



# EAST COOPER KNIGHTS

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## GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

My Brother Knights,

We have a very special guest for our October 18th meeting where retired Bishop David Thompson will give a talk on the Eucharist. What an honor it is for our council to have such a distinguished visitor. Let's pay Bishop Thompson the respect he deserves by attending this meeting. We'll begin with a 6:30 meal followed by his talk and our regular business meeting.

As many of you know this month concludes the Year of the Eucharist. Our council has scheduled several activities around this topic including both a men's and ladies retreat and publication of several articles on our website. I want to thank Paul and Marianne Midghall, Bill Harrington, Michael Swindle, and Melinda Whitman for their help with these events.

Our spaghetti dinner was a great success with over 200 attendees. In addition to over \$1000 profit this dinner was a wonderful social event for our friends and families. My sincere thanks to Mickey McMahon, Don Lindeman, Joe Horst, Tom and Fran Franzone, Joe and Peggy Harkins, John and Nancy Murphy, Joe and Barbara Tarr, Melinda Whitman, Barry Sturmer, Rick Karkowski, and the two volunteers from Stella Maris school for their hard work. We're already planning a repeat in January.

At our last meeting we welcomed Patrick Lamontagne and Steve Shumaker to our council when they receive the honors of 1st degree. I'd also like to congratulate Stan Adams, Darin Bish, Rocco Falcone and Don Lindeman who made their 3rd degree this past month.

October's calendar is again full and includes our annual book sale from the 6th through the 14th, our annual harbor cruise on the 15th, a blood drive on the 23rd, and Halloween social on the 29th. Details on each event are listed in this newsletter.

Please keep the victims of hurricanes Katrina and Rita as well as our troops and religious in your prayers.

God Bless You and God Bless America,

Neil Whitman  
Grand Knight

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Ladies Retreat	01
Mepkin Abbey — 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM	
Officer's Meeting	06
Life Center — 7:00 PM	
Nocturnal Adoration	06
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	07
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/ Rosary	08
COK — 7:30 AM	
Book Sale	06 to 14th
BiLo Shopping Center Ben Sawyer Blvd.	
Harbor Cruise	15
Regular Business Meeting	18
Island Club-Sullivan's Island 6:30 Dinner, 7:30 Meeting Bishop Thompson will speak	
Blood Drive	23
COK	
Halloween Social	29
Mike & Paula Swindle's House	
Halloween	31

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

FRANCIS BLAIR  
 ROBERT BOYLE  
 ROBERT BRIMMER  
 KEVIN CAMPBELL  
 RICHARD CLARK  
 MURRAY COMPTON  
 DENNIS D'ANNUNZIO  
 RAYMOND FRANZ  
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 FRANK SHANNON  
 JAMES THOMPSON  
 JOHN URBANIC  
 GREGORY WILSON  
 ROBERT WRAZEN  
 WILLIAM ZORN

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

### **Fr. Robert Higgins**

Our honoree this month is the new Parochial Vicar at Christ Our King. Fr. Higgins was born in Liberty, NY on 8/22/60, which is where he also was raised. His father lives in Livingston Manor, NY, his mother in Brunswick, GA and his sister in Atlanta. He graduated from Fordham University in 1982 with a double major in English and Education. Following graduation he worked as a high school English teacher, a high rise construction manager, a restaurateur and a stockbroker before answering the call to the priesthood. He has achieved the 4th Degree in the Knights of Columbus and first joined our society in 1993.

He first received his vocational call when he was 6 years old but did not start to act on it until 1978. He graduated from St. Vincent De Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach, FL in 2005. He was ordained as a Deacon in May, 2004 and as a Priest 7/23/05. He met Bishop Baker in 1993 in the Virgin Islands and developed a relationship that resulted in his assignment to our dioceses.

He has been very active in all of the activities of both the church and the Knights since his arrival here in June. He has a special interest in working with seafarers and says Mass, hears confessions and provides spiritual support to at all of the ports in the Charleston area on his day off. He started working with that particular ministry in 1998 during his seminary studies and was trained at the Seamen's Church Institute of New York / New Jersey. He also acts as an advocate for their human rights when required and his fluency in Spanish comes in handy sometimes.

It is not a surprise that a person of his activity level has exercise as his hobby. We have been truly blessed as a group to have a Priest with his level of interest and involvement in our Council.

## **CONGRATULATIONS FR. HIGGINS**

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*RENEE & GUY ARTIGUES  
DEB & RON DAVIS  
MEGHAN & DAVID DIPIETRO  
STACY & GREGORY GORMLEY  
CHRIS & THOMAS KOENIG  
ANN & STEVEN SHUMAKER  
MELINDA & NEIL WHITMAN*

*Our sincere condolences to Mary Mannix and Family on the death of her husband Jim Mannix who passed away on Sept. 4th. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

## LADIES MEETING

**When: Thursday, Nov. 10, 2005**  
**Where: Zeus— Dinner is optional**  
**Time: 7 PM**

Please bring a can good for ECCO. All Knights ladies are welcome.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**East Cooper Council #9475**

**A "Knight" on the Harbor Cruise**  
**Saturday, October 15, 2005 - 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM**  
**Boarding Starts @ 7 PM**

**General Beuregard Patriot's Point Marina**  
**\$25.00 per person**

**includes beer, wine, hors d'oeuvres, and lots of dancing**  
**only 200 tickets, so reserve early**

## HALLOWEEN SOCIAL

Our Halloween Social will be held at Mike and Paula Swindles house on Saturday, October 29th. The time is 7PM.

Mike and Paula Swindle  
695 Lake Point Dr.  
Wakendaw Lakes  
224-8024

Please bring your favorite hors d'oeuvre to share with others. Knights will provide the drinks. Costumes are optional, but would be fun.

Directions: Mathis Ferry Road to Wakendaw Entrance, go down to the end and turn right (S. Barksdale) to the first left (Lake Point) the house is on the corner.

## BLOOD DRIVE

A Blood Drive will be held on Sunday, October 23rd, 8 AM to 2 PM at Christ Our King Gym. Give the Gift of Life.

## DOMINATION OF THE EUCHARIST

During the 13th century St. Anthony of Padua was reported to have converted a hardened heretic through a rather unique contest. The heretic, by the name of Bononillo, was unmoved by the reasoning of St. Anthony.

He asked Bononillo whether he would give up his heresy if his mule were to bow down and adore its Creator who is present in the Blessed Sacrament. The heretic answered he would, provided, he could lay down certain conditions. For two days the mule was not to be fed, and on the third day it was to be led into the public square. On one side of the square would be placed a tempting pile of fresh feed, on the opposite side Anthony could stand with the Eucharist. Anthony agreed under the condition that if he failed, he alone would be blamed because of his own sins.

On the day of the contest Bononillo arrived with his half-starved mule in the town square, which was crowded with observers. He was fully confident that his mule had sense and appetite enough to go after the feed. But he was wrong. Anthony had implored his Lord in the intervening two days for the soul of this heretic. God did not let his faithful servant down. When turned loose, the mule without the least hesitation advanced towards Anthony and knelt in an attitude of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. With much emotion and contrition the heretic too fell on his knees and gave up his heresy. As wonderful as these miracles are; the greatest of all, transubstantiation, has to be viewed with the eyes of faith by the recipients of the Eucharist.

### BOOK SALE

The Book Sale will be held Thursday, Oct. 6th thru Friday, Oct. 14th, 9 AM to 6 PM, at the new BiLo Shopping Center on Ben Sawyer Blvd. Set-up will be Mon. Oct. 3rd, 4th and 5th. Volunteers are needed. Please call John Murphy @ 971-8622.

