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Msgr. Francis L. Sampson Assembly
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Social Holiday Party

The Assembly held its second Holiday Party on Sunday, January 9 at St Jude Parish Center. The event was planned and directed by Gene & Rhonda Tang and Jerry & Maurnee Mackey who did a great job just like last year. A gift exchange game, snacks, treats and cheer, along with a comprehensive Board game provided the fun and fellowship. This is one of two informal social gatherings that your Assembly holds along with the summer BBQ. Our hope is that you will find these socials a fulfilling part of your 4th Degree membership. Please make it a point to join in the fun the next time we hold one.



Membership

Faithful Comptroller Russ Stocker has mailed out the 2011 dues notices last month and a total of 38 have paid to date. Please make payment as soon as you can. A reminder to all gentlemen Sir Knights; that payment of your 4th Degree dues is a conditional membership *provided your 3rd Degree Council dues are current*. Please remit your Council dues timely to the Financial Secretary of your Council and take care of this.

Valentine's Day Social

Members are reminded that the next social will be our Valentine's Day Party to be held on Sunday, February 13th at the Ced-Rel Supper Club. There is a flyer included with this letter with more information. Please make note of the RSVP deadline. This is a formal social event and a great chance Sir Knights to treat your ladies to a very nice dinner. Please also invite any prospective 4rd Degree candidate and spouse to join us that day.

Honoring our Own

Father Thomas J. Schwinn Council #11942 is honoring one of their members with a special event on Saturday, January 29th. Sir Knight Curtis Selzer will be honored for his **70 years** of membership in the Knights of Columbus at a dinner and reception held at the American Legion Hall in Fairfax. The dinner will be catered by Ruzicka's and tickets can be purchased in advance for \$12.50. A limited number of dinner tickets will also be available at the door at \$15.00. To purchase tickets or for more information, please contact the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Captain.

Reminders

Members are asked to help recruit new Sir Knights to this Assembly. The next Exemplification in the area will be on April 8th at the State Convention held at the Coralville Marriott. We have set a goal of **ten** new members for this year and we need everyone's help. If you know someone who you think would be a good candidate please let the Membership Committee know as soon as possible. You are also reminded to turn in your choice of a tangible memorial to the Chalice Committee. Finally, if you know a member that needs hospital or home visitation, please contact the Welfare Committee.

Essay Contest

The Assembly will be conducting an Essay Contest during February for the youth of St. Jude and Blessed John XXIII parishes. Help is needed with judging of the essays. Please contact the Faithful Captain if you can assist with this project.

Color Corps

The Commander reports that there were no Color Guards requested or provided of late. However, at a minimum the Color Guard will participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in March. Please contact the Commander if you have obtained regalia and wish to be a part of the Corps.

The next business meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 25 at John XXIII at 7PM.

Rosary will begin at 6:40. Agenda items shall include delegates to the District (State) Convention and the 4th Degree Exemplification. The topic of discussion will be the 10th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. A light luncheon and cards will follow the conclusion of the meeting.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

TUES	Jan 25	Business Meeting/John XXIII @ 7PM
SAT	Jan 29	Curtis Selzer (A Knight to Remember) Dinner/Reception, Fairfax Legion
SUN	Feb 13	Valentine's Day Dinner Social at Ced-Rel @ 4:30PM
WED	March 9	Ash Wednesday (Lent Begins)