

**Jesse Green Priory Number 70
Knights York Cross of Honour
January 29, 2000**

Eminent Prior James A. Pletz opened a Special Conclave of Jesse Green Priory No. 70, K. Y. C. H. at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, January 29, 2000 at the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, Delaware. The following officers and members were found to be present:

Prior	- James A. Pletz, KYGCH
Deputy Prior	- William J. Littel, KYGCH
Warder, Pro. Tem	- John B. Dorsey, KYGCH
Registrar/Treasurer	- Donald D. Thomas, P.P., KYGCH
Prelate	- Charles H. Lengel, Jr, KYGCH
Orator	- Haywood I. Buck, Jr., KYGCH
Herald	- Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr., KYGCH

Past Priors Chester C. Coffin, Franklin R. Townsend, Richard A. Scarlott, Horace G. Patterson, Mark E. Irwin and C. Granville McVey, and Knight Eugene R. Small.

The Eminent Prior expressed his sincere appreciation to those in attendance for joining with him for this Special Conclave of the Priory.

The Registrar then reported that he was in receipt of an Acceptance Invitation to the Priory from Brother Maurice C. Barnes, accompanied by the necessary initiation fee. The Registrar then noted that our distinguished Brother was in attendance and all was in order for his Reception.

The Prior then called upon the Officers to assume their respective stations for the Reception of Maurice C. Barnes into Jesse Green Priory Number 70.

Knight Herald Sheldon L. Edwards presented at the altar, Brother Maurice C. Barnes who was then properly and dignifiably received into the Priory under the able tutelage of Prior James A. Pletz assisted by the line officers. The Lectures were presented by:

Lodge -	Knight Charles H. Lengel, Jr., D.G.M.
Chapter -	Knight Sheldon L. Edwards, P.G.H.P.
Council -	Knight Mark E. Irwin, M.I.P.G.M.
Commandery-	Knight Richard A. Scarlott, P. G. G.

Past Prior Donald D. Thomas presented the explanation of the Crown.

Following a very proficient reception, Knight Barnes was presented with his KYCH membership card by Prior Pletz. He was then welcomed into our midst by all present.

The Minutes of the October 16, 1999 meeting of the Priory were then presented and approved as read. The Registrar then presented the Treasurer's Report which showed, in brief:

Balance January 1, 1999		\$ 2,525.07
Receipts		
Interest 1/1/99 - 12/31/99	49.95	
Barnes Fee	135.00	
17 Tickets McLeod	<u>238.00</u>	
TOTAL	422.95	
Disbursements		
Check #134 - D. Thomas - Stamps	10.00	
Transfer WSFS - \$1000.00 CD		
4.10%	<u>1000.00</u>	
TOTAL	1010.00	
Balance Checking Account December 31, 1999		\$ 1,938.02
WSFS CD		\$1,000.00
TOTAL NET WORTH		\$2,938.02
Increase in Net Worth		\$412.95
Increase in Net Worth (less tickets)		174.95

The Treasurer's Report was accepted subject to Audit.

The Registrar/Treasurer then noted that although the financial posture of the Priory was in good shape, the continued increase in the costs of jewels warranted, in his opinion, an increase in the admission fee from \$135.00 to \$200.00. He proposed this at this time with the recommendation that the increase be published in the next notice for action at the next meeting, subject to the approval of Convent General. The motion was so accepted, seconded and approved.

The Eminent Prior noted that he had expected the presence of Past Prior Harry M. Sullivan, Jr. Personal Representative for District Number 4 of Most Eminent Grand Master General Edward M. Block and who was scheduled to present the Commandery Lecture. He expressed his appreciation to Past Prior Scarlott for assuming that responsibility at the very last moment together with Past Prior Thomas for the presentation of the Crown in lieu of Warder James M. Johnson who was still recovering from heart surgery. Prior Pletz also expressed his thanks to Knight Dorsey for filling in for Warder Johnson in the line.

It was later learned that Past Prior Sullivan had spend the morning in the hospital for treatment of conjunctivitis.

The following distinguished Brethren in attendance were then recognized:

M.I. Sheldon L. Edwards, Most Illustrious Grand Master
R.E. Mark E. Irwin, Right Eminent Grand Commander
Donald D. Thomas, Intendant General for Delaware, UGIC, RCC
Brother C. Granville McVey, Grand Governor For Delaware, YRSCNA
R. W. Charles H. Lengel, Jr., Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge

The Prior then addressed the forthcoming visit of Worshipful Brother Wallace McLeod to Delaware later in February. He noted that plans had been made for him to visit the Grand Lodge facility here at 818 Market Street, and Lombardy Hall. He was expected to visit Hiram Lodge Number 25 in Newark on the evening of the 28th and witness the conferral of the Master Mason Degree. Plans had been made for him to fly into Philadelphia and his ticket had been secured by the Prior at no cost to the Priory (via a trade in of frequent flyer miles) and it was planned that he would be staying with the Prior at his home.

The Prior then reviewed, with the assistance of the membership in attendance the sale of tickets - which resulted in an expectation that at the moment at least 120 tickets had been sold. Committee responsibilities were then made for the evening as follows:

Table Setup	- John Dorsey
Book Sales	- Richard Scarlott
Ticket Collection	- William Littel
Forms and Petitions	- Donald D. Thomas

The Prior thanked everyone for their support and expressed the opinion that Jesse Green Priory was going to experience another very successful evening of Masonic Enlightenment.

The Prior then recognized our newly received Knight Maurice C. Barnes and called upon him for any remarks. Knight Barnes expressed his great pleasure at being received into Jesse Green Priory and expressed his wish and desire to continue to live up to the high standards exemplified by the present and past members of this Priory.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the Priory, it was closed with Peace and Harmony prevailing at 12:15 P.M.

Fraternally submitted,

Donald D. Thomas, P.P. Registrar

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KYCH Check Book

Date	Income	Expense	Interest	Balance	Check #	Comment
01/01/96				2165.16		Starting Balance 1/1/96
01/01/97				2660.42		Starting Balance 1/1/97
01/01/98				2496.27		Starting Balance 1/1/98
01/01/99				2525.07		Starting Balance 1/1/99
01/01/99				2,525.07		
01/29/99			4.87	2,529.94		Interest
02/28/99			4.41	2,534.35		Interest
03/31/99			4.79	2,539.14		Interest
04/30/99			4.37	2,543.51		Interest
05/29/99			4.39	2,547.90		Interest
06/30/99			4.25	2,552.15		Interest
07/31/99			4.40	2,556.55		Interest
08/31/99			4.41	2,560.96		Interest
09/30/99			4.28	2,565.24		Interest
10/13/99		10.00		2,555.24	134	Stamps and Envelopes
10/20/99	135.00			2,690.24		Barnes Acceptance
10/20/99		1,000.00		1,690.24		1 year CD WSFS 4.10%
10/29/99			3.84	1,694.08		Interest - 2.05%
11/30/99			2.83	1,696.91		Interest - 2.05%
12/17/99	238.00			1,934.91		17 Tickets McLeod
12/31/99			3.11	1,938.02		Interest - 2.05%

Totals	373.00	1,010.00	49.95			
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