



# *Ordo Templi Orientis United States Grand Lodge Annual Report*

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*Anno IVxviii*

*Fiscal Year 2010*

*(March 2010 - February 2011)*

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✿ *Mysteria Mystica Maxima*

✿ *Ecclesia Gnostica Catholica*

*Annual Report of the  
United States Grand Lodge  
of Ordo Templi Orientis  
Fiscal Year 2010*

*Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.*

Ordo Templi Orientis (O.T.O.) is an international religious and magical initiatory fraternity open to both men and women. O.T.O. was founded in Germany and England in the early part of the 20th century, and was incorporated as a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization in California in 1979. It is currently organized in 30 countries, with Grand Lodges in the United States, England, and Australia, and 155 official bodies worldwide. Ordo Templi Orientis is the first of the traditional esoteric fraternities to accept the Law of Thelema, the religious revelation obtained by Aleister Crowley in 1904. It still operates by the original charters, constitutions, documents and principles established during its formative years.

The U.S. Grand Lodge of O.T.O. and M.:M.:M.: (U.S.G.L.), also known as Ordo Templi Orientis U.S.A., or O.T.O. U.S.A. (<http://oto-usa.org>), is a duly chartered Grand Lodge and National Section of Ordo Templi Orientis, chartered by Ordo Templi Orientis International Headquarters on March 30th, 1996. It is a tax-exempt, non-profit religious organization incorporated on June 20, 1996 under the laws of the State of California. O.T.O. U.S.A. was incorporated for the purpose of the preservation and advancement of the religious tenets, doctrines, principles, teachings, traditions and rites of Ordo Templi Orientis, and all its funds are irrevocably dedicated to furthering that purpose.

U.S.G.L. is the most populous and active national section of O.T.O., with 57 local bodies in 25 states as of February 2011. Each local O.T.O. body interfacing with the public in the United States is designated as a Camp, Oasis, or Lodge, depending on its size and level of activities. Although there is often much interrelating between local bodies, each operates independently yet answers directly to the national government of U.S.G.L.

Specific local bodies (Oases and Lodges) provide ceremonial initiation into the first series of degrees of O.T.O. Most local bodies also regularly perform an O.T.O. ritual called the Gnostic Mass. This ritual is described in our system as “the central ritual of the O.T.O. both public and private”, and is presented under the auspices of the Ecclesia Gnostica Catholica, the Gnostic Catholic Church, which is the ecclesiastical aspect of O.T.O.

Most local bodies also offer public classes, workshops and book studies that usually cover a wide range of Thelemic and esoteric/occult subject matter. Some of these may include various aspects of the theory and practice of Thelema, Qabalah, Yoga, Ceremonial Magick, Hermetic Science, Tarot, Astrology, Alchemy, Mythology, Comparative Religion, and the history and structure of O.T.O., as well as various Thelemic celebrations, rituals, rites and holidays that assist and support the development of Thelemic community.

This fiscal year, our membership grew by 60 members, a 5% increase.

We have continued to implement the programs and services offered to our members according to the goals set forth in our 2007 strategic plan. Notably, the USGL Library has been moved to a location where it will be physically accessible to members by appointment. The review of the Strategic Plan was delayed last year, but proceeds apace, and we currently expect a revised strategic plan to be available by NOTOCON.

Our annual joint meeting of governing bodies was held over the weekend of July 17–18, 2010 E.V. at Star Sapphire Lodge in Southern California. This year, we will hold our annual joint meeting of governing bodies at our eighth biennial national convention (NOTOCON) in Detroit, Michigan, over the weekend of August 5–7, 2011 E.V.

In the following paragraphs, you will see our Statements of Mission, Program, Vision, and Values. These statements were developed as part of our 2007 strategic planning process, incorporating principles from the original constitutions, documents and principles developed during the founding and initial growth of Ordo Templi Orientis. They form the basic plan from which our strategic plan was built, and offer a concise view of the direction we have charted for the near future of U.S.G.L.

*Love is the law, love under will.*

Fraternally,



Sabazius X°  
National Grand Master General  
Ordo Templi Orientis U.S.A.

## *M*ission Statement

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Ordo Templi Orientis U.S.A. is the U.S. Grand Lodge (National Section) of Ordo Templi Orientis, a hierarchical, religious membership organization. Our mission is to effect and promote the doctrines and practices of the philosophical and religious system known as Thelema, with particular emphasis on cultivating the ideals of individual liberty, self-discipline, self-knowledge, and universal brotherhood. To this end, we conduct sacramental and initiatory rites, offer guidance and instruction to our members, organize social events, and engage in educational and community service activities at locations throughout the United States.

## *P*rogram Statement

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1. To create, maintain, and promote a structured society of men and women within the United States of America, who are united by their acceptance of the Law of Thelema, by a common interest in Magick, Yoga, and Hermetic Science, by the common experience of ceremonial initiation and sacramental ritual, by common pledges of fidelity, cooperation, and mutual aid, and by certain common ideals, namely: individual liberty; self-discipline; self-knowledge; universal brotherhood; and opposition to tyranny, superstition, and oppression.
2. To manage and govern this society in substantial conformance with the principles set forth in the writings of Aleister Crowley and other historical leaders of Ordo Templi Orientis, with the approval and under the authorization of the International Headquarters of Ordo Templi Orientis, and in such a way as to ensure its continued survival and promote its continual growth and advancement.
3. To provide certain benefits to the members of this society, including, but not limited to: participation in sacramental rituals; social community and entertainment; pastoral guidance and mediation of disputes; instruction in Hermetic Science, Yoga, and Magick; and opportunities for creative expression, community service, and development of beneficial social and professional relationships.
4. To preserve and advance the principles and practices of the religious, philosophical, and magical system of Thelema, and to promote the principles of individual liberty and universal brotherhood.
5. To conserve and manage books, documents, and other properties of historical or practical value which it may possess.
6. To establish physical centers of activity for the society in diverse locations throughout the United States of America.

## *V*alues Statement

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1. We support the liberty of the individual and the cultivation of self-respect, self-knowledge, self-discipline, and self-responsibility.
2. We affirm the bonds of fraternity and expect fidelity, frankness, cooperation, mutual aid, and good faith among our members.
3. We value hospitality in our community and promote peace, tolerance, truth, and respect to the Order within our temples and precincts.
4. We advocate the principles of Scientific Religion and Universal Brotherhood, and oppose tyranny, superstition, and oppression.
5. We accept and uphold the Law of Thelema as promulgated in the Book of the Law and the writings of the Prophet of the Aeon, Aleister Crowley.

## *V*ision Statement

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1. We envision OTO USA as a model religious and fraternal order of occult initiates, and a leading proponent of Thelemic thought and culture within the United States.
2. We will maintain a physical presence near every major population center in the country, from which we will offer services in support of our mission to our members and to the public.
3. We will uphold the highest standards of excellence and effectiveness in the practice and dissemination of our religious, spiritual, magical, and ethical teachings.
4. We will espouse and defend the principle of individual liberty while cultivating strong fraternal bonds within our ranks.
5. We will foster harmonious and constructive relationships with the academic, business, civil, and greater social communities within which we operate.

## Initiations

Minerval .....	180
I° .....	105
II° .....	63
III° .....	42
IV° .....	23
Perfect Initiate .....	23
Knight of the East and West .....	11
V° .....	5
Knight of the Red Eagle .....	5
VI° .....	6
Grand Inquisitor Commander .....	4
Prince of the Royal Secret .....	0
VII° .....	0

## Initiators

New Initiators ..	8
Attrition ..	0
Total Initiators .....	174
<i>Change from last fiscal year (%)</i> .....	4.8

## Local Bodies

Local Bodies as of 28 February 2011 .....	57
Camps .....	11
Change from FY09.....	0
Oases .....	21
Change from FY09 .....	-2
Lodges .....	11
Change from FY09 .....	1
Chapters .....	14
Change from FY09 .....	0
New .....	5
Closed .....	6
<i>Change from last fiscal year (%)</i> .....	-1.7

## E.G.C.

Gnostic Masses reported (Oases and Lodges only, per criteria) .....	687
<i>Change from last fiscal year (%)</i> .....	13.93
Gnostic Masses reported (including Camps) .....	749
Baptisms reported .....	139
Confirmations reported .....	95
Deacon Ordinations reported .....	24
Priest Ordinations reported .....	10
Priestess Ordinations reported .....	2
Weddings reported .....	3
Bishop Consecrations reported ..	0

† Includes E.G.C. ceremonies performed in FY09 but not reported until FY10.

## Classes

Total number of classes offered .....	1174
<i>Change from last fiscal year (%)</i> .....	17.99

## Grand Lodge Events

Annual joint meetings of governing and administrative bodies:	16-18 July 2010, Burbank, CA Hosted by Star Sapphire Lodge
Electoral College Meetings:	16 April 2010 at Alombrados Oasis, New Orleans, LA 17 July 2010 at Star Sapphire Lodge, Burbank, CA 16 October 2010 at Dove & Serpent Oasis, Atlanta, GA 8 January 2010 (on-line)
Kaaba Colloquium Workshops:	15-16 May 2010, Horizon Oasis, Seattle, WA 6-7 November 2010, Heru-Behutet Oasis, Kansas City, MO

## Initiator Training

Initiator Training sessions:	26 June 2010, Heru-Behutet Oasis, Kansas City, MO 7 August 2010, Sekhet-Maat Lodge, Portland, OR 11-12 December 2010, William Blake Lodge, Baltimore, MD
Advanced Initiator Training sessions:	28-29 August 2010, Aum Ha Lodge, Chicago, IL

## Publications

U.S.G.L.:	<i>Agapé</i> <i>The Eucharist</i> <i>The Pelican</i>
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Local Body (Twelve local bodies with active, regular publications):

Scarlet Woman Lodge	<i>The Scarlet Letter</i>	Onnophris Oasis	<i>Old Hoosier Thelemite</i>
Sekhet-Maat Lodge	<i>Lion &amp; Serpent</i>	Sekhet-Bast-Ra Oasis	<i>Ophiuchus</i>
Tahuti Lodge	<i>The Scroll of Thoth</i>	AHBH Camp	<i>Thirteen</i>
Thelesis Lodge	<i>Behutet</i>	Subtlety or Force Camp	<i>Doomsayer's Digest</i>
Coph Nia Oasis	<i>The Wand</i>	Aum Ha Lodge	<i>Current</i>
Horus Oasis	<i>The Other Eye</i>	Swirling Star Oasis	<i>The Chariot</i>

## Library

Number of Titles .....	1,479
Number of Titles Acquired this Year .....	44
Status of Lending Program: Fully activated for lodge masters and members of the VI° and above.	

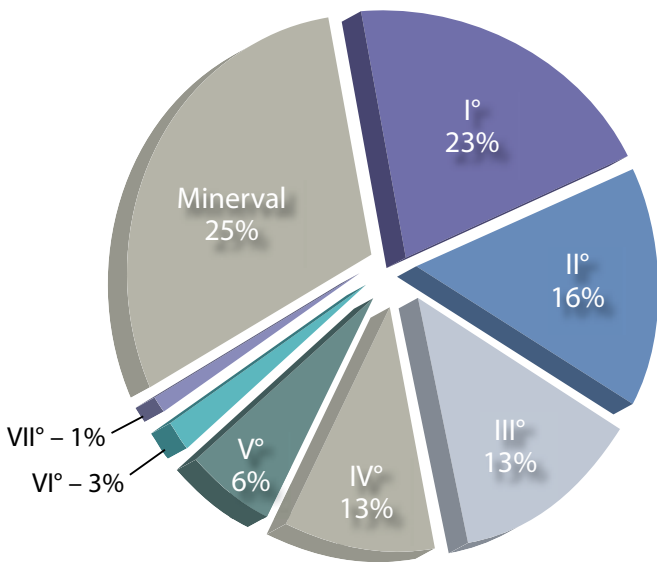
*We always welcome literary donations; Grand Lodge has an Amazon.com Wish List and also accepts donations directly from members and friends.*

# Membership

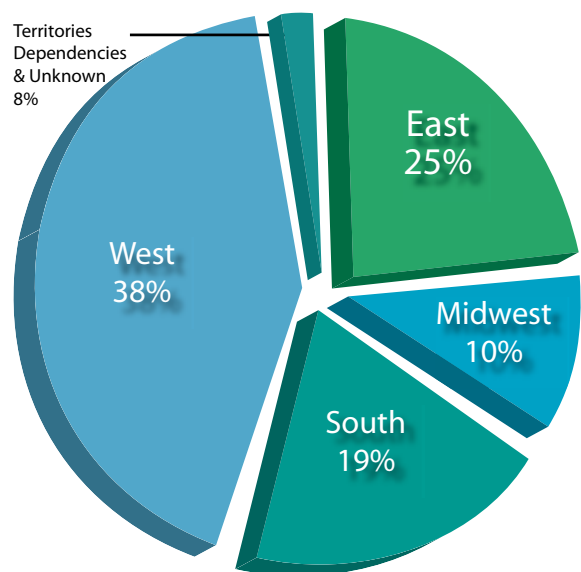
Active members as of Feb 28, 2011 .....	1,216
Minervals .....	304
Full members .....	912
Active members change from last year .....	60 (5%)
Active membership change from U.S.G.L. founding .....	133 (12%)
New U.S.G.L. membership .....	252
Number of new Minervals* .....	201
Re-admissions ( <i>requiring Executive approval</i> ) .....	1
Reactivations ( <i>not requiring Executive approval</i> ) .....	49
Moved to U.S.G.L. jurisdiction .....	1
Attrition: .....	192
Moved from U.S.G.L. jurisdiction .....	0
Inactivated .....	181
Demitted Minervals .....	75
Inactivated full members .....	106
Resigned .....	11
Expelled .....	0
Deceased .....	0
Correction to prior year membership count .....	
Bad Reports .....	5
Bad Reports lifted .....	0
Suspensions.....	1

\* Includes Minervals performed in FY09 but not reported until FY10

**USGL Membership by Degree**  
(as of February 28, 2011 e.v.)



**USGL Membership by Region**  
(as of February 28, 2011 e.v.)



**Region Key**

- West: AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY.
- East: CT, DC, DE, IN, MA, MD, ME, MI, NH, NJ, NY, OH, PA, RI, VT.
- South: AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TN, TX, VA WV.
- Midwest: IA, IL, KS, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD, WI

*Finances*

Income:	
Dues.....	\$47,870
Initiation Fees.....	30,284
Conference Fees.....	5,700
Sales.....	4,675
Training Fees.....	3,260
Other.....	1,500
Donations.....	1,215
Total Income.....	\$94,504
Expenses:	
Local Body Subsidies.....	\$29,374
Administration.....	16,748
Program Expenses.....	45,172
Local Development.....	38,521
Internet.....	1,800
Agape.....	1,681
Conferences.....	1,171
Quartermaster.....	1,059
Library.....	940
Total Expenses.....	91,294

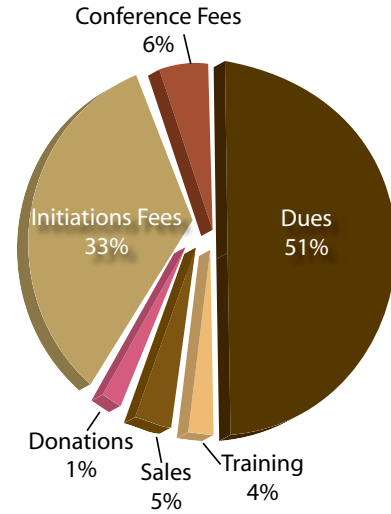
Net Income for year ending February 28, 2011.....\$3,210

Assets:	
General Fund.....	\$23,261
Temples & Regalia.....	17,390
Archives.....	13,748
Building Fund.....	5,482
Real Estate.....	5,000
Inventory.....	4,337
Office Equipment.....	3,972
Total Assets.....	\$73,190

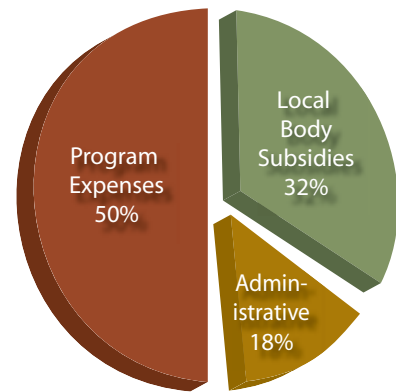
Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable.....	13,738
Net Assets.....	\$59,452

*Detailed membership data and financial statements are available upon request from the Grand Treasurer General.  
Ordo Templi Orientis U.S.A. is a non-profit religious organization, tax-exempt under IRS Code 501(c)(3).  
Donations, gifts, and bequests are fully tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.*

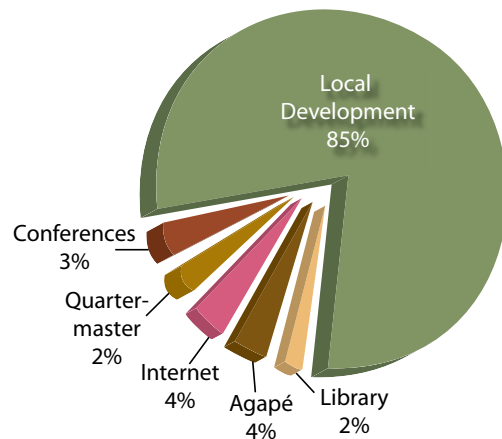
**USGL Sources of Income**  
(March 2010 – February 2011 e.v.)



**USGL Expenses**  
(March 2010 – February 2011 e.v.)



**USGL Program Expenditures**  
(March 2010 – February 2011 e.v.)



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