



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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Grand Knights Report

Brother Knights and Families,

Our "Faith in Action" shined throughout the month of November with our support of the COK/SM school at their annual bazaar as well as our support of Operation Christmas Child, Operation HOPE, and the annual Knights of Columbus Turkey Day Run. We truly exemplified Charity by giving of our time and talents. We also provided monetary support to the Hurricane Sandy relief effort. With our help and that of other Councils throughout the country, the Knights of Columbus contributed more than \$500,000 toward the relief effort.

As we enter the month of December and begin this season of Advent let us continue to put our Faith in Action and promote keeping Christ in Christmas. As we proclaimed last year, "It's Okay to say Merry Christmas".

Debbie and I hope that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving and we wish you all a Merry Christmas.

YBIC,

Mark  Lazo

Happy Birthday

- Richard Bachschmidt
- Michael Carter
- Jeffery Cartini
- Michael Clarkin
- David DiPietro
- Charles Drouillard
- Joseph Frick
- Carl Geier
- Richard Hallett
- Patrick Hunkler
- Thomas Kenzik
- Gene Knisley
- Frederick Koch
- Brenden Lo
- John McDermott
- Edmund McDowell
- Daniel McKay
- Victor Mroczkowski
- Robert Newton
- Leo Russo
- William Shoemaker
- Matthew Story
- Marco Vasquez
- James Welsch

CALENDAR OF THE MONTH DECEMBER

First Day of Advent_____	02
Officer's Meeting_____	06
Life Center - 7:00 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	06
Stella Maris - 8 PM to 8 AM	
Knights of Columbus 25th Anniversary_____	07
Grace Hall - 6:30	
Pearl Harbor Day_____	07
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	07
COK - 7 AM to 5PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	08
COK - 7 AM	
The Immaculate Conception_____	08
Holy Day of Obligation	
Officer's Meeting_____	19
Rev. Vincent Capodanno Assembly 3243	
Stella Maris - 7 PM	
Reg. Business Meeting_____	20
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting : 7:15 PM	
Fourth Degree Christmas Party_____	21
Mickey and Betty McMahon - 6:00 PM	
Christmas_____	25
Holy Day of Obligation	
New Years Eve_____	31
New Years Day_____	Jan. 01
Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God.	

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Christmas Wreath sale has begun at the COK/SM school playground area located on Camellia Drive and Coleman Blvd. The cost is \$25.00 per wreath. The hours of operation are Sundays: 1 to 7 pm., Monday through Thursday; 3 to 8 pm and Fridays: 1 to 9 pm and Saturdays: 9 am to 8 pm.



Family of the Month
November, 2012
Gene and Elaine McLaughlin

Gene and Elaine McLaughlin were both born and, grew up in the city of Boston and were married there 47 years ago. They have four grown children. Brian and wife Meg in Boston, Brenda in North Hollywood CA., Bevin in Cincinnati who is engaged to be married this spring, and Barry and wife Laura in Milwaukee. They have six grand children and spend much time visiting them.

Gene graduated with a BS from USMA at West Point and from Northeastern University, Boston. He first joined the Knights of Columbus in Boston in 1954, dropped out when he went to college and rejoined in Dallas in 1995. Elaine graduated with a BS from Emmanuel College, Boston and from Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee with a Master's in hospital administration.

After military service Gene worked as an operations manager and retired from J.C. Penney in 1999. Elaine worked in the pharmaceutical industry as a clinical trial manager.

Since retirement Elaine volunteers three days per week at St Vincent De Paul furniture distribution center at East Cooper Community Outreach, is chairperson of St Benedict's outreach ministries, participates in St Benedict's faith sharing group, and is a member of St Benedict's choir. Gene spends one or two days each week as a volunteer in the Charleston Seafarers Mission assisting seafarers from all over the world, is part of St Benedict's men's prayer group and volunteers in Operation Hope.

Both of them are aspiring (struggling) golfers and enjoy boating and gardening.

Congratulations Gene and Elaine !!!!!

Fourth Degree Christmas Party



The Fourth Degree Christmas Party will be hosted by Mickey and Betty McMahon, 2677 Magnolia Woods Drive, Seaside Farms, on Friday, December 21, 2012 at 6 PM. You are asked to bring a hors d'oeuvre or dessert to share with others. There will be no gift exchange. Hope to see ya'll there.

PLEASE NOTE

Electronic delivery of minutes and newsletter

If you would like to suspend mail delivery and receive an electronic version only please email Tom Franzone at Tzone1941@aol.com.

Knight of the Month
November, 2012
Mark West

Mark was raised in Weatherford, Oklahoma. He enlisted in the US Army 3 days after high school graduation in 1987. He was stationed with the Big Red One, 16th Infantry Regiment, at Fort Riley, KS. He was in a Mechanized Infantry Battalion and obtained the rank of Sergeant. He also held positions as an Infantry squad leader. And Company Assistant Master Gunner. And Drill Instructor for the US Army Infantry Training School.

Mark moved to Dallas, TX in 1996 after graduating college. He worked as an Athletic trainer for the Lewisville Independent School District, and was assistant athletic trainer for Flower Mound Marcus High School. During this time Mark met his beautiful wife Cheryl. Cheryl and Mark were married in 2001 in Salina, KS. Also in 2001 after 5 years with High School Athletics Mark transitioned into a Sales Position with a Temporary Staffing Agency, Pro Staff in Dallas, TX. In 2003 he took a Medical Sales Job with Stryker in Dallas - Fort Worth, selling orthopedic equipment to surgeons and hospitals. Stryker transferred us to Lincoln, NE in 2004 and back to Dallas in 2006. Mark sold computer assisted surgery systems to hospitals and surgeons for Brain, Total joint replacement, spine and ENT surgeries. Mark stayed with Stryker in Dallas, until 2008. He then took employment with Johnson & Johnson and helped them launch a new medical device in the Anesthesia/Sedation market. Mark then took employment back with Stryker In 2010 with their Neuron, Spine, ENT division and Stryker moved them to lovely Charleston, SC. We have totally enjoyed our time here. Cheryl and Mark have two sons, Hayden, 9, a fourth grader at COK and Kellan, 6, a First grader at COK. They are involved in pack 470 Cub Scouts, soccer, basketball and have recently found Stand up Paddle Boarding.

Mark joined the KOC in 2002, Council 7099 in Grapevine, TX. Where he received his 1st degree. Mark is now a 4th degree Knight and transferred his membership to Council 9475 in 2010. Mark has totally enjoyed his time served as a Knight. He's been active in this Council's activities, and is currently Council Director. Mark has participated in the Book Sale set up/tear down, spaghetti dinners, COK/SM Bazaar food booth and numerous other activities. Mark looks forward in serving this Council, its members and its charities.

Mark joined the church through RCIA in 1999. Mark and family attend COK noon mass. Mark ushers for the Noon Mass and his family also participates as gift bearers. Mark volunteers to assistant coach his son's soccer, b-ball teams and the assistant Tiger Den Leader and Weebelo's in Pack 470. Cheryl volunteers at COK for recess duty, ice cream duty, and teacher lunch appreciations. She is also active in PSA, and helps with the COK bazaar.

Mark and Cheryl have enjoyed their time and look forward to meeting you if they haven't already. This is an outstanding Council and we have a great group of men as our members..

Congratulations Mark !!!!!

Calendar of Events
January, 2013

New Years Day_____	01
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	
Officer's Meeting _____	03
Life Center - 7 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	03
Stella Maris - 8 PM to 8 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	04
COK - 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	05
COK - 7:30 AM	
Feast of the Epiphany_____	06
Right to Life March_____	12
Columbia, SC.	
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day_____	14
Regular Business Meeting _____	17
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	
Annual Oyster Roast_____	19
Gold Bug Island - 6:30 PM	
Officer's Meeting_____	23
Rev. Vincent Capodanno Assembly 3243	
Stella Maris - 7 PM	
March for Life_____	24
Washington, DC	

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Co-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. James A. Carter	884-5587
Co-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. McNerny	883-3109
Co-Chaplain	Rev. Vincent Y. Maroun	216-0039
Grand Knight	Mark Lazo	881-1237
Deputy Grand Knight	Frank Osage	614-7877
Chancellor	Jerry Barnett	884-0210
Financial Secretary	Joe Harkins	881-5768
Recorder	Neil Whitman	856-5034
Treasurer	Michael Fabrizio	388-6908
Lecturer	Ron Davis	856-4950
Advocate	Matt Story	849-7244
Warden	Ron Bellonio	216-1904
Inside Guard	Stanley Adams	884-8331
Outside Guard	Richard Bachschmidt	200-6435
3 Yr. Trustee	DJ Thatcher	513-0214
2 Yr. Trustee	James Pancake	856-3887
1 Yr. Trustee	Michael Swindle	224-8024
Program Director	Tom A. Franzone	884-5670
Church Director	Tom A. Franzone COK	884-5670
	Jack Urbanic SM	886-2591
	Gene McLaughlin SB	849-2271
	Jack Vax SB	856-2212
Vocations Chairman	Barry Sturmer	881-6714
Community Director	Jonathon Santilli	971-7016
Pro/Life Couple	Don & Kathy Campbell	471-1085
Health Services	D. J. Thatcher	513-0214
Council Director	Mark West	416-8859
Public Relations	Neil Whitman	856-5034
Family Director	Richard Bachschmidt	200-6435
Culture of Life Director	Fred Koch	884-1713
Youth Director	Matt Story	849-7244
Membership Director	Jack Urbanic	886-2591
Recruitment Committee	Jack Urbanic	886-2591
	Mark Kennedy	849-8871
	Albert Baciocco	884-0995
Retention Chairman	Jack Urbanic	886-2591
Insurance Promotion	Hoyt Kiser	884-7620
Operation Hope Chairman	Jack Vax	856-2212
Newsletter	Fran Franzone	884-5670
State Chaplain	Rev. Robert Higgins	249-2356
State Deputy	Richard Gabriel	797-6804
District Deputy	Daniel Barton	367-1871
Insurance Agent	Stephen Kramp	771-2437
Supreme Fraternal Services		203-772-2130

Happy Anniversary

Ronald & Joan Bellonio
 Philip & Karen Chuy
 Roland & Laura DeVita
 Michael & Kathleen Eovino
 Anthony & Phillis Francin
 Kevin & Nora Frederick
 Richard & Mary Garcia
 Stephen & Rebecca Grimaldi
 Mark & Debbie Lazo
 James & Suzanne Meister
 James & Eileen Morini
 Joseph & Dawn Myers
 Francis & Kristen O'Neil
 Greg & Kathy Raven
 James & Ashley Ullrich

Keep
 Christ
 In
 Christmas



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 AND
 GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS**