



**Msgr. Francis L. Sampson Assembly**  
**Cedar Rapids, Iowa**  
**MARCH-APRIL 2013**

**Valentine's Day Social**



The Assembly had another nice turnout for our fourth Valentine's Day Dinner Social at the Ced-Rel Supper Club on Sunday, February 10. A total of 38 Sir Knights, spouses, widows and prospective members and spouses attended. A drawing was again held to give out prizes to the attendees. The Assembly was also happy to present Sir Knight Father Mark Reasoner with the Mass Travel Kit per the wishes of Mary Graff and family. This is one of four formal attire socials that the Assembly schedules each year. The other three are the

Exemplification dinner in the spring, the Installation of Officers Dinner in the summer and the Chalice Presentation Dinner in the fall.

**Exemplification**

The next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification in our area will be held on Friday, April 26 at the State Convention in Coralville. At the present time we have three signed applications for admission and could use a few more. Please make an effort to recruit more new members to the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree. The Friday night banquet at the Convention will serve as our social so try to attend that as well to welcome our new Sir Knights. Information and a reservation form are attached.

**Business Meeting Notes**

At the business meeting held January 28 the following Sir Knights were elected as delegates to the District Convention in Coralville April 26th: Jay Fields and David Fry with Chris Zaugg and Harry Holland elected as Alternates. During the program portion of the meeting, a lively and yet timely discussion was held concerning constitutional rights of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment. While positions were taken on a number of issues, the civil discussion was a benefit to all Sir Knights as good citizens.

**Membership**

Faithful Comptroller Russ Stocker still has a few members who have not remitted their 2013 dues. Please make payment as soon as you can. A reminder to all gentlemen Sir Knights; that payment of your 4<sup>th</sup> Degree dues is a conditional membership *provided your 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Council dues are current*. Please remit your Council dues timely to the Financial Secretary of your Council and take care of this

## **Color Corps**

The Commander reports that there are several requests for Color Guard coming up. The first will be for the St. Patrick's Day Parade, on March 17<sup>th</sup> gathering at 12:30PM. The next is for the St. Joseph's Day parade on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> also gathering at 12:30PM. Also on the same day will be the Catholic Men's Conference at Xavier High School for Mass with the Archbishop. The Honor Guard to meet at 3:30PM. Finally there will be a Mass for the Unborn on the feast of the Annunciation, March 25<sup>th</sup> at St. Wenceslaus, Cedar Rapids. Honor Guard to meet at 6:30PM. This is the same night as the Assembly Business Meeting. Please contact the Commander, Jay Fields, if you have obtained regalia and wish to be a part of the Corps.



### **The next business meeting will be held on Monday, March 25th at John XXIII at 7PM.**

Rosary will begin at 6:40. We will need to finalize our recruitment efforts to gain new members at this meeting. A light luncheon will follow the conclusion of the meeting.

## **UPCOMING CALENDAR**

<b>WED</b>	<b>March 13</b>	<b>Council #5544 Meeting @ 7PM</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>March 14</b>	<b>Council #11942 Meeting/St. Patrick, Fairfax @ 7:30PM</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>March 17</b>	<b>St. Patrick's Day Parade, Cedar Rapids, assemble 12:30PM</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>March 25</b>	<b>St. Joseph's Day Parade &amp; Catholic Men's Conference</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>March 25</b>	<b>Honor Guard/Mass for the Unborn/St. Wenc, assemble 6:30PM</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>March 25</b>	<b>Assembly Business Meeting at John XXIII at 7PM</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>March 31</b>	<b>Easter (Alleluia, He Is Risen!)</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>April 10</b>	<b>Council #5544 Meeting @ 7PM</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>April 11</b>	<b>Council #11942 Meeting/St. Patrick, Fairfax @ 7:30PM</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>April 26</b>	<b>District Convention and 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Banquet @ Coralville</b>