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IN THE
Supreme Court of the United States

October Term, 1971

No. 70-75

MOOSE LODGE No. 107,

Appellant,

v.

K. LEROY IRVIS, *et al.*

ON APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES
DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE
DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE BRIEF
AMICUS CURIAE

and

BRIEF FOR BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE
ORDER OF ELKS OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA AS *AMICUS CURIAE*

ARGUMENT IN SUPPORT OF MOTION

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America hereby respectfully moves for leave to file a brief *amicus curiae* in this case in support of appellant, as provided under Rule 42, Subsection (3), of the Rules of this Court.

The consent of the attorneys for the appellant has been obtained. The consent of the attorneys for the appellee was requested, but refused.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the

United States of America was incorporated in 1895, under appropriate sections of Federal statutes, in the District of Columbia, for benevolent, charitable, educational and literary purposes, and has continued in existence since that time. The total membership of the Order, as of March 31, 1971, was 1,520,731, with 2,164 Lodges, designated as "Subordinate Lodges", located in all of the States and in Puerto Rico, Panama Canal Zone, Guam and the Philippines.

There are 135 Subordinate Lodges in the State of Pennsylvania, with a total membership of 96,343. These Lodges, located in various cities and towns in Pennsylvania, range in size from 32 members to 2,344 members.

The basic issue posed by this case is of deepest concern to all American citizens, whether members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks or not.

That issue is the right of individual American citizens to form private organizations, and, as members of such organizations, to determine their own associates and membership requirements and being free to enjoy these rights socially, without being compelled to exchange these constitutional rights as a prerequisite or condition to enjoying the benefits conferred by a license from the State.

Counsel for appellant have dealt with the constitutional and legal questions involved in an admirable manner, so this brief will be confined solely to factual matters.

Appellant will necessarily concentrate on the particular facts in its own case. In the brief hereby tendered with this motion, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will present facts not covered by either appellant or appellee, in a much broader and more generic fashion.

It is essential that the present uncertainty as to the applicable law be settled. The continued testing (by individuals, legislative bodies, on both sides of this issue) of the constitutional rights involved should be set at rest. The uncertainty now existing has resulted in multitudinous countercharges, threats and litigation, which, if continued, will result in permanent harm to the welfare of all peoples, communities and the nation. This source of potential community tension should be eliminated.

The attached brief, we submit with the sincere hope that it will be of assistance to the Court.

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

In addition to the questions presented in appellant's brief (pp. 2-3), *amicus curiae* wishes to present the following questions for the Court's consideration:

Whether a Federal Court can constitutionally require a private group to forfeit its constitutional right to determine its members as a prerequisite for licensing by a State.

Whether the constitutionally protected right of privacy and free choice of association is so universally practiced and enjoyed by all citizens that it should be free from legislative, administrative or judicial erosion in the area of social rights or activity.

INTEREST OF *AMICUS CURIAE***The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Would Be Vitally Affected by a Broad Sweeping Opinion of This Court Directed Toward the Granting or Denial of Liquor Licenses by a State Agency Based Upon the Requirement That Individuals Barter Away Their Constitutional Rights as a Prerequisite to Such Licensing**

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, hereinafter referred to as the “Elks”, has been in existence for more than 103 years as a private fraternal organization. It was incorporated under appropriate sections of Federal statutes, in the District of Columbia, in 1895, with its purposes stated as being benevolent, charitable, educational and literary, and has continued in existence since that time. The total membership of the Order, as of March 31, 1971, was 1,520,731, distributed among 2,164 Lodges, designated as “Subordinate Lodges.” These Lodges are located in various cities and towns having a population of 5,000 or more in all of the States. There are also Lodges located in Guam, Panama Canal Zone, The Philippines and Puerto Rico.

Typically, these Lodges enjoy the conviviality of the use and consumption of liquor.

There are 135 Subordinate Lodges in the State of Pennsylvania, with a total membership of 96,343. These Lodges are located in various cities and towns in Pennsylvania and range in size from 32 members to 2,344 members. All of these Lodges have complied with the regulations of the Pennsylvania State Liquor Control Board, insuring that the primary purpose of licensing is to assure that the private clubs are in fact private.

No one has a right to become a member of the Elks.

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In order for a person to become a member, he must be proposed by other members. His application is thereupon referred to an investigating committee, which conducts an investigation, usually including a personal interview of the applicant.

After receipt of the application, the membership of the Lodge is notified of the application, and such application is voted upon at a regular meeting of the Lodge. Voting is by secret ballot. A vote of three of the members against the application will prevent the applicant from being accepted into membership.

The membership qualifications are as follows:

1. The applicant must be an American citizen.
2. Applicant must be a white male, at least 21 years of age.
3. He must be of good moral character.
4. He must express belief in God.
5. He must pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and subscribe to an oath requiring him to uphold and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States.

The Elks have no restriction as to the guest or spouse of a member.

Typically, in all Elks Lodges the use of the club facilities is limited to members, family of members and guests of members.

The facilities of all Elks Lodges are controlled by the membership.

All Elks Lodges are nonprofit organizations and do not seek public patronage.

There is a second Elks organization, known as the “Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World.” This Elks organization was founded in 1898 and has approximately 450,000 members, with 1,500 Lodges in the various States, with the greatest number in the eastern and southern States. Its membership is composed largely of (1) American citizens, (2) black males over 21 years of age, (3) professing a belief in God, and (4) of good moral character.

Typically, these Lodges also enjoy liquor licenses issued in accordance with the laws of the various States in which the Lodges are located.

Although the By-Laws of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World do not restrict their membership to those of the black race, as a matter of membership policy and personal choice of the members, the Order has been so limited.

Both Elks organizations have lived in harmony and with mutual respect for each other since their respective foundings.

There is no relationship or connection between the Elks of the United States and the organization sometimes designated as the “Canadian Elks.”

A. The Basic Constitutional Right of Privacy and of Private Association Claimed by the Members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks for Themselves and for all Americans Is Being Challenged.

Counsel for appellant refers to Chapter 371 of the Maine Laws of 1969 (p. 104, App. Br.).

This statute provides as follows:

“No person, firm or corporation holding a license under the State of Maine or any of its subdivisions for the dispensing of food, liquor or for any service or being a State of Maine corporation or a corporation authorized to do business in the State shall withhold membership, its facilities or services to any person on account of race, religion or national origin, except such organizations which are oriented to a particular religion or which are ethnic in character.”

Purporting to act under the authority granted to them under the provisions of this statute, the Maine Liquor Commission proceeded to cancel licenses for all of the Elks Lodges in the State of Maine. This action was challenged, and the matter is now pending before the Courts of that State.

Various cases in Maine include:

B. P. O. E. No. 2043 of Brunswick, Cumberland County, et al. v. Ingraham, et al.—Superior Court, Cumberland County—Civil Action Docket No. 71-3.

B. P. O. E. No. 1293 of Gardiner, Maine v. Ingraham, et al.—Supreme Judicial Court—No. 1328. (By stipulation this has been consolidated with above-entitled case.)

B. P. O. E. Portland Lodge No. 188 v. Maine State Liquor Commission, et al.—Superior Court, Cumberland County—Docket No. 71-20.

The first of the series of actions which have been instituted, challenging these constitutional rights, was that of *Gerber, et al. v. Hood, et al.*—Civil No. 7701, W.D. Wash. N.D.—which is presently pending before a three-judge Federal Court.

Gerber, et al. v. Hood, et al. is a class action, commenced by several plaintiffs, seeking to enjoin the Washington

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State Liquor Control Board from issuing or renewing liquor licenses to private clubs with restrictive membership clauses or membership practices on a basis of race, religion or national origin. The action further seeks to require the Liquor Control Board to revoke all licenses heretofore issued to such organizations.

The Elks intervened in the action on behalf of the 42 Subordinate Lodges of the Order in the State of Washington.

The Court granted the motion to intervene because of the relief sought against revocation of all liquor licenses for these Lodges.

The action further names the three larger fraternal organizations in Washington—*i.e.*, the Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Loyal Order of Moose.

The *Gerber* case has apparently served as the model for litigation which has been instituted in other States, which include:

1. Actions involving attempted revocation and denial of liquor licenses on grounds of racial membership qualifications:

Revere Lodge No. 1171, B. P. O. E. v. Miller, et al.—Commonwealth of Massachusetts Superior Court, Suffolk County—Docket No. 91901.

Revere Lodge No. 1171, B. P. O. E. v. Miller, et al.—Commonwealth of Massachusetts Superior Court, Suffolk County—Equity No. 93413.

Human Relations Insight League, et al. v. Cheslak, et al.—State of Nebraska District Court of Lancaster County—No. 268-156.

2. Action seeking to eliminate tax exemption status and

to revoke liquor licenses on grounds of racial and sex membership qualifications:

Lovell, et al. v. Nutley Lodge No. 1290, B. P. O. E., et al.—Superior Court of New Jersey—Law Division, Essex County—Docket No. L-7042-70 P.W.

3. Actions seeking to eliminate tax exemption status on grounds of racial qualification in membership:

McGlotten v. Kennedy, et al.—U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia—Civil No. 3377-70 (three-judge Court).

Pitts, et al. v. State of Wisconsin, et al.—U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin—Civil No. 69-C-260.

B. Attempts Have Been Made in State Legislative Bodies to Curtail, Limit and Erode the Basic Human Rights Guaranteed by the First Amendment.

Various State Legislatures have been petitioned for enactment of legislation similar to the Maine statute referred to above, including:

Alaska: Proposed legislation that would have denied liquor licenses to organizations having restrictive membership clauses or practices did not pass.

Connecticut: Proposed legislation by State Senate that would have eliminated licenses for food, liquor or any service to any person, firm or corporation with restrictive membership clauses failed to pass.

New Mexico: Proposed legislation that would have prohibited issuance of State liquor licenses to private clubs, etc. that discriminate because of race, religion, sex or national origin failed to pass.

Oregon: Proposed legislation by State which would have eliminated the tax exempt status and liquor licenses

of organizations having restrictive membership clauses, and other legislation which would have limited activities of such organizations, failed to pass.

Washington: Proposed legislation which would have eliminated all licenses to organizations having restrictive membership clauses did not pass.

In addition to the foregoing, it is understood that legislation is pending in the Legislatures of the States of California and Michigan.

