



FOURTH DEGREE ANNOUNCEMENT

BISHOP GALLAGHER ASSEMBLY 1091

Bryan, Texas - U.S.A.

Home Assembly of District VI Master Joe Moreno, Jr.

Month of
Our Lady
of Sorrows

SEPTEMBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

The monthly newsletter is available at <http://www.stjosephbc.org/documents/4thdegreeannouncements.pdf>.

Sir Knights - You are bestowed the honor of Knighthood and continue in your journey in learning the lesson of PATRIOTISM. The major purpose of Fourth Degree membership is fostering the spirit of PATRIOTISM in members and the community and encouraging Catholic citizenship. As a Fourth Degree Knight, you are requested to be a part of the Assembly's Color Corps. As an honor guard, you are recognized widely by the distinctive attire of tuxedo, feathered hat (chapeau), cape, and sword. You are obligated to take part in civic events, such as parades and wreath-laying ceremonies, and in ecclesial functions of our Catholic churches.

Serve with Passion

COLOR CORPS ACTIVITIES

Be prepared to turn out for corporate communion masses, funerals, weddings, baptisms, and other events.

September 2, Thursday – Sir Knights serve as honor guard at 6 p.m. Mass of Celebration of 25th Anniversary of Msgr. John McCaffrey's Ordination. Arrive at St. Joseph Church in Bryan by 5:30 p.m. for instructions.

October 3, Sunday – Sir Knights serve as honor guard at 8:30 a.m. Corporate Communion Mass for Major Degree candidates at St. Joseph Church in Bryan. Arrive by 8:00 a.m. for instructions.

October 9, Saturday – Sir Knights serve as honor guard at 10 a.m. Fourth Degree Exemplification and 1 p.m. Corporate Communion Mass at St. Paul Chong Hassang Church in Harker Heights. Arrive by 9 a.m. for exemplification instructions and by 12:30 p.m. for corporate communion mass instructions. The social and banquet immediately follows the mass. [Refer to the next page for the day's agenda.]

October 12, Tuesday – Sir Knights raise the U.S.A. Flag on Columbus Day at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in honor of deceased Knights and our military personnel. Arrive by 8 a.m. in full regalia (or tux and social baldric).

November 7, Sunday – Sir Knights in full regalia (or tux and social baldric) participate in the Bryan Rotary Club Veteran's Day Parade in downtown Bryan. Arrive 2 p.m. for line-up at North Bryan and 20th Street. Parade begins 2:30 p.m. Families, including children, are invited to ride the trailer. [Parade chair Mike Southerland - mikesoutherland@verizon.net - appreciates our participation.]



MEETINGS & OTHER EVENTS

August 24, Tuesday – THANK YOU Sir Knights for attending the Assembly 1091 regular meeting. THANK YOU SKs Jesse Ostiguin and Lupe Ostiguin for preparing the BBQ chicken meal. Several food items were available courtesy of Council 11759 from the August 21 Sportsman's Banquet held at St. Joseph PAC.

September 6, Monday – Labor Day Holiday.

September 11, Saturday – 9-11 Anniversary. Fly The Flag Day. Remember Our Lost Brothers in New York and Washington, D.C. Pray for our military and local emergency responders.

September 19, Sunday – Council 1834 invites all SKs to the chicken BBQ fundraiser at the KofC Hall. Serving time is 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Meal ticket is \$8 and available from any council member and also at the event.

September 25, Saturday – Deadline for registration for October 9th Fourth Degree Exemplification at Harker Heights. Fees payable to Assembly 1091 include \$70 for candidate's exemplification and banquet ticket, \$35 for priest's exemplification and banquet ticket, \$22 for Sir Knight or guest's banquet ticket, and \$15 for ladies' function. [The brochure and registration form are on the next two pages. Print, complete, and mail the registration form with payment to Johnny Hoelscher.]

September 28, Tuesday – Assembly 1091 FAMILY SOCIAL prior to regular meeting at Council 1834 Hall. Social begins at 7 p.m. All Sir Knights are requested to bring their spouses and/or other friends. Knights with surnames A-M bring vegetable dish; surnames N-Z bring dessert. Assembly provides the main meat entree.

October 26, Tuesday – Assembly 1091 regular meeting at Council 1834 Hall. Social begins at 7 p.m. All Sir Knights are requested to attend. Bring another Sir Knight to the meeting.

INFORMATION FOR FALL EXEMPLIFICATION 2010

Friday, October 8, 2010

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM – Registration at Hawthorne Suites

Saturday, October 9, 2010

7:30 AM to 9:30 AM – Registration at St Paul Chong Hassang Church PAC

9:30 AM to 10:00 AM – Candidates assemble for instructions

8:30 AM – Ladies meet in lobby of Hawthorne Suites to travel to St. Paul Chong Hassang Church PAC for breakfast and program

10:00 AM – Exemplification starts

12:00 PM – New Sir Knights take class pictures

12:30 PM – Assemble for Mass at St. Paul Chong Hassang Church

1:00 PM – Mass

2:00 PM to 2:45 PM – Social at St. Paul Chong Hassang PAC

2:45 PM – Banquet to honor New Sir Knights

4 PM – Adjourn for safe trip home.

Hotel Information

Knights of Columbus block of rooms have been made at Hawthorne Suites and Days Inn. Both are located next to each other. Rate is \$70 for both properties. Rooms at both locations have microwave, refrigerator, iron, and coffee pot. Block closes September 24.

Hawthorne Suites: All rooms have a queen bed, full-size sofa sleeper, kitchenette, and desk area. Call 254-634-7795 for reservations.

Days Inn: All rooms have double full-size bed. Call 254-554-2727 for reservations.

Directions: On I-35, either from north or south to Belton, take US 190 west towards Killeen. Exit on Trimmer and make a U-turn under the overpass and go ¼ mile to both hotels next to the Golden Corral Restaurant.

St. Paul Chong Hassang Church

The Church is located at 1000 E. FM 2410 (corner of FM 2410 and Verna Lee), Harker Heights, TX 76548. From US 190W, exit on FM 2410 (Knights Way). Turn left on FM E. 2410 and go 1.5 miles, church is on the right. PAC is located on Stillhouse Lake Road, directly south of church.

Candidate Information

Exemplification Fee

Exemplification fee is \$70.00. The \$70.00 must be submitted with Form 4 Membership Form through your Assembly to the District Master. Assemblies sponsoring Priest(s) will submit Form 4 and a \$35.00 fee. Candidate "no show" without a five (5) day notice will be assessed \$30.00 from his exemplification fee. Priest(s) excluded.

District Master must receive Form 4s with checks payable to K of C District Master's Fund, by September 24, 2010 in order that candidate's name may be listed in the program. _

Candidate will receive a Fourth Degree Lapel Pin, U.S. Flag pin, Social Baldric, ID Badge, and certificate.

Requirements to Join 4th Degree:

Member of Knights of Columbus for a minimum of 6 months from receiving 1st degree, and a 3rd degree in good standing. Prior approval must be given by VSM for those with less than 6 months from first degree date. Contact Master for more information on waiver.

Official Dress For The Day

Black tuxedo, white flat collar shirt (pleated or plain front) **NO WING TIP COLLAR!**, black bow tie, black cummerbund, black plain toe shoes, and black socks. Priests and Transitional Deacons should wear Clerical attire. Members of the Armed Services on active duty may wear their dress uniforms. No one except Clergy and active duty personnel will be allowed to participate in the Exemplification in attire other than official dress.

Member Information

All Fourth Degree members are encouraged to attend mass and exemplification in full regalia.

Members without full regalia must wear official dress with Social Baldric.

