

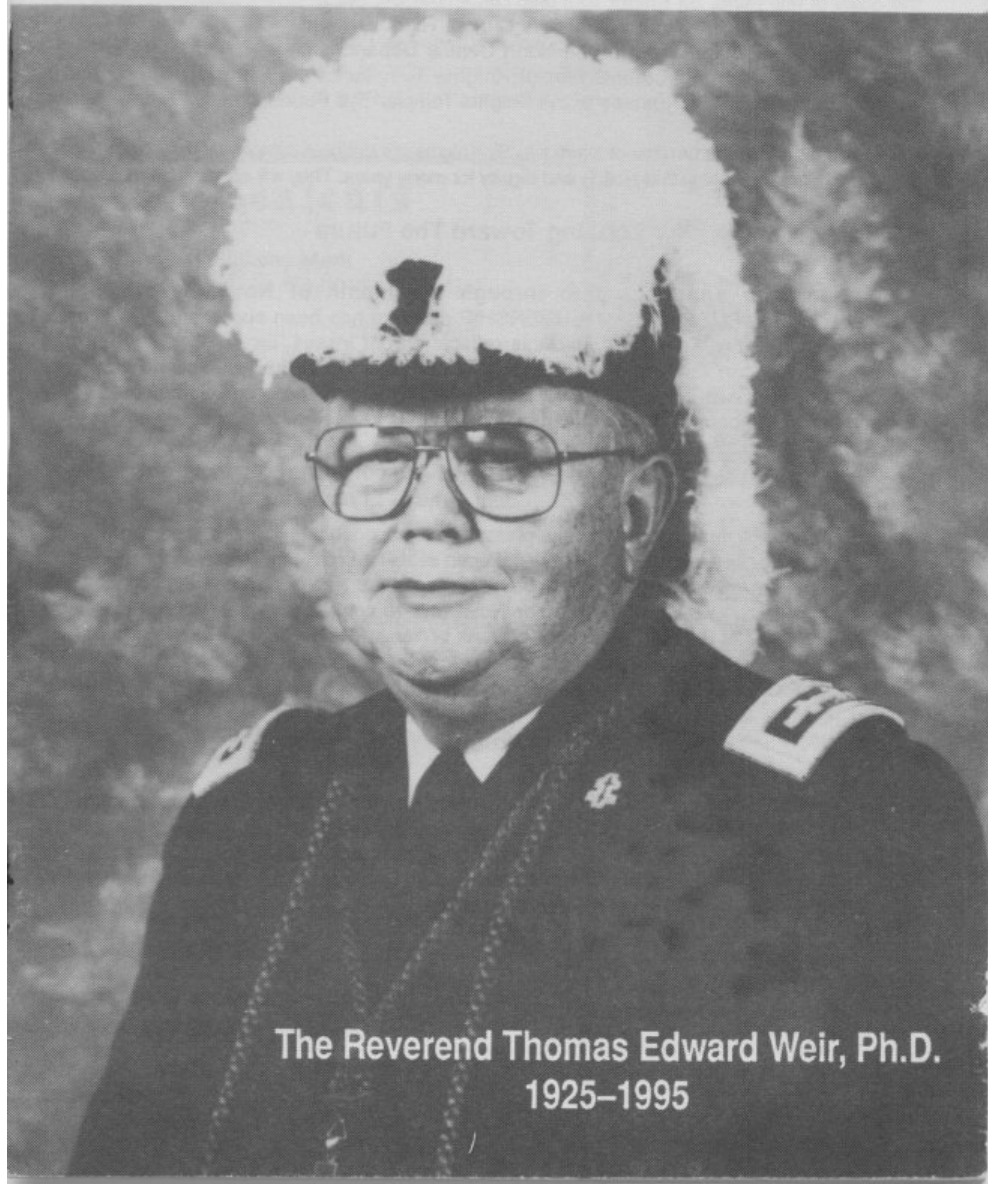


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The Reverend Thomas Edward Weir, Ph.D.
1925–1995

60th Triennium Halfway Mark

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of two faithful Sir Knights of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

One is Sir Knight Thomas E. Weir, Right Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, 1988-1995, and Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Maryland. Sir Knight Tom died December 24, 1995.

The other is Sir Knight Alvin Louis Crump, Right Eminent Past Department Commander of the North Central Department, 1967-1970, Past Grand Commander of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois, and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Sir Knight Al died December 25, 1995.

We extend to the families of these two Sir Knights our deepest sympathy. They have served our Grand Encampment with devotion and dignity for many years. They will certainly be missed.



Looking Toward The Future

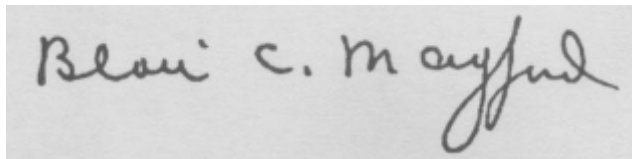
I am happy to announce that through the month of November 1995 our MEMBERSHIP - MEMBERSHIP - MEMBERSHIP program has been successful. We show a slight increase in our Knightings, and this reflects on our losses. Sir Knights, keep up the good work. You can really see the outcome of our program in the jurisdictions that have been using the MEMBERSHIP - MEMBERSHIP - MEMBERSHIP program. Some could easily see a gain in membership during this triennium. Thanks to all who have cooperated.

10th Crusade-3rd and 4th Pilgrimages

Your Holy Land Pilgrimage Committee is pleased to announce that two more pilgrimages to the Holy Land are planned for 1996. There are still open seats for both of these pilgrimages. The third pilgrimage will leave New York on November 5, and return to New York on November 15, 1996. The fourth pilgrimage will leave New York on November 18 and return to New York on November 28, 1996. Sir Knights P. Fred Lesley and R. Frank Williams will shepherd these two pilgrimages. Details are on page 12-13. For more information regarding either pilgrimage, contact Sir Knight P. Fred Lesley, P.O. Box 498, Battle Creek, Michigan 49016 or telephone (616) 965-0324.

28th Annual Voluntary Campaign

Keep up your best efforts. There is another weekly report due at the time of this writing. For the week ending December 22, 1995, the statistical tabulation shows a gain of \$46,379.93 over the 27th Voluntary Campaign. Our total for this campaign is \$117,605.58. Lets keep Sir Knight Charles Games, our 28th Voluntary Campaign Chairman, smiling all of the way to the bank. Remember our goal is set for 2 million dollars.



Blair Christy Mayford
Grand Master

Knight Templar

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

FEBRUARY: Sadly *Knight Templar* includes two 'In Memoriam' articles this month, for Sir Knights Thomas E. Weir and Alvin L. Crump. Much of the magazine is devoted to two very important topics: the 28th Annual Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, with coverage starting on page 7, and the MEMBERSHIP – MEMBERSHIP - MEMBERSHIP program of Grand Master Mayford, with several articles covering aspects of the goal: to increase membership and to retain members as active and participating in all Freemasonry. Of course, we also include news from around the country. Enjoy!

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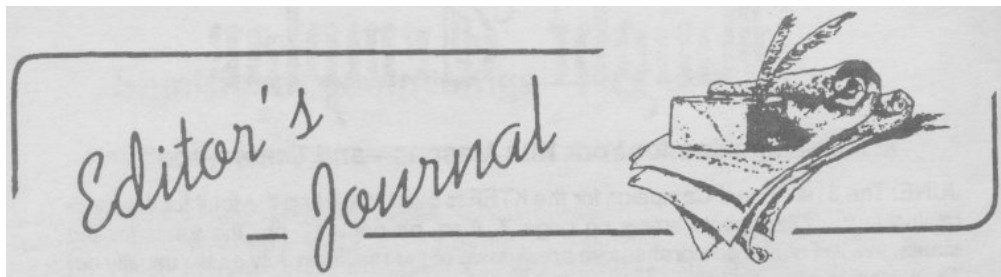
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Utah supplement Editor: We are sad to report the passing of the editor of the Utah Supplement, Sir Knight Robert Chambers.

Report of the Ladles Oriental Shrine of North America: The meeting for 1996 is May 12-17 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The current Grand High Priestess is Evelyn B. Jordan, 1175 St., Rt. 42; Mason, OH 45040-9675. Their contact is Violet Lamb, 4029 Poste Lam, Columbus, OH 43221-4904.

The Tenth Crusade to the Holy Land: Grand Master Maytord has authorized two more trips to the Holy Land, scheduled for November 5 through November 15, and November 18 through 28, 1996. Details are provided on page 12 and 13.

Announcement: Knight Commander of the Temple award: All nominations for the Knight Commander of the Temple award should be made to a HOLDER of the award in the state of the nominee. These nominations will be reviewed by the holders and then forwarded to the Grand Encampment. NO nominations will be accepted if sent directly to the Grand Encampment office. Any further questions should be directed to the Grand Recorder of your state.

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.

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.

Complimentary for Widows: Widows of Knights Templar are eligible to continue receiving our magazine as long as they desire. To retain or reinstate the mailing, simply instruct your local Recorder or the Grand Encampment of your wishes.

In Memoriam

Sir Knight Thomas Edward Weir
Right Eminent Grand Prelate, 1988-1995
Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the U.S.A.

by Sir Knight Blair C. Mayford, Grand Master

Sir Knight Thomas Edward Weir, Right Eminent Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, died at Bethesda National Naval Center on December 24, 1995. He was ill for a very brief time.

Sir Knight Tom served all of Masonry including as Worshipful Master of his Blue Lodge, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, and Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Maryland. He was appointed Grand Prelate by Grand Master Marvin E. Fowlter in 1988, and was reappointed by Grand Masters William H. Thornley, Jr. and Blair C. Mayford. He was a holder of the Knight Commander of the Temple. Tom was cornated an Inspector General Honorary, 33°, in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction. He was also active in the Red Cross of Constantine, National Sojourners, and Allied Masonic Degrees, serving as Supreme Ruler of the Order of Secret Monitor. He worked with the Masonic Services Association as Director for Veterans Administration Hospitals nationwide for the past three years.

He was born in 1925 in Washington, North Carolina, and grew up in Roanoke, Virginia. He graduated with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering from the University of South Carolina in 1945. Tom, after graduation, began active duty in the United States Navy as a line officer serving until 1952. After leaving the Navy, he entered graduate school at Emory University receiving a Bachelor of Divinity degree in



1954 and served as pastor for a three-church circuit in rural Georgia. He then entered the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, earning a Ph.D. in theology in 1961. Beginning in 1956 he served as the director of the Wesley Foundation for the students of Washington and Lee University and the Virginia Military Institute. He also taught Greek at Washington and Lee and biblical studies at Southern Seminary in Buena Vista Virginia. He established the chaplaincy program at Virginia Military Institute and served as the first Institute chaplain.

In 1964, Tom reentered the Navy as chaplain serving until his retirement in 1975. At the time of his death he was serving as chaplain in the United States Naval Reserve. Over his career he served in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam.

Throughout his life, Tom served in leadership posts locally and nationally with the American Legion, La Societie 40/8, the Disabled American Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Red Cross, the Boy Scouts of America and Rotary International.

Attending the services from the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America were Sir Knights: Blair C. Mayford, Grand Master; James M. Ward, Deputy Grand Master; William J. Jones, Grand Generalissimo; Kenneth B. Fischer, Grand Captain General; Charles R. Neumann, Grand Recorder; and Marvin E. Fowler, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. Also present were: Sir Knight Edward S. P. Carson, Past

Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada; Sir Knights Herbert A. Fisher and Richard B. Baldwin, Honorary Past Department Commanders; and Sir Knight William H. Koori II, Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Ohio. Burial was in Arlington National Cemetery.

His family and friends will long remember him for his keen mind, tremendous sense of humor, warm smile, and his generous and dedicated service to people worldwide.

He is survived by his wife, Rebekah Turner Weir; two sons, Thomas E. Weir, Jr., of Paris, France and Charles Wesley Weir of Charlottesville, Virginia, and two grandchildren.

Remembrance

by Susanna Burton Goehler

No words can take away our sorrow or our pain
Or bring our loved ones back to us again.

Our hearts now sad and sore from mortal pain,
God's infinite wisdom supremely He shall reign.

To know their eyes are tearless while our eyes weep,
We think of their eternity of sleep.

One thought shall still its primal sweetness keep:
They are just a mortal breath away.

We cannot see what lies beyond the veil
Or understand the sorrows that prevail.

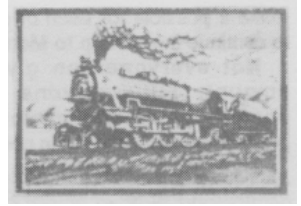
The promises of God shall forever stand; Have faith in God it is the Lord's command.

Life slips past so quickly from the moment we are born;
Memories and treasures loved ones shared are so swiftly gone.

Life is a magnificent radiant splendor our mortal eyes behold,
Graciously given to us by God's eternal love.

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and *The National Library of Poetry*

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The 28th Voluntary Campaign

After a Slight Malfunction... The Mail Car Is Back on Track!

by Sir Knight Charles A. Garnes, Honorary P.D.C.
and Chairman of the 28th Annual Voluntary Campaign

We are now two months into the 28th Voluntary Campaign, and that means that we should be at 40% of our goal. Check your status, and see where you stand in your progress as a Sir Knight and as a Commandery. By determining your status, you will know what you need to do to help reach our goal.

Time moves fast and so does the Voluntary Campaign train; in fact, it is almost halfway across the country.

There is still room in the mail car for your mailbag. If your mailbag is full and on its way to Springfield, we thank you for your support. If you have not yet joined the campaign, there is a special envelope for that purpose in this month's issue of *Knight Templar*. If you have mislaid the mailbag (envelope), just take a plain envelope and address it to: KTEF, P.O. Box 579, Springfield, IL 62705-0579. Please indicate: Grand Master's or Grand Commander's Club, Patron, Associate Patron, Life Sponsor, or Donation. Show your Commandery name, number and state so that your Commandery receives credit.

There is still time for fund-raising projects in the Commanderies. If you are tired of hearing about fundraising, may I remind you that those with eye problems are not only tired of sight problems but are distressed because of the unknown future that is ahead for them. They may have nowhere to turn except to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. You and I as Sir Knights just might be the persons who *cared enough to "Make a difference between someone being able to see and the dreaded alternative."*

As Freemasons it is up to us as members to support the "Family of Masonic Charities." By helping each one with whatever amount you



can, you will make it possible for each of our charities to continue their "Help to Mankind."

Not everyone can give a large amount, but everyone can give something, so take a minute to help provide light for someone in need.

May the "Love in Your Heart" on Valentine's Day be extended in a new way by 'Helping Others to See.'

Sir Knight Charles A. Garnes, Honorary Past Department Commander and P.G.C. of Pennsylvania, is the National Voluntary Campaign Chairman and a member of Duquesne Commandery No. 72, Penn Hills, Pennsylvania. He resides at 1700 Jamestown Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15235-4944

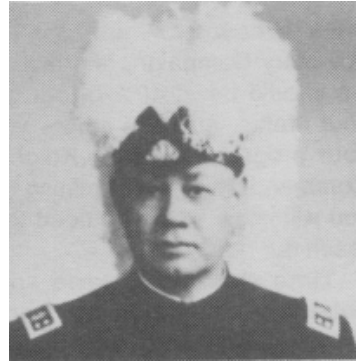
In Memoriam
Alvin Louis Crump
1904-1995

Born February 17, 1904, in Winnemac, Indiana, Sir Knight Crump was educated in Culver, Indiana, and completed his engineering education in Ohio. For twenty years he was employed by the Powers Regular Company in design and development, retiring in 1946 as manager of Construction and Sales. Then, he established the A. L. Grump Company.

He married Mildred Louise Heilman in 1929, and they had two daughters, Constance M. Rammer and Carol Lynn Haanio. Mildred preceded him in death, and he is survived by both daughters.

Highlights of his Masonic career are as follows: Master Mason in Evans Lodge No. 524, Evanston, IL, W.M. in 1946; Exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Evanston Chapter No. 144, Evanston, IL, High Priest in 1955; Greeted a Royal and Select Master in Augustus N. Gage Council No. 124, Evanston, Thrice Illustrious Master in 1953; Knighted in Evanston Commandery No. 58, Evanston, Eminent Commander, 1954-55. He was elected Grand Warder of the Grand Commandery of Illinois in 1955 and was elected Grand Commander in 1962. He was appointed North Central Department Commander of the North Central Department of the Grand Encampment for the term 1967-1970 by Sir Knight John Lawton Crofts, M.E.G.M. Sir Knight Grump was a member of and Past Preceptor of Simon Peter Tabernacle No. XXII, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Grand Preceptor of the Grand College in 1977; was elected to Knight York Cross of Honour and served as Convent General; was a member of the Red Cross of Constantine and served as Sovereign; was a life member of Medinah Temple, AAONMS and a charter member of the First Shrine Club, North Shore Shrine Club, Evanston, IL, Vice President, 1950; and was a life member of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Chicago, 33^o in 1970. He received the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor.

Sir Knight Alvin L. Grump died on December 25, 1995, and a memorial service was conducted at the Scottish Rite Cathedral in Chicago, Illinois, on January 13, 1996.



KTEF Recipients Respond...

Dear Knights Templar:

On October 20th of this year, a cataract was removed from my right eye by Dr. Thornley, here in Mobile, Alabama. This was made possible by your outstanding organization. That is why the main purpose of this letter is to say thank you. Without your organization's providing of funds, the surgery could possibly not have happened. As a result, my vision is better than before.

Organizations like yours are what makes America the country that she is, a land of caring and compassionate people.

I'm sure your organization will continue to provide hope and inspiration to many more. Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Wayne Kirksey
Mobile, Alabama

Dear Knights Templar

I wanted to write to tell you how much my husband and I really do appreciate your help. If you had not helped me, I would still be unable to see. I couldn't begin to tell you how much it has changed my life. Throughout my life I have known of organizations that were supposed to help people, but they would help one out of ten. But your foundation is the first one out of all I've known that was there when someone was in need and helped without hesitation. I know I can never repay you for being there when I needed someone, but until the day I leave this earth, I will donate as much as I can monthly to help someone else. I will keep you in my prayers always. God Bless and always help foundations like yours.

Thanks again from the bottom of my heart.

Forever grateful
Ethel and Bill Boles
Independence, Kentucky

Dear Knights Templar:

Thank you so much for providing the funds for my strabismus surgery. I am in my senior year of high school and could not read without getting severe headaches from my eyes. As my eyes became worse, I could hardly see anything clearly, I had headaches all the time, and I could not read or do my school work at all. Glasses did not help. The surgery corrected my eyesight so that now I see 20/20, and I do not have headaches anymore.

Thanks so much. I could not have had the surgery without your financial help.

Very truly yours,
Amy Nicole Minford
Pineville, North Carolina

In Memoriam



Bruce H. Hunt

Missouri

Honorary Grand Commander

Born January 29, 1913

Died December 16, 1995

Lester William Holt

New Hampshire

Grand Commander-1964

Born August 3, 1906

Died December 18, 1995

Reverend Thomas Edward Weir

Maryland

R.E. Grand Prelate-1988-1995

Grand Commander-1989

Born April 6, 1925

Died December 24, 1995

Alvin Louis Crump

Illinois

North Central

Dept. Commander-1967-1970

Grand Commander-1962

Born February 17, 1904

Died December 25, 1995

Grand Commander's Club

- No. 100,358-Dana W. Richards (GA)
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- No. 100,360-Joe Childers (OH)
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Commandery No. 24, Milwaukee, WI
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- No. 2,490-H. Rusby Couper (GA)

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

of \$100 or more will begin your Grand Commanders 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 Masters Club. Membership is open to individuals only, and there is now Commandery credit given for participation. Information is available from: Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 579, Springfield, IL 62705, (217) 523-3838.

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

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.

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-eighth Voluntary Campaign

Campaign report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending January 5, 1996. The total amount contributed to date is \$199,570.66.

Alabama.....	\$41,735.00
Arizona.....	340.00
Arkansas.....	1,660.00
California.....	5,591.20
Colorado.....	1,684.95
Connecticut.....	2,082.00
Delaware.....	180.00
District of Columbia.....	1,353.00
Florida.....	4,234.00
Georgia.....	16,692.00
Idaho.....	1,142.00

Illinois.....	1,673.00
Indiana.....	3,080.00
Iowa.....	7,137.32
Kansas.....	1,490.00
Kentucky.....	2,962.00
Louisiana.....	3,110.00
Maine.....	2,419.83
Maryland.....	1830.00
Mass./R.1.....	4,215.00
Michigan.....	13,568.97
Minnesota.....	1,245.00
Mississippi.....	690.00
Missouri.....	997.00
Montana.....	164.00
Nebraska.....	928.00
Nevada.....	1,462.00
New Jersey.....	1,157.45
New York.....	3,514.10
North Carolina.....	3,892.00
North Dakota.....	130.00
Ohio.....	3,395.90
Oklahoma.....	650.00
Oregon.....	2,250.00
Pennsylvania.....	6,310.00
South Carolina.....	3,485.50
South Dakota.....	1,261.50
Tennessee.....	7,025.38
Texas.....	4,032.00
Utah.....	7,364.00
Vermont.....	10.00
Virginia.....	7,895.48
Washington.....	4,030.60
West Virginia.....	1,845.00
Wisconsin.....	10,055.00
Wyoming.....	475.00
Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks ...	100.00
Harry J. Miller No. 5,	
Germany.....	50.00
Italy Subordinates.....	100.00
Miscellaneous.....	6,875.48

Largest Wills And Bequests Received In December 1995

Estate of Mrs. Agnes Morgan, Texas
\$40,000.00 (partial distribution) - widow - no children.

Estate of Morton S. Saultz, California
\$10,089.88 - survivor is his widow.

This was from an insurance policy that names several charities to receive percentages. KTEF received 10%.

Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Tenth Crusade to the Holy Land

November 5-15 and November 18-28, 1996

Each trip is limited to 50 people

Rate: \$1,540 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 Newark Airport on November 5 and 18, 1996, and return to J. F. Kennedy Airport on November 15 and 28, 1996. The cost for the entire trip will be \$1,540 per person. 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 motorcoach with licensed English-speaking guide
- All entrance fees and portage
- Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee Folklore evening
- Departure taxes from U.S.A. and Israel

Deposit of \$200 per person due June 1, 1996. Final payment due September 1, 1996.

Itinerary for Holy Land Pilgrimage

Day 1: Meet at the El Al Terminal for your departure to Israel.

Day 2: 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: 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: 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: 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: 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: 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: Depart Jerusalem and drive to the city of Jericho, the oldest city in the world. Continue along the Jordan Valley to Belt Shean. Visit the excavations. Visit Belvoir, a 12th century Crusader fortress. 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: 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: Drive to Acco, the last city of the Crusader kingdom. 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: Early morning departure flight arriving the same morning at New York.

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 June 1, 1996
Final payment due September 1, 1996.
For more information, please call Fred Lesley at: (616) 965-0324

Name: _____
Address: _____
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Membership - We Can't Live Without It!

by Sir Knight Charles A. Garnes, Honorary P.D.C., P.G.C.
Chairman of the Committee on Public Relations

IS YOUR MEMBERSHIP GROWING?

This question is addressed to every Commander and Sir Knight in the Grand Encampment. If your answer is "yes," then you are moving in the right direction, but if your answer is "no," you need to ask yourself "WHY NOT."

Every Commandery needs to be evaluated by experienced Sir Knights with the officers involved. Conditions vary in Commanderies and in the communities where they are located. Interests have changed as far as being a member of a fraternal organization, but there are still thousands of Christian Masons who should be Knights Templar, and there are thousands of non-Masons who would enjoy Templary.

So why do we have a declining membership? Many of us have heard this statement: "Look in the mirror; you are someone's impression of Templary." Our image is the first improvement that must be made, and this extends from our uniforms to the buildings where we meet. If your uniform is not impressive (does not fit properly or needs cleaning and pressing), then the impression is poor. If the building where your Commandery meets looks like it is in need of repair, we have another undesirable impression and you now have two strikes against you. We are living in an age when the quality people we seek as members will not be attracted by these conditions.

Let us assume that appearance of Sir Knights and meeting places are acceptable; then, what do we need to address next? If your members are proud of their Commandery, you have a good chance of reversing the trend that exists. If our members are not proud of their Commandery, they will not be embarrassed by recommending a friend into an organization that cannot or will not give a favorable impression. The image being

correct, you now need to find Sir Knights with enthusiasm, commitment, and creativity who will work to restore and preserve the Commandery.

The officers are the key players in this effort. Get the officer line in shape so you can open a Commandery correctly. Put a cast together so that the ritual can be presented in an impressive manner. Remember - you don't get a **second chance to make a first impression**

The Orders are written with some flexibility, and when needed, we can adjust within reason remembering not to delete or neglect the impressive parts of the Orders. **EVERY SIR KNIGHT IS ENTITLED TO AND DESERVES TO RECEIVE IMPRESSIVE RITUAL.** The ritual is our method of creating members—don't destroy it.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE SIR KNIGHTS WILL DETERMINE THE ALTITUDE OF THE COMMANDERY. If your Commandery functions as a Commandery should, your members will be proud to belong and will attract quality members.

Now let us assume you have a Conclave with newly created Sir Knights present. What are you going to do at this meeting that will be of interest and that will make the new members want to return? If you are only going to read the minutes, communications, pay the bills, have meager refreshments, and go home; don't expect many of the new members to return.

The answer is a combination of programs inside as well as outside the asylum. Programs that develop into fellowship and friendships are an absolute necessity.

Frequently, we have distinguished visitors present. New Sir Knights will learn more by fellowship with the visitors than they will from long speeches. Fellowship, not the business of the meeting, is what makes **our members want to return to meetings.**

There is no magic solution to increasing membership. It takes time, effort, dedication, commitment, and belief in this Great Christian Order by all seriously interested Sir Knights for your Commandery to grow. **Talk is easy**, action takes a little more effort. Are you on the "Action Team" or the "Talk Team"?

If you want Templary to survive through the next century, **you need to treat it with TLC (Tender Loving Care) now. "Grow Your Commandery."**

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Pennsylvania's 200-year Anniversary Stein Benefits Knights Templar Eye Foundation



The Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania is celebrating its 200th anniversary, and to commemorate this event they have manufactured a beautiful Chapter stein. This stein is 7" high, has a white ceramic body that holds a 20-oz. liquid measure, and has a pewter lid with a special insert on the lid. The stein has eight different colors and is outlined in 22c gold. It is a limited edition of 3,000 pieces. The price for the stein is \$48.50, which includes shipping and handling for Pennsylvania.

Out-of-state orders please add \$15.00 for additional shipping costs. If you are ordering stems, please state that you saw this ad in the *Knight Templar* magazine, and \$1.00 will be donated to the KTEF for each stein purchased. Delivery is about four weeks from the time you mail your order. If interested, please send check or money order payable to: Stanley C. Buz and mail to P.O. Box 702, Whitehall, PA 18052. Phone: (610) 837-9429.

History of the Grand Encampment

CHAPTER XXIV BIOGRAPHIES OF NOTED KNIGHTS TEMPLAR (continued)

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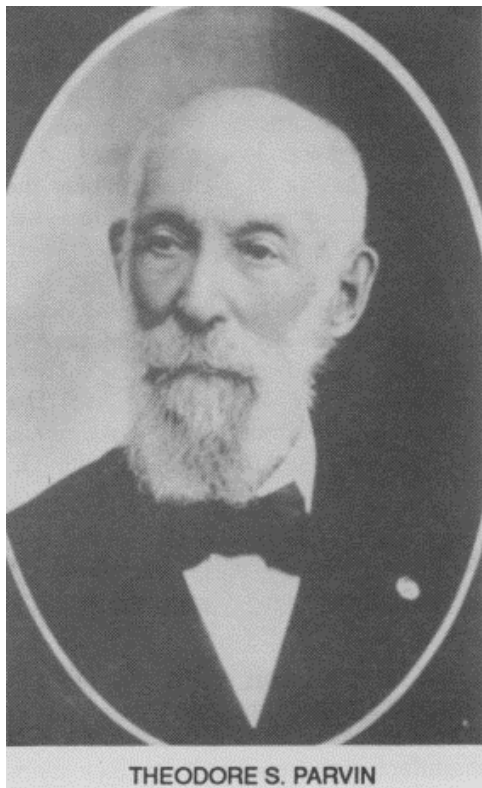
It is not known where he received the Orders of Knighthood, but after moving to Baltimore he affiliated with Maryland Commandery No. 1 in 1837. When this Commandery was reorganized in 1848, he was elected Eminent Commander. He served in this office again in 1855, 1857 and 1858. In 1835 he attended the Sixth Conclave of the General Grand Encampment and was elected General Grand Recorder, serving in that office until 1850.

Theodore S. Parvin

Theodore S. Parvin was born in Cedarville, New Jersey, on January 15, 1817. In 1829 the family moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he completed his education in the public schools and studied law. He was admitted to practice law in 1837.

In 1838 he met General Robert Lucas, former governor of Ohio, who had been appointed the first Governor of Iowa Territory by President Van Buren. He invited young Parvin to accompany him to Iowa where he became his private secretary. In 1838 he was appointed Librarian for the Territorial Library. Next year he was appointed District Attorney for the Middle District of Iowa. In 1847 he became Clerk of the United States District Court and held that office until 1857 when he was appointed Registrar of the State Land Office. In 1859 he retired from that office and became Trustee for the Iowa State University.

In May, 1843, Parvin married Miss Agnes McCully. They had three sons and one daughter. He passed away at his home in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on June 28, 1901.



Sir Knight Parvin was Raised in Nova Caesarea Harmony Lodge No. 2 at Cincinnati, Ohio, on March 14, 1838. After moving to Iowa he participated in the organization of the first Lodge of Iowa, Des Moines No. 1, in 1840. He assisted in founding Iowa Lodge No. 2 at Muscatine, Iowa, in 1841 and served as its Worshipful Master. He was a delegate to the Convention which organized the Grand Lodge of Iowa in 1844 and was Grand Secretary, which office he held continuously to the time of his death except for one year, 1852-53, when he served as Grand Master.

He was Exalted in Iowa Chapter No. 2 on January 2, 1845. He was elected Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Iowa in 1854.

He was Greeted in Dubuque Council No. 3 on September 27, 1847, and served as Grand Master of the Grand Council of Iowa in 1860.

In the Scottish Rite he was crowned a Sovereign Grand Inspector General in 1859, and was Deputy for the Supreme Council for Iowa until his death in 1901.

He was Knighted in Apollo Commandery No. 1 at Chicago, Illinois, on January 10, 1855. He was the first Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Iowa in 1864 and served again in 1865. He attended the Conclave of the Grand Encampment held in Columbus, Ohio, in 1868 as the representative of the Grand Commandery of Iowa. At the next Triennial Conclave in 1871, he was elected Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment, which office he held until 1886.

Sir Knight Parvin was a devoted Christian, a true gentleman, a sincere friend, a man of honor, a ripe scholar and a zealous Mason. He was a close friend of Albert Pike, and like him gave much to the Masonic Fraternity. His greatest accomplishment was the founding and completion of the Iowa Masonic Library at Cedar Rapids, which is now one of the largest and most outstanding Masonic libraries in the world. It is a monument of his great service to Freemasonry.

Adrian Hamersly

Adrian Hamersly was born at Clear Spring, Jackson County, Indiana, on March 18, 1876. Shortly thereafter the family moved to Washington, Indiana, where he attended the public schools and Washington High School. After his graduation he was employed by his brother in a general mercantile business. Later he took a position with an insurance agency becoming a partner and finally sole owner. He continued in the real estate, general insurance and security business until 1913 when he moved to Indianapolis. There he engaged in a



similar business until May, 1924, when he was appointed Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment.

Sir Knight Hamersly married Miss Alice Taylor in Washington, Indiana, on October 22, 1902. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis.

On February 19, 1947, while in a conference with the Grand Master he had a heart attack and died almost instantly. The funeral services were held on February 21st in Indianapolis and were conducted by the Reverend Doctor George A. Frantz, pastor of his church. There was an escort of Sir Knights from Washington Commandery No. 33 of Washington, Indiana. A number of the officers of the Grand Encampment were present.

The Templar's Dream

by Virginia A. Edwards

A Templar Knight of noble deed
was summoned by his holy creed,
to fight for Christ and plant His seed,
for those who pierced His heart to bleed.
The splendid Savior's name would rise,
as rightful King in pagan eyes.
Oh that would be his greatest prize,
for that one man should gladly die!

His stallion white was armored well,
the gallant night would vanquish hell.
To conquer where his foes did dwell,
he swore their pride would soon be felled.
His Lord the victor of the world,
the unbelievers would be hurled.
So help him if he fought alone,
to capture rightly Land and Home,
for on that Knight God's Light had shown.

That valiant knight soon from his quest,
his tired bones then sought some rest.
He knew his sleep would thus be
blessed,
for safe was he in battle dressed.
With sword in sheath, and shield aside
he laid to rest his Christian pride.
Beneath an Olive tree he knelt,
and in God's name he freed his cry:
"My Lord I simply can not go
by weariness and fear,
I think it best to close my eyes
until my strength is here."

Now madness settled rather fast,
imbuing him with dream. Upon a city oe'r the
hills, the Lord shown down His Beam.
The knight could see from distance great, in
darkness oe'r the land, A brilliant cross that
burnished bright, and holding it a hand.

How small it was beneath the stars
that lit the cobalt skies.
He strained to focus on its shape,
and it vanished from his eyes.
With that our brave knight shook his head,
and nodded from his dream.
He splashed upon his sweating brow,
some water from a stream.

Inspired evermore was he
to crush the infidel,
who cursed the precious Land of Christ
with foreign tongue and spell.
He reached the mighty City gate,
and galloped in with storm.
The unbelievers froze in place,
by his swiftly iron form.

"I've come here in the name of Christ,
to save His sacred Land!",
and from his breast plate pulled a cross that
glistened in his hand.
Then by his solo fighting band, he
swung his sword in efforts grand. But
the flashing blade was soon oppressed,
and our valiant Knight in chain mail
dressed met his Sainthood by his
actions blessed. For he died with
arrows in his chest.

No cry of anguish fled his lips, nor gasp
of rasping breath. For the cross of
Christ that won his life, had saved him
from true Death.

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What Is a Masonic Apprenticeship?

by Sir Knight Wayne T. Adams

If we want our newly Raised candidates to take an active part in Lodge life, we need at least to give them an introduction to Masonry. Ritual alone, no matter how well done, is not going to make a knowledgeable Mason or an active Lodge member. If we want a man who believes in Masonry, a man who is an active Lodge member, we have to take the time to show, to teach, to guide that new Mason to a clearer understanding of the tenets of his profession as a Mason. In short, we cannot just Raise a candidate and then drop him.

We have to start by making sure that we, ourselves, have a positive attitude. Masonry has much to offer. It has been a source of wisdom and personal satisfaction to millions of good men. Its principles and its benefits are as valuable and as timely today as they ever have been. Still, this question confronts us: Why are not more young men today interested in joining and participating in our Fraternity? I believe the answer, in large part, is that we fail to present Masonry in ways that appeal to a younger generation of men.

The men we want are activity oriented. We want the men who would rather to do something than be something.

Let us look at some of the community activities which compete for young men's time. Service clubs are growing. They explain to men their community projects and how they raise money to fund them. They are able to show a committed group of people doing something to make a

positive impact on their communities. Public safety groups, such as fire companies and rescue squads, are growing. They show young people the scope of their activity. They demonstrate their equipment and their training programs, and they show a committed group of members intent on doing something to improve their skills. Social clubs, usually centered around sports such as golf, tennis, hunting or fishing, have no trouble maintaining membership. They are able to show interested people their facilities, their schedule of events, and their activities. They are able to show a group of people who are passionate about their sport and about doing something to improve their performance.

The success of these organizations gives us a clue. It tells us what appeals to good men today. They want to do something. They want to become more effective in what they do. They want to be involved with others, to be part of an effort, and to share goals.

Now, let us look at Masonry. What can Masonry offer? We can start with brotherly love, relief and truth. The elements of brotherly love are our perfect points: the obligation to go out of our way to serve a worthy Brother; the obligation to be ever mindful of the Brother in our meditations; the obligation to keep a confidence; the obligation to help a Brother and to protect his good name; and finally, the obligation to warn a worthy Brother of an approaching danger. We offer this bond to a man who is willing to reciprocate.

Relief need not be material relief. It can be a helping hand or an understanding ear, a favor or a word of encouragement. The underlying commitment is a willingness to help another Mason or his family with the same level of concern that a man might show to his own brother. We can offer this commitment to a man who is willing to reciprocate.

Truth is a value and a measure of the values we are committed to. Each of the three degrees of symbolic Masonry teaches by precept, allegory and symbol the virtues of fidelity, temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice, all of which we hold to be true - true today, true yesterday, and true tomorrow. We are willing to share the legends and the allegories and symbols which illustrate them with men who are willing to commit themselves to the virtues they represent.

Brotherly love, relief and truth require personal activity and commitment. We have to do something to put them into practice. Masonry can provide men with an opportunity to do something to improve themselves in pursuit of those truths.

Let us look at ourselves in practice. Is our emphasis on just being a member or on thinking and acting as a Mason? Do we try to create new members, or do we try to show a man how he can live Masonry? The answer, of course, varies from Lodge to Lodge. A Lodge which wants to attract young men today needs to offer them an opportunity to do something which will give them personal satisfaction. Sadly, many of our Lodges offer a new Mason little or nothing to do unless he is interested in taking part in ritual work.

Our own legends teach us that ancient apprentices and fellowcrafts learned to improve their skills under the guidance and tutelage of Masters. That was true in operative Masonry. It can become true in speculative Masonry. We should not permit a candidate simply to "take" three degrees. We should demonstrate to him

that the tenets of his profession as a Freemason offer him a way of thinking and a way of living.

Fine words you may say. Fine and high sounding words. But, just how would you go about instructing a candidate on Masonry as a way of thinking and a way of living. I suggest a twelve-point apprenticeship plan to get new members involved, to give them something to do, twelve points which are closely related to the tenets of our profession as Freemasons.

Let us first consider **Brotherly Love**. The candidate must get to know his new Brothers. Here is what a presiding Master can do:

Task 1.

Make sure the candidate's sponsor introduces him to everyone present the night he is initiated. I have seen a candidate prepared for his degree sitting alone in a room where a whole group of Masons were chatting with each other, none of whom had been introduced to him or had taken the time to introduce themselves to him.

Task 2.

Request the candidate and his sponsor to be greeters at the door the night of his second and third degrees. This is a good opportunity for him to speak to the members he met earlier and to meet additional members who are attending that evening.

Task 3.

Invite the candidate to help out on the first three suppers following his initiation. Remember, he sought membership because he wanted to do something. Involving him in the work of the Lodge will make him begin to feel a part of it.

Now, let us look at Relief. Each new Mason needs to learn firsthand some of the aspects of Masonic relief and caring.

Task 4.

Invite the new Mason to work on the first special ladies' night following his initiation and see that he personally meets several of them.

Task 5.

Include the new Mason on the team delivering flowers or baskets or whatever the Lodge may do for widows and elder Brothers during the holiday season.

Task 6.

Invite him to accompany the Master on a visit to a hospitalized Brother or to a Brother who is shut in.

Task 7.

Request him to attend the first two Masonic Memorial Services following his initiation to witness the concern our Fraternity feels for the family of a departed Brother.

Our third tenet is Truth. The candidate should be told that he is expected to obtain a basic familiarity with the legends and symbols which illustrate truths we value.

Task 8.

Make sure the candidate has the benefit of the four instructional sessions outlined in our Instructor's Manual. We seriously shortchange a man if we make him a member of our Lodge but fail to give him a basic familiarity with the ritual which is at the heart of our Fraternity.

Task 9.

See to it that the candidate visits another Lodge three times as he progresses through his degrees, each time to witness the degree he has just taken. This will give him a better understanding of the degree he has just taken. It will also show him that he is part of a wider Fraternity, one that he can take with him wherever he goes. It goes without saying that he ought to be accompanied by his sponsor or Brothers he knows well.

Task 10.

Invite the new Mason to take a non-speaking chair within a month or two after he is Raised either for a degree or simply for a stated meeting. He may never want to do it again, but it is important for him to do it at least once and have the opportunity to feel he is a part of that ritual.

Task 11.

Arrange for the candidate to give his third degree lesson either along or with other recent candidates within the prescribed time. The rule, after all, is ours. We have many, many new Masons who feel that they have failed to do something they should do. They haven't failed. We have failed when we tell them they are expected to do something and then never follow up.

Brotherly love, relief and truth are the tenets of our profession as Freemasons. There is another characteristic of Masons that is as old as the history of our country. Every community in this country is a better place to live because of the public spirited Masons, who, in hundreds of ways, keep their communities and this country going. They contribute as volunteer firemen, rescue squad members, little league coaches, church deacons and Sunday school teachers, as members of boards of hospitals and libraries and in countless other ways. Masons are the bedrock of every community in this country.

Task 12.

Tell each new Mason, if he has not already done so, that we would like to see him identify one civic, community or church endeavor where he could carry into his community some of the lessons he has learned in his Lodge.

Twelve points. We should tell a man who indicates an interest in Freemasonry what he would be expected to do in becoming a member. We might give him a pamphlet describing this apprenticeship plan so that he will understand in advance what it is, why we are asking him to do it, and how it will benefit him. Such a commitment might discourage a few do-nothing types who simply want to be known as Masons. I am convinced that men who want to do something are attracted to membership in organizations which clearly state their principles, which ask them to make a commitment, and which relate those principles to a specific plan of activity for them. Any presiding Master can do a great service to Masonry, to his Lodge, and to his candidates if he will just give them something to do.

We have the greatest Fraternity in the world, founded on the noblest of principles. But let us never forget that it is not enough simply to make a man a member. Our Fraternity will grow as an influence for good, our Lodges will prosper, and our members will grow as good men and Masons only if we focus our thoughts and efforts and the thoughts and efforts of our candidates on Masonry as a way of thinking and a way of living in which brotherhood is the vehicle, the mission, and the goal.

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New York Commandery's Fund-Raising Activity

On Wednesday, November 22, 1995, Rome Commandery No. 45, Rome, New York, sponsored a fund-raising activity for Knights Templar charities. Rome Commandery and the Oneida Civic Center co-sponsored the Glen Miller Orchestra. The orchestra played all the tunes from the 1940s. There were approximately twenty members of the orchestra, and they played waltzes and several Latin numbers. The dancing began at 8:00 P.M. and continued until 12:30 A.M. Over 550 people attended the performance. The members of the Commandery, over thirty Sir Knights and their ladies, were dressed in uniform. The master of ceremonies was Sir Knight Louis Geers, Past Commander of Rome Commandery. Ronald J. Bertie, Grand Commander of the state of New York, was in attendance and spoke to the audience and welcomed them. The profits from the evening went to Knights Templar charities.

The picture shows Past Commander Louis Geers (left) introducing Grand Commander Ronald J. Bertie to the public. Watching is Larry O'Brien, leader of the Glen Miller Orchestra. Behind them, but not shown, was the Glen Miller Orchestra.



"Brighten the Corner Where You Are"

by Dr. Stephen R. Greenberg, KYCH, 33⁰

In words expressed in this beautiful old hymn, all men are enjoined to do something to refine themselves and so increase their commitment to humanity.

Our Gentle Craft is continuing to suffer losses in membership. Many concerns have been voiced and divers thoughts have been brought forward recommending ways to reverse this alarming trend. Changes and abbreviations in matters of ritual, as well as alternative admission procedures designed to bring Masonry into accord with our busy modern-day society, have been proposed in attempts to attract prospective fraternal candidates. Other overtures that would draw the Mason's family into lodge interests and the inclusion of programs which encompass speakers of note and stirring entertainment are currently enjoying success in this regard.

There is yet another facet of fraternal life that should be addressed in fuller measure: the refurbishing of the physical environment in and around our Masonic buildings. As we would wish to invite our friends into our own neat, well-maintained homes and into a clean, inviting atmosphere that radiates friendship and love, so should we feel the same about our Masonic homes.

This may appear to constitute but a paltry part in the solution of a major problem, but attention to this may go far in the direction of attracting and retaining members and their families in a close circle of friendship and service.

When candidates are introduced into a fresh, new environment - a new way of life - we want to be justifiably proud of our beloved Craft. We desire our Masonic home to be inviting, a place which says to each and every new Brother, "Welcome; please return to us and bring your loved ones." How pleasant it is when these new members do return in the same spirit of hospitality.

Many Masonic Temples across our land reflect the ideas of unspoiled beauty, so inculcated into our lessons. Beautiful edifices have been erected, but this is not, of itself, as crucial as is the institution of a simple, well-constructed building, albeit plain in design. The appointment of a Brother to oversee the proper maintenance of the physical property is a significant step in this direction. It will present for him, at once, a challenge and a source of continuing satisfaction, for he is doing something positive to advance the Craft in the eyes of all.

Though we can do much to amend the environment within our Masonic homes, we cannot always achieve such amendments in Masons. If we give our members a bright, modern edifice that reflects, in some fashion, the concepts which our ritual should inspire in each of us, perhaps a positive change will appear among the Brethren.

Although some of our Temples are aged materially and now stand in need of major repair, it is anticipated that with interest and hands-on endeavor, such an edifice can be restored to its intended purposes.

The proper attention to care and upkeep of all equipment employed in the conferral of the symbolic degrees should also be addressed. All of these warrant attention, not only for the symbolic lodges but also for the appendant bodies that might meet in the same buildings. The members of these organizations must, likewise, assume an attitude of pride and assurance in their equipment, uniforms and surroundings. As all of York Rite Masonry glows with honor, so will our image glow before the world, and new members will join our ranks.

Archbishop William Temple in 1889 penned these words, "The Lord let the house of a brute to the soul of a man, And the man

said, 'am I your debtor?' And the Lord - 'Not yet; but make it as clean as you can, And then I will let you a better.'"

What is declared by this clergyman is best summed up by the Biblical injunction that cleanliness is next to Godliness, a modern message written to us over 3,000 years ago.

Sir Knight Stephen R Greenberg is a Past Commander of Mizpah Commandery No. 53 in Oak Lawn, Illinois, and an affiliate Past Commander of St. Bernard Commandery No. 35 in Chicago, Illinois. He is chairman of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation of the Grand Commandery of Illinois. He resides at 418 Huron Street, Park Forest, Illinois 60466

First Official Visit Of Supreme Worthy President, S.O.O.B.

Immediately following the Supreme Assembly of the Social Order of the Beauceant in Billings, Montana, Mrs. Howard L. McClure, newly elected Supreme Worthy President, made her first official visit to Billings Assembly No. 194. The visitors included fourteen Supreme officers in addition to Mrs. McClure and twelve Past Supreme Worthy Presidents and also a large number of members from the 147 Assemblies across thirty-five states.



S.O.O.B. Supreme officers, '95-'96, visiting Billings Assembly No. 194, Sept. 30, 1995. Mrs. Howard McClure, front row, center.



S.O.O.B. Past Supreme Worthy Presidents at official visit of Mrs. Howard McClure at Assembly No. 194 in Billings, Montana.



New Masonic Center, Billings, Montana, home of Billings Assembly No. 194.

Newsfront...

New Mexico Templar Feeds The Bear!

The Potentate of New Mexico's Ballut Abyad Shrine Temple didn't know feeding the bears would be one of his many duties *after* taking office, but Sir Knight Thomas (Tom) Detrow rose to the occasion. Seen in the center ring of the George Cardin Shrine Circus held in Albuquerque are: the bear and Sir Knight Tom Detrow. (Photo by Brother John Denslow.)



Maryland Sir Knights Attend Grand Commandery Of Pennsylvania's Memorial Service



The picture shows Maryland Sir Knights before Pennsylvania's Brother to Brother Memorial. Left to right are: front row: Harry Miller, Carl Cicchetti, Steve Poazillo III; and back row: Charles Wagner, Robert Foreman, Ronald Aughenbaugh, Keith Brown, Richard P. Naegele. Present but not pictured were: Calvin Parker, Pennell Jester, Howard Roe, James Coker, Thomas Heimifler

Idaho's Most Worshipful Grand Master Visits M.W. Wood DeMolay Chapter

On November 29, 1995, M.W. Grand Master Greg Winther visited the M.W. Wood DeMolay Chapter in Boise. The Chapter honored the Grand Master's visitation by naming the evening's DeMolay degree ceremony after him. Participants and principal attendees included, left to right: Eric Bollar, Senior Councilor; Jesse Laduke, Master Councilor; Ralph Nichol, Advisory Council Chairman; Mike Pearson, State Master Councilor; Greg Winther, M.W. Grand Master of Masons in Idaho; Jack Christensen, Executive Officer, Idaho DeMolay; Jim McCue, Junior Councilor; and Dusty Kruitbosch, DeMolay candidate.



Kentucky Past Grands Are "Colorful" Color Guard



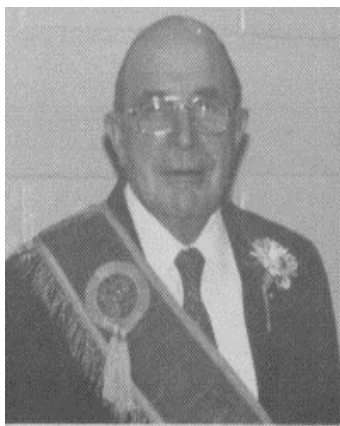
Three Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky, who are also members of National Sojourners and the Heroes of '76, were the color guard at the York Rite Grand Banquet in September 1995 at Louisville, Kentucky.

Christmas Observance Continues In Pennsylvania

A Christmas Observance and breakfast started by Sir Knight Paul C. Rodenhauser, H.P.G.M. and P.G.C. of PA when he was Commander of Cyrene Commandery No. 34, Columbia, in the early 1960s has continued annually. Seventy persons attended on December 10, 1995, including six Grand Commandery officers



Vermont Freemason Elected National Grange Master



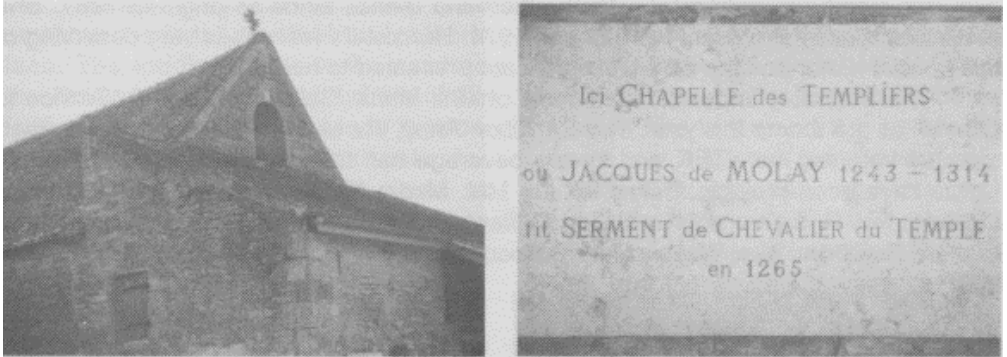
Sir Knight Kermit Welch Richardson has been elected National Grange Master at the annual session of the organization known as the Patrons of Husbandry at Harrisburg on November 19, 1995. He is the first Vermonter elected since its founding in 1867.

Sir Knight Richardson was born October 20, 1929, graduated from Bradford Academy in 1947. He joined Riverside Grange No. 455 in 1943.

After holding local and state offices, he was elected National Chaplain, 1971-75; National Lecturer, 1975-85, and National Overseer, 1985. In 1991 he was elected Chairman of the National Grange Executive Committee. Sir Knight Richardson was Raised a Master Mason in Minerva Lodge No. 86, East Corinth, and is a member of Mt. Lebanon Chapter No. 13, Bradford, and Barre Council No. 22 and St. Aldemar Commandery No. 11 in Barre.

Chapel of Jacques de Molay, 1243-1314

Past Grand Master Ned E. Dull shares information he received from Brother Xavier C. Larretgere of the Grande Loge Provinciale de Lutèce, Grande Loge Nationale Française (France). Brother Larretgere writes These pictures have been taken in the suburbs of the city of Beaune in Burgundy (capital of the famous red wine). The plaque says Here Chapel of Knights Templar where Jacques de Molay 1243-1314 took his oath as Knight of the Temple in 1265.' " He adds, This location is now near an abandoned farm tool-shop. What a pity..."



KTEF Golf Shirts, Sweatshirts And Jackets (The Color Is Purple)

Golf shirts, sweatshirts, and flannel lined windbreakers with the Knights Templar Eye Foundation logo embroidered in white are available for Sir Knights and their families who want to "Help Others to See." The golf shirt is 50/50 cotton/polyester jersey knit with fashion collar and ribbed cuffs. The flannel lined windbreakers are hip length. Any of these items would be a nice gift for that special person. **Net proceeds will benefit the KTEF and help reach the goal of \$2 million for the 28th Voluntary Campaign. Put a shirt on your back for your charity!**

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La Crosse Assembly No. 215, S.O.O.B., La Crosse, Wisconsin

Mrs. Arthur McBain, a Past President and present inner Guard of La Crosse Assembly No. 215, La Crosse, Wisconsin, was pleasantly surprised when Mrs. Howard McClure, S.W.P., during her visit to the Assembly, honored her for her outstanding service and dedication to her Assembly and to the Social Order of the Beauceant. Mrs. McBain, a twenty-eight-year member is eighty-five years of age and has been an active member even during her illness. She has continued to chair the annual Beauceant Christmas party for members, Sir Knights, their ladies and friends since its origin in 1981. She served as Worthy President in 1973 and 1974. Her sisters feel she is very deserving of this special honor and the beautiful certificate presented to her.

The assembly under the leadership of Mrs. Martin Gallaway has had Service to Others as the theme this year. The Salvation Army, the Mosher Veterans' Home, their adopted veteran, the KTEF, and saving beverage can tabs for the Ronald McDonald Home have been projects. Below left are Mrs. Martin Callaway, W.P., and Mrs. Arthur McBain, P.W.P. Below right are Mrs. Callaway, W.P., with the newest member Mrs. Richard Reilly and Mrs. Wesley Denny, Recorder.



Old Folks Are Worth a Fortune

Remember, old folks are worth a fortune, with silver in their hair, gold in their teeth, stones in their kidneys, lead in their feet, and gas in their stomachs.

I have become a little older since I saw you last and a few changes have come into my life since then. Frankly, I have become quite a frivolous old gal. I am seeing five gentlemen every day.

As soon as I wake up, Will Power helps me get out of bed. Then I go see John; then Charlie Horse comes along, and he takes a lot of my time and attention. When he leaves Arthur Ritis shows up and stays the rest of the day.

He doesn't like to stay in one place very long, so he takes me from joint to joint. After such a busy day, I'm really tired and glad to go to bed with Ben Gay.

What a life.

P.S. The preacher came to call the other day. He said at my age I should be thinking about the hereafter. I told him, oh, I do, all the time. No matter where I am, in the parlor, in the kitchen, or down in the basement, I ask myself, "What am I here after?"

Taken from *The Muezzin Call*, the publication of the Glenbrook Shrine Club, Glenbrook, IL

"Have a Seat Among the Brethren"

by Sir Knight Bobby J. Demott, 33⁰

From the moment of birth, people have the need to feel accepted; some may call it love: The newborn needs the touch of the mother's face. The toddler needs to be assured that the parent will return at the end of the work day. The adolescent needs to know that parents will be available for guidance. The newlyweds need to understand that the parent is ready to help if needed, and the folks in nursing homes need a show of being wanted.

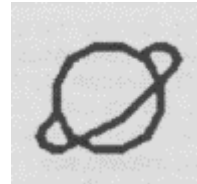
Boys in the streets form gangs in an effort to be accepted. College students join fraternities or sororities and have the good feeling of belonging to a group. At graduation time the cheers go up as people are accepted into the realm of productive society. Most people have strong motives to work and play together.

The young Mason is told to Have a seat among the Brethren," the simplest but most profound statement of acceptance in Masonry. Its significance is akin to saying "You have our approval; you are now a member and a Brother among us. You have made your vows to us, the same vows which we made toward you; there is now a bond between us, a bond stronger than any physical chains; you are now looked upon as the equal of any member, and we make a point of this by meeting on the level signifying that all are equal in the Lodge. You have a favorable reception, and we are in agreement that you should be one of us. You now have the working tools to push aside the superfluities of life and devote you energy, along with us, to those things which are meaningful and significant."

Acceptance denotes approval, warranty, a bond, security, and a pledge

for brotherhood. After such acceptance the person feels that he is a member, one of the group; he feels more highly of himself, has more self worth, and self esteem. Being a member in good standing he is now free to push on toward a goal in life, to a good life, which is a process, not a state of being. He is open to new experiences and has an increasing trust of his fellow man. He pushes aside his egocentric motive for higher and more noble society centered aspirations. He no longer thinks of only how he can benefit from his efforts, but how society in general can be improved by his works. He is now free to participate, a strong motivation in itself. With acceptance, the individual can feel free and able to progress with his own thoughts and ideas; to be creative. He is at ease, similar to the feeling of some persons when they join a church, or when a person returns to his native land, especially after military service overseas.

A simple "Have a seat among the Brethren" is as meaningful, significant, and poignant as the most elaborate and pompous graduation ceremony at a university.



Sir Knight Bobby J. Demon, 33⁰, is a member of Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 9, Knoxville, Tennessee, and lives at 3501 Equestrian Way, Knoxville, TN 37921.



Knight Voices

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To celebrate 200 years of Templary in Pennsylvania, the 144th Annual Conclave Committee is selling Knights Templar key fobs for a donation of \$125 each or \$1.00 each in quantities of ten or more. The key fobs are white with Cross and Crown emblem and "In Hoc Signo Vincas" printed in red. They measure 3 inches long and 2 inches wide with an one-inch, split key ring. Orders payable to 144th Conclave. Send to George Metz, 130 Springton Lake Road, Media, PA 19063-1826.

Temple Commandery No. 41 is selling baseball caps, white or black, with either "LAST WATCH" or "COME IN PEACE" for \$10.00 each. Each cap has "Knights Templar" stitched on the back and gold braid on the cap bill. Also available a white baseball cap with gold braid and a Knight on a horse with "COME IN PEACE" and "KNK3-ITS TEMPLAR" in red for \$15.00. Half of all profits will benefit KTEF. Call John Jones, (817) 780-2582 or write 15 Jessamine, Be/ton, TX 76513.

For sale: C.P.O. coats, poly-wool, summer weight; sizes 44 short, 44 X 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.

Wanted: Grand Triennial Proceedings for my Masonic library. Reverend Jan L. Baderstadt, PC.; 124 N. Chestnut Street; Sterling, MI 48659; (517) 654-2291.

Wanted: Knights Templar 1st and 2nd Holy Land Pilgrimage medallions. Write Masonicalia Society of Alberta; Box 4271, Station C; Calgary, Alberta; Canada T2T5N1.

Wanted: one used chapeau, size 7 5, with Silver head around cross. Reasonable price requested. Ross Price, 3129 Acth3 Dive, Carson City, WV 89706, (704) 862-4720.

For sale: long Commandery coat, medium, and feathered chapeau, 7 1/4. Belonged to deceased Commander Clyde Putnam. Helen Putnam, 1819 S.E. Locust, Portland, OR 97214, (503) 234-5989.

For sale: K.T. uniform, Eminent Commander's: coat, size 42; trousers, waist 39", with 39" belt; chapeau, size 7 1/4. All in good condition. All for \$150.00 postage paid in U.S.A. Call after 6:00 p.m., M.S.T. John F Wolf, (505) 675-212-2 or write HCR 65, Box 14; Crossroads; NM 88114.

For sale: Knights Templar 14K gold ring, approx. size, 10-11. This was a special, made-to-order for my husband who recently passed away. Helen Pendleton, (210) 935-2440, Canyon Lake, TX 78133.

I will buy or trade for Knights Templar belts, gold or silver. Condition of leather and lacing not important. Also old Malta Jewels, or officers' jewels, scabbards, and swords. FAX what you have to (317) 628-2598 or call (317) 628-7674 or write Simpson Jewelry & Uniforms, Inc., 327 E. Main Street, Greentown, LN 46936-1219.

Would like to communicate With anyone having possession or information about a K.T. sword with the name "E. LASSEN" engraved on it. This sword was my father's, and I would like very much to locate it. Raymond Lassen, 1201 Avenue WNW, Chi/dress, TX 79201-2727, (817) 937-3720.

Shrine Amateur Radio Association, a unit of the Florida Shrine Association: for information: Gerry Skinner, K4LVZ, phone: (407) 679-4244; 3311 Ellwood Ct., Winter Park, FL 32792 or Jerry Deustther, K04UW, phone: (941) 472-5130 or Har* Wells, W1TNE, phone: (407) 727-1371 or join us on the Shrine Net which meets each Sunday @ 1:30 p.m. on 7236KHz.

Anthony Lodge No. 455, F. & AM., of Springfield, Ohio, has a limited supply of 125th anniversary coins at \$5.00 each, postage and handling included. Check or money order payable to Anthony Lodge No. 455 and mail to Robert M. Foster, Sec.; 3027 Armsgate Road; Springfield; OH 45503.

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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. I Will answer all letters. Maurice Stork, Sr.; 775 W. Roger Rd., No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (520) 888-7585.

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For sale: Encyclopedia of Free Masonry, Vol. I, 455 pages, and Vol. II, 456-913 pages, by Albert G. Mackey and Charles T., McClenachan, published by Masonic History Company, Chicago, New York, London, 1924. In good condition. \$150.00 plus shipping. Edward C. Elliott 511 Arlee Way, Augusta Georgia 30909, (706) 738-2.

Found at Meridian Sun Lodge No. 50, Athens, TN, o/a June 6, 1995, a Rolex watch, If this is your watch, please contact Errol L. Evans, 209 County Road 29, Riceville, TN 37370. (423) 336-3502.

