

GOOD KNIGHT NEWS

Newsletter of the Bernard Quinn Council #11710
Knights of Columbus

July 2009

“As Knights We Come Together in Prayer and Service”



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In this month of July 2009, we celebrate the 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th Sundays in Ordinary Time. Our readings for these Sundays remind us of the following:

“A prophet is not without honor except in his native place.”

“Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two.”

“Jesus and the disciples when off in the boat by themselves.”

“And Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining.”

“Please celebrate these themes actively in your commitment as Knights to come together in prayer and service.”

- From the New ... Saint Joseph Sunday Missal, Prayer book and Hymnal for 2009

COUNCIL CHARTER PARISH

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
823 Park Ave.
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Rev. Patrick Golden – Rector
Rev. Mr. Marshall Banks, MD, Deacon
Rev. Mr. J. Brian Bergen, Deacon
Andre Basmajian – Grand Knight 2009-2010
Ken Oriole, Deputy Grand Knight 2009-2010
Mike Ribakov – Past Grand Knight 2008-09

ROUNDTABLE PARISH

Saint Peter Church
800 East Grace Street
Richmond, VA 23219
Rev. Robert A. Brownell, Pastor

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE REPRESENTATIVE

Clarence Vaughn

Message from our Grand Knight Andre Basmajian:

Greetings and Happy Summer to Brother Knights and their families. Hope you are well and that you were able to successfully usher in our nation's birthday on July 4, 2009. Counting from 1776, this would make #233!

In this first Newsletter of the 2009-2010 Fraternal Year I welcome each and every member, active, and inactive [dues paid and dues not paid] and family members. The 2009-2010 year is off and running. First things first, the first Officers' meeting occurred on Monday night, July 13, 2009. It was held at St. Peter Church. Thanks to our Round Table Parish and Pastor Father Bob Brownell for his devotion to support our Council and house our administrative and organizational activities. We are most appreciative of the generosity of St. Peter to our Bernard J. Quinn Council. Our first Council meeting is scheduled for Monday night, July 20, 2009, at 7 pm in the Parish Hall of St. Peter. I am hopeful that we can begin with some prayers [Rosary] around 6:45 p.m.

We also share our joy and enthusiasm for the Cathedral Parish and its Pastoral Council, which held its first meeting of the new operating year and to Rector Father Patrick Golden; Our best to Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council Chair Lori Klein Gardner as she kicks off a new year of wonderful plans and activities for Cathedral Parish.

Our Council is honored to have members of our families serving in various capacities on Cathedral Parish Pastoral Council and St. Peter's Parish Council; Our best to them in their endeavors for this upcoming year.

As to State functions, the Knights of Columbus Virginia State Council (VSC) held its first organization meeting on the weekend of July 10-12, 2009. It was held at St. Gregory's School (St. Benedict Council 9056) in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Our deepest gratitude and thanks to Past State Deputy Kelly Mortensen for his service to the VSC

and our best wishes for our new State Deputy Pat O'Donnell in his service to the VSC.

In order to encourage interest and participation in such functions, I am taking the liberty to share the agenda for the Saturday meeting held July 11, 2009 so our Council members can see a topical listing of the activities addressed during this first organizational meeting. I encourage the general Council membership to attend one of the remaining 3 meetings with me, during the balance of this Fraternal Year of 2009-2010.

Saturday, July 11, 2009

9:00 a.m. Call to Order

State Warden's Report on Membership – Tony Fortunato.

LOV Officers/State Officer Wives escorted in Presentation of Colors

Pledge of Allegiance – Richie Head, PSD, Master

9:10 a.m. Opening Prayer & Rosary – Father Ready, Associate State Chaplain

9:30 a.m. Installation of Ladies of Virginia Officers

9:45 a.m. LOV Officers/State Officer Wives escorted out

9:45 a.m. State Officer Reports

State Deputy – Pat O'Donnell

State Chaplain – Father Ready, Associate State Chaplain

State Secretary – Bill McCarthy

State Treasurer – Ron Gorman

State Advocate – Tommy Harger

State Warden – Tony Fortunato

Immediate Past State Deputy – Kelly J.

Mortensen, PSD

Executive Secretary – Jack Michalski, PSD

Master of the Fourth Degree – Richie Head, PSD, Master

General Agents - Jim Ulmer/Harry

Canter/Kevin Choate

10:30 - 10:40 a.m. Break

10:40 – 12:30 a.m. Membership – Membership staff

12:30 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch

1:15 – 2:20 p.m. Break for Seminars

District Deputies/Grand Knights – (remain in main hall)

Tidewater Seminar (Location TBD)

Central and Southwest Virginia (Location TBD)

Northern Virginia (Location TBD)
2:20 p.m. PSD Committee – Cy Alba, PSD
Convention 2010 – Chris Winston, FDD
Father McGivney Guild – Chris Winston,
FDD
Audit and Finance Committee – John
Barrett, PSD
Supreme Representative – J. P. McCusker,
Regional Program Consultant
Closing Remarks, Pat O'Donnell, State
Deputy
Closing Prayer, Father Ready, Associate State
Chaplain
3:00 p.m. Adjournment

OFFICER'S ROLE'S

I also believe it is helpful for the Council to revisit the description of the Officer's role and for that reason, I am including in this Newsletter the narrative explanation distributed by the State Council.

GRAND KNIGHT:

Serves as the Chief Executive and Administrative Officer of this Council.

Presides over all Council meetings and shall enforce the rules and regulations of the council and the laws or the Order.

Serves as chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Appoints committees and serves as ex officio chairman of all them.

Serves as Chaplain in his absence.

Countersigns orders and checks drawn and signed by the Financial Secretary for payment of money approved by the council and by the Trustees.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT:

Shall preside in the absence or inability of the Grand Knight.

Shall perform such other duties as the order may impose.

CHANCELLOR:

Shall assist the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight in the performance of their respective duties.

Shall preside in the absence or inability of the Grand Knight or Deputy Grand Knight.

Shall be charged with the total participation of the membership in the activities of the council.

Shall perform other duties as directed by the Grand Knight.

RECORDER:

Shall keep records of the transactions executed at all regular and special meeting of the council upon books approved by the Board of Directors and furnished by Supreme.

Shall conduct all correspondence of the council.

Shall perform other duties as directed by the Grand Knight.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

Shall collect and receive all moneys due the council, and all funds obtained from any source, by or through any person or persons, acting for or in the name of the council or under the direction or authority, or in which any representation is made in any way that such activity is a council activity.

Shall keep accounts of the indebtedness of each member and each certificate holder and the amount received from each and the purpose for which it was received. Precise payments are to be recorded. Track and advise the Grand Knight of members in arrears.

Shall transfer all moneys received by the council to the treasurer and obtain a receipt for the exact amount transferred and the purpose for which it was received.

Shall maintain complete and accurate records of all members of the council.

Shall require every candidate to subscribe his name subjecting himself to the constitution and by-laws of the order and of the council.

Shall notify the Supreme Secretary of the names and addresses of all council officers.

Shall keep records of the financial and business transactions of the council

Shall draw all orders on the treasurer.

Shall notify Supreme of suspensions.

Shall keep complete and accurate records of the council.

Shall notify Grand Knights of other councils when members of that Grand Knight's council receives degrees in the Financial Secretary's council.

Shall keep the seal of the council.

Shall notify the comptroller of the Fourth degree Assembly of any membership activity in the council that affects the assembly membership.

Shall perform all other activities required by the laws of his council and the Order and the rules of the Board of Directors.

TREASURER:

Serves as Custodian of all funds obtained by the Council obtained from any source, by or through any person or persons acting for or in the name of the council.

Receives all money at each meeting or between meetings from the Financial Secretary and generating a receipt specifying the exact amount and the reason for the council receiving the funds.

Deposits funds in a bank or other secure institution of deposit and obtain a receipt indicating the amount of the deposit.

Pays all orders drawn on the council, including bill to Supreme that are signed by the Financial Secretary and countersigned by the Grand Knight.

Maintains an account for all expenses.

Maintains a file for all orders drawn on the Council.

LECTURER:

Provides enjoyable, informative, and educational programs for the Council.

ADVOCATE:

Represents the Council in all fraternal legal affairs in which the Council may be involved.

WARDEN:

Shall be present at the start of all meetings and is responsible for all of the Council's property and its condition, Council's money and records are not within his responsibility. He instructs the guards of their duties and performs other duties as required by the Council.

GUARDS:

Guards maintain order and security of the Council Chamber

TRUSTEES:

Trustees shall have supervision of all the financial business of the council and their approval shall be necessary for all payments of the Council except orders from Supreme, the State, Benefit fund monies regular and usual payments of the Council and payments authorized by the Council after notice and voted in accordance with Section 122.

They shall Audit the books of the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer every six months during the months of July and January and report their finding to the Council, The State Deputy, District Deputy and Supreme.

They shall see that the Financial Secretary and Secretary are bonded at an amount fixed by the Trustees and shall be the custodian of the bond.

They shall perform other duties as required by the Grand Knight, District Deputy and the State Deputy.



OTHER NEWS:

Please remember those Brother Knights sick and in recovery and those born to eternal life. For this month of July, please remember Past Grand Knight and Sir Knight Frederick Gresham, Sr.

In Remembrance:

The following is my special note of remembrance and thanks. Thank you for your prayers and expressions of support for the family of Past Grand Knight and Sir Knight Frederick Gresham Sr. For those able to make visitation on Tuesday evening, July 14, 2009, it was a special tribute to view family pictures of our Worthy Past Grand Knight in so many stages of his life. We give thanks to Frederick for all his service, his service to his country by serving in the military and proudly wearing his Vietnam Veteran's cap; his service to his faith-based community; his service to family and to human kind. Thank you Brother Knight Frederick for exemplifying the very best of a Knight of Columbus. May you enjoy birth to eternal life – forever! Peace to you and your family.

In our Prayers:

Please also keep Rev. Marshall Banks, M.D. Deacon, in your prayers, as he prepares for and hopefully undergoes successful surgery in August 2009, at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland.

Service, Fundraising and Fellowship:

Please welcome both service opportunities and fundraising opportunities planned for this fraternal year. Fund raising plans will begin immediately. I also intend for the Council to enjoy fellowship as Brother Knights and as Council families. More details will follow, e.g. – putt putt golf; driving range golf; Sunday brunch.

Birthdays:

Birthday greetings to those brother knights who celebrate a great occasion in this month of July.

New Committee:

Roster updating continues. Thank you to so many Knights who have responded to the outreach by our four-member committee, Eustaquio Devilla, Reggie Philips, Clarence Vaughan and myself.

Parish Picnic:

Thanks to those Brother Knights able to volunteer and help with the Parish Picnic celebrating the Sacred Heart Feast Day. Congratulations to Past Grand Knight Michael Ribakov, sons Alex and Mike and certainly to Hospitality Chair Linda Ribakov for such a wonderful inaugural event. Well done to you!

Marriages:

On a personal note, many thanks for the kind expressions and happy intentions expressed for the happy occasion of Brother Knight Aaron Basmajian, was married to Ashley Ring at Cathedral on Saturday, June 20, 2009.

St. Peter 's Church:

Please try to attend Noon Service at St. Peter during the week. This is a wonderful time to take a deep breath and enjoy the presence of God as brought to us by Father Bob Brownell.

Continue to remember this year as the 175th Anniversary celebration year of St. Peter Church, the first Cathedral in this Diocese.

Knight's Families:

Recognizing the many contributions of our their Knights and family members to Cathedral and St. Peter. Please remember to extend your hand to Brother Knights who so gladly accept the responsibilities associated with the many ministries for which we volunteer and serve. You contribute to the spirituality of our parish at Cathedral and our Roundtable Parish, St. Peter. You enrich the community as a whole. Each of you is commended! You are gifts to all of us. Thanks to you & your families for such wonderful examples of God With Us. It is beautiful!

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Grand Knight for this Fraternal Year of 2009-2010. And for our Worthy Past Grand Knight Michael Ribakov, a big "THANK YOU" for serving our Council during the 2008-2009 fraternal year.

Finally, please be on the lookout for a message from Ken Oriole as the Deputy Grant Knight for 2009-2010. His first message will appear in our August Newsletter.

VIVAT JESUS.

Andre Basmajian

Grand Knight

2009-2010

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GK – Ken Oriole

GK Alt – Primo Banks

PGK Alt – Chris Habenicht

Tentative dates for Officers Meetings and Council Meetings

M-07/13/09 M-07/20/09
M-08/10/09 M-08/17/09
M-09/14/09 M-09/21/09

T-10/13/09* M-10/19/09
M-11/09/09 M-11/16/09
M-12/07/09* S-12/13/09*

M-01/11/10 T-01/19/10*
T-02/09/10* T-02/15/10
M-03/08/10 M-03/22/10

M-04/12/10 M-04/19/10
T-05/11/10* T-05/18/10*
M-06/14/10 M-06/21/10

Editors Note:

Please forward any news you would like to see in the Newsletter, prior to the 10th on the month and I will make every attempt to include it. Family news is welcome.

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