



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

My brother Knights and extended Knights of Columbus family:

I trust that your summer is going well and you are staying healthy.

Prior to our last council meeting we were able to exemplify two new Knights into the council. Please join me in welcoming Kevin Kerley, Shane Cherry and their families to Council 9475.

Let us together, work to put our faith into action by bringing more men into our Catholic band of brothers. If you know of any fellow parishioner who may be interested in learning more about the Knights, please talk with them, or direct them to the KofC website or to our membership team (Joe Harkins Sr, Kurt Denner and myself). Thank you. We are planning a fall parishes member recruitment drive, please watch for more information on dates/times and requests to help.

As we plan the budget and calendar for the 2022-23 Knights year, the officers and I are asking for your help in the creation of three new committees. First, a New Ideas Committee, who will be charged with coming up with new charitable and social events for the council. Second, we would like to bring back the Spaghetti dinner this fall. Lastly, we would like to start an annual fish fry during Lent. Please reach out to any officer if you would like to help with planning for any of these programs. **We need your help to be successful. Thank you in advance for volunteering for these or any other program. "Many hands make light work."**

Let me close with an excerpt from the Exemplification ceremony, Psalm 133:1, from the lesson on fraternity. *"How good and how pleasant it is when brothers dwell together as one!"* I very much hope to see you at upcoming council meeting, service event or social gathering. Please call and invite a brother who hasn't attended in a while. Or if you can, please bring another brother with you.

Pray for peace. Vivat Jesus.  
Matt Feltman

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUGUST 2022

Ultrya Meeting_____	02
Christ Our King Chapel 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	04
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Officers Meeting_____	04
COK—Life Center —6:30 PM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	05
COK — 7:30 AM to 6:30 AM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	06
COK — 7:30 AM	
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary_____	15
Holy Day of Obligation	
Regular Business Meeting_____	18
.St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
950 Darrell Creek Trial 29466	
Rosary: 6:00PM	
Dinner: 6:30PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
Prayer Visual at Abortion Facility_____	20
West Ashley Abortion Facility 8:00 AM	
(Corner of Hwy 61 & Fuseler Rd.)	
1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	



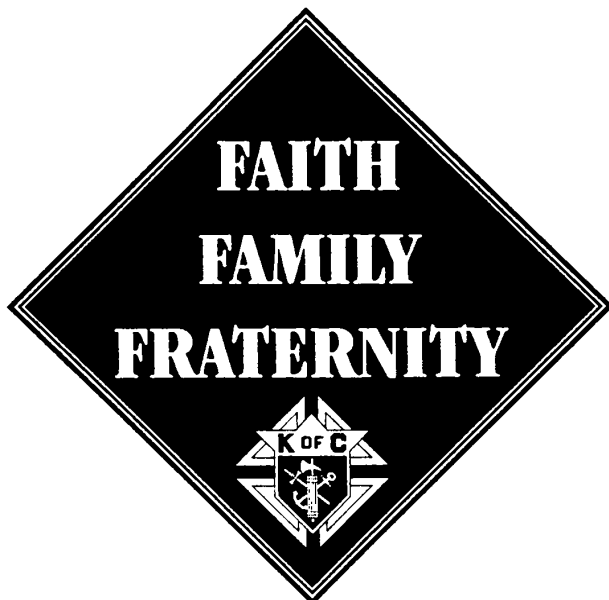
**EXEMPLIFICATION  
OF  
CHAIRTY, UNITY AND FRATERNITY**

The Exemplification was held before our Regular Meeting  
in Nave of St. Benedict's Church  
July 22,2022.



In the picture above are our two new Brother Knights.  
Left to right Kevin Kerley and Shane Cherry.

**Congratulations  
and  
Welcome to Council 9475**



**Knight of the Month  
July 2022  
Kurt Denner**

Kurt and Mary have been married for 36 years. They moved to Mount Pleasant five years ago, and have moved a total of eight times during their marriage. Their longest stay of 19 years was in Carmel, Indiana, which is where they raised their daughter, Amy.

Kurt is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones and Mary is a retired 1<sup>st</sup> grade and special education teacher. Before his current occupation, Kurt had a 30-year career in Corporate Finance. This expanded over seven different companies, most with International Operations. He started in accounting and progressed up to a CFO position. After they moved to Mount Pleasant, he decided to quit the corporate rat-race and joined Edward Jones, so he could run his own business.

