



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights and Spouses

This month's events should remind us of why we invest our time in the Knights of Columbus. The basic tenets of KofC, Charity - Unity-Fraternity- Patriotism were at the fore front during the Month of April. Our golf tournament raised a record amount in support of the Daughters of St Paul, the Speech contest was a remarkable success and unified our relationship with the Catholic school, the Tootsie Roll campaign strengthened our tie to Operation Hope, the Spaghetti Dinner once again provided a good time and excellent food to the church community and outreach to many home bound parish members and finally, the Council meeting featuring Mayor Haynie connected with the local community. My thanks to the many Knights and Spouses who made these events happen.

Don't forget we have the ever popular Harbor cruise coming up on May 11th - please see Neil Whitman for tickets! Plans are being finalized to conduct the Spring book sale - stay tuned for news from Marion and Jerry.

I am excited we will be voting for a new slate of officers at the May 17th Council meeting. The candidates are outstanding leaders who care deeply for the Knights. I am sure your insight and suggestions to improve any aspect of our Council activities will be welcome.

I look forward to seeing you in the near future.

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Join us for a "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 2018 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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

Officers Meeting_____	03
COK —Life Center — 6:30 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	
Harbor Cruise_____	11
General Beauregard at Patriot's Point	
8:30 PM to 10:30 Boarding 8 PM	
\$30 each / \$60 per couple	
Ascension_____	13
Mother's Day_____	13
Regular Business Meeting_____	17
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7 PM	
Memorial Day_____	28

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*William Arent
Joseph Bandiera
William Bladykas
Frank Budd
Donald Burkard
Don Campbell*

*Donald Carbone
Daniel Clerici
Kevin Crean
Ron Davis
Roland DeVita
George Detyens
Dean Ellis
James Fisher
Josh Headley
Ryan Kinowski
John Marrs Jr.
Michael Merwin*



*Joseph Palisi
Edward Robinson
Norman Russell
John Simisky*

2018–2019 OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Grand Knight	Kevin Cunnane
Deputy Grand Knight	Tom Siwarski
Chancellor	Joe Killer
Recorder	Robert Geberth
Treasurer	Jim Welsch
Advocate	Bob Fintak
Warden	Joe Nesbitt
Inside Guard	Jerry Gimbert
Outside Guard	Joe Harkins Jr.
3 rd Year Trust	Don Campbell
2 nd Year Trustee	Sean O'Toole
1 st Year	Bill Shoemaker

These candidates were presented at the March regular business meeting and to be voted on between the May 1st and June 15th regular business meeting.

Nominating Committee:

Sean O'Toole
Bill Shoemaker
Frank Osage



Brother Knights handing out Tootsie Rolls and collecting donations for Operation Hope are left Joe Scheirman and Edmund McDowell



Above are left Jim Welsch and Jeff Pulaski couple more of the many volunteers that handed out Tootsie Rolls and collected donations for Operation Hope.

**Family of the Month
Joe and Jody Nesbitt
April 2018**

Joe and Jody Nesbitt met in Terre Haute, IN while Joe attended Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology studying Civil Engineering and Jody attended Saint Mary of the Woods studying Studio Art. Joe was originally from California and Jody from Indiana. They were married at Saint Jude Catholic Church in Fort Wayne, IN.

Upon graduation from college, Joe briefly worked for Chicago Bridge and Iron as a Field Engineer prior to going on active duty in the U.S. Army for 29 years. That odyssey took the family to Germany and 11 stateside postings. In addition Joe was stationed, unaccompanied, in Panama, South Korea, Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan. During this time Jody occupied her time as first a stay home mother and then a travel agent working for several different travel agencies. After retiring from the Army Joe worked for ITT as the Fort Bragg Port Coordinator at the Charleston Naval Weapons Station and then CGI, doing field services business development. He is now semiretired working as a defense logistics consultant. Jody continues providing travel services and opportunities.

Jody and Joe have three children: Paul, Kristen and Mark living in Columbus, OH, Lexington, KY and Chicago IL respectively. In addition they have four grandchildren: Campbell, Cooper, Charlie and Lucy. The Nesbitt's have been active members in Saint Benedict since 2004 where Jody is on the parish council and Joe serves as an usher and Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister.

Joe joined the Knights of Columbus November 2017 and is a Third Degree Knight. He is looking forward to actively supporting and participating in many Knights activities.

Congratulations Joe and Jody!!!



Left to right Family Director Kevin Cunnane presented Jody and Joe Nesbitt with Certificate and Knights cup for Family of the Month April 2018.

**Knight of the Month
Bill Shoemaker
April 2018**

- Bill is the type of man Father McGivney was thinking of when he chartered the Knights of Columbus back in the 1800's

- He is devout, generous, enthusiastic, and caring of his fellow Knights

- Bill unselfishly gives of his time and resources and is the cornerstone of this Council. He is the commander of the color guard- the ceremonial face to the community. He is the unofficial advisor to the Grand Knight and every officer of the Council where his view point is sought before important decisions are made.

- Bill set the example for all of us this past winter when he volunteered to rebuild homes damaged in Texas from flood and storms. He carried the flag of charity - the hall mark of which the Knights were founded

- Bill is this month's Knight of the Month - he will not want the attention, but that's the type of man he is. Bill Shoemaker, our Knight of the Month - and so much more!!!!

Congratulations Bill!!!



Right Grand Knight and Council Director Don Campbell awards Bill Shoemaker the Knight of the Month for April 2018 Certificate and Knights cup.



SPOUSE E-MAIL UPDATE:

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

If she is not receiving Newsletter or Knights information.

**Knights of Columbus Council 9475
9th Annual Golf Tournament for
The Daughters of St Paul**



Above is Sister Margret of the Daughters of St. Paul standing in front of the score boards after the tournament. The first place winners were Blair Muir, Louis Muir, Chris Calabrese and Rick Cahill with a score of 56. Second place were Mark Iazo, Corey Greer, Frankie Hamer and Stephen Mahaffey with a score of 57.



Above is a wealth of good food salad, macaroni and cheese, rice and kielbasa sausage, grilled chicken, grilled sausage and pulled pork plus refreshments. A good time was had by all!

**Our Guest Speaker
Mayor Will Haynie
of
Mount Pleasant**



Mayor Will Haynie gave our council a good insight on the past, present and future growth of Mt. Pleasant's. He had a wealth of information and answered all questions.



We had a nice turnout of Knights and their wife's to hear what Mayor Haynie had to say about Mt. Pleasant. He received a standing ovation at the end of his talk.



Left Grand Knight Don Campbell in appreciation and thank you for Mayor Haynie coming out to visit our Council he was presented with a Knights cup and Knights pen.



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**SIGN UP A
NEW MEMBER
TODAY!**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Council 9475
In cooperation with
Toastmasters International
Speech Competition
2018**

was held April 16 at Christ Our King Stella Maris School

The winners of the competition were:

1st Place - Sammy Oronce - "Forgiveness"

2nd Place - Rosie Hannah - "The Hope of our Church is its Congregation"

3rd Place - Erik Venjohn - "The view from my seat as an altar server - what my Faith means to me"

The Knights of Columbus Council 9475 would like to thank COKSM School President John Byrnes, Principal Susan Splendido, and faculty members for their cooperation and support in making this speech contest a reality. Also, we want to give special thanks to Rich Stacy, President of Holy City Toastmasters and his team, Bob Huddleston, Chloe Singleton, Mike Wilson, and Steve and Lisa Berry for their time sharing their expertise in the art of public speaking and working with the Knights in conducting this competition.

And a Big Thank You to Deacon Kevin Campbell and Will Simons who were the chairman of this function .



LUNCH with JOE NERI



Brother Joe Neri invited the Knights to have lunch with him at Daniel Pointe Wednesday, April 11. The Knights that were able to attend the great lunch and tour the facility where Joe lives had a great time. In the picture above that attended are left Ann Marrs wife of John Marrs right. Behind Ann and around the table are Tom Franzone, Jeff Pulaski, Ron Davis, Grand Knight Don Campbell, Host Joe Neri, Deacon Kevin Campbell and Jim Sheehy.

**Knights of Columbus
Spaghetti Dinner
Held Wednesday April 18
Here are some of the Volunteers**



Serving spaghetti, sauce, meatballs and sausage are left Jim Welsch and Frank Osage.



In the kitchen keeping the spaghetti sauce hot and ready is Michael O'Connor.



Outside keeping the spaghetti hot are left John Tumminelli and right is Tony Certa

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

William and Lauren Bladykas
Francis and Claudia Budds
Don and Kathy Campbell
George and Jennifer Caramico
Leroy and Debra Ceresa
Richard and Janet Clark
Kevin and Amanda Crean

Dominic and Rosemary DeConciliis

Jeffery and Gayla Decapua

Charles and Jeri Drouillard

Dean and Wendy Ellis

Patrick and Christine Farrell

Robert and Sue Fintak

Jesse and Rainey Furlano

Carl and Ann Geier

Richard and Mary Happe

David and Joanne Jones

Matthew and Pam Jones

William and Nancy Kundingar

John and Janice Maize

Michael and Cynthia McDermott

Randolph and Elena Pierce

Charles and Jennifer Stark

Anthony and Ana Stelluti

Harry and Nancy Trautman

Marion and Doris Wright

Bennett and Suzanne Wyse



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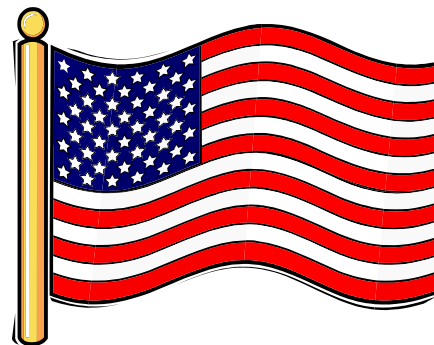
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	01
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary — _____	02
COK — 7:30 AM	
Installation of Officers _____	06
COK—6:30 PM followed by Dinner at Burton's Grill	
Officers Meeting _____	07
COK — 6:30 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	07
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8AM	
Flag Day _____	14
Spirit Night _____	13
Cane's — 3—8PM	
Father's Day _____	17
Regular Business Meeting _____	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7 PM	



GOD BLESS AMERICA

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN-UP FOR HAROR CRUISE

Harbor Cruise _____ MAY 11
General Beauregard at Patriot's Point
8:30 PM to 10:30 Boarding 8 PM
\$30 each / \$60 per couple

Monthly Meditation- Experiencing Jesus

Acts 3: 1-10, PS 105; Luke 24: 13-35

Come, Holy Spirit, come

Our Meditation today gives us two ways to experience Jesus. In the Acts of the Apostles, Jesus is brought to the disabled man by the Apostles and in our Gospel from Luke, it is Jesus who draws near to the men on their way to Emmaus.

Let this Meditation be our opportunity to bring us closer to our brother, Jesus.

In our first reading from Acts, Jesus had already risen from the dead when Peter and John went to the Temple to pray. There they meet a disabled man begging for money. The Apostles introduce Jesus to the man as Peter says to him: I have neither silver nor gold but what I have, I give you: in the name of Jesus Christ, rise and walk”.

Just as the Apostles did to the disabled man, each of us has the power to share the love of Jesus with everyone we meet. Most people don't know, like we do, that Jesus loves them unconditionally, just as they are. It is our duty as Catholics to share the knowledge of Jesus' unconditional love with the people we come into contact with. We call this evangelization.

To some people, evangelization is a bad word. They think of those preachers on the street corners who yell out the word of God to anyone who walks by or those young men in the skinny black ties that go door to door trying to convert you to their religion.

The evangelization I am talking about is not like that. It is doing good things with the love of Jesus Christ in our hearts. it could be as simple as saying good morning to someone. Our love of God and them will show through. All of us have had the opportunity to say to someone who is hurting: I will pray for you. The next time we get that opportunity, may I suggest that we say: let's pray now and then say a short prayer. That is a good example of evangelization.

A great example of evangelization was told to me by my friend, George, who is now up in heaven. One early Saturday morning he was off to a meeting when his wife asked him if he would make her a cup of coffee. George was not much of a morning person. While he said he would, he was not happy about it. He kind of stomps down the stairs, bangs the cabinets as he makes the coffee and was then stomping back up the steps when he asked himself if he was doing this good act with the love of Jesus Christ in his heart. He realized he wasn't so just before he went into the bedroom, he put on his beautiful smile and said: "Here, my darling wife is your cup of coffee".

Our Gospel reading presents Jesus in a more personal way. We are told that Jesus drew near to the two men on their way to Emmaus and walked with them.

This is our Jesus who wants to be in our lives, to give us peace, joy and happiness; freedom from fear and anxiety. All we have to do is let him in and ask him to fill us with his grace.

Let's take the time to do this. It might be when we first get up in the morning or right before we go to sleep or at times during the day or even right now. Just close our eyes, repeat the name of Jesus several times and ask him to fill us with his Grace. This can be very powerful, yet peaceful.

We all want peace, freedom from fear and anxiety. Jesus is here to help us get there. Let's take advantage of this.



Deacon Kevin Campbell