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March 2019



As we continue our journey "up to Jerusalem" during the month of March, three prominent ideas are proposed for our contemplation by the liturgy of Lent: the Passion and Resurrection of Christ, baptism, and penance.

The **Solemnity of St. Joseph** is a special landmark this month in which we will celebrate the great honor bestowed upon the foster father of Jesus. And if you are Irish (who isn't), **St. Patrick's feast** is another cause for a joyful celebration. The feast of the Annunciation is celebrated on March 25.

The saints that we will focus on this month and try to imitate are **St. Casimir** (March 4), **Sts. Perpetua and Felicity** (March 7), **St. John of God** (March 8), **St. Frances of Rome** (March 9), **St. Patrick** (March 17), **St. Cyril of Jerusalem** (March 18), **St. Joseph** (March 19) and **St. Toribio de Mogrovejo** (March 23).

The feast of **St. Katharine Drexel** (March 3), is superseded by the Sunday liturgy.



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Regional Free Throw Contest

Since the participants from District 15, including councils 13304 and 14604, completed their regional round on February 23, their scores from that date were included in the results. Following are the winners from the Regional championship.

Girls, Age 10

Katie Kendall, Council 15931

Boys, Age 9

Thomas Strange, Council 1290

Girls, Age 11

Aubrey Brown, Council 13304

Boys, Age 10

Tyler Bartley, Council 1290

Girls, Age 12

Caroline Mattingly, Council 1290

Boys, Age 11

Max Brewer, Council 1290

Girls, Age 13

Caroline (Carlie) Thurmond, Council 1290

Boys, Age 12

Jordan Bond, Council 15931

Boys, Age 14

Noah Meyers, Council 14604

Boys, Age 13

Daylan Miller, Council 1290

Those present today were advised that the State Championship will be held on Sunday, March 24, 1:00 PM EDT, at Bethlehem High School in Bardstown.



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State Free Throw Contest

Following are the winners of the 2019 State Championship. Please join us in congratulating all of these young citizens.

Girls, Age 9

Claudia Wheatley, Uniontown
Council 1004

Boys, Age 9

Landon Smith, Henderson
Council 1320

Girls, Age 10

Kenz'leigh Harrison, White
Plains
Council 15181

Boys, Age 10

Jaydon Plunkette, Dawson Springs
Council 15181

Girls, Age 11

Judy Scott, Morganfield
Council 1004

Boys, Age 11

Garrett Shouse, Morganfield
Council 1004

Girls, Age 12

Brianna Hall, Taylor Mill
Council 12502

Boys, Age 12

Jordan Bond, Louisville
Council 15931

Girls, Age 13

Katherine Shea McGohon,
Georgetown
Council 11470

Boys, Age 13

Daylan Miller, Shepherdsville
Council 1290

Boys, Age 14

Clay Brawner, Henderson
Council 1320

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State Free Throw Contest



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All the Council's and Assembly's of Louisville came together to participate in the St. Patrick's Parade on a rainy day in Louisville.

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Fr. Gettlefinger Council 10987, Fulton, KY.

Charter Date: November 29, 1992

Charter members: 30

Present members: 51

Charter Member G.K.: Ronnie Story

Charter Member Priest: Fr. Marty Hayes

Current Member G.K.: Paul Pennell

Current Member Priest: Fr. Robert Drury

Council Member Appointed to District Deputy by Supreme Knight:

1. Lawrence Mitchell, 4 years

2. Paul Pennell, 7 years

State Committee appointed by State Deputy:

1. Paul Pennell, Community Director, 7 years

2. Lawrence Mitchell, Community Director, 4 years

3. Paul Pennell, Longest Serving Grand Knight, 12 years

When the charter was issued in November twenty ninth, 1992, the council met in the basement of St. Edward Church. All Knights of Columbus meetings and social functions were held there as well. For several years, a weekly BINGO was held there sponsored by our council.

