



Bob Kish
Supreme Membership
Program Consultant

Brother Knights of Idaho,

I would like to take this opportunity of introducing myself as the new “Membership and Program Consultant” for Idaho. 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 9th, 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 Idaho 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 Idaho 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 Idaho. 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 Idaho.

Fraternally,

Robert Kish
Membership Program Consultant
Fraternal Mission
Supreme Council - Knights of Columbus