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My brothers all,
I ask you to join me and Miss Oletta in giving thanks to Almighty God for all His blessings, as we enter into this Holiday Season. He has blessed us with unconditional love and the blessings of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness that we, as Americans, enjoy.

I also ask you to pause and give thanks for all of the men and women who have served our great nation in the United States Armed Forces. Many service men and women have paid the ultimate sacrifice so that you and I can lead our lives as free men, and openly meet as Freemasons. Unfortunately, many of our Masonic brothers dispersed around the globe do not share in this luxury. To show our gratitude as Freemasons, I ask that you hold a special prayer in your next lodge meeting to specifically give thanks for the Holiday Season, and for those who ensure our freedoms. I also ask that you record in your lodge minutes the intent expressed in the prayer, and then have all whom are present sign the document. This will ensure that future generations of Freemasons will read what took place in your lodge hall that night, and they will know what your thoughts were.

My brothers, as always, I ask that you make progress in your lodge, strive to attain the Grand Master’s Excellency Award, and pay close attention to the quality of Masonic ritual work you do. Think back to the quality of the ritual work when you went through your degrees and then improve upon it. Never forget, you are the best assembly of men our Commonwealth has to offer, and I humbly ask you to show it in all you do.

I look forward to seeing you soon, and remain humbly, your Grand Master.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Fraternally Thine,

Gary C. Rose
Grand Master 2018-2019

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FROM THE GRAND SECRETARY’S DESK

My brothers, the Holiday Season is upon us. Brethren, December is also the time we do our Lodge Officers Elections. After your Elections are held, and those who are to preside over the Lodge have been selected, they should be recorded in the Database system.

Brother Secretaries, there is no need to wait until your officers have been installed to update the database. By doing this as soon as possible, it will allow us to put the Directory together much earlier.

The Deadline for 2019 Masonic Directory is January 10, 2019. If there are any changes after you have updated the database, and it is prior to January 10th, please contact the office immediately so we can get those changes in the Directory.

Please note that the Grand Lodge office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 24th & 25th in observance of Christmas. We will also be closed Monday, December 31, 2018 and Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Janice and I would like wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year. Thank you for all you do for Masonry.

Fraternally,

DONALD H. YANKEY PGM
Grand Secretary,
GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY F.& A.M.
“Growing old in Kentucky Freemasonry”

Brothers, a little over four years ago I had the distinct honor of being the guest speaker for WB Mark Upchurch’s District 22, district meeting. The main focus that year by our Grand Master was the status or state of affairs of the lodge which included the number of members, EA, FC and MM’s along with deaths, initiations, advancements and raisings, basically the retention and activity of our members. I opened my presentation with the legend of the Apprentice Pillar that majestically stands within the Rosslyn Chapel in Scotland. Of the Master Mason who assigned an Apprentice to carve the Pillar while he, the Master, sailed to a foreign land to study a piece of work and return to create that which the uninstructed Apprentice failed to complete. Upon his return he found that the Apprentice had completed the pillar and that he had done so with such skill that the Master Mason could never have hoped to achieve. In his anger and jealousy the Master Mason struck and killed the Apprentice with blow to the head. For ages now, the beautiful pillar stands in the Chapel, with the head of the murderous master carved on one wall, forever gazing at the Pillar and on the opposite wall the head of the Apprentice, forever gazing at his murderer. The story teaches three lessons that we should not forget. First, it is the duty of every Mason to empower another Mason to succeed. Second, that we are taught to circumscribe our passions and keep them within due bounds. We only succeed in an environment of those who best can work and best agree. Finally, that which comes from the Pillar: the lesson of doing what we are expected to do in the best way that we can, regardless of the consequences. The Master Mason set the Apprentice up for failure but the Apprentice did his best because he wanted to create a thing of beauty.

With the help of our PGM Keith Dreier, drawing from our database and using this analogy as a means of explaining our current statewide membership status at the time, I reported that our total membership was 38,354; 178 were 18-20; 1,604 were 21-30; 3,093 were 31-40; 4,359 were 41-50; 5,758 were 51-60; 8,316 were 61-70; 7,712 were 71-80; 4,720 were 81-90; 1,024 were 90-100; and 130 were supposedly 101 years of age. Less than 5% of our membership were below the age of 30. The average statewide age of our membership was 65 years of age and the median was 58.

Today, drawing that same information from our database our total membership is down 5,375 members and now 32,979 and our average statewide age is 64. Those between the ages of 18-20 are 107; 1,355 are 21-30; 2,563 are 31-40; 3,729 are 41-50; 4,744 are 51-60; 6,727 are 61-70; 7,195 are 71-80; 4,182 are 81-90; 1,103 are 91-100; and 75 are supposedly over the age of 101. We also have 1,199 members that have no dates of birth recorded in our database.

Brothers, please create your own member page if you have not done so by going to www.grandlodgeofkentucky.org and requesting membership. You can do your own change of address, DOB, phone numbers, email, etc. which would greatly assist not only the lodge secretary but the Grand Lodge Office. Secretaries please update our database and members.

Brothers, we are growing older and older every day without younger, vibrant membership to see to preserving our Ancient and Accepted Organization. We need to encourage these young members, allow them to participate in our ritual work by having them learn a lecture, re: Working Tools, Bible, and Apron Lectures. Allow them to be Stewards in the respective degrees working alongside a knowledgeable member who will see to their training. Make them feel as if they are wanted and needed. We should be conferring our degrees to the fullest as required by our Constitution, all sections and charges delivered. We need to make the candidate feel important and that the night was all about them. We will see to their training. Make them feel as if they are wanted and needed. We should be conferring our degrees to the fullest as required by our Constitution, all sections and charges delivered. We need to make the candidate feel important and that the night was all about them. We cannot continue to shorten our work for the sake of saving time. We must preserve what has been so graciously placed in our hands to pass on to future generations.

1. What can we do to improve ourselves in displaying and practicing the tenets of our profession?
2. What can we do to improve the way we educate and share our knowledge of Speculative Freemasonry as we teach those new brothers that come behind us?
3. What can we do and what steps can we take, as a Fraternity to reach out to the younger generation around us and draw their attention that come behind us?

My questions and concerns; Are we driving off our new members by not mentoring them, encouraging them to proceed and making them feel as if they are needed and important? Are we not fully informing them and making them understand the time required to learn and advance or are we just casually taking them for the sake of an income and increased membership? I am sure that there are some that petition us thinking that it only requires a petition fee, yearly membership and when voted on and accepted that, that is all there is to membership? Nothing could be further from the truth.

Let us not be like the Master of olden day and we set our membership and ourselves up for failure? Remember brothers the night we were placed in the North East Corner of the Lodge to represent the Corner or Foundation Stone of the edifice we were to erect. My brothers the Temple we were charged to erect is not building in which we meet. The real lodge referred to throughout our ritual is ourselves, that which houses the soul given by God. So let us remember to walk uprightly throughout our lives as the men we profess to be and have obligated ourselves to be. We must be Living Stones, stone to build and to be built upon. We must see to the mentoring and instruction of our members, young and old. We have been charged to assist our lesser informed brothers, who should be willing to receive as we are willing to give instruction. Brothers, let us strive to be superstructures, perfect in all its parts and honorable to its builder.

Fraternally thine,

George M. Pennington, (315)
Committee on Masonic Education
Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M.
James W. Alley Master, Joe Owens and Senior Deacon, John Marsillett traveled to Salyersville Health Care Center on October 24th 2018, and had the honor and privilege of presenting Brother Billy Bellamy, with his 50 year service Certificate, pin and Gold dues card. It was a true blessing to set and talk with Billy and recount the days gone by both in Lodge and life. Congratulations to Brother Billy for his accomplishments and thank you for your many years of dedicated service.

Bro. Beverly Miller of Irvine Lodge #137 F&AM recently received his 70 year Masonic membership pin. The pin was presented by Master Matthew Kirby.

