



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights:

We welcomed four new Knights Nick Collins, John Danko Jr., Kurt Denner, Patrick O'Brien and a new transfer Tom Libhardt to the Council in March. Congratulations and welcome aboard! We also had the honor of meeting Father Timothy, a newly assigned Priest from Christ Our King join us for the Council meeting.

We have had a number of successful events in March with more planned for April. The Council's High School Scholarship has been established and we look forward to our first recipient. Thanks to Joey Keller for doing the heavy lifting on behalf of the Council to coordinate all the arrangements.

We will be sponsoring a public speaking contest for students at COK/SM School. Thanks to Will Simons as well as Kevin and Don Campbell for coordinating the contest.

On Palm Sunday the Council will sponsor a Walk with a large Cross through town. Thanks to Tom Sloggett for building the cross. This will be an excellent opportunity to provide a public demonstration of our Catholic Faith. Look for emails with more details.

On behalf of the Officers I extend warm wishes for a Joyous Easter to our Knights and their families.

Kevin M. Cunnane
Grand Knight
Attorney/ Mediator

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

Golf Tournament _____	01
Wild Dunes Harbor Course	
Sign-in: 10:30 AM Shotgun start: 12:00 Noon	
Officers Meeting _____	04
Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	04
Stella Maris—8 PM to 8 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	05
COK — 7:30 to 5:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	06
COK — 7:30 AM	
Formation 2nd Degree _____	06
St. Mary's 317 Broad St. Georgetown 29440	
Registration 9:45a to 10:15a Deg. Starts 10:30a	
Men's Retreat _____	06
Mepkin Abbey - contact Bill Kundering	
843-789-9170. To carpool, meet at Harris Teeter	
on Hyw. 41 No later than 6:30 AM April 6th.	
Soup and Sandwiches _____	10
At Stella Maris Stations start 6:15 PM	
Drop off Soup or Sandwich before at Hall	
Speech contest _____	11
Christ Our King 7th & 8th graders	
Grace Hall Time-TBA	
Knighthood 3rd Degree _____	13
St. Mary's 317 Broad St. Georgetown 29440	
Registration 9:15a to 10:15a Deg. Starts 10:30a	
Cross Procession _____	14
Start in Baskin Robbins parking lot 280 W	
Coleman Blvd. 2 PM to COK Church	
Regular Business Meeting _____	18
St. Benedict' Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trail 29466	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Easter Sunday _____	21
State Convention _____	26, 27 & 28
45 West Orchard Park Drive	
Greenville, SC 29615	



Knights of Columbus



A Catholic Fraternal Organization Dedicated to
Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.



KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Council 9475

In cooperation with Toastmasters International

Speech Contest 2019

Open to 7th and 8th grades at COKSM School and Catholic home school students

Topic of talk: Any Catholic faith topic (With teacher approval)

Prizes: 1st Place: \$125; 2nd Place: \$75; 3rd Place \$50;

Contest & Judging: Thursday April 11th Time: 8:30 AM

Location: Grace Hall

The ability to speak publicly with ease and eloquence is something that will benefit you throughout your entire life. Having the talent to captivate your audience bringing about interest, emotion, and laughter is the skill of an accomplished speaker. Having such an ability will open doors for you and take you places that you would otherwise never reach. Take a step up to the microphone because you have something to say that matters and world is waiting to hear what that is.

Online look into: [Toastmasters International Public Speaking Tips](#)

[Toastmasters International Contest Videos](#)

**Family of the Month
March 2019
Tom M. and Regina Franzone**

Tom and Regina have been married for 2 1/2 years. They have 4 children together, Coleman, Caroline, Maddie and Alex.

Tom is originally from Wilmington Delaware move to Mt. Pleasant when he was 9 years old in 1981 and Regina left her home state of New York in 1994 to join the US Navy. She then moved to South Carolina in 2001.

Tom works for Roper Mount Pleasant Hospital Plant Operations and Regina works as a Civilian for SPAWAR on Joint Base Charleston.

Tom and Regina live in Park West Abby neighborhood and are members of Christ Our King parish.

Tom has been a Knight of Columbus since 1989 and received his 4th Degree in 1995. Tom has held many positions for Council 9475 including Inside Guard, Outside Guard and Warden. Tom has also been very active in the Council's Annual Oyster Roast Fund Raiser. Tom also Altar serves at 7:30 AM Mass in rotation monthly at Christ Our King Church.

Tom and Regina enjoy boating, fishing, football, family and friends.

Congratulations Tom and Regina!!!



Above is a picture of the Family of the Month left to right children Alex, Maddie, Caroline, and Coleman. Top Regina and Tom they are on the Harbor with the beautiful Ravenel Bridge background.

