



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights and Families,

I hope everyone had a very Blessed and Merry Christmas and that you enjoyed ringing in the New Year. Through your efforts in December we had a very successful Christmas Wreath fundraiser, we assisted with the delivery of several truck loads of donated toys and bicycles, and we made thousands of dollars of donations to local charities, our clergy and the seminarians we sponsor. We also took time to celebrate 25 years of service that our Council has provided to the Church, community and each other. A special thank you goes out to Neil Whitman and the event committee for their time and efforts putting together a very successful event.

Upcoming this month there are Right to Life activities in Columbia, SC (January 12th) and in Washington DC. (January 25th). As we continue in this Year of Faith let us do what we can to cultivate a Culture of Life.

This month marks the midway point of our fraternal year. To date we have achieved 65% of our membership goal and we have had several new and existing First Degree Knights that have progressed through their Second and Third Degrees, two of my goals for this year as Grand Knight. During this month there are more opportunities to make progress with these goals. Our annual Oyster Roast fundraiser on Saturday, January 19th at Gold Bug Island provides an excellent recruiting opportunity. On Monday, January 14th there is a Second Degree Exemplification at Blessed Sacrament in West Ashley. If you plan to make your Second Degree, please inform me or our Financial Secretary, Joe Harkins and please make sure you pay your dues for this year.

REMINDER: If you have any potential First Degree Candidates, please continue to talk with them as we have a First Degree Exemplification scheduled for our monthly meeting on Thursday, January 17th. Please consult with our membership and retention chairman Jack Urbanic if you need assistance or additional information.

As we begin this new calendar year, let us all strive to make this Year of Faith a time of spiritual growth, charitable outreach, and developing a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.

YBIC,

Mark Lazo, Grand Knight



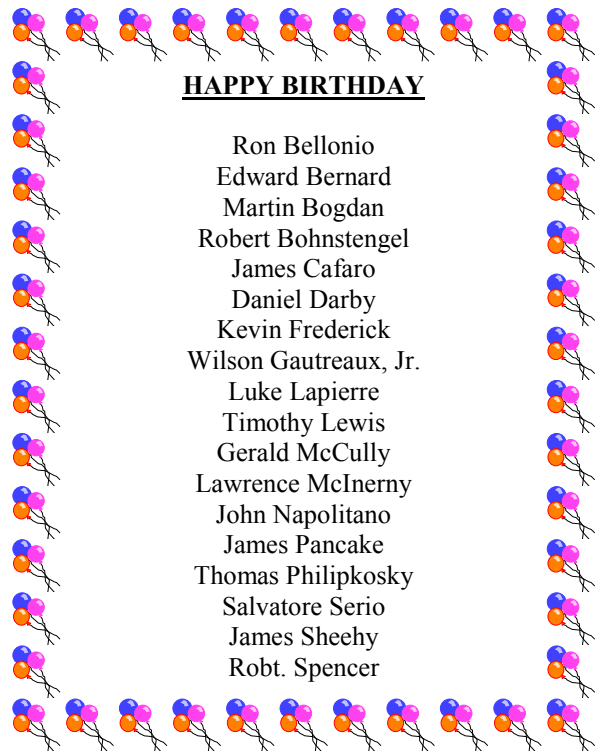
CALENDAR OF THE MONTH

JANUARY

New Year's 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.	
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	
Martin Luther King Jr.	21
Assembly Meeting	23
Rev. Vincent Capodanno Assembly 3243	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	
March for Life	24
Washington, DC	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Ron Bellonio
- Edward Bernard
- Martin Bogdan
- Robert Bohnstengel
- James Cafaro
- Daniel Darby
- Kevin Frederick
- Wilson Gautreaux, Jr.
- Luke Lapierre
- Timothy Lewis
- Gerald McCully
- Lawrence McInerny
- John Napolitano
- James Pancake
- Thomas Philipkosky
- Salvatore Serio
- James Sheehy
- Robt. Spencer



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH
December, 2012
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.

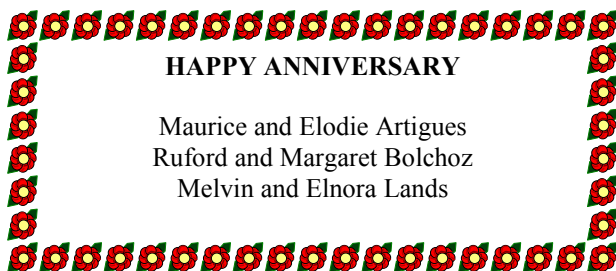
Lou enjoys bowling and time with his family and friends.

