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Greetings Sir Knights
 I would like to thank my Division Commanders for an excellent job this year. Now that the inspection season is over be sure to send your inspection results to our Inspector General, Bobby Crittenden. I am looking

forward to seeing our Division Commanders at our annual conclave. Sir Knights I believe that this has been a good year over all and I am looking forward to next year. Our Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander is ready to take office and he will do an excellent job serving as our Grand Commander.

Sir Knights our educational committee has been meeting and I believe that we will be able to give two scholarships again this year. In our next issue I will share with you who our recipients are.

I had the privilege to attend The Job's Daughter Installation this year. The work was beautiful and the young ladies are inspirational. I challenge Sir Knights in the Louisville area to stop by and visit one of their meetings. It will inspire them and you will receive a blessing.

I also had the privilege to attend the annual session of The Rainbows. It was a blessing to see the smiles on these young ladies. They were friendly and enjoyed what they were doing. They allowed me to bring greeting from the Grand Commandery.

In closing I hope to see you at the annual conclave. Be sure to make your reservation soon and purchase your meal tickets. Courteously, Larry Carte REGC

Remember Every Christian Mason Should Be a Knight Templar

Grand York Rite Annual Session

The Grand York Rite Annual Sessions will take place on September 17, 2017 through September 20th 2017 at the Embassy Suite in Lexington, KY. The York Rite Banquet will be Sunday evening followed by the Memorial Service. The cost of the banquet will be \$40. The Grand Commandery will open 9am Monday 18th, 2017. You can obtain order forms for the banquets and lunches on our website.

As has been true for the last several years, all meetings will be at the Embassy Suites in Lexington. The schedule in addition to Commandery, then Council, then Chapter each at 9 A.M. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, The Philaethes Society at 3 P.M. on Sunday, the Memorial Service dinner on Sunday evening along with the service, and the Knight Preceptor Order on Monday afternoon at 4.

PHILAETHES SOCIETY

The International Society customarily meets in Washington D.C. each February in conjunction with Masonic Week. Very occasionally they host a mid-summer annual feast and forum in some other area, when finances allow, and a suitable theme is suggested. From their inception and still today, this is a society of Freemasons who wish to learn more about our craft, and have knowledge to share.

Such a special meeting was held on June 23-25 this year in Bloomington, Minnesota. The theme was the 300th anniversary of the Grand Lodge of England on June 24 of 1717 in London. The speakers were Brothers Shawn Eyer, Christopher Murphy, Dana Scofield and Nathan St. Pierre. Each spoke on a topic pertinent to that or similar event from that period and each was very well prepared with original documents to share.

Brothers Terry Tilton and Shawn Eyer were the coordinators and did all of the planning and made all of the arrangements for the event. We met at the one- year old Grand Lodge and Heritage Center in Bloomington, an amazing facility which contains a museum and library for the Grand Lodge in addition to meeting rooms and catering facilities, as well as the Grand Lodge Office. On the same campus are living facilities similar to ours on Frankfort Ave., but considerably more residents and many more levels of care in the assisted living category.

The Kentucky Chapter, which meets annually on Sunday afternoon prior to Grand York Rite sessions now boasts sixteen members. I was the only member present from Kentucky. There were about 45 other members present from the U. S. and Canada. This was an excellent opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones among those Freemasons who have a genuine interest in our history.

GRAND CHAPTER OF KENTUCKY CELEBRATES 200TH ANNIVERSARY

Corrected Date and Place

The Grand Chapter will celebrate 200 years of service in Kentucky on Saturday, December 16, 2017 at the Holiday Inn on Hurstbourne Parkway in Louisville. Plans are being made for a special banquet that evening, and the Hotel will offer the usual Grand York Rite rates for overnight stay.

Formed in Frankfort by Companions from Chapters in Lexington, Shelbyville and Frankfort on December 4, 1817, which had been chartered in October of 1816 by Deputy General Grand High Priest Thomas Smith Webb, the Grand Chapter has been supporting local chapters since then.

THE MASONIC SOCIETY

Albert Pike: "The ultimate success of Masonry depends on the intelligence of her disciples."

This research Society was formed more than ten years ago, will hold its 2017 Masonic Conference in Lexington on September 7th thru 10th, 2017. The topic will be "Centuries of American Freemasonry" with nationally renowned speakers, panel discussions, a festive board, and side trips to some of the Lexington historic areas, Membership is apparently not required to attend. I will print more description in the September magazine, or write or call me. J B Hitt