F. KEITH DREIER, GRAND MASTER

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Grand Master

Kentucky for the next 12 months, I assure you that I will do the absolute best that I can to represent each and every one of you!

The coming year is going to be a year that our Grand Lodge has never seen before. As we approach 2008, it is going to be the year that Kentucky will host the world and be able to show what Masons of Kentucky are all about. We will host in February 2008 the North American Grand Masters Conference here in Louisville. This conference convenes once each year. There will be Grand Masters from all over the world here in our Commonwealth. It is our responsibility to show them what Masons in Kentucky are and what they represent. Also, in August 2008, we will host the Southeastern Grand Masters Conference in Covington, Kentucky. This conference represents the 10 Southeastern States of Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina and of course Kentucky. I am counting on each one of you to not only help but represent the craft of Kentucky!

As I started this journey some 4 short years ago, I had a goal that I wanted to reach. That goal was to show the brothers of our fraternity here in Kentucky that it is no longer an Us versus Them situation among our craft. Let us not forget, “as from the craft we came so to it we must all return”. If I do nothing else when this year is over, I want each of you to know that I am always available to you to ask any question that you may have.

Let us this next year, join hand in hand to Reach Out to a Brother and really bring this craft together to show ourselves and our communities what Masonry is in Kentucky.

During the coming year your Grand Lodge Officers are committed to help our lodges return to the work at hand which is our ritual. Kentucky has always been noted for our ritual style. But somehow along the way we have let that which binds us all together fall by the wayside. Let us all dedicate ourselves to challenge each and every lodge and lodge member to get back to the work at hand, the ritual of our great fraternity. This is the bond that each of us has with each other. We must place it above ourselves and put forth the effort to return our lodges to the great work that was once Kentucky Freemasonry. We must strive to work together as lodges and as brothers. Let’s get out and work in our communities with each other.

If you look at the standards that I have chosen to receive the Grand Masters Award of Excellence
for the next year, they are not easy. It is my belief that to earn a Grand Master Award of Excellence it is an honored award and it should have to be worked for not just given a rubber stamp. 

Our charity, as you all know, is the Masonic Homes of Kentucky. During the next year my wife Debbie and I will be telling you about “Fruits of Our Labor” with the Masonic Homes. Our pin for the Homes will have different levels and for each person that contributes $100.00 dollars or more their name will be placed on a permanent plaque to be displayed at the Homes which will enshrine them as a “Fruits of Our Labor” contributor to be forever displayed at the Homes. Each pin can be purchased for the minimum of $20.00. All the money raised from this pin through your contributions will go 100% to the Masonic Care Patients at the Homes. We have approximately 44 brothers and sisters who are on Masonic Care at our Homes. Among those 44 are 10 that we take care of 100%. They have no other means to provide for them. That is why Debbie and I have chosen to have 100% of the Donations from this pin go only to those under Masonic Care. As most of you know I have been in the banana business for over 31 years. So when you see the pin, I think you will recognize the label.

I also would like to take just a moment to talk about the Calendar that each of you received around the end of September. I want to thank each of the lodges that took the time to submit a photo of their lodge. It was a great experience for me and I hope it was for each of you. To those lodges that were chosen to be placed in the calendar, congratulations! To those who were not, I thank you for taking the time to submit your selection. Now, I hope that each of you that did not make it on the calendar and along with those who did not submit a picture this year, along with more lodges, will participate next year. I also hope that each of you will make some contribution to the Preservation Fund that would reflect that we in Kentucky have some really beautiful lodges around our great Commonwealth.

At this time I would like to introduce my family, first my children, my oldest Brad Dreier who is a member of Henry Barnes #607 and who most of you heard me talk about over the last couple of years. Brad is serving our country in the United States Army stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. He served in Iraq and we are glad that he has returned safely. Second, my son Chris Dreier who is also a member of Henry Barnes #607. Chris and I also share another brotherly fraternity together. We are brothers in our college fraternity of Lambda Chi Alpha at Murray State University. My daughter, Traci Dreier is a member of Rosebud Chapter #39. As a matter of fact all three of our children are members of Rosebud Chapter #39 where Debbie and I were pleased to initiate them into a few years ago. I don’t think this next person needs much of an introduction. She is not only my wife but my best friend. My wife Debbie. Debbie served as Worthy Grand Matron of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky Order of the Eastern Star in 2003-2004 and is currently Secretary of our Chapter Rosebud #39 and also, which some of you brethren know is the real brains at the Covington Scottish Rite where she works as the Office Manager. She has helped to keep me grounded over these last few years as I serve this Grand Lodge. She has supported me and given me some great counsel when I had times of great stress with some of the things going on not only in this fraternity but throughout life. She means the world to me. Debbie, I love you and thank you for sharing your life with me.

Brothers, thank you again for allowing me to serve you this coming year as your Grand Master.

MT. ZION 146 & FAIRDALE 942 CONSOLIDATE

On September 6, 2007 at a stated meeting of Fairdale Lodge No. 942, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Gregory C. Powell with the assistance of several Officers of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky, consolidated Mt. Zion Lodge Masonic Lodge No. 147 with Fairdale Masonic Lodge No. 942.

Pictured above, Most Worshipful Grand Master, Gregory C. Powell; Lawrence Maynard, Master of Fairdale Lodge No. 942; along with several members of Mt. Zion Lodge, and Fairdale Lodges.

Grand Masters Itinerary November 2007

1  Latonia #746
2  Plumb #862 Pigtail Night
3  Harrison Fullerton #937
4  Grand Masters Reception
5  Berea #617
6  Masonic Home Regional Meeting - Louisville
8  Hiram #4, Past Masters Night
9  Dougherty #65
10  Henry Barnes #607 Past Masters - AM Dan Coleman - Grand Commander Reception - PM
12  Bloomfield #57
13  Boaz Masonic Home
14  Masonic Home Regional Meeting - Lexington
15  Fairdale #962
16  Scottish Rite Covington
17  Don Powell, Illustrious Master Reception
19, 20 Grand Lodge of Alabama
21  Masonic Home Board Meeting
23, 24 Scottish Rite Honors
26  McKee #144
27  Morehead #654
28  NAGM Committee Meeting
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RSVP by November 18, 2007

Each year, following the conclusion of the Annual Communication, and drawing on the illustrious history of Freemasonry in Kentucky for guidance, we should pause and reflect on the actions we have taken in an attempt to improve our Fraternity and move it into the future, hopefully, in as good or better shape than it was at the beginning of the Masonic year just past. How good has been the measure of our stewardship? What have we personally, or as a part of a group, done to fulfill our responsibility as a Freemason?

These two questions are certainly worth taking the time for each of us to answer. Someone once said that our generation is “enjoying the shade of a tree we didn’t plant”. Consequently, good stewardship demands that our generation extend the effort. If we must plant as many or more trees than the last, in order to provide the shade for Freemasons of future generations.

So it is with the tenets of Freemasonry which have been handed down to us through the efforts of our Masonic Brethren of past generations. Collectively, we are responsible to maintain the integrity of the Fraternity during the term of our stewardship. However, each of us is individually charged to continually make a truthful assessment of our personal stewardship, thus assure that the philosophy, principles and tenets of the Craft are preserved and passed on to the next generation.

Hopefully, a review of the past year, and the Annual Communication finally concluded, will show that we, as a Fraternity and individually, have lived up to the challenge.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS INSTALLED

Congratulations are in order for the newly elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers. Brother Keith Dreier was impressively installed as Grand Master, assuming the office with an enthusiastic outlook for the coming year. Each of the other line officers was advanced and Brother Don Yankey was elected as Grand Junior Warden. These Officers were chosen to lead the Craft of Kentucky by the Delegates assembled. Let’s give them all the support and encouragement necessary for them to accomplish their goals—which should be our goals also.

DUES CARDS 2008

The 2008 dues cards have been printed and mailed to the Secretary of each constituent Lodge, along with extra blank cards for use during the year. If you have failed to receive the cards for your Lodge, please contact the office for duplicates.

GRAND LODGE OFFICE CLOSED

The Grand Lodge Office will be closed on Monday, November 12, 2007, in observance of Veterans’ Day, and Thursday and Friday, November 22-23, 2007, in observance of Thanksgiving Day and will reopen on Monday, November 26, 2007. The Grand Lodge Office Staff wish for each of you and your family an enjoyable and meaningful Thanksgiving!

LIST OF LODGE OFFICERS AND MASONIC DIRECTORY FOR 2008

The next task facing the Grand Secretary’s Office is compiling the Masonic Directory. Some time in early December each Lodge will receive a form on which to list the officers elected for the year, the address and telephone number(s) of the three principal officers and the Secretary. As soon as the officers are elected, please complete this form and send it to the Grand Secretary’s Office as quickly as possible, in order that we may process the information for the Directory.

