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Between You and John Garrido

Fred Sasaki February 1 at 1:22am
Hi John Garrido, III,
I received your reminder to vote on my car windshield! How can I help?
Regards,
Fred Sasaki

John Garrido February 1 at 8:32am
Contact your networks of friends, family and neighbors; get them out to vote. You can also stop by our campaign office at 5953 N. Elston to volunteer to help out with voter awareness. THANK YOU, we need all the help we can get.

Fred Sasaki February 1 at 10:30am
Great! These tough economic times needs good jobs and opportunity! I have a lot of friends and neighbors and my family is going to be so happy about this!!!
I'll come to your campaign office ASAP. What time will you be there?
Also, I have a lot of ideas. Making a big show and creating wild interest is my specialty. You could even call it my forte. I have a car (as you know, LOL) and as you saw it's very cute, smart, and eco-friendly (because of the gas mileage). I would like to harness a speaker to the top of the car and drive around saying, "VOTE Garrido" or "Garrido Garrido!" This will be so much a call to arms for citizens and people. I can do this all day today and tomorrow. Just please let's get moving so I can get moving! LOL!
I also have suits and costumes that are very advantageous for making people exited about voting. I can bring them to your office. Since I have so many I can let your other supporters wear them, too. I have Uncle Sam, Rosie the Riveter, Lucille Ball, Ronald Regan, and I even have a Gorilla Suit that I used a lot during the presidential election. It really works!
Let me know if I should get the loudspeaker first or drop off the costumes. Either way, I'm good to go.
Talk real soon,
Fred
Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 10:29 AM
From: Robert Lee <rob@garrido2010.com>
To: Fred Sasaki <fredsasaki@gmail.com>
Fred -

My name is Rob, and I'm the advisor for John's campaign. The biggest thing we need help with at this point is contacting voter and reminding them to get out and vote tomorrow. If you're willing to come to the campaign HQ and help us make phone calls, we'd greatly appreciate the help! We're open until 7 pm tonight, and 5 pm tomorrow.

My personal cell is [...] Call if you have questions, or would like to help.
- RL

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 10:41 AM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
Hi Rob,

I'm in touch with John about how I can help. First things first I'm going to hook up my car with a loudspeaker for voter chanting. The script I have is "Vote Garrido" and "Garrido Garrido!" If you have anything else you want me to say, please send that ASAP. I'm rehearsing all morning.

I'll be coming in to the headquarters with some costumes for voter motivation, too. It's going to be big news. I have a pretty big trunk, but not enough costumes for everyone. I'll go to my basement to see if I can scrape up some more Uncle Sam hats and American flag ties for the big show tomorrow, but the important thing is to get men on the street. I'm glad you caught me when you did! It's a dismal thing out there!

Do you want me to run down the list John and I discussed for voter inspiration?

Yours,
Fred

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Re: John Garrido added you as a friend on Facebook...
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 11:36 AM
From: Facebook
To: Fred Sasaki
  Hi Fred,
  John Garrido added you as a friend on Facebook. We need to confirm that
  you know John in order for you to be friends on Facebook.
  Thanks,
The Facebook Team
To confirm John as a friend: Add Friend

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 11:56 AM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki
  Frank -
  The biggest thing we need help with is the phone calls, so all of our volun-
  teers will be in here doing that. We appreciate the idea, though. Keep them
  comin’!
  As for the loud speaker, we’ll need to check and see what kind of sound
  ordinances are in place before doing that. I’m not familiar with Chicago, spe-
  cifically, but all other locations that I’ve campaigned (four different states
  OTHER than Illinois) has prevented something like that from happening.
  Again, the biggest thing we need help with is the phone calls. Everyone
  we’re calling has said they WILL vote, and are either going to vote for John
  or undecided yet. Directly contacting them and turning them out to the polls
  is critical, because the election will be so close.
  - RL

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Facebook message
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Between John Garrido and You
Fred Sasaki February 2 at 11:57am
  Hey John! I’m making great progress with Rob!
Meanwhile, what size do you wear? I’ve got some great outfits for you for the big day!

Fred

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 12:02 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
Rod,
I’m good with the telephone, but I will be much more valuable to you as a car driver saying voter inspiration or with my costumes. How many different costumes do you think you’ll need? Like I said, I have Uncle Sam, Rosie the Riveter, Lucille Ball, Ronald Regan, and then the Gorilla Suit. I can bring em by or have someone drop em off if you need em sooner.
I’ll get a loudspeaker hooked up and start making the rounds. My policy is do it now and apologize later. LOL! If you want to send me a route, that’s great. I’ll attack Michigan Avenue first on the agenda. How’s that sound?
Fred

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 12:32 PM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki
We don’t need any costumes here. Our volunteers will be contacting voters directly on the phones.
Please use discretion when using the loudspeaker. We’re in a close, CLOSE primary election—and we need to ensure that we do not create any legal headaches that may provide a last minute bump to our opponent. I’m still trying to get an answer on a sound ordinance, but we’d prefer you not conduct that type of Get Out the Vote activity until we do.
My apologies.
- RL

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 12:56 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee

Rod,

I LIKE your thinking! A little controversy is JUST what we need. I'll get on the horn immediately, while the other workers work the horn on your end. Fantastic.

