



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community Knights of Columbus All Saints Council 9709

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February 2008

COUNCIL 9709 CELEBRATES 20 YEARS OF SERVICE IN STYLE

All Saints Council 9709 staged perhaps its most elaborate social event ever Jan. 26 in the St. Clare Hall Gymnasium to mark its 20th Anniversary. A number of dignitaries, a Knights Color Guard, the Knights of Columbus Chorale of North Carolina, Mary Adoki, Bob Gottlieb, Brother Manfred Varnhold and seven members of The Franciscan School Builders Club all combined to make the evening one of the most special in anyone's memory.

"It was truly an honor to be the Grand Knight presiding over this celebration," said Grand Knight Mike Darrow. "And a very special thanks to Deputy Grand Knight Tom DuPree for having organized this from 'soup to nuts,' so to speak." Grand Knight Mike Darrow also announced that Deputy Grand Knight Tom DuPree would be the nominee for the Council's Knight of the Year at the 2008 State Convention for his work on the celebration.

Regional District Deputy John Nussbaum, State Deputy John Gouldie and District Deputy and Past Grand Knight Hadon Ware and their wives all shared the head table with Grand Knight Mike Darrow and wife Carol.

Past Grand Knight Hadon Ware led a Knights Color Guard for the event made up of Brothers Tony Evans, Jerry Powell and Jeff Rohman,

The KofC Chorale sang at the 5:30 p.m. Mass Saturday as well as at the 7:30 a.m. Mass Sunday, and entertained the 20th Anniversary Gala attendees with a number of patriotic songs after dinner. Mary Adoki, a professional opera singer and wife of Brother Akuro Adoki, sang a stirring aria from Puccini's opera "La Boheme" at the beginning of dinner. Bob Gottlieb generously provided his special brand of music during dinner, and Brother Manfred Varnhold provided three magnificent crèches for a fund-raising raffle.

Last, but not least, some seven young ladies from TFS Builders Club, a charitable works organization within TFS, served as waitresses during the event. Their youth, enthusiasm and charm helped make the evening special.

2008 KofC BASKETBALL FREE THROW CONTEST SET FOR FEB. 16

All Saints Council 9709 will sponsor its annual youth basketball free throw contest Saturday, Feb. 16, in the Clare Hall Gym at St. Francis of Assisi Church. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m., with registration starting at 8:45 a.m.

The contest is open to all boys and girls in the community, ages 10-14. Age is determined by the age of the contestant as of Jan. 1, 2008. There is no cost associated with the event. Each participant will get 15 shots from the foul line, and ties will be broken by five-shot playoffs.

Last year some 18 boys and girls participated in both the Council's free throw contest as well as the District's contest.

Council 9709 will also sponsor the District Championship again this year, which will begin at 11 a.m. Five St. Francis of Assisi children were also District winners last year.

The Youth Committee needs about eight Brother Knights to assist in running the event. Brother Knights interested in assisting should contact Brother Wrzesien directly at 870-7396 or 624-1592 or by e-mail at mwrzesien@nc.rr.com.



Seven young ladies from the TFS Builders Club served as waitresses during the dinner. Many thanks go to top row (L-R) Megan Izzo, Hayley Razzeto, Shaela Murphy, Eleanor Derouin and bottom row (L-R): Catherine Airey, Rachel Zajdel, Audra Bovender.

FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:

Brothers,

As we move into the Spring, we have many events planned for our Council, so please refer to our activities calendar on the web at www.kof9709.org and save the dates for our Membership Blitz in February and Operation LAMB and our new and improved Scholarship Barbeque in April. These events provide great opportunities to include the family and get to meet other Knights' families all while serving your parish and our community!

An organizational meeting is being planned for the wives of the Knights for mid-March. All wives are invited and encouraged to attend. This group will be formed to assist the Knights and involve our wives in our endeavors. Yet another opportunity for us to involve our families, meet others from our parish and improve our Council.

February also brings the Knights of Columbus State Council Vacation Raffle. Brother Dick Bridges will be contacting you to help sell the 600 tickets we have been assigned based on membership. Remember that for every ticket sold, we get back \$2.50 for Council activities.

Vivat Jesus,


COUNCIL 9709 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**February 2008**

- 16 - Basketball Free Throw Contest, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m., TFS Gym
- 16-17 - Membership Blitz, all Masses
- 19 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., TBD
- 20 - Abbotswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd.
- 26 - Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm
- 27 - Information Night, 7 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm

March 2008

- 1 - Third Degree, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Charlotte, N.C.
- 4 - First Degree/Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Founders Room
- 15 - Trash Pick Up, 9 a.m., St. Francis Parking Lot
- 15 - St. Patrick's Day Parade, noon, Raleigh
- 18 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., TBD
- 19 - Abbotswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd.
- 23 - Easter Sunday
- 25 - Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm
- 29 - Blood Drive, 6 a.m.-4 p.m., Clare Hall
- 29 - Third Degree, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Cary

April 2008

- 1 - Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Founders Room
- 4-6 - Operation LAMB, Friday, 3-9 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sunday, 12-9 p.m.
- 11 - Holy Hour, 7:30 p.m., St. Francis Church
- 12 - Council Barbecue Event, 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m., Jacoba Hall Cafeteria
- 15 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., TBD
- 16 - Abbotswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd.
- 29 - Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm.

FOR THE FIRST DEGREE KNIGHT . . . DID YOU KNOW?

As a Knight of Columbus you . . .

