



To: District Masters, Faithful Navigators, Faithful Comptrollers

From: Dennis Stoddard, Supreme Master

Subject: Affiliate Members who are Fourth Degree

Worthy Vice Supreme Masters, District Masters, Faithful Navigators, and Faithful Comptrollers,

As the Affiliate Member Initiative is launched, you will see that Fourth Degree members are removed from their assembly rosters when their councils process them as Affiliate members.

Pursuant to Article IX Section 25 of the *Laws and Rules Governing the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus*: Eligibility for membership in an Assembly of the Fourth Degree requires that the applicant be “a Third-Degree member in good standing in his council” Since Fourth Degree Affiliate members are not members of local councils, they are not eligible to remain in assemblies. They are automatically removed from assembly rosters. No action is required from the Faithful Navigator or Faithful Comptroller.

Fourth Degree Affiliate members retain their Fourth Degree status. However, they must transfer back to a local council and become members in good standing before they can participate in any Fourth Degree activity or return to an assembly.

Affiliate members who are not already Fourth Degree Knights may not participate in a Fourth Degree exemplification until they rejoin a council and become members in good standing.

Fraternally,

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