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Brothers and Families!

"Happy Fall Season to All!! -- (Continued)!!!



State Deputy Francis Mohr

"The work in my father's vineyards is much but the laborers are few."

What do you all think?? Could this be your promoting banner for your Fall Season Membership Drive?

I know this was the start of last month's message. October is the month in full swing for harvest: the wheat bins, corn bins, potato cellars, onions cellars, etc. are being filled. Likewise the month of October has always been one of those "Seasons of Harvest" where we bring in new members and grow the Order!!

Is every Council doing something to evangelize the message and value of a Knights of Columbus Council as part of their Parish Ministry?? If you didn't order a "recruitment kit" from Supreme (which is free!!), then you can at least make a simple announcement from the podium after Mass about the Knights and have a few Brothers passing out one of Holy Cards provided by the Knights of Columbus and/or the 2-3 page fold-out brochure (most of which are also free). A very simple greetings ---"Here's a gift from the Knights of Columbus." Some may ask a few questions at that time. Recruitment is not necessarily filling the barn full of hay that Sunday; BUT your contact is important.

So let's reach out Brothers!! Use the same questions Fr. McGivney asked those few men that evening in St. Mary's Hall. "Will you help me?" Will you help the widow and children? Will you help the poor in the parish? Will you be a strong Catholic role model in our community?"

Remember, recruitment and growing the Order is not just about numbers. We all know about numbers. I receive letters from the Supreme Office with numbers---unfortunately it's a list of suspensions, not the numbers that mean growth!!. You also know numbers. Your Council has quotas in order to achieve an award. You also have numbers of members lost, unknown or not paying dues.

In our recent State Deputy meeting, the Supreme Knight asked similar questions Fr. McGivney asked: "Will you help me? Will you help grow the Order"!! My Brothers, when we have an interested person, we need to follow up!! "Growing the Order" also means retaining the Order!! The wheat, corn, etc. in the bins and new members you bring in also need to remain vital. I appreciate the approach that our Retention Chairman Jon Keefer and our Membership Director Michael Woody are attempting to promote: Retaining versus retention.

In promotional presentations I have given from the podium at various parishes, I strongly emphasized the questions Fr. McGivney asked and the **basics** that formed our organization, the Knights of Columbus: **Charity, Family and a stronger Profession of our Faith.** These basics are

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also the major Programs for the Knights of Columbus: Faith, Family, Community and Life. I hope you also recognize that the new name "Faith in Action" relates to the basics that formed the Knights of Columbus. If I'm wrong, then please, you can tell me.

I applaud the name change for our programs as *Faith in Action*. What activities can you promote to strengthen your Council? What activities can you promote with other groups in your parish or with your Pastor and revitalize the community atmosphere of your Parish? What can your Council do to be the "Right Arm of the Church"? What is the opportunity to reach-out and co-sponsor with other groups of the parish or the community? For the parish, it can build and strengthen parish community. For the civic community, it helps to evangelize what the Knights of Columbus do and stand for as a group. What activities can be done to invite other Catholic men to help be our *"Laborers for our Father's Vineyards?"*

Let's make this month of harvest fruitful. We all have gifts as St. Paul says in one of his letters to the Corinthians. Each one of us can do something to assist with an activity of Faith, Community, Family or Life that may involve a new acquaintance---and possibly a new Brother!!

"Come Holy Spirit"

Vivat Jesus

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Posted on our Facebook Page Oct 10, 2018

"Thanks to all of our Brother Knights for their generosity. You are such a blessing to our ministry"

Mater Dei Radio's 2018 Fall Sharathon "United in the Rosary" runs through 7:00pm on Friday, October 12.

To donate 888-823-5286 or www.MaterDeiRadio.com



The roar that we hear when we place a seashell next to our ear is not the ocean, but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins in the ear

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.





Father Jonathan D. Kalisch, O.P. Director of Chaplains and Spiritual Development

Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Report

From the Director's Desk

More Human Reactions

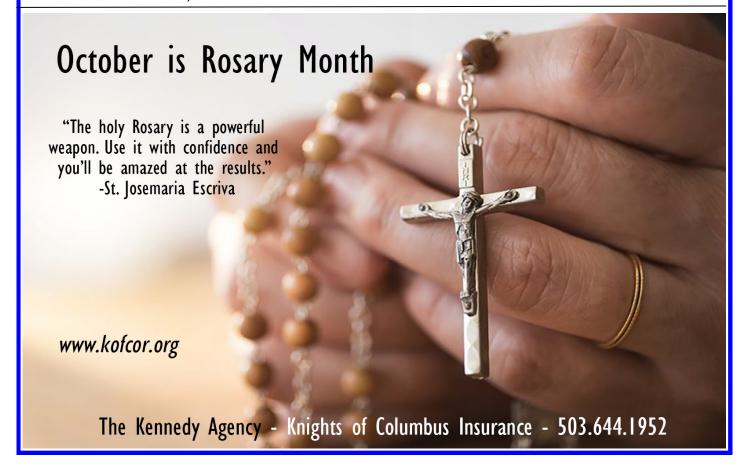
The evil, crimes and sins recently revealed so publicly underscore the serious need for us to engage the spiritual battle raging around us. In his letter on August 20, 2018, Pope Francis summoned us to a solidarity in fighting "especially spiritual corruption." The Holy Father asked each of us to undertake "a personal and communal conversion that makes us see things as the Lord does" through prayer, penance and fasting.

During this time it may prove fruitful to use the "Into the Breach" document as a tool for prayer and discussion to identify how and where Brother Knights and other Catholic men can step into the breach now being experienced as such a wide rift in the Church.

As one young adult college student posted on Facebook: "Let's have more human reactions, rage and sorrow and hurt, and less manicured meaningless statistics, please. To all of our good holy priests who have stood up and been fathers rather than politicians to those who are hurting, scared, despairing in these dark days — thank you. If this is this hard on lay people, I can only imagine how hard it is on faithful priests. As much as we criticize and rage at our church, let's make sure we spend more time praying for our priests."

As Chaplains, may we direct the charity of our Brother Knights toward prayerful solidarity with the victims of abuse and with all who are grieving and striving to combat the works of the Enemy within the Church. May Father McGivney intercede for each of as we lay down our lives with Christ our Lord. *Vivat Jesus!*

Father Jonathan D. Kalisch, O.P.



Michael Rooke State advocate

State Advocate Report

My Brother Knights,

Welcome to Fall! Days get shorter, nights get cooler, the leaves of the trees turn to unimaginable colors and our good works in the Knights of Columbus continue.

However, my letter this time is more about looking inside of the Knights and dealing with a less pleasant subject – paperwork.

I get it – none of us likes paperwork. But it is really necessary to keep track of the mundane and the important information that that Supreme Office needs for our non-profit status, for keeping our Financial Secretary's and Treasurer's bond in place, the thousands of hours of donated time, keeping the children involved in our programs safe and making sure our new Brother's Form 100 paperwork gets recorded with Supreme.

We are approximately 100 days into the new Fraternal Year and here is how we stand:

Officers Chosen Report, due 07/01/18 – 74.4%
Program Personnel Report, due 08/01/18 – 63.4%
Semi-annual Audit, due 08/15/18 – 61.3%

And now on to the Safe Environment program from Praesidium:

Grand Knights that have completed required training – 47 of 92, or 50.5%

Program Directors that have completed required training – 28 of 92, or 30.1%

Community Directors that have completed required training – 18 of 92, or 19.4%

Family Directors that have completed required training – 17 of 92, or 18.3%

These reports and training are important to you, even if you don't think so. The **Officers Chosen** report allows our Supreme office to get email and snail mail information so that it can be sent to the various Officers as it is needed.

The **Program Personnel** Report keeps Supreme advised of who the different Directors and Chairman are, so that they can send information as needed to them as well.

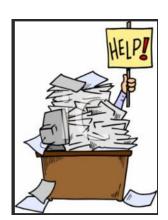
The semi-annual audit is required so that your Financial Secretary and Treasurer can remain bonded.

And the **Safe Environment** program uses both the Officers Chosen Report and the Program Personnel Report to notify the specific individuals who need to take this training of their login information. Remember, you have 30 days to take your training or your Grand Knight will have to appoint a new Director, all because you didn't complete the training within the prescribed time.

My Brothers, we have a way to go to bring these numbers up, but I am confident that we can get it done! As I said, none of us likes paperwork, but it's necessary to get to where we want to be by the end of the Fraternal Year. We want to see all of you make Star Council and getting the required paperwork and training completed is a small price to pay.

Vivat Jesus!

Michael D. Rooke Oregon State Council Advocate Ph: 503-888-5939 michael@rooke.com



District 09 In Action

Submitted by: DD09 Joseph Schaecher

Former District Deputy Larry Mullaly was instrumental in completing the paperwork through Todd Cooper at Portland Archdiocese and Knights of Columbus Supreme.

Thanks so much to all parishioners at Shepherd of the Valley (Central Point), Our Lady of the Mountain (Ashland), and Sacred Heart (Medford) for the funds that Supreme matched.



Larry Mullaly, Beth Sheets (Executive Director, Pregnancy Center), and DD09 Joe Schaecher Photos by Joe Schaecher

The Knights of Columbus in the Rogue Valley came together to support the annual banquet for The Pregnancy Center in Medford.

Members from Council 1594 and 11258 (Assembly 905) and Council 3157 (Assembly 2437) were in attendance.

Assembly 905 provided support for the event by greeting guests and assistance in seating. Councils 1594, 11258 & 13407 (Medford, Central Point and Ashland) were recognized for purchasing their newest cart-type ultrasound machine.



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"Come, Follow Me"

Mark 10:21



Men's Retreat

Become the man God calls you to be through a dynamic, life-changing weekend retreat.

The Come, Follow Me retreat creates an environment where a personal encounter with Christ is possible. Through your personal journey with Christ, you transform your four fundamental relationships: with God, with self, with others and with the world.

Come, join us!

Date: January 25-27, 2019

Time: Friday, January 25 @ 7 pm - Sunday, January 27 @ 3 pm

Location: Fr. Bernard Youth Center, Mt. Angel, OR

Cost: \$125 (scholarships available)

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Make checks payable to St. Edwar	d Catholic Church in the amount of \$125. Mail check and this registration information to
St. Edward Catholic Church, 100 S	Main Street, Lebanon, OR 97355.
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Oregon KofC Men's Retreat 2019

Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton

TO: All State Officers, PSDs, General and Field Agents, State Program Directors and Chairmen, District Deputies, Council Officers, Sir Knights and **ALL BROTHER KNIGHTS!**

You are invited and urged to attend the 2019 Oregon State Council Men's Retreat, April 5-7, 2019.

Retreat Master: Oregon State Chaplain Father Theodore Lange

As a Knight of Columbus, what are a few reasons why you should attend?

- To break your "routine" and to relax your body and mind.
- To spend a Lenten weekend away from cares and frustrations.
- To spend some silent time to hear the Voice of God.
- To discover the "important" things and to reexamine the priorities in your life.
- To pray for your family, friends and for yourself.

To pray for the Knights of Columbus, our Brothers and for the success of our programs.

The Oregon State Council Men's Retreat is an opportunity to get away from all the stress of the outside world and enjoy all that God has to offer. Reflections Discussions Holy Mass Adoration Confessions Fraternity among Brothers.

"Hold my Spot" Registration Deposit \$25 (Non-Refundable)

"Early Bird Registration" (before October 31) \$190 (if you paid a deposit, then \$165)

"Registration" (after Oct 31, 2018) \$200 (if you paid a deposit, then \$175)

Friday and Saturday Overnight w/6 meals (Friday Dinner; Saturday Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner; Sunday Continental Breakfast and Lunch.)

Retreatants who live close to OLP, if desired, may leave at bedtime dismissal and return for our morning prayers and the breakfast meal together.

Mail Checks to: Ron Boyce PO Box 23093 Tigard, OR 97281 (payable to Oregon KofC). Include a copy of your registration when completed. Noteline: Oregon Retreat

For secure online payment visit https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause pdetails/Mzg4MDU lf you have questions contact Mike at woodygap@comcast.net

If this is your first retreat, no worries. This is a perfect opportunity to find God's Mercy. Come as you are!

+ We thank you Lord for all your guidance and blessings, and we continue to place
all we do as Knights firmly in Your hands. This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen +



Online Membership is Now Live! Promote It and Win Knights Gear!



Now you can invite eligible Catholic men to take their first step toward a committed, lifelong and Council-based membership in the Order by signing up online.

Any member who recruits 5 new members by September 30, 2018 will receive a \$50 gift card for Knights Gear, along with free shipping!

We are uniquely positioned to help other men lead with faith, protect their families, serve others, and defend their values. It's now even easier to invite them to become Knights of Columbus so they too can enjoy the same life changing benefits and experiences that we have.

Personal invitations always work best. Talk to them. Text them. Email them. www.knights.net.



Grow more fully into the person God calls you to be through a dynamic, life-changing weekend retreat.

Rekindle and deepen your relationship with Christ.

Come together in fellowship and friendship.

"You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." – St. Augustine

Many Christians are not living their faith. Some go to church but don't participate in their faith community while others have stopped going to church altogether. For many, their faith is not present in their business and personal relationships or in their actions.

At the same time, these people are restless. They sense that something is missing but they may not know what it is. They may feel lost and isolated because they are hurt and suffering. They may be carrying guilt for past failures. They may be hungry for deeper, meaningful relationships. Or, they may simply feel like there should be more to life. Many Christians feel such a 'hole' in their lives – and they want to fill it.

At Come, Follow Me Retreats we believe that only God can fill the hole in our lives. Each of us fills the hole by developing a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and living in it each day.

The mission of Come Follow Me Retreats is to create an environment where a personal encounter with Christ is possible for each of us. By encountering Christ, you will develop an ever-lasting relationship with Jesus. Through your personal journey with Christ, you transform your four fundamental relationships: with God, with self, with others and with the world.

Come join us!

Spiritual Director - Father Peter O'Brien

Father Peter grew up in Cheyenne, Wyoming and attended St. Mary Catholic School from grades 1 through 12. While working as an electric lineman, he discovered his calling to the priesthood which led him to Mt. Angel, Oregon and his subsequent incardination to the Archdiocese of Portland. At Mt. Angel, he achieved a BA in Philosophy and English and a Master's Degree of Divinity. He was ordained to the priesthood on June 11th, 2005. Since then he has served at St. Cecilia in Beaverton, St. Anne in Grants Pass, St. Monica in Coos Bay and is currently serving St. Edward in Lebanon, St. Bernard in Scio, and St. Thomas in Jefferson.



Tom Radel State warden

"Faith in Action Program Planning"

Brother Knights,

It is that time of the year when Councils should be planning some important programs that are time sensitive for Fall and Winter.

First is Coats for Kids. This is a featured program under Community. This is time to start placing your orders for coats to distribute during the cold Fall and Winter days. Coats can be ordered on Knights Gear at:

www.knightsgear.com Complete program information can be viewed in the Supreme website.

<u>Second is Soccer Challenge</u>. This is also under <u>Community</u>. Council soccer challenges are to be held in October. Soccer challenge kits can be ordered through Supplies Online—the supply ordering portal is available on Officers Online.

<u>Third is Consecration to the Holy Family</u>. **This is a required program under <u>Family</u> in order to receive the Columbian Award.** This would be a great program to hold near the Christmas Season.

Remember to send your State Reports the corresponding Program Director who reviews the report and forwards it to State Treasure to be tallied and posted online

Under the "Faith in Action" Program model there are now only 4 Program Categories" with the 4 State Program Directors:

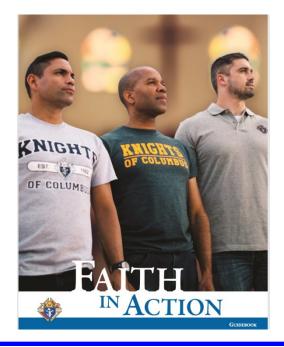
<u>FAITH -</u> Ray Prom <u>COMMUNITY -</u> Kent Purdy <u>FAMILY -</u> Robert Adams <u>LIFE -</u> Patrick Parsons

Faith in Action Guide Books can be viewed online from the Supreme Site. Guidebooks will be ready for you to order at the Council level soon. We will send out a notice when you can start to place an order.

Thank you

Tom Radel

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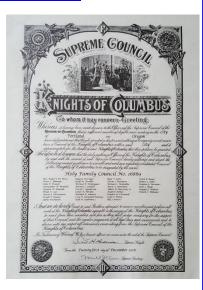


Newest Council in Oregon—Holy Family 16889

On October 6th Oregon's newest Council Holy Family 16889 (Portland), celebrated the presentation of their Charter by our Worthy State Deputy Francis Mohr during the 5:30 p.m. Mass. The day started off by hosting an Admissions Degree where a total of 13 new Brother Knights from around the state were welcomed. This was followed by the Formation and Knighthood degrees where a total of 27 Brothers from around the state and as far away as Stanton, CA (south of Los Angeles) continued their journey to full Knighthood.

The charter was then presented with an honor guard by some of our Fourth D egree Brothers and blessed by Fr. Rodel DeMesa, Pastor of Holy Family Parish, who also completed his journey to Knighthood, with his 2nd and 3rd degree earlier that day.

After Mass the parish hosted a dinner open to everyone to celebrate the partnership of the Knights of Columbus and Holy Family Parish in their newest Council being ready to humbly serve the community.



The Holy Family Council would like to thank the Fourth Degree Knights, the First Degree team from St. John the Apostle and Christ the King and the State Second/Third Degree team for making the day's events possible.

