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Above: Billy J. Boyer
South Central Department



Above: Gerald A. Ford
Northwestern Department



Left: Paul A. Monroe, Jr.
Southwestern Department

July 2001 - Grand Master's Message

The 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation was a tremendous success thanks to all of you who contributed or had fund-raising activities. A special commendation is due to Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, R.E. Past Department Commander, for his leadership as Chairman. The efforts of everyone working together are necessary so we can continue to provide surgery for all those who meet our guidelines. It takes four million dollars each year for this part of our program. The budget for **pediatric eye research** is six hundred thousand dollars, and additional funds are needed to help with the National Eye Care Project of Eye Care America, which we support with the American Academy of Ophthalmology.



Melita Commandery No. 37 of Tuscola, Illinois, held its annual meeting on the first Monday of June. We took our wives out to dinner at the Red Barn Buffet, and the men adjourned to the Temple for our meeting while the ladies shopped at the mall. Tuscola Chapter No. 66 met first, followed by Commandery reports, election, and installation. The York Rite in Tuscola is holding steady with the Chapter prospering financially. We are planning for an increase in membership this year.

July will include attendance at the Imperial Shrine Session in Las Vegas and the Illinois York Rite Grand Sessions in Peoria. I hope to see you soon!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Jackson Jones". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Dr. William Jackson Jones
Grand Master, KCT, GCT

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

JULY: Full coverage of the results of the 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign is included in this issue, starting on page 5. Also, more new members of the Grand Master's and Grand Commander's clubs are listed, and many more of the 33° Club contributors are included. The remaining biographies of your Department Commanders (2000-2003) start on page 21, and we have an interesting article on the Grand Encampment Easter Sunrise Service, accompanied by a few pictures of that event. More pictures will appear in August. More Holy Land ministers report on their experiences in this issue. You can join one of two Grand Encampment tours; information is on page 18 and page 29.

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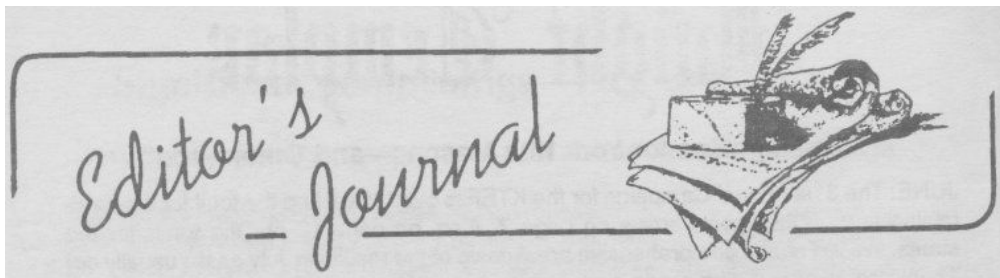
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Attention: all Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be in office as Grand Commanders on November 1, 2001; or Grand Recorders: In the upcoming November issue, *Knight Templar* magazine will again present pictures of those Sir Knights who are Grand Commanders on November 1. Please provide us with a photograph of yourself in uniform by September 14, 2001. 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 14, 2001. After that date, it may not be possible to include them in the November magazine.

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 yarn (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 Recorder; Grand Encampment, Knights Templar 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101; Chicago; IL 60630-2460

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

York Rite Freemasonry . The International Information Site
www.YorkRite.com

Eye Foundation Campaign Closes

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation reports a contribution total for the 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign of \$961,239.51, \$223,176.32 less 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 1,279 Commanderies participated in this year's campaign, 99 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 Pennsylvania in second position and Georgia third. A listing of top Grand Commanderies on a per capita basis found South Dakota first followed by Utah and the District of Columbia, 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 Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany.

Plaques and seals are being prepared for the 194 constituent and subordinate Commanderies that reported contributions of \$10.00 or more per member. 185 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	SOUTH DAKOTA John W. Schwietert, Chairman	\$28.25 per member	Total—\$36,239.50
No. 2	UTAH Norman A. Smith, Chairman	\$18.88 per member	Total—\$9,060.82
No. 3	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA John C. Werner II, Chairman	\$15.64 per member	Total—\$5,898.00
TOP SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES ON A PER CAPITA BASIS			
	Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba	\$11.11 per member	Total—\$300.00
	Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany	\$6.82 per member	Total—\$2,900.00
	Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska	\$2.83 per member	Total—\$986.00
TOP GRAND COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS			
No. 1	TEXAS Kenneth B. Fischer, Sr., Chairman		Total—\$86,373.06
No. 2	PENNSYLVANIA George A. Hulsinger, Chairman		Total—\$81,131.95
No. 3	GEORGIA Timothy M. Taylor, Chairman		Total—\$72,666.72
TOP SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS			
	Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany—Total—\$2,900.00		
	Anchorage No. 2, Anchorage, Alaska—Total—\$986.00		
	Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks, Alaska—Total—\$318.00		

TOP TEN COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS

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| 1. TEXAS | 6. OHIO |
| 2. PENNSYLVANIA | 7. CALIFORNIA |
| 3. GEORGIA | 8. SOUTH DAKOTA |
| 4. TENNESSEE | 9. IOWA |
| 5. MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND | 10. ILLINOIS |

TOP TEN COMMANDERIES IN PER CAPITA TOTALS

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| 1. SOUTH DAKOTA | 6. CONNECTICUT |
| 2. UTAH | 7. MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND |
| 3. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA | 8. GEORGIA |
| 4. NEW HAMPSHIRE | 9. OREGON |
| 5. COLORADO | 10. PENNSYLVANIA |

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

ALABAMA: Anniston No. 23, Anniston.

ARIZONA: Calvary No. 8, Winslow; Yuma No. 10, Yuma; Mohave No. 13, Kingman; Apache No. 16, Mesa.

ARKANSAS: Baldwin No. 4, Fayetteville.

CALIFORNIA: St. Omer No. 30, Santa Barbara; Whittier-St. Johns No. 51, Whittier Imperial Valley No. 54, El Centro; Santa Monica Bay No. 61, Santa Monica; Merced No. 69, Merced.

COLORADO: Central City No. 2, Central City; Pueblo No. 3, Pueblo; Pikes Peak No. 6, Colorado Springs; Longs Peak No. 12, Longmont; Glenwood No. 20, Glenwood Springs Temple No. 23, Grand Junction; Jefferson-Highlands No. 30, Denver; Sterling I. 35, Sterling; St. Bernard No. 41, Denver.

CONNECTICUT: Washington No. 1, East Hartford; Clinton No. 3, Norwalk; Cyrene No. 8, Middletown; St. Elmo No. 9, Meriden.

DELAWARE: Trinity No. 3, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Washington No. 1, Washington, D.C.; Columbia No. 2, Washington, D.C.

FLORIDA: Ft. Myers No. 32, Ft. Myers; Winter Haven No. 37, Winter Haven.

GEORGIA: St. Omer No. 2, Macon; St. Aldemar No. 3 Columbus; Couer de Lion No. 4, College Park; DeMolay No. 5, Americus; William Tracy Gould No. 6, Forsyth; Ivanhoe No. 10, Fort Valley; Tancred No. 11, Newnan; Pilgrim No. 15, Gainesville; Malta No. 16, Valdosta; Alexius No. 22, Jackson; St. Bernard No. 25, Covington; Constantine No. 26, Marietta; Charles Martel No. 29, Chickamauga; Bethlehem No. 30 Thomasville; Griffin No. 35, Griffin; Waycross No. 36, Waycross; Blue Ridge Mountain No. 37, McCaysville; DeKalb No. 38, Decatur; Douglasville No. 40, Douglasville; Coastal Plain No. 42, Tifton.

IDAHO: Gate City No. 4, Pocatello.

ILLINOIS: Elwood No. 6, Springfield; Aurora No. 22 Yorkville; Ivanhoe No. 33, Kankakee; Melita No. 37, Tuscola; St. Elmo No. 64, Chicago; áhicago Heights No. 78, Lansing.

IOWA: Palestine No. 2, Iowa City; Siloam No. 3, Dubuque; Damascus No. 5, Keokuk; De Payens No. 6, Oskaloosa; Beauseant No. 12, Decorah; St. Omer No. 15, Burlington; Ivanhoe No. 17 Council Bluffs; St. Johns No. 21, Centerville; Ascalon No. 25, Waterloo; Apollo No. 26, Oedar Rapids; Malta No. 31, Ottumwa; Kenneth No. 32, Independence; Nazareth No. 33, Manchester, Zerubbabel No. 68, Albia; Ascension No. 69, Ames.

KENTUCKY: Webb No. 1 Lexington Paducah No. 11, Paducah Louisville-DeMolay No. 12, Louisville; Glasgow To. 36, Glasgow; Conrad H. Cates No. 37, Elizabethtown; Mayfield No. 49, Mayfield.

LOUISIANA: Plains No. 11, Baton Rouge; C. A. Everitt No. 29, Slidell. **MAINE:** Portland No. 2, Portland.

MARYLAND: Jacques DeMolay No. 4, Frederick; Beauseant No. 8, Cockeysville; St. Elmo No. 12, Hyattsville.

MASSACHUSETTS /RHODE ISLAND: St. Johns No. 1, Cranston, RI; Newburyport No. 3 Newburyport, MA; Holy Sepulchre No. 8, Pawtucket, RI; Milford No. 11, Milbrd, MA; St. Bernard No. 12, Boston, MA Calvary No. 13, East Providence, RI; Haverhill No. 14, Haverhill, MA; South Shore No. 15 East Weymouth, MA; Sutton No. 16 New Bedford, MA; United No. 21, Norwood, MA; Olivet No. 36, Lynn, MA; Bay State No. 38, Brockton, MA.

MICHIGAN: Peninsular No. 8, Kalamazoo; Genesee Valley No. 15, Flint; Redford No. 55, Dearborn.

MINNESOTA: Faribault No. 8, Faribault; Ivanhoe No. 31, St. Peter. **MISSOURI:** Ivanhoe No. 8, St. Louis; St. Charles No. 73, St. Charles. **MONTANA:** Black Eagle No. 8, Great Falls; Crusade No. 17, Hamilton. **NEBRASKA:** St. John No. 16, McCook; Gethsemane No. 21, Columbus. **NEVADA:** Maleta No. 9, Henderson.

NEWHAMPSHIRE: Trinity No 1, Manchester Mt. Horeb No 3, Concord St Paul No. 5, Dover. **NEW MEXICO:** Santa Fe No. 1, Santa Fe.

NEW YORK: Temple No. 2, Albany Cyrene-Monroe No. 12, Rochester; Lake Erie No. 20, Buffalo; Malta No. 21, Binghamton; Coeur de Lion No. 23, New York City; Central City No. 25, Solvay; St. Augustine No. 38, Ithaca; Poughkeepsie No. 43, Poughkeepsie; Norwich No. 46, Norwich; Jamestown No. 61, Jamestown; Patchogue No. 65, Islip; Tonawanda No. 78, Tonawanda.

OHIO: Mt. Vernon No. 1, Columbus; Oriental No. 12, Chagrin Falls Shawnee No. 14, Lima; Highland No. 31, Hillsboro; Cambridge No. 47, Cambridge.

OKLAHOMA: DeMolay No. 7, Chickasha; Ben Hur No. 14, Ponca City.

OREGON: Oregon No. 1, Portland; Temple No. 3, Albany-, Eastern Oregon No. 6, La Grande; Pendleton No. 7, Milton-Freewater, Bruce No. 17, Corvallis; Pilgrim No. 18, Bend.

PENNSYLVANIA: Pittsburgh No. 1 Pittsburgh; Pilgrim No. 11 Harrisburg; Jerusalem No. 15, Phoenixville; BaMwin II No. 22, Williamsport; Mt. Olivet No. 30, Erie; Hutchinson No. 32, Norristown; Mary No. 36, Philadelphia Knapp No. 40, Ridgway Constantine No. 41, Pottsville; St. Alban No. 47, Springfield; Kensington-Kadosh No. 54, Jenkintown; Centennial No. 55, Coatesville; 1rimty No. 58, Bradford; Warren No. 63, Warren; Mt. Calvary No. 67, Greenville; Nativity No. 71, Pottstown; Duquesne No. 72, Pittsburgh; Mt. Vernon No. 73, Hazleton; Gettysburg No. 79, Gettysburg; McKean No. 80 Monongahela; Samuel S. Yohe No. 81, Stroudsburg; Bethany No. 83, Dubois Mt. Hermon No. 85, Sunbury; McKeesport No. 86 McKeesport; Bethel 11o. 98, Hanover; Nazarene No. 99, Montrose; Holyroo No. 100, Kittanning.

SOUTH DAKOTA: Dakota No. 1, Spearfish; Cyrene No. 2, Sioux Falls; Damascus No. 10, Aberdeen.

TENNESSEE: St. Elmo No. 4, Memphis; Paris No. 16, Paris; Kingsport No. 33, Kingsport; Millington No. 39, Millington.

TEXAS: Brownwood No. 22 Brownwood; Denison No. 24, Denison; Tancred No. 82, Dallas; Kilgore No. 104, Kilgore;

UTAH: Utah No. 1, Salt Lake City; El Monte No. 2, Ogden. *VERMONT*: Lafayette No. 3, St. Albans; Vermont No. 4, Windsor.

VIRGINIA: Malta No. 24 Onancock; Fairfax No. 25, Culpeper; 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; De Molai No. 6, Montesano; Malta No. 18, Bremerton.

WEST VIRGINIA: Kanawha No. 4, Charleston; Pilgrim No. 21, Elkins. *WISCONSIN*: Crusade No. 17, Stevens Point.

WYOMING: Clelland No. 12, Douglas; Platte No. 17, Wheatland.

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SOLO DI ARUBA NO. 1: Aruba

Commanderies Contributing \$5.00 to \$9.99 Per Member

(Per capita is within 10 cents of minimum.)

ALABAMA: DeMolay No. 14, Decatur; Etowah No. 15, Gadsden.

ARIZONA: Ivanhoe No. 2, Prescott; Columbine No. 9, Safford; Scottsdale No. 12, Scottsdale; Burning Taper No. 15, Sierra Vista.

ARKANSAS: Osceola No. 32, Osceola; Christian Friends No. 35, Clarksville; Hickmon No. 37, Bald Knob.

CALIFORNIA: Sacramento No. 2, Sacramento Pacific No. 3, Sonora; Nevada No. 6, Nevada City; Los Angeles No. 9 Van Nuys; an Jose No. 10, San Jose; Watsonville No. 22, Watsonville; San Diego No. 25, San Diego Riverside No. 28 Riverside; San Gabriel Valley No. 31, Rosemead; Orange County No. 36, Anaheim; Hanford No. 46, Hanford; Palo Alto No. 47; Palo Alto; Valley of the Flowers No. 77, Lompoc.

COLORADO: Georgetown No. 4, Georgetown; Mt. of the Holy Cross No. 5, Leadville Greeley No. 10 Greeley; DeMolay No. 13, Fort Collins; Coronal-Ascalon No. 31, Denver; Delta No. 34, Delta.

CONNECTICUT: New Haven No. 2, New Haven; Hamilton No. 5, Stratford; Palestine No. 6, Mystic.

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

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Potomac No. 3, Washington, DC.

FLORIDA: Oriental No. 9, Daytona Beach St. Augustine No. 10, St. Augustine; Lakeland No. 21, Lakeland; Emmanuel No. 36, Deland.

GEORGIA: Georgia No. 1, Augusta; Atlanta No. 9, Atlanta; Plantagenet No. 12, Milledgeville; Godfrey de Bouillon No. 14, Athens; St. Johns No. 19, Dalton; St. Elmo No. 21, Brunswick; Arnold de Troye No. 31, Buford; Amicalola No. 41, Jasper.

IDAHO: Idaho No. 1, Boise; Idaho Falls No. 6, Idaho Falls.

ILLINOIS: Rock Island No. 18, Rock Island; St. Omer No. 30, Litchfield; St. Bernard No. 35 Chicago; Mt. Olivet No. 38 Paxton; Sterling No. 57, Sterling Evanston No. 5, Evanston; Quincy No. 77, Quincy

INDIANA: Kokomo No. 36, Kokomo

IOWA: DeMolay No. 1, Muscatine; Temple No. 4, Des Moines; St. Simon of Cyrene No. 9, Davenport; Holy Cross No. 10 Clinton; Oriental No. 22 Newton; St. Aldemar No. 30, Marshalltown; Antioch No. 43, Mason City; Bethlehem No. 45, Washington; St. Elmo No. 48, Iowa Falls

KANSAS: Newton No. 9, Newton; El Dorado No. 19, El Dorado

KENTUCKY: Covington No. 7, Covington; Newport No. 13 Newport Fulton No. 34, Fulton Princeton No. 35, Princeton; Williamsburg No. 50, Williamsburg; Jefferson No. 52, Louisville

LOUISIANA: Indivisible Friends No. 1 New Orleans; Rhodes No. 17, Leesville; Crusader No. 21, Minden; Istrouma No. 28, Baton Rouge

MAINE: St. Amand No. 20, West Kennebunk

MARYLAND: Maryland No. 1, Baltimore; Monumental No. 3, Baltimore; Crusade No. 5 Baltimore Montgomery No. 13, Rockville; York No. 16, Camp Springs; Carroll No. 17, Westminster

MASSACHUSETTS /RHODE ISLAND: Boston No. 2, Boston, MA Gethsemane DeMolay No. 7, Newtonville, MA; Berkshire No. 22, Pittsfield, MA; Athol-Orange No. 37, Athol, MA

MICHIGAN: Detroit No. 1, Detroit Battle Creek No. 33, Battle Creek; Mount Clemens No. 51, Mount Clemens; had Axe No. 52, Bad Axe

MINNESOTA: Bayard No. 11, Stillwater

MISSISSIPPI: McComb No. 34, McComb.

