



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights,

I have had a wonderful time as Grand Knight this past year. I want to thank all the members for their help and hard work in all our undertakings. I also want to thank the officers for their support and help during the year. I only ask that this help is continued for the officers of the coming year.

Remember Cane's Spirt Night on the second Wednesday of every Month. So far we have had nice support but need more. So bring the family out on Wednesday June 8 from 3PM to 8 PM

Our council family picnic will be on Saturday June 18 from 10AM to 2PM at the Wild Dunes Owners Beach House. There will be games for the kids.

The council will supply drinks, burgers, hotdogs and each family is asked to bring a dish.

We are still trying to close out our dues collection and need to hear from our brothers who have not responded to our calls and emails. So please call Bill Shoemaker 843-860-2951

So I say again Thank you and a Happy Father's Day to all.


YBIC  
Bill Shoemaker GK

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS JUNE

Officers Meeting	02
COK — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	02
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	03
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus	03
Pro-Life/Rosary — COK — 7:30 AM	04
KOC Bowling League	07
Pinz — 7 PM	
Spirit Night	08
Cane's — 3—8PM	
Flag Day Ceremony	11
Yorktown @ Patriots Point —9:30 AM	
Regular Business Meeting	16
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
KOC Family Picnic	18
Wild Dunes Beach House — 10 AM—2 PM	
2nd and 3rd Degree	18
Georgetown, SC	
Father's Day	19
Installation of Officers	21
COK—6 PM followed by	
Dinner at Liberty Tap Room	



Join us for a Spirit "Knight" Fundraiser at Raising Cane's in Mt. Pleasant to support the Knights of Columbus. **Eat at Raising Cane's in Mt. Pleasant every 2nd Wednesday 2016 from 3-8 p.m. and Raising Cane's will donate 15% of their sales when you mention the Knights of Columbus!** You can dine in or drive-thru, just make sure to mention Knights of Columbus! Raising Cane's is located at 1777 Hwy. 17 N. in front of Lowe's at Towne Centre.



*James Ball  
Jerry Barnett  
Thomas Beindorf  
Joseph Caturano  
Thomas Cottingham  
John Demo  
Matt Evangelista  
Bill Evans  
Michael Flato  
Richard Garcia  
John Gay  
Gregory Gormley  
Thomas Gwiazdowski  
Connor Herlihy  
John Karnaszewski  
Timothy Keenan  
Ken Kobularcik  
John Maize Jr.  
Patrick McDavid  
Edmund McMahon  
Scott Myers  
Daniel Papineau  
Kenneth Schwallie  
Mark Smith  
Michael Tarala  
Timothy Trouche  
Doug Wilgus*

**Knight of the Month  
May 2016  
Jack Vax**

- Jack Vax is one our most active and dedicated knight. He truly embraces charity and need to help others.
- Born in Pittston, Pa, Jack met his wife (Ruth) in the service and was married for 49 years before she passed away 11 years ago.
- Jack is a 4th degree knight and was elevated to this degree with Bishop Guglielmone 2013.
- The only thing that gives away his age is that he has 4 Children, 9 Grands, and 2 Great Grand Children.
- Jack graduated from the U of Scranton. His hobbies are to read and travel.
- He gets involved in many Knight activities but is famous for organizing our tootsie roll fund raiser and has raised a considerable funds ( over \$1200) last year.

**Congratulations Jack**



Don Campbell left Council Director presents Jack Vax center with Knight of the Month Certificate and Grand Knight Bill Shoemaker right presented Jack with Knights Cup.

**SPOUSE E-MAIL UPDATE:**

Please send your spouse's first and last name with her E-mail address to Neil @ ngwhitman@yahoo.com

**Family of the Month  
May 2016  
Mark and Debbie Lazo**

**MARRIAGE/FAMILY**

Mark and Debbie Lazo

Years Married: 14

Kids: Names: Austin

Age: 18

School: George Mason University – Currently pursuing a degree in mechanical engineering and just completed his freshman year.

Extra-Curricular: Ultimate Frisbee; a capella choir

4-Legged Kids: Tinkerbelle, Ryder, Snoopy and Murphy

Born: Mark – February 10, 1969 (1 of 6 children, 2 brothers & 3 sisters); Debbie – September 30, 1965 (1 of 6 children, 4 sisters, 1 brother)

Mark has been in the Charleston Area since 1996. Debbie has been in Charleston since 1991.

