



KNIGHT NEWS

Council 844 Helena, MT

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OCT..	Calendar
10th	Monthly membership meeting @ 6:30
24th	Cor meeting at 6:30 @ the hall.
NOV. 8th	Special Olympics dinner

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

October is the Month of The Holy Rosary. When we pray the Rosary, Mary takes us by the hand, teaches us how to know and love her son and draw us close to Him. Vivat Jesus, John Russell, Grand Knight

JUBILEE GARDEN

IT IS HARVEST TIME!! And there is much work to be done. Please, please, please help somewhat justify all the credit our council receives for tons of fresh produce by offering a helping hand. Crops produced are donated to Helena Food Share. 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 11:00-1:00.

CELEBRATION OF THE NEW FRATERNAL YEAR

Our October 10 business meeting will have a bit of a twist to it. Burgers, dogs and brauts and all the fixin- will be available and coincide with our meeting at 6:30. "Eat and Meet" if you will. Show up to participate in the meeting with fellow council members and enjoy the food. **And it's FREE!!!!**

THANK YOU

To the following who worked the Harvest Moon bar event on the 28th: Bob Simoneau, Dirk Andersen, Willy Frank, Mike Boyle, Carl O'Loughlin, Jack Murphy, John Russell, Jim Ruch, and Al Williams.
The hall work day on the 21st: Jim Ruch, Willy Frank, John Russell, Mike Boyle, Rick Richetti, Sal Ranchetti, Steve O'Hare, Bob Simoneau and Dirk Nelson.
The 5th Sunday breakfast on the 29th: Rick Richetti, John Russell, Mike Boyle, Bob Simoneau, Jim Ruch, Marty Beatty and Carl O'Loughlin. And last, but cer

tainly not least to all who worked so hard this past fraternal year under the strong leadership of our Grand Knight, John Russell, resulting in being awarded the prestigious Columbian Award.

COUNCIL POSITIONS OPEN

The following positions are open to anyone interested in stepping up and contributing to the success of our council. (1) Temporary Warden; (2) Life Director, Contact John Russell at (406) 461-3839.

BY-LAW AMENDMENT

We will be discussing two options regarding our existing Relief Fund at our October meeting. Presently the fund authorizes \$500 to assist fellow knights, with a maximum single payout of \$250. In light of a recent event, proposal (1) would increase the fund total to \$5,000, with maximum single payout of \$1,500. Proposal (2) would remove the Relief Fund from the by-laws and would be replaced by a line item in the annual budget. Advantages and disadvantages of either proposal will be discussed at our business meeting.

PRO LIFE-CI-128

As election day draws near, we appear to be up against an opponent with seemingly endless funding for ads. The Initiative removes most existing restrictions to allow an abortion and is quite vague in many respects. If you wish to make a donation in opposition it would go through Montana Catholic Conference Social Advocacy, which are not tax deductible. Use the link <https://www.givecentral.org/mccsa-general> or send a check to MCC Social Advocacy at P.O. Box 1708, Helena, 59624. Checks should be written MCCSA and on the memo line write: MCCSA General Operations." In addition, CI-128 yard signs are available from Patrick Webb at Montana Family Foundation, link: patrick@montanafamily.org. Kalispell Knight Bill Meyers is traveling the state delivering signs so you might also try calling him at (406) 885-6752.

MEN'S COR GROUP MEETING IN OCTOBER

Please come join us as we continue our journey of growing together in faith and action as Catholic men. We will be meeting on Thursday, October 24. Formats will either be a thought provoking video by Saint Augustine institute or a bible study facilitated by Father Tim Morarity. Mark your calendars, invite some friends and come spend an hour with us in prayer, formation and fellowship!

HELPING HANDS-GOD'S LOVE

Our council provided a Sloppy Joe dinner to 40 appreciative patrons of God's Love on Tuesday, September 24. Special thanks to Craig Roloff, Dave Galt, Mike Boyle, Jim Ruch, Trapper Bishop, Carl O'Loughlin, Rick Richetti and John Russell for donating/cooking/serving the food. The next God's Love meal is scheduled for Tuesday, November 26. Join us and help those in need.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Helena once again will be hosting the Special Olympics competition on November 8th and we will be feeding 250 athletes, coaches and handlers afterwards. The venue for the dinner will be Saint Mary Catholic Community. We need volunteers to set up, food prep and cleanup. Call Bernie Adams at (406) 431-9514 or email: badamsmt@gmail.com. Spouses and children over 16 are welcome to help.

\$100 RAFFLE WINNER

Congratulations to the September \$100 raffle winner, Shanon Buswell.

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to the October Family of the Month recipient Dirk Nelson,

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. September contributions were 65 pounds. Total contribution for the 2024-2025 fraternal year is 234 pounds.

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. Contributions for September was **\$627.00**. Total contributions for the 2024-2025 Fraternal Year is **\$2,510.00**.