



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights

We have a special speaker for Sept. 17th meeting. He is Fred Lesinski, the Chief Of Voluntary Service at Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center. We will hear of the needs of the VA for volunteers and supplies. Because of the speaker we will not have a 1st degree.

The Canes Spirit Knights have gone well and the final monies will be announced at the meeting. A special thank you to all who supported this activity.

The River Dogs Game was a bit slow due to the rain but we still had a small group in attendance who had a great evening.

We look forward to the two activities for September. First is the Pancake breakfast at Applebee's on Sat. Sept. 19th from 8am to 10am. We anticipate your support with ticket sales and help.

Second is our Spaghetti Dinner at Christ Our King on Wed. Sept. 30th.

Our Saturday Work Day for East Cooper Faith Network Fixit Program went well and the work was finished and all were happy.

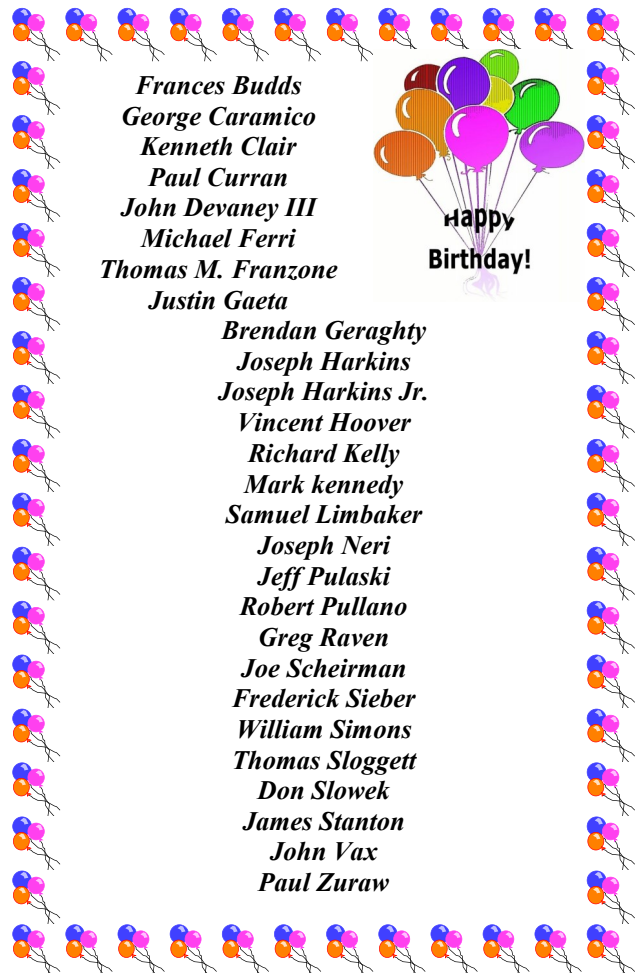
So now looking to October we have the Harbor Cruise October 10th.

We will have a 1st degree at our October Meeting. Please let an Officer know if you have a candidate.

Have a safe and happy Labor day

YBIC
Bill Shoemaker GK

<u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>	
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
Officers Meeting _____	03
COK—Life Center - 7 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	
Labor Day _____	07
Regular Business Meeting _____	17
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Pancake Breakfast _____	19
Applebee's — 8AM to 10 AM	
First Day of Fall _____	23
Spaghetti Dinner _____	30
COK — Grace Hall — 5:00 to 7:30 PM	



Happy Birthday!

Frances Budds
George Caramico
Kenneth Clair
Paul Curran
John Devaney III
Michael Ferri
Thomas M. Franzone
Justin Gaeta

Brendan Geraghty
Joseph Harkins
Joseph Harkins Jr.
Vincent Hoover
Richard Kelly
Mark Kennedy
Samuel Limbaker
Joseph Neri
Jeff Pulaski
Robert Pullano
Greg Raven
Joe Scheirman
Frederick Sieber
William Simons
Thomas Sloggett
Don Slowek
James Stanton
John Vax
Paul Zuraw

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 Wednesday in August 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.

**Family of the Month
August 2015
John & Jane Bride, Jr.**

The Bride Family is made up of John, Jane, Jessica, Peter, Julia, and two dogs! John and Jane have been married for almost 16 years. They have lived in Dunes West for 6 years. John is from near Boston, MA. He attended Cornell, then George Washington in DC for Medical School, and returned to Boston for his Residency at BU. Jane hails from Glasgow, Scotland and celebrates 20 years in the US on 8/19! Jane has an Applied Chemistry Degree from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow. They were introduced by mutual friends in Phoenix, AZ where they were both working. After about 3 weeks of dating, they knew “this” was “it”, and married 15 months later. After two years in New Hampshire, John had, what Jane calls, a “mid-life crisis”.... Joining the Army after 9/11....at 36! His Commission meant yet another move for the family, this time to Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Over the next 6 years, John deployed with the 82nd Airborne to Iraq three times. He spent about two years overseas. In 2009, John transferred to the Army Reserves and the family moved further south to Mount Pleasant to be closer to John’s parents, who had retired to SC twelve years before. Currently, John is a Colonel in the Army Medical Corps. His most recent and, hopefully, last deployment was to Afghanistan in 2012. John’s main job is in the Emergency Department at the Charleston VA Hospital. He also runs a weekly orthopedic Pre-Trial Admission Testing Clinic at East Cooper Medical Center.

