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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brother Knights and Families,

What an amazing turnout at our last monthly meeting. Two days before Thanksgiving and we had over 35 Brother Knights in attendance. My thanks go out to all of you for getting and staying involved in your Council. A special thank you to Ron Davis for supplying the magnificent Thanksgiving style feast. We actually ran out of the stuffed turkey and my apologies for that. Perhaps we can have Ron arrange for a similar style dinner another month and we can do it all over again. I believe we all have enough to be thankful for that we could celebrate it more than once a year.

Speaking of celebrating, by the time you receive this newsletter the calendar will have turned to December and since we will not send out our next newsletter until after Christmas let Andrea and I be one of the first to wish each one of you and your families a health, happy, and merry Christmas. Christmas means two things to our Council, first and foremost it is the celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ and secondly Christmas wreath sales. Please contact Tom Franzone if you can assist in the selling of wreaths this year. These wreaths are always popular and sell quickly and we can always use the extra assistance, especially during the first few weeks of the sales. Additionally this year we will be selling Keep Christ in Christmas magnets for \$5. If you were at the meeting you saw how great these magnets look and were able to pick up some for yourself. When I am starting to feel overwhelmed after spending hours running around town or online looking for that video game my son wants I think of the saying "Keep Christ in Christmas". Above all the commercialism this season has become. when I reflect back on the true meaning of Christmas it puts everything in the proper perspective for me.

I encourage each of you to reflect with me this Christmas season when you start to feel overwhelmed by the effects of the season. It works and is sure a lot cheaper than a psychologist. Let's also remember to do our parts to help out the less fortunate this season and support the various Christmas Angel trees in our Parishes and community.

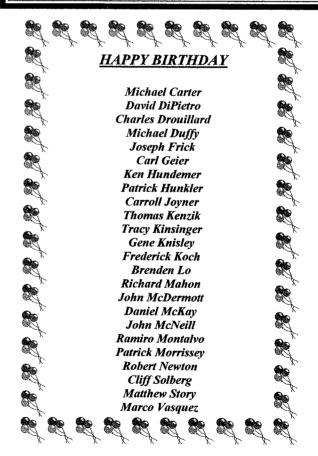
Until next month, may God bless and keep you,

John Gallagher Grand Knight

> MERRY CHRISTMAS



CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Pro-Life/Rosary	01
Officer's Meeting	06
Life Center — 7:00 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	07
Stella Maris — 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	08
COK — 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM	
Feast of the Immaculate Conception	08
Holy Day of Obligation	
Christmas Social	08
Sandy and Pat Piglia—7PM	
Mt. Pleasant Christmas Parade	09
Business Meeting	18
Island Club-Sullivan's Island	
Dinner: 6:30 PM	
Meeting: 7:30 PM	
Christmas	25
Third Degree	27
New Year's Eve	31



DUES ARE NOW DUE

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH November, 2007 Bill Harrington

Bill was born in 1954 as the 3rd of eight children born to Francis and Georgia Harrington in Britt, Iowa. He graduated from high school in 1972 and from Buena Vista University of Storm Lake, Iowa in 1976 with a degree in education. He taught high school math and coached baseball, football, track, and golf for 3 years before returning to college.

It was at the Palmer College of Chiropractic that Bill met his wife, Gloria. Gloria is from Taber, Alberta, Canada. They were married on November 12, 1983 and opened their chiropractic office in Marengo, Iowa at about the same time. Their only child, Michael, is a senior at the College of Charleston. Michael plays baseball for the nationally rated team and is majoring in Exercise Science. He received 1st Team All-Southern Conference and All-Atlantic Region honors for the 2007 season and was drafted by the Baltimore Orioles but decided to return for his senior season and get his degree.

Bill and Gloria sold the Marengo Chiropractic Center and moved to Charleston in 2004 to follow their son's baseball career. They are not currently practicing but are looking forward to the possibility of opening a practice in the Mount Pleasant area in the future.

Bill joined the Knights in 1983 and is a former two-term Grand Knight. He won the Iowa State KC Golf Tournament in 1985 by shooting an even par 72, although anyone who's played with him lately would never believe it (according to him). He is the current Chancellor for Council 9475 and has been active with the Mepkin Abbey Retreat, Operation Hope, spaghetti dinners, and other functions.

Bill and Gloria are members of Christ Our King parish and enjoy reading, volunteering, and exercising in addition to watching baseball games. A big part of their new life in Charleston is centered around the many wonderful friends they have made through the Knight's of Columbus.



CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Our Christmas social will be held at Sandy and Pat Piglia's house on

Saturday, December 8, at 7 PM. Please bring an hors d'oerve to share and a "white elephant" gift (one per person) to trade. Gift can be an unused household item, or if purchasing an item it should not exceed \$10.00. This is traditionally a fun eventful evening, and one to which you should bring a new prospective member. Directions: Rifle Range Rd. to Raven's Run, the gate entry number is #5456, after you go through the gate take the first right and their

house is the eighth house on the right.

Sandy and Pat Piglia 1876 Omni Blvd. 216-7680

December Gardening Tips By Mary Irene Katsibas Clemson University Master Gardener

Houseplants and gardeners use this month and next as a resting period. Houseplants need less water and half strength fertilizer. Gardeners have fewer chores and weeds to pull. On pleasant cool days it is wonderful to just be able to putter around in the yard enjoying being outdoors. Lawns will need periodic watering especially in warm and windy weather. The last leaves need to be raked, shredded, and used for mulch. Tools should be cleaned, sprayed with lubricant, and neatly stored. Clean your lawnmower, drain the oil and gasoline, and sharpen the blade. Flowerpots used for annuals need cleaning with a 4:1 water and bleach solution before being stored away. Winter annuals need a fertilizer that works in cold soil. Choose one containing "nitrate nitrogen". But don't fertilize perennials. If you see bulb foliage emerging too soon, cover with pine straw to hide them. No need to worry about cold damage. New bare root roses can be planted and established roses transplanted, but don't fertilize, deadhead or prune them. Everything should be mulched. Cut back dead or dying perennial stalks 2"-3" from the ground. (Except those having hollow stems or seeds for the birds) Black oil sunflower seeds are the best for your bird feeders. This is a good time to pull off English ivy from any trees. Watch the weather reports for freeze warnings. Mulch for protection and move containers to a protected spot. Plastic is not good for covering plants because it holds in a lot of heat and when plants are in the sun they can get burned. Instead, use something fabric such as a sheet or blanket Indoor holiday plants such as poinsettia need to be placed in a cool spot near bright light but not in direct sun. To promote good drainage, poke holes in the bottom of foil wrappings and place on a saucer being careful not to over water. After flowering, Amaryllis bulbs can be kept to plant outdoors in the spring. Be sure your Christmas tree always has plenty of water. Additives aren't necessary to keep the tree fresh. Plain water is the best preservative.

CHRISTMAS WREATH'S



The Christmas Wreath's have arrived, the next 75 is do to arrive on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. They are going fast. We still need volunteers to sell the wreath's in the evenings. Please call Tom Franzone @ 884-5670 or 729-7734. Thanks to all the ladies who helped decorate.

OYSTER ROAST

The Oyster Roast will be held on Saturday, January 26, 2008, at Gold Bug Island. Mark your calendars. More details will be in the January Newsletter. Volunteers are needed.

CHRISTMAS

This Christmas give your family a gift that they'll cherish. It is a gift that shows that you truly love your family. Life insurance.

When you purchase life insurance it isn't just for yourself. It

is for your entire family.

Life insurance does two things. The first thing is it provides you and your wife with an income during your retire-ment years. It enables you to live and not worry about money. You may go and do what you want.

The second thing it does is it protects your loved ones if you were to die prematurely. It gives your family finan-cial protection so that they may survive in your absence. It can be nearly impossible for a family to live with-out life insurance when the breadwinner dies.

Be a real St. Nick and get life insurance today.

Steve Dunlap

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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AND
GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS