

GOOD KNIGHT NEWS

Newsletter of the Bernard Quinn Council #11710
Knights of Columbus

September – October 2009

“As Knights We Come Together in Prayer and Service”



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Message from our Grand Knight Andre Basmajian:

Greetings and hope everyone has enjoyed these last two special months of holidays and celebrations. In September, Labor Day and the beginning of the Autumn – Fall Season and in October, our namesake, Columbus Day along with looking forward to Halloween and All Saints and All Souls Day. Great celebrations.

I hope and pray that the Brother Knights and their families are paying special attention to the advice from health care providers as we further enter the flu season. Please keep us informed of illnesses and requests for prayers.

As you know, our prayer list has been active. I ask that each of us prays on behalf of our Brother Knights and their families. Please pray on behalf of the following: Brother Knight and Rev. Deacon Marshall Banks; Brother Knight and Past Grand Knight Greg Neylan; family members of Al Baird, Ralph Hyatt, Ken Oriole, Reggie Philips, and for

COUNCIL CHARTER PARISH

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
823 Park Ave.
Richmond, VA 23220-4764
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

those Past Knights who have entered eternal life, from the Dodd family and from the Gresham family.

In this combined issue of the Newsletter for September & October, in the 2009-2010 Fraternal Year, I again extend a welcome to each and every member on our roster, active, and inactive [dues paid and dues not paid] and family members. Please consider reactivating your membership, including paying dues. [You can contact me and I can pass along your dues check to our Financial Secretary, etc.] I encourage the membership to respond favorably to service opportunities and we have several exciting ones. In the next weeks, we will be promoting our Christmas Card program; our Food Pantry for Thanksgiving; and our Brunswick Stew. We also plan on having our Fall picnic on Sunday, November 8, 2009. More information on each of these activities in support of fundraising and fellowship will be forthcoming in email messages to the membership.

There is a call for Brother Knights to serve as Ushers at the special Mass at Cathedral in honoring our most recent Saint on Thursday, October 29, 2009. Those interested and able to dress in formal attire, please let me know via email through our link on the Cathedral webpage. I will pass the information onto Frank Curran, who is helping in this regard.

Finally, please visit our link on the Cathedral web site to see and read information about our Council, the Cathedral and St. Peter, our Roundtable Parish.

For your information, our most recent Officers' meeting occurred on Tuesday night, October 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. The meeting started promptly at 6:30 p.m. and we were successful in addressing each of the items as planned on the agenda. The October Council meeting will be followed by a dinner meal prepared by Brother Joel Keith. Please plan on attending as his dinner sounds like it will be a treat, just

as we have come to enjoy the fellowship resulting from the dinners prepared by PGK, Brother Peter Hains

I am intending that we again begin with some prayers [one decade of the Rosary] with the intention of praying for the improved health of members of our Council and our family and for our Priests who are participating in the week-long convocation with the Bishop.

As to State functions, please remember to visit the site of the Knights of Columbus Virginia State Council (VSC) to be aware of the activities within our Commonwealth.



OTHER NEWS:

Please look out for email messages and posting to our K of C link on the Cathedral webpage as we implement our upcoming programs and fundraising activities.

Service, Fundraising and Fellowship

Please welcome both service opportunities and fundraising opportunities planned for this fraternal year. Congratulations to our Co-Chairs and Event Coordinators, Brother Greg Daye and Roberto Cassassonvas on a wonderful and successful fundraiser – our Fall Bingo in September 2009. The turnout was estimated at double that of the initial Bingo event and the credit is given to each and every knight and their family members for making this activity such a meaningful fellowship gathering. We received a wonderful “*Thank You*” note which I will share with the membership. I have already been asked about our “next” bingo fundraiser. Good work all around!

In the area of providing the Council opportunities to enjoy fellowship as Brother Knights and as Council families, please note that our social for the November is the traditional Fall picnic, scheduled for Sunday, November 8, 2009. More details will follow via email [what to bring and which Park, etc.]. Other opportunities to follow include Sunday Brunch at Feathernesters in Lakeside, bowling at one of the local bowling establishments oriented to family fun activities, etc. Should you have a thought about a social, please share it with the membership and send to the K of C email address on our page in the Cathedral website.

Birthdays

Birthday greetings to those brother knights who celebrate a great occasion in this month of October 2009.

Roster updating - - Please be on the lookout for email messages asking each of you about your ministry and the Mass you ordinarily attend, including those members attending service at St. Peter Church. I am now trying to expand the roster to include information about Knights who we can have teams of volunteers serve various responsibilities at Masses which they normally attend. I am hopeful that each of you will respond and provide the requested information to help us engage each and every member in a meaningful way.

Our Financial Secretary continues to work on "catch-up" messages for 2009 dues. Please be on the look-out for correspondence on this subject as well. It will be addressed to our membership to enable us all to be current with our dues for 2009. Please help us and respond to these communications.

Introductions

On a personal note, I want to share that our third son, Alden and his wife Kimmie, are proud parents of their first child, a girl, Addison Jane Basmajian, who was born July 23, 2009, 6 lb 1 oz. Each is now a big 3-month old infant. All are getting acquainted and doing well.

St. Peter's Church

Regarding St. Peter Church, our Roundtable Parish – 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.

Thank yous

Recognizing the many contributions of our other 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 the support you have given me to date as your Grand Knight in this plus of Fraternal Year of 2009-2010.

VIVAT JESUS.

Andre Basmajian

Grand Knight

2009-2010

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GK – Ken Oriole

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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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