



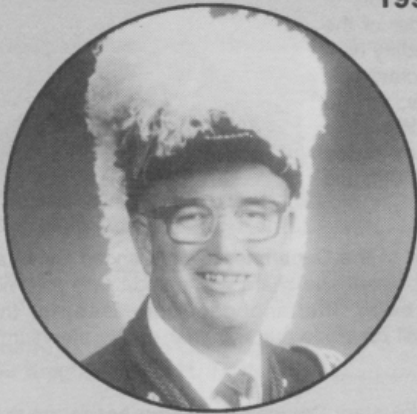
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## Spring Is Sprung

Sir Knights, as you read this editorial, I hope that you can reflect on the happenings of the past months since the Grand Encampment Triennial Conclave in Denver last August.

We are just recovering from a great fall and winter season. We are now in the first several weeks of spring, and looking forward to that part of the year that brings new hope for the future.

We of the Grand Encampment have had a very busy fall and winter season with six most successful Department Conferences, Grand Commandery Conclaves, and many social obligations since our installation as your officers of the Grand Encampment in Denver. We have been in attendance at the 3rd International Conference of Grand Masters in Toronto, Canada; Sovereign Great Priory of Canada; Supreme Assembly of the Social Order of the Beauceant; my own reception from my Commandery here in St. Louis; Northern Jurisdiction of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite; Rose Bowl Parade; Grand Masters' Conference in Fargo; A.M.D. Week in Washington, DC; Knights Templar Eye Foundation meetings; Easter Sunrise Service in Washington, DC; and obligations too numerous to list.

As those of you who have been in attendance at the Department Conferences know, all officers of the Grand Encampment have been present and share our agenda with you. We are looking forward to June when we will be in Chattanooga, Tennessee, for the Southeastern Department Conference, which will conclude our first year of this trienniums Department Conferences.

May sees the final results of the 27th Annual Voluntary Campaign, and our hopes are that we have another one million-dollar fund-raising event.

### Mother's Day

May also is a month that has been set aside for many years to honor our mothers.

To all of our mothers and our ladies who are mothers: This is a day that we give all our love and respect to those of you who have dedicated your lives to all of us and our families.

### Memorial Day

This is also the month for us to remember those who gave their last full measure of devotion for their country when called upon to lay down their lives in its defense.



Blair Christy Mayford  
Grand Master

# Knight Templar

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

**MAY:** This month we celebrate the Holy Land Pilgrimage with a whole section on that great philanthropy, including a wonderful poem to inspire you to start your fund-raising and minister selection for the next pilgrimage. It starts on page 7. And a short essay beginning on page 5 celebrates the special day when we honor and remember our mothers, Mother's Day. Our May cover features four of our Right Eminent Department Commanders, and their biographies start on page 21. The remaining three biographies will be presented in the June issue. Our yearly summary of A.M.D. Weekend in Washington, DC, starts on page 12.

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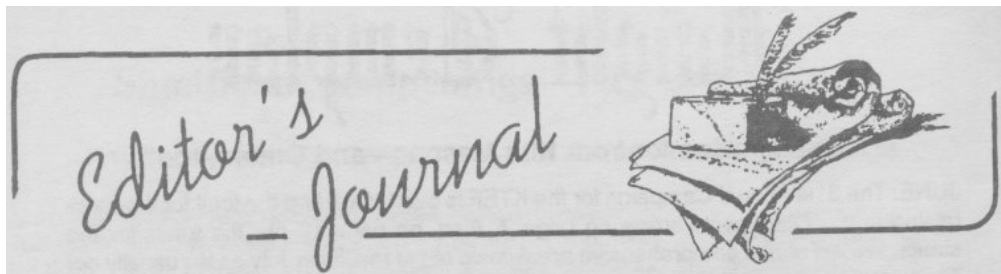
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**Announcement:** The Grand Encampment continues a program of Honors, which has two levels: Knight Grand Cross of the Temple and Knight Commander of the Temple. This program gives the Grand Encampment a way of honoring Sir Knights who have distinguished 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 Cross of Honor holder.

**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, 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.

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**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. • **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.

**The Unseen Journey,** a Masonic videotape, is available from the Grand Encampment: A professional one-hour videotape telling the story of Masonry has been made for the Mason and non-Mason by Fratres of a professional audio/visual company, under the supervision of the Grand Lodge of Illinois. This exciting and informative tape employs the highest production standards. Copies are on sale here for \$29.95 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. Send check to the Grand Encampment, 5097 N. Elston Ave., Suite 101, Chicago, IL 60630-2460

In the book of Isaiah, chapter 66 at verse 13, we can read some words that are worth pondering: "As one whom his mother comforts, so will I comfort you; and you shall be comforted."

That familiar verse is an Old Testament version of the Prodigal Son, with this difference: Instead of returning to his father, the prodigal returns to his mother. Another difference is that the prodigal is not a person but a nation.

When we turn back the pages of history, we are reminded that Israel for a long time had been like a wandering child, exiled in a far country. The far country was Babylon, where for seventy years a nation lived as though in captivity and slavery. These were years of heartbreak when under foreign rulers the people had hung their harps upon the willows and refused to sing.

Now, like penitent prodigals, a nation was returning to its homeland. Beside the desolate city with its broken walls, God appeared, ready to welcome his sad and forlorn people, so from the prophet's voice came the words: "As one whom his mother comforts, so do I comfort you."

Another suggestion in the parable that we shouldn't miss is the maturity and age which are written into the words. Time has passed. The thoughtless and ungrateful nation has grown into manhood. The experience of the far country has brought maturity, and the nation is no longer like a wayward youth but is reaching up to become fully responsible. With wounds and weariness, a nation, though exiled for seventy years, still belongs to its own motherhood. In the presence of God, strength and honor will be revived.

It is a tribute to motherhood and an interesting revelation of who God is.

The language of religion has taught us to think in terms of God as father. "Like as a father pitieth his children," the Bible says, and Jesus teaches us to pray, "Our Father who art in heaven." God always seems to be

## The Motherhood Of God -

### A Parable

by Reverend and Sir Knight Donald  
Craig Kerr, 32°

put into a masculine frame of reference.

Here, in these words of an Old Testament parable, motherhood is proclaimed as a perfect counterpart of the divine nature. Such an idea implies home, family, a sense of belonging, and the important influence of women as mothers.

In the city of Atlanta there is a statue to one of the South's prominent journalists, Henry W. Grady. Behind the statue is the story of how he, when older in years, had assumed the heavy burden of many public affairs.

One day he left his office without a word said to anyone. From Thursday to Monday no one knew where he had gone. His chair was vacant and his whereabouts a mystery, but when Monday came, he returned with a smile on his face and a spring in his step.

As the mystery unravelled, it became known that he had slipped away to his old homestead. He had been away from it for months and he needed something he was missing. Upon seeing his mother, he said to her, "Your boy has been too much out in the world and has been losing his ideals. He has come back to be renourished." Like the father of the Prodigal Son, his mother wrapped her arms around him and tenderly touched his pains and healed his hurts.

Motherhood is where our roots are. It is the fountain of life from whence we

draw refreshment for our souls' thirst. All of us like to be sheltered within the glow of our ancestral heritage. That is where we recapture our design and destiny of purpose. The soul's armor," John Ruskin once remarked, "is never well set to the heart until a woman's hand has braced it, and it is only when she braces it loosely that his manhood fails."

Once a mother had come to Jesus, asking that her two sons might sit, "one at the right hand and the other on the left, in your kingdom." Who would blame a mother for making such a request? It is what all mothers should want for their children.

Jesus did not deny the request, but he promised it could only happen if the sons proved worthy. That is how it is or ought to be in all families. Each must bear the responsibility for what is deserving.

So, the prophet who proclaimed the notion of the motherhood of god would also ask, "Can a woman forget her child that she should not have compassion on her own?"

It is such a wonderful picture to hold before us, seeing in that symbol of godly benevolence the love and patience that does not falter and the hope that does not give up and the faith that always stands on tip-toe. It is what Robbie Burns saw in his mother:

"O wert thou in the cauld blast, On  
yonder lea, on yonder lea; My  
plaidie to the angry airt, I'd shelter  
thee, I'd shelter thee."

The words remind us of the serenity and security which the motherhood of God suggests. "I do not forget thee," says the Lord, "for, I have graven thee upon the palm of my hand."

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### New England S.O.O.B. Assemblies Install Officers

The five New England Assemblies of the Social Order of the Beauseant held their annual installations of officers for the 1995 year. The Worthy Presidents of the Assemblies are: Mrs. Roger L. Tellier of Manchester Assembly No. 93, New Hampshire; Mrs. Archibald J. A. McMillan of Reading Assembly No. 117, Massachusetts; Mrs. Wilbur S. Garabedian of Natick Assembly No. 209, Massachusetts; Mrs. Ronald C. Crabtree of Pawtucket Assembly No. 217, Rhode Island; and Mrs. James Guylon of Auburn Assembly No. 262, Maine.

Grand Commandery officers attending were: Bruce K. Pratt, Grand Commander of Massachusetts/Rhode Island; Charles Kennedy, Grand Commander of New Hampshire; and Gordon L. Kimball, Grand Commander of Maine.

All New England Assemblies wholeheartedly support the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. MA/RI also supports the Carrie E. Seitz Educational Fund, which provides financial aid to deserving young people in their pursuit of higher education.

The S.O.O.B., open to the wives and widows of Knights Templar, is a close-knit group of women whose purpose is to provide friendship and sociability; sympathy and consolation among sisters and give assistance to the Knights Templar when requested.

submitted by Mrs. Archibald J. A. McMillan, W.P.  
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# Reviewing the 18th Holy Land Pilgrimage - Plans for the 19th Holy Land Pilgrimage

## The Committee on the Holy Land Pilgrimage

The 18th Holy Land Pilgrimage has been completed. A total of ninety-four Christian ministers from forty-two grand jurisdictions made the pilgrimage this year, forty-eight with the first group and forty-six with the second group.

When the ministers read the Bible, it will come alive, because they were there. The ministers walked down the Mount of Olives through the Kidron Valley and into the Old City of Jerusalem. They walked the Via Dolorosa; they saw Golgatha and the empty tomb. They were in the little chapel representing the place where Christ ascended. They spent two nights on the shore of the Sea of Galilee and took a boat trip on the sea in a replica of a two thousand-year-old boat recently found buried on the shoreline. The ministers visited Nazareth, Cana Bethlehem. They walked where Jesus walked and taught and healed and prayed. They were there!

Since the Holy Land Pilgrimage program began in 1977, the Sir Knights of forty-seven grand jurisdictions have sent a total of 768 Christian ministers to the Holy Land as their guests.

Plans for the 19th Holy Land Pilgrimage have been completed. The First Section will be from February 6 through February 16, 1996, and the Second Section will be from February 19 through February 29, 1996.

It is not too early to start making plans for the 19th Holy Land Pilgrimage. Your fund-raising programs can start now. Your minister selection process can start now.

Sir Knights, let us set a goal to send at least one Christian minister from every grand jurisdiction on the upcoming 19th Holy Land Pilgrimage. Your support of this great Christian Templar program is greatly appreciated.

Committee on Holy Land Pilgrimage

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## Letters from Holy Land Pilgrimage recipients

I wish to convey to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar and to the Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee my deep appreciation for being included in the 1995 Pilgrimage. The trip was well-panned, admirably constructed for the needs of the clergy, and adorned with amenities which greatly added to the experience!

May God bless you as you continue on your own personal pilgrimage of seeking and serving.

James E. Duke, Jr.  
Senior Pastor  
First United Methodist Church  
Warner Robins, GA 31099

I am left overwhelmed at the kindness you bestowed on me. I feel very honored and very humbled to have had the privilege of walking in the footsteps of Jesus.

I want you to know how grateful I am for what you have done. It has changed my life for the better.

I thought the trip was planned superbly well. The itinerary was great. The guide (Ezra) was fantastic. The accommodations were excellent. You have carefully thought through every part of the experience. The whole opportunity has left me deeply moved and with the desire to be an even more faithful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I want to say thank you and assure you that your investment in me will be shared a hundredfold in every way I can think of to tell the story of the faith and to share the experience with others.

Ron L. Keller,  
Pastor First United Methodist Church  
Battle Creek, MI 49017

Thanks to the Knights Templar. I appreciate them providing this opportunity that I might not otherwise have had. This trip is a tremendous gift to pastors, who sometimes feel overworked and under-appreciated in our society. The Knights Templar has done an excellent job in supporting and encouraging Christian pastors to proclaim evermore boldly the true Gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ to a hurting world. Thank you for that, and for this wonderful trip.

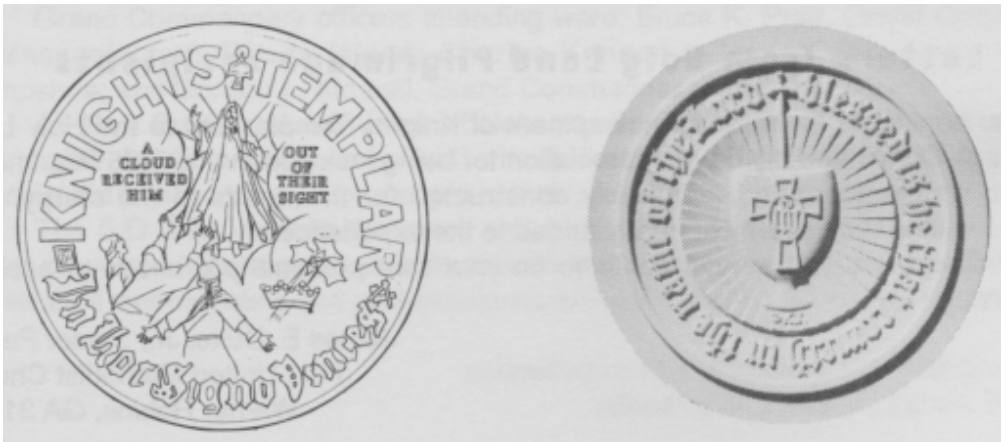
Reverend Gregory S. Walton,  
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### The 4th Holy Land Pilgrimage Medallion

The 4th Holy Land Pilgrimage Medallion is now available. It is a beautiful antique bronze medallion depicting the ascension of Christ, a scene that is familiar to every Knight Templar. 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 this money will be returned to the Holy Land Pilgrimage fund **In your grand Jurisdiction**. Both sides of the medallion are pictured below.

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





Sir Knights, Help Our Pilgrims  
by Sir Knight William H. Trotter, Sr., P.C.

Across the waters and across the land,  
There is a call for a helping hand  
To help a pilgrim, a man of God,  
To tread the land the Master trod.

Give some aid, even a widow's mite.  
'Tis a knightly duty, to give, it's right;  
To walk the paths of Peter and Paul,  
Helps one's soul to stand strong and tall.

Sir Knight—stop and think and give a pause;  
Render your gift for a noble cause.  
Make a vow, like the Templars of old.  
Help another, with coin, pence or gold,

To go, see and know the Holy Land,  
Where faith was given for Christian man.  
These pilgrims renewed in faith, that cord,  
With zeal anew, will teach of our Lord.

So goodly Sirs; Pledged to Cross and Crown!  
Send another to see Christ's hometown;  
To see the hills, the sky and the land,  
Beheld and known to the Son of Man.

An open heart and an open purse  
Will help someone who seeks, has that thirst  
To withstand life's turmoil and all strife  
And know his God, the Water of Life.

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# Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Tenth Crusade to the Holy Land

November 7-17, 1995

Rate: \$1,460 per person

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America is sponsoring a Crusade to the Holy Land. Your Grand Master and his Lady Dorella are looking forward to greeting Sir Knights and their ladies from the Grand Encampment who want to take part in this once-in-a-lifetime event.

The Ninth Crusade (1271-1272 A.D.) was the last Crusade under the leadership of Grand Master Thomas Berard and Prince Edward of England. In 1293 A.D. Jacques de Molay became the twenty-third and last Grand Master of the Medieval Knights Templar, being burned at the stake in Paris on March 8, 1314.

Our Tenth Crusade will be the first since the death of Grand Master Jacques de Molay in which a Grand Master and Knights of the Temple will visit the Holy Land, and walk where Jesus walked.

This Crusade will leave JFK Airport in New York on November 7, 1995, and return to New York on November 17, 1995. The cost for the entire trip will be \$1,460 per person. Watch your mail and see the following page of the *Knight Templar* magazine for full details and a registration form for the trip.

This will truly be a *once-in-a-lifetime* experience for all of us.

## **Tour Highlights:**

- Round-trip flight from NYC via El Al Israel Airlines
- First Class Hotels: 6 nights, Jerusalem; 2 nights, Galilee; 1 night, Tel Aviv
- Buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
- Arrival and departure transfers with assistance
- Seven full days of touring by deluxe motor-coach with licensed English-speaking guide
- All entrance fees and portorage
- Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee
- Folklore evening
- Departure taxes from U.S.A. and Israel

*Deposit of \$200 per person due July 15, 1995. Final payment due September 15, 1995.*

# Itinerary for Holy Land Pilgrimage

**Day 1: Tuesday, November 7** Meet at the El Al Terminal for your departure to Israel.

**Day 2: Wednesday, November 8** Arrive at Ben Gurion Airport, where you will be met and assisted by your tour representative and then transferred to your hotel in Jerusalem.

**Day 3: Thursday, November 9** Drive to the Mount of Olives for a panoramic view of the Eternal City. Visit the Chapel of the Ascension for the Pater Noster, The Lord's Prayer. Proceed to the Garden of Gethsemane, where Jesus was betrayed. Continue through the Kidron Valley to the Tomb of the Holy Virgin. Enter the Old City through St. Stephen's Gate, commemorating the place where the first Christian was stoned. Visit the church of St. Anne and the Pool of Bethesda. On to the Via Dolorosa, reaching the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Lunch in the Cardo. Along the Jewish Quarter to Mt. Zion. Visit the room of the Last Supper, the Tomb of David, and Caifas Palace, where Peter denied Jesus. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

**Day 4: Friday, November 10** Visit the scale model of the Old City. On to Yad Vashem, memorial to the six million Jewish martyrs. Visit the Shrine of the Book and see the Dead Sea Scrolls. Continue to Bethlehem. See the fields of Ruth and Boaz. Visit the Grotto of the Nativity and the manger where Mary placed Jesus. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

**Day 5: Saturday, November 11** Drive to the desert of Judah. Descend the mountain to 1,300 feet below sea level. Visit the Good Samaritan Inn. Continue to Massada, the last stronghold of the zealots in the war against the Romans. Have a chance to float in the Dead Sea- Continue to Ein Gedi and on to Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Return to Jerusalem.

**Day 6: Sunday, November 12** Free day in Jerusalem. Attend services at the church of your choice. Walk the streets and enjoy the

atmosphere. Dinner and overnight in Jerusalem.

**Day 7: Monday, November 13** Visit the Old City. See the Temple and mount the Dome of the Rock at El Aksa. Visit the Western Wall. Have Holy Communion in the Garden Tomb. Visit Ein Karem, the traditional birthplace of St. John the Baptist. After dinner enjoy a folklore evening. Overnight in Jerusalem.

**Day 8: Tuesday, November 14** Depart Jerusalem and drive to the city of Jericho, the oldest city in the world. Continue along the Jordan Valley to Beit Shean. Visit the excavations. Continue to Nazareth. Visit the Church of the Annunciation, Joseph's workshop, and Mary's well. On to Cana of Galilee, where Jesus performed his first miracle. Drive to Mount Tabor, traditional place of the transfiguration. Overnight in a kibbutz guest house.

**Day 9: Wednesday, November 15** Drive to the Mount of Beatitudes, traditional site of the Sermon on the Mount. We continue to Korazim to see the old town and synagogue. Continue to Capernaum, the center of Jesus' ministry in Galilee. Visit Tabga, the site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. Sail on the Sea of Galilee to Tiberias to enjoy St. Peter fish. In the afternoon we drive to Banias spring, known as Caesarea Philippi, and the Good Fence.

**Day 10: Thursday, November 16** Drive to the Jordan River. Visit Belvoir, a 12th century Crusader fortress. Visit Beit Alfa and see the mosaic of the old synagogue. Continue to Megiddo and see the Chariot City. On to Mount Carmel, where the prophet Elijah had the experience with the prophets of Baal. Stop at Caesarea on the Mediterranean Sea. Visit the theater and the aqueduct. Continue to Jaffa. Walk the Old City. Have dinner, rest, and depart to Ben Gurion Airport for your flight back home.

**Day 11: Friday, November 17** Early morning departure flight arriving the same morning at JFK.

## Registration Form for the Tenth Crusade

Please find enclosed my deposit check for \$200 (per person). Please make checks payable to: Knights Templar. Mail to:  
Grand Encampment of Knights Templar  
P. Fred Lesley, co-chair  
P.O. Box 498  
Battle Creek, MI 49016

Deposit due July 15, 1995  
Final payment due September 15, 1995.  
For more information, please call Fred Lesley at: (616) 965-0324

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Allied Masonic Degree Weekend-1995

by Sir Knight Morrison L. Cooke, P.D.C., K.C.T., P.S.M.

This report was prepared by remote control, thanks to Donald H. Smith, M.E.P.G.M., G.C.T., and Rodney Williams, Jr., R.E.P.G.C., K.C.T. It is a result of an untimely and unwelcome little bug, called "the flu," and proves the old saying: Man proposes - God disposes." Any errors are those of the reporter and not his suppliers, as it were.

Nevertheless, in spite of this adversity, the Annual A.M.D. meetings opened on time, promptly at 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 23, 1995, in the Washington Hotel, with the Supreme Magus College, SRICF, M.I. Joe Lewis, IX°, Chief Adept, presiding. North Carolina College conferred Grade V in an excellent manner.

Following this, the High Council, SRICF, was called to order by the Supreme Magus, M.W. Joe Lewis, IX°. After many years of faithful and efficient service, Frater Joe finally decided to relinquish the reins of the Council, and Frater James M. Willson, IX°, of Floydada, Texas, was elevated to the office of Supreme Magus for the next triennium. Jim is a Past Department Commander, and wears many hats in all branches of Masonry.

At the Annual Banquet of the Society, at which M.W. Joe Lewis presided, he caused the Secretary-General, R.W. Herbert A. Fisher, IX°, to be made an honorary Chief of the Ponca Indian Tribe, with the moniker of Flying Pink Pigeon, a most appropriate title. He was presented with a gorgeous, authentic Indian chief's headdress.

The speaker at the banquet, the Grand Abbot (?) of Queens Chapel, talked about student understanding of history. The Abbot was later exposed – oops! - revealed to be

the R.E. Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, among other titles, the Reverend Tom Weir. This, mercifully, concluded the first day's events.

Right on schedule Friday morning at 9:00 A.M. the Grand College of Rites was convened by M.I. Charles R. Neumann (R.E. Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment), Grand Chancellor. Joseph S. Lewis, OK, was elected Grand Chancellor, and Charles Stuckey, OK, was appointed Grand Sentinel.

Ven. S.M. Edward H. Fowler presided over Grand Master's Council "A", which followed. C. Clark Julius, PA, was elected Sovereign Master, and Joe Manning was appointed Tiler.

Great Chief's Council "O", Knight Masons, was then called to order by Excellent Chief, William G. Hinton.

Then, just before lunch the Grand Council, Knight Masons of the U.S.A., met with M.E. Jack Watts, Great Chief in the East. Due to the sorrowful passing of the Grand Scribe, R.E. Ray Scarborough, R.E. Douglas L. Jordon, VA, was elected to succeed him. A unanimous vote was necessary to change the Constitution so that members who are not Past Excellent Chiefs could be elected to administrative office. Doug will, of course, also be Scribe for Great Chief's Council. M.E. Evan L. Fleming, P.G.C., MS, and M.I.P.G.G.M., G.G.C. Cryptic Masons, was installed as the new Great Chief. Edwin R. Carpenter is the new Treasurer. Appointed as Grand Tiler was Van Evan, P.G.C., MS. Harvey Mize, P.G.C., AR, was appointed Excellent Chief of Great Chief's Council.

After lunch, Grand Preceptor's Tabernacle, HRAKTP, was opened by Em. Preceptor Rodney Williams, Jr., K.C.

K.P. Williams, as is the custom, was elected Preceptor for another year. Two candidates from other Tabernacles were obligated and anointed by P.G.P. Donald H. Smith, K.G.C.

Grand College, HRAKTP, was then called into session by M.E. Grand Preceptor, John H. Watts, K.G.C. K.P. Russell K. Amling, K.G.C., AZ and MN, was elected Grand Preceptor, and K.P. Norman Williams, Grand Registrar, which means he will also be Registrar for Grand Preceptor's Tabernacle. K.P. Robert McKinney, K.C., AZ, was appointed as Grand Outer Guard.

The Society of Blue Friars opened with M.I. Wallace McLeod, Grand Abbot, presiding. The new Friar is Chris Murphy, Canada, who presented an illustrated paper entitled, "Masonic Stamps of North America."

Later, the Annual Feast and Assembly of the Philaethes Society met with President Wallace McLeod at the head. The speaker was Robert Davis, 2nd V.P., and his paper was on "Change." Forest Haggard succeeded McLeod as President for the ensuing year.

The first of the fun degrees was the Order of the Bath, with Most Hon. Harold D. Elliott II, Commander General, presiding. Several candidates were properly bathed, scrubbed and hung out to dry in the usual manner. Thus endeth the second day of the A.M.D. Weekend.

Saturday morning witnessed the Annual Breakfast of Convent General, KYCH. M.E. Donald E. Friend, G.M.G., presided. Knight James M. Willson, TX, P.D.C., was installed as Grand Treasurer General, due to the unfortunate demise of Knight Clarence K. Jones, K.G.C., Past G.M.G. and Grand Treasurer. Knight Edward Bloch, NV, was installed as Grand Guard.

The 103rd Annual Communication of Grand Council, A.M.D., followed the KYCH breakfast, with M.V. S. Flory Diehl, S.G.M., in the chair. Diehl also presided at the annual banquet, and M.V. Wallace McLeod was the speaker, giving a most

informative lecture on Masonic language and symbolism that has become a part of our national language and culture.

M.V. James M. Ward, R.E.D.G.M., Grand Encampment, was elected and installed Sovereign Grand Master, and R.V. Charles R. Neumann, R.E. Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment, was appointed Grand Sentinel.

Following lunch earlier, Mecca Council No. 76, Salisbury, NC, exemplified the Architect and Grand Architect Degree. It was well received.

Ven. Bruce H. Hunt, K.G.C., P.S.G.M., and S.M. of Nine Muses Council No. 13, conducted the Annual Communication of the Council. As a result of the death of Clarence K. Jones, Dr. Forrest Haggard was appointed to the vacancy thus created.

Ven. James H. Home, S.M., again presided over Installed Masters Council for the umpteenth time.

All good things must come to an end, and the best was to end on a happy note with the Ye Antient Order of Corks, M.W. Thomas R. Hall, Grand Bung of the U.S.A., and R.W. Herbert A. Fisher, Grand Quatro, doing the "Corking" in their inimitable manner. Thus endeth the third and final day of the 1995 A.M.D. Weekend. The 1996 meetings will again be held in the Hotel Washington, on February 15-17, 1996.

Sr Knight Morrison L. Cooke is a Past East Central Department Commander, P.G.C. of Kentucky, and a member of Louisville-Deay Commandery No. 12, Louisville, Kentucky. He resides at 2538 Saratoga Drive, Louisville, KY 40205



## In Memoriam



James Melvin Gardner  
Maryland  
Grand Commander-1975  
Born April 2, 1922  
Died March 16, 1994

Marion LeRoy Miller  
Iowa  
Grand Commander-1961  
Born July 14, 1907  
Died January 26, 1995

Melvin Ellsworth Downing  
New Hampshire  
Grand Commander-1976  
Born February 2, 1908  
Died March 5, 1995

Ernest Edwards  
Tennessee  
Grand Commander-1977  
Born July 2, 1913  
Died March 19, 1995

Harold Daniel Elliott II  
New Jersey  
Grand Commander-1988  
Born February 21, 1934  
Died March 30, 1995

Knights Templar Eye Foundation,  
Inc. New Club Memberships

### Grand Commander's Club

No. 100,271-John M. Lewis (PA)  
No. 100,272-Dr. Douglas D. Smith (TN)  
No. 100,273-Johnnie Ray Redwine (TN)  
No. 100,274-Robert Newton Ivy (GA)  
No. 100,275-James Harold Goss (AL)  
No. 100,276-Rodney J. Van Houten (VA)  
No. 100,277-Charles Lonnie Thames (TN)  
No. 100,278-Fred K. Tanner (MN)  
No. 100,279-Paul E. Hockett (FL)  
No. 100,280-Arnold R. Kramer (FL)  
No. 100,281-Robert Herrault (FL)

### Grand Master's Club

No. 2,364-James A. Provins (PA)  
No. 2,365-E. Freeman Millard (FL)  
No. 2,366-Fred J. Weaver, Jr. (OH)  
No. 2,367-William S. Adams (PA)  
No. 2,368-Herman J. Paradies (FL)  
No. 2,369-Charles A. Travinek (CO)  
No. 2,370-Edward Joseph Welsh, Jr. (AZ)  
No. 2,371-in honor of Opal B. Gore (MS) by T.  
Olin Gore, Jr.  
No. 2,372-Stanley C. Buz (PA)  
No. 2373-Stanley C. Buz (PA)  
No. 2374-Stanley C. Buz (PA)  
No. 2,375-Edwin B. Allan (CT)  
No. 2,376-Wilson C. Moulton (CO)  
No. 2,377-Allan Donald Davis (TN)  
No. 2378-James W. Maddox (GA)  
No. 2,379-Wayne C. Smith, Jr. (SC)  
No. 2,380-Virgil P. Brown, Jr. (FL)

How to join: Any individual may said a died' in the amount of \$100 or more specified for the purse of beginning a Grand Commander's Club membership and made payable to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This initial contribution of \$100 or more 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 Masters Club And Grand Commander's Club Pins

Grand Master Mayford is pleased to announce that, for all who became members of the Grand Masters 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.

### Life Sponsorship Pins Available

This very attractive pin in the shape of a shield is available for a donation of \$7.00 each or \$5.00 each in lots of twenty. Show your Commandery members that you are a Life Sponsor of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation by ordering yours today. Pins are available to any Knight Templar who already has purchased a Life Sponsorship or who intends to do so. Contact: Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, IL 62705, (217) 523-3838.

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc  
Twenty-seventh Voluntary Campaign

Campaign report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending April 7, 1995. The total amount contributed to date is \$549,325.14.

Alabama .....	\$15,670.21
Arizona .....	6688.63
Arkansas .....	2,821.00
California.....	22,268.74
Colorado .....	11,218.33
Connecticut .....	12,046.25
Delaware.....	1,883.10
District of Columbia.....	1,392.00
Florida .....	15,727.50
Georgia .....	43,991.48
Idaho .....	3,407.69
Illinois .....	19,310.33
Indiana.....	30,996.49
Iowa.....	6,305.53
Kansas .....	7,793.77
Kentucky .....	10,232.47
Louisiana .....	5,379.40
Maine.....	3,369.25

Maryland .....	6,590.00
Mass./R.1 .....	13,330.00
Michigan.....	13,885.46
Minnesota.....	3,812.50
Mississippi.....	3,177.00
Missouri.....	4,277.48
Montana .....	6,687.98
Nebraska.....	851.75
Nevada.....	2,206.00
New Hampshire .....	4,969.68
New Jersey.....	9,286.60
New Mexico.....	7,263.83
New York.....	6,994.15
North Carolina.....	14,080.00
North Dakota .....	455.00
Ohio .....	18,836.60
Oklahoma.....	2,794.65
Oregon.....	12,818.45
Pennsylvania .....	54,103.98
South Carolina .....	13,716.50
South Dakota.....	1,837.00
Tennessee.....	12,417.76
Texas .....	20,522.00
Utah .....	9,395.83
Vermont .....	780.00
Virginia .....	15,395.00
Washington .....	4,063.64
West Virginia .....	10,927.00
Wisconsin.....	6,162.00
Wyoming.....	4,689.20
Honolulu No. 1 .....	440.00
Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks.....	1,100.00
Porto Rico No. 1 .....	750.00
Ivanhoe No. 2, Mexico.....	190.00
Heidelberg No. 2, Germany .....	1,500.00
Solo Di Aruba No. 1 .....	1,400.00
Miscellaneous.....	37,115.93

## 100% Life Sponsorship Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Huntsville Commandery No. 7  
Huntsville, AL

Cyrene Commandery No. 10  
Birmingham, AL

De Molay Commandery No. 14  
Decatur AL

St. John's Commandery No. 21  
Centerville, IA

## History of the Grand Encampment

### Chapter XXIII Biographies Of The Grand Masters (continued)

Andrew Davison Agnew  
Thirty-first Grand Master  
1934-1937  
(continued)

In 1922 he was appointed Grand Warder of the Grand Encampment and was elected Grand Generalissimo in 1931. On the death of Grand Master Walker in 1932, he became acting Grand Master. At the Conclave held in San Francisco in 1934 he was elected Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. He was the Representative of the Great Priory of Helvetia (Switzerland) near the Grand Encampment of the United States.

Sir Knight Agnew was dignified in appearance and impressive, not only in his public addresses, but also in his personal contacts. He was able in his discussions and decisions, and was highly respected by all who had worked with him in community and fraternal affairs.

Mark Norris  
Thirty-Second Grand Master  
1937-1940

Mark Norris was born at Ypsilanti, Michigan, on July 28, 1857. He received his education in the public schools of Ypsilanti and the military school of DeVaux College at Suspension Bridge, New York. He entered the University of Michigan in 1875 and graduated with the degree of Ph.D. in 1879. After studying law for a year in his fathers office, he entered the Law School of the University of Michigan and graduated in 1882 with the degree of LL.B.



MARK NORRIS  
Thirty-second Grand Master, 1937-1940

In April, 1882, he was admitted to the Bar in Michigan and began practice at Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he resided the rest of his life. He engaged in general law practice, and built up an extensive business, finally establishing the firm of Norris, McPherson, Harrington and Waer. He was Past President of the Grand Rapids Bar Association and the State Bar of Michigan.

He was active in all civic affairs. He was a school trustee and a member of the City Board of Education of Grand Rapids from 1906 to 1921.



On September 3, 1885, he married Cornelia Abbott, who was Supervisor of Art in the public schools. She died in 1913. Two daughters and a son were born to them.

He was the founder of the Masonic Country Club and an early member of the Kent Country Club and the Peninsular Club. He travelled widely both for his own pleasure and in the interests of the Knights Templar, visiting Malta, Istanbul, and the Holy Land, as well as England, France, Germany and Hawaii.

Shortly before he was to preside at the Grand Encampment in 1940 he became ill and was unable to attend. However, he recovered and was able to resume his legal and fraternal activities to some extent, until his death which occurred on May 31, 1943.

The funeral was conducted in the Asylum of Do Molai Commandery at the Masonic Temple in Grand Rapids, and was attended by many of the officers of the Grand Encampment. Burial was in the family lot at Ypsilanti.

Sir Knight Norris was raised in York Lodge No. 410 on January 19, 1900, and was Master of the Lodge in 1904.

On February 13, 1902, he was exalted in Columbia Chapter No. 132 and greeted in Tyre Council No. 10 in 1905.

In the Scottish Rite he received the 32<sup>nd</sup> in December, 1900, and was crowned 330 Honorary at Boston on September 17, 1907. He was Commander-in-Chief of DeWitt Clinton Consistory at Grand Rapids from 1915 to 1918, and Thrice Potent Master of Moriah Lodge of Perfection from 1925 to 1927.

He was a Past Sovereign of St. Vincent's Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. For a time he was Trustee of the Michigan Masonic Home at Alona. He was also a Past President of the Masonic Temple Association.

He was knighted in De Molai Commandery No. 5 at Grand Rapids on December 5, 1902, and was Eminent

Commander in 1907. In 1917, he was elected Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Michigan.

At the Triennial Conclave of 1923 he was appointed Grand Standard Bearer and in 1937 was elected Grand Master.

Sir Knight Norris was a loyal citizen, a devoted friend, a lover of nature, a brilliant lawyer and an outstanding Mason. He was held in universal esteem and his passing left a lonely place in Templary. He was proud of his membership in the Order of the Temple and in his address stated:

Every organization such as ours should be known in the community where it exists, as a focus for work, for Christianity and civilization, not only among its members, but among the members of the community where it exists."

Harry Gilmore Pollard  
Thirty-Third Grand Master  
1940-1943

Harry G. Pollard was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, on February 19, 1875, and lived in that city all his life. He received his education there and in 1892 assumed the responsibilities of President of the A. G. Pollard Company.

On April 29, 1903, he married Miss Leah Parchert of Buffalo, New York, and two sons were born to them.

Sir Knight Pollard was made a Master Mason in Ancient York Lodge of Lowell on June 11, 1896, and was Worshipful Master in 1907. He served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in 1912 and 1913, and Deputy Grand Master in 1920.

He was exalted in Mount Horeb Chapter in Lowell on February 15, 1897, and was High Priest in 1918. He was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts in 1925 and was Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter in 1930.

# I'll Ham It Up... As I Egg You On!

## 27th Annual Voluntary Campaign .Knights Templar Eye Foundation

by Sir Knight Donald H. Smith, Past Grand Master  
National Campaign Chairman, 27th Voluntary Campaign



The 27th Annual Voluntary Campaign for our Eye Foundation is over, and all that is needed is to count the donations that come in late to arrive at our total gift to those who need our help. We pray that the amount donated will exceed that of our last campaign.

During this campaign we have tried to stress the fact that all Commanderies should contribute by having an event to raise money through contributions from the local populace, those who are not affiliated with our order.



On March 18, I had the pleasure of attending such an event in Lexington, Kentucky. It was the 23rd Annual Ham and Egg Breakfast conducted by Webb Commandery No. 1 of Kentucky. It was held in Oleika Shrine Temple and was open from 6:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. A large crowd was present enjoying the country ham, scrambled eggs, biscuits, red-eye gravy, and grits that were being served by a happy group of Templars, who enjoyed the opportunity to work together on this important project for the less fortunate. I am certain that every Sir Knight would gain a great deal of personal satisfaction from being a part of such an event. It takes a bit of work to gain a bit of joy.

Webb Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, was chartered on January 1, 1820, and they are celebrating the 175th anniversary of their chartering by our first Grand Master, Sir Knight DeWitt Clinton.

Your Commandery does not have to be 175 years old to plan a special event to raise funds for our great charity; it just needs a Christian Spirit of love with the faith that it can be done. The 28th Voluntary Campaign will begin on December 1, 1995; you have plenty of time to plan and execute a fund-raising event.

Sir Knight Donald Hinslea Smith, Most Eminent Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment and P.G.C. of Kentucky, is the National Voluntary Campaign Chairman for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Voluntary Campaign. He is a member of Richmond Commandery No. 19, Richmond, Kentucky. He resides at 1041 Idylwild Drive, Richmond, KY 40475

## Newsfront...

### "There Is Good In People and in the World"

Year-old Tori Klinkert doesn't understand that Royal Arch Masons of Tacoma, Washington, and Charleston, South Carolina, rallied to her support when a rare heart defect left her heart unable to beat normally, but her parents do, and that is why her mother Heather Klinkert is saying, "It restored our faith that there is good in people and in the world."

According to Ronald N. Dingle, KTCH holder and member of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4, Tacoma, the Klinkerts didn't have the money to fly their sick baby to Dr. Paul Gillette of the Medical University of South Carolina, which pediatric cardiologist John McCloskey had determined was the best doctor for her treatment. The Royal Arch Masons of the Tacoma area donated \$4,370 in airfare to aid the Klinkerts. That, along with an airline subsidy, did the trick, and the baby is now healthy and happy at home.

Lloyd Christopher, Deputy Grand High Priest of South Carolina, and his wife met the couple at the airport and were their guide to and from the hospital, as well as inviting them for dinner.

Sir Knight Dingle stated that the Royal Arch Masons help an average of twelve children a year. He also said, "As an individual, I couldn't do anything, but as a representative of this group, I'm able to, and it's a big thrill."

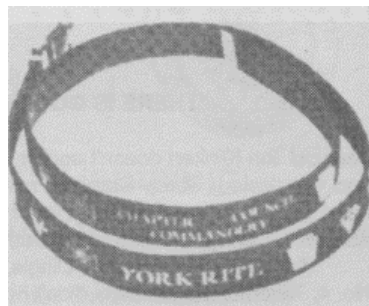
### S.O.O.B. Installation Honored by Presence of Three Grand Commanders

On January 25, 1995, the Manchester, New Hampshire Assembly No. 93 was honored to have at its installation of officers three presiding R.E. Grand Commanders. The newly installed Worthy President, Mrs. Roger L. Tellier, was pleased to introduce Sir Knights Charles Kennedy, Grand Commander of New Hampshire; Bruce Pratt, Grand Commander of Massachusetts/Rhode Island; and Gordon Kimball, Grand Commander of Maine, as well as a large number of visiting Past Grand Commanders, Past Commanders, and members of Trinity Commandery No. 1, Manchester.



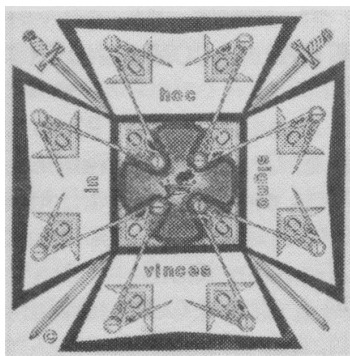
## New Hampshire York Rite Or Freemason Belts Available

New Hampshire York Rite and Freemason belts are available again, and the Grand Commandery solicits your orders for these as a fine method of proclaiming that you are proud to belong to our great Fraternity. The York Rite belt is on black military web with a ribbon sewed to the belt that has various emblems and names of the York Rite in silver, gold, and red, repeated several times. The Freemason belt is on navy blue with a blue ribbon and the working tools and "Freemason" in gold and silver and brown thread, also repeated. A brass plated buckle completes the belt. The picture shows the York Rite belt. The cost is still \$12.00, postpaid, in U.S. funds. Quantities can be shipped if



desired. The length is 51 inches, and it may be shortened if you wish. All profits go to the York Rite charities and the M.S.A. from the Freemason belts. Over \$5,000 has been donated so far from the sale of these belts. Send orders to: Frederick H. Heuss, P.G.C.; 6 Vernon Avenue; Rochester; NH 03867-2034.

## Knights Templar Pin Supports Holy Land Pilgrimage



Damascus Commandery No. 1 of St. Paul, Minnesota, has a limited number of specially designed Knight Templar pins which were designed by Sir Knight Alvin Bohne as a contribution to support the Holy Land Pilgrimage fund. Damascus Commandery has the unique honor in Minnesota to have sponsored a minister to the Holy Land for the last three consecutive years. The pins are full color on white background and measure 1/4" in diameter. The emblem on the pin consists of a cross in a crown in the center, surrounded by a red cross within a Maltese cross. The emblem includes twelve Masonic squares and compasses. It sells for \$2.50, including postage. Order from Damascus Commandery No. 1, 200 East Plato Boulevard, St. Paul, Minnesota 55107.

## "Here Comes Doctor Ward"

A long overdue biography of one of Iowa's best known and most esteemed surgeons, Donova F. Ward, M.D., of Dubuque, has just been published. Titled *Here Comes Doctor Ward: A Climb to Glory*, the book tells the fascinating life history of the 119th President of the American Medical Association and active Masonic leader in Iowa since 1926. Doctor Ward's long-time friend, Howard E. Cartwright of Northfield, IL, is the biographer, and the publisher is Chicago Spectrum Press of Evanston, IL. The book may be purchased by calling 1-800 (594)-5190 or may be ordered through a local book store.

1994-1997  
Department Commanders  
Of The Grand Encampment



John O. Bond, Sr.

Right Eminent

Department Commander (1994-1997)

Northeastern Department

John O. Bond was born in Eliot, Maine, on March 27, 1937, the son of A. Richard and Virginia Fernald Bond. He graduated from Eliot High School in 1955 and served in the U.S. Navy aboard the submarine *U.S.S. Tusk*. In 1964 he graduated from the Apprentice Ship-fitter Program and in 1969 he graduated from the Apprentice Engineering Technician Naval Architectural Program; both at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard where he was employed for thirty-two years and eight months before retiring in 1991 as a Naval Architect Technician.

On May 27, 1966, he married Carol Lilly of South Berwick, Maine. Between them their four children are: John Oscar, Jr., of York, Maine; Cheryl L. Dozier of Poughkeepsie, New York; Ann M. Veino

of Eliot, Maine; and James Brian of Colorado Springs, Colorado. They are the proud grandparents of three granddaughters and five grandsons. The Bonds are members of the First Parish Federated Church in South Berwick.

Sir Knight Bond was Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in St. John's Lodge No. 51, F. & A.M., in South Berwick on May 20, 1968. He was named architect of their new building in 1971 and was the first Master installed in the new building in January 1973. He is a past trustee of St. John's Lodge and a past vice-president of the South Berwick Temple Association.

He was Exalted in Unity Royal Arch Chapter No. 32 in South Berwick on April 8, 1969, High Priest in 1974 and 1975; appointed Grand Captain of the Host of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine in 1974; Grand Representative to Maryland from Maine; Past President of Maine Council, Order of High Priesthood (1986-87); served as District Deputy Grand High Priest from 1990 to 1993, Grand King in 1993.

Sir Knight Bond was Greeted in Maine Council No. 7, Royal & Select Masters, in Saco on November 22, 1969; Illustrious Master in 1978; and a member of Thrice Illustrious Masters.

He was Knighted in St. Amand Commandery No. 20, December 1969 in West Kennebunk, Commander, 1976, Recorder/Treasurer for several years and has continued as Treasurer; Past President of the Past Commanders of Maine, 1979; elected Grand Junior

Warden in 1980 at Rockport; Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of Maine, 1985; President of the Past Grand Commanders Association of Maine, 1989; Maine Coordinator for the Grand Encampment Committee on Easter Sunrise Services, 1991-1994; Knight Commander of the Temple, 1992; member of Kora Temple, AAONMS, Lewiston, Maine; York County Shrine Club and Blue Lodge Degree Team; Past Sovereign of Maine Conclave No. 1, Red Cross of Constantine, 1986; and presently an officer in the Grand Imperial Council Red Cross of Constantine of Maine; member of the Lodge, Council, Chapter, and Consistory of the A.A.S.R., Valley of Portland, 1975; Master of Yates Lodge of Perfection, 1989-90; member of Pioneer Scottish Rite Club of Springvale-Sanford, president in 1989; and honorary member of the Supreme Council, 33<sup>1</sup>, A.A.S.R. of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, Milwaukee, October 1995.

Other Masonic Affiliations: member of Past Officers Association, 1978; Knights York Cross of Honour, Pine Tree Priory No. 65, 1979; Dingo York Rite College; Knight Masons, Pine Cone Council No. 31 of Maine, Ex. Chief; Royal Order of Scotland; Oxford Lodge No. 1, Ark Mariners; Maine Lodge of Research; Cross and Crown Tabernacle No. LIII, Past Preceptor, HRAKTP, 1991; Charter Preceptor, Maine Chapter Knights Preceptor, 1987-89; Past Secretary of DeMolay and Pine Tree Youth Foundation; Allied Masonic Degrees; Order of the Secret Monitor; honorary member of the Grand Commanderies of New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Vermont; officer of Forty-fivers, Assoc. of Past G.C.K.T.; member of Veteran Freemasons of New Hampshire; Philaethes Society; Grand College of Rites of the U.S.A.; Sarah Orne Jewett No. 176, O.E.S.; Past Advisory board member of Berwick Assembly No. 34, Rainbow for Girls.



**David Lee Hargett, Jr.**  
**Right Eminent**  
**Department Commander (1994-1997)**  
**Southeastern Department**

David Lee Hargett was born June 23, 1939, in Monroe, Union County, North Carolina, to Helen Williams Hargett and David Lee Hargett, Sr.

He is married to Robin Thames Hargett and they have four children: one daughter, Donna, and three Sons; Joe, Jeff and Isaiah. They are members of First Baptist of Charlotte, North Carolina. David is self-employed working with residential housing.

His affiliations with Blue Lodge are Monroe Lodge No. 244, Past Master; Truth Lodge No. 749, Past Master, charter member, life member; Waxhaw Lodge No. 562, honorary member; Past District Deputy Grand Master, 39th District; member of Long-Range Planning Committee of Oxford Orphanage and the Committee on Masonic Ceremonies and

miscellaneous publications for the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of North Carolina.

His Chapter affiliations are: Monroe Chapter No. 64, R.A.M., Past High Priest, life member, Order of High Priesthood. Council: Solomon of the Silver Trowel No. 24, R. & S.M., Past Illustrious Master, life member; Roanoke No. 1, R. & S.M.; Lenoir No. 38, R. & S.M., and Thrice Illustrious Masters Council in North Carolina.

He is a Past Commander and life member of Malta Commandery No. 19; Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of North Carolina; Grand Master's Club, K.T. Eye Foundation; Southern Breakfast Association, president, 1992-94; Committee on Charters and Dispensations for the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A., 1992-94; Knight Crusader of the Cross; and Knight Commander of the Temple.

Masonic affiliations include Knight York Grand Cross of Honour; Lily of the Valley Priory No. 1, Prior, 1990-91; York Rite College - charter member of Western Carolina York Rite College No. 78, Past Governor; York Rite Colleges in North Carolina, Past Grand Governor; Grand Standard Bearer and Trustee of the Charitable Fund, York Rite Sovereign College of North America; President of the Associate Regents Council of the York Rite Sovereign College, 1993-94; Order of the Purple Cross. Other: Knight Masons - St. Patricks in America Council No. 1, Past Excellent Chief; Allied Masonic Degrees - Grand Senior Deacon; Red Branch of En; St. Andrews in America Council No. 1, Past Sovereign Master; J. Ray Shute Council No. 184; Anson Council No. 202; Gafney Council No. 262; Pelham Council No. 263; St. Andrews in America No. 1a, Royal Ark Mariners Lodge, Past Master; Oxford Lodge No. 1, Royal Ark Mariners; Masonic Order of the Bath; Ye Ancient

Order of the Cork; Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Charlotte; the Royal Order of Scotland; Oasis Temple, AAONMS, Charlotte; Past Masters Unit; Union County Shrine Club; Hillbilly Clan No. 2; Hillbilly Clan No. 13; the Grand College of Rites; the Philalethes Society; St. Titus Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; North Carolina College S.R.I.C.F., VIII Degree; Holy Sepulcher Tabernacle, HRAKTP; Quator Coronati Lodge of Research; South Carolina Lodge of Research; Forty-Fivers Association of Past Grand Commanders; Order of the Eastern Star, Monroe Chapter No. 113, Past Patron; honorary member of the York Rite Grand Bodies of Alabama, Florida, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

He was appointed Southeastern Department Commander in August 1994 by Most Eminent Grand Master Blair C. Mayford.



Russell P. Livermore, Jr.  
Right Eminent

Department Commander (1994-1997)  
East Central Department

Russell P. Livermore, Jr., was born April 21, 1938, in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan.

He attended public school on the east side of Detroit and graduated from Detroit Southeastern High School in 1956. While attending Detroit Institute of Technology he enlisted in the U.S. Coast Guard and served on active duty and retired from the reserves after twenty-six years of service. His working career included twenty-six years in the hard chrome plating industry, serving as president of Livermore Hard Chrome Company. He also spent a year and a half as a system analyst in the manufactured housing industry, two and a half years as the Executive Secretary of the DeMolay Foundation of Michigan, and five and a half years with the Valley of Detroit, Scottish Rite bodies, and is presently employed by Variety Foods, Inc., of Warren, Michigan, as the Michigan District Sales Supervisor for the Pic-A-Nut Division.

He and his wife are active members of Mariner's Church of Detroit, where he has served as an Epistoler and a Lector. He married Mary Louise on January 9, 1960, and they have been residents of Grosse Pointe Woods for twenty-nine years. They have five children: Russell III, Marie Louise, Robert, Patricia, and Christine and also one granddaughter, Chene-Marie.

Sir Knight Livermore was Knighted in Detroit Commandery No. 1 in 1971, serving as its Commander in 1986. He served the Grand Commandery of Michigan as its Grand Commander in 1991-1992. Sir Knight Livermore served the Grand Encampment as a member of the Public Relations Committee. In 1992 he was created a Knight Commander of the Temple.

Sir Knight Livermore was Raised a Master Mason in Ashlar Lodge No. 91, June 1963, and is also a member of: King Cyrus Chapter No. 133, R. & A.M. and served as its High Priest; Monroe Council No. 1, R. & S.M.; Detroit York Rite College No. 1, served as Governor; was elected

an Associate Regent of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America in 1979; St. Clement Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine; Ionic Council No. 251, A.M.D.; Gate of the Tabernacle No. LXV, HRAKTP; Royal Order of Scotland; Royal Ark Mariners Council; International Lodge No. 4, Windsor, Ont.; Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Detroit, Coroneted a 33<sup>o</sup> in Cleveland, Ohio 1994; Moslem Temple Shrine, AAONMS; Daniel Boone Chapter, National Sojourners; Detroit/Ruth Court No. 3, Order of the Amaranth, serving twice as its Royal Patron; Acanthus Chapter, O.E.S., and honorary Legion of Honor, Order of DeMolay.

He was appointed R.E. East Central Department Commander in August 1994 by Most Eminent Grand Master Blair C. Mayford.



Jerry K. Thomas  
Right Eminent Department  
Commander (1994-1997)  
North Central Department

Jerry K. Thomas was born November 7, 1925 near Turton, South Dakota, the second son, to Howard and Anna Thomas.



He attended grammar school in Benton Township and graduated from high school at Condo, South Dakota, in 1942. He attended the University of Minnesota, majoring in Civil Engineering, from 1942 to 1944, at which time he volunteered for service in the U.S. Navy. During his Navy duty he became an electronics technician and served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater on the *U.S.S. Fred T Berry*, a destroyer in the U.S. Seventh Fleet.

Following his discharge in 1946, he returned to the University of Minnesota in January 1947, joining the Masonic Fraternity in the spring of 1947. He graduated with distinction as a Civil Engineer in June of 1948. He married Beverly Dickinson of Aberdeen on May 17, 1947. In 1948 they moved to Rapid City, South Dakota, and have resided there since that time. They are the parents of two grown children: son David A. Thomas, who resides in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and daughter Linda J. Scharrel, who resides in Denver, Colorado. The Thomases are members of the First United Methodist Church of Rapid City, where he has served terms on the Finance Commission and on the Board of Trustees with two years as chairman.

Upon graduation in 1948, he accepted employment with a consulting engineering firm in Rapid City culminating as vice president from 1961 to 1965. In 1965 he founded his own firm of civil engineering consultants; incorporated in 1973 and operated under the name of Thomas & Associates Consulting Engineers. In 1991 he merged the firm with Clark Engineering Corporation, where he served as Project Development Engineer from 1991 to 1994 and is currently on consultant status with that firm. He was formerly listed in Marquis "Who's Who in the Midwest" and in the Engineers Joint Council Who's Who in Engineering."

He was Raised a Master Mason in Conde Lodge No. 134 at Conde, South Dakota, on June 23, 1947; plural member of Rapid City Lodge No. 25, 1968, Worshipful Master, 1973-74 and life membership in perpetuity, 1990; Grand Lodge of South Dakota, Senior Grand Deacon, 1974-75; District Master, District No. 23, 1978-79 and 1979-80; member of the Grand Lodge Youth Committee and Grand Lodge Finance Committee, Chairman for Grand Lodge Annual Communications, 1979, 1984 and 1988; Grand Lodge Life Membership Committee; Grand Lodge Board of Trustees, 1984-1993; Masonic Veterans Association since 1969, serving as President, 1990-91; Grand Representative to the state of Minnesota.

He was Exalted in Black Hills Chapter No. 25, Royal Arch Masons, Rapid City, South Dakota, November 18, 1949; served as High Priest, 1955-56; appointed Grand Master of the Second Veil, 1956; Grand Chapter offices, Grand High Priest in 1962-63; Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter, 1988-1993; member of Life Membership Committee; Grand Representative to the state of Utah.

Received the Cryptic Degrees in Black Hills Council No. 3 of Cryptic Masons at Lead, South Dakota, 1952; Illustrious Master, 1983-84; Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of South Dakota, 1985-86; Grand Recorder of the Grand Council for 1988-1993; Life Membership Committee; Grand Council Ish Sodi Award, 1970 and again in 1982; Cryptic Mason of the Year Award, 1979; Grand Representative to the State of New Hampshire.

He was Knighted in Schrader Commandery No. 9, Rapid City, South Dakota, 1955; Eminent Commander, 1966-67; Grand Standard Bearer, 1969-70; Grand Junior Warden, 1971;

Grand Commander in 1976--77; Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee; Life Membership Committee. He was a member of the Grand Encampment DeMolay Committee for the 1982-85 Triennial; Chairman of the Grand Encampment Committee on Public Relations; 1985-88 and 1988-1991 Triennials; Grand Representative to the state of Wisconsin.

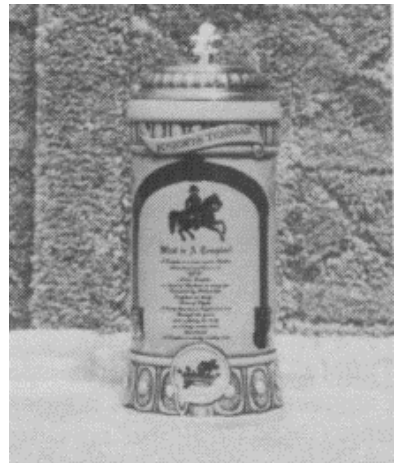
Member of the Holy Order of High Priesthood of South Dakota, 1955; Most Excellent President, 1965-66; Order of Anointed Kings, Order of Thrice illustrious Masters of South Dakota, 1983; Thrice Illustrious Master in 1989-90; member of the Ashlar High Twelve Club of Rapid City; President, 1958-59. Member of Black Hills York Rite College No. 29, Governor, 1984-85; Black Hills Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine, 1964; Illustrious Sovereign, 1970. Currently the Intendant

General of the Division of South Dakota since 1992; Royal Order of Scotland, 1978; Knights of the York Cross of Honour; Initiated in South Dakota Priory No. 59, 1984, currently Prior of this Priory, 1994-95; Gloria Dei Tabernacle of the HRAKTP, 1987, Eminent Preceptor, 1990-91. Noble of Naja Temple, AAONMS, 1967; Rapid City Shrine Club Greeters, Air Patrol and Legion of Honor units; Royal Order of Jesters, 1978; Deadwood Court No. 153; Advisory Council of Minnelusa Chapter of the Order of DeMolay, 1955-1988, served as a chairman; Honorary Member DeMolay Legion of Honor, 1963. Board of Trustees of the SD DeMolay Assoc. Board of Trustees, Rapid City Masonic Building Assoc., Pres., 1970-1994; Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 1975.

He was appointed R.E. North Central Department Commander in August 1994 by Most Eminent Grand Master Blair C. Mayford.

## Knights Templar Stein To Benefit Knights Templar Eye Foundation

**Good news for Knights Templar Brothers!** I just located 405 stein bodies to finish off the first limited edition of the Masonic Knights Templar steins to 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 26-oz. with custom-made blue and brown body, a bell-shaped lid and shield thumb-lift, and each includes ten pieces of artwork on the body. Each is hand painted in 22c gold and platinum and fired for seven days. Then, two other colors (black and brown) are added to make up the beautiful four-color effect of this Masonic stein. Each stein is numbered for this limited edition; this series contains one thousand pieces total from the previous sales of 1993 and these 405 pieces. The cost of the stein is \$45.00, which includes shipping and handling, and of this amount \$10.00 goes to the Eye Foundation. Each contains a certificate of authenticity. It will make a great gift for a Sir Knight for any occasion. (The stein for sale is very much like the one in the picture; however, the lid is different and the body is bigger.) To order, please send check or money order to: Stanley C. Buz, P.O. Box 702, Whitehall, PA 18052. Shipment will be in approximately 4 weeks after receipt of order.



# The Mason Who Saved The American Constitution

by Dr. Stephen R. Greenberg, KYCH, 33<sup>0</sup>

It is quite impossible to understand human genius." These words of Henry Adams might well serve as a fitting prelude to an essay describing the remarkable achievements of our esteemed Masonic Brother, Benjamin Franklin. His contributions to the growth of America, within and without, are legend. His insight into the relationship between electricity and lightning paved the way for much of our present comprehension of the physics of electric current. His inventive brilliance produced the Franklin stove, bifocal glasses, and ventilation systems. He organized the first municipal fire department, the first free public library, and the lighting and paving of city streets. He was a writer and publisher of newspapers, as well as a collector and lover of books. Abroad, Franklin proved to be America's ablest diplomat. His love for education lead him to found the University of Pennsylvania and to stimulate public education. He organized the first U.S. Postal Service and was our country's first Postmaster General. Indeed, no one in these United States contributed more toward the improvement of the American lifestyle.

Great as such accomplishments might seem, they pale in the shadow of Franklin's energy in the formation of American government. It may be truly said that he saved the *Constitution* for all time to come.

In September of 1786, a meeting of delegates to the forthcoming Constitutional Convention was held to decide

where the assembly would take place. This preliminary session was styled as "The Annapolis Convention." It was agreed that the proceeding would begin in Philadelphia on the second Monday in May of the following year. The announced goal was "to devise such further provisions as shall appear to them necessary to render the *Constitution* of the Federal Government adequate to the exigencies of the union."

On February 17, 1787, Congress resolved, "that it is expedient that a convention of delegates be held in Philadelphia for the sole and express purpose of revising the *Articles of Confederation*." It was this convention which gave rise to our present *Constitution*.

Dr. Franklin only two years before had returned from abroad after serving in Paris as America's first ambassador to the Court of France. Though failing in health, his strong desire was to spend his last days in his city of Philadelphia surrounded by his beloved family, his friends, and his books. Nevertheless, at the age of eighty-one years and nearing the end of his life, he was again called into the service of his country, this time as a delegate from Pennsylvania to the Constitutional Convention.

Thus it was that in the spring of 1787 Benjamin Franklin came to the convention as a citizen, believing fully that he might yet serve the people among whom he had returned to live. He was now aged and infirm, but his mind was yet clear and he possessed a vast fund of

experience that would serve the convention well.

It was necessary for him to be carried into the session on a chair; his voice was failing and many of his remarks to his fellows were brief and were often read out by his friend James Wilson. The convention opened in the East Room of the Pennsylvania State House, the same room where the Second Continental Congress had met in May of 1775 and where the *Declaration of Independence* had been signed.

It was not, however, until the twenty-fifth of May that a quorum of the seven states needed evolved. During this intervening period, delegates were arriving from twelve states. The state of Rhode Island was not represented because its farming population feared that centralized government would remove its privileges.

With the exception of the first day, two days over the Independence holiday, and the days from July 26 to August 6, the time when the committee overseeing the details for the final document was in session; Franklin sat through all of the proceedings of this long and unbearably hot summer.

Interesting enough, Dr. Franklin sat through the sessions, as Benjamin Rush reflected, "as a spectacle of transcendence." In truth, Benjamin Franklin contributed mostly to the events which were transpiring in the role of a patriarch.

His absence on the opening day prevented him from proposing George Washington as the president of the convention, though other members of the Pennsylvania delegation did so. From his initial appearance, it was established that Dr. Franklin would be much more than an onlooker. Although his interventions into the debates were not excessive, his influence was much in evidence as he would often challenge unwise proposals or attempt to dislodge the log jams of argument among the delegates from a dozen states during the

long hot days of that summer. When Dr. Franklin did rise before the assembly, it was always to make a sage observation or to offer proper guidance. On one occasion, he recommended that the national government should be empowered to veto certain laws passed by individual states. This was accepted.

In the course of this crucial summer, Benjamin Franklin assumed his most significant role. Being debated was the question of how the separate states

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would be represented in future congresses, the size of their respective populations being the key issue. Should such representation be in proportion to the population? If so, then surely the smaller states which regarded their rights to be fully equal to those of the more populous ones, would be swamped in Congress. Arguments grew heated on the hot day of June 28. It seemed as though all of the good effects that were envisioned from this great body of Americans looking to America's future would be forever lost. Sensing that this day marked a turning point in the survival of all those things which had guided America through the seas of turmoil into freedom, Benjamin Franklin again rose, but this time he made a motion that all future sessions be opened with prayer, a plea for divine guidance.

At the beginning of the War of Independence, Dr. Franklin noted, there had been much disunity of purpose, but Congress had seen the wisdom of opening each day with prayer within this very room in which they were now assembled. Once again, the need was present to invoke the help of Almighty God. Without it, "we shall be divided by our little partial local interests; our projects will be confounded, and we ourselves shall become a reproach and a bye word down to future ages. And what is worse, mankind may hereafter from this unfortunate instance, despair of establishing government by human wisdom and leave it to chance, war and conquest."

This motion for daily prayer was rejected by the delegates; nevertheless, the moving words of Dr. Franklin had placed a lasting effect upon the mood of the convention. Two days later, on June 30, his proposal was adopted.

A committee consisting of one member from each state present was formed to draw up a working agreement on all points at issue, much like the Constitution provides as it exists today. Franklin was sorely afraid that in its final form this document would not gain approval. Arguments continued throughout the remainder of that summer. He continued to suggest additional motions, but in such things he had only limited success.

In September, Benjamin Franklin, sensing a stagnation of any positive movement among the delegates, rose once more, with great difficulty, and said this: The longer I live the more convincing proof I see of this Truth, that God governs in the affairs of men; if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without his aid?" These words electrified all those present, but Franklin continued, Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that built it. Without His concurring aid, we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel. I firmly believe this."

Ben Franklin concluded by urging every member present to "doubt a little of his own infallibility, put aside specific reservations and vote unanimously for approval of this new constitution." They did this. Thank God, they did this!

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*Constitution of the United States of America*, was signed. As the signatures were being affixed, Dr. Franklin looked up toward the chair on which George Washington was seated. On the wall behind him was painted a sun. He remarked to those around him that artists often had difficulty in differentiating between a rising and setting sun. "But now at length, I have the happiness to know that it is a rising and not a setting sun."

The creation of this mighty Constitution had been most difficult, and often heartrending, but in the end, it was accomplished. The devoted efforts of this great American Mason had won for his beloved country a new and bright future. Benjamin Franklin provided the capstone when he said this: "We have, however done our best, and now it must take its chance."

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# Knight Voices

To place your knight Voices" item on the waiting list for publication, type or print it and send to "Knight Voices, The Grand Recorder, 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101, Chicago, IL 60630-2460. Items submitted to Knight Templar that refer to Templar or Masonic subjects will continue to be printed free of charge. All other items should be accompanied by a \$5.00 remittance made payable to the Grand Encampment Any submission may be subject to editing.

Please note: Because of demand for space In the "Knight Voices" section of the magazine, starting April 20, 1995, we will no longer honor requests for the repetition of ads. You must submit a written request and check, if applicable, for each time you want your ad to run. We will finish the repeat ads we already have, but starting April 20, 1995, all other requests of this nature will be returned to the senders.

To build the library of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, looking for copies of the Allied Masonic Degree Annals and Miscs4nea,Cclledanea prior to 1990. Also Annuals of the 3, and College of Rites prior to 1994 and copies of the Rosicinisian Fa'ria. Will pay postage and nominal price if required. Robert E. Prar, PD. Bar XE; Connersville; IN 47331,

To celebrate 200 years of Templary In Pennsylvania, the 144th Annual Conclave Committee is selling Knight Templar key fobs for a donation of \$1.25 each or \$1.00 each, quantities of ten or more. The key fobs are white with Cross and Crown emblem and "in Hoc Signo Vincas" and printed In red. They measure three inches brig and two Inches wide with a one-inch split key ring. Send orders payable to 144th Conclave to George Metz, 130 Sprk,Von Lake Road, Media, PA 143-1a26.

Is Two beautiful Knights Terrplar certificates to benefit the Eye Fotaiddation. The costs are: "What Is a Knighr-\$8.00, and What Is a Templar - \$8.00. The certificates have 5 colors with golden archways embossed on 80-lb. parchment paper. Also to benefit the Eye Foundation Is a Masonic Knights Templar stein honoring DeMolay for their 75 years. Purchase price, \$47.00, including S & H. A picture of stems is in Knight Templar, January 1995. Make check payable to Stanley C. Buz and mail to P.O. Bar 702, Whitehall PA 19252.

Coleman Commandery No. 17, Tray, Ohio, chartered Oct. 15, 1869, is now celebrating Its 125th year. A special medal has been struck, and a number are available. The antique bronze Is modeled from the 1915 Grand Commandery medal with ribbon and dated top bar. Send \$10.00 check or money order to Den Mu,rlord, 15075 Mefzeler, Srdriey, OH 45365.

Of Hoping to locate my grandfathers Knight Templar sword. His name was John A. Litter, and it was engraved on the blade. His membership was In New Orleans. He died April 1910. I was two years old. Della Andreassen, 109 Amayyllis Drive, Lafayette, LA 70503-3214.

For sale: K.T. sword, very old with knight's head and chain, and Illinois K.T. pocket watch, very good condition. Ray Mull/n, tO Payne Road, Barrington, RI 02806, (401) 245-6725.

For sale: wooden Knight Templar figure. 11" high on 21/2" x2 1/2" beveled base. This space adequate for Knight's name. Ideal commemorative gift for organization anniversary or any special event. Price: \$5.00 each plus \$1.70 postage, 1st and 3rd class, USA; Canada. \$1.78; or international postage. \$5.63. James E. Odland; 3730 47th Avenue, Sa4h, MErnes4x4al; MN 55406

Trying to locate and obtain sword, picture and apron (in a frame) of my grandfather for my son who served as Slate Master Councilor, 1993-94, PA, and became a Mason in 1994. His name was Joseph Crane, and he was a member of Pittsburgh, PA, bodies: Milnor Lodge No. 287, Master Mason June of 1915; Shiloh Royal Arch Chapter No. 287. 1917; and Commandery No. 1, 1918. Claire Sab,n, 9 Admiral Dewey Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15205.

For sale: antique Knight Templar watch lde. 1 1/4" x5/8, with movable lace shield, in 10K gold—has all symbols. Phone (815) 589-2258.

