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Mark Twain Award – 2010

Family Resource and Youth Services Center Representatives Nancye Daniel and Treasa Johnson along with School Superintendent Quin Sutton accept a check for over $2000 from Lyon County Masons; Phil Robinson representing Suwanee Lodge 190, Carroll Dorroh of Joppa Lodge 167, District Three Deputy Ronald Walker and Bob McDonald representing Parkersville Lodge 484.

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Burnside Lodge 634 – Christmas Shoebox

Masonic Lodge No. 634 members recently helped out with the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox collection. Approximately 15,786 shoeboxes were collected this year and with the support of Burnside Lodge those children who had never received a Christmas Gift, will now enjoy a present and understand through Christian books the “reason for the season.”

The donation was made as part of the “Masonry Matters” program propagated by local Supreme Court Justice and Mason Bill Cunningham. Funds were raised through the Masons Fish Fry held during Kuttawa Harvest Festival and enhanced by donations. The FRYSC center will use the money for emergency assistance to families in need who have children in the school system and also to provide Christmas to children who might otherwise find that Santa had skipped them this year.

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**DONALD H. YANKEY**  
Grand Master

**Happy New Year**

The New Year has begun and all the New Officers have been installed. The Masters have made their plans for their year. We need to support them and their new ideas, and see that they reach the goals they have set for your Lodge. It’s also a time when we can look at ourselves and remember what caused us to become members of this great Fraternity. Was it a sense of belonging to something good, or was it the members we knew and respected that made us want to be a part of something really worth our time? Was it a sense that some family member belonged, and you knew he would not be a part of something that was not respectful to family, country and community?

Whatever your motivation was to join, now is the time to rededicate yourself to being the best member and Mason possible. Our claim is, we take good men and make them better, so as we work within our Lodges let’s do what we do best, and make great Masons. Outside our Lodges let us practice those important lessons we were taught within. Masonry should be a way of life not just a Fraternity to which we belong.

So as we begin this New Year, let’s remember to follow our by-laws and constitution set forth by the Grand Craft. Your and elected and appointed Grand Officers are here to assist you in any way they can. Update your constitutions, study them, and practice your ritualistic work. Attendance to your own lodge will not only benefit your Brothers but will yield you that friendship of Brotherly love and affection which should characterize Freemasons.

The Brotherhood shared among this Craft, has deepened as I see brothers visiting other Lodges in their area. It was Brothers like you and friendships made that will allow me to serve you as Grand Master.

First Lady, Janice and I, wish you a prosperous year and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible this year. Safe travels and remember, “You get out of Masonry what you put into Masonry.”

God Bless and have a Safe and Happy New Year.

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**George Washington York Rite Festival**

Many years ago, several York Rite bodies around the Commonwealth began holding festivals in honor of George Washington. This year 2 of our York Rite bodies will confer these degrees on Saturday, February 26, 2011, starting at 8:00 am. Somerset York Rite Bodies located at 105 North Main Street, Somerset 42501 is the site of one of the two festivals. The contact person is Michael Grigsby who can be reached by email at MJGRIGSBY@windstream.net. The other festival will be held at Demolay Commandery located at 1410 Gardiner Lane, Louisville 40213-1966. Please contact J.B. Hitt II by email at JBHitt@att.net or Ronnie Skipper by email at ur2ali@insightbb.com for information concerning petitioning the degrees. You can also go to the website at www.yorkriteKY.org.

Fraternally submitted,  
Douglas W. Bunch, Most Illustrious Grand Master  
Grand Council of KY, Royal and Select Masters
LODGE DUES DELINQUENT

Inquiries have been made to the Grand Lodge Office as to when a member is considered delinquent in the payment of dues and assessments to his Lodge(s). Section 154 of the Book of Constitutions of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M., states that “The dues of all Lodges shall be due on January 1 each year, and payable in advance for the full year.” Therefore, it would seem logical to conclude that a member who had not paid his dues and assessments for the current year would be considered delinquent on the first day of January of that year. There may appear to be a discrepancy in the Section mentioned above since further on it states that “Dues for each year shall be delinquent on April 1, and the delinquent members shall be subject to suspension on the stated meeting of the Lodge in June.”

