



# Our Cable

*“There is Strength in Unity”*

The Monthly Newsletter of:

**John Paul I Council—Knights of Columbus**

Serving Visitation BVM & Saint Teresa of Avila Parishes

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## HELP NEEDED

**Anyone who can help with the history of our council. Bob Quaglia is trying to put our history on our Knight's web site. If you can help , please contact him at 610-489-7427.**

*Please keep open April 27-28th - ARC DRIVE*

**OPEN DINNER MEETING  
 February 19th. Plan to Attend**

## From our Grand Knight



Brother Knights we have been very fortunate. Each month a number of our members quietly contribute their time and energy to our council. Their activities include recruiting, fund raising, the monthly newsletter, and service to our parishes. They may not get the recognition they deserve but they are appreciated and on behalf of the council I would like to thank them. Without their dedication we could not continue to achieve the success we have experienced in the past.

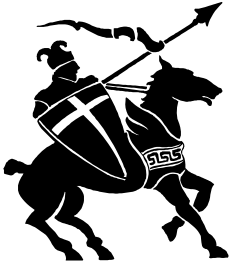
Brothers mark your calendars. On February 19<sup>th</sup>. we will gather at Moorehead's Catering in Trappe, PA for our quarterly "open" meeting. This is a time for families to gather, to enjoy a good meal, and to welcome our guest speakers. This month the subject will be the Malvern Retreat Experience. Be sure to call me or our program director, Denny Mann to reserve your space.

For those of you who are not aware our Chaplin, Msgr. Golias will soon be admitted to the hospital for corrective surgery. I know that each of you will keep him in your prayers. I would also like to volunteer our time to assist him with his duties as he recovers.

*God Bless You,*

*Ted*

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## On the Battle Field

We need the support of Our Lady—We are Her Knights  
**PRAY THE ROSARY**

### Opportunities:

**Join Us**

Perpetual Adoration Chapel at Visitation BVM is always open for you.

Men's Fellowship (Bible Study) at Saint Teresa every Saturday at 6:45 AM—join with many other Christian gentlemen there for a morning uplift.

Do you know of a knight who is ill or in need, whose family is in need or who has passed away? Please let Jack Kees know so that we may help and pray together. Jack's number is 610-539-4935.

### Calendar of Events

**Tuesday, Febuary 19th** - 7:00 PM  
Open Dinner Meeting at Moorehead's Cater  
Please note from 7:00 to 7:30 Cheese and Wine will be served in a time of socializing before the dinner and program begins at 7:30 PM.  
This promises to be another great evening.

**Tuesday, March 5th.** - 7:30 PM  
Officers' Meeting at Saint Teresa. All Brother Knights are welcome to attend.

**Tuesday, March 19th** - 7:30 PM  
Regular Council Meeting - Larkin Center

### Lottery Tickets

These Tickets are our regular monthly fund raiser.

#### **Please participate.**

If every Knight would buy at least one ticket per month, our council would benefit greatly.

Tickets are \$5.00 each and based on the daily number Monday through Friday.

Tickets are valid for the entire month and pay \$100.00 for the winning number.

## Bits and Pieces

It's coming up to that time of the year, when our council has to prepare a slate of Officers for next year. Have you considered running for office, helping by taking on an area of responsibility. If you are asked to serve, would you prayerfully consider accepting. We all need to consider stewardship as part of our faith and being a good steward means serving where we can.

Let's continue to hold in prayer those of our number recovering from illness and those about to undergo surgery or are in the hospital. We are thankful for the recovery of those for whom we have been praying.

Pray for new converts and new Knights.

Our Brother Vince will be leaving shortly for a visit to Rome, let's pray for his safe return.

Lent is starting - it should not be a season of "just giving up things", but rather one of seeking to increase our devotion and relationship with God. In which way will you "LENT" during this season?



Lent is the Season of Preparation  
"Oh, Lord, what do I have that you have not given me first. What can I do, that you have not done for me already. Help me during this time to make ready for your Passion and Death. That I might share in Your Resurrection and Glory. Amen.

### **Want to Come to a Meeting, but have transportation problems?**

Have you been unable to make a council meeting because of transportation needs? For some of our older brothers driving at night becomes a real challenge. Or maybe an illness or problem limits your ability to drive. Please, allow us to help. Brother Knights stand ready and are more than willing to "share" a ride for you to come to our meetings. Just let any officer know - It would be a privilege and joy to be of service.

## Malvern Retreat Program at 2nd. Open Dinner Meeting, 7:00 PM - February 19th

Our second open meeting will be held again at Moorehead's Catering in Trappe. The program is all about the Malvern Retreat Experience and our guest speakers will be Michael P. Mintern the President of the Laymen's Retreat League and Wayne Meierdiercks, our retreat captain. This evening is open to Knights, their families, friends and guests. Cost are \$12.00 per dinner which is buffet style - all you can eat. There will be a 1/2 hour wine and cheese social before the meeting.

Michael P. Mintern is the President of the Malvern Retreat House in Malvern, PA. The retreat house serves nearly 20,000 Retreatants each year. Mike is a native of Philadelphia, a 1970 graduate of St. Mary's University in Baltimore, MD., and did his graduate studies at the Catholic University of America. Mike has worked extensively with the US Catholic Conference of Bishops in the areas of communication and fund raising.

Wayne Meierdiercks is the new Knights of Columbus Fraternal Advisor for our council. He sings with the St. Titus Church Choir and lives with his wife and two children in Jeffersonville. Wayne has been a Man of Malvern since 1984 and is currently C.A. Captain of "Our Lady's" Group which meets the first weekend in June every year and which retreat we attend as Knights of this council



**Corrigan Hall**



**Our Lady's Hall**

### **RETREAT - What's In It For Me ?**

Some, when they are asked to go on a retreat, think of it as a very stern time, being on their knees, not eating and not talking. They feel only the very religious people go on retreat. Not so, rather, it is a time to step aside, relax and look at your life.

Those who make retreats come from all walks of life and all professions. They are like you, seeking to strengthen, renew, or discover their personal relationship with God.

Naturally, there are a number of religious ceremonies centered on the Eucharist. You'll have an opportunity to go to reconciliation if you wish, say the Rosary and walk the Stations of the Cross alone or with others. You can participate in discussions of interest to you, have a private conference with a retreat director and enjoy time set aside for meditation. A highlight for those who wish to have a personal visit with Our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament, is the Private Adoration which is provided in four magnificent Oratories. This may be the greatest one-on-one experience in your life.

**JOIN US ON OUR RETREAT IN JUNE**



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