

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your Grand Knight, Eric Novak.

Gilman Days: July 26, 2014. This is our most important fund raiser. If you are asked to help – please do so or find a replacement. If you are able to help that day, we will not turn you away.

Regarding the start time of our monthly meetings. Beginning with the October meeting the rosary will be recited at 7:15pm and meeting will follow the rosary at 7:30pm.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally Yours,
Eric Novak, Grand Knight
Tel: 320-309-6250

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight, Eric Novak welcomed members attending the July 1st meeting. Thank you to Brother Knight Dale Novak for accepting the office of Advocate of this council. Members were reminded to return their raffle tickets as early as possible to Rob Stay. All tickets sold or unsold must be accounted for. Volunteers are needed for the different jobs on Gilman Days, July 26th. Please help where you can. Thank you Brother Knights, Leo Zimmermann and Ken Janson for volunteering as chairman of the lunch stand.

Council treasurer, Al Sobania reports the balance of the general fund is \$5,249.26

Chairman Reports

Membership: Brother Doug Novak announced there will be a 1st degree on August 5th meeting night at 7:00pm. We still have a number of members who haven't paid 2014 dues. If you've been contacted reminding you owe \$30 annual membership dues, please send your check to: Financial Secretary Doug Novak 13944 105th Ave NE, Foley MN 56329. New membership is

needed for 3rd & 4th degrees. Please give some effort in signing up new members. 3rd degree members are encouraged to join the 4th degree. Doug Novak would be happy to talk with you about the 4th degree.

Financial secretary, Doug Novak tallied up the council membership: Gilman 139, Morrill 31, Brennyville 24, Mayhew Lake 16, Foley 3, and 39 from other various parishes.

Youth: David Lieser youth chairman invites Tri-Parish mass servers as guests of the council to the St Cloud Rox's 5:05pm baseball game on Sunday, August 3rd. A catered picnic will be served outside at the ballpark at 4:00pm. The Knights will cover the cost of the meal and ticket to the ball game for each of the servers. All other parishioners wishing to attend are asked to pay \$20 for the meal and reserved seat game ticket. Members are asked to please provide transportation. Contact David Lieser 387-3030 by July 27th to reserve your ticket.

Church: Everyone please sign up for the Traveling Statue of Mary in your home. Contact Doug Novak at 387-2382. Nonmember families are also welcome, pass the word around.

Council: Jamie Ranweiler reminds council members of Gilman Days ATV Raffle July 26, 2014. Please return sold chances as promptly as possible and do your part to help out where ever possible.

FAMILY PICNIC

The council will hold the annual family picnic on August 17th at the Gilman Community Park. Beverages and 4:00pm main meal is provided by the council. Families are asked to bring a dessert or salad dish to share with the group. Hope to see you there. Bring your family, deceased members wives and guests. Door prizes and games for the children.

Community: Friday, August 1st members are needed to help 4th degree at the St. Joe Meat Market brat sale from 9:30am to 12noon. Proceeds from this project support the October 16th clergy banquet. Also members are needed at Cash Wise lunch stand on August 24 & 25th.

The 7TH ANNUAL TRACTOR FUN RUN will be held Saturday August 23rd. Starting time is 10:00am in the Gilman Church parking lot, lunch at 11:00am at Ramey Church Hall. Join in the tractor games and activities that follow, as a spectator or a participant. Any questions: contact Jamie at 968-8048.

Vocations: Brother Leo Zimmermann stated that there are many good reports on the recent vocations camps. He reminded members that you don't have to be thinking about becoming a priest to attend these camps; they are open to all teenage boys.

Family of the Month: Brother Knight, Daniel Novak Family was awarded the July 2014 Family of the Month. Congratulations to the Dan Novak Family and thank you for your support of the church, council and community.

Knight of the Month: Brother Leo Zimmermann was awarded the July 2014 Knight of the Month. Leo was thanked for completing the two years term as Council Grand Knight. Leo set a very good example of a worthy brother knight serving his council, parish and community. Thank you, Brother Knight Leo.

Pro-Life: Rob Stay chairman reports that Birthline had funding cut from the St. Cloud Hospital and State of Minnesota due to health care reform. He entertained the need for council support. Council moved to donated \$250 to Birthline.

Brother Knight David Lieser made an informative presentation for Holy Family Catholic Adoption Agency. It is a small non-profit agency that exists mainly for saving babies from abortion and finding them a good Catholic Home. The council donated \$200 toward the agency.

The council made a \$100 donation to the Propagation of Faith for Fr. William Kapunga and Franciscan Friars.

Semial Audit ending June 30, 2014

Council membership is 271 associate and insurance members. Receipts and beginning balance totaled \$15,417.44 and disbursements \$10,177.95, net balance on hand \$5,239.96. Special account – vocations fund balance \$6,347.63. Council does not have any liabilities.

DISTRICT DEPUTY MESSAGE

District Deputy Jamie Ranweiler brought notice to officers and members the upcoming district meeting 7:00pm July 13th at St. Edward's parish in Milaca. Good time to meet the officers of other councils in the district.

A new insurance agent will soon represent this area; meantime contact Jim Szczech General Agency at 252-7173.

Meeting jack pot was presented to Brother Knight, Jamie Ranweiler.

Name drawn for the Pot of Gold was Brother Knight, Greg Novak, who **was not present** to collect the \$30 prize.

Remember to pray for Brother Knights and their families sick or in distress.

Next meeting – 8:15pm August 5, 2014