

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your Grand Knight, David Lieser

With Gilman Days behind us I would like to thank everyone who helped out in any way with festivities. It turned out to be a great success all around, it continues to be a good way to keep ourselves visible to the community while also giving us the means to give back.

We also had our annual family picnic on August 12th, we had good attendance with some new things for the kids to do and the return of the horseshoe tournament and as always great food. We had 8 teams participate in the horseshoe tournament and this years champions were Rick Boeckman and Rob Stay, they went home with a trophy and Dairy Queen gift cards. Congratulations.

It is getting close to harvest time and we have been blessed with decent weather for our crops this year. Say a prayer to St. Isidore the Farmer for our farmers so that they will have a bountiful harvest. When it comes to weather a farmer can depend on the power of prayer more than anything else.

I hope to see some of you at the next meeting on September 4th.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally Yours,
David Lieser, Grand Knight
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COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight welcomed members to the August 7th regular meeting. Communications received since the last meeting were read: Students of St. John's Area School thank the council for the donation supporting their Foley Fun Days parade activity. Family of Patrick Sowada thanks the council for remembering Patrick in his recent passing away. Rosary prior to meeting was for Pat Sowada. Students who attended Steubenville thanks the council for sponsoring them. Thank you

from Catholic Youth Ministries for donation they received from the council. Pro-Life Ministries requested support in their drive at the capital to stop abortion. Council approves a \$100 donation to their cause.

Treasurer: Al Sobania reported the council general fund balance is \$19,655.64.

Chairman Reports

Membership: Keep working on membership. We are half way through the 2018 year and we should have another initiation. Continue to make contact with men to join the knights. Take notice the 2018 membership dues should be paid. 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.** Lifetime members are welcome to make a dues donation to be applied toward college student's dues.

Community Activities:**GILMAN DAYS RAFFLE**

The Gilman Days ATV raffle was held July 28th. Member sold 188 raffle books. Thank you to everyone who sold raffle chances. Top seller was Richard Mastey at 46 books. Doug Novak and Jim Brown were recognized for being one of the top sellers. The raffle netted \$12,300.07. Burger sales at the creamery on Friday the 27th earned \$321.83. Saturday lunch stand netted \$740 profit and bingo stand netted \$995 profit. Leo Zimmerman provided tent, tables and chairs along with a nacho cheese maker at the lunch stand. Council offered Leo \$200; he requested the council use the funds toward a new sign at the ballpark at the church or pro-life sign at Brennyville. He reminds council that the Pro-life sign at the grotto needs repainting. Water at the food stand was donated by Traut Wells. Chad Thorsten was

recognized for setting up the burger stand at the creamery. All workers were thanked for a very fine job and working together. ATV on the grand raffle was won by Brother Knight, Jim Jesok. Congratulations, Jim.

A \$500 donation was made to Cross Center under the name Food for Families. The supreme council will refund \$100 to our council for making this donation.

Travis Janson informed the council the Foley Fire Department will provide up to 3 smoke alarms and installation to a household in an effort to save lives in a house fire. Make a request to the City of Foley by Sept 7th. Call city hall 320-968-7260. Thank you, Travis for bringing the information to us. We are asked to pass the word,

Family:

Family of the Month: Family of the Month award was presented to Mike & Sarah Gadacz Family of S.S. Peter & Paul parish of Gilman. Congratulations to the Gadacz Family.

Annual Family Picnic

The annual family picnic was held August 12, 2018. Gilman Community Park was reserved for this activity. Council provided refreshments and meat for the pot luck meal. Side dishes to share were provided by members. Gathering was open to potential new member and family members to join us. Horseshoe tournament was won by Rick Boeckman and Rob Stay. Doug Novak and his volunteers grilled the pork loin. Thanks everyone.

Church: Wayne Wilson oversees the traveling statue of Mary. He'd appreciate hearing from you about having this Statue visiting your home for a week for daily rosary. Contact Wayne at 320-266-2553. This activity is open to the entire parish.

Inquire with a member of your parish if they would like to be part of this activity.

Council: Seminarian, Tom Skaja visited the council. He recently returned from his 2 months in Mexico. Bishop has the theology students there to brush up on their Spanish. Tom stayed with a family who did not speak English. At the 5th week they visited Mexico City. He is next to become a deacon. Tom thanks everyone for their prayers and support.

The next council activity will be the potato pancake supper scheduled for October 27th. We are looking for a volunteer to chair this activity. Can we count on you?

Knight of the Month: Grand Knight, David Lieser presented - Knight of the Month Award to Richard Mastey for his efforts in selling raffle tickets... Congratulations Richard and thank you for your dedication to council, church and community.

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.

Council pot of gold: Name drawn was Brother Knight, Matt Schyma, he was not present to claim the \$15 prize.

Council jack pot: Cash drawing was awarded to Brother Knight, Rob Stay Congratulations to Brother Rob.

Regular council meeting Sept 4th, 2018 at 7 : 3 0 p m . Rosary at 7 : 1 5 p m .