



# Patapsco Knight



*Knights of Columbus Patapsco Council No 1960  
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## GRAND KNIGHT'S REPORT

Brothers,

This past year our worthy brother Mike Blair chaired a new Community Activity at Patapsco Council. Once in the fall and again in the spring we had a truck on site that shreds documents. As a Community Activity this event is open to everyone. People bring their documents to be shredded and, if they wish, they make a goodwill donation to the Council Charity Fund. April 17 was the date for the Spring Event and the Council took in \$1500.00 in donations. This money will go along way to support our Food for the Needy Program and our Scholarship Fund. Well done, Mike Blair! You took the initiative and the lead on this one and did the Council proud. Brothers, if anyone has an idea for a new or different activity please please bring it to a meeting and present your idea. We need new ideas to keep the council fresh and exciting. With a new Columbian Year coming up, now is the time for those fresh ideas.

Our next business meeting is May 26th. We will be holding election of officers at that meeting. Your participation in this is vital to the growth of Patapsco Council.

*Tony Roberts,  
GK*

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT

Dear Brothers and Ladies,

As the old Hymn that I learned in grade school goes, "Tis the Month of Our Mother." It is May. The bees are buzzing. The roses are blooming. The world smells sweet and warm with just a hint of the hot summer days that are to come. Little children in white make their First Communion. We celebrate our mothers and the mothers of our children in special ways on a special Sunday. On a personal note, my wife and I will celebrate 38 years of marriage this month. It is a month when Mary is honored with May Processions, May crowning, and rosaries, but shouldn't every month be a month dedicated to the mother of our Savior?

After all, it was through her that our salvation came into the world and we were thus reconciled with God. As Knights of Columbus we profess a special devotion to Mary, but I wonder if sometime the idea of Marian devotion is pushed into the background by the cares of everyday life. This month would be the perfect time for us to rededicate ourselves to the Theotokos, Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Knock, Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Patroness of the Americas, or whatever favorite title you have for her and resolve to pray the Rosary on a regular basis.

*Peace, Deacon Tony*

## FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

On March 29, the Food for the Needy committee cooked chicken cacciatore at the council home and delivered it to My Brothers Keeper in Irvington. We cooked enough to feed over 100 people. My Brothers Keeper was very pleased that we could help them out and relieve them from cooking a meal themselves for one day. Brother Tom O'Brien noticed that the biggest cooking pot

they had in their kitchen was not that big. In the interest of Charity and helping them out, Tom donated his larger pot to them. They were ecstatic about their new treasure. Brothers, there is a great need to feed the poor and your council is doing the best we can with what we have.

*Food For the Needy Committee.*

## SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE WINNERS

### Week #4

Thomas Shaw - \$50  
Robert Hoffman - \$30  
John Bruns- \$20

### Week #5

Anthony D'Amelio - \$50  
Paul Klatt - \$30  
Cletus Beckman - \$20

### Week #6

Kenneth Horvitz - \$50  
Matthew Cisna - \$30  
J.C. Lascuola - \$20

## PROGRAMS

### Program Report

*PGK Ken Horvitz, Director*

Brothers, we have two upcoming events: St Joseph Monastery Knights of Columbus Shrimp/Bull Feast Sunday, June 13th, and the Annual Crab feast. See the events page for more details. Thanks to Dave Slade and the Brothers who helped out at the Children's Easter Egg Hunt. Thanks goes out to Mike Blair for organizing the April Document Destruction Day and the Brothers who helped out. This event provides the Community a valuable service because it provides individuals a way to destroy personal and business documents, and it helps to reduce the chance of Identity Theft.

### Church Activities

*Recorder Ernie Schaefer, Director*

Please remember to read the inspirational messages from Mary found in the monthly Newsletter. Also, please pray the Rosary for world peace and the end to abortion. The next Fifth Sunday Breakfast is tentatively set for May 30th. See the event page for more details.

### Community Activities

*Trustee Mike Blair, Director*

Thanks to all the Brothers who helped at the April Document Destruction Day. Look for details in the events page for future dates and times

of the next Document Destruction Day.

### Council Activities

*Warden Wayne Slifker, Director*

Mark your calendars for the Shrimp/Bull Roast June 13th. For tickets contact PGK Michael Doetzer at 410-242-6130. Contact Dennis Brose for tickets for the July Crab Feast. I hope everyone enjoyed the Potomac Cruise on the Dandy.

### Family Activities

*PGK Ken Horvitz, Director*

The Family Bingo will be held soon. Look for details and a date in the events page of upcoming newsletters. I am looking for suggestions for Family of the Month. Anyone who has a family to propose can call or email me.

### Youth Activities

*David Slade, Director*

Thanks to Brothers Mike Karpers, PGK Ken Horvitz, and PGK Michael Doetzer for their help at the Childrens Easter Egg hunt.

### Pro-Life

*Joseph Healy, Director*

Please pray for the Pro-Life movement. Respecting the sanctity of life from conception is one of the important concepts we Knights and Catholics should adopt as a philosophy and truly support any movement that fights for this worthy cause.

## KNIGHT OF THE MONTH

The April Knight of the month is awarded to PGK Barry Casanova. Barry is a Brother Knight whose legal expertise has benefited Patapsco Council over the years. Whenever we have a dispute over interpretation of by-laws, or have some kind of legal problem, Barry steps up and makes it right. Barry has served as a Past Grand Knight, a District Warden, Council's Advocate, General Pro-

grams Director, on the Beaumont Holding Company finance committee, and has co-chaired numerous Veterans Dinner Dances. Barry is a Brother Knight who puts 100% into everything he does. Brothers, we are lucky to have Barry Casanova as member of Patapsco. We are proud to present him the Knight of the Month. Congratulations Barry!

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Ladies Knight @ KOI Friday, 7 May 2010**

Join us for a Mother's Day treat at the Knights Out Inn.  
Ladies eat for \$5.

## **112th Annual MD State Convention Friday - Sunday, 14-16 May 2010**

Contact: GK Tony Roberts @ 410-788-1680

## **Second Degree Wednesday, 2 June 2010**

Join us in welcoming Brothers into the second degree.  
Candidates should arrive by 7:30p.m. Appropriate attire is  
coat and tie. Degree begins at 8:00p.m.  
Contact: Tony Viscardi @ 410-719-0099

## **St Joseph Monastery/Patapsco Shrimp-Bull Feast Sunday, 13 June 2010**

12:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.  
All you can eat steamed shrimp, pit beef, ham, and turkey.  
Full buffet, beer, wine, and soda. Raffles & games, also!  
Reserve your tickets early. Tickets \$38.  
Contact: PGK Michael Doetzer @ 410-242-6130

## **Annual Crab Feast**

Contact: PGK Dennis Brose @ 410-788-6467

## **Suicide Bridge Bus Trip Tuesday, 20 July 2010**

Join us for a trip to Harrington Casino and Suicide Bridge  
for a crab party. Tickets are \$80 per person. A non-  
refundable deposit of \$25 will hold your reservation. The  
bus will pick-up at 8:00 a.m.  
Contact: Tom O'Brien @ 410-796-8066

## **Oberammergau's Passion Play with St. Mark's Roamin' Catholics 4-13 September 2010**

Contact: Carol @ 410-744-7092 for details

Do you have an event you would like to advertise in the  
*Patapsco Knight*?

Contact the editors at:  
editor@kofc1960.org

## The Myth of Pedophile Priests

by Timothy A. McCarthy

In 2009 there were six credible cases of sexual child abuse among America's 68 million Catholics. Pedophilia is a serious but past chapter in our church. However, The New York Times has been contacting lawyers for people claiming abuse. These lawyers, whose compensation depends on proving abuse, are not credible sources.

Penn State professor Philip Jenkins, who is not a Catholic, wrote *Pedophiles and Priests: Anatomy of a contemporary Crisis*. Among his findings:

Most child abuse takes place in the home—often involving step parents with step children. Statistically doctors and teachers are the most likely offenders. Christian clergy are least likely to offend. Among clergy, Catholic clergy are least likely to offend.

Catholic pedophilia cases makes bigger headlines because of Anti-Catholic prejudice and because the Catholic Church is big and more lucrative to sue.

In years past psychiatrists counseled bishops to rehabilitate sexual offenders with treatment. Psychiatrists claim today that the condition is not treatable. It is unfair to judge past events by today's standards.

## SHREDDING DAY

On April 17, 2010, the Council held its third Document Destruction Day. Approximately 250 people brought items to be shredded. They began lining up at 11:00a.m., even though the truck wasn't scheduled to arrive until noon. The following Brothers were on hand to lend a hand directing traffic, gathering the material, and dumping the paper into the shredding bins: PGK Ken Horvitz, PGK Tom Slifker, Frank Viscardi, Tom Walsh, Pat Young, Tim McCarthy, and Bob Hoffman. By the end of the allotted time, at 2:00pm, approximately 8,000 pounds of paper was shredded. According to Martin Fisher, the owner of PRO SHRED, this amount of paper was equivalent to saving 80 trees from being cut down to make new paper. Donations totaling \$1,500.00 were received. These monies will be distributed to support our Food for the Needy Program, our Scholarship Program, and the USO. We will be doing this again on Saturday, October 16, 2010 from Noon until 2:00p.m. Save yourself the hassle of sliding one or two pieces of paper into your home shredder and bring them up to the Council on Oct. 16th.

*Chairman, Mike Blair*

On March 14, Brother Knights, their family, and some friends spent a rainy day at the Charlestown races and Casino. We were all having a good time playing the slots, and betting on the horses, when a most unusual occurrence happened. We had a power failure! I have never seen that at a casino. What happens to your credits on the slot machine? Well, I will tell you. Each machine has a memory, and when the power came back on, the slots memory showed your credits and immediately printed out a cash out ticket. So, now you know if this would happen to you in the future. Once the power came back on, it took a little while for all the machines to come back on line. We then enjoyed the rest of the day. One other thing about this trip is that the river near Harpers Ferry was at a very high peak and looked like a rushing rapids. I have never seen that river that way.

Our second trip was to Atlantic City for an overnight trip on March 16 and 17. This trip was originally scheduled for February, but due to the snows was postponed to March. Our first day was spent at the Hilton Hotel and Casino. We spent the afternoon gambling or walking the boardwalk, had dinner at the Horizons Cafe, and slept in a very nice room. The second day we went to the Tropicana Casino where we ate breakfast and stayed there for six hours. The weather was beautiful and walking on the boardwalk was great. At the casino, we held our own and had a lot of fun. I don't believe we had too many winners on this trip, because the bus was not extra heavy with winnings on our way home.

Brothers, if you have not taken any of our bus trips, try them. The sociability with fellow Knights, their families, and friends is worth the trip. Even if you don't gamble, you can have fun. Join us!

## PATAPSCO KNIGHT

### Help Reduce the cost of publishing the Patapsco Knight

In an attempt to reduce the Council's costs relating to publishing the Patapsco Knight, I am asking everyone who receives the newsletter via the U.S. Postal Service to consider receiving it via email. The fewer number of papers that we have to print and mail, the lower the cost. Right now, it costs the Council approximately \$375.00 per month to print and mail the newsletter. Please email Mike Blair at [kc1529@verizon.net](mailto:kc1529@verizon.net). I'll make sure that you will begin receiving your Patapsco Knight via email. Please include your current mailing address in the email so that we make sure we change the correct person.

*Thank you, Mike Blair (410-747-8542)*

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Knights Out Inn..... Fridays 6-8pm

Retired Men's Meeting..... 4th Tuesday @ 11:30am  
4th Degree Meeting..... 4th Thursday @ 7:30pm  
Beaumont Meeting..... 1st Thursday @ 7:30pm  
Chapter of Grand Knights.....2nd Thursday

**May**

3 *Feast of Sts Philip and James, apostles*  
14-16 **Maryland State Convention**  
14 *Feast of St Matthias, aspostle*  
16 *Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord*  
23 *Solemnity of Pentecost*  
26 *St Philip Neri, priest*  
30 *Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity*  
31 *Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**June**

1 *St Justin, martyr*  
2 **Second Degree**  
3 *St Charles Lwanga, martyr, and companions*  
5 *St Boniface, bishop and martyr*  
6 *Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*  
11 *Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*  
12 *Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
13 **Bull/Shrimp Feast**  
21 *St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious*  
24 *Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist*  
28 *St Irenaeus, bishop and martyr*  
29 *Solemnity of Sts Peter and Paul, apostles*