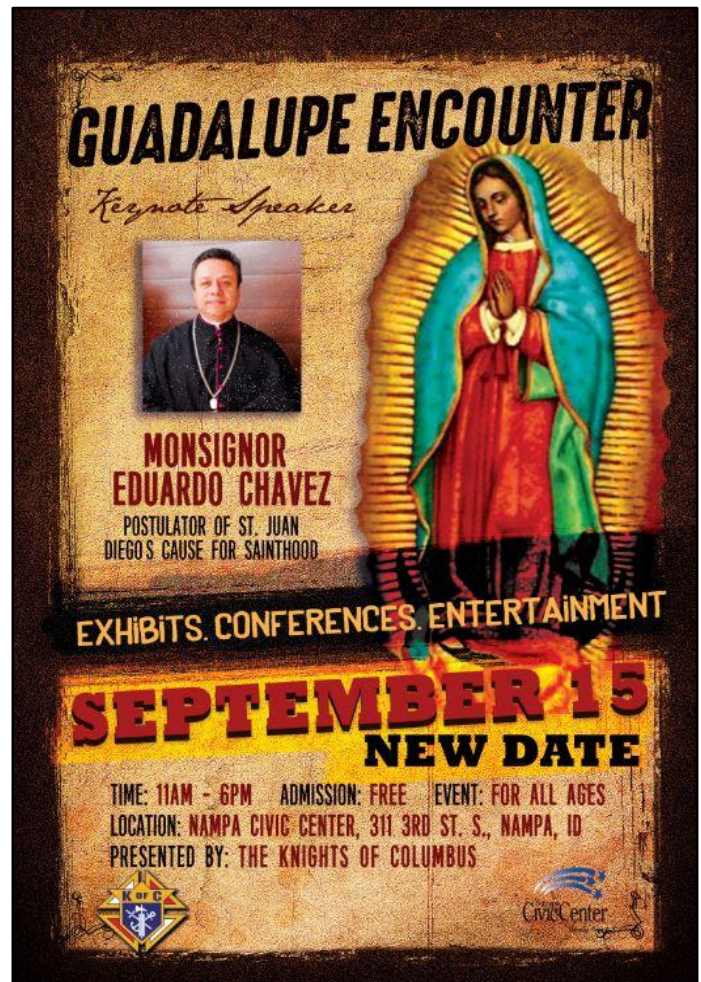
The event will include:

- Monsignor Eduardo Chávez, Postulator for the Cause for Canonization of St. Juan Diego.
- Marian Prayer Hour Devoted to the Holy Family.
- The relics of the Knights of Columbus Priest Martyrs of Mexico.

And the films;

- For Greater Glory; the true story of the Christiada.
- Guadalupe: A Gentle Dramatization of St. Juan Diego's Vision of the Virgin Mary on Tepayac Hill in 1531.
- Guadalupe: The Miracle and the Message.

The Guadalupe Encounter sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, is a special opportunity for the faithful of Idaho to come together and be a powerful witness to their Marian devotion and Catholic faith in their communities. With performers, speakers, and exhibits the Guadalupe Encounter promises to be a momentous occasion.



Doors will open at 10:30 AM and the event will begin at 11:00 AM. Seating is limited and will be given on a first-come, first-served basis. Attendees are encouraged to arrive at the Nampa Civic Center by 10:30 AM for best seating.

