



KNIGHT NEWS

Council 844 Helena, MT

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JULY	Calendar
10-14	State trap shoot
11th	July membership meeting at 6:30
18 & 25	Men's COR Group

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

July is the month of the Precious Blood. To quote Danielle Bean, "Devotion of the Precious Blood of Jesus is devotion to his love and mercy." Vivat Jesus.
John Russell, Grand Knight.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Congratulations to all the worthy Knights elected as Council officers for the fraternal year.
- Members attending the general meeting on Thursday, July 11 will be voting on the approval of this year's budget.
- The next meal that the council is providing for the patrons of God's Love is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17.

TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE

We have approval to distribute Tootsie Rolls at OLV on 7/14 after the 10:30 Mass and Saint Mary's on 7/21 also after the 10:30 Mass. Volunteers will be needed to assist with those events. Also we will be at Albertsons on 7/13 at their north Montana location and Van's Thrifty on 7/20. On July 27 we will be at the Last Chance parade and will need a minimum of 5 to help. Historically, we have used proceeds to assist handicapped citizens in our area and this year proceeds are specifically pledged to Westmont to replace a window in one of their group homes and then helping to update the fire suppression system in 7 of their homes. As you can see, it is important to raise as much as possible. To volunteer for any of these drives please contact Brady Benson at (406) 366-2628 or brady-koc@yahoo.com.

STATE TRAP SHOOT

We still need more volunteers to assist at the State Trap Shoot July 10-14. A full day's shift would run from 9am to 4pm each day. Half days are okay as well. Trap Club will donate \$100 per day to the council for

each volunteer. Contact Bernie Adams at (406) 431-9514 to volunteer.

HELENA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOME ASSOCIATION MEETING & ELECTION

The Home Association, in accordance with by-laws, we will hold the annual meeting and election of the four-member Board of Directors at the September 12 regular meeting of Council 844. Current directors are Willy Frank, Dirk Andersen Bob Simoneau and Dirk Nelson. The Duly elected Grand Knight is a voting member of the Board. Nominations will be accepted up to and including the date of the election. Please feel free to contact any of the current Directors of more information.

FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

After a few years absence due to COVID, we had a fund raising breakfast on June 30. Approximately 60 people attended and we raised \$761 via free-will offerings. Proceeds are all used to support our Kindness makes Miracles ministry. Many thanks to Bob Simoneau, Rick Richetti, Marty Heaton, Marty Beatty, Jim Ruch, Mike Boyle, Dave Galt, Dominick Speranza, John Russell and Carl O'Loughlin. Our next fifth Sunday breakfast will be held on September 29th.

MEN'S COR GROUP MEETINGS IN JULY

Please come join us in July as we continue our journey of growing together in faith and action as Catholic men. We are now watching and discussing the exceptional series by the Augustine Institute, *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*. We will be meeting Thursdays at 6:30 pm at the KC Hall on July 18 and 25. Mark your calendars, invite some friends and come spend an hour with us in prayer, formation and fellowship!

FOOD FOR FAMILIES-HELENA FOOD SHARE

The Helena Food Share donation box is located at the entrance to the Hall. Bring your food donation to the next meeting and drop it in the box. John Russell, our Community Director, will deliver your donation to Helena Food Share. If you decide to personally deliver your donation to Helena Food Share, please donate on behalf of Knights of Columbus Council 844. Obtain a donation slip from them and turn that slip into John Russell or any Council officer. If you prefer, you can scan your donation slip and send it via text to John Russell at (406) 461-3839, or jrsafe@gmail.com. Helena Food Share is located at 1616 Lewis Street in Helena. June contributions were \$10 cash.. Total contribution for the 2023-2024 fraternal year is 8,218.6. pounds and \$163.00 cash..

\$100 RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to the June \$100 raffle winner, Glen Salt.

JUBILEE GARDEN

Our council receives credit for a few TONS of vegetables donated to Helena Food Share each year. This is primarily as a result from the works of Brother David Krainacker and wife Nina at Saint Mary's Jubilee Garden. Help make this more of a group effort by offering your services Sundays 11:30-1:00 or Wednesdays 6:00 pm to 7:00.

AID AND SUPPORT AFTER PREGNANCY- OPTIONS CLINIC

The Helena Options Clinic donation box is located at the entrance to the hall. Bring your donation to the next meeting and drop it in the box. John Russell, our Community Director, will deliver the donations to the Options Clinic. If you decide to personally deliver your donation to Options Clinic, please donate on behalf of Knights of Columbus, Council 844. Obtain a donation slip from Options Clinic and turn that slip in to John Russell or any Council officer. If you prefer, you can scan your donation slip and send it via text to John Russell at 461-3839, or email jrsafe@gmail.com. If you scan your donation slip, please ensure that all of it is legible before you send it. Options Clinic receives a monetary reimbursement from Supreme Council for Council 844 donations. The Options Clinic is located at 1005 Partridge Place, Suite 1, Helena. There were no contributions for the month of June. Total contributions for the 2023-2024 Fraternal Year is \$4,421.47.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the July Family of the Month recipient, Fred Lubke.