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COUNCILAIRS

Bel Air Council 4714

23 Newport Drive, Forest Hill, MD 21050



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Grand Knight's Message

A great big thank you goes to Tom and Nancy Classon and Sharon and Guy DiMatteo for leading the Council's effort to host the hospitality room at the 2013 Maryland State Convention. It's a big job planning and carrying off the theme of community service being always under construction and preparing the food and beverage for two full evening hospitality rooms, plus a couple of breakfasts. Great job! Of course, they had help from others in Bel Air council including Dick and Dee Kozlowski, Kevin and Gilly McNamara and LuAnne Belmonte. Also members of other councils pitched in to help in keeping the hospitality room functioning smoothly. Sharon's food was delicious and Tom's alcoholic concoctions were without equal! Others attending the convention from the Council were the Pat Ruckle and Curt Maudlin families. Wayne Davis, and I were the delegates to the convention and Bernie Classon was the first alternate. I'm including a few pictures to give you just a taste of what was going on during the three day convention.



Figure 2: Walking to Convention Mass



Figure 3: Tom Classon in the Hospitality Room



Figure 1: Grand Knight Olympics



Figure 4: Recovering from Hospitality Room Visits

Bel Air Council 4714 Monthly Schedule of Events

First Tuesday - 7:30 pm - **Business meeting** - open to KC members only

Second Tuesday - 7:00 pm - **Home Corporation meeting** - open to KC members and invited guests

Third Tuesday - 7:00 pm - **Social Meeting** - open to general public

Fourth Tuesday - 7:00 pm - **Officers' Meeting** - open to KC members and invited guests

All Fridays - 7:00 pm - **Bingo** (board is lit) - open to the general public

I'd like to welcome three new members to the Council - Chuck Duvall (readmission), Andre Fournier (transfer) and Bob Bugle, who took his First Degree on May 7 (Figure 5).



Figure 5: Bob Bugle - New first degree member

During the April social and May business meeting, I presented length of service pins to several members:

- 25-year pins: Earnie Boyd, Bernie Classon, Frank DiAngelo, Joe Klein, John Knapstein, Tom Krista, Jerry Wagner and Bob Cassilly
- 50-year pins: Paul Zarachowicz and Ralph Durham
- Honorary Life Pins: Charlie Belli, Tom Sutera, Paul Zarachowicz and Al Kramer

On May 21, we held our annual Marian devotion. Thank you to Victor Ferrara, Tom Sutera and Sharon for organizing the event and providing the food afterwards. Thank you to Maria Vigliante (Figure 6), the founder of the Bel Air ladies' auxiliary, for crowning the Blessed Mother. Kudos to John Knapstein for organizing a silent auction of some religious articles donated by the DiCocco family. We raised \$150 that will be donated to Birthright.



Figure 6: Maria Vigliante with the Blessed Virgin Mary

Circle June 18 on your calendar as this will be the final social of this fraternal year. At that social, I will be recognizing those men and women who made significant contributions to the council this fraternal year. I'll be culminating the session by naming the Knight of the Year and the Lady of the Year.

On June 29 after the 4:00 p.m. Mass, St. Mark's Church will be hosting a patriotic rosary for the Fortnight for Freedom. On behalf of our Council, I will lead one decade of the rosary. All Knights and their families are invited to attend the 4:00 p.m. Mass, followed immediately by the patriotic rosary program. Light refreshments will be provided after the program that will last about 45 minutes.

On Sunday June 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., DGK Al DiCocco and Trustee PGK Dick Kozlowski will be hosting a fifth Sunday breakfast. If you plan to attend, please give Al or Dick a call or send them an email letting them know in advance.

Plan on attending the installation of new officers for fraternal year 2013 - 2014 on Sunday, July 14 at 3:00 p.m. See the enclosed flyer for details about the event. All are welcome, but reservations and payment must be made to me by July 3.

Finally, I would like to thank all my brother Knights and their families for according me the great honor of being the Grand Knight of our wonderful council for the past two years. LuAnne and I have enjoyed the experience to its fullest. We look forward to continue to be involved with the Council and its members' families, our friends, for many years to come in new and different roles. I pray that the council will continue to serve as a meaningful beacon of service to our churches and community for years to come.

Dick Belmonte, Grand Knight, 410-838-6329,
rbbelmon@gmail.com

District Deputy

My brother Knights,

I was happy to see so many of you at the State Convention in Ocean City. I wish to thank Tom Classon, Sharon DiMatteo, Shirley Kern, and all the others who were involved in running the District 16 Hospitality Room this year. The food and atmosphere were wonderful, thanks to them.

At this year's convention, approximately \$10,000 was collected for the Ultrasound Fund. The cost of one of these machines has dropped to about \$26,000, and as you know, Supreme will match what the state puts in. That means we have nearly enough for one machine just from what was collected at the convention. If you're looking for a worthy charity to which you can donate, there are none better and more rewarding.

