Brent Morris Visits Kentucky

At a called communication of Lancaster Lodge No. 104 F&AM, Brother Brent Morris participated in a question & answer session with the Brethren assembled. Following the meeting there was a book signing and a meet and greet with Dr. Morris. Pictured, seated: Dr. Brent Morris. Standing, left to right: David Meade, Senior Warden; Jonathan Collett, Junior Warden; and Johnny Yates, Master.

Stanley W. Crawley, Passes Master Shively Lodge No. 951

On Tuesday, May 4, 2010, Stanley W. Crawley, Master, Shively Lodge No. 951 passed away.

Brother Crawley served as the Charter Master for Shively Lodge No. 951 in 1960. Brother Crawley was currently serving as the 50th Master of Shively Lodge No. 951, a task no other Master has accomplished.

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of Shively Lodge No. 951.

Brother Crawley was a member of Daylight Lodge No. 760, where he received his Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason degrees.

Brother Crawley was a 33º degree Scottish Rite Mason, and was serving the Valley of Louisville as Secretary/Registrar.

Grand Master, L. Todd Eastham Visits McKinney Lodge 631

Top row: Grand Master L. Todd Eastham; Bottom row, left to right: Rusty Lewis, Keeper of the Work; Paul Lewis, DDGM #21; Gerald Lewis, Master, McKinney Lodge No. 631; Bob Hunt, Committee on Transportation; Gene Grady, Committee on Arrangements; Johnny Yates, Master, Lancaster Lodge No. 60; and Marshall Geoghegan, District Ambassador District #17.
Grand Master’s Message

This month I have little to say, other than I am proud of all of who sacrifice their time and energy for this great Fraternity. I think it only proper at this point to free up some space for our Lodges to get some of their articles and pictures in. God Bless each of you, and I’ll see you down the road somewhere.

Todd

EXECUTIVE ORDER
MAY 10, 2010
GREENUP, KENTUCKY

Any false statement given on a petition for the degrees by a candidate shall immediately terminate all vestiges of Masonry on his part, even if the erroneous statements are found out after any particular degree has been conferred. Additionally, his money shall be returned in full and it shall also stand that he may not re-petition for membership except as provided in the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M.

This Executive Order is issued under my hand, as President of the Corporation, this 10th day of May, 2010

L. Todd Eastham, President

St. John’s Day League of Kentucky

Brothers of Kentucky Grand Lodge Masons:

It seems like we no sooner get our Appeal Letter out, and it’s already time for another. It appears that very few of our Brothers read our Appeal last year, as it was the lowest return we have ever had in all the years we have been sending the appeal out.

We understand that everyone has been so used to getting the decal in the mail with the Appeal Letter and now feel like they are not getting anything for their money.

Brothers, we hope that you can understand that when our appeal monies drop down like it has in the past several years, we, like all organizations must cut costs. By putting our Appeal Letter in the Masonic Home Journal, we cut about $18,000 to $20,000 from our operating cost. This can be changed back to the old way, but only if the Masons of Kentucky help me.

Brothers, last year’s donations were $78,000, but that was because we were remembered in 2 of our Members wills. We can’t count on that every year, but we do want to count on you and your love for our Masonic Homes to be able to continue to be the largest contributor to Masonic Homes of Kentucky.

Brothers, we would also like to inform you that our Masonic Homes are the only real charity that we have left and are able to claim our donations off of our taxes. We ask you to please think of all of our Masonic Brothers and Widows that live here and depend on us for their care.

Brothers, give as best as you can and you will be blessed beyond words. Thanking you in advance because we know you will answer this need wholeheartedly.

