From The State Deputy

My brothers,
Vivat Jesus!

The first month of the “rain of terror” is now in the record books. How was it for you? For me, the excitement of the organizational meeting with the opportunity to share the direction of the new leadership team was a rush. From your feedback, the new format and style of the training meeting was well received. Yes, there were some rough edges, but overall, you thought it worked well. My thanks go out to all of the facilitators who made the breakout sessions so successful.

So what is next for your leadership team? Many visits by the leadership team to the councils to deliver all the Supreme Recognition Awards. Then the golf and bocce tournaments are on tap. Then planning for the midyear meetings with the emphasis on Financial Secretary and Lamb Director training.

So how about your council, what should you do? How about scheduling a meeting during August with your Pastor or Administrator at every Parish your council supports. Ask about two things, First, what specific event can the council do to support the parish during August/September. This would be a great way to start off this fraternal year and provide an opportunity to invite a family to join your council in making a difference. By example can we entice others to join us in our good works.

Second, schedule a Columbus Day Event in October to celebrate our 125th year of the order. Get your membership involved, your Fourth Degree involved, your parish involved. Let’s make this the best celebration of our namesake ever.

When you have these two events, take pictures, get stories, and share it with Greg, our Tar Heel Knight Editor for our Knights in Action. Use the THK for sharing successes!! Oh, by the way, use our newsletter for a brief “one-liner” about a council event. It is important that every member has a personal responsibility to invite a fellow parishioner to join us in our good work.

Share your success, share your joy, and share your enthusiasm. Together we will make our state #1 in the order.

Fraternally,

John

John Gouldie, NC State Deputy
From the Chaplain’s desk:

My dear Brother Knights, greetings in Jesus’ name:

A month has pass since the installation of the new officers of our Knight of Columbus organization. We know the great expectation you have for each of us. We want to create a new atmosphere at the state level of our organization. For instance, to work together not only by raising money to meet the physical needs of our parishes, but also giving a public testimony of our Roman Catholic faith in our communities.

As your chaplain, I invite you to highly consider the opportunity to give public testimony of our organization by putting together the Columbus Day Weekend Solemn Mass celebration. Each council is invited to organize this event. If you need further assistance with ideas about the Knights of Columbus at Mass, please do not hesitate to contact me at padreleon@peru.com or call me at 910-642-3895.

We, your state officers, hope and pray that this new beginning will be a year of blessings from the almighty God and a year of public testimony of our faith during the liturgical celebrations, as Jesus said: “Do not be afraid, just have faith.”

Padre Leon,
State Chaplain

NC Family Life Director Message

Worthy Brothers All,
Greetings from Fayetteville and Vivat Jesus!
I hope this edition finds you all well in your corner of North Carolina.

I just wanted to express my congratulations on a great Organizational Meeting. As well, thanks to the most humble council for hosting the event.

As a reminder, don’t forget that Knights of Columbus Family week is from August 11th through the 19th. Please plan an activity that involves. Remember, families sacrifice time away from our Brother Knights so that they may participate in the many programs that we conduct. Give them a little something back. As I said at the organizational meeting, my council conducts an Ice Cream Social. Very low impact and easy to conduct. Perhaps your council could do a picnic or dinner, something simple to honor our families. You could even open it up to your entire Parish and use it as a starter for the fall membership drive.

Family of the Month submissions are beginning to roll in! Thank-you to all who are participating in that program. I still haven’t received 117 submissions. I relish the idea of being able to report to our State Deputy that 100 percent of the councils have participated in the Family of the Month Program.

Peace to each of you,

Colin Jorsch,
Family Life Director
Squires’ Corner

Brothers all,

Vivat Jesus!

I was not able to attend the State organizational meeting because of personal problems. I had planned to have all the information for the 2007 Christmas card season and some free ethnic cards that I have on display. Since I was not there I will be mailing out the information to all the councils. This is the time to start planning and ordering your stock. If you have not sold Christmas cards in the past talk to a council that has. There is a twofold reward. First you will be giving your fellow catholic the cards that show the true meaning of Christ-mass and second you will be able to make a profit. It takes some time, but isn’t this what we are about? We have to promote the real meaning of Christmas!!!!! And to help stop all this anti-God motions that we have to live with. I again apologize for not being there, but I am in the book and on the Squires’ web page. So you can also order your cards and be ready for the beginning of the Christmas season. www.ncsquires.org

Fraternally,

Joseph R Zegan, PGK
State Squires Chairman

From Your Church Director

Vivat Jesus!

Well, didn’t we have a great time at the Organization Meeting? For those who missed it, you missed a lot of great information and great camaraderie with your fellow Knights.

Just a few items to recap some of the things that we discussed.

First and foremost we have one hundred and seventeen active councils that really support our parishes. We do have, however, about another seventy five parishes that are covered by a Round Table, or what’s really bad, no representation at all. Brothers, remember that we must report Round Table Coordinators every year for the mission parishes or other parishes in close proximity to our council meeting places. I know that many of you have these parishes covered by Round Tables but our goal is to see that all communities that have a regular Catholic presence are supported by a K of C Council.

Get your form 2629 Report of Round Table Coordinator submitted to Supreme with a copy to your State Deputy at the earliest.

If there is anything that I can do to help any Grand Knight with your Church Programs don’t hesitate to contact me at 252-338-9619 or by E-Mail at: dnmguire@inteliport.com

Fraternally,

Dave McGuire,
State Church Director
Join us in the first ever Bike for Life Pilgrimage. Leaving Raleigh on Saturday August 4th and arriving in Washington, D.C. Saturday August 11th at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Responding to the call of Pope John Paul II to go out to the streets and byways and spread the “Gospel of Life” and the call to build a “Civilization of Love”.

The pilgrims will be Riders and Non Riders of all ages: Single, Married, and Religious. Pilgrims are joining us from Ft. Worth, Richmond, Arlington, Naples, Dallas, and the Bronx. Also taking part are the Sisters of Life from the Bronx, NY and joining us in Alexandria are the Friars of the Renewal. Look for us on the road of life. Check the website for one of the nine parishes near you who will be praying the Solidarity for Life Novena. We will need your prayers!

See how you can help or join us by visiting our website: www.bikeforlifepilgrimage.com or Email us at: bikeforlifepilgrimage@yahoo.com or call Sabrena (919)557-1212
Knights of Columbus Council 9039 Collect Cell Phones for Special Olympics Brunswick County

Brunswick County, NC – The Knights of Columbus, Council 9039, of Shallotte, NC have been collecting cell phones for the local Special Olympics program in Brunswick County. Last year, the council contacted the local coordinator for permission to begin the project, a project authorized by Special Olympics North Carolina. After receiving permission to go forth with the collection, the council collected over 730 phones, and the local program received over $2000 for the training and competition purposes of athletes involved in Special Olympics. This year the council exceeded their amount from 2006 by collecting over 900 phones in just a little over 4 months. The Knights formed a partnership with ATMC in Shallotte and were given permission to place cell phone collection boxes in ATMC wireless stores throughout Shallotte, Sunset Beach, Southport, and Leland. Cell phone collection boxes were also placed at St. Brendan’s Catholic Church in Shallotte, home to the Knights of Columbus Council 9039, and BB&T stores throughout the county. Their efforts in cell phone collections over the last year have exceeded that of any other group in NC.

Special Olympics North Carolina began recycling cell phones 3 years ago, and local programs receive 100% of the profits from the phones they collect. Cell phones are sent to a contracted company outside of NC to be valued, and local programs are then credited the money. This is the second year that the Knights of Columbus Council 9039 have completed the project, and they are planning to continue collection in 2008. Jerry Scharoun and Joe Garbarino of the council have guided the movement and partnership with ATMC.

Over 400 athletes train and compete in Special Olympics Brunswick County in eleven different sports: alpine skiing, equestrian, bowling, aquatics, cheerleading, basketball, softball, golf, bocce, track and field, and tennis. Training and competition occur year round, and athletes compete at local, area, and state level events. The Knights of Columbus Council 9039 support the program annually, both financially and by volunteering at local events.

Anita Dwyer, Cape Fear Area Director
Special Olympics North Carolina

Joe Garbarino, Anita Dwyer and Jerry Scharoun sit in front of some of the many boxes filled with cell phones.
Experience of a Lifetime -
Recruit a New Member

Vivat Jesus!

July 2007 was the start of our new fraternal year. A challenge was made to each Officer holding an office this year, including State, District and Council. In addition, a request was made to each Council to hold a 1st Degree in honor of Father Michael J. McGivney.

During the month of August is Family Week (Aug 11-19). This is a great opportunity to recruit a new Knight. As your council celebrates council families you should invite those families that you have been after to join our ranks. What better way to show that we are a family oriented organization? This will be a great opportunity to show the CD that was presented at the Organization meeting. Remember to have a table set up and have a member of your council and an Insurance Agent there to answer any and all questions.

My brother Knights don’t let this event go without ASKING a member of your parish to join our ranks, at the very least get a Prospect Card filled out, and remember to get the card to your Admission Committee.

Fraternally,

Pat Wojciechowski,
State Membership Director

The Life and Legacy of Fr. McGivney
Monday August 6, 2007 3:00 AM
Monday August 6, 2007 6:30 PM
Tuesday August 7, 2007 9:00 AM

Vocation To Marriage
A Knights of Columbus film exploring the profound reality of the marriage vocation as a path of holiness and union with God and one another.
Tuesday August 7, 2007 3:00 AM
Tuesday August 7, 2007 6:30 PM

Super Saints: Fr. McGivney
Tuesday August 7, 2007 6:30 AM
Tuesday August 7, 2007 5:00 PM

Knights of Columbus 125th Supreme Convention Opening Ceremonies and Mass
Tuesday August 7, 2007 9:30 AM (Live)
Wednesday August 8, 2007 12:00 AM

Knights of Columbus 125th Supreme Convention Supreme Knight's Report
Tuesday August 7, 2007 2:00 PM (Live)
Tuesday August 7, 2007 4:00 PM

Knights of Columbus 125th Supreme Convention State’s Dinner
Tuesday August 7, 2007 8:00 PM (Live)

The Vocation to the Priesthood
A Knights of Columbus film exploring the mysterious and sacred reality of the Priestly vocation; the program reveals the great good the priesthood can bring to the Church and the world.
Wednesday August 8, 2007 3:00 AM
Wednesday August 8, 2007 6:30 PM
At the 2007 State Organizational Meeting Saturday night banquet, the keynote speaker was Special Olympics North Carolina Global Messenger and Special Olympics athlete Carl Hibbert. His speech provided an insight into his belief of God and the impact that Special Olympics has had in his life. It was so inspirational that it is presented below in its entirety.

“Thank you for inviting me to your banquet tonight. I really enjoyed my dinner. My name is Carl Woodall Hibbert, Jr. I just turned 30 last month. I am named for my father and my great grandfather. I have graduated from high school and now work at a Courtyard Marriott in Raleigh. I love my job.

I started competing for Special Olympics when I was 10 years old. I swim, snow ski, and play golf for Special Olympics. I have won lots of medals. I love being part of Special Olympics and have learned many things from training and competing. I have had wonderful volunteer coaches who are positive, enthusiastic, and believe in me, as well as in my teammates. Gold, silver, and bronze medals are all treasures but the greatest treasure of all is love. Love comes from the heart. Gold, silver, and bronze medals are earthly treasures. Treasures from the heart are heavenly treasures.

I believe I am a child of God. I believe I am made in God’s image. I want to do as Christ wants me to do. I know that I am unique and different and that God made plans for me even before I was born. I have prayed about what those plans were.

The mission of life is in the right use of life. Any act of kindness or love is a mighty one. No one on earth is like anybody else. We all have different talents and that’s why we are all different. I like to concentrate on my abilities and not on the things that are hard for me. We can all learn from each other. We can share ourselves with each other. We together can make this a better world in which to live.

From Special Olympics I have learned about courage, trying hard, as well as how important it is to try to do your best. From my church I have learned about God and His grace as well as His forgiveness. I now assist in a two-year old Sunday School class on Sunday mornings. I help a little girl who is almost blind be a real part of her Sunday School class. She is precious! I have shadowed other young children in Sunday School classes who have had special needs. I feel like I am doing one of the things God has called me to do.

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2007 Organizational Meeting
Keynote Speaker
Special Olympics North Carolina
Global Messenger and Special Olympics Athlete
Carl Woodall Hibbert, Jr.
Since I began high school I have been on seven mission trips. I have worked on the Appalachian Service Project three different summers, helping repair homes in Appalachia. One year one of the children in our family was blind. I made friends with him and kept him safe while our church group tried to make his home be warmer for winter. Another year I helped dig a hole for a sewage tank. I am a good digger! I don’t like to brag, but I became strong from all my swimming workouts.

I have also been to Villerhermosa, Mexico, to help build a Presbyterian seminary. That was hot work digging trenches to get ready for cement foundations to be poured. But I loved it! I have also been on two mission trips to Atlanta to work with the homeless. On my first trip we stayed at The Open Door where homeless men could spend the night. We all helped build a bigger food pantry.

During my high school years I played a lot of checkers with my dad, my uncles, and my grandfathers. So when the men were playing checkers after dinner I asked if I could play the winner. Well, guess what! I beat him. And I beat the next guy, too. And the next. Well, the next day our mission group leader saw those same men gathered together outside trying to figure out how to beat me in checkers! Our leader gave me credit for helping the homeless men learn that it is good to be able to work together to figure something out. Also he said because I was brave enough to ask if I could play checkers, I gave the other teenagers from our church the courage to try to talk with these homeless men, which they did. We had all been shy to begin with. So we made friends and they appreciated all our hard work building the pantry.

My seventh mission trip was to Haiti with my dad in February, 2004. We went to work in three orphanages. We made friends with the children and played with them. We also played dominoes with some of the Haitian men. My dad and I always got beat, however. I am still sad about that. But we were good sports so we had a good time together. And we worshipped together even while more than one language was used in our worship services. It was awesome.

My mom and dad say that Special Olympics has helped me learn good sportsmanship, courage, and how to be a friend and how to keep trying when something is hard. I have also become more independent and can take care of myself because of all the nights I have spent away from home when I go to Special Olympics State meets. Special Olympics is really a big part of my life and I love it!

I know that all of you have helped make Special Olympics possible. And I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you do to volunteer and raise money for Special Olympics, not only for me but for many other Special Olympic athletes who have their own special life stories.

Remember, it’s the qualities in your heart that make you a winner and give you the feeling of the deep shiver of victory. And then, don’t forget to remember, when God measures a person, He puts the tape around the heart instead of around the head.

Thank you again for asking me to speak tonight.”
Chaplain’s Corner –
by Fr. Robert J. Kus

“Priesthood Recruitment”

In many parts of the world, the term “vanishing Eucharist” is being used more and more; there are no priests to celebrate Eucharist (Mass) with the people. In the United States, more and more parishes are closing, and many of them are listed as “priestless parishes.” In the United States, the average age of priests is well over 60 years, closer to 65.

The job of recruiting men to the priesthood is the job of all Catholic Christians. Vocation Directors, no matter how talented, rely on those of us in the parish, for they usually have no parish themselves.

I have found, for me, that recruiting for the priesthood is not so difficult. In my first two years of priesthood (1998-2000), for example, I had a small group of 5 men in a parish discernment group. Four of the five went on to become seminarians. The secret? I asked the men if they had ever considered a vocation to the priesthood. It was that simple. Then, I nurtured them and steered them to a vocation director. Today in my parish, I have a small group of men that are discerning a priesthood vocation: two Mexicans and two Americans. They simply needed to be asked.

What kind of men could you approach? Well, the typical seminarian in the USA is in his thirties or older and had a profession before entering the seminary. One-third of American seminarians are not Americans at all, but come from nations such as Vietnam, Mexico, Poland, or the Philippines.

The basic pool of men from which we recruit include those who are single, divorced, or widowed.

When I look at a potential priesthood candidate, I look for certain qualities. I especially like a man who loves God and prayer but is not a “holier-than-thou” type. I look for a man who is sensitive and compassionate towards the underdogs of society, just as Jesus was. I look for a man with a sense of humor, who can laugh at himself as well as the jokes of children. I look for the man who loves people. I look for the man who believes Jesus and his Church is for all people without exception. I look for the man who is humble and does not “put on airs.” I look for the man who is a hard worker and would never consider asking another to do something he would not do. I look for a man who is flexible instead of rigid. I look for a man filled with joy instead of anger. I look for the man who has the necessary intelligence to master the rigors of seminary education. I look for the man I would want to be my pastor someday.

The job of recruiting is ours, each and every Knight. Do you know someone you’d like to be a priest some day? Have you told him that? If not, do it today!

Fr. Bob is Pastor & Rector of St. Mary Parish, Wilmington, NC.
On July 18, 2007 I received information that I would be the new Vice-Supreme Master of the DeSoto Province effective September 1, 2007. I will be replacing VSM Frank Scandone. I, as well as the District of North Carolina, would be remiss if we did not recognize VSM Scandone’s excellent leadership of the DeSoto Province. VSM Scandone set high standards and goals, which caused all of the Districts in the province to have excellent performance this past year. I can guarantee I will do my best to make VSM Scandone proud of our performance under my reign as Vice-Supreme Master.

My replacement has not yet been named, but when he is, I will be there to help him get off to an excellent start. You can be sure I have too much pride in North Carolina to not stay involved in keeping it one of the best Districts in the Order. I still offer my assistance to anyone who thinks I might be of some help to make their Assembly better.

Don’t forget our Exemplification, October 20, 2007 at the Embassy Suites Hotel at Concord Mills, NC. We need to have a great Exemplification as North Carolina’s own Supreme Director, John Harrison, will be the Honoree for this Exemplification.

Assembly No. 2208, Charlotte, has accepted the job of hosting the Exemplification. They assure me that we will have the best hospitality room ever. They are also going to have Baby Sitting for those with small children. This will be available during the banquet. This should make it possible for some of the younger Family Knights to take their Exemplification. The baby sitting will be accepting donations to cover the cost of the entertainment for the children. Remember the goal for this Exemplification is 200+ new Sir Knights. This will take the efforts of every Assembly to accomplish this goal.
Master's Message continued -

One of my last official duties is the naming of a new Faithful District Friar. Effective September 1, 2007, Father William “Bill” Lesak, Captain, U.S. Navy, Chaplain at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point in Havelock, will be our District Friar. No, Father Lawson is not fully retiring; he is being named District Friar Emeritus. I can never thank Father Lawson enough for all he has done for the Knights of Columbus, as well as for me personally. He has faithfully served both the State Council and the District for many, many years. I ask all of you to keep Father Lawson in your prayers.

I want to remind everyone that again this year we will be assisting our servicemen, who are in the Hospitals at Camp Lejeune and Fort Bragg, with serious injuries, including most of them being amputee victims, as a result of their representing our great country in the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars. I would appreciate each Assembly to start NOW by collecting individual donations to send these Amputees home for the Christmas Holiday. There are 200 Amputees in the two hospitals now and probably will be more before Christmas. Last year we only had a couple of weeks to raise money for this purpose. We did an excellent job for the time constraint, with around $9,000 donated. This year I ask that we ask our members and friends for personal donations to this cause, and then ask the Assembly to make an Assembly Donation. All of the donations for this cause are tax deductible. Have all checks made payable to “Military Order of the Purple Heart”. Send all checks to me and I will forward them to the proper people to be used for this great cause. I can assure you that 100% of the donations will go to help these Amputees. Not one cent will be used to direct this program.

In closing I want to express my sincere appreciation to all of the Sir Knights in North Carolina for the dedication to the Knights of Columbus, especially the Fourth Degree. It is due to your dedication and work on our programs, along with your recruiting efforts that made it possible for me to have a great record as District Master and be considered for the Vice Supreme Master’s Position. I will always be keeping you all in my prayers and praying for continued success for our Order.

Fraternally,

Robert J. “Bob” Singer, PSD
North Carolina District Master
Vice-Supreme Master (Select)

Vice-Supreme Master
SK Frank X. Scandone, PSD, FDM

Thank you for your leadership, service and devotion to the DeSoto Province and to the Order.
On July 14, at a Mass celebrated by Lt. John C. Monahan, Navy Chaplain from Camp Lejeune, the Chorale joined with 250 knights and their families to support the installation of new State Deputy John Gouldie and his staff.

It is always difficult in a hotel like the Sheraton Imperial for all attending the Mass, in a converted conference room, to recognize the need for quiet in preparation for the coming visit of the Lord and especially so, with the excitement of so many new attendees. The purpose of the prelude before Mass is to prepare everyone for the service and at this Mass it was a pleasure to see so many joining in with the singing and appreciating the music. It was especially moving during the Mass when everyone joined in, with reverence, in the singing of Shubert’s “Ave Maria”.

The Chorale is looking forward to working with our new State Deputy and eagerly welcomes any new direction where the Chorale could support the State Council. Unfortunately the Chorale does not do “Bluegrass”, one of John Gouldie’s musical loves as expressed at the banquet.

This weekend recognized a couple of important milestones for the Chorale. Happy Birthday to Tenor Frank DeLorenzo who recently celebrated his 81st birthday and Director Joe Dick who reached his 73rd. The Chorale now has 4 members over 80 and many in their 70s. Do you think singing with the Chorale has anything to do with longevity? Sign up now to join us!!

The next engagement for the Chorale is on the weekend of September 21 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Newton Grove. Assembly 2490 is celebrating their 10th Anniversary. If you would like the Chorale to join with you at your church, there are openings for four engagements in 2009.

If you are interested in joining the Chorale please contact birdlady@buggs.net and you will be contacted by our Director Joe Dick. If you would like a copy of the Chorale’s CD “Mary’s Child” please contact angelo@ec.rr.com.
Everybody's Invited!

Fuquay-Varina Council 12119’s annual BBQ for the needy. Sept. 15th on Main St., serving from 10:30 AM until 7:00 PM. Cost is $7.00 per person. Carry out or eat in. Contact PSD Dave Onofrio for more information at 919-552-7817 or donofrio@nc.rr.com. The menu includes Pork or Chicken, slaw, green beans, roll, and a drink.

Knights In Action

(L-R) Larry Dudley, Ralph Guenther, Rich Szulewski, Dick Bridges, Mike Darrow, Tom Dupree, Dave Vogelpohl, Mike Evans, Ken Stevens and Tony Evans pose on the ramp after its completion Saturday, June 30. More photos are available on the Council’s Website at www.kofc9709.org.
Welcome to North Carolina!

Supreme Program Consultant
Bill Mulvihill, PSD
of
Richmond, VA

We Hope You Enjoyed Your Visit.

Fraternity Without Boundaries

Recently St. Matthew Council 10852 in Charlotte had the pleasure of a visit from Patrick Djondo, a visiting brother Knight from Conseil Plateau Mont-Royal 5118 in Montreal, Canada. Patrick who is visiting the Charlotte area, received meeting and contact information from our State Officers and consequently arrangements were made for his attendance at Council 10852's Knights Mass at St. Matthew and then the Council's July business meeting.

L-R GK Richard White, Council 10852; Chuck Elgin, Council 10852 Newsletter Editor; Patrick Djondo, Council 5118 Montreal; and DGK Robert Desch, Council 10852.
Hello from the Coast

Brothers,

As many of you know, my responsibility to you is to remind you of reporting. Hopefully, you have turned in your Form 185 Report of Officers, due 1 July, and your Form 365 Report of Program Personnel, due 1 August. The next big report that is due is Form 1295-1 your council semi-annual audit. If you have not completed your audit to date it needs to be at the top of your priority list to get done. It is due to Supreme by 15 August.

I want to thank each of you for your charity in being an officer in your council. There are many people in the council who want to work and help but not be in charge. It takes a special man who is willing to give his time, talent and treasures to be an officer in our councils. With that acceptance comes responsibility, I know each of you does not take this responsibility lightly. Moreover, the unpleasant and tedious task of reporting is a necessity. I do not like reports any more than you do but it is a necessary evil in our current mediums of communication.

