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## View From the Top

by Robert M. Zweiman, National Commander

First of all, a word from our sponsor - the momentum continues from our Centennial - two upcoming events are in the offing. The first takes place on the July 4th weekend when we open up our Uriah P. Levy exhibit with a trip up to Monticello - join us in a very exciting exhibit of a Jew who rose to the rank of Commadore after six court-martials because he was a Jew. And, then on August 24th, we have our National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee where country music will play to a countrywide Jewish organization dedicated to Jewish Pride and American Patriotism.

In going around the country, I hear continual comments about the difficulty in attracting members, I keep mentioning the membership category of Associate Member and find it as though no one ever heard or thought about it as part of membership solicitation. So, here goes - read Article IV of the JWV Constitution, Section 3 which provides as follows:



photo by Gary Garrison

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ARTICLE IV Membership. Section 3. Associate Membership.

*Any person who is a citizen of the United States of America, and of the Jewish faith, not otherwise eligible to Active Membership, shall be eligible for Associate Membership and shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of active members, except as a delegate of any echelon, provided he or she qualify as follows: a) Who, during the time of any war, campaign or conflict in which the United States of America was an active participant, was a member of the armed force of any country allied to the United States of America in that war, campaign or conflict, provided such applicant was honorably discharged from such conflict, provided such applicant was honorably discharged from such service; b) Who, having served in the armed forces of the United States of America, on active duty during a time other than as provided for in the eligibility provisions of National By-laws, was honorably discharged from such service.*

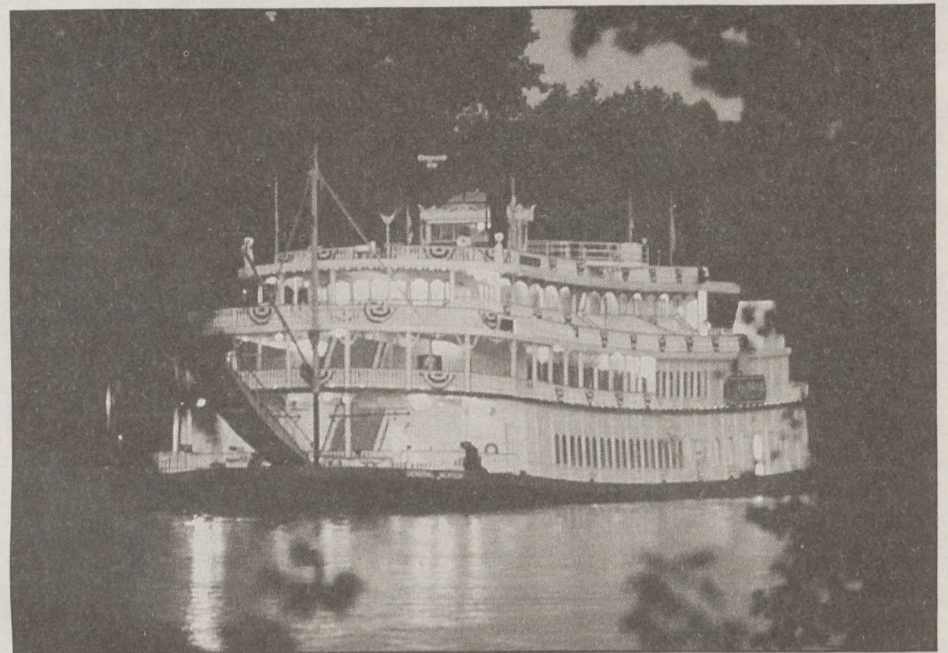
So, now what excuse can you use - there is no reason why you can not go out and bring in members - both active and associate - as well as patrons. And,

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## NASHVILLE ...



*The General Jackson is only one of the many attractions that Nashville has to offer. Turn to pages 11-14 for more photos of Nashville plus schedules and forms for our 102nd National Convention.*

## 12th Allied Veteran Mission to Israel

by Milton Klein, Past Department Commander, Michigan

On March 23, 1997, ten veteran leaders representing AMVETS (Frank Krzesowik, PDC), Alan Bowers (DAV, Dept. Commander), T. Fisher Craft (Sons of the American Revolution, State President), Emmett Benjamin, (National Board of Directors, Korean War Veterans), Antonio Morales (National Executive Director, American G.I. Forum - U.S.), George Duggins (National President, Vietnam Veterans of America), Jerome Lake (New York State President, Korean War Veterans) Bennett Sparks (Member, California Veterans Board), Salvatore LoSauro (Past State Commander, DAV) and I, Milton Klein, PDC of JWVUSA, along with wives Ruth Klein, Pat Krzesowik, Theresa Bowers, Mary Lake and Elizabeth Sparks met at Kennedy Airport in New York to begin our Mission to Israel. We became friends immediately as we were all on our way to experiencing the trip of a lifetime.

I passed out name tags to everyone in our group. They had our JWV logo on

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*Pictured are the participants of the Twelfth Allied Veterans Mission to Israel. Back Row (L-R) - Frank Krzesowik, Antonio Morales, George Duggins, T. Fisher Craft, Emmett Benjamin, Salvatore LoSauro, Jerry Lake, Ruth Klein, Bennett Sparks, Milton Klein, Alan Bowers. Front Row (L-R) - Mary Lake, Elizabeth Sparks, Patricia Krzesowik, Theresa Bowers.*

**Uriah Levy**

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