Shown in the photo above from L to R: Bro. Matthew Kirby, Master, Bro. Beverly Miller, and his son Bro. Larry Miller.

Bro. Joe Hart of Apperson Lodge #195 of Louisa KY received his 60 Year Pin on September 10, 2018
Shown above: L-R Bro. Joe Hart, PGM Pat Hart, (Joe's son), and Master Bob Armstrong.

Alexandria Lodge #152 celebrated their Awards Night/Widows Recognition Dinner at the lodge hall on Saturday November 3rd. Four Brothers were in attendance that received anniversary pins. Pictured are: from the left Bruce Harry; Master, Jackie Barrett 40-year member, Bernis Combs 25 year member, Luther Hensley 50 year member, Harlon Steffen 40 year member, and Roger Cummins Secretary.
Camp Knox Lodge held an appreciation night for their widows, on October 20, 2018. There were seven widows present for the dinner. Shown (L-R) Clinton Meshew, Secretary; Ms. Kate Arrondondo, Ms. Karen Muschak, Ms. Becky Brect, Ms. Ellie Morrison, Ms. Millie Robinson, Ms. Janice DeMarree, Ms. Sara Lear, & Gary McCarthy, Master.

Newport Lodge #358 celebrated their Widows & Awards dinner at Pompilos Restaurant in Newport Kentucky with 28 in attendance. Pictured are: from the left Daniel Wasser 40-year member, Douglas Deaton 50-year member, Mose Barrett 50-year member, and Stephen Rowlette Master.

St. George Lodge #239 celebrated their Annual Past Master & Awards Dinner at the Kosair Shrine Center on October 17, 2018. We had about 50 attendees including many of the newly elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers and their ladies. We would like to thank all of those who took time out of their busy schedule to spend the evening with us.

Shown in the photo on the left, from L-R: Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master Geary Laird; Charlie Bowman, PM, Secretary; Bro. Simon Wolf (50 Years); Roger Smith, PM & Secretary Emeritus (50 Years); Jon S. Dawson, Master.

Recently members of Burnside Masonic Lodge #634 and Point Isabel Eastern Star Chapter #582 made a food donation from a food drive they sponsored for Burnside Elementary Family Resource Center’s Food Bank. Making the donation are from left- Bill Varner, a member of Burnside #634 and Point Isabel #582; April Mounce, School Principal, Doug Huntsman, Senior Warden-Burnside #634 and Worthy Patron-Point Isabel #582 and Donnie Brake, Secretary for Burnside #634 and Point Isabel #582, also a Community Member of the Burnside Elementary Family Resource Center Advisory Council. Photo by Amanda Hensley

Burnside Masonic Lodge #634 recently had the honor of raising Brother Chase Brown to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. Brother Brown is shown with Lodge Master Mark Davis. Congratulations Brother Chase. Photo by Donnie Brake

Burnside Masonic Lodge #634 and Point Isabel Eastern Star Chapter #582 placed US Flags on the gravesites of our fallen heroes “the veterans” at Burnside Cemetery on Memorial Day weekend. Our heartfelt honor, respect and appreciation for the men and women of the Armed Forces. Photo by Donnie Brake

Burnside Masonic Lodge #634 held an open installation for their 2018 officers. Front row (l-r) are Richard Short, Grand Tiler; Gerald Dick, Junior Deacon, Mark Davis, Lodge Master 2018, Jamie Bray, Junior Warden, Michael Gibson, Senior Deacon and Grand Senior Warden Geary Laird. Back row (l-r)- Harold Johnson, Jr. Junior Steward, Frankie Goodman, Senior Steward, Mason Stout, Junior Steward, David Turner, Marshall, Melvin Howard, Chaplain, Robert Lawson, Treasurer and Donnie Brake, Secretary. Absent from photo was-Doug Huntsman, Senior Warden, Vence Burke, Tiler and Matthew Daulton, Junior Steward. Special thanks to Grand Senior Warden Geary Laird for Installing Officers and Grand Tiler Richard Short as Installing Marshall. Photo by Prentiss McWhorter

