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Grand Master's Page - July 1994

July and Patriotism

Twice in a quarter of a century, America answered "the call to arms." The young men who answered the first call in 1917 are gone - gone to meet their maker. Those who answered the second call in the early 1940s are now either dead or in their "golden years." Since World War II, the United States, rightly or wrongly, has become the policeman of the world. Names such as Inchon, Panmunjon and Seoul; Hanoi, Da Nang and Saigon; Kuwait, Hawaii and Basra are as familiar to us today as Boston, Philadelphia, and Williamsburg were to our forbears during the American Revolution. The adage, 'My country - right or wrong," should be as timely today as it was a century ago.



I am writing this on June 6, 0-Day. It was just fifty years ago that many of us were young men serving our country in a global war - some in the Pacific serving with the U.S. Navy; others on volcanic islands serving with the Marines or the Army. Many of us were to become involved in Operation Overlord - The Great Crusade. Just as Henry V defeated the flower of French chivalry at Agincourt and the English longbow changed the way, forever, that wars were fought; the airplane and air supremacy became the decisive force in all future wars. This is not to say that the "foot soldiers" will ever be replaced entirely by machines. Just as the sea battle at Midway determined the final outcome of the war in the Pacific Theater, so the successful invasion of Normandy sealed the fate of the Nazi Government of Fortress Europe.

I would like to honor all members of our Fraternity - those Masons who have fought in every war, from the War for Independence to Desert Storm. I am sure you join me in recognizing the valiant effort they have all made to insure the American dream. There were very few bounty payers or draft dodgers in our ranks. Patriotism and devotion to duty are synonymous with Freemasonry. Just as the ancient Templars fought the "great Crusades," so we as modern Templars should continue to fight our Crusade for America!

59th Triennial Conclave

This is the final call for all Templars and their families to attend the 59th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment in Denver next month. The final plans are in place to insure that everyone - voting and nonvoting attendees - will have a typical vacation in "cool, colorful Colorado." The mile-high city of Denver and the Triennial Committee are ready to roll out the red carpet for each of you. All reservations to Gerald A. Ford, 3745 S. Pitkin Circle, Aurora, CO 80013.

William H. Thornley, Jr., GCT, Th.D. Grand Master

Knight Templar

"The Magazine for York Rite Masons - and Others, too"

JULY: For the third year in a row, the Voluntary Campaign brought in well over a million dollars, quite an accomplishment! The campaign breakdown - final figures, top Commanderies, and constituent Commanderies with \$10.00 or more per member - starts on page 5. Our July cover, Grand Master Thornley in his message, and poems by Brother John Jay Daly celebrate the Fourth of July, our flag, and our national heritage. Sir Knights Julius and Webster write about Brothers who were significant to our history. Also, this issue is bursting with items of interest about Sir Knights and Brothers across the country.

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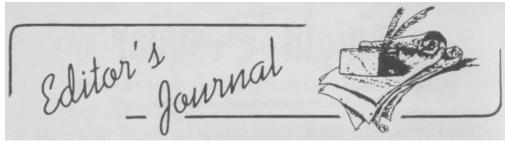
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Attention: All Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be in office as Grand Commanders on November 1, 1994; and Grand Recorders: In the upcoming November issue, *Knight Templar* magazine will again present pictures of those Sir Knights who are Grand Commanders on November 1. Please provide us with a photograph of yourself in uniform by September 10. if your Installation will be in late September or October, order your photo NOW or it will arrive too late for inclusion in the November issue.

Photos may be of any size (they will be reduced as in previous years), preferably black and white of good, clear quality. Color is acceptable. Do not send Polaroid prints as they do not reproduce well. We only use head shots and jewels of office do not appear.

Indicate your name and state on the back of the photograph. Photos are requested by September 10. After that date, It may not be possible to include them In the November magazine.

Announcing: The Widow's Pin to commemorate those who active were Templars: The Most Eminent Grand Master. William Henry Thornley, Jr., has authorized the design and manufacture of a Green pin for widows of those below the rank of Commander and a Red Templar Cross pin for widows of Sir Knights who held office below the rank of Past Grand Commander (this Commanders, Past Commanders, and grand officers.)

You will certainly want to take this opportunity to honor your widows at regular or special programs of your Commandery. Order in lots of 10 at \$5.00 apiece from Sir Knight Herbert Fisher, Honorary P.D.C., 553 Caren Drive, Virginia Beach, VA 23452

Sir Knights, Attention!: An important and invaluable booklet entitled *The York Rite of*

Freemasonry - a History and Handbook, is from the Grand Encampment. Authored by Sir Knight Frederick G. Speidel, KYGCH, Past Grand Preceptor of the Grand College, HRAKTP, and Past Grand Carolina: Commander of North this comprehensive, illustrated 78-page booklet explains the degrees, history, symbolism, and benevolent programs of the Blue Lodge, the Chapter, the Council and the Commandery. with illustrations of the iewels of the officers of each body and the Red Cross, Malta, and Templar banners.

There is no limit on orders: \$1.50 each under 100 copies, \$1.00 each over 100 copies, plus shipping and handling. Write your checks to and mail to the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460

A Pilgrim's Path: Freemasonry and the Religious Right: This is John J. Robinson's last book, and it is now available as a hardbound copy. Every Mason should want this intriguing and educational book in his library.

The book is available for \$15.00 each, plus \$2.50 shipping and handling. Please make checks payable to the Grand Encampment, and send them to the Grand Recorder; the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460

Born In Blood: The exciting book by John J. Robinson is available at the price of \$16.00, including S & H. • Dungeon, Fire and Sword: The Knights Templar in the Crusades. This history of the Knights Templar by the late John J. Robinson is now available for \$20.00 each, plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. Please make checks payable to the Grand Encampment, and send them to the Grand Recorder; Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460

Eye Foundation Campaign Closes

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation reports a contribution total for the 26th Annual Voluntary Campaign of \$1,080,168.72, \$73,133.15 more than last year and exceeding our \$1,000,000 goal by \$80,168.72. A total of 1,131 Commanderies participated in this year's campaign.

New Hampshire joins Georgia and Montana in achieving 100% Life Sponsorship—every Sir Knight in these Grand Commanderies is now a Life Sponsor. Although many more Commanderies have achieved this goal, their entire Grand Commandery has not.

Virginia has taken the lead in total dollars contributed, with Pennsylvania in second position and Texas third. A listing of top Grand Commanderies on a per capita basis finds Virginia first, followed by North Dakota and the District of Columbia, second and third respectively. The top Subordinate Commandery on a per capita basis is Solo Di Aruba Commandery No. 1., Aruba Netherlands Antilles, and the top Subordinate Commandery for total dollars contributed is Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany.

Plaques are being prepared for the 154 Constituent and Subordinate Commanderies that reported contributions of ten dollars or more per member. These Commanderies are listed on the following pages.

Top Grand Commanderies On A Per Capita Basis

No. 1 VIRGINIA \$47.07 per member Total - 4189,957.87
William W. Longworth, Chairman

No. 2 NORTH DAKOTA \$24.25 per member Roald E. Satherhagen, Chairman

No.3 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA \$17.33 per member John C. Werner II, Chairman

Top Subordinate Commandery On Per Capita Basis

Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba Netherlands Antilles \$60.00 per member Total - \$900.00

Top Grand Commanderies In Dollar Totals

No. 1 VIRGINIA Total - \$189,957.87

William W. Longworth, Chairman

No.2 PENNSYLVANIA Total - \$109.259.26

James H. Richards II, Chairman

No.3 TEXAS Total - \$ 81,879.04

Kurt J. M. Swanda, Chairman

Top Subordinate Commandery In Dollar Totals

Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany Total-\$1,330.00

Constituent Commanderies Reporting \$10.00 or More Per Member *ALABAMA:* Anniston No. 23, Anniston; Lee No. 45, Phenix City.

ARIZONA: Ivanhoe No. 2, Prescott; Columbine No. 9, Safford; Yuma No. 10, Yuma; Burning Taper No. 15, Sierra Vista.

ARKANSAS: Olivet No. 20, Blytheville; Osceola No. 32, Osceola. CALIFORNIA: Ukiah No. 33, Ukiah.

COLORADO: Denver-Colorado No. 1, Denver; Central City No. 2, Central City; Georgetown No. 4, Georgetown; Mt. of the Holy Cross No. 5, Leadville; Pikes Peak No. 6, Colorado Springs; Glenwood No. 20, Glenwood Springs; Temple No. 23, Grand Junction; Jefferson-Highlands No. 30, Golden; Coronal-Ascalon No. 31, Denver; St. Bernard No. 41, Denver.

CONNECTICUT, St. Elmo No. 9, Meriden.

DELAWARE: St. John's No. 1, Wilmington; St. Andrew's No. 2, Dover; Trinity No. 3, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Washington No. 1, Washington, D.C.

FLORIDA: Ft. Myers No. 32, Ft. Myers; Winter Haven No. 37, Winter Haven; Cortez No. 44, Spring Hill.

