Amity Lodge 40 Presents Portrait

On December 4, 2012 at a stated communication of Bath Lodge No. 55, Amity Lodge No. 40 presented Bath Lodge a portrait of Past Grand Master John Ramsey (1899-1900) a member of Bath Lodge. The presentation was to mark the renovation of the Lodge by the members of Bath Lodge. Shown presenting the portrait is Grand Senior Warden Wilson K. Wilder (right) a member of Amity Lodge No. 40 to Jerald Howard, Master of Bath Lodge No. 55.

Pinnacle Lodge 661 – Cops for Kids

On December 17, 2012, Pinnacle Lodge No. 661 made its annual donation to the Middlesboro Police Department’s “Cops For Kids” program. This program enables the Police Department to help the less fortunate children in Middlesboro have the Merry Christmas they deserve. Officer Petie Gilbert is shown accepting the donation from Brother Steve Martin. Pictured, left to right, first row: Brothers Charlie Jones, Sam Bowling, Tommy Harrell, David Martin, Harrison Sowders, Dallis Good, and Brian Greene. Second row, Brothers Wayne Johnston, Luke Gilley, Jake Lewis, J.D. Skidmore, and Joey Young. Back row, Brothers Phillip Ball, Doug Hughes, and Jason Martin.

Wheelright Lodge 889 Officers for 2013

On December 28, 2012, Wheelwright Lodge No. 889 F&AM held its 2013 Open Installation of Officers. It was an honor and privilege to have Officers of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky to conduct the Installation Ceremony. The Installing Officer was Most Worshipful Grand Master, Christopher L. Stout and the Installing Marshal was Right Worshipful Grand Marshall, John R. Howard, also assisting was Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Rick Nation, Right Worshipful, Grand Senior Warden, Wilson K. Wilder and Right Worshipful, Grand Junior Warden, Cloyd J. Bumgardner. This year’s Officers are left to right, Front row; Steven Blevins, Senior Steward; Dewey Owens, Treasurer; Randy Lee Hall, Senior Deacon; Chris Adkins, Junior Deacon; Dean Hall, Tiler; Dan Collins, Secretary; Ricky Hamilton, Junior Steward; and Hollis Daniels, Chaplain. Second row; Right Worshipful Grand Marshal, John R. Howard; Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden, Cloyd J. Bumgardner; Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden, Wilson K. Wilder; Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Rick Nation; and Most Worshipful, Grand Master, Christopher L. Stout. Back row: Douglas A. Harvey, Senior Warden, Ambassador to the Masonic Homes, District #28; Ernest Jackson, Master, DDGM District #28, and Tyler Green, Junior Warden. Wheelwright Lodge meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. All Brothers are welcome to attend.
Grand Master’s Message

CHRIS L. STOUT
Grand Master

Brethren, this month we should remember the founding father of our great country and our first President of the United States of America, Brother George Washington. We should stop and reflect what this Brother did for our country and our Fraternity. Celebrate his birthday this month and remember that our George Washington Masonic Memorial, in Alexandria, Virginia will be celebrating this great man and Mason this month.

By now, most of the Lodges have completed their installation of Officers and hopefully all the Officers are getting settled into their stations. At the end of the installation ceremony it states that the Brethren who have been selected to assist the Master in the well ruling and governing of the Lodge are too conversant with the rules of propriety and the laws of the Institution to warrant any mistrust that they will be found wanting in the discharge of those duties or that they will exceed the powers with which they have been invested. And you, my Brethren, I am sure are of too generous a nature to envy their preferment. According to the dictionary, the definition of Assist is to give support or aid. Brethren, we must assist each other within this great Fraternity. We must assist our communities, Lodges, each other, our families, and our widows.

During the installation of the Master, he is presented a set of By-Laws of his Lodge by the installing Master. Master’s please review the By-Laws of your Lodge carefully and see that they have been updated recently. Section No. 76 of our Book of Constitution states that each subordinate Lodge shall adopt By-Laws for the government of its own affairs provided that the same are not inconsistent with the Constitution, rules and edicts of the Grand Lodge and shall furnish a copy to the Grand Secretary to be placed on file in the Grand Lodge. Masters I encourage you to put your eyes on the By-Laws of your Lodge. Also, I would encourage you to ensure that they have been updated within the last 3-4 years, and that if any updates were or will be made to them that those updates get sent to the Grand Secretary at the Grand Lodge Office.

May we continue to communicate and assist each other in this great Fraternity to move it forward.

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REMINDER TO PAY YOUR 2013 LODGE DUES

On Saturday, December 8, 2012 Brother Melvin “Bubbie” Martin (left) received his 60 Year Pin from Smithland Lodge No. 138 Master Ronnie Walker (right).

