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*ME Companion Wendall L. Trent
Grand High Priest Message*

Greetings fellow Companions;

Well the year is off and counting down so don't hesitate to be the best Mason we can be or are able to be. Remember everyone should set a goal to be a better person and in every way of life each and every day Better than yesterday.

The Paintsville and Glasgow festivals were a great success looking forward to Paducah on July 22nd

Fraternally Thine,

Wendall L. Trent

Grand High Priest, 2016-2017

Grand High Priest Itinerary March 2017

Weather permitting, my itinerary is:

- 03/10-11/2017 East central regional conference in Lexington, KY.
- 03/14/2017 Cynthiana Chapter #17
- 03/15/2017 Maysville Chapter #09
- 03/16/2017 Lexington Scottish rite
- 03/20/2017 Grand York rite of Tennessee
- 03/21/2017 Morehead York rite bodies
- 03/24/2017 Covington #35
- 03/28/2017 Morehead Lodge #654
- 03/30/2017 Order of Amaranth in Louisville
- 03/31/2017 Morehead Scottish rite club

UPCOMING EVENTS

Area Meetings 2016-2017

Hosting Chapter will Open and Close

Area 1 (1, 2, 3)

04/15/2017 @ 10:00 AM

Bowling Green Chapter

1601 Western Avenue

Bowling Green, KY 42104

Area2 (4, 5 & 6)

04/08/2017 @ 10:00 AM

Danville Lodge

400 N. 4th Street

Danville, KY 40422

Area 3 (7A, 7B, 8A, 8B &9A,9B)

04/22/2017 @ 10:00 AM

Morehead Lodge 746 W, Main street

Morehead, KY 40351



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All State Chapter DAY

On JUNE the 10th at Morehead Lodge Located at 746 W. Main Street, Suite 2, Morehead, KY 40351 starting at 9AM Sharp Morehead Chapter #168 will be conferring the four Chapter degrees in an All State Chapter DAY so have any Candidates bring them to Morehead and the work will be done

Grand Chapter History

As many of you may know, we are currently compiling the Grand Chapter of Kentucky History for publication during the General Grand Convocation this year.

Any chapter or companion that wishes to contribution any information or highlights of your chapter, please have the information to me by the end of January 2017.

We will make every effort to include as much history as possible from Kentucky and individual chapters that will highlight Kentucky on a national and international level. *Editor.*

AN EXPERIENCE TO REMEMBER

**By
Howard Coop**

On Thursday, October 26, 1972, I experienced a never to be forgotten moment. It, indeed, was awesome. After entering the Dome of the Rock, the third most important mosque in the world that occupies the site of King Solomon's temple in Jerusalem, we were, without a doubt, in a historic place.

After descending to an area below the main floor of the mosque, we looked at a massive rock that gives

the mosque its name, but that rock is much more than a big chunk of stone for which a magnificent building is named.

That massive stone is the stone in the land of Moriah upon which Abraham, a man who lived about four thousand years ago, prepared to offer his only son, Isaac, as a sacrifice to God. Also, that massive rock is, according to tradition, the threshing floor of Araunah, the Jebusite, which David, about three thousand years ago, purchased for fifty shekels of silver, or about \$40.00, as the site on which to build an altar to the Lord. During the reign of Solomon, who ruled from 962 to 922 B.C. in the "Golden Age of Hebrew history," a magnificent temple, the first in Jewish history, was built over the large rock.

Across the years, many traditions have developed and many stories have been told about the massive rock. The Jews consider Jerusalem to be the center of the universe and believe that rock is the foundation stone of that center. It is also believed that on the final judgment day, the throne of God will be placed there and all humanity, past and present, will gather in the Valley of Jehoshaphat before it. Moslems, too, hold that massive rock in awe. They believe that Mohammed rode his horse, Lightning, from Medina to Jerusalem, a distance of at least 500 miles, in one night and ascended to heaven from the rock leaving his footprint upon it.

To stand beneath that massive boulder and listen to the history and legend connected with it is an awesome experience to remember.

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