Fraternally Thine,

John E. Shelton, President

CALLING ALL MASON S,
WE NEED YOUR HELP DEVOURING:
100-lbs of Southern Ribs,
3 Cases of Chicken & 5 Boston Butts at the
32nd ANNUAL ENSOR LODGE NO. 729
OPEN AIR DEGREE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 2010
Country Ham Breakfast 8:00 AM at Ensor #729
Jct of ST. RT. 142 & 144 – 1st sec 9:00 AM
1st Sec: following breakfast at the Lodge
Dinner at 6:00PM – Degree Work at 7:00PM
at Charlie Dawson’s Farm,
2169 Yelvington-Knottsville Rd., Maceo, KY 42355
Tickets $7.00 in advance $8.00 at the farm
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 Chris McKee, 270-993-0775;
or Secretary Bob Skaggs, 270-929-1460

Landmark Lodge No. 41
Ray Tucker Memorial Hospice Golf Tournament

On Monday, June 14, 2010 Landmark Masonic Lodge # 41 F. & A.M. will host its 9th annual Ray Tucker Memorial HOSPICE of the Bluegrass Golf Tournament. This annual golf tournament over the last eight years has allowed Landmark Masonic Lodge # 41 to donate over $38,500.00 to HOSPICE of the Bluegrass.

The format of the tournament is a scramble. It will be held at the Brook Golf Course in Versailles, Kentucky. Lunch will be served at 12:00 Noon and a shotgun start at 1:00 PM. The entry fee is: $55.00 per player. Hole Sponsorships are $100.00 and a hole sponsorship and four-man team is $320.00. For more information contact: Non Evans Jr. (859) 229-5497; Chris L. Stout at (630) 842-8432; Wendell L. Shipp (859) 351-9462; or Michael Ford at (859) 321-4601.
“We've got to change”. “Masonry has to change”. “We’re stuck in the past”. “The older members of the lodge resist any change at all”. No doubt we have all heard these remarks regarding Freemasonry at one time or another. What we may fail to realize is that we have changed over time, slowly perhaps— but changed nevertheless. Certainly, the principles and tenets of the Craft have not changed because they are unchangeable: however our modern day approach to the Fraternity, and the way we practice our Craft, has slowly changed from the way we approached and practiced it a century or so ago. Today we do not meet by a moon schedule, though a few lodges still do so. We no longer travel to lodge by horseback, though we do arrive via horsepower. We no longer struggle to see by moonlight, candle power, or gaslight— but by a constant light source, measured by candlepower (expressed in lumens) supplied by electric current. We no longer have to experience the uneven heat of a coal or wood burning stove to break the chill of the cold of winter, or the opening of vents and windows to get relief from the summer heat— but have the option of central heating and cooling technology to provide us with a comfortable environment during our lodge Communications.

So, considering the above facts, it becomes quite obvious that the Fraternity has succumbed over so slowly to change over time. The fact it does change is a natural phenomenon since the world, and nature, does not exist in a static state— but in a dynamic state. Dynamics, and the basic laws of dynamics (kinetics) is that an object in motion tends to remain in motion until influenced by some outside force. So it is with our Fraternity. The principles of Freemasonry remain in constant motion, the same as they were in the beginning; however, our approach to the practice of the Craft has been influenced by the slow moving change of society and expansion of technology. So it becomes quite obvious, considering all the advantages available to us in these modern times, that all change is not a thing to fear, and that Freemasonry has done a reasonable job of meeting the challenges of changes in our society, while holding steadfast to the unchangeable tenets of the Fraternity.

Therefore, it appears, to me at least, that it’s not change in its self that draws resistance from the membership— but it’s the pace and rate of drastic “change” over a short period of time. Slow change appears to come from thorough and deliberate consideration of the need for a change, one seen as necessary to address a situation, or situations, that is perceived to be a problem for the Fraternity. Many times a drastic, or quick, change seems to be directed more to the symptoms of a personal or particular problem instead addressing the root cause of the problem, and is done in such haste as to not consider what ramifications the changes may have in the Fraternity as a whole. The old saying: “Act in haste, repent in leisure” comes to mind.

So, I think it’s most important that we recognize and keep mind the distinction between these changes that occur quite naturally in the Fraternity, and those that are sometimes suggested, in many cases, to address one personal or particular issue only. To do otherwise may not demonstrate the best example of good stewardship. And good stewardship is the responsible of each of us. (Reprinted from June, 2008 MHJ)

NOTICE

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

WAIVER OF JURISDICTION-FEES RETURNED

From time to time inquiries are made to the Grand Lodge Office concerning the return of fees when a waiver of jurisdiction is granted by a Lodge which has a higher initiation fee than the Lodge making the request for the waiver. Section 98(a) of the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F&M & AM deals specifically to this matter and states: “In all cases where the fee of the Lodge granting the waiver of jurisdiction is greater than the fee of the Lodge requesting the waiver, the candidate shall pay to the Lodge which asks the waiver a fee equivalent to the fee he would have been required to pay had he petitioned the Lodge which granted the waiver. Immediately after the candidate is elected and initiated, the Secretary of the Lodge receiving the waiver shall send the difference in fees to the Lodge granting the waiver.”

Simply put, when a Lodge receives a waiver of jurisdiction in favor of a candidate from a Lodge having jurisdiction, where the initiation fee of the Lodge granting jurisdiction is higher than the initiation fee of the Lodge that is requesting the waiver, the candidate pays the higher fee and the difference in the fees must be paid to the Lodge granting the waiver.

ANNUAL RETURNS

At the end of May or in early June you should receive a packet from the Grand Lodge Office containing:

- A form asking for information on members you may have in the Masonic Homes of Kentucky.
- A form certifying the representative of your lodge at our Grand Communication in October (in case the Master or one of the line Officers can not attend).
- A post card for you to complete and return to this office.
- Instruction sheet for checking Annual Returns.

I urge you to take care of this quickly, to assure adequate time to review and record the results before Grand Lodge.

Also, sometime in the latter part of July, you will receive a computer printout of your membership and the lodge’s Annual Return. Please check this information very carefully for accuracy and return the Annual Return to the Grand Lodge as quickly as possible. It is not necessary to send the Annual Return and payment for the assessments to Grand Lodge at the same time. As soon as the Annual Return is received (after you have checked and corrected it, if necessary) we can then assemble the information in ample time to have it available to the membership at Grand Lodge. You may forward your check for assessments prior to September 1, deadline. It is very important the July Monthly Activity Report be received in the Grand Lodge Office as soon as practical after the end of the month before the tenth of July deadline, if possible.

I know I can depend on the continued cooperation of the dedicated lodge secretaries of this Grand Jurisdiction to do their best to preserve and maintain a complete and accurate record of their lodge activities.

NOTICE OF REJECTION

Just a reminder to each lodge secretary to report to the Grand Lodge Office, either electronically for those Secretaries who report electronically or on the proper paper form, any petitioner for the degrees who has been rejected by your lodge. I am not sure all lodge secretaries are aware they should report this activity. However, this information could be valuable to another lodge, should the one rejected attempt to petition another lodge at a later date.

In case you do not have any of the Notice of Rejection Forms, you may order them from the Office of the Grand Secretary.

Official Out-Of-State Correspondence

Just a reminder, all official correspondence between Grand Jurisdictions must be transmitted through the Grand Lodge Office. This includes all request for demits, reinstatements, transfers, affiliation, waivers etc. Consequently, if you correspond directly with a Lodge in another jurisdiction on any of the above mentioned transactions, they will be delayed until such time as the proper Masonic protocol is established.

However, a member of a Lodge of a sister jurisdiction, even though he may now reside within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, is at liberty to correspond directly with his Lodge. So, please remember to observe proper Masonic protocol in dealing with all official out-of-state transactions and/or correspondence.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Grand Lodge office will be closed Monday, July 5, 2010 to observe Independence Day. Don’t forget to give thanks for and to our military personnel.

Thought for the Month

“Life is a mystery to be lived, not a problem to be lived.”

OSHO
Members of Woodbury Lodge No. 280 helped their community with brush clearing at the Green River Museum, one of several historical sites in Woodbury. Pictured, left to right: Mike Stokes; Walton Neighbors, Tiler; Joey Franzell, Senior Warden; John Brown, Junior Warden; Jeff Cornett, Senior Deacon; and David Meyer.

Aurora Lodge 633

On April 12, 2010 Aurora Lodge No. 633 presented a check for $5,000 to the Masonic Homes of Kentucky. This donation is to be used for the new Care facility that is currently under construction. Pictured, left to right: John Cauley; Donald Yankey, Deputy Grand Master; and Robert Tomerlin, Master of Aurora Lodge.

Burnside Lodge 634

Donnie Brake, Past Master and Secretary of Burnside Lodge No. 634, was recently named Burnside Elementary Volunteer of the Year. Brother Brake was recognized at a recent county school board meeting for his continued support of the PTA and involvement with the school’s Family Resource Center. Brother Brake has spearheaded fundraising efforts and food drives for the needy children. According to Brother Brake none of the fundraising campaigns would have been successful without the efforts and support of the Brethren of Burnside Lodge. “They were always with me 100%, I share this award with them.”

Cumberland Lodge 751

Cumberland Lodge No. 751 Officers for 2010, front row, left to right: George Black, Treasurer; Clayton Sizemore, Senior Warden; Bob Shell, Master; Jimmy Hendrickson, Junior Warden; and Joe Dethage, Secretary. Second row: Clarence Griffith, Chaplain; Isaac Wilder, Senior Deacon; Eric Dunlap, Junior Deacon; Aaron Bargo, Senior Steward; and Jason Gaddis, Web Master.

Rush Lodge 715

Rush Lodge No. 715 Installing Officers, left to right: Robert E. Gallagher, Jr., DDGM #27; L. Todd Eastham, Grand Master; Paul E. Huff, Master Rush Lodge; Larry K. Eastham, Grand Senior Deacon; and Patton R. Hart, Past Grand Master.

Officers for 2010, left to right: James Erwin, Tiler; Timothy Sparks, Junior Deacon; Ernie Romans, Senior Warden; Gary Mastin, Treasurer; Paul Huff, Master; Ray Brown, Chaplain; David Prichard, Senior Deacon; Vincent Conley, Junior Steward; and Darrin Brown, Senior Steward.
The inside of the house is not the only place that could use some attention. As the warmer months get closer you will also want to get things ready outdoors so that you have can enjoy your time outside.

Begin by checking your grill. With the pleasant months of spring, you will want to be able to cook and eat outside. Make sure the gas connection is safe. To do this put some soapy water onto the connection, if bubbles form you know there is a leak. You will want to seal this completely. Next use a wire brush to clean the grill. After it is clean spray on some non-stick cooking spray for easier cleaning after the next bar-b-q. After your grill is all clean sweep your deck or porch. If there is a lot of dirt build up you may want to use your hose to remove the dirt.

Next focus on windows, doors and screens. Remove all screens and lay them on the driveway. Spray them with water from the hose and use an all purpose cleaner to get rid of whatever is left. Allow them to dry as you clean the windows and windowsills.

You will also want to clean outdoor furniture. Plastic furniture can be cleaned with a mixture of water and dishwashing detergent, then rinsed off. This should bring back the original color and remove any dirt. To clean wicker furniture you will want to use a soft brush with water and Murphy Oil Soap. Rinse it off with water and let it air dry. If you have outdoor cushions for your furniture that are looking a little dirty. Use a spray bottle filled with water and one tablespoon of laundry detergent. Spray the solution on the dirty areas and wipe with a soft cloth. Let cushions dry completely.

Check all trees and shrubs and prune them if needed. Replace the soil in window boxes. Fertilize your lawn. The best times of year to fertilize your lawn are early spring and in the fall, so add it to your spring cleaning list so you don’t forget.

If the exterior of your house is looking dirty, you may want to consider a pressure washer. It can be used to clean the dirt off of siding, wood and metal. It also works well for cleaning driveways, sidewalks, porches and decks.

If you use window air conditioners to stay cool during the summer, clean them out and reinstall them.
Louisville Council No. 4
Super Excellent Master Degree

Louisville Council # 4 in Louisville, Kentucky will host a conferral of the Super Excellent Master Degree at the Scottish Rite Temple at Brook and Gray on Saturday, August 21. Lunch, which is free to all, will be provided at Noon, and the North Central York Rite College #116 will provide the cast to confer the degree, at 1 P.M.

The Super Excellent Master Degree is the third degree in the York Rite Council and all Select Masters are eligible to receive it. It is not usually offered during the regular Council conferrals because of the size of the cast and the time required. There is never an additional fee to receive this necessary degree. If you have received the two degrees of the Council, the Royal Master, and the Select Master, you should avail yourself of this opportunity. It has been five years since the degree has been offered in Louisville and we have accepted in Louisville alone over 150 new members in the Councils since it was last offered. There have been many more initiated in other areas of Kentucky.