On December 8, 2012 Mountain Lodge No. 187 held their annual Christmas and Awards dinner. Brother Pat McDonald (center) and Brother Gene Carty (right) received their 50 Year Pins from Master Rusty Howard.

On December 4, 2012 an awards night was held at Poage Lodge No. 325. Fifty Year Pins were awarded to four Brothers. Pictured, left to right: Henry Ramey; Ron Perry; Master Marc I. Rosen; William Davidson; and Charles Pelfrey. A wonderful evening of fellowship was had by all in attendance.

Seven Brothers of Murray Lodge No. 105 received their 50 and 60 Year Service Awards at the regular stated meeting in November. Present were Ray D. Wire 60-Year; Tremon Farris 50-Year; Henry Hutson 50-Year; Don Murdock 50-Year; and Robert Samuelson 50-Year. Not present: George Brooks, Jr., 60-Year; and L.A. Sykes 60-Year. Presenting the awards was Vincent May, Past Grand Master of Indiana. The ceremony was open and a good time was had by all friends and family attending the meeting.
Notes

FROM YOUR GRAND SECRETARY
JOSEPH R. CONWAY, P.G.M., Grand Secretary

As the birthday of the Father of our Country and our Masonic Brother George Washington is celebrated on February 22, many Lodges are preparing to host a Lodge program commemorating the event. Also during the month of February, a day is set aside to remember and honor all past Presidents of the United States for their service to our Country. And while we generally remember Brother George Washington as the “first” President, there were fourteen others who served as President, either of the Continental Congress, or the “United States” under the Articles of Confederation, before Brother Washington was elected to office on April 6, 1789, under the Constitution of the United States of America.

An interesting article, written by John R. Nocas, MPS (P.M., S.C.R.L), appeared in the February, 2005 issue of the Southern California Research Lodge, F&AM Newsletter about the fourteen Presidents who served our nation in the Continental Congress, and later under the Articles of Confederation, four of whom were Freemasons, before George Washington was elected President of the United States. Brother Nocas termed these fourteen “OUR FORGOTTEN PRESIDENTS.” I would dare say that he picked an appropriate heading for his article and brought an interesting fact to our attention, of which I feel comfortable in saying, not many of us were aware.

The fourteen Presidents listed in the article are:

Brother Peyton Randolph
(1774) Virginia

Henry Middleton
(1774—1779) South Carolina

*Brother John Hancock
(1775—1777) Boston

Brother Henry Laurens
(1777—1778) South Carolina

John Jay
(1778—1779) New York

Samuel Huntington
(1779—1781) Connecticut

Thomas McKean
(1781) Delaware, May have been a Freemason, but no proof.

Grand Lodge office can NOT file for the individual Lodges any longer. Since the tax codes are so complex, I am somewhat reluctant to advise Lodges on their tax situations and/or liabilities. Therefore, if I have created any doubts in your mind about individual Lodge tax responsibilities, I suggest that you contact either the IRS or a reliable tax consultant to clear up any questions that may come to mind.

LODGE LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE

Sometime ago I asked our local insurance carrier, the Wells Fargo Company, to furnish this office with a general summary of the two types of insurance coverage, provided by the Grand Lodge Blanket Insurance Coverage, that is the most common concern of most Lodges. Since the information is still current, I think it would be beneficial to print it again, as follows:

RE:
1. Liability Insurance
2. Workers Compensation Insurance

As you know, your Lodge is provided Liability Insurance Coverage by a master policy through Grand Lodge. That policy covers your normal Lodge activities, whether they occur in your building or elsewhere (Examples: Parade, Picnic, etc). The policy, however, is not meant to cover operations not usual for a Lodge. If, for example, you hold a regular Fish Fry, your Lodge should have a separate Liability Policy to cover the operation. Additionally, if you let other groups use your Lodge, you need separate Liability Coverage.

The Grand Lodge also provides a workers compensation policy to cover the employees usual to a Lodge. Typically your Lodge may have a person doing clerical work or general maintenance of the Lodge facility. The policy is not designed to cover people who are hired to do other work not closely affiliated with the operation of the Lodge. If, for example, the Lodge owns farm property, and hires individuals to work on the farm, your Lodge should purchase its own workers compensation policy to cover those employees. Remember, the Master Workers Compensation Policy is provided to cover the employees that are usual to the operation of your Lodge.

Wells Fargo Company address:
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Each January a “Memorandum of Insurance” certificate summarizing the coverage each Lodge has, is mailed to each Secretary. Note that this insurance covers only Lodge activities— it does not extend coverage to the building. If the Lodge owns the building, additional Liability coverage is a must in order to protect the Lodge and it membership against liability claims.

