



**DELAWARE CHAPTER  
ORDER OF KNIGHTS PRECEPTOR**

March 6, 2014 Minutes  
Constitution and Installation of Officers  
Delaware Chapter, Order of Knights Preceptor

At 6:15 P.M., March 6, 2014, Past Sovereign Grand Preceptor Charles W. Wagner, of Robert V. Hines Chapter in the District of Columbia, by virtue of the Power and Authority in him vested, declared opens a Chapter of Knights Preceptor at the Wilmington Masonic Temple. 818 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, for the purpose of Constituting Delaware Chapter, Order of Knights Preceptor and installing its officers. Present to assist him was Past Grand Marshal of the Sovereign Grand Preceptory, William H. Haynes of Pennsylvania Chapter, together with Sir Knight David Hardie, from Ontario, Canada, a member of New Jersey Chapter, Knights Preceptor, together with the petitioning Knight Preceptors of:

Sir Knight Sheldon L. Edwards, PGC

Sir Knight James R. Herrington, PGC

Sir Knight William Lott. PGC

Sir Knight Arthur A. Loveless, PGC

Sir Knight James A. Pletz, PGC

Sir Knight Donald D. Thomas, PGC

With Sir Knight Haynes serving as Grand Marshal and Sir Knight Herrington serving as Prelate, Past Sovereign Grand Preceptor Charles W. Wagner proceeded to constitute, in exemplary form, Delaware Chapter, Order of Knights Preceptor. He then caused the Charter to be read and presented it, in due form, to the petitioning Sir Knights.

Past Sovereign Grand Preceptor Charles W. Wagner, again with Knight Preceptor Haynes as Marshal, proceeded to obligate and install, in a superb manner, the following Charter elected and appointed officers of Delaware Chapter, Knights Preceptor:

Preceptor	Knight Preceptor William Lott. PGC
Deputy Preceptor	Knight Preceptor C. Granville McVey. PGC, by Proxy
Master of Templars	Knight Preceptor James A. Pletz, PGC
Seneschal	Knight Preceptor Arthur A. Loveless, PGC
Prelate	Knight Preceptor James R. Herrington, PGC
Treasurer/ Recorder	Knight Preceptor Donald D. Thomas, PGC
Marshal	Knight Preceptor Sheldon L. Edwards, PGC
Sentinel	Knight Preceptor Charles M. Lengel, PGC, by Proxy

Past Sovereign Grand Preceptor Charles W. Wagner then welcomed Right Eminent Knight Preceptor Lott to the East, presented him the gavel of authority and offered the Fraters of the Chapter his sincerest congratulations on their labors to date, bid them his very best on their forthcoming journey on behalf of Chivalric Masonry and deeply thanked them for the honor and pleasure of undertaking these services today. All in attendance expressed their appreciation of Right Eminent Sir Knights work with a hearty round of applause. Sir Knight Wagner then asked to be excused as he had to continue his journey to Albany, New York to the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of New York in his official capacity as Deputy General Grand Master of the Northeast Region of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons International. and thence return back to Delaware for our Council session on Saturday.

Knight Preceptor Lott, on behalf of the Chapter sincerely thanked Knight Preceptors Wagner and Haynes for their travels to Delaware and their labors on behalf of Delaware Chapter. He then entertained a motion, duly seconded that Knight Preceptors Wagner and Haynes be invested as Honorary Members of Delaware Chapter. The motion was passed unanimously, with sincere thanks, by the members of Delaware Chapter.

Knight Preceptor Lott then addressed the following issues of the Chapter.

Upon motion, duly seconded, the following were approved:

. By-Laws, as distributed and attached

.Investiture Fee - \$10.00

. All invested prior to the March, 2015 annual Conclave of Grand Commandery to be considered Charter Members

Petition to the Grand Commandery of Delaware as follows:

***“This Grand Commandery recognizes the Knights Preceptor Order as a non-mandatory Chair degree for the Constituent Commanderies of this Grand Commandery and encourages all elected and Past Commanders of this Jurisdiction to avail themselves of this Order.”***

Knight Preceptor Lott then called upon Knight Preceptor Haynes to share with the membership, to refresh their memories, some of the details of the actual investiture conferral. This he willingly did, thus enabling all to better grasp the tasks that lie before us.

Knight Preceptor Herrington then brought to the attention of the Recorder a possible error in the By-Laws in Section II. Knight Preceptor Thomas noted he would look into it and have it corrected, if necessary.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the Chapter, it was closed at 7:00 P.M. by Knight Preceptor Lott with prayer by Knight Prelate Herrington with Peace and Harmony prevailing. Several of the Sir Knights present then joined with the Fraters of St. John’s Commandery for their annual Commanders Feast.

Attest:

Donald D.Thomas. Recorder/Treasurer