

Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree – Fr. MacMillan Assembly #1828 Meeting Minutes – Sunday, September 22, 2024

IHM St. Edwards Hall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Faithful Navigator Mark Nienhuis.

Pilot's Report

Substitute Faithful Pilot Henry Alfeldt vouched that all present are in possession of the current membership card.

Roll Call of Faithful Officers

Faithful Scribe Rick Boedicker called the roll of officers (X indicates present).

x Faithful Admiral – Mark Nienhuis	🗆 1 Yr. Trustee – Frank Skinner
Faithful Captain – Joe Dougherty	x 2 Yr. Trustee – Joe Monahan
Faithful Pilot – Matt Hinshaw	x 3 Yr. Trustee – Mark Nienhuis
x Inner Sentinel – R.V. Wakefield	
x Outer Sentinel – William Tagliaferr	i
	 Faithful Captain – Joe Dougherty Faithful Pilot – Matt Hinshaw x Inner Sentinel – R.V. Wakefield

Opening Ceremony

The principle of our order was announced by the Substitute Faithful Pilot Henry Alfeldt: "Patriotism"

The duty to our country was announced by the Substitute Faithful Captain R. V. Wakefield:

"To respect and obey all lawful authority; to uphold and maintain those whose duty it is to administer the law; to defend, and preserve unspotted and unstained, the flag of our Country, and the principles for which it stands." Other duties of our honored order were announced by the Faithful Admiral Mark Nienhuis.

"To maintain unity; to practice the virtues of charity and brotherly love; to exemplify, in all our relations with our fellow man, the sublime teachings of Holy Mother Church".

Faithful Navigator Alex Papp led us in The Lord's Prayer.

Substitute Faithful Pilot Henry Alfeldt led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Assembly sang the Opening Ode.

Report of the Faithful Friar

No Report

Reading of the Minutes

Faithful Scribe Rick Boedicker reported that the minutes from the August 25, 2024, meeting were e-mailed to Assembly members and corrections and/or additions requested. If you did not receive the e-mailed minutes, please provide Rick an updated e-mail address.

X None were received \Box Corrections.

A motion was made by R. V. Wakefield and seconded by Mark Nienhuis to accept minutes as X submitted , amended, second, and approved.

Motion was approved.

Report of the Faithful Navigator

No report

Report of the Faithful Comptroller, Bills, & Communications

The number of members present at the meeting was 14, 10 from Council 4507 and 3 from Council 9249 and 1 from Council 10891.

Faithful Admiral Mark Nienhuis presented a letter from the United States Catholic Bishops regarding Civic responsibility in voting. A copy of the letter is attached to these minutes for reading and consideration.

Faithful Comptroller Joe Hughes submitted the Cash Report. In summary for the period August 25, 2024, to September 22, 2024, receipts and disbursements resulted in a slim surplus. Details are available upon request.

Report of the Faithful Purser

Faithful Purser Joe DiPaola confirmed current balances.

Report of Committees

Membership

Joe Hughes reported that a Joe Carter is now recognized as an Honorary member and the 2 former members have died. Currently, we have 3 candidates for the October 12th exemplification . The 3 candidates are Paul Zito, Doc Gies,(both from #4507) and Dan Higgins (from Asheboro #10891). Our current membership is 116.

Color Corp.

Color Corp Commander R. V. Wakefield reported no events scheduled currently. R V requested that future events be requested by the appropriate Grand Knight at least 3 months in advance, that they promote membership in the Honor Guards within their Assemblies and Councils. R V will request that our District Deputy obtain a waiver to allow Color Guard members to remove their coats during events in facilities with inadequate air conditioning. A discussion ensued regarding minor variations to the Regalia which in cases have been recognized as approved.

Report of Trustees

No Report

Unfinished Business

No further information available at this time regarding tree removal project.

New Business

No new business

Report of the Third Degree

Bishop Hafey Council 4507 – High Point NC

Grand Knight Mark Nienhuis reported that the Council was well represented at the parish picnic held on September 21 and several men expressed interest in doing the Council.

Rick reported that we had a successful golf tournament on Sept 13 with 120 players and approximately \$10000 raised for the Oblates Retirement Fund.

Rick read a thank you note from Judy Lodding expressing her appreciation for recognizing Bob as the tournament honoree and for all who played in his honor.

Our Lady of the Highway Council 9249 – Thomasville, NC.

Grand Knight John Dillon thanked the Honor Guard for participating in Our Lady of Highways' 70th Anniversary Celebration. They had their monthly collection of food which yielded 280 lbs and \$433 collected and donated to Cooperative Communities Ministries. They will be having a Yard Sale on September 28.

St. Joseph's of Asheboro Council 10891 – Asheboro, NC.

Faithful Purser Joe DiPaola reported that their Dan Higgins will make his 4th degree on October 12, they are having a membership drive with 84 current members, they had a food drive and qualified for a \$500 rebate from the State and are the largest contributor to the local food bank. They have a Yard Sale scheduled for October 19.

St. Francis De Sales Council 12481 - Lexington, NC

No report.

Christ The King Council 14767 - High Point, NC

Mark Nienhuis reported that there may be conversations regarding a potential merge of 14767 with High Point 4507.

Good of the Order

John Dillon requested prayers for Ted Rampp who will be 89 years old and still living at home.

The Assembly viewed the Knights of Columbus series Into The Breach #2 "Marriage-The Foundation of the Family ". This and all other episode can be viewed at KofC.org.

Closing Ceremony

Substitute Faithful Pilot Henry Alfeldt announced the emblems of this degree:

"The flag, the sword, and the cross".

Substitute Faithful Pilot Henry Alfeldt said for the flag:

"We love it and shall ever defend it".

Faithful Admiral Mark Nienhuis said of the sword:

"Let us keep it bright for Liberty's sake".

Substitute Faithful Captain R. V. Wakefield said of the cross:

"This is the Cross of Christ, the exponent of Christian ideals, the conqueror of death, the giver of life. Supreme reverence for this sacred symbol will crown our Country queen in the sisterhood of nations. It is the bulwark of national honor, the inspiration of patriotism, the guardian of personal worth; for it was crimsoned with the blood of self-sacrifice".

Faithful Admiral Mark Nienhuis led us in the closing prayers:

The Lord's Prayer, Hail Mary, Glory Be, and Mary Queen of the Knights.

The Assembly sang the Closing Ode, our National Anthem.

Faithful Navigator Alex Papp duly closed the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Next Meeting

Sunday, October 27, 2024, at 7:00PM in IHM St. Edwards Hall