



Msgr. Francis L. Sampson Assembly
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
MARCH-APRIL 2012

Valentine's Day Social

A total of 22 Sir Knights, along spouses, friends and guests enjoyed an early evening of fun, food, and fraternity at our third Valentine's Day Dinner at the Ced-Rel Supper Club on February 12.



A total of 39 attended this social activity. We were joined by two prospective members at this social whom were warmly welcomed by the Assembly Sir Knights and Ladies. A drawing was held and several prizes given to the lucky winners. We were also honored to have two of our Sir Knights; widows also join us this year. The Assembly has tentatively booked the same venue for next year's celebration on Sunday, February 10, 2013. Mark your calendar now and join in on the fun.

Membership

Faithful Comptroller Russ Stocker still has a few members who have not remitted their 2012 dues. 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.

Exemplification

A 4th Degree Exemplification honoring Father Wayne Droessler will also be held on Saturday, March 24 at St. Jude, Cedar Rapids. At the present time we have two signed applications for admission and need about five more. Please make an effort to recruit more new members to the 4th Degree. As there will not be an Assembly meeting in March, please attend the banquet as our social. One of our applications is from Father Mark Reasoner, so would also like to see the 4:30 Mass be a Corporate Communion for this Assembly. There is an attachment with this letter with more specific information. We are co-hosting this exemplification and this is a great opportunity to welcome our new members as well the rest of the new class.

State Convention

At the business meeting held February 27 the following Sir Knights were elected as delegates to the District Convention in Sioux City April 13th: Jay Fields and David Olberding with John McGinness and Nick Volk elected as Alternates.

Color Corps

The Commander reports that are two requests for Color Guard coming up. One will be for the St. Patrick's Day Parade, March 17th and the other for a Mass for the Unborn on the feast of the Annunciation, March 26th at St. Wenceslaus, Cedar Rapids. Watch the website and your email for more specific information about time and places. Please contact the Commander if you have obtained regalia and wish to be a part of the Corps.

Why We Stand

We usually receive letters of thanks from individuals or groups for the Color Corps participation at various activities. Once in a while you get a card that reminds you just why we stand.

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree:

Words cannot possibly express the full gratitude and sincere appreciation our family feels toward your organization. Your noble display of respect, honor and kinship at our father's funeral services were an amazing display for us to witness. Your show of strength in full uniform at the Rosary, the guarding of the casket, the entrance procession into the church and the flags flying at attention in the cemetery were absolutely stunning. Our family is blessed to have had such a great father and we feel equally blessed to have experienced such a royal celebration of his life. Please accept our most heartfelt thanks.

The John Graff Family

The next business meeting will be held on Monday, April 23 at John XXIII at 7PM.

Rosary will begin at 6:40. We will also go over some of the individual drill instructions for Honor Guard. A light luncheon will follow the conclusion of the meeting.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

THU	March 8	Council #11942 Meeting/St. Patrick, Fairfax @ 7:30PM
WED	March 14	Council #5544 Meeting @ 7PM
SAT	March 17	St. Patrick's Day Parade, Cedar Rapids, assemble 12:30PM
SUN	March 18	2nd & 3rd Degree @ Council #909, Cedar Rapids, 1PM
SAT	March 24	4th Degree Exemplification/Banquet @ St. Jude
MON	March 26	Honor Guard/Mass for the Unborn/St. Wenc, assemble 6:30PM
SUN	April 8	Easter (Alleluia, He Is Risen!)
WED	April 11	Council #5544 Meeting @ 7PM
THU	April 12	Council #11942 Meeting/St. Patrick, Fairfax @ 7:30PM
FRI	April 13	District Convention @ Sioux City
MON	April 23	Business Meeting @ John XXIII @ 7PM