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**Grand Commandery Knights Templar
Of Indiana
November 2011**

Greetings Sir Knights and Ladies:

Happy Thanksgiving!



“Love doesn’t make the world go ’round. Love is what makes the ride worthwhile.”• F.P. Jones

November Birthdays:

Phillip W. Stroud, 64, 11/1

Lady Donna Clutter, widow of Willard R. Clutter, PGC, PDC, 11/1

Rev. Janice Yvonne Akers-Du Bois, wife of Brian Du Bois, Rec. 15, 11/2

Burnell R. Davis, Rec. 20, 11/4

Lloyd E. Atterson, Sr., Rec. 67, 11/5

Rodney A. Mann, KCT, PGC, 11/6

Lady Deborah Bolinger, wife of James Bolinger, GSW, 11/6

Bradley Wooten, 39, 11/8

Lady Lynnette Wilber, lady of Kurt Begue, GW, 11/9

Ryan J. Lentz, 1, 11/10

Dwight E. Lanman, Jr., KCT, PGC, 11/14

David C. Willoughby, GS, 11/16

Lady Barbara Kester, wife of Mark A. Kester, Sr., Rec. 16, 11/15

Christopher Hodapp, 11/17

Michael F. Robbins, 42, 11/19

Lady Elizabeth Reich, wife of Jeffrey Reich, Rec 57, 11/20

Kevin Scott, 62, 11/24

Lady Doris Fowler, wife of Phillip E. Fowler, PGHP, Rec 23, 11/25

Gerald W. Cook, 28, 11/25

Lady Karen Ingles, wife of George A. Ingles, Jr., KCT, PGC, 11/28

Wayne G. Williams, Rec. 1, 11/28

Bobby J. Roberts, VEDGC, 11/28

Philip E. Fowler, PGHP, Rec. 23, 11/30

November Anniversaries:

Lin & Ann Tornese, 11/1

Michael & Cynthia Virgin, 11/15

Joseph & Alene Haydock, 11/15

Lawrence & Claire Williams, 11/17

Charles & Brenda Combi, 11/21

Herbert & Loretta Roach, 11/26

“Simple can be harder than complex: You have to work hard to get your thinking clean to make it simple.”

- *Steve Jobs*

If I have your birthday or anniversary wrong or if it is missing, please contact me at Grandrecorder@aol.com or by snail mail to Larry Kaminsky, P.O. Box 1690, Highland, IN 46322

Sickness & Distress:

Marion Crum: Carolyn Flick talked to Iris Crum this evening. Marion's pacemaker surgery went just fine. Of course they are keeping him in the hospital overnight expects to come home tomorrow, Wednesday, 10/5 - his voice sounded strong this evening according to Carolyn - thanks for all the prayers for Marion. I am sure he would appreciate cards from everyone interested - his address is Marion Crum, 446 Archway Drive, Franklin, IN 46131. Just letting you all know it's hard to keep a great man down. Thanks, Marilyn

Jerry Deeter, GPE: had surgery on Tuesday, October 4th and is recovering well. He is at the IU Medical Center in Indianapolis in Room 3819. He is expected to go home next week. Let's keep Jerry in our prayers. Larry W. Brown, PGC

Bev LaHurreau: I took Bev to the hospital today, October 6, 2011 and she underwent a heart catheterization. They found a blockage and put in a stent. She is resting now and should be released tomorrow around noon. Hank LaHurreau, PGC

James Daugherty, II, our MEGHP's mother was rushed to the hospital yesterday with what they thought was a stroke. They conducted several tests, and decided it was not a stroke, and sent her home last night. This morning she had more problems, and they figured out she had 2 very small strokes between yesterday and today. They say she has a great shot at full recovery (95%), but she does have a few complications they need to deal with. If everything goes good, She'll be heading home Monday.

Update 10/27: We have a wonderful follow-up. Jim's mother was given one of the new drugs used to treat stroke patients. It worked. Then a treatment was performed because the blood thinner caused bleeding into one of her eyes. Again, modern science came in and through a procedure the bleeding was stopped, thus saving her sight. She spent a couple of nights in the hospital and then went home. She has some physical therapy to build herself back up as she did at first experience some paralysis in her hand, but that was almost completely remedied by the medications. These new drugs used for stroke treatment are truly amazing. Thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers. S & F,
Darrell Hook

EC Stephen Korman is home recovering from surgery.

Donald L. Borchert, GPE underwent hip replacement surgery 10/28.

Update 10/30/2011: Don has all tubes removed. Pain meds down to pills now, was up in chair for 2 hours; then up again for about a half an hour. Only a few baby steps taken. He is only allowed to put 10% of his weight on his right leg for 6 weeks with walker. Then 6 weeks with cane. Tomorrow should be a full therapy day. Doc was not happy that they didn't have him up walking more. Nurses were though! So far the pills have been working for pain, we'll see tomorrow. Also his temp he was running broke. Mickey

Larry Kaminsky: As many of you know, this has not been a good year for me. I ended up back in the hospital again, this time with a pretty serious case of pneumonia. After having a couple of bleeding polyps cauterized, I got feverish and lethargic. My family took me to the emergency room where I was later admitted. Within 12 hours, I was moved to intensive care where I was given 3 pints of blood and I think every antibiotic that was ever invented. Anyway after about 4 days in ICU, I turned the corner by breaking my fever and have been slowly improving since. I am home now and taking it easy. I went to the doctor last week and he says I still have some pneumonia in my right lung, so I have to be careful.

John Bridegroom, Arch 1 Officer Grand Council just found out that his youngest daughter, Phoenix has leukemia. Things took a bit of a bad turn last night... Her blood pressure spiked, and heart rate was a little irregular... This is a huge concern because she has some leukemic intrusions in her brain, and they are very concerned about hemorrhaging and other pressure issues. They delayed the spinal chemo today, and sedated her more to calm things down. They are adjusting all her fluids, all trying to manage the pressure on her brain. She is still very critical... The next 24 hours are going to be very tense, and she will be critical at least till the end of the week. She is currently on a ventilator at Riley's Children's hospital in Chicago. Please say a prayer for them tonight!

Update 10/26/2011: Phoenix was diagnosed with leukemia type A.L.L. pre B over yesterday and today. She was in very bad shape at Porter's E.R. and had some bleeding in her brain, which is why they airlifted her to Riley's children's hospital, which is where we will remain. She is unconscious and on a ventilator, and we are still waiting for her to wake up. In the meantime her white blood cell count has been brought down from 1 million to 325,000, and they began her chemotherapy tonight. She got an MRI today to see how her little brain is doing. We will know more tomorrow. John Bridegroom

Update 10/26/2011 8:30 PM: Phoenix is responding well to her chemo & her white cell count has been brought down from 1million to 166,000. She is stabilizing and has made it thru another busy & rough day. Her "labs" are giving her doc results that he described as "perfect". She is receiving blood, platelets, and many other drugs & fluids, is still heavily sedated and on the vent. Her brain condition is still our primary concern but we are pleased with the way today turned out. The love you all have been sending her is unbelievable. I am so overwhelmed and thankful. Tammy

Update 10/27/2011 11 AM: Although Phoenix is still sedated and on a ventilator, and we are still dealing with blood and brain pressure issues, some things are showing improvement. Her white cell count had dropped further to 96,000, and the swelling is less than yesterday. The doctors are very pleased by this and say her vitals are good right now. Please be vigilant in your prayers along with us, that we may surmount this critical phase. John

Update 10/28/2011 8 AM: We don't expect to have any significant updates till next week, because the plan is to keep Phoenix resting and calm through the weekend, but her new white cell count is 7,900 which is a normal number! Though she is still in critical condition and has many challenges before her, this is a sign that the treatment is beginning to work. Thank you all for your continued prayers for our little angel! John

Update 10/29/2011 11AM: Phoenix is still resting and healing under heavy sedation and ventilation. She is responding fabulously to her chemo treatments so far. Blood pressure and heart rate are making the doctors happy today. They are trying to get some nutrition into her via a feeding tube which should help her stay strong. If all of her vitals stay stable the doctors would like to attempt to wake her on Monday to determine her neurological status. Keep the prayers coming and I believe they are working. Her name is Phoenix Faith, and that must mean something. Tammy.

Update 10/29/2011 5 PM: John Bridegroom wrote about an hour ago. Sorry that it has been quiet from us for a bit. But that's a good thing! Phoenix has been very stable for a couple days now, and that has been the immediate goal. Her White Blood Cell count continues to drop, and her vitals are still good. We have backed off on a lot of her sedation, and some medications that are no longer needed. She is at risk for infection, so they are watching that very closely and giving her antibiotics. They are going to try to wake her up soon, to see how well she can handle things on her own. They need to see how well her neurological functions are operating. This next step will be very important and I am sure very hard for her and us. We are encouraged though, as all of her bodily functions are working well and today she moved some, and coughed, which made everyone happy. Thank you, everyone, for caring so deeply for our daughter, and praying for her recovery. We are so blessed, and in this long journey we will need both your love and God's grace.

Update 11/1/2011: John Bridegroom wrote 45 minutes ago: Hello everyone. I just wanted to give you another update on Phoenix. Things are still going well, she received more chemo today and her vital signs all continue to be stable. They are weaning her off the ventilator, which may take a week or two, and backing off of the sedation to try and wake her up. They need to see how she responds neurologically at this point, looking for her to breathe on her own, and respond to our voices. We are optimistic... it just all takes time. She is showing no signs of infection yet, and if that continues they will be able to back off of the antibiotics. Lots of little improvements, and she blinked, moved her head, mouth and arms yesterday. She is losing her first tooth, naturally and unrelated, so it looks like the tooth fairy might need to make a visit to Riley's. :) There are still some issues with her eyes, but we are unsure what it means in the long run. Hopefully it can all correct itself if the Leukemia is treated fully. Thank you for your concern... hopefully this all goes well and we can eventually get her onto the Oncology floor and out of ICU... Again, you are all amazing and Tammy and I cannot ever express what your love and support has done for us and Phoenix. God bless you all.

Virgil Humphrey: Had my recent PSA test and my count is 0.0!! Have a doctor appointment on the 17th of October to see what is next for us. Thanks for all your prayers during the last few months!!

Indiana Death Notices:

Dorothy L. "Dot" Stevens: This is to let you know that my mother passed away yesterday morning at 8:45 am. The funeral arrangements are as follows: October 8, 2011 in the Rybolt Chapel, Needham-Storey-Wampner Funeral Home 314 N Washington St., Swayzee, IN; Mapquest: <http://mapq.st/o0N877> 12:00 Viewing - 1:00 Funeral Service; Burial at Thrailkill Cemetery, located 4 miles north of Swayzee. John V. Stevens, PGC

Jeff Reagin, recorder of Seymour Commandery, lost his father this past month.

Eye Foundation:

New Albany Commandery No. 5, Knights Templar; October 17, Monday at 7:30 PM. Stated meeting. Pitch in Dinner at 6:30 PM and Ladies are always welcome for the Dinner. At our last meeting we had the Reception for our Grand Commander SK Paul A. Cole. There was a special presentation regarding the KTEF. RE Grand Generalissimo GE-USA, SK Duane Vaught was there to speak about the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and to present a Grant for research to Mr. Tim Corson from Indiana University. We also had present SK David D. Goodwin REDGM GE-USA and SK Robert K. Cronk REDC East Central GE-USA. Among other guest we had present the immediate past Grand Commander of Kentucky, SK Archie Smallwood, and the new RE Grand Commander of Kentucky, SK George F. Brooks. Fraternally, Terry Kehrer

Directory Changes:

Important Dates:

Indy AASR November Stated Meeting & Program 7 PM

Anderson #32: Open reception, Ladies invited: Meal 6:30 PM (E); Reception 7:30 PM (E)

Bedford #42/Bloomington#63: Inspection on the Order of the Temple at 9:30 AM (E); Meal 12:00 Noon (E); Reception 1:00 PM (E). Open Inspection, Ladies Invited

Connersville #6: Open reception, Ladies invited: Meal 6 PM (E); Reception 7 PM (E)

Raper #1: Open reception, Ladies invited: Meal 6 PM (E); Reception 5 PM (E)

Richmond #8: Open reception, Ladies invited: Meal 6:30 PM (E); Reception 7:30 PM (E)

Indianapolis Valley of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite will hold a Convocation Banquet.

There will be a bake sale for John and Tammy Bridegroom for their daughter Phoenix (5 years old), the bake sale will be held at: Porter Masonic lodge, 113 1/2 Lincolnway, Valparaiso, IN, 46383 ([map](#)), on Saturday Nov 19th from noon –5:00 pm anyone who would like to bake goodies and desserts and donate them to the bake sale. Please contact my wife Sheila during the day @ 219-707-0748 or after 5:30 pm contact her @ 219-733-0036, or you can email her at sheerar2404@aol.com. All proceeds collected from the bake sale will go directly to the Bridegroom family to help them through this difficult time. For those who are not aware of what is going on, see sickness and distressed above. Richard Minton

Baldwin #2: Inspection on the Order of the Temple at 2 PM (E); Meal 5 PM (E); Reception 6 PM (E); Open Inspection, Ladies Invited

Indianapolis Valley of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite will have a fall Convocation.

H. E. Lackey #67: Open reception, Ladies invited: Meal 6 PM (E); Reception 7 PM (E)

New Albany #5 Inspection on the Order of the Temple at 7:30 PM (E); Eat at 6:30 PM (E)

At or near 10:00 AM the Nativity Scene is erected at the IMH under the leadership of the Grand Senior Warden. The ladies accompanying the Sir Knights usually go inside the Admin Building and gather while the Nativity Scene is erected outside. When completed, everyone participating comes to the Rainbow Girls Camp for the Holiday Party.

Grand Commandery Christmas Party at the Rainbow Girls Camp in the Lodge Building, State Route 252 & Co. Rd. South 700 W, Edinburgh, Indiana 46124; Casual Attire; Please Bring a Covered Dish or Dessert for the Meal and a Wrapped Gift for Our Traditional Christmas Exchange. And – Please don't forget – to bring canned goods for donations to the needy. Please RSVP by November 14th 2011 to: Paul Cole, GC. E-mail: pcole@lightbound.com or Call: 317-753-5553

Frankfort #29: Inspection on the Order of the Temple at 2 PM (E); Reception following O.T.; Meal 5 PM (E); Open Reception, Ladies invited

Indy AASR Children's Christmas Party 2 PM

Indy AASR December Stated Meeting - Table Lodge Format 6:30 PM
Reservations are required.

“Perhaps too much of everything is as bad as too little.”• Edna Ferber

Around the Encampment:

Albert R. "Al" Masters, Jr., January 20, 1927 – September 30, 2011; Newton, Iowa; Sir Knight Albert R. Masters, Jr., of Newton, passed away early afternoon Friday, September 30, 2011. He was a Grand Recorder

Emeritus, and Past Grand Commander 1971 of Grand Commandery KT of Iowa, as well as a Grand Encampment Past North Central Department Commander. There will be public Masonic Services at 6 pm on Friday, Oct. 7, followed by family visitation until 8 pm, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home 1115 E. 19th St. N, Newton, Iowa 50208.

Website: wallacefamilyfuneralhome.com. The Christian Funeral Service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 8, also at the Wallace Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the Newton Union Cemetery, 1600 W 4th St N in Newton. Please keep Sir Knight Al's family and friends in your prayers. Willard Loper, PGC Grand Recorder, Grand Commandery KT of Iowa

SK Harry R. Houston, REPDC of Washington passed away on Saturday 1 October 2011 in Bremerton, WA. SK Harry was also the Past Intendant General RCC for Washington, Past Chief Adept SRICF and a recipient of the KGC and Past Excellent Chief of Clontarf Council No 69 Knight Masons. Thank you. Fraternaly, Joe MacIntyre Condolences can be sent to Bett Houston, 2070 NE Oriole Way, Bremerton, WA 98311-3941.

SK Wilfred T Dow, PMEGHP: of WI, 2000-2001, passed away on Wednesday 5 October 2011. Memorial Contributions to the 501c3's of RARA and or the Royal Arch Foundation of Wisconsin, Inc., 36275 Sunset Dr, Dousman, WI 53118 in his name would be appropriate and appreciated. Condolences may be sent to 300 Hendricks St., Waterloo, WI 53594 Penciled in - Church Services to be held in the afternoon on Saturday 5 November followed by a Masonic Service at the United Methodist Church in Waterloo. More will be known after all family members have been contacted. Parker Dow

SK Burt Eaton, PMIGM 1999 Oregon passed away on October 19, 2011. His funeral will be 10 AM Friday October 28th at the Church on the corner of 16th & Patterson. Eugene, OR. Dalvin

John F. Kirby, PGC Kentucky, age 84, of Danville, KY, passed on to eternal life, October 26, 2011, at his home with family and friends present. John was a master mason in Franklin Lodge No. 28, June 5, 1958 and served Chapter No. 4 as high priest and as illustrious master in 1971. He created a knight Templar in Ryan Commandery No.17, April 27, 1961. He served this Commandery as commander in 1973, and was life sponsor in the Knight Templar Eye Foundation. He was also a 33 degree Covington Scottish Right of Free Masonry. He served as Grand Commander of Knight Templar of KY 1995-1996, was an honorary member of 6 "Out of State" Commanderies. He initiated into the shrine in Oleika Temple, Lexington, KY in 1961, and is a charter member of the Ritual Team. He also served on the appointed divan as Shrine Club Coordinator in 1968-1969 and served as an aide to the potentate in 1970, 1971, and 1972. He was a member of the Wilderness Shrine Club and served as President in 1967. He was social chairman for many years, Holy Order of High Priesthood, Daniel Boone Chapter No. 512, National Sojourners, KYCH, and Blue Grass York Rite College No. 104. He was a member of the Centurion Tabernacle LXXVI, Saint Barnabas conclave Red Cross of Constantine and Order of Purple Cross. He served as General Grand Secretary of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International and Manager of Education Business for 12 years. He was also a Kentucky Colonel.http://web1.lovinghonors.com/cgi-bin/CompanyInternal?stdout+115+stithfuneralhome.net+1770+4+9103:Lcqi_html/

Jeff W. Hodges, Past Grand Commander 2009 of Georgia passed away Friday afternoon about 3:00 PM. No plans at this time. Body will be at Paterson Spring Hill Funeral home in Atlanta. S&F, Andy Lovas

Norval W. Stewart, PGC, Nebraska, 1974. Born: July 10, 1914 Died: October 29, 2011 at Lincoln, Nebraska. He was High Priest of Lincoln Chapter No. 6 in 1960 and Commander of Mt. Moriah Commandery No. 4 in 1964. He was a 60 year member in all three bodies. He also was a life member of Chapter, Council and Commandery. Funeral services: Monday, October 31, 2011, 10:30 a.m., Butherus-Maser & Love Mortuary, Lincoln, Nebraska. Memorials: Memorials may be sent to the Shrine Hospital. Condolences may be sent to: Butherus, Maser & Love Mortuary, 4040 A St. Lincoln, NE 68510.

Think about it:

Layman's 10 Commandments

- 1] Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out when in trouble, but it is a "steering wheel" that directs the right path throughout the journey.
- 2] So why is a car's windshield so large & the rear view mirror so small? It is because our PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, Look Ahead and Move on.
- 3] Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes a few minutes to burn, but it takes years to write.
- 4] All things in life are temporary. If things are going well enjoy it, they will not last forever. If they are going wrong, don't worry, they can't last long either.
- 5] Old Friends are Gold! New Friends are Diamond! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a Base of Gold!
- 6] Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, sweetheart, it's just a bend, not the end!"
- 7] When GOD solves your problems, you have faith in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your problems HE has faith in your abilities.
- 8] A blind person asked St. Anthony: "Can there be anything worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes, losing your vision!"
- 9] When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them, and sometimes, when you are safe and happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.
- 10] WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's TROUBLES it takes away today's PEACE.

Sahara Grotto

Grand Master's One Day Masonic Lodge/ Sahara Grotto Membership Class

Saturday 11/05/2011

Location: 7620 Madison Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46227

Cost: Grotto only \$35.00

7:30 AM	Registration
8:30 AM	Mooreville Lodge #78 Entered Apprentice Degree
10:30 AM	Southport Lodge #270 Fellowcraft Degree
12:15 PM	Lunch Break
1:20 PM	Prospect Lodge #714 Master Mason Degree
4:15 PM	SAHARA GROTTTO CEREMONIAL
5:30 PM	Social Hour
6:30 PM	Dinner

Contact Person: Andrew R. Jackson, (317) 888-9868 or indianatemplar1@gmail.com

Please Pre-register, both Candidates and Mentors with Andy so we can prepare for your Class.