



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights:

As you are aware the themes of this year are fraternity and charity let's try to live these values of being a Knight during this month. We start this month with our Church's Feast of All Souls. As Brothers let's remember in our thoughts and prayers those Brother Knights who have passed away as well as their spouses and family members. I hope you are planning on attending our fun-filled Harbor Cruise event—our Cruise Director, Brother Neil promises a fun time will be had by all. As part of our Council meeting this month, we will recognize our Brother Knights who have served our Country in the military as our way to recognize our Veterans. And finally, as a nation, we take Thanksgiving Day to give Thanks to our God for the many blessings bestowed on us as a nation and as a people.

Once again, we have several opportunities during the month of November as Knights to live our value of Charity. Operation Christmas Child has a need to move the shoe boxes to Christ Our King Life Center, filling them up with goodies for the children and then moving them back. One of our most important fund raisers, the Book Sale is in need of Brother Knights and spouses to help staff the site during the sale. Plus we need Brother Knights to move the books at the end of the sale back to storage. The Turkey Day Race is a way that our Knights, spouses, family members and neighbors can volunteer and by doing so we can raise funds for Operation Hope that can be donated by our Council. After Thanksgiving Day we will need Brother Knights to set-up the tent to sell our Christmas wreaths. There is a need for Knights and spouses to help decorate the wreaths. And finally, we hope you will sign up for a shift or two to staff the tent and help sell our Christmas wreaths.

Thanks to Brother Jack Vax for his initiative in writing a grant to the Wal-Mart Foundation for our Operation Hope efforts. The Wal-Mart Foundation granted our Council \$1,000.00 for Operation Hope.

We have one new Brother Knight who made his First Degree at our Council Meeting during the October meeting. Please extend a warm welcome to: Thomas Gwiadowski (COK). I want to thank our Brother Knight, Allan Briggs, who invited him to join our fine Council. Have you invited someone to become a Knight and join our Council?

The spouses of our Brother Knights joined us for dinner prior to our October Council meeting. Then they had a short social and meeting time together. This is another way that the spouses can feel part of our Council family and if they choose to assist us in some of our fund raising events.

I hope you will take the time during the month of November to be involved in at least one of the various events or activities that are listed on our Council calendar this month. There is also a section where we need volunteers listed in this newsletter, take advantage of these opportunities. Keep in mind that being a Knight—Charity is our most important virtue!

Fraternally,

Frank Osage
Grand Knight



CALENDAR OF EVENTS NOVEMBER

Nocturnal Adoration	Oct. 31
Stella Maris - 8 PM to 8 AM	
Feast of All Saints	01
Holy Day of Obligation	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	01
COK--7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Feast of All Souls	02
Pro-Life/Rosary	02
COK -- 7:30 AM	
Harbor Cruise	02
General Beauregard - Patriot's Point	
Fourth Degree Honoring Veterans	06
COK/SM Grade School -8AM	
Officers Meeting	07
COK --Life Center -- 7 PM	
Fourth Degree Exemplification	09
Taylors, SC.	
Veterans Day	11
Possible Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting	13
Stella Maris Hall/dinner - 6:30 PM	
Regular Business Meeting	21
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Feast of Christ Our King	24
Thanksgiving	28
Turkey Trot	28
Council 704	
Wreath Sales begins	29

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| <i>Allan Briggs</i> | <i>Eugene McLaughlin</i> |
| <i>Raymond Brindley</i> | <i>Charles Momeier</i> |
| <i>Maurice Farah</i> | <i>Walter Mueller</i> |
| <i>Jeffrey Garrett</i> | <i>John O'Brien</i> |
| <i>Anthony Herlihy</i> | <i>Donald Pagley</i> |
| <i>David Hunton</i> | <i>Donald Pietkiewicz</i> |
| <i>John Isaac Jr.</i> | <i>Herman Pundt</i> |
| <i>Richard Kiser</i> | <i>James Raih</i> |
| <i>Ben Laaper</i> | <i>Edward Soltis</i> |
| <i>Alfredo Lopez</i> | <i>Frank Walsh</i> |
| <i>Charles McCloy</i> | |

**Family of the Month
October, 2013
Michael and Dawn O'Connor**

Mike and Dawn have been married for 19 years this month. They have 3 children, Michael 17, Nicole 15 and Jack 10.

Mike and Dawn are originally from Long Island, NY where he was employed by New York City Police Department before transferring to Suffolk County as a Police Officer. He retired in 2008 and they moved to Mount Pleasant in 2009.

Mike is a 3rd Degree Knight and has volunteered at the Spaghetti dinners and book sales.

Mike and Dawn volunteer their time at Church and try to keep it family oriented as well. They are Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers along with their son Michael, Hospitality Chairpersons along with their daughter Nicole, Baptism leaders and assist with the Somerby ministry. Dawn is a teacher for the religious education program and the Chairperson for Community Building with St. Benedict Parish. Mike and Dawn also volunteer at Meals on Wheels.

Their hobbies include: FISHING, Family time, Fishing, Reading and more fishing.

Congratulations Mike and Dawn !!!!!

