

Jan 4-6	State Council Winter Meeting in Belgrade
Jan 26	Regional Training-Livingston

Knights' Visions

Montana State Council

December 2018

Allen Cormany, State Deputy

Dan Halsten, State Secretary

From the State Deputy

Happy autumn!

WANTED DISTRICT DEPUTYS: Are you a brother knight who is enthusiastic about the Montana Knights of Columbus and their programs? Then we have a position for you. Help the State Council conduct business at the council level. Travel is required. Ongoing training needed. Paper work is involved. Attendance at meetings is necessary. Expenses are paid by Supreme. If interested contact the State Deputy at 406-449-7476. We need new District Deputy's in District 4 (Livingston, Bozeman & Belgrade), District 10 (Miles City, Glendive, Baker, Sidney & Wibaux), and District 11 (Kalispell, Columbia Falls, Whitefish & Bigfork).

The new Icons are her and prayer books have arrived from Supreme. I will deliver them to District 2, Missoula and District 1, Polson. Please arrange a visit with your priest to display the Icon in your parish. This is a great way to express our Faith in Action in our parishes.

I know most of us don't like to do paperwork. When I was employed at the city, paperwork was a major part of my job. Many of you hold offices that require paperwork. This is a reminder to complete your council's/district Form 185, Form 365, Semi Annual audits, Financial Secretary evaluations, DD expense reports, Round Table reports, Tootsie Roll Campaign reports and soon, Green Sheets and Per Capita. And, when you conduct a First Degree, complete the paperwork for Supreme quickly.

Speaking of Tootsie Rolls, we will again have cases of Tootsie Rolls available for councils at the 2019 State Convention in Great Falls. The new

reporting form is now on the state's website. And speaking of our website, it is under construction. I have a crew of brothers overhauling the site and we will have a progress report at the Mid-year meeting in January and again at the State Convention.

We have a lot of brother knights in need of prayer. Not only in areas of natural disaster around our country, but our state as well. Many brothers are having employment problems, family related issues and health concerns. Please keep them in your prayers.

I wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving. May God's abundant blessings fill our hearts and homes with a rich harvest of grateful praise.— **Allen Cormany, State Deputy**

Co-membership Chairs

**Become
A KNIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS**



Every member of the Knights of Columbus in Montana is asked to give a friend, relative, co-worker, etc. that's not a member of the Knights the opportunity to join the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus changes lives and saves lives! Give other Catholic gentlemen the opportunity to participate in the charitable programs of the Knights of Columbus by joining the Knights of Columbus today!

New members that join the Knights before Christmas and their proposers will receive a special Montana Knights of Columbus ornament to hang on their tree. New members can join online at www.kofc.org/join or new members can join using the conventional Form 100. The program runs from November 15th 2018 to January 1st 2019. To get your ornament before Christmas, recruit a new member today.



Send a copy of the Form100 or the online name and address of the new Knight and his proposer to the Montana State Membership chairmen-Marty Beatty (406) 442-9804 or Pat Perrella at (406) 860-1623. We'll send your ornament!

