

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your **NEW** Grand Knight, David Lieser

I hope everyone is having a great summer filled with family, friends and fun. As we look forward to the rest of our busy summer let's try and remember to stop every once and awhile to appreciate all of the small things that God gives us every day.

With Gilman days coming up on July 28 & 29th we will be looking for help from brother knights to help in various ways. We will have the lunch stand, bingo tent and parade float. Please consider volunteering in some form to help make it a success. Many hands make light work. Also, don't forget the ATV raffle. Please do your part and help sell tickets, as this is the biggest fund raiser of the year. If you would like a book or two to sell contact brother, Rob Stay or myself.

.Lastly as your new Grand Knight, I welcome any and all ideas that you may have for the continued success of our council whether it is a new fundraising idea or just something that you think that we as knights should be doing differently. It is Ok to think "outside the box". Please contact me with any question or concerns, I will be happy to address them.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally Yours,
David Lieser, Grand Knight

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight welcomed members to the June 5th regular meeting and thanked everyone for making the evening mass and installation of officers. Communications received since the last meeting were read: Steve Kummert family thanked the council for donation toward Steve's medical costs. St John's Area School thanks the council for supporting the spring fund raiser and attending their community breakfast.

Thank you to those attending the May Crowning at S.S. Peter & Paul Church on May 6th. 4th Degree Knights were thanked for being honor guard.

Being present at the VA to push resident patients to Sunday morning church services is a welcome service. Grand Knight asked that a few more KC members volunteer to assist. This is done monthly.

Grand Knight thanked the members and families that assisted on the roadside cleanup on May 8th. It went rather quick with the good group that showed up.

Treasurer: Al Sobania reported the council general fund balance is \$6,375.34.

State Convention Report

Rick Boeckman and David Lieser represented our council at the Minnesota State Convention. The council received two awards: Certificate of Excellence Award and 3rd place in activities for the council's ATV raffle program. The State is stressing to continue working on membership.

Insurance

Insurance in the Knights is still an important function. With the retirement of Jim Szczech as General Agent of the St. Cloud area a new general agent Joe Caouette has been appointed. Office number is 252-7179. Also contacts can be made to agents Joe Furey 320-290-9832 and Pat Conn 763-286-7409. Contact financial secretary, Doug Novak if you have an insurance issue. His telephone number is 387-2382.

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 activities will include the ATV raffle, lunch stand, bingo tent and parade float. Chairman volunteers are Leo Zimmermann, Eric Novak, Ken Janson and Tom Baron. 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 the raffle chances.

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

The summer fishing trip for the DAC group will be held on June 21st at Platte Lake We again thank Wally Oltz for being so generous in offering his property to hold this activity.

Members were reminded about cleanup after Deacon Ordination at St. Mary's Cathedral on June 16th, at 2pm in the school basement.

Council:

Members voted into council offices at the May 1st meeting were installed following 7:00 Mass June 5th at S.S. Peter & Paul in Gilman. Jamie Ranweiler, District Deputy presided. All officers are expected to be present at monthly meetings and work along with new Grand Knight, David Lieser.

District Deputy Message

Jamie Ranweiler's position as district deputy will term out the end of June. The replacement District Deputy will be Nick Dahler. Jamie congratulated Gilman council on awards earned at the State Convention. Continue the good work for the order.

Youth: Chairman David Lieser informs the council will again make reservations for youth to attend the lunch and Rox Baseball game. Date to be announced later, youth mass servers and youth of the choir are welcome to attend. Adult members of the council can join to be chaperons.

Family: 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.

Council moved to support the Bishop's Charitable Golf Tournament at Territory Golf Course. A \$100 donation was made to the cause.

Council moved to help St John's Area School with Foley Fun Days parade expense with a \$200 donation.

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, Richard Boeckman, he was present to claim the \$5 prize. Congratulations to Brother Rick.

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

Regular council meeting July 3rd, 2018 at 7 : 3 0 p m . R o s a r y a t 7 : 1 5 p m .