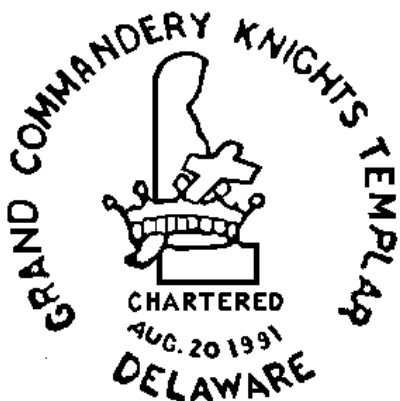


**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND COMMANDERY
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
OF DELAWARE**



**AT ITS
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION
HELD AT THE MASONIC TEMPLE
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE
MARCH 13, 2009, AO 891**

Jay C Bergstrom
RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER
2008-2009
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THE GRAND COMMANDERY
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF DELAWARE

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Delaware reconvened at the Masonic Temple, 818 Market St., Wilmington, Delaware, on Friday, March 13, 2009, A.O. 891 at 1:00 PM by Right Eminent Grand Commander Jay C. Bergstrom for the purpose of conducting the affairs of the 18th Annual Conclave. The following officers were in their respective stations:

R.E. Grand Commander	Jay C Bergstrom
V.E. Deputy Grand Commander	Charles T Hart
E. Grand Generalissimo	Wayne T Slack
E. Grand Captain General	John D Hiott
E. Grand Treasurer	Arthur A Loveless PGC
E. Grand Recorder	G. Thomas Taylor PGC
E. Grand Senior Warden	David H Laucius
E. Grand Junior Warden	A. Tony Maxwell
E. Grand Prelate	R. Nelson Biggs
E. Grand Standard Bearer	Gilbert Greenfield
E. Grand Sword Bearer	Maurice C Barnes
E. Grand Warder	John W Peronti
E. Grand Sentinel	Donald F Taylor

Eminent Sir Knight Nelson R Biggs offered prayer for the deliberations and wellbeing of the Grand Commandery, its officers, members and visitors. The Right Eminent Grand Commander then led the assembled Sir Knights in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL OF COMMANDERIES

ST. JOHN'S COMMANDERY NO. 1

A. Tony Maxwell Past Commander

ST. ANDREW'S COMMANDERY NO. 2

James G. Horn Past Commander
James B. Walsh Eminent Commander

TRINITY COMMANDERY NO. 3

James R. Brittingham Eminent Commander

Upon motion made, seconded, and approved, all Sir Knights in good standing were admitted by courtesy. The Grand Recorder was ordered, at the will and pleasure of the Grand Commandery, to receive all reports not verbally presented, and to publish them in the Proceedings of this Conclave.

CORRESPONDENCE

Regrets that were received were reported.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

CONNECTICUT

William Barr GHP
Raymond Tomlinson

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

R.E. Robert B. Malwitz PGC

FLORIDA

E. Charles L. Hollinger DDC

MAINE

Nelson Pratt	GHP
Alexander Marusa	Gr Capt of the Host
Palmer Martin	PGHP
Dave Billings	DDGHP

MARYLAND

R.E. Patrick Curtis	GC
V.E. Tom Heimiller	DGC
E. Royce Watson	JGW

NEW JERSEY

R.E. Michael F. Lakat GC
E. Barry R. Ballario GSB

NORTH CAROLINA

R. E. Fred Whitty GC
E. Dale Davis GSB

ONTARIO

R.E. David Hardie PGFP
S.K. Don Kline PGFP
Brian Cunningham Grand First Principal

PENNSYLVANIA

R.E. John Lewis Northeast Dept. Commander
V.E. Bryan R. Berry GC
R.E. David L. Kempfer PGC
E. John K. March GSW

RHODE ISLAND

R.E. Ray Hassell PGC
Marc Paul PIGM

VIRGINIA

R.E. Francis M. McGrath GC
E. Phillip E. Maybery GCG

MID-ATLANTIC DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Vaughn Shafer Dept. Commander
Sid R Dorris Grand Captain General

KNIGHT COMMANDER OF THE TEMPLE

R.E.C. Granville McVey, KCT, PGC,
R.E. Donald D. Thomas, KCT PGC
R. E. James A. Pletz, KCT, PGC

KNIGHT TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS OF DELAWARE

R.E. G. Thomas Taylor	R. E. Charles A. Depfer
R.E. James R. Herrington	R.E. Mark E. Irwin
R.E. Arthur A. Loveless	R.E. James A. Pletz
R.E. Donald D. Thomas	

GRAND LODGE OF DELAWARE

M.W. Herbert J. Atkinson, PGM	M.W. James A. Pletz, PGM
M. W. Donald D. Thomas, PGM	R.W. John W. Peronti, SGW
R.W. Eugene R. Small, DGS	

GRAND ENCAMPMENT

Sir Knight Vaughn F. Shafer, Right Eminent Department Commander of the Mid-Atlantic Department Commander and Sir Knight Sid C Dorris, Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America and Personal Representative of Most Eminent Grand Master William H. Koon, II were received, and escorted into the Asylum and to the foot of the line, where they were received and escorted to the East by Grand Commander Bergstrom. Sir Knight Dorris was presented the Sword of Authority to rule over the Grand Conclave. The Grand Generalissimo thanked the Grand Commander for that opportunity, but preferred, for the moment, to step aside and allow Grand Commander Bergstrom to rule and govern his Grand Conclave.

RECEPTION OF GRAND MASTER

Right Worshipful John W. Peronti, Senior Grand Warden of Masons in Delaware was recognized by Grand Commander Bergstrom. RW Brother Peronti extended sincere fraternal greetings to the visiting Sir Knights and welcomed all to the First State.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

On direction of the Grand Commander, the Grand Representatives arose, and were greeted by the Right Eminent Grand Commander.

REPORT OF THE GRAND COMMANDER

Good Afternoon and welcome to our Grand Master, Most Worshipful James E Willey, Jr., Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo SK Sid C Dorris III, Mid-Atlantic Department Commander SK Vaughn F Shafer, REDC, visiting Grand Commanders and their entourages, Delaware's Past Grand Commanders, the Officers and the Grand Commandery of Delaware, Sis Knights visiting from our Sister Commandery's, Commanders, Sir Knights and any other assorted guests.

I feel that as I age, the years seem to fly by with ever increasing quickness. This past year has been one of extraordinary trials and also great fun. Soon after the conclusion of our 2008 festivities, I traveled to Washington, DC to attend their Grand Commandery's session. A discussion concerning the values of Truth and Knowledge was initiated by SK Paul Gleason, PGC. It fell to me as the "Baby" visiting Grand Commander to offer the response. This reminded me of the two stars that adorn the fleur-de-lis symbol of the Boy Scouts of America. I inquired, and by a show of hands, was pleased to see that a great majority of those present had been scouts. I consider it a blessing that many of our brothers also devote volunteer hours to the development of our young men through scouting. One quote that has remained lodged in my memory is from Madeleine L'Engle in her book, An Acceptable Time,

"Truth is eternal, knowledge is changeable. It is disastrous to confuse them."

To me, this helps to separate these two nouns that, at first blush, seem synonymous. Our God is the only source of truth as He is eternal. Knowledge is man's observations of the universe and his application of scientific method to understand the world in which he lives. As we know, one generation stands on the shoulders of the previous and our knowledge increases. Nano-technology will soon redefine structures of materials and the physicists will soon look for the "God particle" that was present at the Big Bang. That thought trail leads us to a discussion of the Book of Genesis and the Big Bang Theory, better left for later over cocktails.

I also enjoyed the hospitality and companionship offered by the Grand Commandery's of Virginia and Maryland, and wish to thank them once again for their efforts. Due to the suspension of our Grand Recorder, I was unable to visit with North Carolina and

West Virginia. The ripple effect of this disruption was felt throughout all the bodies of the York Rite here in Delaware. However, as they say, challenges bring opportunities. The records of the bodies are being converted to electronic form, which should make the publication of these and some past proceedings easier. I will continue to assist in facilitating this conversion especially for those who are somewhat new computer users.

I visited all subordinate Commandery's and had various parts in the conferring of the Orders. We had a good year of knightings, but death continues to outpace us. Membership presentations were the program of the night at several Blue Lodges this year. We have a group who have concluded their Chapter degrees and the Council degrees will be conferred in a couple of weeks. We look forward to their reception of the Orders afterwards. This reminds me of the fact that some of our beloved Past Commanders and Past Grand Commanders have announced their well earned retirement from the ritual teams. This Grand Commandery has been blessed with their outstanding work, and I thank them all for the Light that they dispensed on me and my family personally. Debts of this magnitude will take years to repay, if ever. Knowing full well that a burden, even one of joy and satisfaction can never be truly laid down; it must be lifted from your brother's shoulders. I hereby pledge to do my part in lifting these weighty responsibilities, and urge my fraters to do as well.

One special, noteworthy, congratulation goes to SK Chester Coffin PC of St. Andrew's Commandery. During our official visit, the downstate chapters of DeMolay presented him with a certificate commemorating eighty years of service in DeMolay. I continue to be amazed by him and I only hope to fare as well later in life.

I only issued the one General Order concerning dispensations.

SK Wallace Eugene Mayberry, Jr. P.C., was appointed to be the representative of the GC of DE near the GC of VA. SK Cory R Lein, was appointed to be the representative of the GC of DE near the GC of ND.

I attended the Mid-Atlantic Department Conference, both sessions of the Grand Lodge of Delaware and Brotherhood Night.

We did not send a minister to the Holy Land Pilgrimage this year. The forms were hand delivered to the minister, but were not returned before the deadline set by Grand Encampment.

The general state of the Grand Commandery is improving. We have garnered several new Sir Knights from the Grand Chapter festival and the more recently concluded Chapter degrees. The Grand Recorder informs us that our net loss of membership was only two this year. The Grand Treasurer informs us that we are still solvent. Our outreach to perspective candidates will be ongoing through up coming events such as the Delta Chapter Family Dinner in June. Communications between Bodies continues to improve as they drag themselves into the 20th Century, slowly but surely.

Recommendations:

1. Continue our individual efforts promoting York Rite Masonry to our Blue Lodge brothers and offer to present a night of program for the Masters. Only by exposure will we be known.
2. Electronic communication is one of the best methods to contain costs throughout all of our bodies. However, it is effective only when the recipient can open the file sent along with the email. To achieve this goal, I strongly urge each of you to adopt FOSS solutions for your work in distributing documents, spreadsheets, photos, etc.. The best part it is free, as in beer!
3. Alas, I fear that the time has come to impose a small assessment on the membership to help defray the cost of this weekend. Cost containment has been practiced by the committee at every juncture and I see no other workaround.

I dismiss the committees with great thanks for all the work performed by each and every one of you. I am deeply indebted to SK Tony Maxwell for his work as Permanent Member of the York Rite Bodies Weekend committee. SK Art Loveless, MIGM, SK Richard Hoffman, GHP, and SK James Herrington, PGC and SK Robert Benson, PC all deserve a hearty thank you from all of us here. Last but never least, Grand Ladies MaryBeth, Elenor, and Jo-anne are thanked for their efforts beyond the usual call of duty.

If there is anything that we can do for the comfort and accommodation of our guests, please let us know.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jay C. Bergstrom
Grand Commander

On motion regularly made, seconded and approved, the Report of the Grand Commander was received and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

This report will consist of some figures and a few comments. The detailed figures and account numbers are available and will be printed in the proceedings of this Grand Conclave. The financial net worth of this Grand Commandery, including all of the seven accounts, as of 1/31/2009 is \$28,975.35, compared to \$28,655.21. All normal expenses were paid within this fiscal year. The CD accounts have not made any gains during the year as the interest rates have remained low. I thank the members of this Grand Commandery for allowing me to serve as Treasurer.

2008 GRAND COMMANDERY

BALANCE	CHECKING	IMMA SAVINGS	FLEX CD TRANS	P.F. SAVINGS
1/31/08	\$4510.01	\$1974.70	\$8,000.00	\$1917.87
WITHDRAW	0	0	0	0
OPEN CK.	0	0	0	0
DEPOSIT	\$50	432.00	0	\$375.34
INT. TRF.	0	\$332.24	0	0
INTEREST	0	\$6.21	0	\$3.49
TRANS	0	0	0	487.58
INTEREST	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	\$4560.01	\$2745.15	\$8,000.00	\$2784.28
DISBURSE				
BANQUET	\$672.35	0	0	0
OP.EXP.	\$750.90	0	0	0
EYE FNDRN	0	0	0	0
TRANS TO	0	0	0	0
SERV. CRG.	0	\$46	0	0
PERM FUND	0	0	0	0
CD	0	0	0	0
HOLY LAND	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES.	\$399.00	0	0	0
TOTALS	\$1,822.25	0	0	0
1/31/2009	\$2,737.76	\$2,699.15	\$8,000.00	\$2,784.28

BALANCE	P.F. CD	HOLY LAND	BIBLE FUND	TOTAL
1/31/08	\$10,000.00	\$1,439.11	\$813.	\$28,655.21
WITHDRAW	0	0	0	0
OPEN CK.	0	0	0	0
DEPOSIT	\$0	\$444.33	53.33	0
INT. TRF.	0	0	0	0
INTEREST	0	\$2.58	\$1.97	0
TRANS	\$0		0	0
INTEREST	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	\$10,000.00	\$1,886.02	\$868.14	0
DISBURSE				
BANQUET	\$0	0	0	0
OP.EXP.	0	0	0	0
EYE FNDRN	0	0	0	0
TRANS TO	0	0	0	0
CHECKING	0	0	0	0
PERM FUND	0	0	0	0
CD	0	0	0	0
HOLY LAND	0	0	0	0
OPEN CK.	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	0	0	0	0
1/31/2009	\$10,000.00	\$1,886.02	\$868.14	\$28,975.35

I move that this report be received, printed in the proceedings of this Grand Conclave, and referred to the Finance Committee for their actions.

Respectfully submitted,
Arthur A Loveless, PGC, Grand Treasurer

On motion regularly made, seconded and approved, the Report of the Grand Treasurer was received and referred to the Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER

It is unnecessary to reiterate the financial figures as they are detailed in the Grand Treasurer’s report.

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

<u>COMM</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>KT</u>	<u>REIN</u>	<u>AFFIL</u>	<u>DEMI</u>	<u>SUSP</u>	<u>DIED</u>	<u>END</u>
No. 1	141	3	0	0	2	2	6	134
No. 2	117	7	1	1	1	0	4	124
NO. 3	37	0	16	1	0	19	0	35
TOTAL	295	10	17	2	3	21	10	293
NET								
LOSS	2							

I assumed the position of Grand Recorder in August 2008 under very unusual circumstances. The turmoil created by the removal of our previous Grand Recorder resulted ia a period of transition which has been trying. "...all men err and erring need repentance." I ask and thank you for your patience and forgiveness. I would like to thank Past Grand Commanders Irwin and Thomas for their support and assistance.

Fraternally submitted,
G. Thomas Taylor, PGC

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

The Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee did not send a minister on the pilgrimage this year. Forms were presented to several ministers but none accepted our offer for 2009.

If you know of a worthy Minister who would like to go to the Holy Lane, please let this Committee know. The Grand Commandery of Delaware is still asking for your monetary support. We will be sending out our regular appeal later this year.

Fraternally submitted,
G. Thomas Taylor PGC, Chairman

CONTINUANCE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

The Grand Recorder regularly moved, and it was duly seconded, that this Grand Commandery, in conjunction with the other York Rite Bodies meeting this weekend, continues with the Liability Insurance coverage program. The cost will be \$46.00 per Commandery.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

NO REPORT

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The investment market for the funds of the Educational Foundation continues to be very difficult. We continue to restrict the investments to very secured markets which, this year, has turned out to be a wise decision. The net investments of the fund at the beginning of the calendar year 2008 were slightly over \$58,000.00. Continued investment of our approximately \$54,000.00 in a CD raised income slightly over \$2,200.00.

As has been the custom of this Committee for the past several years, and in full compliance with the Grand Encampment rules governing the disbursements of moneys from this Fund, we have provided Grants, out of these current earnings, to:

- Delaware DeMolay - \$500.00
- Delaware Job's Daughters - \$500.00

Overall our expenditures to the worthwhile organizations noted were \$1000.00 enabling us to thus increase our investment portfolio to offset the very poor returns we will realize on the investment this year. Our net worth has remained effectively constant this year at about \$59,000.00

I again acknowledge that we have a fairly new Grand Recorder at Grand Encampment, and he obviously needs time to become accustomed to his new duties and responsibilities. I would note, however, that we have directed several inquiries to his office, which still remain unanswered. Of particular concern, is a recent request from the IRS for filing of tax information. This information, in the past, has always been provided by Grand Encampment. We patiently await guidance and direction from Grand Encampment.

The annual budget for this year shows a small expenditure of monies for postage. For the 15 years that I have been Treasurer/Secretary for the Foundation, they have not experienced any charges for operational purposes. With the continued increase in postal rates, and the obvious affluent position of the Grand Encampment Educational Foundation, it is time to charge them for their expenses.

The expected income from investments this year will probably be about \$2000.00, which will be distributed, as needed, to worthwhile Delaware activities. Once again, because of the small amount of money involved in this Fund, we recommend that the officers need not be bonded.

I would again this year continue to suggest to you, my Fraters, that this plan, initiated 15 years ago, is working very well and you as Sir Knights of this Jurisdiction can take great pride in your support of the programs being assisted by this Foundation. I therefore personally commend and salute you.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
Donald D. Thomas, PGC, KCT
Secretary/Treasurer, Educational Foundation

I move for the acceptance of this Report, its recommendation and the proposed budget.

PERMANENT FUND COMMITTEE

A united effort of the following members of this committee consisting of John Dorsey, Archie Bethard, Maurice Barnes, John Hiott, and Donald Thomas raised a sum of \$360.00 thru the sale of raffle tickets with proceeds to be divided equally between the Permanent Funds of Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery. The following is a breakdown of this money:

Collected	\$360.00
Expenses (tickets)	- <u>14.00</u>
	\$346.00
Prize money(4 winners--\$25 ea)	- <u>100.00</u>
	\$246.00
1-winning ticket donated back	+ <u>25.00</u>
divide by 3	<u>\$271.00</u>
amount for each body	\$ 90.33

Respectfully submitted,
 John Dorsey, Archie Bethard, Maurice Barnes, John Hiott, and
 Donald Thomas

2006 GRAND YORK RITE ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE

Beginning bank balance	\$2,137.44
Deposits	5,750.00
Expenses	7,012.52
Less hotel deposit for 2007	500.00
Balance including \$500 advanced by Grand Council	\$ 874.92

Amount to be reimbursed from Grand Bodies to return total to \$1,600.00.

Grand Chapter	\$ 796.03
Grand Council	660.89
Grand Commandery	733.83
Expected balance	\$1,690.75

Sincerely and fraternally,
James R. Herrington, PIGM, and GYR Weekend Treasurer

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Sir Knight A Tony Maxwell having been nominated by St. John's Commandery #1, SK Maxwell's home Commandery, has been recommended for the Knight Templar Cross of Honor. The Grand Encampment College of Honors reviewed the recommendation and has awarded Sir Knight Maxwell the KTCH.

For the Committee
R>E> G. Thomas Taylor PGC

**JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE
REPORT OF THE GRAND COMMANDER
REPORT OF THE JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE**

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the report of the Right Eminent Grand Commander and has the following report.

We are most appreciative to the 3 sister jurisdictions that extended their hospitality to our Grand Commander. We note that there was a disruption in correspondence that caused the Grand Commander to miss the other 2 conclaves. Although the invitations are sent to the Grand Recorder, we urge the Grand

Commander to view the posted schedules of our sister jurisdictions that can be found on the web and through other sources so that inquiry can be made of the invitations. We are pleased to note that the records of the Grand Commandery are being converted to electronic form to provide for ease of publication in the future.

We are pleased that the Grand Commander made visits to all the constituent Commanderys and that he also participated in the conferral of several of the orders.

We are also pleased that our Grand Commander was able to participate in the recognition of Past Commander Chester Coffin's 80 years of service to DeMolay at his official visit to St. Andrew's Commandery.

Our Grand Commander has challenged the members of Grand Commandery to participate in the Easter Sunrise Service in Alexandria and we concur with his efforts and thank him for his representation.

Our Grand Commander had only one General Order this year dealing with the officers, committees and visitation schedule for this year. The Committee finds this is proper order and concurs with it.

Two Grand Representatives were appointed by the Grand Commander. We appreciate his attention to this very important means of fraternal exchange between Grand Commandery's.

We appreciate the Grand Commander attending various functions throughout the state and representing Templary to others. It was also important for our Grand Commander to attend the Department Conference and we are sure that the exchange of information will benefit him and this Grand Commandery.

It is encouraging to see the increase in knighting this year and if this trend can be continued the decline in membership may be reversed. The continued out reach that our Grand Commander is supporting in the Blue Lodge and Chapter should help make this reversal possible.

Our Grand Commander has made 3 recommendations and the Committee concurs with these however, they require no action by this Grand Commandery.

The first dealing with promoting the York Rite in the Blue Lodge is essential.

The second dealing with standardizing the sharing of electronic data can be initiated by the Grand Recorder's office and we encourage him to work toward that end.

Our Grand Commander has recommended an assessment on the membership to defray the cost of the Grand Sessions. A resolution has been passed in Grand Commandery and Grand Council authorizing a \$.50 per capita assessment for this purpose. All that is required is for this to be passed in Grand Chapter. There are those who will contend that the Grand York Rite Committee is required to make the weekend's activities a revenue neutral event. I would point out that the committee has done this successfully contrary to protests by some. Revenue neutral does not mean that each of the Grand Bodies pay nothing but rather that they pay their fair share for their visitors. This has been done, however the rising costs are making the prices prohibitive and our attendance at the banquet and other activities is declining among our membership. Without the small subsidy from each of the bodies, we fear this trend may continue. We strongly urge the Grand Chapter to consider passing the resolution.

The Committee thanks the Grand Commander for his service this past year. We had hoped to have more time to review the address and ask that the incoming Grand Commander plan to have his draft address to the committee 30 days in advance.

We appreciate the efforts of our Grand Commander's lady MaryBeth for keeping him straight and for her efforts in making this weekend a success. Our congratulations to you, Right Eminent, for representing us this past chivalric year.

As the Bible says, "Through God all things are possible" and we know that through God we will be able to bring more Christian Masons to our Commandery's.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Mark Irwin, PGC– Chairman
Arthur Loveless, PGC
Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., PGC

Administrative Matters

At the 1999 Sessions a proposal was made to establish a Permanent Fund for the Grand Commandery. In reviewing the 2000 proceedings, there was no record of this Standing Resolution being adopted. The fund has been in place since that time and in order to add the resolution the Committee recommends the adoption of the following:

Grand Commandery of Delaware Permanent Fund

1. This Fund shall be known as the Grand Commandery of Delaware Permanent Fund.
2. The purpose of this Fund is to assist in offsetting the expenses of the Annual Conclave and the Right Eminent Grand Commander during his term of office.
3. The principal of this fund may not be spent and must remain for growth. The investment income may be used only in accordance with No.4 below.
4. When the Fund reaches the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5000.00), 50% of the annual investment income may be spent; 25% annually and 25% accumulated for three years to assist in offsetting the cost of attending the Triennial Sessions of the Grand Encampment by the Right Eminent Grand Commander or his designated Proxy. When the Fund accumulates to ten thousand dollars

(\$10,000.00), 75% of the annual investment income may be spent; 50% annually and 25% accumulated for three years to assist in offsetting the cost of attending the Triennial Sessions of the Grand Encampment by the Right Eminent Grand Commander or his designated Proxy. At no time, regardless of how large the fund grows, can more than 75% of the annual investment income be spent. There must always be 25% of the annual investment income rolled over into the fund for growth.

5. This Fund shall be managed by a committee of three (3) Sir Knights, from the Constituent Commandery's, to serve staggered terms of three years each. The Grand Treasurer shall be ex-officio member of this committee responsible for the accountability of the Fund and the disbursement of any monies from the Fund.
6. The incoming Grand Commander shall appoint one (1) Sir Knight, to serve a three year term on this Committee.
7. The Committee members shall select a Chairman from its members.
8. The Committee's duties shall be:
 - A. Devise, and see implemented, ways to raise money for the Fund.

B. Prudently invest the proceeds of the Fund in the best interest of the Grand Commandery of Delaware.

C. Prepare an annual report of the progress of the Fund to be presented at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Delaware.

9. There is no requirement that investment income be spent each year. Further, it may only be used for the purposes designated herein.

10. Expenditures from this Fund can only be made following written request for same which clearly identifies the basis and reason for the disbursement. These disbursements cannot exceed the fair and reasonable expense for the purposes so designated.

11. Each incoming Grand Commander is encouraged to have his own program to assist in raising money for the Fund.

We move for its adoption. *Approved*

The Committee would like to report that the Constitution and Standing Resolutions were updated to reflect all of the changes since 1999 that were not previously incorporated. The Standing Resolutions were renumbered to reflect the order of adoption.

At the 2008 Annual Conclave the

following legislation was proposed:

Amend Article VII Section 1 by adding, following
14. Deputy Grand Recorder
15. *Grand Quartermaster*

Amend Article VII by adding a Section 3 to read:

The Quartermaster for Grand Commandery should maintain and secure an inventory of all items belonging to Grand Commandery and who is in possession of each item. Any individual borrowing property belonging to Grand Commandery should sign for each item and it should be clearly communicated that the property is to be returned in good order when the borrower is finished with the item.

These amendments had their first reading last year. The Committee recommends adoption and moves for its adoption.
Approved

Also at the 2008 conclave the following was proposed.

AMEND: Article X Eligibility to Office

ADD: *Section 2. No Knight Templar shall be eligible to any elected office in this Grand Commandery unless he shall have attended at least one Leadership Training*

The committee after further discussion has determined that this amendment is unclear and difficult to enforce and therefore do not recommend it being adopted although we do feel it is essential that all officers avail themselves of any training offered. Recent years have shown that our Leadership is unaware of many of their responsibilities. This trend needs to be corrected for the survivability of all our bodies. In addition no Grand Commandery may put

restrictions on the election of the Grand Commander as this would violate the Grand Encampment Constitution and Statutes. Due to this the Jurisprudence Committee withdraws the amendment.

Also brought up at the 2008 conclave was a proposal to rotate the time of the annual sessions for the various Grand Bodies, although no record is contained in the proceedings. The Committee has reviewed this proposal and does not recommend adopting this change for the following reasons:

The Knights Templar Feast held by St. John's Commandery on Thursday night draws visitors from other jurisdictions, but if Grand Commandery were held on Saturday a possible loss of visitors could occur, since they would require an extra day's Hotel reservations.

With the Grand Commandery of North Carolina having their Grand Sessions on Sunday following Delaware's, visiting Grand Commander's would be hard pressed to make both Conclaves.