The degree is divided into four parts and four distinguished ritualists have agreed to take charge of the four sections. Companion Raleigh Foster will assemble the cast for the opening and closing portions of the degree. Companion Leslie E. Black will do the same for the second section, Companion J. William Riggs will oversee the third section and Companion James C. Reichert will assemble the cast for the fourth section. We anticipate a large turnout and hope that every York Rite member in Kentucky will attend, either as a cast member, a candidate, or a spectator.

Any questions in regard to the day should be addressed to J. B. Hitt at (502) 254-7584 or jbhit@att.net. While reservations are not required, an estimate of the number attending for lunch is requested. Please call or send an email prior to August 14th so that adequate food can be provided.

Clark County Combined Master Mason Degree

The Brothers of Winchester Lodge No. 20 and Right Angle Lodge No. 233 joined together to raise 5 Brothers to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in a special called meeting on Monday, May 10, 2010. The degree work was conferred by Worshipful Brother Larry Crowe, PM, with the assistance of Officers from both Lodges. Pictured, left to right: Lester Combs, Master, Winchester #20; Casey Caudill; David Caudill; Charles Townsend; Andy Blakemore; Ian Williamson; and John Wright, Master, Right Angle #233.

photo by Travis McIntosh

Past Masters Picnic

The Past Masters Picnic held on October 24, 2010 drew many Past Masters from different Lodges. Pictured, left to right: Virthel Baugh; Glen Price; Eugene Brown; James F. Vaught; Tim Anderson; Linvill Hughes; David “Shane” New; James Gibson; James Anderson; Barry Erp; John R. Langford; Larry Estes; Ken Cooper, PM, Russell Lodge No. 284; and Ken Upchurch, PM, Monticello Lodge No. 431.

C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961 – Master Mason Degree

C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961 congratulates their most recent Master Masons. Pictured, left to right: Gary Neal Fleming, Secretary; District Ambassador to the Masonic Homes; Simon Dishman; Keith Gibson; Raymond Belt; and W. M. Doug Price.

Cumberland Valley Lodge 751 – Master Mason

On April 24, 2010, Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 751 raised a new Master Mason, Brother Seth Bargo. Pictured, left to right: Seth Bargo, son; Merle Bargo, father; and Aaron Bargo, son.
MASONIC NEWS

Right Angle Lodge 233 – Award Presentation

Brother John Wright, Master of Right Angle Lodge No. 233, presented a Certificate of Honorary Membership to Brother David Jones of Richmond Lodge No. 25 on Tuesday, February 23, 2010. Brother Jones has visited Right Angle Lodge numerous times over the last three years and has always been quick to volunteer to fill a chair if needed for a stated meeting or a Degree night. Brother Jones commented that he is extremely honored to have been elected an honorary member of such a fine Lodge as Right Angle.

Burnside Lodge 634 – New Master Mason

Brother Randy Wheet was recently raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by his Brothers at Burnside Lodge No. 634. Pictured, left to right: Don Elmore, Master; Randy Wheet; and Garry McKee, PM.

photo by Donnie Brake

Pewee Valley 829 – Hawkins Bible

On Tuesday, April 20, 2010, the Master of Pewee Valley Lodge No. 829, Marshall Geoghegan, welcomed Brother John Herndon of Hart Lodge No. 61. Brother John gave an interesting talk on the Hawkins Bible, the Bible that the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was first sworn in on when Kentucky Grand Lodge was formed. The members of Pewee Valley and their many visitors enjoyed the talk, and thanked Brother John for traveling so far to make his presentation. The home of the Hawkins Bible is Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 14, Georgetown, Ky. Thank you to all involved for this interesting Masonic history and allowing it to travel.

Cumberland Valley Lodge 751 – Raises Three

Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 751 F&AM raised three Brothers to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on April 24, 2010. Pictured, seated: Bob Shell, Master; Standing, left to right: Seth Bargo; Billy Howard; and James Lewis. A good dinner was served by Jimmy Hendrickson, Junior Warden.

Bailey-Onton Lodge 538 – Award Presentation

At a stated communication on December 5, 2009, Bailey-Onton Lodge No. 539 awarded an Honorary Membership certificate to Bill McGrew, PDDGM. Brother McGrew’s timely messages and help are always welcome. Congratulations to the newly honored Brother.

