



**Lansing Knights of Columbus
Council 10834
Monthly Newsletter
May 2017**

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**Meeting conducted by the Grand Knight
on Wednesday, April 12th, 2017; over 26
Brothers attended the meeting.**

Meetings and Events

- **Pro-Life Rosary & Corporate Communion: 7:30 a.m. Sunday, 7 May, 2017.**
- **Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, 10 May 2017 at 7:30 p.m.**
- **MAJOR DEGREES: Go to <http://www.kansas-kofc.org> and click on the calendar for detailed information.**

Reminder from previous Newsletter

- Capital Campaign Pledge: Please consider renewing your pledge. 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. Parish has established a similar program with Dillon's.

Knight of the Month (April 2017)

Brother Tom Novak

Family of the Month (April 2017)

Brother Bill Butler Family

Membership: Current membership:

- o 157 Members
- o 79 Associate Members
- o 71 Insurance Members
- o 7 Inactive Insurance

Note: 5 suspensions from previous month



Grand Knight Message: Brother Knights, I hope that everyone had a happy Easter. Of course, Spring is here now and that means Spring

cleaning. One of the things that we discussed in March was the idea of helping some local folks out with some minor home repairs. I will have more information in May but the city of Leavenworth is organizing this project and they are wanting to help elderly people who have little income or are disabled. I think this is a great opportunity to help those who need it. **Brother Gates Brown**



Chaplain's Corner: The Fifth Station

Every so often we need to be reminded of the basics. For example, putting real effort in not speaking ill of others. I think we should all try to be more mindful of this. Pope Francis speaks very strongly against gossip. He called gossip a "slap" to Jesus. "Those who live judging their neighbor, speaking ill of their neighbor, are hypocrites, because they lack the strength and the courage to look to their own shortcomings," the Holy Father said.

I remember that the great bishop St.

Augustine had a sign on the wall near the dining room table, where he would share meal with his priests. The sign read; "If you speak ill of your brother here, you are not welcome at this table." There is nothing that tears down brotherhood more than uncharitable and even malicious judgments. Pope Francis said, "Our tongues are meant to praise God, not to speak negatively about members of His Body."

Let's all pray that this Easter's special grace will inspire us to be more charitable and positive toward each other. In this way, we will Live Jesus and live up to the dignity that is ours as Knights of Columbus.

**Fraternally,
Father Bill**



**Field Agent Report: A
Founding Notion - Protect-
ing the Breadwinner's In-
come**

We Stand Strong On Ethical Ground

Some people believe that ethics in business is a contradiction in terms. They think that in order to be profitable, a company and its leaders must abandon morality and embrace the dark, greedy side that they see so often in the news and in movies.

At the Knights of Columbus, we know this isn't true. A business can be both ethical and successful. We are.

As a Catholic organization, we understand the value and importance of our core beliefs and the original mission of Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney. In fact, much of the strength and financial security we provide to members and their families can be attributed to our ethical, moral standards.

More than 96 percent of Knights who buy our life insurance keep it, year in and year out. The Order takes this commitment to our members very seriously. This means carefully planning when it comes time to invest.

Our professional staff researches all transactions to insure that they fall in line with Catholic values. If a transaction makes them uncomfortable, they don't make it.

"We exclude any company engaged in activity that conflicts with Catholic moral teaching: companies directly involved in abortion, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for-profit health care that pays for any of these, or pornography," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. "There are many companies in the pharmaceutical and communications industries that would undoubtedly provide excellent returns for us, but which are not in our portfolio because they engage in research and development or programming in ways that violate the sanctity or dignity of human life."

In the end, the Knights of Columbus investment strategy is motivated by morality, not money. Yet, each year we remain profitable, increase our assets and stay dedicated to this vision that will keep the Order financially sound for generations to come.

But don't just take our word for it. In 2016 the Knights of Columbus was named a "World's Most Ethical Company" by the Ethisphere Institute for the third year in a row. We were one of only two life insurance companies to earn the honor.

"Faithful Catholics have choices when buying life insurance," said the Supreme Knight. "But they know that at the Knights of Columbus their policy is supplied by an insurer that shares their moral and ethical values and is guided in all of its investment and sales practices by those values."

