

Chaplaincy Log - March 2009

- 1- Chaplain Dewey responded to offer support to the family of a victim of a traffic fatality – attempted to comfort the family.
- 2- Chaplain Farmer was notified by the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) of a death by suicide – provided comfort and counseling to the victim’s spouse. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Raney gave the opening prayer at the Charleston County Rescue Squad.
- 3- Chaplain Dashnaw was notified by the Charleston Police Department (CPD) of a death by suicide – said prayers and ministered to the victim’s friends and neighbors. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, and along with Chaplain Dewey attended the Tri-County Victim Advocate’s meeting and training. The CCC was notified by EMS of a shooting – notified the MUSC Chaplain, and was notified by EMS of a car accident with injuries – notified the MUSC Chaplain.
- 4- Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Dewey had a pre-marriage counseling session with a first responder and their fiancé, made a hospital visit, and along with Chaplain Driggers met with the North Charleston Police Department (NCPD) Command Staff – many thanks to them for their long time support of the CCC. Chaplains Dewey, Robinson, Youngblood, Driggers, Jones, Farmer, Ott, O’Connell, Raney, Schwarz, Smith, Owens, Holz, Foster, Brown, Refson, Board Members John Keener, Emily Burrous, President Emeritus Don Lundy, Survivor Follow Up Members Joann and Mike McSherry, Rick Dandridge, Office Manager Claire Gatlin, Director of Development Jean McDowell, Assistant Chief Frank Finley from the Charleston Fire Department and guest speaker Charleston Fire Department Chief Thomas Carr attended the monthly Chaplains breakfast.
- 5- Chaplain Driggers had a pre-marriage counseling session with a civilian couple, and along with Chaplain Dewey had a meeting with CPD Chief Greg Mullen – many thanks to him for his continued support! Chaplain Dewey made a visit to an inmate in the Detention Center. The CCC co-hosted a wine-tasting and dinner with The Woodlands in Summerville - with over 30 people in attendance, guests rediscovered The Woodlands after its major renovation and learned about the CCC and how to become involved.
- 6- Chaplain Youngblood did a ride-along with the Charleston County Sheriff’s Office (CCSO) Marine Division, and gave the opening prayer at the Law Enforcement Network Meeting. Chaplain Dewey gave the invocation and benediction for the graduation ceremony for the Department of Homeland Security’s Immigration and Custom’s Enforcement Academy. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, officiated a wedding for the granddaughter of a retired first responder, and along with Chaplain Dewey made a home visit.

7- Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian. Chaplain Raney did a ride-along with the Charleston County Rescue Squad.

8- Chaplain Youngblood attended an officer appreciation celebration for an officer that was shot several weeks ago. Chaplain Robinson was notified by the CCSO of an unknown death – ministered to the victim’s roommate and worked with emergency responders at the scene.

9- Chaplain Schwarz was notified by the Dorchester County Sheriff’s Office (DCSO) of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s family at the scene and worked with emergency responders. Chaplain Raney did a ride-along with the NCPD. Chaplain Driggers was notified by the NCPD of a person in cardiac arrest – ministered to the victim’s family and friends and notified the St. Francis Chaplain that the person was being transported. Chaplains Dewey and Driggers attended the Memorial Service in Georgetown for Spencer Guerry who was murdered 15 years ago – Chaplain Dewey prayed and gave a speech, and along with Chaplain Driggers visited two Georgetown churches who are partnering with the CCC for Crisis response in Georgetown as well as the Coast Guard Base to visit with personnel.

10- Chaplain Farmer gave the opening prayer at the Charleston County Rescue Squad meeting. Chaplain Temoney did a ride-along with the Mount Pleasant Police Department (MPPD). Chaplain Driggers made a hospital visit, and had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Dewey had Kevin Koscoe as a ride-along – responded to an overdose, was notified by EMS that an emergency responder was being transported to the hospital – responded to check on him, and was notified by the NCPD and EMS of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s family. The Friends of the Chaplaincy were hosted for lunch by Walt Martin and Lewis Lee at Mt. Presbyterian Church - those present wished Charles Fox good luck on his bike ride across American in an effort to raise funds for the CCC, and they brainstormed about new fundraising ideas. This year the Friends of the Chaplaincy will focus on kicking off the first annual Chaplaincy Day on the weekend before Thanksgiving.

11- Chaplain Foster gave the invocation at the Law Enforcement Planning Committee Meeting, and did a ride-along with the NCPD. Chaplain Dashnaw did a ride-along with the NCPD. The CCC was notified by the Berkeley County School District that a student passed away – notified the Berkeley Crisis Chaplaincy. Chaplain Dewey was requested by the MUSC Chaplain to notify a family that their relative was in the hospital – responded to the home with an officer. Chaplains Dewey and Driggers met with command staff at the NCPD, attended the Sea Hawk meeting, had a meeting with Captain Roger Heaton of SLED NOAA, and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

12- Chaplain Farmer was notified by the Folly Beach Police Department and EMS of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s family at the scene. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder, and attended the SC Episcopal Diocese convention service and reception as a delegate.

13- Chaplain Driggers attended the SC Episcopal Diocese Convention as a delegate, and had a counseling session with a first responder.

14- Chaplain Driggers was notified by EMS and the South Carolina Highway Patrol (SCHP) of an accident with fatalities – notified the MUSC Chaplain and ministered with first responders and the victims and their families at the hospital, made two hospital visits, and had a counseling session with a first responder. Chaplain Brown was notified by the NCPD of a natural death – prayed with and comforted the victim’s family.

15- Chaplain Refson did a ride-along with the MPPD. Chaplain Farmer was notified by the CCSO of a natural death – attempted to comfort the victim’s family and friends. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder, and was notified by the NCPD and EMS of a natural death – responded to the scene and ministered to the victim’s family.

16- Chaplain Dewey had a counseling session with a civilian.

17- Chaplain Jones was notified by the NCPD of a death by suicide – attempted to comfort the victim’s family and contacted the SPCA to provide care for the victim’s pets. Chaplain Dewey made a home visit, made a hospital call, along with Chaplain Dashnaw was requested by the NCPD to be with them when they put down two police dogs, and along with Chaplain Driggers attended a Family Support Center for Mass Casualties Meeting.

18- Chaplain Driggers was notified by the CPD of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s friends at the scene, and was notified by the MPPD of a death by suicide – ministered to first responders at the scene.

19- Chaplain Driggers had two counseling sessions with emergency responders.

20- Chaplain Dewey was notified by EMS and the MPPD of a death by suicide – attempted to comfort the victim’s family, and made a home visit.

21- Chaplain Farmer spoke to a class about the CCC at Webster University. Chaplain Dewey had a pre-marriage counseling session with a family member of a first responder, was notified by EMS and the MPPD of a death by suicide – attempted to comfort the victim’s family, made a home visit, and was notified by EMS of a natural death – attempted to comfort the family.

22- Chaplain O’Connell was notified by the NCPD of a motorcycle fatality – ministered to the victim’s family, notified the MUSC Chaplain as another victim was being transported, and assisted the Coroner in making the death notification. The CCC was notified by the SCHP of a traffic fatality – notified the Berkeley Crisis Chaplaincy, was notified by EMS that a person had attempted death by suicide and was being transported to the Trauma Center – notified the MUSC Chaplain, and was notified by the SCHP of a traffic fatality – notified the Colleton County Chaplain. Chaplain Dewey had a counseling session with a woman who is in a bad relationship – connected her with assistance through the NCPD’s Victim Advocates.

23- Chaplain Farmer was notified by the Isle of Palms Fire Department (IOPFD) that a man had a heart attack – attempted to comfort the victim’s family. Chaplain Dashnaw worked with the NCPD regarding a possible kidnapping – assisted the victim’s family and emergency personnel at the scene. Chaplain Driggers attended an Incident Command Systems Class. Chaplain Temoney was notified by EMS and the MPPD of a death by suicide – attempted to comfort the victim’s family. Chaplain Dewey was notified by the CPD that a woman was being held hostage by her boyfriend – thankfully all was resolved safely and the man was taken to the Detention Center and she was taken to MUSC as she had been slightly injured – notified the MUSC Chaplain and responded to visit her as well, attended the monthly Survivor Follow Up meeting, made a hospital call, and along with Chaplain Youngblood was notified by EMS and the CPD of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s family at the scene.

24- Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a civilian, and completed the Incident Command Systems Class.

25- Chaplain Schwarz did a ride-along with the NCPD. Chaplain Holz did a ride-along with the CFD. Chaplain Ott did a ride-along with the MPPD. Chaplain Dewey was in the procession for installation/ordination of Robert Guglielmone who is the new Catholic Bishop of Charleston, and had a counseling session with a civilian. Chaplain Driggers did a ride-along with the Charleston Fire Department (CFD), and had a counseling session with a civilian. The CCC was notified by EMS of an accident with injuries – notified the MUSC Chaplain.

26- Chaplain Robinson did a ride-along with Folly Beach Public Safety (FBPS). Chaplain Farmer gave the invocation at the Tri-County Fire Chief’s meeting. Board Members Emily Burrous, Jan Waring-Woods, Don Lundy, Spencer Lynch, Cindy Daniel, John Bryan, Jeff Pulley, Pam Pearce, John Keener, Harry Sewell, and Charles Huff, Chaplain Dewey, Director of Development Jean McDowell, and Office Manager Claire Gatlin attended the monthly board meeting. Chaplain Dewey made a visit to an inmate at the Detention Center, made a home visit to the family of a former CPD officer that died, and attended the Divas for Dollars party which raised \$905 for the CCC – many thanks to Kathleen Martin for hosting this wonderful event! Chaplain Driggers attended a Neighborhood of Promise Meeting at the Charleston County School Board, was notified by EMS and the CPD of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s family and notified their pastor Rev. Robert Reid, assisted an individual in contacting a loved one stationed in the Military in Florida to notify him of his father being in the hospital, had a counseling session with a first responder, and assisted a first responder with a wellness check. The CCC was notified by the SCHP of an accident in Beaufort County – notified the Beaufort County Chaplain, and was notified by the SCHP of an accident in Dorchester County – notified the MUSC Chaplain that the victim was being transported.

27- Chaplain Dewey presided at the funeral service for former CPD Officer Eric McInnes, had a counseling session with a civilian, and along with Chaplain Driggers attended the first quarter retirement ceremony for the CPD. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder.

28- Chaplain Dewey was notified by the CPD and EMS of a traffic fatality – attempted to comfort the victim’s family at the scene, along with Chaplain Farmer was notified by the Coast Guard that a boater was missing – ministered to the victim’s family and thankfully he was found and returned safely, and along with Chaplain Raney was notified by the NCPD and EMS of a traffic fatality with two victims – notified the MUSC Chaplain as one person was transferred, worked with emergency responders at the scene and assisted the coroner in making the death notification. Chaplain Raney did a ride-along with the Charleston County Deputy Coroner and assisted with a natural death.

29- Chaplain Dewey was notified by EMS of a death by suicide – ministered with emergency personnel at the scene and assisted the Coroner in making the death notification, and had a counseling session with a civilian.

30- Chaplain Owens did a ride-along with the CPD. Chaplain Brown did a ride-along with the NCPD. Chaplain Dewey made a home visit. Chaplain Driggers had a counseling session with a first responder.

31- Chaplain O’Connell did a ride-along with EMS. Chaplain Carter did a ride-along with the CPD, and was notified by the CPD of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s family. Chaplain Smith did a ride-along with the CPD. Chaplain Farmer was notified by the MPPD of a natural death – ministered to the victim’s family. Chaplains Driggers and Dewey had a meeting with Coast Guard Commander King and Chaplain Bezey. The CCC was notified by the CCSO of a shooting – notified the MUSC Chaplain that the victim was being transported. Chaplain Schwarz was notified by the NCPD of a death by suicide – ministered to bystanders at the scene.

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Many thanks to Glenda Dantzler of the Charleston County Sheriff’s Office for printing our log this month! If you, your congregation, company, or organization would like to print the log next month or any month in the future, please call 724-1212. **Thank you!**

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