

**GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY F. & A. M.**

**2025 - 2026**

**District Deputy Grand Master**

**Handbook**

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**LUKE MARTIN**

**GRAND MASTER**

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# **LETTER FROM LUKE MARTIN, 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. Preserving History
3. The Grand Master's Traveling Item
4. The Masons Helping Masons, Veterans and First Responders Programs
5. Attendance at the Educational Conferences and District Meetings
6. Following and understanding our Masonic Constitution
7. The "Charity of Your Choice"/ Bicycles, Scholarships, etc.
8. 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,  
Luke Martin  
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 three times** 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 will 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 for your benefit. 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 landmarks 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 the ladies are invited to attend the meal. 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: Grand Lodge of Kentucky, ATTN: Masonic Home Journal, PO Box 99159, Louisville, KY 40269. If you use e-mail send it to:

**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. **All the ladies in attendance should go first.** Next in line should be the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers. All others to follow.
4. If ladies are invited for the meal, you may have a program for them during the tiled meeting. **Please make this known in the journal** so that the ladies across the state can make plans to attend. If there is no program, please have them a comfortable place to gather.
5. Your meal should start 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. The Meal should start on time, even if the Grand Master is running late. 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.
6. 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. 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 2025 - 2026

An attendance award will be presented at the 2026 Grand Lodge Annual Communication 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. As stated in the constitution, if a lodge meets on the same day as the district meeting, then they can go dark in order to attend the district meeting.**

(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.)

## MASONIC YOUTH GROUP SUPPORT

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 to **Volunteer** their time.

### Roles

- **District Deputy Grand Masters** need to become familiar with the local chapters, assemblies, and bethels in their area or closest one to a specific geographic area.
- 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 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 January 10th, even if the officers have yet to be installed. Lodges can report their officers as soon as they have an election.**

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



This year's Grand Master Pin is the "all seeing eye" (also called the Eye of Providence).

In Free Masonry it represents the omniscient eye of God, while the "square and compass" symbolizes morality and the ability to act within proper boundaries, with the square representing ethical conduct and the compass signifying staying within limits; together, they represent the idea that a Freemason should always be mindful of their actions under God's watchful gaze.

### GRAND MASTER'S VETERAN'S PIN



The bald eagle, the American flag, and Masonic symbolism all carry profound significance in how America honors and supports its veterans, symbolizing gratitude, unity, and a commitment to those who have served.

- The Bald Eagle: As a symbol of strength and freedom, the bald eagle serves as a tribute to the courage and sacrifices of veterans who have defended those ideals. Its image often featured in military emblems, veteran organizations' logos, and memorials, embodying the nation's respect for their service.
- The American Flag: The flag is a central symbol in honoring veterans. From military funerals where

the flag is draped over caskets, to flag-folding ceremonies and events like Veterans Day parades, it represents the nation's unity and gratitude. The flag serves as a reminder of the freedoms and values that veterans have fought to protect.

- **Freemasonry Symbols:** Many veterans are members of the Freemasons, and the organization's emphasis on fraternity, charity, and moral integrity resonates with the values upheld by those in military service. Freemasonry has a long tradition of supporting veterans through charitable efforts, scholarships, and community programs, reflecting its ideals of service and mutual aid.

Together, these symbols help reinforce the nation's commitment to its veterans, reminding everyone of the sacrifices made to uphold the principles that define America. They inspire continued support, both in honoring their service and advocating for their well-being.

## **GRAND MASTER'S FUND RAISER EVENTS**

**First Responders Program** - Fundraiser event TBA

**May 9, 2026** – GOLF SCRAMBLE

Held at My Old Kentucky Home Golf Course – Supporting Veteran's programs

**May 9, 2026** – GRAND MASTER / EASTERN STAR DANCE

Located at the Kosiar Shrine – supporting the Rainbow Girls scholarships

**June 13, 2026** - GRAND MASTERS ATV RIDE Eastern Kentucky – Hosted by Jenkins Lodge

Located on the Hillbilly Trails in Dorton, KY – supporting Masons Helping Masons program

**June 20, 2026** - GRAND MASTERS CLAY SHOOT - Hosted by Bobby Allen and Bardwell Lodge – supporting Masons Helping Masons program

**June 27, 2026** - 2ND ANNUAL FIRST LADY'S SKEET & TRAP SHOOT - Hosted by Hood Lodge located at 300 Bubby Flanagan, Road Russell Springs, KY 42642 – Supporting Rite Care

**July 11, 2026** - GRAND MASTER CAR SHOW – Masonic Homes Campus – Masons Helping Masons

**August 8, 2026** – WESTERN KENTUCKY ATV RIDE - Hosted by Robert Knowles – supporting Masons Helping Masons program

**August 29, 2026** - GRAND MASTERS MOTORCYCLE RIDE (more info soon) – Supporting Rite Care, DeMolay and Rainbow Girls

## **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 30 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 28 correct answers to pass. Successful completion of this program is one of the requirements for the Grand Master's Lodge of Excellence Award.

## **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 18 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 All Seeing Eye and accumulated the most miles, starting in October 21, 2025 until May 1st, 2026. 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 2026. After May 31, 2026, the Lodges that claim the traveling All Seeing Eye with the most miles accumulated in each area will be awarded a plaque of achievement at the 2026 Annual Communication. The last date for claiming the Traveling ALL SEEING EYE is October 1, 2026. The lodge that has claimed it last will bring the ALL SEEING EYE to the 227th 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.

## **GRAND MASTER'S 2025-2026 STATEWIDE TRAVELING ALL SEEING EYE PROGRAM**

The Grand Master will have a Statewide Traveling All Seeing Eye program. The Traveling All Seeing Eye, location can be tracked using the locator found on the Grand Lodge of KY Facebook Page (see Appendix D). It is important that you follow the directions contained in the Traveling All Seeing Eye 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 traveling All Seeing Eye 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 Traveling all seeing eye case. The Traveling All Seeing Eye will begin at Salt River Lodge #180 on Thursday October 23, 2025 at their stated meeting. Rules for claiming the All-Seeing Eye will be posted on the Facebook page and a copy will be included in the Case.

Elected or Appointed Grand Lodge Officers and District Deputy Grand Masters are not eligible to retrieve the Grand Masters All Seeing Eye.

## **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 6, 2026. 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.
3. If the District Traveling Gavel has not moved in more than a 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, 2025-2026**

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 2026 Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. They must meet the requirements from September 1, 2025, through August 1, 2026. 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, 2026. 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 G 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	Chris Carver	270-562-2601	redneck_carver@hotmail.com
2	Todd Mills	270-339-1270	toddmills995@gmail.com
3	Jerry Padgett	270-210-1282	goodwinmarion62@gmail.com
4	Donald Martin	931-801-8954	mongose1838a@gmail.com
5	Stephen White	505-515-1732	retnavyguy@aol.com
6	Robert "Bo" Wilson	270-826-7769	rwwilson42464@gmail.com
7	Raymond Knowles	202-930-0395	Raymond.Knowles.TK@gmail.com
8	Joseph Riggs	270-766-8627	joeriggs1985@gmail.com
9	Robert Curts	270-268-6867	masterrcurts@yahoo.com
10	Tim Berry	270-622-0325	tjberry1728@hotmail.com
11	Terry Morgan	270- 590-6082	tgmorgan1944@gmail.com

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

District	Name	Cell Phone	Email
12	Herman Craig	502-689-1072	kywindbreaker@gmail.com
13	Larry Franklin	502-407-2598	larryfranklin1911@gmail.com
14	Jeffrey Lanzet	336-407-0055	Jeff@lanzets.com
15	Kyle Hardin	502-724-8617	Softout@bellsouth.net
16	Doug Lamb	859-339-7533	doug@douglamb.com
17	Kermit Vermillion	502-682-6723	kermit.vermillion@gmail.com
18	Gregory Johnston	859-814-6376	thejohnstons@fuse.net
19	Steve Lancaster	859-229-0420	lancaster.farm@yahoo.com
20	David Paul	337-853-2328	charlesdavidpaul@hotmail.com
21	Joe Gilliland	859-749-2137	bk11@roadrunner.com
22	Curtis Grant	270-385-1749	curtis.grant@lindsey.edu

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

District	Name	Cell Phone	Email
23	Mark Evans	606-217-1180	ao3evans@gmail.com
24	Andrew Owens	606-416-8750	aowens02@outlook.com
25	James Edington	606-627-6512	jamesalex.edington@yahoo.com
26	Jimmie Hampton	606-224-3912	hampton2003_13@yahoo.com
27	Josh Green	606-225-1605	jaybon.greene3@gmail.com
28	Brandon Tharp	606-359-4460	btharp86@gmail.com
29	Michael Feltner	606-275-6101	mfelt67@gmail.com
30	Stephen Morton	606-671-0351	smorton23@gmail.com
31	James Hill	606-548-2110	jameshillbilly@aol.com
32	Duane "Unch" Dotson	606-939-2203	unch_1@hotmail.com

## DISTRICT MEETING SCHEDULE 2026

For all **Wednesday and Friday** meetings plan your mealtimes for 6:30 PM with meeting to start at 7:30 PM.

Saturday meetings plan your meal **one (1) hour prior to the meeting time listed below** and start your meeting on time. Remember people will be traveling from other meetings and your meal should get started on time. **Do not wait** for the Grand Line to eat if they are running late from a previous meeting.

Meeting facilities are to be determined by the District Deputy Grand Master. Refer to the Planning the District Meeting section of the handbook.

DAY	DATE	DISTRICT	TIME
Wednesday	March 4, 2026	13-14	7:30 PM ET
Friday	March 6, 2026	7	7:30 PM CT
Saturday	March 7, 2026	1	9:30 AM CT
Saturday	March 7, 2026	2	2:00 PM CT
Saturday	March 7, 2026	3	6:30 PM CT
Friday	March 13, 2026	11	7:30 PM CT
Saturday	March 14, 2026	4	9:30 AM CT
Saturday	March 14, 2026	5	2:30 PM CT
Saturday	March 14, 2026	6	7:00 PM CT
Saturday	March 21, 2026	26	9:00 AM ET
Saturday	March 21, 2026	21	2:30 PM ET
Saturday	March 21, 2026	22	6:30 PM CT
Friday	March 27, 2026	9	7:30 PM CT
Saturday	March 28, 2026	8	1:30 PM CT
Saturday	March 28, 2026	12	7:00 PM ET
Friday	April 3, 2026	17	7:30 PM ET
Saturday	April 4, 2026	15	9:00 AM ET
Saturday	April 4, 2026	18	2:30 PM ET
Saturday	April 4, 2026	19	7:30 PM ET
Friday	April 10, 2026	16	7:30 PM ET
Saturday	April 11, 2026	23	9:00 AM ET
Saturday	April 11, 2026	24	2:30 PM ET
Saturday	April 11, 2026	27	7:30 PM ET
Saturday	April 25, 2026	30	7:00 PM ET
Wednesday	May 6, 2026	20	7:30 PM ET
Saturday	May 16, 2026	32	12:00 PM ET
Saturday	May 16, 2026	31	5:00 PM ET
Saturday	June 6, 2026	28	9:00 AM ET
Saturday	June 6, 2026	29	2:30 PM ET
Saturday	June 6, 2026	25	7:30 PM ET
Saturday	June 13, 2026	10	12:00 PM CT



**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 Conference in a video conference available online statewide. Each District Deputy is responsible for finding a host location to view the video conference in their area. Make sure there is ample seating and access to internet to login to the conference.

The video conference will be conducted on Saturday, January 24, 2026. The conference will be held at 10am EST, 9:00am 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.

See **Appendix H**, page 27, for the Education Meeting Sign-in Sheet. The Sign-in-Sheet should be given to your District Deputy Grand Master the day of the event.

## APPENDIX A

### SAMPLE AGENDA FOR YOUR DISTRICT MEETING

#### SAMPLE DISTRICT MEETING ITENERARY

TIME	MEAL 1 HOUR BEFORE START OF MEETING
15 MIN PRIOR	BEGIN SEATING MEMBERS/ LINE UP DIGNITARIES Start meal on time - even if Grand Lodge is running behind.
00:05	<b>Grand Marshal</b> - introduces the ELECTED GL OFFICERS/ APPOINTED GL OFFICERS/ COMMITTEES and Masonic Homes - Give the PUBLIC HONORS
00:09	Grand Marshal - introduces the GRAND MASTER/ TAKEN TO ALTAR THEN INVITED TO THE EAST then given PRIVATE GRAND HONORS/ OFFERED CROWN & GAVEL
00:10	District Deputy gives the STATE OF DISTRICT/ BRIEF SYNOPSIS DISTRICT Deputy INTRODUCES THE MASON OF THE YEAR
00:25	<b>DDGM</b> CALLS ON THE EDUCATION SPEAKER
00:40	<b>Area Officer</b> - ROLL CALL OF LODGES/ VISITORS
00:50	<b>DDGM</b> - RECOGNIZE VETERANS/ OLDEST VETERAN- PUBLIC HONORS
00:53	<b>DDGM</b> - RECOGNIZE OLDEST MEMBER <b>BY YEARS OF SERVICE.</b> PUBLIC HONORS
00:55	<b>DDGM</b> - RECOGNIZE YOUNGEST MASTER MASON- MASONIC HOMES <b>Allow the Masonic Homes representatives</b> to speak
TOP OF HR	<b>DDGM</b> - CALLS MEETING TO REFRESHMENT/ FOR RAFFLES / DRAWINGS
00:05	<b>DDGM</b> - CALLS MEETING BACK TO LABOR
00:05	<b>DDGM</b> - CALLS ON MASONS HELPING MASONS REPRESENTATIVE
00:10	<b>DDGM</b> - CALLS ON MASONIC SCHOLARS REPRESENTATIVE
00:25	<b>DDGM PRESENTATIONS if any and his FINAL REMARKS</b>
00:35	<b>DDGM</b> Calls on the area officer <b>AREA OFFICER</b> - ANNOUNCES ATTENDANCE AWARDS <b>AREA OFFICER</b> - REMARKS FROM PGM'S & GL OFFICERS PRESENT
00:40	<b>AREA OFFICER</b> - Final Remarks
00:45	<b>DEPUTY GRAND MASTER</b> FINAL REMARKS
00:50	<b>GRAND MASTER</b> FINAL REMARKS

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

LODGE NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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**

HAS THE SECRETARY FILED THE 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
(please print)

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

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

**APPENDIX D****MASONIC FACEBOOK PAGES**

<b>District</b>	<b>Facebook Page</b>
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	District 12, Grand Lodge of Kentucky
13,14	Districts 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.
18,19	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.
31	GLKY District #31 F&AM
32	District #32 Masonic Lodges
Additional	Kentucky Freemasons
Additional	Brother to Brother
NEW	GLKY Grand Master's Statewide All Seeing Eye
Additional	Masonic Homes of Kentucky, Inc.
Additional	GLKY Constitution
Additional	Eastern KY Masons
Additional	Western KY Masons
NEW	Kentucky Masonic Surplus Regalia and Supplies

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

### MASONIC BLUEGRASS RITUALIST AWARDS 2025 – 2026

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, bobtownbullet@outlook.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 interrogatories outside the door.
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)

Points	Work	Completed
5	Perform Senior Deacon - 1st Section - Entered Apprentice	
5	Perform Senior Deacon - 1st Section - Fellowcraft	
5	Perform Senior Deacon - 1st Section - Master Mason	
5	Confer the Working Tools Lecture - Entered Apprentice	
5	Confer the Working Tools Lecture - Fellowcraft	
5	Confer the Working Tools Lecture - Master Mason	
5	Confer the Charge - Entered Apprentice	
5	Confer the Charge - Fellowcraft	
5	Confer the Charge - Master Mason	
5	Confer Short Bible Lecture – Entered Apprentice	
5	Confer Short Apron Lecture – Entered Apprentice	
5	Confer Minor Speaking Part – 2nd Section – Master Mason	
5	Confer the Address to Newly Raised Brothers	
5	Confer Letter “G” – 3rd Section - Fellowcraft	
5	Open a M.M. Lodge by sitting in all three principal stations M., S.W., J.W.	
5	Open a F.C. Lodge by sitting in all three principal stations M., S.W., J.W.	
5	Open a E.A. Lodge by sitting in all three principal stations M., S.W., J.W.	
5	Confer the interrogatories outside the door	
5	Confer the Entered Apprentice Obligation	
5	Confer the Fellowcraft Obligation	
10	Confer the Master Mason Obligation	
10	Confer Entered Apprentice Degree - 1st Section	
10	Confer Fellowcraft Degree - 1st Section	
10	Confer Master Mason Degree - 1st Section	
10	Major speaking part in Master Mason – 2nd Section (K.S., J.M., or Zeph.)	
10	Can teach/coach the catechism on any degree through “Reinvestment.”	
10	Confer the 2nd Section – Entered Apprentice Degree (chart or slides)	
	<i>To be awarded Master Ritualist you must confer one of the following.</i>	
20	Confer the Staircase Lecture – 2nd Section – F.C. Degree (chart or slides)	
20	Confer the 3rd Section – Master Mason Degree (chart or slides)	
20	Confer Masonic Funeral Rite	
20	Confer the Annual Installation of Officers	
20	Confer the 3rd Section – Entered Apprentice Degree (chart or slides)	
Total		

**NAME:**

**LODGE:**

**DISTRICT:**

**DATE:**

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

**SIGNATURE**

## APPENDIX F

# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

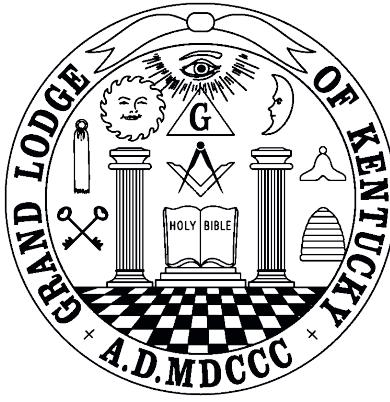
Reasons this Kentucky Mason should receive this award: \_\_\_\_\_

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

signature

The deadline for submissions of nominations to the Grand Master is January 05, 2026, and emailed to [lukester68@aol.com](mailto:lukester68@aol.com). Please put "District number and Mason of the Year" in the subject line.





### GRAND MASTER'S LODGE OF EXCELLENCE AWARD FOR 2025 - 2026

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 227th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky in October 2026 to those lodges that complete fourteen (15) of the nineteen (20) requirements-October 2025 through August 15, 2026.

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, 2026.

### REQUIRED TASKS CATEGORY

Lodges are required to complete **7** of the 8 required tasks in this category.

#### 1. MEMBER OUTREACH

The lodge must reach out 4 times to members whom have not been to lodge in a few months and invite him back to lodge or pick up an older member who needs a ride to lodge.

#### 2. WIDOW OUTREACH

The Lodge must attempt to call or visit every widow of the lodge and invite them to a dinner, past master's night, awards night, open installation or any public event at the lodge. **(Let them know we have not forgotten them).**

#### 3. PUBLIC INVITATION OUTREACH

The lodge must host an open installation ceremony where families and guests are invited to participate and witness the installation of new officers. This event should promote transparency and inclusivity within the lodge community.

#### 4. COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Your lodge must participate in a Community Service Project (Blood Drive, Drug Awareness, Scholarship Program, Coat Drive, Food Drive, Backpack Program). Sponsor or be involved together in a parade or other community function that would serve your county or area. This must be documented.

