



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights and Families,

The following are highlights from *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, a teaching statement on the political responsibility of Catholics, that was adopted by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops:

"In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation. This obligation is rooted in our baptismal commitment to follow Jesus Christ and to bear Christian witness in all we do..."

The Church equips its members to address political and social questions by helping them to develop a well-formed conscience. Catholics have a serious and lifelong obligation to form their consciences in accord with human reason and the teaching of the Church. Conscience is not something that allows us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere "feeling" about what we should or should not do. Rather, conscience is the voice of God resounding in the human heart, revealing the truth to us and calling us to do what is good while shunning what is evil...

The Church's teaching is clear that a good end does not justify an immoral means. As we all seek to advance the common good—by defending the inviolable sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death, by defending marriage, by feeding the hungry and housing the homeless, by welcoming the immigrant and protecting the environment—it is important to recognize that not all possible courses of action are morally acceptable. We have a responsibility to discern carefully which public policies are morally sound. Catholics may choose different ways to respond to compelling social problems, but we cannot differ on our moral obligation to help build a more just and peaceful world through morally acceptable means, so that the weak and vulnerable are protected and human rights and dignity are defended..."

The Bishops of the United States have called "Catholics to form their consciences in the light of our Catholic faith and to bring our moral principles to the debate and decisions about candidates and issues." As Catholics, we members of the Knights of Columbus should vote and should encourage other members of our families, parishes, and communities to vote.

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>: Vote Your Faith. Vote Your Conscience.

YBIC,

Mark Lazo, GK

## OPERATION HOPE


Jack Vax has confirmed with the new Walmart in Mt. Pleasant to "man the doors" for two, two hour shifts from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on November 10, 2012. Volunteer's are needed please call Jack if you can help. ( 856-2212 ).

## CONGRATULATIONS

## CALENDAR OD THE MONTH NOVEMBER

All Saints Day	01
Officer's Meeting	01
Life Center - 7 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	01
Stella Maris - 8 PM to 8 AM	
All Souls Day	02
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	02
COK - 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Memorial Mass	02
Stella Maris - 6:15 PM Covered dish following mass	
Pro-Life/Rosary	03
COK - 7:30 AM	
COK/SM Bazaar	03
Election Day	06
Operation Christmas Child	07
COK - Grace Hall	
Veteran's Day	11
Business Meeting	15
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	
Thanksgiving	22
Turkey Day Run	22
Christmas Wreath Sale Starts	23
Assembly Meeting	28
Rev. Vincent Capodanno Assembly 3243	
Stella Maris Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



*Allan Briggs*  
*Raymond Brindley*  
*Jeffrey Garrett*  
*David Hunton*  
*John Isaac, Jr.*  
*Richard Kiser*  
*Alfredo Lopez*  
*Charles McCloy*  
*Eugene McLaughlin*  
*Charles Momeier*  
*Walter Mueller*  
*John O'Brien*  
*Donald Pagler, Jr.*  
*Herman Pundt*  
*James Raih*  
*Edward Soltis*  
*Frank Walsh*  
*Matthew Warrick*

**Youth of the Month  
October, 2012  
Jack Gonzales**

**Jack Gonzales** and his family have been active members of St. Benedict's Catholic Church since it's inception in 1999. Jack has also been an altar server for the parish for several years and is currently one of the senior members of the team. **He is often called upon to serve during the special masses** such as the church's dedication ceremony and the Christmas and Easter holidays.

Jack is also a member of the Wando marching, jazz and symphonic bands. Last year he was also named the top sophomore saxophone player in the Charleston County school system. Academically Jack has a 3.5+ GPA and participates in the Honor Society program. His curriculum consists of Advance Placement classes and he is positioning himself to pursue a **double major of music and linguistics** at a 4 year university.

His community service is primarily focused on the **Blissful Dreams therapeutic riding program** located in Huger SC. This program allows autistic children to connect with their surroundings through contact with horses and riding. Jack will periodically help during their events doing anything from cleaning out the barn and stalls to walking the horses while the children are riding. On the recreational side, Jack enjoys fly fishing in both fresh and saltwater and is accomplished at tying his own flies. He is conservation minded releasing essentially all the fish he catches.

**Congratulations Jack !!!!!**

**Knight of the Month  
October 2012  
Mark Kennedy**

Mark was born and raised in East Liverpool, OH and received a Bachelor of Science from the Ohio University in 1985. Mark spent twelve years with Channel 2, before starting his own video production company - Kennedy Video Service in 1997.

