



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights:

Becoming a Knight is a process and obtaining the degrees of the order completes that process. We have many first degree Knights who should consider attending the second and third degrees scheduled just up the road in Georgetown in April at St. Mary's. On April 6, the second degree is scheduled and on April 13, the Knighthood or third degree is scheduled. The degrees help form us as Knights in fully understanding the historic and ongoing works of the Knights of Columbus. Please consider attending these degrees.

We welcomed new Deacons last month and should all make a personal effort to support them in their ministries. The long process of becoming a Deacon is one that few men are able to undertake or complete. As we have seen with our own Deacon Kevin Campbell, the service the Deacons provide in the modern church is invaluable.

Thank you to all the Brother Knights that worked the Project Columbia Hope tootsie roll fundraiser in February. Thanks especially Bill Shoemaker for your efforts coordinating.

The council has established a High School scholarship for Bishop England. Joey Keller took the lead in establishing the scholarship and he should be commended for his efforts. This is another great example of the fruits of our significant fundraising efforts throughout the year, so thanks as well to all the Knights that make this possible.

Kevin M. Cunnane  
GK 9475

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MARCH

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	01
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary	02
COK — 7:30 AM	
Officers Meeting	07
COK — Life Center — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	07
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Regular Business Meeting	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall 950 Darrell Creek Trail, 29466 Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7 PM There is a First Degree.	
Vigil at Abortion Clinic	24
See Don Campbell E-mail sign-up sheet. Sunday 24, from 7 AM to 7 PM.	

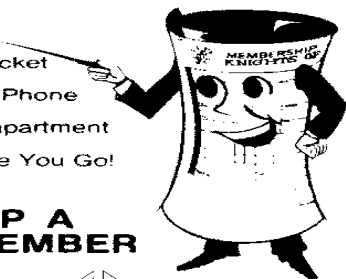
## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Matt Blackwood
- Richard Buchicchio
- James Carter
- Leroy Ceresa
- Paul Cheverie
- Lawrence Elberfeld
- Matt Feltman
- Gerard Gaeta
- Christopher Guzzetta
- Matthew Jones
- Joseph Keller
- Alfred Lopez
- Dino Massoglia
- Ian Maurer
- Henry Miller
- Joseph Myers
- Joseph Nesbitt
- Nazario Paragano
- Isaac Perkins
- Joseph Rosenberger
- Barry Sturmer
- Piotr Tarala
- Jon Tirpak
- John Tortorici
- Jim Versteegen
- Tim Voit
- Steven White
- Neil Whitman



## Form #100 Belongs in All of These Places

- Briefcase
- In Your Pocket
- Near Your Phone
- Glove Compartment
- Everywhere You Go!



**SIGN UP A  
NEW MEMBER  
TODAY!**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Family of the Month  
February 2019  
Ron and Deb Davis**

Ron grew up in Columbia, SC in a very strict Catholic family. Deb grew up as a "Military Brat" in a Protestant family and moved all over the country / world including Morocco. They met as blind dates in Columbia in 1967. Deb converted to Catholicism in 1968 and they married in 1969. Ron and Deb moved to the Isle of Palms in 1972 (where they raised their family, and to Mt. Pleasant in 1999, where they remain today. They will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on October 17.

Ron served in the Marine Corps Reserve for six years before switching to the USAF Reserves where he retired in 1991, and retired from BP/Amoco in 1999. Ron served six months active duty in Operation Desert Storm. Ron and Deb have run their own business, Carolina Coin Amusement for the last 39 years. They worked together since the beginning and are looking forward to a retirement – hopefully, “one day soon!”

Ron joined the Knights as a 1st Degree in 1992, made his 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> Degrees in 1995/96. He’s held the present position of Lecturer since April 2002. Ron likes to help the Christ our King Bazaar, Tootsie Roll sales with his grandson, assisting parking at the Oyster Roast and occasionally with the book sale. His main gift to the Knights for the last 14+ years has been to “help increase the numbers” by providing a hot meal before the monthly meeting.

Ron and Deb were members of Stella Maris Church until Hurricane Hugo necessitated a move to Mt. Pleasant. Ron served as Head Usher and alter server for many years at Christ Our King Parish. He has always been quick to help others when they need "a man with a truck". Ron has been helpful with moving books for the book sale and moving items for E.C.C.O. and for Sister Cyril for many years.

Deb was a choir member and Cantor at Christ our King for over 22 years and she also served as the Funeral Choir Coordinator during that time under Bill Becknell. She retired from those ministries several years ago to spend time with her family during mass. She was also active on the PTA board at S.I. Elementary and Laing Middle School for many years. Now, she is involved with helping her very active grandson who lives with them full-time.