ARGUMENT

A. The Constitutional Right of Individuals to Choose Their Own Social Intimates so as to Express Their Own Preferences and Dislikes and to Fashion Their Private Lives by Forming or Joining a Club Is an Aspect of the Basic Constitutional Right of Privacy and Private Association That Is of Paramount Importance to all Americans

“In no country in the world has the principle of association been more successfully used or applied to a greater multitude of objects than in America.”¹

“The Americans of all ages, all conditions and all dispositions constantly form associations. They have not only commercial and manufacturing companies in which all take part but associations of a thousand other kinds, religious, moral, serious, futile, restricted, enormous, or diminutive. The Americans make associations to give entertainments, to found establishments for education, to send missionaries to the antipodes. Wherever at the head of some new undertaking you see the government of France or a man of rank in England, in the United States you will be sure to find an association.” (Alexis de Tocqueville—1805-1859)²

1. de Tocqueville, Alexis, *Democracy in America* (Knopf: New York, 1948), I, p. 191.

2. *Encyclopedia of Associations* (Gale Research Company: Detroit, 1970).

The principal and indeed the only major source of detailed information concerning nonprofit American membership organizations of a national scope will be found in Gale's *Encyclopedia of Associations*.

There are more than 36,000 various associations, societies, fraternal and patriotic organizations, and other types of groups consisting of voluntary members.

Research reveals that many of these groups limit their membership on the grounds of race, religion, sex or national origin, either by their membership qualifications or by the practices of the members. A listing of these follows, and wherever possible the date of the founding of the organization and approximate number of members are given.

Non-member organizations, trade and business groups, agricultural, scientific, educational, governmental and public administration, military and naval organizations, social welfare, health and medical, public affairs, horticultural, hobby and avocational, athletic and sports organizations, labor unions and Chambers of Commerce have been eliminated from the lists prepared for the Court in this brief.

There is a definite overlapping of the categories set forth. No organization is listed more than once, even though it might conceivably fall in more than one classification.

The Court could well take judicial notice of the fact that many persons are members of more than one organization. We find that Elks are also members, for example, of religiously oriented groups such as B'nai B'rith and Jewish War Veterans, Knights of Columbus and Catholic War Veterans, the Masons and American Legion and Vet-

erans of Foreign Wars, as well as the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Sons of Italy, Sons of Norway, the Swedish Club, the Polish National Alliance and many other organizations with “mutual heritage in national origin.”

Those organizations having selective membership qualifications or practices limited to Jewish have been listed under the combination of Race and Religion, but the Court’s attention is directed to pages 80-82 of Appellant’s Brief, where this problem is more fully discussed. We do not profess to be more learned than others in resolving this problem, but rather, have arbitrarily selected this classification while being well aware of its complexity.

B. Organizations That Have Selective Membership Qualifications or Practices Based Upon:

1. *Race, Religion and Sex:*

Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine

(32nd Degree Masons)
F. 1893—M. 20,000

Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots (AEOS)

(Blue Lodge Masons)
F. 1911—M. 3,000

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America (BPOE)

F. 1868—M. 1,520,731
(In all States of U.S., as well as Guam, Panama Canal Zone, the Philippines and Puerto Rico)
State Associations: 48—Subordinate Lodges: 2,164

B’nai B’rith Women (Jewish) (BBW)

F. 1897—M. 135,000
Local groups: 915

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Convent General of the Knights York Cross of Honour
(Honorary degree conferred on Freemasons)

F. 1930—M. 8,100

State/Province Priorities: 64

Daughters of the Nile, Supreme Temple
(Mothers, wives, sisters, daughters and widows of
Shriners)

F. 1913—M. 71,000

Local groups: 129

Degree of Pocahontas, Improved Order of Red Men
(Women's auxiliary of IORM)

F. 1885—State groups: 40

Fraternal Order of Eagles, Ladies Auxiliaries

F. 1927—M. 175,000

State groups: 36—Local groups: 1,310

General Conference of Grand Courts Heroines of Jericho,
Prince Hall Affiliation, U.S.A.

(Women's auxiliary to General Grand Conference Holy
Arch Masons of America—affiliated with National Council
of Negro Women)

F. 1922—M. 20,500

General Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star

F. 1876—M. 3,000,000

Grand Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles (FOE)

F. 1898—M. 825,000

State groups: 50—Local Aeries: 1,600

Great Council of U.S. Improved Order of Red Men

(Fraternal society of white American citizens)

F. 1765—M. 70,000

State groups: 52—Local groups: 1,442

Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America
(Jewish)

F. 1912—M. 300,000

Local groups: 1,300

Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the
World (IBPOEW)

F. 1898—M. 450,000 (estimated)

Local groups: 1,500

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Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America (AAONMS)
 F. 1872—M. 863,065
 Local Shrine Temples: 170

International Order of Job's Daughters, Supreme Guardian Council
 (Girls between ages of 12 and 20 who are related to Master Masons)
 F. 1920—M. 150,000
 State and Regional Councils: 46

Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A.—National Ladies Auxiliary

Knights of the Golden Eagle (KGE)
 F. 1873—M. 20,000
 State groups: 5—Local Chapters: 126

Knights of Pythias
 F. 1864—M. 200,000
 State groups: 55—Local groups: 2,000

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)
 (Fraternal society of Negro Roman Catholic men)
 F. 1909—M. 17,000
 State groups: 6—Local groups: 250

Knights Templar, Grand Encampment, U.S.A.
 (Masonic Order)
 F. 1816—M. 386,000

Loyal Orange Ladies Institution
 F. 1876—M. 2,443
 State and local Lodges: 80

Loyal Order of Moose (LOM)
 F. 1888—M. 1,096,070
 State groups: 36—Local Lodges and Chapters: 3,860

Ladies Oriental Shrine of North America (LOS of NA)
 F. 1914—M. 24,000

Masonic Service Association of the United States (MSA)
 F. 1919—M. 43

- Mizrachi Women's Organization of America
(Jewish) (MWOA)
F. 1925—M. 50,000
Regional groups: 9—Community Councils: 10
Chapters: 330
- National Association Legions of Honor
(NALOH) (Shrine)
F. 1931—M. 10,000 (estimated)
Shrine Temple Units: 50
- National Black Sisters Conference (NBSC)
F. 1968—M. 200
- National Federation of Buddhist Women's Associations
F. 1952—M. 7,000
- National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (NFJMC)
F. 1929—M. 85,000
Local groups: 365
- National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods
(Jewish) (NFTB)
F. 1923—M. 65,000
Regional Councils: 16—Local Brotherhoods: 460
- National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods
(Jewish) (NFTS)
F. 1913—M. 100,000
Districts: 15—Local Sisterhoods: 620
- National League of Masonic Clubs (NLMC)
F. 1905
- National Sojourners
(Past or present commissioned officers and warrant officers of uniformed forces of U.S. who are Master Masons)
F. 1918—M. 10,443
Local Chapters: 210
- National Women's League of the United Synagogue of America (Jewish) (NWL)
F. 1917—M. 200,000
Regional branches: 28—Local Sisterhoods: 765
- Order of the Golden Chain
(Female relatives of Masons and Master Masons)
F. 1929—M. 10,000
National Links: 39

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Order of DeMolay

F. 1919—M. 165,000 (1965)

Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem

(Primarily women relatives of Master Masons)

F. 1909—M. 180,303

Shrines: 846

Philalethes Society (Masonic)

F. 1928

Pioneer Women, The Women's Labor Zionist Organization
of America (Jewish)

F. 1925—M. 45,000

Councils: 31—Local clubs: 500

Prince Hall Masonry

(Negro Masonry)

F. 1787—M. 312,000

In 35 States, Canada, Liberia and Nassau

Royal Order of Scotland (Masonic) (ROS)

F.—M. 3,200

Sons of Jewish War Veterans of the
United States of America

Supreme Assembly, International Order of Rainbow for
Girls (SAIORG)

(Ritual based on 9th chapter of Genesis)

F. 1922—M. 1,300,000

Local assemblies: 1,900

Supreme Caldron, Daughters of Mokanna (D of M)

(Order for women relatives of Mystic Order Veiled
Prophets of the Enchanted Real members)

F. 1919—M. 8,088

Subordinate Caldrons: 57

Supreme Council 33° Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite
of Freemasonry (Southern Masonic Jurisdiction)

(AASR-SMJ)

F. 1801—M. 530,000

Consistories: 207

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Supreme Council Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of
Freemasonry (Northern Masonic Jurisdiction)
(AASR-NMJ)

F. 1813—M. 510,938

State groups: 15—Local groups: 118

Supreme Council, Mystic Order Veiled Prophets of En-
chanted Realm (MOVPER)

(Fraternal fun Order for Blue Lodge Masons)

F. 1890—M. 100,000

State groups: 18—Local Grottoes: 198

Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum (SCRA)

(Fraternal benefit life insurance society)

F. 1877—M. 38,000

State groups: 25—Local groups: 330

Supreme Emblem Club of the United States

(Women relatives of members of B.P.O.Elks)

F. 1926—M. 40,000

State Associations: 12—Local Clubs: 448

Supreme Temple Order Pythian Sisters

(Knights of Pythias)

F. 1888—M. 95,000

State groups: 46—Local groups: 1762

Tall Cedars of Lebanon

(Master Masons)

F. 1902—M. 50,000 (1965)

Forests: 100

United Order True Sisters (Jewish) (UOTS)

F. 1846—M. 13,000

Chapters: 48

Universal Craftsmen Council of Engineers (UCCE)

(Masonic)

F. 1903—M. 4,790

State groups: 40—Local groups: 2

2. Race and Religion:

Black American Baptist Churchmen (BABC)

F. 1968—M. 327

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- Catholic Interracial Council of New York
- Ku Klux Klan
 - F.: First Klan: 1865; Second Klan: 1915;
 - Third Klan: 1954
- National Committee of Black Churchmen (Civil Rights)
 - F. 1966—M. 250
 - Regional groups: 5
- National Negro Evangelical Association
 - F. 1963—M. 20,000
- Order of Amaranth (O of A)
 - (Masons and their wives, mothers, daughters, widows and sisters)
 - F. 1873—M. 95,231
 - State groups: 35
- Royal Neighbors of America (RNA)
 - (White men and women—Bible readings, prayers)
 - F. 1895—M. 390,263
 - State groups: 44—Local groups: 6,257
- Sons and Daughters of Liberty
 - (White, native born Protestants)
 - F. 1915
- Union of Black Clergy and Laity of the Episcopal Church (UBCL)
 - F. 1968—Local Chapters: 15

3. Race and Sex:

- Acacia
 - (Sons and brothers of Masons; young men recommended by Masons)
 - F. 1904—M. 22,000 (1965)
- American Fraternal Union (AFU)
 - F. 1898—M. 25,016
 - State groups: 142
- Ancient Mystic Order of Samaritans (AMOS)
 - (Fun Order of Independent Order of Odd Fellows)
 - F. 1902—M. 5,953

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Chinese Women's Association (CWA)

F. 1932—M. 460

Girl Friends, Inc.

(Negro professional women)

F. 1927—M. 500 (est.)

Chapters: 25

Imperial Court, Daughters of Isis

(Fraternal and charitable organization of women)

F. 1910—M. 7,000

Local groups: 145

Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF)

F. 1819—M. 1,200,000

International Association of Rebekah Assemblies,

IOOF (IARA)

(Women's auxiliary to IOOF)

Maccabees, The (TM)

F. 1878—M. 263,841

Lodges: 797

Modern Woodmen of America (MWA)

(Fraternal benefit life insurance society)

F. 1883—M. 450,000

Local camps: 3,000

National Association of College Women (NACW)

F. 1923—M. 1,300

Local groups: 52

National Association of Colored Women's Clubs
(NACWC)

F. 1896—M. 100,000

State groups: 42—Local Clubs: 2,000

National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century

F. 1915—M. 5,200

State groups: 32—Local groups: 153

National Women's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand
Army of the Republic

F. 1883—M. 34,000

State Departments: 33—Local Corps: 830

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Order of United Commercial Travelers of America
(Fraternal benefit organization)

F. 1888—M. 248,000

Regional groups: 32—Local groups: 680

United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC)

F. 1894—M. 35,000

Local groups: 1,000

4. *Race:*

(a) *Black and Indian*

African Nationalist Pioneer Movement (ANPM)

F. 1941

Afro-American Patrolmen's League (AAPL)

F. 1968—M. 1,200

Association of Interracial Marriages (AIM)

F. 1969—M. 40

Biafra Students Association in the Americas

F. 1967—M. 3,000

Local branches: 50

National Black Anti-War Anti-Draft Union (NBAWADU)

F. 1967

National Conference of Black Elected Officials (COBEO)

F. 1967—M. 1,500

North American Indian Association (NAIA)

F. 1940—M. 135

Pan African Students Organization in the Americas

F. 1961—M. 200

Tribal Indian Land Rights Association (TILRA)

F. 1960—M. 62,000

Local Chapters: 23

Universal African Nationalist Movement (UANM)

F. 1946—M. 4,000

State groups: 10—Local groups: 22

(b) *Yellow*

There are over 130 various Chinese clubs, associations or Tongs, of which very little is known. One writer has expressed it:

“The greatest gap in information about secret societies is for the years since 1910. Much more investigation of the modern period is needed. Research on Chinese secret societies is impeded by the desire of the societies to conceal their true nature and by the general suspicion and distrust with which researchers, especially white researchers, are regarded.”¹

It is not known what the by-laws of these groups are, but their membership practices are well defined.

The largest single family is probably the Wong family, with an estimated membership in the United States of 15,000 to 17,000.²

There are apparently 34 associations called the “Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association,” with an estimated membership of 60,000.³

Gales’ Encyclopedia of Associations, 6th Ed. (1970) does not list these organizations because they have been unable to obtain any information concerning either the date of their founding or the membership.

The following list was obtained only through a search, conducted locally, in the major cities of the United States. Some of these appear to be benevolent groups, as well as social; others appear to have some religious qualifications

1. Lyman, Stanford M., *The Asian in the West*—Social Science and Humanities Publication No. 4 (Western Studies Center, Desert Research Institute, University of Nevada System: Reno and Las Vegas, (1970)

2. Kung, Shien-woo, *Chinese in American Life: Some Aspects of Their History, Status, Problems and Contributions* (University of Washington Press: Seattle, 1962), p. 222

3. *Ibid*, p. 220

for membership, including Protestant, Catholic, Buddhist and others. Practically all are limited to male members only. However, in view of the paucity of information, we have listed them all together in this category, which seems to be their basic membership qualification.

Chinese American Citizens Alliance

Chinese Laundry Association
F. 1932—M. 1,000

Chinese Women's Association
F. 1932—M. 460

Nippon Club (Japanese)
F. 1914—M. 1,722

Rho Psi
(Chinese fraternity)
F. 1916—M. 580

Bing Kong Tong

Chew Lun Association

Chew Lun Lin Yu Association

Chong Sen Benevolent Association

Chu Association

Chung Lee Club

Chung Yuen Club Inc.

Eng Family Benevolent Association

Eng Kuan Kai Associates

Gee How Oak Tien Association

G'Way Sen Association

Gee Tuck Tong Association

Hip Sing Association, Inc.

Hip Wah Hing

Ho Yuen Club

Hop Wo Benevolent Association

Hok San Society
Hoy On Association
Hoy Ping Benevolent Association
Hoy Sun Ning Yung Benevolent Association
Jack Sen Tong Association
Jan Ying Benevolent Association
Jungs Association
Kin Fook Association
Kong Chow Benevolent Association of Southern
California, Inc.
Kow Kong Benevolent Association
Kuo Min Tong
Kwong Hoy Association, Inc.
Lee Association of Chicago
Lee Gin
Lee Onn Dong Association
Leong Chung How Association
Lim Family Association
Lum Sai Ho Association
Lung Kong Tin Yee Association
Mar Family Association
Mow Fong Young
Mon Sang Association
Moo Kai Association
Moy Shu Dung Kung Shaw
Ngi Yeh
Ning Kue Kung Wui Association
Oak Tin Association, Inc.
On Ping

Ong Ko Met Association
Quans Family Association
Sam Kiang Charitable Association
Sam Min Association
Sam Yick Benevolent Association
SamYup Benevolent Association
Sing Keong Association
Soo Yuen Benevolent Association
Suey Sing Tong
Sun We Association, Inc.
Tom Gar Kung Soo
Tseng Sum Sing Association
Tsung Tsin Association
Tung Goon Association
Tuna Hwa Association
Tung On Association, Inc.
Tung Sen Association
Way Ben Association
Wong Family Benevolent Association
Woo Family Welfare Association
Yan Wo Benevolent Association
Yee Fong Toy Association
Yee Ying Association
Yep Family Association
Ying Fat Yuen, Inc.
Ying On Association, Inc.
Young Wo Association

5. Religion and Sex:

American Association of Jesuit Scientists (AAJS)
F. 1922—M. 300

American Association of Women Ministers (AAWM)
F. 1919—M. 300

American Baptist Women (ABW)
F. 1951—M. 500,000
State groups: 36—Associations: 400
Local groups: 6,000

American Federation of Priests (Catholic) (AFP)
F. 1966—M. 31

American Lutheran Church Men
F. 1961—M. 70,000
Districts: 18—Conferences: 167
Local groups: 2,000

American Lutheran Church Women (ALCW)
F. 1960—M. 700,000
Districts: 18—Conferences: 160

Ancient and Illustrious Order Knights of Malta
(AIOK of M)
(Fraternal benefit life insurance society of Protestant
men)
F. 1842—M. 7,500
State groups: 5—Local groups: 60

Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers (Catholic)
F. 1881
Groups: 3,150—Local groups: 300

Brotherhood of St. Andrew (Episcopal)
F. 1883—M. 5,000
Chapters: 500

Catholic Association of Foresters (CAOF)
F. 1879—M. 44,428
Lodges: 302

Christian Brothers Education Association
(Catholic) (CEBA)
F.—M. 2,500

- Church Women United
 F. 1941—M. 10,000,000
 State groups: 51—Local groups: 2,400
- Catholic Central Union of America (CCUA)
 F. 1855—M. 44,000
 State groups: 8—Local groups: 321
- Catholic Daughters of America (CDA)
 F. 1903—M. 215,000
 State groups: 50—Local groups: 1,500
- Catholic Kolping Society of America
 F. 1928—M. 1,500
 Local groups: 13
- Catholic Women's Benevolent Legion
 F. 1895—M. 4,000
- Christian Business Men's Committee International
 (CBMCI)
 F. 1938—M. 15,000
- Christian Service Brigade
 F. 1937—M. 55,000 boys
 14,000 adult leaders
 Local units: 3,000
- Columbian Squires
 (International fraternity of Catholic High School boys)
 F. 1925—M. 19,000
 State groups: 56—Local groups: 750
- Dames of Malta (D of M)
 (Women's Christian fraternal organization)
 F. 1896—M. 9,518
- Daughters of Isabella, National Circle
 (Catholic Women's organization)
 F. 1897—M. 120,341
- Daughters of the King (Episcopal)
 F. 1885—M. 8,200
 Local groups: 440
- Eucharistic Guard for Nocturnal Adoration (Catholic)
 F. 1938—M. 4,350
 Local groups: 45

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- Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International
(FGBMFI) (Glossolalia)
F. 1953—M. 10,000
Local groups: 600
- Holy Name Society (Catholic)
F. 1274—M. 7,000,000 (estimated)
- International Grail Movement (Catholic)
F. 1928
- International Supreme Council of World Masons (ISC)
F. 1948—M. 24,000
U.S. groups: 50—Foreign groups: 32
- Knights of Columbus (K of C)
F. 1882—M. 1,173,597
State groups: 63—Local groups: 5,588
- Knights of St. John Supreme Commandery
(Catholic fraternal organization)
F. 1886—M. 8,700
State groups: 9—Local groups: 170
- Loyal Orange Association of British America
(ORANGEMEN)
F. 1867 (first U.S. Lodge)
- Lutheran Church Women (LCW)
F. 1962—M. 285,000
- Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML)
F. 1942—M. 210,701
State groups: 40—Local groups: 5,870
- National Association of Ministers Wives (NAMW)
F. 1941—M. 2,100
Local groups: 60
- National Association Priest Pilots (Catholic) (NAPP)
F. 1964—M. 150
Regional groups: 5
- National Catholic Women's Union (NCWU)
F. 1916—M. 30,000 (est.)
State groups: 12—Local groups: 259
- National Council of United Presbyterian Men (NCUPM)
M. 400,000 (est.)

