COLUMBUS JAMES “COLONEL” HYDE PGM – PASSES

Masonic Funeral Rites were conducted at the Highlands Funeral Home, 3331 Taylorsville Road, Louisville, Kentucky, by Sunset Lodge No. 915, F.&A.M. on Monday evening, May 12, 2008. Brother Harold L. Lee, Past Master of Aurora Lodge No. 633, F.&A.M conducted the Masonic Rites in excellent form. He was assisted by the officers and members of Sunset Lodge No. 915, F.&A.M., along with a large number of members of the Fraternity, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters who were also in attendance. The Religious Services were conducted at the Highlands Funeral Home on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, 1:30 P.M. by the Bethany Baptist Church, Pastor Chuck Fuller, Dr. Lloyd Storment and The Rev. Bill Anderson officiating. Internment was in the Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery in Louisville, Kentucky.

Brother Hyde, the son of Tazwell Lee and Betty (nee James) Hyde, was born on December 19, 1916 in Brownsville, Edmonson County, Kentucky. He was educated in the public school system in Brownsville, Kentucky, subsequently, graduating from the Brownsville High School. He furthered his education by attending the University of Louisville, Southern Police Academy and the F.B.I. National Police Academy in Washington D.C. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Brother Hyde was a law-enforcement officer in the city of Louisville for over forty (40) years, having served as chief of police from 1968 to 1971. He was unsuccessful in a bid for the office of Mayor of Louisville in 1973, later describing his candidacy as “the biggest mistake of my life”. Brother Hyde was well respected by the Masonic Fraternity, his peers, professional associates and all who knew him. He gathered many honors and awards-too numerous to list in this short space - from many civic organizations, the Fraternity, and beyond, and he was always in demand as a speaker for fraternal, professional and civic organizations.

Brother Hyde and Miss Juanita Ford were married on December 8, 1935, and from that union were blessed with three daughters, Ellen, Betty and Annette, one son, James. Mrs. Juanita Ford Hyde passed away on August 11, 2004, just short of the seventieth anniversary of their marriage.

Masonic Lodge Record:
Member of Sunset Lodge No. 915, F.&A.M
Entered Apprentice-August 12, 1943
Fellow Craft-September 23, 1943
Master Mason-October 21, 1943
Installed as Master, Sunset Lodge-1951

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Columbian Lodge No. 625 – 2008 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Meagan Pickett, daughter of Darryl and Trish Pickett, is shown receiving the Wickliffe Masonic Lodge No. 625 scholarship. The scholarship was presented to Megan by Thurman Shumaker, Past Master of Wickliffe Lodge at the 2008 awards night of Ballard Memorial High School.

Meagan’s maternal grandfather was a long time Mason before he passed. Megan plans to attend Campbellsville University in the fall and Wickliffe Lodge wishes her the very best in the future.

See more “Scholarship” recipients on page 10
F. KEITH DREIER, GRAND MASTER

As I have traveled to all 30 Districts in the last 2 and half months for the District Meetings I know one thing that is constant, the love all of us have for this great fraternity of ours! All of the meetings were very well attended and I would say that the total attendance was up at least 15-20%. The forum that I used this year, as many of you know, was basically a question and answer session. I asked you, to ask me any question that you had on your mind and I would answer it to the best of my ability. Every District meeting, everyone got engaged in the Q&A session. We talked about everything from Constitutional questions, to degree work, to ritual, to what it took to be a Mason and many more things. We laughed, we debated, we probably cried a little, but in the end we all walked from those meetings with a smile and a feeling that we had a good meeting on OUR Masonry! I truly hope that you got out of your District meeting what you expected! I know I tried to make sure that I answered every question for you. It is and will always be that we as Grand Lodge Officers work for the craft and that we should understand and converse with everyone about what is going on in the craft so that we make the right decisions for the craft.

Over the last few years I have tried to make sure that you all knew that this was my philosophy. That all of us need to work together as a True Band of Brothers. We need to realize what we could be if we truly remembered everyday that we could make the difference in someone’s life and that Masonry is what pushed us in that direction to be the better man.

At the last District Meeting I was asked a very good question, “What did the founders of our fraternity have in mind when they framed the principles of the fraternity?” I answered him with this “I believe that they meant for all of us to learn and live by our teachings. That we would become the better man, the better father, the better husband and the better family of the community. That we have the Honor and Integrity of Masonry.” That is the Masonry I would love to see, the men of this fraternity to stand tall in their work, life, family and community. It still all comes down to this; “We are Masons, with Honor and Integrity, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year!”

OPERATION

While traveling the state over the last few months, many of you have shared your stories of family members serving in our armed forces. So many lives have been touched and so many of you are still dealing with the absence of a loved one on a daily basis. My prayers are with you and your family as you try to cope with this situation. Our son Brad is currently at Camp Bucca. I thought this was a great idea since so many had asked where to send Care Packages. Let’s try this! I encourage your lodge or anyone wanting to make a difference in a soldier’s life to put together a package and mail it to:

Spc. Brad Dreier
A 1-21 FA
Camp Bucca, Iraq
APO AE 09375

Mark plainly on the outside of the box ATT: ANY SOLDIER, this will let Brad know that this package is for all and not a personal one to him. Flat rate boxes are available at the Post Office and are a great help in sending packages. Your Post Office worker can explain how they work. No matter the weight of the flat rate box they are always the same price.

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart. My hope is that Camp Bucca will long remember the generosity of the Masons of Kentucky.

Love to all,
First Lady Debbie

“Never believe that a few caring people cannot change the world. For, indeed, that’s all who ever have.”

MARGARET MEAD

Grand Masters Itinerary

JULY 2008

1 Grand Lodge Officers Meeting
2 Robert Burns 163
5 Mizpah 507
8 Stone 890
9 Kosair Charities Board Meeting
12 Calvert City MM Degree
19 GL EA Degree 8am -
Louisville Scottish Rite
19 DeMolay Conclave 5pm
21 Camp Knox 919
26 GL FC Degree 8am -
Covington Scottish Rite
31 SE Grand Masters Conference -
Covington, KY

* All meetings subject to change from the end of June to the middle of July in anticipation of my 1st Grandchild being born!
GRAND LODGE OFFICE CLOSED

The Grand Lodge Office will be closed Friday, July 4, 2007 in observance of Independence Day.

NOTICE

Section 217 of the Book of Constitutions requires that all motions on resolutions pertaining to amendments of the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky shall be submitted in writing and received in the Office of the Grand Secretary no later than August 15, prior to the Annual Communication.

WAIVERS OF JURISDICTION

From time to time a Lodge may receive a petition for the degrees or for affiliation from one who does not reside within the jurisdiction of the Lodge petitioned. In such case, where the Lodge petitioned does not have jurisdiction, a request for a “waiver of jurisdiction” must be made to the Lodge within who’s jurisdiction the petitioner resides. This rule applies whether the petitioner resides within or without the state.

Section 98 of the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F.&A.M. defines a “waiver of jurisdiction” and specifies the procedure for granting or denying the same.

Periodically, questions are referred to this office regarding which Lodge is to conduct the character investigation on the petitioner- the Lodge petitioned or the Lodge from which the waiver is requested. The answer is both Lodges are to conduct an investigation. Section 98 (b) clearly charges the Lodge from which the waiver is requested to appoint a committee of three members to investigate and report on the character and qualifications of the petitioner. Further, the request must be received at a Stated Communication and one lunar month (28 days) must pass between its reception and a vote is taken thereon.

Likewise, Section 124 clearly states that a Lodge receiving a petition for initiation or affiliation from one who does not reside within the jurisdiction of the Lodge petitioned must feel comfortable that the petitioner meets their qualifications for membership in their Lodge.

In my opinion, no petitioner can be over investigated. On the contrary, they can be- and are more often than not-uninvestigated.

SERVICE AWARDS

By now you should have received, or will soon be receiving, your 50 & 60 year service award pins and 50 year service award cards. If you do not receive them by the 2nd week in July please contact one of the office staff at the Grand Lodge Office (502-893-0192). As soon as you receive the Service Awards from the Grand Lodge Office, they may be presented to the recipients immediately. The eligibility of each recipient has already been certified and the awards should be presented as soon as possible after they are received.

YEAR-END ACTIVITY REPORTS

The office staff is gearing up at this time to verify the various lodge activities for the past year and to prepare the Annual Return information for each subordinate Lodge. With the exception of only a few Lodges, the Monthly Activity Reports have been received promptly in the Grand Lodge Office insuring an accurate up-to-date account of each Lodge activity. I urge each Lodge Secretary to take care of this important duty as quickly as possible in order for the Grand Lodge Office to assemble the information for inclusion in the Annual Report and presentation at the Annual Communication in October. The sooner we have the information the quicker we can prepare the Annual Return of your Lodge for verification.

The Annual Returns should be ready to mail from the Grand Secretary's office the last week in July and, as Secretary, you should receive them around August 1, 2008. IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE THE ANNUAL RETURN FOR YOUR LODGE BY AUGUST 10TH, YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO NOTIFY THE GRAND LODGE OFFICE! Remember the deadline to return the verified Annual Returns to the Grand Secretary's Office is September 1, 2008. Payment of Lodge Assessments are also due at the same time. Late payment of Assessments and receipt of Annual Returns will cause a $1.00 per day penalty for each discrepancy to be levied until each are received in the Grand Lodge office.

The office staff and I express to each Lodge Secretary our appreciation for your dedication and efforts in keeping our records accurate and up-to-date.

Thought for the Month
And above all, watch with glittering eyes the whole world around you because the greatest secrets are always hidden in the most unlikely places. Those who don't believe in magic will never find it.

- ROALD DHAL
Lodge News & Activities...

Paducah Lodge No. 127
West Kentucky Master Mason Raising

On April 12, Paducah Lodge No. 127 held what was called the “West Kentucky Master Mason Raising.” They raised seven candidates from their own Lodge and did courtesy work by raising four candidates from other Lodges for a total of eleven candidates!

It was an all day event that started with breakfast followed by Section I. They broke for lunch and had special presentations from Brother Milliken from Lexington Colonial Lodge in Massachusetts on Brother and Patriot Paul Revere. Visiting Brother Jimmy Kilman presented the “Skull Lecture” and Dean Owen did a word by word breakdown of the “Pledge of Allegiance.” Section II was then completed with the assistance of PDDGM Ricky Tyler as King Solomon.

The candidates were raised in due and ancient form to the sublime degrees of Master Masons. A dinner was served after the degrees.

Zebulon Lodge No. 273 - Degree Work

On June 7, 2008 Zebulon Lodge 273 raised Brother Kevin Crum to the sublime Degree of a Master Mason. His Brother Keith Crum assisted in raising his brother to the sublime Degree. The degree was conferred by Master Jason Bentley. Refreshments was served, along with good food and fellowship. Pictured from left to right. Keith Crum; Kevin Crum; and Jason Bentley, Master.

Zebulon Lodge 273 in Prestonsburg initiated it’s newest Entered Apprentice in a special called communication on Saturday, June 7, 2008. New Entered Apprentice Jason Clark began his journey in Masonry. The Degree was conferred by Junior Warden Josh Hinkle, with this being his first opportunity to confer the Degree. Pictured from left to right. Josh Hinkle, Junior Warden; Jason Clark EA; and Jason Bentley, Master.

Crescent Hill Lodge No. 456
Raises Three Master Masons

Crescent Hill Lodge No. 456 had the great opportunity to raise three new Master Masons. Pictured, left to right: Richard T. Nation, Grand Senior Deacon; Robt. L. Pirrman, Master Mason; Brother Terry Bowman; George Brandon Fox, Master Mason, with his Grandfather, Brother Thomas; and Joe Roland, Past Master. Back row: Don Yankey, Grand Junior Warden; Richard Lee Murphy, Master Mason and Grandfather Bill Alexander.

A great time was had with good food, good fellowship, root beer floats and three new Master Masons raised in the Fraternity. Other Lodges helped with the work and good fellowship was had by all.

Jerusalem Lodge No. 9
Ongoing Degree Work

Entered Apprentice Degree, January 14, 2008. Pictured, left to right: James DeArmond, EA; David Summers, Master; and Joseph Hall, EA.

Entered Apprentice Degree, February 25, 2008. Pictured, left to right: David Summers, Master; Christopher Holstein, EA; and Christopher’s Grandfather, Bernie Fellwock.

Entered Apprentice Degree, March 10, 2008. Pictured, left to right: Chad Mackey, EA; and David Summers, Master.

Fellow Craft Degree, April 28, 2008. Pictured, left to right: David Summers, Master; Bernie Fellwock; Christopher Holstein; James DeArmond; and Joseph Hall.

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KRYPTON NO. 905
RISING FROM THE ASHES

Recently Krypton Lodge No. 905 had a fire which destroyed its Lodge. Diligently working to rebuild, they are about 50% finished, and the work still continues. They are hoping to have the Lodge re-dedication in late summer or early fall.

Krypton Lodge would like to thank all those who are in their prayers and for their continued generosity. Pictured, left to right: Charlie Elrod, Senior Steward; Bobby Danner, PM and Grand Tiler; John C. Campbell Jr., PM and current Secretary (seated); Mark Gibson, PM; Phil Sandlin, Junior Warden; and Daniel Williams.

ENSOR NO. 729
KENTUCKY TUX’S

Ensor Lodge No. 729 received a Dispensation to confer the Third Degree on candidates of Harmony Lodge #17 in Washington, D.C. on May 7, 2008. Ensor Lodge was proud to represent Kentucky in Washington and pictured above is the degree team, in our “Kentucky Tux’s” just before the evenings work.

On August 16, Harmony Lodge #17 in D.C. will be traveling to Kentucky to do the courtesy work at Ensor’s 30th Open Air Degree.

LYNDON NO. 960
VISIT AND SERVICE

At a recent Lodge night, Swigert-Middletown Lodge No. 218 presented Lyndon Lodge No. 960 with an altar and kneeling pads from the former Philip Swigert Lodge. Pictured are Brother Marvin Sparks, PM of Philip Swigert presenting the gift to Cecil Hardin, Master of Lyndon Lodge.

In May, Lyndon Lodge had “Masonry in Action Day” at Lyndon Park. The city of Lyndon provided plants and mulch, and the Brothers of Lyndon and other local Lodges pitched in to plant and mulch. Mayor of Lyndon, Susan Bartol joined in all the fun.

MADISONVILLE NO. 143
MASTER MASON DEGREE

On Saturday, May 24, 2008 many members of Madisonville Lodge No. 143 gave up part of their Memorial Day weekend to confer the Master Mason degree upon Mark Gerwe and Jeff Ford. Dennis Moore, DDGM of District 6, sat in the east for both sections and did an outstanding job as acting Master for this degree along with the other acting officers. Jeff Ford’s father, LeRoy Ford, traveled from Florida to participate in the raising of his son. Jeff’s grandfather, William Perry, was also in attendance. Pictured from left to right are Richard T. Nation, Grand Senior Deacon; Mark Gerve; William Perry, grandfather of Jeff Ford; Jeff Ford; LeRoy Ford, father of Jeff Ford; Daniel Franklin, Master of Madisonville No. 143; and Dennis Moore, District Deputy Grand Master of District 6.

It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it.
– ARISTOTLE

ENSOR LODGE #729 30TH ANNUAL OPEN AIR DEGREE
Saturday August 16th, 2008
Courtesy Work will be done by Harmony Lodge #17 GL District of Columbia
Country Ham Breakfast 8:00 am at Ensor #729
Jct. of St. Rt. 144 & 142 • 1st section 9:00 am
Dinner at 6:00 pm at the Brantley Farm
2344 Wrights Landing Rd, Owensboro Ky 42303
Degree work at 7:00 pm
Anyone wanting to help at the farm will be most welcome!

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS TO DO DEGREE WORK ALONG WITH KEEPERS OF THE WORK

Entered Apprentice Degree
by Don Yankey, Grand Junior Warden
July 19, 2008
Scottish Rite Temple
200 East Gray St.
Louisville, KY
Coffee and Donuts
8:00am-9:00am (EST)
Degree to start promptly at 9:00am (EST)

Fellow Craft Degree
by Todd Eastham, Grand Senior Warden
July 26, 2008
Scottish Rite Temple
1553 Madison Ave.
Covington, KY
Coffee and Donuts
8:00am-9:00am (EST)
Degree to start promptly at 9:00am (EST)

Master Mason Degree
by Keith Dreier, Grand Master
August 9, 2008
Rizpah Shrine Temple
5530 N. Main St.
Madisonville, KY
Coffee and Donuts
8:00am-9:00am (CST)
Degree to start promptly at 9:00am (CST)

The 6 candidates will be the first 6 candidates that contact the Grand Master for each degree. Only 1 candidate per lodge. A Master or Secretary of the candidate’s lodge must be present to formally answer of their credentials to receive the degree. Date and Time received will determine your place. Please contact the Grand Master either of the following two ways:
1) Email: grandmaster@grandlodgeofkentucky.org 2) Phone: 513-607-3876
BY-LAWS

AMITY LODGE NO. 40
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Amity Lodge No. 40 will vote to change its By-Laws regarding increase in dues.

BEAR WALLOW LODGE NO. 231
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Bear Wallow Lodge No. 231 will vote on By-Law amendments to change its meeting nights from the first and third Monday to the first and third Tuesday. All members are urged to attend.

WHEELWRIGHT LODGE NO. 889
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Wheelwright Lodge No. 889 will vote on changes to its By-Laws. All members are urged to attend.

NOTICES

BETHEL LODGE NO. 204
At its stated communication on Tuesday, August 19, 2008 at 7:30 p.m., at the Lodge Hall at Trenton, Kentucky, Bethel Lodge No. 204 will vote on the report and motion to consolidate with Guthrie Lodge No. 669. Any Brother wishing to see a copy of the report or to have further information should contact Randall V. Oakes, Jr., Chairman of the Joint Committee on Consolidation.

CANEYVILLE LODGE NO. 635
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Caneyville Lodge No. 635 will hold an election for Secretary and any other Office that may become vacant at that time.

PADUCAH LODGE NO. 127
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Paducah Lodge No. 127 will hold elections for Senior Warden, Treasurer and any other Office that may become vacant at that time.

ROBINSON LODGE NO. 266
At the second stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Robinson Lodge No. 266 will hold elections for Junior Steward and Senior Steward and any other Office that may become vacant at that time.

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Masonic Awards

H.A.M. HENDERSON #515
40 YEAR SERVICE PIN

On May 3, 2008, Terril Dwayne Turner (left) received his 40 year pin from Jeff Geralds (right), Master of H.A.M. Henderson Lodge No. 515. The Lodge had a family night with a potluck dinner. A wonderful time was had by all.

ROBINSON LODGE NO. 266
50 YEAR SERVICE PIN

Robinson Lodge No. 266 recently presented Brother Stanley Logsdon with his 50 year service pin, presented by Larry T. Garmon, Master of Robinson Lodge.

SIEVERS LODGE NO. 491
50 YEAR SERVICE PIN

Marvin Wasson, Master of Sievers Lodge No. 491 (left), presented Brother Boyd Prather with his 50 year pin. This is a great accomplishment and shows the dedication to our Masonic Fraternity. Congratulations Boyd!

Have you donated to the St. John’s Day League?
2008 Installation of Officers

LYNDON LODGE NO. 960
OFFICERS FOR 2008

Lyndon Lodge No. 960 elected Officers for 2008. Seated, left to right: Melvin Borich, Secretary; Terry Reese, Senior Warden; Cecil Hardin, Master; and Billy Joe Estes, Junior Warden. Standing: Scott Robinson, Senior Steward; Jessie Haydon, Tiler; Charles Shelton, Junior Deacon; and Jim Dunlap, Senior Deacon. Not pictured: Tom Marshall, Treasurer; and David Wade, Junior Steward.

