

# MASONIC HOMES of KENTUCKY

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

## What Masonry is all about

### One man shares his Great Day of Service experience

By JAMES G. HOGUE—GRAND HIGH PRIEST, ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF KENTUCKY

During the spring of 2009, a group of friends and I, from several different Lodges in District 21, went to the Shelbyville Campus to be a part of the One Great Day of Service. This was a very meaningful experience for all of us.

The Masonic Home welcomed us warmly when we arrived. In no time we had been selected for duties that needed to be completed and were at work. For many, who had never before participated, what Masonry was all about, was quickly apparent. Having that feeling of taking care of our brothers and sisters or at least making their world a little more beautiful was heart-warming.

I observed a large number of Masons, some with wives and family members, toiling on projects that they were physically able to complete. With that number of people working and with the assistance of the Home staff, improvements became quickly noticeable. Landscaping, painting, building of shelters, and much conversation and teasing were accomplished with ease.

I am sure that our Homes' Ambassador for District 21 Johnny Yates will again this year suggest that we come to help out. I don't believe he will have to suggest as hard this time as I for one am looking forward to that day.

### Join us for Great Day of Service VII

Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

Masonic Homes'  
Louisville and  
Shelbyville campuses

Start Time: 9 a.m. ET;  
coffee, juice and  
doughnuts provided  
End Time: Noon,

followed by lunch

To sign up for the 2010 Great Day of Service or learn more, contact Homes' VP of Fraternal Relations (866.764.6631 or 502.753.8848; greatday@mhky.com).

## Meet Amy Lyons



Amy Lyons, RN

Amy Lyons has been promoted to Director of Nursing for Masonic Home of Louisville. A registered nurse with nine years of experience, Lyons joined the Home in

September 2009 as nurse supervisor.

Previously, she served as director of nursing for Regency Care and Rehabilitation Center, where she was honored by Sunbridge Healthcare as Regional Nursing Director of the Year. She also served as assistant director of nursing and staffing development coordinator for Hillcrest Centre for Health and Rehabilitation.

Lyons holds a bachelor's degree in nursing and is pursuing a master's degree at McKendree College. She serves on the steering committee at the Home for culture change and will help lead the transition for staff and residents to the new Louisville Care Center, on schedule to open in December 2010.

## Grand Master's program helps fund new Homes' service

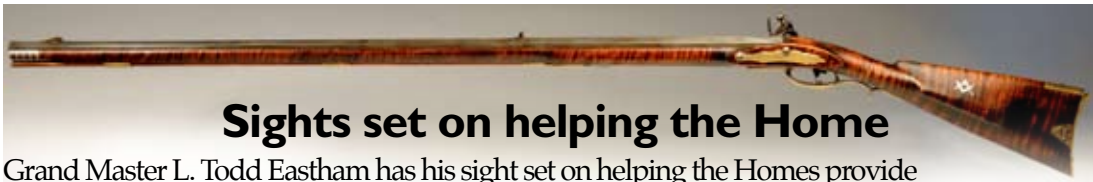
Masonic Homes of Kentucky is preparing to pilot a home and community based services program to help seniors and others continue living in their homes, instead of moving to a facility.

The project will begin with a pilot in the FIVCO Area Development District which includes Boyd, Carter, Elliott, Greenup and Lawrence counties. The area was selected because of the commitment of Grand Master L. Todd Eastham, whose Kentucky Frontiersmen Program is raising money to fund the project. The area also boasts a large population of Masons, who will be able to access the services for little or no cost.

"More seniors seek services delivered in their homes," said Homes' CEO Gary Marsh. "From medical assistance to homemaker tasks to transportation, seniors today are looking for help that will enable them to live independently—and remain in their homes—for as long as possible."

Homes' staff will begin assessing services available in the FIVCO area this spring. Marsh hopes to begin offering services by late summer 2010.

Once the program's business model is refined in the FIVCO area, plans call for extending the services into a broader area. "Our long-term goal is to offer home and community based services throughout the Commonwealth," Marsh said.



## Sights set on helping the Home

Grand Master L. Todd Eastham has his sight set on helping the Homes provide leading-edge services through Kentucky Frontiersmen. Funds from Kentucky Frontiersmen will help provide better lifestyles for seniors through a home and community based services pilot project (see corresponding article on previous page).

The Grand Master has donated a Kentucky long rifle, pair of custom powder horns and leather long hunter's bag, valued at \$10,000, for the Kentucky Frontiersmen program. Raffle tickets to win the entire ensemble may be obtained by mailing the envelope in this issue of *Masonic Home Journal*, with your check.

Purchase a \$20 ticket and you will receive a commemorative pin. Purchase more raffle tickets and you will receive a pin plus a special Kentucky Frontiersmen keepsake. Help the Homes stay on target and help seniors live independently in their homes for as long as possible. Simply complete and mail the envelope in this issue of *Masonic Home Journal* with your check today.

## Worth a thousand words



LEFT: Masonic Home of Louisville resident William Kelly and Administrative Assistant Tiffany Tomerlin posed with a snake during the Kosair's Shrine Circus. Each year residents from both Homes attend the circus free of charge thanks to Kosair Shriners.



Homes' Chief Development Officer Bruce Lott (left) accepted a \$5,000 check from Pitman No. 124 Master Neal Hammon. The lodge's gift will help furnish a resident's room in the Louisville Care Center, scheduled to open in December 2010. Hammon also is the Homes' District 16 Ambassador.

RIGHT: Homes' VP of Fraternal Relations John Cauley was installed as Potentate of Rizpah Shriners in January. A Past Master of Lewisburg No. 324, Cauley joined the Madisonville-based Rizpah Shriners in November 2001. In his role at the Homes, Cauley works with the District Ambassador program, the Great Day of Service and other initiatives that connect Kentucky Masons to the Homes.



John Cauley



Construction on the Louisville Care Center continues on schedule. The rehabilitation center's exterior (forefront) and portico were finished with brick and siding in January.

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