DISTRICT 18

JULY 18

Alton Leroy Cummins
D.D.G.M. 18

The annual meeting of District 18 will be held on Saturday, July 18, 2009 at the Covington Scottish Rite. Dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. (est) for Master Masons and their ladies. A tiled meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m. Musical entertainment will be provided for the guests.

Directions: Covington Scottish Rite is located at 1553 Madison Avenue, Covington, Kentucky, next to a Kroger store.

DISTRICT 20

JULY 21

Ed Wilson
D.D.G.M. 20

The annual meeting of District 20 will be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2009 at the Oleika Temple, 326 Southland Dr., Lexington, Kentucky. Dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. (est) with meeting to follow for Master Masons and their ladies. A program will be provided by the Rising Star OES for the ladies.

DISTRICT 19

JULY 24

R. Eric Creech
D.D.G.M. 19

The annual meeting of District 19 will be held on Friday, July 24, 2009 at the Newport Masonic Temple. Dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. (est) for Master Masons only. Meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m.

Directions: Newport Masonic Temple, 523 Park Avenue, Newport, Kentucky.

DISTRICT 21

JULY 25

Rodney S. Elam
D.D.G.M. 21

The annual meeting of District 21 will be held on Saturday, July 25, 2009 at Franklin Lodge No. 28, Danville, Kentucky. Dinner will be held at 6:00 p.m. (est) with meeting to follow for Master Masons and their ladies. Bluegrass Band will entertain the ladies.

Directions: Go to Main St., in Danville, KY, take North 4th St., to Franklin Lodge. Lodge on right hand side of street.

Will be asking for a $6.00 donation at the door to pay for the meal. Any proceeds will go to the Mason’s Helping Mason’s Program.

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Recently Thomas DeVenny Lodge No. 928 at Freeburn, Kentucky was faced with a dilemma that eventually proved what True Masonry was all about. The Lodge Hall itself is on the second level of the building with no handicap ramp, although it does have a staircase lift, but this was not suitable or accessible for one of their newest members, Brother J.D. Daughtery.

As most Lodges within the Commonwealth, the finances for construction of such a ramp were almost out of reach as well. But, through the joint efforts of the members of Thomas DeVenny Lodge No. 928 and Stone Lodge No. 890 of Belfry, Kentucky, several donations were made relieving the Lodge of those expenses and all the construction work was performed by members of the two Lodges, working together. Brother J.D. Daughtery, although confined to his wheelchair, helped as he could. This was a remarkable yet pleasing experience for the members of both Lodges, exemplifying what True Masonry is all about, sharing and caring for one another.

We want to thank all that participated in any way for this accomplishment and encourage other Masonic Lodges to work and contribute to each other as well.

True Freemasonry at Work

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Grand Lodge Picnic

August 8th, 2009

See page 13 for more information
Grand Master’s Message

Brethren, how fast the sands of time pass through the hourglass of life, here it is July, but it seems we just began the journey of a new Masonic year. As I write this article, we have just returned from three District Meetings in Northern and Eastern Kentucky. Districts #17, 27 and 28 were all well attended, the food and fellowship was as always in abundance. The hard work of DDGM’s, Bill Jackson, Marc Rosen and Steve Barnette was greatly appreciated by the Craft and the success of the meetings is a reflection of their untiring efforts. (Thank you, Brothers!)

Patty and I, and our family recently attended Masonic Day at Churchill Downs, an old event of yesterday which has been revitalized by Shawnee #830. Brothers, this was so much fun, you know me, I am all about fun. Brothers Mike Fowler and Rick Laird worked so hard to make this a memorable event. Family, friends, food, fellowship and fun, who could ask for more. All on Millionaires Row at the world famous Churchill Downs. (I won no money!) I believe this event could become the premiere Masonic social event of the future, great job Shawnee Lodge #830, the Grand Lodge Officers had a wonderful time.

The month of July is full of Masonic and family events and as we celebrate the 4th of July, let us never take for granted the freedoms that we enjoy, through the sacrifices of many others. Let us never forget our Military men and women and their families who are vigilante at this very moment at their post, protecting our great way of life. May God bless them and return them safely home.

Past Grand Masters Roger Barnett, the Editor of our Masonic Home Journal and Keith Dreier, Web Master of our Grand Lodge of Kentucky website work tirelessly to improve these two important Communications. I appreciate the devotion of these great leaders to our craft and if you do, drop them a line or give them a call and tell them you enjoy their hard work.

