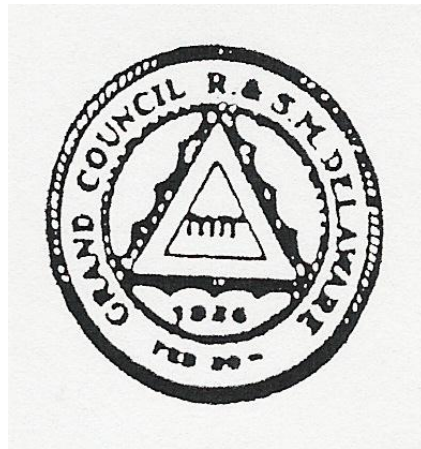


**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND COUNCIL
CRYPTIC MASONS
OF
DELAWARE**



**AT ITS
EIGHTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL ASSEMBLY
HELD AT THE
MASONIC TEMPLE
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE
MARCH 13, 2010, A.D. 3010, A. Dep.**



**MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER
JAMES B. WALSH**

**MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER
JAMES BRYSON WALSH**

Most Illustrious Walsh was born in the Memorial Hospital in Wilmington, Delaware. on August 20, 1942. He attended all elementary and high school at Fork Union Military Academy. For thirty years he ran the Anglers Restaurant in Lewes until May 1992. Since then he has been operating the Anglers Marina in Lewes.

Jay B. began his Masonic Journey when he was entered in Jefferson Lodge #15 in 1964. He served as Worshipful Master in 1988, and was appointed as Junior Grand Deacon by M. W. G. M. Herbert J. Atkinson in 1992. He is the grand Lodge Representative to British Columbia & the Yukon.

His York Rite career began when he was exalted in Hope Chapter No. 7, Georgetown in 1990. He served as Excellent High Priest 1995-99, and has served as Treasurer since 2000. Grand Chapter: has served several appointed positions since 1996. He is the Grand Representative to Michigan and Nova Scotia.

He was greeted in Joppa Council No. 3 in 1991 and was Illustrious Master in 2000, and has served as Treasurer since 2000. In Grand Council, he has served in many appointed positions since 2001 and was appointed Grand Captain of the Guard in 2006 and progressed through the line until he was installed Most Illustrious Grand Master in 2009. He is the Grand Representative to Ohio.

He was knighted in 1990 in St. Andrew's Commandry No. 2 Knights Templar and served as Eminent Commander in 2009 & 2010.

He is a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Wilmington where he joined in 1985 and became a member of the Valley of Lower Delaware in 2009.

Other York Rite Memberships:

Two by Two Lodge No. 15, Royal Ark Mariners

Delaware Council No. 18, Knight Masons

Blue Hen Council No. 388, Allied Masonic Degrees

First State York Rite College No. 45

Jessie Green Priory No. 70, Knights of the York Cross of Honour

Delaware Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine

Other Masonic Organizations: NUR Temple 1985 Past Director of
ROJ Ct. 164

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE
GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF DELAWARE**

The Eighty-Fourth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware was held at the Masonic Temple, 818 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, on Saturday, March 13, 2010, A. Dep. 3010. The Grand Council was opened at 9:00 A.M. by the Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master, Gilbert E. Greenfield with prayer by Grand Chaplain Eugene R. Small followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Most Illustrious Grand Master, James B. Walsh was then received into the Grand Assembly and afforded Grand Honors.

The following officers were in their respective stations:

GRAND OFFICERS

M.I. Grand Master	James B. Walsh
R.I. Deputy Grand Master	Gilbert E. Greenfield
R.I. Grand Principal Conductor of the Work	Robert A. Benson
M.I. Grand Treasurer	Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., MIPGM
M.I. Grand Recorder	Mark E. Irwin, MIPGM
I. Grand Chaplain	Eugene R. Small
I. Grand Captain of the Guard	James G. Horn
I. Grand Conductor of the Council	James T. Ruby
I. Grand Marshal	Herbert J. Atkinson
I. Grand Steward	Michael P. Pizzola
I. Grand Sentinel	Christian L. Dull

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS PAST GRAND MASTERS

Donald D. Thomas, 1985	C. Granville McVey, 1989
James A. Pletz, 1993	John B. Dorsey, 1996
Mark E. Irwin 1997	Franklin R. Townsend, 1998
Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., 1999	Wayne T. Slack, 2003
James R. Herrington, 2005	Charles T. Hart, 2006
Richard L. Weaver, 2007	Arthur A. Loveless, 2008

CONSTITUENT COUNCILS

GUNNING BEDFORD NO. 1

Jay C. Bergstrom
G. Thomas Taylor

Illustrious Master
Deputy Master

ADONIRAM COUNCIL NO. 2

Robert A. Benson, PIM

Illustrious Master

JOPPA COUNCIL NO. 3

James B. Walsh, MIGM

Past Illustrious Master

THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS COUNCIL NO. 4

Herbert J. Atkinson
James A. Pletz, MIPGM
C. Granville McVey, MIPGM

Illustrious Master
Deputy Master
Principal Conductor of the Work

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS

The Grand Recorder declared that a Constitutional number of Councils were represented, that a quorum had been established and this Grand Council could rightfully proceed with its labors.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, the reading of the Minutes of the 83rd Annual Assembly was dispensed with and they were approved as will be printed in the Proceedings.

RECEPTION OF REPORTS

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, the Grand Recorder was authorized to give Reports in brief, subject to the will and pleasure of the Most Illustrious Grand Master and Grand Council. Except as may be noted herein, all Reports were received, accepted and ordered to be printed in these Proceedings.

ADMISSION OF SELECT MASTERS

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, all Select Masters in good standing, as listed in the Grand Council Register, were admitted by courtesy.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

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

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

M.I. Alwyn B. Taylor	Most Illustrious Grand Master
M.I. Aires Domingues	Past Most Illustrious Grand Master
M.I. Robert B. Bussler	Past Most Illustrious Grand Master
R.I. Howard Coleman	Grand Recorder
Tom Staples	
M.E. Robert Starr	Grand High Priest

FLORIDA

M.I. Charles L. Hollinger	Past Most Illustrious Grand Master Grand Representative to Delaware
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MAINE

M.I. Robert Melanson	Most Illustrious Grand Master
M.E. Ernest A. Lowell	Grand High Priest

MARYLAND

M.I. Robert Malwitz	Past Most Illustrious Grand Master
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PENNSYLVANIA

M.P. Douglas D. Crum	Most Puissant Grand Master
M.E. John G. Lane	Grand High Priest

VERMONT

M.I. Douglas K. Boardman	Most Illustrious Grand Master
M.I. Russell J. Slora	Past Most Illustrious Grand Master

ONTARIO

M.I. Donald Kline	Past Most Illustrious Grand Master
M.I. David Hardie	Past Most Illustrious Grand Master

Most Illustrious Grand Master Walsh cordially greeted each of the visiting Companions. He stated that he had enjoyed his sojourns to sister jurisdictions and sincerely hoped that they would find their stay in Delaware as enjoyable. Cryptic Grand Honors were then afforded the visitors.

DELAWARE MASONIC LEADERS

The following Masonic leaders of Delaware were then presented at the Altar and introduced by MIPGM Mark E. Irwin.

M.E. James R. Herrington
Grand High Priest
Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Delaware
Prior, Jesse Green Priory No. 70, KYCH

S.K. Wayne T. Slack
Right Eminent Grand Commander
Grand Commandery K.T. of Delaware

K.C. Eugene R. Small
Puissant Sovereign
Delaware Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine

K.C. James A. Pletz
Intendant General
Division of Delaware, Knights of Red Cross of Constantine

R.E.D. & R.W. Mark E. Irwin
Grand Governor for Delaware,
York Rite Sovereign College of North America
Chief Adept, Delaware College S.R.I.C.F.

Ill. Donald D. Thomas, 33°
Active Emeritus, A.A.S.R.

Each were greeted personally by the Most Illustrious Grand Master and welcomed to the 84th Annual Assembly.

RECEPTION OF THE AMBASSADORS TO GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL

M.I. Wayne T. Slack
M.I. Robert B. Bussler
M.I. Robert Malwitz
Delaware
District of Columbia
Chief Ambassador

RECEPTION OF THE RIGHT PUISSANT NORTHEAST DEPUTY GENERAL GRAND MASTER REUBEN "REX" LONG

Most Illustrious Wayne T. Slack, MIPGM, then presented at the altar, Right Puissant Reuben "Rex" Long, the Northeast Deputy General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International. Most Illustrious Grand Master Walsh most cordially welcomed our distinguished Companion to Delaware, invited him to the East where he was afforded Cryptic Grand Honors and presented to him the gavel of authority to rule over this Grand Council. Right Puissant Long commented on his pleasure of being in Delaware and given the authority to preside over this Grand Council but suggested the labors should be returned to Grand Master Walsh.

RECEPTION OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF MASONS IN DELAWARE

Most Worshipful James E. Willey, Jr., Grand Master of Masons in Delaware was escorted into the Grand Council by MW Herbert J. Atkinson, PGM, and presented to Most Illustrious Grand Master Walsh. The Most Worshipful was invited to the East, afforded Symbolic Grand Honors and presented the gavel to preside over Grand Council. The Grand Master extended a warm welcome to the visitors and all present and wished for them a most enjoyable stay in the Grand Jurisdiction. The Grand Master then returned to him the gavel of authority so he could preside over his Grand Session.

RECEPTION OF MOST ILLUSTRIOUS PAST GRAND MASTERS

On direction of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, the Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters in attendance assembled at the Altar. They then introduced themselves and stated their year of service to the Companions. M.I.G.M. Walsh thanked them for their past endeavors and for their advice and assistance during the past year. The assembled MIPGM were then afforded Grand Honors.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

On direction of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, the Grand Representatives arose, and were greeted by the Most Illustrious Grand Master.

ADDRESS OF THE MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER

Most Worshipful Grand Master James R. Willey Jr., Right Puissant N.E. Regional Deputy Grand Master Rex E. Long, Distinguished Guests, Officers, Members of this Grand Council, and any visitors who might be here:

Twelve Months ago I told everyone that I was here to serve this Grand council. I have committed and dedicated myself to this purpose and feel that I have done that this year! I have been to 12 official visits to out of state grand councils and have attended at most Council meetings in this jurisdiction.

March 21 - 22 Washington D C Grand Sessions

(R.I.D.G.M. Gilbert Greenfield represented me at brotherhood night at Nur Temple)

28th Attended & Introduced in Delaware Grand Lodge

April 3 – 4 Rhode Island Grand Council and Chapter

19-21 Penn. Grand Council Session in Grantville

24-25 Maine Grand Sessions in Bar Harbor
 May 8-9 New Hampshire Grand Sessions in Manchester
 10th I spoke to the Eastern Star about CMMRF
 June 5-6 Connecticut Grand Sessions also (PIGM W. Slack)
 7-8 Vermont Grand Sessions
 July 11 York & Scottish Rite Picnic at Bob & Judy Bensons.
 Aug. 15-16 Grand Council of New York at Albany NY
 Sept. 11-12 N E Grand Sessions – Baltimore, MD.
 23 – Official Staff visit in Gunning Bedford Council
 Oct. 4-5 Grand Lodge of Del. & Grand Masters Banquet
 9 – 11 Grand Sessions of Mass. - Burlington
 23-24-25 Grand Sessions of Maryland - Aberdeen
 Nov. 3 Official Staff visit in Joppa Council at Georgetown
 Dec. 30 Official Visit & Thrice Ill. Masters Council
 Mar. 6-7 New Jersey

I was honored by being made an honorary member of many of the Grand Councils in the North Eastern District

As I look around this Room, I realize that if not for York Rite Masonry, I would know less than 10% of the people here. Meeting most of you has enriched my life greatly – and I thank you all for this opportunity.

I did order an dispensation to all councils to wave waiting periods for investigations and balloting, also wave waiting period for Cryptic degrees, and to hold special assemblies for receiving and balloting on petitions, and to move their Charters to location to any Cryptic Festivals.

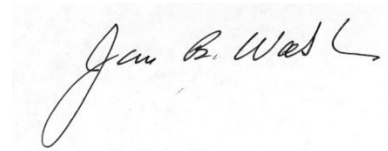
It was a great pleasure for me to welcome as our Grand Representatives from the jurisdictions noted:

Ill. Michael Douglas Cecil	Ohio
Ill. Mark D. Wells	Wyoming
Ill. Lettus G. Edas	Alabama
Ill. James M. Kiefer	Michigan
Ill. Cory R. Lien	North Dakota

I do recommend that the Grand Council adopt a resolution to allow any council with six members or more in attendance to hold an official meeting and do all official business during that meeting, or when they have a normal meeting, to not close, but to recess, so that the meeting could be continued the next meeting , especially balloting. I propose that this be accepted by this grand body.

Closing: I wish to thank each and every one of my officers, committees, and Past Ill. Grand Masters for their support this year. Thank you!

Sincerely and Fraternally,



James B. Walsh,
Illustrious Grand Master

On Motion, regularly moved, seconded and approved, the Report of the Most Illustrious Grand Master was received and referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

The following report shows we have a small increase in our total assets of .74518% or \$203.29. Although the increase is not as large as the past few years, we hope as the economy improved so will our assets. I thank the Grand Recorder, Mark E. Irwin, MIPGM, for his assistance this past year.

	IMMA Savings #206110389	Checking Account #372746018	Total Operating
Balances as of 2-28-09	\$8,707.21	\$199.14	\$8,906.35
Receipts:			
Deposits	\$910.00	\$756.75	\$1,666.75
CD Interest Transfer	\$307.40		\$307.40
CD Interest			
CD Interest Accrued			
IMMA Interest	\$13.65		\$13.65
Transferred to Checking	\$(2,200.00)	\$2,200.00	
Sub-Totals	\$7,738.26	\$3,155.89	\$10,894.15
Disbursements		\$(2,044.92)	\$(2,044.92)
Balances as of 2-28-10	\$7,738.26	\$1,110.97	\$8,849.23

	Investments		Perm.Fund Savings
	CD #497132351	CD #497149289	#496385963
Balances as of 2-28-09	\$8,099.76	\$8,800.22	\$1,554.18
Receipts:			
Deposits			\$122.00
CD Interest Transfer	\$(307.40)		
CD Interest	\$307.40		
CD Interest Accrued		\$57.04	\$1.37
IMMA Interest			
Transferred to Checking			
Sub-Totals	\$8,099.76	\$8,857.26	\$1,677.55
Disbursements			
Balances as of 2-28-10	\$8,099.76	\$8,857.26	\$1,677.55

Total All Accounts: \$27,483.80

Year-To-Year Summary

Assets	2/24/09	2/24/10	Difference	Difference in %
Checking Account	\$119.14	\$1,110.97	\$991.83	
IMMA Savings	\$8,707.21	\$7,738.26	\$(968.95)	
Flex CD (Accruing)	\$8,800.22	\$8,857.26	\$57.04	
Flex CD (IMMA Trans.)	\$8,099.76	\$8,099.76	\$-	
Perm.Fund Savings	\$1,554.18	\$1,677.55	\$123.37	
Total Assets	\$27,280.51	\$27,483.80	\$203.29	0.74518%
Total Net Worth		\$27,483.80		

Fraternally submitted,
Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., MIPGM
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

Thank you for the opportunity to make this report of the Grand Recorder. A year ago, I was asked to assume this role at the last minute. It has been challenging in organizing the files that have been passed to me and recreating others that appear to be lost. Information regarding last year's sessions were received in the last few weeks and I will endeavor to get those published shortly. Confusion regarding the annual returns occurred this year which prompted some late filings. I am pleased that the Recorders of the constituent Councils have filed their returns and the per capita checks have been deposited through the Grand Treasurer's office. As there was confusion by some Recorders on where to send various reports, some of the receipts for the year were not received through this office. Therefore I am unable to provide a complete report of the income and expenses. I will endeavor to correct this situation with the Grand Treasurer in the coming year.

From a membership perspective, this office notes the following:

MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

COUNCIL	START	GREET	REIN	AFFIL	DEMIT	SUS.	DIED	TOTAL	DUAL
G. BEDFORD	168	0	2	0	0	5	2	163	
ADONIRAM	41	2	0	0	2	7	1	33	
JOPPA	60	0	0	0	4	1	4	51	
T. I. M.	63	0	0	1	0	0	2	62	62
TOTALS	332	2	2	1	6	13	9	309	
NET LOSS	23								

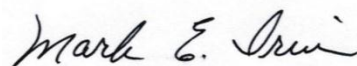
Our Grand Council was hit especially hard this year by suspensions and death. The number of greetings has fallen off this year and I encourage the subordinate Council's to reach out to prospective candidates to stem the decline in membership. We must work in our Blue Lodges and Chapters to encourage all Masons to complete the Circle of Perfection by being greeted in our Councils. If you need assistance please call on your Grand Officers. They are ready and willing to help you in your endeavors.

I am a strong believer in the Internet and email. I urge all to make use of these tools when contacting this office. I have been working in automating and imaging many of the forms and records for access through the Internet. Our official Grand Council is maintained by Companion Dan Pushee, who provides timely publishing of changes that are submitted to him. In addition, I have created a website where records such as recent proceedings, constitutions and other documents are housed. Also included on the official website is a link to petition forms that can be printed and used. Please avail yourself of these various methods of disseminating information.

I regret that I was unable to be timely with many reports but initially I was playing catch up as I discovered that the General Grand return was 2 years in arrears. This oversight has been corrected and I have assured the General Grand Recorder that he will receive a timely report from this Grand Council. The summary of these sessions will also be produced in a timely fashion and available to all recorders by the April 30th date called for in the Standing Resolutions.

To our Most Illustrious Grand Master, James B. Walsh, I appreciate all of your support during the year and thank you for the trust you placed in me to fill this office. I regret that due to other commitments, I was unable to be with you as much as I wanted. I congratulate you on your year and wish you the best in all your future endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark E. Irwin, MIPGM
Grand Recorder

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, the Report of the Grand Recorder was received.

INSURANCE COVERAGE

The Most Illustrious Grand Master reported that Insurance would be continued as in the past with all bodies of the Grand York Rite participating in the shared cost.

REPORT OF THE MEMORIALS COMMITTEE

Companions:

We have gathered here today for the annual assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Delaware and as we look about us we find that some of the companions that we have had the opportunity to travel with, work with, and break bread with, are no longer with us. Let us remember the wonderful times we shared together, the places we have visited, and the good things that have occurred.

The Supreme Grand Master of Heaven and Earth, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, has received those companions who have laid down their working tools during the past year. These were companions of varying abilities and talents, who used them in varying degrees to serve their Master and their fellow men. Some served as role models to those of us who remain; others served quietly, and were less obvious workers in the “quarries”.

Their passing again confronts us with our mortality. As we know our stay on this earth is but for a very short time, and although we have no idea when the Supreme Grand Master of heaven and earth will call us, we must be prepared to leave this earth at any time.

“And the Lord is the one who goes ahead of you: He will be with you. He will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.” We will also walk where they have sojourned. We will also appear before the Throne of Grace. May we profit by their several examples—learning from their wisdom, and avoid repeating their mistakes. And may we look forward to glad heavenly reunion.

We will now place flowers upon the altar in memory of all departed companions.

We place one flower on the altar in memory of our departed Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters.

Henry Law, MIPGM, Gunning Bedford Council #1
Harry M Sullivan, MIPGM, Adoniram Council #2
Albert H. Westerside, MIPGM, Gunning Bedford Council #1

We place one flower on the altar in memory of our departed Illustrious Masters.

We place one flower on the altar in memory of our departed companions of constituent councils.

We also place one flower on the altar in memory of our departed companions in other grand jurisdictions.

Let us pray:

Our Heavenly Father, as we bow our heads today we think of our departed companions everywhere and ask that they be in Your ever present, every loving care. Your Word assures us that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in Heaven.

Our Heavenly Father, we ask Your sympathy upon the widows and families of these departed companions. Extend to them Your tender kindness and healing love... for we know that those who mourn shall be comforted.

Now may our God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal comfort and good hope by grace, comfort and strengthen our hearts in every good work and word. Amen

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND STATUTES COMMITTEE

This Committee received no requests during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne T. Slack, MIPGM, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENT FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

The Committee continues to urge all Companions to support the General Grand Council Cryptic Research Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald D. Thomas, Chairman

REPORT OF THE GRAND INSPECTOR

No report received.

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT FUND COMMITTEE

No report received

REPORT OF THE GRAND YORK RITE ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE

No report received.

REPORT OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

The Committee reports that the records from the 2009 Grand Assembly were only recently received in the Grand Recorder's Office. They will be edited and published shortly. The Committee is prepared to utilize CD's to mail copies of Proceedings to other jurisdictions in order to reduce total costs. A nominal number of printed copies will also be produced.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mark Irwin, Chairman

REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ALBERT T. HANBY TRUST

We are still supporting the Day Camp and Sports Facility for underprivileged children. The YMCA is leasing this land from The Hanby Trust. A grant of \$70,000.00 was given again this year. All the children really enjoy themselves at camp.

Fraternally Submitted,
Wayne T. Slack, MIPGM, Governor

REPORT OF THE AWARDS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION COMMITTEE

After much discussion by this committee and conversing with the Most Illustrious Grand Master, it has been concluded that there has been no Companion eligible for this high award, despite many Companions working for the good of our fraternal organization.

Fraternally submitted,
Charles T. Hart, MIPGM

THRICE ILLUSTRIOUS MASTERS DEGREE REPORT

The stated Assembly of Thrice Illustrious Masters Council No. 4 was held on December 29, 2009 in the Blue Room of the Masonic Temple, 818 Market Street. Wilmington, Delaware with the following officers present:

Illustrious Master	Illustrious Herbert J., Atkinson
Senior Warden	Illustrious Gilbert E. Greenfield, p.t..
Junior Warden	M.I.P.G.M. C. Granville McVey
Recorder/Treasurer	M.I.P.G.M. Donald D. Thomas
Steward	M.I.P.G.M. John B. Dorsey
Sentinel	Illustrious Lionel Hunter

Jay Carl Bergstrom, Illustrious Master elect of Gunning Bedford Council No. 1, was duly elected affiliated members of the Council. The Thrice Illustrious Masters Degree was then conferred upon him in a most proficient manner by the Officers of Thrice Illustrious Masters Council No. 4 with M.I.P.G.M. John B. Dorsey assuming the role of Benaiah. Illustrious Companion Herbert J. Atkinson delivered King David's Charge in an outstanding manner.

The minutes of the stated assembly of December 29, 2008 were accepted as presented. The Treasurer reported a balance in the Treasury of about \$214.28, including the fee of the evening of \$1.00.

In attendance at this meeting was Most Illustrious Grand Master J. B. Walsh together with several members of his staff. The Most Illustrious Grand Master was officially received into the Council by Thrice Illustrious Master Herbert J. Atkinson and afforded the dignities of his office. The Most Illustrious Grand Master complimented the officers on their work and encouraged the newly affiliated member to work zealously in his Council for the forthcoming year. He pledged his own personal support to him and wished him the very best and hoped that each of our Councils would have an enjoyable prosperous year.

The Recorder noted that of the passing of Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters Henry G. Law and Harry M. Sullivan, Jr. Most Illustrious Past Grand Master James R. Herrington prented a prayer in their memory.

Upon unanimous consent of the membership present, the following officers were elected to serve the Council for the forthcoming Cryptic year:

Illustrious Master	Illustrious Herbert J. Atkinson
Senior Warden	M.I.P.G.M. James A. Pletz
Junior Warden	M.I.P.G.M. C. Granville McVey
Recorder/Treasurer	M.I.P.G.M. Donald D. Thomas

Thrice Illustrious Master Atkinson appointed the following officers:

Steward	M.I.P.G.M. John B. Dorsey
Sentinel	Illustrious Lionel Hunter

The next degree conferral is scheduled for December 28, 2010 at the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, Delaware commencing at 6:45 P.M.

The labors of Thrice Illustrious Council Number 4 being completed with harmony prevailing, the Most Illustrious Grand Master closed the Council in ample form at 7:45 P.M.

Respectively submitted,
Donald D. Thomas, MIPGM
Recorder, TIM No. 4

JURISPRUDENCE REPORT

The Jurisprudence Committee has reviewed the address of the Most Illustrious Grand Master and presents its report on it.

The committee has reviewed the dispensation of the Most Illustrious Grand Master and finds it proper and within his authority and approve of it.

The Most Illustrious Grand Master had a busy schedule this year and we commend him for his presence at the many bodies he attended. His attendance, we are certain helped publicize the Grand Council and will reap benefits in the future.

Our Most Illustrious Grand Master approved 5 Grand Representatives from our sister jurisdictions. We appreciate his attention to this very important duty by providing representatives to carry on the fraternal relations with other jurisdictions. The Committee notes several vacancies that need to be filled due to recent deaths. We encourage the incoming Grand Master to review with the Grand Recorder the list of Grand Representatives and make appropriate appointments.

We are pleased that our Most Illustrious Grand Master visited all of the constituent councils and are happy that he was received with the honor deserving of his position.

Our Most Illustrious Grand Master was able to attend 11 of our sister jurisdictions. We know the friendships and relations that were built will benefit both he and our Grand Council in the future. We appreciate the courtesy that was shown to our Grand Master in each of these sessions.

Our Most Illustrious Grand Master has made a recommendation to open a Council with less than 9 members in order to transact business and vote on candidates. The Committee agrees that there has been a problem with some Councils being able to open because of the lack of membership. The Jurisprudence Committee is reviewing the proposal and will make a recommendation to the incoming Grand Master as to how we could proceed. Any necessary legislation will be proposed at our next Assembly.

The Grand Council also owes a great level of gratitude for the generous donation of Grand Council officer aprons by the Most Illustrious Grand Master. These aprons include Delaware on them so that they may be easily identified when visiting sister jurisdictions.

Our Most Illustrious Grand Master has completed his term with dignity and honor and we applaud his work in improving the recognition of the Grand Council this past year. We wish him well in

his future service to the Craft.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Mark Irwin, MIPGM – Chairman
James R. Herrington, MIPGM
Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., MIPGM

Upon motion regularly made, seconded and approved, the Report of the Most Illustrious Grand Master was approved.

Administrative Matters

Last year the following proposal was made and was voted as a 1st reading at the 2009 Grand Assembly.

Amend Article 6 of the Constitution

It currently reads:

The Grand Council shall hold its Annual Assembly at 9:00 A.M. on the second Saturday in March at the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, Delaware, or at such time and place to permit meeting on the same day as the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, or such other time and place as the Grand Council at its Annual Assembly may determine. Special Assemblies may be called if deemed necessary, or when requested by a majority of the Councils.

Amend it to read:

The Grand Council shall hold its Annual Assembly on the second Saturday in March at the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, Delaware, or at such time and place to permit meeting on the same day as the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, or such other time and place as the Grand Council at its Annual Assembly may determine. Special Assemblies may be called if deemed necessary, or when requested by a majority of the Councils.

The elimination of the time of the meeting would permit the Grand Council to alternate its meeting with the Grand Chapter upon agreement with the Grand Chapter. Since this is a change the constitution, it cannot be enacted until next annual session. The committee moves for its adoption.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to amend the Constitution.

No other legislative changes were submitted to the Committee. We thank the Most Illustrious Grand Master for allowing us to serve this Grand Council.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,
Mark Irwin, MIPGM – Chairman
James R. Herrington, MIPGM
Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., MIPGM

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee has reviewed the records of the Grand Council for 2009 and finds that Treasurer's report accurately reflects the accounts of the Council. The opening and closing balances agree with the statements and that all receipts and expenditures were accurately recorded.

A total of \$27,483.80 was contained in the Grand Council accounts. The Grand Council appears to be in reasonably sound financial condition. The net worth of Grand Council increased by \$203.29 during the year.

The committee cautions, however, that, with the low level of current interest rates, Grand Council will need to remain judicious in managing their expenditures.

Fraternally submitted,
David H Laucius
Chairman

Grand Council Budget 2010 Proposed March 10, 2010

Income

Dues	900.00	225 companions @ \$4.00
Dues Cards	40.00	
Petitions		
Interest - Money Market	12.00	
Interest - CD 351	121.50	
Interest - CD 289		Rolls Forward; not spent
Insurance	114.00	From Councils
Donations		
Subtotal	1187.50	

Expenses

General Grand Council	225.00	225 companions @ 1.00
Cryptic masons medical research foundation	25.00	
Dues Cards	40.00	
MIGM Jewel	80.00	
Banquet	500.00	
Recorder	75.00	
Treasurer	25.00	
Insurance	114.00	
Proceedings	50.00	
Postage	21.00	
Supplies	25.00	
Misc	7.50	
Picnic	0.00	
PIGM Apron		

paraphenalia

Subtotal 1187.50

Gain/loss

0.00

*On motion regularly made, and seconded the above Budget was **APPROVED.***

RECOGNITION OF REPRESENTATIVE OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Most Puissant Douglas D. Crum from the Grand Council of Pennsylvania rose and congratulated the Most Illustrious Grand Master on his term of office and on behalf of the other distinguished guests for the hospitality shown them during the weekend.

RECOGNITION OF GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

The Most Illustrious Grand Master than called on Right Puissant Reuben "Rex" Long for his remarks. Companion Long also extended his thanks for the courtesies extended to he and his lady.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEES

Most Illustrious Grand Master Walsh then discharged all Committees, expressing his thanks and that of the Grand Council for all their efforts during the past year.

ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Most Illustrious Grand Master Walsh announced that the time had arrived for the election of Officers for the ensuing Cryptic year. The results of the Election, by acclamation, were as follows:

M.I. Grand Master	Gilbert E. Greenfield
R.I. Deputy Grand Master	Robert A. Benson
R.I. Grand Principal Conductor of the Work	James G. Horn
M.I. Grand Treasurer	Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., MIPGM
M.I. Grand Recorder	Mark E. Irwin, MIPGM

Most Illustrious Companion Greenfield then announced the following appointments for the ensuing year:

I. Grand Captain of the Guard	Neal J. Sobocinski
I. Grand Chaplain	Lionel D. Hunter
I. Grand Conductor of Council	David H. Laucius
I. Grand Marshal	Herbert J. Atkinson

I. Grand Steward
I. Grand Sentinel

Jon B. Cottrell
Lyman L. Krimmel

The elected and appointed Officers were installed in Ample Form by Most Illustrious Past Grand Master Donald D. Thomas, with Most Illustrious Past Grand Master James A. Pletz serving as Grand Marshal.

REMARKS OF THE INCOMING GRAND MASTER

Most Worshipful Grand master, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Honored Guest from the General Grand Council International, Most Illustrious Masters in attendance, Most Illustrious Past Grand Masters, Distinguished guests, most Honored Visitors, Companions all and that title which I hold most near and dear to my heart “Friends.”

Humbly, I stand before you having a feeling of great honor at being asked to bring Cryptic Masonry into a new decade. You, Most Illustrious James B. Walsh, have bestowed upon me a challenge like none other in my life time. Following your leadership from the past year will at the least be an awesome challenge. This Great Fraternity though on solid ground, is not standing as high or as straight as it was envisioned just a few decades ago. The ever changing social climate, the declining membership, the ever increasing average age of the members, increases the challenge which faces us all as Officers and leaders of all the Fraternal Bodies. It is said that the greater the challenge the higher we rise to accomplish meeting the challenge. Think about the great and many adversities our ancestors faced and overcame, that we could enjoy the liberties and freedoms we enjoy this very morning!

I have preached in the past, that if each Mason found a replacement for himself, the fraternity would never fail. The more bodies that I have become involved with I find that, this is the least that we should strive for. One only makes us stay where we are. If we wish to grow and succeed however, we must try harder. Let us not be “Second Best.” In the immortal words of Lenny Dykstra, “We Can do it.”

I would like to thank M.I.P.G.M.s James A. Pletz and Donald D. Thomas for taking time from their busy schedules to install the incoming Officers and myself. Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you. Help comes to all those who ask and not demand, no man is an Island. All you must do is ASK.

Other Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters may have been proud of the Grand Staff Members serving during their year. None however could be more proud or feel as honored to serve with, than I with the 2010-11 Grand Staff. The love that each member of your Grand Staff has shown for the Masonic Fraternity and for each other, only enforces my feelings. Remember this is your Grand Staff; you must help them serve you.

I look upon my visits to our sister jurisdictions with much anticipation. Although I have met many of my fellow Grand Presiding Officers, there is still a great many that I wish to meet. My wife, Lady Anita is looking forward also to the friendly reception which is always accorded the Grand Representatives from Delaware. I wish my action will continue in the manner of our past great leaders.

My hopes for the year 2010-11 is that all Councils end the year in a much better condition that that in which they start it. The desire of every Grand Illustrious Master, Grand High Priest, Grand Commander and Grand Master is that his efforts have not been in vain. As the Grand Officers carry out the wishes of the Companions, so should the Companions with their best efforts try to please he Grand Officers by fulfilling their obligation to Masonry.

The Grand Officers are not obligated to attend all in state visitations. They are expected however to attend the visitation in their own Council. The Thrice Illustrious Masters Degree and Annual Grand Assembly are also obligatory.

I end with this request. Let us Pray, for peace, love to all mankind, to our service personnel wherever they may be serving, and that we remember: IF YOU HAVE NO KIND WORDS TO SAY TO OR ABOUT YOUR BROTHER PLEASE REMAIN SILENT. FOR SILENCE IS GOLDEN.

Fraternally Submitted,
Gilbert E. Greenfield
Most Illustrious Grand Master

APPOINTMENTS

The Most Illustrious Grand Master then directed the Grand Recorder to read the Committee appointments for the ensuing year. The first named to be the Chairman of each Committee:

Jurisprudence

John B. Dorsey, MIPGM
Mark E. Irwin, MIPGM
James B. Walsh, MIPGM

Grand Inspector

Franklin R. Townsend, MIPGM
James G. Horn
Jon B. Cottrell

Finance

Arthur A. Loveless, Jr., MIPGM
Neal J. Sobocinski
David H. Laucius

Constitution and Statutes

James A. Pletz, MIPGM
Arthur A. Loveless, Jr., MIPGM

York Rite Leadership

Charles A. Depfer (Commandery)
Robert A. Benson (Chapter)
Archie W. Bethard, III, MIPGM

Memorials

Charles T. Hart, MIPGM
Arthur A. Loveless, MIPGM
R. Nelson Biggs

(Council)

Grand York Rite Annual Mtg.

David H. Laucius (Commandery)
Neal J. Sobocinski (Chapter)
James G. Horn (Council)
A. Tony Maxwell – Perm. Member

G.G.C. Benevolent Foundation

Donald D. Thomas, MIPGM

Grand York Rite Youth

Ronald G. Keller (Chapter)
Herbert P. Fulmer (Council)
G. Thomas Taylor (Commandery)

Gov. Albert T. Hanby Trust

Wayne T. Slack, MIPGM

Awards and Recognition

Charles T. Hart, MIPGM
Arthur A. Loveless, MIPGM
Richard L. Weaver, MIPGM

Permanent Fund

John B. Dorsey, MIPGM
Archie W. Bethard, III, MIPGM

VISITATION SCHEDULE

The schedule of visitations to the Constituent Councils was then announced by the Grand Recorder:

Gunning Bedford Council No.1, Wilmington	March 24, 2010
Adoniram Council No. 2, Dover	May 12, 2010
Joppa Council No. 3, Georgetown	April 6, 2010
Thrice Illustrious Masters No. 4, Wilmington	December 28, 2010

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

On motion regularly made, seconded, and approved, the date of the 85th Annual Assembly of the Grand Council was set for Saturday, March 12, 2010, at a time and place to be determined by the Most Illustrious Grand Master.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to claim the attention of the Grand Council, it was closed in Ample Form at 11:15 A.M. by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, James E. Willey. The Companions then repaired to the 4th floor for lunch.

ATTEST:

Mark E. Irwin

Mark E. Irwin, MIPGM
Grand Recorder

MOST ILLUSTRIOUS PAST GRAND MASTERS

1926	*Harvey W. Bentley	1927	*Royden L. Hammond
1928	*George O. Fearon	1929	*John McMillan
1930	*Cornelius E. Beatty	1931	*Herman H. Hanson
1932	*Harry L. Holson	1933	*Clarence B. Hess
1934	*J. Wallace Woodford	1935	*Calvin E. Afflerbach
1936	*Thomas R. Saunders	1937	*John P. LeFevre
1938	*Marshall M. Carpenter	1939	*Harry W. Kennedy
1940	*George S. Buhl	1941	*Andrew J. Bock
1942	*R. Earle Dickey	1943	*William H. Cantwell
1944	*Charles S. Cahoon	1945-46	*Frank B. Newell
1947	*Harry R. Craig	1948	*James Carswell
1949	*M. Haswell Pierce	1950	*Walter L. Conway
1951	*George E. Vandegrift	1952	*J. Ralph Carey
1953	*Harry V. Holloway	1954	*Irwin R. Murray
1955	*Howard C. Barlow	1956	*Henry S. Young
1957	*J. Henry McDonnell	1958	*Stephen E. Hamilton
1959	*Percy W. Gardner	1960	*Alfred E. Yeaton
1961	*F. Irving Crow	1962	*Charles E. Green
1963	*Emerson Keeler	1964	*Raymond A. Howard
1965	*John J. McClearnen	1966	Chester C. Coffin
1967	*Rhey H. Smith	1968	*Warren R. Gray
1969	*C. Ray Scarborough	1970	*Ernest H. Martyn
1971	*Samuel A. Wise	1972	*A. Warren Wheatley
1973	*James L. Crouse	1974	*John M. Johnson
1975	*E. Paul Wootten	1976	*Richard H. Thomas
1977	#James H. Durrill	1978	*Dallas E. Marvel
1979	*Charles W. Barkins	1980	*Paul E. Hurter
1981	*James H. Hutchins	1982	*Raymond M. Savage
1983	*Henry G. Law	1984	W. Thomas Musser
1985	Donald D. Thomas	1986	*Lewis J. Blackwell
1987	*Harry M. Sullivan, Jr.	1988	Horace G. Patterson, Jr.
1989	C. Granville McVey	1990	*T. Eugene Womach
1991	Richard A. Scarlott	1992	Maynard H. Mires, Jr.
1993	James A. Pletz	1994	*Haywood I. Buck, Jr.
1995	Charles H. Lengel, Jr.	1996	John B. Dorsey
1997	Mark E. Irwin	1998	Franklin R. Townsend
1999	Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr.	2000	*William J. Littel
2001	*Albert H. Westerside	2002	Archie W. Bethard, III
2003	Wayne T. Slack	2004	*Charles J. Conley
2005	James R. Herrington	2006	Charles T. Hart
2007	Richard L. Weaver	2008	Arthur A. Loveless, Jr.
2009	James B. Walsh		

GRAND TREASURERS

1925-27	*John McMillan	1927-33	*Harvey W. Bentley
1933-52	*John McMillan	1953-66	*James Carswell
1967-68	*Paul Yearsley	1969-80	*Alfred E. Yeaton
1981-86	Chester C. Coffin	1987-91	Henry G. Law
1992-94	C. Granville McVey	1995	Donald D. Thomas
1996-00	C. Granville McVey	2001	G. Thomas Taylor, III
2002-03	John B. Dorsey	2004-08	Wayne T. Slack
2009-	Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr.		

GRAND RECORDERS

1925-38	*Marshall M. Carpenter	1938-39	*Harvey W. Bentley
1939-56	*Marshall M. Carpenter	1957-64	*Alfred H. Coe
1965-70	*Raymond A. Howard	1971-72	#Lawrence B. Jones
1973-75	*John J. McClearnen	1976-80	Henry G. Law
1981-91	*C. Ray Scarborough	1992-94	Henry G. Law
1995	C. Granville McVey	1996-99	Donald D. Thomas
2000-02	Mark E. Irwin	2003-04	James T. Ruby
2005-07	Franklin R. Townsend	2008	Wayne T. Slack
2009-	Mark E. Irwin		

* - Deceased # - Suspended

RECIPIENTS OF THE GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL CRYPTIC MASON OF THE YEAR AWARD

1975	Chester C. Coffin	1976	* Raymond A. Howard
1977	* James L. Crouse	1978	*Henry G. Law
1979	* C. Ray Scarborough	1980	* Robert Parke, Jr.
1981	* Samuel B. Rash, Jr.	1982	* Lewis J. Blackwell
1983	* J. Norman Nicklas	1984	Richard A. Scarlott
1985	C. Granville McVey	1986	* John A. Irwin
1988	James A. Pletz	1989	* James Richardson
1990	Charles H. Lengel, Jr.	1991	* Haywood I. Buck, Jr.
1992	John B. Dorsey	1994	John N. Phillos
1996	James T. Elliott, Jr.	1997	Maurice C Barnes
1998	Eugene R. Small	1999	David F. Coady
2000	*James A. Johnson	2001	Jon B. Cottrell
2006	James G. Horn	2007	Robert A. Benson

**RECIPIENTS OF THE
GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL ADULT LEADERSHIP AWARD**

1983	* Marion C.T. Townsend	1984	* J. Norman Nicklas
1985	David B. Craig, Jr.	1986	*James H. Hutchins
1987	Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr.	1988	Benjamin F. Lloyd, Jr.
1989	James A. Pletz	1990	Franklin R. Townsend
1991	* Walter D, Wagner	1992	Eugene R. Small
1993	George W. Taylor	1994	Robert R. Hiddeman
1996	Donald E. Rosenberry	1997	G. Thomas Taylor
1998	Mrs. Bernice G. Newth	1999	J. David Goss
2001	Edwin Newth	2002	Carol & Herb Fulmer
2006	Bronwyn Millman	2007	George C. Dutton

**RECIPIENTS OF THE
GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL MEDAL OF HONOR**

Henry G. Law, MIPGM - 1993

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

<u>Near Delaware</u>	<u>State or Province</u>	<u>From Delaware</u>
Eugene R. Small	ALABAMA	George H. Busby
Donald F. Taylor	ALASKA	Russell A. Kenderick
Horace G. Patterson, Jr.	ARIZONA	David W. Blood
	ARKANSAS	Wesley M. Newton
James A. Pletz	CALIFORNIA	Brett A. McDonald
Samuel L. Mellin	COLORADO	Darrell Tygart
Wayne T. Slack	CONNECTICUT	Richard L. Smail
John B. Dorsey	DIST. of COLUMBIA	Scott M. Applebee
C. Granville McVey	EASTERN CANADA	Cecil E. Decker
Donald D. Thomas	ENGLAND & WALES	Robert Keith Hind
Jon B. Cottrell	FLORIDA	Charles Lee Hollinger
Archie W. Bethard, III	GEORGIA	Bobby L. Byrd
Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr	GERMANY	Walter E. Eichen
Charles T. Hart	HAWAII	Thomas L. Wilkerson
Harry D. Newell	IDAHO	M. William Echo
James T. Elliott, Jr.	ILLINOIS	James W. Patton
G. Richard Ward	INDIANA	Robert F. Price
Wayne T. Slack	IOWA	George R. McCormick
Carl E. Buffington	KANSAS	F. Earl Riley
	KENTUCKY	Douglas F. Long
Franklin R. Townsend	LOUISIANA	Archie A. Cline, Jr.
W. Thomas Musser	MAINE	Robert V. Damon
	MARYLAND	Clifton R. Friel
Warren F. Schueler, Sr.	MASSACHUSETTS	Gerald H. Pass
Charles H. Lengel, Jr.	MICHIGAN	Theodore A. Cannell
Charles H. Ware	MINNESOTA	Steven Score
C. William Tulloch	MISSISSIPPI	Billy Frank Smith
Franklin R. Townsend	MISSOURI	Alvin Gerstenschlager
Lucien T. Lenhart	MONTANA	Theodore Hiltz, Jr.
D. Julian Massey	NEBRASKA	Abbott George Burkeu
John B. Dorsey	NEVADA	William G. Roberts
Neal J. Sobocinski	NEW HAMPSHIRE	Thomas G. LaBerge
James R. Hanby	NEW JERSEY	Robert J. Sheridan
David B. Harman	NEW MEXICO	John E. Smith
	NEW YORK	Walter E. Barlow
Mark E. Irwin	NORTH CAROLINA	Otis V. Jones, Jr.
Maurice C. Barnes	NORTH DAKOTA	Cory R. Lien
James B. Walsh	OHIO	Henry A. Dodson
Jay C. Bergstrom	OKLAHOMA	Charles F. Gillentine
Charles T. Hart	ONTARIO	R. Frank Russell
G. Thomas Taylor	OREGON	Robert E. Hoffmaster
Chester C. Coffin	PENNSYLVANIA	Edward L. Helgerman
Randall C. Mullen	PHILIPPINES	Evaristo A. Leviste
	RHODE ISLAND	Raymond E. Hassell
John N. Phillos	SOUTH CAROLINA	Wilson C. Hardee
	SOUTH DAKOTA	Milton Edny
Maynard H. Mires, Jr.	TENNESSEE	William P. Bouton
James R. Herrington	TEXAS	Vernon I. Bartlett
Robert J. Lomax	UTAH	William J. Westbrook
James Teal	VERMONT	Guy Oldenburg
Gilbert E. Greenfield	WASHINGTON	William C. Cannon
	WESTERN CANADA	John F. Dobell
	WISCONSIN	Clarence A. McElmurry
Wayne D. Mower	WYOMING	Charles Gregg

**GRAND COUNCILS RECOGNIZED BY
THE GRAND COUNCIL OF DELAWARE**

ALABAMA	MONTANA
ALASKA	NEBRASKA
ARIZONA	NEVADA
ARKANSAS	NEW HAMPSHIRE
CALIFORNIA	NEW JERSEY
COLORADO	NEW MEXICO
CONNECTICUT	NEW YORK
DISTRICT of COLUMBIA	NORTH CAROLINA
EASTERN CANADA	NORTH DAKOTA
ENGLAND & WALES	OHIO
FLORIDA	OKLAHOMA
GEORGIA	ONTARIO
GERMANY	OREGON
HAWAII	PENNSYLVANIA
IDAHO	PHILIPPINES
ILLINOIS	RHODE ISLAND
INDIANA	SCOTLAND
IOWA	SOUTH CAROLINA
KANSAS	SOUTH DAKOTA
KENTUCKY	TENNESSEE
LOUISIANA	TEXAS
MAINE	UTAH
MARYLAND	VERMONT
MASSACHUSETTS	WASHINGTON
MICHIGAN	WESTERN CANADA
MINNESOTA	WISCONSIN
MISSISSIPPI	WYOMING
MISSOURI	

Grand Recorder names and addresses can be found at the General Grand Council Website:

<http://www.ggccmi.org/ggcmrec.html>

RETURNS OF CONSTITUENT COUNCILS
Gunning Bedford Council No. 1
Wilmington

Date of Charter: October 1, 1918
Stated Assembly: Fourth Wednesday of each Month
Closed: June, July, August, and December

OFFICERS

Jay C. Bergstrom	Illustrious Master
G. Thomas Taylor, III	Deputy Master
Harold J. Heitmann	Principal Conductor of the Work
James R. Herrington, MIPGM	Treasurer
Franklin R. Townsend, MIPGM	Recorder
Kenneth W. Jaeger	Captain of the Guard
Bradley J. Driscoll	Conductor of the Council
Robert E. Lusk	Steward
Wayne T. Slack, MIPGM	Chaplain
Joseph L. Kaufman	Sentinel

GREETED

None

REINSTATED

Franklin R. Townsend	Wayne D. Mower
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DEMITTED

John D. Angeny	Herbert P. Fulmer
Kewood Lynn	Edward A. Burke
Glenn F. Davis	

SUSPENDED

Anthony J. Suvie	John W. Peronti
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DIED

Henry G. Law, MIPGM	Richard E. Crozier
Henry George, IV	Jack C. Coughlan
Loren W. Kunkle	Samuel Stewart
Rudolph Veleair	

Adoniram Council No. 2

Dover

Date of Charter: September 9, 1924

Stated Assembly: First Wednesday of each Month
except October – Second Wednesday
Closed: June, July and August

OFFICERS

Robert A. Benson, PIM	Illustrious Master
Archie W. Bethard, III, MIPGM	Deputy Master
John D. Hiott	Principal Conductor of the Work
Lionel D. Hunter, PIM	Treasurer
Lionel D. Hunter, PIM	Recorder
John A. Eberly	Captain of the Guard
James Ruby	Conductor of the Council
James L. Ferguson, PIM	Steward
Charles H. Workman, III	Chaplain
Frank C. Lind	Sentinel

GREETED

Ryan Horsey	Joseph Morgan
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AFFILIATED

None

REINSTATED

None

DEMITTED

Barret Cullem	James Gooden
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SUSPENDED

Benjamin Betts	Mark Boller
David Chidester	Wilson Carmegys
James Durrill	Robert Klenoski
Eugene Knapp	

DIED

Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., MIPGM

Joppa Council No. 3
Georgetown

Date of Charter: September 9, 1924

Stated Assembly: First Tuesday of each Month
Closed: June, July and August

OFFICERS

Michael Pizzola	Illustrious Master
Christian Dull	Deputy Master
George Gadsby	Principal Conductor of the Work
James B. Walsh, MIPGM	Treasurer
Maurice C. Barnes, PIM	Recorder
John Merkley, PIM	Captain of the Guard
Samuel L. Mellin , PIM	Conductor of the Council
	Steward
Robert W. Currie	Chaplain
George Logan	Sentinel

GREETED

None

REINSTATED

None

AFFILIATED

None

SUSPENDED

Leon B. Ware, Jr.

DEMITTED

Steven L. Rogers
William T. Wadkins, Sr.

Robert F. Van Gorder
William I. Taylor

DIED

Richard Swarthout
Alden S. Hopkins, Jr.

William A. Rae
Ulysses S. Grant

Thrice Illustrious Masters Council No. 4
Wilmington

Date of Charter: March 14, 1992

Stated Assembly: December

OFFICERS

Herbert J. Atkinson, PIM	Illustrious Master
James A. Pletz, MIPGM	Senior Warden
C. Granville McVey, MIPGM	Junior Warden
Donald D. Thomas, MIPGM	Treasurer-Recorder
John B. Dorsey, MIPGM	Steward
Lionel Hunter PIM	Sentinel

AFFILIATED

Jay C. Bergstrom

DIED

Henry G. Law, MIPGM

Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., MIPGM

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 2010 plus 4000 = 6010

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 2010 plus 3760 = 5770. 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 2010 plus 530 = 2540

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 2010 plus 1000 = 3010

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 2010 = 892.

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 2010 plus 1913 = 3923.

Prior to 1947, the Annual Assembly was always held on the first Wednesday in October. Past Illustrious Grand Master Frank B. Newell was elected to that office on October 3, 1945, and served until January 15, 1947. At the Annual Assembly that was held on the third Saturday on January, 15, 1977 Past Illustrious Grand Master James H. Durrill was elected to that office and served until March 11, 1978, the first Annual Assembly that was held on the second Saturday in March.

**OFFICERS OF
THE GRAND COUNCIL OF CRYPTIC MASONS OF DELAWARE
2003**

M.I. Grand Master 1007 Lawndale Rd., Wilmington, DE 19810-3101	Gilbert E. Greenfield 302-475-7208
R.I. Deputy Grand Master 519 Marshyhope Rd., Felton, DE 19943	Robert A. Benson 302-284-3771
R.I. Principal Conductor of the Work 19 Sussex Drive, Lewes, DE 19958	James G. Horn 302-645-9889
M.I. Grand Treasurer 4 Westmeadow Lane, Newark, DE 19711	Sheldon L. Edwards, MIPGM 302-234-0353
M.I. Grand Recorder 317 Kalorama Rd., Sykesville, MD 21784	Mark E. Irwin, MIPGM 410-549-1155
Ill. Grand Captain of the Guard 209 Mangum Drive, Bear, DE 19701	Neal J. Sobocinski 302-834-5213
Ill. Grand Chaplain 2203 Alister Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808	Lionel D. Hunter 302-994-3192
Ill. Grand Counductor of the Council 204 Unami Trail, Newark, DE 19711	David H. Laucius 302-453-4065
Ill. Grand Marshal 18 Herbert Drive, New Castle, DE 19720	Herbert J. Atkinson 302-322-8393
Ill. Grand Steward 31 Melanie Drive, New Castle, DE 19720	Jon B. Cottrell 302-328-5313
Ill. Grand Sentinel 225 Pusey, Ave., Collingdale, PA 19023-1908	Lyman L. Krimmel 610-532-4802

The Eighty-fifth Annual Assembly of the Grand Council of Cryptic
Masons of Delaware will be held at the Atlantic Sands Hotel, Rehoboth,
Delaware, on Saturday, March 12, 2011, at 9:00 A.M.

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL OFFICERS

**2008-2011
ELECTIVE**

- Joe ValeGeneral Grand Master
3609 Southwood Dr., Gastonia, NC 28056 704-824-3444
- George Sellars Deputy General Grand Master
25159 S. Magdalena St., Harrison Twp, MI 48045 586-791-3009
- Lawrence O. Weaver.....General Grand P.C. of the Work
19433 Prospector Ter., Oregon City, OR 97045 503-518-9129
- Kenneth D. ChandlerGeneral Grand Treasurer
2288 Coy Rd., Mason, MI 48854 517-676-2172
- David A. Grindle General Grand Recorder
PO Box 1087, Meridian, ID 83646..... 208-895-6612
e-mail: ggr@ggccmi.org

APPOINTIVE

- Rev. Glenn B. Everett..... General Grand Chaplain
- Ronald B. Blaisdell..... General Grand Chaplain
- Rev. Ronald E. Wood, Jr..... General Grand Chaplain
- Jack (Jay) M. Callaham, Jr.....General Grand Captain of the Guard
- Saul M. Tischler..... General Grand Conductor of Council
- J. Gordon Cartrette General Grand Marshal
- Howard K. Boxmeyer..... General Grand Steward
- Howard F. Entwistle General Grand Sentinel
- Robert (Bob) Malwitz..... Chief Ambassador
- Robert H. Cook.....General Grand Organist
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