



Msgr. Francis L. Sampson Assembly
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
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New Sir Knights

The local Assemblies of Cedar Rapids/Marion held a 4th Degree Exemplification at St Jude Elementary on Saturday, April 10. A total of twenty-eight new Sir Knights received honors of the 4th Degree by District Master Dick Makinster. Of this total, your Assembly added eleven new Sir Knights. The new Sir Knights are as follows: Sam Black, Ed Faber, Derek Miller, Henry Reicks, Roy VanDorston, and Michael Whitson from Council #11942 and Stuart Farmer, Jacob Hughes, Michael McElmeel, Kevin. J. Pilcher and Marvin Weber from Council #5544. Following Mass as Sir Knights and their ladies sat in a group, a banquet and dance was held in the Parish Center with over 150 in attendance. The honoree for the Exemplification and the banquet was Sir Knight George Miller a member of Council #909 and Bowen General Assembly, Cedar Rapids. George commented that he been a 3rd Degree member for a number of years and became a Sir Knight after he attended his father's wake and funeral and was impressed with the dignity of Sir Knights who honored his father at that time. His remarks to the new Sir Knights ended with "get your regalia and become a member of the color corps". Sound advice, indeed!



*Front: Gene Tang, K.J. Pilcher, Jacob Hughes, Marv Weber, Mike Whitson, Henry Reicks,
Roy VanDorston, Mike McElmeel.*

Back: Derek Miller, Ed Faber, Stuart Farmer, Sam Black, Nick Volk, Jeff Freiling

By-Laws

Enclosed with this newsletter is a copy of the proposed By-Laws for the Assembly. We will be voting to formally adopt these by-laws at the next business meeting. Please read them over and be prepared to further discuss, amend or approve. Items of note are the \$25.00 annual dues, meeting on the 4th Tuesday, number of members to make a quorum and \$250 prior approval limit on expenses.

Election of Officers

A Nominating Committee will be working on a slate of officers to be elected at the May business meeting for the Fraternal Year 2010-2011. They will be listed in the next newsletter. Other nominations for each office will be taken from the floor at that May meeting.

Sharing Resources: Sir Knight to Sir Knight

As stated last month, several Sir Knights have made it know that they have tuxedos in good shape that they have grown out of and are willing to part with if someone knows a member or candidate in need. Other members have books and videos that they are willing lend out to anyone that would like to use them. Two of the books available to borrow are:

"Look out Below", (Paratrooper Padre), by Francis L. Sampson

"Patriotism and Fraternalism in the Knights of Columbus" (A History of the Fourth Degree), by Christopher Kauffman

The Faithful Pilot Nick Volk, 846-2633 or 551-9455 will be the contact person for this if anyone is interested in obtaining any of these items. We will list other items in future newsletters or on our coming web site as long as there is enough interest.

The next business meeting will be held on Monday, April 26 at John XXIII at 7PM.

Rosary will begin at 6:40. Agenda items shall include final approval of the By-laws; reports from the Chalice Committee and Membership Committee. Discussion will be held regarding election of Officers for the 2010-2011 Fraternal Year and Memorial Day activities. Please bring your ideas and suggestions. A light luncheon and cards will follow the conclusion of the meeting.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

SAT	April 17	Special Olympics @ Coe College, 9:15 Honor Guard
MON	April 26	Business Meeting/John XXIII @ 7PM
FRI	April 30	K of C State Convention/4th Degree Exemplification/District Meeting Marriott Hotel, Des Moines
MON	May 24	Business Meeting/Election of Officers/John XXIII @ 7PM
MON	May 31	Memorial Day (Observed)