



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights,

On behalf of Council 9475 Brother Knights, our heartfelt thanks to our Past Grand Knight Mark Lazo for his leadership of our Council this past year. During the past year, the number of Brother Knights who progressed from 1st degree to 2nd degree or 3rd degree was increased significantly. Plus the sum of funds contributed to charitable organizations was increased.

A look to the year ahead, the plan is to emphasize the 'fraternal' and 'charity' aspects of being a Knight. Some of the new ways that the 'fraternal' aspects of being a Knight may be implemented might include: first, create at least one new way to integrate our 1st degree knights into the Council; second, implement at least one new way that a new knight and his wife can meet other knights and their wives; and finally, implement at least one new way to encourage knights who haven't attended our Council meetings recently to do so. The 'charity' aspect of being a Knight may be emphasized in the year ahead in the following ways. First, encourage groups of Brother Knights to be involved in volunteer activities as the need arise (e.g., help build a house for Habitat for Humanity). Second, implement at least one new way to involve a more diverse representation of Brother Knights in volunteer and fund raising events.

And finally, I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a happy and blessed Independence Day on July 4th. One that is filled with fun filled activities, a cook out or a day at the beach. We have much to be thankful for on this day as we celebrate the many freedoms that we have because we live in this fine Country.

Fraternally,

Frank Osage
Grand Knight

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Have a safe and
Happy Fourth of
July



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

Independence Day	04
Nocturnal Adoration	04
Stella Maris - 8 PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	05
COK - 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-life/Rosary	06
COK - 7:30 AM	
Officer's Meeting	11
COK - Life Center - 7 PM	
Regular Business Meeting	18
St. Benedict's parish hall	
6:30 - Dinner	
7:15 - Meeting	
Night at River dogs	26
Grand Knights Workshop	27
Columbia, SC.	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Gerald Baty
Stephen Beach
Ruford Bolchoz
Gerald Bresnihan
Thomas Brown
William Brown
Jack Cleghorn
Anthony Francin
Thomas A. Franzone
John Gallagher
Matthew Kiefer
Thomas Knisley, Jr.
Melvin Lands
Ebbo Leonzio
John Maize
Mike McGinty
James Morini
Paul O'Rourke
Frank Osage
Steven Ruether
Barry Socia
Donald Thatcher
Ernie Torres
Jay Tronco
Michael Vasko
Henry Wolf

Family of the Month
June, 2013
Joe and Jeannie Scheirman

Joe and Jeannie Scheirman have been married for 37 years and have 3 children, 3 grandchildren, and one on the way. Both Joe and Jeannie were born and raised in Charleston, WV where they lived until they moved to Mt. Pleasant in 2008.

Joe is a former Charleston, WV policeman, Administrative Assistant for the county Circuit Clerk, and Supervisory Staff Administrator for the 4th Brigade, U.S. Army. Joe is also a retired Sergeant Major. Jeannie is a retired elementary school teacher, having taught at the same school for all 37 years of her career.

Joe joined the Knights in 2007 and became a Sir Knight in 2009. He is a member of our Honor Guard and has participated in numerous Regalia ceremonies, one of which was the Dedication Ceremony of Saint Benedict Church. He has volunteered at wreath sales, book sales, spaghetti dinners, and Tootsie Roll sales.

Joe and Jeannie attend Saint Benedict, where he is an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister, and a Columbarium Committee member; and she is a Lector, and member of the Women's Club. Both volunteer at the Women's Club Arts and Craft Show.

Joe has authored and self-published 4 books. He likes to draw in his spare time. She enjoys reading and walking, especially at the beach. They both enjoy going to movies and watching their grandchildren at soccer games and swim meets. Their favorite activity is to spend time together, especially on a cruise ship.

Congratulations Joe and Jeannie !!!!!



Knight of the Month
June, 2013
Ebbo Leonzio (Al)

Al was born July 21, 1921 and raised in Wilmington, Delaware. He was married to the late Josephine DeCarlo Leonzio. They were married on April 22, 1941. They had 3 children, 7 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

He was in the US Army in World War II, stationed in Osaka, Japan. He was a motor pull sargent in 27th regiment - 25th infantry division. He retired from Delmarva, Power and Light in Edgemoor, Delaware after 28 years service.

He moved to Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina in 2011 to be near his daughter, Frances and her family.

