

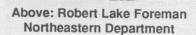
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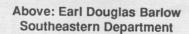
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#### Happy New Year!

Sir Knights, it is my prayer that GOD. through his SON and our Savior, JESUS CHRIST, will bless you in a mighty way and, that this year, 1999, will be a joyful, healthy, prosperous end blessed time for you and yours and that it will bring to you the best of all things



It is written somewhere, I'm sure, that we cannot truly appreciate the present or truly visualize the future without looking at the past. Each of us in his own way can recall incidents, happenings, events, and other things that make 1998 a year in which we again experienced a gamut of emotions, from sincerely deep sadness to great joy. We can remember the good and the not so good ideas and achievements. We noted a strengthening of our commitments to GOD and country, to our fellow man, and to the causes of truth and Justice. We shared a pride in and a loyalty to the principals that are the foundation of our Masonic fraternity and that govern a our conduct as Christian Masons. We learned again who we are and where we came from and our reason for being. We renewed our confidence that we can be as good as we say we are and that we can accomplish the purposes for which we exist as a Christian order. I think we've done well and Thank You!

So, strengthened and enlightened by this reminiscence, as a Christian Order, where are we now and where do we go from here? The answers to these questions would depend on the mind-set and perspective of the individual. You think about it. Briefly, I believe we have a keener awareness of the need to do something and we are. We are doing a better job in planning, in developing materials and programs at all organized levels, and in involving our members in these activities. We are doing a better job of being of service to our communities and fellow man through our charities, by joint participation in national eye care programs and other projects. We need to continue to do these things and more and to do them better. We should continue to address the need to offer Christian Masons an opportunity to grow spiritually and mentally and to be a part of providing some of the ways and means to make the world a better place.

Midnight, December 31, of the year 1999 will mark the close of the second millennium after the coming of CHRIST. The momentous happenings and events of this era will be recorded as significant and prominent landmarks and/or milestones in the history of the world because of their effect on mankind. My hope is that our contributions as Christian Masons, as Knights Templar, will be significant and worthy of being a part of this record.

Sir Knights, I'm done pumping for this issue. Take good care.

SUPPORT THE 31ST VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN FOR THE KTEF

Retention And New Member Programs Work

Every Christian Mason Should Be A Knight Templar!

James Morris Ward, KGC, Grand Master

#### **Knights Templar**

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

JANUARY: The 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign for the KTEF began December 1, 1998, so it is well on its way. Check the tally on page 13 to see how your state is doing. Chairman Garnes has clarified all the ways you can help starting on page 5. Good luck in all your endeavors for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Biographies of the Department Commanders for this triennium start on page 18. The four remaining will appear in the February issue. For inspiration in the task of acquiring new members, read the article horn the Committee on Membership, page 14. We have another article from Sir Knight Tribe about an interesting Sir Knight. It starts on page 25. The officers and the staff of the Grand Encampment wish for all Sir Knights and their families a healthy, happy 1999.

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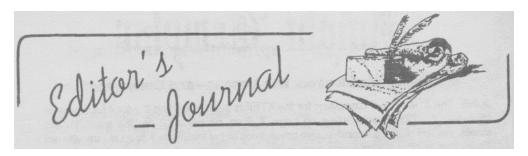
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Announcement: Knight Commander of the Temple Award: All nominations to the Knight Commander of the Temple award should be made to a HOLDER of the award in the state of the nominee. these nominations will he reviewed by the holders and then forwarded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

The Widows Pin Announcing: to commemorate those who were active Templars: The Grand Encampment continues a Program to honor widows of Knights Templar. A green pin is for widows of those below the rank of Commander, and a red Templar Cross pin is for widows of Sir Knights who held office below the rank of Past Grand Commander (this

includes Commanders, Past Commanders and grand officers). Honor your widows at regular or special programs of your Commandery. Order in lots of 10 at \$5.00 apiece, payable to the Grand Encampment, and send to the Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment, Knights Templar, 5097 N Elston *Avenue* Suite 101 Chicago IL

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 Cornmandery. These 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 copes plus shipping and handling. Write your checks to and mail to the:

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#### The 31st Annual Voluntary Campaign

# Which Road Will You Take to Help In the Preservation of Sight?

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



There are many Sir Knights as well as friends of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, inc., that have some misunderstandings about the Ways of Giving." This article is intended to help clarify the roads of giving.

There are several ways one can support this Great Humanitarian Charity. Individuals are invited to choose the methods that are suitable to their willingness to help.

The Life Sponsor: This method of giving is for Sir Knights on, but others may donate to create a Sir Knight a "Life Sponsor" The donation is only \$30 and becomes a part of the endowment fund so that only income is used. The Sir Knight who becomes a Life Sponsor has his dues reduced by \$1.00. This reduction of \$1.00 was implemented when the Life Sponsor category was established. However, being a Life Sponsor does not remove the obligation of every Sir Knight to support the Foundation.

The Associate Patron: This is a one-time donation by an individual, foundation, or corporation in the amount of \$50.00. This donation is frequently given by an organization as an honorarium for presenting a program.

The Patron: This donation is similar to The Associate Patron, the only difference being the amount, which is \$100.00.

The Grand Commander's Club: This donation may not be purchased in the name of an organization. The donation must be in the name of an individual. There can be a one-time donation and the individual becomes a member of the Grand Commander's Club, or can be the beginning of a donation each year until the total of \$1000 is reached, and the individual then becomes a member of the Grand Masters Club.

IMPORTANT: IF AN INDIVIDUAL WANTS THE AMOUNT APPLIED TO A GRAND MASTERS CLUB, HE MUST INCLUDE HIS GRAND COMMANDER'S CLUB MEMBERSHIP NUMBER. Otherwise, the donation will create another Grand Commander's Club Membership instead of it being applied toward the Grand Maser's Club, Grand Commander's Club donations become a part of the Endowment Fund

The Grand Master's Club: This donation may not be purchased in the name of an organization. The donation must be in the name of an individual. The total required for membership in the Grand Miters Cub is \$1000.00. This can be a lump sum donation, or it can be achieved by donating to the Grand Commander's Climb until it reaches \$1,000.00, which becomes a part of the Endowment Fund.

The Golden Chalice: This is a onetime donation of \$10,000.00 or more. This donation may be by individuals, corporations, or foundations. A Golden Chalice is presented to any donor who \$10,000.00 or more as a direct donation or by a bequest.

The Grand Master's Sword of Merit: This donation category is for the enthusiastic donor who wishes to donate \$25,000.00 or more. This is usually a foundation or corporation. It makes a beautiful display in a reception room or executive office. This is a lump sum donation

Any donor in memory of a deceased person can make these donations memorials. Many people make a donation in lieu of flowers or if, it was too late to send flowers This donation can be any amount the donor desires. The survivor is notified that a donation was made in memory of the

deceased and the amount is not mentioned. It is necessary to complete the form so that the Administrative Office will know who to notify that the donation was received.

To Honor a Living Person: A donation may be made in honor of a living person for services rendered to an organization or community or for just being a friend. The amount is whatever the donor desires. The same form is to be used as that for Memorials. The individual is also notified that a donation was made in his/her honor.

Wills or Bequests: These are unknown donations that may be large and make a significant difference to the operation of the Foundation. We hope that those Sir Knights of today will he as generous in their wills as those Sir Knights who have passed to their eternal reward and remembered to help someone after they were gone by leaving a bequest to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

Sight Crusader: The Knights Templar Eye Foundation. Inc., will, upon receiving in our Chicago headquarters office a suitable notification that the Foundation has been designated the beneficiary of a stated in a will or by other or has been named a beneficiary or benefactor, issue a certificate of appreciation attesting to the donator a "Sight Crusader." This is considered a gift for future generations.

Miscellaneous Undesignated Donations: These are just because you believe in "Helping Others to See" and would like to donate funds to be used wherever needed by the Foundation. All contributions are acknowledged and are tax deductible.

Sir Knights. these are the various Ways or Giving" to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. However, if you wish to donate stock, bonds or other property, contact the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. For assistance by phone call (773) 205-3838, FAX (773) 205-1689, or e-mail: ktef@knightstemplar.org

Sir Knight Charles A. Garnes, Honorary Past Department Commander and P.G.C. of Pennsylvania, is the Campaign Chairman of the 3lstAnnual Voluntary Campaign and a member of Duquesne Commandery No. 72, Penn Hills, Pennsylvania He resides at 1700 Jamestown Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15235-4944, Send personal e-mail to cagarnes@aol.corn. For information on the KTEF, send email to e-mail: ktef@knightstemplar.org

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#### Masonic Conferences - 1999

Meetings Held During "Masonic Week" In Washington, D.C.

February 18-20 Washington,

D.C. (annually)

The Philalethes Society Grand College of Rites, U.S.A.

Grand Master's Council, A.M.D.

Council of the Nine Muses No. 13, A.M.D.

Grand Council, Allied Masonic Degrees of the U.S.A.

Great Priory of America, Chevaliers Biefaisants de La Cite Sainte

Great Chief's Council No. 0. Knight Masons, U.S.A. Grand Council, Knight Masons of the U.S.A. Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis Masonic Order of the Bath in the U.S.A.

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Grand College Of America, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests

February 19 Washington, D.C.

(annually)

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Gould Frazier 8001 N. Williamson Road Muncie, IN

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Contact: Milton D. Dirst Grand Registrar 1501 W. Laurel Street

Springfield, IL 62704

Conference Of Grand Masters Of Masons In North America

February 21-23 Honolulu, HI

(annually)

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Southside, AL 35907

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**Executive Sec-Treasurer** 110-A Bacon Street Natick, MA 01760

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February 21-23 Honolulu, HI (annually)

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Wilmington, DE 19801-3077

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association

February 22 Honolulu, HI

(annually)

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The Masonic Service Association Of North America

February 21

Honolulu, HI

(annually)

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Milwaukee, WI (annually)

Current High Priestess: Sandra E. Moffses 3007 Surfside Way Orlando, FL 32805 Contact: Barbara C. Eagan Supreme Worthy Scrib

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Grand Council, Ladies Oriental Shrine Of North America, Inc.

May 16-23 Chattanooga, TN (annually) Current High Priestess: Jenny Burchfield 1322 Koblan Dr Hixson. TN 37343-4422

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Contact:

Supreme Forest, Tall Cedars Of Lebanon Of North America

May 19-23

Wildwood, New Jersey (annually)

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United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross Of Constantine

June 3-5

Tulsa, Oklahoma (annually)

Current Grand Sovereign: Joe R. Manning, Jr. P.O. Box 8

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June 13-17 Jacksonville, Florida (annually) Current Supreme Queen: Phyllis M. Wattenbarger 1331 Darmak Drive Las Vegas, NV 89102-1811 Contact: Karen D. Burk Supreme Princess Recorder 2001 Broadway Helena, MT 59601-4803

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High Twelve International, Inc.

June 11-16

Colorado Springs, CO

(annually)

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June 23-26

Kansas City, Missouri

(annually)

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Imperial Council, AAONMS

July 3-8 Dallas, Texas (annually)

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June 27-30

Louisville, Kentucky

(annually)

Current Supreme Royal

Matron:

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Louisville, KY 40101-1651

Ethel B. Fry Supreme Secretary 2303 Murdoch Ave

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York Rite Sovereign College Of North America

July 27 - Aug. 1 San Antonio, Texas (annually)

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International Order Of The Rainbow For Girls

July 9-11, 1999

Sprinafield, Illinois (biennially)

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August 4-7 Grand Rapids, MI (annually)

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Grand Encampment Of Knights Templar Of The U.S.A. August 13-16, 2000

Nashville, Tennessee

(triennially)

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Grand Recorder 5097 N. Elston Ave, Ste 101

Chicago, IL 60630-2460

Convent General, Knights Of The York Cross Of Honour

August 19-21 Charlotte, NC (annually)

Current Grand Master General:

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Supreme Council, 33°, A.A.S.R., N.M.J., U.S.A.

September 26-29 Atlantic City, NJ

(annually)

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Contact:

Contact: Winthrop L. Hall Executive Secretary P.O. Box 519 Lexington, MA 02173

Kenneth D. Buckley

Grand Registrar-General

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Oct. 30-Nov. 3, 1999 Wichita, Kansas

(triennially)

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Priest:

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Oct. 31-Nov. 2, 1999

(triennially)

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Supreme Assembly, Social Order Of The Beauceant

Sept. 26 - Oct. 1

Colorado Springs, CO (annually)

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October 4-5, 1999 Washington, D.C.

(biennially)

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Royal Order Of Scotland

October 6

Washington, D.C. (annually)

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Charleroi, PA 15022

Contact:

William M. Kratzenberg Provincial Grand Sec. P.O. Box 11

Charleroi, PA 15022

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Oct. 27 - Nov. 2, 2000

Detroit, Michigan (triennially)

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Supreme Council, Grottoes Of North America NO REPORT

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September 22-25 Westlake, Ohio

(annually)

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N. Ridgeville, OH 44039-3639

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Sharon Carroll 3305 7th Street

