



Lansing Knights of Columbus Council 10834 Monthly Newsletter June 2016

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**Meeting conducted by the Grand Knight on
Wednesday, May 11, 2016; 31 Brothers at-
tended the meeting.**

Meetings and Events

- **Rosary & Corporate Communion: 7:30 a.m. Sunday, 5 June, 2016.**
- **Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, 8 June 2016 at 7:30 p.m.**
- **MAJOR DEGREES: Go to <http://www.kansas-kofc.org> and click on the calendar for detailed information.**

Knight of the Month (May)

Brother Tom Novak

Summary: Selected based on his support of parish ministries (EM), financial committee, repair of HVAC, and efforts to reduce the cost of repairs such as the roof replacement.

Family of the Month (May)

Brother Thad Brzustowicz Family

Summary: Selected based on their strong support of parish activities and ministries. Continued service as a Knight of Columbus and strong support to the 4th Degree Color Corps.

Membership: Current membership:

- o 162 Members
- o 86 Associate Members
- o 69 Insurance Members
- o 7 Inactive Insurance

Reminder from previous Newsletter

- **Capital Campaign Pledge:** Please consider renewing your pledge. Additionally, anyone wishing to provide a donation or initiate a pledge should contact the parish office. You can also send donations to:
[Saint Francis De Sales](#)
Attn: Building Fund
900 Ida Street
Lansing, KS 66043
Consider renewing your pledge
- **Amazon Smile Program:** Members of the parish are encouraged to sign up for the [Amazon Smile](#) program that will donate .5% of a purchase to a designated charity. Saint Francis de Sales is a registered with the charity and members are asked to sign up for the opportunity. Parish has established a similar program with Dillon's.

Council Meeting Highlights



Grand Knight Message (Brother Gates Brown):

At our May meeting we heard about the State Convention and received updates concerning what the Knights of Columbus across our state accomplished this year. For example, as a state, we added three new sonogram machines as part of our pro-life work and we gave over \$250,000 to support seminarians. I wanted to let all of you know that the accomplishments of the state come because of your efforts. I am honored to work with you to provide these works of mercy on behalf of the Knights of Columbus and more importantly the Church. The Council and St. Francis de Sales parish would not be what it is without your sacrifices. **Brother Gates Brown**

- **District Deputy (Brother Gregg Beck):** Provided summary of the Annual State Convention. Relayed that it was a successful year. Provided the following awards to the council: Culture of Life, Pennies from Heaven, and Tootsie Roll Program. He provided certificates to **the Gates Brown family** as District Family of the Year and to **Brother John Twohig** as District Knight of

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the Year. He stated that our nominees for Family of the Year, Knight of the Year, along with our Vocation Poster Contest submissions competed well at State level.

- **Field Agent Report (Brother Dave Soukup):** He highlighted the financial support generated across the state's Knights of Columbus councils over the past year: Tootsie Roll raised ~ \$375K; councils provided \$250K in support to 102 Seminarians and 42 other religious; provided \$225K for Culture of Life Support to include adding 3 new sonogram machines. Additionally, the 185 councils contributed over \$400K in support of local parishes and charities. Knights quietly helping those in time of need because it is the right thing to do.
- **Financial Secretary (Brother Jim Scherer):** Reported we have 162 members – with three transfers added since last month and one departure sadly with the death of Brother Tom Smith. Brother Jim provide a breakdown of funds in each of our accounts. Additionally, he announced the first annual \$1,000 donation to Leavenworth Catholic Schools of pledge of \$5000 over a five year period that was agreed to earlier this fraternal year.
- **Presentations:** District Deputy provided council and individual awards as discussed above.
- **Correspondence:** Council received
 - Thank you note for financial support and an invitation to his ordination as transitional deacon and Mass of first sermon on 21 May from Michael Guastello.
 - Thank you note for financial support from George Rhoads, seminarian.
 - Thank you note from CASA for financial support of \$250 for their annual fund raiser.
 - Thank you note from Leavenworth Catholic Schools for \$500 donation.

- Request from Deacon Agustin Martinez to have the 4th Honor Corps from the three councils that supported him be at his ordination on 28 May.

- Reminder – we are cordially invited to the Mass of Thanks Giving for the Ordination of **Agustin Martinez Delgado** Saturday 28 May 2016 at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Kansas City Kansas. He will subsequently celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at 2 Masses on 29 May. 12PM at St. Agnes (5250 Mission Rd, Roeland Park, KS 66205) and in Spanish at 5PM at Our Lady of Guadalupe (134 NE Lake St) in Topeka.

- **Membership Director (Brother Bob Hall):** Council
 - Unanimously approved transfer into the council of **Brother Brandon Temple**
 - Unanimously approved new member ship request of **Ryan Rambo**
 - First degree ceremony at council 900 on 15 May at 1PM.
 - We are still short 2 new member for this fraternal year – encourage others to join.
 - Council will conduct a 1st degree ceremony in early June – date TBD.
- **Report of the 4th Degree (Brother Bob Hall):** Council 4th Degree members were asked to support the following 4th Degree Color Corps events:
 - Diaconate Ordination on 21 May at the Cathedral of St. Peter, 409 N. 15th Street, Kansas City Kansas, Show time 930 AM, with Ordination starting at 1030 AM.
 - Priesthood Ordination, 28 May, at the Cathedral of St. Peter, 409 N. 15th Street, Kansas City Kansas, Show time 930 AM, with Ordination starting at 1030 AM.
 - Archangel Raphael Event/Corpus Christi Mass & Procession, 29 May, Holy Angels, 15438 Leavenworth Rd, Basehor, KS 66007, show time 930 AM, Mass Starts at 1030 AM.
- **Program Director (Brother Dennis Huffman):** Nothing to report.

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- **Church Director (Brother Jim Cunningham):**
- Provided signup sheet for the 5 June Rosary and Corporate Communion; announced that Laurie Reineke replaces **Brother Dave Maggard** as the parish Receptionist/Pastoral Secretary; highlighted the parking lot resurfacing and marking; servicing of HVAC; and intent to replace the roof on Robert Martz Hall in the next 4 to 8 weeks..
- **Community Director (Brother Tom Young):** Nothing to Report.
- **Council Director (Brother Jim Scherer):**
Council unanimously selected **Brother Tom Novak** as the Knight of the Month for May for support of parish ministries (EM), financial committee, repair of HVAC, and work to reduce the cost of repairs such as the roof replacement.
- **Culture of Life Director (Brother Eugene Young):** Nothing to Report.
- **Family Director (Brother Jim Fricke):** The Council unanimously selected the **Brother Thad Brzustowicz Family** as family of the month for June based on their strong support of parish activities and ministries. Continued service as a Knight of Columbus and strong support to the 4th Degree Color Guard.
- **Youth Director (Brother Bill Butler):** Nothing to Report.
- **Chancellor (Brother Dennis Huffman):** Nothing to Report.
- **Report of Auditors and Trustees:** Nothing to Report
- **Old & New Business:**
 - Council agreed to attend the T-Bone Game on 26 June at 1:05 PM as a council outing. Will confirm attendees at the June monthly meeting.

- **Annual Elections:** Grand Knight and council members conducted the annual elections according to the bi-laws. The following slate of officers were considered and unanimously elected:

GRAND KNIGHT	Gate Brown
DEP GRAND KNIGHT	Edd Hingula
TREASURER	Don Studnicka
WARDEN	Don Portice
CHANCELLOR	Thad Brzustowicz
RECORDER	John Twohig
INSIDE GUARD	Jack French
OUTSIDE GUARD	Mike Koehane
TRUSTEE 1 YEAR	Brad Cox
TRUSTEE 3 YEAR	Dennis Huffman
ADVOCATE	Bob Hall
- **Brother Don Portis** encourage others to support the Parish Community Meal the 2nd Thursday of the Month. SFDS and Trinity Lutheran Church at the corner of 6th and Osage feed ~400 meals between 4-6PM to the local community.
- **Brother Mike Koehane** advised brother knights that May 13 is **Brother Robert Martz** 85th Birthday and encourage all to wish **Brother Robert** a happy birthday.
- **Bother Bob Hall** discussed the 4th Degree Honor Corps support of a number of fellow Knights and priest funerals over the past few months. Encouraged 4th Degrees to support the two ordinations on 21 May and 28 May - show time 0930 at the Cathedral.

Good of the Order: Our council Lector & Thespian, **Brother Edd Hingula** strongly encourage the council to improve our support of the aluminum can collection to support religious. He asked that members save their aluminum cans and bring them to next month's meeting.

Please send "Knight's in Action" photos and a brief caption to Brother Twohig for inclusion in future newsletters. We will even consider pictures submitted by a Marine

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Knights in Action

Introducing the 2016-2017 St Francis de Sales Knights of Columbus Council 10834 Officers

GRAND KNIGHT: Brother Gates Brown



DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT: Brother Edd Hingula



TREASURER: Brother Don Studnicka



WARDEN: Brother Don Portice



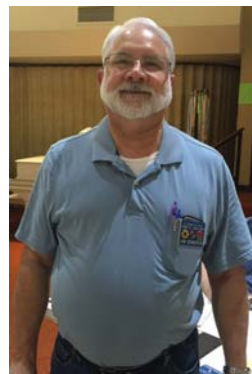
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INSIDE GUARD: Brother Jack French



TRUSTEE 2 YEAR: Brother Dan Ladd



OUTSIDE GUARD: Brother Mike Koehane



TRUSTEE 3 YEAR: Brother Dennis Huffman



TRUSTEE 1 YEAR: Brother Brad Cox



ADVOCATE: Brother Bob Hall



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***In Memory of Brother Tom Smith
Council Member, former Grand Knight, great
friend to all.***



Brother Tom winning the 2015-2016 Annual Drawing – Vespa Scooter.



Grand Knight Gates Brown providing Tom's family a council certificate in honor of their father.



Brother Edd Hingula leading the rosary at the viewing



Assembly 293 Faithful Navigator recognizing Tom's contributions as a 4th Degree Knight.



4th Degree Color Corps honoring Tom



Tom always enjoyed the social hour after each monthly meeting. His fellow Knights raising a glass to Tom - "You're a good man . . . may you rest in peace."

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“The Return of the Jedi Master”



Brother Robert Martz back in action. Brother Edd can't slow him down even with a sword. Welcome back Sir Robert.

Brother Bill's been busy



Like so many of our council's 4th Degree members, Brother Bill Butler supporting multiple Color Corps events for both Priests and fellow Knights of Columbus.

Expert Advice



Brother Terry Yoakam providing advice on lawn and garden. Did not know he had such talents.

Three Awards from State



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