Mark joined the Knights of Columbus November, 2009, he is a Fourth Degree Knight and has been very active, Mark was chairman of the Home Works Program (feeding the youth dinner) and he also was chairman of the Spaghetti Dinner this year and did a outstanding job. Mark also volunteers his time for the Book sale, Oyster Roast. He also works with St Vincent De Paul Society, as well as, some of the social activities at Christ Our King – including the Parish Picnic.

Mark is married to Laura, they have been married for 19 years and have two black Labrador retrievers. Mark and Laura are members of the Christ Our King Parish. Mark is a usher at the 12:00 mass.

The Kennedy's love to travel and are both exceptional cooks. They have recently taken up cycling and have become very serious about it - riding 20-30 miles.

**Congratulations Mark !!!!!**

**Family of the Month  
October, 2012  
Marion and Doris Wright**

Marion is originally from Charleston, SC and Doris is from Toledo, Ohio. They met in Columbia, SC and later married in St. Peters Church in Columbia, 47 years ago. They have two grown children, Marion Jr. who is married and lives in Summerville, SC. Gwendolyn is married and lives in Naperville, Ill. They have 5 grandchildren.

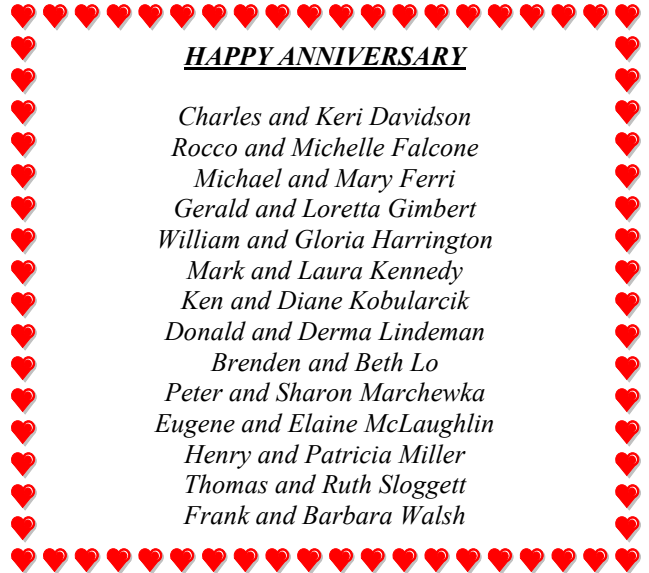
Marion was employed by Merck Sea land Shipping as a clerk, checker and maintenance. Doris worked for the Charleston County Police Dept. as a clerical worker, she was also a Real Estate Agent. They also owned a restaurant on 41.

Marion joined the Knights in 1986 as a charter member. He volunteers at the Book Sale, Oyster Roast, Operation Christmas Child, and Christmas Wreath sales. He also volunteers at Crisis Ministry and Meals on Wheels.

They are members of Christ Our King Church where they serve as Greeters and Gift Bearers. Doris helps out at COK functions and is a member of the Catholic Ladies of Mt. Pleasant.

Their hobbies include Fishing, Hunting, Camping, Sewing and Yard Work.

**Congratulations Marion and Doris !!!!!**



**PLEASE NOTE**  
**Electronic delivery of minutes and newsletter**

If you would like to suspend mail delivery and receive an electronic version only please email Tom

**CALENDAR OF THE MONTH**  
**DECEMBER**

First Day of Advent_____	02
Officer's Meeting_____	06
Life Center - 7:00 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	06
Stella Maris - 8 PM to 8 AM	
Knights of Columbus 25th Anniversary_____	07
Grace Hall - 6:30	
Pearl Harbor Day_____	07
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	07
COK - 7 AM to 5PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary_____	08
COK - 7 AM	
The Immaculate Conception_____	08
Holy Day of Obligation	
Officer's Meeting_____	19
Rev. Vincent Capodanno Assembly 3243	
Stella Maris - 7 PM	
Reg. Business Meeting_____	20
St. Benedict's Parish Hall	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting : 7:15 PM	
Fourth Degree Christmas Party_____	21
Mickey and Betty McMahon - 6:00 PM	
Christmas_____	25
Holy Day of Obligation	
New Years Eve._____	31
New Years Day_____	Jan. 01
Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God.	

**COK/SM BAZAAR**

The Bazaar will be held at COK on Saturday, November 3rd. Volunteers are needed for 2 shifts, 8:30 - 12:30 and 12:30 - 5:00. Please call Matt Story to sign-up. (849-7244).

**CHRISTMAS WREATHS**

The Christmas Wreath's will be arriving on Friday, November 23rd. Volunteers are needed to decorate, if anyone is interested please call Fran @ 884-5670. We will start decorating at my house (1007 Law Lane) at 10 AM. We begin selling wreath's on Saturday, November 24th.



**COUNCIL OFFICERS**

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AND  
GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS**