

MONTANA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
STATE CONVENTION – 2019 GREAT FALLS

April 26<sup>th</sup>

Morning Session 1:

Session was called to order by SW Anthony Malisani, who delivered a welcoming speech

After a prayer offered up by SC Fr, Leo, Great Falls Mayor Bronson welcomed the delegation and presented a key to the city.

Bishop Warful of the Great Falls – Billings Diocese spoke to welcome the Knights and let all know how important our work is for the church.

A video from Supreme was shown with remarks from Carl Anderson.

SD Allan Cormany then presented checks to:

Mt Special Olympics

Mt Catholic Conferences

Mt Catholic Social Services

Native American Association

Project hope

St De Paul Food Bank

Poor Clares

Supreme representative Jose Jimenez made welcoming remarks as well to the delegation.

SD Cormany then made remarks introducing his theme for the year as a year of construction for all that the Montana Knights do for the church, community, and the order.

General Agent Dermot McCaughan gave a presentation on the insurance program, mentioning over 37 Million dollars in insurance coverage

General Session:

Roll call was conducted by SS Dan Hallsten

A motion was made to suspend the reading of t convention and was approved.

All reports from State Directors and Chairs were accepted by acclamation.

The convention agenda was approved without descent.

The treasurers report was accepted

PSD Don Hartman reported on the Bad Lands Bowl that will be held June 15<sup>th</sup>. Also, noted that this might be the last one to be held.

State Chaplain Fr. Leo McDowell spoke to the delegates about Corporal Communion and if councils are planning ahead the events within the Faith in Action program.

The delegates then reported to their assigned committees while others went to the new informative side sessions on Faith in Action, Insurance and membership networking.

Upon return to the chamber, the Past State Deputies gave a report. A short presentation of the Silver Rose program was provided.

A video on Mobile ultra sounds was shown with an announcement on Missoula's efforts to raise money for a mobile unit for Western Montana.

The day was ended with a closing prayer by SC Fr. Leo.

April 27<sup>th</sup>:

After the opening prayer and the pledge to the Allegiance, SC Fr, Leo presented a reflection on prayer to the delegation.

PSD Art Malisani gave a report on MT Special Olympics and challenged all councils to donate to a new special endowment to the Special Olympics suggesting at least \$250.00 from each council be donated to that fund.

Committee reports were presented on Credentials, Mileage and per Diem, and Financial Audit and all were accepted by the delegation without change.

The delegates then broke out into revolving side bars on the topics of Ceremonials, Tootsie Roll Campaigns, Round Tables, KCC, RSVP program and Officer Training.

The resolution committee then made their report with their recommendations accepted.

PSD Steve Zachmann gave a report on Montana Knights of Columbus Charities Inc. with a list of top contributors and where the allocations went this year.

State Officer Elections proceeded with current officers being reelected. SD Cormany was reelected, SS Hallsten was reelected, and ST Kavon was also reelected. Josh Twichel was elected to the office of State Warden. Billings was accepted as the next location for the State Convention in 2020.

Supreme delegates to the National Convention were nominated and after all votes were cast, Anthony Malisani and Pat Perrella were elected. Alternates were Sylvester Barros and Robert Holbrook.

The convention then was motioned to adjourn and accepted.