



COUNCILAIRS

Bel Air Council 4714



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Grand Knight's Message



I want to thank every one of you. Thank you for the time you give to our Council and the support you provide to the programs we conduct. If you could switch seats with me and watch this Council operate you would be impressed. It is amazing.

We have truly strengthened the bonds with our area's Catholic Community. We are building lasting relationships with our Churches - St. Mark's, St. Margaret's and our Catholic schools St. Margaret's and John Carroll. You are "Creating a Presence" in our Catholic community and making a difference. Thank You.

Embracing change is what has made the creation of this Bel Air presence. Change is the only thing that is constant. Our Council is continually changing. Two recent changes are members that are stepping down from positions they have held for years. After many years of outstanding service, Jerry Wagner, our current Hall Steward has tendered his resignation. In addition, after many years of outstanding service, Paul Zarachowicz, our current Tootsie Roll Chairman has tendered his resignation. Both of these members have done an outstanding job and provided an immeasurable service.

To continue to conduct our programs and manage our hall we need members who are interested in these areas which has lead me to instituting a new Bel Air Council Membership/Recruitment Incentive Program. The program is very simple:

- Bring in 1 New Member and the Council will purchase a Bel Air Polo Shirt for you.
- Bring in 2 New Members and you will receive Supreme's Silver Knight Award.
- Bring in 3 New Members and the Council will purchase a Bel Air Winter Jacket for you.

This is the busiest part of our fraternal year, the run up to Christmas. Let see if together we can acquire 24 new members to enable the Council to support the change we know is coming.

May the Lord call you to be a change agent for Bel Air Council and implore you to give your time, talent, and treasure to cultivate a lasting relationship with our Catholic Community while recruiting new members to continue the great reputation and future of the Bel Air Knights of Columbus Council 4714.

Vivat Jesus,

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

November is the month of the fraternal year when we remember those who have gone before us. Let us ask ourselves how we can honor their memory, their works and their legacy. What can we do today that will improve our church, community, council and family. Someday our successors will be looking back and reflecting on our legacy. What do we want our legacy to be?

Thank you for your hard work in supporting the car raffle this year. I recently did my two hours of Tootsie Roll volunteering just as so many of us have done in the district. To me, there is no more "Knightly" thing to do than to participate in the Tootsie Roll drive that support the intellectually challenged individuals in our community. I'll wait to see how the final tallies come in, but my experience seemed to indicate that people were being particularly generous this year. What a great experience we all can share.

The Columbus Day Ball was a very enjoyable event. It was held at a first-class venue with excellent food and music. Kudos to the Worthy State Deputy for having the foresight to change venue. Archbishop Lori attended and delivered the opening remarks and prayer.

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

State Events

- Sunday, November 2 (3:00 p.m.) - Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, Baltimore. 225th anniversary Mass of the founding of Baltimore Archdiocese.
- Sunday, November 16 (1:30 p.m.) - Holy Rosary Church, Mitchellville (Walt Williams, PGK, FDD is the chairman)

District Events

- Thursday, November 6 - 1st degree at Bel Air Council - Candidates at 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, November 8 - 2nd quarter district meeting at St. Ignatius Council 10 a.m.
- Saturday, November 15 - Bull and Oyster party hosted by St. Ignatius Council at American Legion
- District Soccer Results - Many thanks to Tom Mulkern, Bishop Becker Council for organizing this event for the council and district.

Mariana Catania	Girls (6 and Under)
Gabe Stollings	Boys (6 and Under)
Abby Cocco	Girls (7/8)
Evan England	Boys (7/8)
Mariah Penta	Girls (9/10)
Justin Brown	Boys (9/10)
Brooke Walz	Girls (11/12)
Andrew Roberts	Boys (11/12)
Emma Dewitt	Girls (13/14)
Christian Albert	Boys (13/14)

Baltimore Chapter of Grand Knights Events

- Thursday, November 13 (7:00 p.m.) Pope John Paul the Great Council, Baltimore Chapter Memorial Mass 10003 Bird River Rd., Baltimore, MD 21220

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Council Activities

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 October meeting was Chuck Duvall and he was not in attendance. The drawing at the November meeting will remain at \$50.00.

Tom Sutera

Sick and Deceased

Prayers are needed for David Kerber son-in-law of Paul Zarachowicz, Al Kramer, Tom McCubbin, Bill Edge, Tom Krista, Ernest Borowski, Len Phillips, Vernon West and Gilly McNamara. **John Knapstein** 410-692-9823 jdk92048@aol.com

Memorial Mass

The annual memorial mass will be held on November 18 at 7:00 pm (the November social meeting) Light fare and dessert will be provided.

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First Degree Team

We've had a couple of brothers step up to learn speaking roles on the degree team, for which I and the council are eminently grateful. There will be a rehearsal at the hall on Wednesday, October 29, at 7pm. All who have volunteered for the team, and all who are interested in taking a role, please be there.

Remember also, and this is to encourage all of us in our recruiting efforts as well as to remind the team, that the Worthy State Deputy has decreed that no degree in this state will be cancelled this year. This means that we will present a degree on schedule, as we always have, whether there are candidates or not. Team members, stay in practice. Our next degree will take place at our November business meeting. NOTE: The November business meeting will take place on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, as Tuesday, November 7, is Election Day and the hall will be used as a polling place. So everyone, if you're preparing a

candidate to come to our next first degree, make sure he is available on Thursday, November 9.

Kevin McNamara, DGK, Team Captain

Fourth Degree

Any third degree Knight in good standing is eligible to become a fourth degree Knight. There is no longer a waiting period between your third and fourth degrees. As of this writing, the next fourth degree exemplification is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, March 7, 2015, at the Holiday Inn Frederick-Conference Center at FSK Mall. Meetings of St. Francis Xavier Assembly are held the third Monday of every month at Bel Air Council at 7:00 p.m. Ask any fourth degree Knight in the council how you can become a fourth degree Knight.

Kevin McNamara, PFN, St. Francis Xavier Assembly

Good Bye Old Friend – Victor Ferrara

The Bel Air Council just received notice that our old friend Vic Ferrara has transferred to another Council in Pennsylvania. As you may know Vic and his wife Mildred moved in with their daughter near Valley Forge, PA a few months ago. They are enjoying being close to their daughter and Vic is not standing still. He has found another Council and I'm sure he will be as active with them as he was with us.

Vic took care of the "Alive and Well" Program here in Bel Air. He would organize a group of Knights to perform a prayer service for a deceased Knight or spouse. He would send out get well cards, Mass cards, and anything else that the Council asked of him. He was always very involved with St. Margaret's Church and often did readings at Masses that were held at our Council Home. He regularly worked the scratch off tickets at Bingo and called back Bingos. Thanks again to a fine gentleman who was a "Perfect Knight of Columbus". We will miss you very much. God Bless You, Vic!

Youth Activities

PACK 999

During the weekend of October 4/5, the cub scouts went door to door selling popcorn throughout the Bel Air/Forest Hill neighborhoods. Their goal this year is to raise \$16,000. These funds are used to support cub scout activities throughout the year. Twelve cubs enjoyed the Adventure of the corn maze at Beachmont in Kingsville on 10/11. Fortunately all cubs returned

safely, none were lost. Webeloe scouts attended overnight camping at Sandy Point State Park, (10/17-19). The youngsters worked on the requirements needed for their rank. They performed such tasks as meal preparation and clean ups which are a requirement of this rank. Parents and siblings of the cubs were also invited to attend this outing. During the cub pack meeting of 10/15, the cubs reviewed their activities at summer camp, put on skits and sang songs. Awards and merit badges were given out to the cubs for successful completion of assignments and requirements.

TROOP 999

Aaron Tarcza was awarded his physical fitness award on 10/9/8. Troop 999 will host a Sons of Italy Dinner/Fund Raiser in the Spring. The date will be announced as soon as it is determined. The proceeds of the dinner will be split evenly between the troop and the Sons of Italy. Austin Gusler successfully completed the renovation/rehabilitation of the picnic tables. This was his selected Eagle Project. The project was started on the weekend of 9/27 and finished the weekend of 10/4. Matt Abel completed his Eagle Project at Eden Mill on the weekend of 10/11-12. His project plan was to build several raised flower beds for the elderly who will use them to raise flowers and vegetables. The raised bed will reduce the need for the elderly to stoop while sowing seeds, weeding and harvesting.

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 November (2nd) 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

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