However, in that instance the reference to the term “delinquent” applies to the point at which a Lodge may consider the suspension of a member or members for non-payment of dues and assessments. Please keep in mind that the terms “delinquent” and “not in good standing” are not synonymous. The section referred to above merely sets the minimum time at which a member or members may be suspended for non-payment of dues but does not set a limit on the time a Lodge may carry a member before suspension, if the Lodge chooses to do so.

Further, a Lodge may, in the Lodge By-Laws; lengthen the time before suspension of a member (i.e. after one year, two years, etc.) but may not shorten the time. That is to say, a member owing only the current years dues cannot be suspended before June of the year the dues become payable.

Realizing that Lodge dues and assessments are necessary to provide the funds required to keep our Lodges, the Grand Lodge, and or Masonic charities financially sound and viable, the most prudent approach would be to remit our dues to the Secretary of our respective Lodge immediately upon receipt of the dues notice, thereby, eliminating the necessity of the term “delinquent” from our Masonic vocabulary.

RETAINING INFORMATION
(Important information reprinted from January 2010)

Frequently a question comes to the Grand Lodge Office from a lodge Secretary about how much lodge information should be retained by him. Our answer has always been to keep as much as you possibly can. Obviously, the personal information on the lodge membership is of utmost importance, both for the present and for future reference, and should be retained indefinitely. Some lodge Secretaries even keep other information on lodge members in their personal file when they distinguish themselves in the community. The same goes for other records such as lodge minutes, deeds, correspondence, insurance contracts, tax information, bequests, IRS information, etc. The history of the lodge is maintained in the minute book of the lodge proceedings and the membership records of the lodge, and these items should be protected and stored in a safe, secure and fire-proof location. Some item, such as cancelled checks, invoices, bank records, etc., may be destroyed when they are no longer useful. However, it is advisable to retain them as long as possible.

One basic item that should be preserved and filed properly is the original petition submitted for membership in the lodge, whether it is for the degrees or affiliation, and it should be filled out completely by the petitioner and the lodge Secretary. The importance of doing this was brought to my attention recently when a lodge member, trying to reconstruct the membership listing of his lodge for a new Secretary, called the Grand Lodge Office for information on the membership and records for his lodge. He could locate only a few items to assist him, and the information requested on the forms he did find was not complete, and consequently not of much use to him. Apparently, the previous Secretary did not think doing so was a high priority. The petition forms, if filled out completely by both the petitioner and lodge Secretary, contains all the basic information on the individual member, and should be retained for future reference in cases such as the one noted above.

As Secretaries, we are all too familiar with the loads of paperwork that we are required to deal with, and for the filing and maintenance of the same; however, maintaining such is worthy of our earnest efforts, and important for the preserving of the history of our lodges.

So, be very conscious and selective in what you decide to discard.

NEWLY ELECTED SECRETARIES

Each year there are a number of new secretaries elected to that important office of the Lodge. The office of Secretary carries with it great responsibilities, second only to the Master, for the well being of the Lodge and its members. How well the Secretary responds to- and carries out his duties- is directly proportional to the success of a Lodge. An interested and knowledgeable Secretary is indispensable to the Master and his Lodge in moving our Fraternity forward, an uninterested Secretary will affect the Lodge in negative manner.

So if you are a newly elected Secretary, my advice to you is; first learn the duties of the Secretary; second, make sure you communicate clearly and fully with the Master; and third, develop an unconscious and natural “feel” for your particular Lodge and each member thereof. There are many responsibilities- but also many rewards if you can develop the right attitude. Welcome aboard and good luck!!

Thought for the Month

The important thing is not to stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing. One cannot help but be in awe when he contemplates the mysteries of eternity, of life, of the marvelous structure of reality. It is enough if one tries to comprehend a little of this mystery every day. Never lose a holy curiosity.

--ALBERT EINSTEIN

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY WEB PAGE

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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.
Highland Lodge No. 311 would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of “Cops for Kids,” Scott Atkins, a West Liberty City Police Officer for the support of this special program, accepting a donation from all the members of Highland Lodge. Pictured, left to right: Reese Oliver; Garry Sheets; Keith Burton; Officer Scott Adkins; Randy Robinson; and Terry Robbins. And a very special thanks to Sonny Rose.

Hiram Lodge 4 – Masonic Homes Donation

Hiram Masonic Lodge No. 4 recently presented a check to the Masonic Homes of Kentucky at their Past Master’s dinner. Accepting the check from Hiram Lodge master Jeff Wiley (center) are Joe Conaway, Grand Secretary (left) and Grand Master Don Yankoy (right).

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Have you made your contribution to the St. John’s Day League?
Any and all address changes or cancellations in receiving The Masonic Home Journal, should be made to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky office.
Masonic News

Cumberland Valley Lodge 751 – Raises Two

On November 27, 2010, Cumberland Valley Lodge No. 751 had the pleasure to raise two to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Pictured, left to right: Scottie Hendrickson, New Master Mason; Bob Shell, Master; and Deco Wilson, New Master Mason.

Freedom Lodge 643 – New Master Masons

Freedom Lodge No. 643 recently raised three new Brothers to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Pictured, from left: Stan Oliver, Senior Warden; Ken Criswell, Acting Senior Deacon; Prentiss McWorther, New Master Mason; Hugh Turner, Treasurer; Robert Lipke, New Master Mason; Benny Decker, Tiler; Richard Upchurch, New Master Mason; Ron Hutchinson, Acting Master; and David Neal, Senior Deacon.

Kentucky’s DeMolay Fall Conclave

Kentucky DeMolay’s Fall Conclave was held on November 12-14, 2010, in Louisville, KY. The Fall Conclave was conducted under the leadership of James Bowling, State Master Councilor. We were delighted also to have as guests, Robert Taylor, Active Member of International Supreme Council and Executive Officer of West Virginia DeMolay, along with Brothers: Michael Burge, PSMC, Sam Reece, Nick Baldwin, and Mason Winkie. Ted Korn, Active Member of International Supreme Council and Region 4 Representative also was our guest.

On Saturday, the Sorority had a wonderful tour of Churchill Downs and the Derby Museum and each young lady came home with a jockey silks derby pin of their choice. The DeMolay Sorority completed Leadership Correspondence #1.

A class on the meaning of DeMolay Precepts was held, along with a DeMolay Congress session. Later that evening, a dance was held and the DeMolay Sorority, along with members of Jobs Daughters and of Rainbow were in attendance. A great time was had by all.

Numerous ritual and athletic competitions were held, with awards being presented on Sunday morning. The Initiatory Degree competition champion was Joe Deskin of River Cities Chapter, the DeMolay Degree Obligation champion was Brody Allen of River Cities Chapter. The Mag 7 champion was Tanner Stevens of River Cities Chapter and the Junior Councilor and Sr. Councilor Initiatory Degree competition champion was Rafael Gonzalez of Cherokee Chapter.

The Sports competition champions are as follows: Team Bowling – Bluegrass Chapter, along with High Game and High Series going to James Estes of Bluegrass Chapter. The Flag Football competition champion was a combined team of Cherokee and Gold Fidelity Chapters. The C. Frye Haley Memorial Priory also met and welcomed several new members.

The Spring Conclave has been tentatively set for March 25-27, 2011 in Jamestown, Kentucky.
Masonic News

Whitesburg Lodge 754 – Father & Son Night

On November 18, 2010, at their regular stated meeting, Whitesburg Lodge No. 754 held a special Father and Son Night. A wonderful dinner was held at this joyous celebration dedicated to that special relationship between a father and son.