Ladies Activity

Breakfast will be served at St. Paul Chong Hassang Church Hall located at the corner of FM 2410 and Verne Lee. An entertaining program will be

Banquet Tickets

Candidates are guests of the Master and will be given one Saturday night banquet ticket. Candidates and Sir Knights must purchase banquet tickets for their family members and guests through their assemblies. Tickets will be given out at the registration table.

Banquet Ticket\$ 22.00 each
Ladies Function \$ 15.00 each

Assemblies must order meal tickets by September 24, 2010.

Send order for Banquet Tickets through Comptroller to District Master with names of people attending and check payable to: District Master's Fund.

Mail to:
Joe Moreno
Master, Texas District VI, K of C
1416 East 29th Street

Exemplification Paperwork

Council Financial Secretary must check over and sign in Section 7 of Form 4s to verify that each candidate is a third degree member in good standing and to confirm the First Degree date and membership number. The Faithful Comptroller of each assembly must forward the approved Form 4s with proper signatures, information, and additional banquet tickets needed.

PAPERWORK AND CHECKS ARE DUE TO THE DISTRICT MASTER BY SEPTEMBER 24, 2010.

Tuxedo Acquisition

Candidates are discouraged from renting a tuxedo. Three rentals will pay for a tuxedo. You are encouraged to shop around for the best bargain. You should be able to acquire a tux, shirt, bow tie, cummerbund, studs, and cuff links for less than \$200.00.

Class Pictures

Class pictures will be taken immediately after the Exemplification. A photographer will be offering class picture and different settings for a nominal fee. If additional single or group pictures are desired, please make arrangements with the photographer after the exemplification or at the banquet.

FOURTH DEGREE- DISTRICT VI
OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PROVINCE

EXEMPLIFICATION BANQUET TICKET AND LADIES ACTIVITY INFORMATION
FOR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2010 (HARKER HEIGHTS)

INSTRUCTIONS:

Candidates: You are the guest of the Master and will receive one (1) complimentary banquet ticket for yourself. Spouse and or guest of the candidate will have to pay for extra ticket(s).

Sir Knights: Please complete this form and submit to your Assembly Comptroller. Please indicate number of banquet tickets needed. You will need to purchase tickets in advance.

Name _____ (Circle One) Candidate - Sir Knight
Please Print

Assembly Name and Number _____

Council Name and Number _____

Candidate Registration (includes one banquet ticket) \$ 70.00

Clergy Registration Fee (Deacons excluded)..... \$ 35.00

Banquet Tickets:

(A) Candidate: will attend _____ will not attend _____ 00.00

Candidate's Guest(s) _____ number @ \$ 22.00 = \$ _____

(B) SKs and their Guest(s) _____ number @ \$ 22.00 = \$ _____

Ladies Activity:

Number attending _____ @ \$ 15.00 = \$ _____

CANDIDATES & SKs MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ASSEMBLY FOR TOTAL \$ _____

COMPTROLLER: Please forward completed form(s) to District Master along with assembly check for total amount indicated above. Assembly check should be paid to the order of "KofC District Master's Fund." **Deadline is fourteen (14) days prior to exemplification.** Please honor this request so we will have an accurate count for the caterer.

Send paper work and assembly check to: **Joe Moreno, Master
Fourth Degree KofC
1416 East 29th Street
Bryan, Texas 77802**

EXEMPLIFICATIONS

Refer to the State, Diocese, District, and Assembly KofC Web sites for more information on scheduled degrees.

October 9, Saturday – District VI One-Day FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION at Harker Heights. Lodging available at Hawthorne and Days Inn motels. Registration from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at St. Paul Chong Hassang Church PAC. Exemplification at 10 a.m. followed by 1 p.m. Mass. Social at 2 p.m. followed by banquet. The day's event should be completed by 4 p.m. to allow everyone to return home much earlier than in past years. [Church and Parish Activity Center are located at 1000 E. FM 2410 (corner of FM 2410 and Verna Lee), Harker Heights, TX 76548.] Visit State Council Web site - <http://www.tkofc.org> - for information as it becomes available.

Plan to attend the following degree exemplifications and support our prospects who will become future Sir Knights.

September 15, Wednesday – FIRST DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION at St. Thomas Aquinas Church - Zurek Hall hosted and conducted by Council 3205. Candidates must arrive by 6:30 p.m. for paperwork followed by a brief orientation. Exemplification begins at 7:15 p.m. [On September 16 & 20, November 10, February 10, April 13, and May 26, the six First Degree Exemplifications resulted in 105 new Knights joining the order in District 117.]

October 3, Sunday – MAJOR DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION (2nd and 3rd Degrees) hosted by Council 11759 this year. Dress is full regalia for the 8:30 a.m. corporate communion mass at St. Joseph Church in Bryan. Candidates should be at the church by 8 a.m. The exemplification begins at 10:30 a.m. at Council 1834 Hall. SKs must not wear tux or regalia at the KofC hall. Stay tuned to State Council Web site - <http://www.tkofc.org> - for more information. [On September 20, 2009, forty-five Knights received their 2nd & 3rd Degrees in Bryan.]

COMMUNICATIONS

Supreme mailed a letterhead of thanks in August to FN Larry Finch and Assembly 1091 in appreciation for the monetary donation to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. More information on the Knights of Columbus contribution to the Basilica is at <http://www.kofc.org/un/eb/en/news/releases/detail/237035.html>.

WE PRAY FOR THESE AND OTHERS IN THE MILITARY

Sgt. Joseph Chance Bowman

Cpl. David Braden

S/Sgt. Tim Braden

PFC Ross Carrabba

2nd Lt. Joseph D'Agostino

A1C David Dominguez

A1C Clinton Doriocourt

Capt. Johnathan Esparza

Capt. Jennifer Esparza

Pvt. Justin A. Garner

SPC Jay Geronime

Sgt. Jeffrey Geronime

Seaman Justin Geronime

Sgt. Nchia Kedze Ghong

SP4 Mark A. Gorzycki

SPEC Justin Hubacek

HM E2 Kyra Jimenez

Col. Michael G. Kelley

SP4 Rusty Wayne Lanicek

Cpl. Brian M. Lindsay

M/Sgt Brian Locke

Sgt. Juan Antonio Lopez

Col. Mark C. Losack

MGY/SGT Stephen Losack

PFC Ricardo A. Luna

SSgt Timothy Luza, Jr.

† Capt. Sean E. Lyerly †

CS3 Morgan McConal

M/Sgt. Doug McMillan

LCpl. Gabriel Marteil

1st Lt. Misty Munoz

E5 Michael Neveu

Major Michael E. Ogden

Sgt. Christopher Orta

CS2 Mandi Belcik Parks

WO1 Jeffrey Pivonka

PFC Ariel Quinones

Sgt. Michael Ramirez

LCpl. Patrick R. Reade

LCpl. James Robinson

Sgt. Adrian Rodriguez

Sgt. Joel Rodriguez

PFC Marcus Ruiz

Sgt. Michael Ruiz

SPC Jay Saculla

PFC Daniel Stadler

Cpl. Daniel W. Schwartz

LCpl. Douglas W. Schwartz

SrAm Laramie Sowder

2nd Lt. Sean Taylor

Major Ryan Ussery

PFC Aaron Waller

Sgt. Matt White

Sgt. Rick Lee Wolff

1st Lt. Forrest Womack

M/Sgt. Sherrie Yeates

S/Sgt. Michael Zeig

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

Assembly 1091 and Assembly 2041 request support of the Grand Knights in District 117 in promoting the Patriotic Degree: Council 1834 GK Clarence Lambrecht, Council 3205 GK Ron Gay, Council 10555 GK Don Barnett, Council 10624 GK Dustin Janak, and Council 11759 GK Chris Nugent.