Sometime during 2010 and into 2011, a new building was started for a Parish Hall. The new hall was being built with pledges from our church members and with an outside donation. The parish hall was paid off in less than 4 years. The council then moved from the basement to the new Parish Hall along with all money-making projects.

Some activities that we will mention will start with Thanksgiving Dinner for the people of Fulton, Kentucky, sponsored by our local council. We did this for anyone that wanted to come. We fed three hundred people and delivered a portion of these meals to the sick and shut-ins in the area. Several churches worked together to put this

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meal on one that helped tirelessly was the First United Methodist Church.

On occasion, Fr. Robert would find a family in need of help with their utilities and our council would at times pay a portion of their bill and at times there might be a need to pay the entire bill so that the gas, water, and electric would be turned back on for the family. We believe that helping people that have a need greater than ours is what our Lord Jesus wants us to do. No one that had a true need was ever turned away by our church or Knights of Columbus to my knowledge.

This information was researched and prepared by Paul Pennell, District Deputy and Grand Knight of Fr. Gettlefinger Council 10987, Fulton, KY.

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Submitted to Newsletter by:
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State Historian

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Membership

March 16, 2019

Brothers All. The figures in red are our shortfall on the way to COH goals. Please step up your recruiting efforts.

Circle of Honor Goal Report		
Thursday March 14, 2019		
Intake Gain		
Standing	Goal/Intake	Need
26/75	560/313*	247
Net Gain		
Standing	Goal/Intake	Need
24/75	340/207	133
Net/Net Gain		
Standing	Goal/Intake	Need
11/75	125/107	18

Standing - XX of 75 jurisdictions.

* Includes eMembers

Goal/intake - XXX/XXX Supreme Quota/Performance

Need - Number of members needed to achieve Supreme Quota

There are now eleven Councils that have reached or exceeded their Supreme membership quota for the McGivney Award. They are listed below:

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Fr. McGivney Award Membership Quota Achieved

220%

**Bishop Soenneker Council 10725, Owensboro
GK Richard Coomes, DD Edward Sullivan**

133.33%

**Fr. Roy Dentinger Council 390, Louisville
GK Paul Tadatada, DD John Staudt, Jr.**

120%

**Knottsville Council 16125, Knottsville
GK Mike Mudd, DD Bruce Whitehouse**

110%

**Fr. Thomas Malloy Council 6317, Danville
GK Alex Bremer, DD Not Assigned**

100%

**St. Edward the Confessor Council 15841, Louisville
GK John Bates, DD Joseph Carter, Jr.**

**Fr. McGivney Council 12502, Independence
GK Michael Nachazel, DD David White**

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Honor Roll continued:

**St. Charles/St. Sebastian Council 15484, Calhoun
GK James Durbin, DD Neil Scott**

**Monsignor Thompson Council 10988, Calvert City
GK Philip Scheidegger, DD Dennis Herricks**

**St. Michael's Council 15525, Jeffersontown
GK Joseph Bettie, DD Joseph Carter, Jr**

**Fr. Joseph Saffer Council 6897, Murray
GK Robert Schwenck, DD Paul Pennell**

**Bishop Flaget Council 13053, Louisville
GK David Such, DD John Staudt, Jr.**

3/14/2019

**In addition, 49 Councils have had a net increase in their membership
of at least one. They are:**



Councils Recruiting with Less Than 100% of Quota

Council	District	Location	M'Ship	Quota	Net	% of Quota
762	20	Lexington	197	13	3	23.08
817	5	Owensboro	162	11	2	18.18
1004	3	Morganfield	124	9	3	33.33
1055	2	Paducah	171	12	4	33.33
1264	11	Lebanon	310	21	5	23.81
1315	9	Bowling Green	359	25	7	28.00
1320	3	Henderson	257	17	1	5.88
1367	3	Uniontown	144	10	9	90.00
1377	23	Maysville	171	11	1	9.09
1418	1	Fancy Farm	359	25	3	12.00
1455	10	Elizabethtown	320	22	2	9.09
1483	16	Frankfort	175	12	3	25.00
1955	20	Paris	53	4	1	25.00

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2282	8	Brandenburg	114	8	7	87.50
2459	20	Winchester	126	9	3	33.33
2499	8	Hardinsburg	78	5	3	60.00
3379	10	Vine Grove	194	13	4	30.77
4473	12	Louisville	228	15	1	6.67
4665	13	Shively	173	11	1	9.09
5220	23	Alexandria	347	23	1	4.35
5453	21	Hebron	283	19	12	63.16
6101	4	Sorgho	191	13	2	15.38
7831	7	Sebree	58	4	2	50.00
8145	9	Russellville	61	4	1	25.00
10263	18	Nicholasville	101	7	1	14.29
11132	7	Madisonville	88	6	5	83.33
11470	16	Georgetown	176	12	2	16.67
11591	2	Paducah	66	5	3	60.00
12562	13	Louisville	91	6	1	16.67
12623	8	Radcliff	105	7	1	14.29
12852	17	Richmond	93	6	2	33.33
12923	11	Campbellsville	56	4	1	25.00
14130	20	Lexington	188	13	1	7.69
14234	12	Taylorsville	84	6	1	16.67
14290	4	Owensboro	95	7	1	14.29
14372	19	Lexington	161	11	9	81.82
14471	13	Louisville	127	9	1	11.11
14604	15	Pewee Valley	86	6	2	33.33
14993	21	Erlanger	73	5	1	20.00
15452	19	Lexington	79	6	2	33.33
15699	12	Louisville	48	4	2	50.00
15707	19	Lexington	38	4	2	50.00
15914	6	Fort Campbell	55	4	1	25.00
15931	14	Louisville	38	4	1	25.00
15979	14	Louisville	95	7	5	71.43
16206	23	Morehead	44	4	3	75.00
16232	9	Scottsville	48	4	1	25.00
16424	21	Walton	38	4	2	50.00
16956	17	Middlesboro	24	4	1	25.00

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Yellow highlights Councils that have reached 50% of quota.

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Finally, there are 26 Councils that are experiencing ZERO growth:

Councils that have not recruited this Fraternal year.			
Council	District	Location	Recruited
702	22	Covington	0
1361	3	Waverly	0
2046	5	Whitesville	0
2208	10	New Haven	0
4270	11	Springfield	0
5071	17	Corbin	0
5634	13	Louisville	0
6368	9	Glasgow	0
7387	8	Hawesville	0
7859	17	London	0
10682	13	Louisville	0
10962	2	Paducah	0
10987	1	Fulton	0
11191	24	Prestonsburg	0
11453	1	Aurora	0
11972	17	London	0
12354	12	Mt Washington	0
13196	23	Cynthiana	0

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13304	15	Lagrange	0
13917	16	Versailles	0
14128	17	Somerset	0
14728	23	Falmouth	0
15063	24	Pikeville	0
15181	6	Dawson Springs	0
15681	16	Lawrenceburg	0
16179	14	Louisville	0
26			

I want to congratulate all the recruiters that have grown their Council to date and urge the Grand Knights and members of the ZERO growth Councils to increase their effort to gain at least one new member.

Wishing all a belated Happy Saint Patrick's Day,

**Bill Hancock, PSD
Membership Director**

State Deputy Cameron Peck



Brothers,

I am happy to announce that we have a new council in Kentucky. On February 28th, our brother knights in Harrodsburg formed their own council. They are officially Andrew's Apostles Council #17234. This new council has a good mix of new knights and more experienced veterans and will do great things going forward. Hopefully, they will be able to have a couple of delegates at the State Convention.

Breaking news - I was just copied on an email containing the application for a new council at Sts. Joe and Paul Catholic Church in Owensboro. They are so new that they don't have a council number yet. The name of the council is Monsignor Peter Braun. Congratulations to District Deputy Ed Sullivan on getting this new council started. And a special thanks goes out to Field Agent Leonard Walther and all the men that helped get this going. Great job guys.

