

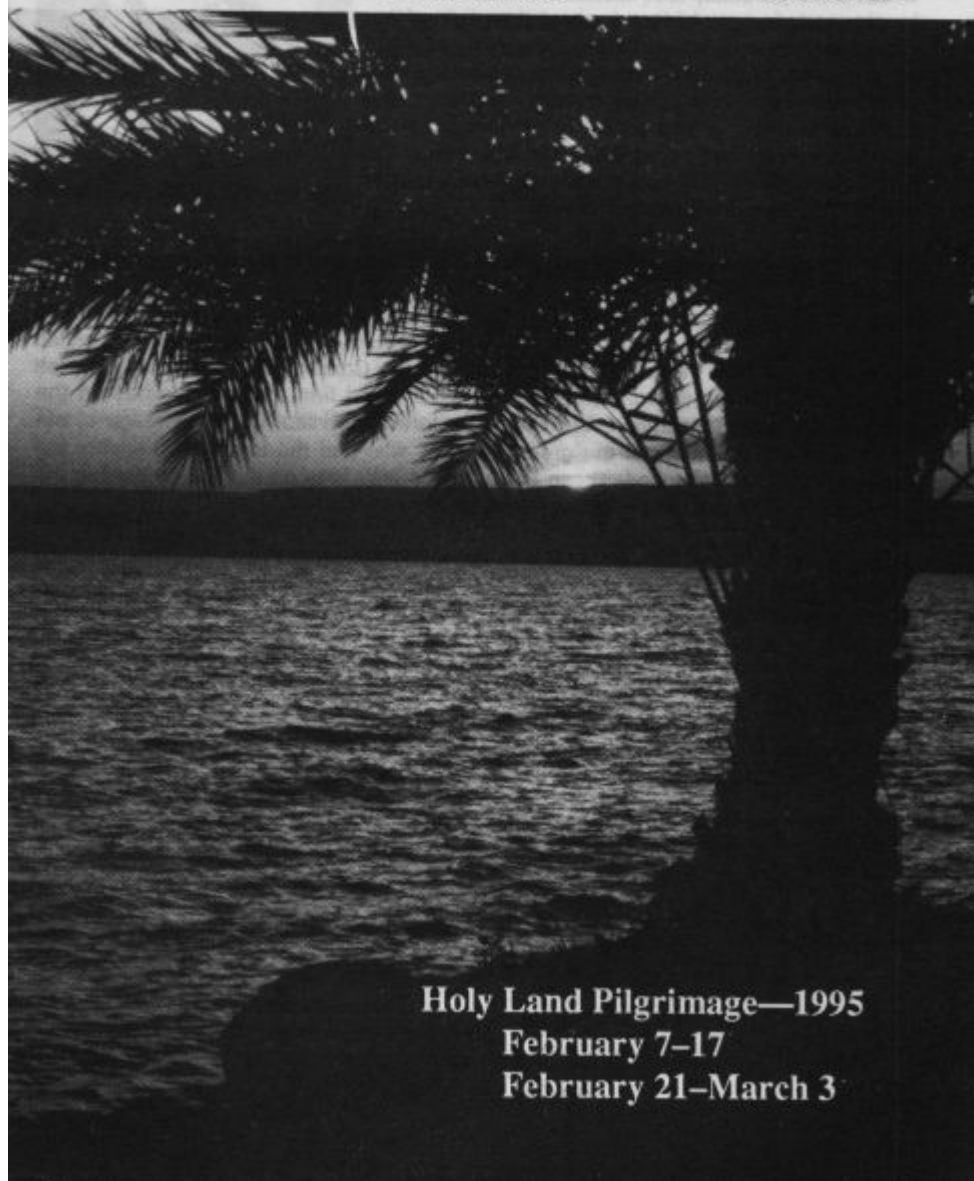


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"Thanks Be to God"

November is a month worthy of note in that it has Election Day, Veteran's Day, and Thanksgiving Day.

The third month of this triennium salutes a month which is very dear to all Americans. We have been taught, early in our childhood, about the plight of our Pilgrim fathers and the hardships they endured. Also, we are aware of their survival in a strange and savage land. We were told of the friendly Indians who instructed them in the planting of corn and the bountiful harvest that saved them from starvation. The first Thanksgiving Day celebration was dedicated to giving "Thanks to the Lord."

We who have been born and raised in this great country and those who emigrated to its shores should have a deep sense of devotion to it. We have a freedom that does not exist anywhere else in the world. Our Constitution guarantees us certain inalienable rights, through our Bill of Rights, and insures our future. We have those who would undermine our type of government and change the Constitution for their own selfish interests. We of the Masonic Fraternity should stand firm and be steadfast in the protection of the Constitution. We should be forever thankful for the heritage of our forefathers and members of our great Fraternity who had the foresight to secure our independence from England. These Brethren laid their lives on the line by signing the Declaration of Independence and by taking up arms against a tyrannical government.

Today, we have those who would like to devastate our great Fraternity. They talk and preach against Masonry from their pulpits and on television shows. They attempt to portray our ritual as something evil and compare us with cults. What they do not want to admit is that we are not a religion, but the greatest protector of religion the world has ever known. We defend their right, under our Constitution and the Articles of the Bill of Rights. They do not want to protect us under this same Constitution. The same thing was attempted in 1826 when the anti-Masonic movement was started and Masonry was on trial. This came to an abrupt end when Brother Andrew Jackson, Past Grand Master of Tennessee, was elected and installed the seventh president of the United States of America.

Sir Knights of the Grand Encampment and Masons should spend this Thanksgiving Day thanking Almighty God for delivering our great country into his realm.



Blair Christy Mayford
Grand Master

Knight Templar

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

NOVEMBER: Our cover, showing sunrise on the Sea of Galilee, celebrates the 18th Holy Land Pilgrimage. There is still time to support this great program. In depth information starts on page 19. Our Grand Commanders are pictured starting on page 5 and addresses follow. To facilitate your plans for the 27th Voluntary Campaign of the Eye Foundation, we list the state Voluntary Campaign chairmen on page 9. Ms. Lee Maloney again mesmerizes an audience, this time with a story about a lucky young boy whose hero was a Knight Templar. Don't miss Sir Knight Hansen's story starting on page 3.

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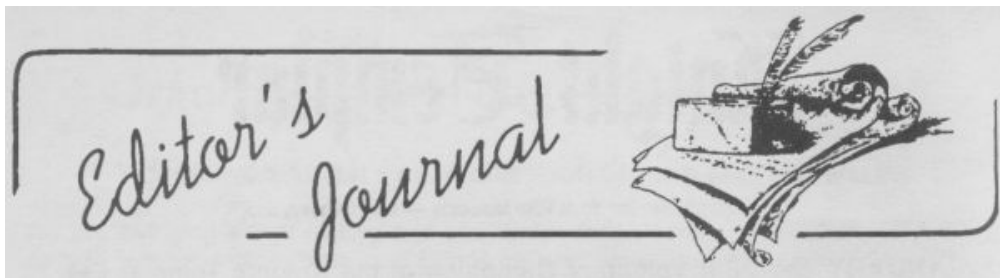
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Announcement: The Grand Encampment continues a program of Honors, which has two levels: Knight Grand Cross of the Temple and Knight Commander of the Temple. This program gives the Grand Encampment a way of honoring Sir Knights who have distinguished themselves in their fields of endeavor. It does not limit itself to Masonry alone, but to qualify, a person must be a Knight Templar. The recipients receive a beautifully engraved patent and a jewel. The jewel may be worn on the uniform or on a tuxedo. The recipients may also use the letters KGC or KCT after their names: they should be introduced along with the Knights Templar Cress of Honor holder.

59th Triennial Badges and Pins: Yes, the Triennial is over, and yes, we have some of the badges and ladies' charms available as follows: ladies' triennial pin, \$6.00; gold badge, \$15.00; silver badge, \$15.00; and 59th Triennial Committee badge, \$15.00. Add \$1.50 handling and shipping per order, and contact: James A. Henley, 9880 Garrison Ct., Westminster, CO 80021, (303) 421-2814. If you are interested in either the cuff links or the ladies' charm presented at the banquet, please let us know.

Announcing: The Widow's Pin—to commemorate those who were active Templars: The Grand Encampment continues a program to honor widows of Knights Templar. A Green pin is for widows of those below the rank of Commander, and a Red Templar Cross pin is for widows of Sir Knights who held office below the rank of Past Grand Commander (this includes Commanders, Past Commanders, and grand officers.)

Honor your widows at regular or special programs of your Commandery. Order in lots of 10 at \$5.00 apiece, payable to the Grand Encampment, and send to the Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460.

Sir Knights, Attention! An important and invaluable booklet entitled *The York Rite of Freemasonry - a History and Handbook*, is available from the Grand Encampment. Authored by Sir Knight Frederick G. Speidel, KYGCH, Past Grand Preceptor of the Grand College, HRAKTP, and Past Grand Commander of North Carolina; 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 jewels 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.

Saluting Our Grand Commanders

Congratulations are extended from our Most Eminent Grand Master, Blair Christy Mayford, and the grand officers of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A., to the forty-nine newly elected Grand Commanders of the Grand Commanderies under their jurisdiction. As part of this salute to their dedication and tireless service to Templary, *Knight Templar* magazine is printing the names and pictures of the Sir Knights who will serve as Grand Commanders for the current Templar year.

These Grand Commanders, whose pictures appear on these pages, will be the guiding hands on the tiller of the ship of Templary, navigating their vessel faithfully through the uncharted waters ahead.





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Died September 7, 1994

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Born September 23, 1914
Died September 9, 1994

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Died September 22, 1994

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Florida
Deputy Grand Commander-1994
Born December 9, 1914
Died September 25, 1994

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No. 100,196-Gordon L. Heaton (OH)

Grand Master's Club

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by Shawnee Commandery No. 14
No. 2,283-Howard T. Shrode (IN)

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Grand Master Mayford 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.

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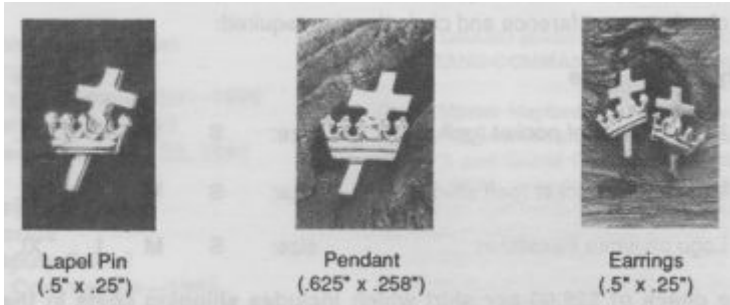
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The Magic Sword

Sir Knight Franklin Hansen's Story

by Lee Maloney

I'm an old man now, and I guess to the young kids I'm not considered interesting enough for them to hear my stories about "the good ol' days." In fact, even when I try to recall some to tell my own grand kids, they say, "Come on, Grandpa, give me a break!" This is a clue to my injured feelings. I definitely have become a part of the generation gap, and I'm not even close to becoming part of the bridge.

Even the times I feel I genuinely have something I really can and want to brag about, my own beloved wife has a tactful way of deliberately tuning out and is famous for giving me a very long, on-purpose yawn!

At least, in print here, I can truthfully admit you are what you choose to become, for I am proof that you can rise above tough circumstances since I was raised in an orphanage from the age of three until my first job at nineteen.

I can still remember working to buy my first pair of shoes that fit me ... and stuffing newspapers for warmth into the soles of the ones I had to wear until my first paychecks were in.

As for my new ones, I wiggled my toes in them comfortably for weeks in the sheer pleasure of having a pair of shoes that fit me.

But I need to get on with my story and tell you what eventually drew me toward becoming a Knight Templar and furthering my wish to work to help all of humanity, instead of taking the attitude that life is just hard knocks and tough luck

and becoming bitter about how all the breaks were given to the other guy.

Honesty and Truth would be the only "tools of success" given to an orphan kid like me, and it would take a lot of extra hard work in using these building tools to shore up my confidence.

I got busy. I deliberately never made time to "develop a chip on my shoulder" toward society for my mother's death from pneumonia when I was three and my father's inability to keep me at home. True, it was very hard to look out on life from any other prospective than "loneliness" or to get the love in this shelter that I so desperately needed, being just three years old.

One year seemed to pass after the other, each as colorless as the one before, and I was constantly and vainly hoping two parents would pop up out of the woodwork, take one look at me, love me, and adopt me! This never happened. I thought that I would develop "lockjaw" from the tender age of five on from gritting my teeth after "dress-up, visiting day" and finding that nobody wanted me again. I'd lie on my cot trying hard not to cry out loud, suspiciously sniffing occasionally, with nose buried into a lumpy pillow. Then, the kid next to me invariably would top off this whole disillusioning day by wetting himself, and the odor from his bed would smell up the whole room.

I was convinced this old brown frame wood building would always smell of disinfectant, kids would never stop complaining about their lumpy oatmeal

and their scratchy wool blankets, and my dreams would blend with theirs into the old and cracked linoleum on the dormitory floors - just like the hand prints that were constantly being washed off the

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walls made the paint peel into synchronization with the dingy gray spotted ceilings so forlorn with their spattered spoon flips of oatmeal, silently attesting to the fact that the city never seemed to want to issue money-vouchers to see them painted clean once again.

I was only a skinny little boy with a mop of shaggy blonde hair, always needing a haircut, which was done by placing a circular bowl on the head and cutting around its rim - the extent of one's "hairstyle."

I felt I was to be forever internalized by the institutional rules of the "Inside," watching out of grimy window panes, which revealed the many surrounding buildings to be just as gray in their portrayal of lacked emotion and blocking from within any swift currents of life flowing there. The buildings I viewed were identical in mood to the one I already was made to sleep in!

Sometimes by morning, my eyes would actually burn from having stared out at nothing but another dark cold night, while I tried to visualize what it could be like to have a father and mother who loved me and gloomily assessed that no one really cared in the whole wide world that I was growing up in an orphanage.

As I grew older and could write letters to "Santa," however, my imagination grew more picturesque than did the city's budget pocketbook for the home!

The one day of the year to receive one gift, Christmas, still meant a great deal of happiness for me and the other kids, for the small net stocking filled with a couple of apples and oranges and some hard rock candy that we each got was great! That was the one time we tried to forget that Santa seemed to get to the kids living on the hill" first and was apparently broke by the time he got around to us. Some kids, I remember, wrote tear-stained letters about needing a new daddy and mommy - me, I went big time: The year I was ten I asked for a bicycle, roller skates, and a pen knife... all for the same Christmas! I knew I was only going to get a stocking, so why not wish for them all in the way of not short-changing my dreams? This gift from Santa Claus, let me remind you, was the only present we got for the whole year, and we were happy to get this much, especially the candy.

Still, after this Christmas at the age of ten, I definitely decided not to write to any commercial "Santa Claus" the next year, for by now I doubted his true existence. It was at this time, however, quite by wonderful coincidence that the Knights Templar entered to visit our home for Christmas!

Along with the rest of the kids, I thought my eyes were going to pop right out of my head at their generosity for they had coloring books and crayons, small toys, a box of nuts, and oranges and apples for each kid to have for himself. It was easy to see why they would become the true **heroes** of my life. Oh, yes, and there was lots of candy.

Here they were, all dressed up in chapeaux and swords and with faces showing every one of us kids that there was a pattern to learn to copy in their unselfish giving - a lesson on becoming gentle men (or women) for the rest of our

lives. One of the Knights, a man with warm, gray-green and twinkling eyes, took a special interest in me and talked to me. By the time of this reminiscing, I am sure he has gone on to his own wonderful reward, but I can still see him in my mind's eye even now as I am telling this story. (I can tell you the initials of the president who was in office in those days,

"Again, the season of Christmas is coming—a time to gather family and friends to our hearts, to think what a wonderful life God has given us, and to love all our Brothers and Sisters. But we Knights work at this all year long, and I am proud to be one."

W.W., if that will give you a hint as to how much snow is on my own rooftop! Sorry, this is all the hints I'll give about my age.)

This Knight gentleman let me touch his chapeau, and even better yet, handle his magical sword! I can honestly tell you, this was the thrill of my young lifetime!

Perhaps there was more than an abundance of the magic of humanity represented in this sword that was unsheathed by this Knight Templar, who allowed me to wield it high above my head, for suddenly I was none other than young King Arthur, and this sword was none other than my Excalibur!

I carried this memory and all the kind words this Knight Templar spoke to me forward and straight out the door of this orphanage on my nineteenth birthday, and I was determined to **be** just like this Knight Templar in thoughts, words, and deeds as I grew older.

I cried with the rest of our Knights throughout the story, "The Mickey Mouse Watch," in the November 1993 issue for

this story brought back poignant memories of some of my childhood loneliness, as well as a deep appreciation for that time of life when it became my honor to become a Knight Templar.

Again, the season of Christmas is coming - a time to gather family and friends to our hearts, to think what a wonderful life God has given us, and to love all our Brothers and Sisters. But we Knights work at this all year long, and I am proud to be one.

Since I am known by character to ad-lib, I do have to say that by an odd coincidence I got to the top of the hill... live in a place called Sea Cliff."

And no matter how white the hair grows on this head of mine, no one can convince me there was not the magic of humanity in the Knight's sword, back in the orphanage when I was only ten years old.

I am overdue to thank my Knights for allowing me to join them across the world in helping kids to grow up healthier and stronger than they may have been able to accomplish without our faithful pep squad cheering them on - They are all our **heroes**.

While I may fail in getting grandchildren to listen to my memories, perhaps someday I will get to see this *true story in Knight Templar*, and I will receive some mail back by way of sharing experiences ... in the bargain. Now, wouldn't this be great?

God bless you all, my fellow Sir Knights!

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History of the Grand Encampment

Chapter XXIII Biographies Of The Grand Masters

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William Bromwell Melish Twenty-second Grand Master 1910-1913

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He was exalted in Milford Chapter No. 35 at Milford, Ohio, and later affiliated with Willis Chapter No. 131 in Cincinnati, holding the office of High Priest in 1886.

He was greeted in Kilwinning Council (now Cincinnati Council) No. 52 in 1877 and was elected Thrice Illustrious Master in 1882.

He was prominent in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite and held various offices in the bodies sitting in the Valley of Cincinnati. He was made a 32nd Mason in Ohio Consistory on May 30, 1874, and crowned a Sovereign Grand Inspector General 33rd at Boston on September 16, 1885. In 1895 he was made Commander-in-Chief of the Ohio Consistory. He was a member of Syrian Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and served as its Potentate until he resigned to become Imperial Potentate. He was also a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

He was knighted in Hanselmann Commandery No. 16 in Cincinnati on June 15, 1877, and was elected Eminent Commander in 1883. In 1887 he became a charter member of Trinity Commandery No. 44 of Cincinnati, Ohio. He was elected Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Ohio in 1890. At the Conclave of the Grand Encampment in 1892 he was appointed Grand Standard Bearer, and in 1910 was elected Grand Master.

In 1911 he visited the Great Priory of England, and received the Grand Cross Templar from the Duke of Connaught. He had the distinction of being the only one in the United States to receive that high honor.

During World War I he served as Executive Manager of the Masonic War Relief Association, organized to care for the widows and orphans of Masons who fell in battle and to maintain orphanages in the allied countries.

Arthur MacArthur Twenty-third Grand Master 1913-1916

Arthur MacArthur was born in Troy, New York, on July 24, 1850. He received his education in the public schools of that city and attended Troy Academy and the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He made his home in his native city of Troy and became a partner with his father in the publication of the "Troy Northern Budget." His great interests in life were the advancement of his home city and the up-building of the National Guard Unit of that locality. During the Spanish American War he held the rank of Colonel in the National Guard. For years he acted as Trustee of the Troy Academy and the Troy Public Library. He was a member of the New York Press Club, the Rensselaer County Republican Club and the YMCA.

He passed away suddenly on December 27, 1914, at his home in Troy, while replying to the many letters and telegrams he had received on Christmas Day. The funeral services were held on December 30th at the First Presbyterian Church. The last rites of the Grand Encampment were given by Sir Knight William B. Melish, Past Grand Master; Sir

Knight Henry F. Freeman, Grand Prelate; and Sir Knight Philip D. Gordon, Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada. The funeral was attended by many distinguished Masons and Templars.

Sir Knight MacArthur was raised in Mount Zion Lodge No. 311 at Troy, New York, on November 25, 1873, and was elected Worshipful Master in 1882. He was afterward District Deputy Grand Master of the 12th Masonic District.

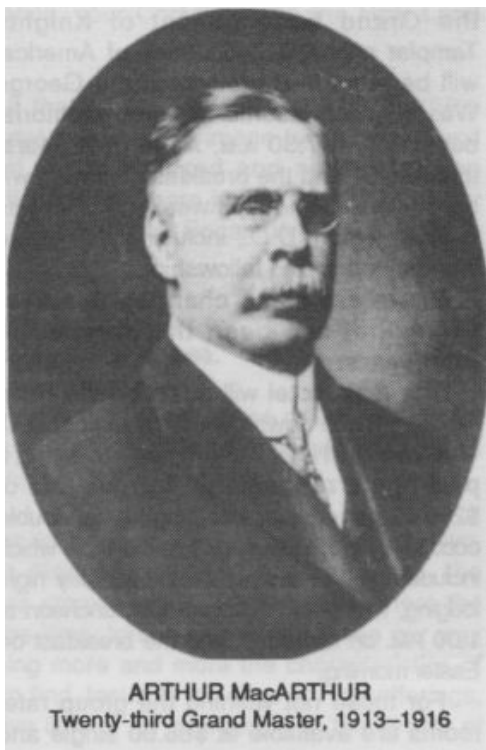
He was exalted in Apollo Chapter No. 48 at Troy, New York, on February 18, 1874, and became High Priest in 1883. He was greeted in Bloss Council No. 14 at Troy on March 5, 1880, and served as Thrice Illustrious Master in 1891.

In the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite he received the 32¹ degree in Albany Consistory on April 22, 1886. He was Thrice Potent Master of the Lodge of Perfection from 1900 to 1904 and Commander-in-Chief of Albany Consistory from 1904 to 1907. He was raised to the 33¹ degree at Cleveland, Ohio, on September 16, 1890, and crowned an active member of the Supreme Council on September 20, 1905. He was also a member of the Mystic Shrine and the Royal Order of Scotland.

He was knighted in Apollo Commandery No. 15 at Tray on January 9, 1880 and was elected Eminent Commander in 1887, serving two terms. In September, 1897, he became Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of New York, and from 1900 to 1903 served as its Grand Recorder.

At the Conclave of the Grand Encampment held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in 1898, he was appointed Grand Sword Bearer. In 1913 he was elected Grand Master. He was the Grand Representative of the Grand Priory of Scotland near the Grand Encampment of the United States and assisted materially in bringing these two Bodies into closer fraternal bonds.

Sir Knight MacArthur had a splendid and pleasing personality which commanded the admiration and respect of all with whom he came in contact. He had a keen intellect, a warm and gentle heart, and was always gracious and polite.



Lee Stewart Smith
Twenty-fourth Grand Master
1916-1919

Lee S. Smith was born at Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio, on April 24, 1844. After completing his public school education he studied dentistry. After his graduation he practiced for a time in Pittsburgh, but soon entered into the manufacture of all kinds of dental supplies, which he carried on until the time of his death. He built up a successful business in this field.

Easter 1995

by Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin
Past Grand Commander of Virginia

On Sunday, April 16, 1995, the 65th Easter Sunrise Memorial Service, sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, will be held on the steps of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial beginning at 7:30 A.M. As in past years, this service and the breakfast following will complete a memorable weekend of events in Washington, D.C., including delegation dinners, tours, and fellowship.

There are some changes this year from what has **been the practice in prior** years:

The main hotel will again be the Hotel Washington in downtown Washington, D.C. **This year** the Hotel **Washington** is offering a **package arrangement**. A group rate of \$250.00 per couple, including taxes, double occupancy (\$125.00 single), is available which includes both Friday night and Saturday night lodging, the Grand Encampment luncheon at 1:00 P.M. on Saturday, and the breakfast on Easter morning.

For those not wishing the group rate, rooms are available at \$86.00 single and \$96.00 double, plus taxes; \$20.00 for the luncheon on Saturday; and \$14.00 for the breakfast on Sunday or any combination thereof that a member may desire.

Members must write to the address below for reservations for rooms and any of the indicated activities. Include your check made payable to the hotel:

Hotel Washington
ATIN: Knights Templar Easter Program
515 15th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20004

You may also call the hotel at 800-424-9540 to make reservations for rooms and any of the activities giving your credit card number for billing. Tickets for the luncheon and breakfast will be furnished you by the hotel when you arrive and register

As indicated, a luncheon will be held at the hotel on Saturday, April 15, at 1:00 P.M. in lieu of the reception held in former years. Sir Knight Blair C. Mayford, Most Eminent Grand Master, his officers and their ladies will be present.

Uniforms are requested for the Sir Knights and informal attire for the ladies. Grand Commanders and their wives may partake as guests of Grand Encampment. Identify yourselves as such when writing or calling the hotel for reservations.

Easter morning, buses will depart from the hotel at 6:00 A.M. for the service at the memorial. The buses will return you to the hotel for the breakfast.

Delegations staying at other hotels or motels must provide their own transportation or meet at the Hotel Washington. (If you wish to hire local buses, the committee will assist you in arranging for them. The cost of these local hires must be borne by the requesting delegation.)

Parking for cars and buses is available at the memorial. However, no vehicles will be permitted up the driveway after the parade begins at 7:00 A.M.

The parade this year will begin in the parking lot, not at the foot of the hill.

Prior to the service, beginning at 6:30 AM, carillon music will be played over the public address system. Starting at 6:45 AM., the Kena and Almas Shrine Temple Band will play Easter selections until the parade moves out at 7:00 A.M. The sermon will be delivered by our Right Eminent Grand Prelate, Sir Knight and Reverend Thomas E. Weir.

The breakfast will begin upon our return from the memorial.

Reservations should be made for rooms and any activities by April 10, 1995.

Grand Commanders are requested to appoint a delegation chairman to notify this committee's General Chairman, Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin, P.G.C.; 5400 Bromyard Court; Burke; Virginia 22015; telephone (703) 323-0007, in order to receive all mailings concerning this event and to facilitate adequate planning! Forms will be sent in January 1995.

Report of the Committee On the Holy Land Pilgrimage

Most Eminent Grand Master, officers, and members of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, your Committee on the Holy Land Pilgrimage submits the following report:

Praise the Lord! We are pleased to submit that since our last report at the 58th Triennial Conclave, 287 Christian ministers have made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land for their spiritual enrichment, making a total of six hundred and **seventy-seven** Christian ministers from forty-four grand jurisdictions, six more jurisdictions than at our last Triennial; guests of the Knights Templar of this Grand Encampment. Praise the **Lord!**

Romans 8:28: **"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."**

Sir Knights, these Christian ministers that you have sent are of those called by God for His purpose. You have supported them through a pilgrimage to the Holy Land - and they have become spiritually enriched by having had this experience.

Today at the Holy Places, Jesus is waiting for us to have a new encounter with Him, the Living Lord, who is present in our midst. Normally we shall not find Jesus, the Cross-bearer, when we pass through the dense crowds in the Via Dolorosa where the cries of shopkeepers fill the air. Nor shall we be likely to find Him as we make our way through the Valley of Kidron, which is assuming more and more the characteristics of our day. At times it will also be difficult for us to find Jesus at the sites of His sufferings, for the edifices of churches built over them give little or no impression of the events of long ago.

And yet this same Jesus, who once lived, spoke, performed miracles and suffered here in Jerusalem and Galilee, is waiting for us at these places. Today He yearns to reveal Himself again as the Living Lord to human hearts that seek Him. Today He longs for people to find Him again at the sites that mark His earthly life. Today as long ago, He seeks to comfort us. Today He longs to speak to our hearts with the message: **"Repent, for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand!"** Today Jesus wants to reveal His sufferings to us and call us to be disciples. Today Jesus is waiting to speak to us about the secret of blessedness and about the wonderful and incomparable way open for His followers. Today Jesus yearns to demonstrate His power and work miracles in our lives. Today He wants us to taste His love. And whoever seeks the hidden Jesus at the Holy Places, believing the promise in the Word of God, "When you **seek me** with all **your heart**, **I will be found by you**," will find him here. (Jeremiah 29:13-14).

"I will wield my sword in defense of the Christian religion."

Reverend Michael T. Hogg said: "**Express** my lifelong appreciation for an answer **to prayer and an inspiration to** my ministry. I will forever hold the memories **of the ancient places** and the present strife. How providential that today's conflict magnifies the age-old struggle **of good and evil**. How wonderful to find Jesus as **my hope then and now**. **God alone** will know the full extent of ministry that this trip will hold in the lives of those who experienced it. Already, I have found my ministry **refocused on** what called me originally. Thank you and God bless you."

Dr. Larry C. Baker: "Thanks to the Knights Templar for one of the great experiences of my life. I can still hardly believe I have had this opportunity and am still trying to comprehend and assimilate the many things we saw, felt and experienced."

Pastor William C. Hibbert: "I want to tell you that often on this trip I was moved **to quiet tears by** being in the footsteps of Jesus, my Lord. It is hard for me to put into words what this experience has meant or done for me. I know that my ministry will be enriched forever by it ... truly wonderful and life changing."

Reverend Paul M. Burden: As so many of the other ministers, he stated that one of the highlights of the trip was the visit to the Mount of Beatitude where Jesus gave the Sermon on the Mount. I cannot begin to describe the thrill of reading Jesus' own words in the very place he spoke them. Convey to all Sir Knights, my thanks for their very generous gift. I will be in prayer that this great ministry of theirs will continue so that many clergy members will be blessed with the same opportunity I was blessed with."

Indiana was blessed with the support of the Grand Master of Masons to the Holy Land Pilgrimage for 1994. The Grand Lodge under the direction of A. Vincent May, Most Worshipful Grand Master, sent five of the fourteen ministers that traveled from Indiana. In 1993 two of the pastors from Indiana were sponsored by the Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star.

We know in Michigan that the Grand Lodge newspaper carried a special news article on the Pilgrimage from that state - and the Grand Lodge of Indiana through the *Indiana Freemason* carried the story of the '94 Pilgrimage. Use the media from the different bodies of Masonry to let our Brethren know what we are, by the Grace of God, accomplishing through this Holy Land ministry. Have the constituent Commandery place a news release in the local newspaper.

One constituent Commandery had a pancake breakfast, through a chain restaurant, that shared the proceeds to help send a pastor to the Holy Land. Medallions are available through Sir Knight P. Fred Lesley to help raise funds for the minister's trip.

A reminder to make the presentation of the Pilgrimage in the minister's church thus letting others know what Knights Templar are about.

All who travel on this Pilgrimage are to be licensed or ordained ministers; wives are included providing they meet the requirement of being licensed or ordained. Preferably the minister will have had at least five years of full time ministry after his/her training and have at least ten years ministry remaining prior to his/her retirement.

Reverend Dennis Holinger-Lant, St. John's East United Church of Christ, when asked what the trip meant to him in his ministry and life after having traveled ten years ago on the Pilgrimage wrote:

"It has meant a great deal to me. Especially as I move through the Lenten Season, toward the most powerful day in the Christian year – Easter - my trip to the Holy Land provides strength and inspiration for everything I do. The words to that familiar hymn keep coming back to me, "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked." Even though my trip was over ten years ago, I can still close my eyes and see vividly the sights of Jerusalem, the path coming down from the Mount of Olives, winding its way through the Garden of Gethsemane and Kidron Valley. **It still sends chills up my spine. These kinds of memories come to my congregation** through my preaching and teaching.

"As our men gather for Bible study, I can give them a clearer picture of what Jesus faced. As I read the scripture lessons, I can visualize more clearly for myself, the setting of the stories. Not only did the journey give me a deeper spiritual sense of my faith, but also a more realistic outlook on the modern Mid-east. It is easier for me to interpret the day-to-day events as these nations try to move toward a peace making process.

"In my own life, the trip has given me a sense of inner peace. I still remember the day we sat on the Mount of Beatitudes, overlooking the sea of Galilee. The Lord's Prayer" was being read by one of the team, and I was filled with a renewed sense of life and ministry of Jesus. When things get hectic in my ministry, I draw upon that strength, and continue with God's help, to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ."

This letter from this pilgrim pastor, along with many other letters, proclaim what this Knights Templar program is all about.

Sir Knights, our Holy Land Pilgrimage for 1995-18th Pilgrimage for our program - will be: First section - February 7 through the 17th, 1995; Second section - February 21 through March 3, 1995. The cost will be approximately \$1,500.00 from New York. Plan your fund-raising program now - get your minister selection process started now. Every grand jurisdiction in this Grand Encampment can send a Pilgrim minister - with God's help. Without his help and yours, these 677 ministers would not have gone.

Thank you, Sir Knights, for your support and we earnestly solicit the continued support of the Most Eminent Grand Master and distinguished officers of the Grand Encampment. Thank you for permitting us to be the servants of this Christian commission of the Holy Land Pilgrimage.

What better service can we perform for the service of God than sending of his shepherds for their spiritual enrichment?

Respectfully submitted,

R. Frank Williams, P.G.C. , P.G.P., KCT - Indiana Co-chairman
P. Fred Lesley, P.G.C., G.R., KCT - Michigan - Co-chairman

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Come then, dear followers of Christ, your hand;
Together, Pilgrims, to the Holy Land!
Climb limbly now, along the sacred hills;
Drink joyously, the cool, refreshing rills;
Tread the same pathway in this later age
That Jesus trod in earthly pilgrimage.
All well-known things are there; from flowers that bloom
And trees that soar, down to his empty tomb;
And all things speak in nature's chorus true,
Of Him who lived, and loved, and died for you.
Come, and when holier land, where Christ hath gone,
Breaks on your sight, when breaks the expectant morn.
O'er heavenly hills, and faith and hope shall die,
The deepest secrets of the upper sky
Shall be revealed; the humblest emblem here
Shall have its antitype celestial there,
And earth, with all its imagery be given
A school to fit us for the perfect heaven.

This poem was written by Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Kentucky, Robert Morris, who traveled to Jerusalem in 1868.

3rd Holy Land Pilgrimage Medallion



Artists rendering of Holy Land Pilgrimage Medallion

The 3rd Holy Land Pilgrimage medallion has been created. It is a beautiful $2\frac{3}{4}$ -inch bronze medallion depicting the crucified Christ and the empty tomb, a scene with which every Knight Templar is familiar. Only three hundred of these medallions have been struck, so you will want to get your keepsake now before they are all gone. The cost is

\$40.00 each, and \$18.00 of each will be returned to the Holy Land Pilgrimage fund of your Grand Commandery.

To purchase one of these beautiful medallions and at the same time make a contribution to the Holy Land Pilgrimage, please write to: P. Fred Lesley, P.O. Box 498, Battle Creek, MI 49016.



View of reverse side

Notes From the Heart

On the Holy and Pilgrimage

by Reverend Rob Jennings-Teats

It is difficult to believe that only a few days ago I was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, climbing the steps to the ancient Temple Mount and following Jesus' footsteps to Calvary and the place of his passion.

In completing this pilgrimage to the Holy Land, I will never be the same. When I read the scripture about how David fled from Saul to Engedi, I will now be able to picture this beautiful spring and oasis on the edge of a stark desert. When I read how Jesus went up to Jerusalem and viewed the city from the Mount of Olives, I will know how the wind feels on the skin and how many steps it took him to climb to the city's Eastern Gate. The views, the smells, the sounds that our biblical forebears knew, I now know.

Before leaving for the Holy Land, I set two goals for my pilgrimage. First, I wanted to experience God's grace of healing and wholeness. Second, I wanted to be touched by God's grace of transformation. I found myself blessed with both.

On the fourth day I climbed the steps to the top of Jerusalem's Temple Mount. Here is where Jesus came to confront the religious leaders of his day. Here is the place where Abraham brought his son Isaac, at God's command, to sacrifice him. Here is the place where Solomon built his temple and where Ezra built the second temple. According to Islam, it is also the place where Mohammed ascended to heaven.

Today there is a most beautiful mosque that is build over the rock summit

where the angel staid Abraham's hand and spared Isaac. On this stone the Judeans made their atoning sacrifices. After touching this rock and sensing the incredible holiness of that place, I climbed down to the western wall, now known as the "Wailing Wall."

This wall is all that remains of the second temple, built following the Exile. This wall is regarded as a sacred place for prayer. I brought my prayers for the forgiveness of my transgressions, for the healing of my hurts, wounds, and separations. I brought my simple prayers for grace and union with God. I prayed that I would find shalom and that our world would find peace. With my forehead and palms touching that ancient wall I felt God's special gift of healing.

Transformation came more subtly and took more time, but it did come. This transformation in me was found in a renewed and deepened relationship with Jesus as the Christ. In walking on the very stones, paths and roads where he walked, in standing in the place where he preached and taught, in touching the stones where he was tried and whipped, I felt Jesus come alive for me in a way that has never been before.

I am thankful that I was given this opportunity by the Knights Templar and that you permitted me to go. You will certainly hear more.

Grace and peace,
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Why the Holy Land Pilgrimage?

by Sir Knight and Reverend Jan L. Baderstadt

Walk about Zion, go around her, count her towers, consider well her ramparts, view her citadels, that you may tell of them to the next generation.

For this God is our God for ever and ever; He will be our guide even to the end. Psalm 48:12-14

Since 1977, 677 pastors have traveled to the Holy Land to count the towers, to walk about the Holy City of Jerusalem, to sail on the Sea of Galilee and to experience the land where the Patriarchs dwelled, where David and Solomon reigned and our Savior Jesus Christ walked.

It's a small piece of land, about 200 miles long and ninety miles wide at its widest point. It is a land of many contrasts, from the snows of Mt. Hermon at the very north where the headwaters of the Jordan River begin a drop of 1,500 feet deep at the Dead Sea, ninety miles away. In this tiny country there is the fertile Galilee where the olive trees grow to the stark Negev Desert in the south.

For most of the world, Israel has a significant meaning, and for Christians everywhere, this very place conjures up images, both real and imaginary as they reflect on the Bible stories.

For too many pastors, the land of Israel is not real, but simply a place in a book that one tries to interpret week after week for one's congregation. Only when one experiences the land can the teacher truly be effective.

Pastors who travel on the Holy Land Pilgrimage with the Knights Templar do more than see the land. They walk it, they meet the peoples of that diverse culture, they taste the foods and they experience so many things that can not possibly be learned from books and videos.

For Knights Templar, it is the

opportunity to invest in the future of the Christian church which they have sworn to defend, to honor, and to be true to. Our ancient brethren honored the faith with sword and buckler; but modern times call for the advancement by word and pen. If we can equip our teachers and preachers of the holy word with the experience of a lifetime, then we can touch the lives of thousands, possibly millions of Christians, who will gain greater insight into the faith as the world of Christ comes alive for them through the pastors whom we've sent to Israel.

This writer is a Knight Templar as well as a Christian pastor, who traveled on the Pilgrimage in 1993. My ministry took a new turn, because the trip touched my life in so many ways. There was spiritual renewal for the soul. There was the chance to learn more about the culture which helps to unlock the secrets of the Bible. Place names became real because there was an image to go with the name. And equipped with this, I now could become a more effective pastor, thanks to the Holy Land Pilgrimage and the Knights Templar.

I urge you to financially support the Holy Land Pilgrimage. My congregation and I have seen what a difference it makes in my ministry, and in the lives of the people I teach, pray for and minister to.

Your financial support will go a long way in shaping the Christian church as we enter its third millennium.

"I rejoiced with those who said to me Let us go into the house of the Lord.' Our feet are standing in your gates, O Jerusalem." (Psalm 122:1-2)

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Missouri Commandery Hosts Reception/Banquet Honoring Grand Master Mayford



Ascalon Commandery No. 16, Knights Templar of St. Louis, Missouri, honored Sir Knight Blair Christy Mayford, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, and his Lady Dorella at a reception/banquet on Saturday, August 27.

The reception/banquet was held at the Holiday Inn, Westport, in West St. Louis County, Missouri.

Many friends, ladies, Sir Knights and family members from the St. Louis area and from the state of Missouri and various jurisdictions of the Grand Encampment, nationwide, attended the celebration.

Dignitaries attending the great affair were Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Missouri and presiding and past presiding officers of the York Rite bodies of Missouri. Officers and past officers of the Grand Encampment included the states of Maine, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Kentucky and South Dakota.

The reception/banquet gave the newly installed Grand Master the best opportunity to thank the members of his Commandery, especially Sir Knight Emory J. Hampel, Eminent Commander of Ascalon Commandery; Sir Knight B. J. Boyer, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander of Missouri and Personal Aide to the Grand Master, and his Lady Elizabeth; Sir Knight James H. Miller, Past Grand High Priest of Missouri, and his Lady Dorothy for all of their efforts in his behalf including venturing forth to Denver on a chartered bus where some forty Sir Knights stood honor guard at the Installation Ceremony. Also, the new Grand Master thanked them for outfitting him in his finest regalia, a now uniform complete with chapeau, and for honoring him with a reception/banquet fit for a king.

Wills Eye Hospital Researcher Receives Grant From KTEF

Wills Eye Hospital, located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was the scene of the presentation of a \$20,000.00 research grant from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Pictured receiving the grant from the then Northeastern Department Commander, Sir

Knight John L. Winkelman, is Dr. Robert D. Reinecke (center), Director of the Foerderer Center for the study of eye movement disorders in children. Also pictured is Sir Knight Walter B. Pearce (right), Grand Recorder of Pennsylvania, who participated in the presentation.

Dr. Reinecke received the grant on behalf of Dr. Irene Gottlob, a clinical and research fellow of the Foerderer Center. Dr. Gottlob, who has co-authored forty-five research papers since 1980, was in Europe conducting additional studies and was unavailable for the presentation. Dr. Gottlob's current research centers on the study of the drug levodopa and its effect on amblyopia, a disorder in children commonly known as "Lazy Eye."

Dr. McWilliams Kessler, Executive Director of the Wills Hospital, stated in an acknowledgement letter: The support of benefactors, such as yourselves, is vital to the continued progress of our research efforts. We are fortunate that the Knights Templar share our dedication to the preservation of sight."



KTEF Flearch Awards Presented To Promising Young Iowa Doctors

On July 11 the Knights Templar Eye Foundation awarded three grants of approximately \$20,000 each to ophthalmology investigators at the University of Iowa College of Medicine to pursue research on the genetic basis of inherited eye disorders that cause impaired vision or blindness. Clifford M. Baumbach, P.G.C. and State Chairman of the Eye Foundation, presented one of the awards to David M. Brown for the continuation of his research on the genetic causes of retinal detachments and cataracts. Others receiving KTEF grants were Dr. Sean P. Donahue for earlier detection of amblyopia and its response to treatment in children, and Dr. Darryl V. Nishimura for his study of infantile glaucoma.



Shown in the photograph from left to right, are Dr. Thomas A. Weingeist, head of the Department of Ophthalmology; Sir Knight Clifford M. Baumbach; Dr. Nishimura; Dr. Donahue; Dr. Brown; and Sir Knight William P. Dusenbery. R.E.G.C.

In previous studies at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, also funded by the Eye Foundation, eight eye diseases have thus far been linked to specific genes in the human chromosomes, and over forty genetic mutations have been discovered in these eye diseases: Leber's

disease (an optic nerve disorder), butterfly dystrophy and Best's disease (macular degenerations), glaucoma, retinal detachment and cataracts (Strickler syndrome), retinitis pigmentosa, and hereditary obesity. Principal investigators in these studies were Drs. Edwin M. Stone, Val C. Sheffield, David M. Brown, and Thomas A. Weingeist.

Palestine Commandery, Paris, Illinois Presents Check For Knights Templar Home

According to Recorder Charles R. Pennington, Palestine Commandery No. 27, Paris, Illinois, presented a check for \$450 for the Knights Templar Home Building Fund on August 18, 1994. In the picture Ray Prather (center), Administrator, and Sir Knight Charles Irish (left), of the Board of Directors, accept the check from Sir Knight Charles R. Pennington (right), Recorder of Palestine Commandery No. 27.

The funds were raised from contributions and the proceeds of a memorial dinner held July 30, 1994, to honor Sir Knight David P. Enkoff and Sir Knight Rolland J. Spencer, both of Palestine Commandery No. 27.



Ohio ,Sir Knight Still Going Strong



Sir Knight Homer C. Henry, Jr., a member of Palestine Commandery's third place Class B. Drill Team at the Triennial in Denver, is a Past High Priest of Portage Chapter, Barberton, Ohio, and the present Deputy Master of Springfield Council No. 17.

He and his wife Mary Lou, from Akron, Ohio, are residents of the Ohio Masonic Home in Springfield, Ohio. He is certainly is not one to retire in a rocking chair!

Update-Iowa City, Iowa

Department Of Ophthalmology University Of Iowa Hospitals And Clinics

The following are two letters written by Thomas A. Weingeist, M.D., Ph.D., professor and head of the Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics: the first to Past Grand Master William H. Thornley, Jr., and the second to Stephen J. Ryan, M.D., dean and professor of the Doheny Eye Institute in Los Angeles, California, and chair of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

Dear Mr. Thornley:

On July 11, members of the Department of Ophthalmology had a delightful dinner meeting and award ceremony with members of the Knights Templar and their spouses. Among those who were in attendance were William Dusenbery, R.E.G.C., and Clifford Baumbach, Professor Emeritus at the University of Iowa and as you know, Iowa State Chairman of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

As we gathered in the Atrium Dining Room of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, I couldn't help but feel a very great sense of pride knowing that members of the Department of Ophthalmology had received three awards from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Among the awardees was Dr. David Brown, who two years in a row had submitted what was considered one of the best proposals. His work under the leadership of Dr. Ed Stone, who was just promoted to associate professor with tenure, is already having an important impact in combating preventable blindness.

I would like to share a story with you that occurred this past year. Based on the work that David Brown and Ed Stone did last year dealing with Stickler syndrome, a condition which often leads to blindness in children, they were able to develop a blood test to identify children with this condition. We anticipate that by identifying children with this problem we will be able to treat them earlier and prevent complicated retinal detachments which occur with this syndrome.

I received a telephone call from an elderly woman who I had been following for some twenty years with this condition, telling me that one of her grandchildren had just given birth and asking whether there was some way we might be able to tell whether this great-grandchild was also affected. We made arrangements for the pediatrician to send us a specimen of blood, and within a few days were able to inform them that the baby also had Stickler syndrome. This will mean that we will be able to evaluate this child sooner and hopefully institute treatment before any serious problems arise. If the blood test had shown that the child was unaffected, we would have been able to assure the parents that there was no risk of blindness from this disease and avoid the frequent examinations which are necessary in affected children.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation's support was crucial to our success in this study and in others developed in our laboratory dealing with infantile glaucoma. I hope you will share with your members, and especially the Scientific Advisory Board, our gratitude and thanks for your continuing support of our efforts to combat blindness, especially in children. A scientific revolution is taking place in the field of genetics and molecular biology, and we are fortunate to have in Iowa some of the leading physicians and scientists in the world working in this area.

Many thanks for all of the efforts which you and the members of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation make in combating blindness.

Dear Dr. Ryan:

I want to share with you the great sense of pride and excitement I have derived from the support the Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Iowa has received from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

I am exceedingly proud of the accomplishments of particularly Dr. Ed Stone, who I believe has developed one of the leading ophthalmic molecular biology laboratories in the world, and Dr. Randy Kardon, who is an innovative scientist and superb neuro-ophthalmologist.

On Monday evening we had a small dinner party for members of the Grand Commandery of Iowa and their spouses. One of the members of the Knights Templar traveled clear across the state from Sioux City just for the occasion and returned the same evening by car. There was much pomp and circumstance, but we also had an opportunity to share our excitement about the research that is being supported by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and to thank them for their generous support. The Iowa group was very impressed, and we, of course, were very flattered to receive three awards this year and to learn that Dr. David Brown, two years in a row, had submitted one of the best proposals, and that only fourteen awards were given nation-wide out of fifty-four applications.

I hope that, as Chair of the Scientific Advisory Board, you will share my sincere thanks with its members, and impress upon them how vital their support is to our clinical and research program. The funds we have received from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation during the past few years have contributed to the success we had this year in receiving three major federally-supported grants.

Your visionary leadership in establishing the Alliance for Eye and Vision Research and your more than a decade of working with the Knights Templar Eye Foundation are exemplary.

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200 Hawkins Drive
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Missouri Sir Knight Commissioned Kentucky Colonel

On August 15, 1994, Sir Knight W. Brad Bemby of Lebanon, Missouri, was named a Kentucky Colonel. Commissions for Kentucky Colonels are awarded for contributions to the community, state, and nation and for special achievements. The colonels are Kentucky's ambassadors of good will and fellowship around the world. It is the highest honor awarded by the state of Kentucky.

Sir Knight Bemby is active in several organizations including Laclede Lodge No. 83, A.F. & A.M.; Lebanon Chapter No. 64, R.A.M.; Lebanon Council No. 56; Lebanon Commandery No. 33, and Abou Ben Adhem Shrine Temple.



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A beautiful Knights Templar certificate-great gift! 11"x14" blue parchment, paper certificate with live colors. the gold archways are embossed, and 80% of the letters are raised letter. There are ax shadow figures. Cost is \$8.00 each including S & H. Net proceeds will benefit the Eye Foundation. Limited edition of only 2,500 certificates. When ordering, please refer to by name, What is A Templar? Certificates will be mailed out twenty-one days after order received. Ordered in amounts of ten certificates or more I can provide a discount Send orders to: Stanley C.Buz, P.O. Box 702, Whitehall, PA 18052. Please include check or money order and your telephone number with your order.

For sale: Commandery coat, size 56; tail coat, size 52; tux coat, size 50. Fred Spangler, 7424 E. Speedway, Apt. 1-155; Tucson; AZ 85710.

For sale: Knight Templar coat, size 42-like-new, excellent condition. Also, hat with cover, badges, sword, scabbard and leather case, plus belts. Purchased from C. E. Ward Company, New London, OH. Will accept \$200.00 complete or best offer. Doretta Brock 227 S. Brock Pt., Inverness, FL 34450, (904) 344-198.4

For sale: K.T. ceremonial sword and metal scabbard, 75 to 100 years old excellent condition. Made by J. Luker, 133 Grandt. New York. Name engraved on sword is "A. Hubbard." Sword has ivory hand grip w/silver handle, silver K.T. insignia and silver knights helmet head at top. Scabbard with silver at tip and two areas with crosses; three rings for attachment. For more info and appointment to see sword contact Lewis D. Corvene, 9402 Tournament Drive, Hudson, FL 34667, (813) 869-2881.

Video for your Lodge or Masonic programs. The "Masonic Quiz Tape" has over four hours 01 questions and answers of Masonic interest. Provoke thought and bring light to the Craft. VHS tape \$10.00 each, \$1.50 S & ft Partial proceeds to KTEF. Also, cross stitch Masonic emblem ornaments and book marks. Quantities of six, \$4.00, no S & H. Earl H. Spahlinger 848 E. College St., Alliance, OH 44601, (2 6) 823-8336.

For sale: C.P.O. coats, poly-wool, summer weight; sizes 44 short 44X long, and 46 short. \$23.00 includes shipping and handling. 10% of all sales will be donated to KTEF. General Merchandise Company 13690 Broad Street, S. W; Pataskala; OH 43062; (614) 927-7073.

For sale: new C.P.O. coats, uniform coats, polyester/wool, summer weight sizes: 42S, 44S 44XL. Sorry, we are out of 48XLj \$0.00 each plus . & H. Small sizes (35S and 36XS) for \$5.00 each can be used as pocket flap material. Percentage will be donated to KTEF. John Myers, 2120 N. SR. 127, Angola IN 46703, (219) 665-2797 or J. William Meyers, 1466 East U.S Highway 20, Angola, IN 46703, (2 9) 665-5686.

Sprig of Acacia lapel pins: Each handcrafted pin is of sterling silver with a 24k gold vermeil. Price is only \$9.00 per pin, including S and H. Order now for the holidays. 10% of

proceeds will benefit the KTEF. These unique pins are available only through Professional Creations Unlimited, 1630 Orchard Hill Roaa Cheshire, CT06410-3 728.

You can help the KTEF! Aviano Lodge No. 643, F. & AM., in Aviano, Italy, is offering a beautifully enchanting "praying hands" plate, 7" diameter, featuring 2 praying hands in front of a peaceful, towered setting. Made of genuine porcelain with lovely "Copenhagen finish and has loop on back and comes with an easel, so you can hang it on the wall or display it on a table. All proceeds will go to benefit the KTEF. Send \$10.95 plus \$2.50 S & H to Frank Farrar; PSC 54, Box 701; APO AEO960I.

Newly published: book with names of members of Masonic Fraternity who received our nation's highest military award for bravery, the Medal of Honor. Also has congressional citations and a brief history of same plus the name of the Masonic Lodge of which the recipient is a member. Cost is \$9.95 es., plus \$3.00 S & H. CT residents please add 6% state sales tax. 10% of profits will be donated to KTEF. Check or money order to The Weidner Publishing Group, 490 Cornwall Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410. Sorry, no CODs.

Wanted: sot of lodge columns and glass globes found at senior warden station. If you know of some not being used, we have a home in an active lodge for them. To work out details Joe Dion, P.O. Box 5, South Woodstock VT 05071, (802) 457-1536.

For sale: New York State Royal Arch Mason pin for R.A.M. charities. Offered by the 2nd Capitular District is a red and white enameled, gold-plated metal pin in the shape of New York State with the words "Royal Arch Mason." \$5.00 includes postage. Check or money order payable to Royal Arch Mason Charities and send to J. N. Jacobsen Jr., D.D.G.H.P; 60 Manor Road; Staten Island; NY IOiO-2626.

The Grand Lodge of Vermont is celebrating its bicentennial during 1994. A commemorative coin has been struck to mark the occasion, and several mementos including the coin are currently available: commemorative coin, \$5.50; money clip, \$9.00, paperweight (coin incased in lucite), \$13.50; clock and coin (incased in lucite), \$33.00; bicentennial pin, \$3.00; unique Vermont covered bridge pin. \$3.00. Prices include postage and handling. Grand Lodge of Vermont, 431 Pine St, Burlington VT05401.

Phelps Masonic Lodge No. 482, Farmer, KY, had 500 hundred key rings with medallions made for our 125th year anniversary. One side has Blue Lodge working tools, reverse side has Phelps Lodge No. 462 F. & AM. " square and compass and "1 869-1 25-1994 years-Farmers, KY. Gerald M. McDaniel Secretary; 926 N. To/liver Road; Morehea4 KY 40351.

Marzuq Drum Corps at Tallahassee, Florida, is forming up. We need: a bass drum, snare drums, five mouth pieces (metal or other O.K.). Contact George Lundrigan, Ph.D.; 609 Terrace Avenue; Tallahassee, FL 32308; (904) 222-2251 (24 hours). Advise as to condition and price wanted.

