



**Lansing Knights of Columbus
Council 10834
Monthly Newsletter
June 2018**

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**Meeting conducted by the Grand Knight
on Wednesday, 9 May 2018; over 29
Brothers attended the meeting.**

Meetings and Events

- **Pro-Life Rosary & Corporate
Communion: 7:30 a.m. Sun-
day, 3 June, 2018.**
- **Next Council Meeting:
Wednesday, 13 June 2018 at
7:30 PM**

MAJOR DEGREES:

**For More Information Go To:
<http://www.kansas-kofc.org> and click
on the calendar for detailed infor-
mation.**

Knight of the Month (June 2018)
Brother Terry Yoakum

Family of the Month (June 2018)
Brother Neal Hanley

Membership: Current membership:

- o 156 Members
 - o 77 Associate Members
 - o 72 Insurance Members
 - o 7 Inactive Insurance
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Grand Knight Message:
"A GREAT MILESTONE"

So last month, I alluded to milestones that we all seem to use to track how time has gone by, but especially the milestones we've achieved or surpassed.

Then we were given the opportunity to mark a great milestone for one of our own; that is the observance and celebration of 65 years of service to the Knights of Columbus by none other than Sir Knight Robert Lee Martz.

A fine and true example of a Catholic Gentleman, Robert was most deserving of the honors and the gifts bestowed on him. His humility was apparent as he reacted to the celebration held on the occasion of our monthly Rosary and Corporate Communion.

His precise 65th Anniversary of service was just this past week, having taken his First Degree on May 1, 1953. He has been a Knight, in service to one, in service to all, for longer than many, many of us have been alive. (Okay, okay, there are a few outstanding exceptions!)

We give thanks to our great provider and shepherd, God above, for the milestone that we celebrate with our Brother Knight. His achievements are myriad over the course of his time as a humble Knight in our order. He started as a Knight in the 1st degree with Council 900, Leavenworth, and later transferred to the council here at St. Francis de Sales. He continually gave of his time, talent, and treasure through the various programs conducted by the Knights to help support our pastors during his tenure, our Holy Catholic Church, his parishes, his community, and his council. His service is such that we see it as a model, and we should all hope to emulate.

Congratulations Sir Knight Robert Lee Martz on your 65 years of service, with the Love and Respect of your fellow Knights!

**Brother Edd Hingula
Grand Knight.**



Chaplain's Corner:

Applied Psychology

A college student rang the doorbell and delivered the pizza. The man who opened the door growled, "What's the usual tip?"

"Well, sir," the student replied, "this is my first delivery. But the other guys said that if I got fifty cents out of you, I'd be doing great."

"That so?" grunted the customer. "Well, in that case, here's twenty bucks."

"Thank you, sir," the grateful student said, taking the bill. "This will be a big help at school."

"By the way," the customer asked, "what are you studying?"

"Applied psychology."

This psychology student has learned not just to see what people do but *why* they do it—and what will make them act differently.

Jesus in John 17:11-19 prays that we will do the same. He calls us to see the truth in its totality, and not just to recognize a series of facts. Christ prays that we understand how those facts connect to reveal a Bigger Truth—to see how God is present in our lives and in our world.

To be a person of authentic faith means to face and seek out the truth regardless of any preconception or bias we might have. To be "consecrated in the truth" begins with embracing the Spirit of God: the wisdom, the wholeness, the love of God who is the first and last and our unending joy.

***Fraternally,
Father Bill***



Field Agent Report:

Is Your Paycheck Protected?

Most people see work as something that will always be there. We live our lives expecting to wake up, go to work, and complete our tasks throughout the day to provide for our families. Work, and the financial stability that it provides, is often taken for granted. What if one day you wake up and you are no longer able to go to work, through no fault of your own? Accidents and illness can affect anyone, at any stage in their career. How will you react to unforeseeable adversity? Do you have a plan in place if you are no longer able to perform your duty?

The Knights of Columbus can help you put this plan in place and prepare for unexpected life events.

Retirement is often planned, but disability is not. Chance favors no man. Too often people say "that will never happen to me" or "I will cross that bridge if it comes." There is no bridge that carries you over the void from gainful employment to disability unless you start planning today.

Disability insurance is often dismissed by working men and women because they think their jobs are fairly safe. Their lives are fairly healthy. Disability — they say — is simply something they will never experience. The statistics tell a different story.

A staggering 1 in 4 of today's 20-year-olds will become disabled before reaching the age of 67. The nature of the job is irrelevant. According to the Social Security Administration, 95 percent of all disabling illnesses and accidents happen outside of the workplace.* Consider a typical male, age 35, nonsmoker, who works at an office job with some outdoor responsibilities and leads a very healthy lifestyle. He has a 28 percent chance of being injured or becoming ill and unable to work for three months or longer prior to retirement.** If this happens to you, not someone else, will you have a bridge to carry you and your family?

Your membership in the Knights of Columbus gives you and your eligible family members exclusive access to disability income insurance that can help safeguard your paycheck.

***Brother Dave Soukup
Knights of Columbus Agent
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Council Meeting Highlights

- **Treasures Report (Brother Don Studnicka):** Provided detailed accounting for council funds from a treasures perspective. **Balance:** \$16,963.05.
- **Financial Secretary's Report of Receipts of Meeting (Brother Jim Scherer):** Provided detailed report on membership, dues status and a breakdown of funds in each of our accounts. **Balance:** \$17,212.05. He also Relayed that average age of the council members was ~59 years; average ~15 years of service; over 30 members are 4th Degree and the council was implemented on 22 May 1992.
- **Chaplains Message:** Father Bill relayed his appreciation for the council and 4th degree support of Father Thorne's memorial service. Father Thorne's Passionate order has given the Parish his chalice that will be used to celebrate the daily mass. Discussed the Archdiocese Capital Campaign, identified some level of discontent to include the funding of a priest retirement facility. Provide rationale for this project to provide the support to our priests as they reach their more senior years. Requested the council's support of the Capitol Campaign and his willingness to discuss concerns.
- **Grand Knight's Report (Brother Edd Hingula):** Grand Knight discussed the State Convention. Provided 3 copies of the Convention Reports of Committees, noted next convention would be 2-5 May in Manhattan, KS; discussed on line membership and provided handout; council poster contest winners did not win at state; the scrap book submission (Neal Hanley – Veterans recognition at Mt. Calvary Cemetery) was submitted by the state to supreme and resulted in the council winning the State Community Service Award; council provided state the \$500 Pennies from Heaven donation and our \$730 Assessment. Grand Knight provided the following awards:
 - Don Madill – Family of the Month
 - Dennis Huffman – April Knight of the Month
 - John Twohig – May Knight of the Month
 - George Harris – 5 years of Service certificate
 - Robert Martz – 65 years of Service certificate
- **Receipts of Treasurer to financial Secretary and Treasurer's Vouchers of Deposit:** Received \$249 that included a \$50 donation to the council from Brother Dave Drake (former council member) in honor of Brother Robert Martz 65 years of service.
- **Bills and Communications: Council discussed the following:**
 - Thank you note from Birth Right for \$500 donation.
 - Thank you notes from George Rhoades, Will Sutherland and Geoffrey Calvert for the councils RSVP support.
 - Notification by American Family Insurance reference our liability policy.
- **Membership Director (Brother Bob Hall):** Nothing to Report
- **Report of Auditors and Trustees:** Nothing New to Report.
- **Report of Admissions Committee and Reading of Applications for Membership:** Council Unanimously accepted the following transfer: Van a. Nine from Council 900. He lives in Lansing KS.
- **1st Degree Ceremonial:** Prior to the monthly meeting the council conducted a 1st Degree Ceremonial for the following new members: Gary Jones, Steven Mortell and Kyle Milleret.
- **Report of the 4th Degree (Brother Bob Hall):** The next meeting is Thursday, 17 May at Council 900 hall in Leavenworth. Annual elections will be held.
- **Program Director (Brother Dennis Huffman):** Nothing New to Report.
- **Church Director (Brother Jim Cunningham):** Announced that the monthly Pro-Life Rosary and Corporate Communion would be held on Sunday 3 June. Sign-up sheet was passed around. Contact Jim if you want to volunteer.

- **Community Director (Brother Tom Young):** Requested dates for Tootsie Roll drive so Dillon's and other prime locations can be reserved early.
- **Council Director (Brother Russell Craft):** **Brother Craft.** Council unanimously selected **Brother Terry Yoakum** Knight of the Month for June for his support of Corporate Communion ministries, mowing of Parish grounds, and other parish and council activities.
- **Culture of Life Director (Brother Brad Cox and his wife Mary):** Nothing to Report.
- **Family Director (Brother Jim Fricke):** Council unanimously selected **Brother Neal Hanley family** as Family of the Month for June in recognition of their family efforts to support the council, parish and local community to include Council Scrap Book submission that won at state, support to parish fundraising committee, families support to children ministry, Leavenworth Human society and other parish ministries.
- **Youth Director (Brother Todd Giefer):** Nothing New to Report.
- **Chancellor (Brother Myron Reineke):** Nothing to Report
- **Report of Auditors and Trustees:** Nothing to Report
- **Report of Standing Committees:** Nothing to Report

Old & New Business:

- Council Elections: Council unanimously confirmed the following leadership positions:
 - Grand Knight: Edd Hingula
 - Deputy Grand Knight: Mike McCoy
 - Chancellor: Myron Reineke
 - Recorder: John Twohig
 - Treasure: Don Studnicka
 - Advocate: Russell Kraft
 - Warden: Don Portice
 - Inside Guard: Jack French
 - Outside Guard: Mike Keohane
 - Trustee 3rd Year: Dennis Huffman
 - Trustee 2nd Year: Gates Brown
 - Trustee 1st Year: Duane Tunnik
- Confirmed the following Appointees:
 - Financial Secretary: Jim Scherer
 - Lecture: Dan Ladd