If you have specific questions regarding the Insurance coverage, you may direct them to either the Wells Fargo Agency (Jack Matthews) at the number listed above, or this office— whichever best suits you.

Quote of the Month

“Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.”

—Benjamin Franklin

LODGE AND TAXES

Contrary to what many believe, the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and its constituent Lodges do not classify under Federal, State, County, or City Codes as charitable organizations and are, therefore, liable for various taxes that apply according to many tax laws. The IRS classification for the Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges is 501 (C) (10) Fraternal Non Profit and as such, does not relieve them from paying certain taxes such as property taxes, sales taxes, unemployment taxes, income taxes (in certain cases), and probably others that do not readily come in mind.

Each Lodge MUST file the e-postcard online or the 990/990 EZ for their Lodge every year! The

Save the Date!

2013 GREAT DAY OF SERVICE
Saturday, April 20th
MASONIC HOMES OF KENTUCKY

GRAND SECRETARY

Elast Boudinot
(1782—1783) New Jersey

Thomas Mifflin
(1783—1784) Pennsylvania

Richard Henry Lee
(1784—1785) Virginia

*Brother John Hancock
(1785—1786) Re-elected, but resigned in May, 1786, because of ill health.

Nathaniel Gorham
(1786—1787) Massachusetts

Brother Arthur St. Clair
(1787) Governor of Northwest Territory

Cyrus Griffin
(1788—1789) Virginia

*You will note that Brother John Hancock is listed twice, having been a Freemason, but no proof.

The first seven listed served as Presidents of the Continental Congress; the last eight listed served as Presidents of the “United States” under the Articles of Confederation.

The complete article appeared in the February, 1983 issue of the Philalethes Magazine.

(Reprinted from the April 2005 issue of the Masonic Home Journal)

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Masonic Community Outreach

Murray Lodge 105
High School Donations

Members of Murray Lodge No. 105 recently made a $500.00 donation to Calloway and Murray High School's resource centers, as a part of the Masonry Matters program.

Ft. Thomas Lodge 808 – Christmas Walk

On Sunday, December 2, 2012 Ft. Thomas Lodge No. 808 participated in the city of Ft. Thomas annual Christmas Walk. Businesses and organizations are open to the public and given food, treats and drinks. Ft. Thomas Lodge served chili, cookies and treats. It was a great evening for promoting the Lodge and Masonry.

Burnside Lodge 634
Burnside Elementary Donation

Burnside Lodge No. 634 recently presented Burnside Elementary School with a $500.00 check to help with the school's Family Resource Center. The money will be used to help buy school supplies, clothes and food for the children. Making the presentation are from left, Mike Hall, Master; April Mounce, Principal; and David Thompson, Junior Warden.

Boone-Union Lodge 304
Outreach Program

Members of the Boone-Union Lodge No. 304, of Union, Kentucky recently held a fundraising dinner for the New Haven Elementary School Outreach Program for Students. Pictured, left to right: Ernest R. Stratton, President of the Fellow Craft Committee; Keli Mason, School Counselor; Sandy Collette, Assistant Principal; and Edward M. Tanner, Secretary/Treasurer of the Fellow Craft Committee.

James W. Alley Lodge 869
Christmas Dinner & Hospice Donation

James W. Alley Lodge No. 869 in Wayland, Kentucky held its annual Christmas Dinner on December 15, 2012 for the families and children in the community. Following a delicious Christmas dinner, all the children in attendance received gifts from Santa Claus. Shown here is Michelle Harvey, Registered Nurse, with Appalachian Hospice Care, receiving the annual donation check for $500.00 from Master, Jerry Thomas, also, an additional $256.00 was donated by those in attendance. Thanks to everyone, including Virginia Spencer Chapter #573 OES for helping make this event possible for the families and children in the community.

Somerset Lodge 111 – Therapy Dog Team

Somerset Lodge No. 111 Master, Michael R. Grishy presented Mrs. Gloria Sams, with the Lodge's Annual Community Service Award for her dedicated service in the Somerset/Pulaski County Community. Mrs. Sams was accompanied by Joey—who is the other half of her therapy dog team and is a certified Reading Education Assistance Dog. They have been a therapy team for the past 9 years. Joey also received a Certification of Appreciation from the Lodge for his service as a Therapy Dog in the local community.

photo by Donnie Brake

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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.
2013 LODGE OFFICERS

Meeting Creek Lodge 641

On December 8, 2012 Meeting Creek Lodge No. 641 held their Installation of Officers. The Installing Officer was John Teegarden, and Installing Marshal, Jerry Hummel. Pictured, left to right, front row: Jerry Jones, Senior Steward; Arvil Cundiff, Senior Warden; John Teegarden, Marshal; Elmer Loyal, Chaplain; Raymond Ashlock, Junior Warden; Everett Hallisy, Secretary; and Eric Duval, Junior Steward. Back row: Fredrick Ackiss, Tiler; Danny Goodman, Treasurer; Chester Knight, Jr., Master; and Richard Riddle, Senior Deacon.

