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COUNCIL WINS "BIG" AT THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

North Carolina Knights of Columbus Council State Deputy Dave Jones presented All Saints Council 9709 with the fraternal year 2009-2010 State Deputy's Award for the Division IV category at the annual State Convention held in Charlotte May 14-16.

The State Deputy's Award is presented to Councils by divisions for overall excellent performance and is the highest honor a Council can achieve in North Carolina. While there can be multiple awardees in each of the four divisions, Council 9709 was the only Council recognized in the Division 4 category for Councils with membership of over 160. This is the first time the Council has ever won the State Deputy's Award.

"This award truly belongs to every Brother in our Council," said Grand Knight Tom DuPree. "Without everyone working together, there is no way we could have achieved this great honor."

Council 9709 also won Division 4 honors for its Operation LAMB efforts per capita for calendar year 2009. While the average collection per Knight per Council n North Carolina has dropped over the past three years to about \$50 per Knight, the All Saints Council's per capita collection was \$127.48 per Knight for 2009, the highest of any Council in Division 4. The All Saints Council also won the Division 4 Council Recognition Award for Charity in recognition of all the charitable work done by the Council.

The Council's newsletter placed third among 13 entries in the Duane Russell Newsletter Award competition. <u>Tarheel Knight</u> Editor Brother Greg Ciesielski, who headed the judges panel for the award, admitted at the podium that he had to "nitpick" in order to distinguish between the top three entries.

Council 9709 was also recognized for achieving more than 150 percent of its Membership goal for the fraternal year.

As of May the Council had recruited some 29 new members, more than twice as many as its goal of 13, which qualifies it for "double-Star" status for the fraternal year.

And, if all this was not enough, Grand Knight Tom DuPree's daughter, Michele Grauel, won one of the \$200 consolation prizes in the State Vacation Raffle Ticket drawing.



State Deputy David Jones presents Grand Knight Tom DuPree with the State Deputy Award for Division IV Councils.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING DATE CHANGED TO AUGUST 10

August's traditional organizational meeting has been moved from August 3 to August 10 as a result of a scheduling conflict. The meeting will be in Anthony Hall and will feature the usual cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs. All members are encouraged to attend and meet the new Committee Chairmen for fraternal year 2010-2011.

Attendees will be asked to commit to one or more programs for the fraternal year to give the Committee Chairmen a pool to call as commitments arise.

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FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:

Greeting Brothers,

I would like to express my profound thanks to each of you for giving me the honor and privilege to serve as your Grand Knight for the last two years. As I reflect over my tenure, I am proud that our Council was recognized as the best Council in the State for 2009-2010 in the large Council division. It is only through your dedication to the programs and cooperation with the officers and Committee Chairs that this honor was achieved. This is a first in our Council's history.

Brothers, I encourage you and your family to participate in the upcoming LAMB Drive. The agencies that support those individuals with intellectual disabilities depend upon you! Reflecting upon the first principle of our Order—Charity—I cannot think of a program more deserving of your participation.

The Council has elected the new officers for the coming year. Many Brothers consistently support the activities by participating in the programs of your Council. Success depends upon each Brother contributing his fair share of time, talent and treasure. Please recommit yourself in the coming year to the principles of our Order—Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism—by supporting your officers and Committee Chairs by accomplishing goals of our Council.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(More details available at www.kofc9709.org)

JUNE 2010

4-6 – NC Special Olympics

4-6 – Operation LAMB, See Website for Sign Ups

12 - Council Picnic, 11 a.m., Falls Lake Recreation Area

16 - Abottswood 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 Room

JULY 2010

6 – 1st Degree/Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall

20 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., TBD

21 – Abottswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd

27 - Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conf Room

AUGUST 2010

10 – Organizational Meeting/Cookout, 6:30 p.m., Anthony Hall [NOTE DATE CHANGE]

17 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., TBD

18 – Abottswood Seniors Poker, 7:30 p.m., 7900 Creedmoor Rd

31 – Officers Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conf Room

FOR THE FIRST DEGREE KNIGHT . . . ELECTED OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT – The Grand Knight is responsible for the welfare of the Council. He presides over Council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all Committees, appoints a Membership and Programming Director, convenes officers for a monthly meeting and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the State and Supreme Council. The Grand Knight's signature appears on all checks drawn.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT – The Deputy Grand Knight assists the Grand Knight with Council affairs and fulfills all the duties assigned to him by the Grand Knight. Should the Grand Knight be absent from a Council meeting, the Deputy Grand Knight will preside. He is also Chairman of the Council's Retention Committee.

CHANCELLOR – The Chancellor assists the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the Council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in Council activities and is also Chairman of the Admissions Committee.

WARDEN – The Warden is the "watchdog" for Council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the Financial Secretary, Treasurer and Recorder. He is responsible for setting up the Council Chambers for meetings and ceremonial work and appoints and supervises guards during ceremonial exemplifications.

TREASURER – The Treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining of records of all Council funds and accounts. He is responsible for depositing money into the Council's accounts and provides a certificate of such monies to the Grand Knight. He is also responsible for payment of all expenses.

RECORDER – The Recorder is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the Council and its correspondence.

ADVOCATE – The Advocate is the legal representative of the Council and serves as the Council's attorney at trials and investigations of any interest to the Council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the Council By-Laws, Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting and Robert's Rules of Order.

INSIDE AND OUTSIDE GUARDS – The Outside Guard tends to the outer door admitting visitors and members to the inner door. Once at the inner door, the Inside Guard checks to make sure that membership cards are current.

COUNCIL ELECTS NEW OFFICERS FOR FRATERNAL YEAR 2010-11

Council members elected new officers for fraternal year 2010-11 at the regular business meeting June 1. Former Deputy Grand Knight Dick Bridges was elected Grand Knight. Former Chancellor Kent Siefkes was elected Deputy Grand Knight. Former Recorder Shawn Bayle was elected Chancellor. Treasurer Jerry Powell was re-elected Treasurer for another year. Brother Jeff Szymendera was elected Recorder, and Brother Tru Hall was voted in as Advocate. Former Advocate Tommy Dalton was elected Warden. Inside Guard Tim Dyer was re-elected Inside Guard, and Brother John Moster was elected Outside Guard. Former Grand Knight Tom DuPree was elected Trustee first year, Trustee Ralph Guenther Trustee second year and Trustee Mike Darrow Trustee third year.

Council Chaplain Fr. David McBriar and Financial Secretary Dennis Kelleher will continue in their appointed positions.

The 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. A catered reception will follow in the new Senior Center. Knights planning to attend need to RSVP to Social Chairman Dave Bole no later than Monday, June 21.

Grand Knight Elect Dick Bridges announced that Brother Tru Hall had agreed to serve as Membership Chairman next year, Brother Mark Nilsson as Church Committee Chairman, Brother Mark Baumgartner as Community Committee Chairman, Brother Tim Stevens as Council Chairman, Brother Dave Bole as Family Committee Chairman and Brother Mike Wrzesien as Youth Committee Chairman. Brother Knights interested in serving as Co-Chairmen or members of any of these committees should contact the Chairmen, Trustees or Brothers Bridges or Siefkes directly.

COUNCIL TO VOTE \$41,330 BUDGET IN JULY

Council officers and trustees presented a \$41,330 budget for fraternal year 2010-2011 at the June 1 business meeting. The proposed budget is slightly less than last year's record \$43,875 budget, and it continues the trend of deficit spending. Anticipated income for the new fraternal year is only \$30,275, down from the \$39,925 projected last year.

"The 2010-2011 budget continues to draw down a surplus that accumulated over several years," said Trustee Dave Vogelpohl. "While this budget clearly spends more than it takes in, what will be left at the end of the fraternal year is more than adequate."

The officers and trustees estimate that there will be a reserve of some \$6,000 in uncommitted funds that will ensure the Council gets a good start for fraternal year 2011-2012. That does not include \$4,000 already dedicated to the Council's Facility Fund or the \$2,000 to be added to that fund in the new fraternal year.

There is only about \$21,000 of discretionary funding in the budget. Some \$15,000 of the budget represents expenses for the annual barbecue, Christmas party and State Vacation Raffle Ticket Sales, which is offset by anticipated income of \$20,000. Another \$4,275 represents Supreme and State assessments levied on the Council annually.

Charitable expenditures total \$12,450, some 58 percent of the total discretionary budget. Major charitable contributions budgeted of \$500 or more include \$2,000 for the Refund Vocations Support Program (RSVP), \$2,000 to Room at the Inn, \$1,500 to Birthchoice, \$1,000 for a Scholarship to Cardinal Gibbons High School, \$550 to the Boy Scouts, \$500 to the USO, \$500 to the Wounded Warrior Program, \$500 to the Early Childhood Learning Center, \$500 to The Franciscan School and \$500 for Operation LAMB.

Projected income is down because the Council will no longer be working at the Durham Bulls Athletic Park. RBC Center revenue for last year was less than half of what the Council had anticipated, and the projected income for fraternal year 2010-2011 is only \$3,500, in line with the actual income from last year.

COUNCIL'S RBC CENTER EARNINGS PLUMMET

With the receipt of the last RBC Center check for \$210.22 in late May, Council 9709 realized a total of \$4,043.59 for its work during the 2009-2010 season. That amount is less than half the \$9,729.27 the Council earned during the 2008-2009 season.

The Council budgeted conservatively for fraternal year 2008-2009, only planning on receiving \$4,500 for its work at the RBC Center, and more than doubled the amount programmed. For fraternal year 2009-2010, the Council had projected \$7,000 in revenue.

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WARES CHOSEN AS JUNE'S FAMILY OF THE MONTH



Carol and Brother Hadon Ware

Council officers have selected Brother Hadon Ware and wife Carol as June's Family of the Month for their service to the Order, the Church and the Community.

Brother Ware is completing his fourth fraternal year as District Deputy for North Carolina's Knights of Columbus District #9. Prior to that appointment, he served as Grand Knight for the All Saints Council for fraternal years 2004-2005 and 2005-2006. During fraternal year 2005-2006 he also served as the Faithful Navigator of Bishop McGuinness Assembly 778. He has also served the Assembly as Honor Guard Commander since 2002.

Brother Ware and Carol are also very active in the Church. They both serve as Eucharistic Ministers, and Brother Ware doubles as a Eucharistic Minister Coordinator. Carol is an active member of the Lifelong

Faith Formation Ministry, the Living with Christ Retreat Committee, the Stewardship Committee and the Wellness Committee at St. Francis.

Although retired, they both work with their son, Hadon Jr., at the "Tumble Bus," an enterprise begun by their daughter Cyndy and eventually taken over by Hadon Jr. The "Tumble Bus" provides a health and fitness program for some 1,700 daycare and preschool-aged children weekly at some 64 locations in the Raleigh area.

The Wares met in Charlotte and married in 1965. They have three children: Cyndy in New York, Bonnie in Wake Forest and Hadon Jr. in Raleigh as well as six grandchildren. They came to Raleigh in 1998 from Virginia Beach. When Brother Ware converted to Catholicism in 1990 he expressed an interest in the Knights but waited until after retirement to join the Order in 1999.

Carol enjoys scrapbooking and volunteering. Brother Ware's hobby is the Knights of Columbus.

KNIGHT OF THE MONTH PATRICK MCILMOYLE TO BE ORDAINED

Brother Patrick McIlmoyle has been chosen as June's Knight of the Month. The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge, Bishop of Raleigh, will ordain Brother Patrick and 14 other North Carolina men as Permanent Deacons for the Raleigh Diocese at 10 a.m., Saturday, June 26, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pinehurst, N.C.

Brother Patrick joined the Council April 30, 2009, and has become a 3rd Degree Knight since then. He has also been active in Church ministries, including the St. Francis Prison Ministry, Adult Faith Formation, Middle School Faith Formation and Immigration Reform Advocacy. He says that when he came to St. Francis he kept hearing the message of "Community and Service" in the Parish and felt compelled to get involved. He got involved with the Social Justice Ministry and through the process of discernment finally heeded the call and began "down that path." He credits the Community and people of St. Francis for helping him toward this decision.

His advice to others potentially considering the Diaconate is to pray, be still and to listen. "Listening to others is as important as other life callings," he said.

Brother Patrick had considered joining a seminary as a young man while studying philosophy at the Catholic University of America, but after graduation he joined the U.S. Marine Corps (1980-84) and married Robin, who has been very supportive of his decision. Since 1984 he has worked for IBM.



Brother Pat McIlmoyle

Brother Patrick will be assigned somewhere in the Raleigh Diocese, but not at St. Francis. He does not plan to move or leave the Parish, but he will go where the Bishop sends him.

COUNCIL INDUCTS ONE NEW MEMBER IN JUNE

Council 9709 concluded a very successful recruiting year June 1 by inducting another new members into its ranks. Welcome to Brother Brian Fitzsimmons.

Brother Fitzsimmons brings to 30 the number of new Brothers recruited for fraternal year 2009-2010, well over the Council's original, State-assigned goal of 13. The Council has fulfilled all requirements for the Double Star Award by meeting the requirements for the Colombian Award for programs and the Founders Award for new insurance members and more than double the Father McGivney Award for new members.

All Saints Council 9709 will finish fraternal year 2009-2010 with a total membership of 219, which means that its recruiting goal under Supreme's guidelines (five percent of membership) for the Father McGivney Award for fraternal year 2010-2011 will be 11.



Brother Brian Fitzsimmons joined Council 9709 at the June 1 business meeting.

MEMORIAL DAY ROLL FOR VETS CONTINUES TO GROW



Council 9709 added 95 names to its Roll of Deceased Veterans of parishioners over the weekends of May 15-16 and 22-23, bringing to 292 the number of deceased military personnel honored at the Church's annual Memorial Day Mass May 31. Attendance at the Mass was down slightly at 86. Last year's attendance was 96.

The Mass was started on November 11, 2005, under the sponsorship of the All Saints Council and continued on Veterans Day for the next two years. There were only eight names on the original Roll because enrollees were limited to deceased veterans of Brother Knights. The Roll only grew to 18 in 2006. In 2007 the Roll was opened to deceased veterans of all parishioners, and enrollment rose by 32. Fr. Mark asked the Council to move the Mass to



Memorial Day for 2008, and another 32 names were added to the Roll that year. The Roll expanded by another 115 deceased veterans in 2009.

Parishioners are invited to enroll their deceased veteran relatives in the Memorial Book during Masses in May prior to Memorial Day. The veterans' names enrolled during the current year are read at the Memorial Day Mass, and the Memorial Book is present with all enrollees at the Mass.



The "Lazy Days of Summer"

By Rudy Sturk KofC Marketing Services Field Management, New Haven, Conn.

Everyone knows of the expression "lazy days of summer." But, while the upcoming hot weather may encourage a slower paced life, in many ways summer can be the busiest time of the year--especially for parents with school-aged children. And being busy, it's easy to forget about such things as reviewing your life insurance coverage.

The purpose of this column is to encourage you to meet with your Field Agent before the end of the summer. Whether or not you have life insurance with the Order, he will be happy to meet with you and make sure your coverage continues to meet your needs and goals. If you've had any life changes since you last bought a policy (new home, new child, new job, etc.), chances are your life insurance needs to be updated. He'll work with you to make sure you have the coverage you need at a price you can afford.

And when you meet with him, you'll discover that the time you spend together will be time well spent. Get together soon, because summer is busy, and Labor Day is just a few months away.

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LAMB SHORT 21, N.C. SPECIAL OLYMPICS OVERSUBSCRIBED



As of the Memorial Day weekend, some 21 of the 65 slots for soliciting donations to Operation LAMB June 4-6 remained open. Knights signing up to assist the North Carolina Special Olympics (NCSO) Aquatics Competition in Cary, however, were more than enough.

When the Council ran its initial spring Operation LAMB drive April 9-11, it could not reserve slots at the Harris Teeter stores or the Brier Creek Walmart, which is the biggest revenue producer of all the

stores at which the Council runs its Operation LAMB drives. As a result, the Council had scheduled an additional spring Operation LAMB drive for the first weekend in June to accommodate the Harris Teeter stores' and Walmart's schedules. Unfortunately, the NCSO had not yet released its summer schedule prior to the Council scheduling the supplemental drive.

"Unfortunately, the conflict exists," said LAMB Chairman Dave Vogelpohl. "The Council is committed to doing both of these very important tasks, and it's good to see as many people signed up for them as there are. Still, it would be nice to fill all the LAMB slots. The need is that great."

Sign up sheets for LAMB are on the Council website at www.kofc9709.org.

The Council has collected some \$10,139.91 to date, including some \$866 received from 26 Knight donors in memory of Brother Ron Hassan, who died April 27. Last year's spring drive only netted \$6,624.54.

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

Operation LAMB was founded in 1974 to assist people with intellectual disabilities and is conducted nationally by the Knights of Columbus. Some 85 percent of what a Council collects is distributed to local charities, and the remaining 15 percent is distributed by State to charities where no Councils exist.

Operation LAMB derives its name from Matthew 25:40: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the [L]east [A]mong [M]y [B]rethren, you did it to me."

HANDICAPPED RAMP TO LAVERNA HOUSE CONNECTED

The handicapped ramp Council 9709 built for the Laverna House on the Church campus in 2007 finally has a connection from the house's driveway. The cement walkway from the driveway to the ramp was recently completed along with a wooden walkway with steps from the St. Mary of the Angels Chapel parking lot leading to the Laverna House as part of the GIFT Phase 1 construction.

Twelve Knights, two non-Knights and two family members built the 68-foot ramp over two days in June 2007 at a cost of a little over \$700, less than a sixth of what one of the non-Knight experts estimated would have been the cost of a commercially constructed ramp.

Council members involved in the construction had wondered when the promised cement walkway would be built. Although the connection took almost three years to complete, the ramp looks just as good today as it did when it was first built.



The Laverna House's completed ramp and walkway.

BOY SCOUTS LOOKING FOR FISHING EQUIPMENT

Boy Scout Troop 352 is looking for fishing poles, casting nets and fly-fishing tying vises for the 2010 Catholic Camporee, which it is hosting again this year in September. Knights who would be willing to lend them to the Boy Scouts should contact Brother Tom McKemie directly at 846-6488 or tmckemie@nc.rr.com.

The Camporee's theme is "Loaves and Fishes," and the equipment will be used in various activities in support of that theme. Every effort will be made to return the equipment in the same condition it was received.