



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

JANUARY 1, 2016 THE VOICE OF COUNCIL # 9475 VOLUME 29 NUMBER 1

GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Dear Brother Knights,

I hope all had a Merry Christmas and wish you a Happy New Year.

Many thanks to the Briggs for hosting our council Christmas party where all had a good time.

Our dues are coming in at a good rate. We need to have all in ASAP so reminders do not have to be sent out as this adds cost to the council for the added mailings. We have 6 months to recruit 14 new members so we can qualify for the Star Award again. Please lets start asking men in our Parishes to come and join the Knights. Our Oyster Roast on Jan 16 would be a good time to invite a new man and his family to join us at this event to see our fellowship in action.

We are still in need of a host home for the Super Bowl Party on Sun. Feb 7, 2016. The council supplies the drinks and people bring a side dish to share.

There is a 2nd Degree on Sun. Jan. 10, 2016 starting at 12:30, lasting less than 2 hours in Goose Creek. If you wish to attend let me know so I can get paper work and rides.

The Catholic Mens Conferance on March 5, 2016 sponsored by the Knights needs volunteers to help park cars, serve food at breakfast and lunch, direct people to areas for eating and to church.

If you can help let me know so I can get you on the list.

YBIC
Bill Shoemaker GK



Grand Knights Bill Shoemaker left presents Joe Neri our Autism Christmas Party Lead Chairman with Certificate of Appreciation for a job well done.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS JANUARY

New Years Day	01
Holy Day of Obligation	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	01
COK — 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	02
COK — 7:30 AM	
Officers Meeting	07
COK Life Center — 7:00 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	07
Stella Maris — 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM	
Annual Oyster Roast	16
Gold Bug Island — 6:30 PM	
Martin Luther King Day	18
Regular Business Meeting	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	

HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!
2016

Ed Bernard
Stan Blalock
Martin Bogdan
Robert Bohnstengel
Tyler Boone
Jim Cafaro
Daniel Darby
Coleman Dunne
Kevin Frederick
Wilson Gautreaux
Robert Geberth

Jeff Hilbert
Daniel Jost
Luke Lapierre
Gerald McCully
Msgr. Lawrence McInerny
John Napolitano
Jim Pancake
Henry Rogers
Salvatore Serio
James Sheehy
Thomas Siwarski
Fr. Robert Spencer
Anthony Stelluti

**Knight of the Month
December 2015
Louis Richter**

Lou is a native Charlestonian where attended the College of Charleston and what is now Trident Technical College. He is retired from the US Postal Service and the United States Army Reserve.

Lou has three grown children, two sons and one daughter and five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

He is a Fourth Degree Knight and serves on the 1st Degree Team providing the music for the Degree. He has served a Lecture and Inside Guard.

Lou is a member of Christ Our King Parish where he serves as a Sacristan, Usher and Altar Server. He also is a member of the parish's Newcomers committee and helps with the church decorations.

Lou enjoys bowling and time with his family and friends.

Congratulations Lou !



Joe Harkins left acting Council Director presents Lou Richter right with Knight of the Month Certificate and Grand Knight Bill Shoemaker center presents Lou with Knights Cup.

**Family of the Month
December 2015
Sean and Molly O'Toole**

Sean and Molly met while working on the Charleston waterfront together at Evergreen Marine Corporation in 1991. They have been married for 22 years. Except for a brief stint in Atlanta, they have spent their lives together in Mount Pleasant. Molly was born and raised on Sullivan's Island. Her mother was from Opelika, AL where all of her 9 siblings were born (yes, they are serious Auburn fans). Her father was from Johnston, SC. Molly graduated from College Preparatory High School in downtown Charleston and received a degree in Communications from the College of Charleston. She is the Executive Director of the O'Quinn Schools of Porter-Gaud. Sean was born in Camp Pendleton, CA. His father was a Marine Corps career officer and his family lived in Mount Pleasant when he served overseas. Upon his retirement in 1973 the family returned permanently. Sean attended Christ Our King-Stella Maris and graduated from Bishop England High School. He received his Bachelors degree from the College of Charleston and his Masters of Education from the Citadel. He is the Senior Operations Manager for Hapag-Lloyd (America), LLC. Sean and Molly have three children: Catherine, Killian, and Rory. Catherine is a junior at Clemson University and is studying to be a Science Teacher. Killian is a graduate of Wando High School. He works at Forever 21 and will be attending Trident Technical College. Rory is a student at Cario Middle School where he is in the band, second chair Euphonium. He is a member to St. Benedict's Troop 529 where he is a Life Scout.

The O'Toole's are members of St. Benedict Church. They stay busy with active schedules, but look forward every year to spending time at the family beach house over the summer.

Congratulations Sean and Molly!



Tom Siwarski acting Family Director left presents Sean O'Toole center with Family of the Month Certificate and Grand Knight Bill Shoemaker presents Sean with Knights Cup.