GEORGIA: St. Omer No. 2, Macon; Coeur de Lion No. 4, College Park; DeMolay No. 5,
Americus; Ivanhoe No. 10, Fort Valley; Tancred No. 11, Newnan; Malta No. 16, Valdosta;
St. Elmo No. 21, Brunswick; Alexius No. 22, Jackson; Hebron No. 23, Carrollton; St.
Bernard No. 25, Covington; Charles Martel No. 29, Chickamauga; Arnold De Troye No. 31,
Buford; Griffin No. 35, Griffin; Blue Ridge Mountain No. 37, McCaysville; DeKalb No. 38,
Decatur; Amicalola No. 41, Jasper.

ILLINOIS: Elwood No. 6, Springfield; Beaumanoir No. 9, Decatur; Ottawa No. 10, Ottawa; Sterling No. 57, Sterling; St. Elmo No. 64, Chicago.

INDIANA: St. Anselm, U.D., Indianapolis.

IOWA: Palestine No. 2, Iowa City; Siloam No. 3, Dubuque; Damascus No. 5, Keokuk; St. Simon of Cyrene No. 9, Davenport; Zerubbabel No. 68, Albia; Ascension No. 69, Ames.

KANSAS: Oriental No. 48, Manhattan.

KENTUCKY: Louisville-De Molay No. 12, Louisville; Conrad H. Cates No. 37, Elizabethtown; Mayfield No. 49, Mayfield.

LOUISIANA: Jacques De Molay No. 2, New Orleans; Plains No. 11, Baton Rouge; Payen No. 16, Lafayette.

MARYLAND: Jacques De Molay No. 4, Frederick; St. Bernard No. 9, Hagerstown; St. Elmo No. 12, Hyattsville.

MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND: St. Johns No. 1, Cranston, RI.; Newburyport No. 3, Newburyport, Mass.; St. Bernard No. 12, Boston, Mass.; Haverhill No. 14, Haverhill, Mass.; Athol-Orange No. 37, Athol, Mass.; Bay State No. 38, Brockton, Mass.; Beauseant-Palestine No. 41, Maiden, Mass.; Cambridge No. 42, Cambridge, Mass.

MICHIGAN: Detroit No. 1. Detroit: Redford No. 55. Dearborn.

MINNESOTA: Melita No. 17, Litchfield.

MISSOURI: Hugh De Pavens No. 4, St. Joseph; Mary No. 19, Warrensburg.

MONTANA: Helena No. 2, Helena; Crusade No. 17, Hamilton.

NEBRASKA: Mt. Calvary No. 1, Omaha; St. John No. 16, McCook.

NEVADA: Edward C. Peterson No. 8, Carson City.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: Trinity No. 1, Manchester; Mt. Horeb No. 3, Concord; St. Paul No. 5, Dover; Palestine No. 11, Rochester.

NEW JERSEY: Delta Damascus No. 5, Union.

NEW MEXICO. Santa Fe No. 1, Santa Fe; Las Cruces No. 11, Las Cruces; Sangre De Cristo No. 16, Los Alamos.

NEW YORK: Malta No. 21, Binghamton; Rome No. 45, Rome; Norwich No. 46, Norwich; Otsego No. 76, Cooperstown; Tonawanda No. 78, Tonawanda.

NORTH CAROLINA: Salisbury No. 13, Salisbury.

NORTH DAKOTA: Auvergne No. 2, Fargo.

OHIO: Cincinnati No. 3, Cincinnati; Highland No. 31, Hillsboro.

OKLAHOMA: De Molay No. 7, Chickasha.

OREGON: Temple No. 3, Albany; Eastern Oregon No. 6, La Grande; Bruce No. 17, Corvallis.

PENNSYLVANIA: Pittsburgh, No. 1, Pittsburgh; Jerusalem No. 15, Phoenixville; Allen No. 20, Allentown; Baldwin II No. 22, Williamsport; Packer No. 23, Jim Thorpe; Mary No. 36, Philadelphia; Calvary No. 37, Danville; Knapp No. 40, Ridgway; Reading No. 42, Reading; St. Alban No. 47, Springfield; Rebecca No. 50, Sharon; Kensington-Kadosh No. 54, Jenkintown; Trinity No. 58, Bradford; Warren No. 63, Warren; Nativity No. 71, Pottstown; Duquesne No. 72, Pittsburgh; Mt. Vernon No. 73, Hazetton; Gettysburg No. 79, Gettysburg; Samuel S. Yohe No. 81, Stroudsburg; Mt. Hermon No. 85, Sunbury; Lincoln No. 91, Monroeville; Damascus No. 95, Lansdale; Mizpah No. 96, Doylestown; Bethel No. 98, Hanover; Nazarene No. 99, Montrose; Holyrood No. 100, Kittanning.

TENNESSEE: Paris No. 16, Paris; Kingsport No. 33, Kingsport; Millington No. 39, Millington.

TEXAS: Abilene No. 27, Abilene; Taylor No. 85, Gun Barrel City.; Kilgore No. 104, Kilgore.

VIRGINIA: Charlottesville No. 3, Charlottesville; Portsmouth No. 5, Portsmouth; Dove No. 7, Danville; Lynn No. 9, Marion; Bayard No. 15, Roanoke; Moomaw No. 27, Lexington; Arlington No. 29, Arlington; George W. Wright No. 31, Martinsville; Penn-Neck No. 33, Urbanna.

WASHINGTON: Seattle No. 2, Seattle; St. Helens No. 12, Chehalis; Malta No. 18, Bremerton.

WEST VIRGINIA: Pilgrim No. 21, Elkins.

WISCONSIN: Ivanhoe No. 24. Milwaukee.

WYOMING: Constantine No. 9, Cody; Clelland No. 12, Douglas.

Subordinate Commanderies Reporting \$10.00 or More Per Member

CATANIA, ITALY: Amenano No. 14
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES: Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba

Top Ten Commanderies In Dollar Totals

1. VIRGINIA

2. PENNSYLVANIA

3. TEXAS

4. GEORGIA

5. TENNESSEE

6. OHIO

7. COLORADO

8. MA/RI

9. INDIANA

NORTH DAKOTA

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc-Twenty-sixth Voluntary Campaign

Campaign report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending May 13, 1994. The total amount contributed is \$1,080,168.72.

Alabama	\$6,733.05
Arizona	11,531.85
Arkansas	7,450.06
California	16,251.68
Colorado	33.099.01
Connecticut	11,045.72
Delaware	4,723.10
District of Columbia	7,193.94
Florida	24,815.94
Georgia	64,432.38
Idaho	3,629.12
	26,107.40
IllinoisIndiana	30.51497
lowa	17,587.04
Kansas	5,449.00
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Kentucky	19,496.65
Louisiana	10,956.90
Maine	5,369.18
Maryland	15,007.76
Mass./R.1	31,850.90
Michigan	22,133.25
Minnesota	7,615.55
Mississippi	5,070.00
Missouri	17,424.86
Montana	7,689.00
Nebraska	10,652.66
Nevada	7,612.25
New Hampshire	9,178.89
New Jersey	8,324.30
New Mexico	6,034.45
New York	11,443.58
North Carolina	17,346.20
North Dakota	26,991.99
Ohio	37,876.97
Oklahoma	2,038.30
Oregon	12,441.72
Pennsylvania	109,259.26
South Carolina	18,944.59
South Dakota	1,856.69
Tennessee	42,143.24
Texas	81,879.04
Utah	4,729.57
Vermont	4,074.20
Virginia	189,957.87
Washington	9,478.05
West Virginia	13,001.00
Wisconsin	9,619.73
Wyoming	5,667.59
Honolulu No. 1, Hawaii	20.00
Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks	100.00

Porto Rico No. 1	750.00
Anchorage No. 2, Alaska	100.00
Ivanhoe No. 2, Mexico	197.00
Tokyo No. 1, Japan	1,117.00
Heidelberg No. 2, Germany .	1,330.00
Italy Subordinates	1,000.00
Solo di Aruba No. 1	900.00
Miscellaneous	20,924.27

100% Life Sponsorship Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Mizpah Commandery No. 53 Oak Lawn, IL

Mary Commandery No. 36 Philadelphia, PA

PittsburghCommandery No. 1
Pittsburgh, PA

Coeur de Lion Commandery No.9 Knoxville, TN

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. New Club Memberships

Grand Commander's Club

Correction:

No. 100,149-J. Melvin Nelson (AZ)

No. 100,151-T. Harold Wilson (GA)

New:

No. 100,152-William E. Weigand (PA)
No. 100,153-William R. Squier(PA)
No. 100,154-Emile J. Lallement, Jr. (NV)
No. 100,155-Donald N. Lear (GA)
No. 100,156-E. C. Kelley, Jr. (GA)
No. 100,157-Ernest C. Kelley, Sr. (GA)
No. 100,158-James H. Hunter, Jr. (GA)
No. 100,159-Grady T. Bozeman (GA)
No. 100,160-Lawrence Turner (GA)
No. 100,161-G. Canton Stevens (VA)
No. 100,162-Richard D. Krattet (IA)
No. 100,163-Virgil K. Ballard (KY)
No. 100,164-Earl M. Fretwell, Jr. (PA)
No. 100,165-Paul H. Ripley, Sr. (MD)

No. 100,166-Edgar A. Rockwell, Sr. (KY) No. 100,167-Jerry F. Tryon (NY)

No. 100,168-Lewis H. O'Hara (OH)

No. 100,169-Mrs. Mary A. Williamson (CA)

No. 100,170-Clarence A. Beale (PA) No. 100,171-Dr. Glen W. Olsen (PA)

No. 100,172-Arthur Roger Voss (AZ)

No. 100,173-Herbert Henry Jacobs (AZ)

No. 100,174-RoyG. Ives (AZ)

No. 100,175-Royce F Davenport (AZ)

No. 100,176-Oscar Doyle Sims (AZ)

No. 100,177-Donald M. Smith (TN)

No. 100,178-Leroy E. Fackler (FL) No. 100,179-T. R. Gamel (GA)

No. 100,180--Warren Romaine (NY)

Grand Master's Club

Correction:

No. 2,210-Thomas M. Lowery, Sr. (TN) by St Elmo Commandery No. 4

New:

No. 2,212-George Haron McLendon (GA)

No. 2,213-Eugene V. Herrmann (PA)

No. 2,242-Mrs. Rachel Prewitt (OH)

No. 2,243-James R. McNutt (OH)

No. 2.244-Frederick David Fennell (GA)

No. 2,245-Norman L. Hoff (CO) by Denver-Colorado Commandery No. 1

No. 2,246-Robert W. Caddes (CO) by Denver-Colorado Commandery No. 1

No. 2,247-C. F. Dennis, Sr. (GA)

No. 2,248-Robert H. Kines, Jr. (GA)

No. 2,249-John Henry Gruver (GA)

No. 2,250-Lloyd E. Manter (PA)

No. 2,251-Mrs. Nancy P. Pearson (GA)

No. 2,252-Mrs. Betty Jo Elliott (VA)

No. 2,253-Mrs. Betty Jo Elliott (VA)

No. 2,254-Robert P. Winterhalter (MA/RI) G.

C. Club membership completed by Milford Commandery No. 11

No. 2,255-Robert Lawrence Gumfory (AZ)

No. 2,256-C. D. Elliott, Jr. (VA)

No. 2,257-Jessie Ephlin (AR) G.C. Club

membership completed by Osceola Commandery

No. 2,258-Troy Floyd (AR) G. C. Club membership completed by Osceola Commandery No. 32

No. 2,259-Harold Smith (AR) G. C. Club

membership completed by Osceola Commandery No. 32

No. 2,260-Edwin Jack Jones (TN)

No. 2,261-W. C. Schroeder (WI)

How to join: Any individual may send a check in the amount of \$100 or more specified for the purpose of beginning a Grand Commander's Club membership and made payable to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This initial contribution will begin your Grand Commander's Club membership. In addition, members of the Grand Commander's Club pledge to make annual contributions of \$100 or more. Once contributions total \$1,000, the individual is enrolled in the Grand Master's Club. Membership is open to individuals only, and there is now Commandery credit given for participation. Information is available from: Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, IL 62705, (217) 523-3838.

Grand Master's Club And Grand Commander's Club Pins

Grand Master Thornley is pleased to announce that, for all who became members of the Grand Master's and Grand Commander's Club after July 1, 1992, new pins will be issued at no charge to the recipients. If you became a member of either club prior to that date and would like a pin for yourself, send a \$10.00 donation to the Eye Foundation in Springfield and you will receive one.

Knights Templar Stein To Benefit Knights Templar Eye Foundation

This first, limited edition, Masonic Knights Templar stein will benefit the Eye Foundation. This stein is the first in a series representing different Masonic bodies that will be produced over the next eight years. Each stein is 20-oz. with custom-made, brown body with a lid and shell handle, and includes nine pieces of artwork on the body. Each is hand-painted in 22c gold and platinum, and fired for seven days. Then three other colors (black, dark brown and red) are added to make up the beautiful five-color effect of this Masonic stein. Each stein is numbered for the limited edition; this series contains one thousand pieces.

The cost of this stein is \$45.00, which will include shipping and handling, and of this amount \$10.00 goes to the Eye Foundation. Each contains a certificate of authenticity. This will make a great gift for Christmas, or any gift occasion, for a Sir Knight.

If interested, please send check or money order to: Stanley C. Buz, P.O. Box 702, Whitehall, PA 18052. Shipment will be in approximately twenty-one days after receipt of order. Phone number: (610) 770-9416.

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In Memoriam



Donald A. Dapp Washington Grand Commander-1981 Born May 4, 1917 Died April 19, 1994

Albert Andrew Remington III Massachusetts/Rhode Island Grand Commander-1985 Born April 21, 1933 Died May 9, 1994

Robert Samuel Allen Wyoming Grand Commander-1967 Born May 26, 1920 Died May 9, 1994

Karl A. Crane
Wisconsin
Grand Commander-1966
Born March 10, 1911
Died May 14, 1994

James Scully
New Jersey
Grand Commander-1986
Born January 29, 1922
Died May 19, 1994

J. Shubel Robbins Louisiana Grand Commander-1973 Born December 14, 1914 Died May 20, 1994

Barney Louis Mulhern Louisiana Grand Commander-1956 Born March 15, 1901 Died May 30, 1994

Donald J. McLain Iowa Grand Commander-1991 Born February 1, 1923 Died June 6, 1994

Sir Knight In Memory of My Father

Knights to the front.
Knights to the rear.
Amidst pomp and ceremony
Occurs a fleeting flicker
Of an ancient seer.

Wisdom long buried and forgotten Comes briefly to life within these walls. It touches all who enter here, Leaving them changed as was Sol.

Knights to the front.
Knights to the rear.
A Star was in the east
Proclaiming Him to all who would hear.

Forces white and forces black The battle yet rages on. In a life free from fright There marches on a stalwart few.

For us they are called Sir Knight.

Kenneth W. Cheeseman

Kenneth W. Cheeseman wrote the above poem in memory of his father, Marcus L. Cheeseman, P.G.C. of Arizona. It was published in the Arizona Daily Star on January 2, 1994. Marcus passed away January 5, 1989. Kenneth wrote this on the fifth anniversary of his fathers death.

Highlights

Illinois Inspection and Proposal

At the inspection of Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 38 in Paxton, Illinois, on February 5, 1994, Commander Douglas Niewold added to the ritual by proposing to his Lady Deana at the evening dinner. Looking on is the inspecting officer, Sir Knight Richard Salsbury, Grand Junior Warden of Illinois, and his Lady Nancy. This may attract other young Sir Knights and start a new tradition at inspections.



Florida Sir Knight Awarded 1994 Ellis Island Medal of Honor

Sir Knight James S. Scofield, a life member of Sunshine Commandery No. 20, St. Petersburg, Florida, has been awarded the 1994 Ellis island Medal of Honor in ceremonies held in the Great Hall of historic Ellis island located in New York Harbor. The award gala was National sponsored by the Ethnic Coalition of Organizations, representing largest ethnic and heritage organizations in the United States.

Sir Knight Scofield, retired former news research coordinator of the St. Petersburg Times, was selected for his significant contributions to America's heritage. One of his honors was winning the highest international award in news librarianship lifetime achievements for his and pioneering accomplishments in establishing world standards for electronic news research systems.

New York Sir Knights Perform at Canadian York Rite Presentation

On Tuesday, April 5, 1994, New York Sir Knights visited Palmer Lodge No. 372, A.F. & A.M., Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada. They had been invited to put on a Commandery drill and give brief talks on the Royal Arch Masons, Cryptic Masons, and the Knights Templar in New York State. It was the first time the Commanderies have put on the demonstration outside New York State. ΑII necessary approvals were obtained to perform the drill, and the presentation including the drill lasted approximately forty-five minutes. Knights from the following came Commanderies: Red Jacket No. 81, Batavia No. 34, Lake Ontario No. 20, and Cyrene Monroe No. 12. Below is a picture of the Worshipful Master of Palmer Lodge, Terrence Roy Beddell (right), and Sir Knights Steven Wing, P.G.C. (left), and Ronald J. Bertie, Grand Generalissimo (middle).



More on Kit Carson's Masonic Family

Sir Knight James A. Marples, author of "Kit Carson - A Freemason with a Masonic Family" (April 1994), relates that he has received two letters, which greatly expand this uniquely Masonic family.

The first letter came from a 100-year-old gentleman, Sir Knight Harry Carson Davidson, 33°, of Shreveport, Louisiana, who stated that his grandfather was a cousin to Kit Carson. Sir Knight Harry was born in Kansas City on May 24, 1894, and we salute him on his centennial of life.

from the Masonic Family

The second letter came from Kit Carson's youngest granddaughter, Anna Josephine Carson Lange of Kenosha, Wisconsin. She stated that her father Charles Carson was a Freemason at La Junta, Colorado, and he was Kit's youngest son. She also added that Charles was one of eight children of Josepha Jaramillo, Kit's second wife.

Sir Knight Glen L. Bower Honored Again

Sir Knight Glen L. Bower of Gorin Commandery No. 14, Olney, Illinois, was recently named co-chair of Illinois Secretary of State George H. Ryan's new organ and tissue donor advisory panel. The panel of experts was created to advise the Secretary on new program initiatives.

