

The Handout



Oct-Dec 2009

Good Samaritan Council 6175

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From the Desk of the Grand Knight:

Your council had a busy schedule in the first quarter of the fraternal year. In July we hosted a picnic lunch following a Sepcial Olympics softball game and held our Pass the Gavel Dinner. During August we sponsored a food booth at the first Catholic Heritage Day. Also during the month, ten new members received the honors of the First Degree, including five sons of current members. And our Redskins ticket raffle raised almost \$2,000 for the council (the winner was Gary McCarty of Leesburg). In September we supported our parishes during their annual picnics and participated in the District Fall Fest. Thanks to everyone who made the past quarter a successful one.

Our monthly council awards were presented to the following Knights (see www.goodsams.org):

Month	Knight of the Month	Family of The Month
July	John Reaser	Dan, Maria, and Liam Cahill
August	Everett Barnes	John, Mary Ann, and Christopher Thomas
September	Steve Schultz	Mike and Cyndi Leddy

We also received sad news with the passing of three Brother Knights, Bill "Wojo" Furlong, Charlie Barbour, and Bob Mica. They were honorary life members of the Order with a combined 143 years of service. We pray for the repose of their souls, and extend condolences to their families. On Thursday, November 19 at the Barn we will remember all of our departed Brothers at the annual Memorial Mass.

On Saturday, October 10 we hold one of our signature events, the Columbus Day Parade. It begins at 10 AM at Park View High School, proceeds down Sterling Boulevard to Holly Avenue, and concludes with a community cookout at the Barn. We need many volunteers to make this event run smoothly. Please consider helping if you are able. PGK John Reaser is the parade chairman. There is parade information on our website including a list of units scheduled to participate and other details. This year we will certainly miss and remember Bill Furlong, who coordinated the parade for 25 years.

Your council hosts a monthly breakfast on the second Sunday of each month from 8 to 11:30 AM at the Barn. The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. The one price includes everything in our breakfast buffet. Also, Friday Night dinners are held with a different menu each week for \$10 to \$12 with "attitude adjustment" prices at the bar. Orders are taken between 6:30 and 7:30 PM. We try to make our breakfast and dinners a good value compared with most restaurants. Come and enjoy the delicious food, friendly atmosphere, and support your council at the same time.

Bingo at the Barn is held every Tuesday night. Doors open at 6:00 PM and games start at 7:30. We're always looking for more help and new players. Contact bingo manager Everett Barnes if you have questions or would like to volunteer for one evening per month.

Our Chaplain, Fr. Pat Kelly, plans to hold an Advent Retreat on Saturday December 5 (details will be announced). This will be a good opportunity to pause and remember the true meaning of the Christmas season. Fr. Pat held a retreat last year and it was very worthwhile for those who attended. The council also plans to participate in the Leesburg Christmas parade on Saturday, December 12. This year the parade will be held at 10 AM instead of the evening. On Friday, December 18 we invite you to enjoy the Council Christmas Party and on Sunday, December 20 the Youth Christmas Party. We hope you can join us for at least one of these activities.

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Good Samaritan Council Calendar for October – November 2009

(Please see our website www.goodsams.org for weekly updates.)

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1 OCTOBER Business Meeting 8:00 (Rosary 7:30)	2 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	3 State Council quarterly meeting in Fairfax 9-2
4 St. Joseph Church Breakfast (see note below)	5	6 Bingo 7:30 TEAM D	7 Seniors Group Lunch	8 C&A Club Board Meeting 7:30	9 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	10 COLUMBUS DAY PARADE IN STERLING 10-Noon
11 Breakfast at the Barn 8-11:30 Blood Drive at St. Joseph 8-1 KOC Day at Kings Dominion	12 COLUMBUS DAY	13 Bingo 7:30 TEAM A	14	15	16 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	17
18	19	20 Bingo 7:30 TEAM B	21 Seniors Group Lunch	22 First Degree 8:00	23 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	24
25 Youth Halloween Party -Details TBA Run for Vocations (see note below)	26	27 Bingo 7:30 TEAM C	28	29	30 STEAK NIGHT 6:30 Wear your costume for Halloween!	31 Halloween
1 NOVEMBER All Saints Day	2	3 Bingo 7:30 TEAM D	4 Seniors Group Lunch	5 Business Meeting 8:00 (Rosary 7:30)	6 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	7
8 Breakfast at the Barn 8-11:30	9	10 Bingo 7:30 TEAM A	11	12 C&A Club Board Meeting 7:30	13 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	14
15	16	17 Bingo 7:30 TEAM B	18 Seniors Group Lunch	19 Council Memorial Mass at Barn 8:00	20 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	21
22	23	24 Bingo 7:30 TEAM C	25	26 THANKSGIVING	27 STEAK NIGHT 6:30 Take a break from turkey!	28
29	30					

Sunday, October 4 – Rev. Jim Angert, Pastor of St. Joseph Church, will hold a Parishioner Appreciation Breakfast in the parish hall to celebrate the repayment of debt that was incurred to expand the facility. Our Council will provide manpower to make the event run smoothly. Contact the GK if you want to help.

Sunday, October 25 - Treasurer Rob Henry competes in the Marine Corps Marathon to benefit the “Run for Vocations” fund for seminarians in the Archdiocese of Washington (you can donate on their website: <http://www.adw.org/vocations/runforvocations.asp> or you may write a check to “Run for Vocations” and leave it in the treasurer’s mailbox at the Barn. Please support Rob’s effort to promote vocations!

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6	7	8 Bingo 7:30 TEAM A	9	10 C&A Club Board Meeting 7:30	11 Friday Night Dinner 6:30	12 Leesburg Christmas Parade 10 AM
13 Breakfast at the Barn 8-11:30	14	15 Bingo 7:30 TEAM B	16 Seniors Group Lunch	17 Second Degree 8:00	18 Council C&A Christmas Party 6:30	19
20 Youth Christmas Party 1:00-3:00	21	22 Bingo 7:30 TEAM C	23	24	25 CHRISTMAS No Friday Dinner	26
27	28	29 Bingo 7:30 TEAM D	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE		

MAJOR EVENTS COMING UP IN JANUARY:

Sunday, January 11: Breakfast at the Barn from 8:00 to 11:00. Come with your family and enjoy a delicious buffet. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

Monday, January 18: Youth Free Throw Contest at St. Joseph School Gym for boys and girls ages 10 through 14. Winners advance to District and State competitions. Pass the word if you know anyone who may be interested. Please contact the Grand Knight for more information.

Month of January: Tickets will be on sale for our Super Bowl Raffle to be held February 7.

GRAND KNIGHT'S LETTER CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1:

Council business meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 8:00 PM following the Rosary at 7:30. We try to finish by 9:15 and afterward you can enjoy fraternalism with your Brother Knights. Come and find out more about what's happening in your council.

If you're planning a special event, contact the Compass and Anchor Club rental agent Antonio Sossa at (571) 230-0149 or kcreceptions@yahoo.com. The C&A has a variety of packages with attractive prices. Consider The Barn to host your Christmas party! Also, you should make arrangements now for events planned in 2010.

Fraternally,

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