Their daughter Amy and her husband Dan moved from Chicago, Illinois to Mount Pleasant in January 2021. She is a CRNA and works for Trident and Dan is the Quality Manager for Roper. Mary's mother also moved from Michigan in 2020 and is living with them.

Kurt and Mary love living in the Charleston area and feel like this is home now. They love to travel, explore the Lowcountry and support Christ Our King church. Kurt ushers at 7:30am Sunday mass at Christ Our King, is a 4<sup>th</sup> degree Knight and has served as Inside Guard for Council 9475. This year he is serving as Chancellor for our council and continues to serve as Family Director.

**Congratulations Kurt!!!**



Left Past Grand Knight and acting Family Director Joe Harkins presented Chancellor and Family Director Kurt Denner with Knight of the Month Certificate center, left is our Grand Knight Matt Feltman who presented Kurt with Knights cup.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

*Leo and Wendy Albano  
Joseph and Jerilyn Bandiera  
Richard and Jeannette Baummer  
Robert and Catherine Brennan  
Paul and Lve Cheverie  
Thomas and Elizabeth Cullen*

*Kevin and Deanna Cunnane  
John and Andrea Gallagher  
Robert and Danielle Geberth  
Patrick and Sarah Hunkler  
Chris and Janet Kerrigan  
Alfred and Dominique Lopez  
Martin and Helen McNulty  
Louis and Susan Milone*



*Patrick and Victoria O'Hara  
Michael and Pamela Rausa  
Jonathon and Beth Santilli  
Richard and Joan Schiliro  
Kenneth and Fay Schwallie  
Jim and Katy Sheehy  
Francis and Claire Sherman  
Warren Jr. and Kristin Tawes*

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

*Richard Baummer  
John Bride Jr.  
Anthony Certa  
Nick Collins  
Kevin Cunnane*

*Steven Deveau  
Mark Dickson  
Michael Eovino  
Rocco Falcone  
Jerry Gimbert  
Richard Happe  
Robert Humphrey  
Matthew Jensen  
Hugh McLoughlin  
Richard Morales*



*Peter Paloni  
Michael Rausa  
Stephen Roberts  
Adam Russo  
Joe Tarr*

**Council 9475 Presentation of Check to Special Olympics Children 7/25/22**



To give you full circle picture of funds raised and distributed. Here is a picture from Nov. 2021 when we had our Columbus Hope Tootsie Roll drive at Wal-Mart. In picture at that time are left to right Jerry Gimbert, Matt Feltman and Kurt Denner.

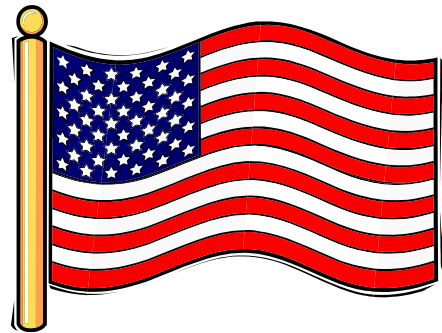
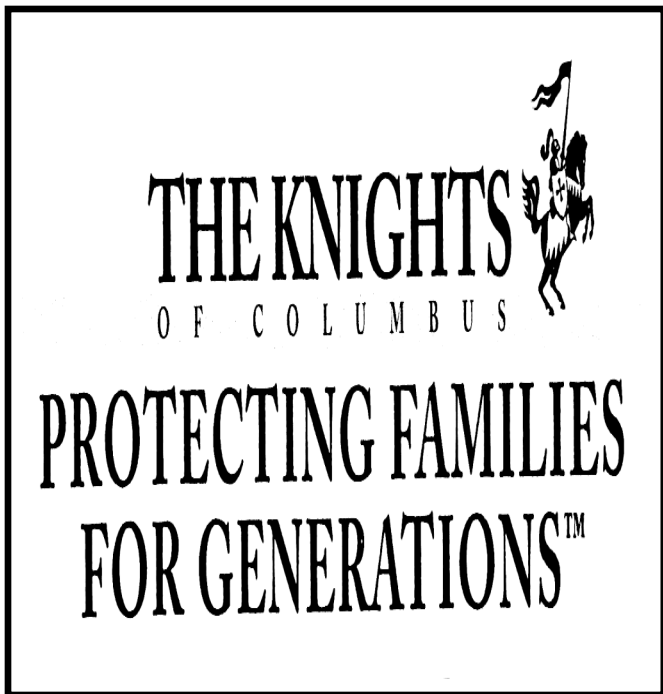
Above far right is our Community Director and Columbus Hope fund raiser chairman Bill Shoemaker who presented check to Shelly Davis Boesner Special Olympics Mt. Pleasant Coordinator standing far left holding check.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
SEPTEMBER 2022**