MISSOURI: Liberty No. 6, Liberty; Ascalon No. 16, St. Louis

NEBRASKA: Joppa No. 17, York

NEVADA: Malta No. 3, Las Vegas; Elko No. 5, Elko; Lahontan No. 7, Fallon; Edward C. Peterson No. 8, Carson City

NEW HAMPSHIRE: Palestine No. 11, Rochester

NEW JERSEY: Delta Damascus No. 5, Union; Corson No. 15, Red Bank; Trinity No. 17, Plainfield

NEW MEXICO: Rio Hondo No. 6, Roswell; Las Cruces No. 11, Las Cruces; Baldwin No. 12, Gallup; Shiprock No. 15, Farmington

NEW YORK: St. Johns No. 24, Salamanca; Hugh de Pa ens No. 30, Hamburg; Washington No. 33 Saratoga Springs; Cortland No. 50, Cortland; Crusader No. No. 53, White Plains

NORTH CAROLINA: Durham No. 3, Durham; Raleigh No. 4, Raleigh; Oxford No. 39, Oxford

NORTH DAKOTA: Tancred No. 1, Mandan

OHIO: Cincinnati No. 3, Cincinnati; St. Johns No. 20, Youngstown; Wooster No. 48, Wooster

OKLAHOMA: Guthrie No. 1 Guthrie; McAlester No. 6, McAlester; Enid No. 13, Enid; St. Aumer No. 29, Woodward.

OREGON: Ivanhoe No. 2, Eugene; Delta No. 19, Tigard.

PENNSYLVANIA: Jacques DeMolay No. 3, Washington; St. John's No. 4, Philadelphia; St. Johns No. 8, Carlisle; DeMolay No. 9, West Reading-,Northern No. 16 Towanda Melita-Coeur de Lion No. 17, Scranton; York-Gethsemane No. 21, York; Packer No. 23, Jim Thorpe; Allegheny No. 35, Pittsburgh; Prince of Peace No. 39 Ashland; Dieu le Veut No. 45, Wilkes Barre; Oriental No. 61, Johnstown; Lawrence No. 62, New Castle; Chartiers No. 78, Carnegie; Lorraine No. 87, Butler, Mizpah No. 96, Doylestown.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Columbia No. 2, Columbia; Spartanburg No. 3, Spartanburg; Aiken No. 14, Aiken; Easley No. 21, Easley.

TENNESSEE: Nashville No. 1, Nashville; Baldwin No. 7, Lebanon; DePayens No. 11, Franklin Lookout No. 14, Chattanooga; Chevalier No. 21, Oak Ridge; Morristown 14o. 22, Morristown.

TEXAS: Colorado No. 4, Austin; San Antonio No. 7, San Antonio; Indivisible Friends No. 13, Sherman; Brenham No. 15, Brenham; Corpus Christi No. 57, Corpus Christi; Midland No. 84, Midland; Taylor No. 85, Gun Barrel City; Litt 8. Perry No. 111, Lake Jackson.

UTAH: Malta No. 3, Midvale; Ivanhoe No. 5, Provo; Charles Fred Jennings No. 6, Price.
VERMONT Burlington No. 2, Burlington.

VIRGINIA: Fredericksburg No. 1, Fredericksburg Richmond No. 2, Richmond; Charlottesville No. 3, Charlottesville; DeMolay No. 4, Lynchburg; Portsmouth No. 5, Portsmouth; Appomattox No. 6, Petersburg; Lynn No. 9, Marion; Old Dominion No. 11, Alexandria; Bayard No. 15, Roanoke; Piedmont No. 26, Manassas; Chesapeake No. 28, Cape Charles.

WASHINGTON: Yakima No. 13, Yakima.

WEST VIRGINIA: Mountain State No. 14, Sistersville; Weirton No. 30, Weirton.

WISCONSIN: Wisconsin No. 1, Milwaukee; Robert Macoy No. 3, Madison; Ivanhoe No. 24, Milwaukee; Clintonville No. 44, Clintonville.

Subordinate Commanderies Reporting \$5.00 to \$9.99 Per Member

PHILIPPINES: Guam No. 4, Yigo, Guam
GERMANY Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany

Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Thirty-third Voluntary Campaign	
Campaign report by Grand Commanderies for KTEF Officers and Trustees for the week ending May 15, 2001. The total amount contributed to the Campaign is \$961,239.51.	
Alabama	\$12,991.10
Arizona	7,907.12
Arkansas	6,101.00
California	37,870.69
Colorado	20,349.06
Connecticut	13,944.09
Delaware	3,098.15
District of Columbia	5,898.00
Florida	23,578.85
Georgia	72,666.72
Idaho	3,531.80
Illinois	29,762.95
Indiana	11,105.50
Iowa	33,116.08
Kansas	7,053.20
Kentucky	26,679.08
Louisiana	13,186.11
Maine	24,997.00
Maryland	17,862.65
Mass./R.I.	45,989.85
Michigan	17,410.00
Minnesota	9,716.17
Mississippi	5,938.00
Missouri	14,801.09
Montana	5,497.00
Nebraska	8,719.37
Nevada	5,218.75
New Hampshire	9,027.50
New Jersey	5,812.25
New Mexico	8,042.91

New York	19,534.00
North Carolina	14,104.66
North Dakota	983.25
Ohio	38,410.55
Oklahoma	9,269.30
Oregon	13,505.05
Pennsylvania	81,131.95
South Carolina	18,180.20
South Dakota	36,239.50
Tennessee	47,406.93
Texas	86,373.06
Utah	9,060.82
Vermont	4,970.07
Virginia	20,830.88
Washington	6,604.00

West Virginia.....	24,871.00
Wisconsin.....	10,211.65
Wyoming.....	4,702.50
Philippines.....	440.00
Italy.....	1,000.00
Panama Canal No. 1.....	30.00
Honolulu No. 1, Hawaii.....	230.00
Alaska No. 1, Fairbanks.....	318.00
Anchorage No. 2, AK.....	986.00
Ivanhoe No. 2, Mexico.....	200.00
Tokyo No. 1, Japan.....	313.00
Heidelberg No. 2, Germany.....	2,900.00
Solo Di Aruba No. 1.....	300.00
Miscellaneous.....	261.10



**Message from the General Chairman
of the 33rd Annual Voluntary Campaign
Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, P.D.C. and P.G.C. (CA)**



Dear Sir Knights and Ladies:

Well, the final numbers are in, and the 33rd Annual Campaign is now history. I want to thank all of you who made a contribution over the past months. It was a very good year. We did not quite make a million dollars this time; total contributions were \$961,239.51. Still, that is quite respectable. Special thanks go to some of the Grand Commanderies that "lead the pack." Texas was number one in total contributions with over \$86 thousand; Pennsylvania came in a close second at over \$81 thousand, and Georgia was number 3 at \$72,666. In terms of per capita, South Dakota rang the bell with a \$28.25 per member record. Utah was number 2 at \$18.88 and the District of Columbia was number 3 with \$15.64. These numbers really show what can be done. I hope you will check out the total report and see how your own Grand Commandery performed.

I am going to keep this message short again because we still have many 33° Club

members to be recognized. That club was a very successful part of the Campaign this year, and again I thank all of you who participated. Be proud of your part, not only in supporting the Eye Foundation but in contributing to Masonic unity as well.

The big question now is: What do we call the next (34th) campaign? I'm at a loss at this point, so if anyone has any ideas, please let me know.

'Til next time, I hope everyone is having a great summer.

Bruce

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*God hath not promised skies always blue,
Flower-strewn pathways all our lives
through;*

*God hath not promised sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.
But God hath promised strength for the day,
Rest for the labor, light for the way,
Grace for the trials, help from above,
Unfailing sympathy, undying love.*



In Memoriam

Jerry K. Thomas

November 7, 1925 - April 12, 2001

R.E. Department Commander,
North Central-1994-1997
Past Grand Commander -
South Dakota-1976

Born November 7, 1925, in Turton, South Dakota; Sir Knight Thomas was educated in Benton Township and at Conde; majored in engineering at the University of Minnesota; and served the U.S. Navy as an electronics technician in WWII. He graduated from the University of Minnesota as a civil engineer in 1948.

He and wife Beverly resided in Rapid City and were parents of two children; David A. Thomas and Linda J. Scharrel. They were members of the First United Methodist Church, where he served on the Finance Commission and on the board of trustees.

He was a consulting engineer, who was listed in "Who's Who in the Midwest" and in the Engineers Joint Council "Who's Who in Engineering."

Raised a Master Mason in Conde Lodge No. 134, he was a plural member of Rapid City Lodge No. 25, W.M. in 1973 and life member, served Grand Lodge as Grand Sr. Deacon, District Master, member of committees, chairman of Grand Lodge Annual Communications, trustee, and a member of Masonic Veterans Assoc., president, and Grand Representative to Minnesota.

Exalted, Black Hills Chapter No. 25, H.P., 1955; Grand High Priest, 1962 and Grand Sec., 1988-'93. Cryptic Degrees in Black Hills Council No. 3, Ill. Master, 1983, and Grand Master, SD, 1985. Received Ish Sodi award and Cryptic Mason of the Year. Grand Representative to New Hampshire.

Knighthed Schrader Commandery No. 9, Rapid City, Commander-1966; Grand Commander of South Dakota, 1976; member DeMolay Committee and Public Relations Committee of Grand Encampment. He was Grand Representative to Wisconsin.

He held memberships in numerous other Masonic organizations.

He was appointed R.E. North Central Department Commander in August 1994 by M.E. Grand Master Blair C. Mayford.

Steadfast In Your Solemn Professions

edited by Charles S. Canning, P.G.C. (PA); Thomas M. Ridington, P.C., et al.

Brother Edmund G. Ross was a member of Topeka Lodge No. 17. He is better known in history as the U.S. Senator from Kansas, whose political downfall was caused by his remaining steadfast to his convictions. It was Ross whose deciding vote prevented the conviction of President and Sir Knight Andrew Johnson in the impeachment trial of 1867. The action of Brother Ross showed great personal courage. This "Keynote" will review a passage of ritual that is illustrated by examples such as that of Edmund G. Ross.

There are many earlier examples that demonstrate personal integrity. In the Orders of Knighthood, we commemorate the memory of Hiram Abif, one of the three "Grand Masters of the Craft," as an illustrious martyr. Equally illustrative is the story of the Quatuor Coronati, or four crowned martyrs, mention of which is made in the Regius Manuscript. That legend has historical basis and relates to the story of the Emperor Diocletian, who ordered four accomplished stonemasons to carve an idol. They were secretly Christians, whose work reflected their devotion to the Lord. Because they refused to make a statue of the heathen god Aesculapius (A-skull-ap-ee-us), they were put to death by being sealed in leaden coffins and cast into the river.

In the Degree of Knight of St. Paul, or the Mediterranean Pass, the Chaplain addresses the candidate, reminding him, to be, "...kept steadfast in your solemn professions, and blessed in all your praiseworthy occupations and undertakings." This pronouncement is probably lost in the ritual, as the focus is on other elements. It would be instructive to reflect upon these words and their meaning to us as Tomplars. What is our solemn profession, our praiseworthy undertaking?

Throughout our Masonic journey, many lessons and charges that address personal integrity instruct us. At the opening of our Symbolic Lodge, we are charged to 'cultivate the moral virtues, and improve in all that is good and amiable. ...and never let us suffer irregular indulgences to expose our character to derision and contempt.' We are further reminded in the closing charge that these "generous principles are to extend farther. Every human being has a claim upon your kind offices." The practice of the lessons and obligations throughout our Masonic journey define us, to the profane world, as Masons and as Tomplars.

We might examine scripture for some background to the phrase we are now examining. In the Installation Ceremony, we find a passage from Corinthians 15:58, 'Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.' Looking to other scripture, we find in 2 Peter 3:17, "Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness." In Hebrews 10:23, we find, "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering." Our profession is what we profess.

The key words we are examining can be found in the dictionary. 'Solemn' is defined as "grave, sober, serious, earnest, characterized by serious formality, etc." "Blessed" is defined as "consecrated, sacred, holy, sanctified, and worthy of adoration, etc." "Praiseworthy" is considered "laudable, commendable, or to cite with special praise." "Steadfast" is "fixed in direction, firm in purpose, resolution or faith, firmly established, or unwavering."

In our Installation Ceremony, the charge to the Commandery notes, we should '... Permit none to enter your asylum but the worthy children of God.' What makes us worthy? What is our solemn profession as Knights Templar? What are our

praiseworthy undertakings and occupations? Are we steadfast in implementing those programs and undertakings, which are praiseworthy? Certainly our vow was a solemn one. Do we reflect upon our obligations as a reminder that it is we who are Knights Templar and are obligated to the fulfillment of, "...rough habit, course diet and severe duty?" That duty is our Templar profession.

Some comments from Sir Knights in reflecting upon the subject of this "Keynote," noted that it was just as important to be a good garbage man as a good brain surgeon, that the steadfastness to that occupation gave them an opportunity of joyfulness in excelling and in being the best of which they were capable. Likewise, there is a joy of doing good degree work. The hermit is just as important as the Commander. To know that a job was well done, provides a joy of self-respect, which is true in life as well as in Masonry. Every organization should expect something from its members. We must expect excellence from the least member as from the highest officer. Every Templar should "Talk the talk and walk the walk." When we are steadfast to our respective duties, when we do the best we can, our labor is praiseworthy and we can rejoice in the gifts we are given and are able to share with our brethren.

If we look at a corporate model, we learn that every component must be good or steadfast in order for the whole to function effectively. Each has a responsibility to performing well his task, his undertaking or his profession. If the receptionist doesn't get the message correct, or on time or to the specified place, the order may not go out and the business is affected. In Templary, each officer and each member is a part of the whole organization.

In getting back to the original phrase, it calls for diligence, devotion, perseverance and stick-to-it-iveness. You are your work and your work is you. We become the embodiment of the thing we profess. It becomes part of our living tissue, a transformation. Referring again to the Order of Malta, "Awake!" Awake to your responsibilities, to your profession of Templar Masonry.

Several years ago, the Southern Baptists focused on Freemasonry as incompatible with their religious doctrines. A study commission was formed to examine the realities of Freemasonry as compatible or incompatible with the Southern Baptists. Dr. Gary Leazer chaired the study commission, which concluded that there was no conflict between Freemasonry and Christianity. The Southern Baptist leadership could not accept his findings and asked him to change his conclusions. The prospect of keeping his job and his means to care for his family or remaining steadfast to the conclusion of the commission was a serious choice. Dr. Leazer would not compromise his research in order to keep his job and satisfy the hierarchy of the Southern Baptists. He then joined Freemasonry.

The examples of Gary Leazer, Edmund Ross, and the Four Crowned Martyrs demonstrates the personal sacrifice one may be called on to make, if he is to be true to self and "steadfast to his solemn profession."

There are times in our lives when we must accept the 'sincere pain' of decision. Even small everyday decisions may require us to preserve our integrity. Joseph Fort Newton, in *The Builders*, reminds us of the "generous ministry of Masonry." As Templars, that ministry includes hospitality and charity to the destitute, the helpless and the needy. It is the outward "ministry" that defines Masonry and Templary to the mundane world. May we be kept steadfast in all that we profess, that we continue in our undertakings and that they be praiseworthy and that Christian Masonry may prosper.

The above information was submitted by Sir Knight Charles A. Garnes; H.P.D.C., P.G.C. of Pennsylvania, and the Chairman of the Committee on Public Relations. He is a member of Duquesne Commandery No. 72, Penn Hills, Pennsylvania. Write: Charles A. Garnes, 1700 Jamestown Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15235-4944 or e-mail: cagames@aol.com.

The Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Christian Pilgrimage to the Holy Land of Israel Itinerary For December 5-14,2001

*It will be led by our Grand Master, Sir Knight William J. Jones, and his Lady Lois
(More information and a reservation form are printed on page 19)*

December 5, Day 1 - Depart USA on your way to Tel-Aviv, Israel.

December 6, Day 2 - Arrive at Ben-Gurion Airport where your representative greets you and gives you an introduction about our forthcoming tour. Proceed to our hotel in the Galilee for the overnight stay.

December 7, Day 3 - Today we tour the Sea of Galilee; visit Capernaum and Simon Peter's house; the Mount of the Beatitudes and Tabgha, the site of the feeding of the multitudes; take a boat ride across the Sea of Galilee; and enjoy a St. Peter's fish lunch in Tiberias. Then, it's back to our hotel for the overnight stay.

December 8, Day 4 - This morning we drive to visit Cana, the site of Jesus' first miracle; on to Nazareth to visit the magnificent Church of the Annunciation, built on top of the Virgin Mary's house; continue along the coast to Caesarea, where St. Paul was imprisoned and Cornelius baptized; visit the Roman Theatre, Aqueduct, and the Crusader ruins; and ascend to Jerusalem for the overnight stay.

December 9, Day 5 - Walk into the Old City of Jerusalem; experience the Christian, Jewish, Muslim, and Armenian quarters of the Old City; see the Temple ruins and the Temple Mount; on to our procession of the Fourteen Stations of the Cross along the Via Dolorosa to the sacred Church of the Holy Sepulchre; stroll through the many bazaars of the Old City; visit King Solomon's quarry located next to the Damascus gate; on to Mt. Zion to see

David's tomb, the room of the Last Supper, and Dormition Abbey. Overnight stay is in Jerusalem.

December 10, Day 6 - In Jerusalem we visit the Mount of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Garden Tomb, and the Church of Peter in Gallicantu, built over the palace of the high priest Caiaphas. We drive to Bethlehem to visit the ancient Church of Nativity, Manger Square, and view the beautiful Shepherds' Fields. And it's back to Jerusalem for the overnight stay.

December 11, Day 7 - This is a day of leisure. Your guide directs you to places you may visit at your own pace with an overnight stay in Jerusalem.

December 12, Day 8 - Today we drive to the lowest point on earth, the Dead Sea area. Then, we tour Masada, site of the Jewish zealots' last stand against the Romans, and we drive to Ein Gedi to experience the salty water of the Dead Sea and continue our journey to the Qumran Caves, where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. Our overnight stay is in Jerusalem.

December 13, Day 9 - Today we visit the Israel Museum; the Shrine of the Book, where the Dead Sea Scrolls are housed; and Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial. Later we drive to Jaffa to visit St. Peter's Church and the house of Simon the Tanner. We enjoy our farewell dinner and transfer to the airport for our flight home.

December 14, Day 10 - We arrive back in the USA.

THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
SPONSORS THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
CHRISTIAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND OF ISRAEL
DECEMBER 5-DECEMBER 14, 2001

Grand Master William Jackson Jones and his Lady Lois are planning to lead the Pilgrimage. *Please come and join!*

PACKAGE PRICE INCLUDES:

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Round-trip airfare, Newark or Chicago to Tel Aviv, including international departure taxes
- All transfers and luggage handling in Israel
- First class hotel accommodations, double occupancy
- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily
- Hotel taxes and service charge
- Sightseeing in a deluxe motorcoach with

- an English speaking, licensed tour guide
- Entrance fees to sites, per itinerary
- Boat ride across the Sea of Galilee
- St. Peter's fish luncheon in Tiberias
- Special Roman theme lunch in Jerusalem
- Farewell dinner on the last evening in Israel
- *Not included:* gratuities to guide, bus driver, hotel staff, and items of a personal nature, such as sodas, other beverages, laundry, etc.

For further information please contact: AMI Travel, Inc., at address below; or telephone: (773) 777-4900 or outside Illinois: (800) 821-8947; fax: (773) 777-4921.

COST AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Package price per person, double occupancy:

From Newark Airport (NYC)—\$2,145 From Chicago O'Hare—\$2,255
Single room supplement, if needed, please add: \$435

For payment by credit card, add 3.25% of total. Senior discounts (age 60+, spouses age 55+): please deduct \$60 per person. **Deposit due with reservation: \$250 per person. Balance due: October 20, 2001.** Note: All checks should be made payable to: AMI Travel, Inc., and mailed to: Knights Templar Holy Land Program; C/O AMI Travel, Inc.; 6200 N. Hiawatha Avenue, Suite 625; Chicago, IL 60646.

RESERVATION FORM

Knights Templar Pilgrimage to the Holy Land of Israel—Dec. 5—Dec. 14, 2001

Please circle your choice—Price per person, based on double occupancy:

Newark Airport (NYC): \$2,145 Chicago—\$2,255

NAME (as appears on passport): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Telephone No. () _____ Work Telephone No. () _____

Name of roommate, if known _____

Date of birth _____ Passport No. _____ Issue date _____ Expire date _____

Name to be used on identification badge: _____

() Please confirm a single room supplement for an additional \$435.

() Senior discounts—age 60+ and spouses age 55+—please deduct \$60 per person.

Enclosed is my payment of \$250 per person. Balance due October 20, 2001. Please make checks payable to AMI Travel, Inc., and mail to: Knights Templar, C/O AMI Travel, Inc.; 6200 N. Hiawatha Avenue, Suite 625; Chicago, IL 60646.

Comments from 2001 Holy Land Pilgrimage Ministers...

Thank you for your gift to me of a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land this past February. The journey is one that I had made in my imagination for years, and now I have some realities as underpinning for my fantasies. Walking in the footsteps of the patriarchs, Jesus, and the apostles has cemented the incarnation theology, which is the foundation of my ministry. To paraphrase a passage in Deuteronomy 30: The Word, the Torah, the Christ, the meeting place of YHWH and humanity are in our hearts and in our mouths that we may do it! It is not across the seas or beyond the moon or in the Heavens that someone may go and get it for us.

The physical strength of our ancestors who walked the land of Israel and rowed the boats in Galilee is now evident. The stories of ancient Israel and of the Gospel now have a context that textbooks cannot convey, however well written.

Thank you. The visit and its meaning will continue to grow and mature in my ministry.

Rev. Dr. Raymond M. Gotko, Rector
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
Fort Valley, Georgia

I am still trying to process all we saw and heard. It has been a special moment in my ministry like no other. The transformation of myself and my ministry is hard to express in words. This experience will be with me the rest of my life!

I just finished putting my pictures in the photo album and relived the ten days. I realize now that I could have taken many more rolls and not captured all there was to see and experience. Already I have used slides in each service, including the last two weeks when I portrayed Peter and Caiaphas in a drama format during worship. The congregation found that having the pictures on the screen made the message come alive in a new way.

The most precious part of the Pilgrimage was the spiritual enrichment and renewal of actually walking through the Bible in the Holy Land. I will always be grateful to the Knights Templar for making this an experience of a lifetime. The local Eastern Star Lodge provided my trip, and I will soon be sharing with them a presentation of my trip. Thanks again for providing this opportunity for bringing together clergy from around the country to be Pilgrims together. Our guide and driver were a special gift of the experience.

*Gus Nussdorfer
Hartland Presbyterian Church
Hartland, Michigan*

What a joy it was for me to go to the Holy Land. You were so good to us, words cannot express how I feel!

What a great trip! Until the day I die, I will never forget going to Israel. I made a lot of good friends, and I was able to experience walking where Jesus walked. It does not get any better than this!

Preaching has been my life for some 32 years, but going to the Holy Land (outside of getting saved and getting married) was the greatest experience of my life. How can I completely cover how thankful I am for your sending me to Israel? Thank you!

*Houston Berry
Americus, Georgia*

2000-2003-Department Commanders Of The Grand Encampment

Billy J. Boyer

Right Eminent

Department Commander (2000-2003)
South Central Department



Billy J. Boyer was born February 18, 1936 in Medford, Oklahoma, to Joseph and Edith Irene Mayse Boyer. He graduated from Medford High School in 1954; attended Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma receiving a B.S. in Geology and a teaching certificate from graduate school in 1961; Graduate School University of Hawaii, Hawaii Institute of Geophysics, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1967-1968, Geodesy; and Graduate School Southern Illinois University, Masters in Business Administration, 1970-1972.

He served in the U.S. Army as a Specialist 4 Engineer from August 12, 1965 until August 11, 1960, and thereafter was active in the U.S. Army Reserves as a Sgt. E-5 with a Honorable Discharge in July 1964.

He married Elizabeth Joan O'Gorman on April 1, 1961 at Epworth Windsor Methodist

Church in St. Louis County, Missouri. He was a public school teacher at Fairfax, Oklahoma from 1961-1962 and a Geodesist at National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA) in St. Louis, Missouri from July 1962 until his retirement on January 3, 1998.

Masonic Record

Lodge: He was Raised in Algabil-Freedom Lodge No. 636, St. Louis, MO, on May 9, 1975, and was Worshipful Master, 1980-81; District Deputy Grand Master, 61st Masonic District, Division D. of Missouri, 1986-1987; member, Missouri Lodge of Research; member, Wardens' and Masters' Club, 61st Masonic District of Missouri; member, Grand Order of Sword of Bunker Hill, Harlem Order No. 73, St. Louis.

Chapter: Oriental Chapter No. 78, Royal Arch Masons, High Priest, 1985-1986, life member; Order of High Priesthood of Missouri, anointed, consecrated and set apart on May 8, 1986; Knights of the Triple Tau, North Dakota, created during the Grand Convocation, Fargo, North Dakota, April 2, 1993.

Council: Jeremiah Council No. 28, Cryptic Masons, Webster Groves, Missouri, Illustrious Master, 1986-1987, life member; Order of the Silver Trowel of Missouri, May 1997; Super Excellent Master, conferred April 1981 in St. Louis, Jeremiah Council.

Commandery Ascalon Commandery No. 16, Knights Templar of Missouri, Eminent Commander 1985-1986; Missouri Association of Past Commanders, KT., life member, member, Knights York Cross of Honor (KYCH), Missouri No. 17, May 11, 1988; member, Louisiana Priory No. 43, Knights of the

York Cross of Honor, 1996; Knight Commander of the Temple, 1994; Grand Commander of K.T. of Missouri, 1995-1996; Aide de Camp to Sir Knight Blair C. Mayford, M.E. Grand Master of the GEKT; 1994-1997; Trustee of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, 1996 to present; Knights Crusader of the Cross, member No. 377, Grand Commanders Knights Templar of Louisiana; HRAKTP.

Red Cross of Constantine, Knight Companion, 1987, Sovereign, 1999; Order of High Priesthood; Scottish Rite, member, 32°, Valley of St. Louis, Orient of MO; York Rite College, Charter member, Bruce Harmon Hunt York Rite College No. 162; Pre-eminent Governor, 1997-1998; Allied Masonic Degrees, member, Ray Vaughn Denslow Council No. 102, September, 1987, Sovereign, Master, 1992; National

Sojourners, Inc, member, St. Louis Chapter No. 22, June, 1995; Royal Order of Scotland, Initiated, Kansas City, MO, Provincial Grand Lodge R>S>Y>C>; National Federated Craft: member, Craft No. 12, St. Louis; Hi-12 Club, member; the Square Club, member; Alhambra Grotto, MOVPER St. Louis, SCC.; Moolah Temple, AAONMS, St. Louis; member, Past Master's Club; member of South County Shrine of St. Louis County.

Fraternities: Independent Order of Odd Fellows, St. Louis Lodge No. 5, Mound City Canton No. 9, and Wildey Encampment No. 1, St. Louis.

He was appointed Right Eminent South Central Department Commander on August 16, 2000, at the 61st Triennial Conclave in Nashville, Tennessee by M.E. Grand Master William J. Jones.

Gerald A. Ford

Right Eminent
Department Commander (2000-2003)
Northwestern Department



Gerald A. Ford was born September 16, 1939 in Melrose, Massachusetts and graduated from high school in that locality.

Enlisting in the United States Air Force, he spent eleven years in Aircraft Maintenance Management. After the military, he entered a new career in residential construction where he worked his way up from a carpenter's apprentice to a project superintendent and eventually to a project manager. During his time in the military and through his construction career, he added two additional years of college.

His first marriage blessed him with four children; three daughters and one son, all of which are happily married. He married his second wife in 1982, and through this marriage gained an additional son and daughter. They have been blessed with ten grandchildren.

In the spring of 1984, he served the Scottish Rite as the Secretary of the Colorado Consistory Scottish Rite Bodies, and the Rocky Mountain Affiliate of the National Association of

Credit Management as the President and Chief Operating Officer. He has since retired from the Association and is presently serving as the Grand Secretary/Recorder for the York Rite Grand Bodies of Colorado as well as the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of Colorado.

He is an active member of the Mile Hi Optimist Club, served as president in 1992, and has served as its Secretary/Treasurer for fifteen years. He is also a member of the Mount Vernon Country Club.

He is a member of South Denver Lodge No. 93, A.F. & A.M., serving that lodge as its Worshipful Master in 1979, and as its Secretary for an additional eight years. He is also a member of Memorial Lodge No. 1 and Research Lodge of Colorado.

He was Exalted a Royal Arch Mason in South Denver Chapter No. 42 and served that Chapter as its High Priest in 1984, holds a dual membership with Cripple Creek Chapter No. 33. He served the Grand Chapter of Colorado, as its Grand Lecturer from 1995 to September 1997, and is presently Grand Royal Arch Captain and Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Colorado. He received the R. & S.M. Degree in Arapahoe Council No. 23, and served as Thrice illustrious Master in 1987, and is presently Grand Recorder of the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons of Colorado. He has also been honored as Grand Companion Ish Sodi by the Grand Council of Colorado.

He was Knighted in Ascalon Commandery No. 31, served Coronal-Ascalon Commandery as its Commander in 1985-86. He was appointed to the Colorado Grand Commandery line in 1987 and served as R.E. Grand Commander of Colorado in 1994. He was also Chairman of the Registration Committee for the 59th Triennial Conclave of the G.E.K.T. held in Denver in 1994. He is presently serving as Recorder for St. Bernard Commandery No. 41,

Treasurer of Coronal-Ascalon Commandery No. 31, and holds the office of Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Colorado and the honor of KCT.

Sir Knight Ford's other Masonic endeavors are as follows: Scottish Rite; Knight Commander of the Court of Honor in 1985; received the title of Honorary Past Commander of Kadosh in 1991; Coroneted an Inspector General Honorary, 33° in 1991; Scottish Rite Research Society, Charter Member; Knights York Cross of Honour, Pikes Peak Priory No. 21; Knight Masons, Kincora Council No. 8, presently serving as its Senior Warden; Royal Order of Scotland, member and Screening Committee Chairman for Colorado; Allied Masonic Degrees, Past Sovereign Master of Pikes Peak Council No. 156, 1997, Honorary member of Front Range Council No. 177; York Rite Sovereign College of North America, Governor of Centennial College No. 87 in 1996, Order of the Purple Cross, 1996, Grand Governor of Colorado 1997-Present; Red Cross of Constantine, Past Puissant Sovereign, Mount of Holy Cross Conclave in 1997, Present Intendant General for the Division of Colorado; Colorado College, Masonic SRICF, Grade 1X, Chief Adept of Colorado College; Grand College of Rites of the United States of America; Legion of Honor Preceptory, Order of DeMolay, Dean-1995; Crown of Thomas Tabernacle No. XXVIII, Preceptor-1998; Denver High Twelve Club No. 11, President-1988; AAONMS, El Jebel Temple, Denver Court No. 138, Royal Order of Jesters; National Sojourners, Denver Fitzsimmons Chapter No. 137, Heroes of '76-Three Scout Camp.

Gerald A. Ford was appointed R.E. Northwestern Department Commander by M.E. Grand Master, William Jackson Jones, at the 61st Triennial of the Grand Encampment on August 16, 2000 in Nashville Tennessee.

Paul A. Monroe, Jr.

Right Eminent
Department Commander (2000-2003)
Southwestern Department



Paul A. Monroe, Jr. was born January 26, 1937 in Longview, Washington. He married Doris Eileen Cannon on August 26, 1967 in Glendale California, where they lived for six years before moving to Scottsdale, Arizona, in 1973.

He attended and graduated from Everett College and attended University of Washington. His military service covered eight years in the Medical Department of the U.S. Navy, and included service with the U.S. Marine Corps.

After being employed in many different facets of retail business, Sir Knight Paul, along with his wife Doris, opened his own business in 1977, and is still actively involved, representing direct Importers of Home Accessories servicing the Southwestern United States.

Sir Knight Paul was Raised a Master Mason in Scottsdale Masonic Lodge No. 43, F. & A.M., Scottsdale Arizona, May 1984. He later served as Trustee of the Lodge for three years.

He was Exalted a member of Royal Arch Masons in March 1985, where he served as High Priest in 1989 and 1993 of Scottsdale Chapter No. 18, R.A.M. He was created a

Select Master, Cryptic Mason, in March 1985 and served as Illustrious Master in 1990 and 1994 of Scottsdale Council No. 11, C.M. He was created a Valiant and Magnanimous Knight of the Temple in March 1985, where he served as Eminent Commander in 1992 and 1995 of Scottsdale Commandery No. 12, K.T. He is currently the Grand Principal Sojourner of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Arizona.

He is a member of the Order of High Priesthood, the Order of the Silver Trowel and the Past Commanders Association of the State of Arizona; recipient of the Order of the Purple Cross from the York Rite Sovereign College of North America, and is now Governor of Regus York Rite College No. 86. He has received the Super Excellent Master Degree, is the holder of the Ish Sodi Award X 4, and presently a member and holds an office in the Arizona Conclave of Red Cross of Constantine, the Grand Canyon Council No. 280, Allied Masonic Degrees, and the Wilderness Tabernacle No. LII, HRAKTP.

One of Sir Knight Paul's pet projects is the annual Knights Templar Christmas Observance held at the Eastern Star Retirement Center in Phoenix. This program is looked forward to by the residents and Sir Knights as a high point of the season.

Sir Knight Paul was appointed to the Arizona Grand Commandery line as Grand Standard Bearer, October 1993, by Sir Knight Hubert W. Cocklin, R.E.P.G.C., and was elected Right Eminent Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Arizona, August 1999.

He holds honorary memberships in several constituent Commanderies within the State of Arizona, and also holds honorary membership in the Grand Commanderies of California, Colorado, and New Mexico.

He was appointed and installed R.E. Southwestern Department Commander of the Grand Encampment by Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, Most Eminent Grand Master, in Nashville Tennessee on August 16, 2000.

Over the Horizons of Freemasonry

by Dr. Stephen R. Greenberg, 33°, KYCH

One of the most far-reaching objectives of Freemasonry is the study and teaching of the historic and philosophic aspects of the Craft to our Brethren and to the world through a comprehension of this wondrous body of knowledge which enables it to become a living force for good effects.

The Midwest Conference on Masonic Education, founded in 1949, has become one of the foremost resources in the ways and means of Masonic education.

In the fall of 1948, Fred Mills, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Illinois, became appraised of an educational movement underway by the Grand Lodge of Iowa. Seeing the potential of this for other jurisdictions, he appointed a committee of Masonic educators in Illinois consisting of Brothers Alphonse Cerza, Albert Woody, William Kuntz, and Chester Steele and instructed them to journey to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to meet with a like committee already formed by the Grand Lodge of Iowa. Both groups met in the Iowa Masonic Library Building. The Illinois committee members were desirous of sharing the educational experience already gained by the Iowa group, employing it in the formulation of an educational program to be utilized for the initial program of Masonic education in Illinois.

The first meetings took place in 1949 at the Iowa Masonic Library over a period of two days. Much fruitful discussion led to the planning of the subjects to be included and a plan for the successful educational development in the years ahead.

At the conclusion of this first meeting, it was suggested that similar meetings be held on a yearly basis and that other grand jurisdictions in middle-America be invited to attend and share in communicating their own educational experiences. Thus were planted the seeds of the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education.

After much correspondence, a date was established for the first formal conference to take place at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on December 2, 1950. Delegates arrived from Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Visitors were welcomed also from Virginia and Washington, DC.

Brothers Alphonse Cerza, Albert Woody, William Kuntz, and Chester Steele represented Illinois. The conference was strengthened in its first year with the addition of the grand jurisdictions of Ohio and Michigan with such distinguished names as Royal Scofield, Past Grand Master of Ohio; Homer Zumwalt and Hugh Cole from Illinois; and Keith Arrington from Iowa.

I was fortunate to be included in this select group in 1961.

The Midwest Conference on Masonic Education was officially established with a chairman and committee elected and appointed each year. A conference theme was selected each year and the topics were chosen by the committee. In 1960 it was decided to elect a President, a Vice President, and a Secretary-Treasurer with the President in charge of all.

The present Secretary, Illustrious Brother Glenn Opp from Ohio, has been the Guiding Star of the conference for many years.

During its years of existence, the Midwest Conference has hosted many significant papers presented by outstanding Masonic educators including Harry Carr, Forest Haggard, Alphonse Cerza, Hugh Cole, and Jack Kelly.

At the close of each annual meeting, the delegates return home charged with new ideas.

Sir Knight Stephen R. Greenberg, KYCH, 33°, is a P.C. of Mizpah Commandery No. 53, Oak Lawn Illinois and an affiliate P.C. of St. Bernard Commandery No. 35 and St. Elmo Commandery No. 64 in Chicago, Illinois. He is a member of the Knights Templar Educational Foundation of the Grand Commandery of Illinois and Chairman of the Grand Commandery Historian Committee of Illinois. He resides at 418 Huron Street in Park Forest, Illinois 60466-2206

Easter Sunrise Service Revisited-2001

by Sir Knight Robert V. Hines, P.G.C. (DC), General Chairman
Committee on the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service

The 71st Grand Encampment Easter Sunrise Service was preceded by several days of rain, but early Sunday, as a result of numerous prayers and the help of our Great Captain of Salvation, we had sunshine and no wind. 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 given by the District of Columbia Scottish Rite bodies. On Friday the Saint Simeon Stylites Conclave of the Red Cross of Constantine hosted the morning breakfast at the University Club.

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. This ceremony has become a great part of the Easter weekend and was well attended as in previous years. We had an overflow and plan for a second bus for next Easter. Indiana invites not only the Most Eminent Grand Master (William Jackson Jones this year) to participate in this service, but all Sir Knights and ladies in attendance are invited to accompany them to Arlington.

The reception and luncheon, honoring our Most Eminent Grand Master William Jackson Jones and his Lady Lois and the Grand Commanders in attendance, was attended by over 300 Sir Knights and their Ladies. This event appears to be gaining in popularity, since it does provide a social event for all present.

Early Sunday over 300 Knights Templar formed the parade at the base of Shooter's Hill in Alexandria, Virginia, to march up the hill to the steps of the magnificent George Washington Masonic National Memorial led by Most Eminent Grand Master William Jackson Jones. The Grand Master and his staff, as well as the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, James Dean Cole, received honors from the marching Sir Knights. In the stands were present over 250 additional Sir

Knights and approximately 1,200 additional family members and friends. The Grand Commandery of Maryland again preceded the parade, with the Drum Corps from Maryland and formed a Passion Cross in the stands.

The combined band composed of Shriners from both Almas and Kena Temples again provided the music for the services. In addition, the attendees had the privilege of hearing "The Lord's Prayer" performed by the daughter of our Grand Master, Jane Ann Pickett, on the flute.

The Grand Prelates of the Grand Encampment alternated their duties with the opening prayer being given by Thomas Jones, "The Apostle's Creed" and sermon, "Open Grave, Open Eyes, Open Hearts," by John D. Jones and with the Benediction by Thomas M. Jones.

The entire line of officers of the Grand Encampment were present and took part in the ceremony, as did two of our Past Grand Masters, Ned E. Dull and William H. Thornley, Jr. There were present all 7 Department Commanders and 22 Grand Commanders taking part in the procession making this a memorable morning. These are listed at the end of the article.

Ohio once again was recognized as having far and away the largest contingent present with 101 Sir Knights in formation. We greatly appreciate and congratulate their excellent showing over the last several years. It would appear, however, that 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 George Gilbreath of Virginia and those stalwarts, the DeMolay from Northern Virginia, who do the set-up on Saturday and the takedown after the service on Sunday and who take care of the seating, ushering and passing out of the programs

They have been doing great work year after year. In addition are the Sir Knights from the District of Columbia such as: Sir Knight Russell Tazelaar and Urban Peters, who handle the placing of signs for the Grand Commanderies, and Rod Phillips, Fred Gore, John Baker, and Walter Kitts, who provide the sound systems. The Virginia Sir Knights provided the parking staff and were led by the Past Grand Commander of Virginia, John Wigglesworth, Jr. They also handled the seating of the Sir Knights and were led by Douglas Jordan and his staff. These and others deserve the credit for the smooth functioning of this event year after year, as

well as those many others who serve without being noticed and who make this a grand experience for all.

The Sunday Breakfast, following the Easter Sunrise Service, was very well attended by over 300 Sir Knights and ladies. This occasion also provides an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and make new friends prior to departure from Washington.

In 2002 Easter will occur on March 31, 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)			
Mass./R.I.	Maine	Georgia	South Carolina
New York	Pennsylvania	Kansas	Delaware
Virginia	Indiana	Maryland	
Vermont	Michigan	West Virginia	
Ohio	Illinois	North Carolina	
Kentucky	Tennessee	Florida	
	New Jersey	District of Columbia	
RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDERS ATTENDING (by Jurisdictional Seniority)			
Charles R. Austin (MA/RI)	James C. Costello (MI)	Ralph P. Presley (NC)	
Charles C. Mendell (NY)	Robert E. Martin, Jr. (IL)	Daniel L. Bennett (FL)	
Baldwin G. Locher, Jr. (VA)	Roy C. Etherton (TN)	W. Fred Gore (DC)	
Ronald R. Ebert (OH)	Steve Lutz (NJ)	John T. Davis, Sr. (SC)	
Dr. Robert J. Thomas (KY)	Grady T. Bozeman (GA)	Sheldon L. Edwards (DE)	
David J. Billings (ME)	Donald B. Kelley (KS)		
Albert L. Kappeler, Jr. (PA)	Calvin W. Parker (MD)		
Irvin L. Bitting (IN)	Charles W. Sinsel (WV)		
RIGHT EMINENT DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS PRESENT			
David D. Goodwin (Northeastern)	D. Samuel Tennyson (Southeastern)		
Donald M. Estes (East Central)	Henry J. DeHeer (North Central)		
Billy J. Boyer (South Central)	Gerald A. Ford (Northwestern)		
Paul A. Monroe, Jr. (Southwestern)			

Presentation to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial

The Most Eminent Grand Master, Dr. William Jackson Jones, made a presentation to George D. Seghers, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, of a check in the amount of \$5,000.00 for a plaque to be placed on the Square and Compass, in the name of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America. The funds for this plaque were donated by the Grand Commanderies of Indiana and Illinois and the Grand Commanderies of the Northeastern Department, namely: New York, New Hampshire, Maine, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and the District of Columbia.

To those who would like to be present next year, the Easter Sunrise Service will be held on March 31, 2002.

Tampa, Florida—Maundy Thursday And Easter Services



Maundy Thursday and Easter Services were held at the Tampa Scottish Rite Masonic Center, Tampa, Florida, and were well attended by members of the Fraternity and the public. Officers of the Scottish Rite performed the services, and young ladies of several Bethels of Job's Daughters formed a Living Cross. For the first time in memory, Knights Templar from the third district of the Grand Commandery, who are also members of the Scottish Rite, were present. Among dignitaries were: Louis A. King, M.W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Fonda, and several Past Grand Masters of the Lodge. Plans are in place to continue joint services in the future and thus display the peace and harmony that exist within the bodies.

Highlights From The Easter Sunrise Service - Alexandria, VA Photos by Sir Knight Oscar D. Olsson, P.G.C. (NJ)



Above and right above: Sir Knights and guests from around the country gather on the steps of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial for the Easter Memorial Sunrise Service in April 2001.



Above: Grand line officers on the march with Grand Master William J. Jones (left) leading.

More pictures from the Sunrise Service in the August 2001 issue

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We will visit the 15th century Rosslyn Chapel, the ancient home of the Knights Templar, and the important center at Temple Balsall near Warwick, and Denny Abbey near Cambridge, important locations on

the pilgrim's route to Canturbury; and we will attend a worship service at the Temple Church in London.

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If you wish to have help with air arrangements for the trip, *Ravel Bound, Inc.* is holding some group space out of both Chicago and Washington, DC.

The Best In The West

All pictured are grade E-7 in the military, and all are Master Masons in Builders Lodge No. 60, F. & A.M., at Tucson, Arizona: (left to right) FCC Dean Smith, USN (stepson); MSgt David M. Hunnewell, USAF; ABFC Craig A. Hunnewell, USN; and MSgt (Ret.) David A Hunnewell, USAF. The family has 72 years of active service. (submitted by Brother David A. Hunnewell, Tucson, AZ)





To place your "Knight Voices" item on the waiting list for publication, type or print it and send to "Knight Voices," The Grand Recorder, 5097 N. Elston Avenue, Suite 101, Chicago, IL 60630-2460. Items submitted to Knight Templar that refer to Templar or Masonic subjects will continue to be printed free of charge. All other items should be accompanied by a \$5.00 remittance made payable to the Grand Encampment. Any submission may be subject to editing. You must submit a written request and check, if applicable, for each time you want your ad to run. Each request must be separate and at monthly intervals, not several at the same time. All other requests for repeat ads will either run just once or will be returned to sender.

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

For sale: C.P.O. coats, poly-wool, summer weight; sizes: 44 short and 46 short. \$23.00 includes shipping and handling. 10% of all sales will be donated to KTEF. General Merchandise Company; 13690 Broad Street, S. W; Pataskala; OH 43062, (740) 927-7073

If there is a Commandery that needs them, we have 20 old style, long uniform coats that we would give to anyone desiring them. They are in need of cleaning, but if you will pay the postage, you may have them. R. L. Sears, 1201 Smyth, Plainview, TX 79072, (806) 296-5757.

Knight Templar dress ties: cross and crown on square and compass (\$25.00 each): fund-raiser for celebration of 150 years of Templary in Texas. The Grand Commandery of Texas was formed in 1855 in San Antonio and the sesquicentennial will be commemorated in San Antonio in April 2005. Both ties are navy blue with emblem. One large emblem tie (56 inches long) has one emblem of gold crown, red cross, blue square and compass outlined in gold on the body; small emblem tie (60 inches long) has reoccurring pattern with crown, square and compass in gold with red cross diagonally across body. Make check payable to San Antonio Commandery No. 7 and mail to 10122 N. Manton, San Antonio, TX

78213. Ties will be sent same day of receipt. James N. Higdon, G.C.G.; Grand Commandery of Texas, H: (210) 341 1309; 0: 349-9933; e-mail higdon@stic.net

For sale: Masonic wall clocks with 6-year guarantee. They make a great gift for a Masonic friend or candidate. This is a fundraiser for Chapter, R.A.M. Clocks are \$12.50 each, or buy 3 for \$35.00, shipping included. Please indicate Blue Lodge or Shrine clock face. Waukesha Chapter No. 37, R.A.M.; P.O. Box 322; Waukesha; WI 53187.

Tyler Masonic Lodge No. 1233, A.F. & A.M., Tyler, Texas, is having a fund-raiser for our Diamond Jubilee Celebration. We have for sale our 75th anniversary bronze and shining bronze coin. They are \$6.00 and \$9.00 respectively including postage. Face has "Tyler Masonic Lodge #1233, A.F. & A.M." with letter "G", and square and compass on the face of a star. Reverse side has the columns, seeing eye, altar, and square and compass. Check or M.O. to Tyler Masonic Lodge No. 1233 and mail to 1329 East Fifth Street, Tyler, TX 75701.

Cochran Lodge No. 217, F. & AM., Cochran, Georgia, is continuing its long-term charity project. We are selling Masonic jewelry boxes, 6 x5 x2.5 inches in size and the shape of the square and compass. They are constructed of exotic woods from Central America and are hand-crafted with an interlocking design. All profits from these Masonic jewelry boxes will be going to Masonic charities, a portion directly to the Georgia Masonic Children's Home Endowment Fund. The price is \$20.00 each with \$5.00 shipping in the U.S. and Canada Check or money order to Cochran Masonic Lodge No. 217 and mail to Harry A Bruno, Chairman, Cochran Masonic Lodge No. 217, F & AM.; P.O. Box 732; Cochran; Get 31014 or e-mail: harry217@bigfoot.com

Watchmaker is putting together a collection of wristwatches, pocket watches, clocks, watch fobs, pictures, articles, books, etc. that show a relationship between Masonry and Time. They will

become a traveling exhibit as a historical expo. and teaching tool. Any donations/contributions would be greatly appreciated; recognition of donor and history, if submitted, will accompany each piece. Hans "Kris" Johnson, 8 Link (La Luz), NW; Albuquerque, NM 87120-1805; (505) 897-0915 or (800) 687-3927; e-mail oneofone@flash.net

For sale: 10 centimos Peruvian coin stamped with square and compass emblem. Ten coins for \$7.50 pp. This is a fund-raiser for storm damaged Andes Lodge, Leoncio Prado No. 51, Huanuco, Peru. Send to Sir Knight M. G. Rengifo, 816 Cedar Lane, Tullahoma, TN 37388

Founder members wanted: A new Preceptory, the Preceptory of Bute No. 179, is being set up later this year in Rothesay, Isle of Bute, Scotland. We are offering the opportunity to any Knight Templar of becoming a founder member. The granting of our charter has been ratified by the Great Priory of Scotland, and we will be part of the Grand Priory of Strathclyde. The cost is \$75.00, and each founder will receive a certificate. Check/MOs payable to The Preceptory of Bute; Even M Beaton, VP elect; Fauldres Road, Rothesay; Isle of Bute; PA20 9E4 Scotland, e-mail: ewen.beaton@btinternet.com

Masonic coin collectors: Meridian Sun Lodge No. 20, Craftsbury Vermont, has a few remaining special bicentennial coins available for sale. These were struck for our 200th anniversary last October and sold for \$6.00 each. Send \$5.00 each for a very limited number of coins available to Meridian Sun Lodge No. 20, Craftsbury, VT 05826-9502.

Sprig of Acacia lapel pins: Each handcrafted pin is sterling silver with a 24 karat gold vermeil finish. Price per pin is \$10.00 ea. including S & H. New item available: the four immortal chaplains lapel pin, a pin honoring the chaplains who sacrificed their lives by giving up their lifejackets in order to save the lives of others. One of the chaplains, Reverend and Brother George Lansing Fox, was a member of Moose River Lodge No. 82, F. & AM., in Concord, Vermont. Price per pin is \$8.00 ea including S & H. S. Kenneth Bard, 3747 Westgate Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45208-1122, (513) 731-0737. 10% of proceeds will benefit the KTEF.

For sale: The Medal of Honor The Letter Gin Valor, a 268-page digest with the names, congressional citations, and Lodge membership of all Masons who have received our nation's highest military award for bravery. Check or money order for \$21.95 (CT residents, \$23.27) to Weidner Publishing Group, Dept. K, 490 Cornwall Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410, or credit card order by calling 1(800) 783-9654. Author's portion of profits donated to KTEF.

Wanted: Masonic Chapter pennies by avid collector. I have been building this collection for 28 years and still need many pieces as I am collecting all varieties. These one day will end up in a Masonic museum. Why not find a home for your mark? I will gladly send you a check for

one piece or will buy your collection. If you collect, I will gladly exchange. I will answer all letters. Maurice Storck, Sr.; 775 W Roger Road, No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (520) 888-7585

FOR SALE: customized promotional, imprinted items, gifts, and incentives, such as die cast coins, medallions, lapel pins, wooden nickels, ink pens, pencils, markers, yardsticks, mugs, cape, key tags, knives, belt buckles, bumper stickers, calendars, business cards, magnetic items, and ornaments. Celebrate your next Masonic event with these and many more very popular items for Blue lodge, Royal Arch, Council, Commandery, and Shrine. All items produced in bulk quantities to your specifications, using your camera-ready art, or we can create the art from scratch using your sketch. 3¹¹/c of profit goes to KTEF. Contact Frank Laser at 1-800 765-1728 or e-mail masonicprom@efinteractive.com or www.efinteractive.com

Wooden nickels for sale: 1,000 natural wood nickels with blue square and compass imprint on one side and your lodge name and number on the other side, \$189.00, free shipping. Rush orders available. 3% goes to KTEF. Check or MO to CNF interactive, 408 Ashlar Circle, Nashville, TN 37211. Call Frank Looser for more cash quotes or details on other items 1 (800) 765-1728 or send \$5.00 for full color catalog. \$5.00 refundable on first order. www.cnfinteractive.com

Wanted: originals or photo-static copies (copyrights have now expired) of fraternal sheet music compositions written by Frank Losey, in particular: "Mount Olivet Commandery March" (1915), "Eastern Star March" (1905), "Loyal Knights" (1907), "Knight Commander" (1905). Bill Rabbitt, 3516 Greengarden Blvd., Erie, PA 16508, (814) 868-9486 or e-mail billZajac@aol.com

Wanted to buy Masonic first day covers and cachets; also, buying cover collections. G. B. Adkins, Rt. 1, Box 152A, Keyser; WV26726; (304) 788-3783; e-mail gadkins@pennswtxls.net

For sale: Rest-Haven Cemetery in Houston, Texas, Masonic section, 4 spaces, section 3A, spaces 1-4. Wayne and Mary Sims, 2229 South Erie Place, Tulsa, OK 74114-2247, (918) 744-5377.

Retired Mason and Sir Knight wants to buy, any condition: train sets - American Flyer, Lionel, and Marx, all gauges; Aurora "model motoring" race car sets; U.S. and German military items; and old U.S. stamps (pre-1940). Tim Rickhelm, 14761 Tunnicliff Road, Petersburg, MI 49270-9716, collect: (734) 854-3021, e-mail: heim@accesstoleado.com All inquiries answered.

Past Master and Sir Knight seeks old, professional wrestling documents and memorabilia of all kinds, especially from knowledgeable Masons. S. D. Johnson; 2410 S Street, No. 10; Sacramento; CA 95816; (916) 451-8170; e-mail duff@midtown.net

