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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

My Brother Knights,

I'm pleased to report that we've come very close to meeting the requirements for Star Council, with one large exception that being insurance. WE NEED SEVEN NEW INSURANCE MEMBERS TO QUALIFY FOR STAR COUNCIL. As I'm sure you know our order was founded as a way to provide for the widows and children of deceased Catholic men. The Knights of Columbus continues its tradition of care through a variety of insurance programs. From low cost life insurance to long term care to an annuity program there is a program that will fit your needs. Please contact Steve Dunlap, our Insurance Agent, for a no obligation review of the many options offered by the Knights insurance program. Steve can be reached at 843-224-7263 or stephen.dunlap@kofc.org.

Last month I mentioned the importance of growing our membership. That continues to be one of your most important duties as a Brother Knight. An active recruiting program is vital if our council is going to continue to grow and prosper. What's the best way to recruit a new member – ASK.

Planning for the State Convention being held on May 5-7 is well under way. I've posted registration information on our website at www.kofc9475.org. Even if you don't plan to attend the full convention you're welcome to join us for the hospitality suites on May 5 and 6. In addition to the planned events, there will be a golf tournament, we have commemorative shirts at a good price, and raffles galore. Come join us at the Sheraton Hotel in N. Charleston and have some fun.

Believe it or not we're coming down the home stretch for this Fraternal Year. One of the highlights is the awards ceremony at the State Convention. In addition to being close to qualifying for Star Council we're in the running for several state awards. This year it was our pleasure to nominate the following individuals for some of these awards: Joe Harkins – Knight of the Year, Tom and Fran Franzone – Family of the Year, Mike Swindle – Golden Knight of the Year, Barbara Tarr – Youth Award, and Barry and Jacquie Sturmer – Catholicity Award. Congratulations to all our nominees.

Among our upcoming events are the, the Police and Firemen's Breakfast on April 22 (volunteers needed), a wine tasting and cigar bar social on April 28, Christ Our King's family picnic on April 29 (clean up volunteers needed), the State Convention May 5-7, an Operation Hope fundraiser on May 13th, and the book sale slated for some time in May.

May God continue to pour his blessings on our council, our troops, and our great country.

Yours in Christ,

Neil Whitman
Grand Knight

HAPPY EASTER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Pro-Life/Rosary	01
COK — 7:30 AM	
Officer's Meeting	06
Life Center — 7 O'Clock	
Nocturnal Adoration	06
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	07
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Mepkin Abbey Men's Retreat	08
9 AM to 3 PM	
Palm Sunday	09
Good Friday	14
Easter Sunday	16
Regular Monthly Meeting	18
Island Club — Sullivan's Island	
Dinner — 6:30 PM	
Meeting — 7:30 PM	
Police & Firemen's Breakfast	22
Grace Hall Following 8 AM Mass	
National Volunteer Week	23-29
National Fraternal Week	23-29
Wine Tasting and Cigar Bar Social	28
Geri and Jack Urbanic's House	
Christ Our King Family Picnic	29
Palmetto Park — 11 AM to 3 PM	

2ND ANNUAL MEN'S KOFC RETREAT

emphasizing the
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Where: Mepkin abbey
When: Saturday, April 8, 2006
Why: Spiritual renewal and fulfill our
Easter Duty.
Time: 9 AM to 3 PM

To sign up, please call: Eugene McLaughlin (849-2271),
Paul Midghall (881-4190) , or Bill Harrington (209-4038)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION EARLY HISTORY

The power to forgive sins was granted by Christ to the Apostles (John 20:21-23). The basics of this sacrament which was implemented to forgive sins committed after Baptism are confession and penance. Ordained priests as the lawful successors to the Apostles have this judicial "power of the keys to heaven", which means they act as God's representative on earth in the forgiveness of sins on his behalf (Matthew 16:19, 18:18). They have the power to "bind or loose" (retain or forgive) sins that are confessed. In this sacrament, the confessor (penitent) acts as the accuser, the accused and the witness all at the same time. The priest announces judgment and sentence. Penance was not a human invention but was instituted as a means to remove the obstacle that keeps the soul away from God. Without sincere sorrow forgiveness (absolution) is not possible and the sin becomes greater than before.

Controversy has existed throughout the history of the Church concerning whether confession is either too lenient or too severe and even whether it should exist as a sacrament at all. The Council of Trent (1551) clarified the role of the Church in the forgiveness of sins. The argument had been made since the 2nd century that there were "lighter" sins which the bishop could forgive and grievous sins which only God could forgive. In the primitive Church confession and penance were performed in public in the presence of the Bishop. Later teachings of the Church have solidified the concept that priests, as the representative of God, can hear private confessions and forgive or retain sins with the act of absolution followed by penance performed by the confessor.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**PAUL BARRERA
STEPHEN CHADWICK
PAUL DONOHUE
JAMES DUBROUILLET
MICHAEL FABRIZIO
RICHARD KARKOWSKI
MARK LIPSMAYER
DAVID LUGO
DAVID MICHAEL
SEAN O'TOOLE
MICHAEL RICCIARDONE
MICHAEL ROTH
WILLIAM RUSSO
RICHARD SCHILIRO
ROBERT SUMMERS**

GARDENING COLUMN

by

Peggy Kiser , Clemson University Master Gardener

Prune camellias and azaleas as soon as they finish blooming. Be sure to clean up all fallen blooms and replace with fresh mulch to control petal blight. Use a dormant oil (Volck is a good one) on camellias and gardenias to prevent whiteflies and control scale. Be sure to spray all surfaces of the leaves. In the spring, gardenias need to be sprayed with some type of insecticide (Orthene or Cygon are good choices), or an insecticidal soap. Some insecticidal sprays state that gardenias should not be sprayed. ALWAYS READ THE LABEL.

Established shrubs should be fertilized as soon as they show new growth. This should be the last feeding for azaleas. Camellias can be fertilized this month or next. Fertilize bulbs after they bloom. Sprinkle and water in superphosphate at a rate of 1 tbsp per plant or 2 lbs. per 100 square feet. Iris will benefit from 1/2 cup of superphosphate per plant in the spring. Spring flowering bulbs (except daffodils and crocuses) should be divided after flowers fade and foliage begins to turn yellow. Do not cut leaves back until they turn brown. The leaves provide chlorophyll to the bulb for next year's blooms.

Before planting annuals and perennials "harden off"; set out during the day and bring inside at night for four days. This acclimates them to the cooler temperatures.

Plant canna, caladium, and gladiola bulbs. For longer blooming season, stagger planting of gladiolas every two weeks. In sandy soil, plant 6" to 7" deep; in clay soil, 4" is sufficient. Use only bonemeal or superphosphate. When leaves sprout, you can fertilize with 5-10-10 or 4-12-12. Use no more than 2 lbs. per 100 square feet.

Bird houses should be cleaned out to be ready for nesting. Put out humming bird feeders. Clean and refill bird baths.

Attack mole crickets early.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

**AMY & BRIAN AGNEW
CONNIE & JAMES BALL
CAROL ANN & PAUL CURRAN
NANCY & DENNIS D'ANNUNZIO
NICOLETTE & TIMOTHY DAVIS
SHARON & MARK FOSTER
SANDRA & GARY FREEMAN
FRANCESCA & JOSEPH FRICK
ERIKA & MICHAEL KENNEDY
PEGGY & HOYT KISER
KIMBERLY & PATRICK LAMONTAGNE
PAULA & GREGORY MARTISKA
DOROTHY & JOSEPH PALISI**

PERMANENT LIFE INSURANCE

Whole life insurance calls for premiums to be paid for your entire life, or to age 100. You may want to consider a permanent life insurance product – one with guaranteed cash values – that offers a limited period of premium payments. The Knights of Columbus offers three permanent life insurance products for which premiums do not have to be paid for all of life.

“Twenty Pay Life” is exactly as the name suggests – a permanent plan with premiums payable for only 20 years. After the premiums are paid for the 20 years, the plan is “paid up” and no more premiums are due. Unlike its term counterpart, however, the plan stays in force, the death benefit remains intact and the guaranteed cash value continues to grow.

Another such plan is our “Life Paid Up at 65.” You buy this permanent product and you only pay premiums to age 65. Then, premiums stop (just in time for retirement), but the plan remains very much in force.

Finally, the ultimate in limited pay is our Single Premium Life product. Imagine buying life insurance – permanent life insurance – and only paying one single premium? It’s possible.

I have detailed information on all of these products. At your convenience, I’ll meet with you and your spouse to perform a free, custom-tailored needs analysis, to help determine which of our many life insurance products is right for you and your family.

Steve Dunlap, Phone 569-1954 Email: stephen.dunlap@kofc.org

CHRIST OUR KING PICNIC

WINE TASTING SOCIAL

A Wine Tasting and outside Cigar bar Social will be held on **Friday, April 28, 2006 at Geri and Jack Urbanic’s house @ 7:30 PM.**

Bring along your favorite hors d’oeuvre to share with others. You will have to call Jack at 886-2591 to get a gate pass. Come and join us for a little wine and a lot of fun. Bring a prospective member along with you. Hope to see you there.

Geri and Jack Urbanic
26 Edgewater Alley
Isle of Palms, SC

At Palmetto Park, Saturday, April 29 from 11 am to 3 pm, Big Oak Shelter. There will be plenty of food, fun and music along with cotton candy, popcorn, clowns and kites. Plenty of fun for everyone. Mark your calendars.

COUNCIL OFFICERS

Co-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. James A. Carter	884-5587
Co.-Chaplain	Rev. Msgr. Lawrence B. McInerney	883-3109
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Treasurer	Pat Piglia	216-7680
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Outside Guard	Michael Kennedy	216-1111
3 Yr. Trustee	Joe Harkins	881-5768
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1 Yr. Trustee	Tom M. Franzone	856-3480

Program Director	Tom A. Franzone	884-5670
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Newsletter	Fran Franzone	884-5670
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District Deputy	Jack Urbanic	886-2591
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