Baker Chapter No. 139. RAM., has minted one hundred 99.9% pure fine silver shekels like those paid by Baker Chapter to each new Mark Master upon receiving his degree. Traditional marking on one side, Baker Chapter markings on reverse, where Mark Master may engrave personal mark. Limited minting to raise money. Cost of each silver shekel, \$13.50. Checks or money orders payable to Baker Chapter, No. 139, RAM. Order from Joseph E. Levy Secretary Baker Chapter No. 139 RAM.; 1444 Carriage Hill Drive, Hudson, OH 44223g.

Pythagoras Lodge No. 41 F. & A.M. of Decatur, Georgia, is celebrating its 150th anniversary in 1994. Commemorative coins in bronze, \$6.00 each, pp.; silver, \$26.00 each, pp. Send check to Secretary G. H. McLandon 108 F. Ponce de Leon Avenue, Decatur, 13A 30030.

For sale: large 10k yellow-gold ring with 2.98 carat diamond prong mounted in Shrine emblem with side mounted Masonic and Scottish Rite emblems. Diamond 9.46 to 9.62 mm in diameter, color K-L-M and clarity S12. Certified appraisal, \$16 800. Will accept \$9,000.00 or best offer. David W. Moss, Treas.; San Jose York Rite Bodies, 2500 Masonic Dove, San Jose, CA 95125, (408) 867-4952.

Wanted: York Rite token. A token which I kept on my person had the keystone and letters on one side and read one token on the other. I had it since 1972 but lost it recently. If necessary, I will pay modest fee for the token and postage. Phillip R. Davis; Route 4, Box 278; Wayne, NC 28786

Wanted: Masonic ring I have only seen once or twice: It is round but has square panels the entire length, and set into each panel is a Masonic emblem that has been enameled. I would especially like to find Blue Lodge, K.T. 32¹, and Shrine on the ring - new or used, O.K. Bruton Dawkins, 9955 West Tams Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70815 (504) 925-9404.

For sale: 2 vol. set Mackey's Revised Encyclopedia of Freemasonry, \$100; vol. 1, Mackey's Encyclopedia \$45; Morals and Dogma, \$25 1888 Odd Fellowship \$0; brass Masonic trivet (old), 35 K.T. Commander's sword/scabbard (v.g.c.), \$25; K. sword and scabbard \$145 size 7 chapeau, \$85; Early East In. Chestnut Pie Sale w/ Masonic tins \$1,400. U.P.S. extra George Odie P.O. Box 788, Mt Home, TN 37684-0788, (615) 282-7J3S.

Masonic pocket watches: We still have a few of these old-time, mechanical American pocket watches, value-priced at only \$25b, postage and insurance included. Each has Masonic symbols instead of numbers on the dial and is a clean running timepiece in either yellow or white gold finish. Call The Professor at (512) 882-5974. Send check or money order for \$250 to H. C. Arbuckle /1/, Box 3026, Corpus Christi, TX 78463-3026. You'll be glad you did!

Wanted: Tennessee Masonic Chapter pennies and other related medals. I am working on a book listing Tennessee tokens which were used by drug stores, general stores, bakeries, confectionaries, lumber and coal companies and other businesses, plus I am adding Chapter pennies. Joe C. Copeland, PD. Box 4221, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, (615) 482-4215.

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 end 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. Maurice Storck Sr.; 775 W. Roger Road No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (602) 888-75.85

For sale: The History of McKinley Lodge, No. 712 F & AM., 1919-1994. This 365-page hardback book, a chronological history of McKinley from its inception to present with several pictures, is written by W. B. William . McNabney. \$25.00 plus \$4.00 S & H. Call (219) 923-6656 or write P.O. Box 4056, Hammond, IN 46324.

For sale: 2 books: The Royal Order of Scotland by R. S. Lindsay and The Royal Order of Scotland - The Second One Hundred Years, R. S. Lindsay. Contact for cost: W. E. Johannsen, 430 Midway Island, Clearwater, FL 34630 or (813) 447-3730

For sale: Morals and Dogma of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry prepared for the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree for the Southern Jurisdiction of the U.S., Charleston, 1912; and An Encyclopedia of Freemasonry and Its Kindred Sciences by Albert G. Mackey, New and Revised Ed by Edward Hawkins, Vol. I and II, The Masonic History Company, 1917. Sell for best offer. Ott Coulson, Box 304, Brookfield MO 64628.

For sale: men's and ladies' quartz watches, expansion or leather band, made in U.S.A. any logo and blue, white or gold dials. Working tools of Mason in lieu of numbers. Member's name, Lodge/Chapter on dial. Past Master or Past Matron available. Order now for Xmas delivery. \$68.00 includes S & H. Ten or more to same address \$60.00 each. 1602) 968-7021, Harry G. Bowen 2633 S. Country Club Way, Tempe, AZ 85282-29' 1.

For sale: 32^m Masonic ring with 14k yellow-gold band set with 1/2 ct diamond and emblems as follows: double eagles, platinum on face; 32^m, and "yod" insignia on sides. Size, 10 1/2; price, \$1,800.00. Retail value, \$3,000.00 N. L. Bremmer 18709 Fairfield Road, Hagerstown, MD 2174Z (301') 739-4020.

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Wanted to purchase: military, WWI and WWII memorabilia, especially army air corps and German military souvenirs. Include personal experiences relating. Chris A. Starlin, P.O. Box 423, Buda, TX 78610, (512) 295-4251.

Wanted: book entitled Memories of the Old Emigrant Days in Kansas, 1862-1865 by Adela Orpen. Ivan S. Irwin; Rt 2, Box 180; Mound City; KS 66056.

Attention: Wish to purchase for collection: German and Japanese military souvenirs, helmets, uniforms hats swords, daggers, medals books, or an other military item. Carl H. taus4 Box 141, Setauke NY 1173.3, (516) 751-5556.

Violinist teacher and collector of violins, violas and cellos will buy these instruments in any condition. When a good student comes along, I loan to him/her at no charge. H. Harry Kazarian 91 Beaufort Street, Providence, Rhode Island, 02909.

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For sale: choice lot (No. 89, spaces AB C and O) in Masonic section Arlington Memorial Park, 3400 N. Midwest Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73141 Value \$1,595.00; will take, \$800.00 Richard Ed Gray, 1420 W Steding Ave., OK City, OK 73127-4056, (405) 942-798

For sale: single cemetery lot in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Cypress, CA, located near road in sheltering trees Section. Value, \$1,150; will accept, \$975. Bates Christian 179 Arlington St., Long Beach, CA 90805-2211, (310)422-410

Mount Emblem Cemetery, Elmhurst, Twilight section-3 lots \$3,585 value for \$1 500 or best offer. Call Collect, (704) 891-8962 after 5 (.M.

4th Reunion-1995: U.S.S. L.S.T., 528, U.S. Amphibious Forces—E.T.O., 1943-1946, and 2nd recommissioning in 1950s, Korea (Bob Willard) Robert F. Farrinrjton P.O. Box 486, East Haven, CT 0651Z (203) 467-285.

1995 Reunion: American Assoc. of Navy Hospital Corpsmen in Pensacola, FL Sept. 14-17, 1995. Further details and membership Joe B. Havens, Founder Senior chief Hospital Corpsman; U.S. Navy, Retired, 3452 Highland Park Place; Memphis; TN 38111.

Wanted: personnel who were in the 6th Air Force (Panama) between 1939 and 1946. Robert L. Taylor, Editor of Caribbean Breeze CIO Antique Airfield; Route 2, Box 172; Ottumwa IA 2501 or Ralph F Anderson, 141 So. Lucy Street, Porterville, CA 93257.

The One Hundredth Psalm

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye
lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness:

come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord, he is God:

it is he that hath made us,

and not we ourselves:

we are his people,

and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving,

and into his courts with praise:

be thankful unto him,

and bless his name.

For the Lord is good;

his mercy is everlasting:

and his truth endureth to all generations.