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COUNCIL PULLS OFF ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BARBECUE

The rain held off, and the sun actually shined. For the third year in a row, All Saints Council 9709 managed to pull off a successful springtime barbecue with decent weather, this time connected to GIFTFEST, the Church's blessing of the new buildings constructed through the Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) program.

More than 2,000 parishioners attended the barbecue and enjoyed the good weather, the food and the festivities.

“What impressed me the most was the consistency of the event. People came and stayed. We had not seen that in past years,” said Barbecue Chairman Shawn Bayle.

At least 68 Knights, 31 spouses, children and friends of the Knights signed up to volunteer at the barbecue, some 15 or more working the entire Sunday. The Council ordered some 1,050 plates from Bill Ellis Barbecue in Wilson, 225 rib plates from the Q Shack in North Hills in Raleigh and cooked up some 700 hot dogs for the event. When it was all over, all the barbecue pork and rib

plates were sold. Brother Ralph Guenther took about 50 hot dogs, 50 pieces of chicken, 40 pounds of potatoes, 14 pounds of string beans, 23 pounds of cole slaw and six pounds of hush puppies to the RDU Airport USO. Some 1,351 meals had been sold prior to the barbecue, including about 20 percent sold online. Brother Bayle described the correlation of the meals ordered to meals served “a phenomenal achievement.”

The Council took in some \$16,500 in gross revenue, of which \$11,500 came from meal ticket sales and the remainder through activity ticket sales. The Council expects to realize some \$4,500 in net profit, most of which will be dedicated to the Council's Catholic Education Fund, which last year donated some \$5,500 in scholarships and grants to Cardinal Gibbons High School students, The Franciscan School and the Early Childhood Learning Center.

More photos available at <http://richardfcox.smugmug.com>.



More than 2,000 parishioners attended this year's annual Knights of Columbus Barbecue held at the Church Sunday, April 25 in conjunction with the Church's GIFTFEST.

TWELVE LADIES ENTER FIRST ANNUAL BBQ CUPCAKE CONTEST

Twelve ladies baked their favorite cupcake recipes for the first annual Knights of Columbus Barbecue Cupcake Contest. Congratulations to the winners! Karen Boodee, wife of Brother Mark Boodee, won first place honors for her “Coconut Specials.” Yvonne Hulicki took second place with “Yellow Cupcakes with Buttercream,” and Jennifer Masterson placed third with her “Hamburger Cupcakes.”

Karen Boodee won \$50 in Leesville Taproom gift certificates, Yvonne Hulicki won \$20 in Harris Teeter gift certificates and Jennifer Masterson won a \$10 Harris Teeter gift certificate. Well-known St. Francis caterer Michelle Cash and parishioner Mike Watson served as judges for the contest. Fr. Emmett Murphy was also to have been a member of the judges panel but was called away at the last minute.

Organizers MaryBeth Bayle, wife of Brother Shawn Bayle, and Rachael Kirke thanked the 12 contestants via e-mail and encouraged all to enter the contest again next year.

FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:

Greetings Brothers,

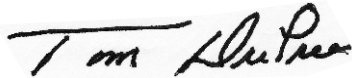
I want to personally thank all who came to Brother Ron Hassan's Resurrection Mass on Saturday, May 1. Brother Ron was a very active Knight. He will be sorely missed but not forgotten. Please keep Charlotte and the entire Hassan family in your prayers. The family has requested all donations in his memory be made to the LAMB Foundation.

Thanks to all who volunteered at the Council's annual barbecue. The event was a huge success. The weather was great and the team led by Chairman SK Shawn Bayle was outstanding. I have decided for the Knight of the Month for May that all major contributors will be honored as co-Knights of the Month. The number of Brothers who volunteered was outstanding!

Elaine and I had the privilege of accompanying our Priests to the Diocesan dinner, hosted by Bishop Michael Burbidge, on Tuesday, May 4. What a wonderful event! We were able to honor the men who serve our spiritual needs. While the "Year of the Priest" is in fact drawing to a close, I encourage all of us to continue to honor and support our Priests in all they do for us on a daily basis.

I also want to remind each Brother of his personal pledge (\$20 per year) to the Room at the Inn program (see Council website for details). Our goal for the Council is 100 percent participation by all Brothers.

Vivat Jesus,


CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(More details available at www.kofc9709.org)

MAY 2010

- 15-16 – NC State KofC Convention, Charlotte
- 18 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., Trali's, Brier Creek
- 19 – Abbottswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd
- 25 – Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conf Rm
- 31 – Memorial Day Mass for Deceased Veterans, 9 a.m., St. Mary of the Angels Chapel

JUNE 2010

- 1 – 1st Degree/Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall
- 4-5 – NC Special Olympics, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Triangle Aquatics Center, 275 Convention Drive, Cary
- 4-6 – Operation LAMB, See Website for Sign Ups
- 12 – Council Picnic, 11 a.m., Falls Lake Recreation Area
- 16 – Abbottswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd
- 19 – Adopt-A-Highway Trash Pick Up, 9 a.m., Parking Lot
- 26 – 3rd Degree Ceremony, 11 a.m., Council 3947, Fayetteville
- 26 – Officers Installation Ceremony, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary of the Angels Chapel
- 29 – Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conf Rm

JULY 2010

- 6 – 1st Degree/Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall
- 20 – Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., TBD
- 21 – Abbottswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd
- 27 – Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conf Room

FOR THE FIRST DEGREE KNIGHT . . . DUES

The Council's annual dues notices will be sent out via e-mail in June. If necessary, follow-up notices will be sent out to members by mail if there is no response to the e-mail request. Please bring your dues checks to the July business meeting and save both the Council and yourself the cost of postage.

Brother Knights of Council 9709 pay annual dues of \$28, an amount that has not increased in years. Of that money some \$11.50 is dedicated to fixed costs mandated by the Supreme and State Councils. The Supreme Council assesses every Council \$1.75 per member twice annually in July and January to meet operating expenses of the Supreme Council. The State Council sends a bill for \$3 per member in September and February to cover operating expenses of the State Council. In addition, each Council is assessed \$.50 per member twice annually in October and April by the Supreme Council for the Catholic Advertising Fund, which is used to pay for ads in general interest publications in the United States and Canada that help to bring many non-Catholics to the Church. Lastly, the Council is assessed by the Supreme Council once per year \$1 per member for liability insurance.

The Council has 15 Honorary Life Members, who are not assessed dues. Honorary Life Members have been members of the Knights of Columbus for 50 consecutive years or who have been members for 25 consecutive years and are 70 years old. Priests are automatically treated as Honorary Life Members. The Council has four inactive members, who are non-dues paying members who no longer participate in the Council but still have Knights of Columbus insurance policies.

Council 9709's 191 full dues paying members provide a revenue stream of \$5,348 to the Council, of which some \$2,096.50 is already allocated to fixed costs mandated by the Supreme and State Councils. That leaves \$3,251.50 for discretionary use by the Council.

And, don't forget to add \$3.65 to your check for the Penny Per Day Per Knight Program! While the contribution is voluntary, the needs for the contributions have never been greater.

COUNCIL TAKES ST. FRANCIS PRIESTS TO DINNER


As part of Knights of Columbus "Year of the Priest" celebration, Council 9709 sponsored Frs. Julian Jagudilla, David McBriar, Bill McConville, Emmett Murphy and Mark Reamer at a dinner for Diocesan Priests in the Raleigh Diocese.

Bishop Michael Burbidge had asked the North Carolina State Knights of Columbus Council to host the dinner for the Diocese, and the State Council asked individual Councils to cover the \$40 cost per individual for their Priest(s) at the event. The dinner was held at the North Raleigh Hilton, Tuesday, May 4.

Individual Knights were also invited to attend. Grand Knight Tom and wife Elaine DuPree, Brother Tommy Dalton and Brother Ralph Guenther attended the event with the Priests.

The Council only covered the cost for the Priests' meals.

MEMORIAL DAY VETERANS MASS SIGN UP ON WEBSITE



The Council sign up list for helping parishioners record the names of their deceased Veteran relatives is on the Council website under "Events and Schedules." Four Knights, two in the Breezeway and two in the Stewardship Room, are needed to cover all Masses on the weekends of May 15-16 and 22-23.

This year's Memorial Day Mass will be held Monday, May 31, at 9 a.m., in the new St. Mary of the Angels Chapel. Council 9709 has sponsored the Mass since its inception some five years ago. Originally held on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, the Mass was changed to Memorial Day in 2008 at the request of Fr. Mark because Memorial Day was deemed more appropriate for honoring deceased Veterans.

Some 186 deceased Veterans had been entered onto the Memorial Day Mass Roll for last year's Mass. Four new deceased veterans' names were added at the April 25 barbecue. Knights working the tables in May will assist parishioners in recording their veterans' names, ranks, dates of death, branch of military service and country for whom the veterans served on a roster. The names will then be transferred onto the Roll.

Brother Jeff Rohman has organized and run the Mass since 2005. Questions concerning the Mass or the sign ups can be directed to him at jeffreyrohman@att.net or via telephone at 919-787-7042.

TRUSTEES ANNOUNCE NEW OFFICER SLATE

Trustees Mike Darrow, Ralph Guenther and Dave Vogelpohl announced their recommendations for new officers to serve in fraternal year 2010-2011 at the May 4 business meeting. Nominations will also be solicited from the floor at the June 1 business meeting before calling a final vote.

Proposed for Grand Knight is Brother Dick Bridges, Brother Kent Siefkes for Deputy Grand Knight, Brother Shawn Bayle for Chancellor, Brother Jeff Szymendera for Recorder, Brother Jerry Powell for Treasurer, Brother Tru Hall for Advocate, Brother Tommy Dalton for Warden, Brother Tim Dyer for Inside Guard and Brother Ed Schofield for Outside Guard. Brother Tom DuPree was nominated for Trustee first year. Brother Ralph Guenther will continue as Trustee second year and Brother Mike Darrow as Trustee third year. The Trustees further recommended that Fr. David McBriar and Brother Dennis Kelleher continue their appointments as Council Chaplain and Financial Secretary respectively.

New officers will be formally recognized at the annual Installation Ceremony to be held Saturday, June 26, in the new St. Mary of the Angels Chapel.

Deputy Grand Knight Dick Bridges announced that Brother Mark Nilsson had agreed to serve as Church Committee Chairman for the next fraternal year. Brother Kent Siefkes will serve as the Community Chairman until a successor can be appointed. Brother Tim Stevens will continue as Council Chairman, Brother Dave Bole as Family Chairman and Brother Mike Wrzesien as Youth Chairman. Brother Knights interested in serving as Community Chairman or as Co-Chairmen on any of these committees should contact the Chairmen, Trustees or Brothers Bridges or Siefkes directly.

DUPREES NAMED FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR MAY



Brother Tom and Elaine DuPree

Grand Knight Tom and wife Elaine have been chosen as May's Family of the Month by the Council officers for their incredible contributions to the Church, the Community and the Council.

Brother Tom serves frequently as a Cross bearer at Mass, and he and Elaine regularly serve as Eucharistic ministers. Brother Tom also works the Parking Ministry for the Church. Brother Tom and Elaine are the heart and soul of the semi-annual Red Cross blood drives, signing up donors and volunteers as well as organizing and executing the event.

Brother Tom has served the Council as Treasurer, Deputy Grand Knight and for the last two years as Grand Knight. This year he has also served as de facto Membership Chairman, recruiting over twice the Council's quota for fraternal year 2009-2010. He is also active in Bishop McGuinness Assembly 778 where he served as the Faithful Navigator. He is also coordinating the support of

four assemblies in support of the National Wheelchair Games for the Durham Veterans Administration Hospital. Brother Tom and Elaine have always been there for their fellow Knights, at Operation LAMB, the RBC Center, the barbecue or anywhere else they could be of service.

Elaine is a full-time 4th grade teacher in Angier, N.C. Of late she single-handedly put together a Council scrapbook for the State Deputy's Award at the May annual convention in Charlotte. She also served as coordinator for the wives to provide desserts for the barbecue, an effort that resulted in more than double the number of desserts available over last year.

BARBECUE HEROES WIN KNIGHTS OF THE MONTH HONORS

To all the Brothers, wives, children and friends who worked in the kitchen and served some 2,000 meals. To the wives who worked at the barbecue and the ones who baked enough sweets to feed everyone with a dessert ticket, unlike last year when the Council came up short on desserts.

To Brothers Tru Hall and David Torres for pitching in everywhere both Saturday and Sunday. To Brother Steve Becker who set up the online sale of barbecue tickets that represented about 20 percent of all tickets sold. To Brother Dominic Paredi for serving as DJ and Master of Ceremonies at the stage.

To Brother Frank Sola for selling 104 State Vacation Raffle tickets. To Brothers Dick Bridges, Ralph Guenther and Joe LaTorre for collecting some \$335.39 in donations for Operation LAMB. To Brother Rich Cox for donating his \$101 in winnings from the 50/50 Raffle to Operation LAMB. To Brother Mike Cichoracki for honchoing the 50/50 Raffle drawing. To Brother Tony Evans for manning the Council's Information Booth and signing up five potential new Brother Knights and four new deceased veterans on the Council's Memorial Day Mass Roll. To Brother Ken Bridges who ran the Pepsi truck operation as well as assisted Brother Dave Bole with the secondary food operation. To Brother Mark Baumgartner and wife Theresa who led the very successful preschool games activity.

To Brothers Dave Bole (secondary food operations), Dick Bridges (Knights tent), Tommy Dalton (logistics), John Izzo (kitchen), Tim Stevens (set up and clean up), and Mike Wrzesien (youth sports) for chairing the Subcommittees that made the barbecue a success.

And last, but not least, to Brother Shawn Bayle for taking on this major Council project for the third year in a row.



Brother Jeff Henry (R) demonstrates to Brother Ken Bridges (L) the fine art of making cotton candy, the sweetest (and stickiest) job at the Council's annual barbecue.

COUNCIL ADDS THREE MORE TO ITS ROLLS IN MAY

All Saints Council 9709 is on a record setting pace this fraternal year as regards recruiting new members. With the addition of three more Brother Knights at the May 4 meeting, the Council has brought 29 new Knights into the Order so far this year. There are also a number of Form 100s that have been voted and approved for other candidates to join at a future 1st Degree Ceremony.

Welcome to new Brothers Troy Chaput, Fr. Julian Jagudilla and Mark Walvoord, who are the latest Knights to join the Council.

Council 9709's original recruiting goal was 13 for the fraternal year as set by the State Council. If All Saints Council can recruit five new insurance members, something that Field Agent Tim Kilpatrick assures the Council leadership is in the works, it will find itself among the Double-Star Council elite by having met its original recruiting goal two times over.

Next fraternal year will likely be somewhat problematic. The Council still has to deal with six withdrawals, three uncompleted transfers and one suspension stemming from the current fraternal year. That will up an already difficult goal by at least 10. A Council must meet the requirements for the requirements for the Colombian Award for programs, the Father McGivney Award for membership and the Founders Award for insurance members for Star Council status.



(L-R) New Brothers Mark Walvoord, Fr. Julian Jagudilla and Troy Chaput pose in front of the Council banner after the May 4 1st Degree Ceremony.



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Medical Withdrawal Option

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Owners of Knights of Columbus annuities are now the recipients of a fraternal benefit called the Medical Withdrawal Option (MWO). The MWO (provided at no cost by the way) allows the annuitant to withdraw all or part of the Accumulation Value of the annuity with no surrender charge, provided that: (1) the annuitant has a medical condition that is expected to result in death within twelve months, or (2) the annuitant undergoes a major organ transplant, suffers major burns, or is diagnosed as having life-threatening cancer, heart attack, unstable angina, stroke, end-stage kidney disease, paralysis or coma, or (3) the annuitant is confined in a licensed skilled nursing facility for at least sixty (60) consecutive days.

The MWO is available once the accumulation value of the annuity is \$5,000 or more, and became available Feb. 1, 2006, for both existing and newly issued annuities. To be eligible, the annuitant must have a qualifying medical condition that commenced after Feb. 1, 2006, or the date you started your annuity, whichever is later.

Please note that any waiver of Knights of Columbus surrender charges will have no affect on any tax reporting, tax withholding or tax penalty that may be imposed by the U.S. or Canadian governments. There are a number of additional restrictions and conditions that apply to the MWO. Your Field Agent will be happy to visit with you and your wife to fully explain this and the Order's entire portfolio of fraternal benefits. Virtually all Knights of Columbus annuities are covered under the MWO, and as a reminder, surrender charges are also waived in the event of the death of the annuitant.

The Knights of Columbus Flexible Premium Annuity Plan provides our members and their families with a safe and secure place to accumulate funds on a tax-favored basis. Your Order strives to offer the most competitive interest rates possible while absolutely guaranteeing the safety of deposited funds.

Don't have a Knights of Columbus Annuity Plan? You can start an annuity with a deposit of as little as \$300 with a guaranteed rate of return as of May 1, 2010, of three percent. Have you checked out bank CD rates lately? Why not start building your nest egg by meeting with your Field Agent soon?

