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LAMB BREAKFAST HONORS "MR. TOOTSIE"

The five KofC Councils that have pooled their LAMB money for local charities the past two years honored the founder of Operation LAMB, "Mr. Tootsie" Bill Scott, at a fall kickoff breakfast in Jacoba Hall Saturday, Sept. 19.

Brother Bill Scott, a Past State Deputy, first conceived the idea of Operation LAMB in 1960 when his oldest son, Billy, was diagnosed with autism and severe retardation. He approached the State Deputy and was told to form a committee to explore the idea. Operation LAMB was born.

"We started out doing small service jobs and helping where we could," recounts Brother Scott. "I remember we bought a horse once, because the children needed one for therapy. We also bought a boat with wheelchair ramps."

The first year that the North Carolina Knights of Columbus began collecting money outside of stores was 1974 when the drive netted a total of \$31,000 statewide, Brother Scott said. Since then Operation LAMB has contributed about \$20 million to organizations helping the intellectually handicapped and is currently netting almost \$1 million annually.



(L-R) Brother Tim Stevens from Council 9709 and Brother David Demo from Council 9880 pose with "Mr. Tootsie" Brother Bill Scott, PSD; wife Maureen, Grand Knight Tom DuPree, Brother Larry Opanasenko from Council 12455 and Brother Jerry Santaro from Council 2546.

Photo: Richard Cox

Grand Knight Tom DuPree along with LAMB Chairmen Brother Jerry Santaro from Father Price Council 2546, Brother Tim Stevens from All Saints Council 9709, Brother David Demo from St. Raphael Council 9880 and Brother Larry Opanasenko from St. Luke the Evangelist Council 12455 presented Brother Scott with a plaque commemorating his 35 years of dedicated service to Operation LAMB. Our Lady of Lourdes Council 12025 was unable to attend.

Over 40 attendees were on hand to congratulate Brother Scott including representatives from five of the eight organizations supported by the five Councils in Raleigh: The Arc of Wake County, the Frankie Lemmon School, Hilltop Home, Learning Together and the Tammy Lynn Center for Developmental Disabilities. Community Partnerships Inc., the Wake County Autism Society and Wake Enterprises were unable to send representatives.

Operation LAMB is run on a calendar basis, and 85 percent of what Councils collect is available for local distribution. The State Council distributes the remaining 15 percent in areas where no local KofC Council is present. Last year the five Raleigh Councils distributed some \$43,923.03 to the eight charities. Council 9709's contribution to that amount was \$20,176.48, the largest amount among the five Councils.

COUNCIL GIVES \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP IN HONOR OF "THE YEAR OF THE PRIEST"

Attendees at the Oct. 6 business meeting approved a one-time donation of \$1,000 to the Priests of St. Francis that will be awarded by the Friars to "an anonymous recipient to further his/her Catholic education." The motion was made and tabled at the Sept. 1 business meeting for vote Oct. 6.

Fr. Mark approached Grand Knight Tom DuPree with the request, and the check will be made out to the church for subsequent disbursement to the recipient in order to maintain the anonymity of the individual.

"This is 'The Year of the Priest,' and I can think of no better way to honor them than by helping them help an individual in this manner," said Brother Dave Vogelpohl, who made the original motion.

The \$1,000 donation to the Friars for education brings the Council's total for scholarships this year to \$5,000. Besides the \$1,000 donation approved Oct. 6, the Council has awarded two \$1,000 merit-based scholarships to Cardinal Gibbons High School students and \$1,000 each to The Franciscan School and the Early Childhood Learning Center at St. Francis.

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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:

Greetings Brother Knights,

We have just completed a very busy September plus the LAMB Program this past weekend. THANKS to ALL the Brothers and their families who supported the Council's projects.

October is the Order's Membership Blitz. Your Council needs your support to help recruit new members to the Order. It is the responsibility of each Brother to ask fellow members of our Parish to join us in support of the Church, priests and families. New members refresh the organization and Council by bringing their talents and leadership.

We should offer the opportunity to every man at Saint Francis. Invite them and their families to an "Informational Night" (see Council calendar for upcoming dates and times). You can use Card (Form 921A) to get contact information: name, phone and email. Turn in to the GK or DGK.

Brothers, I ask that you wear your name badges when you are participating in Church activities. Do not be a "silent" Knight! Be proud to say, "I am a Knight." Share the experience of a lifetime! MEMBERSHIP development is the most important

element of a successful Council. Do your part.

