



# Patapsco Knight

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## December Calendar

Dec 18— Council Business Meeting

## Grand Knight Report— Warren Norris

Brothers All

I wish you all a very blessed holiday season.  
Vivat Jesus!

Wayne Norris

Grand Knight

## Food For the Needy

What better way to give to the poor at Christmas time than to support the John J. Faggio Christmas Food For the Needy Program by selling the raffle tickets sent to you? We need lots of help to assemble and distribute the food for the poor on Thursday, December 12, starting at 8 am at the Knights Out Inn. Mark your calendars and plan to help us. We will finish by noon. Also, the committee wishes each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year. Tom Slifker 410-465-3485; Mike Blair 410-744-8754; Ken Horvitz 410-218-8527; Gary Warren 410-480-1424; and Pat Young, Jr. 410-206-5415.

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## Prayerful Thoughts

November 2, 2013, Our Lady appeared to the visionary Mirjana in Medjugorje and delivered the following message:

“Dear children; Anew, in a motherly way, I am calling you to love; to continually pray for the gift of love; to love the Heavenly Father above everything. When you love Him you will love yourself and your neighbor. This cannot be separated. The Heavenly

Father is in each person. He loves each person and calls each person by his name. Therefore, my children, through prayer hearken to the will of the Heavenly Father. Converse with Him. Have a personal relationship with the Father which will deepen even more your relationship as a community of my children- of my apostles. As a mother I desire that, through the love

for the Heavenly Father, you may be raised above earthly vanities and may help others to gradually come to know and come closer to the Heavenly Father. My children, pray, pray, pray for the gift of love because ‘love’ is my Son. Pray for your shepherds that they may always have love for you as my Son had and showed by giving His life for your salvation. Thank you.”

# KNIGHTS OUT INN

## DECEMBER SPECIALS

Dec. 6    Fried Chicken  
Dec 13    Sour Beef  
Dec. 20    Roast Beef  
Dinner  
Dec 27    Closed

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.

## Chaplain's Note: A New Year—Fr. Gene Nikol

Every New Year is a gift from God and a promise of the Lord's ongoing Blessings for our wellbeing to come, not just here and now but forever in heaven. As January begins, the whole world is moving from darkness to light; the shortest day of sunlight is behind us (Dec. 21) and we are moving to longer days of sunlight each day. As nature moves from darkness to light, so must we; we must let the light of

God's love renew and restore our spirits and fill us with hope. We must let go of anger and resentment and fear – all of which fill our minds and hearts with darkness – and let grace fill us with gratitude and healing and peace. We must let go of our idols which distract us from the true God and restore to God His true status in our lives – as being the most important reality of our lives and praise God for

the Blessings of faith, years, health, strength and joy in living in His love. Only then can we see the light and feel the hope of promise of a wonderful world made more beautiful daily by God presence with us this and every day into eternity. Amen! Fr. Gene



At its October meeting, the **Retired Men's Auxiliary of Patapsco Council** voted to terminate its existence. The limited health and capabilities of the few surviving members of this once glorious adjunct of our council has forced this drastic decision. The final meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at the Beaumont council home commencing at 11:30 A.M. This final formal activity will consist of the usual no charge Christmas Party for all members. This meeting will be an opportunity for all the remaining members of Patapsco Council Retired Men's Auxiliary to once again enjoy each other's company, and to say farewell. In order to obtain an accurate count of people who will attend the Christmas party, we request that ALL PERSONS who are planning to attend, please advise either Tom Walsh (443-928-9911) or George Heath (410-747-0159) by Monday December 9.

## Beaumont News

In need of a place to hold your next party, consider using the Council Home.

The Council Office (410-744-8754).



Please remember the following people in your prayers:

PGK Bob Carhardt; PGK Reggie DiSante; Robert Hoffman; Tom Slifker; Rosemary Bennett; PGK Ed Canter; John Lackey; Peggy Baldwin; Robert Middlecamp

Please say a prayer for the families of the recently deceased:

Rita Eberling

# Council Programs — PGK Barry Casanova, Program Director

Brothers and Patapsco Council family: I trust all had a great Thanksgiving and now the blessed Season of Christmas has arrived. We have many holiday Council events to supplement your own plans with family and friends. Consider inviting them to each to share the joy, especially to the Heart of Maryland Chorus which starts the season off in song. Surge for Service reports are due again immediately after the New Year, no rest for the weary, so please try to get drafts with pictures to me by Dec 20<sup>th</sup> if the event has already taken place, or NLT December 28<sup>th</sup> if it is a late December event like the Children's Party. A good report should aim for about 600 words plus pictures. I know that this is early, but it is dictated by holiday schedules. Note that Meeting nights are atypical this month due to performances and Christmas. Our Council Home still needs your support so keep talking up Hall rentals! My wife Karen and I wish each and all of you a wonderful Christmas and sincerest hopes for a Happy and Healthy New Year. Mary, Queen of Knights, pray for us.

PGK Barry Casanova,  
Program Director

**CHURCH** — PGK Mike Doetzer, Chairman: It's Christmas. Maintain the Reason for the Season in your hearts. Thanks for your help this past year and look forward to a prayerful and good 2014.

**COMMUNITY** — Mike Blair: Blood Drive coming up! Plus a Sock HOP on Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>. See the flyer in the online PK for more information.

**COUNCIL** — DGK Scott Luco: Dec

11<sup>th</sup>, 8 pm. The Heart of Maryland Chorus. Bring guests for this great annual event.

**CULTURE OF LIFE** — Lecturer Tim McCarthy: St. Polycarp fundraiser in February. Continue your prayers.

**FAMILY** — Chancellor Bernie Wrisk: Results of October 15<sup>th</sup> Dine out and raise funds at the Greene Turtle, Hanover, MD are now final. We received a check from Greene Turtle for \$796.00!!! We will go back to them again in the future. We could not work out a Dine out fundraiser in December, but are set to have one in January. Thanks to Ed Schmitt, we are going to get a similar deal as above at the Bare Bones in Ellicott City on Tuesday, Jan 21. Bare Bones will give us 10% of all proceeds in the bar room only between 5:00 pm and 9:00 pm. Be sure to tell the hostess you need to sit in the bar room to benefit the Knights of Columbus. Make a note of the date and be sure to talk it up with friends. Any suggestions for future Dine Out establishments contact Bernie Wrisk at 443-604-8372 or bwrisk@verizon.net.

**YOUTH** — David Slade: Children's Christmas Party/Pancake Breakfast w/Mrs. Claus, Saturday, December 14, 9:00 to 10:30 am at Council Hall. Breakfast starts at 9:00, and Mrs. Claus arrives at 9:30 to provide face painting and balloons for the children. Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest, Saturday, January 25, 12:30 to 3:30 pm at Trinity School Gym, 4985 Ilchester Road, Ellicott City. Show up anytime and shoot 15 free throws. Contest for boys & girls ages 10-14. Must be this age as of 1/1/14. One winner for each age group. Contact

David Slade for more info: davidslade@verizon.net or call 443-386-5057.

**CHARITY** — Chancellor Bernie Wrisk: Results of The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Catonsville Couples Night Out on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> are final. We welcomed 162 paying guests (45 more than last year). The DJ and Band were both great! The food was awesome, the wheels were spinning and the bar was hopping. We raised \$2,055 for our charities (more than double last year). It couldn't have been done without the help of many brother Knights including: Bernie Wrisk, DGK Scott Luco, Dave Slade, WGK Warren Norris, Ed Schmitt, Ed Fuller, PGK Dennis Brose, PGK Ken Horvitz, Brian Ensey, Joe Eickelman, Matt Toomey, Mark Bateman, Mike Karpers, Ron Paul, Pat Young Sr, Marty, Dave Quigly, Rick Ostopovicz, Vince Fiduccia, Mike Doetzer, Barry Casanova.

