

A stated communication of Two-By-Two Lodge Number 15, Royal Ark Mariners was convened by Commander Noah, Harold T. J. Littleton, at 10:00 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	John A. Irwin
Junior Warden	C. Granville McVey
Secretary/Treasurer	Donald D. Thomas, Pro. Tem., P.C.N.
Conductor	Horace G. Patterson, Jr.
Inner Guard	Mark E. Irwin, Pro. Tem., P.C.N.
Outer Guard	Warren F. Schueler, Sr.

The following Sons, as identified by the Outer Guard's Registrar, were noted to be in attendance: Past Commander Noahs Charles W. Barkins, Richard A. Scarlott, James H. Hutchins, and Harry M. Sullivan, Jr. together with Sons Frank A. Battaglia, Charles H. Lengel, James A. Pletz, Wayne M. Schutz, John B. Dorsey, Herbert J. Atkinson, and Dick Ward. We were delighted to have as guests from the neighboring jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, Richard S. Wolf and James M. Alter.

Commander Noah noted, in the absence of the hatchet, the gavel being used at this meeting was one from the Holy Land and given to him by one of the Ministers who had participated in the Holy Land Pilgrimage, supported by the Grand Commandery of Knight Templars of Delaware.

Acknowledging the tremendous loss that Freemasonry, not only in Delaware but throughout the entire United States, had suffered with the death of Past Commander Noah and the sitting Secretary Treasurer C. Ray Scarborough, Commander Littleton called the assembly up for a moment of silent prayer. Commander Noah then appointed Past Commander Noah Donald D. Thomas as Secretary Treasurer for this meeting.

Regrets from Sons C. William Tulloch and William J. Little were acknowledged. Commander Noah 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 call for nominations for the Gold Honor Award received no response from the Sons present.~~ Upon call for nominations for new members, the names of Companions James A. Johnson and Albert H. Westerside were proposed subject to their eligibility.

Commander Noah then called upon Past Commander Noah's Barkins and Sullivan to share briefly with the Sons, the state of the record keeping and Secretarial activities of our departed Brother Scarborough. In brief, Sons Barkins and Sullivan had, they believe, accumulated all the boxed record keeping of the four bodies that were meeting this day and they had, in fact, brought them with them today. They had not had time, quite obviously, to review and inventory the contents. From a computer perspective,

Past Commander Noah Sullivan was trying to review the innumerable number of files, etc. that Ray had established. Overall, the task is monumental. It was noted that Lorene Scarborough was being extremely helpful but also was desirous of cleaning up these activities. Both Brethren Barkins and Sullivan noted they would continue on with those tasks.

Commander Noah then introduced Brother and Son William Jensen, the guest speaker for the meeting, who provided a delightful and very interesting talk on 'English Royal Ark Mariner Lodges'. Brother Jensen's talk was based upon his own personal experiences dating back to the time when he resided in England. His talk was further highlighted by his display of numerous English Masonic Aprons. Commander Littleton, on behalf of the Lodge, expressed the sincere thanks of all present for the further light in Freemasonry provided by Son Jensen. The Commander also noted that Companion Jensen would be the guest speaker at Daylight Chapter Number 10 in Newport on November 28.

Commander Noah Littleton then recognized the Past Commander Noahs, as identified above, that were present and expressed his appreciation of their attendance and assistance during the past year.

The call was then made for nominations for officers for Two-By-Two Lodge Number 15 for the ensuing year. The secretary proposed the names of the following officers:

Commander Noah	John A. Irwin
Senior Warden	C. Granville McVey
Junior Warden	Horace G. Patterson

Past Commander Noah Mark Irwin then volunteered his name as Secretary Treasurer for the ensuing year. With the inclusion of that name within the proposed set of officers, it was regularly moved, seconded and approved that nominations be closed and the above identified officers declared duly elected. Commander Noah elect Irwin then appointed the following officers:


Conductor	Warren F. Schueler, Sr.
Inner Guard	Richard E. Wise
Outer Guard	Frank A. Battaglia

Upon request of Commander Noah elect John A. Irwin, the newly elected and appointed officers of the Lodge, with the exception of Son Richard A. Wise who was reappointed to his current station, were installed by Past Commander Noah Thomas.

Commander Noah Irwin assumed the gavel and thanked all for their attendance and support. He declared that the next meeting of the Lodge would be held on May 6, 1995 in the Masonic Temple in Dover, Delaware commencing at 10:00 A.M.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the Sons of Two-By-Two  
Lodge Number 15, Royal Ark Mariners, it was closed with peace and  
harmony prevailing at 11:05 A.M.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,



Donald D. Thomas, P.C.N., Secretary/Treasurer Pro. Tem.