



**ME Companion Thomas Bustle
Grand High Priest Message**

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Companions,

Thank you for allowing me the honor to serve as your Grand High Priest for the ensuing year. I will work hard to earn the trust you have given me to serve this Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky.

I would like to thank everyone for being willing to serve as Grand line Officers both elected and appointed. Also to everyone who agreed to serve as Deputy Grand High Priest for your areas for the upcoming year. I hope each of you get as much enjoyment out of serving

Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky as I have over the years.

This year I got two areas I would like for us to focus on and I will be talking to you about at our chapter meetings this year. First of all I would like for the chapters to focus on education as I have traveled throughout the Commonwealth and talk and talked to the companions in the various chapters a lot of them say they are struggling in the areas opening and closing in the Royal Arch Degree, signs, degree work, and getting new companions to come back and be involved. I encourage all chapters to work on these issues by practicing their opening and closing, and degree work using the books when they have meetings and no degree work to do. This will help the chapters grow stronger and get all of the members involved and help the new members feel more comfortable to learn and get involved when they return after being exalted as a Royal Arch Mason.

The Second area that I would like for us to focus on is Royal Arch Research Assistance. All of our Masonic bodies have a charity they promote ours is Royal Arch Research Assistance. We need to promote Royal Arch Research Assistance and we need to promote this important work in our chapters and also in our communities. If we are willing to make this effort we will better enable to support Royal Arch Research Assistance and it will also give our communities a better understanding of why we are involved in this great organization called Freemasonry.

The area meetings are going to different this year. There will only be three. All districts in Areas 1, 2, 3 will meet together Areas 4, 5, 6 will meet and Areas 7, 8, 9. The meetings will last between 3-4 hours and a meal will be

served. They will be educational type meetings to help work on some of the issues listed above and there will also be a break out session for chapter secretaries with our Grand Secretary Companion James King Jr. to receive educational points concerning their duties.

Fraternally Thine,



Grand High Priest

Grand High Priest October Itinerary

October 1st	Richmond Chapter#16
October 3rd	Shelbyville Chapter #2
October 5th	Frankfort #3 York Rite Festival
October 7th	Davies Chapter #29
October 8 th -9 th	Ohio Grand Sessions
October 10th	WR Shelby Chapter # 4 (Royal Arch Degree)
October 12 th	Area 1,2,3 meeting



**Reception Honoring
Most Excellent Companion
Thomas Bussell
Grand High Priest**

Grand Chapter of Kentucky, R.A.M

Saturday October 26th at 4:00 p.m. EST

*To be held at
Lexington Avenue Baptist Church
339 W Lexington Ave
Danville, KY 40422*

Tickets are \$10.00 each, please contact

*Jim H. King, Jr. - PGHP
400 N. 4th St., Danville, KY 40422
859-209-4120*

Grand Officers 2013-2014

Grand High Priest.....Thomas Bustle
Grand King.....Charles T. Mason
Grand Scribe..... Stewart Strickland
Captain of Host.....Wendall Trent
Grand Royal Arch Captain.....Ronald Ledford
Grand Treasurer..... J.B. Hitt, II ***
Assistant Grand Treasurer..... Robert L. Stanford
Grand Secretary..... Jim H. King, Jr.***
Assistant Grand Secretary..... James G. Hogue***
Grand Principal Sojourner.....Mark Elliott
Grand Master of the Third Veil...Ricky A. Sears
Grand Master of the Second Veil. William J. Brown
Grand Master of the First Veil.....David Williams
Grand Chaplain.....James G. Hogue***
Grand Sentinel.....Michael Yount
Grand Chief Evaluator.....Thomas L Wheeler

*** Denotes Past Grand High Priest

2013 Schedule Upcoming Events

One-Day Festivals

Frankfort York Rite will host a one-day festival on October 5 beginning at 8 A. M at Hiram Lodge.

Elizabethtown York Rite will host a one-day festival on Saturday, November 23 at 8 A.M.

More information will be in future editions of the Keystone when available.

GRAND LODGE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

The 2013 annual Grand Lodge Communication will be held at the Galt House again this year beginning on Sunday, October 20 and continuing through Tuesday afternoon, October 22. The usual schedule will be followed with registration and committee meetings on Sunday, and the formal opening at 9 A.M. on Monday morning. Monday closing is usually about noon with the Master Mason's dinner scheduled for that evening.

The Tuesday Communication will be opened at 9 A.M. with the election of officers to be held that morning and installation in the afternoon. All Master Masons are invited and encouraged to attend.