Photo on the Right: An open installation of lodge officers for 2018 was held at Freedom Masonic Lodge #643. Front row (l-r) are Willie Williams, Tiler, Mike Wahl, Chaplain, Seth Koonz, Junior Warden, Zach Brantley, Lodge Master 2018, Michael Guffey, Junior Steward, Donnie Brake, Secretary and Mason Stout, Installing Marshall. Back row (l-r)- Stan Oliver, Treasurer, Johnny Peercy, Senior Warden, Gary Gregory, Marshall and Mike Pierce, Installing Officer. Absent from photo were- D.J. Hewing, Senior Deacon, Dewayne Stinson, Junior Deacon and Allen Peercy, Senior Steward. Photo by Prentiss McWhorter
James W. Alley Lodge #869

On June 10th, 2018, James W. Alley Lodge #869 held its Annual Car Show at The Garrett Park. The show has become one of the premier car shows in Eastern KY, drawing cars from neighboring states with some traveling as much as 4 hours to compete for Best in Show and Top Class Trophies and prizes. Some cars arrived in enclosed trailers and was handled with great care due to their high quality. Music and entertainment was enjoyed during the show by all.

Master, Joe Owens and his core of officers presented our Annual $500.00 Scholarship check to Hayden Halbert, who attends Floyd Central High School and plans to attend college this fall. Congratulations to Hayden for his accomplishments and good luck to his future education.

Widows Sons - Bluegrass Ashlars Chapter

The Bluegrass Ashlars chapter of the Widows Sons has started its end of year donations with a check presentation to Warm Blessings Soup Kitchen located in Elizabethtown, Ky. Warm Blessings provides hot, cooked meals in the evenings at their facility along with delivered meals to those who can't get out. They also provide the use of showers and washers & dryers. If you're in the area, Warm Blessings is always looking for volunteers.

Pictured is Lon Zea, Dorothy Zea, Roger Blair, Warm Blessings Director- Linda Funk, Frankie Basham, Tracy Basham & Sherman Coomer.

Casey Creek Lodge #536

On Friday, October 26, 2018, Casey Creek Lodge #536 F&AM presented bicycles to the first nine weeks attendance winners of Adair County Elementary School.

Eight bicycles, with helmets, were donated to the school for the 2018-2019 school year. Two bicycles will be presented each nine weeks.

Over two hundred boys and over two hundred girls were eligible for the first drawing. Ashton York won the girls bike and Bailey Bryant won the boys.

shown from L-R: Ashton York, Tony Gabehart Senior Steward, Carper Hayes Master, and Bailey Bryant.

Lyndon Lodge #960

The Masons Lyndon Lodge #960 Presented two bikes to the students of Bowen Elementary School in Lyndon for perfect attendance. A special thanks to the school staff for all their help.

Shown in photo are the recipients; brother and sister, Haruto and Aino Toriu with Principal Lisa Wathen and Asst. Principal Debbi Blakely.
At the time of this writing we are in the final stages of planning next year’s calendar. It was my hope to have our Reunions on the same weekends each year. However due to other scheduling conflicts we will not be able to follow this plan in the coming year. We will work to correct this issue in the following years.

Thank you those who assisted in preparing the calendar for next year. Your help and advice is greatly appreciated. We are making a few minor changes from this year’s events and adding in a few surprises to help keep things interesting.

Brethren, it is my intent to keep you up to date on the happenings in our Valley and Orient. Communication is one of the keys to a successful organization. Many of you are anxious for news concerning a new Deputy for the Orient of Kentucky. To date, there has been no such news from the Grand Commander or Supreme Council. They are still in the process of making their choice. Their decision will affect our Orient for years to come, and it is their desire to make certain of their choice. As has been told to me many times, “Patience is a virtue.”

Brethren we need your feedback concerning participation in the Valley of Louisville. We would like your suggestions of how we can increase your interest in attending the various activities in your Valley. What is it you are looking for in your membership in the Scottish Rite. While we understand that each person has different interests, and we cannot meet the expectations of all, we hope to hear from you on this subject to assist us in keeping the members interested in our good and great work.

There are many areas where you can become active in the Valley. The guard is in need of those who are willing to help in the various tasks around the Temple. This can be greeting members and visitors as they arrive for meetings and activities, help to serve and clean up after the family dinners, visiting with members who are in the hospital or rehab, working with the robing room during the reunions, working with the stage crew during the meetings and reunions, being involved in putting on one of the degrees either during a reunion or at a stated meeting of the Valley or just being there to visit with new members to help them feel comfortable. The list goes on from there. You just need to let us know of your interests.

We also have opportunities for you to learn about the Scottish Rite and its rituals through the Master Craftsman meetings. They are held on the last Sunday of each month at 2 p.m. in the blue room upstairs. Bro. Jim Bullis, 32°, KCCH would be glad to have you attend and participate.

It was mentioned earlier that “patience is a virtue.” Please have patience with us as we work to build programs in the Valley that are of interest to you. We also ask for your participation and assistance.

We are looking forward to our annual January 1 get together at the Temple for members and their wives. Come and receive the annual glass and stay to visit with your Brothers. We will be taking a photo of the Honors members on the stage at 2 p.m. that day.

I look forward to seeing you at our many events in the coming year.

Fraternally,

David White, 33°
Personal Representative
Valley of Louisville

2019 Membership cards are in. Notices have been mailed out. 2018 Dues were due on or before January 1, 2018. If you haven’t paid your dues please do so by making your check payable to West Kentucky Consistory, in the amount of $100.00 and mailing it to PO Box 555, Madisonville, KY. 42431. We are now taking all major credit cards. You can go online and pay your dues or call the office and Jay will be happy to take your information.

Please call the office at (270)821-5260 if you have questions or email cjrodgers@bellsouth.net. Our hours are: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. We are closed on all holidays. If your address has changed please contact our office to update your information.
Continuing the York Rite Journey

Inquiring Minds Want to Know

Have you ever wondered what the phrase “To pay the craft their wages if ought be due and to see that none go away dissatisfied” means? What about when one of our First Grand Masters was met by three dissatisfied Craftsmen? Didn’t his replies seemed strange, as we hadn’t heard of them before. Did not his answers cause you wonder what he was talking about?

My Brethren, we have all heard these peculiar phrases, questions and answers many times. But why do they say them and what do they mean? Have you ever received wages, or even seen the Senior Warden perform that part of his duty? Did not the Temple get completed? What did he mean that what they sought could only be given in the presence of others? Where did that come from, and why? Did not future generations ever find that which was “Lost”, and if so, why are we still only getting the substitute? And if our Grand Master thought the secrets of a Master Mason was important enough to sacrifice everything for, don’t you think that he would have made some provision to preserve it for those worthy Brothers who would follow him?

My Brothers, these are natural questions, or at least they should be. But where do we look for the answers? The solution of course is by seeking further Light by “Continuing your York Rite Journey” by petitioning a Chapter of Capitular Masons, a Council of Cryptic Masons and a Commandery of Knights Templars. Yes my Brethren, by continuing your journey in the York Rite. That journey which you began when you knelt at the alter of Freemasonry the first time as an Entered Apprentice.

Do you want to understand the opening dialogue of the Senior Warden, and observe him performing his job and pay wages. Want to know how the Word was “Lost”. How and where was it preserved. When and how was it re-discovered, and by whom. Why it must be communicated in the presence of three.

But you ask, how can this be? I have never heard any of this before. Surely there must be some mistake. No my friends, there is no mistake. You have only to look no further than your very own Charter hanging within your Symbolic Lodge. If it was issued prior to the 1970’s, it should say something of about Ancient York Freemasonry.

Do you want more information on this journey that you should want to continue on? Well, there are about fifty, (50) Chapters of Royal Arch Masons, about forty, (40) Councils of Royal and Select Masters Masons and more than thirty, (30) Commanderies of Knights Templars spread throughout the state. There surely is one close by to where you live.

Be Knighted this year, (from September 2018 until September 2019) and receive a patent signed by the four presiding officers and a commemorative coin designating you as a part of Grand Master Gary C. Rose’s class. Be knighted with our own Grand Master’s sword.

You have questions? Well, we have answers. These rewards, and further knowledge await you. Petition the York Rite and Continue your York Rite Journey!

Upcoming Events for December, 2018

Saturday, 12/1 - 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Knight Templar Flag Presentation at the KY National Guard Brunch - Faith Worship Center, 3160 Bloomfield Road, Bardstown, KY 40004

Tuesday, 12/4 - 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM
Louisville DeMolay Commandery #12 - Order of the Temple 1410 Gardner Lane, Louisville, KY 40213

Thursday, 12/6 - 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Shelbyville Commandery #32 - Christmas Observance Shelbyville, KY 40065

Tuesday, 12/18 - 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Louisville DeMolay Commandery #12 - Christmas Observance 1410 Gardner Lane, Louisville, KY 40213

Thursday, 12/20 - 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Frankfort Commandery #4 - Christmas Observance Frankfort, KY 40601
Kentucky’s Lady Mason, Catherine Sweet Babington, is probably responsible for the ‘lady mason’ stories found in North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Virginia, Maryland, Tennessee, and Alabama as she traveled with her husband Benjamin B. Babington, a ‘furnace man’ whose jobs took him to these states. Perhaps her obituary notice which appeared in the Shelby Aurora (Shelby, N.C.), June 28, 1886, can give a brief account of how Mrs. Babington became known as a Mason.

The obituary reads as follows: “BABINGTON. An aged and estimable lady, Mrs. Catherine (Sweet) Babington died in Shelby, on Monday evening, June 28th, 1886, and she died as she lived, a Christian. As the sun was marshaling his golden crimson and saffron hues in the West, and preparing for his departure, her sun set to arise on a fairer shore, and her soul took its flight to a land where there is no night. She was born in Kentucky, in 1815, and married in 1834, to B. B. Babington, who died ten years ago. For over a half century she was a gentle and true member of the Methodist church and frequently expressed in her last illness a willingness to die. At her death she as the only female Mason in the United States and was well versed in the mysterious workings of the Blue Lodge. Having overheard the secrets of Masonry when she was a girl of sixteen years, it was thought best to initiate her as a member and thus prevent disclosure.”

Her son, J. P. Babington wrote a biography of his mother, titled “Biography of Catherine Babington, the only Woman Mason in the World, and how she became a Blue Lodge Mason”. Both her husband and her son were Masons.

Born in Princess Furnace, Boyd County, Kentucky (now Princess, Greenup County) as a young girl, she spent much of her life living nearby at her Grandfather Benjamin Ulen’s home, where she was favored by her uncles. At least two of them were Masons. There is strong evidence that she could not be a Mason (no lodge listed near her uncle’s home) but much of this evidence can be explained away. Certainly many Masons in various states believed her story and she was incredibly knowledgeable, that at times, Masons would seek her out for Masonic advice. She is said to have instructed her husband in Masonry and used a Masonic sign which saved her and the children, when rafting out of control down the Ohio River. An in depth study will still leave you wondering!!

The Masonic Library has a rare copy of the third edition of this 64 page pamphlet. You can visit your MLMA – Covington and receive a free library card, any any Wednesday, 6:00 to 8:00 pm or for an appointment just email Bill Lorenz, Librarian:

library.covsr@outlook.com

Fort Campbell Masonic Lodge #946 with the assistance of the Band of Brothers Degree Team raised two worthy Brothers to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. Brother Michael Hough and Brother Charles Robertson.
On October 13th, Job’s Daughters, Bethel #18 hosted their first Masquerade Ball for other local bethels, the Rainbow Girls and the local DeMolay Chapters. The night was a huge success and everyone had a great time.

Vicco Lodge #929

Vicco Lodge #929 hosted their 2nd annual Trunk or Treat. Good Times were had by all. Shown in photo: left to right - Anne Jent Gary Jent Wilma Jean Reynolds Thomas Reynolds James Reynolds Sammie Kilburn and Raymond Kilburn

The girls also had an awesome dinner provided by the Louisville Scottish Rite’s very own Larry Mann 32° KCCH (center), Harold “Bubba” Johnson (on left) and Mike Massey (on right).
**Notice**

**Hazard Lodge # 676**

548 Main Street, Hazard, KY.

Will be hosting the video presentation of the **Masonic Educational Conference**

for **District 29** on Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 12:00 Noon

Come early as we hope to have refreshments of some kind.

Paul A. Johnson Jr., D.D.G.M.

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**Notice of Special Election**

**Morehead York Rite Bodies**

The necessary Special Dispensations having been received from the Grand High Priest, the Grand Illustrious Master, and the Grand Commander, at the Stated Convocation, Assembly, and Conclave of Morehead Chapter No. 168, RAM; Morehead Council No. 45, R&SM, and Morehead Commandery No. 53, KT, in the month following the publication of this notice in the **Masonic Home Journal**, special elections will be held to fill the offices of Captain of the Host in the Chapter, Captain of the Guard in the Council, and Captain General in the Commandery, together with any other elective office that may become vacant as a result of this special election.

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**Iroquois Chapter # 193**

**Sword & Trowel Council # 111**

**Jefferson Commandery # 52**

At the next stated meeting, following publication of this notice in the **Masonic Home Journal**, there will be an election for the office of Secretary / Recorder, and any other office that may become vacant. All members are urged to be present and vote.

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**Edmunds Chapter # 83**

At the next stated meeting, following publication of this notice in the **Masonic Home Journal**, there will be an election for the office of High Priest, and any other office that may become vacant. All members are urged to be present and vote.

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**Tompkinsville Lodge # 753**

At the next stated meeting, following publication of this notice in the **Masonic Home Journal**, (December 11, 2018), we will hold our annual election of Officers. All members are urged to be present and vote.

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**Blue Lick Lodge No. 495**

On Saturday, January 26, 2019, Blue Lick Lodge No. 495 will meet to discuss amending its By-Laws, to increase Dues to $85.00 per year. All Brothers are urged to attend.

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**William O. Ware Lodge of Research**

**Wm. O Ware Lodge to Hold Panel Discussion**

M.W. Brother William O. Ware was installed Grand Master of Kentucky in October, 1957. He then posed three questions to the Craft:

1. What is Freemasonry?
2. What does Freemasonry mean to me?
3. What do I mean to Freemasonry?

A ‘panel discussion’ on the above thought provoking subjects will take place on Wednesday, January 30, at M.W. Brother Ware’s namesake Lodge of Research, 1553 Madison Avenue, Covington, Ky. (Covington Scottish Rite Temple).

Panelists include: John D. Cissell, Grand Jr. Deacon; Eddie Hazelett, Past Master of Ted Adams Lodge of Research; and Cameron Poe, Chairman of the Rubicon Masonic Society. Audience participation is invited. Brother Tom Nitschke, Sr. Warden, will serve as moderator for the event.

Dinner will be served at 6:15 PM with the program to follow. Proper attire is required. Dinner is $ 10.00 per person. For reservations, please contact Lodge Master Dan Kemble, at DKemble@fbtlaw.com

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**Resolution of Respect**

**Kenneth Ross Allen**

New Salem Lodge No. 462, F&AM

Franklin, Kentucky

In memory of Brother Kenneth Ross Allen who was Raised a Master Mason on July 2, 2004.

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

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

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

RESOLVED, that New Salem Lodge No. 462 F.&A.M. GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY, in testimony of her loss, be draped in mourning for thirty days and that we tender to the family of our deceased brother, our sincere condolence in their deep affliction, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family.

Alan Gass, Master
Larry Chaney, Secretary
Kosair Shrine Club
4120 Bardstown Road
Louisville, KY 40218

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