

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your Grand Knight, David Lieser

Another month has passed and Gilman Days is upon us, please do your best to support your fellow Knights and your community. Offer to lend a hand if at all possible. With August coming up and it being dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in the Catholic Church, I invite all Knights to say an extra Hail Mary everyday for an end to abortion. After all, we are Immaculate Mary Council; why not use the power of our prayer to save lives of the unborn. I look forward to seeing many of you at the next meeting.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally Yours,
David Lieser, Grand Knight

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight welcomed members and guest, Joe Furey, insurance representative to the July 3rd regular meeting. Communications received since the last meeting were read: Our sponsor child from Columbia wrote the council, updating and greeting the membership. Thank you from senior class of the Foley Public school for supporting the graduating senior lock-in. Catholic foundation thanked the council for our donation toward the Bishop's golf tourney. Rum River Crises Center thanked the council for the donation they received.

Treasurer: Al Sobania reported the council general fund balance is \$8,362.57.

Semiannual Audit June 30, 2018

Council membership is at 258 at the end of the period. Treasury balance including checking and savings was \$11,714.44. Thank you to trustees, treasurer, and financial secretary for preparing this audit in a timely manner.

Insurance

Insurance in the Knights is still an important function. Joe Furey agent of the St. Cloud area informs the membership he will service our council. His office number is 320-290-9832. Also Pat Conn can be contacted if you have questions regarding insurance with the knights. His telephone number 763-286-7409. Contact financial secretary, Doug Novak if you have an insurance issue. His telephone number is 387-2382.

Joe related that the Knights have a single premium policy which can be used as a prepaid burial fund. Another worthy product which would serve some of our members is the Universal Life Survivor policy. Do contact Joe or other insurance representatives regarding insurance coverage or questions.

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 ATV RAFFLE**

The Gilman Days ATV raffle will be July 28th. Members are encouraged to sell raffle chances. This is the council's main fund raiser for the various charities and functions the council is supporting. A lunch stand, bingo tent and parade float are also part of the days activities. Chairman volunteers are

Chad Thorsten, Leo Zimmermann, Eric Novak, Ken Janson. Jamie Ranweiler will see the float is ready for the parade. Extra volunteers are welcome especially the last few hours with cleanup. Please help where you can and sell your raffle chances.

Another activity on Gilman Days weekend is hamburger stand cookout at the Gilman Creamery on Friday July 27th, 10am. Helpers are needed.

Summer Fishing Trip

June 21st the council sponsored the annual summer fishing trip for the DAC group of Milaca, at Platte Lake. The attendance was very good and members were thanked for participating and helping with the activities during the day. We again thank Wally Oltz for being so generous in offering his property to hold this activity, providing the lunch and pontoon for fishing. The youth and chaperons with DAC expressed their appreciation to the council for sponsoring this function.

Rick Boeckman was thanked for representing the council at St. Mary's Cathedral on June 16th for cleanup after Deacon Ordination. Members are reminded that a priest ordination and a deacon ordination will be held next year. Plan to make yourself available for this activity.

Youth: Chairman David Lieser informs the council will again make reservations for youth to attend the lunch and Rox Baseball game. Date will be August 5th with a 4:05pm afternoon game. Again youth are invited to a picnic lunch with attendance to the game. Invitation is to youth mass servers and youth of the choir. Members are welcome to attend at their expense. Adult members of the council can join to be chaperons.

Family:

Family of the Month: Family of the Month award was presented to Wayne & Cindy Wilson Family of S.S. Peter & Paul parish of Gilman. Congratulations to the Wilson Family.

Annual Family Picnic

The annual family picnic will be held August 12, 2018. Gilman Community Park is reserved for this activity. Council will provide refreshments and meat for the pot luck meal. Bring a dish to share. Join us and invite a potential new member and family to join us.

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.

Knight of the Month: Grand Knight, David Lieser presented - Knight of the Month Award to Past Grand Knight Richard Boeckman. Congratulations Rick.

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, Doug Roehl, he was not present to claim the \$10 prize.

Council jack pot: Cash drawing was awarded to Brother Knight, Dan Lieser. Congratulations to Brother Dan.

Regular council meeting Aug 7th, 2018 at 7:30pm. Rosary at 7:15pm. in memory of deceased brother knight, Patrick Sowada