Barker Lodge 129

On December 15, 2012 Barker Lodge No. 129 installed their Officers for 2013. Pictured, left to right: Bart Howard, Senior Warden; Delbert Yates, Master; Clarence Embry, Jr., Junior Deacon; Lee Broome, Treasurer; Leonard Pokuta, Junior Steward; and John Jolley, Secretary. Not pictured: Jonathon English, Senior Deacon; Jeffery Wright, Junior Warden; Patrick Jolley, Chaplain; Thomas Roeder, Tiler; Gregory Bartlett, Marshal; Robert Roeder, Senior Steward; Gaylon Goldsmith, Historian; John Teegarden, Installing Officer; and Jerry Hummel, Installing Marshal.

Sievers Lodge 491

Sievers Lodge No. 491 2013 Officers. Pictured, left to right: Ed Harrison, Tiler; Roger McCormick, Junior Steward; Fred Campbell, Junior Deacon; Dee Cotes, Senior Warden; Gary Sargent, Master; Mike McQuery, Junior Warden; Andy Williams, Marshal; Dan Sanger, Secretary; and John Ashbrook, Treasurer. Not pictured: Randy Smith, Chaplain; Michael Seth McQuery, Senior Deacon; and Scott Waters, Senior Steward.

B. R. Young Lodge 132

On December 18, 2012 B. R. Young Lodge No. 132 installed their Officers for the Year 2013. Pictured, left to right, front row: Joseph Foley, Chaplain; Joseph Barany, Treasurer; Paul Withington, Senior Warden; Bill Gehr, Master; Paul Amos, Junior Warden; and Jesse Simms, Secretary. Back row: Brian Perkins, Junior Steward; Will Burden, Senior Deacon; Gary Rice, Junior Deacon; Chet Knight, Jr., Marshal; Russell Healey, Tiler; Dan Spears, Senior Steward. Not pictured: John Teegarden, Installing Officer; and Jerry Hummel, Installing Marshal.

Morrison Lodge 76

On December 20, 2012 Morrison Lodge No. 76 installed their Officers for the Year 2013. Pictured, left to right, front: Brandon Race, Senior Steward. 2nd row: John Teegarden, Installing Officer; Tim Sanders, Treasurer; Ray Knight, Senior Warden; Eric Google, Junior Deacon; Blane Willcut, Junior Steward; Greg Lundy, Junior Warden; and Arthur Light, Marshal. 3rd row: Benjamin Peterson, Chaplain; J. C. Lanford, Senior Deacon; Russell Healey, Master; Matthew Lewis, Secretary; and James Newton, Marshal. Not pictured: Jerry Hummel, Installing Marshal.

Greenwood Lodge 903

Greenwood Lodge No. 903 recently elected and installed Officers for 2013. Pictured, from left: Tony Petry III, Junior Deacon; Ray McCullah, Treasurer; Leonard Ball, Senior Warden; Bill Hale, Jr., Master; Austin Price, Junior Warden; Dustin Hamlin, Secretary; Seth Haynes, Junior Steward; and Robert Neidler, Senior Deacon.
ALA BAM A MA SON S ARE COMING TO THE COMMONWEALTH SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2013

Breakfast at the Scottish Rite Temple, Valley of Louisville
200 East Gray Street, at 7 a.m.
Fern Creek Lodge No. 955 will open Lodge at 7 a.m. for conferment of the Master Mason Degree upon their candidate, Kentucky style. At the completion of this work, Semmes Lodge No. 878 will confer the Alabama version of the Master Mason Degree upon their candidate.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AT THE SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE

Note: A special thanks to Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky David Carter. Brother Carter is the Personal Representative and Secretary/Recorder of the Valley of Louisville Scottish Rite. He has graciously opened the Temple for this occasion.
Discovering calm on the Louisville campus

For more than a year, Masterpiece Living has helped older adults on the Louisville campus age successfully. For the past weeks, it has been helping them cope with stress.

My Stress Solutions is a four-week workshop that helps identify stressors, recognize causes and nutritional triggers, and develop individual plans to control and eliminate stress.

Already 21 Louisville campus residents in Masonic Home Village have completed the course, according to Lifestyle Director Guenna Godsey. New sessions are underway in The Pillars Assisted Care Center and Miralea Active Lifestyle Community.

Along with learning how to control stress, Godsey says the workshops have expanded to include practicing mindfulness and tai chi has been added to exercise regiments. Both approaches teach residents techniques to overcome anxiety and stress with calmness.

While it might seem unusual for older adults to suffer from stress, financial difficulties, rising medical costs, limited mobility and other concerns cause anxiety, according to Leading Age, the national advocacy organization representing nonprofit senior service providers. “Stress takes both a physical and emotional strain on the body, and learning to manage stress contributes to better health,” Godsey said.

Since Masonic Homes began offering Masterpiece Living on the Louisville campus, residents have joined walking groups, started book clubs, learned to line dance, taken up woodworking and learned to manage stress.

Welcome, District 16 Ambassador!

Masonic Homes of Kentucky is pleased to welcome Brother Leonard Richardson (Lebanon Lodge No. 87) as its District 16 Ambassador.

Brother Richardson noticed the article in the December 2012 Masonic Home Journal stating that the Homes needed a representative; he stepped forward to represent MHKY in his district.

Thanks to Brother Richardson, all 30 District Ambassador positions for the current year have been filled.

2013 Great Day of Service — Saturday, April 20

Join your Masonic Brothers from across the Commonwealth at Masonic Homes of Kentucky’s Louisville and Shelbyville campuses in a day of fellowship and service.

Watch for more information in the next issue of Masonic Home Journal.
“There is absolutely no obligation”

By Bruce Lott—Chief Development Officer

How many times have you seen a TV, internet or magazine ad that promises this? The companies want you to try their product or service, and seem to guarantee that if you decide not to buy it, you can walk away.

While many things in life can be cast aside that easily, it’s different with Masonry, isn’t it? We kneel at the altar and made a definitive statement in the presence of our Brothers that we would, among many things, care for our widows and orphans. So in Masonry, as with other commitments we make, we are pledged to care for those special persons who seek our help.

Our Grand Master also has pledged during his year of service to help your Masonic Homes aid and assist our Brothers, their wives and widows living at our Louisville and Shelbyville homes, and those children who are served at Sproutlings Pediatric Day Care Center & Preschool on our Louisville campus.

When attending your Lodge’s next meeting, picture yourself at the altar, reciting the obligation. Focus on the words, recalling how you felt when you first heard them. The older adults and little children at the Homes need to know you remember them.

As your District Ambassador or District Deputy visits your lodge, please consider spending just $10 for a Masonicare lapel pin. Is there absolutely no obligation? You decide.

Worth a thousand words

Marine Cpl. Joseph Ali sent a flag that flew over Camp Dewey in Afghanistan, where he is currently stationed and a financial gift to support the Homes’ charity work. Presenting the gift to Homes’ VP of Mission Advancement Phyllis O’Daniel (left) and Chief Development Officer Bruce Lott (far right) were Cpl. Ali’s brothers from Pewee Valley No. 829, Kevin Reardon and Gene Grady.

Masonic Home Village resident Wanda Lutes (left) was recognized by St. Matthews Area Chamber of Commerce at the annual Community Pride event. Wanda’s volunteer work in the Village Sunday Shop was among the activities that earned her the honor. Presenting the award to Wanda was St. Matthews Chamber President Billy Fowler (right).

Students from Mary Queen of Heaven school in Erlanger visited Spring Hill Village during the residents’ weekly coffee hour. Along with singing the holiday classics, students enjoyed cookies and treats from the residents. Enjoying the event were (from left) Betty Bray, Peg Osterhage, Frances Greene and Mary Sue Gormel.

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Recently Mt. Gilead Lodge No. 255 held an Open Installation and dinner for their Officers, members and families. Pictured, left to right, front row: Dan Hamlin, Secretary; Warren King, Senior Warden; Wayne Saylor, Master; Garry Patrick, Treasurer; Jack Lanigan, Chaplain; and Leonard Peak, Tiler. Back row: Eddie Girdler, Junior Steward; Chris Lambdin, Senior Steward; Jeremy Puckett, DDGM #22; Eddie Jernigan, Marshal; and Ron Hutchison, Installing Officer.

photo by Donnie Brake

Somerset Lodge No. 111 recently held an Open Installation for their 2013 Officers. Pictured, left to right, front row: Linda Stepp, Worthy Grand Matron of Kentucky O.E.S.; Doug Fritz, Treasurer; Richard Short, Senior Warden; John Huff, Master; Michael Short, Junior Warden; Eric Barnett, Secretary; and Cloyd Bumgardner, Grand Junior Warden. Back row: Jeremy Puckett, DDGM #22, Installing Officer; Anthony McCollum, Senior Deacon; Cody Cundiff, Junior Deacon; Ron Corriveau, Senior Steward; David Avera, Chaplain; Rich Lovitt, Tiler; Joe Bales, Marshal; and John W. Johnson, Installing Marshal.

Somerset Lodge 111

Congratulations to the 2013 Fern Creek Lodge No. 955 Officers. Pictured left to right, front row: Tim Vanderhoof, DDGM #13; Charlie Jewell, PGM, Installing Marshal; Arnold Wyatt, PGM, Installing Master; Don Payton, Treasurer; Luke Martin, Master; Ralph Lawson, Junior Warden; Melvin Mullins, Secretary; and Chester Bailey, Junior Steward. Back row: Joe Shultz, Senior Steward; Larry Cox, Tiler; Harold Yancey, Trustee; Evan Das, Junior Deacon; Dennis Allen, Senior Warden; and Wayne Grubb, Junior Deacon. Not pictured: Estil Wilkerson, Chaplain.

Fern Creek Lodge 955

Lancaster Lodge No. 104 Installation of Officers for 2013. Left to right, front row: George Ralph Arnold, Senior Deacon; Mike Oakley, Senior Warden; Randy Roberts, Master; and Chris Thomason, Treasurer. 2nd row: Johnny Yates, Secretary; Randall Williams, Junior Deacon; Shelby Gofdey, Junior Warden; and Howard Coop, Chaplain. 3rd row: Keith Dreier, PGM, Installing Master; and John West, Installing Marshal. Not pictured: Ron Ledford, Marshal; and Joe Coker, Tiler.

Lancaster Lodge 104

The Society of Past Masters of Southern Kentucky (Les Anciens Maîtres de l’O.S.) of Southern Kentucky will confer “The Order of Solomon” on Saturday, February 9, 2013 at Simpson-Benevolent Lodge #177 724 Blackjack Road in Franklin, Kentucky (1/2 mile off Industrial By-Pass 1018, across from Dana Corporation)

ALL CURRENT MASTERS, MASTERS INSTALLED FOR THE 2013 TERM AND PAST MASTERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THIS COVETED DEGREE.

The initiation fee is only $15.00, one time only and no annual dues thereafter. We will begin registration at 9:00 a.m. The degree work will begin at 10:30 a.m. The meal will be served at noon after the degree work. The cost of the meal for members is $5.00

Society of Past Masters

of Southern Kentucky
On December 17, 2012 McNeil Lodge No. 586 installed its Officers for 2013 and was honored to have Most Worshipful Grand Master of Kentucky Chris L. Stout, Deputy Grand Master Rick Nation, and Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Don Yankey in attendance. Pictured, left to right, front row: Chris Stout, Grand Master; Don Yankey, Past Grand Master; Pat Miles, Junior Warden; Steve Miles, Master; Rick Nation, Deputy Grand Master; Casey Palmer, Tiler; Cory Goff, Marshal; and Tony Miles, Senior Deacon; Steve Miles, Master; Rick Nation, Deputy Grand Master; Casey Palmer, Tiler; Cory Goff, Marshal; and Tony Miles, Senior Warden. Second row: Tim Sanders, DDGM #15, Senior Deacon; Casey Palmer, Tiler; Cory Goff, Marshal; and Tony Miles, Senior Deacon; Steve Miles, Master; Rick Nation, Deputy Grand Master; Casey Palmer, Tiler; Cory Goff, Marshal; and Tony Miles, Senior Warden. Second row: Tim Sanders, DDGM #15, Senior Deacon; Larry Waters, Senior Warden; and Matthew Epperhart, Senior Steward. Back row: John Howard, Grand Marshal; and Larry Dangerfield, Treasurer.

Phelps Lodge No. 482 Officers for 2013. Pictured, left to right: Jerome Bowen, Tiler; James Hampton, Chaplain; Eddie Johnson, Master; and Curtis Owens, Treasurer. Back row: Rick Bradley, Junior Warden; Rick Sears, Secretary; Kevin Hollaway, Senior Deacon; Tim Gamble, Junior Deacon; Joshua Pigman, Senior Warden; and Matthew Epperhart, Senior Steward.

