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## GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

My Brothers All,

I would like to thank everyone who made the installation of officers such a success! Mary Celeste Eder and Wendy Ward did an excellent job in making Kilduff Hall look great and Paul Bartha, Mike Georgulas and Lee Eder kept busy running errands the morning of the installation. But most importantly, I like to thank all the men who stepped-up and became officers for the 2014-2015 term; together we make a great team and I look forward to working with everyone.

The goals for a successful year will take some work and at times it will be a real challenge but the Council has done it before and we will do it again! Whether you are active in putting-on an event or active in participating in an event just come out and support the Council. We have some fun activities set for August and I encourage EVERYONE to join in. There is a putt-putt night and an Ironbirds game set for our Council and their families, all are welcome especially my Brothers who haven't attended an event in a long time.....come on back! We have also been asked to help with the parish picnic

Christmas Bingo was a huge success for the Council and our parish. Well over two hundred people were in attendance and like the thermostat on the wall some were getting hot and some folks got cold, nonetheless all had fun. Thanks to all who played and thanks to all who made the night a success!

Finally, if there is anything in the coming year you want to bring to my attention please don't hesitate to call or email me at [gjward63@gmail.com](mailto:gjward63@gmail.com).

May God Bless you and our K of C Family,

Gregory J. Ward  
*Grand Knight*



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# KNIGHTWORKS NEWS



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On a personal note, we're still keeping an eye out for baby Hardy who will be here this time next month (though he could come any day now). Please keep my wife, Luke and I in your prayers! On the tech front we have a lot of good stuff coming up.

The template for the newsletter is just about complete – what you see now will be the format for the rest of the year. Judging of the newsletter will run from September until March. If you have Supreme or State news **PLEASE** pass it my way.

On the web site front, the transition of from Drupal 6 to Drupal 7 is complete. We have over 600 pages of content and over 6000 files that comprise the website. The goal was to migrate all 600 pages of content and yet replace all 6000 files. To the vast majority of you, the website should look exactly the same which means I did something right. What this affords us is in the long run is:

- The ability for a new “responsive” template that scales itself to look good on the phone, tablet and computer. Finally we can give the site a facelift and get away from the “default template” look as well!
- Photo galleries that integrate with the website and allow in page previews and other nifty stuff. Yes Bill, this will be a reality soon!
- A lot of other goodies – the least of which is **not** having the website blow up in October when the web host retires the legacy servers that were keeping the old version alive. So if you've been wondering why requests for additions haven't happened yet, it was in the interest of still having a website a couple months from now.

If you have suggestions, additions, offers to help, offers to babysit, or anything else you think might help launch us further into the 21<sup>st</sup> century please let me know. I'm always open to thoughts and constructive criticism!

Vivat Jesus!  
Rob Hardy

## ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN'S REPORT “Summer Days”

Summer is upon us once again. It might be a time that many of us start to get a little careless about our relationship with God and faith life. There are lots of barbeques, picnics, outdoor activities and other distractions that may tempt us to put our faith life on a back burner. Not indefinitely, of course, just until summer is over. I think we can all agree it takes a little bit of effort to find a Catholic church while we are on vacation. Many of our good intentions to read that religious book get lost in the most current novel.

Summertime is Ordinary Time in our liturgical life. As I have mentioned before, Ordinary Time is anything but ordinary. The scripture readings at Mass are well worth the effort to get to church even on a hot summer Sunday. You might be surprised at what you can learn during Ordinary Time.

There are many other temptations around during the summer months. If we keep up with our regular Mass attendance and continue to pray always as Paul admonishes, it will be easier to overcome the temptations that summer places before us. The little extra effort it takes to continue our relationship with God during this season will benefit us throughout the rest of the year. Have a great vacation and the best summer ever. Let's always try to remember who gave it to us!



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Peace and All Good  
Deacon Jim

# PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S REPORT

"What's Going-on in Our Council"

We are off and running with our new fiscal year. Many activities have already occurred in July and many more are planned for August and September. Stay tuned to your monthly Newsletter for your 3 month planner as well as the email blasts for more immediate activities in which you may want to participate. Viva Jesus!

## **Church – Steve Herpel (443-987-5621 or [olmchssoccer@yahoo.com](mailto:olmchssoccer@yahoo.com))**

Thanks to Steve Herpel we are off and running with our support of the Church. Our first Church activity of the quarter will be the Parish Picnic after the 11 AM Mass on August 24<sup>th</sup>. We hope you'll wear your green shirts and come on out in support of our parish and show your pride as a brother knight! Additionally, Steve has many outstanding thoughts for this year's church programs. Stay tuned.



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## **Council – Jeff Gutowski (410-925-1762 or [jgutowskiwtsb@gmail.com](mailto:jgutowskiwtsb@gmail.com))**

Our installation of officers occurred on July 19<sup>th</sup>. The installation ceremony was conducted after 5 pm mass by District Deputy Lee Eder. Thank you Lee for a great installation. Our new Grand Knight arranged for a great reception catered by Giovanni's and Mary Celeste Eder's decorations added much to the evening's festivities. Last but certainly not least was the magnificent work that Steve Herpel did with his MC responsibilities. We all love you Steve!

## **Community – Larry O'Toole ([2301patricia@comcast.net](mailto:2301patricia@comcast.net))**

This year we will once again honor our military heroes that are being treated at the Veterans Administration Hospital on Lochraven Blvd. This visit will take place on July 4; we salute these men and women who put their lives on the line in defense of our individual freedoms. Our Christian faith is one such freedom that is under attack daily. Thank you for your service.

## **Family – Paul Bartha (248-872-2063 or [pzbartha50@gmail.com](mailto:pzbartha50@gmail.com))**

Again this quarter, we will be conducting our family night event at Churchville Miniature Golf. It will be on August 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Maybe we can keep Luke Hardy from doing a "stroll-in-one" through the golf maze and under the fountain. It certainly was great entertainment for kids, parents and anyone who wants to hone their golfing skills.

## **Culture-of-Life – Cliff Wendell ([cewendell1@gmail.com](mailto:cewendell1@gmail.com))**

Many from our council learned about wood bench making from our new Grand Knight Greg Ward as well as our new Lecturer, John Schmidt. These benches were given to the seniors living in Abingdon Gardens, a Catholic Charities senior community in Abingdon. Plans are in place to visit with this senior community in August or September. We are planning an ice cream social where we can just sit and chat and learn about the "Old Times". We are not sure who will have more fun at this event, the Knights or our senior neighbors!

## **Youth – Bruce Miller (410-913-7268 or [bmille45@jhu.edu](mailto:bmille45@jhu.edu))**

Mark your calendars for our annual youth pool party. It will be August 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Box Hill North Swimming Pool. The pool will open around 7:30 PM and will stay open until 11 PM.

Larry Shannahan  
*Chancellor and Program Director*

# DISTRICT DEPUTY'S REPORT

Dear Brothers,

It was a great honor to be with my home council on July 19<sup>th</sup> 2014 to install our new Officers for this new fraternal year.

I am very proud of our council, as it is one of the best in the state! I know Grand Knight Greg Ward and his Officers will keep Fr. Wolfe council right on track.

I plan to visit the council the 1<sup>st</sup> week of August.

Thank you & God Bless,

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*District Deputy #27*



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## FOURTH DEGREE MESSAGE



**Keith Arndt**  
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Sir Knights,

The Assembly began the month of July, as we have in the past several years -- by participating in the Fourth of July BBQ for patients and staff at the Loch Raven VA Medical Facility. This event always provides us with a personal sense of accomplishment as well as gratitude for the past service of the veterans. We had thirteen participants, including family members, from the Assembly this year and served about 100 appreciative guests.

This is an especially busy time of the year for the members of our Assembly Color Corps. In addition to the viewing and funeral for one of our Sir Knights, Gerry Grimm, Jr., the Color Corps participated in Masses and Installations at Cardinal Gibbons Council, Long Green Valley Council, Father Maurice J. Wolfe Council and Mason-Dixon Council. Two additional Sir Knights have joined our Color Corps, Paul Bartha and John Young. We welcome them. We have also been teaming up with our neighboring Assembly, St. Francis Xavier, to provide mutual support at Color Corps events. As the visible and patriotic arm of the Knights of Columbus, when we are called upon, it is important that we provide a well-trained and professional appearing Honor Guard appropriate to the task.

Please mark your calendars for our Assembly Installation of Officers on Saturday, August 23rd. The installation ceremony will immediately follow 5:00 pm Mass which will be celebrated by our Faithful Friar, Fr. Bob Wojtek. Dinner will follow in Kilduff Hall.

Keith Arndt  
*Faithful Navigator*  
*John Carroll Assembly #2378*

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

This year the membership slogan will be “twenty – twenty”.

Twenty new members marking twenty years of service. We can do this but will need the help of ALL members. If you know a Catholic man who is not a Knight... please ask him to join... we all will benefit.

As co-chairman of the annual Car Raffle again this year I ask that you sell your allotted tickets as soon as possible. Please, do it NOW...



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Bill Hengemihle  
*Membership Director*

## KNIGHT OF THE YEAR



Our Knight of the Year for the fraternal year 2013 – 2014 is Paul Bartha. Paul is one of those guys who is always there when you need him and attends every Knight of Columbus function. In addition to receiving his fourth degree since transferring into our council, he also stepped into the officers' chairs and is our warden for the next fraternal year. From bingo to tootsie rolls – he's there when it counts!

# LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

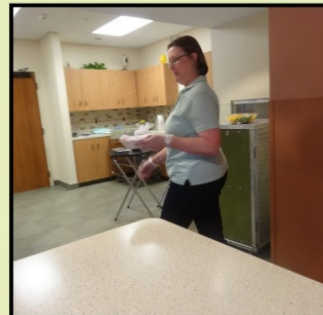


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On June 28<sup>h</sup>, the Ladies volunteered at the Little Sisters of the Poor St. Martin's Home in Catonsville. We were delighted to visit and host an "Ice Cream Social" with the residents. Vice President Annie Arndt shared "the residents were very welcoming and appreciative of the ice cream as well as the time we spent talking with them. One of the gentlemen in the cottage I was in was a Knight and very eager to talk about his past with the K of C. Another resident in our cottage was the mother of two fourth degree Knights from our own Archbishop John Carroll assembly...what a small world we live in!" The time we spent serving the elderly was very rewarding and the devotion of the Little Sisters is inspiring! In the words of Saint Jeanne Jugan, founder of the Little Sisters of the Poor, "Never forget that the poor are Our Lord."

Our next meeting will be on August 18<sup>th</sup> in the Knight's Hall at 7:30pm. As always, we welcome all ladies of the parish. Please come and share your ideas of what you would like to see for the upcoming year. Join us as we serve the Church, Community, Youth, Council, and Family. Hope you are enjoying the summer!

[Photo courtesy of Connie Piotrowski]



**Little Sisters of the Poor**  
**Ice Cream Social 6-28-2014**

Cynthia Santiago  
*Secretary, Ladies Auxiliary*

# SUPREME NEWS AND EVENTS

*"KOFc PLEDGES \$1.4 MILLION FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES"*

The Knights of Columbus formally announced a donation to cover the costs of athletes from the United States and Canada during their time in Los Angeles as they participate in next year's Special Olympics World Games.

The Knights' \$1.4 million sponsorship will cover the costs of food, transportation and entertainment for every athlete from the two countries during their time in Los Angeles.



Supreme Knight Carl Anderson made the announcement during a news conference on July 14 at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. Joining him at the announcement was World Games CEO and President Patrick McClenahan and Archbishop of Los Angeles José H. Gomez.

"The Knights of Columbus were there with Special Olympics and its founder, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, from the very beginning," said Supreme Knight Anderson. "Sargent Shriver, Eunice's husband, was a friend and a proud member of the Knights of Columbus, and like him, we are here today to continue those efforts on behalf of people with intellectual disabilities. Our support exemplifies our commitment to the dignity of every person, our dedication to assisting with our neighbors' needs whatever they may be, and our deep appreciation for the great work done by Special Olympics."

Anderson also announced that he is asking the leadership of the K of C in each U.S. state and Canadian province to increase the number of volunteer hours donated to Special Olympics this year.

Read more at: <http://www.kofc.org/un/en/news/releases/detail/kofc-pledge-special-olympics.html>

# STATE NEWS AND EVENTS

*"STATE SPECIAL OLYMPICS DAY"*

The state council is asking that all councils in the state donate to the Special Olympics of Maryland (<http://www.somd.org/>) on September 27<sup>th</sup>. This donation can take the form of a monetary donation or one of time. The goal is for the state council to present \$150,000 to SOMD.

Donations of money can take many forms. Some ideas suggested by the state are:

- Put a tip jar at the council bars for the month of September
- Donate your Tootsie Roll Proceeds to SOMD
- Rock Jar 50/50 – Sell chances to guess the amount of rocks in the jar. Winner gets 50% of the proceeds
- Enter a boat into the 2014 Rockfish Open – <http://www.rockfishopen.com>
- Attend the Hubcaps Concert

More information about the state council can be found at <http://www.kofc-md.org>

# THREE MONTH PLANNER



Check out <http://www.kofc11372.org/calendar> for a full listing of our events!

AUGUST 2014			
Mon.	4	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	7	Ravens vs. 49ers Preseason Game	3:00 – 11:45pm
Fri.	8	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	10	Ice Cream Social at Catholic Charities	2:00pm
Mon.	11	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	14	Family Putt Putt – Churchville Golf	6:30 – 8:30pm
Mon.	18	Council Meeting, 1 <sup>st</sup> Degree Ceremonial & Social	7:30pm
Thurs.	21	Youth Activity – Ironbirds Game	7:05pm
Fri.	22	Bingo	6:00pm
Sat	23	Cancelled – Ravens vs. Redskins Preseason Game	3:00 – 11:45pm
Sat	23	Fourth Degree Assembly Installation - SFdS	6:30pm
Sat	23	Pool Party	8:15pm
Sun	24	Church Activity – Parish Picnic	12:30 – 3:00pm
SEPTEMBER 2014			
Mon.	1	No Meeting – Happy Labor Day	All Day
Sun.	7	Ravens vs. Bengals Fundraiser	8:30a – 5:00p
Mon.	8	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	11	Ravens vs. Steelers Fundraiser	4:00 – 11:45pm
Fri.	12	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	14	Community Activity – Pancake Breakfast	6:30 – 11:30am
Mon.	15	Council Meeting & Social	7:30pm
Thurs.	18	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting – Mason Dixon Council	8:00pm
Fri.	26	Bingo	6:00pm
Sun.	28	Ravens vs. Panthers Fundraiser	8:30a – 5:00p
OCTOBER 2014			
Mon.	6	Council Meeting	7:30pm
Fri.	10	Bingo	6:00pm
Mon.	13	Officer's Meeting	7:30pm
Thurs.	16	Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting – Fr. Wolfe Council	8:00pm
Sun.	19	Ravens vs. Falcons Fundraiser	4:00 – 11:45pm
Mon.	20	Council Meeting & First Degree	7:30pm
Fri.	26	Bingo	6:00pm
TBD	TBD	Trunk or Treat	TBD

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