We are a strong jurisdiction and getting stronger everyday. Thank you for all the great work you all do. The 1st principal of the Knights of Columbus is Charity and you all exemplify this so well in everything that you and your councils do. Keep up the great work.

I hope that you are all planning on attending the State Convention on May 18th and 19th. Please come and join us at this celebration of all that you and your councils have achieved this year. And remember, if you need anything, please don't hesitate to contact me. I am here to help you be successful!

Vivat Jesus,

Cameron Peck

State Deputy

State Secretary

Steve Zanone



My Brother Knights,

The Lenten season is upon us again, which means we are gearing up for the State Convention very soon. I have sent out per capita bills, the second new member billing, and delegate registration forms. There are several councils that still owe for both new member bills and State per capita. Please send those to me ASAP. To those councils who already paid I extend my thanks. Your council is not eligible to seat delegates or receive reimbursement for attending the convention unless these bills are paid. If you need another copy, please email or call me.

I am in the process of putting together the annual report book, so District Deputies take this as a heads up. I will be asking this week for you to submit your report, as well as committee chairs. Please answer the call when it comes. I would like to put together a very complete and comprehensive report for our jurisdiction.

We are gaining traction on the recruiting front. Keep up the good work. Many of you have heard me talk about recruiting that young father who wrestled the little kid all the way through Mass. And I have used that so much that it results in eye rolls and groans from many of you, but it works! My council will be putting a young man through his initiation degree next month who I recruited in just that way. He and his wife have been greeted by the parish and the council already. He, like many other men resisted at first due to his time being limited. But once he and his wife saw how much we genuinely wanted them with us he immediately signed the form 100. The more young families we engage will only strengthen our order. Let's keep up our recruiting efforts, and show by our works that we are worthy of new members coming into our ranks.

VJ,

Steve Zanone, State Secretary

State Treasurer

Tom Johnson



Reminder:

Council and Candidate Resolutions that are to be submitted for consideration at the 117th State Convention in May should be voted on and approved at the council level and submitted to the State Advocate by **March 15th, 2019**.

Lent:

March 6th was Ash Wednesday the start of the Lenten Season. For the next six weeks we have the opportunity to reflect on the blessings we've received and the sins we've committed. For me leading and participating in the Stations of the Cross is a beautiful way to reflect on the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Treasure's Notes:

February Financials are in the book. The big event this past month was the collection of our State Per Capita dues. I would like to thank those councils that have already paid their dues. This is a great help to your State Secretary and State Treasurer.

At the end of February, 2019 the following monies were available for each program:

KY Heavenly Pennies Program

Covington	-	\$263.18
Lexington	-	\$844.61
Louisville	-	\$317.75
Owensboro	-	\$568.20

These monies will be distributed to the Bishop of each of the diocese in which the monies was raised for the support of our seminarians.

Culture of Life Fund

Covington	-	\$250.00
Lexington	-	\$100.00
Louisville	-	\$750.00
Owensboro	-	\$1587.64

These monies will be distributed to each of the diocese in which the monies were raised for the support of Culture of Life needs.

State Treasurer

Tom Johnson (cont.)



Reflections:

March is a special month for me. It signals the end of winter and the start of spring. The days get longer as the chill of winter fades away. The sounds of the birds chirping are more prevalent and the yearning to be outside grows stronger.

The crocus and daffodils are blooming; the grass is greening and there is a freshness in the air. Catholics and Christians around the world are preparing for the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our world is alive!

March is special because there are several family birthdays that will be celebrated and loved ones remembered.

Two years ago this month my father passed away and last year I lost my brother. My mother still grieves as I. You know they'd died; yet there are signs everywhere that remind you that they are still alive within your heart, your soul and your mind. You mourn their passing and you laugh at their memories. Every time I see an American flag I salute my father and I ask God to bless this great country of ours and I remember my brother.

Isn't that what the Lenten Season is all about; remembering Jesus, His Passion and death on the Cross. Mourning His passing and rejoicing in His resurrection. Jesus is alive just as my father and brother are alive in everything I see, hear, taste and feel. I try and thank God every day for all the blessing that He has bestowed on me, my mother, my wife and children, friends and relatives. But most importantly I thank God for watching over me and loving me. I know I can never repay Him so I'll do my best and serve Him.

May you have a blessed Lenten Season. Make time to participate in the Stations of the Cross and reflect on the Passion of our Lord.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom Johnson

State Advocate

State Advocate

Luke A. Williams



March State Advocate Facts, Forms and Fat Tuesday Greetings

Brothers,

A reminder that any and all Council and Candidate Resolutions that are to be submitted for consideration at the 116th State Convention in May should have been voted on and approved at the council level and submitted to the State Advocate by **March 15th, 2019.**

Here is an update with Safe Environment Training and reminder that **All Youth Compliance must be completed before May 1st..... PLEASE DO NOT WAIT**

As of 3/1/2019 there are;

16 GKs that are not compliant with their training.

39 Program Directors not assigned.

66 Community Directors not assigned.

67 Family Directors not assigned.

We have 16 councils who are fully compliant. Great Job!

We have 2 more councils who have a few spots pending to become fully compliant...

Please consider helping your council out by volunteering for these important roles and more importantly, when you receive an email notification to take the training or to authorize a background check (Community or Family Directors), **PLEASE DO NOT WAIT** to complete! There were a few councils last year who had everything for the Star Council award except completion of all 4 positions requiring Safe Environment Training Compliance (Grand Knight/Program Director/Community Director/Family Director) or the Safe Environment Background Check Compliance for the 2 positions requiring it.

Did you know that one or two persons can serve in any or all of these 4 positions? If you have questions about the Safe Environment Compliance process, please contact me now! District Deputies will be receiving copies of the progress reports for their councils to help encourage the Safe Environment Compliance. This is a very important training component in your Council's operations.

State Advocate

Luke A. Williams (cont.)



As of 3-1-2019, here is an update on Delinquent Council Reports and I hope that we can help get to 100% compliance before June 1, 2019.

Form#185 Officers Chosen for the Term - report was due by 7/31/18.

12 Councils have no report turned in.

Form#365 Service Program Personnel Report - report was due 7/31/18.

28 Councils have no report turned in. (in order to get a Brother Knight in the process for Safe Environment Training or Background Check, a new Form#365 listing the Program Director, Community Director or Family Director would be filled out and sent to Supreme.

Form#1295 Semi Annual Audit for Period ending 12/31/2018;

18 Councils Delinquent Last 2 Periods - These councils are in danger of losing their bonding and face possible suspension.

13 Councils Delinquent Only Last Period

Form#1728 Survey of Fraternal Activity - report was due January 31st, 2019.

32 Councils still need one filled out and turned in (not too late). The best way to submit the **Survey of Fraternal Activities Form#1728** is via online submission by logging into Member Management. Supreme is also receiving a lot of old Form #1728 forms. They will process these; however, it requires extra time. Reminder that there is a new #1728 or use the online submission method.

Supreme has stated that they have received a large number of submissions for both the Form#1728 Survey and the **Special Olympic Report Form#4584**... More than they ever have at this point previously! Nearly two-thirds of the Form#1728 has been through the new online submission!

Reminder to all Councils who have not filled out and turned in the **Special Olympic Report Form#4584**, Please submit to Supreme even if you did not participate in any events.

I am writing this to you on Fat Tuesday and through prayerful consideration, I have a plan of action to spend this Lent preparing for Easter. I have found over the years that adding something worthwhile to my routine is much better for me than trying to "give up something". The best "action" that is now a daily routine was to go to the USCCB website and do the daily readings. Bishop Barron's "Word on Fire" also sends an email each morning that helps give me better understanding of the day's Gospel. I pray that your Lenten experience this year helps you and your family to be closer to our Lord.

Vivat Jesus,

Luke A. Williams

State Advocate

State Warden

Dick Burns



Brothers,

Basketball Slam! Sweepstakes

We're coming to the end of the college Basketball season and that means March Madness! The *Basketball Slam! Sweepstakes* is a fun way to enjoy the tournament and support the Kentucky State Charities Disaster Relief Program and your Councils. Please have all the sold ticket stubs, unsold tickets, and checks (made out to "Kentucky State Council" - NO CASH, PLEASE!!) back to me by March 9 so that we can have it all in before March Madness begins.

We donate about \$8K a year from the proceeds to councils of other Jurisdictions who send it to help their knights who have been victims of natural disasters like hurricanes in Puerto Rico, Florida, and the East Coast.

Thanks again for your support of the State Disaster Relief Fund and for all your do for your council, your parish, and the Order!

Recruit! and Retain!

Good luck on your upcoming Church Drives!

If each Knight asks 4 men a year to join the Order, and only one of them says yes, you'll still double the size of your council. If you don't ask, you don't grow.

Lent 2019

Lent is more than Fish Frys! I pray that this Lent is a period of Spiritual Growth for you Brothers and your families as we remember and celebrate our Lord's death and Resurrection.

Vivat Jesus!

Dick Burns,

State Warden

For we are His handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them. Eph 2:10

General Program Director

Bill Schmidt PSD



Brother Knights –

The final quarter of the year is almost upon us! I guess the old adage, “Time flies when you’re having fun” applies. For councils eyeing Star Council, it is time to shift into high gear! You should have your last recruiting drives planned, you must have members working with your Insurance Agent, and you need to initiate the new SP-7 Columbian Award application. Remember to include the Mandatory programs! Lastly, be sure that your program chairmen and respective leaders are up to date with their Knights of Columbus Safe Environment training. If you address all of these factors, you should have no problem in achieving Star Council. If you need any help, drop me a note or give me a call.

Our next Statewide Program is upon us. In the timeframe of March 18-24 all councils are encouraged to hold some sort of fundraiser with the proceeds going towards Special Olympics in honor of their 50th Anniversary. If you have a local Special Olympics presence, you are encouraged to donate there, otherwise make your donation to Special Olympics of Kentucky. Be sure to report your activity (nature of the fundraiser and amount donated) to myself and State Deputy, Cameron Peck.

The clock is ticking on State Awards as well. Please send your submissions for the following as soon as possible:

State Deputy/Program Director Award: March 31st

Dentinger Lifetime Service Award: April 1st

Knight of the Year: April 1st

Chaplain of the Year (one for each diocese): April 1st

Family of the Year: April 20th

Single Service Program Awards (Faith, Community, Family, and Life): April 20th

Consult the Program Guide if you need any help with these award submissions.

As always, remember to use every program as an opportunity to invite a fellow Catholic gentleman to join the Knights of Columbus. Invite a friend to join us and be part of the programs your council has to offer.

Fraternally,

Bill Schmidt, PSD, DM

General Program Director

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Brothers,

Amazon Smile is the charitable organization set up by Amazon to donate to charities like ours. I have set up an account with them. Now 0.5% of the purchase price of all items purchased will be donated to Knights of Columbus Charities of Kentucky Inc. The prices are the same as you get with the regular Amazon that we all use every day. So, please consider making your Amazon purchases using this link.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/61-1209474>

Vivat Jesus,

Cameron Peck

State Deputy

Scheduled Events

Check the State Council Calendar at www.kykofc.com for more details.

Mon Apr 1, 2019

7:30pm - 8:30pm 1st degree Ackerman Council 5453 7:30 PM Eastern Where: Burlington, KY 7:30 Sat Apr 6, 2019

10:30am - 8pm 4th Degree Exemplification in Murray 10:30 am Central Where: 401 N 12th St, Murray, KY 42071, USA

Tue Apr 9, 2019

6:45pm - 7:30pm Council 1315 1st degree 6:45 PM CENTRAL Where: Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 4754 Smallhouse Rd, Bowling Green, KY 42104, USA

Wed Apr 24, 2019

7:45pm - 8:30pm 1st Degree Ceremony Where: 62 Needmore St, Walton, KY 41094, USA