



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

The Dedication of St Benedict's Church was performed by Bishop Guglielmo and clergy of the Diocese on March 18, 2011. The Dedication was moving and the service was inspiring as were the speeches.

Soup and sandwich at Stella Maris on Wednesday March 23rd. was well attended. Thanks to all who made soup and sandwiches.

I would like to thank the admissions team and the First Degree Team for their work this year. Do to their efforts we have completed our sixth First Degree. JOB WELL DONE. If we keep this up we will exceed our goal of six First Degrees' set by State.

Now for the eighth installment of the Officers Jewel, THE TREASURER'S JEWEL.

Your Brother In Christ,
Jim Pancake GK



THE TREASURER — *Crossed Keys. Symbolic of his complete authority over funds (money), particularly responsible for its safekeeping.*



Calendar of Events

April

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	01
COK-7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-life/Rosary_____	02
COK-7:30 AM	
Officer's Meeting_____	07
Life Center-7PM	
Nocturnal Adoration_____	07
Stella Maris-8PM to 8AM	
Palm Sunday_____	17
Business Meeting_____	19
Island Club-Sullivan's Island	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	
Holy Thursday_____	21
Good Friday_____	22
Easter_____	24



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Antony Benjamine
Philip Chuy
Michael Fabrizio
Terry Johnson
Richard Karkowski
Sean O'Toole
Michael Ricciardone
William Russo
Richard Schiliro
John Watson

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ron Bellonio who received his First-Degree on Tuesday, March 15th and Tony Francine a Transfer. Welcome to the Knights Family.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR---

Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Tuesday, May 10, in Grace Hall from 5 to 7:30 PM. Spaghetti, Meatballs, Sausage, Salad Bread, Dessert and Refreshments will be served.

**Knight of Month
March, 2011
Jerry Barnett Sr.**

Jerry was born in Rome, GA, raised in PA, spent 4 years in the US Air Force from 1954 – 1958 and he has an Associates Degree in Safety and Fire Protection from the University of Wisconsin & Joliet Junior College. Jerry was employed by Amoco Chemicals in 1959, as the Safety Supt. / Fire Marshall and a trained EMT.

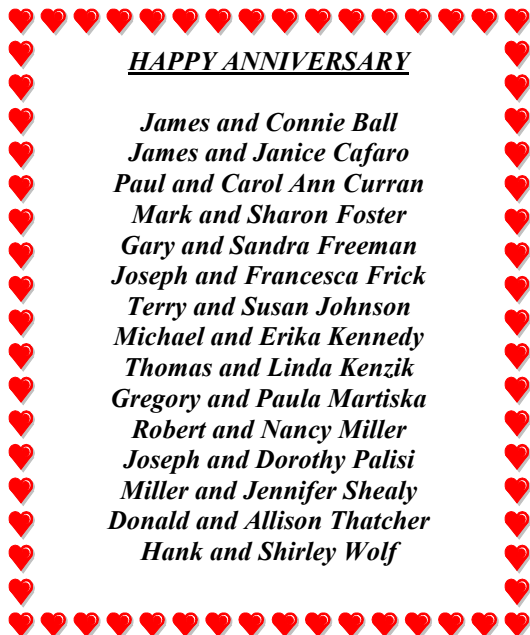
Diana and Jerry were married in Sept. 1977 and moved to Mt. Pleasant the same year. In 1979 they were blessed with a boy/girl set of twins. Both are graduates of Christ Our King / Bishop England High School and both went on to graduate from college. Beth was married in 2003 and has one child, their only grandchild. Jason was married in 2009 and has no children, yet.

Jerry is a charter member of Rev. Msgr. John Lawrence McLaughlin Council 9475 and a charter member of Father Vincent R. Capodanno, MM Assembly 3243. He was Chancellor in Council 9475 for 2 years. Jerry is a fourth degree knight and go to the exemplification in Columbia each year to participate and support the candidates.

Jerry has participated in many of the councils activities and will continue his service in the upcoming years. The following are a few of the activities Jerry has participated in, Christmas Child, Book Sales, Spaghetti Dinner, Christmas Wreath Sales, Operation Hope, Oyster Roast, and has filled in on the First Degree Team.

Jerry and Diana have been members of Christ Our King Church since 1978. Jerry has been of the Church Council and worked 21/2 years under the supervision of Msgr. Carter on the grounds after hurricane Hugo. Jerry and Diana are Greeters at the 12 noon mass and Jerry also ushers and is trained on the church fire alarm system and the newly acquired AED's.

CONGRATULATIONS JERRY !!!!!



**Family of the Month
March, 2011
Matthew and Christine Story**

The East Cooper Knights of Columbus (Council 9475) Family of the Month for March 2011 is Matt and Christine Story. Matt and Christine have been married for 20 years and have two boys – Jack, a rising sophomore at Bishop England; and Joe, a rising 7th grader at Christ Our King/Stella Maris School. The Story Family attends Stella Maris Church.