The Shrine Centers of Kentucky, Rizpah, Kosair, Oleika and El Hasa have invited me to attend the Imperial Shrine Session in San Antonio, Texas, as their guest. (All Grand Masters have been invited.)

I am very proud to be a Shriner and honored to belong to Rizpah Temple, a small Temple whose nobility have great big hearts for Freemasonry and the children of our hospitals. I also plan to attend the Rainbow Girls Grand Assembly in Louisville, Kentucky in late June. I will also be attending the DeMolay Conclave and the Order of the Builders, Grand Assembly in early July.

Brothers, let’s support our young people in their endeavors, especially by your presence.

Just as a reminder ALL MASON’S DAY will be held Aug. 8th at Beech Bend Park, Bowling Green, Kentucky, 10AM until 2PM, food, entertainment, fun and fellowship, at no charge, thanks to the Masonic Homes and the Grand Lodge. If you cannot attend please consider having a open house, for family and friends, at your respective lodge in your community.

Thank you Brethren for all that you do for Freemasonry. God bless you.

Fraternally Thine,

Herman Forrester
Kentucky Grand Master

Let Your Masonic Light Shine

Brother John R. Perry
Right Reverend Grand Chaplain

The good Lord has touched many hearts this year through the prayers of Brother John Perry. Brother John inspires us all with his warm smile and firm handshake, good humor and devotion to the great Brotherhood of Freemasonry. A true Brother stands before us.

Brother Bobby Watt
Worshipful Grand Tyler

Brother Bobby Watt has served Masonry in many capacities for many years. He has traveled thousands of miles throughout our Commonwealth for the betterment of Freemasonry. Brother Bobby loves the Lord, his family and his Brother Masons. He is a shining example for all to follow.

Brother Michael Terry
Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master, District 1

Brother Terry works tirelessly on behalf of Freemasonry and the Brotherhood. Brother Michael is a great Masonic leader who loves the craft and leads by example.

Brother Luther Muncy
Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master, District 25

Brother Luther has been a cornerstone for Freemasonry for many years, and is revered by the Brethren who know him. A Brother, a mentor, a leader, a friend and a true Mason.
As we move into the “lazy hazy days of summer”—and school is out for the duration—many families are taking advantage of the opportunity to plan a vacation, or to plan various trips and numerous activities during the pleasant days of summer. However, in the Grand Lodge Office, at this time of the year, our activity picks up considerably as we close our year, prepare for the annual audit, and begin to assemble the Annual Report for the Annual Communication in October. This year we will be using an entirely new computer system to assemble the data and generate the Annual Return for each lodge, and we are hopeful that all goes well—but the reality is we expect a few glitches to surface, even though we have tried to anticipate any potential problems that may emerge. For that reason, we strongly urge each lodge Secretary to review their Annual Return closely for any errors, more especially in cases where the same member may be reported twice (under two different names i.e. initials and last name, and first name and last name, etc); The new system will prevent this type error from occurring in the future, even if, in the case of plural membership, he is reported to the Grand Lodge Office from multiple lodges.

Once all the “bugs” in the system are dealt with, and more and more lodge Secretaries access the online program, I am confident all of us will find the new system much more efficient than the old one, much easier to submit your monthly reports, easier to retrieve information and make corrections, and to communicate with the Grand Lodge Office. The added beauty of the new system is that all the current information we have for your lodge on file in the Grand Lodge Office is instantly available to you on your computer screen at home.

GRAND LODGE OFFICE CLOSED
The Grand Lodge Office will be closed Friday, July 3, 2009 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 must be received in the Office of the Grand Secretary no later than August 15, prior to the Annual Communication.

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, 2009. 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, 2009. 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
Education is when you read the fine print. Experience is what you get if you don't.
—Petr Seeger
PITMAN LODGE NO. 124 & ELKHORN LODGE NO. 568
AWARDS $500 SCHOLARSHIP
Pitman Lodge #124 and Elkhorn #568 present a $500 Scholarship to Megan Peake a Senior at Taylor County High School. Presenting the check to Megan is W.M. Charles D. Miller (left) from Elkhorn Lodge and W.M. Chris Kidwell (right) from Pitman Lodge. This is the first Masonic Scholarship given to a graduating Senior from the local schools.

PEWEE VALLEY LODGE NO. 829
AWARDS $1,000 SCHOLARSHIP
Pewee Valley #829 awarded a $1,000 scholarship to Brittany Shaver who is graduating from South Oldham High School. Pictured above Master Brian Willey and Britney's Mother and sister who also attended the awards ceremony and dinner. Brittany has a GPA of 4.0 and plans on attending the University of Kentucky. She volunteers at Habitat for Humanity, Wayside Christian Center and Operation Christmas Child. She currently works at CVS Pharmacy. Her proud parents are Richard and Patricia Shaver. Pewee Valley #829 is proud to be able to award a scholarship for the 3rd year.

Hiram Lodge #4 F&AM, Frankfort, Ky., established a scholarship program in the name of George L. Ralston in 2006 as a memorial for his past work within the Frankfort/Franklin County area and Lodge. George was a Past Master of this Lodge and a person who always attempted to help and assist those students who were in need, so that they might be able to continue their education.

While it started as a modest amount, it has grown to over $500.00 per student; which in many cases is only a stipend. It is the hope of the Lodge that the amount will continue to increase in the years to come.

In the beginning it was primarily focused on the students of Frankfort High School but expanded to cover all High Schools within the Franklin County area, which are Western Hills High School, Frankfort High School and Franklin County High School.

Today Hiram Lodge #4 has presented over $2500 in scholarships’ to students, and as its income increases, it will continue to do so along with increases to the current $500.00 per selected student at each High School.

Pictured above: On June 8th, 2009, Les Larsen, Master of Hiram Lodge #4 presented a scholarship to David Crowe of Western Hills High School at their annual awards ceremony.

Pictured below: On June 9th, 2009, Les Larsen, Master of Hiram Lodge #4 presented a scholarship to Abigail LeCompte of Frankfort High School at their annual awards ceremony.

BUECHEL LODGE NO. 896
AWARDS $500 SCHOLARSHIP
Tony Sattich, Master of Buechel Lodge No. 896 presented their 2008-2009 Academic Achievement and Community Service Scholarship for $500 to Miss Cara Moore.

OLIVE HILL LODGE NO. 629
AWARDS $500 SCHOLARSHIP
Olive Hill Masonic Lodge No. 629 F&AM recently awarded the C.C. Brooks Masonic Scholarship to Jeremiah Lewis, a Senior at West Carter High School. Jeremiah is the son of Rick and Rhonda Lewis of Olive Hill. The $500 scholarship was awarded based on the applicant’s character, grades, attendance, participation in civic and extra curricular activities, and plans to pursue further education. C.C. Brooks was the first Master of Olive Hill Masonic Lodge No. 629 in 1866. Pictured from left to right: Edwin Cook, Junior Warden; John Steagall, Master of Olive Hill Lodge; Jeremiah Lewis; and Tony James, Senior Warden.
Masonic News

Rockport Lodge 112 – Custom Compass

Tony Coomes, Master of Rockport Lodge No. 112 had been admiring Ray Harney’s wood working skills in Stanley Lodge No. 878 during an Entered Apprentice Degree visitation earlier this year. Brother Ray took it upon himself to make Rockport Lodge a wooden square, compass and tripod. It was presented to Rockport Lodge on June 1, 2009 at their regular stated meeting. Every member of Rockport Lodge personally thanked Brother Ray after the meeting.

Lyndon Lodge 960 – Widows Pin

Master, Cecil Hardin of Lyndon Lodge No. 960 recently presented Widow’s Pins to Peggy Hausman, (left) and Pauline Haydon, (right). Both ladies were honored and grateful to receive their pins.

Orie S. Ware Lodge 874 – Raises Four

On May 5, 2009, at Orie S. Ware Lodge No. 874, three Fellowcraft Masons were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Much of the Degree work was done by the Somerset Lodge Degree Team. Pictured, left to right: Steve Wilmot; Freddie Burchfield; Jason Hamlin, Gary Fleming, DDGM; and Master. Back row: Sam Anderson.

Devotion Lodge 160 – New Master Masons

On May 18, 2009, Devotion Lodge No. 160 raised two candidates in due and ancient form to the Sublime Degrees of Master Mason. The Legend of the Temple cast was comprised of Devotion Lodge No. 160 members. Dinner was served at 6:00 pm, with the Ritual beginning at 7:00 pm. John D. Jacobs, PM, directed the Degree Team. Pictured from left to right: Robert W. Davenport, PGM; Bruce Dudley Burton, Master Mason; Patrick John Sinclair, Master Mason; and Chris Hall, Master.

Milton Lodge 947 – Presentations

Milton Lodge No. 947 moved into their new building on Hwy. #421 in Trimble County. They are proud to have three new Entered Apprentice in their Lodge at the new location, with Degree work going on each month. Milton Lodge No. 947 has a lot of enthusiasm and looks forward to having some of their older members return to the ground floor building along with other new members. They meet the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM.

Kentucky State Fair Booth

August 20th - 30th

Sign up now to volunteer to work this year’s Grand Lodge of Kentucky Booth at the State Fair. August 20th through August 30th.

Booth will be open from 10:00 AM until 10:00 PM.

Sign your group or Lodge up now while selected times are available.

Contact David E. Carter PGM
For more information 502-594-9120
Mt. Gilead Lodge 255 held a country ham breakfast on Saturday, June 6, to raise money for the Lodge’s charitable contributions to the community. The breakfast had a great turnout. The Lodge plans to make this an annual event on the first Saturday in June.

photo by Donnie Brake

Van Lear Lodge 885 hosted a county wide Master Masons degree at the Van Lear Lodge Hall on May 16, 2009. Seven Brothers were made Master Masons. They were from Van Lear Lodge 885 and Chancellorsville Lodge 858. The Johnson County Degree Team performed the long form ritual.

A good crowd was present with plenty to eat. A good time was had by all.

Van Lear Lodge 885 raised Brother Albert Dollarhide to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on August 23, 1976. On May 16, 2009, he was able to witness his son and two grandsons raised to a Master Mason in the same Lodge Hall, and was very proud to help raise them.

Pictured, left to right: Albert Dollarhide Sr.; Albert Dollarhide Jr.; Eric Dollarhide; and Ryan Dollarhide.

Landmark Lodge 41 of Versailles, Kentucky raised Brother Chris Bicknell to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Pictured, left to right, front row: Forrest Cardwell; Pete Padova; Chris Bicknell, Master Mason; Andy Dixon; John Phillips; and Sherman “Butch” Landrum. Back row: Brett Brocksmith; John Feamster; Rob Forry; Chad Stechschulte; and Gary Finell. Congratulations Brother Bicknell.

Photo by Joe Giles
Madisonville Lodge 143 – New Marine Brother

Thursday, May 28, 2009, Madisonville Lodge 143 conferred the Entered Apprentice Degree on a 20 year old Lance Corporal in the United States Marine Corps. Our new Brother, Carl Snyder III is Madisonville’s youngest ever initiated into Masonry. He was home on leave for a short time before being deployed to Yuma, Arizona, then on to the Marine Corps fleet. To make the evening even more special, his brother Shawn Snyder was the Senior Deacon, and his father Carl Snyder was the acting Master who conferred the degree. D.D.G.M. Kenneth Vincent attended, as well as members from four other local lodges. It was a moving, patriotic, and emotional ceremony that inspired and re-energized all our minds on the virtues of our great fraternity. Congratulations Brother Carl, your Brother’s prayers will be with you on your journey.

James W. Alley Lodge 869 – Master Masons

On April 27, 2009 James W. Alley Lodge No. 869 raised one Brother to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Pictured, front row: Newly raised Master Mason, Jimmy Dale Lawson. Second Row: Jerry Thomas, Senior Deacon; Douglas A. Harvey, Junior Warden; Ernest Jackson, Master; Ernie Gullett, Senior Warden; James Reynolds, Senior Steward; and Rick Howard, Secretary. Back row: Deon Howard, Junior Deacon; Jason Lance; Acting Junior Steward; and Donnie Shannon, Acting Chaplain.

On May 25th, 2009 James W. Alley Lodge No. 869 raised two Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Pictured, left to right, front row: Newly raised Master Masons, Scott Bellamy, Carson Akers, and A.C. Howard, Tiler. Second Row: Jason Lance, Acting Junior Steward; Jerry Thomas, Senior Deacon; James Reynolds, Senior Steward; and Donnie Shannon, Acting Chaplain.

Burnside Masonic Lodge 634 held their Annual Fish Fry on Friday, June 5 and it was a huge success. Monies raised help with the Lodge’s charities they support. In addition a quilt made by Cloa Hardy and Sue Thurman was raffled off and raised over $400.00 for Hospice of Lake Cumberland. Not only does this help with Lodge’s charities, it is a good community service and promotes Masonic awareness in the community. The fish fry is held the first Friday in June.