For the Directory to be meaningful, we must have it available as early as possible after the beginning of the New Year. If the completed form from your lodge has not been received in the Grand Secretary’s Office before January 10, 2008, there is a good chance the officers of your lodge will not be listed in the Directory. Please do not let this happen.

Also, on the same form, we ask that you furnish the exact address or location of your lodge so that it can be easily found from the information provided in the Directory. It has come to our attention a number of lodges have relocated or their address has been changed, with the old address still listed in the Directory. Hopefully, the new Directory can be brought up to date.

IRS REPORTING FORM

Also, on the bottom of the Lodge Officers form mentioned above is a space to list the information required by the Internal Revenue Service from each Subordinate Lodge. The information received from the Subordinate Lodges is compiled in this office and a summary transmitted to the IRS. Failure on the part of a Lodge Secretary to respond may result in a visit from an IRS Representative and there are penalties involved that could be imposed for failure to report. Be sure the form is signed by the Lodge Secretary and/or the seal of the Lodge is placed thereon.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

One ship sails east, one ship sails west
It’s the same self wind that blows
It’s not the gale, but the cut of the sail
Which determines that which one goes

JOSEPH R. CONWAY, P.G.M. Grand Secretary
Your committee on Masonic Education is hard at work preparing for the upcoming Leadership Training Conferences across the Commonwealth. This year’s conferences will be different from years past with more choices and different topics. The 2008 conferences will focus on Ritual, Community Awareness and Administration. Ritual is that which makes us Masons and we will explore why and how we do what we do. Community Awareness will focus on putting our lodges in the public eye through publicity and community involvement. Administration, the part most of us normally abhor will discuss proper budgeting, Grand Lodge reports and the keys to being a successful officer in your lodge.

We are still in the process of refining our presentations and coveting your suggestions. The members of this year’s committee are: John Cauley, Keith Tabb, Barry Eastham, Mitchell Phillips, Robert Nugent, Sheldon Sammons, and Mike Lively. If you have suggestions or questions do not hesitate to contact one of the committee members.

This year’s conferences will start promptly at 9:00 AM and will finish prior to 1:00 PM. All times listed are local times for the location hosting the event. The dates and locations are:

January 5
Thomas C. Cecil Lodge: 205 Pike St; Pikeville
Information Tech Center; Campbellsville University
Carroll Knickey Center; 2355 Nashville Rd; Bowling Green

January 12
Owensboro Masonic Lodge, 327 Saint Ann St; Owensboro
McKee Lodge; S Broad St & W Fourth St. behind the Court House, London

January 19
Louisville Scottish Rite; 200 East Gray Street, Louisville
Murray Lodge; From Hwy 641 in Murray take 121 N 2 m, Lodge is on right just before caution light

March 1
Morehead Lodge; 746 W Main St, Suite 2; Morehead

March 8
Madisonville Scottish Rite; 241 North Park Ave, Madisonville
Covington Scottish Rite; 1553 Madison Avenue, Covington

Please plan now to attend one or more of these conferences in your area.
**BY-LAWS**

**BEAR WALLOW LODGE NO. 231**
At the first stated meeting in the month following publication of this notice in *The Masonic Home Journal*, Bear Wallow Lodge No. 231 will vote on changes to its by-laws.

**BOWLING GREEN CHAPTER NO. 38**
BOWLING GREEN COUNCIL NO. 74
At the first stated meeting in the month following publication of this notice in *The Masonic Home Journal*, Bowling Green Chapter No. 38 and Bowling Green Council No. 74 will vote on amending our by-laws, raising our dues.

**HART LODGE NO. 61**
At the first stated meeting in the month following publication of this notice in *The Masonic Home Journal*, Hart Lodge No. 61 will vote on changes to its by-laws.

**PIERATT LODGE NO. 725**
At the first stated meeting in the month following publication of this notice in *The Masonic Home Journal*, Pieratt Lodge No. 725 will vote on changes to its by-laws, including annual dues and petition fee increases. All members are encouraged to attend. Pieratt Lodge meets the 4th Saturday of each month.

**NOTICES**

**LEBANON YORK BODIES**
Lebanon York Rite Bodies (Edmonds Chapter No. 83, Lebanon Chapter No. 56 and Marion Commandery No. 24) will meet to vote on raising dues for the ensuing year, the meeting night after publication of this notice in *The Masonic Home Journal*.

**MAGNOLIA LODGE NO. 201**
At the first stated meeting in the month following publication of this notice in *The Masonic Home Journal*, Magnolia Lodge No. 201 will vote on a meeting change night. All members are urged to attend.

**McNEIL LODGE NO. 586**
At the first stated meeting in the month following publication of this notice in *The Masonic Home Journal*, McNeil Lodge No. 586 will vote to change its meeting dates. All Brothers are urged to attend.

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**MASSONIC BULLETIN BOARD**

**FERNCREEK LODGE NO. 955**
Ferncreek Lodge No. 955 will have their Annual Homecoming Program on Saturday, November 17, 2007. Stated meeting will be at 10 a.m. Lunch will be served after the business meeting. Members and their families are urged to attend. Visitors welcome!

**HIRAM LODGE NO. 4**
Hiram Lodge No. 4 will have its annual Past Masters Night on November 8, 2007. All are invited to attend. Brother Joe Conway, Grand Secretary, PGM, PM of Hiram Lodge will receive his 50 Year Pin. Meal will be served at 6:30 p.m., Lodge will open at 7:30 p.m.

**BARKER LODGE NO. 129 HONORS WIDOWS**
Our 71st Year! Barker Lodge No. 129 will honor its Widows with a traditional turkey dinner on Saturday, November 17, 2007. Dinner will start at 6:30 p.m. and be prepared by the Brethren.

Our guest speaker will be the Hardin County Family Court Judge, Kim Schumate.

Tickets will be available at the door, from any officer, or by calling 502-968-3794. Tickets are $5 for an adult and $3 for children.

*Need to get the news out about you Lodges upcoming events... place it on the Masonic Bulletin Board!*
Lodge News and Activities...

HARLAN LODGE NO. 879

On Tuesday October 2, 2007 at a stated communication of Harlan Lodge #879, Brothers Kristopher Gilliam and David Blevins were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. A potluck supper was held and good fellowship was enjoyed by all Brethren present. Pictured left to right, front row: Tom Pace, Senior Warden; David Blevins; Tracy Turner, Master; Kris Gilliam; Hollace Wilson, Jr. Warden. Back row, Ray Day, Sr. Deacon; Britt Blanton, Jr. Steward; Chester Clem, Treasurer; Raymond Day, Sr. Steward; James Clem, Jr. Deacon; T. Boyd Brown, Marshall; and Rusty Howard, Secretary.

SIEVERS LODGE NO. 491

On July 24, 2007 Brother Bruce King was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. Special thanks to all those who participated in the ritual. Pictured front row, left to right: Ron Hutchinson; Joe Bales, Master; John W. Johnson; Bruce King; John Ashbrook; and Joe Jasper. Second row, left to right: Wayne Ard; Robert Pratt; David Avera; Don Elmore; and Ronnie Decker.

SUNSET RAISES FIVE

On June 2, 2007 Lodge was called to raise five Fellowcrafts, Wayne Anderson, Mike Smith, Michael Santise, Damon Kuncle and Chris Welham.

Louis Flamm conferred the first section in a very proficient manner. After the conferall all present retired to the dining room for a very fine dinner consisting of pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes, green beans and salad, prepared by Senior Warden, Lou Flamm and Ray Jarred.

After dinner all returned to the Lodge hall for the conferring of the second section. Junior Daugherty, PM, Shawnee Lodge assumed the East as King Solomon; Mike Smith and by Brother Joe Graves, PM; Brother Clarence Daugherty raised Mike Santise and Chris Welham; Damon Kuncle was raised by Brother Ray Jarred, PM; and Brother Junior Daugherty raised Wayne Anderson.

The degree team was made up by Brother Melvin Mullins, from many Lodges from Louisville and Salt River Lodge.

After the second section, each new Brother was given the opportunity to express their views on the events that took place.

Sunset Lodge welcomes these new Brothers.

Landmark Lodge No. 41 had the pleasure of presenting a check in the amount of $5000.00 which was from the recent Raymond Tucker Memorial Hospice Golf Tournament held at Woodland Hills Country Club on June 18, 2007.

Pictured left to right: Mike Ford, Secr. of Landmark Lodge; Bernice Tucker, Widow of Raymond Tucker; Bill McIntyre; Karen Martin, Hospice; and Chris L. Stout, Senior Deacon of Landmark Lodge.

Scott Lodge No. 702 in Stamping Ground, Kentucky recently presented a check for $1020.00 to Lisa Ramsey (Professional Liaison) of Hospice of the Bluegrass. The funds were collected from the Lodge’s annual cookout on Saturday, August 4, 2007.

Pictured from left to right are Philip Mays, Master of Scott Lodge; Lisa Ramsey, Hospice of the Bluegrass; and Bill Mullikin, Senior Steward.

Masonic Community Outreach

On Tuesday, September 25, 2007, Harry R. Kendall Lodge No. 750 hosted an “Appreciation Dinner” for the members of Highview EMS and Fire Dept., along with members from Zoneton Fire Dept. Master Marshall Geoghegan presented Chief Richard Larkins with an engraved clock, to show the Lodges appreciation for all the hard work the fire department performs in and around the community. A chili dinner was served to a standing room only crowd. It was a wonderful evening to share with family and friends of Harry R. Kendall Lodge.
Four employees honored by state association

Finneran, Grenier, Baxter and Crafton take top awards

The Kentucky Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, Inc. recognized four Masonic Homes of Kentucky employees as the best in their fields at the association’s 2007 annual awards ceremony.

Masonic Home of Shelbyville Administrator Debra Finneran received the Nursing Home Administrator Award and Masonic Home of Louisville Director of Nursing Bill Grenier received the Director of Nursing Award. The Association also recognized Shelbyville Chaplain Jesse Baxter and Administrative Assistant Bonnie Crafton for outstanding service.

“Every day our staff makes a difference in the lives of our residents,” said Masonic Homes of Kentucky CEO Gary Marsh. “We are proud that KAHSA has recognized their professional commitment with these awards.”

Finneran was recognized for outstanding service as the Shelbyville Administrator. “When Debra arrived at the Masonic Home of Shelbyville she was faced with failing business, regulatory non-compliance issues and a directive to prepare to close the facility,” Marsh said. Within a year, she spearheaded the purchase of additional nursing home beds and led a four-year revitalization that more than doubled nursing home beds and included extensive renovations. With The Pillars assisted living community completed and nearing full occupancy, Finneran is leading plans to expand services and facilities over the next five years.

Since joining Masonic Home of Louisville as Director of Nursing three years ago, Grenier has implement creative and successful programs that have improved staff training and triggered a culture change throughout the entire facility. “Bill’s desire and willingness to train and educate sets him apart from the crowd,” said Louisville Administrator Israel Ray. Grenier spearheaded development of a Guardian Angel program for C.N.A.s and outreach programs for facilities to share and learn from others’ experiences. Grenier also is president of the National Association of Directors of Nursing Administration.

For 10 years, Rev. Baxter has ministered to residents, their families and Masonic Home of Shelbyville staff. His concern for the spiritual well-being of others is a blessing to share, Baxter said. “Through God’s love, I am able to give of myself to others and to be there for them during difficult circumstances.”

Crafton received the Outstanding Administrative Assistant Award. A 12-year Masonic Home of Shelbyville veteran, Crafton coordinates vacations, time-off requests and payroll for the nursing department. She goes out of her way to help others, performing central supply duties and volunteering for community, staff and resident activities. According to Finneran, “Bonnie exemplifies the Masonic Home family spirit.”
New Masonic car tags to benefit Masonic Homes

What do volunteer firefighters, historic vehicles, the Louisville Zoo and Kentucky Masons have in common?

All are featured on special issue motor vehicle license plates from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. In December, a new tag will allow Kentucky Masons to show their pride in Masonry and support the Masonic Homes.

The plate’s art depicts darkness yielding to light, drawing from the symbolism of Masonic teachings. Adrian Judy, a member of Louisville 400 and Past Master of Covington 109, created the design.

The plate will cost $42, including a $10 donation to the Masonic Homes and licensing fees.

To purchase the new plate, take proof of Masonic membership to your county clerk’s office with information to license the vehicle. Personalized Masonic plates will be available in Spring 2008 for $25 more.

According to CEO Gary Marsh, Masonic Home vehicles will bear the new tags. “It’s a great way to display Masonic pride and support the Homes.”

Worth a thousand words

Board Chair Joe Conway (right) accepts $15,000 from Joe Walters and the Derby City Mustang Club. The money was raised during Mustangs Unbridled, a national show held Memorial Day weekend on the Louisville campus.