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#### 1999 Annual Conclaves

Date	Grand Commandery	Location	Conclave Rep
February 21-23	Alabama	Mobile	William J. Jones
March 5-7	New Jersey	Somerset	James M. Ward
March 11	Delaware	Wilmington	Richard B. Baldwin
March 11-13	Arkansas	North Little Rock	Kenneth B. Fischer
March 14-15	South Carolina	Charleston	William H. Koon II
March 19	District of Columbia	Hotel Washington	Richard B. Baldwin
March 21-23	North Carolina	Fayetteville	James M. Ward
March 26-27	Mississippi	Meridian	Earl D. Barlow
March 26-27	North Dakota	Fargo	Richard B. Baldwin
April 7-8	Oklahoma	Oklahoma City	James M. Ward
April 8-10	Kansas	Sauna	William H. Thornley, Jr.
April 9-13	Texas	Piano	James M. Ward
April 10	Connecticut	Rocky Hill	Robert L. Foreman
April 10	Nebraska	Columbus	Earl D. Barlow
April 10		Medford	Richard B. Baldwin
•	Oregon New Mexico	Las Cruces	Richard B. Baldwin
April 17	Louisiana	Leesville	James M. Ward
April 19-20	Idaho	Boise	
April 24	Tennessee	Nashville	Kenneth B. Fischer Charles R. Neumann
April 24			
April 26	California	City of Industry	Douglas L. Johnson
April 30	Indiana	Indianapolis	William H. Koon II
May 3	Maine	Augusta Rome	James M. Ward Charles R. Neumann
May 7-9	Italy		Grover T. Haibrooks
May 8	Utah	Salt Lake City Macon	Donald H. Smith
May 11-12	Georgia		Ned E. Dull
May 12	Maryland	Ocean City	
May 14-15	Virginia	Williamsburg	James M. Ward
May 15-16	Missouri	Branson	William J. Jones
May 19	Washington	Mt. Vernon	Grover T. Halbrooks
May 20-22	West Virginia	Parkersburg	Kenneth B. Fischer
May 20-23	Pennsylvania	Grantville	William H. Koon II
May 23-26	Florida	Daytona Beach	Charles B. Neumann
June 3-5	lowa	Sioux City	Blair C. Mayford
June 3-5	Michigan	Flint	William H. Koon li
June 5	Montana	Bozeman	William J. Jones
June 6-7	Vermont	Colchester	Lloyd A. Hebert
June 8	Nevada	Winnemucca	Kenneth B. Fischer
June 18	Wisconsin	Stevens Point	Charles R. Neumann
June 24-26	Minnesota	St. Cloud	Kenneth B. Fischer
July 17	Illinois	Decatur	William J. Jones
August 21	Arizona	Mesa	Charles R. Neumann
September 11	Colorado	Denver	William H. Koon II
September 17	Wyoming	Casper	Richard B. Baldwin
September 17-19	New York	Suffern	William J. Jones
September 18-20	Kentucky	Louisville	James M. Ward
September 25	South Dakota	Sioux Falls	Blair C. Mayford
October 2-3	New Hampshire	Manchester	Albert R. Masters



#### Richard W. Hillman

New York Grand Commander-1976 Born October 15, i918 Died September 27, 1998

#### Eugene Leslie Webb, Jr.

Tennessee Grand Commander-1967 Born October 17, 1912 Died November 28, 1998

#### **Grand Commander's Club**

No. 100,910 - Alan W. Langworthy (CA) No. 100,911 - Arthur Louis Rankin, Jr. (TX) No. 100,912 - Charles Hughes (KY)

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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.; 5097 N. Elston Ave, Suite 100; Chicago; IL 60630-2460; (773) 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 clubs have been issued pins at no charge to the recipients. If you became a member of either club prior to that date and would like a pin for yourself, send a \$10.00 donation to the Eye Foundation in Chicago, and you will receive one.



#### Life Sponsorship Pins Available

This very attractive pin in the shape of a shield is available for a donation of \$7.00 each or \$5.00 each in lots of twenty. Show your Commandery members that you are a life Sponsor of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation by ordering yours today. Pins are available to any Knight Templar who already has purchased a Life Sponsorship or who intends to do so. Contact Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.; 5097 N Elston Ave., Suite 100; Chicago; IL 60630-2460.

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# Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. 31 Voluntary Campaign

Campaign report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending December 11, 1998. The total amount contributed to date is \$37,226.69

Alabama - \$525.00 Arizona - 30.00 Arkansas - 90.00 California - 3,691.31 Colorado - 605.00 Connecticut - 60.00 District of Columbia - 320.00 Florida - 1,352.09 Georgia - 420.00 Idaho - 10.00 Illinois - 4,331.00 Indiana - 1,838.00 Iowa - 1,358.00

Kentucky - 2,565.00 Louisiana - 1,380.00 Maryland - 290.00 Mass./R.I. - 10.00

Kansas - 65.00

KCT and GCT Award Recipients: A  $2^{1}/_{2}$ -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 adorns 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.

Michigan - 3,367.32 Minnesota - 60.00 Mississippi - 1,170.00 Missouri - 1,680.00 Montana - 55.00 Nebraska - 80.00 Nevada - 100.00 New Hampshire - 100.00 New Jersey - 995.00 New York - 993.00 North Carolina - 50.00 Ohio - 335.00 Oregon - 305.00 Pennsylvania - 1385.00 South Carolina - 50.00 South Dakota - 30.00 Tennessee - 546.38 Texas - 1.686.00 Virginia - 30.00 Washington - 310.00 West Virginia - 60.00 Wisconsin - 840.00 Honolulu No. 1 - 410.00 Tokyo No. 1 - 10.00 Miscellaneous - 3.638.59



The Masonic Service Association Appeal for relief to El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua: The tragedy that struck Central America through the destruction of Hurricane Mitch is well known to everyone. It is considered to be the worst storm in more than two hundred years to strike the area. This appeal is an attempt to help our Brethren and their families in these stricken communities. You may send funds to the MSA designated for one or more of the countries, or if the funds are undesignated they will be divided equally between the four grand jurisdictions. Make checks payable to: MSA Disaster Relief Fund, and send to: 8120 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, MD 20910-4785.

#### From the Committee on Membership

# The Importance of Manpower Advancement of Templary

The Grand Encampment believes that manpower is Templary's greatest asset! Membership is the key index by which the progress of our great order of Knighthood is being judged. A growing membership shows a healthy condition. It means that men are being attracted to becoming Knights Templar and that our present members are anxious to retain their membership.

Templary must have the strength that comes through increased manpower. As a blood transfusion injects new life into the body, just so does the new blood" of Templar recruits furnish new life to the Commandery. Their impact quickens the whole structure of the Commandery. Most local problems can be solved by securing candidates who are ready, willing, and able to take their places in the ranks of our order. The Grand Encampment fully realizes that membership is a grassroots problem of superlative importance which must be solved at the local level - and with all the assistance that can be given by Grand Encampment leadership. With this in mind, the Grand Encampment has recently taken several important steps in this direction.

The Most Eminent Grand Master has requested that each Grand Commander appoint a Membership Committee in each grand jurisdiction and has requested that every Eminent Commander appoint a Membership Committee in each Commandery. He has urged these committees to stress the matter ofrecruiting members well as maintaining retention and slowing the losses through suspensions.

That all Sir Knights be informed of the goal for Grand and constituent Commanderies to be a 5% increase in new members (Knightings and reinstatements) and a 50% decrease in non-death losses (demits and suspensions), otherwise known as the 5/50 Program.

That all Commanderies have membership campaigns. Set the degree and order work schedules. Establish dates and follow through with quality festivals and individual Commanderies presenting the Orders.

That membership recruitment and curtailing of suspension for non-payment of dues is more successful if done by teams emphasizing the personal approach explaining the programs, philanthropies, and the mission of our order.

That the purpose and activities of the Knights Templar organization reflect that it a well founded Christian-oriented fraternal organization. It was created in about 1745, some in France and some in Ireland. and the organization Encampments and Commanderies followed closely after. Originally, it was believed that the Knights Templar were laymen who protected and defended Christians traveling to Jerusalem. These men took vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience and were renowned for their fierceness and courage in battle.

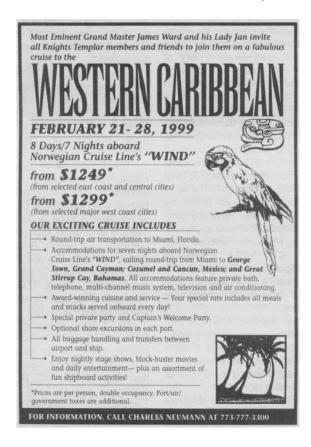
Today, the Knights Templar display their courage and goodwill in other ways. They organize fund-raising activities such as breakfasts, dinners, dances, and flea markets. They support Masonic-related youth groups

and raise millions of dollars for medical research and educational assistance.

Our mission as Knights Templar is "The Support and Defense of the Christian Religion." We tend to take Christianity for granted because among our acquaintances in the United States, Christianity is the dominant belief. Worldwide, our religion is a minority and is under constant attack by communism, dictatorships, other religions, and our government. We, therefore, need all men who believe in Christian principles to be members of this magnanimous order which espouses the freedom of the individual.

Our goal must then be to add a personal touch to acquiring new members. In order to accomplish this we must add the importance of closeness and friendship to the face-to-face contacts that we make in our daily lives and "live by" and be "guided by" the hand of the Supreme Architect of the Universe. We have discovered that we are all brothers under the fatherhood of that Great Architect of the Universe. That allows each and every one of us to treat one another with dignity, respect, and caring. Each of us holds the key to the existence of our order. We can choose to use it, or ignore it. My choice is to embrace it. What is yours?

Grand Encampment Membership Committee: Stanley O. Simons, P.G.C., Chairman Paul A. Brehm, P.G.C., Member James C. Taylor, P.D.C., Member



#### From the Committee on Knights Templar History...

# History of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America: Book II Chapter IV Fifty-fifth Conclave, 1982 (continued)

The report of the Committee on Foreign Relations stated that a "Petition for Mutual Recognition" had been received from the Grand Priory of Gaules, France, which stated that it is now "working the Templar Rite of Freemasonry." The Committee had consulted the Sovereign Great Priory of England and Wales and the Great Priory of Scotland and recommended that the petition be granted. Another request for recognition was received in February 1982 from the newly constituted Great Priory of Greece. Since the rituals and property advanced by the Grand Encampment to the three Commanderies chartered or under dispensation there had not been returned as stipulated, the committee recommended that recognition not be granted. A third request for recognition had been received from the Great Priory of Germany, which had been constituted on May 8, 1982 by the Great Priory of Scotland. The committee recommended that no action be taken "at the present time." All of the committee's recommendations were approved.

The Standing Resolution entitled "DISPLAY OF THE HOLY BIBLE" adopted in 1967 was changed by inserting the italicized words "...with a small wooden passion cross and square and compasses displayed thereon..."

Again, a new Section  $32^{1}/_{2}$  was proposed to establish two honorary grades: Grand Cross of the Temple and Knights Commander of the Temple. It required a 3/4 vote and was defeated by a vote of For-210 to Against-155.

The Committee on Easter Sunrise Service noted that only 425 Sir Knights participated in the parade, probably due to "the inclement weather around the country."

Section 190(a) was changed to read "A Knight Templar may be admitted to membership in any Commandery regardless of his residence but cannot be *a dais* officer in more than one Commandery at the same time." The change being the substitution of the italicized words, "a dais" for the word "an."

Section 237<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>(C) concerning the Knight Templar Cross of Honor" was amended by adding the sentence: 'No present or past elected Grand Officer of a Grand Commandery shall be eligible for the award."

The report of the Credentials Committee on Wednesday showed "478 total voting delegates or valid proxies." The dais officers of Guatemala No. 1 of Guatemala City, Guatemala, were the only dais officers of any Subordinate Commandery present.

The Committee on Dispensations Charters recommended: 1) that charters be granted to Hilo Commandery, U.D., Hilo, Hawaii: and Kalakaua, U.D., Kailua, Hawaii; 2) that dispensations be continued for Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, U.D., Germany; Dionysius Dusseldorf. West Areopagites, U.D., Athens, Greece: Constantine Paleologos, U.D., Athens Greece: 3) the dispensation be revoked for Outpost, U.D., Berlin, West Germany. The recommendations of the committee were accepted.

Sir Knight Frederick G. Speidel, Chairman of the Committee on Templar History, stated in his report that It was decided to leave as much as possible of the original volume" (alluding to Dr. Scully's History of the Grand Encampment) 'intact and update all chapters and subjects as necessary. This would result in adding three new chapters. At this time sixteen chapters have been completed and six chapters have been typeset. A number of other chapters are near completion." The next to last paragraph was: All Knights Templar are asked to publicize the forthcoming printing of the Grand Encampment history. The publication of this book is not included in the Grand Encampment budget. When prices have been established, we will solicit orders on a prepublication basis and request a prompt response so that this project can remain on a firm financial footing."

Officers installed for the ensuing 56th Triennium were Sir Knights: Ned E. Dull, Most Eminent Grand Master; Donald H. Smith, Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master; Marvin E. Fowler, Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo; William H. Thornley, Jr., Right Eminent Grand Captain General; Harold S. Gorman, Right Eminent Grand Treasurer; Paul C. Rodenhauser, Right Eminent Grand Recorder; and the Reverend Eugene H. Buxton, Right Eminent Grand Prelate.

Aides were appointed for the grand officers for the ensuing triennium; those Sir Knights were: for the Grand Master - W. Boyd Sibold, P.G.C., Ohio, and William J. Foil, P.G.C., Ohio; for the Deputy Grand Master - Clyde Curtis, P.G.C., Kentucky; for the Grand Generalissimo - Ernest C. Barker, P.G.C., District of Columbia; for the Grand Captain General - Robert E. Newman, P. G. C., Colorado; for the Grand Treasurer - Clarence K. Jones, P.G.C., Nevada; and for the Grand Recorder - Charles A. Neumann, P.G.C., Illinois.

#### Chapter V Period Of Continued Membership Decline 1985-1997

Although the decline in membership had never subsided but had continued to increase, it was felt that the past chapter should be set off as a chapter to show how the terrible run of economic inflation had changed the way the Grand Encampment was operated. Of course, when it

came on the heels of a downturn in membership, it seemed to be thought that the constantly needed increases in per capita was the spoiler which was causing further loss of membership. The 51St Triennium showed a loss of 11,733 members; the loss slackened considerably during the 52nd Triennium, which showed a loss of 8,883. It slackened during the 53rd to 5,116, but climbed to 7,729 in the 54th, and almost doubled in the 55th to 13,591. It began a steady increase in the 56th to 18,817; in the 57th to 23,917; and in the 58th the loss increased to 28,919; and in the 59th to 29,676!

#### Fifty-sixth Conclave, 1985

On Monday, August 12, 1985 at 9:10 A.M. in the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio, Sir Knight George W. Davidson, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Ohio, announced to the assembled throng that the officers of the Grand Commandery of Ohio were about to march into the room, beginning with the Sentinel. When the Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander had taken his station, Sir Knight Davidson asked the assembly to rise and Sir Knight William Ammer, the Right Eminent Grand Commander, entered and took his station.

Sir Knight Ammer told his officers to take their stations, asked everyone to rise, the Sir Knights to uncover, and then asked Sir Knight Raymond Eugene Loose, acting Grand Prelate, to give a prayer. After the prayer, Sir Knight Ammer gave the order to re-cover and asked everyone to be seated. He welcomed all present to the 56th Triennial Conclave, wished them a pleasant stay, and reported to Sir Knight Davidson that the Grand Commandery was ready to receive the Grand Encampment officers. Sir Knight Davidson introduced them all except the Grand Master, called the assembly to attention, and Sir Knight Ammer introduced the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, Sir Knight Ned Eugene Dull.

#### 1997-2000 Department Commanders Of The Grand Encampment

#### **ROBERT LAKE FOREMAN**

Right Eminent
Department Commander (1997-2000)
Northeastern Department



Robert Lake Foreman was born on August 4, 1952 to Marie and Edward A. Foreman, Sr. He was the youngest of tour children. He has two brothers and one sister. The family resided in Raspberg/Overlea, a suburb of Baltimore. Robert attended Baltimore County Public Schools and graduated in the National Honor Society. After school and during the summer, he worked at an azalea nursery near home and stills loves to work around the yard and garden at home.

Having taken printing in high school, he pursued that vocation, and having experienced many of the various skills related to the trade, he continues to work in that field along with managing a small shop of his own.

He met Susan J. Krute, and they were married on October 26, 1985. They purchased a home in the country near Westminster, Maryland, very close to the "cradle of American Methodism." They are both members of the Westminster United Methodist Church. On June 25, 1988, they became the proud parents of April Marie, their only child.

Robert became involved with the Masonic family at the age of fourteen, when he became a member of the Order of DeMolay. He holds memberships in many Masonic organizations, and along with the honors and awards he has received, he has served or is currently serving in Order of DeMolay, Overlea Chapter as Past Master Councilor, R.D., Chevalier, Legion of Honor and Blue Honor and Advisor's Key; Mt. Nebo Lodge No. 229, A.F. & AM., Past Master: St. John's R.A.C. No. 19, as Past High Priest, Past G.M. of 3rd Veil, Past Grand Inspector, Order of the Triple Tau; Concordia Council, Past Thrice Illustrious Master, Past Grand Inspector, Order of ISH SODI; Crusade Commandery No. 5, K.T., Past Commander, Prelate, Past Grand Commander, Grand Inspector General, President, Board Governors, K.T. of Baltimore. President, Association of Past Commanders. K.T., former editor, K.T. Magazine, MD Supplement, Knight Commander of the Temple; Francis Scott Key Priory No. 14, Knights York Cross of Honour, Registrar; Tidewater Council No. 334, Allied Masonic Degrees, Sovereign Master.

He was appointed R.E. Northeastern Department Commander at the 60th triennial Conclave in St. Louis, Missouri, on August 13, 1997 by the Most Eminent Grand Master James M. Ward.

#### EARL DOUGLAS BARLOW

Right Eminent Department Commander (1997-2000) Southeastern Department



Earl Douglas Barlow was born February 4, 1936 at McKenzie, Alabama. He graduated *from* McKenzie High School and completed his B.S. Degree in Industrial Technical Education from the University of Southern Mississippi. Sir Knight Barlow married the former Bobbye Seamans, and they are the parents of four daughters. Sir Knight Barlow entered the U.S. Air Force in 1954, retiring as a Chief Master Sergeant in 1979. He retired again after seventeen years with Civil Service in the grade of GS-13, having served as a training advisor, instructor, branch chief and flight commander. He presently serves his community as Chairman, Supervisory Committee, Keesler Federal Credit Union.

Sir Knight Barlow and Bobbye reside in Biloxi, Mississippi, where he was Raised a Master Mason in Polar Star Lodge No. 154. He is a Past Master of that Lodge and a member of Orange Grove Lodge No. 635. He has presided over the other three York Rite bodies and presently serves as Deputy Prior of Mississippi Priory No. 36. He served as Grand Master of Masons in Mississippi in 1995.

Sir Knight Barlow served as Grand Commander, Grand Commandery K.T. of Mississippi, in 1990, and aide-de-camp in the Grand Encampment of K.T., U.S.A., for nine years. He presently serves the Grand Council, R. & S.M. of Mississippi, as Grand Principal Conductor of the Work. He is a Knight Commander Court of Honor and presently serves on the Executive Council, Gulfport Valley, Scottish Rite.

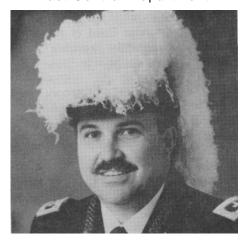
Active in all bodies of Masonry, he is Oriental Guide, Joppa Temple, AAONMS and Royal Patron, Harmony Court No. 2, Order of the Amaranth.

Honors and recognitions bestowed include: Knight Templar Cross of Honor; Knight Commander of the Temple; member of Forty-Fivers Association; Past Preceptor, HRAKTP; Past Sovereign, A.M.D.; Past Illustrious Grand Standard Bearer, United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine; Past Knight Commander, Knights Preceptor of Mississippi; Grand Chapter, R.A.M.,

Mississippi Bronze Medal for Distinguished Service; General Grand Chapter, R.A.M. International, Silver Medal for Distinguished Service and General Grand Chairman of 1993 General Grand Chapter/General Grand Council International Triennial; Royal Order Scotland; Mississippi York Rite College No. 83.; Order of the Purple Cross; Honorary Legion of Honor from International Order of DeMolay; Past Patron, Order of the Eastern Star; Knight Masons of the U.S.A.; Mississippi Societas Rosicruciana: National College Sojourners, Past President, Order of High Priesthood and created a Prophet at sight in the Grotto.

He was appointed R.E. Southeastern Department Commander at the 60th Triennial Conclave in St. Louis, Missouri, on August 13, 1997, by Most Eminent Grand Master James M. Ward.

William H. Koon II
Right Eminent
Department Commander (19972000)
East Central Department



Sir Knight Koon was born in Lima, Ohio, on March 12, 1949 to William H. and Vivian A. Koon. He is a graduate of Bath High School, and attended Ohio State University for three years in Lima. He and his wife Elizabeth reside less than a mile from the family farm where he grew up near Columbus Grove, Ohio. Sir Knight Koon has one daughter, Andrea Leigh Koon, and Elizabeth has one son, William Steven Winebrenner. Sir Knight Koon is the President of Lord's Enterprises, Inc., and Republic Mills, Inc., both family agribusiness including livestock feed manufacturing, swine farrowing complexes, grain elevators, and a farming operation. He is involved in many professional and civic organizations, both locally and statewide.

Masonically, Sir Knight Koon is a Senior DeMolay of Fidelity Chapter in Lima, and holds the Cross of Honor and Active Legion of Honor. He was Raised a Master Mason in 1970 in Ada Lodge No. 344, and later demitted to Rufus Putnam Lodge No. 364 in Columbus Grove, where he served three years as Worshipful Master. He is a Past High Priest of Lima Chapter No. 49, RA.M., and a line officer of Lima Council No. 20, R. & S.M. He was Knighted in Shawnee Commandery No. 14 by his father on March 13, 1971, and was elected Eminent Commander in 1980. He has served as the Drill Captain of Shawnee Commandery No. 14 since 1985. In addition, he is a member of St. George

Commandery No. 76, Ivanhoe Commandery No. 54, Van Wert, OH, St. Bernard Commandery No. 41, Denver, CO, and Blaney Commandery No. 5, Tremont, IL Sir Knight Koon served the First Division Knights Templar of Ohio as Deputy Division Commander from 1985 until he was appointed Grand Sentinel by Sir Knight Frank W. Crane, R.E.G.C. in 1987. He was elected Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Ohio on September 13, 1996.

Sir Knight Koon has served the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the U.S.A., as co-chairman of the Committee on Drill Regulations during the 1994-1997 triennium, and was a member of the Easter Sunrise Breakfast Committee from 1991-94. He served eight years as the personal aide to Sir Knight Ned E. Dull, M.E.P.G.M. of the Grand Encampment, and has been the Affinity Coordinator or the Knights Templar Eye Foundation Mastercard program since its inception. Sir Knight Koon was invested with the rank and dignity of Knight Commander of the Temple by the Grand Encampment in 1992, and is currently the co-deputy for the Ohio KCT program.

Illustrious Brother Koon is a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Toledo, and received the 33<sup>0</sup> from the Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, N.M.J., in Grand Rapids on September 23, 1997.

He is a member of numerous appendant organizations including Zenobia Temple. AAONMS, their Crusader Unit, and Lima Shrine Club; Grove Chapter No. 527, O.E.S.; Lima Shrine No. 20, White Shrine of Jerusalem; Past Sovereign of Buckeye Council No. 92, A.M.D.: Charter Member Shawnee Council No. 355, A.M.D.; awarded Red Branch of Eri by the Grand Council A.M.D.; Charter Sovereign and current Recorder of Charlemagne Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine in Lima, OH; dual member of Holy Grail Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine in Dayton, OH; Honorary Member of St. Leonard Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine in Jackson, MS; Prince of Peace Tabernacle X, HRAKTP; Royal Order of Scotland; Chief Adept, IX' grade, Ohio College SRICF, honorary member of Illinois College SRICF; Centennial College, SYRC, OPCY; Buckeye Council Knight Masons of Ireland, Kincora Council Knight Masons of the USA;

Past Grand Tall Cedar of Ohio Northern Forest No. 188, Tall Cedars of Lebanon; High Twelve International Club No. 590; Honorable Commander General of the Masonic Order of the Bath; Officer of the Grand College of Rites; and Daniel Boone Chapter of National Sojourners. He was appointed R.E. Department Commander of the East Central Department of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of

the U.S.A. by Sir Knight James M. Ward, Most Eminent Grand Master, in St. Louis, Missouri, on August 13, 1997.

The biographies of the other four Department Commanders will be published in February 1999

## DeMolay International—DeMolay Today



What is DeMolay today? DeMolay is the premier youth organization dedicated to teaching young men to be better persons and leaders. DeMolay is for young men between the ages of thirteen and twenty-one. Founded eighty years ago in Kansas City, Missouri, DeMolay has spread to every state in the Union and to several countries, including Australia, Brazil, Canada, Germany, Japan, Panama, and the Philippines. Today there are over 700 Chapters in the United States with over one million alumni.

Under the 'advisorship" of adults; leadership skills, civic awareness, responsibility, and character development are learned through a variety of self-directed, real world applications and activities. Some activities DeMolay is involved in are softball, basketball, swimming, ski trips, camping, and hiking. Other activities may include helping clean city parks, collecting food for the needy, raising money for seriously and/or chronically ill children, helping senior citizens, helping local charity groups, and a host of other worthwhile projects. Through these activities the young men develop reverence to one's own beliefs and respect for others' beliefs, love for parents, and to be courteous, faithful, and patriotic; all of which prepare the young men of DeMolay to be *Tomorrow's Leaders Today!* 

DeMolay sponsorship is an opportunity to make a difference. Each DeMolay Chapter must be sponsored by a recognized group of Freemasons. Masonic sponsorship enables DeMolay Chapters to have dependable, dedicated adult volunteer advisors."

As a Mason, you can help in many ways. Offer your time and talents as a DeMolay Advisor or adult volunteer. Urge your son, nephew, grandson, or other young men in your neighborhood or sons of your friends to membership in DeMolay. See if your Masonic organization will sponsor a Chapter or provide financial support. If you would like more information, please contact: DeMolay International, 10200 N. Executive Hills Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64153-1367, (816) 891-8333, e-mail: DeMolay@DeMolay.org or check out our web site at: http://www.demolay.org

# On the Masonic News Front NEWS FROM NEW MEXICO

#### **Visiting Brothers**

At the invitation of the Grand Master of Masons in New Mexico, Sir Knight Dan F. Irick, twenty Master Masons (pictured below) and their families from the Grand Lodge "Cosmos" of the State of Chihuahua, Mexico, visited the "Land of Encantment." The long weekend involved a tour of the historic Scottish Rite Cathedral in Santa Fe where the New Mexico State DeMolay Association was holding its biannual Conclave. While Mexican Brethren were being treated to the DeMolay degrees, their families toured Santa Fe. (submission and photo by Sir Knight H. William Hart).

#### Shiprock No. 15, Farmington

Shiprock Commandery No. 15, Farmington, New Mexico, had the pleasure of presenting two of its Sir Knights with the Grand Encampment Knight Commander of the Temple award. Those receiving the awards were Sir Knights Nesbit K. Malu and Arland Blackburn. The presentations were given by Sir Knights Robert I Haupert, P.G.C., and Robert M Abernathey, P.G.C. and P. D. C. Southwestern Department, Grand Encampment. The Sir Knights are pictured below. Congratulations, Sir Knights!





From Out of the Past - Virginia Masonry

Pictured here is E.M. Jay Corner, Grand Warder, Grand Commandery of Virginia, returning plaque No. 2066 to E.M. John Chambliss, Commander of Bayard Commandery No. 15, and Sir Knight Allen Brown, oldest living member. This plaque once adorned the wall of room 2066 of the George W. Wright TB Sanatorium Pavilion, Charlottesville, Virginia, denoting Bayard's contributions to the building of the pavilion. Built and furnished by Virginia Masons. it was given Commonwealth of Virginia cost free in 1926. Charlottesville Masons a returning those symbols of the loving gifts of Virginia Masons to their places of origin.



#### News from Illinois Masonic Medical Center—Chicago, Illinois





Sir Knight J. Robert Stockner, P.G.C. (Illinois) 1995, Naperville, Illinois, has been elected to the IMMC Foundation Board of Directors for a three-year term. Sir Knight Stockner is a retired mechanical and electrical engineer. His Masonic career began in Naperville at Euclid Lodge No. 65, W.M. in 1971. In 1991 he was elected to the Honorary Legion of Honor by the Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, where he also serves as a director of the Illinois Foundation. In 1997 he presented a paper on "Freedom and Ethics in Freemasonry" at the International Symposium of Freedom in Freemasonry, Rome, Italy.

The Emergency Department at Illinois Masonic Medical Center has been recognized by the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Emergency Medical Services for Children for having the essential resources and capabilities to meet the needs of seriously ill and injured children. Richard Feldman, M.D., chairman of Emergency Medicine, accepted a certificate of recognition from *Dr.* John A. Lumpkin, state health director.

(Left) Charles F Gambill (left), chairman of the Illinois Masonic Board of Trustees, accepts a \$100,000 check from William E. Warman (right), member of the IMMC Foundation Board of Directors and coordinator of the 12th annual Charity Golf Day held at the Olympia Fields Country Club, Olympia Fields, Illinois. The golf day proceeds will benefit Illinois Masonic's Surgical Intensive Care Unit renovation project.

#### Pennsylvania Sir Knight Invested with Honorary Legion of Honor



James T. Clancy (left), Deputy Member of DeMolay International, dubs, creates, constitutes, and consecrates the degree of the DeMolay Legion of Honor upon Sir Knight John M. Lewis (right), Eminent Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania. The Honorary Legion of Honor is the highest honor which can be conferred upon a Master Mason by DeMolay International and is conferred upon Master Masons who are over thirty years of age and were never in DeMolay but have performed unusual and meritorious service on behalf of the order. It is denoted by a white cordon.

Mrs. Harry J. (Louise) Cross, Denver No. 1, S.O.O.B., Has 100th Birthday Party

Mrs. Cross (right) is shown with Mrs. Mel W. (Jeanne) Thompson, W.P. of Denver Assembly No. 1, S.O.O.B., Denver, Colorado, at the celebration of Mrs. Cross' 100th birthday celebration. The Assembly honored her with a luncheon, special cake, and one dozen yellow roses. Mrs. Cross is a 51-year member of the Social Order of the Beauceant





Sir Knight Roland K Cronk, R.E. Past Grand Commander of Illinois (1996-1997) is shown with this wife Karol, The two were married while on a hunting trip in the Fall of 1996.

#### Ranking Filipino Mason Visits Illinois Masonic Medical Center

Enrique L. Locsin (second from left), Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippines, and his wife Sue recently were guests of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of the state of Illinois and Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois. Pictured with the Locsins during their tour of the medical center are, from left: Illinois Masonic Medical Center President and C.E.O., Bruce Campbell, Oriental Lodge No. 33; Benny L. Grisham, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of the state of Illinois; and Illinois Masonic Vice President of Public Affairs, James R. DeNoyer, Oriental Lodge No. 33.



#### Social Order of the Beauceant—Supreme Assembly

At the Supreme Assembly 1998, S.O.O.B., held in San Antonio, Texas, were nine sets of mothers are daughters or daughters-in-law. They are: Mrs. W. P. Russell, Melrose No. 204 and Mrs. Mory Russell, Reix No. 257; Mrs. Sherman Lambright and Mrs. David Lambright, Phoenix No. 213; Mrs. Ernest A. Lyon aix Mrs. George L. Poate, Midvale No. 247; Mrs. Carl W. Hamlin and Mrs. Richard D. Brown, Arkansas City No 20; Mrs. Harold Thompson and Mrs. Keith Dean, P.S.W.P., Tampa No. 208; Mrs. John R. Wallace and Ms Rex L Lewis, Dallas No. 63; Mrs. Paul E. Wunsdee and Mrs. Michael Shively, Melrose No. 204; Mrs. N. V Hanna, Sr., and Mrs. N. W. Hanna, Jr., Park Place No. 205; and Mrs. Harley Ford and Mrs. R. D. Moore Austin No. 125. Article submitted by our new S.O.O.B. contact, (Mrs. Roland J.) Phylliss Maddox. P.S.W.P 1009 Royal **Oaks Dr., Dickinson, TX 77539-4521.** 



### Sir Knight Charles Grosvenor: President McKinley's Man in Congress

by Sir Knight Ivan M Tribe, KYCH, 32<sup>0</sup>



Political figures from the so-called Gilded Age" have often been dismissed by later generations as bearded, boring, old men who fought endless battles over equally dull issues such as tariff rates, soft money versus hard money, and pension bills. While it is true that many of those individuals from the 1870-1900 period often sported long beards and mustaches, they frequently also exhibited dynamic, complex personalities. Such a person was Sir Knight Charles H. Grosvenor, a Civil War hero, a twenty-year member of Congress especially influential during the McKinley Presidency, and a sixty-year Mason at the time of his death. Known sometimes as The Sage of Athens" in his hometown in Ohio, Grosvenor's fascinating life story follows.

Charles Henry Grosvenor was born in Pomfret, Connecticut, on September 20, 1833, the son of Peter and Ann Chase Grosvenor. The paternal line descended from John Grosvenor, who died at Roxbury, Massachusetts in 1690. Grandfather Thomas Grosvenor had been a colonel in the Continental army and later served as a circuit judge. Peter Grosvenor had been a militia major during the War of 1812. At the age of five, Charles Grosvenor moved to Athens County, Ohio, with his family and settled in Rome Township.

Although the Grosvenor had a distinguished bloodline, whatever wealth the family may have once possessed appears to have been exhausted by the time young Charles reached his teens. A local historian, writing in 1883, described young Charles Grosvenor's education thusly:

"Our subject received his rudimentary education in the district (one room) schools of Athens County, and, being thrown upon his own resources at an early age, he was obliged to teach school, tend store and work on a farm in order to obtain means to further pursue his studies. In his private study he was assisted by his mother, an amiable and intelligent lady..."

When Grosvenor began his private studies in law, he did so under the tutelage of Lot L. Smith, a former Athens County Prosecuting Attorney and State Senator who belonged to Paramuthia Lodge No. 25. Ironically, Smith held firmly to Jacksonian Democratic views while Grosvenor was on his way to becoming a fervent Republican. Apparently it was during this time that twenty-three-year-old Charles petitioned Bartlett Lodge, U.D. (later No. 293), which lay just across the line in Washington County, not far from the family farm. Accepted, the young law student received his Entered Apprentice degree on April 11, 1857, passed as Fellowcraft on August 8, and was raised a Master Mason on September 5, 1857. Since Bartlett Lodge No. 293 received its charter that October, the Brethren counted young Charles Grosvenor among their charter members.

That same year, the young reader passed his bar exams. Since minimal opportunity for lawyers existed in rural areas outside of county seats, Charlie moved into Athens and formed a law partnership with Samuel S. Knowles, another Mason. He also applied for affiliation with Paramuthia Lodge and was admitted on June 22, 1858. Later that same year

he married Samantha Stewart, the granddaughter of Daniel Stewart, another Mason and a merchant in whose store young Grosvenor had once clerked. The marriage was apparently a happy one, but Samantha died after eight years, leaving a daughter.

Like others of his generation, Charles Grosvenor, in the Union Army soon after the War of the Republic started, was elected a major in the 18th O.V.I., and he became a regimental commander from November 1864. Brevetted a brigadier general in March 1865, Grosvenor in particular played a heroic role in the Battle of Nashville in mid-December 1864, and two weeks later he participated in the capture of Decatur, Alabama. He had earlier participated in such major battles as Stones River and Chickamauga. Brother and General George Thomas wrote that Grosvenor has served under my command since November 1862 and has on all occasions performed his duties with intelligence and zeal" in endorsing the Ohioan's successful promotion to full colonel. The brevet rank, however, remained sufficient for Charles Grosvenor to be known as "General" for the rest of his life.

Back in civilian status from October 1865, the General soon formed a new law partnership (Knowles had moved to Marietta) with Joseph M. Dana, who at one time or another held numerous local offices and also served as presiding officer of all the Athens Masonic bodies except the Commandery. Grosvenor also joined all of the local York Rite bodies: Athens Chapter No. 39, Royal Arch Masons; Athens Council No. 15, Royal and Select Masters: and Commandery No. 15, Knights Templar. Perhaps because of his years in military service Sir Knight Grosvenor showed a preference for Chivalric Masonry and served two years as Commander, 1877 and 1878. After a year as a widower, in 1867 he married again, this time to Louise Currier, the daughter of former Judge Ebenezer Currier. Ironically, the Currier Family had been leaders of the county's anti-Masonic faction in the 1830s.

As his law practice became more successful, Grosvenor took an increasing interest in politics. He had been a Republican Presidential elector for Grant in 1872 and the following year won election to the Athens County seat in the legislature. Reelected in 1875, he was chosen as Speaker of the House by his colleagues in Columbus. In 1879, his oratorical prowess had won the General sufficient reputation that he stumped widely in the state of Maine on behalf of the GOP ticket. In 1880 he again served as a Presidential elector. In 1881 Joseph M. Dana died, and the General obtained a new law partner in Evan Jones. In addition, he was a partner in a Meigs County law firm, Grosvenor and Vorhes.

In 1884 the General won his first of three consecutive terms to Congress. Since Democrats controlled the House and Grover Cleveland the Presidency, until 1889, the Sage of Athens" had little to show for his first two terms, but with a GOP Congress and Benjamin Harrison in the White House, the 1889-1890 legislative session accomplished a great deal. Long incumbencies were not common in Southern Ohio in the Gilded Age, and Grosvenor lost his bid for a fourth term when the Republican nomination went to another Masonic breveted brigadier, William Enoch of Ironton's Lawrence Lodge No. 198.

Redistricting in 1892 paved the way for a Grosvenor comeback. He then went on to serve seven more terms before being retired again in the 1906 nominating convention to a younger Republican, Brother Albert Douglas Chillicothe. In those days Ohio Republicans were factionalized with one group centering around Marc Hanna, John Sherman, and Brother William McKinley. The other centered around former Governor Joseph Foraker and future Governor Asa Bushnell, both Masons as well. Grosvenor allied himself with the Hanna-McKinley group. Usually the two factions reached an accommodation, and Republicans remained strong and united in Ohio through a difficult era.

The election of Sir Knight McKinley to the Presidency in November 1896 placed Grosvenor in a strong position. The congressman tended to be more conservative than the President but generally ranked among his most reliable allies in the House helping to steer such key legislation as the Dingley Tariff bill through Congress. Grosvenor also generally championed the

President's foreign policy in Congress but seemed especially valuable in dispensing political advice. The two could sometimes differ, however, as in 1900 when McKinley chose Brother Theodore Roosevelt as a running mate over the General's favorite, Brother Jonathan Dolliver of Iowa. After the President's martyrdom Grosvenor authored an affectionate biography of McKinley.

Some notion of Grosvenor's stature in his day may be gleaned from his travels on the Chatauqua circuit. He and a leading Democrat, Brother Champ Clark of Missouri (of Perseverance Lodge No. 92), would debate the leading issues of the day, often quite furiously on the stump in their touring schedules. Yet they often dined and traveled together as friends and Brothers when not on the rostrum. Clark in his autobiography (he later became Speaker of the House and experienced a near miss at the Presidency at the 1912 Democratic Convention) describes Grosvenor as a worthy opponent.

Grosvenor had less influence in the Teddy Roosevelt era, and besides the Sage of Athens" was increasingly showing signs of advancing age. In 1906, nearing seventy-three a younger man, Brother Albert Douglas, bested him for the GOP nomination. As he neared retirement, the Congress voted funding for a new post office building in his hometown. Returning to law practice in his hometown, the old general played a role in helping secure the 1908 Presidential nomination for soon to be Brother, William Howard Taft. Later he served on the Chickamauga Battlefield Commission. In 1910 when the Athens Masonic Bodies dedicated a new temple, General Grosvenor gave a public address on Masonry to the assembled throng.

Charles Grosvenor died at the age of eightyfour on October 30, 1917, some sixty years after he had been raised in Bartlett Lodge and a decade after he retired from Congress. He had a knight Templar service.



Soon to be Brother and President William Howard Taft and Charles Grosvenor, Athens, Ohio, 1908

Although nationally he is forgotten except to a handful of scholars of the McKinley era, his name lives on in his adopted hometown. Athens has a Grosvenor Street, Ohio University where he served as a trustee has a Grosvenor Hall, the B. & 0. and N.Y.C. railroads once intersected at Grosvenor Crossing, and for some years the mining town of Sugar Creek had the post office named Grosvenor before being changed to Poston. In his day few people in his part of America had a greater impact than Sir Knight Charles Henry Grosvenor.

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