The Valley of Lexington, Orient of Kentucky Scottish Rite of Freemasonry

Cordially invites all Masons, their Ladies and their Guests to a Very Special Masonic Education Program on Thursday, August 20, 2009 Dinner at 6:00 – Presentation at 7:00

Featuring Special Guest Speaker
Professor Steven C. Bullock
at The Lexington Scottish Rite Consistory 553 Rosemont Garden Lexington, Kentucky

Professor Steven C. Bullock
Author And Historian With An Emphasis In The Following Areas: Colonial and Revolutionary America; 19th Century America; American Social and Cultural History and English History Professor Bullock travels extensively and moderates scholarly discussion regarding his research and his published work, and, The Valley of Lexington is very proud to offer this evening of education and fellowship to the first 150 who register.

Please R.S.V.P. to the Lexington Scottish Rite Office at 859-277-7856 no later than Thursday, August 13, 2009.
License plate provides new vehicle for giving

Beginning June 1, 2009, every Master Mason in Kentucky has a new opportunity to assist those who rely on the Masonic Homes for their care. It’s as easy as renewing your vehicle license plate.

Thanks to the passage of House Bill 74 (sponsored by Rep. Jim DeCosare, Bowling Green No. 73), Kentucky Masons can make a voluntary $10 donation to the Masonic Homes when renewing their specialized Masonic vehicle license plate. The Masonic plate features the Masonic emblem and tagline, Making Good Men Better.

To purchase the specialized plate, simply bring proof of Masonic membership to your county clerk’s office, along with information to license your vehicle. For details about the Masonic plate and vehicle license fees, or to request a personalized Masonic plate, contact your county clerk’s office.

Nursing Home Week spotlights residents

A traveling pet show from the Louisville Zoo. Talent shows starring Masonic Home staff. Renewing marriage vows with the chaplain dressed as Elvis. The Senior Prom.

These and other events marked 2009’s National Nursing Home Week celebrations at the Louisville and Shelbyville Homes. First observed in 1967, the annual weeklong observance is held during the second week of May.

“It’s truly an opportunity to involve residents, their families, the staff and the community in special events,” said Shelbyville Administrator Debra Finneran. “All of us look forward to this week every year.”

The 2009 theme was Nurturing a Love That Lasts, and both Homes planned experiences for residents that would make memories.

Part of that love is between residents and Masonic Home staff, according to Louisville Administrator Lori Hess. “Through the special events during National Nursing Home Week, it’s easy to see how greatly our residents and staff care about each other, and those are relationships worth celebrating.”
From the ground up

Construction of the $30 million Care Center on Louisville the campus has progressed from site preparation to constructing basement footings and walls. Preparations are underway to connect the existing Personal Care Center (rear, center of photo). Although spring’s wet weather slowed the earthwork, the project is still on track for completion in December 2010.

Masonic Homes: your vacation destination du jour

By BRUCE LOTT — Sr./VP Mission Advancement & CDO

School is out, the weather’s finally warmed up and folks are scrambling to find that perfect vacation spot. Doesn’t matter where it is, only that it’s a change of place and pace.

Many of you may be taking that needed vacation. You’ve earned it, you deserve it, and by golly you’re going to take it. But, please don’t forget the hundreds of persons being cared for at your Masonic Homes. For us, it’s a 24/7/365 job. Care doesn’t take a vacation.

Before you take off for the sunny coast, the mountains, or just a trip to visit family, please take a moment now to write a check and mail it in the envelope in this issue of the Journal. When you do, you’ll have the satisfaction of knowing you can rest easy because those in our care are resting easier, due to your sharing from your bounty.

Enjoy your vacation, and thank you for remembering those served by your Homes.

And by the way, if your travels bring you anywhere near Louisville, Shelbyville, or Taylor Mill, stop in and see us. We’d love to show you the exciting things we’re doing on your behalf.

Worth a Thousand Words

Above: Masonic Home Village residents Dottie Tabak and Robert Bradley showed appreciation to the Wheatley Golf Tournament which netted more than $1,000 for the Homes.

Above Right: C.N.A. Patricia Grant prepared for the survivor’s lap while Sandra Bunch and Daisy Baxter (right) carried the banner during Shelby County’s 2009 Relay For Life. Masonic Home of Shelbyville’s team raised $4,226 for this year’s event.
Robert Forker, Master, presents a plaque to Mark Moser, Past Master for his guidance and leadership while Master of Bailey-Onton Lodge in 2008.

Boone-Union Lodge 304
Pin Presentations

Brother George Thomas Atha (left) is presented his 50-Year Service Award by Master Edward Tanner.

Brothers Preston Sandlin (left) and Thomas Leathers (right) were presented their 50-Year Service Award.

Have you made your contribution to the St. John’s Day League?

NOTICE
ENSOR LODGE NO. 729
31ST ANNUAL OPEN AIR DEGREE
SATURDAY AUGUST 8TH, 2009
Country Ham Breakfast 8:00 AM
Jct of ST. RT. 142 & 144 – 1st. Sec. 9:00 AM
NEW LOCATION FOR THE OPEN AIR
Charlie Dawson’s Farm
2169 Yelvington-Knottsville Rd., Maceo KY 42355
Dinner at 6:00 PM – Degree Work at 7:00 PM
Anyone wanting to help at the farm is welcome.
Charlie’s farm is just North off ST. Rt. 1389 on Yelvington Knottsville Rd. just follow the signs. If you need further information call Master, Donny Benson, 270-685-2618 or Secretary, Bob Skaggs, 270-233-9548
Masonic Community Outreach

Harlan County’s Masons Helping In Time of Need

On May 14, 2009, Deputies and Chaplains of the Harlan County Sheriff’s Office delivered several hundred cases of water, Gatorade, clothes, and furniture to the people of the flood disaster in Eastern Kentucky which included Sheriff Marvin Lipfird, Master Mason of Yocum Lodge, along with District Deputy Grand Master District-30, Silas Whitehead, and several members of Field’s Lodge No. 832. “The Sheriff has always helped people in the time of need, he is most definite a true Mason. Whenever something bad happens to any of our communities, the Sheriff, his Deputies, and the Chaplain Corp. are always there making a difference in someone’s life. “I challenge all the Lodges in the State to be more productive in our communities and neighboring areas when disasters hit, and help those people that are in need,” said Silas Whitehead, District Deputy Grand Master District 30. Breathitt Co. was hit pretty hard with storms and the flooding was devastating. Many families in that area lost everything. Now, because of Mason’s like Sheriff Marvin Lipfird and others in District 30, they have water, clothes, and food.

Somerset Lodge 111– Donations

Brother Michael Grigsby presented Becky Johnson, Executive Director of the AIM Pregnancy Support Center with a check in the amount of $250.00 to assist with their work in Pulaski County. The check was presented on behalf of Somerset Lodge No. 111, Dave Avera, Master.

Glenn Blevens, (left) and Kenny Wallace, (right) on behalf of the members of Somerset Masonic Lodge No. 111 and Dave Avera, Master, donated a check in the amount of $250.00 to Brooke Cary (center) an organizer for Relay for Life.

Want to see Your Lodge in the Masonic Home Journal?
Email articles & photos by the 10th of each month to: masonichomejournal@hotmail.com

NOTICE

MONTICELLO LODGE 431

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Monticello Lodge No. 431 will hold a nomination and election of Junior Warden and any other Office that might become vacant that time.

PARIS LODGE 2

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Paris Lodge No. 2 will hold an election for the Office of Master and any other Office that may become vacant at that time. All members are urged to attend.

BY-LAWS

H. B. GRANT LODGE 610

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, H. B. Grant Lodge No. 610 will vote on its By-Laws, any changes, revisions or corrections that may be made at that time. All eligible members are urged to attend.

JENKINS LODGE 856

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Jenkins Lodge No. 856 will vote on proposed changes to its By-Laws.

ORIENT LODGE 500

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Orient Lodge No. 500 will vote on By-Laws changes dealing with Lodge dues. All eligible members are urged to attend.

N. H. SHAW LODGE 608

At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, N. H. Shaw Lodge No. 608 will discuss and vote on proposed changes in its By-Laws to raise the annual dues. All members are urged to attend.

DISTRIBUTION DEPUTY ORIENTATION

September 25 & 26
held at the Embassy Suites in Lexington
Located off I-64
the second exit coming from Louisville and the second exit coming from Ashland.

Kentucky Order of the Eastern Star

DIANA FORD GILROY
Worthy Grand Matron

WESDIE LEE WEBB
Worthy Grand Patron

JULY ITINERARY

04 Independence Day
07 CV & 100th Anniversary – Lewisburg # 108, Dist. 17
09 LOF & Ice Cream Social - Irvington # 544, Dist. 11
11 Grand Officer Party for AGM & AGP & Announcements @ El Hasa Temple in Camdensburg
13 CV – Hamilton # 293, Dist. 2
14 CV & LOF – Fairdale # 560, Dist. 1
17 CV & LOF – Brilliant Star # 150, Dist. 1
18 OES Home Board Meeting
Demolay Cordlave @ Williamsburg
21 CV – Hiram # 93, Dist. 2
25 Christmas in July for Shrine Hospital
Pantomime Show @ Louisville
Scottish Rite

Kentucky Order of the Amaranth

JULY ITINERARY

July 4th – Ways & Means Bake Sale
(Suburban Lodge)
July 10th – Laurel Ct. – DGRM Official Visit
July 11th – Friendship Ct. – DGRM Official Visit
July 20th – Queen Victoria (Corbin) – DGRM Official Visit
July 22nd – Kentucky Ct.
July 22nd – Queen Esther Ct. (Florence) – DGRM Official Visit
July 24th – Minnie Selby Ct. (Vine Grove) – DGRM Official Visit
July 25th – Philanthropic Bake Sale
(Kroger’s in Valley Station)
RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

LEVON BAKER
Wheelwright Lodge No. 889 – Wheelwright, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Levon Baker who died April 18th, 2009.

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

and entered the Grand Lodge of the New

board, has passed through the portals of eternity and entered into

ed the designs written for him on life’s trestle

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Wheelwright Lodge No. 889 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 be sent to the family, and one copy to The Masonic Home Journal for publication, and a copy of this Resolution of Respect be made a part of the minutes of this Lodge.

KEVIN D. BRYANT, MASTER; ANTHONY MORRIS, SEC.

ELBERT S. LESTER
Linton Lodge No. 783 – Cadiz, Kentucky


WHEREAS, our departed Brother has been a true and faithful worker in the quarries of Masonry; 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 Linton Lodge No. 783 F&AM, Cadiz, Kentucky drape its charter in mourning for a period of 30 days in testimony of our loss, and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolence in their affliction, and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the family, a copy upon the minutes of the Lodge in his memory, and a copy be sent to The Masonic Home Journal for publication.

BOBBY KNIGHT, MASTER; DONALD BOYD, SEC.

ROBERT LEE LIMING
Florence Lodge No. 949 – Florence, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Robert Lee Liming, a 49-year member of Florence Masonic Lodge who passed away January 8th, 2009.

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, 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 this Lodge as a permanent record.

MICHAEL D. HUN, MASTER; RALPH L. BIRDDO, S.W.; ALBERT R. WARNER, SEC.

SHIRLEY L. DUGGINS
Salt River Lodge No. 180 – Mt. Washington, Kentucky

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed through the portals of eternity and entered the Grand Lodge of the New Jerusalem and hath 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 Salt River Lodge No. 180 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 be sent to the family, one copy to The Masonic Home Journal for publication, and a copy of this Resolution of Respect be made a part of the minutes of this Lodge.

KEVIN D. BRYANT, MASTER; ANTHONY MORRIS, SEC.

BOBBY D. RULEY
New Salem Lodge No. 462 – Franklin, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Bobby D. Ruley who passed away on May 25th, 2009.

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order; therefore 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 New Salem Lodge No. 462 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.

EDGAR STEELE, MASTER; CARL MOODY, SEC.

BILLY BRUCE RUSSELL
Freedom Lodge No. 643 – Sunnybrook, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Billy Bruce Russell who passed away on May 25th, 2009.

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Freedom Lodge No. 643 be draped for thirty days and a copy of this Resolution of Respect be sent to his widow and family to show our deep affection for our departed Brother.

CHARLES SIZMORE, MASTER; DONNIE BRAKE, SEC.

FRANK WILLIAMS, JR.
Warfield Lodge No. 882 – Warfield, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Frank Williams, Jr., a true and faithful Brother who passed from this life on Earth on May 13th, 2009, to that Greatest Lodge on High.

WHEREAS, it has pleased the Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call unto Himself the spirit of our deceased Brother; be it

RESOLVED, that in his death we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends, and direct them to comfort and consolation to our Heavenly Father who doeth all things well.

KYLE SAMMONS, MASTER; HERMAN FLETCHER, SEC.

God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired,
When a cure was not to be,
So He wrapped his arms around you,
and whispered, "come to me."

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On August 8th, 2009, your Grand Lodge will host a Brother, Family and Friends Picnic at Beech Bend Park in Bowling Green Ky from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

The picnic will be located in the River Bend Shelter area. (follow the signs) Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips and a Drink will be provided – at no charge.

Admission to the Park is $24.00.
A Campground is on site for $25.00 per night.

Come join us for a time of Fraternal Fellowship with our Families and Friends.

For more information and directions go to
www.beechbend.com
WILLIS STEWART LODGE NO. 224—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 P.M., at Masonic Temple, Hwy. No. 60 E, Lincolnburg; R. B. Johnson, M.; Joseph R. Conway, P.G.M. (43); Robert B. Nunnally, Sec.; 102 West Main St., Campbellsburg; 502-386-2456.

BEAR WALLOWALOVO LODGE NO. 231—Meets 1st & 3rd Friday, 9:15 P.M., Cave City, Hwy. C-393, across from Waverly Motel; Dennis A. Phillips, M.; George W. Frey, Sec.; 3800 Love Road, Cave City; 270-386-7206.


LPresbyterian Lodge NO. 523—Meets 1st & 3rd Sat. at Faith Temple Church, 2nd & 4th Saturdays, 7:30 P.M., at Faith Temple Church, 3rd Floor, E.G. Anderson Drive, Leitchfield; Dr. Jeffrey Ritchie (3rd Floor, E.G. Anderson Drive), 9th Degree, Past W.M.; 314 Main St., Leitchfield; 270-364-2712.

ROBINSON LODGE NO. 266—Meets in Robinson Lodge Hall, 619 Appling Ln., Leitchfield; Robert T. Pollard, M.; Jerry A. Teresi, Sec.; 619 Appling Ln., Leitchfield; 270-364-2207.

LADY LODGE NO. 15—Meets 1st Sat. & 3rd Mon., 7:30 P.M., at Center Presbyterian Church, St. Francisville, KY; Cynthia H. B. Logan, M.; Mary E. Mann, Sec.; 605 3rd Street, St. Francisville; 502-364-2141.

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GARKEB LODGE NO. 9—Meets 2nd & 4th, 7:00 P.M., 500 Washington Ave., Elizabethtown; Daniel B. Thiele, M.; Thomas J. Moore, Sec.; 419 N. Main St., Elizabethtown; 270-634-8232.

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New Roe Lodge 592
Service Award Presentations

On Saturday, May 23, 2009, approximately 40 Freemasons from Kentucky gathered at New Roe Lodge No. 592 to honor L. B. Travelstead (40 years), Charles Wade (40 years) and Billy Michael Taylor, Grand Senior Deacon (25 years). Many Grand Lodge Officers driving from as far away as four hours were present for this occasion.

Following a delicious potluck dinner with grilled chicken breasts, a called meeting was held to honor these dedicated members. Many kind remarks from the Grand Master Herman Forrester, along with many of the Grand Lodge Officers were made for these three fine Brothers, who have served the Lodge with the utmost dedication.

This was a great, memorable evening for Freemasonry in Kentucky. Though this Lodge may be small in size and membership, it is certainly large in hospitality and fellowship. New Roe Lodge is a prime example of what a Masonic Lodge should be and certainly worth a visit from any member who has never visited this lodge.

Camp Knox Lodge No. 919 – Scottish Rite Patent

Camp Knox Lodge No. 919 was presented a Scottish Rite Patent, issued to Brother Donald Yates Morgan, a Master Mason and member of Camp Knox Lodge. Brother Morgan received the document from the Scottish Rite Temple on October 30, 1959. It is noted that it bears the signatures of Douglas MacArthur, Omar Bradley; Harry S. Truman; and Roy Rogers & Trigger. It is proudly displayed at Camp Knox Lodge.

Camp Knox Lodge No. 919 – Raises Master Masons

Camp Knox Lodge No. 919 raised two Fellowcrafts to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on March 16, 2009. Pictured, left to right: Terry L. Bowman, Grand Junior Warden; Brother Michael F. Farina; and Brother Jason H. Evans. The C. Frye Haley Past Masters Association assisted in the raising of the Brothers.