JERUSALEM LODGE NO. 9
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Jerusalem Lodge No. 9 elected Officers for 2008. Left to right, front row: John Cavanah, PM; Bryce Hazelwood, Junior Deacon; Dale Fritts, Junior Warden; Steve Hall, Senior Steward; and George Combs, Treasurer. Back row: Pete Perrone, Senior Deacon; David Summers, Master; John Gish, Senior Warden; Edward Anderson, Junior Steward; James Rolls, Secretary; and Tyler Dax Wallace, PM. Not pictured: Bruce Trice, Chaplain.

PADUCH LODGE NO. 127
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Paducah Lodge No. 127 is proud to announce the following Officers for the upcoming year. Dee Page, Master; Thomas Fairhurst, Senior Warden; Ralph Dixon, Junior Warden; Bill Bowling, Senior Deacon; Ronnie Stone, Junior Deacon; Randall Myre, Senior Steward; Chuck Byerly, Junior Steward; Dean Owen, Treasurer; Mike Felker, Secretary; Ray Richardson, Jr., Chaplin; Ronnie Crenshaw, Tiler; and Richard Flowers, Lecturer. Installing Officers were PM John A. Rogers, Master, PDDGM Ricky Tyler, Marshal; and Mike Felker, Secretary. District 1 DDGM Ralph Riegger was in attendance.

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY
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- MAILING LIST UPDATES
- LODGE SUPPLIES

CONTACT THE
GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY
300 Masonic Home Drive
Masonic Home, Kentucky 40041
502-893-0192

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Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F.&A.M.:
Brother Hyde was elected and installed as Grand Junior Warden on October 23, 1958, and, subsequently, elected to the offices of Grand Senior Warden on October 22, 1959 and Deputy Grand Master on October 20, 1960. He was elected and installed as the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F.&A.M at the One Hundred and Sixty-First Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky on October 18, 1961.

Other Masonic Affiliations:
Scottish Rite:
Louisville Consistory, A.A.S.R. (1944) - Coroneted an Inspector General Honorary of the 33rd Degree

York Rite:
Eastern Star Chapter, No. 34, Royal Arch Masons, Elizabethtown, Kentucky
Elliott Council No. 24, Royal & Select Masters, Elizabethtown, Kentucky
DeMolay Commandery No. 12, Knights Templar, Louisville, Kentucky

Eastern Star (OES):
Queen Easter Chapter No.1, Louisville, Kentucky

Shrine (AAONMS):
Kosair Shrine, Louisville, Kentucky, served as Potentate of Kosair Shrine (1966).

Other Affiliations:
High Twelve Club, served as International President of High Twelve International
President of National Rifle Association of America (1961)
President of Elks Club Lodge No.8
Sons of the American Revolution
And a member of many other police, civic and fraternal organizations throughout the United States.

Brother Hyde was preceded in death by his loving wife, Juanita (Ford) Hyde, a son-in-law and a great-granddaughter. He is survived by his son, James Tazwell Hyde; daughters, Juanita Ellen Bingemer, Bettie Marie Fletcher and M. Annette Gibbs; 12 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 20 great-great-grandchildren.

As a tribute of love and respect for the memory of our departed Brother, it is ordered that this memorial be read in each Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction at the next stated communication after its receipt and that it be made a part of the record of the Lodge.

Given under my hand and seal of the Grand Lodge this day and year first above written.

F. Keith Drier, Grand Master
New ambassadors join the Homes

Ray Swanson and Mickey Cheatham are the Masonic Homes’ newest District Ambassadors. Swanson will serve District 14. A member of Pewee Valley No. 829 and Harry R. Kendall No. 750, Swanson also is active in the Scottish Rite; Chapter #5, Council #4 and Commandery #12 of the York Rite; and National Sojourners Chapter #134.

After 31 years in the U.S. Navy, Swanson was executive director of the Uniform Boiler and Pressure Vessel Law Society and operated Swanson Engineering Consulting for 13 years. He has been active in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for over 25 years.

Swanson and wife Sue live in LaGrange. They have two daughters and four granddaughters.

Mickey Cheatham will serve District 15.
Cheatham has held every office at Zoneton No. 964 and is a past District Deputy Grand Master. He also belongs to the York Rite and Scottish Rite.

Cheatham retired from General Electric after 37 years. He and wife Diane live in Louisville. They have three children, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Contact the District 14 Ambassador
Ray Swanson
2403 Elder Park Road
La Grange, KY 40031
Cell: 502.523.7938
Email: district14@mhkyda.com

Contact the District 15 Ambassador
Mickey Cheatham
508 Brookley Drive
Louisville, KY 40229
Home: 502.955.6602
Cell: 502.428.7230
Email: district15@mhkyda.com

Thank you!
Special thanks to these lodges whose exceptional generosity in 2007 helped the Masonic Homes make a difference in the lives of the seniors we serve:
• Crescent Hill No. 456
• Harrison Fullerton No. 937
• Kilwinning No. 506
• Plain City No. 449
• Plumb No. 862
• Poage No. 325
• Robert M. Sirkle No. 954
• Russell No. 284
• Shively No. 951
• Sunset No. 915
• T. N. Wise No. 349 / St. John’s Lodge No. 125 (merged in 2007)

Masonic Homes to host Midwest Cougars and all Ford show
On Saturday, August 16th, the Masonic Homes of Kentucky’s Louisville campus will be purring with sounds of Cougars and classic Fords.
Families and car enthusiasts are invited to view the Cougars and other classic Ford models from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission to the show is free. Car registration is $15 until July 30th and $20 on the day of the show.

The show is presented by the Kentuckiana Classic Cougar Club. For more information or to register a car visit www.kyianacougars.org or e-mail Club President Gary Townsend, gtcrackers@insightbb.com.

The rain date is August 23rd.
Sharing Fruits remains fresh

For more than 140 years, the generous support of Kentucky Masons has enabled the Masonic Homes to care for thousands of people who needed help, regardless of their ability to pay. This rich tradition of caring has created a legacy that Kentucky Masons can proudly carry into the years ahead.

Grand Master Keith Dreier and First Lady Debbie Dreier began Fruits of Our Labor to ensure that Masonicare residents at the Masonic Homes live full and enriching lives.

Masonicare is available to eligible Kentucky Master Masons and their wives and widows who are unable to fully pay for their care at the Masonic Homes. After other payment sources are exhausted, Masonicare funds health care and other services. Fruits of Our Labor gifts are paying the $55 average daily difference in a Masonicare resident’s expenses.

“Fruits of Our Labor is raising awareness of the quality services provided to Masonicare residents,” according to the Homes’ J Scott Judy.

The Dreiers are providing acknowledgement gifts as their personal thank you for your gift to the Masonic Homes. Share the Fruits of Your Labor to make a difference in the lives of Masonic Homes’ residents every day. Simply complete and mail the envelope enclosed in this issue of Masonic Home Journal, along with your gift.

Fruits of Our Labor to ensure that Masonicare residents at the Masonic Homes live full and enriching lives.

Sally’s Garden continues to grow, thanks to the generosity of donors whose gifts are commemorated with flower and butterfly plaques at the entrance to the Memory Care Neighborhood. At the May unveiling were (front row, from left) Tom Larimore, Doris Smith, Gene Crady and VP of Mission Advancement Phyllis O’Daniel; (second row, from left) Dennis Rutledge, Betty Rutledge, Pat Larimore, John Broadbent of Cerulean Springs No. 875, Sally’s Garden Program Coordinator Kathy Wiederhold, Opal Sargent, Phyllis Cummins and Alton Cummins; (third row, from left) PGM Curtis Johnston, PGM Harold Armstrong, Cerulean Springs No. 875 Master Willie Armstrong, Masonic Home of Louisville Administrator Israel Ray, Steve Mullins, Earl Hams of Cerulean Springs No. 875, Kilwinning No. 506 Master Shannon Stevens, Sr. VP of Operations J Scott Judy, Joe Sieler, CEO Gary Marsh and counsel to the Homes’ Board Bill Buckaway.

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PEWEE VALLEY LODGE # 829
AWARDS $1,000 SCHOLARSHIP

Bill Moore, Master of Pewee Valley #829 is shown above presenting Kelly Lynn Schumm her Certificate of Award and a check for $1,000. The scholarship funds will be sent to the school of her choice. Kelly and her family were treated to a dinner in her honor, at the Brownsboro Community Center. The 60 plus guests enjoyed a talk by Brother Roland T. Stayton on the history of Masonry in the Oldham County area over the last 190 years. Kelly is a graduate of South Oldham High School. This was the first time Pewee Valley #829 has offered a scholarship, and they look forward to many more in the future.

BAILEY-Onton LODGE NO. 538
AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP

Sara Edwards receives a scholarship award from W.M. Mark Moser on Awards and Class Night at Webster County High School in Dixon, Ky. This is the second annual scholarship awarded to a deserving student who lives in the jurisdiction of Bailey-Onton Lodge # 538 in Sebree, Ky.

CERULEAN SPRINGS LODGE NO. 875
3RD ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Worshipful Master, Willie Armstrong (left) presents a $1,000 check to Miss Lindsey Turner to further her education at Hopkinsville College. Glen Turner (right) grandfather and Lodge member looked on.

ZEBULON LODGE NO. 273
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

At the Commencement ceremonies for Prestonsburg High School, members of Zebulon Lodge No. 273 in Prestonsburg presented two $1000.00 scholarships. Zebulon Lodge sponsors two each year. The candidates must be in good academic standing, as well as excelling in the community and extra activities. This year’s winners were Kristein Little, and Brittany Collins. Pictured left to right. Giles Lovern, JD, Chris West SW, Kristein Little, Brittany Collins, and Jason Bentley, Master.

N. H. SHAW LODGE NO. 608
PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP

On May 28, 2008 Past Grand Master Barber Shelton and Master Michael Adams presented a $500.00 scholarship to Michael Barish, a senior at Hopkins County Central High School.

ROBERT M. SIRKLE LODGE NO. 954
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

In 1990, Robert M. Sirkle Lodge No. 854 presented the first college scholarship of $500.00. Since then scholarships have been presented to deserving public high school seniors in Fayette County totalling $57,000.00. This year Lafayette High School seniors Nicole Robinson (left) and Courtney Diviak (middle) each received a $2,000.00 scholarship. Presenting the awards is Kent McClanahan, Master of Sirkle Lodge.

PADUCAH LODGE NO. 127
JC JOINER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In honor of one of its most beloved members, Paducah Lodge No. 127 awarded the first annual “JC Joiner Memorial Scholarship” to Reidland High School senior, Nikki Shockley (daughter of Paducah Lodge member, David Shockley). JC Joiner was Past Master of Paducah Lodge and served on several Grand Lodge committees and held several different offices over the years. He passed away last year and is greatly missed by his Brothers. His widow, Judy was in attendance and assisted in presenting the $500.00 check to the recipient. Pictured, left to right: Randall Myre; Judy Joiner (JC’s widow); Nikki Shockley, recipient; David Shockley, father; and Ronnie Stone.

SUBURBAN LODGE NO. 740
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Suburban Masonic Lodge held their family night on Thursday, May 29, 2008. At family night Suburban awarded $3,000.00 in scholarships to six of our youth. Each recipient was awarded a $500.00 Scholarship. Master, Wayne Carby, Social Club President, Greg Coffey and Scholarship Committee members Carl Cox, Rusty Portman and Stan Robinson, P.M. presented the six scholarships to, pictured left to right Lauryn Ramey, Carl Cox, Eric Feldpausch, Brendan Wise, Evan Akers, and Samantha Weatherhead.
Masonic Community Outreach

BLOOD DRIVE
On Saturday, May 31, 2008, members of Zebulon Lodge No. 273, East Point Lodge No. 657 and John W. Hall Lodge No. 950, sponsored a Blood Drive to promote Masonic awareness in the community.

WEBSTER COUNTY LODGES SERVES DINNER TO SENIOR CITIZENS
The Masonic Lodges of Webster County prepared and served dinner to the senior citizens of Webster County in the cities of Dixon, Sebree, and Providence, Kentucky. Pictured above is Brother Bill McGrew serving the senior citizens at Bailey-Onton Lodge No. 538 in Sebree on May 13, 2008.

BOAZ MASONIC HOME LODGE NO. 850 GUEST SPEAKER - JOHN MOYERS
On Tuesday, May 27, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master and Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Scottish Rite of Kentucky, Brother John Moyers was the guest speaker at Boaz Masonic Home Lodge No. 850. Brother Moyers spoke about the difference that Masonry has made in his life.

LOCKPORT LODGE NO. 772 GRAND MASTER'S VISIT
One of the largest meetings ever held at Lockport Lodge No. 772, happened on March 20, 2008. Grand Master Keith Dreier, and other Grand Lodge Officers visited Lockport No. 772, and had a wonderful meal. Grand Master Dreier had his usual question and answer time, spoke of raising the bar in Masonry, asked the lodge where it would like to be in 10 years, and how important the Investigation Committee is to your Lodge. Over 50% of their members were at the lodge meeting that night.

MASONIC BULLETIN BOARD
BARKER LODGE NO. 129 PAST MASTERS and BIRTHDAY DINNER
Barker Lodge will honor its Past Masters with a dinner and Birthday Party for one of the most senior Past Masters, John E. Jolley, Sr. All members and their families are urged to attend to celebrate Jolley’s 85 years.
Saturday, July 26, 2008
6 p.m. Dinner – 7:30 Short Tiled Meeting
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Apperson Lodge No. 195 – Louisa, Kentucky
WHEREAS, the all wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment on May 14th, 2008 our beloved and respected Brother, Ronnie E. Holt; be it
RESOLVED, that in his passing the family has lost a beloved member and the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the Charter of Apperson Lodge No. 195 F&AM, Louisa, Kentucky be draped in mourning for thirty days; therefore be it
RESOLVED that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to his family, a copy to be spread on the minutes of this Lodge in his memory, and a copy to be sent to The Masonic Home Journal for publication.
JAMES R. MULLINS, SEC.

RICHARD JOHN LUCAS
Florence Lodge No. 949 – Florence, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Richard John Lucas, a 49 year member of Florence Lodge who passed away on May 7th, 2008 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 in his death the family has lost a true and worthy father and husband; the Fraternity an honorable and upright man and Mason and the community a valued citizen and leader; be it further
RESOLVED, that Florence Lodge No. 949 of Free and Accepted Masons 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 as a permanent record.
MARK K. OVERSTREET, MASTER;
ALBERT R. WARNER, SEC.; MICHAEL D. HON, PM

THOMAS R. MCCOY
Apperson Lodge No. 195 – Louisa, Kentucky
WHEREAS, the all wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment on May 23rd, 2008 our beloved and respected Brother, Thomas R. McCoy; be it
RESOLVED, that in his passing the family has lost a beloved member and the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the Charter of Apperson Lodge No. 195 F&AM, Louisa, Kentucky be draped in mourning for thirty days; therefore be it
RESOLVED that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to his family, a copy to be spread on the minutes of this Lodge in his memory, and a copy to be sent to The Masonic Home Journal for publication.
JAMES R. MULLINS, SEC.

LAWRENCE D. PYLES
Sievers Lodge No. 491 - Nancy, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Lawrence Pyles, who passed from this life February 24th, 2008.
Once again a Brother Mason having completed the designs on life's trestle board, has passed the portals of eternity into that house not made by human hands.
WHEREAS, the all wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment our beloved Brother; and
WHEREAS, in his passing, the family has lost a beloved member and the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; there be it
RESOLVED, that the Charter of Sievers Lodge

HENRY W. REID
Oneida Lodge No. 736 - Oneida, Kentucky
In memory of Henry W. Reid who died May 26th, 2008.
Once again a Brother has finished the designs written by the Master. He has passed onto eternity to receive the rewards of a Master Mason.
WHEREAS, Almighty God of the Universe has called a Brother to his reward; and
WHEREAS, he being a true and faithful Brother of the Craft; therefore be it
RESOLVED, that Oneida Lodge No. 736 F&AM, Oneida, Kentucky be draped in mourning for 30 days, and we tender to the family our deepest felt condolences.
ROY D. ALLEN, SEC.

ROBERT J. STRATTON
Solomon Lodge No. 5 – Shelbyville, Kentucky
Sunrise - September 29, 1921 - Sunset - June 7, 2008
Once again, the Great Architect of the Universe has dispatched his angels with the scroll of heaven and added another Masonic Brother to that list. The sun set upon him for the last time on earth, and now he will awaken to the new and brighter light of the Eternal City. He has ascended the great steps, the golden gateway has opened wide, welcoming him, and as his reward, he has received the plaudit “well done” from the Supreme Master.
WHEREAS, The all-wise and merciful Master has called our beloved and respected Brother home; and
WHEREAS, He, having been a true and faithful member of our Order since 1962; and
WHEREAS, Brother Stratton, has served his Lodge well, including as the Master of the Lodge in 1969; and
WHEREAS, our Brother, was a valued member of the community and represented the Masonic Fraternity well, including serving as Board Chairman of Masonic Homes of Kentucky; therefore be it
RESOLVED, that Solomon Lodge No. 5, F&AM of Shelbyville, Kentucky, in testimony of our loss, tenders to the family of Robert J. "Bobby" Stratton our sincere condolences; and be it finally
RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution, is hereby tendered to the family this tenth day of June, 2008 and a copy to be sent to The Masonic Home Journal for publication.

LUSTER L. STRUNK
Oneida S. Ware Lodge No. 874 - Staunton, Kentucky
WHEREAS, it has pleased the Almighty God to call Brother Luster L. Strunk from this walk of life to his reward on high; therefore be it
RESOLVED, that in his passing the family has lost a loving husband and father, the Lodge a true and faithful Brother and the community an honest citizen; be it further
RESOLVED, that we extend our sympathy to the family and the Charter of the Lodge be draped for thirty days in his memory; be it further
RESOLVED, that a copy of Resolutions of Respect be sent to The Masonic Home Journal for publication and a copy sent to the family.
MILFORD B. CREEKMORE
TIMOTHY CORDEY
FRED BARD

RICHARD WEISSINGER
Russell Lodge No. 284 – Jamestown, Kentucky
The Officers and members of Russell Lodge No. 284 F&AM in testimony of their loss shall drape their Charter in mourning for a period of thirty days in memory of Brother Richard Weissinger, who passed from this earthly abode on October 6, 2007.
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 Richard Weissinger, 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.
KAREN COOPER
DANNY K. COFFEY
SCOTT E. HAMM
III

CARL WOODFORD WILLIS
Cave City Lodge No. 790 - Cave City, Kentucky
WHEREAS, it having pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to call our brother, Carl Woodford Willis to his reward have completed the designs written for him on life's trestle board, passed through the portals of eternity and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem and hath received 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 refreshments our Beloved and respected Brother; and
WHEREAS, in his passing, the family has lost a beloved member of the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the Charter of Cave City Lodge #790 F&AM of Cave City, Kentucky in testimony of her lost, 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 copy of this Resolution be sent to the family, a copy to be made a part of the minutes of the Lodge and a copy spread across the pages of The Masonic Home Journal.
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Pictured above, left to right: Virgil T. Larimore, Jr., Grand Treasurer; Joseph R. Conway, PGM, Grand Secretary; F. Keith Dreier, Grand Master; Donald H. Yankey, Grand Jr. Warden; and Ken Meredith, Development Director, Valley of Louisville Scottish Rite.

On Thursday, May 1st 2008, the Grand Lodge of Kentucky float was once again represented in the Pegasus Parade in Louisville Kentucky.

On behalf of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Keith Dreier, thanks to the Louisville Scottish Rite, Mainstream Investments, King Southern Bank, and Masonic Homes of Kentucky for their support in helping sponsor this event. Also to the other Masonic Bodies who participated in the Parade.