

## K of C Grand Knight Report for MAY 2015

Vivat Jesus

Please accept my apology for the late publication. May has been quite busy for us all. I hope to touch on each event that has transpired since our Business meeting May 4.

John Kost, our Chairman for Pro-Life, has labored for two years stimulating involvement in the Grand Strand Citizens for Life Teen Camp. This year over 40 adults signed up for the first night and were swept away by the knowledge, dynamic personality, and practical experience which the guest speaker Jannique Stewart displayed in her program. More than a few were busy taking notes as she helped us understand how to express our own feelings and help those involved in crisis pregnancy examine theirs, with truth and clarity.

On May 17 our Knights' Communion Breakfast, administered by our Fourth Degree Assembly, was well received at the busy 9:15 Mass, despite filling 3 pews. We had a delightful time at AKEL's and I encourage all Knights to plan on attending next year.

Military Appreciation Day parade and Memorial Day at the Convention Center were brightened by our Fourth Degree Color Guard and Honor Guardsmen. Some of our newest Knights, Alan Bunal and Gary Brown have already acquired their regalia and were fully participating.

Our first Social Meeting of the year hosted Sarah Pope and Cheryl Bauerle of SOS HealthCare as guest speakers. The quality and interest in their program could best be measured by the lengthy question and answer period that followed their presentation on Autism and the service programs which they operate in Myrtle Beach. As well, Jim O'Connor offered an in depth lecture on the naval battle of Laponto, October 7, 1571. The familiar names of the Christian Admirals, Don John (who earned more repute as Don Juan) and Andrea Doria who were pitted against Ottoman Turks as they tried to swarm over Europe were helped by the support of the faithful. The Christians were encouraged to pray the Rosary and pray for heavenly support against the Moslems. This story of galleys and hand to hand fighting to free the Christian galley slaves was a vivid reminder of the terrible history between our people.

In the meantime, Tom Setty continues to steer us in support of Operation Hope, collecting at Sam's Club and Kroger's in Carolina Forest. Lyle Sherburne cracks the whip at the third Sunday's collection for Helping Hand, and Steve and Ann Wright remind us that Catholic Charity needs our help as they help feed the needy in rural Horry County by delivering food from the Low Country food bank to Conway on Council 5086's Monday and Thursday. You and I never should feel unneeded or useless. We have value as caring people. We have a venue to demonstrate our Charity, our Unity, and our Fraternity with all of our brothers, our parish, and our community. Wear your Blue shirt, put on your Knight's badge, pick up the phone and ask us what you can do that makes a difference every day.

I pray God continues to bless us,

Bruce Miller, G.K.