

Alice Blum

Maid of Naboo Knoll
Harford County, Maryland
Inducted 1979
Charter Member



Alice Marie Blum was born in Baltimore, Maryland on March 14, 1916. She graduated from the University of Maryland in 1933 and received a Masters Degree in Sociology in 1950. She is single and enjoyed an extensive career in Social Work, serving as Superintendent of the Maryland Correctional Institution for Women from 1951 until 1969, when she retired. She then worked as a Social Worker at Clifton T. Perkins State Hospital for the Criminally Insane until her retirement from that position in 1976.

Alice became interested in jousting in 1951 as a result of having met and been inspired by Mary Lou Bartram, who at that time was employed at the Maryland Correctional Institution for Women. Alice has held offices in both the Maryland Jousting Tournament Association and the National Jousting Association during her years of involvement in jousting. She held many committee chairmanships and was President of the Maryland Jousting Tournament Association for several years. As of this writing (1979), she is President of the National Jousting Association. She has made numerous medieval costumes and crowns for the Maryland State and National Jousting Associations.

Alice has won numerous local class competitions and has placed several times in the National Championship, Semi-Professional Class, including a first place in that competition in 1970.

Alice has appeared on television and radio programs as well as before clubs, school classes and scout groups to talk about and promote the sport of Jousting. She was one of the leading lobbyists in Annapolis, Maryland and helped promote the cause of jousting in 1962 when the State Legislature and the Governor officially recognized Jousting as Maryland's Official State Sport. She has devoted much of her personal time, energy, money and effort into the promotion of the Sport of Jousting and helping to organize and expand the National Jousting Hall of Fame.