COUNCIL 9709 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 2009

- 10-11 Membership Blitz, all Masses
- 15 2nd Degree Ceremony, Council 7186, Apex
- 17 Youth Soccer Challenge, 9 a.m.-noon, TFS Athletic Field
- 17 3rd Degree Ceremonial, Council 9880, Raleigh
- 20 Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., O'Charley's, 8115 Brier Creek Parkway
- 21 Abottswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd
- 24 4th Degree Exemplification, Sheraton Imperial, Durham
- 27 Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm

NOVEMBER 2009

- 3 1st Degree/Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall
- 17 Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., Capri Restaurant, 6325 Falls of the Neuse Road
- 18 Abottswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd
- 24 Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm

DECEMBER 2009

- 1 1st Degree/Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall
- 12 Adopt-A-Highway Trash Pick Up, 9 a.m., Parking Lot
- 13 Council Christmas Party, 5-9 p.m., Raleigh Crabtree Valley Marriott
- 16 Abottswood 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 . . . KofC GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Last month this column featured undergraduate KofC scholarships. The Knights of Columbus also administers a scholarship program for graduate students.

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The Catholic University of America Graduate Fellowships – In 1907 Archbishop Glennon of St. Louis, Mo., appeared before the Supreme Convention meeting in Jamestown, Va., and proposed that the Knights of Columbus undertake to raise \$500,000 as an endowment fund for The Catholic University of America. The University, in accepting this fund, agreed to provide KofC Fellowships for graduate study leading to Masters and Doctors Degrees. The first awards were made in 1914-15. The recipients are asked to consider college teaching or government service as their educational objective. In 1966 the Fellowships were opened to women, and the first awarded to a woman was that year. The fellowships cover tuition and an allowance for living expenses and may be renewed annually for up to three years. Preference is given to members of the Knights of Columbus and to the wives, sons, daughters or sisters of members. The member must be in good standing in the Order, or if deceased, must have been in good standing at the time of his death. The Graduate School of The Catholic University of America administers the fellowships for applicants who have been accepted for graduate work there. Applications can be obtained from: Office of the Vice Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. 20064.

Bishop Charles P. Greco Graduate Fellowships – The Bishop Charles P. Greco Graduate Fellowships were established at the 91st Supreme Convention held in Seattle, Wash., in 1973. These fellowships, named in honor of late Supreme Chaplain Bishop Greco, are for full-time graduate study leading to a Masters Degree in a program designed for the preparation of classroom teachers for people with intellectual disabilities. The maximum amount of the grant is \$2,000 payable to the university in amounts not to exceed \$500 per semester, renewable each semester of the program to a maximum of four semesters upon evidence of satisfactory academic performance. Applicants must be Knights of Columbus in good standing or the wives, sons or daughters of such members or deceased members. Special consideration is given for applicants who select a Catholic graduate school. Applications must be submitted by May 1 and can be obtained at: Committee on Fellowships, Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 1670, New Haven, Conn. 06507-0901.

COUNCIL FEEDS 120 MIGRANT WORKERS IN LOUISBURG

Eight Knights, five wives and seven family members from Council 9709 served a meal to some 120 migrant workers and parishioners after the 1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary Roman Catholic Church in Louisburg. This is the second year in a row that the Council has volunteered to help the St. Francis of Assisi Migrant Ministry by sponsoring a meal at the church.

The Migrant Ministry works from June through September every Sunday driving migrant workers to Mass and sponsoring one meal after Mass during those months. According to Brother Tom Carlson, who co-chairs the Migrant Ministry, about five or six cars caravan to seven camps every Sunday during the summer to pick up those who need a ride to Mass and



Migrant Ministry, about five or six cars caravan to seven camps every Sunday during the summer (L-R) Daughter Katherine Nilsson serves next to mother Robin and father Mark at the Sept. 20 Migrant Ministry dinner sponsored by the Council. Terri Donaghy and Joann Kelleher are serving at the end of the line.

then deliver them back to the camps. The Ministry has transported as many as 38 to as few as six. The Ministry sponsored the first three meals this year.

Sister Betty Bullen, who has worked at Our Lady of the Rosary Church for some 10 years, calls the service provided by the Migrant Ministry "invaluable." The migrant workers are under contract as H2A workers, and they are not allowed to drive. Typically, there is an individual assigned to transport the migrant workers to work and for shopping, but there is no requirement for the drivers to transport the workers to church.

Most of the migrant workers come in June and are gone by October. They harvest sweet potatoes, cucumbers, soy beans and tobacco in season and either return to Mexico or move on to harvest Christmas trees in western North Carolina, according to Brother Carlson.