<http://kofc.org/un/newjoin/en/index.html>

Faith in Action Program Module

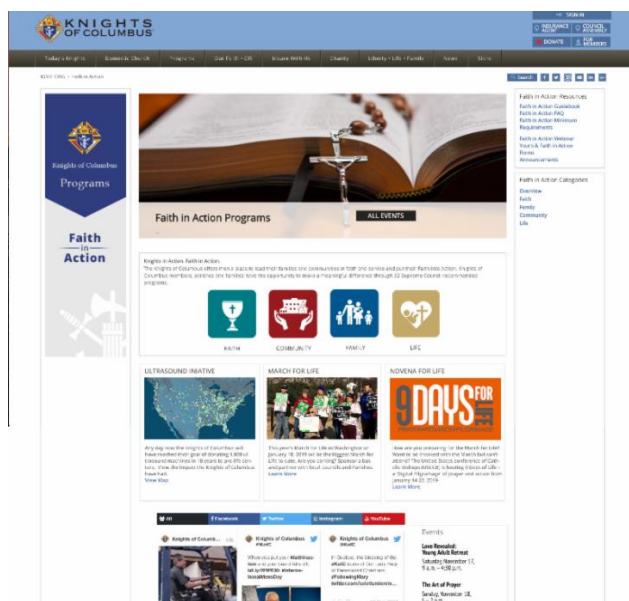
Faith in Action Chairs

Experienced Knights will lead the state in implementing the new module Faith chair is **Tom Weber**, Community is **Andy Mikes**, Family is **Zane Fulbright** and Dan Wing is **Life**. Listed in the chart are the recommended programs. Councils can still work on programs they have done in the past. The new module balances our key priorities with theirs – Faith, Family, Community and Life.



Coming Soon! New Faith in Action Program Page

Fraternal Mission is pleased to announce the upcoming release of the redesigned Faith in Action Programs web page. On this page, you will find up-to-date information about all Faith in Action programs, general announcements, and form updates. Stay tuned for the link as we launch in January!



New Forms!

- [Annual Survey of Fraternal Activity form \(#1728\)](#) is due January 31. Be sure to review the new form.
- [Special Olympics Partnership Profile Report form \(#4584\)](#) is due January 31.
- Be sure to review all of our new forms on the announcements page. View all new forms by clicking [here](#).
- Online submission forms will be available on January 1.

ANNUAL SURVEY OF FRATERNAL ACTIVITY			
JANUARY 1, 20__ THRU DECEMBER 31, 20__			
COUNCIL NUMBER _____		JURISDICTION _____	
Section I. Fraternal Program Activities		Section II. Fraternal Commitment Activities	
FAITH ACTIVITIES (Check one)	CHURCHES OR SACRISTIES	ROLES OR SERVICES	MEETINGS
a. RSVP Program			1. Regular
b. Church Facilities			2. Social
c. Catholic Schools/Seminaries			3. Special/Committee
d. Religious/Vocational Education			TOTAL MEETINGS
e. Priest & Study Programs			
f. Sacramental Gifts			
g. Miscellaneous Faith Activities			
TOTAL FAITH CONTRIBUTIONS			
FAMILY ACTIVITIES (Check one)			PROGRAM EXPENSES
a. Food for Families			1. Printing or Postage
b. Family Formation Program			2. Food & Refreshments
c. Family Care in Christmas			3. Prizes
d. Family Week			4. Donations
e. Family Prayer Night			5. Entertainment
			6. Miscellaneous Expenses
			TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES

Come together as a family this Advent to rediscover the Holy Family as you **prepare** for the **Consecration to the Holy Family** on Dec. 30th. Entrust your family to the patronage of the Holy Family this Christmas Season.



RSVP this Advent and Christmas

With Advent and Christmas seasons around the corner, seminarians and/or religious in formation are coming home for the holidays. This would be a great time to show your council's support for them and their discernment.

If your council is not currently participating in the RSVP program, consider this program for the spring. Visit the [RSVP page](#) for additional resources to **advertise** and increase RSVP participation and support. Don't forget to revisit the [guidelines for RSVP](#) for giving and refund qualifications and amounts.



Rediscover the Holy Family

Each year we have another opportunity to remind ourselves and others what Christmas is all about. This year share with others how you are **Keeping Christ in Christmas** through prayer, family Advent and Christmas traditions, and participation in other program events. Share on social media with #KCIC.

Give the Gift of Mobility

Come together as a district to purchase a container of wheelchairs giving the gift of mobility to 110 people in need this Advent and Christmas.

Councils are encouraged to collaborate within their district to purchase one large container of wheelchairs costing \$16,000. This will also earn each participating council two Community credits toward the Columbian Award (Global Wheelchair Report Form #10071). For more information on the Global Wheelchair Mission, visit www.kofc.org/wheelchair.

Please share this great opportunity for Christmas generosity with your families and parish community and give the gift of mobility around the world.



Prepare for the March for Life

This year's March for Life in Washington DC on January 18, 2019 will be the biggest March for Life to date. Are you coming? Sponsor a bus and partner with other local councils and parishes!

Pre-Order K of C “Choose Life, Love Life” signs via Supplies Online. Signs are free and we’ll send you as many as you need for your bus or local March!

How are you preparing for the March for Life? Want to be involved with the March but can’t attend? The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is hosting *9 Days for Life* – a ‘digital pilgrimage’ of prayer and action from January 14-22, 2019.

Sign up information is coming soon! Stay tuned!

Canadians, please join the United States in prayer and solidarity as U.S. Knights gear up for their National March for Life. Please consider supporting Winter Games for Special Olympics. For more information, reach out to your province's Special Olympics Chairman.

Upcoming Webinar

Please also note that there is a Fraternal Mission Online Training webinar on Tuesday, December 11, at 8:30 PM Eastern Time.

This webinar will discuss how Faith in Action is your plan to let the parish community know that your council are men of faith and of action, and is geared to every council member and officer.

All webinars are recorded and available for replay On-Demand at a time and a place convenient for you.

Faith in Action Life Chair

I have received approval from the Capitol to hold a March for Life Event at the state Capitol on Jan 18th at noon. I pray that the event is all it can be, I have asked Father Chris Lebsock to participate and he agreed. I have asked the 4th degree to provide a color guard.

Still praying for speakers and master of ceremony. I noticed we missed being listed in the Columbia magazine last year as having had a march last year. I am looking for guidance on who to talk to about that.

Please email your valuable input and please plan to attend. I will send more information as things develop.-**Dan Wing Life program Chair (406)-439-4715**

Supreme-Recommended Program Category Matrix

FAITH	COMMUNITY
RSVP	Coats for Kids
Into the Breach	Global Wheelchair Mission
Marian Icon Prayer Program	Habitat for Humanity
Building the Domestic Church Kiosk	Disaster Preparedness
Rosary Program	Free Throw Championship
Spiritual Reflection Program New	Catholic Citizenship Essay Contes
Holy Hour New	Soccer Challenge
Sacramental Gifts New	Helping Hands New
FAMILY	LIFE
Food for Families	Marches for Life
Family of the Month/Year	Special Olympics
Keep Christ in Christmas	Ultrasound Program
Family Fully Alive	Christian Refugee Relief
Family Week	Silver Rose
Consecration to the Holy Family	Mass for People with Special Need
Family Prayer Night New	Pregnancy Center Support New
Good Friday Family Promotion New	Novena for Life New

*Bold denotes Featured Programs
Faith in Action Programs — Table 2*

Marty Beatty, State Program Director

2019 Resolutions

The 2019 State Convention for the Knights of Columbus is on the horizon and looks to be a refreshing and upbeat convention. As you may not be aware, the 2019 convention will be held in Great Falls, MT from April 26 -28th, 2019.

A major order of business at the convention deals with the consideration of resolutions presented by the State Officers or by individual Councils. Now is the time to prepare any resolutions that your council may want the state convention to consider. If you wish to have a resolution considered, it must be in my hands no later than 1 March 2019. This date must be strictly observed because of the necessity to compile all resolutions so that they can be mailed to each council for consideration at

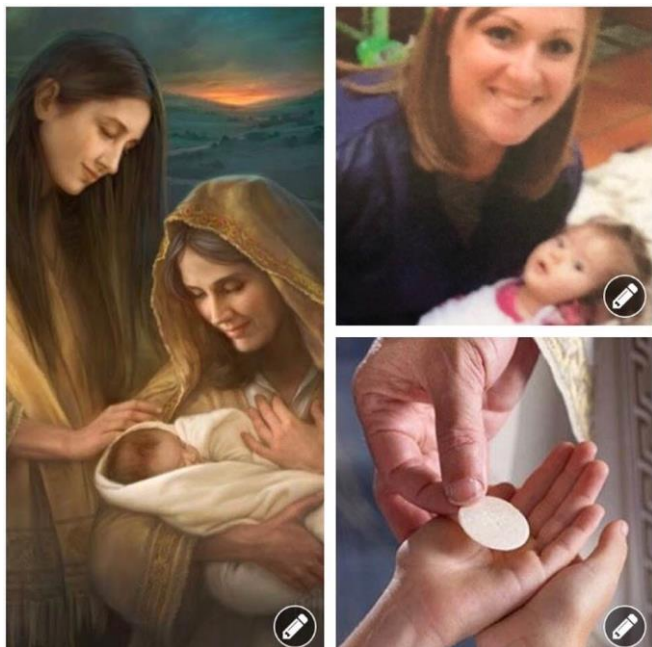
your council's general membership meeting prior to the state convention.