**VOCATIONS** — Chancellor

Bernie Wrisk: Our RSVP candidate will be visiting us at Christmas time. Contact me for details.

**FOURTH DEGREE** — Ernie Schaefer: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus Assembly will hold a Christmas Party on December 15, 2013 from 5:00 to 9:00 pm at the St. Agnes Council Hall.

**SUPREME COUNCIL** — In a case of neighbor helping neighbor following the destruction caused by Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines, Knights of Columbus delivered food, water and other necessities during a relief operation.

**STATE COUNCIL** — Having a Knights of Columbus license tag on your car shows everyone on the road that you are a Knight. Knights of Columbus License Plate Chairman Glenn Wilmer is always eager to take your order. You can find the order form on the State web site; or, call Glenn at 410-879-0916.

**Send any items for the next newsletter by the 20th of the month to rickounc@gmail.com or call 410-207-0939.**

## FAMILY OF THE MONTH

Our council recognizes Brian Ensey and his family as our Family of the Month. Active council member Brian and his wife Laura have raised their two children, Mary (24) and Thomas (18) in the Catholic faith as parishioners of Transfiguration Catholic Community. They enjoy working as volunteers at a variety of tasks to help out in their community. Brian and Laura believe their family bond is due to their faith and commitment to attending church as a family.

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

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## The Church on Healthcare—Co-Editor Tim McCarthy

As the healthcare discussion continues it is helpful to include the thoughts of Cardinal Timothy Dolan, recently retired President of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. On September 13, he said, "The Catholic Church in America has long been a leader in providing affordable health care, and in advocating for policies that advance that goal. The bishops on a national level have been at it for almost one hundred years, and our heroic women and men religious have done so even longer. Yet, instead of spending our time, energy, and treasure on increasing access to health care, as we have done for many decades, we're now forced to spend those resources on determining how to respond to recently enacted government regulations that restrict and burden our religious freedom. Catholics - our parents and grandparents, religious sisters, brothers and priests - were among the first at the table to advance and provide health care, and now we are being burdened because of the same Catholic values that compel us into these ministries! All this in a country that puts religious liberty first on the list of its most cherished freedoms."

**Patapsco's Annual Men's Retreat at Loyola Retreat House:** Mark your calendars now for the weekend of March 7-9, 2014 for our annual retreat. This year's theme is "Rivers of Living Water". Think about joining your Brother Knights & friends for a weekend away to recharge your spiritual needs. For more information, contact PGK Tom Slifker 410-465-3485 or Tim McCarthy 443-610-7584.

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**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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## *Fabulous 50's Sock Hop*

Patapso Council 1960 Hall  
1010 Frederick Road  
Catonsville, MD 21228

*Sunday, January 26, 2014 (Snow date is Feb. 23)*

*1:00 – 5:00 pm*

**Featuring the wonderful sound of the "Big Bopper" and a DJ for musical entertainment.**

*Menu: hot roast beef, hot turkey, gravy, red skin potatoes, Caesar salad, green beans, roll & butter*

*Dessert: Cherrie's Jubilee over vanilla ice cream*

*Food prepared by Chef Michael Karpers and the Beaumont crew.*

*Beer, wine and soda*

**Ticket prices: \$25:00 in advance or \$30:00 at the door.**

*Prize for best 50's costume and a prize for the hula hoop contest, as well as door prizes.*

**For tickets and information, please contact Ken Horvitz at 410-218-8527 or [kenhorvitz@hotmail.com](mailto:kenhorvitz@hotmail.com), or Debbie Silvestri at 410-744-8754 (Mon-Fri, 9:00am - 1:00pm) or [rentals@beaumontHall.com](mailto:rentals@beaumontHall.com).**