**Youth of the Month
October, 2013
Nicola E. Tirpak**

Nicola's passion is swimming! Perhaps her Baptism at Saint John the Baptist Church in Maria Stein, Ohio immersed her in this life sport. For the past decade she has actively competed on the Sneec Farm Swim Team not only as a swimmer but also as a coach. She has done exceptionally well on the team as a keen competitor in free, breast stroke, individual medley, and free relays. Over the past 2 years she has also adapted her passion for swimming to coaching. The youngest swimmers adore her, and look up to her as an inspirational role model. This is also true at Academic Magnet High School where she is a Girl's Swim Team Captain. Since her freshmen year she has competed all the way to the State Championships in Columbia. This October will crown her swimming career for AMHS. Her Sneec Farm career will be capped as a senior this summer.

At school she also plays varsity basketball and participates in the National Honor and Spanish Honor Societies.

Over the past few years she has actively participated in Youth Court, performing a variety roles in this judicial system for teenagers.

With respect to service projects she served at COK-SM Summer Science Camp for Mrs. Marilyn Davey. She did this for four years along with her sister Natasha. Nicola also served as Life Guard for Troop 59 as it prepared for summer camp in North Carolina.

Nicola is an active parishioner of Stella Maris Church.

Presently she is conducting her college search which will be the next chapter of her life in 2014!

Congratulations Nicola !!!!!

**Knight of the Month
October, 2013
Mark Lazo**

Mark was born and raised in Mt. Rainier, MD, the fourth of six children (two brothers and three sisters). He met his wife Debbie in 2000 and they were married December 8, 2002. They now live in Mt. Pleasant, have one son, Austin, age 15, who is an avid volleyball player and enjoys school, snowboarding, swimming, and video games (to name a few).

Mark graduated from University of Maryland, College Park, MD in May 1993 with a B.S. degree in Fire Protection Engineering, and is now a licensed professional engineer (PE). He worked at Naval Facilities Engineering Command until 2006. Mark entered the private sector working at Applied Building Sciences, Inc. until 2008, then worked at O'Brien & Gere Engineers, Inc. until 2012, and then joined his current company, C.E.M.S. Engineering, Inc.

Mark joined the Knights of Columbus Council 9475 in February 2009, was exemplified in the 4th Degree in February 2010, and is a past Grand Knight. Mark is among our most active brothers—a trustee of the Council, 4th Degree Honor Guard, former chairman of the Spaghetti Dinner Committee, participant with Operation HOPE, altar server, and still finds time to assist with wreath sales and COK Bazaar, Free Throw Contest, Oyster Roast, Book Sale book transport, and volunteers with church landscaping. He and his family attend Mass at Christ Our King, usually 6:00PM on Saturday.

In his spare time, Mark enjoys cooking, fishing, shrimping, tennis, softball, skiing, biking, landscaping, handyman stuff, and volunteers with Homeworks of America.

Congratulations Mark !!!!!

											
Happy Anniversary											
Charles & Keri Davidson											
Rocco & Michelle Falcone											
Michael & Mary Ferri											
Gerald & Loretta Gimbert											
William & Gloria Harrington											
Anthony & Margaret Herlihy											
Steve & Judy Kemp											
Mark & Laura Kennedy											
Ken & Diane Kobularcik											
Donald & Derma Lindeman											
Brenden & Beth Lo											
Peter & Sharon Marchewka											
Eugene & Elaine McLaughlin											
Henry & Patricia Miller											
Thomas & Ruth Sloggett											
Frank & Barbara Walsh											
											



Calendar of Events
December

Start of State Charity Drive _____	01
First Sunday in Advent _____	02
Officers Meeting _____	05
COK - Life Center - 7:00 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	05
Stella Maris - 8PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	06
COK - 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	07
COK - 7:30 AM	
Feast of the Immaculate Conception _____	08
Mt. Pleasant Christmas Parade _____	08
Council Christmas Party _____	14
Hosted by Michael and Fay Fabrizio	
Regular Business Meeting _____	19
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Fourth Degree Christmas Party _____	21
Hosted by Mickey and Betty McMahon	
The Nativity of our Lord _____	25

SERVICE ACTIVITIES/VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Council Golf Tournament - Contact Jim Welsch - 849-1979
 Operation Christmas Child - Contact Greg Raven - 696-1182
 Book Sale - Staff sale days - Contact Ed McDowell - 518-0963
 A Knight to coordinate a Council Retreat - Contact Frank Osage

SPOUSE EMAIL Update:

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

PLEASE NOTE

To view newsletter electronically you must go to KofC web-site. www.kofc9475.org and click on newsletter, then click on any month you would like to view.

If you would like to suspend mail delivery please Email Tom Franzone at Tzone1941@aol.com

CONGRATULATIONS

To Thomas Gwiadowski our newest member who made his First Degree on October 17, 2013. Welcome to our KOC family.

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Co-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. James A. Carter	884-5587
Co-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. McNerny	883-3109
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Grand Knight	Frank Osage	614-7877
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Lecturer	Ron Davis	856-4950
Advocate	Matt Story	849-7244
Warden		
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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	Anthony Herlihy	388-7647
Community Director	Bill Shoemaker	884-1378
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Council Director	Victor Mroczkowski	793-8656
Public Relations	Neil Whitman	856-5034
Family Director	Tripp Hoover	367-3494
Culture of Life Director	Fred Koch	884-1713
Youth Director	Chris Anderson	416-8527
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	Mark Kennedy - COK	849-8871
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	Mark Kennedy - COK	849-8871
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	Stan Adams - SB	884-8331
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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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