Master of Salyersville Lodge #769
Tyler Holbrook presenting Brother Melvin Harvey his 50 year pin
Greetings my Brothers!

April is here, and as we enjoy the changing of the seasons, I am so happy to see many of you at our District Meetings. One of the most enjoyable aspects about our Fraternity is the ability to fellowship and spend time with our brothers, renewing old friendships and making new ones.

This month, I want to discuss the importance of the Ashlars. As an artist, I was asked how I knew what to draw on my sketchpad. My response was that the drawing was already there, that I had just put pencil or ink to it so everyone else could see and enjoy it as I do. That premise is based on the idea that there is always something wonderful in each of us, waiting to be seen by others. All we have to do is allow others to see it in our actions, deeds, and behavior. Like the rough Ashlar, we enter this world in a rudimentary state, being influenced and driven by our surroundings. Growing to adulthood, we have a lifetime of experiences that form our beliefs and our behavior, thus making us like the rough Ashlar that was formed by the elements and the geography from whence it came. Like the rough Ashlar, we are formed and shaped by things around us and things we choose to surround ourselves with. If we are surrounded by negative things, it will show in our conduct, behavior, and appearances. By surrounding ourselves with positives such as like-minded people, a positive environment, and positive influences, we have a tendency to exude the positive aspects we have absorbed; we become more like the perfect ashlar. Freemasonry teaches us to break off those rough edges, and divest ourselves of the things that keep us from being the best versions of ourselves. We strive every day to be better men. Through the encouragement of our families and our brothers, we continue through our character, conduct and commitment to improve in our behavior, our standards, and in our influence.

We are taught that the Rough Ashlar “is a stone as taken from the quarry in its rude and natural state”. The Rough Ashlar was not a stone that was merely picked up somewhere. It was a stone that has been selected. Some work was done upon it. It was apparently a good stone. It was a stone that showed good prospects of being capable of being made into a Perfect Ashlar. If it had not been a good stone, it would never have been cut out from the quarry. I want to emphasize that each of you are in this Fraternity for a reason. We choose to stand apart from the rest of society because of who we are and what we stand for. Each of us are being shaped by our friendships, our fellowship and our tenets. You all represent that Ashlar, constantly breaking off the rough edges and forming into something useful and important. I am so proud to know each of you, and I know that you have the ability to be the best versions of yourselves. Not everyone will become that perfect Ashlar, but the essential thing is to have a good material upon which to work. May the great Architect bless you and I look forward to seeing you in my future travels.

Fraternally Thine,
James H. Gibson
Grand Master
Grand Lodge of Kentucky F&AM
Calling All Golfers – Masonic Homes Kentucky Hosting Two Charity Golf Outings

Louisville, KY (March 4, 2022) – For the first time, Masonic Homes Kentucky will be hosting two charity golf events. Our annual Sproutlings Golf Scramble will be held on Monday, June 6 at Valhalla Golf Club to benefit Sproutlings Pediatric Day Care & Preschool at Kosair Charities Center. New this year, we are hosting the 1st Inaugural Jim Johnson Golf Classic at Olde Stone in Bowling Green, Kentucky to benefit Masonicare.

Sproutlings Golf Scramble

Returning to Valhalla Golf Club, the 2022 Sproutlings Golf Scramble starts with registration and lunch at 10 am. Golfers will tee off at noon with an awards reception held immediately following the scramble. The event, which was started by Chris Stout, PGM and his wife, Cindy, is going into its 9th year.

All proceeds support Sproutlings Pediatric Day Care & Preschool at Kosair Charities Center which provides an exceptional place for kids to grow, with spaces for both medically fragile and traditional children. Our unique approach begins with our designation as a referral-based Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care (PPEC) center for medically fragile children. It continues with our integration of traditional daycare services for children without special needs.

Jim Johnson Golf Classic

Masonic will be holding its inaugural Jim Johnson Golf Classic in Bowling Green on Monday, Sept. 19 at The Club at Olde Stone to benefit Masonicare, a program that provides charitable care and housing to those who are unable to fully pay for their care while residing at Masonic. Participants must also meet specific requirements. Masonic incurs more than $4 million annually through Masonicare and other subsidized care. Residents supported through Masonicare reside at both our Louisville and Shelbyville Campuses.

The Golf Classic includes a VIP dinner and auction on Sunday, Sept. 18 and golfing and awards reception on Monday, Sept. 19. Olde Stone was designed by internationally acclaimed architect Arthur Hills. The course includes a newly added Zeon Zoysia fairways and classic bentgrass greens are dotted with 99 bunkers.