I look forward to visiting with you in your councils. Please know that I not only consider it my responsibility to you as a state officer but also a privilege to join you at a council function. Please do not hesitate to invite me to a meeting or an outing. I would love to see each and every one of you during the course of the fraternal year.

God Bless!

Mike Durbin,
NC State Warden
Ceremonial Corner

This is the current schedule for the Third Degree Ceremonials 2007-2008 for N.C.

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Worthy Grand Knights,

Vivat Jesus!

Please notify the Grand Knight of the host Council ASAP with the number of candidates that you intend to bring to the Third Degree in the respective area. Then update 2 weeks and 1 week prior to the degree. Also, encourage your members to attend, especially if they sponsored a candidate. We need better coordination and attendance at these Ceremonials.

If you wish to host a Third Degree please let me know the Date, location, and the availability of your hall intended for the degree.

Fraternally,

Joe Brunner
910-315-1812
jbrunnernc@hotmail.com

PS - Here are illustrations of the new Degree certificates!
Get them from the Supreme Supply Dept. and use the templates found on the state website. (Coming Soon)
STATE DIRECTORY

Brother Knights,
Vivat Jesus!
Greetings from Elizabeth City!
As we go to press with this issue, we anticipate getting the state directory to the printers by the end of the week. I use the term “we” since my best friend and wife, Charlotte, is a co-conspirator in publishing our state directory.
The directory will incorporate all changes received through July 30th. We hope to have the directory in the mail to you by the last week of August.
Fraternally,
Gene Tortone,
Administrative Assistant

CORRECTION
In the July edition of the Tar Heel Knight, I mistakenly left out a council under the State Deputy Award Winner List.
Please Congratulate
Council #9039 in Shallotte
Jack Dambaugh, Grand Knight
As a recipient of this prestigious award
CONGRATULATIONS!
THK Editor

Happy Birthday!!
Birthday Greetings to:
Council No. 6970
Eden/Reidsville
August 21 1977
Charter GK Leslie A. Daly
DD Thomas F. Campbell, Jr.
August 21 2007
GK Steven Hale IV
DD Pat Love
30 Years of Fraternity!
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Council No. 7186
Apex
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Charter GK Robert Prewitt
DD Carl Dappen
August 21 2007
GK Tom Harmon
DD Rick Scherer
5 Years of Fraternity!
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Can you be identified as a Knight of Columbus?
Wear your Pin or Badge!
Brother Knights,

July was a busy month!

State Organizational Meeting in Durham
As I stated at the meeting, Pro-Life advocates have a “Bike for Life” pilgrimage from Raleigh to Washington from August 3-11th. As of this writing I still haven’t been given a starting time.

Remember, if your Council wants to receive the Honor Council Award, they must do one of the following:

Participate in a Mass for Life. Council working in unity with their Priest, establish a local Mass for Life to be offered on March 25th, the “Feast of the Annunciation”.
Participate as a Council in the Raleigh “March for Life” in January.
Participate in the Washington “March for Life”, also in January.

This does not mean your Council cannot do more than one, but one is required.

Some of the Pro-Life programs include:
1) Participate as a Council in Fast for Life
2) Establish a day for prayer, fasting and abstinence on the first Friday of “Respect Life Month (October).


Cards that were given away at my Pro-Life table were the “Pray The Rosary To End Abortion”, “How to Pray the Rosary”, “Father Michael J. McGivney”, “Celebrate the Gospel of Life”, cards and the Pray for Vocations bookmarks can be ordered from the Supreme Supply Catalog free of charge.

The Culture of Life

The Culture of Life starts with you my Brothers. It starts with our Councils, our parishes, and how we treat one another. If we do not protect and support life, no one will. God’s love and the gift of life must be protected and shared with all we meet. We do this through action and prayer. When was the last time you and your family said the Rosary for Pro-Life?

When was the last time your Council prayed the Rosary for Pro-Life? Have your Chaplain say a Mass to end abortion. Have the Council (as a group), join your Parish in the “Life Chains” in October. Join your brother Knights in the March for Life in Raleigh (January 12th) or Washington D.C. (January 22nd). You must plan for this NOW. Put them on your Council calendars.

Also for your calendars:
Diocese of Charlotte Eucharistic Congress September 21 & 22nd www.goeucharist.com

Remember our most powerful weapon against abortion is Prayer, so Pray, Pray, Pray!

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Prayer for the Unborn

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love You very much; I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.

By Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

The Natural Choice is Life
Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council 12537  
Dedication Ceremony  
“STATUE IN MEMORY OF THE UNBORN”

On Mothers Day May 13th, The Knights of Columbus Sacred Heart Council 12537 with Fr. Trent Watts, Pastor at Sacred Heart Church, unveiled & dedicated The Statue “In Memory of the Unborn” donated by the Knights. The Memorial symbolizes the most fundamental right of all, that of the right to life. Fourth Degree Knights in regalia formed an honor guard as Grand Knight Dan Cundiff retraced the three years of planning, work and fund raising that made the statue a reality. Fr. Trent Watts, blessed the statue and recounted the untold loss in human life of children whose lives would have contributed so much to the world. The ceremony was well attended with parishioners from Sacred Heart Parish.

The Wheelchair Foundation

The Knights of Columbus have joined the Wheelchair Foundation in providing free wheelchairs to children, teens and adults worldwide who are without mobility and cannot afford a wheelchair. Hope, Mobility, Freedom and Independence are being given to people deprived of mobility by war, disease, accident, natural disaster and advanced age.

For a donation of $150.00, councils, assemblies and circles are invited to join this organization that has distributed over 580,034 wheelchairs since June 2000 to over 150 countries and geographical locations.

If you want more information go to www.wheelchairfoundation.org or just call me for information. I have DVD’s, pamphlets, newsletters and other materials to help you decide to make a difference in this world. The program was also featured in the March 2006 edition of “Columbia”.

Thank you!

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"Behind The Scenes"

Some Knights go unnoticed that do a lot of work behind the scenes. This June’s recipient of and Family the Month for Council 2546 is just one of those of men. He is very visual in his Council, but there is more than meets the eye. As their insurance agent, Brother Tim Kilpatrick stays quite busy helping Our Brother Knights plan ahead. He also stays very active in all their Church activities especially when it comes to fund raising. He has chaired several events this past year including the Art auction and the Special Olympics Golf Tournament. Tim and his family attend Sacred Heart Cathedral and they can be found at mostly all of their council activities. Congratulations to Tim and his family for all they do and congratulations on receiving honors of

“Family of the Month” from the Father Thomas F. Price Council 2546 Raleigh.

GK Rich Ferraro and Field Agent Tim Kilpatrick

Your Council News Should Be Here!
Hear Ye, Hear Ye!

Who: Padre Leon
NC State Chaplain

What: Installation as Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish

Where: Whiteville, NC

When: 11:30 Mass
September 23, 2007

State Officers, Directors and Chairman,
Brother Knights and Sir Knights in Regalia
Should Plan On Attending
More Details Later....
LAMB Foundation of NC, Inc.

Operation LAMB Training sessions will take place at the Mid Year Meetings.

The LAMB session at the Organization Meetings covered the following Manual changes:
Deposit ALL Corporate Checks using Council’s Wachovia deposit slips.
Donors may request a receipt for all cash contributions, email Angelo for blank copies. angelo@ec.rr.com
Apron Orders
Increase in Handling Charge, change from $6.25 to $9.00.
Do Not send copies of deposit slips to the State LAMB Director, Angelo
If you need Candy or Apron Order Forms email Angelo angelo@ec.rr.com

We shared successes, what will make OP LAMB better?
Brothers, what should we include in the Mid Year Training Session?
How can we make it better?
If you were not present, please let me know your thoughts, by emailing Angelo: angelo@ec.rr.com

OP LAMB Forms due dates are:
OP LAMB 1, as soon as possible
OP LAMB 2, December 31, 2007
OP LAMB 3, February 1, 2008

2007 LAMB Council Goals
Goals will be 1.04% of your total deposits in 2006.
If you need help in identifying your goal please email Angelo. angelo@ec.rr.com
I am here to help you succeed.
Angelo 910-201-1048

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