Star Council Corner

George Mesina - Membership

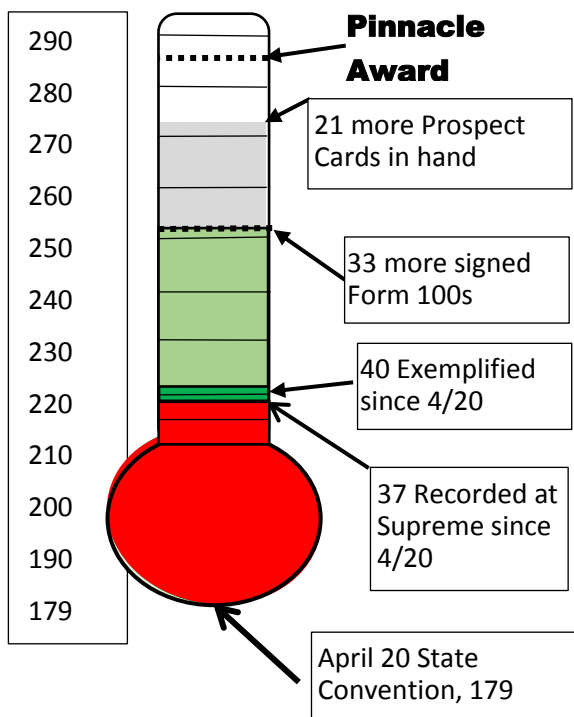
Congratulations to *2018 Rising Star Council, 4013*, for already **reaching TRIPLE** their **membership goal** and to *2018 Council of the year, 899*, Idaho's 1st **STAR council** this year.

Congratulations to Councils **Cottonwood 1389**, **Idaho Falls 1663**, **Buhl 2685**, **Boise/OLR 10581**, **St. Marks 12172**, **Fruitland 12516**, and **Burley 12881** for reaching the **McGivney Award** level of membership.

Congratulations to councils **Pocatello 892**, **Boise 899**, **Lewiston 1024**, **Twin Falls 1416**, **Idaho Falls 1663**, **Rupert 2792**, **Caldwell 3086**, and **Coeur D Alene 11623** for winning the **Columbian Award**.

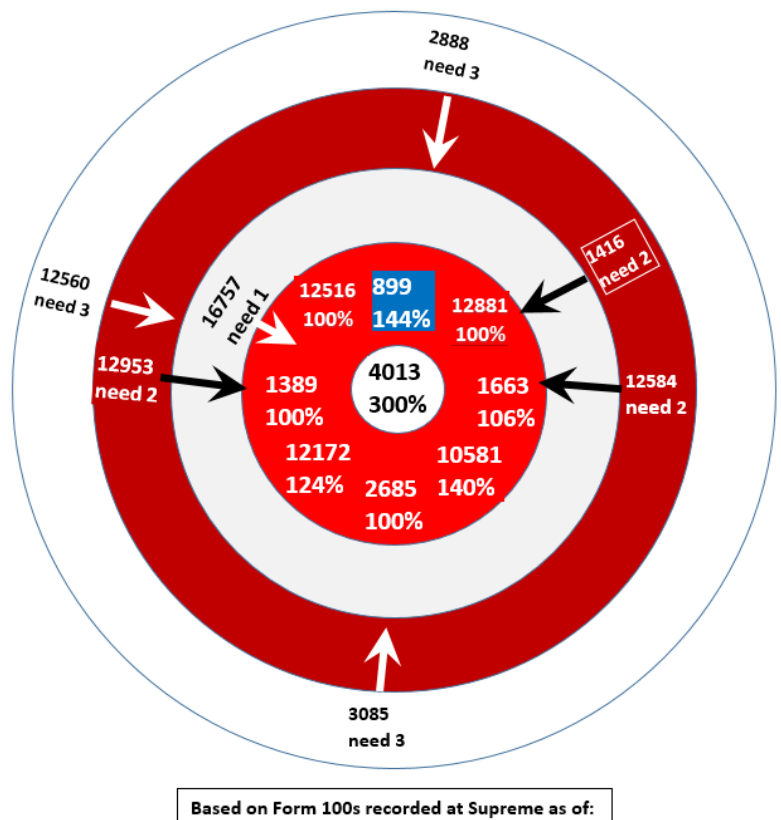
Congratulations to **Boise 899** for qualifying for the **Founders Award**.

Membership As of May 30, 2018



Deadline June 30

STAR Council Target



May 30, 2018

To aid the councils in their quest for STAR, Idaho and Supreme have created many incentives for individual recruiters and councils. Help build up the army of Christ, the Knights of Columbus!

IDAHO Incentives to Recruit & to Reach STAR

For Proposers:

- Book on Domestic Church for 1 recruit
- Knights of Columbus Tie for 3
- Entry in Mexico City Trip Drawing for 5

Idaho 5000:

- Recruiter of the 5000th member of Idaho receives the KofC waterproof jacket, so does the recruit!
- As of May 31, 2018, Idaho has 4989 members, we need 11 more!

