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December

Calendar

Dec 6—Beaumont Meeting

Dec 9 — Children's Christmas Party

Dec 12— Heart of Maryland Chorus

Dec 13— Food-For-The-Needy Distribution

Dec 26 — Lecturer Night

Grand Knight Report— Warren Norris

Brothers,

I trust that everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. We must all remember with our ups and downs, there is so much to be thankful for. On the 28th of October the Council held a shrimp oyster bull roast in the memory of Wayne (big dog) McCullough. I would like to thank all who helped in this event. With the team effort the event was VERY rewarding. When the monies are all in, and the bills are paid, we will be donating a check to The Kemmel Comprehensive Cancer Center which will be over \$10,000. In the honor of Brother Wayne.

Well done Team. A family that prays together stays together.

I know that we are in the HOLIDAY season PERIOD. So it would be nice to give the gift of a form 100 TO SOMEONE YOU KNOW. We do need new members. Remember the power of one. "ONE MEMBER PER COUNCIL PER MONTH"

VIVAT JESUS

Grand Knight

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Chaplain Reflection

MedjugorjeMessage - October 25, 2012, Our Lady appeared to the visionary Marija and delivered the following message for the world: "Dear children! Today I call you to pray for my intentions. Renew fasting and prayer because Satan is cunning and attracts many hearts to sin and perdition. I call you, little children, to holiness and to live in grace. Adore my Son so that He may fill you with His peace and love for which you yearn. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Beaumont News

In need of a place to hold your next party, consider using the Council Home. Call the Council Office at (410-744-8754).

Dues Notices 2013

Dues notices for 2013 will be prepared and sent at the end of the month. I ask that you return the dues payments as soon as possible. Included in your dues packet will be a raffle ticket to support our scholarship programs. In this past year, we were able to support 4 high school and two grammar school students in local Catholic schools. We ask for your support in this important program. If you have any problems or questions concerning membership, please feel free to call me (410 242 6130) or send me an e mail (mdoetzer@aol.com)

John Faggio Food For the Needy Program

This is our 29th year of feeding the poor at Christmas. The raffle tickets, which provide funding for this program, has been mailed to each of you. Please support this program by selling these raffle tickets. There are so many people that need help. Please volunteer to help us assemble and distribute the food on Thursday, December 13 @ 8:30 am. PGK Tom Slifker 410-465-3485.

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**KNIGHTS OUT INN**

**DECEMBER SPECIALS**

**DECEMBER 7 SHRIMP**

**CREOLE**

**DECEMBER 14 FRIED**

**CHICKEN**

**DECEMBER 21 BEEF**

**STROGANOFF**

**DECEMBER 29 CLOSED**

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In addition to our specials, we serve a regular menu of crab cakes, chicken tenders, shrimp salad, fried shrimp, cheese steak subs and rib eye steaks. All meals are served with delicious sides and salads.

Please come and join us for a great evening of fraternity and family fun.

Fight Against the Current —co-editor Tim McCarthy

It is hard to be faithful to Christ in a pagan culture. As Mother Teresa said, "A nation that kills its own children is a nation without hope."

Cardinal Dolan met with the bishops in Baltimore after the election. He said, "We will not comply with the HHS mandate." Eleven lawsuits against the federal government are

now working their way through the courts.

No one can say how this will resolve in the days ahead. What is sure is that we must remain faithful to our bishops and our Church. Temporal trials pale against Eternity in the arms of God.

Patapsco's Annual Men's Retreat at Loyola Retreat House

Brothers, February 22-24, 2013 is our weekend. The theme of this year's retreat is "Speaking As One Friend To Another". See Tom Slifker or Tim McCarthy for Reservation Forms or call at 410-465-3485.

Insurance Information

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advantage of the benefits of membership. Avail yourself and your family of our full line of life insurance, retirement and long-term care products and you'll help chart a course

to safe waters in your financial future. Bob Marlowe, Jr., CLU, FICF, LUTCF 410-823-3800

Travel News

Patapsco Travel Club News - 2012/2013 Bus Trips
 December 30, 2012 to January 2, 2013 - New Year's in Myrtle Beach, SC
 April 21 to 27, 2013 - Nashville/Memphis, TN
 May 14, 2013 - Ni-na's Dandy
 June 11, 2013 - Harrington Casino & Suicide Bridge
 July 31, 2013 - Lancaster County's Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre - South Pacific
 September 29 to October 2, 2013 - St.

Michael's, Ocean City, & Suicide Bridge

December 4, 2013 - Sight and Sound Miracle of Christmas show & Shady Maple Smorgasbord

For information and brochures or to get on our mailing list, call any committee member:

- Tom Slifker 410-465-3485
- Mike Blair 410-744-8754
- Ken Horvitz 410-218-8527;
- Peggy Baldwin 410-299-8586 (after 6 PM).

Ask your friends and relatives to join us on these trips. We have a good time! Let's have fun in our golden years. If you would like to go someplace special, let us know.



Council Programs — PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

Brothers and Patapsco Council family: Elections and the nation's course, for good or ill have been set. Hopefully you found something for which to be grateful at Thanksgiving, even if it was just the company of family and friends. You blinked so now it is Christmas. Blink again and it will be the New Year which promises to be again full of all sorts of challenges. You all can read the headlines or listen to the news so let's not dwell on that but anticipate the peace of Christmas to fill our thoughts. I was really pleased to hear of the success of the DGK Scott & Chancellor Bernie's Couples Night. That's what we need Scott, Bernie, Dave, et al.. On behalf of Karen and myself, our Best Wishes for a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Mary, Queen of Knights, pray for us.

PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

CHURCH - PGK Mike Doetzer: Patapsco's Annual Men's Retreat at Loyola Retreat House – Brothers, February 22-24, 2013 is our weekend. The theme of this year's retreat is "Speaking As One Friend To Another". See Tom Slifker for Reservation Forms or call at 410-465-3485.

COMMUNITY – Bro. Mike Blair: An estimated \$12,000 profit was raised from the Bull & Oyster Roast held in honor of Wayne "Big Dog" McCullough for the benefit of the Johns Hopkins Cancer Center. It will be presented to a representative of Johns Hopkins at our Heart of Maryland Chorus Christmas Night on Dec.12th.

COUNCIL – PGK Ken Horvitz: I'm getting more details on how to operate a "Night at the

Races" I'm thinking of having it sometime in the month of February/March. I would like some feedback by you to get a feel if the event would go over well in our community. Please call (410-218-8527) or e mail me at kenhorvitz@hotmail.com if you have any suggestions or opinions.

CULTURE OF LIFE – Bro. Tim McCarthy: Several members of the Council would like to expand our annual February Pro-Life dinner. Held on the Feast of St. Polycarp (Feb 21), we honor all volunteers of Pregnancy Center West. The Council would like to make this a more area-wide event by offering tickets to all K of C Councils. To make this work we need a fixed date. The Council is contacting past participants to see if that date can be set. There is also discussion of having a dinner speaker.

FAMILY - DGK Scott Luco: Great Couples Night, thanks to all who helped. Remember to bring the family to start the Christmas Season musically with the Heart of Maryland Chorus Christmas on Wednesday, Dec.12th. Come early for a good seat

YOUTH – Bro. David Slade: Brother David Slade reported "Mr. D's Magic" would be entertaining the children at the kids Christmas party Dec. 9th from Noon until 2 PM. Kids lunch will be served. Also, we will have the Basketball Free Throw at the Trinity school on Ilchester Road in Ellicott City on Jan. 12th from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.. At the event we will again sponsor a PGK free throw contest.

Recruitment – Asst. Recur. Dir. PGK Ken Horvitz: It was rather refreshing to see the "Couples

Night" put on by Chancellor Bernie Wrisk, DGK Scott Luco and Youth Program Director David Slade was successful. As I have said any event should be a showcase as to whom we are as Knights. It was nice to see tables showing the "Seminarian Sponsorship Program" that we support as well as information regarding the "Food for the Needy Program". Some of the attendees expressed an interest in joining the Knights.

Retention – PGK Ken Horvitz, Retention Officer: Brothers I cannot emphasize enough how important it is to retain members. I am going to be calling Brothers to help invite other Brothers to a meeting and to find out if they might need our assistance or if they have any problems. Too often we seem to forget about our members. Personal contact is important for our retention program because it shows we care.

Vocations – Chancellor Bernie Wrisk: We have kept in touch via email with Brother Edmond McCullough, OP, our RSVP candidate, who has settled into the Dominican House in DC. His studies have been going well and will have a break the day after Christmas through Jan. 4th. We hope then to have him visit the Council. Look for a blast email for more details, or write me at bwrisk@comcast.net.



Please remember the following people in your prayers.

PGK Bob Carhardt

PGK Reggie DiSante

Rita Eberling

PGK Ed Cantor

PGK Barry Casanova

Family of the Month

Our council's family of the month is Tom Ennis and family. Tom and wife Krista are parishioners of St. Mark's and have triplets, two of whom have autism. This family accepts the idea that God has a plan for all of us, although it may not be the path in life you envision for yourself, it is one that helps you to grow spiritually. Two of the children are students at St. Mark's school. Both parents are also active in coaching and supporting their children in sports activities. If any brother Knight has a recommendation for our next family of the month please send it to Bernie Wrisk at bwrisk@comcast.net or call 443-604-8372

Around the Knights — Supreme/State/District News

From Supreme — Past Supreme Knight Virgil Dechant received the Knights of Columbus' Highest Honor the Gaudium et Spes Award which was established by Dechant in 1992, with Mother Teresa as its first recipient. The award is named for the Second Vatican Council's Apostolic Constitution on the Church in the Modern World. Dechant is the award's tenth honoree. Among the honorees have been l'Arche founder Jean Vanier, Cardinal John O'Connor of New York, and Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone. Prior to bestowing the award, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson noted that: "Virgil Dechant was the model of Catholic fraternal-

ism for an entire generation." <http://www.kofc.org/en/index.html>

Maryland State Council — The State Mid-Terms will be held at Cardinal Gibbons Council, Columbus Gardens, on January 5th, further details from the Grand Knight and DGK <http://www.kofc-md.org/>

District News — The next District 17 Second Degree is scheduled for Feb. 20th at 8 p.m. at Patapsco Council.

Chapter of Past Grand Knights — The next meeting for the Chapter is Thursday, December 13th, 2012 and is the Baltimore Chapter Christmas Party <http://www.mdkofc.org/baltimore/>

Fourth Degree -- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Assembly #1620, Woodlawn, Maryland meets 4th Thursday of each month at 8:00 P.M. at St. Joseph Cupertino Friary Manor House, 12290 Folley Quarter Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042 410-531-2800. the Assembly Christmas Party will be at 7 p.m. on December 12th at St. Alphonsus Rodriguez, 10800 Old Court Rd., Woodstock, MD 21163. There is no December meeting.

<http://kcmaryland4th.org/>

State Events
December 2012
 1/28 State Christmas Party @ Cardinal Gibbons Council
January 2013
 1/5 Mid-Term Meeting @ Cardinal Gibbons Council
 1/25 March for Life in Washington, DC



Consider going Green and get your Patapsco Knight online! Contact Brother Mike Blair via email kc1529@verizon.net to be added to the list.

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