I’ll still bring over the costumes as I am pretty sure you don’t understand how nice the costumes are. People will want to wear them when they see them. These aren’t the kiddie things with plastic masks that cut your lips. I’m talking about rental quality. The Lucy costume would go for $150–$200 per night in most stores.

This is great. I knew you guys were in it to win it! I’m so glad I’m hitching my wagon to this!!!!

“Get Out the Vote!!!!”

Fred

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 2:21 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee

PS. Are you guys working with a theme song or kind of campaign music? I’d like to have something playing through the speaker when I’m not talking.

I think I’ll play “Enter Sandman” because Metallica is Garrido’s favorite and the poem in it is perfect!

Exit, light
Enter, Night
Take my hand
we’re off to never-never land

OK? Leaving in a couple minutes. Let me know.

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FRED SASAKI
Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 3:41 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
Hello?
I was delayed a bit with the equipment but am back on track. I’ll head to HQ and pick you up?
Fred

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 3:49 PM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki
No, no. I need to stay with our volunteers team at HQ, and oversee the phone calls.
- RL
Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 3:53 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
You got it! How many people do you have ready to ride with me?
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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 4:02 PM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki
None. They’re all here making phone calls. This is your gig.
Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 4:16 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee

I don’t understand. I thought we were in this together? You are the one that asked ME to help YOU and Garrido in the first place! Where did that sticker on my car come from? Then when I wrote to you you were all excited about my driving around and the costumes and now all of a sudden when it’s GO time you tell me it’s MY gig? When people ask me around when I’m making the business what do you think I’m gonna say, “VOTE FOR FRED SASAKI”?

Of course not. I’m gonna say, “GARRIDO GARRIDO!” Just like you said me to. I need at least one person to hold the steering wheel when I’m driving around. Come on, I don’t want a fuss at HQ over this.

Fred

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 4:25 PM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki

Fred -

We appreciate the support, and the eagerness to help out the campaign. However, we are not condoning this type of get out the vote effort.

As earlier emails indicated, we’d prefer you NOT drive with the loud speaker. City laws probably won’t allow it, and we don’t want to distract people from John’s message of county reform. Moreover, our volunteers are contacting THOUSANDS of people on the phone in order to get them to the polls. I’m not taking them off their phones to drive around and blare a loud speaker.

Again, we appreciate the eagerness, but it’s not our campaign’s method of communicating to the voters.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 4:29 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
    You don't have to yell at me.

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 4:46 PM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki
    I'm simply emphasizing that our get out the vote efforts are very focused and targeted.
    - RL

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Mon, Feb 1, 2010 at 4:49 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
    My idea is very focused and targeted. I have my message, I have the costumes, and I have the map.
    Does Garrido know that you're missing out on this possibility?
    F

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Tue, Feb 2, 2010 at 11:26 AM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
    OK! I'm ready to go! Where do you need me today? Did you hear about my voter chanting in the streets last night? People were really excited! I got a lot of people raising their fists in support!
I can come down with the costumes to help with the telephones or make another round with my car. It's just that the snow messes up the speaker a little bit.
Let me know!
Fred

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Tue, Feb 2, 2010 at 2:26 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
   Rod,
   So what's up? I'm getting fire pants over here.
   Fred

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Tue, Feb 2, 2010 at 2:36 PM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki
   We can use your help at the Jefferson Park blue line stop at 4 pm.
   John will personally be out there and needs a lot of volunteer help.
   Can you be there?
   - RL
   Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Tue, Feb 2, 2010 at 2:40 PM
From: Fred Sasaki
To: Robert Lee
   You got it! I'll come in my Uncle Sam costume unless you want the Gorilla.
   I wore the Gorilla a little while yesterday in Andersonville but a kid started crying so I stopped.
   Whooot! 4pm here I come!
   Fred
Re: Message from Garrido2010.com
Date: Tue, Feb 2, 2010 at 2:43 PM
From: Robert Lee
To: Fred Sasaki
Okay.
No gorilla suit and no bull horn. :) 
Thanks for helping.
- RL 
Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

Facebook message 
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Between John Garrido and You 
John Garrido February 4 at 4:01pm
Thank you Fred for your help; we made a great attempt. This campaign taught me a lot and I will return to be a better candidate in the future; I promise. I just have to convince my wife to allow me to run again. :)

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