Mark and Debbie met at Wild Wing Café in Mount Pleasant in 1999 and started dating in 2000. Their first date was Palm Sunday mass at Christ Our King followed by brunch at Atlanta Bread Company. The rest as they say is history. They were married on December 8<sup>th</sup> 2002.

Other: Favorite vacation spot – Topsail, NC; Favorite foods/restaurants – Okra Grill, Mustard Seed, Long Point Grill

**CAREER**

Mark: 21 years working in Fire Protection Engineering. Currently a Sr. Fire Protection Engineer with C.E.M.S. Engineering/Architecture.

Debbie: 23 years working in legal field as a Legal Assistant. Currently with Ogletree, Deakins, Nash Smoak and Stewart, P.C.

**HISTORY WITH KNIGHTS**

Mark made his 1<sup>st</sup> Degree in February 2009 and was exemplified in the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree in February 2010. Mark is a past Grand Knight and currently a Trustee. Mark and Debbie Participate in Spaghetti Dinners, Oyster Roasts, Operation Christmas Child, the Christmas Parade Float and other events and activities as time allows.

**HISTORY WITH CATHOLIC CHURCH LOCALLY**

Members of Christ Our King since 2000. They have been gift bearers and Mark is an Alter Server. Usually attend 6:00 PM mass on Saturdays. Both Mark and Debbie are Cursillistas.

**HOBBIES/PASSIONS/INTERESTS/OTHER COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Debbie's passion is rescuing senior dogs, especially German Shepherds. She previously volunteered through a local rescue and is currently researching German Shepard-specific rescues to volunteer with. She is an avid reader and also enjoys home improvement projects, and spending time with her four 4-legged children and Mark (most days).

Mark is an avid tennis player and recently retired from playing softball. He likes cooking, fishing, shrimping, crabbing, home improvement projects and spending time with family.

**Congratulations Mark and Debbie!!**

**Youth of the Month  
May 2016  
Peter "PJ" Bride**

Peter "PJ" Bride is 14 years old and member of Christ Our King parish. Born in New Hampshire, he spent his early childhood at Fort Bragg in North Carolina when his father had a midlife crisis and joined the Army. Despite his father being away with the Army a total of 2 of the first 5 years of his life, PJ developed into a caring, strong boy under the guidance of his mother Jane and older sister Jessica. He also shouldered greater responsibility at age 7 caring for his baby sister Julia when his Dad went to Iraq again for 10 months. PJ and his family arrived at Christ Our King parish in 2013 when his family made the move from St Benedict after he and his sister transferred to the school there. PJ is a member of the Middle School Youth Group and also became an Altar Server when the Sunday 7pm Mass announced its need for servers. He also sang in the Children's Choir and still serves as a school Mass usher.

In the community, PJ volunteers at the VA hospital in the Emergency Department and in the Nursing Home. He is an active member of Boy Scout Troop 529 where he currently serves as quartermaster and also played a key role in their Flag Ceremony for Flag Day on the USS Yorktown. He has helped the Knights of Columbus at their Spaghetti Dinners, Autism party, and Operation Christmas Child. He's been a multiple year volunteer for the annual Palmetto 200 Race and also volunteered at the Traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall last year.

PJ enjoys Christ Our King Stella Maris School but is not sure of a future vocation even though Monsignor Carter told his father he thinks PJ should become a priest. He belonged to the Archery club and also played on the 6<sup>th</sup> grade Diocesan Championship Basketball Team. He currently sings in the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus and is a stage technician for the talent shows and theater productions. He also plays on the tennis team and is one of 3 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys in the area to be picked to play on the Boys Varsity Tennis Team at Bishop England where he plans to matriculate next year. Lastly, one of his personal favorite activities was being chosen to read his poem at the 2015 Veteran's Day Ceremony at his school.

**Congratulations "PJ"**



**The following Brother Knights  
were Nominated and Voted into Office 2016 - 2017**

Grand Knight	Sean O'Toole
Deputy Grand Knight	Don Campbell
Chancellor	Kevin Cunnane
Recorder	Robert Geberth
Treasurer	Jim Welsch
Advocate	Ryan Kinowski
Warden	Michael O'Connor
Inside Guard	John Bride Jr.
Outside Guard	Matt Keifer
3rd Year Trustee	Bill Shoemaker
2nd Year Trustee	Frank Osage
1st Year Trustee	Tom A. Franzone

The Installation of the above Officers is Tuesday June 21 in Christ Our King Life Center, Grace Hall 6 PM and followed by dinner at Liberty Tap Room and Grill, 1028 Johnnie Dodds Blvd. at 7 PM.

