KNIGHT NEWS

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JULY.	2026
9TH	JULY BIZ MEETING AT 6:30
9TH	INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
AUG. 23RD	OLV PARKING

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

This month we celebrate 250 years of independence as a nation. From the beginning, the United States of America has guaranteed the freedom of religion. No one has benefited from this more than Catholics. Remember to thank God for this freedom and to exercise your right to be Catholic, and a Knight of Columbus, to the fullest extent. We have several events taking place in the upcoming weeks and months. This month, we'll have an installation of officers at our membership meeting. Next month's meeting we will have a dinner of hot dogs and hamburgers for members and guests. More to come on that. Also, August 23rd, Our Lady of the Valley is having a special picnic on their land on North Montana. They will beed some assistance with parking and helping people from the parking area to the dining tents. More to come on that as well. October 13th, the day after Columbus Day, we will be having a clergy dinner. This will be held at the Nava Gardens on Head Lane.
Vivat Jesus!, Jerome Richard, Grand Knight

TABS FOR ELOISE

Roughly one year ago our council became aware of a local kindergarten student afflicted with bilateral hip dysplasia. With this affliction, her family had to make regular trips of Salt Lake City for her medical care. While in Salt Lake City, her family stayed at the Ronald McDonald House. Then Eloise came up with an idea to collect can tabs to be weighed and exchanged for funds that directly support the House's programs, which is to provide comfort and lodging for families during hospital stays. For perspective, it takes around 100 tabs to equal one ounce and she ended up with pounds upon pounds. Hearing of this it became a great opportunity for our council to assist her goal of filling a wading pool full of tabs. We have sent several jugs of can tabs to Eloise over the past year and Bob Simoneau and Dave Galt were invited to attend a special presentation ceremony at Rossiter School on June 5 of this year. The photo of Eloise with her pool overflowing with tabs is so heart warming. Now she is ready for another pool full. So before you dispose of your tabs, please try to save them and bring them to the hall to help support this sweet young lady.

HELPING HAND GOD'S LOVE

Our council will be providing four meals for the 2026-2027 Fraternal Year. All dates are on a Tuesday; September 22; November 24; January 26, 2027 and May 25, 2027.

COR

By the time you have received this newsletter we will have held one Cor gathering on the 2nd. The one remaining meeting date in July will occur on the 23rd. If you've never had the pleasure of attending a Cor gathering, please join us and be prepared to be inspired. We generally have pizza to dine on during our meetings.

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 1280 Boulder Avenue in Helena. June donations and total fraternal year amount amounts were unavailable at the time of this publication.

AID AND SUPPORT AFTER PREGNANCY (ASAP)

Brother Knights, 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, please ensure that all of it is legible before you send it in. Options Clinic is located at 1005 Partridge Place, Suite 1, Helena. Total contributions for the 2025-2026 Fraternal Year was $5,535.00. Nice job everyone!

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the July Family of the Month, Marty Heaton

RAFFLE DRAWING WINNER

Congratulations to the June winner, Pat Lubke.