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New District Marshall Appointed

After two and one-half years as South Dakota's District Marshall, John Schreurs has decided to resign. John recently was elected to the Grand Knight position in the SF Marquette Council. He was also reappointed to another term as East River Membership Chairman. These other positions demand a lot of John's time, so he decided that something had to go. John has promised to help with the transition to the new District Marshall. Thanks John, for all your help in the past, and I know you will continue to work behind the scenes to keep the fourth degree vibrant in South Dakota.

Our newly appointed District Marshall is Don Neumayr. Don and his wife Carmen live in Beresford, and they have three grown children. Don has been a fourth degree member since 1990 when he joined the Marty Assembly in Yankton. He currently is a member of the newly-formed Holy Rosary Assembly in southeast South Dakota.

Don has held just about every officer chair possible in the Beresford Council. He is the only Beresford knight who has served two non-consecutive two-year terms as Grand Knight. Don will make a great addition to our District's fourth degree leadership team. Welcome aboard, Don.

Exemplifications Need To Be Booked Soon

The following locations have been confirmed for spring 2009 exemplifications:

- Feb. 15 Sioux Falls, 3:00pm
- Feb. 22, Watertown, 3:00 pm
- Mar. 29, Brookings, 3:00 pm
- Apr. 24, Sioux Falls, 9:30 am

There is also an approximate date of early May at the Yankton Assembly.

Your assembly can still request a date in your area, and we will try to accommodate you. Just give District Master Leo Keiser a call at 605-957-5766.

New Exemplification Script Coming Soon

The Supreme Council Fourth Degree has spent the past two years working at revising the script of the fourth degree exemplification to try and align it more with the 21st century technology. Small changes have been made to narrated parts and smoother transitions from one segment to the next are now done through the use of more powerpoint technology. One of the advantages of using more powerpoint is that more pictures will be used and less physical props. This should reduce the amount of props being transported from one degree to the next. This makeover will be unveiled soon after the first of the year, and all Districts are asked to start using the new scripts immediately. Vice Supreme Master Paul Lambert will be in charge of certifying our fourth degree team once all parts are memorized and performed to his satisfaction. We in South Dakota plan on using this new form at our first exemplification of 2009 which is scheduled for Sioux Falls on February 15.