Buford Lodge No. 494 of Midway, Kentucky recently installed the new Officers for 2013 at an open regular meeting. Pictured, left to right, front row: Doyle Rambo, Installing Officer; Art Smith, Tiler; Art Craig, Senior Warden; David Jefferson, Master; Bob Howard, Junior Warden; Larry Wilson, Treasurer; and Troy Ballard, Installing Marshal. Back row: Chris Childress, Junior Deacon; Louie Driskell, Chaplain; Herman Pittman, Junior Steward; Gary Finnell, Grand Junior Deacon; Billy McDaniel, Senior Steward; and Charles Beagle, Secretary. Not pictured: Patrick Douglas, Senior Deacon.
Notice

HEPBURN LODGE NO. 576
Hepburn Lodge No. 576 new address: Hepburn Lodge No. 576, c/o: Clarence C. Atkins, P. O. Box 591, Sandy Hook, KY 41171.

McKinney LODGE NO. 631
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, McKinney Lodge No. 631 will vote on changing the meeting night from the first Thursday of every month to the first Tuesday of every month. All members 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 Secretary. All members are urged to attend.

By-Laws

AMITY LODGE NO. 40
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Amity Lodge No. 40 will vote on proposed By-Laws changes. All members are encouraged to attend.

HICKMAN LODGE NO. 131
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in The Masonic Home Journal, Hickman Lodge No. 131 will vote on changes to its By-Laws concerning an increase in dues. Article Eleven: Section 1: The regular dues of this Lodge shall be Fifty (50.00) dollars above the Grand Lodge assessments. These dues shall commence at the time of receiving the Entered Apprentice degree, but shall prorated to the Entered Apprentice with a minimum of Twenty-five (25.00) dollars. Dues will increase the rate of Grand Lodge increase plus One (1.00) dollar.

Resolution of Respect

Richard D. Branstetter
Highland Park Lodge No. 865
Louisville, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Richard D. Branstetter who passed from this life on December 26, 2012.

Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed through the portals of eternity into that house not made by human hands.

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

WHEREAS, in his passing, the family has lost a beloved member and the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Charter of Highland Park Lodge No. 865 of Louisville, Kentucky be draped for thirty days in testimony of our loss, and we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolences in their deep affliction, a copy of this Resolution be 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.

Bob Seltzer, Master
Charles Edwards, Sec.

DEWAYNE JOHNSON
Cassia Lodge No. 272
Morgantown, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Dewayne Johnson, who passed from this life December 9, 2012. Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed through the portals of eternity into that house not made by human hands.

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

WHEREAS, in his passing, the family has lost a beloved member and the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Charter of Cassia Lodge No. 272 of Morgantown, Kentucky be draped for thirty days in testimony of our loss, and we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolences in their deep affliction, a copy of this Resolution be 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.

Bob Seltzer, Master
Charles Edwards, Sec.

Masonic Education Schedule 2012-2013

MASONIC EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE DATES, TIMES & PLACES
NO MEALS WILL BE SERVED
DRESS CASUAL - ALL MEETING TIMES ARE PREVAILING TIMES

REGION # 4
DIST. 10 & 11
Saturday, February 2
9:00 AM (CST)
Allen Lodge # 24
200 South Green St. 3rd Floor of US Bank, Glasgow, KY

REGION # 5
DIST. 12, 13, & 14
Saturday, February 2
3:00 PM (EST)
Scottish Rite Consistory
200 East Gray St., Louisville, KY

REGION # 6
DIST. 17, 18, 19 & 23
Saturday, February 9
9:00 AM (EST)
Scottish Rite Consistory
1553 Madison Ave, Covington, KY

REGION # 7
DIST. 15, 16, 20 & 21
Saturday, February 9
3:00 PM (EST)
Scottish Rite Consistory
533 Rosemont Garden, Lexington, KY

REGION # 8
DIST. 22, 26, & 30
Saturday, February 23
9:00 AM (EST)
Hugh Harris Lodge # 938
2209 S. Main St Corbin, KY

REGION # 9
DIST. 24, 25, & 29
Saturday, February 23
3:00 PM (EST)
Perry County Central High School
305 Park Ave Hazard, KY

REGION # 10
DIST. 27 & 28
Saturday, March 2
9:00 AM (EST)
Ramada Inn
624 Trumble Ave, at Hwy 321 Paintsville, KY

DEWAYNE JOHNSON
Cassia Lodge No. 272
Morgantown, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Dewayne Johnson, who passed from this life December 9, 2012. Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed through the portals of eternity into that house not made by human hands.

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

WHEREAS, in his passing, the family has lost a beloved member and the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Charter of Cassia Lodge No. 272 of Morgantown, Kentucky be draped for thirty days in testimony of our loss, and we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolences in their deep affliction, a copy of this Resolution be 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.

