

MASONIC HOMES of KENTUCKY

Providing quality housing, health care and services
that make a difference in people's lives

License plate provides new vehicle for giving

Beginning June 1, 2009, every Master Mason in Kentucky has a new opportunity to assist those who rely on the Masonic Homes for their care. It's as easy as renewing your vehicle license plate.

Thanks to the passage of House Bill 74 (sponsored by Rep. Jim DeCesare, Bowling Green No. 73),



Kentucky Masons can purchase the specialized vehicle tag and make a donation to the Homes at the same time.

Kentucky Masons can make a voluntary \$10 donation to the Masonic Homes when renewing their specialized Masonic vehicle license plate. The Masonic plate features the Masonic emblem and tagline, *Making Good Men Better*.

To purchase the specialized plate, simply bring proof of Masonic membership to your county clerk's office, along with information to license your vehicle. For details about the Masonic plate and vehicle license fees, or to request a personalized Masonic plate, contact your county clerk's office.

Nursing Home Week spotlights residents

A traveling pet show from the Louisville Zoo. Talent shows starring Masonic Home staff. Renewing marriage vows with the chaplain dressed as Elvis. The Senior Prom.

These and other events marked 2009's National Nursing Home Week celebrations at the Louisville and Shelbyville Homes. First observed in 1967, the annual weeklong observance is held during the second week of May.

"It's truly an opportunity to involve residents, their families, the staff and the community in special events," said Shelbyville Administrator Debra Finneran. "All of us look forward to this week every year."

The 2009 theme was Nurturing a Love That Lasts, and both Homes planned experiences for residents that would make memories.

Part of that love is between residents and Masonic Home staff, according to Louisville Administrator Lori Hess. "Through the special events during National Nursing Home Week, it's easy to see how greatly our residents and staff care about each other, and those are relationships worth celebrating."



Gi-normous Yard Sale

Help Masonic Home Memory Marchers and District 14 Masonic Lodges raise money for the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk and Masonic Homes of Kentucky.

Saturday, August 1st
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Masonic Homes of Kentucky
Louisville Campus
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RIGHT: Elvis impersonator Rev. Tim Morrow officiated as Louisville residents Ruth and Winston Wilson (Plumb No. 862 and Valley No. 511) renewed their marriage vows.



ABOVE: Shelbyville staff sang oldies as the Soggy Bottom Boys.



Louisville Rehab staff entertained residents as The Nighthawks.



Dorothy Perry and Leslie White posed for a portrait at Shelbyville's Senior Prom.

From the ground up

Construction of the \$30 million Care Center on Louisville the campus has progressed from site preparation to constructing basement footings and walls. Preparations are underway to connect the existing Personal Care Center (rear, center of photo). Although spring's wet weather slowed the earthwork, the project is still on track for completion in December 2010.



Masonic Homes: your vacation destination du jour



By BRUCE LOTT — Sr.VP/Mission Advancement & CDO

School is out, the weather's finally warmed up and folks are scrambling to find that perfect vacation spot. Doesn't matter where it is, only that it's a change of place and pace.

Many of you may be taking that needed vacation. You've earned it, you deserve it, and by golly you're going to take it. But, please don't forget the hundreds of persons being cared for at your Masonic Homes. For us, it's a 24/7/365 job. Care doesn't take a vacation.

Before you take off for the sunny coast, the mountains, or just a trip to visit family, please take a moment now to write a check and mail it in the envelope in this issue of the *Journal*. When you do, you'll have the satisfaction of knowing you can rest easy because those in our care are resting easier, due to your sharing from your bounty.

Enjoy your vacation, and thank you for remembering those served by your Homes.

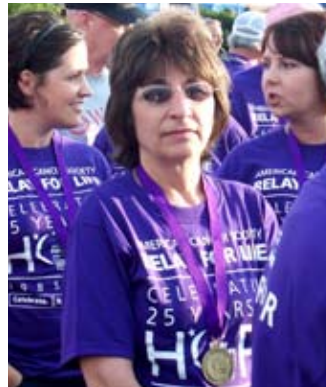
And by the way, if your travels bring you anywhere near Louisville, Shelbyville, or Taylor Mill, stop in and see us. We'd love to show you the exciting things we're doing on your behalf.

Worth a Thousand Words



ABOVE: Masonic Home Village residents Dottie Tabak and Robert Bradley showed appreciation to the Wheatley Golf Tournament, which netted more than \$1,000 for the Homes.

ABOVE RIGHT: CNA Patricia Grant prepared for the survivor's lap while Sondra Bunch and Daisy Baxter (right) carried the banner during Shelby County's 2009 Relay For Life. Masonic Home of Shelbyville's team raised \$4,226 for this year's event.



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