We would also like to convey our deep appreciation to the service and dedication of our Brothers at Christ the King Council 9257, Doug Hagedon (Field Agent), Larry Lanz (Past District Deputy) and Nick Guarrillo (District Deputy 14) who made our journey to create a new Council possible. Their support and guidance has been so very invaluable.

Steve Tassinari, Grand Knight Holy Family Council 16889 503-515-1432













Council In Action

By: Paul Crawford Council 3484

The Knights of Columbus Council 3484 would like to thank the Canby 3rd Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for sponsoring St. Patrick's Church in Canby for their annual Community Service Project. For years, we have worked with our local members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who come each month to volunteer at our St. Patrick's St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank. This year, the Canby 3rd Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints chose St. Patrick's Church for their annual community service project.

On September 19th, a crew of Knights cut down 16 large, diseased pine trees on the church property. Three days later, over 80 volunteers from the Canby 3rd Ward of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints came to help. About 30 men with chainsaws worked tirelessly to saw limbs off the trees, cut trunks into 16' segments, and haul the branches to the chipper machine operated by the Knights. The 16" rounds were then neatly stacked by the driveway and made available to the community free of charge. Kahuts Waste Services (members of our parish at St. Patrick's) donated three 30-yard debris bins which ended up filled to the brim.

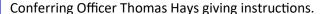
Inside, a group of over 35 women helped in the food bank by sorting donated food, cleaning and organizing. At noon we shared a meal together and enjoyed the fellowship.

Working together, the Knights of Columbus, the St Vincent Paul Society, and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are a great illustration of Christ's love in action.

2nd and 3rd Degrees Held at St. Alice, Springfield

On Saturday, September 29th, 10 First Degree members obtained their 2nd and 3rd Degrees and were Knighted by DD04 Scott Kessler. The conferring officer was Thomas Hays. The team did a fantastic job and the Degrees were completed in a well coordinated time. Our Executive Officer, Michael Woody stepped up and filled in for one of the Officers. The following Knights received their degrees: Theodore Adair Council 9529, Alex Walker Council 4087, Roger Scott and Steve Gill Council 1430, Rich Vaughn and Gordon Okumu Council 10838, Rich McKim Council 2939 John Duncan and Daniel Morris Council 15773.







Theodore Adair Council 9529 being Knighted

Yes on Measure 106: Ballots arrive in less than three weeks!

Dear Grand Knights, Financial Secretary, District Deputies,

Ballots will be arriving in less than three weeks, and we need your help to get the message out. Beyond just voting YES, here are **five things** you can do right now to help Measure 106 win.

- 1) Make sure your voter registration is active and accurate. The deadline to register to vote is October 16th.
- 2) Write a letter to your local newspaper editor.
- **3) Get yard signs and information cards** to share with your group or church.
- 4) Share the message on Facebook. Start by liking the Yes on Measure 106 page at facebook.com/yes106
- **5)** Make a financial contribution. Many people are giving their no-cost \$50 or \$100 Oregon political tax credit to support Measure 106, and some people have been able to give generously beyond that.

A big "Thank you!" to everyone who has contributed so far. Because of you, we are now reaching tens of thousands of voters with the message to vote YES on Measure 106.

If you haven't contributed recently, there's still time for you to make a big difference in our **targeted voter outreach that includes online advertising, direct mailings, and more**. As an example, your \$100 contribution will enable us reach up to 10,000 more voters online.

Brothers, as we're approaching election day I want you to know that your voice matters. Pray. Speak up. Take action. Thank you for doing something today to help Measure 106 win in November.

Vivat Jesus,

Ron Boyce Knights of Columbus Oregon State Secretary PO Box 23093 Tigard, OR 97281 Cell 503-730-1986



Council In Action

Central Point Knights of Columbus French Toast Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus at Shepherd of the Valley will be hosting a French Toast Breakfast Sunday, October 14th, in the Parish Hall after the 8:30am Mass.

The Breakfast will provide both Knights and parishioners a great opportunity to meet, share and build on our parish community.

We hope to see you Sunday.

Chris Erno Council 11258 Central Point



It is imperative to get this letter distributed to as many parishes as quickly as possible. We have a little over 2.5 weeks before ballots are mailed out on Oct. 17th. We need to alert all Catholics that Measure 106 to stop our state taxes funding abortion is on the ballot. This is a crucial and rare opportunity to vote for Life.

A letter has been sent, by an attachment to other messages, to all Catholic Oregonians of the Portland Archdiocese and Diocese of Baker from Fr. Matt Libra, Associate Director for Pro-Life Activities, encouraging us to vote <u>yes on</u> Measure 106.

Can you please share these resources with your parish?

Suggestions:

Pastor may utilize this to be read at Masses

Bulletin insert

Hand out after Mass

Posted and available in prominent locations of the parish

However is best in your parish to help communicate the need for Catholics to vote this November...

Shown above is an OLU flyer highlighting the <u>yes106 campaign</u> (Spanish and English) that we can distribute in the parishes as well.

Please share this email with your pro life Catholic contacts. We need a spiritual wildfire right now!

My deepest gratitude for your dedicated support with this massive pro life effort. Together, through Christ, we can make a difference for Life in Oregon.

In Christ,

Suzanne Belatti Co-Chief Petitioner Stop the Funding St. Therese Parishioner, Portland Mother and Advocate for Life



October 10, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ!

With your help, Oregon voters were able to get an important, state-wide citizen initiative on the November ballot. Measure 106 is the Stop Taxpayer Funding for Abortion measure.

Through the Oregon Health Plan, Oregon taxpayers fund ten abortions every day. It is heartbreaking to know that our public taxes are used in a way that not only results in the death of a child in the womb, but also harms women and families.

Catholics have a special responsibility to be involved in political affairs. While the church is non-partisan, we do speak out on matters that impact the good of our neighbors and the larger community. Following the example of Jesus, we reach out especially to assist those who are struggling with life's difficult burdens and protect those who are vulnerable.

In the case of abortion, the Church understands the difficult choice a woman may face if she has an unplanned pregnancy. Abortion can seem like an easy solution, but ending the life of a newly conceived child is a costly choice. Every child is a precious gift. In addition to killing a child in the womb, abortion causes devastating emotional, spiritual and physical harm to women, children and families.

Our public tax dollars should be used to truly support women and families in need and not to pay for the irreversible and harmful effects of abortion. Oregonians should no longer be forced to pay for elective, late-term and even sex-selective abortions. Please vote Yes on Measure 106.

We know that the majority of Americans oppose using taxpayer money for elective abortions. In fact, thirty-two states and the District of Columbia already prohibit the use of public funds for abortion. Oregon can join them by voting YES on Measure 106.

Voting YES on Measure 106 will not stop all taxpayer money from funding abortions, and it will not prevent women from continuing to choose abortion, but it will limit the use of public money that can be used to pay for abortions. By voting YES on Measure 106, we will let Oregon legislators know we do not want public funds used to pay for elective abortions.

Please vote YES on Measure 106. As Catholics, in good conscience, we have a responsibility to work through the legislative process to reduce and even eliminate abortions whenever possible. Measure 106 gives us that opportunity. Please join me in voting YES on Measure 106. May God bless you and your family.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

Most Rev. Alexander K. Sample

Archbishop of Portland in Oregon



10 de octubre, 2018

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

¡Alabado sea Jesucristo!

Con su ayuda, los votantes de Oregon pudieron obtener una importante iniciativa ciudadana a nivel estatal en la papeleta electoral de Noviembre. La Medida 106 (Measure 106) es el proyecto para detener los pagos de contribuyentes para financiar el aborto.

A través del plan de salud Oregon Health Plan, los contribuyentes de Oregon financian diez abortos cada día. Es desgarrador saber que nuestros impuestos públicos están siendo utilizados en una forma que no sólo resulta en la muerte de un niño en el vientre, sino que además daña a las mujeres y a las familias.

Los católicos tienen una responsabilidad especial de involucrarse en assuntos políticos. Mientras la Iglesia no es partidaria, sí nos expresamos sobre temas que impactan el bien de nuestros vecinos y de la comunidad en general. Siguiendo el ejemplo de Jesús, nos acercamos especialmente para asistir a aquellos quienes luchan con las cargas difíciles de la vida y para proteger a aquellos que son vulnerables.

En el caso del aborto, la Iglesia entiende la difícil elección que una mujer puede enfrentar si tiene un embarazo no planificado. El aborto aparenta ser una solución fácil, pero el terminar la vida de un niño recientemente concebido es una elección costosa. Cada niño es un regalo precioso. Además de matar a un niño en el vientre, el aborto causa daño devastador a nivel emocional, espiritual y físico a mujeres, niños y familias.

Nuestros dólares de impuestos públicos deberían ser utilizados para apoyar a mujeres y familias en necesidad, y no deben pagar por los efectos dañinos e irreversibles del aborto. Los residentes de Oregon no deberían ya más ser forzados a pagar por abortos electivos, en etapa tardía y hasta selectivos en función del sexo del bebé. Por favor vote "Sí" en la Medida 106.

Sabemos que la mayoría de los Americanos se oponen a utilizar dinero de contribuyentes para abortos electivos. De hecho, treinta y dos estados y el Distrito de Columbia ya prohíben el uso de fondos públicos para el aborto. Oregon puede unirse a ellos votando Sí en la Medida 106.

El votar Sí en el la Medida 106 no va a impedir que todo el dinero de los contribuyentes financie abortos, ni va a prevenir que las mujeres continúen escojiendo el aborto, pero va a limitar el uso de dinero público que puede ser utilizado para pagar por abortos. Al votar Sí en la Medida 106, les haremos saber a los legisladores de Oregon que no queremos que los fondos públicos se utilicen para pagar por abortos electivos.

Por favor vote SÍ en la Medida 106. Como católicos, en buena conciencia, tenemos una responsabilidad de trabajar a través del proceso legislativo para reducir e inclusive eliminar abortos cuando sea posible. La Medida 106 nos da esa oportunidad. Por favor únanse a mí al votar SÍ en la Medida 106. Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus familias.

Sinceramente suyo en el Señor,

Reverendísimo Alexander K. Sample

Arzobispo de Portland en Oregon



<u>Membership Incentives from</u> <u>Supreme for 2018-2019</u>



Yearly Incentives

Michael Woody Executive Secretary

Recruiters -The 10 top recruiters and their spouses will receive a complimentary trip to the International Supreme Convention and will sit at the Supreme Knight's Reserved Tables during the States Dinner. The Top Recruiter will receive the Top Recruiter Plaque during the Awards Ceremony.

Grand Knights -The top Grand Knight in each jurisdiction in the Insurance Territories (based on their Membership Quota will be entered into a raffle for 5 trips to New Haven for him and his spouse.

District Deputies -The top District Deputy in each jurisdiction in the Insurance Territories (based on their Membership Quota will be entered into a raffle for 5 trips to New Haven for him and his spouse.

#1 Grand Knight & District Deputy - The top Grand Knight and District Deputy along with their spouse in the Insurance Territories (based on their Membership Quota) is awarded a complimentary trip to the International Supreme Convention.

My Brother Knights of Oregon,

I would like you to take a moment to think back upon why you joined the Knights of Columbus. In most cases someone you knew and respected asked you to become a Knight. They worked with you to fill out the application for membership and they saw to it that you made your 1st Degree. I also hoped they were there to witness you advance into the 2nd & 3rd degree. Something about the Knights of Columbus should make you want to share our Order with another Catholic man.

Being proud of our many Oregon traditions that have been woven into the myriad aspects of membership, Council growth, Star Council, programs, charities, developing Domestic Church, and the new Evangelization, takes a lot of hard work and faith in action. The focus of our many efforts will now center on Faith in Action. Our membership approach now includes digital access and even the look of patriotism is changing before us. This brings new challenges and greater opportunities.

To keep our honored position in the Order will require dedicated leaders willing to let their light shine so all can see our good works. And leadership always has a plan. And our plan calls for:

Recruit 461 new members and continue to reduce suspensions

Getting all 91 Oregon Councils Membership active

Creating 2 new Oregon Councils

Sponsorship of more Round Tables to provide a KofC presence in every Oregon Parish and Mission Church

25 Star Councils - Star Council is always the goal

Build the Domestic Church with Faith in Action initiatives and programs

Charity and Service demonstrated appreciably at all State, District and Council levels

Active support and celebration of those who serve us, especially clergy, religious, military, veterans, law enforcement, and first responders

We can with hope and clarity, continuously say: "We haven't had our best year yet!" Those whose shoulders we stand on would encourage and fortify that thought. So, let's plan for the best year yet. Let's stay always positive and let's have some fun along the way.

This weekend, will you join me and the other members of the Membership Team? Take a few minutes stop a Catholic man leaving church, shake his hand, look him in the eye and tell him "I am a member of the Knights of Columbus and would like YOU to join us." This simple act will help his family, his church and his community. It can be done but we need your help. We all must do our part to share the vision of Fr. Michael J. McGivney, the Venable Servant of God.

Good things happen when we ALL make it happen. Let your Light Shine upon another.

Fraternally,

Michael Woody Oregon Membership



Knights of Columbus

Special Notice From State Deputy

OREGON STATE COUNCIL

Office of the State Deputy

October 7, 2018

EXCELLENT SUGGESTIONS FROM ARCHBISHOP LUNCHEON

This past weekend the State Officers had our annual luncheon with Archbishop Sample. The Knights of Columbus Councils' relationships with Pastors were discussed. There was mutual understanding that not every Council may have developed a strong working relationship as the "Right Arm of the Church," and support system for pastors.

I feel Archbishop's suggestions need to be heard now. Clergy need to know we are there to support, especially now. He referred to the Domestic Church Initiative as a great foundation, and has evolved to be into *Faith in Action*. Some of his specific suggestions are these:

- How solid is the Council's foundation with the Pastor? Even if you feel there is an existing solid foundation, re-visit it. This could be done bi-monthly or quarterly, but don't continue to take for granted that the foundation is completely solid.
- Someone from the Council needs to visit with the Pastor with the question: "How can we help you? How/what items on your full plate of duties can we help you with?"
- This may be the Grand Knight, another Council Officer or someone who can serve as "contact" with the Pastor. It doesn't have to be one of the Council elected officials.
- The approach NEEDS TO BE How can we help you? Do not begin your conversation with "Here are the Knight's activities we want to do to help the parish."

I heard the message loud and clear. The opportunity to develop the Faith in Action Programs is at our doorstep. We need to act **NOW** --- not next Calendar Year, not next Fiscal Year, and not even next month. Why not this month?? **Why??**

You will see this topic discussed in the near future. I hope you also sense the need for us to be proactive. **Consider** how you can develop this supportive relationship with your pastor.

Vivat Jesus!
Francis Mohr, State Deputy,
"Come Holy Spirit"







Fraternally yours,

Unights of Columbus

OREGON STATE COUNCIL

October 8, 2018

Dear Grand Knights, Financial Secretaries & Council Members,

REFERENCE: "Keep Christ in CHRISTmas" State Program (Highway Billboards)

<u>Merry Christmas!!</u> Frost on the north side of roofs the past two mornings was an awakening that the season to request your assistance and reserve highway billboard space is **NOW!!**

Keep Christ in Christmas Billboards are posted along the Highways of Oregon starting in November. I am attempting to rent a few "High Public Exposure" billboards for both November and December. According to statistics provided by the three billboard companies we used, these billboard sites provided nearly three million "viewing impressions." A "viewing impression" is defined as adults 18 years or older who passed by and could have seen the billboard image and/or message.

The view on the billboard is the Nativity scene (Joseph, Mary and the Christ Child) with the phrase "Keep Christ in Christmas", along with 10 inch bold letters at the bottom indicating the sponsor is: "Oregon Knights of Columbus." Last year 22 Councils participated or 25%. My Brothers can't we do better? As Chairman, my goal is "involvement" i.e. every Council participating with some contribution. As Knights, we know the power of unity.

What might your Council or Assembly contribute? You can consider the range of contributions received past year which was \$50 to \$550. **All amounts help!**

You can help with the planning effort for this Christmas Season by sending your contribution now.

Don't hesitate to call me – (541) 523-6245, with any questions. Please mail the **COMMITMENT NOTICE** -- and hopefully a check!! --- To our State Secretary, Ron Boyce, P.O. Box 23093. Tigard, OR 97281. Thank you for your timely attention and assistance with this State Activity.

Officer's Name: Position: _____

Faith In Action—Through The Helping Hands of Knights

By: Mark Gromolski, GK

On September 22nd, several Knights and I went to the home of Bernidine Chamberlin a 74 year old widow whose husband passed without completing several household projects that needed to be done. He had purchased the materials but never had the chance to install them.

Ms. Chamberlin lives across the street from one of our Knights. When our Knight brought this woman's plight to our Council meeting, I asked for support from our Knights to help her. The next day I met the woman and explained that the Knights of Columbus would like to help. Ms. Chamberlin said she was not a Catholic and that she left the church years ago. I said that did not matter; we wanted to help and we could have a crew ready for the following day. She was in shock but agreed to let us help her.

On Saturday four Knights and myself arrived at her home. It was 9 am. We started several projects at once, 2 knights went to work cutting down trees, over hanging limbs and trimming bushes. One Knight began installing a bedroom ceiling fan where only a light existed, and another Knight began removing and installing a new kitchen sink. Once those projects were completed, we all moved on to removing a back door and installing a bigger back door, which involved cutting concrete, 2 x 4s and making a larger door frame.