**Knight of the Month
March 2019
Tom Sloggett**

- Tom has been a Knight for a long time and has been slowed down lately by degraded hearing and prospect of moving
- Ruth has become his ears when needed and they compensate for each when needed
- Tom is deserving of very special recognition for his efforts to build a replica Cross that we will carry on a Knights pilgrimage
- Our procession will take place on Palm Sunday and will cover 2.6 mile and will be followed by rosary in the Christ our King alter yard
- His wood working skills made this possible and it may become a new Knight's tradition

Congratulation Tom!!!



Above left Don Campbell Council Director presenting Tom Sloggett with Knights cup and Grand Knight Kevin Cunnane is presenting knight of the Month Certificate.



Above left is Don Campbell and right Tom Sloggett holding his Knight of the Month write-up standing behind Cross Tom made that will be carried in our Cross Procession from Baskin-Robbin to Christ Our King Church

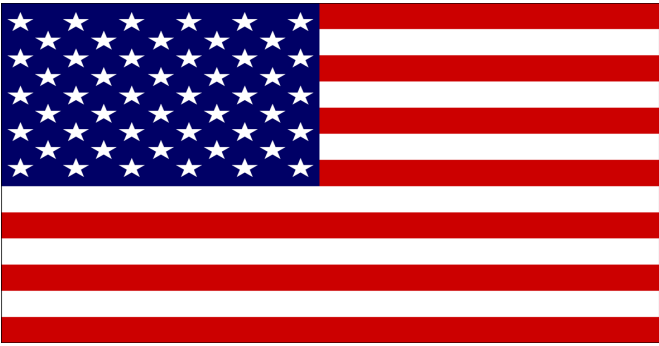
4th Degree Patriotic Committee

The 4th Degree Patriotic Committee requests Veteran's names to be nominated for consideration to receive an Encased American Flag.

All nominees :

- 1) Must be honorably discharged;
- 2) Must be a practicing Catholic within one of the four parishes East of the Cooper River;
- 3) Must be retired from one of the U S Armed Forces or had received an award during his or her service. (Nominee is not required to be a Knight).

Contact Joe Scheirman, PFN
with recommendation at joe.scheirman@att.net



Form #100 Belongs in All of These Places

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!

**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**



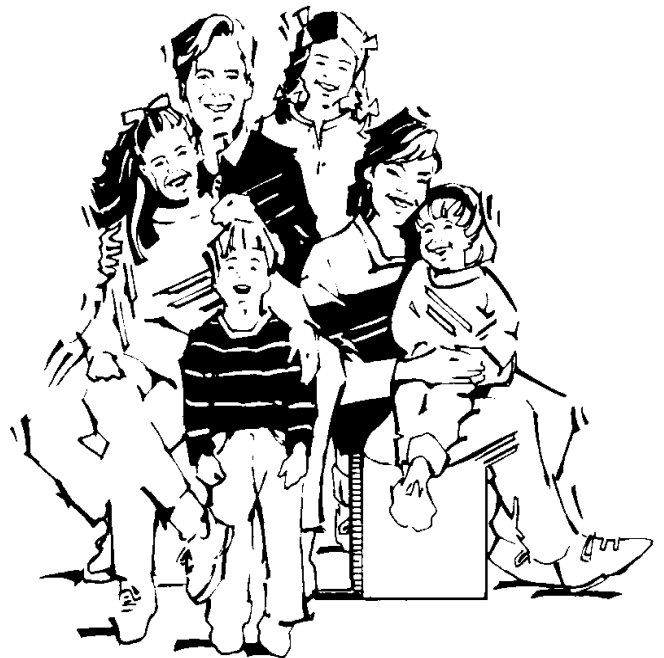
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*William Brumley
Benjamin Byrnes
Philip Chuy
John DankoIII*

*Michael Fabrizio
Edward Forte'
Terry Johnson
Richard Karkowski
Mark Lipsmeyer
Vincent Maroun
Sean O'Toole
Randolph Pierce
Michael Ricciardone
Francis Sanderell
Richard Schiliro*

*Francis Sherman
John Tumminelli
John Watson
Nicholas Zimmerman*



FAMILY FIRST

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
MAY 2019

Officers Meeting _____	02
COK —Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	02
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Men's Hike _____	2 -5
Additional Info to come John DankoIII	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	03
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	04
COK — 7:30 AM	
Mother's Day _____	12
Regular Business Meeting _____	16
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
Memorial Day _____	18
Ascension of the Lord _____	30

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

James and Connie Ball
Richard and Diana Buchicchio
James and Janice Cafaro
Ash and Suzanne Chisholm
Nick and Sally Collins
Kurt and Mary Denner