SUPREME's Incentives to Recruit & to Reach STAR

- * **500 VIP** points to proposer for each new knight
- * Council Plaques for **McGivney, Founders, and/or Columbian Awards**
- * **STAR Council:**
 - **Rebate of \$4.50/billable-member** (of your councils on July 1)
 - **10000 VIP** pts./STAR (worth \$60 more/STAR)
 - **STAR lapel pins** for GK, MD, DD, FA
 - **STAR Council Plaque**

World Meeting of Families Drawing: For each recruit, you're entered in the drawing for **10 ALL EXPENSE** paid trips for a Knight and wife to Dublin Ireland Aug. 21-26

The following TABLE shows the Councils with at least 50% membership, which STAR requirements they are missing, and ranks them by how many requirements are still needed. Areas of need are highlighted in yellow. Note that Boise 899 is not listed, they already qualify for STAR. The SP-7 is the application for the Columbian Award.

Council #	Dist	Council Name	Member	Insurance	#365	#1728	#SP-7	Safe Env.	Need
10581	5	Boise/OLR	140.0%	33.3%	X	X	x	Compliant	1
1663	1	Idaho Falls	105.9%	33.3%	X	X	x	Compliant	1
12172	5	Boise/St. Marks	123.8%	25.0%	X	X	NEED	Compliant	2
1389	9	Cottonwood	100.0%	75.0%	X	X	NEED	Compliant	2
2685	4	Buhl	100.0%	66.7%	X	X	NEED	Compliant	2
1416	4	Twin Falls	77.8%	33.3%	X	X	x	Compliant	2
3086	8	Caldwell	63.6%	25.0%	X	X	x	Compliant	2
12881	3	Burley	100.0%	0.0%	X	X	NEED	NEED	3
12516	8	Fruitland	100.0%	0.0%	X	X	NEED	NEED	3
16757	7	Nampa	75.0%	0.0%	X	X	NEED	Compliant	3
12854	7	Boise/Risen Christ	60.0%	33.3%	X	X	NEED	Compliant	3
12560	11	Post Falls	57.1%	66.7%	X	X	NEED	Compliant	3
4013	6	Boise/St. Marys	300.0%	0.0%	NEED	X	NEED	NEED	4
2014	7	Nampa	62.5%	-16.7%	X	X	NEED	NEED	4
12953	1	St. Anthony	50.0%	33.3%	X	X	NEED	NEED	4

*Congratulations to **Twin Falls 1416** who brought in **6 new members in May!** With electronic membership and help from the State, you can do that too! Pray like it all depends on God and work like it all depends on you.*

Let's finish strong Idaho!

Homeless Veteran's Stand-Down

Coeur d'Alene Council 1363 handled the distribution of surplus equipment on May 12th at the County Fairgrounds. Pictured beginning with the third figure (in blue) are Brother Denny McMonigle with his wife Jan (hidden); Brothers Norm Ridge, Ray Stongle, Con Kringrey, David Campbell and incoming Grand Knight Ed Livingston. The picture on the left is the "before" shot of the awaiting surplus equipment. The overall event is sponsored by the St. Vincent de Paul of North Idaho.

Blessings. Mike Anderson



Want to Know if Your Projects Are Good? Test Them Against These Five Questions

As councils look to elections and appointments, previous program directors should join new council officers and together evaluate last year's endeavors based on these five questions. This will allow for an honest assessment regarding the council's programs. It will also ensure that any lessons learned are passed along, helping create or improve upon outstanding programs in this new fraternal year.

1. How well did your council follow the membership recruitment and service programming plans designed at the start of the year?
2. Were the plans overly ambitious, or did they fail to tap into the council's full potential?
3. Were goals achieved?
4. How could family and parish involvement have been expanded?
5. Were materials available from the Supreme Council fully utilized?

Fr. Michael J. Keyes Assembly 1983 – Mountain Home

Steve Green - Faithful Navigator

To be a Patriot

What does it mean to be a patriot? A patriot is a person who loves his country and passionately supports and defends it.

We all know the 4th Degree is the visible arm of our Order, so what does it mean to be a patriot as a Knight of Columbus?

This year, our Assembly will be handing out flyers describing the history of our "Pledge of Allegiance" after the 5pm Mass on 8 June and the 10am Mass on 9 June. Please lend a hand in ensuring the message of "One Nation under God" is spread before Flag Day (14 June).

This is a great way to spread both love of country and love of God.



Memorial Day

Every year the Knights of Columbus places a wreath at the Mountain Home Cemetery in honor of those who sacrificed their lives for what they believed in; and ensured our freedoms. This year was no different. Thank you to those Knights who participated in this solemn event.

Although Memorial Day has passed, we should always remember to pray for the souls of those who have left this earth. According to the Veteran's Affairs, more than 41.8 million service members gave their lives for our country since its inception in 1776. I challenge each and every one of us to continuously pray for these souls to be united with Christ in His Kingdom...not just on Memorial Day, but every day.



Academy of St. Lawrence

The Deacon Formation Program for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise provides intellectual, spiritual, human and pastoral formation to those individuals who have been identified by their pastors and parish leadership as having the gifts and the call from God to serve the people of God in Idaho as a Deacon.

For those who are feeling called to be a Deacon, please contact Deacon Robert Barros-Bailey at 208-371-8289 for information about the formation application process.

For more information cut and paste this URL into your browser.

[https://www.catholicidaho.org/
Permanentdiaconate](https://www.catholicidaho.org/Permanentdiaconate)

OPEN LETTER TO ALL IDAHO KC COUNCILS AND ASSEMBLIES

May 7, 2018

St. Lawrence Academy
Diocese of Boise
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Dear Knights of Columbus, Idaho Councils;

It is with much humility that we invoke your help for the deacons within the Diocese of Boise. The ordained deacons of Idaho have a very limited budget from the Diocese with most of the money going to the deacon formation program. Any help for deacon widows, care for sick deacons or monetary assistance is from the ordained brother deacons. It is our hope through reaching out to the Knights that the need for help won't fall solely on the ordained brothers.

The cost to go through the deacon formation program, out of pocket expense, ranges from \$5,000 to \$10,000, depending on location. The time investment is 5- 20 hours per week while studying. When finally ordained, the payments received for services and time is nonexistent in most cases. Granted, almost all of the ordained brothers would not ask for anything else and are happy to serve, doing what God called them to do!

With that said though, it is our hope to ease the monetary exposure of the ordained deacons by asking for your assistance. The donation from your council would be greatly appreciated and would go directly to the Diocese of Boise Deacon fund. The fund will be used to help the needs of deacon widows and their families, and the needs of our many faithful deacons as well.

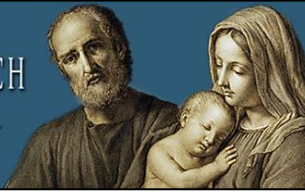
We are asking each council to prayerfully consider donating between \$100 and \$500; this gift is to help lower the current burden put on the ordained deacons of Idaho. Any donation you make please make the checks payable to Diocese of Boise, St. Lawrence Academy. We thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration.

God Bless,

Rob Groom (*Past Grand Knight and District Deputy*)
Ryan Uhlenkott (*Past Grand Knight*)
Deacon formation fund raiser outreach group

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH *While Strengthening Our Parish*



Building the Domestic Church and Membership: A marriage made in heaven?

Is the headline above a stretch? Not if you are a big picture guy like I am right now as I write this column for the June issue of the state newsletter. In my present view we have been building the Domestic Church for many millennia. There are a number of biblical families that have been involved in the process. Please do not critic this too strongly I am just trying to tell a story but I will offer up a few examples. How about Adam and Eve, Abraham and Sarah, and of course Joseph and Mary? During all this time there was plenty of foolishness going on. Those familiar with Old Testament stories may recall some corrective actions. The Great Flood and Sodom and Gomorrah come immediately to mind.