In addition, rotating of the sessions to different days makes it difficult for our visitors to know for certain when we meet.

For these reasons the committee does not support this change. *Not approved*

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Mark Irwin, PGC– Chairman
Arthur Loveless, PGC
Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., PGC

FINANCE COMMITTEE

NO REPORT

There was no budget submitted.

RECOGNITION OF THE R.E. VAUGHN F. SHAFER MID-ATLANTIC DEPARTMENT COMMANDER

Sir Knight Vaughn Shafer, Mid-Atlantic Department Commander, graciously addressed the Sir Knights assembled, and extended his congratulations to this Grand Commandery on the conduct of its Grand Session. He commended the Red Cords for their fine attendance at this session and looked forward to their continued participation in all future Annual Conclaves.

RECOGNITION OF THE R.E. SID C. DORRIS GRAND GENERALISSIMO, GRAND ENCAMPMENT

Sir Knight Sid C. Dorris, Grand Generalissimo and Personal Representative of Most Eminent Grand Master William H. Koon, II, warmly addressed the fraters present and extended his sincere congratulations to the Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Delaware for their attentiveness to the duties of Chivalric Masonry. He brought the fraternal best wishes of Most Eminent Grand Master Koon to the Grand Commandery who joined him in congratulating Eminent Commander Bergstrom for his stewardship and leadership of this Grand Commandery this past year. He then shared with all the many strengths aof the Grand Encampment leadership team; the positive steps being taken at the Knight Templar Magazine; and the status of the York Rite Membership System. GG Dorris presented the Grand Encampment Goals for 2009. He closed by saying that in order to be successful we need to remember.... "its not about me but it is about we.". He then cordially thanked the Sir Knights of Delaware for their gracious hospitality.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The nominees for the next Chivalric Year are:

Grand Commander	S.K. Charles T Hart
Deputy Grand Commander	S.K. Wayne T. Slack
Grand Generalissimo	S.K. John D. Hiott
Grand Captain General	S.K. David H. Laucius
Grand Treasurer	S.K. Arthur A Loveless, Jr., PGG
Grand Recorder	S.K. G. Thomas Taylor, PGC

For the committee,
Arthur A. Loveless, PGC

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEES

There being no further Committee reports upon the Recorder's desk which required reading before this Grand Commandery, Right Eminent Grand Commander Taylor discharged all the Committees of this Grand Commandery with the sincere thanks of the Fraters of this Grand Commandery.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

R.E. Donald D. Thomas assumed the East as Grand Installing Officer and, assisted by R.E. James A. Pletz as Grand Marshal, proceeded to install a full line of Grand Officers as noted below, said installation to be effective as of 12:01 AM, Saturday, March 14, 2009.

R.E. Grand Commander	Charles T. Hart
V.E. Deputy Grand Commander	Wayne T. Slack
E. Grand Generalissimo	John D. Hiott
E. Grand Captain General	David H. Laucius
E. Grand Senior Warden	A. Tony Maxwell
E. Grand Junior Warden	James G Horn
E. Grand Prelate	Robert A Benson
R. E. Grand Treasurer	Arthur A. Loveless, PGC
R.E. Grand Recorder	G. Thomas Taylor, PGC
R.E. Deputy Grand Recorder	Mark E Irwin PGC
E. Grand Standard Bearer	Jon B Cottrell
E. Grand Sword Bearer	Maurice C. Barnes
E. Grand Warder	Donald F. Taylor
E. Grand Sentinel	James L Ferguson KTCH

REMARKS BY INCOMING R.E. GRAND COMMANDER HART

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Right Eminent Past Grand Commanders, Past Eminent Commanders, Sir Knights all:

I am so full of anticipation that I must tell you my hopes and dreams for this coming year and what I will be requiring from our Commandery's. My theme is Pride, Proficiency and Progress.

First I'd like to express what an honor it is for me to serve as Grand Commander of the State of Delaware. I want to thank my installing officers, REPGC Donald D> Thomas and REPGC James A. Pletz. I also want to thank those brothers that have supported, listened, and guided me along the way. I am proud and will do my best to serve Knights Templar.

Every year, the new Right Eminent Grand Commander stands in front of this assembly and says "This year I am looking forward to having all Sir Knights bring in new members." This year is no different and will be my first goal. My second goal is to see that every Sir Knight knows their work. To achieve this, every officer in the line will be issued a copy of the Constitution of The Grand Commandery and the by-laws of the Commandery. Each and every officer will be required to obtain a book of ritual from their recorders. He will be responsible to learn work for the station he is occupying and should learn the opening and closing ritual work for the station he is occupying and should learn the station he will be advancing to next year. No Officer will advance until proficiency has been proven and the Sir Knight has been signed off by the Grand Instructor as per By-laws.

Charities supported by the Commandery's are the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and the Holy Land Pilgrimage. I will continue to promote these two charities.

My project this year will be to collect scrap to be turned in for cash to benefit the Permanent Fund of the Grand Commandery of Delaware. Aluminum, brass, copper, and bottles that have a deposit in Delaware. Whoever has access to any scrap can call me so I can make arrangements to have it picked up.

Templary in Delaware is slowly getting younger. The Sir Knights entering are younger and the Older Sir Knights are going to their heavenly headquarters. We, who have stood and kept the line straight and strong, must now pass on to our successors the Orders of the Day. It is up to those successors to carry on the Templar traditions with honor and pride. Their ability to keep the

line straight and strong will depend on the way we have done our job.

Sir Knights, passing on only that which is good and true in Templary, will make that which we love continue for time eternal. SO MOTE IT BE

OFFICIAL VISITATIONS TO CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES

St. John's No. 1, Wilmington	Thursday, October 9, 2009
St. Andrew's No. 2, Dover	Thursday, September 17, 2009
Trinity No. 3, Wilmington	Tuesday, October 29, 2009

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Jurisprudence

Donald D Thomas, KCT, PGC
Mark E. Irwin, PGC
Arthur A. Loveless, PGC

Finance

A. Tony Maxwell
James A Pletz, KCT, PGC

Ritual and Drill

Captains General

Religious Activity

R. Nelson Biggs
Gilbert Greenfield
Robert A. Benson

Easter Sunrise Service

Jay C. Bergstrom, PGC
G. Thomas Taylor, PGC
Maurice C Barnes

K.T. Eye Foundation

Sheldon L. Edwards, PGC
Charles A. Depfer, PGC
David H. Laucius

K.T. Educational Foundation

C. Granville McVey, KCT, PGC
Donald D. Thomas, KCT, PGC

Grand York Rite Youth

Herbert P Fulmer
G. Thomas Taylor
Donald F Taylor

Awards

Arthur A Loveless, PGC
G. Thomas Taylor PGC
Jay C Bergstrom, PGC

Leadership and Education

Donald D Thomas, KCT, PGC
Maurice C Barnes
Jon B Cotrell

Membership

Charles T. Hart
Generalissimos

Special Projects

John B. Dorsey
Herbert J. Atkinson
Eugene R. Small

Permanent Fund

Wayne T Slack

James G Horn
John D. Hiott

Holy Land Pilgrimage
G. Thomas Taylor PGC
Jay C Bergstrom PGC
R. Nelson Biggs

GYR Annual Meeting

Robert A Benson
David H. Laucius
Arthur A. Loveless Jr., PGC

Knights Templar Insert

David H. Laucius
Wayne T Slack
John D. Hiott

GRAND INSTRUCTOR

Deputy John D Hiott
Deputy A. Tony Maxwell
Assistant James A Pletz, PGC, KCT

The 19th Annual Convocation will be held in Wilmington, Delaware at 1:00 PM, on Friday, March 12, 2010.

There being no further business to claim the attention of this Grand Commandery, the Grand Commander called to recess and the Sir Knights dismissed at 4:28 PM.

Attest:

Franklin R. Townsend, Grand Recorder

GRAND COMMANDERS

*Henry G. Law, 1991	*C. Ray Scarborough, 1992
Donald D. Thomas, 1993	C. Granville McVey, 1994
*Charles W. Barkins, 1995	*T. Eugene Womach, 1996
Franklin R. Townsend, 1997	James A. Pletz, 1998
Mark E. Irwin, 1999-2000	*Robert V. McDowell, III, 2000
Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., 2001	James R. Herrington, 2002
Charles H. Lengel, 2003	*Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., 2004
Arthur A. Loveless, Jr., 2005	Charles A. Depfer, 2006
G. Thomas Taylor, 2007	Jay C. Bergstrom 2008
Charles T Hart, 2009	

PAST GRAND GENERALISSIMO

Richard A. Scarlott, 1994-95

GRAND TREASURERS

*Harry V. Felmev, 1991-2	Richard A. Scarlott, 1992-4
Henry G. Law, 1994-5	Donald D. Thomas, 1995-6
C. Granville McVey, 1996-2001	G. Thomas Taylor, III, 2001-3
Richard A. Scarlott, 2003-2008	Arthur A. Loveless, PGC 2008 -

GRAND RECORDERS

C. Granville McVey, 1991-2	Henry G. Law, 1992-5
C. Granville McVey, 1995-6	Donald D. Thomas, 1996-2000
Mark E. Irwin, 2000-3	James T. Ruby, 2003-6
Franklin R. Townsend, 2006-8	G. Thomas Taylor 2008-

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

Under Grand Encampment

*F. Irving Crow, PC

Under Grand Commandery

Chester C. Coffin, PC, 1992	Franklin R. Townsend, PC, 1994
*James H. Hutchins, PC, 1996	*William J. Littel, PC, 1999
John Basil Dorsey, PC, 2001	*Charles J. Conley, PC, 2002
James L Ferguson, PC, 2004	A. Tony Maxwell, PC, 2008

KNIGHTS COMMANDERS OF THE TEMPLE

*Henry G. Law, PGC	C. Granville McVey, PGC
*C. Ray Scarborough, PGC	James A. Pletz, PGC
Donald D. Thomas, PGC	Richard A. Scarlott
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James A. Pletz	CALIFORNIA	Frederick L. Smith
Samuel L. Mellin	COLORADO	
Chester C. Coffin	CONNECTICUT	Harry Shank
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James A. Pletz	MAINE	Richard P. Day
	MARYLAND	Eugene D. Racz
	MASS - RI	John L. Berini
	MICHIGAN	Stanley O. Simons
	MINNESOTA	Thomas E. Bjerke
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Charles A. Depfer	MISSOURI	Chester H. Hazen
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Richard A. Scarlott	NEW HAMPSHIRE	Aldine Jack Tillotson
David Laucius	NEW JERSEY	Stephen Lutz
	NEW MEXICO	Robert Keene
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G. Thomas Taylor	NORTH CAROLINA	W. Frank Wood
Richard A. Scarlott	NORTH DAKOTA	Cory R. Lien
Mark E. Irwin	OHIO	
	OKLAHOMA	Glen Kinsley
Joseph P. Miller, Sr.	OREGON	Vernon O. Munson
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James R Herrington	TEXAS	Leonard O. Pierce
John D. Hiott	UTAH	Robert H. Cook
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Warren F. Schueler	WISCONSIN	George S. Boyd III
James R. Herrington	WYOMING	

RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES

ST. JOHN'S COMMANDERY NO. 1
WILMINGTON

Date of Charter: September 18, 1868

Stated Conclave: Second Thursday of each Month
Closed: July and August
OFFICERS

A. Tony Maxwell	Commander
Richard M. Bostic	Generalissimo
Lionel D. Hunter	Captain General
Kenneth Jaeger	Senior Warden
Bradley Driscoll	Junior Warden
Wayne T. Slack PC	Treasurer
Donald D Thomas, PGC, KCT	Recorder
James R Herrington, PGC	Prelate
Scott Lehman	Standard Bearer
Robert Lusk	Sword Bearer
Robert Noble	Warder
C. Granville McVey, PGC, KCT	Sentinel

KNIGHTED

REINSTATED

DEMITTED

Glen F Davis Vernon E Lee

SUSPENDED

Franklin R Townsend, PGC Wayne D Mower

DIED

Donald L Davis	Richard E Crozier
Harry M Miller, JR.	William Athen
Walter F. Lokey	William Bennett

ST. ANDREW'S COMMANDERY NO. 2
DOVER

Date of Charter: August 28, 1964

Stated Conclave: Third Friday of each Month
Closed: July and August

OFFICERS

James B. Walsh	Commander
Eugene Herr, PC	Generalissimo
John D Hiott, PC	Captain General
George E. Gadsby	Senior Warden
Eric J. Evans	Junior Warden
Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., PGC	Treasurer
John A. Eberly	Recorder
James L. Ferguson, PC, KTCH	Prelate
James T. Ruby, PC	Standard Bearer
Michael P. Pizzola	Sword Bearer
Christopher L. Dull	Warder
Donald F Taylor, PC	Sentinel

KNIGHTED

Michael Benton	Jason Leone	John Marinucci
Joseph Marvel	Jeffery Melvin	Jerome Passon
	Robert Williams	

REINSTATED
None

AFFILIATED
Eugene Herr, PC

DEMITTED

SUSPENDED
None

DIED

Haywood Buck	Edgar Harman
Richard Jerread	Robert Lomax

TRINITY COMMANDERY NO. 3
WILMINGTON

Date of Charter: August 19 1991
Stated Conclave: January, April, July and October

OFFICERS

James M. Brittingham	Commander
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Neal J. Sobocinski	Generalissimo
H. Richard Hoffman	Captain General
Terry C Martz	Senior Warden
Gary R Williamson	Junior Warden
James R. Herrington, PGC	Treasurer
Gilbert E. Greenfield, PC	Recorder
G. Thomas Taylor, PGC	Prelate
Cesar E. Aniceto	Standard Bearer
Charles T. Hart	Sword Bearer
Arthur A Loveless, Jr. PGC	Warder
Joint Board	Sentinel
	Guard
	Guard
	Guard

KNIGHTED

REINSTATED

Stephen P. Amato, Anthony B Battaglia, David R. Clements, Ronald L Dawson, Sean C.V. Haley, Jason T Hewes, Jeffery D Hewes, Clayton W. Hewes, IV, Clayton W. Hewes,Jr., Clayton W. Hewes,III, William W Jordan, Randall C Mullen, Andrew L. Parsons, Anthony J Suvie, Jr, Douglas A Twyford, Stephen P. Austin

AFFILIATED

Robert B Malwitz, PGC (DC)

DEMITTED

SUSPENDED

Stephen P Austin, Ronald L. Dawson, Herbert P. Fulmer, III, Sean G.V. Haley, James R Hanby, Sr., Edward C Herman, Clayton W. Hewes IV, Clayton W. Hewes III, Clayton W. Hewes Jr., Jason T Hewes, Jeffery D Hewes, H. Richard Hoffman, Andrew L Parsons, Horace G. Patterson, Richard G Pyle, Douglas A Twyford, Anthony B. Battaglia, Albert H. Westerside, Gary R. Williamson

DIED

MASONIC CALENDAR

Symbolic or 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 2000 plus 4000 becomes 6000. Symbolic Lodges hold *Communications*.

Capitular or 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 2000 plus 530 becomes 2530. Royal Arch Chapters hold *Convocations*.

Cryptic Rite or Royal and Select Masters date 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 2000 plus 1000 becomes 3000. Cryptic Councils hold *Assemblies*.

Chivalric Masons or Knights Templar commence their era with the organization of their order, *Anno Ordinis (A.O.)*. Take 1118 from the Christian era, thus 1118 from 2000 becomes 882. Commanderies of Knights Templar hold *Conclaves*.

The Order of High Priesthood dates from the Year of the Blessing of Abraham by the High Priest, Melchizedek, *Anno Benefacto (A.B.)*. Add 1913 to the Christian era, thus 2000 plus 1913 becomes 3913. Councils of Anointed High Priests hold *Conventions*.

Scottish Rite Masonry dates as the 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 2000 plus 3760 becomes 5760. After September add another year. Scottish Rite Consistories hold *Reunions* or *Ceremonials*.

Shrinedom, or Temples of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, marks time by cycles. Each 30 years from the Hegira of July 15, A.D. 622, constitute a cycle, in which 19 of the years contain 355 days and 11 years contain 356 days. Shrine Temples hold *Sessions*.

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The 19th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Delaware will be held in the Masonic Temple, 818 Market Street, Wilmington, DE, on Friday, March 12, 2010, at 1:00 PM.