Bob Seltzer, Master
Charles Edwards, Sec.

February, 2013

WHEREAS, in his passing, the family has lost a beloved member and the Fraternity an upright man and Mason; therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Charter of Folsondale Lodge No. 283 F&AM of Folsondale, Kentucky be draped for thirty days in testimony of our loss, and we tender to the family of our deceased Brother our sincere condolences in their deep affliction, and a copy of this Resolution be 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.

Charles D. Smith, Master
Glen D. Barker, Sec.

GARY W. SLOAN
New Salem Lodge No. 462
Franklin, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Gary W. Sloan who passed December 12, 2012. Once again a Brother Mason, having completed the designs written for him on life’s trestle board, has passed through the portals of eternity into that house not made by human hands.

WHEREAS, the all wise and merciful Master of the Universe has called from labor to refreshment our beloved 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 New Salem Lodge No. 462 F&AM, Simpson County, 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 this Resolution be made a part of our minutes.

Allan Swift, Jr., Master
Carl Moody, Sec.

Kentucky Order of the Eastern Star

February ITINERARY

1 Travel - District 22 get-together
2 Dist. 22 School & Murray Star # 433 Insp.
3 Church - District 22
4 Lewisburg # 109 Insp. - District 22
5 Mayfield Star # 443 Insp. - District 17
6 Carne Hart # 83 Insp. - District 17
8 Travel - District 18 get-together
9 District 18 School & Retall # 73 Insp.
10 Church - District 18
11 Elizabethtown # 174 C.V. - District 19
12 Crescent Hill # 285 C.V. - District 1
14 Eastern Star Home Valentine Party & Carroll # 442 C.V. - District 21
15 Shelby # 170 C.V. - District 21
19 Star of Hope # 183 Insp. - District 19
20 Boston # 66 Insp. - District 19
22 Zoneton # 576 Insp. - District 19
23 GO Party, Master Mason Skit - District 19 (Elizabethtown)
24 Church - District 19
25 Taylorsville # 386 Insp. - District 19
26 My Old Kentucky Home # 386 Insp. - District 19
28 Fort Knox # 439 Insp. - District 19

LINDA STEPP
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MICHAEL MARTIN
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3rd and 5th Saturday of each month
7 a.m. - 10 a.m. $6.00 Donation
Jeffersontown Lodge No. 774 F&AM
10411 Watterson Trail, Jeffersontown, Kentucky

FOR SALE
One grave plot in Louisville Memorial Gardens West, 4400 Dixie Hwy. Includes bronze plaque 24” x 14” on a granite base, 28” x 18.” The plaque has a vase that can be raised and lowered. Plot is in the Masonic Section. Site is approved for two “double depth” graves. Price is $3000, a savings of about $1100, does not include a vault, which is required. Contact Paul Beatty at 502-637-6045, leave message.

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GRAND LODGE OFFICERS 2012-2013

Chris L. Stout (41) – Grand Master
Nick Ratc (66) – Deputy Grand Master
Debbie Simmons – Grand Matron
Clyd J. Bungard (639) – Grand Junior Warden
Virgil T. Larimore, Jr. (638) – Grand Treasurer
J. Stephen Hinton (4) – Grand Secretary
Bobby L. Baker (124) – Assistant Grand Secretary
Steven Russell (124) – Assistant Grand Secretary
A. Scott Lockard (507) – Grand Chaplain
Grand Marshal – M. David Decker
Gary W. Finnel (41) – Grand Pursuant
John R. Howard (61) – Grand Adjunct

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On December 1, 2012 Master Mason Chris Fields was raised at Upton Lodge No. 749. His Grandfather, Wilford Fields did the first section of the 2nd Degree, his Father, Gary Fields did the first section of the 3rd Degree, and Michael Fields his Brother assisted. Thanks to the McNeal Degree Team for doing the second part of the 3rd Degree. Also thanks to Tim Sanders and Master Matt Lewis for their parts in the Degree work. Pictured, left to right: Wilford R. Fields, PM, Grandfather; Gary Fields, PM, Father; Master Mason Michael Fields, Brother; and newly raised 18 year old Chris Fields. Masonry, a tradition that is being handed down from generation to generation.

The walking cane was made by Past Master Phil Griffin of Pewee Valley No. 829, and presented by Brother Gene Crady to Brother Clint Sherrill of Milton Lodge No. 947. The Junior Warden must present the cane to a Junior Warden in a different Lodge within their District. The object is to have the Junior Wardens meeting each other and working together in their District as they become Masters of their Lodges. Enabling them to work in harmony with each other throughout District 17. The only rule that applies... “the cane must travel.”