Pebble Beach Golf Raffle

This year, we are selling raffle tickets for a chance to play at America’s #1 public golf course, Pebble Beach Golf Links. The package includes:

- One round of golf including cart at Pebble Beach Golf Links for two players
- Two-night garden view stay at The Inn at Spanish Bay for two
- Two-night stay at the Hyatt Regency Monterey for two
- $200 Budget car voucher

Tickets are $100 each, and only 155 tickets will be sold. Purchase your ticket early for this amazing golfer’s dream trip. For more information on Masonic’s golf events, visit bidpal.net/masonicgolf2022 or call 502.259.9627.

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About Masonic Homes Kentucky

Founded in 1867, Masonic Homes Kentucky’s aging care services include independent living, assisted living, personal care, rehabilitation therapies, memory care, skilled nursing care, home care, dialysis, medical clinic and child development. Its campuses are located in Louisville, Shelbyville and Northern Kentucky. For more information, visit www.masonichomesky.com.
RESOLUTION OF RESPECT

J. C. STINE
Emulation Lodge No. 688, F.&A.M.

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

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

WHEREAS, He having been a true and faithful brother of our Order, therefore be it;

RESOLVED, That Emulation Lodge No. 688, F. &A.M. 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.

LANCE HAMILTON, MASTER
DAVID SCRUGHAM, SECRETARY
Past Grand Master Wilson K. Wilder presented a donation on behalf of Amity Lodge No. 40 to a representative of the Bourbon County School Pack Back Program.

Officers of Ft. Thomas #808 for 2022. Front Row: Left to right: Bruce Harry, Installing Officer; Paul Lursen, Treasurer; Branden Ward, SW; Dave Arthur, WM; Bob Bradford, JW; David Boaz, JD; Jeff Rath, Installing Marshall. Back Row: Left to right: Jeff Queen, Chaplain; Ed Harber, Secretary; Dale Arthur, Tiler

Winchester Lodge #20, 2022 officers: Front row: Gary L. Adams, SD; Carl W. Gibson, Orator; Donald L. Powell, Chaplain; Roi A. Mayes, JD; Jubal C. Arledge, Tyler; John T. Bunch, Treasurer. Second row: Michael C. Wiley, JS; Louis H. Prater, Secretary; Lloyd D. Abner, Marshall; Eric J. Carpenter, SS. Back row: Douglas W. Johnson, SW; Terry G. Moore, WM; Aric S. Porter, JW.

Brothers from McKee Lodge, No. 144 replaced hot water heaters for Good Samaritan House.

Grand Lodge of Kentucky
Masonic Care Car Show

Saturday, July 23, 2022
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Masonic Homes of Kentucky
3700 Frankfort Ave., Louisville, KY 40207

All proceeds go to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Masonic Care Program

Awards Top 50 & Grand Masters Choice
$20 Donation to Register, Pre Registration ends July 8th

Make checks payable to:
Grand Lodge of Kentucky
(Masonic Care Program)

Mail checks and entries to:
Grand Lodge of Kentucky
Attention Stephen Logsdon
1620 Commonwealth Drive
Louisville, KY 40299

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Sign:
Date:

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GARY C. ROSE, PGM

Brother Rose entered upon eternal rest Monday, October 18, 2021.

Most Worshipful Brother Rose was the son of the late Robert Clinton Rose and Wilma Clay Cecil Rose. Brother Rose was born January 5, 1948. He attended Hazel Green Academy system and graduated from there. He attended the University of Kentucky. He also attended the University of North Dakota with a master’s degree in public administration. Returned to the University of Kentucky and graduated from College of Law in 1977. Brother Rose served his country for over five years in the United States Air Force. Brother Rose served his community and the Commonwealth as Assistant Commonwealth Attorney, Assistant Wolfe County Attorney. Brother Rose secured funding for the Hazel Green Volunteer Fire Department were he volunteered for fifteen years.

Brother Rose was blessed with three children Julie Rose Rogers, Amy Rose Terry, and Staci Rose. He was a grandfather to Gary Grant Rogers, Conner Ray Rogers, and Roy Isaac Terry and Loving companion Oletta Dunn. Her children DeEdra Lindon, Jonathon Terrill and her grandchildren Sierra Faulkner, Dakota Rose, Jayla Lindon, Ryder Lindon, Izbella Terrill, and Kennedy Terrill.

Masonic Record
Brother Rose received his Degrees in Mizpah Lodge No. 507
EA on June 7, 1969
FC on July 6, 1969
MM on August 2, 1969


He was also a member of Cox Lodge No. 464 and served as Master in 2013.

Grand Lodge Record

Brother Rose was elected and installed as Grand Junior Warden in October 2015, and, subsequently, elected to the offices of Grand Senior Warden October 2016, and Deputy Grand Master October, 2017. He was elected and installed as the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M. at the Two Hundred Nineteenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky October 2018.


Other Masonic Affiliations:

Scottish Rite:
• Orient of North Dakota
• Valley of Lexington
• Decorated Knight Commander Court of Honor (KCCH)

York Rite:
• Morehead Chapter No. 168 R.A.M.
• Morehead Council No.45 R.& S.M.
• Morehead Commandery No. 53
• Awarded Knight Mason Highland Council 104
• Highland York Rite College No. 134

Shrine:
• Oleika Shrine Lexington, KY

Eastern Star:
• Paulina Chapter West Liberty, Ky.

Brother Rose was a member William O Ware and Marlin White Lodges of Research.

Most Worshipful Brother Gary Clinton Rose was an active and dedicated Freemason and a true Lover of the Fraternity.

There’s never an hour in the day,
When there’s not a need,
for a word of love and Kindness,
for a generous and thoughtful deed.
THE CRAFT AT WORK

HERMAN M. FORRESTER, JR., PGM

Brother Forrester entered upon eternal rest Friday, August 6, 2021.

Most Worshipful Brother Forrester was the son of the late Herman M. Forrester Sr. and Ramona Thurman. Brother Herman was born May 26, 1949. He attended Warren County School system and graduated from Warren County High School. He attended the University of Western Kentucky in 1968. He worked for the US Postal service for 36 years.

Brother Forrester was a member of Hillvue Heights Church, where he served as Greeter and Lord Supper Committee.

Brother Forrester married Patty L. Downs on May 3, 1978 in Springfield Tennessee. They were blessed with three children Jim, Gabe and Jake. He was a Grandfather to six grandchildren Kennedy, Knox, Ivy Blair, Tripp, Caroline and Maude.

Masonic Record:
EA on December 7, 1971
FC on January 25, 1972
MM on February 8, 1972

Brother Forrester severed as Master of Gasper River Lodge No. 391 in 1976. Joined Bowling Green Lodge No. 73 in 1978 where he served as Secretary for eight years.

Grand Lodge Record
Brother Forrester was elected and installed as Grand Junior Warden in October 2005, and, subsequently, elected to the offices of


Brother Forrester served District Deputy Grand Master District No. 12, 1979 – 1980.
Chairman Committee on By Laws 1980-1981
Committee of Fraternal Relations

Other Masonic Affiliations:
Scottish Rite:
• Western Kentucky Consistory
• Decorated Knight Commander Court of Honor (KCCH) November 1987
• Coronated an Inspector General Honorary of the 33rd Degree November 1999
• Royal Order of Scotland

York Rite:
• Bowling Green Chapter No. 38 R.A.M.
• Bowling Green Council No. 74 R.& S.M.
• M.I. Grand Master Grand Council of Kentucky R.&S.M. 1990-91
• K.Y.C.H. Prior No. 25
• Knight Masons Kentucky Council No. 71
• H.R.A.K.T.P. Centurion Tabernacle No. LXXVI K.C. 2005
• Red Cross of Constantine St. Bernard
• York Rite College No. 157 West Kentucky Charter Member
• Allied Masonic Degrees
• Bowling Green Commandery No.23 K.T.

Shrine:
• Rizaph Shrine, Madisonville, Kentucky
• Potentate 1981
• S.E.S.A. Ambassador
• Past Director Western Kentucky Court No. 171 R.O.J.

Brother Forrester was a Life member of the Society of Past Masters of Southern Kentucky. He received the Legion of Honor DeMolay International. A member of the National Sojourners and Priory of Zion. He was also a member of Odd Fellows Lodge No. 51 IOOF and American Legion Post No.23.

Brother Forrester served his Country in the United States Air Force with the 821st C.S.P.S. Ranger 82nd. He served as an Advisor to South Vietnamese Troops in the Central Highlands, Republic of Vietnam.

Most Worshipful Brother Herman M. Forrester Jr. was an active and dedicated Freemason and a true Lover of the Fraternity.

He lived each day complete
According to the Infinite plan
Doing deeds of kindness
And Loving his fellow man
Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite - Orient of Kentucky

Brethren,

We are so Blessed to live in the United States of America. With all the issues we hear and read about happening around the world, there is no better place as our Country. Are we perfect, no we are not, there are problems that need to be addressed. But with our faith in All Mighty GOD, we and our Country will prevail.

What our Country needs more of, is us. This Country was founded on Masonic Principles and the Tenets of our Order. I am so proud, as I know you are, of being a member of a Fraternity who’s character and qualities make us stand above the rest.

Brothers, let us wear our Masonic Heritage on the inside and outside. Do what is right for our fellow man and his family. Let’s show the world what true men are!

Please keep your Brothers and their Families and our Country in your thoughts and prayers. Take care and MAY GOD BLESS!

Yours in the Faith,
Terry L. Bowman, PGM, 33°
SGIG, Orient of Kentucky

Brothers,

In this article of the Masonic Home Journal, I want to share an experience I had last year at the Valley of Louisville during Honors weekend. It encourages me as a Mason to strive to grow and be a man of good character.

Illustrious Sir Bob Bradley, 33° has been an active brother in the masonic fraternity for many years. However, like some of the brothers he suffers from failing health recently and has not always been able to attend meetings. After his nomination and election to receive his 33°, discussion arose about conferring the work upon Bob in a private ceremony because of concerns he wouldn’t be able to make the journey to Louisville, or if he would live long enough to receive the degree. Several brothers were willing to do whatever needed to be done to make sure this conferral was possible. When I approached Bob with the idea, allowing him an easier path, he declined saying, “I think I can make it.” Each month I would check on him to see how he was doing, and he stayed the course.

When the day of the Conferral finally arrived, Bob was in attendance. Usually, after the class receives their Honors, a picture is taken of each individual downstairs in the basement. Bob was in his wheelchair, and someone came to tell me he was really feeling bad and would have to leave soon. Fortunately, Illustrious Sir Edward “Doc” Anderson, 33° was present. Doc borrowed the photographer’s camera and took Bob’s picture. I said to Bob, “you know you didn’t have to put yourself through all of this today; we would have gladly come to you.” Bob replied, “It was enough of an honor being nominated by my brothers that thought I was worthy, the least I could do was show up.”

Now that will preach, Brothers. I was instantly humbled being in his presence. I would guess he rode 6 hours or more that day, and I can only imagine the pain he endured. Sometimes after working all day I don’t feel like going to a meeting because I’m tired. I won’t ever complain again.

May God bless you with health and prosperity,
Douglas W. Bunch, 32° KCCH Personal Representative
Western Kentucky Scottish Rite, Valley of Madisonville

RESERVATION FORM for BROTHER BRENT MORRIS

Friday, June 24th

CONTACT NAME _______________________________________ ORGANIZATION ____________________________
EMAIL _______________________________________________ CELL PHONE________________________________

_______Table(s) of 8 @ $300.00 each (includes 4 books by Brother Morris, per table)     $_______
_______ Table(s) of 6 @ $225.00 each (includes 3 books by Brother Morris per table)  $_______
_______ Individual Masons Seating @ $50.00 each (includes a Brother Morris book)  $_______
Individual seating for ____ ladies and ____non-masons @ $25.00each  $_______
_______Extra books $ 20.00 each                   $_______

TOTAL AMOUNT: Check enclosed $__________________________ (Payable to Covington Scottish Rite)

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED FORM BY JUNE 10th
WITH TOTAL CHECK AMOUNT TO:
Att: RON ALLARI, TREASURER
c/o Covington Scottish Rite, 1553 Madison Avenue, Covington, Ky. 41011. Make sure your contact information is correct.
Masonic Library to Expand! S. Brent Morris will be the special Guest Speaker for the Covington Masonic Library Fund - Raising Dinner Friday, June 24 (St. John’s Day). The event will also feature a very nice catered dinner and a book signing afterwards. Costs for the 6:00 pm Dinner and program will be $50.00 for Masons and does include one of Brent’s popular books. Ladies and non-masons cost will be $25.00 for the dinner. This is a wonderful opportunity to present Masonry to that Son, Grandson or neighbor and their ladies.

