

DELAWARE COLLEGE, S.R.I.C.F.
MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVOCATION
May 27, 2009

Following social hour and dinner at the Wayside Inn, Smyrna, DE, Chief Adept/Celebrant Mark E. Irwin, IX^o opened the College by symbolically forming the Mystic Circle, followed by the pledge of allegiance to our flag.

Secretary/treasurer James R. Herrington, VIII^o read the minutes of the semi-annual convocation and presented the Treasurer's Report, which included a checking account balance of \$120.93, statement savings balance of \$493.72, and that a \$2,000 CD had been purchased at Artisans' Bank which will mature in August, 2008. Both were approved as read.

Celebrant Irwin then recognized members who are also visiting dignitaries: Grand Master Earl Emerson, Illus. Grand Master Arthur Loveless, Illus. James Elliott, 33^o Active Member of the Supreme Council, AASR/NMJ, and Active Emeriti Members and Past Grand Masters Warren Schueler, 33^o, and Harold T.J. Littleton, 33^o. He also recognized Past Grand Masters Wayne Mower and Ronald Conaway.

He then recognized Past Celebrants Littleton, McVey, Schueler, Spiess, Sullivan, Townsend, Mower, and Hermann.

It was moved, seconded and passed to remit the dues of Charles Allmond, III, VII^o, who is presently in critical condition in Crozer-Chester Hospital, following an automobile accident. During the meeting cards were passed to be signed and sent to Frater Allmond, and to Frater Swalm, whose mother had died the day before the convocation.

At his request, and by vote, John Irwin was granted Emeritus status.

The Nominating Committee presented the following report:

Celebrant	Eugene Small
Suffragan	GM Earl Emerson (re-election)
First Antient	William Stevens
Second Antient	Robert Benson
Third Antient	Ken Norris
Fourth Antient	Barry Hughes

There being no further nominations, it was moved, seconded, and passed that the slate be elected by acclamation. Those present agreed to serve.

Celebrant-elect Small then presented his slate of appointed officers:

Conductor of Novices	Nelson Biggs
Organist	James Elliott
First Herald	David Laucius
Second Herald	Sheldon Edwards
Torch Bearer	J.B. Walsh
Guardian/Caverns	James Brittingham
Medallist	William Huxtable
Acolyte	James Hanby
Librarian	James Horn
Prelate	Ricky Swalm

Celebrant Irwin then presented a paper titled, "The History of the First State York Rite College." The paper was well received, and copies were made available to the Fratres.

Chief Adept Irwin then installed the following officers who were present:

Celebrant Small
Suffragan Emerson
Cond/Novices Biggs
Organist Elliott
Torch Bearer Walsh
Guard/Caverns Brittingham
Medallist Huxtable

Celebrant Small then presented an outline for his plans for a more active College this coming year, and stated that quarterly dinners will be part of his program. He appointed Fratres Hermann, McVey, and Brittingham to serve as a planning committee for the year.

Chief Adept Irwin then closed the College in peace and harmony at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully and fraternally,

James R. Herrington, VIII^o
Right Worthy Secretary