



**Msgr. Francis L. Sampson Assembly**  
**Cedar Rapids, Iowa**  
**MAY 2010**

**Election of Officers**

The Nominating Committee has been working on a slate of officers to be elected at the May business meeting for the Fraternal Year 2010-2011. The candidates to be nominated are as follows: Faithful Navigator – John McGinness; Faithful Captain – Nick Volk; Faithful Admiral – Jim Nieman; Faithful Comptroller – Russ Stocker; Faithful Pilot – Jay Fields; Faithful Purser – Tim Kroeze; Faithful Scribe – David Fry; Faithful Outer Sentinel – Harry Holland; Faithful Inner Sentinel - David Olberding; Faithful Trustee (3 Yr) – Tom Auterman. *[Faithful Trustees Tim Tompas and Stan Scheiding have remaining years to their current term]*. Any additional nominations for these offices will be taken from the floor at this meeting.

**Color Corps Regalia**

Several new Sir Knights have also inquired about purchasing Color Corps regalia. Attached is a flyer from Lynch & Kelley one of the suppliers of these items. We have been informed that delivery could be 4-5 weeks so please keep that in mind when ordering. It is the goal of this Assembly to have the largest and most active Color Corps as possible. Please consider this seriously. Once you become a participating member of the Corps you will not regret it.



*Honor Guard at the Special Olympics Opening Ceremonies at Coe College on April 17<sup>th</sup> include John McGinness, Nick Volk, Mark Kramer, Jim Nieman and Jay Fields.*

**Help us Contact you**

If you are receiving this newsletter by regular mail, it means that we don't have your email address. You may not have one and that is fine. However, if you do have email, please reply to [volkhaus@southslope.net](mailto:volkhaus@southslope.net) and we'll get you updated on our mailing list. We will be contacting you only for meeting notices, newsletters and reminders for Assembly events. Thank you for your help!

## **4<sup>th</sup> Degree Organization**

Many of the new Sir Knights have been asking as to how the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree is organized and its relationship to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Councils. First of all 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assemblies are NOT in competition with 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Councils. As a matter of fact Assemblies are chartered from existing 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Councils. In our case from Msgr. Daniel Lenihan Council #5544 and Father Thomas J. Schwinn Council #11942. While our individuals assembly members may (and do) come from various Councils, our charge is to **assist** those Councils and the respective parishes they serve.

Additionally, each assembly is under the jurisdiction of a District. Each District has a Master with Assistants to the Master. The District in our case is the entire state of Iowa. There are a total of 36 Assemblies in the District (State) of Iowa. **See the attached map.** Each District is assigned to a Province. Iowa is in the Father Padilla Province which also includes Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri. Each province is led by the Vice Supreme Master. The final step up the ladder is obviously the Supreme level led by the Supreme Master.

## **Shirt Orders**

Several Sir Knights have asked about purchasing a shirt from the Assembly. In case you haven't seen it, here is a look. These polos come from Land's End and can be purchased for \$30. We can also get long sleeved sports twill shirts for the same price. We would like to take advantage of pricing breaks with the difference going into the Assemblies General Account. We will be taking orders over the next few months and will place the order when advantageous to us. You will pay for the shirt when you pick it up. Please contact Nick Volk with your size and we'll get a shirt ordered for you.



## **The next business meeting will be held on Monday, May 24 at John XXIII at 7PM.**

Rosary will begin at 6:40. Agenda items shall include election of Officers for the 2010-2011 Fraternal Year, Memorial Day observances and other summer activities. Please bring your ideas and suggestions. A light luncheon and cards will follow the conclusion of the meeting.

## **UPCOMING CALENDAR**

<b>MON May 24</b>	<b>Business Meeting/Election of Officers/John XXIII @ 7PM</b>
<b>MON May 31</b>	<b>Memorial Day Masses with Honor Guards</b>
<b>SUN June 6</b>	<b>Corpus Christi Mass/Procession 10 AM St. Patrick Green - Fairfax</b>
<b>MON June 28</b>	<b>Business Meeting/John XXIII @ 7PM</b>