



# KNIGHT NEWS

Council 844

Helena, MT

and past Grand and past Grand Knight John Russell  
with much appreciated

## AUGUST 2025

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14th	AUG. BUSINESS MEETING 6:30
15TH	ASSUMPTION OF MARY HOLY DAY
31ST	FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Friday, August 15th, is the Holy Day of Obligation for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Be sure you find a way to make it to Mass on Friday. I encourage you to attend our regular meeting this month. We need to provide funds to fix the hall's roof and that will be a topic of discussion. This Saturday (August 9) we are providing breakfast for the Diaconate Training at Our Lady of the Valley (6:30AM). Also we need to plan our 5th Sunday Breakfast on August 31st. One of my goals this year is to increase our physical presence in areas such as Habitat for Humanity and the Soccer Challenge for the youth in our area. Consider helping by volunteering to assist in these or other activities. Vivat Jesus!, Jerome Richard, Grand Knight

and past Grand Knight John Russell, with much appreciated key assistance from Worthy Advocate Rick Tappan. The revisions were long overdue and much needed in order to help bring the HA into compliance with the 2016 guidance from Supreme and to move forward on attempting to regain tax-exempt status for the HA from IRS. All council members who are also HA members with receive copies of these documents via email later in August so that they can be voted on and approved at the September business meeting. There will also be an election of the HA Directors at the September meeting. Although nominations will be accepted up to the election the recommendation is to reelect the current directors to ensure continuity with the approval and implementation of the new documents

### FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

On August 31st we will be hosting our next Fifth Sunday breakfast. All proceeds go towards supporting our Kindness Makes Miracles program to make school aged children aware of the potential seriousness of bullying. We also use funds to help families or individuals in need of some financial assistance. Please contact Carl at (406) 461-9244 if you are available to help or know of someone in need of assistance. We meet at the hall at 6:30. Breakfast is served from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm.

### HELPING HANDS-GOD'S LOVE

Our next scheduled meal for the patrons of God's Love is Tuesday, September 23. If you are interested in helping cook and/or serve food, contact John Russell at (406) 461-3839 or [jrsafe@gmail.com](mailto:jrsafe@gmail.com). There will be a sign-up sheet at the August and September general meetings.

### HELENA KC HOME ASSN. UPDATE

The Home Association (HA) has worked hard to update and revise the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws. These important documents were developed and approved by the current Directors Willy Frank, Dirk Andersen, Bob Simoneau, Dirk Nelson, Jim Ruch

### 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](mailto:jrsafe@gmail.com). Helena Food Share is located at 1280 Boulder Avenue in Helena. July donations were 117 pounds of food. Total contribution for the 2025-2026 fraternal year is **117 pounds**.

### BARTENDER CERTIFICATION

The council is once again offering safe service alcohol training at no cost. Certification lasts for a period of three years and nobody whose certification has lapsed will be allowed to tend bar. The training will be held September 16 from 5:30 to 9:30 at the hall. Pizza and soft drinks will be provided.

### FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the August Family of the Month recipient, John Russell.

### \$100 RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to the JULY \$100.00 raffle winner, Rick Richetti.

### LIFE

Please spend an hour with us every Friday morning at 10:00 in prayerful protest of abortions in front of Planned Parenthood.

### WHEELCHAIR

The council is in possession of a nice wheelchair. Please let Bob Simoneau know if you or someone you know would benefit from its use. He maybe reached at (202) 680-4393.

### EVENTS

There are numerous bar events scheduled in the upcoming weeks/months. Sign up sheets will be presented at general membership meetings. Please be generous with your time.

### AID AND SUPPORT AFTER PREGNANCY

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, 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](mailto: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. July donations were \$0. Total contributions for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year is **\$0**.