

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your Grand Knight, Rick Boeckman.

I hope everyone has been enjoying the summer. It seems like it is flying by quicker than ever. Gilman Days is right around the corner. The planning for the activities is well underway. We will need help with the set up and take down for this activity, please volunteer a little of your time to help if you are going to be around. Also check in at the food stand to see if they could use your help.

Please work hard at selling your raffle tickets and turn them in as soon as you can. Contact Rob Stay or Doug Novak for tickets.

I encourage all members and their families to join us for the family picnic on Sunday August 20th. Enjoy an excellent meal with fellow knights and their families.

Hope to see you at the next council meeting.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally Yours,
Rick Boeckman, Grand Knight
Tel: 320-293-1188

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight welcomed members to the July 13th regular meeting.

Communications received since the last meeting were read: The council needs a member knight to step forward and take the Deputy Grand Knights position. We need your leadership, please volunteer. Thank you.

Treasurer: Alphonse Sobania reported general fund balance of \$7,747.09.

Chairman Reports

Membership: Continue to make contact with men to join the knights. New members are needed to maintain growth in the organization. Each member should be gathering names and contact phone numbers of men interested in joining and

officers will follow up with them. Materials are available to distribute to men interested in joining. We also should be able to discuss with new members the activities of the knight's organization.

From our Financial Secretary, Doug Novak: If you are delinquent of paying membership dues of \$30 for 2017. Please be sure to send your check payable to the Knights of Columbus and mail to: **Financial Secretary Doug Novak 13944 105th Ave NE, Foley MN 56329.** Past Grand Knights are asked to assist in dues collection.

Community Activities:

Grand Knight reminded members that our council is next scheduled to be at the VA in St. Cloud assisting veterans in wheel chairs on September 3rd. We assist residents getting to Sunday morning mass at the VA. Contact Grand Knight or Jamie Ranweiler if you can help.

Gilman Days Celebration

Gilman Days is being held on weekend of July 29, 2017. Doug Novak & Rob Stay have the raffle tickets for the all terrain vehicle. Each member is asked to please come forward and pickup your chance books. If you are asked to help at the bingo, food stand or other jobs, it is your duty to help. All raffle tickets must be accounted for – turn them in before July 29th.

Brother Knight, Cary Pietrzak has offered his tables and chairs for the bingo and food stand. We will need help setting up the area Saturday morning, July 29th. Please show up – thank you.

Brother Knight, Tom Baron has again accepted to chair the bingo stand. He and the council will appreciate your help.

There are two shifts scheduled for the food stand being chaired by Eric Novak. **10:00am shift** workers:- Ben Novak, Quentin Novak, Jim Brown, & Wayne Wilson. **2:00pm shift** – Mike Gadacz, Chad Thorsten, Bert Vanderweyst, and David Lieser. Volunteers are welcome.

The council will be part of the parade. Thank you to the members who offered to be on the float and pull the float in the 12:30 pm parade on Saturday the 29th.

The knights have been asked to man the burger stand at the Gilman Coop Creamery on Friday July 28th 10am – close. The council has dedicated the proceeds to be donated to Cross Center for school supplies. Chad Thorsten is chairman, 320-968-4409 Again volunteer workers are welcome.

2017-2018 ACTIVITY CHAIRMAN

Activity chairman for the 2017-2018 council year are: **Pro-Life** – Rob & Rhonda Stay, **Youth & Church** –David Lieser, **Public Relations** – Mike Wertish, **Community** – Jamie Ranweiler, **Health Services & Family**– Rick Boeckman, **Council** – Eric Novak, **Lector** – Leo Zimmermann.

Thank you members for stepping forward and accepting these positions.

Annual Fishing Outing

June 29th was the council's fishing outing for the special needs youth and sponsors of Milaca DAC and senior members of the council. Walter and MaryAnn Oltz were thanked for offering their cabin on Platte Lake as the location to hold this event and providing the brats and hot dogs. Forty-one members and guests attended. Neighbor of the Oltz's provided the third pontoon along with the unit provided by Miller Marine. Thank you to Eric Novak, chairman and members and spouses that helped and provided food. Thank you to Jamie Ranweiler for arranging the Miller Marine pontoon.

Church: Doug Novak, Jim Jesok and Mike Wertish helped on July 7th at the Coborns brat stand. Proceeds go to benefit the upcoming priests and religious appreciation banquet.

Youth: David Lieser has arranged the Rox Baseball outing for the mass servers and youth

choir members appreciation lunch and ball game at 3:00 pm Sunday August 6th. Those needing rides are asked to meet at Gilman church parking lot at 2:00pm on Aug 6th. He has asked to be contacted by July 29th reserving everyones attendance. Cost is \$20 per adult, includes lunch and game ticket. Contact David at 320-387-3030.

Family Picnic Aug 20, 2017

Council family picnic will be held on Sunday, Aug 20, 2017 at Gilman Community Park. Come at 1:00pm for social and visiting and plan to join us for the pot luck supper at 3:00pm. Members, guests, deceased members wives, and potential new members are welcome to attend. Council will provide the main meat, grilled pork and beverages. Members are asked for a salad or desert to share.

District Deputy Message

July 9th District Deputy, Jamie Ranweiler held the area district meeting in Foley. Rick Boeckman reported the main topic of discussion was membership. Each council needs to work on meeting their council's quota.

Pot of Gold drawing \$20 - name drawn was Ben Novak – Sorry Ben was absent to receive the prize.

Meeting jackpot went to Brother Knight Richard Mastey, congratulations Richard.

Members are encouraged to pray and support the seminarians of our diocese. The list of seminarians can be found in the church entry and in the Visitor.

Pray for brother knights and families sick or in distress.

Next meeting August 1, 2017 at 7:30pm. rosary at 7:15pm.