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Audie Leon Murphy as himself in To Hell and Back, 1954. Brother Murphy's story starts on page 19

Involvement Urgently Requested!

The Sight Crusader program, announced in the July issue of the *Knight Templar* magazine, is to recognize in perpetuity those benefactors who support the Knights Templar Eye Foundation in its efforts to extend the Gift of Sight" by their financial contributions. The details of the Sight Crusader program and instructions on how to participate are given in the article on pages 5 and 6 of the *Knight Templar* magazine. Sir Knights and friends, financial gifts and bequests are an essential part of the funding of the programs of the KTEF, and it is the wish of the trustees to acknowledge while still living those who have named the KTEF a beneficiary of a bequest in a will, an insurance policy, or by other means.



Participation is easy, and you know it is truly for a good cause. I urge you to take an interest in this program, to participate, and to recommend it to your business associates, friends, and neighbors. Call or contact the KTEF office at the address shown on page 6 (July), and thank you!

The 1998 Templar Crusade to the Holy Land (Holy Land Tour) leaves November 23 and returns December 2. For further details please contact AMI Travel Inc.; 3525 W. Peterson Avenue, Suite 120; Chicago; IL 60659, or call (773) 267-5555 or (800) 821-8947. The price is right, and the accommodations and the itinerary exceptional. Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, R.E. Deputy Grand Master, accompanied by his wife Lois, will lead this Crusade. We believe it will be a joyful and inspiring experience and encourage you to join this tour of the land where Jesus walked.

My Fratres, you have read in previous Grand Master's Messages this part of an old Chinese proverb: "Involve me - I understand." You have also read this: "We must not forget where we came from" and "We must be as good as we say we are." In the April 1998 issue of the *Knight Templar*, you read about "Assumption of Leadership." Sir Knights, as members of this great Christian order, we are obligated to provide for the needs of the poor and weary in mind and body and circumstance. Every member should be involved to the extent that he understands the reasons we must not forget where we came from and why we must be good as we say we are. As Templars, the assumption of leadership is essentially necessary. The first twelve months of this triennium, we have emphasized in the Department Conferences the need for and ways and means to get new members and reinstatements, to retain members, and to provide programs and activities in our Commanderies that will help us to grow mentally and spiritually and to fulfill our mission as men and Masons.

The next phase of the plans for membership development, that will be emphasized in the upcoming Department Conferences, will involve primarily ways and means to Implement education and leadership training plans and programs in our constituent Commanderies. Sir Knights, we all know, that if we are to accomplish the purposes for which we exist as an order, we must have a proud, loyal, active, well-informed membership working in our constituent Commanderies under the leadership of competent, enthusiastic, dedicated officers. Your attendance and participation in your Department Conference is urgently requested, and I look forward to visiting with you there.

I'm done pumping - for now!

Every Christian Mason Should Be A Knight Templar!

James Morris Ward, KGC Grand Master

Knight Templar

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

OCTOBER: On page 2 the Grand Master speaks of all the ways in which Sir Knights can be involved, and most of them are fun as well as rewarding! Sir Knight Garnes, page 5, tells us it is time to finalize and get on with plans for the 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign for the' KTEF. Besides your donation, there are other ways to contribute. Check it out! The KTEF Grand Masters Club members for last year are listed on page 7-9. Our Grand Captain General, Sir Knight Richard Baldwin, presents a wonderful article on the cornerstone reenactment for the Washington Monument in the District of Columbia - page 11, and our feature story is about Brother Audie Murphy, who is also remembered on our October cover. Of course, there is news from across the nation!

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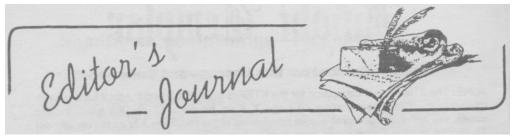
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Attention: all Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be In office as Grand Commanders on November 1998; or Grand Recorders: In the upcoming November issue, Knight Templar magazine will again present pictures of Knights those Sir who are Commanders on November 1. Please provide us with a photograph of yourself in uniform by September 10, 1998. 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, 1998. After that date, it may not be possible to include them in the November magazine.

Sir Knights, Attention!: An important and invaluable booklet entitled The York Rite of Freemasonry - A History and Handbook is available. It is 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, plus shipping and handling; \$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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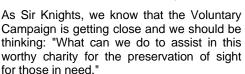
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Make Way for the 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign It's Just Around the Corner!

by Sir Knight Charles A. Games, Honorary P.D.C. and Chairman of the 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign



Once in a while someone will say: "What can I do to help?" These are brave people who ask that question, and yet they probably expect the answer to be "make a donation." Sir Knights, there is much more to supporting the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., than donating needed funds. We know that we must have funds to pay surgical expenses, etc., but there is something else you can do and that is: Say a good word for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Let people know that we are one of the great Masonic charities.

There is something else you can do and that is join with me and put your efforts into fund-raising for the 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign. As the Marines say, they "are looking for a few good men." I would like to say that I am looking for a few dedicated Sir Knights that are willing to help raise the two million dollars needed between December 1, 1998 and April 30, 1999. I am looking for at least one hundred Sir Knights who are willing to help promote the Campaign. I will be glad to provide information and suggestions to those who are willing to be ambassadors for sight. My mail address and e-mail address are at the end of this article. It would be great if one thousand Sir Knights responded to this call. You can be the Sir Knight who There is a great need for Sir Knights and friends of the Knights Templar Foundation, Inc., who have friends that are in some way connected or known to charitable reached out and touched someone so "that others may see."





foundations. If a charitable foundation receives a letter from a person who they do not know. the request finds its way to file 13. Here is where some of our Sir Knights can be helpful: If you know someone who is connected with a charitable foundation, please provide me with the name of the foundation, address, and name of the person to whom we can direct a letter. Now, here is the most important part: I need your permission to use your name in our letter as the person who provided the name and address. You would not be asked to do anything else. Most large corporations have charitable funds, and many have restrictions, but there are still many who want to help others in need.

Surprise me! Fill my mailbox with sincere offers to help!

Sir Knight Charles A. Games, Honorary Past Department Commander and P.G.C. of Pennsylvania, is the Campaign Chairman of the 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign and a member of Duquesne Commandery No. 72, Penn Hilts, Pennsylvania. He resides at 1700 Jamestown Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15235-4944; Send e-mail to: cagames@aol.com

Take A Little Time For The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

Show your support by wearing a watch with the KTEF logo. All watches are gold electroplated, and have precision metal quartz movement, scratchproof mineral crystal, long-life silver oxide battery, stainless steel case back, and genuine leather band. Your donation of \$25.00 per watch includes shipping and handling. Each Sir Knight will receive credit for at least a \$10.00 donation for each watch (the goal per member in the 30th Voluntary Campaign). His Commandery will receive credit in the 30th Voluntary Campaign. (The writer has worn one for four years without repair, and like the Energizer Bunny it's still going!)

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Pennsylvania Conclave Plate To Benefit KTEF

The Grand Commander of Pennsylvania gave a plate as a banquet gift at the 145th Annual Conclave. This plate (shown right) was produced in the early 1900s in black and white. It has been reproduced for the Conclave in color. This beautiful Knight Templar plate is available for as long as the supply lasts. Only one thousand plates were made, and anyone wishing to add this plate to his/her collection may do so by sending a check in the amount of \$35.00 (including shipping and handling) to: David L. Kempfer, 614 Drexel Road, Harrisburg, PA 17109. Sir Knight Kempfer will donate \$4.00 from the price of each plate to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.



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Thinking Of The 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign For The KTEF!

by Sir Knight Glenn N. Marshall, P.G.C., Iowa Chairman for the KTEF

As I sit thinking of the coming campaign for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, I imagine the letter that might have been written by some grateful person after you, Sir Knight, took the time to be caring and concerned for someone in need of help:

I want to thank you, Sir Knights, for making it possible for me to regain my eyesight. I couldn't believe how much I had been missing in detail and color. I had known, for quite some time, that surgery would be necessary, but the cost seemed to be prohibitive...until I received an offer of help from a wonderful Sir Knight in my hometown. Quite frankly, I didn't even realize there was such help available. He explained that he belongs to a Masonic group called the Knights Templar and is a member of a local Commandery. He told me that their mission is to seek out persons, such as myself, who need financial assistance which they cannot obtain elsewhere. He went on to explain that he would oversee some paperwork that was necessary, all the while assuring me that such paperwork would not be difficult or time consuming, and if I qualified, I would receive a financial grant to perform my needed surgery without any cost to me.

I can't begin to tell you how much I appreciate your help. I can now drive safely and see to perform my daily tasks. I can play with my grandchildren. I am able to continue to serve God, my family, and my community. I pray the Knights Templar Eye Foundation continues to receive all the funds needed to perform miraculous hope where it is most needed!

Sir Knight, won't you be that caring and concerned someone? Won't you please get involved? Support the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. It's your charity!

Glenn N. Marshall 4617 Pineview Drive, N.E. Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402-1717

In Memoriam

Glenn C. Richards Iowa Grand Commander-1986 Born May 20, 1920 Died July 11, 1998

William August Von Dohlen South Carolina Grand Commander-1978 Born January 23, 1921 Died August 8, 1998

Robert M. Musgrove Washington Grand Commander-1996 Recorder-1 997-98 Born August 7, 1920 Died August 13, 1998

Edgar Husted Clark Michigan Grand Commander-1966 Born July 12, 1908 Died August 22, 1998

Maurice Fuller Roberts Oregon Grand Commander-1963 Born August 8, i912 Died August 16, 1998

Grand Commander's Club

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Grand Master's Club

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How to join: Any incividual may send a deck 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 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.; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 100; Chicago; IL 60630-2460; (7773) 205-3838.

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

Since July 1, 1992, all new members of the Grand Master's and Grand Commander's dubs have been issued pins at no charge to the recipients. If you became a member of either dub prior to that date and would like a pin for yourself, send a \$10.00 donation to the Eye Foundation in Chicago, and you will receive one.

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Ora S. Gafford (TX)	63,846.17

More Wills, Bequests and Trusts in November

A Cornerstone Reenactment

by Sir Knight Richard B. Baldwin. R.E. Grand Captain General CC the Grand Encampment

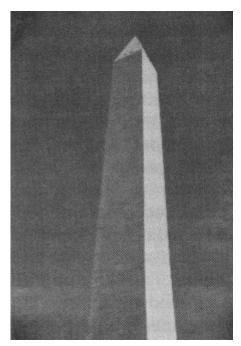
The laying of cornerstones is a Masonic tradition of hundreds of years' standing. The Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of the District of Columbia, has been in the forefront of these ceremonies since its first one in 1792, which was the laying of the cornerstone for the White House, through some twenty-two equally auspicious occasions, including that for the Washington Monument on July 4, 1848. Many of these ceremonies have included participation by the President of the United States; James Polk, for example, one of our Masonic Presidents, attended the original laying of this cornerstone in 1848, and at the centennial observance in 1948, President Harry S Truman, a Past Grand Master, was present.

On Saturday, July 18, 1998, the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia conducted a reenactment of the cornerstone laying of the Washington Monument. This singular event was many months in preparation and followed similar reenactments by the same Grand Lodge for the White House and for the Capitol.

Virtually every Masonic body in the District had a part in the ceremony. Some one hundred Knights Templar in full Templar uniform from the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia formed the lines through which the dignitaries passed on their way to the platform.

Most Worshipful Eldon J. Brown, Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia, conceived of this idea and saw it through to a really memorable conclusion.

The prime mover in preparing for it was Most Worshipful Stewart Wilson Miner, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, Honorary Past Grand Master in the District of Columbia, and their Grand Secretary, as well as the current Captain General of Arlington Commandery No. 29, Arlington, Virginia.



The original cornerstone was laid on July 4, 1848, by the same Grand Lodge in equally impressive ceremony. Interestingly, that first cornerstone was laid by Most Worshipful Benjamin B. French, then serving as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District and destined to serve two terms as the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, French had come to Washington in 1833 as assistant clerk of the United States House of Representatives. Later on, he was to switch political parties in what has become a rather rare and newsworthy event. He received his degrees in King Solomon Lodge No. 14, New London, New Hampshire, in 1825, later serving as Worshipful Master and D.D.G.M.

French arrived in Washington at the height of the anti-Masonic excitement following the Morgan Affair in New York and was instrumental in revitalizing what had become a moribund Craft. It was there that he received the York and Scottish Rite degrees, ultimately serving in the Grand East of all the York Rite bodies and as

Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the U.S.A. His two terms as Grand Master of the Grand Encampment included the Civil War years, during which he tried in every way to hold the allegiance of the Grand Commanderies of the South through that difficult period. His letter to the Grand Commander of Virginia is considered a masterpiece because of his friendly gestures and conciliatory tone.

It is interesting that his nephew, Daniel Chester French, was the sculptor for the world renowned statue of the Minuteman, now standing on the colonists' side of the

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bridge at Concord, Massachusetts, on which are inscribed the immortal words of Ralph Waldo Emerson: "By the rude bridge that arched the flood, their flag to April's breeze unfurled, here once the embattled farmers stood and fired the shot hear 'round the world." He was later sculptor of the statue of Abraham Lincoln in that assassinated president's memorial at the western end of the mall in our nation's capital, where the Washington Monument occupies the center.

The reenactment included a processional march led by the National Sojourners in Heroes of '76 uniforms bearing the flags of each of the fifty states; the presentation of the colors, including the national colors as well as those of the U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy, and U.S. Air Force by the joint Armed Forces Color Guard stationed at Fort Myer, Virginia. The U.S. Marine Band was

present for the reenactment as they had been for the original event in 1848, their band leader being well aware of their earlier participation and anxious to take part in the reenactment.

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There were greetings from the Washington Monument Society. the National Park Service, and America's vouth, together with remarks from the Grand Master after which he with his officers went through а masterful cornerstone laving ceremony. See the photos at the end of this article.

The entire affair closed with an oration by M.W. Stewart Wilson Miner on Washington as an early American futurist, a benediction, and a rousing series of American national musical selections by the U.S. Marine Band. A dinner was held in the evening with some four hundred attending.

Artifacts present or used during the ceremony included the Bible on which Washington took his oath of office as President of the United States, belonging to St. John's Lodge No. 1 of New York; the trowel used by Washington at the cornerstone laying of the U.S. Capitol building in 1793, belonging to Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22 of Virginia (in which Washington served as Master while president, he being the first under the Virginia charter, and the only person ever to hold both positions concurrently until Truman): and the gavel used Washington at the Capitol cornerstone laying and belonging to Potomac Lodge No. 5 of the District of Columbia.

The story of the Monument is interesting in and of itself. Because of his incredibly

high standing among us all, dating from his early life through the Revolution and his presidency, the idea of a suitable memorial was first considered during his lifetime in 1793. No real action was taken until 1833 when the Washington National Monument Society was formed. Although funds were hard to come by, a final design was developed resulting in the present obelisk some 555 feet tall and reminiscent of the steles used by the ancient Egyptians to honor their heroes.

While the original cornerstone was laid on July 4, 1848, a political quarrel and lack of funds halted the project in 1854 with the shaft only about 150 feet high at which awkward position it remained through the Civil War years until work resumed in 1880. The capstone was set in place on December 1884, the dedication held on February 21, 1885, and the opening to the public in 1888.

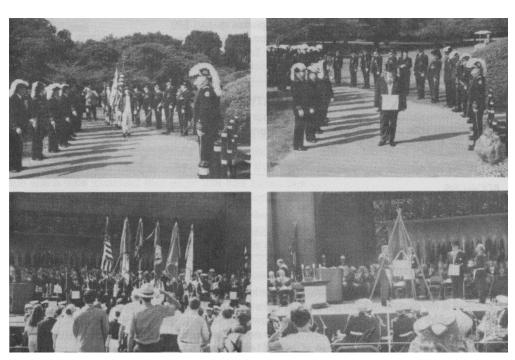
Let me conclude with two quotations from the original ceremony. The first is from the remarks of the Honorable Robert C. Winthrop, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives: This widespread

Republic is the true monument to Washington. Maintain its independence. Uphold its Constitution. Preserve its Union. Defend its Liberty. Let it stand before the world in all its original strength and beauty, securing peace, order, equality and freedom to all within its boundaries, shedding light, and hope, and joy, upon the pathway of human liberty throughout the world; and Washington needs no other monument."

Finally, the closing words of the remarks of Most Worshipful Benjamin B. French, illustrative of his remarkable capabilities with the pen:

"He burst the fetters of the land, He taught us to be free, He raised the dignity of man, And bade a Nation be."

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Comments from 1998 Pilgrim Ministers

Dear Knights Templar:

It is now six months since I returned from our Knights Templar Holy Land Pilgrimage. Every day since then has been filled with memories of that life transforming experience. I have presented four programs on the life of Christ as informed by my firsthand walk in the footsteps of Jesus and have found a new depth of understanding under girding my personal Bible study and sermon presentations.

No words can adequately express my deep gratitude to the Knights Templar for making this tremendous contribution to my life and ministry. Each time I read the Bible, I **see** the places we visited as if they were the home in which I was raised. I still remember the words spoken by the citizens of Jerusalem as we entered the Holy City. They did not say "Welcome to Jerusalem." Their words were more powerful and much deeper in meaning: "Welcome home."

Just as those who welcomed us realize that Jerusalem does not belong to them alone, so I realize that my Holy Land experience is to be shared and - in a sense - doesn't belong to me. This should not be surprising to any person of faith as we realize that everything we have belongs to the Lord. The Knights Templar certainly live out this understanding in their longtime and very generous practice of sending pastors, cost free, to the Holy Land. Yours is a gift that truly keeps on giving. The impact of this gift through enriching the lives and ministry of pastors like myself is beyond measure.

Thanks again to all the Knights Templar whose prayers and gifts made this trip possible. I will never forget what has been done for me, and I will never cease proclaiming the truth of God's love and the sacrifice of Jesus Christ everywhere the Lord may send me.

Reverend Paul Andrew Coats North Highlands Presbyterian Church Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Sir Knights:

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for providing the trip to the Holy Land. This has been one of the high points of my ministry. I had always planned to make that pilgrimage, but I did not know how or when this would happen. Suddenly it was there. I am still a little shocked that all of this has taken place.

As you know, the things I learned would be used immediately in my ministry. I preached a sermon about my trip the first Sunday I was back at church. I am teaching a Bible study on Thursdays. As we talk about various places, I show them pictures of Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, etc. Members of the class say to me: "We understand it better now that we can see it!"

We were told in our orientation by Duane Kimmerly that this trip would change our ministry. I believe the effects are more far-reaching than I could have imagined. Thank you for helping to shape my ministry!

Louis A. Diehl, Minister First United Methodist Church Norwalk, Ohio

History of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America: Book II

CHAPTER IV

Period of Economic Inflation -1970-1982 (continued)

Fifty-second Conclave, 1973 (continued)

"...it becomes necessary to prescribe an official form for opening and closing such joint meetings, I, upon due consultation with and advisement from the Chairman of the Grand Encampment on Templar Jurisprudence, and by virtue of the power in me invested, do hereby declare that joint business meetings, as now permitted by action of Grand Encampment, are to be opened and closed in the following manner:

- 1. Commandery Officers take stations.
- 2. Commander calls for tiling of York Rite meeting.
- "3. Prayer.
- "4. Commander declares meeting open and presides for combined business meeting, taking up the items of the individual bodies in progressive (Chapter – Council - Commandery) or unified (one York Rite session) order.
- "5. Balloting, as provided, may be by all present - unless a Knight Templar objects or requests that petitions for Commandery be considered by Knights Templar only.
- "6. The combined meeting will be pronounced closed by the Commander following closing prayer."

It would seem that this information could be of great value to present-day operations where a Chapter, Council, and Commandery meet in the same building and have been conducting three separate meetings to take care of their business, particularly when all (or most) of the members of each body are also the members of the other (two) bodies!

At 11:00A.M. on Thursday, August 16, 1973 the following officers for the 53rd Triennium were installed: Sir Knights: Roy Wilford Rieale. Most Eminent Grand Master; Willard Meredith Avery, Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master; John Beddington Cottrell, Jr., Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo: Kenneth Culver Johnson, Right Eminent Grand Captain General, Edmund F. Ball, Right Eminent Grand Treasurer: Paul Charles Rodenhauser. Right Eminent Grand Recorder; and Reverend Basil Leroy Johnson, Right Eminent Grand Prelate.

Fifty-third Conclave, 1976

At 9:00 A.M. on Monday, August 30, 1976, Sir Knight Merlin R. Grundy, Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of Kansas and Chairman of the Kansas-Missouri Committee for the 53rd Triennial opened the preliminary Conclave. proceedings of the 53rd Triennial Conclave by introducing the dais officers and Wardens of the Grand Commanderies of Kansas and Missouri. Sir Knight Dee D. Dutweiler, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Kansas, gave a few words of welcome, followed by the welcome of Sir Knight John W. Irons, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri. Sir Knight Grundy then introduced the Grand Encampment officers. The Grand Master, Sir Knight Roy Wilford Reigle, introduced his escort, the Continentals of New Jersey, who had

"helped out" at the reception the previous night. Grand Prelate Johnson offered prayer, and the Grand Master called on the Grand Recorder, Sir Knight Paul C. Rodenhauser, to introduce distinguished guests, two of which were: Ralph D. Walker, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kansas, and Lewis C. Cook, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri. The Grand Commander of each grand iurisdiction was escorted to the East by a Continental carrying his state flag for him as he was introduced by the Grand Recorder. The distinguished lady guests were given the opportunity to speak before a recess was declared at 10:20: at 10:30 the First Business Session was convened.

Most Worshipful Brothers Cook and Walker each spoke for a few minutes. The roll of the Grand Encampment officers was called, the preliminary report of the Credentials Committee was made; then the Grand Master gave his report on the triennium. He explained the reason for the change of date for the Conclave. The Republican National Convention had been scheduled to meet in Kansas City following the Conclave, but a change in the starting date to August 16 had caused overlapping of the two meetings, which was not workable. After meeting and discussing the problem with all concerned, he had recommended that the Conclave change its starting date. He expressed the hope that the "turning of the corner" had arrived in the membership loss column; that we "are bound to show gains in the future."

About as many proposals were on the agenda for action as had been submitted at each of the past two Triennial With each succeeding Conclaves. Conclave it seems that most of the proposals that had failed were again proposed and that fewer and fewer of them succeeded in passing. Proposals which were approved at this Conclave were: 1) Section 62(c) was changed to its present form: every officer of Constituent or Subordinate Commandery

must possess a dress uniform and retain possession of it during his incumbency in office; 2) Sections 247 and 250 were changed to allow Grand Encampment officers and officers of Subordinate Commanderies to wear the same uniform as officers of that of Constituent Commanderies.

Those which failed were proposed changes to: 1) Section 85, which would have allowed a change to the Constitution with a 2/3 vote rather than a 3/4 vote, and to the Statutes with a majority vote rather than a 2/3 vote; 2) Section 1 which would have changed that part of the name of the organization from U.S.A." to International"; 3) Sections 23, 41, 62, 241, 242, 243, 244, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 258, and 262 would have changed the wording from "Templar dress uniform" to 'uniform Templar dress" and allowed either the cap and mantle or the "traditional" uniform; 4) Sections 12, 19, 25, 26, 27, 32, 43, $104,104^{1}/_{2}$, 141, 235, 242(c), 247(c), 248(c), 249(b), and 261 would have deleted the office of 'Deputy Grand Master"; 5) Section 43 would have deleted the office of "Deputy Grand Commander": 6) Sections 43, 54, and 55 would have allowed for certain appointive administrative offices in а Commandery and specified their relative rank; and (7) Sections 54 and 55 would have given the Grand Commanders the honorary title of "Most Eminent," similar to those in the Grand Chapters (Royal Arch Masons) and Grand Councils (Royal and Select Masters). proposed change to Section 18¹/₂ concerning Life Sponsors for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation was withdrawn.

The Committee for Easter Sunrise Service had learned two weeks before the service in 1974 that the "furnishing of the facilities and music support by the Department of Defense was in conflict with a regulation of the Department of Defense"; however, the service was permitted and things were corrected to allow use in the future as in the past. Expenses had increased to about \$4,000.00 per year.

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Brother Audie Leon From War Hero to Movie star

by Dr. Ivan M Thb KYCET. 32



A poor lad from a Texas sharecropper family, grade school dropout, orphaned at sixteen, goes off to war, becomes an acclaimed military hero who then goes on to win fame and fortune in Hollywood. It sounds like the impossible, yet for Audie Murphy it happened. However, if Murphy remained alive today, he would no doubt reluctantly concede that it didn't happen often.

Audie Leon Murphy was born near Kingston in Hunt County, Texas, on June 20, 1924. Although his family was financially poor, his direct ancestors had compiled fine military records in the American Revolution, the War of 1812, and the Civil War. Other kinfolk had fought in the Texas Revolution, Mexican War, and World War I. Besides Audie, two more brothers saw World War II action.

The young Audie Murphy faced a hard scrabble existence. As a song lyric reads "daylight to dark, work's never done, Lord have mercy on a sharecropper's son." The story goes that Audie learned to be a crack shot because the family depended on his hunting for much of their meat supply and money for bullets was so scarce, that a missed shot meant no food on the table.

In 1936 Emmett Murphy deserted his family. Audie quit school and went to work full time as a farm hand. He did whatever had to be done to help his mother and keep the rest of the family together. Then at sixteen his mother, Josie Bell Murphy, died. Audie, the oldest child at home, faced up to the dilemma of placing the younger children in an orphanage and going to work in the county seat at a combination grocery-service station. When World War II came

along he initially tried to enlist in the Marines but was rejected for being underweight. Finally, at eighteen, the US Army took him as an infantry man (or boy).

After some months of training at Camp Fort Wolters. Texas. and Meade. Maryland; Private Murphy arrived Casablanca, Morocco, in February 1943, assigned to Company B, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment of the 3rd Infantry Although Murphy saw Division. combat action in North Africa, his unit would more than make up for it when the campaigns in Sicily and Italy began. Later he also experienced the war close up in the invasion of Southern France and finally inside Germany.

Audie related his experiences and of the classic account war in the autobiography, To Hell and Back (New York: Henry Holt and Co., 1949). Modestly told, you would hardly know from reading the text that Murphy had emerged from the conflict as the most renowned citizen soldier of his era. Audie earned more medals than anyone else in the army during that war including three Purple Hearts for actions on September 15, 1944; October 26, 1944; and January 25, 1945. His Medal of Honor resulted from actions in France on January 26, 1945. By this time he became a second lieutenant and commanded Company B. His citation concluded Murphy's indomitable courage and his refusal to give an inch of ground saved his company from possible encirclement and destruction, enabling it to hold the woods which had been the enemy's objective.

Audie's original postwar objective had been to go to West Point, but his service related injuries prevented it. He did, however, fulfill his promise to get his younger siblings out of the orphanage and bought a home for older sister Corrinne so she could help rear the children.

Audie Murphy's wartime heroics landed his photo on the cover of the July 16, 1945 issue of *Life*. Among those who saw his picture was film star James Cagney, who thought the young soldier had Hollywood potential. Audie, in fact, came to California and stayed for several weeks, but as no offers were forthcoming, he departed. Later he would return and his luck would change. In the meantime, he experienced a triumphant homecoming in his honor, held at Farmersville, Texas, and an Audie Murphy day at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn. He also made a return trip to Europe at the behest of the US Army.

Finally, a Hollywood deal came through. Audie landed a small part in an Alan Ladd - Donna Reed Paramount film titled Beyond Glory. In this offering he played the part of a West Point cadet. Murphy had another small role in another picture, Texas, Brooklyn, and Heaven. His movie career seemed to be going nowhere until the tall of 1948 when he landed a major role in Bad Boy, an Allied Artist feature in which he played a juvenile delinquent who is rehabilitated at a place called "Boy's Ranch" in Texas.

Finally, Murphy's career in Hollywood began to zoom upward. So did his romantic le as he had begun to court and on January 8, 1949 married a young star named Wanda Hendrix, whose petiteness matched Audie's perpetual youthfulness. Universal International offered him a seven-vear contract at \$2,500 weekly, and he moved into the starring role in *The Kid from Texas*, another film in a long list of movies about Billy the Kid. He then costarred with Wanda in another western titled Sierra. However, by the time the picture was released in June 1950, the couple's marriage was headed for

the divorce courts in the manner of many show business linkages.

After another western titled Kansas Raiders, in which he portrayed Jesse James, Audie, on loan to MGM, starred as Henry Fleming in The Red Badge of Courage, an adaptation of Stephen Crane's Civil War novel. More than his previous films this boosted his stature as an actor. As one critic wrote Audie Murphy gives a sensitive performance, wonderfully conveying.. .the fall.. .of a man in combat." Universal followed this success by placing their star in eight consecutive westerns, the most notable being Destry, the third Hollywood rendition of Max Brand's famed novel, Destry Rides Again. Meanwhile, on April 23, 1951, Audie married again to Archer. Pamela former airline а stewardess. This union endured and produced two children, Terry and James (nicknamed Skipper), on March 14, 1952 and March 23, 1954, respectively.

By 1954 one could conclude that Audie had achieved stardom, albeit he was being increasingly typecast in westerns. That fall he began filming his own story, To Hell and Back, which turned out to be Universal's biggest hit up to that time. Premiering in August 1955 in four Texas cities, the film quickly began to set attendance records and grossed some ten million in its initial theatrical release. He also made some ten percent of the net profits on the picture, which totaled up to some \$387,000 through October 1966. Prior to the release of his film autobiography, Murphy starred in a boxing picture titled *The World in His Corner* with Barbara Rush. However, the public seemed to prefer their hero either in westerns or war movies (or a combination of both). He did a different type of western in Walk the Proud Land, the story of Apache Indian agent, John Clum, who pioneered in encouraging selfgovernment on reservations. A military comedy, Joe Butterfly, set in postwar Japan represented Murphy's only effort in a humorous mode, although several of his westerns had their lighter moments.



Audie Murphy as John P. Clum in Walk the Proud Land, 1956

Meanwhile, Audie Leon Murphy had begun his Masonic journeys by joining North Hollywood Lodge No. 542. He was initiated an Entered Apprentice February 14, 1955; passed to the degree of Fellowcraft on April 4, 1955; and was Raised a Master Mason on June 27, 1955. On May 14, 1956, he became a plural member of Heritage Lodge No. 764, also in North Hollywood. He retained membership for the rest of his life.

Murphy had purchased a home in Dallas in the early fifties although he never lived in it on a regular basis. He did continue his Masonic endeavors there completing his Scottish Rite degrees in Dallas on November 14, 1957. In October 1965 he received the KCCH and less than two months before his death moved his Scottish Rite membership to the Valley of Long Beach. California.

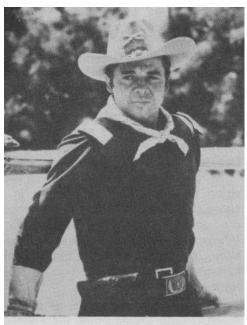
Audie Murphy's movie career continued to move forward in the later fifties as the older B pictures had faded into the past and 'adult westerns" dominated the television screens; the former war hero ranked among the few

remaining cowboy film stars. Among his more memorable efforts from this period are *The Guns of Fort Petticoat* with Kathryn Grant (Crosby), *Night Passage* in which he costarred with the late James Stewart, *and The Wild and the Innocent*, where he portrayed a trapper who pursued dance hall queen Joanne Dru and was in turn pursued by the youthful teen star, Sandra Dee, who eventually got her man.

Murphy also had a brief fling with television adult westerns by starring in a series about the introduction of more modern police methods in Denver titled Whispering Smith. Twenty-six shows were filmed, but the series lasted through only thirteen of them. It was aired on the NBC Network in mid-1961.

Although his TV series did not endure. Audie's motion picture career continued to do well through the mid-sixties. The decade began with the release of Hell Bent for Leather in February 1960, a film that also starred Felicia Farr and Stephen McNally, the latter playing the part of a trigger-happy law officer who pursues Murphy in a case of mistaken identity. He did non-westerns in that era, another World War II drama, Battle at Bloody Beach, in 1961, and Trunk to Cairo in 1965. However, cowboy films remained his main bread-and-butter. Among his more notable pictures from this time are included Posse from Hell (1960). Black Horses (1962),Gunfight Comanche Creek (1963), and Bullet for a Badman (1964). A Murphy film that might be of some interest to Masons, Gunpoint (1965), featured two other noted members of the fraternity, Edgar Buchanan and Royal Dano, in strong support roles.

Murphy also made something of a name for himself as a songwriter. Roy Clark, Eddy Arnold, and Jimmy Dean were among those who recorded his efforts. His best known composition, co-authored with Scott Turner, was "Shutters and Boards," which made the Pop Top 30 for Jerry



Audie Murphy in 40 Guns to Apache Pass, 1966.

Wallace in 1963 and the Country Top 30 for Slim Whitman in 1970.

From 1965, Audie Murphy's movie career began to fade. He made a pair of films for Columbia, *The Texan* (1966), and 40 Guns to Apache Pass (1967), the former of which was shot near Barcelona, Spain. In 1969 the one-time war hero tried his hand at producing in a picture titled A Time for Dying, in which Hollywood veteran Budd Boetticher did the directing. Audie himself had a small role. However, the production was never really finished, and the producer was still trying to raise funds to complete the picture at the time of his untimely death.

Audie Murphy died in a plane crash on May 28, 1971 near Galax, Virginia. Some days elapsed before the bodies were recovered. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery on June 7, 1971. Future President George Bush was numbered among those who attended his funeral. Two years later his country honored him by naming the Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veteran's Hospital in San Antonio, Texas, for him. In 1996, his

movie contributions received recognition with his induction into the "Hall of Great Western Performers" at the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City. His pictures are shown regularly on TV, and several are available on videocassette. Like Sergeant Alvin York from World War I, Audie Leon Murphy has become the personification of the heroic citizen soldier. On top of these achievements, Brother Murphy needs to be remembered as one of the most distinguished Masons of his era.

Note: There are two biographies of Audie Murphy, Harold B. Simpson's Audie Murphy: American Soldier (Hillsboro, TX, Hill College Press, 1975) is out of print, while Sue Gossett's The Films and Career of Audie Murphy (Madison, NC: Empire Publishing, Inc., 1996) remains available. For Murphy's Masonic record lam indebted to Grand Secretary David L. Dresser of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, and to John Cooper II, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of California, and staff member Eileen M. Irbv. His Scottish Rite record was researched by A.& A.SR., S.J. Librarian Joan Sansbury. Thanks to my student aid Miss Abby Gail Goodnite for preparation of this manuscript and editing advice. One may also wish to Audie consult the Murphy Research Foundation at 18008 Saratoga Way, Suite 516. Santa Clanta. California 91351.



Grave of Audie Leon Murphy in Arlington National Cemetery.

Sir Knight Ivan M. Tribe, KYCH, 32°, a professor of history at the University of Rio Grande, Rio Grand, 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

- 316. Richard L. Graff, Apollo Commandery No. 1 Wheaton, IL. 7-15-98.
- 317. Donald P. Garrido, Panama Canal Commandery No. 1 Balboa, Republic of Panama. 7-23-98.
- 318. Edward M. Row, St. Elmo Commandery No. 13 Batesville, AR. 8-7-98.
- 319. Ernest H. Fry, Tampa-Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 Tampa, FL. 8-7-98.
- 320. Thomas W. Vann, Tampa-Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8 Tampa, FL. 8-7-98. (jewel and 3 bronze clusters)
- James M. Williams, Hugh de Paynes Commandery No. 4 St. Joseph, MO. 8-14-98.
- 322. Ronald E. Wood, Jr., Hugh de Paynes Commandery No. 4 St. Joseph, MO. 8-14-98.
- Michael D. Autry, St. Bernard Commandery No. 25
 Covington, GA. 8-14-98.
- 324. Wilbur Edwin Johnson, Ruthven Commandery No. 2 Houston, TX. 8-19-98.
- 325. Leonard 0. Pierce, Ruthven Commandery No. 2 Houston, TX. 8-19-98.

KCT and GCT Award Recipients: A 2.5 inch diameter, embroidered emblem has been produced for use on mantles and blazers of KCT recipients. Emblem is to be centered on the Cross that adoms the left side of the mantle or ceremonial robe or on the left side (on pocket) of a dress blazer. The same use for the GCT emblem which is bordered with a wreath. The cost of the KCT emblem is \$8.50 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling, and the cost of the GCT emblem is \$10.00 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. Contact Jon Patrick Sweet, 7474 Benton Street, Westminster, CO 80003-7001, or phone at (303) 430-8483.



Rhode Island Assembly, S.O.O.B., Holds Flea Market

Pawtucket Assembly No. 217, S.O.O.B., Rhode Island, held its first ever flea market. Shown are Joyce Payton and her Sir Knight Bob, Sir Knight Steve Smith, Filomena Watson, Steve's Lady Grace, and Colleen Payton. The day was a success due to the efforts of the Sir Knights and ladies.





On the Masonic Newsfront...

Georgetown University Doctor Receives KTEF Grant



Rosemary D. Higgins, M.D., assistant professor of pediatrics, Georgetown University Medical Center, Department of Pediatrics, Washington, DC, is the recipient of a \$20,000.00 grant from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation for her study entitled "Retinopathy of Prematurity and Vasoconstriction." ROP is a serious eye problem faced by infants born prematurely, and it can lead to severe vision impairment and blindness. The goal of the project is to determine changes that occur in blood vessels

prior to and during the development of this devastating disease and to see if changes can be modified by drugs used to treat high blood pressure. Ultimately a prevention, early intervention, or treatment may be found for this blinding disease. In the picture Grand Commander Urban T. Peters (right), District of Columbia, presents the award to Dr. Higgins.

Florida Sir Knights Congratulate Pilgrim Minister

Pastor David J. Nixon, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Winter Park, Florida, was selected for the 1998 Holy Land Pilgrimage. Sir Knights from Florida Commanderies attended a church service to thank Pastor Nixon's congregation for permitting the pastor to take time from his ministry for the trip and to congratulate him for his invitation. From left are: Sir Knight Harry J. Blankenship, P.D.D.G.C., Olivet No. 4,



Orlando; Sir Knight Robert W. Young, Grand Recorder of Florida, Brevard No. 24; Pastor David J. Nixon; Sir Knight Frederick L. Piasecki, Grand Captain General of Florida, Pilgrim No. 7, Gainsville; and Sir Knight John W. Carroll, D.D.G.C., Olivet No. 4, Orlando.

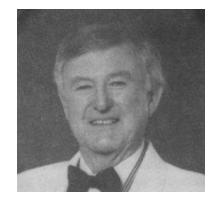
George Fred Harrington, National President, National Sojourners, Inc.

Sir Knight George F. Harrington was installed as the National President of National Sojourners in ceremonies held during the 78th Annual Convention held in Seattle, Washington.

Born in Killingly, Connecticut, July 29, 1923, he attended Admiral Billard Academy in New London after high school, entered the United States Army and eventually was selected to attend USMA at West Point in 1944, graduating in 1947. He served at every level of the Air Force and DOD, was an adjutant during the Berlin Airlift, was awarded a M.B.A. from Harvard University in 1957, attended Armed Forces Staff College in 1961, and over the years was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal. Sir Knight Harrington began a second career with Beech Aircraft in 1978 and retired as vice president in 1985.

He was raised, Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, Alexandria, Virginia, 1980, and became a Sojourner, 1981. He is a Past Master of Washington (Virginia) Lodge No. 78. Some of his other Masonic affiliations are:

Alexandria Valley Scottish Rite (KOCH); Mt. Vernon Royal Arch Masons No. 14; Virginia Council No. 12, Knight Masons; the Grand Council of Knights Masons; Washington & Lee York Rite College No. 93; Old Dominion Commandery No. 11, Knights Templar; and KENA Temple, AAONMS; Royal Order of Jesters, Tall Cedars of Lebanon; Lodge of Research; Scottish Rite Research Society; Royal Order of Scotland; Key Club Society. He is a holder of the Legion of Honor of the Order of DeMolay.



Sir Knight Harrington and his wife Ruth have two daughters and one son.

News from Illinois Masonic Medical Center, Chicago

Nicole Jimenez, six, welcomes the newest addition to her toy family after a recent visit to the ER at IMMC. Thanks to a new program sponsored by IMMC Foundation Board of Directors, Nicole was one of the first children to receive a cuddly bear from Cynthia Grant (left), MSW, Crisis Intervention Coordinator, Emergency Department, and Ron Lopez (right), RN, acting director, Emergency Nursing.



"We see approximately four hundred young patients a month in our ER. Naturally, this can be an anxious time for these children, so the bears help ease their apprehension and leave them with a positive feeling about their visit," said Grant. The bears are outfitted with a light green T-shirt saying: "In case of a medical emergency, take me to Illinois Masonic."

Louisiana S.O.O.B. Join Their Sir Knights in Memorial Day Service



Shreveport and Minden Assemblies joined together with the Sir Knights of Minden Crusader Commandery No. 21 and Shreveport Ascension Commandery No. 6, along with representatives of Masonic service organizations, in a Memorial Day service at Hill Crest Cemetery, Haughton, Louisiana, on Memorial Day. They placed a wreath in honor of veterans who have served our country and those who died in the defense of our country. The Sir Knights included Right Worshipful David C. Hall, D.D.G.M. of District No. 1; Illustrious Grand

Master of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, Roy E. May; Chief Rabban, Freddie Altman, El Karuban Shrine; Reverend Thomas P. Brown, Grand Chaplain, Grand Council, Cryptic Masons of Louisiana; Reverend Albert Huckaby; Jack W. Bridges, Past Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council, Cryptic Masons; Robert V. Roberts III, Commander, Crusader No. 21; Larry B. Ledbetter, Commander, Ascension No. 6; Frank Carrol; Earl Wright; Rex Woodard; Jack Giles; Lee Thompson; K. 0. Lunsford. The S.O.O.B. included Mrs. Jack (Olivia) Bridges, Mrs. Earl (Nelia) Wright, Mrs. Dovey DeLee, Mrs. Roy (Viva) May, Mrs. Jack (Macel) Giles, Mrs. Larry (Trellis) Ledbetter

Ottumwa, Iowa Assembly, S.O.O.B., Initiates at Supreme Visit

Mrs. Rick Butler (center) signs the Bible of Supreme Worthy President, Mrs. Dean Porter (right), following the Supreme Visit at Ottumwa No. 9, assisted by Assembly Ottumwa President, Mrs. Thomas Bachtell (left). The Supreme Worthy President's Bible was a gift from her Sir Knight Dean Porter at her installation last September. Mrs. Butler is the wife of Sir Knight Rick Butler, Grand Jr. Warden of the state of Iowa and Commander of St. Commandery of John's Centerville. Bachtell is the wife of Sir Knight Thomas



Bachtell, Past Commander of St. Omer Commandery of Burlington, Iowa. Ottumwa Assembly No. 9 represents ten Commanderies in central and southeast Iowa and is presently receiving donations for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation with a stay-athome tea party.

Grand Conclave of Pennsylvania Honors Social Order of the Beauceant



The S.O.O.B. was honored at the Grand Conclave of Pennsylvania, a first for the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Howard McClure, P.S.W.P., was escorted through the Arch of Steel and greeted by the Most Eminent Grand Master, Sir Knight James M. Ward. Twenty other Beauceant ladies, including the Supreme Chaplain, Mrs. Thomas Jones II, and the Supreme Recorder, Mrs. Joseph Chalker, were presented and greeted by the Grand Master.

Mrs. McClure spoke at the ladies' luncheon about the S.O.O.B., the possibility of constituting another Assembly in PA, and how to go about doing so. She also spoke at the Grand Banquet, giving a brief history of the S.O.O.B. and its support of the KTEF. It is the hope of Sir Knight David Kempfer, P.G.C., to constitute a new Assembly in the Harrisburg area. His Lady Alma is a member of Westminster Assembly in Maryland.

DeMolay International 1998 Alumni Association Hall of Fame Induction

DeMolay International and the DeMolay Congress held their annual meeting this spring at the Westin Crown Center Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri, and the highlight of that meeting was the DeMolay Alumni Hall of Fame Induction Banquet.

At this year's induction DeMolay International was proud and honored to induct Roy E. Fitzgerald and David C. Goodnow, news anchor for CNN Headline News in Atlanta, Georgia. Brother Fitzgerald is a Senior DeMolay from Tonkawa Chapter, Tonkawa, Oklahoma, and Brother Goodnow is a Senior DeMolay from Vincennes Chapter, Vincennes, Indiana.

Brothers Fitzgerald and Goodnow join other famous DeMolays already inducted, such as John Wayne, Walt Disney, Mel Blanc, Paul Harvey, Burl Ives, and Buddy Ebsen.

Brother Fitzgerald, more commonly known as Friday,"is a past DeMolay Executive Officer of Oklahoma (1952-1954), and in 1954 he was called to service by DeMolay founder, Frank S. Land, to be his assistant and director of field activities at the DeMolay headquarters in Kansas City. Friday was Executive Assistant to the Governor of Oklahoma, 1950-1954, and retired as a Senior Vice President of Fidelity National Bank & Trust Company in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. When notified of his election into the Hall of Fame and asked what DeMolay had meant to him, Brother Fitzgerald responded, "DeMolay and Frank Land had a profound influence in my entire life."

Unable to be in attendance for his induction due to his health, Brother Fitzgerald's son Don traveled to Kansas City to receive the honor for his father. Brother Don relayed that his father was deeply moved by the honor and that DeMolay was certainly a large part of his life and continues to be in his thoughts.

The second inductee of the evening was Brother Goodnow He and his wife Fran were present for his induction, and the induction attendees were captivated by the words that Brother Goodnow shared as he spoke. His message is as follows:

Thoughts to Share with a Young DeMolay

One very simple truth is this: none of us.. whether DeMolays or not... have any idea how or to what extent our lives have impacted upon others, others we don't even know. We never know all of it in this life. Someday we will, but not now.

Young man, if you think who you are and how you conduct yourself aren't being observed closely by others, think again. Give yourself some credit. You might be more of a trendsetter than you know. Some people may hold you in high esteem, and you do not even know it. They may seek to imitate you in their lives. You may unconsciously be giving them cues from your actions. Impressionable young people may seek to duplicate you.

It's like the pebble tossed in the pond. The waves it makes may be small, but they

spread out to affect many parts of that pond ... possibly some distance away. From where we stand on the shore, we may not see where all the affects of the waves are felt in the pond. But the effects are there.

What if you knew someone you would meet on a certain day would be strongly influenced by you? How would your day be changed? Would you have to be "on your guard' so as to make a difference in that other life?

Young DeMolay, what if you could rewind any day in your life that you were not on your guard? You could evaluate what you said and did. Now, what if part of that replay would include those who observed you? This was something you didn't know at the time. You could see how they were effected by what they saw you

say and do. It's too bad we don't have that kind of imaginary replay machine. It could be our personal monitor to show and tell us when we drop the ball.

It is possible, in this day and age, to live an honorable life that spells achievement of one's goals while also paving the way for someone else who may not have the tools to put it all together. You can do both. You don't have to choose one or the other. You can help that someone along the way by leadership and example.

When we became DeMolays we learned about certain rules that we're supposed to observe to govern our lives. We learned about the paramount nature of reverence, patriotism, love, courtesy, comradeship, faithfulness and cleanness. If we really learn to live by those rules, we will have made the giant step that ultimately means achievement.

We DeMolays are not actors who can "put on a face" to set a good example and then take it off like a mask to relax and put our mental feet up somewhere. If we operate that way, we will undoubtedly fail someone when he arrives at a critical point in his life. He may have somehow dropped the ball. He may desperately need the leadership you can provide at that very moment. You can't say "I'll get back to you later." No. Your leadership and example are needed right then, young man.

Each life has its own certain number of days to be spent. Of course we don't know how many of those days we have. To waste them is to waste a gift. We DeMolays could be doing so much to make a positive difference in the lives of others.

Not every day will bring you great success or even a small victory. Don't you just love it when some days come along and everything seems to go wrong? Yes," you say. "ft must be true what some people think. Bad things come in threes...or maybe fours or even fives." Those are the days when we want someone to come along and help us.

Do you think everyone may have been helped by a kind person in some way? It may have been a teacher who went the

extra mile to help days, weeks or even many years ago. It may have been someone who helped you get a job or was there to help you in your new job when you asked for guidance. Do you have any obligation if that has happened to you? If so, what do you think it is? I suggest two things: first, we all have been helped in this way, and second, we should PASS IT ON! When you have a chance to help, don't pass it up, PASS IT ON. You undoubtedly thanked the one who helped you when you asked for it. But it didn't end there. There is an obligation. You can carry on with that kindness, and it may not even take much time. Passing it on may become a very agreeable habit.

Young DeMolay, the job of living means many things. One is that we leave footprints of a sort. Our words have had meaning.. .at school, at home, at work. So has all that we have been, are now, and will be as people. The lives of those who are interested in helping others are part of a great mosaic. It builds through the generations. We may work at living decent, helpful, and productive lives. but we don't live forever. When we pass from this life to the next, others come along who will take up the baton and run the relay, doing their part, leaving their footprints. Each of us is a part of that greater picture. That is why the study of history is so important. It is the record of human failing and achievement. It is there for all to see and know about. It shows what and doesn't work in relationships. It's not rocket science. ft's all right there for us to see and learn from K we want to. You might also think ft is an interesting study of those footprints.

How would history have been changed if special kindness had been extended by certain people at certain times? If you do your reading on the subject, you know there have been many instances where lives could have been changed for the better by positive actions of a person or even a group of people.

Let's speculate for a moment on how the lives of some of history's most awful dictators might have been changed when they were

children. Was there an event or series of things that happened to warp the child that might have been overcome by the positive actions of another? Could that positive action have been simply the upstanding, honest character of another person? How might this have affected a young Adolph Hitler, Joseph Stalin, Hidecki Tojo, Pol Pot, or Saddam Hussein? Millions of lives might have been saved if the massacres they caused had not happened. Take a moment and ponder how things might have been changed years ago by the actions and upstanding character of a person who could influence a young mind in a positive way. Is there a young person out there right now who could become one of the world's next dictators unless someone steps in to lead by example?

DeMolays can be a force for good in their homes, schools, jobs, communities, and lives. The precepts are not complicated. The rules are simple. Why? So all can see, understand, and apply them. It doesn't take a Ph.D. to know how to make your le an example for good. You are already out in front in many ways by your decision to become a member of the Order of DeMolay.

There are those who don't know what DeMolay stands for. The only things they may ever know about DeMolay and you is what they see you doing and saying in your life. Telling people how to live is one thing. Demonstrating it by your actions is another thing altogether. It is leading sometimes by unintended example. Talk

is cheap. Young people get a lot of free advice of all kinds. Some of that advice is worth every dollar they spent for it.

Each inductee was presented with a bronze plaque identical to the one placed on the Alumni Hall of Fame Induction Board in the lobby of the DeMolay Service & Leadership Center in Kansas City, Missouri. Prior to the plaque presentations and acceptance speeches, a video highlighting the life and career of this year's inductees was viewed.

Two men... both Masons.. .both senior DeMolays. Each from a different generation. Each declared that DeMolay had much to do with who they are and the path that each chose in life.



Brother David Goodnow



Grand Commander Of Virginia Receives Key To The City Of Portsmouth

Pictured is Sir Knight David G. Mathews, Right Eminent Grand Commander of Virginia, as he received the key to the city of Portsmouth, Virginia, from Mayor James Holley II at the banquet that preceded the Grand Commander's official visit to Portsmouth Commandery No. 5 in June of 1998



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For sate Knights Templar shoulder straps, all ranks, embroidered in gold and silver bullion on velvet with velcro backs: Past Commander (red); serving Generalissimo, Captain Commander, Prelate (green): Generalissimo, Captain General, and Prelate Emeritus serving 7 or more years in rank (red): \$40.00 pair plus \$5.00 S & H. Also: Honorary Past Commander with H.C. in Old English, \$45.00; Grand Commandery, \$45.00; extra fancy Grand Commandery, \$50.00; Past Grand Commander (purple), \$50.00 (all plus \$5.00 S & H). Also: chapeaux crosses: Sir Knight, \$35.00; Past Commander, \$40.00; Grand Commandery, \$45.00 all plus \$5.00 S & H. Part of all monies go to Masonic and York Rite charities. Checks to and mail to Jacques N. Jacobsen, Jr., P.C.; 60 Manor Road; Staten Island; NY 10310-2698.

Wanted: information on Woonsocket Commandery No. 24. I have a sword from that Commandery that I want to do research on. Also, I would like to buy back issues of Knight Templar and The Scottish Rite Journal before 1994 and a gold York Rite ring in good shape. I am always looking to buy antique Masonic items. Stove Kapp, 301 IS, PS. C. 76 Box 8285; APO AP 96319-8285

I have an assortment of early Knights Templar Triennial Conclave badges, approximately 20-25 different ones, and would like to know if anyone collects such items for private collections or Masonic museums. I would be interested in selling these as individual pieces or as a group. Rudy Sterback, 115 Nichols Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484-5824.

