



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## NO GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Daniel Ames*
- Nichola Annan*
- Maurice Artigues*
- Matthew Blackwood*
- R. Joseph Bolchoz*
- 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*
- Steven White*
- Neil Whitman*



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- Henry & Josie Aduma*
- Daniel & Anne Canterbury*
- Tracy & Ashley Kinsinger*
- Barry & Jacquie Sturmer*
- Michael & Paula Swindle*

## **HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY**



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### MARCH

Officer's Meeting_____	06
Life Center—7 PM	
Mepkin Abbey Retreat_____	08
St Patrick's Dinner_____	08
Stella Maris Parish Hall	
Palm Sunday_____	16
St Patrick's Day_____	17
Monthly Business Meeting_____	18
Island Club—Sullivan's Island	
Dinner—6:30 PM	
Meeting—7:30 PM	
Good Friday_____	21
Easter Sunday_____	23
Spaghetti Dinner_____	26
Grace Hall—5 to 7:30 PM	
Founder's Day_____	29
March 29, 1882	

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**East Cooper Council #9475**

#### **SPAGHETTI DINNER**

*Wednesday, March 26, 2008—5 to 7:30 PM*  
**Christ Our King Life Center—Grace Hall**

*Adults \$7.00—Children 6 to 11 \$5.00—Under 6 Free*  
*Includes Spaghetti, Meatball, Salad, Bread, Dessert & Refreshment*  
Eat In or Take Out

### CONGRATULATIONS

On January 13, at Council 704, Ed Demaree, Bob Miller, Gary Freeman and Miller Shealy received their Second Degree, then on January 27th at the Citadel Council they all made their Third Degree.

On February 23, in Columbia, SC., Jerry Barnet, Marco Vasquez and Phil Chuy received their Fourth Degree. Congratulations to all.

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

**Pat and Sandy Piglia**  
February, 2008

Pat and Sandy have been married for 41 years and have two grown children and four grandchildren.

Pat grew up in the Cleveland area of Ohio and earned a Bachelor of Science at Kent State University and a Masters of Business Administration from Michigan State University. Sandy grew up in Detroit Michigan. Pat and Sandy met at work in Detroit and after an "office romance" were married in 1966. Pat and Sandy lived in various cities as Pat enjoyed a successful, 38-year career in manufacturing management. He began his career with Chrysler in Detroit where he spent 11 years. He retired from National Aviation Products in Tempe, Arizona after being with them for 15 years.

Pat and Sandy moved to Mt. Pleasant in August 2002 to be midway between their two grown children's families. Pat and Sandy's daughter Lisa is a physician in Durham, North Carolina and is married to Guido Ferrari (also a physician). They have two children, Giacomo and Luisa. Pat and Sandy's son Scott is a teacher in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida and is married to Angie (also a teacher). They have two children, Christian and Isabella. Pat is a Fourth Degree Knight, and has been Treasurer for East Cooper Council for 3 years, Pat and Sandy are members of Christ Our King Church where Pat is Eucharist Minister. Pat is active in the Cursillo movement and is assisting in the prison ministry. Sandy is active in the choir and the worship group for Divine Mercy. She also does the Rosary at Sandpiper Nursing Center. In addition to their spiritual life together, Pat and Sandy enjoy many activities together including biking. Pat is also an avid college sports fan.

**CONGRATULATIONS PAT AND SANDY !!!!!**

### MEPKIN ABBEY RETREAT

The date for this year's retreat is March 8th and the theme is the theological virtue of HOPE. Please let me know if you would like to attend. For those of you who are new, this is a one day retreat ( 9-3 ) and is an opportunity to receive confession right before Easter. The cost is \$15.00 and that includes lunch and a continental breakfast. We will arrange carpooling in a few weeks. If you know someone who is not on the e-mail list, but may like to attend, please contact them. Spouses are invited also.

Also, a new 40 Days for life began on Feb. 6th. Please pray hard for the end of the terrible sin of abortion. If you would like to get more involved in a proactive way, please let me know.

Bill Harrington  
843-209-4038

## March Gardening Tips

Spring planting fever arrives with warmer temperatures but please remember that March 15 is the last frost date for this area. Wait until after that date to plant the tempting annuals already appearing in the nurseries and big box stores. Do not replace last year's mulch because it could be harboring diseases. Pine straw, shredded leaves, shredded wood mulch, and bark nuggets are all good mulches. Pine straw is better than the others for sloped areas. After azaleas finish blooming, replace mulch and prune. Pre-emergent weed control can be applied up until March 10. Always read the label. Weed and feed is not timed for Southern lawns and should not be used. Warm season grasses should not be fertilized until April or until two weeks after they are fully green. When plants and shrubs show new growth use a 16-4-8 fertilizer.