Field Agent Tim Kilpatrick is there for you. Call him at 847-3799 (H), 880-3463 (C) or send him an e-mail at Tim1002@earthlink.net or Timothy.Kilpatrick@kofc.org.

APRIL LAMB TOTAL \$9,373.91

April was an especially good month for the Council's 2010 Operation LAMB drive with some \$9,373.91 collected for the "[L]east [A]mong [M]y [B]rethren."

LAMB Co-Chairman Brother Tim Stevens reported at the May 4 business meeting that he had picked up a \$1,000 donation at the Morrisville Sam's Club from the Walmart Foundation. LAMB Chairman Brother Vogelpohl had applied for the grant in January. This is the largest corporate donation the Council has ever received.

Brother Ralph Guenther spearheaded a mini-drive for Operation LAMB at the Council's April 25 barbecue and added some \$335.39 to the total collection for the Council's 2010 Operation LAMB effort. That figure includes a donation from Brother Rich Cox of \$101, which represents his winnings from the Barbecue 50/50 drawing as well as a check from a parishioner for \$50.

Council 9709's regular spring Operation LAMB drive, conducted over the weekend of April 9-11, brought in some \$8,038.52, which when added to the \$205 carried forward from 2009 bring the total collected so far this year to \$9,373.91. Last year's spring drive only collected \$6,624.54.

The spring LAMB drive will continue over the weekend of June 4-6 at the Brier Creek Walmart, which has been the Council's top revenue producer in years past. The fall drive will be in October, and the Council plans a Thanksgiving drive to finish the year.

This year's Council goal set by State is \$26,656, three percent more than the \$25,897.27 collected during 2009. Operation LAMB is conducted on a calendar year basis.

Council 9709 has traditionally pooled some 85 percent of its LAMB money with four other area Councils for local charity groups supporting the intellectually disabled. State retains some 15 percent of funds collected for distribution to charitable groups in areas of the State where there are no local KofC Councils. Last year, the Raleigh area Councils donated funds to The Arc of Wake County, the Autism Society of Wake County, Community Partnerships Inc., the Frankie Lemmon School, Hilltop Homes, Learning Together, the Tammy Lynn Center and Wake Enterprises.

50+ BROTHERS ATTEND FUNERAL MASS FOR BROTHER RON HASSAN

Some 50 Brother Knights as well as a number of their wives attended a Resurrection Mass for Brother Ron Hassan at the Church, Saturday, May 1, at 2 p.m. Some 12 Sir Knight Brothers wore regalia for an Honor Guard, and another 10 Sir Knights joined the Honor Guard wearing their tuxedos with baldrics.

Brother Hassan departed this life peacefully on Tuesday, April 27, at home, according to the obituary in the News and Observer of April 29. He is survived by wife Charlotte and their four children: Ronald Jr., Keith, Bridget and Holly Rosnick.

Council wives, led by Elaine DuPree, organized a reception after the Mass.

The obituary also noted that Brother Hassan had asked that in lieu of flowers donations be sent to the LAMB Foundation, Knights of Columbus, All Saints Council 9709, 11401 Leesville Road, Raleigh, N.C. 27613. Brother Knights can either mail donations to the Church or give them directly to LAMB Chairman Brother Dave Vogelpohl any time during the month of May. Please put "IHO Brother Ron Hassan" in the memo section of your check.

STATE VACATION RAFFLE TICKET SALES HIT 688

Thanks to good weather and generous parishioners, All Saints Council 9709 managed to beat last year's record sales of State Vacation Raffle Tickets. The Council sold some 584 tickets prior to the barbecue and some 104 tickets at the barbecue.

The Council gets to keep \$2.50 for every \$5 ticket sold, which means that the All Saints Council added some \$1,720 to its coffers by virtue of its effort. Last year, the Council sold a total of 675 tickets, which was the fifth highest amount sold by any Council in the State of North Carolina.

Some 62 Knights took tickets to sell, one more than last year. Top sellers before the barbecue were Brother Dave and wife Ann Vogelpohl, who together sold 48 tickets. Brother Dick Bridges sold 45. Brothers selling more than 10 tickets included Shawn Bayle (20), John Cuomo (20), Mike Murray (20), Sean Stacey (16), Tom DuPree (15), Mike Evans (15) and Tom Carlson (14). Some 26 Brothers sold ten each.