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY WEB PAGE

If you have not had the opportunity to visit the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Web Page, you can do so by logging on at www.grandlodgeofkentucky.org

Also visit the Masonic Home Journal at this site. The Web Page is now more updated and informative, so please visit us at the site listing above.
National Honors for Shelbyville’s superior service

Masonic Home of Shelbyville received My InnerView’s Excellence in Action award, a national honor recognizing the Home’s commitment to superior customer and workforce satisfaction. More than 5,000 U.S. nursing homes, including both Masonic Homes, participated in a 2009 My InnerView satisfaction survey. Residents, family members and staff completed satisfaction surveys. Masonic Home scored in the top 10 percent on the questions, “What is your recommendation of this facility to others?” and “What is your recommendation of this facility as a place to work?”

“Masonic Home of Shelbyville deserves to be recognized for their dedication to our residents, family members and staff,” said Masonic Homes of Kentucky CEO Gary Marsh. “This award demonstrates the staff’s commitment to making a difference in people’s lives every day.”

This is the first year Masonic Home of Shelbyville has earned the Excellence in Action honor. However, the Home has a history of winning awards. Kentucky Association of Health Care Facilities has awarded the Masonic Home Central District Facility of the Year honors in 2005 and 2009.

Also in 2009, Masonic Home was awarded six KAHCF district awards for professional achievement and recognized Maintenance Director Donald Carey as best in the state last year. Kentucky Association of Homes and Services for the Aging recognized Dining Services Cook Carl Hudson and Therapy Team Lead Leslie Mann as Kentucky’s best in 2009.

Great Day, beautiful Homes

On Saturday, April 17, over 200 hundred volunteers converged on the Homes’ Louisville and Shelbyville campuses. The volunteers came to participate in the Great Day of Service, the annual event to beautify and prepare the campuses for spring and summer. Louisville Campus Director of Maintenance Mel Beam said, “It would take our staff weeks to accomplish what was done here today.”

Volunteers arrived early on Saturday morning to enjoy fellowship, coffee, juice and doughnuts before being given their assignments for the day. Volunteers were tasked with planting flowers, spreading mulch, raking leaves and other things to help beautify the properties.

“The Great Day of Service is a wonderful opportunity for the Masons of Kentucky to live their obligation,” said Homes’ VP/Fraterna l Relations John Cauley. “The Masons of Kentucky can take pride in knowing that, through their efforts, the residents of the Masonic Homes can take pride in where they live.”

The Great Day of Service takes place every year,” Cauley said. “Please plan now to attend in 2011.”
Calling all cars!
Classic Open Car Show revs up

The Louisville campus will host the first annual Louisville Classic Open Show ‘n Shine Saturday, July 31 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Cars, trucks and motorcycles of all makes and models are invited to join the show and benefit Masonic Homes of Kentucky. Registration is $20 per vehicle, and individuals who pre-register by June 30 receive a free T-shirt.

“There will be no judging, no trophies and no set parking for show participants,” according to Joe Walters, proud owner of a classic Mustang and one of the show organizers. “It’s a great opportunity for owners of great cars, trucks and motorcycles of all classes to show off their rides and raise money for the Homes.”

There will also be great food offerings from Our Best, Ehler’s Dairy and Purnell’s Old Folks Sausage.

The public is invited to enjoy the show in exchange for a $5 minimum donation for parking.

To register your vehicle, volunteer to help or get more information, contact Steve Mullins (stephenmullins@insightbb.com) or Walters (502.412.8343; jw65must@insightbb.com).

Worth a thousand words

High School students Leahell and Neshelle (left) recently visited Masonic Home of Louisville as part of Jefferson County Public School’s COVE program. Transitional Liaison Rob Jeff (center) arranged the visit so the students could learn more about career opportunities available with vocational training. Assistant Administrator Bill Grenier (right) showed the students around the Home and talked with them about careers in senior services.

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Established in 1867 as the first Masonic home of its kind.

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Paducah Lodge No. 127 – Essay Contest Winner

Paducah Lodge No. 127 is proud to announce the winner of its inaugural “Middle School Essay Contest” was Dylan Roberts. Dylan is an 8th grader at Lone Oak Middle School and is the son of A.J. and Catrina Roberts. Dylan and his father were the special guests at a recent Paducah Lodge meeting where they joined members for a pre-meeting meal before being presented with a $50.00 check in Lodge. The essay topic was “Famous Freemason’s” and Dylan wrote about George Washington, the “father of our country” and probably America’s most famous Mason. Lodge Master, Ralph Dixon stated that the essay contest will become an annual event open to all middle schools in McCracken County.

Camp Knox Lodge 919

Camp Knox Lodge No. 919 installed a new Master due to the transfer of Brother Michael Murphy to Georgia. Pictured, left to right: William Meyer, PM, Installing Marshall; Lawrence Thompson, PM, #829; Steve Apple, PM, #829; Carl Corley, Master; James Stephens, PM, #47; Kevin Reardon, PM, #47, Installing Officer; and Jeffrey Meade, #829, Senior Steward.

BEWLEYVILLE PICNIC

Located at Junction Highway’s 1238 & 333
Bewleyville, Kentucky
SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 2010
2 P.M. UNTIL 9 P.M.
GREAT FOOD
BBQ • Mutton and Pork
Fish Sandwiches • Hamburgers
Hot Dogs • Ice Cream

By the Book Southern Gospel Band 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Heaven Sent Gospel 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Bluegrass Music 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Sponsored by the Breckinridge Bluegrass Music Association

AUCTION 6 P.M. - 7 P.M.

Bring a can good or other non-perishable item and be entered into our free “mystery drawing.” All can goods and non-perishable items to benefit the Good Samaritan Center of Breckinridge County.

Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy a great day, country style!

IMPORTANT NOTE...

Any and all address changes or cancellations in receiving The Masonic Home Journal, should be made to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky office.
I hold in my hand a little scrap of paper 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches in size. It is of no intrinsic worth, not a bond, not a check or receipt for valuables, yet it is my most priceless possession. It is my membership card in a Masonic Lodge.

It tells me that I have entered into a spiritual kinship, with my fellow Masons to practice charity in word and deed; to forgive and forget the faults of my brethren; to hush the tongues of scandal and innuendo; to care for the crippled, hungry and the sick, and to be fair and just to all mankind.

It tells me that no matter where I may travel in the world, I am welcome to visit a place where good fellowship prevails among Brothers and friends.

It tells me that my loved ones, my home, and my household are under the protection of every member of this great Fraternity, who has sworn to defend and protect mine, as I have sworn to defend and protect theirs.

It tells me that should I ever be overtaken by adversity or misfortune, through no fault of my own, the hands of every Mason on the face of the earth will be stretched forth to assist me in my necessities.

And finally, it tells me that when my final exit from the stage of life has been made, there will be gathered around my lifeless body, friends and Brothers who will recall to mind my virtues, though they be but few, and will forget my faults, though they may be many.

It tells me that, and a great deal more, this little card, it makes me proud, yet humble, that I can possess this passport, into a Society of Friends and Brothers, that are numbered in the millions.

Notice

BARKER LODGE NO. 129
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Barker Lodge No. 129 will hold an election for Treasurer, and any subsequent vacancies that may occur.

BUECHEL LODGE NO. 896
On June 17, 2010, Buechel Lodge No. 896 will hold an election for the Office of Junior Steward and any other Office which may become vacant at that time. All Brothers are encouraged to attend.

ROBERT M. SIRKLE
LODGE NO. 954
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Robert M. Sirkle Lodge No. 954 will hold an election for Senior Warden and any other Office that may become vacant at that time. All members are urged to attend.

ZEBULON LODGE NO. 273
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Zebulon Lodge No. 273 will hold an election for Senior Warden and any other Office that may become vacant at that time.

By-Laws

CADIZ LODGE NO. 121
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Cadiz Lodge No. 121 will vote on proposed changes to its By-Laws. All members are urged to attend.

ENSOR LODGE NO. 729
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Ensor Lodge No. 729 will vote to change its By-Laws by adding the Office of Marshall as one of the appointed positions.

GASPER RIVER LODGE NO. 391
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Gasper River Lodge No. 391 will be voting to changes its By-Laws.