Latonia Lodge 746 – Homecoming Day

Latonia Lodge No. 746 celebrated their Homecoming Day on November 20, 2010. There were over sixty five in attendance. The program included a catered dinner, recognizing the widows and presenting those present with a Widow’s Pin. A special tribute was given in remembrance of deceased Latonia Lodge Past Masters. There were fifteen Past Masters present. They were given a chance to tell something special that occurred during their year as master.

Latonia Lodge Senior Warden, George McCain, Latonia member, Josh McCain and Past Master from Hebron Lodge #757, Tom Geimeier, gave a presentation on “Sons of the American Revolution.”

Latonia Lodge presented over $2000.00 total to several charities this year. Care Net and Action Ministries were present at the Homecoming event to receive their check.

Stephensburg Lodge 212 – Raises Two

On November 11, 2010 Stephensburg Lodge No. 212 raised two Brothers to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Pictured, front row: Travis Wayne Beard, New Master Mason; Chris Miller, New Master Mason; and assisting with the Degree work was the C. Frye Haley Past Masters Association.

Oakland Lodge 563 – New Fellowcraft

At a recent meeting of Oakland Lodge No. 563, four Brothers took their Fellowcraft Degree. Pictured, left to right: Josh Coots; Jonathan Birge; Dennis Johnson; and Timmy Tennison.

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Shelbyville Home named Kentucky’s top facility

Masonic Home of Shelbyville was honored as the 2010-11 statewide Facility of the Year by Kentucky Association of Health Care Facilities, the trade association representing more than 300 Kentucky nursing homes. The Facility of the Year honor was one of five first-place awards the Shelbyville Home collected Nov. 11 at KAHCF’s annual Quality Awards Banquet. Other best-in-state honors include:

- **Photograph of the Year** – taken by Jeff Mackey of the Home’s Senior Prom
- **Innovative Program of the Year** – “Garden Café” created by Dining Services Director Linda Wagner and staff
- **Better Life Education Award** – Jefferson Technical & Community College Assistant Professor Laura Talbott
- **Volunteers of the Year** – “Baxter’s Bunch” initiated by Chaplain Jesse Baxter

Winning the Facility of the Year honor followed a Masonic Homes sweep of first-place Central District Professional Achievement Awards, collecting 11 of 14 plaques. Named the Central District’s best from Masonic Home of Louisville were Rayna Parker, State Registered Nurse Aide; Judy Moore, Certified Medication Aide; Charletta Parker, Personal Care Home Caregiver; Lora Welch, Medical Services; Vanessa Pierani, Social Services/Amissions; and Amber Smith, Nursing/LPN.

Top Central District award winners from Shelbyville were Dona Nation, Supportive Services; Linda Wagner, Dictation; Awtuoy Nadee, Environmental Services; Leslie Mack, Nursing/RN; and Jeff Mackey, Administrative Nursing.

Holiday tradition continues

**District 28 supports Alvin Johnson Fund’s fruit and candy delivery**

Courtesy of the Alvin Johnson Fund, friends in District 28 brightened the 2010 holidays for Masonic Home residents in Louisville and Shelbyville:

- Chancellorsville Lodge No. 858
- Van Lear Lodge No. 885
- Warfield Lodge No. 882
- Ted Adams Lodge of Research
- Martin Co. Shrine Club
- Marion Hale Lodge No. 672
- Don Chaffins, MD
- Four Point Lodge No. 657
- Tiden R. Ellis
- Zebulon Lodge No. 273
- Flatgap Lodge No. 616
- Jimmy Hanny
- Billy Joe Prater
- Roy Brown
- Ray Brown
- Steve Harris
- Steve Groves
- Past Masters of District 27

On hand for the fruit and candy delivery were (from left): Sheldon Sommman, Herman Fletcher, Junior York; Homes’ VP of Mission Advancement Phyllis O’Daniel, Billy Joe Prater, Kenny Suss and Greg Sommman.
Sam Swope Care Center celebrates grand opening

In early December, more than 3,000 people got a sneak peak of the new Sam Swope Care Center at Masonic Home of Louisville.

