Graduation 2015

Four Horsemen Make Tracks

T-D's Graduation ceremony was preceded by some hijinks. With 250 guests or so inside the church, activities outside the church drew lots of attention. Commencement 2015 would be an unforgettable event.

Arriving simultaneously, were four horses and four motorcycles. The horses were then mounted by graduating seniors, Andrew Telesco, Alex Rudnitsky, Dylan Pizzo, and Jonathan Romano to begin their ride-outta there. All are T-D lifers, having attended the school for 13 years starting with kindergarten through 12th grade. Andrew Telesco rode his white stallion, Mystic, down Forest, appropriately named, and met his dad and four bikers.

T-D's "horsemen" next mounted the motorcycles-with somewhat less trepidation. The four flabbergasted seniors became "easy riders" and with their gowns flapping and their caps under helmets did a 360 around the church. In a matter of minutes, four of T-D's newest alumni had become experienced equestrians and Harley Heads. Remember, it took 13 very lucky years to achieve this. Anytime one of them hears, "and their off!" or "Gentlemen, start your engines." there is sure to be a broad smile as they remember these surreal moments.

T-D's four horsemen bring to mind the Four Horsemen of Notre Dame's Fighting Irish Football team. Coincidently, T-D was honoring Dan Skendzel, his wife Carrie, and their children for their 24/7 hospitality. Dan and Carrie are both part of the Notre Dame University family and have made working for the university a life-long calling.

T-D has visited the Skendzels in South Bend, Indiana, at least once a year, for about two decades. It is the way every T-D football weekend begins and cheers of Go Irish are always heard within their home and throughout the neighborhood.

It seems only appropriate that the Skendzels have four children or, with your indulgence, four broncos preparing to be special steeds. With T-D's four horsemen and Skendzel's four inspiring ones, the Four Horsemen Legend lives on.