

# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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#### **GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT**

Brother Knights and Spouses

The Month of January saw celebrations and some farewells. Once again, the Knights Oyster roast was a special event that many enjoyed. Thank you to all who helped Tom Franzone make this a highlight of the year. Our Council was also front and center at the Stand Up for life march in Columbia. We rounded out the Month with a Knight's retreat which centered on Mathew Kelly's decision points. The 20+ Knights/Spouses came away thoroughly inspired by the content and professional moderators. Sadly, we said farewell to Nicole (Mike McDermott's daughter), Carol Neri, and immensely popular Brother Ebbo (Al) Leonzio. Our prayers and condolences to their families.

This spring is going to be busy for our Council. Brother Matt Kiefer is hosting a super bowl party at his Daniel Island home - thanks Matt for opening your home. We also have a Valentine's dance scheduled for February 8th at Liberty Tap room - big thank you to Debbie Pulaski for getting this organized. Coming soon in March is our Golf Tournament to support the Daughters of St Paul - there are a million things to do so please get in touch with Bob Fintak to help and to sign up your foursome. And for those long range planners ... Neil Whitman has the ever popular Harbor Cruise scheduled in May!

I'd also like to Welcome new transfers to our Council - Tom Haplin, Steve Gillespie, and Joey Keller. We look forward to getting to know you in coming weeks.

We have not had a picture taken of all Council members in a while. With that in mind, I'm asking for max participation at our April meeting - "100 member meeting" - more to come soon.

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Don Grand Knight

#### Knights of Columbus Council 9475 Annual Super Bowl Party

When: Sunday, February 4th, 2018.Time: 5:30pm until the party is over.Where: Kiefer Home - 1136 Blakeway St. Daniel Island SC Details:BBQ Sandwiches and drinks will be provided.Please bring a dish to share (side or dessert)

Please RSVP to Matt at mkieferchas@gmail.com or by phone at 843-991-5283 with number of people attending.

Looking forward to seeing everyone!

Brother Matt Kiefer

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY

Officers Meeting01
COK—Life Center—6:30 PM
Nocturnal Adoration01
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament02
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM
Pro-Life/Rosary03
COK — 7:30 AM
Super Bowl Party04 See information below left column
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Valentine's Reception08
At Liberty Tavern - E-mail will be sent out.
Formation & Knighthood Degree Exemplifications10
Our Lady of Hill Church, 120 Marydale Ln.,
Columbia. Registration 9:15 AM
Ash Wednesday14
St. Valentine's Day14
Regular Business Meeting15
St. Benedict's Parish Hall
Dinner: 6:30 PM
Meeting: 7 PM
Presidents' Day19



# Family of the Month Joe and Peggy Harkins January 2018

Joe and Peggy Harkins are originally from Philadelphia PA. They have been married for 53 years; have four grown children, nine grandchildren and a great grandchild. Joe graduated from LaSalle University Evening Division in 1970. After working in private industry for 10 years, he was appointed a Postal Inspector in 1970. After many career moves, Joe and Peggy were transferred to Charleston in 1993 and Joe retired in 1997 after 27 years of service.

Joe became a Knight in Manassas VA. in 1978. He joined our council in October 1995 and became a Fourth Degree Knight in 1998. He has held many officers positions within our council and has served as Grand Knight in 2000 – 2001 and again in 2004 – 2005. He was our Financial Secretary for six years and is currently Membership Director. Joe is the Grand Knight of our 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Team; shares his time generously; and has been involved in almost every activity sponsored by our council.

Joe and Peggy have been active members of Christ Our King parish and are now active members of St. Benedict's parish. Peggy has been a RCIA sponsor at both parishes and is an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister at St Benedict's. She is an a member of a parish Women's Club and participates as an active member of a Faith Sharing group. She has also been a volunteer at Birthright and a caregiver for elderly residents. Joe participates in many ministries at St. Benedict's including being a Mass Coordinator, lector, usher and Extraordinary Minister.

During his "retirement" Joe had been on the homeowners board and an active maintenance volunteer at he Charleston National sub-division for five years; and had been president for two years. He has been employed by several organizations in the Charleston and Mt Pleasant areas; and had managed property maintenance at St. Benedict's for three years. He has also served as bookkeeper at Birthright of Charleston.

Peggy enjoys touring, traveling, and reading as part of her participation in a book club. She also likes card playing and MahJong. Joe enjoys sports, especially jogging, basketball, swimming and golf.

## **Congratulations Joe and Peggy!!!**



Grand Knight Don Campbell right and acting as Family Director is presenting Joe Harkins with Family of the Month Certificate and Knights Cup.

#### Knight of the Month Ron Davis January 2018

- Ron was born in Columbia SC and married Deb in 1969
- Ron and Deb are celebrating 49 years of marriage
- Moved to Charleston in 1971 and bought first home on IOP. He lost home during Hugo and rebuilt. His first job was at a toy/hobby store in Northwoods Mall.
- The Foster parents for 8 children and adopted their son when he turned 4
- He was recalled to active duty in Desert Storm in 1989
- He moved to Christ Our King after Hugo. Ron and Deb were super active as Head Usher, Funeral Choir Director, and Cantor
- A Knight for over 20 years and just granted Honorary Membership. Mr. Everything for us every meal comes from Ron



**Congratulations Ron!!!** 

Grand Knight Don Campbell and our Council Director right is presenting Ron Davis with Knight of the Month Certificate and Knights Cup.



Past Grand Knight and our guest speaker Bill Shoemaker right is being thanked by Grand Knight Don Campbell for telling about his trip to Texas and volunteer work he did helping folks with hurricane damage with Home Works of America.

#### **COUNCIL OFFICERS**

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Gerald and Carmela Baty Stan and Lisa Blalock William and Jo Anne Cary Michael and Kay Fabrizio Tom and Fran Franzone Fred and Faye Koch Steven and Sylvia Majewski Jeff and Debbie Pulaski Joe and Hilda Rosenberger Joe and Jeannie Scheirman Jim and Susan Welsch



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COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	03
COK — 7:30 AM	
Knights Mass	04
St. Benedict's at the 11:30 AM Mass	
Regular Business Meeting	15
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
Golf Tournament	20
Additional information TBA	



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# **GOD BLESS AMERICA**

# IF YOU MISSED OUR OYSTER ROAST HERE ARE A FEW PICTURES TAKEN BY BROTHER KEVIN CUNNANE



Now that's a good looking Oyster!



Our Past Grand Knight, Present Assembly 3243 Faithful Navigator and Oyster Roaster Roast Refreshment Chairman Mark Lazo is finally getting to eat a few Oysters.



Sure looks like a good time was had by all.



Looks like Brother Luke Lappierre with right hand by pocket and Hot Dog in other is on a mission

Meditation on the Most Holy Name of Jesus By: Deacon Kevin Campbell 1 John 2:29-36; Ps 98: 1, 3-6; John 1:29-34

Our Meditation will help us to understand the monumental benefits of invoking the name of Jesus on a regular basis. As we read this meditation, let's think of how important, how meaningful it will be, for us to invoke the name of Jesus.

In the first letter of John, the evangelist, the apostle, the disciple who Jesus loved above all the rest, we read what his first-hand account of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus meant to him. It should help us to see how important it will be for us to regularly invoke the name of Jesus. When God sent his only son to live with us, it was the greatest sign of his love for us. For those of us who choose to believe in Jesus, we are made true children of God. We now have fellowship with God that can only be taken away when we sin.

We can avoid sin, and overcome the temptation to sin that is constantly around us, by frequently invoking the beautiful name of Jesus. For example, let's say we are at our favorite restaurant and our server is having a bad day, treating us pretty poorly, or the food is slow to come out and, when it comes out, it is not up to the normal standards, or someone comes up to our table to talk who is not one of our favorites. The temptation will be to complain, insult, and/or gossip. If we do so, these reactions could be sinful. We can overcome these temptations to sin by taking a moment, closing our eyes and repeating the name of Jesus a few times. I assure you that these temptations to sin will go away.

In Psalm 98, God is praised for the good things he has done for Israel, namely giving them some military victories. The Psalmist urges not only his fellow Jews but also all of the nations to praise God. We will be filled with these same feelings when calling upon the name of Jesus. Instead of military victories, God sent his only son into the world to save us from our sins. We should praise God constantly for doing this. There can be no greater praise to God, than when we call upon Jesus to be with us.

John's Gospel recalls what happens when John the Baptist saw Jesus. He said that Jesus was the son of God, sent by God to take away the sins of the world. Before Jesus came, the consequences of original sin and all of our personal sins put the world into a sinful position. God sent Jesus into the world to make us right with God, if we so choose.

An excellent tool is to invoke the name of Jesus. We might be experiencing the loss of our faith because of some really difficult event in our life, like the sickness or death of a loved one. We might be going through a period of spiritual dryness when the Mass or our spiritual readings are doing nothing for us. When neither the desire for heaven nor the fear of hell can free us from the apathy we are experiencing, we need to get to a quiet place. We need to close our eyes and repeat the name of Jesus with as much love of God as we can place in our hearts. When we do, our negative feelings will be replaced with joy.

As St. Bernadine of Sienna said in the 1440's: "when we invoke his name with a deep and humble love, secretly and silently in our hearts, our apathy and sadness will disappear and be replaced with joy".

Try this sometime and see.



Deacon Kevin Campbell