John and Jennifer Devaney
Steve and Cathy Evangelista
Joseph and Francesca Frick
Jady and Kathleen Fryml
Thomas and Regina Gwiazdowski
Terry and Susan Johnson
Michael and Erika Kennedy
Thomas and Linda Jane Kenzik
Ian and Christine Maurer

Joseph and Dorothy Palisi
Joseph and Susie Schill
Donald and Allyson Thatcher
Michael and Toni Vasko
Doug and Debbie Wilgus
Henry and Shirley Wolf



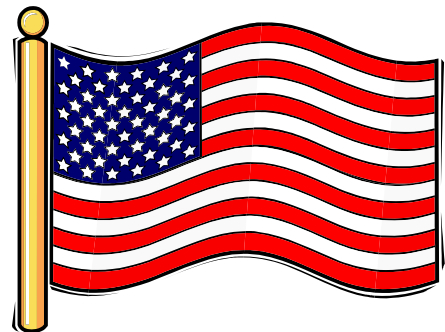
SPOUSE E-MAIL UPDATE:

Please send your spouse's first and last name with her E-mail address to Neil at ngwhitman@yahoo.com

If she is not receiving Newsletter or Knights information.

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GOD BLESS AMERICA

Meditation on Thanking God for all He Does for Us

Gen 8: 6-13, 20-22; Ps 116: 12-19; Mark 8: 22-26

Our Meditation reminds us of the need to be thankful to God for all the good things He does for us. Most of the time our prayers are either prayers of petition, where we want something from God, or they are prayers of intercession where we ask God to help somebody else, like when we ask God to help a family member or friend who is hurting in some way. All these prayers are welcomed by God, who loves to hear from us, but when our prayers are answered, do we take the time to thank Him? Do we take as much time praising Him for working out our problems as we do telling people about our problems to begin with? Do we give Him the credit for getting us out of our dilemmas or do we take the credit ourselves?

Genesis tells the story of Noah, his family, and all the creatures in the ark. It has finally stopped raining and Noah checks to see if the flood waters have receded. Noah was considered by God, at least at the time he entered the ark, to be a just man in an unjust world. He was right with God, blameless among his peers, walking with God. Earth had been overtaken by lawlessness. God had made the decision to destroy the Earth, or at least to finish the destruction that man had already started. God had distinguished Noah from the rest of the corrupt human race. Noah trusted God when God commanded him to build the ark, to gather the creatures, and to enter the ark as it started to rain. Now, Noah trusted God to eventually cause the flood waters to recede so there would be dry ground for Noah and his family to live on. He sent out a raven and then he sent out doves 3 times to check to see if the water had receded. When the third dove did not come back, Noah knew it was safe to leave the ark.

So what is the first thing he does after leaving the ark? Does he try to take credit for this great idea of building the ark to save his family from the flood? No...what he does is build an altar to God in thanksgiving for all God had done for him. He did not try to take the credit himself.

God made a promise to Noah that: "Never again will I doom the Earth..." For his part, Noah was to live a righteous life, a life obeying the 10 commandments. Unfortunately, as Paul Harvey used to say: "and now for the rest of the story": we are told later on in Genesis that Noah became a drunkard and had a falling out with one of his sons. (Gen 10:21-26).

This is a good lesson for us: no matter how good we live our lives, we can't give up. We can't stop trying to be righteous. We have to finish the race. The devil will always be lying in wait to help us fail.

Our Psalm continues the theme of thanking God: "To you, Lord, I will offer a sacrifice of praise." The Psalmist asks the question: "How can I repay the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" Of course we can't fully repay Him and He doesn't expect repayment. What we can do

is to take a moment to thank Him, to give Him the credit when others begin to praise us; to live our lives as He wants us to.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus heals a blind man. It takes a couple of times for the man to see clearly. This reminds us it sometimes takes a process for us to understand what God is trying to teach us. But the more important lesson comes from comparing how our blind man reacted to this miracle with how another blind man acted later on in Mark's Gospel. In Mk 10: 46-52, the other blind man was cured and then began following Jesus. He became a disciple of Jesus in thanksgiving for the miracle he received. What did the blind man do in Luke's Gospel? We are told "he went home". in other words, he did not follow Jesus. He did not become one of His disciples. It does not appear that he was thankful for this miracle in his life.

So what can we learn from our meditation?

- Jesus can perform miracles in our lives when we ask Him in faith.
 - It will be in His time and in His way, but when it happens, we need to be thankful.
- We should not take credit when the credit is God's.
- We need to persevere in living our lives to the end, never giving up.



Deacon Kevin Campbell