



# KNIGHT NEWS

## Council 844 Helena, MT

### July 2025

Calendar	
Sept 26	Responsible Alcohol Training

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### GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

As I take over as Grand Knight for John Russell, I look back on the past two years and appreciate the work he has done to make our transition easier. Every Grand Knight can only hope to leave the council better than he found it, and John has done that. Now I need your help in taking the next step forward. Consider volunteering for at least one thing this year. We are all busy, so it might just be a small task that takes 30 minutes, or it might be to take over as a committee chair. You could have an idea for the council that will help us to improve our mission to the Church and community. Or maybe you just make a commitment to attend a meeting or two throughout the year. Whatever your calling, answer your call as a Knight. Vivat Jesus! - **Jerome Richard-Grand Knight**

### COUNCIL OFFICERS

Grand Knight-Jerome Richard  
Deputy GK-Jim Ruch  
Chancellor-Marty Beatty  
Treasurer-Brian Mattern  
Advocate-Rick Tappan  
Warden-Joe Bugni  
Trustee (3 year) - John Russell  
Trustee (2year) - Mike Boyle  
Trustee (1 year) - Bob Simoneau

Congratulations to our new officers!

### HELPING HANDS - GOD'S LOVE

During the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year, the council provided four meals to approximately 80 patrons of God's Love. Our next meal is scheduled for September 2025. Get involved and serve members of our community who need assistance.

### FOOD FOR FAMILIES - HELENA FOOD SHARE

During the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year, the council provided 1,809 pounds of food to Helena Food Share. The council is qualified to receive a \$500 refund from Supreme for our efforts. Nice job!

### ASAP - OPTIONS CLINIC

During the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year, the council provided \$7,000.00 worth of items to Options Clinic of Helena. The council is qualified to receive a \$400.00 refund from Supreme that will be given to Options Clinic. Nice job!

### FIFTH SUNDAY BREAKFAST

On June 29, 2025, the council hosted a breakfast for members of the Helena community. 29 people showed up to eat a sumptuous meal of ham, eggs, pancakes, and sausage and gravy. Donations totaled \$544.00 all going to Kindness Makes Miracles. Special thanks to Carl O'Loughlin, Marty Beatty, Bob Simoneau, John Russell, Marc Buyske, Bernie Adams, Mike Boyle, and Marty Heaton for making it a successful day.

## **FAIR PARKING - LAST CHANCE STAMPEDE AND FAIR**

It's that time of year again for the Lewis and Clark County Fair. Our council participates with our 4th Degree brothers to park cars during the fair. Proceeds for our efforts go to supporting the Refund Support Vocation Program (RSVP) assisting our seminarians. If you are interested in getting involved, call or text John Russell 406-461-3839 or email him at [jrsafe@gmail.com](mailto:jrsafe@gmail.com).

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

There are a number of bar catering events coming up on the next few months. If interested in tending bar or just helping at events please call Bob Simoneau at (202) 680-4393.

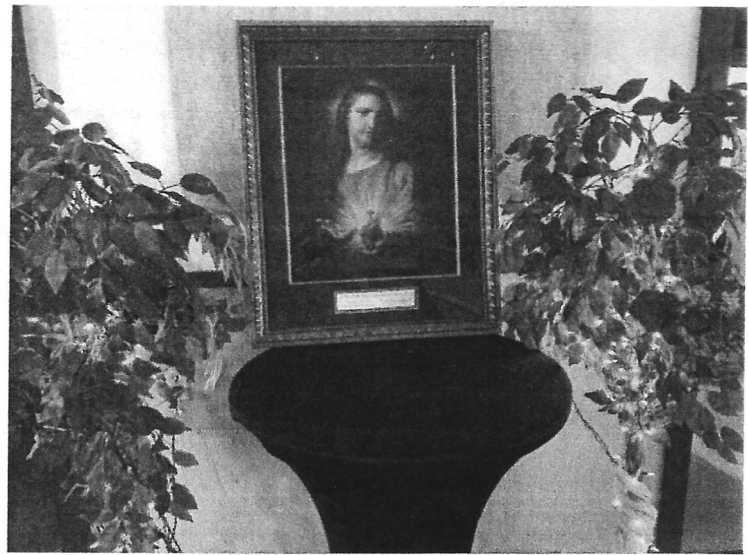
On Tuesday, September 16, 2025, a "Responsible Alcohol Sales & Service" training class will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. No charge for K of C members; Pizza and Sodas will be provided. If interested in attending - or have questions, please call Bob Simoneau at (202) 680-4393.

## **RAFFLE WINNER**

The monthly \$100 Raffle winner was Rich Holdorf.

## **FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

The July Family of the Month is Tony Lecce.



## **The Sacred Heart Icon**

A Sacred Heart Icon program was held at the Cathedral on June 21<sup>st</sup>.