*Please Note—*

*The Most Rev. Bishop David B. Thompson, Retired Bishop of Charleston will be the guest speaker at the October 18th meeting, at the Island Club on Sullivan's Island at 7:00PM. Please plan to attend.*

## GARDENING COLUMN

by

Peggy Kiser , Clemson University Master Gardener

Perennials, such as candytuft, dianthus, Shasta daisies, snapdragons, pansies and stock; biennial and cool-weather annual beds should be planted when it cools off.

New trees and shrubs should be planted then as well. Planted in the fall, they will grow faster in the spring.

Long and irregular shoots on evergreen shrubs can be pruned, just to shape. Wait until early spring for any major pruning.

Daylilies, liriopé and ajuga can be divided if necessary.

To prepare roses for winter, lightly prune any very long canes, spray for insects and diseases. Remove and replace mulch.

Tulip and hyacinth bulbs should be refrigerated for planting in late December or January.

It's too late to fertilize warm season grasses. Bermuda, centipede and St. Augustine will go dormant during the winter months. They need to slow their growth to prepare for winter.

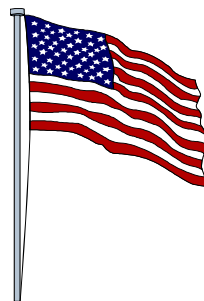
Use soap flushes to check the lawn for mole crickets. If necessary, treat with appropriate insecticides.

A mulching lawn mower will crush falling leaves so that they will decompose faster and benefit the soil. Crushed leaves make good mulch.

Buy mums that are barely showing color for longer blooming period. If you remove dead blooms, they may bloom again.

Refill bird feeders (including humming bird feeders), suet cages and bird baths for migrating birds.

You can encourage butterflies by growing colorful flowers for both the adults and some plants for the caterpillars. Native plants are tolerant of local conditions, tulip poplar, sweetbay magnolia and sassafras trees are good host plants. Caterpillars also eat crabgrass, clover and violets. Butterflies like coneflowers, bright zinnias, pentas, lantanas, verbenas, salvias and old-fashioned hollyhocks. One of the best-known host plants for the larval stage of the monarch butterfly is the butterfly weed. Every leaf may be consumed by the larvae but it will survive and come back the next year.



**GOD BLESS  
AMERICA**

## IS COLLEGE IN THE FUTURE?

If you could buy a \$300,000 estate for each of your children for just a few dollars a week, would you be interested?

You can do it! Reports from the American of Universities and Colleges show that, on the average, the value of college education in a lifetime earnings is over \$300,000.

A college education is one of the greatest gifts any parent can give a child. Unlike stocks, bonds, real estate, and other investments that make up ordinary estates, an education can never be wiped out by a poor economy.

Where will the money come from for college? You hope you'll be able to help- but why hope when you can guarantee? The price of that guarantee is just a few dollars a week until they are ready for college.

Let me help plan for your children's education.

### A NEW WORLD OF PROTECTION

Many of you asked about the Discover- one of the latest additions to the Order's portfolio.

The Discover is a new plan of insurance offered to you and your family. In a nutshell, it is the most modern method of protecting your life- a custom designed package of life insurance at low rates. You decide how much coverage you want. You decide on the amount of your premium. We will match the two, and The Discover will do the rest by blending whole life and term insurance just for you and your family.

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### NOVEMBER

Feast of All Saints _____	01
Feast of All Souls _____	02
Nocturnal Adoration _____	03
Stella Maris — 8 PM to 8 AM	
Officer's Meeting _____	03
Life Center — 7 PM	
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament _____	04
COK — 7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/Rosary _____	05
COK — 7:30 AM	
Veteran's Day _____	11
Regular Business Meeting _____	15
Island Club — Sullivan's Island	
6:30 Dinner — 7:30 Dinner	
National Family Week _____	20-26
Thanksgiving Day _____	24
Christmas Wreaths Arrive _____	25
Christmas Wreath Sale begins _____	26

### REMEMBER OUR SEMINARIAN

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