Check underside the leaves of camellias and gardenias for scale. If present, spray with horticultural oil. Remove and discard daylily leaves showing reddish brown streaks or brown spots. This indicates a fungus. Begin a regular schedule of spraying roses for powdery mildew, black spot and insects. In order to avoid killing bees, spray at dusk. Plant potted roses as early as possible before the heat sets in. Fertilize roses with a slow release fertilizer before they begin to leaf out. Since spring flowering bulbs get nutrition from their leaves they should not be cut back or braided. Pick their spent blooms so seed pods do not form. Deadhead and fertilize pansies and other spring flowers. Formal hedges require regular shearing of new growth during the growing season. Shape so that their base is wider than the top to allow light to reach the bottom branches. Repot and begin to fertilize houseplants. Sow seeds for annual flowers and vegetables. After the last frost date, vegetable and flower plants can be put into your garden. Tomatoes should be rotated every three years to a different location to prevent diseases.

If you have never grown herbs you really should try few this year and find out how rewarding they are. They are wonderful to have for cooking, for their fragrance and their beauty. They require at least six hours of sun daily, well drained soil, good air circulation and only half amounts of fertilizer. Rosemary, oregano, marjoram, thyme, chives and parsley are all easy to grow in the ground or in pots. Pete's Herbs has varieties that grow well in this area. He sells at the Mt. Pleasant Farmer's Market.



**HAPPY  
EASTER  
MARCH 23, 2008**

**And then begins . . . .**

And then it begins. Someone dear to you...a spouse...a parent has died. The grief covers you like a suffocating blanket and all you want to do is comfort and be comforted. And then it begins. The funeral must be planned. Everyone must be notified. Decisions...decisions...decisions. What were their favorite hymns? What was their favorite dress or suit? Where to have the viewing? Where to put them to rest? It can be overwhelming. And still it comes.... Flowers...limo's...cantor...organist...who gives the eulogy...a reception after the funeral...cancel the order for a new refrigerator with a water purification filter. More decisions. Find the will...who is the executor...who can write checks...is there insurance...are there savings...investments...attorneys...how do we keep everything going? And finally you realize that you really weren't prepared for any of this. She was eighty two and lived two doors down from me. Although her health continued to fail, she was determined to live life with the same determination she had shown all her years. When her husband (my dad) died 10 years ago she could have given up but that was not my mom. She was a hard nosed yankee girl from New Jersey who knew this day was coming. Being practical, she wanted to take some of the burden off my brother and I, so we spent time going over her finances and I was given a good look at her estate...and she made her wishes known to the entire family. Thank God.

Still, it was not enough. Most of us avoid these discussions like the plague. We don't want to deal with the mortality of our loved ones or ourselves. But when we fail to prepare for our deaths, we add confusion and uncertainty to the grief. Because of my mom's practical side, we have not had to wonder about final expenses. How much better would it have been if we had also discussed the funeral arrangements? Today we will lay her to rest and we will celebrate a wonderful life.... Tomorrow I will plan my own funeral.

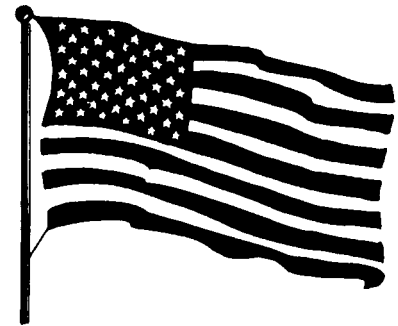
Roy Spurlock

**Our Sincere Condolences to the Roy and his Family, Our thoughts and Prayers are with you. God Bless.**

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<b><u>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</u></b>	
<b><u>APRIL</u></b>	
April Fools Day_____	01
Officer's Meeting_____	03
Life Center—7PM	
Third Degree_____	12
Summerville Council	
World Day of Prayer for Vocations _____	13
Monthly Business Meeting_____	15
Island Club—Sullivan's Island	
Dinner at 6:30 PM	
Meeting at 7:30 PM	
National Volunteer Week_____	April 27—May 3



**GOD BLESS AMERICA  
AND  
GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS**