

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your Grand Knight, David Lieser

First of all I would like to wish all brother Knights and their families a very Happy & Blessed Thanksgiving. As we try not to forget all of the many things that we are all thankful for let us also not forget WHO we are thanking. Take a moment this season to just stop and pray with your family, it is always easy to pray when we are asking God for something. How often do we stop to just THANK Him for something?

A big thank you goes to Fred Novak for the outstanding job that he did chairing the very successful potato pancake supper this year. And also all the brother knights who helped out and did their share to make everything go smoothly, whether it was helping in the kitchen or even bringing your family to enjoy the great food. THANK YOU!

Next months meeting on December 4th will be an open meeting with a wine and cheese social after a short meeting. Please bring your spouse to this event and also any prospective member that you may have. Before the meeting there will be adoration, starting at 6pm and then our deceased members mass starting at 7pm. The open meeting will be held right after mass. Please make an effort to attend.

Once again, Happy Thanksgiving and I hope to see you all on December 4th.

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

Grand Knight welcomed members to the October 2nd regular meeting. Communications received

since the last meeting were read: Thank you from Foley Area Care for the donation they received. Family of Ernest Oltz, father of brother knight, Wally Oltz thanked the council for prayers and remembering Ernest.

Treasurer: Al Sobania reported the council general fund balance is \$13,579.41.

Chairman Reports

Membership: New members Isaac Stay and James Niedzielski joined the council on October 28th. We welcome them and thank them for joining the Knights of Columbus. Continue to contact men to join our organization. At the same time contact the 26 outstanding members who are delinquent in payment of their dues. Contact financial secretary, Doug Novak that you'd like to help. Have their check sent payable to the Knights of Columbus and mail to: **Financial Secretary Doug Novak 13944 105th Ave NE, Foley MN 56329.** Congratulations Tony Matvick and George Struffert in receiving the honor of Lifetime membership. A reminder to all lifetime members you are welcome to make a dues donation to be applied toward college student's dues.

Tuesday, November 20th is the next 4th degree meeting at Mr. Jim's in Foley Saturday, December 1st is the next initiation of members at St Peter's Parish St. Cloud. Candidates be there 8:30am.

Community Activities:

Council approved a donation of \$750 to Sisters of Morning Star. They had a request to help cover their housing expense. The 2019 Catholic Men's Conference will be held at Sacred Heart Parish in Sauk Rapids. Council approved the joint advertisement in the conference booklet being planned.

Council approved supporting the BOX OF JOY with a \$200 donation. This project is handled through the parish Christian Women.

Members were asked to help prepare Widow Baskets prior to Christmas.

November 11th is Veterans Day – Remember our veterans and those now in the military.

Potato Pancake Supper

Brother Knight, Fred Novak reported on the October 27th Potato Pancake Supper held at Gilman S.S. Peter & Paul Church Workers were thanked, their help was appreciated. Proceeds grossed \$1,958. Expenses amounted to \$696.76. Greg Novak was thanked for donating eggs, cabbage, and bread for the pancake supper. Thank you to Fred for chairing this activity.

Family:

Family of the Month: Family of the Month award was presented to Leonard Skroch Family of S.S. Peter & Paul Parish of Gilman. Congratulations to the Skroch Family. Thank you for your support to Council, Church & Community.

Church: The celebration **HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY December 30th** is scheduled for the afternoon of 30th. Mike Gadacz family will chair the event. Horse trolley rides are planned along with refreshments and treats. You are invited – please bring a dish to share. Thank you.

Deceased Members Mass & Social

December 4th meeting we will have our deceased members mass. Join us with adoration at 6pm, meeting at 7pm and wine & cheese social to follow. This is an open meeting, ask your spouses to join you. Invite a potential new member and his spouse.

The council will support seminarian Tom Skaja with a \$1,000 donation. Other seminarians of the

diocese will receive a cash gift card. We wish every seminarian a Very Merry Christmas. Our council invites members to contact seminarians of the diocese. See the recent St Cloud Visitor for a full page photo of them and contact information of the seminarians.

In June 2019 there will be deacon ordination of four seminarians in St Cloud. Plan now to keep this time open to help with the social event that follows.

Council: The council will be supporting the area **Keep Christ in Christmas** billboard display in the St Cloud area.

In January 2019 the council will support the annual fishing trip for the local clergy.

Pro-life: January is Pro-Life Month. We are asked to support the Pro-Life collection and pray for an end of abortion.

Knight of the Month: Grand Knight, David Lieser presented - Knight of the Month Award to Mitch Czech. Congratulations Mitch 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 St Cloud Visitor.

Pray for brother knights and families sick or in distress.

Council pot of gold: Name drawn was Brother Knight, Jim Brown; sorry he was not present to claim the \$30 prize.

Council jack pot: Cash drawing was awarded to Brother Knight, Rich Zimmer. Congratulations to Brother Rich.

Regular council open meeting December 4th 2018 at 7pm. Adoration at 6pm.