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During the Grand Encampment 2002 Easter celebration in Washington D.C., former Senator and 36-year Sir Knight, Bob Dole, 33°, (at left) meets in his office with Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment.

## Grand Masters Message for July 2002

A large cast was assembled in the asylum of Ottawa Commandery No. 10 in Ottawa, Illinois, during the month of May, and the Order of Malta was videotaped. The Grand Encampment Committee on Ritual and Tactics will soon have available an instructional videotape for your use. Other instructional material is being planned to follow. I need to remind you that any duplication or recording of the Ritual must have the permission of the Grand Encampment before it is begun.



On behalf of the Trustees of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, I want to thank all of you who worked hard to make the 34th Annual Voluntary Campaign such a success. Over one million dollars will be available to help with our research grants, our support of Eye Care America in partnership with the American Academy of Ophthalmology, and of course, surgery for those who would be unable to pay for it themselves. Our trustees will be meeting in August to work on revising our long-range plan and looking to the future. Thinking about what we can do in the coming years is exciting!

As I write this, I know July will be a quiet month. I plan to travel to Salida, Colorado, for the Colorado Encampment. That should be an exciting time! The York Rite Grand Sessions of Illinois will follow in Peoria. The Grand High Priest of Illinois visited Tuscola Chapter No. 66 (my Chapter) last week, and he and the Grand Commander and the Grand Master of Cryptic Masons have the usual good times in the works.

We have been planning for the 62nd Triennial Conclave. Don't forget to put it on your calendar. It will be held at the Adam's Mark Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri. Drill competition will be on Saturday, August 16, 2003, with a religious observance on Sunday. On Monday there will be the formal opening, which is for ladies and family and friends. We will begin the business sessions after lunch and continue with legislation and reports on Tuesday. Wednesday will see the installation of officers, and Sir Knight Kenneth Bernard Fischer will have a meeting for the new team. More details and registration information will be available in August and September. Come and join in the fun and fellowship! You will have the opportunity to discuss and influence the future of our order.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Jackson Jones".

Dr. William Jackson Jones  
Grand Master, KCT, GCT

# **Knight Templar**

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

JULY: Full coverage of the results of the 34th Annual Voluntary Campaign is included in this issue. Also, more members of the 33° Club are listed in this issue. General Chairman Pruitt has closing remarks on the Campaign on page 6. On page 2 Grand Master Jones brings news of Templar interest, including news of the KTEF, news about ritual and tactics materials available, and early information concerning the 62nd Triennial Conclave to be held in August 2003 in St. Louis, Missouri. Photos of the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service and surrounding events-2002 are presented starting on page 20. We think you will enjoy them, and more will appear in the August issue. Sir Knight and Dr. Ivan M. Tribe has written a wonderful biography of Brother A. B. Graham, father of the 4-H program. It starts on page 23. Enjoy!

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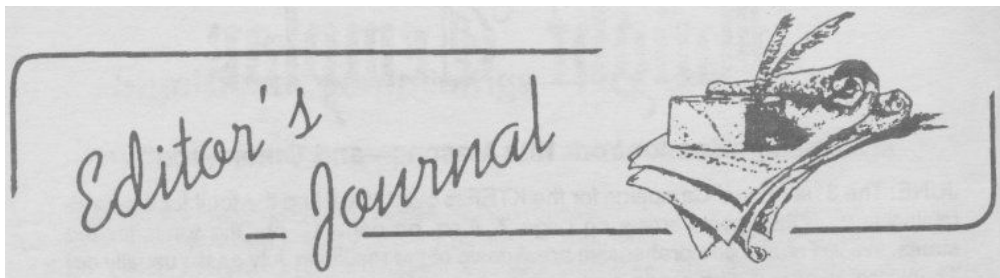
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**Attention:** all Grand Commanders and all Deputy Grand Commanders who will be in office as Grand Commanders on November 1, 2002; or Grand Recorders In the upcoming November issue, *Knight Templar* magazine will again present pictures of those Sir Knights who are Grand Commanders on November 1. Please provide us with a photograph of yourself in uniform by September 14, 2002. 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, 2002. 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, M.D., 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.

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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  
[www.YorkRite.com](http://www.YorkRite.com)

## **An Apology**

Sir Knight Robert V. Hines, who is shown on the cover of the June issue of *Knight Templar*, certainly deserves recognition for all that he has done as chairman of the Committee on the Easter Sunrise Memorial Service. We had intended, however, to use a picture of Grand Master William Jackson Jones. The copy was as intended, but we inadvertently picked up a picture of Sir Knight Hines. Our apologies to both Grand Master Jones and Sir Knight Hines for this error.

### **Los Angeles Commandery Easter Observance**

The Easter Observance of Los Angeles Commandery No. 9, Van Nuys, California, was held at the Van Nuys Masonic hall. They formed a cross with Eminent Commander Carlos Gonzalez (to right in picture) sitting at the head. The cross was decorated with Easter lilies, which were then presented to the wives and widows of the Sir Knights. Sir Knight Donald J. Spencer, Past Commander of the Commandery and State Chairman of the KTEF, writes: "Los Angeles Commandery No. 9 is the largest Commandery in the state of California with a membership of 589. It is a very active Commandery, participating in parades, drill competitions, and various social events outside of the Masonic circle."





## Message from the General Chairman of The 34th Annual Voluntary Campaign

by Sir Knight W. Bruce Pruitt, P.D.C. and P.G.C. (California)  
Chairman of the Annual Voluntary Campaign

Dear Sir Knights and Ladies,  
CONGRATULATIONS!

You have taken this 34th Annual Voluntary Campaign to new heights! The final numbers are now in, and I am happy to report to you that total contributions reached \$1,083,147.45. That is a fantastic accomplishment. It is the first time that voluntary contributions have exceeded one million dollars in many years. Thank you very much.

I can also report on those Grand Commanderies that met the goals of top dollars and top per capita. The largest contribution came from the Grand Commandery of Texas, which came through with \$98,914.96. I should say that the number two place was Pennsylvania, with a very respectable total of \$73,309.28. The highest per capita was reached by the Grand Commandery of South Dakota; they gave an average of \$18.89. This category was actually a close race, because number two was Utah, averaging \$18.58. What a great message this conveys. It shows what can be done when people really work hard and dig deep into their pockets.

Two other awards are going to be given, for the greatest improvements over last year. One will be for the increase in total dollars; the other for improvement in per capita. Here are the results of that "contest":

Greatest dollar increase over last year:

Virginia: \$28,595.47

Highest percentage increase over last year:

Washington 163.36%

Greatest increase in per capita:

Virginia: \$8.99

Highest percentage increase in per capita:

Washington 185.43%

The Grand Commanders of the four winning states (Texas, South Dakota, Virginia, and Washington) will receive (1) a set of The

History of the Encampment, and (2) a membership in the Grand Master's Club. A special, similar award goes to the Commander of Solo Di Aruba Commandery No. 1, Aruba. That was the subordinate Commandery with the highest per capita contribution, \$15.38.

I want to give a big "Thank you" to all of you in one regard. There was a time during the year when I was concerned that average giving was so low. I remember urging that every Grand Commandery reach a minimum of \$1.00 per capita. I am happy to report that you met that challenge. No one was below the \$1.00 average. Now, when we see numbers like those given above from South Dakota and Utah, along with other per capitas of \$17.92, \$14.96, \$13.88, and \$11.36, they show what can really be done. That gives us something to shoot for next year.

If you will recall, we also promised certificates of appreciation to those individual Commanderies that had 100%, 75%, or 50% participation of their membership. If you happen to be a Commandery Recorder and are reading this article, please check your records and see if you qualify for one of the certificates. Send the information to your Grand Commandery Campaign Chairman. I am asking the Chairmen to be the focal point for this part of the campaign. They are to contact all of their Commanderies, make a list of those eligible for certificates, and send the list to the Eye Foundation office. Will you state chairmen please get busy on that project?

Very little more can be said when we have said "Congratulations and Thank You!" Those of you who made a contribution to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation have a right to be very proud of your accomplishment. You can think of the many people who received surgery under your sponsorship and the

worthwhile research that you financed and give yourself a big, Knights Templar pat on the back. We will now take a break until next December and get ready for the 35th Voluntary Campaign. Meanwhile: God bless you all; may He keep you in the palm of His hand.

Fraternally yours,  
W. Bruce Pruitt

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## Eye Foundation Campaign Closes

The Knights Templar Eye Foundation reports a contribution total for the 34th Annual Voluntary Campaign of \$1,083,147.45, \$121,907.94 more than last year. 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 1,247 Commanderies participated in this year's campaign, 32 less than last year.

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 184 constituent and subordinate Commanderies that reported contributions of \$10.00 or more per member. 183 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	\$18.89 per member	Total—\$22,383.00
No. 2	UTAH Patrick Bailey, Chairman	\$18.58 per member	Total—\$8,491.93
No. 3	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA John C. Werner II, Chairman	\$17.93 per member	Total—\$6,759.00
TOP SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES ON A PER CAPITA BASIS			
	Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba	\$15.38 per member	Total—\$400.00
	Canaan No. 1, St. Croix, Virgin Islands	\$10.94 per member	Total—\$350.00
	Jerusalem, U.D., Zamora City, Mexico	\$2.10 per member	Total—\$42.00

### TOP GRAND COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS

No. 1	TEXAS Kenneth B. Fischer, Sr., Chairman	Total—\$98,914.96
No. 2	PENNSYLVANIA George A. Hulsinger, Chairman	Total—\$73,309.28
No. 3	GEORGIA Bobby J. Townsend, Chairman	Total—\$60,182.00

### TOP SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS

Heidelberg No. 2, Heidelberg, Germany—Total—\$500.00
Solo Di Aruba No. 1, Aruba—Total—\$400.00
Canaan No. 1, St. Croix, Virgin Islands—Total—\$350.00

### TOP TEN GRAND COMMANDERIES IN DOLLAR TOTALS

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

### TOP TEN GRAND COMMANDERIES IN PER CAPITA TOTALS

1. SOUTH DAKOTA	6. WASHINGTON
2. UTAH	7. ARIZONA
3. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	8. NEW HAMPSHIRE
4. VIRGINIA	9. MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND
5. COLORADO	10. CONNECTICUT

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

**ALABAMA:** Anniston No. 23, Anniston.

**ARIZONA:** Ivanhoe No. 2, Prescott; Phoenix No. 3, Phoenix; Calvary No. 8, Winslow; Yuma No. 10, Yuma; Mohave No. 13, Kingman; Burning Taper No. 15, Sierra Vista; Apache No. 16, Mesa.

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

**CALIFORNIA:** California No. 1, San Francisco; Oakland No. 11, Oakland; Eureka No. 35, Eureka; Whittier-St. Johns No. 51, Whittier; 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; Greeley No. 10, Greeley; Longs Peak No. 12, Longmont; Glenwood No. 20, Glenwood Springs; Temple No. 23, Grand Junction; Jefferson-Highlands No. 30, Denver; J. E. Abbott No. 40, Englewood; St. Bernard No. 41, Denver.



*CONNECTICUTT* Washington No. 1, East Hartford; Cyrene No. 8, Middletown; St. Elmo No. 9, Meriden; St. Johns No. 11, North Windham.

*DELAWARE*: Trinity No. 3, Wilmington.

*DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA*: Washington No. 1, Washington, D.C.; Columbia No. 2, Washington, D.C.; Potomac No. 3, Washington, D.C.

*FLORIDA*: St. Augustine No. 10, St. Augustine; 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; Malta No. 16, Valdosta; St. Johns No. 19, Dalton; St. Elmo No. 21, Brunswick; 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; Blue Ridge Mountain No. 37, McCaysville; Douglasville No. 40, Douglasville; Amicalola No. 41, Jasper.

*IDAHO*: Gate City No. 4, Pocatello.

*ILLINOIS*: St. Elmo No. 64, Chicago; Chicago Heights No. 78, Lansing.

*INDIANA*- Seymour No. 56, Seymour.

*IOWA*- Siloam No. 3, Dubuque; Damascus No. 5, Keokuk St. Omer No. 15, Burlington; Ascalon No. 25, Waterloo; Apollo No. 26, Cedar Rapids; Kenneth No. 32, Independence; Bethlehem No. 45, Washington; Zerubbabel No. 68, Albia; Ascension No. 69, Ames.

*KENTUCKY* Paducah No. 11, Paducah; Mayfield No. 49, Mayfield. *LOUISIANA*: Plains No. 11, Baton Rouge; C. A. Everitt No. 29, Slidell. *MAINE*: Portland No. 2, Portland.

*MARYLAND*: Jacques de Molay No. 4, Frederick; Montgomery No. 13, Rockville; York No. 16, Camp Springs.

*MASSACHUSETTS /RHODE ISLAND*: St. Johns No. 1, Cranston, RI; Newburyport No. 3, Newburyport, MA; Holy Sepulchre No. 8, Pawtucket, RI; Milford No. 11, Milford, MA; St. Bernard No. 12, Boston, MA; Calvary No. 13, East Providence, RI; Haverhill No. 14, Haverhill, MA; Berkshire No. 22, Pittsfield, MA; Bay State No. 38, Brockton, MA.

*MICHIGAN*: Detroit No. 1, Detroit; Bad Axe No. 52, Bad Axe; Redford No. 55, Dearborn.

*MINNESOTA*: Fairmont No. 27, Fairmont.

*MISSOURI:* St. Charles No. 73, St. Charles. *MONTANA:* Helena No. 2, Helena.

*NEBRASKA:* Mt. Hebron No. 12, Kearney; St. John No. 16, McCook; Joppa No. 17, York.

*NEVADA:* Malta No. 3, Las Vegas.

*NEW HAMPSHIRE:* Trinity No. 1, Manchester; *Mt.* Horeb No. 3, Concord; Pilgrim No. 10, West Franklin.

*NEW JERSEY:* Palestine No. 4, Trenton.

*NEW MEXICO:* Santa Fe No. 1, Santa Fe; Shiprock No. 15, Farmington.

*NEW YORK:* Cyrene-Monroe No. 12, Rochester; Lake Erie No. 20, Buffalo; Central City No. 25, Solvay; Batavia No. 34, Batavia; St. Augustine No. 38, Ithaca; Westchester No. 42, Nelsonville; Norwich No. 46, Norwich; Bethlehem-Crusader No. 53, White Plains; Jamestown No. 61, Jamestown; Tonawanda No. 78, Tonawanda.

*NORTH DAKOTA:* Tancred No. 1, Mandan.

*OHIO:* Shawnee No. 14, Lima; St. Johns No. 20, Youngstown; Highland No. 31, Hillsboro.

*OKLAHOMA:* Ben Hur No. 14, Ponca City.

*OREGON:* Oregon No. 1, Portland; Temple No. 3, Albany; Bruce No. 17, Corvallis.

*PENNSYLVANIA:* Pittsburgh No. 1, Pittsburgh; Reading No. 9, West Reading; Pilgrim No. 11, Harrisburg; Palestine No. 14, Carbondale; Jerusalem No. 15, Phoenixville; Hugh de Payens No. 19, Easton; Baldwin II No. 22, Williamsport; Hutchinson No. 32, Norristown; Knapp No. 40, Ridgway; Constantine No. 41, Pottsville; St. Alban No. 47, Springfield; Kensington-Kadosh No. 54, Jenkintown; Trinity No. 58, Bradford; Lawrence No. 62, New Castle; Warren No. 63, Warren; Mt. Calvary No. 67, Greenville; Nativity No. 71, Pottstown; Mt. Vernon No. 73, Hazleton; Mc Kean No. 80, Monongahela; Samuel S. Yohe No. 81, Stroudsburg; Mt. Hermon No. 85, Sunbury; Bethel No. 98, Hanover; Nazarene No. 99, Montrose; Holyrood No. 100, Kittanning.

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

*TENNESSEE:* St. Elmo No. 4, Memphis; Baldwin No. 7, Lebanon; Morristown No. 22, Morristown; Kingsport No. 33, Kingsport; Millington No. 39, Millington.

*TEXAS:* Colorado No. 4, Austin; Brownwood No. 22, Brownwood; Denison No. 24, Denison; Kilgore No. 104, Kilgore.

*UTAH:* Utah No. 1, Salt Lake City.

*VERMONT* Lafayette No. 3, St. Albans.

*VIRGINIA*: Richmond No. 2, Richmond; Old Dominion No. 11, Alexandria; Malta No. 24, Onancock; Moomaw No. 27, Lexington; Chesapeake No. 28, Cape Charles; Arlington No. 29, Arlington; George W. Wright No. 31, Martinsville; Penn-Neck No. 33, Urbanna.

*WASHINGTON*: Seattle No. 2, Seattle; Temple No. 5, Ellensburg; Hesperus No. 8, Bellingham; St. Helens No. 12, Chehalis; Malta No. 18, Bremerton.

*WEST VIRGINIA*: Huntington No. 9, Huntington; Pilgrim No. 21, Elkins.

*WISCONSIN*: Crusade No. 17, Stevens Point; Palestine No. 20, Green Bay; Ivanhoe No. 24, Milwaukee.

*WYOMING*: Ivanhoe No. 2, Rawlins; Hugh de Payen No. 7, Lander; Constantine No. 9, Cody; Clelland No. 12, Douglas; St. Graal No. 13, Gillette; Platte No. 17, Wheatland.

*ITALY*: Trinacria No. 5, Messina.

### **Subordinate Commanderies Reporting \$10.00 or More Per Member**

*SOLO DI ARUBA NO. 1*: Aruba  
*CANAAN NO. 1*: St. Croix, Virgin Islands

### **Commanderies Contributing \$5.00 to \$9.99 Per Member** (Per capita is within 10 cents of minimum.)

*ALABAMA*: Huntsville No. 7, Huntsville; Florence No. 39, Florence.

*ARIZONA*: Arizona No. 1, Tucson; Columbine No. 9, Safford; Scottsdale No. 12, Scottsdale.

*ARKANSAS*: Hot Springs No. 5, Hot Springs; Rogers No. 24, Bentonville; Christian Friends No. 35, Clarksville; Hickmon No. 37, Bald Knob.

*CALIFORNIA*: Sacramento No. 2, Sacramento; Pacific No. 3, Sonora; Eldorado No. 4, Placerville; Nevada No. 6, Nevada City; Los Angeles No. 9, Van Nuys; St. Bernard No. 23, San Bernardino; Riverside No. 28, Riverside; St. Omer No. 30, Santa Barbara; San Gabriel Valley No. 31, Rosemead; Orange County No. 36, Anaheim; South California No. 37, Pomona; Vacaville No. 38, Vacaville; Bakersfield No. 39, Bakersfield; Palo Alto No. 47, Palo Alto; Contra Costa No. 59, Concord.

*COLORADO*: Pueblo No. 3, Pueblo; Mt. of the Holy Cross No. 5, Leadville; DeMolay No. 13, Fort Collins; Salida No. 17, Salida; Palestine No. 22, La Junta; Coronal-Ascalon No. 31, Denver; Delta No. 34, Delta.

*CONNECTICUT*: New Haven No. 2, New Haven; Clinton No. 3, Norwalk; Hamilton No. 5, Stratford; Palestine No. 6, Mystic.

*DELAWARE:* St. John's No. 1, Wilmington.

*FLORIDA:* Plant City No. 6, Plant City; Emmanuel No. 36, Deland.

*GEORGIA:* Georgia No. 1, Augusta; Palestine No. 7, Savannah; Plantagenet No. 12, Milledgeville; Godfrey de Bouillon No. 14, Athens; DeKalb No. 38, Decatur.

*IDAHO:* Idaho No. 1, Boise.

*ILLINOIS:* Crusader No. 17, Loves Park; Rock Island No. 18, Rock Island; Dixon No. 21, Dixon; St. Omer No. 30, Litchfield; St. Bernard No. 35, Chicago; Bethel No. 36, Palatine; Galena No. 40, Galena; Sterling No. 57, Sterling.

*INDIANA:* South Bend No. 13, South Bend; Columbus No. 14, Columbus; Vincennes No. 20, Vincennes; Angola No. 45, Angola; Lawrence No. 67, Lawrence.

*IOWA:* DeMolay No. 1, Muscatine; Palestine No. 2, Iowa City; St. Simon of Cyrene No. 9, Davenport; Holy Cross No. 10, Clinton; Oriental No. 22, Newton; Malta No. 31, Ottumwa; Nazareth No. 33, Manchester; St. Elmo No. 48, Iowa Falls.

*KANSAS:* De Molay No. 4, Lawrence; Concordia No. 42, Concordia.

*KENTUCKY:* Webb No. 1, Lexington; Louisville-De Molay No. 12, Louisville; Newport No. 13, Newport; Ryan No. 17, Danville; Richmond No. 19, Richmond; Princeton No. 35, Princeton; Glasgow No. 36, Glasgow; Conrad H. Cates No. 37, Elizabethtown.

*LOUISIANA:* Indivisible Friends No. 1, New Orleans; Jacques de Molay No. 2, New Orleans; Trinity No. 8, Alexandria; Crusader No. 21, Minden.

*MARYLAND:* Monumental No. 3, Baltimore; Beauseant No. 8, Cockeysville; St. Elmo No. 12, Hyattsville; Cambridge No. 14, Cambridge.

*MASSACHUSETTS/RHODE ISLAND:* Gethsemane DeMolay No. 7, Newtonville, MA; Pilgrim No. 9, Lowell, MA; South Shore No. 15, East Weymouth, MA; Sutton No. 16, New Bedford, MA; Trinity No. 32, Marlboro, MA; Athol-Orange No. 37, Athol, MA; Beauseant-Palestine No. 41, Maiden, MA.

*MINNESOTA:* Bayard No. 11, Stillwater.

*MISSOURI:* St. Omer No. 11, Sedalia; St. Graai No. 12, Columbia; Prince of Peace No. 29, Jefferson City; Lebanon No. 33, Lebanon; De Soto No. 56, Bonne Terre.

*MONTANA:* Crusade No. 17, Hamilton.

*NEVADA:* Dc Witt Clinton No. 1, Reno; Lahontan No. 7, Fallon. *NEW HAMPSHIRE:* Palestine No. 11, Rochester.

*NEW JERSEY*: Bergen No. 1, Hackensack; Helena No. 3, Palmyra; Cyrene No. 7, Cherry Hill; Corson No. 15, Red Bank; Trinity No. 17, Plainfield.

*NEW MEXICO*: McGrorty No. 4, Deming; Rio Hondo No. 6, Roswell; Las Cruces No. 11, Las Cruces.

*NEW YORK*: Temple No. 2, Albany; Malta No. 21, Binghamton; St. Johns No. 24, Salamanca; Washington No. 33, Saratoga Springs; Poughkeepsie No. 43, Poughkeepsie.

*NORTH CAROLINA*: Lenoir No. 33, Lenoir.

*OHIO*: Massillon No. 4, Massillon; Reed No. 6, Dayton; Oriental No. 12, Chagrin Falls; Athens No. 15, Athens; Forest City No. 40, Cleveland; Cuyahoga Falls No. 83, Cuyahoga Falls.

*OKLAHOMA*: Guthrie No. 1, Guthrie; De Molay No. 7, Chickasha;. *OREGON*: Ivanhoe No. 2, Eugene; Pendleton No. 7, Milton-Freewater.

*PENNSYLVANIA*: St. Johns No. 8, Carlisle; Northern No. 16, Towanda; Allen No. 20, Allentown; York-Gethsemane No. 21, York, Packer No. 23, Jim Thorpe; Mt. Olivet No. 30, Erie; Cyrene No. 34, Columbia; Calvary No. 37, Danville; Prince of Peace No. 39, Ashland; Dieu le Veut No. 45, Wilkes Barre; Tancred No. 48, Wexford; Clarence No. 51, Corry; Centennial No. 55, Coatesville; Duquesne No. 72, Pittsburgh-.Chartiers No. 78, Carnegie; Lorraine No. 87, Butler; Bethlehem No. 90, Bethlehem; Mizpah No. 96, Doylestown.

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*UTAH*: Charles Fred Jennings No. 6, Price.

*VERMONT*<sup>7</sup> Vermont No. 4, Windsor; Palestine No. 5, St. Johnsbury.

*VIRGINIA*: Fredericksburg No. 1, Fredericksburg; Portsmouth No. 5, Portsmouth; Appomattox No. 6, Petersburg; Scott No. 13, Gate City; Johnson No. 14, Bristol; Bayard No. 15, Roanoke; Grice No. 16, Norfolk; Luray No. 19, Luray; Piedmont No. 26, Manassas.

WASHINGTON: Ivanhoe No. 4, Tacoma; Yakima No. 13, Yakima.

WEST VIRGINIA: De Molay No. 11, Grafton; Mount Hope No. 22, Mount Hope.

WISCONSIN: Wisconsin No. 1, Milwaukee; Janesville No. 2, Janesville; Robert Macoy No. 3, Madison; Eau Claire No. 8, Eau Claire; Clintonville No. 44, Clintonville.

ITALY: Ugo de Pyns No. 6, Genova.

**Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.  
34th Voluntary Campaign**

**Campaign report by Grand  
Commanderies for KTEF Officers and  
Trustees for the week ending May 15,  
2002. The total amount contributed to  
the Campaign is \$1,083,147.45.**

Alabama .....	\$12,793.81
Arizona .....	13,598.97
Arkansas .....	6,442.50
California .....	36,663.36
Colorado .....	26,214.45
Connecticut .....	12,971.00
Delaware .....	2,189.80
District of Columbia .....	6,759.00
Florida .....	18,507.58
Georgia .....	60,182.00
Idaho .....	3,712.17
Illinois .....	22,702.58
Indiana .....	21,695.19
Iowa .....	25,582.00
Kansas .....	7,382.38
Kentucky .....	23,015.93
Louisiana .....	10,821.88
Maine .....	6,057.00
Maryland .....	13,403.60
Mass./R.I. ....	48,010.62
Michigan .....	28,474.00
Minnesota .....	5,418.50
Mississippi .....	6,846.35
Missouri .....	13,964.86
Montana .....	3,310.00

Nebraska .....	11,776.00
Nevada .....	6,595.37
New Hampshire .....	8,388.50
New Jersey .....	6,046.00
New Mexico .....	6,166.39
New York .....	15,824.50
North Carolina .....	12,086.53
North Dakota .....	2,213.00
Ohio .....	36,589.92
Oklahoma .....	8,191.39
Oregon .....	11,216.60
Pennsylvania .....	73,309.28
South Carolina .....	19,741.23
South Dakota .....	22,383.00
Tennessee .....	42,272.09
Texas .....	98,914.96
Utah .....	8,491.93
Vermont .....	4,691.55
Virginia .....	49,426.35
Washington .....	17,326.32
West Virginia .....	19,180.12
Wisconsin .....	12,732.30
Wyoming .....	6,749.16
Italy .....	1,500.00
Panama Canal No. 1 .....	30.00
Honolulu No. 1, Hawaii .....	200.00
Anchorage No. 2, Alaska .....	100.00
Ivanhoe No. 2, Mexico .....	108.00
Jerusalem, U.D., Mexico .....	42.00
Tokyo No. 1, Japan .....	280.00
Heidelberg No. 2, Germany .....	500.00
Solo Di Aruba No. 1 .....	400.00
Canaan No. 1, Virgin Islands .....	350.00
Miscellaneous .....	142,605.43

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William E. Sailer (NM), 33°  
Albert J. McCoy (KS), 33°  
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Richard J. Herr (OH), 33°  
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Theodore Smith, Jr. (MA/RI), 33°  
    in honor of James H. Douglass, 33°  
Philip R. Demers (NY), 33°  
Larry M. Scott (GA), 33°  
Barry W. Reppart (OH), 33°  
    in honor of Douglas O. Brennan, 33°  
Frank G. Fahnestock (CA), 33°

Jack Darley (CA), 33°  
Lloyd John Leinbaugh (GA), 33°  
William Hiles (KY), 33°  
    in honor of Albert R. Christian, 33°  
Lee Roy Munger (CO), 33°  
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 Robert C. Hoffman (OH), 33°  
 Sam Kapourales (WV), 33°  
 Rossie Walker Bell (SC), 330

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 Ernest E. Odom, 33°  
 Martin P. Starr (IL), 33° in honor of Bruce D.  
 Hudson, 33°  
 Patrick Henry Hooks, Jr. (TN), 33°  
 Thomas Anthony Cole (TN), 33°  
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## **Independence Day**

### **by Reverend Donald C. Kerr**



If you will examine the back of a dollar bill, you will see some significant insignia, which can remind us of what Independence Day means.

Look at the "Great Seal" on the left, and you observe some Latin wording, taken from Virgil's "Aeneid" and "Eclogues." One of these writings tells us a new order has begun as a new nation emerges from a revolution. The other quotation around the top of the pyramid says, "He (God) has favored our undertaking." The pyramid suggests something Egyptian, referring perhaps to the time when a people were emancipated from slavery. At the top of the pyramid is a "seeing eye," a symbol of God's watch over a new land of freedom. If you count the building blocks of the pyramid, there should be thirteen to correspond to the thirteen original colonies.

At the right side there is a floral medallion over the eagle. Within the medallion are

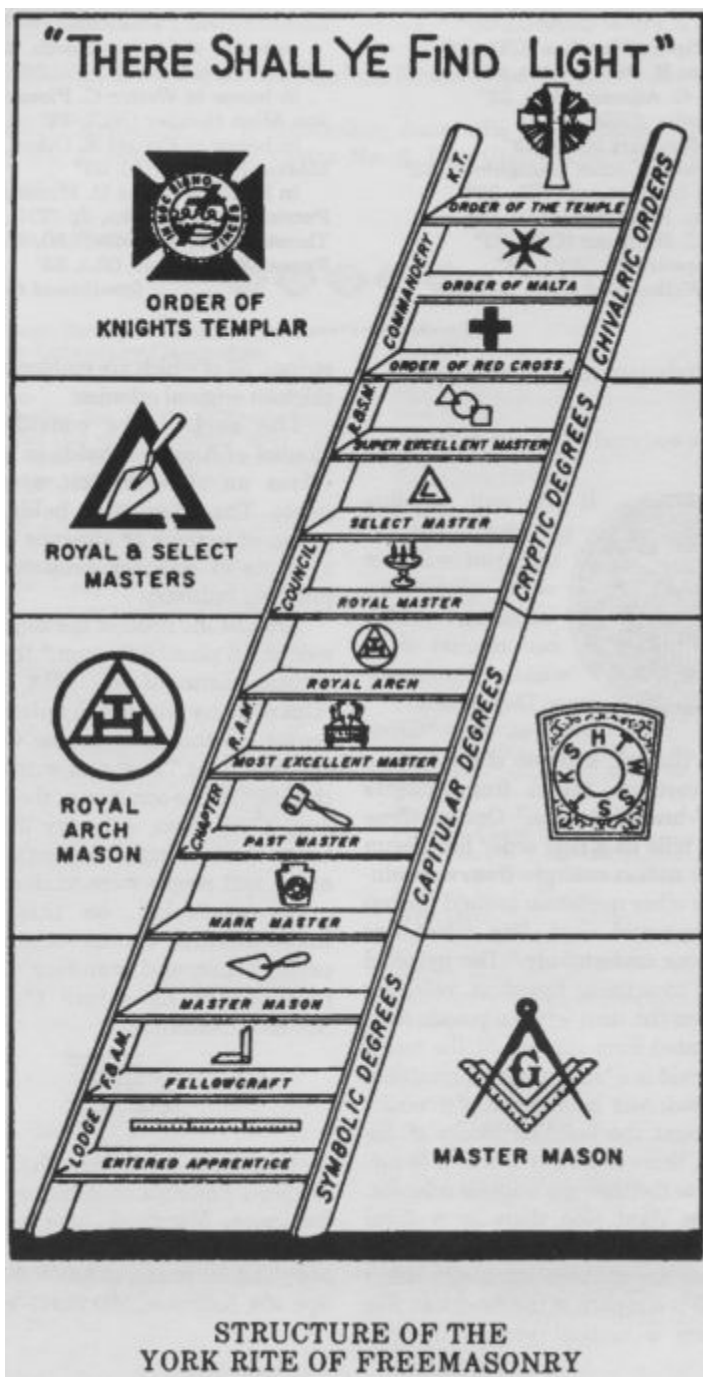
thirteen stars and below the eagle is a replica of the American flag displaying a vertical row of thirteen stripes, all of which are emblematic of the thirteen original colonies.

The eagle, once considered the symbol of America, holds in one of its talons an olive branch, symbolizing peace. The other talon holds either a group of arrows or sheaves of wheat, symbols of military preparedness or growing industry.

Around the head of the eagle are the words: "E pluribus unum," the characteristic motto of the USA, meaning "Out of many one nation united." At the center are the commanding words, "In God We Trust." That was written not by chance. On the occasion of the Fourth of July 1776, there was very little trust; times were unsettled, internal conflicts arose, and people were anxious.

In conclusion, on this Day of Independence, let us celebrate the pride, honor, and grandeur of being a patriot: Let us salute the United States of America!

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## **Introduction**

The component parts of the American York Rite are: The Symbolic (Blue) Lodges which are governed by Grand Lodges, The Chapters of the Royal Arch Masons which are subordinate to Grand Chapters, The Councils of Royal and Select Masters under control of Grand Councils, and the Commanderies of Knights Templar which are governed by Grand Commanderies under the ultimate authority of The Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the U.S.A. All of these are established on democratic principles where the senior officers are elected by and from the membership of that particular organization.

While there is no central authority of The York Rite, the leaders and officers at all echelons of Symbolic, Capitular, Cryptic, and Chivalric Masonry coordinate and cooperate as if they were part of one organization. On September 2, 1976, the presiding officers of the General Grand York Rite Bodies issued the following proclamation:

"WHEREAS, the International York Rite Council composed of elective officers of the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons International, the General Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters International, and the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America was constituted February 18, 1968, and,

"WHEREAS, the general purpose of said International York Rite Council is to foster a better understanding and promote a closer working relationship between the York Rite Bodies, particularly on a national level, and,

"WHEREAS, it is apparent that the Chapters, Councils, and Commanderies on a state and local level are generally more active, especially in membership promotion, where a spirit of close York Rite Cooperation prevails.

"NOW THEREFORE, said International York Rite Council first recognizes its dependence upon and fealty to the Symbolic Lodge of Freemasons and hereby expresses its belief in the York Rite Concept and supports and recommends that said York Rite Concept be fostered on the national, state and local levels and pledges its support to the same."

Dated this second day of September, 1976.

Signed: Gordon R. Merrick, General Grand High Priest  
General Grand Chapter,  
Royal Arch Masons International

Owen L. Shanteau, General Grand Master  
General Grand Council,  
Royal & Select Masters International

Willard M. Avery, Grand Master  
Grand Encampment,  
Knights Templar of the U.S.A.

## Recipients Of The Grand Encampment Membership Jewel

- 446. Milton H. Arrington, Maryland Commandery No. 1, Cockeysville, MD. 3-4-2002.
- 447. Calvin W. Parker, Maryland Commandery No. 1, Cockeysville, MD. 3-4-2002. (jewel and 1 bronze)
- 448. Larry R. Miller, Palestine Commandery No. 33, Springfield, OH. 3-4-2002. (jewel and 1 bronze)
- 449. Dennis L. Myers, Palestine Commandery No. 33, Springfield, OH. 3-4-2002.
- 450. Jacob W. Miller, Nativity Commandery No. 71, Pottstown, PA. 3-4-2002.
- 451. Salvatore "Sam" Busuito, Redford Commandery No. 55, Dearborn, MI. 3-5-2002.
- 452. Robert A. Philo, Cumberland Commandery No. 26, Cookeville, TN. 3-5-2002.
- 453. Joseph R. Barron, Ascension Commandery No. 25, Tyler, TX. 3-5-2002.
- 454. Alfred E. Badgett, De Molay Commandery No. 6, Sheridan, WY. 5-13-2002.
- 455. Gunder H. Hansen, De Molay Commandery No. 6, Sheridan, WY 5-13-2002.
- 456. Dennis Stewart, Ascension Commandery No. 25, Tyler, TX. 5-14-2002.



### Connecticut Women Work Hard For KTEF

Sir Knight William L. Miller, Connecticut State Chairman of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, reports:

"Over the April 6 weekend of Connecticut's Annual Conclave, the zeal and energy of our ladies through their annual sale of craft items and rallies has resulted in a collection of \$1,087.00 for the KTEF.

"Also, due to the singular efforts of Lady Lori Cowie, in continuing her famous Bake-less Bake Sale in memory of its founder, her mother Joyce Kluntz, \$5,050.00 was collected for the Eye Foundation.

"Therefore, our ladies have contributed \$6,137.00 for the 34th Annual Campaign. Lots of work involved! Thank you, ladies!"



### Contributors to the 33° Club (continued from page 15)

- Carl E. Starkey (TX), 33° in memory of Grant C. Horton, 33°
- Carl E. Starkey (TX), 33° in memory of John B. Wheeler, 33°
- Carl E. Starkey (TX), 33° in honor of J. D. Buddy Baccus, 33°
- Carl E. Starkey (TX), 33° in honor of James L. Threadgill, 33°
- Canton Webb (CA), 33°
- William H. Bailey (KS), 33°
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- John Robert McDaniel (CA), 33°
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- Curtis R. Paxman (CA), 33°
- Arthur Alexander Babbitt (IL), 33°

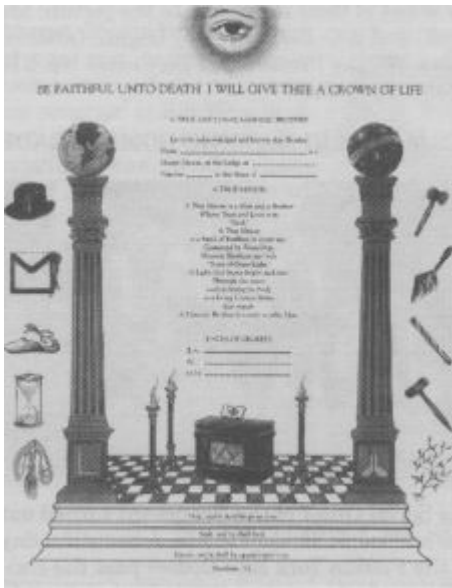
**George Mains Fulmer**  
**District of Columbia Grand**  
**Commander-1970**  
**Born: July 3, 1912**  
**Died: February 18, 2002**

## Pennsylvania's 200-Year Anniversary Stein Benefits The Knights Templar Eye Foundation

The Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania is celebrating its 200th anniversary, and to commemorate this event a beautiful Chapter stein was manufactured. It is 7 inches high, has a white ceramic body that holds 20-oz. liquid measure, and has a pewter lid with a special insert on the lid. The stein has 8 different colors and is outlined in 22c gold. This is a limited edition of 3,000 pieces. The price for the stein is \$25.00, which includes shipping and handling. For out of USA please add \$15.00 additional shipping costs. If you are ordering stems, please state that you saw this ad in the *Knight Templar* magazine, and \$1.00 will be donated to the KTEF for each stein purchased. Delivery is in about 4 weeks from the time you mail your order. Please send check or money order payable to: Stanley C. Buz, and mail to: PO Box 702, Whitehall, PA 18052. Phone: (610) 837-9429



## Membership Certificate To Benefit KTEF



Purchase of this beautiful membership certificate will benefit the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. It was designed to keep a record of all 3 degrees of a person who reaches Master Mason. It is 11 inches by 14 inches and is 100-pound, antique white, parchment paper. Colorful certificate has 8 different colors and 3 blended colors to give it a beautiful effect. The price is \$3.00 each, and the shipping is \$3.50. For every certificate sold through Knight Templar, \$1.00 will be donated to the KTEF. Please send check or money order to: Sandra D. Knotts, PO Box 158, Trexierstown, PA 18087

## Easter Sunrise Memorial Service—2002 and Surrounding Events



The band of Portland Commandery No. 2, Portland, Maine, appeared at the Saturday luncheon in Washington, D.C., March 30, 2002. The band members, under the direction of Sir Knight Richard R. Kelley (left), traveled with their ladies and the contingent of the Grand Commandery of Maine. Sir Knight John R. Knox writes: "I received e-mail notes and learned of two other active Knights Templar bands: Sir Knight Martin Donahue, P.C. of Ft. Wayne Commandery No. 4, Ft. Wayne, Indiana, and Sir Knights Ray Richardson and Tom Underwood, both of Kanawha Commandery No. 4 in Charleston, West Virginia, wrote to tell me of their respective bands."

**Following photos by Sir Knight Oscar D. Olsson, P.G.C. (NJ)**







## **Brother A. B. Graham: Father of the 4-H Program**

by Dr. Ivan M. Tribe, KYCH, 33<sup>o</sup>

For a century the 4-H program has enriched the lives of America's young people. Designed originally for rural youth, the 4-H movement has spread into the cities and to numerous foreign lands. The principal founder of this movement spent much of his later life shepherding and promoting 4-H. He also was a dedicated Mason and spent some seventy years as a member of the order. Albert Belmont Graham had been a township school superintendent in Clark County, Ohio, when he initiated what he first called an Agricultural Experiment Club with thirty members on January 15, 1902. By the time he died fifty-eight years later, millions of boys and girls had claimed membership in 4-H groups.

Albert Belmont Graham was born on a farm in Champaign County, Ohio, on March 13, 1868. His parents, Joseph A. and Esther Reed Graham, had married the year before, and a year and one-half after Albert's birth, the couple had another child Leticia, nicknamed Lettie. Although the family has been described as "average," Joseph Graham, his brother George, and his cousin William all belonged to Social Lodge No. 217, F. & A.M. in nearby Lena, a lodge that was chartered in 1852. When the children reached school age, both Albert and Lettie walked a half-mile to attend the Carmony one-room school.

Young Albert's youth was severely disrupted on February 2, 1879, when the Graham farm home caught fire and burned to the ground. Joseph Graham suffered injuries during the inferno and died eight days later. The farm had been mortgaged, and Esther Graham was forced to sell it to pay off the debt. With the \$1,021.75 left over she began a new career as a dressmaker in a small home in the nearby village of Lena. The income she received enabled her to rear her two children in modest circumstances and instill in young Albert a determination to improve his lot in life through additional education. At seventeen he graduated from Lena-Conover School and the following fall secured a position as teacher at the same Carmony School he himself had attended only a few years earlier. He received a salary of \$320 for his first year of teaching and remained at this post for two years.

Aspiring to obtain more schooling for himself, young A. B. Graham enrolled as a full-time student at National Normal University in Lebanon, Ohio, for the 1887-1888 school year. He then returned to Carmony for another term. In the summer of 1889, the young teacher followed in the path of his paternal relatives. On July 11, 1889, he took his Entered Apprentice degree in Social Lodge No. 217. He was passed to the degree of Fellowcraft on August 8, 1889.

According to Graham biographers, Virginia and Robert McCormick, he and a friend aspired to attend Wittenberg College in nearby Springfield. They rented a room and moved to the campus, but when the

two "discovered that they would not be allowed to attend Masonic meetings in town," they angrily withdrew. Graham "took a train to Columbus" and enrolled at Ohio State University. Over the holiday break on January 2, 1890, A. B. Graham was raised a Master Mason and remained a member for the next seventy years. He also joined the Odd Fellows Lodge in Lena and the Knights of Pythias in nearby St. Paris. Illness soon forced the young student to drop out of O.S.U., but in mid-March he took over as principal of the Lena-Conover School at a monthly salary of seventy dollars. This "pay raise" also enabled him to marry his sweetheart, Maude Lauer, on August 14, 1890. The marriage endured for sixty years until Maude's death and resulted in the birth of five children, one of whom died in infancy.

A. B. Graham spent the remainder of the 1890s as a teacher in various local schools in Champaign, Miami, and Shelby counties. In 1900 he became a full-time Superintendent of Schools in Springfield Township, Clark County; Ohio, at an annual salary of \$675. This system consisted of a dozen small elementary schools, mostly of the one-room variety; but

some containing two or three rooms. Actually this rural system partly encircled the city of Springfield, a bustling city of 38,000 population with a thriving farm implement industry.

As a teacher and administrator, Graham had become a participant in what was becoming known as the Country Life Movement. As the U.S.A. became more urbanized and industrialized, many acute observers on the national scene came to believe that rural life had become boring, dull, backward, and stultifying. Farm-reared youth increasingly migrated to the cities to seek industrial work and spend their adult lives in an urban atmosphere, sometimes with negative results. Thus these reformers sought manner and means to revitalize rural living. Concurrently, a back-to-nature movement developed in the cities designed to acquaint urban youth with the "ways of nature" and life in the woods. These movements resulted in the organization of such groups as Junior Audubon societies, the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, and the Camp Fire Girls. Educators pushed such innovations as field trips, classroom libraries, brightly decorated classrooms, and eventually consolidated school districts. To Graham and his contemporaries a field trip might range from a simple walk near the school yard to a journey by street car to Ohio State University; each could constitute a valuable educational experience.

A. B. Graham's own contribution to the Country Life Movement came



Albert B. Graham and Maude Keyte Lauer  
at the time of marriage, 1890



in mid-January 1902, when he organized what he termed "Boys' and Girls' Agricultural Experiment Club." The children learned how to do soil tests, develop "experimental plots of corn," and "grow flowers from seeds obtained from Congressman [Brother James] Cox." Within two years Graham's program was attracting state and even national attention. By the fall of 1904, the Dean of the School of Agriculture at Ohio State University reported that there were sixteen clubs with 664 members in ten Ohio counties. Graham's writings and lectures on the program began to have an effect, and the movement spread even more rapidly with a series of articles in a journal called *Agricultural Student*.

In the fall of 1904, A. B. Graham took a teaching position inside of Springfield, but it was only a stopgap job because on April 1, 1905, the Ohio State University Board of Trustees created and named him to the new post of Superintendent of Agricultural Extension at Ohio State at an annual salary of \$1,500. In this position Graham made a number of innovations in terms of extension work at Ohio's land-grant college, some of which were later incorporated into the congressional Smith-Lever Act of 1914. This law created the Cooperative Extension Service, a program which several states including Ohio (by the 1909 Alsdorf Law) had already enacted. Needless to say, he used this state position to continue promoting the Agriculture Experiment Clubs. After nine years, he left Ohio, resigning on June 24, 1914, to become head of the Extension Program at the New York School of Agriculture.



A. B. Graham, Superintendent of Agricultural Extension, Ohio State University, 1911 (Portrait photo by Prof. Frank H. Haskett)

Unfortunately Graham's year in New York proved less than satisfactory, primarily because the Empire State's program lacked sufficient organization and proper funding. He quickly became disillusioned but rejected offers to take charge of extension work in Connecticut, South Dakota, and Washington as well as rejecting a return to Ohio. Meanwhile, another offer came from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

President Wilson signed the Smith-Lever Act on May 8, 1914, creating a federal partnership with state and local governments in the Cooperative Extension Service. A. B. Graham received an offer, which he accepted, to become Administrative Specialist in State Relations Service, which allotted funding to states in connection with their own programs.



U.S.D.A. Supervisor Graham checking extension programs at Ohio State, 1930.

He retained this status until 1922 when he became the man in charge of Subject Matter Specialists in the Department of Agriculture. After sixteen years in this position, the age seventy mandatory retirement law forced his retirement in March 1938. The veteran educator returned to Columbus, where he lived for another twenty-two years.

Meanwhile, the youth movement A. B. Graham had started continued growing. Early members in Iowa had used a three-leaf clover with a letter H on each leaf, denoting hands, head, and heart. In 1911 a four-leaf clover with another letter H for "health" was added. In 1918 when the name "4-H Club" came into general use, membership reached a half-million. By 1936 4-H membership totaled over one million for the first time. In 1974 some 7,000,000 youth were enrolled in 4-H programs. As 4-H historian, Franklin Reck, once stated the program was so big

and complex that it could not be claimed by any one man. Others who contributed to the early development included W. B. Otwell, Seaman Knapp, Marie Cromer, O. H. Benson, and Gertrude Warren. Yet Graham must be considered the foremost figure.

As a result, Springfield, Ohio, became the site for issuance of the commemorative stamp honoring the 50th anniversary of 4-H Clubs on January 15, 1952, 50 years after Graham's club had its first known meeting. Sir Knight Norman Lincoln was present at the time and recalls that the 84-year-old pioneer figure seemed somewhat confused at a moment when he received the most public honors. Given his advancing age, this seems quite plausible. In the remaining eight years of his life, Brother Graham continued receiving honors including honorary doctorates from both Ohio State University and Marietta College. In 1957 Graham High School in St. Paris, Ohio, was named for the aged educator.

A. B. Graham died on January 14, 1960, one day short of the 58th anniversary of the founding of 4-H and 70 years and 12 days after he



had been raised in Social Lodge No. 217. Further honors came to him after his death. In 1972 he was chosen as one of 149 "Great Ohioans" who have had the most influence. In 1984 he was inducted into the Agricultural Hall of Fame in Bonner Springs, Kansas.

Yet the greatest memorial to Brother Albert Belmont Graham are the 4-H Clubs of America. In 2000 their national office estimated membership at more than six million. Furthermore, 4-H Clubs thrive in many foreign nations as well. His legacy is indeed significant.

*Authors note: The best source of information on A B. Graham is Virginia E. and Robert W McCormick, A. B. Graham:*

*Country Schoolmaster and Extension Pioneer (Worthington, OH: Cottonwood Publications, 1984) supplemented by Thomas Wessel and Marilyn Wessel, 4-H: An American Idea, 1900-1980 (Chevy Chase, MD: National 4-H Council, 1982). The Grand Lodge of Ohio furnished Graham's Masonic record. Sir Knight Norman Lincoln contributed the stamp and his recollection of the 1952 event in Springfield. I also appreciate the Companion (the name I have forgotten), who a few years ago alerted me to Graham's Masonic membership at an Athens Chapter No. 39, RAM., inspection.*

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### THREE OHIO BROTHERS RECEIVE 50-YEAR RECOGNITION



On April 30, 1952, brothers James, Wendell, and John Forman, along with their father Claud, were Knighted by Eminent Commander Bertram J. McDougall and became members of Fremont Commandery No. 56, Fremont, Ohio.

On April 17, 2002, the brothers together received their 50-year pins from Sir Knight Richard Speer, the Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, and from Sir Knight M. Bruce Markel, the Deputy Division Commander of the 6th Division of Ohio.

The brothers have been an integral part of Masonry in the Sandusky,

Huron, and Erie County area for many years. Both James and John served as Commanders of Fremont Commandery.

Wendell remains active and is currently serving as Worshipful Master of Monticello Lodge No. 244 in Clyde, Ohio. James is also active and serves the Commandery as Prelate, a post he has held since 1955; he is also a Past Prior of Ohio Priory No. 18.



In the pictures: left above: E.C. McDougall (left) congratulates Claud while James, Wendell, and John stand by, April 1952. Directly above, from left: Wendell and daughter, John and his lady, and James and his lady at the presentation April 2002. (submitted by Sir Knight Dwight D. Damschroder, Eminent Commander, Fremont No. 56)

## Summer Uniform Sale Aids Knights Templar Eye Foundation

Milford Commandery No. ii, Milford, Massachusetts, is offering a complete summer uniform and accessories (no pants or shoes) for \$125.00. (G.C. and PG.C. add \$35.00 for gold on cap visor.) This includes cap and insignia, short sleeve shirt, shoulder rank insignia, collar insignia, metal ribbon bar, name plate, black tie, tie clasp with cross and crown, and shipping and handling. Send cap size, shirt, rank, Commandery name and number, choice of engraving on the tie clasp (plain/Knight Templar/your state/Commandery name) to the address below. Make checks payable to Milford Commandery No. U. This is a fundraising project. All profits go to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This summer uniform was approved by Sir Knight James M. Ward, Past Grand Master of Knights Templar, U.S.A. See the May 1999 issue of Knight Templar magazine. For further information write to: Milford Commandery No. 11, c/o Robert P Winterhalter, PO Box 321, Ashland, MA 01721-0321. Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope. This is for our charity.

Robert L Dluge, Jr., R. W. Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania, has a great love for model train collecting, so it is only fitting that he would have created a Pennsylvania Masonic train. The train, manufactured by Weaver Models of Northumberland, PA, is an "O" gauge, three-rail set consisting of an Atlantic C-1 engine with a tender, five cars, and a caboose. Each piece is marked with Masonic symbols representing a majority of the organizations that comprise the Family of Freemasonry. Masonic charities including the Knights Templar Eye Foundation will benefit from profits generated by the sale of these sets.

The engine and cars are available for \$375.00 from the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-2520. A special limited run Pennsylvania M-1 engine may be available. There is also an option for track and a transformer. Telephone 1 800 462-0430, or contact: [www.pagrandlodge.org](http://www.pagrandlodge.org) for more information. I intend to get one, and I hope you will, too!

Grand Master William J. Jones



**KCT and GCT Award Recipients:** A 2 1/2-inch diameter, embroidered emblem has been produced for use on mantles and blazers of KCT recipients. The 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 is required 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 (303) 430-8483

## How Will You Pay for Expenses That Medicare Doesn't Cover?

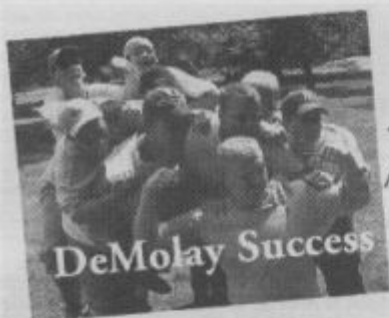
You owe it to yourself to find out about the Knights Templar Medicare Supplement Insurance designed for Sir Knights and their lathes.

With the high cost of health care today, the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Medicare Supplement Insurance Program is becoming a necessity for more and more of us. That's why it is good to know that you now have a choice of Medicare Supplement coverage under our plan at very affordable rates.

Under the Knights Templar Medicare

Supplement Plan, you will benefit in many ways: You have the freedom of choosing your own doctors and hospitals, there are no health questions or medical exams to qualify, there is no waiting period for pre-existing conditions if you switch plans or are about to turn 65, and there is hassle-free claims processing in about 7 days!

To make sure you can pay for the expenses Medicare doesn't cover, call (800) 749-6983 for the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar Medicare Supplement Insurance Plan information and enrollment kit.



*"Going out of the way." We all use this phrase from time to time. Stop and think how profound and meaningful it can really be!"*

Going out of the way is the key to all accomplishment in life. Going all the way is the road to all significant rewards in life. Going out of the way leads one to discovering and acquiring knowledge in life. Actually, we learn most things in our lifetime by going out of the way.



Now let's face it, Alaska is a little out of the way. It's not as accessible as a lot of places one finds DeMolay chapters. Being isolated geographically doesn't deter a good thing though, and DeMolay as *The Premier Youth Organization Dedicated To Teaching Young Men To Be Better Persons And Leaders*, is a good thing. A very good thing in fact. Take DeMolay Master Councilor, sixteen year old Joe Humphreys from Wasilla, Alaska. Since joining DeMolay in December of 1997, Joe has raised his grade point average significantly, enjoys school more, gained confidence in himself, brought in over ten new members, and has earned the Representative

DeMolay Award, the highest self-achievement award an Active or Senior DeMolay can earn. Basically, Joe is one of *Tomorrow's Leaders Today!* Joe achieved this by going out of the way.

DeMolay's success is translated from going out of the way by countless dedicated caring Masons, DeMolay Members and alumni, adult advisors, and loving parents. Masons go out of the way in many ways too. They offer their time and talents as DeMolay Advisors and volunteers. They urge sons, nephews, grandsons, and other young men in their neighborhoods toward possible membership in DeMolay. Freemasons are invaluable to DeMolay in so many ways. They sponsor DeMolay Chapters, provide financial support for DeMolay and the DeMolay Foundation, both being tax deductible. If you would like more information about DeMolay and becoming a part of creating *Tomorrow's Leaders Today!*, please contact:

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Knight Tempter dress ties: the perfect Templar gift: 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. 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 recurring pattern of emblem with crown, square and compass in gold with red cross diagonally across body. Uniquely beautiful ties can be viewed at [www.ycrkrite.org/ties.htm](http://www.ycrkrite.org/ties.htm). Check payable to San Antonio Commandery No. 7 and mail to James N. Higdon, 10122 N. Manton, San Antonio, TX 78213. Ties will be sent day following receipt. H: (210) 344-4309; 0:349-9933, e-mail [jnh.kt@hnhzlaw.com](mailto:jnh.kt@hnhzlaw.com)

For sale by Park Place Commandery No. 106, Houston, Texas: Knight Templar golf shirts, black or white, with cross and crown logo and pocket: sizes XXL, XL, L, and M. Proceeds of shirt sale go to KTEF. \$25.00 per shirt plus \$3.50 S & H. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery. Check or money order and specify color and size to Recorder, P.O. Box 263430, Houston, TX 77207-3430

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

They are going fast. 44XL are almost gone! C.P.O. sellout. We have some 44XL and 42 short C.P.O. poly-wool coats we are closing out. We will sell them in groups of 5 for \$50.00 plus shipping, or \$15.00 each. Stock up for your Commandery now! % to KTEF. Phone John Myers, (260) 668-8543 or Bill Meyers, (260) 665-5686

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

For sale: Symbolic Lodge flags. The Second Arch Officers Assoc. of the Royal & Select Masons of Ohio is selling as a fundraiser Symbolic Lodge flags, the perfect flagpole companion for our Stars and Stripes. They are 2 x3 feet, medium blue with gold square and compass, and have no lettering so can be flown by anyone. They have metal grommets and are made of the finest nylon glow material. Check or M.O. for \$23.00 to Howard L. Lambert, 6036 St., Rt. 185, Piqua, OH 45356-9313

For sale: peel-off vinyl, royal blue square and compass decals designed to fit on your license plate or window: 2 inches high, 1 inch wide. 6 vinyl decals for \$5.00, postpaid. Joe Allen, P.M., Sec.; Cochran Masonic Lodge No. 217, F & AM.; PO Box 732; Cochran; GA 31014

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

Rising Sun Lodge No. 13, Kansas City, Missouri, is celebrating 150 years of Freemasonry in Platte County. This Lodge did not shut its doors during the Civil War. For sale are coins, one and a half inches in diameter and in antique bronze satin finish, \$7.00 each, pp., and books of history which will come later. Marvin G. Shall, 2304 N.E. Shady Ln, Gladstone, MO 64118

Bucyrus Lodge No. 139, F. & AM., Bucyrus, Ohio, is upgrading its computer system. We would like to buy a CD of Masonic clip art for use in newsletters and notices. Please advise of price, including shipping. William Ten Eyck, 1303 N. Sandusky Avenue, Bucyrus, OH 44820-1329

Canton Lodge No. 98, A.F. & A.M., Arp, Texas, has its sesquicentennial anniversary celebration coins for sale: silver, shinning bronze, and bronze. They are \$21.00, \$9.00, and \$6.00 respectively, including postage. Face has "Canton Masonic Lodge No. 98, A.F. & A.M." with the letter G, square and compass on the representation of the state of Texas. Reverse side has the columns, taper, All-seeing Eye, altar, and square and compass. Send check or MO to Canton Masonic Lodge No. 98, PO Box 238, Arp, TX 75750. We appreciate your support!

Piedmont Lodge No. 447, F. & A.M., Atlanta, Georgia, has had a coin struck to celebrate its 100th anniversary. The coin is available in either antique bronze, \$6.00, or antique silver, \$15.00, including shipping and handling. One face of the coin has the All-seeing Eye, the square and compass, and the working tools of a Mason. The reverse side has "Piedmont Lodge No. 447, F. & A.M., Atlanta, GA, 100 years' and "1902-2002." Send check or MO to Edward A. Radatz, Sr., PM; 2921 Birchwood Way, S. W; Marietta; GA 30060-5133

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. Also available: the four immortal chaplains lapel pin, a beautiful pin honoring the chaplains who sacrificed their lives by giving up their lifejackets in order to save the lives of others. The price per pin is \$5.00 ea. including S & H 10<sup>1</sup>b of proceeds will benefit the KTEF. New item. Sept. 11 Memorial Masonic lapel pin, \$5.00 each, including S & H - to commemorate members who lost their lives in terrorist attack - proceeds to New York Grand Lodge WTC Disaster Fund and KTEF. S. Kenneth Baril, 6922 Royal Green Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45244, (513) 232-6989

For sale: The Medal of Honor The Letter G in 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. Books may be obtained by contacting Macoy Publishing & Masonic Supply Co., P.O. Box 9759, 3011 Old Dumbarton Rd., Richmond, VA 23228-0759, (804) 262-6551. The price is \$16.95 plus S & H. Author's portion of profits donated to KTEF.

Wanted: Masonic Chapter pennies by avid collector. I have been building this collection for 29 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 Rd, No. 214; Tucson; AZ 85705; (520)888-7585

York Rite Mason seeking Masonic pen pal. Also, wanting information on the history of the Order of the Amaranth. Andrew Wishart, 26 Lawson Gardens, Kirkcaldy, Fife, Scotland, UK KY1-2DH.

For sale: hardbound book on Masonry, A Survey of the History and Mysteries of Freemasonry. The book is 322 pages, indexed, contains a bibliography of 99 sources, and makes liberal

use of footnotes. It also contains a 114-page glossary of Masonic words and terms. Written, published, and financed by Robert L. Breeding; it can be obtained from him only. Price is \$20.00 plus \$3.00 postage and handling. % to KTEF. Check or MO to Robert L. Breeding at 405 Ascot Ct, Knoxville, TN 37923-5807. e-mail rbreed4217@aol.com. Telephone (865) 539-9932

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New novelty book available: Pythagoras, This Cross Is for You, by Past Master and Past Commander Jack N. Barricklo - \$6.00 each, pp. "For the serious Craftsman with short history, illustrations, and instruction by the 'Master' himself." % of profits will go to KTEF. (Please write "KTEF" in memo.) Checks payable to Ourland Enterprises, and send to Ourland Enterprises, 8631 McDade, Houston, TX 77080-4321

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