ANNUAL OYSTER ROAST & BENEFIT

Saturday, January 16, 2016 – 6:30 PM

Gold Bug Island

(At the foot of Ben Sawyer Bridge)

12 yrs. & older \$25.00 – All Children \$8.00 - \$30.00 @ Door

Includes Oysters, Fish Stew, Hot Dogs, Beer and Wine – No Coolers



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Ruford and Margaret Bolchoz
Christopher and Melssya Engdahl
Melvin and Elnora Lands



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FEBRUARY**

Nocturnal Adoration	04
Stella Maris — 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM	
Officers Meeting	04
COK Life Center — 7:00 PM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	05
COK — 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	06
COK — 7:30 AM	
Ash Wednesday	10
Valentine’s Day	14
President’s Day	15
Regular Business Meeting	18
St. Benedict’s Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	

The lucky winner of the Three Wheel bike

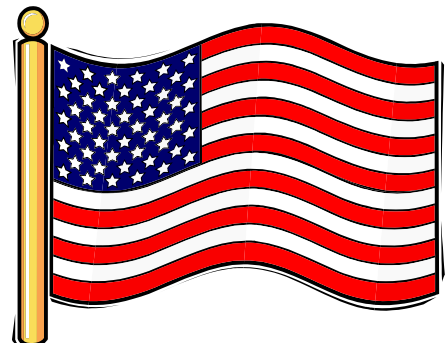
The lucky winner of the Three Wheel Bike that was donated by Brother Knight Tony and Wife Phyllis Francin was a West Ashley Lady that purchased ticket at Book Sale.

SPOUSE EMAIL Update:

Please send your spouse’s first and last name with her email address to Neil at ngwhitman@yahoo.com

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Pro/Life Couple	Don & Kathy Campbell	843-471-1085
Health Services	D. J. Thatcher	843-513-0214
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Public Relations	Neil Whitman	843-856-5034
Family Director	Kevin Cunnane	843-216-5354
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	Stan Adams - SB	843-884-8331
	Jerry Gimbert - SC of A	843-655-9111
Insurance Promotion	John Bride	843-388-5147
Operation Hope Chairman	Jack Vax	843-856-2212
Newsletter	Fran Franzone	843-884-5670
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State Deputy	Frank Davis	
District Deputy	Ed McDowell	843-518-0963
Insurance Agent	Paul Harrington	706-338-7924
Supreme Fraternal Services		203-772-2130



MEN'S CONFERENCE

Building Men of the Family of God

March 5, 2016

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church | 510 St. James Street | Goose

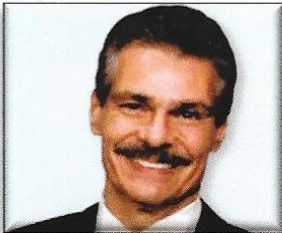
NEW! **WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

Friday, March 4, 2016

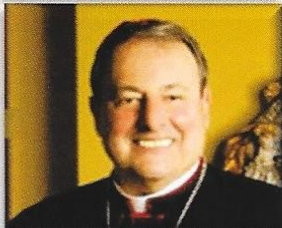
6:30 — 8 p.m. (Registration at 6:00 p.m.)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
510 St. James Ave. | Goose Creek, SC

Speakers: Dr. Ray Guarendi, Chad Justice



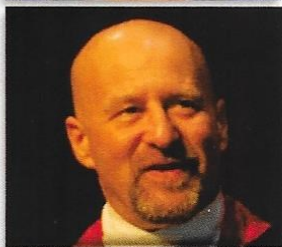
Dr. Ray Guarendi
National Speaker, EWTN/
Radio Evangelist and
Author



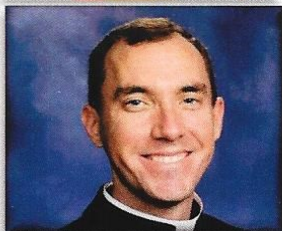
Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmono
Bishop of Charleston



Chad Justice
National Inspirational
Speaker & Author,
Lafayette, LA



Fr. Dwight Longenecker
National Speaker and Au-
thor. Pastor, Our Lady of
the Rosary, Greenville,
SC



Fr. Matthew Gray
Parochial Vicar,
St Gregory the Great,
Bluffton, SC

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- Deepen your relationship with Christ?
- Be a better father, son, husband and man?
- Be a spiritual leader in your family, church, work place, and community?

This conference is for you!

Come and fill your spiritual toolbox with the information you need to build your faith and lead your family.

COST: \$40 Pre-Registration / \$50 at the door

Discounts for: Knights of Columbus • Knights of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem • Knights of Peter Claver • Ancient Order of Hibernians • College/HS Students • Early Registration

Includes light breakfast and lunch

REGISTRATION:

On-line at www.sccatholicmensconf.org or mail check to: Edward M. Griffin | 742 Cherry Hills Place | Rock Hill, SC 29730-8219

Registration at 7:30 a.m., Mass 9:00 a.m., Presentations 10:15 a.m., Conclude 4:00 p.m.

HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS:

Hampton Inn – North Charleston | 2688 Fernwood Drive | North Charleston, SC 29406 | (843) 735-7500 | Price: \$104 plus tax | Book prior to February 25, 2016 | "South Carolina Catholic Men's Conference"