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A opening word from the Grand Knight

Thank you all for allowing me the privilege to serve you in this office. I pledge to do my best to coordinate the efforts of so many dedicated Knights.

I would also like to congratulate Peter Caruso (PGK) on becoming our District Deputy and Jeff Ciardi as our District Warden. And I would be remiss if I did not thank Peter Caruso for his tremendous efforts over the past two plus years to bring the council to where it is today. Thank you Peter!

Vivat Jesus, GK Bill McDonald

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It is my pleasure to announce our newly elected officers as follows:
Deputy Grand Knight - Chris Ruggiero
Chancellor - Jim Smith
Warden - John Drotar
Recorder - Jeff Ciardi
Treasurer - Harold Gibson
Advocate - Ray Williams
Inside Guards - John Rogge and Bill Schell
Outside Guards - Jim Quick and Bob Lein
3rd Year Trustee - Peter Caruso
Continuing on in the 2nd Year and 1st Year trustees are Mark Lukenda and Ed Smith.
Phil Forlano will continue on as Financial Secretary, a Supreme Council appointment. Council appointments are being finalized for Chaplain and Lecturer (by Aug. 1st).

Women's Clothing Drive A Success

The drive was held on June 12 & 13 and the clothes were delivered on June 17 and 18. We were able to fill 5 vehicles to capacity due to the generosity of our fellow parishioners. Over twenty Knights participated, with several sons (Clark and Patrick Restrepo) assisting in the receiving, packing and delivery.

The clothes were delivered to EDSI, located in the Chester Police Bldg. Ray Williams spotted a bullet hole in the elevator. The employees, led by Cynthia Germany, set up a small clothing store in several empty offices. The clothes were distributed on June 22 & 23 to women in need who are transitioning into the work force

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from welfare. The clothes were greatly appreciated.

Officers Profile: BILL SCHELL, Inside Guard*



Bill Placing Luminaries Xmas Eve

In his own words Bill is a simple man from humble beginnings leading a simple life. He was born the son of an Anthracite coal minor in Tower City, Pa. (Schuylkill County). He attended Tower City High School, Williamson Trade School in Media, Pa. and graduated from Williamson in 1957 with an Associate degree in Power Generation.

Bill married Diane, a hometown girl, in 1958 (I wonder how many of our council members were even born in 1958? ...I know I was). They have five children, four girls and one boy, and a total of eight

grandchildren, five boys and three girls.

Employed by Bailey Controls Co. after graduating from Williamson, Bill worked 8 years in the Philadelphia area in the Bailey Engineering Support Group. Promoted to Resident Engineer and subsequently being transferred to Richmond, Va. Office in 1965 (OK how many were born now?), Bill was responsible for all sales, service and local engineering. Most of his projects were related to Pulp & Paper and Industrial Boiler Instrumentation & Controls. In 1975 (I bet all of you were born by then) Bill was promoted to Senior Systems Engineer and transferred back to the Philadelphia office. In this capacity he was in charge of all System Sales in the Maryland and Washington, DC area, holding this position until 1995 when the office was down sized and he was laid off. Bill says, "38 years sure goes by fast" (OK, do all you 38 year-olds agree?).

As with many who "get retired", Bill went back to work for Bailey Controls in late 1997 as a contractor in the Engineering Department, spending a very long three months in Cleveland, Ohio (I remember I spent a month there one week many years ago). Thankfully, Bill was then assigned to the Warminster, Pa facility as a project co-coordinator in

engineering. Finally retiring to the good life in mid 2000, he is getting pretty good at his long list of "Honey-Dos".

In 1998 Bill underwent open-heart surgery. With the good Lord watching over him, all went well. In good shape now, Bill recalls it was *not* a lot of fun.

In his free time (it's all free now isn't it Bill?), Bill enjoys outdoor activities like hunting, fishing, cooking (well, it's outdoors if it's barbecuing), and growing deer food (formally known as gardening). He also enjoys Civil War history (no, he doesn't personally remember it) and spending time with the eight grandchildren. Bill also volunteers his time at his son-in-law's local Mobil gas station drinking coffee and supervising.

Having never been a Knight prior to joining the St Elizabeth Council, Bill wasted no time in receiving his first, second, and third degrees all within a week of each other. His 1st Degree was obtained on March 2nd, 2003, his 2nd Degree on March 5th, and his 3rd Degree on March 9th! Bill opted to wait until May of this year to pursue his 4th Degree. In the Council, Bill has participated in ARC, various parking assignments, Habitat for Humanity, Chester County Cares Food Bank, various clothing drives, membership drive, and wherever else help is needed.

In St. Elizabeth parish Bill's involvement includes the 5:30

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Mass set-up as well as being an usher. Prior to St Elizabeth, he was a member of St Joseph parish although he frequently attended St. Peter Parish.

*The Inside Guard shall attend the entrance to the council chamber and check membership cards. The Inside Guard shall perform such other duties as may be imposed by the council. (Sec 144)

2nd Annual Golf Outing Better than the 1st

Our Second annual St. Elizabeth Council's spring golf outing was a huge success on many fronts. The weather was good (the Lord strategically inserted a 30-minute storm so we could gather with friends at the clubhouse in the middle of the round), scores were low (according to the cards), prizes were plentiful, and we raised more than three times last year's revenue. It gets better. Sixty players attended the outing at Kimberton Golf Club. Thirty-three of the players were not Council Knights, which added diversity and external revenue for our charitable works (a few council prospects to boot). The invisible pros were the twenty-five businesses and friends who donated prizes, on-course beverages, and

purchased greens to support our cause. Being all said we had a lot of fun, a lot of laughs, the dinner was great, and we were truly blessed. In particular, I was blessed with a great group of volunteers. I would like to thank committee members Jack Clark, Dennis Gniazdowski, Harold Gibson, Bob Hays, Ed Linaugh, Jim Smith, and Curt Zingaro; and volunteers Peter Caruso, Bill McDonald, Chris Ruggiero and Bill Schell for their help the day of the outing. I also would like to thank those who attended, their guests, and the staff at Kimberton.

Next year's outing is already being planned to be bigger and better."

Contributors:

- One Point Advantage,
- OnSite Management,
- James J. Terry Funeral Home,
- Ruggiero and Company P.C.,
- Carmines Parkside,
- Rodstar productions,
- High Ground Medical,
- Jim Smith family,
- The Clark and Goshow Financial Strategies Group,
- Kathy Gagnon Real Estate,
- Mid Atlantic Agents,
- Kimberton Golf Club,
- First Financial,
- Hampton Inn,
- Ludwigs Inn,
- Waterloo Gardens,
- Eagle Tavern,

- TGI Fridays,
- Joe Burns Beverage,
- ACME Markets,
- Croppers Markets,
- Supper Auto Wash,
- Rossi's Golf Center,
- Sports Authority,
- Coley Pontiac-Buck-GMC

More Golf Events

September 20 is the day where Knights can participate in a choice of golfing fundraisers. The Chester County Assembly is having an outing at Kimberton golf club in a Best Ball format. Contact Bill McDonald.

Our own council member Jack Clark will be holding the 4th Annual Bull & Bear benefiting the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Eastern PA. The funds raised will help his son Andrew in his fight to beat leukemia. Contact Jack Clark

Council Shirts

Council Shirts are available for sale. Contact Hoot Gibson at the next General Council meeting. These shirts give you and the council a positive impression during events. If you need it promptly, email Hoot to bring you a shirt at hooter@netreach.net.

Knights in Action

Council Picnic – Ann and Joe Arena hosted the picnic at their home on July 10. Yard games and a professional putting green were well received by the guest. The food was fabulous. Pictured below

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is the happy couple who earned a hearty well done from the Knights in attendance. Thank you.



Upcoming Events and contacts.

Sept 11/12 – Recruitment Drive After all masses.
John Rogge

Aug/Sept – COAL Drive.

Aug/Sept – Football Sweeps.

Sept 20 – 4th Degree Golf Outing. Bill McDonald

Sept 20 – Bull & Bear Golf Tournament. Jack Clark

Sept 31 – 4th Degree Picnic. West Chester V.F.W. Bill McDonald

Sept 18, 25, Oct 9 – Habitat for Humanity. Chris Ruggiero

On the Light Side....

The Disappearing Wife:

A man left work one Friday afternoon. But instead of going home, he stayed out the entire weekend, hunting with the boys and spending his entire paycheck. When he finally appeared at home, Sunday night, he was confronted by his very angry wife and was barraged for nearly 2 hours with a tirade about his actions.

Finally his wife stopped the nagging and simply said to him, "How would you like it if you didn't see me for 2 or 3 days?" To which he replied, "That would be fine with me."

Monday went by and he didn't see his wife. Tuesday and Wednesday came and went and he didn't see her. On Thursday, the swelling went down just enough where he could see her a little out of the corner of his left eye.

Pro Life – God's Precious Infants

Joe Cavanagh invites all brothers and families to consider becoming part of a significant effort that is conducted the 3rd Saturday every month. The activity consists of going to Philadelphia at 15th and Market St. and attending a 7 am mass at St. John's. The group then

walks to Planned Parenthood at 12th and Locust where the Rosary is prayed. After this they return to St. John for a Benediction. You are home by 11 am. To join Joe Cavanagh call him at 610 363-0639 or Jcursillo@aol.com.

There is also a pro-life mass and Rosary prayer in West Chester. The Rosary is prayed at a nearby abortion clinic. This occurs the 1st Saturday of every month at St. Agnes, West Chester, PA. Contact SK Tom Holman of West Chester Council.

Keep the Faith Alive

Remember, **YOU** can make a difference to someone considering a vocation.

Council Web Page

Remember to continue to watch our Council Web page for additional news and events.
<http://www.stelizabethcouncil13141.org>

Insurance Needs

If any of you are considering changes to you insurance needs, please be sure to contact our KoC Field Agent Dan Bowser. He is ready to help with all you insurance and financial investment needs. Dan can be reached at **3209 Edge Lane, Thorndale, PA 19372 or contact him at 610-909-0807.**