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Ohio Harry Andrews Chateau Laroche

BIOGRAPHY

1890	Harry	Andrews	was	born	on a	farm	in upstate	New	York.	

He was graduated from Colgate University where he studied Greek, Roman, and Egyptian architecture. During WWI he attended Toulouse University in France.

1920's Andrews returned to Cincinnati, and became a teacher in city and Sunday schools.

He purchased the lot where the Catles would eventually be built. Organizing the Knights of the Golden Trail (based partly on Boy Scouts), he encouraged ideals of chivalry and Christianity. the boys belonging to the organization were divided into pages, squires, and knights.

Andrews began building the Castle to permanently replace the rapidly decaying tents used for retreats. He worked at several jobs to support his efforts.

Andrews retired and began living at the site all year long. By October all walls were completed; by 1960 all the floors were finished. Most of the materials used were donated, or manufactured by Andrews and his Knights.

He died at the age of 91 while trying to quench a fire in the Castle. The Knights continued to operate the Castle.

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