For sale: gold Knight Templar watch fob, beautiful, approx. 1919-1920; 3-piece, rise 1 xl 1/7, with 32 eagle on side, crossed swords, lettering, knight head with part of visor missing. Asking \$700.00 or best offer. Charles Dull. 405 Anderson Drive, Auburndale, FL 33833

Wanted: old Shrine Imperial session badges for display in our Temple. Our old Temple burned in 1985, and we lost everything historical from our past. Any help will be greatly appreciated. I will pay postage and a reasonable price if not donated. Leroy Sutton, Asst. Rabban; Scimitar Shrine Temple; P.O. Box 4017; North Little Rock, AR 72116, (501) 835-1436. If I'm not home, leave message, and I will return call.

Video for your Lodge. Two hours of questions and answers on the Masonic Quiz Tape." Entertain and inform your Brethren. \$10.00 each. \$1.50 S & H. Partial proceeds to KTEF. Earl H. Spahlinger, 848 E. College St., Alliance, OH 44601, (276) 823-8336.

You can help the KTEFI 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, flowered setting. It is made of genuine porcelain with lovely Copenhagen" finish and has loop on back and comes with easel for wall or table display. All proceeds will benefit the KTEF. Send \$10.95 plus \$2.50 S & H to Frank Farrar; PSC 54, Box 701, APO AEO9601.

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. 10% of proceeds will benefit the KTEF. These unique pins are available only through Professional Creations Unlimited, 1630 Orchard Hill Road, Cheshire CT 06410-3728.

North Star Lodge No. 8, Lancaster, NH, is celebrating its bicentennial during 1997. Commemorative woody coins have been struck: one coin. \$2.00; two or more. \$1.50 each, postage and handling included. Proceeds will go to the bicentennial celebration. Checks or money orders payable to L. R. Gates, R.R. 1, Box 99, Lancaster, NH 03584-9704

Bellville Lodge No. 376, F. & A.M., of Bellville, Ohio, has a limited supply of 125th anniversary bronze coins available at \$3.50 each, including postage. Write checks or money orders payable to *Bellville Lodge No. 376, C/O Paul L. F.vntz. 356 Main Street, Bellville, OH 44813.*

Golden Rule Lodge No. 562, F. & AM., Willard, Ohio, celebrated its 100th anniversary. Both silver and bronze medallions are available to commemorate this event: silver, .999 fine silver, numbered edition. \$20.00; bronze. \$5.00. Shipping is included in cost. Make checks payable to *Golden Rule Lodge No. 562, P.O. Box 237, MHa,d, OH 44890.*

United edition 100th anniversary coin (1893-1993). Palatine Chapter No. 206, Palatine, Illinois. Limit 3 coins only per order, while supply lasts. \$5.00 each. Send your order to *Secretary Jim Maurais, 1116 East Plate Drive, Palatine, IL 60067, (708) 358-7188.*

Bailey Lodge No. 146, &F.M., of Greer, SC, is celebrating its 125th anniversary and has some coins available. The face has lodge name and location around 3 steps, columns, all-seeing eye over square and compass, with plumb and level to side and hands below; the back has shape of state with years. The coin is antique copper with certificate. Check or money order for \$6.00, payable to *Bailey Lodge No. 146 and mail to D. Walter Elder, 112 Stribling Curie, Spartanburg, SC 29301.*

Fund-raiser for Benton Lodge No. 521, F. & A.M., Fowler, IN: official Swiss Army knives with silver alloy inlaid square and compass on a blue handle. It contains scissors, tweezers, toothpick, and nail file. Knives were custom made and produced for this fund-raiser, are high quality, tough, and small enough to be carried in slacks. \$18.95 plus \$2.00 shipping per knife. *Bruce Creek, PM.; R.R. No. 1, Box 229; Remington; IN 47977, or call (219) 29 7-33051 or more information.*

Ark Chapter No. 53, RAM., Minneapolis, MN, has had struck a limited (500) bronze pennies in honor of its 100th anniversary. 1890-1990. Thirty (30) are left at \$10.00 each, including S & H. Checks payable to *A Chapter No. 53. Send to Secretary K. M. Sulem, 5149 Bloomington Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55417-1849*

150th Rededication for Pekin Lodge No. 29. Beautiful commemorative plates for sale at \$20.00 each plus \$5.00 S & H. for Pekin Lodge's 150th anniversary celebration. Check or money order payable to *Pekin Lodge No. 29 and send to 328 Elizabeth Street. PMA'r, IL 61554, C/O James Mann.*

Lafayette Lodge No. 44, F. & A.M., of Cumming, Georgia, is celebrating its 150th anniversary and has coins and commemorative case knife available: silver coins, \$25.00 each; antique bronze and nickel, \$5.00 each. Case knife has serial no. and etched, \$50.00 each. Send check or money order to *Lafayette Lodge No. 44, P.O. Box 941. Cumming, GA 30130-0941.*

The Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America has released a medallion honoring Michael J. Hlatke III. Supreme Tail Cedar, 1995. Theme is "Catch the True Spirit" and features the Masonic emblem, the Tail Cedar Emblem, the American flag, a huggy bear (the Tail Cedar symbol), and the slogan "Cedarism Thrives in '95." Front side has picture of Michael J. Hlatke III. Checks payable to *Supreme Forest, Tail Cedars of Lebanon. Send to Supreme Forest Office, 26 N. Front St., Harrisburg, PA 17110.*

For sale: Amaranth gold finished emblem on 18' chain. Cost, \$15.00, including S & H. Proceeds go to the Amaranth Diabetic Foundation. A good fund-raiser for your court. Price quote on quantities of 50 or more. Men or women can wear. Checks payable to *Maryland Court, Order or the Amaranth. Mail checks to Donald A. Adams, 6304 Fair Oaks Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21214-1720.*

For sale: Masonic Lodge officers's stations; Master, three-seat unit, Sr. Warden; and Jr. Warden. All ornate, solid oak, and each seat is 72" tail by 35x31". From a western Kansas lodge. Historic, originally purchased new in 1887. Asking \$4,000. Call (316) 792-5066 or write *Jim Drake, P.O. Box 1052, Great Bend, KS 67530*

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. I will answer all letters. *Maurice Strc\*, Sr.; 775 W. Roger Rd., No. 274; Tucson; AZ 85705; (602) 888-7585.*

Harry S. Truman antique 23 karat gold stamps Mnted in 1976. U.S.A. bicentennial commemorative, the remainder of this 1976 limited edition of 8,000 serially- numbered staff". The engraving pictures the 33rd president wearing the Master's jewels as shown on the cover of the June 1994 issue of this magazine. Send \$12.95 for one stamp mounted and ready to frame or in the original commemorative envelope (includes S & H). Part of proceeds to be used for Masonic work. *Truman stamp, Suite 120, 3601 Noland Road, Independence, MO 64055-3341 or call 7-800-279-4703.*

We have a few of these old-time, Masonic, mechanical American pocket watches left, Elgin, Illinois, Waltham, and Hamilton, value priced at only \$250.00. Postage, insurance, and handling are on rrw Masonic symbols instead of numbers on the dial; clean-running timepiece in either yellow or white gold finish. A percentage to benefit KTEF. Call the professor at (5 12) 88.2-5974. Check or money order for \$250.00 to *H. C. Arbuckle III, P.O. Box 3026, Corpus Christi, TX 78463-3026.*

Wanted: Tennessee Masonic Chapter pennies and other related medals. Working on book listing Tennessee tokens used by drug stores, general stores, bakeries, confectionaries, luther and coal oorporanes, etc and adding Chapter pennies. *Joe Copeiand. P.O. Box 4221, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, (615) 482-421*

For sale: Two York and one Scottish Rite rings, in excellent condition: sterling silver Royal Arch w/onyx affect background top and mounted RA Triple Tau emblem, \$50; sterling band with Commandery cross/crown in red/black (Chapter/Council on sides). \$25; silver color, heavy duralite (stronger than silver), 32" with yellow double eagle, blue square and compass, black yod. \$75. All size 9; includes postage. *Rev. Charles Roberts, 229 Wildwood Drive, Sumter, SC 29754. All sales final*

For sale: No. 2 Dudley watch, made in Lancaster, PA, with yellow-gold case, 19 jewels. Serial No. 5077, size 12. Open face with glass back. Runs good. Best offer over \$2,000. Also: 3 Masonic emblems and a watch chain—chain and one emblem gold filled; others with jewels and one is 32". \$700 for all. *Mrs. Chester Abel, P.O. Box 836, Forsyth, MO 6.3.*

First \$200 takes all: heavy 5/8th' wide, 14 kt. solid gold, 14' Scottish Rite ring; O.E.S. ladies 14 kt. gold ring w/erblem on onyx w/diamond chip; O.E.S. brooch/pendant w/chain, Inscribed reverse 'Worthy Matron' set with 5 cubic zirconlurra; solid silver small slipper pin. Pictures available. *Rev. H. K. Means, Apt. E 301,2275 Aaron Street, Punta Gordia, FL 'mQ.c2*

Masonic stamp collectors: please recommend Philatelic books helpful for starting a Masonic stamp collection. Starting grandchildren in stamp collecting. *Robert A. Martens, ii North Clark St, Newcastle, Wyoming 82701.*

WWII, 24K gold-plated Lame Duck insignia tie bar, and a 1982 proof, 1-nc .999 pure silver Eagle and Liberty Bet coin, dollar size, sealed in airtight holder, and 1995 calendar, \$12.95 pp. *Art Joe (PM.; 3259,4 San Amadeo; Laguna Hits., CA 92653.*

Have your full name written in Egyptian h.roglyphicst Computer produced on genuine Egyptian papyrus, matted and framed and 8x10 overall. \$24.95 includes shipping. Great gift! *G. D. Kingore, P.O. Box 2073, Arlington His., IL 60005-2073. Please specify name.*

1995, 12th Reunion, U.S.S. Mississippi (BB-41), June 7-11, Marriott Hotel, 2625 Thousand Oaks Blvd., Merrplis, TN. *MAE Huleir, P.O. Box 97, Swlton, AR 72471, (501)485-2382*

Who ran to help me when I fell,  
And would some pretty story tell,  
Or kiss the place to make it well?  
My Mother.

*My Mother* by Ann Taylor