Further, Sir Knight Bower was awarded the Alumni Achievement Award and delivered the commencement address for the College of Liberal Arts at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Bower chairs the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, which administers \$7.5 billion in annual benefits. A former Effingham County state's attorney, he also worked for seven years as assistant director and general counsel of Illinois' Department of Revenue. He earned a bachelor's degree in government from SIUC in 1971 and a law degree from Illinois Institute of Technology/Chicago-Kent College of Law in 1974.

New York Sir Knights In York Rite Presentation

On April 28, 1994, the Sir Knights from Red Jacket Commandery No. 81 and Zenobia Commandery No. 41 put on a Commandery drill and York Rite presentation to the Wayne District Masonic Fellowship Association.

The Sir Knights had been invited to put on a York Rite presentation. After the Commandery drill, they gave talks on the Royal Arch Masons, Cryptic Masons, Knights Templar, and the Shrine. There were approximately one hundred Masons at the meeting and two men asked for petitions at the meeting.

Below is a picture of the President and Vice President of the district and members of the two Commanderies. The York Rite team currently has requests from over twenty-five Lodges to make the presentation.



Virginia Sir Knight, Harley Ray Ayers Named Kentucky Colonel

Recently named a Kentucky Colonel, Sir Knight Harley Ray Ayers of Ewing, Virginia, is also a Past District Deputy Grand Commander of the Eighth District of the Knights Templar of Virginia, Commander of Thomas S. Ely Commandery, and the Virginia Chairman of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

He is a retired coal miner from the Mountain Drive Coal Company and is very active in many civic organizations. including Masonic ones. Among his accomplishments are: membership in Martins Station Lodge No. 188, A.F. & A.M.; member of Preston Lodge No. 47; 32° Scottish Rite Mason; High Priest of W.I. Fowler Royal Arch Chapter No. 85; member of Jewel of the Craft, London, England; Super Excellent Masters Degree Noble Grand of Weston Lodge No. 178: Chief Patriarch of White Rock Encampment No. 16, and trustee of Weston Lodge No. 178.

Sir Knight Ayers is shown at right with his certificate naming him a Kentucky Colonel.



York Rite Awards Program Sponsored By Kenton Commandery No. 58, Kenton, Ohio

Recorder Everett F. Bushong of Kenton Commandery No. 58, Kenton, Ohio, writes that an awards night dinner and program were held on April 29, 1994, in an effort toward York Rite unity. Commander and Reverend Pascal A. King served toastmaster, and officers of other bodies also participated. Approximately one hundred members and guests were present, while all bodies honored different members. About the same number of persons attended the Kenton Commandery inspection the following dav with Inspector George Davidson, R.E.P.G.C.



Left to right: William H. Koon II, G.C.G. and Division Commander, 1st Div.; Paul E. Sloan, 50year member, Commandery; and Paul J. Hatcher, III. Master, Kenton Council No. 65.



Left to right: William H. Koon II, G.C.G. and Division Commander, 1st Div.; Elton D. Reber, 50year member, Commandery and Council; and Paul J. Hatcher, III. Master, Kenton Council No. 65.



Left to right: William H. Koon II, G.C.G. and Division Commander, 1st Div.; Wayne I. Dugan, 50-year member, Commandery; and Paul J. Hatcher, III. Master, Kenton Council No. 65.

New Mexico York Rite Honors Sir Knight M. Harper McGee

Members of New Mexico's York Rite Masonic community honored Sir Knight M. Harper McGee for his tireless work over the years with Metro DeMolay Chapter in Albuquerque. At a public installation of officers, Sir Knight McGee was conducted to the altar and presented with a 50-year DeMolay pin and certificate.

Pictured from left to right: front row: Sir Knight Danny ft Calloway, P.G.M. and Executive Officer of DeMolay for New Mexico; Sir Knight M. Harper



McGee, WagonMaster of the Ballut Abyad Shrine Nomads and Past President of Shrine Clowns; Sir Knight Lowell R. Charlie" Loucks, Master of Temple Lodge No. 6, Albuquerque, and member of NM Grand Lodge Public Relations Committee; Sir Knight George Wright, P.G.M. and chairman of Metro DeMolay Chapters advisory board; and Tom Denslow, Past International Master Couselor of DeMolay. Back row: Sir Knight Irvin L. Emmons, P.M., Jurisdictional Conclave and 75th DeMolay Anniversary Director for NM; Sir Knight Wesley Thornton, Director of NM Knighthood, Order of DeMolay, and Sec./Treas. of Ballut Abyad Shrine Mounted Patrol; and Brother John Denslow, Jurisdictional Chapter Advisor for DeMolay in NM and manager of the Ballut Abyad Shrine Band.

Brotherly Love and Charity

Shortly after receiving the gavel as Master of my Lodge, I noticed that our room adjacent to the Lodge room was without knockers.

As a Knight Templar, I was familiar with Knight Templar and its "Knight Voices."

I developed a short advertisement about a small, struggling Lodge being in search of a set of knockers. I added 'We prefer a used set for the sentimental value they would have for us." On a certain Thursday I received my April *Knight Templar* magazine in which our ad was printed.

On the following Sunday, only three short days after the receipt of my issue of the magazine, a knock was heard on our door. There to present a beautiful set of Masonic door knockers was Brother Arthur McKinney, who, along with his wife, had driven nonstop from West Hartford, Connecticut, to Craftsbury. "No problem," they said. "We travel all over and are used to it from our days of Masonic visitations." Brother Art was a Past Grand Master for Connecticut and had this Masonic equipment from the dismantling of the Grand Lodge in Hartford - a similar situation to the sale of the old GL building in Burlington. He wanted to see them "used for the purpose for which they had been made."

It was certainly a great thrill for me to install two beautiful brass knockers, which incorporate Masonic working tools and meaningful designs, on our Lodge room doors. We love them!

This truly is an example of Love and Charity practiced between Masons, Lodges, and grand jurisdictions!

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Warren La Rue Thomas Seventeenth Grand Master 1895-1898 (Continued)

He was untiring in his efforts to advance the interests of the Grand Encampment. He made many official visits and developed a wide circle of acquaintances and friends throughout the nation. He felt that the great Order of Christian Knighthood had much to offer, and stated in his address at the Triennial Conclave held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1898:

"Our Order has grown to gigantic proportions, and is today the object of respect and admiration of the world. The best, the purest, the noblest men of our country acknowledge fealty to this grand body, and practice the virtues that they have learned in our asylums. Our beautiful banners occupy the loftiest heights, borne and upheld by loyal and loving hands. The great truths we teach, founded as they are on the word of God, as exemplified by the life of His Blessed Son, have taken deep root in the hearts of men and will continue to grow and spread until they shall permeate the darkest spots of the earth. Mankind shall be lifted up from the thralldom of darkness and selfishness and all the baser instincts of his nature, and occupy the proud position he should as the living image of the God who made him. Then shall be the fruition of our

hopes, then will be the mission of our Order fulfilled, then will 'the reign of Emmanuel, the Prince of Peace, the Grand Captain of our salvation, be perfect and everlasting."

Sir Knight Thomas was a man of splendid character and sterling qualities, an earnest and honorable citizen, broadminded, affable and considerate of the rights of others. His fund of good humor and his cheery voice made him a central figure of every assembly of which he was a part.

Reuben Hedley Lloyd Eighteenth Grand Master 1898-1901

Reuben H. Lloyd was born in Ireland in 1835. As a child he came to the United States with his mother and for a time lived in the state of Ohio. In 1853 he moved to San Francisco, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was an apt student and soon became proficient in the study of law. After serving for a time as chief clerk in the office of McDougall and Sharp. he was admitted as a partner. In 1860 the firm was reorganized as Sharp and Lloyd and continued until the death of Mr. Sharp. In 1875 the firm of Lloyd and Wood was established achieved distinction throughout country. His professional attainments gave Sir Knight Lloyd a high position in the California Courts and among the leaders of the profession.

His professional activities were so great that he never accepted positions of judicial trust or political honor. The only office he ever consented to hold was that of park commissioner, and the beautiful

park, the pride of San Francisco, remains a monument to his ability and devotion. He was never married, but made his home with his widowed mother until his death.

earthquake of 1906 The great destroyed his home and business office. This great shock together with his arduous and prolonged efforts to render aid to his fellow citizens during this catastrophe broke his strong constitution. Finally in 1908 he was forced to retire from his labors and on March 10, 1909, he passed away.

The funeral services, held in Albert Pike Memorial Temple, were under the auspices of California Commandery No. 1 of which he was a member. There was a large attendance of the leading citizens of San Francisco. The Masonic and Templar cortege was most imposing in its funeral array and all the stately solemnity of the ritual of the Order of the Temple was strictly and majestically maintained. He was buried in Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Sir Knight Lloyd was made a Master Mason in Oriental Lodge in San Francisco in 1873. In 1891 he was installed as Worshipful Master.

He was exalted in California Chapter in 1873. He always maintained a deep interest in Capitular Masonry but never held office in the Chapter.

He was a member of San Francisco Consistory No. 1 and attained the 33°.

He was created a Knight Templar in California Commandery No. 1 in San Francisco in January, 1874. He became Eminent Commander in 1881, serving two years. In 1881 he was elected Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Commandery of California and in 1886 was elected Grand Commander, holding that office for two years.

At the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment held in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1886, he was elected Grand Senior

Warden. In 1898 he was elected Grand Master.

His administration was distinguished for its wise, conservative and loyal adherence to the principles and practice of the Christian virtues. He brought to the office all his great legal acumen and skill, which enabled him to advance the cause of the Order with firmness and justice. In his address he stated words which would well be said now:

"The sphere of our usefulness is gradually enlarging. Our labors are but commencing. We must press onward until liberty and enlightenment shall illumine the world; until every land and every people shall have heard, and rejoiced at the fulfillment of the proclamation, made by the angels at the coming of Him whose followers we are, 'On Earth Peace, Good will toward men.'"



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Old Glory

These poems were presented to National Sojourners by Brother John Jay Daly some time before he was called to eternal rest December 16, 1978, in Washington, D.C. They are the property of National Sojourners, Inc., 8,301 E. Boulevard Drive, Alexandria, VA 22308

A Toast To The Flag

Here's to the red of it—
There's not a thread of it,
No, not a shred of it
In all the spread of it
From foot to head,
But heroes bled for it,
Faced steel and lead for it,
Precious blood shed for it,
Bathing it Red!

Here's to the white of it— Thrilled by the sight of it, Who knows the right of it But feels the might of it Through day and night? Womanhood's care for it Made manhood dare for it, Purity's prayer for it Keeps it so white!

Here's to the blue of it—
Beauteous view of it,
Heavenly hue of it,
Star spangled dew of it
Constant and true;
Diadems gleam for it,
States stand supreme for it,
Liberty's beam for it
Brightens the Blue!

Here's to the whole of it— Stars, stripes and pole of it, Body and Soul of it, O, and the roll of it, Sun shining through; Hearts in accord for it, Swear by the sword for it, Thanking the Lord for it, Red, White and Blue!

John Daly-1917

To The Colors

Some regiments, when on dress parade, Adorn their flags with strips of braid, Edges encased in a fringe of gold, Tarnished to yellow as the day grows old; Certainly no way to elicit a cheer—Yellow, the symbol of a coward's fear.

No place for intrusion such as this; forlorn.

Cling close to the colors in which it was born: Thirteen stripes—the Red and the White, Lord, O Lord, what a beautiful sight.

Fifty stars on a field of Blue

Shed their light on a precious view.

Rejoice in our duty
Of guarding its beauty.
This is Old Glory, the flag of flags,
Upholding your spirit whenever it sags.
This is the emblem of liberty.
This is the soul of a nation free.
This is the guideline that carries us through,
Flying it always as Red, White and Blue.

L'Envoy: The point not to miss Is this: These are the colors of the U.S.A.— To be kept that way No yellow, Fellow!

John Daly-1971

General Anthony Wayne was born in the township of Easttown, Chester County, Pennsylvania, on January 1, 1745, the son of a prosperous farmer who also owned a tannery.

From the time he was a little boy, playing war games with his friends in Paoli, Anthony Wayne wanted to be a soldier. On arriving at young manhood, however, he found himself in a world at peace. He became a land surveyor specializing in expeditions into the wilderness.

In 1766, the twenty-one-year-old Wayne married sixteen-year-old Polly Penrose of Philadelphia. Polly was a refined, slender blond who showed considerable self-reliance during her husband's long absences from home, and his many affairs with other women.

Aside from fighting, General Wayne's favorite activity was chasing young women. This annoyed George Washington, who accused Wayne of being "a roué."

The marriage produced a son and a daughter, but little happiness. A coolness seems to have settled between Anthony and Polly very early in their marriage.

In his early twenties, Anthony Wayne traveled far and wide on surveying expeditions, some of which took him to Canada. In his late twenties, he was forced to stay closer to home to manage the farms and tannery he inherited from his father.

Wayne was thirty-one years old when America declared her independence from Great Britain in 1776. He promptly obtained a colonel's commission in the Continental Army, and marched off to Canada with the relief column sent to Arnold's aid at Quebec.

Although the Quebec expedition was a disaster for the Americans, Colonel

Mad Anthony Wayne

by Sir Knight C. Clark Julius

Wayne performed so well that he was elevated to George Washington's staff in 1777. As an advisor to the commander-in-chief, Wayne consistently advocated aggressive tactics. On one occasion, when every other man on Washington's staff was advocating retreat, Washington asked Wayne's advice and was not surprised to hear, "Fight, sir!"

At Germantown in 1777, Wayne led his troops down Shippack Road in an attack so furious that the British retreated for the first time since Bunker Hill. In an attempt to rally his troops, the British Commander General Howe rode among them shouting, For shame, light infantry! I never saw you retreat before." A few minutes later, the British rank-and-file could not help laughing when Howe and his staff themselves took flight. "This is the first time we have retreated from the Americans," a young British officer wrote in a letter home.

As a general on Washington's staff, Wayne was invited to parties in the best social circles, where his behavior toward

the ladies caused some scandal. Shortly before the Battle of Brandywine, the Marquis de Lafayette introduced Wayne to Mary Vining, nineteen years old, of Wilmington, Delaware. Lafayette claimed that Mary was "the most beautiful girl in America." She was quick-witted, an accomplished coquette, who charmed all the French officers with her saucy remarks in perfect French. She was fond of saying, "Kiss my hand, you rogue."

General Wayne fell head-over-heels in love with her. Awkwardly, the married warrior told Mary that, as long as he lived, his sword would be at her service.

Mary was accustomed to men dedicating their lives to her. She looked critically at his cumbersome service sword and said, "For such a knight, a sword should be as graceful as his wit. You need, my general, a suaver sword."

Despite this unpromising response, Wayne continued to pursue Mary with the same reckless gallantry he displayed

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against the British. Mary's feelings toward the general seem to have warmed as his reputation for heroism grew with every battle. Wounded, or with horses shot out from under him, Wayne never stopped fighting. Nine months after her first meeting with Wayne, Mary gave him a beautiful dress sword with a silver handle.

In planning battles, Washington always stationed Wayne at the point of attack, closest to the British. In July of 1779, Washington asked Wayne to lead a bayonet charge against Stony Point, a

fort high above the Hudson River. Wayne's reaction to being selected for this risky task was, 'General, if only you will plan it, I'll storm Hell!"

Washington mildly responded, "Perhaps, General Wayne, we had better try Stony Point first."

Leading the charge up Stony Point, General Wayne was hit in the forehead with a musket ball. He fell. He thought he was dying and asked his men to carry him up the ramparts and into the fort, so that he could taste victory before death. But Wayne's wound was not mortal. The ball had grazed, not penetrated, his skull.

One of the most trying times of the Revolution for Wayne was caused not by the British but by his own troops, the Pennsylvania Line. On New Year's Day, 1781, his disgruntled veterans mutinied near Morristown, New Jersey. Some of them had not been paid for a year, their clothes and food were paltry, and their enlistments had run out. They made up their minds to march to Philadelphia and force the government to pay them.

Hearing a stirring outside his tent, Wayne emerged with two pistols cocked, but the mutiny was too advanced for him to quell it. He was surrounded by the mutineers, their bayonets at his throat. They told him that they had nothing against him, but they were determined to get their rights from the Pennsylvania government.

Wayne had been fully aware of his soldier's needs and had importuned the Pennsylvania government incessantly to stop neglecting the troops. Now with anarchy broken loose, the government had little choice but to act. Wayne arranged to have the chief executive of Pennsylvania come to Princeton to negotiate with the desperate troops. A settlement was reached.

Later that year, when Wayne was leading his men south, another mutiny broke out near York, Pennsylvania. This

time, Wayne was prepared to nip the insurrection in the bud. The ringleaders were knocked to the ground by officers, court-martialed before the army, and ordered to be executed promptly by a firing squad composed of their friends and followers.

Wayne addressed the firing squad as follows: You are privileged to select your own authority on the spot!" He pointed to the mutineers. 'Either fire at them, or," he pointed to his chest, "fire on me ... Take your choice. Fire!" The rifles cracked; the mutineers fell.

And he demanded loyalty, so he gave it, and to no one more than to his commander-in-chief George Washington.

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When Washington learned that Benedict Arnold, the commander of West Point, had defected to the enemy, he said, "Whom can we now trust?" The answer came to him a moment later, and he sent word to Wayne, sixteen miles away, to come immediately with his forces to West Benedict Point. Since Arnold deliberately left West Point in a weakened condition, it was feared that the British would attack the fort momentarily. Wayne marched his army the sixteen miles in four hours. Washington said, "Now all is safe, and I am happy again."

General Wayne acquired his nickname of "Mad" Anthony at Yorktown in 1781.

When Wayne ordered that a drunken soldier be punished for unruly behavior, the soldier shouted, "Anthony is mad! Mad Anthony!" The label caught on and stuck. A strong adjective was needed to describe the general's bloodand-thunder personality.

General "Mad" Anthony Wayne was the most combative officer in George Washington's army during the American Revolution. He loved war. When General Wayne was in a optimistic mood, he made remarks like, "The sword shall be drunk with blood - and mercy stand suspended!" Before the Battle of Germantown he described his anticipation: "My heart sits lightly in its mansion - every artery beats in unison - and I feel an unusual ardor."

General Wayne received his most severe wound near Yorktown when, arriving at Lafayette's camp after a long ride, he gave the password, but was misunderstood by the sentry, who fired a shot through Wayne's thigh. The wounded general apparently felt no ill-will toward the sentry. "The poor fellow," Wayne wrote, "being panic-stricken and mistaking me for the British, immediately fired his piece."

The wound caused a sympathetic pain in Wayne's foot, a pain that was the beginning of a gout that would plague him all his life, finally causing his death.

Wayne also carried with him after the war the wound inflicted by Cupid, his passion for Mary Vining. She apparently fell in love with Wayne during the war. She was so witty that her letters to Wayne would undoubtedly make entertaining reading, if they still existed. Unfortunately, Wayne's son destroyed most of his father's correspondence after his father's death.

Because Wayne had spent part of the war chasing the British out of Georgia, the government of that state voted to give him a big rice plantation. He moved to Georgia and took charge of the

plantation, but lost money at a disastrous rate and was forced out of business. In 1790, Wayne was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives, but his seat was lost due to election fraud.

In 1791, President Washington offered Wayne the post of Commander-in-Chief of the United Sates Army. Wayne was delighted at this opportunity to escape from civilian life. He hurried west to Fort Pitt to organize a campaign against the Indians of Ohio. He was out west fighting Indians when his wife Polly died in 1793.

In 1794, Wayne crushed the Indians and their British-Canadian allies at the Battle of Fallen Timbers. In 1796 he

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returned to a hero's welcome in Philadelphia, where he immediately paid his respects to Mary Vining. She was thirty-nine by that time, but still exceedingly beautiful.

General Wayne, fifty-two, began visiting Mary daily and publicly. Nobody was surprised when their engagement was announced. Before the planned wedding, however, General Wayne had to return to Ohio, to reclaim the forts being relinquished by the British.

He went west but never returned. The wounds, the privations, the exposure to wet and cold, and the ravages of gout over the years had taken their toll. General Wayne died at Presque Isle (now Erie, Pennsylvania) in December of 1796. He was buried there, as he had requested on his deathbed at the foot of the flagpole.

In 1809, his family and neighbors around Paoli decided to bring his body back to the family graveyard in Radnor,

Pennsylvania. His son drove a one-horse sulky across the Appalachians to bring his father's body home to rest.

The sulky was too small to hold a coffin, so in a rather gruesome operation, the flesh was removed from Wayne's skeleton and was placed back in the coffin, which was reburied in the original grave in Erie. The bones were brought back over the mountains by Wayne's son in his sulky, and were buried with considerable ceremony in Radnor.

As a result, General Anthony Wayne has the rather disconcerting distinction of having two graves.

Brother William A. Denslow wrote in his book, 10,000 Famous Freemasons:

'He is said to have been a Freemason, but his lodge has not been identified with certainty. He is credited with membership in Winchester Lodge No. 12, but no location is given for it. Sache refers to him *in his Old Masonic Lodges of Pennsylvania* as a Mason, and states that in June 1778 he 'gave a grand entertainment and banquet to the members of the Masonic fraternity.' On July 16, 1857 the Grand Lodge of New York dedicated a monument to his memory at Stony Point, N.Y. d. Dec. 15, 1796."

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Traditional Christian Values Vs. Destructive Fanaticism

by Sir Knight W. J. "Bill" Malina, P.C.

Christianity in the United States has, in recent years, ceased being a dynamic influence upon American culture. Many of today's cultural and moral norms are becoming increasingly hostile to traditional Christian values.

Christianity, to great extent, has brought some of this hostility upon itself. Many visible or high profile churches and denominations have become filled with destructive fanaticism. The public believes what it sees; the public believes what it hears; therefore, it measures Christianity and Christian values by what the visible or high profile churches and denominations preach and teach.

There is, of course, room for differing opinions in Christianity. In fact, it may be healthy and necessary for Christianity to have controversy within itself if it is to maintain a dynamic equilibrium among its adherents. The problem is that many matters vital to Christianity's mission are either supported or opposed by destructive fanaticism. Too much attention is focused upon the controversy and not enough on the solution.

The founders of the United States were well aware of the dangers of uniting the church with the state. Thev were. however, convinced that the dynamic influence of religion upon individuals would produce a government supportive of traditional Judeo-Christian values and morals. There can be no doubt that Christian values played, and continue to play, an important role in correcting social iniustices. However. it must acknowledged that the cultural makeup of the United States is changing.

American society is being augmented by people who do not come from Judeo-Christian religions or backgrounds. This also contributes to the dilution of the influence of Christianity upon social behavior.

Destructive fanaticism and the dilution of Christian influence are the two main reasons for today's American society becoming increasingly hostile to traditional Christian values.

The dominant cultural values of today are focused upon power, wealth, and sex. American society has learned to cope with power and wealth, but it has not learned to cope with sex as it is manifested by the increasing role of women in business, religion and politics; the openness of promiscuity, homosexuality, and bisexuality; and the various issues and questions concerning abortion. The public sees and hears destructive fanaticism from both sides, pro and con. If the public does not like what it sees and hears, it assumes a passive stand and thereby further dilutes Christian influence by remaining silent on the issues.

What can Masonry, particularly Templary, do counteract the moral and spiritual deterioration that is taking place in today's society? Freemasonry has not yet been plagued with destructive fanaticism from within. It has, however, been attacked from without by the same destructive fanaticism that threatens Christian values. Freemasonry chooses to maintain a low public profile on all social, political, and religious issues; however, it does, with much effect, insist upon high moral standards of

behavior among its members and in their relationships with and within society, business, and politics. It is safe to say that Masonry is supportive of Judeo-Christian values and ideals, which in and of themselves are not incongruent with the moral values and ideals of almost all other religions which believe in God as the creator or master of the universe.

When the United States was founded and during its formative years, Masonry was very influential in setting the values of

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the people who shaped the moral ethics of the country. Freemasonry did not directly influence any one principle upon which the United States was formed, but by having been a direct influence upon the philosophy of individuals was able to encourage those individuals to exert their convictions upon the founders of the country.

The modus operandi of Freemasonry remains the same today. To be effective, Masonry must become and remain a dynamic influence upon its members, who must accept responsibility to speak up in favor of traditional Judeo-Christian values and against moral decay in their communities.

Being a passive Christian just does not get the job done. Being a passive Christian means that a person permits the public to believe that he or she agrees with the destructive fanaticism that plagues Christianity today. By being a passive Mason, particularly a passive

Templar, one indicates that he is a passive supporter of impure and defiled religion.

On the other hand, any Mason, even though he is not active in the Fraternity, but who is influenced positively by its teachings, and who is active in his church, temple, or synagogue can, if he chooses, be a dynamic influence in counteracting the effects of destructive fanaticism.

Every Christian Mason must determine for himself how he is going to apply his Masonic ideals and Christian values to every controversial issue that comes before his church, his community, and his nation. It is not enough to be passively for or against something; it is necessary to become constructively active, to let others know how he feels.

Jesus said, "No one lights a lamp and puts it in a place where it will be hidden or under a bowl. Instead he puts it on its stand, so that those who come in may see the light." (Luke 11:33 NIV) Jesus might just as well have said, No one who wants to be an influence upon others studies Christian values and then hides them from society. Instead he makes them and how he feels about them known so that others will be able to see their worth."

The charge given by the Savior to each and every Christian is, Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven." (Matthew 5:16 NIV) Don't just sit there, stand up and do something constructive, for there is no higher or better praise that a person can give to God than to live an active, exemplary, moral, and Christlike life.

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Some people seem to have misfortunes throughout their lives that do not deter them from retries and successes. Such a person was Abraham Gesner.

Colonel Henry Gesner was an officer of the King's Orange Rangers in 1778, and later became one of the 100,000 'Loyalists" to leave his homeland. In 1783, he settled on land in Nova Scotia from which Acadians had been expelled in 1755 to many places in the thirteen colonies (of which the New Orleans Cajuns are the most famous) and married. Abraham was the sixth of twelve children; his mother, Sarah Pipeo, had two ancestors on the Mayflower - Myles Standish and John Alden.

Many colonists in the 1770s were "Royalists" and had been for years. During the Revolutionary War they got labeled traitors. One was Benedict Arnold who, after being defamed and maligned by General Gates, defected to the British side. His British contact, Major Andre, was executed in 1780 at Tappan, New York, near the Gesner family farm.

The Nova Scotia Gesner home was near Cornwallis, now Kentville (renamed in 1826 in honor of the Duke of Kent. Victoria's father. governor of Nova Scotia, 1794-1798, and who visited there in 1794). Abraham was born May 2, 1797. A lifelong friend was William Bentley Webster, eight months younger and son of Dr. Isaac Webster. Together Abraham and William roamed the shores of Minas Basin and Hall's Harbor where there are many unusual geological and fossil specimens. Both became prominent geologists and medical doctors. Abraham married Harriet, born 1801, William's younger sister.

Abraham, as a young farmer, first tried to buy horses and ship them to the West Indies. Two shipping ventures, financed on borrowed money, were shipwrecked and complete losses. He tried farming but

Brother Abraham Gesner

by Dr. Robert M. Webster

was more interested in geology, an uneconomical venture, too. He was house confined as a debtor, but it was arranged for Abraham to go to England to study medicine.

In medicine at St. Barts and surgery studies at Guy's Hospitals in London, he studied under the famous doctors and professors, Sir Astley Cooper and John Abernathy. He graduated in 1828. In London he spent his spare time studying chemistry, geology, and electricity. This was at the time of Volta and Faraday. As a medical student, when asked why something was so, if he did not have an explanation, he would reply, "God made it so." This became known as Gesner's Reason." During his London stay Harriet bore another child, but it died after a few months so he never saw that one.

On Abraham's return to Nova Scotia, he reluctantly practiced medicine in Kentville and Parrsboro. He had seen the pitch lake in Trinidad and became obsessed that he would distill from it and other bitumens an oil that would burn without smoke or bad smell, to replace whale oil for illumination. In the course of time he would do over 2,000 experiments before he was successful. In Nova Scotia he wrote two books: *Remarks on the Geology and Mineralogy of Nova Scotia*, 1836, and *Industrial Resources of Nova* Scotia, 1849, both classics. Abraham

kept in touch with Mr. Lyall, secretary of the Royal Geological Society, who later visited with him in Nova Scotia.

Because of his knowledge, he was commissioned to do a study of New Brunswick, Canada. This necessitated a move to Saint John, N.B., with the family. He did this study between 1835 and 1842 but was never paid for the last two years when there was a change in the government. However, he did publish some of those reports. He housed his Micmac Indian guides and helpers in his attic, and he learned their language. They stuffed many animal specimens, and with these as a basis, Gesner started a museum that he tried to make into a commercial venture, but that too failed. However, the patrons took it over, and it became included in the New Brunswick Museum that still has a Gesner section. A mountain ridge in New Brunswick is named for him.

Abraham returned to Kentville and farming, taking over the family farm, now in need of an overseer. Soon there was a call to do a geology survey of Prince Edward Island: he accepted and moved to Charlottetown. He continued his experiments there, though he had very little money. While there, it is recorded that he gave a lecture on electricity. He had invented and developed an electric dynamo and an electric motor much like those we use today. The reports are that he also demonstrated his illuminating oil, calling it kerosene. Abraham Gesner's first practical commercial application for his illuminating oil was in a lighthouse on the famous Maugher's Beach at the entrance to Halifax harbor in Nova Scotia.

He developed a mine for his pitch from a bitumen deposit in Albert County, N.B. A lawsuit resulted because an interloper and fraudulant opportunist, Dr. Dawson, and his manager, Mr. Foulis, claimed the mineral rights" for the mine. The famous court decision was that the pitch was a mineral (though it does not have mineral qualities), depriving Gesner of his source and again his bad luck held. Besides the government got royalties on minerals, but not pitch. Then a Halifax Company stole his distillation process, patented it, and took him to court, Gesner losing again though he had demonstrated the process two years earlier.

Abraham patented kerosene in the United States on June 27, 1854, numbers 11203, 11204, and 11205, as three grades of distilled products from "petroleum, maitha or soft mineral pitch, asphaltum, or bitumen, by dry distillation and subsequent treatment with powerful reagents and redistillation." He also had an English patent signed by Queen Victoria. He then sold his patent to a group in New York who hired him for their general manager.

The manufacturing plant, the Asphalt Mining and Kerosene Gas Company or North America Gas Light Company, was established at Newtown Creek, Queen's, near the eastern end Queen's Midtown Tunnel. Greenpoint, New York. This location is still a refinery area, and when it is reported there is a pool of oil under Long Island, some may be from what Gesner started! The refinery was obsolete in a few years with the start of the oil field wells of Pennsylvania in 1857 by Drake. A Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania developer had struck oil in Albert County, New Brunswick, by a well but, on hearing of Drake's well, he packed up and went home stating "There is no need for two oil wells in America." A Scottish inventor. who had produced paraffin or coal oil two years after Gesner demonstrated his oil, sued, and again a court ruled against Gesner.

Abraham did not let his knowledge die. In 1861 he published another book *A Practical Treatise on Coal, Petroleum and Other Distilled Oils* that included how to build a refinery. That book helped many companies around the world build their own plants, and is still a classic. The North America Gas Light Company became a subsidiary of Rockefeller's

Standard Oil. Because of his success and refinery, Abraham Gesner has been called the "Father of Standard Oil," though the financiers, not he, profited there-from.

Dr. Abraham Gesner returned to Nova Scotia. He was appointed as professor in Dalhousie University in early 1864 to fill the chair of Natural History. He died in April before he could act in that capacity. He is buried in Camp Hill Cemetery, Haliax, Nova Scotia. A marker placed recently at his grave by Imperial Oil Company of Canada proclaims his fame within the oil industry. The Nova Scotia government has placed a marker at the Gesner home site.

Of additional interest is that of his family, one son, Brower, was a physician and served with General Kearny's unit for the Federals while another son, William, was in Montgomery, Alabama, under General Gorgas making gunpowder at the mining and nitre works as a Confederate ordinance sergeant. This is another family that had brothers on opposite sides in the War Between the States or Civil War. Another son, Weldon, republished his *Practical Treatise*, and had numerous patents in metallurgy, particularly one for preventing iron from rusting.

Abraham's father-in-law. Dr. Webster, was an avid Mason, In tact, his "shingle" is still in existence and shows him wearing his Masonic regalia beside a red rampant lion to represent surgery and a mortar and pestle to represent medicine, and written on it are the words "Isaac Webster Surgeon and Physician." Raised on April 4, 1796, Isaac was Master of St. George's Lodge (now No. 20) three times, and May 7, 1827 he was made one of its three first honorary members. He was Secretary and Treasurer for nineteen years, 1807-1826. He even started a Masonic Hall near his home in 1813, but it was never completed and was only half roofed in. In 1862 the Lodge moved to

Wolfville, eleven miles from Kentville, and it still has the historic regalia and ark with the old wooden three-part candle sticks charred at the top from much use.

Dr. Isaac Webster was also a member of St. Mark's Lodge, 1797 and was a Mark Master of the Lodge, 1821 and 1827, when the minutes cease. The Morgan affair occurred affecting Masonry from 1826 to the 1840s. Many Lodges went dark. St. George's Lodge No. 20 never met from December 3, 1832 until Jan 25, 1858, partly because of a quarrel between it and the English Provincial Grand Lodge. When Dr. Isaac visited the Lodge as a "visitor," it is recorded he paid the visiting dues or fee of one shilling, his last recorded visit being Monday, December 27, 1831. He died October 29, 1851.

Dr. Isaac Webster is succeeded by six generations of Doctors Webster, the longest line of continuously practicing physicians in Nova Scotia (1791—), continuous except for three years during WWII when the Webster was a medical officer in the Royal Canadian Air Force, stationed partly outside of Nova Scotia. And there are many other descendants who have become physicians.

Abraham Gesner received his E.A. degree May 24, 1819 and paid L4-10-0 and was passed to Fellowcraft June 7, 1819. At this period, but separately, his friend William Webster received his E.A. April 5, 1819 and Fellowcraft degree May 3, 1819. They both were Raised at the same Communication. June 1819. Master Mason. Αt 21. to Communication William B. Webster S.D.P.T., Abraham Gesner was J.D.P.T. and Isaac Webster was P.M. and Treasurer indicating the meeting was opened in the First Degree as in the English system. Abraham had regular attendance at Lodge until August 22, 1822. Diligent search for more Masonic details about Abraham Gesner in Nova Scotia. New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, London, and New York has found no further recorded Masonic activity or relationship. Of interest is that the

second ship wrecked with the horses he was taking to the West Indies was named *The Mason's Daughter*, obviously for Harriet, Dr. Isaac Webster's daughter, and later Abraham's wife.

This vignette is the story of an unlucky genius, father, rock-hound and geologist, farmer, horse trader, musician, physician, explorer, museum curator, lecturer, motor electric inventor. kerosene patentee, author and Master Mason, who lived a life in debt, hounded by misfortunes, and who was povertystricken, but who never gave up. As a Fellow of the Royal Geological Society, he was Canada's first geologist. Abraham

Gesner has been called "the Father of Standard Oil." He also gave to the world "kerosene," a practical and improved illuminating oil, our modern jet fuel, our heating oil.

Sir Knight Robert M. Webster wishes to thank Sir Knight Robert L. Bearne, Treasurer and Historian of St. Georges Lodge of Wolfvillo, Nova Scotia, for supplying the information that made this article possible.

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Ladies Enjoy Swordsmanship

by Sir Knight Marvin W. Gerhard, RG.C., Florida

For more than thirty-six years the ladies of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Springtime Commandery No. 40, stationed at Clearwater, Florida, have supported their Sir Knights with monthly covered-dish dinners and annual projects. The projects have ranged from purchasing furniture, to having the dining hail floors professionally cleaned, to the procurement of new robes and paraphernalia.

Springtime Commandery is very proud of its ladies' auxiliary, and as a result, this year the programs following the business meetings have been planned with them in mind.

Thursday evening, April 28, 1994, following the regular business meeting, the ladies and Sir Knights enjoyed a lesson and demonstration in swordsmanship.

Nationally rated "B" sabre fencing instructor Kirk Rowley, a local resident, and several students performed the fencing lessons and gave instructions.

The instructor and students were dressed in their fencing attire, complete with mask and gloves. The explanation and demonstration centered around the French, Spanish, and modern foil, as well as the épée and sabre. They stressed the concept of action, control of action, and the physical aspects. Instructor Rowley emphasized this form of art is not something that one outgrows, and in fact, it lasts a lifetime if one desires. His students range in age from six to seventy-two, and the students assisting in the demonstration were six to thirty-seven.

Sir Knight Walter H. Winchester, P.C. and chairman of the Entertainment Committee, was thanked for arranging this most interesting and educational program, which lasted more than one and a half hours.

This active and interesting sport may be taken up at any age and is not limited to male members. Many young girls, and even ladies in their seventies, are active in the sport throughout the country.

Sir Knight Marvin W. Gerhard Commander Springtime Commandery No. 40 2450 Meander Lane Safety Harbor, Florida, 34695

The Cross In My Pocket

It's not for identification

I carry a cross in my pocket A simple reminder to me Of the fact that I am a Christian No matter where I may be.

This lithe cross is not magic Nor is it a good luck charm; It isn't meant to protect me From every physical harm. For all the world to see; It's simply an understanding Between my Savior and me. When I put my hand in my pocket
To bring out a coin or key, The cross is there to remind me
Of the price He paid for me.
It reminds me, too, to be thankful
For my blessings day by day And to strive to serve Him better
In all that I do and say.

It's also a daily reminder
Of the peace and comfort I
share
With all who know my Master
And give themselves to His

So I carry a cross in my pocket
Reminding no one but me
That Jesus Christ is Lord of my life
If only I'll let Him be.

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York Rite belts from the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire are still available, and will be kept In stock as long as the response calls for it. We have met your demand and have sent out over 1,200 since the first ad in 1993. Its an easy way to advertise your pride in being a York Rite Mason, and obtain some petitions! The belt is made from a black, military type belt with a woven ribbon sewed on. Woven Into this ribbon are the three York Rite emblems and the names of the three bodies in gold letters. The colors are gold, silver. and red, and these are repeated several times around the belt. It comes in a standard 51-Inch length, but longer can be supplied if needed. A brass buckle completes

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The Drum Corps of Boumi Temple, Baltimore. Maryland, has for sale 50 uniforms (yellow jackets, green pants, and red cummerbunds) in very good condition. For further information Carl Leimbach, 13700 C. Devonfield Drive, Baldwin, MD 21013, (410)592-6787

George Washington Lodge No. 585, located t Vicenza. Italy, is commemorating its 37th anniversary as the first American military Lodge in Italy. This memorable event Is being honored by a limited edition, fine porcelain plate. 13' diameter, It has square and compass in powdered gold along with outline of Italy and the Lodge insignia. All profits go toward purchase of a permanent Lodge home. Cost is \$25.00 each, including S & H. Make checks or money orders payable to Ole F Olson, CMR 427/8ox 2494, APO AE 09630. Checks or money orders only.

Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 22, A.F. & AM., is celebrating 175 years of Masony in Athens, Georgia, and to Commemorate this historic event is having a beautiful coin struck in bronze and .999 fine silver. To place your order, send check or money order in the amount of \$6.00 for bronze or \$25.00 for silver, payable to Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 22 and send to V. V. Jones, Secretary; 225 Greencrest Drive; Athena; GA 30605. The coins will be available Sept. 1994.

Lodge No. 61, F. & AM., Wilkes-Barre. PA, is celebrating its 200th anniversary with anniversary coins and plate for sale. Serrated edge, 1^9 /16 diameter gold color coin. \$5.00; 99% silver coin in plastic case, \$20.00. One side:

"200th Anniversary 1794-1994, Lodge 61. F. & AM.. Constituted February 27, 1794"; opposite side: square and compass and "Judge Jesse Fells Inn. First Meeting Place: Plate is 10/4' round, pewter-like (2 lbs.) with "Lodge 61 200th Anniversary,' and picture of Judge Fells Inn. Postage pad. Checks payable to Lodge 61 Anniversary Fund, and mail to Lodge 61, P0. Box 262. Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703-0262.

Albert Pike Lodge No. 303 of Kansas is celebrating Its 100th anniversary of Masonry this year and has minted a 1/16 bronze coin to celebrate this occasion. Cost is \$6.00. Make check payable to B. M. Swan, 4865 South Bluff, Wichita, KS 67210. All proceeds will go to Masonry.

Easton Lodge No. 45, Easton, Kansas, Is seeking information on a watch fob, $7_{\rm cr}$ inch in size. On one side is the Masonic emblem. The reverse side has the following: top edge of circle three fetters. M.B.A.; 5-pointed star just below letters. M.B.A.; clasped hands below star, open Bible below herds; lower edge of circle three letters. ELP.; left edge of circle has an olive branch; right edge of circle has horn of plenty. This belonged to a Brother who was a Master in the late teens, it was given to Lodge along with Past Master's Jewel. Before goes on display, would like to know what it represents. Any and all help greatly appreciated. Glenn L. Knapp. 2813 Frances Avenue, Leavenworth. KS 66048-4198.

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Books for sale: History of Freemasonry, Its Legends and Traditions, William R. Singleton, The Masonic History Co., NY, 1906: 7 vs. blue and gold, very good condition. \$140; General History of Free-Masonry in Europe. J. Fletcher Brennan, American Masonic Publishing Assoc.. Cincinnati, 1868. very good, \$45; History of Freemasonry & Concordant Orders, Board of Editors. Fraternity Publishing Co., London, 1895. very good, \$55. The Book Gallery. 235 E fat. Casper, WY 82601, (307)234-4412.

If any would have the words to the poem that reads "What kind of Lodge would my Lodge be, If all of the members were lust like me," I will donate \$5.00 on your behalf to the Eye Foundation. John Wesley Pratt; R.R. 2, Box 399; Coebum; VA 24230.

Wanted: Masonic Chapter pennies by avid collector. I have been building this collection for 23 years, and still need many pieces as I am collecting all varieties. These one day will and up In a Masonic museum. Why not find a home for your mark? I will gladly send you a check for one piece or will buy your collection. If you collect, I will gladly exchange. Any assistance will surely be appreciated. I will answer all letters. Maurice Storck, Sr.; 775 W. Roger Road, No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (602) 888-7585.

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Master Mason and author wishes to establish contact with WWII veterans whose units first liberated Nazi concentration and extermination camps. Also wish to contact: Individuals who first entered these camps In a non-military capacity, anyone with photographs of these camps when liberated, and any member of the Masonic order (and related affiliated organizations, is. O.E.S.). who were prisoners In any of these camps. Mr. Louis A. Cavagnaro, Ventana Lakes, 20479 AL 105th Avenue, Peoria, AZ 85382-9778.

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2nd Reunion: U.S.S. Deimos (AK-78) and U.S.S. Aludra (AK-72). WWII. September 19-23, 1994. Both were sunk by enemy torpedoes. June 23. 1943. South of Guadalcanal. Seeking any and at survivors. R. W Parker, P0. Box 719. Edgewater, FL 32132, or Richard Rogers, 2439 Jones Lane, Santa Rosa, CA 95403, (707) 542-7294.

50th anniversary reunion of the U.S.S. CEBU (ARG6) at Myrtle Beach, SC, October 2-4, 1994. Officers and crew members are encouraged to respond even If not able to attend this year. Harold Bond, 75 Calabash Drive, Carolina Shores, Calabash, NC 28467, (910) 579-3777.

Reunion: U.S.S. McCoy Reynolds (DE-440). October 6-8. 1994, Radisson Hotel. Chattanooga, TN. Jack E. Hawklns, PO. Box 568, Erwin, TN 37650.

54th Naval Reunion: U.S.S. Sepulga (A020). Oil Tanker, U.S. Navy at Laughlin. NV, October 10-12, 1994, Gold River Casino and Hotel. Don Westerlund, 4708 E. Florian Circle, Mesa, AZ 85206, (602) 830-1161.

50th Naval Reunion: U.S.S. Gladiator (AM319), Minesweeper, U.S. Navy a Laughlin. NV, October 13-15.1994, God River Casino and Hotel. Don Weetai'k,rid. 4706 E Fbdar, Circle, Mesa, AZ 85206, (602) 830-116 1.

1994 reunion planned: Great Lakes Naval Training Station. companies 29-33, 1939 graduates-in Laughlin, NV. Don Westerlund, 4708 E. Florien Circle, Mesa, AZ 85206. (602) 830-1161.

Reunion: 819th Tank Destroyer Bn., WWII, at the Golden Nugget, Las Vegas, October 16-18, Nick Mekis, 2400 Skyline Drive, Signal Hit, CA 90806.

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William A. Ward