

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your Grand Knight, David Lieser

The summer is flying by and Gilman Days is already upon us, and with it brings our biggest fundraiser of the year. If you are on the list or contacted to help, please make your best effort to do your part. If you can not help it would be much appreciated if you could find a replacement. Please join me and pray for good weather for the day of the event on July 27th. Also a reminder that the annual Family Picnic at the Gilman Community park shelter is on August 11th, all members and prospective members are welcome to attend. Also remember to invite our deceased member's wives.

As I have written in the past, I invite any new ideas that anyone has for the council. We are always looking for new and exciting ways to include all of our members and their families to help keep our council vibrant and strong. Our meetings are the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm. I invite you to mark the dates on your calendar right now for the rest of the year. God Bless.

Vivat Jesus! Fraternally Yours,
Dave Lieser, Grand Knight
Tel: 320-387-3030

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight welcomed members to the July 2nd meeting and thanked all for participating in the rosary at the Grotto for Mary Puchalla, deceased wife of member Kenneth Puchalla. Communications received at the meeting were read: Vocations sponsor award was displayed which the council received at the State convention.

Grand Knight welcomed Fr. Matthew Langager for attending the meeting and thanked him for accepting the position of council chaplain.

Members that attended the fishing event for the 27 special needs persons on June 25th were

thanked for helping and also a sincere thank you to Wally and Mary Ann Oltz for hosting the event at their lake property.

Treasurer, Al Sobania reported the council general fund balance is \$8,517.71.

Chairman Reports

Membership: We need to continue to make contact with men to join the knights. 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. Council is working on a date to hold a 2nd & 3rd degree.

From our Financial Secretary, Doug Novak, the 2019 membership dues should be paid at this time. Contact has been made with members with unpaid dues. Doug was congratulated and thanked for his efforts in contacting members about their membership dues. 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.**

Church Activities: June 8th was the Deacon Ordination of Seminarian Thomas Skaja at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. Our council was present in serving lunch to the guests attending. Nine members were present in this event. Thank you for you dedicated service.

We are invited to participate in adoration throughout the day on Wednesday's following 8:00am mass at S.S. Peter & Paul Church in Gilman.

Semi-annual Audit

The audit of June 30th was read and approved by the council. Thank you to financial secretary, treasurer and trustees for performing their duties. Assets \$11,880.50, no liabilities, 254 members at the end of the period.

Council Activities:

2019 Gilman Days 4-wheel raffle is being held July 27th. Rob Stay is in charge of the raffle; see him or Dave Lieser for chance books. With 50 prizes; there are 2,500 raffle tickets available, so each member should be selling at least a book or two of tickets. A lunch stand and bingo stand will need your help. Serving roast beef and hot dogs, along with nachos & cheese Please help, each of us should do our part.

Workers list for Saturday July 27th lunch stand:

<u>Setup to 12:15</u>	<u>12:15 to 3:30</u>	<u>3:30 & cleanup</u>
Jeff Mastey	Bert Vanderweyst	Wayne Wilson
Greg Novak	Mark Reimer	Sam Lieser
Jamie Ranweiler	Randy Jurek	Mike Gadacz
John Struffert	Jeron Lentner	Jessie Sobania
Jason Struffert	Brian Teff	Jesse Brenny
Jim Jesok	Jim Brown	

Dale Novak will be caller at the bingo stand. He will need help at the bingo stand. Please volunteer as a helper.

Show up anytime as a helper, it will be appreciated. Remember the raffle tickets – sell and return sold and unsold.

Friday the 26th we will serve hamburgers on the grill at the Gilman Creamery from 10am to closing. Many hands will help make the weekend a success. Will you help?

Brother Knights of the Gilman parish and the council have been offered the opportunity to help with the Haunted Park project at S.S Peter and Paul Church fund raiser this fall Two weekends Oct 18 & 19 and 25 & 26 Let Grand Knight, Dave Lieser know you can help.

POTATO PANCAKE SUPPER

Our annual potato pancake supper is planned for Saturday, October 26th. This activity is a big hit with

parishioners and visitors of the area. We will be looking for a good bunch of workers to get this activity off to a successful celebration. Please accept the opportunity to help when asked.

Youth Activities:

August 4th the council has arranged for our mass servers and youth choir members to attend a Rox baseball game in St. Cloud. There will be a pregame picnic lunch prior to the 4:00 game. Adults are welcome to attend at their cost. Contact Grand Knight, Dave Lieser at 387-3030 to reserve a ticket.

FAMILY PICNIC

August 11th is the date for the council family picnic. Mark this date on your calendar. This will again be a pot luck early evening meal, council providing main meat and refreshments. Families are welcome along with deceased member's wives and proposed new members. Please join us.

Brother Knight, Brian Lorenz has accepted the officer position of Advocate. We thank Brian for stepping up and volunteering.

Brother Leo Zimmermann informs the council, we a near a time to change over to solar power at the Grotto on Highway 25. The grotto is also needing some tree trimming, staining and painting. Can you help with this project? This would also include a repainting of the PRO-LIFE sign located at the site.

Council pot of gold: Name drawn was George Struffert he was not present to claim the \$45 prize.

Council jack pot: Cash drawing was awarded to Brother Knight, Rob Stay. Congratulations to Brother Knight, Rob. Thank you for being active in council, community and church activities.

Regular council meeting August 6, 2019 at 7:30pm. Rosary at the Grotto at 7:15pm.