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National Council of the Young Men's Christian Associations of the United States of America (YMCA)

F. 1839—M. 5,778,000

Regional Councils: 17—Local Associations: 1,839

National Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU)

F. 1874—M. 250,000

State groups: 60—Local groups: 6,000

National Women's Missionary Society of the Church of God

F. 1932—M. 35,000

State groups: 50

Nocturnal Adoration Society (Catholic) (NAS)

F. 1903—M. 100,000

Local Centers: 754

Order of the Alhambra

(Catholic men)

F. 1904—M. 13,500 (1965)

Patriotic Order Sons of America (POSA)

F. 1847

P.E.O. Sisterhood

F. 1869

Russian Orthodox Catholic Women's Mutual Aid Society

F. 1907—M. 2,390

Lodges: 58

Society of African Missions (Catholic)

F. 1856—M. 1,667

Superior Council of U.S. Society of St. Vincent dePaul

(Catholic)

F. 1833—M. 44,000

State groups: 46—Local groups: 4,900

Supreme Ladies Auxiliary Knights of St. John (Catholic)

F. 1900—M. 25,000 (estimated)

Local groups: 215

Wesleyan Service Guild (Methodist) (WSG)

F. 1921—M. 130,000

Regional groups: 94—Local groups: 5,847

Women in Community Service (Anti-Poverty) (WICS)

F. 1964—Local groups: 280

Women's International Religious Fellowship (WIRF)

F. 1959—M. 9;

Young Ladies Institute (Catholic) (YLI)

F. 1887—M. 16,500 (estimated)

Branches: 162

Young Men's Institute (Catholic) (YMI)

F. 1883—M. 5,900

State groups: 65

Young Women's Christian Association of the United States of America (YWCA)

F. 1855—M. 2,395,000

Local Units: 6,700

6. Religion and Ethnic or National Origin:

American Lithuanian Catholic Federation Ateitis

F. 1910—M. 3,200

Local groups: 31

American Lithuanian Roman Catholic Organists Alliance

F. 1911—M. 50

Local Chapters: 5

American Romanian Orthodox Youth (AROY)

F. 1950—M. 800

Local Chapters: 31

Association Canado Americaine (ACA)

F. 1896—M. 30,359

State groups: 6—Local groups: 72

Association of Evangelicals for Italian Missions (Baptist)

F. 1968

Association of Lithuanian Catholic Students Ateitis (SAS)

F. 1899—M. 375

State and Regional groups: 5—Local groups: 11

Association of Yugoslav Jews in the U.S.A.

F. 1942—M. 565

Ateitis Association of Lithuanian Catholic Intellectuals

F. 1920—M. 1,100

Local Chapters: 22

- Catholic Workmen
 F. 1891—M. 18,957
 State groups: 12—Local groups: 141
- First Catholic Slovak Union of the U.S.A. (FCSU)
 F. 1890—M. 104,000
 State groups: 19—Local groups: 1,260
- Hungarian Catholic League of America
 F. 1943—State groups: 15
- Italian Catholic Federation Central Council (ICF)
 F. 1924—M. 10,000 (estimated)
 Local groups: 125
- Knights of Lithuania (K of L)
 (Fraternal society of Catholic men and women of Lithuanian descent)
 F. 1913—M. 1,700
 Local Councils: 44
- Lithuanian American Roman Catholic Federation (LARCF)
 F. 1906—Local branches: 140
- Lithuanian Catholic Youth Association Ateitis
 F. 1910—M. 1,200
 Chapters: 36
- Lithuanian Roman Catholic Alliance of America (LRCA)
 F. 1889—M. 7,991
 State groups: 163—Local groups: 7
- National Alliance of Czech Catholics (NACC)
 F. 1917—Local Parish groups: 450
- National Union of Czechoslovak Protestants in America and Canada
 F. 1940—M. 200
 Regional groups: 5
- Polish Beneficial Association (PBA)
 F. 1900—M. 24,654
 Local groups: 132
- Slovenian Women's Union (SWU)
 (Catholic women and children of Slovenian ancestry)
 F. 1926—M. 13,000 (estimated)
 State groups: 105—Local groups: 3

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- Sons and Daughters of Malta (Maltese)
(Catholic Maltese-Americans)
F. 1946—M. 246
- Union of Polish Women in America (UPWA)
F. 1920—M. 9,379
District groups: 3—Local groups: 74
- Union Saint-Jean-Baptiste D’Amerique
F. 1900—M. 56,242
Local Councils: 198
- United Hungarian Jews of America (UHJA)
F.—M. 32,000 (estimated)
- World Federation of Hungarian Jews (WFHJ)

7. Religion:

- Action for Interracial Understanding (Catholic) (AIU)
F. 1950—M. 2,500
Regional groups: 2—Local Chapters: 20
- Agudath Israel of America (Jewish) (AIA)
F. 1921—M. 35,000
Local groups: 140
- Ambassadors of Mary (Catholic)
F. 1946—M. 45,000
- American Baptist Home Mission Societies
F. 1832
- American Bible Society (ABS)
F. 1816—M. 500,000
- American Biblical Encyclopedia Society (ABES)
F. 1930
- American Catholic Correctional Chaplains Association
F. 1952—M. 585
- American Church Union (Episcopal) (ACU)
F. 1938—M. 10,912
Chapters: 68—Branches: 29
- American Federation of Catholic Workers for the Blind
(AFCWB)
F. 1954—M. 71

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American Jewish Alternatives to Zionism (AJAZ)

F. 1969

American Jewish Committee (AJC)

F. 1906—M. 39,500

Chapters: 84

American Ministerial Association (AMA)

F. 1920—M. 6,288

State groups: 43—Local groups: 101

American Scientific Affiliation (ASA)

(Persons subscribing to the Christian faith who are professional workers in all fields of natural and social sciences.)

F. 1941—M. 1,650

Regional Chapters: 12

Angelic Warfare Confraternity (Catholic)

F. 1727

Apostolate of Suffering (Catholic)

F. 1926

Archconfraternity of Perpetual Adoration (Catholic)

F. 1893—M. 10,130

Armenian Church Youth Organization of America (ACYOA)

F. 1946—M. 1,000

Local Chapters: 38

Associated Catholic Laymen's First Friday Clubs

Association of Catholic Teachers (ACT)

F. 1956—M. 1,000

Association for Jewish Demography and Statistics—American Branch

F. 1957—M. 75

Association of Orthodox Jewish Scientists

F.—M. 900

Local groups: 12

Association of Marian Helpers (Catholic) (AMH)

F. 1946—M. 455,000

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Association of Romanian Catholics of America (ARCA)

F. 1948—M. 2,000

Local groups: 17

Baptist Bible Fellowship International (BBFI)

F. 1950—M. 1,000,000 (est.)

B'nai B'rith (Jewish) (BB)

(Jewish men, women and youth of good moral character.)

F. 1843—M. 500,000

State and Regional groups: 75

Local groups: 4,099

B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (Jewish) (BBYO)

F. 1924—M. 52,000

Local groups: 1,700

Bnai Zion (Jewish) (BZ)

(Fraternal benefit life insurance society of Jewish families.)

F. 1908—M. 24,000

State groups: 11—Local groups: 128

Bnei Akiva of North America (Jewish) (BA of NA)

(Religious Zionist youth movement.)

F. 1934—M. 6,000

Chapters: 30

Brith Abraham (Jewish)

(Fraternal organization of Zionists.)

F. 1887

Brith Sholon (Jewish)

(Jewish fraternal society for men and women 16 years of age and over.)

F. 1905—M. 20,000

State groups: 3—Local groups: 128

Campus Crusade for Christ

F. 1951—M. 1,500

Canon Law Society of America (Catholic) (CLS)

F. 1939—M. 1,100 (est.)

Catholic Accountants Guild

F. 1947—M. 200

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- Catholic Aid Association
F. 1878—M. 66,320
- Catholic Biblical Association of America (CBA)
F. 1936—M. 923
Local groups: 4
- Catholic Campus Ministry Association (CCMA)
F.—M. 1,300
- Catholic Family Life Insurance (CFLI)
F. 1868—M. 43,753
Local Chapters: 159
- Catholic Knights Insurance Society
F. 1885
- Catholic Knights of St. George (CKSG)
F. 1881—M. 16,000
State groups: 8—Local groups: 345
- Catholic Institute of the Food Industry (CIFI)
F. 1946—M. 550
- Catholic Institute of the Press (CIP)
F. 1944—M. 400
- Catholic Order of Foresters
F. 1883—M. 183,918
State groups: 28—Local groups: 1,251
- Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America
(Alcohol)
F. 1872—M. 70,000
- Catholics United for the Faith (CUF)
F. 1968—M. 8,500
Local Chapters: 26
- Catholic Writers Guild of America (CWGA)
F. 1919—M. 200
- Chinese Foreign Missionary Union (CFMU)
F. 1929—M. 10,000
Local groups: 18
- Christian Crusade
F. 1948—Supporting families: 250,000 (est.)
State groups: 40

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College Young Christian Students (Catholic) (YCS)

F. 1947—M. 2,000

Regional groups: 4

Committee of Concern (COC)

(Biracial organization of religious leaders, Catholic, Protestant and Jewish, in Mississippi.)

F. 1964

Committee of Southern Churchmen

F. 1964—M. 75

Conservative Baptist Association of America (CBAA)

F. 1947—M. 300,000

State groups: 32—Local groups: 85

Members of 1,510 churches

Croatian Catholic Union of the U.S.A. (CCU)

F. 1921—M. 13,000 (est.)

Crusade for a More Fruitful Preaching and Hearing of the Word of God (Catholic)

F. 1938

Czech Catholic Union (CCU)

F. 1879—M. 6,612

Local Lodges: 55

Damien-Dutton Society (Catholic) (DDS)

(Religious leaders and laymen and women interested in aiding victims of leprosy.)

F. 1944—M. 12,000

State groups: 50—Local groups: 6

Defenders of the Christian Faith

F. 1925—M. 150,000

Family Communion Crusade (Catholic) (FCC)

F. 1950

Federated Russian Orthodox Clubs (FROC)

F. 1927—M. 5,000

Regional groups: 12—Local Chapters: 170

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

F. 1954

- Franciscan Apostolate of the Way of the Cross (Catholic)
- Gideons International (GI)
 F. 1899—M. 28,000
 State groups: 43—Local groups: 1,074
- Greek Orthodox Youth of America (GOYA)
 F. 1951—M. 5,000
 Districts: 13—Local Chapters: 150
- Guild of Catholic Lawyers (GCL)
 F. 1928—M. 800
- Gustave Weigel Society (Ecumenical)
 F. 1966—M. 250
- Hashachar (Jewish)
 (Organization for Jewish youth, ages 9 to 25.)
 F. 1967—M. 10,000
 Regional Divisions: 18
- Hebrew Veterans of the War with Spain (Jewish)
 (HVWS)
 F. 1896—M. 85
- Ichred Habonim Labor Zionist Youth (Jewish)
 F. 1934—M. 2,000
 Local groups: 35
- International Catholic Auxiliaries (ICA)
 F. 1937—M. 250
- International Catholic Deaf Association (ICDA)
 F. 1949—M. 5,000
 Local Chapters: 97
- International Ministerial Federation (IMF)
 F. 1935—M. 500
- International Society of Christian Endeavor (ISCE)
 F. 1881—M. 1,000,000 (est.)
- International Walther League (Lutheran)
 (Lutheran teen-agers.)
 F. 1893—M. 150,000
 State and local groups: 5,000
- Jewish Lawyers Guild
 F. 1962—M. 250

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- Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. (JWV)
F. 1896—M. 105,000 (est.)
- League of Prayer for Unity (Catholic)
F. 1949—M. 300,000
- Liberal Religious Youth (Unitarian Universalist) (LRY)
F. 1953—M. 15,000
State groups: 33—Local groups: 400
- Liturgical Arts Society (Catholic) (LAS)
F. 1928—M. 320
- Loyal Christian Benefit Association (LCBA)
F. 1890—M. 63,000
- Lutheran Benevolent Association (LBA)
F. 1926—M. 1,700
- Lutheran Fraternities of America (LFA)
F. 1865—M. 6,763
- Lutheran Laymen's League (LLL)
F. 1917—M. 155,000
State groups: 43—Local clubs: 2,000
- Luther League
(Youth auxiliary of Lutheran Church in America)
- Mizrachi Hatzair (Jewish)
(Religious Zionist organization for young people
between ages of 10 and 26.)
F. 1952—M. 1,000
Local Chapters: 80
- Movement for a Better World (Catholic) (MBW)
F. 1952—M. 200 (est.)
- National Association of Laymen (Catholic) (NAL)
F. 1967—M. 13,000
- National Campus Ministry Association
F. 1965
- National Catholic Social Action Conference (NCSAC)
F. 1922—M. 500
- National Catholic Society of Foresters (NCSF)
F. 1891—M. 90,651
Local groups: 718

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National Catholic Pharmacists Guild of the United States
(NCPG)

F. 1962—M. 350

National Conference of Shomrim Societies (Jewish)
(NCSS)

(Police, fire and other public safety officers of the Jewish
faith.)

F. 1954—M. 5,000

State groups: 3—Local groups: 9

National Conference of Synagogue Youth (Jewish)
(NCSY)

F. 1954—M. 15,500

Regional groups: 17—Local Chapters: 350

National Council of Young Israel (Jewish) (NCYI)

F. 1912—M. 30,000

Local groups: 87

National Educators Fellowship (NEF)

F. 1953—M. 1,500

National Federation of Catholic Physicians Guilds
(NFCPG)

F. 1932—M. 6,800

Local groups: 102

National Federation of Temple Youth (Jewish) (NFTY)

F. 1939—M. 30,000

Regions: 21—Local groups: 490

National Huguenot Society

F.—M. 4,600

State Societies: 37

National Religious Broadcasters (NRB)

F. 1944—M. 200 (est.)

Regional group: 1

National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the U.S.

F. 1927—Local Assemblies: 440

National Young Buddhist Association (NYBA)

F. 1948—M. 2,000

Local groups: 80

- Nazarene World Missionary Society (NWMS)
 F. 1915—M. 272,219
 Districts: 78—Local groups: 4,599
- Opus Dei (Catholic)
 F. 1928—M. 50,000 (est.)
- Overseas Missionary Fellowship (OMF)
 F. 1888 (in North America)
 M. 324 (in U.S. and Canada)
 M. 859 (world)
- Poale Agredath Israel of America (Jewish) (PAI)
 M. 50,000
- Presbyterians United for Biblical Concern (PUBC)
 F. 1965—M. 800
- Progressive Order of the West (Jewish) (POW)
 (Fraternal benefit insurance society of persons of Jewish faith.)
 F. 1896—M. 714
 State groups: 12—Local groups: 22
- Protestant Lawyers Association of New York
 F. 1950—M. 90
- Quaker Theological Discussion Group (QTDG)
 F. 1957—M. 450
- Railroad Evangelistic Association (REA)
 F. 1941—M. 1,000
- Rosicrucian Order
 (International fraternal order.)
 F. 1909—M. 60,000
 Local groups: 287
- Shomrim Society (Jewish)
 (New York City policemen of Jewish faith.)
 M. 2,500
- Society for the Promotion of Mohammedan Missions
 (SPMM)
 (Members of Synodical Conference of Lutheran Church who are interested in promoting mission work among Mohammedans.)
 F. 1944—M. 2,500

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- St. Ansgar's Scandinavian Catholic League
 F.....—M. 700
 State Units: 10
- St. Apollonia Guild (Catholic) (SAG)
 (For spiritual development of Catholic dentists.)
 F. 1958—M. 85
- St. Martin de Porres Guild (Catholic)
 F. 1935—M. 50,000
- Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem (OSJ)
 M. 500
- Thomist Association (Catholic)
 F. 1938—M. 700
 Regional groups and Chapters: 4
- United Lutheran Society (ULS)
 (Fraternal benefit life insurance society of Lutherans.)
 F. 1893—M. 16,000
 Local groups: 500
- Western Young Buddhist League (WYBL)
 F.....—M. 1,555
 Local Chapters: 46
- World Wide Baraca-Philathea Union
 (International organization of Bible classes.)
 F. 1890—M. 40,000
 State groups: 8
- Yavneh-National Religious Jewish Students Association
 F. 1960—M. 1,200
 Chapters: 40
- Young Calvinist Federation (YCF)
 F. 1919—M. 14,500
 State groups: 48—Local groups: 620

8. Religion, Ethnic or National Origin and Sex:

- Ancient Order of Hibernians in America (Irish) (AOH)
 F. 1836—M. 191,000
 Local groups: 736
- Association of Romanian-American Orthodox Ladies
 Auxiliaries
 F. 1871—Auxiliaries: 23

9. *Ethnic or National Origin:*

Alianza (Spanish)

(Fraternal benefit insurance society)

Alliance of Poles in America

F. 1895—M. 20,000

Local Lodges: 89

Alliance of Transylvanian Saxons

F. 1902—M. 9,871

Lodges: 43

American Arab Relief Agency (ARRA)

F. 1964

American Australian Association

F. 1948—M. 100

American Austrian Society

F. 1954—M. 275

American Bulgarian League (ABL)

F. 1944—M. 600

American-Byelorussian Cultural Relief Association
(ABCRA)

F. 1957—M. 65

American Council of Polish Cultural Clubs (ACPCC)

Local groups: 25

M. 1,300

American Croatian Academic Club (ACAC)

F. 1957—M. 75

American GI Forum of United States (Mexico)

F. 1948—M. 20,000

State groups: 23—Local groups: 500

American Hellenic Congress (Greek) (AHC)

F. 1960—Local Chapters: 2,500

American Hungarian Federation (AHF)

F. 1906

American-Hungarian Medical Association

F. 1924—M. 200

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- American Italian Congress (AIC)
F. 1949—M. 700 (est.)
- American Latvian Association in the United States (ALA)
F. 1951—M. 10,000
Local groups: 200
- Americans (of Lebanese-Syrian Ancestry) for America
(ALSAA)
(Anti-Communist and anti-Zionist Americans of Lebanese and Syrian ancestry)
F. 1964—M. 1,000 (est.)
- American Lithuanian Engineers and Architects Association
F. 1950—M. 400
Local Chapters: 9
- American Luxembourg Society
F. 1894—M. 1,100
- American-Nepal Education Foundation (ANEF)
F. 1956—M. 350
- American Russian Aid Association (ARAA)
F. 1945—M. 350
- American Russian Slavonic Democratic Club
F. 1925
- American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF)
F. 1910—M. 5,500
- American Society of Danish Engineers (ASDE)
F. 1930—M. 200
- American Society of the French Legion of Honor
F. 1922—M. 480
- American Society of the Italian Legions of Merit
F. 1965—M. 200
- American Committee on Italian Migration (ACIM)
F. 1952—M. 30,000
- American Society of Rio de Janeiro (Brazilian)
F. 1918—M. 1,000 (est.)
- American Society of Swedish Engineers (ASSE)
F. 1888—M. 300

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- American-Turkish Society (ATS)
F. 1949—M. 225
- Anglo-American-Hellenic Bureau of Education (Greek)
F. 1941—M. 2,500 (est.)
- Armenian Educational Foundation (AEF)
F. 1950—M. 40
- Armenian General Benevolent Union of America
F. 1906—M. 9,000 (est.)
- Armenian Progressive League of America (APLA)
- Armenian Revolutionary Federation of America (ARFA)
- Armenian Students Association of America (ASA)
F. 1910—M. 600
- Armenian Youth Federation of America (AYF)
M. 2,500
Local Chapters: 60
- Association of American Youth of Ukrainian Descent (ODUM)
F. 1950—M. 1,075
State groups: 14
- Association of the Free French in the U.S.
F. 1945—M. 400
- Association of Hungarian Students in North America (AHS)
F. 1957—M. 1,500
- Association of Lithuanian Foresters in Exile (LMSI)
F. 1949—M. 68
- Association Medicale Franco-Americaine (AMFA)
F. 1936—M. 150 (est.)
- Association of Russian Imperial Naval Officers in America
F. 1923—M. 150
- Association of Russian War Invalids of First World War
F. 1954—M. 118

- Association of the Sons of Poland (SSP)
 F. 1903—M. 18,000
 Local groups: 120
- Austro-American Society (Austrian)
 F. 1945—M. 5,000
 Local Chapters: 5
- Belgian American Educational Foundation (BAEF)
 F. 1920—M. 94
- Belgian Engineers in North America (BENA)
 F. 1954—M. 110
- Bohemian Free Thinking School Society (Czech)
 F. 1863
- Brazilian Center of New York
 F. 1958—M. 200
- Brooklyn Clubs International
 F. 1967
- Bulgarian National Front
 F. 1948—M. 1,000
- Byelorussian-American Association in the U.S.A. (BAZA)
 F. 1949—M. 1,800
 State groups: 7—Local groups: 3
- Byelorussian Liberation Front (BLF)
 F. 1957—M. 250
 Branches: 5
- Byelorussian Youth Association of America (BYAA)
 F. 1951—M. 200
 State groups: 4
- Cape Verdian League Association (Portuguese)
 M. 85
- Committee of French Speaking Societies
 F. 1927—M. 2,500 (est.)
- Conference of Americans of Central and Eastern European
 Descent (CACEED)
 F. 1956—M. 8

Confederated Spanish Societies

F. 1936—M. 2,500

Croatian Fraternal Union of America (CFU)

F. 1894—M. 117,000

Local Lodges: 1,100

Czech American National Alliance (ANA)

Czechoslovak National Council of America

F. 1918

Czechoslovak Rationalist Federation of America (CRFA)

Czechoslovak Society of America (CSA)

F. 1854—M. 52,000

Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences in America

F. 1958—M. 980

Damascus Fraternity

M. 200

Danish Brotherhood in America

F. 1882—M. 10,000

Descendants of the Illegitimate Sons and Daughters of the
Kings of Britain

F. 1950—M. 90

English-Speaking Union of the United States (British)
(ESU)

F. 1920—M. 37,000

Estonian Aid

F. 1950

Evrytanian Association of America (Greek)

F. 1944—M. 450

Federation of American Citizens of German Descent
(FACGD)

F. 1946—M. 3,850

Local Branches: 17

Federacion Estudiantil Hispanoamericana (Spanish)
(Univeristy students in area of New York City)

F. 1963—M. 750

**Federation of French Alliances in the United States
(FFAUS)**

F. 1902—Chapters: 280

Federation of French War Veterans (FFWV)

F. 1919—M. 500 (est.)

**Federation of Hellenic American Societies of Greater New
York (Greek)**

Federation of Hungarian Former Political Prisoners

F. 1951—M. 15,000 (est.)

**Federation of India Student Associations of the United
States of America**

F. 1964—M. 60

**Federation of Ukrainian Student Organizations of America
(SUSTA)**

F. 1953—M. 2,500

Finnish-American Historical Society of the West

F. 1962—M. 300

Finnish American League for Democracy (FALD)

Finnish-American Society (FAS)

F. 1943—M. 12,000

Regional groups: 40

Finnish War Veterans in America (FWVA)

F. 1934—M. 290

First Hungarian Literary Society (FHLS)

F.—M. 600

Local groups: 6

Free Albania Organization (FAO)

F. 1940—M. 1,200

French-American Atlantique Association

F. 1947—M. 15

French Engineers in the United States

F. 1944—M. 220

Local groups: 2

Friends of India Committee

F. 1961

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Fund for the Relief of Russian Writers and Scientists in Exile (LITFUND)

F. 1918—M. 274

Local groups: 3

German-American National Congress (DANK)

F. 1958—M. 20,000

German Order of Harugari (DOH)

F. 1847—M. 2,000

State Grand Lodges: 8—Subordinate Lodges: 80

German Society of the City of New York

F. 1784—M. 350

Grand Council of Columbia Associations in Civil Service (Italo-American)

F. 1938—M. 80,000

Constituent groups: 53

Greek American Progressive Association (GAPA)

F. 1923—M. 10,000

Chapters: 150

Holland Society of New York

F. 1885—M. 1,050

Regional and local groups: 25

Hungarian Committee

(Political exiles from Hungary)

F. 1958—M. 10

Hungarian National Sports Federation (HNSF)

F. 1949—M. 5,000

Hungarian Reformed Federation of America (HRFA)

F. 1896—M. 36,000

State groups: 6—Local groups: 204

Iuliu Maniu American Romanian Relief Foundation (IMF)

F. 1952—M. 300

Independent Order of Svithiod (IOS) (Scandinavian)

F. 1880—M. 10,000

Local groups: 59

Indonesian Students Association in the United States

F. 1961—M. 600

Local Branches: 42

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International Order of Runeberg (Finnish-Swedish)

F. 1920—M. 4,000

Local Lodges: 62

Iran Foundation

F. 1948

Iranian Students Association in the United States (ISAUS)

F. 1952—M. 3,000

Local Chapters: 25

Irish Institute (II)

F. 1950—M. 2,000

Israeli Students Organization in the U.S.A. and Canada

F. 1950—M. 2,300

Local Chapters: 46

Italian American War Veterans of the United States
(ITAM Vets)

F. 1932—M. 8,500 (est.)

State Associations: 10—Local Posts: 110

Italian Charities of America (ICA)

F. 1936—M. 1,200

Italian Welfare League (IWL)

F. 1920—M. 600

Italo American National Union

F. 1895—M. 7,500

Korean National Association

(Operates Korean language school for children and
young adults)

Kosciuszko Foundation (Polish) (KF)

F. 1925—M. 2,000

Kossuth Foundation (Hungarian) (KF)

F. 1957

League of Americans of Ukrainian Descent

F. 1940—M. 52

Federation of 52 civic, religious and welfare organ-
izations with 8,000 members of Ukrainian descent

- League of United Latin American Citizens
(Pan American) (LULAC)
F. 1929—M. 20,000
- Lemko Association (Carpatho-Russian)
(Fraternal and cultural organization)
F. 1929—M. 1,500
- Lithuanian Alliance of America (LAA)
F. 1886—M. 10,000
Local groups: 260
- Lithuanian Scouts Association, College Division
F. 1924—M. 400
Local Chapters: 16
- Lithuanian Veterans Association Ramove
- Luxembourg Brotherhood of America (LBA)
F. 1902—M. 702
State Branches: 8
- Macedonian Patriotic Organization of U.S. and Canada
(MPO)
F. 1922
- Maltese-American Benevolent Society (MABS)
- Maltese Union Club
F. 1931
- Masaryk Institute (Czech)
F. 1937—M. 300
- Movement of Czechoslovak Christian-Democrats in Exile
F. 1957—Regional groups: 6
- Mutual Aid Association of the New Polish Immigration
F. 1949—M. 750
- Mutual Society of French Colonials (MSFC)
F. 1925—M. 175
- Mutualista Obrera Mexicana
(Federation of Mexican societies in New York City)
F. 1936—M. 3
- National Advocates Society (Polish)
M. 1,000 (est.)

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- National Association of Polish Americans (NAPA)
F. 1966
- National Committee for Liberation of Slovakia (NCLS)
F. 1949—M. 2,500
- Natl. Gymanfa Ganu Association of U.S. and Canada
(Welsh)
F. 1929—M. 2,500
- National Lithuanian Society of America
F. 1949—M. 1,250
Local Chapters: 21
- National Medical and Dental Association
(Polish) (NMDA)
F. 1900—M. 1,000
State groups: 7
- National Slovak Society of the United States of America
F. 1890—M. 36,000 (est.)
Lodges: 800 (est.)
- Netherland Benevolent Society of New York (NBS)
F. 1908—M. 300
- Netherland Club of New York
F. 1903—M. 700 (est.)
- Nigerian Students Union in the Americas (NSUA)
F. 1962—M. 4,000
- North American Swiss Alliance (NASA)
F. 1865—M. 4,200
- Norwegian Club
F. 1904—M. 100
- Organization of Arab Students in the U.S.A. and Canada
(OAS)
F. 1952—M. 7,000
Clubs: 102
- Pakistan Students' Association of America (PSAA)
F. 1953—M. 1,500
- Pan-Albanian Federation of America, Votra
F. 1912—M. 1,500
U.S. branches: 21

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- Pancretan Association of America (Greek)
F. 1929—M. 2,500
- Pan-Macedonian Association (Greek)
F. 1947—M. 6,000
- Pan-Rhodian Society of America (Greek)
F. 1926—M. 1,000
- Peruvian American Association
- Polish Association of America
F. 1895—M. 6,543
- Polish Falcons of America (PFA)
(Fraternal benefit insurance society)
F. 1887—M. 28,100
- Polish Institute of Arts and Sciences in America (PIASA)
F. 1942—M. 480
- Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A. (PLAV)
F. 1921—M. 15,000
State Departments: 13—Local Posts: 107
- Polish National Alliance of Brooklyn, U.S.A.
F. 1903
- Polish National Alliance of the United States of North America (PNA)
F. 1880—M. 332,962
Local groups: 1,405
- Polish National Union of America (PNUA)
F. 1908—M. 32,550
Local groups: 231
- Polish Singers Alliance of America (PSAA)
F. 1889
State groups: 100—Local groups: 15
- Polish Union of America (PUA)
(Fraternal benefit life insurance society)
- Polish Union of the United States of North America
F. 1890—M. 16,226
Local Lodges: 324

Polynesian Society
 (Social and welfare organization)
 F. 1946—M. 250

Portuguese American Progressive Club of New York

Portuguese Continental Union of the United States of
 America (PCU)
 F. 1925—M. 9,315
 Local Lodges: 60

Portuguese Society Queen St. Isabel
 F.—M. 13,000
 Local groups: 129

Royal Clan, Order of Scottish Clans (OSC)
 F. 1878—M. 15,767

Russian Brotherhood Organization of the U.S.A.
 F. 1900—M. 12,084
 State groups: 5—Local Lodges: 387

Russian Children's Welfare Society (RCWS)
 F. 1926—M. 200 (est.)

Russian Consolidated Mutual Aid Society of America
 (RCMASA-ROOVA)
 F. 1925—M. 3,327

Russian Independent Mutual Aid Society (RIMAS)
 F. 1931—M. 1,471

Russian Nobility Association in America
 F. 1938—M. 120

Russian Orthodox Fraternity Lubov
 F. 1912—M. 1,080
 Local Lodges: 73

Russian People's Center (RPC)
 F. 1929—M. 500

Russian Student Fund
 F. 1921

St. Andrew's Society of the State of New York (Scottish)
 F. 1756—M. 1,200

- St. David's Society of the State of New York (Welsh)
F. 1801—M. 250 (est.)
- Scandinavian American Fraternity (SAF)
F. 1893—M. 5,696
Local groups: 88
- Scandinavian Fraternity of America (SFA)
F. 1915—M. 10,000
Local groups: 112
- Scotch-Irish Society of the United States of America
F. 1889—M. 360
- Scottish War Veterans of America (SWVA)
F. 1940—M. 80
Local group: 1
- Selfreliance Association of American Ukrainians (SAAU)
F. 1947—M. 10,000
State groups: 17
- Serb National Federation
F. 1929—M. 24,000
- Slavonic Benevolent Order of the State of Texas
F. 1897—M. 35,079
Local Lodges: 142
- Sloga Fraternal Life Insurance Society
F. 1908—M. 2,978
- Slovak Catholic Sokol (SCS)
F. 1905—M. 51,000 (est.)
Local groups: 18
- Slovak League of America (SLA)
F. 1907—M. 11,200
State groups: 8—Local groups: 123
- Slovak Writers and Artists Association
F. 1954—M. 57
- Slovene National Benefit Society (SNPJ)
F. 1904—M. 68,000
Local groups: 525
- Slovenian Mutual Benefit Association (SMBA)
F. 1910—M. 21,300 (est.)
Local groups: 50

- Society of Danube Swabians
F. 1953—M. 3,050
- Society of Kastorians “Omonia” (Greek)
F. 1910—M. 500
- Society of Russian Veterans of the World War (SRV)
- Sokol U.S.A. (Slovak)
F. 1896—M. 23,000
District groups: 12—Local groups: 200
- Sons of Norway (S/N)
F. 1895—M. 40,000
State groups: 23—Provinces: 3
Local groups: 260
- Sons of Scotland Benevolent Association
F. 1876
- Spanish Benevolent Society “La Nacional”
M. 3,500
- Steuben Society of America (German) (SSA)
F. 1919
- Swedish Colonial Society (SCS)
F. 1908—M. 550
- Swiss Benevolent Society of New York (SBS)
F. 1851—M. 1,000
- Swiss Society of New York
F. 1930—M. 475
- Thessalonikian Society of America “Saint Demetrios”
(Greek)
F. 1960—M. 300
- Tolstoy Foundation (Russian) (TF)
(Voluntary agency to assist refugees from Soviet Russia
”and other countries under Communist oppression”)
F. 1939—M. 7,000
- Ukrainian Artists’ Association in U.S.A. (OMUA)
F. 1952—M. 60
Chapters: 3

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Ukrainian Congress Committee of America (UCCA)
 (Federation of Ukrainian anti-Communist
 organizations)

F. 1940—M. 200

Local Branches: 115

Ukrainian Engineers' Society of America (UESA)

F. 1948—M. 650

Chapters: 9

Ukrainian Life Cooperative Association

F. 1954—M. 145

Ukrainian Medical Association of North America
 (UMANA)

F. 1950—M. 1,200

Local groups: 15

Ukrainian National Association (UNA)

(Fraternal benefit life insurance society)

F. 1894—M. 87,000

Districts: 29—Local Chapters: 489

Ukrainian National Youth Federation of America
 (UNYFA)

F. 1933—M. 150

Local groups: 4

Ukrainian Workingmen's Association (UWA)

Ukrainian Youth League of North America (UYLNA)

F. 1933—M. 800

Ulster-Irish Society (UIS)

F. 1927—M. 250

Union Espanola Benefica de California (Spanish)
 (Fraternal benefit life insurance society)

Union and League of Romanian Societies of America
 (ULRSA)

M. 5,082

State groups: 65

Union of Poles in America (Polish) (UPA)

United American Croats (UAC)

F. 1946—M. 5,000

Local Branches: 16

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United Friends of Needy and Displaced People
of Yugoslavia

F. 1946—M. 500

United-Italian American Labor Council (UIALC)

F. 1941

United Italian American league (UIAL)

(Federation of Italo-American civic and political organizations)

United Lithuanian Relief Fund of America (ULRA)

F. 1944—M. 2,000

State Divisions: 3—Local Chapters: 70

United National Life Insurance Society

(Portuguese) (UNLIS)

F. 1868—M. 15,000

State groups: 4—Local groups: 98

United Russian Orthodox Brotherhood of America
(UROBA)

F. 1915—M. 3,640

Local Lodges: 150

United Swedish Societies (USS)

(Federation of 60 Swedish organizations)

F. 1903—M. 7,500 (est.)

United Whiteruthenian (Byelorussian) American Relief
Committee

F. 1948—M. 478

Branches: 3

Welsh Society

F. 1729—M. 320

West Indian Students Association (WISA)

F. 1949—M. 200

Chapters: 5

Western Bohemian Fraternal Association (WBFA)

F.—M. 60,000

Lodges: 294

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- Western Slavonic Association (WSA)
 F. 1908—M. 10,490
 State Lodges: 18—Local Lodges: 45
- Whiteruthenian (Byelorussian) Congress Committee of America
 F. 1951—M. 10
- World Association of Estonians (WAE)
 F.—M. 500 (est.)
- World Association of Upper Silesians
 F. 1948—M. 3,442 (U.S.)
- World Federation of Ukrainian Student Organizations of Michnowsky (TUSM)
 F. 1949—M. 600

10. *Ethnic or National Origin and Sex:*

- American Union of Swedish Singers (AUSS)
 F. 1892—M. 900
 Regional Divisions: 3—Local Choruses: 31
- Armenian Relief Society (ARS)
 F. 1910—M. 16,000 (est.)-world
 M. 3,000 in U.S. and Canada
- Association of American Wives of Europeans (AAWE)
 M. 215
- Association of Philippine-American Women (APAW)
 F. 1947
- Association of Polish Women of the United States
- Baltic Women's Council (BWC)
 F. 1947
- Canadian Club of New York (CCNY)
 F. 1903—M. 1,673
- Chinese Women's Benevolent Association
- Committee of French American Wives
 F. 1939—M. 100

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Danish Sailors and Firemen's Union

F. 1897

Daughters of Evrytania (Greek)

F. 1948—M. 150

Daughters of Penelope (Greek)

F. 1929—M. 13,000

Local Chapters: 314

Daughters of Scotia (Scottish)

F. 1899—M. 17,000

Friends of A.D.I.R. (French)

(American representative of Association "Nationale des Anciennes Deportees et Internees de la Resistance (ADIR), an organization of women who served in the French Resistance Movement during World War II)

Maids of Athens (Greek) (MA)

F. 1936—M. 1,300

Chapters: 155

National Council of Women of Free Czechoslovakia (NCWFC)

F. 1951—M. 125

Local groups: 4

National Society, Daughters of the Barons of Runnemede (DBR)

F. 1921—M. 650

National Society, Daughters of the British Empire in the United States of America

F. 1909—M. 5,500

Nichibei Fujinkai (Japanese)

F. 1960—M. 300

Norwegian Seamen's Association

Order of Ahepa (Greek)

F. 1922—M. 25,000

Local groups: 430

Polish Legion of American Veterans U.S.A., Ladies Auxiliary

F. 1921—M. 8,000

State and Regional groups: 16

Local Chapters: 86

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- Polish Women's Alliance of America
F. 1898—M. 91,000
State groups: 17—Local groups: 750
- St. George's Society of New York (British)
F. 1770—M. 1,000
- Schlaraffia Nord-Amerika (German)
F. 1859—M. 700
Local Chapters: 24
- Seamen of Sweden, Inc.
F. 1948
- Society of Daughters of Holland Dames
F. 1895—M. 150
- Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in the City of
New York (Irish)
F. 1784—M. 1,500
- Sons of Pericles (Greek)
(Auxiliary of Order of Ahepa)
- Sons of Italy Supreme Lodge
- Supreme Lodge of the Danish Sisterhood of America
(DSA)
F. 1883—M. 5,000 (est.)
Local groups: 120
- Ukrainian National Women's League of America
(UNWLA)
F. 1925—M. 7,000
- UNICO National (Italian) (UNICO)
(Business and professional men of Italian extraction or
married to a person of Italian extraction)
F. 1922—M. 4,000
Chapters: 100

11. Sex:

- Active 20-30 International
F. 1922—M. 4,800
Local Clubs: 240

Adventurers Club of New York

F. 1903—M. 368

Altrusa International

(Service organization of executive and professional women)

F. 1917—M. 18,000

Districts: 13—Local groups: 525

American Gold Star Mothers

F. 1928—M. 17,000

State Departments: 33—Local Chapters: 540

American Interprofessional Institute (AII)

F. 1924—M. 805

Local Chapters: 15

American Legion Auxiliary (ALA)

F. 1919—M. 1,000,000 (est.)

State groups: 54—Local groups: 14,000

American War Dads (AWD)

F. 1942—M. 5,000

State groups: 16—Local groups: 112

American War Dads Auxiliary (AWDA)

F. 1945—M. 2,396

American War Mothers (AWM)

F. 1917—M. 20,000

State groups: 34—Local groups: 600

American Woman's Association (AWA)

(Business and professional women and women in public affairs)

F. 1922

American Women's Voluntary Services (AWVS)

F. 1940—M. 5,000

Local groups: 40 (est.)

Another Mother for Peace (AMP)

F. 1967—M. 65,000 (est.)

Armenian Women's Welfare Association

F. 1921—M. 500

- Association of the Junior Leagues of America (AJLA)
 F. 1921—M. 89,700
 Regional groups: 14—Local Leagues: 209
- Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
 F. 1883—M. 5,123
- Aztec Club of 1847
 (Direct male descendants of commissioned officers of
 U.S. armed services who took part in Mexican War)
 F. 1847—M. 170
- Circle K International
 (Service organization for college men sponsored by
 Kiwanis International)
 F. 1955—M. 11,000
 Local groups: 625
- Civitan International (CI)
 (Business and professional men)
 F. 1920—M. 36,000
 Clubs: 1,600
- Colonial Dames of America (CDA)
 F. 1890—M. 2,000
 Chapters: 17
- Companions of the Forest of America
 (Fraternal benefit life insurance society for women)
 F. 1885—M. 300,000 (est.)
- Cosmopolitan Associates (Women) (CA)
 (Foreign-born wives)
 F. 1950—M. 5,500
 Local Chapters: 80
- Country Women's Council, U.S.A. (CWC)
 F. 1939—M. 3,000,000
 State groups: 66
- Cosmopolitan International
 (Community business and professional men)
 F. 1933—M. 4,064
 State Federations: 8—Local groups: 100
- Dames of the Loyal Legion of the United States (DLL)
 F. 1899—M. 200 (est.)
 State groups: 9

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- Daughters of the Cincinnati (DC)
F. 1894—M. 402
- Daughters of the Republic of Texas
F. 1891—M. 3,000
Chapters: 55
- Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary (DAVA)
F. 1922—M. 35,000
- Fathers-At-Large (F @ L)
F. 1963—M. 150 (est.)
- Forty and Eight
(Fraternal organization of Veterans who are also
members of American Legion)
F. 1920—M. 75,000
Local groups: 1,050
- Forty Plus Club of New York
F. 1939—M. 1,300
- General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC)
F. 1890—M. 11,000,000 (53 countries)
Membership in U.S. includes 800,000 members in
15,600 Clubs
- General Society of Colonial Wars (GSCW)
F. 1892—M. 4,200
State Societies: 29
- Gold Star Wives of America (GSWA)
F. 1945—M. 1,000
- Honorable Order of the Blue Goose, International
(Property and casualty insurance men)
F. 1906—M. 13,000
State groups: 66
- International Association of Torch Clubs (Torch)
(Men from 25 professions)
F. 1924—M. 5,300
Local groups: 116
- International Geneva Association (IGA)
(Fraternal and benevolent organization of men in hotel,
restaurant, catering trades, beverage, food, etc. indus-
tries)
F. 1904—M. 2,500

