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“There is Strength in Unity”

The Monthly Newsletter of:

John Paul I Council—Knights of Columbus

Serving Visitation BVM & Saint Teresa of Avila Parishes

May 2002 AD

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 3 YR. TRUSTEE.....Dominic Costanzo, PGK (630-4216)
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From our Grand Knight



Brother Knights, this month I would like to address two important activities, first the annual ARC collection. Each year we take time from our busy lives to collect for the disabled. Last year we collected \$ 840 and we were quite comfortable with that figure. This year 21 of our brothers participated. They donated 43 hours of their time and collected \$ 1,304. This fund drive was an overwhelming success and it was due to your hard work and dedication. I would like to thank each of you and especially our committee chairman, Barry Dressler, who did a outstanding job.

The second activity concerns our goal to provide a variety of spiritual programs. Since our Chaplain, Msgr. Golias joined our ranks we have been able to lift this effort to a higher level. We have encouraged our members to join us for the Men's Weekly Bible Study at Saint Teresa (open to all men). We are sponsoring our second annual retreat to Malvern (St. Joseph in the Hills). We have sponsored a Mass for the unborn and the response from our members has been encouraging. Now with the guidance of Msgr. Golias we would like to sponsor a council retreat for the members and their families. As you read this month's newsletter you will receive the dates and the activities planned for this event. I hope that you will make every effort to participate in this wonderful family spiritual activity.

Election of Officers

May 21st. 2002

Slate of Officers for the coming year inside!



**Fourth Degree
May 26th. 2002**

May God bless You,

TED

Visit Our Web Site : www.kofc7565.org



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, May 21st. - 7:30 PM
Regular Council Meeting - Larkin Center
Election of Officers for 2002-2003. Plan to attend and make your vote count.

Saturday, May 25th. - Dinner at La Fontana
All Knights and their Ladies are invited to attend. Dinner a la carte from the menu. Call Brother Vince Gonzalez with your reservation today.

Sunday, May 26th. - Fourth Degree
Come to the Adam's Mark to support our Brothers making this degree.
It will be a great time to remember what this degree is all about. Mark your calendar now!

Tuesday, June 4th—7:30 PM
Officers' Meeting at Saint Teresa. All Brother Knights are welcome to attend.

Sunday, June 30th. 1 PM—5 PM
Eucharistic Retreat at Saint Teresa for Knights and their families. This is Special.

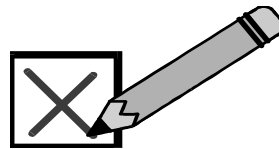
Saturday, July 13th. 3 PM
Reading Phillies Night for Our Council

Sunday, July 21st. 2 PM
Knights Picnic for our Family

WE HAVE A FULL SCHEDULE

It's not too late to Sign Up for Our Retreat Weekend

Brother Knights - you are cordially invited to Our Lady's Group Retreat at Malvern May 31st, June 1st and 2nd. This will be the 75th Anniversary of this group (to which our council now belongs) and it promises to be a very special weekend. Last year six of our Brothers attended for the first time as a Knight's activity. We are hoping to double that attendance this year. It is a time of spiritual blessing and renewal. Please contact Brother Ralph Garcia, Associate Retreat Captain (610-631-0365) for further information. You can also visit their website at <http://st-joseph-in-the-hills.org>. It will be a retreat you will never regret making.



Proposed Slate of Officers 2002-2003

Note: Nominations from the floor can be made at the election.

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DEPUTY GR. KNIGHT.....Dennis Mann
CHANCELLOR.....Vince Gonzalez
RECORDER.....Walt Edney
TREASURER.....Rodger Tartaglia
WARDEN.....Chris Kernsek
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ADVOCATE.....Rick McDonald

**All other positions in the council
are by appointment.**

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.



**To the Knights
who gave of their
time to the 2002
ARC Drive.**

ARC Drive a Success

The 2002 ARC Drive chaired by Brother Barry Dressler raised **\$1304.00**. Great Job!
Special thanks to the Brothers listed below who gave of their time to make this a success:
Walt Ednie, Ralph Gracia, Dennis Mann, Jack Kees, Barry Dressler, Bud Swedkowski, Ted Raffetto, Dominic Costanzo, Anthony Pensabene, Rick McDonald, John Diesel, Tom Smith, Charles Mehl Jr., Dan Massino, Tom Boyle, Dan Kopcik, Tony Coppa, Cas Janicki, Mark Mazur and Bill Buchanan.
It is a mark of Christian Charity to help those less fortunate.

Lottery Tickets

These Tickets are our regular monthly fund raiser.

Please participate.

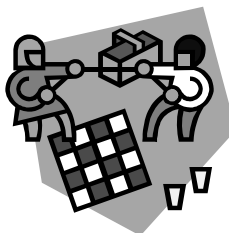
If every Knight would buy at least one ticket per month, our council would benefit greatly.

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.



Reading Phillies
Night Game - July 13th.
Includes dinner and
Transportation
\$25.00 per person
Seats still Available
Contact Brother Vince
Gonzalez ASAP.



Sunday, July 21st. 2 PM
Knights Family Picnic
Swimming, Games and a lot
more - Reserve the date!
Details to follow



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First Eucharistic Retreat for Our Council

In conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Eucharistic Convention in Washington, our council is having a Eucharistic Retreat for our families and us. The date is Sunday, June 30th, at Saint Theresa of Avila Church. The program is still taking shape, but under the guidance of our Chaplain, Monsignor Golias, the retreat promises to be a great spiritual experience. The following schedule is still tentative as to what we are doing, but the date and place are certain. The program will consist of at least four modules. That gives you and your families the opportunity to participate in one, two or all of the events. The first module will be in the form of a time for us in the chapel with the Blessed Sacrament. This will probably be from One to Two O'clock. We hope to have an honor guard of Knights for this. From Two to Three (or thereabout) we will have a conference on "the Family at the Table of The Lord" (Eucharist) or a related relevant subject conducted by our Chaplain with our participation. The third module will be a Mass for our families and us; followed by a time of fellowship and food together.

It is our hope that as many Knights with their wives, children and families will participate in part (we understand children can not sit all afternoon) or in all of the events.

Again, the form is not yet fully in place, but this is a rough idea of how our Retreat might look. Further details will follow as the program is completed. We want our council to be a spiritual council for you, our Brother Knights, and your families. This is an important step in that direction. Your comments and suggestions are welcome.