



# The SEXTANT

Knights of Columbus  
Msgr. Henry Speck Fourth Degree Assembly #2300  
Owatonna, MN 55060



September 2009

## From the Faithful Navigator – Paul Schneider

Sir Knights & Ladies,

On August 2nd our Assembly was asked to provide Honor Guard support at the dedication of Divine Mercy Church in Faribault. We had a strong showing in support of the General Shield Honor Guard. Eleven Sir Knights participated in full regalia from our Msgr. Henry Speck Assembly.

The month of September will bring some changes to our Assembly business-meeting format. At the August Officer's meeting we discussed and decided that our business meetings and social activities would be separated. Business meetings will be open to members in good standing only. The meetings will continue to be conducted on the fourth Thursday of each month with a new meeting time of 7:30 p.m.

The Officers also voted to discontinue dinners before meetings beginning in September. Faithful Comptroller Duane Ludewig provided some financial statistics. It showed our Assembly has subsidized over \$300.00 for meals in the past year. It was agreed that this money could be better used towards our larger social events involving members and their families. Snacks during fellowship after our meeting will take the place of the meals. These recommendations were presented to the Assembly and approved at our August business meeting.

Future speaker presentations will take place on an ad hoc basis. If you find someone you would like to invite as a speaker please let me know. Scheduled speaker presentations would take place after the completion of our business meeting.

With these changes our assembly will have time to generate ideas and further focus on our mission - faith and patriotism. Not only will this give us the opportunity to create new ideas, we can also revisit ideas from the past that maybe have been forgotten due to time constraints.

Please mark your calendars for meeting dates and bring your ideas to the floor. At the same time enjoy some fellowship with your fellow Sir Knights.

Presently, our social events number around five activities throughout the year. The goal of these changes is to take care of business as efficiently as possible while creating new social opportunities moving forward.

## Top Sword Picnic September 17th

Top Sword picnic will be at the Gaine Park pavillion. Sir Knight Tim Rice will prepare Windsor Chops. The chops will be served with baked potato, vegetable, dinner roll and beverages.

Please bring a dish to share and/or your favorite dessert. Who will this year's Top Sword recognition go to?

Please call to RSVP with Glen Meger by September 10<sup>th</sup> at 451-2362.

## Honor Guard Report

Sunday August 2<sup>nd</sup> Divine Mercy Church Dedication in Faribault: Honor Guard included Conrad Bahe, Frank Conley, Joe Elbert, Otto Havelka, Glen Meger, Mark Nelson, Time Rice, Peter Schneider, Chuck Walerius, Eric Wandersee, Ray Willmott.

Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup> Corporate Communion: Honor Guard included Joe Elbert, Paul Schneider, Frank Conley, Dennis Kelm, Eric Wandersee, Walt Spindler, and Ray Willmott.

Otto Havelka, Ludewig Wencil, Laverne Klecker, Chuck Walerius, and Mark Nelson singing in the chorus. George Zwack ushering during the Mass.

Thank you to everyone for your participation and commitment.



## Fall Exemplification October 17th

**The fall 2009 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification will be held in Marshall Minnesota October 17<sup>th</sup> and hosted by Holy Redeemer Assembly.**

Some applications have been requested and a room has been reserved at the Best Western Inn where our Assembly will host a Hospitality room if we have new members going through exemplification. To reserve your room or prospect's room call 507-532-3221 and mention the KC Exemplification for discounts.

**No applications have been turned back in as of this publication.** Please contact your prospects and remind them to get applications back to you so they can be forwarded to our Faithful Comptroller Duane Ludewig for registration. **Also tuxedos need to be ordered by the end of Labor Day week in order to be finished on time for Exemplification. Orders are taken at St. Clairs for Men.**

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## Fourth Degree Meeting

Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
 Business meeting at 7:30 p.m. Fellowship to follow.

### Meeting September 24th

**Mark your calendar.**

**This will be the first meeting under our new format.**

Our business meeting will be September 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. upstairs at the hall. All members are encouraged to come and bring your thoughts and ideas. There will be snacks and fellowship immediately following the meeting.

### Social Events

Top Sword Awards Picnic: Gainey Park September 17<sup>th</sup>.

All Honor Guard members and family are invited to our Top Sword Award picnic. The picnic is held annually with recognition given to the most active Honor Guard member over the past year.

**Food For Thought.....**  
 Doing nothing is very hard to do.....you never know when you're finished - Leslie Nielson

### September Anniversaries



- George & Gilda Zwack ..... Sept. 1*
- Tim & Linda Rice ..... Sept. 3*
- Patrick & Mona Rose ..... Sept. 4*
- Dennis & Becky Kelm ..... Sept. 5*
- Joseph & Linda Elbert ..... Sept. 10*
- John & Darlene Mumm ..... Sept. 13*
- Tom & Marlys Knight ..... Sept. 17*
- James & Rita Berning ..... Sept. 24*
- Duane & Janette Galea ..... Sept. 25*
- Jim & Barb Wendl ..... Sept. 26*

### Upcoming Events

**Top Sword Award Picnic:** September 17<sup>th</sup>

**KC Golf Tournament:** September 26<sup>th</sup>  
 (Check at the hall or your September Key for details)

**Respect Life Rosary March:** October 11<sup>th</sup>.

### Aid and Assistance

Please remember in your prayers all of our sick and injured Assembly members and family members. Also remember those deceased individuals and their families:

- Ann (Geurts) Rekkedahl, mother-in-law of Sir Knight Gil Mamer, passed away on August 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Andrew Geuarts, cousin of Mary Mamer and Sir Knight Gil Mamer, passed away in August.

Send information on any persons in distress to Greg Nelson at [gselfam@hickorytech.net](mailto:gselfam@hickorytech.net).

### September Birthdays



- Janice Krauth ..... Sept. 2*
- Leola McNameey ..... Sept. 2*
- Joe Breckner ..... Sept. 4*
- Jim Wend ..... Sept. 5*
- Phyllis Wheeler ..... Sept. 10*
- Juanita Chevalier ..... Sept. 12*
- Tom Burke ..... Sept. 16*
- Patrick Fagan ..... Sept. 17*
- Jan Bower ..... Sept. 27*
- Bruce Bom ..... Sept. 20*
- Joyce Elbert ..... Sept. 25*
- Karen Ludwig ..... Sept. 27*
- Jeneane Snyder ..... Sept. 28*

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from our list, please call Walt Spindler at 451-7613