**KOC FAMILY PICNIC**

The KOC Family Picnic will be held on Saturday, June 18th from 10AM to 2 PM at the Property Owner's Pavilion at Wild Dunes. The council will provide burgers, hot dogs, fixings and beverages. You are asked to bring a dish to share. Please RSVP to [ngwhitman@yahoo.com](mailto:ngwhitman@yahoo.com) if you plan to attend so that a gate pass can be ordered for you.



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Stan and Jean Adams  
 Eric and Colleen Bendig  
 John and Angela Demo  
 Mark and Diane Dickson  
 Vincent and Kristy Hoover  
 Robert and Linda Humphrey  
 Gene and Natalie Knisley  
 Ben and Joanna Laaper  
 Patrick and Jane McDavid  
 Edmund and Kathy McDowell  
 William and Ruth Ann Murphy  
 William and Penny Shoemaker  
 Thomas and Kim Siwarski  
 Don and Kim Slowek

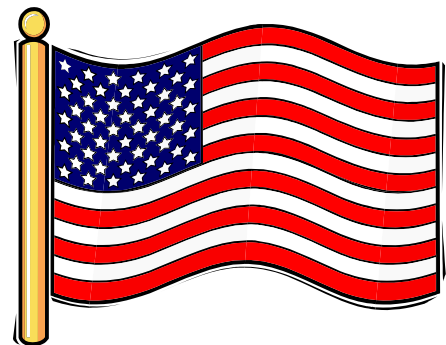


**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
 JULY**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	01
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	02
COK — 7:30 AM	
Independence Day_____	04
Officers Meeting_____	07
COK — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	07
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
KOC Bowling League_____	12
Pinz	
Spirit Night @ Raising Cane's_____	13
3 PM to 8 PM	
Regular Business Meeting_____	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	

**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

Co-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. James A. Carter	843-884-5587
Co-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. McNerny	843-883-3109
Co-Chaplain	Rev. Timothy West	843-471-2121
Grand Knight	Bill Shoemaker	843-884-1378
Deputy Grand Knight	Sean O'Toole	404-271-3999
Chancellor	Greg Raven	843-696-1182
Financial Secretary	Jeff Pulaski	843-972-8193
Recorder	Allen Briggs	843-471-1411
Treasurer	Jack Vax	843-856-2212
Lecturer	Ron Davis	843-856-4950
Advocate	Ryan Kinowski	518-229-8725
Warden	Michael O'Connor	843-416-8818
Inside Guard	John Bride Jr.	843-388-5147
Outside Guard	Kevin Cunnane	843-216-5354
3 Yr. Trustee	Frank Osage	843-830-7263
2 Yr. Trustee	Tom Franzone	843-884-5670
1 Yr. Trustee	Mark Lazo	843-881-1237
Program Director	Tom A. Franzone	843-884-5670
Church Director	Tom A. Franzone COK	843-884-5670
	Jack Urbanic SM	843-886-2591
	Bobby Geberth - SB	843-654-9549
	Jerry Gimbert SC of A	843-655-9111
Vocations Chairman	Anthony Herlihy	843-388-7647
Community Director	Bill Shoemaker	843-884-1378
Pro/Life Couple	Don & Kathy Campbell	843-471-1085
Health Services	D. J. Thatcher	843-513-0214
Council Director	Don Campbell	843-471-1085
Public Relations	Neil Whitman	843-856-5034
Family Director	Kevin Cunnane	843-216-5354
Culture of Life Director	Fred Koch	843-884-1713
Youth Director	Sean O'Toole	404-271-3999
Membership Director	Joe Harkins	843-881-5768
Admission Chairman	Greg Raven	843-696-1182
Recruitment Committee	Jack Urbanic - SM	843-886-2591
	Marion Wright - COK	843-884-0140
	Joe Harkins - SB	843-881-5768
	Thomas Gwiazdowski	757-373-4814
Retention Chairman	Sean O'Toole	404-271-3999
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	Don Lindeman- SM	843-886-2591
	Stan Adams - SB	843-884-8331
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