Well in our present age modernity and secularism has unleashed an awful lot of foolishness on our families. The last three Popes have written exhortations about the need to strengthen our families and parishes as a result of this assault. And recently Supreme Knight Carl Anderson introduced the Building the Domestic Church while Strengthening our Parish initiative. This initiative has been actively promoted and does not need to be discussed here. But to take full advantage of the initiative we need to bring more Catholic men into our order to help them strengthen their families and their faith.

Well what do we have now that Adam and Eve, Abraham and Sarah, and Joseph and Mary did not? The answer is technology. Smart phones, I Phones, I Pads, Laptops, computers etc. Furthermore we have a new breed of young men that have grown up with these devices. Online membership is designed to help these men become members, take advantage of what the Knights offer, and get them started on their journey to full Knighthood. The description below of what online membership does is taken directly from the KofC website.

“This initiative is an important step for our Order, and presents a tremendous opportunity for membership growth and engagement. The initiative allows for:

A Faster Way to Join – One of the most common objections to joining the Knights of Columbus is “I don’t have time.” Through Online Membership, a join process that can take as many as two months now takes five minutes.

A Digital Experience – This initiative provides a new membership experience that is tailored to younger men and busier men who may not yet be ready for council-based membership. This low-pressure, low-commitment and digital experience meets men where they are, helps to form them as Catholic men, and enables us to bring more men into the fold.

An Amplified Message – The Online Membership initiative is backed by a substantial marketing campaign that will find and work to convert prospective members”.

Online membership was launched in Idaho on May 21st. I challenge each and every one to go to the KofC.org. Click on Membership in the upper right hand corner then click on Online Membership. There you will find out all that you will need to know. Then go out and get a Catholic man to sign up for online membership.



To be able to do this is exciting.

What are you waiting for?
Get started now.

John Krsul - State Council Director

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Columbian
Award
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It's easy to complete the SP-7 and it's rewarding to receive this Supreme Columbian award. Have you already filled yours out and just need to submit it? Are you working on yours and will be sending it in soon? Do you need help with completing your form?

Let's all strive for 100% of our Councils in receiving this award.

If you need help, please let me know (but please don't wait until the end of June!).

Dan Moberg
State Program Director
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Supreme Council Awards Scholarship to Idaho Student

State Deputy Mike Townsend has received notice that the Trustees of the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Pro Deo and Pro Patria Scholarships have selected Theresa M. Uhlenkott of Grangeville as a winner of one of their scholarship awards. The scholarship is for up to \$1,500.00 annually.

Theresa received a notification letter from Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. In the letter, he congratulated her on this honor and assured her of his good wishes for success in her college program which will begin in September 2018. Theresa is planning to attend Franciscan University of Steubenville.

Theresa comes from at least two generations of Knights. Her Grandfather is Chuck Uhlenkott, a member of Cottonwood Council #1389. Her Father is Greg Uhlenkott is a member of Grangeville Council #4058.

We congratulate Theresa for her outstanding work in being awarded this scholarship from the Knights of Columbus. There are many opportunities for financial assistance through the Knights of Columbus Scholarship programs and Idaho has been awarded numerous scholarships over the past years.



Assembly Actions

John Pettinger PSD - Idaho District Master

Brothers,

In this newsletter I will discuss future Fourth Degree exemplifications, the results of the biannual meeting, ordination of new priests for the diocese, the rescheduled Guadalupe Festival, and availability of new uniforms.

The final exemplification for this fraternal year is in Boise on June 2 at St. Mark's. It is time to start planning dates and host assemblies for the 2018/2019 fraternal year. I have already been approached by Twin Falls to host in southern Idaho (probably in April 2019). I will be looking for hosts in northern Idaho (during October or November 2018) and in central Idaho (in January and June 2019). Please let me know if you are interested in hosting a Fourth Degree exemplification in your location.

