



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

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**Meeting conducted by the Grand Knight
on Wednesday, June 14th, 2017; over 18
Brothers attended the meeting.**

Meetings and Events

- **Pro-Life Rosary & Corporate Communion: 7:30 a.m. Sunday, 9 July, 2017.**
- **Next Council Meeting: Wednesday, 12 July 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 (July 2017)
Brother Neal Hanley**

**Family of the Month (July 2017)
Brother Don Portice**

Membership: Current membership:

- o 157 Members
- o 79 Associate Members
- o 72 Insurance Members
- o 6 Inactive Insurance



Grand Knight Message: Brother Knights, first thank you for allowing me to serve as Grand Knight. It was humbling to be able to see all that you do for the parish, the Church, and our community. Although we never see the impact of many of our contributions and donations, I do not want you to forget how important they are. When I presented the Tootsie Roll check to the Special Needs Advocacy Program (SNAP), I had a chance to discuss how our support helps them. One of the things that they do is provide monthly entertainment for individuals with special needs who are not served by other programs. They support individuals who age out of the school system as well as younger individuals who need their support. Although watching a movie can seem like a trivial experience, SNAP allows these individuals to create friendships and build social bonds with others who share their experience. It is difficult for individuals with special needs to meet others, depending on the nature of their disability. SNAP, which your efforts help support, gives them a chance to meet others and have a fuller life. Many of the things that we do can seem small. If you hand out Tootsie Rolls for

one hour it can seem as if your contribution would not be missed. However, because we have so many Knights who can give small amounts of time or money, we can have a huge impact. As I close out my time as Grand Knight, I appreciate your efforts and encourage you to invite someone who is not a Knight to become one. Many hands make light work and think of how much more we could accomplish if we invited more brothers to give.

Brother Gates Brown
Grand Knight.



Chaplain's Corner: Every time I drive by my childhood home on Kiowa Street, my mind is flooded with so many memories of summertime. Especially my exasperates mother's order: "*Go outside and play!*"

And that I did. Until after sundown. I bet I spent half my childhood outdoors!

It is a scientific fact that, these days, we are vitamin D deficient. Vitamin D is the "Sunshine Vitamin," and the best way to get this steroid vitamin is via sunlight through the skin. (Of course, too much sunlight can burn— so like in all things, moderation).

So get outside this summer. Go for a walk. Use the Angel Falls walk path just east of the church. You'll benefit in many ways: light makes people happier, people heal quicker, and people outside tend to get more exercise.

Summer goes by fast, so don't waste it. Make it a goal, as a family, to enjoy God's creation more and more.

Fraternally,
Father Bill



Field Agent Report: Long-Term Care Plans Offer Peace of Mind.

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care (LTC) insurance has provided the Knights of Columbus with an excellent opportunity to further serve members and their families. And, for our long-term care policy holders in the United States, there's an added bonus.

It's called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network includes discounts on products, such as hearing aids, diabetic supplies, personal emergency response systems, and durable medical equipment, as well as skilled nursing facilities, assisted living, and adult day care.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long-term care insurance policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law. All providers are fully accredited and meet state licensing requirements.

If you haven't yet spoken with me about long-term care insurance, you owe it to yourself to do so. There are a few decisions to make in choosing a "plan" — a comprehensive plan that covers care whether you're at home or in a facility, or one that covers facility only; daily benefit amounts and benefit durations (how much and how long it will last); and the length of the elimination period (waiting period) before benefits kick-in.

Having a professionally trained agent — and a brother Knight you can trust — to help guide you through the process is yet another

valuable benefit that comes with your membership. Take advantage of it; contact me today.

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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 \$15,481.27.
- **Grand Knight's Report:** Brother Gates Brown relayed the great privilege of being the council's Grand Knight, wished Brother Edd Hingula well as the incoming Grand Knight, looks forward to continuing as an active member of the council and as Trustee.
- **Correspondence: None**
- **Membership Director (Brother Bob Hall):** Nothing new to report
- **Report of Admissions Committee and Reading of Applications for Membership:** Nothing new to report
- **Report of the 4th Degree (Brother Bob Hall):** Brother Bob Hall reminded 4th Degree members of the 7 PM social on June 15 at IHOP.
- **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 9 July (the second Sunday of the month) and passed around the sign-up sheet.
- **Community Director (Brother Tom Young):** Nothing to Report
- **Council Director (Brother Jim Scherer):** Council unanimously selected **Brother Neal Hanley** as Knight of the Month for July based on his leading the effort over Memorial Day to place flags on over 400 veteran's graves in Mount Cavalry Cemetery. Additionally recognized for his continued support to Parish and Council activities. *Question: How many Knights of Columbus does it take to place over 400 flags on veterans' graves? (See Knights in Action)*
- **Culture of Life Director (Brother Eugene Young):** Nothing to Report
- **Family Director (Brother Jim Fricke):** Council unanimously selected **Brother Don Portice Family** as the Family of the Month for July based on their strong support to Leavenworth Catholic Schools, fund raisers, parish ministries and Thursday community meal.
- **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:** Nothing to Report

Old & New Business:

- **Brother Keohane** provided handouts for the Closed Pod Biohazard planning.
- **District Deputy Update:** Nothing to Report
- **Prayer for Knights in Distress:** Council members said prayers for three individuals (who were relatives of council members) in distress.
- **Good of the Order:** Council Lecture **Brother Edd Hingula** thanks the Grand Knight for his service, told the council to keep doing good, and looks forward to serving the council as the Grand Knight.

Knights in Action

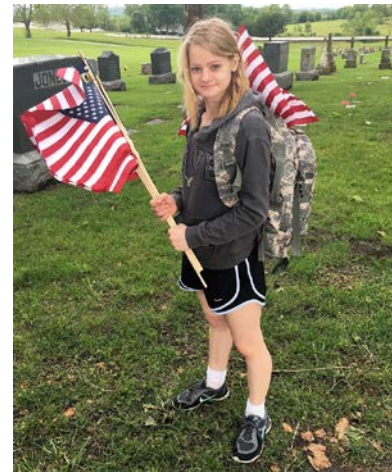
Remembering Veterans on Memorial Day

How many Knights does it take to place flags on over 400 veterans' graves at Mount Calvary Cemetery?

Answer: One Marine Veteran supported by . . .



. . . a motivated Junior ROTC Cadet from Leavenworth High School.



Special thanks to Brother Neal Hanley and Ms Abby Olsen from Leavenworth High School JROTC Raiders. They spent a morning ensuring that over 400 veterans' graves were properly marked on Memorial Day. Goal is to reinforce Neal with additional Knights of Columbus support on Veterans Day, Saturday November 11th, mark your calendars.

“Bridge Repair”



A group of five rehapped the bridge to Angle Falls trail on 22 May. Pictured are **Brothers Richard Drimmel, Wayne Boman, Dave Young and Russell Craft**. As always, **Brother Jim Cunningham** is behind the camera.



Brother Dave admiring their handy work and load testing the bridge. Consensus “we done real good” and Dave fully stressed the bridge.

Knight of the Month



Brother Neal Hanley

Family of the Month



Brother Don Portice Family

Council Leadership



Grand Knight Gates Brown and the Grand Knight “Elect” **Brother Edd Hingula** at the conclusion of the June business meeting. Gates “Job Well Done.”

Special thanks to Brother Bill for performing the Recorder duties at the June Business Meeting and for Brothers Neal, Edd, Jim, Bill and Pete contribution of photo's for this edition.

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

Brother John Twohig

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