HARRISON LODGE NO. 122
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Harrison Lodge No. 122 will vote on the proposed changes and corrections to its By-Laws. All members are hereby notified and urged to attend.

MADISON LODGE NO. 183
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Madison Lodge No. 183 will vote on changes in its By-Laws concerning dues increase and degree fees increase and other By-Laws. All members are urged to attend and vote.

WACO LODGE NO. 338
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Waco Lodge No. 338 will vote on proposed By-Law changes.

YOCUM LODGE NO. 897
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Yocum Lodge No. 897 will vote on changes to its By-Laws, including but not limited to a change in dues. All members are urged to attend.
**RESOLUTION OF RESPECT**

**HERBERT B. LYTLE**  
C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961  
East Bernstadt, Kentucky  

In memory of Brother Herbert B. Lytle, who died September 24, 2008.  

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 a 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, a beloved husband and father therefore be it:  

RESOLVED, that C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961 F&AM in East Bernstadt, Kentucky in the testimony of our loss we drape our Charter in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother, our sincere condolences and a copy of these Resolutions be made part of our minutes.  

**DOUGLAS PRICE, MASTER;**  
**GARY NEAL FLEMING, SECRETARY**

**RONNIE EARL JOHNSON**  
C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961  
East Bernstadt, Kentucky  

In memory of Brother Ronnie Earl Johnson, who died March 29, 2010.  

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 a 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, a beloved husband and father therefore be it:  

RESOLVED, that C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961 F&AM in East Bernstadt, Kentucky in the testimony of our loss we drape our Charter in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother, our sincere condolences and a copy of these Resolutions be made part of our minutes.  

**DOUGLAS PRICE, MASTER;**  
**GARY NEAL FLEMING, SECRETARY**

**CHARLES “DICKIE” PETERS**  
C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961  
East Bernstadt, Kentucky  

In memory of Brother Charles “Dickie” Peters, who died October 1, 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 a 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, a beloved husband and father therefore be it:  

RESOLVED, that C. D. Ward Lodge No. 961 F&AM in East Bernstadt, Kentucky in the testimony of our loss we drape our Charter in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased Brother, our sincere condolences and a copy of these Resolutions be made part of our minutes.  

**DOUGLAS PRICE, MASTER;**  
**GARY NEAL FLEMING, SECRETARY**

**HARRY WILLOUGHBY**  
Buford Lodge No. 494  
Midway, Kentucky  

In memory of Brother Harry Willoughby who died March 19, 2010.  

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 a new name written thereon; and  

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call our Brother Harry Willoughby to lay down the working tools of a busy life and to join Him in eternal life in heaven; and  

WHEREAS, in Brother Willoughby’s passing, his wife and family has lost a beloved member, the Fraternity a true and upright man and Mason, and the community a valuable citizen; and  

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order for over years; and  

WHEREAS, in Brother Willoughby’s passing, his wife and family has lost a beloved member, the Fraternity a true and upright man and Mason, and the community a valuable citizen; and  

WHEREAS, he having been a true and faithful Brother of our Order, a beloved husband and father therefore be it:  

RESOLVED, that the Charter of Sievers Lodge No. 491 F&AM of Nancy, Kentucky, be draped for thirty days in testimony of our loss, and we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and a copy of this Resolution he sent to the family, a copy spread upon the minutes of this Lodge in his memory, and a copy sent to The Masonic Home Journal.  

**GLENN BLEVINS, MASTER; DAN SANDER, SECRETARY**

**JUNE ITINERARY**

**SHERRY S. WHITT**  
Worthy Grand Matron  

**COLE A. YOUNGER**  
Worthy Grand Patron  

**KENTUCKY ORDER OF THE AMARANTH**

**HIL ROSE MARIE PAYNE**  
Grand Royal Matron  

**SK DEWEY WARREN**  
Grand Royal Patron  

**JUNE ITINERARY**

1. Melody #16 Stated Meeting  
2. Laurel Court #6, Grand Royal Matron Official Visit  
3. Friendship Court #22, Grand Lecturer Visit  
4. Queen Victoria #20, Stated Meeting  
5. Kentucky #1, Grand Royal Matron Official Visit  
6. Minnie Selby #3, Stated Meeting  
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