Grand opening celebrations occurred over 10 days to show off the $40 million, 196,000-sq.-ft. Care Center.

The Care Center’s unique design features six households connected by a Main Street corridor and also includes a library, cafe and shops, as well as a multipurpose room for resident activities and staff training. Residents and staff will be moving into the center in early 2011.

Homes CEO Gary Marsh greeted Sam Swope at a grand opening celebration.

From left, Care Center staff Maritza Burch, Alyson Self, Donna Lay and Tabitha King waited to escort guests through the short-stay rehab house.

Worth a thousand words

Attention, Masonic Snowbirds:

Please plan to join Masonic Homes Board members and staff for lunch during the 2011 Florida tour next month. Learn the latest about the Homes and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship at any of the following locations:

Tampa
Monday, February 7th
Noon, Egypt Shrine Center
4050 Dana Shores Drive
St. Petersburg

Wednesday, February 9th
Noon, Crowne Plaza
1301 Sullivan Road

Sebring
Friday, February 11th
Noon, Inn on the Lakes
1300 Golfview

For details or to register, please contact Brenda Travis
866.764.6631
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Look for your personal invitation in the mail.

Donate new or gently used hardback books to the new library at Masonic Home of Louisville’s Sam Swope Care Center. Contact:
Danna Maynard (502.753.8854; dmaynard@mhlky)

Above: Masonic Home of Shelbyville staff braved a snowstorm to participate in Shelby County’s annual Christmas parade. Grand Junior Warden Rick Nation and members of Solomon Lodge No. 4 joined the Homes staff on their Christmas on Main Street float.

Above: Administrator Debra Finneman visited with Grand Master and Homes’ Board member Don Yankney and Board Chair Joe Conway at a reception honoring Grand Junior Warden Rick Nation. Masonic Home of Shelbyville hosted the event, sponsored by Shelby Lodge No. 662.

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On November 29, 2010 a 50 Year Service Pin was awarded to Brother J.B. Hitt of St. Matthews Lodge. The award was given by Grand Master, Donald Yankey with his congratulations. The evening's festivities began with an excellent meal with good Masonic Fellowship and many guests in attendance. After the presentation, entertainment was provided by "Donnie Dynamite and the Dynamos" playing music from the 50's and 60's. This was an evening enjoyed by all. Presentation was made by Grand Master Donald Yankey (right); J.B. Hitt (center); and Daniel Wolfe, Master (left).

Brother Wallace Wigginton recently was presented his 50 Year Service Pin and Gold Card from Past Grand Master Curtis Johnston. Brother Curtis Johnston (left), Brother Wallace Wigginton (center), and his wife Helen Wigginton (right).

Hiram Lodge 4 – 60 Year Service Awards

Hiram Lodge No. 4 had the distinction of recognizing 60-year members at their recent Past Masters dinner. Pictured from left: Jeff Wiley, Master; Joe Conway, Grand Secretary; Sixty Year Members Sterlin E. Tracy; and William Durrett, Jr.; and Grand Master Don Yankey.

photo by Donnie Brake

Loyal Lodge 930 – Service Awards Dinner

On November 6, 2010 Loyal Lodge No. 930 held their Service Awards dinner at Ken & Paul’s Steakhouse in Harlan, Kentucky. Pictured, left to right: David C. Howard, Howard #819; William Baker, Treasurer; Lester Cornett, 50 Years; Charles Wattenberger, 40 Years; Roland McIlquham, 40 Years; Daniel B. Williams, 40 Years; Rev. Ernest Boggs, 40 Years; and Christopher B. Williams, Master. Not pictured: Joe Baker; Tony Tolliver; and Robert Watkins, 40 Years; Lonnie Lowe; and Rev. Thomas Davies, 25 Years. A Special thanks to Brother David Gilbert, Mrs. Tonya Williams and Mrs. Tedly Wattenberger.

photo by Donnie Brake

Oakland Lodge 563 – 50 Year Service Awards

At a recent meeting of Oakland Lodge No. 563, four Brothers were honored and received their 50 Year Service Pins. Pictured, left to right: Donald Hendrick; Willard Cole; Maurice Miller; and 1961 Past Master Charles Hendrick.

Lexington Lodge 1 – 40 Year Presentation

At the December 6, 2010 meeting of Lexington Lodge No. 1, Brother Ron St. Clair was presented his 40 Year Service Pin by Worshipful Master Scott Brown. Thanks to Brother St. Clair for his many years of service which also include his duties as Past Master of Lincoln Lodge #60.
ERSNE D. CORNETT
McKinney Lodge No. 631
McKinney, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Ernest D. Cornett who passed away on November 15, 2010.
Once again a Brother has finished the designs written by the Master of the Universe. He has passed on to eternity to receive the rewards of a Master Mason.
WHEREAS, he being a true and faithful Brother of the Craft; therefore be it
RESOLVED, that McKinney Lodge No. 631 of McKinney, Kentucky be draped in mourning for thirty days and we tender to the family our deepest heartfelt condolences.
BILLY A. HAYES, SEC.

ROBERT CRAIG FULTON
Neel Lodge No. 833
Manfordville, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Robert Craig Fulton, a true and faithful Brother for 28 years, who passed from this life on earth December 14, 2010 to that Great High Lodge on High.
WHEREAS, it has pleased the Almighty God to call our Brother from among us who passed away July 2, 2010.
WHEREAS, it has pleased almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call unto himself the Spirit of our departed Brother James Wayne Stobaugh to lay down his working tools of life and join Him in eternal life in Heaven; be it
RESOLVED, that in his death the family has lost a beloved husband and father, the fraternity a true and worthy Brother and the community a valued citizen and leader; be it further
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RESOLVED, that Orphans Friend Lodge No. 523 in testimony of its loss, drupe its charter for thirty days and that we tender to the family our sincerest and deepest condolences.
CHARLES ELKINS, MASTER
JAMES WEPPNER, SEC.

WILLIAM ARGILE SULLIVAN
Orphans Friends Lodge No. 523
White Plains, Kentucky
In memory of Brother William Argile Sullivan who passed away July 2, 2010.
WHEREAS, it has pleased almighty God in His infinite wisdom to call unto himself the Spirit of our departed Brother William Argile Sullivan to lay down his working tools of life and join Him in eternal life in Heaven; be it
RESOLVED, that in his death the family has lost a beloved husband and father, the fraternity a true and worthy Brother and the community a valued citizen and leader; be it further
RESOLVED, that Orphans Friend Lodge No. 523 in testimony of its loss, drupe its charter for thirty days and that we tender to the family our sincerest and deepest condolences.
CHARLES ELKINS, MASTER
JAMES WEPPNER, SEC.

ARVIN WHITLOW
Wm. B. Allen Lodge No. 704
Summersville, Kentucky
In memory of Brother Arvin Whitlow who passed away on November 2, 2010. He was a member for over 25 years.
Be it resolved that in his passing, the family has lost a beloved member. The Fraternity has lost an honorable and upright man and Mason.
Be it resolved, that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to the family and a copy be sent to The Masonic Home Journal for publication.
SCOTT SULLIVAN, MASTER
LARRY MARCUM, SEC.

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HISEVILLE LODGE NO. 787
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Hiseville Lodge No. 787 will vote on changes to its By-Laws.

McKEE LODGE NO. 144
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, McKee Lodge No. 144 will vote on changes in its By-Laws concerning dues increase and degree increase. All members are urged 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 vote on changes to its By-Laws. All members are urged to attend.

The Secularization of the Season
A recent visit to the grocery store was both revealing and a bit depressing. As I made my way through the aisles of the store, I saw a group of workers who were busily engaged in arranging an attractive holiday display. As I watched those workers, I was reminded that Christmas, the joyous season of the year when many celebrate the birth of Jesus in a stable in Bethlehem, is just around the corner. But I noticed that the traditional symbols usually associated with Christmas were not being used to decorate that display. Instead, those workers used a lot of glitter to catch the eyes of shoppers.