#### 5. CONSTITUTION RESEARCH QUIZ

The quiz must be taken by The Master, Senior Warden and Junior Warden or 4 members of the lodge.

#### 6. EDUCATIONAL SPEAKER

Host an Educational Speaker at least twice a year at a Stated meeting or public event.

#### 7. GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

Participate in the Great Day of Service at one of the Masonic Homes Campuses.

#### 8. VISIT A MASONIC YOUTH GROUP

Three (3) members of your lodge must make a visit, **as a group**, to a stated meeting or installation of the local DeMolay Chapter, Rainbow Assembly or Job's Daughters Bethel meeting during the qualifying period. (Date and time of function must be recorded in the minutes).

### OPTIONAL TASKS CATEGORY

**Lodges are required to complete 8 of these tasks in this optional category**

9. All officers of the Lodge consisting of the Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer, Secretary, Chaplain, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Senior Steward, Junior Steward and Tiler must have a Certificate of Proficiency issued by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. If they are not in possession of one, they must have been examined and be recommended for a Certificate of Proficiency from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky by June 30, 2026.

#### 10. BLUEGRASS RITUALIST

Each lodge must have at least one **NEW** member **OR** a member who has attained **A HIGHER LEVEL** of the honor of a Kentucky Bluegrass Ritualist within their lodge between September 2025-July 15th 2026.

#### 11. SUPPORT OUR MASONIC YOUTH GROUPS

When we contribute to the Annual Yearbook, we do far more than help fund an event or a publication. We provide essential resources for the Annual Conclave, a gathering that inspires fellowship, leadership, and lasting memories for young participants. These experiences shape character, nurture confidence, and foster a deep sense of responsibility.

DeMolay, Rainbow Girls, and Job's Daughters are more than just youth groups—they are vibrant communities where young people develop skills that will benefit them throughout their lives. Whether or not these youths choose to become Masons or members of the Eastern Star in the future, the guidance and encouragement they receive now will empower them as compassionate, capable individuals in our communities.

## 12. DEGREE WORK

Your Lodge MUST perform all three degrees (ALL SECTIONS) with the Elected and Appointed officers of said Lodge during the year, even if they have to be MOCK initiations. This must be recorded in the minutes of the Lodge, stating the date and officers delivering the degree.

## 13. OTHER LODGE VISITATIONS

The Master and two of his principal officers (Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer or Secretary, and 1 member **or 5 dues paying members of the lodge** must make a minimum of six visits, as a group, to lodges other than their own during the qualifying period. The report of the visits must show the dates, the lodges visited and identify the officers and members who made the visits. This is to be done with three visits within your District and three visits outside your District. **(Honorary members don't count)**

## 14. DDGM OFFICIAL VISIT

All elected and appointed offices of the lodge must be present at the DDGM's official visit. If the District Deputy is an officer of the lodge, a member of the lodge will be substituted for him. No other substitutions will be allowed. The lodge will be opened in form on the Third Degree for the reception of the District Deputy Grand Master.

## 15. MASONS HELPING MASONS FUND

The lodge contributes a \$1.00 per member to the Masons Helping Masons fund. This cannot be an assessment, but it may be from lodge funds, passing the hat, donations or a fund raiser. (To be used for future relief of lodge Brothers that may have been hit by a personal disaster, and not enough insurance or a brother experiencing another financial needs).

## 16. DISTRICT MEETING ATTENDANCE

Obtain the attendance award with the **Worshipful Master and 10% of the membership** at a District Meeting. (Honorary members do not count)

## 17. ADOPT A RESIDENT FROM THE MASONIC HOME CAMPUS.

Reach out to your Masonic Home Ambassador to get information on how to have an adopt a resident for your lodge.

## 18. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

All elected and appointed officers of the lodge must be present at their own Open Installation of the Lodge. \*\*\*Note: If an officer is unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances, the lodge may apply to the DDGM & Area Officer to be excused.

## 19. CEMETERY CLEAN UP IN YOUR COMMUNITY

## 20. MASTER MASON REOBLIGATION

Conduct a Master Mason Re-obligation ceremony at your Lodge.

Complete the form on the following page and submit to the Grand Lodge office no later than July 15, 2026. Do not submit any additional documentation at this time. The Lodge shall maintain and furnish supporting documentation upon request of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

**GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY**  
**GRAND MASTER'S LODGE OF EXCELLENCE AWARD**  
**LUKE MARTIN, GRAND MASTER 2025-2026**

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. Seven of the eight required tasks must be completed. Eight of the twelve optional tasks must 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.

**CIRCLE TASKS COMPLETED**

<i>Required Task Circle Number &amp; Enter Date Completed</i>	<i>Optional Task Circle Number &amp; Enter Date Completed</i>	
1	9	15
2	10	16
3	11	17
4	12	18
5	13	19
6	14	20
7		
8		

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

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 I

### DEMOLAY CHAPTER TIMES AND MEETING DATES

Gregory W. Coffey, Executive Officer  
6902 Lakegreen Ct., Louisville, KY 40291  
502-724-0107

Please plan ahead but also call dad Coffey to make sure they are still meeting that day!

<b>BARREN RIVER</b> <b><i>Allen Lodge 24</i></b> 200 South Green St Glasgow, KY 42141 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 7:00PM CST	<b>LINCOLN</b> <b><i>Morrison Lodge 76</i></b> 125 North Mulberry St. Elizabethtown, KY. 42701 1st and 3rd Sundays 2:00PM EST
<b>BLUE GRASS</b> <b><i>Lexington Scottish Rite</i></b> 553 Rosemont Garden Lexington, KY. 40503 1st and 3rd Sundays 2:00PM EST	<b>NORTHERN KENTUCKY</b> <b><i>Bradford Lodge 123</i></b> 5403 Madison Pike Independence, KY. 41051 2nd and 4th Sundays 2:00PM EST
<b>CHEROKEE</b> <b><i>Suburban Lodge 740</i></b> 3901 South 3rd St, Louisville, KY Louisville, KY. 40215 1st and 3rd Mondays 7:00PM EST	<b>TWIN LAKES</b> <b><i>Leitchfield Lodge 236</i></b> 67 Public Square Leitchfield, KY. 42754 2nd and 4th Sundays 6:00PM CST
<b>E.C. NICKLES</b> <b><i>Hazard Lodge 676</i></b> 548 Main Street Hazard, KY. 41701 1st Tuesday 7:00PM EST 3rd Saturday 2:00PM EST	<b>VALLEY OF THE CUMBERLAND</b> <b><i>Columbia Lodge 96</i></b> 411 Burkesville St. Columbia, KY. 42728 1st and 3rd Mondays 7:00PM CST
<b>LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES</b> <b><i>Joppa Lodge 167</i></b> 219B West Main Street Eddyville, KY. 42038 2nd and 4th Thursdays 6:00PM CST	<b>WILDERNESS TRAIL</b> <b><i>Franklin Lodge 28</i></b> 400 North 4th Street Danville, KY. 40422 2nd and 4th Saturdays 10:00AM EST

## APPENDIX J

### RAINBOW GIRLS ASSEMBLY INFORMATION

**Kassie Parish, Supreme Deputy**  
568 Maplevue Dr., Mt. Washington, KY 40047  
502-599-4265; KentuckyIORG@hotmail.com

**Please contact Assembly to verify meeting!**

<b>VALLEY #8</b> <b>TBA</b> Tabby Clark tabtoes02@aol.com 2nd & 4th Sunday, 4:00 pm ET	<b>HARDINSBURG #34</b> <b>Breckinridge Lodge 67</b> Virginia Poe drpoe@kvnet.org 2nd & 4th Saturday, 10:00 am CT
<b>FAIRDALE #30</b> <b>Fairdale Lodge 942</b> Anne Rademaker andilyne@gmail.com 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 pm ET	<b>INDEPENDENCE #64</b> <b>Bradford Lodge 123</b> Dawn Bell ballbabies@gmail.com 1st & 3rd Sunday, 2:00 pm ET
<b>FORT KNOX #13</b> <b>Camp Knox Lodge 919</b> Diana Blair lblair3@bbtel.com 1st & 3rd Sunday, 2:00 pm ET	<b>MAGOFFIN #47</b> <b>Salyersville Lodge 769</b> Rhonda Howard Rhonda.howard@johnson.kyschools.us 1st & 3rd Sunday, 2:00 pm ET

## APPENDIX K

Numbers to call to plan my Masonic Service

Lodge Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Member \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Lodge of Kentucky - 502-893-0192

### MASONIC LAST RITES REQUEST FORM

For Brother \_\_\_\_\_

*Completion and submission of the form is not required. It is intended to provide comfort and relief for your family and loved ones at a time when you will be unavailable to guide them. Should you decide to complete this form, please give careful thought to your responses. make a copy for your personal records and any other individual or group you deem necessary. Give or send the completed form to your Lodge for their safe keeping. In the event of your death, your Lodge will then be able to assist your family with the requested arrangements.*

Completing this form is not required in any way, it is mearely provided for your convenience as an act of brotherly love and fraternal friendship by \_\_\_\_\_, Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_

MY MASONIC APRON CAN BE LOCATED IN THE \_\_\_\_\_

**To the Brothers of \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge No. \_\_\_\_\_, members of my immediate family, members of the clergy and the proprietors of the funeral home, upon my death I would like to have:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Masonic funeral services conducted at the funeral home.

\_\_\_\_\_ Masonic funeral services conducted at my place of worship along with my religious memorial rites, if possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ Masonic funeral services conducted at my lodge with my religious memorial rites, if possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ Masonic graveside services.

\_\_\_\_\_ Masonic services to be performed by \_\_\_\_\_  
(If other then the Worshipful Master any Master Mason may be requested to perform the services)

\_\_\_\_\_ No Masonic services.

I would like to be remembered in my Masonic eulogy for having:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I would like the following Brothers to service as pallbearers at my funeral (if able and willing):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF FUNERAL HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

POSSIBLE FAMILY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_





Masonic Homes Kentucky provides compassionate care at beautiful campuses in Louisville 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 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 its 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 and clothing.

A 21-member Board of Directors governs Masonic Homes of Kentucky, Inc. 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.

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## First Lady Amber Martin Selects Both Rite Care and Sproutlings for Annual Support Campaign



Amber's pin is a wonderful and heartfelt initiative! The First Lady's pin combines such meaningful elements—RiteCare's support for children's language programs, the Scottish Rite's commitment to philanthropy, Amber's love for magnolias and music. It truly embodies her dedication to making a positive impact.

The pin not only serves as a beautiful symbol of her personal passions but also becomes a powerful tool to raise awareness and funds for children's programs. Using it as a focal point for fundraising efforts supported by the Scottish Rite connects the mission directly to the community.



This unique fundraiser pin, designed for Amber Martin, First Lady of Kentucky and wife of Grand Master Luke Martin, features a charming acorn sproutling; joyfully playing a keyboard. The acorn—the seed of the mighty oak—stands as a powerful emblem of potential, growth, and enduring strength. It evokes the promise of new beginnings and the transformative cycle of life.

In alignment with the mission of Sproutlings Pediatric Daycare and Preschool, which serves children with complex medical needs alongside typically developing peers, this fundraiser also supports programs that foster creativity, inclusion, and developmental growth through music. The pin embodies Sproutlings' vision of cultivating strong starts and bright futures for every child—because from the smallest seeds, the greatest growth can emerge.

The playful keyboard design reflects Amber's passion for music and supports fundraising for intergenerational music therapy at Sproutlings Pediatric Daycare and Preschool. By uniting the symbolism of the acorn with the universal language of music, this pin captures the spirit of nurturing possibility, connection, and healing across ages—sowing seeds today for a harmonious tomorrow.

**Pins may be obtained or donations to any of the programs by calling Luke Martin at 502-599-1780.**

