

MASONIC HOMES of KENTUCKY

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New leadership named at Masonic Home of Louisville

The New Year brought new leadership to the Masonic Home of Louisville, with **Lori A. Hess** joining the team as executive director and administrator.

Hess brings more than a decade of long-term care experience, previously serving as administrator of Regency Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. Her career also includes serving as assistant administrator as well as work in admissions, social services and activities. Hess holds a bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Southern Indiana.



Lori Hess



Bill Grenier



Dana Mahan

The search for a new executive director created an opportunity to promote two Louisville staffers to round out the Home's management team. **Bill Grenier** has been promoted to assistant administrator, and **Dana Mahan** has been named director of nursing.

Grenier has been the Home's D O N since 2004, beginning his career in long-term care 15 years ago as a C N A. A registered nurse, Grenier holds a BSN degree from Indiana Wesleyan University and was named D O N of the year in 2007 by KAHSA and KAHCF.

Mahan has spent 15 of her 16 years in nursing at the Masonic Home, growing from an LPN working on the floor to serving as assistant director of nursing and director of educational development. She was instrumental in creating the Home's Associate of the Month Program and has taught clinical nursing for Jefferson Community College, where she completed the RN program in 1999.

"Lori, Bill and Dana are committed to person-centered care, customer service and employee satisfaction," said CEO Gary Marsh. "Their professionalism and creativity will truly make a difference for our residents, their families and our employees."

Great Day of Service is April 18th

BY NEAL HARMON (124/54), DISTRICT # 16 AMBASSADOR

As this year's Great Day of Service approaches, I can't help but reflect on last year's workday on the Louisville campus. It was a wonderful chance to work with brothers from my district and across the state, and with MHKY residents and employees. We had a lot of fun while doing a service for *the* charity of Kentucky Masons.

I'm proud of the 20+ brothers from my District who spent a beautiful spring day serving our Fraternity and the Homes. Many were new brothers who got to see first-hand what Freemasonry in Kentucky has built—our Homes.

As we spread mulch, planted flowers and trimmed hedges, we gained experience in Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, the most important tenets of our brotherhood. We completed the work before noon, showing what we could accomplish together. As with all things in Masonry, you get out of it what you put into it. This is definitely so with the Great Day of Service.

I encourage every Kentucky Mason to participate in the 2009 Day of Service. Bring friends, family members and potential Masons—there is enough work for everyone on the Louisville and Shelbyville campuses. My goal is to double the number of volunteers from District #16, and I would love to see an army of Masons and friends descend on the Homes to lend a hand. Contact your District Ambassador or your DDGM for more information.



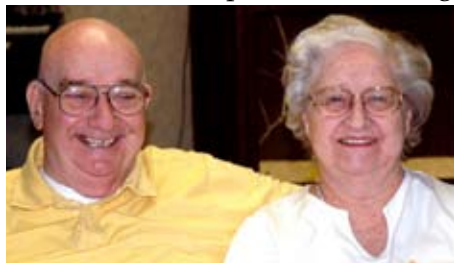
To sign up for the 2009 Great Day of Service or learn more, contact the Homes' VP of Fraternal Relations **John Cauley** (502.753.8848; jcauley@mhky.com).



Above: Members of Pitman No. 124 and Preston No. 281 joined forces at the 2008 Great Day of Service.

Couple celebrates 50-year anniversary

Winston and Ruth Wilson met at Kroger where Ruth was a cashier and Winston was her bagger. "She could scan 10 items in the time other girls could scan one," Mr. Wilson recalled. Their friendship continued during Mr. Wilson's tour in the U.S. Navy. When he returned



Winston and Ruth Wilson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Masonic Home of Louisville.

four years later, Mr. Wilson proposed and on November 24, 1958, they were married.

Today, the Wilsons live in the Louisville Personal Care Center. Mr. Wilson, a member of Plumb No. 862 and Valley No. 511, could not be happier with the accommodations.

"If there is one thing I could let my Masonic brothers know is that this is the best place I have ever been," Mr. Wilson said. "I started out at the VA, and it does not even compare with the Home. We're so glad to be here."

An attitude of gratitude

BY BRUCE LOTT, SR.VP MISSION ADVANCEMENT & CDO



Bruce Lott

As I write this letter, I have returned to the office after taking some time away to relax and celebrate the absolute joy of the season with friends and family. A change of pace and place almost magically refreshes and renews in many ways, including the realization that we have so much in life for which to be thankful.

During my time working with the Homes, I have repeatedly experienced the generosity of each of you who have made supporting the Homes, the charity of Masonry, a priority in your life. It's a great feeling to see so many in the Craft demonstrate that part of their obligation by giving of their time, talents and treasure.

By the time you read this article, we will be well into the New Year... a year of promise and opportunities to make Masonry as good as it can be, and the privilege of helping care for those we serve at your Masonic Homes. Our hope is that each of you will continue what you have started.

May 2009 be a year of great joy and success for you and yours. It all begins with an attitude of gratitude.

Worth a thousand words



Above: Masonic Home of Shelbyville staff made sure residents and their families enjoyed holiday celebrations at the Home.

Right: Jane Johnson and Eunice Walker welcomed 2009 at the Louisville Personal Care Center New Year's party.

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