

# **W. Robert Bachelder Assembly #357 Meeting Minutes**

October 8, 2019

## **Meeting Called to Order**

The regular W. Robert Bachelder Assembly #357 meeting was brought to order by Faithful Navigator Dennis Guay at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 8, 2019. There were 17 Sir Knights present.

## **Decade of Rosary**

Faithful Scribe John Chandonnet led the assembly in a decade of the rosary for Pro Life.

## **Faithful Pilot**

Faithful Pilot Gerry Newport attested all in attendance were in possession of a current membership card and rosary.

## **The Lord's Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance**

Faithful Navigator Dennis Guay led the assembly in reciting the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Recognition of Distinguished Members and Guests**

Faithful Navigator Dennis Guay Recognized Don Leeman, Maine State Council Ceremonials Director.

## **Roll Call of Officers**

The Officer Roll Call was taken by Faithful Scribe John Chandonnet. Attendance was as follows:

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| Faithful Navigator   | Dennis Guay     | Present |
| Faithful Captain     | Don Leeman      | Present |
| Faithful Friar       | Fr. Bill Labbe  | Excused |
| Faithful Comptroller | John Greenlee   | Present |
| Faithful Scribe      | John Chandonnet | Present |
| Faithful Pilot       | Gerry Newport   | Present |
| Faithful Purser      | Dennis Breton   | Present |
| Faithful Admiral     | Peter Godin     | Present |
| Outer Sentinel       | Jim Delamarter  | Absent  |
| Inner Sentinel       | Rene Robichaud  | Present |
| 1st Year Trustee     | Wilfred Doiron  | Absent  |
| 2nd Year Trustee     | Ray Sargent     | Present |
| 3rd Year Trustee     | Frank Pease     | Absent  |

### **Report of Faithful Friar**

None given.

### **Reading of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the September 9, 2019 Assembly meeting were read by Faithful Scribe John Chandonnet. Faithful pilot Gerry Newport motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Faithful Captain Don Leeman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The September minutes were accepted as presented.

### **Report of Faithful Comptroller**

Faithful Comptroller John Greenlee reported the following:

- Beginning member count of 123, plus 1 new member for a net member count of 124.
- \$15 in dues were collected.
- \$525 was received from the St. Thomas Council.

Faithful Captain Don Leeman made a motion to accept the report as presented. Faithful Admiral Peter Godin seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The report was accepted.

### **Report of Faithful Purser**

Faithful Purser Dennis Breton reported the following:

- The current checking account balance is \$439.75
- The current savings account balance is \$3,009.43

Faithful Captain Don Leeman made a motion to accept the report as presented. Faithful Admiral Peter Godin seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The report was accepted.

### **Report of the Committees**

None given.

### **Unfinished Business**

None.

### **Report of the Trustees**

None given.

### **Faithful Navigator Report**

Faithful Navigator Dennis Guay reported the following:

- Hats off to Dan Rooney for the delicious Beef Stroganoff he prepared for the pre-meeting dinner.
- \$2,755 was raised at the September Tootsie Roll drive.
- There will be a Mens' Conference at St. Maximilian Kobe in Scarborough, Maine on October 19, 2019.
- The Parish Harvest Fair will take place during the weekend of October 25 thru October 27, 2019. Volunteers will be needed for the Turkey Supper on Friday, October 25th. Volunteers are also needed to serve lunch on Saturday, October 26th and for breakfast on Sunday, October 27th.
- This Man is You program started. Meet downstairs at St. Thomas School every Saturday from 6:30 to 8:00 am.

### **Faithful Admiral Report**

None given.

### **New Business**

- Ray Sargent made a motion that the Assembly donate \$200 to the 4th Degree State Master's fund. Manny DeAmaral seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion passed.
- A new apron will be given to Sandra Jalbert for all the volunteer work she has done for the Knights of Columbus. The title: "Honorary Knight" will be on the apron.

### **Ray Sargent Report**

Ray Sargent reported the following:

- Two bricks will be purchased - one for each of the two brother knights that had recently passed away.
- There are now 30 mew Sit Knights as a result of the recent 4th Degree Exemplification in Greenville, Maine.
- The next 4th Degree Exemplification will take place in Presque Isle, Maine in May 2020.
- A proposed donation for the church bells will be referred to the trustees.

- There has been two break ins at the Parish hall. Please make sure all the windows are locked before leaving the hall.

### **Don Leeman Report**

Faithful Captain Don Leeman reported the following:

- Knights of Columbus uniform has dropped in price frfom \$511 to \$449.

### **Gerry Newport Report**

Faithful Pilot Gerry Newport reported the following:

- The VFW will meet at the Sanford Memorial Gym on November 11th at 11:00 am to present a special award to Owen Martin who has done so much for the organization. All are invited.

### **Report of the Third Degree**

St. Thomas Council Grand Knight Terry Sylvanus reported the following:

- \$3,800 has been raised so far to go toward the purchase of new bells for Holy Family Church. \$10,500 is the fund raising goal.
- There will be a bean supper on Saturday, November 9, 2019 from 5 to 6:30 pm. Proceeds will go toward the Church Bell fund.
- The Knights of Columbus Church Recruiting Drive will take place on the weekend of October 19 and 20, 2019. Will need four to five knights per mass to hand out Father McGiveny cards and to talk to prospective knights.
- St. Thomas Council knights will do a head count at each of the weekend masses, as mandated by the Portland Diocese.

### **Good of the Order**

Terry Sylvanus won the 50/50 drawing. The amount was \$17. Terry Sylvanus donated his winnings to the Assembly.

Prayer Petitions were as follows:

Jean Stephenson  
John Jalbert  
Bob Tyler  
Doris Watson  
Maurice Payeur

Joe Garand  
Rene Guillemette  
Viola LaMontagne

### **Closing Ceremonies**

The closing ceremonies were conducted per 4th Degree meeting guidelines:

Faithful Navigator: *Sir Knights, is there any further business to come before this assembly? If here be none, we shall proceed to close the meeting.*  
(Two raps)

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful pilot, what are the emblems of this degree?*

Faithful Pilot: *The flag, the sword and the cross.*

Faithful Navigator: *Yes, Sir Knights, these glorious symbols typify patriotism, liberty and faith; the heaven-sent attributes of our Christian citizenship.*

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful pilot, what say you for the flag?*

Faithful Pilot: *The flag of OUR Country. We love it and shall ever defend it.*

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful admiral, what say you for the sword?*

Faithful Admiral: *Let us keep it bright for Liberty's sake.*

Faithful Navigator: *Faithful captain, what say you for the Cross?*

Faithful Capitan: (Holding Cross aloft.) *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 Navigator: *Sir Knights, undying allegiance to the Cross of Christ and to Christ's Vicar upon earth. (Four raps.)*

The faithful friar, or in his absence, the faithful navigator repeats the "Our Father, "Hail Mary," and "Glory Be" with the assembly responding.

Faithful Navigator: *I now declare this assembly duly closed until our next appointed meeting. (One rap.)*

**Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.**

### **Next Council Meeting**

The next Assembly meeting will be held on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 6:30 pm.  
Dick Payeur will prepare Chili for dinner prior to the meeting at 6:00 pm.