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*Patriotic degree of the Order.*

**Msgr. Francis L. Sampson Assembly**  
**Cedar Rapids, Iowa**  
**MAY - JUNE, 2014**

*From the Faithful Navigator*

**Sir Knights:**

It is hard to believe that another fraternal year is coming to a close. We have had a very successful year so far and I am privileged to lead such a great Assembly. The Assembly held our first ever and successful fund raiser for the Military Chaplain Seminarians Scholarship. Members of our Color Corps have been also been represented at most of the local ceremonies, liturgies, and civic events.

I am pleased with our efforts to encourage more of our members to become Sir Knights. During the past year we have had four new Sir Knights join our Assembly plus one transfer. I was also very proud of our Assembly at the Exemplification held in March. The Color Guard was manned by our Captain/CCC, our Pilot and both our Sentinels, Jay Fields, Gene Tang, Kurt Kinion and Chris Zaugg, respectively. Your Navigator and Admiral, standing among the others of the Honor Guard, were impressed with the solemnity and dignity that you displayed in these duties. Well done gentlemen!

Finally, we will be electing new officers in May for the upcoming Fraternal Year. I have asked John McGinness, Gene Tang and Dave Fry to act as a Nominating Committee. If you have a desire to fill any the offices, please contact them. We will post the proposed slate for nomination 10 days prior to the election which will be May 26. Nomination will also be accepted at the meeting.

Fraternally,

Nick Volk, FN

**Seminarian Scholarship Fund For Military Chaplains**

On March 15 during the dinner following the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification, a check for \$1,000 was presented to District Master Patrick O' Keefe by Faithful Navigator Nick Volk. The check was raised from profits made during the Pancake Breakfast held on February 16. The District Master reports that over \$16,000 has been raised so far in this jurisdiction. The goal for the State of Iowa is \$20,000. We can be proud of contributing 5% of the stated goal!



## Membership

Msr. Sampson Assembly is proud to welcome four new members who were conferred honors of the Fourth Degree at Exemplifications in Cedar Rapids and Des Moines. New Sir Knights are Tom Manternach and Curtis Schulz from Council #11942 and Russell Yount and Deacon John Winkel from Council #5544. Congratulations and we are honored to have you be part of our Assembly!

## Honor Guard Activities



Color Corps members were busy these last two months by providing Honor Guards at the Feast of the Annuciation at St. Wenc, Men's Conference at Xavier High School, Opening Ceremonies for Special Olympics Regional Games at Coe College, and the April Honor Flight at the Eastern Iowa Airport. There are a number of opportunities for our presence at liturgies and civic ceremonies this spring. Please consult the calendar and watch for Sir Knight updates by email. Those of you who have some regalia items, please try to complete your attire. We encourage and welcome more members of the Color Corps.

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

Rosary will begin at 6:40. Agenda items shall include election of Officers for the 2014-2015 Fraternal Year. This meeting will be brief as we will retire the colors at St. Joseph's Cemetery at dusk.

## **UPCOMING CALENDAR**

<b>TUE</b>	<b>May 13</b>	<b>Council #11942 Business Meeting @ 7PM, John XXIII</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>May 14</b>	<b>Council #5544 Business Meeting @ 7PM, St. Jude</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>May 21</b>	<b>Honor Flight Eastern Iowa Airport</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>May 26</b>	<b>Memorial Day Masses/Honor Guard, St. Joe's &amp; St. Pat's Cemeteries @ 9AM</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>May 26</b>	<b>Business Meeting/Election of Officers/John XXIII @ 7PM</b>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>June 10</b>	<b>Council #11942 Business Meeting @ 7PM, John XXIII</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>June 11</b>	<b>Council #5544 Business Meeting @ 7PM, St. Jude</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>June 14</b>	<b>Flag Day</b>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>June 24</b>	<b>Business Meeting/John XXIII @ 7PM</b>