The biannual meeting of the Fourth Degree was held before the start of the state convention on April 20. Three names were submitted to our Vice Supreme Master for consideration by Supreme for appointment as District Master: myself, Kerry Hennessy, and Dave Ellingsen. We held a discussion, then submitted a resolution for Supreme to consider a sword baldric for the Color Corps that, by its color, would indicate the office held by its wearer. This would be an alternative to the colors of the capes previously worn as regalia. We also discussed the need for assemblies to do year-round recruiting to the Fourth Degree so that when exemplifications are scheduled, we are not scrambling to find candidates for the lesson of the Fourth Degree. This will eliminate cancellation of exemplifications for lack of candidates. To protect the Master's Fund, which only receives monies from candidate fees, we must have a minimum of 12 candidates for each exemplification held.

On June 7, Bishop Peter will be ordaining two new priests and one transitional deacon at St. John Cathedral. As usual, the Color Corps has been invited to participate in the Mass of Ordination. All Knights are encouraged to come and support these new priests who are so desperately needed in our diocese. Color Corps members should plan to arrive at the Cathedral by 10 AM for instruction and dressing. Both uniforms and regalia are welcome.

The Guadalupe Festival originally scheduled for June 23rd has been postponed until September 15 due to a conflict with the schedule of our featured speaker, Monsignor Eduardo Chavez, the postulator for the sainthood of Saint Juan Diego. The new date will fall on Mexican Independence Day. The Color Corps has been asked to provide an Honor Guard and security for the relics of Mexican martyrs which will be on display during the festival. We need both Color Corps members and any Knights that are willing to be in the presence of the relics to ensure their safety while in our care. Please contact me if you can help. I hope to have enough volunteers that everyone will only have one or two hours on duty during the day.

I am hearing from more Sir Knights that are receiving their new uniforms in recent days. Hopefully, the delays and availability are improving so more of you will be getting uniforms in the near future.

Vivat Jesus.

Delivering Hope, One Wheelchair at a Time

From: Dan Moberg - American Wheelchair Mission

Last December Knights from Idaho traveled to Guadalajara, Mexico, to deliver wheelchairs to the poorest of the poor, children and adults, who desperately need assistance with mobility. The wheelchairs were sponsored by Idaho Knights. State Deputy Mike Townsend, Fr. Ben Uhlenkott, Shane Gehring and Dan Moberg were all touched deeply by the need of those who were visited, as well as the love and outpouring of gratitude from those who received wheelchairs and from their families and loved ones. State Secretary Shane said that "It was a life changing experience" and he hopes that more Knights from Idaho, and their families, will take advantage of the next opportunity to enjoy this experience. That experience is currently in the works.



State Deputy Mike Townsend
delivering a wheelchair



This year the target wheelchair project is to deliver a container of wheelchairs to Mexico City in an effort to bring life-changing hope to the poorest of the poor in the city of Our Lady of Guadalupe, our

Mother of the Americas. We will be delivering wheelchairs to the children at the children's rehabilitation center(s) in the greater Mexico City area. It will depend on how many wheelchairs we sponsor as to how many CRIT centers we will be able to assist. We will also take time to tour Tepeyac Hill and visit the actual places where the apparitions occurred; and we will visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, attend Mass there and view the Tilma of St. Juan Diego containing the image of Our Lady.

In order for this to happen, we need your help. We encourage every council to donate to the cause. Every \$150.00 delivers one wheelchair and we need at least 280 wheelchairs to fill one container. So, we ask you to be as generous as possible. Please

consider a "Wheelchair Sunday", where we will come to your parish and deliver a 10 minute presentation during all of the Saturday and Sunday Masses. This is a highly successful program and I would love to tell you all about it. Please call or e-mail me with questions. Please help us bring hope to the poorest of the poor. Thank you and God bless.

Faith in Action

From: Paul Petro, DD#5

Surge with Service was introduced as a program model nearly 50 years ago. Now a new program model called Faith in Action will take effect with the 2018-2019 fraternal year. The model is a simplified program structure that will help align and organize council programs, making it a more relevant model for every council. The updated program model will:

- Be the umbrella for all Supreme Council recommend programs.
- Consist of four categories: Faith, Family, Community and Life.
- Better integrate Domestic Church programs.
- Reduce the number of programs required to earn the Columbian Award to 16 (four programs in four categories).
- Introduce nine new programs.

More detailed information to follow.

