



EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Brother Knights,

I want to by thanking everyone who helped with this year's Free Throw competition, especially BK Matt Story. I also want to thank everyone who came out on Feb. 28th for Operation Hope. Please make note that we will be having another Operation Hope in April. Special congratulations, to BK Bob Miller who is our most recent member to become a 4th degree knight. To keep up with the latest news be sure to visit our council's web site at

www.kofc9475.org

Just a reminder that it is time to think about Officer Elections once again and any Brother Knight who has attained the 3rd degree and is in good standing with the council may run for an officer's position.

If any brother knows of a member of this council, or an unassisted brother of the order, sick or in distress please contact me (843) 884-2964.

Please note that our next officers meeting will be held on Thursday March 5th starting at 7:00pm at my house.

Blessed Wishes,

Thomas L. Kelly
Grand Knight

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*Daniel & Ann Canterbury
Steve & Patricia Groves
Tracy & Ashley Kinsinger
Barry & Jacquie Sturmer
Michael & Paula Swindle*



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

Officer's Meeting_____	05
Tom Kelly's—1204 Old Course Lane—	7 PM
Nocturnal Adoration_____	05
Stella Maris—8PM to 8AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	06
COK—7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/ Rosary_____	07
COK—7:30 AM	
Soup & Sandwich_____	11
Stella Maris—6 PM	
St. Patrick's Day_____	17
Business Meeting_____	17
Island Club-Sullivan's Island	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:30 PM	
Annunciation of the Lord_____	25
Knights of Columbus of the Unborn Child_____	25
Founder's Day_____	29
March 29, 1882	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Daniel Ames
Nichola Annan
Maurice Artigues
Matthew Blackwood
R. Joseph Bolchoz, Jr.
Mark Calabrese
James Carter
Mark Coulthard
Mark Kelly
Patrick Malone
Henry Miller
Jim Posda
Joseph Rosenberger
Steven Shumaker
William Stites
Michael Strojny
Barry Sturmer
Ross Sullivan
Tim Voit
Steven White
Neil Whitman*



**KNIGHT OF THE MONTH
FEBRUARY, 2009
GENE KNISLEY**

Gene was born in Charleston and grew up in rural St. Mary's Parish on Yorges Island, SC. Following high school, he entered the army and served in several units from 1952-55, including the 11th Airborne Div., 187 Regimental Combat Team and the 82nd Airborne Div. Following separation from the military, he attended The Citadel as a veteran student and received a BSCE degree in 1960. During his professional career, he received graduate degrees in both engineering and business.

Gene retired from active engineering practice in 1991 but continues to be involved in project design and construction with the Charleston Naval Complex Redevelopment Authority as Operations Director.

Gene is married to the former Natalie Johnson of Charleston. They have three children: Tom, a brother Knight, Tracy Hahn in Florence, SC and Tim in New Berne, NC. Gene and Natalie have seven grandchildren and expect to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next year. Gene credits Natalie for keeping their family close.

Both Gene and Natalie are active in Christ Our King Parish and together serve as Ministers of the Eucharist. Natalie also serves those in hospitals and the homebound. Gene says they gift each other by attending daily Mass together, where he also serves as a Lector.

He is a Third Degree Knight and was initiated into the Knights through P. N. Lynch Council in 1959 and was recently reactivated into our Council. He says he is indebted to John Murphy for encouraging him to reactivate.

Shamrock is the national flower of Ireland. According to legend, St. Patrick planted it in Ireland because its three small leaves represented the Holy Trinity. All loyal sons of Eire still wear a shamrock in their lapels on St. Patrick's Day. The name shamrock, which means trefold (three-leaved). It is given to a number of plants, but a small clover is usually considered the true shamrock. Its leaves have a blue-green color. The shamrock appears with the thistle and the rose on the British coat of arms, because these are the national flowers of Ireland, Scotland, and England.



March 2009 Gardening Tips

In March we gear up for the spring growing season. Because of the danger of a late frost it is best to hold off planting summer flowering annuals until the second half of the month. Pre-emergent weed control can be applied until Mar. 10. Carefully read the label as it can be harmful to grass that is coming out of dormancy. This is a good time to aerate your lawn. Start replacing last year's mulch but wait before placing under your azaleas and camellias until all the flowers have fallen. Organic mulches are preferable because they add organic material to the soil. Mulch is important for keeping soil from getting too hot, for moisture retention, for helping to control weeds, and for a good looking appearance. Some good mulches are: bark nuggets, pine straw, shredded hardwood, and slightly shredded leaves. Pine straw is best for slopes. One bale covers 20 sq. ft. Bark nuggets have a tendency to float away during hard rains. Apply mulch at a depth of 3". Keep it at least 2" away from plant's trunk or stem.

After you see growth buds on rose bushes, fertilize with a slow release fertilizer. Shrubs starting to show new growth need fertilizing with 16-4-8 slow release fertilizer. Fertilize azaleas and camellias after they finish blooming. Begin giving houseplants the recommended amount of fertilizer. Warm season grass should not be fertilized until April or 2 weeks after it has begun to turn green. (e.g. Centipede, Bermuda, Zoysia, and St. Augustine)

Because they provide nutrition to the bulb, do not cut back the leaves of spring flowering bulbs.

Late in the day when bees are not present, spray roses for black spot.

Apply fire ant bait over entire yard if you have had a problem with them. For long term control use a product containing fipronil.

In the later part of the month or when weather warms up you can plant seeds for summer annuals and vegetables such as beans, cucumber, corn, squash, and most herbs. You can also put out seedlings for onions, peppers, and tomatoes.

Brother Knights—We are looking for someone to volunteer to pick up getting the Family of the Month nominations. If you would be interested call Tom Kelly @ 884-2964.

A STORY TO REMEMBER

There is a legend of 3 horseman crossing the desert at night. Out of the darkness came a voice commanding them to dismount and fill their pockets with pebbles. After they had obeyed and remounted, the voice declared, "Tomorrow at sun-up you will both be glad and sad.:

When dawn came, they reached into their pockets and discovered no pebbles, but diamonds. Then they were both glad and sad-glad they had taken as much as they had: sad they had not taken more!

And so it is with life insurance!

Brothers, if you know you need to review what you have-don't wait any longer. Call me.

Steve Kramp
771-2437

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<u>APRIL</u>	
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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament_____	03
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Pro-Life/Rosary_____	04
COK —7:30 AM	
Palm Sunday_____	05
Holy Thursday_____	09
Good Friday_____	10
Easter Sunday_____	12
State Convention _____	17, 18 &19
Marriott Hotel	
Business Meeting_____	21
Island Club-Sullivan's Island	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:30 PM	

COUNCIL OFFICERS

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AND
GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS**