

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from your Grand Knight, David Lieser

It finally feels like summer is here and even though we have seen some warm temperatures we have also seen an abundance of rain. Let us pray for our area farmers so that they can get some dry weather to finish up the planting season.

The 4 wheel raffle tickets for Gilman Days are ready. This is our biggest fund raiser of the year, so please do your part to try and sell a book or two. Contact Rob Stay or myself for tickets.

We will be having a fishing outing again this year for the individuals with developmental disabilities and senior members. It will be on June 25th on Platte Lake. If you are interested in attending or know of someone that is please contact myself or Eric Novak.

Please keep your eyes open for events that we have coming up this summer, including the Family Picnic on August 11th. Gilman Days on July 26th & 27th and a St. Cloud Rox game with a date that is yet to be determined. Don't be afraid to make an appearance at one of these events to visit with some your fellow knights.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on June 4th.

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

COUNCIL NEWS

Grand Knight welcomed members to the May 7th meeting and thanked all for participating in the rosary at the Grotto for Wayne Wilson's father.

Communications received since the last meeting were read: Thank you from seminarians for the gift cards they received at Christmas time. Rhonda Stay thanks the council for the contribution to faith formation program. Thank you from students and staff of St. Andrew's school of Elk River for our donation to the technology program.

Grand Knight thanked the members for helping with the tootsie roll drive and handing out Easter eggs.

Thank you to 4th degree for participating in the May Crowning at S.S. Peter & Paul 8:00am mass May 5th.

Birth Line informed the council of their dinner and program on Thursday May 9th. They are changing their name and relocating to Centra Care.

S.S. Peter & Paul parish is preparing a welcoming booklet. Information from the council was requested. Grand Knight will provide the requested materials for the booklet.

Treasurer, Al Sobania reported the council general fund balance is \$6,738.74.

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. F.S. informs he has been able to bring the outstanding dues down to 14 members. Doug was congratulated and thanked for his efforts. 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.**

We are happy to announce Life Time Membership has been awarded to Brother Knight, Michael Wertish. Congratulations Mike on receiving Honorary Life.

Church Activities: Please remember June 8th to assist with the Deacon Ordination of Seminarian Thomas Skaja to traditional deacon at St. Mary's

Cathedral in St. Cloud. Our council will be responsible for serving lunch to the guests attending. Please give your time and energy to help out. We need at least 6 people. Please arrive on Saturday around 9:00am.

We are invited to participate in adoration on Wednesday mornings following 8:00am mass at S.S. Peter & Paul Church in Gilman.

Community Activities:**Tootsie Roll Drive**

The State Council Tootsie Roll fund raiser supporting the persons with special needs was held on April 27th & 28th. Total donations collected amounted to \$703.05. Council designated net proceeds to be divided between Milaca DAC, State Special Olympics, and Diocesan Special Education. Thanks to all that helped collect funds and pass out tootsie rolls. Thank you Doug Novak, who spent the day at Pojo's in Gilman, collecting \$378.

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. Being our largest council fund raiser for the year, lets each do our part to help. Friday the 26th we will serve hamburgers on the grille 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. Let Grand Knight, Dave Lieser know you can help.

Roadside cleanup was scheduled for May 13th. Even though it was a short notice, in less than an hour and a half we got the job done. Thank you, brother knights and families for participating.

June 25th is date scheduled for the special needs fishing trip at Platte Lake at the Wally and Mary Ann Oltz property. If a council member or an acquaintance of yours has a pontoon which could be used for that day, we'd appreciate the offer of its use. We usually leave Gilman around 9am, fish to around noon and serve brats and hot dogs for lunch. Fun for all that show up. Thank you, Wally and Mary Ann for your generosity.

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.

Council was requested to support the Foley senior lockin - \$50 donated. St Cloud Diocese requested help sponsoring the vocations camp - \$300 donated. Senior baccalaureate will be held in Morrill at a Saturday evening mass - \$50 donated toward lunch.

Family of Month: Jim Brown Family of Morrill. Congratulations.

Knight of Month: Doug Novak of Gilman, Congratulations

Council pot of gold: Name drawn was Waylon Novak; he was not present to claim the \$35 prize.

Council jack pot: Cash drawing was awarded to Brother Knight, Jim Brown. Congratulations to Brother Knight, Jim.

Regular council meeting June 4, 2019 at 7:30pm. Rosary at the Grotto at 7:15pm.