

# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

DECEMBER 1, 2016 THE VOICE OF COUNCIL # 9475

VOLUME 29 NUMBER 12

## **GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT**

Dear Brother Knights,

I hope all of you had a wonderful Thanksgiving full of food, football, and family.

As the Christmas Season gears up, let us recall our commitment to charity. Our Faith compels us to perform charitable works. There will be numerous opportunities this holiday season bestowed upon us. Please answer the call.

On December 4<sup>th</sup>, the Knights will host a Christmas Party for children with Autism and Downs Syndrome. The festivities begin at 2 PM and run until 5 PM at St. Benedict in the Triple Room. We will need volunteers the day before to decorate, also from 2-5. On the day of the party we need assistance setting up, serving food, and cleaning up. Please join us for what is sure to be a rewarding experience.

We are entering a float in the Mount Pleasant Christmas Parade on December 11<sup>th</sup> this year. It should be noted that each year we have entered we have won an award! Mark Lazo is heading up this effort. Come March with us to get our message out: keep Christ in Christmas.

Our annual Christmas Wreath Sale began the day after Thanksgiving on the Christ our King-Stella Maris School playground. Fresh, handmade wreaths will be sold through December  $4^{th}$  – if they last that long. They are popular items and often sell out quickly. The sales are a major contributor to our charitable causes. Shifts are open. Please sign up via the link Brother Franzone has disseminated.

It's not too late to participate in the Seafarers Society Christmas at Sea program. Please see me for boxes or they are available at St. Benedict and Stella Maris Churches.

Thank you all for all you do for your community and your Church. I hope you and your families have a very Merry Christmas.

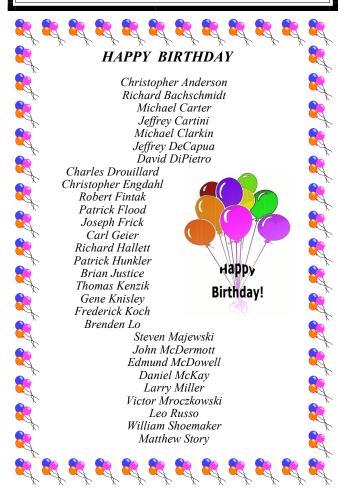
Fraternally,

Sean O'Toole



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS DECEMBER

Officers Meeting	01
COK-Life Center- 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	01
Stella Maris - 8PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	02
COK-7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	03
COK-7:30 AM	
Autism and Down Syndrome Christmas Party	04
St. Benedict's Parish Hall-2:00 to 5:00 PM	
Immaculate Conception	08
Decorate Float for Mt. Pleasant Christmas Parade	10
Council Christmas Party	10
Hosted by Michael and Dawn O'Connor	
	11
	15
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
e .	17
Hosted by Mickey and Betty McMahon	
	25



#### Knight of the Month November 2016 Stan Adams

- Stan Adams is one our finest Knights - 4th degree since 2010 and active in our many fund raisers

- Stan and Jean both hail from Philly and will be celebrating their 60th this June 2017. They have two grown children (Jean and Charles) and 4 grands and 1 great on the way

- Stan is smart and athletic - trained as Russian analyst and played football for the Army ... But.... Of course they assigned him to Korea! Stans efforts helped defeat the Axis during WWII - leaving the service, Stan spent 60 years in the chemical industry after earning degree from Drexel

- top man for three chemical divisions and came to Charleston to help run Westvaco

- helped tutor Math after retiring at Military Magnet high school - very active at St Benedicts - collection counter!

- loves to travel, loves sports and is a big reason why our council is strong

#### **Congratulations Stan!!!**



Left Deputy Grand Knight and Council Director Don Campbell Presented Stan Adams center with a Knights Cup and Grand Knight Sean O'Toole right is presenting Stan with Knight of the Month Certificate.

#### Family of the Month November 2016 DJ and Allyson

The Thatcher's, D.J., Allyson, Michael, Olivia, Andrew, and Joseph likely appear to be spinning out-of-control on any given day! D.J. attended some Catholic School and graduated from a Catholic University, worked in and helped lead a Catholic Hospital, and continues to assist the Church as he can. A Fourth Degree Knight and insurance member, D.J. is a past Grand Knight of our Council and is proud to have assisted in the movement of the Council to St. Benedict's Parish. D.J. is often the "sound man" at Council events, and has assisted with spaghetti dinners, book sales, the oyster roast, Christmas tree sale, and other such activities. He is a parishioner at Christ Our King where he serves as an usher and lector, and served as a member of the Parish Council. He and his "boys" often assist with decorating the Church for holiday seasons. D.J. wears several hats professionally and owns two companies, one medical, and another in which he gets paid to speak (which Allyson suggests is a good thing...since he never shuts-up!). D.J. is a leader of Dale Carnegie South Carolina, and performs coaching, voice and video services. He can be found responding to 911 calls with the county EMS regularly, and also works on a historic steam railroad in Pennsylvania.

Allyson is a member of the COK choir, and is also a Cantor. She routinely performs in the choir's special performances as well. She is a physician and partner in Trident Pain Center, with offices in four locations across the low country.