Wanted: two gold Commander's swords and five silver Sir Knight's swords. Also, want a number of P.O. coats, sizes 40 to 46. Please call the Recorder of Hesperus Commandery No. 8 of the slate of Washington Leo Polka, (604) 520-9611.

Masonic lodges No. 18 and No. 92, F. & A.M., Racine, Wisconsin, have a supply of beautiful 150th anniversary antique bronze coins for sale. The coin is 1.32 inches in diameter with rolled edge 3/32-inch thick. Face of coin has Free & Accepted Masons, Racine, Wisconsin' on inside border, center with "150 Years, 1848-1998.' Reverse side has square/compass center with working tools around and with seeing eye above. Price is \$10.00, including postage and handling. Send checks or money orders to Los Lee R. Lucareli, 1012 S. Main Street; Racine, WI 53403.

For sale: C.P.O. coats, poly-wool, summer weight; sizes: 44 short, 44X long, and 46 short. \$23.00 includes shipping and handling. 10¹/₁, of all sales will be donated to KTEF. General Merchandise Company; 13690 Broad Street, S. W; Pataskala; OH 43062, (614) 927-7073.

in For sale: medals of bronze alloy for Grand Master Gary A. Davis ('96) and Grand Master Ronald E. Johnson ('97). We have about 60 remaining of 250 each. Price is \$6.00 each, including postage, or \$10.00 for a pair, postage free. Richard A. Hicks, 6213 N. W. 75th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73132-5631.

Danville Masonic Hall Association, Danville, Pennsylvania, has a supply of plates commemorating the 150th anniversary of Danville Lodge No. 224 and the 125th anniversary of Mahoning Lodge No. 516. This plate also commemorates the opening of the new Danville Masonic center. The 9 and 1/4 inch blue and white plate with gold rim has a brief printed history of the two lodges on the back. Price of plate is \$18.00 including postage. Make checks or money orders payable to Danville Masonic Hall Assn., P.O. Box 62, Danville, PA 17821.

Lizella Lodge No. 663, F. & AM., Lizella, Georgia. has 1998 commemorative, golden bronze

coins available for \$5.00 each, plus \$1.00 postage and handling. Check or money order payable to *Paul L. Parks*, 749 Grenada Ten-ace, Macon, GA 31206.

Ennis Masonic Lodge No. 369, A.F. & AM., Ennis, Texas, has a supply of 125th anniversary coins for sale. The coins are 2 inches in diameter and have an antique bronze finish. The face of the coin has the square and compass inside the outline of Texas with the Lodge name and city around the circumference. The hack has "Celebrating 125 years, 1873-1998." The price is \$6.00 per coin including shipping and handling. All proceeds above the cost of the coin will be used to supplement our Lamar Scholarship funds. Checks or money orders made payable to Ennis Masonic Lodge No. 369 and mail 10 Cecil Curry 2002 Memphis Dave, Ennis, TX 75119.

For sale: The Medal of Honor The Letter G in Valor, a 268-page digest containing the names, congressional citations, and Lodge membership of all Masons who have received our nation's highest military award for bravery. This book is a must for all Masonic history buffs. Send check or money order for \$21.95 (CT residents, \$23.27) to Weidner Publishing Group, Dept. K; 40 Cornwall Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410. For faster service use your credit card and call 1 (800) 783-9654 The author's portion of profits from the sales of these books will benefit the Knights Templar Eye

For sale: gold color Knights Templar lapel pin for \$4.00 each. Also available a York Rite cap with six-color embroidery showing Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery emblems. Specify white or dark blue cap. Each is \$11.00 plus \$1.00 postage. Part of each sale goes to York Rite charities. Robert Haert, PO. Box 433, Famington, NM 87499.

For sale: In Memoriam booklet, $5^{1}/_{2}$ by $8^{1}/_{2}$, from Blue Lodge to family of deceased Brother. Card stock cover with 5 parchment-like pages including personal history page. The "Lodge's Memorial" presents Masonic sympathies and convictions in $2^{1}/_{2}$ pages, and a signature page for Brethren. Quality presentation for family, especially if no Masonic service or Brother lived away. \$3.75 each including postage or ten (10) for \$23.50. Satisfaction or refund. Check to *Monument Lodge, Po. Box 743, Houlton, ME 04730*.

For sale: Masonic promotional items custom printed from your camera-ready artwork at discount prices. We offer all Masonic affiliated bodies a wide selection of promotional items to choose from - coffee mugs to lapel pins and calendars to tine writing instruments - all customized with your Masonic bodies' logo and message. 3% of your total order will be donated to your favorite Masonic charity. Contact *Brother Frank Looser* today for details and ordering information at (800) 76.5-1728. Satisfaction guaranteed.

For sale: a 1924 Dudley watch with a copy of an appraisal by C. Clark Julius. Please send any inquiries to *John P Manges, 1447 Alexander Avenue, Chantersburg, PA 17201.* I am hearing disabled and unable to correspond via the telephone.

Sprig of Acacia lapel pins: Each handcrafted pin is sterling silver with a 24K gold vermeil. Also available in an antiqued silver finish. Price is only \$10.00 per pin including S & H. 10% of proceeds will benefit the KTEF. These unique pins are available only through S. Kenneth Baril, 1630 Orchard Hi!! Road, Cheshire, CT 06410-3728, (203) 272-7579.

Wanted: Masonic Chapter pennies by avid collector. I have been building this collection for 25 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 Storck Sr.; 775 W. Roger Road, No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (520) 888-7585.

For sale: stamps mostly Masonic first day issue. Bids will be accepted on approx. 200. All proceeds will benefit Tonawanda Lodge No. 247, F. & A.M. Send request for list to *Thomas A. Starnes*, 156 Utica Street, Tonawanda, NY 14150-5432.

Wanted: gold, folding, hinged Masonic watch lobs to buy for distinguished historical fob collection. *Marshall Jacobowitz*; 159 *Madison Avenue*, No. 1IJ; Now York; NY 10016, (212) 532-9882.

Wanted: to purchase a copy of the book, *Encyclopedia* of *Fraternities*" by Albert C. Stevens. It is needed for research. *Joe Dion, P.O. Box 5, South Woodstock, VT 05071, (802) 457-1536.*

Wanted: the book, *The Hiram Key*, by Chris Knight and Robert Lomas or information that will lead to the finding of it. *Derek C. Freer, APDO Postal 279, 28000 Colima, Colima, Mexico.*

For sale: 3 cemetery plots, one single and one pair, in Valley Oaks Memorial Park in Westlake Village, California, in the section of Garden of Gethsemane. They are currently selling for \$2,618.00 each. I will accept \$1,800.00 for each. Mrs. John A. Magyari, 3710 S. Goldfield Road, No. 1025, Apache Junction, AZ 852 19.

Looking for all sailors, officers, and enlisted who served aboard the U.S.S. Wren, DD568, 1943-1966. The U.S.S. Wren Association is a very active group, which meets every eighteen months with families in cities across the nation. Next meeting is in Hampton, Virginia, April 1999. For further into Charles Lloyd (P.C. MD No. 16), 8306 Damascus Drive, Fair Oaks Ranch, TX 78015-4630.

The Scroll of a Lifetime

I was walking by my Shepherds side in the hills that rolled for miles.

I felt an admiration there that surely was

a child's.

He held my hand so tenderly and pointed far above, Assuring me I'd one day see the Kingdom He spoke of.

I wondered how I'd get that far on a path so full of bends. He spoke of how He'd give me strength, the kind He always sends. I asked Him then to guide my way and see me day and night. He told me that the sun and moon in darkness shed His Light.

Our stroll along life's pathways we must follow to their ends. Let the sun and moon remind us of the Light our Shepherd sends.

> Virginia A. Edwards 3051 N.E. 45 St. Lighthouse Point, FL 33064