One of the greatest joys that they received during their marriage was the gift of being Foster Parents to many foster children in the 1980’s. Out of that experience, they came to adopt their fourth child, Joe, who is a blessing to their family. They encourage any couple who may be looking into adoption to investigate the foster care system right here in Charleston County. Please feel free to call Deb if you need any encouragement.

Ron and Deb have four children and five grandchildren: Jay, an artist, is also the Curator for the Sloan-Kettering Memorial Cancer Hospital in NYC. He lives in Brooklyn, NY with his wife, Molly and their six-month-old son, Sy. Tina, the mother of Eva, recently sold her salon in Mt. Pleasant and moved to Columbia where she is focusing on her profession as an Independent Young Living Oil Consultant and a Certified Raindrop Therapist. Wendy and her husband, Evan, are teachers where they live in New Delhi, India with their two children, Oakes and Wren.

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They have been on staff at the US Embassy School there for the past 5 years and they love it there. Joe lives in Mt. Pleasant with his son, Graham. He owns his own Property Management Company.

**Congratulations Ron and Deb!!!**



Above left is our Council Director Tony Certa presenting Ron Davis with the Family of the Month Certificate.

**Knight of the Month  
February 2019  
Danny McKay**

- Danny is a long term Knight having joined in 1993 and is currently 3rd Degree.
- He is a native Charlestonian, having graduated from the High School of Charleston and Trident Technical College.
- Danny started in the residential HVAC industry in 1975, the moved to commercial side and life safety sales in 1980.
- Danny is now in his 39th year with Hoffman and Hoffman.
- Danny has five children; Kati Quinn, Sheri Ann, Beth, Russell, J.R. And seven grandchildren.
- Danny is a member of Stella Maris. He is a remarkable person and faithful Knight who is always willingly to pitch in on any job, big or small. His latest contribution was hours served in helping our Oyster roast become a huge success.

**Congratulations Danny!!!**



Above left is our Council Director Don Campbell presenting Danny McKay with Knight of the Month Certificate and Knights cup.



**IF YOU MISSED OUR 2019 OYSTER ROAST  
HERE ARE A FEW PICTURES OF  
A GREAT EVENT**



Enjoying eating the Oysters.



Folks just enjoying each others company.



Oysters are so good no one looking up.



left is Debbie Pulaski and right Diana Barnett our dessert chairman . Center is Julie Gautreaux helper.



Here Are a Few Pictures  
Of  
Knights and Potential Knight  
Working Columbus Hope Fund Raiser



Left to right Tom Kenzik, Coleman and Tom Franzone



Left to right Jim Sheehy, Joe Scheirman and Fred Koch



Left to right Tom Sloggett and Ken Kobularcik



## Meditation on God's Love for Us

1 Jn 4: 11-18; Mk 6:45-52

Our meditation today helps us focus on God's love for us and what happens to us when his love permeates our lives so that it radiates from us in all the things we do and say. As we read this meditation let us reflect on God's love in our lives and how we can increase that love.

God is love. The whole of the Gospel and Christianity can be summed up in these three words: God is love.

In the First Letter of John, who was an apostle and perhaps the best friend of Jesus, we are invited into the mystery of God's love. He connects God's love with the love we need to have in order to live our lives as Christians. The love of God allows us to love him and our neighbors. God is love and if we remain in love, we remain in God and God remains in us. It is a great place to be. The love of God is a profound mystery but not in the sense that it is not accessible to us. It is a mystery because it does not leave us neutral or indifferent. In the face of God's love, we are compelled to respond with our lives. If we place our trust in God's love, our lives will be radically different. God's love is not a warm and fuzzy feeling. God's love is life transforming. It heals us of our sins and dispels the darkness of fear and anxiety. We are made new creations. The love of God is life changing as the love of God drives out fear. There is no fear in love. The perfect love of God drives out all fear.

We all have things in our lives that cause us to fear, to have anxiety. Sometimes we will have some huge problem which seems insurmountable. If we turn it over to God, to God's love for us and we are able to place God's love in our hearts and minds, often times we will be able

to put this huge problem into the little box it belongs in. In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus appears upon the scene to calm the strong seas that were frightening the apostles. His love is stronger than whatever fear grips the hearts and minds of the apostles.

Only God's love is perfect. Only God's love drives out fear. Today we are invited to entrust ourselves to this divine, to this perfect love of God. Will we accept this invitation?



Deacon Kevin Campbell