



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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Dear Brother Knights,

The Valentine Day dance was surely *A Night to Cherish!* As I sat in the outside listening to the music and laughter emanating from the hall, I knew we had a winner! The decorations were perfect. The food was excellent. There was music and dancing with plenty of pictures to share. We had prizes and raffles and finally a visit from Monsignor Carter. Thank you to Debbie and everyone on the Committee. I have already received suggestions that this should be an annual event – so if you missed out this year mark your calendar for next year.

If you did not attend the last meeting, you missed a great speaker. We had Mount Pleasant Chief of Police, Cal Ritchie tell us about the challenges and successes of protecting the residents East of the Cooper. Among other things, he shared personal crime prevention tips and how his department is keeping up with the extraordinary growth. It was an illuminating evening.

Next up, the Eighth Annual Golf Tournament. The event is held to benefit the Daughters of St. Paul. The Wild Dunes Harbor Course will be the sight of the event this year. The date is March 21. Sign-in starts at 11:30. The tournament begins with a shotgun start at 1 PM. For registration contact Bob Fintak 803-917-1530 or bfin-tak@yahoo.com. For sponsor information, contact Jim Welsch at 843-849-1979 (home), 843-442-9614 (cell), or email at welschj@hotmail.com.

Lent is upon us. As Knights we are called to serve. There are two opportunities coming up, soup suppers at a couple of the parishes. Stella Maris needs help on March 15. Ryan Kinowski is organizing our efforts there. St. Benedict needs us on March 24. Bobby Gerbeth is the contact. Please volunteer if you can.

Fraternally,
Sean O'Toole

CALENDAR OF EVENTS MARCH

Ash Wednesday	01
Officers Meeting	02
COK—Life Center—6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	02
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	03
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	04
COK — 7:30 AM	
Soup and Sandwich at Stella Maris	15
Followed by Stations of the Cross—6PM	
Regular Business Meeting	16
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Golf Tournament	21
Wild Dunes Harbor Course	
Soup Supper	24
St. Benedict's followed by Stations of the Cross	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Matt Blackwood
Richard Buchicchio
Mark Calabrese
James Carter
Paul Cheverie

Gerard Gaeta
Anthony Jadick
Matthew Jones
Alfred Lopez
Dino Massoglia
Ian Maurer
Henry Miller
Joseph Myers
Nazario Paragano
Isaac Perkins

Joseph Rosenberger
Barry Sturmer
Jon Tirpak
Tim Voit
Steven White
Neil Whitman



Spirit "Knight" Fundraiser at Raising Cane's
To support the Knights of Columbus



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 starting 2017 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.

**Youth of the Month
February 2017
Jessica Rose LaForge**

Jessica Rose is a senior at Wando High School. She is applying to colleges in South Carolina and will be studying Graphic Design. She has a passion for photography and the arts. She has applied her passion by submitting her photos to Wando High School Magazine and has been honored by her pictures being published. She is very active in her school and has also received the Wando Warrior award for her citizenship in school. This is an honorable award because it is received by very few students. Jessica is also a very responsible outside of school and in her spare time, she works for Starbucks at Harris Teeter.

Jessica and her family are members of St Benedict Church and are very active parishioners. Jessica has served as an altar server, helping in the children's nursery and with Vacation Bible school for several summers. She also was a member of the High School Youth Group.

Jessica and her family love the outdoors. Each year the family takes a vacation of hiking and camping. They have traveled to many states to experience God's creations. Jessica shares her love for the outdoors with her peers and currently she is a member of St. Benedict's Venture Crew 529 which is a co-ed scouting group under BSA. With the Crew, Jessica has helped in many service projects and has participated in many outings.



Left is Jessica's Mother Sherri right is Jessica's sister Erica receiving Youth of the Month Certificate from Deputy Grand Knight Don Campbell because Jessica was scheduled to work.

Congratulations Jessica!!!

**Knight of the Month
February 2017
Joe Tarr**

- Joe hails from the Philadelphia area but relocated to Mt Pleasant area 27 years ago
- Was married to his wife Cecilia for 37 years before passing away in December, 2013
- Joe attended LaSalle and went to work for Wulbern-Koval and retired in 2015
- Blessed with five Children, two are in local area
- Competing with Deacon Kevin for longest serving first degree
- Joe will help on a variety of projects by the Knights. Always is big contributor at church bazaar

Congratulations Joe!!!



**Guest Speaker
Chief Carl Ritchie**



The Chief gave us a great talk on many topics his Officers expectations, traffic, drugs, crime, Mt. Pleasant growth and because of growth the need for more Officers.



Deputy Grand Knight Don Campbell thanks Chief Ritchie for taking the time to talk to our council and presents him with a Knights Cup in appreciation .

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
APRIL

Pro-Life/Rosary_____	01
COK — 7:30 AM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	06
Stella Maris—8 PM to 8 AM	
Officers Meeting_____	06
Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	07
COK — 7:30 to 5:00 PM	
Palm Sunday_____	09
Holy Thursday_____	13
Good Friday_____	14
Holy Saturday_____	15
Easter Sunday_____	16
Regular Business Meeting_____	20
St. Benedict' Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Gerard and Michelle Gaeta
 Timothy and Sue Hensch
 Brian and Darla Justice
 Ryan and Courtney Kinowski
 Charles and Susan Momeier
 Herman and Kathleen Pundt
 Barry and Jacquie Sturmer

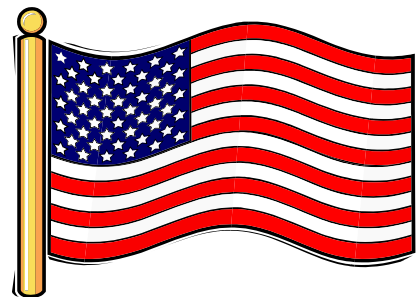


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Congratulations to Sir Knight John Maize left and Sir Knight Tom Siwarski right who took their 4th Degree Exemplification February 18, 2017.



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