Congratulations Lou !!!!!

YOUTH OF THE MONTH
December, 2012
Zachary Norman

Zachary has been raised in the Catholic Church and is an active member of Christ Our King Parish. He attended COK/SM from pre-school through 6th grade and then transferred to and graduated from Charleston Catholic. He has been an altar server for a number of years and also helps with special masses (weddings and funerals) when asked. He has participated in the Catholic Youth Organization at the Cathedral while he was at Charleston Catholic and also at Christ Our King and on occasion at St. Benedict's. He has been an active member of the Snee Farm swim team since age 5 and up until this year was active in basketball for COK/SM and Charleston Catholic as well as rec league soccer. He is very good with art. He gets along well with everyone and tends to emerge as a leader amongst his peers. Zachary has participated in a number of service events with the Catholic Youth Organization and other opportunities such as the Buddy Walk sponsored by Bishop England for kids with special needs. He also nominated by his algebra teacher and won the Golden Warrior Award for his conduct, attitude and respect for his fellow classmates, faculty and staff at Wando High School.

Congratulations Zachary !!!!!



FAMILY OF THE MONTH
December, 2012
Ron and Joan Bellonio

Ron and Joan Bellonio have been married for 49 years and have 2 children and 2 grandchildren. Ron and Joan grew up in Massachusetts and lived in New Hampshire, New Jersey, and Utah before making their permanent home in South Carolina. Ron has been a management and business consultant for the last 25 years. Prior to that, he held positions in health care as an Assistant Director of Fiscal Services, Nursing and Staffing, CFO and CEO, and spent several years in industrial construction. He also spent two years teaching at the college level. Joan is retired; previously holding a position of Director of Human Resources. Their eldest daughter is in the computer field their youngest daughter is married with two children and is currently working in the education field.

Ron joined the Knights last year and has attained the 4th degree. He serves in the Honor Guard at the Chrism Mass, Adoration, and the Abortion Clinic March in Charleston. He will also participate at the Right to Life March in Columbia next month.

Ron and Joan attend Christ Our King, where he ushers and she serves as a Eucharistic Minister. Ron is currently working on the golf tournament for March of 2013 and volunteers with Joan at the book sale, oyster roast, spaghetti dinner and wreath sale.

Congratulations Ron and Joan !!!!!

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.

CHARITY IN MOTION

This year the race will be on Saturday April 6, 2013. I would like to challenge you to help me raise money for ECCO and St. Vincent DePaul. Over the last 3 races, we have raised in excess of \$7,600. I would like to challenge the council to top the \$3,500 mark this year.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

YBIC,
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INSURANCE

My Dear Brother Knights,

About a month ago, the new year started for the Church. And now the new secular year begins. What is key for us is always to assess how we are and where we are going. And start of a new year—new beginning—gives us the opportunity to do that.

So now is the time for us to assess how we are doing as Brother Knights and how we are doing as Catholics. It is also a time for us to either make a financial plan or to look at how well our financial plan is progressing.

What? You don't have a financial plan. Give me a call and I'll stop over and together we can build one. Creating a financial plan, if you are younger, or estate planning if you are a little older, are two of the services that are offered by your trained and licensed Knights of Columbus insurance agent.

I wish you all a healthy and happy New Years!
Your Brother Knight,

Steve Kramp
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
East Cooper Council # 9475

ANNUAL OYSTER ROAST & BENEFIT
Saturday, January 19, 2013 - 6:30 PM
Gold Bug Island
(at the foot of Ben Sawyer Bridge)
12yrs. & older \$25.00 - All Children \$8.00
Includes Oyster, Fish Stew, Hot Dogs, Beer and Wine - No Coolers

Tom A. Franzone - 843-884-5670

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
FEBRUARY

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	01
COK - 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	02
COK - 7:30 AM	
Officer's Meeting_____	07
COK - Life Center - 7 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	07
Stella Maris - 8PM to 8 AM	
Ash Wednesday_____	13
Valentine's Day_____	14
President's Day_____	18
Business Meeting_____	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7:15 PM	
Exemplification_____	22-23
Double Tree Hotel - Columbia, SC	
KOC Soup and Sandwich Night_____	27
Stella Maris - 6PM	
Officer's Meeting_____	27
Rev. Vincent Capodanno Assembly 3243	



**GOD BLESS AMERICA
AND
GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS**