

## **DEL-CHESTER SERRA CLUB**

## FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

ANOTHER GREAT LOSS FOR DELCHESTER Josephine Costa, who together with her husband Tony, was a long time active member of Delchester, died recently. Jo joined Tom Cavanaugh and Larry Bruggerman as members that we have lost and will sorely miss. However, Jo suffered greatly over the past several months and, although it is tough to see such friends die, we must realize that they are now better off than we are. We can be sure that these three friends are safe in heaven.

WE ARE ENTERING A VERY BUSY SEASON The Essay Contest and the Altar Servers award program are already underway. On February 22, Cardinal Rigali will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral for all the Altar Servers. Serrans are asked to help by way of ushering, registration, etc. If you wish to volunteer to help, please let Margaret know.

NIGHT OF RECOLLECTION Each year, early in Lent, District 28 sponsors a NIGHT OF RECOLLECTION at the St. Raphaela Retreat House in Havertown. What a wonderful way to begin Lent. The event is presided over by Msgr. Fitzgerald and begins with dinner at 6 PM, then a Holy Hour and ends with Mass. The St. Raphaela Center is operated by the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and our reservations must be submitted to them by February 25. We should all try to attend this event on March 4<sup>th</sup>. Let's arrange to Car Pool.

CHARTER NIGHT IS SUNDAY, APRIL 26 We had to move up a week to accommodate our speaker, Bishop Cistone. So that means the deadline for Ads and Patrons also must move up. And that means that YOU MUST GET BUSY RIGHT NOW SELLING THOSE ADS AND PATRONS. Seriously folks, this ad book is absolutely vital to Delchester to be able to do all of our Vocation programs. WE MUST HAVE ALL ENTRIES BY APRIL 1, no fooling. If you find that some businesses are suffering from the economic situation and cannot afford an ad, tell them you understand their situation, but can they at least give you a \$10.00 Patron. Every little bit helps. Tell them their business name can be used with a Patron donation. This makes it basically a \$10.00 ad for them.

AS WE PRAY FOR OUR DEPARTED MEMBERS TOM, LARRY, AND JO, let us also pray for any members who are not well.

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