John is a 4th Degree Knight.

Jane has worked in clinical (medical) research for 25 years in Europe and North America. Right now, she works from home as a Project Manager on a large cardiovascular study. She is self-employed which allows her to have some flexibility in her schedule to be around more for the children, and John!

Their oldest daughter, Jessica, is almost 15 and is a 10th Grader at Charleston County School of the Arts – her major is Creative Writing. Peter (PJ) is 13 and an 8th Grader at COKSM School. Julia is 9 and a COKSM 4th Grader. Rescue dogs Minnie and Mac bring lot of love and life to Bride household. Jane & John are members of Christ Our King Church, where John is an Usher. Jane is trying to find her calling at COK, but had an enjoyable short stint in the choir last year. She volunteers at COKSM School, serving as the Uniform Swap Shop Chair. In previous years at St. Benedict, Jane was a Catechist and a nursery volunteer when Julia was a toddler.

Although their hobbies usually take second place to spending time with their kids and being a taxi service, John likes to rollerblade and enjoys outdoor activities. Jane likes to bike, watch movies and travel. This year, John has been dusting off his Eagle Scout ‘hat’ by helping the BSA 529 Troop at St. Benedict, after Peter started scouting.



John Bride Jr. left receiving Family of the Month certificate and mug from Our Grand Knight Bill Shoemaker.

**Knight of the Month
August 2015
Anthony Herlihy**

Born and raised in Atlanta, Ga. Enjoyed every summer and most holidays at Edisto Beach with my grandmother and extended family and friends fishing, hunting, boating, and exploring the low country. Upon graduating from Georgia Tech accepted a commission in the United States Marine Corps serving 22 years as an infantry and reconnaissance officer. A veteran of Operations Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom led combat operations in Kuwait, Africa, Philippines, Afghanistan and Iraq. My last duty assignment was as a plank owner in the establishment of U.S. Marine Forces, Special Operations Command.

I met Margaret Ann Hansen in 1989 while stationed aboard Camp Pendleton, California and married after returning from Desert Storm in 1991. Since married we have moved cross country multiple times, moved and lived in eleven different homes and weathered numerous extended training exercises and operational deployments. We have raised two children, Connor (20) and Megan (18), both who are in college.

Since retiring from active duty I have started a second career with Science Applications International Corp. (SAIC) where I combine my engineering and business education with my military background as business developer for the lowcountry’s largest defense contractor. I greatly enjoy a new career that keeps me engaged in national defense and close the Marine Corps and Special Operations Command. The one drawback is that the position requires a heavy travel requirement that keeps me on the road, but at least I am sleeping in hotel instead of in fox hole.

Joined the Knights of Columbus Council 9475 in 2013 completing 1st, 2^d, 3rd, and fourth degrees in first year.

Earned Shining Armor Award: (my recruit is my son Connor who also joined Knights in 2013 and who also is 4th degree and recipient of the Shining Armor Award.

While on active duty an active parish member aboard the various bases and posts assigned. Always conscious of the important service our chaplain’s provide to our service members proactively provided them the support they required to accomplish their vital mission, especially while in the field, deployed, and in combat. Considered one my most important roles as a leader to set the example and for my Marines and sailors to see their officer reverent and attend field services.

Since retiring and moving to Mount Pleasant an active member of Christ Our King Parish. We generally attend the 0730 mass but shift around to Saturday or Sunday evening as necessary to make sure we get the kids to mass.

Served as Assistant Scout Master of all the various troops my son Connor participated from California to South Carolina while he was an active scout, and continue to support Boy Scouting volunteer events and activities.

Serve as an Eagle Scout mentor and advisor

Once Connor turned 18 took a break from scouting and decided to accept Ron Bellonio’s recruiting pitch to give the Knights of Columbus a look.

Enjoy spending time with family making up for years of time away deployed. Hobbies include physical fitness training, reading, and fishing, boating, and spending time at Edisto with my parents. I consider the principles of servant leadership learned and practiced in the Boy Scouts and Marine Corps and a foundation for how I wish to serve as a Knight.