This is an indication of that which is happening all around us. The secularists are actively seeking to change society and undermine the traditional values that have been part of our society since our founding fathers brought forth a new nation on this continent. In this environment, political correctness, a tool of the secularists, has determined that, during this season, attention should be focused upon those things that remind us to celebrate the winter solstice with a Winter Festival and Frosty the Snowman.

To a point, the secularists have been successful. Some workers have been instructed to greet others with “Happy Holidays;” it would be offensive to some to say “Merry Christmas.” In some schools, the primary institution that moulds the minds of impressionable children and youth, Christmas programs have been replaced with winter festivals. At those festivals, traditional Christmas carols may not be sung; they have been replaced with songs that stress the coming of winter. Some school districts have changed the school calendar. “Winter Break” has replaced “Christmas Holidays.” Too, some of the cards we send at this time of the year have abandoned Christmas symbols and use generic symbols that suggest the beginning of winter.

We live in an environment in which the majority have embraced traditional values and have celebrated Christmas as a holy day. We do not have to conform and accept the secularization of this season.
SYMSONIA LODGE 917
Annual Rabbit Supper
(wild rabbits)
6:00 p.m.
February 15, 2010
Clarks River Baptist Church
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Have you made your contribution to the
St. John's Day League?
SHEPHERD Lodge NO. 73 — Meets 2nd and 4th Mon, 7:30 p.m., 127 East Main St., across from Post Office, downtown Hardinsburg.

PARKLINES Lodge NO. 74 — Meets 1st and 3rd Tues., 7:30 p.m., 221 S teedly Dr., Bardstown.

SMITHLAND Lodge NO. 75 — Meets 1st Mon of each month at 7:00 p.m. Smithland Masonic H all, 440 N. Madison St. Middletown. Charles H. Blanford, M.; Kenneth L. Cave City. across from Wigwam Mo tel. Paul D. Bunnell, M.; James R. Poynter, Sec., P.O. Box, 503 Cave City 42127, 270-685-2618.

OAKLAND Lodge NO. 83 — Meets 2nd and 4th Fri., Daniel Hall, Blue Lick Rd. at KY 150, Greenup, 270-687-4843.

PLUMB Lodge NO. 84 — Meets in Robinson Lodge Hall, 4699 Applegate Ln., Louisville 40214, 502-969-1294.


WHEAT LODGE NO. 87 — Meets 2nd Tues., 3:30 p.m., 125 N. Mulberry St., New Haven, 502-424-7917.

KLIPIT Lodge NO. 95 — Meets every 2nd Sat. at the month of the 15th, Smith Hall, Rittson Park, 117 N. 10th St., New Haven, 502-489-3689.

JEFFERSONTOWN Lodge NO. 174 — Meets in Jeffersonville, 2nd and 4th Thurs., 7:30 p.m. at the home of Jim and Jo Fawley, 2530 E. Dixie Hwy., Louisville 40214.


GREAT HIGHLAND LODGE NO. 119 — Meets in Jeffersontown, 2nd & 4th Sat. at 6:00 p.m. (c.s.t.) Hwy. 155, 2 miles E of Jeffersontown.

GRAND CENTRAL LODGE NO. 218 — Meets 4th and 1st Sat. at 7:30 p.m., 203 N. Main St., Crestwood. Joseph R. Conway, PGM (4), Grand Secretary.

ROSEWOOD LODGE NO. 279 — Meets 1st and 3rd Mon., 7:30 p.m., 1st Floor, Crestwood School, 7505 Dixie Hwy, Louisville 40214.

BEACON LODGE NO. 385 — Meets 2nd and 4th Mon., 7:30 P.M., 7450 Dixie Hwy., Louisville 40214.


CUBERLAND VALLEY Lodge NO. 557 — Meets 2nd Fri. at 7:30 p.m., 1205 Broadway Ave., Leitchfield. Walter R. Kellum, M.; Burt R. Callender, Sec., 416 Bourbon St., Leitchfield 42741, 270-458-5391.