Activities Director Jackie Wains (right) poses with Masonic Home of Shelbyville resident Wilma Proser, who was Worthy Grand Matron of the Ohio OES.

This miniature golfer was among the many who showed their form on the putt-putt course at the Masonic Home of Louisville employee picnic.

Connie Barnes (front) celebrated winning a door prize at the Masonic Home of Shelbyville employee picnic.

At the Homes for the Holidays

Throughout the year, nearly 700 people rely on the Masonic Homes for housing, healthcare and services every day. While many residents enjoy Christmas and Hanukkah celebrations with their families, others face less festive celebrations. With your gift, you will help us make the holidays special for everyone at the Masonic Homes by providing presents for each resident, especially those who need it most.

Yes, I want to make the holidays special for a Masonic Home resident. Please use my enclosed Holiday Gift of $__________ where it is needed most.

Please clip this coupon and mail with your check payable to Masonic Homes of Kentucky, Inc.

Masonic Homes of Kentucky
Attn: J Scott Judy
3761 Johnson Hall Drive
Masonic Home, KY 40041

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On July 21, 2007, Pond Fork Lodge No. 601 presented Brother Ralph Williams his 60 Year Pin. Pictured above, from left to right: Brother Tim Anderson; Scott Tussey, Master; Brother Howard Williams (Brother Ralph’s son); Brother Terry Smith, Senior Warden; Brother Ralph Williams (sitting); Brother Roger Williams (Brother Ralph’s son); and Brother Jeffrey Sams, Secretary.

On June 11, 2007, Willie Ray (Whitey) Whitehead, PM, PS, was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and Owen Lodge No. 128 in recognition of his forty-one faithful years as Secretary of Owen Lodge. Pictured left to right: Joseph R. Conway, PGM, Grand Secretary; and Willie Ray (Whitey) Whitehead, PM, PS.

Shelby Lodge No. 662 celebrated its sixth annual John B. Clark, Sr. Past Masters and Awards Night on August 4, 2007. Present were twenty-two of thirty-four living Past Masters plus several visiting Past Masters. Above, Past Masters fill the Lodge. Grand Secretary, Joseph Conway is honored by becoming Shelby Lodge’s seventh honorary member.

On August 25, 2007, Livermore Lodge No. 186 presented Bro Medley Hoover his 50 Year Service Pin. The presentation was made by Past Grand Master, Curtis L. Johnston.

On June 11, 2007, the Bedford Lodge #158 presented two members with their 50 Year Pins and Gold Cards in appreciation of their dedicated service to the lodge. The recipients was Brother William Ransdell presented by our Senior Warden, Brother Lee Congleton (Bro. Ransdell’s son-in-law). The other recipient was Brother James Pirtle and the presenter was Brother Lenny Hensley, Jr.

On August 25, 2007, Livermore Lodge No. 186 presented Bro Medley Hoover his 50 Year Service Pin. The presentation was made by Past Grand Master, Curtis L. Johnston.

Calvert City Lodge No. 543 held its annual Past Masters Night on August 11, 2007. The Lodge also took the opportunity to honor Brother Reno Kettula for 60 years of service to the Fraternity. Brother Kettula is a plural member of Crystal Falls-Iron River Lodge No. 385 in Crystal Falls, Michigan. Pictured, Brother Lowell O’Daniel, Past Master of Calvert City Lodge in 1961 and 2000 had the honor of presenting Brother Reno (left) with his 60 Year Pin.

On Tuesday, September 18, Pewee Valley #829 held its Past Masters Dinner, with a large crowd in attendance. All Past Masters were recognized.

Bro. Gene Crady of Pewee Valley #829 was made an Honorary Member of Bedford No. 158 in recognition of Brother Crady’s service and assistance to Bedford Lodge. The Worshipful Master, Brother Terry Grawemeyer made the presentation.

On Tuesday, September 18, Pewee Valley #829 held its Past Masters Dinner, with a large crowd in attendance. All Past Masters were recognized.

Many family and friends from years back enjoyed the food and fellowship. Shown above is Master Lawrence Thompson, presenting Brother Clayton Stoes PM, with his 60 Year Pin. We are looking forward to your visit with us.

COME ON OUT. We meet the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month 6:30 PM for refreshment and 7:30 PM meeting.
On April 28, 2007, the Johnson County Degree Team of Paintsville, Kentucky traveled to Moultrie Lodge No. 381, Georgia to confer the Master Mason Degree.

The Degree Team is made up of five Lodges; Paintsville #381; Chandlersville #858; Flat Gap #616; Van Lear #885; and Jack Rice #606.

Members of the Degree Team, front row, left to right: Bobby Owens; Lifes Vanhoose; Fred McKenzie; Roger Burton; Lewis Straumbaugh; and Lee Vanhoose. Second row, left to right: Danny Sparks; Roger Owens; Clarence Ratliff; John Picklesimer; Jim Hill; and Max Kelly. Third row, left to right: Fred Hannah; Jeff Daniels; Adam Blanton; and Tommy Hitchcock.

A great meal was given by Moultrie Lodge No. 381 and Worthy Lodge No. 494.

Harry R Kendall # 750, was proud to do the Entered Apprentice Degree on Michael Driver, their newest member. Members of Philadelphia-Potter #72, from Penn. also visited the lodge with one of their Entered Apprentices. Brother Joe Parkinson, (left) Pursuivant, Brother. Frederick Ryan, Master, (center) and Brother Joe Robertson, EA (right). A great dinner and salad along with desserts of watermelon or brownies set the night off to a good start.

The out of state Brothers were here for the F.O.P. convention held in Louisville and ask to visit a couple of lodges. This may have been because Harry R. Kendall # 750 placed their lodge meeting nights at local hotels and motels. Next time you get out of town go visit a lodge.

District 20 outdoor Master Mason Degree was held on August 18th at Brother Dinwiddie Lampton's Elmendorf farm in Lexington, Kentucky. Brother Dinwiddie has graced us with the use of his farm for several years.

All offices were filled by District 20 members. Pictured, left to right: Past Grand Master, Robert Davenport; Grand Senior Warden, Herman Forrester; Brother Les Larsen; Brother Matt Scott; District Deputy Grand Master Michael Yount; Brother Chris Stout acting Master; and Brother Dinwiddie Lampton.

Mt. Eden Lodge No. 263 enjoys Family Night with a Cookout! They also celebrated the many years of devoted Fraternal service to seven worthy Brothers.

Front row, left to right: Truman Nethery - 50 Years; William Harold Huffman - 50 Years; Second row, left to right: John Bain - 40 Years; Tom Bentley - 40 Years; Shirley Nethery - 50 Years; and Donald Nethery - 50 Years. Also recognized but unable to attend: Charles Edward Casey - 60 Years.

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RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

HERMAN LEROY BRACKETT
Upton Lodge No. 479 – Upton, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Herman Leroy Brackett who died on August 24th, 2007.

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed the portals of Eternity and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem and has received as his reward, the white stone with the new name written thereon; and

WHEREAS, the all-wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment our beloved and respected Brother; and

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order for over 40 years, therefore be it RESOLVED, that Upton Lodge No. 749 F & AM, Upton, Kentucky, in testimony of our loss, Charter be draped in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that these Resolutions of Respect be published in The Masonic Home Journal.

WILLIAM BRAWNER, SEC.

EDWIN FREEMAN
Mercer Lodge No. 777 – Harrodsburg, Kentucky
Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed the portals of Eternity and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem and has received as his reward, the white stone with the new name written thereon; and

WHEREAS, the all-wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment our beloved and respected Brother; and

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order; therefore be it RESOLVED, that Mercer Lodge No. 777 F & AM, Harrodsburg, Kentucky drape its charter in mourning for a period of thirty days in testimony of our loss, and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that a copy of this Resolution of Respect be sent to the family, a copy be made part of the minutes of the Lodge.

CARL R. GREEN
Buechel Lodge No. 896 – Louisville, Kentucky
Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed the portals of Eternity and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem and has received as his reward, the white stone with the new name written thereon; and

WHEREAS, the all-wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment our beloved and respected Brother; and

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order; therefore be it RESOLVED, that Buechel Lodge No. 896 F & AM in testimony of her loss, be draped in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that a copy of these Resolutions of Respect be sent to the family, one copy to The Masonic Home Journal for publication, and a copy to be made part of the minutes of the Lodge.

GARRY L. TERRY, MASTER;
TERRY W. TRIPLET, SR., SEC.

LOUIS PARROTT
Caneyville Lodge No. 635 – Caneyville, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Louis Parrott who died August 5th, 2007.

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed the portals of Eternity and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem and has received as his reward, the white stone with the new name written thereon; and

WHEREAS, the all-wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment our beloved and respected Brother; and

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order; therefore be it RESOLVED, that Caneyville Lodge No. 635 F & AM, Masonic Charter in testimony of her loss, be draped in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to the family.

DOR偏 Lee Smallwood
Florence Lodge No. 949 – Florence, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Donald Lee Smallwood, a 29-year member of Florence Masonic Lodge who passed away September 25th, 2007 to that celestial Lodge on High.

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to call unto Himself the spirit of our deceased Brother; be it RESOLVED, that Florence Lodge No. 949 F & AM extend to his family and friends our deepest sympathy and commend them to the One on High who brings peace and comfort to troubled hearts; be it further RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution of Respect be sent to the family and a copy be spread on the minutes of the Lodge for publication, and a copy to be used in the minutes of the Lodge.

JASON L. HOLCOMB, MASTER;
Joe W. WHEED, SR., SEC.

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He has now departed from his earthly labors to eternal peace and rest in that Celestial Lodge above not made by hands.

As we bid our last farewell to our departed Brother Calvin Douglas Smith we tender to his family, relatives and friends our heartfelt sympathy in their loss. May he that never forsakes those who put their trust in Him keep them in His Holy keeping.

SCOTT E. HAM III; KEN COOPER;
BRYAN MCDONALD

PAUL DOUGLAS STALLINGS
Leitchfield Lodge No. 236 – Leitchfield, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Paul Douglas Stallings who died September 7th, 2007.

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed the portals of Eternity and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem and has received as his reward, the white stone with the new name written thereon; and

WHEREAS, the all-wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment our beloved and respected Brother; and

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order; therefore be it RESOLVED, that Leitchfield Lodge No. 236 & F & AM, Leitchfield, Kentucky in testimony of her loss, be draped in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to the family.

COMMITTEE

LOUIE ELMER WHITE
Neel Lodge No. 833 – Drake, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Louie Elmer White a true and faithful Brother for 47 years, who passed from this life on earth September 23rd, 2007 to that Greatest Lodge on High.

WHEREAS, it has pleased the Almighty God to call our Brother from labor here on earth to that Grand Lodge on High; let it be RESOLVED, that in his death we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends and direct them for comfort and consolation to our Heavenly Father who doeth all things well; therefore be it RESOLVED, that these Resolutions be sent to the family, a copy sent to The Masonic Home Journal for publication, and a copy to be used in the minutes of the Lodge.

JASON L. HOLCOMB, MASTER;
Joe W. WHEED, SR., SEC.

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NOVEMBER
1 Inspection, Ruth Electa #117
3 Turkey Dinner & Auction
5 Inspection, Oakland #571
6 CV, Park City #128
7-14 WGM in Hawaii

DECEMBER
1 Fish Fry
13 Christmas Party OES Home
13 CV, Zoneton #576
15 District 19 School

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1st & 3rd Mon., 7:30 p.m. K. D. Howard, M.; Ronald H. Taylor, Sec., 900 St. Mary Ave., Paducah 42001, 270-443-6221.

Meets in the First Presbyterian Church, Paducah 42001, 270-442-1125.

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Meets on the 2nd Saturday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Shirley M. Lofthouse, M.; Charles C. Moore, Sec., 1019 Friendship Rd., Reynolds Station 42165, 502-907-2412.

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2007-2008 GRAND LODGE ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS

Front row, left to right: Gene Crady (829-47), Right Reverend Grand Chaplain; Don Yankey (586,633), Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden; Herman M. Forrester (73), Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master; Keith Dreier (607), Most Worshipful Grand Master; L. Todd Eastham (89), Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden; Virgil T. Larimore (638), Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer; and Joseph R. Conway, PGM (4), Grand Secretary.

Back row, left to right: Jim Boucher (73), Assistant Grand Secretary; Bobby L. Baker (124), Assistant Grand Secretary; Rick Nation (662), Grand Senior Deacon; Lowell C. Hightower (208), Grand Junior Deacon; Chris L. Stout (41), Grand Marshal; Burlis C. Dean (607), Grand Sword Bearer; Bobby E. Crittendon (607), Grand Pursuivant; Bobby Danner, Jr. (905), Grand Tiler; and Bob Hunt (55), Assistant Grand Tiler.