We finished all these projects by 3:00 pm. removed the trees and limbs we cut down and left feeling great that we helped Ms. Chamberlin. She cried and blessed us for our help. Later that night the Knights helped serve dinner and clean up at our local Lion's Club annual Dinner. It was a long day. But it was worth it. Then we received the best news.

This past Sunday Ms. Chamberlin came to our Church. We have made a new friend. May God bless her and my fellow Knights.

Sincerely Yours,

Mark F. Gomolski Grand Knight Council #3999 Hermiston, Oregon, 97838

Council In Action

St. Fredrick's in St. Helen's presents a Fall Festival every year during this time. The Knights of Columbus from Council 3302 were serving baked potatoes with assorted toppings.

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"Be confident! Be bold! We need you to step into the Breach!"



"DAY OF REMEMBRANCE"

Submitted by: Manuel Buzo DD

On Sunday, September 9, 2018 Members of the Wilsonville Right to Life Committee and the Knights of Columbus Wilsonville Council 15640 sponsored a Memorial Service of Victims of Abortion in support of the National Day of Remembrance for the Victims of Abortion. The Remembrance Day service was held at the St. Cyril Church Activities Center in Old Town Wilsonville.

Master of Ceremony was Wilsonville Council Grand Knight George Ledoux. Featured speakers included Auxiliary Bishop Peter Smith, well known for his Pro-Life support, Oregon Right to Life Executive Director Ms. Lois Anderson and Canby Pregnancy Care Center Executive Director Ms. Linda Fender. The speakers inspired the group by their words, helping us understand what is going on around us and assuring us that our prayers can and will help make changes.

The Remembrance Day Memorial Service was very well attended with close to 90 adults and children participating. Following a moment of silence, children were given an individual flower and processed to the foot of the Monument. I was also pleased by our speakers who inspired this group by their words, helping us understand what is going on around us and our prayers together to help make changes.

Epilogue: Brother Knight Ray Klupenger is the Chair of the Wilsonville Right to Life Committee and was very instrumental in organizing the event. In the afternoon following the service Ray's wife Candy had a chance encounter with a stranger at the memorial. The lady asked Candy about the monument. After Candy described the Memorial Service that had taken place the lady confided that when she was 20 years old she became pregnant, was unmarried, scared and didn't know what to do. She knew she couldn't take care of a child and had nowhere or no one to turn to for advice. So she decided the best solution was to have an abortion .Thinking about it in her life, she admitted it wasn't the best thing to do but didn't feel like she had any other choice. Candy felt that she may have been searching for someone to talk to. Candy believes that it was a blessing for her – and for the lady-- and that the chance meeting was meant to be. It made "The Day of Remembrance" Memorial service for victims of abortion very special!

Members of the Knights of Columbus Patriotic Honor Guard included the Sir Knights Pat Rice, PSD, Sid Thiel, IPSD, Ken Anderson, DD/FN, Gregg Harris PGK, Manny Buzo, DD and George LeDoux, GK.











CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (PWID)

One of the most popular and successful programs conducted by local Councils benefits people with intellectual disabilities by collecting funds outside stores and on street corners. Knights, in appreciation, offer the donor a piece of wrapped candy, often a Tootsie Roll®.

The high visibility of this program has led to the campaign being referred to as the "Tootsie Roll® Drive." While the nickname is understandable, it is misleading since the Knights of Columbus has no official tie to Tootsie Rolls or their manufacturer. But, with their permission, the inside of the wrapper denotes it as a gift from your local Knights of Columbus Council.

Many Councils participate in the same fundraising drive, but distribute other items. References to this program should highlight the positive aspects of the fundraising and not advertise candy. If Councils in your District conduct this program, it is recommended that it be promoted as the "Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities."



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Pennies For Heaven

Patrick Rausch Pennies For heaven

As the State Chairman for the Pennies for Heaven (PFH) fund, I had the privilege of meeting with Rev. Msgr. Joseph Betschart, President-Rector up on the hill at Mount Angel Seminary. This was on September 12^{th,} when my wife Vicky and I presented this year's PFH donation check of \$20,000 and notification of the matching amount to the Christopher Fund established to provide for the future needs at Mount Angel Seminary. This will help in forming priests with the mind and heart of Jesus Christ for service to his people like all of you.

In a recent letter from the President-Rector about this year's donation, Rev. Msgr. Betschart says "I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize and express our deep appreciation for the

continuing support the Knights have given us over many years through this fund and the fine work in promoting this collection that you and the State Councils and Fourth Degree Assemblies do in order to raise this money."

There are many ways that you all approach raising these funds each year. but the one most important aspect is consistency and a high participation rate of Councils and Assemblies. The Oregon State KofC Charities Inc. has made it easy for you to invite others to join the fund raising efforts of your Council or Assembly through convenience of our website https://www.oregonstatekofccharities.org/support-us.html. Simply click Donate, choose Pennies for Heaven and follow instructions for credit card donation or mailing a personal check with PFH in the Memo line.

I pray for a fruitful year for all my Brother Knights and for the one hundred twenty-three seminarians representing nineteen dioceses and five religious communities in the United States, that you work hard, through the support you receive through Pennies for Heaven and RSVP programs. You are doing a great job. Please let me know if I can provide your Council or Assembly with any information or assistance in this year's fund raising efforts.

May God, bless you all and lead you to holiness.

Vivat Jesus,

Patrick Rausch
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KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

Worthy Grand Knight (and Council Officers),

Your Council is more than three months into the new fraternal year. The school year has started and your Council's activities are in full swing with the new Faith In Action program model. Now is a good time to take a moment and check whether you are fully compliant with the Safe Environment Policies of the Order. Carefully read the information below to ensure your Council is compliant.

Knights of Columbus Policy

The Order expects that the Grand Knight and the Family and/or Community Director be present at all activities sponsored by the Council where minor children are present to ensure that all Safe Environment policies and procedures are followed.

All Knights of Columbus activities where minor children are present require at least **one member who has been trained and background checked. There should never be fewer than two fully trained members in attendance.**

For all the information regarding the Safe Environment program visit <u>kofc.org/safe.</u> **SEPTEMBER 2018 UPDATE: Safe Environment Requirement Summary**

It is important that you read all the information below. If you have further questions please visit <u>kofc.org/safe</u> or the Officers' Desk Reference for more information. You may also contact your State or District leadership for any clarification.

- Effective July 1, 2018, Safe Environment training and background checks are valid for three years. Any member completing the Safe Environment training and/or background check prior to July 1 will only be valid for two years.
- The Grand Knight and program director must complete the three required Safe Environment training modules within 30 days of notification by Praesidium, the Order's strategic partner in safe environments and youth protection.
- Noncompliant Grand Knights will be sent a monthly letter (for as long as they remain noncompliant) that includes their username and password advising that they are past due and that they must complete the three Safe Environment training modules. This is in addition to the three notices that the noncompliant Grand Knights have already been sent at the 1-day, 15-day and 30-day marks.
- Family Directors and Community Directors (and Squires Counselors, if any) must complete the three required Safe Environment training modules and provide consent for a background check **within 30 days** of an email notification.
- Usernames and passwords are unique to each recipient and cannot be forwarded or used by another member. Email notification provides usernames and passwords necessary to complete the required training and in a separate email, the link to provide background check authorization (when applicable).
- Any Director and Counselor who has not completed the required training and background check authorization within **30 days** of notification are subject to removal from their roles. The noncompliant member, Grand Knight or the State Deputy will be notified of removal(s).
- Leaving one or more of the Program, Family or Community Director roles vacant **DOES NOT** exempt the Council from the Safe Environment requirements. The Council **must** list a Program director, Family Director and Community Director who, along with the Council's Grand Knight, are fully compliant with the requirements of the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program **in order to be eligible to receive the Columbian Award and Star Council Award.**

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- Safe Environment training and background checks from other organizations, regardless of source or provider, will NOT be accepted in lieu of the obligation to complete the requirements of the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program.
- The Knights of Columbus Office of Youth Protection, through Praesidium, has sent email notifications to members appointed to the roles shown above. Filing the *Officer Chosen for the Term* (#185) and *Service Program Personnel Report* (#365) forms or through Member Management is the notification of appointment. If you have failed to file these reports a notification has not been sent to the elected or appointed members.
- If members serving in these roles have not receive an email from Praesidium by Sept. 1, it may be either 1) there is no email on file with the Knights of Columbus or 2) the Council has not yet updated/submitted its Forms #185 and #365 (and #468 for Columbian Squires Counselors) to indicate the members' role assignments. Members should not forget to look for email notifications from Praesidium in their inbox or spam folder.
- The Grand Knight may check the compliance status of the Family Director, Community Director, and Program Director (and Squires Counselors, if any) by accessing Praesidium's Armatus Administrative dashboard. District Deputies are strongly encouraged to self-register for and to complete the three online Safe Environment training modules of the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Program by going to kofc.org/safe and clicking on the blue button.

If you have further questions relating to the Knights of Columbus Safe Environment Policy, you may contact the Office of Youth Protection at oyp@kofc.org or 203-752-4558.

Fraternally,

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Oregon State Council

TO: GK, FS, DIRECTORS, CHAIRMEN, SO, PSD, GA, FA and Brothers All

Please take a moment to open Oregon's most current Star Tracker report

May our goals always continue to include Star Council and Star District. These are the absolutely the highest honors attainable for councils and districts.. Growing Oregon will allow us to hand over a healthy Jurisdiction to future generations.

Are your Districts and Councils "On Track"
Has your council held a 1st Degree?
Has your council recruited 25% of your Net Quota? (1st Quarter)
Is your Church Drive scheduled? (Talk to Father)
Has your council conducted at least 3 Programs?

Numbers Snapshot

St Joseph the Worker 13700 (D2) 66.7% of quota/goal Holy Family 16889 (D14) 50% of quota/goal

Councils that have not recruited this year = 61 of 91 councils Our Oregon goal is EVERY Oregon Council Membership Active October is a great month to come alive!



We'd love for you to join the Knights of Columbus, one of the largest Catholic fraternities in the world, with nearly 2 million members and over 15,000 local councils in more than a dozen countries! The Knights of Columbus can help you complete your spiritual toolbox with resources to support you in your faith life, protect your family's financial future, and give you the chance to become a leader in your community.

MEMBER BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- COLUMBIA MAGAZINE members receive a complementary, printed copy of our awardwinning rated magazine, full of news Catholics need to know, mailed to your door
- A LOCAL BROTHERHOOD OF KNIGHTS with over 15,000 councils, you have the opportunity to ioin a local brotherhood of men and make an impact on your parish and community together
- PREMIUM DIGITAL CONTENT enjoy a wide array of e-books, articles, spiritual guides and videos to help you and your family grow in faith
- INSURANCE Knights of Columbus offers top-quality insurance products, including life
 insurance, disability insurance, and long-term care insurance, exclusively to members and their
 families

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Council In Action

(photos by DD Joe Schaecher)

Council 1594 was honored to support Back-to-School Night at Sacred Heart School, Medford, Oregon. Principal Leslie Jones presented a wonderful "Thank You" card signed by many of the students. Both Fr. Ken Sampson and Fr. Mosies Mac were there to provide blessings to all in attendance.

Thanks to the cooks and line (Imm Past GK), Michael Pitts

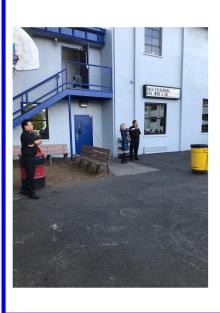
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servers: Roger Boyce (8-time GK), Gary Andazola (DGK). Jim Keeter, Don Hogge

were Cub Scout Pack 1, led by Knight Mark Kantor tainment to the many students and family mem-











Supreme's Family of the Month for July 2018



Supreme's

Family of the Month for August 2018

Kevin Ramsey Council 2325

Michael Patton Council 3484

This month these families received one of the 100 Holy Family gifts that are given out by the Supreme office with a random drawing each month. Any Council who uses the Family of the Month (Form 1993), available online at KofC.ORG under Council Forms and sub-category Program forms, is automatically placed in the random drawing each month at Supreme.

Oregon Councils, listed as participating, in August were: Council 1767 Mt. Angel, Council 2325*Oregon City, Council 3484* Canby, Council 8129 Dallas, Council 9257 Milwauikie and Council 14802 Beaverton

New District Deputy 3 & 4

I want to introduce our District Deputy for District 3. I appreciate Dan Boone "saying yes" to be a District Deputy and joining our State Team. (No photo yet available).

Dan is a Past Grand Knight of Our Lady of the Lake Council 3818 and has served as Council Treasurer for seven years. Both he and his wife Irene are Eucharistic Ministers at their Parish and are volunteer chaplains at Meridian Park Hospital.

Welcome Daniel and Irene: my wife Tay and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Francis, State Deputy -- Oregon "Come Holy Spirit"

Next, I wish to introduce to you, appointed as new District Deputy04 Sean Fornelli of Council 9263 -- Queen of Peace Council in Salem. Sean moved to Salem, Oregon about 7 years ago from California, where he had served Council positions previously. Sean is an Assistant with the Oregon Department of Agriculture in Salem.



I encourage you to reach out to him and let him know of your usual business and/or Officer meetings, or any events you may have scheduled in the next few months, especially first Degree Installations. His phone number is: 209-996-8254. e-mail: sfornelli@gmail.com

Fraternally yours,

Francis Mohr, State Deputy,
"Come Holy Spirit"

Contact your county Special Olympics Local Program Coordinators for volunteer opportunities and fundraising support. Current as of spring 2018.

Baker County: Local Program Coordinator Paula Moe (541)910-0591 P.O. Box 508 Baker City, OR 97814

Benton County: Local Program Coordinator Laurie Eck (971) 301-0799 P.O. Box 125 Corvallis, OR 97339

Clackamas County: (503)675-3550 P.O. Box 592 Gladstone, OR 97027

Clatsop County: Local Program Coordinator Steven McAloney (503) 298-0633 5901 SW Macadam Ave, Suite200 Portland, OR 97239

Columbia County: Local Program Coordinators Heather Viereck Samantha Mollenhour (503)366.0509 P.O. Box 113 Scappoose, OR 97056 Cottage Grove/Creswell: Local Program Coordinator Becky Venice b_bvenice@msn.com

Curry County: Local Program Coordinator Terri Hagen

Douglas County: Local Program Coordinator Frank Rambaum (541)677-9687 P.O. Box 541 Roseburg, OR 97470

Eugene/Springfield: Local Program Coordinators Kristi Barker Ted Barker (541)431-3245 P.O. Box 35 Springfield, OR 97477

Grant County: Local Program Coordinators Deronda Lallatin Kathy Gill (541) 620-4295 311 SE Hillerest Dr John Day, OR 97845 Harney County: Local Program Coordinator Carol Sawyer (541) 573-6886

Hermiston-Pendleton County: (541) 3140166 Hermiston/Pendleton, OR

High Desert (Deschutes/Crook Counties): Local Program Coordinator Jill Simmons (541)749-6517 P.O. Box 6772 Bend, OR 97708

Hood River: Local Program Coordinator Terry Cannon, LPC (541) 436-2882

Jackson County: Local Program Coordinators Marie Cabler April Harrison (541)779-7120 PO Box 4397

Medford, OR 97501

Jefferson County: Local Program Coordinator Ellen Courtney (541) 325-1179 276 SE D Street Madras. OR 97741

Josephine County: Local Program Coordinator Pamela Boston 541-295-3248 P.O. Box 1287 Grants Pass, OR 97528 Linn County: Local Program Coordinators Charlotte Wiebe 541-905-3717 Veronica Copple 541-570-7600 P.O. Box 53 Lebanon, OR 97355

Marion County: Local Program Coordinator Jenny LeBelle 503-362-8408 Voice Mail PO Box 3579 Salem, OR 97302

Milton-Freewater/Athena-Weston: Local Program Coordinators Gary Swiger Lorri Swiger 541.861.0730 128 S Elizabeth St. Milton-Freewater, OR 97862

Multnomah County: Local Program Coordinator Kay Holzweissig Voicemail: (503) 721-4357 P.O. Box 14519 Portland, OR 97293

Klamath County: Local Program Coordinators Kellie Weitman Darcie Turner (541)850-5257 P.O. Box 221 Klamath Falls, OR 97601

Polk County:

Coos Bay, OR

Local Program Coordinator Gary Kluver 771)388-6431 PO Box 564 Monmouth, OR 97361

South Coast (Coos County): Local Program Coordinator Lisa Noblitt 541-266-8807

Tillamook County: Local Program Coordinator DeWanna Zeller P.O. Box 227 Rockaway, OR 97136

Union County: Local Program Coordinators Doug Trice Pam Thompson (541)-962-7536 802 Crook Street

Wasco/Sherman: Local Program Coordinator Brenda Baska 541-980-0063 P.O. Box 462 The Dalles, OR 97058

La Grande, OR 97850

Washington County: 503-641-1433 PO BOX 1235 Wilsonville, OR 97070

Yamhill County: Local Program Coordinators Nancy Keim Jill Olson

Medical Mgr: Andrea Murray Volunteer Mgr:Bill Murray Sports Mgr: Laurie Painter

(503)434-2109 P.O. Box 1203 McMinnville, OR 97128

Lincoln County: Local Program Coordinator Nikki Holland 541-283-4088

541-283-4088 P.O. Box 504 Toledo, OR 97391





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Knights, please write to your representative in your County for their support.