Some 30 Brother Knights and nine parishioners volunteered either their time or talent in preparing food for this year's Council-sponsored meal, an increase in participation from last year when only 22 Brother Knights and 11 parishioners pitched in. Brothers Larry Mathiot and Kent Siefkes cooked burgers and Bill Nowak the hot dogs.

Thanks go to Brothers Dick Bridges, Tom Carlson, Mike and Carol, Patrick, Mary Ashley and Delaney Darrow; Don and Terri Donaghy, Dennis and Joann Kelleher, Mark and Robin, Hailey, Jillian, Katherine and Connor Nilsson; Bill and Barbara Nowak, and Kent Siefkes for helping to transport, set up, serve and clean up on site.

LAMB DOLLARS DOWN, PARTICIPATION UP

The Oct. 2-4 LAMB drive netted some \$11,331.54, bringing the total collected so far this calendar year to \$17,956.08, well short of last year's collection of \$24,358.03 and the Council's State-assigned goal for this year of \$27,011.

"While I'm a little disappointed with the total for the year, I am encouraged by the increase in participation by the membership this year," said Brother Dave Vogelpohl, who coordinated the fall drive. "I especially appreciate the volunteers from The Arc of Wake County who agreed to help out."

Four staff members from The Arc of Wake County pulled a total of five shifts. The Council thanks John Lamp, Pamela Pickett, Blake Scott and Steve Strom for volunteering.

Some 62 Knights and nine wives worked at least one LAMB shift over the weekend of Oct. 2-4. Some 115 of 132 slots were filled for the drive.

Brother Vogelpohl promised a LAMB hat or shirt for any Knight who worked three shifts or more. Qualifying for a shirt or hat are Hadon Ware (eight shifts), Tom DuPree (seven shifts), Ralph Guenther (four shifts), Dick Bridges, Don Donaghy, Tony Evans, Dave Himberger, John Moster, Ed Schofield, Kent Siefkes and Dave Vogelpohl. Walt Flanagan, an Eagle Scout, worked four shifts.

Operation LAMB is derived from Matthew 25:40: "Whatsoever you do to the [L]east [A]mong [M]y [B]rethren, that you do unto me."

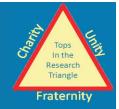
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COUNCIL'S NEW WEBSITE UP AND RUNNING



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Council 9709 has a new website at www.kofc9709.org/index.htm, you will get a "page cannot be found" error. Just delete the /index.htm portion of the old address or create a new shortcut.

"The colors are not just different, but a little softer to be a little easier on the eyes," said Brother Joe Azzopardi, who serves as the Council's web master and redesigned the site. "There are some pictures as well as some Americana graphics, and a visually impaired or blind person can still surf our website with the proper software installed on his computer."

There are two e-mails advertised on the website: the Grand Knight's at gk@kofc9709.org at the top of the page and the web master's at webmaster@kofc9709.org at the bottom of the page. Brother Azzopardi invites all Brothers to contact him concerning errors, problems, suggestions or other web-related issues at that address.

The Officers Page now has the jewels for the officers next to each officer's picture, and there is a link to a complete explanation of the jewels' design on that page.

The Activities Page is a 12-month calendar of activities planned for the Council. Deputy Grand Knight Dick Bridges will keep the calendar up-to-date. Anyone wishing to schedule an activity should e-mail him directly at rbridges 1971@aol.com.

The Events and Schedules page is for signing up for the different activities such as Operation LAMB, the RBC Center and the Durham Bulls games.

Under "Links & Newsletters" Brother Azzopardi added a link to Catholic News Service EWTN.

There are pictures from various Council activities on all pages that will rotate randomly and will be updated periodically throughout the fraternal year.

Brother Azzopardi received "Knight of the Month" honors for August for his efforts on the new website, which is easier to navigate and more lively in appearance.

Check it out!

SOCIAL GATHERINGS HIT THE SPOT

Council 9709's three Social Gatherings so far this fraternal year have attracted groups from 24-59 people. Most popular so far this year was the July gathering at O'Charley's in Brier Creek when some 59 Brother Knights, wives and children came to have dinner and to socialize.

"It's a chance to relax and enjoy the Order's principle of fraternity," said Brother Dave Bole, Chairman of the Family Committee and organizer of the events. "And, if you ask the wives, they'll tell you that it's a chance to have someone else in the kitchen for an evening."

The Council's Socials are held on the third Tuesday of every month except for June when the Council picnic is held and December when the Council has its traditional Christmas party. Brothers gather at 6:30 p.m., and typically everyone is on their way home by 8:30-9 p.m. Restaurants and locations vary. Prices generally are in the \$10-15 range, and most of the restaurants provide free nonalcoholic beverages or some other extra that makes the price worthwhile. So



Grand Knight Tom DuPree (C) welcomes recent transfer Brother Tru Hall and wife Beth (L) to the September Social Gathering at Ben's Place on Glenwood Avenue.

far this fraternal year, the Council has patronized O'Charley's, Manchester's Grill on T.W. Alexander and Ben's Place on Glenwood Avenue.

The next Social Gathering is slated for Oct. 20 at the O'Charley's, 8115 Brier Creek Parkway.

COUNCIL 9709 WORKING DISTRICT FAMILY OUTING

Council 9709 is working with 9th District Deputy Hadon Ware in setting up a District-wide family outing sometime before April 1, 2010, at a "centrally located facility" in the District. Given the timeframe, the RBC Center seemed a logical choice as a venue. The outing is "a statewide, required program," according to Brother Tony Coppola, the State Family Director, who presented the plan at the State Organizational Meeting in August.

So far Council 9709's Deputy Grand Knight Dick Bridges has looked into two possibilities for the event: a Hurricanes game at the RBC Center or an NCSU basketball game at Reynolds Coliseum or the RBC Center.

"When I briefed the Grand Knights at the September District Deputy's meeting, I got mixed responses concerning a Hurricanes game," said Brother Bridges. "A Canes game would cost \$34 a ticket even given a pretty decent discount for a group guaranteed to be over 100 people. That would be too much for some people, and if we did not get 100 people to attend, there would be no discount."

An NCSU basketball game will only cost \$10-15 a ticket for a group outing of 25 or more. The \$10 price is for non-ACC Conference games; the \$15 price is for the ACC Conference games. Currently, there are five games open for blocks of group tickets: Saturday, Dec. 12, vs. Georgia Southern (Reynolds Coliseum), 2 p.m. (\$10); Saturday, Jan. 9, vs. Virginia, either noon or 1:30 p.m. (\$15); Saturday, Jan. 16, vs. Clemson, either noon or 1:30 p.m. (\$15); Saturday, Jan. 30, vs. North Carolina Central, 2 p.m. (\$10) and Sunday, March 7, vs. Boston College, 2 p.m. (\$15). Tickets would be on the third level for all games, although there is a possibility for the District group to occupy student seating on the first level for the Virginia game when the students are not in residence. The seating on the third level would be center court; on the first level it would be offset from behind one of the two goals.

There is also another organizational plus for an NCSU game. Knights in Councils 3390 (Durham), 9709 (Raleigh), 10910 (Chapel Hill) and 13812 (Durham) would be provided a special program code and would order their tickets themselves online. For a Hurricanes game, the Councils would have to collect the ticket money.

Brother Knights interested in a particular game or in helping out with organizing the outing can contact Brother Bridges at 806-3816 or via e-mail at rbridges1971@aol.com.



LOOKING FOR A SAFE HARBOR?

The new Form 100 offers a "New Member Annuity" on the reverse side of the form. For as little as \$100, a new member and his wife can open an annuity that can serve to supplement their retirement income. A Registered

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- Guaranteed Safety. KofC Insurance guarantees your principal and a minimum rate of interest. Interest rates in excess of the guaranteed rate are set each quarter by KofC Insurance. The current rate for the third quarter of 2009 is 3 percent, 3.25 percent for deposits in excess of \$10,000.
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COUNCIL SALUTES SEPTEMBER'S KNIGHT AND FAMILY OF THE MONTH



Brothers Kent Siefkes and Tom Carlson were selected by the Council officers as co-Knights of the month for September for their organization and execution of the Migrant Ministry picnic at Our Lady of the Rosary Roman Catholic Church in Louisburg Sept. 20. Brother Mark Nilsson, wife Robin, daughters Hailey, Jillian and Katherine and son Connor were selected as Family of the Month for September for their work at the picnic.



Brother Siefkes is Chancellor and Chairman of the Community Committee and heads the Lectors Ministry for the Church. Brother Carlson is co-Chairman of the Migrant Ministry and one of the most successful salesmen of State Vacation Raffle tickets in the Council.

The Nilsson family came to the Migrant Ministry picnic as a family on their way to celebrating a birthday. They helped set up, serve and clean up before departing. Hailey and Jillian were extremely helpful directing the migrant workers to the drinks and condiments tables -in Spanish!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY SET FOR CRABTEE MARRIOTT

Family Committee Chairman Dave Bole announced at the Oct. 6 business meeting that the officers had approved holding the annual Council Christmas party at the Crabtree Marriott, Sunday, Dec. 13. Brother Bole briefed the membership on his Committee's research into venues and cost considerations prior to making his recommendation to the officers, and attendees seemed to agree that the Crabtree Marriott provided the most desirable and economical option.

In past years guests have brought toys for the Duke Children's Hospital Ministry or Toys for Tots. Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Committee, it is unknown at this point what charity will be supported. The Council will likely support one of them, however, and details will be forthcoming in the November newsletter.

The flyer for making reservations for the party is included with this newsletter.

EIGHT KNIGHTS PARK 225 CARS AT PARISH PICNIC

Eight Knights and three of their children helped parishioners safely park their cars at the Church picnic Sunday, Sept. 13, at Camp Kanata. The Council has traditionally performed this task at the request of the Church to help parishioners get to the 11:30 a.m. Mass at the site on time.

"Overall, nothing moving hit anything moving, nothing moving hit anything stationary and I did not hear any negativity," said Brother Shawn Bayle, who coordinated the activity for the Council. "The team did a great job!"

Brother Bayle estimates that the team directed parking for about 225 cars and families. Thanks go to Brothers Akuro Adoki, Mark Baumgartner, Shawn Bayle, Tommy Dalton, Tom DuPree, John Izzo, Larry Mathiot and Rob Scott, who is transferring into the Council. Two children from the Izzo family and one from the Scott family also helped out.

There was one small glitch, but nothing the team could not handle. The team did have to help one parishioner get his van out of a ditch.

TRASH PICK UP NETS 14 BAGS

Great weather greeted eight Knights on Saturday, Sept. 12, for the quarterly Adopt-A-Highway trash pick up. The group made quick work of patrolling Leesville Road from the Durham County line to the Citgo station near I-540, picking up eight bags of trash and six bags of recyclables.

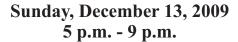
"About half of us were done in an hour and the rest in about an hour and a half," said Brother John Moster, who coordinates the activity. "I'm sure the weather had something to do with that."

Brothers Akuro Adoki, Shawn Bayle, Don Donaghy, Mike Evans, Tony Halterman, John Moster, Walt Winiewicz and Mike Wrzesien participated.

Council 9709 has participated in the North Carolina Adopt-A-Highway program since Nov. 28, 2000. At the 10th anniversary of the Council's participation, a star with the number "10" will be added to the signs on Leesville announcing the Council's ten-year adoption of that section of Leesville Road.

Knights of Columbus All Saints Council #9709 2009 Christmas Dinner Marriott Raleigh Crabtree Valley









View of the "Valley" area of the Marriott's Crabtee Grill dining room.

DINNER MENU

Crabtree Salad - Mixed Greens, Tomato, Cucumbers, Carrots and Red Cabbage with choice of Balsamic or Ranch Dressing

Pork Loin - Herb-roasted and finished with a Whole-Grain Mustard Sauce

- or -

Chicken Forestiere - Grilled Boneless Breast of Chicken with a Basil-Mushroom Sauce

with **Seasonal Accompaniments**, Fresh Rolls and Butter and Coffee and Tea Service

New York Style Cheesecake

Come join your Brother Knights, spouses and families at the Marriott Raleigh Crabtree Valley for an early Christmas celebration. Enjoy the atmosphere of one of Raleigh's exclusive hotel and convention centers, the traditional music of Bob Gottlieb and Council 9709's customary hospitality. Reservations and advance payment required. Adult meals are \$25. Meals for children 6-12 years of age are \$12.50, and a "Kid Burger" or chicken fingers with French fries can be substituted for the pork loin or chicken. A cash bar will be available from 5-6 p.m. and throughout the evening. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

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Checks for the dinner should be made out to "KofC Council 9709" and sent directly to: Brother David Bole, 106 Stoney Drive, Durham, NC 27703.

Deadline for reservations is Nov. 27, 2009.

Name:	@ \$25.00	PorkChicken	\$25.00
Spouse Name:	@ \$25.00	PorkChicken	\$25.00
Children 6-12:	@ \$12.50 ea	PorkChicken BurgerFingers	\$
Children under 5:	@ Free	BurgerFingers	Free
Special Dietary Requirements?		Total Payment Enclosed:	\$