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Council Meeting Highlights

- **Treasures Report (Brother Don Studnicka):** Provided detailed accounting for council funds from a treasures perspective.
- **Financial Secretary's Report of Receipts of Meeting (Brother Jim Scherer):** Provided detailed report on membership, notifications to suspend, dues status and a breakdown of funds in each of our accounts. With a final balance of \$17,624.80. **Brother Scherer** continues to work suspensions and intent to suspend for those delinquent members who showed no intent to remain in the council.
- **Grand Knight's Report:** Relayed that he had presented Special Needs Advocacy Program a check from the Tootsie Roll effort. Awarded the following certificates:
 - Family of the Month for April 2017 **Brother Jacob Gillen Family**
 - 25 Year Certificate and Honorary Life Membership to **Brothers Dave Young, Bob Riese, Robert Wagner**
 - 25 Year Certificate **Brothers Steve Brodersen, Daniel Gilligan, Cary Glynn, Joe Rovero.**
- **Correspondence:** Council received
 - Invitation to celebration of the Mass by the newly ordained **Rev Daniel Coronado Arguedas and Rev Michael Guastello** to the Priest Hood on Saturday 27 May, 2017 at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. Peter, Kansas City Kansas. Their First Mass of thanksgiving
 - Rev Coronado: Sunday, May 28, 10 AM Good Shepherd Shawnee KS.
 - Rev Michael Guastello, May 28, at 11 AM, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Shawnee KS.
- Thank you letter from **Seminarian James Coruum**
- Thank you note and Receipt from our \$500 donation to Greenway Auction..
- **Membership Director (Brother Bob Hall):** Council approved accepting a new member **Richard Dremel**. **Brother Bob Hall** recommended conducting a 1st Degree Ceremony on July 8, 2017.
- **Report of Admissions Committee and Reading of Applications for Membership:** Nothing new to report
- **Report of the 4th Degree (Brother Bob Hall):** Contact **Brother Bob Hall** if you want to attend an upcoming 4th Degree Exemplification.
- **Program Director (Brother Dennis Huffman):** Nothing to Report
- **Church Director (Brother Jim Cunningham):** Announced that next Pro-Life Rosary and Corporate Communion would be held on 7 May and passed around the signup sheet. He thanked **Brother Terry Yoakum** for the mowing of the church grounds. Announced that he is putting together a team to repair the wooden bridge and highlighted the significant work done on the rectory by a team lead by **Brother Tom Nowak** that included siding, windows, deck, new tub and painting.
- **Community Director (Brother Tom**

Young): Nothing to Report

- **Council Director (Brother Jim Scherer):** Council unanimously selected **Brother Tom Novak** as Knight of the Month for the month of May based on his leading the team to restoring/repair of the rectory as well as his support to parish ministries.
- **Culture of Life Director (Brother Eugene Young):** Nothing to Report
- **Family Director (Brother Jim Fricke):** Council unanimously selected **Brother Bill Butler Family** as the Family of the Month for April for their continued support to parish committees, parish ministries, bingo, Ministry appreciation dinner, Thursday community meal and all Knight's of Columbus activities.
- **Youth Director (Brother Bill Butler):** Nothing new to report.
- **Chancellor (Brother Thad Brzustowicz):** Nothing to Report
- **Report of Auditors and Trustees:** Nothing to Report
- **Report of Standing Committees:** **Brother Dennis Huffman** discussed the fund raiser in the fall. It will no longer be Halloween Party but a Tasting Fair / silent auction Fund Raiser tentatively scheduled for 14 Oct 2017. Asked everyone to help with auction items..

Old & New Business:

- **Brother Jake Gillen** still needs the projector & adapter to allow use of digital

media and IPAD to support the youth group education program.

- Identified the need for a past Grand Knight pin for the outgoing Grand Knight
- Identified the need for an additional delegate for the state convention **Brothers Edd Hingula and Gates Brown** will be primary with **Brothers Ernie Petite and James Scherer** as alternates.
- Council unanimously passed a motion to add \$40 to augment the Pennies from Heaven fund to raise the donation to \$500.
- Council unanimously passed a motion to issue a blank check to cover the per capita assessment to Supreme.
- The May monthly meeting will be elections, Grand Knight provided a list of candidates.