- Provide support for such varied apostolates as the Eternal Word Television Network; the National Clergy Conference on Alcoholism, Morality and the Media; the National Catholic Office for Persons with Disabilities, the National Apostolate for People with Mental Retardation.
- Brought spiritual reinforcement to troops in the Middle East through funding the printing of a weatherproof book of prayers for military chaplains to utilize in the field.
- Renovated St. Mary's Church in New Haven, Conn., the birthplace of the Order, and entombed the remains of the founder, Rev. Michael J. McGivney, therein on March 29, 1982. Completed the 110-year-old construction plan of the church by erecting a 179-foot steeple, including a carillon of three bronze bells, atop St. Mary's.
- Support the spiritual welfare of Armed Services personnel and their families around the globe through a \$900,000 fund for the Archdiocese for Military Services.
- Funded our Order's donation of 200,000 wheelchairs to handicapped individuals throughout the Middle East.
- Paid \$164 million in death benefits to the families of deceased Brother Knights during 2004 and \$320 million in dividends to insurance members.
- Established a North American campus of the Lateran University's Pope John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family in Washington, D.C.

- From KofC "Did You Know?" Pamphlet 4602 7/05

KofC STATE COUNCIL VACATION RAFFLE TICKET SALES TO RUN FROM FEBRUARY INTO APRIL

With the cold winds of winter upon us, thoughts turn to summer vacations and warmer temperatures, and, of course, the KofC State Council Vacation Raffle!

Based upon membership, All Saints Council 9709 has been issued 600 tickets to sell by April 24. The Council will get to keep \$2.50 from every \$5 ticket sold. The other \$2.50 goes to the State Council to fund the State Convention.

"The raffle ticket sale is a win-win proposition for us," said Grand Knight Mike Darrow. "We get half the money raised, and we support the State Council."

Brother Knights will be asked to sign for 10 tickets each to sell. They should return the cash and completed stubs clearly showing the name, address, telephone number of the person(s) purchasing the ticket(s) to project coordinator Brother Dick Bridges no later than April 11.

The winning tickets will be drawn Saturday, May 3 at the State Convention in Asheville. Ticket purchasers do not need to be present to win, and winners will be notified directly by the State Council and printed on the back of next year's raffle tickets, just like this year's. Last year's winners were Delores Bode of Roxboro for the Alaskan cruise and Tammy Mulligan of High Point for the Hawaiian vacation.

The Grand Prize is a 7-10 day Alaskan Cruise for two, including airfare and \$700 cash. Second prize is a seven-night, six day, two-island Hawaiian vacation for two, including airfare, four nights on Waikiki, three nights on Maui, a voucher for a Polynesian Cultural Center Dinner/Show, roundtrip transfers from the Airport at Waikiki and a rental car on Maui. There are also five other consolation prizes, each of \$200 cash.

The \$5 purchase price of the ticket is not tax-deductible, and winners will need to pay applicable taxes, both federal and state, on winnings.



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If you're in the market for insurance and want to make a difference, give Council 9709's Field Agent, Brother Tim Kilpatrick, a call at 847-3799 or 880-3463.

2008 KC VACATION RAFFLE

Sponsored by N.C. STATE COUNCIL

WIN

First Prize - Alaskan Cruise for 2 + \$700 Cash

Second Prize - 7 Day Hawaiian Vacation for 2 + \$500 Cash

Third thru Seventh Prizes - \$200 Cash Each

DRAWING May 3, 2008

Donation \$5.00

Not Tax Deductible

Need not be present to win. Winners responsible for all applicable taxes.

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THREE VOTES FOR GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS SET FOR MARCH 4 MEETING

Attendees at the March 4 business meeting will be asked to vote on three separate motions tabled at the Feb. 5 meeting for disbursement of General Fund monies. Any unbudgeted expenditure over \$200, according to the Council's By-Laws, must be made in a motion at one meeting and tabled for vote at the next business meeting.

At the Feb. 5 meeting, a motion was made to allow up to \$3,500 to be disbursed from the General Fund to cover outstanding expenses from the Council's 20th Anniversary Celebration Dinner on Jan. 26. Some \$2,025 in revenue with another \$60 still outstanding was generated for the event and deposited into the General Fund. Outstanding expenses remaining are \$3,286.48, which include: \$2,202.00 to the caterer, Michelle Cash; \$727.70 to DJ's Event Rentals; \$68.05 to Classic Party Rentals, \$118.53 to International Minute Press and \$170.20 for invitations and postage.

A check from the Fund for \$641.24 was issued to DJ's Event Rentals prior to the motion for using the Fund as a conduit for payment.

"Technically, payment should not have been made prior to Council approval of the motion to authorize the General Fund to make such disbursements. I take full responsibility for the error," said Grand Knight Mike Darrow. The Grand Knight also announced at the Feb. 5 meeting that revenues from future endeavors such as concession stand sales at Durham Bulls games, the Crèche Raffle tickets and revenues from the State Convention Raffle would be applied to the shortfall.

Two other motions were made and seconded at the Feb. 5 meeting that will require a vote March 4. Attendees at the March 4 meeting will be asked to vote on a motion to allow General Fund disbursements from the General Fund to be made commensurate with revenues deposited into the General Fund from Barbecue revenues for the April 12 event estimated to be \$9,080. Attendees will also be asked to approve a \$400 expenditure for eight bricks engraved with the names of the eight Council members who have died since the chartering of the Council to be installed at the Blessed Mary Grotto at the Father Price Council Compound.



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