



March 24	1,2 <sup>nd</sup> 3rd Degrees-East Helena
May 3- 6	State Convention- Missoula

# Knights' Visions

## Montana State Council

### February 2018

Ron Kazmierczak, State Deputy

Allen Cormany, State Secretary

#### From the State Deputy

We are half way through our Fraternal Year!

Supreme has made a couple of new appointments that affect us. Mark McMullen has been appointed as the head of Fraternal Mission. Mark is responsible for leading the orders program and recruitment efforts.

Robert Kish has been appointed as the new MPC-Membership Program Consultant for Montana. Bob comes from Oregon and is familiar with Montana's extensive area. We look forward to working with Bob.

Patrick Maloney, our former MPC has been a great help to make the Montana Knights of Columbus great. Thank you Patrick!

Brother Knights, together let us finish this Fraternal Year with a new enthusiasm. Lent is a good time to re-charge our motors through prayer fasting, meditation and SIGNING UP NEW MEMBERS. - **Ron Kazmierczak, State Deputy**

#### From the State Secretary

Congratulations to Council 3039, Council 1413, Council 1644, Council 2613 and Council 10576 for being the first five councils that submitted their Per Capita less than one week after the notice. Currently 31 of the 53 councils have responded.

And, Congratulations to Council 3250 for submitting the first Green Sheet report. Thank You.

Per Capita is due March 2ND. And Green Sheets are due in April.-**Allen Cormany-State Secretary**

#### Membership Program Consultant



Brother Knights of  
Montana,

I would like to take this opportunity of introducing myself as the new "Membership and Program Consultant" for Montana. I just recently made this career change to work for our Order after a 38-year successful mechanical engineering career. I didn't retire (*too young for that*), I made a career and a life change. I felt the call to do something more meaningful in my life. I wanted to do something that I enjoyed and something that made a difference in other people's lives.

Well Brothers, this call, this desire to do something different, came to fruition back in August when I received a call from Jose Jimenez from the Supreme Office. Supreme offered me a job as a new "Membership and Program Consultant". After several phone interviews and a lengthy 3 hours interview back in New Haven, Susie (*my Wife*) and I decided that this just might be the calling I was searching for. Late November I accepted the offer and now an Employee for the Knights of Columbus, Fraternal Mission Department, January 2, 2018.

Susie and I were both born and raised in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and we married October 9<sup>th</sup>, 1982. I guess you could say we have always been risk takers because in July 1989 we pulled up roots and moved to Oregon. Only a 3,000 miles trek west! Our two children were less than 2 years old at that time but now grown and still live in

Oregon where we get to visit then often. No grandchildren to brag about yet, but we keep praying for them.

I joined the Knights of Columbus in Corvallis, Oregon. Having held several Council 1785 Officer Positions, including a Star Council Grand Knight. I came up the State ranks, first as the State Special Olympics Chairman for many years, District Deputy, State Warden, State Advocate, State Treasurer, State Secretary, 2014-2016 State Deputy and currently the Oregon State Charities President. While I was State Deputy, Oregon set new member intake records, started 4 new Councils, met roundtable goals 2 years straight, "Circle of Honor" (2014-2015) and for the first time ever for the State of Oregon, the prestigious "Pinnacle Award" (2015-2016).

Brothers, I am honored and excited that Montana is one of my Jurisdictions. Even though I live in Oregon and helping Oregon to succeed, I have 6 other jurisdictions to fill the remainder of my calendar. My jurisdictions include; Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, South Dakota, Missouri, and Hawaii. Yes Brothers, I will be busy and I look forward to working with all of you and helping Montana to succeed as well.

I would be remiss not to mention and give a big Thank You to your former MPC Patrick Maloney for all his hard work in Montana. Pat was also my MPC while I was State Deputy of Oregon. Pat has become a good friend and my mentor during this career transition.

I ask that you keep me in your prayers for traveling mercies and for a lengthy and successful career as your MPC.

I'm looking forward to meeting many of you when I'm traveling around Montana. **Robert Kish, Membership Program Consultant Fraternal Mission, Supreme Council - Knights of Columbus**

### **From the State Warden**

The 2018 Montana State Knights of Columbus Convention is scheduled for May 3-6<sup>th</sup> in Missoula. Council 1021 and Council 13022 are Convention hosts.

The Convention activities will take place at Saint Anthony's Church and Complex-217 Tremont Street. Registration will begin Thursday afternoon at Saint Anthony's Parish Complex from 2-6 p.m. Registration will continue at the K of C Hall, 312 E. Pine Street from 7-9.

Meetings will be held at Saint Anthony's. Two hotels are offering Convention rates. The Hilton Garden, 3720 N. Reserve, 406-532-5300 and Courtyard by Marriott, 4559 N Reserve 406-549-5260 offer \$99 room rates.

