



# Patapsco Knight

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## June

## Calendar

June 7—Beaumont Meeting

June 13— Council Business Meeting  
ELECTION NIGHT

June 27 — Lecturer Night

## Grand Knight Report—Mike LaMartina

Brothers / Friends, helped us persevere in times of loss and sorrow.

Time goes by entirely too fast. It feels like yesterday was the first time that I took to the podium as Grand Knight to call a meeting to order. That was two years ago. In that time, I have been in awe of what we as an Order, as a Council, and as a fraternity of Catholic men have accomplished. To say that we have been successful would be an understatement. During my administration, Our Council has developed new, successful traditions- the HUGE yard sales, the Chilli Cook-Offs, the Demolition Derbies and the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinners just to name a few. Additionally, we have continued to successfully manage our cornerstone events such as our crab feasts, chicken dinners, July 4th events and others that are too many to name. None of these events would have been possible without the dedication of our Brother Knights to Our Lord, Our Order and to Our Community. Putting on these events were labors of love. It is also important to note that it is our faith and our passion to serve that has

my Grand Knight journey all the more fun; my son Miles, who is my world (I love ya little man); my mom- BB and dad Ron (Also a Knight) who have given me an unshakeable foundation in faith and family values that I strive to practice daily; my Aunt Marylou whose support and encouragement has been appreciated more than one could fathom; to my uncle Art Harris of Rock Creek Council 2797 in Bethesda, MD who has consistently helped me understand the responsibilities and magnitude of this Office; and finally to the Brothers of Council 1960, I love each of you very much. I am forever in debt to all of you for the lessons that you have taught me. At times, you guys showed me tough love, but I believe that I became a better person for learning it. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your Grand Knight. I look forward to serving the Knights of Columbus in many ways in years to come. God bless you all.

V i v a t J e s u s ,

Mike LaMartina

## Council Election of Officers

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**KNIGHTS OUT INN**  
**JUNE SPECIALS**

June 1: Shrimp, Tuna & Chicken Salad Platter

June 8: KOI Closed for 3rd Degree

June 15: Sausage Platter

June 22: Shrimp Creole

June 29: Hot Dog and Hamburgers

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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.

**The Free State —co-editor Tim McCarthy**

Maryland was called the Free State because at its 1634 founding you could practice any religion you chose. But by 1676 things had changed. Over here a Catholic priest faced a fine of 200 pounds for saying Mass in public or 6 months in jail.

Back in England things were worse. A man named Titus Oates invented a scam that the Jesuits were trying to murder the Protestant King so that the king's Catholic brother ( a convert ) James would be king. In star chamber proceedings permitted by Charles the Second Oates had seven Jesuits, a Benedictine, a Franciscan and seven parish priests murdered by hanging. This was known as the Popish Plot.

Oates fraud was eventually uncovered and he was sent to the tower of London for life.

Injustices like these explain why our First amendment was written so precisely: " Congress shall make no law prohibiting the free exercise of religion." In America the federal government is FORBIDDEN to meddle in anyone's personal religious beliefs. For 150 years this was clearly understood by all Supreme Court Justices.

A 1947 Supreme Court Justice named Hugo Black-in violation of his sworn oath of office- changed the first amendment to suit his anti-Catholic fancy. He did it by deliberately misquoting the words of Thomas Jefferson. It

is reasonable to assume that Jefferson would have had Black impeached if he were alive to do so. Because of Black's violation of our Constitution we face the immoral HHS mandate today. Black remained-throughout his Supreme Court tenure- a member of freemasonry and the Ku Klux Klan.

In retrospect it is reasonable to ask: Did all our Supreme Court Justices operate in error for 150 years? Or did Hugo Black operate in error?



**Beaumont News**

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

**PRAYERFUL THOUGHTS**

Mirjana's apparition of May 2, 2012 - On May 2, 2012, Our Lady appeared to the visionary Mirjana Soldo in front of the Blue Cross at the base of Apparition Hill and gave her the following message: "Dear children! With motherly love I implore you to give me your hands, permit me to lead you. I, as a mother, desire to save you from restlessness, despair and eternal exile. My Son, by His death on the Cross, showed how much He loves you; He sacrificed Himself for your sake and the sake of your sins. Do not keep rejecting His sacrifice and do

not keep renewing His sufferings with your sins. Do not keep shutting the doors of Heaven to yourselves. My children, do not waste time. Nothing is more important than unity in my Son. I will help you because the Heavenly Father is sending me so that, together, we can show the way of grace and salvation to all those who do not know Him. Do not be hard hearted. Have confidence in me and adore my Son. My children, you can not be without the shepherds. May they be in your prayers every day. Thank you."

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# Council Programs — PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

Brothers and Patapsco Council family: June ends another Columbian Year. Now is the time to see where we have been and plan where we are going. This year's State Convention is over. We must congratulate State election winners and especially Vince Grausso of St. Louis the King Council, the new State Warden. The Convention awards yielded the Council, District and some Patapsco individuals awards for Degree Teams. They deserve accolades, but then, our guys are so good we have gotten to kind of expect that they will get recognition! Yes, we got the Surge for Service participation Plaque. However, what I am most pleased that we placed second in our "A" division (large councils) for our Youth Activities Program. Not bad for our age demographic. David Slade deserves a big pat on the back for this accomplishment and for running the program. Thanks to

all who helped at Youth events. It has been a LONG dry spell, maybe ten years, since we actually received this type of recognition for our Surge Reports and Programs so I am particularly pleased. I think we maintain a very active program and have come up with more innovative projects and events for which we have not been recognized, but, I am not a judge and am maybe a little biased? Brothers, thanks to all of you who helped, chaired, wrote, cooked, sold tickets, volunteered, did PR, cleaned up, and prayed for Patapsco's success this past year. Ron Price—the great pictures really helped the reports. I hope that Patapsco can build on this success for next year. Program & Event Chairmen, the bar was just raised!

This June will also bring Council elections and new leadership. Attend and vote at our next business meeting, June

13th, 7: 30 p.m. As to our other elections—now only FIVE more months of political campaigning to listen to—may it go fast. Remember the "Marriage Referendum" which we hope will be on the ballot--And a special thanks to our Governor and State Legislators who have now not only attacked family values in a big way, but AGAIN raised taxes. I do hope that voters can remember these "actions for the public good" (SIC) until the next local elections when we might have some more say in how we are governed. K of C members, when are you going to stand on your principles and "inform" leadership that enough is enough? Vote with principles and knowledge, not by habit--so much for my June rant. Happy Father's Day. Mary, Queen of Knights, pray for us.

PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

*Please remember the following people in your prayers.*  
**PGK Bob Carhardt**  
**PGK Reggie DiSante**  
**Rita Eberling**  
**PGK Edward Cantor**  
**PGL Ken Horvitz**  
**Jeanne Velky**

## DEGREE NEWS

The 1st and 2nd Degree teams are looking for a few new members. Due to the recent retirement of a number of members, we have some openings for speaking and non-speaking roles. The degree teams usually have one practice and one degree per month. The Patapsco Council 1st degree team and the District 17 2nd degree team are ranked among the best in the state. For more information call Michael Doetzer @ 410-242-6130 or Tony Viscardi at 410-719-0099. Our next scheduled degrees are August 15 (1st degree) and August 29 (2nd degree). Come out and join an award winning team!!

## Travel News

June 27, 2012 - Harrington Casino & Suicide Bridge for a crab feast. \$90 full payments for this trip are due by May 15. This trip is very popular and sells out quickly. We still have a few seats available.

September 17 to 21, 2012 – Niagara Falls, Canada for a 5day/4night trip. The cost: \$630 per person double occupancy (\$170 additional for a single supplement). A \$100 deposit is due by 5/31/12 to hold your reservation, and the final payment is due by 7/31/12. Call Tom Slifker if you want more information.

October 17, 2012 - Harrington Casino & Suicide Bridge for a crab feast. Mark your calendars. We are taking a names & deposits of \$40 for the Suicide Bridge trips.

December 30, 2012 to January 2, 2013 – New Year's in Myrtle Beach, SC for a 4day/3night trip featuring a Christmas celebration. Trip includes Christmas shows at the Carolina Opry & the Alabama Theatre & more. Estimated price range is \$450 per person double occupancy.

Ask your friends and relatives to join us on some of these trips. We have a good time!

If you have any special places you would like to go, just call one of the committee listed below.

If you would like a brochure and/or get on the list for any of these trips, 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); or Tom O'Brien 410-796-8066.

10 Week Scholarship  
Raffle

*April 25:*

*\$50 - Warren Norris*

*\$30 - Pat Barbernitz*

*\$20 - Edwin Cogswell*

*May 2:*

*\$50 - Dr. B. Robert Gangrandi*

*\$30 - Albert McGill*

*\$20 - Timothy Langan*

*May 9:*

*\$50 - Michael Boettinger*

*\$30 - Timothy McCarthy*

*\$20 - Anthony Viscardi*

*Congratulations*



**PATAPSCO COUNCIL ANNUAL  
SUMMER CRAB FEAST**

**SUNDAY**

**JULY 22 ~ ~ ~ ~ 1:00 TO 5:00 PM**

**STEAMED CRABS SERVED 1:00 TO 4:00**

**DESSERTS AT 4:00 PM**

**BEER & SODAS, PIT BEEF, SOUR BEEF, TURKEY AND HAM,**

**HOT AND COLD FOODS & MORE**

**\$45 PER PERSON**

**FOR TICKETS CONTACT PGK DENNIS BROSE—443-575-6445**

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

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