



# COUNCILAIRS

## Bel Air Council 4714



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### **Grand Knight's Message**



In June we celebrate Flag Day. Flag Day falls within National Flag Week, a time when Americans reflect on the foundations of the nation's freedom. The flag of the United States represents freedom and has been an enduring symbol of the country's ideals since its early days. Americans also remember their loyalty to the nation, reaffirm their belief in liberty and justice, and observe the nation's unity.

We keep hearing that being a Knight makes a difference but did you know that: the Knights of Columbus initiated a campaign in 1951 to lobby for the public adoption of the phrase "under God" in the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance. The Order's Board of Directors had amended the pledge's recitation at Fourth Degree assembly meetings and encouraged congressional representatives to adopt the same language nationwide. One year after Supreme Knight Hart took office in 1953, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a law that officially added the words "under God" to the pledge.

In June we close out our fraternal year and look forward to preparing for a new Council administration and our continued involvement in programs that strengthen our local and Catholic Communities. To move forward we must reflect on what we have accomplished in the past year to determine how we should move forward.

This past year we made great strides in "Creating a Presence" in our Community. We took on new programs at St. Margaret's like the French Fry and Lemonade Stand and dinner for the St. Margaret's School production of "The Little Mermaid." We handed out Keep Christ in Christmas Buttons and held

a Shrove Tuesday Dinner at St. Mark's. We hosted an educational event at The John Carroll School on "The Day of the Unborn." We brought in 13 new members; a myriad of new faces. We readied a First Degree Team for State Level completion only to get snowed out but we took home two State Honors for our outstanding efforts in our Tootsie Roll Campaign.

It was a job well done and I thank every single one of you for what you have done to make Bel Air Council a great organization. We have a lot to be proud of. It has been an honor serving as your Grand Knight this year.

Vivat Jesus,

**Stephen Conley**, Grand Knight, 443-417-7538,  
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### **District Deputy**

My brother Knights,

On behalf of the entire district, I want to thank Corpus Christi DGK Alan Jordan and his wife Kimberly for hosting the district hospitality room at the MD State Convention. The planning and execution of a military themed room were hard work, I know. With the help of several volunteers from throughout the district, they pulled off a fitting tribute to our military, while feeding us and making us comfortable all weekend long. We are grateful. Congratulations also to Bel Air Council for winning two prizes at the convention for the Intellectual Disabilities program (Tootsie Rolls)!

June is the last month of the Fraternal year. Several councils in our district are within reach of Star Council. We cannot ease up (at any time) on our recruiting efforts. Don't let the work you have done all year go to waste. Your council needs new members to breathe new life into your programs and keep it alive! Every member is responsible for recruiting them. Let me know if I can help in any way.

## **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

If you haven't heard by now, we have a newly elected slate of state officers. Our State Deputy-elect is Stephen Adamczyk of Germantown, MD. Our State Warden-elect is Christopher Powers of Leonardtown, MD. The other state officers each moved up one position. I am very pleased to announce your newly designated District Deputy for the coming fraternal year, Richard "Dick" Belmonte, PGK of Bel Air Council. His District Warden is David Meneghini, PGK of Corpus Christi Council. By mid-June, I will have introduced your new DD personally to each council at your business meeting. Please be sure to introduce yourself to both of these gentlemen. I have no doubt that the district is in good hands.

This being my final message as your DD, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank you on behalf of DW Tom Classon and our wives, Pam and Nancy. When I joined the Knights of Columbus I wanted to provide my time and talent to the community and church, but I also wanted to meet some good people in the area who shared my values and beliefs. I never imagined the number of new friends I would meet in this journey. You have all welcomed us with open arms into your councils and your lives. I am honored to have been asked to serve as your District Deputy. You are truly living your faith and honoring the oaths taken in the degree exemplifications of our order. I look forward to continuing our friendship in the years to come.

### **Upcoming district events:**

- 1 June - Immaculate Conception prayer service at Corpus Christi Council (Prince of Peace church)
- 6-7 June - "Fiesta" fundraiser for Prince of Peace church - Corpus Christi Council
- 13 June - Golf Tournament fundraiser for Immaculate Conception Church - Bishop Becker council
- 14 June - Flag pole dedication and Flag Day Dance at Corpus Christi Council (Prince of Peace church)
- 14 June - Strawberry Festival - Good Shepherd Church - Havre de Grace council

### **Upcoming State Council events:**

- 12 June - Baltimore Chapter of GK's meeting - Fr. Leo Abendschoen Council in Rosedale
- 19 June - March for Marriage in Washington DC
- 21 June - Opening mass for Fortnight for Freedom at Basilica in Baltimore
- 28 June - State officer installation and mass

Remember our Worthy State Deputy's motto for this year: "While proclaiming peace with your lips, have it even more fully in your heart."

Vivat Jesus,

**Walt Williams**, District Deputy #16

### **Fraternal Benefits**

#### ***The value of life insurance for children***

As a father, you worry about your children and do many things to protect them. We try to raise them right and make sure they are prepared to become adults. But have you ever thought about buying life insurance on your child?

When you insure a child, you are protecting his or her future. Did you know that one out of every six adults get rated, postponed, or denied for insurance coverage? If you purchase a policy for your child from the Knights of Columbus, it guarantees that more insurance can be purchased for that child without proving insurability.

Unfortunately, as fathers we don't have a crystal ball to tell us the future of our children. Your child could eventually have a rare disease, cancer, or be overweight. Did you know you can purchase a child's policy, in many cases, for less than \$10 a month?

I've heard it said that people don't want to "profit" from the death of a child, so they won't purchase coverage on their children. God forbid something tragic happens, those funds can come in handy at a time when finances will be the last thing on a parent's

mind. I have never heard a story about someone who regretting buying coverage on a child.

Contact me today to discuss the many policy options for child plans, including 10- and 20-Pay life insurance.

**Edward A. O'Keefe**, CLU, ChFC, CASL  
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## **Council Activities**

### ***55th Council Anniversary Party***

The Bel Air Council celebrated our 55th Anniversary of our Institution of our Council. We celebrated at a Social Meeting at that time. We feel we would like to have a party on Sunday June 22nd at the Council Home. The time will be from 1:00 to 5:00 PM. We will be enjoying picnic type food that will be catered and there will be music for your dancing pleasure. We invite all members of your family to attend and dress will be casual (shorts and light sport type shirts or tops are fine). The cost of this fine affair is \$5.00 per adult. Children under 12 are free. Call Tom Sutera at 410 638-1096 to make your reservations. We are planning on around 100 members and guests. Please call as soon as possible and make your reservations. Payment must be in one week prior to the party. Hope to see all of you there!

**Tom Sutera**

### ***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 name drawn at the May meeting was Dennis Hall and he was not in attendance. The drawing at the June meeting will remain at \$50.00.

**Tom Sutera**

### ***A Word from Your Financial Secretary***

Brothers; We are almost half way through this Council year. There are a few Brother Knights that have not paid their dues. Please check your wallet and check if you possess a current membership card indicating

good through 12/31/14. Remember it is your responsibility to keep your dues current. For many of our members, both active and inactive, if you need to contact me, Financial Secretary, please check the reverse side of your membership card and all the information you need to contact me are there. May God Bless All Our Brother Knights!

**Tom Sutera** FS (410) 638-1096

### ***First Degree Team***

My thanks in great abundance to those brothers who have given of their time to take a role on our council's first degree team. We've had a very successful year this year; and it may not be over yet: We're waiting to find out if there will be candidates for a first degree at our business meeting on June 3. We exemplified the first degree to three new brother Knights on Thursday, April 24, as that was the only day that at least one candidate in particular was available for a degree. One interesting note to that degree: Supreme has directed that all first degrees exemplified over the last quarter of the fraternal year will be in honor of Saints John XXIII and John Paul II. Our three newest Knights were presented with commemorative certificates indicating that they received their degrees in honor of the Church's newest saints.

We can use covers for every speaking role on the team. If you're willing to cover a speaking part, please get in touch with me as soon as possible so we can get you started.

V/J,

**Kevin McNamara**, DGK, Team Captain

### ***Fourth Degree***

St. Francis Xavier Assembly, at its monthly meeting on May 19, elected its new officers for the 2014-2015 fraternal year. Those new officers will be:

- Faithful Navigator Mike Clemens
- Faithful Captain Don Kern
- Faithful Pilot Dave Meneghini
- Faithful Admiral Kevin McNamara
- Faithful Scribe Walt Williams
- Faithful Comptroller Pete Bogdan
- Faithful Purser Guy Williamson
- Faithful Inner Sentinel Tim Byrne
- Faithful Inner Sentinel Chris Kern
- Faithful Outer Sentinel Jerry Wagner

- Faithful Trustee Bernie Classon
- Faithful Trustee Tom Classon
- Faithful Trustee Andy Branigan

Congratulations to the new officers, who take their offices July 1 at the start of the fraternal year. Remember, there is no longer any waiting period for any interested Third Degree Knight in good standing to become a Fourth Degree Knight. The next exemplification currently scheduled in the Maryland district is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, March 7, in Frederick, MD. To become a Fourth Degree Knight, contact any Sir Knight in the council.

V/J,  
**Kevin McNamara**, Faithful Navigator St. Francis Xavier Assembly

***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; Bernie Classon; David Custer, Jr.; Frank DiAngelo; William Edge, Sr.; John Grigaliunas; Raymond Horney; Pete Kozak; Al Kramer; Ross Liberati; Bernie Sporney; Vernon West; Bill Wilcox, Len Phillips, and John Welsh.

Ladies: Olga Barkkume, Jean DiAngelo, Juliette Drouin, Joan Keenan, Charlotte Kozak, Owena Liberati, Jean Monahan, Marguerite Ward, Martha West, Mary Sporney, Pat Wilhelm, Pat Bucci, and Betty Bourgeois.

Family and Friends: Dorothy Dimler, mother of LuAnne Belmonte; Tom Ellis, son of Ann Stallings; Molly Murphy, 25 year old in a coma and needs prayers; Jean Potter, wife of Joseph Potter; Regina Pisani, wife of Joe Pisani; John Wills, grandson of Betty Bourgeois; John Zito, Jr., son of John Zito, Sr.; and Edie, wife of Ron Krebs.

Also, please pray for the repose of the soul of Barbara McMillan, (the daughter of Anna Marie and Earl McMillan), who fought a brave and courageous battle with cancer. May her soul and the souls of all the

faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

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

**Victor V. Ferrara**, 410-569-4171

**Youth Activities**

The Pack and Troop joined together on their meeting night of April 19 to refresh the flower beds and remove some broken tree limbs from this winter's ravages. Most importantly the scouts weeded and mulched Mary's Garden.

Troop 999 was Honor Guard at the Opening Day Ceremony for the Forest Hill Parks and Recreation Little League on Saturday, April 26.

May 2 through the 4<sup>th</sup> was a busy week end for Troop 999. Five scouts were called out for Order of the Arrow, Josh Card, Matt Abel, Austin Gusler, Aaron Tarcza, and Cameron Blomquist all qualified. After being nominated, the candidates take part in a call-out ceremony where they participate in an ordeal induction intended to emphasize service and self-sacrifice. Candidates undergo a vow of silence, spend a night sleeping alone with no shelter, receive little food, and perform arduous labor. Congratulations to these new members to the Order of the Arrow.

**Joe Pisani**

**Community Activities**

**Perry Point Program**

The Bel Air Council will be assisting patients at Perry Point on the first Sundays of the month. We will once again be looking for help on the first Sunday of June (1st) for our turn to aid the patients at Perry Point. If you would like to join us, we leave from the McDonalds on 543 in Riverside at 9:30 AM, or you may want to join us at the Chapel in Perry Point at 10:00 AM. Mass is at 10:30 AM. After returning the patients to their various buildings, we usually return to Riverside by noon. If you are unable to help with patients, you are very welcome to join us at Mass with Father Jonathon. If you want more information call Tom Sutera at (410) 638-1096 or Pat Dolan at (410) 679-7058.

**Tom Sutera**

**Catholic Ladies Service Organization**

June will be a busy month for the Catholic Ladies Service Organization. On Sunday, June 8th we will be supporting our Veterans at Perry Point VA Hospital. They are having a Car Show and Cook-out. There are going to be about 125 vintage cars at this car show and the food is expected to be great typical cook out cuisine. Additionally there will be vendors attending with freebees including Rita’s Ice. Everyone is welcome. This should be a fun event for the Vets and for the volunteers as well. If you wish to participate, contact Pat Lijewski - 410-879-5872. We will be meeting at the main gate about noon. Because of security requirements you will have to sign in, so be sure to bring photo ID.

We will be having election of officers at our June 10th Business meeting, and will also be voting for our Lady of the Year. Our CLSO Birthday party is scheduled for Sunday, August 10th 1 P.M. at Mamie’s Restaurant in the Beards Hill Shopping Center, Aberdeen. All members in good standing are welcome. Cost is \$15.00. Call Sharon DiMatteo– 410-879-7633 to confirm your reservation.

Dues for 2014-2015 are now payable. Dues have been increased to \$20 because of increased expenses. Deadline is September 1st. Please pay your dues as soon as possible, at the June meeting or by mail to our Treasurer Karen Warner, 1021 Barrymore Dr., Bel Air, MD - 21014.

There will be an informational card included with your CLSO newsletter. We ask that you return this card with your address, telephone number and email address so that we can update our data bank.

Our Saint of the Month for June is St. Margaret and our color is yellow. Remember to wear or carry something yellow to the June meeting. Also say a prayer to St. Margaret during June. St. Margaret's feast day is July 20. She was martyred during the Roman persecutions in 304 A.D.

The Executive Committee is working on events for the next fraternal year. Please contact one of the officers if you have any suggestions or questions. All ideas and comments will be considered.

Have a happy, safe summer.

*Dee Kozlowski* –President CLSO 410-676-2862

**Council Calendar**

	<b>JUN</b>	<b>Event</b>
		BSA Units, Troop 999, Cub Pack 999, and Venture Crew
Sun	<b>1</b>	Perry Point
Tue	<b>3</b>	Business Meeting / <b>Council Elections</b>
Tue	<b>10</b>	Home Corps Meeting
Tue	<b>17</b>	Social Meeting
Tue	<b>17</b>	Family of the Month
Sun	<b>22</b>	55 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic Party
Tue	<b>24</b>	Officers’ Meeting

## **News from Supreme**

### ***Saint John Paul II National Shrine Filled with Pilgrims Following National Mass of Thanksgiving in Washington for New Pope Saints***

5/11/2014

A national celebration of the newly canonized St. John XXIII and St. John Paul II concluded with a procession of several hundred people from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception to the Saint John Paul II National Shrine on Sunday, May 11.

The procession was led by an honor guard of more than 100 Fourth Degree Knights. Cardinal Donald Wuerl, archbishop of Washington, who served as the principal celebrant and homilist at the Mass, carried the blood relic of St. John Paul II in the procession back to its shrine. Supreme Chaplain, Archbishop William Lori of Baltimore, had previously carried the relic into the Basilica at the start of the Mass.

Once the procession reached the Saint John Paul II National Shrine, the Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò, read a papal greeting commending the work of the shrine. In his remarks, Supreme Knight Carl Anderson quoted Pope Francis at the recent canonization in which the Holy Father repeated Pope Benedict XVI's words at the beatification of St. John Paul II:

"He opened to Christ the society, the culture, the political and economic systems, intervening with the strength of a giant — strength that came to him from God — a tendency which could seem irreversible. With his witness of faith, of love and of apostolic courage, accompanied by a great human drive, this exemplary son of the Polish nation helped Christians worldwide not to be afraid to call themselves Christians, to belong to the Church, to speak of the Gospel. In a word, he helped us not to be afraid of the truth, because the truth is the guarantee of freedom."

Cardinal Wuerl thanked the supreme knight for his vision in making the Saint John Paul II National Shrine a reality and, in the Shrine's chapel, presented a painting of St. John Paul II to the supreme knight, supreme chaplain, deputy supreme knight and several other supreme officers and directors, including the Executive Director of the shrine, Patrick Kelly.

The day's ceremonies were internationally televised on EWTN, Salt and Light Television, Catholic Television of Boston, New Evangelization Television of Brooklyn, and Telecare of Rockville Center.

### ***Remarks at the St. John Paul II Shrine***

by

***Carl A. Anderson***

Supreme Knight, Knights of Columbus

May 11, 2014

May it please Your Eminences, Your Excellencies, Reverend Fathers, Deacons, Religious, my brother Knights of Columbus, ladies and friends: may I begin with a word of gratitude.

First, to His Eminence Donald Cardinal Wuerl, whose dedication and steadfast support has made this shrine, first as an archdiocesan shrine, and now as a national shrine, a reality.

Second, we must thank His Eminence Adam Cardinal Maida, who more than two decades ago envisioned a great cultural center dedicated to the life and mission of this pope. He began a journey then that has brought us to this day.

We are also grateful to His Eminence Justin Cardinal Rigali, who was so instrumental in recent months in having this archdiocesan shrine announced as a national shrine for John Paul II.

And we are deeply grateful to the personal representative of our Holy Father Pope Francis, Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò, for your words today, your constant support, and your good shepherding of the Church in the United States.

And I must thank so many brother Knights who have supported and guided this project — especially our Supreme Chaplain, Archbishop William Lori, and the Executive Director of the Shrine, Patrick Kelly, as well as our Deputy Supreme Knight, Logan Ludwig.

For two and a half decades, the Knights of Columbus served faithfully the pontificate of Pope John Paul II through a multitude of projects too numerous to mention here today on this occasion. However, we must mention one, and that is the project by which for nearly three decades we have worked to better understand and promote the teaching of Pope John

Paul II at the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and Family. Through the leadership of the Prefect of the Congregation for Catholic Education, His Eminence William Cardinal Baum, and the late Archbishop of Washington, His Eminence James Cardinal Hickey, that Institute was made a reality. And we are so grateful that Cardinal Baum is with us here today as well. Your Eminence, thank you.

Last month, our Holy Father canonized Blessed John Paul II, and when he did so, he quoted from an earlier homily by Pope Benedict XVI, which he delivered during the beatification ceremony in 2011. Pope Benedict said this at that time about his predecessor:

“He opened to Christ the society, the culture, the political and economic systems, intervening with the strength of a giant — strength that came to him from God — a tendency which could seem irreversible. With his witness of faith, of love and of apostolic courage, accompanied by a great human drive, this exemplary son of the Polish nation helped Christians worldwide not to be afraid to call themselves Christians, to belong to the Church, to speak of the Gospel. In a word, he helped us not to be afraid of the truth, because the truth is the guarantee of freedom” (May 1, 2011).

Then Pope Francis continued in his own words to say this: “We all know that, before going on the roads of the world, Karol Wojtyła grew up to the service of Christ and of the Church in his homeland, Poland. His heart was formed there, a heart which then was dilated to the universal dimension, first by participating in Vatican Council II and, above all, after October 16, 1978, so that in it all nations, languages and cultures could find a place. I thank the Polish people and the Church in Poland” Pope Francis continued, “for the gift of John Paul II. We have all been enriched by this gift. John Paul II continues to inspire us. We are inspired by his words, his writings, his gestures, his style of service. We are inspired by his suffering lived with heroic hope. We are inspired by his total entrustment to Christ, Redeemer of man, and to the Mother of God.”

In these words of Pope Benedict and Pope Francis, we find presented in a better way than we could ourselves

describe the inspiration, the mission and the *raison d’être* of this national shrine.

Here we will tell the story of this great saint — how it was that his heart was formed, and how it was that he was able to form so many other hearts. In the years and decades ahead, may each pilgrim be inspired by St. John Paul II’s total entrustment to Christ, Redeemer of man, and to the Mother of God. And may each pilgrim to this shrine, through his intercession, follow in his footsteps as a courageous disciple of Christ.

Vivat Jesus!



### ***Papal Message for the Dedication of the Saint John Paul II National Shrine***

The Holy Father sends cordial greetings to all assembled for the dedication of the new Saint John Paul II National Shrine in Washington, together with the assurance of his closeness in prayer on this happy occasion. He is confident that the Shrine will open wide its doors to the countless members of the faithful from the United States and abroad who remember Saint John Paul with gratitude and affection, and who trustingly seek his intercession and assistance. The Holy Father likewise trusts that the Shrine will serve to make better known the great Pope’s legacy of magisterial teaching, his enduring summons to holiness and an evangelical zeal, and his uncompromising defense of freedom, truth and solidarity grounded in the inviolable dignity of the human person, created in God’s image and redeemed by his infinite mercy in Christ. With these sentiments, His Holiness commends all present to the loving intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, and entrusts the apostolate of the National Shrine to the heavenly patronage of Saint John Paul II. As a pledge of Easter joy and peace in the Lord, he cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing.

Cardinal Pietro Parolin  
Secretary of State  
May 7, 2014

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