Online Membership

From: Paul Petro, DD#5

Everyone should have received an e-mail from our membership director concerning online membership program which will become active in Idaho on May 21st.

The state council goal is to bring in 5 new members per district within the first week. So please get the word out by every means available. If you did not receive the e-mail message please let your DD or Council/Assembly officer know so the appropriate paperwork can be received.

KNIGHTS IDAHO SILVER ROSE SCHEDULE - 2018

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Silver Rose Transfer - Moscow

The Silver Rose, on its annual pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, was transferred from Washington to Idaho on Sunday May 27th at St. Augustine's Church in Moscow. An Honor Guard from Fr. Cataldo Assembly #182 led the procession, followed by children in the parish who presented roses to Mary at the beginning of Mass. At the end of Mass, Scott Hulse, Washington Silver Rose Chairman, officially handed off the Silver Rose to Jeff Finken, a representative of the Idaho State Council, assuring him of the Rose's safe travels throughout Idaho.

Jeff Finken - DD#10



Scott Hulse
 Washington
 Silver Rose
 Chair
 transferring
 to Jeff
 Finken,
 representing
 the Idaho
 State
 Council.



Fr. Chase Hasenoehrl



Children presenting Roses to Mary



David Gonzalez - Financial Secretary
Moscow 1397

ST. PIUS X COUNCIL 11623 - CDA



Thanks to the generosity of St. Pius parishioners, our April Breakfast for the Fr. Roger LaChance Scholarship Fund raised \$530. Pictured left to right are Steve Murphy, Ralph Reyes, Gen Abbott and Tom Tintinger as they prepare to serve breakfast.



Ralph Reyes receives Knight of the Month Certificate from GK Dave Sonnen.



Our Council's newest 3rd Degree knight, Mike Lovell, is pictured on left along with FS John Webb. The Exemplification was held at St. Joseph Parish in Colbert, WA on Saturday, April 28.



Wayne Hash receives Family of the Month Certificate from GK Dave Sonnen.



Sandy Johnson of Hospice of North Idaho receives \$380 from GK Dave Sonnen.



Wade Toombs receives a gift certificate in appreciation of his above-and-beyond help with the Fish Fry.

THE LAST WORD

Mike Townsend - Idaho State Deputy

Brothers,

June first marks the beginning of the final month of our fraternal year. One only needs to read this newsletter or visit the state website to know all the good works that the Knights in Idaho have accomplished during this past year. We also brought Catholic men into the Knights so that we can accomplish even more. Always remember the lesson of the fiber that is taught in the Formation Degree. Together, we are capable of doing so much more good than we could ever imagine doing alone.

Last year, Idaho missed the Circle of Honor by 16 new members. We have begun the final push to the Star Council and Circle of Honor awards. Many of the councils in Idaho are only a few members short of achieving their membership goals for this fraternal year. Most councils can reach their goal with a little assistance from each of us. Please recommit to help your council achieve their new member goal for this year.

We have entered an exciting time in the Knights of Columbus. Idaho came online with E-membership on May 21 and almost immediately 2 men joined with us. These men are currently in the process of joining their local council. E-membership is the perfect answer to the man who says that he supports what the Knights do, but is too busy to come to council meetings. This new initiative allows a man to become a Knight online and support what we do. When time allows him to become more active, he can join a council.

Another change that will shortly become effective is the "Faith in Action". I believe that this new format will allow councils more freedom to address the spiritual side of the Knights of Columbus as well as the needs of each individual Parish. Faith in Action will change the organizational structure of the council and reduces the number of chairmen to four. It also reduces the number of programs required to be completed to achieve Star Council to 16 from the current requirement of 24.

The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic men's organization in the world. We are not just a men's club, we effect change in everything that we do. We have a great gift that we can offer to other Catholic men and their families. Help them grow their faith and spirituality by joining with us.

Remember that as Knights, "WE SAVE LIVES AND WE CHANGE LIVES". Together we make a difference in our world, every day. The more Knights there are the more we can do together for our families, Parishes and communities. Reach out and ask another Catholic man to join their efforts with ours.



Vivat Jesus!