Jesse Villarreal District Master

Fourth Degree Patriots of the Knights of Columbus

Worthy Sir Knights and Brothers in Christ. This month I would like to share part of my personal experience from the last two Fourth Degree exemplifications we had during September. On September 15th, Klamath Falls Assembly 0901, hosted the event which was very special to their Council and Assembly as well. Earlier in the



year they had been recognized by an event that Knights of Columbus District Deputy Ipo Ross and his helpers had organized in Klamath Falls that drew attention from across the nation. It was very special for the entire community.

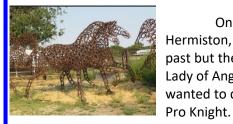
Apparently the event stirred so much attention that some of their Council and Assembly members who had been inactive started to participate and become involved once again.

To me, Klamath Falls was way out of the way and quite a distance from where we live as I'm sure we are to them from where they live. At any rate, this year the State Officers decided to use "K. Falls" for the 2018 Summer Training session.... in June 29-July 1st. I was not that excited to go but I always manage to learn something new from these type of sessions so my wife and I went ahead and attended.

To my pleasant surprise, I found the K-Falls Council/Assembly to be very active and very good hosts. They have two big Catholic churches, in Klamath Falls, St. Pius X and Sacred Heart. I witnessed a large number of Knights working in the parish kitchen preparing all types of food. Coffee and cookies were never lacking. Fruits and all kinds of pies were always available.

Most impressive was the large number of Sir Knights in regalia for Saturday evening Mass at St. Pius X. In Klamath Falls? Yes, in K-Falls. They are very active in their own, what seems to me, to be a faraway place. They were even talking about having a Fourth Degree exemplification?

I have, since the summer meeting, prepared and mailed a list of dates to all Assemblies in the state with options to having an exemplification. Klamath Falls was the first to answer with a confirmed date. They didn't start to gather candidates so they could have an exemplification.....they set the date for the exemplification and waited for the candidates to come!!!!! On September 15th we had candidates from four different Assemblies, six different locations who came to celebrate and were knighted as Sir Knights in the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus. Thanks District Deputy Ipo Ross, thank you Klamath Falls.



On September 29th, I was blessed with a very similar experience, this time in Hermiston, Oregon. This is another one of those communities that had been active in the past but their numbers in the local Council were not increasing. Their local parish, Our Lady of Angels, is very nice and their priest Father Maxwell had wanted to do something for the Knights of Columbus. He is very

A couple or three years ago, Mark Gomolski, "an angel" from back east, I believe Chicago, had moved to Hermiston and began to stir things up in a nice way! A member of the Knights of Columbus already, he saw the opportunity to get the whole community involved. With a background of being a chef, Mark Gomolski, started to prepare different kinds of food at the church for the community. He saw a way to get people involved by allowing them to help.

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I had worked with their priest Father Maxwell in the past trying to get their Hispanic community involved with the Knights of Columbus. One day while on a trip from the Tri-City area in Washington, I stopped by to check things out at Our Lady of the Angels in Hermiston. I met with now Grand Knight Mark Gomolski and he wanted to know what he could do to have a Fourth Degree exemplification in Hermiston.

In the past, Mark said their members either went to Pendleton or Richland, Washington for their Fourth Degree ceremonies. Mark wanted to know if they could have one of their own. Mark was willing to get people involved and do the entire list of things I mentioned: the parish hall, the set-up, who would provide the banquet meal, the date, mail letters to potential candidates, Father's permission? He was saying Yes, and Yes to everything I threw at him. No question, this Brother Knight was ready to take on the whole program by himself. Talk about "Faith in Action".

Mark even set up the Ladies Activity Program for the ladies who came with their husbands who attended the Fourth Degree ceremony. Patti told me later it was the best time she ever had at their Wine Tasting event. No doubt Our Lady of Angels is working in Hermiston, Oregon.

Thank You Mark, Thank You Father Maxwell, and all your helpers, Thank You Hermiston.

I invite and say to all the Third Degree members reading this article, "What are you waiting for"

become a Sir Knight at the next exemplification in Tualatin on October 27th.

Jesse C. Villarreal District Master

141,200 Signatures delivered!

Ron (Boyce),

Today chief petitioners Marylin Shannon, Suzanne Belatti, and I delivered the last box of signatures for IP-1 to the elections office in Salem.

The 2018 petition drive to stop taxpayer-funded abortion in Oregon is now completed.

Over the past 14 months **10,650 volunteer petition circulators** gathered more than 150,000 signatures from all 36 counties. After removing duplicates and other mistakes we were able to submit a total of 141,200 signatures.

Elections officials will now begin the verification process which can take up to 30 days to complete. After they confirm we have submitted at least 117,578 valid signatures we'll receive a ballot measure number and an opportunity to vote YES in November.

To everyone who has helped to gather signatures, or made a financial contribution, or worked behind the scenes, or given words of encouragement, or prayed ... I want to thank you for being part of this movement with me. It's been a joy to serve in this mission with you.

I will of course keep you posted on what's next. Please continue to keep this effort in prayer. For now, let's celebrate our accomplishment together.

For life and liberty,
Jeff Jimerson
Director, Oregon Life United



Mike Kondrat Chairman Habitat For Humanity

Knights at Habitat

This month the Westside Habitat group held a block party for the new home owners in our Allan subdivision. It was a gathering of families from all over the world who are now proud new home owners. Everyone enjoyed the delicious food from various regions in Asia, South America and Europe. These homes were built over the last 4 years by members of our community including our Council and District members. What struck me about this event was seeing all the children having a great time playing safely in this neighborhood and having a wonderful time together. What a

great way to see the results of Faith In Action.

These lucky few now can spend the cold winter in very nice, safe and healthy homes and enjoy each other and their new neighbors.

As we approach the new year and develop our goals, think about how your Council can participate in the Habitat program in your local area. They have many options for involvement from banging a hammer to volunteering at the ReStore or office to simple fund raising. All worthy ways to support Faith In Action.

Mike Kondrat 503-819-2775 mike@kondrats.com

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- 10. The Knights of Columbus help to ensure that the dreams a father has for his children can come true even if he's not here to see to it and provide it himself.



Ray Prom Church Director

The Strong Right Arm

Pope John Paul II once referred to the Knights of Columbus as "the strong right arm of the Catholic Church". He was referring to all the good works the Knights assisted in, specifically at the international level. That was a wonderful compliment, and all Brother Knights should be proud of the Order. But now, with the "Building the Domestic Church" and the "Faith in Action" programs, we need to be concentrating on making the Knights of Columbus Council "the strong right arm of the parish". What I

mean is that we should make sure that when our parish priest needs something, that he can turn to the Knights of Columbus for help.

In many, many parishes throughout the US, when a parish priest needs help cleaning up the church grounds, or setting up chairs for an event, or collecting funds for building maintenance, he knows he can count on the Knights of Columbus for help. But now, in the spirit of the new "Faith in Action" programs, we as Knights need to be able to step up and help our priests with other actions. When he needs someone to lead a Rosary before Mass, when he needs catechists for the RCIA program or 1st Communion, or when he needs lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, we need to be the ones he turns to.

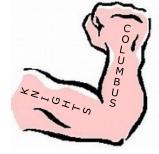
But how do we do that? First, we need to talk to our pastors, sincerely and honestly, and ask what his needs are, and how we can help. Then we need to listen. And maybe, we need to put aside for the time being one of the things we have always done, and find the means to help our priests accomplish their goals for the parish. This may mean that we must rethink what we as Knights can do. Many of us feel we can help if the work requires a strong back, or writing a check, but the need may be to help youth understand their faith, or to help a person who wishes to enter into the Catholic church. In every Council, there are qualified men who can do that also, we just need to step up to these new responsibilities. Some of this will require preparation on our parts, both in our hearts and in our minds. Eucharistic adoration, penance service, and faith formation programs will be a big help in getting us prepared to share our love for Christ.

For several decades now, too many of us have shirked our responsibilities in sustaining our Catholic faith in our families, and in our parishes, and both are suffering. Now is the time to turn it around, to step into the breach.

Now is the time to continue being the strong right arm, but also to be the helping hand of your local parish.

Vivat Jesus!

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Culture of Life

Patrick and Teresita Parson Life Couple - Oregon Knights of Columbus

Measure 106 - Stop The Funding - In case you haven't already heard me say this, vote "YES" on Measure 106. The elections will be over in less than a month, so we need to continue promoting passage of Measure 106, which will stop our tax dollars from funding elective and late-term abortions. No one should be forced to pay for someone's choice to end the life of an unborn baby.

During the last fiscal year \$1.92 million of state taxpayer money was used for 3,593 abortions in Oregon. There were a total of 46,092 births in Oregon in 2015. We Oregonians are currently paying to destroy over 7.5% of our children. It is time to stop!

Please be sure to do what you can to deliver the message of life to as many people as you can. There is still time to put up a yard sign, to discuss the measure with people you meet, and pray for passage of the Measure. Turn your ballots in by November 6, and remember to vote "YES" for Measure 106.

