

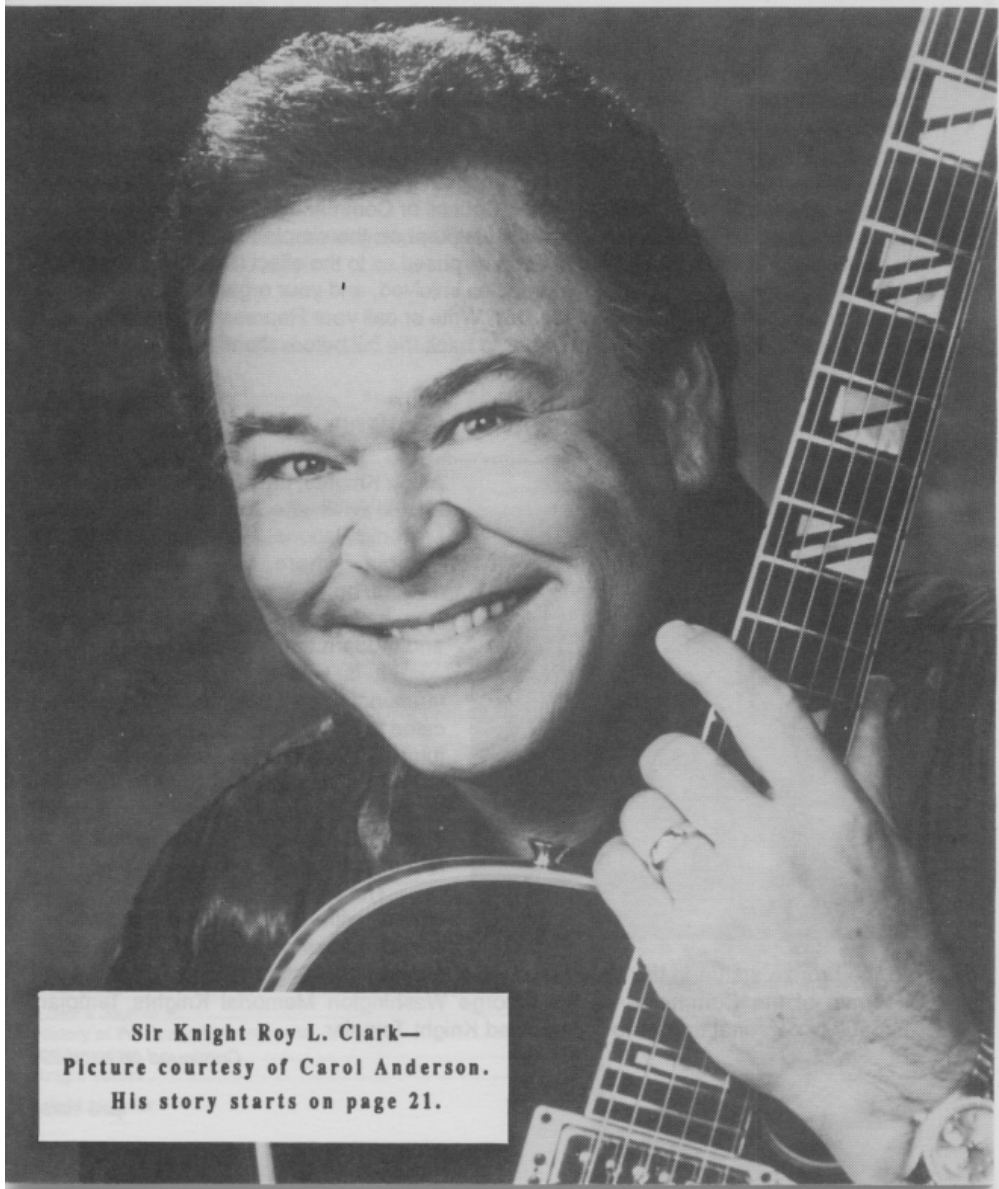


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Sir Knight Roy L. Clark—
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Message from Grand Master Mayford June 1996

Let's Get Together

At the end of the month of June, most of our Lodges, Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies go dark for sixty long days until September. It seems as though some of our Masonic orders never quite recover from this deserved respite from Masonic business.

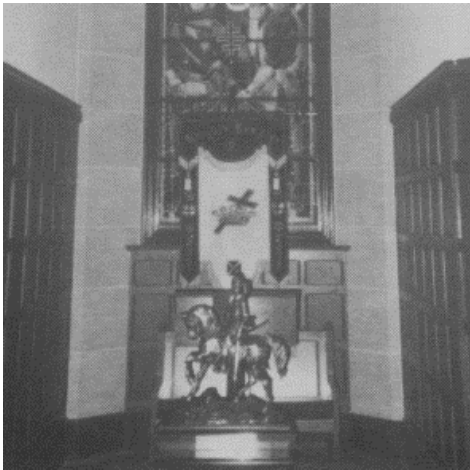
I have been thinking of a partial solution for this dilemma for several years. Why not get the families of all of Masonry involved in a summer filled with barbecues, picnics, short trips on weekends to favorite vacation spots in your home state? Get to know each other and make many new friends in an order filled with respect and love for each other. You might

want to start this venture with some kind of a get-together for your officers. It could be expanded to the balance of your Lodge, Chapter, Council or Commandery. It need not be elaborate; in fact it would be more successful if just kept on the simple side to accommodate the sociability that could result. You may be surprised as to the effect it could have on your local organization. Sir Knights, get your ladies involved, and your organization will grow.

Don't forget that June 14 is Flag Day. Write or call your Representative or Senator in Congress and impress upon him or her to back the bill before them to uphold the protection of our national emblem.



Bronze Statue In Chapel



All Sir Knights, their families, and friends should visit the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, where the Bronze Statue depicts, on its base, the names of those who have served Templary in ancient and modern times as Grand Masters.

It is well worth the visit to this memorial to visit this shrine that is dedicated to all Sir Knights past, present and future who have served and will serve the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. Also, the Lead Crystal Vase of the 10th Crusade sits on the altar as a further memorial to our ancient past.

The picture of the altar area of the chapel, with the Grand Standard of the Grand Encampment behind the altar and

the bronze statue in the foreground, was taken by Sir Knight Robert D. McMarlin, Chairman of the Committee on the George Washington Memorial Knights Templar Chapel. My personal thanks to a dedicated Knight Templar.

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

JUNE: The 28th Voluntary Campaign has ended, and there are many to thank. On page 8 Chairman Garnes has a last note on this great humanitarian endeavor. Grand Master Mayford welcomes all Sir Knights to summer with some ideas that could make it Masonically "cool." Read his interesting comments starting on page 2. We have stories about two Brothers: Brother Arnold and Sir Knight Clark. That their tales are in our June issue is about all they have in common. Start a drill team this summer: See the message from the Committee on page 24.

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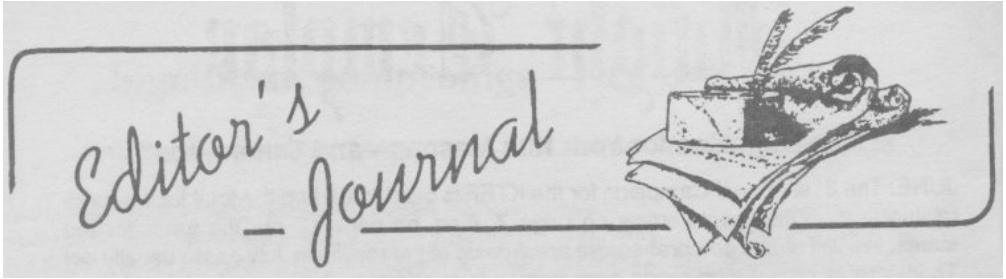
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Attention: all Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be in office as Grand Commanders on November 1, 1996; or Grand Recorders: in the upcoming November Issue, Knight Templar magazine will again present pictures of those Sir Knights who are Grand Commanders on November 1. Please provide us with a photograph of yourself In uniform by September 10. If your installation will be In late September or October, order your photo NOW or it will arrive too late for inclusion in the November issue.

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

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

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 Widows 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. Older 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. There are 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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Easter Revisited

by Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin, H.P.D.C.,
General Chairman, Committee on the Easter Memorial Sunrise Service

It was really a great Easter. While rain, cold and worse were in all the predictions, and certainly concerned everyone, in the event it was nowhere near as dire. Chilly, yes; but DRY!

Activities began with attendance at the Maundy Thursday observance with the District of Columbia Scottish Rite Bodies. Saint Simeon Stylites Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine hosted Good Friday breakfast for members and we were all very pleased to have Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign William E. Yeager, Jr., in attendance.

The second annual Saturday Luncheon turned out very well. The fellowship and brotherhood everyone enjoyed was most evident from the loud din of happy conversation among people who had not seen each other for some time, or who were making a trip together, or who were just happy to be among friends. Following the luncheon, two additions to the Knight Templar Chapel room in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial were dedicated by the Grand Master, Grand Prelate, and Chairman of the Chapel Committee, Sir Knight Robert D. McMarlin, R.E.P.G.C. of Virginia. These included a miniature Knight Templar astride a charger which has the names of the Grand Masters of the original Order of Knights Templar as well as those of the modern Masonic Order, and a beautiful lead crystal vase commemorating the pilgrimages of the 10th Crusade which was conceived in the current triennium by our Most Eminent Grand Master, Sir Knight Blair Christy Maylord. A handsome certificate was provided to each person attending.



The dedication was undertaken at the luncheon because sufficient space does not exist to do so in the Chapel itself.

We had a significant number of delegation dinners on Saturday evening set up by the delegations themselves at locations of their own choosing. Then everyone hustled off to bed for the night made shorter by the semi-annual time change - nobody appreciated that one!

At the service itself, all the elected Grand Encampment officers of the progressive line were present with their wives and in some cases their children, viz: Sir Knight Blair Christy Mayford (MO), Most Eminent Grand Master; Sir Knight James Morris Ward (MS), Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master; Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Knight Kenneth Bernard Fischer, Right Eminent Grand Captain General; as well as Sir Knight Charles Richard Neumann, Right Eminent Grand Recorder.

Three of our six Past Grand Masters were present: Sir Knight Ned E. Dull, Sir Knight Donald H. Smith, and Sir Knight Marvin E. Fowler.

Six of the seven Right Eminent Department Commanders were present; Sir Knight John O. Bond, Northeastern Department; Sir Knight David L. Hargett, Southeastern Department; Sir Knight Russell P. Livermore, Jr., East Central Department; Sir Knight Jerry K. Thomas, North Central Department; Sir Knight Ernest I. Toter, Northwestern Department; and Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, Southwestern Department.

There were an even twenty Right Eminent Grand Commanders present at the service, and they are listed at the conclusion of this article. That's perilously close to 50% of our Grand Commanders - a really fine showing! Included was Sir Knight Glenn A. Siron of the Grand Commandery of the state of Washington - He gets the used Dewey button for traveling the farthest!!

The Grand Commandery of Ohio was recognized as having the largest contingent present at the Service with a total of 95 to 100 - it really doesn't matter; no one else was even close! The Grand Commandery recognized as having the greatest percentage of its members present at the Service went to the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia - a gallant band of Templars with a difficult mission performed admittedly under the circumstances of their location.

The service began with the traditional march down the north side of the Memorial past the stage area reviewing stand and into seats as guided by the DeMolays on hand for that purpose. Everyone thrills a little as we sing that *Easter favorite - Christ the Lord is Risen Today*. The Parade Marshal, Sir Knight Edward R. Saunders, Jr., R.E.P.D.C., got everyone seated when we were supposed to be so, and standing again appropriately when proper and including the necessary arms commands.

The appointed Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment for the current triennium was Sir Knight Reverend Thomas E. Weir, who passed away suddenly on Christmas last

year. He was replaced by Sir Knight Donald Hinslea Smith, M.E.P.G.M., who delivered a most meaningful message conveying the thought that Easter is meant not only to symbolize repentance but to signify renewal.

Sir Knight Richard Webb, Jr., sang *The Lord's Prayer* as he has done for so many years, and the entire affair concluded with the singing of our *National Anthem*.

Special thanks goes to the Kena and Almas Shrine Temples for the combined band which has preformed so well over the 66-year history of this great event. Equally as great thanks goes to those stalwart Templars who are out there Friday, Saturday, Easter Sunday, and Monday from the grand jurisdictions of Virginia, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, setting up the stage, benches, banners, and other impedimenta including the sound system. The permanent staff of the Memorial itself deserves special mention for all the work they do not only for the event itself but all throughout the year.

We all enjoyed a special innovation this year which featured Sir Knight Ken Fischer, R.E. Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment, on his bugle sounding Assembly and First Call - a lump in the throat for all the Old Soldiers present.

Another special feature was the presence of Brother Heath Shuler, quarterback for the Washington Redskins professional football team, at the breakfast, who is on his way to becoming a Knight Templar, and was kind enough to graciously sign all the autographs requested of him, and each with a brief, thoughtful note. He was most impressive. Thanks to Sir Knight Randy Flack of North Carolina for this highlight.

One other feature this year was the Grand Commandery of Indiana placing a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery on Friday afternoon.

Looking forward to next year, while we really appreciate the presence of the huge

delegation from Ohio, let's get one or two other Grand Commanderies to seriously challenge them for first place by dint of members attending!

At any rate, let's everyone do some serious thinking about next year and let's continue to build this event into a real highlight that will draw Templars from every corner of the nation!

My very special thanks to everyone concerned with the entire event from beginning to end, from the newest Sir Knight in the Northwest corner of the asylum to the Most Eminent Grand Master

who presides in the East. The great spirit of brotherhood permeating every aspect of this special holiday is what sets Masonry in general and the Templars in particular apart from all other human endeavors and really must be experienced in person to be fully understood and appreciated.

In the Army in the post-Vietnam era, after an operation, we try to make improvements by noting what is called "Lessons Learned." Let me, dryly, mention two: Bring an alarm clock - hotels do not flawlessly provide "wake-up" calls; and, secondly, always chock the bus schedule.

Right Eminent Grand Commanders Attending (arranged by jurisdictional seniority)

Edwin E. Fielder (MA/RI)
Ronald J. Bertie (NY)
Samuel B. Wells (VA)
Wendell H. Chaffee (VT)
Edward M. Yonker (NH)
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Robert L. Foreman (MD)
Archie E. Bennett (WV)
Charles E. Cathey (NC)
Glenn A. Siron (WA)
Paul E. Hockett (FL)
Marshall A. Gardner (DC)

Grand Commanderies with Delegations Present (arranged by Jurisdictional seniority)

Massachusetts/Rhode Island
Now York
Virginia
New Hampshire
Ohio
Maine
Pennsylvania
Indiana
Michigan

Illinois
New Jersey
Georgia
Missouri
Maryland
West Virginia
North Carolina
District of Columbia
Delaware

Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin, General Chairman of the Committee on the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service, P.G.C. of Virginia and P.D.O (honorary), is a member of Arlington Commandery No. 29, Arlington, Virginia, and resides at 5400 Bromyard Court, Burke, VA 22015

The 28th Voluntary Campaign... Thanks to All Who Care Enough To "Help Others to See"!



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

"Thank you" seems inadequate to say to the many Sir Knights, ladies, Masonic organizations, foundations, businesses, and individuals who contributed to the 28th Voluntary Campaign. We may not have reached our goal, but many of the Commanderies made a valiant effort in fundraising, and the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., thanks each and every one for his efforts on behalf of "this great humanitarian charity."

The 28th Voluntary Campaign ended April 30, 1996, but the need does not stop, and those in need still come to us for help. We must be able to continue to respond in a positive manner as has been our policy in the past. We must not forget that expenses continue and so we all still have the opportunity to contribute throughout the year.

Please consider the following for future giving:

- Make a donation in the memory of a friend or loved one.
- Make a donation in honor of a friend or loved one.
- Make a donation in memory of a Sir Knight in lieu of flowers.
- When making or revising a will, remember the KTEF. Even though you don't know when the bequest will go to the Foundation, you will be helping someone in need.
- Start planning for the 29th Voluntary Campaign, so you can exceed what you raised in the 28th Voluntary Campaign. (Medical costs continue to increase.)

Thanks is due to the following **Pennsylvania Lodges** who chose to support the 28th Voluntary Campaign:

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Remember: *Your Foundation can only be as helpful as your generosity will permit.*

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Benedict Arnold—Part II

Benedict Arnold's Treachery

Sir Knight C. Clark Julius, P.C., KTCH

One day in early September 1780, Joshua Smith mounted a horse at his country estate near Haverstraw, New York. He rode twelve miles north along the Hudson River to West Point. There Smith paid his respects to General Benedict Arnold, who had just been appointed by George Washington as commandant of the American fortress at West Point.

Smith greatly admired General Arnold's heroic exploits in the American Revolution, which was then in its sixth year. Smith had no way of knowing that Arnold had turned traitor to his country and was making arrangements to surrender West Point to the British enemy. The British had promised to pay Arnold twenty thousand British pounds if he would deliver the fort into their hands.

When Joshua Smith called on Benedict Arnold, the General was having trouble arranging a safe and secret meeting with his British contact, Major John André. It was necessary for the American General and the British Major to meet in order to plan the details of the surrender of West Point. Major André was stationed with the British army in New York City, fifty miles downstream from West Point. Neither Arnold nor André could risk being seen together in the dangerous territory between West Point and New York City, some of which was controlled by Americans, some by the British. At the time General Arnold met Smith, Arnold was looking for an emissary who could conduct André safely to a secret meeting with Arnold.

The General realized that Smith looked up to him as an almost legendary

American hero; Arnold wondered whether Smith might be the emissary he needed.

In the days following their first meeting, General Arnold cultivated Smith's friendship, welcoming Smith at West Point and visiting Smith's house at Haverstraw. Many of their conversations were about espionage, a subject in which Smith was deeply interested.

During his visits to Smith's home, Arnold noted that it was secluded and close to the river, an ideal site for a meeting with Major André.

Arnold believed that a ship could bring André up the Hudson River and safely anchor near Haverstraw. This section of the river was defended by neither the Americans nor the British. Under cover of night a boat could be rowed out to the ship, pick up André, and bring him ashore to meet with Arnold in Smith's house. After the meeting, but before dawn, André could be rowed back to the British ship, which would return him to New York City.

In order to carry out this plan, Arnold would need Smith's permission to use his house for the rendezvous with André. So that no one could overhear the discussion between Arnold and André, Arnold planned to ask Smith to arrange for his wife and children to be out of the house. Arnold also planned to make Smith responsible for rowing André from and to the anchored ship.

In Arnold's plan, Smith was an indispensable participant. Nevertheless, it was essential that Smith should never learn the true, traitorous purpose of the plan: to surrender West Point. In order to gain Smith's cooperation, Arnold would have to

convince Smith that the purpose of the operation was to benefit the American patriots. Smith, moreover, must never learn André's true identity as a major in the British army.

To arouse Smith's interest in the project and to conceal its treasonable purpose, General Arnold described it to Smith as an operation in military espionage, the subject which fascinated Smith. To conceal Major André's identity, Arnold gave the British

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major a fictitious name and a false occupation; General Arnold told Smith that a New York 'merchant' named 'John Anderson' was privy to British military secrets. Anderson was secretly an American sympathizer and wanted to divulge information about the British in a private interview with General Arnold. Anderson's information, the General told Smith, was vital and would be useful to the American forces.

General Arnold said that Anderson could come by ship to Haverstraw and be rowed ashore to meet with Arnold. The General asked Smith whether he would consent to the use of his home as a meeting place. Could Smith possibly arrange for his family to be away overnight? Finally, could Smith arrange to have a boat and oarsmen available to row Anderson from and then back to the ship?

When Smith heard the General's requests, the gentleman farmer was at first silent. Noting Smith's hesitation, General Arnold reminded Smith of the great service he would be performing for his country by providing it with vital information about

British plans. Smith could not resist this appeal to his patriotism by a man he considered an American hero.

Smith agreed to help the General meet with "Anderson."

After a British ship, the *Vulture*, anchored near Haverstraw, General Arnold sent a message to Smith, telling him to be ready to escort Anderson from the *Vulture* on the night of Thursday, September 21.

Smith arranged for his wife and children to visit friends for several days. He also enlisted the help of two able-bodied tenant farmers to row him to and from the *Vulture*.

General Arnold arrived alone at Smith's house during the evening of the twenty-first. When the two farmers met with General Arnold and learned that they were to row to the *Vulture* at night, they rebelled and refused to make the trip. General Arnold told the farmers that their mission was "for the good of the country." The farmers, however, asked again: why at night?

Losing his temper at the farmers' obstinacy, General Arnold threatened to arrest them if they did not make the trip to the *Vulture*. After a pause, Arnold offered to give them half a barrel of flour from the army commissary if they would undertake the rowing assignment. The farmers then gave in and agreed to carry out General Arnold's wishes.

After dark the rowboat set off in the direction of the *Vulture*, with Smith at the tiller and the two farmers at the oars. General Arnold waited on shore.

It was one o'clock in the morning when the farmers and Smith returned to shore with their silent passenger, Anderson.

General Arnold asked Smith to remain on the beach with the farmers and the rowboat, while the General and Anderson went off to Smith's house to confer. Smith was deeply disappointed at not being included in the conference.

Inside Smith's house, Arnold and Anderson conferred for several hours on the details of surrendering West Point to the



British. Outside, Smith, waiting in the dark on the shore of the river, saw the first light in the eastern sky. He went to his home, warned General Arnold about the approaching dawn, and reminded him of the need to get back to the *Vulture* before daybreak.

Despite Smith's warning, General Arnold and Anderson continued their private conference. At sunrise on Friday, September 22, the quiet of the morning was suddenly interrupted by the repeated booming of a cannon which American soldiers had dragged to the river and they were now firing at the *Vulture*. Although the American soldiers were under General Arnold's command, he was powerless to call off their attack on the *Vulture*.

The *Vulture's* crew manned the oars of lifeboats and towed the *Vulture* two and a half miles downstream, beyond the range of the American cannon.

The *Vulture* was now too distant from Smith's home to be reached by a boat being towed against the tide. With the *Vulture* out of reach, General Arnold and Smith discussed ways of getting Anderson back to New York City by way of land.

As Anderson listened to Arnold and Smith discussing possible routes to New York City, all of them fraught with danger,

he became increasingly apprehensive. He repeatedly expressed the wish that he could return by the route he had come, aboard the *Vulture*, but both Arnold and Smith asserted that this was impossible.

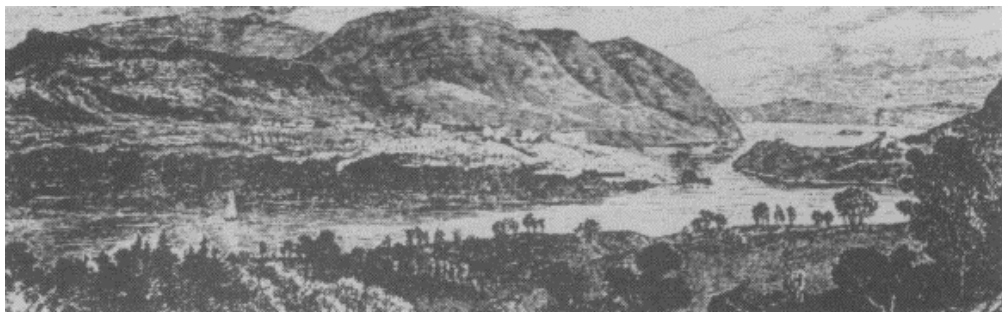
Now that it was morning and the day was getting warmer, Anderson removed his topcoat. Smith was startled to see that under his topcoat Anderson wore the red uniform of a British army officer. General Arnold explained to Smith that Anderson liked to deck himself out in costumes and had bought the uniform from a British officer. Smith accepted the General's explanation.

At ten o'clock that Friday morning, Arnold left for West Point, leaving Smith to solve the problem of Anderson's return to New York City. Smith decided that the best route would be overland on the opposite, eastern side of the river. Anderson had no choice but to allow Smith to determine his destiny.

Before beginning their journey Smith told Anderson that he must take off his British uniform; otherwise, they would never be able to pass through territory held by the Americans. Anderson removed his uniform and put on some of Smith's clothes. Early Friday afternoon Smith and Anderson mounted horses and began their journey. They took a ferry to the eastern shore of the Hudson River and then rode southward toward New York City.

With passes issued to them by General Arnold they had no trouble traversing territory held by the American army. They spent Friday night at the home of an acquaintance of Smith and were on the road again Saturday morning. When they passed beyond the region controlled by the Americans, Smith did not consider it safe for him to continue further. He parted from Anderson wishing him well, and headed homeward.

Several hours after Smith left him, Anderson was accosted by bandits who were patriotic Americans. Finding suspicious-looking documents on Anderson, including a detailed map of West Point, the bandits delivered him to the nearest



The American fort at West Point along the Hudson River.

American army post. After looking at the incriminating papers found on the suspect, the officers at the post sent a message to West Point informing General Arnold that a spy had been apprehended.

When the message was delivered to Arnold he knew that his plot to surrender West Point to the British had been discovered. He managed to make a quick escape by boat down the Hudson River to the anchored *Vulture*, where he found refuge with the British.

For three days after parting from 'John Anderson,' Joshua Smith knew nothing about the capture of a British spy, Major John André, nor did Smith know anything about General Arnold's treason and his flight to British protection.

Then, in the middle of the night, Tuesday, September 26, Smith and his wife were awakened by the crash of their bedroom door being broken down. Sitting up in bed, they found themselves surrounded by a contingent of American soldiers with fixed bayonets. Smith was informed that he was under arrest and was told to get dressed. None of the soldiers would tell him what crime he was charged with.

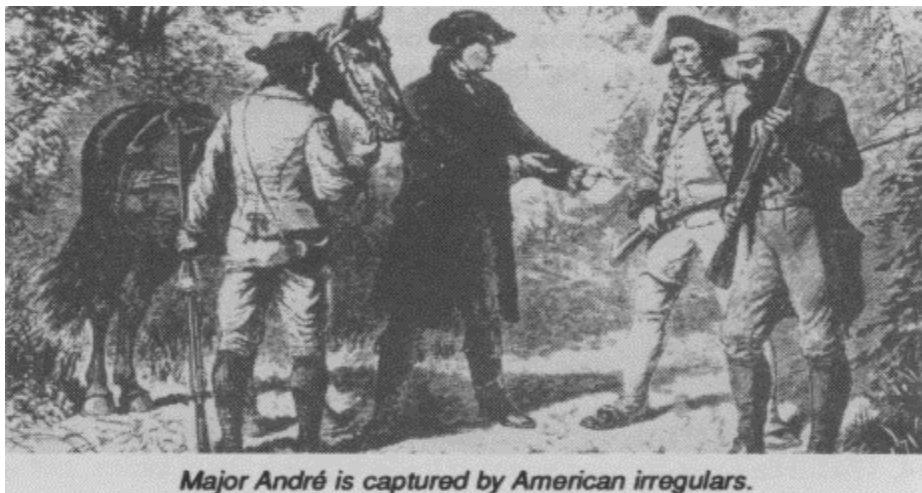
As Smith and his captors rode toward West Point on their horses, he protested loudly against the injustice to which he was being subjected. He told his captors that they would realize their error after they talked to General Arnold, who, Smith said, could vouch for Smith's innocence of any alleged crime.

Smith and his captors arrived at the commandant's house at West Point at eight o'clock in the morning. Smith was conducted to a room where he was confronted by five officers of the American army, including George Washington, Alexander Hamilton, and the Marquis de Lafayette. At first Smith was overawed by the fame of this tribunal, but he quickly regained his composure and demanded an explanation for the rude treatment he had been receiving.

Washington told him that he was charged with "the blackest treason against the United States" and that Washington was authorized by Congress to hang him immediately as a traitor.

Smith denied having committed any treasonable acts and stated that General Arnold could verify this fact. At the mention of Arnold's name, Washington exploded. "Sir," he said, "do you know that Arnold has fled and that Mr. Anderson, whom you piloted through our lines, proves to be Major John André, the Adjutant General of the British Army who is now our prisoner! I expect him here under guard of one hundred horses to meet his fate as a spy." Washington raised his arm and pointed to the branch of a tree outside a window. "Unless you make a full confession of your treasonable actions I shall suspend you both from that tree."

Washington told Smith that he knew Smith had conducted André from the British ship to Smith's house, where André and



Major André is captured by American irregulars.

Arnold had worked together on their nefarious plot. Washington said that he had every reason to believe Smith had been aware of the subject discussed by Arnold and André: the surrender of West Point. Once more Washington advised Smith, for his own safety, to tell everything he knew about the plot.

Smith stated that he had known absolutely nothing about the plot to surrender West Point, nor about Arnold's desertion, until a few minutes previously-when Washington himself had made Smith aware of these facts. Smith said that he had assisted General Arnold simply because he had believed that General Arnold was a true patriot.

Smith agreed to make a full and detailed statement about his recent dealings with Arnold. The five officers questioned him closely about each specific event.

Smith repeated that he had known nothing about a plot to surrender West Point. He had believed that Arnold wanted to meet with "Anderson" in order to obtain British military secrets from Anderson. Arnold had told Smith that these secrets would be extremely helpful to the American cause.

The part of Smith's testimony which was least credible to his five interrogators was his explanation of why he had gone aboard a British ship. Wasn't it unlikely, they asked him, that a British naval ship would cooperate in a project that would aid the American cause and weaken the British military efforts?

Yes, Smith had to admit, in retrospect it did seem improbable that the British navy would be helping American espionage. But at the time it had not struck him as strange, for two reasons: Smith had boarded the *Vulture* under a flag of truce, and, more important, he had had complete faith in General Arnold's patriotism. Smith said that he had been incapable of believing that General Arnold would have asked him to do anything which might have damaged the American cause.

Safe in New York City, General Arnold wrote a letter to George Washington assuring him that Smith had known nothing about the plot to surrender West Point, but Washington at this point had no reason to trust Arnold's veracity.

Major André was quickly tried, found guilty of spying, and hanged. Smith was tried by a court martial and found not guilty of treason, but George Washington was not convinced of Smith's innocence. Washington had Smith committed to a county jail ten miles from West Point, to await trial in a civilian court.

Believing that he would be convicted and hanged, Smith managed to escape from the jail. Dressed as a woman and accompanied by a guide, Smith made his way to British-occupied New York City.

When the Revolution ended with American victory in 1783, and the British armed forces evacuated New York City, Smith accompanied them to England.

In 1808 he published a book explaining his role in Arnold's plot to surrender West Point. Smith maintained that he had known absolutely nothing about the plot. Smith insisted that his chief motive in aiding General Arnold had been American patriotism.

Around 1810 Smith decided that it would be safe for him to move back to the United States. He continued to claim that he had been an innocent dupe in assisting

General Benedict Arnold in his traitorous rendezvous with Major John André. Smith died in 1818 at the age of sixty-nine, protesting his innocence to the end.

Sir Knight C. Clark Julius is a Past Commander of York-Gethsemane Commandery No. 21 of York, PA, and a holder of the Knights Templar Cross of Honor. He resides at 2260 Carlisle Road, York, PA 17404

From: William R. Denslow's *10,000 Famous Freemasons*

Benedict Arnold (1741-1801) America's most notorious traitor. b. Norwich, Conn., Jan. 14, 1741. His early life was spent in trade with the West Indies, but volunteered for service at the outbreak of the Revolution and with Ethan Allen *q.v.* captured Fort Ticonderoga on May 10, 1775. He was the leader of an unsuccessful campaign to capture Quebec in 1775, but as a brigadier general in 1776, stopped a British thrust from Canada down Lake Champlain. In 1777 as a major general he repulsed a British force in the Mohawk Valley and aided in forcing Burgoyne's surrender. While in Philadelphia (1778-79) as commander, he was court-martialed for irregularities and reprimanded by Washington (in kind words). It was here that he began treasonable correspondence with the British, and while in command at West Point (1780), he arranged to surrender that key position to the British. The plot was discovered by the capture of Major Andre on Sept. 23, and Arnold fled to the British. He was commissioned a brigadier general in the British army and received £6,315 in compensation for his property losses. He then led an expedition into Virginia which burned Richmond and made an attack on New London, Connecticut, in September 1781, returning to London in December of that year. Disappointed at the failure of his plans and embittered by the neglect and scorn which he met in England, he gradually sank into a melancholia and died in London June 14, 1801. His last words were reported as: Let me die in the old uniform in which I fought my battles for freedom. May God forgive me for putting on any other." There is no question that Arnold was a Freemason. Wallace in his *Traitorous Hero* says he was admitted a member in a lodge "in the West Indies" which may well be true as he was there in his early days before the Revolution. The first record in Book II of Hiram Lodge No. 1, New Haven, Connecticut (April 10, 1765) records that "Brother Benedict Arnold is by R.W. (Nathan Whiting) proposed to be made a member (i.e. an affiliate) of this R.W. Lodge, and is accordingly made a member in this Lodge." This was ten years before his first action in the Revolution. His name appears frequently on the records of Hiram Lodge until about 1772. After his defection the lodge erased his name from the membership and he was abandoned as a Mason. On June 12, 1771, he visited Solomons Lodge No. 1 at Poughkeepsie, N.Y. and on May 16, 1781, the lodge by vote "ordered that the name of Benedict Arnold be considered as obliterated from the minutes of this lodge; a Traitor" (with figure of a hand pointing to word "traitor.") This was done and the old records show his name partially obliterated by pen marks.

Sources:

Accomplice in Treason, Joshua Hett Smith

Arnold Conspiracy by Richard J. Koke

Historian John Risser

Susquehanna Magazine

10,000 Famous Freemasons by William R. Denslow

Maunday Thursday Services



The Grand Commandery officers attended
Maundy Thursday services in our nation's capital.

Great Smokies Summer Assembly-1996

The Summer Assembly of York Rite Masons will officially begin on Sunday evening, July 14, with the divine service, but festivities will begin on Friday evening, July 12, at the Masonic Temple in Asheville, NC, with a dinner honoring Kolen Flack for the many years of service that he has given to the York Rite. Seating is limited and reservations will be made on a first come basis. Contact: Randy Flack, 80 Broadway, Asheville, NC 28801, (704) 253-1396 for reservations.

Saturday morning the annual rafting trip down the Nantahala River will begin with breakfast at Joey's Pancake House in Maggie Valley at 7:00 A.M. Saturday evening will be free for family and friends.

Sunday afternoon at 3:00 David Hargett and friends serve up the cookout at the Castlewood Motel in Maggie Valley. The divine service is in the evening.

Monday morning will begin the sessions at the Masonic Temple in Waynesville and our annual pilgrimage to the Masonic Marker on the crest of the Great Smoky Mountains. Monday night our banquet will be held at the historic Lambeth Inn on the grounds of the Lake Junaluska Methodist Assembly.

Tuesday morning more informative speakers are at the Masonic Temple until noon. Because we are having the banquet at the Lambeth Inn, reservations must be made no later than July 1, 1996. Join us for the best Masonic meeting In the world!

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In Memoriam



William Ugleholt Hansen

Nebraska

Grand Commander-1958

Born June 3, 1906

Died March 9, 1996

Clyde Curtis

Kentucky

Grand Commander-1978

Department Commander East

Central--1985-88

Born June 25, 1927

Died April 5, 1996

Edgar Meredith Cox, Jr. Arkansas

Grand Commander-1996

Born April 9, 1916

Died April 13, 1996

Correction:

James D. Mooney

Texas

Grand Commander-1994

Born September 12, 1937

Died March 4, 1996

Grand Commander's Club

No. 100,457-Wallace E. Maybery (TN)

No. 100,458-James E. Turman (GA)

No. 100,459-4o honor Aaron Eugene Cole
(GA) by Constantine Commandery No. 26

No. 100,460-Stanley E. Ruley (CA)

No. 100,461-Jerome Mansfield (KY)

No. 100,462-Fred J. Madison (IA)

No. 100,463-Keith W. Dean (FL)

No. 100,464-R. Roger Stene (CO)

No. 100,465-Earl D. Harris (GA)

No. 100,466-Mrs. Nancy V. Simmons (GA)

No. 100,467-Robert S. Flint (IN)

No. 100,468-Charles R. Barrow, Jr. (FL)

No. 100,469-Jesse D. Badon (NJ)

No. 100,470-Michael Burke Johnson (WY)

No. 100,471-Donald A. Chiavaro (PA)

No. 100,472-Randy E. Cejka (IA)

No. 100,473-John H. Smith (OR)

No. 100,474-Theodore W. Bergfelt, Sr. (PA)

No. 100,475-Earl F. Ransdell (KY)

No. 100,476-H. Richard Neiswander (VA)

No. 100,477-Charles James Conley (DE)

No. 100,478-William A. Emmert (IA)

No. 100,479-Robert L. Foreman (MD)

No. 100,480-Richard J. Carr (FL)

No. 100,481-Charles H. Lengel, Jr. (DE)

Grand Master's Club

No. 2,562-to honor Clarence M. Radford (GA)
by Constantine Commandery No. 26

No. 2,563-to honor John E. Norman (GA)
Grand Commander's Club completed by
Constantine Commandery No. 26

No. 2,564-Lance R. Barron (CO)
No. 2,565-to honor John E. Jones (GA)

Grand Commander's Club completed by
Constantine Commandery No. 26

No. 2,566-To honor William G. Economy, Jr.
by St. John's Commandery No. 19 (GA)

No. 2,567-Lewis D. Headrick (GA) by St.
John's Commandery No. 19 (GA)

No. 2,568 through No. 2,573 by Pilgrim
Commandery No. 21 (WV) in honor of...

No. 2,568-Harry Canfield (WV)

No. 2,569-Jerry Digman (WV)

No. 2,570-Basil Hensley (WV)

No. 2,571-Gary Rexrode (WV)

No. 2,572-Philip Rigglemen (WV)

No. 2,573-Thomas A. Wamsley (WV)

No. 2,574-Robert W. Klein (PA)

No. 2,575-Dean W. Andersen (IA)

No. 2,576-Richard S. Smith (GA)

No. 2,577-to honor Henton E. Howard (GA)

Grand Commander's Club completed by
James E. Moseley

No. 2,578-to honor Edward G. Reese (PA) by
Charles A. Ganes

No. 2,579-to honor Robert E. Glenn (PA) by
Charles A. Ganes

**No. 2,580 through No. 2,582 by Ivanhoe
Commandery No. 24 (WI) in honor of...**

No. 2,580-Beecher Daniels (WI)

No. 2,581-John W. Christensen (WI)

No. 2,582-Herbert C. Ende (WI)

No. 2,583-Wallace A. Techentien (CO)

No. 2,584-Douglas L. Johnson (WY)

No. 2,585-Reverend James D. Marrs (SD)

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 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 Commandery credit given for participation. Information is available from: 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 May 10, 1996. The total amount contributed to date is \$891399.83.

Alabama	\$64,879.86
Arizona	6,246.50
Arkansas	16,868.45
California	20,689.05
Colorado	22,016.71
Connecticut	14,193.45
Delaware	2,233.50
District of Columbia	3,884.00
Florida	18,789.34
Georgia	59,914.33
Idaho	4,174.12
Illinois	25,257.10
Indiana	10,748.75
Iowa	25,681.51
Kansas	7,559.00
Kentucky	16,527.13
Louisiana	8,974.50
Maine	11,024.83
Maryland	17,425.95
Mass./fl I.	21,750.50
Michigan	21,443.27
Minnesota	3,190.12
Mississippi	3,746.00
Missouri	15,350.91
Montana	6,776.00
Nebraska	11,484.75
Nevada	7,305.00
New Hampshire	6,975.41
New Jersey	7,008.35
New Mexico	3,020.34
New York	10,904.00

North Carolina	7,899.00
North Dakota	417.00
Ohio	29,973.50
Oklahoma	3,815.00
Oregon	17,195.79
Pennsylvania	102,540.08
South Carolina	14,092.57
South Dakota	5,002.00
Tennessee	45,126.80
Texas	61,877.61
Utah	9,965.70
Vermont	3,059.60
Virginia	21,918.48
Washington	9,329.92
West Virginia	12,328.00
Wisconsin	15,698.70
Wyoming	10,605.00
Hilo No. 3, Hawaii	30.00
Alaska No. 1	100.00
Porto Rico No. 1	1,230.00
Anchorage No. 2	280.00
Tampico No. 1, Mexico	10.00
Ivanhoe No. 2, Mexico	128.00
Kodiak U.D., Alaska	100.00
Tokyo No. 1, Japan	50.00
Heidelberg No. 2, Germany	1,105.00
Harry J. Miller No. 5, Germany	50.00
Italy Subordinates	100.00
Solo Di Aruba No. 1	1,600.00
Canaan No. 1, Virgin Islands	200.00
Miscellaneous	39,529.83

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Cincinnati, OH**

**Largest Will Received in
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**Estate of Herbert W. McMinn
Pennsylvania
\$15,406.08**

In Memoriam

Clyde Curtis
1927-1996

Clyde Curtis was born in Lincoln County, Kentucky, June 25, 1927 to T. Arnold and Mary Jane Curtis. He attended school in Hustonville, Kentucky, and graduated from Hustonville High School in 1946.

He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in April 1946 immediately upon graduation from high school and received his technical training at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois. He served in the Aleutian Islands and Alaska. In 1948 he was stationed at Davis Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson, Arizona. It was there he met his wife Jean, and they were married July 23, 1949. Three daughters were born to them, Christine, Linda and Dana.



As a member of the Danville Jaycees, Clyde helped develop the Junior Olympics Program and received the Most Outstanding New Jaycee Award. He served as treasurer of the Rotary Club.

A lifelong member of the Christian Church, he served as Deacon, Elder, Chairman of the Membership Committee and on the Board of Directors of First Christian Church in Danville where all of his family were members.

Clyde was a Scoutmaster for six years, and his troop made a specialty of Indian dances and Indian lore. He brought twenty-one scouts to the rank of Eagle.

He was a member of the Retail Merchants Association of Danville; served as the Community Action Committee and was chairman of the Downtown Committee.

Clyde was Raised as a Master Mason in Franklin Lodge No. 28, July 15, 1965 and served as Master in 1971. He was Past District Deputy Grand Master, District No. 21, Grand Lodge of Kentucky, 1972-1973 and served as Chairman of the Ritual Committee, Grand Lodge of Kentucky. He was Exalted to Royal Arch Mason in January 1966 and served as High Priest of Danville No. 4 and as Representative to Grand Chapter of New Hampshire near the Grand Chapter of Kentucky. He served as Area Coordinator for Grand Chapter of Kentucky, 1972-76 and as District Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Kentucky, Area 4A, 1976-77. In 1973-75 he served as Master of the Second Grand Veil, Grand Chapter of Kentucky. Received and acknowledged as a Royal and Select Master, February 1966; he served as Illustrious Master, Danville Council No. 3, 1970-71; and as Grand Steward, Grand Council of Kentucky, 1973-74. Knighted on March 23, 1967, Clyde served as Commander of Ryan Commandery No. 17 in 1972-73, as Inspector-Instructor Area 4, Grand Commandery of Kentucky. 1973-75 and served as Representative to Grand Commandery of Wisconsin near the Grand Commandery of Kentucky. In 1975, Clyde was elected as Grand Captain General, Grand Commandery of Kentucky, and he was Grand Commander of Kentucky in 1978. Sir Knight Clyde was appointed East Central Department Commander of the Grand Encampment for triennium, 1985-1988, by Grand Master Donald H. Smith.

Clyde was a member of the Royal Order of Scotland, 1976; the Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests. 1977; the Order of the Silver Trowel, 1970; The Kentucky Priory No. 25, KYCH, 1974; the Holy Order High Priesthood, 1969; the Louisville Consistory, Scottish Rite; the Oleika Shrine Temple where he served as Ambassador in 1973, and was a member of the Society of Past Masters of Central Kentucky. Clyde helped institute and served on the Advisory Board of the Bluegrass Assembly No. 45, Order of Rainbow for Girls.

Sir Knight Curtis was a devoted Mason and Knight Templar, as well as a devoted worker in the Council, Chapter, Lodge and affiliates. He will be missed.

Sir Knight Roy Clark: Country Music Superstar

by Sir Knight Ivan M. Tribe, Ph.D., KYCH

One of the most familiar figures on the country music scene in the past quarter century has been a multi-talented instrumentalist with an extroverted personality who exhibits a flair for both comedy and song. As a star of the popular television program "Hoe Haw" for some twenty-three years (1969-1992), Roy Clark set a standard for quality entertainment that has been equaled by few others in his field. A previous winner of the Country Music Association's Entertainer of the Year Award (1973), Clark also won their Musician award twice, Comedian once, and shared the Instrumental award twice. Furthermore, Roy has been a member of the "Grand Ole Opry since 1987" and has also operated his own theater in Branson, Missouri for fifteen years. While Clark's Masonic career has been a relatively brief one, he has distinguished himself within the Fraternity as well as in his chosen profession as entertainer-musician.

Roy Linwood Clark was born in Meherrin, Virginia on April 15, 1933, the son of a tobacco farmer who subsequently became a government employee. Both his father H. L. Clark and his mother Lillian played musical instruments. Young Roy learned to play banjo at an early age, but made his initial public appearance at a school program playing a homemade, stringed instrument that his dad had fashioned from a cigar box with a ukulele neck attached.

Somewhat later, in 1942, the Clarks relocated to the Washington, D.C. area where the youngster carried the *Washington Star*, played baseball, and engaged in amateur boxing as a light-heavyweight. His musical career evolved from working

in the elder Clark's square dance band. Roy recalls that he began to get more serious about music when he was about thirteen. A year later, he made his first local television appearance when he and his dad sang the Eddie Dean song "One Has My Name, the Other Has My Heart" over WTTG in Washington.

Music ultimately won out over sports in young Clark's career. The St. Louis Browns offered him a tryout, but it involved paying his own expenses to their Florida training camp. His boxing interests declined sharply after he suffered a severe defeat in his sixteenth professional fight. Live music, however, flourished in the Washington area nightclubs, and a follow with Roy's skills could earn a living there. Dropping out of high school several weeks before graduation, the teenager embarked upon a form of livelihood that would eventually make his name a household word.

Roy Clark spent more than a decade on the Washington club circuit with some brief stints elsewhere. In 1950, he won the banjo picking contest at the National competition in Warrenton, Virginia. The prize included a guest appearance on the "Grand Ole Opry" at WSM radio in Nashville. He also toured with some Opry acts including the comedy team of Lonzo and Oscar (Sullivan). After about six months, Clark developed an ulcer and returned to Washington where his Nashville experience provided him with opportunities to get bookings in the better clubs, such as the Famous, the Bob White, and the Dixie Pig.

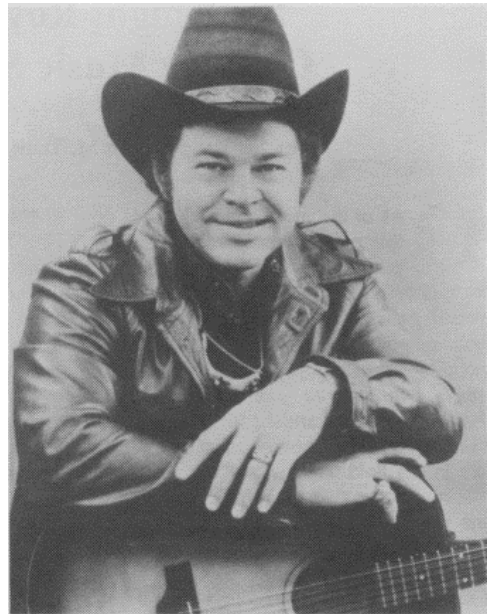
During those years, Roy usually led his own bands, but he did work for a couple of years with Jimmy Dean and his Texas

Wildcats, a country act that had some national exposure via network television. Clark also made his first recordings on the Four Star label in 1951, assisted other local musicians on their record sessions, and experienced a brief, unhappy first marriage. Somewhat later on August 31, 1957, he married his second and present wife, Barbara Joyce Rupard.

Roy Clark's career took a significant turn for the better in 1960, when he joined Wanda Jackson's band, the Party Timers, for a series of shows at the Golden Nugget in Las Vegas, Nevada. Clark fronted the band and played lead guitar. He also supported Wanda on some of her Capitol recordings which soon led to his own contract for that company. The highlights of his work with Capitol included an acclaimed guitar album, *The Lightning Fingers of Roy Clark*, and a hit recording, "The Tips of My Fingers" in 1963. As a client of the Kansas-based Jim Halsey Agency, Roy began to work out with his own band from 1961, playing shows all over the country but especially in the Midwest. In 1964 and 1965 he had a pair of lesser hits with "Through the Eyes of a Fool" and "When the Wind Blows in Chicago" respectively.

In 1968, Clark signed with Dot Records and had some of his biggest hits for that firm over the next five years. Those included "Yesterday When I Was Young," "I Never Picked Cotton," "Thank God and Greyhound," "Somewhere Between Love and Tomorrow," "Honeymoon Feelin' " and his number one hit "Come Live with Me" in 1973. In addition to mainstream country songs and dazzling instrumentals, Roy recorded a pair of bluegrass albums which featured various family members and their neighbors.

In 1969, Roy Clark began his twenty-four-year career as co-host of the television program "Hee Haw." Originally conceived as a country-western version of the hit comedy



Sir Knight Roy Clark—from the Ivan Tribe Collection

show "Laugh-In," the sixty-minute extravaganza premiered on CBS-TV in mid-June. The combination of country music from both cast regulars such as Buck Owens and Grandpa Jones, combined with rustic humor from such longtime masters of the art as Archie Campbell and Junior Samples, and beautiful girls typified by Gunilla Hutton and Misty Rowe, struck a responsive chord with middle and working class Americans. Although much of the comedy harkened back to the nineteenth century minstrel and vaudeville stage, folks liked it and "Hoe Haw" became an instant hit. It sparked mostly negative attacks from elite critics, but remained among the Top Twenty programs during its two-year run on the networks. Top executives at CBS, stung by the harsh criticism, canceled the program in July 1971, but it survived as a syndicated show for another

generation, more popular than before. After 1992, no new segments were filmed although Roy made some introductions for a season of prime re-runs known as "Hoe Haw Silver." Roy remained the principal star through its entirety and played a major role in its enduring success. His musical and comedy skills together with his pleasing personality all contributed to "Hoe Haw" 's positive image.

Meanwhile, Roy moved from his longtime home base in Washington to Tulsa, Oklahoma. In 1974, he purchased what had been known as the Titus mansion and he and Barbara soon made it their "dream home." In the more than two decades that the Clarks have resided in Tulsa, they have become prominent in a number of philanthropic endeavors, and the community has reciprocated by honoring them in a variety of ways. For instance, in 1977, a Roy Clark Elementary School was named for him in Tulsa, as was an airport in Skiatook, Oklahoma. His charitable activities have also resulted in buildings - or parts there-of - being named for Roy in various locales in Tennessee and Virginia as well.

No doubt it was a combination of Clark's entertainer status and philanthropic work which resulted in the decision of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma to make him a Mason "at sight." This was done when he received his degrees on December 9, 1987. Afterwards, Roy affiliated with Jenks Lodge No. 497 in suburban Jenks, Oklahoma as a "perpetual member." He subsequently sought additional light in Masonry on his own. Clark completed the Scottish Rite degrees in Tulsa on July 16, 1988, and became a Noble of Akdar Shrine Temple later that same day. Less than two years later, Roy Linwood Clark completed his York Rite work and was Knighted on February 24, 1990. He is a member of Trinity Commandery No. 20, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The genial country entertainer from rural Virginia by way of Washington, D.C., has hardly been content with simply resting on

his laurels in recent years. Both in 1976, and again in 1988, Clark took "goodwill" tours of the Soviet Union thus doing his bit to help melt the Iron Curtain. In 1987, he added "Grand Ole Opry" membership to his résumé. Thus Roy becomes a part of the world's longest running radio show that has counted such Masons among its notable former members as Roy Acuff, Eddy

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Arnold, Homer Bailes, Rod Brasfield, Stoney Cooper, and Pee Wee King, along with such present member Masons as Ernest Ashworth, Charlie Louvin, and Charlie Walker. Somewhat earlier, Roy had opened his own Roy Clark Theater in Branson, Missouri, where he appears frequently in between touring to other show dates and periods of rest and relaxation.

Roy's name continued to appear with some regularity on the country and western charts through the later seventies and eighties. His last really big hit was "If I Had It to Do all Over Again" in 1976, but he had several more modest ones including "Chain Gang of Love" for MCA in 1980, "The Last Word in Jesus Is 'Us'," for Songbird in 1981, and an instrumental rendition of the ever popular "Wildwood Flower" for Churchill in 1983. Through 1989, Clark had placed some fifty-two numbers on the Billboard country charts, ten of which had also crossed over onto the pop listings.

Although the career of Roy Clark is hardly over, it has been sufficient to have already made numerous significant contributions to the country music field. In 1993, he authored a popular autobiography *My Life - In Spite of Myself*, which is currently available in both hardcover and paperback editions. In the not too distant future, one expects to see him enshrined in the Country Music Hall of Fame, where he will join other Masonic entertainers ranging from Roy Acuff to Roy Rogers, who have carved out distinctive marks in their chosen profession. All things considered, the high school dropout from a small town in the Virginia piedmont has done pretty well for himself.

*Note: Those who wish to learn more about Roy Clark may wish to consult his autobiography written with Marc Eliot *My Life - In Spite of Myself* (Simon & Schuster, 1994; or Pocket Books, 1995. Roy's Masonic record is detailed in *The Masonic Hospital Visitor, Fall and Winter 1992*, pp. 1, 4. Thanks also to Sir Knight Clark's publicist in Nashville, Ms. Carol Anderson, for supplying one of the photographs.*

Sir Knight Ivan M. Tribe, a professor of history at the University of Rio Grande, Rio Grande, Ohio, is a P.C. and a member of Athens Commandery No. 15, Athens, Ohio. He resides at 111 East High Street, McArthur, OH 45651-1111

Committee On Drill Regulations Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A. Attention, Competitive Drill Teams!

The 60th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment in St. Louis is fast approaching. The time to make plans to enter a Drill Team competition is **NOW!** Entry forms, drill schedules, detailed instructions, and new rules and regulations are available.

Many things are new for the Competitive Drills in St. Louis, including a **New Class "C"** Drill. This drill consists of twelve Sir Knights formed in two sections with a captain and left and right guides for a total of fifteen Sir Knights. Essentially it is 1/2 of a Class "A" team. With the addition of Class "C", the committee hopes that more Commanderies will be able to enter Triennial Drill Competition. All three drill classes will implement companion drills; with similar movements arranged in the same sequence of drill, facilitating teams switching classes if necessary depending on their ability to field Sir Knights. In addition, for the purposes of Class "A" Drill, a Grand Commandery, subdivision of a Grand Commandery, subordinate or constituent Commandery may field a team. This permits a Grand Commandery or a division, battalion, etc., of a Grand Commandery to field a Class "A" team. Greater flexibility should increase the number of Class "A" teams able to enter competition.

The Committee on Drill Regulations hope that these changes will bring more drill teams to St. Louis than ever before. To enroll your drill team or to receive information, please contact, as soon as possible:

Sir Knight William H. Koon II, KCT, Co-chairman
7200 Slabtown Road
Columbus Grove, OH 45830
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A Pilgrim Minister Writes

I write this letter to express my sincere thanks for your organization's kindness in sponsoring my pilgrimage to the Holy Land, along with forty-seven fellow pastors from February 6 to 16. The first words from Ezra's mouth, "You are not here for a vacation," proved correct. Our schedule was a full and challenging one - but one that anchored every historical and religious site to its Biblical reference.

There was the Mount of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, the walk into Jerusalem, the Via Dolorosa, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Wailing Wall, the Dome of the Rock, the Yad Vashem, the Street of the Righteous, the House of Lazarus, the Garden Tomb, Massada Qumran, the Dead Sea, the Oasis of Jericho, the Jordan River, the archeological dig of Belt She'an, and the Galilee with its small towns, fishing boats, and famous sea. We saw the hill where Christ preached the Sermon on the Mount. We saw the Kidron Valley and the Valley of Armageddon with the ancient ruins of the city of Megiddo. I wrote in my application that I wanted to see these places of my faith with my own eyes, and now that I have, I want you to know how enriching, positive, and spiritual the experience was.

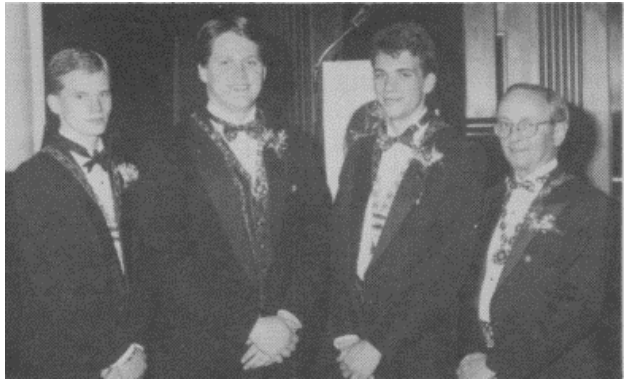
We are asked how this trip could be improved. I have no idea. The food and lodging were simply superb - first rate. The guide was an historical genius and sensitive to the Christian faith. The fellow pastoral-pilgrims became a congenial group of friends. There was even a free day to explore Jerusalem at our own pace. How do you improve upon such a wonderful experience?

Thank you so very much for making this spiritual Pilgrimage possible for me. The Knights Templar have enriched my ministry.

The Reverend Mark D. Dewald
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Grand Master of DeMolay Attends Idaho DeMolay Conclave

On March 21, 1996, the Grand Master of International DeMolay, Joe Williams, attended the Idaho DeMolay Conclave in Boise, Idaho. Ben Johnson, International Master Councilor of DeMolay, was the keynote speaker for the three-day event. The principals attending the event included, from left to right: Nate Brown, Idaho State Master Councilor Elect; Ben Johnson, International Master Councilor; Mike Pearson, Idaho State Master Councilor; and Joe Williams, Grand Master of International DeMolay.



MINNEAPOLIS MOUNTED NO. 23, MINNESOTA SENDS MINISTER TO HOLY LAND

Sunday, January 28, 1996, at St. Andrews Lutheran Church in Grand Rapids, Minnesota, Sir Knights of Minneapolis Mounted presented a Holy Land Pilgrimage to Reverend George Gilbertson. Pastor Gilbertson was one of four ministers sent by Minnesota this year; one was sponsored by the Grand Commandery and three by individual Commanderies. Reverend Gilbertson was proposed by Sir Knight Herbert S. Rowe, a member of Mounted and the St. Andrews congregation. Pictured, left to right: Kenneth M. Sulem, P.C.; Herbert S. Rowe; Rev. George Gilbertson; and James E. Odland, P.C.



KNIGHTHOOD DEGREES—NEW MEXICO DeMOLAY



The Order of DeMolay has two advanced degrees for active members above the age of sixteen: the Holy Order of the Fellow Soldiers of Jacques DeMolay (or the Order of Knighthood) and the Order of Ebon for nineteen-year-olds. New Mexico Knights Templar showed their support for these degrees by attending the biannual investiture held in Sante Fé

by W. Carlos Powell Priory. Pictured in the Scottish Rite Cathedral are, left to right: standing: Brother Don Sultemeier, P.M.; Sir Knight Don Ware, Grand Sentinel, Grand Chapter of New Mexico, O.E.S.; Brother G. Wayne Morrison, P.M., D.D.G.M. of 1st Masonic District, Ritual Director of Knighthood priory; DeMolay Knights in costume; Sir Knight Wesley D. Thornton, Deputy I.S.C., Director of Knighthood in New Mexico; Sir Knight Danny R. Calloway, P.G.M, Executive Officer of DeMolay, New Mexico; Sir Knight Josh B. Lightle, head coach for Temple Lodge No. 6.

ST. LOUIS ASSEMBLY NO. 29, SOCIAL ORDER OF THE BEAUCEANT, MO HONORS MRS. MILTON (EVELYN) ENGELHARDT

Recorder Mrs. Daniel L. W. (Mary Lou) Taylor writes that the Assembly presented Mrs. Milton (Evelyn) Engelhardt, a widow, with her 50-year pin from the Supreme Assembly. She was initiated January 21, 1946 and served as Worthy President in 1958. Since her term as President she has served in a station for the last thirty-eight years, being Chaplain for at least twelve years. Evelyn will celebrate her 90th birthday on December 3, 1996.

Three new members were initiated on February 28, 1996: Mrs. Harold J. Richardson, Mrs. James E. Snaveley, and Mrs. Clark W. Layne, Jr.



Knights Templar Donate Funds to Emory Eye Center

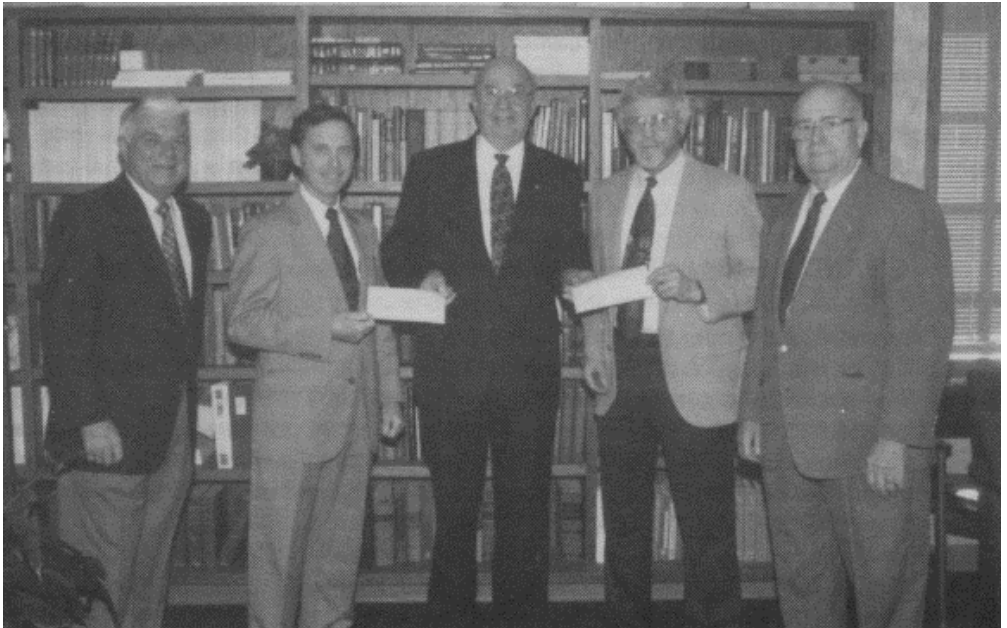
Macon, Georgia: The Knights Templar Educational Foundation of Georgia recently presented the Emory Eye Center with a \$20,000 check for clinical research and a \$3,000 check to fund a lectureship. William M. Hutcheson, state chairman of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation, presented the checks to Thomas Aaberg, M.D., director of the Emory Eye Center (pictured second from left), and Robert Church, Ph.D., a professor of ophthalmology at Emory and a leading researcher (second from right). Looking on are S. Fleetwood Maddox, M.D., a long-time advisor to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and a Macon ophthalmologist (far left), and James E. Moseley, Secretary/Treasurer for the Knights Templar Educational Foundation of Georgia (far right).

"We are very grateful to the Knights

Templar for this generous gift," said Dr. Church, who plans to use the \$20,000 donation for his clinical research into the causes of and treatment for cataracts.

The Knights Templar of Georgia also sponsored a lecture at the Emory Eye Center for physicians, medical professionals in training, scientists and community physicians.

The Knights Templar Educational Foundation raises funds for educational and research purposes. The Knights Templar Eye Foundation sponsors research and provides financial assistance for needy individuals who require hospitalization and surgery to restore or preserve their eyesight. The Emory Eye Center brings together those services dedicated to eye care within the Emory University System of Health Care and Emory University School of Medicine.



BOOK REVIEW:

Bullock not only traces the history of the Masons but also demonstrates how Masonry served as a vehicle for the emergence and consolidation of American elites. He does an outstanding job of illuminating Americans' changing ideas about the nature of 'society' - that is, social relations among men.

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Revolutionary Brotherhood
Freemasonry and the
Transformation
of the American Social Order,
1730-1840
by Steven C. Bullock

In the first comprehensive history of the fraternity known to outsiders primarily for its secrecy and rituals, Steven Bullock traces Freemasonry through its first century in America. He follows the order from its origins in Britain and its introduction into North America in the 1730s to its near-destruction by a massive anti-Masonic movement almost a century later and its subsequent reconfiguration into the brotherhood we know today. With a membership that included Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Paul Revere, and Andrew Jackson, Freemasonry is fascinating in its own right, but Bullock also places the

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Grand Commander's Golf Outing In Orrville, Ohio

Wooster Commandery No. 48 of Wooster, Ohio, is hosting the Grand Commander's Golf Outing on Saturday, June 29, 1996, at the Riceland Country Club, located south of the city of Orrville where Routes 57 and 30 intersect. Toe off time is 8 A.M.

Price is \$23.00 for eighteen holes, \$10.00 for ¹/₂ cart per person, and includes a Ted Mack steak dinner. For anyone wishing to purchase a dinner only, the price is \$10.00 per plate. Cards and a horseshoe game may also be offered. Ladies and non-Masons are welcome.

Overnight reservations may be made at the Orrville Inn, (330) 682-4080 or Econo Lodge: 1-800-248-8341. Reservations made to Vic Nussbaum, 787 N. Kansas Road, Orrville, OH 44667 or call (330) 683-5361 by June 18.

Never Have So Many Owed So Much To So Few

On April 20, 1996, my Lady Dorella and I attended a reception honoring Sir Knight Carveth K. Neer, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Kansas, and presently Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas. We have been very close friends with both the Grand Master and his Lady Joan for many years. My congratulations to a dedicated Master Mason.

It was brought to my attention by Sir Knight Gerald R. Butcher, Past Grand Commander of Kansas, that the state of Kansas has had, since 1871, thirty Grand Commanders who have served the Grand Lodge of Kansas as Grand Masters. I challenge each Grand Commander to investigate his own state and check the records to determine how many of his Grand Commanders have served as Grand Masters. Just let me know, and we will publish your findings at a future date.

**Remember - August 9-13, 1997
Meet Me In St. Louie, Sir Knight Louie
60th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment
Adams Mark Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri**

Blair Christy Mayford, Grand Master

Post Easter Warning

by Julia Irene Peterson Hardy

While basking in the glory of the Resurrection and contemplating
the aftermath of Easter, I composed this poem:

We thank you, Lord, for your awesome Resurrection day
When we gathered on Easter to rejoice and pray.
Loved ones assembled - some traveling many a mile;
You provided protective safety all the while. We
met to worship and fellowship for common good;
We celebrated passing the peace as Christians should. We
knelt at the altar - partaking heavenly food,
After which we arose - forgiven, cleansed, renewed.
Beautiful church, gorgeous service, and heart-bursting song
Filled us with the desire of a heavenly throng.
Remember that outside the window - old Satan lurks;
Let us beware! lest our deep Easter faith, he jerks.

Julia Irene Peterson Hardy is a fifty-one-year member of Elmira Chapter No. 40, O.E.S., Keokuk, Iowa; her husband, Francis W. Hardy is a Shriner and fifty-six-year member of the Eagle Lodge No. 12. They live at 2720, McKinley Avenue, Keokuk, IA 52632-2250



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To place your "Knight Voices" item on the waiting list for publication, type or print it and send to "Knight Voices," The Grand Recorder, 5097N. 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. You must submit a written request and check, if applicable, for each time you want your ad to run. Each request must be separate and at monthly intervals, not several at the same time. All other requests for repeat ads will either run just once or will be returned to sender.

Lost at last Triennial Conclave in Denver: two KT uniform belts. First belt is a Texas Past Commander's belt with gold chain. Name on inside is: Floyd Waddil. Second belt is an Oklahoma Past Commander's belt with plain black leather straps. Last seen in gray plastic bag with one pair of black drill shoes. If found, please call Fchard Harrave; 3535 E. 146 Skeet No. 903; Piano; IX 75074-7061, (214) 509-1603.

For sale: complete Commander's uniform: jacket. 461; chapeau, 7 3/8, with case; belt, 38-40; sword with case. Used only four years. Reasonable prices. Please call (419) 663-7323. Leave message.

For sale: new CPO. coats, polyester/wool, summer weight: sizes: 42S, 44S and 44XL \$20.00 each plus S & H. Also: used chapeaux: size 7 and 7 1/8. Percentage will be donated to KTEF or HLP. John Myers, 2120 N. SR 127, Angola, IN 46703, (219) 665-2797 or J. William Myers, 1460 East US. Highway 20, Angola, IN 46703, (219) 665-5686.

For sale: CPO. 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 Skeet S. W; Pataskala; OH 43062; (614) 927-7073.

For sale: 1912 Ohio State Conclave model, Coshocton No. 63; 1899 Montreal Pilgrimage medal w/Kora Temple Lewiston, ME; and a 1894-1941 St Petersburg No. 139 medal, suspended by a square and chain. PJI medals, \$15.00 each; Ill pay postage. Malt None, 4970 SE. Railroad Street Pleasant Lake, W 46779, (219) 475-5773.

For sale: gold Past Commander's jewel, a collectors item; 14K yellow-gold Gents ring: RN. and Royal Arch Mason Gothic mfg. KT 975 with a .51 point AA1 diamond; Blue Lodge Masonic ring with square and compass and .01 ct diamond inset in a square synthetic ruby. Helen Baastall, 340 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Jacksonville, IL 62650, (217) 245-6035.

Wanted: Par Pony, three-wheeled golf carts manufactured in the 1950. - complete, parts or pieces. Shrine Club unit wants to increase unit size. Blair Healy; R.R. 1, Box 3; Langford, SD 57454; (605) 493-6738

Collectors of Masonic historical items: You can own a piece of Illinois Masonic history. The building in which the present Grand Lodge of Illinois was formed (and the Grand Chapter and Grand Council) in 1840 was razed by its owner, a Mason, who saved 150 bricks from the structure. These have been hand cleaned and sealed with a polyurethane finish and attached is a gold colored plaque with the history of the brick silk-screened on it. Each brick is individually numbered and comes with a corresponding certificate of authenticity. They are being offered for \$100.00 each, first come, first served, postpaid. Order with check to Jacksonville Lodge No. 570, A.E. & A.M.; P.O. Box 1305; Jacksonville; IL 62651.

Attention Masons: Bath Lodge No. 55, F. & A.M., has commissioned to be made two styles of collector's knives, commemorating 150 continuous years of Masonry in Bath County, 1845-1995. The two-blade Case, full trapper, (stag handle) is housed in a metal hinged display box. Each blade is etched with information concerning Bath County Masonic history and enameled in blue color. The 2-blade Case, full trapper. (blue-bone) with Masonic emblem in handle is also etched on both blades and in display box. Each knife is consecutively numbered and only five hundred of each is being made. A perfect gift for collectors or Masons. Cost: Stag, \$75.00; Blue-Bone, \$69.00; both plus \$4.00 S & H, if mailed. To order contact Bob G Ray, Secretary; 18.2 John Stan Street; Owingsville; KY 40360, (606) 674-6097 Allow seven to ten days for shipping.

Attention: The Grand Lodge of England is offering a unique Masonic lapel pin to all online Freemasons around the world. The lapel pin symbolizes the universal brotherhood of Freemasonry made even more possible by the electronic communication of today's technologies. Profits go to the Grand Charity. To access more information about this lapel pin, connect to the Internet through your computer and go to: <http://www.froomasonryorg/mu/lapelpin.html>

The Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania has a limited number of 200th anniversary commemorative coins for sale at \$5.00 each, plus \$1.00 shipping and handling. Orders should be sent to The Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of PA, One North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19107

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Wanted: Masonic Chapter peonies 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 thy 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 Storck Sr.; 775 W. Roger Road No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (520) 888-75.85

For sale: 1908 Pittsburg Syria glass. \$45.00; silver-plated 1912 Maggie Baird Eastern Star candy dish. \$23.00; heavy brass Shrine ashtray (not old). \$23.00; Eastern Star srrwlf cup and Saucer. \$15.00; pair of cast iron Masonic bookends, \$100. Postage included. Always looking to buy antique Masonic items. Steve Kapp 1193 B Okinawa Lane go, Guam 9291220; phone: 011-671-653-6143.

For sale: 14 kt white gold, S.O.O.B. enamel and seed pearl Past President's pin with gavel, estimated over seventy years old. Appraised at \$850.00; will accept best offer. Mrs. Daniel L. W. (Mary Lou) Taylor, Recorder 1(314) 653-18171, St Louis Assembly No. 29, Social Order of the Beauceant St Louis, MO.

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Wanted: Knights Templar. Shrine, and other Masonic badges and also, any Masonic items and entire collections for my personal collection. Will trade. Why not use

these as a source of fund-raising for the KTEF? Fair and honest prices paid. I sill need a Shriner Cushman Eagle scooter. Robert L. Kiefer, 1057 Brandywine Drive, Melina, OH 44256, (330) 725-0670, evenings.

If you are interested in joining a group of active Masons interested in preserving and collecting Masonic memorabilia and historic items along with research and identification, please send a stamped/self-addressed envelope to The National Association of Collectors of Masonic Memorabilia and Research Society, 1057 Brandywine Drive, Me*w, OH 44256. AJI inquiries answered.

For sale: Masonic ring (1950s) in perfect condition: 32 Scottish Rite, Commandery York Rite-1.6 ct diamond set on double eagle. Picture available. Appraised, \$7,500; sell, \$4,000. C)llo (419) 427-2053.

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For sale: half price-4 spaces in Masonic Garden, Valhalla Memory Gardens, Bloomington, Indiana - \$300.00. (885) 466-2970.

For sale: 2 cemetery lots in Nassau Knolls Cemetery, Port Washington, New York-2 interments each - in Fairlawn section, Plot 338-A, graves 3 and 4, opposite Masonic section. Asking \$1,000 each or \$1,900 both. Call collect (205) 547-5160.

Cincinnati Transit Historical Association trying to determine if enough interest to have Cincinnati Street Railway 100 series. Peter Witt type street car in HO scale made. Number will determine cost, approx. \$125.00. If interested, send self-addressed, stamped envelope to Lao L Denner 3392 Alta Vista Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45211. You will be notified of cost, delivery time and where to send check to order.

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Reunion: the Wacky Mac, a.k.a. U.S.S. McCawley (AP10/APA4); fourth anniversary meetings of its sinking by USN PT boats will be July 28-30. Activities and festivities at Lake Wright Resort in good old 'Doodoo City by the Sea' Virginia. Remember, 'Dogs and sailors keep off the grass.' Chief Frenchy Mauiais, (847) 358-7188 for further info and reservations.

Reunion: U.S.S. Spica at Morris Inn of the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, September 6-9, 1996. George Beehler, 59735 Ash Road, Osceola, IN 45626, (219) 293-675.5.

