

Decatur Knights Raise Funds For Ultra Sound Machine



(Courtesy Photograph)

Knights attending the presentation are (l-r): Joe Podlesny, Council 3986; Lee John Bruno, State Ultra Sound Coordinator; Office Coordinator, Kristi Goodwin; State Warden, Danny Garcia; Nurse Manager, Candy Thigpen; Dave Birchmeir, State Culture of Life Director; Executive Director of Sav-A-Life of Decatur, Veronna Keen; State Treasurer, Jason Esteve; Brother Knight Del Smith; State Advocate, Joe Flaherty; State Deputy, Pete Parrish; and Past State Culture of Life Director Jim Kaelin.

DECATUR – Knights of Columbus Council 3986 recently concluded its fund raising drive to purchase a new Ultra Sound Machine for Sav-A-Life of Decatur. The drive, which commenced in September, raised a total of \$17,248, which with a dollar for dollar matching grant from The Knights of Columbus Culture of Life National Program allowed Sav-A-Life to purchase a brand new Samsung R7 state of the art machine.

The Knights were assisted in their fund drive by members of Annunciation of the Lord Parish, other K of C Councils and the Alabama State Council.

Save-A-Life of Decatur was established in 1987 as a non-profit organization that offers free services and up to date information that can help women make informed decisions regarding pregnancies. In 2014, the center served 3,289 adults, gave 854 pregnancy tests and 265 ultrasounds, and served 2,276 children through its clothes closet.