Any resolution not in my possession by the 1 March 2019 deadline may not be presented to this year's convention assembly due to the lack of sufficient time to transmit it.

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated by all of the State Officers.

E-Mail or snail mail your resolution to the following address: Thanks and have a very holy and blessed Christmas season. -**James M Taflan State Advocate, 2850 King Edward Ct, Helena, MT 59602** Or Email: taflan@bresnan.net

Our Faith in Action



The photo on the left is a painting titled "Mary Let Me hold Her Baby" by Howard Lyon. The picture on upper right is a picture taken at orphanage In Guatemala. This could also be titled, Mary let me hold her baby. The bottom right could be titled the same. Sometimes I think it is so easy to take this privilege for granted, that Mary trusts and loves us enough to hold her son. When I went to Guatemala we visited the same orphanage, cribs lining the room with babies just longing to be held. The longing in Mary's heart for us to hold her son is far greater than our deepest desire to receive him. A mother's love is the strongest force

in the universe. She loves each of us as her child. Hail Mary Full of Grace, fill our hearts with the love of God.



Jo Buchholz is a cousin to a brother Knight. This leaflet is an example of the small things The Knights of Columbus can do through Faith in Action.

Montana Regional Training

WHEN: Saturday January 26, 9am-3pm

WHERE: St Mary's Catholic School
511 South F Street, Livingston, MT 59047

WHO: GK, FS, and all other Council Leaders or want to be Leaders

TOPICS COVERED

- *Council Officer Responsibilities
 - *Faith in Action
 - *Online Membership
 - *Safe Environment
 - *FS Training for both New and Seasoned FS
- Q & A

RSVP: SS Dan Hallsten at 4thegriz@gmail.com
406-586-1013 or
PSD Steve Zachmann at
zachmannkofc@midrivers.com At 406-778-
2261-**Dan Hallsten-State Secretary**

Council 13093 Thanksgiving baskets
Council 13093 in Stevensville made 105+ baskets made and distributed them to families in the Stevensville area.



New Brother Knights



Congratulations to the new Brother Knight Exemplified in Billings last month.

Council 2464's Knights Korner Bulletin Insert

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Advent Reflection Presentation of "Journey to the Inn". A delicious supper of homemade turkey soup and assorted sandwiches was served to all. If you missed out this year, please plan to be with us next year.

In a joint venture between St. Benedict's Catholic Women and the K of C's in combining funds, a \$500 check will be forthcoming to seminarian John Pankratz, who is studying for the priesthood in Rome. (Merry Christmas) This is in conjunction with the K of C RSVP Program, a program promoting support for religious vacations.



KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS cards are available for purchase in the back of the church. See Fran Rodgers, chairman.

Mark Sunday December 30th on your calendars for the upcoming K of C FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST. Your participation helps in funding the many charitable works of our council. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Black Friday Coats for Kids Participation



Coats available at Good Samaritan on Black Friday



Dave Zachmann of Council 844 assists with a coat size



The Good Samaritan in Helena thanks the Knights for the coats Council 844 provided

ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL PER MONTH.

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. Articles about what's happening in your Council and pictures in jpg format are always welcome.

Council 844 Participates in Marian Prayer Service



For the Good of the Order

Past State Deputy **Joe Basile** recently died in Oregon where he was living in a care facility near one of his kids. Please keep Joe and his family in your prayers. We all remember Joe as an eloquent speaker and great motivator. Joe's funeral and burial was held in Oregon where he was living these last three years. The family may have a mass said in Bozeman this spring.

May the faithful departed through the mercy of God, **Rest in Peace.**