Matt is originally from Savannah, GA and Christine was born and raised in Mount Pleasant. Matt earned an undergraduate degree in journalism, before going on to graduate from law school, both at the University of Georgia. Christine graduated from Clemson University. Matt and Christine met when Matt was in law school and Christine was a paralegal. Matt is a Member of Clawson & Staubes on Daniel Island, where he has been an attorney since 1993. Christine is the Development Director of Christ Our King/Stella Maris School and has been with the school since 2001.

Matt joined the Knights of Columbus Council 9475 in 1993 and is currently a 3rd degree Knight of Columbus. He has held the position of Advocate for a number of years and contributes freely to many Knight of Columbus activities including: cook manager for the Christ Our King / Stella Maris School Bazaar, Knight of Columbus Council 9475 free throw contest coordinator, youth coordinator, and manger of the Rosary program at Christ Our King Stella Maris School.

Matt is also a Boy Scout Leader for Troop 59, a school board member at Christ Our King / Stella Maris School, on the Catholic Identity Committee, president of the Stella Maris Men's Club, member of the Stella Maris Parish Council, and a volunteer with Mount Pleasant Swim Club. Christine is the co-captain of the Snee Farm Swim Team, a member of the Christ Our King / Stella Maris School Board, and a volunteer with the Mount Pleasant Swim Club. The Story's enjoy family activities including gold and tennis, camping with the Boy Scouts, swim meets, and cooking together.

CONGRATULATIONS MATT AND CHRISTINE !!!!!

<u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u>	
<u>MAY</u>	
Nocturnal Adoration _____	05
Stella Maris - 8PM to 8AM	
Officer's Meeting _____	05
Life Center - 7 PM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament _____	06
COK - 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	07
COK - 7:30 AM	
Mother's Day _____	08
Spaghetti Dinner _____	10
Grace Hall - 5 to 7:30 PM	
Business Meeting _____	17
Island Club - Sullivan's Island	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:15 PM	
Memorial Day _____	30

**Youth of the Month
March, 2011
Allyssa Marie Paragano**

Allyssa has been involved with the youth program at St. Benedict's since her move to the Lowcountry 1 1/2 years ago and received the Sacrament of Confirmation this February. Having relocated from NJ, she had an "extra" 2 years of spiritual education due to the fact that she missed her opportunity to receive the sacrament up north. She also serves as an usher at church services for St. Benedict's. Her initiative to do a job that is usually meant for old people shows her true character and passion for the church. In fact, Msgr. Chet acknowledged recently that she, along with her brother, are setting a precedent for St. Benedict's by demonstrating to other youth how they can, in some small way, get involved in the St. Benedict community experience. She has also attended Youth Group meetings when time allows.

Allyssa is a (currently) 3-time letter winner for cheerleading at Wando serving as captain for this year's Varsity Basketball Squad. Her leadership is something for the younger squad members to follow and base their cheerleading careers off. She also garnered a "Most Spirited" award from her peer cheerleaders at Cheep Camp this past summer.

Academically, Allyssa is in the top 5% of her class and takes Advanced Placement courses. To Allyssa, her academics are very important and she always strives to do her best in school as well as everything else she does. She is a National Merit Scholar, a member of the National Honor Society, and is a future member of the High School Beta Club. She was also pointed out as a leader at Wando High by being awarded the "Golden Warrior" three different times. The "Golden Warrior" is an award where students are nominated by teacher for displaying exemplary behavior and character and who embody the ideals of the Wando "Warrior Way." There are many students who never receive the award in their entire time at Wando so her achieving three is astounding.

What free time she has left, she has spent at the East Cooper Food Bank and volunteered for the "Backpack Buddies" (an organization that provides school supplies to less fortunate children).

CONGRATULATIONS ALLYSSA !!!!

INSURANCE CORNER

Dear Brother Knights,

As you know the Knights cover our members and their families with term and whole life insurance, long term care and annuities. Now the Knights have a new product to help protect our families, that is, disability insurance.

Starting on April 1st the Knights will offer Disability Insurance for those aged 18 to 61. (Coverage will be up to age 67.) For many of us, whose employer doesn't offer this option, this will be of interest. As you may know we have a much higher probability of becoming disabled than we do of dying before age 67, so this is a gap in the protection of our members that the Knights have been working to fill.

If Disability Insurance may be of interest or any of our other products, or you just want to get together to review what you already have, please give me a call. And we can get together to discuss how best to protect your family!

Your Brother Knight,
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Knights of Columbus Field Agent

PS. I wish you a fruitful Lenten season and a Blessed Easter!

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GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS**