

A stated communication of Keystone Council Number 113, Allied Masonic Degrees was convened by Sovereign Master Horace G. Patterson, Jr., at 11:15 A.M. on October 29, 1994 at the Masonic Temple, 818 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware with the following officers in their respective stations:

Senior Warden	Harold T. J. Littleton
Junior Warden	John A. Irwin
Secretary/Treasurer	Donald D. Thomas, Pro. Tem., P.S.M.
Senior Deacon	Frank A. Battaglia
Junior Deacon	Mark E. Irwin, Pro. Tem., P.S.M.
Chaplain	Warren F. Schueler, Sr.
Sentinel	Charles H. Lengel, Jr.

The following Brethren, as identified by the Sentinel's Registrar, were noted to be in attendance: Charles W. Barkins, Richard A. Scarlott, James H. Hutchins, and Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., James A. Pletz, Wayne M. Schutz, John B. Dorsey, Herbert J. Atkinson, C. Granville McVey, Lewis J. Blackwell and Dick Ward. We were delighted to have as guests from the neighboring jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, P.S.M. Richard S. Wolf and P.S.M. James M. Alter from Delval Council Number 60 and, from Maryland, James A. Johnson from Freestate Council Number 308.

The Sovereign Master then called the Council up while M.W. James A. Pletz, P.G.M. presented at the altar Most Venerable Flory S. Diehl, Sovereign Grand Master General accompanied by Brother Edward R. Saunders, Jr., Lord Fairfax Council Number 90. The Sovereign Grand Master was then accompanied to the East where he was recognized with Grand Honors and presented the gavel of authority. Most Venerable Flory S. Diehl expressed his pleasure of being in Keystone Council and expressed his sincere sorrow at the loss Freemasonry in Delaware and The Allied Masonic Degrees had recently sustained. He then proceeded to install Brother Edward R. Saunders as Grand Sentinel in the Grand Council of the Allied Masonic Degrees of the United States of America. The Sovereign Grand Master then returned the gavel of authority to the Sovereign Master who expressed his pleasure of meeting and greeting M.V. Flory Diehl in this Council.

Recognizing the tremendous loss that Freemasonry in Delaware, and throughout the entire United States, had suffered with the death of Past Sovereign Grand Master and the sitting Secretary Treasurer C. Ray Scarborough, K.G.C., the Sovereign Master called the assembly up for a moment of silent prayer. The Sovereign Master then appointed Past Sovereign Master Donald D. Thomas as Secretary Treasurer for this meeting.

Regrets from Brethren C. William Tulloch and William J. Little were acknowledged. The Sovereign Master then recognized the distinguished Brethren present from Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Council, Grand Commandery, the Scottish Rite and the other appendant bodies of Freemasonry.

The Sovereign Master then recognized the Past Sovereign Masters that were present and expressed his appreciation of their attendance and assistance during the past year.

Under Old Business, inquiry was made if any action had been taken regards elevating some identified members to an Emeritus status. The Secretary noted he was not aware of any actions that had been taken but would assume that responsibility and report back at the next meeting. Brother James A. Pletz then proposed the name of Brother Franklin R. Townsend for membership into the Council for reception at such time as a vacancy exists. If there were no objections to this proposal, Brother Townsend would join Brother Richard W. Garland and Carl V. Dreisbach, Jr. who had earlier been proposed and for which no objection had been raised. Neither of the latter two named Brethren were in attendance at this meeting for Reception and, with the death of Secretary it is truly unknown if they had received a summons to appear.

The call was then made for nominations for officers for Keystone Council Number 113 for the ensuing year. The secretary proposed the names of the following officers:

Sovereign Master	Harold T. J. Littleton
Senior Warden	John A. Irwin
Junior Warden	Frank A. Battaglia
Secretary/Treasurer	Mark E. Irwin, P.S.M.

There being no further nominations it was regularly moved, seconded and approved that nominations be closed and the above identified officers declared duly elected. Sovereign Master elect Littleton then appointed the following officers:

Senior Deacon	C. William Tulloch
Junior Deacon	Warren F. Schueler, Sr.
Chaplain	Charles H. Lengel, Jr.
Sentinel	Herbert J. Atkinson

All who were not Installed Sovereign Masters, with the exception of the Sovereign Master elect, were then asked to retire and the Council was called to refreshment. Following a brief respite, labor was again resumed and it was announced that the Sovereign Master elect - Harold Thomas Jackson Littleton had received the degree of Installed Sovereign Master from Venerable Master Donald D. Thomas assisted by Venerable Brother C. Granville McVey. Such matters being completed all members returned to the Council where those present were installed in their respective offices by Past Sovereign Master Thomas.

Sovereign Master Littleton then assumed the East and thanked all for their attendance and support. He declared that the next meeting of the Council would be held on May 6, 1995 in the Masonic Temple in Dover, Delaware.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the members of Keystone Council Number 113, Allied Masonic Degrees, it was closed with peace and harmony prevailing at 11:50 A.M.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,



Donald D. Thomas, P.S.M., Secretary/Treasurer Pro. Tem.