Officers Meeting_____	01
COK—Life Center —6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	01
Stella Maris — 8PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	02
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Pro-Life/Rosary_____	03
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Labor Day_____	05
Ultrya Meeting_____	06
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1312 Ashley River Rd., Charleston, SC 29407	

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Family Director	Kurt Denner	843-323-0981
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Youth Director	Mike Flato	843-973-1409
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**GOD BLESS AMERICA**

## Mediation for KOC on Grandparents' Day

**Gen18: 20-32; Ps 138:1-8; Col 2: 12-14; Lk 11:1-13**

As you may know, on July 23, we celebrate Grandparents on the World Day for Grandparents. If we have grandparents in our lives, it can be something special. For grandparents, who have beautiful, wonderful grandchildren, and can help their parents nurture, protect, and instruct them, and pass on their experiences, it is really a blessing from God. Grandparents can also really be fun to be around.

In the Book of Genesis, we find Abraham actually debating with God. Because of the sinfulness of the people, God was poised to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah. Abraham had such a faith and trust in God that he was able to have God agree not to destroy the city if there were at least 10 innocent people there.

This reading makes me think about our beloved grandparents. How often, most of the time without us even knowing it, did they reach out to our parents, who were really mad at us for something we did, and intercede for us, just as Abraham did with God. They teach us to have the same faith and trust in God that Abraham had. They also teach us about forgiveness, respect for authority, and the need to listen to them as they pass on their wisdom to us.

Psalm 138 provides us with a list of all the things we can count on with God when we have a relationship with him. He listens to us. He is kind and true. He strengthens us for our journey in this life. He preserves us from the distress we will experience. He will reach out with his right hand to save us.

These are many of the things that our grandparents do for us if we have a relationship with them. We can go to them in times of trouble and they will do their best to save us. They strengthen us in so many ways but especially with their experiences if we listen to them. They are kind and generous to us with their time, talent and treasure.

In his letter to the Colossians, St. Paul tells us one of the most important things ever: we are forgiven of our sins. This forgiveness came at a price: our brother, Jesus, died for us. He removed all of the sinfulness in our lives when he was nailed to the cross. He nailed our transgression to the cross.

We are sinners but if we ask for forgiveness, we will be forgiven. For more serious sin or just to receive more of God's grace, we have the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Of all of the things we learn from our grandparents, probably the best are to see forgiveness when we do something wrong and also to forgive someone who hurt us in some way. When we hold on to our hurts from words spoke about us, mistreatments, injury, neglect, we are really hurting ourselves. We are forgiven and our grandparents teach us about the need to forgive in the same way.

In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus gives us some assurances that should be very comforting to us. First when we pray, do not be afraid to ask God to forgive our sins in the same way we forgive others. Jesus teaches us about generosity and that it is fine to be persistent in what we ask of God. If we ask and seek, we will find that we will receive. We will find the door we knocked upon to be open to us. Of course, we all need some guidance in the things we seek and ask for. We want to be sure the door we knock upon will open a better way to live our live. Here again our grandparents, with all their experiences they have in their lives will help guide us. They will be there to help our parents guide us to live our lives in such a way that we will be the best version of ourselves.



Deacon Kevin Campbell

**(Cruise Scheduled for Saturday October 22nd)**

**((SAVE THE DATE))**

Our always fun  
**HARBOR CRUISE IS BACK**

We sail Saturday October 22nd Board 6:30 pm Depart 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

Aboard the beautiful *Charleston Princess*

Charleston City Marina 17 Lockwood Drive

Three decks, including seated dining, bow and aft observation decks and dance floor



**\$90 per couple - \$45 single**

Includes

Music by Lee Edwards Entertainment

Dinner and dessert

Soft drinks, water, beer & wine served by on board staff

In addition, you'll have a cash bar for cocktails.

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