“Limited” Premium seating (8 per table) is available for your Lodge, Club or family and can be purchased for $300.00. This will include 4 books per table by Brent Morris. Extra books can be purchased for $20.00 each, at the time of reservations or at the Dinner. Although not confirmed at this writing (a new edition is being printed) we expect to have two books: “A Radical in the East” and “Why 33? Searching for Masonic Origins”, available at the dinner. Both books are a series of his lectures and YES! Brother Morris will be happy to sign your book.

Excellent seating for tables of six ($225.00 and includes 3 books) will be directly in back of the Premium seats with Individual seating immediately behind. All seating will be by reservation only, on a first come first serve basis.

As you may be aware, S. Brent Morris 33° is an exceptional author, and is considered one of the top speakers in the country. He is the only American to head the world’s premier Masonic research lodge Quatuor Coronati in London, England. Brother Morris is the former editor for the “Heredom” Book Club, and recently retired after 25 years as editor of the Scottish Rite Journal. Brother Brent is a recipient of the prestigious Grand Cross of Honour and author of many Masonic books and lectures, including the highly regarded “The Complete Idiot’s Guide to Freemasonry” (now out of print). He has taught at Duke, John Hopkins and George Washington Universities and has received numerous awards for his lectures and writings.

We are so very fortunate to have Brother Brent join with us in our efforts to raise the needed $$$ for the Covington Masonic Library expansion. Preserving Masonry for future generations is what we do. Come spend an evening with us on St. John’s Day. You will be glad you did.

For reservations, please send your request for tables and/or individual seating, along with proper dollar amount enclosed to: Ron Allari - Treasurer, Masonic Library, 1553 Madison Ave., Covington, KY 41011. Please include your contact information and make checks payable to Covington Scottish Rite. Your questions or concerns can be submitted to Bill Lorenz, Librarian. library.covsr@outlook.com

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Greetings my brothers all,

I am pleased to announce that the Spring/Summer Class in honor of Illustrious Garry Lee Terry 33° which began on March 5, 2022 and will conclude in June, was off to an amazing start. Those degrees conferred by the Lodge of Perfection were done with enthusiasm, dedication, and commitment, leaving everyone in attendance with positive, meaningful, and inspirational lessons of Freemasonry. The degrees that were communicated in the Lodge of Perfection and Chapter of Rose Croix were conveyed by Brother Jim Reichert, Class Director. Brother Reichert is always willing to devote his time and efforts to teach the lessons of Freemasonry. We encourage you to come to our meetings as this class progresses to witness outstanding ritual work and to support our newest members.

The Valley of Louisville was once again well represented at the annual Kids Center Champions Breakfast held at Churchill Downs Kentucky Derby Museum on February 16, 2022. This is an annual event to raise money to help treat children in our community that need physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech therapy.

Recently, I have visited several of our Scottish Rite Clubs who are actively holding fundraisers to promote charitable causes in our local communities. Bullitt County Scottish Rite Club is in preparation for their annual student recognition program for special needs children. They also are having their annual Road Rally & Fun Run on May 14, 2022. Our Scottish Rite Clubs are working hard to make a positive difference in our communities. Please support our Scottish Rite Clubs.

I hope to see you soon. Be that Mason that continues to teach the lessons of Freemasonry and exemplify them in our everyday lives!

Fraternally thine,

Geary F. Laird, PGM, 32° KCCH
Personal Representative
Valley of Louisville

Photo taken at the Annual Kids Center Champions Breakfast on February 16, 2022. The list of names are as follows from left to right: Randolph Starks, Secretary/Registrar; Geary Laird, Personal Representative; Terry Bowman, SGIG Orient of Kentucky; Brittany Luhe, Executive Director of Kids Center for Pediatric Therapies; James Brown, President of the Louisville Scottish Rite Foundation; Rick Laird, Louisville Scottish Rite Foundation Board Member
Greetings to all Brethren from the Valley of Covington!

I’d like to “Share” a post that I picked up from Facebook from Brother Joseph Thibodeaux from Louisiana (what a great Cajun name!). Perhaps you may have seen it too. It just seemed like a poignant reminder that in 2022 we don’t become guilty ourselves of the following (of which I myself certainly am)...

THE COFFIN

A new Worshipful Master in a small town spent the first four days making personal visits to each of the members, inviting them to come to his first Lodge meeting.

The following Thursday the Lodge was all but empty. Accordingly, the Worshipful Master placed a notice in the local newspapers, stating that, because the Lodge was dead, it was everyone’s duty to give it a decent Masonic burial.

The funeral would be held the following Monday afternoon, the notice said.

Morbidly curious, a large crowd turned out for the “funeral.” In front of the Altar, they saw a closed coffin, smothered in flowers.

After the Chaplain delivered the eulogy, he opened the coffin and invited his Brethren to come forward and pay their final respects to their dead Lodge.

Filled with curiosity as to what would represent the corpse of a “dead Lodge,” all the Brethren eagerly lined up to look in the coffin.

Each “mourner” peeped into the coffin then quickly turned away with a guilty, sheepish look. In the coffin, tilted at the correct angle, was a large mirror.

Remember the obligation we all took.

Attend and support your Lodge.

I wish you all safe travels, and please stay healthy.

Rob Smith
Personal Representative
Valley of Covington

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, SJ, to improve its members and enhance the communities in which they live by teaching and emulating the principles of Brotherly Love, Tolerance, Charity, and Truth, while actively embracing high social, moral, and spiritual values, including fellowship, compassion, and dedication to God, family, and country.
COLUMBIA LODGE #96
Columbia Lodge #96 will vote to amend its by-laws Thirty (30) days after this notice appears in the Masonic Home Journal. All members are urged to attend.

WHEELWRIGHT LODGE #889
At the first stated communication in the month following publication of this notice in the Masonic Home Journal, Wheelwright Lodge 889 F&AM will be voting to amend its By-Laws and Dues amount. All brothers are urged to attend.

JEFFERSTOWN LODGE #774
Jeffersonville Lodge #774 at the Second Communication of the month following publication in the Masonic Home Journal Jeffersonville Lodge #774 will be voting to amend its By-Laws. All Members are urged to attend.

BY-LAW NOTICES

Lodge Articles and Submissions
To Be Included in the
Masonic Home Journal
Are Due by the 5th of the Preceding Month

Email your submissions to:
masonichomejournal@grandlodgeofkentucky.org

Call the Grand Lodge Office
502-893-0192
For additional information

Veterans Corner

April 5, 2022 - Gold Star Spouses Day
A day set aside to recognize the sacrifices of Gold Star families and spouses.

The Gold Star family is one that has experienced a loss of a loved one—an immediate family member who died as the result of military service. Those left behind are recognized as Gold Star families.

Reserve Birthdays

14 April Air Force Reserve Birthday

23 April Army Reserve Birthday

April is the Month of the Military Child
An opportunity to recognize military children and youth for their heroism, character, courage, sacrifices and continued resilience.

April 30, 2022 - National Military Brats Day

Directory Listings in the Masonic Home Journal are available only $45 per year.
Call 502-893-0192 for additional information
LODGES IN WHITLEY COUNTY FORM PARTNERSHIP WITH RETIRED TEACHERS TO MEET STUDENT NEEDS

Williamsburg Lodge No. 490 (Williamsburg) and Hugh Harris Lodge No. 938 (Corbin) recently partnered with the Whitley Area Retired Teachers Association (WARTA) to assist the Resource Centers in the Whitley County, Corbin and Williamsburg School Systems. One of the ways that WARTA’s members continue to support the schools where they spent their working careers is by donating classroom supplies through the Family Resource Centers at the 8 elementary schools in the Corbin, Whitley County, and Williamsburg School Districts. With COVID, the group opted to simply write a check to 4 of the Resource Centers each year so that resource center directors could purchase what they needed to best meet the needs of their students.

Hearing of this program, and realizing that lodge contributions to the Family Resource Centers were targeted to the same population of students, Williamsburg Lodge Secretary Randall Partin and Treasurer Larry Carte contacted WARTA leadership to discuss combining forces to increase the effectiveness of both groups. Receiving a positive response, contact was made with Hugh Harris Master Jason Curry to invite their participation in the proposed partnership. From these discussions came about an agreement that the two lodges, together with the Williamsburg York Rite bodies, would match WARTA’s contribution. Through this partnership, the Resource Centers in all 8 elementary schools in the 3 school districts will receive funding this year.

WARTA Vice President Alice Fae Weiland may have summed up this new partnership best when she said, “This is an excellent idea and I’m excited to be part of it!”

Pictured presenting checks from their respective lodges to WARTA Treasurer David Higginbotham are, far right, Charles Cooper, Master of Williamsburg Lodge and center, Jason Curry, Master of Hugh Harris Lodge. Also representing WARTA are far left, Vice President Alice Fae Weiland, and 2nd from left, WARTA President Ronnie Partin.