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Companions

I bring you greetings from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky. This is the last message you will receive from me as your High Priest. I don't have the words to express the honor you have given to me allowing me serve you as High Priest this year. I have enjoyed the traveling to the different chapters throughout this great Commonwealth and to several other states representing our Grand chapter. Without the support that you companions have shown me, I would not have some of the greatest memories of my life and I would not have been able to achieve the goals that I set at the beginning of the year. I am very proud of our chapters throughout the state.

I want to say thanks to all of the Grand Line Officers both elected and appointed for all that you have done serving the Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky this year. You have served the craft well and it's been a pleasure serving with you. I appreciate all of the hard work, service, and time that you have given to the craft this year. When asked each one of you has been willing to step up and go the extra mile to get the job done.

Most Excellent Companion Charles Mason as you assume your duties as Grand High Priest I wish you the best in your year upcoming year as Grand High Priest. I hope you get as much enjoyment out of your year as I have in mine. I give you my support and if I can assist you in any way just let me know. I ask that each and every Companion to give their support and encouragement to Companion Charles and the rest of your Grand Line Officers.

Companions our Grand York Rite Sessions will be September 8th – 10th at the Holiday Inn Hurstbourne in Louisville Kentucky. Come out and show your support by attending and taking part in our York Rite Sessions. The Grand Sessions is your opportunity come and represent your local chapters on a state level. You also get the chance to meet Royal Arch Masons from across the Commonwealth and from other jurisdictions. This gives you the opportunity to renew old friendships and to make some new ones.

Again Companions thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve you as your Grand High Priest this past year. My God bless you and keep you safe.

Fraternally Thine,

Grand High Priest



KENTUCKY GRAND YORK RITE

Please plan to join us on Sunday, September 7 at the Holiday Inn on Hurstbourne Lane for the annual sessions of Grand Commandery, Council and Chapter. We will follow the same schedule as the preceding years. Your motel stay and meals at the motel provide the funds to pay for our meeting rooms and hospitality room. More information will be offered closer to the date.

These sessions are necessary to conduct the business of our Grand Organizations, but also provide an opportunity for fellowship and Masonic information. Plan to join us.

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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CHANGES TO THE KENTUCKY KEYSTONE

In order to better serve and provide a more effective means of communication, a Newsgroup has been established to provide Sir Knights and Companions with a method of state wide communication. The group is available on Yahoo Groups and will function

much the same way as the similar Group for the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. I urge all York Rite members to join and spread the word, we can only grow if people know we are here.

A group dedicated to York Rite Freemasonry in Kentucky and surrounding areas. All forms of announcements regarding Chapter's, Councils, Commanderies, such as events, degree work, obituaries, special services, etc., are welcome, but all postings must first be approved by either the owners or the moderators of the group before it will be sent out to the membership. This list will also serve as the distribution/delivery system for the Kentucky Keystone which is the monthly publication of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky. We reserve the right to reject any message that we may deem inappropriate or off-topic.

This group is not administered by, nor does it represent the views of The Grand York Rite Bodies of Kentucky, The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, or the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar. This is a restricted list, however, this list is not a tiled group, so govern yourselves accordingly and always remember your obligations to our beloved Order. You may join the group from the Grand York Rite home page at www.yorkriteky.org If you have any problems please let me know.

Editor.





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Sir Knights/ Companions,

For the past year, we have attempted to bring you information from all bodies under a single newsletter. It does not appear that this is feasible to continue for the upcoming year.

I was 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.

I am in hopes that in the future this will be possible, and that all York Rite Bodies will work together to achieve this available task of providing information to the membership.

This will be the last edition of the Keystone that I prepare, as I am leaving as Editor after Grand Session. I would like to thank everyone that has assisted me during my tenure. It has been a privilege and a honor to serve the Grand Chapter of Kentucky for these past few years.

Fraternally, Zealously, Courteously,

Michael R. Grigsby

Editor-Kentucky Keystone