

**MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST  
R. NELSON BIGGS**

## THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF DELAWARE

The One Hundred Thirty - Fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Delaware was held in the Masonic Temple, 818 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, on Saturday, March 9, A.D. 2002, A.I. 2532. The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 1:00 P.M. by the Right Excellent Grand King, Archie W. Bethard, III, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, R. Nelson Biggs, was then received into the Grand Convocation and afforded Grand Honors. M.E. Companion Biggs extended a warm welcome to all those in attendance.

The following members of Grand Chapter were present:

### GRAND OFFICERS

M.E. Grand High Priest	R. Nelson Biggs
R. E. Grand King	Archie W. Bethard
R. E. Grand Scribe	Robert E. Wasson
R.E. Grand Treasurer	Richard A. Scarlott, PGHP-pt
R.E. Grand Secretary	C. Granville McVey, PGHP -pt
E. Grand Captain of the Host	Franklin R. Townsend
E. Grand Principal Sojourner	Arthur A. Loveless
E. Grand Royal Arch Captain	Scott A. Dalton
E. Grand Marshal	Herbert J. Atkinson
E. Grand Master of the 3rd Veil	
E. Grand Master of the 2nd Veil	Jon B. Cottrell
E. Grand Master of the 1st Veil	
E. Rev. Grand Chaplain	Wayne M. Schutz
E. Grand Sentinel	Robert A. Benson
E. Grand Lecturer	Dean E. Lowe

E. Grand Aide to M.E. Grand High Priest Charles F. Starkey

### PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

Chester C. Coffin, 1969	Wayne M. Schutz, 1992
Donald D. Thomas, 1978	Charles H. Lengel, Jr., 1993
James A. Pletz, 1983	William J. Littel, 1994
Harry M. Sullivan, Jr, 1986	C. William Tulloch, 1995
C. Granville McVey, 1987	Albert J. Miller, 1996
Richard A. Scarlott, 1988	Sheldon L. Edwards, 1997
John B. Dorsey, 1989	Haywood I. Buck, Jr., 1998
Richard W. Garland, 1990	Richard L. Weaver, 1999

### CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

#### WASHINGTON & LAFAYETTE CHAPTER NO. 1

Robert A. Benson	High Priest
Wayne D. Mower, III	King

#### ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4

Charles T. Hart, PHP	King
Robert Wasson, PHP	Scribe

#### DELTA CHAPTER NO. 6

John A. Loeb	High Priest
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#### HOPE CHAPTER NO. 7

Chester C. Coffin, PGHP	Scribe
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#### KENT CHAPTER NO. 8

James T. Ruby	High Priest
Richard L. Weaver, PGHP	King

#### BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 9

Wayne T. Slack	King
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**DAYLIGHT CHAPTER NO. 10**

Milton O. Wood

High Priest

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented, Most Excellent Grand High Priest Biggs declared the Grand Chapter empowered to undertake all the work that might be regularly placed before it.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, the reading of the Minutes of the 133<sup>rd</sup> Annual Convocation was dispensed with and the Minutes were approved as will be printed in the 2001 Proceedings of the Grand Chapter.

**ADMISSION OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS**

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, all Royal Arch Masons in good standing, as listed in the Register of the Grand Chapter, were admitted by courtesy.

**PRESENTATION OF REPORTS**

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, the Grand Secretary was empowered to present all reports in brief at the will and pleasure of the Grand High Priest and the consent of the members present. Except as may be noted, all Reports herein contained were regularly received, approved and ordered printed in these Proceedings.

**REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

The Grand Secretary has been advised, by the respective Secretaries of the Constituent Chapters, that the Companions, as noted in the

RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS, have been duly elected and installed in their respective Chapters. As such, in addition to the Officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, Past Grand High Priests, and the Past High Priests of the Constituent Chapters of Delaware, these so named Companions are thus entitled to seats in Grand Chapter as representatives of their Chapters.

Fraternally submitted,  
Charles W. Barkins, PGHP

### **DISTINGUISHED VISITORS**

Distinguished Visitors from the neighboring jurisdictions and the several Masonic Bodies in the State of Delaware were presented at the Altar, as follows:

#### **CONNECTICUT**

R.E. Richard E. Larcom	Past Chairman of Grand Custodians
M.P. Richard A. Eppler	Past M.P. Grand Master

#### **DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

R.I. Ayres Domingues	Grand Scribe
M.E. Robert B. Bussler	Past Grand High Priest
M.E. W. Frederick Gore	Past Grand High Priest
M.E. F. William Hershiser	Past Grand High Priest
M.I. Richard Baldwin	Most Illustrious Grand Master

#### **MAINE**

R.E. Gordon L. Kimball	Past Grand King
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#### **MARYLAND**

M.E. Carl Cicchetti, Sr.	Grand High Priest
M.E. Robert B. Malwitz	Past Grand High Priest
M.E. Joseph Chalker	Past Grand High Priest

E. Caulder Morris  
E. Pat Curtis

High Priest  
Past High Priest

### NEW YORK

R.E. Donald Harrison Past Grand Sentinel  
R.E. "Rex" Long Past District Deputy Grand High Priest  
R.E. E. William Whittaker Past District Deputy Grand High Priest  
R.E. Oliver Mereness Past District Deputy Grand High Priest

### PENNSYLVANIA

M.E. Ronald L. Pennell Grand High Priest

### RHODE ISLAND

M.E. Dewey L. Smith Grand High Priest  
M.E. Robert J. Stearns PGHP, Grand Secretary  
M.E. Raymond E. Hassell Past Grand High Priest

### VERMONT

M.E. Belford A. Belles Past Grand High Priest

### VIRGINIA

M.E. George D. Stevens Past Grand High Priest  
R.E. Richard Baldwin Past District Deputy Grand High Priest

Each of the Distinguished Visitors was greeted and received by Most Excellent Grand High Priest Biggs with fond words of remembrances of their sojourns together and sincere thanks for joining with us this weekend.

### RECEPTION OF GRAND LODGE OF DELAWARE

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest then welcomed at the Altar, the following Past Grand Masters and current officers of the Grand Lodge of Delaware.

M.W. Herbert J. Atkinson, P.G.M.  
 M.W. Warren F. Schueler, Sr., PGM  
 M. W. Herbert P. Fulmer, P.G.M., Grand Treasurer  
 M. W. James A. Pletz, P. G. M.  
 M. W. Albert H. Westerside, P. G. M.

### **GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER**

Most Excellent Richard L. Weaver, General Grand Chapter Ambassador for Delaware, presented at the altar Right Excellent Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., Deputy General Grand High Priest for the Northeast Region, and General Grand Master of the First Veil.

### **RECEPTION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF MASONS IN DELAWARE**

Most Worshipful James S. Russell, Jr., Grand Master of Masons in Delaware, was escorted into the Grand Chapter by Past Grand Master Herbert J. Atkinson and presented to the Most Excellent Grand High Priest. The Most Worshipful Grand Master was invited to the East, afforded Symbolic Grand Honors and presented the gavel to preside over Grand Chapter. The Grand Master extended a warm welcome to the visitors and all present and wished for them a most enjoyable stay in this Grand Jurisdiction. Most Worshipful Russell then returned the gavel of authority to Most Excellent Companion Biggs so he could preside over his Grand Session.

### **RECOGNITION OF PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS**

On direction of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, the Past Grand High Priests in attendance, as noted above, assembled west of the Altar. They then introduced themselves and stated their year of service to the Companions. M.E. Companion Biggs thanked them for

all their past endeavors and for their advice, assistance and labors during the year. They were then afforded Capitular Grand Honors.

### **RECOGNITION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**

On direction of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, the Grand Representatives arose, and were greeted by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, who reminded them to continue their good work of cementing the bond of brotherly love between the sister jurisdictions.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

The Grand Secretary noted that he had received regrets from the Grand High Priests of Massachusetts, Quebec and Ontario who were unable to attend and join in our festivities.

### **ADDRESS OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST**

Distinguished guests, officers of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, and visitors, it is indeed an honor for me to welcome you into this 134th annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Delaware.

I especially want to thank Grand Master Russell for taking time from his schedule to be with us today. It would be impossible for me at this time to thank everyone who has helped, aided and given me wise counsel this past year; so I will just simply say to everyone "a big thank you".

I have had the opportunity to meet several outstanding Masons from Maine to Virginia. One who stands out in my mind is Past ME Grand High Priest, Jack Quillen of Maryland. On my first visit as Grand High Priest of this jurisdiction to the District of Columbia, I met Brother Jack for the first time. During our conversations, I told him




that I was born and raised on the Eastern Shore. Jack's eyes lit up and we have remained close since. In fact, a special thanks to him for naming me an honorary member of the Grand Chapter of Maryland.

In closing, a special thanks to my better half, who has traveled with me on many of my out-of-state visits. Without her, well, I just don't want to think about it. God knows where I would have wound up.

Also, Jean and I both, I feel have established a lifelong friendship in Archie and Diane Bethard, especially our trip to the Northeast Grand Conference in Maine. We flew up together from BWI and on our return flight on Sept. 9, we looked down upon NYC's World Trade Center. The following Tuesday, it was gone. Little did we know, what changes would occur in our country.

Also, again I express my many thanks to everyone.

Sincerely and fraternally,



R. Nelson Biggs  
Grand High Priest

*On Motion, regularly moved, seconded and approved, the Report of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest was received and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.*

**REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER**

**REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY**

Your Grand Secretary is pleased to make this report to this Grand Chapter. I thank all who have helped make the year and have appreciated the assistance given to me by all bodies that I have corresponded with this year.

Here is a records of all income received in the Grand Secretary's Office and an accounting for all vouchers issued.

<b>Income:</b>		<b>Expenses:</b>	
Annual per capita	2356.10	Annual Convocation	1038.51
Permanent Fund Donations	265.99	Engraving	32.50
RARA Donations	1065.00	Rituals	75.00
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>3687.09</b>	Gen. Gd. Chapter Per Capita	262.35
		GHP Apron and Case	257.45
		Grand Secretary Honorarium (1)	250.00
		Grand Secretary Office Expenses	78.09
		Postage	227.46
		Printing/mailing proceedings	0 (2)
		RARA	1262.53
		<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>3483.89</b>

- (1) Payment of 2000 Honorarium not made until 3/2001  
 (2) Proceedings not completed in fiscal year

From a membership perspective, I must sadly report a loss for the year.

#### MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

CHAPTER	START	EXALT	REIN	AFFIL	DEMIT	SUSP	DIED	END
WASH & LAFAY. NO. 1	80	3	3	0	0	3	1	82
ST. JOHN'S NO. 4	91	1	6	0	0	1	5	92
DELTA NO. 6	92	5	0	0	1	1	5	90
HOPE NO. 7	102	2	0	0	0	3	2	99
KENT NO. 8	71	0	2	0	2	4	2	65
BRANDYWINE NO. 9	99	3	0	0	0	4	3	95

<b>2002</b>								<b>2002</b>
DAYLIGHT NO. 10	48	0	0	1	1	0	0	48
TOTALS	583	14	11	1	4	16	18	571
NET LOSS	12							

In reviewing the last several reports, it is noted that deaths are continuing to run around 10-20 per year. This number cannot be helped, but we must redouble our efforts in the Demits and suspensions, which amount to a large part of our membership decline. Every effort should be made by a personal visit to maintain these members. We also need to redouble our efforts in finding new members. There are many Master Masons who have not received the additional light that could benefit from our teachings.

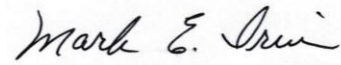
I appreciate all the support I have received from the Secretaries of the subordinate Chapters. I do ask that all file timely monthly reports as this makes things easier for this office.

The Internet and email have been most helpful this year. I encourage all who need to contact this office to take advantage of it. Monthly reports may be filed in this manner and I encourage all Secretaries to provide me with their email address.

To our Most Excellent Grand High Priest, R. Nelson Biggs, I know you have had some physical challenges this year, but I congratulate you on your successes and trust that you and Jean will be able to get some rest.

Lastly, thanks to all the Companions for the honor you have bestowed on me, it has been trying. My new position at Social Security makes my task most difficult and I regret that I was unable to be present at this Grand Convocation. I offer a huge thanks for having Most Excellent C. Granville McVey cover the Grand Secretary's duties today.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,



Mark E. Irwin  
Grand Secretary

*On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, the report of the Grand Secretary was received and appropriate portions referred to the Finance Committee.*

### **REPORT OF THE MEMORIALS COMMITTEE**

Let us begin with prayer:

Eternal God, Supreme High Priest of Heaven and Earth, we confess that we are children of dust, greatly in need of your gracious care. We confess that we have not always lived the life you would have us live, nor responded to your love and care in the manner you would choose. Have mercy on us, and raise us to new life, especially at this time when we come together to remember those Companions who have preceded us to your Eternal Holy Temple. May what we do today, and each day of our lives be acceptable in your sight. Amen.

Today we remember those Companions who have been received before the Throne of Grace. Some were “giants among their peers”, others more ordinary men, but each unique in his talents and his ability to serve Almighty God. Each had his opportunities to server our God – some in the public view, some quietly. All had their God’s plan for their lives. There are those whom we remember as having great, or little, impact on our lives. Let us pause to remember by name those who were important to us (pause). May they all rest in peace.

At this time we bring tokens of commemoration and esteem as we remember them, and as we offer tribute:

A carnation in memory of our Past Grand High Priests;  
 A carnation in memory of our Past High Priests;  
 A carnation in memory of our Constituent Chapter Companions  
 A carnation in memory of those departed Companions from  
 our Sister Grand Jurisdictions, wherever dispersed; and  
 A carnation in memory of those Companions, although unknown  
 to us, lost in the World Trade Center and Pentagon disasters.

Let us pray:

Thou, O Lord, knowest our down-sitting and our uprising, and understandest our thoughts afar off. Consider and hear us as we remember those Companions who have gone before us to be with You. Give us faith, that we may see beyond touch and sight, and experience signs of your kingdom. Give us good hope, so that we may bravely walk our earthly way, and look forward to glad heavenly reunion. May You, O God, bless and keep us all. Amen.

The Rev. James R. Herrington, PHP  
 Grand Chaplain

*At the request of the Grand High Priest, the previous recipients of the F. Irving Crow Award of Honor were asked to stand in place while the following report was read.*

#### **F. IRVING CROW AWARD OF HONOR**

Respectfully submitted,

Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., PGHP (2000), Chairman  
 Haywood I. Buck, Jr., PGHP (2001)  
 Richard L. Weaver, PGHP (2002)

*The F. Irving Crow Award was presented to our esteemed Companion at the Friday Night Banquet in the presence of his devoted wife Mary.*

### **REPORT OF THE YORK RITE ADVANCEMENT, PLANNING AND EDUCATION**

Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Companions of this Grand Chapter, your Committee on York Rite Leadership and Education is pleased to report on a most successful year. As has been noted in the past, the challenge to this Committee is one common across all York Rite Bodies and thus the reason that several years ago we enacted legislation within Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery for a common Committee across those three bodies. We also recognized at that time that we share a like charter with the Grand Lodge and the Scottish Rite and would continue to work with those bodies in this area. This effort has paid off handsomely this year as we join with the Grand Lodge in the first Retreat weekend sponsored by this Grand Lodge – “A Leadership Retreat – Your Journey to the East.” A weekend at Dewey Beach wherein Brethren, Companions, Sir Knights, Sublime Princes and their Ladies will join together to be well FUELED with Fun, Unity, Education and Leadership. This represents a magnificent opportunity for all Appendant Bodies to join and learn together.

The Committee is very proud of this accomplishment and is indebted to those of the Grand Lodge who have made this possible. The particulars – April 12, 13, and 14<sup>th</sup> at Ruddertown, Dewey Beach, cost – a very nominal \$70 per person registration fee including all Retreat materials, meals, gratuities, hospitality and entertainment – an absolute bargain. Hotel arrangements may be made at the Best Western Gold Leaf. Further particulars can be obtained from the Grand Recorder.

Fraternally submitted for the Committee,  
Donald D. Thomas, PGHP

### **REPORT OF THE RITUAL COMMITTEE**

The Committee on Rituals is pleased to report that in the past year some chapters have really improved in their opening and closing ritualistic work. This reflects on the assistance given to the chapters by the ritual committee. However, some are still struggling to properly perform the opening and closing ritualistic work.

Some of the chapters are not filling all of their chairs and therefore it is difficult for them to be proficient in their rituals.

The degree work in the chapters has been conferred in a most proficient manner. This is a result of selecting the better qualified ritualists from various chapters for the degree team.

Many of the newly installed officers for 2002 will be receiving instructions to improve their ritualistic work.

Fraternally submitted,  
Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP  
Grand Lecturer

### **INSURANCE COVERAGE**

The Grand Secretary regularly moved, and it was duly seconded, that this Grand Chapter, in conjunction with the other York Rite Bodies meeting this weekend, continue with the Liability Insurance coverage program. The costs will be the same as last year. **APPROVED.**

### **REPORT OF THE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE**

ZZZZZZZZZ On 7 October 2000, the Multi-Jurisdictional festival was held at the George Washington National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia. Five Companions with six candidates accompanied Most Excellent Carl V. Dreisbach, Jr., Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Delaware to the festival. Chapter was opened in form by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the District of Columbia, John Vergalla in the North Room of the Memorial.

After all dispensations were read the Grand High Priest announced that any chapters having petitions to be balloted on could do so at that time. Two chapters from Virginia and Delta, No. 6 from Delaware proceeded to ballot on their petitions. Following these ballots, the chapter was called from labor to refreshment and a Lodge on Mark Master was open for work and instruction. A degree team from the District conferred the degree. This was "Good work, true work," such work as we usually see at the festival. Following the Mark Degree, members from Maryland conferred the Past Masters Degree. Next a degree team from the District of Columbia conferred the Most Excellent Master Degree with Most Excellent Wayne M. Schutz, Past Grand High Priest of Delaware giving the lecture and charge. As usual, this was done in an efficient manner. Following lunch, companions from Virginia conferred the Royal Arch Degree in a manner worthy of the Most Excellent George "Kingfish" Stephens and Most Excellent Howard Coleman, Past Grand High Priests of Virginia. There were a total of sixty-three candidates in the class.

At the conclusion of the Royal Arch Degree, Most Excellent Eugene F. Moorefield, Jr., Grand High Priest of Virginia thanked Most Excellent John Vergalla, Grand High Priest of the District of Columbia for hosting a most successful Multi-Jurisdiction Festival. The Grand High Priest of Maryland and Delaware were recognized along with Most Excellent Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP of Delaware and Most Excellent Robert Bussler of the District of Columbia. Bob was the festival coordinator and was Right Worshipful Master in the Mark Master



Degree. The chapter was closed using the Virginia closing at 3:55 P.M. peace and harmony prevailing. This was very impressive and was appreciated by all as it gave everyone a part in the closing ritual.

Respectfully submitted,

C. William Tulloch, PGHP  
Chairman

*For the record, the Grand Secretary noted the following planned schedule of events for the multi-jurisdictional festival.:*

#### MULTI JURISDICTIONAL SCHEDULE

Year	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Host	DE	PA	NJ	VA	MD	DC	DE
MARK	MD	DE	VA	DC	PA	NJ	MD
PAST	DE	MD	DC	NJ	VA	MD	DE
M.E.M.	VA	NJ	PA	MD	DC	PA	VA
ROYAL.	PA	DC	MD	DE	NJ	VA	PA

#### REPORT OF THE GRAND YORK RITE ANNUAL MEETING

*ZZZZZZZZZ* The responsibility of the committee included the banquet, ladies' luncheon, men's luncheon, buffet luncheon at the Ramada Inn in the hospitality rooms on Friday, March 9, and the facilities that provided the lodging of our distinguished guests.

Transportation was provided from the Ramada Inn to the Grand Lodge located at 818 Market Street and return at the specified time.

This year the men's' luncheon was catered by Joe Schwartz and food service personnel from his place of business in Salisbury, MD. We thank M.E. Carl V. Dreisbach Jr., Grand High Priest, for making these arrangements.

The committee would like to thank P.H.P. Franklin R. Townsend, his lady Joyce, and P.H.P. Howard Robertson, III for stepping in and printing the banquet programs. It was greatly appreciated. We also would like to thank the three Grand Presiding Officers, whose ladies and friends supplied the hospitality rooms in fine fashion.

The committee recommends that the incoming chairmen of the York Rite Annual Meeting Committee begin their planning as soon as possible, thereby avoiding any unexpected changes.

Some highlights that may be of interest: the banquet served a total of 201, the men's luncheon over 100 and the ladies luncheon 45.

The committee takes this opportunity to thank all who willingly gave of their time and talent to make the festivities of the weekend a success.

Fraternally submitted,

The Committee

### **REPORT OF THE PORTRAIT AND JEWEL COMMITTEE**

*ZZZZZZZZ* The Portrait and Jewel Committee continues to function the same way it has for the past fifteen plus years. The only major difference is that P.G.H.P. C. Granville McVey is now fabricating the frames for the portraits.

Fraternally submitted,

Franklin R. Townsend, P.H.P.

### **REPORT OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE**

ZZZZZZZZZZZZ Both of our youth organizations, namely the Order of DeMolay and Job's Daughters, have continued to serve in an exemplary manner in their involvement in numerous fraternal as well as public functions. Ritual work has greatly improved in each body.

As mentioned in last year's report, the DeMolay Executive Director's leadership efforts and devotion have paid big dividends to this body. When he started this assignment in 1996, he had 5 boys to work with. It is noteworthy to point out that in only 5 years, this number has increased to over 70 boys at this time. In the DeMolay Grand Master's initiation held on March 3, 2001, all 3 DeMolay Chapters participated in outstanding ritual work, in initiating 2 new candidates and 5 members who received the DeMolay degree. In addition, there was a large turnout of boys from 3 other jurisdictions including one DeMolay body from out of state.

The Job's Daughters Bethels seem to be collectively progressing nicely. One Bethel is scheduled to serve breakfast for our Grand Lodge meeting on March 24, 2001 in Dover.

With the tragedy of recent school shootings across our country, it seems that we need more members in these youth organizations to learn the leadership and moral skills to prevent further repetition of this kind of behavior. However, this cannot be accomplished without a much greater presence of competent adult advisors. This need is particularly strong in the DeMolay body. Therefore, this committee recommends that we strive to support our young people in this effort.

If you are able to help, and can spare a little time to this worthwhile cause, please let us know. The returns from this effort will be amazing, and I can't stress enough the importance of this activity, and the satisfaction you will receive from helping out.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert E. Wasson, P.H.P.

### **REPORT OF BY-LAWS COMMITTEE**

The By-laws committee received one request to change their By-laws.

That request was from Delta Chapter # 6, RAM, Newport, Delaware

Current By-law:

Article VII, Section 2 reads:

SECTION 2. The annual dues shall be eighteen dollars, payable annually in December. Plus Grand Chapter Assessments.

Proposed change will read:

Article VII, Section 2. The annual dues shall be set by the Chapter, payable annually in December. Plus Grand Chapter Assessments. The annual dues may be amended after being proposed in writing, read before the Chapter at a Stated Convocation and laid over until the next Stated Convocation before being voted upon; two-thirds of all members present shall be necessary for adoption of such amendment.

There is no conflict with Grand Chapter, the members had received due and timely notice to appear at the Stated Convocation.

The Committee there-by grants the change in By-laws for Delta

Chapter #6.

Respectfully submitted,  
Benjamin F. Lloyd, Jr., PGM, PHP  
Eugene R. Small, PHP, Chairman

*Upon motion duly made and seconded the recommendation was passed. **APPROVED***

### **GOVERNOR TO THE ALBERT T. HANBY TRUST REPORT**

As Chairman of this committee I received no notice this capitular year of any meeting of the Albert T. Hanby Trust Committee. This, I would assume, is owing to the fact that the land held within the Trust is on a long-term lease to the Y.M.C.A. of Northern Delaware.

However, one spark of interest was forthcoming from our esteemed Companion in Pennsylvania, Jerry Hamilton, who requested as much information as I had available on the subject. I understand he made a most interesting presentation to a Masonic group on the history of Albert T. Hanby, a Pennsylvania Master Mason

Fraternally submitted,  
Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., PGHP  
Chairman

### **REPORT OF THE R.A.R.A. COMMITTEE**

During 2001, Delaware Royal Arch Masons supported Royal Arch Research Assistance (RARA) individually and by Chapter. As is tradition in Delaware, each Chapter continued to encourage and collect donations to this worthy cause in ways unique to the Chapter. As examples, a Chapter may pass the hat at each convocation, another may include part of the cost of refreshments, another may assess its

members, another may make special donations on behalf of a deceased Companion, or another might donate an amount from its general fund. Whatever the method, each Chapter continues to place importance on the research supported by RARA to assist those who have a learning disability due to a Central Auditory Processing Disorder.

According to the year-end report from the General Grand Chapter RARA Headquarters, since its inception, Royal Arch Masons have donated \$4,716,093.67, of which, Delaware Companions have contributed \$16,583.69. During 2001, Companions in Delaware donated \$2,248.65 to RARA, which includes a generous donation of \$1,000.00 by the Grand Eastern Star Chapter of Delaware from funds raised at their Annual Summer Benefit.

This past year, at every official visit to subordinate Chapters by M.E. Grand High Priest Nelson Biggs, Grand King Archie Bethard gave a brief talk about what RARA is all about and commended the Delaware Companions for their support.

Five Delaware Chapters also received 100% Certificates from the General Grand Chapter RARA office signifying that Chapter donations during 2001 were from 100 % of its members.

At the Annual Grand Chapter Convocation held on March 9, 2002, the following donations to RARA in the amount of \$873.20 were presented to be forwarded to RARA Headquarters:

St. Johns Chapter No. 4	\$150.00
Delta Chapter No. 6	128.60
Kent Chapter No. 8	34.00
Brandywine Chapter No. 9	335.60
Daylight Chapter No. 10	75.00
PMI The Printer People	50.00
Tristate Courier & Carriage, Inc,	80.00

PGHP Albert J. Miller

20.00

We expect that Delaware Companions will continue to contribute generously to RARA during 2002.

Fraternally Submitted,  
Richard W. Garland, PGHP

*During the presentation of this Report representatives from several Chapters made donations.*

### **REPORT OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL**

The General Grand Chapter Distinguished Service Medal in Bronze is presented to a Royal Arch Mason for meritorious service to Royal Arch Masonry, other than holding Masonic office as a Past Grand High Priest or as a Grand Chapter officer. Only one such medal may be presented each year in each jurisdiction affiliated with the General Grand Chapter.

This year your committee will presenting to a worthy Royal Arch Mason, its fiftieth award. Way back in 1952, that first recipient was a Companion by the name of Alfred E. Pool, Past Grand High Priest, who was a member of St. John's Chapter No. 4 and a member of St. John's Chapter No. 4 and a member of Lodge No. 20 of New Jersey.

The Committee is proud to have selected Excellent Companion Vernon E. (Pete) Lee as the recipient of the Distinguished Service Medal. Pete is a well known and respected Mason in Delaware who has distinguished himself and improved the Craft through active participation in Masonic affairs. He served Unity Lodge No. 32 as Worshipful Master in 1975 and 1981, and continues to serve the Lodge as Treasurer. His Royal Arch activities have been many and varied. Pete served as High Priest of Delta Chapter No. 6 in 1985 and, as a

Charter Member, served Daylight Chapter No. 10 as High Priest for two years in 1999-2000. He has served both Chapters on the Officer's Instructions Committee and has participated in many degree conferrals by taking various stations in all four Capitular Degrees. Pete has been appointed to several Grand Staffs and was a faithful attendee at all Grand Staff visits to Delaware Chapters. He has also done a fine job as Chairman of the Grand Chapter By-laws Committee for a number of years.

Pete and his wife Leslie have lived in Delaware many years and have one daughter and 3 grandchildren. Both Pete and Leslie are enjoying a comfortable and busy retirement. She from DuPont and he from Columbia Gas; where he utilized his draftsman skills for the company and has also used those skills effectively to design trestleboard covers for Unity Lodge and Daylight Chapter.

We are confident that Excellent Companion Lee will continue to serve Masonry and especially Royal Arch Masonry with distinction in future years.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carl V. Dreisbach, Jr., PGHP Chairman

*The Distinguished Service Medal was presented at the banquet the previous night so that Companion Lee's lady could be present.*

### **REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

ZZZZZZZZ Your Committee on Finance reports that we have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer of this Grand Chapter and find them in order. It is recommended that the Grand Secretary issue a voucher to the Grand Treasurer for each disbursement. The portion of the Grand Secretary's Report that deals with finances has presented the revenues and expenses on an itemized



basis. This has been a recommendation in the past and it is reassuring to see this being adopted. The Grand Proceedings are the official record of the activities of this Grand Chapter and the revenues and expenses should be listed for everyone's edification. The Grand Treasurer's Report is more inclusive since it includes all earnings or fees by the bank as well.

The books of the Permanent Fund have been reviewed and we find the disbursements to be in conformance with purpose of this fund. We do note that there is no program to raise funds for this account on a continuing basis. Most of the income is due to the efforts of a very few companions, especially those who recycle aluminum cans and deliver phone books and donate the earnings to the Grand Chapter.

The committee recommends acceptance of their reports for the year ended. The proposed operating budget for next year is essentially the same as last year and its adoption is recommended as well.

It is recommended that the accounts of this Grand Chapter remain with the same financial institution for the next year. If changes are necessary, they should be brought before the Finance Committee for action until they can be brought before Grand Chapter. With a new Grand Treasurer about to be elected for the coming year and a new Grand Secretary being elected last year, this committee recommends the Grand Chapter proceed with caution before it decides to move any bank account or CD.

Every organized group of people needs different leaders and committee people from year to year. It benefits every organization to change committee people on a regular basis to present a fresh approach and to prevent a small group from assuming authority. I have served as Chair of the Finance Committee for several years and gladly turn the reins over to a new Chair.

The Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer are to be commended for their diligence, for all of their efforts and for their wisdom in guiding the finances of this Grand Chapter. The financial soundness continues to improve. This Grand Chapter owes the Grand Treasurer, Most Excellent C. Granville McVey, Past Grand High Priest a deep debt of gratitude for his many years as Grand Treasurer, as the originator of the Permanent Fund and for his tireless efforts to make the Permanent Fund financially sound. This committee recommends that he be named Grand Treasurer Emeritus.

Fraternally submitted,

Harry M. Sullivan, Jr.,  
PGHP

### Proposed Grand Chapter 2001 Budget

Description	1998 Actual	1999 Actual	2000 Actual	2001 Proposed
<b>Income:</b>	3,472.25	3,111.42	3,500.00	3,500.00
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Gen. Gd. Chapter Per Capita	268.20	273.60	270.90	280.00
Grand High Priest Expense (1)	269.00	294.00	523.97	300.00
Grand Secretary Honorarium	125.00	125.00		125.00
Grand Secretary Office Expenses	25.19	240.91	260.31	150.00
Copier/copies	54.74	17.83		25.00
Insurance Share	23.67	28.00		28.00
Postage	38.95	78.84		80.00
Engraving	5.00	5.00		5.00
GHP Apron and Case	233.45	273.45	236.95	245.00
Annual Convocation	200.88		831.27	450.00
Printing/mailling proceedings	871.71	780.05	894.00	900.00
Miscellaneous	35.98			
Education Committee			8.52	25.00
RARA		100.00	66.00	100.00
Aprons			425.00	

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GHP Jewels (10)			54.67	
Grand Lodge for GWMNM		100.00		
DeMolay add	200.00	30.00		30.00
Refund of Annual Report fees				
Bible for DeMolay - shared cost			41.67	
Accounts Payable			203.40	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>2,351.77</b>	<b>2,346.68</b>	<b>3,816.66</b>	<b>2,743.00</b>
Adjust expenses to proper year	101.25	187.24	187.24	187.24
Adjusted Annual Expense	<b>2,453.02</b>	<b>2,533.92</b>	<b>4,003.90</b>	<b>2,930.24</b>
<b>Reimbursable Expenses:</b>				
Dues Cards				
Rituals	150.00			
<b>GRAND TOTAL ALL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,603.02</b>	<b>2,533.92</b>	<b>4,003.90</b>	<b>2,930.24</b>
	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>

*On motion regularly made, seconded and approved by a standing acclamation, M.E. C. Granville McVey was made Grand Treasurer Emeritus.*

*On motion regularly made, seconded and approved the Report of the Finance Committee and the above Budget was **APPROVED**.*

### **REPORT OF THE PERMANENT FUND COMMITTEE**

*ZZZZZZZZZZ* The Permanent Fund Committee is pleased to report the following as an activity of the Capitular Year just passed:

At the suggestion of the Grand High Priest, the Order of the Rose was held in Dover on November 1, 2000.

Kent Chapter sponsored and hosted the dinner, which was well received. The Degree was conferred by members of all seven Chapters.

The proceeds were divided between the R.A.R.A. and the Permanent Fund.

We thank P.H.P. Jon Cottrell, the members of the Degree Team, and the Eastern Star that provided the meal. Above all we thank the Companions who believe in and continue to support the Permanent Fund.

Fraternally submitted,

John B. Dorsey, PGHP, Chairman

**JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE  
ADDRESS OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST**

The Jurisprudence Committee is embarrassed in its inability to provide you a complete report on the Address of our Most Excellent Grand High Priest. Rather regrettably, due to circumstances which we are sure were beyond his control, this Committee did not receive his report in sufficient time to enable a total review of his actions. Thus we comment on what we have been so advised and been able to deduce.

We commend our Most Excellent for his stewardship as head of this Grand Body for this past year. A service that his past experience as a Past Master in one of Delaware's premier Craft Lodges and his outstanding year as High Priest of Delta Chapter No. 6 had well prepared him.

Our Most Excellent has attended to his duties in a most attentive manner. Several of our sister jurisdictions have honored him by welcoming him into their Grand Sessions and we are well pleased that he has shared with hem of his knowledge and wit. We would expect that from these visits he also has prospered and we would expect to

reap the seeds that he has now deposited upon our fertile soils. We are delighted that he too lent his wisdom and knowledge to the Northeast Regional Conference in Maine. His expertise in the history of the Civil War alone could have encompassed a large portion of those sessions. He has warmed the convocations of each of the seven Chapters on his official visitations as well as on several regular assemblies sharing freely with them of his time and knowledge. He has also insured that the Capitular Rite was present and well recognized at several of the functions of our Grand Lodge. During his term, Delaware was also privileged to host the Multi-Jurisdictional Festival and the Committee is well please to extend the sincere thanks of this Grand Body to all who participated in this most auspicious occasion. The camaraderie and unity prevalent in this festival and shared amongst those new Companions who join us on that occasion is well worth all the effort and time expended.

Most Excellent Grand High Priest Biggs issued seven dispensations during his term of office. The Committee finds these all to be within the power and prerogatives of his office.

The Most Excellent has, on our behalf, welcomed six distinguished Companions as our Grand Representatives near their Grand Chapter. He also has nominated one of our distinguished Companions to serve in a like capacity in Delaware. We have no doubt that those so named will fulfill their duties with fidelity. Most Excellent Companion Biggs makes no recommendations to this Grand Chapter and the Committee rightly therefore assumes that he finds the affairs of this Grand Chapter and its Constituent bodies in fine shape. It is surely true that there are occasions in life where we just need to pause and reflect than to rush to make change just for the sake of making change.

The Committee sincerely thanks the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and Lady Jean for their time and effort on behalf of this Grand Chapter. They have labored long and hard on our behalf and their

dedication is most appreciated. Many of us are well aware that our Most Excellent has for many years undertaken the most difficult chore of being an official member of that business which attends to the last parting that we pay to our friends, loved ones, Brethren and Companions. He has always done this with the deepest of humility and grace. His hearty handshake, his warm embrace, his tender smile has provided much comfort to many of us. Perhaps it is best summed up in words that are very familiar to him:

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found  
Was blind but now I see.

Sincerely and fraternally,  
Donald D. Thomas, PGHP, Chairman

*Upon motion, duly made and seconded, the Report of the Grand High Priest was ordered printed in the Proceedings of this Grand Session.*

**REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE**  
**Administrative Matters**

Resolved:

That before November 30 each year the Grand Secretary give the Secretary of each constituent Chapter and to the Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee written notice of all proposed amendments to the Constitution, Statutes, Rules, Regulations or Rituals of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Delaware, that are to be acted upon at its next succeeding Annual Convocation.

The Committee moved that this be considered a second and third reading and that the resolution be accepted.

Sincerely and fraternally  
James A. Pletz, PGHP

*Upon motion, duly made and seconded, this Report of the Jurisprudence Committee on Administrative Matters was accepted and the resolution was adopted.*

### **RECOGNITION OF REPRESENTATIVE OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS**

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest then recognized Most Excellent Companion Carl Cicchetti, Sr., Grand High Priest of Maryland who rose and gave fraternal greetings for the visitors. He thanked the Companions for the hospitality of the weekend and congratulated the Grand High Priest on the completion of a successful year.

### **RECOGNITION OF GENERAL GRAND HIGH PRIEST**

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest then recognized, Most Excellent Companion, William Schoene, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International, who brought warm fraternal greetings to the assembled Companions. He thanked the Most Excellent Grand High Priest for the hospitality and friendship shown to him.

### **DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEES**

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest then discharged all Committees, expressing his thanks and that of all members of the Grand Chapter for all their efforts during the past year.

### **ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

Most Excellent Companion Dreisbach announced the time had arrived for the Election of Officers for the ensuing Capitular year. The results of the Election by unanimous ballot of the Grand Treasurer were:

M.E. Grand High Priest	Archie W. Bethard, III
R. E. Grand King	Robert E. Wasson
R. E. Grand Scribe	Franklin R. Townsend
M.E. Grand Treasurer	Richard A. Scarlott
M.E. Grand Secretary	Mark E. Irwin

Each of those named accepted his respective office and was declared duly elected.

The Grand Secretary then noted that St. John's Chapter No. 1 had proposed the name of Excellent Companion Franklin R. Townsend for the station of Grand Captain of the Host. Such proposal being in accordance with the Code of this Grand Jurisdiction, Right Excellent Companion Biggs then announced the following appointments for the ensuing Capitular year:

E. Grand Captain of the Host	Walter F. Lokey
E. Grand Principal Sojourner	Jon B. Cottrell
E. Grand Royal Arch Captain	Dean E. Lowe
E. Grand Lecturer	Richard L. Weaver, PGHP
E. Grand Marshal	Robert A. Benson
E. Grand Master of Third Veil	Lionel Hunter
E. Grand Master of Second Veil	John W. Merkley
E. Grand Master of First Veil	Charles T. Hart
E. Grand Chaplain	Robert H. Hiddeman
E. Grand Sentinel	Winfield W. Lane
E. Grand Aide to M.E. Grand High Priest	James T. Ruby



The elected and appointed Officers were installed in Ample Form by Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest Donald D. Thomas, assisted by Excellent Eugene R. Small as Grand Marshal.

### **APRON & JEWEL PRESENTATIONS**

Grand High Priest Bethard was presented with his Grand High Priest Apron, and the traveling Grand High Priest Jewel, while Past Grand High Priest Biggs was presented his Past Grand High Priest jewel from Most Excellent Companion Donald D. Thomas.

### **GRAND HIGH PRIESTS ACCEPTANCE SPEECH**

R. Nelson Biggs  
Grand High Priest

### **SCHEDULED VISITATIONS**

The Grand High Priest directed the Grand Secretary to read the following schedule of visitations to the Constituent Chapters.

Washington & Lafayette Chapter No. 1	October 21, 2002
St. John's Chapter No. 4	September 16, 2002
Delta Chapter No. 6	September 9, 2002
Hope Chapter No. 7	November 5, 2002
Kent Chapter No. 8	May 1, 2002
Brandywine Chapter No. 9	April 4, 2002
Daylight Chapter No. 10	April 25, 2002

### **ANNUAL CONVOCATION**

On motion, the date and place of the 134<sup>th</sup> Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Delaware was set at 1:00 P.M., or earlier as

necessity may require, on Saturday, March 9, 2002, in Wilmington, Delaware.

## APPOINTMENTS

The Grand High Priest directed the Grand Secretary to read the list of Committee Appointments for the year. First named is the Chairman.

### **JURISPRUDENCE**

Donald D. Thomas, PGHP  
James A. Pletz, PGHP  
Richard L. Weaver, PGHP

### **FINANCE**

Herbert P. Fulmer  
Harold T.J. Littleton  
Arthur A. Loveless

### **GRAND HISTORIANS**

Herbert J. Atkinson  
Maynard H. Mires  
Franklin R. Townsend

### **PERMANENT FUND**

C. Granville McVey, PGHP  
John B. Dorsey  
Ronald C. Jamison

### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL**

R. Nelson Biggs, PGHP (2004)  
Carl V. Dreisbach, Jr., PGHP (2003)  
Richard L. Weaver, PGHP (2002)

### **YOUTH**

R. E. Wasson (2002 – Chapter)  
F R. Townsend (2003 – Council)  
E.R.Small (2004 – Commandery)

### **F. IRVING CROW AWARD**

Richard L. Weaver, PGHP, (2002)  
Carl V. Dreisbach, Jr., PGHP, (2003)  
R. Nelson Biggs, PGHP (2004)

### **CREDENTIALS**

Charles W. Barkins, PGHP  
James M. Brittingham  
Arthur A. Loveless

### **MEMORIALS**

Rev. James R. Herrington  
Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP

### **PORTRAIT AND JEWEL**

Franklin R. Townsend

### **ROYAL ARCH RES. ASSISTANCE**

Richard W. Garland, PGHP  
Kings of all Chapters

### **PRINTING**

Mark E. Irwin  
Donald D. Thomas, PGHP

**FESTIVALS**

C. William Tulloch, PGHP  
Herbert J. Atkinson  
High Priests of all Chapters

**BY-LAWS**

Eugene R. Small, Chairman  
Benjamin F. Lloyd, Jr.

**MEMBERSHIP RETENTION**

Jon B. Cottrell  
James T. Ruby  
High Priests of all Chapters

**RITUAL**

Wayne M. Schutz ,PGHP  
Eugene R. Small  
Wayne T. Slack

**YORK RITE LEADERSHIP & EDUCATION**

Mark E. Irwin (2002 - Chapter)  
Franklin R. Townsend (2003 - Council)  
Donald D. Thomas, PGHP (2004 – Commandery)

**GRAND YORK RITE ANNUAL MEETING**

Jon B. Cottrell (2002 – Commandery)  
Arthur A. Loveless (2003 - Chapter)  
James R. Herrington (2004 - Council)

**ALBERT T. HANBY TRUST**

Sheldon L. Edwards, PGHP, Governor

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to claim the attention of the Grand Chapter, Most Excellent Grand High Priest Dreisbach wished for all safe travels home and closed Grand Chapter in Ample Form at 4:20 P.M.

Attest:



Mark E. Irwin  
Grand Secretary

**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER  
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL**

- |                             |                               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| * 1952 Alfred E. Pool       | * 1977 Samuel B. Rash, Jr.    |
| * 1953 James A. Lewis       | p 1978 James A. Pletz         |
| * 1954 Harold A. Shaub      | * 1979 Wilfred T. Mason       |
| * 1955 Joseph R. Pittard    | * 1980 James L. Crouse        |
| * 1956 Jesse E. Farlow      | * 1981 Robert E. Stewart      |
| * 1957 Thomas R. Saunders   | p 1982 Wayne M. Schutz        |
| + 1958 Martin C. Rauh       | p 1983 C. William Tulloch     |
| * 1959 Clarence W. Thompson | 1984 Ray A. Schell            |
| * 1960 Ernest M. Rogers     | 1985 Samuel L. Mellin         |
| 1961 Joseph P. Miller       | * 1986 Lambert E. Argo        |
| * 1962 Thomas L. Sheldon    | * 1987 J. Norman Nicklas      |
| * 1963 James R. Hanna       | p 1988 Charles H. Lengel, Jr. |
| * 1964 Harry H. Conner      | p 1989 Franklin R. Townsend   |
| * 1965 G. Willard Millman   | p 1990 Carl V. Dreisbach, Jr. |
| * 1966 Willard S. Dickerson | 1991 Harry D. Newell          |
| # 1967 Lawrence B. Jones    | * 1992 John F. McBride        |
| * 1968 Charles J. Brodie    | p 1993 Archie W. Bethard, III |
| + 1969 George S. Flumerfelt | 1994 William H. Athan         |
| * 1970 E. Paul Wootten      | 1995 John N. Phillos          |
| * 1971 Clifton A. Lutz      | 1996 James A. Johnson         |
| * 1972 Ralph Cassel         | 1997 David F. Coady           |
| * 1973 Paul E. Hurter       | 1998 Frank M. Keiser          |
| * 1974 George S. Buhl       | p 1999 Charles J. Conley      |
| * 1975 Harry E. McBride     | 2000 Maurice C. Barnes        |
| * 1976 George Kuba          | 2001 Vernon E. Lee            |

#### F. IRVING CROW AWARD OF HONOR

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|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| * 1978 Raymond A. Howard   | p 1991 Harry M. Sullivan, Jr.  |
| p 1979 Chester C. Coffin   | p 1992 C. Granville McVey      |
| * 1980 Charles E. Green    | p 1994 James A. Pletz          |
| * 1981 William H. Cantwell | p 1995 Franklin R. Townsend    |
| * 1984 C. Ray Scarborough  | p 1996 Richard A. Scarlott     |
| 1985 James H. Hutchins     | p 1997 Charles H. Lengel, Jr.  |
| p 1986 Donald D. Thomas    | 1998 Maynard H. Mires          |
| 1987 Henry G. Law          | p 1999 Warren F. Schueler, Sr. |
| * 1989 Richard H. Thomas   | p 2000 William J. Littel       |
| 1990 John J. Goodier       |                                |

\* - Deceased e - Excused p - Present

#### GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

##### GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF DELAWARE

- |                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| *Daniel C. Godwin, 1869-70 | *Jacob F. Mynich, 1877    |
| *Allen V. Lesley, 1871     | *Alfred G. Coe, 1878-79   |
| *John R. McFee, 1872       | *John W. Lawson, 1880-81  |
| *George W. Stone, 1873-74  | *Thomas Davidson, 1882-83 |
| *Willis Holden, 1875-76    | *John Otto, Jr., 1884-85  |

#### GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

**GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF DELAWARE  
(Continued)**

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| *William C. Baggerly, 1886-87   | *Charles R. Cannon, 1940      |
| *Joseph A. Bond, 1888-89        | *George E. Vandegrift, 1941   |
| *John L. Clark, 1890-91         | *Stephen E. Hamilton, 1942    |
| *Francis L. Carpenter, 1892     | *Andrew J. Bock, Jr., 1943    |
| *George W. Andrews, 1893-94     | *Charles S. Cahoon, 1944      |
| *Eugene Massey, 1895            | *Joseph O. Willis, 1945       |
| *Virginius V. Harrison, 1896-97 | *Harvey W. Bentley, 1946      |
| *Lewis W. Flinn, 1898           | *William H. Cantwell, 1947    |
| *Harry Galbraith, 1899-1900     | *F. Irving Crow, 1948         |
| *Joseph Row, 1901               | *J. Ralph Carey, 1949         |
| *J. Paul Lukens, 1902-03        | *R. Earle Dickey, 1950        |
| *J. Harmer Rile, 1904           | *Harry R. Craig, 1951         |
| *John Oliver, 1905              | *James Carswell, 1952         |
| *Harry W. Lowe, 1906            | *Harry W. Loose, 1953         |
| *Thomas J. Jacobs, 1907         | Irwin R. Murray, 1954         |
| *Alfred M. Clower, 1908         | *J. Henry McDonnell, 1955     |
| *A. Henry Berlin, 1909          | *Alfred E. Pool, 1956         |
| *Stuart J. Horn, 1910           | *Charles E. Green, 1957       |
| *Albert F. Polk, 1911           | *Claude P. Davidson, 1958     |
| *Samuel H. Benson, Jr., 1912    | *A. Warren Wheatley, 1959     |
| *Walter W. Bacon, 1913          | *Rhey H. Smith, 1960          |
| *Alexander J. Taylor, 1914      | *Raymond A. Howard, 1961      |
| *Asa Bennett, 1915              | *Powell E. Craig, 1962        |
| *John W. Macklem, 1916          | *Ernest H. Martyn, 1963       |
| *George S. Scott, 1917          | *Warren W. Edinger, Jr., 1964 |
| *Leon Walker, 1918              | *Samuel A. Wise, 1965         |
| *W. Frank Sharp, 1919           | Chester G. Dahlstrom, 1966    |
| *George L. Dickerson, 1920      | *John S. Proud, 1967          |
| *W. Harry Lewis, 1921           | *Richard H. Thomas, 1968      |
| *George A. Salmon, 1922         | Chester C. Coffin, 1969       |
| *Charles A. Willin, 1923        | #Lawrence B. Jones, 1970      |
| +John E. Krauss, 1924           | *John J. McClearnen, 1971     |
| *West A. Trotter, 1925          | *Bruce C. Ward, 1972          |
| *George O. Fearon, 1926         | John J. Goodier, 1973         |
| *J. Wallace Woodford, 1927      | *C. Ray Scarborough, 1974     |
| *Frank L. Long, 1928            | Charles W. Barkins, 1975      |
| *Obadiah Clark, 1929            | *Clifton A. Lutz, 1976        |
| *William O. Wingate, 1930       | *James E. Peo, 1977           |
| *Harold W.T. Purnell, 1931      | Donald D. Thomas, 1978        |
| *John P. LeFevre, 1933          | *George Kuba, 1979            |
| *Henry S. Young, 1934           | James H. Hutchins, 1980       |
| *Calvin E. Afflerbach, 1935     | *Raymond M. Savage, 1981      |
| *Herman H. Hanson, 1936         | Henry G. Law, 1982            |
| *Cornelius E. Beatty, 1937      | James A. Pletz, 1983          |
| *Frank L. Harrar, 1938          | *George K. Harris, Jr., 1984  |
| *Joseph T. Maxwell, 1939        | Lewis J. Blackwell, 1985      |

**GRAND HIGH PRIESTS**

**GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF DELAWARE  
(Continued)**

Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., 1986  
C. Granville McVey, 1987  
Richard A. Scarlott, 1988  
John B. Dorsey, 1989  
Richard W. Garland, 1990  
\*T. Eugene Womach, 1991  
Wayne M. Schutz, 1992  
Charles H. Lengel, Jr., 1993

William J. Littel, 1994  
C. William Tulloch, 1995  
Albert J. Miller, 1996  
Sheldon L. Edwards, 1997  
Haywood I. Buck, Jr., 1998  
Richard L. Weaver, 1999  
Carl V. Dresibach, 2000  
R. Nelson Biggs, 2001

**GRAND TREASURERS**

\*Stilman A. Hodgemen, 1869-74  
\*James H. Cameron, 1875  
\*James Ponder, 1876  
\*James M. Jones, 1877  
\*William W. Lobdell, 1878  
\*Alfred D. Warner, 1879  
\*Joseph W.H. Watson, 1880  
\*James H. Price, 1881  
\*Winfield S. Quigley, 1882  
\*Joseph A. Bond, 1883  
\*Wilmer Palmer, 1884  
\*John B. Book, 1885  
\*James S. Dobb, 1886  
\*Francis W. Carswell, 1887  
\*Benjamin F. Bartram, 1888  
\*Mark L. Garrett, 1889  
\*J. Parke Postles, 1890  
\*Thomas O. Cooper, 1891  
\*Lewis B. Jervis, 1892  
\*George H. McCall, 1893  
\*William L. Crossan, 1894  
\*Harry W. Lowe, 1895

\*Harrie H. Campbell, 1896  
\*J. Jackson Pierce, 1897  
\*J. Harmer Rile, 1898  
\*Thomas G. Pennington, 1899  
\*George M. Fisher, 1900  
\*William M. Eaton, Jr., 1901  
\*John B. Martin, 1902-06  
\*Thomas Reardon, 1907-18  
\*George S. Scott, 1919-40  
\*James McMillan, 1941-52  
\*James Carswell, 1953-66  
\*Ernest H. Martyn, 1967-70  
\*Raymond A. Howard, 1971-79  
\*C. Ray Scarborough, 1980  
Chester C. Coffin, 1981-86  
Henry G. Law, 1987-91  
C. Granville McVey, 1992 - 94  
Donald D. Thomas, 1995  
C. Granville McVey, 1996 - 00  
G. Thomas Taylor, 2001  
Richard A. Scarlott, 2002

**GRAND SECRETARIES**

\*Alfred T.A. Torbert, 1869  
\*William F. Godwin, 1870-71  
\*John P. Allmond, 1872-79  
\*Henry B. McIntire, 1880-85  
\*William Marshall, 1886  
\*James H. Price, 1887-1914  
\*Stuart J. Horn, 1915-23  
\*John W. Macklem, 1924-43  
\*Marshall M. Carpenter, 1944-56  
\*Alfred E. Coe, 1957-61

\*Raymond A. Howard, 1962-70  
#Lawrence B. Jones, 1971-72  
Donald D. Thomas, 1973-74  
Henry G. Law, 1975-80  
\*C. Ray Scarborough, 1981-91  
Henry G. Law, 1992-1994  
C. Granville McVey, 1995  
Donald D. Thomas, 1996- 99  
Mark E. Irwin, 2000 -

\* - Deceased + - Withdrawn # - Suspended

**RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS**

**WASHINGTON & LAFAYETTE CHAPTER NO. 1  
WILMINGTON**

Date of Charter: January 20, 1869  
 Stated Convocations: First Monday of each Month  
 Except September, Second Monday  
 Closed: July and August

**OFFICERS**

Robert A. Benson	High Priest
Wayne D. Mower	King
Peter Tyrell	Scribe
Joseph L. Kaufman	Treasurer
Franklin R. Townsend, PHP	Secretary
Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP	Captain of the Host
Timothy D. Spence	Principal Sojourner
Howard L. Robertson, III	Royal Arch Captain
Henry George, IV	Master of the 3rd Veil
Francis E. Kates	Master of the 2nd Veil
William H. Athan, PHP	Master of the 1st Veil
Scott Dalton	Chaplain
C. Norwood Hudson	Sentinel

**EXALTED**

Timothy D. Spence	Francis E. Kates
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**REINSTATED**

None

**DEMITTED**

None

**SUSPENDED**

William Simpson, III

**DIED**

None



**ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER NO. 4  
WILMINGTON**

Date of Charter: January 20, 1869

Stated Convocations: Third Tuesday of each Month  
Closed: July and August

**OFFICERS**

Charles Hart, PHP	High Priest
Lionel D. Hunter, PHP	King
Robert A. Wasson, PHP	Scribe
C. Granville McVey, PGHP	Treasurer
Cesar Aniceto	Secretary
Richard L. Weaver, PGHP	Captain of the Host
Raymond C. Childress, PHP	Principal Sojourner
Albert J. Hart	Royal Arch Captain
Sheldon L. Edwards, PGHP	Master of the 3rd Veil
David Majors, PHP	Master of the 2nd Veil
James A. Johnson, PHP	Master of the 1st Veil
Ben Shoop	Sentinel

**EXALTED**

None

**AFFILIATED**

None

**DEMITTED**

None

**SUSPENDED**

Arthur Archer	David Bach
David Baker	Larry Bennett
Earl L. Emerson, Jr.	Kevin E. Dill
Charles L. Roberts, Jr.	Dallas E. Salter
Carson L. Stoneman	A. Ray Wilkerson

**DIED**

Matthew R. Loose

**DELTA CHAPTER NO. 6  
NEWPORT**

Date of Charter: January 21, 1874  
Stated Convocations: Second Monday of each Month  
Closed: July and August

**OFFICERS**

Dean E. Lowe	High Priest
John A. Loeb	King
John S. Hanna, Jr.	Scribe
Eugene R. Small, PHP	Treasurer
Herbert J. Atkinson, PHP	Secretary
Ray A. Schell, PHP	Secretary, Emeritus
	Captain of the Host
	Principal Sojourner
A. Tony Maxwell	Royal Arch Captain
Charles F. Starkey	Master of the 3rd Veil
Arthur A. Loveless, Jr.	Master of the 2nd Veil
	Master of the 1st Veil
William J. Littel, PGHP	Sentinel

**EXALTED**

Anatol Tony Maxwell	James Gary Taylor
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**DEMITTED**

None

**SUSPENDED**

None

**DIED**

Albert J. McCrery, Jr. Jr.	Arthur W. Lister,
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**HOPE CHAPTER NO. 7  
GEORGETOWN**

Date of Charter: January 23, 1893  
Stated Convocations: First Tuesday of each Month  
Closed: June, July and August

**OFFICERS**

John W. Merkley	High Priest
James B. Walsh, PHP	King
Lucien T. Lenhart	Scribe
Chester C. Coffin, PGHP	Treasurer
Maurice C. Barnes, PHP	Secretary
Samuel L. Mellin, PHP	Captain of the Host
	Principal Sojourner
	Royal Arch Captain
	Master of the 3rd Veil
	Master of the 2nd Veil
	Master of the 1st Veil
	Sentinel

**EXALTED**

None

**DEMITTED**

None

**SUSPENDED**

Richard H. Anthony		Harold Valerious
	Albert C. Vopalecki	

**DIED**

Edward J. Fields		Richard H. Lecates
W. Bruce Davis		Kenneth A. Sloan

**KENT CHAPTER NO. 8  
DOVER**

Date of Charter: January 19, 1921  
Stated Convocations: First Wednesday of each Month  
Closed: June, July and August

**OFFICERS**

Jon B. Cottrell, PHP	High Priest
James T. Ruby	King
Archie W. Bethard, III, PHP	Scribe
C. William Tulloch, PGHP	Treasurer
Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., PGHP	Secretary
Richard L. Weaver, PGHP	Captain of the Host
James L. Ferguson, PHP	Principal Sojourner
Kenneth P. Brown	Royal Arch Captain
Richard L. Shehorn	Master of the 3rd Veil
S. Curtis Cole	Master of the 2nd Veil
John D. Hiott	Master of the 1st Veil
Robert P. Newnam	Chaplain
Charles W. Barkins, PGHP	Sentinel

**EXALTED**

None

**REINSTATED**

None

**AFFILIATED**

Richard L. Weaver

**DEMITTED**

Joseph P. Miller, Sr.

**SUSPENDED**

Jesse E. Collier

Gordon S. Pink

A. Lewis Friday

**DIED**

John R. Secord, Jr.  
Freeman R. Smith, PHP

Wilbur J. Bulkley  
Harry McDaniel, PHP

**BRANDYWINE CHAPTER NO. 9  
WILMINGTON**

Date of Charter: January 15, 1966  
Stated Convocations: First Thursday of each Month  
Closed: July and August

**OFFICERS**

Robert R. Hiddeman	High Priest
Wayne T. Slack	King
Herber R. Hoffman	Scribe
John B. Dorsey, PGHP	Treasurer
David H. Laucius	Secretary
John C. Rayias	Captain of the Host
	Principal Sojourner
John W. Peronti	Royal Arch Captain
Neal J. Sobocipski	Master of the 3rd Veil
	Master of the 2nd Veil
Melvin E. Gregg	Master of the 1st Veil
Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP	Chaplain
Edwin L. Stein, Jr.	Sentinel

**EXALTED**

Frederick Coenen	William A.
Sembert	
Ralph E. Snyder	James S. Russell
Ronald Dawson	

**REINSTATED**

None

**AFFILIATED**

John Losten

**DEMITTED**

William H. Athan

**SUSPENDED**

None

**DIED**

Calvin M. Ritterson, Jr.

**DAYLIGHT CHAPTER NO. 10  
NEWPORT**

Date of Charter: March 12, 1994  
Stated Convocations: 11:00 A.M. Fourth Monday of each Month  
Closed: July and August

**OFFICERS**

Winfield W. Lane	High Priest
Milton O. Wood	King
Charles F. Mitchell, Jr.	Scribe
William J. Littel, PGHP	Treasurer
Richard W. Garland, PGHP	Secretary
Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP	Captain of the Host
Loren W. Kunkle	Principal Sojourner
Harry A. Diehl	Royal Arch Captain
William B. Neal	Master of the 3rd Veil
Edward G. Roth, III	Master of the 2nd Veil
Benjamin A. Thomasson	Master of the 1st Veil
Harold T. J. Littleton, PHP	Chaplain
Andrew J. Johnson, Jr.	Sentinel

**EXALTED**

Edward G. Roth, III

**AFFILIATED**

None

**DEMITTED**

None

**SUSPENDED**

None

**DIED**

None

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\* - Present e - Excused

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD  
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

The Annual Convention of Anointed High Priests of the State of Delaware was held in the Masonic Temple, 818 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, on Wednesday evening, December 27, 2000, A.B. 3913. The Convention was opened in Due Form at 8:10 P.M. with the following Officers in their respective stations:

Most Excellent President	Donald D. Thomas, PGHP
Excellent Vice-President	Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., PGHP
Excellent Chaplain	James A. Pletz, PGHP
Excellent Treasurer	Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP
Excellent Recorder	Richard W. Garland, PGHP
Excellent Master of Ceremonies	Richard L. Weaver,pt, PGHP
Excellent Conductor	John B. Dorsey, PGHP
Excellent Herald	Charles J. Conley, PHP
Excellent Steward	Charles W. Barkins, PGHP
Excellent Sentinel	C. William Tulloch, PHP

together with members and visiting Excellent Companions whose names are recorded in the Register.

Regrets were sent by Most Excellent Grand High Priest Carl V. Dreisbach whose son is seriously ill and by Most Worshipful Charles H. Lengel, Jr. who is traveling on Grand Lodge of Delaware business.

On motion, the Minutes of the Annual Convention of December 29, 1999, was approved as printed and the reading thereof dispensed with. The Recorder presented the following bill for payment, which was approved: Refreshments - \$18.00 (Paid from receipts of evening). On motion the Treasurer's Report was accepted without reading and directed to be printed in the Proceedings. The suggested donation for dues was \$1.00.

The Constituent Chapters reported that the following had been elected to preside over their respective Chapters for the ensuing year:

Robert A. Benson	Washington & Lafayette Chapter No. 1
Charles T. Hart, PHP	St. Johns Chapter No. 4
Dean E. Lowe	Delta Chapter No. 6
John W. Merkley	Hope Chapter No. 7
Jon B. Cottrell, PHP	Kent Chapter No. 8
Robert H. Hiddeman	Brandywine Chapter No. 9
Winfield W. Lane	Daylight Chapter No. 10

four of whom, being in waiting and having the requisite fee, were duly introduced, Anointed, Consecrated, and Set Apart to the Holy Order of High Priesthood in due and ancient form. The Order was conferred in a most commendable manner by Most Excellent President Donald D.

Thomas, assisted by the other Officers as listed above. Most Excellent President Thomas announced that Companion Merkley was unable to attend the Convention and would be Anointed on February 6, 2001, in Georgetown.

On motion, all incumbent Officers were re-elected for the ensuing year. The appointed Officers were re-appointed to their respective stations. The Most Excellent President recognized the Past Grand High Priests and Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Delaware in attendance.

The Most Excellent President then called upon representatives from the various Chapters to introduce the newly Anointed High Priests-Elect, each of whom then favored the Convention with remarks.

The Most Excellent President announced the next Order of High Priesthood Convention would be held on Thursday, December 27, 2001, at 818 Market St., Wilmington, Delaware.

M.E. President Thomas recognized PGHP Sheldon L. Edwards, Deputy District GHP, Northeast Region, and Grand Master 3<sup>rd</sup> Veil, General Grand Chapter International. Others introduced were MIGM William J. Littel, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware, REGC Robert V. McDowell, III, Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Delaware and Deputy for Delaware for Delaware Scottish Rite. PGHP John B. Dorsey, Puissant Sovereign of Delaware Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. PGM and PHP Benjamin F. Lloyd, Jr., Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Delaware and PHP Eugene R. Small, Deputy Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Delaware. Also, PGHP James A. Pletz, Prior of Jesse Green Priory No. 70, KYCH.

Three visitors from Pennsylvania were introduced and thanked for attending. They were PGHP of Pennsylvania Charles Nebel, Companions Michael Peters and William Hubbard. PGHP Nebel also sent greetings from Richard Zecker, PHP, and long time attendee at this function, who was traveling and unable to attend.

Also introduced was Past Grand First Principal Cecil B. Decker of Nova Scotia who offered his greetings and invited the Companions to Nova Scotia on May 4&5, 2001, for their Annual Grand Convocation. It is planned for the Officers of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia to confer the Order of High Priesthood degree, The Traveling Redcoats will also travel to Nova Scotia to attend.

Grand Scribe Archie Bethard, representing the Grand Chapter of Delaware, congratulated the candidates and offered brief remarks.

There being no further business to claim the attention of the Most Excellent President, the Convention was closed in Ample Form at 9:20

P.M., by Most Excellent President Thomas. After which the Excellent Companions repaired to the Bedford Club for refreshments and fellowship.

Attest:

Richard W. Garland, PGHP

Excellent Recorder

Receipts: Fees -	\$100.00
Dues -	27.00

Disbursements: Refreshments - \$18.00

### **PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL CONVENTION OF THE ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD**

On Tuesday, February 6, 2001, a Special Convention of the Order of High Priesthood of the State of Delaware was convened at 6:45 P.M. in the Masonic Temple, Georgetown, Delaware, to anoint, consecrate and set apart to the Holy Order of High Priesthood, Companion John W. Merkley who had been duly elected to preside over Hope Chapter No.7. Assisted by PHP Charles J., Conley and PGHP C. Granville McVey, Most Excellent President Donald D. Thomas, PGHP, opened the Convention in short form. The ceremony was also conducted in short form with the provision the Companion Merkley attend the Annual Convention of the Order of High Priesthood so that he might witness the conferral in full form. After the obligation, High Priest J.B. Walsh presented Companion Merkley with his Bible and membership card. PHP Samuel L. Mellin made appropriate and moving remarks while introducing Companion Merkley to those in attendance. Companion Merkley responded in kind. No further business claiming the attention of the Order it was closed at 7:15 P.M.

Receipts: Fees - \$25.00



**REPORT OF THE TREASURER  
ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD OF DELAWARE  
DECEMBER 29, 1999**

Checking Account		
Beginning Balance - December 29, 1999		\$146.98
Transfer to Savings Account 12/15/00		146.98
Ending balance - December 27, 2000		0
Savings Account #400-267213		
Beginning Balance - December 29, 1999		\$570.90
Receipts - Fees 12/29/99	125.00	
- Donations/Dues 12/29/99	26.25	
Interest - December 31, 1999	10.77	
Transfer from Checking Account	<u>146.98</u>	
Total to Account For	\$879.90	
Expenditures		
Cash - Refreshments	14.25	
Ending balance - December 27,2000		\$865.65
Certificate of Deposit #496260647		
Beginning Balance - December 29, 1999		\$2,107.46
Interest to date 2000		164.45
Ending Balance – December 27, 2000		\$2,271.91

**BALANCE SHEET**

	12/29/99	12/27/00	Diff.
<b>Assets</b>			
Checking Account	\$ 146.98	0	(\$146.98)
Savings Account	\$ 570.90	\$ 865.65	\$294.75
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 2,107.46	\$ 2,271.91	\$164.45
Bibles (21)	<u>\$ 467.00</u>	(16) <u>\$ 356.00</u>	<u>(\$111.00)</u>
Total	\$ 3,292.34	\$ 3,493.56	\$201.22
<b>Liabilities</b>			
	0.00	0.00	0.00
Net Worth	\$ 3,292.34	\$ 3,493.56	\$201.22

Fraternally submitted,

Wayne M. Schutz, PGHP,  
Excellent Treasurer

### MASONIC CALENDAR

Ancient Craft Masons commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it ANNO LUCIS (A.L.), "in the year of light." Add 4000 years to the common era. Thus  $2002 + 4000 = 6002$ .

Scottish Rite, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish Chronology is used, ANNO MUNDI (A.M.), "in the year of the world." Add 3760 years to the common era. Thus  $2002 + 3760 = 5762$ . After September add another year.

Royal Arch Masons date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, ANNO INVENTIONIS (A.I.), "in the year of discovery." Add 530 years to the common era. Thus  $2002 + 530 = 2532$ .

Cryptic Rite (Royal and Select Masters) dates from the year in which the temple was completed, ANNO DEPOSITIONIS (A. Dep.), "in the year of the deposit." Add 1000 years to the common era. Thus  $2002 + 1000 = 3002$ .

Knights Templar commence their era with the organization of their order, ANNO ORDINIS (A.O.), "in the year of the order." From the Christian era take 1118. Thus  $1118$  from  $2002 = 884$ .

Order of High Priesthood dates from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest, Melchizedek. ANNO BENEFACITOR (A.B.), "in the year of the blessing." To the Common era add 1913. Thus  $2002 + 1913 = 3915$ .