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International Inner Wheel
(Wives of Rotarians)
F. 1934—M. 43,000

International Order of Hoo-Hoo
(Fraternal society of men in forest products and lumber
industry)
F. 1892—M. 8,000
Local Clubs: 129

International Toastmistress Clubs (ITC)
F. 1938—M. 18,000
Local groups: 1,150

Iota Tau Tau
(Women law students and attorneys)
F. 1925—M. 1,500
Local Chapters: 39

Key Club International (KCI)
F. 1925—M. 95,000
State Districts: 30—Clubs: 3,500

Kiwanis International (KI)
F. 1915—M. 275,000
Districts: 30—Local Clubs: 5,700

Ladies Auxiliary, Military Order of the Purple Heart,
United States of America
F. 1934—M. 3,000

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic
F. 1885—M. 10,000
State Departments: 31—Local Circles: 353

La Leche League International (LLI)
F. 1956—M. 6,000
Local groups: 700

La Sertoma International
F. 1929—M. 5,000
Regional groups: 11

Legion of Guardsmen Auxiliaries
F. 1948—M. 1,000
Local Chapters: 15

- Lions International (LI)
 F. 1917—M. 913,522 (145 countries)
 Local Clubs: 23,807
- Majestic Circle, Military Order of Lady Bugs of U.S.A.
 (MOLB)
 F. 1925—M. 4,500
 State Royals: 15—Local Circles: 160
- Marine Corps Fathers Association of New York
 F. 1943—M. 200
- Marine Corps Auxiliary (MCLA)
 F. 1937—M. 3,500
 State groups: 20—Local groups: 169
- Merrill's Marauders Association
 F. 1947—M. 600
- Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States
 (MOFW)
 F. 1894—M. 3,000 (est.)
- Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States
 (MOLLUS)
 F. 1865—M. 1,200
 State Commanderies: 13
- Minute Women of the United States of America
 F. 1949
- Moms of America
 (Mothers of Veterans)
 F. 1941—M. 3,600 (est.)
- Mothers of World War II
 F. 1942—M. 8,500
 State groups: 8—Local groups: 350
- National Achievement Clubs (NAC)
 F. 1937—M. 8,000
- National Association of Navy and Marine Veterans of the
 Spanish-American War, 1898-1902
 F. 1941—M. 134
 Regional groups: 3

- National Council, Daughters of America (DA)
 (Affiliated with Junior Order, United American Mechanics)
 F. 1891—M. 74,000
 State groups: 33
- National Exchange Club (NEC)
 F. 1911—M. 45,000
 District groups: 29—Local Clubs: 1,100
- National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs (NFBPWC)
 F. 1919—M. 178,000
 State groups: 53—Local groups: 3,800
- National Federation of Grandmother Clubs of America
 F. 1938—M. 20,000 (est.)
- National Order of Trench Rats (Disabled) (NOTR)
 F. 1924—M. 3,100
 Dugouts (local groups): 125
- National Order of Women Legislators (OWL)
 F. 1938—M. 374
- National Society Colonial Daughters of the 17th Century
 F. 1896
- National Society, Daughters of the American Colonists (DAC)
 F. 1921—M. 10,000
 State groups: 46—Local groups: 250
- National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution
 F. 1890—M. 188,031
 Local Chapters: 2,894
- National Society Daughters of Utah Pioneers
 F. 1901—M. 40,000
 County Companies: 127—Local Camps: 1,015
- National Society of the Sons of Utah Pioneers
 F. 1933—M. 1,150
 Chapters: 24
- National T.T.T. Society (TTT)
 (Women's charitable organization)
 F. 1911—M. 6,533
 State groups: 6—Local groups: 266

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National Society, United States Daughters of 1812

F. 1892—M. 4,500

State groups: 33—Local groups: 115

National Society Women Descendants of the Ancient and
Honorable Artillery Co. (DAH)

F. 1927—M. 900

National Yeomen F (NYF)

F. 1926—M. 1,300

Native Daughters of the Golden West (NDGW)

F. 1886—M. 20,000

Native Sons of the Golden West (NSGW)

F. 1875—M. 16,000

Naval Order of the United States

F. 1890—M. 4,500

Local groups: 11

Navy Club of the United States of America Auxiliary

F. 1941—M. 1,000

State and local groups: 20

Navy Mothers' Clubs of America (NMCA)

F. 1930—M. 25,000

State groups: 28—Local groups: 550

Navy Wives Clubs of America (NWCA)

F. 1935—M. 5,000

Chapters: 115

New York Southern Society

F. 1886—M. 900

Optimist International

(Federation of business, industrial and professional
men's service clubs)

F. 1919—M. 100,000

Districts: 41—Local Clubs: 2,900

Order of the Founders and Patriots of America (OFPA)

F. 1896—M. 900

State groups: 15

- Phi Delta Kappa
 (Women who teach or hold administrative positions in public schools)
 F. 1923—M. 5,000
 Chapters: 77
- Pilot Club International
 F. 1921—M. 15,000 (est.)
 Local Clubs: 500
- Quota International (QI)
 (Women holding executive positions in business and the professions)
 F. 1919—M. 12,000
 Local groups: 400
- Round Table International
 F. 1922—M. 1,600
 Local groups: 50
- Ruritan National
 (Men's civic service club in towns of 5,000 population or less)
 F. 1928—M. 35,113
 Local groups: 1,169
- Sertoma International
 (Business and professional men)
 F. 1943—M. 20,000
 Districts: 54—Local groups: 525
- Society of California Pioneers (SCP)
 F. 1850—M. 1,075
- Society of Cincinnati
 F. 1783—M. 2,450
 State groups: 13
- Sons of the American Legion
 F.—M. 16,327
- Sons of Spanish American War Veterans (SSAWV)
 F. 1927—M. 940
 Departments: 9—Camps: 28
- Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW)
 F. 1881—M. 8,000
 State groups: 21—Local Camps: 400

Soroptimist Federation of the Americas (SFA)
 (Executive and professional women in 11 North, South
 and Central American countries and islands)
 F. 1921—M. 26,000
 Local Clubs: 890

St. Nicholas Society
 (Male descendants of persons living in New York prior
 to 1785)
 F. 1835

Tau Gamma Delta
 (Women in business and the professions)
 F. 1945—M. 550

The Westerners
 F. 1945—M. 963

Toastmasters International
 F. 1945—M. 75,000

Travelers Protective Association of America (TPAA)
 F. 1890—M. 204,812
 State Divisions: 32—Local Posts: 290

United States Army Ambulance Service Association
 (USAACS)
 F. 1920—M. 800
 Local groups: 7

United States Army Mothers, National
 F. 1940—M. 8,000 (est.)
 State groups: 12—Local Posts: 106

Venture Club Council of the Americas
 (Business and professional women who have not
 reached the age of 32)
 F. 1934—M. 2,000
 Local Clubs: 150

Wheels of Progress (WP)
 F. 1924—M. 750 (est.)

Widows of World War I (WWW I)
 F. 1946—M. 5,327
 State Departments: 11—Local Chapters: 162

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- Wives of the Armed Forces, Emeritus (WAFE)
 F. 1942—M. 12,000 (est.)
 State groups: 17
- Women's Army Corps—Veterans Association (WACVA)
 F. 1947—M. 2,000
 Local groups: 32
- Women of the Legion of Valor, U.S.A.
 F.—M. 400
- Women's Overseas Service League (WOSL)
 F. 1921—M. 2,000
 Service Areas: 11—Local Units: 60
- Women World War Veterans (WWWV)
 F. 1919—M. 80,000
- Woodmen Rangerettes
 (Organization of girls to age 16, sponsored by Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society)
 F. 1965—M. 30,000
 Local Clubs: 222
- Woodmen Rangers
 (Organization of boys to age 16, sponsored by Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society)
 F. 1965—M. 46,000
 Local Clubs: 410
- Zonta International
 (Executive women in business and professions)
 F. 1919—M. 20,000
 Local groups: 550

In addition to the organizations listed above, there is the broad group of college and university fraternities and sororities. Most of them have definite religious overtones, such as belief in God, etc. Secondly, most of the fraternities and sororities do not have actual integration, whether the group is white, black or yellow race oriented. By practice, the members of the great majority of the groups do select their membership and associates on a bond of common race, regardless of the color.

Because of these factors, and further, in order to not unduly lengthen this brief, we have not listed the fraternities and sororities individually. Our research has revealed, however, that there are some 63 Green letter fraternities, with 4,880 local groups and a total membership of 2,382,000. In addition, there are 3,297 alumni groups, the total membership of which is not available.

There are 37 sororities, with 3,258 chapters and a total membership of 1,403,000. Surprisingly, these sororities more alumni chapters than active chapters, with a total of 6,159 alumni groups. Total membership of alumni groups was not determined.

Honorary societies or associations are not listed, but they seem to be largely selected on the basis of sex membership requirements, as well as attainment in a particular field.

Youth organizations such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Boys Clubs, Girls Clubs, National Association of Colored Girls Clubs, and similar groups, although having religious overtones (*i.e.*, belief in God—prayer, etc.), as well as selected membership based upon sex, have also not been included. There are youth organizations of every religious denomination and with racial qualifications of every race.

We could not determine the number of members or groups, or the membership practices or rules of such militant organizations as the Black Panthers, Minutemen, Silver Shirts, etc., so they are not included.

Purely local clubs and organizations are not included, but they must run into the hundreds of thousands through-

out the United States. Our research did not disclose any source of information as to these purely local clubs or organizations. It is known that such groups encompass many varied activities, such as golf and country clubs, bridge and chess clubs, garden clubs, tennis clubs, polo clubs, yacht clubs, athletic clubs and others of varied private nature.

From the information available, it would appear that there are 56,555,000 members of the organizations listed above. If you add the Greek letter fraternities and sororities and the youth groups, there would be approximately another 16,400,000 members, for a total of 72,955,000.

CONCLUSION

All Americans of all races, creeds, color or national origin have been enjoying to the fullest extent the fundamental inherent and natural human right of privacy and selection of their own social associations. This right existed long before the Constitution was enacted, and is preserved and protected from any legislative or judicial erosion by the First Amendment.

It is not the function of government to enter into the essentially private and social affairs of its citizens, regardless of the purpose of such intrusion. To allow such intrusion would work a great injustice upon all citizens. In the area of "social rights", the Constitution enjoins the legislative and the judicial branches of the government to preserve them inviolate for all to enjoy.

The reversal of the judgment below and the dismissal of the complaint on the grounds that it did not state a

claim upon which relief could be granted is indicated from the facts herein presented and the law as set forth in appellant's brief.

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