- Chaplain: Father Bill McAvoy

- **Brother Dennis Huffman** discussed a request for financial support for the support of a Junior American Legion Team – Leavenworth American Legion. After lengthy discussion, council passed a motion (12 to 8) to provide \$250 gift to the effort. Council Financial Secretary noted that council could not be considered a sponsor of team. Concern was raised of starting a precedence in this area.
- **Field Agent Report (Brother Dave Soukup):** Briefly discussed the state convention, noted the following: there are over 38,200 Knights within the state of Kansas, in 261 councils, supported 93 seminarians and 44 other religious with over \$261,000; raised over \$99,000 for religious education programs; had over 2,200 competitors in the annual free throw contest; raised over \$364,000 for intellectually handicapped in the annual tootsie roll drive; and over \$430,000 for Culture for Life. He also discussed the online membership that creates non degree members and enables Field Agents to engage them as part of insurance program and encourage them to join a council.
- **District Deputy Update (Brother Gates Brown):** Brother Gates Brown discussed the state convention:
 - Provided the council certificates for Pennies from Heaven, Culture of Life, and tootsie roll programs.
 - Congratulated the newest members of the council from the 1st degree ceremony
 - Identified Brother Neal Hanley as District Knight of the Year and the Jim Fricke Family and District Family of the Year.
- **Knights sick or in distress:** Council said prayers for Brother Gene Young, Edd Hingula's Brother Tom (deceased) and Dave Studnicka (Don's son) suffering from MS.
- **Good of the Order: Brother Dan Ladd** Dan Ladd encouraged council members to stay active and reach out to our political leaders to protect our children without jeopardizing our second amendment's rights.

Special request - Please remember to send you photos and captions of Knights in Action to Groggtwo@aol.com

Knights in Action

Special Report

Please take time to review the special article of Father Carol Thorne as an additional attachment to this month's news letter email.



June Knight of the Month



Brother Terry Yoakum recognized for his support to the ministries at the Corporate Communion and support to maintenance of the parish grounds.

June Family of the Month



Brother Neal, Diana and Mary Hanley recognized for their support to parish fund-raising committee, support to children ministry, Leavenworth Human society and parish ministries. Also Neal's Veterans recognition program at Mount Calvary Cemetery won at the State level and is not competing at Supreme.



Our Grand Knight and Brother Dave Young welcome our newest council members: Brother Gary Jones, Kyle Milleret and Steven Mortell. Congratulations and Welcome to the Council.

**Corporate Communion & Pro-Life Rosary
– Recognizing 65 Years of Dedicated
Service by Sir Robert Martz**



Sir Robert is recognized by his fellow Knights and members of the Parish for his 65 years of continuous and dedicated service.



Brother Myron Reineke. It is only appropriate that there is a sketch of Robert offering praise in the background.



Over 30 Members of our council, 4th Degrees from Assembly 293 and the Basehor Assembly participated in the Corporate Communion in honor of Sir Robert.



Mary Teresa and Don Madill join Robert at the Pro-Life Rosary led by:



Sir Robert received multiple awards and gifts: Recognition from Supreme, 4th Degree, our Council and the parish. To include:

Council Receives Multiple Awards at the State Convention



A Robert Martz Photo Album, presented by Jeanne Im, Knights of Columbus Hat and . . .

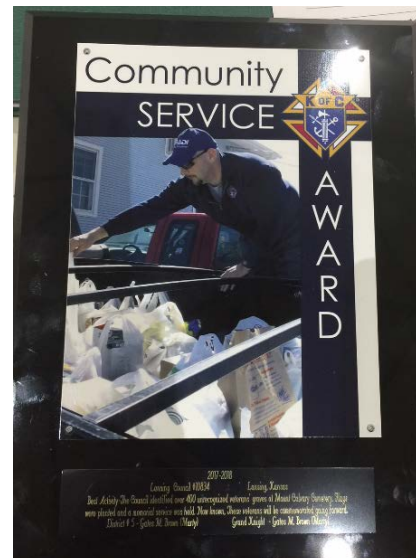


Our Grand Knight Edd Hingula receives three certificates for the council from the state convention presented by District Deputy Brother Gates Brown: Pennies from Heaven, Culture of Life, and Tootsie Roll programs.

Best Activity Award - State



a cake to share with the parish.



Brother Neal's efforts resulted in the council receiving the Best Activity and is now entered at the Supreme level.

District Knight and Family of the Year Fraternal Year 2017-2018



District Deputy Gates Brown recognizes Brother Neal as District Knight of the Year.



Brother Dennis Huffman April Knight of the Month



Additionally, Brother Jim and Jeannette Fricke completed a clean sweep by being selected District Family of the year.



Brother Don Madill – Family of the Month

Individual Knight Recognitions



Sir Robert Martz 65 Years of Service



Brother George Harris – 5 year certificate



**Brother John Twohig May Knight of
the Month**
Around the Parish



**The Knights of Columbus grounds crew of
Brothers Russell Craft, Jim Cunningham
and Bill Butler after another day of keep-
ing our parish grounds neat and trim.**



**A great day for the Brown Family, Brother
Gates and his wife Marty prepare to cele-
brate Anna's first communion along with
her brother Garrison.**



*Thanks to all for being a Knight of Columbus and
Keep doing good.*

Brother John Twohig

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