



Patapsco Knight

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GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

By Grand Knight Scott Luco

Brothers, as we move into this new Fraternal Year, let us consider the impact of our charitable activity individually, and as a part of the entire body of the Order. St. Francis of Assisi is said to have admonished, "Evangelize always, when necessary use words." Our charitable works and fraternal service are our means of evangelization. Our actions are well noted by the world, and our work is certainly appreciated. The global reach of the Knights of Columbus is such that we donated more than \$170 million and more than 70.5 million hours of service in the year ending December 31, 2013. Those numbers boggle the mind, but more than 1.8 million Knights built that record, averaging about eight dollars and three hours of service per Knight per month. That's not much! What great things we can do as Brother Knights, united in charity and service to our Church and Community. Think what greater things we will do as our Council grows!

Another good practice for a new year is to take stock of the past year and make resolutions

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

By Deputy Grand Knight Bernie Wrisk

Brothers, enjoy the summer with family and friends, but always keep handy one of our new business cards to pass on to potential Catholic recruits.

Also, I am considering getting the Christmas card program up and running this fall. More information will follow on this fundraiser for

for the coming year. Our Supreme Knight, Carl A. Anderson, has said, "We have a moral obligation to invite every eligible Catholic man to join the Knights of Columbus." Please take a moment or two in prayerful reflection to discern what it is that you get out of being a Knight, where God is calling you to increase your activity, and what Catholic friend or family member would benefit from joining us? Each Knight is a recruiter, but first we must understand why we are here and how we are fulfilled by our membership. Only then can we recommend membership to a friend or family member with conviction.

Brothers, thank you for reading this; it is my sincere hope that we all enjoy each other's company as brothers working toward the common goal of service to God, Church, and Community. The more, the merrier, and I look forward to meeting many new brothers and some who have not been active for some time. Please note our next business meeting is August 13, with the Rosary at 7:45 pm and meeting call to order at 8:00. I look forward to seeing you there! Vivat Jesus!

our charities, but let your spouses know so they don't order other cards.

Please save the date for the 3rd Annual Couples Night Out, which will take place on Friday, November 14. The event committee will be meeting soon for planning. If you are interested in helping us make this annual event a huge success, please contact me at bwrisk@verizon.net.

Vivat Jesus!

Columbus Day Ball — The annual Columbus Day Ball will be held Saturday October 11, 2014 at the BWI Marriott from 7:30 to 11:30. Dress is Black Tie preferred, with a sit-down dinner, dancing, and socializing. Cost is \$65 per person, \$125 per couple. Contact Grand Knight Scott Luco by the August Business Meeting if you are interested in joining him and Lady Anne at the Ball.

Medjugorje Message - "Dear children! You are not aware of the graces that you are living at this time in which the Most High is giving you signs for you to open and convert. Return to God and to prayer, and may prayer begin to reign in your hearts, families and communities, so that the Holy Spirit may lead and inspire you to every day be more open to God's will and to His plan for each of you. I am with you and with the saints and angels intercede for you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

August Calendar

Sunday, August 3

Council Crab Feast
1:00 pm

Wednesday, August 6

Council Picnic
6:00 pm

Thursday, August 7

Beaumont Holding Company
7:30 pm

Wednesday, August 13

Council Business Meeting
8:00 pm (Rosary at 7:45 pm)

Wednesday, August 20

First Degree Exemplification
8:00 pm

Wednesday, August 27

Officers' Meeting | Lecture Meeting
7:30 pm 8:00 pm

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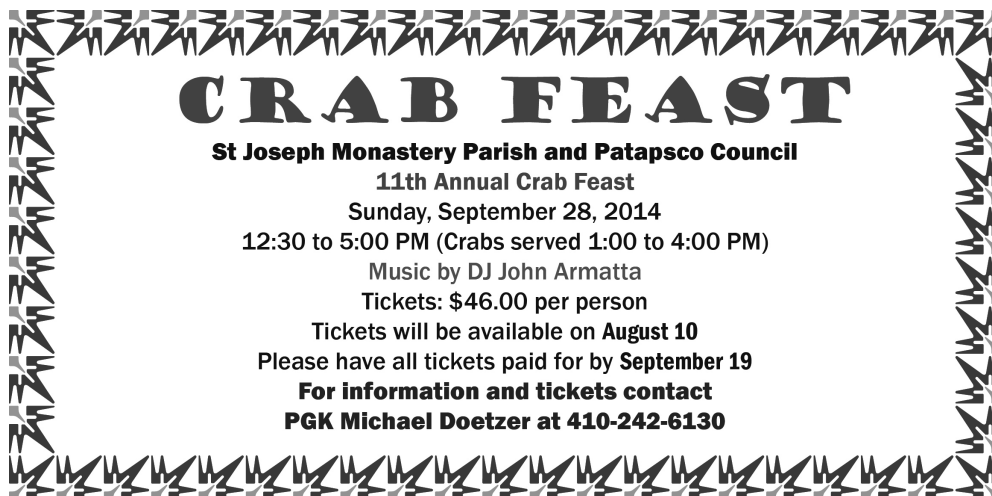
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www.kofc1960.org.

