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## Companions

I bring you greetings from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky. Each year on the last Monday in May we celebrate Memorial Day. Memorial Day was started after the civil war. It started out as a day to remember the Confederate Soldiers who had died in the civil war. Over the years it has since evolved into a day to remember and honor all of our Military who have paid the ultimate sacrifice serving this great country. Because of their willingness to serve and pay the ultimate sacrifice we are able to enjoy the freedoms we have today.

Because they were willing we enjoy the freedoms that they paid for with their lives, here are just a few of the

freedoms that we enjoy each and every day.

- Free Speech
- How we Worship God
- Freedom
- The right to Vote
- The right to Bear Arms
- Equal Rights
- The right to a Fair Trial

These are just a few of the freedoms that many of us take for granted each day. Even being able to meet together as Masons is a freedom that they paid for. I asked that each Chapter in their May Meeting take the time to gather around the altar and give thanks and remember all of those that have paid that ultimate price for each of us and for the generations to come. Tell the veterans in our Chapters and our communities' thank you for all that they have given up to serve and protect our great nation so we can be free.

Fraternally Thine,

Grand High Priest



## **Grand High Priest April Itinerary**

*May 1<sup>st</sup> Franklin Lodge #28*

*May 3<sup>rd</sup> Franklin Lodge # 28 Breakfast*

May 5<sup>th</sup> Davies Chapter #29

May 8<sup>th</sup> W R Selby SR. Chapter #4

May 12<sup>th</sup> Pikeville Chapter # 133

May 17<sup>th</sup> Bluegrass York Rite College #104

May 17<sup>th</sup> C.D. Ward Lodge #961

May 22<sup>nd</sup> Beaver Dam Chapter # 144

May 27<sup>th</sup> Harlan Chapter # 165

*\*Due to some health issues if the weather is bad I will re-schedule at a later date.*

### ***Royal Arch Research Assistance Event***

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Mason's of Kentucky will be hosting a dinner as a fund raiser for the Royal Arch Research Assistance. Tickets will be \$20.00 per person and all proceeds will to RARA, an organization that funds research for Central Auditory Processing Disorder (CAPD). This a hearing disability that impacts the brain's ability to filter and interpret sounds. CAPD is thought to affect approximately 5% of school age children. RARA supports three research efforts to aid in research and treatment of CAPD, which was seriously underfunded. RARA supports research at the University of Connecticut Auditory Research Program, the Hearing Health Foundations and the Autism Speaks specifically their Toddlers Program which focus on infants of 12 to 36 Months. Royal Arch Masons are committed to support the efforts of funding this research as they have done for the past 30 years. Please join us on June 21, at Grow Hall located on the campus of Kentucky School for the Deaf in Danville, Kentucky to support this worth event. This event is open to the Pubic. Please contact us if you wish to purchase tickets or make a donation to this worthy cause. Your donations are tax deductible.

***To purchase tickets, contact— Grand Secretary-Recorder***

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***A copy of the Flyer is contained in the last page of this edition of the Keystone, Please print and share with anyone who would wish to attend.***

### **SUPEREXCELLENT MASTER CONFERRAL**

After several years without a conferral, our Most Illustrious Grand Master, Raleigh C. Foster, with the assistance of Louisville Council Ill. Master Ralph Lawson, has agreed to act as director to confer this special degree sometime this summer. A date will be announced later, but those who have parts and would like to perform again should contact Raleigh or Ralph. This likely will be scheduled at the Scottish Rite Auditorium for the benefit of using the stage. If proper arrangements can be made, September 6 is being considered as a lead in to the annual York Rite sessions. Dinner would be served with the degree to follow at 6 P.M.

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### **GRAND YORK RITE ANNUAL SESSION**

It's not a bit too soon for all of our members still in the work force to plan ahead to get free for the annual conclave on September 7-10.

We will be meeting at Holiday Inn on Hurstbourne in Louisville and will use the familiar format with Commandery on Sunday and Monday, Council on Tuesday and Chapter on Wednesday.

Chairman J. William Riggs has secured a reasonable rate for all and this includes two breakfasts per room per day. Room rental is the feature that provides free meeting room.



## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE KENTUCKY KEYSTONE

### ARTICLES

If you would like to have an article about your Chapter event published, please contact us through the Web site at: [www.kykeystone.info](http://www.kykeystone.info). The Kentucky Keystone reserves the right to exclude content and edit any article submitted, as to better serve the needs of this publication. All submitted articles become the sole property of The Kentucky Keystone.

### PHOTOGRAPHS

We will publish photographs with articles and/or caption as such is submitted and deemed appropriate. All photographs become the property of the Kentucky Keystone. We will accept and prefer digital images, (JPEG). We will publish print photographs, if submitted. If you want your printed photographs returned, please include your name and address on the back of the photograph.

### MAILING LIST

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## Editorial-Combined Newsletter

Editor-Kentucky Keystone

Sir Knights/ Companions,

*After much discussions and thought the Grand Bodies have decided to offer the Kentucky Keystone as a media outlet for all three of the Grand York Rite Bodies in Kentucky, not just the Chapter. As such this is the second combined newsletter that features information from all three bodies.*

*I am in hopes that all future editions will be filled with information on all bodies. Your contributions and photographs are welcome. With the Keystone being more advanced and in an electronic format, we should each take this chance to use this form of media to promote our bodies. Technology is here to stay, and we must use what we have to preserve our Craft for future generations. We need media, we need to show the public we are active in communities, this will generate interest in which we are, and will lead to a increase in those who want to join us. It is hard to get people to join something that they know nothing about. Public awareness, I believe is the key to the future growth of our Bodies.*

*Please review and respond with any suggestions, recommendations, corrections or deletions you wish, also any information that you would want to be included. Should any of you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.*

*Fraternally, Zealously, Courteously,*

*Michael R. Grigsby*

**Editor-Kentucky Keystone**

# ROYAL ARCH RESEARCH ASSISTANCE



## ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF KENTUCKY

### *Royal Arch Research Assistance Event*

June 21, 2014 — 6:00 PM EST

Tickets are \$20.00 each with all proceeds going to Royal Arch Research Assistance  
Dress is Casual, Royal Arch Masons are encouraged to wear Red Jackets, if possible

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