

**GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY F. & A. M.**  
**2022 - 2023**  
**District Deputy Grand Master**  
**Handbook**

***WE ARE OUR BROTHER'S KEEPER***



**E. DARREN WILSON**  
**GRAND MASTER**  
**2022 - 2023**



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# **LETTER FROM E. DARREN WILSON, GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**

Brothers,

Congratulations on your appointment as District Deputy for this fraternal year. You have been selected by the Grand Master and recommended by your Masonic brethren to serve the Craft in each of your Masonic Districts across this great Commonwealth. By accepting this appointment, you are agreeing to Help, Aid, and Assist the lodges in your district with whatever their Masonic needs may be.

You will find this job to be both challenging and rewarding. By accepting the position and responsibility of a District Deputy, you are agreeing to promote the programs of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky in your District, work closely with your Area Officer, and keep the Grand Master informed of any events that affect our Fraternity.

The District Deputy Handbook will guide you in performing your duties and give you a good understanding of what is expected of you. A leader that is well informed will be able to help others solve their problems and gain the respect of their brothers.

Below is a list of programs that we have chosen to promote to strengthen our Fraternity:

1. Support of Masonic Youth Groups
2. Emergency Planning
3. Preserving History
4. The Grand Master's Traveling Tiler's Sword
5. The Masons Helping Masons and Veterans Programs
6. Attendance at the Educational Conferences and District Meetings
7. Following and understanding our Masonic Constitution
8. The "Charity of Your Choice"/ Bicycles, Scholarships, etc.
9. The Grand Master's Lodge of Excellence Award

With your dedication and hard work, we can be assured of a successful year. I have complete confidence in your ability to represent Freemasonry, and The Grand Lodge of Kentucky during the ensuing year. Always feel free to contact either myself, your Area Officer, or The Grand Lodge of Kentucky Office if you need any help performing these duties.

Fraternally Thine,  
E. Darren Wilson  
Grand Master  
Grand Lodge of Kentucky

## **FORWARD**

The purpose of this handbook is to define the duties of the office of District Deputy Grand Master for the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. The information contained in this guide will assist you as you perform your official duties. Please review this information thoroughly since it can make your year as District Deputy Grand Master both productive and enjoyable.

## **PURPOSE AND DUTIES OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER**

The District Deputy Grand Master serves as the personal representative of the Grand Master in his respective Masonic district. Your duties include working closely with the Masters of the lodges in your district to help, aid, and assist them, and to promote Grand Lodge activities and programs. Since you are the official liaison between the Grand Master and the lodges in your district, it is important that you help maintain peace and harmony between our members. It is very important to use good judgment and never become involved in private piques and quarrels which may occur between brothers or lodges. Also, never publicly criticize another officer or member of the craft. If a situation needs to be addressed, please refer it first to your Area Officer and then the Grand Master. If a direct violation of the Constitution is about to take place, please use common sense as to how you handle the situation. It is very important to never publicly embarrass an officer or member of our fraternity. Remember, after your year as District Deputy Grand Master is over, you will still have to live among your brothers.

### **Travel**

I encourage you to travel both within and outside your district. It would also be a good idea to travel to other district meetings before yours so you can see how the meetings proceed. Visit every Masonic lodge in your district at least twice during your time in office. The first visit is usually for purposes of introduction and the second should typically be your official visit to that Masonic lodge. Plan your visits around possible bad weather, holidays, your schedule, etc. I also encourage you to use the district Facebook page to keep up with events within your district. Remember that your local brothers recommended you for this appointment, so be careful that none of your lodges are neglected. During your official visitation of a lodge in your district, highlight the Grand Lodge programs, make sure each Lodge has an updated Book of Constitutions and urge them to update their By-Laws as needed. Also, verify they are holding meetings regularly and forward any needed information to your Area Officer. When you have completed your official visits, submit an email to your Area Officer and the Grand Master, advising us this has been completed.

You are to serve as a role model for others in your district and work with your Area Officer and the Grand Master during your year of service. By working together, we can achieve extraordinary results. Suggest ways to advance Grand Lodge programs in the district. Please communicate any concerns to the Area Officer and/or the Grand Master.

### **Dress/Appearance**

You should attend lodge functions dressed in a coat and tie, as is deemed fitting for the office. Please wear your D.D.G.M. apron and the Grand Lodge of Kentucky identification badge to all meetings and Grand Lodge functions. If you visit an outdoor degree, business dress is not expected. You may wear a plain white apron to outdoor degrees. The apron should only be worn on the outside of your coat or jacket. However, NEVER wear your D.D.G.M. apron and name badge to a Masonic Funeral. Masonic funerals are for the family of the deceased and is meant to show that we are all on the same level, as indicated by a plain white apron.

## Speaking/Presenting

Since you are the direct representative of the Grand Master, you should always speak just prior to close of the meeting. Be prepared with a brief, pleasant, and non-judgmental message. When speaking, always consider the hour and be respectful of the time of your audience. If a long meeting has taken place, keep your remarks brief. Always be prepared with something to say, since it is expected that you do so. You should always stand when addressing the lodge. Conclude your remarks by thanking the Craft for their attendance and attention. You may close by simply saying, "Thank you for your hospitality and thank you for this courtesy."

## Visiting Lodges

When visiting a lodge please use the following guidelines:

**Be on time:** Early arrival at meetings will allow you to get acquainted with the members of the lodge. If you happen to arrive late, make your entrance as inconspicuous as possible. ALWAYS apologize for your tardiness when called upon to speak, but do not make excuses about your lateness.

**Be prepared:** Convey information about Grand Lodge programs and planned events to the craft. It would help you to have the topics you want to cover written on index cards. Stress the need to improve all aspects of our fraternity.

**Have a positive mental attitude:** When you make any comments remember that once said, they cannot be taken back. Your comments should always be both positive and enthusiastic. Enthusiasm is an element of success, and if you don't believe in what you are saying, the lodge members will most likely not follow your lead.

**Use common sense:** Present yourself with dignity and be respectful of your brothers. They will expect you to be confident as you are serving in the capacity of D.D.G.M. However, always remember that humbleness is a Masonic virtue that we should all practice, and is expected of you.

**Avoid unnecessary conflict:** Avoid becoming involved in all private quarrels and disagreements. If you see a problem developing, bring it to the attention of your Area Officer or the Grand Master. ***Otherwise, avoid being drawn into quarrels.***

## PLANNING THE DISTRICT MEETING

It is a good idea to schedule a planning meeting with the appropriate representatives of each Masonic lodge in your district. Do so at a central location soon after your installation. The agenda for this meeting should include introductions of all present, the coordination of details of the district meeting, and specifics of other events during the year. Plan to make the facility for your district meeting convenient and accommodating for brothers traveling from within, as well as from outside, your district. Become familiar with the guidelines of this handbook and follow them when planning your district meeting. For a Sample District Meeting Agenda, see Appendix A. See Appendix C for the Lodge Information form to be completed by each lodge. Please provide a copy of the form to each lodge in your district. Ask the lodges to return the completed form promptly, so you can prepare your statistics. The D.D.G.M., or his designated representative, will present district membership totals and statistics at the district meeting.

The District Meeting is one of the most important events of the Masonic year. The success of your meeting will depend upon the amount of planning and effort you put into it. Past District Deputy Grand Masters, lodge officers, members of the Craft in your District, and your Area Officer will help you with your meeting if you ask them. When all arrangements for your district meeting have been finalized, notify the Area Officer and the Grand Master.

## Notice of Your District Meeting in Masonic Home Journal

The notice of your district meeting must be received by the Masonic Home Journal Staff by the 5th of the month, two months prior to the month of your meeting. Plans and details must be submitted and approved by the Grand Master and Area Officer prior to publication. For example, if your district meeting will be held in April, submit notice to the Masonic Home Journal by February 5th, to appear in the March issue.

The following information is required in your notice:

1. Location of the meeting (physical address is needed) with directions using known land- marks and highway route numbers. Make certain that someone not familiar with the area can easily find it using only your directions.
2. Time of meeting including the prevailing time (Eastern or Central), and whether or not a meal will be served.
3. Indicate if the ladies are invited to attend the meal, or if it is for Masons only. Also note if a Ladies Program will be provided during the tiled portion of the District Meeting.

Detail important information about your meeting along with a digital photo of yourself (unless a photo was taken at the D.D.G.M. Orientation) and mail this information to: Masonic Home Journal, 11620 Commonwealth Drive, Louisville, KY 40299. If you use e-mail send it to:

**[masonichomejournal@grandlodgeofkentucky.org](mailto:masonichomejournal@grandlodgeofkentucky.org)**

A few suggestions to assist you with your District meeting:

1. If you have a meal, have at least two serving lines if possible.
2. Make special presentations to guests, and/or recognize Past D.D.G.M.'s of your district during the meal time.
3. To facilitate serving and to observe proper protocol:
  - a. Announce the serving instructions prior to the invocation.
  - b. You and your wife are to be served first. If there are ladies present, they should always go next. Next in line should be the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers.
4. If ladies are invited for the meal, you may have a program for them during the tiled meeting. Please make this known in order for ladies across the state can attend.
5. Your meal must start no later than one hour prior to your meeting time. If you are having presentations, allow for the time needed. Please be aware of the time constraints as there may be another district meeting on the same day.
6. Since this is a tiled meeting, make sure you have enough aprons. You may ask other lodges to help supply aprons for their members and guests.
7. Masonic Protocol specifies that the Grand Master is the last to speak before the lodge is closed.  
**Please begin your meeting on time!**



## OPENING OF DISTRICT MEETING

The lodge **will not** be opened prior to the district meeting and called to refreshment as in the past. We will open lodge promptly at stated time when all members are present enabling all brothers to witness the opening of lodge in full form and participate in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

After opening the Agenda APPENDIX A is to be followed.

## DISTRICT MEETING ATTENDANCE AWARDS 2022 - 2023

An attendance award will be presented at the Grand Lodge Annual Communication 2023 to those lodges who have the Master, and 10% of their total membership, or the Master and fifteen members, present. For example, if a lodge has 30 members, the Master and three members must attend. **If a lodge has 150 or more members, the Master and at least 15 members must attend to qualify for this award.**

(If the Master is unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances, the lodge may apply to the Area Officer or the Grand Master for relief. If the Area Officer and the Grand Master determine that the absence is justifiable, the lodge may then be considered to have met the requirements with a total of 10% of their total membership in attendance.)

## COMMITTEE ON MASONIC YOUTH GROUP SUPPORT

This committee was established to bring awareness and support to our Masonic youth in Kentucky, Masonic youth have, and continue, to play a valuable supporting role in Freemasonry; all the while, practicing and learning the tenants of our gentle craft. Aiding and guiding these young adults is a rewarding experience and I urge you to seek out local chapters, assemblies, and bethels where you or your lodges can be of service. In addition, you will assist local lodges in connecting with Masonic youth and encourage them to not only provide financial support, but that of their time.

### Roles

- District Deputy Grand Masters, along with Masonic Youth Committeemen, need to become familiar with the local chapters, assemblies, and bethels in their area or closest one to a specific geographic area.
- Selected committeemen will travel to local lodges in their area to act as a liaison and encourage interactions with Masonic youth groups. They will also assume any other duties as provided by the committee chair and Grand Master of Kentucky.
- Provide lodges with contact information.
- Advertise chapter, assembly, and bethel current events.
- Encourage Brothers to volunteer their time and think about becoming an advisor. Advise on how to become an advisor or provide them with information to learn more.
- While speaking with lodges, encourage them to visit local chapters, assemblies, and bethels.
- Stimulate discussion on how lodges are able to financially support local chapters, assemblies, and bethels.

## **COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY PLANNING**

This committee was established to provide Lodges with information and resources that will help them to be better prepared for emergencies and to ensure their meeting place is safe from hazards.

## **COMMITTEE ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

It shall be the duty of this committee to coordinate with the various subordinate lodges to procure, edit, and proof a historical sketch of each respective lodge. They shall utilize the compilation of historical sketches collected by Past Grand Master James N. Saunders as a basis for their work. The end goal of this committee is to publish a multivolume set of the histories of the subordinate lodges, as well as a compilation of biographies of the Past Grand Masters, in conjunction with the 225th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M.

## **COMMITTEE ON MASONS HELPING MASONS**

The Masons Helping Masons Program was designed to help brother Masons who are in need. After a lodge has contributed to a brother's relief, the lodge may then apply to this program for additional help, if needed, for that brother.

This program was first started by M.W.P.G.M. Brother Herman Forrester for lodges, and expanded later to include individual brothers by M.W.P.G.M. Brother Chris Stout.

By the sale of items which fund this program, such as ties, caps, Grand Master Coins and knives, we are able to have funds available to relieve the distressed.

## **COMMITTEE ON MASONRY MATTERS**

The committee on Masonry Matters was started by Brother Bill Cunningham in far West Kentucky. It was designed to encourage lodges to get involved in our local schools, by helping with the various needs of the children which remain unfunded by existing public programs.

## **COMMITTEE ON FIRST RESPONDERS**

This committee was started by M.W.P.G.M. Todd Jones to recognize and honor our First Responders, the local men and women who put themselves in harm's way each day so that we may continue to enjoy the safety of the world in which we live.

I urge EACH lodge to honor them with a dinner, cookout, breakfast, special program or event to show them, and others in our communities, how important they are to us.

## **COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS**

This committee was established by M.W.P.G.M. and current R.W. Brother Donald H. Yankey, Grand Secretary, and with this program, we honor our veterans in several ways. We annually assist in funding and supporting our active military and veterans with events across our state.

This year we will continue going into the National, State, and local cemeteries to assist with cleanup and placing flags (done on the Saturday before) in preparation of Memorial Day, also known as Decoration Day. Flags should be retrieved by the following Tuesday.

If your lodge can't travel to one of the National or State Veteran Cemeteries, you may choose a local

cemetery to adopt. Please inform your District Deputy, Area Officer, or the Grand Master if you choose this option.

## BOOK OF MASONIC CONSTITUTION

Become familiar with the index and articles of the Book of Constitution so you can answer questions you will be asked when you visit lodges. **Do not give answers to a constitutional question from memory - instead, read the section of the Constitution pertaining to the question in order to correctly guide the brothers to the proper answer.** This process will prevent misunderstandings of the question at hand. In instances where an interpretation of the Constitution is required to settle an issue, refer the questionable section(s) to the Area Officer, and the Grand Master, if necessary. In most instances the questions on Masonic law that may arise can be answered by reading or referring to the section of the Constitution pertaining to the issue. Be sure that all lodges in your district have an up-to-date Constitution. Each lodge received two copies of the updates for the Constitution, after the most recent Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. Encourage the lodge to refer to it often, as the laws governing our fraternity help to protect the integrity of our order. Suggest that each lodge periodically have brief programs on the Constitution, using selected sections as topics, in order that the Craft may become familiar and comfortable with the Constitution. You may want to utilize the Constitutional Quiz provided by the Committee on Masonic Scholars to increase the knowledge of our Constitution.

Impress upon the lodge Secretary that he is to submit a list of the newly elected and/or appointed officers of the lodge electronically. This electronic submission should be completed as soon as possible following the election of officers in December. This can be done prior to installation. In any case, the submission **must be received in the Grand Lodge Office prior to Sunday, January 12, 2023**, even if the officers have yet to be installed.

Also, encourage the lodge Secretary to enter the information on the lodge income, electronically on the Grand Lodge database. Additionally, each lodge must file a 990-N Electronic Postcard on the IRS Website if their annual income is under \$50,000. Those over \$50,000 will fill out a 990EZ or regular 990 Form. This information is required by the IRS with a deadline being the 15th day of the 5th month after the close of their fiscal year. **Either way, ALL Masonic Lodges must file electronically on the IRS Website to retain their tax-exempt status.**

## GRAND MASTER'S PINS/SPECIAL EVENTS/PROGRAMS

### GRAND MASTER'S PIN AND COIN

This year's Grand Master's Pin is round with a blue background a gold band around the circumference and a gold band around the center. In the center of the pin is the square and compass with the letter "G", which symbolizes Masonry around the world. Also displayed curving around the top of the pin is: "Grand Lodge of Kentucky F.& A.M.." and curving around the bottom is: "E. Darren Wilson Grand Master". Printed on the center gold band is the Grand Master Slogan "WE ARE OUR BROTHERS KEEPER" The Dates 2022 and 2023 are on each side of the face of the pin.



## GRAND MASTER'S VETERANS PROGRAM/PINS AND COINS

The Grand Master's Veterans Pin proudly displays the American Flag. The square and compass at the bottom of the pin, symbolizes Masonic support for our Veterans. The words "KENTUCKY MASONS HONORING OUR VETERANS" are wrapped in a circular fashion around the outer circumference of the pin. Centered across the back of the pin in raised lettering, is printed, "E. Darren Wilson" on the first line, with "Grand Master" on the second line, and "2022-2023" on the third line.

The Grand Master's Veterans Coin is made in the shape and size of a military Dog Tag, the front of which proudly displays the American Flag, the square and compass and the words "E. Darren Wilson Grand Master 2022-2023" at the top and "Grand Lodge of Kentucky F&AM" at the bottom. The back of the coin displays the several branches of our military, the words "KENTUCKY MASONS" at the top and "HONORING OUR VETERANS" at the bottom. This patriotic coin is a tribute to our Nation's heroes.

Proceeds from the Masonic Veterans Pin and Coin sales will benefit Veteran Recognition Programs across the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Many of our schools across the state hold assemblies and other such programs around Veterans Day to recognize and show support for our veterans. Schools are always looking for Veterans to speak at these events, so please volunteer and support this program.



## GRAND MASTER'S ATV RIDES 2022-2023

We will continue to have the ATV rides at The ATV Park in Madisonville, Muddin' with the Masons in Williamsburg and Knott County Ride in Eastern Kentucky. All other events will be posted in the Masonic Home Journal and on the Grand Lodge website. **DATES AND TIMES: TBA**

## GRAND MASTER'S MASONIC SCHOLAR PROGRAM

This Program was started by M.W.P.G.M Cloyd J Bumgardner.

### Books of Constitution Quiz

Interested Masons, who successfully complete the current year quiz will earn a certificate which may be presented at district meetings or sent electronically to the participant's lodge Secretary for presentation. The quiz is an open book test on the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and may be completed individually or in a group setting. The Quiz may be taken by all masons including EA's and FC's. The quiz is intended to spur discussion about the Constitution as well as initiate interest for further study. The quiz consists of 23 multiple choice questions. The article where an answer can be found will be given. A brother must successfully give the letter answer and section. A brother must have at least 17 correct answers to pass. Successful completion of this program is one of the requirements for the Grand Master's Lodge of Excellence Award.

## **NEW History of Kentucky Masonic lodge Quiz**

Interested Masons, who successfully complete this quiz will earn a certificate which may be presented at district meetings or sent to the participant's lodge Secretary for presentation. The quiz is an open book test and may be completed individually or in a group setting. The Quiz may be taken by all masons including EA's and FC's. The quiz consists of 20 multiple choice questions and 15 correct answers are required to pass. A study guide will be made available, information for which was taken from H.B. Grants Book "Doings of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Mason 1800-1900

## **GRAND LODGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The Grand Lodge Scholarship, originated by Past Grand Master Ernest C. Jackson, will be awarded to one lodge in each of the 3 Areas that has claimed the Traveling Tiler's Sword and accumulated the most miles, starting in October 22, 2022 until May 5, 2023. The lodges that qualify will receive a \$2000 Scholarship to be awarded to a graduating high school graduate of their choice by the end of May 2023. After May 31, 2023, the Lodges that claim the Tiler's Sword with the most miles accumulated in each area will be awarded a plaque of achievement at the 2023 Annual Communication. The last date for claiming the Tiler's Sword is September 1, 2023. The lodge that has claimed it last will bring the Tiler's Sword to the 224 Annual Grand Lodge Communication in Louisville, Kentucky. Each lodge should be promoting visitation. Visiting other lodges can be very rewarding as it increases fraternal fellowship. The purpose of the Grand Lodge Scholarship Program is to aid in a student furthering his/her education.

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## **GRAND MASTER'S 2022-2023 STATEWIDE TRAVELING TILER'S SWORD PROGRAM**

The Grand Master will have a Statewide Traveling Tiler's Sword Program. The Tiler's Sword, location can be tracked using the locator found on the Grand Lodge of Kentucky website and/or the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Statewide Traveling Tiler's Sword, Location Facebook Page (see Appendix D). It is important that you follow the directions contained in the Tiler's Sword case to ensure that its location is kept updated, so all lodges have an opportunity to claim it. One or more Masons may claim the Tiler's Sword at any Masonic meeting. It must be claimed and presented in a tiled or open meeting to count. Make sure to follow the directions and sign the registry contained in the Tiler's Sword case. The Tiler's Sword will begin at O.D. Henderson Lodge #437 on Saturday October 22, 2022. Rules for claiming the Sword will be posted on the Location Facebook page and a copy will be included in the Sword Case.

As Masons, we are taught that the Tiler's sword enables him to effectually guard against the approach of cowans and eavesdroppers, and suffer none to pass but such as are duly qualified, so it should morally serve as a constant admonition to us, to set a guard at the entrance of our thoughts; to place a watch at the door of our lips; to post a sentinel at the avenue of our actions, thereby excluding every unqualified and unworthy thoughts word, and deed; and preserving consciences void of offense toward God and toward man.

## DISTRICT MASON OF THE YEAR

Each District Deputy Grand Master will nominate a Kentucky Mason, in their district, to be the “District Mason of the year.” Upon review and agreement of the Grand Master, this Kentucky Mason will receive a Plaque and be recognized, at his district meeting, if in attendance. The deadline for submissions of nominations to the Grand Master is January 01, 2023. This deadline will allow adequate time to have the plaques made and the D.D.G.M. time to arrange for the honoree to attend the district meeting.

## DISTRICT TRAVELING GAVEL PROGRAM

The District Deputy Grand Master is asked to maintain and promote the traveling gavel program in his district. Each district should have a Traveling Gavel, and the District Deputy Grand Master should always know where it is located. It is his responsibility to keep the gavel traveling from lodge to lodge. The guidelines below are only suggestions on how the District Traveling Gavel Program might work. **If your district has a program in place, then continue with it instead.** The purpose of this program is to encourage Masonic travel within the district.

The Traveling Gavel must be placed in clear view of all visiting Brothers.

### Suggestions for claiming the Traveling Gavel

1. The traveling gavel may be claimed from a lodge on any regular or lawfully called meeting, excluding only Masonic Funeral Rites.
2. The traveling gavel may be claimed by:
  - a. Whichever lodge has the most visitors present.
  - b. If there is a tie, the lodge that traveled the farthest will receive the gavel.
  - c. The Traveling Gavel will be presented before closing the lodge.
  - d. The lodge receiving the gavel will notify the District Deputy.

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3. **If the District Traveling Gavel has not moved in more than month since being claimed, the lodge holding it is encouraged to take the gavel to another lodge of their choosing in their district.**

## GRAND MASTER’S LODGE OF EXCELLENCE AWARD PROGRAM, 2022-2023

The Grand Master’s Lodge of Excellence Award is designed to raise the overall proficiency of a lodge by increasing visibility within the community and the fraternity. Lodges attaining the award will receive it at the 2023 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. They must meet the requirements from September 1, 2022, through August 1, 2023. All applications must be signed by the Master of the lodge and certified by the lodge Secretary, with his signature and the seal of the lodge. Applications must be received by the Grand Lodge Office by August 15, 2023. The requirements for this award are based on input from individual lodges, Past Grand Masters, previous excellence programs and the Grand Master himself. The purpose of this program is to encourage lodges to become very active in their communities and in Masonic knowledge and procedures.

\*See Appendix I for the Grand Master’s Excellence Award Program\*

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER NAMES AND CONTACT INFORMATION

### AREA NO. 1 (GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN IS AREA OFFICER)

District	Name	Cell Phone	Email
1	Kenneth Byassee	270-994-1877	kennethbyassee@gmail.com
2	Douglas Garnett	270-804-3975	dougarnett64@gmail.com
3	Bruce Von Dwingelo	270-969-0239	bvondwingelo@vol.com
4	Gregory Whitson	270-847-7008	gregwhitson@russellville.kyschools.us
5	Keith Major	270-635-2999	Keithmmajor44@yahoo.com
6	David Hinton	270-825-2927	wappapello6555@yahoo.com
7	L. Todd Johnson	270-302-8189	tojo1876@gmail.com
8	Mark "Bo" Swift	270-256-9602	boswift6406@yahoo.com
9	Matthew Skaggs	270-268-4221	matts1448@gmail.com
10	William Ranburger	270-796-1925	wranburger@twc.com

### AREA NO. 2 (GRAND SENIOR WARDEN IS AREA OFFICER)

District	Name	Cell Phone	Email
11	Ralph Gentry	270-759-3266	ralphgentry@glasgow-ky.com
12	John Grider	606-706-5124	johngrider33@yahoo.com
13	Clinton Carrier	502-417-4799	deltaupsilonguy@gmail.com
14	Thomas Harper	502-417-3996	drharper@louisvilleoa.com
15	Conrad Everly	502-321-6159	radman.2005springer@gmail.com
16	Anthony Wells	270-528-4220	awells@scrtc.com
17	Michael Martin	502-599-7807	omegaky@aol.com
18	Charles Black Jr	859-512-7036	cdblack@fuse.net
19	Steve Rowlette	859-393-3203	steve@rowlette1.com
20	Troy Blair	859-351-4224	eliteexpressllc@yahoo.com

### AREA NO. 3 (DEPUTY GRAND MASTER IS AREA OFFICER)

District	Name	Cell Phone	Email
21	David Gambrel	606-875-8308	dkg_171@gmail.com
22	Mark Davis	606-687-0759	kyctsmark@yahoo.com
23	Nathan Barker	606-315-2281	darrellnbarker@gmail.com
24	Justin Kinder	859-699-9497	justin_kinder@hotmail.com
25	Daniel Deaton	859-779-9514	daniel.deaton@gmail.com
26	Simmie Morris	606-681-5853	simedawg1@windstream.net
27	Joshua LeMaster	606-776-3249	joshhvac@hotmail.com
28	Mark Stewart	304-9287221	onyx69ss@yahoo.com
29	Danny Staton	606-670-9964	dbjaa@yahoo.com
30	Harold Link	606-273-0504	comingupros96562@bellsouth.net

## DISTRICT MEETING SCHEDULE 2023

On fridays, meals will be at 6:00 pm and meetings at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted.

On saturdays, early meals will start at 11:00 am and meetings at 12:00 pm. Evening meals will start at 5:00 pm and meetings at 6:00 PM, **PREVAILING TIME**. Meeting facilities are to be determined by the District Deputy Grand Master after consulting with the lodges in his district.

Please refer to page 4: Planning the District Meeting.

DAY	DATE	DISTRICT	TIME
Friday	March 3, 2023	27	7:00 PM
Saturday	March 4, 2023	28	12:00 PM
Saturday	March 4, 2023	29	6:00 PM
Friday	March 10, 2023	30	7:00 PM
Saturday	March 11, 2023	26	12:00 PM
Saturday	March 11, 2023	22	6:00 PM
Friday	March 17, 2023	1	7:00 PM
Saturday	March 18, 2023	2	12:00 PM
Saturday	March 18, 2023	3	6:00 PM
Friday	March 24, 2023	5	7:00 PM
Saturday	March 25, 2023	7	12:00 PM
Saturday	March 25, 2023	8	6:00 PM
Friday	March 31, 2023	24	7:00 PM
Saturday	April 1, 2023	23	12:00 PM
Friday	April 14, 2023	17	7:00 PM
Saturday	April 15, 2023	21	12:00 PM
Saturday	April 15, 2023	25	6:00 PM
Friday	April 21, 2023	15	7:00 PM
Saturday	April 22, 2023	12/13/14	6:00 PM
Friday	April 28, 2023	9	7:00 PM
Saturday	April 29, 2023	11	12:00 PM
Saturday	April 29, 2023	16	6:00 PM
Saturday	May 6, 2023	18/19	12:00 PM
Saturday	May 6, 2023	20	6:00 PM
Friday	May 19, 2023	4	7:00 PM
Saturday	May 20, 2023	6	12:00 PM
Saturday	May 20, 2023	10	6:00 PM



**MASONIC EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION**  
**NO MEALS ARE TO BE SERVED**  
**DRESS CASUAL - ALL MEETING TIMES ARE PREVAILING TIMES**

This year the Grand Lodge of Kentucky will present the Masonic Education Conferences in a dual format. These formats will include a video-conference available statewide and visits to six specific locations around the state by the Education Committee, scheduled as follows:

First, a video-conference will be conducted on Saturday, January 28, 2023. The conference will be held at 12:00pm EST, 11:00am CST, and will originate from the Grand Lodge Office in Louisville, Kentucky. Please consult with your District Deputy Grand Masters about the location of the conference in your Masonic District.

Second, The Grand Lodge Officers and Education Committee members will travel to six locations around the Commonwealth for Masonic Education Meetings. The same information will be presented in these meetings as was presented during the video-conference. The dates and times for these meetings are as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Friday, Feb. 3, 2023	7:00 pm CDT	Clinton Lodge 82 110 Masonic Drive Princeton, KY 42445
Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023	10:00 am CDT	Bear Wallow/Cave City 231 702 N. Dixie Highway Cave City, KY 42127
Saturday, Feb. 4, 2023	4:00 pm EDT	Bullet Lodge 155 376 High School Drive Shepherdsville, KY 40202
Friday, Feb. 10, 2023	7:00 pm EDT	Mt, Vernon Lodge 14 222 East Main St Georgetown KY 40324
Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023	10:00 am EDT	McKee Lodge 144 109 South Broad Street London, KY 40741
Saturday, Feb. 11, 2023	4:00 pm EDT	Paintsville Lodge 381 408 2nd Street Paintsville, KY 41240

**These dates, times and locations will be in the Masonic Home Journal.**

## APPENDIX A

### SAMPLE AGENDA FOR YOUR DISTRICT MEETING

#### SAMPLE DISTRICT MEETING ITENERARY

TIME	MEAL 1- 1.5 HOURS BEFORE START OF MEETING
15 MIN PRIOR	BEGIN SEATING MEMBERS/ LINE UP DIGNITARIES
ON THE HOUR	OPEN LODGE
00:02	ENTER DDGM- PUBLIC HONORS/ CROWN & GAVEL
00:05	ENTER ELECTED GL OFFICERS/ APPOINTED GL OFFICERS/ COMMITTEES PUBLIC HONORS
00:09	ENTER GRAND MASTER/ TAKEN TO ALTAR THEN EAST PRIVATE HONORS/ OFFERED CROWN & GAVEL
00:10	STATE OF DISTRICT/ BRIEF SYNOPSIS
00:25	EDUCATION SPEAKER
00:40	ROLL CALL OF LODGES/ VISITORS
00:50	RECOGNIZE VETERANS/ OLDEST VETERAN- PUBLIC HONORS
00:53	RECOGNIZE OLDEST MEMBER- APPLAUSE
00:55	RECOGNIZE YOUNGEST MASTER MASON- MASONIC HOMES
TOP OF HR	CALL TO REFRESHMENT/ RAFFLES IF APPLICABLE/ RECOGNIZE LADIES
00:05	BACK TO LABOR
00:05	MASONS HELPING MASONS/ PURPOSE/ CONSTITUTION QUIZ RECIPIENTS
00:10	GRAND MASTER'S PROGRAMS/ CURRENT EVENTS
00:25	FINAL REMARKS D.D.G.M.
00:35	FINAL REMARKS PGM'S (IF PRESENT)
00:40	AREA OFFICER ANNOUNCES ATTENDANCE AWARDS
00:45	FINAL REMARKS AREA OFFICER
00:50	FINAL REMARKS GRAND MASTER

TIME SHALL BE GIVEN AT THE MEAL PORTION FOR PRESENTATIONS AND/OR FOR ANY AP-PENDANT BODIES TO SPEAK.

## APPENDIX B

### RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following is the order of introduction and is in reverse order of their entrance. It takes into account that rank is introduced from lowest to highest, with the Grand Master entering last. Introductions are made starting on the far right of the person doing the introductions. The line will form at the rear, with the highest-ranking officer at the door. All distinguished guests are received together, in one large group, and given Public Grand Honors, three times three. The Grand Master is always received last, by himself. He is introduced west of the Altar, then brought to the East, and given the Private Grand Honors, the three signs of Masonry.

Distinguished guests will be received in the following order:

Leadership of the Masonic Homes.

Heads of affiliated bodies. (Scottish Rite, York Rite, and other bodies)

Grand Lodge Committee Members. (Example: Worshipful Brother John Doe, Committee on By-Laws)

Current District Deputy Grand Masters from other Districts. (Example: Worshipful Brother John Doe, District Deputy Grand Master District 10)

Current Appointed Grand Lodge Officers. (Example: Worshipful Brother John Doe, Grand Senior Deacon)

Past Grand Masters. (Example: Most Worshipful Brother John Doe, Past Grand Master)

Elected Grand Lodge Officers. (Example: Right Worshipful Brother John Doe, Deputy Grand Master)

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Kentucky. (Example: Most Worshipful Brother John Doe, Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky) (Private Grand Honors – 3 signs of Masonry – EA, FC, MM) (Please NO CLAPPING)

The Lodge is called up when Grand Lodge Officers enter. The proper form is, “I present to you and to the Craft here assembled Worshipful Brother John Doe District Deputy Grand Master District No. 1 and Right Worshipful Brother John Doe, Deputy Grand Master.” Only Grand Lodge Officers are entitled to public grand honors, however, if Grand Lodge Officers and others are introduced simultaneously, then all may be given public grand honors of “three times three”.

After the initial reception of distinguished guests, the D.D.G.M. will explain how to give the Private Grand Honors. The Grand Master is presented West of the altar, introduced, and acknowledged by the D.D.G.M. who directs the Marshal or Senior Deacon to conduct the Grand Master to the East (to the right of the District Deputy). The Private Grand Honors are then given, the Grand Master is offered the crown and gavel, and is extended the courtesy to conduct the meeting.

Note: The initial line up places the Elected Grand Lodge Officers at the door. Even though they enter first, they are introduced last.

## APPENDIX C

**THIS FORM IS TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED ALONG WITH A COPY OF THE CURRENT LODGE BY LAWS TO THE D.D.G.M. BY FEBRUARY 28 2023**

LODGE NAME \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

LODGE ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

STREET CITY ZIP

GPS LOCATION\* LATITUDE \_\_\_\_\_ LONGITUDE \_\_\_\_\_

MASTER \_\_\_\_\_ PROFICIENT: YES NO

SENIOR WARDEN \_\_\_\_\_ PROFICIENT: YES NO

JUNIOR WARDEN \_\_\_\_\_ PROFICIENT: YES NO

# OF RITUALISTS \_\_\_\_\_ # OF FIRST RESPONDERS \_\_\_\_\_ # OF VETERANS \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT COPY OF CONSTITUTION BOOK PRESENT AND ACCESSIBLE YES NO

\*NOTE THE SMALL BLUE BINDER VERSION IS NOT THE CURRENT VERSION

LODGE BY-LAWS

**\*NOTE: A COPY OF CURRENT LODGE BY LAWS IS TO BE PROVIDED TO D.D.G.M.**

DATE WRITTEN \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE THE BY-LAWS BEEN APPROVED BY GRAND LODGE BY-LAWS COMMITTEE? \_\_\_\_\_

HAS A COPY OF MOST RECENT BY-LAWS BEEN SENT TO THE GRAND SECRETARY? \_\_\_\_\_

HAS SECRETARY FILED ANNUAL IRS FORM 990 OR 990-N FOR CURRENT YEAR? \_\_\_\_\_

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS:

# OF BICYCLES \_\_\_\_\_ # OF SCHOLARSHIPS \_\_\_\_\_ BACKPACK PROGRAM: YES NO

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

MASTER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF FIRST VISIT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF OFFICIAL VISIT \_\_\_\_\_

## APPENDIX D

District	Facebook Page
1	District#1 Masonic Lodges, Grand Lodge of Kentucky
2	District #2 Masonic Lodges, Grand Lodge of Kentucky
3	District 3 GLKY
4	District 4 Masonic Lodges, Grand Lodge of Kentucky
5	District 5, Grand Lodge of Kentucky
6	Masonic District 6 Grand Lodge of Kentucky F & AM
7	Masonic District #7, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
8	Masonic District #8, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
9	District 9 Kentucky F&AM
10	District #10 Masonic Lodges
11	Masonic District #11, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
12,13,14	Districts 12,13 & 14 Masonic Lodges
15	District 15 – Kentucky Free & Accepted Masons
16	Masonic District #16, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
17	Masonic District #17, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
18	Masonic District #18 & 19, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
19	Masonic District #18 & 19, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
20	District 20
21	Masonic District #21, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
22	Grand Lodge of Kentucky, District # 22
23	District #23 Masonic Lodges
24	Masonic District #24, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
25	District 25
26	KY. Masons District 26
27	Kentucky Masonic District 27
28	District #28 Masonic Lodges
29	Kentucky District 29 Masons
30	Masonic District #30, Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A.M.
Additional	Kentucky Freemasons
Additional	Brother to Brother
Additional	GLKY Grand Master's Statewide Traveling Tyler's Sword
Additional	Masonic Homes of Kentucky, Inc.
Additional	Masonic Homes of Shelbyville
Additional	GLKY Constitution
Additional	Eastern KY Masons
Additional	Western KY Masons

All pages should be monitored for appropriate content and any inappropriate material removed by the administrator(s). The protocols governing social media found on the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Website must be followed.

## APPENDIX E

### Sample Letter to Educational Incentive Program to Promote Student Attendance

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_ Free and Accepted

Masons donates \_\_\_\_\_  
(bicycles, laptops, scholarship, food assistance, backpack program etc. – name type of program)

to:

\_\_\_\_\_ School, located in

\_\_\_\_\_, Kentucky as an incentive to promote good

student attendance during the 2021-2022 school year.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Master of Lodge

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of School Principal/Designated Rep.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **APPENDIX F**

### **TALKING POINTS FOR BICYCLE PRESENTATION**

1. Local Masons know you need an education to succeed in today's world.
2. In order to be successful and improve your situation in life you need to be able to read, write and do math well. You also need to work hard and communicate well.
3. You must attend school regularly to learn the skills you need for success in life.
4. Your local lodge members want to encourage your students to attend school regularly and we are donating this/these \_\_\_\_\_ to your school as an educational/attendance incentive.

## APPENDIX G

### MASONIC BLUEGRASS RITUALIST AWARDS 2022 – 2023

To receive this pin a brother must prove he has previously been or is currently a Ritualist.

(Ritualist 100 – 125), (Senior Ritualist 126 – 150), (Master Ritualist 151 – 240)

A brother must perform work from the list below to achieve this prestigious recognition. All lectures must be given from memory and not read. Consult with the Bluegrass Ritual Chairman; Mark Hume, 859-582-7054, mark.hume@hyster-yale.com.

Points	Work
5	Confer Senior Deacon 1st Section on EA
5	Confer Senior Deacon 1st Section on FC
5	Confer Senior Deacon 1st Section on MM
5	Confer the Working Tools lecture on EA
5	Confer the Working Tools lecture on FC
5	Confer the Working Tools lecture on MM
5	Confer the Charge EA
5	Confer the Charge FC
5	Confer the Charge MM
5	Confer Short Bible Lecture-EA
5	Confer Short Apron Lecture-EA
5	Confer Minor speaking part of MM second section
5	Confer the Address to a Newly Raised Brother
5	Confer Letter “G” lecture FC Degree
5	Open a MM Lodge by setting in all three principle stations M, SW, & JW
5	Open a FC Lodge by setting in all three principle stations M, SW, & JW
5	Open an EA Lodge by setting in all three principle stations M, SW, & JW
5	Confer the EA Obligation
5	Confer the FC Obligation
10	Confer the MM Obligation
10	Confer EA Degree first section
10	Confer FC Degree first section
10	Confer MM Degree first section
10	Major speaking part in MM second Section (KS, JM, or Zeph)
10	Can teach (coach) Lecture on any degree through “reinvestment”

