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GRAND KNIGHTS REPORT

Dear Brother Knights and Families,

Our council's Family Picnic was held on Sunday, August 22nd at Wild Dunes. We only got a little damp, considering the amount of rain that fell in Mount Pleasant. All who attended enjoyed themselves with food, drink, games and fraternizing. I want to thank Neil and Melinda who chaired the picnic, and Jack and Gerry Urbanic who arranged for the use of the Beach House. I also want to thank all of you who came and brought dishes to share.

Congratulations to Brother Knights John Gallagher, Greg Gormley, "Mickey" McMahon, and Michael Rausa who received their Second and Third Degree honors. We would like those Brother Knights who have not proceeded through their Second or Third Degree honors to think seriously of advancing themselves to full Knighthood.

In the next two months, we will be kicking off two very important fund raisers. Operation Hope is our annual tootsie roll drive that will run through the balance of the fraternal year and is chaired by Nick Christopher. The other is our annual State Charity Drive which will be starting in October. We are looking for a Brother Knight to step up and coordinate this effort.

I want to remind you of our council's commitment to **SERVICE**. We have planned fund raising drives, family and social events, and community functions that each of you can participate. Last month I listed our directors in my message, and their telephone numbers can be found on the following page.

Please pray for our President, our troops deployed in foreign lands, our Culture of Life (Right to Life and defeat of the Federal Marriage Amendment), our Priest and religious, and all the sick and distressed throughout the world.

God Bless you and yours,

Joe Harkins
Grand Knight

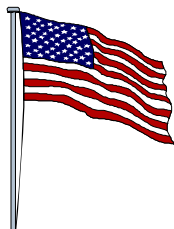
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nocturnal Adoration	02
Stella Maris- 8 PM to 8 AM	
Officer's Meeting	02
Life Center - 7:00 PM	
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	03
COK-7:30 AM to 5 PM	
Pro-Life/ Rosary	04
COK - 7:30 PM	
Labor Day	06
Pancake Breakfast	12
Grace Hall - after 8 and 10 masses	
Regular Business Meeting	21
Island Club - 6:30 Dinner - 7:30 Meeting	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

FRANCIS BUDDS
KENNETH CLAIR
PAUL CURRAN
WILLIAM DANIELS
WILLIAM FOSBERRY
THOMAS M. FRANZONE
BRENDAN GERAGHTY
CLEMENT GRANNAN
DAVE GREEN
JOSEPH HARKINS
ERIC JARRETT
GARY JASTER
DAVID KENT
RICHARD KING
JAMES MANNIX
ROBERT PULLANO
JOHN SCHERRER
FREDERICK SIEBER
STEVEN SIERKO
WILLIAM SIMONS
JAMES ULLRICH

**GOD BLESS
AMERICA**



FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Ron and Deb Davis

The Family of the Month for July 2004 for the East Cooper Knights of Columbus (Council 9475) is Ron and Deb Davis. Ron and Deb have been married for 35-years and have four children – Jay, Tina, Wendy and Joe. Jay is a successful artist in New York, NY and Tina is a cosmetologist in Mt. Pleasant. Wendy, married to Evan Guyer, is a 5th grade teacher at Charles Pinckney Elementary School in Mt. Pleasant and Joe is a rising junior at Wando High School. Joe is an avid fisherman and surfer, and also works part-time at Piggly Wiggly.

Ron grew up in Columbia, SC where he met Deb on a blind date. Deb is originally from California, but grew up all over the United States as a military brat. At the time she met Ron her father was stationed with the Marines in Viet Nam. Ron and Deb were married in 1969 and moved to Mt. Pleasant in 1972. Soon after, Ron began his 22-year career with Amoco Chemical (currently BP) where he worked in many departments including utilities and shipping. In 1980, during his time at Amoco, Ron began a part-time company – Carolina Coin Amusement. After retiring from Amoco, Ron has worked full-time for himself and his company is currently in its 24th year of operations. Ron has also served 5-years in the Marine Reserves and 15-years in the Air Force Reserves before retiring as an E5.

Ron and Deb are members of Christ Our King Parish, where they are active in many ministries. Ron serves as an usher nearly every Sunday at the 10am mass, fills in as an altar server when necessary and is on the Liturgy Committee. Deb sings in the choir, is a cantor at the 8am and 10 am masses, and is also the funeral choir coordinator. Ron volunteers his time and equipment to the St. Vincent DePaul Society. He is also active in scouting, volunteering with Boy Scout Troop 59 at Stella Maris Church on Sullivan's Island, where his son Joe is working his way towards Eagle Scout. Ron joined the Knights of Columbus in 1994 at Council 9475. He currently serves as Lector, where always provides an appetizing and filling meal at council business meetings. In the past, he has held the offices of Outside Guard and Family Director. Ron supports the activities of the Council including providing storage space and helping deliver books for the annual book sale.

Ron, Deb and Joe have lived in Seaside Farms since 2000 and enjoy many activities together including boating, fishing, and just hanging out at the lake or the beach.

CONGRATULATIONS RON AND DEB !!!!!



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2004
AFTER 8 & 10 masses

Pancake Breakfast with all fixings, pancakes, bacon, sausage, eggs, milk, orange juice and coffee. All for just \$5.00 per person. Children 5 and under eat FREE.

GARDENING COLUMN

by

Peggy Kiser, Clemson University Master Gardener

Roses should be fertilized and pruned lightly for good fall color. Deadhead crape myrtles after flower heads fade to encourage a second bloom.

Hydrangeas can be shaped now. When pruning, cut stem all the way to the ground and never cut more than 1/3 of the stems on the bush. Hydrangeas bloom on second-year wood. You will lose next year's flowers if you prune too severely.

Spring and summer-blooming bulbs should be divided as needed. Since tulip and hyacinth bulbs require 6-8 weeks refrigeration, order now. Order early, mid-season and late blooming bulbs for a longer blooming period.

Pinch back coleus, impatiens, begonias and geraniums if they are leggy. Cuttings can be rooted for more plants.

Cut iris leaves back to 6". Divide daylilies in early fall, if needed. When you replant, leave enough room that it won't be necessary to divide them any time soon.

Cut back shrubs that have become overgrown for appearance only. If new shrub growth is light green, use chelated iron to "cure" the chlorosis. Read label carefully. May advise against use if over 90 degrees.

Spray camellias to prevent scale infestation in the fall. If it is too hot, wait a few weeks. For larger blooms, remove all but one bud where there are multiple buds.

Check the underside of leaves for spider mites on ornamentals. A cold spray of water from the hose should knock most of them off. Seed for cool-season annuals such as calendula, snapdragon and stock can be planted now. They will be ready to transplant when it gets cooler. For fall color, plant mums, pansies, snapdragons, calendulas, petunias and ornamental cabbage. Stop pinching mums back. For larger blooms, where there are multiple buds, remove all but one.

Now is an important time for cleanup; leaves, mulch, etc. Good sanitation is the best control for fungus, insects or pests of any description. All can overwinter in leaves, grass clippings or mulch. Camellias, forsythias, azaleas and other flowering shrubs that bloom in winter or spring should not be pruned until after they bloom. Then, prune and fertilize.

Overfertilizing centipede grass will kill it. Do you want it to grow or make it greener? Too much nitrogen will make it grow. For a greener lawn use iron. Centipede is a low-fertility grass and doesn't require as much nitrogen. If you are happy with your lawn's appearance, it doesn't require a fertilizer now.

Now is the time to use a pre-emergent product for winter weeds, using a 15-00-15 plus .22 Dimension.

DID YOU KNOW-Researchers at Columbia University found no difference in the number of infections among people who used antibacterial hand soap and cleaning products and people who used soaps that didn't contain antibacterial agents. The majority of infections are caused not by bacteria but by viruses. Washing with any soap gets rid of viruses and bacteria that cause illness. It's the vigorous rubbing with hot, soapy water that scrapes off the germs.

REMEMBER OUR SEMINARIAN

Robert Higgins
St. Vincent DePaul Regional Seminary
10701 South Military Trail
Boynton Beach, Florida 33436-4811

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
WITH THE
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AGENCY DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS IN YOUR AREA. IF A CAREER SERVING YOUR BROTHER KNIGHTS AND THEIR FAMILIES APPEALS TO YOU THIS COULD BE THE CHANGE OF A LIFE TIME.

***EXCELLENT PAY**
***GENEROUS BENEFITS**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:
ROBERT BONI AT 824-5632

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

Knight of the Month for August is Brother Tom Kelly. Tom joined the Knights in 1992 and has been an active member of our council for the past 12 years. He is a Fourth-Degree Knight and has served our council as Financial Secretary for nine years. In this capacity he has become known as the "Answer Man". There is not much that Tom doesn't know about every member of our council. When something needs doing, Tom is the man you go to. You'll find him at every fund raiser, lending support where needed. He is a regular volunteer at Christ Our King Church and volunteers at ECCO. He shares his time freely with those in need.

Tom and his wife Pat relocated to Mount Pleasant from Greece, New York, a suburb of Rochester. After 30 years of service, he retired as Battalion Chief of the Community Fire Department. Tom and Pat have two children, Mark resides in Summerville and Kristin lives in Rochester, NY. two grandchildren-three year old Nathan and two year old Arron bring their Grandparents a great deal of joy.

CONGRATULATIONS TOM !!!!!

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Retention Chairman	Rick Karkowski	971-3095
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District Deputy	Jack Urbanic	886-2591
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
EAST COOPER COUNCIL # 9475

A "Knight" on the Harbour Cruise
Saturday, October 2, 2004 - 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
General Beuregard Patriot's Point Marina
\$45 per couple / \$25 single

Includes beer, wine, hors d'oeuvres, lots of dancing and fun.

Only 200 tickets so reserve early
Call Neil or Melinda Whitman 856-5034 for reservations