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

By Father Gene Nickol

Brothers of the Patapsco Council: I hope you have been having a restful and renewing summer season; God's gift to us so we can answer His call. "Come to me, all you who labor and find life burdensome, and I will give you rest ... learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart, and your souls will find rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light." You may wonder: "How does that work?" To understand, you must also hear Jesus say that we must "become like little children." What is it that little children have that we adults, the learned and clever, do not have? This is important to understand. Little children are vulnerable because they have no power and completely depend on others to take care of them. They are very open and trusting that others will share with them what they need; they have no illusion that they are in charge or that they can do well on their own, with no one to help them. They gratefully accept the help of others. We adults, however, think we

are in charge; that we can do it alone and, as a matter of American pride, feel we can be so fiercely independent and free that we need no one else to help us or tell us what to do. That's why Jesus has to tell us to be "like little children," because all these "adult qualities" are what get us into trouble and take us away from God. Look at the example of Jesus who, throughout the Gospels, as the Divine Son, was constantly praying to and seeking grace, guidance and strength from His Heavenly Father. Let's face it—to carry the burden of being able to do it all, to be independent of God and everyone else, is a huge burden. Jesus invites us as adult Catholic Christians to let go of these burdens and place them in God's hands. To trust that God is with us, as God was with Jesus, every step of the way. And to, like Jesus, give our lives, challenges, struggles and weaknesses over to God and let God into our lives to heal, forgive, lift our sorrows, and be our strength. This is what really will refresh and renew us. We are not alone—God is with us every step of the way. We are true children of the Heavenly Father, and we can find rest from our labors and burdens in Him. Amen.



CRAB FEAST

St Joseph Monastery Parish and Patapsco Council

11th Annual Crab Feast

Sunday, September 28, 2014

12:30 to 5:00 PM (Crabs served 1:00 to 4:00 PM)

Music by DJ John Armatta

Tickets: \$46.00 per person

Tickets will be available on **August 10**

Please have all tickets paid for by **September 19**

For information and tickets contact

PGK Michael Doetzer at 410-242-6130

Beaumont News

The Fourth of July celebration was very well received. The turnout to watch the parade was spectacular, and everyone enjoyed Beaumont's hospitality for the event.



The Beaumont website has been revamped! The new site features photos, facility descriptions, and an online form for rental inquiries. Be sure to visit the site, as well as refer people to the site for their rental facility needs. The site is: www.beaumonthall.com.

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

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| Paul Boettinger | PGK Bob Carhart | PGK Reggie DiSante |
| Robert Hoffman | PGK Tom Slifker | PGK Ed Canter |
| John Lackey | Wil Baldwin | Jim Manning |
| Ron Price | Helen Legg | Patricia Johnson |
| George Mack | Paul Buckley | Brad Jaeger |
| Norman Sanford | | |

If you have any prayer intentions for someone in your family, please contact Chancellor John Journell to get the person's name included in our prayers. You may also fill out a prayer request form on our Council website. We believe in the power of prayer and would be happy to include your family members in our prayers. You can send your prayer requests to John at jpjour@icloud.com.

Submissions Welcome!

The *Patapsco Knight* is your newsletter, and your outlet to reach your fellow Brother Knights. Send any newsletter items by the 20th of the month to rickounc@gmail.com or call 410-207-0939.

Knights Out Inn

August Specials

August 1 — Seafood Platter

August 8 — Fried Hard Crabs

August 15 — Fried Chicken

August 22 — Shrimp Scampi

August 29 — Ribs and Shrimp

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.

"In service to One. In service to all."

Council Programs

By PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

Brothers and Patapsco Council family: The installation of the new Council officers went very well on July 16, and it looks as if the coming year will be well organized and have dynamic leadership. We have new members waiting in the wings, and the promise of younger leadership that is full of enthusiasm and energy. They seem very willing to take on the responsibility and devote the effort to running a successful Council program. This will be a challenge, but I would ask that the more "senior" Council members also rise to the occasion and give the support of their experience, time and talent to the new leadership team. Hopefully we will get some fresh ideas to implement from the program seminars as well as some self-formulated innovations. I hope that you all have had a great summer so far; it does seem to be flying by. A little sadness to note, we recently lost the Dean of our Past Grand Knights with the passing of PGK Maurice Neville. He was an active Council stalwart who always had a smile on his face and a sunny disposition no matter what health challenges he faced personally. Maurice, you lived a good and long life and will be missed by those you left behind. Condolences to family and friends. Time does seem to be thinning the ranks of Patapsco Council, as we are now below 400 in number. I am confident, however, that by the end of this year we will see that number go up with several new, younger active Brothers. While you enjoy the respite before the onslaught of ads for the November elections, join us for the many events planned to close out summer, including eating crabs, the Council picnic, and how about attending a degree exemplification to welcome in new members? At least come to a business meeting if you want to see the "new guys" in action! Mary, Queen of the Knights, pray for us.

Church – PGK Michael Doetzer, Chairman: St. Joseph Monastery Parish and Patapsco Council 11th Annual Crab Feast on Sunday, September 28, from 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Crabs served from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Music will be provided by DJ John Armatta. Tickets \$46.00 per person and will be available starting on August 10. Please have all tickets paid for by September 19. For information and tickets, contact Michael Doetzer at (410) 242-6130.

Community – Jacob Luco: The next shredding day will take place on October 11. Volunteers are needed.

Council – PGK Dennis Brose: Crab feast will take place Sunday, August 3, from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Volunteers needed to set up tables at 8:00 am. We are in need of baked goods for the cake wheel. Please consider bringing a donation to the Crab Feast to help fund our Council this year. Tickets are \$50 per person, and only a few remain. Call Scott Luco (410-744-1559) to purchase.

Culture Of Life – Bro. Tim McCarthy: The church next to our Council Hall used to display a pro-life monument. However, the previous pastor took down the monument, and the new pastor will not put it back on display. We are asking permission to move the structure to any parish that will have it.

Family – DGK Bernie Wrisk: The Council Picnic will take place on Wednesday, August 6, at the Council Hall. There will be plenty of food, fun, and fraternity for the entire family! Plan on joining us starting at 6:00 pm.

Food for the Needy – PGK Edwin Cogswell: The Food for the Needy Program has gotten underway for the year with a new team member joining an already winning team. Helping as Co-Chair with PGK Tom Slifker will be PGK Edwin Cogswell. The team is preparing materials for the annual mailing, which you will receive sometime in October. All of the proceeds of this effort help feed families in need in our community. Please support this Council Program as it celebrates its 31st year.

Charity – DGK Bernie Wrisk: The charity run/walk event, "4 Miles 4 Charity," had a good turnout that raised funds for our Council programs. Commemorative T-shirts are available for \$5. We had 43 volunteers involved—thanks to all!

Fourth Degree News – Ernie Schaefer: Meetings take place every fourth Thursday—mass with a meeting afterward. All Fourth Degree Knights are welcome.

Degree Team – Anthony Viscardi: First Degree Exemplification on August 20 at 8:00 pm. All candidates should arrive by 7:30 pm. Please come out and support our new members!

Recruitment – PGK Warren Norris: Be sure to have one of our recruitment cards handy!

Supreme Council News – The Knights of Columbus formally announced a \$1.4 million donation to cover the costs of athletes from the United States and Canada during their time in Los Angeles as they participate in next year's Special Olympics World Games.

State Council News – The Knights of Columbus Supreme and State Councils are teaming on a major initiative to purchase ultrasound machines for the Crisis Pregnancy Centers. The first several machines purchased in Maryland under this program are already in place and saving lives!

Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights – The next meeting will take place on Thursday, August 14, at Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council #7612. The Installation of Officers will tentatively take place on Saturday, August 16, at Saint Clement's Church.

Family of the Month



Our Council recognizes the Protzman family as our Family of the Month. Bill Protzman and his wife, Rosaire, and their five children—Meg, Jenny, Brian, Kevin, and Liam—are parishioners of St. Mark. In addition to being a member of our Council, Bill has volunteered his time and talents (as well as those of Rosaire) to the St. Mark parish and many community events. Thanks to their example and continual Catholic education, the children have also been involved in volunteer activities of the church and other Catholic outreach programs.

Please suggest future Family of the Month candidates to Bernie Wrisk at bwrisk@verizon.net or 443-604-8372.

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NOTES FROM THE GOOD OLD DAYS

By Co-Editor Tim McCarthy

In the 1950s, parents could send the kids off to watch television when old friends called. With the "Hayes Code" of Hollywood (equivalent to today's rating system) still in effect, children would see good triumph over evil. Priests, ministers, and rabbis were always the good guys, and sexual suggestions ended when the bedroom door closed.

But the Hayes Code is gone now, and the culture that empowered it no longer exists. In the 1950s, everyone knew what was right and what was wrong—even those who chose to break the rules.

In today's society, killing an unborn child is a "woman's choice." (I've always wondered how there could be such a choice if the "woman" weren't already a mother.) "My body, my choice," is an invitation to try drugs. "Looking out for number one," is not a call to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ to the masses.

The Judeo-Christian ethic and the culture that surrounds us are strangers. Adultery and fornication—whether between man and woman, man and man, or woman and woman—are still serious sins. That cannot change, simply because God's Justice permits no such change. How could God send someone to Hell for these sins a hundred years ago, but simply write it off as a cultural norm today?

What that means for us is that it's tougher to do the right thing; however, doing the right thing is no less vital. Our journey on earth is a temporary assignment. Eternity is forever.



PATAPSCO FAMILY PROGRAM RECOGNIZED BY STATE COUNCIL

Deputy Grand Knight Bernie Wrisk accepts an award from State Deputy Stephen J. Adamczyk for Patapsco Council's commitment to the Family of the Month Program. Patapsco Council was recognized by the State Council for submitting a Family of the Month each month of the 2013-2014 Fraternal Year.

Consider going green and getting your Patapsco Knight online! Contact Brother Mike Blair at kc1529@verizon.net to be added to the list.