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Sir Knights gather on the steps of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial for the Easter Sunrise Service 2000. The story and more pictures start on page 19.

July 2000-Grand Master's Message

The 61st Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment in Nashville, Tennessee, is at hand. Just a few more days until we convene the Triennial Conclave at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel. Arrangements have been made to accommodate you and your friends. I trust you have made plans, registered, and made room reservations for this landmark happening. If this has slipped your mind, **it is not too late** if you send in your registration and make your reservations **TODAY**

Sir Knights L. Alvin Hill, KCT, and Sid Dorris, KCT, Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Tennessee, are Co-chairmen of the Triennial Committee. They, with the help of many, many Sir Knights and ladies and others from Mississippi and Tennessee, have truly done and are doing an outstanding work. So has Sir Knight Fred F. Bean, P.G.C., KCT, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Mississippi, and Sir Knight Charles R. Neumann, P.G.C., KGCT, H.P.G.M., and Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment. On behalf of myself and the hundreds of others attending the Triennial Conclave who will profit by your labors, I say a sincere "THANK YOU." **You do well**

The other day I was looking through an old, old Sunday school study book, and I found a lesson on "**Integrity, Moral Uprightness.**" The lesson brought out many instances of the importance and power of **TRUTH** in our daily lives. The lesson stressed the importance of unselfish service, performing our duties and obligations to the best of our abilities, rejecting unrighteous temptation, temperance, and honest behavior. Shakespeare wrote in *Hamlet*: "This above all: to thine own self be true, And it must follow, as the night the day, Thou canst not then be false to any man." Sir Francis Bacon wrote in "Of Wisdom for a Man's Self": "Be so true to thyself, as thou be not false to others." Fratres, we must not forget, as soldiers of the Cross serving a true and living God, the absolute importance of being true to ourselves, of being as good as we say we are.

Masonic Alliance of North America (formerly the Intra-Fraternal Masonic Alliance): Masonic leaders from throughout the United States and Canada met in St. Louis, Missouri, on May 16 to continue the dialogue begun at the summit meeting in Tampa, Florida, on April 17. Participants at the Tampa meeting were invited to the St. Louis meeting along with others from their organizations they wanted to include. The full text of a press release giving details of the actions taken at this meeting are to be found on page 14 in this issue of our magazine and on ours and other web sites. I urge you to take the time to acquaint yourself with this information. I fully concur with and support the ideas contained in the "Mission Statement" and the "Vision Statement." Sir Knights, this is a step in the right direction, an effort to solidify the concept that we, as members of the family of Freemasonry, must work together in support of each other.

**Membership Pro
5/50 And Templary 2000 Crusade Work
No Negativism!
Go, Templars! Charge!**

**** EVERY CHRISTIAN MASON SHOULD BE A KNIGHT TEMPLAR! **** I'm done pumping! You do make me proud! Godspeed!



A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Morris Ward". The signature is fluid and cursive.

James Morris Ward, Grand Master, KGC

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

JULY: In this issue are the comprehensive results of the 32nd Annual Voluntary Campaign for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, starting on page 5! Many Grand and Constituent Commanderies will be pleased, others will find inspiration for the next Campaign, but when the results are added to the totals of other contributions, we can all be proud! Follow the progress of the Masonic Alliance of North America (MANA) on page 14, and whether you were there or not, revisit the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service and its other activities, starting on page 19. (Our July cover is a celebration of this outstanding Templar tradition!) Read about and applaud the success of the Templary 2000 Crusade, page 22. (Page 21 tells of a success story in Michigan!) The life of Brother Roscoe Turner with original artwork by author, Sir Knight Joseph Bennett, continues on page 23, so as usual there is a lot to enjoy and much to learn!

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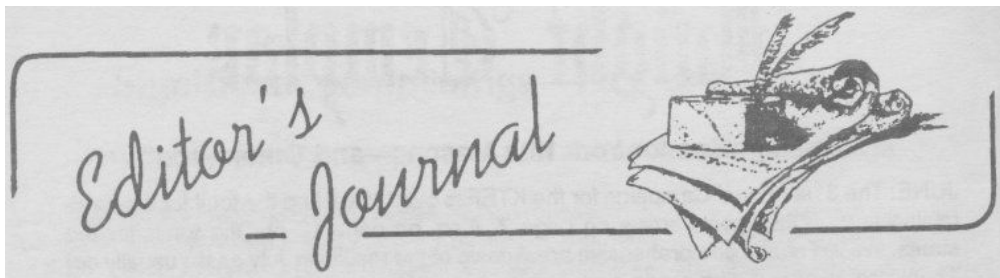
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Needlepoint Kits Available: Several years ago the Grand Encampment began offering needlepoint kits for sale. These kits include a printed canvas with the Knight Templar emblem in red, white, yellow, and black on a white background. Kits are still available and include the printed canvas, needle and yam (finished size is 10 by 10 inches). The cost of a single kit is \$11.50 postpaid, or \$10.50 each in quantities of three or more. Orders may be sent to: Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101, Chicago, IL 60630-2460.

Attention: all Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be in office as Grand Commanders on November 1, 2000; or Grand Recorders: In the upcoming November issue, *Knight Templar* magazine will again present pictures of those Sir Knights who are Grand Commanders on November 1. Please provide us with a photograph of yourself in uniform by September 10, 2000. 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, 2000. After that date, it may not be possible to include them in the November magazine.

Now available: 2-volume set of *History of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America* by Francis J. Scully, MD., and *History of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America - Book II* by Lt. Col. Jacob C. Baird, Chairman, the Committee on Knights Templar History. One or both are a great gift for that Sir Knight or anyone else who is fascinated by Templar history. As a set, the two books are \$25.00 plus \$3.50 S. & H. (\$28.50). Separately, each book is \$15.00 plus \$2.50 S. & H. (\$17.50). Make check or M.O. payable to the Grand Encampment and send to: the Grand Recorder; Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago, IL 60630-2460.

A Pilgrim's Path: Freemasonry and the Religious Right: This is John J. Robinson's last book, and it is available as a hardbound copy. Every Mason should want this intriguing and educational book in his library. The book is available for \$15.00 each, plus \$2.50 shipping and handling.

Born in Blood: The exciting book by John J. Robinson is available at the price of \$16.00, including shipping and handling. • **Dungeon, Fire, and Sword:** This history of the Knights Templar by the late John J. Robinson is available for \$20.00 each, plus \$3.00 shipping and handling. Please make checks payable to the Grand Encampment, and send them to the Grand Recorder; Grand Encampment, Knights Templar; 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460.

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Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America
<http://www.knightstemplar.org>

General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons, international
<http://members.aol.com/GGCOUNCIL/HomePage.html>

General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International
<http://members.aol.com/GGCHAPTER/HomePage.html>

York Rite Freemasonry . The International Information Site
<http://members.aol.com/YorkRiteFM/HomePage.html>

Eye Foundation Campaign Closes

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation reports a contribution total for the 32nd Annual Voluntary Campaign of \$1,184,415.83, \$243,622.91 more than last year. The total is below our goal; however, some Commanderies did an outstanding job as you can see for yourself from the following listings. Thanks to all those who worked so hard. A total of 1,180 Commanderies participated in this year's campaign, 51 more than last year.

Georgia, Montana, Alabama, and New Hampshire are the only achievers of 100% Life Sponsorship - every Sir Knight in these Grand Commanderies is now a Life Sponsor. Although many more Commanderies have achieved this goal, their entire Grand Commandery has not.

Texas took the lead in total dollars contributed, with Missouri in second position and Pennsylvania third. A listing of top Grand Commanderies on a per capita basis found Missouri first, followed by the District of Columbia and Connecticut, second and third respectively. The top subordinate Commandery on a per capita basis is Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba, and the top subordinate Commandery for total dollars contributed is Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska.

Plaques and seals are being prepared for the 208 constituent and subordinate Commanderies that reported contributions of \$10.00 or more per member. 163 Commanderies contributing \$5.00 to \$9.99 per member will receive certificates. These Commanderies are listed on the following pages.

TOP GRAND COMMANDERIES ON A PER CAPITA BASIS			
No. 1	MISSOURI Louis L. Monken, Chairman	\$19.14 per member	Total—\$139,007.69
No. 2	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA John C. Werner II, Chairman	\$17.89 per member	Total—\$6,853.00
No. 3	CONNECTICUT Edwin F. Dings, Chairman	\$17.68 per member	Total—\$24,894.00
TOP SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES ON A PER CAPITA BASIS			
	Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba	\$25.93 per member	Total—\$700.00
	Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska	\$14.50 per member	Total—\$4,190.00
	Kalakaua No. 2, Kailua, Hawaii	\$10.71 per member	Total—\$300.00

Top Grand Commanderies In Dollar Totals

No. 1	TEXAS Thomas C. Snedecor, Chairman	Total—\$144,983.69
No. 2	MISSOURI Louis L. Monken, Chairman	Total—\$139,007.69
No. 3	PENNSYLVANIA Bryan L. Berry, Chairman	Total—\$87,516.08

TOP SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS

Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska
Total—\$4,190.00

Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany
Total—\$900.00

Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba
\$700.00

TOP TEN COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS

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| 1. TEXAS | 6. MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND |
| 2. MISSOURI | 7. CALIFORNIA |
| 3. PENNSYLVANIA | 8. OHIO |
| 4. GEORGIA | 9. MICHIGAN |
| 5. TENNESSEE | 10. FLORIDA |

TOP TEN COMMANDERIES IN PER CAPITA TOTALS

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| 1. MISSOURI | 6. MARYLAND |
| 2. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 7. COLORADO |
| 3. CONNECTICUT | 8. UTAH |
| 4. NEW JERSEY | 9. NEW HAMPSHIRE |
| 5. OREGON | 10. TEXAS |

Constituent Commanderies Reporting \$10.00 or More Per Member
(Per capita is within 10 cents of minimum.)

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ALABAMA: Anniston No. 23, Anniston; Lee No. 45, Phenix City.

ARIZONA: Phoenix No. 3, Phoenix; Columbine No. 9, Safford; Yuma No. 10, Yuma;
Burning Taper No. 15, Sierra Vista; Apache No. 16, Mesa.

ARKANSAS: Baldwin No. 4, Fayetteville; Osceola No. 32, Osceola.

CALIFORNIA: Ventura No. 18, Ventura; Orange County No. 36, Anaheim; Santa Monica Bay
No. 61, Santa Monica; Merced No. 69, Merced.

COLORADO: Denver-Colorado No. 1, Denver; Central City No. 2, Central City; Georgetown No. 4, Georgetown; Pikes Peak No. 6, Colorado Springs; Longs Peak No. 12, Longmont; DeMolay No. 13, Fort Collins; Glenwood No. 20, Glenwood Springs; Temple No. 23, Grand Junction; St. Bernard No. 41, Denver.

CONNECTICUT: Washington No. 1, East Hartford; New Haven No. 2, New Haven; Hamilton No. 5, Stratford; Cyrene No. 8, Middletown; St. Elmo No. 9, Meriden; Crusader No. 10, Danbury.

DELAWARE: Trinity No. 3, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Columbia No. 2, Washington, D.C.

FLORIDA: Chipola No. 22, Marianna; Winter Haven No. 37, Winter Haven.

GEORGIA: Georgia No. 1, Augusta; St. Omer No. 2, Macon; St. Aldemar No. 3, Columbus; Couer de Lion No. 4, College Park; DeMolay No. 5, Americus; Palestine No. 7, Savannah; Ivanhoe No. 10, Fort Valley; Plantagenet No. 12, Milledgeville; Malta No. 16, Valdosta; St. Johns No. 19, Dalton; St. Elmo No. 21, Brunswick; Alexius No. 22, Jackson; Hebron No. 23, Carrollton; St. Bernard No. 25, Covington; Constantine No. 26, Marietta; Charles Martel No. 29, Chickamauga; Bethlehem No. 30, Thomasville; Arnold de Troye No. 31, Buford; Rhodes No. 34, Hawkinsville; Griffin No. 35, Griffin; Waycross No. 36, Waycross; Blue Ridge Mountain No. 37, McCaysville; DeKalb No. 38, Decatur; Douglasville No. 40, Douglasville; Amicalola No. 41, Jasper; Coastal Plain No. 42, Tifton.

ILLINOIS: Elwood No. 6, Springfield; Aurora No. 22, Yorkville; Galena No. 40, Galena; St. Elmo No. 64, Chicago; Chicago Heights No. 78, Lansing; Trinity No. 80, Downers Grove.

INDIANA: Muncie No. 18, Muncie.

IOWA: Siloam No. 3, Dubuque; Damascus No. 5, Keokuk; St. Simon of Cyrene No. 9, Davenport; Beauseant No. 12, Decorah; St. Johns No. 21, Centerville; Oriental No. 22, Newton; Ascalon No. 25, Waterloo; Apollo No. 26, Cedar Rapids; St. Aldemar No. 30, Marshalltown; Kenneth No. 32, Independence; Bruce No. 34, Red Oak; Zerubbabel No. 68, Albia; Ascension No. 69, Ames.

KANSAS: El Dorado No. 19, El Dorado; Reno No. 26, Hutchinson.

KENTUCKY: Paducah No. 11, Paducah; Glasgow No. 36, Glasgow; Mayfield No. 49, Mayfield.

LOUISIANA: Jacques de Molay No. 2, New Orleans; Plains No. 11, Baton Rouge; C. A. Everitt No. 29, Slidell.

MAINE: Portland No. 2, Portland.

MARYLAND: Jacques de Molay No. 4, Frederick; Beauseant No. 8, Cockeysville; St. Bernard No. 9, Hagerstown; Montgomery No. 13, Rockville.

MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND: St. Johns No. 1, Cranston, RI; Newburyport No. 3, Newburyport, MA; Holy Sepulcher No. 8, Pawtucket, RI; Pilgrim No. 9, Lowell, MA; Milford No. 11, Milford, MA; St. Bernard No. 12, Boston, MA; Haverhill No. 14, Haverhill, MA; Cambridge No. 42, Cambridge, MA.

MICHIGAN: Monroe No. 19, Monroe; St. Johns No. 24, St. Johns; Lexington No. 27, Lexington; Ithaca No. 40, Alma; Bad Axe No. 52, Bad Axe; Redford No. 55, Dearborn.

MINNESOTA: Ivanhoe No. 31, St. Peter.

MISSOURI: Ascalon No. 16, St. Louis; Palestine No. 17, Independence; St. Charles No. 73, St. Charles.

MONTANA: Helena No. 2, Helena. *NEBRASKA*: St. John No. 16, McCook.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: Trinity No. 1, Manchester; St. Paul No. 5, Dover; Pilgrim No. 10, West Franklin.

NEW JERSEY: Delta Damascus No. 5, Union; Cyrene No. 7, Cherry Hill.

NEW YORK: Malta No. 21, Binghamton; Coeur de Lion No. 23, New York City; St. Johns No. 24, Salamanca; Central City No. 25, Solvay; St. Augustine No. 38, Ithaca; Norwich No. 46, Norwich; Otsego No. 76, Cooperstown; Tonawanda No. 78, Tonawanda; Blue Ridge No. 79, Brooklyn.

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OKLAHOMA: DeMolay No. 7, Chickasha.

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SOUTH DAKOTA: Dakota No. 1, Spearfish; Damascus No. 10, Aberdeen.

TENNESSEE: St. Elmo No. 4, Memphis; Cyprus No. 23, Knoxville; Kingsport No. 33, Kingsport; Millington No. 39, Millington.

TEXAS: Ruthven No. 2, Houston; Indivisible Friends No. 13, Sherman; Brownwood No. 22, Brownwood; Corpus Christi No. 57, Corpus Christi; Midland No. 84, Midland; Taylor No. 85, Gun Barrel City.

UTAH: El Monte No. 2, Ogden.

VERMONT: Burlington No. 2, Burlington; Palestine No. 5, St. Johnsbury; Taft No. 8, Bennington.

VIRGINIA: Fredericksburg No. 1, Fredericksburg; Appomattox No. 6, Petersburg; Dove No. 7, Danville; Old Dominion No. 11, Alexandria; Fairfax No. 25, Culpepper; Piedmont No. 26, Manassas; Moomaw No. 27, Lexington; Arlington No. 29, Arlington; George W. Wright No. 31, Martinsville; Blacksburg No. 32, Blacksburg; Penn-Neck No. 33, Urbanna.

WASHINGTON: Temple No. 5, Ellensburg; Hesperus No. 8, Bellingham; Vancouver No. 10, Vancouver; St. Helens No. 12, Chehalis; Columbia No. 14, Wenatchee; Cowlitz No. 29, Longview.

WEST VIRGINIA: Pilgrim No. 21, Elkins.

WISCONSIN: Crusade No. 17, Stevens Point; Platteville No. 35, Platteville; Manitowoc No. 45, Manitowoc.

WYOMING: Hugh de Payen No. 7, Lander; Constantine No. 9, Cody; Clelland No. 12, Douglas; Platte No. 17, Wheatland.

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CARROCCIO NO. 1: Milan, Italy

SOLO DI ARUBA NO. 1: Aruba

KALAKAUA NO. 2: Kailua, Hawaii

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ARIZONA: Ivanhoe No. 2, Prescott; Scottsdale No. 12, Scottsdale; Mohave No. 13, Kingman.

ARKANSAS: Hot Springs No. 5, Hot Springs; Trinity No. 33, Malvern.

CALIFORNIA: Pacific No. 3, Sonora; Nevada No. 6, Nevada City; San Jose No. 10, San Jose; St. Omer No. 30, Santa Barbara; San Gabriel Valley No. 31, Rosemead; Palo Alto No. 47; Palo Alto; Whittier-St. Johns No. 51, Whittier; Contra Costa No. 59, Concord.

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CONNECTICUT: Clinton No. 3, Norwalk; Palestine No. 6, Mystic; St. Johns No. 11, North Windham.

DELAWARE: St. John's No. 1, Wilmington; St. Andrew's No. 2, Dover.

FLORIDA: Coeur de Lion No. 1, Pensacola; Palatka No. 5, Palatka; Plant City No. 6, Plant City; Oriental No. 9, Daytona Beach; Miami No. 13, Miami; Lakeland No. 21, Lakeland; Ft. Meyers No. 32, Ft. Meyers; Melita No. 35, Dania; Emmanuel No. 36, Deland; Springtime No. 40, Clearwater.

GEORGIA: William Tracy Gould No. 6, Forsyth. *IDAHO*: Idaho No. 1, Boise; Gate City No. 4, Pocatello.

ILLINOIS: Apollo No. 1, Wheaton; Belvidere No. 2, Alton; Ivanhoe No. 33, Kankakee; St. Bernard No. 35, Chicago.

INDIANA: South Bend No. 13, South Bend; H W. Matthewson No. 66, Rensselaer.

IOWA: DeMolay No. 1, Muscatine; Palestine No. 2, Iowa City; De Payens No. 6, Oskaloosa; Holy Cross No. 10, Clinton; St. Omer No. 15, Burlington; Antioch No. 43, Mason City; Bethlehem No. 45, Washington.

KENTUCKY: Webb No. 1, Lexington; Louisville-DeMolay No. 12, Louisville; Newport No. 13, Newport; Princeton No. 35, Princeton; Conrad H. Cates No. 37, Elizabethtown; Williamsburg No. 50, Williamsburg.

LOUISIANA: Indivisible Friends No. 1, New Orleans; Monroe No. 7, Monroe; Malta No. 12, Lake Charles; Payen No. 16, Lafayette; Ivanhoe No. 19, New Orleans.

MARYLAND: Crusade No. 5, Baltimore; St. Elmo No. 12, Hyattsville; York No. 16, Camp Springs; Carroll No. 17, Westminster.

MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND: Washington No. 4, Portsmouth, RI; Gethsemane DeMolay No. 7, Newtonville, MA; Calvary No. 13, E. Providence, RI; Sutton No. 16, New Bedford, MA; Athol-Orange No. 37, Athol, MA; Bay State No. 38, Brockton, MA; St. Paul No. 40, North Adams, MA.

MICHIGAN: Detroit No. 1, Detroit.

MINNESOTA: Damascus No. 1, St. Paul; Palestine No. 14, Fergus Falls.

MISSISSIPPI: DeMolay No. 8, Columbus; Greenwood No. 24, Greenwood.

MISSOURI: St. Graal No. 12, Columbia; Calvary No. 28, Fulton; Oriental No. 35, Kansas City.

MONTANA: Black Eagle No. 8, Great Falls; St. John No. 12, Bozeman; Glasgow No. 13, Glasgow; Crusade No. 17, Hamilton; Allenby No. 20, Forsyth.

NEBRASKA: Mt. Calvary No. 1, Omaha; Mt. Moriah No. 4, Lincoln; Damascus No. 20, Norfolk.

NEVADA: Edward C. Peterson No. 8, Carson City.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: Mt. Horeb No. 3, Concord; Sullivan/Hugh de Payens No. 6, Claremont; Palestine No. 11, Rochester.

NEW JERSEY: Bergen No. 1, Hackensack; Melita No. 13, Butler; Corson No. 15, Red Bank; Trinity No. 17, Plainfield.

NEW MEXICO: Las Cruces No. 11, Las Cruces.

NEW YORK: Temple No. 2, Albany; Cyrene-Monroe No. 12, Rochester; Salem Town No. 16, Auburn; St. Omers No. 19, Elmira; Batavia No. 34, Batavia; Poughkeepsie No. 43, Poughkeepsie; Bethlehem-Crusader No. 53, White Plains.

OHIO: De Molay No. 9, Tiffin; Oriental No. 12, Chagrin Falls; Shawnee No. 14, Lima; St. Johns No. 20, Youngstown; Canton No. 38, Canton; Fremont No. 56, Fremont; Valley No. 80, Miamisburg.

OKLAHOMA: Enid No. 13, Enid; Ben Hur No. 14, Ponca City; St. Aumer No. 29, Woodward.

OREGON: Pendleton No. 7, Milton-Freewater.

PENNSYLVANIA: St. Johns No. 8, Carlisle; Northern No. 16, Towanda; Kedron No. 18, Greensburg; York-Gethsemane No. 21, York; Packer No. 23, Jim Thorpe; Allegheny No. 35, Pittsburgh; Prince of Peace No. 39, Ashland; Continental No. 56, Chambersburg; Oriental No. 61, Johnstown; Huntingdon No. 65, Huntingdon; Bethlehem No. 90, Bethlehem; Beauceant No. 94, Allentown.

SOUTH CAROLINA: South Carolina No. 1, Charleston; Columbia No. 2, Columbia; Spartanburg No. 3, Spartanburg.

TENNESSEE: Nashville No. 1, Nashville; De Payens No. 11, Franklin; Morristown No. 22, Morristown; Plateau No. 38, Crossville.

TEXAS: Denison No. 24, Denison; Kilgore No. 104, Kilgore; Litt S. Perry No. 111, Lake Jackson.

UTAH: Utah No. 1, Salt Lake City; Malta No. 3, Midvale; Ivanhoe No. 5, Provo; Charles Fred Jennings No. 6, Price.

VERMONT? Lafayette No. 3, St. Albans; Killington No. 6, Rutland; Holy Cross No. 12, Bellows Falls.

VIRGINIA: Richmond No. 2, Richmond; De Molay No. 4, Lynchburg; Portsmouth No. 5, Portsmouth; Lynn No. 9, Marion; Winchester No. 12, Winchester; Bayard No. 15, Roanoke; Malta No. 24, Onancock.

WASHINGTON: Seattle No. 2, Seattle; Ivanhoe No. 4, Tacoma.

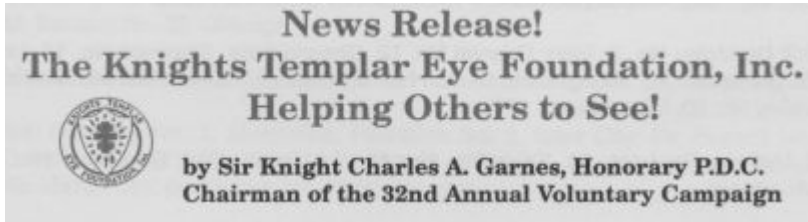
WEST VIRGINIA: Wheeling No. 1, Wheeling; Huntington No. 9, Huntington.

WISCONSIN: Wisconsin No. 1, Milwaukee; Marinette No. 26, Marinette; Clintonville No. 44, Clintonville.

WYOMING: Ivanhoe No. 2, Rawlins; Immanuel No. 3, Laramie; Ascalon No. 5, Green River.

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PUERTO RICO: Porto Rico No. 1, San Juan.



The 32nd Annual Voluntary Campaign ended April 30, 2000. The Willard Meredith Avery Train delivered a total of \$1,184,415.83 from thousands of Sir Knights, friends, and organizations as their gifts and support poured in for that great charity, the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., extends thanks to all the Sir Knights, ladies, and organizations for this great support of our charity, and those who will benefit in the preservation of sight because of these funds also extend their thanks to all who care enough to help those in need.

What is the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.?:

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees

comprised of six elected officers, all Past Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment, and six Trustees-at-Large elected by the membership for a term of nine years. Medical and technical advice for the Foundation is provided by a selected group of doctors of ophthalmology, whose assistance is freely given without compensation.

Objectives of the Foundation:

The objectives of the Foundation are to provide research, surgical treatment, and hospitalization for those who suffer from diseases or injuries to the eye, which if untreated might result in blindness. This includes the correction of strabismus (cross-eyes) in children up to the age of 16 years. Such persons are provided with the cost of treatment, surgery, and hospitalization in a place of their own.

choosing and by physicians of their own choice, without regard to race, creed, color, age, sex, or national origin if they are unable to pay and cannot receive adequate assistance from Medicare, social services, state aid or similar sources. However, they must be residents of the USA for a period of not less than one year.

Source of Funds:

Funds for the operation of the Foundation are obtained in part from an annual assessment of each Knight Templar, contributions from Masonic organizations, fund-raising activities, memorials, wills and bequests, donations, and from endowment funds or similar sources.

Permanent Donor Fund (a new recognition for giving):

The Permanent Donor Fund was implemented on March 1, 1999, to give perpetual recognition to individuals, corporations, or foundations that make an initial donation of \$10,000. Additional amounts of \$1,000.00 or more may be added to the Fund. Each year the Permanent Donor Funds will be listed in the Annual Report so that the donor who establishes the fund will be recognized as a Philanthropist. Permanent Donor Fund forms are available from the KTEF office or by e-mail: ktef@knightstemplar.org

THE PERMANENT DONOR FUND NOW HAS 14 PARTICIPANTS WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED OVER \$150,000.00.

The direct mail program produced over \$143,000.00. This was the first attempt of the Foundation to do a direct mailing to all members. It is interesting to note that many members who never contributed in the past made a donation because of the direct mail appeal.

Many individuals used the credit card plan to make their donations. This approach eliminates costly checks and provides convenience to the donor. Our Record as of this date:

Since 1956 over \$69 million have been spent on approved cases. Applications have been received from over 63,900 people, and research grants total over \$5 million.

How to apply for help:

Application for assistance from the Foundation can be made through any Knight Templar who is a member of one of over 1,200 constituent Commanderies in the Grand Encampment. Information is also available from the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., 5097 North Elston Avenue, Suite 100, Chicago IL 60630-2460; phone: (773) 205-3838, fax: (773) 205-1689, or e-mail: ktef@knightstemplar.org

Other Help is Available:

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc., is a co-sponsor of the **National Eye Care Project**, which helps those persons 65 years of age or over who do not have an ophthalmologist. Anyone wishing to contact N.E.C.P. may do so by calling 800-222-EYES. Tell them you were referred by a Knight Templar.

Sir Knight Charles A. Garnes, Honorary Past Department Commander and P.G.C. of Pennsylvania, is the Campaign Chairman of the 32nd Annual Voluntary Campaign and is 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.com. For information on the KTEF, send e-mail to ktef@knightstemplar.org

Press Release!—Masonic Alliance of North America

Masonic leaders throughout the United States and Canada met on May 16, 2000, in St. Louis, Missouri, to continue a dialogue about the formation of a Masonic Alliance of North America. This meeting was a follow-up of the Summit meeting held on April 17, 2000, in Tampa, Florida. Participants of the Tampa meeting were invited to the St. Louis meeting along with anyone they wished to include from their organizations. After initial discussion, the group changed the name of the proposed Alliance from "Intra-Fraternal Masonic Alliance" to **Masonic Alliance of North America (MANA)** and issued the following mission statement:

"Mission Statement: The purpose of the Masonic Alliance of North America is to promote and evaluate ways and means to increase Masonic membership and fraternalism, thus continuing Masonry's position as the world's premiere fraternal organization."

"Vision Statement: The vision of the Masonic Alliance of North America is to combine resources and to work in harmony to promote membership in the Masonic-based organizations within the United States and Canada.

"Our intent is to assist member organizations in their efforts to increase Masonic membership by providing them with the professional resources necessary to evaluate existing programs and to develop new ideas for implementation if so desired.

"The Alliance will promote programs that attract and retain men of good character, by providing them with a Masonic network of opportunities which, in all its manifestations, is worthy of their involvement, valuable to their families, and relevant to today's society.

"The Alliance is voluntary and, therefore, made up only of those Masonic organizations that want to be a part of a cooperative solution to the problems common to all Alliance members.

"Committed to the preservation of sovereignty of each member organization, the Masonic Alliance of North America envisions a unified spirit that will provide resources necessary to implement collective strategies for mutual benefit and growth."

The following were in attendance:

Ronald D. Miller, Grand Lodge of Missouri, Grand Secretary
J. Garrie Burr, Grand Lodge of Illinois, Grand Master
James E. Durbin, Grand Lodge of Illinois, Deputy Grand Master
Keith W. Dean, Grand Lodge of Florida, Grand Master
Louis A. King, Grand Lodge of Florida, Deputy Grand Master
Fred K. Bauer, Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, Grand Master
Robert F. Dluge, Jr., Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Grand Master
Marvin Cunningham, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Deputy Grand Master
Marvin G. Speicher, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Grand Treasurer
John L. Cooper III, Grand Lodge of California, Grand Secretary
Lanny R. Sander, Grand Lodge of Oklahoma, Grand Master
Rodney W. Johnson, Grand Lodge of Colorado, Grand Master
Edward L. Zorn, Grand Lodge of Colorado, Sr. Grand Deacon
S. Brent Morris, Grand Lodge of Maryland, Representative
James M. Ward, Grand Encampment, Grand Master
William J. Jones, Grand Encampment, Deputy Grand Master
Charles R. Neumann, Grand Encampment, Grand Recorder
Robert O. Ralston, A.A.S.R., N.M.J., Sovereign Grand Commander
Robert W. Clarke, A.A.S.R., N.M.J., Minister of State
Ralph W. Semb, Shrine of North America, Imperial Potentate
Kenneth W. Smith, Shrine of North America, Imperial Chief Rabban
Gary W. Dunwoody, Shrine of North America, Imperial 1st Ceremonial Master
Bernard J. Lemieux, Shrine of North America, Imperial Marshal
C. Fred Kleinknect, A. & A.S.R., S.J., Sovereign Grand Commander
Ronald A. Seale, A. & A.S.R., S.J., Lt. Grand Commander
William G. Sizemore, A. & A.S.R., S.J., Grand Executive Director
Glenn M. Martin, A.A.S.R. of Canada, Sovereign Grand Commander
Norman E. Byrne, A.A.S.R. of Canada, Lt. Grand Commander

Albert The Alligator Receives Highest Award!

by Alfred A. Northacker, Ph.D., Regional Director - Imperial Public Relations



Gator alumni, students, and Florida Gator University fans should be interested in learning that Brother Bradley Earl Williams, aka "Albert the Alligator," University of Florida's famous mascot, is one of five students to receive this year's annual Seminal Member of the D. R. "Billy" Matthew's society, Highest Leadership Honorary at the university.

His education and training, along with academic and professional work experience, have given rise to many honors and awards. He has served the public (lecturing and

speaking) and is known particularly for his role as "Albert the Alligator," co-starring with Michael Jordan in a Gatorade commercial and making over 650 national television appearances as "Albert the alligator," representing the University of Florida and the Gainesville, Florida community

Brother Williams, shown getting ready to don his alligator uniform, is also a member, treasurer, and director of public relations for Archer Lodge No. 197, F. & A.M.; representative of Masonic Service Association for North Florida, Hospital Service for Veterans Affairs; a member of Gainesville York Rite Bodies and Scimitar Shrine Temple; Public Relations Director of Gainesville Shrine Club; and chairman of two committees of the 14th District, Florida, F. & A.M. He has also petitioned the White Shrine of Jerusalem and Amaranth

KCT and GCT Award Recipients: A 2½ 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.



John Fitch Adams
Michigan
Grand Commander-1984
Born August 27, 1918
Died May 16, 2000

So let him sleep that dreamless sleep
or sorrows clustering around each head;
Be comforted, ye loved who weep,
He lives with God - he is not dead.
He has laid aside the trestle board,
The compasses and the square;
He has resigned the purple robe
For brighter raiments there.
His toil is o'er, his work is done,
His capstone laid, the triumph won

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Chapter VI

Features of Triennial Conclaves

Fifty-fifth-1982

For the first time ever in the history of the Grand Encampment, a Triennial Conclave was held in the state of Arkansas! On Thursday, August 12, 1982, Sir Knights began to arrive in Hot Springs to prepare for the Fifty-fifth Triennial Conclave. First on the scene were the Trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and the Knights Templar Educational Loan Foundation; others were the drill judges and the drill team captains. Other committee meetings took place on Saturday - the Committee on Templar Jurisprudence, the Committee on Dispensations and Charters, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Ritualistic Matters. The other Saturday activity was the day-long Drill Team Competition in the Convention Auditorium. That night the awards for the competition were presented with an enthusiastic and attentive throng in attendance.

The first order of the day on Sunday was the beginning of the rounds of breakfasts (and lunches and dinners). Sunday breakfast was followed by the Divine Services which were held in the Hot Springs Convention Center with the Reverend and Sir Knight George F. Ivey, Right Eminent Grand Prelate, in charge. He spoke on "The Cross of Passion." He was assisted by the Reverends and Sir Knights Olin E. Lehman, Eugene H. Buxton, and L. D. Foreman. The wonderful voices of the combined City Choirs of Hot Springs under the direction of Sir Knight Richard G. Morris were enjoyed by all.

The supplement editors of the *Knights Templar* magazine met with the assistant editor, Joan Behrens, and Sir Knight Paul C. Rodenhauser, the Grand Recorder. There was also a "separate and independent assembly of the Mutual Guild." However, the main attraction of the evening was the reception held for the Most Eminent Grand Master, Sir Knight Kenneth Culver Johnson; his wife Yvonne; and the other officers of the Grand Encampment and their wives. There was a throng of several hundred present to compliment them on the dedicated work they had accomplished during the triennium.

At 9:00 A.M. on Monday, August 16, at the Downtown Convention Auditorium in Hot Springs, Sir Knight M. C. Lewis, "a Five Star Arkansas Leader," and Chairman of the Committee on Triennial Conclave, began the introductions of the officers of the Grand Commandery of Arkansas. When Grand Commander Percy A. Wright was introduced, he called upon his Grand Prelate, Roland A. Darrow, to "lead us in our devotions." The Grand Commander then welcomed those assembled and asked Sir Knight Lewis to introduce the officers of the Grand Encampment. When Grand Master Johnson was introduced, he thanked his escort and asked the Grand Commander to dismiss his officers. He called upon the Grand Recorder to introduce the distinguished guests, of whom there were forty-seven. Each Grand Commander, accompanied by his state flag, was introduced. When the "Stars and Stripes of the United States of America" was announced, the "National Anthem" was sung in unison.

The first distinguished visitor invited to speak was Most Worshipful Brother and Sir Knight M. Monroe Robinson, Grand Master of Masons of Arkansas; he spoke

for only a couple of minutes. W. Stanley Wright, Past Supreme Grand Master, Sovereign Grand Priory of Canada, rose for the purpose of making a presentation. He presented to the Grand Encampment a family Bible which had been in the family of Sir Knight Raymond W. Phebus for more than one hundred years. Sir Knight Phebus, who had been active in Freemasonry for many years, had donated in excess of three million dollars to the Shrine Hospitals for Crippled Children. He passed away in 1977 and had asked that the Bible be given to a Masonic organization. The Past Supreme Grand Master also gave a short prayer of commemoration.

Other distinguished guests who spoke were: Mrs. Mary Sperry, Supreme Inspector, Rainbow for Girls, Arkansas; Mrs. Peggy Walker, Grand Matron, Order of the Eastern Star, Arkansas; Mrs. Gene Piner, Supreme Guardian, International Order of Job's Daughters; Mrs. Agnes McLeod, Supreme Worthy Advisor, Rainbow for Girls; Mrs. Charlotte Cottrell, widow of the late Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment; Mrs. Mary Brewer, Supreme Royal Matron, Order of the Amaranth; Mrs. Herbert S. Roth, Supreme Recorder, Supreme Assembly, Social Order of the Beauceant; Mrs. Charles H. Lee, Supreme Worthy President, Social Order of the Beauceant; Mrs. Otto Stizek, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron, General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; and Dr. Daniel E. Bowers, Imperial Potentate, Imperial Council of the Shrine. A recess was declared, and the Conclave reconvened at 2:00 P.M. for its first business session.

On Tuesday night there was entertainment at the Convention Auditorium. It starred JoAnn Castle, the "rinky dink" pianist who had performed with the Lawrence Welk Show for ten years. Performing with her were a five-man combo and two "back up" singers. Everything - even dress for the event - was informal, and the evening was enjoyed by all who attended.

Another highlight of the Conclave was on Wednesday night when the Grand Master's Banquet was held. Again, a "first ever" - the first National Award was presented to Dr. A. Edward Maumanee, ophthalmologist-adviser for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The Doctor responded eloquently to Grand Master Johnson, who made the presentation. The National Award had been approved by the 54th Triennial Conclave; one is to be presented at each Triennial Conclave.

At the installation of officers on Thursday morning, Mrs. John B. Cottrell, Jr., widow of the late Deputy Grand Master, presented 'a lapel jewel to the Grand Encampment for use by the Grand Master during his incumbency.' The jewel is to be "passed along to each succeeding Grand Master to be worn during his Triennial term as a perpetual tribute to the late Sir Knight John B. Cottrell, Jr."

Fifty-sixth-1985

"Cincinnati proved to be a beautiful location for the 56th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America; we were situated on a river in the warm days of August. Templars traveled from all parts of the nation and from several different countries to attend this event, with our Most Eminent Grand Master Ned Eugene Dull presiding in the premier Templar office.

"Templar activities were preceded on Thursday, August 8, with the registration room being set up in the Netherland Plaza Hotel's Continental Room. Many Templars arrived on Friday, August 9, in preparation for the Drill Team Competition which was scheduled to be held on Saturday from 7:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. In actuality, drill competition began at 7:00 A.M. and continued nonstop until 6:30 P.M., with eight 'A' teams and twenty 'B' teams being judged by fourteen Templar judges.

Annual Meeting of Scottish Rite Supreme Council, 33^o N.M.J.

Pittsburgh will be the site of this year's annual meeting of the Scottish Rite Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. More than 2,500 Thirty-third Degree Masons and their ladies from 15 northeastern states are expected at the meeting on Sept. 24-27. The Supreme Council last met in Pittsburgh in 1989.

The 2000 Session will be highlighted by the conferral of the organization's Thirty-third Degree upon 318 Scottish Rite Masons who were elected for this high honor at last year's meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey. This year's millennium class will be the largest in recent years. The Thirty-third Degree is awarded for outstanding achievement in the Fraternity or for significant contributions to others, reflecting credit on Freemasonry. The impressive ceremony will take place on Tuesday, Sept. 26, in the Pittsburgh Convention Center.

Introductory luncheons honoring the Thirty-third Degree candidates and their ladies will be on the schedule for Sunday NOON.

Earlier business conferences attended by the Active Members and officers of the Supreme Council will be held on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 22-23.

The larger-scale events will begin on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 24, when the Pittsburgh Convention Center will be the scene of the traditional Supreme Council Vesper Service. The Reverend Dale R. Smith, 32^o, will deliver the Vesper message. He is Senior Minister, Level Green Community; Past District Superintendent of the Western Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church; and Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Assisting will be Sovereign Grand Commander Robert O. Ralston, 33^o; Grand Prior Kenneth V. Kettlewell, 33^o, Interim Pastor, Second Presbyterian

Church in Cambridge, Ohio; and Rev. Richard G. Morledge, 32^o, Pastor Emeritus, First Presbyterian Church in Bakerstown, PA; Past Dean of the Chapel at Grove City College; and Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

Grand Commander Ralston will preside over the general sessions of the Supreme Council on Monday, Sept. 25. In the course of these sessions, prominent leaders from other Masonic organizations in the United States and throughout the world are expected to be in attendance.

A number of other events have been scheduled, including a Monday luncheon for all ladies attending the Pittsburgh meeting. Mrs. Susann Ralston, wife of the Sovereign Grand Commander, will preside over the luncheon and program. At the same time, another luncheon will be served for all Supreme Council members, distinguished guests, and members of the millennium class.

That evening, the Pittsburgh Pops Orchestra will present a concert in Heinz Hall. During the week, special sightseeing tours will be available for those attending the meetings.

In addition to the major events sponsored by the Supreme Council, a Masonic Marketplace will allow vendors to display Masonic-related items.

A series of seminars on Tuesday will cover topics of interest for those attending the session.

Throughout the week, there will be many smaller social functions occurring under the auspices of the 15 participating states and the 108 Valleys comprising the Northern Jurisdiction.

The 2000 meeting will end with the announcement of the names of those elected to receive the Thirty-third Degree at Indianapolis, Indiana, in September 2001.

Easter Sunrise Service 2000 Revisited

by Sir Knight Robert V. Hines, P.G.C. (DC)

General Chairman, Committee on the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service

Photos by Sir Knight Oscar D. Olsson, P.G.C. (NJ)

The 70th Grand Encampment Easter Sunrise Service was preceded by several days of rain, but early Sunday, through the use of numerous prayers from all in attendance and the help of our Great Captain of Salvation, we had sunshine and brisk winds to clear out the day, and it was a beautiful Easter Sunday.

The activities began with attendance of the Grand Encampment officers and other Sir Knights at the Maundy Thursday dinner and ceremony conducted by the District of Columbia Scottish Rite. At the Friday morning breakfast hosted by the Saint Simeon Stylites Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine at the University Club, in attendance was John DeMond, Most Illustrious Grand Sovereign, United Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine.

On Saturday morning the Grand Commandery of Indiana, honoring the veterans of all wars, again conducted an inspiring wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. It has become a great part of the Easter weekend, and it was well attended as in previous years. The Grand Commandery of Indiana hopes to continue it in the coming years. Indiana invited not only the Most Eminent Grand Master (James Morris Ward) to participate in this service but invited all Sir Knights in attendance to accompany them to Arlington. This year Indiana had two buses, and the Grand Encampment provided an additional bus, and all three were loaded.

The reception and luncheon (right above) honoring our Most Eminent Grand Master James Morris Ward and his Lady Jan was attended by 305 Sir Knights and their ladies, and this event appears to be gaining in popularity since it does provide a social event for all present.



Some 450 Knights Templar formed the parade (below) at the base of Shooter's Hill in Alexandria, Virginia, and marched up the hill to the steps of the magnificent George Washington Masonic National Memorial, led by Most Eminent Grand Master James Morris Ward. The Grand Master and his staff received honors from the marching Sir Knights. In the stands were present about 150 additional Sir Knights and about 1,200 additional family members and friends.

The Grand Commandery of Maryland and additional Sir Knights from Massachusetts again preceded the parade with the Drum Corps from Maryland as they formed a Passion Cross in the stands (below).





The combined band composed of Shriners from both Almas and Kena again provided the music for the services, and the song leader and soloist was Richard Webb, who after a couple of years absence was back and who did an outstanding job in both capacities, especially in his rendition of the "Lord's Prayer." (It is great to see you back with your great voice, Dick!)

The Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, Most Eminent Past Grand Master Donald Hinslea Smith, delivered the sermon. His inspiring message was titled, "Easter 2000 - A Week of Cheers, Fears, and Tears."

The entire line of Grand Encampment officers (above right and left) was present and took part in the ceremony as did three of our Past Grand Masters: Ned E. Dull; Marvin E. Fowler, who was perhaps the most enthusiastic marcher at 96 years young at the service; and Donald H. Smith. There were also present 24 Grand Commanders who took part in the procession.

It definitely was a memorable morning. The Grand Commanders are listed at the conclusion of this article.

Ohio once again was recognized as having far and away the largest contingent present with 110 Sir Knights in formation. We all greatly appreciate their excellent showing over the last several years and congratulate them for it; however, apparently several Grand Commanderies are taking up the challenge of trying to unseat them.

This event would be very seriously affected if not for the combined bands of Almas Temple and Kena Temple directed by Noble John Steele. A special thanks goes to those who make this event work, such as Sir Knight Walter Benesch and those stalwarts, the DeMolay from Northern Virginia, who do the set-up on Saturday and the take-down after the service on Sunday as well as the seating and ushering and passing out the programs. They have been doing great work year after year. In addition are those Sir Knights from the District of Columbia, such as Sir Knights Russell Tazelaar and Urban Peters who handle the placing of signs for the Grand Commanderies; and Rod Phillips, Milton Daniels, Fred Gore, John Baker and Walter Kitts, who provide the sound systems. Thanks, also, to the parking staff led by then Grand

Commander of Virginia, John Wigglesworth, Jr. Those who handle the seating of the Sir Knights are led by Douglas Jordan and his staff, and these



and others deserve the credit for the smooth functioning of this event year after year. Also there are those many, many others who serve without even being noticed while everyone is having a grand experience at this event.

The Sunday breakfast, following the Easter Sunrise Service, was very well attended with 355 Sir Knights and ladies. This occasion, too, provides an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and make new friends prior to departure from Washington.

In 2001 Easter will occur on April 15, and the cherry blossoms should be present. Anyone who missed this wonderful weekend this year will want to make plans for next year.


DELEGATIONS WITH REPRESENTATION IN THE PARADE
(by jurisdictional seniority)

Massachusetts/Rhode Island	Texas	Ohio
New York	Illinois	Kentucky
Virginia	Georgia	Tennessee
Vermont	Missouri	New Jersey
New Hampshire	Maryland	Florida
Maine	West Virginia	District of Columbia
Pennsylvania	North Carolina	Delaware
Indiana	Connecticut	

RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDERS ATTENDING
(by jurisdictional seniority)

John C. Sutterley (MA/RI)	William E. Clepper (PA)	John Wentworth (MN)
David D. Goodwin (NY)	Henry E. LaHurreau (IN)	Lawrence E. Bodine (KS)
John R. Wigglesworth, Jr. (VA)	Gordon B. Nanney (MS)	Richard P. Naegele (MD)
Ronald H. Keyser (NH)	Richard W. Young (IL)	Vaughn F. Shafer (WV)
Wayne N. Saunders (CT)	George R. Green (TN)	Charles R. Thomas (NC)
Charles R. Albertson (OH)	Frederick Berenbroick (NJ)	Edwin Moore III (FL)
Gary E. Thornberry (KY)	Clarence Horne (GA)	Gerald W. Peeters (DC)
Peter P. Bowler (ME)	Lionel J. Goede (MO)	Robert V. McDowell (DE)

TEMPLARY 2000 CRUSADE IN MICHIGAN



Forty-three new Sir Knights were created in the beautiful Detroit Commandery No. 1 asylum of the Detroit Masonic Temple on April 15, 2000. The class was the culmination of the York Rite Millennium Festival organized by Detroit Commandery No. 1 and participated in by the other Commanderies of southeastern Michigan. The Capitular and Cryptic degrees were presented by the R.A.M. Chapters and R. & S.M. Councils of southeastern Michigan with the assistance of Grand Chapter and Grand Council officers and hosted by Monroe Chapter No. 1 and Council No. 1, Detroit. The exemplar for the Order of the Temple was Alan Peterman, Potentate of Moslem Temple Shrine, Detroit. Michigan held two other All-Degree, All-Order York Rite festivals: Bay City/Saginaw-22 new Sir Knights - and Kalamazoo/Battle Creek-8 plus 3 more in May. (Corbin P. Elliott)

Dreams Do Come True!

by Sir Knight Bill R. Clutter, H.P.D.C., KCT, P.G.C. (IN)
Chairman, Templary 2000 Crusade

Well, we did it! As this article was being developed, the Templary 2000 Crusade was to be officially concluded in a week. We knew that we had exceeded our Knightings' target significantly: 2,538 compared to our objective of 2,000. We did not achieve our target in restorations: 341 versus our objective of 2,000. Congratulations to all who contributed to the success of the program!

The "Magnificent Seven" in Knightings:

Oklahoma	237	Indiana	110
Texas	211	Missouri	108
Ohio	208	Florida	103
Georgia	127		

Oklahoma appears to have won the Knightings' award, but a last minute charge could position Texas and Ohio for the leadership position in this category.

The "Fabulous Five" in Restorations:

1. Texas	2. South Carolina
3. Missouri	4. Ohio
5. North Carolina	

We know that restorations require hard work. Texas appears to have won in this category, but a late charge by South Carolina, Missouri, or Ohio might change the final rankings.

Short-Changed by a Few: Believe it or not, there were a total of five (5) Grand Commandery jurisdictions that had Knighting totals in the lower single digits for the entire Crusade. Their leadership just didn't seem to get with the program. Apparently, they thought they had higher priorities or lacked leadership teams or aren't committed to the growth of Christian Masonry in general. How sad!

We Salute the Grand Master: The majority has answered the "Templary 2000 Crusade" call of Grand Master Ward. He asked us to join him in this Crusade, to do the best that we could do to meet the goals established, and work within the family of Freemasonry. To some the goals were dreams, but we accomplished another goal along the way as well. The family of Freemasonry became a closer family and larger.

Thanks to Many: It was an honor to have been selected by the Grand Master to build and launch this proud program for Templary. I have met many outstanding Sir Knights and Templar leaders in my Crusade travels. Their enduring support of this program inspired the results that were achieved, and I wish to say "thank you" to each and every one. We knew that you could do it!

Charging Ahead! Now that the majority of the jurisdictions within the Grand Encampment have established membership development as a top priority with programs in place, let's keep the momentum going. Don't stop to dwell on it. We still have six months remaining in the year 2000. Create your own Crusade 2000 or continue with the current one. Use the momentum to your advantage. You can do it!

Think of Templary as the cake.

Think of the Templary 2000 Crusade as the icing. Now, who wants desert?

Sir Knight Clutter, Honorary Past Department Commander, is a plural member of Noblesville No. 61 and Greenfield No. 39 Commanderies in Indiana, a Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, and a recipient of the KCT. He is a member of the Grand Encampment Public Relations Committee. Telephone: (317) 581-0070, and e-mail: WRCLUTTER@Prodigy.net

Part II: Life at Full Throttle— Brother Roscoe Turner

by Sir Knight Joseph E. Bennett
KYCH, 33° FPS



Hughes' publicity department was working overtime and riding roughshod over the truth. The publicity release informed America that Hughes had imported a genuine Gotha bomber from Germany at a cost of \$50,000. Turner departed from the east coast in February 1928 and made a leisurely flight to Los Angeles with Carline as his navigator. He also carried a mechanic to handle any mechanical glitches. They arrived at Los Angeles on March 26 to a gala reception. Nobody suspected the Gotha was counterfeit. They had been greeted at every stop along the way by crowds anxious to see the fabled German bomber. During the last leg of the flight, Roscoe was escorted by three German D VII Fokker fighters, provided by Hughes' publicity machine. Carline was hailed as Roscoe's newly-appointed "Navigatrix."

The airplanes required the services of 70 pilots during the filming of *Hell's Angels* at a salary of \$200 per week. There were Fokkers, British SE5s, Sopwith Camels, and Avro 504s but only one Gotha. Turner flew it for all the filming of aerial combat scenes. He was able to perform aerobatics in the imitation Gotha with the exception of tailspins, and the Sikorsky could outrun any of the WWI fighters with ease. It was a dangerous game. Before the movie was completed, four pilots would lose their lives.

A dispute with Howard Hughes cost Turner ownership of the Sikorsky. Hughes insisted the Gotha must go into a tailspin, trailing smoke, in one of the air-fight sequences. Roscoe tried a power-off spin and declared that was all the aircraft could withstand. Hughes insisted on a full-power spin. When Roscoe refused to budge, he was informed that ownership of the plane

would pass to Hughes in the event he failed to fulfill his contract. Roscoe had neglected to have his contract reviewed by a lawyer. Hughes was on firm legal ground. Roscoe was out of the film, and Hughes hired pilot Al Wilson to power-spin the Gotha. Phil Jones, a mechanic, would ride along and release the smoke on cue, which would make it appear the Gotha went down in flames.

The power-spin sequence was filmed on March 22, 1929. Wilson climbed the Gotha to 7,000 and began a mild power spin. Suddenly, he decided to bail out. The Gotha crashed and burned, while Wilson parachuted safely to earth. The unfortunate Phil Jones never made an attempt to escape the plane, although he had a parachute. Speculation was that he did not hear Wilson's command to jump or that such an order had never been given. The Sikorsky was destroyed, of course, and Wilson was expelled from the Professional Pilots' Association and fined \$500. The Federal aviation authority suspended his license permanently. Although the Los Angeles County District Attorney investigated a possible homicide charge, no legal action was forthcoming.

Roscoe adored Hollywood and decided to live there. He and Carline made the Hotel Bonnie Brier on Hollywood Boulevard their residence. Roscoe decided the time was right to upgrade his personal image. He ordered a custom-made, sky-blue, military tunic; a Sam Browne belt; and tan, whipcord, cavalry breeches. His shining, cavalry boots and a blue officer's cap finished the ensemble. The crowning touch was an elaborate set of golden wings, encrusted with diamonds and emblazoned with the initials "R. T."

The monogrammed wings gleamed over the left breast pocket of his tunic. Roscoe was joshed mercilessly for his spiked mustache and garish uniform. He took it all in good humor; announcing to one and all it was only a selling tool - to call attention to Roscoe Turner.

Virtually penniless as always, Roscoe and Canine tooled around the movie capital in their expensive new 1929 Packard touring car and became part of the Hollywood glamour set. Among Roscoe's friends were movie stars Bebe Daniels, Ben Lyons, Joe E. Brown, Fred MacMurray, Clark Gable, and Wallace Beery; already an enthusiastic amateur pilot. Turner became flight instructor to the stars. Likable and gregarious, he was continuously promoting aviation. That meant always trying to raise money for a new venture.

He convinced several California businessmen to form an airline between Las Vegas and Los Angeles. The fledgling firm began operations on April 15, 1929, with Roscoe as chief pilot. Hoping to attract passengers to Las Vegas to enjoy legal gambling and take advantage of the "quickie" divorces, the name of the air venture soon became known as "The Alimony Special." Their air fleet consisted of four Lockheed Vega models, capable of carrying five passengers, with the pilot flying from an open cockpit. It proved to be a financial disaster, and operations ceased in February 1930. It had been a high-profile experience for Turner, though. Nevada Governor Fred A. Balza, an aviation enthusiast, appointed Roscoe as his aide with the rank of lieutenant colonel. Not to be outdone, California Governor James Rolph, Jr., appointed the aviator to his staff as an aide with the honorary rank of colonel. From that time forward, it was "Colonel Roscoe Turner."

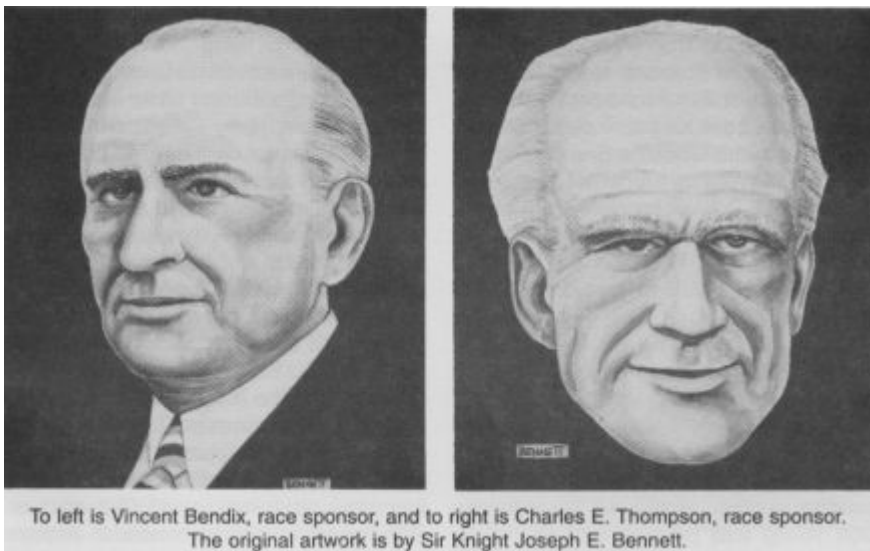
During 1929, Turner signed up an advertising sponsor whose name has been traditionally linked with the great flier. It was the Gilmore Oil Company of California. During a period when many oil companies were promoting their products through aviation, Roscoe was able to land

the Gilmore account. Earl R. Gilmore used the familiar red lion trademark to identify his petroleum products, and Roscoe faithfully displayed the Gilmore trademark on all his aircraft. It was a prominent and well-recognized logo on his short-lived Nevada Airline fleet of Lockheed Vegas.

Roscoe picked up his most-famed associate on February 7, 1930. In a visit to Louis Goebel's Lion Farm in Agura, California, Turner persuaded the owner to give him a three-week-old lion cub. The normal price for such an animal was \$200, but Roscoe soon convinced Goebel that the publicity for the Lion Farm would far exceed the price of the cub. He named the 17-pound cat "Gilmore" to reflect the name of his major sponsor. The cub would become as famous as Turner. Roscoe and Gilmore were inseparable, and the animal became a constant flying companion. He lived in the residence with Roscoe and Carline and walked on a leash in public. Nobody could deny that Gilmore was great publicity for the petroleum firm's "Lion Head" products. He traveled with Roscoe until he grew to 150 pounds, too large to associate with non-adventurous folks.

The first National Air Race was staged in 1929 from Los Angeles to Cleveland, Ohio. It later became a transcontinental flight between Los Angeles and New York. In 1929 Roscoe entered one of his Lockheed Vegas and placed third in the event. He was forced to skirt a large storm over Missouri, a delay which aborted any chance to win. Two other Lockheed Vegas finished first and second ahead of Roscoe. He entered the 50-mile, free-for-all, closed-circuit, Thompson pylon race at Cleveland in 1929. It was won by Doug Davis flying a Travel Air "Mystery Ship." Roscoe placed third in his first closed-circuit pylon event.

The contests in 1929 set the stage for the great National Air Races of the 1930s; with the two major events sponsored by Vincent Bendix and Charles E. Thompson of Cleveland. The Bendix Race was a cross-country flight, and the Thompson Race was a closed-circuit contest, traditionally



held in Cleveland, the home of Thompson products.

Roscoe and Gilmore flew his "Lockheed Air Express," a Vega, from New York to Los Angeles on May 27, 1930, to establish a new world record for a transcontinental flight. With one refueling stop in Kansas, they crossed the country in 18 hours, 42 minutes, and 54 seconds. By that time Gilmore weighed 125 pounds and consumed 12 to 15 pounds of horse meat per day. His weight was fast becoming a race factor. Before Gilmore was retired from air travel, he compiled a total of 25,000 miles in the clouds. When Gilmore died in 1952, Roscoe had him stuffed by a taxidermist and kept his beloved lion on display at his home.

One of the important personnel associations in Turner's career occurred in 1930 when he hired Donald A. Young to be his full-time mechanic. Inasmuch as Roscoe decided to get into aircraft racing full-time, he wanted the best mechanical talent available. Don Young was that man. His expertise was legendary during his years with Roscoe, and it was a major factor in the reputation the famous aviator earned during his racing career.

The 1931 National Air Races launched a high-speed era for private planes. Roscoe had not yet acquired a racer for the event, so he was a spectator. James H. "Jimmy" Doolittle was aviation's darling that year. He won the Bendix race with designer Matty Laird's "Super Solution" in 1931, the last hurrah for the biplanes. Lowell



Bayles, another noted racing pilot, picked up the Thompson Trophy at Cleveland, flying the Granville Brothers' radical Bee Gee Model Z with a 236.2 mile-per-hour mark. Roscoe could see his future competition at Cleveland in the Granville Bee Gee and in the Wedell-Williams Model 44. He knew the plane he wanted for his own. It was a version of Jimmy Wedell's Model 44. It had not yet been built.

Hoping to fly his new racer in the 1932 Thompson classic, Roscoe began making plans. He persuaded Earl A. Gilmore to advance \$5,000 toward construction of the new racing craft, and he immediately departed for the Wedell-Williams Air Service in Louisiana to finalize the deal. Jimmy Wedell was not prepared to begin building another Model 44 immediately. Don Young was pressed into service to begin construction of Roscoe's plane, making use of Wedell's drawings and specifications. Young worked beside a Model 44 Wedell was building, so it was possible for him to verify every specification during the project. Young finished the plane virtually by himself, and it was an exact replica of Wedell's original Model 44.

Jimmy Wedell was one of the most colorful and legendary of the new breed of airplane designers building racing craft on a shoestring in the 1930s. Wedell had an adventurous early life before he began to design racing planes. The son of a New Orleans bartender, Jimmy lost an eye as a teenager in a motorcycle accident. Later, he learned to fly and made some money smuggling bootleg liquor from Mexico into the United States. A gifted and innovative mechanic, he had a talent for design, even though he had no formal education. A popular legend persists that Wedell drew his designs on the floor of the hanger in chalk. His first Model 44 prototype was an adaptation of a converted airmail plane. By 1931 the design was improved and fitted with a Pratt & Whitney 550 H.P. Wasp engine, in time for the Thompson race at Cleveland. Wedell finished second in that event behind Lowell Bayles in the Bee Gee Z.

Jimmy Wedell and his brother Walter had opened a flying business in New Orleans, financed with his bootleg earnings. One of Jimmy's student pilots was a colorful lumberman, Harry Palmerson Williams. In 1928 Williams was convinced of Jimmy's design ability and invested \$2,000,000 for a partnership in an expanded aircraft service and flying enterprise. They launched a firm in New Orleans and Patterson, Louisiana, called the Wedell-Williams Air Service. It became one of the most thriving aviation concerns in the south. Wedell's Model 44 was a sleek, low-wing racer with a fixed landing gear. The beautiful little craft would dominate the Thompson Trophy Race for three consecutive years. Jimmy Wedell labeled it "hot as a .44," a reference to the legendary single-action, .44 Colt revolver. With the proper engine installed in Jimmy's great design, it proved to be a winner in the early 1930s. Jimmy Wedell turned out to be one of Roscoe's most formidable racing opponents in the Nationals.

When Roscoe's Model 44 was finished and ready for testing, Wedell took the controls for several shakedown flights. Roscoe was on the ground observing the tests. After a few short test hops, Harry Williams suggested that Wedell add sufficient ballast to the ship to approximate Turner's weight. Jimmy weighed 135 pounds, but Roscoe tipped the scales at 220. With the added weight aboard, Wedell made a full-speed pass across the field at 20 feet, when suddenly the left wing collapsed. Reacting instinctively, Wedell pulled up sharply to gain a little altitude before bailing out. He successfully parachuted to the ground, but the plane was destroyed. Wedell had not relinquished ownership to Turner, so he absorbed the expense of the crash except the engine. It was a Pratt & Whitney Wasp, borrowed from the manufacturer.

Wedell agreed to build a new Model 44 and have it ready for the 1932 Thompson Race at Cleveland. Roscoe was the epitome of bravery, but he was not foolhardy. He arranged for design engineer, Howard W. Barlow, of the University of Minnesota to

come to New Orleans and review the design of the Model 44. Barlow provided new design specifications for wing loading and other minor modifications. Barlow decided the original wing bracing made it too rigid. With everyone, including Don Young, working at full speed at the Wedell-Williams' plant, Roscoe's plane was tested a mere ten days before the National Air Races began on August 27, 1932.

Money problems appeared again at the last minute. Because of serious economic conditions generated by the Great Depression, the Gilmore Oil Company withdrew their financial support. Roscoe had to raise some money fast. Back in Hollywood, he was able to convince movie actress Contance Bennett to invest in his new Wedell-Williams racing plane. It was another classic example of Turner salesmanship. With registration number NR61Y finally assigned to his new Model 44, Roscoe made preparations for the Bendix cross-country race. His replacement Model 44 was equipped with the same P&W Wasp engine, but Don Young had souped it up to 500 H.P.

There were three Model 44 Wedell-Williams racers in the Nationals in 1932. Roscoe finished second, arriving in New York behind Jimmy Haizlip in another Model 44. Both returned to Cleveland for the Thompson event. That race was won by Jimmy Doolittle in a Bee Gee Z. He blew the field away with a record-smashing 252.686 M.P.H. Jimmy Wedell and Roscoe finished a distant second and third respectively, with Jimmy Haizlip finishing fourth in his Model 44. Undismayed at not winning either race, Roscoe entered every racing event he could find, all of them generating publicity and adding to his reputation as an aviator. A Shell and a Goodyear Speed Dash were important features during the National Air Race events, in addition to the Bendix and Thompson.

Roscoe and engineer Howard Barlow teamed up to install a larger engine in his plane for the 1933 National Air Races. It

was an 800 H.P. P & W Wasp, Senior. After extensive testing early in the year, Roscoe was satisfied it was ready for the Nationals. However, he was once again desperately short of funds. This time, he persuaded the 20th Century-Fox movie studio to finance his entry. Turner agreed to publicize the new 20th Century-Fox film, *The Bowety*.

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The name was hastily painted on his cream and red Model 44, replacing the familiar Gilmore advertising. The Bendix transcontinental race in 1933 would start in New York and end in Los Angeles.

Ferrying his racer to New York for the start, Turner ran into severe fog near the city and was forced to land on a short sand bar along the Hudson River, nearly out of gasoline. Fortunately, the Model 44 was undamaged due to Roscoe's skillful piloting.

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