- 40 Days For Life September 26 through November 4 This prayer vigil effort is going full swing. Oregon campaigns are in Eugene, Portland, Salem, and St. Helens. Knights from different Councils are joining other concerned champions of life by praying in front of abortion facilities. Your State Life Couple is praying weekly for one hour in front of the Salem Planned Parenthood. You can find more information on the campaign at https://40daysforlife.com
- Rosary Bowl NW 2018 We attended the Rosary Bowl in Salem on October 6. The goals of the Rosary Bowl are to enhance the prayer lives of our families, ourselves and our communities, strengthen unity in our homes and communities, and to foster world peace. A culture of life is not achievable without peace.

Kudos to St. Edward Council 10594 of Keizer, who worked a table at the Rosary Bowl. Thanks to them, the Knights of Columbus were a visible presence as they distributed information about both the Knights and also voting YES on Measure 106.

Cultura de la Vída

Patrick y Teresita Parson, Pareja de la Vida, de los Caballeros de Colon de Oregon

• Medida 106- Alto a los Fondos - En caso de que no hayas oído que te dije, vota "SI" en la medida 106. Las elecciones terminarán en menos de un mes, así que necesitamos continuar promoviendo que pase la Medida 106, la cual parara nuestros dólares en los impuestos que pagan abortos, y largo-estado de gestación de abortos. Nadie debería de ser forzado a pagar para escoger el terminar una vida de un bebe no-nacido.

Durante el último ano fiscal, \$1.92 millones del dinero de los impuestos fueron usados para hacer 3,593 abortos en Oregon. Así que fueron un total de 46,092 nacimientos en Oregon durante 2015. Nosotros los de Oregon estamos obligados a pagar para destruir más del 7.5% de nuestros niños! Es tiempo de Parar!

Por favor hagan lo que puedan para enviar el mensaje de vida a la mayor parte de personas que puedan. Aún es tiempo de poner un anuncio al frente de tu casa, y discutir la medida con las personas que conozcas. Manda tus votos el 6 de Noviembre, y recuerda votar "SI" por La Medida 106.

- 40 Días por la Vida- Septiembre 26 al 4 de Noviembre Estos días de esfuerzo en la vigilia de oración, están en pleno funcionamiento. Las Campanas de Oregon están en Eugene, Portland, Salem, y St Helens. Los Caballeros de Colon de diferentes consejos están uniéndose con algunos otros campeones de la vida orando enfrente de las instalaciones abortivas. Su pareja estatal de la vida están orando semanalmente por una hora enfrente de las instalaciones abortivas de Salem en Planned Parenthood. Pueden encontrar mayores informes de esta campaña en: https://40daysforlife.com
- Bowl NW 2018 del Rosario Atendimos el rosario del Bowl el 6 de Octubre en Salem. Los éxitos de Bowl rosario son; mejorar la vida de oración en nuestras familias, porque nosotros y nuestras familias, y comunidades se fortalecen en unidad, en nuestras casas y comunidades para fomentar la paz del mundo. Una cultura de la vida no puede ser sin Paz. Kudos a St Edward Consejo 10594 de Keizer, que trabajaron en la mesa del Bowl del rosario. Les agradecemos, así los Caballeros de Colon tuvieron una presencia visible al distribuir información de ambos, de los Caballeros, y de votar SI en la Medida 106.

Cultura de la Vída

- Medida 106- Alto a los Fondos -
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- Novedades de Ultrasonido -



Kent Purdy

Community Director

KofC Wheelchair Initiative In Oregon Still Needs All Our Help!

Community Director Report



Wheelchair Mission.



We have been working on this project, statewide, to raise the funds to order a shipping at least one container of 100 wheelchairs and distribute them to the needy and/or to donate to our parishes for their use. We have found "homes" for about half the wheelchairs and have raised about half the required funds.

Our State Deputy, Francis Mohr, has really pushed for this program in our State, for a couple of reasons. First, it has not been done in Oregon before. Secondly, it is a highly visible program, and if we can pull it off, it would be great PR for the Knights in our State. When the wheelchairs are given to the needy, or when they are donated to parishes, it is great publicity for the Knights.

Remember, EACH wheelchair has a very visible patch on the back of the seat that says it was donated by the Knights of Columbus!

Since we have been stalled at about half the required funds to get these chairs ordered, I am asking each Grand Knight of our State to please help us get the rest of the way.

Please bring this need up at your next Council business meeting. Please consider donating some of your Council funds to help us raise the rest of the \$15,000. If you've already helped, please consider an additional donation. Also, remember that donations to the Wheelchair Fund is tax-deductible, since it is through the Oregon KofC Charities. Any donations made by your Councils, individual members, family members, or fellow parishioners, are deductible on income taxes.

Some may ask, "since you've only found "homes" for half the chairs, why don't we find a need for the rest before we raise the funds".

Dan Moberg, of the American Wheelchair Mission, addresses that question in a recent communication... "You may find this confusing, but the LAST thing to consider is where the wheelchairs will go. More importantly is to "sell" the program to your membership by making them understand how important it is that we consider this life changing opportunity to help those in need wherever they may be. Ours is an international program and we do not take race, religion, ethnicity or politics into consideration, we only care that they are immobile and need our help. As we hear from Matthew: "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Remember, Jesus was not only talking about the least of His brothers and sisters in his own neighborhood."

So, Brother Knights, let us consider the good that these wheelchairs can do... the gift of mobility that can be given to those in need. Please help us reach this goal!

Checks should be made out to "Oregon KofC Charities, and mailed to: Ron Boyce, State Secretary, PO Box 23093, Tigard, OR 97281

Thank you, Brother Knights! Vivat Jesus!

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Food for Families





Those who hunger only ask that you "Walk a mile in my shoes". If you do, you will come to fully understand the needs of those who hunger.

The Catholic Church with the help of the Knights of Columbus has done an outstanding job in providing food to the poor and hungry. We are not alone in providing food to the hungry. Other organizations have developed additional understandings and solutions to the need to feed the hungry.

We are not in competition with others. Uniting with other providers to feed the hungry can only make feeding the hungry more efficient.

I encourage you to go to the following WEB page: www.togetheromaha.org Once on the home page at the top click on "For Congregations". Next click on the file "Walk a mile in my shoes".

Together is an organization Collaborating To End Homelessness.

Remember: Collectively we can more efficiently solve the need to provide food to the poor and hungry.

May your Council and/or Assembly see the light and commit to feed the hungry.

Vivat Jesus,



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Supreme Chaplain Lori Monthly Challenge—October 2018

[The blind man] threw aside his cloak, sprang up and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." (Gospel for Oct. 28, Mk. 10:50-52).

Most of us can probably recall requesting a meeting with someone influential, and then reaching a point in that meeting where he or she looked us in the eyes and asked, "So, what can I do for you?" We most likely prepared for this moment, and we clearly stated our need or wish. Brothers, can we imagine the Son of God speaking our own name and asking, "What do you want me to do for you?" It seems extraordinary. Even unbelievable! And yet, this is exactly what Jesus invites us to do *every day* in prayer, reading and reflecting on Scripture, speaking to him about what is in our hearts. That's a meeting you and I would not want to miss.

When having a discussions with people this month (especially your family members), give them your undivided attention and do not look at your cell phones during the conversations. Secondly I challenge you to honestly attempt to answer Jesus' question to you, "What do you want me to do for you?"

Please lead your Councils in October to participating and responding to our Supreme Chaplains monthly challenge. Come Holy Spirit. We thank you for guiding our lives and pray that we may have the courage exemplified by Venerable Fr. McGivney to live our faith to the fullest through our Council, our families and in society. May our words today give glory to your Sacred Heart and if we struggled this past month in living our faith, help us to never stop turning to you and always try again. Amen

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

SICK AND DISTRESSED

JoAnn Vennes

Wife of Past Vocations Chairman Dr. George Vennes Council 12656 Portland

Nicholas Guenther

Council 3591 Tigard

Bill Synder and his wife, Gini

No Council nor location given

We request you also pray for all Knights, their families and friends and all of our Police, Firefighters, Servicemen and Servicewomen, as well as those who have lost so much in the recent hurricanes, tornadoes and wildfires and those whose lives have been disrupted with other calamities of either man made or any natural events. This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!

Please direct your prayer requests to:
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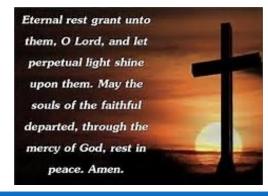
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Let us keep in mind and prayers all those Brother Knights and/or members of Knights' families who have gone before us.









Please always remember our Veterans and those members of the Armed Services who risk their lives in the service of our communities, states and throughout the world, as Firefighters, Police, Ambulance, Chaplains, Nurses, Doctors, Care Givers and those who minister to the needs of others— please take time out to say:

"Thank You So Very Much" for all that they do for all of us!



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