Anthony Herlihy left receiving Knight of the Month certificate and mug from Our Grand Knight Bill Shoemaker.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Jerry & Diana Barnett
 Francis & Geraldine Blair
 Mark & Paula Calabrese
 Alfred & Jimmy Dovre
 Joseph & Peggy Harkins
 Matthew & Stacy Kiefer
 Edmund & Elizabeth McMahon
 Mike & Beth McGinty
 Larry & Elaine Miller
 John & Nancy Murphy
 Joseph & Carole Neri
 John & Julianne Simisky
 Jon & Angie Tirpak



COUNCIL OFFICERS

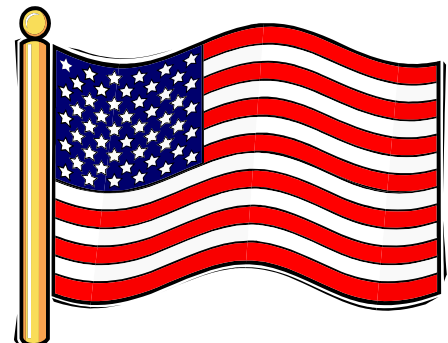
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Co-Chaplain	Rev. Vincent Y. Maroun	843-216-0039
Co-Chaplain	Rev. Timothy West	843-471-2121
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Advocate	Ryan Kinowski	518-229-8725
Warden	Michael O'Connor	843-416-8818
Inside Guard	John Bride Jr.	843-388-5147
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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
	Gene McLaughlin SB	843-849-2271
	Jack Vax SB	843-856-2212
	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
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Retention Committee	Jeff Pulaski - COK	843-972-8193
	Jack Urbanic - SM	843-886-2591
	Stan Adams - SB	843-884-8331
	Jerry Gimbert - SC of A	843-655-9111
Insurance Promotion	John Bride	843-388-5147
Operation Hope Chairman	Jack Vax	843-856-2212
Newsletter	Fran Franzone	843-884-5670
State Chaplain	Rev. Robert Higgins	843-249-2356
State Deputy	Frank Davis	
District Deputy	Ed McDowell	843-518-0963
Insurance Agent	Paul Harrington	706-338-7924
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Pro-Life/Rosary _____	03
COK — 7:30 AM	
Harbor Cruise _____	10
Patriot's Point — 7 PM	
Columbus Day _____	12
Regular Business Meeting _____	15
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:00 PM	
Halloween _____	31

SPOUSE EMAIL Update:

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



**YOUTH OF THE MONTH
AUGUST 2015
JESSICA BRIDE**

Jessica Bride is a student at Charleston County School of the Arts, she is in the 10 grade. Over the years she has Altar Served, volunteered at Vacation Bible School, helped out at the KofC spaghetti dinners and multiple sacramental workshops with St. Benedicts. While currently volunteering at East Cooper Medical Center, Jessica used to be a regular volunteer at the Charleston Animal Society. This past school year Jessica spent her Tuesday and Thursday afternoons tutoring elementary school students as a part of the Liberty Hill Literacy Program. Jessica is a creative writer at her school and was a part of their mock trial team last year. Jessica did gymnastics in 7th and 8th grade and took part in stage tech workshops last year.

CONGRATULATIONS JESSICA

Youth Director Sean O'Toole presents Jessica Bride with Youth of the Month Certificate and Grand Knight standing by.



SPAGHETTI DINNER

Wednesday, September 30, 2015 – 5 to 7:30 PM

Christ Our King Life Center – Grace Hall

1149 Russell Drive, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

Adults \$8.00 - Children 6 to 11 \$5.00 - Under 6 Free

Includes Spaghetti, Meatball, Salad, Bread, Dessert & Refreshment

Eat In or Take Out

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
HARBOR CRUISE**

Always a good time we've scheduled a harbor cruise for Saturday October 10th. We board the General Beaugard, located at Patriot's Point, at 7 PM then depart at 7:30 PM for a two hour harbor cruise. The price is just \$30 per person and includes food, beverages, music for dancing (including YMCA and the Chicken Dance) and lots of fellowship.

Please get back to me if you plan to join us and how many will be in your group. This is always fun so you don't want to miss the cruise.

Neil Whitman
Cruise Director
843-270-9834

PS - No passport required!



Come enjoy a great evening on the General Beaugard cruising the harbor.



**Welcome to the Flapjack Fundraiser
for Knights of Columbus Council
#9475!**

Here is everything you need to make your Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast on Saturday, September 19, 2015 at Applebee's located at 1486 Stuart Engles Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC. a Success—Brother Knights we need your help:

Please E-mail or call - John Bride Jr. to help:
E-mail address - jpbride@comcast.net
Cell - 910-916-0269



Minutes

The August 20, 2015 general meeting of the Rev. John McLaughlin Council #9475 of the Knights of Columbus began at 7:00 pm at the St. Benedict's Church Hall in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. The Warden reported that all brothers in the hall were in possession of a valid membership card. A list of the 42 members in attendance is recorded in the Council Meeting Minutes book.