Michael is a stage actor and singer on Broadway, and earned a Masters of Fine Arts degree. Olivia is an advanced placement and honors history teacher at Wando High School, and attends COK. Andrew is a graduate of Jefferson College in Virginia and serves as a firefighter-paramedic with the Charleston Fire Department and also attends COK, where he is one of the "boys" who decorate the church. Joseph is a freshman at Kutztown University in Pennsylvania and is a starting member of the varsity rugby team. He, too, is a parishioner at COK and assists with decorating the church. Andrew and Joseph each graduated from Bishop England High School.

In addition, the family assists with Allyson's elderly Father, who lives at home with them. Again, the family is very humbled to be honored by the Council.

## Congratulations D.J. and Allyson!!!

Christmas Wreath Decorating Elves. Left to right Fran Franzone, Doris Wright, Shirley Wolf, Joan Schilliro and Rita Pancake.

They are the ladies of the Knights that help with this Christmas Wreath Fund Raiser every year.

Thank You Ladies for a job well done. It wouldn't happen without your help.





Here's the finished product ready for sale and in the back ground are left to right Joan Schilliro, Doris Wright, Fran Franzone, Shirley Wolf and Rita Pancake. Thank You Ladies!

#### **COUNCIL OFFICERS**

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Brian & Mary Burke Philip & Karen Chuy Roland & Laura DeVita Michael & Kathleen Eovino Anthony & Phyllis Francin Kevin & Nora Frederick Jackey & Lauren Frye Richard & Mary Garcia Daniel & Tina Jost John & Sandra Karnaszewski Mark & Debbie Lazo Gregory & Carol Loss James & Eileen Morini Joseph & Dawn Myers Francis & Kristen O'Neil Greg & Kathy Raven



CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God	01
Officers Meeting	05
COK-Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	05
Stella Maris — 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	06
COK — 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	_07
COK — 7:30 AM	
Martin Luther King Day	16
Regular Business Meeting	19
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
KOC Annual Oyster Roast	21
Gold Bug Island — 5 to 9 PM	
-	

Council Christmas Party Hosted by Michael and Dawn O'Connor Saturday, December 10, 2016 — 6:30 PM 3104 Sonja Way Park West

The Council will provide the drinks. Please bring along a dish or dessert to share with others.



Co-Chaplain Co-Chaplain Co-Chaplain Spiritual Director Grand Knight Deputy Grand Knight Chancellor **Financial Secretary** Recorder Treasurer Lecturer Advocate Warden Inside Guard Outside Guard 3 Yr. Trustee 2 Yr. Trustee 1 Yr. Trustee Program Director Church Director

Vocations Chairman Community Director Pro/Life Couple Health Services Council Director Public Relations Family Director Culture of Life Director Youth Director Membership Director Admission Chairman Recruitment Committee

Retention Chairman Retention Committee

Insurance Promotion Operation Hope Chairman Newsletter State Chaplain

State Deputy District Deputy

Insurance Agent Supreme Fraternal Services

Rev. Msgr. James A. Carter 843-884-5587 Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. McInerny 843-883-3109 Rev. Timothy West 843-471-2121 Deacon Kevin Campbell 843-884-6317 Sean O'Toole 404-271-3999 Don Campbell 843-471-1085 843-216-5354 Kevin Cunnane 843-972-8193 Jeff Pulaski Bob Geberth 845-282-5546 Jim Welsch 843-849-1979 843-856-4950 Ron Davis Ryan Kinowski 518-229-8725 843-416-8818 Michael O'Connor John Bride Jr. 843-388-5147 843-991-5283 Matt Kiefer Bill Shoemaker 843-884-1378 Frank Osage 843-830-7263 Tom A. Franzone 843-884-5670 Tom A. Franzone 843-884-5670 Tom A. Franzone COK 843-884-5670 518-229-8725 Ryan Kinowski SM Bobby Geberth - SB 843-654-9549 Jerry Gimbert SC of A 843-655-9111 Anthony Herlihy 843-388-7647 Bill Shoemaker 843-884-1378 Don & Kathy Campbell 843-471-1085 D. J. Thatcher 843-513-0214 Don Campbell 843-471-1085 Neil Whitman 843-856-5034 Kevin Cunnane 843-216-5354 Fred Koch 843-884-1713 843-973-1409 Mike Flato Joe Harkins 843-881-5768 Kevin Cunnane 843-216-5354 Ryan Kinowski-SM 518-229-8725 Marion Wright - COK 843-884-0140 Stan Adams- SB 843-884-8331 Jerry Gimbert 843-655-9111 Don Campbell 843-471-1085 Ron Davis - COK 843-856-4950 Don Lindeman- SM 843-886-2591 Stan Adams - SB 843-884-8331 Jerry Gimbert - SC of A 843-655-9111 John Bride 843-388-5147

 Jack Vax
 843-856-2212

 Fran Franzone
 843-884-5670

 Rev. Robert Higgins
 843-249-2356

 Frank Davis
 843-518-0963

 Paul Harrington
 706-338-7924

 203-772-2130
 843-844-84



Fourth Degree Christmas Party Hosted by Mickey and Betty McMahon Saturday, December 17, 2016 —6:00 PM 2677 Magnolia Woods Drive Seaside Farms

The Assembly will provide drinks. Please bring along a dish or dessert to share with others.