The banquet and meal details will be available soon. Reservations must make reservations by April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Rooms will not be held after that date. **-Dan Norman-State Warden.**

### **From the Training Coordinator**

#### **Knights of Columbus Fraternal Officer Training**

Financial Secretary Training Seminars will take place as planned in Missoula on March 3 and Lewistown March 17. State Treasurer and FS Trainer Dan Halsten will be presenting. Please let the DD's know to contact their FS's and have them RSVP by February 25. **-Steve Zachmann-State Training Coordinator**

**COUNCILS NOT SUBMITTING  
ANNUAL SURVEY OF  
FRATERNAL ACTIVITY F1728**

Here's a listing of the councils that have not submitted the Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity (FORM 1728) - originally due on January 31.

There are still a fair number of forms that need to be submitted for your jurisdiction. I encourage the submittal through email to save postage and time for mailing. These forms are now **past due** and it is imperative that all councils complete this form and submit it to the Fraternal Mission Department promptly. District Deputies should be contacting all of the councils on this list and working with them to comply with this request.

This form is a requirement in order for a council to qualify for **Star Council Award** and any incentives offered for achieving the award.

There may be forms that have been submitted to the State Office but not to Supreme, please use this list to compare and forward any forms that are on this list to my attention. Forms can be submitted by mail, email, or fax using the contact information provided below.

The goal is to obtain 100% submission from all councils. By working together, we can achieve this goal.

00668	01274	01518	01644
01959	02124	02360	02464
02613	02997	03250	03911
04069	04272	05189	05527
06130	07630	07726	07782
14060	16228		

22 Councils have not reported .-**Jack Leibowitz**  
**Office Staff Supervisor Knights of Columbus**  
**Knights of Columbus**

**From the Family Program Chair**

It's that time of year for your council to be discerning who should represent them as **Knight**

**of the Year and Family of the Year.** Rather than thinking "Whose turn is it this year?" be considering who it is that represents the ideals who all strive to achieve ourselves. Look at the Brother Knights around you and seek out the good in each one and call it out. Look at those Knights whose families enjoy being together, who you see at Mass, or volunteering together, or bringing out the good in each other and the people around them. Honor those Knights and their families, and submit their nominations for consideration as Montana's Knight and Family of the Year. We men have a special and unique role in our families and parish communities. This Lent take the opportunity to strengthen your role as husband, father, grandfather, or mentor by studying "**Into the Breach**," an Apostolic Exhortation of Bishop Olmsted of Phoenix. The Knights of Columbus has put out a wonderful 8-week study guide that you can do alone or more ideally in your parish. Invite all men in your parish to read, discuss, and pray through this call to action. Order it online at <http://www.knightsgear.com/into-the-breach-cis340> . You will find that through this study you can be a better spiritual leader in your parish, council, community, and especially your own home. Step into the breach!-**Zane Fulbright**  
**Family Program Director**

**From the Program Chair**

It's time to send **program reports!** All program reports need to be turned in by April 1<sup>st</sup>. Several Councils have been turning in reports all year. Thank you to those Councils! All forms are available on the state website-montanaknights.org.

Knight of the Year and Family of the year nominations are also due April 1st. I encourage every Council to nominate a Knight and Family of the Year. Nomination forms are also available on the website. We would like 100% participation this year. **BECOME A STAR COUNCIL.**

Send program reports to Marty Beatty, Program Chair, 100 South Davis Street, Helena, MT 59601. My phone number is 406-442-9804.**Marty Beatty, State Program Director**

## From the Membership Co-Chairs

# The Key to a Council's perpetuity is recruiting new members

The Knights of Columbus are “key” to many things:

Key to being better husbands-Key to being better Catholics

Knights are key to helping pastors and parishes.

## **YOU SHOULD JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TODAY!**

Join the Knights between now and April 30th and each new Knight and his proposer will receive a church key and a key ring key. An “old style” and a “new style” representing the old and the new. A tool for the seasoned Knights to share with new Knights.

The Supreme Knight announced a lottery incentive for 10 couples to attend the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland with all expenses paid.

Every time a Knight recruits a new member into the Order through June 30, 2018, his name will go into a drawing. On July 1, 2018, a total of 10 names will be drawn at random.

For more information, contact **Co-membership chairs Marty Beatty 406-442-9804 or Pat Perrella at 406-860-1623.**

**Montana church keys will be awarded at the State Convention in May.**

## From the State Seminarian Support Coordinator

Great News for Seminarians in Montana. To date 32 Montana Councils and 4 Assemblies support 11 Seminarians in Montana. 61% of Montana Councils and 30% of the Assemblies have donated \$25,741 to date. If your Council supports a

Seminarian, be sure to let me know how much you send and how often you send checks.

If you have any questions, please contact me. My contact information is: Sam Prestipino, 2243 Gold Rush Ave, Helena, MT 59601-5819, 406-431-0574. My email address is: [samar@mt.net](mailto:samar@mt.net)- Sam Prestipino

## What's happening around the State? Bozeman/Belgrade

### *Right to Life March*





**Knights Visions Material**  
The Knight's Visions is electronically posted by the Montana State Council of the Knights of Columbus. If you have information you would like published in the newsletter, submit information to Marty Beatty at [mnmbt@attglobal.net](mailto:mnmbt@attglobal.net) by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Articles about what's happening in your Council and pictures in jpg format are always welcome.

*Tootsie Roll Drive Check Presented by Rick Pearrow*



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**ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL  
PER MONTH.**

**Become a Star Council!**