As of September 1, 2010, Assembly 1091's membership is 99. Eleven Sir Knights have Honorary Life status. Sixty (60) Sir Knights have paid their dues for the 2010 calendar year.

The fraternal year's quota for Assembly 1091 is 9 new members (10% of paid membership). [Seven SKs were added to our assembly during the 4th Degree Exemplification in Georgetown on March 20, 2010.]

HAVE YOU INVITED A THIRD DEGREE KNIGHT TO BE A SIR KNIGHT ?

AWARDS PROGRAM



"To Be A Patriot" (single best activity) and "Civic Award" (four varied programs) applications are due annually on June 30 to the District Master. Assembly 1091 has received the "Civic Award" and the "Our Lady of Guadalupe Provincial Award of Excellence" over the past few years. [Please note that an "outstanding and community-wide activity" must be completed to be considered for the "To Be A Patriot" award.]

ASSEMBLY 1091 OFFICERS

Faithful Navigator Larry Finch

Faithful Friar Msgr. John McCaffrey

Faithful Scribe Steve "Mike" Swetish

Faithful Comptroller Johnny Hoelscher

Inner Sentinel Steve Rathbone

Faithful Captain Mike Orozco

Outer Sentinel Wes Thompson

Faithful Admiral Louis De La Cruz, Jr.

1-yr Trustee Val Lopez

Faithful Purser Larry Ermis

2-yr Trustee Charlie Ballew

Faithful Pilot John McGuill

3-yr Trustee Roel Villarreal

CONTACTS FOR FOURTH DEGREE INFORMATION

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Assembly 1091 Faithful Navigator
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SK Johnny Hoelscher
Assembly 1091 Comptroller
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SK Joe Moreno, Jr.
District VI Master & Assembly 1091 PFN
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FIELD AGENT NEWS

The Right Insurance for a Rocky Economy

Standard & Poor's says buying a Whole Life Policy is a Great Way to Get Your Financial House in Order!

This is the headline of an article in BusinessWeek and is exactly what we here in the Knights of Columbus have been informing our clients all along. It's funny to those of us in the industry who know this product...Whole Life Insurance is a Great Product to own in any economy...see these financial gurus if you will waver from one side of the investment world to the other depending upon what is hot and what is not. What sells and what doesn't!

Last month we chose to write our article on the performance of the Knights of Columbus Whole Life Product. It is truly amazing to those in and outside the industry to see what the Knights have been and are currently doing for their policyholders. If you remember (we're all getting older so let us refresh your and our mind) over the past 30 years the internal rate of return of a Knights of Columbus Whole Life Policy has been 8.20%! This is during a time when the markets have soared and the markets have soured, during a time when interest rates skyrocketed and interest rates plummeted.

This product which many financial pundits such as Suze Orman, Dave Ramsey & other financial talk show hosts say are bad investments somehow, someway plug along doing what they do best...bringing more value to the policyholders each and every day. These self-made millionaires do a great job of helping people get out of debt & selling their stories and books, but, quite frankly they are way off base when it comes to Whole Life Insurance. I know of no other product that can do what Whole Life insurance, specifically KofC Whole Life Insurance does for you.

Whole Life Insurance is one of the Greatest Financial Products ever created as it provides a guaranteed tax free death benefit along with a guaranteed tax-deferred cash value that can be accessed tax-free & penalty free at any age for any reason. What other product allows you to grow your money tax-deferred, yet also allows you to withdraw money at any age without incurring any income taxes or penalties. The Roth IRA is the closest thing to a whole life policy. The difference is with a whole life policy there is an income tax free death benefit in addition to the cash value in case the Good Lord has other plans for you before you reach your retirement years.

If you currently own a KofC Whole Life Policy then you are somewhat aware of the significant value it brings and should look at reviewing & increasing your policy. If you're not a KofC Whole Life Insurance Policyholder, then you should find out more about what you're missing out on. These awesome products are available exclusively to KofC Members, their spouse & dependent children/grandchildren. Take the time to stop by our Office or contact us so you can find out for yourself the value a KofC Whole Life Insurance Policy will bring to you and your family. We, your local Field Agents Doug & Jody Supak, can be reached at 130 S. College St. in La Grange, at (979) 968-5332 or at supakins@cmaaccess.com

PROMOTING THE FOURTH DEGREE

Through their leadership and dedication, Fourth Degree Knights have earned their place as the most visible arm of the Order. Having a close relationship with a Fourth Degree assembly will benefit your council and its members. Not only are Fourth Degree members less likely to lapse or go inactive, but they also know the importance of active members and what they mean to projects, events, volunteering, and so on. To bridge any gaps that may exist between your council and assembly, agreeing on a Fourth Degree representative or liaison is a good idea. This way, the council will have a go-to person who can represent the assembly and take any questions or concerns that may arise when organizing, scheduling, or meeting. Along with the Fourth Degree representative serving the council, it is good to periodically, if not regularly, invite the faithful navigator to report on assembly activity at council meetings and to recruit members for the Fourth Degree.

To qualify for the Fourth Degree a member must be 18 years of age or older, a citizen of the country in which he resides, be a member of the Order for at least 12 months, and a member in good standing with his council. Ideally, every Third Degree Knight should become a Fourth Degree Knight to make the Order's presence in the community more visible and to assist councils in recruitment efforts.

SERVING THOSE WHO SERVED

Our military personnel voluntarily act as protectors of our nations, standing on the front lines while keeping us safe behind them. The Knights of Columbus acknowledges this unselfish act of patriotism by promoting the "Serving Those Who Served" program. Members of the Order should honor and assist these men and women. To honor military personnel for their services, assemblies and councils can give their time volunteering at veterans' hospitals, clinics, and health care facilities. This is a great way to show veterans that their efforts and sacrifices are not forgotten. Councils can also send greeting or birthday cards to hospitalized veterans and military personnel stationed away from home. Let the veterans and current members of the military know that the Knights of Columbus appreciates their service and sacrifice. Take time to honor or assist them in a way that is worthy of their military service.

The Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service, VAVS, is the vehicle that assemblies use in the "Serving Those Who Served" program. Through this service, the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Veteran's Hospital volunteers are organized by having one of their members become a certified representative at the hospital. Our certified members attend hospital meetings and organize efforts for K of C volunteers. The Knights of Columbus currently has a VAVS Committee at almost every VA medical center and clinic in the United States. These committees consist of at least one certified representative and up to three deputy representatives from the Knights of Columbus. In the United States, the VA hospitals, clinics and facilities need all types of volunteer services — from program planning to visiting veterans. For more information on this outstanding program, please contact your Fourth Degree district master or locate the closest VA Medical center.

Assemblies and councils can also honor military personnel and veterans throughout the year by presenting them with Patriotic Service Award certificates. These certificates are available from the Supreme Council Supply Department. Also available is the Armed Forces Certificate that can be presented to members of the military as an expression of gratitude for service to the defense of "mankind's basic rights to a life of freedom and dignity."

HISTORY OF BISHOP N. A. GALLAGHER ASSEMBLY

In the early years of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus of the State of Texas, the state was divided into the Southern district and the Northern district. Five Sir Knights were assigned to the Southern district with headquarters in Houston. They were Father J. B. Gleissner, Frank Zubic Sr., Raymond Valouch, Gus Schultz, and H. B. McDowell. In 1936, Joe Havel, Frank Havel, Frank Schultz, Jerome Zubik, Sam Restivo, and Father Tim Valenta joined the Fourth Degree in Houston. This provided enough membership to institute an Assembly in Bryan. On June 8, 1940, the charter was drawn up with the Houston Assembly officers doing the honors. Bishop N. A. Gallagher was chosen for the Assembly name because Bishop Gallagher was the Bishop of Galveston who ordained Father Gleissner as a priest. Father Gleissner became the first Friar, and Louis Bolmanski became the first Faithful Navigator. As membership grew, the state was divided into districts in accordance with the Diocese boundaries. Assembly 1091, being in the Austin Diocese, became part of District VI. Three local Sir Knights were privileged to serve as Masters in the Austin Diocese. They include Jerome "Jack" Zubik, Colonel Walter Parsons, Frank Scanlin, and Joe Moreno, Jr.

FOURTH DEGREE ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

The Fourth Degree is the highest degree of the order. Members of the degree are addressed as "Sir Knight." The primary purpose of the Fourth Degree is to foster the spirit of patriotism and to encourage active Catholic citizenship. Fewer than 20% of Knights join the 4th Degree, which is an optional degree. A Knight must be active in his council for one year before he can join a Fourth Degree Assembly (the time requirement may be reduced to six months under special circumstances).



Assemblies (such as our Assembly 1091) are distinct from councils and are led by a separate set of elected officers. The Supreme Board of Directors appoints a Supreme Master (currently Joseph P. Schultz), and twenty Vice-Supreme Masters to govern the Fourth Degree. Each Vice-Supreme Master (our VSM is Paul Weigl, Jr. of Oklahoma) oversees a Province (our province is Our Lady of Guadalupe) which is then broken up into Districts (our assembly is in District 6). The Supreme Master appoints District Masters to supervise several assemblies (our District Master is Joe Moreno, Jr., and his assistant is District Marshal Frank Lara).

Each assembly is led by a Navigator (our Navigator is Larry Finch). Other elected assembly officers include the Captain, Admiral, Pilot, Scribe, Purser, Comptroller, Sentinels, and Trustees (refer to previous listing of Assembly 1091 officers). A Friar and Color Corps Commander are appointed by the Navigator. Assembly officers are properly addressed by using the title "Faithful" (for example, Faithful Navigator). Assemblies are numbered in the order in which they chartered into the Order and are named by the local membership (as discussed elsewhere in this newsletter, our Assembly 1091 is named after Bishop N. A. Gallagher).

Rank	Color
Vice-Supreme Master	Blue Cape and Blue Chapeau
District Master	Gold Cape and Gold Chapeau
District Marshal	Green Cape and Green Chapeau
Faithful Navigator	White Cape and White Chapeau
Assembly Commander	Purple Cape and Purple Chapeau
Color Corps Members	Red Cape and White Chapeau

Only Fourth Degree Knights may optionally purchase the full regalia and join the Assembly's Color Corps. The Color Corps is the most "visible arm" of the Knights as they are often seen during masses, at parades, and other local events wearing their colorful regalia. Official dress for the Color Corps is black tuxedo, service baldric, white gloves, cape, and naval chapeau. White tuxedos may also be used on certain occasions, especially at the Supreme and State levels. Baldrics are worn from the right shoulder to left hip and are color specific by nation. In the United States, baldrics are red, white, and blue. A service baldric includes a holster for a sword and is worn over the coat while a social baldric is worn under the coat. The colors of the cape and chapeau denote the office that the Sir Knight holds in the Fourth Degree. Faithful Navigators and Past Faithful Navigators carry white-handled silver swords. Masters and Vice-Supreme Masters, including Former Masters and Former Vice-Supreme Masters, are recognized by gold swords.

The need for a patriotic degree was first considered in 1886; a special plea was made at the National Meeting in 1899. The first 4th Degree exemplification was in 1900 with 1,100 Knights participating at the Lenox Lyceum in New York. Today, the order has more than 2,500 Assemblies. [Source: <http://www.answers.com/topic/knights-of-columbus>.]



Sir Knights wanting to place additional Knights of Columbus information in this newsletter should contact the Assembly 1091 Newsletter Editor - SK Larry Ermis, 979-778-6771, aggie68@suddenlink.net.