Grand Knight Bill Schoemaker called the meeting to order, and led us in the Our Father prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. The roll of officer's attendance was called and the minutes of the last meeting were approved. A first degree was held, and Chris Engel of St. Clare of Assisi received the honor of the 1st degree, and was welcomed into our council.

REPORTS

Grand Knight:

Bill S. and several KoC volunteers repaired a home this month.

Baseball tickets are still available for our night at the Joe to attend a Riverdogs baseball game.

The Pancake breakfast will be 9/19, and The Spaghetti dinner will be 9/30, and there will be a harbor cruise on 10/10.

We are planning a Christmas party of Autistic children – details to follow.

22 members are behind in their dues, and efforts are underway to retain them as active, dues-paying members.

Our August fundraiser is dinner at Cain's every Wednesday this month.

Brother Knight Mike McDermott completed his 2nd and 3rd degree on Aug. 22.

Financial:

No report

Treasurer:

We have \$2774.81 in our checking account, and \$6,363.53 in our money market account.

Programs:

Church:

Christ Our King: Knights are seeking more men to usher.

St. Benedict: The Columbarium is 80% subscribed. The parish is planning to expand by adding two wings, and is inviting the other three parishes in our council to reserve spots for their families.

Stella Marris: The Men's Club will be meeting the 2nd Tues. of Sept.

St. Clair of Assisi: We are proud that Chris Engel is the first man from our parish to gain the 1st degree of the KoC. The Men's Club will resume its regular meetings in Sept. Jerry Gimbert is compiling a list of KoC members in the parish with their contributions to the parish.

Insurance: No report.

Community:

Knight of the month – Anthony Hurley, (who has achieved his Shining Armor award).

Family of the month – Family of John McBride

Youth of the month – Jessica McBride. Sean reminded us to suggest names of other achieving youth.

Knights helping Knights – Reminder to pray for those in our brotherhood whose family has a sick member.

Old Business:

- A pancake breakfast fundraiser will be held at Applebee's from 8:00 – 10:00 on 9/18. Bring your friends! A few volunteers are needed to seat customers and wait on tables. Applebee's will do all food preparation.
- A spaghetti dinner fundraiser will be held at CoK Hall on Wed. 9/30. Mark Lazzo is planning the event, and Mark Kennedy will be in charge at the event. Volunteers are needed to prepare, and to serve the food. The youth of CoK will assist by cleaning tables. We will also have take-out available to the homebound.
- Jerry Gimbert reported that the book sale will be at a retail location in the Town Center Shopping Center this year. New this year, we will have to pay a fee to use the facility, approx... \$500 - \$1,000. He is negotiating, and will report progress.
- Shoe Box for Christmas will kick off in October. We are planning to distribute grocery bags at each of our four parishes to collect items for the shoe boxes.
- The golf tournament fundraiser: Jim is seeking volunteers for the planning committee, and to solicit sponsors for this event. The first planning meeting will be in two weeks.
- A Christmas party for Autistic children is being organized by Joe Neri. We expect about 50 children, along with their care givers to attend. The event is being co-sponsored by MUSC Children's hospital, and the Low Country Autism org. We will utilize the MUSC tax exempt number if needed.

New Business:

- A harbor cruise is being planned on the General Beauregard. It will be 2 ½ hours long and cost \$30 per person, which will include beer and wine, and the boat rental. The boat rental will be \$1,650, of which \$1,200 was approved by a voice vote of the members present to reserve the boat.

District Deputy:

- Greetings from Supreme and State officers.
- Retention of our members is very important, keep up your efforts.
- Congratulations to Marion Wright, who is the new District Warden.
- Welcome to the new brother Knight. All 1st degree Knights are encouraged to pursue their 2nd and 3rd degrees as soon as possible. The schedule for upcoming 3rd degree ceremonies are:
8/29 in Rock hill, 9/20 in Picens, 10j/24 in Myrtle Beach, and 11/7 in Goose Creek.
- Efforts are being made to schedule 2nd degree ceremonies in conjunction with some of these 3rd degrees.

Good of the Order:

- Each brother is reminded to bring forth the name of any other or relative who is sick, or in need of our assistance and/or our prayers.
- Neil Whitman, whose 40 year old daughter recently passed, thanks everyone for their prayer and support during his family's mourning. Laura's remains are in the St. Benedict Columbarium.
- Tom Franzon's brother recently passed, also, and his mother is ill, and not responsive. Please keep the family in your prayers.
- There is a Cursillo retreat coming up. This is an opportunity for us to learn more about ourselves, and become closer to God.
- The KoC Men's Hiking Ministry invites all to their upcoming men's hike.
- The meeting was closed when the GN led us in the Hail Mary prayer, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Allan Briggs
Recorder