CANDIDATES

Elected	
Office	Name
Grand Knight	Edd Hingula
Deputy Grand Knight	Mike McCoy
Chancellor	Myron Reinke
Recorder	John Twohig
Treasurer	Don Studnicka
Advocate	Russel Craft
Warden	Don Portice
Inside Guard	Jack French
Outside Guard	Mike Keohane
Trustee 1 year	Duane Tunik
Trustee 2 year	Dennis Huffman
Trustee 3 year	Gates Brown
Appointed	
Office	Name
Chaplain	Father William McAvoy
Program Director	Dennis Huffman
Church Director	Jim Cunningham
Vocations Director	Neal Hanley
Community Director	Jim Fricke
Culture of Life Director	Brad Cox
Health Services	Mike Cohain
Council Director	Jim Scherer
Public Relations	John Twohig
Family Director	Jim Fricke
Youth Director	Jake and Todd Gilen
Membership Director	Bob Hall
Retention Chair	Deputy Grand Knight
Lecturer	TBD

Knights in Action

- **District Deputy Update: Brother Greg Beck:** Reported that all our council poster contest winners also won at district and were forwarded to State for consideration. Additionally, our **Knight of the Year (Brother Twohig) and Family of the Year (Brother Gates Brown Family)** were selected as district winners and were forwarded on to State for consideration. State convention is 5-7 May in Topeka and need to identify our delegates.
- **Field Agent Report:** Relayed a story about a new church member who commented on how active our Knights of Columbus are within the Parish. He will discuss with the individual about transferring into our council.
- **Prayer for Knights in Distress:** Council members said prayers for a family in distress.
- **Good of the Order:** Council Lecture **Brother Edd Hingula** encourage all to take up our cross to provide our time and talents to the parish and local community.

Pro-Life Rosary & Corporate Communion



Brother Mike Keohane leads the Monthly Pro-Life Rosary.



Over 30 Knight and family members participated in the Pro-Life Rosary



Fr. Bill leads the Knights in a pre-Corporate Communion prayer prior to process in for the start of Mass.



The dynamic duo of **Brothers Edd Hingula and Jim Scherer** perform lector duties.



Over 26 fellow Knights of Columbus were in attendance.



“SFDS Runs on Donuts”

SFDS Appreciation Dinner



A highlight was the attendance of Sir Robert Martz and Sir Walter Bogard. Walter is accompanied by his wife Yoshiko. Brother Mike Keohane congratulates these senior Knights.



Great turn-out. **Ruth and Brother Bill Butler** lead the parish team that provided an elegant feast.

Training Altar Servers



Brother Ernie Petite begins training the new recruits.



Setting the Altar without spilling the wine is always a challenge.

Leading the Way St. Patrick's Day Parade



Brother Bob Hall leading the formation of 4th Degree Knights



Standing tall and looking good; 4th degree Knights from Assembly 293 and Basehor Assembly.

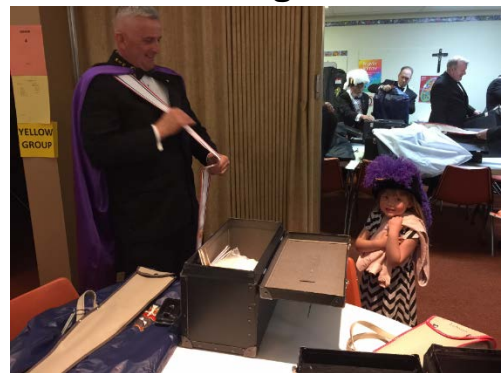


Who is that Knight behind those Foster Grants & carrying the American Flag. Grand Knight is looking good (white cape on left).



How do 4th degree Knights relax after the long march? Brothers Mike, Bob and Ed² enjoying a cold drink and corned beef/cabbage dinner.

A secret 4th degree admirer



Dellaney tries on Brother Bob's Purple Chapeaux

Brother John Twohig

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