UNION SAVANNAH LODGE NO. 588 — Meets 2nd and 4th, 7:30 p.m., at the Courthouse, Union Court House, 102 Court House Rd., Union 42376, 270-833-2653.

RICHMOND Lodge NO. 25 — Meets 2nd & 4th Mon., 7:30 P.M., 842 West Main St., Richmond. Michael P. Murphy, M.; Jerry S. Hunt, Sec., 221 Steedly Dr., Louisville 40219.

SHAWNEE Lodge NO. 519 — Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 7506 Stathen, Louisville 40214, 502-969-1294.

OLYMPIA LODGE NO. 157 — Meets 3rd Sat., at 7:30 p.m., 308 E. Breckinridge, Louisville 40212, 502-635-7777.

HIGHLAND PARK Lodge NO. 86 — Meets in a room at the home of Walter R. Kellum, M.; Burt R. Callender, Sec., 416 Bourbon St., Leitchfield 42741, 270-458-5391.

INDIANA CONSISTORY — Meets 2nd and 4th Sat. at 6:00 p.m. (c.s.t.) Hwy. 155, 2 miles E of Jeffersontown.
Be sure you have notified your Lodge Secretary

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C. FAYE HALE PAST MASTERS ASSOCIATION — Meets the 5th Friday of each month. Richard M.B., 918 President; 210-168-6865. Everett Halle, 513 Secretary; 270-254-3152.


LEXINGTON YORK BITE BODIES: Meets at the Masonic Temple, 3000 Harrods Creek Rd., Louisville, KY 40241. Meet 2nd Friday at 7:30 P.M. at St. John’s by invitation. At 9:00 P.M. at 310 W. Manslick Rd., 40203. Meet 2nd Thurs., 7:30 P.M. at 9035 Wagel Ln., 40229. Call 952-967-571.


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Kings Temple

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Mr. V. M. Sessions, W.M.; Mrs. L. J. Ramsey, Sec., 1410 Gardiner Ln., 2nd Tued., 7:00 P.M. Gerri Fromme, W.M.; Elaine B. Hitt, 12410 Spring Leaf Ct., Louisville 40229, 502-955-7817.

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Masons from Western Kentucky joined forces to host a Christmas Party for the 2113rd Transportation of the Kentucky National Guard on Sunday December 5, 2010. This is the 7th year Western Kentucky Masons have been providing these events for their local National Guard and Army reserve Units.

According to Dean Owen, Chairman of the Veterans Affairs Committee and Master of Antioch Lodge #332 "This program is a lot of fun, and really needed. Few people realize how difficult a situation our local National Guard and Reserve Soldiers are in. As this war continues it seems most Americans have forgotten their Soldiers, the war is no longer popular, so there is not much news. But our Kentucky Soldiers are being deployed at alarming rates. Over the years we learned we could provide group events for these units very efficiently. That takes a BIG load off of the family groups so they can focus resources and efforts more directly on the personal needs of the individual Soldiers and their families. It is really rewarding to sit back with guys you see in Lodge and watch one of these events unfold, all the families having a good time, Santa coming in and lighting up the kids faces, and knowing we made that happen."

Andy Kelly (aka Santa Clause) stated "it is really rewarding to be able to give back to these soldiers in some way. Andy is a member of Paducah Lodge #127 and Chaplin of the Local Disabled American veterans organization. According to Andy "There are so many good men and families in these units, and so many Soldiers in our fraternity, it is just a natural fit".

Rod Pearce, PM of Paducah Lodge #127 stated "It is a lot of fun working with the various lodges, it seems most every Lodge in Western KY has a part of play in helping this program take off. The relationships with the Soldiers has been particularly powerful, it seems these folks have so many issues going on at once with deployments and training, to give back just a little feels really good."

If you would like to know more about how to get your Lodge involved with your Local National Guard or Reserve unit contact Dean Owen at 270-554-0720.