To be a Master Ritualist you must confer at least one of the following:

- 20 Confer the Second Section “Stair” Lecture in the FC Degree (chart or slides)
- 20 Confer the Third Section in the MM Degree (chart or slides)
- 20 Confer Masonic Funeral Rite
- 20 Confer the Annual Installation of Officers
- 20 Confer the EA degree Third Section (chart or slides)



5	Perform Senior Deacon 1 <sup>st</sup> Section EA	
5	Perform Senior Deacon 1 <sup>st</sup> Section FC	
5	Perform Senior Deacon 1 <sup>st</sup> Section MM	
5	Confer the Working Tools Lecture on EA	
5	Confer the Working Tools Lecture on FC	
5	Confer the Working Tools Lecture on MM	
5	Confer the Charge EA	
5	Confer the Charge FC	
5	Confer the Charge MM	
5	Confer Short Bible Lecture-EA	
5	Confer Short Apron Lecture-EA	
5	Confer Minor Speaking Part of MM second section	
5	Confer the Address to Newly Raised Brothers	
5	Confer Third Section Letter "G" FC Degree	
5	Open a MM Lodge by sitting in all three principal stations M, SW, JW	
5	Open a FC Lodge by sitting in all three principal stations M, SW, JW	
5	Open a EA Lodge by sitting in all three principal stations M, SW, JW	
5	Confer the EA Obligation	
5	Confer the FC Obligation	
10	Confer the MM Obligation	
10	Confer EA Degree first section	
10	Confer FC Degree first section	
10	Confer MM Degree first section	
10	Major speaking part in MM second section (KS, JM, or Zeph.)	
10	Can teach (coach) Lecture on any degree through "Reinvestment".	
	<i>To be awarded Master Ritualist you must confer one of the following.</i>	
	<i>You can obtain the points for any or all of them.</i>	
20	Confer the Stair Lecture in the FC Degree (chart or slides)	
20	Confer the Third Section in the MM Degree (chart or slides)	
20	Confer Masonic Funeral Rite	
20	Confer the Annual Installation of Officers	
20	Confer the EA degree Third Section (chart or slides)	
Total		

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

LODGE: \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PI: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Upon my sacred honor as a Master Mason, I certify this record

## APPENDIX H

# DISTRICT MASON OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

District#: \_\_\_\_\_ District Deputy Grand Master: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Kentucky Mason in this district to be Nominated:

## Nominees Information

Lodge Name and Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Lodge ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Current Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons this Kentucky Mason should receive this award: \_\_\_\_\_

D.D.G.M.: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

signature

The deadline for submissions of nominations to the Grand Master is January 01, 2023, and may be emailed to [edarrenwilson@gmail.com](mailto:edarrenwilson@gmail.com)

## APPENDIX I



### GRAND MASTER'S LODGE OF EXCELENCE AWARD

The Grand Master's Lodge of Excellence Award has very high achievement requirements and is the highest award a lodge can receive. Although the qualifications are set high, a lodge can choose those areas in which they currently excel and then look to the challenges that best suit the talents of its officers and members.

The award is designed to raise the overall proficiency of a lodge by encouraging it to broaden its horizons and increase its visibility and activity within its community. The Grand Master's Lodge of Excellence Award will be presented during the 224th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky in October 2023 to those lodges that complete all five (5) mandatory tasks and at least two (2) tasks from each of the remaining categories beginning November 1, 2022 and continuing through August 1, 2023. Lodges are encouraged to submit notices to local media about receiving the award.

All applications must be signed by the Worshipful Master and certified by the Lodge Secretary with his signature and the seal of the lodge. The applications must be received by the Grand Lodge Office by August 15, 2023.

#### Mandatory Category

Lodges are required to complete all of these tasks in this mandatory category.

Task	Description
M1	Establish a committee to contact Widows and Shut-ins and provide reports which are reflected in the minutes each month.
M2	Principal five officers pass the 2022-2023 Constitution Quiz.
M3	The Master reads an Article and its sections from the Constitution at each stated meeting.
M4	Review lodge bylaws during a stated communication, update as needed, then ensure that the Grand Secretary has the most up-to-date copy.
M5	Complete monthly lodge safety checklists.

### Brotherhood Category

Lodges are required to complete at least two (2) tasks in this brotherhood category.

Task	Description
B1	Host a guest educational speaker from another lodge.
B2	Establish or maintain a system to send meeting reminders and other announcements.
B3	Host an event for members of the lodge and their families (e.g., Past Master's Night, award presentations, holiday gathering).
B4	Conduct a Master Mason re-obligation ceremony.
B5	Establish or sustain a Mason of the Year recognition program with a certificate and/or plaque.

### Community Category

Lodges are required to complete at least two (2) tasks in this community category.

Task	Description
C1	Donate food and/or funds to a school's backpack program.
C2	Donate goods and/or volunteer at a food pantry.
C3	Conduct a community service project. Examples include Adopt a Highway, cemetery cleanup, and hosting a community blood drive.
C4	Participate in a community event (e.g., festival or parade) and provide Masonic information.
C5	Host an open installation of officers and invite the public where feasible.

### Governance Category

Lodges are required to complete at least two (2) tasks in this governance category.

Task	Description
G1	All officers <b><u>elected</u></b> and <b><u>appointed</u></b> hold a MM proficiency card.
G2	Establish and approve a budget for the lodge.
G3	The Master and at least 2 lodge officers attend an in-person education meeting
G4	Master installs his own officers from memory using ceremonies contained within the Kentucky Monitor or Kentucky Ritual.
G5	Minimum of 10% of membership participates in the District Meeting. [ <b>Tie this into the Attendance Award.</b> ] 10% of total membership OR Master +15

### **Service Category**

Lodges are required to complete at least two (2) tasks in this service category.

Task	Description
S1	A member of the lodge assists another lodge by providing a lecture or educational presentation as part of a stated or called communication.
S2	Participate in the Masonic Homes Great Day of Service.
S3	Host an event recognizing veterans and/or first responders.
S4	Minimum of 5 members travel as a group to each lodge in the same district.
S5	Adopt a Resident at the Masonic Homes.

### **Supporting Our Youth Category**

Lodges are required to complete at least two (2) tasks in this education incentive category.

Task	Description
Y1	Donate bicycles to schools for attendance incentives.
Y2	Contribute to a local music education program. EG. ASSIST PURCHASE OF A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT
Y3	Provide a scholarship for college and/or trade school.
Y4	Participate in a school's career or vocational day.
Y5	Support an appendant Masonic youth body by making a donation, attending their event, or participating in a service program. Example: Two members attend the installation or ceremony.

**GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY  
GRAND MASTER'S LODGE OF EXCELLENCE AWARD  
E. DARREN WILSON, GRAND MASTER 2022-2023**

Lodge Name:	Lodge Number:
Mailing Address:	
City:	State:      Postal Code:

**Application for Consideration**

Use the table below to indicate which initiatives the lodge completed throughout the year by circling the corresponding task identifier for each category. All five tasks must be completed for the mandatory category. Other categories require at least two tasks to be completed. By applying, the lodge shall furnish any supporting documentation only upon request of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. **Do not submit any additional documentation at this time.**

CATEGORY	<i>Required Tasks</i>	Task Completed	Task Completed	Task Completed	Task Completed	Task Completed
Mandatory	<b>5</b>	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5
Brotherhood	<b>2</b>	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5
Community	<b>2</b>	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5
Governance	<b>2</b>	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5
Service	<b>2</b>	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5
Youth	<b>2</b>	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5

Upon my sacred honor as a Master Mason and under the seal of this lodge, I hereby certify the information provided for the consideration of obtaining the Grand Master's Lodge of Excellence Award to be accurate and true. I further understand the Grand Lodge of Kentucky may request supporting documentation for any claimed task.

\_\_\_\_\_  
MASTER'S SIGNATURE      DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE      DATE

*LODGE SEAL*

\_\_\_\_\_  
MASTER'S NAME PRINTED

\_\_\_\_\_  
SECRETARY'S NAME PRINTED

APPENDIX J

DISTRICT MEETING SIGN- IN SHEET

DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

Master \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Warden \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Warden \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Chaplain \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Deacon \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Deacon \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Steward \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Steward \_\_\_\_\_

Tiler \_\_\_\_\_

Members


**APPENDIX K**

**EDUCATION MEETING SIGN- IN SHEET**

**DISTRICT:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge \_\_\_\_\_

Master \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Warden \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Warden \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Chaplain \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Deacon \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Deacon \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Steward \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Steward \_\_\_\_\_

Tiler \_\_\_\_\_

**Members**




## APPENDIX L

### GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY Monthly Lodge Safety Checklist

<b>LODGE NAME &amp; NUMBER</b>	
<b>LOCATION ADDRESS</b>	

GENERAL INSPECTION	IN COMPLIANCE		
First aid kit checked and full	Y	N	N/A
Exit lights working properly	Y	N	N/A
Doors, hallways, stairs, paths of travel clear of obstacles	Y	N	N/A
All flammable materials stored away from the furnace or hot water heater	Y	N	N/A
All areas clear of dust/trash accumulation	Y	N	N/A

KITCHEN / MESS HALL AREA	IN COMPLIANCE		
No accumulation of grease on stove, oven, hood, or vent filter	Y	N	N/A
No flammable materials near stove or oven	Y	N	N/A
No electrical cords near stove or oven	Y	N	N/A

ELECTRICAL	IN COMPLIANCE		
Cover plates on all switches and outlets	Y	N	N/A
Cover installed on the electrical panel	Y	N	N/A
No frayed or cracked electrical cords	Y	N	N/A
No more than one major appliance per outlet	Y	N	N/A
No "household" type extension cords with small gauge wire	Y	N	N/A
No multiple outlet adaptors in use	Y	N	N/A
Power strips with breaker used where multiple outlets are necessary	Y	N	N/A
Only three (3) prong appliance plugs are in use	Y	N	N/A
Air space around heat-producing appliances	Y	N	N/A

FURNACE / AIR CONDITIONER	IN COMPLIANCE		
Motor compartment clean and dust-free	Y	N	N/A
Filters changed (Date of last change _____)	Y	N	N/A

SMOKE DETECTORS					
	TYPE		TESTED AND WORKING		
1	AC	BATTERY	Y	N	N/A
2	AC	BATTERY	Y	N	N/A
3	AC	BATTERY	Y	N	N/A
4	AC	BATTERY	Y	N	N/A

CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS					
	TYPE		TESTED AND WORKING		
1	AC	BATTERY	Y	N	N/A
2	AC	BATTERY	Y	N	N/A
3	AC	BATTERY	Y	N	N/A

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS								
	TYPE	CHARGED		DAMAGED		INSPECTION DATE	NOTED ON TAG	
1		Y	N	Y	N		Y	N
2		Y	N	Y	N		Y	N
3		Y	N	Y	N		Y	N
4		Y	N	Y	N		Y	N

COMMENTS					

It is the responsibility of the Master to see that a safety inspection is performed prior to the first stated communication of each month and applies to all areas under the control of the lodge and/or temple company. All responses on the checklist should be a Y (yes) indicating compliance. Any N (no) response should be explained in the comments section and notification made to the Master. Completed forms should be placed on file with the Secretary.

NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING INSPECTION		MASTER NOTIFIED	
DATE INSPECTION COMPLETED		OF DEFICIENCIES	
DATE RECEIVED BY SECRETARY		Y	N



Masonic Homes Kentucky provides compassionate care at beautiful campuses in Louisville, Shelbyville, and Northern Kentucky. Our tradition of commitment to serving families and individuals began in 1867, when the first Masonic home in the nation opened its doors as a Widows and Orphans Home and Infirmary in Louisville, offering housing, meals, clothing, health care and education.

Today, Masonic Homes of Kentucky offers daily living and specialized services to people of all ages, regardless of affiliation. Our extensive continuum of care includes independent living, assisted living, personal care, rehabilitation therapies, memory care, skilled nursing care, home care, dialysis, and child development.

Through Masonic Home's Masonicare program, eligible Masons, their wives, and widows are provided quality care and housing, as well as general medical and living necessities like wheelchairs, glasses, transportation, meals, clothing and more.

A 21-member Board of Directors governs Masonic Homes of Kentucky. The Board of Directors are Masons elected to serve three year terms, and the six elected Grand Lodge officers. A senior management team manages the day-to-day operations of the communities and the corporation.

#### **Contact**

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### **First Lady Brenda Wilson Selects Masonicare for Annual Support Campaign**

Masonic Homes Kentucky was created in 1867 as an example of fulfilling the Masonic obligation to care for Masons, their wives, widows and children in their time of need. Though times have changed, the mission has not. Masonic Homes has nurtured a legacy of excellence and today it is recognized as a leader in providing award-winning care and services.

This legacy of caring continues through Masonicare, a program that provides charitable care and housing to Masons, their wives and widows who are unable to fully pay for their care and meet specific requirements. Residents are provided quality care and housing and general living necessities like wheel-chairs, glasses, transportation, meals, clothing and more.

Annually, Masonic incurs \$1.5 million through Masonicare, or \$215 per day. First Lady Brenda Wilson (2022-23) is passionate about the work of Masonic and has chosen to promote the Masonicare program during her year as First Lady. Brenda has created a beautiful red rose wreath pin that can be purchased for \$10 with all proceeds benefiting Masonicare. It's a proud way to show your support for a program that provides so much.

Pins may be obtained, or Donations made by contacting your Masonic Homes District Ambassador.

