

January 20 2017



Worthy Grand Knights/Brothers,

RE: Notice of Major Degree Exemplifications

On behalf of District #15, I am pleased to extend this invitation to participate and to provide you with the details of the Major Degree Exemplification to be held in Battleford on Sunday, February 26 2017.

All activities for this important day, including registration, ceremonies and the banquet will be held at St. Vitals Parish 11-18th st. e Battleford, Saskatchewan. The Major Degree ceremonies will be held in the Childrens Liturgy Room of the Church. With the new shortened format for the ceremonials, there will not be a structured ladies' program per se, but there is plenty of assistance available in case any guest needs advice on where to enjoy The Battlefords sites for a couple of hours that afternoon.

Our Worthy State Deputy, Brian Schatz, will be the guest speaker at the banquet. Other members of the State Board are expected to attend, as well as many other special guests.

We welcome your current First Degree members to take this opportunity to attain the higher degrees of the Order. (Note that there is not a First Degree Ceremony on this date.) We also hope to see a large number of your Third Degree members take an active role in the Exemplification and attend the banquet. A large attendance of members shows support for your candidates and adds to the significance of the occasion. Please make a special effort to invite Past State Deputies, Past Grand Knights, and State Board members in your Council to attend. *We look forward to you bringing your candidates, members and ladies to help make this Major Degree a great success!*

A Registration Form and an Agenda are enclosed. Please complete and return your payment and registration form, no later than February 10 2017:

Knights of Columbus District 15
C/O Box 414
North Battleford, Saskatchewan
S9A 2Y4

We would appreciate that tickets be purchased through your Council and that each Council then issue a single cheque, payable to the "K of C District 15" for the candidates fees and banquet tickets. Please call anytime if you need tickets or have any other concerns or questions.

Fraternally,

Thomas Schwab
District Deputy #15

Phone: (306) 937-3794
Email : t1schwab@sasktel.net

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Major Degree Exemplification
St. Vital Parish
11-18th St E
Battleford , SK
February 26 , 2017

AGENDA

- 9:30-10:30** **Candidate Registration** (Chruch Entrance)
10:30- 11:30 **Mass**
11:30-12:30**Breakfast** (**Parish Hall**)
1:00pm – 3:45 pm **Degree Ceremonies** (Parish Hall)

4:00pm – 4:30pm **Knighting Ceremony** (Church)

4:45pm – 5:30pm **Cocktails & Social** (Parish Hall)

5:30pm – 6:30pm **Banquet** (Parish Hall)

6:30pm – 8:00pm **Program** (Parish Hall)



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Council Number: _____

Grand Knight: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Registration Form

[Please return by Friday, February 10, 2017]

(Please **PRINT** clearly for certificate use)

No.	Candidate Last Name	Candidate First Name
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Any questions or concerns?

Contact:

Thomas Schwab
District Deputy #15
Phone: (306) 937-3794
Email: t1schwab@sasktel.net

NOTE: The Candidate fee includes a Banquet ticket.

Number of Additional Banquet Guests? = _____ (for Brother Knights, spouses, etc.)

Total Cost:

____ Candidates x \$45.00 = _____
 ____ Banquet Tickets x \$15.00 = _____
 ____ Breakfast Tickets x 7.00 = _____
 TOTAL = _____

Please write a single cheque for the total amount payable to "**K of C District 15**" and send with Registration Form, by February 10th, 2017 to
 K of C District 15
 C/O Box 414 North Battleford, Saskatchewan
S9A 2Y4



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MEMO

FROM: District Deputy Thomas Schwab

TO: Candidates: Knights of Columbus Major Degree
_____, Saskatchewan
(February 26 2017)

RE: Information about the Major Degree

Congratulations and thank you for having taken the decision to join the Knights of Columbus. It is indeed an experience of a lifetime. On Sunday, February 26 2017, you will be taking a very important step on your journey to Knighthood. We want you to have an enjoyable and memorable day. To this end, here are some things that you need to know:

1. If you have not yet received your First Degree, there is one scheduled for: (TBA).
2. Dress code for the day is: Dress shirt and pants. **Please, no jeans.**
3. The schedule for the day is: All will Be at St. Vitals Battleford. 11-18th St E
 - a. Registration – (9:30-10:30)
 - b. First Degree – (TBA)
 - c. Mass – (10:30-11:30)
 - d. Breakfast – (11:30-12:15)
 - e. Major Degree ceremonials (1:00-3:45)
 - f. Stroke of Knighthood (4:00 at the conclusion of the major degree)
 - g. Social hour– (4:45-5:30)
 - h. Banquet (5:30)
4. You are encouraged to invite your spouse/partner for the social hour and banquet.
5. Pick up your meal tickets and candidate's ribbon at the registration table.
6. You will need to pay your membership fee if you have not already done so.
7. You will be assessed a fee of 22.00 for your meals. (The council may have picked up this expense as it's included in the candidate's fee)
8. You will need to purchase a banquet ticket for your spouse/partner.
 - a. Ladies program - A breakfast will be served for the candidates, wife or partner
 - b. Stroke of Knighthood: bring a camera
 - c. Mass: Arrive at church 15 minutes early for ribbon & entrance procession. There will be reserved seating for the candidates at the church.

MEMO

TO: Grand Knight _____ Council # _____

FROM: District Deputy Thomas Schwab

RE: Major Degree - Information

Enclosed are the following:

1. Breakfast Tickets: # _____ to # _____ ()
2. Banquet Tickets: # _____ to # _____ ()
3. An information letter to the candidates
4. A tally sheet for recording tickets sold and money collected
5. A candidates' "pre-registration" sheet

The councils are responsible for the following:

- The candidates' registration fee (\$45.00)
 - To communicate the information about the Major Degree to the candidates. (See Candidate Information letter.)
 - Making sure that the candidates are assembled at St. Vials Parish by **9:30 am** so that they can all go to the church together.
 - Selling breakfast & banquet tickets to members & their spouses and collecting the money for those tickets.
 - Returning money and all unsold tickets to Thomas Schwab or Registration Table after the deadline for ticket sales. (See Ticket Tally Sheet)
 - Encourage members to attend the Major Degree - breakfast, ceremonials & banquet.
 - Invite clergy, priests and or religious, as well as widows of deceased knights to the banquet. As a rule, the councils pick up the cost for these tickets.
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1. Please try to sell as many advance tickets as possible. The cost for banquet tickets is \$15.00. The deadline for purchasing advance tickets is Feb 10 2017 After that date, please return all the unsold tickets and the money for the other tickets to Thomas Schwab or . A limit of 100 tickets will be sold. Encourage members to purchase their tickets early. Record the ticket #'s that you sell on the Ticket Tally Sheet.
 2. The Candidates' Certificates and folders have been ordered for all the candidates. We will get someone to fill in the names in calligraphy.

If you have any questions, please contact Thomas Schwab at 937-3794. Thank you very much for your assistance and cooperation