

Brothers

Peggy and I made it back from Buffalo, NY late Saturday night just in time to have dinner and adjourn to bed for a good night's rest. We laid my Mother In-laws ashes to eternal rest Wednesday in a niche beside her husband who departed last year. I am certainly glad to be back, but have many things to catch up on. Also, may I add my family and I would like to say thanks to all of you for the many cards and prayers we received during this past week. Your love and support are greatly appreciated and know that it does make a difference. I have a lot of information to share with you in this update, so I will list it as a newsletter for reference sake.

COUNCIL BUILDS ACCESS RAMP FOR BROTHER HADON WARE (by: DD Dick Bridges)

Some nine Knights and family members constructed an 18-foot ramp to provide Brother Hadon Ware wheelchair mobility to enter and exit his Wake Forest home Saturday, August 3. Brother Ware was diagnosed over a year ago with a rare disease, Multiple System Atrophy with Parkinsonism, that affects only some 50,000 worldwide. The disease has severely limited his mobility, which generated the requirement for the ramp.

"A huge prayer of thanks has been said numerous times to our Lord for supplying Dad with such a wonderful family in The Knights of Columbus. Your team yesterday was and is wonderful!" said Bonnie Farrow, second daughter of the Wares who lives in Wake Forest.

Thanks to Brothers Dick Bridges, Jerry Cucurullo, Keith and Heather Dudley, Larry Dudley, Tony Evans, Grayson Farrow, Ray Martin and Rich Szulewski who together put in an average of eight hours each to construct the ramp. Heather Dudley is Brother Larry Dudley's daughter, and Brother Keith is Brother Larry Dudley's son-in-law. Grayson Farrow, a 10th grader at Heritage High School, is Brother Ware's grandson and son of his daughter Bonnie Farrow.

Brother Larry, Brother Keith and Heather traveled from their beach vacation on Oak Island, S.C., to design and spearhead the ramp construction effort and purchased the \$360 worth of supplies to build the ramp. A typical handicapped ramp like this one would cost several thousand dollars with labor.

Brothers Jerry Cucurullo and Ray Martin returned to put the finishing touches on the ramp Sunday, August 4, after a heavy rain storm curtailed activities Saturday evening, together putting in another 12 hours on the project. They also constructed a smaller ramp at the front door of the house to allow easy access to the porch.



PHOTO CAPTION: L-R: Hadon Ware, Jr., with his father in his wheelchair inspect the ramp in progress as the construction crew of Brothers Rich Szulewski, Dick Bridges, Jerry Cucurullo, Heather, Keith and Larry Dudley; Grayson Farrow and Ray Martin take a break. Not pictured: Brother Tony Evans. (Photo by Bonnie Farrow)

BROTHER DICK NOVACEK APPOINTED DISTRICT WARDEN (by: DD Dick Bridges)

District Deputy Brother Dick Bridges announced at the Council business meeting August 6 that Brother Dick Novacek had accepted an appointment as District Warden for District 9. District 9 includes four Councils: Immaculate Conception Council 3390 in Durham, All Saints Council 9709 in Raleigh, St. Luke the Evangelist Council 12455 in Raleigh and Pope John Paul II Council 13812 in Durham.

The District Warden assists the District Deputy in the execution of his duties, attending events that the District Deputy is unable to attend. He also plays an important role in the annual Installation of Officers ceremonies for District Councils. Typically, a District Warden has been a Grand Knight. New District Warden Dick Novacek was Grand Knight of Council 9709 for fraternal year 2000-2001. The District Warden position can also be a stepping stone for the position of District Deputy. A District Deputy officially represents the Supreme Knight in his District and is reimbursed for mileage, lodging and meals for the performance of his duties. The

District Warden is not reimbursed for expenses. A District Deputy can serve up to four consecutive one-year terms with an additional one-year extension. There are 29 District Deputies in North Carolina. Each District Deputy can have one or more District Wardens. Regional District Deputies and State Chancellors are positions established by the State Council of North Carolina and are not recognized by the Supreme Council. Their expenses are reimbursed by the State similarly to how District Deputies are reimbursed by Supreme. There are seven Regional District Deputies and two State Chancellors in North Carolina.

131st Supreme Convention

Welcome back Brother Tom Dupree from the Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention held in San Antonio Texas this year. It is a distinguished honor to attend this event which is normally attended by high ranking State and National Officers. I am sure Tom will have some great information to share with us at our next Business meeting.

Durham Bulls sales have gone out of the park this year

Brothers, I am proud to say that Durham Bulls sales have skyrocketed out of the park this year! Mike Wrzesien and his crews have exceeded all our budgeted expectations and made it fun to boot! Thanks Mike for taking my place on the last night, last game, but wait! We have more games if case you missed the opportunity. Mike has signed us up for two Play-off games and two Championship games. These will be top class games and promise to be even more exciting than the previous 22. Signups for these games have already been added to the signup sheet at: <http://www2.mysignup.com/cgi-bin/view.cgi?datafile=durhambullsbaseball2013>.

LAMB Drive

Gentlemen, Bob Weisenberger tells me we have broken \$10,000 in collections this month and are well on the way to making our goal of \$20,000.00. I feel this is not a lofty goal, but a very obtainable goal to show our support of all our Special Olympians and young people who are so deserving. August 31st will be our next drive. If you have 2-4 hours to spare, please join me and our other fellow Knights as we tell Raleigh that we support our intellectually disabled young friends! Signup sheet is: <http://www2.mysignup.com/cgi-bin/view.cgi?datafile=9709operationlambspring2013>. This weekend drive will be at the Wal-Mart in Morrisville from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. broken up in 2 hour shifts. Our next drive will be on September 7th and 8th at the Townridge Wal-Mart off Glenwood Avenue.

Next Social Gathering

Brothers, our next social gathering will be at Manchesters Restaurant. This is a great location that offers us a separate dining room for our group. Manchesters offers a variety of well drinks plus many varieties of beers and wine are available for your dining pleasure. Their food is

excellent and reasonably priced. Please come and join me and my family for a great evening out. When: Tue, September 17, 6:30pm – 9:00pm, map available on the council calendar.

WIHN

Wake families will be back on the Campus of St Francis the week of 9/8 and our Council once again has committed to feed the families on their final day with us, Saturday the 14th. This event has turned out to be a very enriching experience for those of us that have participated in it. It only requires 4-5 members to feed this small group and cost is minimal. Please consider volunteering a couple hours of your morning to come out and help with this event. Contact me at brian.d.denison@gmail.com if you can help.

Knights of Columbus Hosts Migrant Ministry Meal

St. Francis All Saints Council 9709 are hosting a meal for the migrant workers at Our Lady of the Rosary Church on Sunday, Sept. 15, and they need your help with food donations, set up, serving, clean up and transporting the food. This meal will be served after the 1pm mass at Our Lady of the Rosary. Signup sheet from Council is at Website: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090448ADA6292-knights1>

Food donations need to be dropped off at Clare Hall kitchen on 9/15 by 11:30am. Volunteers helping to transport food need to be at the Clare Hall kitchen by 12pm. Set up/servers/clean up volunteers need to be at Our Lady of the Rosary by 1pm on 9/15. Note: main dish (fried chicken) is being provided by the Migrant Ministry. Any questions, contact Tom Carlson at tcarlson28@gmail.com

Flag Retirement Ceremony

Brothers, we have a very special event this coming September Business Meeting with a Flag Retirement Ceremony put on by the our Boy Scouts. So, for all you that still have old torn and withered flags stashed away in your garages and cabinets, here is an opportunity to bring them out and have them retired with Dignity and Honor! If you have not already dropped your flags off at the church these past 2 weekends, please bring them to the meeting.

Adopt a Highway

Fellow walkers, we will be holding our next highway cleanup on Saturday, September 14, 9am – 10am. Starting Location is the TFS Parking Lot bright and early in your tennis shoes.

Help clean up Leesville Road and keep our neighborhood beautiful, and enjoy a brother Knights company for an hour or so. Coffee and snacks are normally provided after the walk. If interested, contact: **John Moster at 783-8407** or jamooster@bellsouth.net .

2013 Fourth Degree Exemplification

For the brothers that have been waiting for the 4th degree, the date has been set for: **October 26, 2013** and it will be held at the **Sheraton Imperial Hotel & Convention Center**, 4700 Emperor Blvd., Durham, NC 27703 (RTP). For those of you that have not yet applied, contact Tom Dupree at: twdupree@aol.com or myself at brian.d.denison@gmail.com.

Please get your applications in early, this is a rare event having this degree held in our own area. Usually they are in Greensboro or Charlotte areas. There is no longer a minimum time requirement from 3rd degree to 4th degree, so signup ASAP! Peggy and I will be attending and will be looking forward to seeing you there.

Catholic Parish Outreach volunteer opportunity for council

Once again we are taking a day to go down to the CPO and lend a hand to the many volunteers that work there daily, weekly and monthly. We are seeking 10 volunteers willing to give up a Saturday morning to lend a hand to feed those less fortunate than us. A CPO volunteer sign-up sheet for the members of the All Saints Council is at this link: <http://www2.mysignup.com/9709cpodayfall2013> .

I tentatively set 9:00 a.m. as the start time and we normally work till 1 p.m. Snacks and water are provided by the CPO. If you need a ride, email brian.d.denison@gmail.com and we can form a Carpool at the church that morning at 8:30 a.m.

The Justice Theater Project presents (Friends of the Knights and supporters of the Catechism Play)

JTP presents: One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest by Dale Wasserman. Adapted from the novel by Ken Kesey. Directed by Jeremy Fiebig.

Three Weekends of Events:

September 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21 at 8pm

September 8, 15 and 22 at 2pm

Buy Tickets: http://www.etix.com/ticket/online/venueSearch.jsp?venue_id=7353

Groups of 10 or more are guaranteed reserved seating. Season Members, please email us for your reservations.

Special seating considerations are always honored. Let us know if you are unable to climb steps and need floor seating.

All shows take place in Clare Hall, on the campus of The Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi. 11401 Leesville Road, Raleigh.
919.264.7089

To celebrate the Year of Faith

Knights of Columbus will gather Sunday, September 8, 2013, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. The date coincides with the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the Basilica's 56-bell carillon, which is located in the Knights Tower and was a gift from the Order to our country's preeminent Marian shrine.

The pilgrimage will begin with a solemn Mass at noon celebrated by our Supreme Chaplain, Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore. Following Mass, there will be remarks from Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, a Marian meditation by Archbishop Gérald Cyprien Lacroix of Québec, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the rosary and the rededication of the Order to the Blessed Virgin Mary. A carillon postlude will conclude the event at approximately 2:30 p.m. Confessions will be available from 10 a.m. – noon. Participants may obtain a Year of Faith plenary indulgence.

You and your family are invited to celebrate the Year of Faith by joining other Knights and families in prayer, entrusting the Order and our families to the maternal intercession of Mary Immaculate. Please encourage members of your council and others to travel with you for the pilgrimage. More information is available at kofc.org/pilgrimage. Fourth Degree members are asked to use this link or the website to preregister for participation in the pilgrimage honor guard.

Sunday, September 8, 2013, Noon – 2:30 p.m.
Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
400 Michigan Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20017

Catholic Family Day at Carowinds

September 28th kids are back in school, temperatures are cooling off, a few leaves are starting to change colors and there seems to be a relaxed pace to everything. But maybe you still miss some of the excitement of Summer or perhaps wish you could do some of those fun Summer activities without the heat and the jostling crowds. Well, now's the perfect time! Go to Carowinds for the day - but not just any day, a day with other Catholic families. Great atmosphere, great excitement and start off with a Mass concelebrated by all three Bishops of the Carolinas in the morning. One price gets you in, gets you on the rides and gets you a picnic lunch. (If you already have season passes, you just need to get a lunch ticket.) One priest said if it weren't for a wedding in his parish that day, he would so BE THERE just to see the Bishops on the roller coaster! (Go ahead get them on video so you can replay it for Faith Formation classes the next week!)

Here's a link with the details..... <http://www.stmatthewcc.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/CC13-197-raleigh-carolina-catholic-flyer1.pdf>

Make your plans by September 13th and enjoy the fun!

Fred Burton
NC Family Director

That's all for now, we have our Planning meeting tomorrow, Tuesday followed by our regular Business meeting the following Tuesday. I know this is a lot to digest, but I just had to share all that is going on.

VJ,

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