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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

Brothers, we have celebrated the holidays, Christmas and New Year. I hope that everyone had a great holiday season.

We have had a great first half fraternal year. We had a record breaking book sale, a successful Operation Hope function, and also had a very successful spaghetti dinner. Our wreath sale was very good. The Christmas social was well attended, good food and all had a good time. Thanks to Jack and Gerry Urbanic for hosting this year's social.

We have approved donations for the midyear in the amount of \$6,000 and look to do more for the end of the year.

Now it is time look forward to the second half of the fraternal year. Let us make it as successful as the first half.

Now for the sixth installment of the Officer's Jewels is the Recorder's jewel.

Your Brother In Christ

James Pancake, Grand Knight



THE RECORDER — Crossed quills. Symbolic of his responsibilities for letter and document (records) writing and preservation.



Calendar of Events February Nocturnal Adoration 03 Stella Maris--8 PM to 8 AM Officer's Meeting 03 Life Center--7 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_ 04 COK --7:30 AM to 5 PM Pro-life/Rosary 05 COK 7:30 AM Super Bowl Party 06 Hosted by Neil and Melinda Whitman St. Valentine's Day_ 14 **Business Meeting** Island Club --Sullivan's Island Dinner: 6:30 PM Meeting: 7:15 PM Presidents Day_ Fourth-Degree Exemplification 25,26,27 Columbia, SC



Family of the Month January, 2011 Neil and Melinda Whitman

Neil and Melinda met at the University of South Florida in Tampa in 1971 and were married in 1972. Upon graduation Neil joined Sears as a management trainee. His career with Sears took them to Key West, Little Rock, Arkansas, and Hammond, Louisiana. In 1981 they moved to Greenville South Carolina where Neil began his career in the staffing industry. The relocated to Mount Pleasant in 2000 where Neil started his own business, Dunhill Staffing Systems, in 2001.

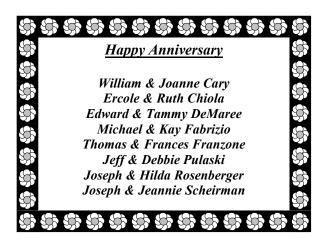
Melinda, a cradle Catholic was born in Hagerstown MD but moved to Tampa as an infant. She attended parochial schools and graduated from USF in 1972. Melinda who works part time for a local attorney is a greeter, member of the Lazarus committee, and has assisted with many KOC functions over the years.

Neil was born in New York and traveled the world as military brat finally settling in Florida in the last sixties. He has worshiped at the churches of the largemouth bass and greenhead mallard and converted to Catholicism in 1981. He joined the Knights in 1989 but didn't become active until 2000 when he moved to the area is a 4th degree Knight. He's currently serves as the Faithful Scribe for Assembly 3243 and Council Recorder. He's a Past Grand Knight, chairs our family picnic, manages our website and email list, and along with Melinda hosts our annual Super bowl Party. Neil is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Charleston Metro Chamber where he's also chaired the annual golf tournament and the East Cooper Area Business Council. He's a past Honorary Commander at Charleston Air Force Base.

Neil and Melinda love the low country and enjoy golf, traveling, the beach, and sampling Charleston's many great restaurants.

They have three grown daughters who all reside in our area. Laura, the oldest, works on the I-26 project, Lisa is married and a nurse at MUSC, and Katie, the youngest, also married, is Neil's business partner at Dunhill. They have three grand dogs, two grand cats, and high hopes for grandchildren in the not too distant future.

Congratulations Neil and Melinda



Knight of the Month January, 2011 Joseph Tarr

Joe is a native of New Jersey. He graduated from LaSalle College in Philadelphia in 1966. Joe has been in sales and sales management for 42 years. Joe is married to Cecilia, they have three children, Candace, Joe and Barbara, they moved to Mt. Pleasant from Hudson, Ohio in 1990 and joined Christ Our King parish. For the last 20 years Joe has been the Office Furniture Division Manager at Wulbern-Koval Company. They also have two other children, Alicia and Nadia. All five children graduated from college (there proudest accomplishment). The most recent is Barbara who graduated from the Maryland Institute College of Art in May, 2010 and now lives in San Francisco. They have a total of four grandsons. Cecilia, Joe's wife of 35 years has her own business, Cecilia Tarr Workroom, and specializes in window treatments.

Joe joined the Knights of Columbus in 1992, and is a First Degree Knight. Over the years he has volunteered, when time permits, for Wal-Mart collections, Hot Dog sales, Pancake Breakfasts, Spaghetti Dinners, and the Food Booth at the COK/SM bazaar.

Cecilia, loves gardening, and they both like to travel, read, and enjoy going to the beach with there three dogs and grandchildren.

Congratulations Joe and Cecilia

Youth of the Month October, 2010 Richard Garcia, Jr.

Richard Garcia, Jr. (Ricky) is an active member of Christ Our King church. Prior to this year he was an active member of St. Benedict's parish where he served as an Altar Server. He attended Christ Our King through 8th grade and is attending Bishop England. He is a member of the Junior Varsity Basketball team. Over the years Ricky has participated in a number of Community activities including the Tootsie Roll drive, sale of Christmas Trees, visited the elderly at the Frankie Home, served lunch at the Neighborhood house, worked Habitat for Humanity, and is a member of the "Retreat Team at Bishop England.

Ricky enjoys fishing, playing x-box and spending time with Family and Friends.

Congratulations Ricky



Youth of the Month January, 2011 Olivia Schertz

Olivia, is a Junior at Bishop England, she is also a member of Christ Our King parish. Olivia excels academically at Bishop England, and is involved in Softball and swimming. She is involved in the Nation Honors Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Band Buddies and the Retreat Team where she is a Small Group Leader.

Olivia volunteers at Habitat for Humanity, Wonderland Camp, and East Cooper Community Outreach.

Olivia attends mass at Bishop England during her lunch period, she has a kind loving heart, and her love for Christ overflows to the people around her.

Congratulations Olivia

<u>Calendar of Events</u> <u>March</u>		
Officer's Meeting	03	
Life Center7 PM		
Nocturnal Adoration	03	
Stella Maris8PM to 8 AM		
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	04	
COK 7:30 AM to 5 PM		
Pro-Life/Rosary	05	
COK 7:30 AM		
Ash Wednesday	09	
Business Meeting	15	
Island Club- Sullivan's Island		
Dinner: 6:30 PM		
Meeting; 7:15 PM		
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Knights of Columbus Day of the Unborn Child	25	
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SUPER-BOWL PARTY

Our 4th annual Super bowl Party is Sunday, February 6, 2011. Please plan on joining Neil and Melinda, and our KOC friends as we cheer your favorite to victory. We'll gather at 5, pick the winning squares, then enjoy some good food and company. Our council will provide the meats, condiments, and beverages so please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Kickoff is around 6:30 so get there in time to socialize before the first commercial.

Please RSVP your attendance plans including how many in your group. Of course children and potential brother knights are welcome.

Your Brother In Christ Neil Whitman ngwhitman@yahoo.com. Or call 270.9834

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