At this time of year, you should be making plans for the coming fraternal year. Be sure to participate in your council's election, which should be occurring at the June business meeting. Then the council needs to plan the installation for July or August, and all the other activities for the summer, like picnics, car raffle sales, etc. I urge you to get involved in these activities. It's not fair for the same group of men to do all the work. You joined the Knights to make a difference. Please step up before you are asked.

If you have a candidate and need a first or second degree scheduled, please contact me. Otherwise,

there are others in nearby districts, and our first scheduled degree in the district is in August.

Upcoming district events:

- May - Various Memorial Day parades and other activities. Please participate.

Some state activities coming up:

- 7 June - Third Degree Exemplification at Patapsco Council
- 28 June - Grand Knight's Seminar at Mt. St. Mary's
- 6 July - State Installation

Reflect upon our Worthy State Deputy's motto: "Strengthening the bonds of faith and fraternity".

Walt Williams, District Deputy #16

Social Schedule

- June 21, 7:00 p.m. - Special Awards Program
Our Grand Knight, Richard Belmonte, will present special awards to Brother Knights and to the Ladies. This is a special event you will not want to miss it. Refreshments will be served after the ceremony. Richard Belmonte will be chairing this event.
- June 30, 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Fifth Sunday Breakfast
We'll be serving our traditional Fifth Sunday Breakfast on June 30. On the menu will be Scrambled Eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, waffles, French toast, coffee, tea, milk, juice etc. Come join us and bring a friend or someone who might be interested in becoming a Knight; this will be a great way to introduce them, while we share a delicious meal and enjoy each other's company. And if any of you can come early and/or stay late to help out on the kitchen, it will be greatly appreciated. Al DiCocco and Dick Kozlowski are chairing this event.

Albert DiCocco, DGK

Fraternal Benefits

Don't assume you can't afford Disability Income Insurance

One of the biggest mistakes you can make regarding disability insurance is to assume you can't afford it or you won't qualify. Before you make that assumption, do some basic research and apply for coverage through the Knights of Columbus. The Order's Income Armor product gives you options that can

help you fit this critical protection into your risk management budget.

For example, here are two ways you can reduce your premium:

1. Choose a two-year or five-year maximum benefit period.

Depending on your age, the best option is probably a policy that pays benefits until you reach age 67. But a two-year or five-year maximum benefit period would cover many types of partial or total disabilities you might encounter in your working life.

2. Choose a longer elimination period.

An elimination period is the number of days a total disability must exist before benefits begin to accrue. Typical elimination periods are 30, 90, or 180 days. Choosing a longer elimination period lowers the policy's premium. But be sure you have enough set aside in your business's contingency fund to account for the longer gap.

As your professional insurance agent, running a small business and the challenges of risk management are two of my specialties. Let's talk about how to protect your business income, your retirement needs, and your family's financial future.

Edward A. O'Keefe, CLU, ChFC, CASL

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Council Activities

Home Corporation/KC Club

Interested in becoming a bartender for Home Corporation or Council functions? The only requirement besides a willingness to help is to attend a TAM's class for Alcohol Awareness Training. On June 24 a class will be held in our Council home. The class runs from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Charge for the class is normally \$70 but there will be no charge for members who wish to attend and agree to be available to tend bar on an occasional basis. Contact Jerry Wagner at 410-638-6489 or Tom Rappold at 443-371-6862 for more information or to register.

Pot of Gold

Each month at the Business Meeting, the Council conducts a "Pot of Gold" drawing. All that is required is your attendance. The prizes range from \$5.00 to \$50.00. After there is a winner, the prize starts at \$5.00 and each month that a name is drawn and the winner is not in attendance, \$5.00 is added to the kitty until it reaches the maximum prize of \$50.00. You must be in attendance to win. See you at the next meeting! The drawing at the May meeting was worth \$50.00, and the name drawn was John Bortz and he was not in attendance. The drawing at the June meeting will remain at \$50.00.

A Word from Your Financial Secretary

Dear Brother Knights – Unfortunately, we had to suspend five brother Knights last month. We hate to lose one member of the Council. Those that were suspended were more than one year in arrears. There are a few members that have not paid their dues for this year. All I ask, if there is a problem in making the payment or any other reason, is to please call me and discuss it. If you no longer desire to be a member of the Bel Air Council or the Knights of Columbus, please send me a note to that effect and be sure to sign it.

Tom Sutera, FS (410) 638-1096

Sick and Deceased

Please remember in your prayers all the Brothers, Ladies, Family Members and Friends who are experiencing serious health problems at this time, especially:

Brothers: Ray Caralle (spine surgery and stroke), Bernie Classon, David Custer Jr., Frank DiAngelo, John Grigaliunas, Raymond Horney, Peter Kozak, Al Kramer, Vince Lagrotterria, Ross Liberati, Vernon West, Bernie Sporney, and Bill Wilhelm.

Ladies: Olga Barkkume, Jean DiAngelo, Kitty DiDio, Juliette Drouin, Joan Keenan, Charlotte Kozak, Owena Liberati, Jean Monahan, Marguerite Ward, Martha West, and Pat Wilhelm.

Family and Friends: Dorothy Dimler, mother of LuAnne Belmonte; Bernice Wilhelm, daughter of Pat and Bill Wilhelm; Tom Ellis, son of Ann Stalling; Barbara McMillan, daughter of Earl and Anna Marie McMillan; Jean Potter, wife of Joseph Potter; John

Wills, grandson of Betty Bourgeois; and John Zito Jr., son of John Zito, Sr.

Our Council mourns the loss of people who passed away this month: Hugh Monahan Jr., Bob Massarelli, and Gregory Paul Knapstein. Please pray for their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed who through the mercy of God rest in peace.

If you know of anyone who is in need of our prayers, please get in touch with me.

Every time you pick up a three leafed clover you behold the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity!

Victor V. Ferrara, 410-569-4171

Church Activities

Fortnight for Freedom Celebration

29 Jun St. Mark's 4:00 p.m. Mass. Fr. Jerry, Council Chaplain and St. Mark's Pastor, is organizing a Patriotic Rosary as a Fortnight for Freedom Celebration. To support this effort the Council will be sponsoring a decade of the rosary. We will celebrate this event on Saturday, June 29 after the 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mark's in Fallston. The Patriotic rosary will be accompanied by readings from our forefathers, church authorities and accompanied with patriotic music. We are looking for as many Knights as possible to participate. This is a great patriotic and religious event for our Council as well as an opportunity to highlight our Bel Air Knight's Council.

Stephen Conley, PGK

Culture of Life

Please join the St. Joseph's Fullerton pro-life group every third Saturday morning at approx. 9:10 a.m., at the Belair Rd. Beltway Plaza, as we pray the rosary outside the Abortion Clinic there. Usually we are only there for about 45 minutes. It's the shopping center just below the 695 Beltway (Overlea exit) on Belair Road, near the Carrabba's Italian Grill. For more information, call Jim Anderson, 410-569-7887/410-515-9012

Reflections by Lawrence P. Grayson ***Today's Pregnancy Choice: Infanticide***

In Nazi Germany, people existed behind a façade that the Holocaust was not happening. There was a blurring of conscience, a numbing of the mind, creating a psychological haze that allowed society to ignore the gruesome, inhumane horrors of Auschwitz, Buchenwald and Dachau. In the United States, 40 years of jaded rhetoric about women's rights, choice, fetuses, and women's health, while never mentioning the child, motherhood and God, has deluded the American mind allowing over 50 million unborn children to be killed through the "mother's choice."

Now the trial of Kermit Gosnell, the Philadelphia abortionist, has provided a long-overdue glimpse into the unregulated abortion industry and of the abortionist's insensitivity toward human life and callous disregard for the health of mother and child. The public has come face-to-face with the reality that pregnancy means the mother bears a child, who quickly forms fingers and toes, has a beating heart, responds to stimuli and can feel pain. As Gosnell's attorney said: "Abortion isn't pretty. It's bloody. It's real." And the reality is that abortion is a violent and brutal practice that kills the child. Murder is being committed routinely, not only of children in the womb, but increasingly of infants delivered alive.

A worker at Gosnell's abortion clinic, testified she saw him cut the necks of babies who were delivered alive at least 30 times. After the birth of one late-term child, clinic employees heard the baby cry before Gosnell came into their room with the dead infant, an incision in its neck, and tossed it into the waste bin.

In his clinic, police found lifeless bodies stuffed in cat food containers, in jars of toxic fluid, ground in garbage disposals, flushed down toilets, and stored along with employees' lunches in a refrigerator. The unrepentant abortionist has been sentenced to three life terms in prison.

Gosnell is not a rare outlier in the abortion industry. A series of videos recorded by Live Action, Life Dynamics, and Operation Rescue show that his brutal, gruesome practices and the killing of new born children are common throughout the country.

At the Aaron Women's Clinic in Houston, Texas, late-term abortionist Douglas Karpen regularly allowed late-term babies to be born alive. Then, he would either cut the spinal cord, introduce an instrument into the soft-spot of the fetus, suffocate the child by putting his finger down its windpipe, or twist "the head off the neck with his own bare hands." When one child was born alive on the facility's hallway floor, the abortionist simply "put it in a trash bag" and left it to die.

At Emily's Women's Health Center in the Bronx, New York, staff members explained the clinic's late-term abortion procedures to a pregnant undercover reporter. She was told that it was unlikely her baby would come out in one piece as they would do a suction abortion. The pregnancy would be terminated "inside the body" and then the baby's parts removed. When asked what would happen if after the abortion the baby was still breathing, a counselor responded that they would "put it in a container – like, a jar – with solution...The solution will make it stop." When asked what to do if she delivered the child at home during the two-day abortion procedure, the counselor said: "If it comes out, then it comes out. Flush it."

At A Gyn Diagnostic Center in Hialeah, Florida, Sycloria Williams had a botched abortion in 2006. Her baby was born alive and then killed. It took investigators one week and three separate searches to find the corpse of the infant girl. Her body had been hidden on the roof or in the dropped ceiling of the abortion clinic, and later placed in a biohazard bag within a medical-waste box. It was badly decomposed, discolored and infested with maggots. No one was successfully held responsible for the infant's death in either criminal or civil court.

At his Washington, DC, clinic, Dr. Cesare F. Santangelo was videotaped saying that no baby has ever been born alive during the late-term abortions he performs. He reassured a 26-weeks pregnant undercover reporter that if "you delivered before we got to the termination part of the procedure...we would not help it. We wouldn't intubate." He added: "It's all in how vigorously you do things to help a fetus survive at this point."

LeRoy Carhart, who operates both in Maryland and Nebraska, is one of only four abortionists in the

country who admit that they perform abortions past 26 weeks, a period when the baby, with medical care, can survive. In an undercover video, he jokingly tells an investigator for Live Action, who is in an advanced state of pregnancy, about taking her unborn baby out in pieces with "a pickaxe, a drill bit." He also says that during the lengthy abortion procedure she will be carrying a dead baby for three days. During that time the baby "gets soft and mushy," saying, "It's like putting meat in a Crock-Pot"...like meat "in a slow cooker." Is this not reminiscent of the cremation ovens of Buchenwald?

How can humanity become degraded to the point of killing new born children and treating them like trash? How can a person tell a mother to flush her baby down the toilet? Have consciences become so distorted that a doctor can snip a baby's spinal cord, place it in a jar of toxic liquid, or stuff it in a bag as medical waste?

What can the future of our nation be when we routinely violate the Commandments of God? When we take an innocent child's life, which we have declared to be a God-given, unalienable right? When we have given women license to choose death for their unborn children?

As a nation, we should reflect on the words of Thomas Jefferson, "I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just: that his justice cannot sleep for ever." Pray for an end of abortion. Pray for our country. Pray for your family.



Catholic Ladies Service Organization

The Applebee's fund raiser breakfast was a great success. Everyone enjoyed good food, great service and pleasant fellowship. Many thanks go to Karen Warner for coordinating this event. Special thanks to all our wonderful Greeters, Hostesses, Servers, Kitchen Help and especially the folks who made it a such a nice event by joining us for breakfast

Mary Ann Jung was superb as Julia Child. Bravo! In addition to an unforgettable show we enjoyed a fabulous covered dish supper. YUM! Thanks to Pat Lijewski for chairing this lovely enjoyable event.

At our May business meeting we updated the prayer chain and added a new twist with a "Thank You Jesus" segment. Everyone who received an answer to a prayer or a special blessing shared their joy and gratitude and all shouted "Thank You Jesus!" Our meeting night 'Extra' was BINGO! Thanks go to

Terry Lijewski for calling and Dick Kozlowski for serving as our runner. Winners received lotto scratch offs.

Card night is June 10th. Elections for officers and Woman of the Year will be June 11. Call Jean Milham, if you want to run for office. June's meeting night 'extra' is, "Fire Safety." Don't miss it. It may save your life!

July 7, 2013 (Sunday) the CLSO will hold a Hawaiian Luau at the Newport Room. 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 pm.m \$25 per person, catering by Sharon DiMatteo.

Respectfully submitted by:

Dee Kozlowski, Past President, 410-676-2862
(substituting for vacationing **Sharon DiMatteo**,
CLSO President, 410-879-7633)



Bel Air Knights of Columbus Council 4714 and Catholic Ladies Service Organization *Installation of Officers*

Sunday, July 14, 2013

Newport Terrace

23 Newport Drive

Forest Hill, Maryland

3:00 - Installation Mass

4:30 - Social

5:00 - Dinner and Program

\$5.00 per person

Please make your reservation and send payment before July 3 to:

Dick Belmonte

110 N. Lynbrook Road

Bel Air, MD 21014

rbbelmon@gmail.com

Preferred dress for the event is jacket and tie for gentlemen and similar attire for women

Menu

Assorted Cheese & Veggie Platter / Fruit Display / Crackers & Dip/Hawaiian Meatballs

Garden Salad / Choice of Two Dressings

Sliced Roast Beef and Gravy

Chicken Marsala with Fresh Mushrooms

Buttered Mashed Potato, Corn, Rolls & Butter

Sheet Cake



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