Al is a member of Christ Our King Church where he serves as greeter at the 9:30 AM mass. He joined the Knights of Columbus in Delaware and transferred to East Cooper Council 9475 and is a third degree Knight. He has helped with the oyster roast, spaghetti dinner, book sale and operation hope.

He enjoys golfing, bowling, reading, tinsel painting and decorating the church, and watching sports on TV.

Congratulations Al !!!!!

Family of the Year
2013
Greg & Kathy Raven

Greg was born in Chicago and raised outside of New York City, graduating from Bucknell University. He spent the next 30 years in the corporate sector, from NYC to Boston and Cleveland, in Financial and General Management. He retired in 2001. Not resting long he began pursuing new opportunities, which ultimately led him to cross paths with Kathy.

Kathy was born and raised in Brooklyn, NY, relocating to Miami in the 70's and working in the mortgage industry. She became the first female mortgage loan originator in the State of Florida. She relocated to Charleston in 1996.

Greg and Kathy married in 2009 at Tavern On The Green in NYC.

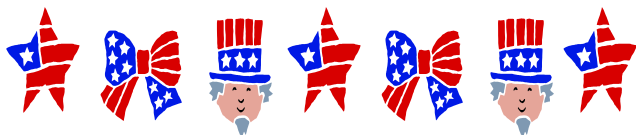
Greg joined the Knights in 2010 and is a Third Degree Knight. Greg volunteers at the Book Sale, Spaghetti Dinner, Oyster Roast and the Free Throw Tournament.

The Ravens are members of Christ Our King Church, where they serve as Usher, Greeters, Gift Bearers, and support Samaritan's Purse and Operation Christmas Child.

Greg and Kathy are proud parents of 5 children and grandparents to 1.

Their hobbies include golf, travel, and reading.

Congratulations Greg and Kathy !!!!!



**Knight of the Year
2013
Louis Richter**

Lou is a native Charlestonian where he 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.

Lou joined the Knights in 1967, and is a Fourth Degree Knight and serves on the 1st Degree Team providing the music for the Degree. He has served as Lecture and Inside Guard. Lou is always willing to help with all projects.

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

His hobbies include bowling and time with his family and friends.

Congratulations Lou !!!!!

Congratulations

Congratulations to our newest Knights, who received their 1st Degree on June 21, 2013. They are Connor Herlihy, Nicholas Zimmerman and Trip Hoover. We also had one transfer, Tyler Boone. Welcome to our Knights of Columbus family.

**Calendar of Events
August**

Nocturnal Adoration_____	01
Stella Maris - 8 PM to 8 AM	
Officers Meeting _____	01
Life Center - 7 PM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	02
COK - 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	03
COK - 7:30 AM	
Regular Business Meeting _____	15
St. Benedicts Parish Hall	
6:30: Dinner	
7:15: Meeting	
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary _____	15
Holy Day of Obligation	
Third Degree _____	17
St. Thomas the Apostle, North Charleston	
Fourth Degree _____	31
Hilton Head	

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	Frank Osage	614-7877
Deputy Grand Knight	Jerry Barnett	884-0210
Chancellor	Richard Bachschmidt	200-6435
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	Mark West	718-6099
Outside Guard	Paul O'Rourke	388-5915
3 Yr. Trustee	Mark Lazo	881-1237
2 Yr. Trustee	DJ Thatcher	513-0214
1 Yr. Trustee	Jim Pancake	856-3887
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		
Community Director	Jonathon Santilli	971-7016
Pro/Life Couple	Don & Kathy Campbell	471-1085
Health Services	D. J. Thatcher	513-0214
Council Director	Victor Mroczkowski	793-8656
Public Relations	Neil Whitman	856-5034
Family Director		
Culture of Life Director	Fred Koch	884-1713
Youth Director	Matt Story	849-7244
Membership Director	Jack Urbanic	886-2591
Admission Chairman	Richard Bachschmidt	200-6435
Recruitment Committee	Jack Urbanic - SM	886-2591
	Ron Bellonio - COK	216-1904
	James Morini - SB	495-0460
Retention Chairman	Jerry Barnett	884-0210
Retention Committee	Jeff Pulaski - COK	972-8193
	Mark Kennedy - COK	849-8871
	Jack Urbanic - SM	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
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AND
GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS**